

# Lecture 8

- Differential Algebraic Equations
- Rosenbrock System Matrix
- Course Review

Suggested reading: T. Kailath *Linear Systems*, Chapter 8 (link available in the email).

# Differential Algebraic Equation

Models of physical systems are often on the form

$$0 = F(\dot{x}, x, t)$$

If  $x$  and  $\dot{x}$  enter linearly we get

$$E\dot{x} = Ax + f(t)$$

Linear **Differential Algebraic Equation (DAE)**

Any linear differential equation with higher order derivatives can be brought into this form by augmenting the state vector.

$E$  might not be invertible

## Example: Two Tank System

Flow:  $q$ , Volumes:  $V_1, V_2$ , Concentrations:  $u(t), x_1(t), x_2(t)$

Dynamics:

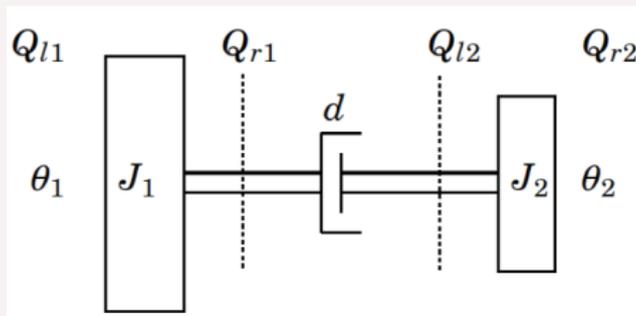
$$\begin{cases} V_1 \dot{x}_1 + qx_1 &= qu \\ V_2 \dot{x}_2 - qx_1 + qx_2 &= 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{V_1} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{V_2} & -\frac{1}{V_2} \end{bmatrix} qx + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{V_1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} qu$$

If  $V_1 = 0$  or  $V_2 = 0$ , the system becomes first order

Often simulation code, controller design methods etc have problems to treat such special cases easily

## Example: Rotating Masses



$$\begin{aligned} J_1 \dot{\omega}_1 &= Q_{l1} + Q_{r1} & \dot{\theta}_1 &= \omega_1 \\ J_2 \dot{\omega}_2 &= Q_{l2} + Q_{r2} & \dot{\theta}_2 &= \omega_2 \\ Q_{r1} &= d(\omega_2 - \omega_1) & Q_{r1} &= -Q_{l2} \end{aligned}$$

where  $Q_{l1}$  and  $Q_{r2}$  are known time functions and  $J_1$ ,  $J_2$  and  $d$  are parameters. How is e.g. the case  $J_2 = 0$  treated?

# Example

General Robot Model

$$J\ddot{x}(t) + D\dot{x}(t) + Kx(t) = f(t)$$

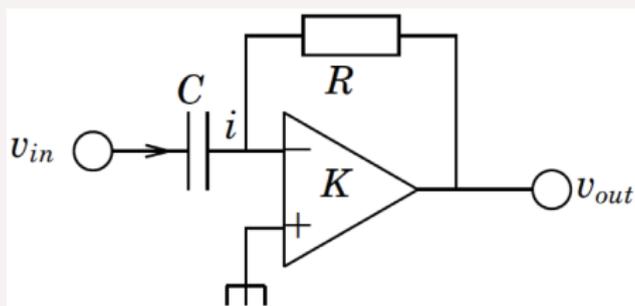
where  $J$ ,  $D$  and  $K$  are matrices

Often good to use physical variables and "natural" equations

Interconnection of subsystems

How can a general system of linear differential equations be transformed, and what is the most simple form?

## Example: A Differentiator



$$C\dot{v}_c = i$$
$$\frac{1}{K}v_{out} = -(v_{in} - v_c)$$
$$v_{out} = v_{in} - v_c - Ri$$

If  $1/K = 0$ , then  $v_{out} = -RC\dot{v}_{in}$ .

## Example continued

With

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} v_c & v_{out} & i \end{bmatrix}^T$$

we have

$$sE - A = \begin{bmatrix} sC & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1/K & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & R \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_{out}(s) = H(sE - A)^{-1}B v_{in}(s) = \frac{-RCs}{\frac{RC}{K}s + \frac{K+1}{K}} v_{in}(s)$$

With  $E$  singular, we can describe nonproper transfer functions

# General description of linear systems

Physical system described by linear differential equations, input  $u$ , output  $y$  and internal physical variables  $\zeta$

$$\begin{aligned}P(s)\zeta &= Q(s)u \\ y &= R(s)\zeta + W(s)u\end{aligned}$$

Matrix notation with **Rosenbrock system matrix**

$$\begin{pmatrix} P(s) & Q(s) \\ -R(s) & W(s) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\zeta \\ u \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

The transfer function is

$$G(s) = R(s)P^{-1}(s)Q(s) + W(s)$$

## Special cases

$$\text{Right Fraction } y = N_R D_R^{-1} u : P = \begin{pmatrix} D_R(s) & I \\ -N_R(s) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Left Fraction } y = D_L^{-1} N_L u : P = \begin{pmatrix} D_L(s) & N_L(s) \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{State Space : } P = \begin{pmatrix} sI - A & B \\ -C & D \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Descriptor : } P = \begin{pmatrix} sE - A & B \\ -C & D \end{pmatrix}$$

## Definition: Equivalence Transformations

Two systems are “equivalent” if there are unimodular matrices  $M_1(s)$ ,  $M_2(s)$  and polynomial matrices  $X(s)$  and  $Y(s)$  such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} M_1(s) & 0 \\ X(s) & I \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} P_1(s) & Q_1(s) \\ -R_1(s) & W_1(s) \end{pmatrix}}_{P_1} \begin{pmatrix} M_2(s) & Y(s) \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} P_2(s) & Q_2(s) \\ -R_2(s) & W_2(s) \end{pmatrix}}_{P_2}$$

It can be seen that this corresponds to natural transformations of variables and equations.

**Fact:** Any Rosenbrock system matrix is equivalent to one in state space form

$$\begin{pmatrix} P(s) & Q(s) \\ -R(s) & W(s) \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} sI - A & B \\ -C & J(s) \end{pmatrix}$$

# Controllability and Observability

From the transformation to state space form

$$\begin{pmatrix} M_1(s) & 0 \\ X(s) & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P(s) & Q(s) \\ -R(s) & W(s) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} M_2(s) & Y(s) \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} sI - A & B \\ -C & J(s) \end{pmatrix}$$

we see that Smith forms are related as

$$\begin{aligned} P(s) &\sim sI - A \\ \begin{pmatrix} P(s) & Q(s) \end{pmatrix} &\sim \begin{pmatrix} sI - A & B \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} P(s) \\ -R(s) \end{pmatrix} &\sim \begin{pmatrix} sI - A \\ -C \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Controllability  $\Leftrightarrow P, Q$  left coprime

Observability  $\Leftrightarrow P, R$  right coprime

# Irreducibility

A system

$$\mathcal{P} = \begin{pmatrix} P(s) & Q(s) \\ -R(s) & W(s) \end{pmatrix}$$

is called **irreducible** if  $P, Q$  are left coprime and  $P, R$  are right coprime

All state space descriptions equivalent to  $\mathcal{P}$  are then controllable and observable, and hence minimal.

Consequence: All irreducible systems having the same transfer function are equivalent.

# Poles and zeros

Transfer function on Smith-McMillan form

$$G(s) = U(s) \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \text{diag}(\epsilon_i(s)) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathcal{E}(s)} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \text{diag}(\psi_i(s)) & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m-r} \end{pmatrix}}_{\Psi_R(s)}^{-1} V(s)$$

$$\text{System Matrix: } \mathcal{P} = \begin{pmatrix} \Psi_R(s) & V(s) \\ -U(s)\mathcal{E}(s) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{E}(s) \end{pmatrix}$$

Any other irreducible system  $\mathcal{P} = \begin{pmatrix} P(s) & Q(s) \\ -R(s) & W(s) \end{pmatrix}$  having the same transfer function  $G(s)$  must be equivalent, therefore

The **poles** of  $G$  are given by  $\det P(s) = 0$

The **zeros** of  $G$  are given by the invariant polynomials of  $\mathcal{P}$

# Course review

Continuous time-varying linear (CT-LTV) system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t) \\ y(t) &= C(t)x(t) + D(t)u(t)\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

Discrete time-varying linear (DT-LTV) system

$$\begin{aligned}x(k+1) &= A(k)x(k) + B(k)u(k) \\ y(k) &= C(k)x(k) + D(k)u(k)\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

# Time-domain analysis: solutions and transition matrix

Solution to CT-LTV system: with transition matrix  $\Phi(t, t_0)$

$$x(t) = \Phi(t, t_0)x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, \sigma)B(\sigma)u(\sigma)d\sigma$$

$$y(t) = C(t)\Phi(t, t_0)x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t C(t)\Phi(t, \sigma)B(\sigma)u(\sigma)d\sigma + D(t)u(t)$$

Special cases for the transition matrix  $\Phi(t, t_0)$ :

- CT-LTI system:  $\Phi(t, t_0) = e^{A(t-t_0)}$ ;
- CT-LTV system with commutative  $A(t)$ : If  $A(t) \int_{t_0}^t A(\sigma)d\sigma = \int_{t_0}^t A(\sigma)d\sigma A(t)$  then  $\Phi(t, t_0) = \exp \left\{ \int_{t_0}^t A(\sigma)d\sigma \right\}$

The AJL formula:  $\det \Phi(t, t_0) = \exp \left( \int_{t_0}^t \text{tr}[A(\sigma)]d\sigma \right)$

# Time-domain analysis: stability

- For CT-LTI system: stability determined by the eigenvalues of  $A$ :  
A Hurwitz matrix (eigenvalues with negative real part) implies asymptotic stability;
- For CT-LTV system: stability is NOT determined by eigenvalues of  $A(t)$ .

Transition matrix conditions for stability  $x(t)$  of  $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$ :

**uniformly stable** if  $\exists \gamma > 0$

$$\|\Phi(t, t_0)\| \leq \gamma, \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0$$

**uniformly asymptotically stable** if it is uniformly stable and

$$\forall \delta > 0 : \exists T > 0 :$$

$$\|\Phi(t, t_0)\| \leq \delta, \quad \forall t \geq t_0 + T, \quad t_0 \geq 0$$

**uniformly exponentially stable** if  $\exists \gamma, \lambda > 0$  such that

$$\|\Phi(t, t_0)\| \leq \gamma e^{-\lambda(t-t_0)}, \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0$$

# Time-domain analysis: stability by Lyapunov function

1. There exists  $\eta > 0, \rho > 0, Q(t)$ :

$$\eta I \leq Q(t) \leq \rho I, \quad A^T(t)Q(t) + Q(t)A(t) + \dot{Q}(t) \leq 0$$

$\Rightarrow |x|^2 \leq \rho/\eta |x(t_0)|^2 \Rightarrow$  uniform stability

2. There exists  $\eta > 0, \rho > 0, \nu > 0, Q(t)$ :

$$\eta I \leq Q(t) \leq \rho I, \quad A^T(t)Q(t) + Q(t)A(t) + \dot{Q}(t) \leq -\nu I$$

$\Rightarrow |x|^2 \leq \frac{\rho}{\eta} e^{-\frac{\nu}{\rho}(t-t_0)} |x(t_0)|^2 \Rightarrow$  uniform exponential stability  
(equivalent to uniform asymptotic stability).

3. There exists  $\rho > 0, \nu > 0, Q(t), t_0$ :

$$\|Q(t)\| \leq \rho, \quad A^T(t)Q(t) + Q(t)A(t) + \dot{Q}(t) \leq -\nu I$$

$Q(t_0)$  not pos. semidef.  $\Rightarrow$  not uniform stable

Under controllability and observability conditions: Uniform BIBO stability (external stability)  $\Leftrightarrow$  uniform exponential stability (internal stability)

# Controllability and observability

## Controllability Gramian

$$W(t_0, t_f) = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \Phi(t_0, t) B(t) B(t)^T \Phi(t_0, t)^T dt$$

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## Observability Gramian:

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# Realization

Conditions for realizability (time factorization from weighting pattern):  
The weighting pattern  $G(t, \sigma)$  has a realization of dimension  $n$  if and only if there exist matrix functions  $H(t) \in \mathbf{R}^{p \times n}$ ,  $F(t) \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times m}$  such that  $G(t, \sigma) = H(t)F(\sigma) \quad \forall t, \sigma$ .

Conditions for minimal realisation: the realized linear system is controllable and observable.

Algorithms for realization: Gilbert realization (partial fraction expansion of transfer functions), Markov parameters etc.

# Least squares and minimum energy control

Least squares problem I: Minimize  $|Lu - v|$  with respect to  $u$ .

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Or equivalently

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Least squares problem II: Minimize  $|u|$  under the constraint  $Lu = v$ .

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# Frequency-domain analysis: polynomial matrices

Zeros and poles from MIMO transfer functions:

The Smith McMillan form

$$G(s) = P(s) \begin{pmatrix} \text{diag} \left( \frac{\epsilon_i(s)}{\psi_i(s)} \right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} Q(s)$$

where  $P, Q$  are unimodular matrices and  $\epsilon_i, \psi_i$  are without common factors.

Using the Smith McMillan form one can determine

- The roots of  $\epsilon_i(s)$  as the system (transmission) zeros
- The roots of  $\psi_i(s)$  as the system poles

(counted with multiplicities)

## Other topics

Some topics that we do not cover in the course

- Feedback control (state feedback or output feedback)
- State observation
- LQR/LQG optimal control
- Geometric theory in linear system

You will find them in the two textbooks (Rugh and Hespanha).

# Final exam

Problems in the final exam will be confined to those presented in the lecture slides.

Skip the following topics from lecture slides

- Time-varying transfer functions (for LTV/LTP systems), Lecture 2;
- Balanced realizations and bonus contents, Lecture 3;
- Feedback, well-posedness (for internal stability), Lecture 5;
- Polynomial interpolation/function approximation with LS methods, Lecture 6.

Final exam will be a 24-hour take-home exam. Date to be determined.

**THE END**