

Linear Systems I

Lecture 13

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Note: These slides only cover part of the discussions in the class. For further details, consult your in-class notes.

- Controllability of LTI systems

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \\ y = Cx + Du, \end{cases} \quad x(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- Can we steer the system states from every point in \mathbb{R}^n to every other point in \mathbb{R}^n in finite time? ((completely-state) controllable system)
 - test to evaluate controllability

$$\dot{x} = A(t)x + B(t)u, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Definition ((Completely-state) reachable system)

Given two times $t_1 > t_0 \geq 0$, starting from $x_0 = 0$,

$$\left\{ x_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n : \exists u(\cdot), x_1 = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \phi(t_1, \tau) B(\tau) u(\tau) d\tau \right\} = \mathbb{R}^n$$

Definition ((Completely-state) controllable system)

Given two times $t_1 > t_0 \geq 0$, starting from $x_0 \neq 0$,

$$\left\{ x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n : \exists u(\cdot), 0 = \phi(t_1, t_0)x_0 + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \phi(t_1, \tau) B(\tau) u(\tau) d\tau \right\} = \mathbb{R}^n$$

or

$$\left\{ x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n : \exists v(\cdot) = -u(\cdot), x_0 = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \phi(t_0, \tau) B(\tau) v(\tau) d\tau \right\} = \mathbb{R}^n$$

Review: controllability matrix for LTI systems

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Definition (Reachability and controllability gramians for given $t_1 > t_0 \geq 0$)

$$W_R(t_0, t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \phi(t_1, \tau) B(\tau) B(\tau)^\top \phi(t_1, \tau)^\top d\tau = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} e^{A(t_1-\tau)} B B^\top e^{A^\top(t_1-\tau)} d\tau =$$
$$\int_0^{t_1-t_0} e^{A\tau} B B^\top e^{A^\top\tau} d\tau,$$
$$W_C(t_0, t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \phi(t_0, \tau) B(\tau) B(\tau)^\top \phi(t_0, \tau)^\top d\tau = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} e^{A(t_0-\tau)} B B^\top e^{A^\top(t_0-\tau)} d\tau =$$
$$\int_0^{t_1-t_0} e^{-A\tau} B B^\top e^{-A^\top\tau} d\tau.$$

Theorem

Let

$$\mathcal{C} = [B \quad AB \quad A^2B \quad \dots \quad A^{n-1}B]_{n \times (np)}.$$

For any two time $t_1 > t_0 \geq 0$

$$\mathcal{R}[t_0, t_1] = \text{Im}W_R(t_0, t_1) = \text{Im}\mathcal{C} = \text{Im}W_C(t_0, t_1) = \mathcal{C}[t_0, t_1].$$

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad u \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

Theorem

$$\text{rank} [B \quad AB \quad \dots \quad A^{n-1}B] = m < n$$

$\exists T$ invertible s.t. $x = T\bar{x}$ transforms state equations to

$$\bar{A} = T^{-1}AT = \begin{bmatrix} A_c & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_u \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} B_c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_c \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}, \quad B_c \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}, \quad A_u \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times (n-m)}, \quad A_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (n-m)}.$$

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Corollary

- The pair (A_c, B_c) is controllable, i.e., $\text{rank} [B_c \quad A_c B_c \quad \dots \quad A_c^{m-1} B_c] = m$
- The controllable subspace of (\bar{A}, \bar{B}) is $\text{Im} \begin{bmatrix} I_{m \times m} \\ 0_{(n-m) \times m} \end{bmatrix}$

Controllable decomposition: example

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -6 & -11 & -6 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$\mathcal{C} = [B \quad AB \quad A^2B] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & -3 & 7 \\ -3 & 7 & -15 \end{bmatrix}$$

\mathcal{C} has only two linearly independent columns: $A^2B = -2B - 3AB$

Controllable decomposition

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \\ -3 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{A} = T^{-1}AT = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & -3 \end{array} \right], \quad \bar{B} = T^{-1}B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Controllable decomposition: transfer function

Theorem

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad u \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

$$y = Cx + D$$

$$\text{rank} [B \quad AB \quad \dots \quad A^{n-1}B] = m < n$$

$\exists T$ invertible s.t. $x = T\bar{x}$ transforms state equations to

$$\bar{A} = T^{-1}AT = \begin{bmatrix} A_c & A_{12} \\ 0_{(n-m) \times m} & A_u \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{B} = T^{-1}B = \begin{bmatrix} B_c \\ 0_{(n-m) \times p} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{C} = CT = [C_c \quad C_u], \quad \bar{D} = D$$

For (A,B,C,D) : $\hat{G}(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$.

Transfer function of two algebraically equivalent system is the same

$$\hat{G}(s) = \hat{\hat{G}}(s) = \bar{C}(sI - \bar{A})^{-1}\bar{B} + D = [C_c \quad C_u] \begin{bmatrix} (sI - A_c) & -A_{12} \\ 0 & (sI - A_u) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} B_c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + D$$

$$= [C_c \quad C_u] \begin{bmatrix} (sI - A_c)^{-1} & \times \\ 0 & (sI - A_u)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + D = C_c(sI - A_c)^{-1}B_c + D.$$

$$\hat{\hat{G}}(s) = C_c(sI - A_c)^{-1}B_c + D$$

Transfer function of an LTI system is equal to the transfer function of its controllable part.

Controllable decomposition: example

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -6 & -11 & -6 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} u$$
$$y = [1 \quad 1 \quad 0] x$$

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$$\bar{A} = T^{-1}AT = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & -3 \end{array} \right], \quad \bar{B} = T^{-1}B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{C} = CT = [1 \quad -2 \mid 0]$$

$$A_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{G}(s) = C_c(sI - A_c)^{-1}B_c + D = [1 \quad -2] \begin{bmatrix} s & 2 \\ -1 & s+3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{s-2}{(s+1)(s+2)}$$

Theorem (Eigenvector test)

(A, B) is controllable iff there exists no left eigenvector of A orthogonal to the columns of B , i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} v^* A = \lambda v^*, \\ v^* B = 0, \end{cases} \implies v = 0$$

or

$$\begin{cases} A^T v = \lambda v, \\ B^T v = 0, \end{cases} \implies v = 0$$

Theorem (Eigenvalue test)

(A, B) is controllable iff $\text{rank} [\lambda I - A \quad B] = n$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

or

(A, B) is controllable iff $\text{rank} [\lambda I - A \quad B] = n$ for all λ eigenvalue of A .

A part of proof of eigenvector PBH test for controllability

$$\left(\text{if } \begin{cases} v^* A = \lambda v^*, \\ v^* B = 0, \end{cases} \text{ then } v = 0 \right) \implies (A, B) \text{ controllable}$$

By contradiction: Let $(v^* A = \lambda v^*, v^* B = 0)$ be only true for $v = 0_{n \times 1}$. Assume (A, B) is not controllable, i.e., $\text{rank } \mathcal{C} < n$.

$$\exists T \text{ invertible: } \bar{A} = T^{-1} A T = \begin{bmatrix} A_c & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_u \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{B} = T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} B_c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Take any λ eigenvalue of A_u and its associated left eigenvector v_2 , i.e.,

$$v_2 \neq 0, \quad v_2^* A_u = \lambda v_2^*$$

Define $v := T^{-T} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$ (Note: $v^* = [0 \quad v_2^*] T^{-1} \neq 0$).

Next, we show that v is a left eigenvector of A (recall that $A = T \bar{A} T^{-1}$):

$$\begin{aligned} v^* A &= v^* (T \bar{A} T^{-1}) = [0 \quad v_2^*] T^{-1} \left(T \begin{bmatrix} A_c & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_u \end{bmatrix} T^{-1} \right) = \\ &= [0 \quad v_2^* A_u] T^{-1} = [0 \quad \lambda v_2^*] T^{-1} = \lambda v^* \end{aligned}$$

But

$$v^* B = [0 \quad v_2^*] T^{-1} \left(T \begin{bmatrix} B_c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = [0 \quad v_2^*] \begin{bmatrix} B_c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

this means that $\exists v \neq 0$ such that $(v^* A = \lambda v^*, v^* B = 0)$, which is a contradiction!

PBH test for controllability: example (Uncontrollable eigenvalues)

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -6 & -11 & -6 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} u$$

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C has only two linearly independent columns: $A^2B = -2B - 3AB \Rightarrow$

The system is not controllable

PBH eigenvector and eigen value controllability tests:

$$\lambda = \{-1, -2, -3\}$$

Corresponding left eigenvectors:

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1^T B \neq 0, \quad v_2^T B \neq 0$$

$$v_3^T B = [2 \quad 3 \quad 1] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{rank}[-1I - A \quad B] = \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 6 & 11 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = 3$$

$$\text{rank}[-2I - A \quad B] = \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 6 & 11 & 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = 3$$

$$\text{rank}[-3I - A \quad B] = \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -1 & 1 \\ 6 & 11 & 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = 2$$

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$\lambda_3 = -3$ is the uncontrollable eigenvalue

$$\bar{A} = T^{-1}AT = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & -3 \end{array} \right], \quad \bar{B} = T^{-1}B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The following material will be covered on next lecture.

Theorem (Lyapunov test for controllability)

Assume that all the eigenvalues of A have negative real parts. (A, B) is controllable iff there exists a unique $W > 0$ which solves

$$AW + WA^T = -BB^T$$

Moreover this solution is

$$W = \int_0^{\infty} e^{A^T \tau} B B^T e^{A \tau} d\tau$$

Proof:

Lyapunov stability theorem

Consider

$$\dot{x} = Ax, \quad x(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Theorem: The following five conditions are equivalent for the **LTI** system above

- 1 The system is asymptotically stable
- 2 The system is exponentially stable
- 3 All the eigenvalues of A have strictly negative real parts
- 4 For every $Q > 0$, \exists a unique solution P for the following Lyapunov equation

$$A^T P + PA = -Q$$

Moreover P is symmetric and positive definite.

- 5 $\exists P > 0$ for which the following Lyapunov matrix inequality holds

$$A^T P + PA < 0$$

- 6 For every matrix \bar{B} for which (A, \bar{B}) is controllable, there exists a unique solution $P > 0$ to the Lyapunov

$$AP + PA^T = -\bar{B}\bar{B}^T$$

Moreover, P is symmetric and positive definite, and $P = \int_0^\infty e^{A^T \tau} \bar{B}\bar{B}^T e^{A \tau} d\tau$.

Regulation via state-feedback control

Consider

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x(0) = x_0 \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Definition (Regulation problem)

Starting from nonzero initial conditions, force the state vector to zero as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Goal: We want to solve this problem using state feedback $u = -Kx$

$$\dot{x} = A_{cl}x, \quad A_{cl} = (A - BK) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, K \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p},$$

$$x(0) = x_0 \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

$$x(t) = e^{At}x_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)}Bu(\tau)d\tau$$

- A is Hurwitz, regulation can be solved using $u = 0$
- We want some performance
 - how fast
 - certain transient response
 - minimum energy,
 - etc

Goal: We want to solve this problem using state feedback $u = -Kx$

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$$x(0) = x_0 \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Regulation via full state feedback:

- fast with rate $\mu > 0$: place the eigenvalues such that $-\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \leq \mu$
- control over transient: place eigenvalues in certain locations

Theorem

Let (A, B) be controllable. For every $\mu > 0$, it is possible to find a state-feedback controller $u = -Ku$ that places all the eigenvalues of the closed-loop matrix $(A - BK)$ on the complex semi plain $\text{Re}[s] \leq -\mu$.

Theorem (Eigenvalue assignment)

Let (A, B) be controllable. Given any set of n complex numbers $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$, there exists a full-state feedback matrix K such that the closed-loop system matrix $(A - BK)$ has eigenvalues equal to these λ_i 's.