## 16.513 Control Systems

# Controllability and Observability (Chapter 6)

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#### A General Framework in State-Space Approach

Given an LTI system:

 $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}; \quad \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}$  (\*)

The system might be unstable or doesn't meet the required performance spec. How can we improve the situation?

The main approach: Let u= v- Kx (state feedback), then

 $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}); \qquad \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{x})$  $= (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{K})\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{v}; \qquad = (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{K})\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{v}$ 

The performance of the system is changed by matrix K. Questions:

- Is there a matrix K s.t. A-BK is stable?
- Can eig(A-BK) be moved to desired locations?

These issues are related to the controllability of (\*) 2

Main Result 1: The eigenvalues of A-BK can be moved to any desired locations iff the system (\*) is <u>controllable</u>. Another situation: the state x is not completely available. Only a linear combination of x, e.g., y = Cx, can be measured. How can we realize u = v-Kx?

A possible solution: build an observer to estimate x based on measurement of y.

Main result 2: The observer error (difference between the real x and estimated x) can be made arbitrarily small within arbitrarily short time period iff (\*) is <u>observable</u>.

We will arrive at these conclusions in Chapter 8. Before that, we need to prepare some tools and go through these fundamental problems: controllability and observability.<sub>3</sub>

#### **Controllability: Definition**

Consider the system

 $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}, \ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^{n}; \ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{R}^{p}.$ 

Controllability is a relationship between state and input.

Definition: The system, or the pair (A,B), is said to be controllable if for any initial state  $x(0)=x_0$  and any final state  $x_d$ , there exist a finite time T > 0 and an input u(t),  $t \in [0,T]$  such that

$$\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{T}) = \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{x}_0 + \int_0^{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{T}-\boldsymbol{\tau})}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\tau})d\boldsymbol{\tau} = \mathbf{x}_d$$
(1)

Comment: There may exist different T and u that satisfy (1). As a result, there may be different trajectories starting from  $x_0$  and end at  $x_d$ . Controllability does not care about the difference.

#### **Examples:** uncontrollable networks.



Observation:

- If x(0)=0, then x(t)=0 for all t > 0. The input u can do nothing about it.
- If the resistance is changed so that R<sub>1</sub>/R<sub>3</sub> ≠ R<sub>2</sub>/R<sub>4</sub>, then you can bring x to any desired value.



Observation:

- If x<sub>1</sub>(0)=x<sub>2</sub>(0)=0, then x<sub>1</sub>(t)=x<sub>2</sub>(t) for all t > 0. You cannot bring x(t) to any point in the plane.
- This situation can be changed by altering the parameters of the components.

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$$W_{c}(t) = \int_{0}^{t} e^{A\tau} BB' e^{A'\tau} d\tau = \int_{0}^{t} e^{A(t-\tau)} BB' e^{A'(t-\tau)} d\tau$$

**Equivalent conditions:** The following are equivalent conditions for the pair (A,B) to be controllable:

- 1)  $W_c(t)$  is nonsingular for every t > 0.
- 2)  $W_c(t)$  is nonsingular for at least one t > 0.
- 3) For every  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $v \neq 0$ ,  $v'e^{At}B$  is not identically zero.
- 4) The matrix  $G^c = [B \ AB \ A^2B \ ... \ A^{n-1}B]$  has full row rank, i.e.,  $\rho(G^c) = n$ .
- 5) The matrix  $M(\lambda) = [A \lambda I B]$  has full row rank at all  $\lambda \in C$ .
- 6) M( $\lambda$ ) has full row rank at every eigenvalues of A.

Note:  $M(\lambda)$  has full row rank if  $\lambda$  is not an eigenvalue of A. We only need to check the rank of  $M(\lambda)$  at eigenvalues of A.

Note : Of all the conditions, only 4) and 6) can be practically verified.

$$W_{c}(t) = \int_{0}^{t} e^{A\tau} BB' e^{A'\tau} d\tau$$

**Some observations**: To bring the state from  $x(0) = x_0$  to  $x(t_1) = x_d$ , a particular input is

$$\mathbf{u}(t) = -\mathbf{B'} \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{A'}(t_1 - t)} \mathbf{W}^{-1}(t_1) [\mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{A}t_1} \mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}_d]$$

 This is actually the minimal energy control, i.e., if there is another input w(t) to transfer x<sub>0</sub> to x<sub>d</sub> within the same time interval, then

$$\int_0^{t_1} w(\tau)' w(\tau) d\tau \ge \int_0^{t_1} u(\tau)' u(\tau) d\tau$$

- If (A,B) is controllable,  $W_c(t)^{-1}$  exists for all t > 0.
- ⇒ The transfer of the state can be accomplished in arbitrarily small time interval

Note that as  $t_1$  decrease, both  $\lambda_{\min}[W_c(t_1)]$  and  $\lambda_{\max}[W_c(t_1)]$  decrease. Then  $||W_c(t_1)^{-1}||$  increases.  $\Rightarrow$  larger magnitude of u is required. As  $t_1 \rightarrow 0$ ,  $||W_c(t_1)^{-1}|| \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $u(t) \rightarrow \infty$ .



Magnitude of u increases as  $t_1$  is decreased.

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**Example:** Determine the controllability for

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$
  
Approach 1:  $G^c = \begin{bmatrix} B & \mathbf{A}B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} & -\mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{b} & -\mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}$ 

 $\rho(G) < 2 = n$  for all possible a and b

The system not controllable whatever a and b are.

Approach 2: Check M( $\lambda$ )=[A- $\lambda$ I B] at  $\lambda$ =-1 M(-1)= $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$ 

> $\rho(M(-1)) < 2$  for all possible a and b Same conclusion on controllability

**Example:** 

 $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ Approach 1:  $G^c = [B \ AB] = \begin{bmatrix} a & -a \\ b & -2b \end{bmatrix}$   $detG^c = -ab, \quad \begin{cases} \rho(G^c) = 2, & \text{if } a \neq 0 \text{ and } b \neq 0 \\ \rho(G^c) < 2, & \text{if either } a = 0 \text{ or } b = 0 \end{cases}$ The system is controllable if  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ .
Approach 2: Check M( $\lambda$ )=[A- $\lambda$ I B] at  $\lambda$ =-1  $M(-1) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & -1 & b \end{bmatrix}, \quad M(-2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 & b \end{bmatrix},$   $\rho(M(-1)) = \rho(M(-2)) = 2 \quad \text{iff } a \neq 0 \text{ and } b \neq 0$ Same conclusion on controllability

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## A general SI system (diagonalizable)

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0\\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0\\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots\\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

The above system is controllable if and only if the eigenvalues are distinct and none of the  $b_i$ 's is zero

Example:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & -\beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$G^c = \begin{bmatrix} B & \mathbf{A}B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & \alpha b_1 - \beta b_2 \\ b_2 & \beta b_1 + \alpha b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\det G^c = \beta(b_1^2 + b_2^2), \quad \begin{cases} \rho(G^c) = 2, & \text{if } \beta \neq 0 \text{ and } b_1^2 + b_2^2 \neq 0 \\ \rho(G^c) < 2, & \text{if either } \beta = 0 \text{ or } b_1^2 + b_2^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

The system is controllable if  $\beta \neq 0$  and  $(b_1, b_2) \neq (0, 0)$ 

Theorem: Consider the pair

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & A_m \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \\ \vdots \\ B_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose that the eigenvalues of  $A_i$  and those of  $A_j$  are disjoint for  $i \neq j$ . Then (A,B) is controllable iff  $(A_i,B_i)$  is controllable for all i.

Theorem: Let  $\rho(B) = p$ . The pair (A,B) is controllable iff

 $G^{c}_{n-p+1}$ : = [B AB A<sup>2</sup>B ... A<sup>n-p</sup>B]

has full row rank. This is equivalent to  $G^{c}_{n-p+1}G^{c}_{n-p+1}$  being nonsingular, and to  $G^{c}_{n-p+1}G^{c}_{n-p+1} > 0$  (positive definite.)

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Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
n=4, p=2.  $\rho(B)=2=p$ .  
$$G_{n-p+1}^{c} = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^{2}B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
b<sub>1</sub> b<sub>2</sub> Ab<sub>1</sub> Ab<sub>2</sub> A<sup>2</sup>b<sub>1</sub> A<sup>2</sup>b<sub>2</sub>

The first 4 columns are LI.  $\Rightarrow \rho(G^{c}_{n-p+1})=4 = n$  $\Rightarrow (A,B)$  controllable

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Example:  

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad n=4, p=2. \ \rho(B)=2.$$

$$G_{n-p+1}^{c} = \begin{bmatrix} B \ AB \ A^{2}B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 9 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b_{1} \quad b_{2} \ Ab_{1} \ Ab_{2} \ A^{2}b_{1} \ A^{2}b_{2}$$

The first 3 columns are LI. The 4<sup>th</sup> is dependent on the first 3.

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 & Ab_1 & A^2b_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$
 has full row rank

Hence (A,B) is controllable.

## Effect of equivalence transformation

Recall that equivalence transformation can make the structure cleaner and simplify analysis.

Question:

Does similarity transformation retain the controllability property?

Theorem: The controllability property is invariant under any equivalence transformation

**Proof:** Consider (A,B) with  $G^c = [B AB A^2B \dots A^{n-1}B]$ . Let the transformation matrix be P. Then (A,B)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (PAP<sup>-1</sup>, PB)

$$\overline{G}^{c} = [\overline{B} \ \overline{AB} \cdots \overline{A}^{n-1}\overline{B}]$$

$$= [PB \ PAP^{-1}PB \cdots PA^{n-1}P^{-1}PB]$$

$$= [PB \ PAB \cdots PA^{n-1}B]$$

$$= P[B \ AB \cdots A^{n-1}B]$$

$$= PG^{c}$$
Since P is nonsingular,  

$$\rho(\overline{G}^{c}) = \rho(G^{c})$$

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## **Next Problem: Observability**

## **Observability:** A dual concept

Consider an n-dimensional, p-input, q-output system:

 $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}; \quad \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}$  $\mathbf{u} \implies \mathbf{System} \implies \mathbf{y}$ 

Assume that we know the input and can measure the output, but has no access to the state.

Definition: The system, is said to be observable if for any unknown initial state x(0), there exists a finite  $t_1 > 0$ such that x(0) can be exactly evaluated over  $[0,t_1]$  from the input u and the output y. Otherwise the system is said to be unobservable.

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#### Duality between controllability and observability

**Theorem of duality:** The pair (A,B) is controllable if and only if  $(A_1, C_1) = (A',B')$  is observable.

 $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$   $\begin{array}{c} \text{Dual systems} & \dot{z} = A_1 z = A' z \\ & & \\$ 

#### Equivalent conditions for observability:

1) The pair (A,C) is observable.

- 2)  $W_0(t)$  is nonsingular for some t > 0.
- 3) The observability matrix

$$G^{\circ} = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

has full column rank, i.e.,  $\rho(G^{o}) = n$ .

4) The matrix

$$\mathbf{M}^{\circ}(\lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

has full column rank at every eigenvalue of A.

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Theorem: The pair (A,C) is observable if and only if

$$G_{n-q+1}^{\circ} = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-q} \end{bmatrix}$$

has full column rank, where  $q=\rho(C)$ .

Theorem: The obserbability property is invariant under any equivalence transformation;



Theorem: Consider the pair

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & A_m \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 & C_2 & \cdots & C_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose that the eigenvalues of  $A_i$  and those of  $A_j$  are disjoint for  $.i \neq j$ . Then (A,C) is observable iff  $(A_i,C_i)$  is observable for all i.

So far, we have learned

- Controllability
- Observability

Next, we will study

• Canonical decomposition: to divide the state space into controllable/uncontrollable,

observable/unobservable subspaces

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#### **Canonical Decomposition**

Consider an LTI system,

 $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}$ 

Let z = Px, where P is nonsingular, then

 $\dot{z} = \overline{A}z + \overline{B}u, \quad y = \overline{C}z + \overline{D}u$ where  $\overline{A} = PAP^{-1}, \quad \overline{B} = PB, \quad \overline{C} = CP^{-1}, \quad \overline{D} = D$ 

Recall that under an equivalence transformation, all properties, such as stability, controllability and observability are preserved.

We also have  $\overline{G}^{c} = PG^{c}$ ,  $\overline{G}^{o} = G^{o}P^{-1}$ 

Next we are going to use equivalence transformation to obtain certain specific structures which reflect controllability and observability.

#### **Controllability decomposition**

Recall G<sup>c</sup>=[B AB ... A<sup>n-1</sup>B]. Suppose that  $\rho(G^c) = n_1 < n$ . Then G<sup>c</sup> has at most  $n_1$  LI columns. They form a basis for the range space of G<sup>c</sup>.

Theorem: Suppose that  $\rho(G^c) = n_1 < n$ . Let Q be a nonsingular matrix whose first  $n_1$  columns are LI columns of G<sup>c</sup>. Let P=Q<sup>-1</sup>. Then

$$\overline{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\mathbf{A}}_{c} & \overline{\mathbf{A}}_{12} \\ 0 & \overline{\mathbf{A}}_{\overline{c}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \overline{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\mathbf{B}}_{c} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \overline{\mathbf{A}}_{c} \in \mathbf{R}^{n_{1} \times n_{1}}, \overline{\mathbf{B}}_{c} \in \mathbf{R}^{n_{1} \times p_{1}}, \\ \overline{\mathbf{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\mathbf{C}}_{c} & \overline{\mathbf{C}}_{\overline{c}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Moreover, the pair  $(\overline{A}_c, \overline{B}_c)$  is controllable and  $\overline{C}_c(sI - \overline{A}_c)^{-1}\overline{B}_c + D = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$ 

See page 159 for the proof.

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#### **Discussion:**

After state transformation, the equivalent system is

$$\dot{z}_{1} = \overline{A}_{c} z_{1} + \overline{A}_{12} z_{2} + \overline{B}_{c} u$$
$$\dot{z}_{2} = \overline{A}_{\overline{c}} z_{2}$$

The input u has no effect on  $z_2$ . This part of state is uncontrollable. The first sub-system is controllable if  $z_2=0$ . If  $z_2\neq 0$ , then

$$z_{1}(t_{1}) = e^{\overline{A}_{c}t_{1}}z_{10} + \int_{0}^{t_{1}} e^{\overline{A}_{c}(t_{1}-\tau)}\overline{B}_{c}u(\tau)d\tau + \int_{0}^{t_{1}} e^{\overline{A}_{c}(t_{1}-\tau)}\overline{A}_{12}z_{2}(\tau)d\tau$$
$$z_{2}(\tau) = e^{\overline{A}_{c}\tau}z_{20}$$

Given a desired value for  $z_1$ , say  $z_{1d}$ . If we let

$$\mathbf{v}(t_1) = \int_0^{t_1} \mathbf{e}^{\overline{\mathbf{A}}_c(t_1-\tau)} \overline{\mathbf{A}}_{12} \mathbf{e}^{\overline{\mathbf{A}}_c\tau} \mathbf{z}_{20} d\tau, \quad \overline{\mathbf{W}}_c(t_1) = \int_0^{t_1} \mathbf{e}^{\overline{\mathbf{A}}_c\tau} \overline{\mathbf{B}}_c \overline{\mathbf{B}}_c' \mathbf{e}^{\overline{\mathbf{A}}_c'\tau} d\tau$$
  
and  $\mathbf{u}(t) = -\overline{\mathbf{B}}_c' \mathbf{e}^{\overline{\mathbf{A}}_c'(t_1-t)} \overline{\mathbf{W}}_c^{-1}(t_1) [\mathbf{e}^{\overline{\mathbf{A}}_c t_1} \mathbf{z}_{10} + v(t_1) - \mathbf{z}_{1d}]$ 

Then you can verify that  $z_1(t_1)=z_{1d}$ .

Example: 
$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$
  
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} n=3, p=2, n-p+1=2. \\ \text{Only need to check } G^{c}_{2} \end{bmatrix}$   
 $G_{2}^{c} = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \rho(G_{2}^{c}) = 2 < 3, \quad \text{uncontrollable}$   
Let  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1} & b_{2} & q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P = Q^{-1} \quad \begin{array}{c} q \text{ is picked to make} \\ Q \text{ nonsingular} \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\overline{A} = PAQ = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{A}_{c} & \overline{A}_{12} \\ 0 & \overline{A}_{c} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \overline{B} = PB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{B}_{c} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Note: the last column of Q is different from the book (page 161). As a result,  $\bar{A}_{12}$  is different from that in the book, which is 0.

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## **Observability decomposition** (follows from duality)

Recall 
$$G^{\circ} = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem: Suppose that  $\rho(G^o) = n_1 < n$ . Let P be a nonsingular matrix whose first  $n_1$  rows are LI rows of  $G^o$ . Then

$$\overline{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\mathbf{A}}_{o} & \mathbf{0} \\ \overline{\mathbf{A}}_{21} & \overline{\mathbf{A}}_{\overline{o}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \overline{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\mathbf{B}}_{o} \\ \overline{\mathbf{B}}_{\overline{o}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \overline{\mathbf{A}}_{o} \in \mathbf{R}^{n_{1} \times n_{1}}, \overline{\mathbf{B}}_{o} \in \mathbf{R}^{n_{1} \times p} \\ \overline{\mathbf{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\mathbf{C}}_{o} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \overline{\mathbf{C}}_{o} \in \mathbf{R}^{q \times n_{1}}$$

Moreover, the pair  $(\overline{A}_o, \overline{C}_o)$  is observable and  $\overline{C}_o(sI - \overline{A}_o)^{-1}\overline{B}_o + D = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$ 

Discussion: After state transformation, the equivalent system is

$$\dot{z}_{1} = A_{o}z_{1} + B_{o}u$$

$$\dot{z}_{2} = \overline{A}_{21}z_{1} + \overline{A}_{\overline{o}}z_{2} + \overline{B}_{\overline{o}}u,$$

$$y = \overline{C}_{o}z_{1} + Du$$

$$z_{2} \text{ may be affected by } z_{1}$$
but has no effect on y or  $z_{1}$ 

$$z_{2} \text{ may be affected by } z_{1}$$

#### **Summary for today:**

- Controllability
- Observability
- Canonical decomposition
  - Controllable/uncontrollable
  - Observable/unobservable

#### **Next Time:**

- · Controllability and observability continued
  - Controllability/observability decomposition
  - Minimal realization
  - Conditions for Jordan form conditions
  - Parallel results for discrete-time systems
  - Controllability after sampling
- State feedback design (introduction)

## Problem Set #9

1. Is the following state equation controllable? observable?

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u, \qquad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x$$

If not controllable, reduce it to a controllable one; If not observable, reduce it to an observable one.

2. Is the following state equation controllable? observable?

 $\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} u, \qquad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x$ 

If not controllable, reduce it to a controllable one; If not observable, reduce it to an observable one.