# Signals and Systems Lecture 8: State Space Representation 

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## State Space Representation

- Previously we learnt that for a LTI system with $y(t)$ : output signal, $u(t)$ : input signal, and $h(t)$ impulse response

$$
y(t)=h(t) * u(t) \rightsquigarrow Y(s)=H(s) U(s)
$$

- This representation of the system only express I/O relation
- It does not give us internal specification of the system.
- State space representation not only provide us information on I/O but also gives us good view on internal specification of the system
- States of a system at time $t_{0}$ includes min required information to express the system situation at time $t_{0}$
- They are first degree equations
- State space representation of LTI system

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \dot{X}(t)=A X(t)+B U(t) \text { state equations } \\
& Y(t)=C X(t)+D U(t) \text { output equations }
\end{aligned}
$$

- $X \in R^{n}$ : state vector
- $U \in R^{m}$ : input vector
- $Y \in R^{p}$ output vector
- $A^{n \times n}$ : System Matrix
- $B^{n \times m}$ : input matrix
- $C^{p \times n}$ : output matrix
- $D^{p \times m}$ : coupling matrix
- Number of state usually equals to degree of the system
- It usually equals to number of active elements in the system (\# of capacitors and inductors in RLC circuits)
- However in some cases like having cut-set of inductors and loop of capacitors degree of the system would be less than \# of active elements
- One could choose number of the states greater than $n$ in such case some modes are not observable or controllable
- Set of states is not unique for a system


## Block Diagram of State Space Representation



## Solving State Equations by UL

- Assuming $x$ is causal $\rightsquigarrow$ we are using UL
- $\dot{x}=A x+B u \stackrel{U L}{\Leftrightarrow} s X(s)-x(0)=A X(s)+B U(s)$
- $X(s)=(s I-A)^{-1} x(0)+(s I-A)^{-1} B U(s)$
- Let us define $\phi(t)=L^{-1}\left\{(s l-A)^{-1}\right\}$ : Transition Matrix
- $x(t)=\underbrace{\phi(t) x(0)}_{\text {ZIR }}+\underbrace{\int_{0}^{t} \phi(\tau) B u(t-\tau) d \tau}_{\text {ZSR }}$
- For LTI systems $\phi(t)=e^{A t}$


## Methods to Find Transition Matrix

1. $\phi(t)=L^{-1}(s l-A)^{-1}$

- Example: $A=\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 1 \\ -6 & -5\end{array}\right]$
- $\phi(t)=L^{-1}(s l-A)^{-1}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}3 e^{-2 t}-2 e^{-3 t} & e^{-2 t}-e^{-3 t} \\ -6 e^{-2 t}+6 e^{-3 t} & -2 e^{-2 t}+3 e^{-3 t}\end{array}\right]$
- For large $A$, finding inverse matrix is time consuming and complicated


## Methods to Find Transition Matrix

2. Approximate by Infinite Power Series

- The transition matrix is system specification and input does not affect on it:

$$
\begin{align*}
\dot{x} & =A x(t)  \tag{1}\\
x(t) & =\Phi(t) x(0) \tag{2}
\end{align*}
$$

- Let us represent transition matrix by an infinite power series:

$$
\begin{equation*}
x(t)=\left(k_{0}+k_{1} t+k_{2} t^{2}+\ldots\right) x_{0} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

- $\dot{x}(t)=\left(k_{1}+2 k_{2} t+\ldots\right) x_{0}$
- $\therefore\left(k_{1}+2 k_{2} t+3 k_{3} t^{2}+\ldots\right) x_{0}=A\left(k_{0}+k_{1} t+\ldots\right) x_{0}$
- $k_{1}=A k_{0}, k_{2}=A \frac{k_{1}}{2}, k_{3}=A \frac{k_{2}}{3}$
- Substitute $t=0$ in (3): $k_{0}=1$
- $k_{0}=I, k_{1}=A, k_{2}=\frac{A^{2}}{2!}, k_{3}=\frac{A^{3}}{3!}$
- $\phi(t)=e^{A t}=1+A t+A^{2} \frac{t^{2}}{2!}+\ldots$


## Methods to Find Transition Matrix

## 3. By Cayley Hamilton Theorem

- Reminder: Eigne Value of Matrix $A$ is a scalar value $\lambda$ s.t.
- $A v=\lambda v$
- where $v$ is a vector named Eigne vector
- To find eigne values:
- $|\lambda I-A|=0 \rightsquigarrow \lambda^{n}+a_{n-1} \lambda^{n-1}+\ldots+a_{1} \lambda+a_{0}=0$
- The above equation is named characteristic equation of matrix $A$
- Considering Cayley Hamilton Theorem result in [1]:

$$
e^{A t}=a_{0}(t) I+a_{1}(t) A+\ldots+a_{n-1}(t) A^{n-1}
$$

- Eigne vector of matrix $A$ is eigne vector ofe ${ }^{A t}$

$$
\left.\begin{array}{rl}
A v_{i} & =\lambda_{i} v_{i} \\
A^{2} v_{i} & =\lambda_{i}^{2} v_{i} \\
\vdots \\
A^{n} v_{i} & =\lambda_{i}^{n} v_{i}
\end{array}\right\} \Rightarrow e^{\lambda_{i} t} v_{i}=\left(a_{0}(t) I+a_{1}(t) \lambda_{i}+a_{2}(t) \lambda_{i}^{2}+\ldots+a_{n-1}(t) \lambda^{n-1}\right) v_{i}
$$

- By assuming $n$ distinct eigne values and solving $n$ equations all coefficients $a_{i}(t)$ are obtained


## Example

- $A=\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 1 \\ -6 & -5\end{array}\right]$
- $\lambda_{1}=-2, \lambda_{2}=-3$
- $e^{-2 t}=a_{0}(t)-2 a_{1}(t)$
- $e^{-3 t}=a_{0}(t)-3 a_{1}(t)$
- $a_{1}(t)=e^{-2 t}-e^{-3 t}$
- $a_{0}(t)=3 e^{-2 t}-2 e^{-3 t}$
- $\phi(t)=e^{A t}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}3 e^{-2 t}-2 e^{-3 t} & e^{-2 t}-e^{-3 t} \\ -6 e^{-2 t}+6 e^{-3 t} & -2 e^{-2 t}+3 e^{-3 t}\end{array}\right]$


## Defining Transfer Function from State Space Eq.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\dot{x} & =A x+B u \\
y & =C x+D u
\end{aligned}
$$

- Transfer fcn: $H(s)=\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)}$
- Transfer fan is ZSR:
$s X(s)=A X(s)+B U(s) \rightsquigarrow X(s)=(s I-A)^{-1} B U(s)$
- $Y(s)=\left[C(s l-A)^{-1} B+D\right] U(s)$
- $H(s)=C(s l-A)^{-1} B+D=C \frac{\operatorname{adj}(s l-A)}{\operatorname{det}(s l-A)} B+D$
- Poles of a system are eigne values of matrix $A$
- BUT all eigne values of $A$ are not poles of the system (due to zero-pole cancelation)
- If an unstable poles is canceled by a zero the system is not internally stable anymore


## State Space Realizations

- Several state space realization can be obtained from a transfer fcn. two of them are introduced here.

1. Controllable Canonical Form

- Consider $H(s)=\frac{b_{m} s^{m}+b_{m-1} s^{m-1}+\ldots+b_{0}}{s^{n}+a_{n-1} s^{n-1}+\ldots+a_{0}}=\frac{b(s)}{a(s)}, n>m$
- If $n=m$ then we can define $H(s)=b_{n}+\frac{\bar{b}_{m} s^{m}+\bar{b}_{m-1} s^{m-1}+\ldots+\bar{b}_{0}}{s^{n}+a_{n-1} s^{n-1}+\ldots+a_{0}}$
- Let us define a axillary fon $M(s)$
- $\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)}=\frac{Y(s)}{M(s)} \cdot \frac{M(s)}{U(s)}=b(s) \cdot \frac{1}{a(s)}$
- $M(s) a(s)=U(s) \rightsquigarrow M(s)\left(s^{n}+a_{n-1} s^{n-1}+\ldots+a_{0}\right)=U(s)$
- $m^{n}(t)=-a_{n-1} m^{n-1}(t)-\ldots-a_{0} m(t)+u(t)$
- $Y(s)=b(s) M(s) \rightsquigarrow y(t)=b_{m} m(t)^{m}+\ldots+b_{1} \dot{m}(t)+b_{0} m(t)$


## Controllable Canonical Form



- (assume $m=n-1)$ By defining outitput of integrators as states:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\dot{x}_{n-1} & =x_{n} \\
\dot{x}_{n} & =-a_{0} x_{1}-a_{1} x_{2}-\ldots-a_{n-1} x_{n}+u \\
y & =b_{0} x_{1}+b_{1} x_{2}+\ldots+b_{n-1} x_{n}
\end{aligned}
$$

$\checkmark A=\left[\begin{array}{ccccc}0 & 1 & \ldots & \ldots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \ldots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \ldots & 1 \\ -a_{0} & -a_{1} & \cdots & \ldots & -a_{n-1}\end{array}\right], B=\left[\begin{array}{c}0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1\end{array}\right]$,

$$
C=\left[\begin{array}{lllll}
b_{0} & b_{1} & \ldots & \ldots & b_{n-1}
\end{array}\right], D=0
$$

- Example: $H(s)=\frac{s^{3}+6 s^{2}+5 s+2}{s^{3}+7 s^{2}+3 s+1}$


## 2. Diagonal Form and Jordan Form

- Consider characteristic equation has $n$ separate roots: $H(s)=\frac{\beta_{1}}{s-P_{1}}+\frac{\beta_{2}}{s-P_{2}}+\frac{\beta_{3}}{s-P_{3}}+\ldots+\frac{\beta_{n}}{s-P_{n}}$

$$
\therefore A=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
P_{1} & \ldots & \ldots & 0 \\
0 & P_{2} & \ldots & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
0 & \ldots & \ldots & P_{n}
\end{array}\right], B=\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
1 \\
\vdots \\
1
\end{array}\right]
$$

$$
C=\left[\begin{array}{llll}
\beta_{1} & \beta_{2} & \ldots & \beta_{n}
\end{array}\right], D=0
$$

## 2. Diagonal Form and Jordan Form

- If there are frequent poles, for example if there are three similar poles $: H(s)=\frac{\beta_{1}}{s-P_{1}}+\frac{\beta_{2}}{\left(s-P_{2}\right)^{3}}+\frac{\beta_{3}}{\left(s-P_{2}\right)^{2}}+\frac{\beta_{4}}{s-P_{2}}$, matrices $A, B$, and $C$ are modified as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
P_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & P_{2} & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & P_{2} & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & P_{2}
\end{array}\right], B=\left[\begin{array}{l}
1 \\
0 \\
0 \\
1
\end{array}\right] \\
& C=\left[\beta_{1} \beta_{2} \beta_{3} \beta_{4}\right], D=0
\end{aligned}
$$

- Example: $H(s)=\frac{s^{2}+3 s+1}{(s+1)^{2}(s+3)}$
W. L. Brogan, Modern Control Theory (3rd Edition). Prentice Hall, 1991.

