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CONTROLLED INVARIANT AND CONTROLLABILITY SUBSPACES

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1. Controlled invariant and controllability subspaces

Linear control system: Input/output behavior described by a state space model

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax + Bu & \text{(Input/state behaviour)} \\ y = Cx & \text{(State/output behaviour)} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Im}(M) = \{ Mx, x \text{ arbitrary} \}, \text{ker}(M) = \{ x : Mx = 0 \}$$

Definition 1 (i) $\text{Im}(B, AB, A^2B, \dots) =: \mathcal{R}_0$ is called the maximal controllable subspace of (1). (ii) The maximal controllable subspace of a system of the form $\dot{x} = (A-BF)x + BGu$ (2) is called a controllable subspace of (1) and denoted by \mathcal{R} .

Lemma 1. Let \mathcal{R}_0 be the maximal controllable subspace of (1). Then: $x(0) \in \mathcal{R}_0$ implies $x(t) \in \mathcal{R}_0$ for all t , if $x(t)$ is solution of $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu(t)$, for any (continuous) control function $u(t)$.

Definition 2. A linear subspace \mathcal{V} of the state space

is called controlled invariant with respect to (1) if:

To any $x_0 \in \mathcal{V}$ there exists a control function $u(t)$ such that the solution $x(t)$ of the initial value problem

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu(t), x(0) = x_0$$

satisfies $x(t) \in \mathcal{V}$ for all t .

Remark: Any controllable subspace is controlled invariant

Theorem 1. \mathcal{V} is controlled invariant iff either one of the following two conditions hold.

(i) \exists matrix F such that $(A-BF)\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$

(ii) $A\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{V} + \text{Im}(B)$.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow controlled invariance: $(A-BF)\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{V} \Rightarrow e^{(A-BF)t} \mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$ for all t

Controlled invariance implies (ii): $x(t) \in \mathcal{V}$ for all $t \Rightarrow \dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t) \in \mathcal{V}$ for all t , in particular $Ax_0 + Bu(0) \in \mathcal{V}$.

Theorem 2. Every linear subspace of the state space contains a maximal controlled invariant subspace. Every controlled invariant subspace contains a maximal controllable subspace.

standard notation: \mathcal{V}^* = maximal controlled invariant subspace contained in $\{x: Cx=0\}$. \mathcal{R}^* = maximal controllable subspace contained in \mathcal{V}^* .

$x_0 \in \mathcal{V}^*$ iff there exists a solution of $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu(t)$ for some control function $u(t)$ satisfying $x(0) = x_0$, $Cx(t) = 0$ for all t .

Theorem 3. \mathcal{R}^* is the maximal controllable subspace of a system $\dot{x} = (A-BF)x + BGu$ where F, G satisfy $(A-BF)\mathcal{V}^* \subseteq \mathcal{V}^*$, $\text{Im}(BG) = \mathcal{V}^* \cap \text{Im}(B)$. (3)

Conversely if F, G are such that (3) holds, then the maximal controllable subspace of the system (2) is equal to the maximal controllable subspace contained in \mathcal{V}^* .

If a new coordinate system is introduced in the state space such that $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$, $\mathcal{R}^* = \{(x_1, 0, 0)\}$, $\mathcal{V}^* = \{(x_1, x_2, 0)\}$

$\text{Im} B = \mathcal{B}' \oplus \mathcal{B}''$; $\mathcal{B}' \subseteq \mathcal{R}^*$, $\mathcal{B}'' \subseteq \{0, 0, x_3\}$

then the system equation can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} \\ 0 \\ B_{22} \end{pmatrix} u, \quad y = (0, 0, C_3)x = C_3 x_3$$

Theorem 4 (Input/output normal form of a linear system). The given system (1) is equivalent to a system of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ 0 & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$y = (0, 0, C_3)x$$

Hence its input/output behavior is completely described by the subsystem

$$\dot{x}_3 = A_{33}x_3 + B_{22}u_2, \quad y = C_3x_3$$

which has this property: The largest controlled invariant subspace contained in $\{x_3: C_3x_3=0\}$ is $[0]$.

Furthermore: $\dot{x}_1 = A_{11}x_1 + B_{11}u_1$ is controllable

Definition 3. $\Sigma(s) := \begin{pmatrix} A-sI & B \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, s being a scalar variable, is called the Rosenbrock-matrix of the linear system $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$. Normal rank of the Rosenbrock-matrix: Rank, considered as a matrix of rational functions. s Transmission zero if $\text{rank } \Sigma(s) < \text{normal rank}$.

Theorem 5: (i) Equivalent systems have the same transmission zeros. (ii) If the system is written in the normal form of Theorem 4 then the transmission zeros become the eigenvalues of the matrix A_{22} .

For a single input/single output system which is observable and controllable the transmission zeros are the zeros of the transfer function $H(s)$.

Theorem 6. Assume that the system is stabilizable. Then there exists a unique maximal subspace \mathcal{V}^- of \mathcal{V}^* having this property: \exists a matrix F such

that

$$G(A-BF) \subset \mathbb{C}^-, \quad (A-BF)\mathcal{V}^- \subseteq \mathcal{V}^-.$$