

Dynamic Systems Theory-State-space Control - Lecture 16 *

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1 Summary of Controllability and Observability

$$\dot{x} = A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t)$$

$$y = c(t)x(t)$$

$$x \sim \dim n, y \sim \dim m, u \sim \dim p$$

$$W(t_0, t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \Phi(t_0, t)B(t)B(t)^T \Phi(t_0, t)^T dt$$

$$M(t_0, t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \Phi(t, t_0)^T C(t)^T C(t) \Phi(t, t_0) dt$$

These grammians tell the whole story.

The system is controllable $\Leftrightarrow W(t_0, t_1)$ is invertible.

The system is observable $\Leftrightarrow M(t_0, t_1)$ is invertible.

For the constant coefficient case, the relevant objects are

$(B, AB, \dots, A^{n-1}B)$ controllability: rank n

$(C, CA, \dots, CA^{n-1})^T$ observability: rank n

2 Discrete time case

$$x(k+1) = A(k)x(k) + B(k)u(k)$$

$$y(k) = C(k)x(k)$$

*This work is being done by various members of the class of 2012

$$\begin{aligned}
x(N+1) &= A(N)x(N) + B(N)u(N) \\
&= \underbrace{A(N) \dots A(1)}_{\Phi(N,1)} x(1) + A(N) \dots A(2)B(1)u(1) + \dots + B(N)u(N) \\
&= \Phi(N,1)x(1) + \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \Phi(N, j+1)B(j)u(j) + B(N)u(N)
\end{aligned}$$

2.1 Discrete Time Theorem

Discrete Time Theorem: There exists a control sequence $u(1), \dots, u(N)$ that steers the state of

$$x(k+1) = A(k)x(k) + B(k)u(k)$$

from $x(t) = x_0$ to $x(N) = x_1$ if and only if

$$x_1 - \Phi(N-1, 1)x_0$$

belongs to the range space of

$$W = \sum_{j=1}^{N-2} \Phi(N-1, j+1)B(j)B(j)^T \Phi(N-1, j+1)^T + B(N-1)B(N-1)^T$$

Proof: Suppose there is an η such that

$$x_1 - \Phi(N-1, 1)x_0 = W\eta$$

Let

$$u(j) = \begin{cases} B(j)^T \Phi(N-1, j+1)^T \eta & j = 1, \dots, N-2 \\ B(N-1)^T \eta & \text{for } j = N-1 \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
x(N) &= \Phi(N-1, 1)x_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{N-2} \Phi(N-1, j+1)B(j)(B(j)^T \Phi(N-1, j+1)^T \eta) \\
&\quad + B(N-1)B(N-1)^T \eta \\
&= \Phi(N-1, 1)x_0 + W\eta \\
&= x_1
\end{aligned}$$

Going the other way, suppose that $x_1 - \Phi(N-1, 1)x_0$ is not in the range space of W . Then there exists a $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $y \circ (x_1 - \Phi(N-1, 1)x_0) \neq 0$, but $W^T y = 0$. Following the same reasoning as in the continuous time case, this would imply

$$0 = y^T W y = \sum_{j=1}^N \|B(j)^T \Phi(N, j)^T y\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow B(j)^T \Phi(N, j)^T y = 0 \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, N$$

This contradiction shows that if there is an input sequence achieving specified boundary conditions for all possible choices of boundary conditions, then W has full rank.

2.2 Constant coefficient case

$$x(N+1) = Ax(N) + Bu(N)$$

$$= A^2x(N-1) + ABu(N-1) + Bu(N)$$

$$\dots$$

$$= A^N x(1) + A^{N-1}Bu(1) + A^{N-2}Bu(2) + \dots + ABu(N-1) + Bu(N)$$

The controllability rank condition [$\text{rank}(B, AB, \dots, A^{N-1}B) = n$] is equivalent to the condition of whether or not we can find a sequence $u(1), \dots, u(N)$ which steers between x_0 and x_1 for any choice of values $x_0, x_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

We can always choose $N \leq n$. Hence the controllability condition is

$$B, AB, \dots, A^{n-1}B$$

has rank n .

2.3 Observability in the constant coefficient discrete time case

$$y(k) = Cx(k) \quad x(k+1) = Ax(k)$$

we observe

$$\left. \begin{aligned} y(k) &= Cx(k) \\ y(k+1) &= CAx(k) \\ &\vdots \\ y(n-1+k) &= CA^{n-1}x(k) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{observe eq.}$$

We can always solve the observe eq. for $x(k)$ in terms the sequence $y(k), y(k+1), \dots, y(k+n-1) \Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(C, CA, \dots, CA^{n-1})^T = n$

3 Sampled systems hybrid continuous discrete systems

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

By sampling the state every h seconds, we get

$$y(kh) = C(kh)x(kh)$$

Letting

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x}(k) &= x(kh), \bar{A}(k) = \Phi((k+1)h, kh) \\ \bar{B}(k) &= \int_{kh}^{(k+1)h} \Phi((k+1)h, s)B(s)ds \\ \bar{C}(k) &= c(kh)\end{aligned}$$

We find the state and output dynamics of

$$x(k+1) = \bar{A}(k)\bar{x}(k) + \bar{B}(k)\bar{u}(k)\tag{2}$$

is the same as a sampled system, sampled every h units of time

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= A(t)x(t) + B(t)u_c(t) \\ y(t) &= C(t)x(t)\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

where

$$u_c(t) = \bar{u}(k) \quad \text{for } kh \leq t < (k+1)h$$

(2) is called the sampled version of (1).

Note: Constant coefficient continuous time systems give rise to constant coefficient sampled systems.

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{A} &= e^{Ah} \\ \bar{B} &= \int_{kh}^{(k+1)h} e^{A[(k+1)h-s]}Bds = \int_0^h e^{A(h-s)}Bds\end{aligned}$$

The Laplace transform of

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= A(t)x(t) + B(t)u_c(t) \\ y(t) &= C(t)x(t)\end{aligned}$$

is

$$\hat{y}(s) = C(Is - A)^{-1}B\hat{u}_c(s)$$

A discrete sequence $x(0), x(1), x(2), \dots$ has an associated z-transform

$$\hat{x}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(k)z^{-k}$$

Apply the z-transform to both sides of

$$\begin{aligned} x((k+1)h) &= Ax(kh) + Bu(kh) \\ y(kh) &= Cx(kh) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x((k+1)h)z^{-k} = A \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(kh)z^{-k} + B \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u(kh)z^{-k}$$

The left hand side can be written

$$z \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(kh)z^{-k} - x(0) \right]$$

Assume that $x(0) = 0$

Denote

$$Y(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} y(kh)z^{-k}$$

$$X(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(kh)z^{-k}$$

$$U(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u(kh)z^{-k}$$

$$zX(z) = AX(z) + BU(z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y(z) &= CX(z) \\ &= C(Iz - A)^{-1}BU(z) \end{aligned}$$

We wish to have a formal procedure for relating the z-transform of a sample system to the Laplace transform of the continuous time system from which it was obtained.

Given a continuous signal $f(t)$, we define the sampled representation to be

$$f^*(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} f(kh)\delta(t - kh)$$

where $\delta(t)$ is the Dirac delta function defined formally by

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y(s)\delta(s)ds = y(0)$$

The Laplace transform of the sampled system $f^*(t)$ is

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_0^{\infty} f^*(t) e^{-st} dt &= \int_0^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} f(kh) e^{-st} \delta(t - kh) dt \\ &= f(0) + f(h) e^{-sh} + f(2h) e^{-s2h} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f(kh) (e^{-sh})^k\end{aligned}$$

This is the z-transform provided $f(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$ and provided we make the identification $z = e^{sh}$.

REMARKS ON THE ZERO-ORDER HOLD:

Given the sampled signal $\{f(kh), k = 0, 1, 2 \dots\}$, one useful reconstruction is

$$f_c(t) = f(kh) \quad \text{for } kh \leq t < (k+1)h$$

Applying this to our sampled control input $u_c(t)$, the Laplace transform is

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_c(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} u_c(t) dt \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{kh}^{(k+1)h} e^{-st} u(kh) dt \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u(kh) \left(-\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \Big|_{t=kh}^{t=(k+1)h} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u(kh) \frac{1}{s} (e^{-skh} - e^{-s(k+1)h}) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u(kh) e^{-skh} \frac{1}{s} (1 - e^{-sh}) \\ &= \frac{1}{s} (1 - e^{-sh}) \mathfrak{L}(u^*(t)) \\ &= \frac{1}{s} (1 - e^{-sh}) u_c(z)\end{aligned}$$

Note that $\frac{1}{s}(1 - e^{-sh})$ is the Laplace transform of the zero-order hold; i.e. the Laplace transform of

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq t < h \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$