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On a Pole Assignment by State Feedback in Non-square Linear Systems

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Consider a linear, time-invariant system (E, A, B) :

$$E\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t), \quad t \geq 0$$

where

- $E, A \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times n}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times m}$, $\text{rank } B = m$

Applying **the state feedback**

$$u(t) = Fx(t) + v(t),$$

where

- $F \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, and $v(t)$ is a new external input

gives the closed-loop system $(E, A + BF, B)$:

$$E\dot{x}(t) = (A + BF)x(t) + Bv(t), \quad t \geq 0$$

Motivation

change F in $(E, A + BF, B)$



modify the dynamical behavior of (E, A, B) :

the pole structure of the system

Problems:

- pole structure assignment (PSA)
 - pole assignment (PA)



Non-square system (E, A, B)

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Basic definitions: pole structure, regularizable system

Definition

The pole structure of the system (E, A, B) is defined by the **zero structure of the pencil $sE - A$** .

the **finite** zero structure

the invariant polynomials of $sE - A$

the **infinite** zero structure

the negative powers of s in the Smith-McMillan form at ∞ of $sE - A$

- (E, A, B) is called regularizable if \exists a state feedback:
 $sE - A - BF$ is **regular** \Leftrightarrow **rank** $(sE - A - BF)$ is full.

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Problem Formulation

Problem Formulation (PSA)

Given

- a system (E, A, B)
- monic polynomials $\psi_1(s) \triangleright \psi_2(s) \triangleright \dots \triangleright \psi_r(s)$
- integers $d_1 \geq d_2 \geq \dots \geq d_{k_d}$.

Under what conditions there exists a state feedback :

the polynomials $\psi_i(s)$ and integers d_i will be

the invariant polynomials and infinite zero orders of $sE - A - BF$.

Pole assignment (PA) = characteristic polynomial assignment (regularizable system)

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The previous results

The PSA and PA problems have been widely studied in the **square systems** ($q = n$).

- ① Rosenbrock, 1970 (the seminal work) - explicit* and controllable system.
(E is invertible)
- ② Zaballa, 1988 - explicit and uncontrollable system.
- ③ Zagalak, Loiseau, 1992 - implicit* and controllable system.
(E is singular)
- ④ Loiseau, Zagalak, 2009 - regularizable system.
(PA + necessary conditions for the PSA).

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Feedback Canonical Form

The feedback group (P, Q, G, F)

- P, Q, G are invertible matrices over \mathbb{R}
- $F \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

Feedback canonical form (FCF) :

$$\begin{aligned}(P, Q, G, F) \circ (E, A, B) &= (PEQ, P(A + BF)Q, PBG) =: \\ &=: (E_C, A_C, B_C)\end{aligned}$$

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$(sE_C - A_C) := \text{blockdiag}\{sE_{\alpha_i} - A_{\alpha_i}\},$
 $\alpha = \epsilon, \sigma, q, p, l, \eta, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k_\alpha$

$$(1) \quad \left. \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & -1 \end{bmatrix}}^{\epsilon_i + 1} \\ \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & -1 \end{bmatrix}} \right\} \epsilon_i \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(2) \quad \left. \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & -1 \\ & & & s \end{bmatrix}}^{\sigma_i} \\ \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & -1 \\ & & & s \end{bmatrix}} \right\} \sigma_i \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(3) \quad \left. \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & s & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 \\ & & & & s \end{bmatrix}}^{q_i} \\ \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & s & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 \\ & & & & s \end{bmatrix}} \right\} q_i + 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(4) \quad \left. \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & s & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & -1 \\ & & & s \\ & & & & -1 \end{bmatrix}}^{p_i + 1} \\ \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & s & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & -1 \\ & & & s \\ & & & & -1 \end{bmatrix}} \right\} p_i + 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(5) \quad \left. \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & -1 \\ & & & \ddots & \\ -a_{i0} & -a_{i1} & \cdots & s - a_{li} \end{bmatrix}}^{l_i} \\ \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & -1 \\ & & & \ddots & \\ -a_{i0} & -a_{i1} & \cdots & s - a_{li} \end{bmatrix}} \right\} l_i \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(6) \quad \left. \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s & & & \\ -1 & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & \\ & & & -1 \end{bmatrix}}^{\eta_i} \\ \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} s & & & \\ -1 & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & s & \\ & & & -1 \end{bmatrix}} \right\} \eta_i + 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

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The form of B_C , indices in FCF

Matrix $B_C := \text{blockdiag} \{0, B_\sigma, B_q, 0, 0, 0\}$, where

$$B_\sigma := \text{blockdiag} \left\{ [0 \dots 0 \ 1]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{\sigma_i} \right\}$$

$$B_q := \text{blockdiag} \left\{ [0 \dots 0 \ 1]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{q_i+1} \right\}$$

The quantities describing the blocks:

- 1 the **nonproper** indices, $\epsilon_1 \geq \dots \geq \epsilon_{k_\epsilon} \geq 0$;
- 2 the **proper** indices, $\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{k_\sigma} > 0$;
- 3 the **almost proper** indices, $q_1 \geq \dots \geq q_{k_q} \geq 0$;
- 4 the **almost nonproper** indices, $p_1 \geq \dots \geq p_{k_p} > 0$;
- 5 the **fixed invariant** polynomials $\alpha_1(s) \triangleright \alpha_2(s) \triangleright \dots \triangleright \alpha_{k_l}(s)$,
 $\alpha_i(s) = s^{l_i} + a_{i,l_i} s^{l_i-1} + \dots + a_{i,1} s + a_{i,0}$;
- 6 the **row minimal** indices of $[sE_C - A_C, -B_C]$,
 $\eta_1 \geq \dots \geq \eta_{k_\eta} \geq 0$.

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Normal External Description(NED)

Definition

The matrices $N(s), D(s)$ are said to form a **NED** of the system (E, A, B) if they satisfy the following conditions:

- $[sE - A \quad -B] \begin{bmatrix} N(s) \\ D(s) \end{bmatrix} = 0$

where $\begin{bmatrix} N(s) \\ D(s) \end{bmatrix}$ forms a **minimal** polynomial basis for $\text{Ker}[sE - A \quad -B]$

- $\Pi[sE - A]N(s) = 0$

where Π is a **maximal** annihilator of B ,

$N(s)$ forms a **minimal** polynomial basis for $\text{Ker}\Pi[sE - A]$.

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The extension of the system

The **NED** of (E_C, A_C, B_C) reflects information:

+ ϵ_i, σ_i

* controllability indices of regularizable (E, A, B)

$=: c_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, k_\epsilon + k_\sigma$

System is controllable iff

$$\sum c_i = \text{rank} E$$

— $q_i, p_i, \eta_i, \alpha_i(s)$ (the hidden part of the system)

How to include the hidden part?

B_C is extended: $[B_C, \bar{B}_C]$



the hidden part of (E_C, A_C, B_C) appears in the **NED**

$(E_C, A_C, [B_C \bar{B}_C])$ – the extended system of (E_C, A_C, B_C)

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Conformal mapping

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To deal with finite and infinite zeros **in a unified way**:

conformal mapping $s = \frac{(1+aw)}{w}$

where $\bullet a \in \mathbb{R}$, $a \neq 0$, and is not a pole of the system.

the **infinite** zero structure of $sE_C - A_C$ = the **finite** zero structure of $w\tilde{E}_C - \tilde{A}_C$ at $w = 0$

where $w\tilde{E} - \tilde{A}_C$ is the **w-analogue** of $sE_C - A_C$.

The action of the state feedback upon (E_C, A_C, B_C) :

$$[sE_C - A_C \quad -[B_C \quad \bar{B}_C]] \begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 & 0 \\ F & I_m & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 & 0 \\ -F & I_m & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_E(s) \\ D_E(s) \end{bmatrix} = 0,$$

$$[sE_C - A_C - \mathbf{B}_C \mathbf{F} \quad -[B_C \bar{B}_C]] \begin{bmatrix} N_E(s) \\ D_{EF}(s) \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$D_{EF}(s) := \begin{bmatrix} D_C(s) - \mathbf{F} N_C(s) & -\mathbf{F} \bar{N}_C(s) \\ 0 & \bar{D}_C(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\bar{N}_C(s), \bar{D}_C(s)$ form the NED of the hidden part

The main property:

The non unit invariant factors of both

$w\tilde{E}_C - \tilde{A}_C - \tilde{B}_C(w)F$ and $\tilde{D}_{EF}(w)$ coincide for any F .

where $\tilde{D}_{EF}(w)$ is a w -analogue of the $D_{EF}(s)$.

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Description of the modification of a system by a state feedback

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$$\tilde{D}_{EF}(w) := \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{D}_{11} & S_{\tilde{\sigma}} + \tilde{D}_{12} & \tilde{D}_{13} & \tilde{D}_{14} & \tilde{D}_{15} & \tilde{D}_{16} \\ \tilde{D}_{21} & \tilde{D}_{22} & S_{\tilde{q}} + \tilde{D}_{23} & \tilde{D}_{24} & \tilde{D}_{25} & \tilde{D}_{26} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & \text{diag}\{w^{q_i}\} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \text{diag}\{w^{p_i}\} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & S_{\tilde{\alpha}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & S_{\tilde{\eta}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_{\tilde{\sigma}} := \text{diag} \left\{ (1 + aw)^{\sigma_i} \right\}_{i=1}^{k_{\sigma}}, \quad S_{\tilde{q}} := \text{diag} \left\{ (1 + aw)^{q_i} \right\}_{i=1}^{k_q}$$

$$S_{\tilde{\alpha}} := \text{diag} \left\{ \tilde{\alpha}_i(w) \right\}_{i=1}^{k_l}, \quad S_{\tilde{\eta}} := \text{blockdiag} \left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} (1 + aw)^{\eta_i} \\ -w^{\eta_i} \end{array} \right] \right\}_{i=1}^{k_{\eta}}$$

and $D_{ij}(s)$ are arbitrary matrices satisfying conditions

$$\deg_{ci} \begin{bmatrix} D_{1j}(s) \\ D_{2j}(s) \end{bmatrix} \leq j_i, \quad j = \epsilon, \sigma, q, p, l, \eta.$$

Under what conditions there exists a state feedback :
the full (row or column) rank pencil $sE - A - BF$?

Conditions of solvability of PA:

- (a) full **row** rank iff $k_\epsilon \geq k_q$ and $k_\eta = 0$
- (b) full **column** rank iff $k_q \geq k_\epsilon$

If (a) & (b) \Rightarrow system is regularizable

If (a) \oplus (b) \Rightarrow system is weakly (row or column) regularizable



(at least) one of the principal minors (of order $\min\{q, n\}$) $\neq 0$



Pole assignment (PA) = the assignment of the **greatest common divisor of the principal minors (gcdpm)** of $sE - A - BF$

The illustration of the Proposition

Example

Let

$$[sE - A \quad -B] := \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & s & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Defining $F = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$, the pencil

$$sE - A - BF = \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & s \end{bmatrix}$$

is of full row rank.

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Pole assignment in weakly regularizable system

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Problem formulation(PA)

Given

- a weakly regularizable system (E, A, B)
- a monic polynomial $\psi(s)$
- an integer d

Under what conditions there exists a state feedback :

$\tilde{\psi}(w)w^d$ will be a gcdpm $(w\tilde{E} - \tilde{A} - F\tilde{B}(w))?$

- Regularizable system ($k_\epsilon = k_q$ and $k_\eta = 0$)

$$\deg \psi(s) + d = \sum_{i=1}^{k_\epsilon} \epsilon_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_\sigma} \sigma_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_q} q_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_p} p_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_l} l_i$$

$$\psi(s) \triangleright \alpha_1(s)\alpha_2(s)\dots\alpha_{k_l}(s)$$

$$d \geq \sum_{i=1}^{k_q} q_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_p} p_i .$$

if $k_\epsilon = 0$:

$$\deg \psi(s) = \sum_{i=1}^{k_\sigma} \sigma_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_l} l_i$$

- the quantities $\alpha_i(s)$, p_i , q_i can not be changed by state feedback
- the sum of the indices ϵ_i , σ_i is the number of the poles that can be freely assigned either to finite or infinite locations

- Row regularizable system ($k_\epsilon \geq k_q$ and $k_\eta = 0$)

$$\tilde{D}_{EF}(w) \cong \begin{bmatrix} \star & \tilde{D}'_{11} & \tilde{D}_{12} & \tilde{D}_{13} & \tilde{D}_{14} & \tilde{D}_{15} \\ \star & \tilde{D}'_{21} & \tilde{D}_{22} & \tilde{D}_{23} & \tilde{D}_{24} & \tilde{D}_{25} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & \text{diag}\{w^{q_i}\} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \text{diag}\{w^{p_i}\} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & S_{\tilde{\alpha}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{\psi}(w) = \tilde{\psi}'(w)w^{(q_i+p_j)}S_{\tilde{\alpha}}, \quad i = 1, \dots, k_q, \quad j = 1, \dots, k_p$$

where $\tilde{\psi}'(w) := \text{gcdpm} \begin{bmatrix} \star & \tilde{D}'_{11} & \tilde{D}_{12} \\ \star & \tilde{D}'_{21} & \tilde{D}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ and $\det \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{D}'_{11} & \tilde{D}_{12} \\ \tilde{D}'_{21} & \tilde{D}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$

$$0 \leq \deg \psi'(w) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{k_q} \epsilon_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_\sigma} \sigma_i$$

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represents the sum of the controllable poles

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- Row regularizable system ($k_\epsilon \geq k_q$ and $k_\eta = 0$)

Necessary conditions:

$$\deg \psi(s) + d \leq \sum_{i=1}^{k_q} \epsilon_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_\sigma} \sigma_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_q} q_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_p} p_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_l} l_i$$

$$\psi(s) \triangleright \alpha_1(s)\alpha_2(s)\cdots\alpha_{k_l}(s)$$

$$d \geq \sum_{i=1}^{k_q} q_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_p} p_i$$

Example

Let $\epsilon_1 = 0$ and $\sigma_1 = 3$. The matrix $D_{EF}(s)$ is of the form

$$D_{EF}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0 & s^3 + \beta_2 s^2 + \beta_1 s + \beta_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow the degrees of a principal minor are either **0** or **3**,
but never **1** or **2**

(although they satisfy the condition $\deg \psi(s) \leq 3$).

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- Column regularizable system ($k_q \geq k_\epsilon$)

$$\tilde{D}_{EF}(w) \cong \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{D}'_{11} & \tilde{D}'_{12} & \tilde{D}'_{13} & \tilde{D}'_{14} & \tilde{D}'_{15} & 0 \\ \tilde{D}'_{21} & \tilde{D}'_{22} & \tilde{D}'_{23} & \tilde{D}'_{24} & \tilde{D}'_{25} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & \text{diag}\{w^{q'_i}\} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \text{diag}\{w^{p_i}\} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & S_{\tilde{\alpha}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I_{k_\eta+k_q-k_\epsilon} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\{q'_i\}$ be a subset of the indices q_i , $k_{q'} := \text{card}\{q'_i\} = k_\epsilon$

Necessary and sufficient conditions:

$$\deg \psi(s) + d = \sum_{i=1}^{k_\epsilon} \epsilon_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_\sigma} \sigma_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_{q'}} q'_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_p} p_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_l} l_i$$

$$\psi(s) \triangleright \alpha_1(s)\alpha_2(s)\cdots\alpha_{k_l}(s)$$

$$d \geq \sum_{i=1}^{k_{q'}} q'_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_p} p_i$$

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Maximal number of zeros (including multiplicities)

Theorem

Given *a weakly regularizable system (E, A, B) , a monic polynomial $\psi(s)$, an integer d .*

\Rightarrow *there exists a state feedback : $\psi(s)$ and d will be the gcdpm and the sum of the infinite zero orders of $sE - A - BF$ iff:*

$$\deg \psi(s) + d = \sum_{i=1}^{k_r} \epsilon_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_\sigma} \sigma_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_r} q_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_p} p_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_l} l_i$$

$$\psi(s) \triangleright \alpha_1(s)\alpha_2(s)\dots\alpha_{k_l}(s)$$

$$d \geq \sum_{i=1}^{k_r} q_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k_p} p_i$$

where $r := \min\{k_\epsilon, k_q\}$.

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Some Remarks:

- The number of zeros that can be assigned by a state feedback is not increased by the redundant ϵ , q - and η -blocks
- In the row regularizable systems the presence of the redundant ϵ -blocks may lead to the cancellation of all poles, which are assignable at our wil
- These ϵ -blocks represent the so called 'internal degree of freedom' of the system which can not be influenced by a control input. Using a state feedback, the influence of this degree of freedom could be spread on the controllable part of the system.
- The quantities η_i and the redundant indices q_i present the constraints on the solution $x(t)$ of the system.

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