

EE 640 : 13 - Discrete Systems

Note Title

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Most of the results derived until now hold also for Discrete realizations. We point out the similarities and differences:

A Discrete time realization

$$\begin{aligned}x_{k+1} &= Ax_k + bu_k & x_0 &\equiv \text{initial condition} \\ y_k &= cx_k\end{aligned}$$

The Z-transform

Given a sequence x_k ,

$$\begin{aligned}X(z) &= Z[x_k] := x_0 + z^{-1}x_1 + z^{-2}x_2 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k z^{-k}\end{aligned}$$

Shift : $Z(x_{k+1}) = z[X(z) - x_0]$
For $x_0 = 0$, $Z(x_{k+i}) = z^i X(z)$

Using this property, we can calculate the transfer function of the realization.

$$Y(z) = c(zI - A)^{-1}x_0 + c(zI - A)^{-1}bU(z)$$

With $x_0 = 0$, $\frac{Y(z)}{U(z)} = c(zI - A)^{-1}b$

Difference Equations :

$$y_{k+n} + a_1 y_{k+n-1} + \dots + a_n y_k = b_0 u_{k+m} + b_1 u_{k+m-1} + \dots + b_m u_k$$

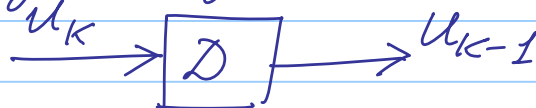
T.F. from Diff. Egn

$$\mathcal{Z}[y_{k+n} + a_1 y_{k+n-1} + \dots + a_n y_k] = \mathcal{Z}[b_0 u_{k+m} + \dots + b_m u_k]$$

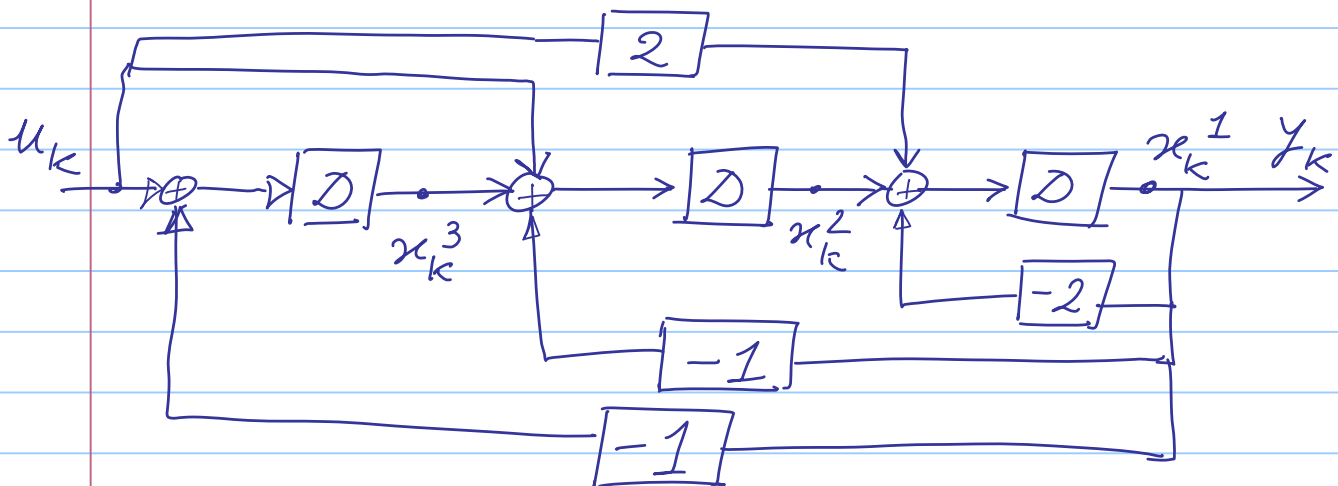
$$H(z) = \frac{b_0 z^m + b_1 z^{m-1} + \dots + b_m}{z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n}$$

Realization of a difference Equation

Exactly the same as in continuous-time. Just use one-step delay \mathcal{D} instead of integral



$$y_{k+3} + 2y_{k+2} + y_{k+1} + y_k = 2u_{k+2} + u_{k+1} + u_k$$



State Equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1}^1 \\ x_{k+1}^2 \\ x_{k+1}^3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_k^1 \\ x_k^2 \\ x_k^3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u_k$$

$$y_k = \underline{[1 \ 0 \ 0]} x_k$$

Asymptotic Stability

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_{k+1} &= Ax_k + Bu_k \\ y_k &= Cx_k \\ x_0 &= x^* \end{aligned} \right\} (*)$$

(*) is A.S. if the solution to

$x_{k+1} = Ax_k$ satisfies $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k\| = 0$
for all $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$

NOTE : $x_k = A^k x^*$

If A is diagonal, $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k\| = 0$ iff

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \quad |\lambda_i| < 1 \quad \text{for all } i$$

In general:

FACT: (*) is A.S. iff all eigenvalues of A lie strictly inside the unit circle on the complex plane.

Observability

Given $\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = Ax_k + bu_k \\ y_k = cx_k \end{cases}$ find x_k using only y and u

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_k \\ y_{k+1} \\ \vdots \\ y_{k+n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c \\ cA \\ \vdots \\ cA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}}_O x_k + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ cb & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ cA^{n-2}b & \dots & \dots & cb & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_T \begin{bmatrix} u_k \\ u_{k+1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{k+n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{y_k = O x_k + T u_k}$$

NOTE: y_k and u_k contain future input/output data, so this formula cannot be used to find the present state.

Observable $\equiv O$ is full rank.

For an observable realization, we can calculate the state from future input/output data.

$$x_k = O^{-1} [y_k - T u_k]$$

Reachability & Controllability of Discrete time systems

Given: $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + bu_k$
 $y_k = cx_k$

Q. Starting from any state (x_0), can we reach any state?

$$x_1 = Ax_0 + bu_0$$

$$x_2 = A^2x_0 + Ab u_0 + bu_1$$

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$$x_n = A^n x_0 + A^{n-1} b u_0 + A^{n-2} b u_1 + \dots + b u_{n-1}$$

$$= A^n x_0 + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} b & Ab & \dots & A^{n-1}b \end{bmatrix}}_{\textcircled{1}} \begin{bmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ u_{n-2} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_n = A^n x_0 + \textcircled{1} \begin{bmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

From $\textcircled{2}$, we can reach any state at step n iff the controllability matrix is full rank.

Then $\begin{bmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix} = \textcircled{1}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} x_n - A^n x_0 \end{bmatrix}$

Important Diff from Continuous Time case

The above requirement can be weakened if $x_n = 0$.

Q. Can we reach $x_n = 0$ starting from arbitrary initial condition?

From (2) above, we require

$$A^n x_0 + \mathcal{C} \begin{bmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{or } \mathcal{C} \begin{bmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix} = -A^n x_0 \quad \text{--- (2b)}$$

For any x_0 , there is a solution $[u_0 \dots u_{n-1}]^T$ to (2b) iff

$$\text{Im } A^n \subset \text{Im } \mathcal{C}.$$

So we rename these two cases.

Reachability \equiv Can we reach any state from any state?

Controllability \equiv Can we reach "0", starting from any state?

Reachability $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is full rank

Controllability $\Leftrightarrow \text{Im } A^n \subset \text{Im } \mathcal{C}$

So it is easy to see:

Reachability \Rightarrow Controllability
In general, \Leftarrow

FACT: if A is full rank, then the realization is controllable iff it is reachable

FACT: A continuous time system is reachable iff it is controllable.

Proof: Exercise (Hint: e^{At} is always invertible)

Observability & Constructibility

A realization
$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1} &= Ax_k + bu_k \\ y_k &= cx_k \end{aligned}$$

is constructible if x_k can be calculated uniquely using past input/output data. $(\dots, y_{k-2}, y_{k-1}, y_k \mid \dots, u_{k-2}, u_{k-1}, u_k)$

Linear Algebra, Given a matrix B

$$\text{Ker } B = \{x \mid Bx = 0\}$$

Given a system of linear equations $Bx = c$ and given one solution x_0 i.e. $Bx_0 = c$, any solution is of the form $x = x_0 + Q$ where $Q \in \text{Ker } B$

Recall,
$$\begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = Qx_0 + T \begin{bmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

and
$$x_n = A^n x_0 + C \begin{bmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Rewrite (1),
$$Qx_0 = \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} - T \begin{pmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let $x_0 = x_*$ be one solution, then any solution is of the form,

$$x_0 = x_d - v \quad \text{where } v \in \text{Ker } \mathcal{O}$$

Let's substitute this x_0 in (2),

$$x_n = A^n (x_d - v) + \mathcal{O} \begin{bmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{or } x_n = A^n x_d - A^n v + \mathcal{O} \begin{bmatrix} u_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If $A^n v = 0$ for all $v \in \text{Ker } \mathcal{O}$ then x_n is unique. (even though x_0 was not unique)

So we need, $v \in \text{Ker } A^n$ for every $v \in \text{Ker } \mathcal{O}$

or

$$\boxed{\text{Ker } \mathcal{O} \subset \text{Ker } A^n}$$

FACT: The realization is constructible iff $\text{Ker } \mathcal{O} \subset \text{Ker } A^n$

Observable $\equiv \text{Ker } \mathcal{O} = 0$

So Observability \Rightarrow constructible
In general, \nLeftarrow

FACT: If A is full rank, then constructibility \Rightarrow observability

FACT: For continuous time systems constructibility \equiv observability.