

Outline:

- review of HW1.
- when does a dynamical system have a unique solution?
- state-space and transfer-function representations of LTI systems.
- state-space canonical forms.
- matrix computation: determinants.

## 1 Fundamental Theorem of Differential Equations

Knowing the existence of a solution is the first step towards getting the answer. For ME 232, the following theorem addresses the question of whether a dynamical system has a *unique* solution or not.

**Theorem 1.** Consider  $\dot{x} = f(x, t)$ ,  $x(t_0) = x_0$ , with:

- $f(x, t)$  piecewise continuous in  $t$
- $f(x, t)$  Lipschitz continuous in  $x$

then there exists a *unique* function of time  $\phi(\cdot) : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  which is continuous almost everywhere and satisfies

- $\phi(t_0) = x_0$
- $\dot{\phi}(t) = f(\phi(t), t)$ ,  $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}_+ \setminus D$ , where  $D$  is the set of discontinuity points for  $f$  as a function of  $t$ .

Note:

- piecewise continuous: continuous except at finite points of discontinuity.
  - exercise: are these functions piecewise continuous?  $f(t) = |t|$  and

$$f(x, t) = \begin{cases} A_1 x, & t \leq t_1 \\ A_2 x, & t > t_1 \end{cases}$$

- Lipschitz continuous: if  $f(x, t)$  satisfies the following cone-shape constraint:

$$\|f(x, t) - f(y, t)\| \leq k(t) \|x - y\|$$

where  $k(t)$  is piecewise continuous.

- exercise: is  $f(x) = Ax + B$  Lipschitz continuous?

## 2 State-space and transfer-function descriptions of LTI systems

- why are we learning them? [history of control engineering and connections with future courses]
- relations between the two:

Table 1: Relations between state-space (ss) and transfer-function (tf) system representations

ss	tf
$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t), y(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t)$	$G(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$
$x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k), y(k) = Cx(k) + Du(k)$	$G(z) = C(zI - A)^{-1}B + D$

### 3 Canonical forms

$$G = \frac{b_2 s^2 + b_1 s + b_0}{s^3 + a_2 s^2 + a_1 s + a_0}$$

- Controllable canonical form

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} & & 1 \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & -a_2 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = [b_0 \quad b_1 \quad b_2], D = 0$$

- understanding the formula: the transfer function is given by  $G(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$ , where the poles of the system come from  $\det(sI - A) = 0$ . Suppose we don't know the order of  $a_0$ ,  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  in the last row of  $A$ , and use  $\star$  as a temporary representation in  $A$ . Looking at

$$\det(sI - A) = \det \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & \\ & s & -1 \\ \star & \star & s + \star \end{bmatrix}$$

we see that the only way for  $s^2$  to appear is from the term  $s^2(s + \star)$  in the determinant computation. Hence the location of  $-a_2$  has to be at the bottom right corner of  $A$ .

- exercise: write down the controllable canonical form for the following systems

$$\ast G(s) = \frac{s^2 + 1}{s^3 + 2s + 10}$$

$$\ast G(s) = \frac{b_0 s^2 + b_1 s + b_2}{s^3 + a_0 s^2 + a_1 s + a_2}$$

- Observable canonical form

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -a_2 & 1 & \\ -a_1 & & 1 \\ -a_0 & & \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ b_1 \\ b_0 \end{bmatrix}, C = [1 \quad 0 \quad 0], D = 0$$

- Diagonal form: for systems described by

$$G(s) = \frac{k_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{k_2}{s - p_2} + \frac{k_3}{s - p_3}$$

one state-space form is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & & \\ & p_2 & \\ & & p_3 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = [k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3], D = 0$$

- Jordan form: if

$$G(s) = \frac{k_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{k_2}{(s - p_m)^2} + \frac{k_3}{s - p_m}$$

then one state-space form of the system is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & & \\ & p_m & 1 \\ & & p_m \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = [k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3], D = 0$$

- understanding the formula: why  $B = [1, 0, 1]^T$ ? What if

$$G(s) = \frac{k_1}{(s - p_1)^2} + \frac{k_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{k_2}{(s - p_m)^2} + \frac{k_3}{s - p_m}$$

- Modified Jordan form: this is for systems with complex poles:

$$G(s) = \frac{k_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{\alpha s + \beta}{(s - \sigma)^2 + \omega^2}$$

we have

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & & \\ & \sigma & \omega \\ & -\omega & \sigma \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = [k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3], D = 0$$

## 4 Review and preparation for the next few lectures

### 4.1 Computing determinants

- $2 \times 2$  matrices:

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = ad - bc$$

- $3 \times 3$  matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & k \end{bmatrix} &= a \det \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ h & k \end{bmatrix} - b \det \begin{bmatrix} d & f \\ g & k \end{bmatrix} + c \det \begin{bmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{bmatrix} \\ &= aek + bfg + cdh - gec - bdk - ahf \end{aligned}$$