

# **Course Control of Stochastic Systems**

## **Lecture 6**

### **Weak Stochastic Realization of Gaussian Systems (2)**

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## Realization of Linear Systems

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# Linear Systems

## Def. Time-invariant linear control system

Define the **impulse response function**

of a time-invariant linear deterministic system according to,

$$x(t+1) = Ax(t) + Bu(t), \quad x(0) = x_0,$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t);$$

$$W_s(t) = \begin{cases} D, & t = 0, \\ CA^{t-1}B, & t \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad W_s : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n_u}; \text{ if}$$

$$u_a(t) = \begin{cases} e_a \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}, & t = 0, \\ 0, & t \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad e_a \text{ is a unit vector; then}$$

$$y_a(t) = \sum_{s=0}^t W_s(t-s)u_a(s) = W_s(t)e_a, \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_{n_u},$$

the output  $y_a$  is called

the **impulse response** of the input  $u_a$ .

# Linear Systems

## Problem. Realization of a linear system

Consider an impulse response function  $W : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n_u}$ ,  $n_y, n_u \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ .

(a) Does there exist a time-invariant linear control system,

$$x(t+1) = Ax(t) + Bu(t), \quad x(0) = x_0,$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t),$$

$(n_y, n_x, n_u, A, B, C, D) \in \text{LSP}$ , such that,

$$W(t) = W_s(t) = \begin{cases} D, & t = 0, \\ CA^{t-1}B, & t \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

If so, call this system a **realization** of the impulse response function.

(b) Characterize minimal realizations.

A realization is called **minimal**

if the state-space dimension  $n_x \in \mathbb{N}$  is minimal over all realizations.

(c) Classify or parametrize the set of all minimal realizations.

How are two minimal realizations related?

# Linear Systems

## Terminology

- ▶ **external description** of a linear system:  
the impulse response function,  $(n_y, n_u, W)$ ;
- ▶ **internal description** of a linear system:  
the system matrices  $(A, B, C, D)$  and  $(n_x, n_y, n_u \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$ .

The realization problem  
goes from the external description to the internal description.  
The definition of an impulse response function  
goes from an internal description to an external description.

# Linear Systems

## Def. Hankel matrix

Consider an impulse response function  $W : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n_u}$ .

Define the **block-Hankel matrix with  $k$  block-rows and  $m$  block-columns** of  $W$  as the matrix,

$$H_W(k, m) = \begin{bmatrix} W(1) & W(2) & W(3) & \dots & W(m) \\ W(2) & W(3) & W(4) & \dots & W(m+1) \\ W(3) & W(4) & W(5) & \dots & W(m+2) \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ W(k) & W(k+1) & W(k+2) & \dots & W(k+m-1) \end{bmatrix};$$

$$\text{rank}(H_W) = \sup_{k, m \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \text{rank}(H_W(k, m)) \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}.$$

Define the **infinite Hankel matrix  $H_W$**

as an infinite matrix of which each left-upper block is a  $(k, m)$  Hankel matrix.

Call the infinite Hankel matrix  $H_W$  of **finite rank** if  $\text{rank}(H_W) < \infty$ .

This definition is a repeat from Lecture 5.

# Linear Systems

## Def. A controllable tuple and an observable tuple

Consider a time-invariant linear system.

Call the tuple  $(A, B)$  a **controllable pair** and

call the tuple  $(A, C)$  an **observable pair** if, respectively,

$$n_x = \text{rank}(\text{conmat}(A, B)),$$

$$n_x = \text{rank}(\text{obsmat}(A, C)), \text{ where,}$$

$$\text{conmat}(A, B) = [B \quad AB \quad A^2B \quad \dots \quad A^{n_x-1}B],$$

$$\text{obsmat}(A, C) = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ CA^2 \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n_x-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$



# Linear Systems

## Theorem. Realization of a Linear System (1)

Due to R. Kalman (1963).

Consider an impulse response function  $W : T = \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n_u}$ .

### (a) Existence of a realization.

There exists a time-invariant linear control system,  
with finite state-space dimension  $n_x \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x(t+1) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t), \quad x(0) = x_0, \\ y(t) &= Cx(t) + Du(t), \quad \text{such that,} \\ W(t) = W_s(t) &= \begin{cases} CA^{t-1}B, & \text{if } t \geq 1, \\ D, & \text{if } t = 0, \end{cases} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(H_W) < \infty \text{ and } W(0) = D. \end{aligned}$$

In words, a finite rank of the infinite Hankel matrix  
is necessary and sufficient for existence of a realization.  
See Section 21.8 how to go from  $W$  to  $(n_x, A, B, C, D)$ .

# Linear Systems

## Theorem. Realization of a Linear System (2)

### (b) Characterization of minimality

Assume there exists a realization. Equivalence:

**(b.1)** the realization is a minimal realization  
(of minimal state-space dimension);

**(b.2)**  $n_x = \text{rank}(H_W) < \infty$  (external characterization).

**(b.3)**  $(A, B)$  is a controllable pair and  $(A, C)$  is an observable pair  
(internal characterization).

### (c.a) Classification.

$$LSP_{min}(W) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (n_y, n_x, n_u, A, B, C, D) \in LSP \\ (A, B) \text{ con. pair, } (A, C) \text{ obs. pair,} \\ W(0) = D, W(t) = CA^{t-1}B, \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \end{array} \right\}.$$

# Linear Systems

## Theorem. Realization of a Linear System (3)

(c.b) If there exists two minimal realizations of the same impulse response function with the parameters,

$(A_1, B_1, C_1, D_1), (A_2, B_2, C_2, D_2) \in \text{LSP}_{\min}(n_y, n_x, n_u),$   
 $\Rightarrow$  then these system matrices are **similar**,

defined as  $\exists L \in \mathbb{R}_{nsng}^{n_x \times n_x}$  (a nonsingular matrix), such that  
 $A_2 = LA_1L^{-1}, B_2 = LB_1, C_2 = C_1L^{-1}, D_2 = D_1.$

Conversely, if  $(A_1, B_1, C_1, D_1)$   
 are the system matrices of a minimal realization and if

$$L \in \mathbb{R}_{nsng}^{n_x \times n_x},$$

$$A_2 = LA_1L^{-1}, B_2 = LB_1, C_2 = C_1L^{-1}, D_2 = D_1.$$

then the second system, with  $(A_2, B_2, C_2, D_2),$   
 is also a minimal realization of the same response function.

# Linear Systems

## Theorem. Realization of a Linear System (4)

(d) Procedure. From an arbitrary realization to a minimal realization.

Consider a linear system that is not a minimal realization.

(c.1) Reduce the system representation to a controllable system; and

(c.2) Reduce the system representation to an observable system.

Then one obtains a minimal realization.

See illustration on slides 16 – 17.

# Linear Systems

## Def. Sylvester's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{rank}(\text{Obs}) + \text{rank}(\text{Con}) - n \\ & \leq \text{rank}(\text{Obs} \times \text{Con}) \leq \min\{\text{rank}(\text{Obs}), \text{rank}(\text{Con})\}, \\ & \quad \forall (\text{Obs} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}, \text{Con} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}, n, m, p \in \mathbb{Z}_+). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{rank}(\text{Obs} \times \text{Con}) = n, \quad n \leq p, n \leq m, \\ & \Rightarrow \text{rank}(\text{Obs}) = n \text{ and } \text{rank}(\text{Con}) = n. \end{aligned}$$

(Horn, Johnson, 2nd Ed., 2007, p. 13).

Sylvester's inequality is used in the proof of the theorem.

# Linear Systems

## Proof of Theorem (1)

(a) ( $\Rightarrow$ ) If there exists a realization then,

$$W(0) = D, \quad W(t) = CA^{t-1}B, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

$$H_W(k, m) = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{k-1} \end{bmatrix} [B \quad AB \quad \dots \quad A^{m-1}B]$$

$$= \text{obsmat}_k(A, C) \times \text{conmat}_m(A, B) \in \mathbb{R}^{kn_y \times mn_u},$$

$$\text{rank}(H_W(k, m)) \leq n_x, \quad \forall k, m \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

$$\text{rank}(H_W) = \sup_{k, m \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \text{rank}(H_W(k, m)) \leq n_x < \infty.$$

# Linear Systems

## Proof of Theorem (2)

(a) ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Use the rank condition  $n_x = \text{rank}(H_W) < \infty$

to relate the subspace generated by the infinite Hankel matrix to a finite-dimensional subspace.

Then a finite Hankel matrix

can be factorized as the product of two matrices over the space  $\mathbb{R}^{n_x}$ .

Then:

1. construct the  $C$  matrix,
2. construct the  $B$  matrix,  
see the factorization of the previous slide, and
3. construct the  $A$  matrix using the recursion.

Details in book and in lecture notes.

# Linear Systems

## Proof of Theorem (3)

(b) (b.2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (b.3). For  $k, m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  sufficiently large,

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_W(k, m) &= \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{k-1} \end{bmatrix} [B \quad AB \quad \dots \quad A^{m-1}B] \\
 &= \text{obsmat}_k(A, C) \text{conmat}_m(A, B), \\
 n_x &= \text{rank}(H_W(k, m)) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow^{(1)} n_x = \text{rank}(\text{obsmat}_k(A, C)), \quad n_x = \text{rank}(\text{conmat}_m(A, B)), \\
 &\Leftrightarrow^{(2)} n_x = \text{rank}(\text{obsmat}(A, C)), \quad n_x = \text{rank}(\text{conmat}(A, B)), \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (A, C) \text{ observable pair and } (A, B) \text{ controllable pair.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Used above are:

(1) Sylvester's inequality, and (2) the Cayley-Hamilton theorem.



# Linear Systems

## Proof of Theorem (4)

(c.b) ( $\Leftarrow$ ) This is a direct verification, note,

$$\begin{aligned} W(k) &= C_2 A_2^{k-1} B_2 = C_1 L^{-1} (L A_1 L^{-1})^{k-1} L B_1 = C_1 A_1^{k-1} B_1, \\ &\quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \\ W(0) &= D_2 = D_1. \end{aligned}$$

(c.b) ( $\Rightarrow$ ) One has to construct the transformation matrix  $L$  from the factorization of the block Hankel matrix which is possible due to the assumed minimality of the realization.

(d) The proof is simple. See Slides 18 – 19.

# Linear Systems

## Minimality illustrated (1)

Consider the time-invariant linear system representation,

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(t+1) &= \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & 0 & A_{13} & 0 \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} & A_{24} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{43} & A_{44} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ x_3(t) \\ x_4(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u(t), \\
 y(t) &= \begin{bmatrix} C_1 & 0 & C_3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x(t) + Du(t), \\
 &\left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & 0 \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \text{ a controllable pair,} \\
 &\left( \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{13} \\ 0 & A_{33} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} C_1 & C_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) \text{ an observable pair.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Corresponds to a Kalman decomposition of a linear system, which is in general neither controllable nor observable, see Def. 21.3.7 of the book.

# Linear Systems

## Minimality illustrated (2)

- ▶ Consider a linear system which is not a minimal realization of its impulse response.
- ▶ Reduction of state space to a controllable system by elimination of state components  $(x_3, x_4)$ . There remain the state components  $(x_1, x_2)$ .
- ▶ Reduction of state space to an observable system by elimination of state component  $x_2$ .
- ▶ There remains the subsystem with state component  $x_1$ ,

$$x_1(t+1) = A_{11}x_1(t) + B_1u(t), \quad x_1(0) = x_{1,0},$$

$$y(t) = C_1x_1(t) + Du(t),$$

$(A_{11}, B_1)$  controllable pair,

$(A_{11}, C_1)$  observable pair.

The latter system is a minimal realization of its impulse function.

# Linear Systems

## Use of Realization Theory of Linear Systems

- ▶ Characterization of minimality of a realization of a linear system in terms of controllability and of observability.
- ▶ Similarity of minimal realizations by a linear state-space transformation.
- ▶ Canonical forms of minimal realizations. Used in system identification.

# Linear Systems

## Remark on Finite Rank of a Hankel Matrix

It is an undecidable problem to determine whether an infinite Hankel matrix of an impulse response function, has a finite rank.

## Def. Undecidable Problem

A problem is called **undecidable**

if there does not exist

a Turing machine (an abstract model of a computer) which, for any input, will stop after a finite number of steps with the outcome of the computation of the problem.

See book

M. Sipser, Introduction to the theory of computation, PWS Publishing Company, Boston, 1997.

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# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Comments

Framework proposed by J.C. Willems (1972– 20xx).

Motivating questions:

- (1) When is a linear control system dissipative?
- (2) When is the impulse response function of a linear system, a covariance function?

Note the relation between:

- ▶ the **external behavior** of a system, for example dissipativeness,
- ▶ to the associated **internal behavior** of a system, the requested characterization in terms of system matrices.

Details below.

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Def. Dissipative linear control system

$$\begin{aligned} (n_y, n_x, n_u, F, G, H, J) &\in \text{LSP}, \quad n_y = n_u, \\ x(t+1) &= Fx(t) + Gu(t), \quad x(0) = x_0, \\ y(t) &= Hx(t) + Ju(t); \end{aligned}$$

define **supply rate**,  $h : \mathbb{R}^{n_y} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$h(u(t), y(t)) = u(t)^T y(t) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} u(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix}^T J_s \begin{bmatrix} u(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix}, \quad J_s = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_{n_y} \\ I_{n_y} & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Call this system a **dissipative system with supply rate  $h$**   
if there exists a **storage function**, for example  $S(x) = x^T Qx/2$ ,  
satisfying the **dissipation inequality**,

$$S(x(t)) - S(x(s)) - \sum_{r=s}^{t-1} h(u(r), y(r)) \leq 0,$$

$$S : \mathbb{R}^{n_x} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+, \quad \forall s, t \in T, \quad \forall x(s) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}, \quad \forall u \in F(T_d, U).$$



# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Comments. Dissipative Linear Control System

- ▶ Time interval of interest  $T_d = \{s, s+1, \dots, t\} \subseteq T$ .
- ▶ Denote the set of input functions by  $F(T_d, U) = \{u : T_d \rightarrow U\}$ .
- ▶ Interpretation of the dissipation inequality:  
over the time interval  $T_d$ ,  
 $S(x(t)) - S(x(s))$ , the **change in storage**,  
 $-\sum_{r=s}^{t-1} h(u(r), y(r))$ , minus the **energy supplied**,  
the sum is negative, hence has dissipated. Alternatively,

$$S(x(t)) \leq S(x(s)) + \sum_{r=s}^{t-1} h(u(r), y(r)).$$

- ▶ Example of dissipativeness.  
Think of an electric circuit with only a resistor.  
The heat produced by the resistor is not accounted for in the model,  
hence the energy of the heat has dissipated.

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Problem. Characterization of dissipativity

- (a) When is a linear control system dissipative?
- (b) If a linear control system is dissipative, classify or describe all storage functions.

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Def. Available Storage

Define the **available storage** as the function,

$$\begin{aligned}
 S^- : \mathbb{R}^{n_x} &\rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}, \\
 S^-(x) &= \sup_{(t, x_1), u \in F(T_d, U; 0, x, t, x_1)} \left[ - \sum_{r=0}^{t-1} h(u(r), y(r)) \right], \\
 &F(T_d, U; t_0, x_0, t_1, x_1) \\
 &= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u \in F(T_d, U) \mid \exists x(t_0) = x_0, \\ (x_0, u) \text{ transfers system to } x_1 = x(t_1; x_0, u), \\ (t_0, x_0) \Rightarrow (t_1, x_1) \end{array} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Interpretation,  
the available storage is the maximal amount of energy  
which can be extracted from the considered system  
over the considered future interval.

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Proposition. Available Storage

- (a) The system is dissipative  
if and only if  
the available storage is a finite valued function;  
equivalently,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}, S^-(x) < \infty$ .
- (b) If the system is dissipative  
then the available storage is a storage function.
- (c) If the system is dissipative and if  $S$  is any storage function,  
then  $0 \leq S^- \leq S$ .

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Def. Required Supply

Consider a linear control system and supply rate  $h$ .  
Define the **required supply** as the function,

$$S^+ : \mathbb{R}^{n_x} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{\infty\},$$

$$S^+(x) = \inf_{(s < 0, x_s), u \in F(T_d, U; s, x_s, 0, x)} \sum_{r=s}^{-1} h(u(r), y(t)).$$

Interpretation,  
required supply is the supply necessary to transfer the system  
from the initial tuple  $(s, x_s)$  to the terminal tuple  $(0, x)$ .  
Note the use of the backward interval at  $t = 0$ .

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Proposition. Required Supply

- (a) Assume that the linear control system is controllable.  
The system is dissipative if and only if,

$$\exists c \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } c \leq \sum_{r=s}^{-1} u(r)^T y(r); \text{ then,}$$

$$S^+(x) = S^-(x_s) + \inf_{(s < 0, x_s), u \in F(T_d, U; s, x_s, 0, x)} \sum_{r=s}^{-1} u(r)^T y(r).$$

is a storage function.

- (b) Assume that the system is dissipative with storage function  $S$ , and that  $S(0) = 0$ . Then  $S^+(0) = 0$  and  $0 \leq S^- \leq S \leq S^+$ .
- (c) Assume that the system is dissipative and controllable from state 0. Then  $S^+ < \infty$  and  $S^+$  is a storage function.

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Proposition. Convexity and Storage Functions

Assume that the system is dissipative.

- (a) The set of storage functions is convex;  
equivalently,  
if  $S_1, S_2$  are storage functions and  $c \in (0, 1)$   
then  $S_c = cS_1 + (1 - c)S_2$  is a storage function.
- (b) Assume in addition that  
the system is controllable from state  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$ .  
For any constant  $c \in (0, 1)$ ,  
the following function is a storage function,

$$S_c = cS^- + (1 - c)S^+.$$

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Proposition. Relation Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

Assume that the system is controllable from state  $x_0 = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$ .

$$x(t+1) = Fx(t) + Gu(t), \quad x(0) = x_0,$$

$$y(t) = Hx(t) + Ju(t), \quad J = J^T,$$

$$W : T = \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n_y},$$

$$W(t) = \begin{cases} HF^{t-1}G, & t \geq 1, \\ J + J^T, & t = 0, \\ G^T(F^T)^{-t-1}H^T = W(-t)^T, & t \leq -1. \end{cases}$$

The system is dissipative

if and only if  $W$  is a positive-definite function

if and only if  $W$  is a covariance function.

### Remark

Note relation of system being dissipativity and the function  $W$  being a covariance function.



# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Def. Set of State Variance Matrices (1)

Consider a linear control system with the assumptions,

$$lsp = (n_y, n_x, n_y, F, G, H, J) \in \text{LSP},$$

$$0 \prec J + J^T, \text{spec}(F) \subset \mathbb{D}_o;$$

$$lsdp = (n_y, n_x, n_y, F^T, H^T, G^T, J^T) \in \text{LSP},$$

$$0 \prec J + J^T, \text{spec}(F^T) \subset \mathbb{D}_o.$$

Call  $lsdp$  the **tuple of the dual parameters**  
of the **tuple of parameters**  $lsp$ .

Define the functions,

$$Q_{V,lsp} : \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{(n_x+n_y) \times (n_x+n_y)},$$

$$Q_{V,lsdp} : \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{(n_x+n_y) \times (n_x+n_y)}.$$

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Def. Set of State Variance Matrices (2)

Define the **set of matrices of storage functions** of the linear system  $(n_y, n_x, n_y, F, G, H, J) \in \text{LSP}$  by the formula,

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsp}} = \left\{ Q \in \mathbb{R}_{pds}^{n_x \times n_x} \mid 0 \preceq Q_{v,\text{lsp}}(Q) \right\},$$

$$Q_{v,\text{lsp}}(Q) = \begin{bmatrix} Q - F^T Q F & H^T - F^T Q G \\ H - G^T Q F & J + J^T - G^T Q G \end{bmatrix}.$$

Define the **set of state variance matrices** of the covariance function of a Gaussian system  $(n_y, n_x, n_y, F, G, H, J) \in \text{LSP}$ , note the duality, by the formula,

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\text{lspd}} = \left\{ Q \in \mathbb{R}_{pds}^{n_x \times n_x} \mid 0 \preceq Q_{v,\text{lspd}}(Q) \right\},$$

$$Q_{v,\text{lspd}}(Q) = \begin{bmatrix} Q - F Q F^T & G - F Q H^T \\ G^T - H Q F^T & J + J^T - H Q H^T \end{bmatrix}.$$

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Theorem. Algebraic Characterization of Dissipativeness (1)

Due to J.C. Willems (1972).

Consider the linear control system which is  
a minimal realization of its impulse response function,

$$\begin{aligned}x(t+1) &= Fx(t) + Gu(t), \quad x(0) = x_0, \\y(t) &= Hx(t) + Ju(t), \quad 0 \prec J + J^T, \quad \text{spec}(F) \subset \mathbb{D}_o, \\h(u, y) &= u^T y, \\W(t) &= \begin{cases} HF^{t-1}G, & t \geq 1, \\ J + J^T, & t = 0, \\ G^T(F^T)^{-t-1}H^T, & t \leq -1. \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

**(a)** The following statements are equivalent:

- (a.1)** the system is dissipative with supply rate  $h$ ;
- (a.2)** the function  $W$  is positive-definite;
- (a.3)** there exists a matrix  $Q \in \mathbf{Q}_{\text{isp}}$ ; and
- (a.4)** there exists a matrix  $Q_d \in \mathbf{Q}_{\text{ldp}}$ .

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Theorem. Algebraic Characterization of Dissipativeness (2)

- (b) If the system is dissipative  
then there exists a minimal state-variance matrix which is a solution of the algebraic Riccati equation of stochastic realization,

$$0 = D_d(Q),$$

$$D_d(Q) = Q - FQF^T +$$

$$- (G - FQH^T)(J + J^T - HQH^T)^{-1}(G - FQH^T)^T,$$

with the side conditions,

- (1)  $Q \in \mathbb{R}_{pds}^{n_x \times n_x},$
- (2)  $0 \prec J + J^T - HQH^T,$
- (3)  $\text{spec}(F - (G - FQH^T)(J + J^T - HQH^T)^{-1}H) \subset \mathbb{D}_o.$

Define the matrix  $Q^- = Q$  to be the solution of the above equation with the three conditions.

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Theorem. Algebraic Characterization of Dissipativeness (3)

- (c) Let  $Q \in \mathbb{R}_{pds}^{n_x \times n_x}$ . The function  $S(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x$  is a storage function if and only if  $Q \in \mathbf{Q}_{lsp}$ .
- (d) Let  $Q_d \in \mathbb{R}_{pds}^{n_x \times n_x}$ . The function  $Q_d$  is a state variance matrix of a weak Gaussian stochastic realization if and only if  $Q_d \in \mathbf{Q}_{lsdp}$ .
- (e) The following relations hold.

$$Q^- \preceq Q \preceq Q^+, \quad \forall Q \in \mathbf{Q}_{lsp},$$

$$Q_d^- \preceq Q_d \preceq Q_d^+, \quad \forall Q_d \in \mathbf{Q}_{lsdp}.$$

## Remarks

The equation  $D_d(Q) = 0$  does not have a unique solution.  
 But the equation  $D_d(Q) = 0$  has a unique solution  
 if the conditions (1), (2), and (3) of (b) are all required to hold.

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Proposition. Relation Dissipation Inequality and Noise Variance Matrix

Consider,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x}, \quad Q = Q^T, \quad s, t \in T, \quad s < t; \text{ then,} \\
 & S(x(t)) - S(x(s)) - \sum_{r=s}^{t-1} h(u(r), y(r)) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} x(t)^T Q x(t) - \frac{1}{2} x(s)^T Q x(s) - \sum_{r=s}^{t-1} u(s)^T y(s), \\
 &= - \sum_{r=s}^{t-1} \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} x(r) \\ u(r) \end{bmatrix}^T Q_{v,isp}(Q) \begin{bmatrix} x(r) \\ u(r) \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The proof is a simple algebraic calculation.

Consequently, if  $Q$  belongs to  $\mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsdp}}$ , then  $0 \preceq Q_{v,isp}(Q)$ , and then the system is dissipative.

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Theorem. Description of state variance matrices (Thm. 24.7.1)

Consider  $(n_y, n_x, n_y, F, G, H, J) \in \text{LSP}_{\min}$  is regular.

Assume that  $\mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsp}} \neq \emptyset$ , there exist  $Q^-, Q^+ \in \mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsp}}$ ,

$0 \prec Q^-, 0 \prec (Q^+ - Q^-)$ ,  $\text{spec}(F^-) \subset \mathbb{D}_o$ ,  $\text{spec}(F^+) \subset \mathbb{D}_o$ .

Then

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsp}} \subset \mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsp}}^+(Q^-) \cap \mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsp}}^-(Q^+); \text{ where,}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsp}}^+(Q^-) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q^- + \Delta Q \in \mathbb{R}_{\text{spds}}^{n_x \times n_x} \mid \\ \text{conditions (1) and (2) both hold;} \end{array} \right\},$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsp}}^-(Q^+) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q^+ - \Delta P \in \mathbb{R}_{\text{spds}}^{n_x \times n_x} \mid \\ \text{corresponding conditions hold} \end{array} \right\};$$

$$(1) \quad \Delta Q \in \mathbb{R}_{\text{spds}}^{n_x \times n_x},$$

$$(2) \quad (\Delta Q)^{-1} - F^-(\Delta Q)^{-1}(F^-)^T + \\ - G(J + J^T - G^T Q^- G)^{-1} G^T \succeq 0;$$

$$F^- = F - G(J + J^T - G^T Q^- G)^{-1}(H^T - F^T Q^- G)^T.$$

# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Comments on theorem

- ▶ The set of state variances matrices is described as contained in the **intersection** of an **upward cone of matrices** originating at  $Q^-$  and a **downward cone of matrices** originating at  $Q^+$ . Is a geometric description.
- ▶ The upward cone is a polyhedral set of matrices, the downward cone is also a polyhedral set of matrices.
- ▶ The extremal matrices of these cones are described by algebraic Riccati equations.
- ▶ Theorem due to J.C. Willems, P. Faurre, and others.
- ▶ Extensions to systems in Hilbert spaces and to  $\sigma$ -algebraic systems.



# Covariance Functions and Dissipative Systems

## Comment. Use of Dissipative Systems

- ▶ Existence of a state variance matrix  $Q_x \in \mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsdp}}$ .
- ▶ The geometric structure of the set state variance matrices.
- ▶ Concept of a dissipative system and its relation with stability.
- ▶ There is also theory  
for dissipativity of nonlinear deterministic systems.  
Useful for stability of nonlinear systems.

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## Proof of Theorem of Weak Gaussian Stochastic Realization (1)

(1) Assume there exists a realization,

$$x(t+1) = Ax(t) + Mv(t), \quad x(0) = x_0 \in G(0, Q_{x_0}),$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t) + Nv(t), \quad \text{spec}(A) \subset \mathbb{D}_o;$$

$$\exists Q_x \in \mathbb{R}_{pds}^{n_x \times n_x} \text{ such that}$$

$$Q_x = AQ_x A^T + MM^T; \text{ define}$$

$$Q_{x^+, y} = AQ_x C^T + MN^T,$$

$$Q_y = CQ_x C^T + NN^T;$$

$$F = A, \quad H = C, \quad G = Q_{x^+, y}, \quad J + J^T = Q_y,$$

$$W(t) = W_s(t) = CA^{t-1}Q_{x^+, y} = HF^{t-1}G, \quad \forall t \geq 1,$$

$$W(0) = W_s(0) = Q_y = CQ_x C^T + NN^T = HQ_x H^T + NN^T.$$

## Proof of Theorem (2)

(1, continued)

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_{v,lsdp}(Q_x) &= \begin{bmatrix} Q_x - FQ_x F^T & G - FQ_x H^T \\ (.)^T & J + J^T - HQ_x H^T \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} Q_x - AQ_x A^T & Q_{x^+,y} - AQ_x C^T \\ (.)^T & Q_y - CQ_x C^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M \\ N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M \\ N \end{bmatrix}^T \succeq 0, \\
 &\Rightarrow Q_x \in \mathbf{Q}_{lsdp}.
 \end{aligned}$$

## Proof of Theorem (3)

(1, continued)

$$H_W(k, m) = \begin{bmatrix} H \\ HF \\ \vdots \\ HF^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} G & FG & \dots & F^m G \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{kn_y \times n_x} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times mn_y},$$

$$\text{rank}(H_W(k, m)) \leq n_x,$$

$$\text{rank}(H_W) = \sup_{k, m \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \text{rank}(H_W(k, m)) \leq n_x.$$

Thus, the infinite Hankel matrix has finite rank.

## Proof of Theorem (4)

(2) Consider covariance function  $W$  and assumptions of theorem.  
Step (1),

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{rank}(H_W) < \infty \\ \Rightarrow & \exists (n_y, n_x, n_y, F, G, H, J) \in \text{LSP}_{\min}, \\ W(t) = & \begin{cases} HF^{t-1}G, & t > 0, \\ J + J^T, & t = 0, \end{cases} \\ & (F, G) \text{ controllable pair, } (F, H) \text{ observable pair.} \end{aligned}$$

Above result follows from  
the realization theorem of time-invariant linear systems.  
Step (2). Theorem of dissipative systems implies  
that the covariance function  $W$  yields  
existence of a state variance matrix  $Q_W \in \mathbf{Q}_{\text{lsdp}}$ , hence,

$$0 \preceq Q_{v,\text{lsdp}}(Q_W).$$

## Proof of Theorem (5)

(3) Procedure. Define and note that,

$$A = F, \quad C = H,$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} M \\ N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M \\ N \end{bmatrix}^T = Q_{v, \text{lsdp}}(Q_W) = \begin{bmatrix} Q_W - FQ_WF^T & G - FQ_WH^T \\ (.)^T & J + J^T - HQ_WH^T \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0,$$

$$x(t+1) = Ax(t) + Mv(t), \quad x(0) = x_0 \in G(0, Q_W),$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t) + Nv(t), \quad v(t) \in G(0, I_{n_v}), \quad n_v = n_x + n_y,$$

$$Q_x = AQ_xA^T + MM^T,$$

$$Q_W = FQ_WF^T + MM^T = AQ_WA^T + MM^T \Rightarrow Q_x = Q_W,$$

$$W_s(t) = CA^{t-1}Q_{x^+, y} = HF^{t-1}G = W(t), \quad \forall t \in T,$$

$$W_s(0) = CQ_xC^T + NN^T = HQ_WH^T + NN^T = W(0).$$

Thus the constructed system is a weak Gaussian stochastic realization.

## Proof of Theorem (6)

### (4) Minimality.

$$\text{spec}(A) \subset \mathbb{D}_o, \quad A = F;$$

$$W(t) = HF^{t-1}G, \text{ minimal covariance realization,}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (F, G) \text{ controllable pair,} \\ (F, H) = (A, C) \text{ observable pair,} \end{array} \right\};$$

$$0 \prec Q_W = Q_x, \text{ by conditions,}$$

$$Q_x = AQ_xA^T + MM^T \Rightarrow (A, M) \text{ supportable pair,}$$

using results of the Lyapunov equation;

$$(F, G) \text{ controllable pair,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Leftrightarrow (F, G) &= (A, Q_{x^+,y}) = (A, AQ_xC^T + MN^T) \\ &= (Q_xA_b^TQ_x^{-1}, Q_xC_b^T) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{controllable pair of backward representation,}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (A_b^T, C_b^T) \text{ controllable pair,}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (A_b, C_b) \text{ observable pair.}$$



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# Canonical Form

## Motivation

- ▶ For a considered covariance function, there exists a set of minimal weak Gaussian stochastic realizations. This set has many elements.
- ▶ In system identification one needs for identifiability a unique element of this set.
- ▶ One mostly selects the Kalman realization as explained next.
- ▶ Concept of a canonical form is needed.

# Canonical Form

## Def. Canonical form

Consider a set  $X$  with an **equivalence relation**  $E$  defined on it,

- $X$  a set,  
 $E \subseteq X \times X$  equivalence relation, hence such that
- (1)  $(x, x) \in E$ ,
  - (2)  $(x, y) \in E \Rightarrow (y, x) \in E$ ,
  - (3)  $(x, y) \in E$  and  $(y, z) \in E \Rightarrow (x, z) \in E$ .

Define a **canonical form** of  $(X, E)$  as

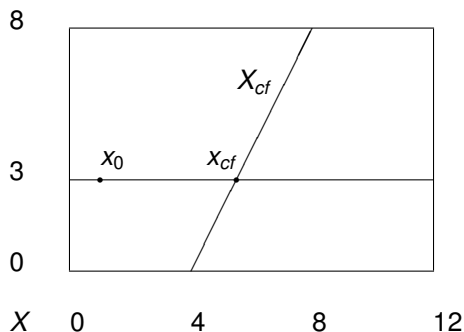
$$X_{cf} \subseteq X \text{ such that}$$

$$\forall x \in X, \exists \text{ unique } x_{cf} \in X_{cf}, \text{ such that } (x, x_{cf}) \in E.$$

Remark. A canonical form is not unique in general.  
 See Subsection 17.1.1 of the lecture notes.

# Canonical Form

## Figure canonical form



$$X = [0, 12] \times [0, 8] \subset \mathbb{R}^2,$$

$$E = \{(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in X \times X \mid x_2 = y_2\},$$

$$X_{cf} = \{(x_1, x_2) \in X \mid x_2 = 2(x_1 - 4), 4 \leq x_1 \leq 8\},$$

$$x_0 = (1, 3) \in X \mapsto x_{cf} = (5.5, 3) \in X_{cf}.$$

# Canonical Form

## Towards a canonical form for WGSR

- ▶ Consider a stationary Gaussian process satisfying the assumptions of Theorem 6.4.3.
- ▶ There exists in general a set of minimal weak Gaussian stochastic realizations.
- ▶ Call two minimal time-invariant Gaussian stochastic systems **equivalent** if they have the same covariance function. This defines an equivalence relation on  $\text{WGSRP}_{\min}$ .
- ▶ Needed is a canonical form.  
No satisfactory solution yet.
- ▶ Below the observable canonical form for a time-invariant linear system with output only.

# Canonical Form

## Def. Observable canonical form of a time-invariant linear system (1)

Consider a time-invariant linear system without input, which is a minimal realization of the output.

$$x(t+1) = Ax(t), \quad x(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x},$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t),$$

$(A, C)$  observable pair.

# Canonical Form

## Def. Observable canonical form of a time-invariant linear system (2)

Define the **observable canonical form** of such a system in terms of the tuple of system matrices  $(A, C)$  for the single-output case,

$$A_{cf} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & -a_2 & \dots & -a_{n_x-2} & -a_{n_x-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x},$$

$$C_{cf} = [1 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0] \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n_x}, \text{ where,}$$

$$A^{n_x} = - \sum_{i=0}^{n_x-1} a_i A^i, \text{ by the Cayley-Hamilton theorem.}$$

# Canonical Form

## Remark

Observable canonical form is also known for a time-invariant linear system with a multivariable output ( $n_y > 1$ ). Requires extensive notation.

## Theorem

The observable canonical form of a time-invariant linear system, is a well defined canonical form. Thus satisfies the conditions of a canonical form stated before. Proof. Course participants have to construct the proof. See Homework Set 6.



# Canonical Form

## Example. Observable canonical form

Consider the following special case of the single-output observable canonical form of a time-invariant linear system.

$$x(t+1) = A_{cf}x(t), \quad x(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x},$$

$$y(t) = C_{cf}x(t),$$

$$n_x = 4, \quad n_y = 1,$$

$$A_{cf} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & -a_2 & -a_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4},$$

$$C_{cf} = [1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0] \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 4},$$

$(a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3)$  are the parameters of this canonical form.

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## Contributions of Lecture 6

- ▶ Realization theory of time-invariant linear systems. Existence, minimality characterization, classification of all realizations and relations of minimal realizations.
- ▶ Dissipativity theory of a control system and the impulse response function being a covariance function. Algebraic characterization by a set of state variance matrices using a linear matrix inequality.
- ▶ The proof of the theorem of weak Gaussian stochastic realization.
- ▶ Introduction to a canonical form of a time-invariant linear system.