

$$\begin{aligned} x(t+1) &= A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t) & x \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}^k \\ y(t) &= C(t)x(t) + D(t)u(t) & y \in \mathbb{R}^m \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Prove the following impulse response theorem for (1).

Theorem 1 (Impulse Response). Consider a discrete-time linear system with k inputs and m outputs. There exists a matrix-valued signal $G(t, \tau) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$ such that for every input u , a corresponding output is given by

$$u \rightsquigarrow y(t) = \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} G(t, \tau)u(\tau) \quad \forall t \geq 0. \quad (3)$$

The matrix-valued signal $G(t, \tau) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$ is called a discrete-time impulse response. Its entry $g_{ij}(t, \tau)$ can be viewed as the i th entry of an output at time t , corresponding to a unit discrete-time pulse applied at the j th input at time τ .

Proof: As for discrete-time inputs, we can use $g(t, \tau) := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } t = \tau \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ to approximate input signal u . To simplify the analysis, just prove the theorem for SISO system, which is: $u \rightsquigarrow y(t) = \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} g(t, \tau)u(\tau)$ ($\forall t \geq 0$), where $g(t, \tau)$, $\tau \geq 0$, is an output corresponding to the input $g(t, \tau)$. Since $u(t) = \sum_{\tau} u(\tau)g(t, \tau)$ ($\forall t \geq 0$) $\xrightarrow{\text{linearity}}$ $u \rightsquigarrow y(t) := \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} u(\tau)g(t, \tau)$, $\forall t \geq 0$.

- For causal systems, one can choose the impulse response to satisfy $G(t, \tau) = 0$, $\forall \tau > t$.
- For time-invariant systems, one can choose the impulse response to satisfy $G(t + T, \tau + T) = G(t, \tau)$, $\forall t, \tau, T \geq 0$. In particular for $\tau = 0$, $t_1 = T$, $t_2 = t + T$, $G(t_2, t_2) = G(t_2 - t_1, 0)$, $\forall t_2 \geq t_1 \geq 0$ which shows that $G(t_2, t_1)$ is just a function of $t_2 - t_1$.
- For causal, time-invariant systems, we can write (3) as

$$u \rightsquigarrow y(t) = \sum_{\tau=0}^t G(t - \tau)u(\tau) := (G \star u)(t) \quad (4)$$

where \star denotes the convolution operator on discrete signals.

Proof: 1. Consider for two outputs of u : $\begin{cases} u \rightsquigarrow y_1 \\ u \rightsquigarrow y_2 \end{cases}$, let $u = 0$, we have

$y_1 + y_2 = 0$, because of the linearity, we have $y_1 + y_2 = y_1 = y_2$, hence $y_1 = y_2 = 0$. Since the impulse $g(t, \tau)$ at time T is equal to the zero input u on $[0, T]$, it must have an output that is zero on $[0, T]$; i.e., $g(t, \tau) = 0$, $0 \leq t \leq T-1 \Rightarrow \exists \bar{y}: g(t-\tau) \rightsquigarrow \bar{y}$ and $\bar{y}(t) = 0$, $0 \leq t \leq T-1$. choose this input to construct the impulse response, we can obtain $\exists g(t, \tau) = 0$, $\forall T \geq t$.

2. By the definition of impulse response: $S(t-T) \rightsquigarrow y(t) := g(t, t+T)$, where $S(t-T)$ is an impulse at time $t+T$. By time invariance, the impulse $S(t-T)$ at time T must have an output \bar{y} such that: $S(t-T) \rightsquigarrow \bar{y}(t) = y(t+T) = g(t+T, t+T)$. By using this output to construct the impulse response, we obtain $S(t+T, t+T) = G(t, T), \forall t, T \geq 0$.

3. From "2." above we know that $G(t_2, t_1)$ is just a function of $t_2 - t_1$, hence we can replace $G(t, T)$ in (3) with $G(t-T)$: $u \rightsquigarrow y(t) = \sum_{T=0}^{\infty} G(t-T)u(T), \forall t \geq 0$. From "1" above we know $G(t, T) = 0, \forall T > t$, i.e., $\forall t < T$, hence we can further replace the ∞ in the upper summation limit by t since $G(t, t) = G(t-t) = 0, \forall t > t$. Hence we prove that $u \rightsquigarrow y(t) = \sum_{T=0}^t G(t-T)u(T) := (G * u)(t)$

For discrete-time systems the \mathcal{Z} -transform plays a role analogous to the Laplace transform in defining a transfer function, essentially by replacing all the integrals by summations. Given a discrete-time signal $y(\cdot)$, its \mathcal{Z} -transform is given by

$$\hat{y}(z) = \mathcal{Z}[y(t)] := \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} z^{-t} y(t), \quad z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

The transfer function for a discrete-time LTI system is defined as:

Definition 1 (Transfer function). The transfer function of a discrete-time LTI system is the \mathcal{Z} -transform

$$\hat{G}(z) = \mathcal{Z}[G(t)] := \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} z^{-t} G(t), \quad z \in \mathbb{C}$$

of an impulse response given in (4).

1. Prove the following theorem:

Theorem 2. For every input u , the \mathcal{Z} -transform of a corresponding output y is given by $\hat{y}(z) = \hat{G}(z)\hat{u}(z)$.

2. Prove the following theorem:

Theorem 3. The impulse response and transfer function of the DLTI system (2) are given by

$$G(t) = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}[C(zI - A)^{-1}B + D] \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{G}(z) = C(zI - A)^{-1}B + D$$

respectively. Moreover, the output given by (3) corresponds to the zero initial condition $x(0) = 0$.

Proof 1. Because of Theorem 1, the discrete-time linear system has an output: $y(t) = \sum_{T=0}^{\infty} G(t-T)u(T), \forall t \geq 0$. Taking its

Z -transform, one obtains: $\hat{y}(z) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} z^{-t} \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} g(t-\tau) u(\tau)$, $\forall t \geq 0$.
 changing the order of summation:

$$\hat{y}(z) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} z^{-(t-\tau)} g(t-\tau) dt \right) z^{-t} u(\tau) dt \quad \text{①}$$

But because

$$\begin{aligned} \text{of causality, } \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} z^{-(t-\tau)} g(t-\tau) dt &= \sum_{\tau=t}^{\infty} z^{-\tau} g(\tau) d\tau \\ &= \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} z^{-\tau} g(\tau) d\tau = \hat{G}(z) \quad \text{②} \end{aligned}$$

Substituting ② into ① and remove $\hat{G}(z)$ from the summation,
 we conclude that: $\hat{y}(z) = \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} \hat{G}(z) e^{-\tau} u(\tau) dt$

$$= \hat{G}(z) \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} e^{-\tau} u(\tau) dt = \hat{G}(z) \hat{u}(z)$$

2, consider the discrete-time LTI system:

$$x^+ = Ax + Bu, y = Cx + Du, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}^k, y \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

$$\text{Since } Z(x^+) = Z(x(t+1)) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} x(t+1) z^{-t} = z \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} x(t) z^{-t} =$$

$$z \left(\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} x(t) z^{-t} - x(0) z^0 \right) = z \hat{x}(z) - x(0) z, \text{ we can}$$

take the Z -transform of both sides of the two equations:

$$z \hat{x}(z) - z x(0) = A \hat{x}(z) + B \hat{u}(z), \hat{y}(z) = C \hat{x}(z) + D \hat{u}(z).$$

$$\text{Solving for } \hat{x}(z), \text{ we obtain: } (ZI - A) \hat{x}(z) = z x(0) + B \hat{u}(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{x}(z) = (ZI - A)^{-1} B \hat{u}(z) + (ZI - A)^{-1} z x(0), \text{ from which we conclude that } \hat{y}(z) = \hat{x}(z) + G(z) \hat{u}(z), \text{ where:}$$

$\hat{\psi}(z) := C(zI - A)^{-1}$, $\hat{G}(z) := C(SI - A)^{-1}B + D$. Coming back to the time domain by applying inverse z -transform, we obtain

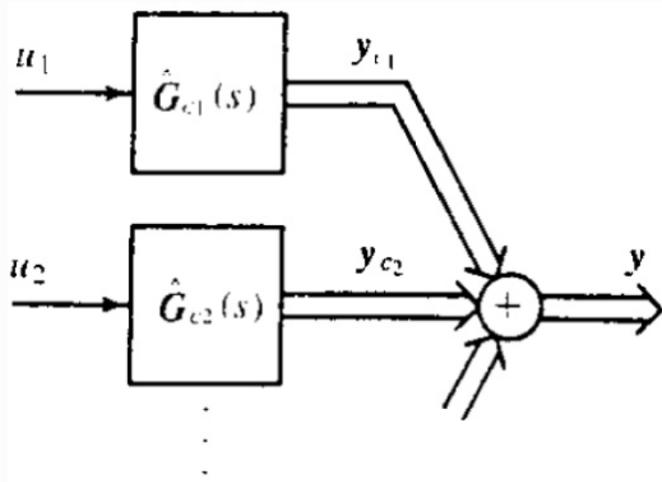
$$y(t) = \hat{\psi}(t)x(0) + (\hat{G} * u)(t) = \hat{\psi}(t)x(0) + \sum_{\tau=0}^t \hat{G}(t-\tau)u(\tau). \quad (1)$$

Comparing (1) with equation (4), we know the output given by (3) corresponds to the zero initial condition $x(0)=0$.

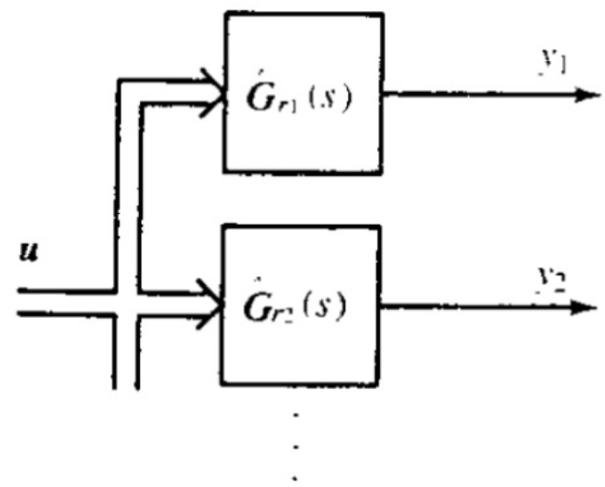
- Find a realization for the proper rational matrix (i.e., find the system matrices (A, B, C, D) of a continuous linear time invariant (CLTI) system whose transfer function is given by the following proper rational matrix,)

$$\hat{G}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{s+1} & \frac{2s-3}{(s+1)(s+2)} \\ \frac{s-2}{s+1} & \frac{s}{s+2} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (5)$$

- Find a realization for each column of $\hat{G}(s)$ above, and then connect them as shown in Figure 1(a) to obtain a realization of $\hat{G}(s)$. What is the dimension of this realization (i.e. dimension of matrix A)? Compare this dimension with the one in 1.



(a)



(b)

Figure 1: Connection

- Find a realization for each row of $\hat{G}(s)$ above, and then connect them as shown in Figure 1(b) to obtain a realization of $\hat{G}(s)$. What is the dimension of this realization (i.e. dimension of matrix A)? Compare this dimension with the one in part 1. and the one in part 2.

Solution: 1. $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \hat{G}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = D$.

$$\hat{G}_{sp}(s) = \hat{G}(s) - D = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{s+1} & \frac{2s-3}{(s+1)(s+2)} \\ \frac{-3}{s+1} & \frac{-2}{s+2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$d(s) = (s+1)(s+2) = s^2 + 3s + 2 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = 3, \alpha_2 = 2$$

$$\hat{G}_{sp}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 2(s+2) & 2s-3 \\ -3(s+2) & -2(s+1) \end{bmatrix} / d(s) = \frac{1}{d(s)} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow N_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, N_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Hence we have:}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 4 & -3 \\ -3 & -2 & -6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{G}_{c1}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{s+1} \\ \frac{s-2}{s+1} \end{bmatrix} \\ \hat{G}_{c2}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2s-3}{(s+1)(s+2)} \\ \frac{s}{s+2} \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D_{c1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \hat{G}_{spc1} = \frac{1}{s+1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \\ D_{c2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \hat{G}_{spc2} = \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-3 \\ -2(s+1) \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} da(s) = s+1 (\alpha_1=1), N_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} (n=1) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} dc_2(s) = s^2 + 3s + 2 (\alpha_1=3, \alpha_2=2), N_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, N_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} (n=2) \end{array} \right.$$

Hence we have: ($k=1$)

$$A_{C1} = -1, B_{C1} = 1, C_{C1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, D_{C1} = [0]$$

$$A_{C2} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B_{C2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, C_{C2} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, D_{C2} = [0].$$

As for connection (a), $u' = \begin{bmatrix} u_{C1} \\ u_{C2} \end{bmatrix}$, $y' = y_{C1} + y_{C2}$, we have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_{C1} \\ \dot{x}_{C2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{C1} & 0 \\ 0 & A_{C2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{C1} \\ x_{C2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_{C1} & 0 \\ 0 & B_{C2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{C1} \\ u_{C2} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \dot{x}' = A'x' + B'u'$$

$$y' = C_{C1}x_{C1} + D_{C1}u_{C1} + C_{C2}x_{C2} + D_{C2}u_{C2}$$

$$= [C_{C1}, C_{C2}] \begin{bmatrix} x_{C1} \\ x_{C2} \end{bmatrix} + [D_{C1}, D_{C2}] \begin{bmatrix} u_{C1} \\ u_{C2} \end{bmatrix} = C'x' + D'u'.$$

Hence the dimension of this realization is $1+2=3$, which is larger than that of 1.

$$\begin{cases} \hat{G}_{T1}(s) = \left[\frac{z}{s+1}, \frac{zs-3}{(s+1)(s+2)} \right] \\ \hat{G}_{T2}(s) = \left[\frac{s-2}{s+1}, \frac{s}{s+2} \right] \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} D_{T1} = [0, 0] \\ D_{T2} = [1, 1] \end{cases} \text{ Let } d(s) = (s+1)(s+2) = s^2 + 3s + 2,$$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{G}_{SPR1} = \frac{1}{d(s)} [z(s+2) \ zs-3] = \frac{1}{d(s)} ([z \ z]s + [4 \ -3]) \\ \hat{G}_{SPR2} = \frac{1}{d(s)} [-3(s+2) \ -2(s+1)] = \frac{1}{d(s)} ([-3 \ -2]s + [-6 \ -2]) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Hence we have: } A_{T1} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A_{T2} = A$$

$$B_{r1} = B_{r2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, C_{r1} = [2 \ 2 \ 4 \ -3], D_{r1} = [0, 0]$$

$$C_{r2} = [-3 \ -2 \ -6 \ -2], D_{r2} = [1, 1]$$

As for connection (b), $y' = \begin{bmatrix} y_{r1} \\ y_{r2} \end{bmatrix}$, we have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_{r1} \\ \dot{x}_{r2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{r1} & 0 \\ 0 & A_{r2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{r1} \\ x_{r2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_{r1} \\ B_{r2} \end{bmatrix} u \Rightarrow \dot{x}' = A'x' + B'u$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{r1} & 0 \\ 0 & C_{r2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{r1} \\ x_{r2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} D_{r1} \\ D_{r2} \end{bmatrix} u \Rightarrow y' = C'x' + D'u$$

Hence the dimension of this realization is $4+4=8$, which is much larger than both 1 and 2.