
LINEAR SYSTEMS CONTROL
Solutions to Problems

Problem 3.14

- a. The characteristic polynomial for the control object can be found as:

$$P_{ch, \mathbf{A}} = \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda + 2 & 3 & -5 \\ -4 & \lambda - 5 & 5 \\ -3 & -4 & \lambda + 3 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^3 - 2\lambda - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = -4; \quad a_1 = -2; \quad a_2 = 0$$

- b. The system is controllable if $\det(\mathbf{M}_c) \neq 0$.

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{p}_2 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_1 + 0 \cdot \mathbf{p}_1 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{p}_3 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{p}_2 - 2\mathbf{p}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = [\mathbf{p}_3 \quad \mathbf{p}_2 \quad \mathbf{p}_1] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{P}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_t = \mathbf{A}_{cc} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B}_t = \mathbf{B}_{cc} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_t = \mathbf{C}_{cc} = [-2 \quad 1 \quad 0]$$

The system is not observable as $(\det(\mathbf{M}_o) = 0)$.

If one attempts to set up the transformation matrix \mathbf{Q} , one will have:

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Problem 3.14 (continued)

$$\mathbf{q}_1^T = \mathbf{C} = [-2 \quad -5 \quad 5]$$

$$\mathbf{q}_2^T = \mathbf{CA} + 0 \cdot \mathbf{C} = [-1 \quad -1 \quad 0]$$

$$\mathbf{q}_3^T = \mathbf{CA}^2 + 0 \cdot \mathbf{CA} - 2 \cdot \mathbf{C} = [10 \quad 18 \quad 20]$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_3^T \\ \mathbf{q}_2^T \\ \mathbf{q}_1^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 18 & -20 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

\mathbf{Q} is singular and therefore the observer canonical form cannot be found by a similarity transformation. However, the form can be found by duality as mentioned in section 3.9.3.

One finds that:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_{oc} = \mathbf{A}_{cc}^T &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \mathbf{B}_{oc} = \mathbf{C}_{cc}^T &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{C}_{oc} = \mathbf{B}_{cc}^T &= [0 \quad 0 \quad 1] \end{aligned}$$

Note that system $S(\mathbf{A}_{oc}, \mathbf{B}_{oc}, \mathbf{C}_{oc})$ is observable but not controllable.

The system $S(\mathbf{A}_{cc}, \mathbf{B}_{cc}, \mathbf{C}_{occ})$ is controllable but not observable.

- c. The transfer function can be determined directly from the controller canonical form:

$$\begin{aligned} G(s) &= \frac{s-2}{s^3-2s-4} = \frac{s-2}{(s-2)(s+1+j)(s+1-j)} \\ &= \frac{1}{s^2+2s+2} \end{aligned}$$

- d. In systems which are not controllable as well as observable it is always possible to cancel zeros/poles in the transfer function.

Note that this is only true for SISO-systems, see for example section 3.9.4. □