

# Gate Assignment 3 Presentation

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# Question

## Problem (EC-2005 Q25)

A linear system is equivalently represented by two sets of state equations:

$$\dot{X} = AX + BU \text{ and } \dot{W} = CW + DU$$

Eigenvalues of the representations are also computed as  $[\lambda]$  and  $[\mu]$ .  
Which of the following is true?

- 1  $[\lambda] = [\mu]$  and  $X = W$
- 2  $[\lambda] = [\mu]$  and  $X \neq W$
- 3  $[\lambda] \neq [\mu]$  and  $X = W$
- 4  $[\lambda] \neq [\mu]$  and  $X \neq W$

## Few prerequisites

### Definition (State Space representation)

It is a mathematical model of a physical system, as a set of input, output and state variables related by first order difference or differential equations. The most general state representation of a linear system with  $p$  inputs,  $q$  outputs, and  $n$  state variables can be written as

$$\dot{X} = AX + BU \quad (1)$$

$$Y = CX + DU \quad (2)$$

where,  $X \in R^n$  is the state vector,  $Y \in R^q$  is the output vector,  $U \in R^p$  is input vector,  $A \in R^{n \times n}$  is the state matrix,  $B \in R^{n \times p}$  is input matrix,  $C \in R^{q \times n}$  is output matrix,  $D \in R^{q \times p}$  is feedthrough matrix.

## Definition (Eigen values of State Space representation)

These are the solutions of the charecteristic equation

$$\Delta(\lambda) = \det(\lambda I - A) = 0 \quad (3)$$

where  $A$  is the state matrix.

## Theorem

*Consider the  $n$ -dimensional continuous time linear system*

$$\dot{X} = AX + BU, Y = CX + DU \quad (4)$$

*Let  $T$  be an  $n \times n$  real non-singular matrix and let  $\bar{X} = TX$ . Then the state equation*

$$\dot{\bar{X}} = \bar{A}\bar{X} + \bar{B}U, Y = \bar{C}\bar{X} + \bar{D}U \quad (5)$$

*where  $\bar{A} = TAT^{-1}$ ,  $\bar{B} = TB$ ,  $\bar{C} = CT^{-1}$ ,  $\bar{D} = D$  is said to be equivalent to (4).*

## Proof.

Given,  $\dot{X} = AX + BU$  and  $Y = CX + DU$ ,  $T$  is a non-singular matrix such that  $\bar{X} = TX$ . The same system can be defined using  $\bar{X}$  as the state,

$$\dot{\bar{X}} = T\dot{X} = TAX + TBU \quad (6)$$

$$= TAT^{-1}\bar{X} + TBU \quad (7)$$

$$Y = CX + DU = CT^{-1}\bar{X} + DU \quad (8)$$



## Theorem

*Equivalent state space representations have same set of eigen values*

## Proof.

For the representation in (4), the eigen values  $[\lambda]$  are such that

$$Ax = \lambda x \quad (9)$$

$$\Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)x = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \quad (11)$$

For the representation in (5), the eigen values  $[\mu]$ , are such that

$$\bar{A}x = \mu x \quad (12)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\bar{A} - \mu I)x = 0 \quad (13)$$

$$\Rightarrow (TAT^{-1} - \mu TT^{-1})x = 0 \quad (14)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(T(A - \mu I)T^{-1}) = 0 \quad (15)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A - \mu I) = 0 \quad (16)$$

Hence, equivalent state space representations have same set of eigen values. □

# Solution

Given,

$$\dot{X} = AX + BU \quad (17)$$

$$\dot{W} = CW + DU \quad (18)$$

represent the same system. Hence, using (3) and (4), we can conclude that

$$[\lambda] = [\mu] \text{ and } W = TX$$

where  $T$  need not be identity matrix.

Hence, option 2 is the correct answer.

## Solution Contd.

Let us now look at a numerical example to establish the correctness of the obtained result. Consider a SISO LTI system of order 2, represented by the equations

$$\dot{x}_1(t) = -x_1(t) + 1.5x_2(t) + 2u(t) \quad (19)$$

$$\dot{x}_2(t) = 4x_1(t) + u(t) \quad (20)$$

$$y(t) = 1.5x_1(t) + 0.625x_2(t) + u(t) \quad (21)$$



## Solution Contd.

Its state space representation can be given by (4), where

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix}, Y = y(t) \quad (22)$$

$$\dot{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \end{bmatrix}, U = u(t) \quad (23)$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1.5 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

$$C = [1.5 \quad 0.625], D = 1 \quad (25)$$

The eigen values for this state representation are

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = 0 \quad (26)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda + 1 & -1.5 \\ -4 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (27)$$

$$\lambda^2 + \lambda - 6 = 0 \quad (28)$$

$$[\lambda] = \{-3, 2\} \quad (29)$$

## Solution Contd.

Even if we swap the equations, they still should represent the same system.  
So, consider a different state space representation,

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} x_2(t) \\ x_1(t) \end{bmatrix}, Y = y(t) \quad (30)$$

$$\dot{W} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_2(t) \\ \dot{x}_1(t) \end{bmatrix}, U = u(t) \quad (31)$$

Clearly,  $X \neq W$  and  $W = TX$ , where  $T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . From (3)

$$\bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1.5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (32)$$

$$\bar{C} = [0.625 \quad 1.5], \bar{D} = 1 \quad (33)$$

## Solution Contd.

Also, the eigen values for this state representation are

$$\det(\mu I - A) = 0 \quad (34)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mu & -4 \\ -1.5 & \mu + 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (35)$$

$$\mu^2 + \mu - 6 = 0 \quad (36)$$

$$[\mu] = \{-3, 2\} \quad (37)$$

Hence, both the state space representations are equivalent, and satisfy  $[\lambda] = [\mu]$  and  $W = TX$ , where  $T$  need not be identity matrix.