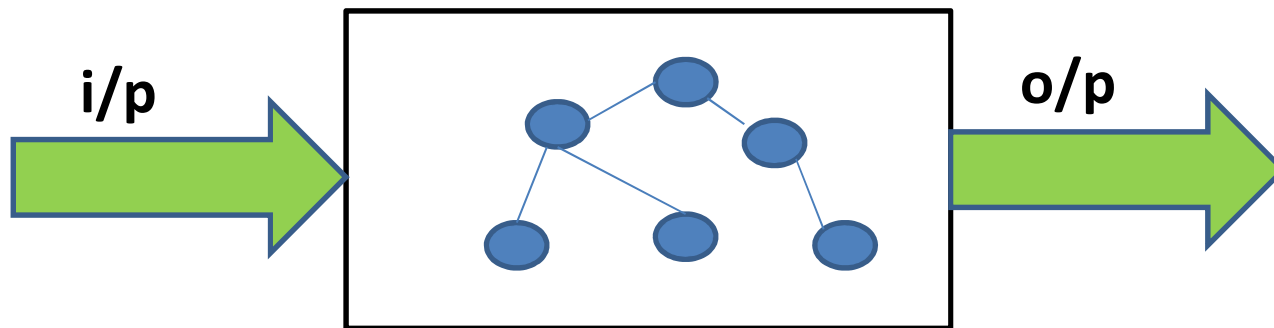


# Controllability and Observability

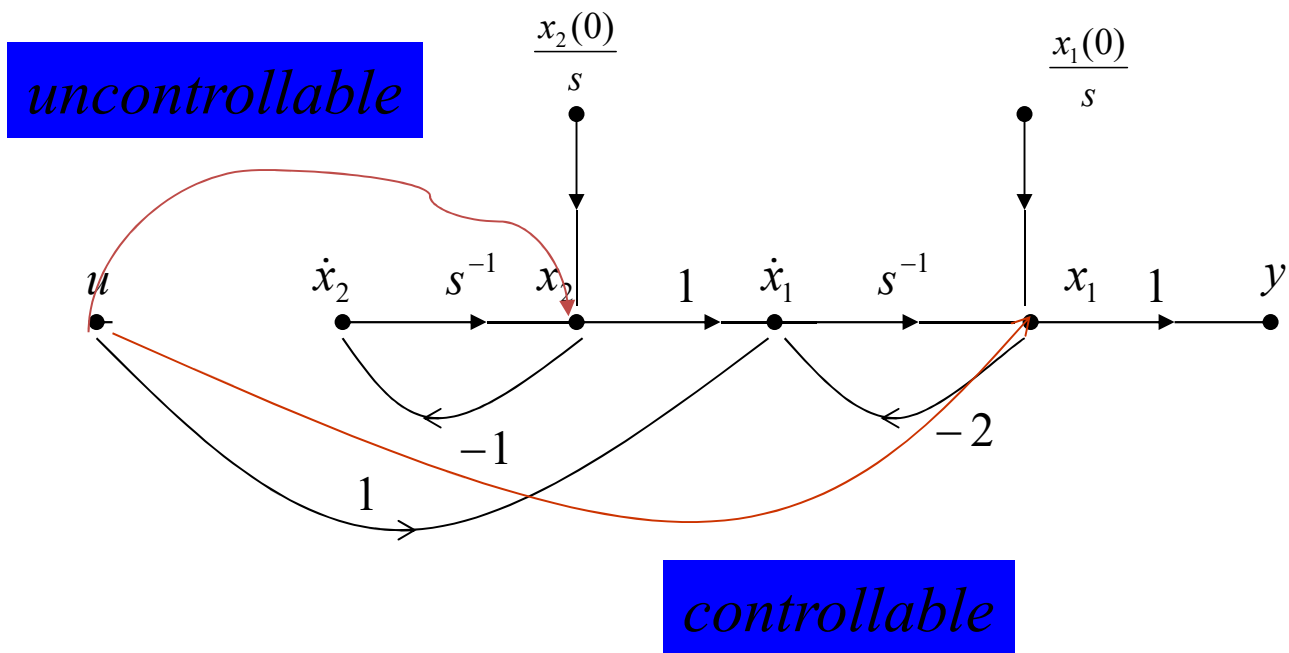
**Motivation 1**  
**Controllability and observability**



## Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Controllability

Plant:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + Bu, x \in R^n \\ y &= Cx + Du\end{aligned}$$

### Definition of Controllability

*A system is said to be (state) **controllable** at time  $t_0$ , if there exists a finite  $t_1 > t_0$  such that for any  $x(t_0)$  and any  $x_1$ , there exist an input  $u_{[t_0, t_1]}$  that will transfer the state  $x(t_0)$  to the state  $x_1$  at time  $t_1 - t_0$ , otherwise the system is said to be uncontrollable at time  $t_0$ .*

## Controllability Matrix

$$(A, B) \text{ Controllable} \Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(U) = n,$$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B & \cdots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix}$$

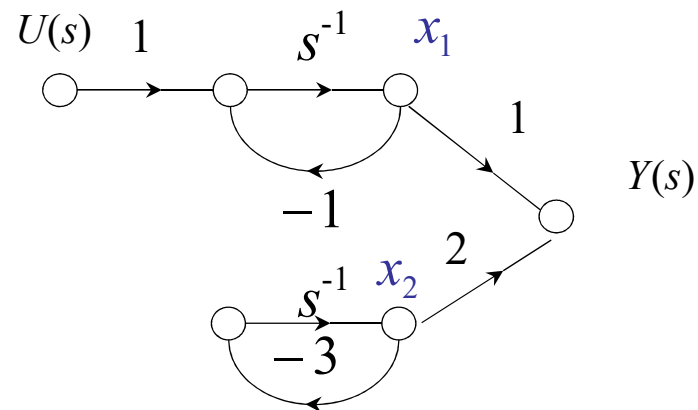
$$\Leftrightarrow \det(U) \neq 0 \quad \text{if } u \in R$$

Controllability Matrix  $U = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B & \cdots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix}$

Example:

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} x$$



※ State  $x_2$  is uncontrollable.

## Proof of controllability matrix

$$x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k$$

$$x_{k+2} = Ax_{k+1} + Bu_{k+1}$$

$$x_{k+2} = A(Ax_k + Bu_k) + Bu_{k+1} = A^2x_k + ABu_k + Bu_{k+1}$$

$$x_{k+n} = A^n x_k + A^{n-1}Bu_k + A^{n-2}Bu_{k+1} + \dots + ABu_{k+(n-2)} + Bu_{k+(n-1)}$$

$$x_{k+n} - A^n x_k = A^{n-1}Bu_k + A^{n-2}Bu_{k+1} + \dots + ABu_{k+(n-2)} + Bu_{k+(n-1)}$$

$$x_{k+n} - A^n x_k = \begin{bmatrix} A^{n-1}B & \dots & AB & B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_k \\ \vdots \\ u_{k+(n-2)} \\ u_{k+(n-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Initial condition

## Example

Check the controllability and stabilizability of the following system

$$\dot{x}_1(t) = x_1(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_2(t) = & -Kx_1(t)/3 - (2 + K/3)x_2(t) - Kx_3(t)/3 \\ & - x_4(t)/3 + Ky_d(t)/3\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_3(t) = & Kx_1(t)/2 + Kx_2(t)/2 + (-3 + K/2)x_3(t) \\ & + x_4(t)/2 - Ky_d(t)/2\end{aligned}$$

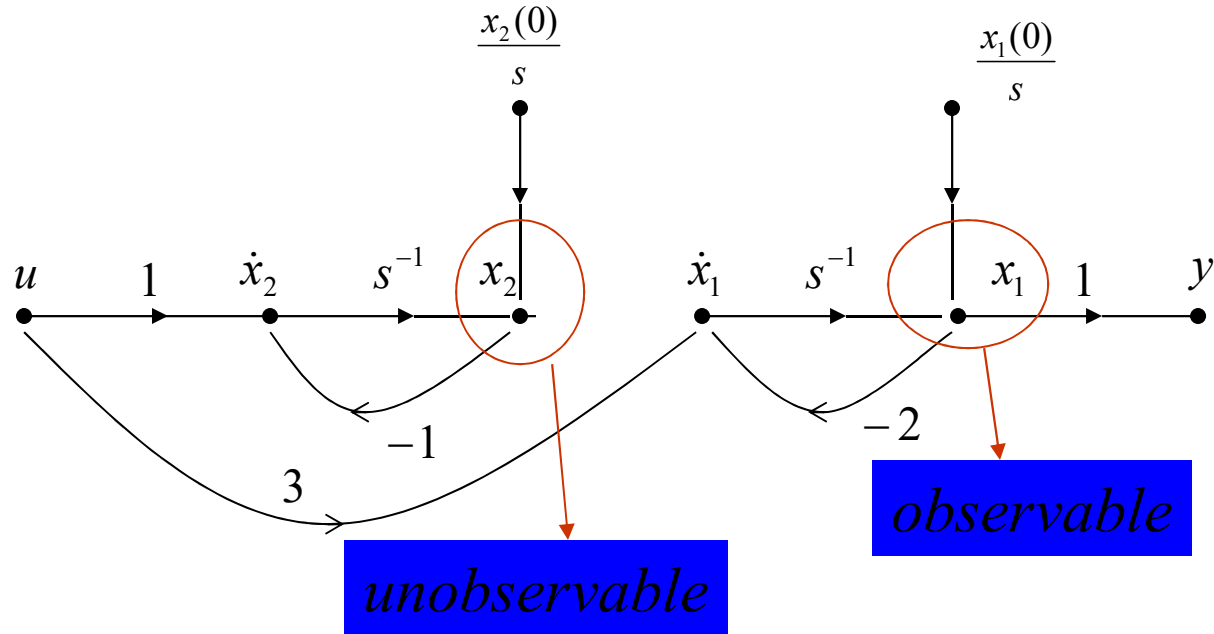
$$\dot{x}_4(t) = -Kx_1(t) - Kx_2(t) - Kx_3(t) + Ky_d(t)$$

The above system indicating an uncontrollable and unstable sub-system implies an unstabilizable system.

## Observability Concept

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$





## Definition of Observability

*A system is said to be (completely state) observable at time  $t_0$ , if there exists a finite  $t_1 > t_0$  such that for any  $x(t_0)$  at time  $t_0$ , the knowledge of the input  $u_{[t_0, t_1]}$  and the output  $y_{[t_0, t_1]}$  over the time interval  $[t_0, t_1]$  suffices to determine the state  $x_0$ , otherwise the system is said to be unobservable at  $t_0$ .*

## Observability Matrix

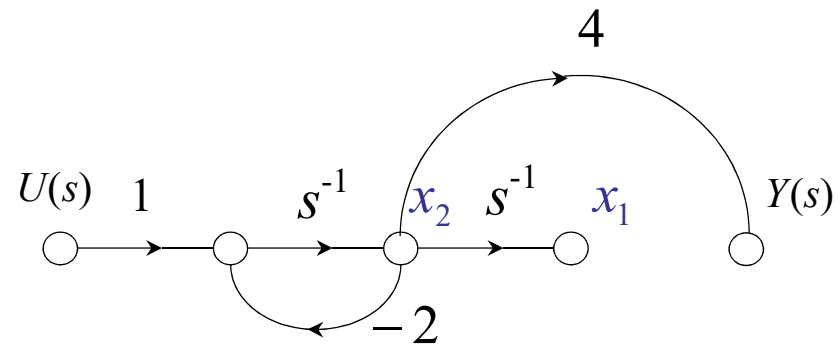
$$(A, C) \text{ Observable} \Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(V) = n \Leftrightarrow \det(V) \neq 0 \quad \text{if } y \in R$$

$$\text{Observability Matrix } V = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ CA^2 \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Example:

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} x$$



※ State  $x_1$  is unobservable.

## Proof of observability matrix

$$x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k$$

$$y_k = Cx_k + Du_k \cdots (1)$$

$$y_{k+1} = Cx_{k+1} + Du_{k+1}$$

$$y_{k+1} = C(Ax_k + Bu_k) + Du_{k+1} = CAx_k + CBu_k + Du_{k+1} \cdots (2)$$

$$y_{k+(n-1)} = CA^{n-1}x_k + CA^{n-2}Bu_k + CA^{n-3}Bu_{k+1} + \cdots + CBu_{k+(n-2)} + Du_{k+(n-1)} \cdots (n)$$

$$(1), (2), \cdots (n) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} x_k$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} y_k - Du_k y_{k+1} - CBu_k - Du_{k+1} & \cdots & \cdots & CABu_{k+(n-3)} - CBu_{k+(n-2)} - Du_{k+(n-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Inputs & outputs

## Example of controllability and observability

Plant:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + Bu, x \in R^n \\ y &= Cx + Du\end{aligned}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Controllability Matrix } V = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Observability Matrix } N = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{rank}(V) = \text{rank}(N) = 2$$

Hence the system is both controllable and observable.

### Theorem I

$$\dot{x}_c(t) = A_c x_c(t) + B_c u(t)$$

Controllable canonical form



Controllable

### Theorem II

$$\dot{x}_o(t) = A_o x_o(t) + B_o u(t)$$

$$y(t) = C_o x_o(t)$$

Observable canonical form

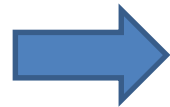


Observable

## Controllable Canonical Form

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1} s + b_n}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} s + a_n}$$

**Controllable  
Canonical Form**



$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_{n-1} \\ \dot{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ -a_n & -a_{n-1} & -a_{n-2} & \dots & -a_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} b_n & b_{n-1} & b_{n-2} & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

## Canonical Controllable Form

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{s + 3}{s^2 + 3s + 2}$$

$$a_1 = 3; a_2 = 2; b_0 = 0; b_1 = 1; b_2 = 3$$

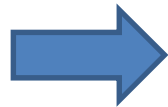
$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Observable Canonical Form

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1} s + b_n}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} s + a_n}$$

**Observable  
Canonical Form**



$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_{n-1} \\ \dot{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -a_n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -a_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -a_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & -a_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_n \\ b_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ b_2 \\ b_1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + b_0 u$$



## Observable Canonical Form Example

$$\frac{U(s)}{Y(s)} = \frac{s + 3}{s^2 + 3s + 2}$$

$$a_1 = 3; a_2 = 2; b_0 = 0; b_1 = 1; b_2 = 3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Observable and Controllable Canonical Forms Example

Note the relationship between the observable and controllable forms:

$$A_{obs} = A_{cont}^T; B_{obs} = C_{cont}^T; C_{obs} = B_{cont}^T; D_{obs} = D_{cont}$$

*example*  $\Rightarrow T(s) = \frac{s+2}{(s+1)(s+2)}$

Controllable  
canonical  
form

$$\dot{x}_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} x_c + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = [2 \quad 1] x_c$$

$$U = [B \quad AB] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{rank}[U] = 2 = n$$

$$\text{rank}[V] = 1 \neq n$$

Observable  
canonical  
form

$$\dot{x}_o = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} x_o + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = [0 \quad 1] x_o$$

$$U = [B \quad AB] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{rank}[U] = 1 \neq n$$

$$\text{rank}[V] = 2 = n$$

## Diagonal Canonical Form

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1} s + b_n}{(s + p_1)(s + p_2) \dots (s + p_n)}$$

$$\equiv b_0 + \frac{c_1}{s + p_1} + \frac{c_2}{s + p_2} + \dots + \frac{c_n}{s + p_n}$$

System in which the poles of the transfer function are arranged diagonally in the A matrix

Diagonal Canonical Form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -p_1 & & & 0 \\ & -p_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & -p_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & c_2 & \dots & c_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + b_0 u$$

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-p_1 t} & & & \\ & e^{-p_2 t} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & e^{-p_n t} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Example of Diagonal Canonical Form

$$\frac{U(s)}{Y(s)} = \frac{s+3}{s^2+3s+2} = \frac{s+3}{(s+1)(s+2)}$$

$$p_1 = 1; p_2 = 2; c_1 = 2; c_2 = 1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Jordan Canonical Form

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1} s + b_n}{(s + p_1)^3 (s + p_4)(s + p_5) \dots (s + p_n)}$$

This is a type of diagonal canonical form and in addition the transfer function involves multiple repeated poles

Jordan Canonical Form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \\ \dot{x}_4 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -p_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -p_1 & 1 & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & -p_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \dots & 0 & -p_4 & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & & -p_n \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = [c_1 \quad c_2 \quad \dots \quad c_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + b_0 u$$