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# **Linear Systems - Coordinates Change**

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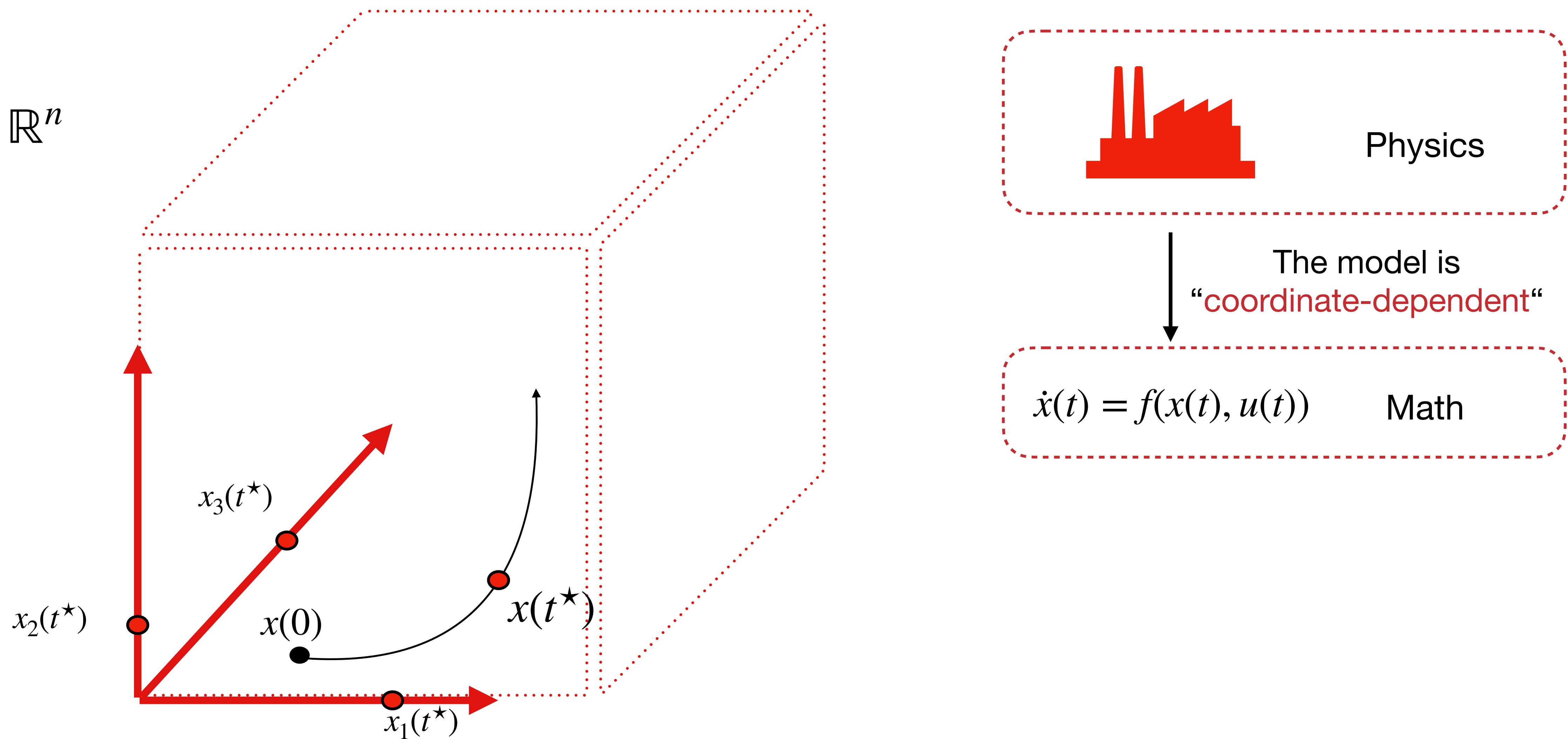
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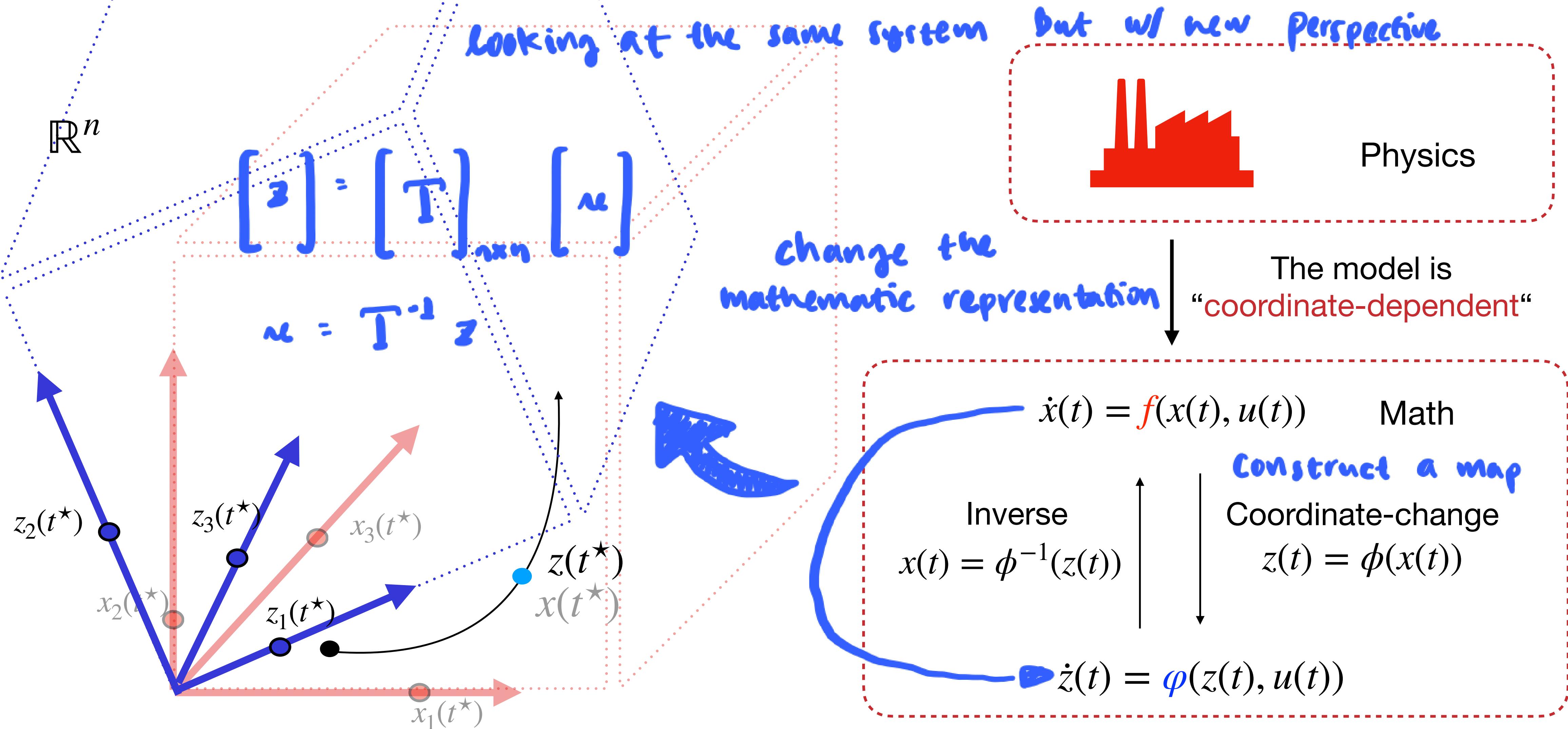
# Coordinates Change

A given SS model implicitly “hides” a coordinate framework in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with respect to which the vector  $x$  is described



# Coordinates Change

Idea: why not changing coordinate framework to obtain a description “better” than the original one?

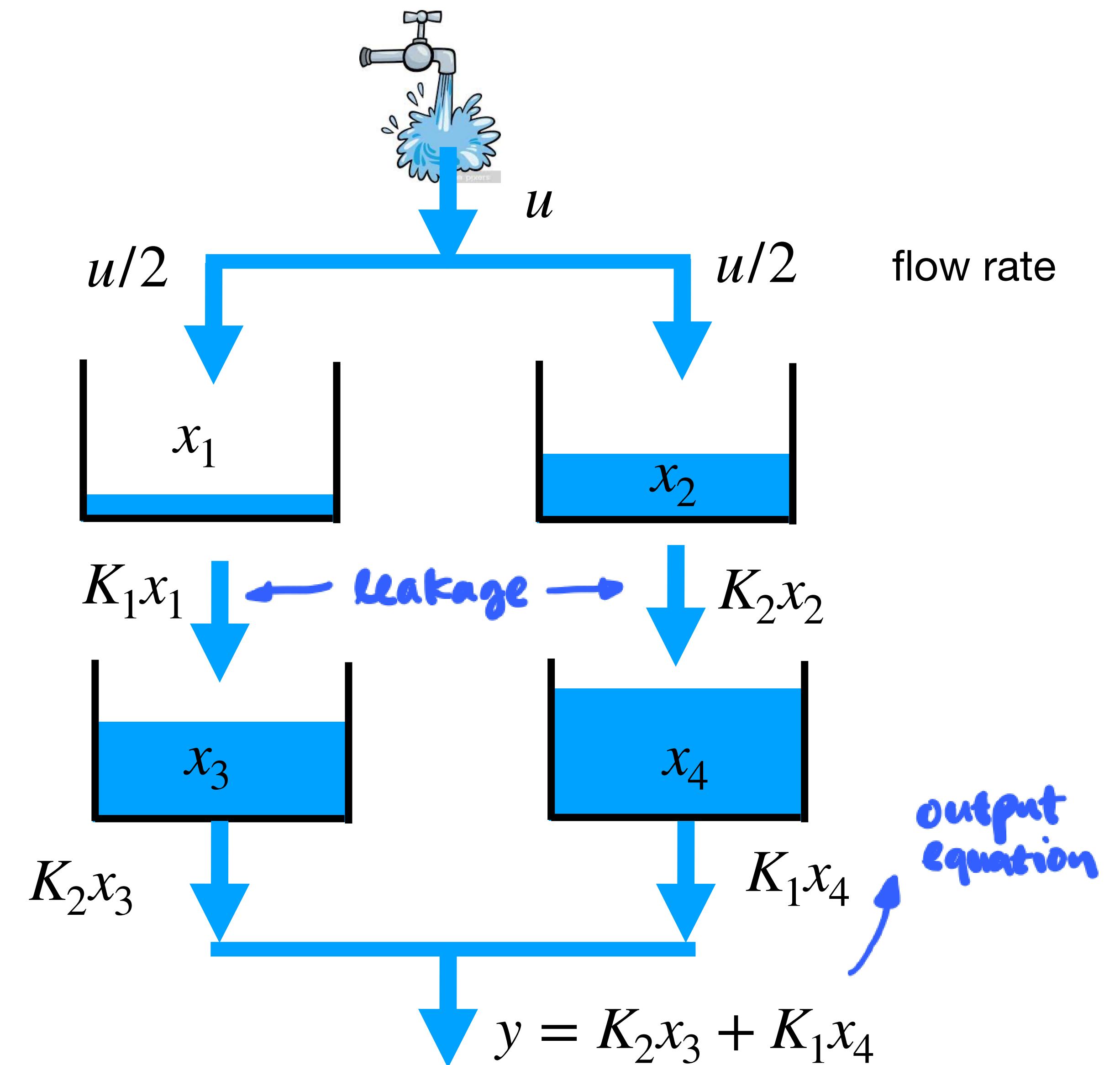


# Coordinates Change

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What “better” means?

Motivating example: Hydraulic system



## COORDINATE CHANGE : HYDRAULIC CASE

$$\dot{n}_1 = \frac{u}{2} - k_1 n_1$$

$$\dot{n}_2 = \frac{u}{2} - k_2 n_2$$

$$\dot{n}_3 = k_1 n_1 - k_2 n_3$$

$$\dot{n}_4 = k_2 n_2 - k_1 n_4$$

$$y = k_2 n_3 + k_1 n_4$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -k_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -k_2 & 0 & 0 \\ k_1 & 0 & -k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & k_2 & 0 & -k_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{y}{2} \\ \frac{y}{2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = [0 \ 0 \ k_2 \ k_1]$$



$$z_1 = y$$

$$z_2 = k_2 n_3 - k_1 n_4$$

$$z_3 = y$$

$$z_4 = \dot{z}_2$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & k_2 & k_1 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 & -k_1 \\ k_1 k_2 & k_1 k_2 & -k_1^2 & -k_1^2 \\ k_1 k_2 & -k_1 k_2 & -k_1^2 & -k_1^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

non-singular  $T^{-1}$

$$Z = T^{-1} \mathbf{n}$$



$$\dot{Z} = T \ddot{\mathbf{n}} = T(A\mathbf{n} + Bu)$$

$$\dot{Z} = \underbrace{TAT^{-1}Z}_{\tilde{A}} + \underbrace{TBu}_{\tilde{B}}$$

$$y = Cn = \underbrace{CT^{-1}Z}_{\tilde{C}}$$

# → diag. matrix

$$\tilde{A} = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \tilde{A}_1 & 0_{2 \times 2} \\ \hline 0_{2 \times 2} & \tilde{A}_1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\tilde{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -k_1 k_2 & -(k_1, k_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{B} = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \tilde{B}_1 \\ \hline 0_{2 \times 1} \end{array} \right] \quad \tilde{B}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ k_1, k_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{C} = [\tilde{C}_1 \mid 0_{1 \times 2}] \quad \tilde{C}_1 = [1 \ 0]$$

$u \rightarrow$

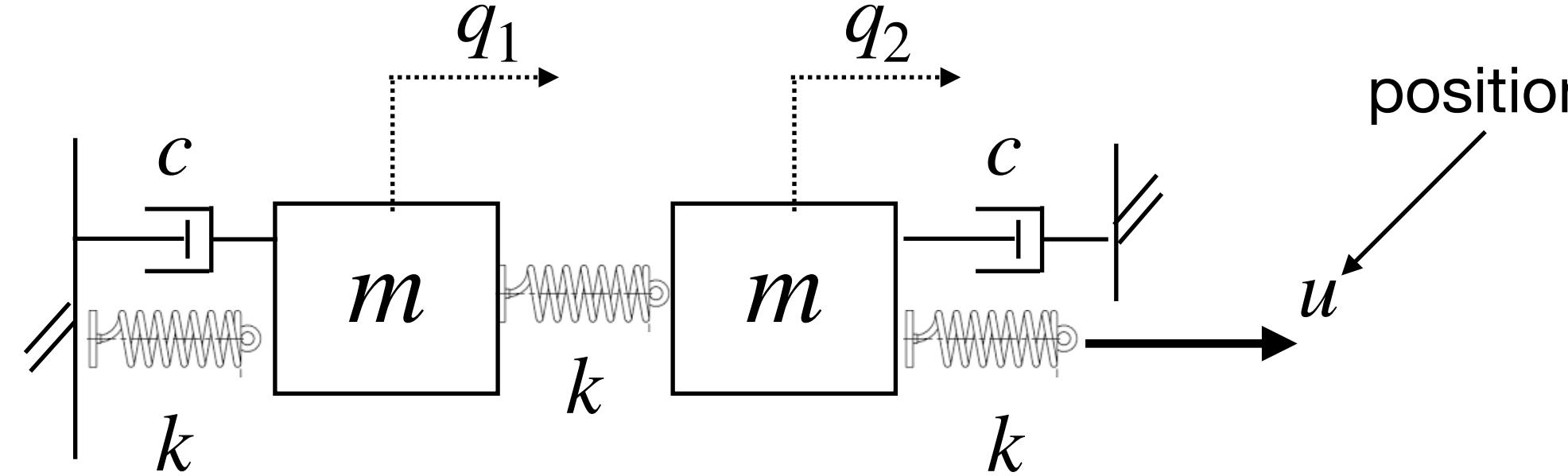
$\tilde{A}_1$	$\tilde{B}_1$
$\tilde{C}_1$	

$\rightarrow y$

$\tilde{A}_1$	0
0	0

# Coordinates Change

Other motivating example: mechanical system



**Homework:** Compute and interprete the system by using the change of coordinates:

$$z_1 = \frac{1}{2}(x_1 + x_2), \quad z_2 = \frac{1}{2}(x_3 + x_4), \quad z_3 = \frac{1}{2}(x_1 - x_2), \quad z_4 = \frac{1}{2}(x_3 - x_4)$$

$$m_1 \ddot{q}_1 = -2kq_1 - c\dot{q}_1 + kq_2$$

$$m_2 \ddot{q}_2 = kq_1 - 2kq_2 - c\dot{q}_2 + ku$$

$$x := (q_1 \quad q_2 \quad \dot{q}_1 \quad \dot{q}_2)^T$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{2k}{m} & \frac{k}{m} & -\frac{c}{m} & 0 \\ \frac{k}{m} & -\frac{2k}{m} & 0 & -\frac{c}{m} \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{k}{m} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Coordinates Change - The Linear Case

Linear change of coordinates  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$z = Tx$$

$T$  is a  $n \times n$  nonsingular matrix

$$x = T^{-1}z$$

Geometric interpretation of the column of  $T$ :

Equivalent / Similar

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) \\ x(t+1) \end{cases} = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$$

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

$$z = Tx$$

$$x = T^{-1}z$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{z}(t) \\ z(t+1) \end{cases} = \tilde{A}z(t) + \tilde{B}u(t)$$

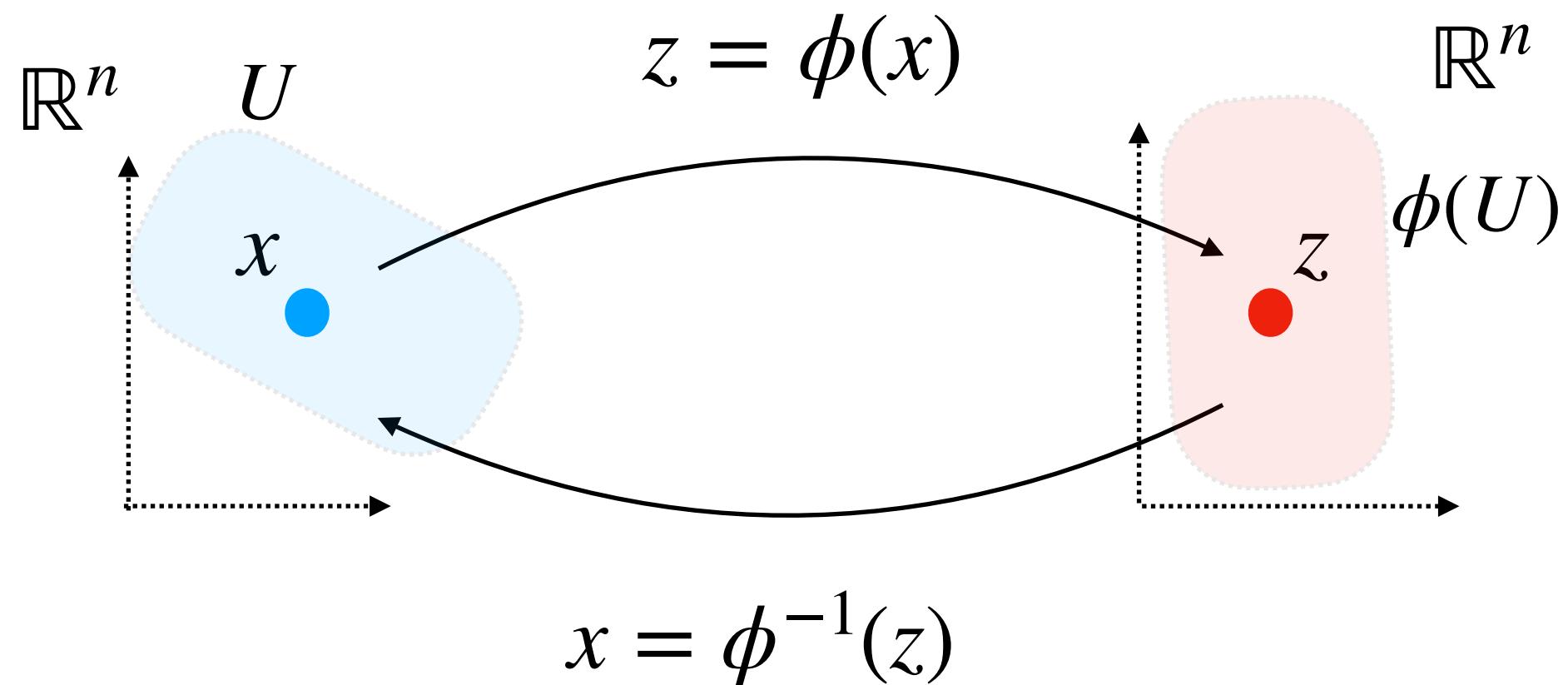
$$y(t) = \tilde{C}z(t) + \tilde{D}u(t)$$

$$\tilde{A} = TAT^{-1}, \quad \tilde{B} = TB, \quad \tilde{C} = CT^{-1}, \quad \tilde{D} = D$$

$\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be a **global diffeomorphism** if

- it is smooth (“differentiable a sufficiently high number of times”)
- there exists a  $\phi^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  
 $\phi^{-1}(\phi(x)) = x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

**Local diffeomorphism** defined similarly but with the previous definitions and properties that hold only in a set  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$



Relevant class of **input-affine** systems

$$\dot{x} = f(x) + g(x)u$$

$$y = h(x)$$

$$z = \phi(x)$$

$$x = \phi^{-1}(z)$$

**Diffeomorphic**

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{z} &= \tilde{f}(z) + \tilde{g}(z)u \\ y &= \tilde{h}(z)\end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{f}(z) := \left. \frac{d\phi(x)}{dx} f(x) \right|_{x=\phi^{-1}(z)}$$

$$\tilde{g}(z) := \left. \frac{d\phi(x)}{dx} g(x) \right|_{x=\phi^{-1}(z)}$$

$$\tilde{h}(z) := h(\phi^{-1}(z))$$

## The Linear Systems case

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- Diagonalization of a matrix ✓
- Jordan form
- Schur decomposition
- Brunowsky canonical form

## Brief Recall

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- Characteristic polynomial linked to  $A$
- Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors
- Geometric and Algebraic Multiplicity
- Generalised Eigenvectors
- Eigenspace

# CHARACTERISTIC POLYNOMIAL

$A_{n \times n}$

$$\varphi_A(\lambda) = \lambda^n + a_1 \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$$

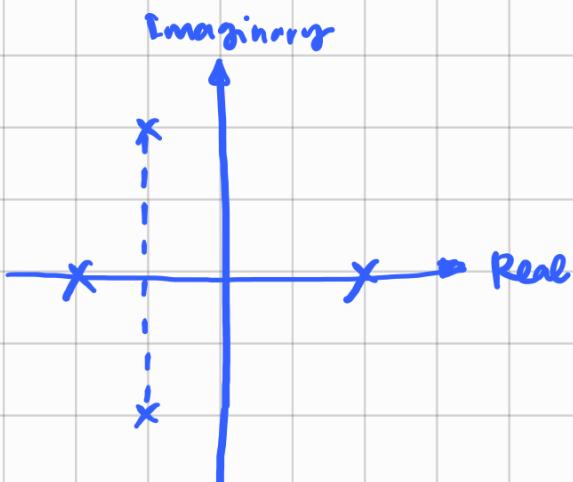
$\stackrel{\triangle}{=} \det(\lambda I_n - A)$

characteristic polynomial

$$\varphi_A(\lambda) = 0 \leftarrow \text{characteristic equation}$$

## DEFINITION

The  $\lambda_i^*$ :  $\varphi_A(\lambda_i^*) = 0$  are eigenvalues when  
 $\det(\lambda_i^* I - A) = 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$



$$\varphi_A(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1^*) (\lambda - \lambda_2^*) \dots (\lambda - \lambda_n^*)$$

## DEFINITION

Algebraic multiplicity  $a_i$  of  $\lambda_i^*$   $\equiv$  multiplicity of  $\lambda_i^{**}$  as root of  $\Psi_A(\lambda) = 0$

$$\Psi_A(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1^*)^{a_1} (\lambda - \lambda_2^*)^{a_2} \cdots (\lambda - \lambda_r^*)^{a_r}$$

$r$  is the number of distinct Eigenvalues

$$\sum_{i=1}^r a_i = n$$

## CAYLEY - HAMILTON THEOREM

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi(A) &= A^n + \alpha_1 A^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} A + \alpha_n I_n \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

## DEFINITION

Minimum polynomial of  $A$   $\Psi_A(\lambda)$  of minimum order ( $\leq n$ )  $\Psi_A(A) = 0$

with order  $n$  or lower

Example:

$$A = I_n$$

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - 1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & \ddots & \lambda - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Psi_L(\lambda) = (\lambda - 1)^n,$$

$$\lambda_1^n = 1$$

$a_1 = n \Rightarrow$  algeb. mult.

$$\Psi_L(\lambda) = (\lambda - 1)$$

EIGENVECTORS ( $v_i^*$ ) linked to a certain eigenvalue  $\lambda_i^*$

$\uparrow \mathbb{R}^n$  (vector)

By the definition of eigenvalue  $\det(\lambda_i^* I - A) = 0$   
the kernel  $(\lambda_i^* I - A)$  is non trivial



### DEFINITION of kernel

Suppose  $M_{k \times c}$ , the kernel  $M = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^c : Mv = 0\}$

map to ↗

$$\exists v_i^* : [(\lambda_i^* I - A) v_i^* = 0]$$



$$\lambda_i^* v_i^* = \Delta v_i^*$$

$$\Delta v_i^*$$



The kernel of  $(\lambda_i^* I - A)$  is a subspace

### DEFINITION

The geometric multiplicity linked to  $\lambda_i^*$  is the dimension of kernel  $(\lambda_i^* I - A)$



Example:

Suppose  $A = I$ ,  $\lambda_i^* = 1$ ,  $a_i = n$

$$(\lambda_i^* I - I) = \begin{pmatrix} 0_{n \times n} \end{pmatrix}$$

The kernel of  $0_{n \times n} = \mathbb{R}^n$ , the geometric multiplicity  $g_i = n$ .

The result :  $g_i \leq a_i$ .

If there are  $\lambda_i^* \neq \lambda_j^*$ . They are linearly independent.



Hence,

$$\sum_{i=1}^r a_i = n, \quad \sum_{i=1}^r g_i \leq n$$

Suppose an assumption  $\alpha_i = \alpha_i$ ,  $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, r$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^* & \lambda_2^* & \dots & \lambda_r^* \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \lambda_1^* & \lambda_2^* & \dots & \lambda_r^* \end{bmatrix} := T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^* & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \lambda_r^* & \\ & & & \lambda_1^* & \lambda_2^* & \dots & \lambda_r^* \end{bmatrix} T = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^* & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \lambda_r^* & \\ & & & \lambda_1^* & \lambda_2^* & \dots & \lambda_r^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonal matrix

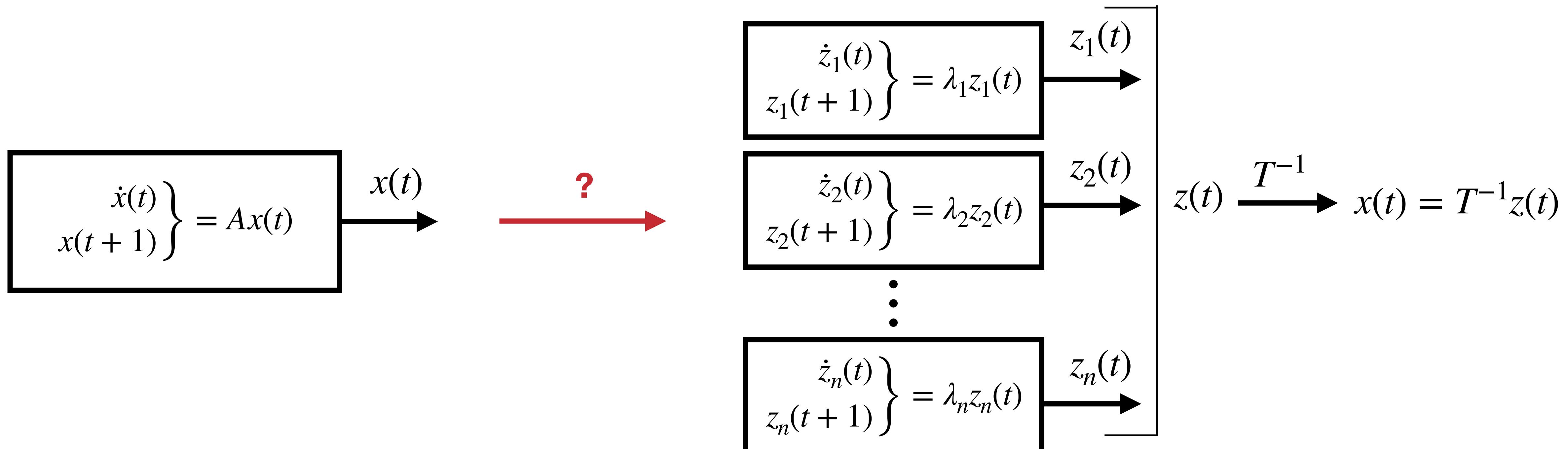
# Diagonalization of a Matrix

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**Problem:** Given a generic matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ , is there a change of variable  $T$  making the matrix  $TAT^{-1}$  diagonal?

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{?}} \tilde{A} = TAT^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

**System perspective:** Given a generic linear system is it possible to see it as the “parallel” of  $n$  scalar subsystems?



# Diagonalization of a Matrix

*Set of A's eigenvalues*

**Result:** Let  $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r\}$  be set of distinct (real or complex conjugate) eigenvalues of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $g_i \geq 1, i = 1, \dots, r$ , be the geometric multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$ . If

$$\sum_{i=1}^r g_i = n$$

*number of distinct eigenvalues*

then the matrix  $A$  is similar to a diagonal matrix.

$$T^{-1} = [\vec{v}_{11} \dots \vec{v}_{1g_1} \dots \vec{v}_{r1} \dots \vec{v}_{rg_r}]$$

relative to  $\lambda_1$

relative to  $\lambda_r$

$n \times n$  non singular

**Remark:**  $\lambda_i$  could be real or complex. If complex, there necessarily exists a  $\lambda_j$  that is its conjugate. In that case, the blocks linked to  $(\lambda_i, \lambda_j)$  can be compacted by obtaining a real representation (see next)

$$\tilde{A} = TAT^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \xleftarrow{g_1 \times g_1} \\ \dots \\ 0 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_r & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_r & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_r \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{g_r \times g_r} \\ \dots \\ 0 \end{matrix}$$

## Diagonalization of a Matrix

complex

Suppose that  $\lambda_i = a_i + jb_i$  and  $\lambda_{i+1} = a_i - jb_i$  (complex conjugate pair,  $a_i, b_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ). Let  $\vec{v}_i = \vec{u}_i + j\vec{w}_i$ ,  $\vec{u}_i, \vec{w}_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $\vec{v}_{i+1}$  be the two linearly independent eigenvectors relative to  $(\lambda_i, \lambda_{i+1})$ . It turns out that  $\vec{v}_{i+1} = \vec{u}_i - j\vec{w}_i$  (complex conjugate of  $\vec{v}_i$ ) and that  $\vec{u}_i$  and  $\vec{w}_i$  are linearly independent vectors (also linearly independent to all the others eigenvectors  $\vec{v}_j$ )

**eigenvectors are a complex conjugate pair**

**eigenvalues**

$$A\vec{v}_i = \lambda_i \vec{v}_i \quad \xrightarrow{\text{eigenvector}} \quad A(\vec{u}_i + j\vec{w}_i) = (a_i + jb_i)(\vec{u}_i + j\vec{w}_i) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{real part } a_i \vec{u}_i + b_i \vec{w}_i + j(b_i \vec{u}_i + a_i \vec{w}_i)} \begin{cases} A\vec{u}_i = a_i \vec{u}_i - b_i \vec{w}_i \\ A\vec{w}_i = a_i \vec{w}_i + b_i \vec{u}_i \end{cases}$$

$$A\vec{v}_{i+1} = \lambda_{i+1} \vec{v}_{i+1} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{the same}} \quad A(\vec{u}_i - j\vec{w}_i) = (a_i - jb_i)(\vec{u}_i - j\vec{w}_i) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{the same}}$$

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdot & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdot & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \begin{pmatrix} a_i & b_i \\ -b_i & a_i \end{pmatrix} & \cdot \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{n \times n \quad A \begin{bmatrix} \vec{u}_i & \vec{w}_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{u}_i & \vec{w}_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_i & b_i \\ -b_i & a_i \end{pmatrix} \quad n \times 2}$$

Use  $[\vec{u}_i \vec{w}_i]$  in place of  $[\vec{v}_i \vec{v}_{i+1}]$

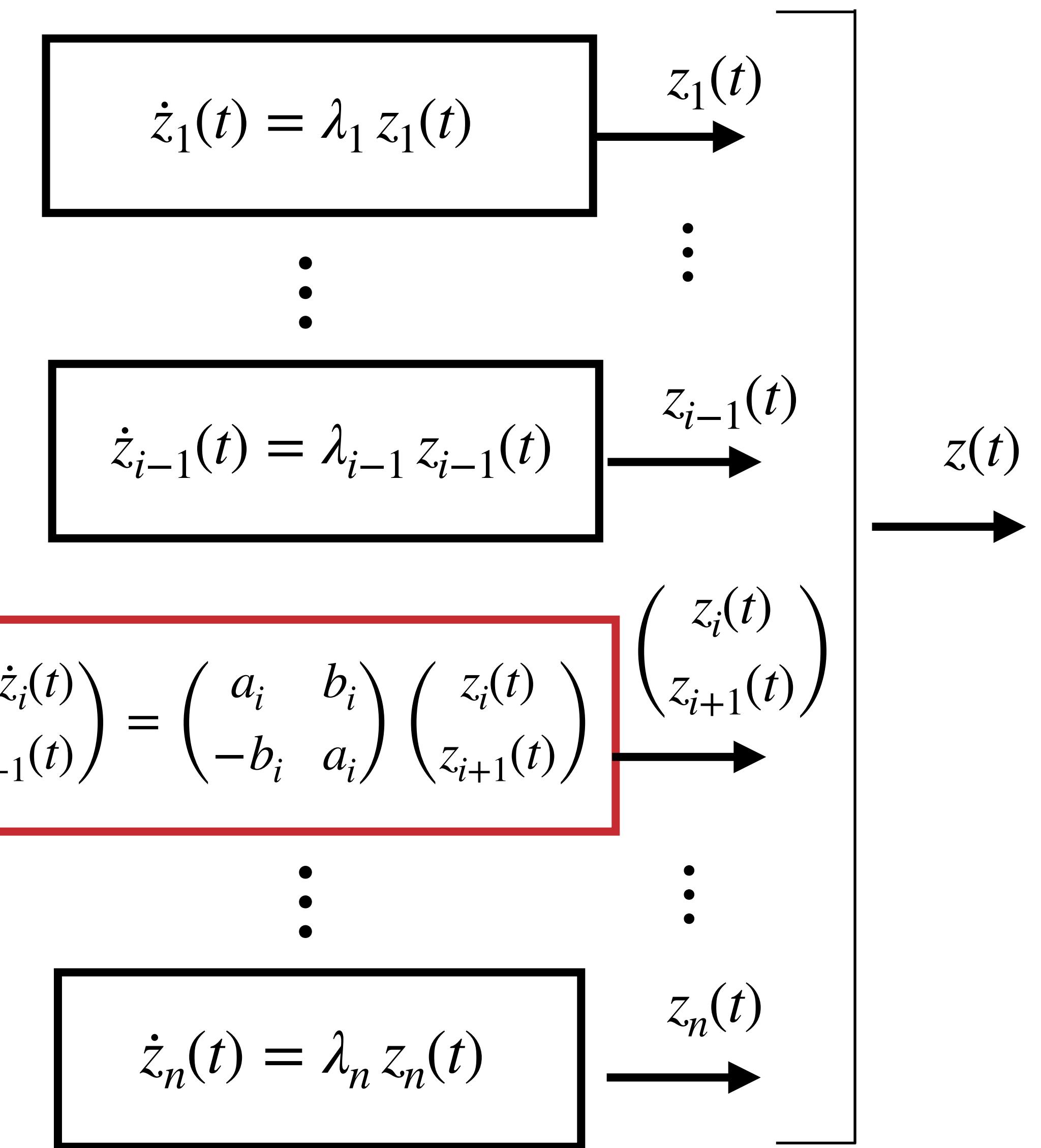
# Diagonalization of a Matrix

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$$\boxed{\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t)} \quad x(t)$$

Analogously  $x(t+1) = Ax(t)$

Equivalent



## GENERALIZED EIGENVECTOR ( $\lambda_i^*$ )

↓ OF ORDER  $k \geq 1$

$$v_{i,k}^* : (\lambda_i^* I_n - A)^k v_{i,k}^* \neq 0 \text{ for } k = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$$

$$(\lambda_i^* I_n - A)^k v_{i,k}^* = 0$$

order,  
not a power  
rank

$$\underbrace{\lambda_1^*(a_1, g_1)}_{v_{11}^{*1} \dots v_{1g_1}^{*1}} \quad \underbrace{\lambda_2^*(a_2, g_2)}_{v_{21}^{*1} \dots v_{2g_2}^{*1}} \quad \underbrace{\lambda_r^*(a_r, g_r)}_{v_{r1}^{*1} \dots v_{rg_r}^{*1}}$$

r is number  
of distinct  
eigenvalues

$$\sum_{i=1}^r g_i < n$$

The procedure for constructing "chains" or generalized eigenvector:

$$v^* \neq 0 \quad v_i^* \in \text{kernel}(\lambda_i^* I - A) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{equals to } 0}$$

Assumption: suppose that  $v_i^* \in \text{image } I_n(\lambda^* I - A)$

SPAN  
OF A MATRIX:

$M_{R \times C}$

Span M =  $\{v \in \mathbb{R}^R : v = Mw\}$  for some  $w \in \mathbb{R}^C$

$$\exists v_i^{*2} : v_i^{*2} = (\lambda_i^* I - A) v_i^{*1}$$

is not 0

also not 0

a generalized eigenvector order 2

$$\text{also, } (\lambda_i^* I - A) \boxed{(\lambda_i^* I - A) v_i^{*2}} = 0$$

$v_i^{*1}$

$$\lambda_1^*(a_1, g_1)$$

$$v_{11}^{*1} \dots v_{1g_1}^{*1}$$

$$\lambda_2^*(a_2, g_2)$$

$$v_{21}^{*1} \dots v_{2g_2}^{*1}$$

$$\lambda_r^*(a_r, g_r)$$

$$v_{r1}^{*1} \dots v_{rg_r}^{*1}$$

if  $v_{11}^{*1} \in \text{image}(\lambda_1^* I - A)$

$$v_{11}^{*2}$$

$$v_{1g_1}^{*2}$$

if  $v_{11}^{*2} \in \text{image}(\lambda_1^* I - A)$

$$v_{11}^{*3}$$

$$v_i^{*(k-1)} : (\lambda_i^* I_n - A)^k v_i^{*k} \neq 0$$

where  $k=0, 1, \dots, k-2$

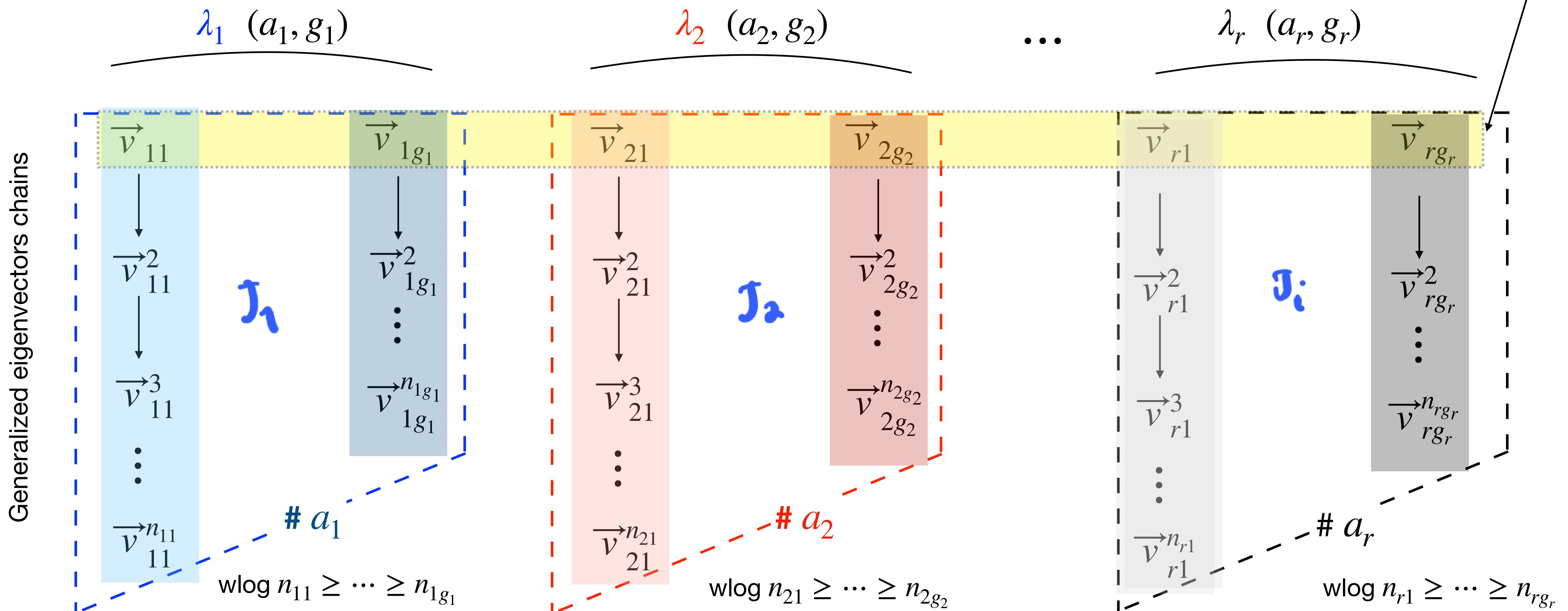
$$(\lambda_i^* I_n - A)^{(k-1)} v_i^{*(k-1)} = 0$$

Assume if  $v_i^{*(k-1)} \in \text{image}(\lambda_i^* I_n - A)$ , there exists  $\exists v_i^{*k}$ ,  $v_i^{*(k-1)} = (\lambda_i^* I_n - A) v_i^{*k}$

# Jordan Form

Suppose now that the matrix  $A$  is not diagonalisable, namely  $\sum_{i=1}^r g_i < n$ . What is the closest to a diagonal shape that can be achieved?

Linearly independent but  $< n$



**Result:** The whole set is linearly independent and  $= n$

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# Jordan Form

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$$T^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_{11} & \vec{v}_{11}^2 & \dots & \vec{v}_{11}^{n_{11}} & \dots & \vec{v}_{1g_1} & \dots & \vec{v}_{1g_1}^{n_{1g_1}} & \vec{v}_{21} & \dots & \vec{v}_{21}^{n_{21}} & \dots & \vec{v}_{2g_2} & \dots & \vec{v}_{2g_2}^{n_{2g_2}} & \dots & \vec{v}_{rg_r} & \dots & \vec{v}_{rg_r}^{n_{rg_r}} \end{bmatrix}$$

*zoom it!*

$$\tilde{A} = TAT^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & & & & \\ 0 & J_2 & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & J_r \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

**Jordan blocks**

$$J_i = \begin{pmatrix} J_{i1} & & & & \\ 0 & J_{i2} & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & J_{ig_i} \end{pmatrix}_{a_i \times a_i} \quad i = 1 \dots r$$

**Mini Jordan blocks**

$$J_{ik} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_i & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda_i \end{pmatrix}_{n_{ik} \times n_{ik}} \quad k = 1 \dots g_i$$

*J could be scalars or matrices*

Nested block diagonal form following the structure of the generalised eigenvectors chain

“Almost”diagonal

## Jordan Form - Example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is it diagonalizable or in Jordan form?

1. Determine  $\chi_A(\lambda) = \det(\lambda I - A) = \det$

characteristic  
polynomial of A

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda-1 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & \lambda-2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \lambda-1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (\lambda-1) \det \begin{vmatrix} \lambda-2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \lambda-1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda-1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(\lambda-2) \det \begin{vmatrix} \lambda-1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda-1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(\lambda-1)^2$$

$$= (\lambda-1)^3 (\lambda-2)$$

2. Determine the algebraic multiplicity, distinct eigenvalues, and rank

$$(\lambda - 1)^3 (\lambda - 2)$$

$\rightarrow \alpha_1 = 3, g_1 = ?$

$\rightarrow r = 2$  (distinct eigen values)

$\rightarrow n = 4$

$\rightarrow \alpha_2 = 1, g_2 = 1$

Determine  $g_2$

$$(\lambda_2^* I - A) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\lambda_2^* I - A) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. What is the kernel  $(\lambda_2^* I - A)$ ?

Remember:

$$\lambda_1^* = 1 (\alpha_1 = 3, g_1 = ?) \quad \lambda_2^* = 2 (\alpha_2 = g_2 = 1)$$

$$v_{11}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_{12}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow g_1 = 2$$

4. what is the kernel ( $\lambda_2^* I - A$ )?

$$v_{21}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

↳ no way to generate

5. Is  $v_{11}^* \in \text{image}(I - A)$ ? Yes...

$$(I - A) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = v_{11}^*$$

$$v_{11}^{*2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. So the Jordan form of  $T^{-1}$ ...

$$T^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$v_{11}^*$     $v_{11}^{*2}$     $v_{12}^*$     $v_{11}^*$

7. What is  $\widehat{A}$ ?

$$\tilde{A} = TAT^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (J_1)_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 1} \\ 0_{1 \times 3} & (J_2)_{1 \times 1}^{\approx 2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Remember:

$$\lambda_1^* = 1$$

$$\lambda_2^* = 2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (J_{11})_{2 \times 2} \\ (J_{12})_{2 \times 1} \\ U_1 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Schur decomposition

(or lower)

All the matrices are similar to upper (lower) triangular matrices

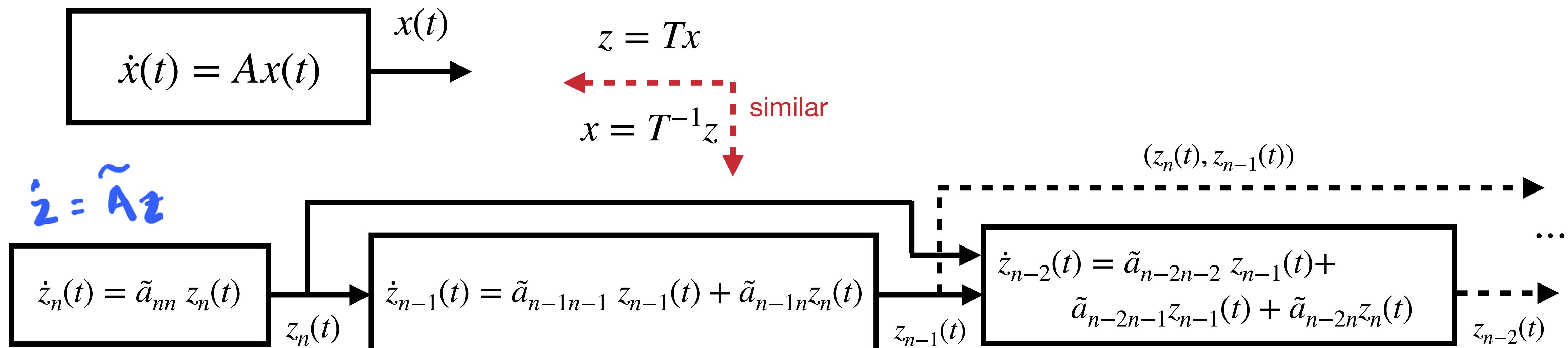
$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{1n} \\ 0 & \ddots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Given  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  there always exists a change of variable  $T$  such that  $\tilde{A} = TAT^{-1} =$

*no assumptions like Jordan Form*

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{a}_{11} & \tilde{a}_{12} & \tilde{a}_{13} & \cdots & \tilde{a}_{1n} \\ 0 & \tilde{a}_{22} & \tilde{a}_{23} & \cdots & \tilde{a}_{2n} \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{a}_{33} & \cdots & \tilde{a}_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \tilde{a}_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

**System perspective:** Given a generic linear system is it possible to see it as the “cascade” of  $n$  scalar subsystems



# Schur decomposition

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Construction of T

skipped

## Brunowsky canonical form

*→ always computable, no assumption*

**Definition:** The triplet  $(A, B, C) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \times \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1} \times \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$  (**SISO**) has relative degree  $r > 0$  if the following holds:

- $CA^k B = 0$  for all  $k = 0, \dots, r-2$
- $CA^{r-1} B \neq 0$

*single input,  
single output*

**Result:** The relative degree  $r > 0$  always exists and  $r \leq n$

### Dynamic System interpretation:

#### • Continuous time systems:

✓  $y^{(k)}(t) = CA^k x(t)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and for all  $k = 0, \dots, r-1$ ;

✓  $y^{(r)}(t) = CA^r x(t) + CA^{r-1} B u(t)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\neq 0$

#### • Discrete-time systems

✓  $y(t+k) = CA^k x(t)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$  and for all  $k = 0, \dots, r-1$ ;

✓  $y(t+r) = CA^r x(t) + CA^{r-1} B u(t)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 $\neq 0$

For continuous time systems,  $r$  is the minimum number of times the output must be derived in order to see the input explicitly appearing.

For discrete time systems,  $r$  is number of time delays after which the input shows up on the output.

**Homework:** With  $G = C(sI - A)^{-1}B$  given by

$$G(s) = \frac{s^m + b_1 s^{m-1} + \dots + b_m}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_n}$$

*prove that  $r = n - m$*   **poles - zeros**

$$G(s) = \frac{\text{numerator}(s)}{\text{denominator}(s)}$$

$$r = \underbrace{\text{order of den}(s)}_{\text{n. of poles}} - \underbrace{\text{order of num}(s)}_{\text{n. of zeros}}$$

relative degree

$$G(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1} B + D$$

$$\begin{matrix} & & & \\ & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \begin{matrix} n \\ C \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} n \\ A \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 \\ B \end{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

Reinterpreting the relative degree ( $r$ )

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

$$y = Cx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y} &= C\dot{x} = C(Ax + Bu) \\ &= CAx + CBu \end{aligned}$$



If the relative degree  $r \geq 1$ ,  $CB = 0$ ,

computing second derivative  $\ddot{y}$ :

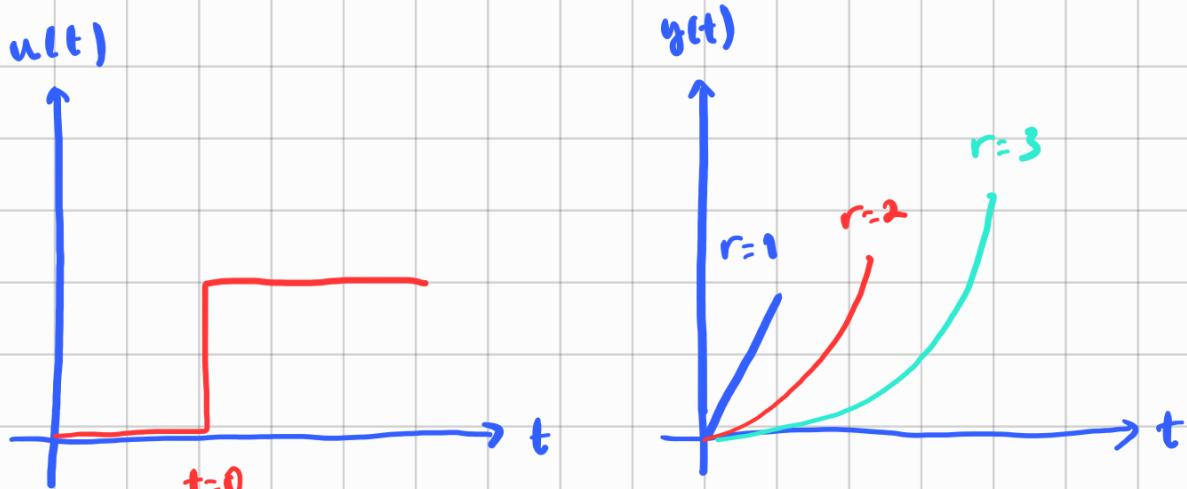
$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{y} &= CA\ddot{u} = CA(CAx + Bu) \\ &= CA^2x + CABu\end{aligned}$$

If  $r \geq 2$ , besides  $CB = 0$ ,  $CAB = 0$  too

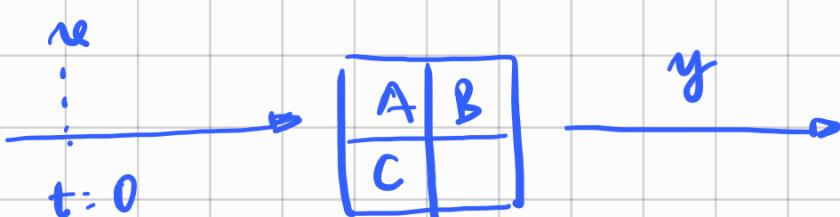
Hence,  $y^{(r)} = CA^r x + CAB^{r-1} Bu$

$\neq 0$

Suppose a system:



For discrete-time systems:



# Brunowsky canonical form

**Result.**  $\text{rank} \begin{pmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{r-1} \end{pmatrix}_{r \times n} = r$ , namely all the rows of that matrix are **linearly independent**

Choose  $T = \begin{pmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{r-1} \\ \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n-r} \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$  with the rows  $\phi_i$  chosen so that  $T$  is not singular

$\Rightarrow$  add  $\phi_i$  to make square matrix

$\therefore T \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$

$\left[ \begin{matrix} \phi_i \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n-r} \end{matrix} \right] \left[ \begin{matrix} B \\ \vdots \\ B \end{matrix} \right] = 0$

$\left[ \begin{matrix} C & C \\ CA & CA \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ CA^{r-1} & CA^{r-1} \end{matrix} \right]_{r \times n}$  more columns than rows

**Remark:**

(Always) possible choice:  $T_\eta B = 0$

$$z = \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} T_\xi x \\ T_\eta x \end{pmatrix} = Tx$$

- Brunowsky change of variable - - - - -

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{r-1} \\ \phi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n-r} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T\xi \\ \dots \\ T_n \xi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ n \end{bmatrix} \}_{n-r}$$

$$z = T \eta$$

$$\xi = T\xi \eta$$

$$n = T_n \eta$$

$$\dot{z} = \tilde{A}\tilde{\xi} + \tilde{B}u$$

$$y = CT^{-1}z$$

$\underbrace{C}$

$$\dot{\xi}_1 = CA^r \eta + \cancel{CA^{r-1} \eta}$$

if  $r > 1$

$$\dot{\xi}_2 = \underbrace{CA^2 \eta}_{\substack{\xi_3 \\ \text{if } r > 2}} + CABu$$

$$\dot{\xi}_r = \boxed{CA^r \eta} + \boxed{CA^{r-1} B u} \neq 0$$

$$Q_\xi \xi + Q_\eta \eta$$

$$T^{-1}z = T^{-1}(\xi_r)$$

Hence if  $\dot{\xi}_1 = \dot{\xi}_2$

⋮

$$\dot{\xi}_{r-1} = \dot{\xi}_r \Rightarrow \dot{\xi}_r = Q_\xi \xi + Q_\eta \eta + \Delta u$$

Calculating  $\eta$ :

$$\dot{\eta} = T_\eta \ddot{x} = T_\eta (Ax + Bu)$$

$$= T_\eta A T^{-1} z + T_\eta B u$$

$$= T_\eta A T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ n \end{bmatrix} + \cancel{T_\eta B u}$$

if  $\Phi_i B = 0$

$$\underbrace{\quad}_{\Psi_\xi \xi + \Psi_n n}$$

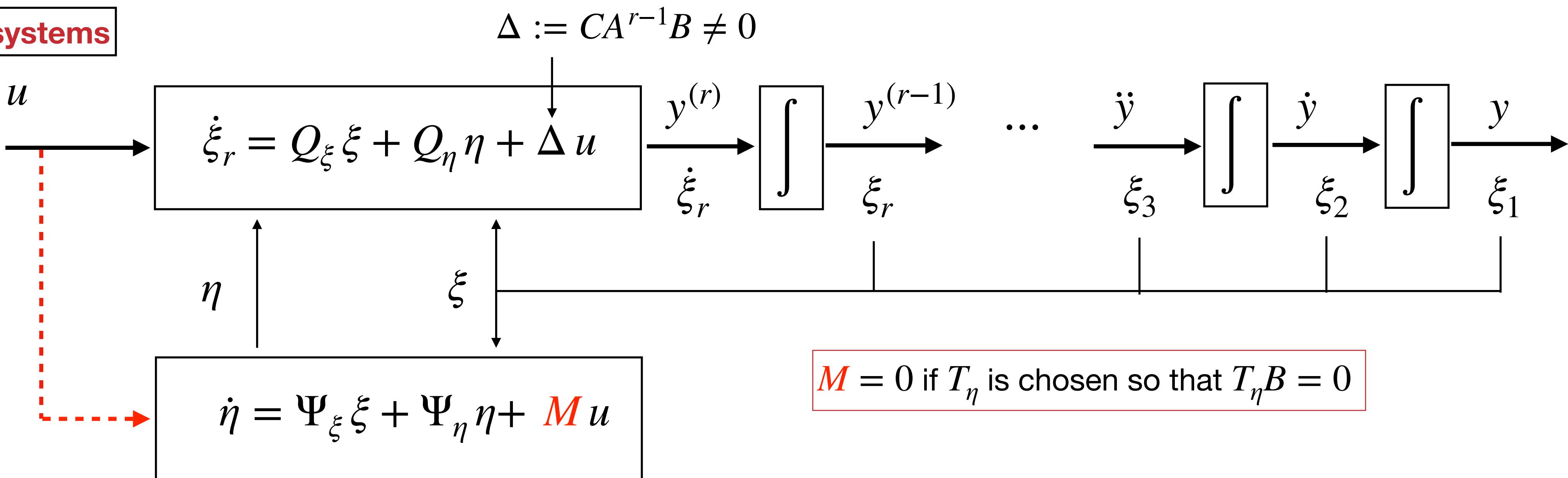
$$\Psi_\xi \xi + \Psi_n n$$

$$\rightarrow y = \xi_1$$

$$\dot{n} = \Psi_\xi \xi + \Psi_n \eta$$

# Brunowsky canonical form

## C-T systems



Always

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\xi}_1 &= \xi_2 \\ \dot{\xi}_2 &= \xi_3 \\ &\vdots \\ \dot{\xi}_{r-1} &= \xi_r \\ \dot{\xi}_r &= Q_\xi \xi + Q_\eta \eta + \Delta u \\ \dot{\eta} &= \Psi_\xi \xi + \Psi_\eta \eta + \textcolor{red}{M} u\end{aligned}$$

When  $T_\eta B = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\xi}_1 &= \xi_2 \\ \dot{\xi}_2 &= \xi_3 \\ &\vdots \\ \dot{\xi}_{r-1} &= \xi_r \\ \dot{\xi}_r &= Q_\xi \xi + Q_\eta \eta + \Delta u \\ \dot{\eta} &= \Psi_\xi \xi + \Psi_\eta \eta\end{aligned}$$

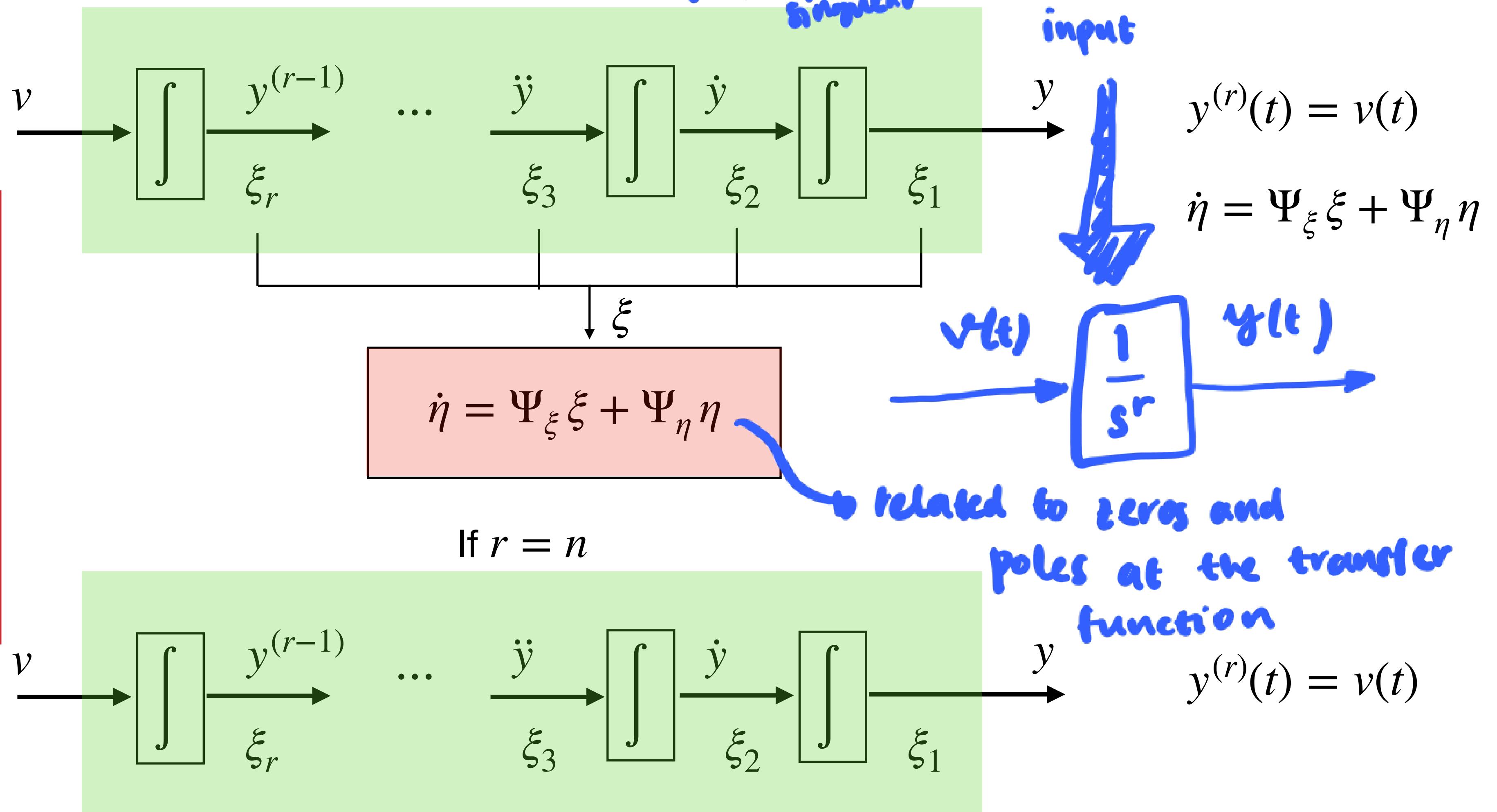
If  $r = n$

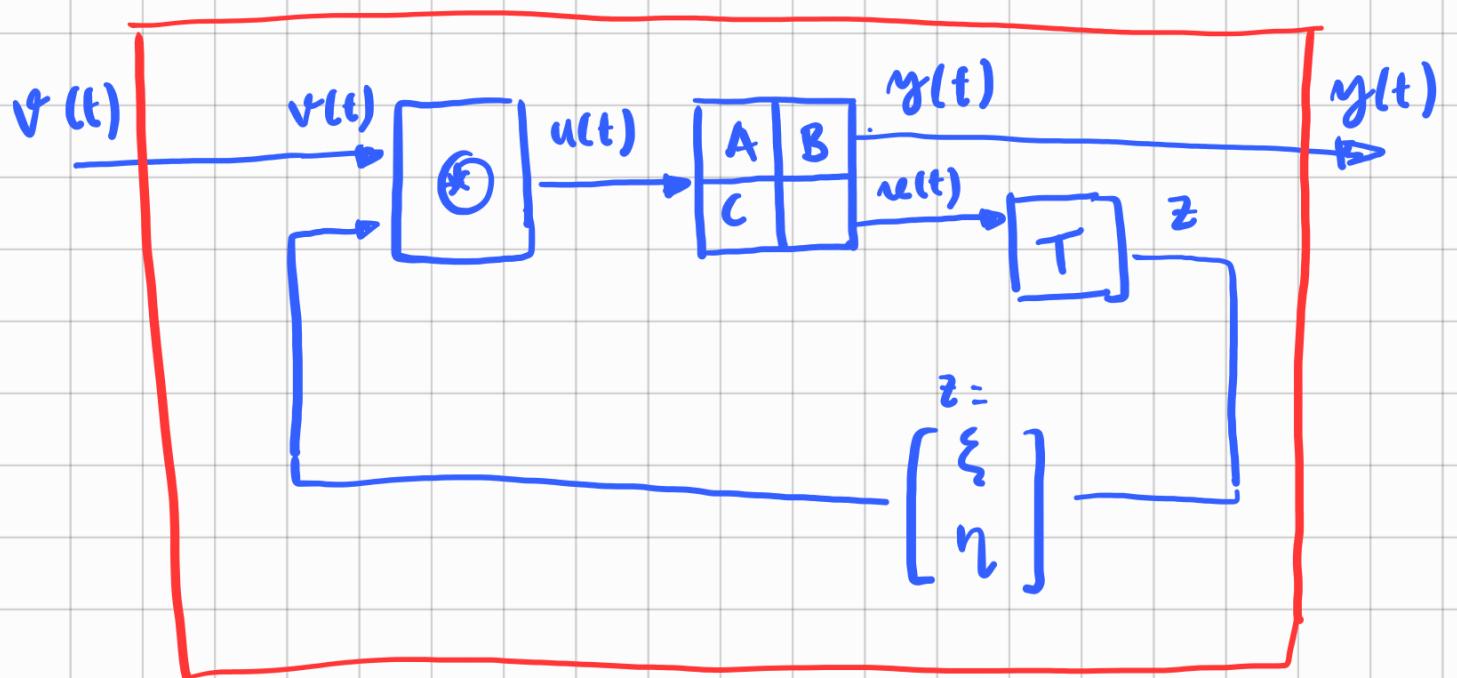
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\xi}_1 &= \xi_2 \\ \dot{\xi}_2 &= \xi_3 \\ &\vdots \\ \dot{\xi}_{n-1} &= \xi_n \\ \dot{\xi}_n &= Q_\xi \xi + Q_\eta \eta + \Delta u\end{aligned}$$

## Brunowsky canonical form

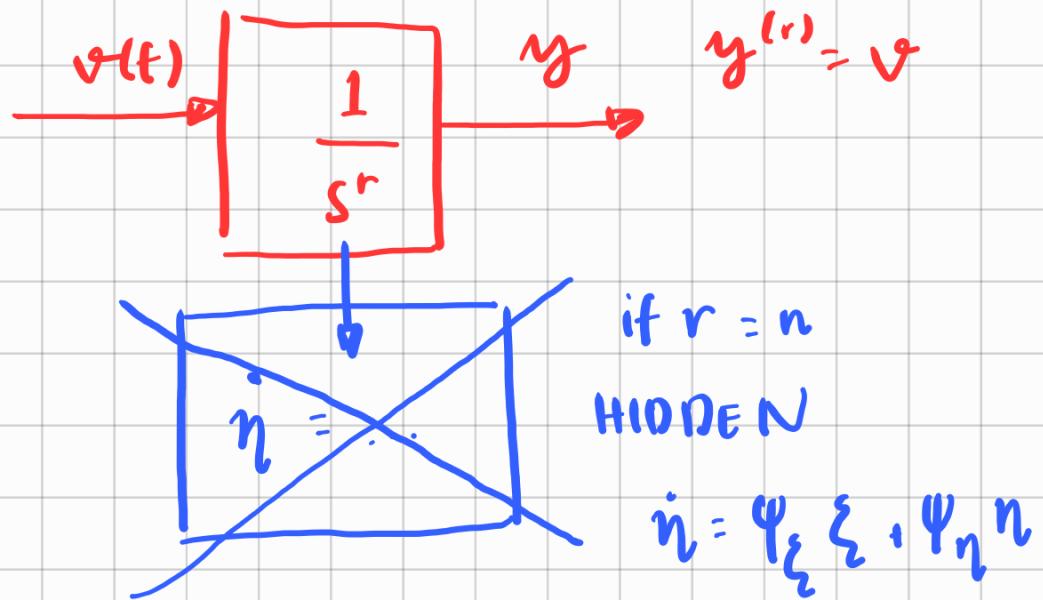
If the input  $u(t)$  is chosen as the state feedback:  $u(t) = \frac{1}{\Delta}(-Q_\xi \xi(t) - Q_\eta \eta(t) + v(t))$  with  $v(t)$  a new residual input ( $T_\eta B = 0$ )

The input output relation of all linear SISO systems can be transformed, under state feedback and change of coordinates, into a I/O chain of  $r$  integrators. If  $r < n$  an “hidden”  $\eta$ -dynamics arise....





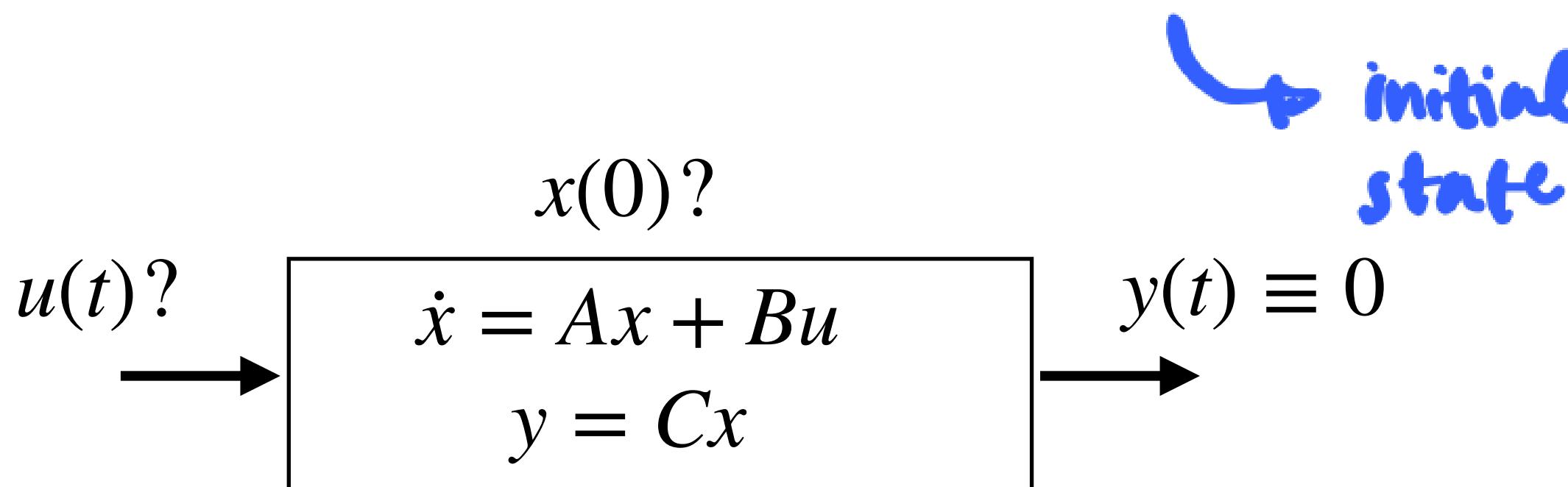
↓ r integrator



## Brunowsky canonical form

**Experiment/problem:** Given a linear system  $(A, B, C)$  compute the  $x(0)$  and the  $u(t)$  such that the output trajectory  $y(t) \equiv 0$  for all  $t \geq 0$

↳ **output = 0**



↑ **input**

↳ **initial state**

**Trivial solution:**  
do nothing  
while  $x(0) = 0$

↳ **scalar**

In the Brunowsky coordinate the problem has an immediate solution:

$$x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} T_\xi \\ T_\eta \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \eta_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u(t) = -\frac{Q_\eta \eta(t)}{\Delta}$$

with  $\eta_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n-r}$  arbitrary

$$\dot{\eta} = \Psi_\eta \eta \quad \eta(0) = \eta_0$$

**sets of eigenvalues**

The “internal dynamics”  $\dot{\eta} = \Psi_\eta \eta$  (dynamics of the system that are compatible with a trajectory of the output that is identically zero) is said to be the “**zero dynamics**” of the system. It can be shown to be related to the “zeros” of the transfer function between  $u$  and  $y$ :

$$\sigma(\Psi_\eta) = \text{zeros}(C(sI - A)^{-1}B)$$

**n-r**

Solution of output-zeroing problem:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \xi(0) = 0 \quad y = \xi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{\xi}_r = Q_\xi \xi + Q_\eta \eta + \Delta u = y^{(r)} \\ \\ v(t) = \frac{1}{\Delta} (-Q_\eta \eta(t)) \\ \\ \rightarrow \xi(t) \equiv 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\dot{\eta}(t) = \Psi_\eta \eta(t) \quad \forall \eta(0)$$

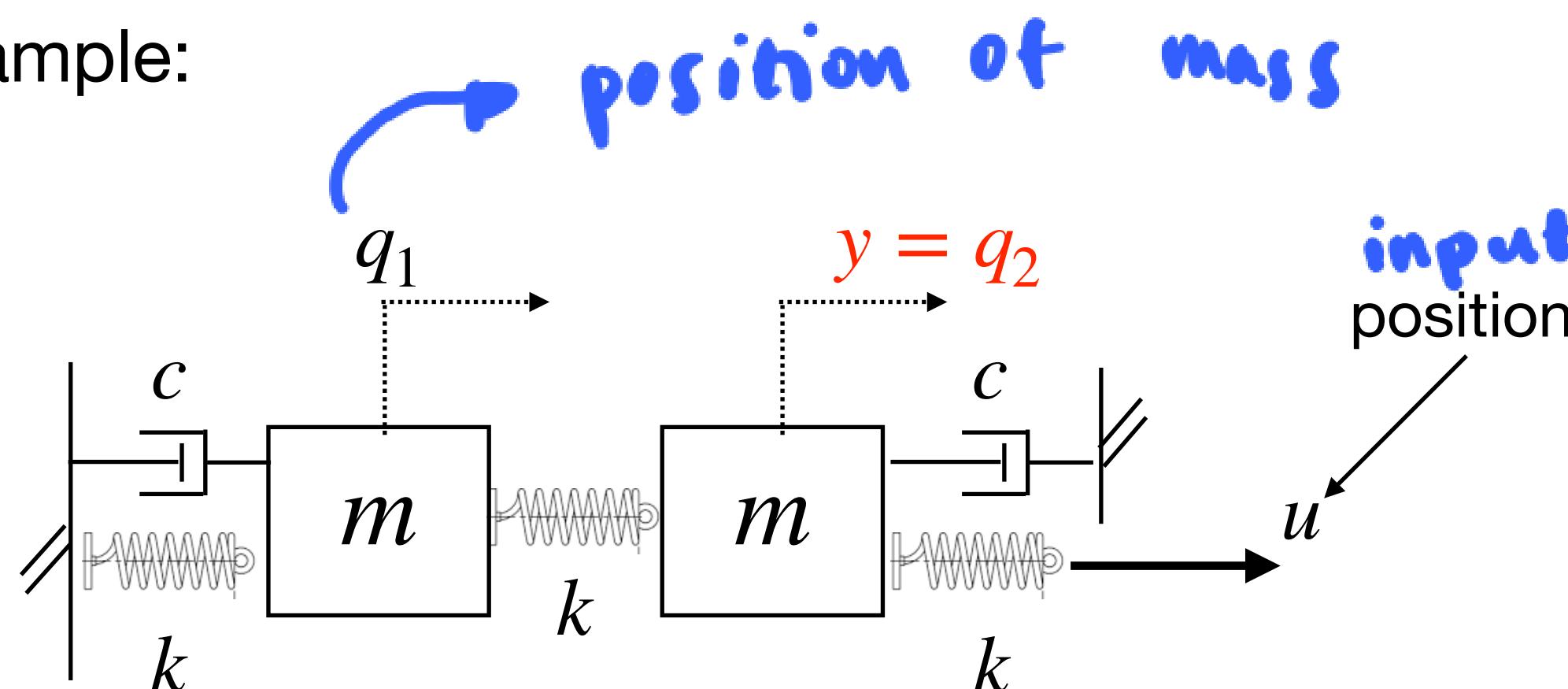
non-trivial

The solution is not "straightforward":

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \eta_e(t) &= T^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \ddots \\ * \end{pmatrix} && \text{generic } \eta_e(t) \\ u(t) &= \frac{1}{\Delta} \left[ -Q_\eta T \eta_e(t) \right] && \text{non-zero} \end{aligned}}$$

# Brunowsky canonical form

Example:



$$x := (q_1 \quad q_2 \quad \dot{q}_1 \quad \dot{q}_2)^T$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{2k}{m} & \frac{k}{m} & -\frac{c}{m} & 0 \\ \frac{k}{m} & -\frac{2k}{m} & 0 & -\frac{c}{m} \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{k}{m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C = (0 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad 0)$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} C = (0 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad 0) \quad CB = 0 \\ CA = (0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1) \quad CAB = \frac{k}{m} \end{array}} \Rightarrow r = 2$$

$$T_\xi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T_\eta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ One possible choice fulfilling } T_\eta B = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\xi}_1 &= \xi_2 \\ \dot{\xi}_2 &= -\frac{2k}{m}\xi_2 + \frac{k}{m}\xi_1 - \frac{c}{m}\eta_2 + \frac{k}{m}u \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \dot{\eta}_1 = \eta_2 \\ \dot{\eta}_2 = -\frac{2k}{m}\eta_1 - \frac{c}{m}\eta_2 + \frac{k}{m}\xi_1 \end{array}} \text{ zero dynamics}$$

**Homework:** Compute the Brunowsky canonical form in case  $y = q_1$

Relative degree of the system:

$r = 2$ , if  $CB = 0$  and  $CAB \neq 0$

fulfilled

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{2k}{m} & \frac{k}{m} & -\frac{c}{m} & 0 \\ \frac{k}{m} & -\frac{2k}{m} & 0 & -\frac{c}{m} \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{k}{m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C = (0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{k}{m} \neq 0$$

fulfilled

According to Brunovsky canonical form:

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \cdots \\ \Phi_1 \\ \Phi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_\xi \\ \cdots \\ T_\eta \end{bmatrix}$$

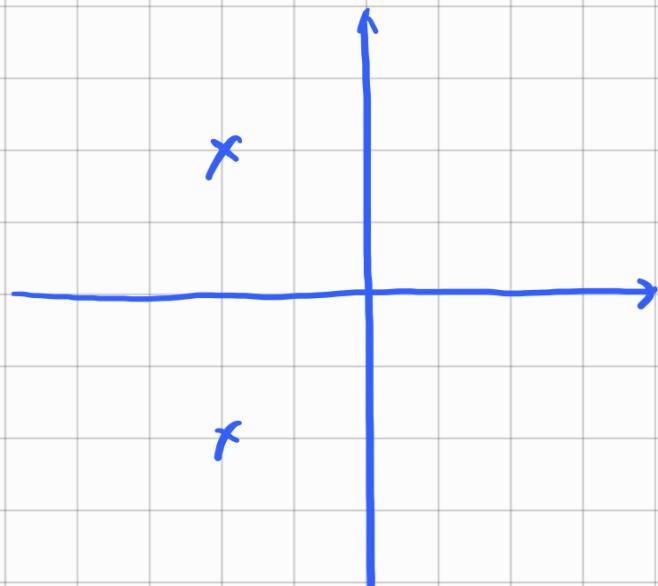
$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\xi}_1 &= \xi_2 \\ \dot{\xi}_2 &= -\frac{2k}{m}\xi_2 + \frac{k}{m}\xi_1 - \frac{c}{m}\eta_2 + \frac{k}{m}u \\ \dot{\eta}_1 &= \eta_2 \quad \text{zero dynamics} \\ \dot{\eta}_2 &= -\frac{2k}{m}\eta_1 - \frac{c}{m}\eta_2 + \frac{k}{m}\xi_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$Q_\xi = \left( \frac{k}{m} \ - \frac{2k}{m} \right)$$

$$Q_\eta = (0 \quad \frac{c}{m})$$

$$\Delta = \frac{k}{m}$$

$$\Psi_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2k/m & -c/m \end{bmatrix}$$



$$u(t) = \frac{m}{k} + \left( \frac{2k}{m} \xi_2(t) - \frac{k}{m} \xi_1(t) + \frac{c}{m} n_1(t) \right) + v(t)$$

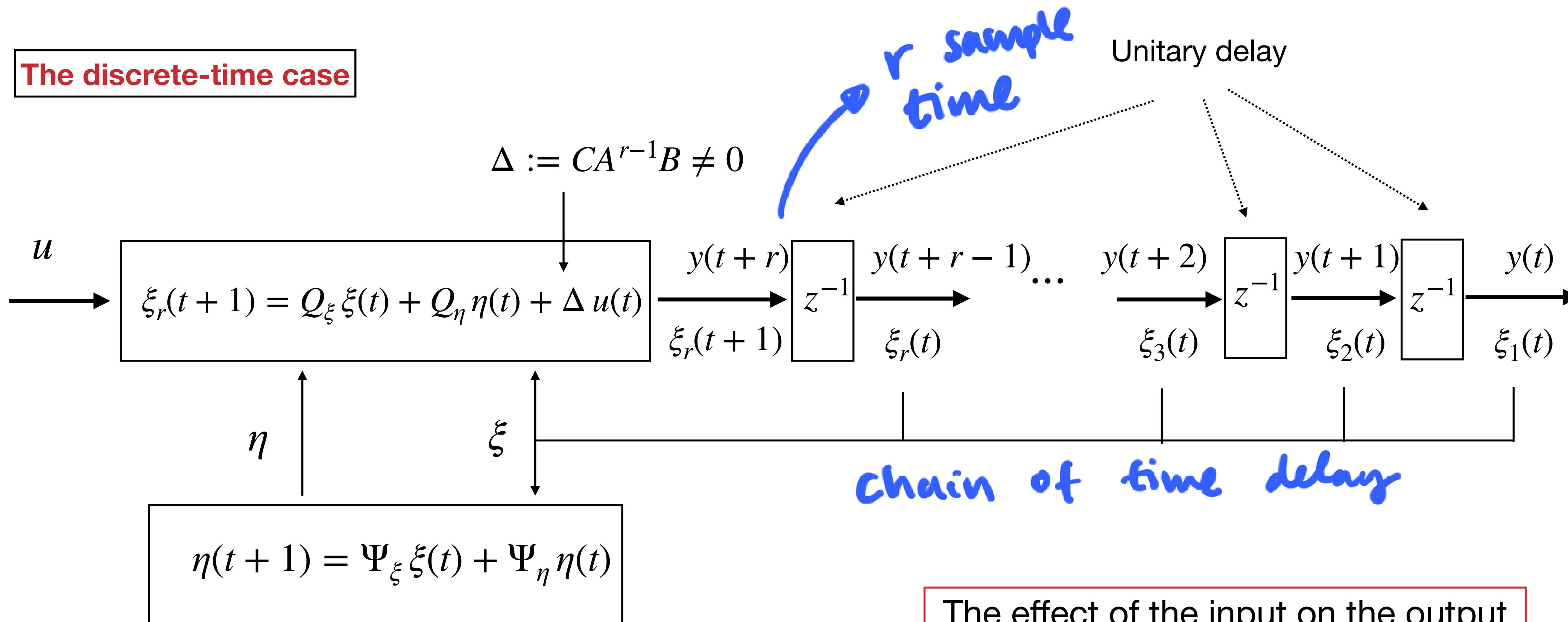
$$\dot{\xi}_2(t) \quad \xi_1(t)$$



$$\ddot{n} = \Psi_n n + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ k/m \end{bmatrix} y(t)$$

# Brunowsky canonical form

The discrete-time case



The effect of the input on the output  
is delayed by  $r$  samples