

goal: observe the fact that, in LTI systems, the definitions of controllability & observability are mathematically dual

ref: Hespanha 15.8

• consider the (CT-LTI) system  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $u \in \mathbb{R}^k$   
 $y = Cx + Du$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

• recall: 1° (CT-LTI) controllable  $\iff \text{rank } W(t_0, t_1) = n$   
 where  $W(t_0, t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} e^{A(\tau-t_0)} B B^T e^{A^T(\tau-t_0)} d\tau$

$\rightarrow$  show that  $\mathcal{R}(W(t_0, t_1)) = \mathcal{R}\left(\int_{t_0}^{t_1} e^{A(t_1-\tau)} B B^T e^{A^T(t_1-\tau)} d\tau\right)$

2° (CT-LTI) observable  $\iff \text{rank } M(t_0, t_1) = n$   
 $M(t_0, t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} e^{A(t_1-\tau)} C^T C e^{A^T(t_1-\tau)} d\tau$

2°. (CT-LTI) observable  $\Leftrightarrow \text{rank } M(t_0, t_1) = n$

$$\text{where } M(t_0, t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} e^{A^T(\tau-t_0)} C^T C e^{A(\tau-t_0)} d\tau$$

• consider the dual system  $\dot{\bar{x}} = A^T \bar{x} + C^T \bar{u}$ ,  $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\bar{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m$   
 (CT-LTI)  $\bar{y} = B^T \bar{x} + D^T \bar{u}$ ,  $\bar{y} \in \mathbb{R}^k$

note: 1°. (CT-LTI) controllable  $\Leftrightarrow \text{rank } \bar{W}(t_0, t_1) = n$

$$\text{where } \bar{W}(t_0, t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} e^{A^T(\tau-t_0)} C^T C e^{A(\tau-t_0)} d\tau$$

2°. (CT-LTI) observable  $\Leftrightarrow \text{rank } \bar{M}(t_0, t_1) = n$

$$\text{where } \bar{M}(t_0, t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} e^{A(\tau-t_0)} B B^T e^{A^T(\tau-t_0)} d\tau$$

i.e.  $W = \bar{M}$  and  $M = \bar{W}$

so (CT-LTI)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (CT-LTI) (CT-LTI)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (CT-LTI)  
 controllable observable observable controllable

i.e. controllability matrix  $C$  for (CT-LTI)

characterizes observability of (CT-LTI) ( $C^T = \bar{O}$  termed observability matrix)