

# Notes in ECEN 5448

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## 1 A test that will be useful

Fact: Let  $A$  be Hurwitz. Then  $(A,B)$  is controllable iff  $\exists$  p.d.  $W$  such that:  
(1)

$$WA^T + AW = BB^T$$

Proof: Let  $(A,B)$  be controllable. Then:

$$W = \int_0^\infty e^{A\tau} BB^T e^{A^T\tau} d\tau$$

will solve the equation and  $W$  is p.d.

Basically the controllability gramian from 0 to  $\infty$ .

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = M(t)A^T + AM(t) \quad M(0) = BB^T$$

The solution to the above ode is:

$$M = e^{At} BB^T e^{A^T t}$$

On the other hand, by integration of both sides:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^T \frac{dM}{dt} dt &= \int_0^T (e^{At} BB^T e^{A^T t}) dt A^T + A \int_0^T (e^{At} BB^T e^{A^T t}) dt \\ &\implies -BB^T = WA^T + AW \end{aligned}$$

$\leftarrow$  So let  $(\lambda, v)$ :  $v^T A = \lambda v^T$ . We need to show that  $v^T B \neq 0$ .

Note that if (1) has a solution, then:

$$\begin{aligned} \|B^T v\|^2 &= v^T BB^T v = v^T (WA^T + AW) v \\ &= \lambda v^T W v + \lambda v^T W v < 0 \\ &\implies \|B^T v\|^2 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

assuming  $\lambda \neq 0$ .

Why is this nice?

Fact: Let  $(A,B)$  be controllable.

Then,  $\exists$  p.d.  $W$ ;

$$WA^T + AW + BB^T = -Q$$

for some p.d.  $Q$ .

Proof: The key is to look at  $(-A - \mu I)$ . The eigenvectors of  $A$  and  $(-A - \mu I)$  are the same. For large enough  $\mu$ ,  $(-A - \mu I)$  is Hurwitz (?).

$(A, B)$  controllable  $\implies (-A - \mu I, B)$  is controllable for  $\mu > 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \implies \exists W; W(-A - \mu I)^T + (-A - \mu I)W &= -BB^T \\ \implies WA^T + AW - BB^T &= -2\mu W \end{aligned}$$

Definition: For the system:

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

we say it is feedback stabilizable if  $\exists K$ ; if

$$u = Kx \implies \dot{x} = Ax + BKx = (A + BK)x$$

is stable, i.e.  $(A + BK)$  is Hurwitz for some  $K$ .

Fact: If  $(A, B)$  is controllable  $\implies$  the system is feedback stabilizable.

Proof: By previous result  $\exists W - Q > 0$

$$WA^T + AW - BB^T = -Q$$

Let  $P = W^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} PWA^T P + PAWP - PBB^T P &= -PQP = -\tilde{Q} \\ \implies A^T P + PA - PBB^T P &= -\tilde{Q} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $K = \frac{1}{2}B^T P \implies$

$$\begin{aligned} (A^T P - K^T B^T P) + (PA - PBK) &= -\tilde{Q} \\ (A - BK)^T P + P(A - BK) &= -\tilde{Q} \end{aligned}$$

$\implies (A - BK)$  is Hurwitz because  $P, Q$  are positive definite. So a  $K$  exists that makes the system stable.

Theorem:  $(A, B)$  is controllable iff  $\forall \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{C} \exists K \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}; (A + BK)$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$

## 2 State Transformations

$$\dot{z} = T\dot{x} = TAx + TBu = TAT^{-1}z + TBu$$

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

Many properties of the system (are naturally) invariant under state transformation.

1. Unforced system stability 2. Controllability

$$(BAB \dots A^{n-1}B)(TBTABTA^2B \dots TA^{n-1}B)$$

Controllability of original system and transformed system.  $\implies \text{rank}(BAB \dots A^{n-1}B) = \text{rank}(TBTAB \dots TA^{n-1}B)$  because  $T$  is invertible.

3. Transfer Function.

Recall that for an uncontrollable system:

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

$\exists T$  s.t.  $T^{-1} = T^T$ ;  $\tilde{x} = Tx$

$$\implies \dot{\tilde{x}} = (A = \begin{pmatrix} A_c & A_{cu} \\ 0 & A_u \end{pmatrix})\tilde{x} + \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{B} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}u$$

and  $(A_c, \tilde{B})$  is controllable.

For this form if  $v^T \tilde{A} = \lambda v^T$  and  $v^T \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{B} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$ .

, then  $v = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \tilde{v} \end{pmatrix}$  s.t.  $\tilde{v}^T A_u = \lambda \tilde{v}$ .

Because if  $v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \tilde{v} \end{pmatrix} \implies v_1^T A_c = \lambda v_1^T$

and  $v_1^T \tilde{B} = 0 \implies v_1 = 0$  by controllability of  $A_c, \tilde{B}$ .

Definition: We say that a:

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

is stabilizable if  $\forall x(0) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \exists u : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ .

if  $x(t)$  is a solution, then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$

similar to controllability, but with infinite time.

Fact:  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$  is stabilizable iff  $\forall v : v^T A = \lambda v^T$  and  $\text{Re}(\lambda) \geq 0, v^T B \neq 0$

Proof: Stabilizable  $\implies$  this.

Suppose this doesn't hold  $\implies \exists v; v^T A = \lambda v^T, \text{Re}(\lambda) \geq 0$  and  $v^T B = 0$ .

For  $x(0) = v; \exists u; x(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\begin{aligned} v^T \left( x(t) = e^{At}v + \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} Bu(\tau) d\tau \right) \\ \implies v^T x(t) = e^{\lambda t} \|v\| + \int_0^t e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} v^T Bu(\tau) d\tau \end{aligned}$$

but  $v^T B = 0$  so it breaks the assumption that  $x$  goes to zero.

$\implies v^T x(t) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

### 3 Lyapunov test for stabilizability

$(A, B)$  are stabilizable iff  $\exists$  p.d.  $W, Q$  such that:

$$AW + A^T W - BB^T = -Q$$