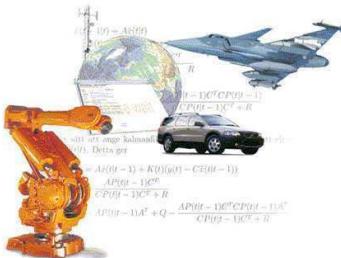


## Matrix Fraction Descriptions (MFDs)

### Linear Systems

#### Lecture 7. Smith form, state space, zeros and poles



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### A fundamental invariant

Let  $G(s)$  be given

For **coprime** realizations

$$G(s) = N_R(s)D_R(s)^{-1} \quad \text{or} \quad G(s) = D_L(s)^{-1}N_L(s)$$

the polynomial

$$p(s) = \det D_R(s) \quad \text{or} \quad p(s) = \det D_L(s)$$

is always the same (except for multiplication with a constant)

Corresponding result for  $N_L, N_R$  more difficult (not necessarily square matrix)

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$$G(s) = N_R(s)D_R^{-1}(s) \quad \text{or} \quad G(s) = D_L^{-1}(s)N_L(s)$$

where  $N_R, D_R, N_L, D_L$  are *polynomial matrices*.

- $U(s)$  unimodular:  $U^{-1}$  also polynomial  $\Leftrightarrow \det U(s)$  constant  $\neq 0$
  - right (left) coprime matrices: no common right (left) factors (except unimodular ones)
  - $N_1(s)D_1^{-1}(s) = N_2(s)D_2^{-1}(s); N_1, D_1$  and  $N_2, D_2$  coprime  $\Rightarrow$  exists unimodular  $U$  so that
- $$N_1(s) = N_2(s)U(s), \quad D_1(s) = D_2(s)U(s)$$

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### McMillan degree

For a strictly proper  $G(s)$  with **coprime** realizations

$$G(s) = N_R(s)D_R(s)^{-1} \quad \text{or} \quad G(s) = D_L(s)^{-1}N_L(s)$$

the number

$$m_c = \deg \det D_R = \deg \det D_L$$

is called the **McMillan degree** of  $G$ .

**Theorem.** If  $G$  has a realization with dimension  $n$  then

$$n \geq m_c$$

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## Realization idea

Generalize the controller form for scalar transfer functions.

$$G(s) = \frac{c_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + c_1s + c_0}{s^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_1s + a_0}$$

has the realization

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & \dots & \dots & -a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = [c_0 \ c_1 \ \dots \ c_{n-1}] x$$

## Skeleton state space matrices

$$A_0 = \begin{bmatrix} A_{k_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & A_{k_2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & & A_{k_m} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_0 = \begin{bmatrix} B_{k_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & B_{k_2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & B_{k_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$A_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{k \times k}, \quad B_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_{k \times 1}$$

## Preparing the transfer function

$G(s) = N(s)D(s)^{-1}$ ,  $D$  column reduced with column degrees  $k_1, \dots, k_m$ . Then  $D$  and  $N$  can be written

$$D(s) = D_{hc}\Delta(s) + D_\ell\psi(s), \quad N(s) = N_\ell\psi(s)$$

for some constant matrices  $D_\ell$  and  $N_\ell$

$$\Delta(s) = \begin{bmatrix} s^{k_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & s^{k_2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & & s^{k_m} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \psi(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{k_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \psi_{k_2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \psi_{k_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\psi_k(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ s \\ \vdots \\ s^{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

## A minimal realisation for right matrix fractions

**Theorem**  $G(s) = N(s)D(s)^{-1} = (N_\ell\psi(s))(D_{hc}\Delta(s) + D_\ell\psi(s))^{-1}$  has a realisation

$$\dot{x} = (A_0 - B_0 D_{hc}^{-1} D_\ell)x + B_0 D_{hc}^{-1} u, \quad y = N_\ell x$$

The dimension of the state space is  $n = k_1 + \dots + k_m$ .

**Corollary 1** If  $N$  and  $D$  are coprime the realization is minimal with  $n$  = McMillan degreee of  $G$ .

**Corollary 2** For an arbitrary strictly proper transfer function the dimension of a minimal realization equals the McMillan degree.

## Realization. An example

In a previous example we had the right denominator matrix  $D_R =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} s^2 + 3s + 2 & -s - 2 \\ 0 & s + 2 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{D_{hc}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s^2 & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix}}_{\Delta(s)} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_{D_\ell} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\psi(s)}$$

This gives

$$A = A_0 - B_0 D_{hc}^{-1} D_\ell = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = B_0 D_{hc}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Poles and zeros

**Wanted:** A tool for determining system properties (poles, zeros, controllability, observability,...) for a system in any representation (state space, transfer function, matrix fraction, DAE,...)

**Answer:** Smith form

## Realization example, cont'd.

The numerator matrix is

$$N_R(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 2+s & -1 \\ s & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{N_\ell} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\psi(s)}$$

giving

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

## Smith form

Kailath: pp 390-392

**Smith form** of rank  $r$  polynomial matrix  $P(s)$

$$U(s)P(s)V(s) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1(s) & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2(s) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \lambda_r(s) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & & \ddots \\ & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$U, V$  unimodular

$\lambda_i(s)$  divides  $\lambda_{i+1}(s)$ , invariant polynomials

## Invariant polynomials and minors

$P(s)$  polynomial matrix, rank =  $r$

$\Delta_i$  = gcd of all  $i \times i$  minors of  $P(s)$

If  $Q(s) = U(s)P(s)V(s)$ ,  $U, V$  unimodular, then  $Q$  and  $P$  have the same  $\Delta_i$ .

$\Delta_1(s)$  divides  $\Delta_2(s)$  divides  $\dots$  divides  $\Delta_r(s)$

$$\lambda_1(s) = \Delta_1(s)$$

$$\lambda_i(s) = \frac{\Delta_i(s)}{\Delta_{i-1}(s)}, \quad i = 2, \dots, r$$

## Smith transformation of $G(s)$ (Kailath pp 443-448)

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{d(s)} N(s)$$

$d$ : least common multiple of denominators,  $N$  polynomial matrix.

Smith form:  $N(s) = U(s)\Lambda(s)V(s)$ ,  $U, V$  unimodular

$$G(s) = U(s) \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \text{diag} \left( \frac{\epsilon_i(s)}{\psi_i(s)} \right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Smith-McMillan form}} V(s)$$

where  $\epsilon_i, \psi_i$  without common factors.

$$\frac{\epsilon_i(s)}{\psi_i(s)} = \frac{\lambda_i(s)}{d(s)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r, \quad \psi_{i+1}(s) | \psi_i(s), \quad \epsilon_i(s) | \epsilon_{i+1}(s),$$

$$\psi_1(s) = d(s)$$

## Examples

$\rightarrow$  denotes transformation to Smith form.

$$\begin{aligned} U(s) &\rightarrow I, \quad \text{if } U(s) \text{ unimodular} \\ \begin{pmatrix} s+2 & -1 \\ s & 1 \end{pmatrix} &\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & s+1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} s & s^2 \\ s+s^3 & s^2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} s & 0 \\ 0 & s^4 \end{pmatrix} \\ A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -a_3 & -a_2 & -a_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad sI - A &\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s^3 + a_1 s^2 + a_2 s + a_3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

## Smith form and MFDs

It is possible to write

$$G(s) = U(s) \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \text{diag}(\psi_i(s)) & 0 \\ 0 & I_{p-r} \end{pmatrix}}_{\psi_L(s)}^{-1} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \text{diag}(\epsilon_i(s)) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathcal{E}(s)} V(s)$$

Left coprime MFD:  $D_L(s) = \psi_L(s)U^{-1}(s)$ ,  $N_L(s) = \mathcal{E}(s)V(s)$   
Alternatively

$$G(s) = U(s) \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \text{diag}(\epsilon_i(s)) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathcal{E}(s)} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \text{diag}(\psi_i(s)) & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m-r} \end{pmatrix}}_{\psi_R(s)}^{-1} V(s)$$

Right coprime MFD:  $D_R(s) = V^{-1}(s)\psi_R(s)$ ,  $N_R(s) = U(s)\mathcal{E}(s)$

## Invariants in transfer functions.

Let  $G(s)$  have different left or right coprime MFDs. Then

- All numerator matrices have the same Smith form ( $= \mathcal{E}(s)$ ).
- All denominator matrices have the same Smith form (except for extra 1s on the diagonal).
- The invariant polynomials of the numerators are the  $\epsilon_i(s)$  of the Smith-McMillan form.
- The invariant polynomials of the denominators are the  $\psi_i(s)$  of the Smith-McMillan form.

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## Example

$$G(s) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{s+1} & \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \\ \frac{s}{(s+1)(s+2)} & \frac{2s+1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \begin{pmatrix} s+2 & 1 \\ s & 2s+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The Smith McMillan form is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{s+1}{s+2} \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$\epsilon_1 = 1, \quad \epsilon_2 = s+1; \quad \psi_1 = (s+1)(s+2), \quad \psi_2 = s+2$$

poles:  $-1, -2, -2$

zeros:  $-1$

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## Poles and zeros

### ■ Definition using Smith-McMillan form.

- The **poles** of a system are the roots of the  $\psi_i$  in the Smith-McMillan form.
- The **McMillan degree** is the degree of  $\det D(s)$ .
- The **zeros** of a system are the roots of the  $\epsilon_i$  in the Smith-McMillan form

### ■ Equivalent definition

- The **poles** of a system are the roots of  $\det D(s) = 0$  where  $D$  is the denominator of **any coprime MFD**.
- The **zeros** of a system are the  $s$ -values for which the rank of  $N(s)$  drops, where  $N$  is the numerator of **any coprime MFD**.

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## Connection to state space

For a right fraction  $N_R(s)D_R(s)^{-1}$  we had found a realization  $A_c, B_c, C_c$  with

$$B_c D_R(s) = (sI - A_c)\psi(s), \quad N_R(s) = C_c\psi(s)$$

There exist  $X(s), Y(s), \tilde{X}(s), \tilde{Y}(s)$  so that

$$\begin{pmatrix} sI - A_c & B_c \\ \tilde{X}(s) & \tilde{Y}(s) \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} X(s) & -\Psi(s) \\ Y(s) & D_R(s) \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{unimodular}} = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Smith equivalence of state space and MFDs

It follows that

$$\begin{pmatrix} sI - A_c & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{s}{\sim} \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & D_R(s) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} sI - A_c & B_c \\ -C_c & 0 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{s}{\sim} \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & N_R(s) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\stackrel{s}{\sim}$  means “same Smith form”. This generalizes to

$$\begin{pmatrix} sI - A & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{s}{\sim} \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & D(s) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} sI - A & B \\ -C & 0 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{s}{\sim} \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & N(s) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $A, B, C$  is any minimal realization of a strictly proper  $G(s)$  with (left or right) coprime MFD given by  $N(s)$  (numerator) and  $D(s)$  (denominator).



## State space characterization of poles and zeros

(minimal realization)

- the poles are given by  $\det(sI - A) = 0$
- the zeros are the  $s$ -values for which the rank of

$$\begin{pmatrix} sI - A & B \\ -C & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

drops.

- Time domain interpretation of zeros:

- If  $\lambda$  is a zero, then there exist constants  $x_0, u_0 \neq 0$  so that the input  $u(t) = e^{\lambda t} u_0$ , together with the initial condition  $x(0) = x_0$  gives the output  $y(t) = 0, t \geq 0$ .

