

Primeness

Definition 1.12.: Let $P \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,q}$.

- i) P is called left prime if $\text{rank } P(\lambda_0) = p \forall \lambda_0 \in \mathbb{C}$.
- ii) P is called right prime if $\text{rank } P(\lambda_0) = q \forall \lambda_0 \in \mathbb{C}$.
- iii) P is called prime if it is left prime or right prime.

Theorem 1.13.: [Zerz, Theorem 4.26] $P \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,q}$

For $P \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,q}$ the following are equivalent:

$$P(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1) \dots (\lambda - \lambda_r) \cdot C$$

- a) P is left prime
- b) P has the Smith form $S[I, 0]T$. Lemma 1.9.
- c) $\mathcal{Z}(P) = \emptyset \wedge \text{rank}_{\mathbb{C}(\lambda)}(P) = p$. $\mathcal{Z}(P) = \{\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{rank}_{\mathbb{C}(\lambda)}(P) > \text{rank } P(\lambda_0)\}$
- d) $p \leq q$ and there exists a matrix $\tilde{P} \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{(q-p), q}$ such that $\begin{bmatrix} P \\ \tilde{P} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{q,q}$ is unimodular.
- e) There exists a polynomial right inverse, i.e., a matrix $S \in \mathbb{C}^{q,p}$ with $PS = I$ (Any such S is then right prime).
- f) If $P = UP_1$ for some $U \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,p}$, $P_1 \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,q}$, then U is unimodular.

Proof:

a) \Leftrightarrow c): Lemma 1.9.

c) \Leftrightarrow b): Follows from the Smith form

b) \Rightarrow d): With the Smith form written as $P = S[I, 0]T$ $= \begin{bmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$= S[I, 0] \begin{bmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \end{bmatrix} = ST_1$ set $\tilde{P} := T_2$ to obtain that

$\begin{bmatrix} P \\ \tilde{P} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ST_1 \\ T_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S & | & \\ \hline & & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is a product of unimodular matrices.

d) \Rightarrow e): Unimodularity of $\begin{bmatrix} P \\ \tilde{P} \end{bmatrix}$ implies the existence of $X = [x_1, x_2] \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{q \times q}$ with

$$\begin{bmatrix} P \\ \tilde{P} \end{bmatrix} [x_1, x_2] = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} PX_1 & PX_2 \\ \tilde{P}X_1 & \tilde{P}X_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

which implies $PX_1 = I$.

Now let S be an arbitrary polynomial matrix with $PS = I$. If there was a $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\text{rank } S(\lambda_0) < p$.

$$\text{Then } p = \text{rank } I_p = \text{rank } P(\lambda_0) \cdot S(\lambda_0)$$

$$\leq \min \{ \text{rank } P(\lambda_0), \text{rank } S(\lambda_0) \} \leq \text{rank } S(\lambda_0) < p \quad \Downarrow$$

e) \Rightarrow f): Let S be with $PS = I$ and $P = UP_1$. Then

$$U \underbrace{P_1 S}_{= U^{-1} \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,p}} = PS = I \text{ shows that } U \text{ is unimodular.}$$

f) \Rightarrow b): Assume to the contrary that the Smith

form $P = S \begin{bmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} T$ contains a nonconstant

d_i on the diagonal of D or that $\text{rank}_{\mathbb{C}(\lambda)} D < p$.

In both cases we have that in

$$P = S \begin{bmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} T = \underbrace{S \begin{bmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,p}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\in \mathbb{C}^{p,q} T} \quad \text{the matrix } U \text{ is not unimodular } \square$$

$$=: U \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,p}$$

An analogous theorem holds for right prime matrices.

Corollary 1.14.

For every $\text{Re } \mathbb{C}(\lambda)^{p, q}$ there exists a polynomial (right) prime kernel spanning matrix and a polynomial (right) prime cokernel spanning matrix.

Proof: Use theorem 1.13. d) (rewritten for right prime matrices) and Lemma 1.10. \square (Homework)

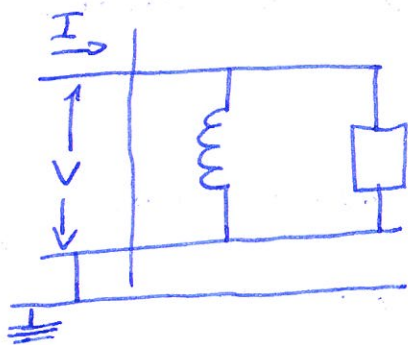
Elimination of Latent variables

Definition 1.15: Let $P \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p, q}$, $M \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p, r}$. Then the behavior $\mathcal{L}_e := \{z \in \mathcal{L}_\infty^q \mid \exists e \in \mathcal{L}_\infty^r \text{ with } P(\frac{\partial}{\partial t})z = M(\frac{\partial}{\partial t})e\}$ is called a latent variable description.

In this case, e is called the latent variable and z is called the manifest variable.

Furthermore, $\mathcal{L}_f := \{ \begin{bmatrix} z \\ e \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{L}_\infty^{q+r} \mid P(\frac{\partial}{\partial t})z = M(\frac{\partial}{\partial t})e \}$
 $= \mathcal{L}([P, -M])$

is called the associated full behavior. In contrast to this \mathcal{L}_e is called the manifest behavior.



$$P(\lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -R & 1 & 0 & \\ & L & 1 & \end{bmatrix} \quad z = \begin{bmatrix} I_R \\ I_L \\ I \\ V \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \text{latent} \\ \text{manifest} \end{array}$$

Theorem 1.16: For every system \mathcal{L}_e in latent variable description there exists a $\tilde{P} \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{\tilde{p}, q}$ such that the manifest behavior is given by $\mathcal{L}_e = \mathcal{L}(\tilde{P})$.

Proof: We use the notation of Definition 1.15.

Let $U \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,p}$ be unimodular such that

$$UM = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } M_1 \text{ has full row rank (Existence of } U: \text{Homework)}$$

Partition $UP =: \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ \tilde{P} \end{bmatrix}$ accordingly and observe that then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_e &= \{z \mid \exists e \quad U \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) P \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) z = U \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) e\} \\ &= \{z \mid \exists e \quad \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) z \\ \tilde{P} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) e \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\} \subseteq \mathcal{L}_e(\tilde{P}) \end{aligned}$$

The other inclusion $\mathcal{L}_e \supseteq \mathcal{L}_e(\tilde{P})$ follows from the following Lemma 1.17. a) □

Lemma 1.17: Let $U \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,q}$. Then we have the following: a) M has full row rank if and only if: for every $y \in \mathcal{L}_\infty^p$ there exists an $e \in \mathcal{L}_\infty^q$ such that $M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) e(t) = y(t) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$

b) M has full column rank if and only if: there exists an open interval $\Pi \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ such that for every $e \in \mathcal{L}_\infty^q$ which vanishes identically on Π and satisfies $M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) e(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ we have $e = 0$.

Proof: a) " \Rightarrow " In this case the Smith form is $M = S[D, 0]T$. Let $y \in \mathcal{L}_\infty^p$ be arbitrary. Since

$$(*) \quad [Me = y] \Leftrightarrow [S[D, 0]T \underset{=: \tilde{e}}{e} = y] \Leftrightarrow [[D, 0] \underset{=: \tilde{e}}{\tilde{e}} = S^{-1}y] \quad \left. \vphantom{(*)} \right\} \begin{matrix} \tilde{e} = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ \vdots \\ e_q \end{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

we set $\tilde{y} := S^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon}\right) y$ and denote the entries of \tilde{y} by $\tilde{y} =: \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_p \end{bmatrix}$. (Remember: $D =: \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & d_p \end{bmatrix}$)

From the theory of ODEs (or simply by dividing by a nonzero constant if d_i is a nonzero constant) we know that the scalar equation

$$d_i \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) e_i = \gamma_i \quad i=1, \dots, p \text{ all have (at least) one solution.}$$

In the following let e_1, \dots, e_p denote (any one of) those solutions. Set $\tilde{e} := \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ \vdots \\ e_p \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{C}_\infty^q$ and with this $e = T^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \tilde{e}$.

Then by (*) we obtain that $M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) e = \gamma$.

" \Leftarrow " We show the negation, i.e., ~~is~~ ^{assume} M has not full row rank which means that the Smith form is $M = S \begin{bmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$ ≥ 1 rows.

$$\text{Set } \hat{\gamma}(t) := S \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{last element}$$

To show that there is no \hat{e} with $M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \hat{e} = \hat{\gamma}$ we can equivalently show that there is no \tilde{e} with

$$\begin{bmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{e} = S^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \hat{e} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{this equivalence follows similar to } (*)).$$

Such an \tilde{e} can clearly not exist, since the last entry in $\begin{bmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{e}$ is always zero.

b) " \Rightarrow " In this case the Smith form is $M = S \begin{bmatrix} D \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$.

Thus every $e \in \mathcal{C}_\infty^q$ with $M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) e = 0$ satisfies $0 = (S^{-1} M) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) e = \begin{bmatrix} D \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) e$ and all the e_1, \dots, e_q also vanish identically in \mathbb{I} . $\tilde{e} = [e_1, \dots, e_q]^T$

Thus there exists a (or: Thus for every) $t_0 \in \mathbb{I}$ such that

$$e_i^{(j)}(t_0) = 0 \quad \forall i=1, \dots, q, j \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

Since, however, $d_i \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \right) e_i = 0 \quad i=1, \dots, q$ we conclude from the standard theory of ODEs that $e_1 = \dots = e_q = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \tilde{e} = 0 \Rightarrow e = T^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \right) \tilde{e} = 0$

" \Leftarrow " Assume to the contrary that M does not have full column rank. Then by Corollary 1.14 there exists a prime kernel spanning matrix $U \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{q, m}$ which in this case satisfies $m \geq 1$.

According to Theorem 1.13. e) (formulated for right prime matrices), let \tilde{U} be with $\tilde{U}U = I$.

Let $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}_\infty^m$ be a nontrivial function which vanishes in Π . Then $z := U \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \right) \alpha \in \mathcal{C}_\infty^q$ vanishes in Π and

$$\text{fulfills } M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \right) z = \underbrace{(MU)}_{=0} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \right) \alpha = 0$$

= 0, since U is kernel spanning matrix of M.

although $\tilde{U} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \right) z = (\tilde{U}U) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \right) \alpha = \alpha \neq 0$, which implies $z \neq 0$. ▣

Autonomous behaviors

Definition 1.18. Let $R \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,q}$.

a) $\mathcal{L}(R)$ is called autonomous if all trajectories are determined by their past, i.e.,

$$[z_1, z_2 \in \mathcal{L}(R) \text{ with } z_1(t) = z_2(t), t \leq 0] \Rightarrow [z_1 = z_2]$$

b) If there exists a permutation $\Pi \in \mathbb{R}^{q,q}$ such that

$$R\Pi = \begin{bmatrix} P & Q \end{bmatrix} \text{ then}$$

(P, Q) is called a partition of R . In this case we split

$$\text{up the original space } \Pi^{-1} z = \begin{bmatrix} y \\ u \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} e\text{-elements} \\ m\text{-elements} \end{matrix}$$

accordingly, such that $[R \begin{pmatrix} \partial \\ \partial \end{pmatrix} z(t) = 0] \Leftrightarrow [P \begin{pmatrix} \partial \\ \partial \end{pmatrix} y(t) \dots$

c) For a partition (P, Q) with signal space $\begin{bmatrix} y \\ u \end{bmatrix}$ we say that

u is free if for all $u \in \mathcal{C}_\infty^m$ there exists a $y \in \mathcal{C}_\infty^e$ such that $\begin{bmatrix} y \\ u \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{L}([P, Q])$.

In this case we say that $\mathcal{L}(R)$ has free components.

Theorem 1.19: Let $R \in \mathbb{C}[\lambda]^{p,q}$. Then the following are equivalent: a) R has full column rank

b) $\mathcal{L}(R)$ is autonomous

c) $\mathcal{L}(R)$ has no free components

Proof: One first shows that $\mathcal{L}(R)$ is autonomous

if and only if $[z \in \mathcal{L}(R), z(t) = 0 \forall t \leq 0] \Rightarrow [z = 0]$ (HFF)

a) \Rightarrow b) Let $z \in \mathcal{L}(R)$; $z(t) = 0 \forall t \leq 0$. Using Lemma 1.17 b) we conclude $z = 0$

b) \Rightarrow a)

Again follows from Lemma 1.17. b). $\Pi := (-\infty, 0]$

c) \Rightarrow a) Assume to the contrary that R does not have full column rank. Denote the columns of R by $r_1, \dots, r_q \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{p,1}$. Since

$$\text{range}_{\mathbb{C}(\tau)} R = \text{span}_{\mathbb{C}(\tau)} (r_1, \dots, r_q)$$

one can select a basis of the linear space

(Basisauswahlsatz) $\text{range}_{\mathbb{C}(\tau)} R$ out of r_1, \dots, r_q .

Let Π be the permutation which moves those basis elements to the front. Then we have

$$R\Pi = \begin{bmatrix} P & Q \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } P \text{ contains the basis elements, i.e., } P \text{ has full column rank and}$$

$q-m$ cols $m \geq 1$ cols

elements, i.e., P has full column rank and

$$\text{range}_{\mathbb{C}(\tau)} R = \text{range}_{\mathbb{C}(\tau)} P \Rightarrow \text{rank}_{\mathbb{C}(\tau)} R = \text{rank}_{\mathbb{C}(\tau)} P$$

P has full column rank \Downarrow $q-m$.

Let $U \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{p,p}$ be unimodular with $UR = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ where

R_1 has full row rank $q-m$.

$$\Rightarrow U[P, Q] =: \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & Q_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} q-m \text{ rows} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{matrix}, \quad R_1 \Pi = [P_1, Q_1].$$

$= R\Pi$

Since $UP = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, P_1 still has full column rank

$q-m$. Thus P_1 is invertible. Using Lemma 1.17. a)

this means that for every $u \in \mathcal{C}_{\infty}^{q-m}$ there exists

$y \in \mathcal{C}_{\infty}^{q-m}$ with $P_1 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon} \right) y = -Q \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon} \right) u$

$\Rightarrow [P \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon} \right), Q \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon} \right)] \begin{bmatrix} y \\ u \end{bmatrix} = 0$ which shows that u is free.

a) \Rightarrow c) By contradiction: Let (\tilde{P}, \tilde{Q}) be any partition of R with signal space $\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{Y} \\ \tilde{u} \end{bmatrix}$, where \tilde{Q} has at least one column.

We show that \tilde{u} can not be free. Let U be unimodular with $U[\tilde{P}, \tilde{Q}] = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & Q_1 \\ 0 & Q_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ such that P_1 and Q_2 are invertible (Existence: Homework)

Thus for all trajectories $(\tilde{Y}, \tilde{u}) \in \mathcal{L}([\tilde{P}, \tilde{Q}]) = \mathcal{L}\left(\begin{bmatrix} P_1 & Q_1 \\ 0 & Q_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ we have $Q_2 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon}\right) \tilde{u} = 0$.

However, using Lemma 1.17 a) we can construct a \tilde{u}_0 with $Q_2 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon}\right) \tilde{u}_0 \neq 0$. For this \tilde{u}_0 we then have that

$$(\tilde{Y}, \tilde{u}_0) \notin \mathcal{L}\left(\begin{bmatrix} P_1 & Q_1 \\ 0 & Q_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \mathcal{L}([\tilde{P}, \tilde{Q}]) \text{ for all } \tilde{Y}.$$

Thus \tilde{u} is not free. \square

