

Geometric Control Theory for Linear Systems

Block 1: Foundations [10:30 - 12.30]:

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Controlled Invariant Subspaces

Definition

Given a linear map $A : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ and a subspace $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{X}$, a subspace $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ is an (A, \mathcal{B}) -controlled invariant if

$$A\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{V} + \mathcal{B}$$

Let B be a basis matrix of \mathcal{B} : the following statements are equivalent:

- \mathcal{V} is an (A, \mathcal{B}) -controlled invariant
- a matrix F exists such that $(A + BF)\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$
- matrices X and U exist such that $AV = VX + BU$
- \mathcal{V} is a locus of trajectories of the pair (A, B)

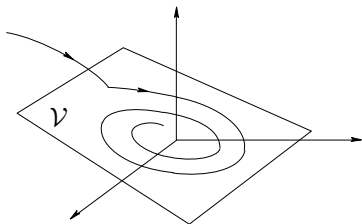


Fig: The controlled invariant as a locus of trajectories.

The maximum controlled invariant contained in \mathcal{C}

The sum of two controlled invariants is a controlled invariant. The intersection is not. Let $\mathcal{V}(A, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C})$ be the set of all the (A, \mathcal{B}) -controlled invariants contained in the subspace $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{X}$.

Property

$(\mathcal{V}(A, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}), +; \subseteq)$ is a non-distributive modular upper semilattice.

$\mathcal{V}_{(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C})}^* = \max \mathcal{V}(A, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C})$ is the maximal (A, \mathcal{B}) -controlled invariant contained in \mathcal{C} .

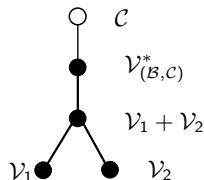


Fig: The upper semilattice $(\mathcal{V}(A, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}), +; \subseteq)$

Algorithm (Computation of $\mathcal{V}_{(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C})}^*$)

$$\mathcal{V}_1 = \mathcal{C}$$

$$\mathcal{V}_i = \mathcal{C} \cap A^{-1}(\mathcal{V}_{i-1} + \mathcal{B}) \quad i = 2, 3, \dots$$

$\mathcal{V}_{(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C})}^* = \mathcal{C} \cap A^{-1}(\mathcal{V}_{(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C})}^* + \mathcal{B})$ is obtained when the sequence stops.

The maximum controlled invariant contained in \mathcal{C}

Consider the system

$$\Sigma : \begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = A x(t) + B u(t) & x(0) = x_0 \\ y(t) = C x(t) \end{cases}$$

Given an initial condition x_0 belonging to $\mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{V}(A, \text{im } B, \ker C)$, we can find a control that maintains

- the state trajectory on \mathcal{V} because \mathcal{V} is controlled invariant
- the output at zero, because \mathcal{V} is contained in $\ker C$

For this reason, the subspaces in $\mathcal{V}(A, \text{im } B, \ker C)$ are also called **output-nulling** for Σ .

$\mathcal{V}_{(B,C)}^*$ is the maximum locus of trajectories contained in \mathcal{C} : this means that a suitable control action can maintain the trajectory on \mathcal{C} if and only if $x_0 \in \mathcal{V}_{(B,C)}^*$.

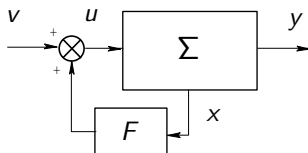
We will use the symbol \mathcal{V}^* for $\max \mathcal{V}(A, \text{im } B, \ker C)$: it is the maximal locus of controlled state trajectories such that the output is identically zero.

Reachable subspace on a controlled invariant

Given the triple (A, B, C) , the $(A, \text{im } B)$ -controlled invariant \mathcal{V} and the input function $u(t) = Fx(t) + v(t)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= (A + BF)x(t) + Bv(t), \quad x_0 \in \mathcal{V} \\ y(t) &= Cx(t)\end{aligned}$$

the state trajectories belong to \mathcal{V} if and only if $(A + BF)\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$ and $v(t) \in B^{-1}\mathcal{V} \forall t$:



The reachable subspace from the origin by state trajectories constrained to belong to \mathcal{V} :

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{V}} = \min \mathcal{J}(A + BF, \mathcal{V} \cap \text{im } B)$$

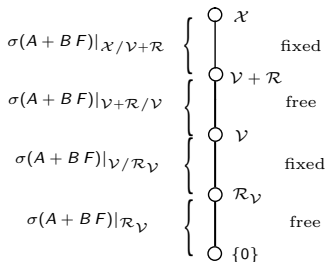
Being $(A + BF)$ -invariant, $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is an $(A, \text{im } B)$ controlled invariant itself.

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Internal and External Eigenvalues

Let \mathcal{V} be an (A, B) -controlled invariant and F such that $(A + BF)\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$. Being $\mathcal{R} = \min \mathcal{J}(A, B)$, we can partition the spectrum of $(A + BF)$ as in figure.



\mathcal{V} is said to be

- internally stabilizable if $\forall x_0 \in \mathcal{V}$, the trajectory can be maintained on \mathcal{V} converging to the origin by a suitable control action; this happens if and only if $(A + BF)|_{\mathcal{V}}$ is stable, i.e. if and only if $(A + BF)|_{\mathcal{V}/R_{\mathcal{V}}}$ is stable
- externally stabilizable if $\forall x_0 \notin \mathcal{V}$, the trajectory converge to \mathcal{V} by a suitable control action; this happens if and only if $(A + BF)|_{\mathcal{X}/\mathcal{V}}$ is stable, i.e. if and only if $(A + BF)|_{\mathcal{X}/\mathcal{V}+\mathcal{R}}$ is stable

Computation of feedback matrix F

Let V be a basis matrix of the $(A, \text{im } B)$ -controlled invariant \mathcal{V} . From equation $AV = VX + BU$ it is possible to derive a matrix F such that $(A + BF)\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ U \end{bmatrix} = [V \ B]^+ AV + HK$$

where H is a basis matrix of $\ker [V \ B]$ and K is an arbitrary matrix of proper dimensions. Then compute

$$F = -U(V^T V)^{-1} V^T$$

The degree of freedom K allows to assign the internal assignable eigenstructure of \mathcal{V} .

Algorithm

Computation of the internal unassignable eigenstructure of an (A, B) -controlled invariant (A'_{22}) . A matrix P representing the map $(A + BF)|_{\mathcal{V}/\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{V}}}$ up to an isomorphism, is derived as follows. Consider $T = [T_1 \ T_2 \ T_3]$, with $\text{im } T_1 = \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{V}}$, $\text{im}[T_1 \ T_2] = \mathcal{V}$ and T_3 such that T is nonsingular. In the new basis matrix $A + BF$ is expressed by

$$(A + BF)' = T^{-1}(A + BF)T = \begin{bmatrix} A'_{11} & A'_{12} & A'_{13} \\ 0 & A'_{22} & A'_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & A'_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

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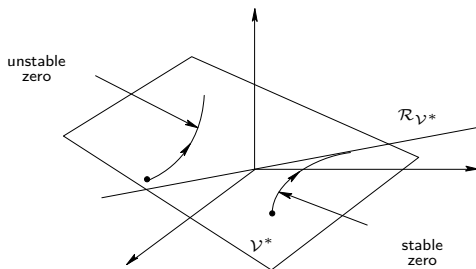
Invariant zeros of (A, B, C)

Roughly speaking, an invariant zero is a mode that, if suitably injected at the input of a system, can be nulled at the output by a suitable choice of the initial state.

Definition

The invariant zeros of (A, B, C) are the internal unassignable eigenvalues of \mathcal{V}^* . The invariant zero structure of (A, B, C) is the internal unassignable eigenstructure of \mathcal{V}^* .

Recall that $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{V}^*} = \min \mathcal{J}(A + BF, \mathcal{V}^* \cap \mathcal{B})$. The invariant zeros are the eigenvalues of the map $(A + BF)|_{\mathcal{V}^*/\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{V}^*}}$, where F denotes any matrix such that $(A + BF)\mathcal{V}^* \subseteq \mathcal{V}^*$.



Invariant zeros of (A, B, C)

Consider the change of basis defined by transformation $T = [T_1, T_2, T_3]$ with $\text{im } T_1 = \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{V}^*}$, $\text{im}[T_1 \ T_2] = \mathcal{V}^*$, then

$$T^{-1}(A + BF)T = \begin{bmatrix} A'_{11} & A'_{12} & A'_{13} \\ 0 & A'_{22} & A'_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & A'_{33} \end{bmatrix}.$$

The invariant zeros of (A, B, C) are the eigenvalues of matrix A'_{22} .

>> `z = gazero(A,B,C,[D]);` Computation of invariant zeros (A, B, C) or (A, B, C, D)

The routines can be downloaded from the web page:

<http://www3.deis.unibo.it/Staff/FullProf/GiovanniMarro/geometric.htm>

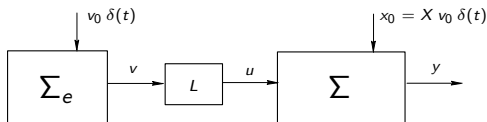
Invariant zeros of (A, B, C)

Let W be a real $m \times m$ matrix having the invariant zero structure of (A, B, C) as eigenstructure. A real $p \times m$ matrix L and a real $n \times m$ matrix X exist, with (W, X) observable, such that by applying to (A, B, C) the input function

$$u(t) = L e^{Wt} v_0 \quad (1)$$

where $v_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ denotes an arbitrary column vector, and starting from the initial state $x_0 = X v_0$, the output $y(\cdot)$ is identically zero, while the state evolution (on $\ker C$) is described by

$$x(t) = X e^{Wt} v_0 \quad (2)$$



Remark. In the discrete-time case equations (1) and (2) are replaced by $u(k) = L W^k v_0$ and $x(k) = X W^k v_0$, respectively.

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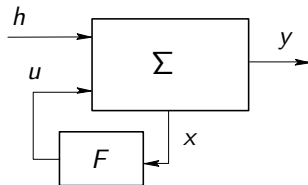
Disturbance Decoupling Problem

The *disturbance decoupling problem* is one of the earliest (1969) applications of the geometric approach.

Let us consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) + Hh(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t)\end{aligned}$$

where u denotes the manipulable input, h the disturbance input. Let $\mathcal{B} := \text{im}B$, $\mathcal{H} := \text{im}H$, $\mathcal{C} := \text{ker}C$.



The *disturbance decoupling problem* is: “determine, if possible, a state feedback matrix F such that disturbance h has no influence on output y .”

The system with state feedback is described by

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= (A + BF)x(t) + Hh(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t)\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

It behaves as requested if and only if its reachable set by h , i.e., the minimum $(A + BF)$ -invariant containing \mathcal{H} , is contained in \mathcal{C} .

Disturbance Decoupling Problem

Let $\mathcal{V}_{(\mathcal{B},\mathcal{C})}^* := \max \mathcal{V}(A, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C})$. Since any $(A + BF)$ -invariant is an (A, \mathcal{B}) -controlled invariant, the inaccessible disturbance decoupling problem has a solution if and only if

$$\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{V}_{(\mathcal{B},\mathcal{C})}^* \quad (4)$$

Equation (4) is a *structural condition* and does not ensure internal stability. If stability is requested, we have the *disturbance decoupling problem with stability*. Stability is easily handled by using self-bounded controlled invariants.

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