

線性時間變數系統的轉換

Transformations of Linear Time-Varying Systems

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**Abstract** — This paper presents some results on the transformation of a certain class of time-varying systems. It is shown that by successive application of algebraic transformation and  $t \leftrightarrow \tau$  transformation, the linear time varying system can be reduced to a linear time-invariant one.

I. Introduction

Recently, Wu has presented some new results on the solution, stability, and the transformation of a class of linear time-varying system [1-4]. It was first shown by Wu [1] that for a specific class of linear time-varying system, the state transition matrix  $\Phi(t_1)$  can be computed by the product of  $\exp(A_1 t)$  times  $\exp(A_2 t)$ , where  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are 2 constant matrices that can be obtained from the system matrix  $A(t)$ . It was also shown by Wu [3] that the stability of a linear time-varying system can be determined from the joint eigenvalues of  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ . Furthermore, by successive application of algebraic transformation and  $t \leftrightarrow \tau$  transformation, the linear time-varying system can be reduced to a linear time-invariant system. Wu's results is pleasant, however, he did not consider the case where a time-varying input is applied. This paper extends Wu's results to include input terms in the system equation. It is shown that a class of linear time-varying system with input can also be reduced to a linear time-invariant systems.

II. Main Results

*Lemma 1* Let  $A_1$  be an  $n \times n$  constant matrix, let  $h(t)$  be a time function which has  $h(t_0) \neq 0$ , let  $g(t)$  and  $t_0$  be defined as

$$g(t) = \int_{t_0}^t h(e) de \quad \text{with } g(t_0) = 0 \tag{1}$$

Then

$$A(t) = \exp(A_1 g(t)) A_h(t_0) \exp(-A_1 g(t)) h(t) \quad \forall t \tag{2}$$

is the solution of the following differential equation

$$A(t) = \left[ h(t) A_1 + \frac{\dot{h}(t)}{h(t)} \right] A(t) - h(t) A(t) A_1 \tag{3}$$

where  $A_h(t_0)$  is defined by

$$A_h(t_0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \frac{A(t)}{h(t)} \tag{4}$$

Lemma 1 can be proved by direct substitution.

**Lemma 2** Let  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  be an  $n \times n$  and  $n \times r$  constant matrix, respectively. Let  $h(t)$  is a time function which has  $\dot{h}(t)$ . Let  $g(t)$  and  $t_0$  be defined as (1).

Then

$$B(t) = h(t) \exp[A_1 g(t)] B_1 \quad (5)$$

is the solution of the following matrix differential equation

$$\dot{B}(t) = [h(t)A_1 + \frac{\dot{h}(t)}{h(t)}] B(t) \quad (6)$$

Lemma 2 can also be proved by direct substitution. Theorem 1 below shows how to transform a class of linear time varying system into time-invariant one.

**Theorem 1** Consider the linear time-varying system

$$\dot{X}(t) = A(t)X(t) + B(t)u(t) \quad (7)$$

If there exists a time function  $h(t)$  and 2 constant matrices  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  which satisfies the following equations

$$A_1 A(t) - A(t) A_1 = \frac{\dot{A}(t)}{h(t)} - \frac{\dot{h}(t)}{h^2(t)} A(t) \quad (8)$$

and

$$A_1 B(t) = \frac{\dot{B}(t)}{h(t)} - \frac{\dot{h}(t)}{h^2(t)} B(t) \quad \forall t \quad (9)$$

By successive application of algebraic transformation

$$X(t) = T(t) \bar{X}(t) \quad (10)$$

and  $t \leftrightarrow \tau$  transformation

$$\tau = g(t) = \int_{t_0}^t h(s) ds \quad \text{with } g(t_0) = 0 \quad (11)$$

The system (7) reduced to a linear time-invariant one

$$Z(\tau) = A_2 Z(\tau) + B_1 U(\tau) \quad (12)$$

where  $A_2 + A_1 = A_h(t_0)$  (13)

and  $T(t) = \exp(A_1 g(t))$  (14)

*Proof* With the algebraic transformation (10), one obtains

$$\dot{\bar{A}}(t) = T^{-1}(t)[A(t)T(t) - T(t)] \quad (15)$$



$$\bar{B}(t) = T^{-1}(t)B(t) \tag{16}$$

Substituting (14) and (2) into (15) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{A}(t) &= [A_n(t_0) - A_1]h(t) \\ &= A_2h(t) \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

Substituting (14) and (5) into (16)

$$\bar{B}(t) = B_1h(t) \tag{18}$$

Hence, by  $X(t) = T(t)\bar{X}(t)$ , system (7) becomes

$$\dot{\bar{X}}(t) = A_2h(t)X(t) + B_1h(t)u(t) \tag{19}$$

by the following  $t \leftrightarrow \tau$  transformation

$$Z(\tau) = \bar{X}(t) \tag{20}$$

system (19) becomes

$$\dot{Z}(\tau) \frac{d\tau}{dt} = A_2h(t)Z(\tau) + B_1h(t)u(\tau) \tag{21}$$

or

$$Z(\tau) = A_2Z(\tau) + B_1u(\tau) \tag{22}$$

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In the following 2 theorems, existence of  $A_1$  and  $h(t)$  will be discussed.

**Theorem 2 [4]** For the system (7), there exists a constant matrix  $A_1$  that satisfied (8) if and only if the  $n^2$  vector  $\underline{a}$  formed in terms of elements of  $\dot{A}(t)$ ,  $\{\dot{a}_{ij}(t)\}$  as

$$\underline{a}^T = [\dot{a}_{11}, \dot{a}_{12}, \dots, \dot{a}_{1n}, \dots, \dot{a}_{n1}, \dots, \dot{a}_{nn}] \tag{23}$$

is linearly dependent on the column vectors of the following Kronecker sum matrix

$$M(t) \triangleq -A(t) \times I + I \times A^T(t) \tag{24}$$

**Theorem 3 [4]** For the system (7), a necessary condition that there will exist a time function  $h(t)$  which satisfies (8) is that the characteristic polynomial of  $A(t)$  be of the form

$$\det [SI - A(t)] = S^n + \beta_1 S^{n-1}h(t) + \dots + \beta_n h^n(t) \tag{25}$$

where  $\beta_i, S$  are constants.

**Remark:**

For a given  $A(t)$  and  $h(t)$ , if the constant matrix  $A_1$  which satisfies (8) exists, then it is not unique [6]. Hence, a

suitable  $A_1$  must be chosen that will also satisfy (9).

### III. Examples

*Example 1.* Consider the system

$$\dot{X}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{6}{t^2} & -\frac{6}{t} \end{bmatrix} X(t) + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{t} \\ \frac{1}{t^2} \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $A(t)$  is

$$D(S) = \det(SI - A(t)) = S^2 + \frac{6}{t}S + \frac{6}{t^2}$$

From theorem 3, we know that there exists an  $h(t)$ .

let 
$$h(t) = \frac{1}{t}$$

Hence 
$$g(t) = \int_1^t \frac{1}{S} dS = \ell_n t \quad (t_0 = 1)$$

By solving (8) with  $h(t) = \frac{1}{t}$ , we obtain

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha + 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\alpha$  is arbitrary constant

from (9) and (30), we obtain that

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence

$$A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -6 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

with the following transformation

$$X(t) = \exp[A_1 g(t)] \bar{X}(t)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{t} \end{bmatrix} \bar{X}(t)$$

we obtain the following

$$\dot{\bar{X}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -6 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{t} \bar{X}(t) + \frac{1}{t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

By applying  $t \leftrightarrow \tau$  transformation with the following form

$$\tau = g(t) = \ell_n t$$

(35)



The system (34) reduced to

$$\dot{Z}(\tau) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -6 & -5 \end{bmatrix} Z(\tau) + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(\tau) \quad (36)$$

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Example 2. Consider the following system

$$\dot{X}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + \frac{1}{2}\cos 2t & 1 - \frac{1}{2}\sin 2t \\ -1 - \frac{1}{2}\sin 2t & -1 - \frac{1}{2}\cos 2t \end{bmatrix} X(t) + \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{bmatrix} u(t) \quad (37)$$

the characteristic polynomial of A(t) is

$$D(S) = \det(SI - A(t)) = S^2 + 2S + \frac{7}{4} \quad (38)$$

from theorem 3, we know that there exists an h(t). For simplicity, we choose

$$h(t) = 1 \quad (39)$$

solving (8) with h(t) = 1 yields

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 1 \\ -1 & \alpha \end{bmatrix} \quad (40)$$

where  $\alpha$  is arbitrary constant. In order  $A_1$  must also satisfy (9),  $\alpha$  must be zero. Therefore

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (41)$$

and 
$$A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (42)$$

with the algebraic transformation (10) where

$$T(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix} \quad (43)$$

the system (37) reduced to

$$\dot{\bar{X}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix} \bar{X}(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \quad (44)$$

#### IV. Conclusion

A class of linear time-varying system with input terms that can be reduced to a linear time-invariant system by suitably applying transformation is given. Related problems as controller design and realization problem will be exploited in the future.

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