

Control Engineering  
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Sheet # 4  
State Space Analysis

Question. Consider a control system with state model,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$x_1(0) = 0, x_2(0) = 1, u = \text{unit step}$$

Compute the state transition matrix and find the time response.

Solution. We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, X(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[sI - A] = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 \\ 2 & s+3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} s+3 & -2 \\ 1 & s \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} s+3 & 1 \\ -2 & s \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[sI - A]^{-1} = \frac{\text{Adj } A}{|sI - A|}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{bmatrix} s+3 & 1 \\ -2 & s \end{bmatrix}}{\begin{bmatrix} s & -1 \\ 2 & s+3 \end{bmatrix}} = \frac{1}{s^2 + 3s + 2} \begin{bmatrix} s+3 & 1 \\ -2 & s \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s+3}{(s+1)(s+2)} & \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} \\ \frac{-2}{(s+1)(s+2)} & \frac{s}{(s+1)(s+2)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{2}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s+2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s+2}\right) \\ \left(\frac{-2}{s+1} + \frac{2}{s+2}\right) \left(\frac{-1}{s+1} + \frac{2}{s+2}\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^{At} = \Phi(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} [sI - A]^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (2e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) & (e^{-t} - e^{-2t}) \\ (-2e^{-t} + 2e^{-2t}) & (-e^{-t} + 2e^{-2t}) \end{bmatrix}$$

The time response of the linear time-invariant, non-homogeneous system is given by,

$$X(t) = e^{At} X_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} B u(\tau) \cdot d\tau$$

for unit step input,  $u(t) = 1$  for  $t > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &= \begin{bmatrix} (2e^t - e^{2t}) & (e^t - e^{2t}) \\ (-2e^t + 2e^{2t}) & (-e^t + 2e^{2t}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \\ &\int_0^t \begin{bmatrix} 2e^{(t-\tau)} - e^{2(t-\tau)} & (e^{(t-\tau)} - e^{2(t-\tau)}) \\ -2e^{(t-\tau)} + 2e^{2(t-\tau)} & (-e^{(t-\tau)} + 2e^{2(t-\tau)}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot d\tau \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} (e^t - e^{2t}) \\ (-e^t + 2e^{2t}) \end{bmatrix} + \int_0^t \begin{bmatrix} 2(e^{(t-\tau)} - e^{2(t-\tau)}) \\ 2(-e^{(t-\tau)} + 2e^{2(t-\tau)}) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} e^t - e^{2t} + \int_0^t 2e^{(t-\tau)} - 2e^{2(t-\tau)} \cdot d\tau \\ -e^t + 2e^{2t} + \int_0^t -2e^{(t-\tau)} + 4e^{2(t-\tau)} \cdot d\tau \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

To solve the integral part, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} B u(\tau) \cdot d\tau \\ &= e^{At} \int_0^t e^{A(-\tau)} B u(\tau) \cdot d\tau, \text{ for } u(t) = 1; t > 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{A(-\tau)} B u(\tau) = \begin{bmatrix} (2e^{-\tau} - e^{-2\tau}) & (e^{-\tau} - e^{-2\tau}) \\ (-2e^{-\tau} + 2e^{-2\tau}) & (-e^{-\tau} + 2e^{-2\tau}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (2e^{-\tau} - 2e^{-2\tau}) \\ (-2e^{-\tau} + 4e^{-2\tau}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \int_0^t e^{A(\tau)} B u(\tau) \cdot d\tau &= \begin{bmatrix} (2e^t - 2e^{2t}) \\ (-2e^t + 4e^{2t}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2e^t - 2e^{2t} \\ -2e^t + 2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 - 1 \\ -2 + 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2e^t - e^{2t} - 1 \\ -2e^t + 2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$