

# Popov Forms of Matrices of Differential Polynomials

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# Example

Consider system of differential equations

$$\begin{array}{rclclclclcl}
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We usually deal with such systems by first converting them to first order systems

$$A(t)Y'(t) = B(t)Y(t) + C(t)$$

and then using various techniques to build various solutions or solution types (e.g. existence of rational function or exponential solutions).

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$$\begin{aligned} y_1''(t) &= -(t+2)y_1(t) - t^2 y_2''(t) - y_2(t) - y_3'(t) - y_3(t) \\ y_2'''(t) &= -y_1'(t) - 3y_1(t) - 2y_2'(t) + y_2(t) - y_3'''(t) + 2t^2 y_3(t) \\ y_3'''(t) &= -y_1'(t) - y_1(t) - y_2''(t) - 2ty_2'(t) - y_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

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- For systems not having this ‘special form’ one can always do row operations, derivations and eliminations to put a matrix of differential operators into the correct form.
- Basically given  $A(D)$  one looks for an invertible  $U(D)$  such that

$$U(D) \cdot A(D) = P(D) = \text{matrix in special form}$$

- Special form needs to have columns of highest order in each row and one row cannot ‘interfere’ with columns of highest order in other rows.

## Questions

- What are these special normal forms?
- How to compute such normal forms?
- Where does one go for ideas for these normal forms?

WARNING : this is only a preliminary report on this topic.

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- Matrix polynomials (in fact rational expressions of form  $A(z) = U(z) \cdot V(z)^{-1}$ ) used in linear control theory

$$v \longrightarrow \blacksquare \longrightarrow Av$$

- Matrix GCDs needed for minimal rational matrix expressions
- Builds input-output model for control system
- Concept of Transfer functions also seems to exist for nonlinear control (Ziming Li [FoCM'08])

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$$\text{Input : } A(z) = \begin{bmatrix} z^2 + 1 & z & z^3 \\ z & 0 & z \\ z & z & z^3 - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Output : } B(z) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -z^2 + z + 1 \\ 0 & z & z^2 - z - 1 \\ 0 & 0 & z^3 - z^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Some Additional Remarks

- Also have **Smith Normal Form** for row and column equivalence.

$$\mathbf{U}(z) \cdot \mathbf{A}(z) \cdot \mathbf{V}(z) = \text{diag}(s_1(z), \dots, s_m(z))$$

where  $s_i(z) | s_{i+1}(z)$  for all  $i$ . Determinantal divisors.  
 Invariant factors. Useful for solving

$$\mathbf{A}(z)\vec{x}(z) = \vec{b}(z).$$

- Also have noncommutative versions of these normal forms
  - e.g. for matrices  $\mathbf{A}(D)$  of differential operators
  - again useful for solving systems, but now of the form

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- e.g. used by Singer [1985] for LODE decision procedures for systems

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# Example

E.g. : Input degree bounds

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 & 4 \\ 6 & 7 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Output degree bounds for Popov form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Alternatively

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Monomials on vectors  $\mathbb{K}^{1 \times n}[z]$  :

$$z^\alpha \mathbf{e}_j = [0, \dots, 0, z^\alpha, 0, \dots, 0]$$

Ordering on monomials of  $\mathbb{K}^{1 \times n}[z]$  :

- Position over Term (POT):

$$z^\alpha \mathbf{e}_i < z^\beta \mathbf{e}_j \iff i < j \text{ or } i = j \text{ and } \alpha < \beta$$

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  - $\mathbf{A}^*(z)$  is a gclid of  $\Delta(z)$  and  $\mathbf{A}^*(z)$ .
  - All other gclid's  $\mathbf{G}(z)$  are then multiples, i.e.

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$$D(z) = \mathbf{G}(z)^{-1} \Delta(z) = \mathbf{V}(z)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^*(z)^{-1} \Delta(z) = \mathbf{U}(z) \mathbf{A}(z)$$

with  $\mathbf{U}(z)$  unimodular.

- Therefore find a minimal realization of  $\mathbf{A}(z)^{-1}$  having a denominator in Popov form.
- Algorithm exists for the above computation.
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# Symbolic Domains

- Basic coefficient domain: Quotient field:  $\mathbb{F}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k)$ 
  - symbols are first class objects in CA environments.
- Polynomial arithmetic easier than arithmetic with rational functions

$$\frac{a(x)}{b(x)} + \frac{c(x)}{d(x)} = \frac{a(x) \cdot d(x) + b(x) \cdot c(x)}{b(x) \cdot d(x)}$$

Need to recognize 0 : need to normalize out gcd's at every step

- Basic goal:
  - To work with polynomial arithmetic in integral domain (e.g. in  $\mathbb{F}[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k]$ ) rather than in quotient field.
- Want to do our arithmetic **fraction-free** but at the same time to minimize growth of intermediate computation.

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- Cross multiplication gives exponential growth of coeffs
- Fraction-free Gaussian elimination (FFGE)

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Allows for linear growth of coefficient size.

- Important: computes Cramer solution of linear problem.

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