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## SOLUTION OF THE STATE EQUATIONS OF DESCRIPTOR FRACTIONAL DISCRETE-TIME LINEAR SYSTEMS WITH REGULAR PENCILS

### *Abstract*

*A method for finding of the solutions of the state equations of descriptor fractional discrete-time linear systems with regular pencils is proposed. The derivation of the solution formula is based on the application of the Z transform and the convolution theorem. A procedure for computation of the transition matrix is proposed. The effectiveness of the proposed method is demonstrated on a simple numerical example.*

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Descriptor (singular) linear systems with regular pencils have been considered in many papers and books [1-4, 10-12, 15, 17, 18, 20]. The eigenvalues and invariants assignment by state and output feedbacks have been investigated in [10, 11] and the realization problem for singular positive continuous-time systems with delays in [15]. The computation of Kronecker's canonical form of a singular pencil has been analyzed in [20]. A delay dependent criterion for a class of descriptor systems with delays varying in intervals has been proposed in [2].

Fractional positive continuous-time linear systems have been addressed in [9] and positive linear systems with different fractional orders in [8]. A new concept of the practical stability of the positive fractional 2D systems has been proposed in [14]. The reachability of the positive fractional linear systems has been considered in [9] and some selected problems in theory of fractional linear systems in the monograph [16].

A new class of descriptor fractional linear systems and electrical circuits has been introduced, their solution of state equations has been derived and a method for decomposition of the descriptor fractional linear systems with regular pencils into dynamic and static parts has been proposed in [6]. Positive fractional continuous-time linear systems with singular pencils has been considered in [7].

In this paper a method for finding of the solutions of the state equations of descriptor fractional discrete-time linear systems with regular pencils will be proposed.

The paper is organized as follows. In section 2 the solution to the state equation of the descriptor system is derived using the method based on the Z transform and the convolution theorem. A method for computation of the transition matrix is proposed in section 3. In section 4 the proposed method is illustrated on a simple numerical example. Concluding remarks are given in section 5.

The following notation will be used:  $\mathfrak{R}$  - the set of real numbers,  $\mathfrak{R}^{n \times m}$  - the set of  $n \times m$  real matrices and  $\mathfrak{R}^n = \mathfrak{R}^{n \times 1}$ ,  $Z_+$  - the set of  $n \times n$  nonnegative matrices,  $I_n$  - the  $n \times n$  identity matrix

## 2. SOLUTION OF THE STATE EQUATION

Consider the descriptor fractional discrete-time linear system

$$E\Delta^\alpha x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i, \quad i \in Z_+ = \{0,1,2,\dots\}, \quad 0 < \alpha < 1 \quad (1)$$

where  $\alpha$  is fractional order,  $x_i \in \mathfrak{R}^n$  is the state vector  $u_i \in \mathfrak{R}^m$  is the input vector and  $E, A \in \mathfrak{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathfrak{R}^{n \times m}$ . It is assumed that  $\det E = 0$  but the pencil  $(E, A)$  is regular, i.e.

$$\det[Ez - A] \neq 0 \text{ for some } z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ (the field of complex numbers)}. \quad (2)$$

Without loss of generality we may assume

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} E_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathfrak{R}^{n \times n}, \quad E_1 \in \mathfrak{R}^{r \times r} \text{ and } \text{rank } E_1 = \text{rank } E = r < n. \quad (3)$$

Consistent boundary conditions for (1) are given by  $Ex_0$ . The fractional difference of the order  $\alpha \in [0,1)$  is defined by

$$\Delta^\alpha x_i = \sum_{k=0}^i c_k x_{i-k} \quad (4a)$$

where

$$c_k = (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k}, \quad k = 0,1,\dots \quad (4b)$$

and

$$\binom{\alpha}{k} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } k = 0 \\ \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\dots(\alpha-k+1)}{k!} & \text{for } k = 1,2,\dots \end{cases} \quad (4c)$$

Substitution of (4a) into (1) yields

$$Ex_{i+1} = Fx_i - \sum_{k=2}^{i+1} Ec_k x_{i-k+1} + Bu_i, \quad i \in Z_+ \quad (5)$$

where  $F = A - Ec_1 = A + E\alpha$ .

Applying to (5) the  $Z$  transform and taking into account that [11]

$$Z[x_{i-p}] = z^{-p} X(z) + z^{-p} \sum_{j=1}^{-p} x_j z^{-j}, \quad p = 1,2,\dots \quad (6)$$

we obtain

$$X(z) = [Ez - F]^{-1} \{Ex_0 z - H(z) + BU(z)\} \quad (7a)$$

where

$$X(z) = Z[x_i] = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x_i z^{-i}, U(z) = Z[u_i] = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} u_i z^{-i}, H(z) = Z[h_i], h_i = \sum_{k=2}^{i+1} E c_k x_{i-k+1}. \quad (7b)$$

Let

$$[Ez - F]^{-1} = \sum_{j=-\mu}^{\infty} \psi_j z^{-(j+1)} \quad (8)$$

where  $\mu$  is positive integer defined by the pair  $(E, A)$  [11, 20]. Comparison of the coefficients at the same powers of  $z$  of the equation

$$[Ez - F] \left( \sum_{j=-\mu}^{\infty} \psi_j z^{-(j+1)} \right) = \left( \sum_{j=-\mu}^{\infty} \psi_j z^{-(j+1)} \right) [Ez - F] = I_n \quad (9a)$$

yields

$$E\psi_{-\mu} = \psi_{-\mu}E = 0 \quad (9b)$$

and

$$E\psi_k - F\psi_{k-1} = \psi_k E - \psi_{k-1} F = \begin{cases} I_n & \text{for } k = 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } k = 1 - \mu, 2 - \mu, \dots, -1, 1, 2, \dots \end{cases} \quad (9c)$$

From (9b) and (9c) we have the matrix equation

$$G \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{0\mu} \\ \psi_{1N} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (10a)$$

where

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} G_1 & 0 \\ G_{21} & G_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathfrak{R}^{(N+\mu+1)n \times (N+\mu+1)n}, \quad G_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & -F \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathfrak{R}^{Nn \times (\mu+1)n},$$

$$G_1 = \begin{bmatrix} E & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -F & E & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -F & E & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -F & E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -F & E \end{bmatrix} \in \mathfrak{R}^{(\mu+1)n \times (\mu+1)n}, \quad G_2 = \begin{bmatrix} E & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -F & E & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -F & E & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -F & E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -F & E \end{bmatrix} \in \mathfrak{R}^{Nn \times Nn},$$

$$\psi_{0\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{-\mu} \\ \psi_{1-\mu} \\ \vdots \\ \psi_0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathfrak{R}^{(\mu+1)n \times n}, \quad \psi_{1N} = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_N \end{bmatrix} \in \mathfrak{R}^{Nn \times n}, \quad V = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ I_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathfrak{R}^{(\mu+1)n \times n} \quad (10b)$$

The equation (10a) has the solution  $\begin{bmatrix} \psi_{0\mu} \\ \psi_{1N} \end{bmatrix}$  for given  $G$  and  $V$  if and only if

$$\text{rank} \left\{ G, \begin{bmatrix} V \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{rank } G. \quad (11)$$

It is easy to show that the condition (11) is satisfied if the condition (2) is met. Substituting (8) into (7a) we obtain

$$X(z) = \left( \sum_{j=-\mu}^{\infty} \psi_j z^{-(j+1)} \right) [Ex_0 z - H(z) + BU(z)]. \quad (12)$$

Applying the inverse transform  $\mathcal{Z}^{-1}$  and the convolution theorem to (12) we obtain

$$x_i = \psi_i Ex_0 - \sum_{k=0}^{i+\mu-1} \psi_{i-k-1} \sum_{j=2}^{k+1} c_j x_{k-j+1} + \sum_{k=0}^{i+\mu-1} \psi_{i-k-1} Bu_k. \quad (13)$$

To find the solution to the equation (1) first we compute the transition matrices  $\psi_j$  for  $j = -\mu, 1 - \mu, \dots, 1, 2, \dots$  and next using (13) the desired solution.

### 3. COMPUTATION OF TRANSITION MATRICES

To compute the transition matrices  $\psi_k$  for  $k = -\mu, 1 - \mu, \dots, N, \dots$  the following procedure is recommended.

*Procedure 1.*

Step 1. Find a solution  $\psi_{0,\mu}$  of the equation

$$G_1 \psi_{0,\mu} = V \quad (14)$$

where  $G_1$ ,  $\psi_{0,\mu}$  and  $V$  are defined by (10b). Note that if the matrix  $E$  has the form (3) then the first  $r$  rows of the matrix  $\psi_{0,\mu}$  are zero and its last  $n - r$  rows are arbitrary.

Step 2. Choose  $n - r$  arbitrary rows of the matrix  $\psi_0$  so that the equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} E & 0 \\ -F & E \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_0 \\ \psi_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_n + F\psi_{-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (15)$$

has a solution with arbitrary last  $n - r$  rows of the matrix  $\psi_1$ .

Step 3. Knowing  $\psi_{0,\mu}$  choose the last  $n - r$  rows of the matrix  $\psi_1$  so that the equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} E & 0 \\ -F & E \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \psi_0 \quad (16)$$

has a solution with arbitrary last  $n - r$  rows of the matrix  $\psi_2$ . Repeating the last step

for  $\begin{bmatrix} \psi_2 \\ \psi_3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} \psi_3 \\ \psi_4 \end{bmatrix}$ , ... we may compute the desired matrices  $\psi_k$  for  $k = -\mu, 1 - \mu, \dots$ .

The details of the procedure will be shown on the following example.

#### 4. EXAMPLE

Find the solution to the equation (1) for  $\alpha = 0.5$  with the matrices

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (17)$$

and the initial condition  $Ex_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

In this case the pencil (2) of (17) is regular since

$$\det[Ez - A] = \begin{vmatrix} z & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2z \quad (18)$$

$\mu = 1$  and

$$F = [A + E\alpha] = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (19)$$

Using Procedure 1 we obtain the following.

Step 1. In this case the equation (14) has the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\alpha & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{-1} \\ \psi_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20)$$

and its solution with the arbitrary second row  $[\psi_{21}^0 \quad \psi_{22}^0]$  of  $\psi_0$  is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} \psi_{-1} \\ \psi_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 \\ 1 & 0 \\ \psi_{21}^0 & \psi_{22}^0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (21)$$

Step 2. We choose the row  $[\psi_{21}^0 \quad \psi_{22}^0]$  of  $\psi_0$  so that the equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\alpha & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_0 \\ \psi_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (22)$$

has the solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} \psi_0 \\ \psi_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0 \\ \alpha & 0 \\ \psi_{21}^1 & \psi_{22}^1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (23)$$

with the second arbitrary row  $[\psi_{21}^1 \ \psi_{22}^1]$  of  $\psi_1$ .

Step 3. We choose  $[\psi_{21}^1 \ \psi_{22}^1]$  so that the equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ \psi_{21}^1 & \psi_{22}^1 \\ -\alpha^2 & 0 \\ \psi_{21}^2 & \psi_{22}^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

has the solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0.5\alpha & 0 \\ \alpha^2 & 0 \\ \psi_{21}^2 & \psi_{22}^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (25)$$

with arbitrary  $[\psi_{21}^2 \ \psi_{22}^2]$ .

Continuing the procedure we obtain

$$\psi_{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \psi_k = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^k & 0 \\ 0.5\alpha^k & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } k = 0, 1, \dots \quad (26)$$

Using (13), (17) and (19) we obtain the desired solution of the form

$$x_i = \psi_i \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \sum_{k=0}^i \psi_{i-k-1} \sum_{j=2}^{k+1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} c_j x_{k-j+1} + \sum_{k=0}^i \psi_{i-k-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} u_k \quad (29)$$

where  $c_j$  are defined by (4b).

## 5. CONCLUDING REMARKS

A new method for finding of the solution of the state equation of descriptor fractional discrete-time linear systems with regular pencils has been proposed. Derivation of the solution formula has been based on the application of the  $\mathcal{Z}$  transform and the convolution theorem. A procedure for computation of the transition matrices has been proposed and its application has been demonstrated on a simple numerical example. The presented method can be easily extended to continuous-time descriptor fractional linear system with regular pencils. An open problem is an extension of the method for 2D descriptor fractional discrete and continuous-discrete linear systems.

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# ROZWIĄZANIE RÓWNAŃ STANU DESKRYPTOWYCH UKŁADÓW DYSKRETNYCH RZĘDÓW NIECAŁKOWITYCH O PĘKACH REGULARNYCH

## *Streszczenie*

*Podano metodę wyznaczania rozwiązań równań stanu deskryptowych układów dyskretnych rzędów niecałkowitych o pękach regularnych. Rozwiązanie to zostało wyprowadzone korzystając z przekształcenia zet i twierdzenia o transformacie splotu. Zaproponowano procedurę wyznaczania macierzy tranzycji tych układów. Proponowaną metodę zilustrowano przykładem numerycznym.*

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