

Polynomial Matrix Representation:

Beside from state-space representations and transferfunction matrices, there exists yet another representation which is commonly used. This is the polynomial matrix representation.

Problem:

In the frequency domain, we usually operate on rational functions. This is potentially harmful in a numerical sense, as there are poles in unpredictable places.

⇒ The sensitivity of parameters in any such representation (coefficients, roots, etc.) will be poorly balanced in the neighborhood of these poles.

Idea: Spare the division in each algorithm to the very last step, and operate strictly on polynomial matrices ever before. Thus:

$$\underline{Y}(s) = \underline{G}(s) \cdot \underline{U}(s) = \frac{\underline{P}(s)}{\underline{Q}(s)} \cdot \underline{U}(s)$$

is now represented as:

$$\boxed{\underline{Q}(s) \cdot \underline{Y}(s) = \underline{P}(s) \cdot \underline{U}(s)}$$

This is a possible polynomial matrix representation.

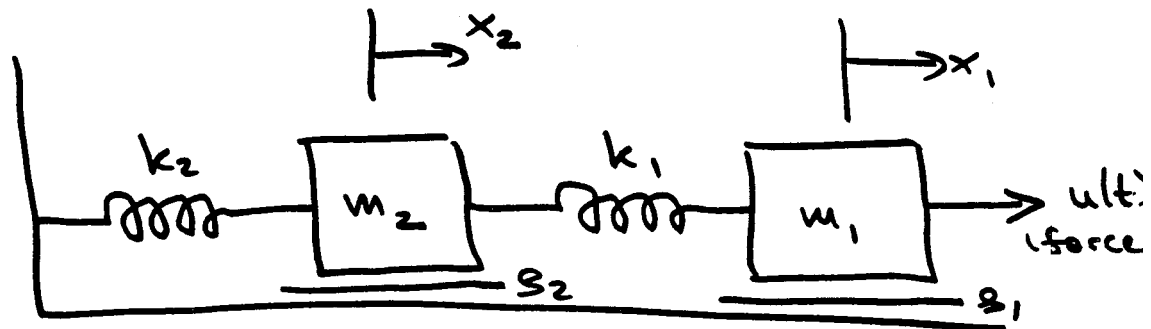
⇒ This idea was generalized
e.g. by:

W.A. Wolovich: "Linear Multivariable Systems", Springer 1974.

• The basic idea works as follows: In the time domain, we always operated on sets

of 1st order ODE's. In the frequency domain, we operated on characteristic polynomials $\Leftrightarrow$ one n^{th} -order ODE. However, any representation between these two extremes is also possible.

Example:



$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} m_1 \ddot{x}_1 + s_1 \dot{x}_1 + k_1 (x_1 - x_2) = u(t) \\ m_2 \ddot{x}_2 + s_2 \dot{x}_2 - k_1 (x_1 - x_2) + k_2 x_2 = 0 \\ y_1 = x_1 \\ y_2 = \dot{x}_1 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} (m_1 s^2 + s_1 s + k_1) & -k_1 \\ -k_1 & (m_2 s^2 + s_2 s + k_1 + k_2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

would be a possible polynomial matrix representation. While the state-space representations operate on 4 1st-order ODE's, and the transfer function operates on 1 4th-order ODE, this representation operates on 2 2nd-order ODE's.

In general:

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \underline{P}(s) \cdot \underline{x}(t) = \underline{Q}(s) \cdot \underline{u}(t) \\ \underline{y}(t) = \underline{R}(s) \cdot \underline{x}(t) + \underline{W}(s) \cdot \underline{u}(t) \end{array} \right|$$

$$\underline{u}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$$

$\therefore$ Input vector

$$\underline{y}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times 1}$$

$\therefore$ Output vector

$$\underline{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times 1}$$

$\therefore$ Partial state vector

$$1 \leq q \leq n$$

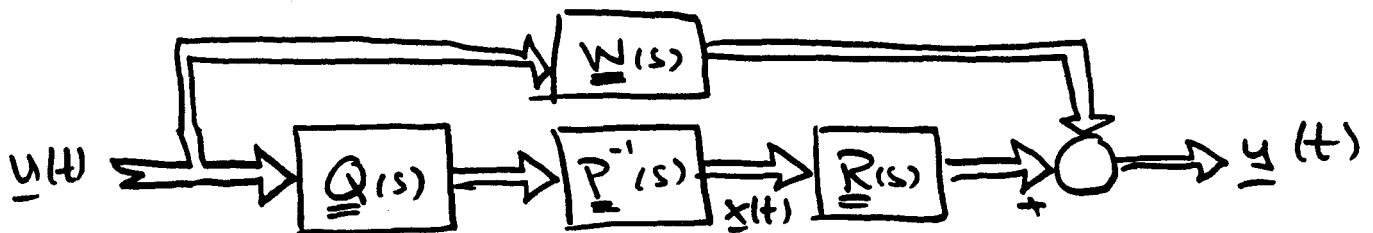
$$\Rightarrow \underline{P}(s) \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times q}; \quad \underline{Q}(s) \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times m};$$

$$\underline{R}(s) \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}; \quad \underline{W}(s) \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times m}$$

- Notice the mixture between time domain ($\underline{x}(t)$) and frequency domain ($\underline{P}(s)$)

Graphical representation:

$$\underline{x}(t) = \underline{P}^{-1}(s) \cdot \underline{Q}(s) \cdot \underline{u}(t)$$



- $\Rightarrow \underline{W}(s)$ is the direct input/output coupling $\hat{=} D$ -matrix.

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \text{System strictly proper} \Leftrightarrow \underline{W}(s) \equiv 0 \\ \text{System proper} \Leftrightarrow \underline{W}(s) \equiv \text{const} \\ \text{System not proper} \Leftrightarrow \underline{W}(s) = f(s) \end{cases}$$

- $\Rightarrow$ We can and will make the transfer function matrix:

$$\underline{R}(s) \cdot \underline{P}^{-1}(s) \cdot \underline{Q}(s)$$

always strictly proper.

⇒ We can and will always make $P(s)$ nonsingular

$$\Rightarrow |P(s)| \neq 0.$$

Notice: We can again define a "system" - matrix $\underline{\underline{S}}(s)$ as:

$$\underline{\underline{S}}(s) = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \underline{\underline{P}}(s) & \underline{\underline{Q}}(s) \\ \hline \underline{\underline{R}}(s) & \underline{\underline{W}}(s) \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{c} \downarrow q \\ \uparrow p \end{array}$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \begin{array}{cc} \longleftrightarrow & \longleftrightarrow \\ q & m \end{array}$$

similar to the "S"-matrix in the time domain.

Notice: Our "s"-operator is really not the normal Laplacian operator, but simply:

$$\boxed{s \hat{=} \frac{d}{dt}}$$

This is equivalent to the Laplacian iff all initial conditions are

zero which we, however, do not request. For this reason, many authors prefer to use a different letter:

Wolovich : D

Zadeh : P

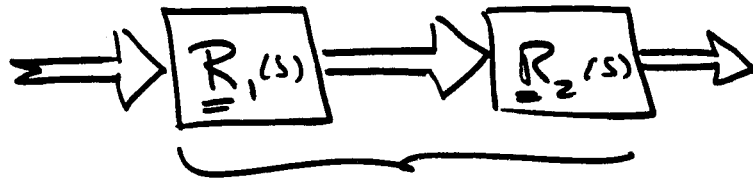
We shall stick to s , but we shall remember what we just did. In particular:

$$s \cdot \frac{1}{s} \neq \frac{1}{s} \cdot s$$

$\Rightarrow$ The division must be properly defined.

However, this is not really a problem as long as we stick to polynomials only ($\frac{1}{s}$ does not even exist). Moreover, matrix multiplications are anyway not commutative:

$$\underline{P}(s) \cdot \underline{Q}(s) \neq \underline{Q}(s) \cdot \underline{P}(s)$$



$$\underline{\underline{R}}(s) \equiv \underline{\underline{R}}_2(s) \cdot \underline{\underline{R}}_1(s)$$

↑
normal
matrix
multiplication

$$\underline{\underline{\text{but}}} \quad \underline{\underline{R}}_1(s) \cdot \underline{\underline{R}}_2(s) \neq \underline{\underline{R}}_2(s) \cdot \underline{\underline{R}}_1(s)$$

CASCADING MEANS MULTIPLICATION
IN REVERSED ORDER.

Problem: As we just flushed
the division down the drain,
we no longer operate on an
algebraic body, but only on
a commutative ring structure.

⇒ We must "relearn" the
basic operations available
for these data structures.

Idea: We remember that we know such a structure since 1st year grammar school. The integer numbers have the same properties:

$$\underbrace{5/3}_{\text{Integers}} = \underbrace{1.666...}_{\text{not integer}}$$

⇒ Algorithms that work on integers will work fine on polynomial matrices.

Solution: We define a set of elementary operations that are welldefined for polynomial matrices, and base all other operations on those.

Elementary Operations

(1) Row - Operations

There exist three elementary row operations. Each of them involves one left-multiplication with a special matrix.

(a) E' - operator :

$$E_{ij}^{1(n)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

Example :

$$E_{25}^{1(6)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$- + 2\phi -$$

$$\underline{\underline{P}}_2(s) = \underline{\underline{E}}_{ij}^{(n)} \cdot \underline{\underline{P}}_1(s)$$

$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{P}}_1(s)$ and $\underline{\underline{P}}_2(s)$ are almost the same, except that the i^{th} and the j^{th} row have been exchanged.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} & a_{44} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} & a_{44} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) E^2 -operator:

$$\underline{\underline{E}}_i^{2(n)}(c) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & \phi & & \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi & \dots & 1 & \dots & \phi \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi & \dots & \phi & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{i \times n}$$

c is a scalar $\neq \phi$

Example:

$$E_3^{2(s)}(18.7) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & 18.7 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{P}_2(s) = E_{i(c)}^{2(n)} \cdot \underline{P}_1(s)$$

⇒ The i^{th} row of $\underline{P}_1(s)$ got multiplied by c , $c \neq \phi$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & c & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} & a_{44} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ c \cdot a_{31} & c \cdot a_{32} & c \cdot a_{33} & c \cdot a_{34} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} & a_{44} \end{bmatrix}$$

(C) E^3 - operator :

$$E_{ij}^{3(n)}(b(s)) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & & & \\ \phi & \ddots & & & \\ & & \phi & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phi & & & & \\ & \phi & & & \\ & & \phi & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \phi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phi & & & & \\ & \phi & & & \\ & & \phi & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\begin{matrix} & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \end{matrix}$

Example:

$$E_{52}^{3(6)}(3s+5) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & (3s+5) & \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

⇒ The i^{th} row of $\underline{P}_1(s)$ gets replaced by:

$$i^{\text{th}} \text{ row} \leftarrow i^{\text{th}} \text{ row} + b(s) * j^{\text{th}} \text{ row}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi & s \\ \phi & \phi & 1 & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} & a_{44} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ (a_{21} + sa_{41}) & (a_{22} + sa_{42}) \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \\ a_{41} & a_{42} \end{bmatrix}$$

(2) Column-operations:

The column-operations are the same except that now the multiplication is done from the right.

Notice:

- All elementary matrices are nonsingular:

$$\det(E') = \det(E^2) \equiv 1$$

$$\det(E^2) = c \neq 0$$

- The determinant of all elementary matrices is constant $\neq f(s)$.
- The product of several elementary matrices is a polynomial matrix with constant determinant $\neq 0$.

Def: Polynomial matrices with determinant $= c \neq f(s) \neq 0$ are called unimodular.

Lemma: (without proof) All unimodular matrices can be written as products of elementary matrices.

Lemma: (without proof) All algorithms of linear algebra can be expressed through series of elementary operations.

Example: Given $P(s)$, find $P^{-1}(s)$

$\Rightarrow$ We use Gaussian elimination.

Algorithm:

- (1) We add the product of the first row and $e_i(s) = -P_{i1}(s)/P_{11}(s)$ to the i^{th} row:

$$K_1(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ e_{21}(s) & 1 & & & \\ e_{31}(s) & & 1 & & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \\ e_{n1}(s) & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K_1(s) = E_{21}^{3(n)}(e_{21}(s)) \cdot E_{31}^{3(n)}(e_{31}(s)) \cdot \dots \cdot E_{n1}^{3(n)}(e_{n1}(s))$$

$\Rightarrow K_1(s)$ is a unit^{modular} matrix.

$$\Rightarrow P_1(s) = K_1(s) \cdot P(s) = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11}(s) & P_{12}(s) & \dots & P_{1n}(s) \\ \emptyset & P_{22}^1(s) & \dots & P_{2n}^1(s) \\ \emptyset & P_{32}^1(s) & \dots & P_{3n}^1(s) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \emptyset & P_{n2}^1(s) & \dots & P_{nn}^1(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

where: $P_{ij}^1(s) = P_{ij}(s) + e_{i1}(s) \cdot P_{ij}(s)$

(2) We add the product of the 2nd row and $e_{i2}(s) = -P_{i2}^1(s)/P_{22}^1(s)$ to the i th row.

$$K_2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ \phi & 1 & \phi & \\ \phi & e_{32}(s) & 1 & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \\ \phi & e_{n2}(s) & \phi & \ddots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_2(s) = K_2(s) \cdot P_1(s) = K_2(s) \cdot K_1(s) \cdot P(s)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} P_{11}(s) & P_{12}(s) & \dots & P_{1n}(s) \\ \phi & P_{22}^1(s) & \dots & P_{2n}^1(s) \\ \phi & \phi & P_{33}^2(s) & \dots & P_{3n}^2(s) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi & \phi & P_{n3}^2(s) & \dots & P_{nn}^2(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

where: $P_{ij}^2(s) = P_{ij}^1(s) + e_{i2}(s) \cdot P_{2j}^1(s)$

etc.

$$\Rightarrow P_{n-1}(s) = \underbrace{K_{n-1}(s) \cdot K_{n-2}(s) \cdot \dots \cdot K_1(s)}_{K(s)} \cdot P(s) = \triangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{P_{n-1}(s) = K(s) \cdot P(s)}$$

↑
upper
triangular

↑
unimodular

$$\boxed{P(s) = K^{-1}(s) \cdot P_{n-1}(s)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{P^{-1}(s) = P_{n-1}^{-1}(s) \cdot K(s)}$$

→ The determination of $P^{-1}(s)$ has been reduced to the determination of an inverse of an upper triangular matrix. This can be solved by simply plugging in from the bottom to the top:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi & & & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y_n = a_{nn} x_n \Rightarrow x_n = \frac{1}{a_{nn}} y_n$$

$$y_{n-1} = a_{n-1,n-1} x_{n-1} + a_{n-1,n} x_n$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n-1} = \frac{1}{a_{n-1,n-1}} y_{n-1} - \frac{a_{n-1,n}}{a_{n-1,n-1}} y_n$$

etc.

$\Rightarrow$ This works even on Rational function matrices.

Example:

$$\underline{\underline{G}}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{(s+1)^2} & \frac{2}{(s+2)} & \frac{-(s+5)}{(s+2)} \\ \frac{1}{(s+1)} & \frac{4}{(s+1)^2(s+2)} & \phi \\ \frac{s}{(s+1)} & \frac{s}{(s+1)(s+2)} & \frac{-3}{(s+2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{K}}_1(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi \\ -(s+1) & 1 & \phi \\ -s(s+1) & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G_1(s) = K_1(s) G(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{(s+1)^2} & \frac{2}{(s+2)} & \frac{-(s+3)}{(s+2)} \\ \phi & \frac{4-2(s+1)^3}{(s+1)^2(s+2)} & \frac{(s+1)(s+3)}{(s+2)} \\ \phi & \frac{5-2s(s+1)^2}{(s+1)(s+2)} & \frac{s(s+1)(s+3)-3}{(s+2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow K_2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi \\ \phi & \frac{2s(s+1)^3-5(s+1)}{4-2(s+1)^3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow G_2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{(s+1)^2} & \frac{2}{(s+2)} & \frac{-(s+3)}{(s+2)} \\ \phi & \frac{4-2(s+1)^3}{(s+1)^2(s+2)} & \frac{(s+1)(s+3)}{(s+2)} \\ \phi & \phi & *$$

$$* = \frac{[2s(s+1)^2-5](s+1)^2(s+3) + [s(s+1)(s+3)-3][4-2(s+1)^3]}{(s+2)[4-2(s+1)^3]}$$

$$K(s) = K_2(s) K_1(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi \\ -(s+1) & 1 & \phi \\ \frac{(s+1)(s+3)}{4-2(s+1)^3} & \frac{2s(s+1)^3-5(s+1)}{4-2(s+1)^3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(K(s)) \equiv 1 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\text{unimodular}}}$$

$\Rightarrow G(s)$ has been decomposed:

$$K(s) \cdot G(s) = G_2(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow G(s) = K^{-1}(s) \cdot G_2(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow G(s) = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \triangle}}{K^+(s)} \cdot \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \nabla}}{G_2(s)}$$

$\Rightarrow$ LU-decomposition

• In similar ways, we can define the QR-decomposition as well.

• Notice: This gets soon pretty messy $\Rightarrow$ WE NEED A PROGRAM !!!

- Notice that the inverse of a unimodular matrix is a unimodular matrix.

Def: 2 polynomial matrices $P(s)$ and $Q(s)$ are:

→ ROW-EQUIVALENT, if $P(s) \equiv U_L(s) \cdot Q(s)$
 $\uparrow$
unimodular

→ COLUMN-EQUIVALENT, if $P(s) \equiv Q(s) \cdot U_R(s)$
 $\uparrow$
unimodular

→ EQUIVALENT; if $P(s) \equiv U_L(s) \cdot Q(s) \cdot U_R(s)$

Theorem:

Any polynomial matrix is row-equivalent to an upper-triangular matrix.

Proof: $\Rightarrow$ Use Gaussian Elimination.

A small modification will ensure that we don't leave the polynomial operations. Let me explain at hand of an example:

Example: $P(s) = \begin{bmatrix} s^2 & 2 \\ (s+1) & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- (i) Move the polynomial of the lowest degree in column 1 to the position (1,1) by row exchange:

$$P^1(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \emptyset & 1 \\ 1 & \emptyset \end{bmatrix} \cdot P(s) = \begin{bmatrix} (s+1) & 1 \\ s^2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (ii) Divide any nonvanishing element in column 1 by the element (1,1). We obtain a quotient q_{i1}^1 and a remainder r_{i1}^1 :

$$P_{i1}^1(s) / P_{11}^1(s) = q_{i1}^1(s) + r_{i1}^1(s) / P_{11}^1(s)$$

$$\frac{s^2}{s+1} = \underbrace{(s-1)}_{q_{21}^1(s)} + \frac{1}{s+1} \leftarrow r_{21}^1(s)$$

The order of $r_{i1}'(s)$ is always smaller than that of $p_{i1}'(s)$

- (iii) Subtract the first row times the corresponding quotient $q_{i1}'(s)$ from all other rows. In the first column we have thus now

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_{11}'(s) \\ r_{21}'(s) \\ \vdots \\ r_{p1}'(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi \\ -(s-1) & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot P^1(s) = \begin{bmatrix} (s+1) & 1 \\ 1 & (-s+3) \end{bmatrix}$$

- (iv) Repeat steps (i)...(iii) until all remainders have become zero.

$$P^3(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \phi & 1 \\ 1 & \phi \end{bmatrix} \cdot P^2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (-s+3) \\ (s+1) & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^4(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi \\ -(s+1) & 1 \end{bmatrix} P^3(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (-s+3) \\ \phi & (s^2-2s-2) \end{bmatrix}$$

- (v) Repeat steps (i)...(iv) with all the elements below p_{22} until they all are zero
- (vi) Compare p_{12} with p_{22} . If the order of $p_{12} \geq$ order of p_{22} , apply steps (ii) and (iii) again to make the order of $p_{12} <$ than the order of p_{22} . Since we want the highest orders always on the diagonal.
- (vii) Repeat for columns 3...n

$\Rightarrow$ Upper triangular form with the highest order polynomials on the diagonal.

$$U_L(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi \\ -(s+1) & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \phi & 1 \\ 1 & \phi \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi \\ -(s+1) & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \phi & 1 \\ 1 & \phi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (-s+1) \\ (-s-1) & s^2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is } \underline{\underline{\text{unimodular}}}$$

$$P^4(s) \equiv U_L(s) \cdot P(s) ; P^4(s) \text{ is rowequivalent to } P(s).$$

Example:

$$P(s) = \begin{bmatrix} (s+1) & (s^2+2s+1) & 2s^3 \\ (2s-2) & (-2s^2+1) & 2s^2 \\ -s^3 & (5s-2) & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(i) Nothing to do.

$$(ii) \quad \frac{2s-2}{s+1} = 2 + \frac{-4}{s+1}$$

$$\frac{-s^3}{s+1} = (-s^2+s-1) + \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$P^1(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi \\ -2 & 1 & \phi \\ -(-s^2+s-1) & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot P(s)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (s+1) & (s^2+2s+1) & 2s^3 \\ -4 & (-4s^2-4s-1) & (-4s^3+2s^2) \\ 1 & (s^4+s^3+6s-1) & (2s^5-2s^4+2s^3+s) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(i) \quad P^2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \phi & \phi & 1 \\ \phi & 1 & \phi \\ 1 & \phi & \phi \end{bmatrix} \cdot P^1(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (s^4+s^3+6s-1) & (2s^5-2s^4+2s^3+s) \\ -4 & (-4s^2-4s-1) & (-4s^3+2s^2) \\ (s+1) & (s^2+2s+1) & 2s^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{-4}{1} = -4 \quad ; \quad \frac{(s+1)}{1} = (s+1)$$

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$$P^3(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi \\ 4 & 1 & \phi \\ -(s+1) & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot P^2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (s^4+s^3+6s-1) & (2s^5-2s^4+2s^3+s) \\ \phi & (4s^4+4s^3-4s^2+2\phi s-5) & (8s^5-8s^4+4s^3+2s^2) \\ \phi & (-s^5-2s^4-s^3-5s^2-3s+2) & (-2s^6-2s^3-s^2-s) \end{bmatrix}$$

(i) Get lowest degree of column 2 into (2,2)
 $\Rightarrow$ already the case.

$$(ii) \frac{-s^5-2s^4-s^3-5s^2-3s+2}{4s^4+4s^3-4s^2+2\phi s-5} = \left(-\frac{1}{4}s - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{-s^3-s^2+\frac{3}{4}s}{4s^4+4s^3-4s^2+2\phi s-5}$$

$$P^4(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi \\ \phi & \left(\frac{1}{4}s + \frac{1}{4}\right) & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot P^3(s)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (s^4+s^3+6s-1) & (2s^5-2s^4+2s^3+s) \\ \phi & (4s^4+4s^3-4s^2+2\phi s-5) & (8s^5-8s^4+4s^3+2s^2+4s) \\ \phi & \left(-s^3-s^2+\frac{3}{4}s+\frac{3}{4}\right) & \left(-s^4-\frac{1}{2}s^3+\frac{1}{2}s^2\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(i) P^5(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & 1 \\ \phi & 1 & \phi \end{bmatrix} \cdot P^4(s)$$

etc.

$\Rightarrow$ this goes on for some time.
 Each time the degree of P_{22} and P_{23} get reduced by one. We end up with:

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$$P^x(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (s^4 + s^3 + 6s - 1) & (2s^3 - 2s^4 + 2s^3 + s) \\ \phi & (as+b) & * \\ \phi & \phi & * \end{bmatrix}$$

(vi)

$$P^{x+1}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \phi & 1 & \phi \\ 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix} P^x(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \phi & (as+b) & * \\ 1 & (s^4 + s^3 + 6s - 1) & * \\ \phi & \phi & * \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{s^4 + s^3 + 6s - 1}{as+b} = (cs^3 + ds^2 + es + f) + \frac{g}{as+b}$$

$$P^{x+2}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -(cs^3 + ds^2 + es + f) & \phi \\ \phi & 1 & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix} P^{x+1}(s)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \phi & (as+b) & * \\ 1 & g & * \\ \phi & \phi & * \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^{x+3}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \phi & 1 & \phi \\ 1 & \phi & \phi \\ \phi & \phi & 1 \end{bmatrix} P^{x+2}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & g & * \\ \phi & (as+b) & * \\ \phi & \phi & * \end{bmatrix}$$

etc.

With this algorithm, we can eventually reduce any polynomial matrix to the

product of a unimodular matrix and an upper-triangular matrix where the highest order polynomial in each column is on the diagonal.

$$P(s) = \boxed{} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \diagup \\ \hline \end{array} \boxed{}$$

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is always possible.

Theorem:

Any polynomial matrix is column-equivalent to a lower-triangular matrix.

Algorithm:

(1) Use the above algorithm with column operations in place of row operations. or:

(2) Use the duality principle.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P(s) & \xrightarrow{\text{duality}} & P^*(s) \\ \vdots & & \downarrow \\ T_L(s) \cdot U_R(s) & \xleftarrow{\text{duality}} & U_L(s) \cdot T_u(s) \end{array}$$