

Let us study the example of a flexible one-link robot following M. Benosman, G. Le Vey, *Accurate trajectory tracking of flexible arm end-point*, 6th IFAC Symposium on Robot Control, Vienna (Austria), 2000, pp. 569-572.

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> with(Ore_algebra):
> with(OreModules):
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Define the Weyl algebra  $\text{Alg} = A_1$ , where  $Dt$  acts as differential operator w.r.t. the variable  $t$ :

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> Alg := DefineOreAlgebra(diff=[D,t], polynom=[t],
> comm=[M11,M12,M13,M21,M22,M31,M33,K1,K2,L,alpha,beta]):
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The system matrix is defined by:

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> R := evalm([[M11*D^2,M12*D^2,M13*D^2,-1],[M21*D^2,M22*D^2+K1,0,0],
> [M31*D^2,0,M33*D^2+K2,0]]);
R := \begin{bmatrix} M11 D^2 & M12 D^2 & M13 D^2 & -1 \\ M21 D^2 & M22 D^2 + K1 & 0 & 0 \\ M31 D^2 & 0 & M33 D^2 + K2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
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The corresponding system of ordinary differential equations is then given by

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> ApplyMatrix(R, [theta(t),q1(t),q2(t),u(t)], Alg)=evalm([[0]$3]);
\begin{bmatrix} M11 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta(t)) + M12 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} q1(t)) + M13 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} q2(t)) - u(t) \\ M21 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta(t)) + K1 q1(t) + M22 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} q1(t)) \\ M31 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta(t)) + K2 q2(t) + M33 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} q2(t)) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
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where  $M$  denotes the inertia matrix of the arm,  $K1$  and  $K2$  are the equivalent spring constants,  $\theta$  is the joint variable,  $q = (q1, q2)^T$  is the vector of modal coordinates and  $u$  is the torque applied to the beam hub. Let us check whether or not the system is controllable, parametrizable and flat.

We first introduce the formal adjoint  $R_{\text{adj}}$  of  $R$ .

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> R_adj := Involution(R, Alg);
R_{\text{adj}} := \begin{bmatrix} M11 D^2 & M21 D^2 & M31 D^2 \\ M12 D^2 & M22 D^2 + K1 & 0 \\ M13 D^2 & 0 & M33 D^2 + K2 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
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The system is controllable if and only if the  $\text{Alg}$ -module  $M$  associated with  $R$  is torsion-free, i.e., if and only if the first extension module  $\text{ext}^1$  with values in  $\text{Alg}$  of the  $\text{Alg}$ -module associated with  $R_{\text{adj}}$  is the zero module. Let us check this last point.

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> st := time(): Ext := Exti(R_adj, Alg, 1); time()-st;
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$$\begin{aligned}
Ext := & \left[ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \right. \\
& [-M33 D^2 M21 M12 - D^2 M22 M31 M13 + M33 D^2 M22 M11, -M33 M12 K1, \\
& -M13 M22 K2, -M33 M22] \\
& [0, M12 M31 K1, -K2 M21 M12 + K2 M22 M11 - M33 D^2 M21 M12 \\
& + M33 D^2 M22 M11 - D^2 M22 M31 M13, M22 M31] \\
& [0, -D^2 M22 M31 M13 + M33 D^2 M22 M11 - K1 M31 M13 - M33 D^2 M21 M12 \\
& + M33 K1 M11, M13 M21 K2, M33 M21], \\
& [M33 K1 D^2 + M33 D^4 M22 + K2 D^2 M22 + K1 K2] \\
& [-M33 D^4 M21 - K2 D^2 M21] \\
& [-K1 M31 D^2 - D^4 M22 M31] \\
& [M33 D^6 M22 M11 + M33 D^4 K1 M11 - M33 D^6 M21 M12 + K2 K1 M11 D^2 \\
& - D^4 K1 M31 M13 - D^6 M22 M31 M13 + K2 D^4 M22 M11 - K2 D^4 M21 M12] \\
& \left. \begin{array}{c} 0.459 \\ \hline \end{array} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, as the first matrix  $Ext[1]$  is the identity, we obtain that the system is generically controllable, and thus, generically parametrizable. A parametrization is then given by  $Ext[3]$  and we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
> \text{evalm}([[\theta(t)], [q1(t)], [q2(t)], [u(t)]])) = & \text{ApplyMatrix}(Ext[3], [\xi(t)], \text{Alg}); \\
\begin{bmatrix} \theta(t) \\ q1(t) \\ q2(t) \\ u(t) \end{bmatrix} = & \\
& [K1 K2 \xi(t) + (M33 K1 + M22 K2) (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \xi(t)) + M33 M22 (\frac{d^4}{dt^4} \xi(t))] \\
& [-K2 M21 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \xi(t)) - M33 M21 (\frac{d^4}{dt^4} \xi(t))] \\
& [-K1 M31 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \xi(t)) - M22 M31 (\frac{d^4}{dt^4} \xi(t))] \\
& \begin{bmatrix} K2 K1 M11 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \xi(t)) \\
+ (-K1 M31 M13 + M33 K1 M11 + K2 M22 M11 - K2 M21 M12) (\frac{d^4}{dt^4} \xi(t)) \\
+ (-M33 M21 M12 + M33 M22 M11 - M22 M31 M13) (\frac{d^6}{dt^6} \xi(t)) \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

The fact that the  $\text{Alg}$ -module  $M$  associated with  $R$  is generically torsion-free implies that  $M$  is also projective as  $\text{Alg}$  is a hereditary ring. Projectivity of  $M$  can be verified by checking whether or not a right-inverse of  $R$  exists.

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> T := simplify(RightInverse(R, Alg));
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T := 

$$\left[ 0, -\frac{M22^2(M33 D^2 + K2)}{M21 K1 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)}, \frac{M33^2 (M22 D^2 + K1)}{M31 K2 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)} \right]$$


$$\left[ 0, \frac{M22 K2 - M33 K1 + M33 D^2 M22}{K1 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)}, -\frac{M33^2 D^2 M21}{M31 K2 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)} \right]$$


$$\left[ 0, \frac{M22^2 D^2 M31}{M21 K1 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)}, \frac{-M33 D^2 M22 - M33 K1 + M22 K2}{K2 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)} \right]$$


$$[-1, -D^2(-K2 M22 M21 M12 + K2 M22^2 M11 - M13 M22^2 M31 D^2$$


$$- M22 D^2 M21 M12 M33 + M11 M22^2 D^2 M33 + M21 K1 M12 M33)/(M21 K1$$


$$(-M33 K1 + M22 K2)), D^2(-M33^2 D^2 M21 M12 + M33^2 D^2 M22 M11$$


$$- M33 M22 M31 D^2 M13 + M33^2 K1 M11 - M33 K1 M31 M13$$


$$+ M22 M31 K2 M13)/(M31 K2 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2))]$$

> Mult(R, T, Alg);

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$


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Moreover, the fact that the system is time-invariant implies that the *Alg*-module  $M$  associated with  $R$  is generically free. Let us compute a basis of  $M$ .

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> S := simplify(LeftInverse(Ext[3], Alg));
S :=  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{K1 K2} & \frac{M22^2}{M21 K1 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)} & \frac{M33^2}{M31 K2 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

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Therefore, if  $M33 K1 \neq M22 K2$ , then the *Alg*-module  $M$  is free and, equivalently, the corresponding system is flat. Then, a basis of the *Alg*-module  $M$  (a *flat output* of the system) is defined by

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> xi(t)=ApplyMatrix(S, [theta(t), q1(t), q2(t), u(t)], Alg)[1,1];

$$\xi(t) = \frac{\theta(t)}{K1 K2} + \frac{M22^2 q1(t)}{M21 K1 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)} - \frac{M33^2 q2(t)}{M31 K2 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)}$$


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where  $\xi$  satisfies  $(\theta, q1, q2, u)^T = Ext[3] \xi$ . Let us compute the Brunovský canonical form in the case where  $M33 K1 \neq M22 K2$ .

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> B := Brunovsky(R, Alg);
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$$\begin{aligned}
B := & \\
& \left[ \frac{1}{K_1 K_2}, \frac{M_{22}^2}{M_{21} K_1 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, -\frac{M_{33}^2}{M_{31} K_2 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, 0 \right] \\
& \left[ \frac{D}{K_1 K_2}, \frac{D M_{22}^2}{M_{21} K_1 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, -\frac{D M_{33}^2}{M_{31} K_2 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, 0 \right] \\
& \left[ 0, -\frac{M_{22}}{M_{21} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, \frac{M_{33}}{M_{31} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, 0 \right] \\
& \left[ 0, -\frac{D M_{22}}{M_{21} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, \frac{M_{33} D}{M_{31} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, 0 \right] \\
& \left[ 0, \frac{K_1}{M_{21} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, -\frac{K_2}{M_{31} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, 0 \right] \\
& \left[ 0, \frac{K_1 D}{M_{21} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, -\frac{K_2 D}{M_{31} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, 0 \right] \\
& \left[ 0, \frac{K_1 (-M_{33} K_1 M_{11} + K_2 M_{21} M_{12} + K_1 M_{31} M_{13})}{M_{21} \%1 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, \right. \\
& \quad \left. \frac{K_2 (-K_2 M_{21} M_{12} + K_2 M_{22} M_{11} - K_1 M_{31} M_{13})}{M_{31} \%1 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)}, \frac{1}{\%1} \right] \\
\%1 := & M_{11} M_{22} M_{33} - M_{13} M_{22} M_{31} - M_{12} M_{21} M_{33}
\end{aligned}$$

Equivalently, we obtain the following transformation between the Brunovský variables  $x[i]$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 6$ ,  $v$  and the system variables  $\theta$ ,  $q_1$ ,  $q_2$  and  $u$ .

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> evalm([seq([x[i](t)], i=1..6), [v(t)]])=ApplyMatrix(B,
> [theta(t), q1(t), q2(t), u(t)], Alg);

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$$\begin{aligned}
& \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ x_3(t) \\ x_4(t) \\ x_5(t) \\ x_6(t) \\ v(t) \end{bmatrix} = \\
& \left[ \frac{\theta(t)}{K_1 K_2} + \frac{M_{22}^2 q_1(t)}{M_{21} K_1 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} - \frac{M_{33}^2 q_2(t)}{M_{31} K_2 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} \right] \\
& \left[ \frac{\frac{d}{dt} \theta(t)}{K_1 K_2} + \frac{M_{22}^2 (\frac{d}{dt} q_1(t))}{M_{21} K_1 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} - \frac{M_{33}^2 (\frac{d}{dt} q_2(t))}{M_{31} K_2 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} \right] \\
& \left[ -\frac{M_{22} q_1(t)}{M_{21} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} + \frac{M_{33} q_2(t)}{M_{31} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} \right] \\
& \left[ -\frac{M_{22} (\frac{d}{dt} q_1(t))}{M_{21} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} + \frac{M_{33} (\frac{d}{dt} q_2(t))}{M_{31} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} \right] \\
& \left[ \frac{K_1 q_1(t)}{M_{21} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} - \frac{K_2 q_2(t)}{M_{31} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} \right] \\
& \left[ \frac{K_1 (\frac{d}{dt} q_1(t))}{M_{21} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} - \frac{K_2 (\frac{d}{dt} q_2(t))}{M_{31} (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} \right] \\
& \left[ \frac{K_1 (-M_{33} K_1 M_{11} + K_2 M_{21} M_{12} + K_1 M_{31} M_{13}) q_1(t)}{M_{21} \%_1 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{K_2 (-K_2 M_{21} M_{12} + K_2 M_{22} M_{11} - K_1 M_{31} M_{13}) q_2(t)}{M_{31} \%_1 (-M_{33} K_1 + M_{22} K_2)} + \frac{u(t)}{\%_1} \right] \\
& \%_1 := M_{11} M_{22} M_{33} - M_{13} M_{22} M_{31} - M_{12} M_{21} M_{33}
\end{aligned}$$

We easily check that, in the Brunovský coordinates, the system becomes the following Brunovský canonical system.

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> E := Elimination(linalg[stackmatrix](B, R), [theta,q1,q2,u],
> [seq(x[i],i=1..6),v,0,0,0], Alg):
> ApplyMatrix(E[1], [theta(t),q1(t),q2(t),u(t)], Alg)=ApplyMatrix(E[2],
> [seq(x[i](t),i=1..6), v(t)], Alg);

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ u(t) \\ q2(t) \\ q1(t) \\ \theta(t) \end{bmatrix} = 
\begin{bmatrix}
[-(\frac{d}{dt} x_6(t)) + v(t)] \\
[-(\frac{d}{dt} x_5(t)) + x_6(t)] \\
[-(\frac{d}{dt} x_4(t)) + x_5(t)] \\
[-(\frac{d}{dt} x_3(t)) + x_4(t)] \\
[-(\frac{d}{dt} x_2(t)) + x_3(t)] \\
[-(\frac{d}{dt} x_1(t)) + x_2(t)] \\
[K2 K1 M11 x_3(t) \\
+ (M33 K1 M11 - K2 M21 M12 - K1 M31 M13 + K2 M22 M11) x_5(t) \\
+ (M11 M22 M33 - M13 M22 M31 - M12 M21 M33) v(t)] \\
[-K1 M31 x_3(t) - M22 M31 x_5(t)] \\
[-M21 K2 x_3(t) - M33 M21 x_5(t)] \\
[K1 K2 x_1(t) + (M33 K1 + M22 K2) x_3(t) + M33 M22 x_5(t)]
\end{bmatrix}$$

The output is chosen to be the linear position of the end-effector.

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> Ry := evalm([[L,alpha,beta,0]]);
Ry := [ L  alpha  beta  0 ]
> y(t)=ApplyMatrix(Ry, [theta(t),q1(t),q2(t),u(t)], Alg)[1,1];
y(t) = L theta(t) + alpha q1(t) + beta q2(t)

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Let us compute the input-output behaviour of the system.

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> I0 := Elimination(linalg[stackmatrix](R, Ry), [theta,q1,q2,u],
> [seq(0,i=1..3),y], Alg, [u]):
> ApplyMatrix(linalg[submatrix](I0[2], 1..1, 1..2), [y(t),u(t)],
> Alg)[1,1]=0;
-K2 K1 M11 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} y(t))
+ (-K2 M22 M11 + K2 M21 M12 - M33 K1 M11 + K1 M31 M13) (\frac{d^4}{dt^4} y(t))
+ (-M11 M22 M33 + M13 M22 M31 + M12 M21 M33) (\frac{d^6}{dt^6} y(t)) + K2 K1 L u(t)
+ (L M33 K1 + L K2 M22 - K2 M21 alpha - M31 K1 beta) (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} u(t))
+ (-M31 beta M22 + L M33 M22 - M21 M33 alpha) (\frac{d^4}{dt^4} u(t)) = 0

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Let us quickly study the particular case where  $M33 K1 = M22 K2$ . The system matrix becomes:

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> R_bis := subs(K2=(M33*K1)/M22, evalm(R));

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$$R_{-bis} := \begin{bmatrix} M11 D^2 & M12 D^2 & M13 D^2 & -1 \\ M21 D^2 & M22 D^2 + K1 & 0 & 0 \\ M31 D^2 & 0 & M33 D^2 + \frac{M33 K1}{M22} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The formal adjoint  $R_{-bisadj}$  of  $R_{-bis}$  is defined by:

$$> R_{-bisadj} := \text{Involution}(R_{-bis}, \text{Alg});$$

$$R_{-bisadj} := \begin{bmatrix} M11 D^2 & M21 D^2 & M31 D^2 & \\ M12 D^2 & M22 D^2 + K1 & 0 & \\ M13 D^2 & 0 & M33 D^2 + \frac{M33 K1}{M22} & \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & \end{bmatrix}$$

The previous study shows that the  $\text{Alg}$ -module  $M_{-bis}$  associated with  $R_{-bis}$  contains some torsion elements, and thus, the corresponding system has some autonomous elements. Let us check these results.

$$> \text{TorsionElements}(R_{-bis}, [\theta_1(t), q1(t), q2(t), u(t)], \text{Alg});$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} K1 \theta_1(t) + M22 \left( \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_1(t) \right) = 0 \\ K1 \theta_2(t) + M22 \left( \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_2(t) \right) = 0 \\ K1 \theta_3(t) + M22 \left( \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_3(t) \right) = 0 \end{array} \right],$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \theta_1(t) = \\ (M11 M22^2 M33 M31 - M13 M22^2 M31^2 - M31 M22 M12 M21 M33) \left( \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta(t) \right) \\ + (-M13 M22 M31 M33 K1 - M12 M21 M33^2 K1) q2(t) - M22^2 M33 M31 u(t) \end{array} \right]$$

$$\theta_2(t) = M22 M31 q1(t) - M33 M21 q2(t)$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \theta_3(t) = M33 K1 M11 q2(t) \\ \\ + (M11 M22 M33 - M13 M22 M31 - M12 M21 M33) \left( \frac{d^2}{dt^2} q2(t) \right) + M22 M31 u(t) \end{array} \right]$$

$$> \text{Auto} := \text{AutonomousElements}(R_{-bis}, [\theta_1(t), q1(t), q2(t), u(t)], \text{Alg});$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Auto := & \left[ \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1(t) + M33 M22 \theta_3(t) = 0 \\ M12 K1 \theta_2(t) + M22 \theta_3(t) = 0 \\ K1 \theta_3(t) + M22 (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_3(t)) = 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 = -M33 M22 \%1 \\ \theta_2 = -\frac{M22 \%1}{M12 K1} \\ \theta_3 = \%1 \end{bmatrix}, \right. \\
& \left[ \begin{aligned} \theta_1 = & (M11 M22^2 M33 M31 - M13 M22^2 M31^2 - M31 M22 M12 M21 M33) (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta(t)) \\ & + (-M13 M22 M31 M33 K1 - M12 M21 M33^2 K1) q2(t) - M22^2 M33 M31 u(t) \end{aligned} \right] \\
& \theta_2 = M22 M31 q1(t) - M33 M21 q2(t) \\
& \left[ \begin{aligned} \theta_3 = & M33 K1 M11 q2(t) \\ & + (M11 M22 M33 - M13 M22 M31 - M12 M21 M33) (\frac{d^2}{dt^2} q2(t)) + M22 M31 u(t) \end{aligned} \right] \\
& \%1 := _C1 \sin(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}}) + _C2 \cos(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}})
\end{aligned}$$

The second matrix  $Auto[2]$  gives the autonomous elements. Moreover, the third matrix  $Auto[3]$  gives the expression of the autonomous elements in terms of the system variables  $\theta$ ,  $q1$ ,  $q2$  and  $u$  whereas the first one  $Auto[1]$  corresponds to the system that they satisfy.

Let us recall that the autonomous elements are in one-to-one correspondence with the first integrals of the system. Let us compute the generic first integral of the system.

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> FirstIntegral(R_bis, [theta(t),q1(t),q2(t),u(t)], Alg);
-<math> -(M22^{(3/2)} M31 (\frac{d}{dt} q1(t)) _C1 \sin(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}}) + M22^{(3/2)} M31 (\frac{d}{dt} q1(t)) _C2 \cos(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}})
-<math> - M22 q1(t) M31 _C1 \cos(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}}) \sqrt{K1} + M22 q1(t) M31 _C2 \sin(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}}) \sqrt{K1}
-<math> - M33 (\frac{d}{dt} q2(t)) _C1 \sin(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}}) M21 \sqrt{M22}
-<math> - M33 (\frac{d}{dt} q2(t)) _C2 \cos(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}}) M21 \sqrt{M22}
+ M33 q2(t) _C1 \cos(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}}) \sqrt{K1} M21 - M33 q2(t) _C2 \sin(\frac{\sqrt{K1} t}{\sqrt{M22}}) \sqrt{K1} M21)
/(M21 \sqrt{M22})

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We now consider the same system but with a constant time-delay in the input  $u$  due, for instance, to a teleoperation process. We first define the Ore algebra of differential time-delay operators.

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> Alg2 := DefineOreAlgebra(diff=[D,t], dual_shift=[delta,s], polynom=[t,s],
> comm=[M11,M12,M13,M21,M22,M31,M33,K1,K2], shift_action=[delta,t,h]):
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The matrix which defines the system is then given by:

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> R2 := evalm([[M11*D^2,M12*D^2,M13*D^2,-delta],[M21*D^2,M22*D^2+K1,0,0],
> [M31*D^2,0,M33*D^2+K2,0]]);
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$$R2 := \begin{bmatrix} M11 D^2 & M12 D^2 & M13 D^2 & -\delta \\ M21 D^2 & M22 D^2 + K1 & 0 & 0 \\ M31 D^2 & 0 & M33 D^2 + K2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We define the formal adjoint  $R2\_adj$  of  $R2$  using an involution of  $Alg2$ .

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> R2_adj := Involution(R2, Alg2);
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Let us check whether or not the system is controllable, parametrizable and flat. In order to do that, let us check whether or not the  $Alg2$ -module associated with  $R2$  is torsion-free.

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> Ext1 := Exti(R2_adj, Alg2, 1);
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$$\begin{aligned} Ext1 := & \left[ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \right. \\ & [-M33 D^2 M21 M12 - D^2 M22 M31 M13 + M33 D^2 M22 M11, -M33 M12 K1, \\ & -M13 M22 K2, -M33 \delta M22] \\ & [0, M12 M31 K1, -K2 M21 M12 + K2 M22 M11 - M33 D^2 M21 M12 \\ & + M33 D^2 M22 M11 - D^2 M22 M31 M13, M22 M31 \delta] \\ & [0, -D^2 M22 M31 M13 + M33 D^2 M22 M11 - K1 M31 M13 - M33 D^2 M21 M12 \\ & + M33 K1 M11, M13 M21 K2, M33 M21 \delta], \\ & [M33 D^4 \delta M22 + M33 K1 \delta D^2 + K1 \delta K2 + K2 \delta M22 D^2] \\ & [-M33 M21 \delta D^4 - M21 D^2 \delta K2] \\ & [-D^4 M22 M31 \delta - \delta M31 K1 D^2] \\ & [M33 D^6 M22 M11 + M33 D^4 K1 M11 - M33 D^6 M21 M12 + K2 K1 M11 D^2 \\ & - D^4 K1 M31 M13 - D^6 M22 M31 M13 + K2 D^4 M22 M11 - K2 D^4 M21 M12] \left. \right]$$

As the first matrix  $Ext1[1]$  is the identity, we deduce that the system is generically controllable and parametrizable. A parametrization is then defined by:

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> evalm([[theta(t)], [q1(t)], [q2(t)], [u(t)]])=ApplyMatrix(Ext1[3], [xi(t)], Alg2);
```

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \theta(t) \\ q1(t) \\ q2(t) \\ u(t) \end{bmatrix} = & \\ & [M33 M22 (D^{(4)})(\xi)(t-h) + M33 K1 \%1 + K1 K2 \xi(t-h) + M22 K2 \%1] \\ & [-M33 M21 (D^{(4)})(\xi)(t-h) - M21 K2 \%1] \\ & [-M22 M31 (D^{(4)})(\xi)(t-h) - K1 M31 \%1] \\ & [M11 M22 M33 (D^{(6)})(\xi)(t) + M33 K1 M11 (D^{(4)})(\xi)(t) \\ & - M12 M21 M33 (D^{(6)})(\xi)(t) + K2 K1 M11 (D^{(2)})(\xi)(t) \\ & - K1 M31 M13 (D^{(4)})(\xi)(t) - M13 M22 M31 (D^{(6)})(\xi)(t) \\ & + K2 M22 M11 (D^{(4)})(\xi)(t) - K2 M21 M12 (D^{(4)})(\xi)(t)] \\ \%1 := & (D^{(2)})(\xi)(t-h) \end{aligned}$$

Let us check whether or not the system is flat. In order to do that, we need to check whether or not the  $\text{Alg2}$ -module associated with  $R2$  is projective.

```
> Ext2 := Ext1(R2_adj, Alg2, 2);
Ext2 := [
[δ]
[M33 D6 M22 M11 + M33 D4 K1 M11 - M33 D6 M21 M12 + K2 K1 M11 D2
- D4 K1 M31 M13 - D6 M22 M31 M13 + K2 D4 M22 M11 - K2 D4 M21 M12],
[ 1 ], SURJ(1)]
```

As the first matrix  $Ext2[1]$  is different from the identity matrix, we obtain that the system is not flat. As the torsion-free degree of the  $\text{Alg2}$ -module associated with  $R2$  is 1, we know that there is a  $\pi$ -polynomial in  $\delta$ . Let us compute it.

```
> PiPolynomial(R2, Alg2, [delta]);
[δ]
```

Therefore, if we allow the time-advance operator  $\delta^{-1}$  in the system, then the system becomes flat. In particular, a flat output of the system is defined by computing a left-inverse of the parametrization  $Ext1[3]$  of the system over  $\text{Alg2}[\delta^{-1}]$ . Let us compute such a left-inverse.

```
> S2 := LocalLeftInverse(Ext1[3], [delta], Alg2);
S2 := [ 1/M222   M332   0
       δ K1 K2   δ M21 K1 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)   δ M31 K2 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2) ]
```

Then, the flat output of the system is defined by:

```
> psi(t)=ApplyMatrix(S2, [theta(t),q1(t),q2(t),u(t)], Alg2)[1,1];
ψ(t) = θ(t + h)/K1 K2 + M222 q1(t + h)/M21 K1 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2) - M332 q2(t + h)/M31 K2 (-M33 K1 + M22 K2)
```

Let us point out that this flat output corresponds exactly to the advanced flat output of the first model, i.e., without the time-delay in the input of the system.