

We study a satellite in a circular equatorial orbit. See T. Kailath, *Linear Systems*, Prentice-Hall, 1980, p. 60 and p. 145, and H. Mounier, *Propriétés structurelles des systèmes linéaires à retards: aspects théoriques et pratiques*, PhD Thesis, University of Orsay, France, 1995, p. 6, p. 11 and p. 17.

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> with(Ore_algebra):
> with(OreModules):
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We define the Weyl algebra $Alg = A_1$, where Dt acts as differentiation w.r.t. time t . Note that we have to declare the parameters ω (angular velocity), m (mass of the satellite), r (radius component in the polar coordinates), a and b (parameters specifying the thrust) of the system in the definition of the Ore algebra:

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> Alg := DefineOreAlgebra(diff=[Dt,t], polynom=[t], comm=[omega,m,r,a,b]):
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The linearized ordinary differential equations for the satellite in a circular orbit are given by the following matrix R . These equations describe the motion of the satellite in the equatorial plane, where the fifth and the sixth column of R incorporate the controls $u1$, $u2$ which represent radial thrust resp. tangential thrust caused by rocket engines (see Kailath, 1980, p. 60 and p. 145).

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> Rab := evalm([[Dt,-1,0,0,0,0], [-3*omega^2,Dt,0,-2*omega*r,-a/m,0],
> [0,0,Dt,-1,0,0], [0,2*omega/r,0,Dt,0,-b/(m*r)]]);
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$$Rab := \begin{bmatrix} Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3\omega^2 & Dt & 0 & -2\omega r & -\frac{a}{m} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} & 0 & Dt & 0 & -\frac{b}{mr} \end{bmatrix}$$

We define the formal adjoint R_adj of R :

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> Rab_adj := Involution(Rab, Alg);
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$$Rab_adj := \begin{bmatrix} -Dt & -3\omega^2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -Dt & 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} \\ 0 & 0 & -Dt & 0 \\ 0 & -2\omega r & -1 & -Dt \\ 0 & -\frac{a}{m} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{b}{mr} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us compute the first extension module ext^1 with values in Alg of the Alg -module N associated with R_adj :

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> Extab := Exti(Rab_adj, Alg, 1);
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$$Extab := \left[\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3m\omega^2 & Dtm & 0 & -2\omega rm & -a & 0 \\ Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2m\omega & 0 & mrDt & 0 & -b \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{bmatrix} ba & 0 \\ baDt & 0 \\ 0 & ba \\ 0 & baDt \\ -3bm\omega^2 + Dt^2bm & -2Dtb\omega rm \\ 2aDtm\omega & aDt^2mr \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

Since $Ext1[1]$ is the identity matrix, we conclude that ext^1 of N is the zero module. Hence, the module M which is associated with the system R is torsion-free. It follows that the system is controllable and, equivalently, parametrizable. A parametrization of R is given in $Ext1[3]$. Of course, a necessary condition for $Ext1[3]$ being a parametrization is that $(R \circ Ext1[3]) = 0$:

> `Mult(Rab, Extab[3], Alg);`

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

Equivalently, a parametrization of the system can be computed by using the following command:

> `Parametrization(Rab, Alg);`

$$\begin{bmatrix} ba\xi_1(t) \\ ba\left(\frac{d}{dt}\xi_1(t)\right) \\ ba\xi_2(t) \\ ba\left(\frac{d}{dt}\xi_2(t)\right) \\ -bm\left(3\omega^2\xi_1(t) - \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\xi_1(t)\right) + 2\omega r\left(\frac{d}{dt}\xi_2(t)\right)\right) \\ am\left(2\omega\left(\frac{d}{dt}\xi_1(t)\right) + r\left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\xi_2(t)\right)\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

The coefficients in the equations of the system lie in the polynomial ring with one variable Dt and with coefficients that are rational functions in ω, m, r, a, b with real coefficients. Since this polynomial ring is a principal ideal domain (namely, every ideal is generated by a single element), we know that torsion-freeness of the module M which is associated with the system R actually implies *freeness*, i.e., system R is *flat*. Hence, we can compute a left-inverse of the parametrization and get a *flat output* of the system:

> `Sab := LeftInverse(Extab[3], Alg);`

$$Sab := \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{ba} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{ba} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, $(\xi_1 : \xi_2)^T = Sab (x_1 : x_2 : x_3 : x_4 : u_1 : u_2)^T$ is a flat output of the system which satisfies $(x_1 : x_2 : x_3 : x_4 : u_1 : u_2)^T = Extab[3] (\xi_1 : \xi_2)^T$. Let us notice that this flat output exists only if $ab \neq 0$.

Let us remember that the full row-rank matrix R admits a right-inverse if and only if the module which is associated with it is projective. By the theorem of Quillen-Suslin, for modules over commutative polynomial rings, projectiveness is the same as freeness. So, M is projective which we could have discovered by computing a right-inverse of R :

> `RightInverse(Rab, Alg);`

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -\frac{Dtm}{a} & -\frac{m}{a} & \frac{2\omega rm}{a} & 0 \\ -\frac{2\omega m}{b} & 0 & -\frac{Dtmr}{b} & -\frac{mr}{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us compute a Brunovský canonical form for the system defined by R in the case where $ab \neq 0$.

> B := Brunovsky(Rab, Alg);

$$B := \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{ba} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{ba} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{3\omega^2}{ba} & 0 & 0 & \frac{2\omega r}{ba} & \frac{1}{bm} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{ba} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{ba} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{2\omega}{bar} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{mar} \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, using the following change of variables

> evalm([[z[1](t)], [z[2](t)], [v[1](t)], [z[3](t)], [z[4](t)], [v[2](t)]])=
> ApplyMatrix(B, [seq(x[i](t), i=1..4), u1(t), u2(t)], Alg);

$$\begin{bmatrix} z_1(t) \\ z_2(t) \\ v_1(t) \\ z_3(t) \\ z_4(t) \\ v_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x_1(t)}{ba} \\ \frac{x_2(t)}{ba} \\ \frac{3\omega^2 x_1(t)}{ba} + \frac{2\omega r x_4(t)}{ba} + \frac{u1(t)}{bm} \\ \frac{x_3(t)}{ba} \\ \frac{x_4(t)}{ba} \\ -\frac{2\omega x_2(t)}{bar} + \frac{u2(t)}{mar} \end{bmatrix}$$

we obtain the following Brunovský canonical form:

> E := Elimination(linalg[stackmatrix](B, Rab),
> [seq(x[i], i=1..4), u1, u2], [z[1], z[2], v[1], z[3], z[4], v[2], 0, 0, 0, 0], Alg):
> ApplyMatrix(E[1], [seq(x[i](t), i=1..4), u1(t), u2(t)], Alg)=
> ApplyMatrix(E[2], [[z[1](t)], [z[2](t)], [v[1](t)], [z[3](t)], [z[4](t)], [v[2](t)]]],
> Alg);

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ u2(t) \\ u1(t) \\ x_4(t) \\ x_3(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ x_1(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\left(\frac{d}{dt} z_4(t)\right) + v_2(t) \\ -\left(\frac{d}{dt} z_3(t)\right) + z_4(t) \\ -\left(\frac{d}{dt} z_2(t)\right) + v_1(t) \\ -\left(\frac{d}{dt} z_1(t)\right) + z_2(t) \\ 2a\omega m z_2(t) + amr v_2(t) \\ -3b\omega^2 m z_1(t) + bm v_1(t) - 2b\omega r m z_4(t) \\ ba z_4(t) \\ ba z_3(t) \\ ba z_2(t) \\ ba z_1(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us consider the case where $a = 0$ and $b = 1$, i.e., the case where we only have a tangential thrust. Then, the system is defined by the following matrix:

> R01 := linalg[submatrix](subs(a=0, b=1, evalm(Rab)), 1..4, [1, 2, 3, 4, 6]);

$$R01 := \begin{bmatrix} Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3\omega^2 & Dt & 0 & -2\omega r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} & 0 & Dt & -\frac{1}{mr} \end{bmatrix}$$

The formal adjoint $R01_adj$ of $R01$ is defined by:

> $R01_adj := \text{Involution}(R01, \text{Alg});$

$$R01_adj := \begin{bmatrix} -Dt & -3\omega^2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -Dt & 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} \\ 0 & 0 & -Dt & 0 \\ 0 & -2\omega r & -1 & -Dt \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{mr} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us check whether or not the new system is controllable.

> $\text{Ext01} := \text{Exti}(R01_adj, \text{Alg}, 1);$

$$\text{Ext01} := \left[\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3\omega^2 & Dt & 0 & -2\omega r & 0 \\ Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\omega m & 0 & mr Dt & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2Dt\omega r \\ 2\omega Dt^2 r \\ -3\omega^2 + Dt^2 \\ Dt^3 - 3Dt\omega^2 \\ Dt^4 mr + Dt^2\omega^2 mr \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

We obtain that the Alg -module associated with $R01$ is torsion-free, and thus, the system is controllable. Moreover, a parametrization of the system is given by $\text{Ext01}[3]$ or, equivalently, by:

> $\text{Parametrization}(R01, \text{Alg});$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\omega r \left(\frac{d}{dt} \xi_1(t) \right) \\ 2\omega r \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \xi_1(t) \right) \\ -3\omega^2 \xi_1(t) + \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \xi_1(t) \right) \\ \left(\frac{d^3}{dt^3} \xi_1(t) \right) - 3\omega^2 \left(\frac{d}{dt} \xi_1(t) \right) \\ mr \left(\omega^2 \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \xi_1(t) \right) + \left(\frac{d^4}{dt^4} \xi_1(t) \right) \right) \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the fact that the system is time-invariant, we obtain that the Alg -module associated with $R01$ is free, and thus, the system is flat. A flat output is obtain by computing a left-inverse of the parametrization $\text{Ext01}[3]$.

> $S01 := \text{LeftInverse}(\text{Ext01}[3], \text{Alg});$

$$S01 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{6r\omega^3} & -\frac{1}{3\omega^2} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

> $\text{simplify}(\text{Mult}(S01, \text{Ext01}[3], \text{Alg}));$

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

Therefore, $\xi = S01 (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T$ is a flat output of the system which satisfies

$$(x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T = \text{Ext01}[3] \xi.$$

Now, let us turn to the case where $a = 1$ and $b = 0$, i.e., to the case where there is only a radial thrust. Then, the system is defined by the following matrix:

> `R10 := linalg[submatrix](subs(a=1,b=0,evalm(Rab)), 1..4, 1..5);`

$$R10 := \begin{bmatrix} Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3\omega^2 & Dt & 0 & -2\omega r & -\frac{1}{m} \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} & 0 & Dt & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Its formal adjoint $R10_adj$ is defined by:

> `R10_adj := Involution(R10, Alg);`

$$R10_adj := \begin{bmatrix} -Dt & -3\omega^2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -Dt & 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} \\ 0 & 0 & -Dt & 0 \\ 0 & -2\omega r & -1 & -Dt \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{m} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us check whether or not the system defined by $R10$ is controllable.

> `Ext01 := Exti(R10_adj, Alg, 1);`

$$Ext01 := \left[\begin{bmatrix} Dt & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2\omega & 0 & 0 & r & 0 \\ 0 & 2\omega & 0 & Dt r & 0 \\ 0 & 2m Dt & 0 & -\omega r m & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -Dt r \\ -Dt^2 r \\ 2\omega \\ 2Dt\omega \\ -Dt\omega^2 r m - Dt^3 r m \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

The first matrix of $Ext01$ is not the identity matrix, and thus, there exist some torsion elements in the Alg -module associated with $R01$. Let us compute them.

> `TorsionElements(R10, [x1(t),x2(t),x3(t),x4(t),u1(t)], Alg);`

$$\left[\left[\begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \theta_1(t) = 0 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \theta_3(t) = 0 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{l} \theta_1(t) = 2\omega x_1(t) + r x_4(t) \\ \theta_3(t) = 2m \left(\frac{d}{dt} x_2(t) \right) - \omega r m x_4(t) - 2u_1(t) \end{array} \right] \right]$$

Then, the autonomous elements of the system are defined by:

> `AutonomousElements(R10, [x1(t),x2(t),x3(t),x4(t),u1(t)], Alg);`

$$\left[\left[\begin{array}{l} 3\omega m \theta_1(t) - \theta_2(t) = 0 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \theta_2(t) = 0 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{l} \theta_1 = \frac{-C1}{3\omega m} \\ \theta_2 = -C1 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{l} \theta_1 = 2\omega x_1(t) + r x_4(t) \\ \theta_2 = 2m \left(\frac{d}{dt} x_2(t) \right) - \omega r m x_4(t) - 2u_1(t) \end{array} \right] \right]$$

In particular, the system is not controllable. A first integral of motion of the system is defined by:

> `FirstIntegral(R10, [x1(t),x2(t),x3(t),x4(t),u1(t)], Alg);`

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{-C1 (2\omega x_1(t) + r x_4(t))}{\omega}$$

We let the reader check by himself that the time-derivative of the above first integral of motion is 0 modulo the system equations.

Finally, let us point out that the controllable part of the system is defined by the matrix *Ext01* [2] and it is parametrized by *Ext01* [3].

Following (Mounier, 1995), we modify the description of the control of the satellite in the system. If the rocket engines are commanded from the earth, then, due to transmission time, a constant time-delay occurs in the system.

Hence, we enlarge the above Ore algebra by a shift operator δ :

```
> Alg2 := DefineOreAlgebra(diff=[Dt,t], dual_shift=[delta,s],
> polynom=[t,s], comm=[omega,m,r,a,b], shift_action=[delta,t]):
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The system matrix is given as follows:

```
> R2 := evalm([[Dt,-1,0,0,0,0], [-3*omega^2,Dt,0,-2*omega*r,-a*delta/m,0],
> [0,0,Dt,-1,0,0], [0,2*omega/r,0,Dt,0,-b*delta/(m*r)]]);
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$$R2 := \begin{bmatrix} Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3\omega^2 & Dt & 0 & -2\omega r & -\frac{a\delta}{m} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} & 0 & Dt & 0 & -\frac{b\delta}{mr} \end{bmatrix}$$

We define a formal adjoint *R2_adj* of *R2* using an involution of *Alg2*:

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> R2_adj := Involution(R2, Alg2);
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$$R2_adj := \begin{bmatrix} -Dt & -3\omega^2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -Dt & 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} \\ 0 & 0 & -Dt & 0 \\ 0 & -2\omega r & -1 & -Dt \\ 0 & \frac{a\delta}{m} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{b\delta}{mr} \end{bmatrix}$$

We check controllability and parametrizability of the system by applying *Exti* to *R2_adj*:

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> Ext1 := Exti(R2_adj, Alg2, 1);
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$$Ext1 := \left[\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3m\omega^2 & Dt m & 0 & -2\omega r m & -a\delta & 0 \\ Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2m\omega & 0 & m r Dt & 0 & -b\delta \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{bmatrix} b a \delta & 0 \\ b a \delta Dt & 0 \\ 0 & b a \delta \\ 0 & b a \delta Dt \\ -3 b m \omega^2 + Dt^2 b m & -2 Dt b \omega r m \\ 2 a Dt m \omega & a Dt^2 m r \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

Since *Ext1*[1] is the identity matrix, we find that the first extension module with values in *Alg2* of the *Alg2*-module *N* which is associated with *R2_adj* is generically the zero module. Equivalently, the system

is generically controllable and parametrizable. A parametrization of the system is given in *Ext1*[3]. Equivalently, we can directly obtain the parametrization of the system by using the following command:

```
> Parametrization(R2, Alg2);
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$$\begin{bmatrix} b a \xi_1(t-1) \\ b a D(\xi_1)(t-1) \\ b a \xi_2(t-1) \\ b a D(\xi_2)(t-1) \\ b m (D^{(2)})(\xi_1)(t) - 3 b \omega^2 m \xi_1(t) - 2 b \omega r m D(\xi_2)(t) \\ 2 a \omega m D(\xi_1)(t) + a m r (D^{(2)})(\xi_2)(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

This parametrization is actually a minimal one (namely, it involves the minimal number of free functions) because we obtain the same parametrization using *MinimalParametrization*:

```
> MinimalParametrization(R2, Alg2);
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$$\begin{bmatrix} b a \delta & 0 \\ b a \delta D t & 0 \\ 0 & b a \delta \\ 0 & b a \delta D t \\ -3 b m \omega^2 + D t^2 b m & -2 D t b \omega r m \\ 2 a D t m \omega & a D t^2 m r \end{bmatrix}$$

We continue to study the structural properties of the system by examining the algebraic properties of the *Alg2*-module M which is associated with $R2$. The next step is to compute the second extension module with values in *Alg2* of N :

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> Ext2 := Exti(R2_adj, Alg2, 2);
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$$Ext2 := \left[\begin{bmatrix} \delta & 0 \\ D t \omega^2 + D t^3 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta \\ 0 & D t^2 \omega^2 + D t^4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, SURJ(2) \right]$$

Since *Ext2*[1] is not an identity matrix, we see that ext^2 of N is different from zero. Hence, M is not projective which also implies that M is not free. So, the satellite is not a flat system. As already mentioned above, M is a projective *Alg2*-module if and only if the full row rank matrix $R2$ admits a right-inverse. We conclude that a right-inverse of $R2$ does not exist:

```
> RightInverse(R2, Alg2);
```

□

Since the torsion-free degree $i(M)$ of M is equal to 1, we can find a polynomial π in the variable δ such that the system is π -free:

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

[δ]

By definition of the π -polynomial (Mounier, 1995), this means that if we introduce the time-advance operator in the system of the satellite, then it becomes a flat system. Hence, the module M associated with this system is a free module (over the Ore algebra which is obtained by adjoining the advance operator δ^{-1} to *Alg2*), and we are going to find a basis for this module using *LocalLeftInverse*:

> S := LocalLeftInverse(Ext1[3], [delta], Alg2);

$$S := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\frac{r Dt (Dt^2 + 4\omega^2)}{6 \delta a \omega^3 b} & 0 & -\frac{1}{3 \omega^2 b m} & \frac{Dt}{6 a \omega^3 m} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\delta b a} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We obtain a left-inverse S of the parametrization $Ext1[3]$ of the system, where we admit δ in the denominators, i.e., we allow the time-advance operator.

> Mult(S, Ext1[3], Alg2);

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

Hence, $(z_1 : z_2)^T = S (x_1 : x_2 : x_3 : x_4 : u_1 : u_2)^T$ is a basis of the $Alg2[\delta^{-1}]$ -module M_2 , and thus, a flat output of the satellite when we introduce the time-advance operator. More precisely, a flat output of the system over the ring $Alg2[\delta^{-1}]$ is defined by:

> evalm([[xi1(t)], [xi2(t)]])=ApplyMatrix(S, [x1(t), x2(t), x3(t), x4(t), u1(t), u2(t)], Alg2);

$$\begin{bmatrix} \xi_1(t) \\ \xi_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{6} \frac{r (D^{(3)})(x_3)(t+1)}{a \omega^3 b} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{r D(x_3)(t+1)}{\omega a b} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{u_1(t)}{\omega^2 b m} + \frac{1}{6} \frac{D(u_2)(t)}{a \omega^3 m} \\ \frac{x_3(t+1)}{b a} \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the fact that

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1 : x_2 : x_3 : x_4 : u_1 : u_2)^T &= Ext1[3] (\xi_1, \xi_2)^T \\ \text{and } (\xi_1 : \xi_2)^T &= S (x_1 : x_2 : x_3 : x_4 : u_1 : u_2)^T, \end{aligned}$$

then we have $(x_1 : x_2 : x_3 : x_4 : u_1 : u_2)^T = Q (x_1 : x_2 : x_3 : x_4 : u_1 : u_2)^T$, where Q is the following matrix:

> Q := simplify(Mult(Ext1[3], S, Alg2));

$$Q := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\frac{r Dt (Dt^2 + 4\omega^2)}{6 \omega^3} & 0 & -\frac{a \delta}{3 \omega^2 m} & \frac{b Dt \delta}{6 \omega^3 m} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{Dt^2 r (Dt^2 + 4\omega^2)}{6 \omega^3} & 0 & -\frac{a Dt \delta}{3 \omega^2 m} & \frac{b Dt^2 \delta}{6 \omega^3 m} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{m r Dt^3 (\omega^2 + Dt^2)}{6 \delta a \omega^3} & 0 & -\frac{-3 \omega^2 + Dt^2}{3 \omega^2} & \frac{b (-3 \omega^2 + Dt^2) Dt}{6 a \omega^3} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{Dt^2 m r (\omega^2 + Dt^2)}{3 \omega^2 \delta b} & 0 & -\frac{2 a Dt}{3 \omega b} & \frac{Dt^2}{3 \omega^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us point out that by the form of the matrix S shows that $(\xi_1' : \xi_2')^T = S2 (x_1 : x_2 : x_3 : x_4 : u_1 : u_2)^T$ is also a flat output of the system, where $S2$ is defined by:

> S2 := evalm([[0,0,0,0,-2*omega/b,Dt/a], [0,0,1/(a*b*delta),0,0,0]]);

$$S2 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{2\omega}{b} & \frac{Dt}{a} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\delta b a} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us check this by using *OreModules*.

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> P2 := Factorize(simplify(evalm(delta*Q)),simplify(evalm(delta*S2)), Alg2);
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$$P2 := \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\delta b a}{6 \omega^3 m} & -\frac{r b a \delta D t^3}{6 \omega^3} - \frac{2 r b a \delta D t}{3 \omega} \\ \frac{b a \delta D t}{6 \omega^3 m} & -\frac{r b a \delta D t^4}{6 \omega^3} - \frac{2 r b a \delta D t^2}{3 \omega} \\ 0 & b a \delta \\ 0 & b a \delta D t \\ \frac{b D t^2}{6 \omega^3} - \frac{b}{2 \omega} & -\frac{m r b D t^5}{6 \omega^3} - \frac{m r b D t^3}{6 \omega} \\ \frac{a D t}{3 \omega^2} & -\frac{m r a D t^4}{3 \omega^2} - \frac{a D t^2 m r}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, we have $\delta Q = P2 \delta S2$, and thus, $Q = P2 S2$. Therefore, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u1 : u2)^T &= Q (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u1 : u2)^T \\ &= P2 (S2 (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u1 : u2)^T) = P2 (\xi1' : \xi2')^T. \end{aligned}$$

Let us check now that $P2$ parametrizes all solutions of the system. If we eliminate the $\xi1'$ and $\xi2'$ from the inhomogeneous system $(x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u1 : u2)^T = P2 (\xi1' : \xi2')^T$, then we obtain $R3 (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u1 : u2)^T = 0$, where the matrix $R3$ is defined by:

```
> R3 := SyzygyModule(P2, Alg2);
```

$$R3 := \begin{bmatrix} -3 m \omega^2 & D t m & 0 & -2 \omega r m & -a \delta & 0 \\ D t & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 m \omega & 0 & m r D t & 0 & -b \delta \\ 0 & 0 & D t & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
> Quotient(R2, R3, Alg2);
```

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

Therefore, we obtain that the quotient $Alg2$ -module $(Alg2^4 R2)/(Alg2^4 R3)$ is zero.

```
> Quotient(R3, R2, Alg2);
```

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

Moreover, we obtain that the quotient $Alg2$ -module $(Alg2^4 R3)/(Alg2^4 R2)$ is zero, which proves that the $Alg2$ -module associated with $R2$ is equal to the $Alg2$ -module associated with $R3$. Therefore, $(\xi1' : \xi2')^T = S2 (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u1 : u2)^T$ is also a flat output of the system which satisfies $(x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u1 : u2)^T = P2 (\xi1' : \xi2')^T$. Let us notice that the two previous flat outputs only exist for $ab \neq 0$.

Let us study the case where $a = 0$ and $b = 1$, i.e., the case where there is only a tangential thrust.

```
> R201 := linalg[submatrix](subs(a=0,b=1,evalm(R2)), 1..4, [1,2,3,4,6]);
```

$$R201 := \begin{bmatrix} Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3\omega^2 & Dt & 0 & -2\omega r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} & 0 & Dt & -\frac{\delta}{mr} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us define a formal adjoint $R201_adj$ of $R201$ by using an involution of $Alg2$.

> `R201_adj := Involution(R201, Alg2);`

Let us check whether or not the $Alg2$ -module associated with $R201$ is torsion-free.

> `Ext101 := Exti(R201_adj, Alg2, 1);`

$$Ext101 := \left[\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3\omega^2 & Dt & 0 & -2\omega r & 0 \\ Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2m\omega & 0 & mrDt & -\delta \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2\delta Dt\omega r \\ 2\delta\omega Dt^2 r \\ -3\delta\omega^2 + Dt^2\delta \\ \delta Dt^3 - 3\delta Dt\omega^2 \\ Dt^4 mr + Dt^2\omega^2 mr \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

Therefore, we obtain that $Alg2$ -module associated with $R201$ is torsion-free, and thus, the system associated with $R201$ is controllable and parametrizable. In particular, a parametrization of the system is given by $Ext101[3]$ or, in other words, we have:

> `Parametrization(R201, Alg2);`

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\omega r D(\xi_1)(t-1) \\ 2\omega r (D^{(2)})(\xi_1)(t-1) \\ -3\omega^2 \xi_1(t-1) + (D^{(2)})(\xi_1)(t-1) \\ (D^{(3)})(\xi_1)(t-1) - 3\omega^2 D(\xi_1)(t-1) \\ mr (D^{(4)})(\xi_1)(t) + m\omega^2 r (D^{(2)})(\xi_1)(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us check whether or not the $Alg2$ -module associated with $R201$ is free, i.e., whether or not the system associated with $R201$ is flat.

> `Ext201 := Exti(R201_adj, Alg2, 2);`

$$Ext201 := \left[\begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ Dt^2\omega^2 + Dt^4 \end{bmatrix}, [1], \text{SURJ}(1) \right]$$

The first matrix is not the identity matrix, and thus, we obtain that the $Alg2$ -module associated with $R201$ is not a projective, and thus, a free $Alg2$ -module by the Quillen-Suslin theorem. The fact that the system is controllable implies that there exists a π -polynomial in δ . Let us compute the minimal one.

> `PiPolynomial(R201, Alg2, [delta]);`

$[\delta]$

Therefore, if we use the operator δ^{-1} , i.e., an advance operator, then the system becomes flat. Let us compute a flat output of the system which involves the advance operator δ^{-1} . if we use advance operators.

> `S201 := LocalLeftInverse(Ext101[3], [delta], Alg2);`

$$S201 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{6\delta\omega^3 r} & -\frac{1}{3\delta\omega^2} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, $\xi = S201 (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T$ is a flat output of the system which satisfies

$$(x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T = Ext101[3] \xi.$$

Let us also point out that the flat output of the system is defined by means of an advance operator whereas the parametrization $Ext101[3]$ of the system only contains time-delay operators. Let us find a flat output of the system which only use Dt and δ and a parametrization wich depends on Dt , δ and δ^{-1} . In particular, let us prove that $\xi' = T201 (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T$, where $T201$ is the matrix defined below, is a flat output of the system.

```
> T201 := evalm([[0,1,-2*r*omega,0,0]]);
          T201 := [ 0  1  -2*omega*r  0  0 ]
```

Let us check it. First of all, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T &= Ext101[3] \xi = (Ext101[3] \circ S201) (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T \\ &= Q201 (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T, \end{aligned}$$

where $Q201$ is defined by:

```
> Q201 := simplify(Mult(Ext101[3], S201, Alg2));
```

$$Q201 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{Dt}{3\omega^2} & -\frac{2Dt r}{3\omega} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{Dt^2}{3\omega^2} & -\frac{2Dt^2 r}{3\omega} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{\%1}{6\omega^3 r} & \frac{\%1}{3\omega^2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{Dt \%1}{6\omega^3 r} & \frac{Dt \%1}{3\omega^2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{Dt^2 m (Dt^2 + \omega^2)}{6\omega^3 \delta} & -\frac{Dt^2 m r (Dt^2 + \omega^2)}{3\delta \omega^2} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\%1 := 3\omega^2 - Dt^2$

Let us point out that $Q201$ is an idempotent of $Alg2^{5 \times 5}$. This fact can be easily checked:

```
> simplify(evalm(Q201^2 - Q201));
```

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

```
> P201 := Factorize(evalm(delta*Q201), T201, Alg2);
```

$$P201 := \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\delta Dt}{3\omega^2} \\ \frac{\delta Dt^2}{3\omega^2} \\ -\frac{\delta}{2\omega r} + \frac{\delta Dt^2}{6\omega^3 r} \\ -\frac{\delta Dt}{2\omega r} + \frac{\delta Dt^3}{6\omega^3 r} \\ \frac{Dt^4 m}{6\omega^3} + \frac{Dt^2 m}{6\omega} \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, we have $\delta Q201 = P201 \circ T201$, and thus, $Q201 = \delta^{-1} P201 \circ T201$. Let us denote by *Param* the matrix $\delta^{-1} P201$, namely:

> `Param := simplify(evalm(delta^(-1)*P201));`

$$Param := \begin{bmatrix} \frac{Dt}{3\omega^2} \\ \frac{Dt^2}{3\omega^2} \\ -\frac{3\omega^2 - Dt^2}{6\omega^3 r} \\ -\frac{Dt(3\omega^2 - Dt^2)}{6\omega^3 r} \\ \frac{Dt^2 m (Dt^2 + \omega^2)}{6\omega^3 \delta} \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, if we define $\xi' = T201(x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T$, then for every element $(x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T$ of the system, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T &= Q201(x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T = Param(T201(x1 : x2 : x3 : x4 : u2)^T) \\ &= Param \xi'. \end{aligned}$$

Let us study the case where $a = 1$ and $b = 0$, i.e., the case where there is only a radial thrust.

> `R210 := linalg[submatrix](subs(a=1,b=0,evalm(R2)), 1..4, 1..5);`

$$R210 := \begin{bmatrix} Dt & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3\omega^2 & Dt & 0 & -2\omega r & -\frac{\delta}{m} \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} & 0 & Dt & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We first define a formal adjoint *R210_adj* of *R210* using an involution of *Alg2*.

> `R210_adj := Involution(R210, Alg2);`

$$R210_adj := \begin{bmatrix} -Dt & -3\omega^2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -Dt & 0 & \frac{2\omega}{r} \\ 0 & 0 & -Dt & 0 \\ 0 & -2\omega r & -1 & -Dt \\ 0 & \frac{\delta}{m} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us check whether or not the system defined by the matrix *R210* is controllable and parametrizable.

> `Ext101 := Exti(R210_adj, Alg2, 1);`

$$Ext101 := \left[\begin{bmatrix} Dt & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2\omega & 0 & 0 & r & 0 \\ 0 & 2\omega & 0 & Dt r & 0 \\ 0 & 2m Dt & 0 & -\omega r m & -2\delta \\ 0 & 0 & Dt & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -Dt \delta r \\ -\delta Dt^2 r \\ 2\omega \delta \\ 2\delta Dt \omega \\ -Dt \omega^2 r m - Dt^3 r m \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

The first matrix of *Ext101* is not the identity matrix, and thus, the *Alg2*-module associated with *R201* is not torsion-free. The torsion elements of this module are defined by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &> \text{TorsionElements}(\mathbf{R210}, [\mathbf{x1}(t), \mathbf{x2}(t), \mathbf{x3}(t), \mathbf{x4}(t), \mathbf{u1}(t)], \mathbf{Alg2}); \\
 &\quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{D}(\theta_1)(t) = 0 \\ \mathbf{D}(\theta_3)(t) = 0 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{l} \theta_1(t) = 2\omega \mathbf{x1}(t) + r \mathbf{x4}(t) \\ \theta_3(t) = 2m \mathbf{D}(x_2)(t) - \omega r m \mathbf{x4}(t) - 2\mathbf{u1}(t-1) \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

To finish, the controllable part of the system is defined by *Ext101*[2] and it is parametrized by *Ext101*[3], namely, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &> \text{ApplyMatrix}(\text{Ext101}[3], [\mathbf{xi}(t)], \mathbf{Alg2}); \\
 &\quad \left[\begin{array}{l} 2\omega r \mathbf{D}(\xi)(t-1) \\ 2\omega r (\mathbf{D}^{(2)})(\xi)(t-1) \\ -3\omega^2 \xi(t-1) + (\mathbf{D}^{(2)})(\xi)(t-1) \\ (\mathbf{D}^{(3)})(\xi)(t-1) - 3\omega^2 \mathbf{D}(\xi)(t-1) \\ r m (\mathbf{D}^{(4)})(\xi)(t) + \omega^2 r m (\mathbf{D}^{(2)})(\xi)(t) \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$