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> with(OreModules):
> with(OreMorphisms);
> with(linalg):

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We consider the differential time-delay model of a stirred tank studied in H. Kwakernaak, R. Sivan, *Linear Optimal Control Systems*, Wiley-Interscience, 1972. The system matrix is defined by:

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> A:=DefineOreAlgebra(diff=[d,t],dual_shift=[delta,s],polynom=[t,s],
> comm=[theta,c[0],c[1],c[2],V[0]]):
> R:=matrix(2,4,[d+1/2/theta,0,-1,-1,0,d+1/theta,-(c[1]-c[0])/V[0]*delta,
> -(c[2]-c[0])/V[0]*delta]);

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$$R := \begin{bmatrix} d + \frac{1}{2\theta} & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & d + \frac{1}{\theta} & -\frac{(c_1 - c_0)\delta}{V_0} & -\frac{(c_2 - c_0)\delta}{V_0} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us consider the $A = \mathbb{Q}(c_0, c_1, c_2, V_0, \theta)[d, \delta]$ -module $M = A^{1 \times 4} / (A^{1 \times 2} R)$ finitely presented by R . We compute the A -module structure of the endomorphism ring $E = \text{end}_A(M)$ of M :

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> Endo:=MorphismsConstCoeff(R,R,A):

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We obtain that the A -module E is defined by

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> nops(Endo[1]);
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generators which satisfy

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> rowdim(Endo[2]);
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A -linear relations. We do not print the large outputs of $Endo$.

Let us now search for idempotents of E defined by two idempotent matrices $P \in A^{4 \times 4}$ and $Q \in A^{2 \times 2}$, i.e., P and Q satisfy the relations $RP = QR$, $P^2 = P$ and $Q^2 = Q$:

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> Idem:=IdempotentsMatConstCoeff(R,Endo[1],A,0,alpha):
> nops(Idem[1]);
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We obtain 12 different matrices P satisfying the previous relations. Let us consider the first one where we have set to zero the two arbitrary constants:

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> P:=subs(c81=0,c21=0,evalm(Idem[1,1])); Q:=Factorize(Mult(R,P,A),R,A);

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$$P := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{c_1 - c_0}{c_1 - c_2} & \frac{c_2 - c_0}{c_1 - c_2} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{c_1 - c_0}{c_1 - c_2} & -\frac{c_2 - c_0}{c_1 - c_2} \end{bmatrix} \quad Q := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

As we have $P^2 = P$ and $Q^2 = Q$, we know that the A -modules $\ker_A(.P)$, $\text{im}_A(.P) = \ker_A(. (I_4 - P))$, $\ker_A(.Q)$ and $\text{im}_A(.Q) = \ker_A(. (I_2 - Q))$ are projective, and thus, free by the Quillen-Suslin theorem. Let us compute bases of those free modules:

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> U1:=SyzygyModule(P,A): U2:=SyzygyModule(evalm(1-P),A):
> U:=stackmatrix(U1,U2);

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$$U := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c_1 - c_0 & c_2 - c_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

> `X1:=SyzygyModule(Q,A); X2:=SyzygyModule(evalm(1-Q),A);`
 > `X:=stackmatrix(X1,X2);`

$$X := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We then know that the matrix $U \in \text{GL}_4(A)$ is such that the matrix R is equivalent to the following block-diagonal matrix $S = RU^{-1}$:

> `S:=Mult(R,LeftInverse(U,A),A);`

$$S := \begin{bmatrix} d + \frac{1}{2\theta} & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d + \frac{1}{\theta} & -\frac{\delta}{V_0} \end{bmatrix}$$

We note that the second entry of the matrix S is invertible over A . Hence, we can use an elementary row operation to reduce the first row. In order to do that, we introduce the following unimodular matrix:

> `X:=evalm([[0,1,0,0],[-1,d+1/(2*theta),0,0],[0,0,1,0],[0,0,0,1]]);`

$$X := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & d + \frac{1}{2\theta} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then, the matrix SX has the form:

> `Mult(S,X,A);`

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d + \frac{1}{\theta} & -\frac{\delta}{V_0} \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, if we denote by $Y = X^{-1}U \in \text{GL}_4(A)$ defined by

> `Y:=Mult(LeftInverse(X,A),U,A);`

$$Y := \begin{bmatrix} d + \frac{1}{2\theta} & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c_1 - c_0 & c_2 - c_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

then, the matrix R is equivalent to the following simple block-diagonal matrix VRY^{-1} :

> `Mult(V,R,LeftInverse(Y,A),A);`

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d + \frac{1}{\theta} & -\frac{\delta}{V_0} \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, we have $M \cong A^{1 \times 2}/(A(1 \ 0)) \oplus A^{1 \times 2}/(A(d + 1/\theta \ \delta/V_0))$, i.e.:

$$M \cong A \oplus A^{1 \times 2}/(A(d + 1/\theta \ -\delta/V_0)).$$

If \mathcal{F} denotes an A -module (e.g., $\mathcal{F} = C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$), then we obtain that the linear differential time-delay system $\ker_{\mathcal{F}}(R.)$ is equivalent to the linear system $\ker_{\mathcal{F}}(S.)$, i.e.:

$$\zeta_1 = 0, \quad \zeta_2 \in \mathcal{F}, \quad \dot{\zeta}_3(t) - \zeta_3(t)/\theta + \zeta_4(t-h)/V_0 = 0.$$

Let us study the A -module structure of the endomorphism ring $E = \text{end}_A(M)$ of M :

> `ext1:=Exti(Involution(Endo[2],A),A,1): ext1[1];`

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

As we have $\text{ext}_A^1(N, A) = 0$, where $N = A^{1 \times 2}/(A^{1 \times 4} R^T)$, because the previous matrix is the identity matrix (see F. Chyzak, A. Quadrat, D. Robertz, "OREMODULES: A symbolic package for the study of multidimensional linear systems", in the book *Applications of Time-Delay Systems*, J. Chiasson and J. - J. Loiseau (Eds.), Lecture Notes in Control and Information Sciences (LNCIS) 352, Springer, 233-264), we obtain that the A -module E is torsion-free. Let us check whether or not the A -module E is reflexive:

> `ext2:=Exti(Involution(Endo[2],A),A,2)[1];`

$$\begin{bmatrix} \delta & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ d\theta + 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d\theta + 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d\theta + 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \delta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d\theta + 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

As the previous matrix is not the identity matrix, we obtain that $\text{ext}_A^2(N, A) \neq 0$, a fact proving that the A -module E is not reflexive. Hence, the A -module E is torsion-free but not free.

We proved that $M \cong A \oplus N$, where $N = A^{1 \times 2}/(A(d + 1/\theta \quad \delta/V_0))$. Hence, we get:

$$E = \text{end}_A(M) \cong \text{end}_A(A) \oplus \text{hom}_A(N, A) \oplus \text{hom}_A(A, N) \oplus \text{end}_A(N).$$

We have $\text{end}_A(A) \cong A$ and $\text{hom}_A(A, N) \cong N$. Let us compute the A -modules $\text{hom}_A(N, A)$ and $\text{end}_A(N)$. In order to do that, we introduce the two matrices $Z = 0$ and $T = (d + 1/\theta \quad \delta/V_0)$:

> `Z:=evalm([[0]]);`

$$Z := [0]$$

> `T:=submatrix(S,2..2,3..4);`

$$T := [d + \frac{1}{\theta} \quad -\frac{\delta}{V_0}]$$

Let us check that we have $\text{hom}_A(A, N) \cong N$ by computing the A -module $\text{hom}_A(A, N)$:

> `E[1]:=MorphismsConstCoeff(Z,T,A);`

$$E_1 := [[[1 \quad 0], [0 \quad 1]], [V_0 d\theta + V_0 \quad -\delta\theta]]$$

We obtain that the A -module $\text{hom}_A(A, N)$ is defined by two generators f_1 and f_2 satisfying the A -linear relation $V_0 \theta d f_1 - \theta \delta f_2 = 0$, which is precisely the definition of the A -module N .

Let us now compute the A -module $\text{hom}_A(N, A)$:

> $E[2] := \text{MorphismsConstCoeff}(T, Z, A)$;

$$E_2 := \left[\left[\begin{array}{c} \delta \theta \\ V_0 d\theta + V_0 \end{array} \right], \left[\right] \right]$$

We obtain that A -module $\text{hom}_A(N, A)$ is defined by one generator which does not satisfy any A -linear relation, i.e., it is not a torsion element. Hence, we obtain $\text{hom}_A(N, A) \cong A$. We note that we have $T E[2][1] = 0$, which is consistent with the fact that $\text{hom}_A(N, A) \cong \ker_A(T)$.

Let us compute the A -module $\text{end}_A(N)$:

> $E[3] := \text{MorphismsConstCoeff}(T, T, A)$;

> $E[3][1]$;

$$\left[\left[\begin{array}{cc} 0 & \delta \theta \\ 0 & V_0 d\theta + V_0 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \right]$$

The A -module $\text{end}_A(N)$ is defined by two generators g_1 and $g_2 = \text{id}_N$ which satisfy the relation:

> $E[3][2]$;

$$\left[-1 \quad V_0 d\theta + V_0 \right]$$

Hence, we obtain that $g_1 = V_0(\theta d + 1)\text{id}_M$, i.e., the A -module $\text{end}_A(N)$ is generated by id_M , which proves that $\text{end}_A(N) \cong A$. We finally obtain:

$$E \cong A \oplus N \oplus A \oplus A = A^3 \oplus N.$$

We can check the previous result by studying the A -module E . One way to do that is to find an injective A -morphism $\varphi : N \rightarrow E$ such that $\text{coker } \varphi \cong A^{1 \times 3}$. Using `OREMORPHISMS`, we can try to handle the corresponding computations. We first compute the A -module $\text{hom}_A(N, E)$:

> $\text{Morph} := \text{MorphismsConstCoeff}(T, \text{Endo}[2], A)$;

If we consider the matrix $P = \text{Morph}[1][6] \in A^{2 \times 8}$ defining the element h of $\text{hom}_A(N, E)$ and compute a matrix $Q \in A^{1 \times 8}$ satisfying $T P = Q \text{Endo}[2]$,

> $Y := \text{Morph}[1][6]$; $Z := \text{Factorize}(\text{Mult}(T, Y, A), \text{Endo}[2], A)$;

$$Y := \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & & 0 & 0 \\ \theta V_0 (c_2 c_1 - c_2 c_0 + c_0^2 - c_1 c_0) & -\theta V_0 (c_2 c_1 - c_2 c_0 + c_0^2 - c_1 c_0) & 0 & 0 \\ V_0 \theta (-c_1 + c_2) 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \theta V_0 (-2 c_2 c_0 + c_0^2 + c_2^2) & 0 & 0 \\ & & -\theta V_0 (-2 c_1 c_0 + c_0^2 + c_1^2) & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$Z := \left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \end{array} \right]$$

then we can compute the A -module $\ker \varphi$:

> $K := \text{KerMorphism}(T, \text{Endo}[2], Y, Z, A)$;

$$K := \left[\left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{cc} V_0 d\theta + V_0 & -\delta \theta \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{cc} d + \theta^{-1} & -\frac{\delta}{V_0} \end{array} \right], \left[\left[\begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{\theta V_0} \end{array} \right] \right] \right]$$

As the first matrix $K[1][1]$ is 1, we obtain that $\varphi \in \text{hom}_A(N, E)$ is injective.

Let us now compute the A -module $\text{coker } \varphi$:

> $\text{Coker} := \text{CokerMorphism}(T, \text{Endo}[2], Y, Z, A)$;

Let us compute its rank:

> OreRank(Coker,A);

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We finally need to check whether or not the A -module coker φ is free:

> Ext1:=Exti(Involution(Coker,A),A,1): Ext1[1];

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

We obtain that the A -module coker φ is torsion-free. Moreover, we have $\text{coker } \varphi \cong A^{1 \times 8} \text{Ext1}[3]$.

> map(factor,LeftInverse(Ext1[3],A));

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2(c_2-c_1)^2 V_0 \theta} & \frac{1}{(c_2-c_1)^2(c_1-c_0)} & \frac{1}{(c_2-c_1)^2(c_0-c_1)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{c_2-c_0}{2(-c_1+c_2)^2 V_0 \theta} & \frac{c_0-c_2}{(c_2-c_1)^2(c_0-c_1)} & -\frac{1}{(c_2-c_1)^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{c_0-c_2}{2 V_0 \theta (c_2-c_1)} & \frac{1}{c_1-c_2} & \frac{c_0-c_2}{(c_1-c_2)(c_1-c_0)} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

As the matrix $\text{Ext1}[3]$ admits a left-inverse over A , we obtain that $\text{coker } \varphi \cong A^{1 \times 3}$, which proves that we have the split exact sequence of A -modules $0 \longrightarrow N \xrightarrow{\varphi} E \longrightarrow A^{1 \times 3} \longrightarrow 0$, a fact implying that $E \cong N \oplus A^3$ and proves the result. In all the previous computations, we have assumed that we were in the generic situation, i.e., the constants c_0 , c_1 and c_2 are pairwise different. As the module properties of M are known to depend on the system parameters (see F. Chyzak, A. Quadrat, D. Robertz, OREMODULES project, <http://wwwb.math.rwth-aachen.de/OreModules> for the precise details), we let the reader handle the different non-generic situations.