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#### Abstract

The work is concerned with a linear continuous system the parameters of which vary with time and an input is discrete-time. Two forms of a system discrete-time description and their mutual relations are investigated.

In linear stationary sampled-data systems a continuous part is usually described by its transfer function in the modified discrete Laplace transform or Z-transform. There are possibilities to use the corresponding difference equation either in the scalar or vector-matrix form ([1] and [2]). We can use several methods for the transformation of a continuous differential description into an $\varepsilon$-parameter difference form for stationary systems ([1], [2] and [3]).

Nonstationary systems can be practically investigated in a time domain only. We derive here the discrete-time form of state equations and the corresponding scalar difference equation of a linear nonstationary continuous-time system with discrete-time input. It is shown that both these forms can be obtained from a conti-nuous-time description if the system transition matrix is known.


## I. SYSTEM STATE EQUATIONS

Let us consider a single-input, single-output deterministic linear system described by two vector-matrix equations

$$
\begin{align*}
& \dot{\boldsymbol{x}}(t)=\boldsymbol{A}(t) \boldsymbol{x}(t)+\boldsymbol{b}(t) u(t)  \tag{1a}\\
& y(t)=\mathbf{c}(t) \boldsymbol{x}(t) \tag{1b}
\end{align*}
$$

where a system input and output are denoted by $u(t)$ and $y(t)$ respectively,

$$
\boldsymbol{x}(t)=\left[\begin{array}{l}
x_{1}(t)  \tag{2}\\
\vdots \\
x_{s}(t)
\end{array}\right]
$$

is an $(s \times 1)$ vector of state variables $x_{i}(t), \mathbf{A}(t)$ is an $(s \times s)$ matrix, $\mathbf{b}(t)$ an $(s \times 1)$ column vector and $\boldsymbol{c}(t)$ an $(1 \times s)$ row vector.

Solving the equation (1a) we obtain [4]

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{x}(t)=\boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(t, t_{0}\right) \mathbf{x}\left(t_{0}\right)+\int_{t_{0}}^{t} \boldsymbol{\Phi}(t, \tau) \boldsymbol{b}(\tau) u(\tau) \mathrm{d} \tau \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where a system transition (fundamental) matrix $\Phi\left(t, t_{0}\right)$ is the solution of the equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{~d} t} \boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(t, t_{0}\right)-\mathbf{A}(t) \boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(t, t_{0}\right)=0 \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

under condition

$$
\Phi\left(t_{0}, t_{0}\right)=\boldsymbol{I}
$$

$\Phi\left(t, t_{0}\right)$ posesses the properties:

1. The elements of $\Phi\left(t, t_{0}\right)$ are continuous functions of both $t$ and $t_{0}$;
2. 

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Phi(t, t)=1 \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

3. 

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{\Phi}(t, \tau) \boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(\tau, t_{0}\right)=\boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(t, t_{0}\right) \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now assume that a discrete-time input signal is applied to the system described by (1). Let the constant time interval between two neighbouring input values (sampling period) be $T=1$ here for simplicity without loss of generality, i.e., $t=n+\varepsilon$ where $n$ ranges over the integers and $\varepsilon$ is a continuous parameter, $0 \leqq \varepsilon \leqq 1$.

A dynamical behaviour of the continuous system (1) with a discrete-time input can be described in the discrete-time state space form as

$$
\begin{align*}
\mathbf{x}(n+1, \varepsilon) & =\mathbf{F}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\boldsymbol{h}(n+1, \varepsilon) u(n+1)  \tag{7a}\\
y(n, \varepsilon) & =\mathbf{c}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{x}(n, \varepsilon) \tag{7b}
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
& \mathbf{F}(n, \varepsilon)=\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+1, \varepsilon ; n),  \tag{9}\\
& \mathbf{h}(n, \varepsilon)=\boldsymbol{E}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{b}(n, 0) \tag{10}
\end{align*}
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{E}(n, \varepsilon)=\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n, \varepsilon ; n) \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

$$
E(n, 0)=I
$$

12) 

The equation (7a) for $\varepsilon=0$ has the form
(8a)

$$
\mathbf{x}(n+1,0)=\boldsymbol{F}(n, 0) \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\boldsymbol{b}(n+1,0) u(n+1)
$$

and the equation (7b) can also be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
y(n, \varepsilon)=\gamma(n, \varepsilon) \times(n, 0) \tag{8b}
\end{equation*}
$$

where
(13)

$$
\gamma(n, \varepsilon)=c(n, \varepsilon) E(n, \varepsilon)
$$

Then equivalent state equations (8) can be used instead of the equations (7).
Note that the state equations (7) have the form
(14a) $\quad \mathbf{x}(n T+T, \varepsilon T)=\boldsymbol{F}(n T, \varepsilon T) \mathbf{x}(n T, 0)+\boldsymbol{h}(n T+T, \varepsilon T) u(n T+T)$,
(14b) $\quad y(n T, \varepsilon T)=\boldsymbol{c}(n T, \varepsilon T) \boldsymbol{x}(n T, \varepsilon T)$
if $T \neq 1$.
Proof. A discrete-time input signal can be represented in continuous-time domain by a modulated Dirac function sequence

$$
\begin{equation*}
u^{*}(t)=u(t) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \delta\left(t-k^{+}\right) \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting the relation (15) into the equation (3) we get for $t_{0}=k_{0}$

$$
\begin{align*}
\mathbf{x}(t) & =\boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(t, k_{0}\right) \mathbf{x}\left(k_{0}^{-}\right)+\sum_{k=k_{0}}^{n} \boldsymbol{\Phi}(t, k) \boldsymbol{b}(k) u(k)=  \tag{16a}\\
& =\boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(t, k_{0}\right) \mathbf{x}\left(k_{0}^{+}\right)+\sum_{\boldsymbol{k}=k_{0}+1}^{n} \boldsymbol{\Phi}(t, k) \boldsymbol{b}(k) u(k)
\end{align*}
$$

where $t-1<n<t$.
For $k_{0}=n$ we have

$$
\begin{align*}
\mathbf{x}(t) & =\boldsymbol{\Phi}(t, n) \mathbf{x}\left(n^{-}\right)+\boldsymbol{\Phi}(t, n) \boldsymbol{b}(n) u(n)=  \tag{17a}\\
& =\boldsymbol{\Phi}(t, n) \mathbf{x}\left(n^{+}\right)
\end{align*}
$$

Using the discrete version of time we can write

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{x}(t)=\boldsymbol{x}(n, \varepsilon) \\
& \mathbf{x}\left(k^{+}\right)=\boldsymbol{x}(k, 0)
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
\mathbf{x}\left(k^{-}\right)=\mathbf{x}(k-1,1)
$$

Then the equation (17b) can be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{x}(n, \varepsilon)=\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n, \varepsilon ; n) \boldsymbol{x}(n, 0) \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the equation (16b) for $k_{0}=n, t=n+1+\varepsilon$
(19) $\boldsymbol{x}(n+1, \varepsilon)=\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+1, \varepsilon ; n) \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+1, \varepsilon ; n+1) \boldsymbol{b}(n+1) u(n+1)$.

Obviously the equations (19) and (7a) are identical if the designations (9), (10) and (11) are used.

For $\varepsilon=0$ the eq. (19) has the form

$$
\mathbf{x}(n+1,0)=\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+1,0 ; n) \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\boldsymbol{b}(n+1) u(n+1)
$$

and the validity of (8a) is proved.
The system output is given simply by the eq. (1b) as

$$
\begin{equation*}
y(n, \varepsilon)=\mathbf{c}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{x}(n, \varepsilon) \tag{7~b}
\end{equation*}
$$

or with respect to (18)

$$
y(n, \varepsilon)=c(n, \varepsilon) \Phi(n, \varepsilon ; n) \boldsymbol{x}(n, 0)
$$

Using the relations (11) and (13) the validity of (8b) is evident.

## II. SCALAR DIFFERENCE EQUATION

The results presented in the previous chapter make possible to determine a convenient, correct form of a scalar difference equation between a system input and output.

This difference equation can be written in two forms:
a)

$$
\begin{equation*}
y(n+s, \varepsilon)+\sum_{i=0}^{s-1} \alpha_{i}(n, \varepsilon) y(n+i, \varepsilon)=\sum_{j=1}^{s} \beta_{j}(n, \varepsilon) u(n+j) \tag{20}
\end{equation*}
$$

The coefficients $\alpha_{i}(n, \varepsilon)$ are the elements of the $(1 \times s)$ row vector

$$
\begin{align*}
\alpha(n, \varepsilon) & =\left[\alpha_{0}(n, \varepsilon) \alpha_{1}(n, \varepsilon) \ldots \alpha_{s-1}(n, \varepsilon)\right]=  \tag{21}\\
& =-\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n) \mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, \varepsilon)
\end{align*}
$$

and $\mathrm{b}_{j}(n, \varepsilon)$ are the elements of the $(1 \times s)$ row vector

$$
\begin{align*}
\boldsymbol{\beta}(n, \varepsilon) & =\left[\beta_{1}(n, \varepsilon) \beta_{2}(n, \varepsilon) \ldots \beta_{s}(n, \varepsilon)\right]=  \tag{22}\\
& =\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n)\left\{\boldsymbol{B}(n, 0)-\mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{R}(n, \varepsilon)\right\}
\end{align*}
$$

where the $(s \times s)$ matrices $\mathbf{Q}(n, \varepsilon)$ and $\mathbf{B}(n, 0)$ are given by

$$
\mathbf{Q}(n, \varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{l}
\gamma(n, \varepsilon)  \tag{23}\\
\gamma(n+1, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+1,0 ; n) \\
\vdots \\
\gamma(n+s-1, \varepsilon) \mathbf{Q}(n+s-1,0 ; n)
\end{array}\right]
$$

34 and
(24) $\quad \mathbf{B}(n, 0)=\left[\boldsymbol{\Phi}^{-1}(n+1,0 ; n) \boldsymbol{b}(n+1,0) ; \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{-1}(n+2,0 ; n) \boldsymbol{b}(n+2,0) ; \ldots\right.$ $\left.\ldots \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{-1}(n+s, 0 ; n) \boldsymbol{b}(n+s, 0)\right]$
respectively, and the ( $s \times s$ ) matrix $\boldsymbol{R}(n, \varepsilon)$ has the structure

$$
R(n, \varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{lllll}
0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots 0 & 0  \tag{25}\\
r_{11}(n, \varepsilon) & 0 & 0 & \ldots 0 & 0 \\
r_{21}(n, \varepsilon) & r_{22}(n, \varepsilon) & 0 & \ldots 0 & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
r_{s-1,1}(n, \varepsilon) & r_{s-1,2}(n, \varepsilon) & r_{s-1,3}(n, \varepsilon) & \ldots r_{s-1, s-1}(n, \varepsilon) & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

where

$$
\begin{gather*}
r_{i j}(n, \varepsilon)=\gamma(n+i, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+i, 0 ; n+j) \boldsymbol{b}(n+j, 0)  \tag{26}\\
i, j=1,2, \ldots, s-1
\end{gather*}
$$

Obviously the relation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{\beta}(n, \varepsilon)=\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n) \boldsymbol{B}(n, 0)+\alpha(n, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{R}(n, \varepsilon) \tag{27}
\end{equation*}
$$

is valid between $\alpha_{i}(n, \varepsilon)$ and $\beta_{j}(n, \varepsilon)$.
b) A system difference equation can be written in the second form as

$$
\begin{equation*}
y(n+s, \varepsilon)+\sum_{i=0}^{s-1} \mu_{i}(n, \varepsilon) y(n+i, 0)=\sum_{j=1}^{s} v_{j}(n, \varepsilon) u(n+j) \tag{28}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the coefficients $\mu_{i}(n, \varepsilon)$ are given by the row vector

$$
\begin{align*}
\mu(n, \varepsilon) & =\left[\mu_{0}(n, \varepsilon) \mu_{1}(n, \varepsilon) \ldots \mu_{s-1}(n, \varepsilon)\right]=  \tag{29}\\
& =-\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \Phi(n+s, 0 ; n) \mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, 0)
\end{align*}
$$

and $v_{j}(n, \varepsilon)$ are the elements of the row vector
(30) $\boldsymbol{v}(n, \varepsilon)=\left[v_{1}(n, \varepsilon) v_{2}(n, \varepsilon) \ldots v_{s}(n, \varepsilon)\right]=$

$$
=\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n)\left\{\mathbf{B}(n, 0)-\mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, 0) \boldsymbol{R}(n, 0)\right\} .
$$

Here

$$
\mathbf{Q}(n, 0)=\mathbf{Q}(n, \varepsilon)_{e=0}=\left[\begin{array}{l}
c(n, 0)  \tag{31}\\
c(n+1,0) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+1,0 ; n) \\
\vdots \\
c(n+s-1) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s-1,0 ; n)
\end{array}\right],
$$

$\boldsymbol{B}(n, 0)$ is given by (24) and $\boldsymbol{R}(n, 0)$ of the structure (25) has the elements

$$
\begin{equation*}
r_{i j}(n, 0)=\mathbf{c}(n+i, 0) \Phi(n+i, 0 ; n+j) \boldsymbol{b}(n+j) . \tag{32}
\end{equation*}
$$

(33) $\quad v(n, \varepsilon)=\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n) \mathbf{B}(n, 0)+\mu(n, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{R}(n, 0)$.

The following relations can be used for the mutual transformation of the forms (a) and (b):

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{\alpha}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{Q}(n, \varepsilon)=\mu(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{Q}(n, 0) \tag{34}
\end{equation*}
$$

(35)
$\boldsymbol{\beta}(n, \varepsilon)\left\{\mathbf{B}(n, 0)-\mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{R}(n, \varepsilon)\right\}^{-1}=\boldsymbol{v}(n, \varepsilon)\left\{\mathbf{B}(n, 0)-\mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, 0) \boldsymbol{R}(n, 0)\right\}^{-1}$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\alpha_{i}(n, 0)=\mu_{i}(n, 0) ; \quad i=0,1, \ldots, s-1 \tag{36}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\beta_{j}(n, 0)=v_{j}(n, 0) ; \quad j=1,2, \ldots, s \tag{37}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. a) Gradually applying the operator

$$
\begin{equation*}
V^{i} f(n, \varepsilon)=f(n+i, \varepsilon) ; \quad i=0,1, \ldots, s \tag{38}
\end{equation*}
$$

to the eq. (8b) and using the eq. (8a) we have

$$
\begin{align*}
y(n, \varepsilon)= & \gamma(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{x}(n, 0)  \tag{39}\\
y(n+1, \varepsilon)= & \gamma(n+1, \varepsilon)[\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+1,0 ; n) \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\boldsymbol{b}(n+1,0) u(n+1)] \\
& \vdots \\
y(n+i, \varepsilon)= & \gamma(n+i, \varepsilon)[\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+i, 0 ; n) \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+ \\
& \left.+\sum_{j=1}^{i} \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+i, 0 ; n+j) \mathbf{b}(n+j, 0) u(n+j)\right] \\
y(n+s-1, \varepsilon)= & \gamma(n+s-1, \varepsilon)[\boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s-1,0 ; n) \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+ \\
& \left.+\sum_{j=1}^{s-1} \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s-1,0 ; n+j) \mathbf{b}(n+j, 0) u(n+j)\right]
\end{align*}
$$

and
(40) $\quad y(n+s, \varepsilon)=\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon)[\Phi(n+s, 0 ; n) \boldsymbol{x}(n, 0)+$

$$
\left.+\sum_{j=1}^{s} \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n+j) \boldsymbol{b}(n+j, 0) u(n+j)\right]
$$

Introducing the $(s \times 1)$ vectors
(41)

$$
\mathbf{y}(n, \varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{l}
y(n, \varepsilon) \\
y(n+1, \varepsilon) \\
\vdots \\
y(n+s-1, \varepsilon)
\end{array}\right]
$$

and

$$
\mathbf{u}(n+1)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
u(n+1)  \tag{42}\\
u(n+2) \\
\vdots \\
u(n+s)
\end{array}\right]
$$

the set of equations (39) can be written in the vector-matrix form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{y}(n, \varepsilon)=\mathrm{Q}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\mathbf{R}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{u}(n+1) \tag{43}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the ( $s \times s$ ) matrices $\mathbf{Q}(n, \varepsilon)$ and $\boldsymbol{R}(n, \varepsilon)$ are given by (23) and (25) with (26), respectively.

Solving the eq. (43) for $\mathbf{x}(n, 0)$ we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{x}(n, 0)=\mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, \varepsilon)[\mathbf{y}(n, \varepsilon)-\boldsymbol{R}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{u}(n+1)] \tag{44}
\end{equation*}
$$

provided $\mathbf{Q}(n, \varepsilon)$ is nonsingular.
Substituting now the relation (44) into the equation (40) we can write
(45) $y(n+s, \varepsilon)=\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \Phi(n+s, 0 ; n) \mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, \varepsilon)[\mathbf{y}(n, \varepsilon)-\mathbf{R}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{u}(n+1)]+$

$$
+\boldsymbol{r}_{s}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{u}(n+1)
$$

where the $(1 \times s)$ row vector is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{r}_{s}(n, \varepsilon)=\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n) \mathbf{B}(n, 0) \tag{46}
\end{equation*}
$$

if $\mathbf{B}(n, 0)$ has the form (24).
With respect to (46) the equation (45) can be written as
(47) $y(n+s, \varepsilon)-\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \Phi(n+s, 0 ; n) \mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{y}(n, \varepsilon)=$

$$
=\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n)\left\{\boldsymbol{B}(n, 0)-\mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{R}(n, \varepsilon)\right\} \boldsymbol{u}(n+1)
$$

and the validity of the relations (20), (21) and (22) is evident.
b) Writing the equation (43) for $\varepsilon=0$ we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{y}(n, 0)=\mathbf{Q}(n, 0) \boldsymbol{x}(n, 0)+\boldsymbol{R}(n, 0) \boldsymbol{u}(n+1) \tag{48}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathbf{Q}(n, 0)$ is given by (31) and $\boldsymbol{R}(n, 0)$ given by (25) has now the elements (32).
Substituting the solution $\boldsymbol{x}(n, 0)$ from the equation (48) into the equation (40) we get
(49) $y(n+s, \varepsilon)=\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n) \mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, 0)[\mathbf{y}(n, 0)-\boldsymbol{R}(n, 0) \mathbf{u}(n+1)]+$ $+\boldsymbol{r}_{s}(n, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{u}(n+1)$.
(50) $\quad y(n+s, \varepsilon)-\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \Phi(n+s, 0 ; n) \mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, 0) \mathbf{y}(n, 0)=$

$$
=\gamma(n+s, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(n+s, 0 ; n)\left\{\mathbf{B}(n, 0)-\mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, 0) \mathbf{R}(n, 0)\right\} \mathbf{u}(n+1)
$$

and the validity of (28), (29) and (30) is proved.
The relations (34)-(37) results directly comparing the equations (20) and (28).
We can see that the coefficients $\mu_{i}(n, \varepsilon), v_{j}(n, \varepsilon)$ can be obtained in general by simpler way than $\alpha_{i}(n, \varepsilon), \beta_{j}(n, \varepsilon)$.

## III. SIMPLIFIED CASES

## 1. Normalized canonical form

The above relations are much simpler if the system (1) can be described on definite time interval in normalized canonical form [5, pp. 317] as

$$
\begin{align*}
& \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t)=\boldsymbol{b}(t) u(t),  \tag{51a}\\
& y(t)=\mathbf{c}(t) \mathbf{x}(t) . \tag{51b}
\end{align*}
$$

Then according to (4)

$$
\Phi\left(t, t_{0}\right)=\boldsymbol{I}
$$

and the discrete-time version of state equations has the form

$$
\begin{align*}
\mathbf{x}(n+1, \varepsilon) & =\mathbf{x}(n+1,0)=\mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\mathbf{b}(n+1,0) u(n+1),  \tag{52}\\
y(n, \varepsilon) & =c(n, \varepsilon) \mathbf{x}(n, 0) .
\end{align*}
$$

The scalar difference equation has the coefficients given for the form $(a)$ by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\alpha(n, \varepsilon)=-\mathbf{c}(n+s, \varepsilon) \mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, \varepsilon) \tag{53}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{\beta}(n, \varepsilon)=\mathbf{c}(n+s, \varepsilon)\left\{\mathbf{B}(n, 0)-\mathbf{Q}^{-1}(n, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{R}(n, \varepsilon)\right\} \tag{54}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\mathbf{Q}(n, \varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{l}
\mathbf{c}(n, \varepsilon)  \tag{55}\\
\mathbf{c}(n+1, \varepsilon) \\
\vdots \\
c(n+s-1, \varepsilon)
\end{array}\right]
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{B}(n, 0)=[\boldsymbol{b}(n+1,0) \boldsymbol{b}(n+2,0) \ldots \boldsymbol{b}(n+s, 0)] \tag{56}
\end{equation*}
$$

and $\mathbf{R}(n, \varepsilon)$ has the elements

$$
\begin{equation*}
r_{i j}(n, \varepsilon)=\mathbf{c}(n+i, \varepsilon) \boldsymbol{b}(n+j, 0) \tag{57}
\end{equation*}
$$

The coefficients $\mu(n, \varepsilon)$ and $v(n, \varepsilon)$ of the form $(b)$ are simplified by similar way,
2. Stationary system

If the parameters of the system (1) do not vary with time then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Phi\left(t, t_{0}\right)=\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{A}\left(t-t_{0}\right)} \tag{58}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the state equations are given by

$$
\begin{align*}
\boldsymbol{x}(n+1, \varepsilon) & =\mathrm{e}^{\boldsymbol{A}(1+\varepsilon)} \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\mathrm{e}^{\boldsymbol{A} \varepsilon} \boldsymbol{b} u(n+1)  \tag{59}\\
y(n, \varepsilon) & =\boldsymbol{c} \mathbf{x}(n, \varepsilon)
\end{align*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{aligned}
x(n+1,0) & =\mathrm{e}^{A} \boldsymbol{x}(n, 0)+\boldsymbol{b} u(n+1) \\
y(n, \varepsilon) & =\mathbf{c}^{A_{\varepsilon}} \mathbf{x}(n, 0)
\end{aligned}
$$

To find the coefficients of scalar difference equation we determine
(61)

$$
\mathbf{Q}(\varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{l}
\mathbf{c} \\
c \mathrm{e}^{A} \\
\vdots \\
c \mathrm{e}^{A(s-1)}
\end{array}\right] \mathrm{e}^{A_{\varepsilon},}
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{B}=\left[\mathrm{e}^{-\boldsymbol{A}} \boldsymbol{b} ; \mathrm{e}^{-2 \boldsymbol{A}} \boldsymbol{b} ; \ldots ; \mathrm{e}^{-s \boldsymbol{A}} \boldsymbol{b}\right] \tag{62}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
r_{i j}(\varepsilon)=\boldsymbol{c} \mathrm{e}^{\boldsymbol{A} \varepsilon} \mathrm{e}^{\mathbf{A}(i-j)} \boldsymbol{b} \tag{63}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then

$$
\alpha=-c \mathrm{e}^{A_{\varepsilon}} \mathrm{e}^{A s} Q^{-1}(\varepsilon)=-c \mathrm{e}^{A s}\left[\begin{array}{l}
c  \tag{64}\\
c \mathrm{e}^{A} \\
\vdots \\
c \mathrm{e}^{A(s-1)}
\end{array}\right]^{-1}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\boldsymbol{\beta}(\varepsilon)=c e^{A_{\varepsilon}} \boldsymbol{B}+\alpha \boldsymbol{R}(\varepsilon) \tag{65}
\end{equation*}
$$

By similar way can be obtained

$$
\mu(\varepsilon)=-c \mathrm{e}^{A_{\varepsilon}} \mathrm{e}^{A S}\left[\begin{array}{l}
c  \tag{66}\\
c \mathrm{e}^{A} \\
\vdots \\
c \mathrm{e}^{A(s-1)}
\end{array}\right]^{-1}
$$

$$
\boldsymbol{v}(\varepsilon)=\boldsymbol{c} \mathrm{e}^{A_{\varepsilon}} \mathrm{e}^{A_{S}} \mathbf{B}+\boldsymbol{\mu}(\varepsilon) \boldsymbol{R} .
$$

## CONCLUSIONS

Considering an application of discrete-time input to a linear nonstationary system given by continuous-time state equations
a) the state equations in the discrete-time form or the scalar difference equation can be obtained if system transition matrix $\Phi\left(t, t_{0}\right)$ is known;
b) in spite of $\Phi\left(t, t_{0}\right)$ cannot be obtained in general by analytical way the presented relations might be useful for numerical solution;
c) using the above relations the mutual transformation between vector-matrix and scalar discrete-time description is always possible.

## EXAMPLE

A discrete-time signal is applied to the continuous system described by

$$
\begin{gathered}
\dot{x}(t)=\left[\begin{array}{rr}
0 & 0 \\
0 & -1
\end{array}\right] \mathbf{x}(t)+\left[\begin{array}{c}
\mathrm{e}^{t} \\
1
\end{array}\right] u(t) \\
y(t)=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & \left.\mathrm{e}^{-t}\right] \mathbf{x}(t)
\end{array} .\right.
\end{gathered}
$$

Obviously the matrix $\boldsymbol{A}$ is stationary in this case and the transition matrix can be obtained as

$$
\Phi\left(t, t_{0}\right)=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 0 \\
0 & \mathrm{e}^{-\left(t-t_{0}\right)}
\end{array}\right]
$$

Let us determine the discrete-time state equations and the corresponding scalar difference equation of this system.

1. Using the relations (9) - (13) we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \boldsymbol{F}(\varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 0 \\
0 & \mathrm{e}^{-(1+\varepsilon)}
\end{array}\right] \\
& \boldsymbol{E}(\varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 0 \\
0 & \mathrm{e}^{-\varepsilon}
\end{array}\right] \\
& \boldsymbol{h}(n, \varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{l}
\mathrm{e}^{n} \\
\mathrm{e}^{-\varepsilon}
\end{array}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
\gamma(n, \varepsilon)=\left[1 \mathrm{e}^{-(n+2 \varepsilon)}\right] .
$$

The state equations are given by (7) as

$$
\begin{aligned}
x(n+1, \varepsilon) & =\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 0 \\
0 & \mathrm{e}^{-(1+\varepsilon)}
\end{array}\right] \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\left[\begin{array}{l}
\mathrm{e}^{n+1} \\
\mathrm{e}^{-\varepsilon}
\end{array}\right] u(n+1), \\
y(n, \varepsilon) & =\left[1 \mathrm{e}^{-(n+\varepsilon)}\right] \mathbf{x}(n, \varepsilon)
\end{aligned}
$$

or according to (8)

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{x}(n+1,0) & =\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 0 \\
0 & \mathrm{e}^{-1}
\end{array}\right] \mathbf{x}(n, 0)+\left[\begin{array}{l}
\mathrm{e}^{n+1} \\
1
\end{array}\right] u(n+1), \\
y(n, \varepsilon) & =\left[1 \mathrm{e}^{-(n+2 \varepsilon)}\right] \mathbf{x}(n, 0)
\end{aligned}
$$

2. Using (23)-(26) we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{Q}(n, \varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & \mathrm{e}^{-(n+2 \varepsilon)} \\
1 & \mathrm{e}^{-(n+2+2 \varepsilon)}
\end{array}\right], \\
& \mathbf{B}(n, 0)=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
\mathrm{e}^{n+1} & \mathrm{e}^{n+2} \\
\mathrm{e} & \mathrm{e}^{2}
\end{array}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
R(n, \varepsilon)=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 0 \\
\mathrm{e}^{n+1}+\mathrm{e}^{-(n+1+2 \varepsilon)} & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

From the relation (21) we get

$$
\alpha(n, \varepsilon)=\alpha=\left[\mathrm{e}^{-2} ;-\left(1+\mathrm{e}^{-2}\right)\right]
$$

and using (22) or (27)

$$
\boldsymbol{\beta}(n, \varepsilon)=\left[-\mathrm{e}^{n-1}-\mathrm{e}^{-(n+1+2 \varepsilon)} ; \mathrm{e}^{n+2}+\mathrm{e}^{-(n+2+2 \varepsilon)}\right]
$$

Using the relation (29) we have

$$
\mu(\varepsilon)=\frac{1}{1-\mathrm{e}^{-2}}\left[\mathrm{e}^{-2}-\mathrm{e}^{-(4+2 \varepsilon)} ; \mathrm{e}^{-(4+2 \varepsilon)}-1\right]
$$

and from (30) or (33)

$$
v(n, \varepsilon)=\left[\frac{\mathrm{e}^{-(2+2 \varepsilon)}-1}{1-\mathrm{e}^{-2}}\left(\mathrm{e}^{n-1}+\mathrm{e}^{-(n+1)}\right) ; \mathrm{e}^{n+2}+\mathrm{e}^{-(n+2+2 \varepsilon)}\right]
$$

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