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Abstract

Let G be a connected Lie group with Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . In this work, we deal with the observability of a general linear pair (X, π_K) on G . By definition the vector field X belongs to the normalizer of \mathfrak{g} related to the Lie algebra of all smooth vector fields on G . K is a closed Lie subgroup of G and π_K is the canonical projection from G onto the homogeneous space G/K . We compute the Lie algebra of the equivalence class of the identity element and characterize local and global observability of (X, π_k) . We extend the well known observability rank condition for linear control systems on \mathbb{R}^n and also the work about observability of linear pairs appear in [2].

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φ1 Preliminaires

Let G be a connected Lie group of dimension n with Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . Here we consider \mathfrak{g} as the set of left invariant vector fields on G . Denote by $X(G)$ the Lie algebra of all smooth vector fields on G and by $\text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g})$ the normalizer of \mathfrak{g} related to the Lie algebra $X(G)$. In other words,

$$\text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g}) = \{X \in X(G) \mid ad(X)(Y) = [X, Y] \in \mathfrak{g}, \text{ for all } Y \in \mathfrak{g}\}$$

In [1], the authors generalize the notion of Linear Control Systems from \mathbb{R}^n to an arbitrary connected Lie group G . Related to the observability property of this class of systems, the authors in [2] introduce the notion of linear pair. Our interest in this work is to generalize this notion in a natural way and to obtain more general results for general linear pairs where the dynamic is given by a vector field in the normalizer. In fact, we extend all the results appear in [2].

So, let us start with the definition of this notion:

Definition 1.1 A general linear pair (X, π_K) on G is determined by $X \in \text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g})$ and by a closed Lie subgroup K of G .

Remarks 1.2

1. Just observe that K induces a well defined homogeneous space K/G and also a canonical projection output map $\pi_K : G \rightarrow K/G$.

2. Definition 1.1 extends:

a) The classical pair (A, C) induced by a linear control system Σ on \mathbb{R}^n

In fact, this class of control systems on \mathbb{R}^n is defined by

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t), \quad \text{and} \quad h(x(t)) = Cx(t) \in \mathbb{R}^s$$

where $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for every $t \in \mathbb{R}$. And A, B and C are matrices of appropriate orders, [4]. It is well known that in order to study the observability property of Σ the pair (A, C) contains all the information, [3]. We identify the matrix C with the canonical projection

$$\pi_{\text{Ker}(C)} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n / \text{Ker}(C).$$

Of course, $K = \text{Ker}(C)$ is a closed subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . And, the matrix $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ belongs to $\text{norm}_{X(\mathbb{R}^n)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$. In fact, the Lie algebra of \mathbb{R}^n is the own \mathbb{R}^n and a simple computation shows that $[Ax, b] = -Ab$, for each invariant vector field b on \mathbb{R}^n . Actually, $\text{norm}_{X(\mathbb{R}^n)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is isomorphic to the semidirect product of Lie algebras $\mathbb{R}^n \otimes M_n(\mathbb{R})$, (see Theorem 1.3 in the following). In particular, (A, C) is a general linear pair defined on the simply conneted Abelian Lie group \mathbb{R}^n . We also appoint that for every admissible constant control u the associated vector field X^u of Σ defined by $X^u(x) = Bu + Ax$ belongs to the $\text{norm}_{X(\mathbb{R}^n)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

b) The notion of linear pairs (X, h) on a connected Lie group G .

In [2], the authors introduce the notion of linear pairs. By definition, (X, h) is given by the infinitesimal automorphism X on G , i.e., the flow $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ induced by the vector field X is a one parameter subgroup of $\text{Aut}(G)$. And the output map h is a Lie group homomorphism from G to any Lie group V . It follows that $X \in \text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g})$. A simple proof is given as follows. Let us denote by e the identity element of G and by L_x and R_x the left and right translations by x on G , respectively. Pick any left invariant vector field $Y \in \mathfrak{g}$. Since $X_t(e) = e$ for each $t \in \mathbb{R}$, we have:

$$[X, Y](e) = -\left(\frac{d}{ds}\right)_{s=0} X_{\exp(sY)}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} [X, Y](x) &= \left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)_{t=0} d(X_{-t})(Y_{X_t(x)}) = \left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)_{t=0} \left(\frac{d}{ds}\right)_{s=0} X_{-t} \circ Y_s \circ X_t(x) \\ &= \left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)_{t=0} \left(\frac{d}{ds}\right)_{s=0} L_x \circ X_{-t}(\text{exp} Y) = -\left(\frac{d}{ds}\right)_{s=0} d(L_x) X_{\text{exp}(sY)} \end{aligned}$$

So, $[X, Y](x) = d(L_x)[X, Y](e)$, and $ad(X)(Y) \in \mathfrak{g}$, for each $Y \in \mathfrak{g}$. Therefore, $X \in \text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g})$. If we denote by K the kernel of h and consider the canonical map $\pi_K : G \rightarrow G/K \cong \text{Im}(h) \subset V$, we get that (X, π_K) is also a general linear pair.

Denote by $\text{Aut}(G)$ the Lie group of all automorphisms of G and by $\text{aut}(G)$ its Lie algebra and by $\partial\mathfrak{g}$ the Lie algebra of all \mathfrak{g} -derivations, i.e., the elements D of $\text{End}(\mathfrak{g})$ such that,

$$D([Y^1, Y^2]) = [D(Y^1), Y^2] + [Y^1, D(Y^2)], \forall Y^1, Y^2 \in \mathfrak{g}.$$

We conclude this Section with a characterization of $\text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g})$ which will be used to define our dynamic. In [1], the authors prove the following result :

Theorem 1.3 Let G be a connected Lie group. Then,

$$\text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g}) \cong \mathfrak{g} \otimes \text{aut}(G).$$

If G is also simply connected, then $\text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g}) \cong \mathfrak{g} \otimes \partial\mathfrak{g}$.

Just observe that $\text{aut}(G) \subset \partial\mathfrak{g}$. So, in the simply connected case the isomorphism is onto $\partial\mathfrak{g}$. We shall consider general linear pairs of the form (X, π_K) where the dynamic is determined by the vector field X such that:

$$X = X^1 + X^2 \in \mathfrak{g} \otimes \text{aut}(G), \text{ i.e., } X^1 \in \mathfrak{g} \quad \text{and} \quad ad(X^2) \in \text{aut}(G).$$

Finally, let us establish the solution of X for any arbitrary initial condition $x \in G$. The authors had been proved in [1] the following :

Theorem 1.4 Each vector field $X \in \text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g})$ is complete and its flow is given by

$$X_t(x) = X_t^2(x) \text{exp} \zeta(t) \tag{1}$$

where $\zeta(t)$ is a differentiable curve in \mathfrak{g} . Actually, Jacobi identity yields that $ad(X^2) \in \partial\mathfrak{g}$, and they show that :

$$\zeta(t) = \sum_{k \geq 1} (-1)^{k+1} t^k d_k(X^1, ad(X^2)), \tag{2}$$

where $d_1(X) = X^1$, $d_2(X) = \frac{1}{2} [X^2, X^1]$,

$$d_3(X) = \frac{1}{12} [X^1, [X^2, X^1]] + \frac{1}{6} [X^2, [X^2, X^1]].$$

In general, for each $k \geq 1$, d_k is a homogeneous polynomial map of degree k from the semidirect product $\mathfrak{g} \otimes \partial\mathfrak{g}$ into \mathfrak{g} .

In order to characterize local and global observability properties of general linear pairs we shall use the global form of the solution established in (1), for any X in the normalizer.

ϕ2.Observability

First of all we recall the notion of observability. So, let us start with the following one:

Definition 2.1 The general linear pair (X, π_K) is said to be :

i) *observable* at x_1 , if for all $x_2 \in G$, $x_1 \neq x_2$ there exist $t \geq 0$ such that

$$\pi_K(X_t(x_1)) \neq \pi_K(X_t(x_2))$$

ii) *locally observable* at x_1 , if there exists a neighborhood of x_1 such that the condition (i) is satisfied for each x_2 in the neighborhood.

iii) *observable (locally observable)* if it is observable (locally observable) at every $x \in G$.

We note that $X_t^2 \in \text{Aut}(G), \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$. For any $x_1, x_2 \in G$, let us define \sim by :

$$x_1 \sim x_2 \Leftrightarrow \pi_K(X_t(x_1)) = \pi_K(X_t(x_2)), \forall t \geq 0.$$

Then, \sim is an equivalence relation. From (1) we get,

$$x_1 \sim x_2 \Leftrightarrow X_t^2(x_1)\text{exp}\zeta(t)K = X_t^2(x_2)\text{exp}\zeta(t)K, \forall t \geq 0.$$

So, for any $x_1, x_2 \in G$ we obtain :

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 \sim x_2 &\Leftrightarrow i_{\text{exp}\zeta(t)}(X_t^2(x_2^{-1}x_1)) \in K, \forall t \geq 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow i_{(\text{exp}\zeta(t))^{-1}}(X_t^2(x_1^{-1}x_2)) \in K, \forall t \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $i_x : G \rightarrow G$ is the usual inner automorphism given by conjugation.

Fix $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and denote $\varphi_t = i_{\text{exp}\zeta(t)} \circ X_t^2$, $\tilde{\varphi}_t = i_{(\text{exp}\zeta(t))^{-1}} \circ X_t^2$ and by I the equivalence class of e . It follows that :

Proposition 2.2 Let (X, π_K) be a general linear pair. Then, I is the largest $(\varphi_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ -invariant closed Lie subgroup of G contained in K . Furthermore, for any $x \in G$ the equivalence class \tilde{x} of x is given by left translation.

Proof. From Definition 2.1, it is clear that

$$I = \{x \in G \mid \varphi_t(x) \in K, \forall t \geq 0\}.$$

For each $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $\varphi_t \in \text{Aut}(G)$. It follows that I is a subgroup of K . Since K is a closed subgroup of G standard continuity arguments shows that I is also a closed set. In particular, I is Lie subgroup of G , [5]. On the other hand, I is φ_t -invariant for every non negative t . From standard analytical arguments we get the $(\varphi_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ -invariance of I . In particular,

$$I = \{x \in G \mid \varphi_t(x) \in K, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Moreover, for each $x \in G$, $\tilde{x} = xI$. Indeed, $x_2 \sim x_1 \Leftrightarrow x^{-1}x_2 \in I \Leftrightarrow x_2 \in x_1I$.

In order to be able to compute the Lie algebra of I , we need the following one:

Lemma 2.3 Let (X, π_K) be a general linear pair on G . Then,

1. There exists $Z \in \text{aut}(G)$ and a right invariant vector field Y on G with $X = Z + Y$.
2. The linear transformations $\text{ad}(Z)$ and $\text{ad}(X)$ defined on $X(G)$ agree on \mathfrak{g} .

3. $ad(Z) \in \partial \mathfrak{g}$ is a derivation such that for every $U \in \mathfrak{g}$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\tilde{\varphi}_t(\exp U) = \exp(e^{tad(Z)}U)$$

Proof. 1. As we know the flow $(\varphi_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \subset Aut(G)$. On the other hand,

$$\tilde{\varphi}_t = L_{(\exp \zeta(t))^{-1}} \circ X_t, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

For each $x \in G$,

$$\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)_t \tilde{\varphi}_t(x) = d(L_{\exp^{-1} \zeta(t)})_{X_t(x)}(X_{X_t(x)}) + d(R_{X_t(x)})_{\exp^{-1} \zeta(t)}\left(\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)_t(\exp^{-1}(\zeta(t)))\right).$$

Thus, the one parameter group $\tilde{\varphi}_t \in Aut(G)$ induced a well defined vector field $Z \in aut(G)$, such that , for every $x \in G$, $Z_x = X_x - (dR_x)_e(X^1)$. In fact, from (2), we get

$$\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)_{t=0}(\exp^{-1}(\zeta(t))) = -X^1.$$

So, $Y = (dR_x)_e(X^1)$ is a right invariant vector field with $X = Z + Y$.

2. The map $X \mapsto ad(X)_\mathfrak{g}$ is a Lie algebra homomorphism of $\text{norm}_{X(G)}(\mathfrak{g})$ into the derivation algebra $\partial \mathfrak{g}$ of \mathfrak{g} . The kernel of this homomorphism is the centralizer $Z(\mathfrak{g})$ of \mathfrak{g} in $X(G)$, i.e., the set of all vector fields on G commuting with each element of \mathfrak{g} . In order to prove the assertion we compute the bracket $[Y, U]$ for each $U \in \mathfrak{g}$. By definition, [5],

$$[Y, U]_x = \left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)_{t=0+} \gamma(\sqrt{t}), \quad \text{where, } \gamma(s) = Y_{-s} \circ U_{-s} \circ Y_s \circ U_s(x).$$

Since, we consider U as a left invariant vector field we get $\gamma(s) = x$, for each $s \in \mathbb{R}$. Consequently, we have seen that $Y \in Z(\mathfrak{g})$. Thus, the proof is complete, because $[Y, U] = 0$.

3. Since $\tilde{\varphi}_t \in Aut(G)$ and $\tilde{\varphi}_t(e) = e, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, the flow $(d(\tilde{\varphi}_t)_e)_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \subset Aut(\mathfrak{g})$ is a linear flow. From the standard Lie series expansion we have

$$d(\tilde{\varphi}_t)_e = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^i}{k!} ad^i(Z) = e^{tad(Z)}.$$

By standard commutative diagrams involving the exponential map a homomorphism and its derivative the proof of the lemma is complete.

Let us denote by \mathcal{I} the Lie algebra of the equivalent class I of the identity element and by \mathcal{K} the Lie algebra of K . The following theorem establishes an algebraic characterization of \mathcal{I} .

Theorem 2.4 Let (X, π_K) be a general linear pair on G . Then, \mathcal{I} is the largest $ad(X)$ -invariant subalgebra of \mathfrak{g} contained in \mathcal{K} .

Proof. From Proposition 2.2, the Lie subgroup I is $(\varphi_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ -invariant. It follows that I is also $(\tilde{\varphi}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ -invariant. Since the one parameter subgroup $(\tilde{\varphi}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ defines the vector field Z , it is clear that \mathcal{I} is $ad(Z)$ -invariant. From Lemma 2.3 we obtain that \mathcal{I} is also $ad(X)$ -invariant, i.e., the map $ad(X) : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}$ is well defined. So, for each $i \geq 0$, $ad^i(X)(\mathcal{I}) \subset \mathcal{K}$, where $ad^0(X) = Id$. Actually, we are able to prove that

$$\mathcal{I} = \bigcap_{i \geq 0} ad^{-i}(X)(\mathcal{K}).$$

In fact, fix an element $U \in \cap_{i \geq 0} ad^{-i}(X)(\mathcal{K})$, then $ad^i(X)(U) \in \mathcal{K}$, for each $i \geq 0$. Then, for every $t, s \in \mathbb{R}$ we have:

$$d(\tilde{\varphi}_t)(sU) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^i}{i!} ad^i(X)(sU).$$

By hypothesis, $d(\tilde{\varphi}_t)(sU) \in \mathcal{K}$. Therefore, $(\frac{d}{dt})_{t=0} \tilde{\varphi}_t(\exp(sU)) \in \mathcal{K}$. Thus, for $t, s \in \mathbb{R}$, $\tilde{\varphi}_t(\exp(sU))$ and $\varphi_t(\exp(sU)) \in K$. As a matter of fact, Proposition 2.2 shows that $\exp(sU) \in I$. In particular, $U \in I$ as we want to prove. Finally, if $K = \{e\}$ we get $\mathcal{I} = \{0\}$. On the other hand, if $K \neq \{e\}$ we obtain that at most in $n - 1$ $ad(X)$ -steps we should reach the Lie algebra \mathcal{I} . This yields that the real face of \mathcal{I} is:

$$\mathcal{I} = \bigcap_{i=0}^{n-1} ad^{-i}(X)(\mathcal{K}).$$

Remarks 2.5 Let (X, π_K) a general linear pair on G . Proposition 2.2 shows that:

1. (X, π_K) is observable if and only if I is trivial.
2. For any $x \in G$, the tangent space at any point y of the equivalence class \tilde{x} is also given by left translation, i.e., $T_y \tilde{x} = dL_y(\mathcal{I})$.

An immediate consequence of it is the following :

Corollary 2.6 Let (X, π_K) a general linear pair on G . Therefore,

(X, π_K) is locally observable if and only if \mathcal{I} is trivial.

Proof. $\mathcal{I} = \{0\} \Leftrightarrow I$ is discrete.

Remark 2.7

1. Let (A, C) be a linear pair induced by a linear control system Σ on \mathbb{R}^n . For this set, Corollary 2.6 also determines global observability. In fact, in this case $I = \mathcal{I}$. In particular, Theorem 2.4 give us the well known formula

$$\tilde{0} = \bigcap_{i=0}^{n-1} Ker(CA^i)$$

In fact, as we know $\tilde{0}$ is the largest A -invariant subspace of \mathbb{R}^n contained in $Ker(C)$.

2. As showed in [2], local and global observability are independent notions for linear pairs (X, h) where $X = 0 + X^2 \in \mathfrak{g} \otimes aut(G)$ and h is a Lie group homomorphism output map. So, for a general linear pair given by $X = X^1 + X^2 \in \mathfrak{g} \otimes aut(G)$ we must expect the same.

Lemma 2.3 yields the existence of a vector field $Z \in aut(G)$ and a right invariant vector field Y on G such that $X = Z + Y$ and $ad(Z)$ and $ad(X)$ agree on \mathfrak{g} . Let us denote by $S(Z)$ the set of the singularities of Z , i.e., $S(Z) = \{x \in G : Z_x = 0\}$.

The following result illustrates necessary and sufficient conditions for global observability.

Theorem 2.8 A general linear pair (X, π_K) on G is observable if and only if

- i) (X, π_K) is locally observable
- ii) $S(Z) \cap K = \{e\}$

Proof. Of course, the locally observable property is a necessary condition to the global one. If $x \in S(Z) \cap K$ it follows immediately that $\tilde{\varphi}_t(x) \in K$ for every $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Thus, $x \in I$. Conversely, we shall show that the property of being observable is a necessary condition. Assume

I is discrete and fix $x \in I \subset K$. As we proved, I is $(\tilde{\varphi}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ -invariant thus by continuity arguments, $\tilde{\varphi}_t(x) = x$, for each $t \in \mathbb{R}$. So, $x \in S(Z)$. By hypothesis, we get $x = e$. It follows that (X, π_K) is observable.

Remark 2.9 Let G be a connected Lie group such that the exponential map $\exp : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow G$ is a global diffeomorphism. For instance, it happens if G is a simply connected nilpotent Lie group. By Lemma 2.3, $\tilde{\varphi}_t(x) = \exp(e^{tad(Z)} \log x)$, for every $x \in G$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Here, \log denotes the inverse map of \exp . So,

$$Z_x = 0 \Leftrightarrow \log x \in \text{Ker}(ad(Z))$$

Therefore, in this situation Theorem 2.8 implies that locally and globally observability properties are equivalent. In fact, the only one discrete vector subspace of \mathfrak{g} is the trivial one. As a matter of fact, in this case the observability property of a general linear pair (X, π_K) on G reduces to a test at the algebra level.

3. Algorithm and Examples

In order to compute the Lie algebra \mathcal{I} it is also suitable to use a general algorithm proved by Isidori in [3]. In fact, from this result and starting with the Lie algebra \mathcal{K} it is possible to construct a finite sequence of left invariant subspaces of the dual space \mathfrak{g}^* convergent to \mathcal{I}^* , (see [2] for details).

Algorithm

Consider a general linear pair (X, π_K) on G and the following steps:

1. Choose a basis $\mathcal{B} = \{Y^1, \dots, Y^l\}$ to the Lie subalgebra \mathcal{K} ,
2. Find the \mathcal{B} -dual basis $\mathcal{B}^* = \{w_1, \dots, w_{n-l}\}$,
3. Find the $ad(X)(\mathcal{B}^*)$ -associated basis to \mathcal{I}^* , i.e.,

$$ad(X)(\mathcal{B}^*) = \{ad^i(X)(w_j) \mid 0 \leq i, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n-l\},$$

$$ad^0(X) = Id., ad(X)(w) = -w \circ ad(X), ad^i(X)(w) = ad(X)(ad^{i-1}(X)(w)), i \geq 2.$$

Then, we have :

Proposition 3.1 Let (X, π_K) be a general linear pair. Therefore,

$$\mathcal{I} = (\text{Span}.ad(X)(\mathcal{B}^*))^*$$

Proof. It follows from Isidori theorem in [3] that

$$\text{Span}(ad(X)(\mathcal{B}^*)) = \mathcal{I}^*.$$

In the sequel, some examples.

Examples 3.2

Let us consider the simply connected and nilpotent Heisenberg Lie group G of dimension 3, such that $G = \mathbb{R}^3$ and $\mathfrak{g} = \mathbb{R}Y^1 + \mathbb{R}Y^2 + \mathbb{R}Y^3$ with the generators

$$Y^1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, Y^2 = x_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \quad \text{and} \quad Y^3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}.$$

Just observe that only the Lie bracket $[Y^3, Y^2] = Y^1$ is not null. The group operation is given by

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3)(y_1, y_2, y_3) =: (x_1 + y_1 + x_3 y_2, x_2 + y_2, x_3 + y_3).$$

Consider the vector field $X \in \mathfrak{g} \otimes \partial \mathfrak{g}$ defined by $X = X^1 + X^2$ where $X^1 = Y^2$ and X^2 is the vector field associated to the derivation

$$ad(X^2) = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \in \partial \mathfrak{g}.$$

Observe that the vector field Z of the Lemma 2.3 has the face:

$$Z = Y^2 + X^2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} = x_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + X^2.$$

We consider the followings general linear pairs:

i) (X, π_K) where K is the closed Lie subgroup with Lie algebra $\mathcal{K} = \text{Span}\{Y^1\}$. A simple computation shows that $ad(X)(Y^1) = -3Y^1 \in \mathcal{K}$. Thus, by Proposition 2.4, $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{K}$. Therefore, Corollary 2.6 implies that (X, π_K) is neither locally nor globally observable.

ii) (X, π_K) where K is the closed Lie subgroup with Lie algebra $\mathcal{K} = \text{Span}\{Y^2\}$. We have, $ad(X)(Y^2) = -Y^2 + Y^3 \notin \mathcal{K}$. In this case, Corollary 2.6 (and Remark 2.9) gives us that (X, π_K) is observable.

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