

# ELE6202E - Multivariable Systems

## Lecture 6: State Feedback

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# **1. Linear Feedback and Effects**

# Open-Loop System

A given system

$$\dot{x} = A(t)x + B(t)u, \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

$$y = C(t)x$$

is called **plant** or **open-loop system**.

- ▶ It may not behave appropriately in general (e.g. unstable, not fast, low precision, fragile).
- ▶  $\exists$  modeling uncertainties (e.g. uncertain parameters, linearization, neglected dynamics, and measurement noises).

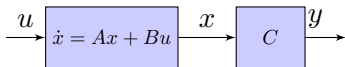


Figure 1: Open-loop

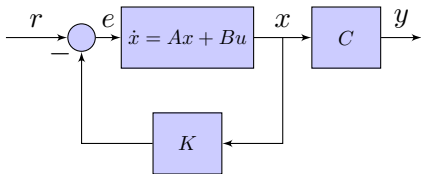


Figure 2: Closed-loop via Feedback

## Static State Feedback

We consider a **static** state feedback

$$u(t) = K(t)x(t) + r(t), \quad (1)$$

with  $r$  a new input variable. The matrix  $K$  should be chosen such that the closed-loop system  $r \mapsto x$ :

$$\dot{x} = [A(t) + B(t)K(t)]x + B(t)r \quad (2)$$

has desired properties.

- ▶ We call it “static” since the input  $u$  depends on  $r(t)$  and  $x(t)$  at that same time.
- ▶ The closed loop is still a linear system.
- ▶ Example: Given an unstable  $A(t)$ , we select  $K(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  to make  $(A + BK)$  stable. (**Stabilization**)

## **2. Controllability Decomposition**

## Decomposition into Controllable and Uncontrollable Parts

**Theorem 1** Suppose the pair  $(A, B)$  satisfies

$$\text{rank} [B \quad AB \quad \dots \quad A^{n-1}B] = q$$

with  $0 < q < n$ . Then,  $\exists$  an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $P$  such that

$$P^{-1}AP = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{A}_{11} & \hat{A}_{12} \\ 0_{(n-q) \times q} & \hat{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad P^{-1}B = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{B}_1 \\ 0_{(n-q) \times m} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\hat{A}_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times q}$ ,  $\hat{B}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times m}$ , and  $(\hat{A}_{11}, \hat{B}_1)$  is controllable.

## Proof

The coordinate change  $\tilde{x} = P^{-1}x$  makes

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu \rightarrow \dot{\tilde{x}} = \underbrace{P^{-1}AP}_{\hat{A}} \tilde{x} + \underbrace{P^{-1}B}_{\hat{B}} u. \quad (3)$$

1) **Construction of  $P$ :** Select  $q$  linearly independent vectors  $p_1, \dots, p_q$  from the controllability matrix. Then,  $\exists p_{q+1}, \dots, p_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.

$$P = [p_1 \quad \dots \quad p_q \quad p_{q+1} \quad \dots \quad p_n]$$

is invertible. Therefore, the  $j$ -th column of  $B$ , denoted as  $B_j$ , can be linearly represented by  $p_1, \dots, p_q$ .

The definition

$$\hat{B} := P^{-1}B := \begin{bmatrix} \hat{B}_1 \\ \hat{B}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

yields  $P\hat{B} = B$ . Thus,  $B_j$  can be linearly represented by  $P$ . Since  $P$  is full rank, it is necessary that  $\hat{B}_2 = 0$ .

2) From  $\hat{A} = P^{-1}AP$ , we have

$$P\hat{A} = [Ap_1 \quad \dots \quad Ap_n], \quad \text{with } \hat{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{A}_{11} & \hat{A}_{12} \\ \hat{A}_{21} & \hat{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$$

By decomposing  $P := [P_1 \ P_2]$ , we have

$$\begin{cases} P_1\hat{A}_{11} + P_2\hat{A}_{21} = AP_1 = [Ap_1 \quad \dots \quad Ap_q] \\ P_1\hat{A}_{12} + P_2\hat{A}_{22} = AP_2 \end{cases}$$

Each column of  $A^k B$  ( $k \geq 0$ ) is a linear combination of  $p_1, \dots, p_q$ , then  $Ap_1, \dots, Ap_q$  can be written as linear combinations of them. Hence,

$$\text{Im} (P_1\hat{A}_{11} + P_2\hat{A}_{21}) = \text{Im} (AP_1) = L\{p_1, \dots, p_q\} \implies \hat{A}_{21} = 0.$$

3) Multiply the matrix  $P^{-1}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & P^{-1} [ B \quad AB \quad \dots \quad A^{n-1}B ] \\ &= [ P^{-1}B \quad P^{-1}AB \quad \dots \quad P^{-1}A^{n-1}B ] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{B}_1 & \hat{A}_{11}\hat{B}_1 & \dots & \hat{A}_{11}^{n-1}\hat{B}_1 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The rank is preserved at each step, and applying again the Cayley-Hamilton theorem shows that

$$\text{rank} [ \hat{B}_1 \quad \hat{A}_{11}\hat{B}_1 \quad \dots \quad \hat{A}_{11}^{q-1}\hat{B}_1 ] = q.$$



## Remark

Writing the variable change as

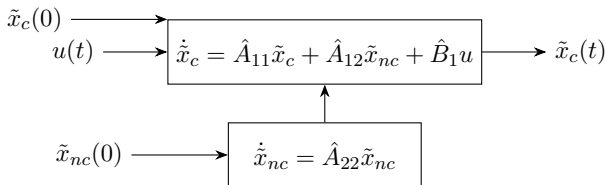
$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_c(t) \\ \tilde{x}_{nc}(t) \end{bmatrix} = P^{-1}x(t)$$

where the partition  $\tilde{x}_c(t)$  is  $q \times 1$ , yields the **decomposition**

$$\dot{\tilde{x}}_c(t) = \hat{A}_{11}\tilde{x}_c(t) + \hat{A}_{12}\tilde{x}_{nc}(t) + \hat{B}_1u(t)$$

$$\dot{\tilde{x}}_{nc}(t) = \hat{A}_{22}\tilde{x}_{nc}(t)$$

$\tilde{x}_{nc}(t)$  is not influenced by the input, thus not controllable.



### **3. Popov-Belevitch-Hautus Test**

## PBH Test for Controllability

**Theorem 2 (PBH Test)**  $(A, B)$  is completely controllable if and only if  $\text{rank} [A - \lambda I \quad B] = n$  for all eigenvalues  $\lambda$  of  $A$ .

### Proof

The statement is equivalent to:  $(A, B)$  is not controllable  $\iff$   $\text{rank}[A - \lambda I \quad B] < n$  for some eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $\text{rank}[A - \lambda I \quad B] < n$  for some eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , possibly complex. Thus,  $\exists x \in \mathbb{C}^n$  s.t.

$$x^*[A - \lambda I \quad B] = 0$$

where  $x^*$  is complex conjugate transpose of  $x$ . This results in

$$x^*A = \lambda x^*, \quad x^*B = 0$$

## cont'd.

Then

$$x^* AB = \lambda x^* B = 0$$

and

$$x^* A^k B = \lambda^k x^* B = 0.$$

Thus,  $x^*[B \ AB \ \dots \ A^{n-1}] = 0$ , and  $(A, B)$  is not controllable.

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Assume  $(A, B)$  is not controllable.  $\exists$  nonsingular  $V$  so that  $(V^{-1}AV, V^{-1}B) = (\tilde{A}, \tilde{B})$ , where

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{A}_{11} & \tilde{A}_{12} \\ 0 & \tilde{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{B}_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

with  $\tilde{A}_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times q}$  and  $\tilde{A}_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{n-q \times n-q}$ . Now note that for any  $\lambda$  an eigenvalue of  $\tilde{A}_{22}$ ,

$$\text{Rank}(\tilde{A}_{22} - \lambda I) < n - q$$

## cont'd.

Next observe that

$$\begin{aligned} V^{-1}[A - \lambda I \quad B] \begin{bmatrix} V & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} &= V^{-1}[AV - \lambda V \quad B] \\ &= [V^{-1}AV - \lambda I \quad V^{-1}B] \\ &= [\tilde{A} - \lambda I \quad \tilde{B}] \end{aligned}$$

Since  $V^{-1}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} V & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$  are both nonsingular,

$$\text{Rank}[\tilde{A} - \lambda I \quad \tilde{B}] = \text{Rank}[A - \lambda I \quad B] < n$$

for  $\lambda$  an eigenvalue of  $\tilde{A}_{22}$ . Finally, note that by the structure of  $\tilde{A}$ , an eigenvalue of  $\tilde{A}_{22}$  is an eigenvalue of  $\tilde{A}$ . Since a change of basis does not change the eigenvalues,  $\lambda$  is also an eigenvalue of  $A$ . This concludes the proof that  $(A, B)$  not controllable implies there exists an eigenvalue of  $A$ ,  $\lambda$ , such that  $\text{rank}[A - \lambda I \quad B] < n$ . ■

**Corollary 3**  $(A, B)$  is completely controllable if and only if  $\text{rank} [A - \lambda I \quad B] = n$  for  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .

For  $\lambda \notin \lambda(A)$ ,  $(A - \lambda I)$  is full rank. The above always holds.

## Controllability and Closed-Loop Stability

We will see that controllability of an LTI system is tightly related to our ability to place the eigenvalues of the closed-loop system matrix  $(A + BK)$  as desired.

**Theorem 4** Suppose the LTI pair  $(A, B)$  controllable. Let  $\mu > 0$ , then  $\exists$  a state feedback controller  $u = Kx$  s.t. the closed loop

$$\dot{x} = (A + BK)x$$

has all its eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  satisfying

$$\text{Re}(\lambda_i) \leq -\mu.$$

Note: The exact necessary and sufficient condition for assigning arbitrary closed-loop eigenvalues is controllability; stabilizability is enough if we only require the closed loop to be Hurwitz.

## Proof.

Since  $(A, B)$  is controllable, the eigenvalue assignment theorem proved below allows us to place the eigenvalues of  $A + BK$  at any conjugate-symmetric set of  $n$  complex numbers. Choose, for example,

$$\{-\mu - 1, -\mu - 2, \dots, -\mu - n\}.$$

Then every closed-loop eigenvalue satisfies  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) \leq -\mu$ . ■

## **4. Canonical Forms for Controllable Systems**

We need to find  $K$  such that the system matrix  $A + BK$  has the desired eigenvalues. First, we consider the **SISO** case ( $m = 1$ ).

**Proposition 1** *There exists a nonsingular matrix  $T$  such that*

$$\tilde{A} = T^{-1}AT = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ -\alpha_n & \cdots & \cdots & -\alpha_1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \tilde{b} = T^{-1}b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\iff (A, b)$  is completely controllable.

(4)

This form  $(\tilde{A}, \tilde{b})$  is called **the controllability Canonical Form**.

## Proof

( $\Rightarrow$ ) If  $\tilde{A}$  and  $\tilde{b}$  are given as in Eq. (4), then

$$\tilde{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{A}\tilde{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -\alpha_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{A}^2\tilde{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ -\alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 + \alpha_1^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \dots$$

Therefore  $[\tilde{b} \ \tilde{A}\tilde{b} \ \dots \ \tilde{A}^{n-1}\tilde{b}]$  is full rank. Invoking coordinate changes do not change the controllability, and thus  $(A, b)$  is CC.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) We prove by constructing  $T$ . Since we want  $\tilde{b} = T^{-1}b = e_n$ , we select  $Te_n = b$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A}e_n = e_{n-1} - \alpha_1 e_n &\implies e_{n-1} = \tilde{A}e_n + \alpha_1 e_n \\ &= (T^{-1}AT)(T^{-1}b) + \alpha_1 T^{-1}b \\ &= T^{-1}(Ab + \alpha_1 b), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{A}e_{n-1} &= e_{n-2} - \alpha_2 e_n \implies \\ e_{n-2} &= \tilde{A}e_{n-1} + \alpha_2 e_n = (T^{-1}AT)T^{-1}(Ab + \alpha_1 b) + \alpha_2 T^{-1}b \\ &= T^{-1}(A^2b + \alpha_1 Ab + \alpha_2 b).\end{aligned}$$

Proceeding until  $\tilde{A}e_1$ , we have

$$I = [e_1 \ e_2 \ \cdots \ e_n] = T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} b & Ab & \cdots & A^{n-1}b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{n-1} & \alpha_{n-2} & \cdots & \alpha_1 & 1 \\ \alpha_{n-2} & \cdots & \alpha_1 & 1 & \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \\ \alpha_1 & 1 & & & \\ 1 & & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

Because  $(A, b)$  is controllable and thus  $[b \ Ab \ \cdots \ A^{n-1}b]$  is full rank, we can obtain  $T$  as a nonsingular matrix:

$$T = [b \ Ab \ \cdots \ A^{n-1}b] \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{n-1} & \alpha_{n-2} & \cdots & \alpha_1 & 1 \\ \alpha_{n-2} & \cdots & \alpha_1 & 1 & \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \\ \alpha_1 & & & 1 & \\ 1 & & & & \end{bmatrix}.$$

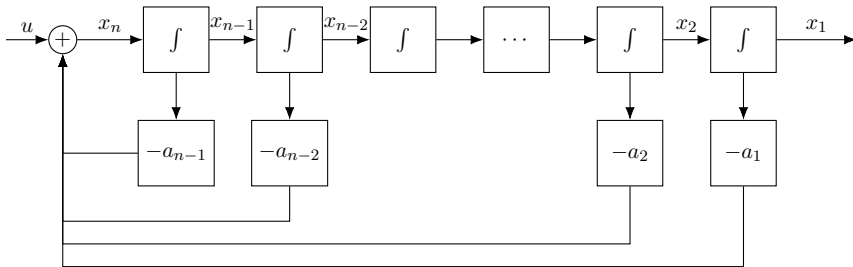


Note: The column vectors of  $T$  can be recursively defined by

$$\begin{cases} T_n = b \\ T_k = a_k b + AT_{k+1}, \quad (k = 1, \dots, n-1) \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

with  $\det(sI - A) =: s^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_1s + a_0$ .

# Schematics of the Canonical Form



## Example 1

Consider the pair  $(A, B)$  with

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

which is completely controllable but not in the canonical form.

Solution. The characteristic polynomial:  $\det(sI - A) = s^3 - s$ . Then

$$T_3 = b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T_2 = 0 \cdot b + Ab = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T_1 = -1 \cdot b + AT_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The matrix  $T$  is

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 5 (Eigenvalue Assignment)** Assume  $(A, B)$  is controllable, with  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ . Let  $\Lambda := \{\lambda'_1, \dots, \lambda'_n\}$  be any set of complex numbers (desired eigenvalues), s.t.  $\forall \lambda' \in \Lambda$ ,  $\lambda'^* \in \Lambda$  (complex conjugate pairs or real). Then,  $\exists K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  s.t.

$$\lambda(A + BK) = \Lambda.$$

For single input case ( $m = 1$ ), the target is equivalent to

$$\det(sI - (A + bK)) = \prod_{i=1}^n (s - \lambda'_i) = s^n + a'_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a'_0.$$

The canonical form is

$$\tilde{A} + \tilde{b}\tilde{K} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & 0 & 1 \\ -a'_0 & \cdots & \cdots & -a'_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

## **5. Eigenvalue Assignment and Stabilizability**

**Theorem 6 (Eigenvalue Assignment)** Given  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $\exists K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  s.t. the  $n$  eigenvalues of  $A + BK$  can be assigned to arbitrary, real or complex conjugate, locations iff  $(A, B)$  is controllable.

## Proof

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $\lambda(A + BK)$  have been arbitrarily assigned and that  $(A, B)$  is not controllable. This would lead to a contradiction. Since  $(A, B)$  is uncontrollable,  $\exists Q$  that will separate the controllable part from the uncontrollable part.

$$\begin{aligned} Q^{-1}(A + BK)Q &= Q^{-1}AQ + (Q^{-1}B)(KQ) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} [K_1, K_2] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} A_1 + B_1K_1 & A_{12} + B_1K_2 \\ 0 & A_2 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

where  $[K_1, K_2] := KQ$  and  $(A_1, B_1)$  is controllable.

### cont'd.

The coordinate transformation does not change eigenvalues, i.e.

$$\lambda(A + BK) = \lambda(Q^{-1}(A + BK)Q).$$

However, we cannot change the eigenvalues in the  $A_2$ -part. This contradicts to the arbitrarily assigned eigenvalues of  $A + BK$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $(A, B)$  be fully controllable. Then by using any of the eigenvalue assignment algorithms presented later in this section, all the eigenvalues of  $A + BK$  can be arbitrarily assigned. ■

## Stabilizability

**Definition 7** A pair  $(A, B)$  (or the system  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ ) is **stabilizable** if for every initial condition  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , there exists an input  $u(\cdot)$  s.t.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} X(t; t_0, x_0) = 0.$$

**Corollary 8** The pair  $(A, B)$  is stabilizable if and only if it admits controllable decomposition

$$\tilde{A} = V^{-1}AV = \begin{bmatrix} A_c & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_u \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

has  $A_u$  either non-existence or Hurwitz.

- ▶  $(A, B)$  is stabilizable **iff** the non-controllable modes are stable.
- ▶ Controllability  $\implies$  stabilizability.

## Example 2

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 12 & -12 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad ; \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (A, b) \text{ cc and } A \text{ is unstable}$$

Using the classical convention  $u = -kx$ , if  $\lambda_1^d = -1$ ;  $\lambda_{2,3}^d = -1 \pm j$ , then  $\chi_d(s) = (s - \lambda_1^d)(s - \lambda_2^d)(s - \lambda_3^d) = s^3 + 3s^2 + 4s + 2$ . The question is  $\exists k$  s.t.  $\chi_{A-bk}(s) = \chi_d(s)$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} A - b\tilde{k} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 12 & -12 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [\tilde{k}_1 \quad \tilde{k}_2 \quad \tilde{k}_3] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 12 - \tilde{k}_1 & -12 - \tilde{k}_2 & 5 - \tilde{k}_3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The desired closed-loop canonical form is obtained with  $k = [14, -8, 8]^T$ .

## **6. Canonical Form for MIMO Systems**

## Controllability Index

To construct the corresponding controller form when we have multiple inputs ( $m > 1$ ) we need the following.

**Definition 9** Let  $B = [B_1 \ \dots \ B_m]$ . For  $j = 1, \dots, m$ , the **controllability index**  $\rho_j$  is the smallest integer such that  $A^{\rho_j} B_j$  is linearly dependent on the column vectors occurring to the left of it in the controllability matrix

$$[B \ AB \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B].$$

## Notation for Controller Form

Given a pair  $(A, B)$ , with controllability indices  $\rho_1, \dots, \rho_m$ , define

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 \\ \vdots \\ M_n \end{bmatrix} := [B_1 \ AB_1 \ \dots \ A^{\rho_1-1}B_1 \ \dots \ B_m \ \dots \ A^{\rho_m-1}B_m]^{-1}$$

and the transformation matrix

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ \vdots \\ P_m \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_i = \begin{bmatrix} M_{\rho_1+\dots+\rho_i} \\ M_{\rho_1+\dots+\rho_i}A \\ \vdots \\ M_{\rho_1+\dots+\rho_i}A^{\rho_i-1}. \end{bmatrix}$$

## Controllability Canonical Form for MIMO Systems

Suppose that  $(A, B)$  is controllable,  $\text{rank}(B) = m$ , and  $\rho_1 + \cdots + \rho_m = n$ . The transformation  $\tilde{x} = Px$  constructed previously gives

$$\tilde{A} = PAP^{-1} = A_0 + B_0F, \quad \tilde{B} = PB = B_0R,$$

where  $F \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , and

$$A_0 = \begin{bmatrix} J_{\rho_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & J_{\rho_2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & J_{\rho_m} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_0 = \begin{bmatrix} e_{\rho_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & e_{\rho_2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & e_{\rho_m} \end{bmatrix},$$

with

$$J_r = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{(r-1) \times 1} & I_{r-1} \\ 0 & 0_{1 \times (r-1)} \end{bmatrix}, \quad e_r = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{r-1} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus, the arbitrary entries of  $\tilde{A}$  occur only in the last row of each block row.

## Input Matrix and Brunovský Form

- ▶  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  is nonsingular and upper triangular with unit diagonal:

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \star & \star \\ 0 & \ddots & \star \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Consequently,

$$\boxed{\tilde{B} = B_0 R}$$

and, in general,  $\tilde{B} \neq B_0$ .

- ▶ The transformed system is therefore

$$\dot{\tilde{x}} = (A_0 + B_0 F)\tilde{x} + B_0 R u.$$

- ▶ Introducing the feedback and input transformation

$$v = F\tilde{x} + R u,$$

gives the **Brunovský form**

$$\boxed{\dot{\tilde{x}} = A_0 \tilde{x} + B_0 v.}$$

## Brunovsky Form

$$A_0 = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|ccc|ccc} 0 & 1 & & 0 & 0 & & 0 & 0 & & 0 \\ & & \ddots & & & & & & & \\ & 0 & & & & & & & & \\ & & & \ddots & & & & & & \\ & & & & 1 & & & & & \\ \color{red}{0} & \dots & \dots & \color{red}{0} & \color{red}{0} & \dots & \dots & \color{red}{0} & \color{red}{0} & \dots & \dots & \color{red}{0} \\ \hline & & & & 0 & 1 & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \ddots & & & & & \\ & & & & \color{red}{0} & \dots & \dots & \color{red}{0} & & & & \\ \hline & & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & & \\ & & & & & & & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & & & & & & & \ddots & \\ \color{red}{0} & \dots & \dots & \color{red}{0} & \color{red}{0} & \dots & \dots & \color{red}{0} & \color{red}{0} & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & \color{red}{0} \end{array} \right] \cdot$$

$$B_0 = \text{diag}(e_{\rho_1}, e_{\rho_2}, \dots, e_{\rho_m}), \quad e_{\rho_i} = [0 \ \dots \ 0 \ 1]^\top.$$

The Brunovsky form leads to decoupled subsystems:  $y_i^{(k_i)} = u_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ . This form can be used to design controllers easily.

### Example 3: Stabilizing an Inverted Pendulum

- ▶ Consider a torque-controlled pendulum linearized about its upright equilibrium:

$$m\ell^2\ddot{\theta} + b\dot{\theta} - mgl\theta = u.$$

- ▶ Let  $m = \ell = 1$ ,  $b = 0.5$ ,  $g = 9.81$ ,  $x = \text{col}(\theta, \dot{\theta})$ . Then

$$\dot{x} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 9.81 & -0.5 \end{bmatrix}}_A x + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B u.$$

- ▶ The open-loop poles are  $\lambda(A) = \{2.89, -3.39\}$ , so the upright equilibrium is unstable. Two poles can be assigned arbitrarily as

$$\text{rank} [B \quad AB] = \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -0.5 \end{bmatrix} = 2.$$

- ▶ A reasonable design target is  $\zeta \approx 0.7$ ,  $T_s \approx 2$  s, which suggests the desired poles  $p_{1,2} = -2 \pm 2j$ .

## Assigning the Poles

- ▶ Let  $u = Kx$ ,  $K = [k_1 \quad k_2]$ . The closed-loop matrix is

$$A + BK = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 9.81 + k_1 & -0.5 + k_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The desired characteristic polynomial is  
 $(s + 2 - 2j)(s + 2 + 2j) = s^2 + 4s + 8$ .

- ▶ On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \det(sI - (A + BK)) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 \\ -(9.81 + k_1) & s + 0.5 - k_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= s^2 + (0.5 - k_2)s - (9.81 + k_1). \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Matching coefficients gives  $0.5 - k_2 = 4$ ,  $-(9.81 + k_1) = 8$ , thus

$$K = [-17.81 \quad -3.50].$$

Thus, the feedback law  $u = -17.81\theta - 3.50\dot{\theta}$  locally stabilizes the pendulum around its upright equilibrium.

## Simulation Results

Consider the linearized inverted pendulum

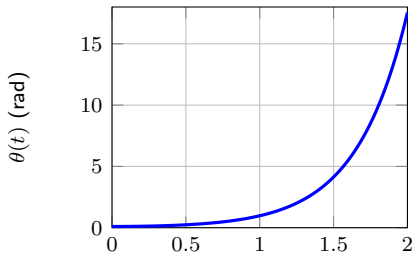
$$\dot{x} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 9.81 & -0.5 \end{bmatrix}}_A x + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B u, \quad x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We use the controller  $u = Kx$ ,  $K = [-17.81 \quad -3.50]$ .

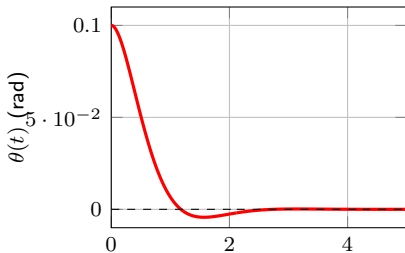
**Open loop:**  $u = 0$

**Closed loop:**  $u = Kx$

$$\lambda(A) = \{2.89, -3.39\}$$



$$\lambda(A + BK) = \{-2 \pm 2j\}$$



## Ready to Go Beyond Pole Placement?

Eigenvalue assignment gives us stabilizing controllers. But stabilization is only the beginning.

▶ **Robust Control**

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▶ **Adaptive Control**

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▶ **Optimal Control**

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▶ **Nonlinear Control**

*ELE6204 Commande des systèmes non linéaires*

▶ **Stochastic Control**

*ELE6215 Commande stochastique et filtrage*

▶ **Model Predictive Control**

Stabilization is the first victory. Performance is the real game.

## Sources and Further Reading

- ▶ **State feedback and controllability decomposition:** primarily on Rugh, (Callier and Desoer), and (Antsaklis and Michel).
- ▶ **PBH test and stabilizability:** (Antsaklis and Michel) and Hespanha.
- ▶ **Controllability canonical form:** The construction of the SISO controllability canonical form and its use in state-feedback design draw mainly on Rugh, (Callier and Desoer), and Hespanha.
- ▶ **Eigenvalue assignment:** The pole-placement theorem and the relation among controllability, arbitrary eigenvalue assignment, and closed-loop stabilization follow standard results in Rugh and (Antsaklis and Michel).
- ▶ **MIMO controller and Brunovský forms:** The treatment using controllability indices, input transformations, and chains of integrators follows Rugh, particularly Sec. 13.9.

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