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## CONTROLLABILITY

A System is said to be controllable if for any value of  $T$ ,  $x_0$ , and  $x_d$  there exists a control input  $u(t)$ ;  $0 \leq t \leq T$  to move the system from  $x(0) = x_0$  to  $x(T) = x_d$ .

i.e.

given the linear system.

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

$$x(0) = x_0$$

$$x_d = x(T) = e^{AT} x_0 + \int_0^T e^{A(T-\tau)} B u(\tau) d\tau.$$

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When is a linear system controllable?

FACT: Kalman's Controllability Test - Single input case:

A system of the form  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$  is controllable (i.e. a controller can be found to transfer the ~~system~~ state of the system from any initial state to any final state).

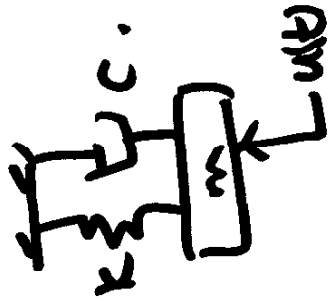
if  $\det(C_n) \neq 0$  where

$$C_n = [B \ AB \ A^2B \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B].$$

where  $n \equiv$  no. of state variables  
 $C_n$  is called the controllability matrix.

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Example: Consider



The state-space description of the above system

is given by

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{k}{M} & -\frac{c}{M} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/M \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$\therefore A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{k}{M} & -\frac{c}{M} \end{bmatrix}; B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/M \end{bmatrix}$$

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note that

$n = \text{number of state variables} = 2.$

$$\therefore \text{Con} = [B \quad AB].$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{k}{M} & -\frac{c}{M} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/M \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \cdot 1/M \\ -\frac{c}{M^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \text{Con} = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/M \\ 1/M & -\frac{c}{M^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\det(C_{\text{con}}) = -\frac{1}{M_2} \neq 0.$$

$\therefore$  The system is controllable.

This implies from any given initial state and time  $T$  we can drive the system using ults) to reach any desired final state ~~in~~ in a ~~time~~ time  $T$ .

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Example:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u.$$

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = x_1 + u$$

$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = 2x_2.$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}; \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Con} = [B \quad AB];$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Con} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \det(\text{Con}) = 0.$$

System is not controllable.

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## Stabilization by Eigenvalue placement ⑧

Given:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax + Bu$

$$y = Cx + Du.$$

Objective: Find the vector  $K$  so that with  $u = -Kx + v$ , the closed loop system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = (A - BK)x + Bv$$

$$y = (C - DK)x + Dv$$

is asymptotically stable. Furthermore

place the eigenvalues, <sup>eigenvalues</sup> in desired locations in the LHP by choosing  $K$ .



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FACT: If the system is controllable then given any set of desired eigenvalue locations symmetric with respect to real axis, there exists a control law of the form

$$u = -Kx + \dot{y}$$

Such that

Eigenvalues of  $A - BK$  are the desired eigenvalues.

Note: A set of complex numbers  $\Lambda = [\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m]$  is

symmetric with respect to the real axis if for  $\lambda$  in our set  $\Lambda$ , its complex conjugate  $\bar{\lambda}$  is also in the set.

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### Pole placement Problem:

Given: a single input system with  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$

~~where~~ which is controllable, and symmetric set

$\Lambda = [\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n]$  of complex numbers ( $n =$  number of states).

Find

Objective: Find  $K$  such that

$$\det(sI - (A - BK)) = (s - \lambda_1)(s - \lambda_2) \dots (s - \lambda_n).$$

## Pole Placement Algorithm

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Assumption:  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$  is controllable,  $u$  is a single input.  
i.e.  $B$  is an  $n \times 1$  matrix.

$\Lambda = [\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n]$  is a symmetric set of eigenvalues.

Then let  $K$  be obtained by

Algo:

Step 1: Compute  $\text{Con} = [B \ AB \ A^2B \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B]$ .

Step 2: Compute  $\text{Con}^{-1}$

Step 3: Compute  $\Delta^d(s) = (s - \lambda_1)(s - \lambda_2) \dots (s - \lambda_n)$

and  ~~$\Delta^d(A) = (A - \lambda_1 I)(A - \lambda_2 I) \dots (A - \lambda_n I)$~~

Step 4:  $K = e_n^T \text{Con}^{-1} \Delta^d(A)$  where  $e_n^T = [0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0 \ 1]$   <sup>$\downarrow$  n<sup>th</sup> place.</sup>

Example:

Consider:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_B u.$$

~~The poles of A are~~

- The eigenvalues of A are  $-1 \pm 3j$ .  
(The system is stable).
- We would like the poles to be at  $-4 \pm j5$ .
- $n = \text{number of state} = 2$

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• Controllability matrix

$$\text{Con} = [B \quad AB]$$

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

$$\det(\text{Con}) = 1 \neq 0 \text{ e.}$$

$\therefore$  System is controllable.

$$\cdot \Lambda = [-4 \quad 5 \quad -4 \quad 5],$$

( $\Lambda$  is symmetric)

~~step:~~

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Step 1:  $C_{01} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix};$

Step 2:  $C_{02} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

Step 3:  $\Delta^d(s) = (s - \lambda_1)(s - \lambda_2)$   
 $= (s + 4 - j)(s + 4 + j)$   
 $= s^2 + 8s + 17$

Therefore

$$\mathcal{B}(A) = A^2 + 8A + 17I.$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -18 \\ 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Step 4:  $K = e_n^T C_{01}^{-1} \mathcal{B}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -18 \\ 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}.$

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Hence

$$u = -kx + y \\ = -[6 \ 3]x + y.$$

which gives us

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = (A - Bk)x + Bv \\ = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 10 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}x + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}v$$

$$y = D(-Dk)x + Bv.$$

$$= 0 \quad v)x.$$

$$\cdot \text{Check } \det(A - Bk) = [-4 \ 5, -4 \ 3].$$