

**Fall 2021 ME424 Modern Control and Estimation**

**Lecture Note 5**  
**State-Feedback and Output Feedback Control**

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# Outline

- **Eigenvalues  $\leftrightarrow$  System Response**
- Full State-feedback: Eigenvalue Assignment
- Luenberger Observer Design
- Output-feedback Control and Separation Principle

- State space solution (with zero control  $u(k) = 0$ )

- $x(k) = A^k x(0)$

- **Simple Case** (Diagonalizable):

- $A = TDT^{-1} = T \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_q \end{bmatrix} T^{-1}$

- $D^k = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^k & & & \\ & \lambda_2^k & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_q^k \end{bmatrix}$

- Transient response depends on the terms of the form  $\lambda_i^k$

- **General case: Jordan form**

- $A = TJT^{-1} = T \begin{bmatrix} J_1 & & & \\ & J_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & J_q \end{bmatrix} T^{-1} \Rightarrow A^k =$

- **Fact:** if  $J_i = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_i & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_i \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow J_i^k = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i^k & k\lambda_i^{k-1} & \frac{k(k-1)}{2}\lambda_i^{k-2} \\ 0 & \lambda_i^k & k\lambda_i^{k-1} \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_i^k \end{bmatrix}$

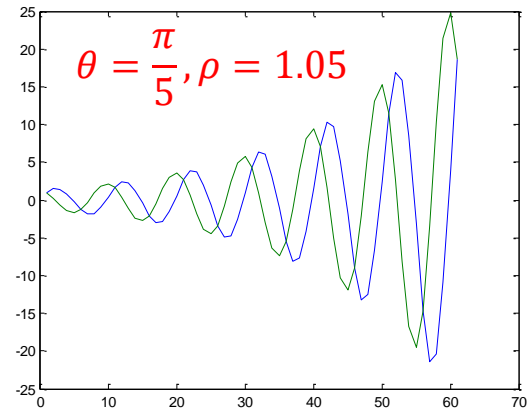
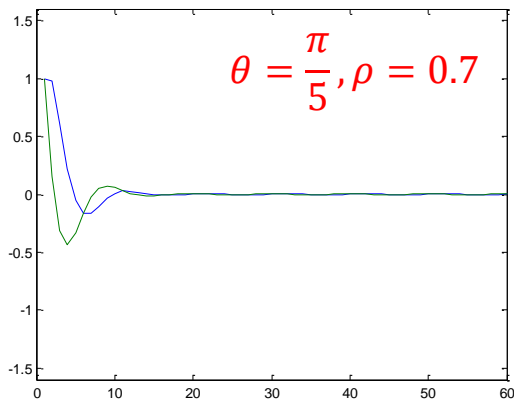
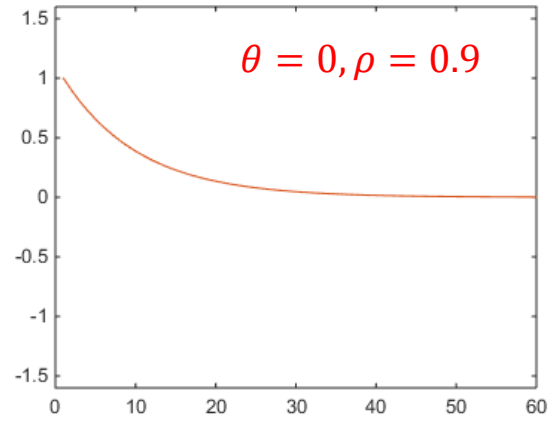
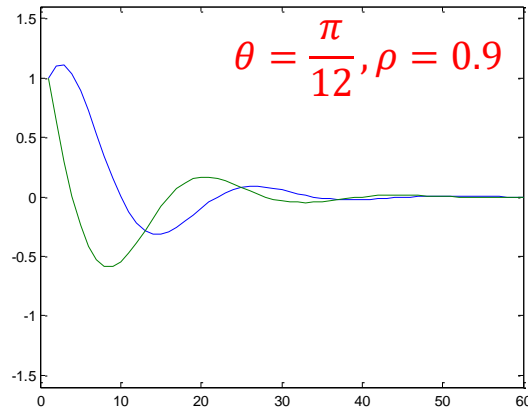
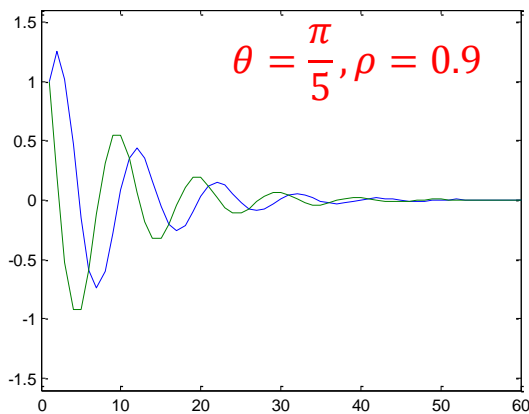
- Transient response depends on the terms of the form

$$\frac{k(k-1)\cdots(k-j)}{j!} \lambda_i^{k-j}$$

- The shape of transient response is determined by the locations of the eigenvalues

$$A = \rho \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ -\sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} = \rho(\cos(\theta) \pm j \sin(\theta))$$

e.g:  $x(k) = A^k x(0)$ , with  $x(0) = [1 \ 1]^T$



- Large  $|\lambda|$  produces slow convergence, while a small  $|\lambda|$  produces fast convergence
- A real  $\lambda$  produces a monotonic response, while a complex  $\lambda$  produces an oscillatory response
- For a complex  $\lambda$ , the response becomes more oscillatory as the ratio  $\left| \frac{Im(\lambda)}{Re(\lambda)} \right|$  increases
- Control design goal (for linear system): to modify the eigs of original system to achieve desired response.
- Feedback control fall into two categories
  - **State Feedback**: all state variables are measured and can be used in feedback
 
$$u(t) = g(x(t))$$
  - **Output Feedback**: Only output  $y = Cx + Du$  (typically  $\dim(y) < \dim(x)$ ) are measured and can be used in feedback
 
$$u(t) = g(y(t))$$

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- State feedback: full state information available to make control decision:
  - We focus on linear case: Let  $u = -Kx$
  - we just need to design the feedback gain matrix  $K$
  
- Plug in to obtain closed-loop system:
  - $x(k + 1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k) =$
  
  - Closed-loop system matrix:  $(A-BK)$
  
  - Pole placement (eigenvalue assignment) problem: find  $K$  so that the closed-loop system  $A - BK$  has the desired set of eigenvalues



- **Single Input case:**

- Consider **controllable canonical form**

$$\bar{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 1 \\ -\alpha_0 & -\alpha_1 & \cdots & -\alpha_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}, \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{C} \text{ and } \bar{D} \text{ arbitrary}$$

- If a system  $(\bar{A}, \bar{B})$  is in controllable canonical form, then it is always controllable (verify this by checking the controllability matrix of  $(A, B)$ )

- Characteristic polynomial for  $\bar{A}$

$$\bar{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 1 \\ -\alpha_0 & -\alpha_1 & \cdots & -\alpha_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\Delta_{\bar{A}}(\lambda) = \lambda^n + \alpha_{n-1}\lambda^{n-1} + \cdots + \alpha_1\lambda + \alpha_0$

- Characteristic polynomial for closed-loop  $A_{cl} = \bar{A} - \bar{B}\bar{K}$ 
  - Assume:  $\bar{K} = [k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n]$

- $$\Delta_{A_{cl}}(\lambda) = \lambda^n + (\alpha_{n-1} + k_n)\lambda^{n-1} + (\alpha_{n-2} + k_{n-1})\lambda^{n-2} + \dots + (\alpha_1 + k_2)\lambda + (\alpha_0 + k_1)$$

- Eigenvalue assignment: given desired  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ , how to choose  $\bar{K}$ ?
- **Step 1:** Find desired closed-loop characteristic polynomial:
  - $\Delta_{desired}(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) \cdots (\lambda - \lambda_n) = \lambda^n + \alpha_{n-1}^* \lambda^{n-1} + \cdots + \alpha_1^* \lambda + \alpha_0^*$
- **Step 2:** We know:  $\Delta_{A_{cl}}(\lambda) = \lambda^n + (\alpha_{n-1} + k_n)\lambda^{n-1} + (\alpha_{n-2} + k_{n-1})\lambda^{n-2} + \cdots + (\alpha_1 + k_2)\lambda + (\alpha_0 + k_1)$   
 choose  $k_1, \dots, k_n$  to match coefficients

- Eigenvalue assignment example:

$$\bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ desired eig: } \lambda_1^* = 0.5, \lambda_2^* = -0.5$$

- What about general single input system  $(A, B)$ , with  $B \in R^{n \times 1}$ 
  - **Recall:** If original system:  $x(k + 1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k)$ .  
Controllability matrix:  $M_c = [B \ AB \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B]$
  - Under similarity transformation:  $x(k) = P\bar{x}(k)$ , we have:  
 $\bar{x}(k + 1) = \bar{A}\bar{x}(k) + \bar{B}u(k)$ , with  $\bar{A} = P^{-1}AP, \bar{B} = P^{-1}B$   
 $\bar{M}_c = [\bar{B} \ \bar{A}\bar{B} \ \dots \ \bar{A}^{n-1}\bar{B}] = P^{-1}M_c$
  
- **FACT:**  $eig(A) = eig(\bar{A})$ , hence  $\Rightarrow \Delta_A(\lambda) = \Delta_{\bar{A}}(\lambda)$
  
- **Main idea:**
  - transform the system into a controllable canonical form  $(\bar{A}, \bar{B})$
  - Design gain  $\bar{K}$  to assign  $eig(\bar{A} - \bar{B}\bar{K})$  to desired ones
  - Transform back to the original coordinate to get  $K$  so that  $eig(A - BK) = eig(\bar{A} - \bar{B}\bar{K})$

- Eigenvalue assignment procedure for general single input system  $(A, B)$


- Step 1: Similarity transform: find  $P$ , such that  $x(k) = P\bar{x}(k)$ , and  $\bar{x}(k)$  dynamic is in controllable canonical form

- (1) Given  $A$ , compute:  $\Delta_A(\lambda) = \lambda^n + \alpha_{n-1}\lambda^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_1\lambda + \alpha_0$

- (2) We know:  $\Delta_{\bar{A}}(\lambda) = \Delta_A(\lambda)$ , by controllable canonical form structure, we have

$$\bar{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ -\alpha_0 & -\alpha_1 & \dots & -\alpha_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}, \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

- (3) Compute controllability matrix:  $\bar{M}_c$  using  $(\bar{A}, \bar{B})$  and  $M_c$  using  $(A, B)$

  $P = M_c \bar{M}_c^{-1}$

- Step 2: find  $\bar{K}$  to assign desired eigs for  $(\bar{A}, \bar{B})$
- Step 3: compute  $K = \bar{K}P^{-1}$
- Note that  $A - BK$  and  $\bar{A} - \bar{B}\bar{K}$  have the same set of eigs
- Coding Example:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 4 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = [1 \ 0 \ 1]'$ ;



- What about multiple inputs: ( $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}, m \geq 2$ )
  - Sometimes has redundancy, we can just use one column of  $B$  to assign eigs
  
- General case is quite involved, use numerical tools to assign eigs or use LQR controller which will be covered later

- Remarks on choosing desired poles (eigenvalues)

- Continuous time case:

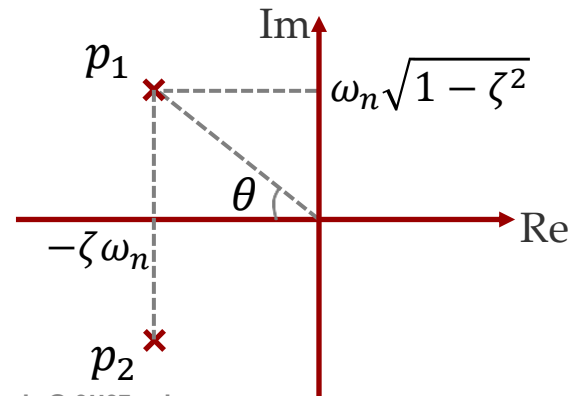
$$H(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

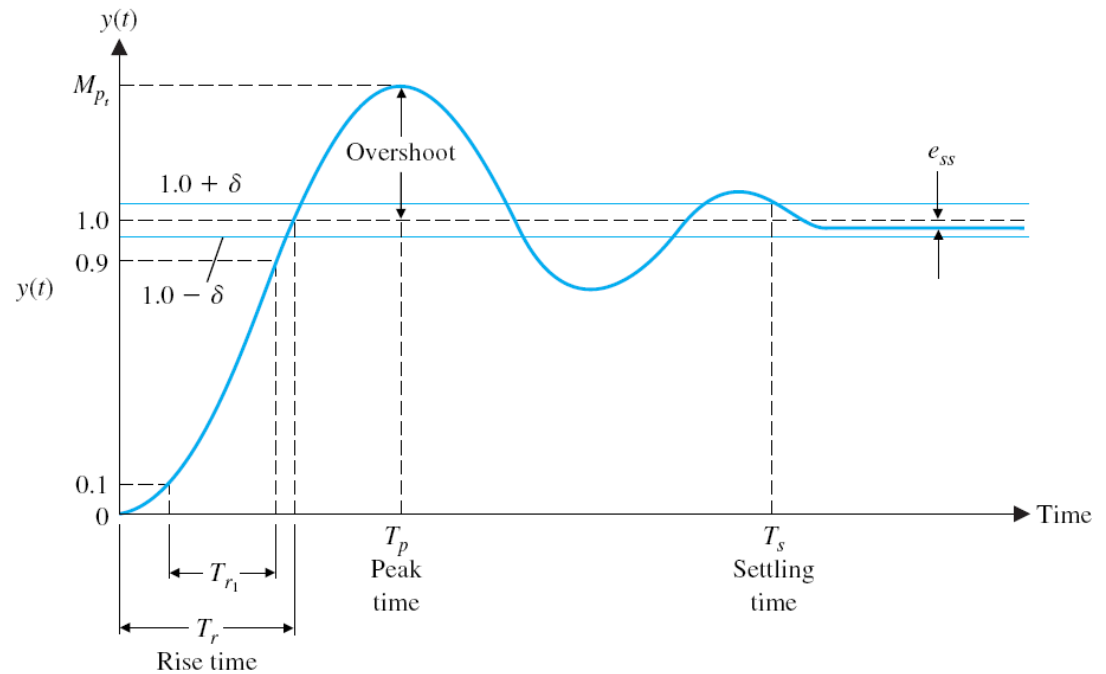
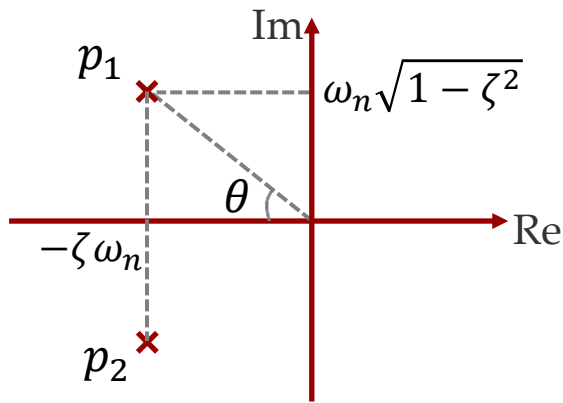
- $\omega_n$  : natural frequency

- $\zeta$ : damping ratio ( $\zeta > 1$  overly-damped,  $\zeta = 1$  critically damped,  $\zeta < 1$  under-damped)

- Under damped system ( $\zeta < 1$ ): two complex poles:

$$p_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm j\omega_n\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}, \quad \text{define: } \theta = \cos^{-1} \zeta$$





$$T_s = \frac{4}{\zeta\omega_n}, \quad \text{settling time}$$

$$T_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}, \quad \text{peak time}$$

$$\text{PO} = 100e^{-\frac{\zeta\pi}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}} \quad \text{percent overshoot}$$

Tradeoffs:

1. Poles moves to the left, i.e. larger  $\zeta\omega_n$
2. Poles moves up, i.e., larger  $\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}$
3. Smaller  $\theta$

- Discrete time case:
  - Relations:
    - $p_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm j\omega_n\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$
    - $T$ : sampling time
    - $z = e^{sT}$
  
- Pole selection example:
  - Suppose we want settling time  $T_s \leq 5$  sec and  $PO \leq 35\%$

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## ■ Observer Design:

- state vector is not available;  $u$  can only depend on output  $y$
- **Observer:** estimate system state vector  $\hat{x}(k) \approx x(k)$  given  $y(k)$ ,  $u(k)$  and  $(A, B, C, D)$
- **Key:** generate estimate iteratively according to known system dynamics:

$$\hat{x}(k + 1) = A\hat{x}(k) + Bu(k) + \mathbf{L} [\mathbf{y}(k) - \mathbf{C}\hat{x}(k) - \mathbf{D}u(k)]$$

- Iteratively update state estimate using previous estimate  $\hat{x}(k)$  and new data available at time  $k$ :  $u(k), y(k)$ ,
- This way of estimating state is called Luenberger observer



- **Observer design:** Find observer gain matrix  $L$  such that error dynamics have desired eigenvalues
- **Duality Theorem:**  $(A, C)$  observable  $\Leftrightarrow (A^T, C^T)$  controllable  
(remark: We say a pair  $(F, H)$  is controllable if a system with “A” matrix equal to F and “B” matrix equal to H is controllable. This also means  $M_c = [H \quad FH \quad F^2H \quad \dots \quad F^{n-1}H]$  is full rank)



- Consequence of the duality theorem: **If system  $(A,C)$  is observable**, we can use feedback gain design method to find observer gain  $L$  such that  $eig(A - LC)$  has desired eigs

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- Output feedback control procedure:
  - System:  $x(k + 1) = A x(k) + Bu(k), y(k) = Cx(k) + Du(k)$
  - Find  $K, L$  such that  $A - BK$  and  $A - LC$  have desired eigs
  - At time  $k = 0$ , pick arbitrary  $\hat{x}(0)$
  - For  $k \geq 0$ , given  $\hat{x}(k), u(k), y(k)$ , compute:
    - $\hat{x}(k + 1) = A\hat{x}(k) + Bu(k) + L [y(k) - C\hat{x}(k) - Du(k)]$
    - $u(k + 1) = -K\hat{x}(k + 1)$
  
- General guideline:
 

eigenvalues of  $(A - BK)$  are chosen to meet the design specifications on the transient response. The eigenvalues of  $(A-LC)$  are chosen **much faster** than those of  $(A - BK)$

- **Separation principle:** Observer eigs and controller eigs can be assigned separately

- Closed-loop dynamics: joint state vector:  $\begin{bmatrix} x(k) \\ e(k) \end{bmatrix}$  with  $u(k) = -K\hat{x}(k)$

- Dynamics for joint state vector:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(k+1) \\ e(k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Ax(k) + Bu(k) \\ Ax(k) + Bu(k) - (A\hat{x}(k) + Bu(k) + L[y(k) - C\hat{x}(k) - Du(k)]) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} Ax(k) + B(-K)\hat{x}(k) \\ (A - LC)e(k) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Ax(k) - BKx(k) + BKe(k) \\ (A - LC)e(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} A - BK & BK \\ 0 & A - LC \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x(k) \\ e(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

- The design of  $K$  and  $L$  can be done separately to meet specified controller and observer performance (characterized by  $\text{eigs}(A-BK)$  and  $\text{eigs}(A-LC)$ )

- Summary