



CDS 101/110a: Lecture 4-1 State Feedback

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- Goals:
 - Define reachability of a control system
 - Give test(s) for reachability of linear systems and apply to examples
 - Describe the design of state feedback controllers for linear systems
- Reading:
 - Åström and Murray, Feedback Systems, Ch 6

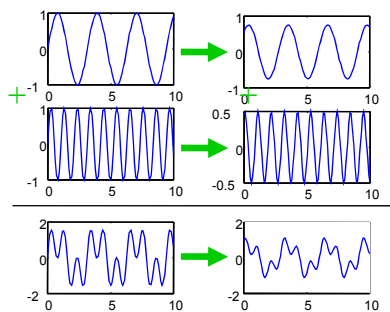
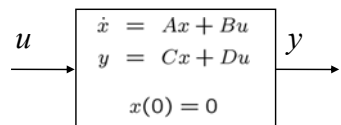
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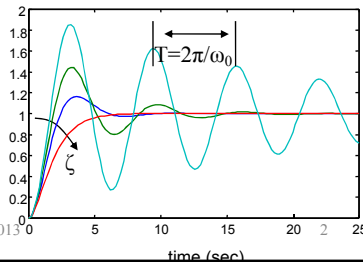
Review from last week



Properties of Linear Systems:

- Linearity with respect to inputs and initial conditions
- Stability characterized by eigenvalues
- Response described by convolution integral
- Many applications and tools
- Characterizes a nonlinear system around an equilibrium point
- *No system is linear for all input amplitudes, but linearization is a good enough model for many systems*

$$y(t) = Ce^{At}x(0) + \int_{\tau=0}^t Ce^{A(t-\tau)}Bu(\tau)d\tau + Du(t)$$



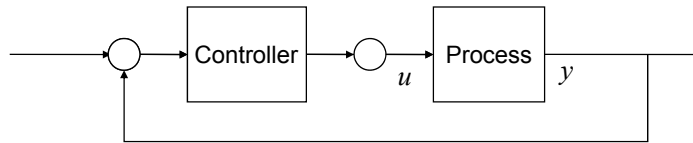
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Control Overview



- Design controller so that:
 - i) System is stable
 - ii) Performance:
 - Keep close to equilibrium despite disturbances (disturbance rejection)
 - Move system to desired state (track reference)
 - iii) Robust to modeling errors
- Design framework:
 - Use time-domain (state-space) model (week 4-5, and cds110b)
 - Use frequency-domain information (weeks 5-10)



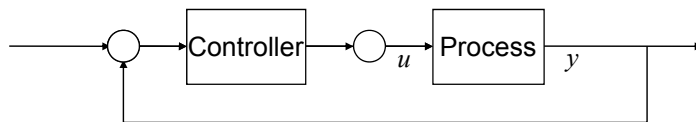
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First Questions...



- 1) Can the input u affect the dynamics?

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= x_1 + u \\ \text{e.g. } \dot{x}_2 &= x_2 \quad \Rightarrow \text{Can't change } x_2 \end{aligned}$$

Equivalent to asking whether there is a u that allows us to reach any point in the state-space

- \Rightarrow Reachability (today), depends on A, B
- \Rightarrow Related to the design of state feedback $u = -Kx$

- 2) Does the measurement y contain enough information about the system?

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= x_1 \quad y = x_1 \\ \text{e.g. } \dot{x}_2 &= x_2 \quad \Rightarrow \text{Can't measure } x_2 \end{aligned}$$

- \Rightarrow Observability (Wednesday), depends on A, C
- \Rightarrow Related to the design of observers to estimate state from measurement

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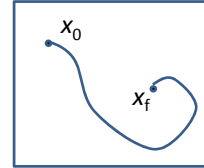
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Reachability of Input/Output Systems

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, x(0) \text{ given}$$

$$y = h(x, u) \quad u \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}$$



- **Def'n:** An input/output system is *reachable* if for any $x_0, x_f \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and any time $T > 0$ there exists an input $u_{[0,T]} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that the solution of the dynamics starting from $x(0)=x_0$ and applying input $u(t)$ gives $x(T)=x_f$.

- **Remarks**

- In the definition, x_0 and x_f do not have to be equilibrium points
 \Rightarrow we don't necessarily stay at x_f after time T .
- Reachability is defined in terms of states \Rightarrow doesn't depend on output
- For *linear systems*, can characterize reachability by looking at the general solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + Bu \\ y &= Cx + Du \end{aligned} \quad x(T) = e^{AT}x_0 + \int_{\tau=0}^T e^{A(T-\tau)}Bu(\tau)d\tau$$

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Discrete-time Reachability

- Can we choose a sequence $u[0], u[1], u[2], \dots$ to achieve any desired $x[N]$?

Given

$$x[k+1] = Ax[k] + Bu[k] \quad x[0] = x_0$$

Then

$$x[1] = Ax[0] + Bu[0]$$

$$x[2] = A^2x[0] + ABu[0] + Bu[1]$$

$$x[3] = A^3x[0] + A^2Bu[0] + ABu[1] + Bu[2]$$

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Or

$$x[3] = A^3x[0] + \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u[2] \\ u[1] \\ u[0] \end{bmatrix}$$

E.g., with $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$
 then $[B \ AB \ A^2B]$ is square. If invertible (full rank) then can solve for $u[0], \dots$

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Tests for Reachability

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + Bu & x \in \mathbb{R}^n, x(0) \text{ given} \\ y &= Cx + Du & u \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \quad x(T) = e^{AT}x_0 + \int_{\tau=0}^T e^{A(T-\tau)}Bu(\tau)d\tau$$

- **Thm:** A linear system is reachable if and only if the $n \times n$ reachability matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B & \dots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix}$$

is full rank.

- **Remarks**

- Very simple test to apply. In MATLAB, use `ctrb(A,B)` and check rank w/ `det()`
- If this test is satisfied, we say “the pair (A,B) is reachable”
- Some insight into the proof can be seen by expanding the matrix exponential

$$\begin{aligned} e^{A(T-\tau)}B &= \left(I + A(T-\tau) + \frac{1}{2}A^2(T-\tau)^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{(n-1)!}A^{n-1}(T-\tau)^{n-1} + \dots \right) B \\ &= B + AB(T-\tau) + \frac{1}{2}A^2B(T-\tau)^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{(n-1)!}A^{n-1}B(T-\tau)^{n-1} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- Test does not give a measure of how much control effort is required
- Other tests for reachability also exist

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Cayley-Hamilton Theorem

- For $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ (so $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$)
- The rank of

$$\begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B & \dots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

is the same as the rank of

$$\begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B & \dots & A^{n-1}B & A^nB \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n+1)}$$

- Cayley-Hamilton theorem: for any $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

- the characteristic polynomial is

$$\det(sI - A) = s^n + a_1s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}s + a_n = 0$$
- the matrix satisfies

$$A^n + a_1A^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}A + a_nI = 0$$

- which implies that for any $k \geq n$ then

$$A^k = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j A^j$$

- *If controllability matrix is rank-deficient, adding more terms doesn't help*

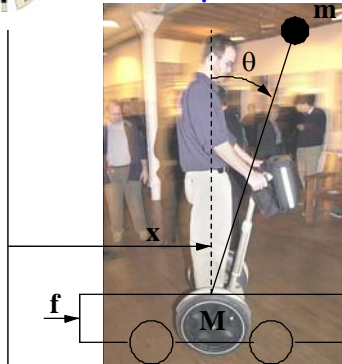
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Example: Inverted Pendulum on a Cart



$$\begin{aligned} (M + m)\ddot{x} + ml \cos \theta \ddot{\theta} &= -b\dot{x} + ml \sin \theta \dot{\theta}^2 + f \\ (J + ml^2)\ddot{\theta} + ml \cos \theta \ddot{x} &= -mgl \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

- State: $x, \theta, \dot{x}, \dot{\theta}$
- Input: $u = F$
- Output: $y = x$
- Linearize according to previous formula around $\theta = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \theta \\ \dot{x} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{m^2 g l^2}{J(M+m) + Mml^2} & \frac{-(J + ml^2)b}{J(M+m) + Mml^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{mgl(M+m)}{J(M+m) + Mml^2} & \frac{-mlb}{J(M+m) + Mml^2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \theta \\ \dot{x} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{J + ml^2}{J(M+m) + Mml^2} \\ \frac{ml}{J(M+m) + Mml^2} \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x$$

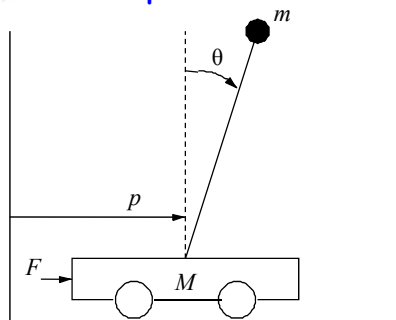
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Example #1: Linearized pendulum on a cart



- Question: can we locally control the position of the cart by proper choice of input?
- Approach: look at the linearization around the upright position (good approximation to the full dynamics if θ remains small)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ \theta \\ \dot{p} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{m^2 l^2 g}{M_t J_t - m^2 l^2} & \frac{-c J_t}{M_t J_t - m^2 l^2} & \frac{-\gamma J_t l m}{M_t J_t - m^2 l^2} \\ 0 & \frac{M_t m g l}{M_t J_t - m^2 l^2} & \frac{-c l m}{M_t J_t - m^2 l^2} & \frac{-\gamma M_t}{M_t J_t - m^2 l^2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ \theta \\ \dot{p} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{J_t}{M_t J_t - m^2 l^2} \\ \frac{l m}{M_t J_t - m^2 l^2} \end{bmatrix} u$$


$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x,$$

Note: equations on previous slide did not include damping on angular rate

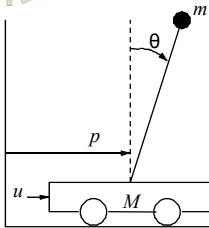
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Example #1, con't: Linearized pendulum on a cart



$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ \theta \\ \dot{p} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{m^2 l^2 g}{\mu} & \frac{-c J_t}{\mu} & \frac{-\gamma J_t l m}{\mu} \\ 0 & \frac{M_t m g l}{\mu} & \frac{-c l m}{\mu} & \frac{-\gamma M_t}{\mu} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ \theta \\ \dot{p} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{J_t}{\mu} \\ \frac{l m}{\mu} \end{bmatrix} u$$

$\mu = M_t J_t - m^2 l^2$

• Simplify by setting $c, \gamma = 0$

• Reachability matrix


$$W_r = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{J_t}{\mu} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{l m}{\mu} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{J_t}{\mu} & 0 & \frac{g l^3 m^3}{\mu^2} & 0 \\ \frac{l m}{\mu} & 0 & \frac{g l^2 m^2 (m+M)}{\mu^2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B \\ AB \\ A^2 B \\ A^3 B \end{bmatrix}$$

- Full rank as long as constants are such that columns 1 and 3 are not multiples of each other
- Reachable as long as $\det(W_r) = \frac{g^2 l^4 m^4}{\mu^4} \neq 0$
- Can "steer" linearization between points by proper choice of input

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Control Design Concepts

- System description: often single input, single output (MIMO also OK)

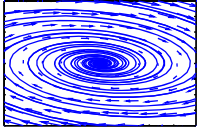
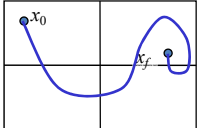
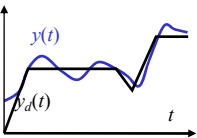
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$$y = h(x, u) \quad u \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Stability: stabilize the system around an equilibrium point
 - Given equilibrium point $x_e \in \mathbb{R}^n$, find control "law" $u = \alpha(x)$ such that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = x_e \quad \forall x(0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

- Reachability: steer the system between two points
 - Given $x_0, x_f \in \mathbb{R}^n$, find an input $u(t)$ such that $\dot{x} = f(x, u(t))$ takes $x(t_0) = x_0 \rightarrow x(T) = x_f$

- Tracking: track a given output trajectory
 - Given $y_d(t)$, find $u = \alpha(x, t)$ such that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (y(t) - y_d(t)) = 0, \forall x(0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

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State space controller design for linear systems

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + Bu & x \in \mathbb{R}^n, x(0) \text{ given} \\ y &= Cx + Du & u \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \quad x(T) = e^{AT}x_0 + \int_{\tau=0}^T e^{A(T-\tau)}Bu(\tau)d\tau$$

- **Goal:** find a linear control law $u = -Kx$ such that the closed loop system

$$\dot{x} = Ax - BKx = (A - BK)x$$

is stable at $x_e=0$.

- **Remarks**
 - Stability based on eigenvalues \Rightarrow use K to make eigenvalues of $(A - BK)$ stable
 - Can also link eigenvalues to *performance* (e.g., initial condition response)
 - Question: when can we place the eigenvalues any place that we want?
- **Theorem:** The eigenvalues of $(A - BK)$ can be set to arbitrary values if and only if the pair (A, B) is reachable.
- **MATLAB:** $K = \text{place}(A, B, \text{eigs})$

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Reachable Canonical Form

- If the system is reachable, then there exists a transformation $z = Tx$ such that:

$$\dot{z} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 & -a_2 & -a_3 & \cdots & -a_n \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} z + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u$$

- (Check $[B \ AB \ A^2B \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B]$... is this system reachable?)
- Characteristic polynomial is: $\lambda(s) = s^n + a_1s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}s + a_n$
- Choose state feedback: $u = -Kz = -[k_1 \ k_2 \ \dots \ k_n]z$
- Then closed-loop system is:

$$\dot{z} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 - k_1 & -a_2 - k_2 & -a_3 - k_3 & \cdots & -a_n - k_n \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} z$$

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Example #2: Predator prey

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = rH \left(1 - \frac{H}{k_c}\right) - \frac{aHL}{c+H}, \quad H \geq 0$$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = b \frac{aHL}{c+H} - dL, \quad L \geq 0$$

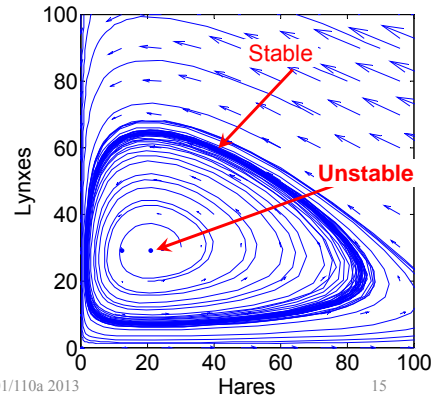


- Controlled dynamics: modulate food supply

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = (r+u)H \left(1 - \frac{H}{k_c}\right) - \frac{aHL}{c+H}$$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = b \frac{aHL}{c+H} - dL,$$

- Q1: can we move from some initial population of lynxes and hares to a specified one in time T by modulation of the food supply?
- Q2: can we stabilize the population around the desired equilibrium point
- Approach: try to answer this question locally, around the natural equilibrium point



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Example #2: Problem setup

- Equilibrium point calculation

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = (r+u)H \left(1 - \frac{H}{k_c}\right) - \frac{aHL}{c+H}$$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = b \frac{aHL}{c+H} - dL,$$

$$- x_e = (20.5, 29.5), u_e = 0$$

- Linearization

- Compute linearization around equil.

point, x_e :

$$A = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x_e, u_e} \quad B = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \right|_{x_e, u_e}$$

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% Compute the equil point
% predprey.m contains dynamics
f = inline('predprey(0,x)');
xeq = fsolve(f, [20, 30]);

% Compute linearization
A = [...];
B = [H0*(1 - H0/K); 0];
p = [-1;-2];
K = place(A,B,p)
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$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r - \frac{2H_0 r}{k} - \frac{aL_0}{c+H_0} + \frac{aL_0 H_0}{(c+H_0)^2} & -\frac{aH_0}{c+H_0} \\ baL_0 \left(\frac{1}{c+H_0} - \frac{H_0}{(c+H_0)^2} \right) & ba \frac{H_0}{c+H_0} - d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} H_0 \left(1 - \frac{H_0}{k}\right) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} v$$

- Reachable? YES, if $ba \neq 0$ (check [B AB]) \Rightarrow can locally steer to any point

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Example #2: Stabilization via eigenvalue assignment

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r - \frac{2H_0 r}{k} - \frac{aL_0}{c+H_0} + \frac{aL_0 H_0}{(c+H_0)^2} & -\frac{aH_0}{c+H_0} \\ baL_0 \left(\frac{1}{c+H_0} - \frac{H_0}{(c+H_0)^2} \right) & ba\frac{H_0}{c+H_0} - d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} H_0 \left(1 - \frac{H_0}{k} \right) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} v$$

- Control design:

$$v = -Kz + k_r r$$

$$u = u_e - K(x - x_e) + k_r(r - y_e)$$

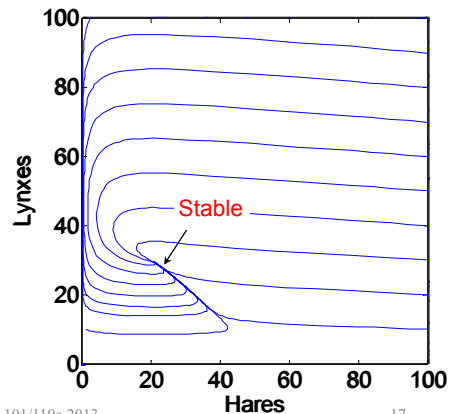
- Place poles at stable values

- Choose $\lambda = -1, -2$
- $K = \text{place}(A, B, [-1; -2]);$

- Modify NL dynamics to include control

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = (r + u)H \left(1 - \frac{H}{k_c} \right) - \frac{aHL}{c + H}$$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = b\frac{aHL}{c + H} - dL,$$



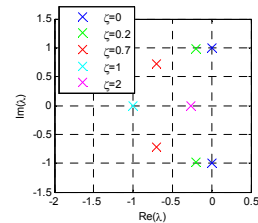
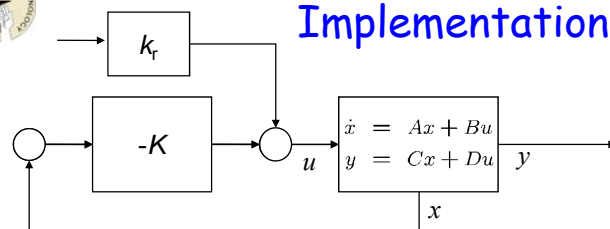
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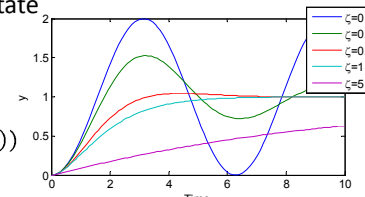


Implementation



Remarks:

- In practice, don't always have access to full state
→ estimate state from measurement y
- What to pick for eigenvalues?
 - For each eigenvalue $\lambda_i = \sigma_i + j\omega_i$, get contribution of the form $y_i(t) = e^{\sigma_i t} (a \sin(\omega_i t) + b \cos(\omega_i t))$
 - Faster response will require more control effort
 - Optimal control: LQR (in text, CDS 110b)
- How to obtain desired tracking response so that $y_{ss} = r$ for some reference r ?
 - Choose $u = -Kx + k_r r$
 - Steady state (if $D=0$): $y = Cx = C(A - BK)^{-1} B k_r r \Rightarrow k_r = \text{inv}[C(A - BK)^{-1} B]$



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