

Separation principle

Given a plant

$$\dot{x}(t) = A x(t) + B u(t)$$

$$y(t) = C x(t)$$

and an observer based controller

$$\dot{x}_k(t) = A_k x_k(t) + B_k y(t)$$

$$r(t) = C_k x_k(t) + D_k y(t)$$

with order n

$$\text{and an } \tilde{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ x_k(t) \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

Then the closed loop system is

$$\dot{\tilde{x}}(t) = (\tilde{A} + \tilde{B} \begin{bmatrix} A_k & B_k \\ C_k & D_k \end{bmatrix} \tilde{C}) \tilde{x}(t)$$

where

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \tilde{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_k & B_k \\ C_k & D_k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A - LC - BK & L \\ -K & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem

Then the closed loop system

is stable iff the

eigenvalues of $A + BK$ and $A - LC$ are negative

$$(\text{roots of } \det(sI - (A + BK)) = 0$$

$$\text{and } \det(sI - (A - LC)) = 0$$

are in LHP.

proof find eigenvalues of cl syst.

$$\dot{\tilde{x}}(t) = (\tilde{A} + \tilde{B} \begin{bmatrix} A_k & B_k \\ C_k & D_k \end{bmatrix} \tilde{C}) \tilde{x}(t)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} A + BD_k C & B C_k \\ B_k L & A_k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} A & -BK \\ LC & A - LC - BK \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let } \hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ I & -I \end{bmatrix} Q^{-1} \tilde{x}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ x(t) - x_k(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q^{-1} \dot{\hat{x}} = Q^{-1} A Q Q^{-1} \hat{x}$$

(similarity transform)

New closed loop system is

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ I & -I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & -BK \\ LC & A - LC - BK \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ I & -I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} A & -BK \\ A - LC & LC + BK - A - BK \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ I & -I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} A - BK & BK \\ 0 & A - LC \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \dot{\hat{x}} \\ \hat{x} \end{matrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A-BK & BK \\ 0 & A-LC \end{bmatrix}}_{\hat{A}} \begin{matrix} \hat{x} \\ x \end{matrix} \quad (7)$$

the eigenvalues of \hat{A} are the union of the eigenvalues of $A-BK$ and $A-LC$, because the matrix is in block diagonal form and similarity transforms maintain the

eigenvalues of the original system.

• As a result, all system eigenvalues/poles are located where they are placed by K, L designs

• Remember, a system is stable iff all poles/eigenvalues are in LHP.

• Since my poles/eigenvalues come from $A-BK, A-LC$, then the system is stable iff poles/eigenvalues of $A-BK, A-LC$ are in LHP.

QED

• A necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of a pair (K, L) that can make the system stable is that

$\exists (K, L)$ s.t. system stable
iff (A, B, C) is controllable and observable.
proof next time + example!

if and only if

Theorem

$\exists (K, L)$ so closed loop system with combined control is stable iff (A, B, C) is controllable and observable.

Proof:

$\exists K$ so $A - BK$ is stable

iff (A, B) controllable

$\exists L$ so $A - LC$ is stable

iff (A, C) is observable.

As a result

(A, B, C) should be both controllable and observable
QED.

Recall

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{x} - \dot{x}_k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A - BK & BK \\ 0 & A - LC \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x - x_k \end{bmatrix}$$

let $e = x - x_k$ (error)

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


The characteristic eq. for combined system is found by solving

$$\det(sI - (A - BK)) \det(sI - (A - LC)) = 0$$

roots are found from

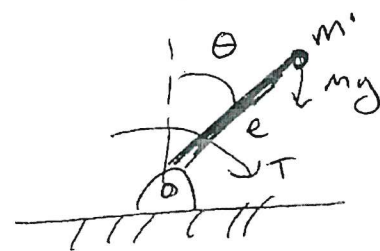
$$\det(sI - (A - BK)) = 0$$

$$\det(sI - (A - LC)) = 0$$

'This result is important!' this means the design of observer and controller can be done separately! 

Typically, design observer to have faster dynamics than controller then design controller assuming we know all states

EX: Inverted pendulum



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$$-m l^2 \ddot{\theta} = m g l \sin \theta + T$$

nonlinear-linear approximation
when θ small
 $\sin \theta = \theta$

$$m l^2 \ddot{\theta} - m g l \theta = T$$

$$\ddot{\theta} - \frac{g}{l} \theta = \frac{1}{m l^2} T$$

In our example,

$$\ddot{\theta} - 16 \theta = r$$

$$y = \theta$$

$$x_1 = \theta$$

$$x_2 = \dot{\theta}$$

$$e_1 = \theta - \hat{\theta}$$

$$e_2 = \dot{\theta} - \dot{\hat{\theta}}$$

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Br \quad y = Cx$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 16 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = [1 \ 0]$$

see handout

CL system

• from previous lecture examples

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ e_1 \\ e_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -5 & -4 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -3.2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ e_1 \\ e_2 \end{bmatrix}$$