

## Lec. 16: (module 2, Lec. 4)

- Today:
- Stability (contd.)
    - Discrete-time
    - Continuous-time
  - Feedback Control
    - Stabilization with "eigenvalue placement"

### Announcements

- 1) MT on Mon (8-10pm)
  - Check ED for logistics
- 2) No lecture next Tues. (March 14)

### Recap of stability:

$$x[t+1] = \lambda x[t] + \underbrace{u[t]}_{\text{engineer's choice}} + \underbrace{e[t]}_{\text{nature's choice}}$$

BIBO stable: System is BIBO stable iff when  $|u[t]| \leq E$  and  $|e(t)| \leq E \quad \forall t, \exists a K (< \infty)$  st.  $|x(t)| \leq K \quad \forall t$ .

ex.  $x(t+1) = \lambda x(t) + u(t)$

$$|\lambda| > 1$$

$$|u(t)| \leq E$$

Pf: Find some  $u(t)$  for which the sys. state blows up.

Try:  $u(0) = E, \quad u(t) = 0, \quad t > 0$

$$x(0) = x(0)$$

$$x(1) = \lambda x(0) + u(0) = \lambda x(0) + E$$

$$x(2) = \lambda (\lambda x(0) + E) + 0$$

$$\vdots$$
$$x(t) = \lambda^{t-1} (\lambda x(0) + E)$$

$$|x(t)| = |\lambda^{t-1}| |\lambda x(0) + E|$$

BIBO  
unstable

$\rightarrow \infty$

as  $t \rightarrow \infty$   
since  $|\lambda| > 1$

Ex:

$$x(t+1) = \lambda x(t) + u(t)$$

$$|\lambda| < 1$$

$$|u(t)| < E$$

Guess : BIBO stable

Proof: Want to be bounded  
for ALL  $u(t)$ !

$$x[1] = \lambda x(0) + u(0)$$

$$x(2) = \lambda x(1) + u(1)$$

$$= \lambda (\lambda x(0) + u(0)) + u(1)$$

$$= \lambda^2 x(0) + \lambda u(0) + u(1)$$

$$x(3) = \lambda^3 x(0) + (\lambda^2 u(0) + \lambda u(1) + u(2))$$

$$\dot{x}(t) = \lambda^t x(0) + \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} \lambda^i u(t-1-i)$$



We want  $|x(t)| < \epsilon \quad \forall t$

Take abs. value of both sides &



$$|x(t)| = \left| \lambda^t x(0) + \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} \lambda^i u(t-1-i) \right|$$

(use:  $|A+B| \leq |A|+|B|$ )  
a.k.a. Triangle-ineqn



$$|x(t)| \leq \underbrace{|\lambda^t x(0)|}_{\leq |x(0)|} + \underbrace{\left| \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} \lambda^i u(t-1-i) \right|}$$

$$\leq |x(0)| + \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} |\lambda^i| \underbrace{|u(t-1-i)|}_{\leq E}$$

by repeated application of Triangle-inequality

$$\leq |x(0)| + E \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} |\lambda^i|$$

$$= |x(0)| + E [1 + |\lambda| + |\lambda|^2 + \dots + |\lambda|^{t-1}]$$

$$\leq |\alpha(0)| + E \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} |\lambda|^i$$

Geom. Series:  $= \frac{1}{1-|\lambda|}$  ;  $|\lambda| < 1$

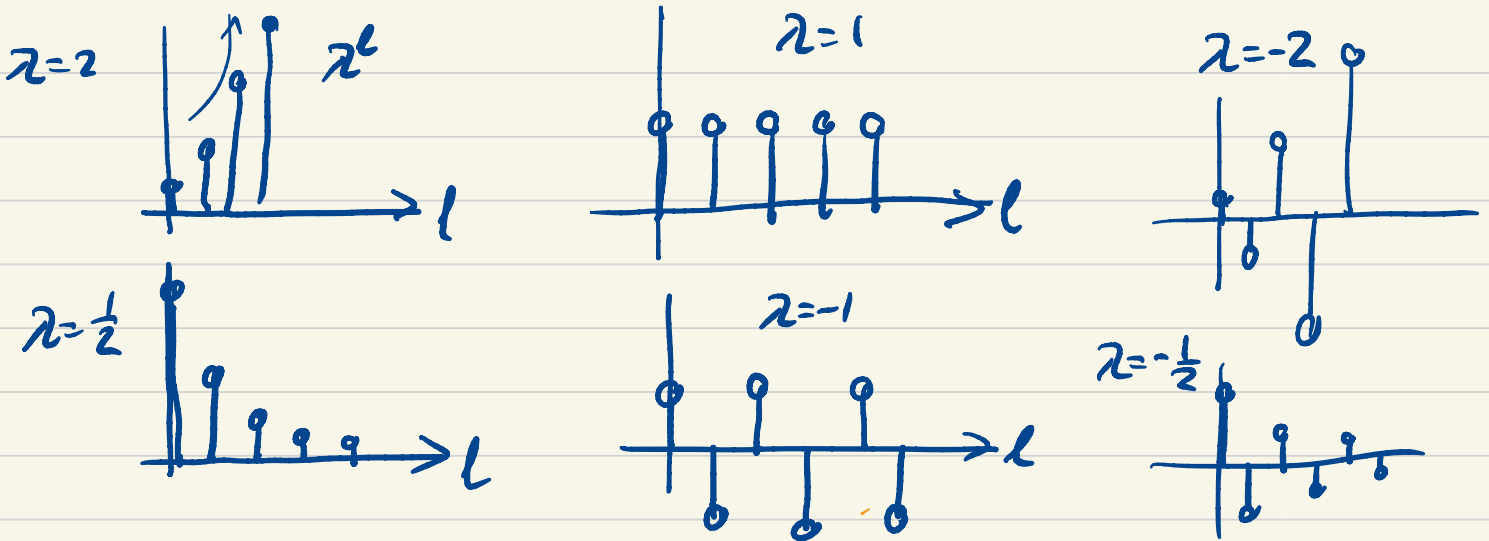
$$\leq \left| \alpha(0) \right| + \frac{E}{1-|\lambda|} ; |\lambda| < 1$$

$= K$  : Bound!

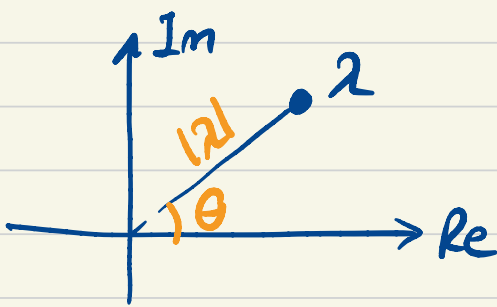
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is  $x[l] = \lambda^l x[0]$ . Bounded if  $|\lambda| \leq 1$ .



What about complex  $\lambda$ ? When does  $\lambda^l$  remain bounded?

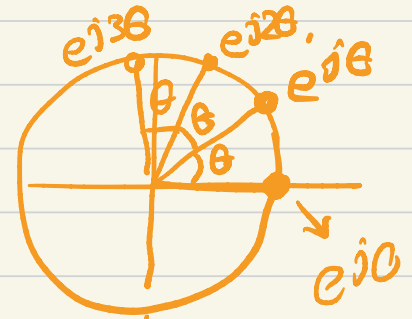


$$\lambda = |\lambda| e^{j\theta}$$

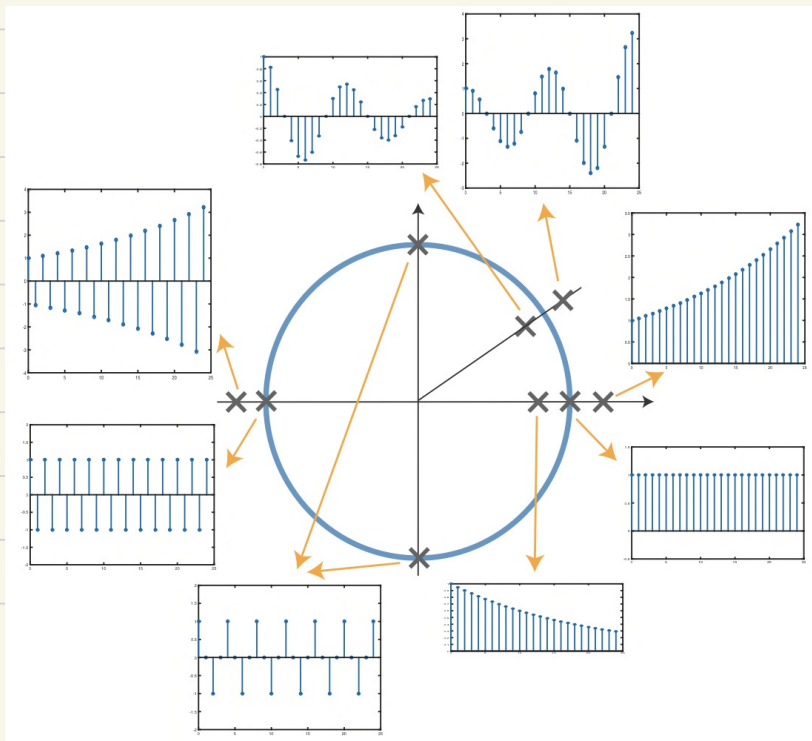
$$\lambda^l = |\lambda|^l e^{j\theta l}$$

$$|e^{j\theta l}| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |\lambda^l| = |\lambda|^l$$



Therefore,  $|\lambda| \leq 1$  required for boundedness of  $\lambda^l$ .



$\lambda^l, l=0,1,2,3,\dots$   
for various choices of  $\lambda$  in the complex plane, each marked with a cross. Only the real part of  $\lambda^l$  is shown when  $\lambda$  is complex.

Case:  $|\lambda| > 1$  : UNSTABLE

$|\lambda| < 1$  : STABLE

$|\lambda| = 1$  : ??

$$|u(t)| < E \quad \forall t$$

Case:  $|\lambda| = 1$ .

$$x(t) = \lambda^t x(0) + \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} \lambda^k u(t-1-k)$$

$\lambda = 1$

$$x(t) = x(0) + \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} u(t-1-k)$$

Choose  $u(t-1-k) = E \quad \forall t$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = x(0) + E \cdot t$$

Blows up as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

Unstable!

'Marginally UNSTABLE'

Exercise: Do  $\lambda = -1$

Find  $u(t)$  s.t.  $x(t) \rightarrow \infty$   
as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

Ex. Vector system:

$$\vec{x}(t+1) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}(t) + \vec{u}(t)$$

↳ BIBO unstable

BIBO stability. All  $|\text{eigenvalues}| < 1$

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$$\vec{x}(t+1) = A \vec{x}(t) + \vec{u}(t) + \vec{e}(t)$$

$$A = V \Lambda V^{-1}$$

$$\Lambda = \text{diag} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues of  $A$  are  $\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n\}$

$$\vec{x}(t+1) = V \Lambda V^{-1} \vec{x}(t) + \vec{u}(t) + \vec{e}(t)$$

$$\underbrace{V^{-1} \vec{x}(t+1)}_{\vec{\tilde{x}}(t+1)} = \Lambda \underbrace{V^{-1} \vec{x}(t)}_{\vec{\tilde{x}}(t)} + \underbrace{V^{-1} \vec{u}(t)}_{\vec{\tilde{u}}(t)} + \underbrace{V^{-1} \vec{e}(t)}_{\vec{\tilde{e}}(t)}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{x}}(t+1) = \Lambda \vec{\tilde{x}}(t) + \vec{\tilde{u}}(t) + \vec{\tilde{e}}(t)$$

↑ diagonal!



→ Find the e-vals. of  $A$  — if all have  $|\lambda| < 1$ , then BIBO stable!  
 Else, not.

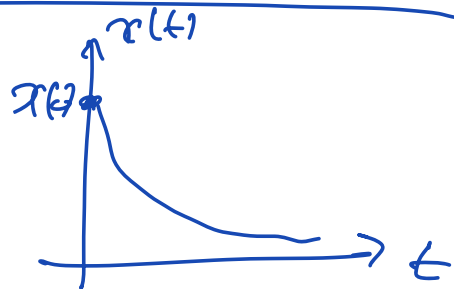
### Continuous-time systems

$$\frac{d}{dt}x(t) = \lambda x(t) + u(t)$$

$$x(t) = e^{\lambda t} x(0) + \int_0^t e^{\lambda(t-\tau)} u(\tau) d\tau$$

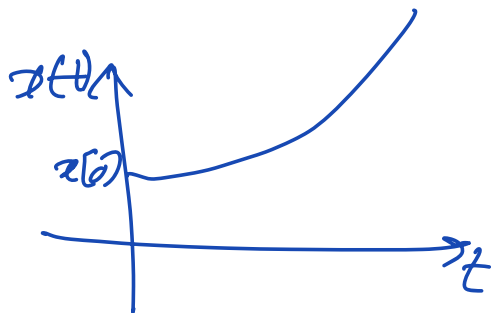
$$\frac{d}{dt}x(t) = -2x(t)$$

$$x(t) = e^{-2t} x(0)$$



$$\frac{d}{dt}x(t) = 2x(t)$$

$$x(t) = e^{2t} x(0)$$



If  $\lambda$  is complex

$$e^{\lambda t} = e^{(\text{Re}\{\lambda\} + j \text{Im}\{\lambda\})t}$$

$$= e^{\text{Re}\{\lambda\}t} e^{j \text{Im}\{\lambda\}t}$$

Continuous-time: (complex case)

$\text{Re}\{\lambda\} > 0$       unstable

$\text{Re}\{\lambda\} < 0$       stable

$\text{Re}\{\lambda\} = 0$       marginally unstable

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Recap:

- ① Identify the system: sys-ID:  
learn the model parameters
- ② once we have the model, is the  
sys. stable or not?
- ③ What can we do if our system  
is unstable? Can we make it  
stable? → Feedback Control
- ④ Can we get our system to go where  
we want to go? → Controllability

# Stabilization by FB

$$\boxed{\vec{x}[i+1] = A \vec{x}[i] + B \vec{u}[i] + \vec{e}[i]} \quad (*)$$

$\downarrow$  input                       $\downarrow$  disturbance

OPEN-LOOP DYNAMICS

Q) What if  $A$  has an e-val. with  $|\lambda| > 1$ ?

Can we achieve stability by designing  $\vec{u}$  appropriately?

There are many choices for  $\vec{u}$ , let's try

$$\vec{u} = F \vec{x}$$

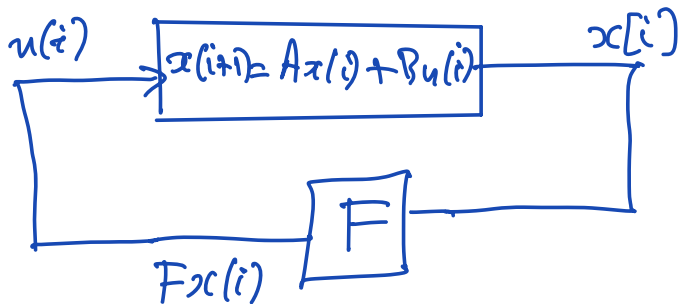
$\downarrow$  (m x 1)       $\downarrow$  (m x n)       $\downarrow$  (n x 1)

(m=1)  
 $u = F \vec{x}$

If  $m=1$ ,  $F \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$

$$u = [f_1 \ f_2 \ \dots \ f_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1[i] \\ x_2[i] \\ \vdots \\ x_n[i] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{u[i] = Fx[i] = f_1 x_1[i] + f_2 x_2[i] + \dots + f_n x_n[i]}$$



Subst.  $u[i] = Fx[i]$  in  $\textcircled{A}$

$$\vec{x}(i+1) = (A + BF)\vec{x}(i) + \vec{e}(i)$$

$A_{CL}$

"closed-loop system"

Q) Can we design  $F$  s.t. e-vals. of  $A_{CL} = A + BF$  are inside the unit circle (u.c.).

Let's try some examples:

Ex 1 (SCALAR)  $x(i+1) = 2x(i) + n(i)$

unstable without feedback

$$u(i) = f x(i)$$

Closed-loop,  $x(i+1) = (2+f)x(i)$

For stability, we want  $|2+f| < 1$

If we want an e-val @  $\lambda_0 \Rightarrow 2+f = \lambda_0$

$$\boxed{f = \lambda_0 - 2}$$

Ex. 2

( $m=1, n=2$ )

$$\vec{x}(i+1) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_A \vec{x}(i) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B u(i)$$

$$A_{cl} = A + BF = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_1 & f_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3+f_1 & 2+f_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ f_1 & f_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Sigma$ -vals of  $A$ :

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = 0$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ -3 & \lambda - 2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(\lambda - 2) - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda - 3)(\lambda + 1) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 3, -1$$

unstable!

$\Sigma$ -vals of  $A_{cl}$

$$\Rightarrow \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ -3-f_1 & \lambda - 2 - f_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - (2+f_2)\lambda - (3+f_1) = 0$$

①

If we want e-values,  $(A_{CL})$  @  
 $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ .

$$(\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) = \lambda^2 - (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)\lambda + \lambda_1\lambda_2 = 0$$

(2)

We want:  $-3 - f_1 = \lambda_1\lambda_2$

$$f_1 = -\lambda_1\lambda_2 - 3 \quad (3)$$

Also,  $2 + f_2 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$

$$f_2 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 - 2 \quad (4)$$

e.g. if we want  $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\lambda_2 = -\frac{1}{4}$   
(stable!)

$$f_1 = -3 - \frac{1}{8} = -3\frac{1}{8}$$

$$f_2 = -1\frac{3}{4}$$

Almost magical. We can  
"place eigenvalues" from  $s_i - 1$   
to  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ .

Q Does this always work?  
Ex. 3

$$\vec{x}[i+1] = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_A \vec{x}[i] + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_B u[i]$$

e-values of  $A$  are 1, 2  $\Rightarrow$  unstable!

$$A_{CL} = A + BF = \begin{bmatrix} 1+f_1 & 1+f_2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

e-values of  $A_{CL}$  are  $(1+f_1)$  &  $\textcircled{2}$   
still unstable!

No choice of  $f_1$  &  $f_2$  can make  
the closed-loop system stable!