

Lec. 17: (module 2, Lec. 5)

Today:

Last time

- Stability
- Feedback Control:
"eigenvalue placement"
using $\vec{u} = F\vec{x}$

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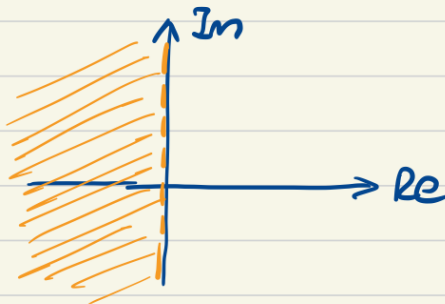
- Wrap up FB control
- Controllability

Notes 9 (stability + FB control), 10 (controllability) posted.

Summary: (BIBO stability)

continuous-time

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{x}(t) = A_c \vec{x}(t) + \vec{w}(t)$$

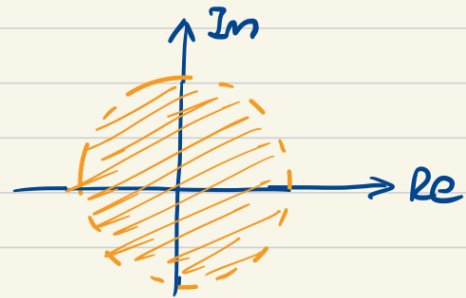


Stability
condition

$\text{Re } \lambda_k < 0$
for each eigenvalue
of A_c , $k=1, \dots, n$

discrete-time

$$\vec{x}[i+1] = A_d \vec{x}[i] + \vec{w}[i]$$



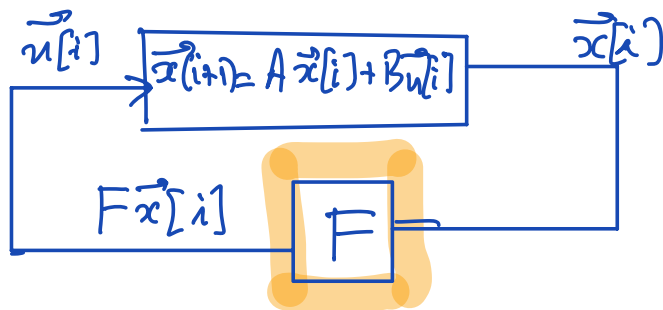
$|\lambda_k| < 1$
for each eigenvalue
of A_d , $k=1, \dots, n$

i.e. eigenvalues must be in the shaded regions above.

RECAP of Feedback Control:

Stabilization by Feed Back Control

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



Substitute $\vec{u}[i] = F \vec{x}[i]$ in $(*)$:

$$\vec{x}[i+1] = \underbrace{(A + BF)}_{A_{CL}} \vec{x}[i] + \vec{e}[i]$$

"closed-loop system"

$$A_{CL} = A + BF$$

closed-loop system matrix

open-loop system matrix

achievable using
linear FB control
policy:
 $\vec{u} = F \vec{x}$

EXAMPLE-1 (SCALAR) $x[i+1] = 2x[i] + u[i]$

→ unstable in "open-loop" system

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

Closed-loop, $x(i+1) = \underbrace{(2+bf)}_{a+bf} x(i)$

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

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

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

EXAMPLE-2

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

($m=1, n=2$)

$$A_{CL} = A + BF = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} f_1 & f_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ f_1 & f_2 \end{bmatrix}}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3+f_1 & 2+f_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

E-vals of A : (roots of characteristic polynomial)

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

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

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

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

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

$$\lambda = 3, -1$$

unstable!

E-vals of A_{CL}

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

$$\lambda^2 - (2 + f_2)\lambda - (3 + f_1) = 0 \quad (1)$$

If we want e-vals. of A_{CL} at λ_1, λ_2 .

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

By pattern-matching (1) & (2) : $-3 - f_1 = \lambda_1\lambda_2$

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

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

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

We can place e-vals. λ_1, λ_2 anywhere we want by designing f_1, f_2 according to (3), (4).!!!

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-vals. of A are $1, 2 \Rightarrow$ unstable!

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1+f_1 & 1+f_2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

e-vals of A_{CL} are $(1+f_1) \ \& \ 2.$

still unstable!

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

What makes Example 2 work and Example 3 fail?

Controllability:

$$\vec{x}[i+1] = A \vec{x}[i] + B u[i]$$

(assume
single
control
input)

$$i=0: \quad \vec{x}[1] = A \vec{x}[0] + B u[0]$$

$$i=1: \quad \vec{x}[2] = A \vec{x}[1] + B u[1]$$

$$= A^2 \vec{x}[0] + A B u[0] + B u[1]$$

⋮

$$i=l-1: \quad \vec{x}[l] = A^l \vec{x}[0] + A^{l-1} B u[0] + \dots$$

$$+ A B u[l-2] + B u[l-1]$$

$$\vec{x}[l] - A^l \vec{x}[0] = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A^{l-1} B & A^{l-2} B & \dots & A B & B \end{bmatrix}}_{\triangleq C_l} \begin{bmatrix} u[0] \\ u[1] \\ \vdots \\ u[l-1] \end{bmatrix}$$



"controllability matrix"

Q) Can we find sequence $\{u[0], u[1], \dots, u[l-1]\}$ that brings $\vec{x}[0]$ from any state @ time 0 to a target \vec{x}_{target} @ time l ?

Yes! if $\vec{x}_{\text{target}} - A^l \vec{x}[0]$ lies
in the COLUMN SPAN of

$$C_l \triangleq [A^{l-1}B \mid A^{l-2}B \mid \dots \mid AB \mid B]$$

"controllability": ability to reach
any target state \vec{x}_{target} from
any initial state $\vec{x}[0]$.

Defn:

A system is called controllable if
given any target state $\vec{x}_{\text{target}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
I.C. $\vec{x}[0]$, we can find an l
& an input sequence $\{u[0], \dots, u[l-1]\}$
s.t. $\vec{x}[l] = \vec{x}_{\text{target}}$.

So, in a word, you can go
anywhere in \mathbb{R}^n (\vec{x} is n -dimensional)

Q) How do we check this? If C_l has n linearly indep. columns, for some l , then the column space is \mathbb{R}^n . This means that we can make

" $C_l \begin{bmatrix} u[0] \\ \vdots \\ u[l-1] \end{bmatrix}$ " (RHS of $(*)$) anything in \mathbb{R}^n by choosing input control sequence $\{u[0], \dots, u[l-1]\}$,

If we assign $C_l \begin{bmatrix} x[0] \\ x[1] \\ \vdots \\ x[l-1] \end{bmatrix} = \vec{x}_{\text{target}} - A^l \vec{x}[0],$

then in $(*)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{x}[l] &= A^l \vec{x}[0] + C_l \begin{bmatrix} u[0] \\ \vdots \\ u[l-1] \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \cancel{A^l \vec{x}[0]} + \vec{x}_{\text{target}} - \cancel{A^l \vec{x}[0]} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \vec{x}_{\text{target}}$$

as desired.

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Ex. 2

$n=2$
 $m=1$

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

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

$$C_1 = B$$

(dim = 1)

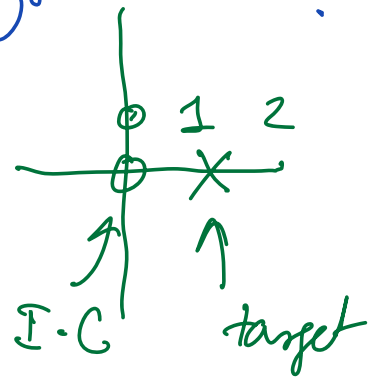
$$C_2 = [AB | B]$$

$$C_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{dim} = 2$$

controllable for $l=2$.

ex: $\vec{x}[0] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\vec{x}_{\text{target}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Can $\vec{x}[1] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$?

Can $\vec{x}[2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$?

$$\vec{x}[2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u[0] \\ u[1] \end{bmatrix}$$

If $\begin{bmatrix} u[0] \\ u[1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, then $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ as desired!

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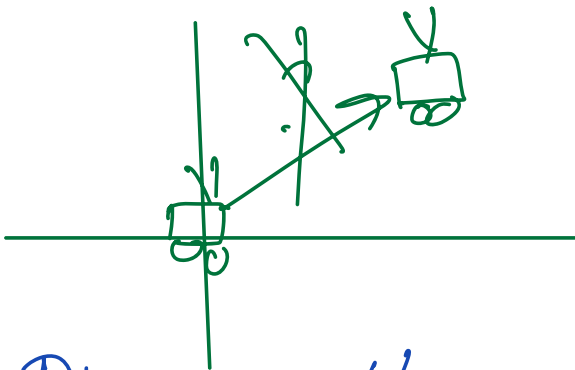
$$C_1 = B \quad (\dim = 1)$$

$$C_2 = [AB|B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\dim = 1)$$

$$C_3 = [A^2B|AB|B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(dim = 1)

not controllable for any l !



Dim. can't increase further:
stuck @ $1 < n = 2$.

What we observe about getting stuck is due to the following lemma

Lemma: If $A^l B$ is linearly dependent on $\{A^{l-1}B, A^{l-2}B, \dots, AB, B\}$, then $A^{l+1}B$ is also linearly dependent on $\{A^{l-1}B, \dots, AB, B\}$

Proof: $A^l B = \alpha_{l-1} A^{l-1} B + \dots + \alpha_1 AB + \alpha_0 B$
for some $\alpha_{l-1}, \dots, \alpha_1, \alpha_0$ by linear dependence.
Then, $A^{l+1} B$

$$= A \cdot A^l B$$

$$= A [\alpha_{l-1} A^{l-1} B + \dots + \alpha_1 AB + \alpha_0 B]$$

$$= \alpha_{l-1} A^l B + \alpha_{l-2} A^{l-1} B + \dots + \alpha_1 A^2 B + \alpha_0 AB$$

$$= \alpha_{l-1} [\alpha_{l-1} A^{l-1} B + \dots + \alpha_1 AB + \alpha_0 B]$$

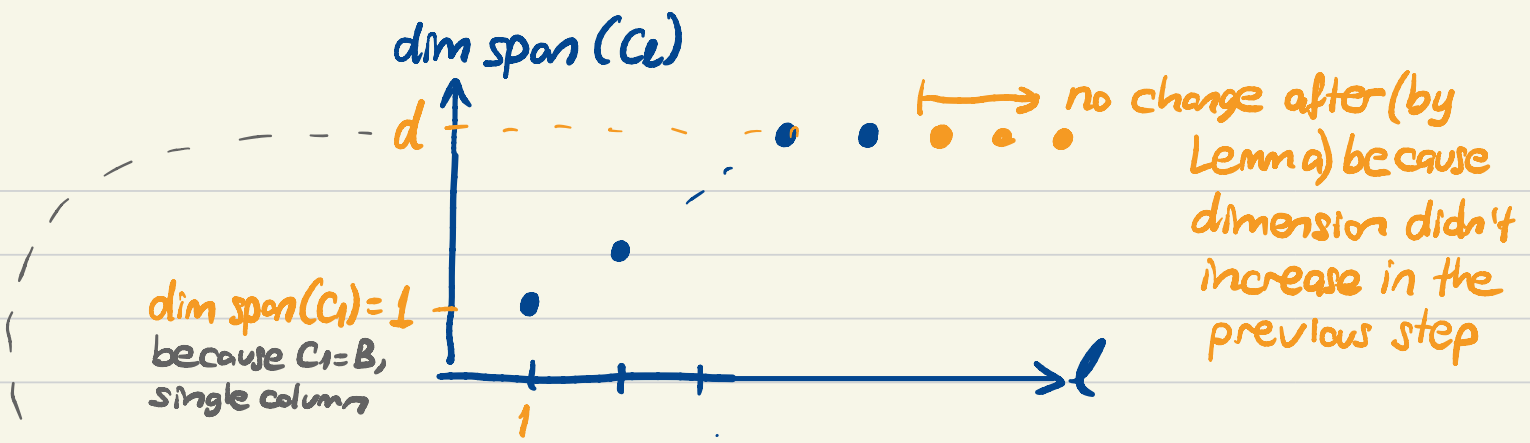
$$= * A^{l-1} B + * A^{l-2} B + \dots + * AB$$

$$+ * B$$

□

Lemma implies: if $\dim \text{span}(C_{t+1}) = \dim \text{span}(C_t) = d$, then $\dim \text{span}(C_{t+2}) = \dim \text{span}(C_{t+1}) = d$.

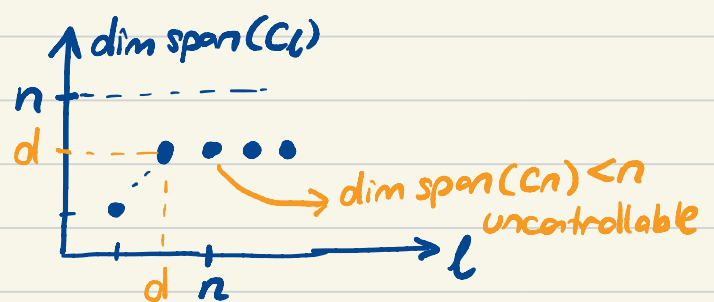
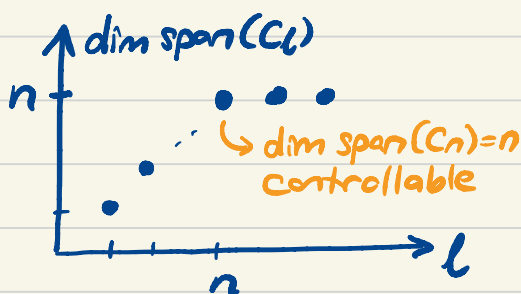
Once the dimension stops growing, it stops growing forever!



Let d denote the dimension at which we get stuck.
 If $d = n$: CONTROLLABLE
 If $d < n$: UNCONTROLLABLE (will never reach n).

We could write a code that increments l by one as long $\dim \text{span}(C_l)$ keeps growing and terminates once growth stops (it has to stop because dimension can't exceed n). Then we can apply the test above with the dimension d reached to check controllability...

OR we can be smarter: dimension grows by one at each step as long as it grows (we are adding a single column when we increment l by 1). If we are able to reach n , we will reach it at $l = n$. Otherwise, growth will have stopped before n , so $\dim \text{span}(C_n)$ will be $d < n$. Thus, all we have to do is check if $\dim \text{span}(C_n) = n$. Controllable if so, uncontrollable if not. One-shot test!



Controllability condition: $\dim \text{span}(C_n) = n$
 i.e., $C_n = [A^{n-1}B \ \dots \ AB \ B]$ has n linearly indep. columns.

FACT: Any controllable system

$$\vec{x}[n+1] = A \vec{x}[n] + B u[n];$$

(i.e. one having controllability matrix

$$C_n = \begin{bmatrix} A^{n-1}B & \dots & AB & B \end{bmatrix} \text{ that}$$

is rank- n & therefore invertible)

can be "transformed" to a canonical form.

$$\vec{y}[n+1] = A_y \vec{x}[n] + B_y u[n]$$

$$\text{where } A_y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ & I_{n-1} & & \\ \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \dots & \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ \& } B_y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\vec{y}[n] = T \vec{x}[n]$ for

a carefully chosen invertible transformation matrix T .