

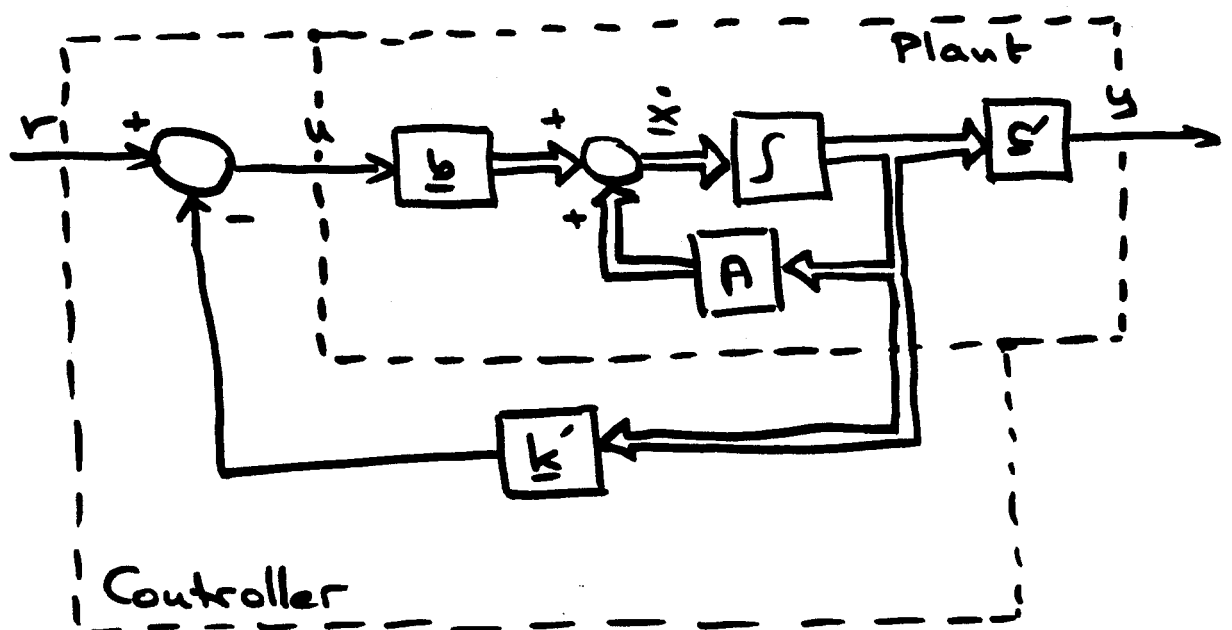
# System Design Using State Feedback

## I.) The Pole Placement Problem

Question: We want to design a controller which places the closed-loop system poles in a prescribed location.

Answer: This can be achieved by feeding back a linear combination of all states:

$$u = r - \underline{k}' \underline{x}$$



$$\begin{cases} \dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{x} + \underline{b}u \\ y = \underline{c}'\underline{x} + du \\ u = -\underline{k}'\underline{x} + r \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}_c \underline{x} + \underline{b}_c r \\ y = \underline{c}'_c \underline{x} + d_c r \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \underline{A}_c = \underline{A} - \underline{b}\underline{k}' \\ \underline{b}_c = \underline{b} \\ \underline{c}'_c = \underline{c}' - d\underline{k}' \\ d_c = d \end{cases}$$

Let us assume that our open-loop system was represented in a controller-canonical form:

$$\underline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \emptyset & \emptyset & \dots & \emptyset \\ a & \emptyset & \dots & \emptyset \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & \dots & -a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}; \underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} \emptyset \\ \vdots \\ \emptyset \end{bmatrix}; \underline{k} = \begin{bmatrix} k_0 \\ k_1 \\ \vdots \\ k_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{b}\underline{k}' = \begin{bmatrix} \emptyset & \emptyset & \dots & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \dots & \emptyset \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \dots & \emptyset \\ k_0 & k_1 & \dots & k_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{A}_c = \begin{bmatrix} \emptyset & \emptyset & \dots & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \dots & \emptyset \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \dots & \emptyset \\ -(a_0+k_0) & -(a_1+k_1) & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$  If the open-loop system was in controller canonical form, the closed-loop system will again be in controller-canonical form.

Example:

$$G(s) = \frac{5s+7}{s^2+8s-10}$$

$\uparrow$  instable

Find a state feedback which places the poles at  $\lambda_{1,2} = -1 \pm j$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow q_{cl}(s) &= (s-\lambda_1)(s-\lambda_2) \\ &= (s+1+j)(s+1-j) \\ &= s^2 + 2s + 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = -10 ; \quad a_0 + k_0 = 2 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{k_0 = 12}}$$

$$a_1 = 8 ; \quad a_1 + k_1 = 2 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{k_1 = -6}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{k = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}}}$$

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$$G_{OL} = \frac{5s+7}{s^2+8s-10}$$

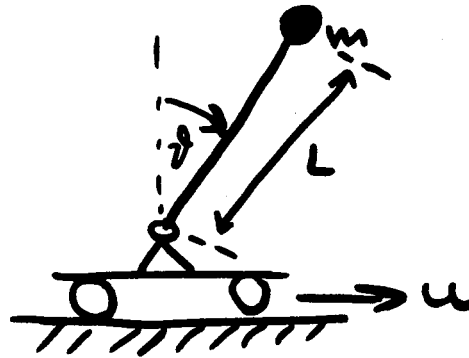
$$\Rightarrow \left| \begin{array}{l} \dot{\underline{x}}_{OL} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 10 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}_{OL} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u \\ y = [7 \quad 5] \underline{x} \end{array} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \begin{array}{l} \dot{\underline{x}}_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}_c + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u \\ y = [7 \quad 5] \underline{x}_c \end{array} \right|$$

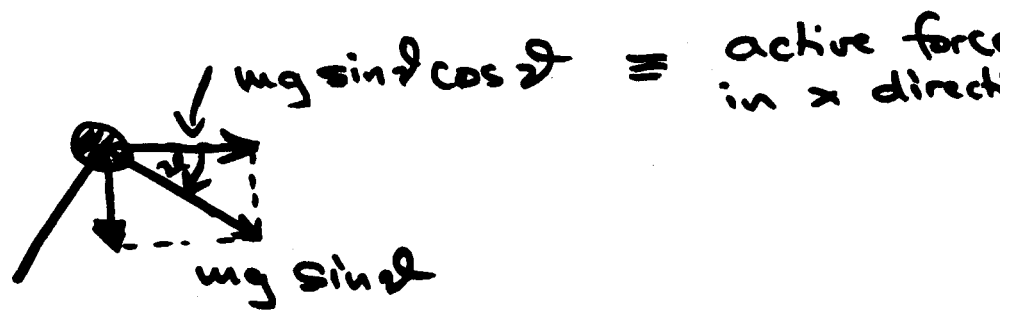
$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{G_{CL} = \frac{5s+7}{s^2+2s+2}}}$$

⇒ The poles have been placed where desired. The zeros have not moved as the direct coupling (d) was zero.

Example (Inverted Pendulum):



Eigen movement of the pendulum:



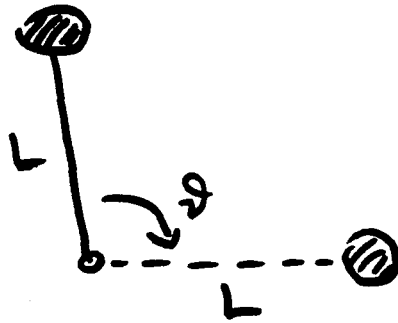
$$\Rightarrow m\ddot{x} = mg \sin\theta \cos\theta$$

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Let:  $x_1 = x$  ;  $x_2 = \dot{x}$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = g \sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta \end{cases}$$

Relation between  $x$  and  $\vartheta$ :



$$\vartheta = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 ;$$

$$\vartheta = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow x = L \quad \text{etc.}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = L \cdot \sin \vartheta = x_1$$

$$\dot{x} = L \cdot \cos \vartheta = x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = (g/L^2) \cdot x_1 x_2 \end{cases}$$

is a nonlinear system describing the motion of the pendulum without external force.

Small signal behavior:

$$\cos \vartheta \approx 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = (g/L) \cdot x_1 \end{cases}$$

is a linearized model  
around  $\vartheta = 0$ .

Goal: Make  $\ddot{x} = 0$ . We  
apply a movement to the  
cart which will counter =  
balance the eigenmovement.

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = (g/L) \cdot x_1 - (g/L) u \end{cases}$$

Output equation:

$$x = L \cdot \sin \vartheta \approx L \cdot \vartheta$$

$$\Rightarrow \vartheta = \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) x$$

but due to input:

$$\vartheta = \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) x - \left(\frac{1}{L}\right) u$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{\underline{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi & 1 \\ g/L & \phi \end{bmatrix} \underline{x} + \begin{bmatrix} \phi \\ -g/L \end{bmatrix} u \\ y = \begin{bmatrix} 1/L & \phi \end{bmatrix} \underline{x} + \begin{bmatrix} -1/L \end{bmatrix} u \end{cases}$$

is a description of the small signal behavior of the system around  $\mathcal{D}=\phi$ .

- We start by transforming the system into controller-canonical form:

$$\ddot{x} = \frac{g}{L} x - \frac{g}{L} u$$

$$\Rightarrow (s^2 - \frac{g}{L}) x = -\frac{g}{L} u$$

$$\Rightarrow X(s) = \frac{-g/L}{s^2 - g/L} U(s)$$

$$y = (\frac{1}{L}) x - (\frac{1}{L}) u$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(s) = \underbrace{\left[ \frac{-g/L^2}{s^2 - g/L} - \frac{1}{L} \right]}_{G(s)} U(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{\underline{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ g/L & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u \\ y = \begin{bmatrix} -g/L^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x} + \begin{bmatrix} -1/L \end{bmatrix} u \end{cases}$$

is the controller - canonical representation.

- We want the controlled system to be stable and non-oscillatory, e.g.

$$\underline{\lambda_1 = -2} ; \underline{\lambda_2 = -3}$$

$$\Rightarrow q_c(s) = (s+2)(s+3) = s^2 + 5s + 6$$

$$a_0 = -\frac{g}{L} ; a_0 + k_0 = 6 \Rightarrow \underline{k_0 = 6 + g/L}$$

$$a_1 = 0 ; a_1 + k_1 = 5 \Rightarrow \underline{k_1 = 5}$$

$$\underline{\underline{k = \begin{bmatrix} 6 + g/L \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\underline{x}}_{cl} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi & 1 \\ -6 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}_{cl} + \begin{bmatrix} \phi \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1cl} & c_{2cl} \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}_{cl} + \begin{bmatrix} -1/L \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$c_{1cl} = c_{1ol} - d \cdot k_0$$

$$= -\frac{9}{L^2} - \left(-\frac{1}{L}\right) \left(6 + \frac{9}{L}\right)$$

$$= 6/L$$

$$c_{2cl} = c_{2ol} - d \cdot k_1$$

$$= \phi - \left(-\frac{1}{L}\right) \cdot 5 = 5/L$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \begin{array}{l} \dot{\underline{x}}_{cl} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi & 1 \\ -6 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}_{cl} + \begin{bmatrix} \phi \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u \\ y = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{6}{L} & \frac{5}{L} \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}_{cl} + \begin{bmatrix} -1/L \end{bmatrix} u \end{array} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{G}_{cl}(s) = \frac{1}{L} \cdot \frac{5s+6}{s^2+5s+6} - \frac{1}{L}$$

Here, the zeros have also changed due to the direct coupling between input and output.

- We have seen that the controller-canonical form is particularly appealing for the design of controllers using the pole placement technique.

General algorithm:

$$\text{Given: } \begin{cases} \dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{x} + \underline{b}u \\ y = \underline{c}'\underline{x} + du \end{cases}$$

in any representation.

- (1) Find the transformation matrix to controller-canonical form:  $\underline{\xi} = \underline{T}_{ccf} \cdot \underline{x}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{\underline{\xi}} = \underline{A}_{ccf} \underline{\xi} + \underline{b}_{ccf} u \\ y = \underline{c}'_{ccf} \underline{\xi} + du \end{cases}$$

There is actually no need to perform the transformation  
 $\Rightarrow$  System must be controllable.

(2) Find the characteristic polynomial

$$q(s) = s^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_1s + a_0$$

(3) Determine the feedback vector  $\hat{\underline{k}}$  for controller-canonical coordinates:

$$u = r - \hat{\underline{k}}' \underline{\xi}$$

(4) This can now easily be transformed back to the original coordinate system.

$$\text{As } \underline{\xi} = T_{ccf} \cdot \underline{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow u = r - \underbrace{\hat{\underline{k}}' T_{ccf}}_{\underline{k}'} \cdot \underline{x}$$

$$\boxed{\underline{k}' = \hat{\underline{k}}' T_{ccf}}$$

is the feedback vector for the

original coordinate system, where  $T_{ccf}$  is the transformation matrix from the original representation into controller-canonical coordinates.

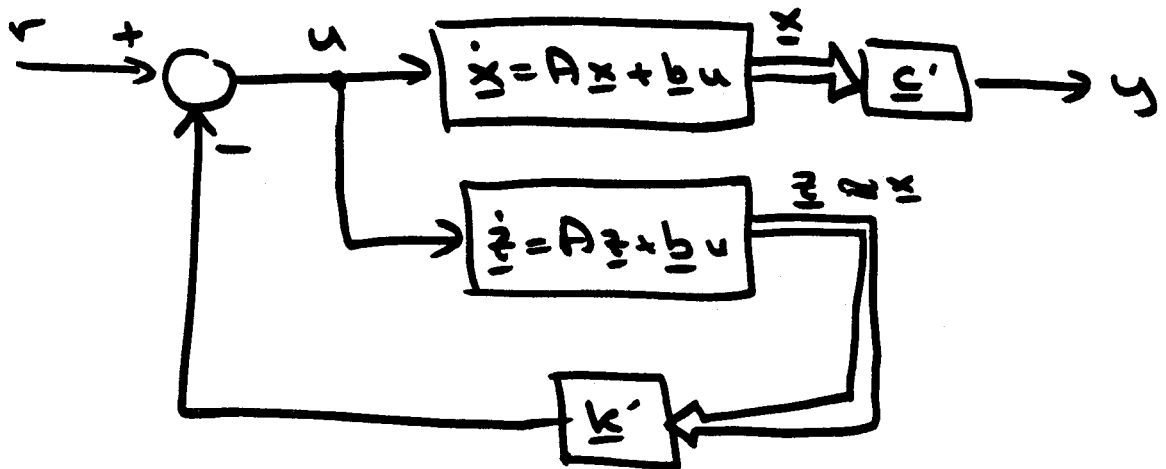
## II.) Observer Design

The principal shortcoming of all state-feedback techniques is the fact that all states need to be fed back and therefore measured. If the system to be controlled is "boxed up", and all I got available is the set of inputs and a limited set of outputs, I need to reconstruct the missing state variables from inputs

and outputs.

### A) Trivial Observer.

The idea is simple enough:



You build a model ( $\dot{z} = Az + bu$ ) of your system ( $\dot{x} = Ax + bu$ ). If the system and input matrices are the same, and if  $z_0 = x_0$ .  
 $\Rightarrow z = x$ , and we can use this for feedback.

Disadvantage: The smallest disturbance will separate the system behavior from the model behavior. We have

no means to control the error :

$$\underline{e} = \underline{z} - \underline{x}$$

Proof:  $\underline{\dot{e}} = \underline{\dot{z}} - \underline{\dot{x}} = A\underline{z} + \underline{b}u - A\underline{x} - \underline{b}u$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\dot{e}} = A\underline{z} - A\underline{x} = A(\underline{z} - \underline{x})$$

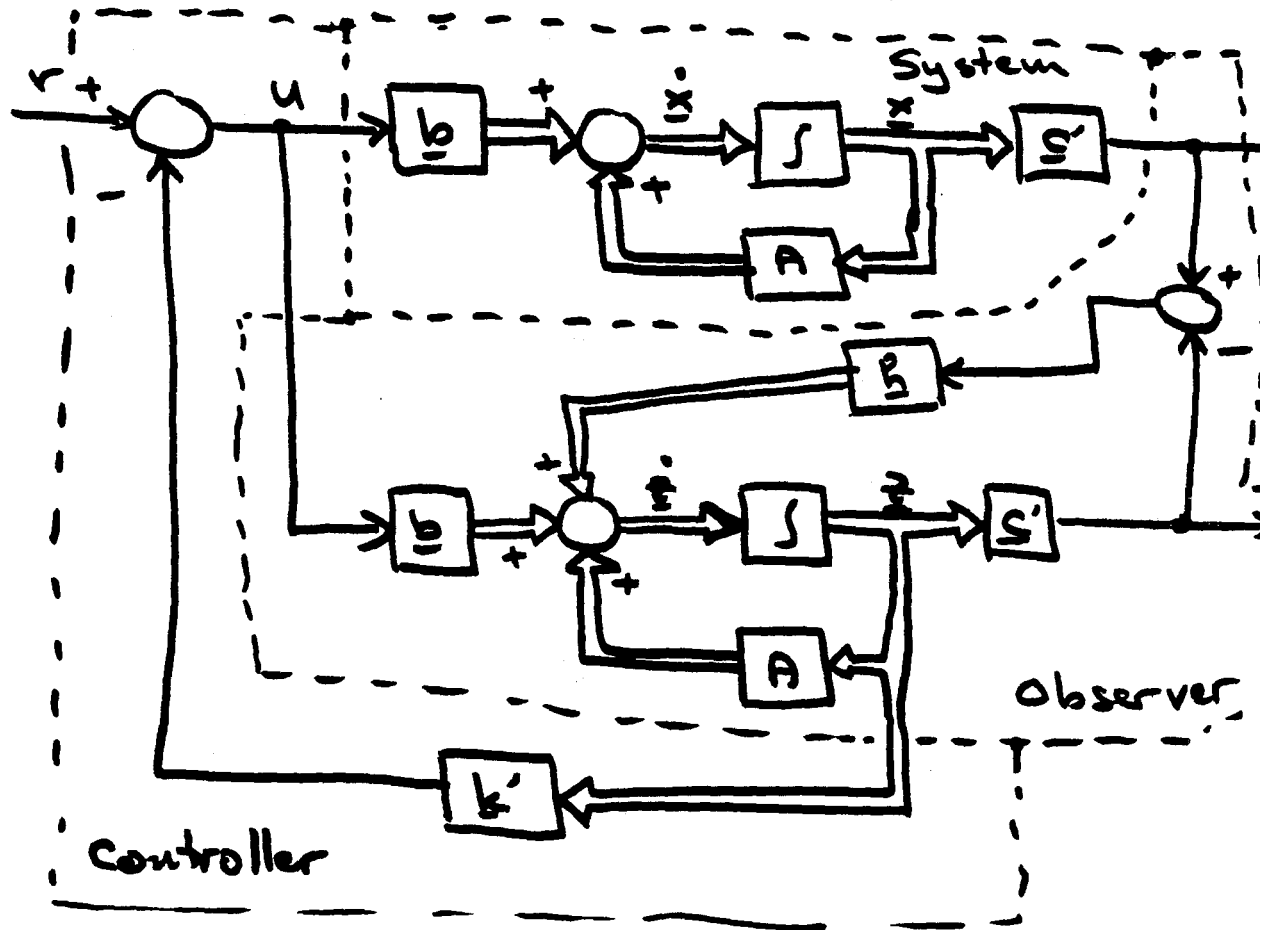
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\underline{\dot{e}} = A\underline{e}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  If the system (without control) was unstable, the error will grow without bounds.

## B) $n^{\text{th}}$ Order Luenberger Observer

The idea is again simple. We create a model of our system, and use the difference between model output and system output in a second feedback loop to

calibrate the model:



System: 
$$\begin{cases} \dot{\underline{x}} = A\underline{x} + \underline{b}u \\ y = \underline{c}'\underline{x} + du \end{cases}$$

Observer: 
$$\begin{cases} \dot{\underline{z}} = A\underline{z} + \underline{b}u + \underline{p}(y - \hat{y}) \\ \hat{y} = \underline{c}'\underline{z} + du \end{cases}$$

Controller: 
$$u = r - \underline{k}'\underline{z}$$

Let us look into the error equation now:

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{e} &= \underline{z} - \underline{x} \\ \Rightarrow \dot{\underline{e}} &= \dot{\underline{z}} - \dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{z} + \underline{b}u + \underline{h}(y - \hat{y}) - \underline{A}\underline{x} - \underline{b}u \\ &= \underline{A}(\underline{z} - \underline{x}) + \underline{h}(\underline{c}'\underline{x} + du - \underline{c}'\underline{z} - du) \\ &= \underline{A}\underline{e} + \underline{h}\underline{c}'(\underline{x} - \underline{z}) \\ &= \underline{A}\underline{e} - \underline{h}\underline{c}'\underline{e} \\ \Rightarrow \boxed{\dot{\underline{e}} &= (\underline{A} - \underline{h}\underline{c}')\underline{e}}\end{aligned}$$

Let us look at the dual system:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\underline{y}} &= (\underline{A} - \underline{h}\underline{c}')'\underline{y} \\ \Rightarrow \boxed{\dot{\underline{y}} &= (\underline{A}' - \underline{c}\underline{h}')\underline{y}}\end{aligned}$$

This takes the same form as our previous problem:

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = (\underline{A} - \underline{b}\underline{k}')\underline{x} + \underline{b}r$$

$\Rightarrow$  By selecting  $\underline{h}$  appropriately we can place our poles of the error equation anywhere, as long as the dual system is completely controllable ( $\Rightarrow$  the error system must be completely observable).

Algorithm:

Assume your system was in observer-canonical form:

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \dot{\underline{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi & & -a_0 \\ & \ddots & -a_1 \\ \phi & & -a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \underline{x} + \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} u \\ y = [\phi \dots \phi \ 1] \underline{x} + [d]u \end{array} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{h}' = \begin{bmatrix} h_0 \\ h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} [\phi \dots \phi \ 1] = \begin{bmatrix} \phi \dots \phi \ h_0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \phi \dots \phi \ h_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A_{obs} = A - \underline{p} \underline{c}' = \begin{bmatrix} \diagup & \emptyset & -(a_0 + p_0) \\ & \ddots & -(a_1 + p_1) \\ \emptyset & \diagdown & \vdots \\ & & -(a_{n-1} + p_{n-1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

is again in observer-canonical form. The algorithm is completely dual to the previous one.

- If the system is not represented in observer-canonical form, we start by finding the transformation matrix to convert to observer-canonical form:

$$\underline{z} = T_{ocf} \cdot \underline{x} ; \quad \underline{y} = T_{ocf} \cdot \underline{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow A_{obs} = \hat{A} - \hat{\underline{p}} \hat{\underline{c}}'$$

$$\dot{\underline{z}} = \hat{A} \underline{z} + \hat{\underline{p}} (y - \hat{y}) + \hat{\underline{b}} u$$

$$\Rightarrow T_{ocf} \dot{\underline{z}} = T_{ocf} A \underbrace{T_{ocf}^{-1} T_{ocf}}_I \cdot \underline{z} + \hat{\underline{p}} (y - \hat{y}) + T_{ocf} \underline{b}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \dot{\underline{z}} = A \cdot \underline{z} + \underbrace{T_{OCF}^{-1} \cdot \hat{\underline{p}}}_{\underline{p}} \cdot (y - \hat{y}) + \underline{b} \cdot u$$

- If the model is not given in observer-canonical form, the correct  $\underline{p}$ -vector can be found by calculating the feedback vector for the observer-canonical form, and then:

$$\boxed{\underline{p} = T_{OCF}^{-1} \cdot \hat{\underline{p}}}$$

Of course, we would not have needed this algorithm due to the duality principle.

In Matlab:

Form a vector of the desired pole locations:

$$P = [-1; -2+j; -2-j]$$

then:

$$k = \text{PLACE}(A, B, P)$$

solves the pole placement problem for single-input systems in arbitrary coordinates.

. The observer design is done through duality:

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} R = \text{PLACE}(A', (E')', P_2) \\ R = R' \end{array} \right|$$

will compute the observer feedback vector for single-output systems in arbitrary coordinates.

Question: How can we be sure that our observer design does not influence the controller design?

Given the system:

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{x} + \underline{b}u \\ y = \underline{c}'\underline{x} + du \\ \dot{\underline{z}} = \underline{A}\underline{z} + \underline{b}u + \underline{B}(y - \hat{y}) \\ \hat{y} = \underline{c}'\underline{z} + du \\ u = r - \underline{k}'\underline{z} \end{array} \right|$$

Let us find a total state space representation choosing  $\underline{x}$  and  $\underline{e} = \underline{z} - \underline{x}$  as our  $2n$  state variables:

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{x} + \underline{b}u \\ y = \underline{c}'\underline{x} + du \\ \dot{\underline{e}} = (\underline{A} - \underline{B}\underline{c}')\underline{e} \\ u = r - \underline{k}'(\underline{e} + \underline{x}) \end{array} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{A}\underline{x} + \underline{b}r - \underline{b}\underline{k}'\underline{e} - \underline{b}\underline{k}'\underline{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\underline{x}} = (\underline{A} - \underline{b}\underline{k}')\underline{x} - \underline{b}\underline{k}'\underline{e} + \underline{b}r$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\underline{x}} \\ \dot{\underline{e}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (A - \underline{b}\underline{k}') & (-\underline{b}\underline{k}') \\ \varnothing & (A - \underline{p}\underline{c}') \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{x} \\ \underline{e} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \underline{b} \\ \varnothing \end{bmatrix} r$$

- We notice that this is a block-triangular representation

$$\Rightarrow \text{Eig}\{A_c\} = \underbrace{\text{Eig}\{A - \underline{b}\underline{k}'\}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{controller} \\ \text{poles}}}, \underbrace{\text{Eig}\{A - \underline{p}\underline{c}'\}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{observer} \\ \text{pole}}}$$

- We also notice that all observer poles are uncontrollable and thus do not influence the input/output behavior.

$\Rightarrow$  A "minimal" realization is:

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = (A - \underline{b}\underline{k}') \underline{x} + \underline{b}r$$

as desired.