

# Stability

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## LAST TIME

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + Bu \\ u &= -Kx\end{aligned}$$



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



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

← state-space model (dynamics)  
← linear state feedback (controller)

← closed-loop system

← solution (by matrix exponential)

## THIS TIME

Predict what will happen without simulation  
and without solving for  $x(t)$

## LOOKED AT EXAMPLES



- what does "good" and "bad" mean?
  - └ in animation
  - └ in plots
- how do the terms in  $x(t)$  differ for "good" and "bad" results?
- what is the correspondence between the terms in  $x(t)$  and the eigenvalues of  $A - BK$ ?

## DEFINITION

The closed-loop system

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

is called **asymptotically stable** if

$$x(t) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

for any  $x(0)$ .

## THEOREM

The closed-loop system

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

is **asymptotically stable** if and only if all eigenvalues of

$$A - BK$$

have negative real part.