

Observers (Part 2)

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$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + Bu \\ y &= Cx\end{aligned}$$

state ↓
input ↓
↑ output

← dynamic model
← sensor model

$$u = -K \hat{x}$$

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = A \hat{x} + Bu - L(C \hat{x} - y)$$

← controller
← observer

How TO IMPLEMENT IT ?

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + Bu \\ y &= Cx\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}u &= -K \hat{x} \\ \dot{\hat{x}} &= A \hat{x} + Bu - L(C \hat{x} - y)\end{aligned}$$

RESET { $\hat{x}(0) = 0$

RUN { $\begin{aligned} &\vdots \\ u(t) &= -K \hat{x}(t) \\ \hat{x}(t+\Delta t) &\approx \hat{x}(t) + \Delta t (A \hat{x}(t) + Bu(t) - L(C \hat{x}(t) - y(t))) \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$

WHEN DOES IT WORK?

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + Bu \\ y &= Cx\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}u &= -K\hat{x} \\ \dot{\hat{x}} &= A\hat{x} + Bu - L(C\hat{x} - y)\end{aligned}$$

$$x_{err} = \hat{x} - x \quad \leftarrow \text{does this converge to zero or not?}$$

$$\dot{x}_{err} = \dot{\hat{x}} - \dot{x}$$

$$= (A\hat{x} + Bu - L(C\hat{x} - y)) - (Ax + Bu)$$

$$= A\hat{x} + \cancel{Bu} - LC\hat{x} + Ly - Ax - \cancel{Bu}$$

$$= A\hat{x} - Ax - LC\hat{x} + LCx$$

$$= A(\hat{x} - x) - LC(\hat{x} - x)$$

$$= (A - LC)(\hat{x} - x)$$

$$\dot{x}_{err} = (A - LC)x_{err}$$

How to choose L ?

FACTS

$$\begin{aligned}(M+N)^T &= M^T + N^T \\ (MN)^T &= N^T M^T \\ \det(M) &= \det(M^T)\end{aligned}$$

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

$$\dot{x}_{err} = (A - LC)x_{err}$$

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

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



$$= \det((sI - (A - LC))^T)$$

$K = \text{place_poles}(A, B, p_c) \cdot \text{gain_matrix}$

$$= \det((sI)^T - (A - LC)^T)$$

$$= \det(sI - (A^T - (LC)^T))$$

$$= \det(sI - (A^T - C^T L^T))$$

$L = \text{place_poles}(A.T, C.T, p_o) \cdot \text{gain_matrix.T}$

WHEN IS OBSERVER DESIGN POSSIBLE?

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

controllable when

$$W_c = [B \quad AB \quad A^2B \quad \dots \quad A^{n-1}B]$$

is full rank

$$\dot{x}_{err} = (A - LC)x_{err}$$

observable when

$$W_o = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ CA^2 \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \longleftrightarrow [C^T \quad A^T C^T \quad (A^T)^2 C^T \quad \dots \quad]$$

is full rank