# 16.323 Lecture 11

 ${\sf Estimators}/{\sf Observers}$ 

- Bryson
- Gelb Optimal Estimation

- **Problem:** So far we have assumed that we have full access to the state  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  when we designed our controllers.
  - Most often all of this information is not available.
  - And certainly there is usually error in our knowledge of  $\mathbf{x}$ .
- Usually can only feedback information that is developed from the sensors measurements.
  - Could try "output feedback"  $\mathbf{u} = K\mathbf{x} \Rightarrow \mathbf{u} = \hat{K}\mathbf{y}$
  - But this is type of controller is hard to design.
- Alternative approach: Develop a replica of the dynamic system that provides an "estimate" of the system states based on the measured output of the system.
- New plan: called a "separation principle"
  - 1. Develop estimate of  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ , called  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ .
  - 2. Then switch from  $\mathbf{u} = -K\mathbf{x}(t)$  to  $\mathbf{u} = -K\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ .
- Two key questions:
  - How do we find  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ ?
  - Will this new plan work? (yes, and very well)

• Assume that the system model is of the form:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{u}$$
,  $\mathbf{x}(0)$  unknown  
 $\mathbf{y} = C_y \mathbf{x}$ 

where

- -A, B, and  $C_y$  are known possibly time-varying, but that is suppressed here.
- $-\mathbf{u}(t)$  is known
- Measurable outputs are  $\mathbf{y}(t)$  from  $C_y \neq I$

• Goal: Develop a dynamic system whose state

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t)$$

for all time  $t \ge 0$ . Two primary approaches:

- Open-loop.
- Closed-loop.

# **Open-loop Estimator** 16.323 11-3

 Given that we know the plant matrices and the inputs, we can just perform a simulation that runs in parallel with the system

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u}(t)$$

- Then  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \equiv \mathbf{x}(t) \ \forall \ t$  provided that  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(0) = \mathbf{x}(0)$ 

• Major Problem: We do not know  $\mathbf{x}(0)$ 



• To analyze this case, start with:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = A\mathbf{x}(t) + B\mathbf{u}(t)$$
$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = A\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + B\mathbf{u}(t)$$

• Define the estimation error:  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ . - Now want  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}(t) = 0 \forall t$ , but is this realistic?

• Subtract to get:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}) = A(\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = A\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$

which has the solution

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}(t) = e^{At} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}(0)$$

- Gives the estimation error in terms of the initial error.

- Does this guarantee that x̃ = 0 ∀ t?
   Or even that x̃ → 0 as t → ∞? (which is a more realistic goal).
  - Response is fine if  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}(0) = 0$ . But what if  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}(0) \neq 0$ ?
- If A stable, then x̃ → 0 as t → ∞, but the dynamics of the estimation error are completely determined by the open-loop dynamics of the system (eigenvalues of A).
  - Could be very slow.
  - No obvious way to modify the estimation error dynamics.
- Open-loop estimation does not seem to be a very good idea.

# Closed-loop Estimator 16.323 11-5

- Obvious fix to problem: use the additional information available:
  - How well does the estimated output match the measured output?

Compare: 
$$\mathbf{y} = C_y \mathbf{x}$$
 with  $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = C_y \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ 

- Then form  $\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}} \equiv C_y \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ 



• Approach: Feedback  $\tilde{y}$  to improve our estimate of the state. Basic form of the estimator is:

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = A\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + B\mathbf{u}(t) + L\tilde{\mathbf{y}}(t)$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}(t) = C_y\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$$

where L is a user selectable gain matrix.

• Analysis:

$$\dot{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} = \dot{\mathbf{x}} - \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} = [A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{u}] - [A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u} + L(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})]$$
$$= A(\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}) - L(C\mathbf{x} - C_y\hat{\mathbf{x}})$$
$$= A\tilde{\mathbf{x}} - LC_y\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = (A - LC_y)\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$

• So the closed-loop estimation error dynamics are now

$$\dot{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} = (A - LC_y)\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$
 with solution  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}(t) = e^{(A - LC_y)t} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}(0)$ 

- Bottom line: Can select the gain L to attempt to improve the convergence of the estimation error (and/or speed it up).
  - But now must worry about observability of the system model.

- Note the similarity:
  - **Regulator Problem:** pick K for A BK
    - $\diamond$  Choose  $K \in \mathcal{R}^{1 imes n}$  (SISO) such that the closed-loop poles

$$\det(sI - A + BK) = \Phi_c(s)$$

are in the desired locations.

- Estimator Problem: pick L for  $A LC_y$
- $\diamond$  Choose  $L \in \mathcal{R}^{n \times 1}$  (SISO) such that the closed-loop poles

$$\det(sI - A + LC_y) = \Phi_o(s)$$

are in the desired locations.

These problems are obviously very similar – in fact they are called dual problems.

# Estimation Gain Design

- For regulation, concerned with controllability of [A, B], ⇒ For controllable system, can place eigenvalues of A – BK arbitrarily.
- For estimation, concerned with observability of  $[A, C_y]$ ,  $\Rightarrow$  For observable system, can place eigenvalues of  $A LC_y$  arbitrarily.
- Test using the observability matrix (SISO case):

$$\texttt{rank } \mathcal{M}_o \triangleq \texttt{rank} \left[ \begin{array}{c} C_y \\ C_y A \\ C_y A^2 \\ \vdots \\ C_y A^{n-1} \end{array} \right] = n$$

- Procedure for selecting L similar to that used for regulator design.
  - Note: poles of  $(A LC_y)$  and  $(A LC_y)^T$  are identical.
  - Also have that  $(A LC_y)^T = A^T C_y^T L^T$
  - So designing  $L^T$  for this transposed system looks like a standard regulator problem (A BK) where

$$\begin{array}{rccc} A & \Rightarrow & A^T \\ B & \Rightarrow & C_y^T \\ K & \Rightarrow & L^T \end{array}$$

So we can use  $K_e = \texttt{acker}(A^T, C_y^T, P) \ , \quad L \equiv K_e^T$ 

Note that the estimator equivalent of Ackermann's formula is that

$$L = \Phi_e(s) \mathcal{M}_o^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

• Simple system (see page 11-21)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1.5 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$C_y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = 0$$

- Assume that the initial conditions are not well known.
- System stable, but  $\lambda_{\max}(A) = -0.18$
- Test observability:

$$\operatorname{rank} \left[ \begin{array}{c} C_y \\ C_y A \end{array} \right] = \operatorname{rank} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1.5 \end{array} \right]$$

- Use open and closed-loop estimators. Since the initial conditions are not well known, use  $\hat{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- Open-loop estimator:

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u}$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = C_y\hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

• Closed-loop estimator:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u} + L\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u} + L(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})$$
$$= (A - LC_y)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u} + L\mathbf{y}$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = C_y\hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

- Dynamic system with poles  $\lambda_i(A - LC_y)$  that takes the measured plant outputs as an input and generates an estimate of  $\mathbf{x}$ .

- Typically simulate both systems together for simplicity
- Open-loop case:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{x}} &= A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{y} &= C_y \mathbf{x} \\ \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} &= A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u} \\ \hat{\mathbf{y}} &= C_y \hat{\mathbf{x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{x}} \\ \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ B \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} , \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(0) \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \hat{\mathbf{y}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_y & 0 \\ 0 & C_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}} \end{bmatrix}$$

• Closed-loop case:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{u}$$
$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} = (A - LC_y)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u} + LC_y\mathbf{x}$$
$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{x}} \\ \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ LC_y & A - LC_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ B \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}$$

• Example uses a strong  $\mathbf{u}(t)$  to shake things up



Figure 1: Open-loop estimator. Estimation error converges to zero, but very slowly.



Figure 2: Closed-loop estimator. Convergence looks much better.

# **Estimator Poles?**

- Location heuristics for poles still apply use Bessel, ITAE, ...
  - Main difference: probably want to make the estimator faster than you intend to make the regulator should enhance the control, which is based on  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ .
  - ROT: Factor of 2–3 in the time constant  $\zeta \omega_n$  associated with the regulator poles.
- Note: When designing a regulator, were concerned with "bandwidth" of the control getting too high ⇒ often results in control commands that *saturate* the actuators and/or change rapidly.
- Different concerns for the estimator:
  - Loop closed inside computer, so saturation not a problem.
  - However, the measurements y are often "noisy", and we need to be careful how we use them to develop our state estimates.
- ⇒ High bandwidth estimators tend to accentuate the effect of sensing noise in the estimate.
  - State estimates tend to "track" the measurements, which are fluctuating randomly due to the noise.
- $\Rightarrow$  Low bandwidth estimators have lower gains and tend to rely more heavily on the plant model
  - Essentially an open-loop estimator tends to ignore the measurements and just uses the plant model.

# **Optimal Estimator**

- Can also develop an **optimal estimator** for this type of system.
  - Given the duality of the regulator and estimator seen so far, would expect to see close connection between the optimal estimator and the optimal regulator (LQR)
- Key step is to balance the effect of the various types of random noise in the system on the estimator:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{u} + B_w \mathbf{w}$$
$$\mathbf{y} = C_y \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{v}$$

- $-\mathbf{w}$ : "process noise" models uncertainty in the system model.
- $-\mathbf{v}$ : "sensor noise" models uncertainty in the measurements.
- Typically assume that w(t) and v(t) are
  - Zero mean:  $E[\mathbf{w}(t)] = 0$
  - Gaussian white random noises: no correlation between the noise at one time instant and another

$$E[\mathbf{w}(t_1)\mathbf{w}(t_2)^T] = R_{ww}(t_1)\delta(t_1 - t_2) \implies \mathbf{w}(t) \sim N(0, R_{ww})$$
$$E[\mathbf{v}(t_1)\mathbf{v}(t_2)^T] = R_{vv}(t_1)\delta(t_1 - t_2) \implies \mathbf{v}(t) \sim N(0, R_{vv})$$
$$E[\mathbf{w}(t_1)\mathbf{v}(t_2)^T] = 0$$

• Goal: develop an estimator  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$  which is a linear function of the measurements  $\mathbf{y}(\tau)$   $(0 \le \tau \le t)$  and minimizes the function

$$E\left[(\mathbf{x}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))(\mathbf{x}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))^T\right]$$

which is the covariance for the estimation error.

Solution is a closed-loop estimator

 $\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + L(t)(\mathbf{y}(t) - C_y\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))$ 

where  $L(t) = Q(t)C_y^T R_{vv}^{-1}$  and  $Q(t) \ge 0$  solves

$$\dot{Q} = AQ + QA^T + B_w R_{ww} B_w^T - QC_y^T R_{vv}^{-1} C_y Q$$

- Note that  $\hat{x}(0)$  and Q(0) are known
- Differential equation for Q solved forward in time.
- This is the filter form of the differential matrix Riccati equation for the error covariance.
- Called Kalman-Bucy Filter linear quadratic estimator (LQE)
- Note that an increase in Q corresponds to increased uncertainty in the state estimate. Q has several contributions:
  - $-AQ + QA^T$  is the homogeneous part
  - $-B_w R_{ww} B_w^T$  increase due to the process measurements
  - $-QC_y^T R_{vv}^{-1} C_y Q$  decrease due to measurements
- The estimator gain is  $L(t) = Q(t)C_y^T R_{vv}^{-1}$ 
  - If the uncertainty about the state is high, then Q is large, and so the innovation  $\mathbf{y} C_y \hat{\mathbf{x}}$  is weighted heavily  $(L \uparrow)$
  - If the measurements are very accurate  $R_{vv}\downarrow$ , then the measurements are heavily weighted

• With noise in the system, the model is of the form:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{u} + B_w\mathbf{w}$$
,  $\mathbf{y} = C_y\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{v}$ 

- And the estimator is of the form:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u} + L(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}) , \quad \hat{\mathbf{y}} = C_y\hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

• Analysis: in this case:

$$\dot{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} = \dot{\mathbf{x}} - \dot{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} = [A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{u} + B_w\mathbf{w}] - [A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + B\mathbf{u} + L(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})]$$

$$= A(\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}) - L(C_y\mathbf{x} - C_y\hat{\mathbf{x}}) + B_w\mathbf{w} - L\mathbf{v}$$

$$= A\tilde{\mathbf{x}} - LC_y\tilde{\mathbf{x}} + B_w\mathbf{w} - L\mathbf{v}$$

$$= (A - LC_y)\tilde{\mathbf{x}} + B_w\mathbf{w} - L\mathbf{v}$$

- This equation of the estimation error **explicitly** shows the conflict in the estimator design process. Must balance between:
  - Speed of the estimator decay rate, which is governed by  $\lambda_i(A-LC_y)$
  - Impact of the sensing noise  ${f v}$  through the gain L
- Fast state reconstruction requires rapid decay rate (typically requires a large *L*), but that tends to magnify the effect of **v** on the estimation process.
  - The effect of the process noise is always there, but the choice of L will tend to mitigate/accentuate the effect of  $\mathbf{v}$  on  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ .
- Kalman Filter provides an optimal balance between the two conflicting problems for a given "size" of the process and sensing noises.

- Assume that
  - 1.  $R_{vv} > 0$ ,  $R_{ww} > 0$
  - 2. All plant dynamics are constant in time
  - 3.  $[A, C_y]$  detectable
  - 4.  $[A, B_w]$  stabilizable

• Then, as with the LQR problem, the covariance of the LQE quickly settles down to a constant  $Q_{ss}$  independent of Q(0), as  $t \to \infty$  where

$$AQ_{ss} + Q_{ss}A^T + B_w R_{ww}B_w^T - Q_{ss}C_y^T R_{vv}^{-1}C_y Q_{ss} = 0$$

- Stabilizable/detectable gives a unique  $Q_{ss} \geq 0$
- $-Q_{ss} > 0$  iff  $[A, B_w]$  controllable  $-L_{ss} = Q_{ss}C_y^T R_{vv}^{-1}$

• If  $Q_{ss}$  exists, the steady state filter

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} + L_{ss}(\mathbf{y}(t) - C_y\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)) = (A - L_{ss}C_y)\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + L_{ss}\mathbf{y}(t)$$

is asymptotically stable iff (1)-(4) above hold.

- Given that  $\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} = (A LC_y)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + L\mathbf{y}$
- Consider a scalar system, and take the Laplace transform of both sides to get:

$$\frac{\hat{X}(s)}{Y(s)} = \frac{L}{sI - (A - LC_y)}$$

- This is the transfer function from the "measurement" to the "estimated state"
  - It looks like a low-pass filter.
- Clearly, by lowering  $R_{vv}$ , and thus increasing L, we are pushing out the pole.
  - DC gain asymptotes to  $1/C_y$  as  $L \to \infty$



Example 11–2

Lightly Damped Harmonic Oscillator

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega_0^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} w$$

and  $y = x_1 + v$ , where  $R_{ww} = 1$  and  $R_{vv} = r$ .

- Can sense the position state of the oscillator, but want to develop an estimator to reconstruct the velocity state.
- Symmetric root locus exists for the optimal estimator. Can find location of the optimal poles using a SRL based on the TF

$$G_{yw}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 \\ \omega_0^2 & s \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{s^2 + \omega_0^2} = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}$$

– SRL for the closed-loop poles  $\lambda_i(A-LC)$  of the estimator which are the LHP roots of:

$$D(s)D(-s) \pm \frac{R_{ww}}{R_{vv}}N(s)N(-s) = 0$$

- Pick sign to ensure that there are no poles on the  $j\omega$ -axis (other than for a gain of zero)
- So we must find the LHP roots of



• Note that as  $r \to 0$  (clean sensor), the estimator poles tend to  $\infty$  along the ±45 deg asymptotes, so the poles are approximately

$$s \approx \frac{-1 \pm j}{\sqrt{r}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Phi_e(s) = s^2 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}}s + \frac{2}{r} = 0$$

• Can use these estimate pole locations in acker, to get that

$$L = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega_0^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^2 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega_0^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{2}{r} I \right) \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{r} - \omega_0^2 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} \\ -\frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} \omega_0^2 & \frac{2}{r} - \omega_0^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} \\ \frac{2}{r} - \omega_0^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Given L, A, and C, we can develop the estimator transfer function from the measurement y to the  $\hat{x}_2$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\hat{x}_2}{y} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \left( sI - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega_0^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} \\ \frac{2}{r} - \omega_0^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} \\ \frac{2}{r} - \omega_0^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s + \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} & -1 \\ \frac{2}{r} & s \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} \\ \frac{2}{r} - \omega_0^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s & 1 \\ \frac{-2}{r} & s + \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} \\ \frac{2}{r} - \omega_0^2 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s^2 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}}s + \frac{2}{r}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{-2}{r} \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}} + (s + \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}})(\frac{2}{r} - \omega_0^2)}{s^2 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}}s + \frac{2}{r}} \approx \frac{s - \sqrt{r}\omega_0^2}{s^2 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{r}}s + \frac{2}{r}} \end{aligned}$$

- Filter zero asymptotes to s=0 as  $r\to 0$  and the two poles  $\to\infty$
- Resulting estimator looks like a "band-limited" differentiator.
  - This was expected because we measure position and want to estimate velocity.
  - Frequency band over which we are willing to perform the differentiation determined by the "relative cleanliness" of the measurements.



Figure 3: Bandlimited differentiation of the position measurement from LQE:  $r=10^{-2},\,r=10^{-4},\,r=10^{-6},$  and  $r=10^{-8}$ 

- Note that the feedback gain L in the estimator only stabilizes the estimation error.
  - If the system is unstable, then the state estimates will also go to  $\infty,$  with zero error from the actual states.
- Estimation is an important concept of its own.
  - Not always just "part of the control system"
  - Critical issue for guidance and navigation system
- More complete discussion requires that we study stochastic processes and optimization theory.
- Estimation is all about which do you trust more: your measurements or your model.
- Strong duality between LQR and LQE problems

$$\begin{array}{cccc} A & \to & A^T \\ B & \to & C_y^T \\ C_z & \to & B_w^T \\ R_{zz} & \to & R_{ww} \\ R_{uu} & \to & R_{vv} \\ K(t) & \to & L^T(t_f - t) \\ P(t) & \to & Q(t_f - t) \end{array}$$

# Basic Estimator (examp1.m) (See page 11-8)

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% Examples of estimator performance
    % Jonathan How, MIT
^{2}
    % 16.333 Fall 2005
3
 4
    %
    % plant dynamics
5
6
    %
    a=[-1 1.5;1 -2];b=[1 0]';c=[1 0];d=0;
 7
    %
8
    % estimator gain calc
9
10
    %
    l=place(a',c',[-3 -4]);l=l'
11
12
    % plant initial cond
13
    xo=[-.5;-1];
14
15
    % extimator initial cond
    xe=[0 0]';
16
17
    t=[0:.1:10];
18
    % inputs
19
20
    %
^{21}
    u=0;u=[ones(15,1);-ones(15,1);ones(15,1)/2;-ones(15,1)/2;zeros(41,1)];
^{22}
    %
    % open-loop extimator
^{23}
24
    %
    A_ol=[a zeros(size(a));zeros(size(a)) a];
25
    B_ol=[b;b];
26
    C_ol=[c zeros(size(c));zeros(size(c)) c];
27
    D_ol=zeros(2,1);
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^{29}
    %
    % closed-loop extimator
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^{31}
    A_cl=[a zeros(size(a));l*c a-l*c];B_cl=[b;b];
32
    C_cl=[c zeros(size(c));zeros(size(c)) c];D_cl=zeros(2,1);
33
34
    [y_cl,x_cl]=lsim(A_cl,B_cl,C_cl,D_cl,u,t,[xo;xe]);
35
36
    [y_ol,x_ol]=lsim(A_ol,B_ol,C_ol,D_ol,u,t,[xo;xe]);
37
    figure(1);clf;subplot(211)
38
    plot(t,x_cl(:,[1 2]),t,x_cl(:,[3 4]),'--','LineWidth',2);axis([0 4 -1 1]);
39
    title('Closed-loop estimator');ylabel('states');xlabel('time')
40
    text(.25,-.4,'x_1');text(.5,-.55,'x_2');subplot(212)
41
    plot(t,x_cl(:,[1 2])-x_cl(:,[3 4]),'LineWidth',2)
42
43
    %setlines;
    axis([0 4 -1 1]);grid on
44
    ylabel('estimation error');xlabel('time')
45
46
    figure(2);clf;subplot(211)
47
    plot(t,x_ol(:,[1 2]),t,x_ol(:,[3 4]),'--','LineWidth',2);axis([0 4 -1 1])
48
    title('Open loop estimator');ylabel('states');xlabel('time')
49
    text(.25,-.4,'x_1');text(.5,-.55,'x_2');subplot(212)
50
    plot(t,x_ol(:,[1 2])-x_ol(:,[3 4]),'LineWidth',2)
51
52
    %setlines;
53
    axis([0 4 -1 1]);grid on
54 ylabel('estimation error');xlabel('time')
55
   print -depsc -f1 est11.eps; jpdf('est11')
56
   print -depsc -f2 est12.eps; jpdf('est12')
57
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#### Filter Interpretation

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% Simple LQE example showing SRL
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5
    a=[0 1;-4 0];
6
    c=[1 0]; % pos sensor
7
    c2=[0 1]; % vel state out
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    f=logspace(-3,3,500);
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11
    r=1e-2;
12 l=polyvalm([1 2/sqrt(r) 2/r],a)*inv([c;c*a])*[0 1]'
    [nn,dd]=ss2tf(a-l*c,l,c2,0); % to the vel estimate
13
14
    g=freqresp(nn,dd,f*j);
    [r roots(nn)]
15
   figure(1)
16
    subplot(211)
17
    loglog(f,abs(g))
18
    %hold on;fill([5e2 5e2 1e3 1e3 5e2]',[1e4 1e-4 1e-4 1e4 1e4]','c');hold off
19
20
    xlabel('Freq (rad/sec)')
    ylabel('Mag')
21
    title(['Vel sens to Pos state, sen noise r=',num2str(r)])
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    axis([1e-3 1e3 1e-4 1e4])
23
    subplot(212)
24
    semilogx(f,unwrap(angle(g))*180/pi)
25
    xlabel('Freq (rad/sec)')
26
    ylabel('Phase (deg)')
27
    axis([1e-3 1e3 0 200])
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30
   figure(2)
   r=1e-4;
31
    l=polyvalm([1 2/sqrt(r) 2/r],a)*inv([c;c*a])*[0 1]'
32
    [nn,dd]=ss2tf(a-l*c,l,c2,0); % to the vel estimate
33
    g=freqresp(nn,dd,f*j);
34
    [r roots(nn)]
35
    subplot(211)
36
37
    loglog(f,abs(g))
    %hold on;fill([5e2 5e2 1e3 1e3 5e2]',[1e4 1e-4 1e-4 1e4 1e4]','c');hold off
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    xlabel('Freq (rad/sec)')
    ylabel('Mag')
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    title(['Vel sens to Pos state, sen noise r=',num2str(r)])
    axis([1e-3 1e3 1e-4 1e4])
42
    subplot(212)
43
    semilogx(f,unwrap(angle(g))*180/pi)
44
    xlabel('Freq (rad/sec)')
45
    ylabel('Phase (deg)')
46
    %bode(nn,dd);
47
    axis([1e-3 1e3 0 200])
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50
    figure(3)
    r=1e-6:
51
    l=polyvalm([1 2/sqrt(r) 2/r],a)*inv([c;c*a])*[0 1]'
52
    [nn,dd]=ss2tf(a-l*c,l,c2,0); % to the vel estimate
53
54
    g=freqresp(nn,dd,f*j);
    [r roots(nn)]
55
    subplot(211)
56
57
    loglog(f,abs(g))
58
    %hold on;fill([5e2 5e2 1e3 1e3 5e2]',[1e4 1e-4 1e-4 1e4 1e4]','c');hold off
    xlabel('Freq (rad/sec)')
59
    ylabel('Mag')
60
61
    title(['Vel sens to Pos state, sen noise r=',num2str(r)])
    axis([1e-3 1e3 1e-4 1e4])
62
    subplot(212)
63
    semilogx(f,unwrap(angle(g))*180/pi)
64
    xlabel('Freq (rad/sec)')
65
    ylabel('Phase (deg)')
66
    %bode(nn,dd);
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title(['Vel sens to Pos state, sen noise r=',num2str(r)])
68
     axis([1e-3 1e3 0 200])
69
70
71 figure(4)
72
     r=1e-8;
73 l=polyvalm([1 2/sqrt(r) 2/r],a)*inv([c;c*a])*[0 1]'
74 [nn,dd]=ss2tf(a-l*c,l,c2,0); % to the vel estimate
75 g=freqresp(nn
76 [r roots(nn)]
     g=freqresp(nn,dd,f*j);
77 subplot(211)
     loglog(f,abs(g))
78
79
     %hold on;fill([5e2 5e2 1e3 1e3 5e2]',[1e4 1e-4 1e-4 1e4 1e4]','c');hold off
80 xlabel('Freq (rad/sec)')
81 ylabel('Mag')
82 title(['Vel sens to Pos state, sen noise r=',num2str(r)])
83 axis([1e-3 1e3 1e-4 1e4])
84
85
     title(['Vel sens to Pos state, sen noise r=',num2str(r)])
     subplot(212)
semilogx(f,unwrap(angle(g))*180/pi)
     xlabel('Freq (rad/sec)')
87
     ylabel('Phase (deg)')
88
89 %bode(nn,dd);
90 axis([1e-3 1e3 0 200])
^{91}
92 print -depsc -f1 filt1.eps; jpdf('filt1')
93 print -depsc -f2 filt2.eps;jpdf('filt2')
94 print -depsc -f3 filt3.eps;jpdf('filt3')
95 print -depsc -f4 filt4.eps;jpdf('filt4')
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