Fast Robots



Questions on Lab 9/10?

Lab 10: Path Planning and Execution

Objective

The objective of this lab is to have your robot move from an unknown location to a goal location in your map as quickly as possible. You may do so using any means necessary - of course we recommend sticking to the tools you have already developed in previous labs and heard of in the lectures. This may involve any combination or subset of the following:

- Open loop control
- · Obstacle avoidance
- PID control
- · Proximity, TOF, accelerometer, gyroscope, magnetometer readings
- Local path planning (e.g. Bug 0-2 algorithms)
- Local localization (given odometry)
- · Localization using the prediction and/or the update step
- · Graph search algorithms

Lab

- 1. Use the code from here, to generate a start and a goal location. Please make sure to try some examples, that requires the robot to circumnavigate one or more obstacles.
 - Run setup. sh to install the necessary dependencies and refer to the Jupyter notebook on how to use the code in planner_query.py.
- 2. Place your robot at the start position, and let the robot finds its way as quickly as possible to the goal location. Have the robot indicate when it has successfully entered the particular grid occupancy cell. Discuss your results in terms of speed, runtime, and accuracy. Feel free to also discuss what you would do to improve your system if you had more time.

- Linear systems review
- Eigenvectors and eigenvalues
- Stability
- Discrete time systems
- Linearizing non-linear systems
- Controllability
- Inverted pendulum dynamics

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

This should look familiar from...

- MATH 2940 Linear Algebra
- ECE3250 Signals and systems
- ECE5210 Theory of linear systems
- MAE3260 System Dynamics
- etc...

Review

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$$\frac{Df}{Dx}|_{\bar{\mathcal{X}}}$$

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•
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•
$$rank(ctrb(A, B)) = n$$

• Linear transform:
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, stable iff a<0

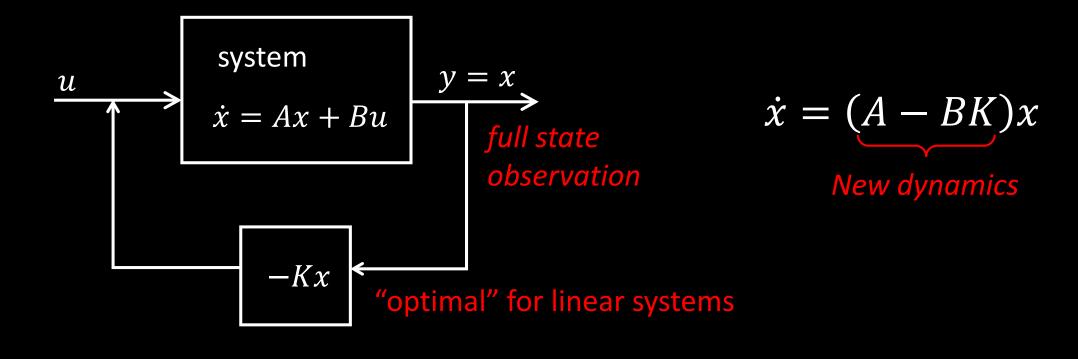
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$$>>[T,D] = eig(A)$$



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Controllability Matrix and the Discrete Time Impulse Response

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\mathbb{C} = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B & \dots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix}$$

- Why does C predict controllability?!
- Discrete time impulse response: $x(k+1) = \tilde{A}x(k) + \tilde{B}u(k)$

•
$$u(0) = 1$$
 $x(0) = 0$

$$\bullet \ u(1) = 0 \qquad x(1) = \tilde{B}$$

•
$$u(2) = 0$$
 $x(2) = \tilde{A}\tilde{B}$

•
$$u(3) = 0$$
 $x(3) = \tilde{A}^2 \tilde{B}$

•
$$u(m) = 0$$
 $x(m) = \tilde{A}^{m-1}\tilde{B}$

If the system is controllable, then the impulse response affects every state in \mathbb{R}^n

Reachability



Controllabillity and Reachability

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Reachability -

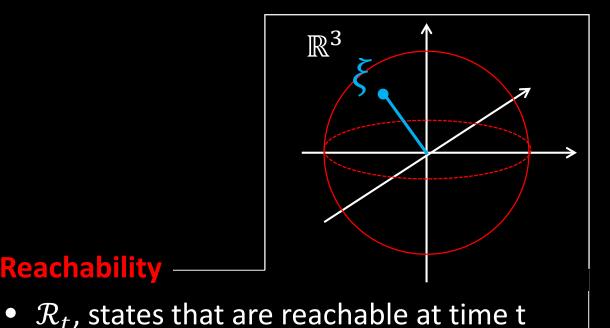
- \mathcal{R}_t , states that are reachable at time t
- $\mathcal{R}_t = \{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ for which there is an input } u(t) \text{ that makes } \mathbf{x}(t) = \xi$
- 2. You can choose K to arbitrarily place the eigenvalues of your closed loop system
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*You cannot have more repeated eigenvalues than there are columns of B



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(convolution of e^{At} with $u(\tau)$) >> rank(ctrb(A,b))

Controllability Gramian

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$$W_t = \int_0^t e^{A\tau} B B^T e^{A^T \tau} d\tau \qquad W_t \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

- $W_t \xi = \lambda \xi$
- $W_t \approx \mathbb{C}\mathbb{C}^T$

T = * if thevalues of A and B were complex)

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\mathbb{C} = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B & \dots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix}$$
>> rank(ctrb(A,b))
>> [U,S,V] = svd(\mathbb{C} , 'econ')

The SVD of A takes the form: $A = U\Sigma V^T$

U = left singular vector

V = right singular vector

 Σ = diagonal matrix with singular values

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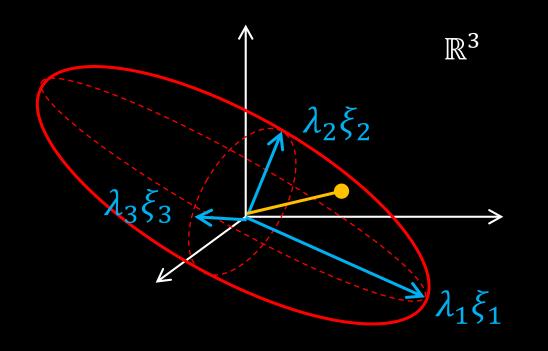
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$$\text{(convolution of } e^{At} \text{ with } u(\tau)) \qquad >> \text{rank}(\text{ctrb}(A,b))$$

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- Controllability for very high dimensional systems?
- Many directions in \mathbb{R}^n are extremely stable you only need to control directions that impact your control objective
- Stabilizability

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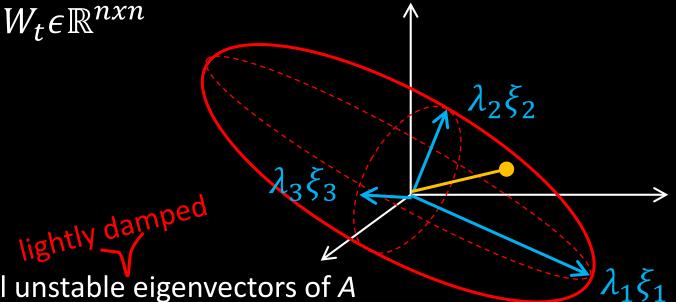
- $W_t \xi = \lambda \xi$
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- Stabilizability

 A system is stabilizable iff all unstable eigenvectors of A are in the controllable subspace

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PBH Test



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$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Popov-Belevitch-Hautus (PBH) test

$$\mathbb{C} = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B & \dots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix}$$

- (A,B) is ctrb iff (if A has m repeated eigenvalues, we need m actuation inputs) >> rank(ctrb(A,b))
 - $rank[(A \lambda I) \quad B] = n \ \lor \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$
- The (*A*,*B*) pair is controllable if and only if the rank of the concatenated matrix is n for all of the eigenvalues belonging to the complex plane!
- 1. $rank[(A \lambda I)] = n$, except for at eigenvalues λ $A\xi = \lambda \xi$
- 2. B needs to have some component in each eigenvector direction
- 3. If *B* is a random vector (B=randn(n,1)), then (A,B) will be controllable with high probability.

Inverted Pendulum on a Cart

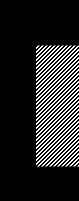


Inverted Pendulum on a Cart

Eq. of motion

State space

model



Force acting on the cart in the x direction

Jacobian Fixed points, \bar{x}

(A,B) Controllable?

down

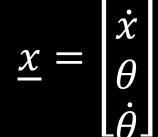
$$\theta = 0, \pi$$
 $\dot{\theta} = 0$

x free variable

$$\frac{df}{dx}|_{\bar{x}}$$

Add linear control

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



$$\dot{x}=0$$

 $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$

m

