

# MODERN CONTROL SYSTEMS

Lecture 11

Pole Placement

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# Pole Placement

- In this lecture we will discuss a design method commonly called the *pole-placement* or *pole-assignment technique*.
- We assume that all state variables are measurable and are available for feedback.
- If the system considered is completely state controllable, then poles of the closed-loop system may be placed at any desired locations by means of state feedback through an appropriate state feedback gain matrix.

# Pole Placement

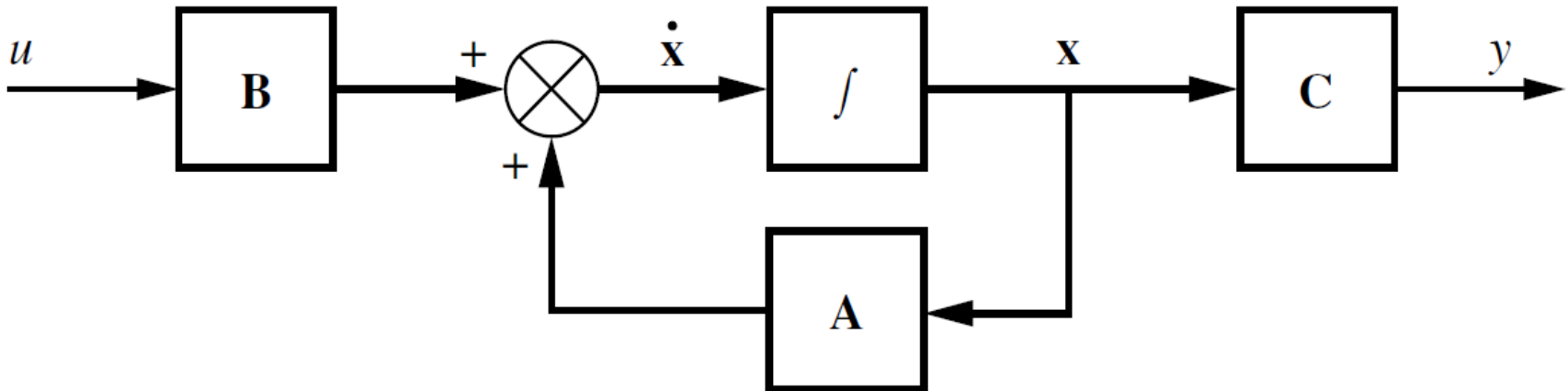
- The present design technique begins with a determination of the desired closed-loop poles based on the transient-response and/or frequency-response requirements, such as speed, damping ratio, or bandwidth, as well as steady-state requirements.
- By choosing an appropriate gain matrix for state feedback, it is possible to force the system to have closed-loop poles at the desired locations, provided that the original system is completely state controllable.

# Topology of Pole Placement

- Consider a plant represented in state space by

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

$$y = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}$$

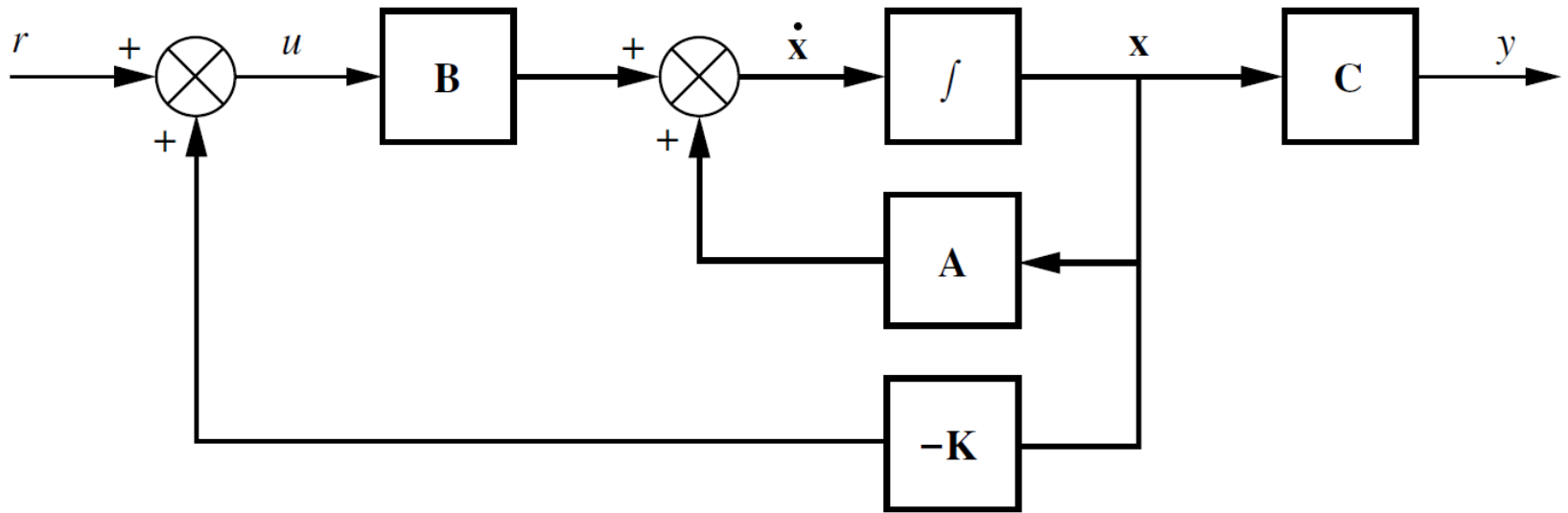


# Topology of Pole Placement

- In a typical feedback control system, the output,  $y$ , is fed back to the summing junction.
- It is now that the topology of the design changes. Instead of feeding back  $y$ , we feed back all of the state variables.
- If each state variable is fed back to the control,  $u$ , through a gain,  $k_i$ , there would be  $n$  gains,  $k_i$ , that could be adjusted to yield the required closed-loop pole values.

# Topology of Pole Placement

- The feedback through the gains,  $k_i$ , is represented in following figure by the feedback vector  $\mathbf{K}$ .



$$\dot{x} = Ax + B(r - Kx)$$

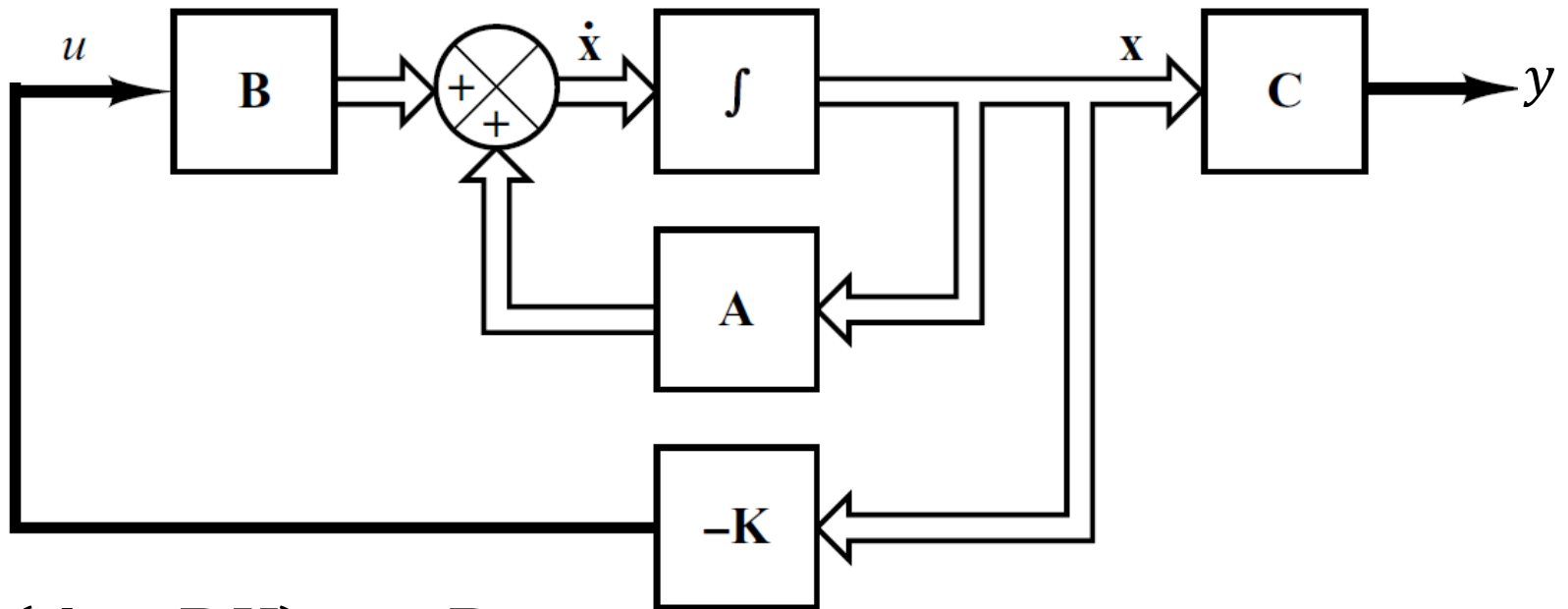
$$\dot{x} = Ax + Br - BKx$$

$$y = Cx$$

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

# Pole Placement

- We will limit our discussions to single-input, single-output systems (i.e. we will assume that the control signal  $u(t)$  and output signal  $y(t)$  to be scalars).
- We will also assume that the reference input  $r(t)$  is zero.



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$$u = -Kx$$

# Pole Placement

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

- The stability and transient response characteristics are determined by the eigenvalues of matrix **A-BK**.
- If matrix **K** is chosen properly Eigenvalues of the system can be placed at desired location.
- And the problem of placing the regulator poles (closed-loop poles) at the desired location is called a pole-placement problem.



# Pole Placement

- There are three approaches that can be used to determine the gain matrix **K** to place the poles at desired location.
  - Direct Substitution Method.
  - Ackermann's formula.
  - Using Transformation Matrix **P**.
- All those method yields the same result.

# Direct Substitution Method

# Pole Placement (Direct Substitution Method)

- Following are the steps to be followed in this particular method.

1. Check the state controllability of the system

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

# Pole Placement (Direct Substitution Method)

- **Steps:**

1. Check the state controllability of the system.

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

2. Define the state feedback gain matrix as

$$K = [k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3 \dots k_n]$$

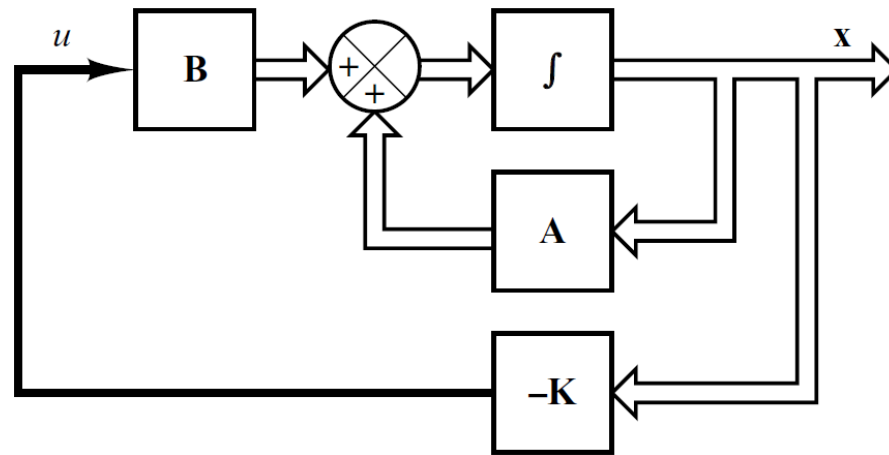
- And equating  $|sI - A + BK|$  with desired characteristic equation.

$$(s - \mu_1)(s - \mu_2) \dots (s - \mu_n) = s^n + \alpha_1 s^{n-1} + \alpha_2 s^{n-2} + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} s + \alpha_n$$

# Example

- Consider the regulator system shown in following figure. The plant is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -5 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$



- The system uses the state feedback control  $u = -Kx$ . The desired eigenvalues are  $\mu_1 = -2 + j4$ ,  $\mu_2 = -2 - j4$ ,  $\mu_3 = -1$ . Determine the state feedback gain matrix  $K$ .

# Example

- Step-1

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -5 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

- First, we need to check the controllability matrix of the system. Since the controllability matrix  $C_T$  is given by

$$C_T = [B \quad AB \quad A^2B] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 \\ 1 & -6 & 31 \end{bmatrix}$$

- We find that  $\text{rank}(C_T)=3$ . Thus, the system is completely state controllable and arbitrary pole placement is possible.

- **Step-2:**
- Let **K** be

$$\mathbf{K} = [k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3]$$

$$|sI - A + BK| = \left| \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -5 & -6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3] \right|$$

$$= s^3 + (6 + k_3)s^2 + (5 + k_2)s + 1 + k_1$$

- Desired characteristic polynomial is obtained as

$$(s + 2 - 4j)(s + 2 + 4j)(s + 10) = s^3 + 14s^2 + 60s + 200$$

- Comparing the coefficients of powers of s

$$14 = (6 + k_3) \quad k_3 = 8$$

$$60 = (5 + k_2) \quad k_2 = 55$$

$$200 = 1 + k_1 \quad k_1 = 199$$

# Ackermann's Formula



# Pole Placement (Ackermann's Formula)

- Following are the steps to be followed in this particular method.

1. Check the state controllability of the system

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

# Pole Placement (Ackermann's Formula)

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2. Use Ackermann's formula to calculate **K**

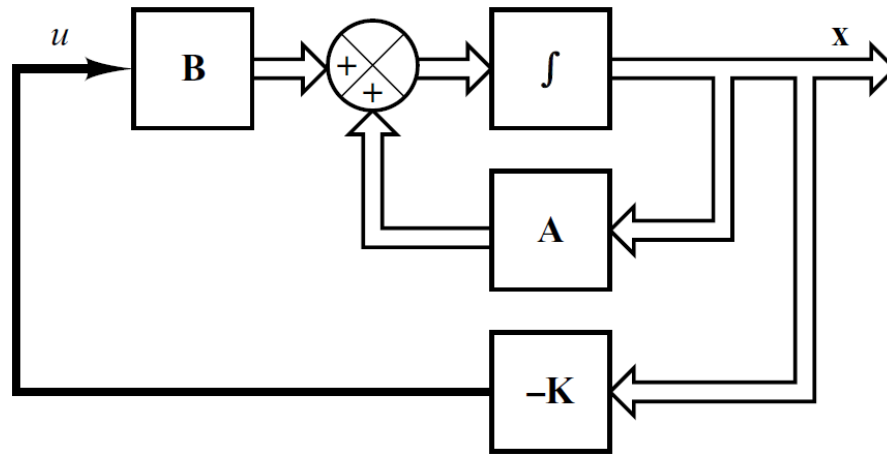
$$K = [0 \quad 0 \quad \cdots \quad 0 \quad 1][B \quad AB \quad A^2B \quad \cdots \quad A^{n-1}B]^{-1}\phi(A)$$

$$\phi(A) = A^n + \alpha_1 A^{n-1} + \cdots + \alpha_{n-1}A + \alpha_n I$$

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# Pole Placement (Using Transformation Matrix **P**)

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- $\alpha_i$  are the coefficients of the desired characteristic polynomial.

$$(s + 2 - 4j)(s + 2 + 4j)(s + 10) = s^3 + 14s^2 + 60s + 200$$

$$\alpha_1 = 14, \quad \alpha_2 = 60, \quad \alpha_3 = 200$$

# Pole Placement (Ackermann's Formula)

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$$\phi(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 199 & 55 & 8 \\ -8 & 159 & 7 \\ -7 & -34 & 117 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Pole Placement (Ackermann's Formula)

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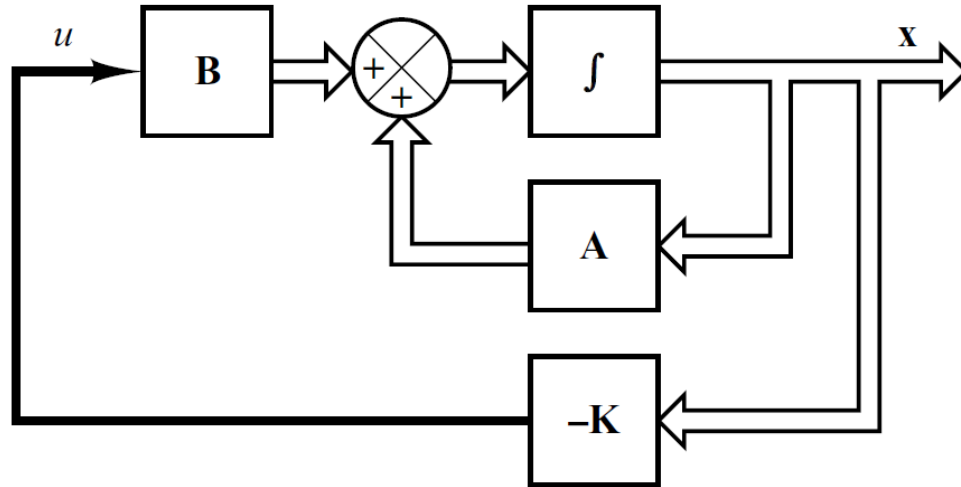
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$$K = [199 \quad 55 \quad 8]$$

# Pole Placement

- **Example-2:** Consider the regulator system shown in following figure. The plant is given by

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$



- Determine the state feedback gain for each state variable to place the poles at  $-1+j$ ,  $-1-j$ ,  $-3$ . (Apply all methods)



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