

# ECE 488 – Automatic Control

## Observability and Separation

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## Reminder

### Previous Weeks

- Plant modeling
- Properties of transfer functions
- Stability and performance
- Feedback control
- Root locus method
- Nyquist criterion and bode plot
- Lead/lag compensator and PID-controller
- Controllability and State feedback control

### This week

- Observability
- Separation



## Observability: Definition

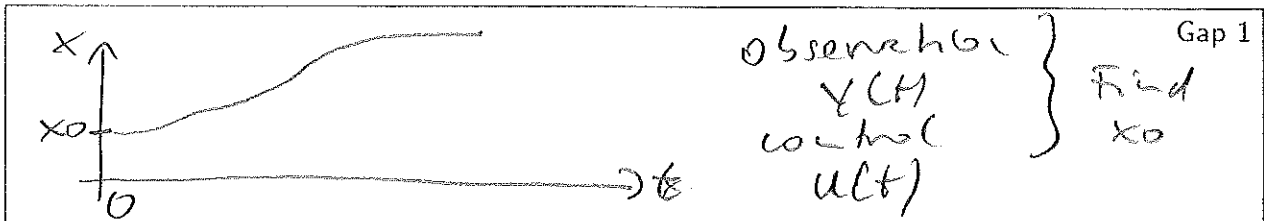
### State-space Model

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + bu(t)$$

$$y(t) = c^T x(t) + d u(t)$$

### Observability Definition

A linear system is called completely observable if any initial state  $x(0)$  at time  $t = 0$  can be uniquely determined from the output signal  $y(t)$  and the input signal  $u(t)$  in a pre-specified time interval  $0 \leq t \leq t_T$ .



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## Observability: Verification

### Observability Test by Kalman

A linear system of order  $n$  is completely observable if and only if the

$$\text{observability matrix } \mathcal{O} = \begin{bmatrix} c^T \\ c^T A \\ \vdots \\ c^T A^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \text{ has full rank } n$$

### Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad c^T = [1 \quad 0] \Rightarrow \mathcal{O} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathcal{O}$  has full rank  $\Rightarrow$  observable

$$c^T = [1 \quad 1] \Rightarrow \mathcal{O} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathcal{O}$  does not have full rank  $\Rightarrow$  not observable

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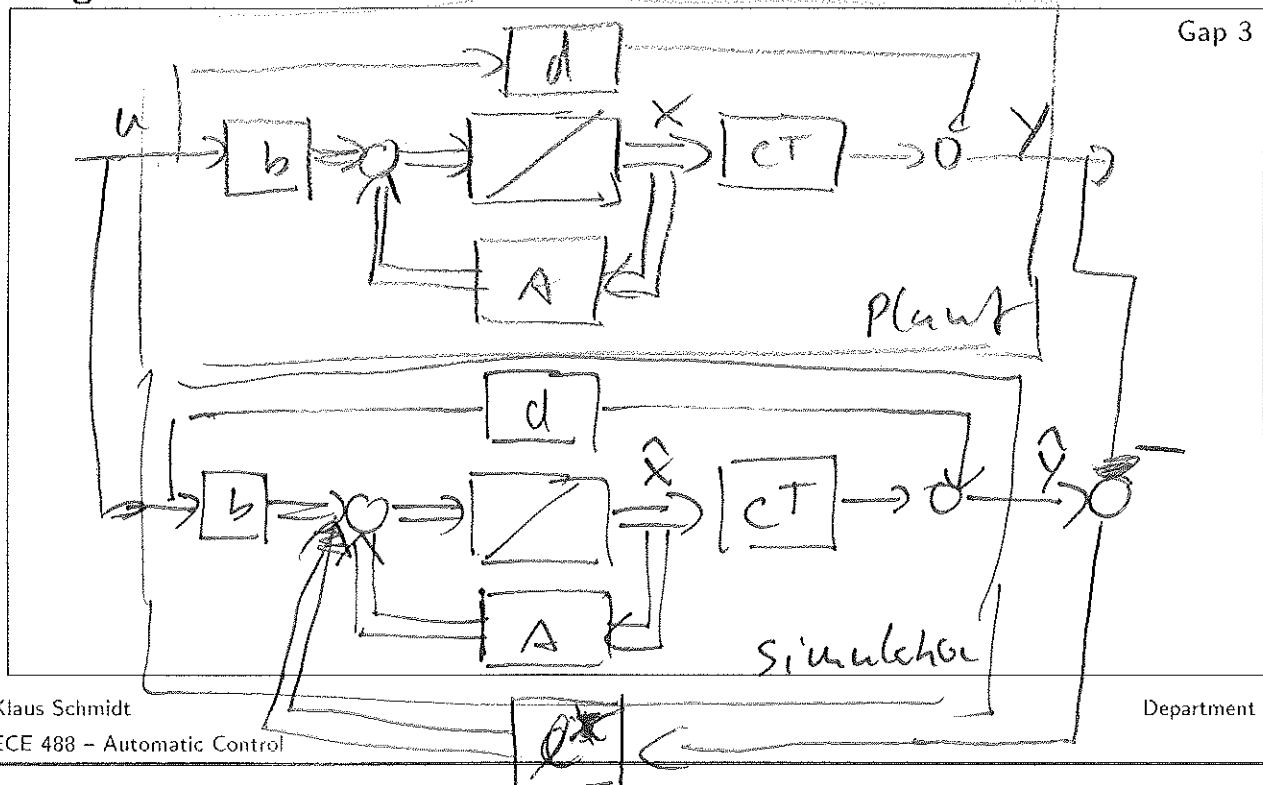
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# Luenberg Observer: Block Diagram

## Diagram



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# Luenberg Observer: Idea

## State Reconstruction

- Parallel model of the linear system (simulated)
- Comparison of measured and simulated output
- Feedback to compensate error

## Parallel Model

$$\hat{\dot{x}}(t) = A\hat{x}(t) + bu(t) + l(\hat{y}(t) - y(t))$$

$$\hat{y}(t) = c^T \hat{x}(t) + du(t)$$

## Variables and Parameters

- Simulated state  $\hat{x}$
- Simulated output  $\hat{y}$
- Feedback vector  $l$

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## Luenberg Observer: Computation

## State Error Computation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{e}(t) &= \dot{\hat{x}} - \dot{x} = A\hat{x} + b\dot{u} + l(\hat{y} - y) - Ax - b\dot{u} \\
 &= A\hat{x} - Ax + l(c^T\hat{x} + d\dot{u} - c^Tx - d\dot{u}) = \\
 &= (A + lc^T)(\hat{x} - x) = (A + lc^T) \cdot e
 \end{aligned}$$

## Result

$$\dot{e}(t) = \hat{\dot{x}}(t) - \dot{x}(t) = (A + lc^T)e(t)$$

- Stabilize observer by moving the eigenvalues of  $A + lc^T$  in the OLHP
- Desired characteristic polynomial of  $A + lc^T$ :  $p(s)$   
 $\rightarrow$  We want  $\det(sI - A - lc^T) = p(s)$

## Luenberg Observer: Example

## Computation

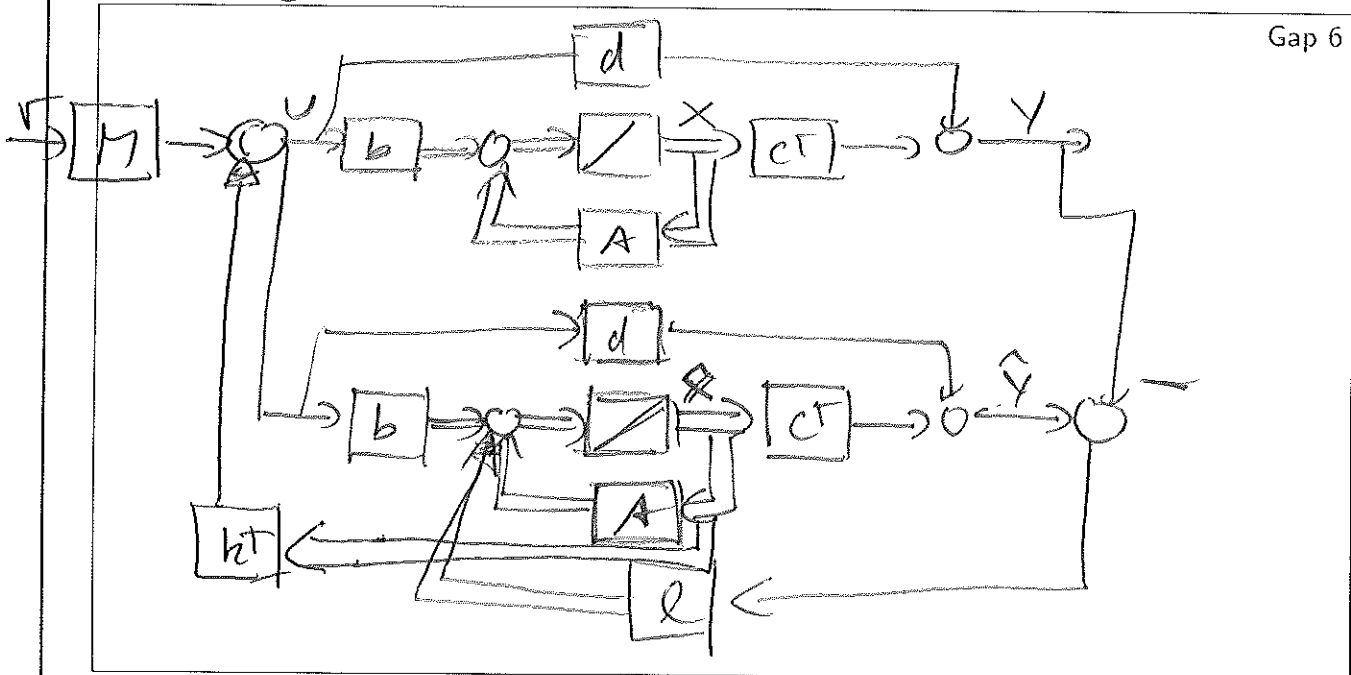
$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad c^T = [1 \quad 0] \quad ; \quad p_1 = p_2 = -10 \\
 \Rightarrow p(s) &= s^2 + 20s + 100 \\
 \text{Use } l &= \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \\ l_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \det(sI - A - lc^T) &= \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} s & -3 \\ -1 & s+2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} l_1 & 0 \\ l_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \\
 &= \det \begin{bmatrix} s-l_1 & -3 \\ -1-l_2 & s+2 \end{bmatrix} = (s-l_1)(s+2) + 3(-1-l_2) = \\
 &= s^2 + s(-l_1+2) - 2l_1 - 3 - 3l_2 = s^2 + 20s + 100 \\
 \Rightarrow l_1 &= -18, \quad l_2 = \frac{1}{3}(-2l_1 - 3 - 100) = -\frac{67}{3} \\
 \Rightarrow l &= \begin{bmatrix} -18 \\ -67/3 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$





# Separation: Combination of State Feedback and Observer

## Block Diagram



Gap 6

# Separation: Explanation

## State Estimation

- Use the estimated state  $\hat{x}$  for state feedback  
 ⇒ Controller consists of observer (for state estimation), state feedback (for pole placement) and pre-filter (for steady-state value)
- Closed loop eigenvalues are eigenvalues of observer plus eigenvalues of state feedback → principle of separation

$$\ddot{u} = k^T \hat{x} + M \cdot v$$

$$\dot{x} = Ax + bu = Ax + bk^T \hat{x} + bMv$$

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = A\hat{x} + bu + l(\hat{y} - y) =$$

$$= A\hat{x} + bk^T \hat{x} + bMv + l(c^T \hat{x} + d\hat{v} - c^T x - d\hat{v})$$

$$= (A + lc^T + bk^T) \hat{x} + l c^T x + bMv$$

Gap 7



# Separation: Example

## Computation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \dot{x} \\ x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & bk^T \\ -lc^T & A+bk^T+lc^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \dot{x} \\ x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} bM \\ bk^T \end{bmatrix} r \quad \text{Gap 8}$$

State transformation:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ \dot{x} \\ x \end{bmatrix} = Tz, T = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ I & I \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow z = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -I & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & bk^T \\ -lc^T & A+bk^T+lc^T \end{bmatrix} z + T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} bM \\ bk^T \end{bmatrix} r =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} A & bk^T \\ -A-lc^T & A+lc^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ I & I \end{bmatrix} z + \begin{bmatrix} bM \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} r =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} A+bk^T & bk^T \\ 0 & A+lc^T \end{bmatrix} z + \begin{bmatrix} bM \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} r$$

$\Rightarrow$  eigenvalues of  $A+bk^T$  and  $A+lc^T$

