

EE 459/559: Control and Applications of Power Electronics

Topic 3: (State Space) Control of Power Electronics

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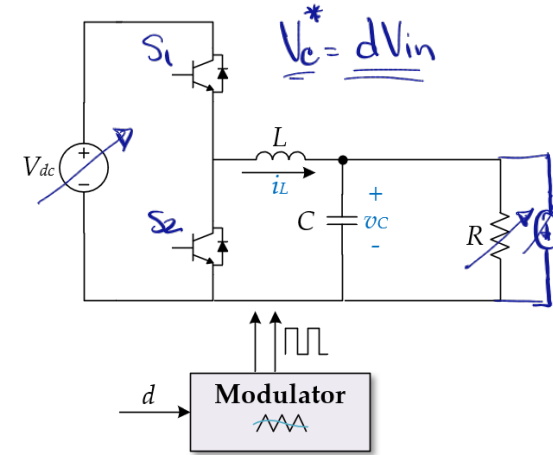
Outline

- Why do we need control?
- State feedback control for stabilization $u = Kx$ $K =$ feedback matrix of gains.
- Integral control for reference tracking $e_I = \int (v^{ref} - v_c) dt \leftrightarrow \dot{e}_I = v^{ref} - v_c$
(one more state)
- Inner/outer loop control for power electronics
(affect the time scales \rightarrow fast states
 \rightarrow slower states) Singular perturbation)

State Space Average Model of a Buck Converter

- The state space average model of a buck converter

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{L} \\ \frac{1}{C} & -\frac{1}{RC} \end{pmatrix}}_A \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{u}_{u = dV_{dc}} \quad \text{with } \underline{v_C}^* = \underline{dV_{in}}$$



- Assume that we need to control the output side voltage to 270 V we can simply let $d = 0.5$ (if $V_{in} = 540$)

- The **open loop** transients are not desired:

- What is the settling time? (time it takes for v_C to reach 270) ~ 90 ms
- Are there any oscillations? Voltage/current overshoot?

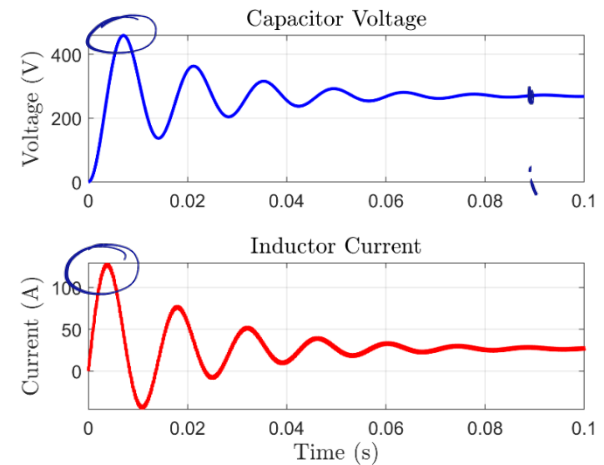
- What can we do?

- Feedback / closed loop control
- $d = \kappa(x, v_C^{ref}) = \kappa(i_L, v_C, v_C^{ref})$

- Duty cycle will be decided automatically

- improve our response
- robust to disturbances (change in V_{in})

L	5 mH
C	1 mF
V_{in}	540 V
d	0.5
R	10 Ω

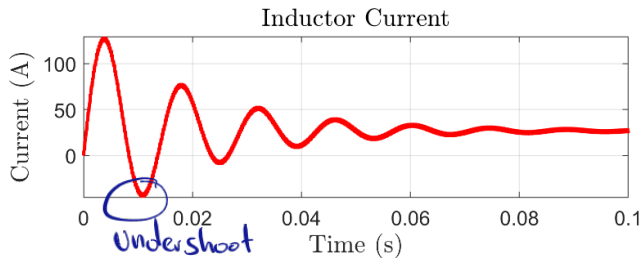
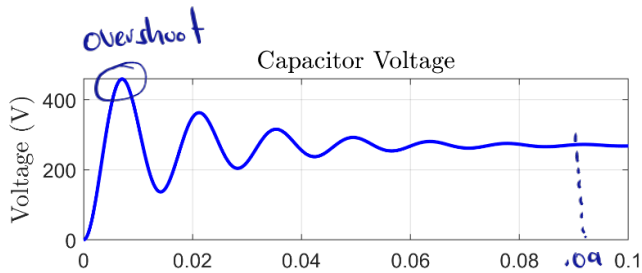
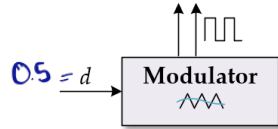
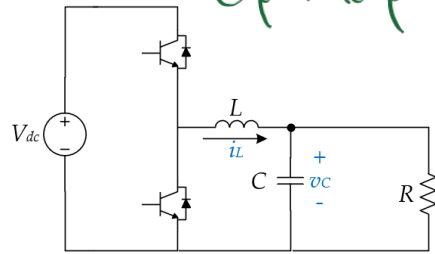


Open Loop vs Closed Loop Performance

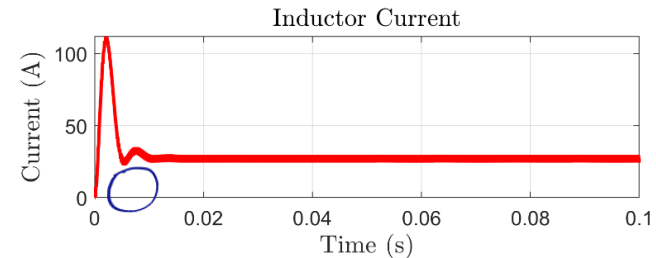
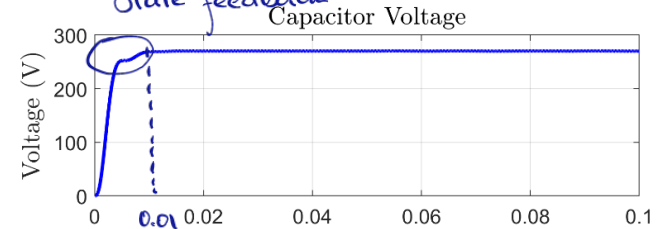
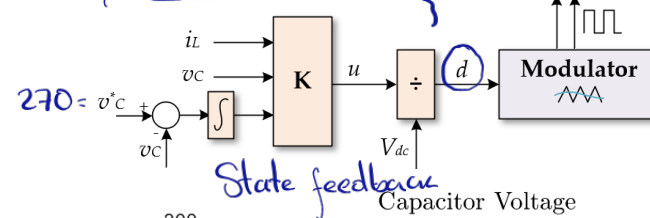
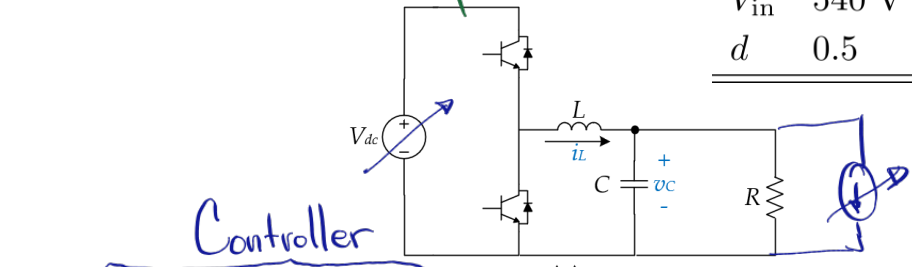
- Compare the performance of the converter when operating as open loop and closed loop control

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d	0.5

Open loop

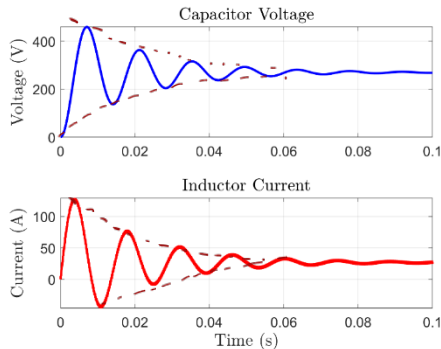


Closed loop



Analysis of Closed Loop Behavior

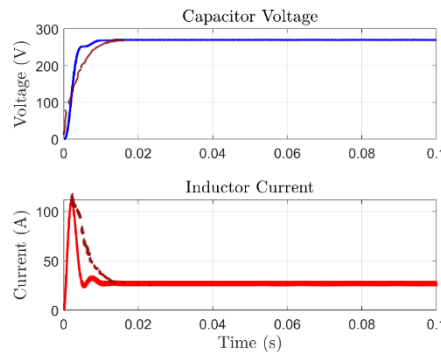
- What caused the behavior of the buck converter to improve in closed loop mode?



Open loop Response

- $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ $u = d \cdot \bar{v}_{in}$ $x = \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_o \end{pmatrix}$
- $d = 0.5 \Rightarrow \bar{u} = 0.5 \times \bar{v}_{in}$ (constant value)
- $\dot{x} = Ax + B\bar{u}$ (\bar{u} is constant)
- $x(t)$ is decided by the eigenvalues of A

$\lambda_1^o, \lambda_2^o = \text{eigenvalues of } A$
 $\lambda_{1,2}^o = \alpha^o \pm j\omega$
 $\alpha^o < 0$
 eg. $\alpha^o = -2$



Closed loop Response

- $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ but now $u = Kx$ e.g. $u = \underbrace{[k_1 \ k_2]}_K \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2$
- $\Rightarrow \dot{x} = Ax + BKx \Rightarrow \dot{x} = \underbrace{(A+BK)}_{A_{cl}} x$ $A_{cl} \triangleq A+BK$

feedback gain
K

$\Rightarrow \dot{x} = A_{cl} x$

- $x(t)$ is now decided by eigenvalues of $A_{cl} = A+BK$

$\lambda_1^c, \lambda_2^c = \text{eig}(A_{cl})$ $\lambda_{1,2}^c = \alpha^c \pm j\omega^c$, $\alpha^c < 0$

- For a linear state space system, $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$, how can we design the input u (e.g. duty cycle)?

$\alpha^c < \alpha^o$ eg. $\alpha^c = -20$

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State Feedback Problem Formulation

- Consider a LTI state space representation of a dynamical system:

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

- Problem statement:** Design a controller of the form $u = Kx$ (state feedback) such that the closed loop system is asymptotically stable

Openloop:

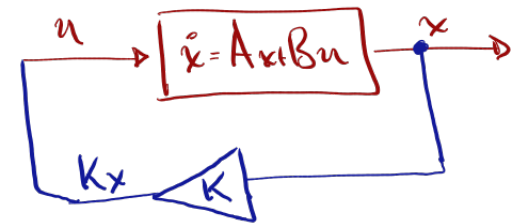
- $u = 0$, or $u = c$ (0 or constant value)

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

- Asymp. Stable: if $\text{Re}\{\lambda_i\} < 0 \forall i$

- (Marginally) Stable: if $\exists i \text{Re}\{\lambda_i\} = 0$ and all other eigenvalues $\text{Re}\{\lambda_j\} < 0$
 $j \neq i$

- Unstable* if $\exists i$ st. $\text{Re}\{\lambda_i\} > 0$



Closed loop: $u = Kx$ (linear function of states)

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B \underbrace{Kx}_u = (A+BK)x \Rightarrow \dot{x} = \overbrace{(A+BK)}^{A_{cl}} x$$

• Stability of closed loop system is decided by eigenvalues of $A_{cl} = A+BK$

• How do we design K ?

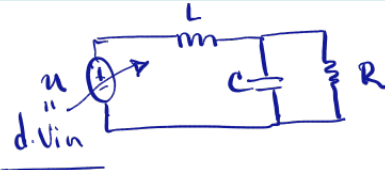
Controllability Definition

- Consider a LTI state space representation of a dynamical system:

$$\text{LTI } (\dot{x} = Ax + Bu) \quad ? \quad \text{if } u \in \mathbb{R}^1 \text{ (1 input)}$$

- Assume the input is given by a state feedback controller $u = \underline{K}x = [k_1 \ k_2 \ \dots \ k_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = k_1 x_1 + \dots + k_n x_n$

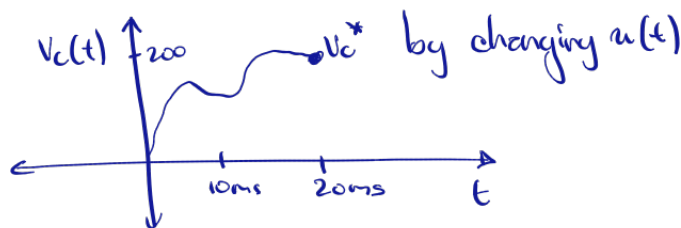
Controllability: An LTI system is controllable if for every $x(t) = x^*$, there exists an input $u(t)$, $t \in [0, t]$, such that the system goes from $x(0) = 0$ to $x(t) = x^*$, $t < \infty$

- Assume we have the following circuit  (Average model for buck Converter)

- 2nd order, $x(t) = \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix}$

- e.g. $x^* = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 200 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} i_L^* \\ v_C^* \end{pmatrix}$ $t = 20\text{ms}$, can we find an input $u(t)$ $t \in [0, 20\text{ms}]$ s.t.

$$x(0) = 0 \rightarrow x(t) = x^* \quad t = 20\text{ms}$$



- There is a formula for finding $u(t)$
 - We can find $u(t)$ if $W^c(t) \triangleq e^{At} B B^T e^{A^T t}$ is invertible for all t
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Cayley Hamilton Theorem.

Controllability Matrix and Rank

- Consider a LTI state space representation of a dynamical system:

$$\dot{x} = \underline{A}x + \underline{B}u \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow n \text{ states} \Rightarrow n^{\text{th}} \text{ order system.}$$

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

- Assume the input is given by a state feedback controller $u = Kx$

Controllability: An LTI system is controllable if and only if the rank of the matrix $\underline{M}_c = \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & \dots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix}$ is n . $\underline{W}_c = \int_0^{\infty} e^{At} B B^T e^{(A+BK)t} dt$ is invertible. # of linearly independent columns.

- If a system is controllable, then we can design an input $u = Kx$ such that we can choose the eigenvalues of $(A + BK)$

If system $(\dot{x} = Ax + Bu)$ is controllable, find K matrix s.t. $u = Kx \Rightarrow \dot{x} = (A + BK)x$
all eigenvalues of $(A + BK)$ are anywhere

What if $\text{rank}(\underline{M}_c) < n$? $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ is not controllable, we cannot modify all eigenvalues of $(A + BK)$

Example 1: Controllability and State Feedback

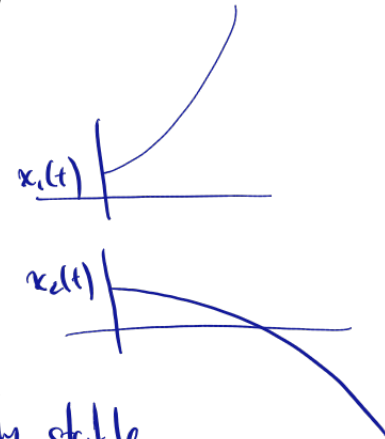
- Consider the following LTI system:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} u$$

$n=2$ (Second order system)

- Is the system asymptotically stable, stable, or unstable?

$u=0$ $\dot{x} = Ax$ $\text{eig}(A) = \{2, -1\}$ unstable



- Open loop system is unstable, \Rightarrow design a state feedback controller s.t. closed loop system is asymptotically stable.

$(m=1)$ $\Rightarrow u = Kx = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{k}_1 & \underline{k}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{k}_1 x_1 + \underline{k}_2 x_2$
one input.

$\Rightarrow \dot{x} = Ax + BKx = \underline{(A+BK)}x$ be asymp. stable.

\rightarrow we want all $\text{eig}(A+BK)$ to have neg. real part.

- Step 1: check the controllability of this system.

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- Design a state feedback matrix K such that the $\text{eig}(A + BK) = \{-10, -20\}$

Step 1: is the system controllable? need to check rank of controllability matrix

$$M_c = [B \ AB \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B] \quad \bullet \text{ In our case, } n = \# \text{ states} = 2 \Rightarrow M_c = [B \ AB]$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad A \cdot B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad M_c = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{rank}(M_c) = \# \text{ of lin. independent columns} = 2$$

- a set of vectors (columns), v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n , are linearly independent if $a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + \dots + a_n v_n = 0$ is satisfied only by $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 0$

$$- \underline{a}_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \underline{a}_2 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad a_1 = a_2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(M_c) = 2 \Rightarrow$ System is controllable!

Step 2: If the system is controllable, find K s.t. $u = Kx$ and $\lambda(A+BK)$ are as chosen

Matlab $K = -\text{place}(A, B, [-10 \ -20])$

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} -37.71 & 44.43 \\ k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow u = \underline{K}x = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = -37.71x_1 + 44.43x_2$$

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%% Define the system (A, B)
A = [2 0; 0 -1];
B = [2 1]';

%% Find the matrix k using Matlab's place
eig_des = [-10 -20]; % Desired eigenvalues

%(careful u = -Kx using place)
Kp1 = -1*place(A, B, eig_des); % -1 to make it u = Kx;

% Check the closed loop
Acl = A+B*Kp1
eig(Acl)
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Pole placement

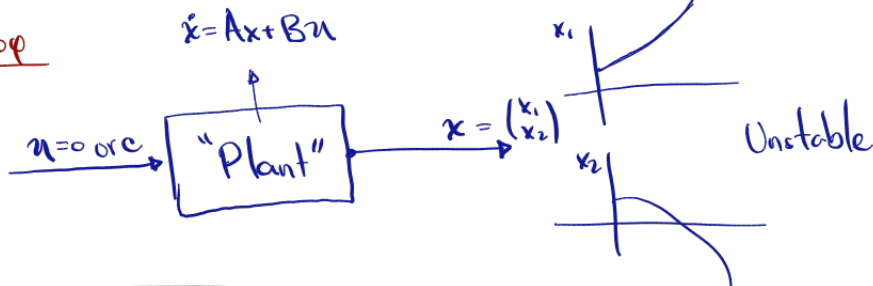
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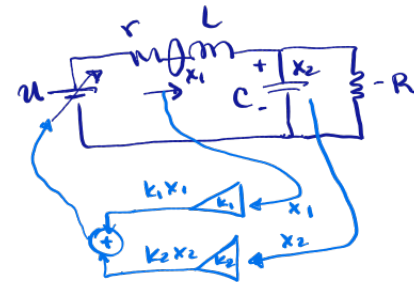
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- The overall controller is then as follows:

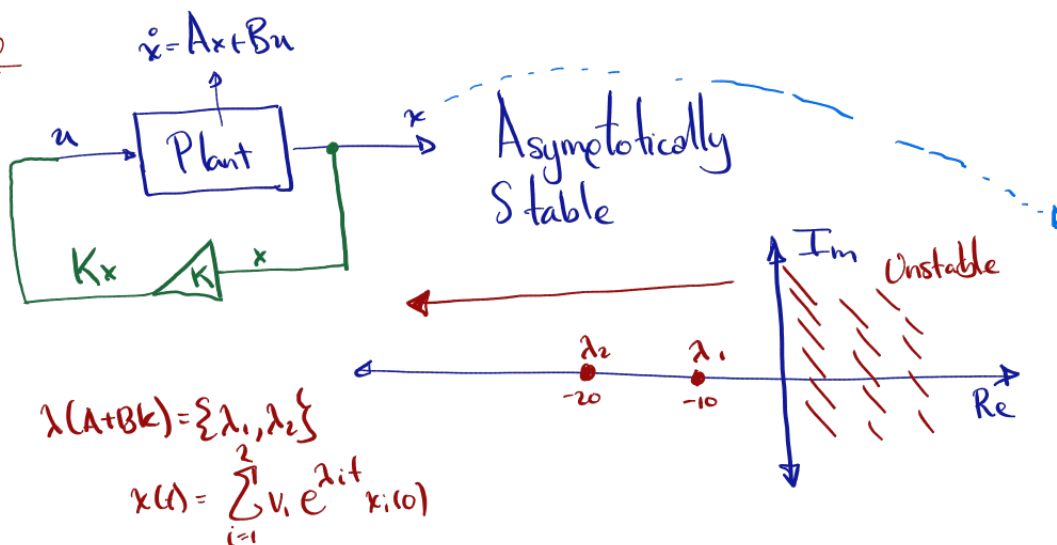
Open loop



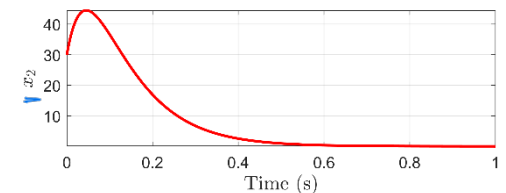
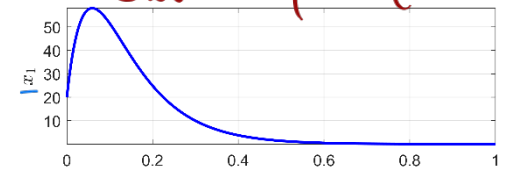
"Suppose" $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ are the equations for a circuit.



Closed loop



Closed Loop Response



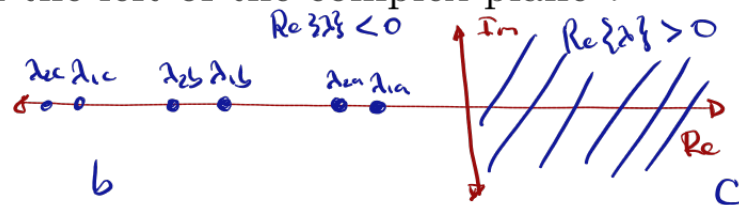
$\lambda_1 = -10 \quad \lambda_2 = -20$

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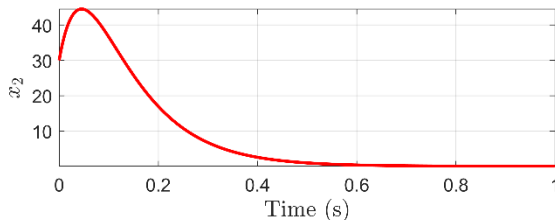
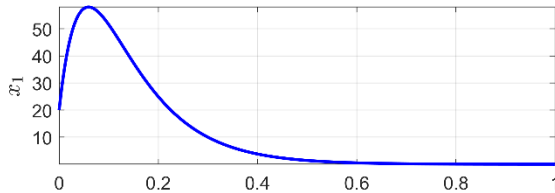
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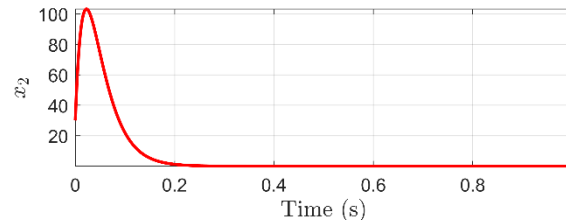
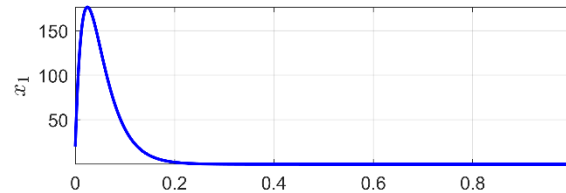
- Designed a state feedback matrix K such that the $\text{eig}(A + BK) = \{-10, -20\}$
- What if we placed the poles further on the left of the complex plane?
 $\text{eig}(A + BK) = \{-30, -50\}$
 $\text{eig}(A + BK) = \{-80, -200\}$



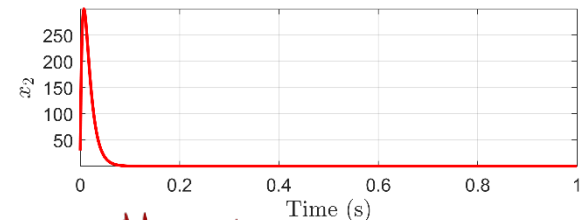
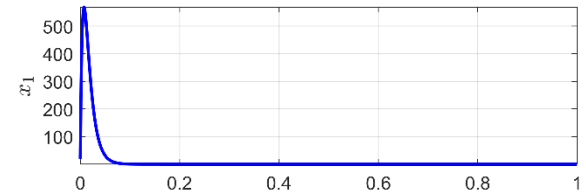
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b
 $\text{eig}(A + BK) = \{-30, -50\}$



c
 $\text{eig}(A + BK) = \{-80, -200\}$



Other techniques for obtaining K : Linear Quadratic Regulator (LQR), Linear Matrix Inequalities (LMI)

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State Feedback and Reference Tracking

- If we consider an LTI model of the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + Bu \\ \underline{y} &= Cx \end{aligned} \quad y = \text{outputs or measurements.}$$

and design a state feedback controller $\underline{u} = Kx$ such that

$$\dot{x} = \underbrace{(A + BK)}_{\lambda(A+BK) \text{ have neg. real part.}} x$$

is asymptotically stable, this implies:

$$x(t), y(t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

- What if we don't want $\underline{x(t)} \rightarrow 0$? or
- What if we would like the output $y = Cx$ to track a reference?


- $y \rightarrow r^*$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$
- We can define error $e(t) = y(t) - r^*$
 - $\rightarrow e(t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$
 - $\rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow r^*$

Problem Definition

- Consider an LTI model of the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + Bu \\ y &= Cx \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^1 \end{aligned}$$

- Problem definition:** Given a reference signal $r(t)$, design a controller $u(t)$ such that $y(t) \rightarrow r(t)$ and make sure $\lambda(A+BK)$ have neg. real part, i.e. system asymp. stable.
- We will assume the reference signal is a step function or constant value

$$\text{i.e. } r(t) = r^* H(t) \quad H(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$


- Define the error as $e_c(t) = r^* - y(t) = r^* - Cx$

- Create a new state (integral of error) $\rightarrow e_I(t) = \int_0^t r - y \, dt$

- Now we have $\Rightarrow \dot{e}_I(t) = r - Cx = r - Cx$ (1 more state)

Increasing the order of system by 1 $\leftarrow \begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax + Bu \\ \dot{e} = r^* - Cx \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{e} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ -C & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ e \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} u + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} r^*$

Augmented State Space Model, and now we can use State feedback

Integral Control

- Consider an LTI model of the form:

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

- Problem definition:** Given a reference signal $r(t)$, design a controller $u(t)$ such that $y(t) \rightarrow r(t)$, define the error as $e(t) = r(t) - y(t)$
- Integral control begins by integrating the error, i.e. $\int e(t)dt = \int r(t) - y(t)dt$
- How does this affect the state space model?

- $\dot{e}_I = r - Cx$ adds one more state \rightarrow

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{e} \end{pmatrix}}_{\tilde{x}_a} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ -C & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{A_a} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x \\ e \end{pmatrix}}_{\tilde{x}_a} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{B_a} u + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{P_a} r^*$$

- Design a state feedback controller for this augmented system $\dot{\tilde{x}}_a = A_a \tilde{x}_a + B_a u + P_a r^*$

Step 1: Check controllability of Aug. system: (A_a, B_a)

$$M_c = [B_a \quad A_a B_a \quad \dots \quad A_a^{\tilde{n}-1} B_a] \quad \text{rank}(M_c) = \tilde{n} \quad (\text{controllable!})$$

Step 2: Obtain K_a st. $\lambda(A_a + B_a K_a)$ have neg. real part. (Asymp. stable)

$$u = K_a \tilde{x}_a = [K \quad k_I] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ e_I \end{bmatrix} = Kx + k_I e_I \quad (\text{State feedback + Integral control})$$

Integrator + State Feedback

- The new system becomes:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{e}_I \end{pmatrix}}_{\dot{x}_a} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ -C & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{A_a} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x \\ e_I \end{pmatrix}}_{x_a} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{B_a} u + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_P r$$

- Design an input $u = K_a x_a$ such that $(A_a + B_a K_a)$ has eigenvalues with negative real part (asymptotically stable)

- Augmented System: $\dot{x}_a = A_a x_a + B_a u + P r$ $u = K_a x_a$

$\Rightarrow \dot{x}_a = A_a x_a + B_a \underbrace{K_a x_a}_u + P r = \underbrace{(A_a + B_a K_a)}_{\substack{\text{Eigenvalues have neg. real part.}}}$ $x_a + P r$

- In our original system

$$u = K_a x_a = [K \quad K_I] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ e_I \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{e}_I \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A+BK & BK_I \\ -C & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ e_I \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} r$$

$$= Kx + K_I e_I$$

- Now the augmented system is Asymptotically Stable, but will $y(t) = Cx(t) \rightarrow r^*$?

Integrator + State Feedback: Steady State

- With a feedback matrix $K_a = \begin{pmatrix} K_x & K_I \end{pmatrix}$, the closed loop system becomes:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{e}_I \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} A + BK_x & BK_I \\ -C & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{A_{cl}} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ e_I \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} r$$

$$e_I = \int (r - y) dt$$

- Can we show that $y(t) \rightarrow r(t)$? or in steady state $y^* = r^* = Cx^*$
 (Assuming $r(t) = r^*H(t)$)

- find the steady state or equilibrium points of the system $r(t) = r^* \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A + BK_x & BK_I \\ -C & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^* \\ e_I^* \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} r$$

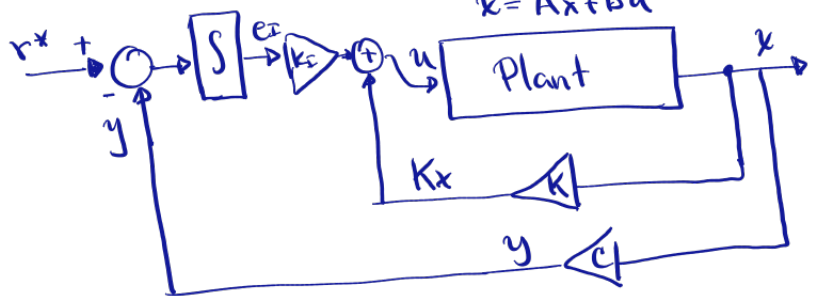
- The second row/equation:

$$0 = -Cx^* + r^* \Rightarrow Cx^* = y^* = r^*$$

$$\boxed{Cx^* = y^* = r^*}$$

or $e^* = 0$

$\Rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow r^*$
 assuming avg. system is asymp. stable.



Boost Converter Example: Voltage Tracking

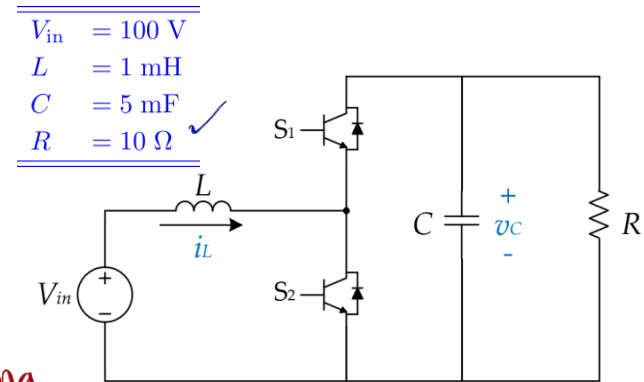
- From topic 2, the state space average model of a boost converter is as follows:

$$\dot{x} = A(u)x + B u_{in}$$

$u = d$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \dot{i}_L \\ \dot{v}_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{-(1-d)}{L} \\ \frac{1-d}{C} & \frac{-1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} V_{in}$$

Cannot use for $u = Kx$



- Our controllable input is d . Therefore, we cannot directly use state feedback techniques. What can we do? *Linearize \leftrightarrow obtaining a linear approx. around a certain operating point*

- The linearized model is as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\tilde{i}}_L \\ \dot{\tilde{v}}_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{-(1-D^*)}{L} \\ \frac{1-D^*}{C} & \frac{-1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{i}_L \\ \tilde{v}_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{V_C^*}{L} \\ \frac{-I_L^*}{C} \end{pmatrix} \tilde{d} \Rightarrow \dot{\tilde{x}} = \underline{A} \tilde{x} + \underline{B}_d \tilde{d}$$

$V_{in}^* = 100V$ e.g. $D^* = 0.5$

- What is $V_C^* = ?$ and $I_L^* = ?$ \rightarrow Equilibrium points $\Rightarrow V_C^* = \frac{1}{1-D^*} V_{in}^* = \frac{1}{0.5} (100) = 200V$

$$I_L^* = \frac{1}{R(1-D^*)^2} V_{in}^* = \frac{1}{10(0.5)^2} \cdot 100V$$

- Goal: Design input or $\tilde{d} = K \tilde{x} + K_I e_I$ s.t. - closed loop system is asymptotically stable (locally)

- $v_C \rightarrow r^* = V_C^*$

Boost Converter Example: Voltage Tracking Diagram

- The linearized model is as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\tilde{i}}_L \\ \dot{\tilde{v}}_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{-(1-D^*)}{L} \\ \frac{1-D^*}{C} & \frac{-1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{i}_L \\ \tilde{v}_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{V_C^*}{L} \\ \frac{-I_L^*}{C} \end{pmatrix} \tilde{d} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{\tilde{x}} = A\tilde{x} + B_d\tilde{d}$$

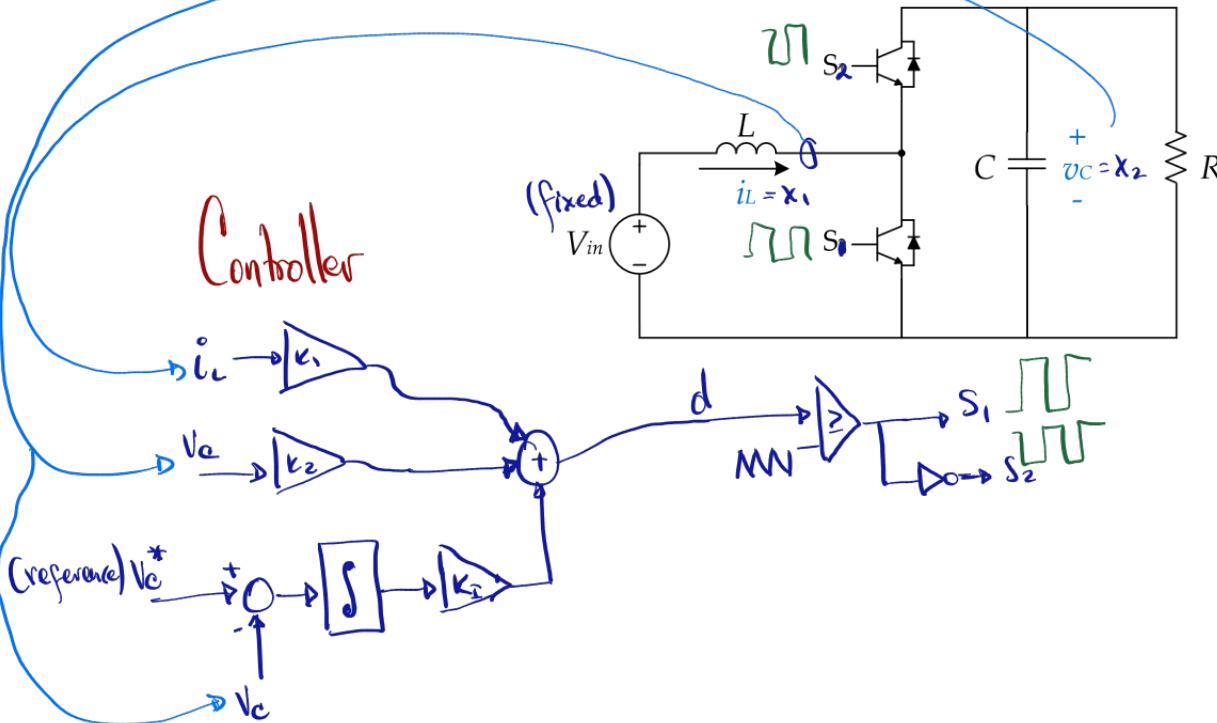
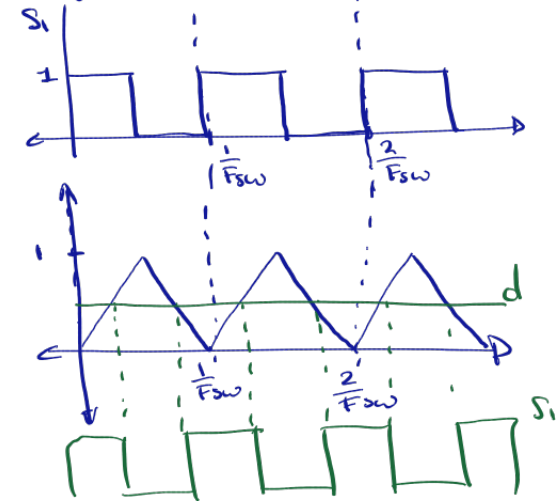
- Use the linearized model to design an **integral+state feedback controller** to set the output voltage to a reference

$F_{sw} = 10\text{kHz}$

duty cycle = d = percentage of time

S_1 is on in one switching period

if $d=0.5$



Boost Converter Example: Voltage Tracking Design

- The linearized model is as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\tilde{i}}_L \\ \dot{\tilde{v}}_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{-(1-D^*)}{L} \\ \frac{1-D^*}{C} & \frac{-1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{i}_L \\ \tilde{v}_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{V_C^*}{L} \\ \frac{-I_L^*}{C} \end{pmatrix} \tilde{d} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{\tilde{x}} = A\tilde{x} + B_d\tilde{d}$$

- Use the linearized model to design an integral+state feedback controller to set the output voltage to a reference

- Goal: 1) (Locally) Asymp. Stable
 2) $v_c \rightarrow v_c^*$ if $e = v_c^* - v_c \Rightarrow e \rightarrow 0$

- $u = \tilde{d} = K\tilde{x} + k_I e_I$ $e_I \triangleq \int v_c^* - v_c dt$ or $\dot{e}_I = v_c^* - \tilde{v}_c$ If we augment $x_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ e_I \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow u = \tilde{d} = \underline{K_\alpha} x_\alpha$

1) Obtain augmented state space model

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\tilde{i}}_L \\ \dot{\tilde{v}}_C \\ \dot{e}_I \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{x}_\alpha} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{-(1-D^*)}{L} & 0 \\ \frac{1-D^*}{C} & \frac{-1}{RC} & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_\alpha} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{i}_L \\ \tilde{v}_C \\ e_I \end{bmatrix}}_{x_\alpha} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{V_C^*}{L} \\ \frac{-I_L^*}{C} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{B_\alpha} \tilde{d} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{P} v_c^r$$

$$u = \tilde{d} = K_\alpha x_\alpha$$

$$\Downarrow$$

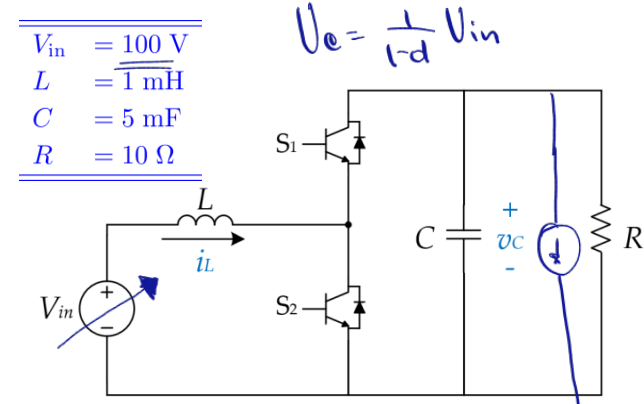
$$\dot{x}_\alpha = (A_\alpha + B_\alpha K_\alpha) x_\alpha + P v_c^r$$

2) Use (A_α, B_α) to place the eigenvalues of $\lambda(A_\alpha + B_\alpha K_\alpha)$ by finding $K_\alpha = [k \quad k_I]$

Boost Converter Example: Voltage Tracking Results

- The linearized model is as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\tilde{i}}_L \\ \dot{\tilde{v}}_C \\ \dot{\tilde{e}}_V \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{-(1-D^*)}{L} \\ \frac{1-D^*}{C} & \frac{-1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{i}_L \\ \tilde{v}_C \\ \tilde{e}_V \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{V_C^*}{L} \\ \frac{-I_L^*}{C} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tilde{d}$$

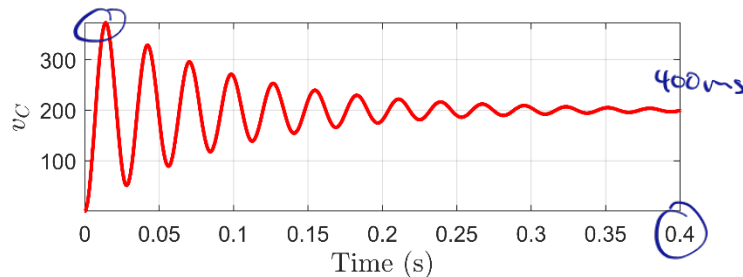
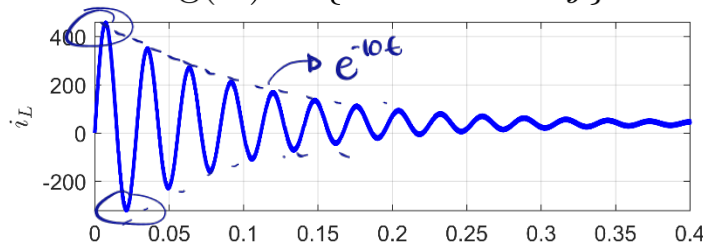


- Place the poles of the augmented system at

$$\text{eig}(A_a + B_a K_a) = \{-200 + 342.13j, -200 - 342.13j, -200\}$$

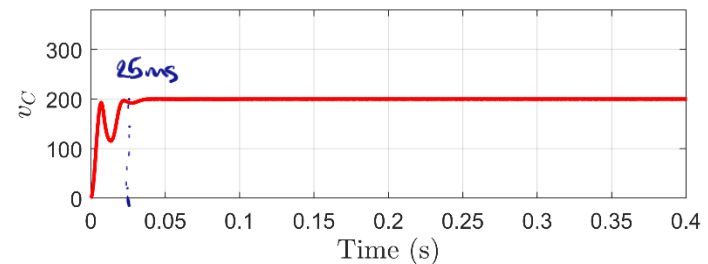
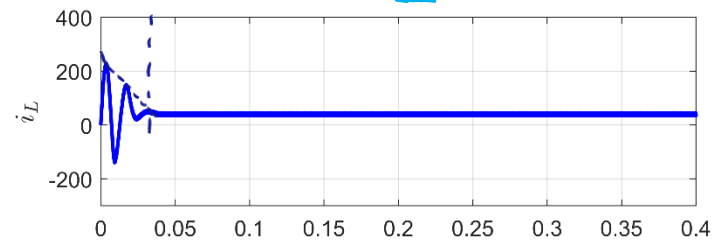
Open loop, $d = 0.5$

$$\text{eig}(A) = \{-10 \pm 223.8j\}$$



$d = K_1 x + K_2 e_i$

Closed loop, $V_r^* = 200 \text{ V}$



Outline

- Why do we need control?
- State feedback control for stabilization
- Integral control for reference tracking

- **Inner/outer loop control for power electronics**

Very common!

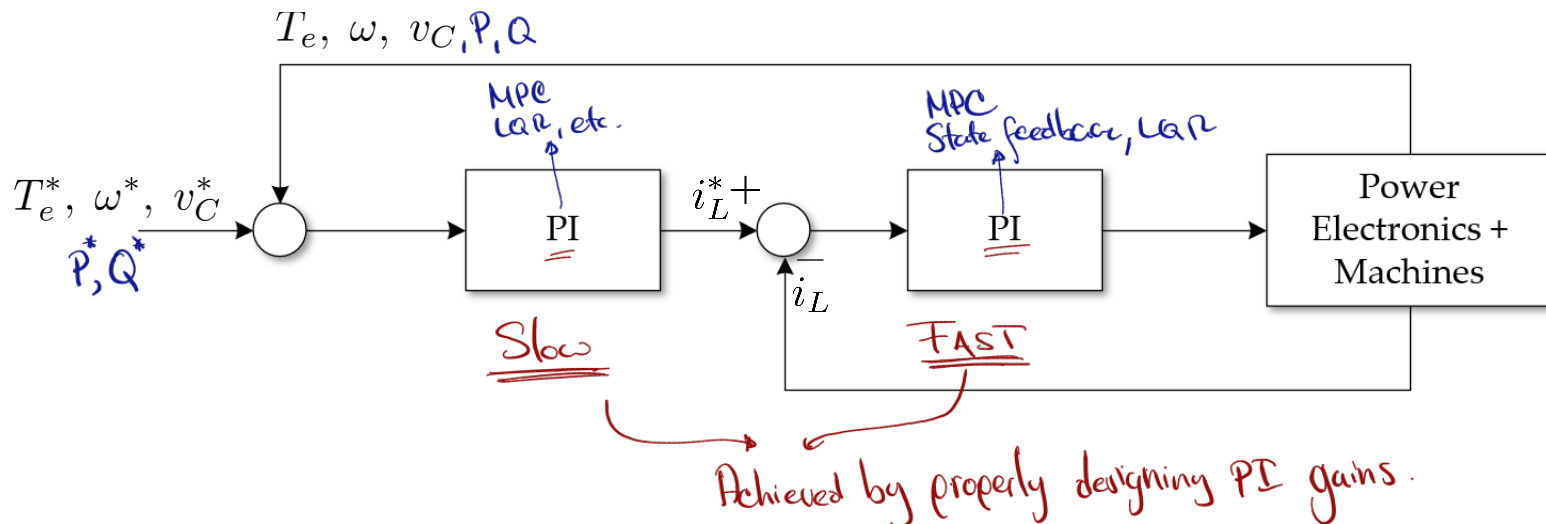
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Midterm

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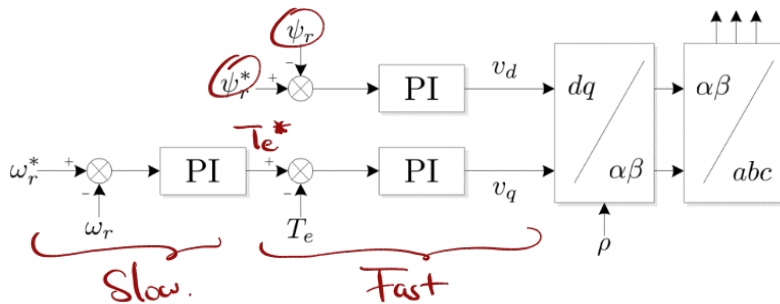
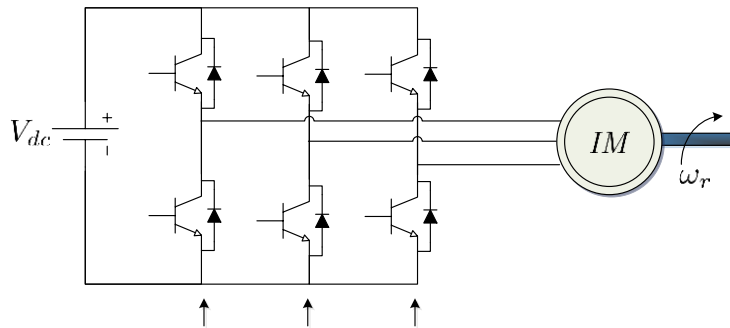
Power Electronics + Machines + Control

- Control techniques are able to command the power electronics and machines to regulate necessary variables such as:
 - Voltage, current
 - Active and reactive power
 - Torque and speed
 - ...
- In many applications**, the control structure to accomplish this is generally as follows



Motivation from Physical Systems

- One of the reasons this control structure has appeared is the **time scales** that exists in these systems:
 - Current has a faster decay ratio (small inductance) $\leadsto V_c = L \frac{di}{dt} \Rightarrow \uparrow \frac{di}{dt} = \frac{V_c}{L} \downarrow$
 - Voltage/speed is slower (**larger capacitance/inertia**)
- Some examples can be seen in electric machines and dc/dc converters



<https://www.tesla.com/models?redirect=no>

- The inner loop quickly regulates the current while the outer loop controls the speed/torque

Assumptions for Inner/Outer Loop Control

- Control designs for these systems generally falls under **singular perturbation techniques** (Actual System)

$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ z \end{pmatrix}$

$$\dot{x} = f(x, z, u, d)$$

$x =$ Slow states (outer loop)

$$\epsilon \dot{z} = g(x, z, u, d)$$

$z =$ Fast states (inner loop)

where $0 < \epsilon \ll 1$

\rightarrow Singular perturbation variable. as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow z$ (fast states) become instantaneous.
if $\epsilon = 0 \rightarrow 0 = g(x, z, u, d)$

- Assumption 1:** The slow modes are relatively **constant** when seen through the fast dynamics

(When designing fast inner loop)

Constant

$$\epsilon \dot{z} = g(\bar{x}, z, u, d) = \tilde{g}(z, u, d)$$

- Assumption 2:** The fast modes are **instantaneous** when analyzing the slow states:

(for Outer loop design)

$$\dot{x} = f(x, z, u, d)$$

$$0 = g(x, z, u, d) \rightarrow z = h(x, u, d)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= f(x, h(x, u, d), u, d) \\ &= \tilde{f}(x, u, d) \end{aligned}$$

2 references \rightarrow "Nonlinear Systems" H. Khalil
 \rightarrow work P. Kokotovic

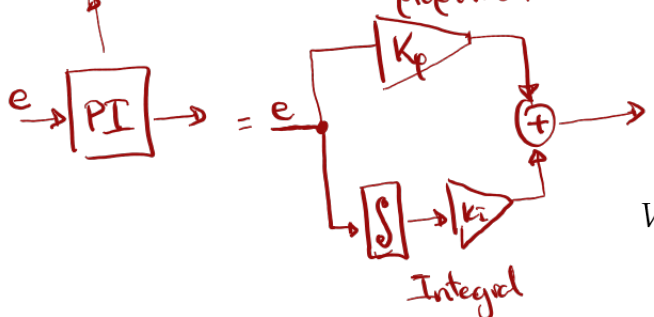
Example: Buck Converter

- The buck converter average state space model is:

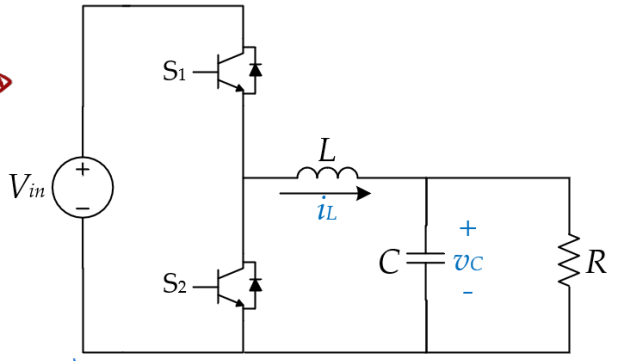
$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{L} \\ \frac{1}{C} & -\frac{1}{RC} \end{pmatrix}}_A \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_B \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} dV_{dc} \\ u \end{pmatrix}}_u = Ax + Bu \quad (\text{Linear System})$$

- Design an inner/outer loop control to track the output voltage

proportional + integral

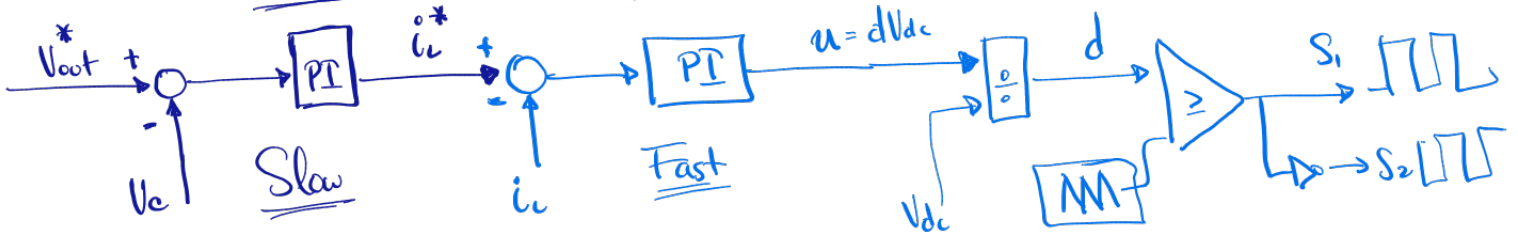


2 integrators ⇒ The closed loop system will have 2 more states. → 4th order system.



Outer loop

Inner loop

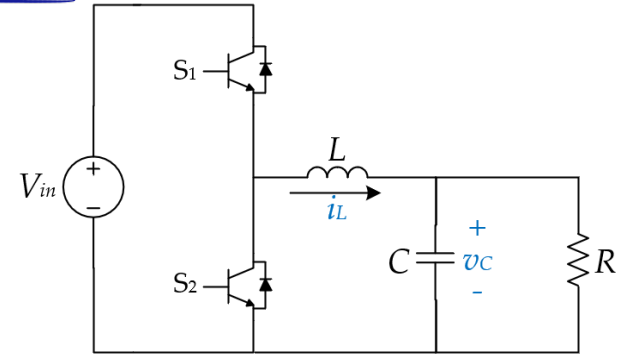


Example: Buck Converter - Simplification

- The buck converter average state space model is:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{L} \\ \frac{1}{C} & -\frac{1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{dV_{dc}}_u$$

Approximation



- Design an inner/outer loop control to track the output voltage
- Apply the singular perturbation assumptions:

Slow state(s) $\dot{v}_C = -\frac{1}{RC} v_C + \frac{1}{C} i_L$

Fast state(s) $\dot{i}_L = -\frac{1}{L} v_C + \frac{1}{L} u$

Assumption 1: Slow states are relatively constant when seen through fast state dynamics.

$$\Rightarrow \dot{i}_L \approx -\frac{1}{L} \bar{v}_C + \frac{1}{L} u \quad (\text{first order system})$$

↪ constant v_C

Assumption 2: The (closed loop) fast states are instantaneous when seen through slow state dyn.

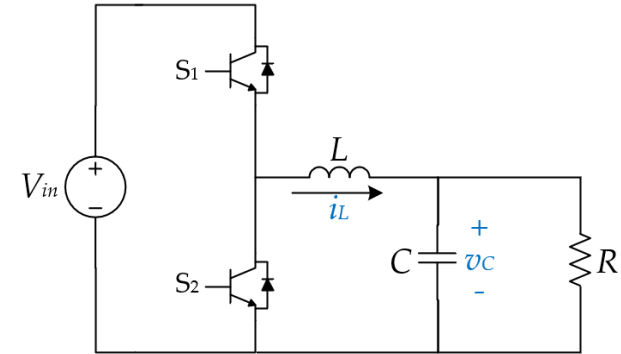
$$\dot{v}_C = -\frac{1}{RC} v_C + \frac{1}{C} i_L^*, \quad i_L = i_L^* \quad (\text{instantaneous})$$

(first order system)

Example: Buck Converter – Inner Loop

- The buck converter average state space model is:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{L} \\ \frac{1}{C} & -\frac{1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{matrix} dV_{dc} \\ u \end{matrix}}_u$$



- Design an inner/outer loop control to track the output voltage
- Apply the singular perturbation assumptions: (1) *Slow states are constants.*

- inner/fast dynamics are simplified to

2nd order system $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} i_L \approx \frac{1}{L} u - \frac{1}{L} \bar{v}_C \rightarrow \text{constant value} \\ e_I = i_L^* - i_L \end{array} \right.$

$$\dot{\underline{z}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{A^I} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ e_I \end{pmatrix}}_{\underline{z}} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{B^I} u + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{P^I} \bar{v}_C \Rightarrow \dot{\underline{z}} = A^I \underline{z} + B^I u + P^I \bar{v}_C = (A^I + B^I K^I) \underline{z} + P^I \bar{v}_C$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\underline{z}} = \underline{(A^I + B^I K^I)} \underline{z} + P^I \bar{v}_C$$

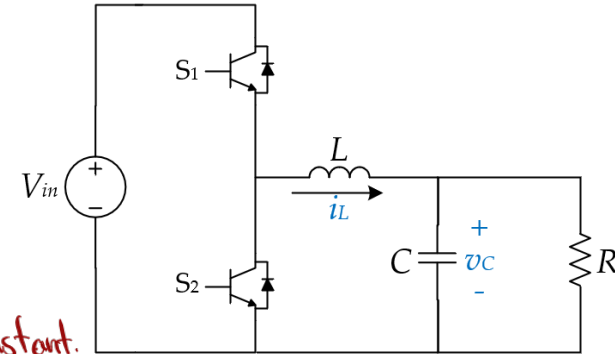
$$u = \underbrace{k_p^i (i_L^* - i_L)}_{PI} + \underbrace{k_I^i e_I}_{K^I} = [-k_p \quad k_I] \begin{bmatrix} i_L \\ e_I \end{bmatrix} + k_p^i i_L^*$$

- $K^I = -\text{place}(A^I, B^I, [\lambda_1^I \quad \lambda_2^I])$
 $k_p = -K^I(c)$
 $k_I = K^I(z)$
** desired location **
- FAST

Example: Buck Converter – Outer Loop

- The buck converter average state space model is:

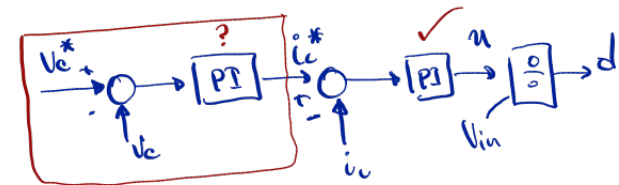
$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{L} \\ \frac{1}{C} & -\frac{1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{dV_{dc}}_u$$



- Design an inner outer loop control to track the output voltage

- Apply the singular perturbation assumptions: (2) Fast states are instant.

• Slow dynamics $\dot{v}_C = \frac{1}{C} i_L - \frac{1}{RC} v_C$ ($i_L = i_L^*$) $\rightarrow i_L = i_L^*$



$$\begin{cases} \dot{v}_C \approx -\frac{1}{RC} v_C + \frac{1}{C} i_L^* \\ \dot{e}_i = v_C^* - v_C \end{cases}$$

$$\text{input} = i_L^* = K^0 x$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} v_C \\ e_i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$i_L^* = K^0 x = [k_1 \ k_2] \begin{bmatrix} v_C \\ e_i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{x} = A^0 x + B^0 i_L^* + P^0 v_C^*, \quad i_L^* = K^0 x \Rightarrow \dot{x} = (A^0 + B^0 K^0) x + P^0 v_C^*$$

$$K^0 = -\text{place}(A^0, B^0, [s_1^* \ s_2^*])$$

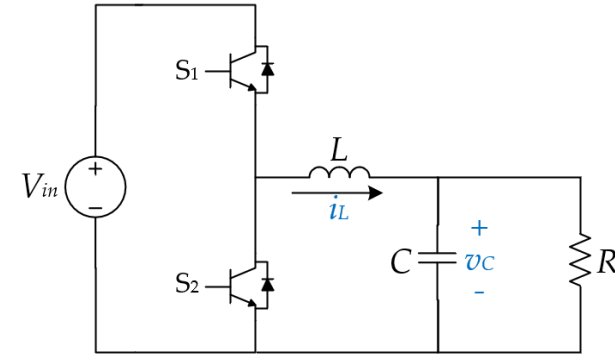
$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \dot{v}_C \\ \dot{e}_i \end{pmatrix}}_{\dot{x}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{RC} & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{A^0} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} v_C \\ e_i \end{pmatrix}}_x + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{C} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{B^0} i_L^* + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{P^0} v_C^*$$

$$K_I^0 = K^0(2) \quad K_P^0 = -K^0(1)$$

Example: Buck Converter – Combined Controller

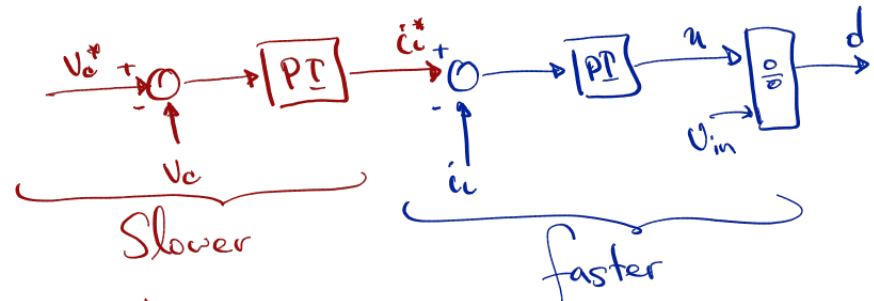
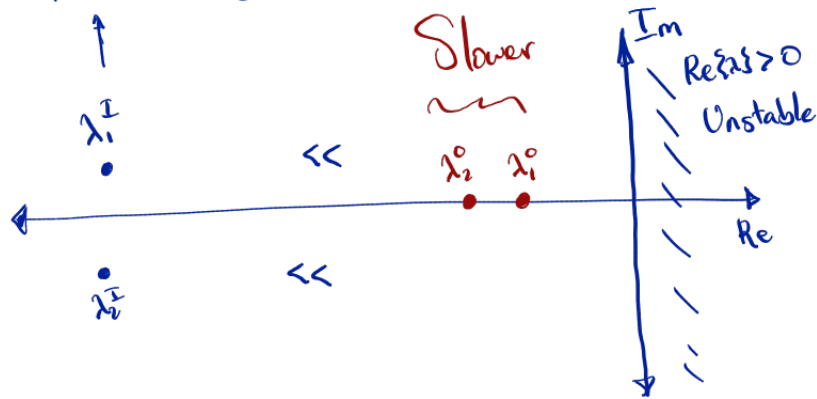
- The buck converter average state space model is:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{L} \\ \frac{1}{C} & -\frac{1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{dV_{dc}}_u$$



- Design an inner/outer loop control to track the output voltage
- Apply the singular perturbation assumptions:

Inner/Fast loop eigenvalues.



$$x = \begin{pmatrix} v_C \\ e_i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dot{x} = (A^o + B^o k^o)x + P^o v_c^*$$

$$\text{eig}(A^o + B^o k^o) = \{\lambda_1^o, \lambda_2^o\}$$

$$z = \begin{pmatrix} i_c \\ e_i^I \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dot{z} = (A^I + B^I k^I)z + P^I \dot{i}_c^*$$

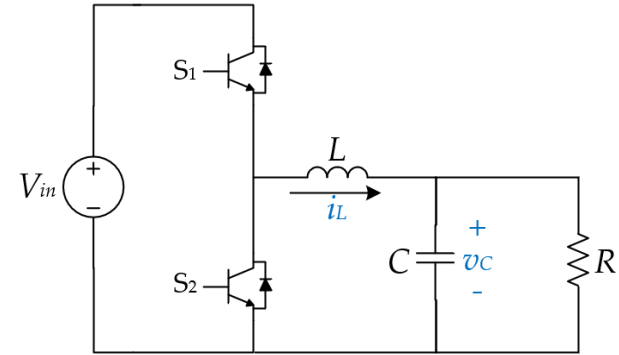
$$\text{eig}(A^I + B^I k^I) = \{\lambda_1^I, \lambda_2^I\}$$

- The location of these eigenvalues are obtained from 2 assumptions. or approx models
- May not be the actual location if we use actual model (next slide)

Example: Buck Converter – Actual Model

- The buck converter average state space model is:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{L} \\ \frac{1}{C} & -\frac{1}{RC} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{dV_{dc}}_u$$



- Design an inner/outer loop control to track the output voltage
- ~~Apply the singular perturbation assumptions:~~

• We have 2 integrators (2 PI) \Rightarrow 2 more states.

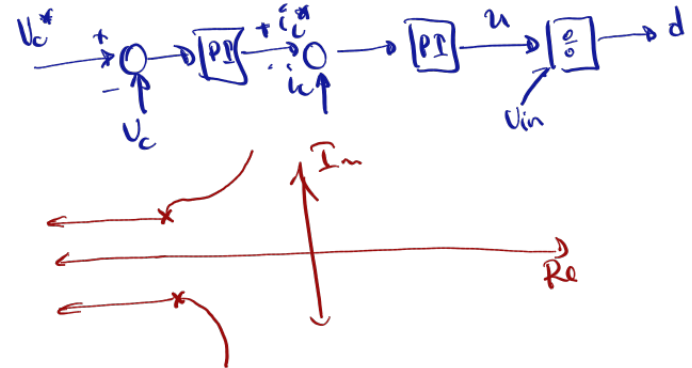
• Write the additional states.

- Inner loop $e_I = \int i_i^* - i_L dt \rightarrow \dot{e}_I = i_i^* - i_L$

- Outer loop $e_o = \int v_o^* - v_o dt \rightarrow \dot{e}_o = v_o^* - v_o$

Entire System

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{i}_L \\ \dot{v}_C \\ \dot{e}_I \\ \dot{e}_o \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{L} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{C} & -\frac{1}{RC} & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_L \\ v_C \\ e_I \\ e_o \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{L} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} i_i^* + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} v_o^*$$



$$u = K_p^i (i_i^* - i_L) + K_I^i e_I$$

$$i_i^* = K_p^o (v_o^* - v_o) + K_I^o e_o$$

- Choosing inner/outer loop PI gains is not trivial, we cannot use pole placement.
- Root locus: plot of the eigenvalues as a function of PI gains.

Three phase AC/DC and DC/AC converters

- abc to dq transformation
- Space vector PWM
- Phase Lock Loop (PLL)
- Controller Design Overview