

Control theory: state-space approach for linear systems

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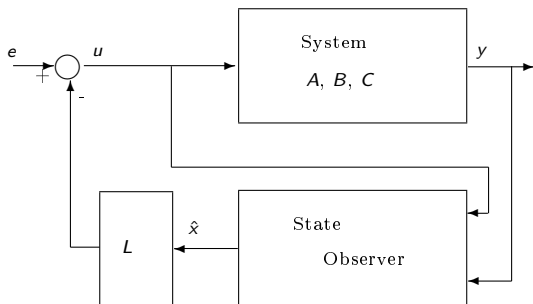
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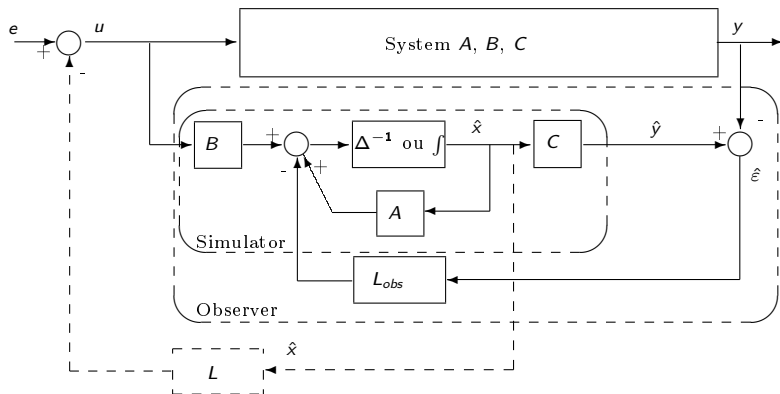
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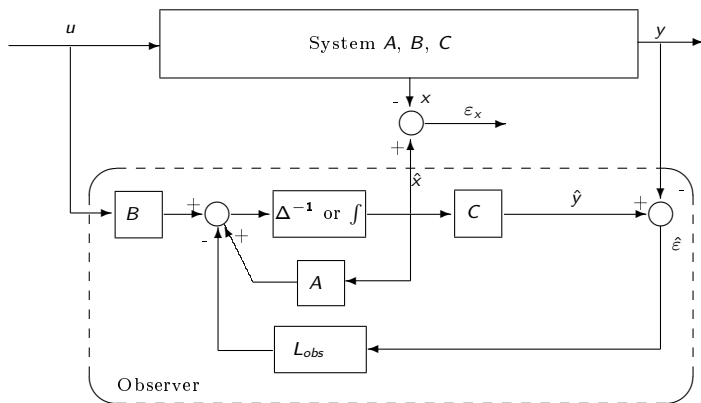
$$u = e - L\hat{x}.$$



State observer principle



Synthesis of matrix L_{obs}



To find L_{obs} , we focus on system with "input" $u(t)$ and "output" $\epsilon_x(t) = \hat{x}(t) - x(t)$.

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- ▶ This leads to solve

$$|sI - A + L_{obs}C| = P_{obs}(s) \Leftrightarrow |sI - A^T + C^T L_{obs}^T| = P_{obs}(s)$$

in which $P_{obs}(s)$ is chosen : **pole placement equation**.