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Reading: FPE, Chapter 7

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#### Goal: Pole Placement by State Feedback

Consider a single-input system in state-space form:

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Today, our goal is to establish the following fact:

If the above system is *controllable*, then we can assign arbitrary closed-loop poles by means of a state feedback law

$$u = -Kx = -\begin{pmatrix} k_1 & k_2 & \dots & k_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= -(k_1x_1 + \dots + k_nx_n).$$

where K is a  $1 \times n$  matrix of feedback gains.

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### Controller Canonical Form

A single-input state-space model

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is said to be in Controller Canonical Form (CCF) is the matrices A, B are of the form

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A system in CCF is always controllable!!

(The proof of this for n > 2 uses the Jordan canonical form, we will not worry about this.)

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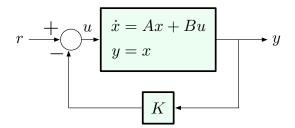
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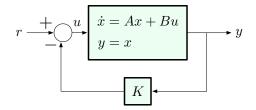
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Now we will see that this is particularly straightforward if the (A, B) system is in CCF.

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Claim.

$$\det(Is - A) = s^{n} + a_{1}s^{n-1} + \ldots + a_{n-1}s + a_{n}$$

— the last row of the A matrix in CCF consists of the coefficients of the characteristic polynomial, in reverse order, with "—" signs.

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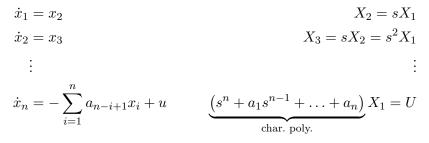
Represent this as a system of ODEs:

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