Robust Stabilization via Measured State Feedback

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Abstract: Geometric methods are instrumental in understanding the internal structure of a system: fundamental, in this respect, are certain special (normal) forms in which the model of a nonlinear system can be expressed. The main feature of these normal forms is that they allow recursive feedback design to the purpose of achieving either global stability, or stability with a guaranteed region of attraction.

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