

# Module 02

## Control Systems Preliminaries, Intro to State Space

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# Physical Laws and Models

- Any controls course is generally about **dynamical** or **dynamic** systems
- By definition, dynamical systems **are dynamic** because they change with time
- Change in the sense that their intrinsic properties evolve, vary
- Examples: coordinates of a drone, speed of a car, body temperature, concentrations of chemicals in a centrifuge
- Physicists and engineers like to represent dynamic systems with equations—because nerdiness
- Why? Well, the answer is fairly straightforward
- Equations allow us to get away from chaos

# Physical Laws

- For many systems, it's easy to understand the physics, and hence the math behind the physics
  - Examples: circuits, motion of a cart, pendulum, suspension system
- For the majority of dynamical systems, the actual physics is complex
- Hence, it can be hard to depict the dynamics with differential eqns
  - Examples: human body temperature, thermodynamics, spacecrafts
- This illustrates the needs for *models*
- **Dynamic system model:** a mathematical description of the actual physics
- Very important question: **Why do we need a system model?**  
Because control
- Remember George Box's quote:

ALL MODELS ARE WRONG, BUT SOME ARE USEFUL.

# Modeling in Control 101: Transfer Functions?



- \* **TFs:** *a mathematical representation to describe relationship between inputs and outputs of the physics of a system, i.e., of the differential equations that govern the motion of bodies, for example*
- **Input:** always defined as  $u(t)$ —called control action
- **Output:** always defined as  $y(t)$ —called measurement or sensor data
- TF relates the derivatives of  $u(t)$  and  $y(t)$
- Why is that important? Well, think of  $\sum F = ma$
- ‘ $F$ ’ above is the input (exerted forces), and the output is the acceleration, ‘ $a$ ’

# Construction of Transfer Functions



- For linear systems, we can often represent the system dynamics through an  $n$ th order ordinary differential equation (ODE):

$$y^{(n)}(t) + a_{n-1}y^{(n-1)}(t) + a_{n-2}y^{(n-2)}(t) + \dots + a_0y(t) = u^{(m)}(t) + b_{m-1}u^{(m-1)}(t) + b_{m-2}u^{(m-2)}(t) + \dots + b_0u(t)$$

- The  $y^{(k)}$  notation means we're taking the  $k$ th derivative of  $y(t)$
- Given that ODE description, we can take the Laplace transform (assuming zero initial conditions for all signals)

$$\mathcal{L} [f^{(n)}(t)] = s^n F(s) - s^{n-1}f(0) - s^{n-2}f^{(1)}(0) - \dots - sf^{(n-2)}(0) - f^{(n-1)}(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{s^m + b_{m-1}s^{m-1} + \dots + b_0}{s^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_0}$$

# Transfer Functions (Are Boring)

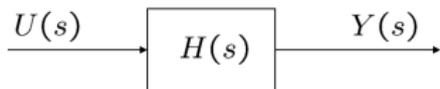


- Given this TF:

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{s^m + b_{m-1}s^{m-1} + \dots + b_0}{s^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_0}$$

- For a given control signal  $u(t)$  or  $U(s)$ , we can find the output of the system,  $y(t)$ , or  $Y(s)$
- Impulse response:** defined as  $h(t)$ —the output  $y(t)$  if the input  $u(t) = \delta(t)$
- Step response:** the output  $y(t)$  if the input  $u(t) = 1^+(t)$
- For any input  $u(t)$ , the output is:  $y(t) = h(t) * u(t)$
- But...Convolutions are nasty...Who likes them?

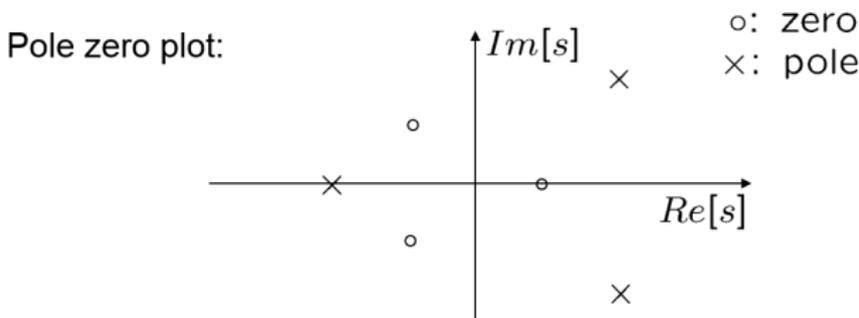
# TFs of Generic LTI Systems



- So, we can take the Laplace transform:  $Y(s) = H(s)U(s)$
- Typically, we can write the TF as:

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{s^m + b_{m-1}s^{m-1} + \dots + b_0}{s^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_0}$$

- Roots of numerator are called the **zeros** of  $H(s)$  or the system
- Roots of the denominator are called the **poles** of  $H(s)$



# Example

Given:  $H(s) = \frac{2s + 1}{s^3 - 4s^2 + 6s - 4}$

- **Zeros:**  $z_1 = -0.5$
- **Poles:** solve  $s^3 - 4s^2 + 6s - 4 = 0$ , use MATLAB's roots command
- \* `poles=roots[1 -4 6 -4]; poles = {2, 1 + j, 1 - j}`
- **Factored form:**

$$H(s) = 2 \frac{s + 0.5}{(s - 2)(s - 1 - j)(s - 1 + j)}$$

- Please go through [http://engineering.utsa.edu/~taha/teaching2/EE3413\\_Module2.pdf](http://engineering.utsa.edu/~taha/teaching2/EE3413_Module2.pdf) for a review of Laplace transforms and ODEs

# Analyzing Generic Physical Systems

*Seven-step algorithm:*

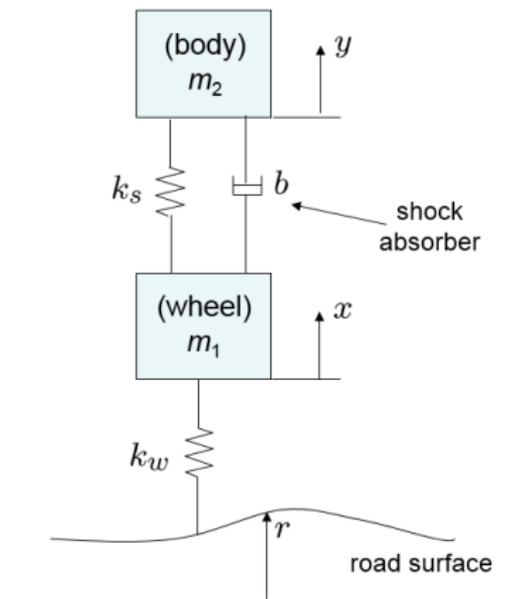
- ① Identify dynamic variables, inputs ( $u$ ), and system outputs ( $y$ )
- ② Focus on one component, analyze the dynamics (physics) of this component
  - How? Use Newton's Equations, KVL, or thermodynamics laws...
- ③ After that, obtain an  $n$ th order **ODE**:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y^{(i)}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j u^{(j)}(t)$$

- ④ Take the Laplace transform of that **ODE**
- ⑤ Combine the equations to eliminate internal variables
- ⑥ Write the transfer function from input to output
- ⑦ For a certain control  $U(s)$ , find  $Y(s)$ , then  $y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}[Y(s)]$

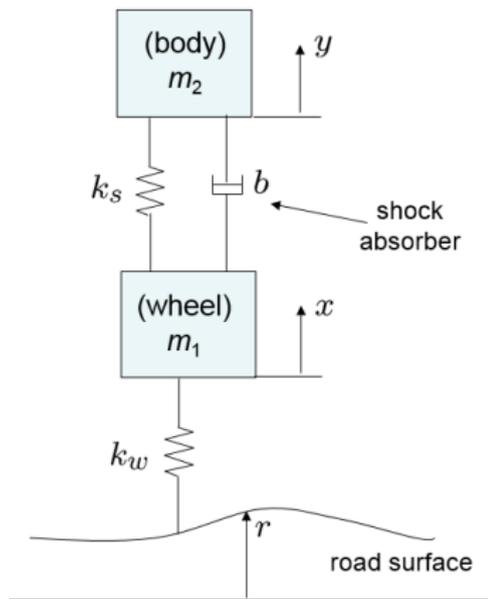
# Active Suspension Model

- Each car has 4 active suspension systems (on each wheel)
- System is nonlinear, but we consider approximation. **Objective?**
- **Input:** road altitude  $r(t)$  (or  $u(t)$ ), **Output:** car body height  $y(t)$



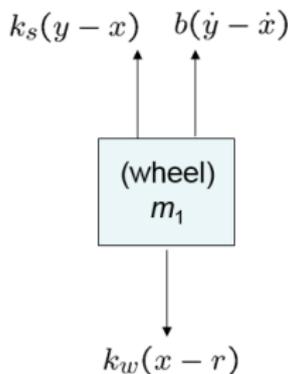
# Active Suspension Model — Equations for 1 Wheel

- We only consider one of the four systems
- System has many components, most important ones are: body ( $m_2$ ) & wheel ( $m_1$ ) weights

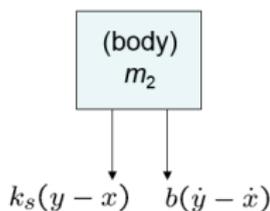
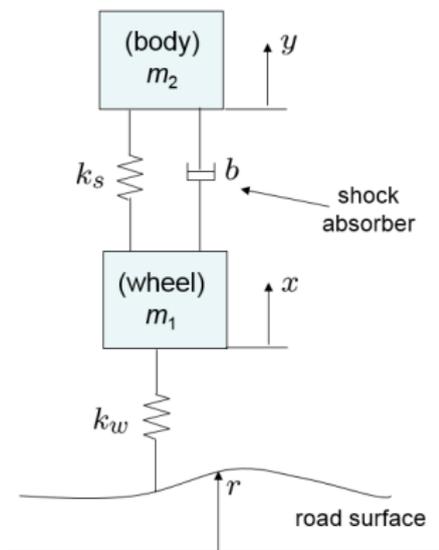


By Newton's Second Law

$$m_1 \ddot{x} = k_s(y - x) + b(\dot{y} - \dot{x}) - k_w(x - r)$$



# Active Suspension Model — Equations for Car Body



By Newton's Second Law

$$m_2 \ddot{y} = -k_s(y - x) - b(\dot{y} - \dot{x})$$

- We now have 2 equations depicting the car body and wheel motion
- Objective: find the TF relating output ( $y(t)$ ) to input ( $r(t)$ )
- What is  $H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)}$ ?

# Active Suspension Model — Transfer Function

- **Differential equations (in time):**

$$m_1\ddot{x}(t) = k_s(y(t) - x(t)) + b(\dot{y}(t) - \dot{x}(t)) - k_w(x(t) - r(t))$$

$$m_2\ddot{y}(t) = -k_s(y(t) - x(t)) - b(\dot{y}(t) - \dot{x}(t))$$

- **Take Laplace transform given zero ICs:**

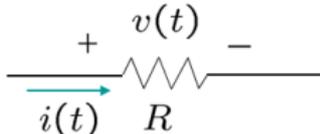
– **Solution:**

- Find  $H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)}$

– **Solution:**

# Basic Circuits Components

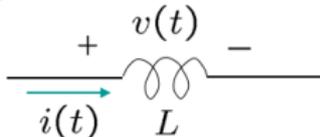
resistor



$$v(t) = Ri(t)$$

$$V(s) = RI(s) \Rightarrow \frac{V(s)}{I(s)} = R$$

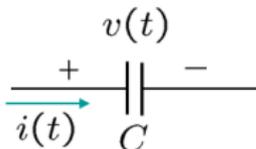
inductor



$$v(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt}$$

$$V(s) = LsI(s) \Rightarrow \frac{V(s)}{I(s)} = Ls$$

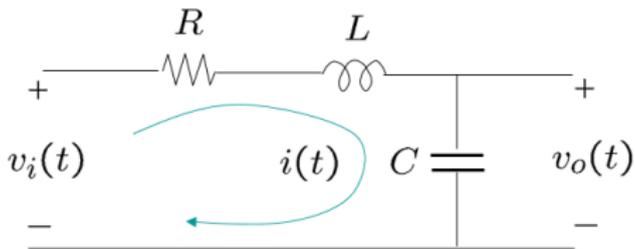
capacitor



$$i(t) = C \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$$

$$I(s) = CsV(s) \Rightarrow \frac{V(s)}{I(s)} = \frac{1}{Cs}$$

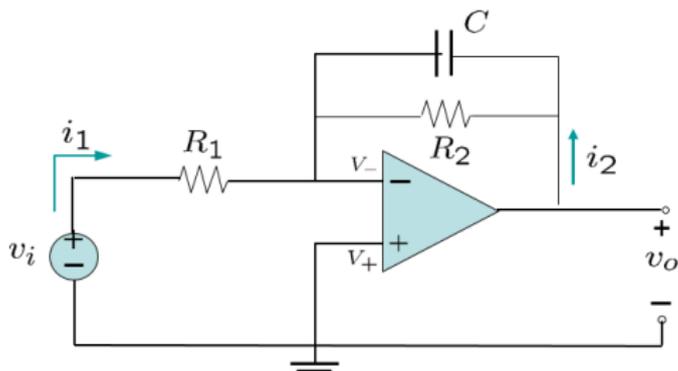
# Basic Circuits — RLCs & Op-Amps



$v_i(t)$  : input

$v_o(t)$  : output

Transfer function  $\frac{V_o(s)}{V_i(s)}$

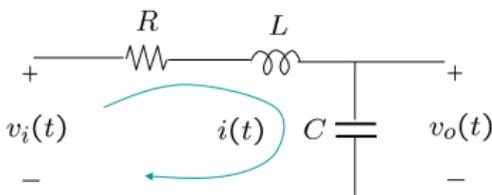


$v_i(t)$  : input

$v_o(t)$  : output

Transfer function  $\frac{V_o(s)}{V_i(s)}$

# TF of an RLC Circuit — Example



Objective: Find TF

$v_i(t)$  : input

$v_o(t)$  : output

Transfer function  $\frac{V_o(s)}{V_i(s)}$

- Apply KVL (assume zero ICs):

$$v_i(t) = Ri(t) + L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int i(\tau) dt$$

$$v_o(t) = \frac{1}{C} \int i(\tau) dt$$

- Take LT for the above differential equations:

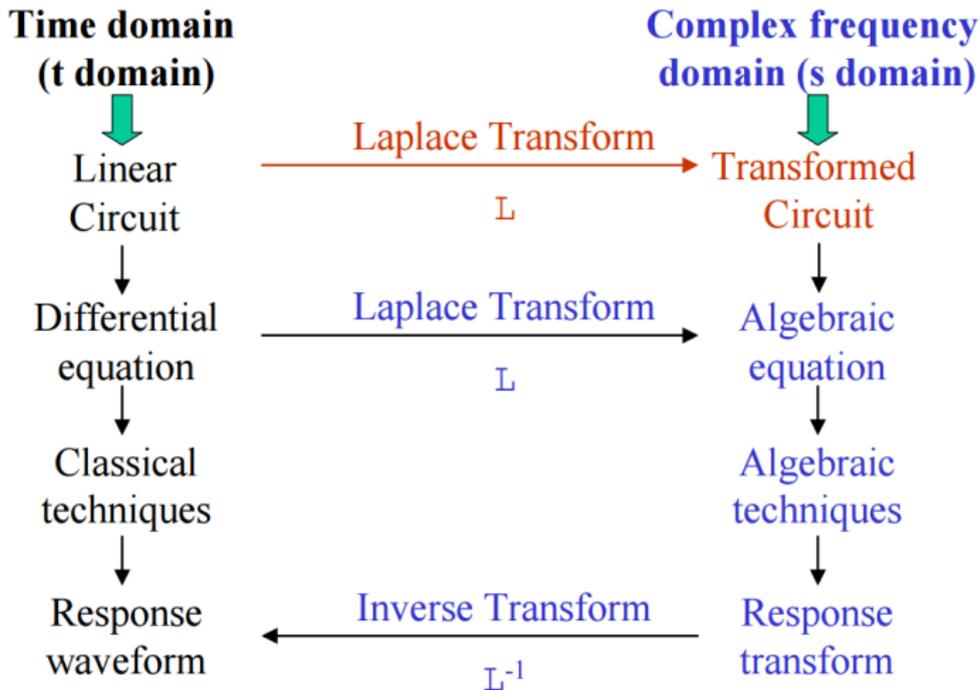
$$V_i(s) = RI(s) + LsI(s) + \frac{1}{Cs} I(s)$$

$$V_o(s) = \frac{1}{Cs} I(s) \Rightarrow I(s) = CsV_o(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{V_o(s)}{V_i(s)} = \frac{1}{LCs^2 + RCs + 1}}$$

# Generic Circuit Analysis

## s-Domain Circuit Analysis



# General Discussion on Equivalent Systems

Translational Mechanical	Rotational Mechanical	Series RLC Circuit	Parallel RLC Circuit
Position $x$	Angle $\theta$	Charge $q$	Flux linkage $\phi$
Velocity $\frac{dx}{dt}$	Angular velocity $\frac{d\theta}{dt}$	Current $\frac{dq}{dt}$	Voltage $\frac{d\phi}{dt}$
Mass $M$	Moment of inertia $I$	Inductance $L$	Capacitance $C$
Spring constant $K$	Torsion constant $\mu$	Elastance $1/C$	Magnetic reluctance $1/L$
Damping $\zeta$	Rotational friction $\Gamma$	Resistance $R$	Conductance $G = 1/R$
Drive force $F(t)$	Drive torque $\tau(t)$	Voltage $e$	Current $i$
Undamped resonant frequency $f_n$ :			
$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{K}{M}}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{I}}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}}$
Differential equation:			
$M\ddot{x} + \zeta\dot{x} + Kx = F$	$I\ddot{\theta} + \Gamma\dot{\theta} + \mu\theta = \tau$	$L\ddot{q} + R\dot{q} + q/C = e$	$C\ddot{\phi} + G\dot{\phi} + \phi/L = i$

# Dynamic Models in Nature

- Predator-prey equations are 1st order non-linear, ODEs
- Describe the dynamics of biological systems where 2 species interact
- One species as a predator and the other as a prey
- Populations change through time according to these equations:

$$\dot{x}(t) = \alpha x(t) - \beta x(t)y(t)$$

$$\dot{y}(t) = \delta x(t)y(t) - \gamma y(t)$$

- $x(t)$ : # of preys (e.g., rabbits)
- $y(t)$ : # of predators (e.g., foxes)
- $\dot{x}(t), \dot{y}(t)$ : growth rates of the 2 species—function of time,  $t$
- $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ : +ve real parameters depicting the interaction of the species

# Mathematical Model

$$\dot{x}(t) = \alpha x(t) - \beta x(t)y(t)$$

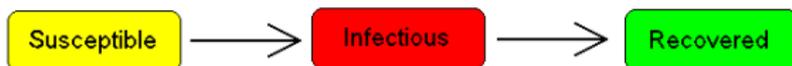
$$\dot{y}(t) = \delta x(t)y(t) - \gamma y(t)$$

- Prey's population grows exponentially ( $\alpha x(t)$ )—why?
- Rate of predation is assumed to be proportional to the rate at which the predators and the prey meet ( $\beta x(t)y(t)$ )
- If either  $x(t)$  or  $y(t)$  is zero then there can be no predation
- $\delta x(t)y(t)$  represents the growth of the predator population
- No prey  $\Rightarrow$  no food for the predator  $\Rightarrow y(t)$  decays
- Is there an equilibrium? What is it?

# Dynamics in Epidemiology

- **Epidemiology:** The branch of medicine that deals with the incidence, distribution, and possible control of diseases and other factors relating to health
- In the past 10 years, mathematicians, biologists, and physicists studied mathematical models of epidemics
- Why is that important?
- Various models focus on different things:
  - SIR Model: **S** for the number susceptible, **I** for the number of infectious, and **R** for the number recovered
  - SIS Model: Infections like cold and influenza, do not possess lasting immunity
  - SEIR: **E** for exposed
  - MSIR: **M** stands for maternally-derived immunity
  - SEIS and many, many more

# SIR Model



- Here, we present the dynamic model for the SIR model
- We take flu as an example of the SIR model
- Define variable  $S(t)$ ,  $I(t)$ ,  $R(t)$  representing the number of people in each category at time  $t$ . The SIR model can be written as

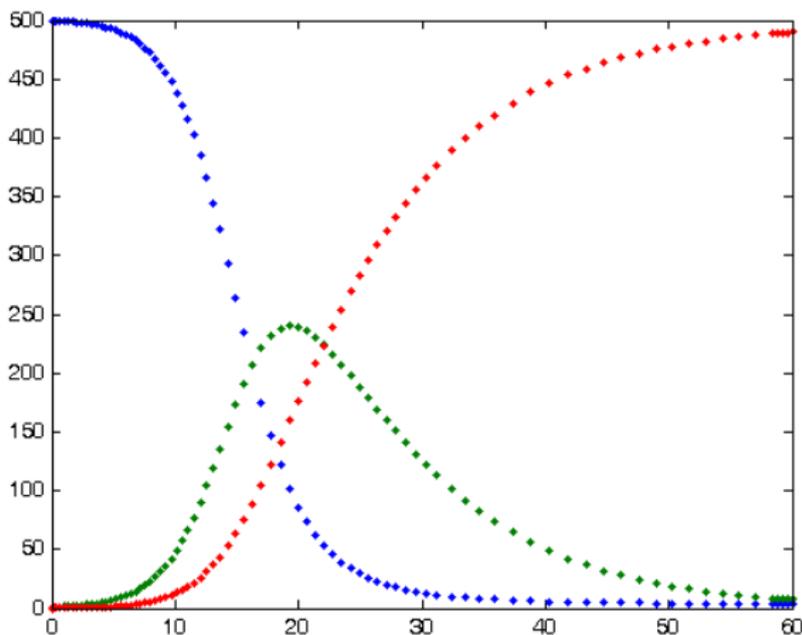
$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\frac{\beta IS}{N}$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \frac{\beta IS}{N} - \gamma I$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I.$$

- $N$  is the total number of people, with  $S(t) + I(t) + R(t) = N$
- The force of infection  $F$  can be written as  $F = \beta I/N$
- $\beta$  is the contact rate, and  $\gamma$  is the transition rate (rate of recovery)

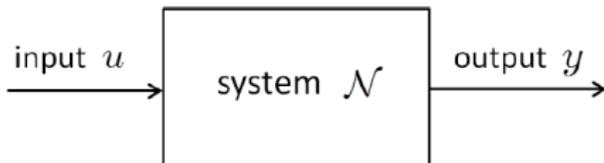
# So who do these quantities vary?



Blue represents **Susceptible**, Green represents **Infected**, and Red represents the **Recovered** population.

# System Model—Generalization Beyond ODEs

Mathematical model of physical processes:



- System is a signal processor:

$$y = \mathcal{N}(u).$$

- $u$ : input signal
- $y$ : output signal
- $\mathcal{N}$ : input-output mapping
- $\mathcal{N}$  could be described by ODEs, PDEs, SDEs, difference equations, algorithms, etc.

# Input & Output Signals

- Real vector-valued functions over a time index  $\mathcal{I}$ :

$$u : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, \quad y : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$$

- Continuous-time signals if  $\mathcal{I} = \mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$ :

$$u(t), \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

- Discrete-time signals if  $\mathcal{I} = \mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots\}$ :

$$u[k], \quad k = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots$$

Admissible input set  $\mathcal{U}$ : set of all input signals  $u$  allowed.

- Choice of  $\mathcal{U}$  depends on applications
- Example:  $u(t) \in \mathcal{U}$  if its Laplace transform  $\mathcal{L}[u]$  exists:
  - $u(t)$  is causal:  $u(t) = 0, \forall t < 0$
  - $u(t)$  is exponentially bounded

# Causality in Systems

- **Causality** is the basic property in systems that one process caused another process to happen
- Do not confuse causation with correlation: causation necessitates a relationship between the cause and effect—correlation does not
- Anyway, here's some rigorous definitions

**DEF1** A system  $\mathcal{N}$  is causal if the output at time  $t$  does not depend on the values of the input at any time  $t' > t$

**DEF2** A system  $\mathcal{N}$  mapping  $x$  to  $y$  is causal IFF for any pair of input signals  $x_1(t)$  and  $x_2(t)$  such that  $x_1(t) = x_2(t)$ ,  $\forall t \leq t_0$ , the output satisfies

$$y_1(t) = y_2(t), \quad \forall t \leq t_0.$$

**DEF3** If  $h(t)$  is the impulse response of the system  $\mathcal{N}$ , then the system is causal IFF

$$h(t) = 0, \quad \forall t < 0$$

# Discrete vs. Continuous & Linear vs. Nonlinear Systems

## Discrete-time vs. Continuous-time Systems

System  $\mathcal{N}$  is

- a *continuous-time system* if both input and output are continuous-time signals
- a *discrete-time system* if both input and output are discrete-time signals
- a *hybrid system* if both types of signals exist in the system

## Linear vs. Nonlinear Systems

System  $\mathcal{N}$  is

- a *linear system* if for all  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{U}$  and all  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\mathcal{N}(\lambda_1 u_1 + \lambda_2 u_2) = \lambda_1 \mathcal{N}(u_1) + \lambda_2 \mathcal{N}(u_2)$$

- a *nonlinear system* if otherwise

# Time-Invariant vs. Time-Varying & Lumped vs. Distributed Systems

## Time-Invariant vs. Time-Varying Systems

System  $\mathcal{N}$  is

- a *time-invariant system* if for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}$  and all  $T \in \mathcal{I}$ ,

$$y(\cdot) = \mathcal{N}(u(\cdot)) \Rightarrow y(\cdot - T) = \mathcal{N}(u(\cdot - T))$$

- a *time-varying system* if otherwise

## Lumped vs. Distributed Systems

System  $\mathcal{N}$  is

- a *lumped system* if it has a finite number of state variables
- a *distributed system* if it has an infinite number of state variables

What are the state variables of a system?

State variables is a set of variables whose values at any moment completely characterize the “state-of-the-art” of the system

# Examples

Are these systems linear? Nonlinear? TV? TI? Discrete? Continuous?  
Causal? Non-Causal?

- $y(t) = (u(t))^2$
- $y(t) = t^2 u(t)$
- $y(t) = u(t) - u(t - 1)$
- $y(t) = u(t) - u(t + 1)$
- $\dot{y}(t) = (u(t))^2 + u(t - 1)$
- $y(k + 1) = y(k) + u(k)$

# Modern Control

- In the undergrad control course, methods that pertain to the analysis and design of control systems via frequency-domain techniques were presented
- Root locus, PID controllers, compensators, state-feedback control, etc...
- These studies are considered as the classical control theory—based on the s-domain
- This course focuses on time-domain techniques
- Theory is based on *State-Space Representations*—modern control
- Why do we need that? Many reasons

# ODEs & Transfer Functions



- For linear systems, we can often represent the system dynamics through an  $n$ th order ordinary differential equation (ODE):

$$y^{(n)}(t) + a_1 y^{(n-1)}(t) + a_2 y^{(n-2)}(t) + \cdots + a_{n-1} \dot{y}(t) + a_n y(t) = b_0 u^{(n)}(t) + b_1 u^{(n-1)}(t) + b_2 u^{(n-2)}(t) + \cdots + b_{n-1} \dot{u}(t) + b_n u(t)$$

- Input:  $u(t)$ ; Output:  $y(t)$ —What if we have MIMO system?
- Given that ODE description, we can take the LT (assuming zero initial conditions for all signals):

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + b_{n-1} s + b_n}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_{n-1} s + a_n}$$

# ODEs & TFs

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0s^n + b_1s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1}s + b_n}{s^n + a_1s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}s + a_n}$$

- This equation represents relationship between **one system input and one system output**
- This relationship, however, **does not show me the internal states of the system, nor does it explain the case with multi-input system**
- For that (and other reasons), we discuss the notion of **system state**
- **Definition:**  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  is a state-vector that belongs to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :  $\mathbf{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- $\mathbf{x}(t)$  is an internal state of a system
- Examples: voltages and currents of circuit components

# ODEs, TFs to State-Space Representations

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0s^n + b_1s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1}s + b_n}{s^n + a_1s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}s + a_n}$$

- **State-space (SS) theory:** representing the above TF of a system by a **vector-form first order ODE:**

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}u(t), \quad \mathbf{x}_{\text{initial}} = \mathbf{x}_{t_0}, \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}u(t), \quad (2)$$

- $\mathbf{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ : **dynamic state-vector of the LTI system**,  $u(t)$ : **control input-vector**,  $n$  = order of the TF/ODE
- $\mathbf{y}(t)$ : output-vector and  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}$  are constant matrices
- For the above transfer function, we have one input  $U(s)$  and one output  $Y(s)$ , hence the size of  $\mathbf{y}(t)$  and  $u(t)$  is only one (scalars), while the size of vector  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  is  $n$ , which is the order of the TF
- **Objective:** learn how to construct matrices  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}$  given a TF

# State-Space Representation 1

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0s^n + b_1s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1}s + b_n}{s^n + a_1s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}s + a_n}$$

- Given the above TF/ODE, we want to find

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}u(t)$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}u(t)$$

- The above two equations represent a relationship between the input and output of the system via the internal system states
- The above 2 equations are nothing but a first order differential equation
- Wait, WHAT? But the TF/ODE was an  $n$ th order ODE. How do we have a **first order ODE** now?
- Well, because this equation is vector-matrix equation, whereas the ODE/TF was a scalar equation
- Next, we'll learn how to get to these 2 equations from any TF

# State-Space Representation 2 [Ogata, P. 689]

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = b_0 + \frac{(b_1 - a_1 b_0)s^{n-1} + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0)s + (b_n - a_n b_0)}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_{n-1} s + a_n}$$

which can be modified to

$$Y(s) = b_0 U(s) + \hat{Y}(s) \quad (9-71)$$

where

$$\hat{Y}(s) = \frac{(b_1 - a_1 b_0)s^{n-1} + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0)s + (b_n - a_n b_0)}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_{n-1} s + a_n} U(s)$$

Let us rewrite this last equation in the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\hat{Y}(s)}{(b_1 - a_1 b_0)s^{n-1} + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0)s + (b_n - a_n b_0)} \\ &= \frac{U(s)}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_{n-1} s + a_n} = Q(s) \end{aligned}$$

From this last equation, the following two equations may be obtained:

$$s^n Q(s) = -a_1 s^{n-1} Q(s) - \cdots - a_{n-1} s Q(s) - a_n Q(s) + U(s) \quad (9-72)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{Y}(s) &= (b_1 - a_1 b_0)s^{n-1} Q(s) + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0)s Q(s) \\ &+ (b_n - a_n b_0) Q(s) \end{aligned} \quad (9-73)$$

# State-Space Representation 3 [Ogata, P. 689]

Now define state variables as follows:

$$X_1(s) = Q(s)$$

$$X_2(s) = sQ(s)$$

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$$X_{n-1}(s) = s^{n-2}Q(s)$$

$$X_n(s) = s^{n-1}Q(s)$$

Then, clearly,

$$sX_1(s) = X_2(s)$$

$$sX_2(s) = X_3(s)$$

$$\cdot$$

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$$sX_{n-1}(s) = X_n(s)$$

# State-Space Representation 4 [Ogata, P. 689]

which may be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_3 \\ &\vdots \\ &\vdots \\ \dot{x}_{n-1} &= x_n\end{aligned}\tag{9-74}$$

Noting that  $s^n Q(s) = sX_n(s)$ , we can rewrite Equation (9-72) as

$$sX_n(s) = -a_1 X_n(s) - \cdots - a_{n-1} X_2(s) - a_n X_1(s) + U(s)$$

or

$$\dot{x}_n = -a_n x_1 - a_{n-1} x_2 - \cdots - a_1 x_n + u\tag{9-75}$$

Also, from Equations (9-71) and (9-73), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}Y(s) &= b_0 U(s) + (b_1 - a_1 b_0) s^{n-1} Q(s) + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0) s Q(s) \\ &\quad + (b_n - a_n b_0) Q(s) \\ &= b_0 U(s) + (b_1 - a_1 b_0) X_n(s) + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0) X_2(s) \\ &\quad + (b_n - a_n b_0) X_1(s)\end{aligned}$$

The inverse Laplace transform of this output equation becomes

$$y = (b_n - a_n b_0) x_1 + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0) x_2 + \cdots + (b_1 - a_1 b_0) x_n + b_0 u\tag{9-76}$$

# Final Solution

- Combining equations (9-74,75,76), we can obtain the following **vector-matrix first order differential equation**:

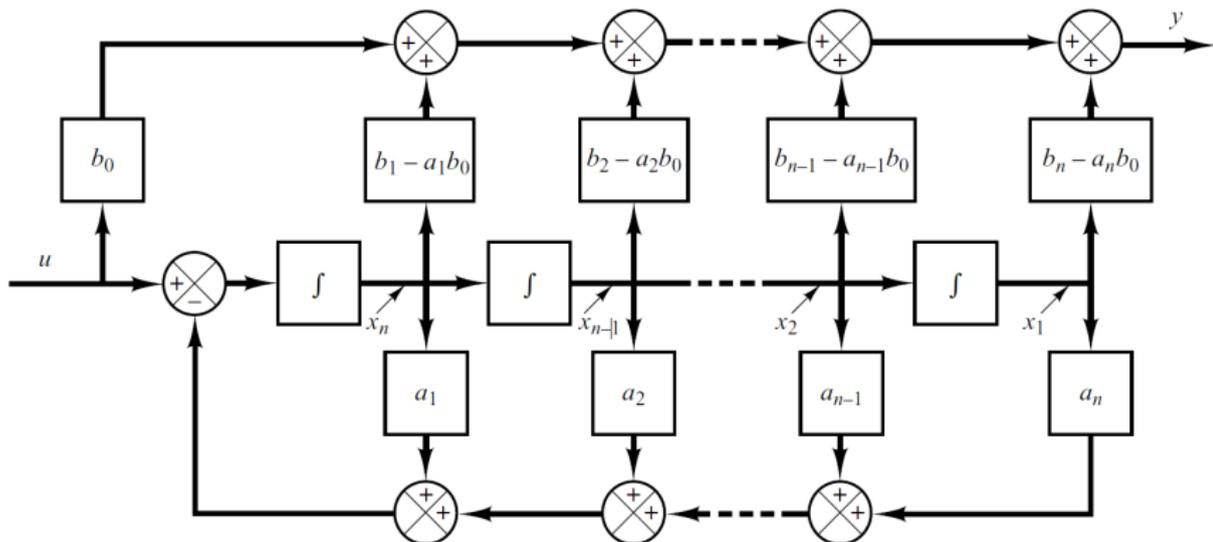
$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_{n-1}(t) \\ \dot{x}_n(t) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ -a_n & -a_{n-1} & -a_{n-2} & \cdots & -a_1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Ax}(t)} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1}(t) \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Bu}(t)} u(t)$$

$$y(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} b_n - a_n b_0 & b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0 & \cdots & b_1 - a_1 b_0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Cx}(t)} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1}(t) \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{b_0 u(t)}_{\mathbf{Du}(t)}$$

# Remarks

- For any TF with order  $n$  (order of the denominator), with one input and one output:
  - $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ ,  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}$
  - Above matrices are constant  $\Rightarrow$  system is linear **time-invariant** (LTI)
  - If one term of the TF/ODE (i.e., the a's and b's) change as a function of time, the matrices derived above will also change in time  $\Rightarrow$  system is linear **time-varying** (LTV)
- The above state-space form is called the *controllable canonical form*
- You can come up with different forms of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$  matrices given a different transformation

# State-Space and Block Diagrams



- From the derived eqs. before, you can construct the block diagram
- An integrator block is equivalent to a  $\frac{1}{s}$ , the inputs and outputs of each integrator are the derivative of the state  $\dot{x}_i(t)$  and  $x_i(t)$
- A system (TF/ODE) of order  $n$  can be constructed with  $n$  integrators (you can construct the system with more integrators)

# Example 1

- Find a state-space representation (i.e., the state-space matrices) for the system represented by this second order transfer function:

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{s + 3}{s^2 + 3s + 2}$$

- Solution:** look at the previous slides with the matrices:

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1} s + b_n}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} s + a_n} = \frac{\overbrace{0}^{b_0} s^2 + \overbrace{1}^{b_1} s + \overbrace{3}^{b_2}}{s^2 + \underbrace{3}_{a_1} s + \underbrace{2}_{a_2}}$$

- First,  $n = 2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$ ,  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}$ ,  $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{B}} u(t)$$

$$y(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{0}_{\mathbf{D}} u(t)$$

# Other State-Space Forms Given a TF/ODE<sup>1</sup>

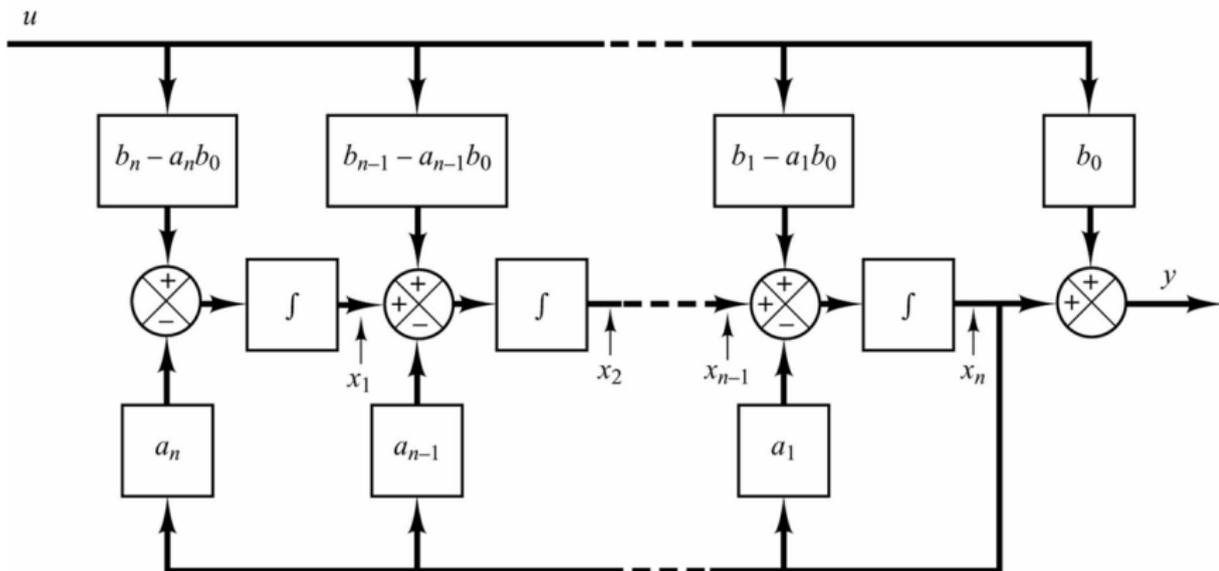
## Observable Canonical Form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \dot{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -a_n \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -a_{n-1} \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & -a_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_n - a_n b_0 \\ b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ b_1 - a_1 b_0 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ x_{n-1} \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + b_0 u$$

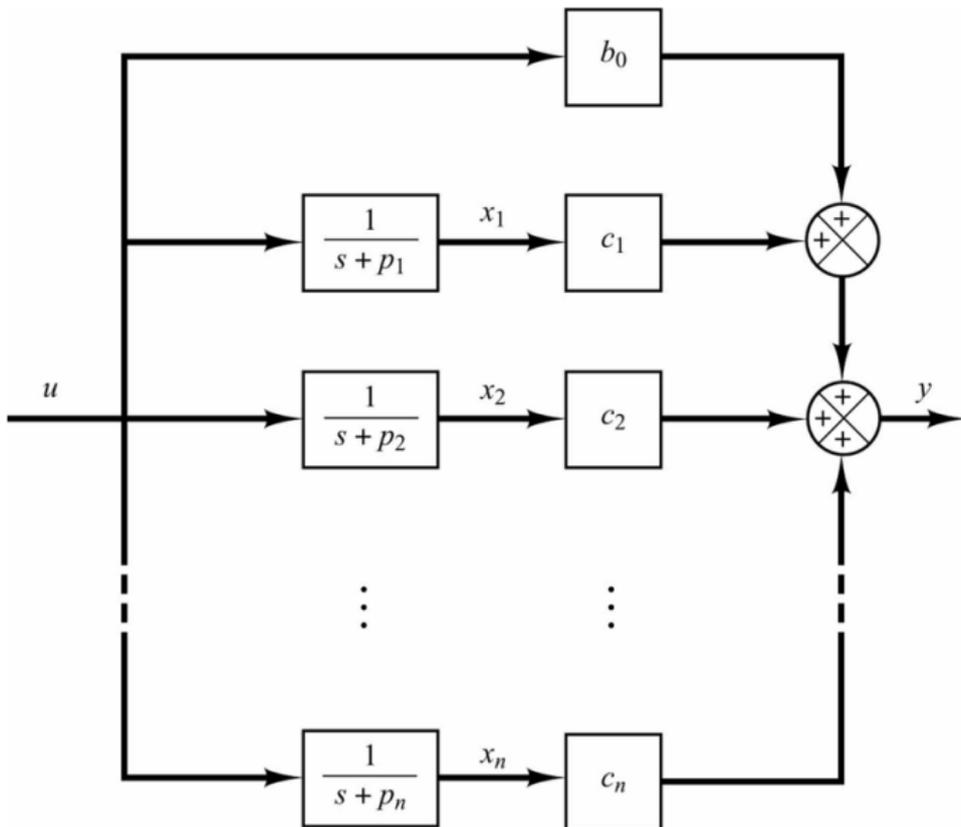
<sup>1</sup>Derivation from Ogata, but similar to the controllable canonical form.

# Block Diagram of Observable Canonical Form





# Block Diagram of Diagonal Canonical Form



# Example 1 Solution for other Canonical Forms

- Find the observable and diagonal forms for

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{\overbrace{0}^{b_0} s^2 + \overbrace{1}^{b_1} s + \overbrace{3}^{b_2}}{s^2 + \underbrace{3}_{a_1} s + \underbrace{2}_{a_2}}$$

- Solution:** look at the previous slides with the constructed state-space matrices:

- Observable Canonical Form:**

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}}_A \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B u(t), \quad y(t) = \underbrace{[0 \quad 1]}_C \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{0}_D u(t)$$

- Diagonal Canonical Form:**

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}}_A \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B u(t), \quad y(t) = \underbrace{[2 \quad -1]}_C \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{0}_D u(t)$$

# State-Space to Transfer Functions

- Given a state-space representation:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}u(t)$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}u(t)$$

can we obtain the transfer function back? **Yes:**

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \mathbf{C}(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D}$$

- Example:** find the TF corresponding for this SISO system:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{B}} u(t), \quad \mathbf{y}(t) = \underbrace{[2 \quad -1]}_{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{0}_{\mathbf{D}} u(t)$$

- Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} &= \mathbf{C}(s\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D} = [2 \quad -1] \left( s \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \\ &= \frac{s + 3}{s^2 + 3s + 2}, \text{ that's the TF from the previous example!} \end{aligned}$$

# MATLAB Commands

- `ss2tf(A,B,C,D,iu)`
- `tf2ss(num,den)`
- Demo

# Important Remarks

- So why do we want to go from a transfer function to a time-representation, ODE form of the system?
- There are many benefits for doing so, such as:
  - ① Stability analysis for MIMO systems becomes way easier
  - ② We have powerful mathematical tools that help us design controllers
  - ③ RL and compensator designs were relatively tedious design problems
  - ④ With state-space representations, we can easily design controllers
  - ⑤ Nonlinear dynamics: cannot use TFs for nonlinear systems
  - ⑥ State-space is all about time-domain analysis, which is far more intuitive than frequency-domain analysis
  - ⑦ With Laplace transforms and TFs, we had to take inverse Laplace transforms. In many cases, the Laplace transform does not exist, which means time-domain analysis is the only way to go
- We will learn how to get a solution for  $y(t)$  for any given  $u(t)$  from the state-space representation of the system without Laplace transform—via ODE solutions for matrix-vector equations

# State Space Generalization: Nonlinear Lumped Systems

A continuous-time lumped system with the state  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = f(x(t), u(t), t) \\ y(t) = g(x(t), u(t), t) \end{cases}, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

- $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ : state
- $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ : input
- $y(t) \in \mathbb{R}^p$ : output

A discrete-time lumped system with the state  $x[k] \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\begin{cases} x[k+1] = f(x[k], u[k], k) \\ y[k] = g(x[k], u[k], k) \end{cases}, \quad k = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots$$

- $x[k] \in \mathbb{R}^n$ : state
- $u[k] \in \mathbb{R}^m$ : input
- $y[k] \in \mathbb{R}^p$ : output

# State Space Generalization: LTV Systems

A continuous-time lumped linear system with state  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t) \\ y(t) = C(t)x(t) + D(t)u(t) \end{cases}, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

where  $A(t), B(t), C(t), D(t)$  are matrices of proper dimension

A discrete-time lumped linear system with state  $x[k] \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\begin{cases} x[k+1] = A[k]x[k] + B[k]u[k] \\ y[k] = C[k]x[k] + D[k]u[k] \end{cases}, \quad k = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots$$

where  $A[k], B[k], C[k], D[k]$  are matrices of proper dimension

# State Space Generalization: LTI Systems

A continuous-time lumped LTI system with state  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t) \end{cases}, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

where  $A, B, C, D$  are constant matrices of proper dimension

A discrete-time lumped linear system with state  $x[k] \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\begin{cases} x[k+1] = Ax[k] + Bu[k] \\ y[k] = Cx[k] + Du[k] \end{cases}, \quad k = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots$$

where  $A, B, C, D$  are constant matrices of proper dimension

# Important Remarks, Milestones

- We have introduced state-space (SS) representations
- The main use of SS is to generate real-time values and numerical solutions for  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ , the vector that includes the states of the system
- The main problem to be solved here is: *Given an initial condition for system  $\mathbf{x}(0)$  and a control input  $\mathbf{u}(t)$  (single input (scalar), or multiple inputs (vector)), what will the state of the system ( $\mathbf{x}(t)$ ) be? What about  $\mathbf{y}(t)$ ?*
- To answer this question, we need to find a solution to the *matrix-vector differential equation*:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)$$

- If the system has one state, no controls, the solution is obvious
- If the system has multiple states, controls, solution is a bit complicated
- To find the answer to the above question, we will have to go through a review of basic mathematical concepts—next Module

# Questions And Suggestions?



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