

Midterms Revision Guide

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1 W1: Linear Time-Invariant Systems

1.1 Signals

- Signal: function changing in time and space

Continuous signal e.g. $x(t)$, $-\infty < t < \infty$

Discrete signal e.g. $x[k]$, $k = 1, 2, \dots$

Deterministic signal e.g. $x(t) = \cos \omega t$ exact value of $x(t)$ at any t is known

Random/stochastic signal e.g. $x(t) = \cos(\omega t + \phi)$, $\phi = \{0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\}$ exact value of $x(t)$ at any t is unknown

Periodic signal e.g. $x(t) = \sin t$, where $x(t) = x(t + T)$

Non-periodic signal e.g. $x(t) = \begin{cases} \cos t, & t < 0 \\ \sin t, & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$, where $x(t) \neq x(t + T)$

Bounded signal: $x(t)$ does not $\rightarrow \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

Unbounded signal: $x(t) \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

1.1.1 Basic signals

- a. Unit impulse function $\delta(t)$

$$\delta(t) = \begin{cases} \infty, & t = 0 \\ 0, & t \neq 0 \end{cases} \quad \int_{0^-}^{0^+} \delta(t) dt = 1$$

- b. Unit step function $u(t)$

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

- c. Rectangular function $\text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{T}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{T}\right) &= \begin{cases} 1, & -\frac{T}{2} < t < \frac{T}{2} \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases} \\ &= u\left(t + \frac{T}{2}\right) - u\left(t - \frac{T}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

- d. Exponential growth/decay function

$$x(t) = Ce^{at}$$

- Exponential growth: $C > 0$
- Exponential decay: $C < 0$

1.2 System Properties

1. Causal: output depends on input at present, past
2. Linearity: has property of superposition
3. Time Invariance: time shift in output = time shift in input

1.3 Complex exponential sinusoidal signals

- $\sin(\omega t) = \frac{1}{2j} (e^{j\omega t} - e^{-j\omega t})$
- $\cos(\omega t) = \frac{1}{2} (e^{j\omega t} + e^{-j\omega t})$
- $e^{\pm j\theta} = \cos \theta \pm j \sin \theta$

1.4 Zeros and Poles

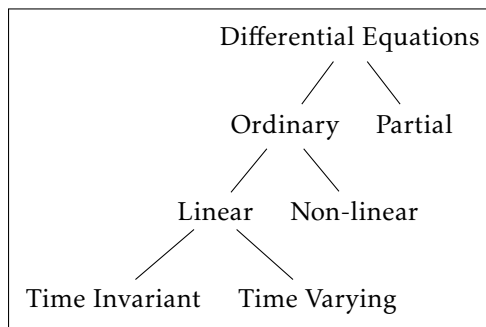
- General form of $G(s)$:

$$G(s) = \frac{K(s + z_1)(s + z_2) \cdots (s + z_m)}{(s + p_1)(s + p_2) \cdots (s + p_n)} = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)},$$

where $N(s)$ is a polynomial of degree m and $D(s)$ is a polynomial of degree n , and $m < n$.

- Zeros (\circ): points where $N(s) = 0$ e.g. $s = -z_1, -z_2, \dots, -z_m$
- Poles/roots (\times): points where $D(s) = 0$ e.g. $s = -p_1, -p_2, \dots, -p_n$

1.5 Differential equations



1.5.1 Ordinary Differential Equations (ODEs)

- General form:

$$g\left(\frac{d^n x}{dt^n}, \frac{d^{n-1} x}{dt^{n-1}}, \dots, x, t\right) = f(t)$$

- where x is the dependent variable;
- t is the independent variable.
- Linear ODE: output and its derivatives are pure functions of input, and are to power 1
- Non-linear ODE: output and its derivatives are not pure functions of input
- Time Invariant ODE: coefficients are independent of t
- Time Varying ODE: coefficients are functions of t

1.6 Laplace Transform (LT)

If $f(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$:

$$F(s) = \mathcal{L}[f(t)] = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt, \quad t \geq 0$$

- where $s = \sigma + j\omega$
- \int_0^{∞} is an improper integral, thus Laplace Transform may not exist
 - Laplace Transform exists within Region of Convergence (ROC)

1.7 Initial Value Theorem

If $f(t)$ and $\frac{df(t)}{dt}$ are both Laplace Transformable and $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sF(s)$ exists,

$$f(0^+) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sF(s)$$

1.8 Final Value Theorem

If $f(t)$ and $\frac{df(t)}{dt}$ are Laplace Transformable and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t)$ exists, and $sF(s)$ has all its poles with **strictly negative real part**,

$$f(\infty) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sF(s)$$

1.9 Inverse Laplace Transform (ILT)

1. Express $F(s)$ as a proper rational fraction: $F(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}$, where degree of $N(s) < D(s)$
2. Check roots of $D(s)$:

Ⓐ Roots are Real and Distinct

$$F(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = \frac{a}{s+p_1} + \frac{a}{s+p_2} + \cdots + \frac{a}{s+p_n},$$

where $a_i = (s+p_i)F(s)|_{s=-p_i}$

Ⓑ Roots are Real and Repetitive

$$F(s) = \frac{b_1}{s+p} + \frac{b_2}{(s+p)^2} + \cdots + \frac{b_n}{(s+p)^n}$$

where $b_i = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \left[\frac{d^{n-i}}{ds^{n-i}} (s+p)^n F(s) \right] \Big|_{s=-p}$

Ⓒ Roots are Complex Conjugates

$$F(s) = \frac{N(s)}{s^2 + cs + d} = C_1 \frac{\omega}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2} + C_2 \frac{s+a}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$$

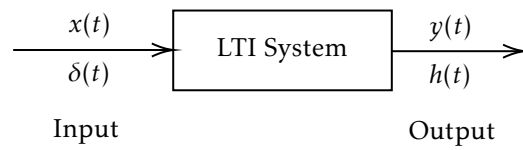
where poles, $s = -\frac{c}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{c^2 - 4d}}{2}$

Ⓓ Combination of Cases Ⓐ, Ⓑ, Ⓒ

- Rewrite numerator in terms of denominator to simplify

3. Use Laplace Transform table pairs to infer $f(t)$ from $F(s)$.

2 W2: Convolution



2.1 Properties of impulse function

1. $x(t)\delta(t - t_0) = x(t_0)\delta(t - t_0)$
2. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)\delta(t - t_0) dt = x(t_0)$

2.2 Convolution integral

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau) d\tau \iff \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t - \tau)h(\tau) d\tau$$

- It can be written as $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$

2.3 Graphical Method

1. Flip: $h(\tau) \rightarrow h(-\tau)$
2. Shift by t : $h(-\tau) \rightarrow h(t - \tau)$
3. Multiply by x : $x(\tau)h(t - \tau)$
4. Integrate over τ : $y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau) d\tau$

2.4 Properties of Convolution

- Commutative: $x(t) * h(t) = h(t) * x(t)$
- Associative: $[x(t) * h_1(t)] * h_2(t) = x(t) * [h_1(t) * h_2(t)]$
- Distributive: $x(t) * h_1(t) + x(t) * h_2(t) = x(t) * [h_1(t) + h_2(t)]$

3 W3: Fourier Analysis

3.1 Fourier Series

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}, \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}$$

Synthesis: $x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$

Analysis: $a_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{T_0} x(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt$

3.2 Convergence Conditions (Dirichlet Conditions)

1. Signal is integral over any period. $\int_{T_0} |x(t)| < \infty$
2. Signal must be bounded. $x(t)$ cannot be $\pm \infty$.
3. Finite number of discontinuities in interval T .

3.3 Forms of Fourier Series

1. $x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$
2. $x(t) = a_0 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k \cos(k\omega_0 t + \theta_k)$
3. $x(t) = a_0 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [B_k \cos k\omega_0 t - C_k \sin k\omega_0 t]$

3.4 Fourier Representation of Aperiodic Signals

- $\tilde{x}(t)$ is T_0 periodic, which is made by repeating the aperiodic signal $x(t)$
- $\tilde{x}(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}, \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}$
- As $T_0 \rightarrow \infty, \omega_0 \rightarrow 0$
- Converges to Fourier Transform

3.5 Power of a signal

- Sum of squares of all the Fourier coefficients

$$\text{Power} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_k|^2$$

3.6 Fourier Transform Pairs

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Fourier Transform} \quad X(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ \text{Inverse Fourier Transform} \quad x(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega)e^{j\omega t} d\omega\end{aligned}$$

3.7 Periodic x(t)

- Fourier Transform of x(t) is an impulse train

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi a_k \delta(\omega - k\omega_0)$$

3.8 Fourier Transform vs Laplace Transform

$$\text{Fourier Transform: } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt \quad \text{Laplace Transform: } \int_0^{\infty} x(t)e^{-st} dt$$

- Limits of Integration: $-\infty$ to ∞ (FT), 0 to ∞ (LT)
- Location of complex variable: $j\omega$ lies on the imaginary axis (FT), s can be any complex number in the region of convergence (LT)
- Existence of FT and LT: If the imaginary axis is not in region of convergence of LT, FT does not exist while LT exists.
- Equivalence of FT and LT: If $x(t) = 0, t < 0$ and imaginary axis is in region of convergence of LT, FT is LT evaluated on the imaginary axis.
- Non-equivalence of FT and LT: If $x(t) \neq 0$ for $t < 0$, then FT \neq LT.

4 W4: Modelling Physical Systems

4.1 Translational Mechanical Systems

	Mass	Spring	Damper
Force	$f = m\ddot{x}$	$f_k = k(x_2 - x_1)$	$f_b = b(\dot{x}_2 - \dot{x}_1)$
Conservative energies	KE = $\frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2$ PE = mgh	PE = $\frac{1}{2}kx^2$	NOT CONSERVATIVE
Other laws	Power $P = f\dot{x}$	N2L: $\sum f = ma = m\ddot{x}$	N3L

4.2 Rotational Mechanical Systems

	Mass	Spring	Damper
Torque	$\tau = J\ddot{\theta}$	$\tau_k = k(\theta_2 - \theta_1)$	$\tau_b = b(\dot{\theta}_2 - \dot{\theta}_1)$
Conservative energies	KE = $\frac{1}{2}J\dot{\theta}^2$	PE = $\frac{1}{2}k\theta^2$	NOT CONSERVATIVE
Other laws	Power $P = \tau\dot{\theta}$	N2L: $\sum \tau = J\alpha = J\ddot{\theta}$	N3L

4.3 Energy Method for Mechanical Systems

- Conservative systems only
- Do not dissipate energy due to friction

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\text{KE} + \text{PE}) = 0$$

4.4 Electrical Systems

	Inductor	Capacitor	Resistor
Current or Voltage	$V_a - V_b = L \frac{di_L}{dt}$	$i_C = C \frac{d}{dt}(V_a - V_b)$	$V_a - V_b = i_R R$
Conservative energies	$E_L = \frac{1}{2}Li^2 = \frac{1}{2}L\dot{q}^2$	$E_C = \frac{1}{2}CV_{ab}^2 = \frac{q^2}{2C}$	NOT CONSERVATIVE
Other laws	Power $P = VI$	KVL, KCL	Ohm's Law

4.5 Energy Method for Electrical Systems

- Conservative systems only
- Do not dissipate energy due to heat loss (no resistors)

$$\frac{d}{dt}(E_L + E_C) = 0$$

4.6 Complex Impedance Method for Electrical Systems

- Ohm's Law: $E(s) = Z(s)I(s)$
- Impedances in series: $Z = Z_1 + Z_2 + Z_3 + \dots$
- Impedances in parallel: $Z = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{Z_1} + \frac{1}{Z_2} + \frac{1}{Z_3} + \dots}$

4.7 Op-Amps

$$\text{Ideal Op-Amp: } e_o = K(e_2 - e_1)$$

- Differential gain of real op-amps: $K \approx 10^5$ to 10^6
- Infinite input impedance
- Zero output impedance
- Voltage at e_1 = Voltage at e_2
- Current at each input lead is zero

4.7.1 Examples of Op-Amps

- a. Inverting amplifier

$$G(s) = \frac{E_o(s)}{E_i(s)} = -\frac{Z_f}{Z_i}$$

- b. Non-inverting amplifier

$$G(s) = \frac{E_o(s)}{E_i(s)} = \frac{Z_1 + Z_2}{Z_1}$$

- c. Summing amplifier

$$G(s) = \frac{E_o(s)}{E_i(s)} = -\left(\frac{Z_4}{Z_1}E_1(s) + \frac{Z_4}{Z_2}E_2(s) + \frac{Z_4}{Z_3}E_3(s)\right)$$

4.8 Analogous Systems

- Physically different systems but sharing the same differential equations and transfer functions
- More than 1 mechanical-electrical system analogy
 - Spring-Mass \leftrightarrow Series-RLC: Force-Voltage Analogy
 - Spring-Mass \leftrightarrow Parallel-RLC: Mass-Capacitance Analogy

4.9 Transfer Function (TF)

$$G(s) = \left. \frac{\mathcal{L}(\text{output})}{\mathcal{L}(\text{input})} \right|_{\text{zero initial conditions}}$$

- Order of system = highest power of s in denominator

4.10 Impulse-Response Function

- $g(t)$: unit impulse-response function of system

$$G(s) = \mathcal{L}(g(t))$$

4.11 Characteristic Equation (CE)

Denominator of TF = 0

- Polynomial order \leftrightarrow degree/order of system
- Solutions to CE are poles of system

5 W5: First Order Systems

5.1 LTI System Response

- Find system response
 - Input $\xleftrightarrow{\text{TF}}$ output
- Methods: time domain, frequency domain
- Standard input signals:
 - Unit impulse
 - Unit step
 - Unit ramp
 - Sine wave

5.2 Parts of System Response

- Transient Response: Immediate response after application of input response
- Steady-state Response: Long-time response after application of input response

5.3 Mathematical Model of First Order Systems

$$\text{DE: } T \frac{dy}{dx} + y = Ax$$

$$\text{TF: } \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{A}{Ts + 1}$$

- Time constant/characteristic time: T
- DC gain: A

5.4 Unit Step Response

- Input: $x(t) = u(t) \Rightarrow X(s) = \frac{1}{s}$
 - Output: $Y(s) = \frac{A}{s(Ts+1)} = A \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s + \frac{1}{T}} \right)$
By ILT: $y(t) = A \left[1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}} \right], t \geq 0$
1. Time constant: $y(T) \approx 0.63A$
 2. Initial speed = $\left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = \frac{A}{T}$
 3. 2% settling speed: When $y(t_{ss}) = 0.98A$, $t_{ss} = 4T$.
 4. Steady state error, $e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [u(t) - y(t)] = 1 - A$

5.5 Unit Impulse Response

- Input: $x(t) = \delta(t) \Rightarrow X(s) = 1$
 - Output: $Y(s) = \frac{A}{Ts+1} = \frac{A}{T} \left(\frac{1}{s + \frac{1}{T}} \right)$
By ILT: $y(t) = \frac{A}{T} e^{-\frac{t}{T}}, t \geq 0$
1. Time constant: $y(t) \approx 0.37A$
 2. Initial speed = $\left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = -A$
 3. Steady state error, $e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [\delta(t) - y(t)] = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{A}{T} e^{-\frac{t}{T}} \right] = 0$

5.6 Unit Ramp Response

- Input: $x(t) = t \Rightarrow X(s) = \frac{1}{s^2}$
 - Output: $Y(s) = \frac{A}{s^2(Ts+1)} = \frac{A}{s^2} - \frac{AT}{s} + \frac{AT^2}{Ts+1}$
By ILT: $y(t) = At - AT + ATe^{-\frac{t}{T}}, t \geq 0$
1. Initial speed = $\left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = A - Ae^{-\frac{t}{T}}$
 2. Steady state error, $e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [r(t) - y(t)] = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[t - AT \left(\frac{t}{T} - 1 + e^{-\frac{t}{T}} \right) \right] = AT + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [t(1-A)]$

5.7 Responses of First Order Systems

- Unit ramp function, $r(t)$: $y_r(t) = AT\left(\frac{t}{T} - 1 + e^{-\frac{t}{T}}\right)$, $t \geq 0$
- Unit step function, $u(t)$: $y_u(t) = A(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}})$, $t \geq 0$
- Unit impulse function, $\delta(t)$: $y_\delta(t) = \frac{A}{T}e^{-\frac{t}{T}}$, $t \geq 0$
- Properties:
 - $\frac{d}{dt}y_r(t) = y_u(t)$
 - $\frac{d}{dt}y_u(t) = y_\delta(t)$
 - Applies to higher order systems as well