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- The textbook:

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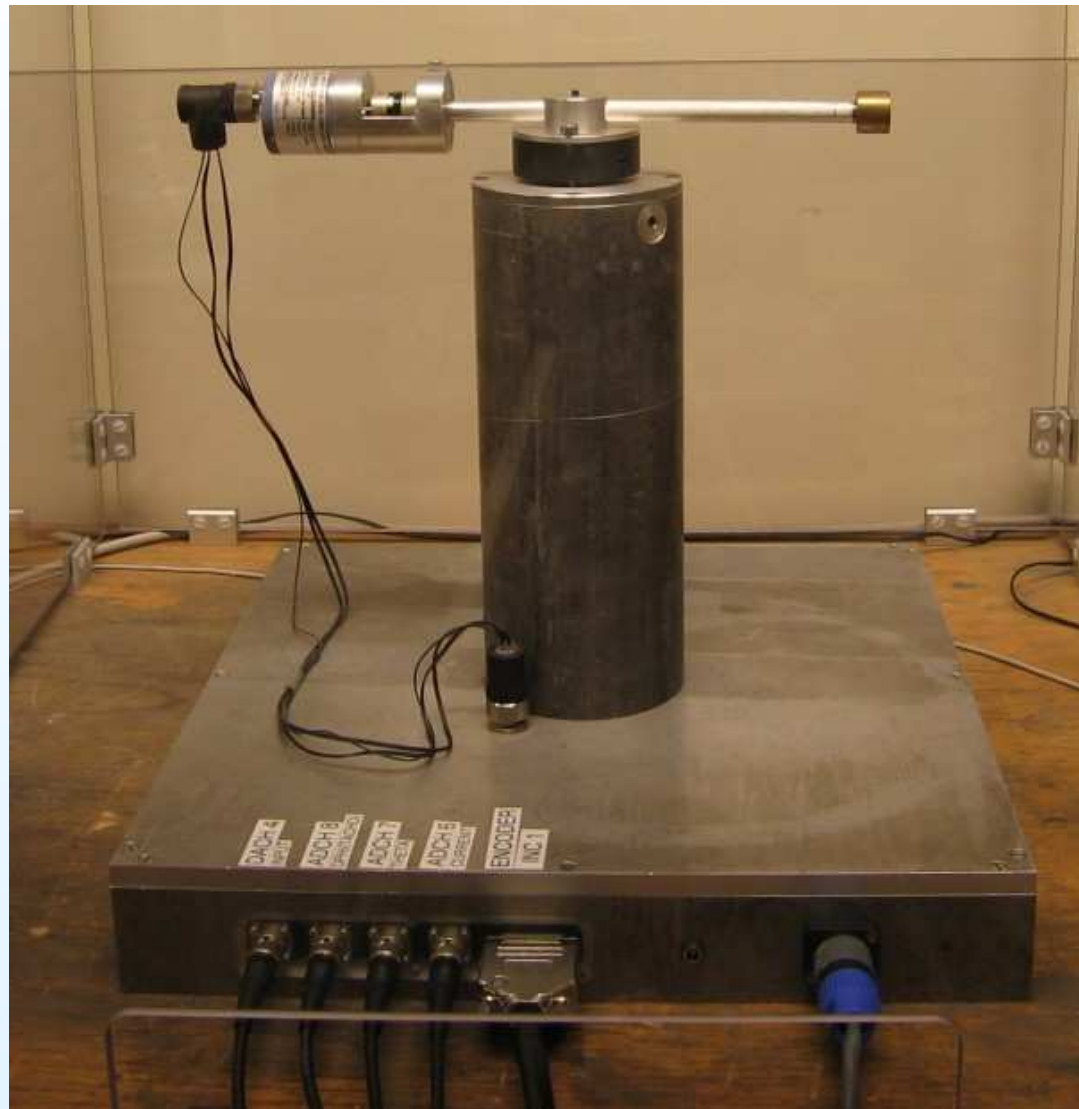
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removes strong nonlinearity, making the dynamics close to linear

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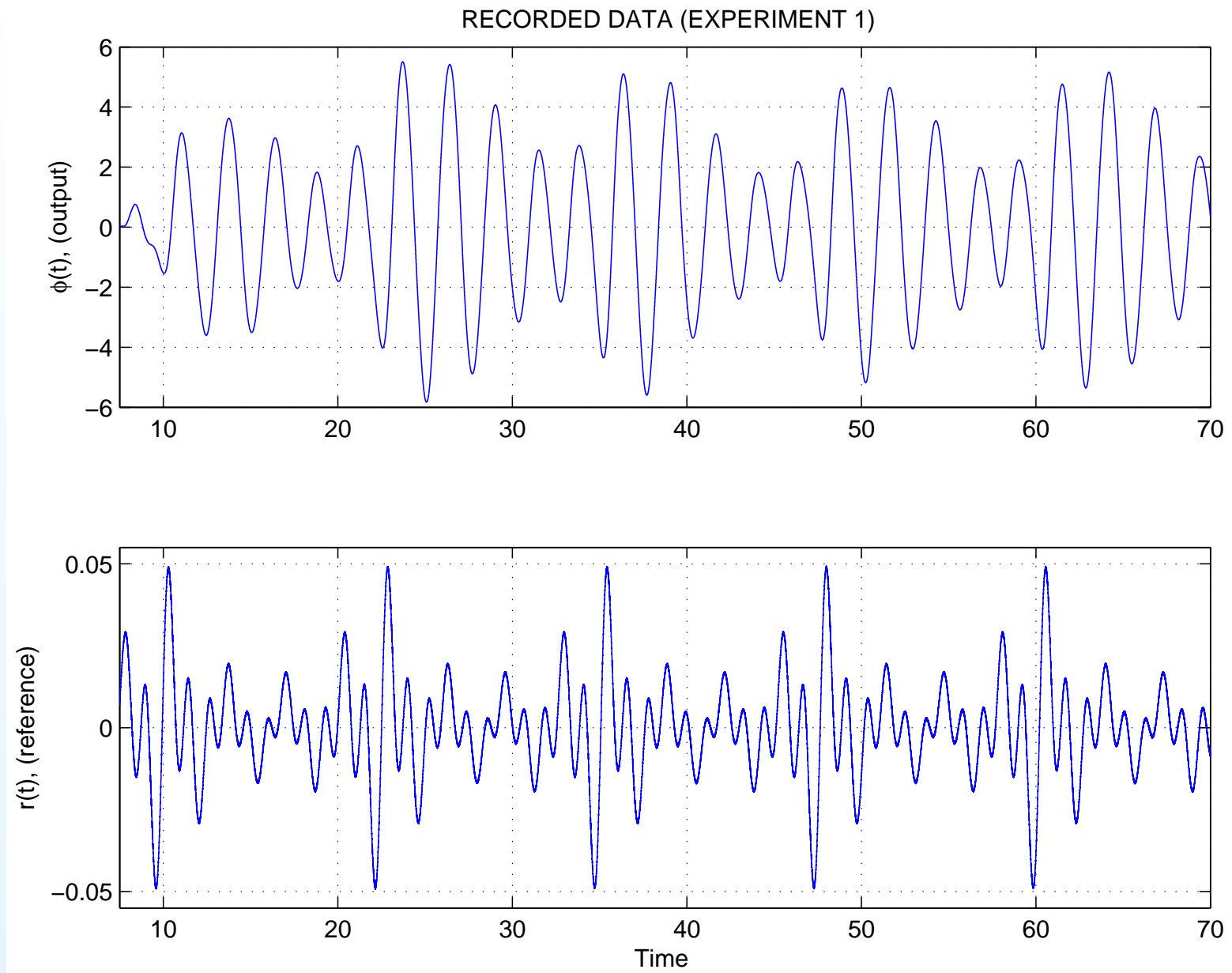
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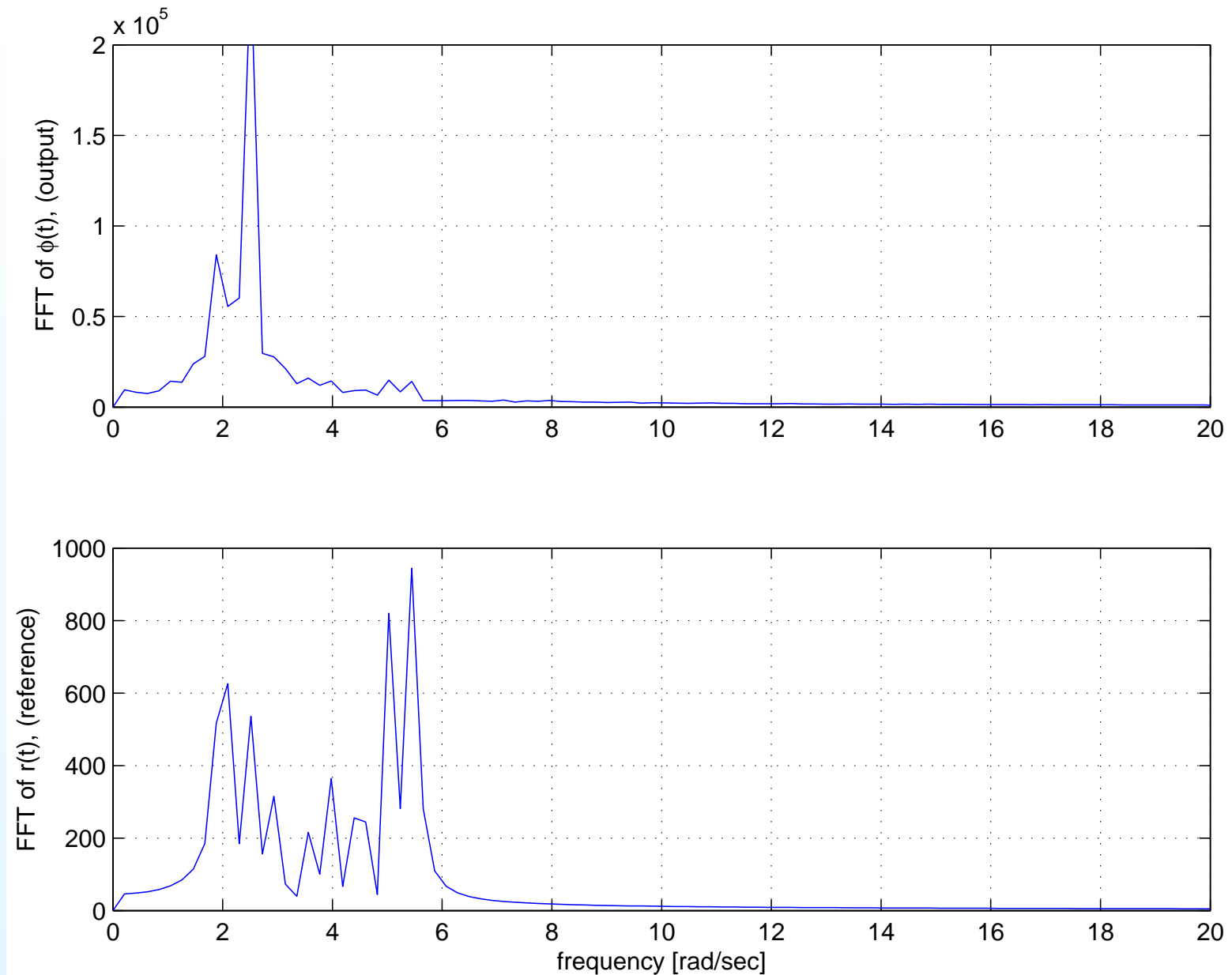
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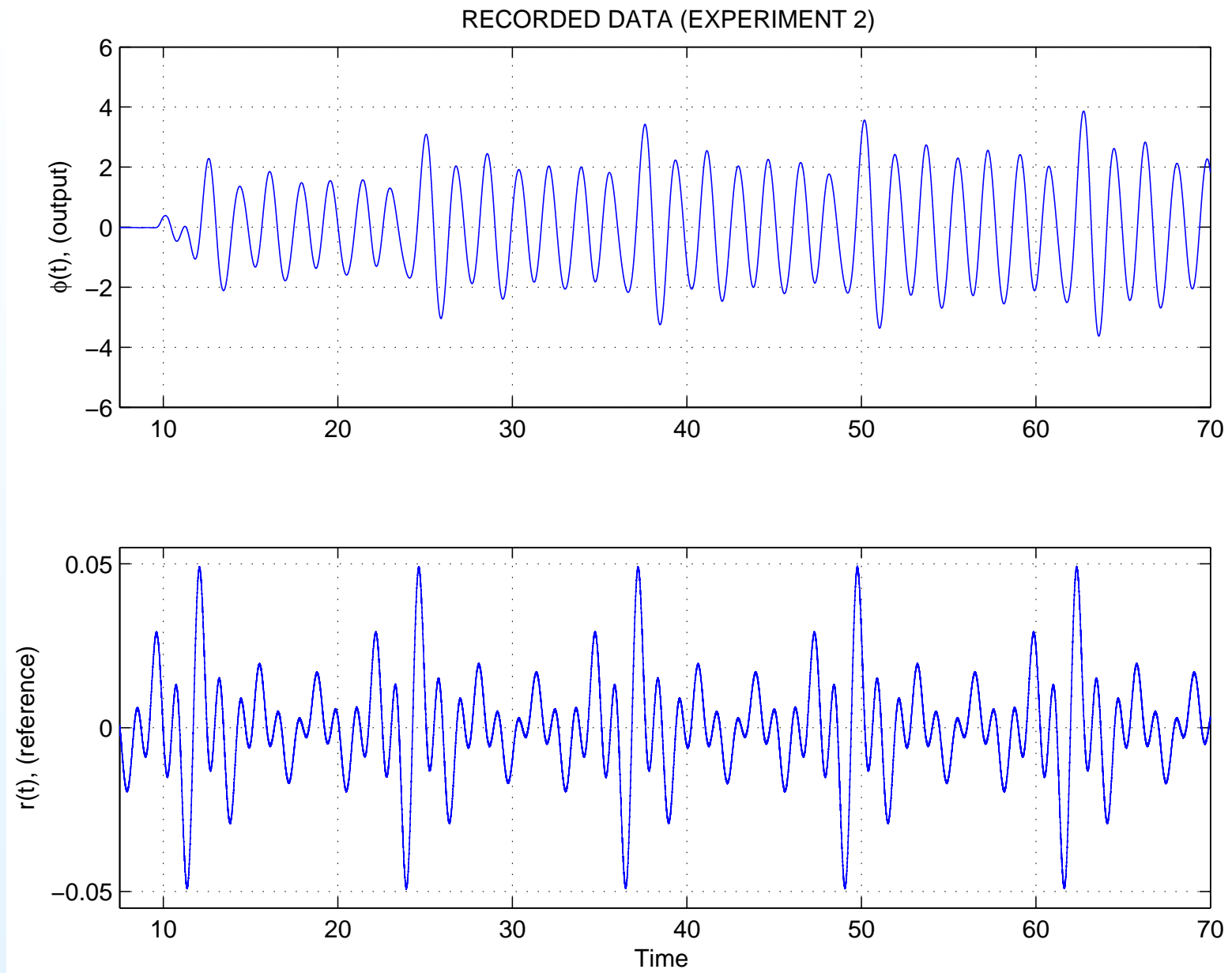
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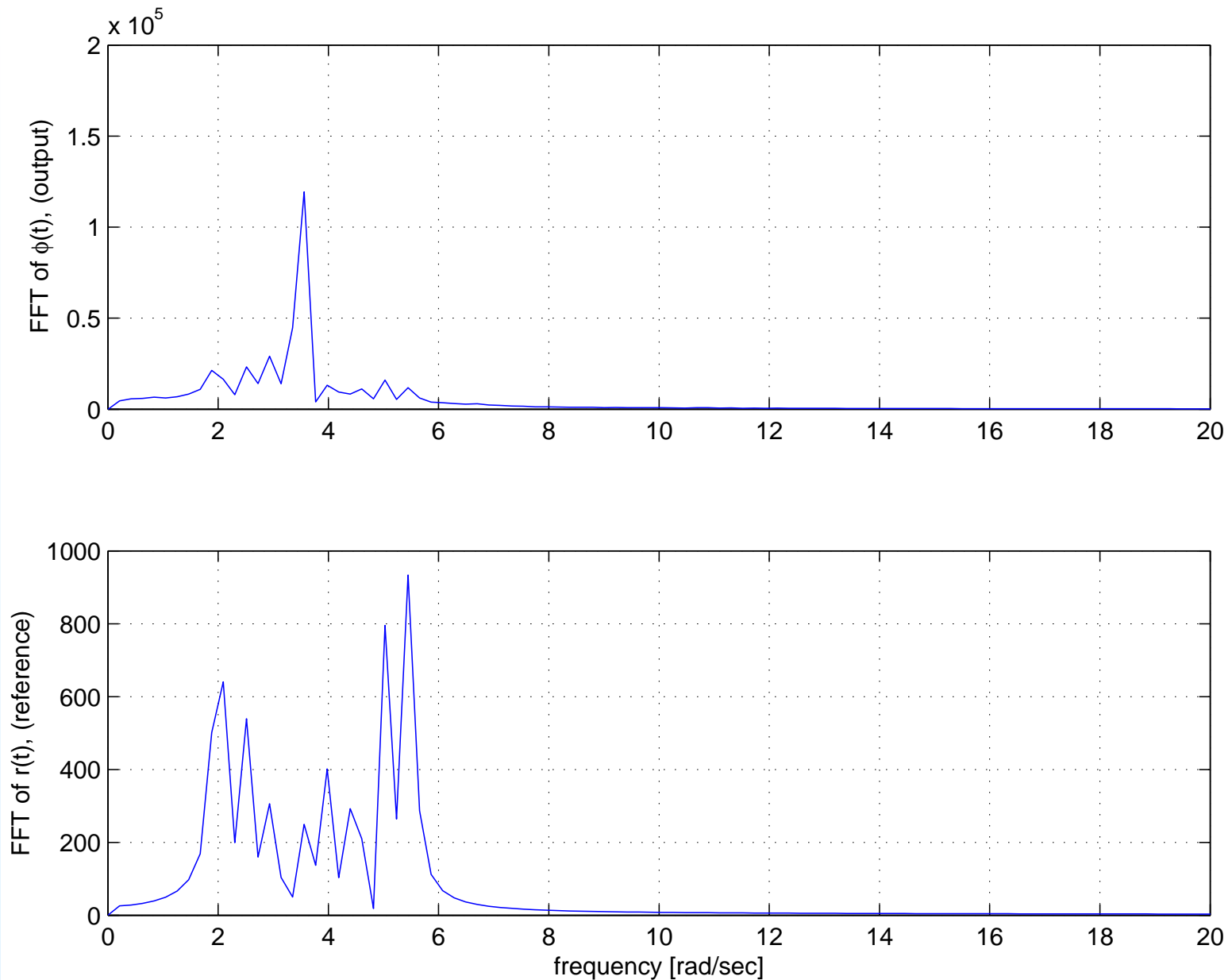
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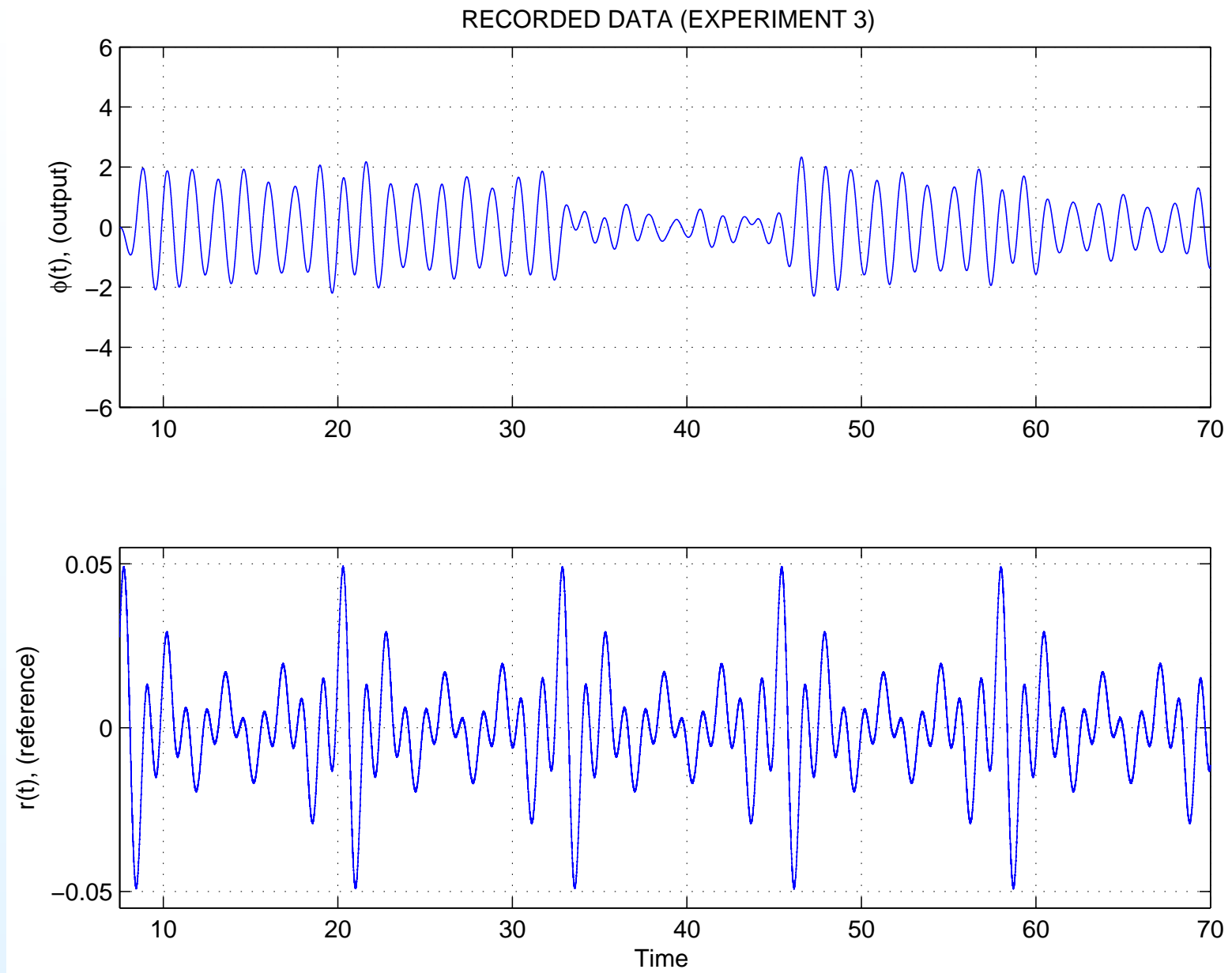
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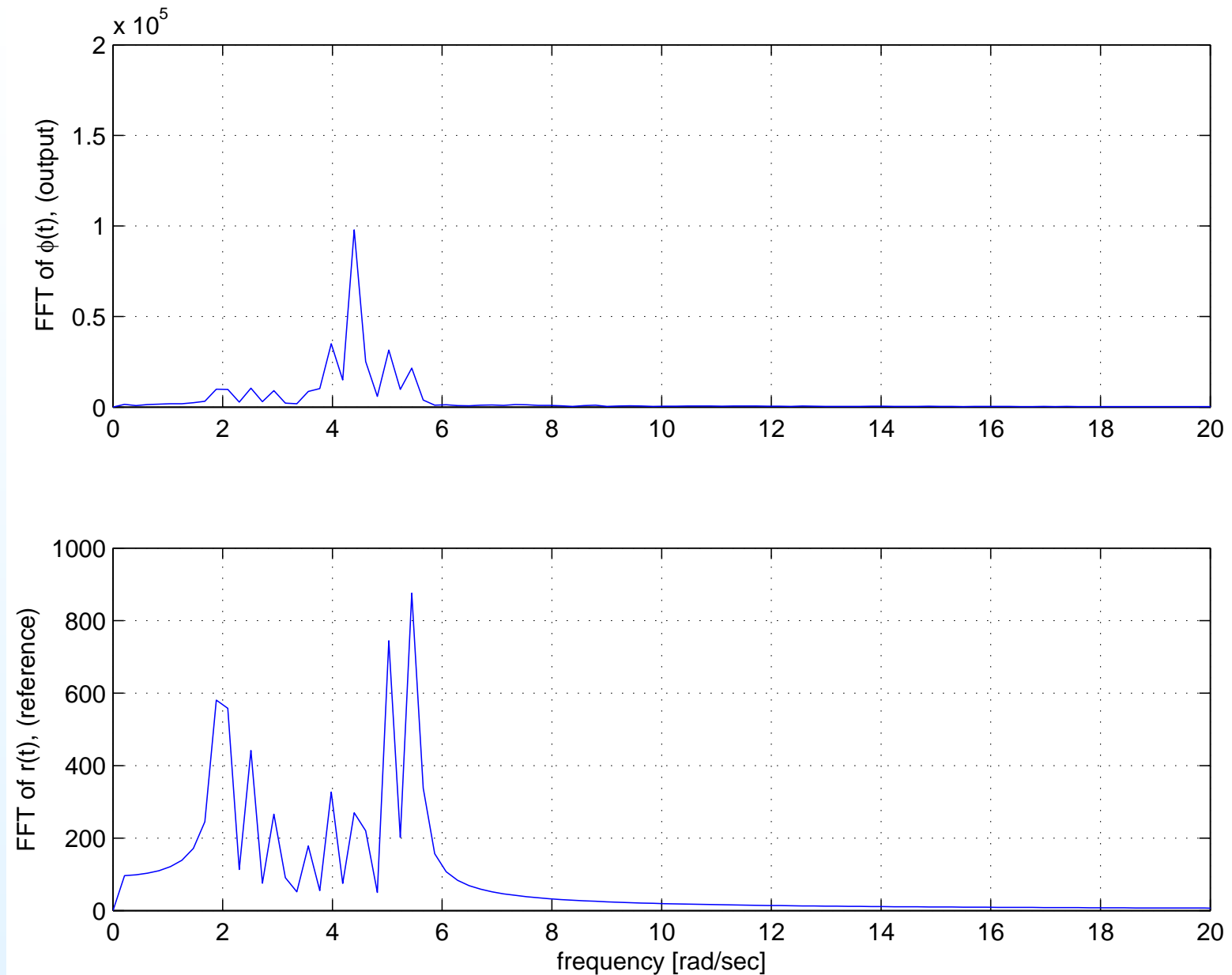
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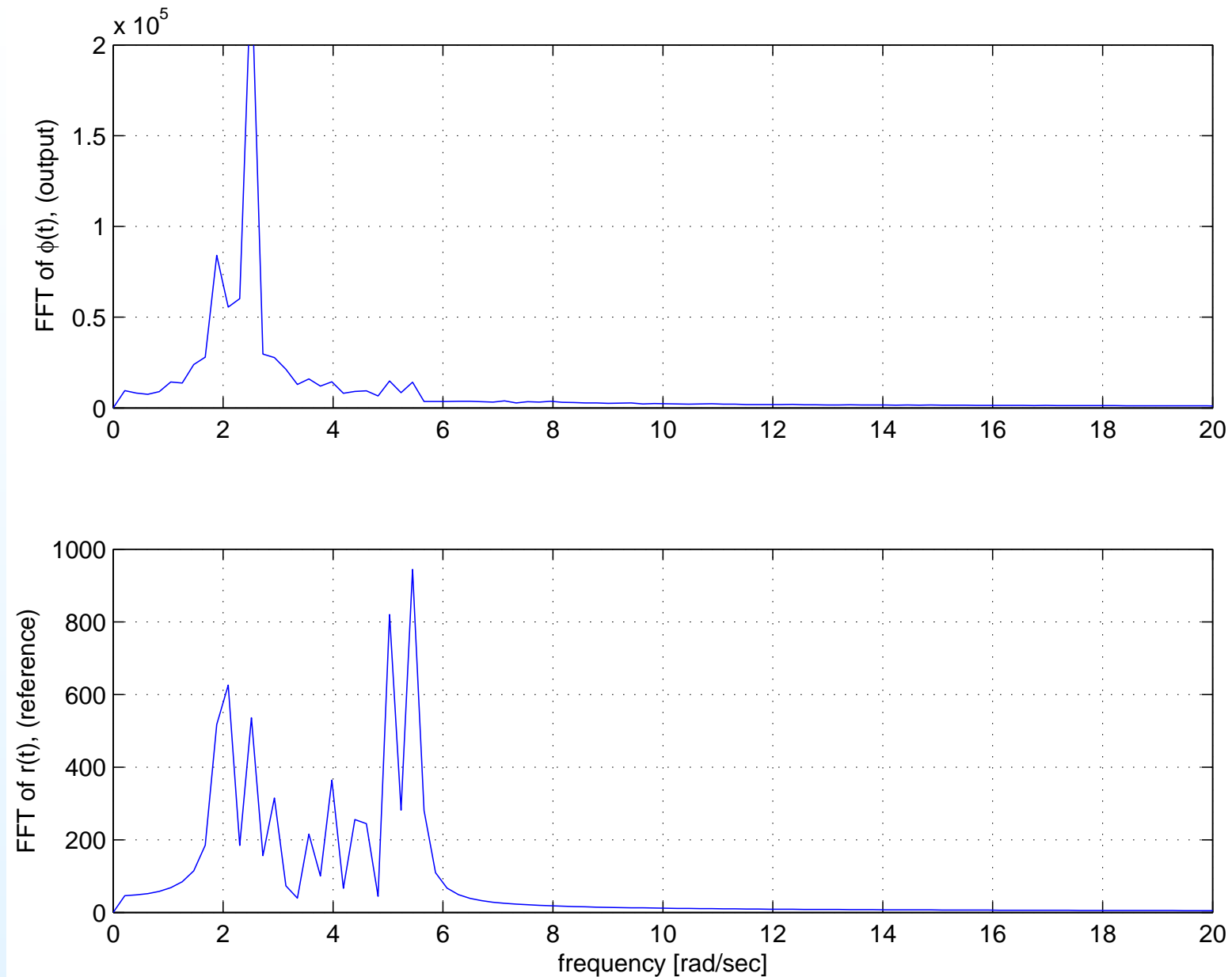
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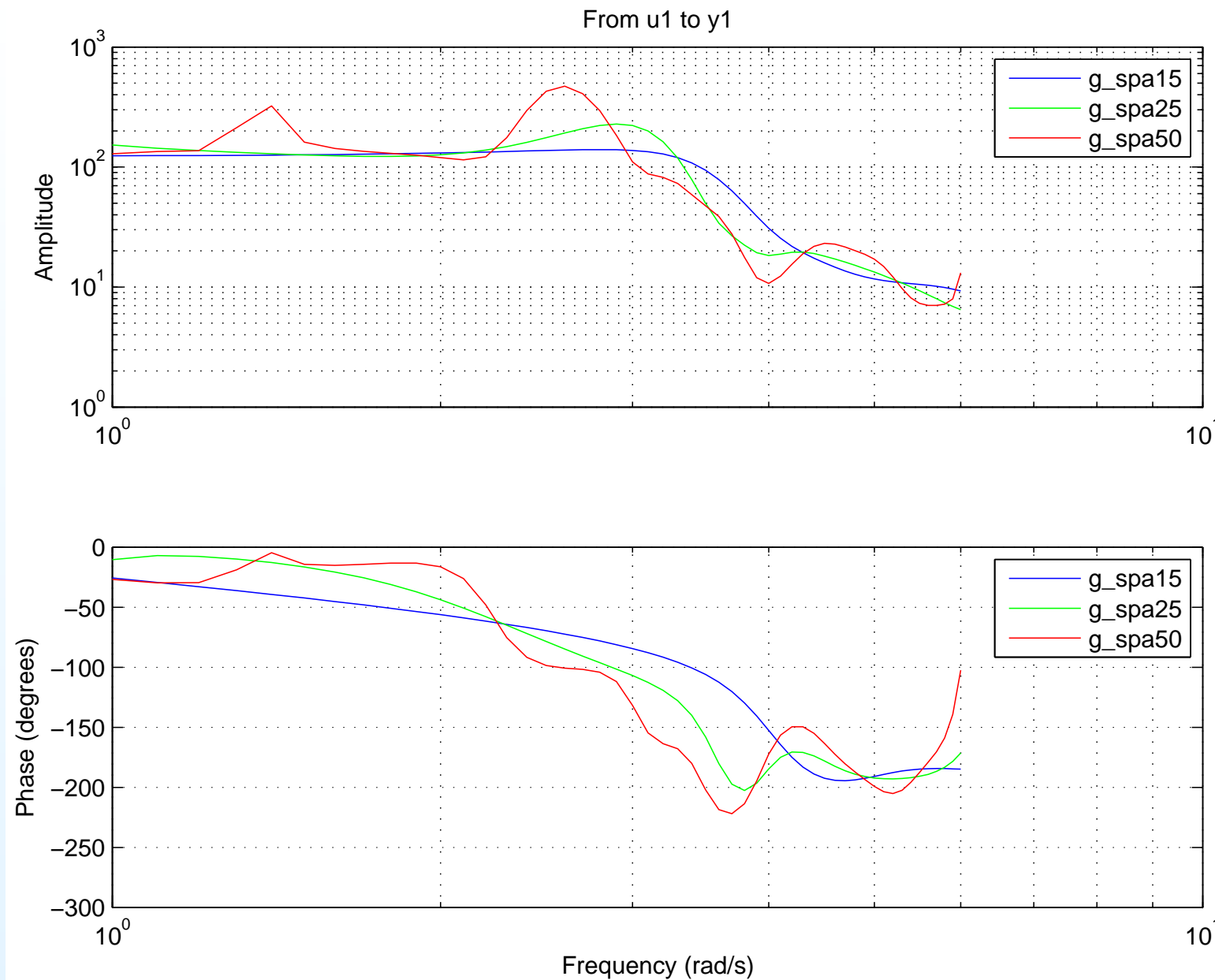
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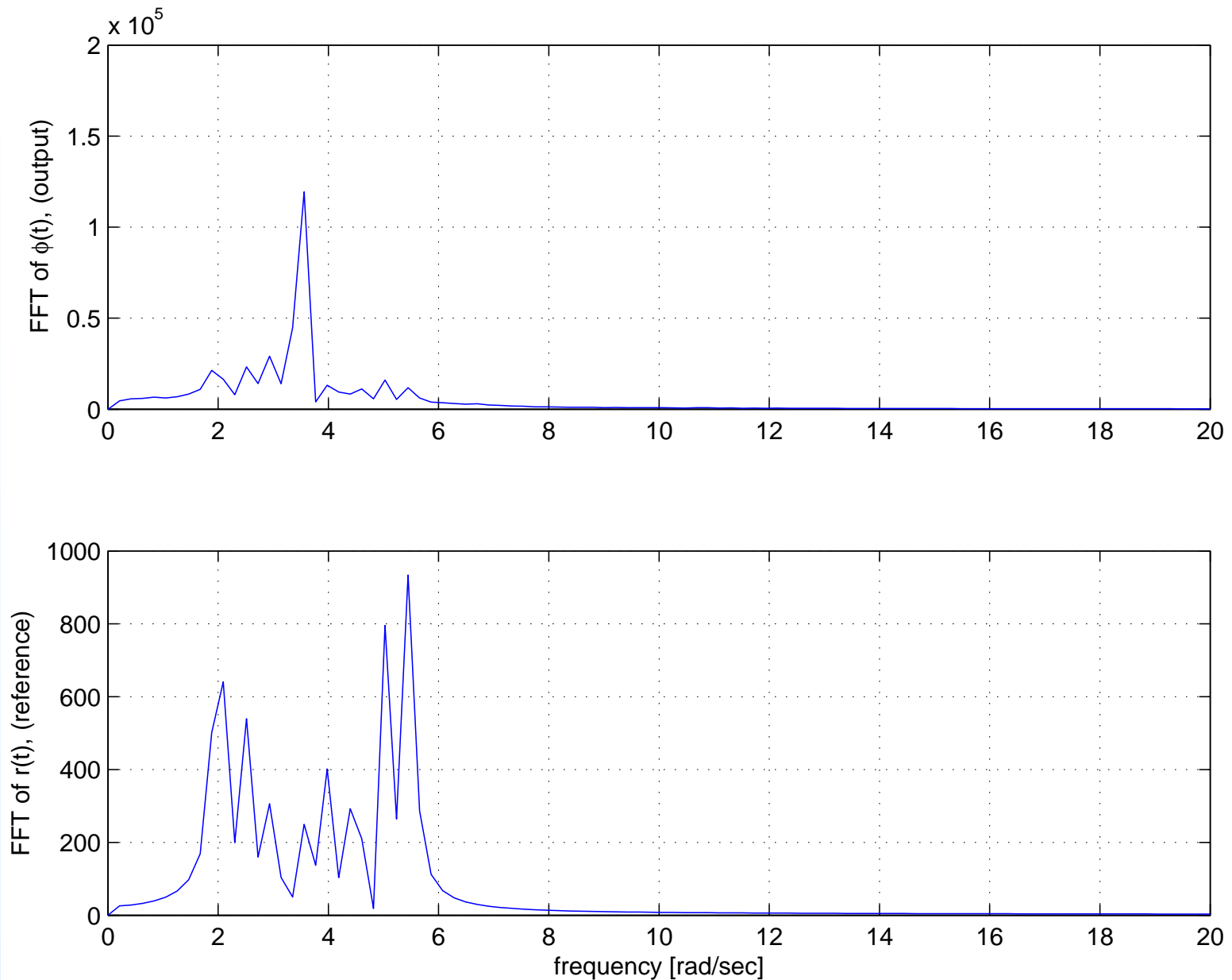
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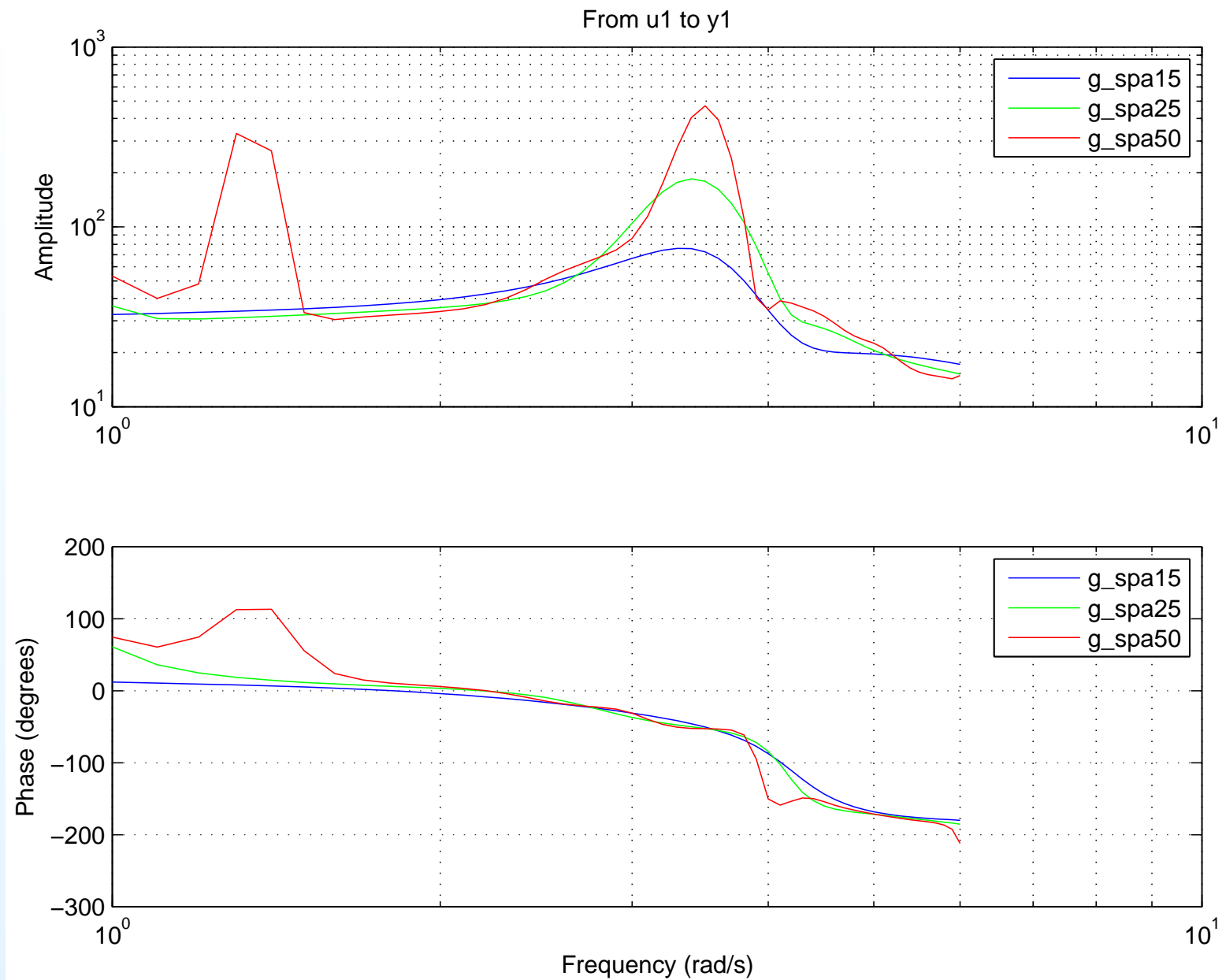
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An appropriate **projection ensuring stability** for an estimated system should be implemented in such a case.

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- Denote it by J_a , then the same procedure will result in estimation of

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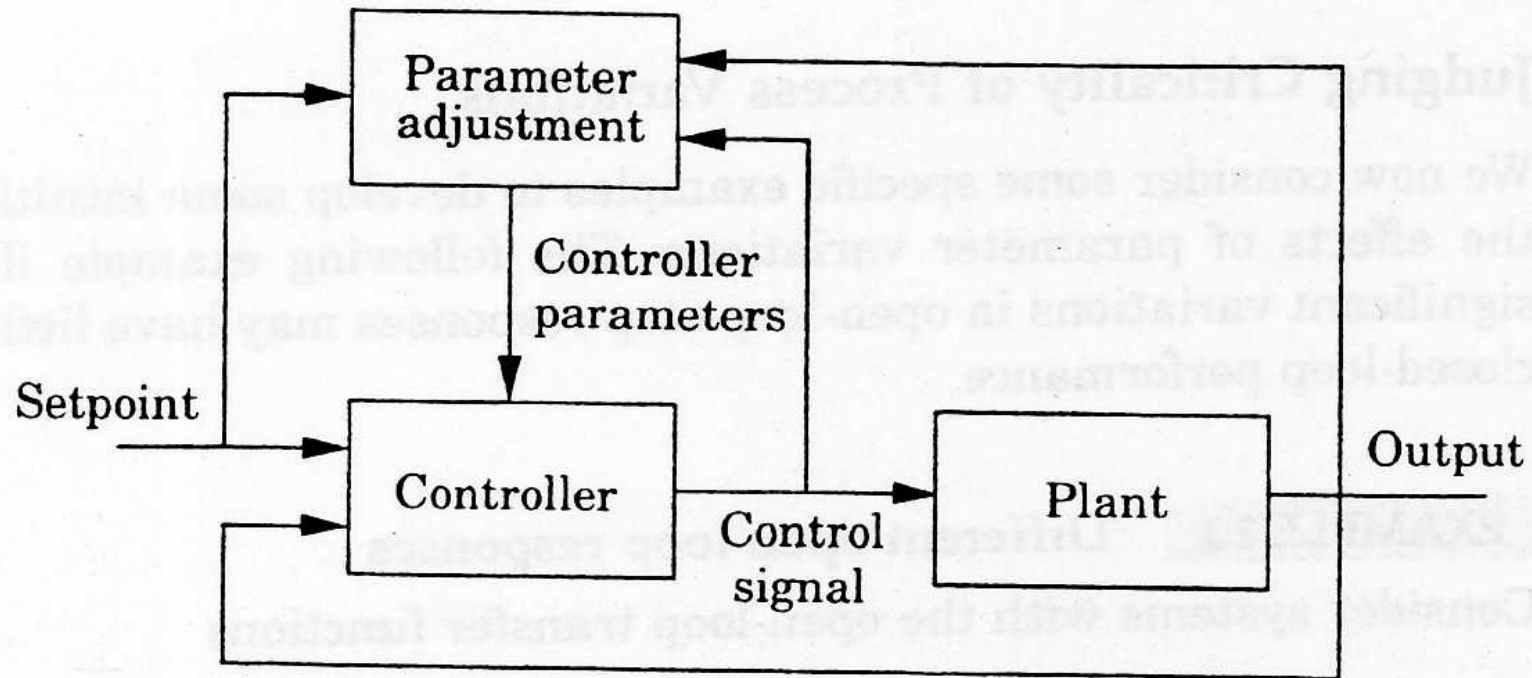


Figure 1.1 Block diagram of an adaptive system.

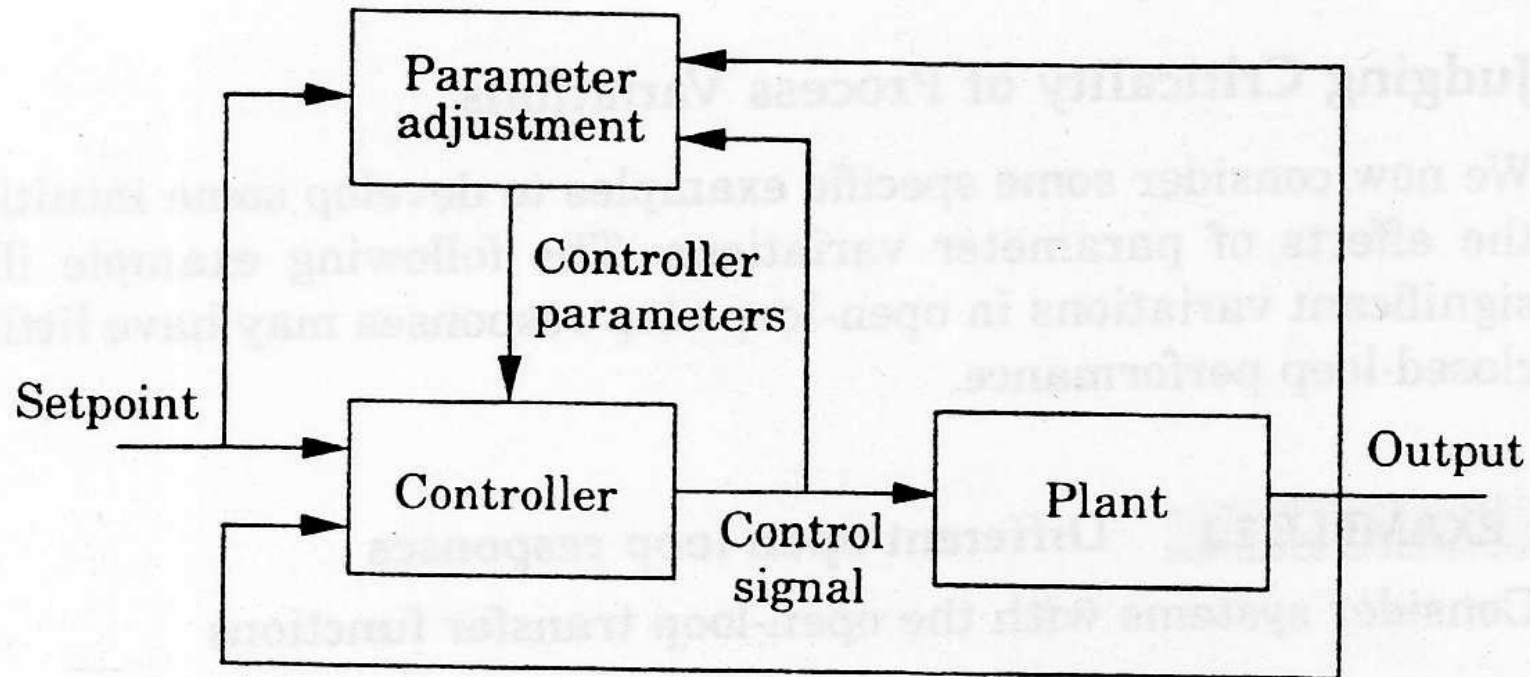


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Adaptive control has two components:

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Note: a parametric model is needed and a knowledge on how to design a controller for each possible set of parameters.

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