

Mechatronic Modeling and Design with Applications in Robotics

Course Outline and Introduction

Course Website:

<https://faculty.ontariotechu.ca/lang/modeling.html>

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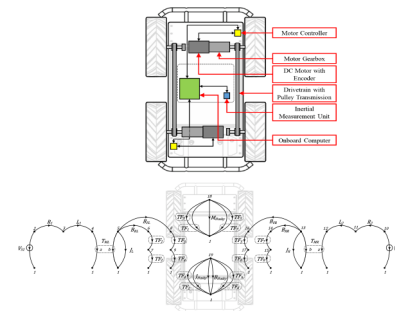
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Course Description

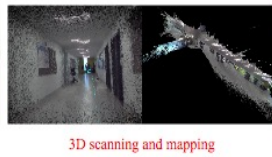
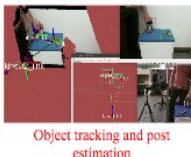
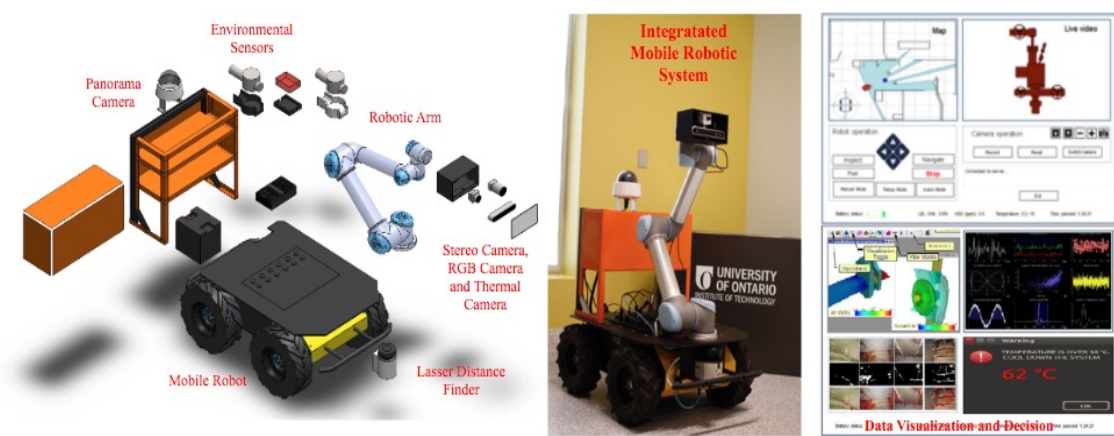
This course will introduce a unified multi-domain modeling tool, named Linear Graph and its applications. It provides students with the tools required to design, model, analyze and control mechatronic systems; i.e. smart systems comprising electronic, mechanical, fluid and thermal components. The techniques for modelling various system components will be studied in a unified approach developing tools for the simulation of the performance of these systems. A comprehensive example of the modeling and design of a mobile robotic system will be included and discussed.

Students who successfully complete the course should have reliably demonstrated the ability to:

- Use the basic tools required to design, model, analyze and control mechatronic systems
- Work with smart systems comprising electronic, mechanical, fluid and thermal components
- Model a wide variety of system components in a unified way
- Analyze various components needed to design and control mechatronic systems
- Apply AI and Machine Learning in advanced design and optimization



A snapshot of the course website



Technical Specifications

Degrees of Freedom: 6
Maximum Reach*: 0.74 m
Maximum Payload: 4.5 kg
Power Supply: 48VDC, 10A
Material: Carbon Fiber PLA
Weight: 8.5 kg
*No Additional Modules

Modes of Operation

- Joystick Control
- Predefined Positions
- Jog and Teach

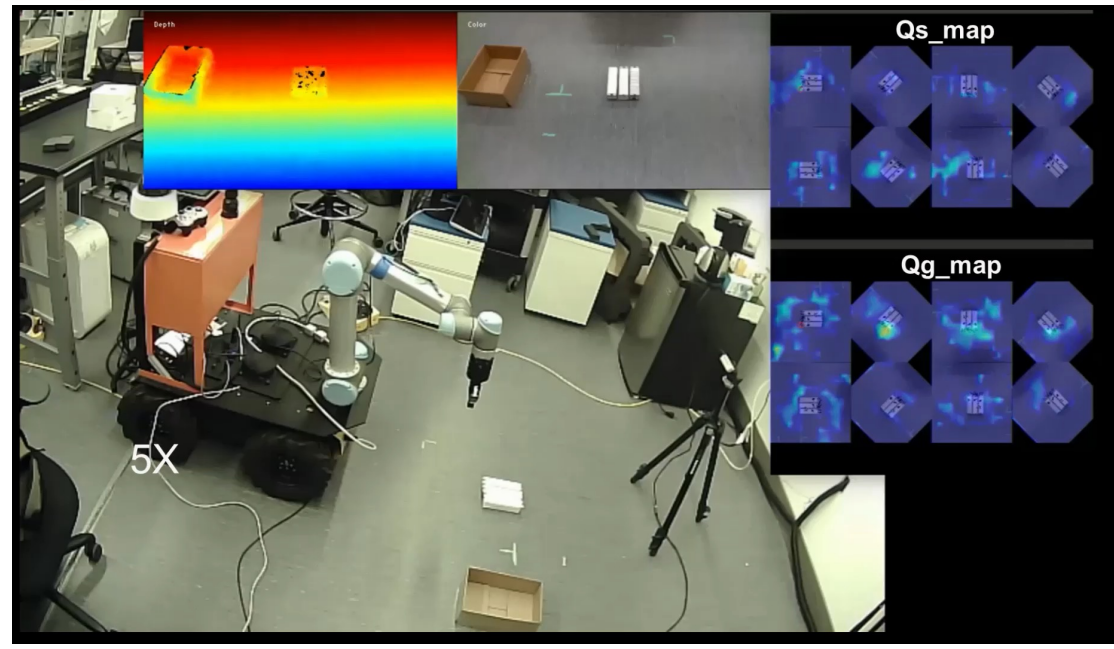
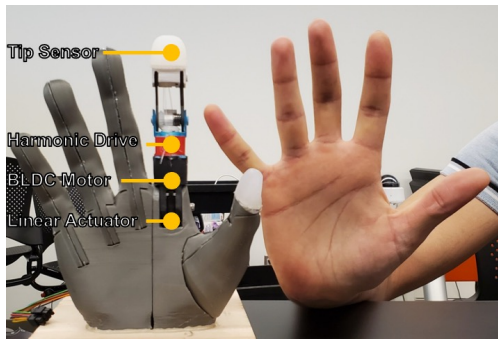
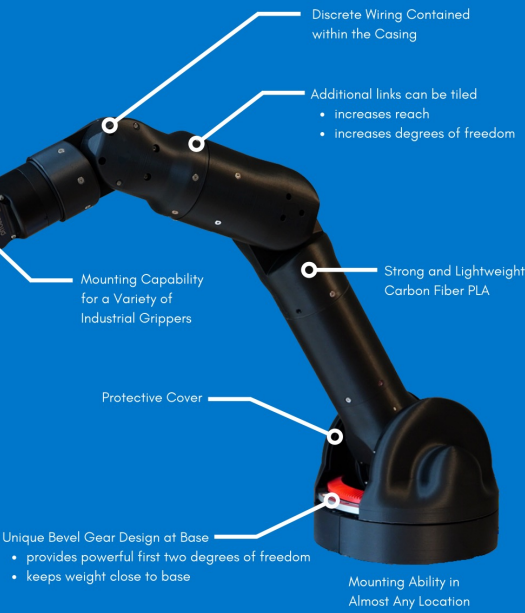
Mounting

- Bench
- Dual arm
- Mobile base

Applications

The robotic arm is able to perform a **variety of tasks** across many industries. It is able to work alongside humans and can act as an extra hand.

Examples of tasks include drilling, pick-and-place, and the manipulation of objects with humans.



- Course Overview and Introduction
- Introduction to Modeling
- Basic Model Elements
- Analytical Modeling
- Graphical Models
- Linear Graph
- Linear Graph Examples
- Frequency Domain Models
- Transfer-Function Linear Graph
- Examples in Applications

- Understand the formal meanings of a dynamic system of multi-physics systems (e.g., mechatronic systems).
- Recognize different types of models (e.g., physical, analytical, computer, experimental) and their importance, usage, comparative advantages and disadvantages.
- Under analytical models, recognize the general and specific pairs of model categories.
- Understand the concepts of through-variables and across-variables and their physical significance, and relationship to state variables.
- Recognize similarities or analogies among the four physical domains: mechanical, electrical, fluid, and thermal (this is the basis of the “unified” approach to modeling).
- In each physical domain, recognize the lumped elements that store energy and that dissipate energy, based on the analogy among different physical domains.
- Model a wide variety of system components in a unified way
- Apply AI and Machine Learning in system modeling and design optimization

Clarence W. de Silva, *Mechatronics: A Foundation Course*, CRC Press, 2010.

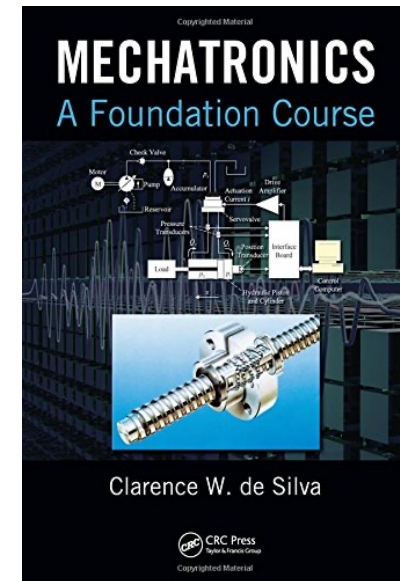
Haoxiang Lang, Eric McCormick and Clarence W. de Silva, Appendix B of *Modeling of Dynamic Systems with Engineering Applications*

Matlab Toolbox: GitHub Link

https://github.com/GRASP-ONTechU/Linear_Graph

Three Reference Articles: (downloadable on the course website)

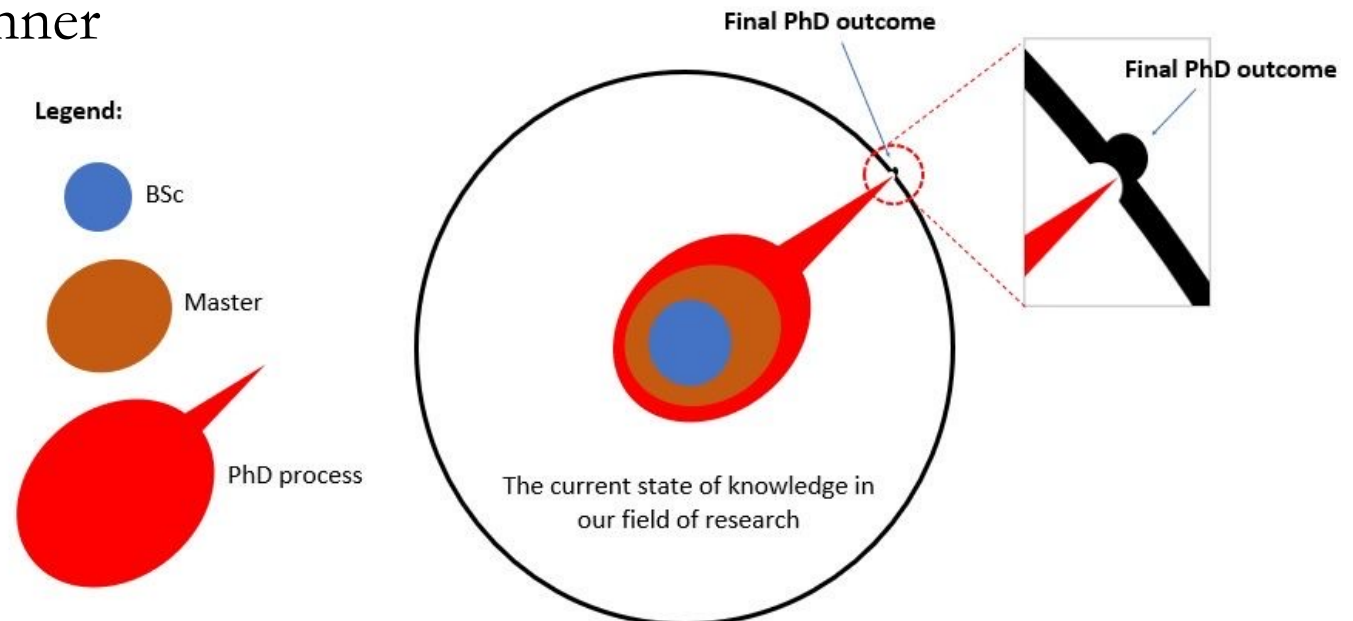
- Research and Development of a Linear Graph-based Matlab Toolbox.
- Automated Multi-domain Engineering Design through Linear Graphs and Genetic Programming.
- Dynamic Modeling and Simulation of a Four-wheel Skid-Steer Mobile Robot using Linear Graphs.



Goals:

- To understand basic modeling of dynamic systems and its procedure
- To formulate realistic modeling/design and possible control problems
- To do analysis and design for the problem using the course material
- To design and analyze of the multi-physics systems in Matlab, and implementation if possible

- Cutting-edge insight into system dynamics
- Foundation to develop expertise in design prototyping, control, instrumentation, experimentation and performance analysis
- Discussion of system dynamics
- Systematic, unified and integrated manner
- Introduce tools of modeling



A Course Final Report: Template is downloadable from the course website.

Note:

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Final Report: Mechatronic Modeling and Design with Applications in Robotics

Student Name (Student Number)

Abstract—These instructions give you guidelines for preparing final report for Mechatronic Modeling and Design with Applications in Robotics. Use this document as a template to complete the final report of the course.

I. INTRODUCTION

THIS document is a template for Microsoft Word versions 6.0 or later. And it is prepared as the template for the final reports of Mechatronic Modeling and Design with Applications in Robotics course.

Final report (maximum in 8 pages) should be a complete technical document including introduction, literature review, methodology, simulation and experimentation results, and conclusion. It should be considered as an engineering technical report which is planning to be published. DO NOT change the format of this document.

A. Figures and Tables

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Figure axis labels are often a source of confusion. Use words rather than symbols. As an example, write the quantity “Magnetization,” or “Magnetization M ,” not just “ M .” Put units in parentheses. Do not label axes only with units. As in Fig. 1, for example, write “Magnetization (A/m)” or “Magnetization ($A \cdot m^{-1}$),” not just “A/m.” Do not label axes with a ratio of quantities and units. For example, write “Temperature (K),” not “Temperature/K.”

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TABLE 1. UNITS FOR MAGNETIC PROPERTIES		
Symbol	Quantity	Conversion from Gaussian and CGS EMU to SI ¹
Φ	magnetic flux	1 Mx $\rightarrow 10^{-8}$ Wb = 10^{-8} V \cdot s
B	magnetic flux density, magnetic induction	1 G $\rightarrow 10^{-4}$ T = 10^{-4} Wb/m ²
H	magnetic field strength	1 Oe $\rightarrow 10^3/(4\pi)$ A/m
m	magnetic moment	1 erg/G = 1 emu $\rightarrow 10^{-3}$ A \cdot m ³ = 10^{-3} J/T
M	magnetization	1 erg/(G \cdot cm ³) = 1 emu/cm ³

$4\pi M$	magnetization	$\rightarrow 10^3$ A/m 1 G $\rightarrow 10^3/(4\pi)$ A/m
σ	specific magnetization	1 erg/(G \cdot cm) = 1 emu/g $\rightarrow 1$ A \cdot m ³ /kg
j	magnetic dipole moment	1 erg/G = 1 emu $\rightarrow 4\pi \times 10^{-10}$ Wb \cdot m
J	magnetic polarization	1 erg/(G \cdot cm ³) = 1 emu/cm ³ $\rightarrow 4\pi \times 10^{-4}$ T
χ, κ	susceptibility	1 $\rightarrow 4\pi$
χ_o	mass susceptibility	1 cm ³ /g $\rightarrow 4\pi \times 10^{-6}$ m ³ /kg
μ	permeability	1 $\rightarrow 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ H/m = $4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ Wb(A \cdot m)
μ_r	relative permeability	$\mu \rightarrow \mu_r$
w, W	energy density	1 erg/cm ³ $\rightarrow 10^{-1}$ J/m ³
N, D	demagnetizing factor	1 $\rightarrow 1/(4\pi)$

Vertical lines are optional in tables. Statements that serve as captions for the entire table do not need footnote letters.

¹Gaussian units are the same as cgs emu for magnetostatics; Mx = maxwell, G = gauss, Oe = oersted; Wb = weber, V = volt, s = second, T = tesla, m = meter, A = ampere, J = joule, kg = kilogram, H = henry.

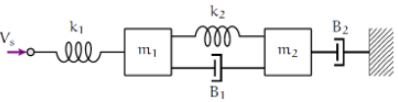


Fig. 1. Schematic model of a Mass-Spring-Damper System.

B. MATH

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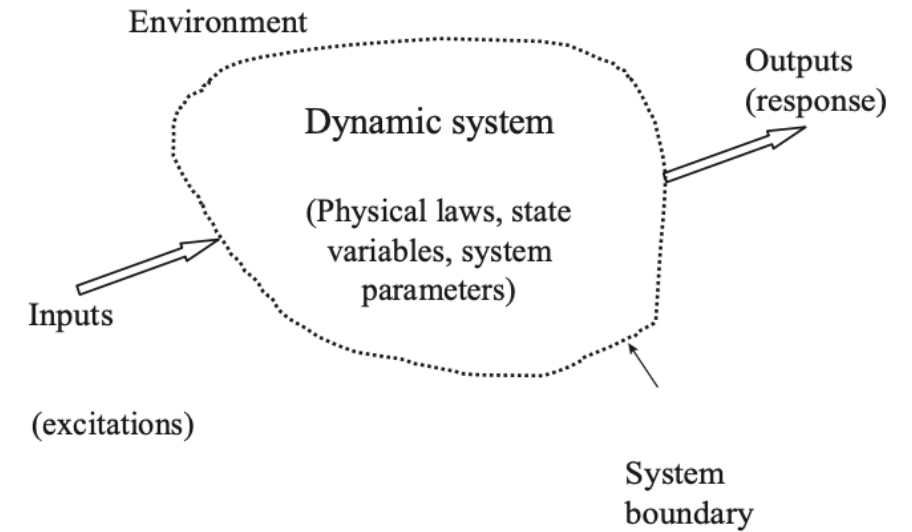
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Follow each of section below to complete the final report!!

1. Download three reference work from the course website
2. Read the first and second reference papers and try to understand them during the course.
3. Repeat the implementation of the circuit design in the second reference paper using Matlab, and report your results in the final report. Compare your results and discuss your findings and your understanding in the final report
4. Or complete the take home exam in the end of the course

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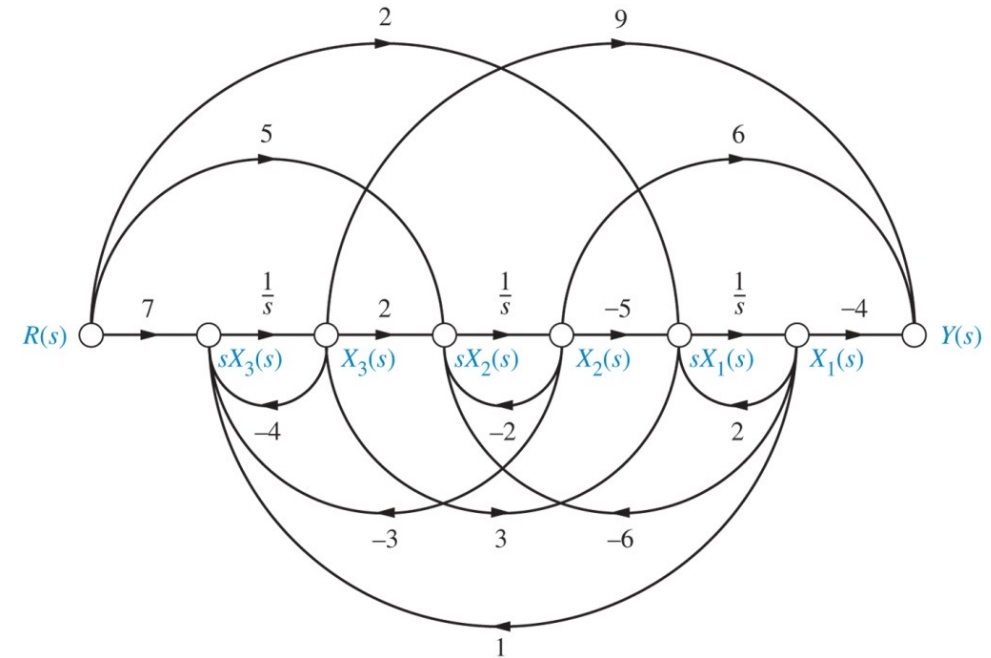
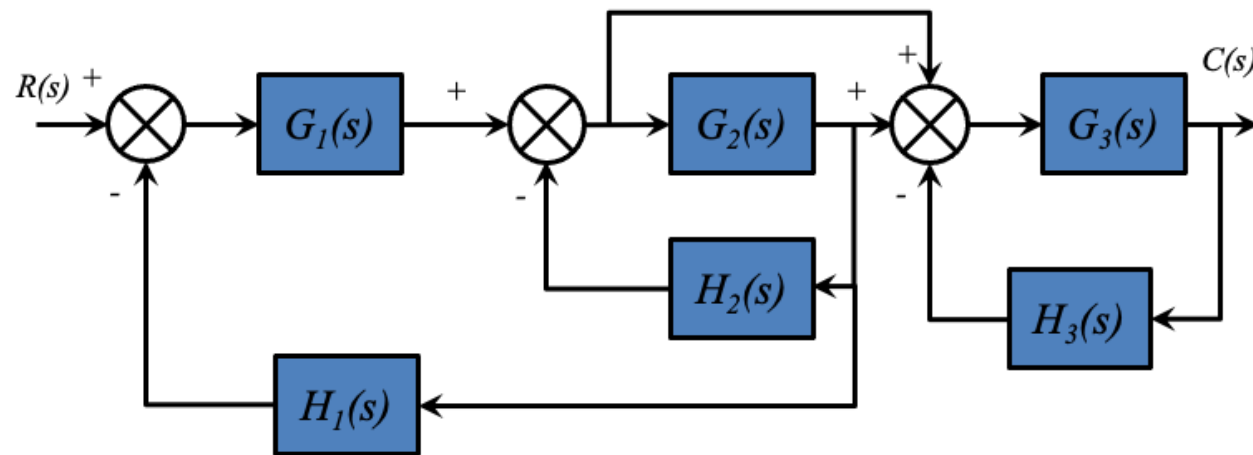
- Introduce the subject of modeling, with focus on multi-physics engineering dynamic systems.
- The importance of dynamic modeling in various applications
- The use of models in the design and control
- Common types of models and modeling techniques and their advantages and disadvantages
- The idea of integrated, unified, systematic mechatronic modeling



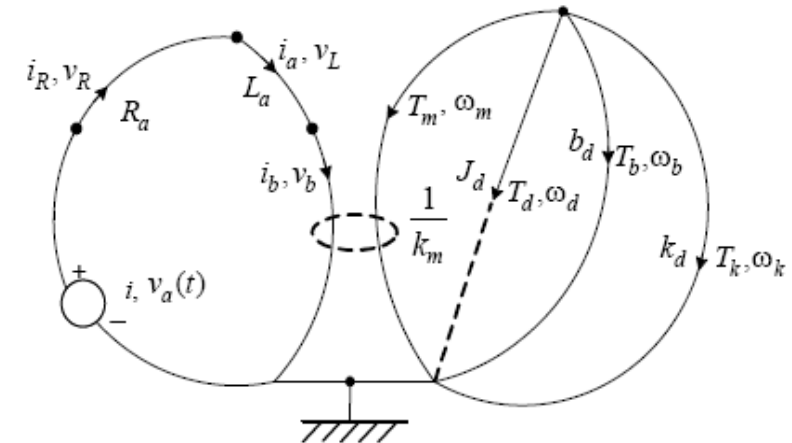
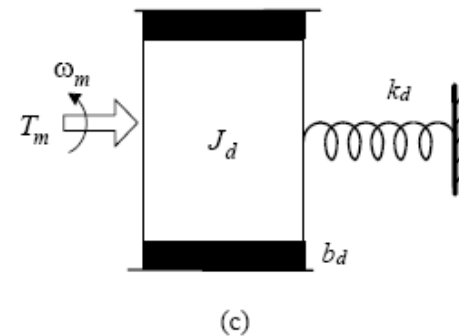
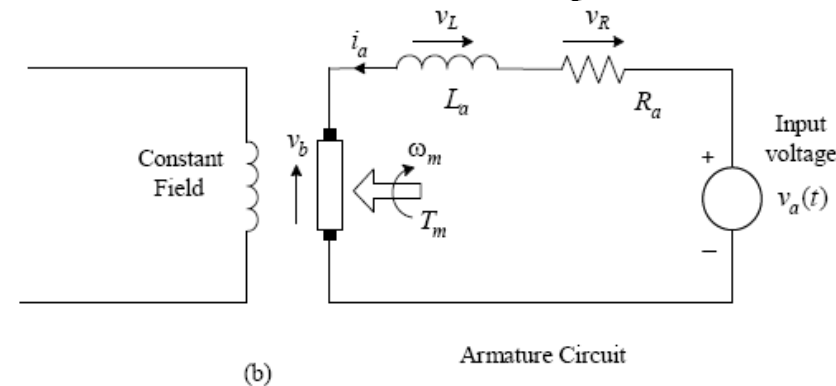
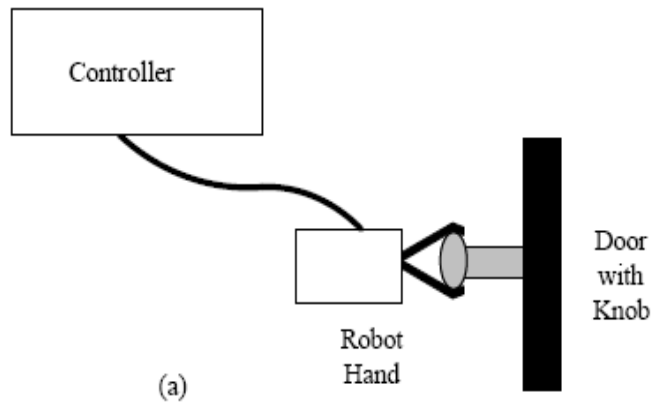
- Re-visit basic elements in mechanical, electrical, fluid and thermal domain
- Introduce two new concepts: across-variables and through-variables
- Discuss similarities across domains
- Re-define basic elements with new categories for energy storage elements, energy dissipation elements and sources.
- Identification of proper and physically meaningful state variable across multiple physics domains.

- Formally introduces analytical modeling of dynamic systems
- Systematic development of state-space models of engineering systems in four physical domains
- Frequency domain models: Transfer Function
- A general method of converting a state-space model into an input-output model
- Indicate the advantages and limitations
- Examples will be discussed

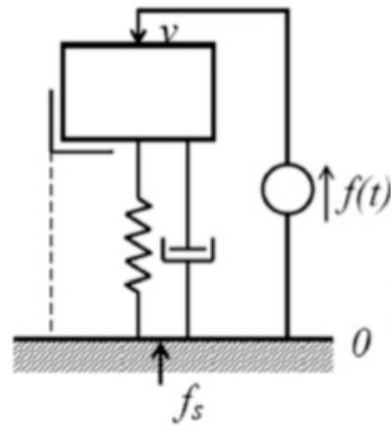
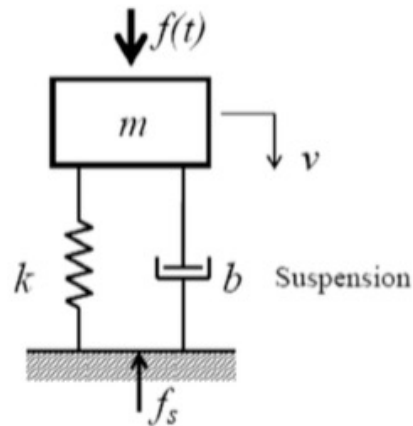
- System block diagram: formulation, simplification and generation of input-output model.
- Signal Flow Graph: formulation and calculation



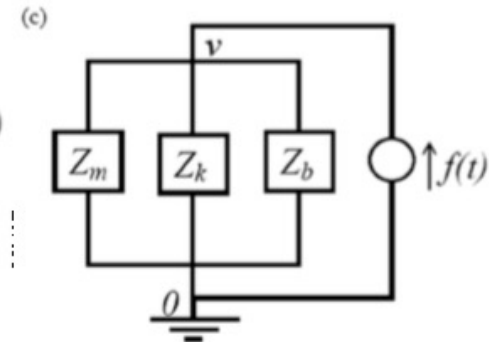
- Introduce the graphical tool for developing models of dynamic systems
- State-space model formulation of any physics (mechanical, electrical, fluid and thermal) or multi-domain (mixed) systems
- Discuss more advanced method in Linear Graph



- Mechanical Circuit
- Mechanical and electrical impedance
- Mechanical mobility and its interconnection laws
- Practical applications

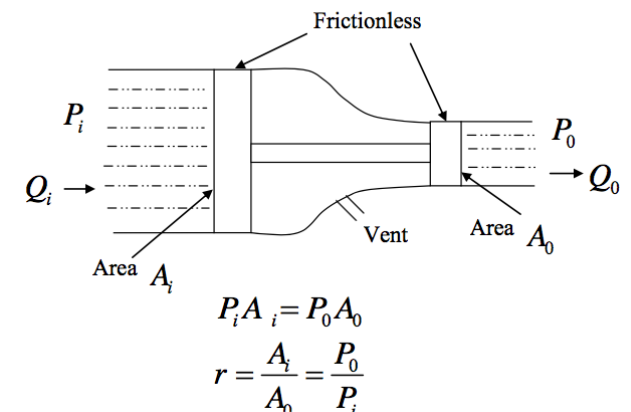
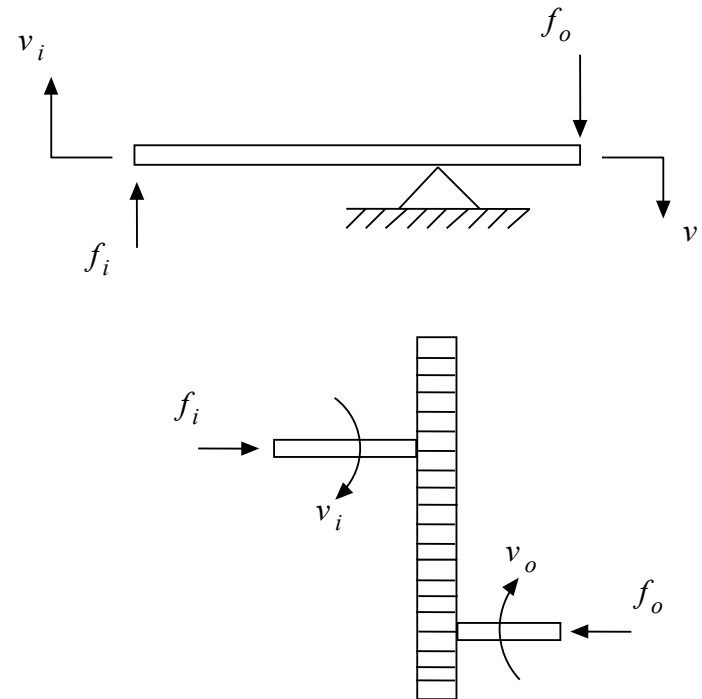
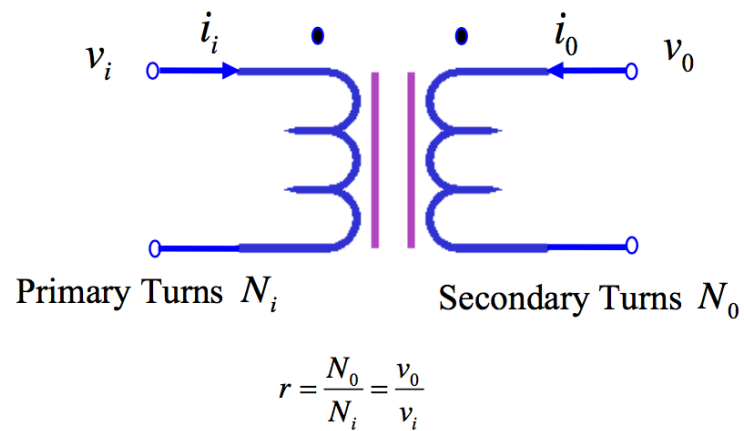


Mechanical Circuit

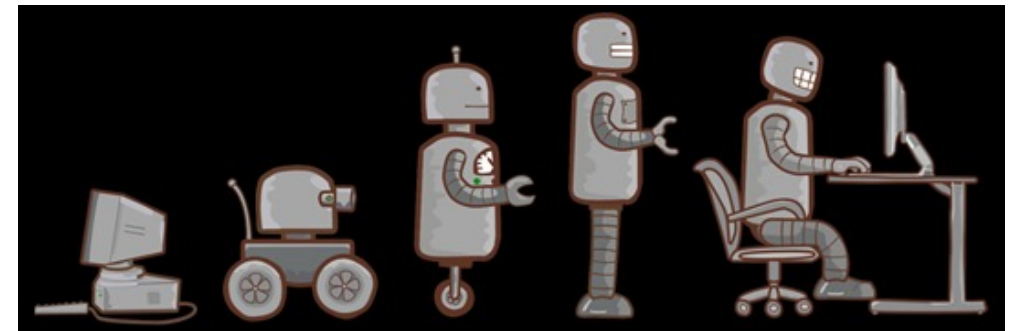
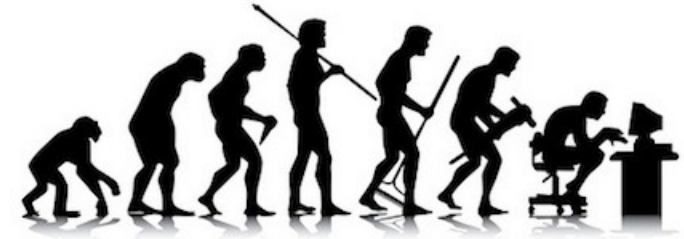
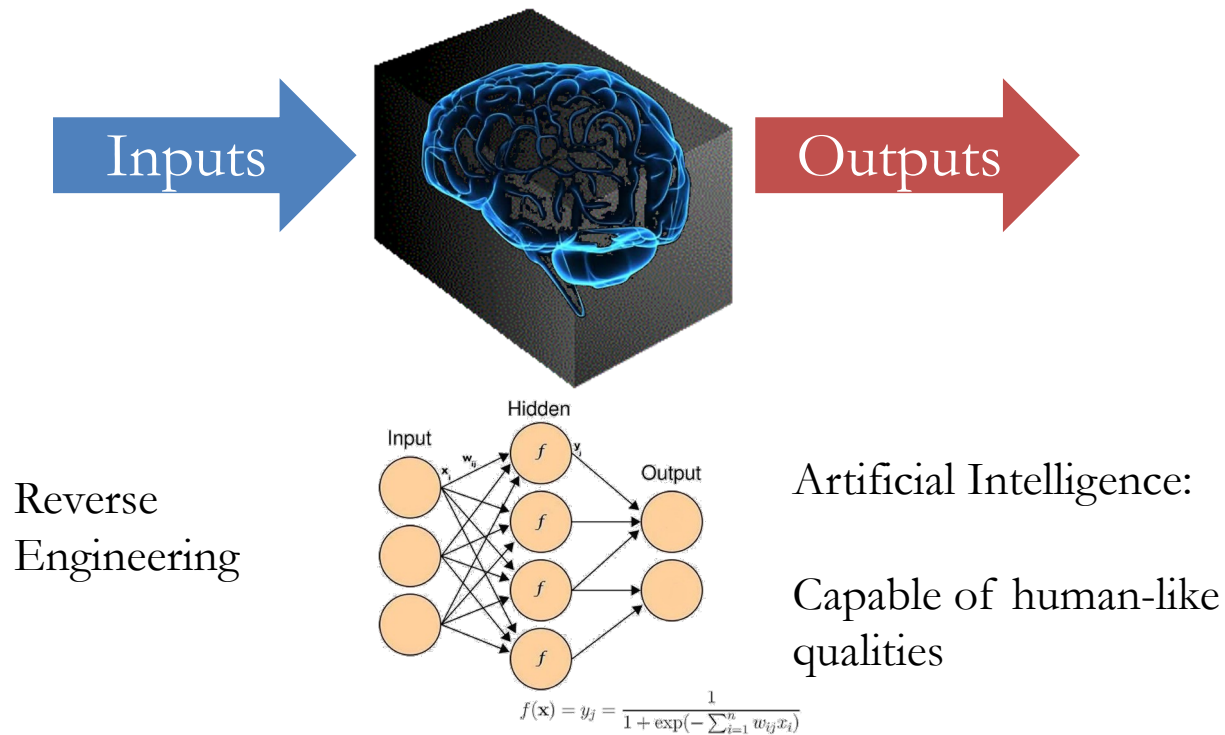


Impedance Circuit

- Extension of the equivalent circuits (commonly in electrical domain) to other physical domain such as mechanical and fluid domains
- Reduction of linear graph using Thevenin and Norton equivalence
- Two port linear graph elements

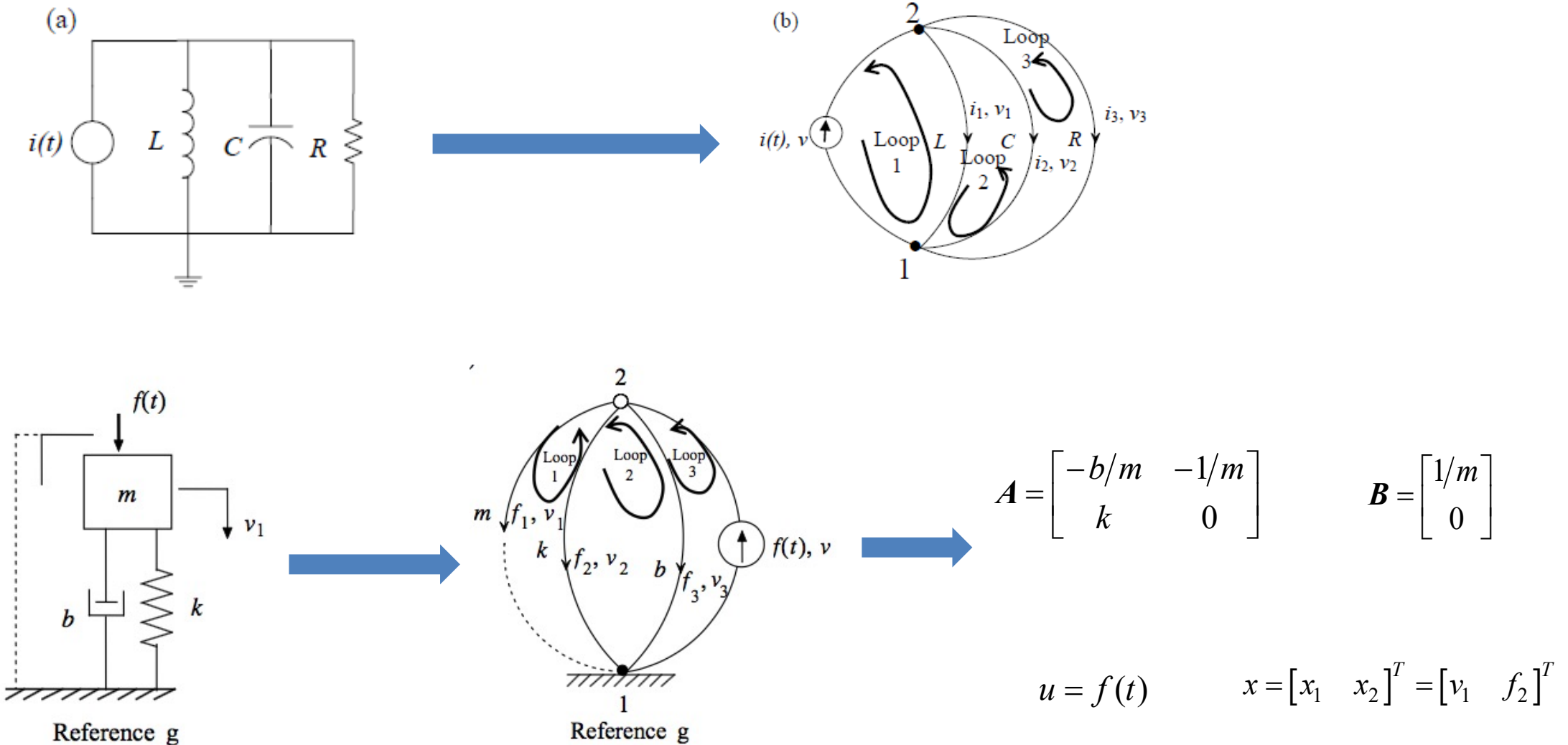


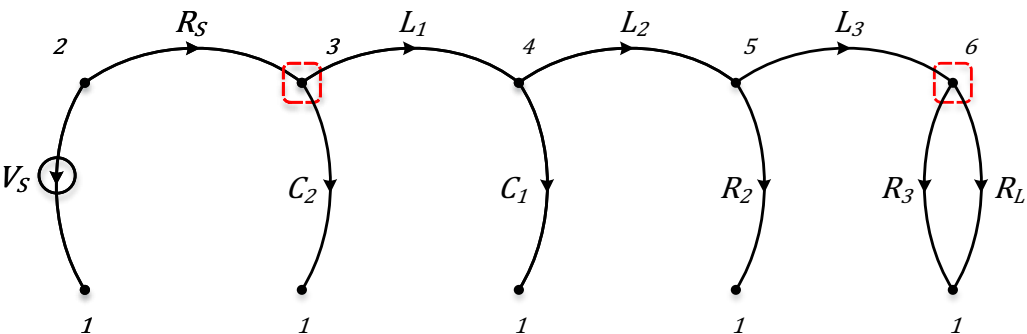
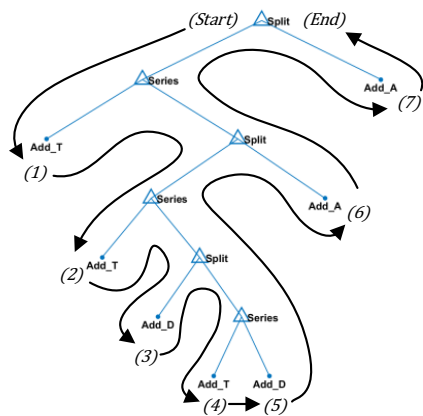
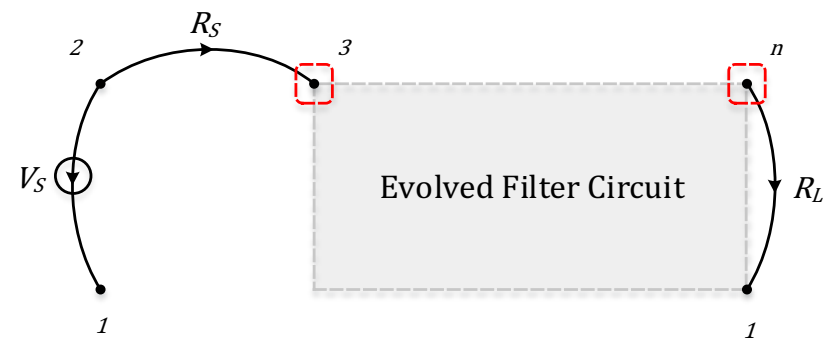
- Introduce general AI algorithms including NNs, GA and Machine Learning
- Discuss possible integration of AI in modeling and design
- Introduce examples



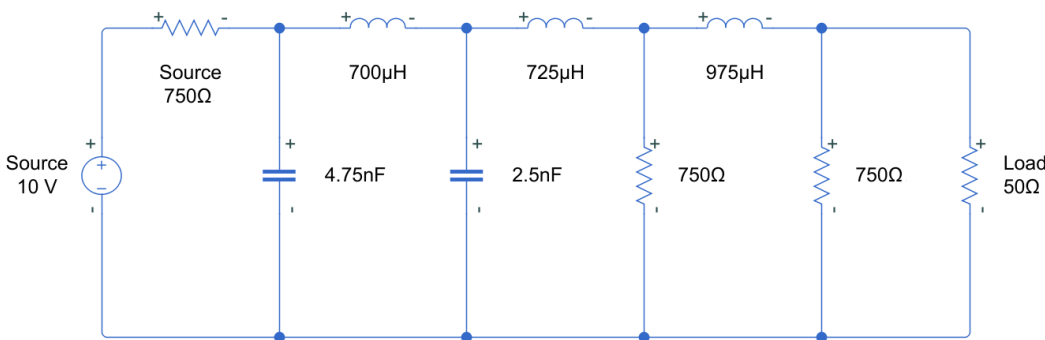
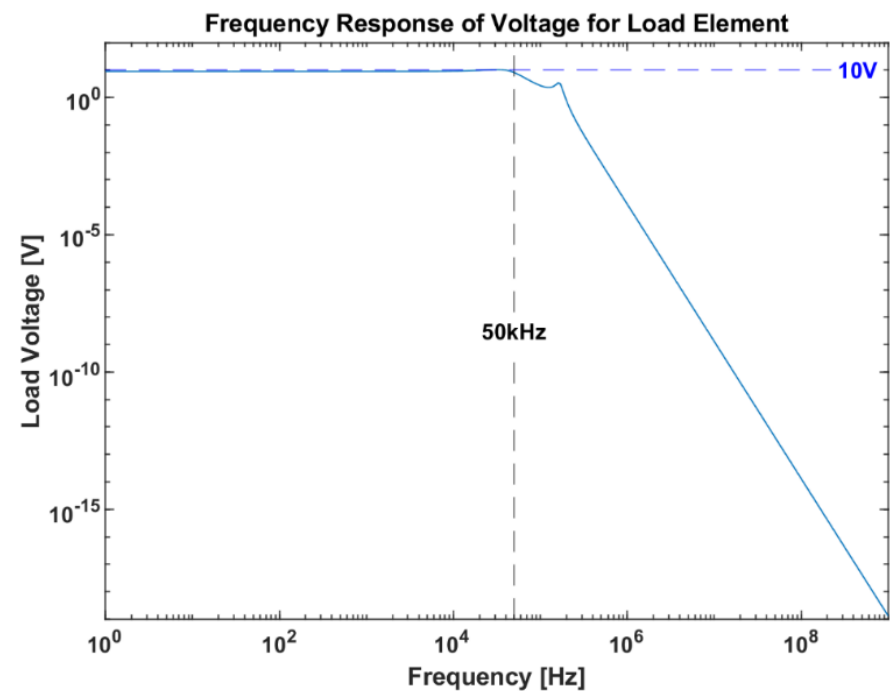
Understanding the system (e.g., human brain)

The driving force behind the creation/evolution

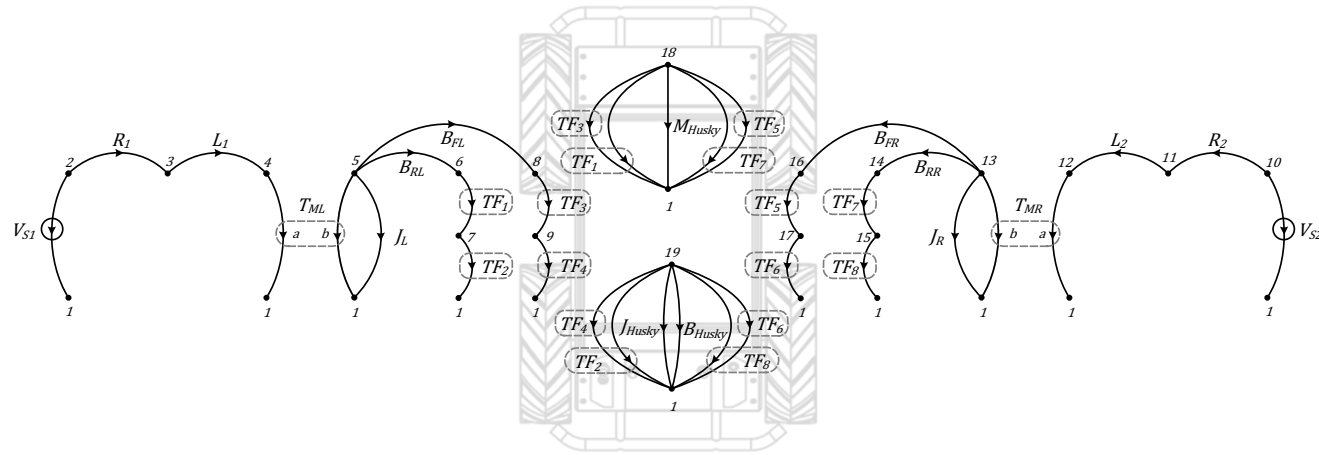




Genetic Programming



Modeling and Design Example 3



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Description	Parameter	Value	Units
Voltage Inputs	V_{s1}, V_{s2}	± 24	V
Internal Motor Resistance	R_1, R_2	0.46	Ω
Internal Motor Inductance	L_1, L_2	0.22	mH
Motor Torque Constant	k_t	0.044488	$N \cdot m/A$
Gear Ratio	GR	78.71 : 1	Gear Ratio
Motor Transformer Ratio	T_{ML}, T_{MR}	$k_t \times GR$	$N \cdot m/A$
Drivetrain Inertia	J_{LW}, J_{RW}	0.08	$kg \cdot m^2$
Drivetrain Damping	$B_{RL, FL, FR, RR}$	Unknown	$rad/(N \cdot m \cdot s)$
Power Conversion Transformer Ratios	TF_{odd}	Equation (7)	
	TF_{even}	Equation (8)	
Husky Mass	M_{Husky}	48.39	kg
Husky Rotational Damping	B_{Husky}	Unknown	$rad/(N \cdot m \cdot s)$
Husky Inertia	J_{Husky}	3.0556	$kg \cdot m^2$

