

Linear & Non-Linear Systems

Linear Systems : A sys obeying the principle of superposition is known as linear.

Law of Superposition : Combination

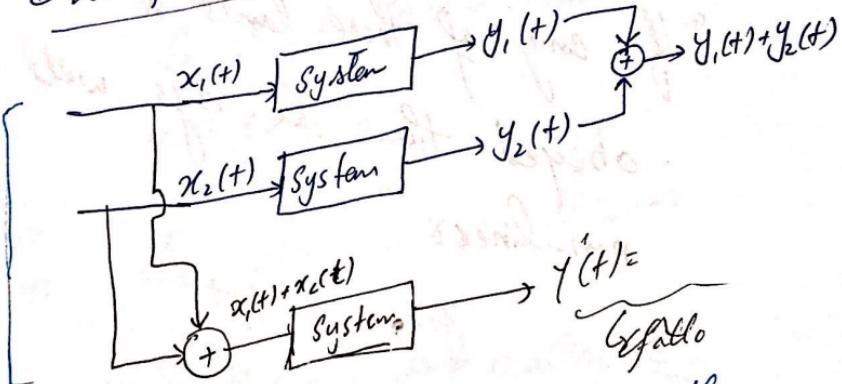
of two laws

① Law of Additivity

② Law of homogeneity

① Law of Additivity

sys is the same.

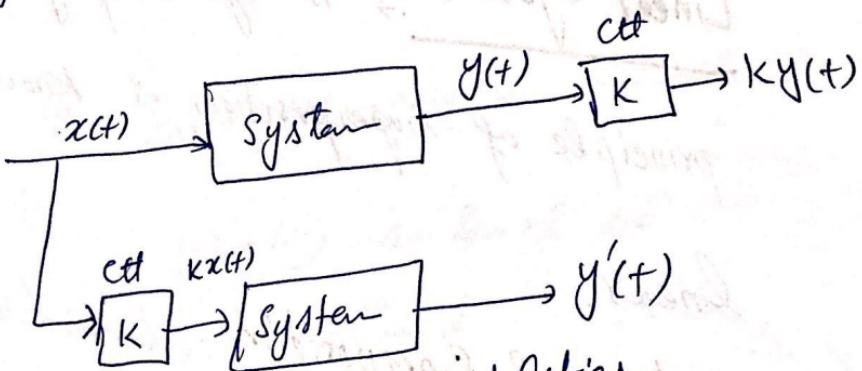


(a) $y(t) = y_1(t) + y_2(t)$ following the law of additivity

(b) $y(t) \neq y_1(t) + y_2(t)$ not following the law.

② Law of Homogeneity \Rightarrow

Again going with the same system



Now again two possibilities:

(a) $y'(t) = Ky(t) \rightarrow$ law of homogeneity is followed

(b) $y'(t) \neq Ky(t) \rightarrow$ law not followed.

"if any of these laws not obeyed then the sys. will be non-linear"

Ex : $y(t) = x(\sin t)$

Linear or N/L ?

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{a} \quad y_1(t) = x_1(\sin t)$$

$$y_2(t) = x_2(\sin t)$$

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = x_1(\sin t) + x_2(\sin t) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\textcircled{b} \quad x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\text{sys}} \rightarrow y(t) = x_1(\sin t) + x_2(\sin t) \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$\textcircled{1} = \textcircled{2}$ so law of Additivity is followed

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \textcircled{a} \quad k y(t) = k x(\sin t) \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

$$\textcircled{b} \quad k x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow k x(\sin t) \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

$$\textcircled{3} = \textcircled{4}$$

So it also follows the law of homogeneity.

So the system is linear.

\Rightarrow if a sys. performs only time scaling then the sys. be linear.

Ex

$$y(t) = x(t^2)$$

linear or N/L?

①

$$\text{② } \xrightarrow{x_1(t)} \text{sys} \rightarrow y_1(t) = x_1(t^2)$$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_2(t) = x_2(t^2)$$

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = x_1(t^2) + x_2(t^2) \rightarrow ①$$

②

$$x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\text{sys}} \rightarrow y'(t) = \underbrace{x_1(t^2) + x_2(t^2)}_{\text{Due to the sys.}} \rightarrow ②$$

functionality as
sys is squaring t.

① = ② \Rightarrow law of additivity is followed.

③

$$\text{④ } x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow \boxed{k} \rightarrow k y(t) = k x(t^2)$$

\hookrightarrow ③

$$\text{⑤ } k x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y'(t) = k x(t^2) \rightarrow ④$$

③ = ④

so homogeneity is also followed

So system is linear.

\rightarrow Once again notice the functionality of system was only time scaling.

Ex

$$y(t) = x(\log t)$$

Linear or N/L

Solution \Rightarrow Linear bcz there is time
Scaling only

Ex

$$y(t) = x^2(t)$$

Linear or N/L ?

Solution

$$x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) = x^2(t)$$

System's functionality is that it
squares its i/p

①

(a)

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_1(t) = x_1^2(t)$$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_2(t) = x_2^2(t)$$

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = x_1^2(t) + x_2^2(t) \rightarrow ①$$

(b)

$$x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) = [\underbrace{x_1(t) + x_2(t)}_{\text{u now this}}]^2 \rightarrow ②$$

is the i/p.

① \neq ② So N/L.

Ex :-

$$y(t) = x^3(t^3)$$

Linear or NL?

Ex

$$y(t) = \underbrace{\sin t}_{\omega-\text{eff}} \underbrace{x(t)}_{\text{i/p}}$$

Linear or NL?

Solution \rightarrow System's functionality is that it multiplies $\sin t$ to its i/p.

① (a)

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_1(t) = \sin(t)x_1(t)$$

$$-x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_2(t) = \sin(t)x_2(t)$$

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = \sin t (x_1(t) + x_2(t))$$

$$\hookrightarrow ①$$

$$② \quad x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y'(t) = \sin t [x_1(t) + x_2(t)]$$

$$\hookrightarrow ②$$

① = ② Additivity law followed.

② (a)

$$x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow \boxed{k} \rightarrow ky(t) = k \sin t x(t)$$

$$\hookrightarrow ③$$

$$kx(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow k \sin t x(t) \rightarrow ④$$

③ = ④ superposition also

(Linear Time Varying Sys)

followed So linear.

Ex

$$y(t) = e^3 x(t)$$

linear or N/L?

Solution ①

① $x_1(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow y_1(t) = e^3 x_1(t)$

$x_2(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow y_2(t) = e^3 x_2(t)$

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = e^3 [x_1(t) + x_2(t)] \rightarrow ①$$

②

$$x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow y(t) = e^3 [x_1(t) + x_2(t)] \rightarrow ②$$

① = ② Additivity law ✓

③

③ $x(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow [k] \rightarrow k y(t) = k e^3 x(t)$

↪ ③

④

$$k x(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow e^3 k x(t) \rightarrow ④$$

③ = ④ homogeneity ✓

Linear (Linear time Invariant System)

⇒ The system's linearity is independent of the system's co-efficients.

Examples :- ① $y(t) = (\log t + 3t^2)x(t)$

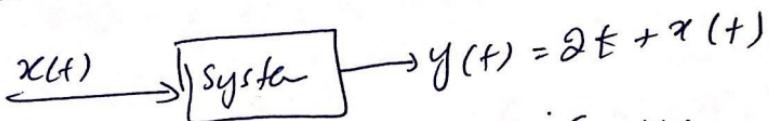
② $y(t) = t u(t) \cdot x(t)$

Time dependent.

Ex $y(t) = \underline{2t} + x(t)$

Linear or N/L ?

Solution



Sys is adding $2t$ to its i/p.

①

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_1(t) = 2t + x_1(t)$$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_2(t) = 2t + x_2(t)$$

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = 4t + x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

②

$$x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y'(t) = 2t + x_1(t) + x_2(t)$$

$\hookrightarrow \textcircled{2}$

$$\textcircled{1} \neq \textcircled{2}$$

So system is N/L. (N/L time varying sys)

Time independent

Ex

$$y(t) = \underline{2} + x(t)$$

Linear or N/L ?

Solution

(1) (a) $x_1(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow y_1(t) = 2 + x_1(t)$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow y_2(t) = 2 + x_2(t)$$

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = y + x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow (1)$$

(b) $x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow y'(t) = 2 + x_1(t) + x_2(t)$ $\hookrightarrow (2)$

$$(1) \neq (2) \boxed{N/L}$$

(2) Let us also check LOH.

(a) $x(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow [k] \rightarrow k(2 + x(t))$ $\hookrightarrow (3)$

(b) $kx(t) \rightarrow sys \rightarrow y'(t) = 2 + kx(t) \rightarrow (4)$

$$(3) \neq (4) \text{ LOH } \times$$

Sys is N/L. (N/L time invariant)

=> In case of added or subtracted terms (other than the input and output) the system will be nonlinear

[System performing amplitude shifting will always be nonlinear]

Ex:- (1) $y(t) = 2t^3 - x(t^3)$

(2) $y(t) = x(t-1) + x(t+1)$

Solutions

(a)

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_1(t) = x_1(t-1) + x_1(t+1)$$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_2(t) = x_2(t-1) + x_2(t+1)$$

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = x_1(t-1) + x_2(t-1) + x_1(t+1) \\ + x_2(t+1) \rightarrow ①$$

(b)

$$x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) = x_1(t-1) + x_2(t-1) \\ + x_1(t+1) + x_2(t+1)$$

↳ ②

① = ② LOA ✓

(c)

$$x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow [K] \rightarrow Ky(t) = Kx(t-1) + Kx(t+1)$$

↳ ③

⑤ $Kx(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) = Kx(t-1) + Kx(t+1)$

↳ ④

③ = ④ LOH ✓

So the sys is linear.

⇒ A. sys performing only time shifting

is linear.

or \tilde{y} is independent of time
shifting.

Ex

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

Linear or N/L?

[Time scaling, time shifting and amplitude scaling has no effect on linearity]

Solutions

①

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_1(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t x_1(\tau) d\tau$$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_2(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t x_2(\tau) d\tau$$

$$y_1(t) + y_2(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t x_1(\tau) d\tau + \int_{-\infty}^t x_2(\tau) d\tau$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^t [x_1(\tau) + x_2(\tau)] d\tau \rightarrow \text{①}$$

②

$$x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y'(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t [x_1(\tau) + x_2(\tau)] d\tau$$

↪ ②

① = ② LDA ✓

② ③

$$x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) \xrightarrow{\text{[K]}} K y(t) \rightarrow K \int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau$$

↪ ③

$$K x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y'(t) = K \int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau$$

↪ ④

③ = ④ LOH ✓

Integration is a linear operator.

Ex

$$y(t) = \frac{d}{dt} x(t)$$

Linear or N/L?

Solution

① (a) $x_1(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_1(t) = \frac{d}{dt} x_1(t)$

$x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y_2(t) = \frac{d}{dt} x_2(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(t) + y_2(t) &= \frac{d x_1}{dt} + \frac{d x_2}{dt} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} [x_1(t) + x_2(t)] \rightarrow ① \end{aligned}$$

② (b) $x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) = \frac{d}{dt} [x_1(t) + x_2(t)]$ $\hookrightarrow ②$

$$① = ② \quad \text{LOA} \checkmark$$

③ (a)

$$x(t) \Rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow [k] \rightarrow k y(t) = k \frac{d x(t)}{dt}$$

$\hookrightarrow ③$

$$k x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y'(t) = \frac{d}{dt} k x(t) = k \frac{d x(t)}{dt}$$

$\hookrightarrow ④$

$$③ = ④ \quad \text{LOH} \checkmark$$

Differential operation (operator)

i) linear operators.

Ex $y(+)=\text{Even}[x(+)]$

Linear or N/L?

Solution

$$y(+) = \overline{E}[x(+)] = \frac{x(+) + x(-t)}{2}$$

$$y(+) = \frac{1}{2}x(+) + \frac{1}{2}x(-t)$$

This sys.. is linear. Why?

→ use the prop.

Even operator (E) is a linear operator.

Ex $y(+) = \text{Odd}[x(+)]$

Linear or N/L?

$$y(+) = \frac{x(+) - x(-t)}{2}$$

$$y(+) = \frac{1}{2}x(+) - \frac{1}{2}x(-t)$$

Odd operator (O) is linear.

$$\text{Ex: } y(t) = \operatorname{Re}[x(t)] \quad \text{Linear?}$$

Method. 1

$$y(t) = \frac{x(t) + \bar{x}(t)}{2}$$

LDT

$$① x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow [k] \rightarrow k \left[\frac{x(t) + \bar{x}(t)}{2} \right]$$

↪ ①

$$kx(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) = \frac{kx(t) + \bar{k}\bar{x}(t)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{kx(t) + \bar{k} \cdot \bar{x}(t)}{2}$$

↪ ②

$$① \neq ② \quad \text{if } k=j=\sqrt{-1} \Rightarrow \text{if } k=j \\ \text{then } \bar{k} = -j$$

So N/L.

Method 2

$$x(t) = a(t) + jb(t)$$

$$y(t) = a(t)$$

$$\text{LDT: } x(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow [j] \rightarrow ja(t)$$

↪ ①

$$ja(t) = ja(t) - b(t) \rightarrow \text{sys} \rightarrow -b(t)$$

↪ ②

① ≠ ② So N/L

$$\text{Ex: } y(t) = \operatorname{Im}(x(t))$$

Linear or N/L?

Solution
→ "Re" and "Im" operators are

both N/L operators.

→ Conjugate operator is a N/L operator

Linear operators
Integral, Differential, E, D,

N/L operators

→ Re, → Im, → Conjugate,

→ Trigonometric operators

(e.g., $y(t) = \cos(x(t))$)

→ Inverse Trigonometric

→ Logarithmic (e.g., $\log_2(y(t)) = x(t)$)

→ Exponential ($y(t) = e^{x(t)}$)

→ Roots & power

e.g., (1) $y(t) = \sqrt{x(t)}$

(2) $y(t) = x^2(t)$

(3) $y'(t) = xe(t)$

→ Modulus operator $y(t) = |x(t)|$

→ Sgn operation $y(t) = \operatorname{sgn}(x(t))$

→ $y(t) = \sin(x(t))$

\Rightarrow A linear Sys. give zero o/p
for zero i/p

$$\text{i.e. } x(t) = 0 \Rightarrow y(t) = 0$$

E.g

$$\textcircled{1} \quad y(t) = 2x(t)$$

we know that this is
linear?

because the
coefficient is
constant

is independent of the co-efficients.
However, let see if from the above
result.

$$x(t) = 0$$

Linear

$$y(t) = 2 \times 0 = 0$$

\textcircled{2}

$$y(t) = 2 + x(t)$$

we know the sys is NL.

let see

$$\text{for } x(t) = 0$$

$$y(t) = 2 + 0 = 2 \text{ NL}$$

Linearity of Split Systems.

Ex $y(t) = \begin{cases} x(t-1) & t < 0 \\ x(t+1) & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$

Linear?

Solution :-

Let us represent $y(t)$ as

$$y(t) = a(t)x(t-1) + b(t)x(t+1)$$

where

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

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

We know that Linearity is independent of co-efficients and time shifting

So this sys. is linear.

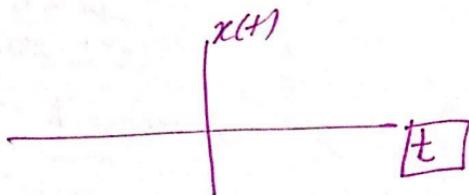
→ However all the split sys are TV systems.

Summary

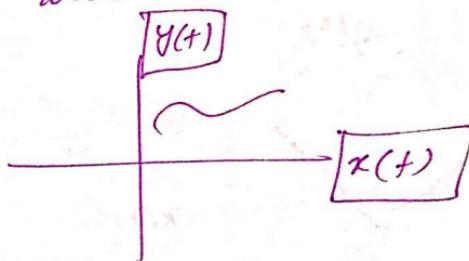
- ① Sys. linearity is independent of time scaling & time shifting.
- ② " " " " of sys. co-efficients.
- ③ if there are any added/subtracted terms (other than the $i/p \propto o/p$), the sys. will be non-linear
- ④ Integral, Differential, \vec{E} and \vec{O} operators are linear.
- ⑤ Re , Im & Conjugate are NL operators
- ⑥ Trigonometric, inverse trigonometric, Logarithmic, exponential, Root, powers, modulus, sinc and sgn are NL.
- ⑦ A linear sys. must give 0 o/p for 0 i/p
- ⑧ Split sys. are TV

Linearity From Transfer Xtics

→ So far we've seen the signal plots



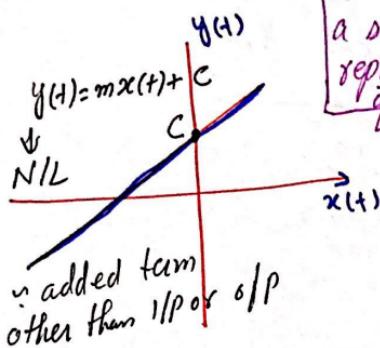
→ But we may also have



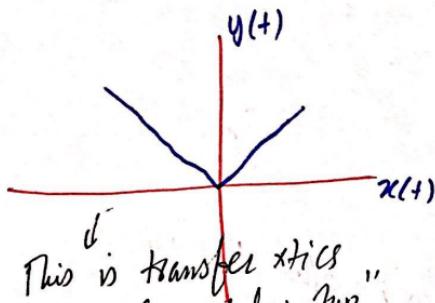
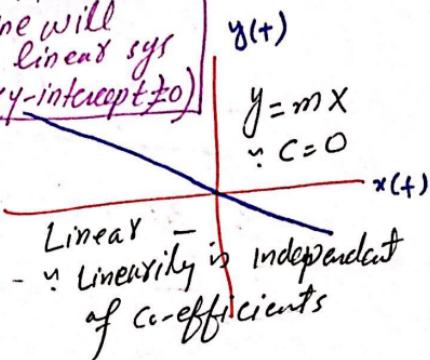
Transfer Xtics :> Plot b/w the i/p &

the o/p of a sys is known as
the transfer xtics of a sys.

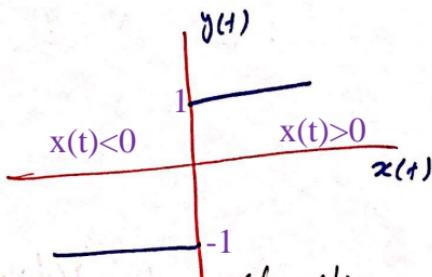
→ We can directly infer linearity
from the transfer xtics using
the already developed results.

Ex

So a transfer x-tics with
a straight line will
represent a linear sys
if $c=0$ (y -intercept $\neq 0$)



This is transfer x-tics
of modulus fun"
 $y(t) = |x(t)|$ do
N/L



This is transfer x-tics
of sgn fun"
 $y(t) = \text{sgn}[x(t)]$
So N/L.