

## Control System Design: Assignment#3, MIMO Systems

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We find the dynamics of the system using conservation of mass principle, we have two dynamical equation for our system:

$$A_1 \cdot \frac{dh_1}{dt} = b_1 \cdot u - \frac{h_1 - h_2}{R_1},$$

$$A_2 \cdot \frac{dh_2}{dt} = b_2 \cdot u + \frac{h_1 - h_2}{R_1} - \frac{h_2}{R_1}.$$

Now we can define our states:

let,  $x_1 = h_1$  &  $x_2 = h_2$ ,

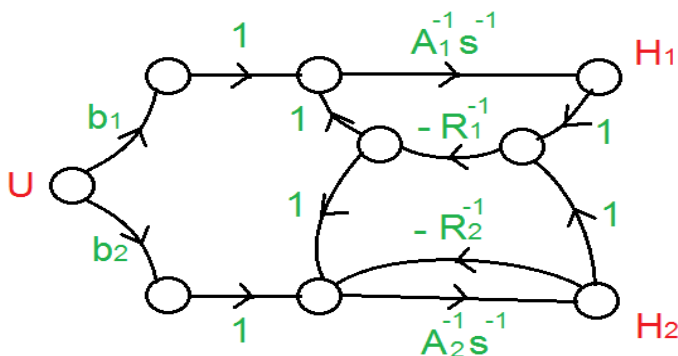
Our state space model:

$\dot{\bar{x}} = A\bar{x} + Bu$ , where:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-1}{R_1 \cdot A_1} & \frac{1}{R_1 \cdot A_1} \\ \frac{1}{R_1 \cdot A_2} & \frac{-1}{A_2} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) \end{bmatrix},$$

and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}.$

The signal flow graph:

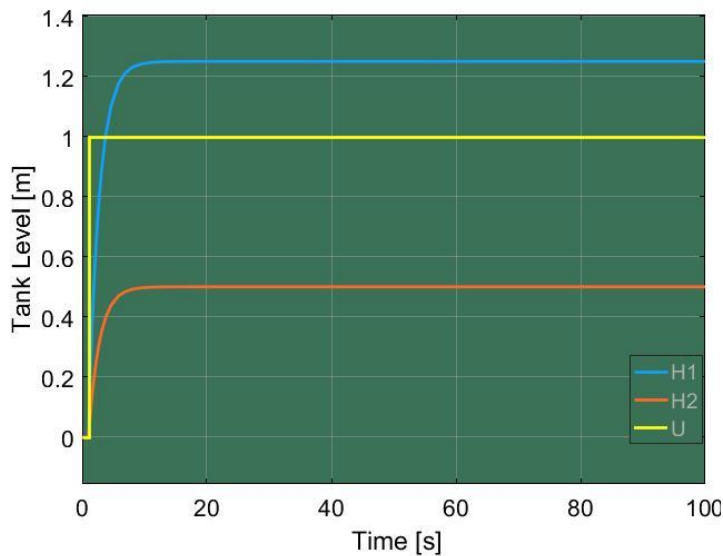


Also we can model our system by either using SIMULINK or LABVIEW, and both of them have been used. (see the attached files)

In MATLAB we defined the following values:

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% System parameters:
u = 1; %Input [m^3/s]
b1 = 0.75; %Gain#1 []
b2 = 0.25; %Gain#2 []
R1 = 1; %Flow resistance#1
[m/m^3/s]
R2 = 0.5; %Flow resistance#2
[m/m^3/s]
A1 = 1; %Tank#1 capacitance
[m^2]
A2 = 1; %Tank#2 capacitance
[m^2]
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Then we obtained the following results, for a unit step input:



We note that the levels of the two tanks are interactive with each other, our input flow is entering both tanks by some factors  $b_1$  &  $b_2$ , and both levels are affecting each other through the resistance  $R_1$ .

Now we analyze the system to find its eigenvalues and eigenvectors using the following script:

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% Eig. Val & Vec:
A = [-1/(R1*A1) 1/(R1*A1);
1/(R1*A2) -(1/A2)*(1/R1 + 1/R2)];
B = [b1/A1; b2/A2];
C = eye(2); D = [0; 0];
[T,lam] = eig(A);
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and we found the following results:

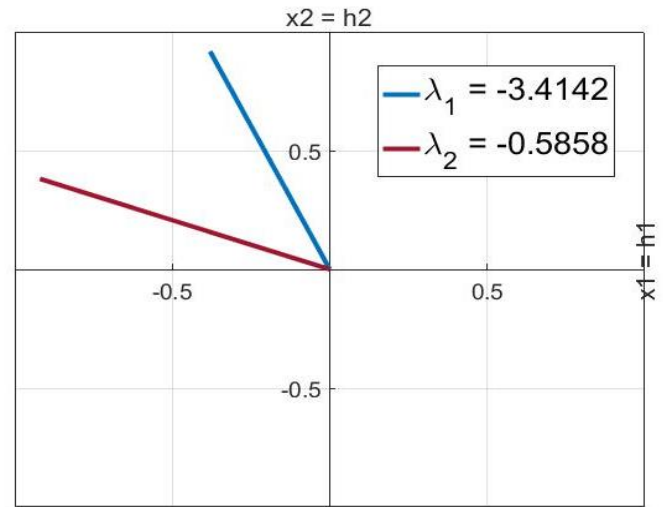
Eigenvalues:

$$\lambda_{1,2} = -3.4142, -0.5858,$$

Eigenvectors:

$$[\bar{T}_1 \quad \bar{T}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} -0.3827 & -0.9239 \\ 0.9239 & -0.3827 \end{bmatrix}$$

Shown graphically:



We note that the first (fastest) mode is dominant in  $h_2$  level, and the second (slowest) in  $h_1$  level.

To check for controllability and observability:

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if rank(ctrb(A,B))==2
&rank(observ(A,C))==2
    disp('The system is
controllable and observable!')
end
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Thus, our system is controllable and observable! ■