

Model & Modelling Basics

- *Model Types*
- Mathematical Modelling Process
- Mathematical Modelling Examples



Types of Models

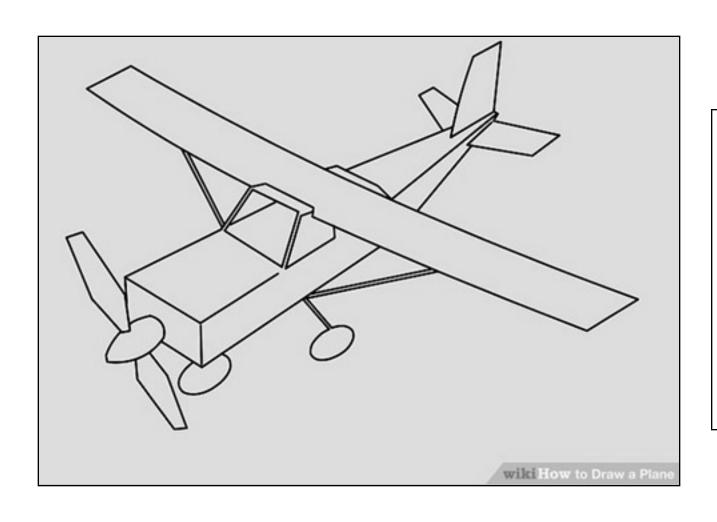


Model Types & Choice

Models of a system, for serving specific objectives, can be of various types.

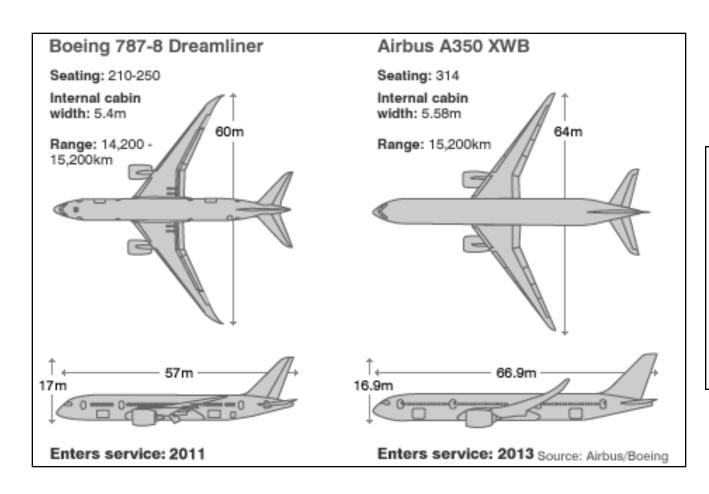
Also, **choice of a model** depends largely on the problem on hand as well as the **resources** for the **modelling task**.

Sketch as Model



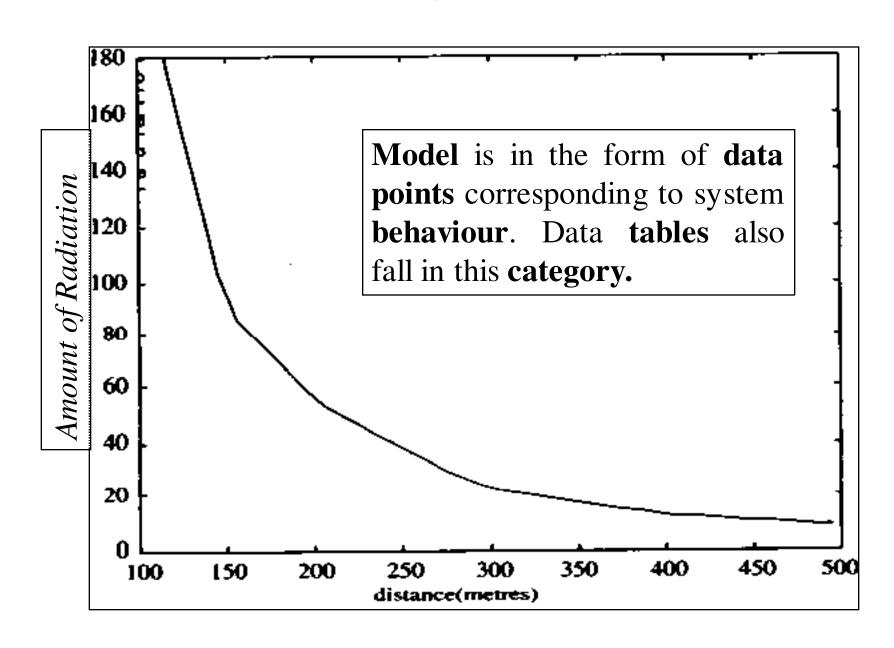
Sketches are the most common form of models that most of us deal with. These are useful while explaining the concept.

Drawing as Model

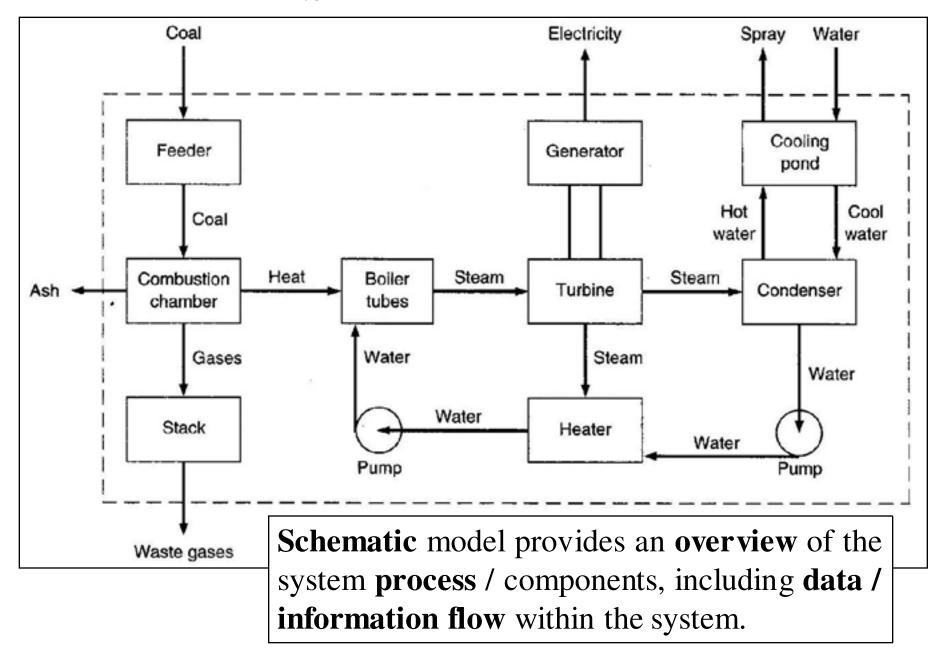


3-view drawings
help in overall
visualization and
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manufacturing
process.

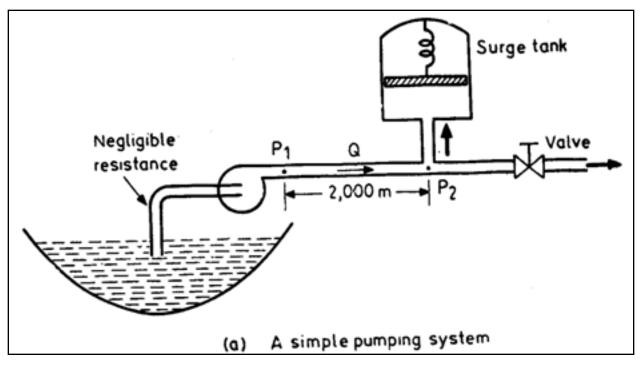
Design Data Model

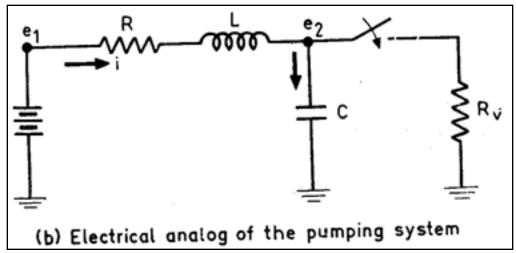


Schematic Model



Analogy Based Model





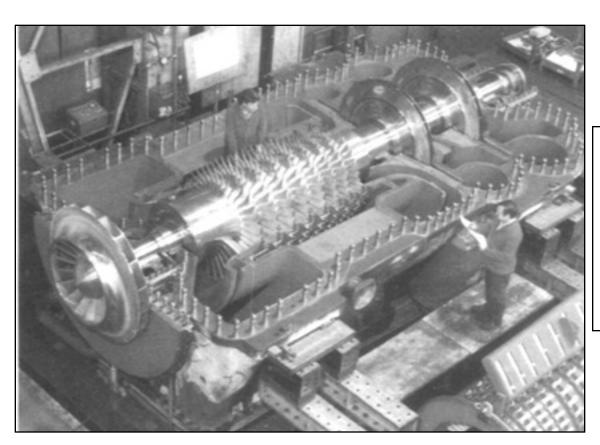
Analogy based models bring out equivalence between different disciplines and help in quick assessment of performance at low cost.

Mockup Model



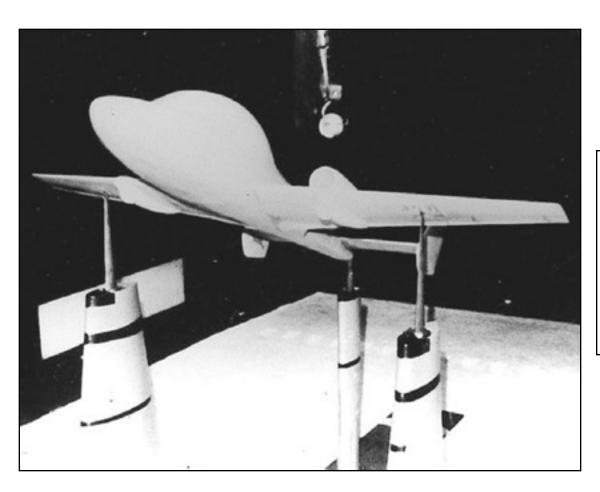
Mock-up models provide a full scale size feel, along with topological information and aid in design.

Cut-section Component Model



Cut-section (or cut-away) models provide details on internal layout and help in re-engineering of systems.

Scaled Test Model



Scaled models are important aid in verifying new designs / concepts through less expensive lab level test.

Mathematical Model

$$X - mg \sin \theta = m(\dot{u}^E + qw^E - rv^E)$$

$$Y + mg \cos \theta \sin \phi = m(\dot{v}^E + ru^E - pw^E)$$

$$Z + mg \cos \theta \cos \phi = m(\dot{w}^E + pv^E - qu^E)$$

$$L = I_x \dot{p} - I_{zx} \dot{r} + qr(I_z - I_y) - I_{zx}pq + qh'_z - rh'_y$$

$$M = I_y \dot{q} + rp(I_x - I_z) + I_{zx}(p^2 - r^2) + rh'_x - ph'_z,$$

$$N = I_z \dot{r} - I_{zx} \dot{p} + pq(I_y - I_x) + I_{zx}qr + ph'_y - qh'_x$$

$$p = \dot{\phi} - \dot{\psi} \sin \theta$$

$$q = \dot{\theta} \cos \phi + \dot{\psi} \cos \theta \sin \phi$$

$$r = \dot{\psi} \cos \theta \cos \phi - \dot{\theta} \sin \phi$$

$$\dot{\phi} = p + (q \sin \phi + r \cos \phi) \tan \theta$$

$$\dot{\theta} = q \cos \phi - r \sin \phi$$

$$\dot{\psi} = (q \sin \phi + r \cos \phi) \sec \theta$$

Mathematical models aim to capture system features in the mathematical framework so that mathematical tools can be employed to characterize the behaviour.



Choice of Model Type

In the context of **control**, models are generally **mathematical or experimental** and the choice depends on **knowledge** base and resources.

Mathematical Models Used When

- A valid & solvable theory exists, along with necessary computational resources.
- Experimental Models Used When
 - Mathematical techniques are inadequate.



Comparison of Model Types

Mathematical Models are easier to build and less expensive but are usually less accurate.

Experimental Models are more realistic but also more difficult to synthesize & expensive.

As a first step, models employed for control analysis and design are mathematical in nature.



Mathematical Models



Mathematical Models

Mathematical models are forms which use applicable mathematical relations between input and output.

These relations can be **algebraic**, differential, integral, **logical** etc.

In general, such **models** can be created from **first principles**, if clearly known and understood.

We can also **obtain** models from **I/O methods**, in cases where **actual** / analogous **hardware** is available.

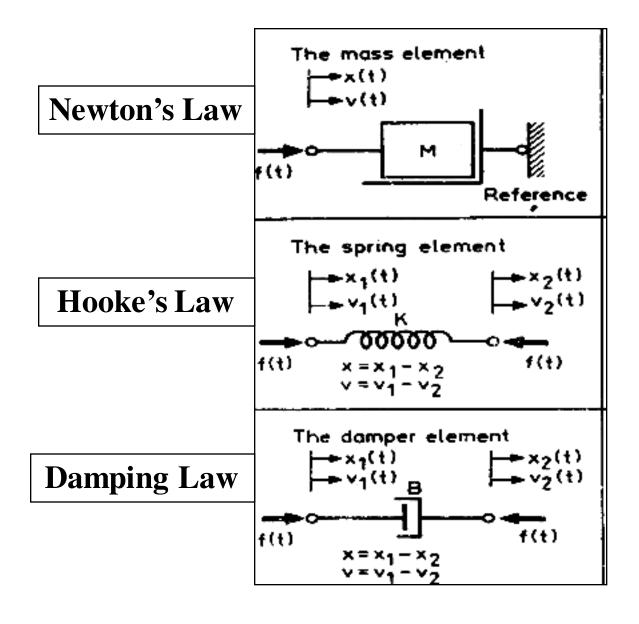
First Principles Based Models

In early stages of system development, we have idea of only the physics of the process, so that we can employ the basic physical laws that govern the process.

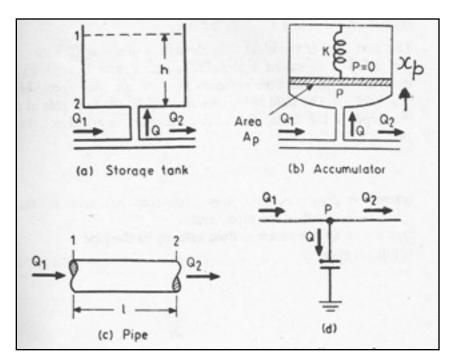
As all **processes** involve, mechanics, **elasticity**, fluid dynamics, thermodynamics, **electricity** and magnetism, we can **synthesize** models from laws governing **these effects**.

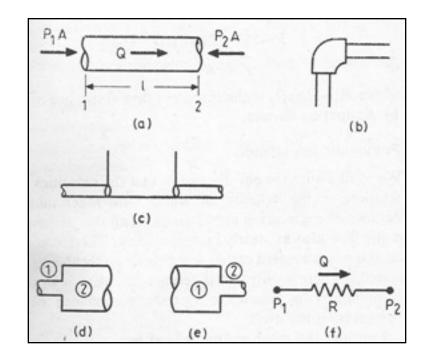
Generally, idealized versions of these effects are employed to capture the dominant features of the process, ignoring the non-essential features.

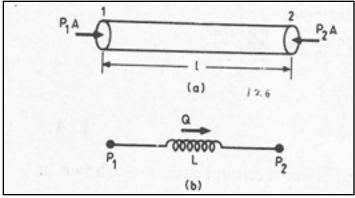
Idealized Mechanical/Elastic Effects



Idealized Fluidic Effects

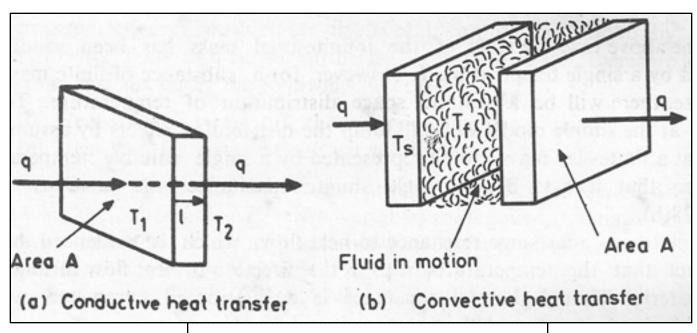






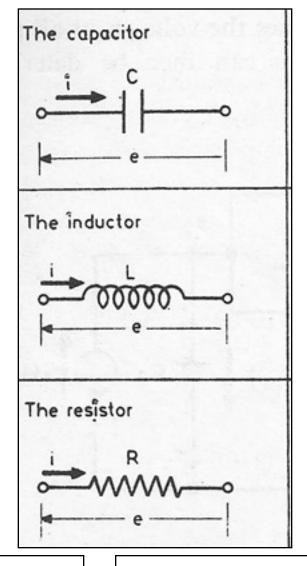
Laws of Fluid Mechanics

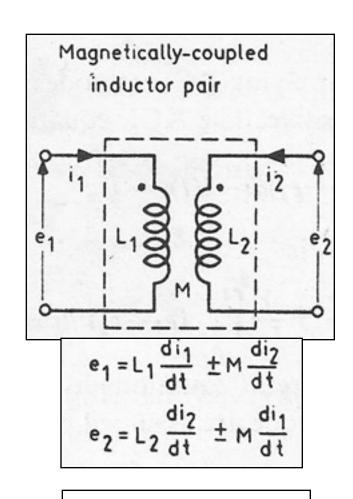
Idealized Thermal Effects



Thermodynamic Laws

Idealized Electrical & Magnetic Effects





Farraday's Law

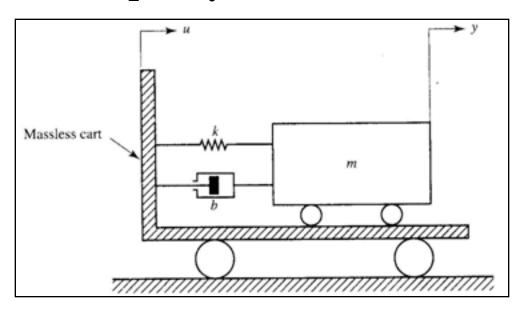
Ohm's Law

Kirchoff's Laws

Mathematical Model Examples

Spring-Mass-Damper System

A spring-mass-damper system is shown below.



Equation governing the motion of mass, 'y', subjected to input motion 'u', is as follows.

$$k(u-y)+b(\dot{u}-\dot{y})=m\ddot{y};\quad m\ddot{y}+b\dot{y}+ky=b\dot{u}+ku$$

Liquid Storage Tank System

A tank with cross-sectional area, A(H), is storing water up to a **height, H**. If it is known that outflow (Q) through tap connected to the tank is described by the relation, Q = $K\sqrt{H}$, the differential equation for height, H, is as follows.

$$A(-dH) = Qdt \rightarrow \frac{dH}{dt} = -\frac{Q}{A}; \quad Q = K\sqrt{H}; \quad V = AH$$

$$\frac{dH}{dt} + \frac{K\sqrt{H}}{A} = 0; \quad R = \frac{dH}{dQ} = \frac{2H}{Q}; \quad C = \frac{dV}{dH} = A$$

Pressurized Gas System

In a **pressurized gas system**, gas flows through a valve into **a chamber**. If the expansion is **polytropic** process, equation of **gas pressure** variation is obtained as follows.

$$P\left(\frac{V}{m}\right)^{n} = \frac{P}{\rho^{n}} = K; \quad PV = R_{gas}T; \quad R = \frac{d(\Delta P)}{dm/dt}$$

$$C = \frac{dm}{dP} = V\frac{d\rho}{dP} = \frac{V\rho}{nP} = \frac{V}{nR_{gas}T}$$

$$CdP = dm \to RC\frac{dP}{dt} + \Delta P = 0$$

Heating System

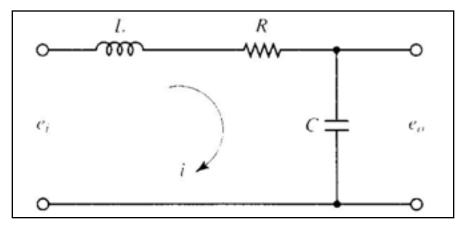
A block of mass, M with specific heat, c, is receiving hot air at temperature, T_1 while its own temperature is at, T. If the convective heat transfer rate (q) is related to the change in temperature, dT, as q = K dT, the differential equation for T is as follows.

$$q = K(T_1 - T); \quad qdt = McdT$$

$$K(T_1 - T)dt = McdT \rightarrow \frac{dT}{dt} + \frac{K}{Mc}T = \frac{K}{Mc}T_1$$

Electrical System

An RLC circuit is to be used as a power supply, as shown below.

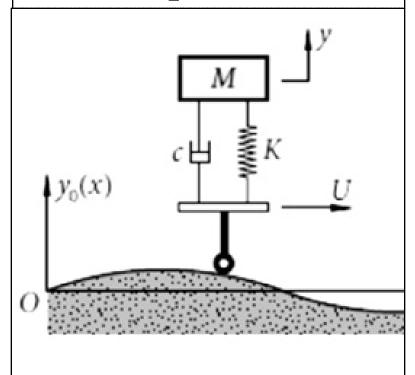


The applicable **differential equation** for e_0 is as follows.

$$\begin{vmatrix} e_0 = e_i - L\frac{di}{dt} - Ri; & \frac{de_0}{dt} = \frac{i}{C} \\ e_i = e_0 + LC\frac{d^2e_0}{dt^2} + RC\frac{de_0}{dt} \end{vmatrix}$$

Bicycle Suspension System

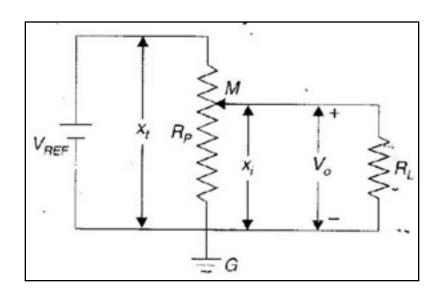
Model a suspension system of a bi-cycle to characterize the effect of road bumps.



Inertia: $M\ddot{y}$; Spring: $k(y-y_0)$ Damper: $c(\dot{y}-\dot{y}_0)$; $\sum F = 0$ $M\ddot{y}+c(\dot{y}-\dot{y}_0)+k(y-y_0)=0$ $M\ddot{y}+c\dot{y}+ky=c\dot{y}_0+ky_0$ $y_0 \rightarrow \text{Road Bump Profile}$

Potentiometric Sensor System

Model a potentiometer that measures linear displacement across an electrical load.



$$\overline{x}_{i} = \frac{x_{i}}{x_{t}}; \quad \overline{R}_{p} = \frac{R_{p}}{R_{L}}; \quad R_{i} = \overline{x}_{i}R_{p}$$

$$R_{eq} = R_{i} \parallel R_{L} = \frac{\overline{R}_{p}\overline{x}_{i}}{\left[1 + \overline{x}_{i}\overline{R}_{p}\right]}R_{L}$$

$$V_{o} = \frac{V_{REF}R_{eq}}{R_{eq} + R_{p}\left(1 - \overline{x}_{i}\right)} = K\left(\overline{x}_{i}\right)\overline{x}_{i}$$

$$K\left(\overline{x}_{i}\right) = \left[\frac{V_{REF}}{1 + \left(\overline{R}_{p}\overline{x}_{i}\right)\left(1 - \overline{x}_{i}\right)}\right]$$

$$K\left(\overline{x}_{i}\right) \rightarrow \text{Calibration Constant}$$



Summary

Mathematical models of dynamical systems are in the form of differential equations.

First Principles based **modelling** needs disciplinary knowledge as well as **assumptions** regarding the process.

Mathematical models of engineering systems involve assembly of idealized elements corresponding to the participating physical concepts / processes.