

# Lecture #20 (Last!!)

Recall:

① Any vector field:  $\underline{x} \mapsto T_{\underline{x}} \underline{x}$

② Affine control system:  $\dot{\underline{x}} = \underbrace{f(\underline{x})}_{\text{Drift vec.-field}} + \sum_{i=1}^m g_i(\underline{x}) u_i$ ,  $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $u_i \in \mathbb{R}$

spl. case:

Drift-free:

$$\boxed{\dot{\underline{x}} = \sum_{i=1}^m g_i(\underline{x}) u_i}$$

- - - (\*)

$$m < n \\ \underline{x} \in X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

③  $\Delta(\underline{x}) := \text{span} \{g_1, \dots, g_m\}(\underline{x}) \quad \underline{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m$

Distribution

④  $\Delta$  thus constructed, may not be involutuve  
(Lec.#17, p.14,  
 $\Delta$  is closed under  
Lie bracketing)

→ If  $\Delta$  not involutive, start adding new vec. fields by "bracketing", "bracket-of-bracketing" etc. till we reach involutive closure

$$(i.e.) \quad \Delta_1 = \Delta := \text{span}\{g_1, \dots, g_m\}$$

$$\Delta_2 = \Delta_1 \cup \underset{\text{span}}{\{\text{Brackets}\}}$$

$$\Delta_3 = \Delta_2 \cup \text{span}\{\text{Bracket-of-Brackets}\}$$

etc.

⋮

Nested sequence of distributions = "filtration"

→ Keep doing until:  $\dim(\Delta_{K+1}) = \dim(\Delta_K)$

"No new dir" being generated by Lie bracket"

(reached involutive closure).

→ Smallest such  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we stop there  
( $\dim(\Delta_{k+1}) = \dim(\Delta_k)$ )

is called "degree - of - nonholonomy".

⇒ Control System is called

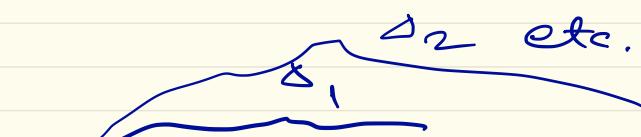
→ Completely non-holonomic when  $\dim(\Delta_k) = n$

→ partially " when  $m < \dim(\Delta_k) < n$

→ holonomic when  $\dim(\Delta_k) = m$

⇒ Lie Algebra:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lie}\{g_1, \dots, g_m\} &:= \text{span}\{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_m, [g_i, g_j] \\ &= \text{span}(\Delta_k) \end{aligned}$$



$\rightarrow \text{Lie}\{g_1, \dots, g_m\}(x) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Symbol for Lie algebra} \\ \text{at } \underline{x} \in X \end{array} \right.$

Rashevsky-Chow Thm. (Controllability Theorem)

Consider  $\dot{\underline{x}} = \sum_{i=1}^m g_i(\underline{x}) u_i, \quad \underline{x} \in X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $\underline{u} \in U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m \quad m < n$

(i)  $X$  is connected

(ii) [Bracket-generating cond/  
 Hörmander cond/  
 Lie Algebra Rank cond]

$$\text{Lie}\{g_1, \dots, g_m\}(x) = T_x X \quad \forall x \in X$$

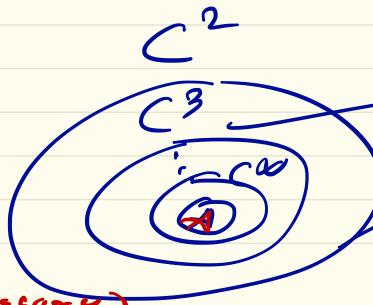


Controllable

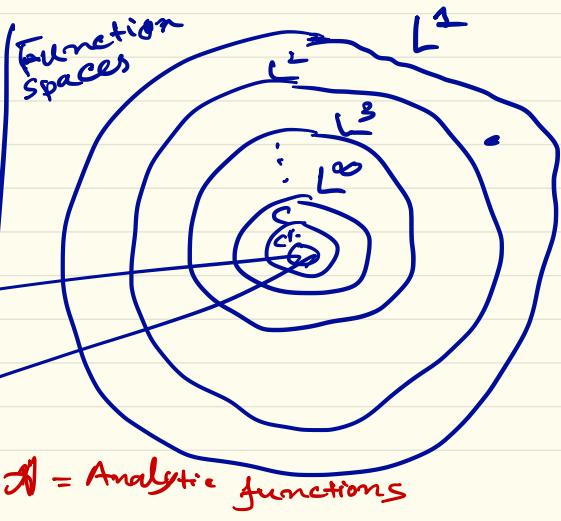
If  $g_i \in C^\infty$ ,

then  $\downarrow$

(Buff-cond: not necessary)



$g_i(x)$  are  
 analytic  $\forall i=1, \dots, m$



Example : HW #1 (p1(e)) Wheeled Mobile Robot /  
Dubins' Car

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V \cos \theta \\ V \sin \theta \\ \omega \end{pmatrix},$$

$$V := \tilde{v} = r\omega^+$$

$$\omega := \frac{r}{l} \tan \tilde{\phi} = \frac{r}{l}\omega^-$$

$\mathcal{X} = \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^2 \times S^1}_{\text{connected}}$

(state space)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{g_1} V + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{g_2} \omega,$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} u_1 &= V \\ u_2 &= \omega \end{aligned}}$$

$$\underline{x} := \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

states

3 states  
2 controls

$$\begin{aligned} T_x (\mathbb{R}^2 \times S^1) &= \underbrace{T_x \mathbb{R}^2}_{} \times \underbrace{T_x S^1}_{} \\ &= \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^3 \end{aligned}$$

Controls

$$\begin{aligned}
 [g_1, g_2] &= \text{ad}_{g_1} g_2 = \text{Jac}(g_2) g_1 - \text{Jac}(g_1) g_2 \\
 &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Lie Bracket}} g_1 - \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\sin\theta \\ 0 & 0 & \cos\theta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Jac matrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -\sin\theta \\ \cos\theta \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} +\sin\theta \\ -\cos\theta \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} g_1 & g_2 & \text{ad}_{g_1} g_2 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} \cos\theta & 0 & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & 0 & -\cos\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

rank (this matrix) = 3

$$\det [g_1 | g_2 | \text{ad}_{g_1} g_2] = \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1 \neq 0$$

$\forall x \in X$

$\therefore \text{Span} \{ g_1, g_2, \text{ad}g_1 g_2 \} = T_x \mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^3 \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$

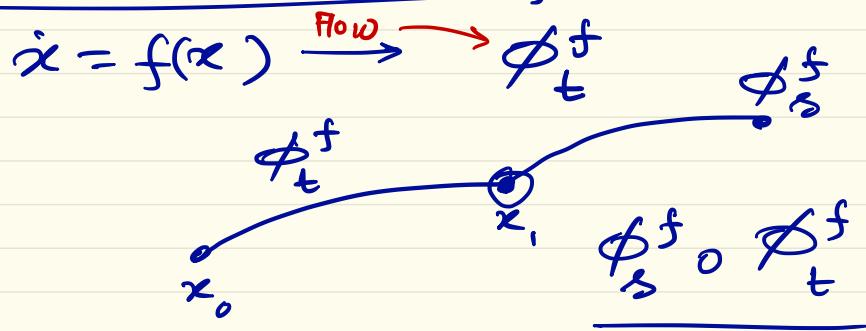
$\Leftrightarrow \dim(\{g_1, g_2, \text{ad}g_1 g_2\}) = 3 \Leftrightarrow \text{Controllable}$

deg. of non-holonomy ( $k$ ) = 2

$$\dim(A_2) = 3$$

(non-holonomic control systems)

Interpreting Lie Brackets as a measure of non-connectivity of flows:



Flows under same dynamics always commute

$$= \phi_{s+t}^f = \phi_t^f \circ \phi_s^f$$

For different dynamics, flows don't commute in general

$$\phi_t^f \circ \phi_t^g \neq \phi_t^g \circ \phi_t^f \quad \forall t$$

(in general)

In fact: (result)

$$\phi_t^f \circ \phi_t^g = \phi_t^g \circ \phi_t^f \quad \forall t$$

if and only if  $\underbrace{[f, g]}_{\text{ad}_f^{-1} g} = 0$ .

Also, in general,  
Flow of the Lie bracketed vector field

Infinitesimal primitives

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_t^{[g_1, g_2]} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \phi_{\frac{-g_2}{\sqrt{t_n}}} \circ \phi_{\frac{-g_1}{\sqrt{t_n}}} \circ \phi_{\frac{g_2}{\sqrt{t_n}}} \circ \phi_{\frac{g_1}{\sqrt{t_n}}} \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} \left( \phi_{\frac{-g_2}{\sqrt{t}}} \circ \phi_{\frac{-g_1}{\sqrt{t}}} \circ \phi_{\frac{g_2}{\sqrt{t}}} \circ \phi_{\frac{g_1}{\sqrt{t}}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For } m = 2, \quad \dot{\underline{x}} = g_1(\underline{x}) u_1 + g_2(\underline{x}) u_2$$

the control

$$(u_1, u_2) = \begin{cases} (1, 0) & \forall t \in [0, h) \\ (0, 1) & \forall t \in [h, 2h) \\ (-1, 0) & \forall t \in [2h, 3h) \\ (0, -1) & \forall t \in [3h, 4h) \end{cases}$$

generates the motion:

$$\underline{x}(4h) = \underline{x}(0) + h^2 [g_1, g_2](\underline{x}) + O(h^3)$$

Prof.:  $\underline{x}(h) = \underline{x}(0) + h \dot{\underline{x}}(0) + \frac{1}{2} h^2 \ddot{\underline{x}}(0) + \dots$

Taylor series

$$= \underline{x}(0) + h g_1(\underline{x}_0) + \frac{1}{2} h^2 \left. \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial \underline{x}} \right|_{\underline{x}=\underline{x}_0} g_1(\underline{x}_0) + \dots$$

Similarly,

$$\underline{x}(2h) = \underline{x}(h) + h g_2(\underline{x}(h)) + \frac{1}{2} h^2 \left. \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial \underline{x}} \right|_{\substack{\underline{x}=\underline{x}_0 \\ \underline{x}=\underline{x}(h)}} g_2(\underline{x}(h)),$$

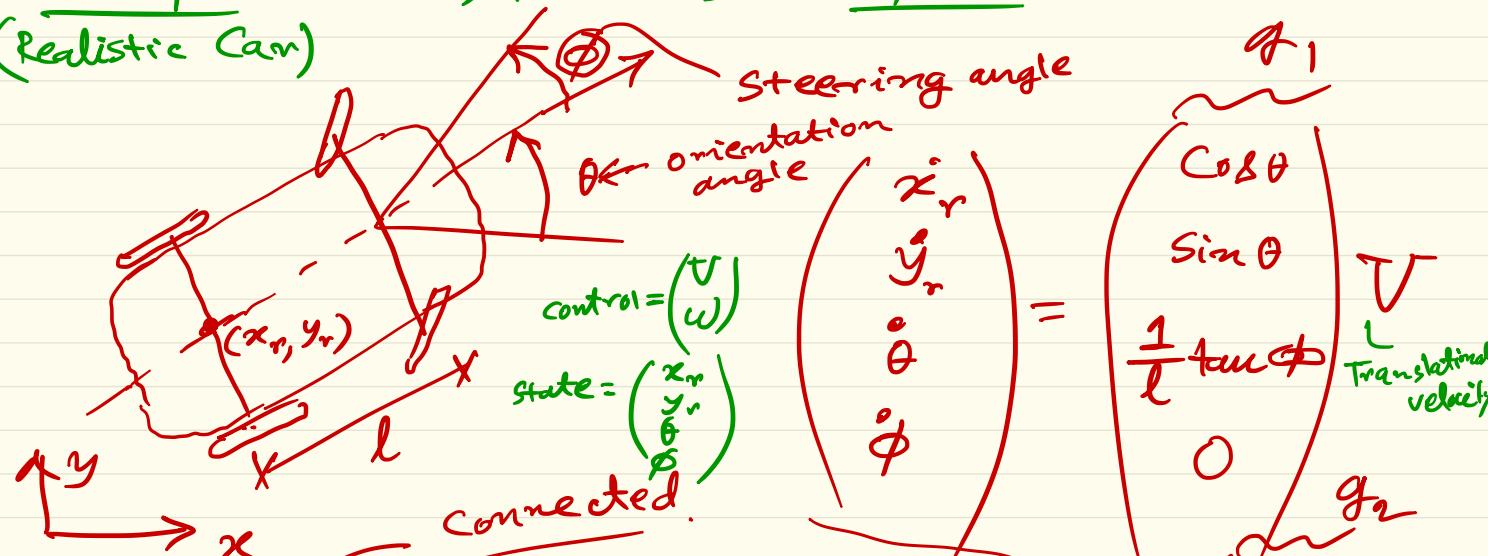
$$\underline{x}(3h) = \dots$$

$$x(t+h) = x_0 + h^2 \left( \underbrace{\frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x} g_1 - \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x} g_2}_{[g_1, g_2]} \right) + O(h^3)$$

(Proved)

Example : HW1, p1(a,b,c)  $\rightarrow \dot{\phi} = \omega$ .

(Realistic Car)



state space :  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^2 \times S^1 \times S^1 \setminus \{\pi/2\} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \omega$

$T_x \mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^4$

Steering angle's ans. vel..

$g_1 \equiv \text{Drive}$

$g_2 \equiv \text{Steer}$

$$[g_1, g_2] = \text{ad } g_1 g_2$$

$$= \text{Jac}(g_1) g_2 - \text{Jac}(g_2) g_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{l} \sec^2\phi \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{4 \times 4 g_1}$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{l} \sec^2\phi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Rotate}} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{only 3rd component} \\ \text{non-zero} \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \text{Rotate} = [\text{Steer}, \text{Drive}]$$

Drive Tight parking  
Restrictions: No forward space

Steer : Front wheel against curb.

Rotate : Other cars <sup>don't</sup> give enough radius to rotate

$$\underbrace{[g_1, [g_2, g_1]]}_{\text{ad } g_1 \text{ ad } g_2} = [\text{Drive}, [\text{Steer}, \text{Drive}]] \\ = [\text{Drive}, \text{Rotate}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left( \begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{l} \sec^2 \phi \sin \theta \\ -\frac{1}{l} \sec^2 \phi \cos \theta \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right) \\ &\quad \text{Only first two components non-zero} \end{aligned}$$

= Displacement  $\perp^n$  + car 

Discrete seq: (corresponding to sliding)

Steer  $\rightarrow$  Drive  $\rightarrow$  Steer back  $\rightarrow$  Drive  $\rightarrow$  Steer  $\rightarrow$  Drive back



NOTICE . reverse steer in middle !!  
not intuitive at all

Parking Thm. . One can get out of any parking lot larger than the size of car.

Proof Show that the matrix

$$\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} g_1 & | & g_2 & | & \underbrace{\text{adj}_{g_2} g_1}_{\begin{bmatrix} g_2, g_1 \end{bmatrix}} & | & \underbrace{\text{adj}_1 \text{adj}_{g_2} g_1}_{\begin{bmatrix} g_1, [g_2, g_1] \end{bmatrix}} \end{bmatrix} = 4 \quad (\text{compute the } 4 \times 4 \text{ determinant})$$

Linear System Controllability

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu = Ax + \sum_{i=1}^m b_i u_i, \quad B = [b_1 | b_2 | \dots | b_m]$$

↳ controllability  
rank cond:

$$\text{rank}(B | AB | A^2B | \dots | A^{n-1}B) = n$$

Linearized System Controllability

Linearize

$$\dot{x} = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m g_i(x) u$$

linearize  
around

$$\dot{\tilde{z}} = \tilde{A} z + \tilde{B} v$$

linearize  
around

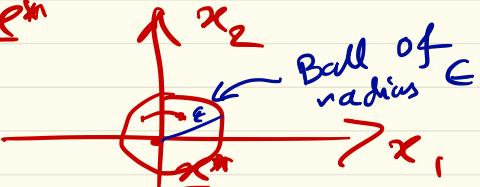
$$x = x^* \\ f(x^*) = 0$$

If linearized system is controllable  
then nonlin. system is LOCALLY

controllable around  $\tilde{x}^*$

(Suff. cond)  
NOT necessary

In other words,  
when the linearized system  
is NOT controllable, then it is still possible  
that the original non-linear system is controllable!



Exercise Dubin's Car linearize around  $\underline{x} = 0$

Linearized rank =  $2 < 3$

But we showed that Dubin's car is nonlinearly controllable EVERYWHERE! (Globally)

So nonlinear controllability is much stronger concept than linear or linearized controllability