



Why study aircraft control systems?



# Brief history



- Frequency domain methods
- 2 Sputnik and IFAC Moscow 1960
- Kalman and state space methods
- Digital control systems
- Nonlinear control, adaptive control, and the X-15



# F-16 "Fighting Falcon"

- Dynamics of this aircraft are well documented and understood
- Popular aircraft within the controls research community
- First use of a relaxed static stability/fly-by-wire flight control system

### Design challenge:

Design a flight control system that achieves and maintains longitudinal/lateral performance goals





### Nonlinear F-16 Aircraft Model

Developed by Dr. Gary Balas et al.

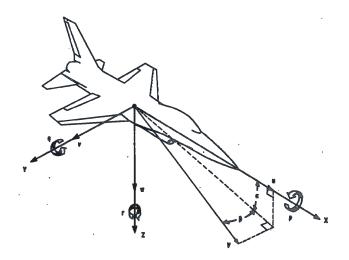
### What is included:

- runF16Sim.m
- FindF16Dynamics.m
- trim\_F16.m
- nlplant.c
- F16Block.slx





# Equations of Motion

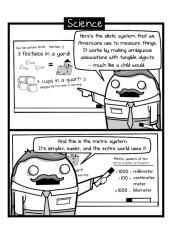




### States

Units							
State	Passed to nlplant	Used by nlplant	Passed from nlplant				
npos	ft	ft	ft				
epos	ft	ft	ft				
h	ft	ft	ft				
$\phi$	rad	rad	rad				
$_{V_t}^{\phi}$	ft/s	ft/s	ft/s				
α	rad	deg	rad				
β	rad	deg	rad				
p	rad/s	deg/s	rad/s				
q	rad/s	deg/s	rad/s				
r	rad/s	deg/s	rad/s				
anx	N/A	g	g				
any	N/A	g	g				
anz	N/A	g	g				
М	N/A	-	-				
$\bar{q}$	N/A	Ib/ft <sup>2</sup> Ib/ft <sup>2</sup>	Ib/ft <sup>2</sup> Ib/ft <sup>2</sup>				
$P_s$	N/A	Ib∕ft <sup>2</sup>	Ib/ft <sup>2</sup>				

The units of states used in the F-16 model





# Controls



		Units		
Control	Inputs	Used by nlplant	Min	Max
Thrust	lbs	lbs	1000	19000 lbs
Elevator	deg	deg	-25	25 deg
Aileron	deg	deg	-21.5	21.5 deg
Rudder	deg	deg	-30	30 deg
Leading Edge Flap	deg	ft/s	0	25 deg

The control input units and maximum values



# Leading Edge Flaps



# High fidelity model

■ Without leading edge

$$\dot{\mathbf{v}} = 0.0001h - 3.17\theta$$
$$- 0.0131\mathbf{v} - 10.2070\alpha$$
$$- 0.1337\beta - 1.5837q$$

■ With leading edge

$$\dot{\mathbf{v}} = 0.0001h - 3.17\theta - 0.0133\mathbf{v} + 4.837\alpha - 0.4401\beta - 0.707q$$

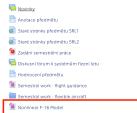


### Installation

#### A3M35SRL - Systémy řízení letu, Control systems for aircraft and spacecraft

The course is devoted to classical and modern control design techniques for autopilots and flight control systems Particular levels are discussed, starting with the dampers attitude angle stabilizers, to guidance and navigation systems. Next to the design itself, important aspects of aircraft modelling, both as a rigid body and considering flexibility of the structure, are discussed.

Výsledek studentské ankety předmětu je zde: A3M35SRL



Nonlinear F-16 model for the semester project. Includes all necessary files. MATLAB requires a mex computer to run niplant.c.

Test your mex compiler by typing the following into the MATLAB command window:

mex-setup



### mex setup

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>> mex -setup MEX configured to use 'Xcode with Clang' for C language compilation. Warning: The MATLAB C and Fortran API has changed to support MATLAB variables with more than 2^32-1 elements. You will be required to update your code to utilize the new API. You can find more information about this at: http://www.mathworks.com/help/matlab/matlab_external/upgrading-mex-files-to-use-64-bit-api.html
```

To choose a different language, select one from the following: mex -setup C++ mex -setup FORTRAN



#### runF16Sim.m

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>> cd F16sim.m
>> runF16Sim
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Which model would you like to use to trim the aircraft:

- 1. Low Fidelity F-16 Trim
- 2. High Fidelity F-16 Trim

Your Selection: 1

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Enter the altitude for the simulation (ft): 15000 Enter the velocity for the simulation (ft/s): 500 Would you like to create a disturbance on a surface (y/n): y Enter the elevator distrubance deflection (deg): 5 Enter the aileron distrubance deflection (deg): 1 Enter the rudder distrubance deflection (deg): 1
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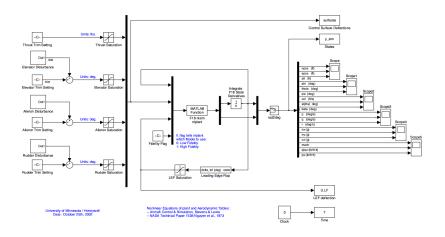


#### runF16Sim.m

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At what flight condition would you like to trim the F-16?
1. Steady Wings-Level Flight.
2. Steady Turning Flight.
3. Steady Pull-Up Flight.
4. Steady Roll Flight.
Your Selection: 1
Trim Values and Cost: cost = 2.2909e-29
thrust = 2120.6214 lb
elev = -2.4607 deg
ail = 2.9129e-16 deg
rud = 2.7966e-15 deg
alpha = 4.4655 deg
dLEF = 0 deg
Vel. = 500ft/s
Continue trim rountine iterations? (y/n): n
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### F16Block.slx





### Common issues

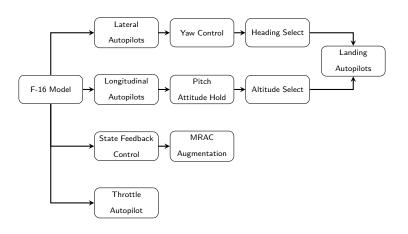
Error using runF16Sim (line 128)
Error due to multiple causes.
Caused by:
Error using runF16Sim (line 128)
Point lies out data grid (in getHyperCube) Error using runF16Sim (line 128)
Error evaluating MATLAB function in 'F16Block/F-16 Non-linear Plant/F16 nlsim nlplant'

Error using mex
No supported compiler or SDK was found. You can install the freely available MinGW-w64 C/C++ compiler; see
Install MinGW-w64 Compiler. For more options, visit
http://www.mathworks.com/support/compilers/R2016b/win64.html.

Error using feval
Undefined function 'nlplant' for input arguments of type 'double'.



# Semester Project





## Summary

- Why controls systems?
- Nonlinear F-16 model description
- Installation instructions
- Semester Project

### **Useful Links:**

- Course Moodle Page
- MATLAB Supported and Compatible Compilers
- F-16 Stall/Post Stall Characteristics
- F-16 Flight Testing Videos



Questions?

# Thank You!

