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Reading for this set of slides

- Craig – Intro to Robotics (3rd Edition)
  - Chapter 9.1 – 9.4

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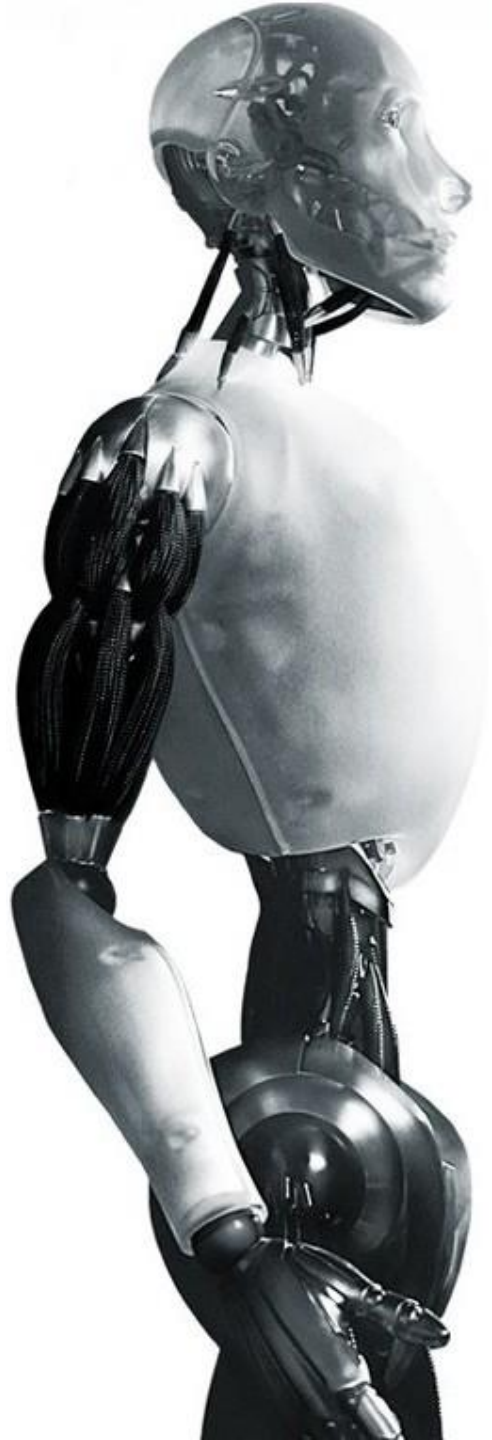

Robotics

First Steps in Control

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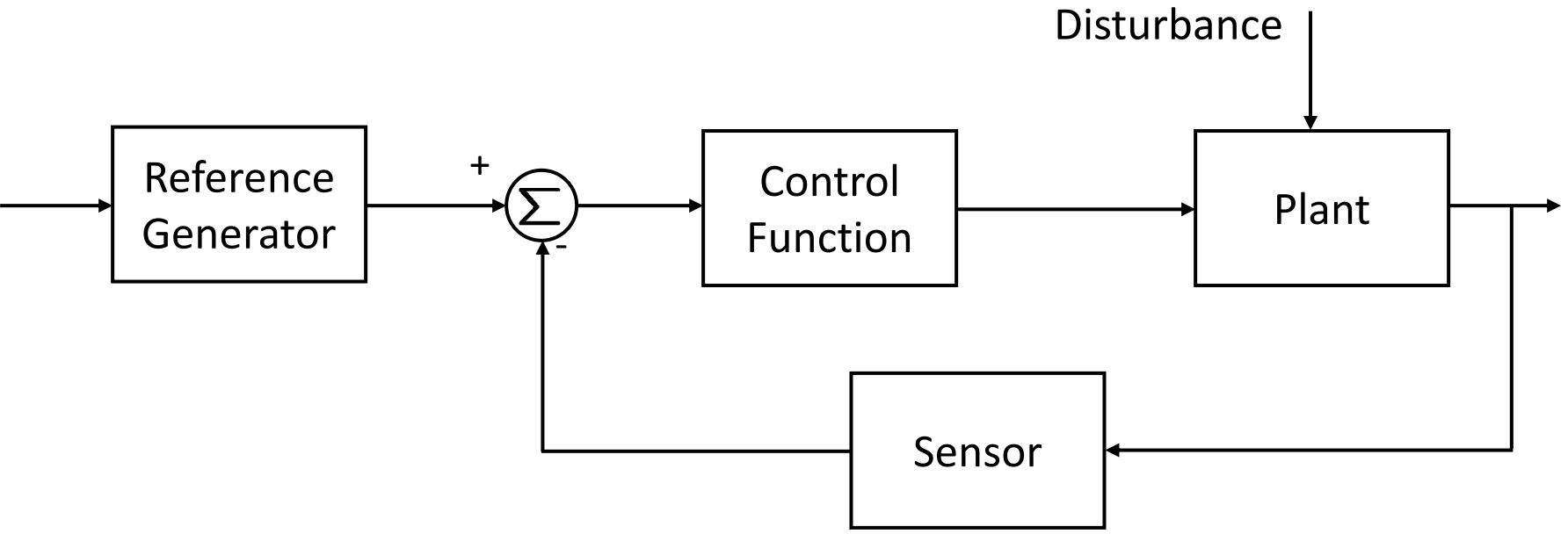
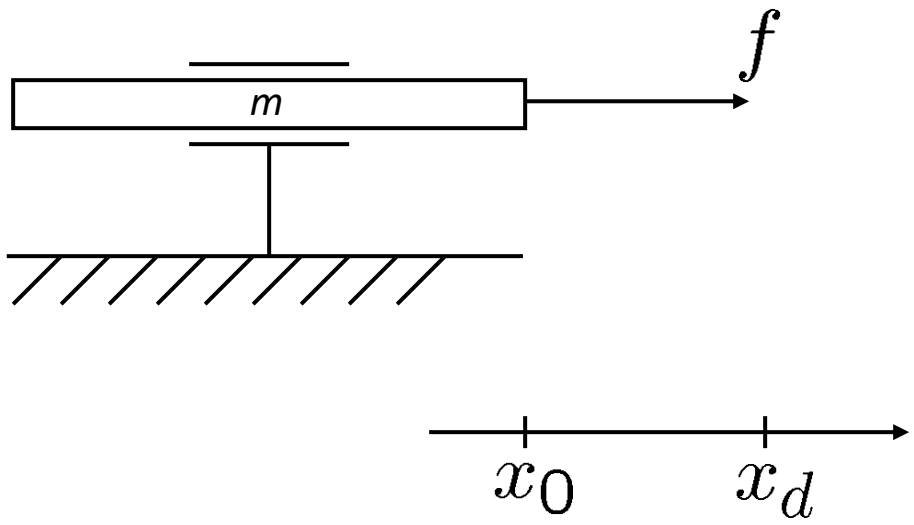
Control

- **Control** is the process of causing a *system variable* to conform to some desired value, called a *reference value*.



Simplest Case: Prismatic Joint



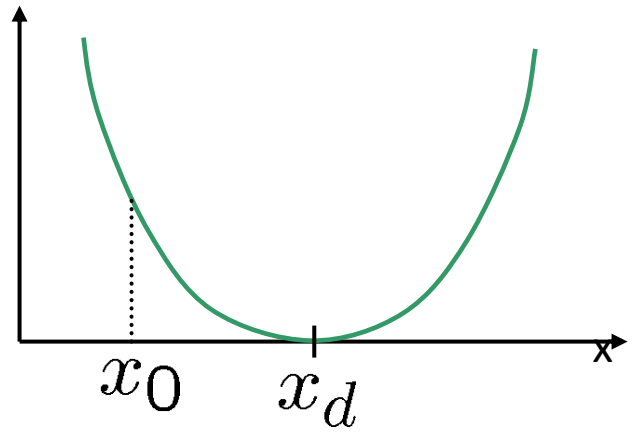
Proportional Control

Idea: apply force proportional to error

$$f = -k_p(x - x_d)$$

position gain

V(x)

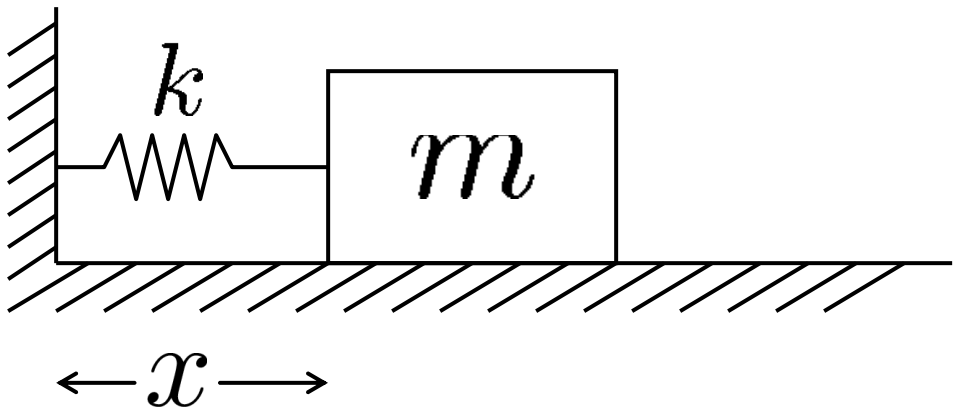


$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2}k_p(x - x_d)^2$$

$$\mathbf{F} = -\nabla V(x) = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$$

Let’s start simple…

Conservative System / Simple Harmonic Oscillator



$$f = -k\,x$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2}\,m\,\dot{x}^2$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2}\,k\,x^2$$

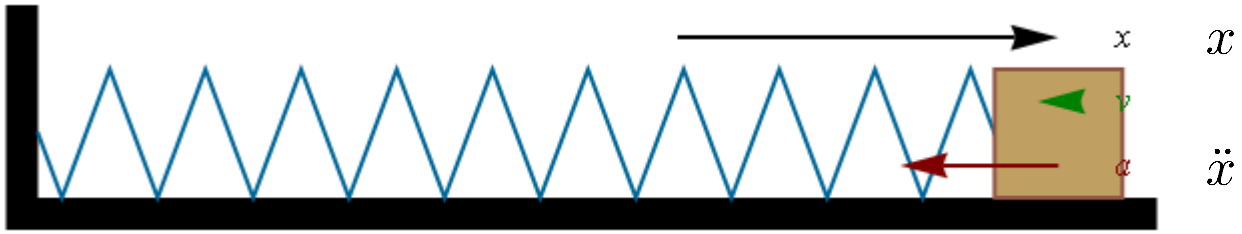
Forces are equal

$$f = m\ddot{x} = -kx$$

Equation of motion

$$m\ddot{x} + kx = 0$$

Harmonic Oscillator: Equation of Motion



$$m\ddot{x} + kx = 0$$

Introduction of Dissipation

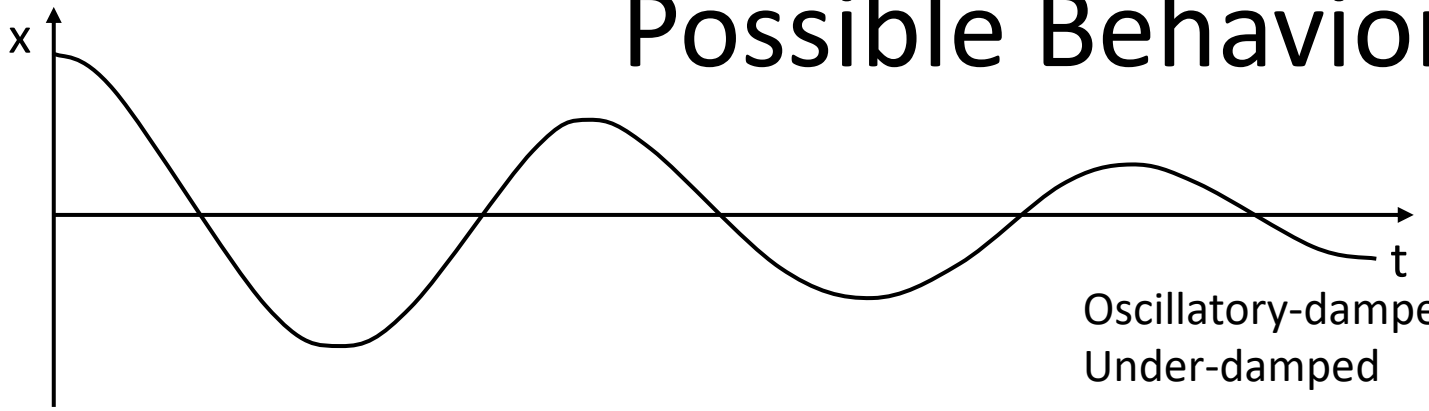
Idea: apply force opposing velocity

this leads to dissipation (or dampening)

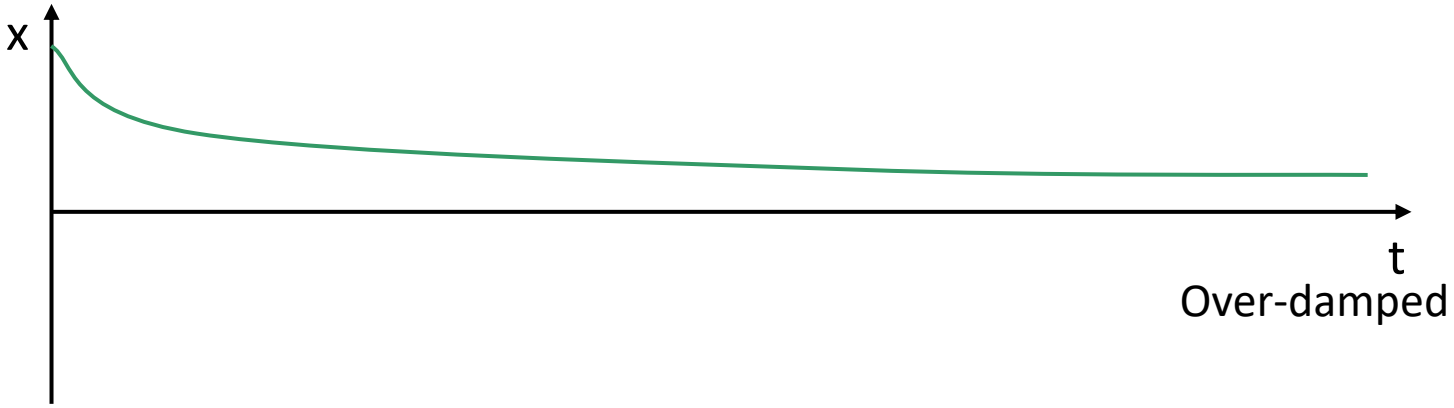
$$f = -k_p(x - x_d) - \boxed{k_v}\,\dot{x}$$

velocity gain

Possible Behaviors



Oscillatory-damped
Under-damped



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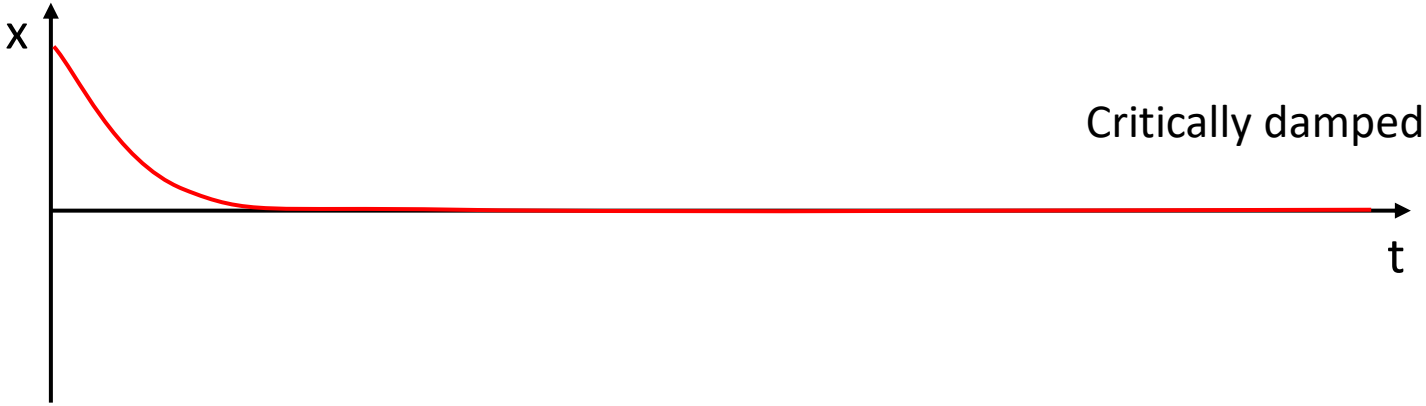
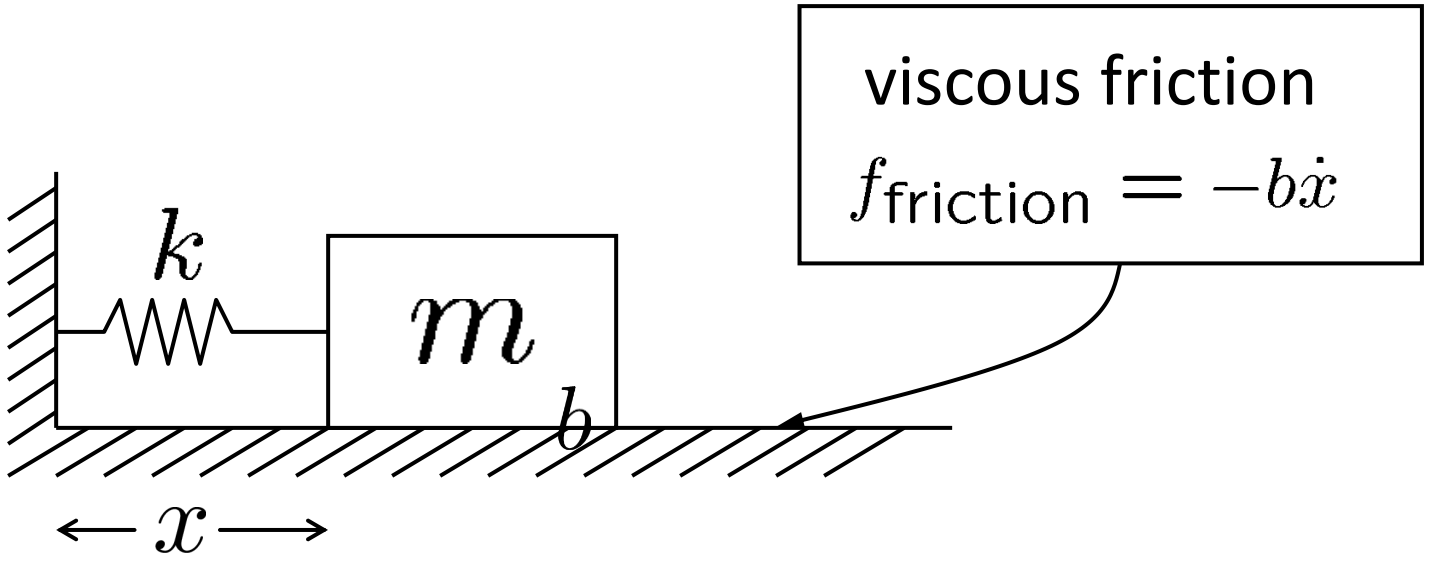


Critically damped

Dissipative System: Add Friction



Equation of motion

$$m\ddot{x} + b\dot{x} + kx = 0$$

PD Control: Adding an Actuator

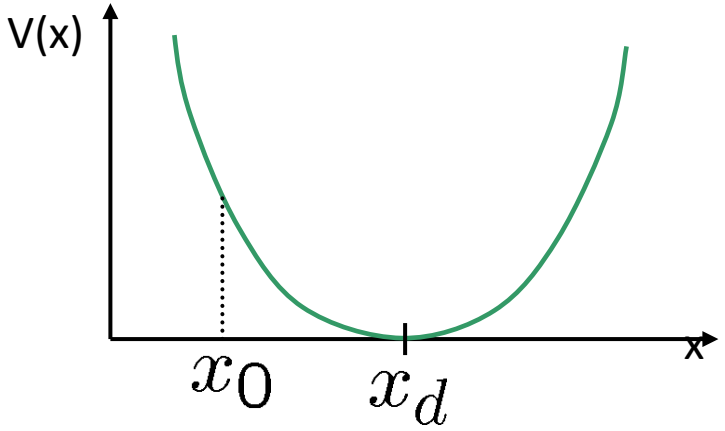
$$m\ddot{x} + b\dot{x} + kx = 0$$

$$f = m\ddot{x} + b\dot{x} + kx$$

$$f = -k_p\, x - k_v\, \dot{x}$$

$$\tau = -k_p(q_d - q) - k_v\, \dot{q}$$

Summary



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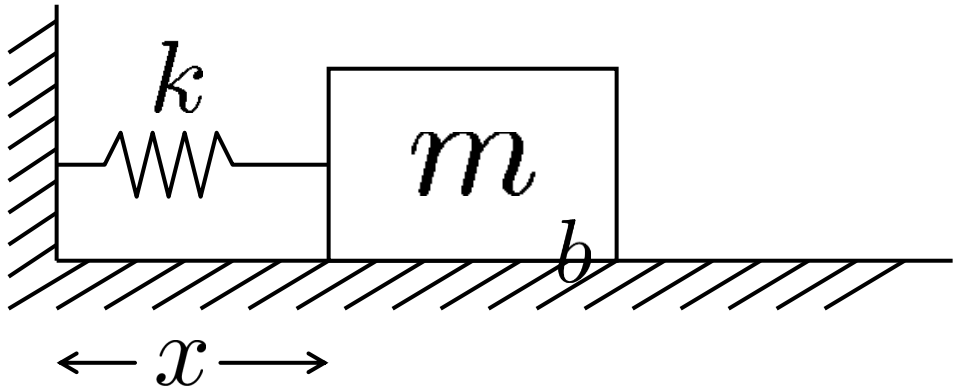

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