

# Overview

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- Last lecture: **basics of control theory, stability, proportional control and transfer function.**
- **Today:**
  - Proportional + Derivative + Integral Control
  - Matlab and Simulink
- **A basic tutorial** on control theory is available on the web: see <https://ctms.engin.umich.edu/CTMS/index.php?example=Introduction&section=ControlPID> on PID controllers.

# *Integral Control*

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- A system often has friction or changing workloads that we may not be able to model in advance:
  - In auto-cruise control, we cannot know how many passengers will be in the car
  - Frictions may change due to machine conditions
- Unmodeled heavy load often results in steady-state error, the system will settle near rather than at the set-point.

# *What Does Integral Control Do?*

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- Integral control adds up (integrates) the past errors and then gives a force that is proportional to the cumulative errors.
  - So if the marble gets stuck near a set-point due to some friction, the position error adds-up over time, eventually generate a force large enough to help get the marble going toward the set-point.
  - So if the car has a heavier load and the velocity settles on a speed lower than the set-point for a while, the error adds up and the integral control leads to increased throttle.

# *The Dark Side of Integral Control*

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- Integral control acts on cumulative errors. It takes a while to reach a large sum and it will take time to reduce the sum. Consider the following case:
  - the marble is stuck on the left side of the set-point
  - After 10 sec, the integral control is large enough to help get the marble moving toward the set-point
  - The integral will keep increasing until the marble crosses the origin
  - It will take a while to “wash out” the cumulative error.
- Overdose of integral control is a common source of overshoot, oscillations and even instability.

# Using Integral Control

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- As a rule of thumb, start from zero integral control and use it lightly!
- Check the eigenvalues of the system to make sure that all of them are sufficiently negative.
- $\ddot{X} = F/m$ , where  $F = -K_p x - K_d \dot{x} - K_i \int^* x dt$
- $s^2 + (K_d / m) s + K_p / m + (K_i / m) 1/s = 0$  ,  $\rightarrow$  Laplace transform of an integral is  $1/s$
- $s^3 + (K_d / m) s^2 + (K_p / m) s + K_i / m = 0$
- As we can see, the effect of integral is to add an order to the system. Large value of  $K_i$  could lead to positive eigenvalue.
- We can solve the equation to see if the real part of the eigenvalues are still negative. This is best done by using tools such as Matlab. A subject that we will overview in next lecture.

# *How to Tune a Simple PID Controller*

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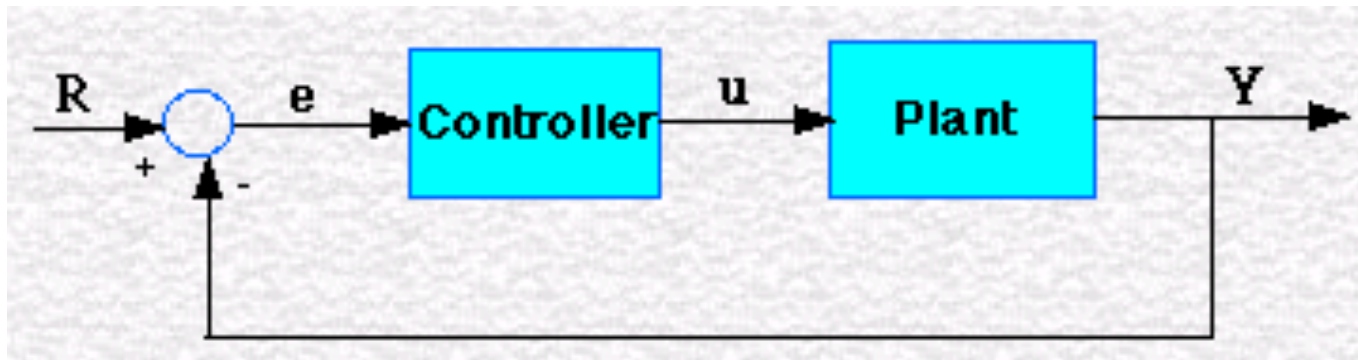
- Experimental tuning procedure
  - first set derivative gain and integral gain to zero.
  - Slowly increase the proportional gain until the device oscillates around the set point with a speed that is satisfactory. At this point,
    - the real part of the eigenvalue is \_\_\_\_\_
    - the imaginary part of the eigenvalue determines the \_\_\_\_\_ of oscillation
  - Slowly increase the derivative gain until the device settles down at the setpoint. At this point, the real part of the eigenvalue is \_\_\_\_\_
  - If there is steady-state error, slightly increase the integral gain until the steady state error is corrected and yet not causing serious oscillations. This means that
    - the real part of the eigenvalues is still \_\_\_\_\_.
- Fine tuning
  - If the motion movement towards setpoint is too slow, we can \_\_\_\_\_ the proportional gain or \_\_\_\_\_ derivative gain, don't play with integral gain!
  - If there is steady-state error, we can add a little of \_\_\_\_\_ gain
  - If the motion overshoots the setpoint and oscillates, we can \_\_\_\_\_ the derivative gain or reduce \_\_\_\_\_ gain and \_\_\_\_\_ gain

# *Transfer function of PID controller*

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- Quiz: what is the transfer function of PID controller?

$$u(t) = K_p e(t) + K_d \frac{d}{dt} e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$



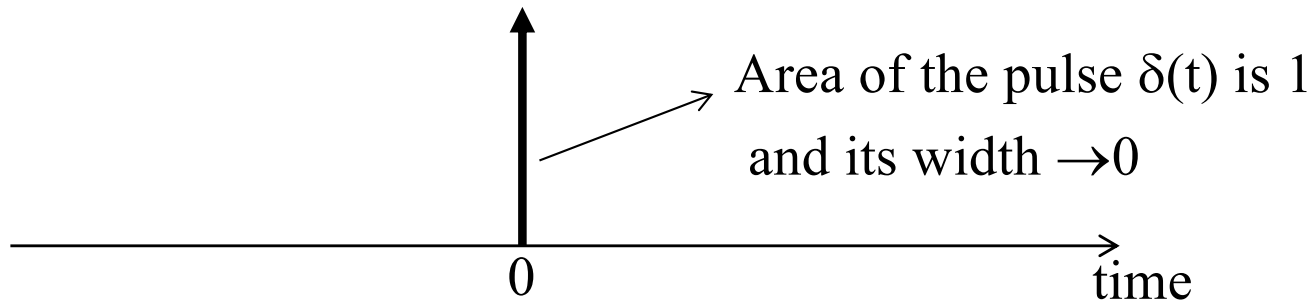
# Basic input signals

- Delta function:

$\delta(t)$

$\Leftrightarrow$

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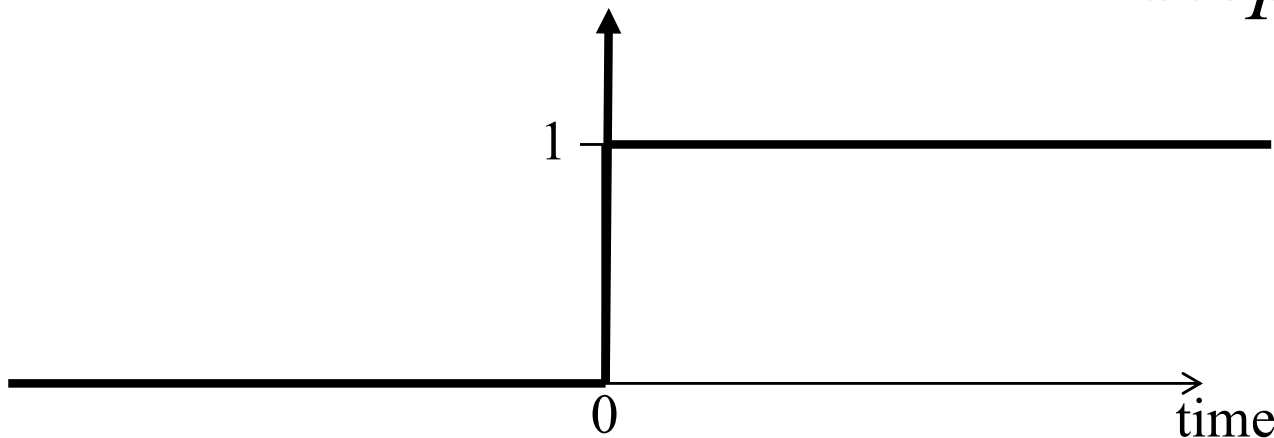
Laplace  
transform

- Step function:

$step(t)$

$\Leftrightarrow$

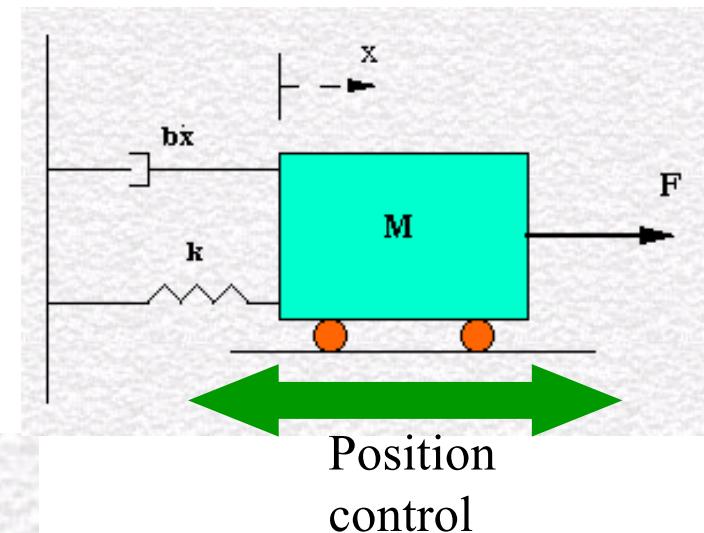
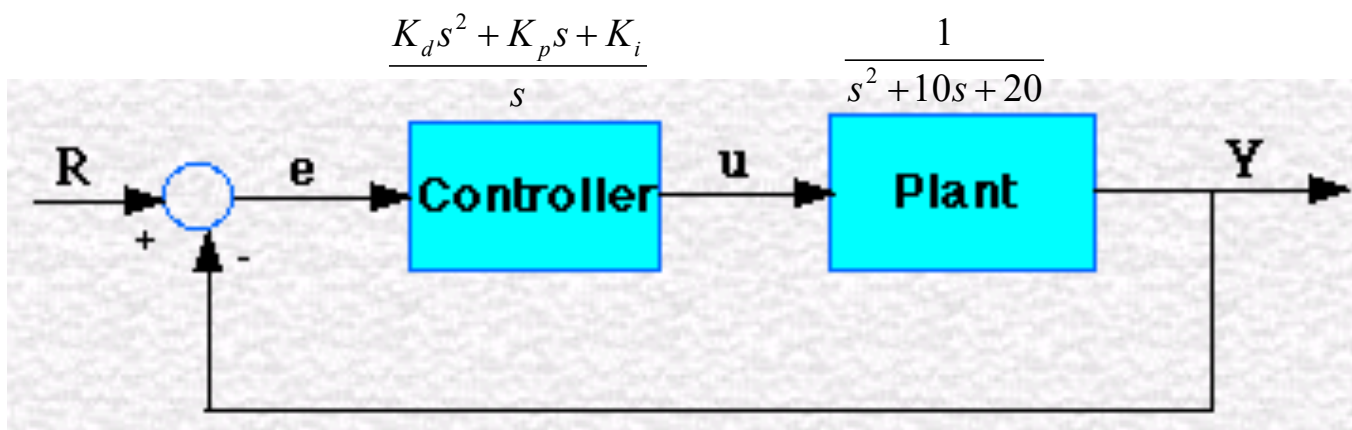
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# Class exercise

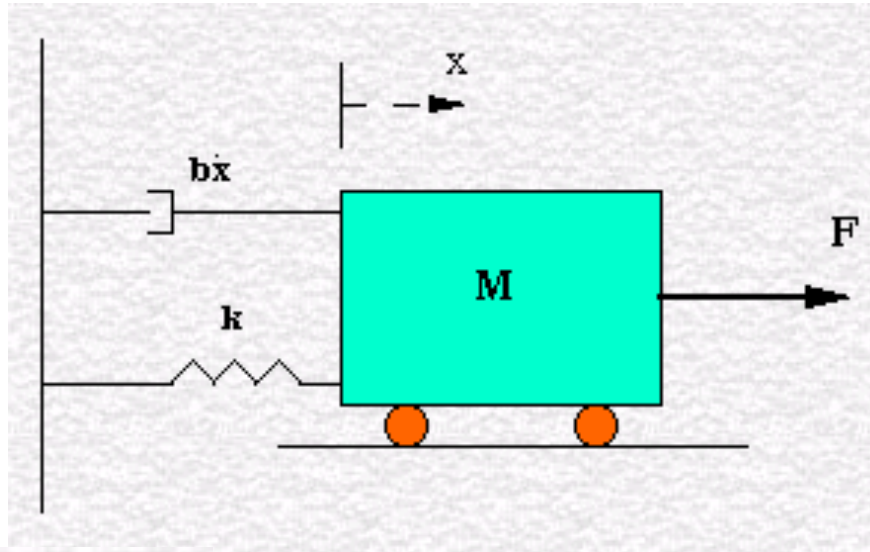
- Consider a physical system which has mass, spring, and damper
- We want to apply a position control; that is,  $r(t)$  will describe the trajectory to be followed by the mass.
- What is the transfer function of the closed-loop system?



# Example of mass, spring and damper problem

- Suppose to have a simple mass, spring, and damper problem.

Assume that  
motion's equation  
is given!

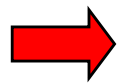


- $M = 1\text{ kg}$
- $b = 10\text{ N.s/m}$
- $k = 20\text{ N/m}$

$$M\ddot{x} + b\dot{x} + kx = F$$

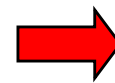
→  
Laplace  
transform

$$Ms^2X(s) + bsX(s) + kX(s) = F(s)$$



$$\frac{X(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{1}{Ms^2 + bs + k}$$

Transfer  
Function



$$\frac{X(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{1}{s^2 + 10s + 20}$$

• More details are available at  
<https://ctms.engin.umich.edu/CTMS/index.php?example=Introduction&section=ControlPID>

## *Tool: Matlab and Simulink*

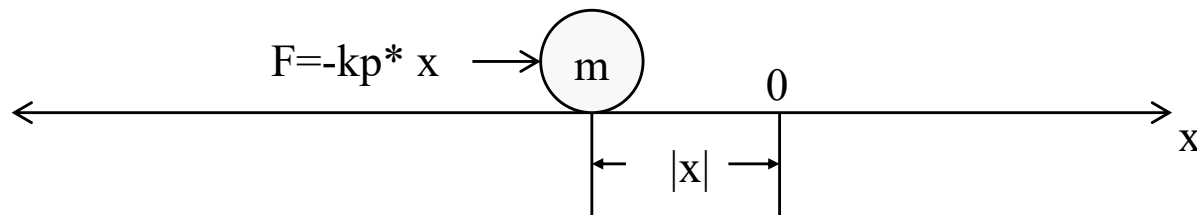
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- **A basic tutorial** on simulink is available as additional material: see **simulink\_quickstart.pdf**

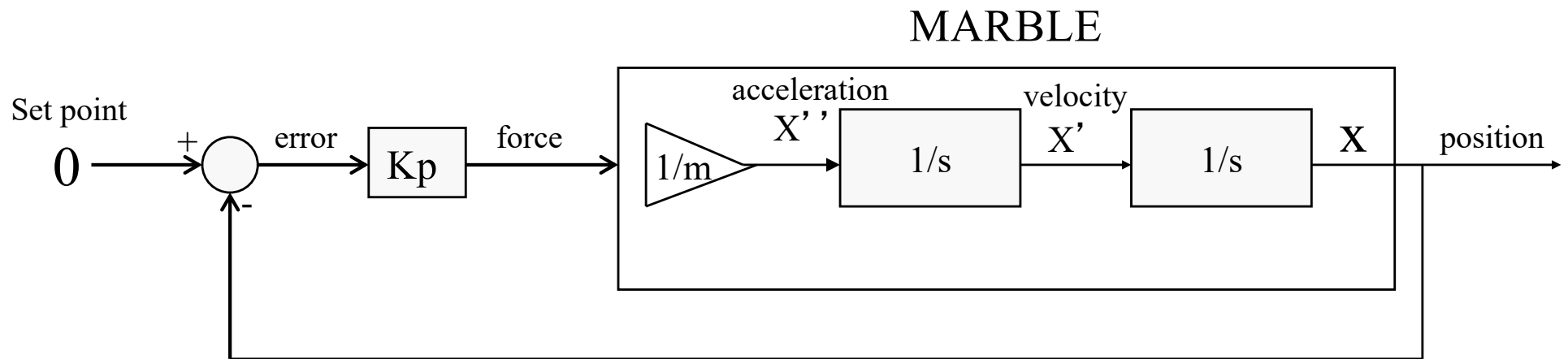
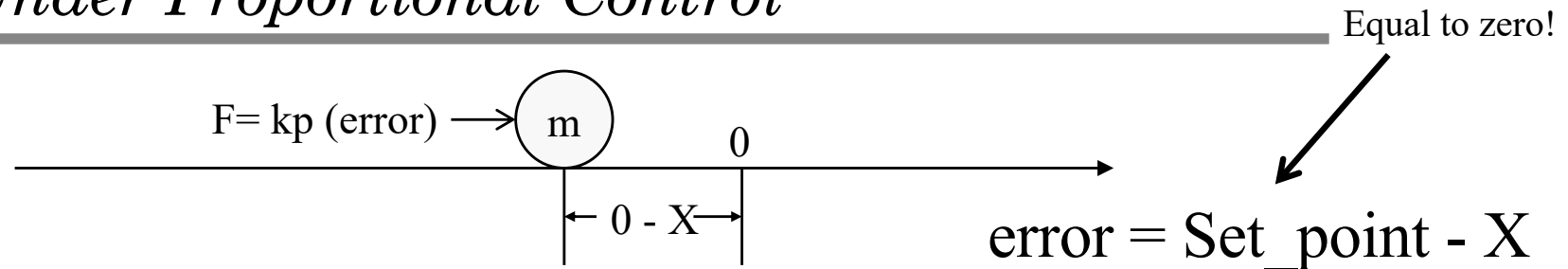
# *Simulate A Simple System with Proportional Control*

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- Consider a marble on a flat and perfectly leveled table again.
  - Any point can be an equilibrium point (just pick one)
  - Its motion can be described by Newton's law  $F = ma$ , or  $x'' = F/m$
  - suppose that we want to keep the marble at  $x = 0$ , by applying proportional control:  $F = -k_p x$ .
    - The feedback is negative since if the marble position error is negative, it pushes with a positive force and vice versa.
    - $K_p$  is a positive integer known as proportional control constant.



# Basic Simulation Diagram Concepts: Marble Under Proportional Control

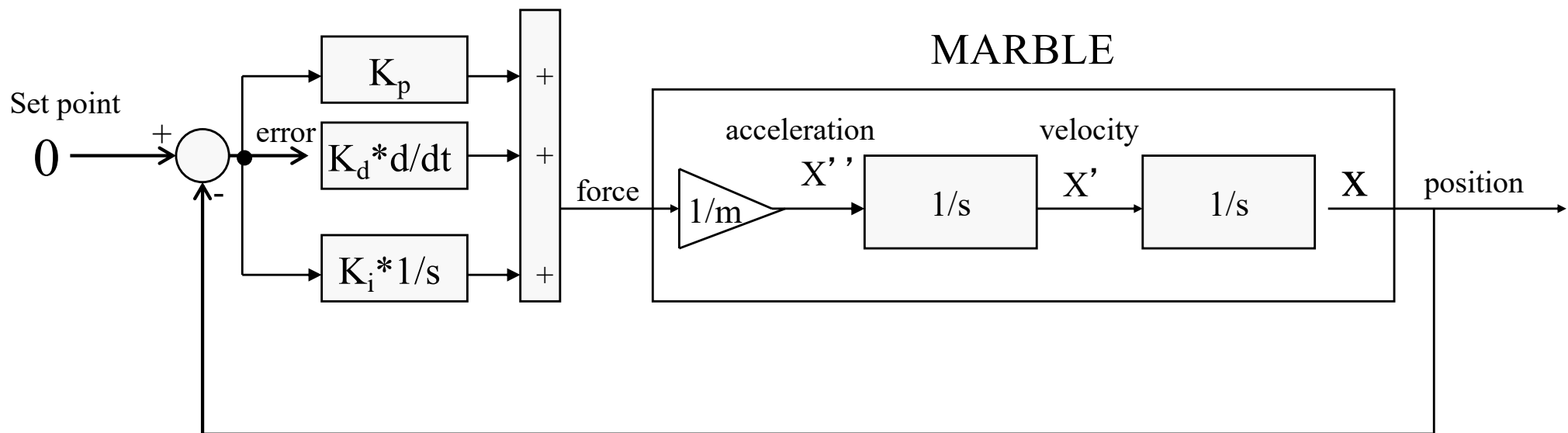


The double integrator with weight  $1/m$  transforms force to acceleration, acceleration to velocity, and then velocity to position

$1/s$  denotes integration (see Laplace transform of integral!)

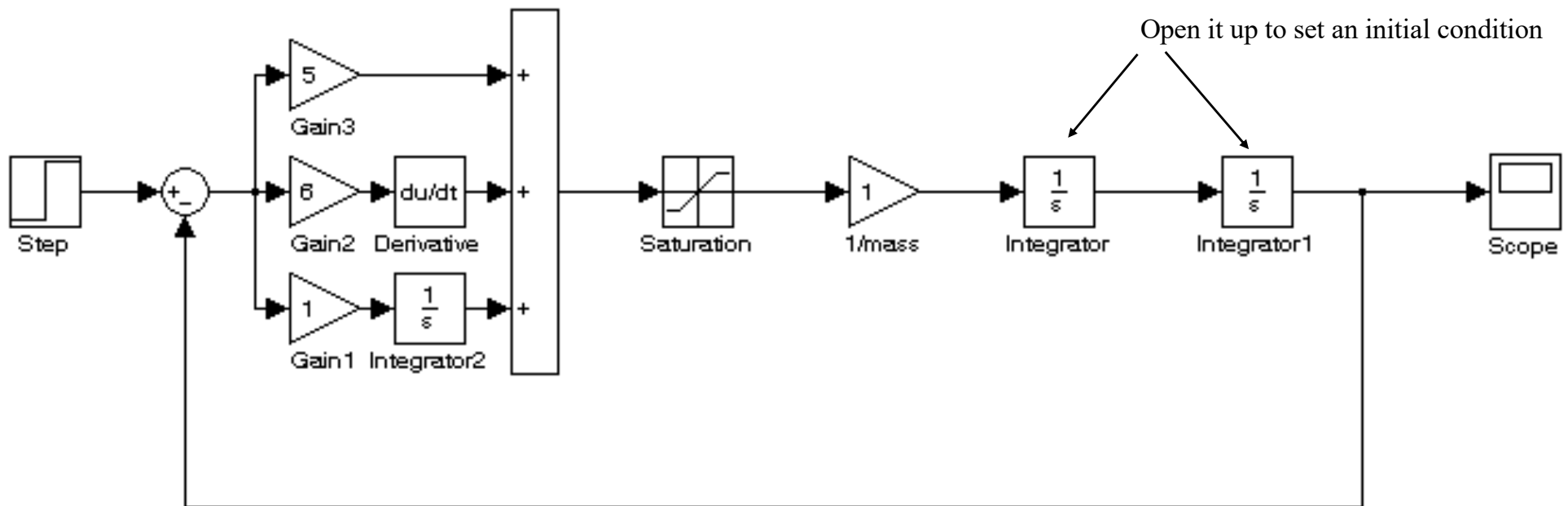
# Block diagram of Marble Control

Block diagram of Marble control: you can plot it with simulink and run simulations of the system!



•Quiz: What type of controller is this?

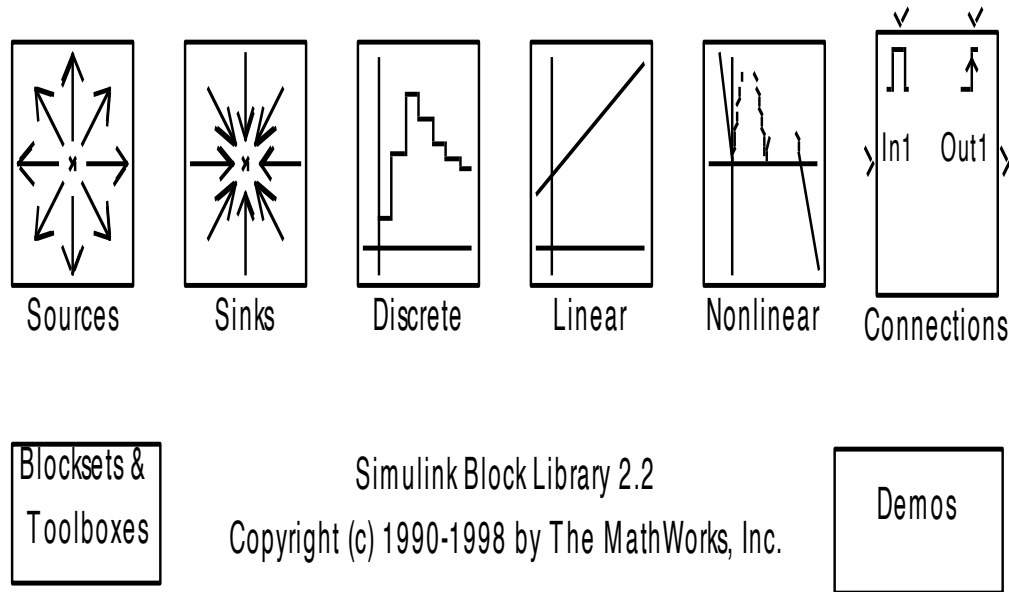
# Simulink Simulation Diagram



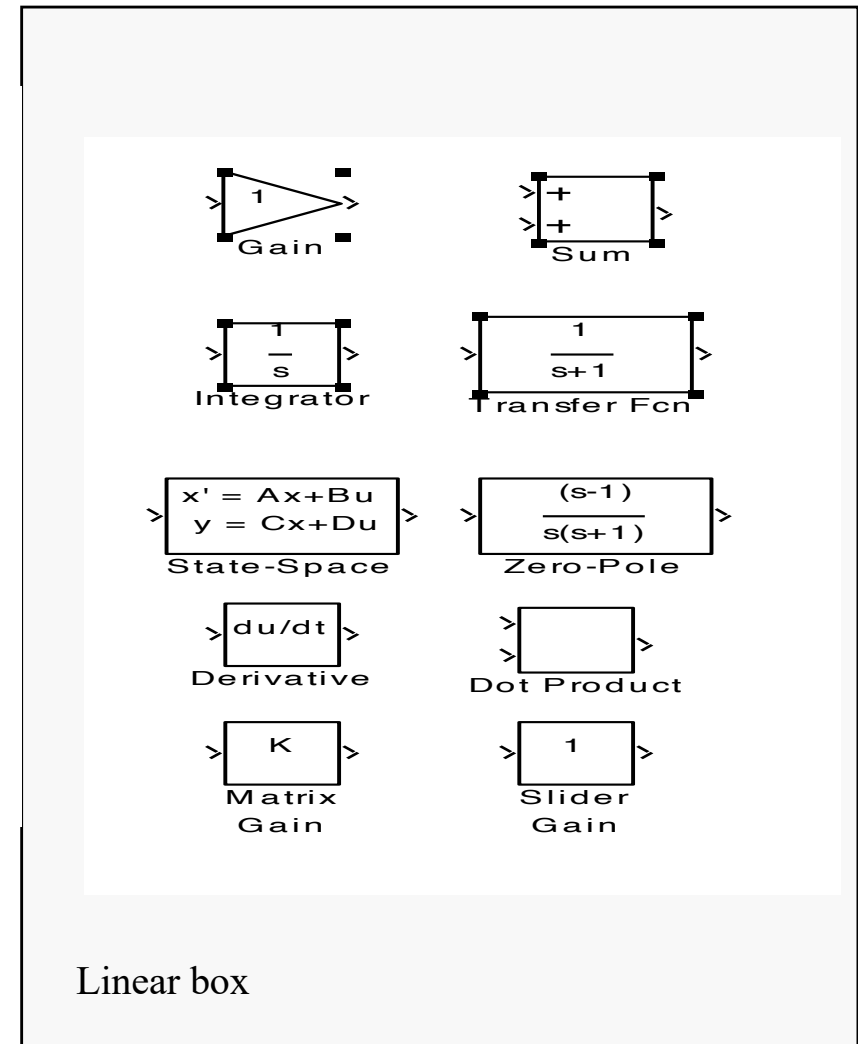
•Quiz: What are Gain1 Gain2 and Gain3 called?

# Matlab Simulink

- `>>simulink`



- Scope is in sink box
- saturation is in non-linear box etc
- double click to open a box and to set parameters
- **See Simulink Quick Start guide (simulink\_quickstart.pdf)**



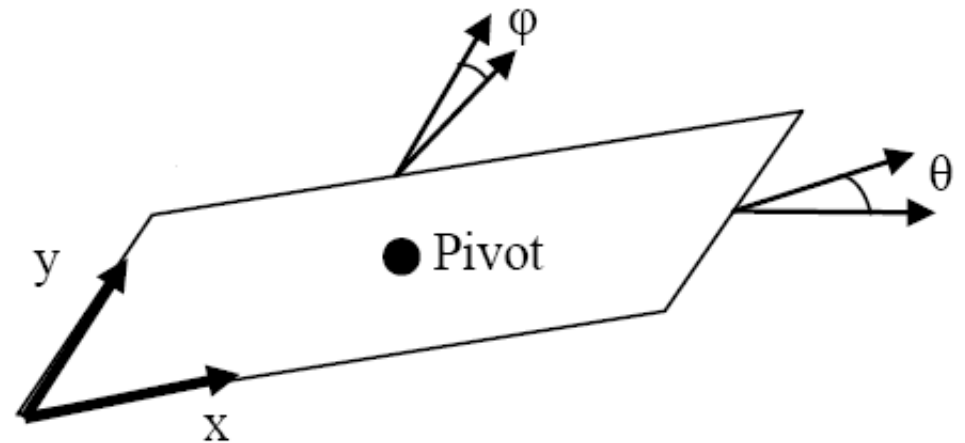


# *Modeling the amazing ball system (simplified)*

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How can we model the amazing ball system?

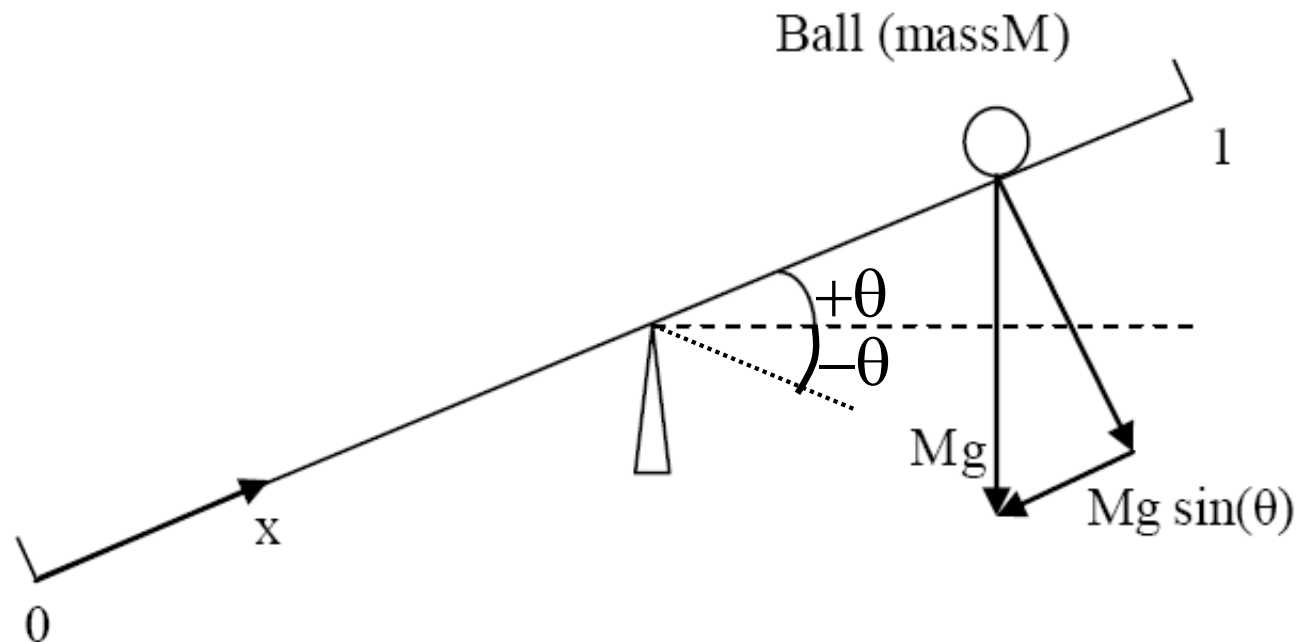
- Neglect friction and rolling effects → model amazing ball as inclined plane



# *Modeling the amazing ball system (simplified)*

It is easy to model the amazing ball system as inclined plane by using Newton's second law  $F=m*a$

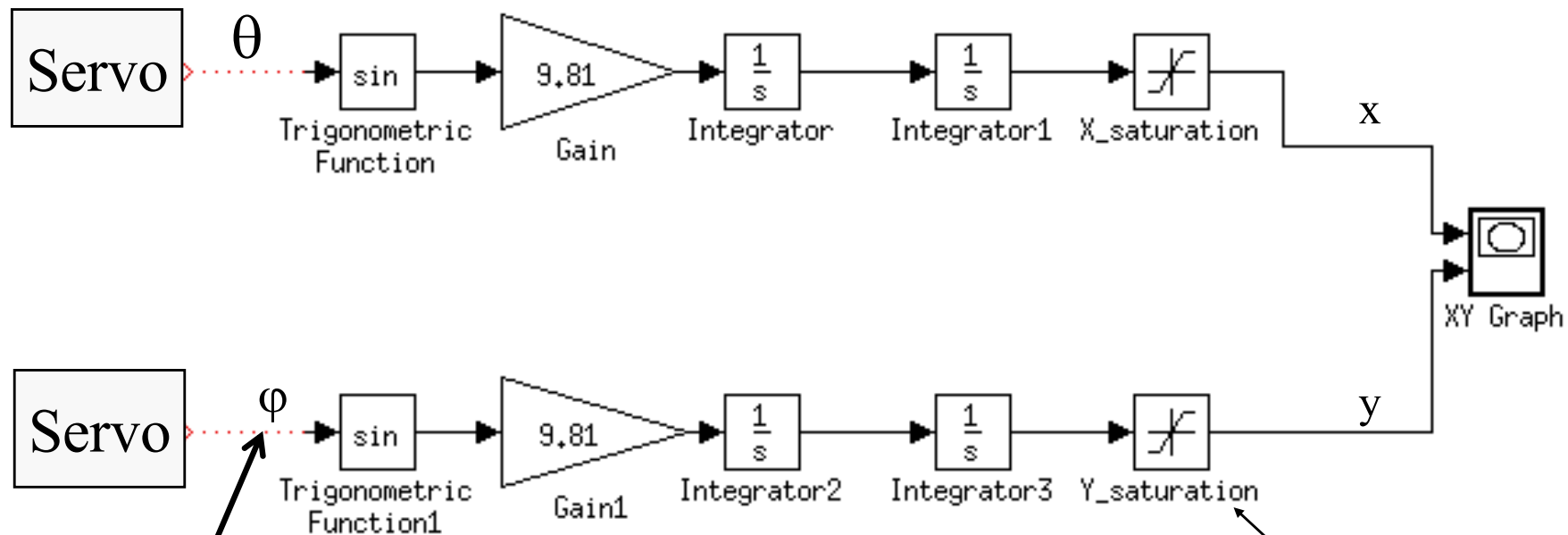
- control variable = angle of servo
- change of servo's angle  $\rightarrow$  affects the (parallel) component of weight force applied to ball
- $M*g*\sin(\theta)$   $\rightarrow$  parallel component of weight force applied to the ball  $\rightarrow$  acceleration  $x''$
- Integration of acceleration  $\rightarrow$  velocity  $x'$
- Integration of velocity  $\rightarrow$  position  $x$



1-Dimensional Free Body Diagram

# Matlab Simulink Model: amazing ball system

**Class exercise:** Where should we add the PID controller in this diagram?



**Control  
variable**

Note that the position has a limit due to the size of touch-screen that restricts the ball's movement.