

Exercise 2

TTK4130 Modeling and Simulation

Problem 1 (Modelica, Dymola, simple two-tank model)

In this problem, we will implement a model of a two-tank system coupled with a pipe with laminar flow¹, in Modelica/Dymola. See Figure 1.

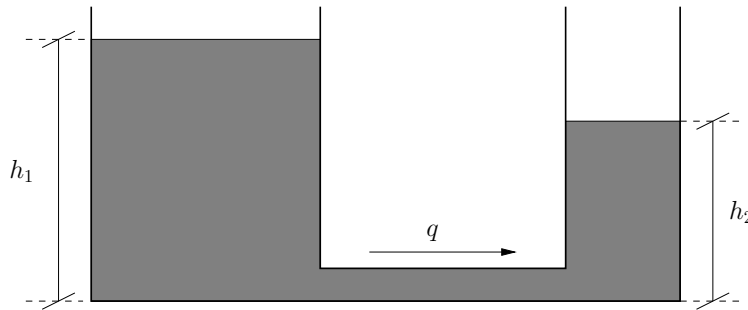


Figure 1: Coupled two-tank system

The mass balance for each tank can be written as (why?)

$$A_1 \frac{dh_1}{dt} = -q,$$
$$A_2 \frac{dh_2}{dt} = q$$

where A_i is the cross-sectional area of tank i , and h_i is the liquid height. The volume flow rate q is, assuming an incompressible Newtonian fluid flowing through a (long) cylindrical pipe, accurately described by the Hagen-Poiseuille law,

$$q = (p_1 - p_2) \frac{\pi D^4}{128 \mu L},$$

where p_i is the bottom pressure of each tank, D is the pipe diameter, μ is the dynamic viscosity and L is the pipe length. Note the sign convention that flow is positive out of tank 1. To couple these equations we need a relation between height and pressure:

$$p_i = \rho g h_i.$$

The values of the parameters can be found from the (incomplete) Modelica model below:

```
model TwoTanks_basic
  // Constants
  constant Real pi = 3.14;
  constant Real g = 9.81;

  // Parameters
  parameter Real A1 = 1.0 "Area of tank 1";
  parameter Real A2 = 2.0 "Area of tank 2";
  parameter Real L = 0.1 "Pipe length";
  parameter Real D = 0.2 "Pipe diameter";
```

¹The example is adapted from an example in M. Tiller, "Introduction to physical modeling with Modelica", 2001.

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parameter Real rho = 0.2 "Fluid density";
parameter Real mu = 2e-3 "Fluid dynamic viscosity";

// Variables
Real p1 "Pressure in tank 1";
Real p2 "Pressure in tank 2";
Real h1 "Liquid level in tank 1";
Real h2 "Liquid level in tank 2";
Real q "Volume flow rate between tanks";

equation
  // Relation pressure and height

  // Flow between tanks (positive out of tank 1)

  // Mass balances for each tank

end TwoTanks_basic;

```

- (a) Implement the two-tank model in Dymola (that is, write in the code above, and add the missing equations in the equation-section). First make a package ('File' → 'New' → 'Package') called TwoTanks, and make a model within the package (right-click the package in the Packages-pane, and choose 'Edit' → 'New class in package' → 'Model') called TwoTanks_basic. Choose 'Window' → 'View' → 'Modelica text' to open the text-view of the model.

How many variables are there? How many equations do you have to implement?

Simulate the model (in the simulation view). Experiment with different initial conditions.

- (b) It is desirable that the model contains information about the units of the involved quantities. We could do this by specifying a property for the parameters or variables, such as e.g.

```

parameter Real A1(unit="m2")=1.0 "Area of tank 1";

```

but to help us getting a consistent set of units, the Modelica Standard Library has defined all SI units (open 'Modelica' → 'SIunits' to inspect them). Improve the model above (in a new model, twotanks_SI, in the same package, if you want) with appropriate units from Modelica.SIunits. The code excerpt below should give you some hints (we have also used Modelica.Constants):

```

model TwoTanks_SI
  import SI = Modelica.SIunits;

  // Constants
  constant Real pi = Modelica.Constants.pi;
  constant Real g = Modelica.Constants.g_n;

  // Parameters
  parameter SI.DynamicViscosity mu = 2e-3 "Fluid dynamic viscosity";

  // Variables
  SI.Length h1 "Liquid level in tank 1";

```

Note that by using the import-statement, we can write SI rather than Modelica.SIunits when we use something from the SIunits library.

This process could be part of a much larger process, and then it is not practical to model the total process in a single file. By splitting it into parts, it is much easier to get an overview and maintain the overall model, sub-models that are equal need only be modeled once (for instance, tanks), and it is easy to replace/add sub-models. Modelica (and Dymola) is very well suited for this.

- (c) What are appropriate connection variables for this type of process? (That is, a process consisting of mass balances and exchange of mass/flow between units.) Several choices can be sensible. In your package, implement a Modelica connector (a type of model) as shown below:

```
connector FlowPort
  import SI = Modelica.SIunits;

  flow SI.VolumeFlowRate q "Volume flow rate from the connection point
                           into the component";
  SI.Pressure p "Thermodynamic pressure in the connection point";
end FlowPort;
```

In connectors, we have “nonflow” variables (effort) which should be equal in the connector, and “flow” variables (prefixed with flow) that should equate to zero. Think voltage, current and Kirchhoffs laws.

- (d) Implement a tank model (called Tank) and a pipe model (Pipe), and put them together in the following way:

```
model TwoTanks
  Tank Tank1(A=1.0);
  Tank Tank2(A=2.0);
  Pipe Pipe(L=0.1,D=0.2);
equation
  connect(Tank1.flowPort,Pipe.flowPort_a);
  connect(Tank2.flowPort,Pipe.flowPort_b);
end TwoTanks;
```

To help you get started, the Tank-model could be implemented as:

```
model Tank
  // Constants
  constant Real g = Modelica.Constants.g_n;

  // Parameters
  parameter Real A = 1.0 "Area of tank";
  parameter Real rho = 0.2 "Fluid density";

  // Ports
  FlowPort flowPort "fluid flows in or out of tank";

  // Variables
  Real p "Pressure in tank";
  Real h "Liquid level in tank";

equation
  // Relation pressure and height
  p = rho*g*h;

  // Mass balances for each tank
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A*der(h) = -flowPort.q;

// Set pressure in port
flowPort.p = p;
end Tank;

```

The final question is optional:

- (e) In this task, we will model the same system using components from the Modelica.Fluid library in the Modelica Standard Library. Make a new model (for instance in the same package as before), and drag-and-drop the models Modelica.Fluid.Vessels.OpenTank (times 2), Modelica.Fluid.Pipes.StaticPipe and Modelica.Fluid.System (contains some parameters common for all sub-models). Connect them by clicking on the connectors.

Then we have two fill in the parameters. For each of the tanks, doubleclick and fill in

- Height of the tank (note; this is not the level)
- Cross sectional area
- Medium. Choose one from the drop-down menu, for instance “Water: Simple liquid water medium”.
- Set ‘use_portsData’ to ‘False’.

For the pipe, doubleclick to fill in

- Length
- Diameter
- Medium (same as for tanks)
- Flow model. It will work if you do nothing (then the model “DetailedPipeFlow” will be used). If you choose something else than the default (for instance: “NominalLaminarFlow”), you have to fill in some of the parameters of the flow model.

Simulate and compare.

Problem 2 (Positive real transfer functions)

- (a) Are the transfer functions

$$H_1(s) = \frac{1}{1 + Ts}$$

$$H_2(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega_0^2}$$

positive real?

- (b) Assume that $c > 0$ and $b > 0$ are given constants. For which a is the transfer function

$$H_3(s) = \frac{s + a}{(s + b)(s + c)}$$

positive real?

- (c) For which $a \geq 0$ is the transfer function

$$H_4(s) = \frac{s^2 + a^2}{s(s^2 + \omega_0^2)}$$

positive real?

(d) The state-space model for the transfer function $H_1(s)$ is

$$T\dot{y} = -y + u.$$

Find a storage function $V(y) \geq 0$ which can be used to show passivity for the system $u \mapsto y$.

(e) Given the transfer function

$$H(s) = \frac{(s + z_1) \dots (s + z_m)}{s(s + p_1) \dots (s + p_n)}$$

where $\operatorname{Re}[p_i] > 0$, $\operatorname{Re}[z_i] > 0$ and $n > m$. Show that $H(s)$ is positive real if and only if $\operatorname{Re}[H(j\omega)] \geq 0$ for all $\omega \neq 0$.