

# A short Introduction to Sliding Mode Control

## Robust Control for Nonlinear Systems

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**Sliding mode** as a phenomenon may appear in a dynamic system governed by ordinary differential equation with *discontinuous right hand side*

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# A motivating Example for SMC

## Example

Sliding mode of the system  
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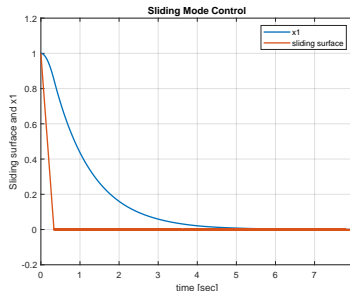
$$\ddot{x} = \sin(3t) + u \quad (1)$$

with sliding surface

$$s = c\dot{x} + x \quad (2)$$

with control law

$$u = -M \operatorname{sgn}(s) \quad (3)$$



Simulation results for  $M = 3$   
and  $c = 1 \text{ s}^{-1}$

If the system is in sliding mode, *i. e.*  $s = 0$ , the dynamics is  $s = \dot{x} + x = 0$  and therefore independent of system parameters or disturbance  $\rightsquigarrow$  robust !

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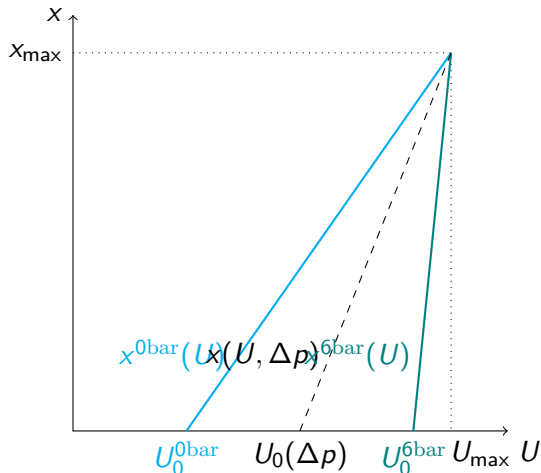
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# References

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