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Equilibrium

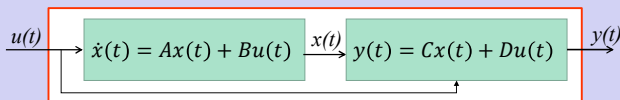
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Superposition principle- LTI



- Simulation 1
 - $t_0 = 0,$
 - $x(t_0) = x'_0,$
 - $u(t) = u'(t)$
- Simulation 2
 - $t_0 = 0,$
 - $x(t_0) = x''_0,$
 - $u(t) = u''(t)$
- Simulation 3
 - $t_0 = 0,$
 - $x(t_0) = \alpha x'_0 + \beta x''_0,$
 - $u(t) = \alpha u'(t) + \beta u''(t)$
- Solution 1
 - $x(t) = \phi'(t)$
- Solution 2
 - $x(t) = \phi''(t)$
- Solution 3
 - $x(t) = \alpha \phi'(t) + \beta \phi''(t)$

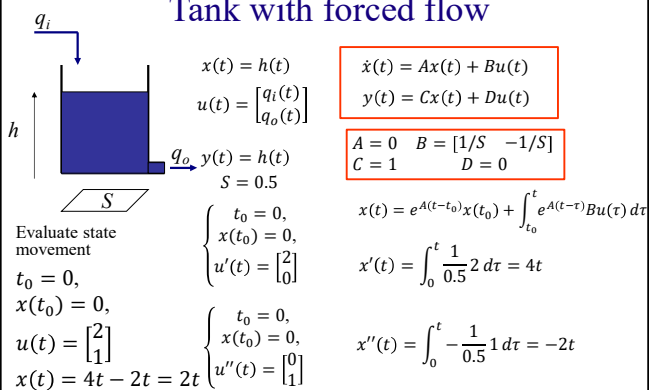
The result holds for time varying Linear System

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Tank with forced flow



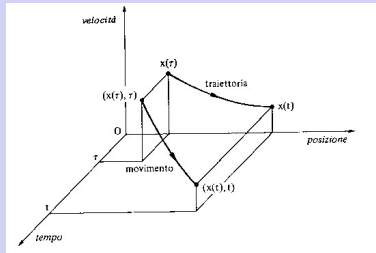
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Trajectory

The state movement projection on the state plane is called *State Trajectory*



Likewise, the *Output Trajectory* is the projection of the output movement on the output plane

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Equilibrium

- An notable behaviour for the system is the Constant movement $x(t) = x_{eq}$
- This correspond to single a point as trajectory (x_{eq})
- A common problem is to find a constant input $u(t) = u_{eq}$ that generate this equilibrium

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t), t) \rightarrow 0 = f(x_{eq}, u_{eq}, t)$$

Equilibrium point

$$(x_{eq}, u_{eq}) \text{ such that } f(x_{eq}, u_{eq}, t) = 0, t > t_0$$

$$(x_{eq}, u_{eq}) \text{ such that } f(x_{eq}, u_{eq}) = 0 \quad TI$$

$$LTI \quad (x_{eq}, u_{eq}) \text{ such that } Ax_{eq} + Bu_{eq} = 0 \rightarrow u_{eq} = -B^{-1}Ax_{eq}$$

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An economic model - Equilibrium

$Y = \text{Gross Domestic Product} = y(t)$

$I = \text{Investment} = u(t)$

$C = \text{Family Consumption} = x(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}(t) &= (b - a)x(t) + bu(t) \\ y(t) &= x(t) + u(t) \end{aligned}$$

Evaluate the constant investment ammount \bar{u} to keep a constant consmption level of \bar{x}

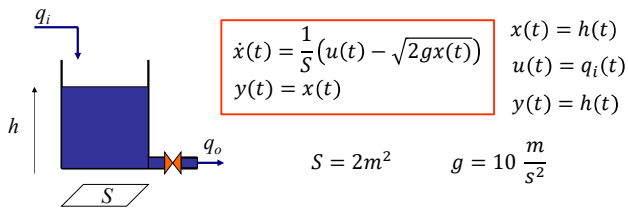
$$(b - a)\bar{x} + b\bar{u} = 0 \quad \bar{u} = -\frac{b - a}{b} \bar{x}$$

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Tank with forced inflow - Equilibrium



Evaluate the constant inflow \bar{u} to keep the level at 80 m

$$(x_{eq} = 80, u_{eq} = \bar{u}): f(80, \bar{u}) = 0 \quad 0 = \frac{1}{S}(\bar{u} - \sqrt{2 \cdot g \cdot 80})$$

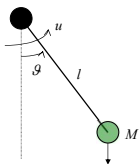
$$0 = \bar{u} - \sqrt{160g} \quad \bar{u} = 4\sqrt{10g} = 4\sqrt{10 \cdot 10} = 40$$

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Pendulum



A rod pivoted at a fulcrum with a mass M .

We are interested in the rod angle ϑ .

Subject to a friction proportional to speed $\dot{\vartheta}$.

A force couple u may be applied to the rod.

$$Ml^2\ddot{\vartheta}(t) = -glM\sin(\vartheta(t)) - k\dot{\vartheta}(t) + u(t)$$

Find equilibrium point/s when the couple is not in place ($u=0$)

Assuming

$$x_1(t) = \vartheta(t)$$

$$x_2(t) = \dot{\vartheta}(t)$$

$$\dot{x}_1(t) = x_2(t)$$

$$\dot{x}_2(t) = -\frac{g}{l}\sin(x_1(t)) - kx_2(t) + \frac{1}{Ml^2}u(t)$$

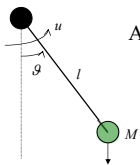
$$y(t) = x_1(t)$$

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Pendulum - Classification



Assuming $x_1(t) = \vartheta(t)$ $x_2(t) = \dot{\vartheta}(t)$

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Dynamic system ($n=2$)

Order 2

SISO ($m=1, q=1$)

Not linear

Time invariant

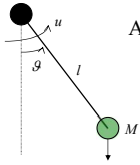
Strictly Proper

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Pendulum - Equilibrium



Assuming $x_1(t) = \theta(t)$ $x_2(t) = \dot{\theta}(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1(t) &= x_2(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) &= -\frac{g}{l} \sin(x_1(t)) - \frac{k}{Ml^2} x_2(t) + \frac{1}{Ml^2} u(t) \\ y(t) &= x_1(t) \end{aligned}$$

Find equilibrium

Points for $\bar{u} = 0$

$Eq: (\bar{x}; \bar{u})$ s. t. $f(\bar{x}; \bar{u}) = 0$

$$\begin{cases} 0 = \bar{x}_2 \\ 0 = -\frac{g}{l} \sin(\bar{x}_1) - \frac{k}{Ml^2} \bar{x}_2 \end{cases}$$

$$0 = -\frac{g}{l} \sin(x_1(t))$$

$$Eq_1: ((0; 0); 0) \quad Eq_2: ((\pi; 0); 0)$$

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Pendulum - Consideration



$$Eq_1: ((0; 0); 0)$$

$$Eq_2: ((\pi; 0); 0)$$

Are the two Equilibrium points equivalent?



Consider to apply the *same input* (no force applied) but a *small variation* to equilibrium state:

Eq_1 : nothing change

Eq_2 : the system move away from

Stability exploits this difference

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Stability definition & theorem for LTI system

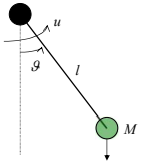
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Dynamic System equilibrium stability - I

Concept

\bar{x} is a **stable equilibrium state** if the state signals generated by every "small" perturbation of \bar{x} is always close to \bar{x}

- "small" perturbation of \bar{x} $\|x_0 - \bar{x}\| < \varepsilon$
- always close to \bar{x} $\|x(t) - \bar{x}\| < \delta$

Definition

An equilibrium \bar{x} is defined *stable* if, given an $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that for each initial state x_0 fulfilling $\|x_0 - \bar{x}\| < \varepsilon$ results in $\|x(t) - \bar{x}\| < \delta$ for every $t > 0$.

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Dynamic System equilibrium stability - II

Concept

\bar{x} is an *asymptotically stable equilibrium state* if the state signals generated by applying the equilibrium input to every “small” perturbation of \bar{x} tend to return to \bar{x}

Definition

An equilibrium \bar{x} is defined *asymptotically stable* if is stable and

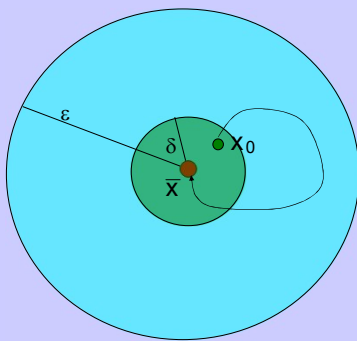
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|x(t) - \bar{x}\| = 0.$$

Definition

An equilibrium \bar{x} is *unstable* if is not stable

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Asymptotic stability



δ : *region of attraction*

δ can be really small

if δ is the whole state space

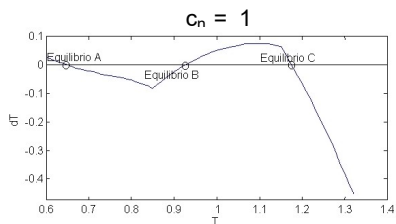
\bar{x} : *global asymptotical stable equilibrium state*

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Temperatura della terra stabilità dell'equilibrio

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Stabilità dell'equilibrio



Punto di equilibrio B

Comunque perturbi il sistema mi allontanano dall'equilibrio

Equilibrio Instabile

Punti di equilibrio A e C

$x_0 < \bar{x} \quad \frac{dx}{dt} > 0 \quad x(t) \text{ crescente}$
 $x_0 > \bar{x} \quad \frac{dx}{dt} < 0 \quad x(t) \text{ decrescente}$

Equilibrio Stabile

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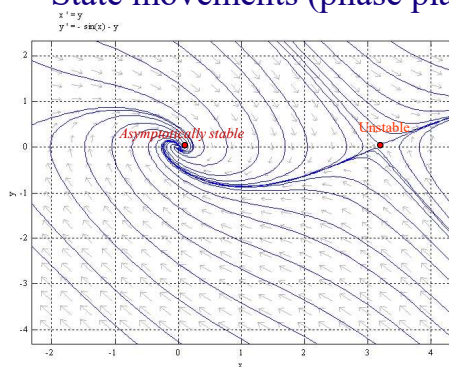
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State movements (phase plan)



$M=g=l=1$

$u(t)=0$

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LTI system - stability

State
dynamic

$$x(t) = e^{At}x_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)}B\bar{u} d\tau$$

Equilibrium
dynamic

$$\bar{x} = e^{At}\bar{x} + \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)}B\bar{u} d\tau$$



$$x(t) - \bar{x} = e^{At}(x_0 - \bar{x})$$

Stability is related
ONLY to the matrix A



For LTI Stability is a *Property of the System* instead of the equilibrium point

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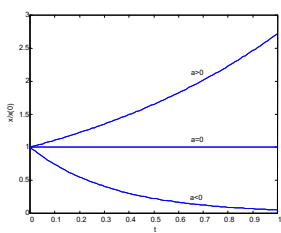
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1st Order LTI - Stability

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = ax(t)$$

La matrice $A = a$ coincide con il suo autovalore



$a > 0$ Unstable System

$a = 0$ Stable System

$a < 0$ asymptotically stable system

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An economic model - Equilibrium

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$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}(t) &= (b - a)x(t) + bu(t) \\ y(t) &= x(t) + u(t) \end{aligned}$$

$Eq(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$

$$\bar{u} = -\frac{b-a}{b}\bar{x}$$

Dynamic
matrix
 $A = b - a$

$b - a > 0$ Unstable System

$b - a = 0$ Stable System

$b - a < 0$ asymptotically stable system

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LTI system stability – I

We need to evaluate the stability of the perturbation

$$x(t) - \bar{x} = e^{At}(x_0 - \bar{x})$$

Hypothesis: eigenvalues of A are *distinct*

Reminder the eigenvalues of a $n \times n$ matrix A are the n roots of the characteristic equation

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = 0$$

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LTI system stability - II

For each distinct eigenvalue λ_i there is an eigenvector v_i such that

$$Av_i = \lambda_i v_i \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

given $T = [v_1 \ \dots \ v_n]$ we have: $AT^{-1} = T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$

Introducing $x = T^{-1}\tilde{x}$, the state equation $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t)$, become

$$T^{-1} \frac{d\tilde{x}(t)}{dt} = AT^{-1}\tilde{x}(t) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d\tilde{x}(t)}{dt} = TAT^{-1}\tilde{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \tilde{x}(t)$$

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LTI system stability - III

$$\frac{d\tilde{x}_i(t)}{dt} = \lambda_i \tilde{x}_i(t) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \tilde{x}_i(t) = e^{\lambda_i t} \tilde{x}_i(0)$$

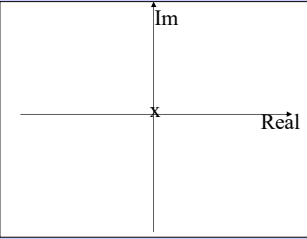
$$x(t) = T^{-1}\tilde{x}(t) = T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix} \tilde{x}(0)$$

$$x(t) = T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{\lambda_n t} \end{bmatrix} Tx(0)$$

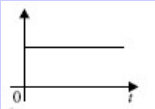
Free dynamic is a linear combination of exponential called **modes**

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LTI systems
modes



$\lambda_i = 0$
 $\tilde{x}_i(t) = e^{0t} \tilde{x}_i(0)$

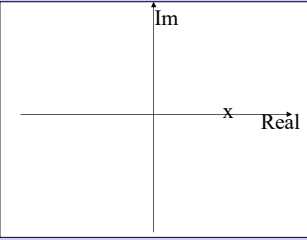


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LTI systems
modes



$\lambda_i = a \quad a > 0$
 $\tilde{x}_i(t) = e^{at} \tilde{x}_i(0)$

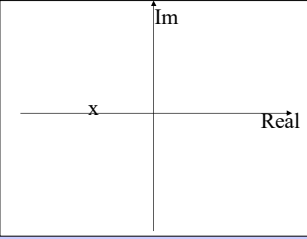


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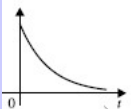
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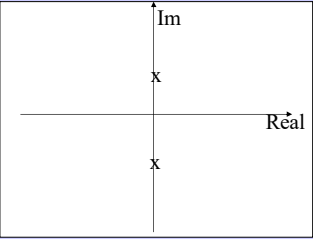
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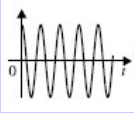
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LTI systems

modes



$\lambda_1 = bi \quad \lambda_2 = -bi$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{x}_1(t) \\ \widetilde{x}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{bit} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-bit} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{x}_1(0) \\ \widetilde{x}_2(0) \end{bmatrix}$$


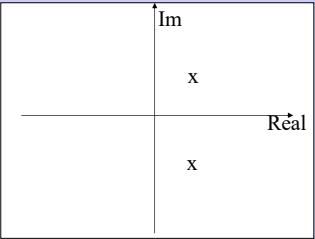
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LTI systems

modes



$\lambda_1 = a + bi \quad a > 0$
 $\lambda_2 = a - bi$

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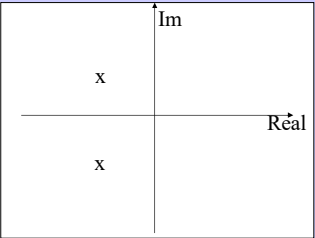
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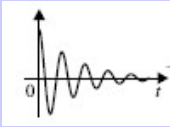
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LTI systems modes

Hypothesis: eigenvalues of A are *distinct*

Asymptotically stable

unstable

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LTI systems modes

Hypothesis: eigenvalues of A *have multiplicity = 2*

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LTI system: *Stability - II*

A LTI system is asymptotically stable if every eigenvalue has real part lower than zero.

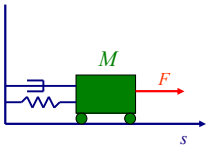
A LTI system is unstable if at least one of the eigenvalues has a **STRICTLY** positive real part

If the eigenvalues of a LTI system are not positive, the system can be stable or unstable but it can not be asymptotically stable.

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Mass-spring



$$M\ddot{s}(t) = -ks(t) - h\dot{s}(t) + F(t)$$

Set $x_1(t) = s(t)$, $x_2(t) = \dot{s}(t)$, $u(t) = F(t)$ and $y(t) = s(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1(t) &= x_2(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) &= \frac{1}{M} \{-kx_1(t) - hx_2(t) + u(t)\} \end{aligned} \quad y(t) = x_1(t)$$

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Mass-spring stability

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{k}{M} & -\frac{h}{M} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{M} \end{bmatrix} u(t) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{k}{M} & -\frac{h}{M} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = 0$$

$$\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ \frac{k}{M} & \lambda + \frac{h}{M} \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$$

$$\lambda \left(\lambda + \frac{h}{M} \right) - (-1) \frac{k}{M} = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + \frac{h}{M} \lambda + \frac{k}{M} = 0$$

$$\lambda_{1/2} = \frac{-\frac{h}{M} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{h}{M}\right)^2 - 4 \frac{k}{M}}}{2}$$

*$\text{Re}(\lambda_{1,2}) < 0$ iff $h, k > 0 \Leftrightarrow$
asymptotically stable*

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