

[AMv2 ch 2]

goal: introduce fundamental uses and properties of feedback

topics:

1°. mathematical models of systems

1¹. differential equations (DE)

1². transfer functions

1³. block diagrams

2°. effects of feedback

2¹. disturbance attenuation

2². unmodeled dynamics

2³. reference tracking

* read [AMv2 ch 2.2.5] to learn how positive feedback used in digital systems

* HW assigned - due midnight Fri

* we will answer questions thru noon on Fri

* we will post HW on Fri
→ caveat: won't be solved until Mon

* create video of ipynb → pdf

* " " " " LaTeX

1°. mathematical models of systems

• we will work with multiple representations of linear control systems

1¹. differential equations

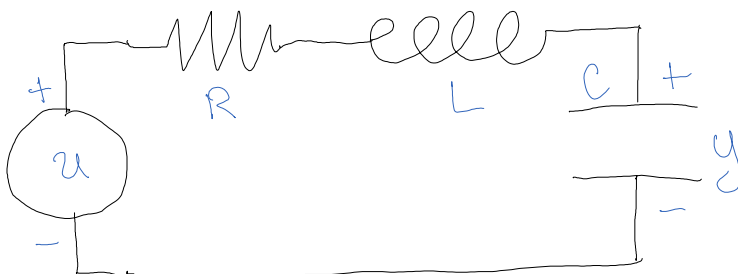
1². transfer functions

1³. block diagrams

} each has unique advantages & provides novel insight

* what is a control system?

ex: consider an RLC circuit



→ determine the roots of the characteristic polynomial

$$a(s) = Ls^2 + Rs + 1/C$$

- are they in left- or right-half plane?
↑↑

* how does input voltage u relate to output charge q ?

* how does input voltage u relate to output charge y ? half plate =
↑↑

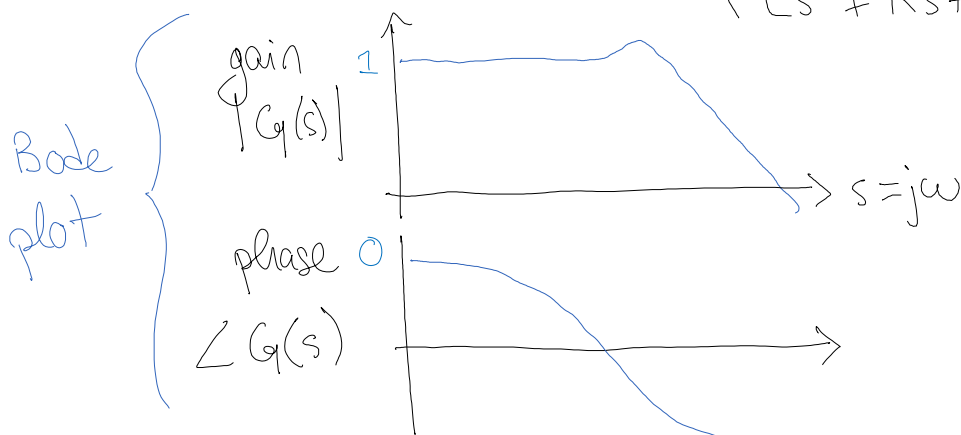
1. differential equation

$$\begin{aligned} \text{KVL} \Rightarrow u &= Ri + L \frac{d}{dt} i + \frac{1}{C} y \\ &= R \frac{d}{dt} y + L \frac{d^2}{dt^2} y + \frac{1}{C} y \end{aligned}$$

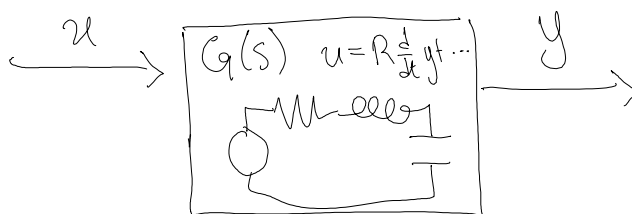
* WARMUP PROBLEM *

1.2. transfer function $\in \mathbb{C}$; called the transfer function

$$u = e^{st} = y = G(s) u = \left(\frac{1}{Ls^2 + Rs + \frac{1}{C}} \right) u$$



1.3. block diagram



1. (linear) differential equation (DE): [AMv2 ch 2] [Nv7 ch 3,4]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(DE)} \quad \frac{d^n}{dt^n} y + a_1 \frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} y + \dots + a_n y &= b_1 \frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} u + \dots + b_n u \end{aligned}$$

u - input t - time
 y - output

where $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^n, \{b_k\}_{k=1}^n \subset \mathbb{R} \Leftrightarrow \forall k: a_k, b_k \in \mathbb{R}$ or "□"

• note that (DE) is specified by specified by "s" is a dummy variable
two polynomial expressions: $-a/\square = \square^n + a_1 \square^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$

- note that (DE) is specified by specifying by two polynomial expressions: $a(\square) = \square^n + a_1 \square^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$ (summy variable)

$$\text{characteristic poly.} \leftarrow b(\square) = b_1 \square^{n-1} + \dots + b_n$$

* we'll see that these polynomials govern behavior of (DE)

- a "solution" to (DE) is a pair of signals (u, y)

"..." is it derivative
 $u: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $: t \mapsto u(t)$

$y: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $: t \mapsto y(t)$

that satisfy (DE) at all times $t \in \mathbb{R}$

→ if u, y solve (DE), show that

$$u': \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$: t \mapsto u(t+\tau)$$

$$y': \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$: t \mapsto y(t+\tau)$$

solve (DE) as well

→ thus (DE) is time-invariant

given: $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$y^{(n)}(t) + a_1 y^{(n-1)}(t) + \dots + a_n y(t) = b_1 u^{(n-1)}(t) + \dots + b_n u(t)$$

want:

$$y^{(n)}(t) + a_1 y^{(n-1)}(t) + \dots + a_n y(t) = b_1 u^{(n-1)}(t) + \dots + b_n u(t)$$

$$\text{know: } y'(t) = y(t+\tau)$$

$$\text{so: } \frac{d}{dt} y'(t) = \frac{d}{dt} y(t+\tau)$$

→ if $(u_1, y_1), (u_2, y_2)$ solve (DE),

show that $(u_1 + \alpha u_2, y_1 + \alpha y_2)$

solve (DE) as well, where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

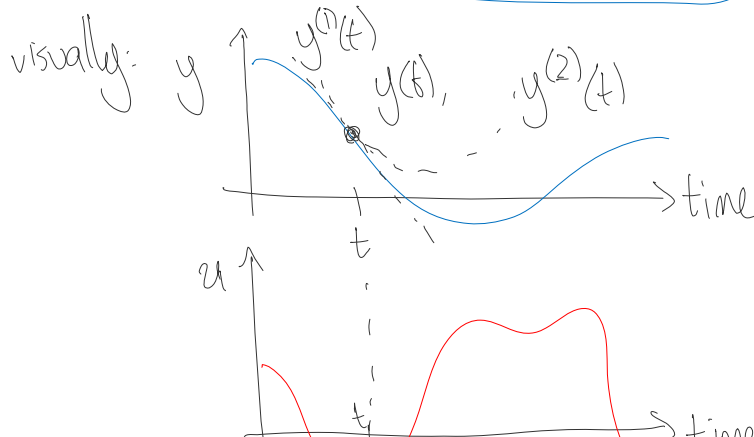
→ thus (DE) is linear

→ (DE) is linear & time-invariant (LTI)

and it's not hard to show:

$$\frac{d^k}{dt^k} y'(t) = \frac{d^k}{dt^k} y(t+\tau), \quad \frac{d^k}{dt^k} u'(t) = \frac{d^k}{dt^k} u(t+\tau)$$

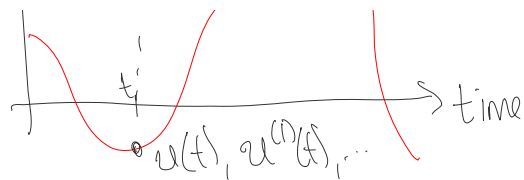
$$y^{(n)}(t+\tau) + a_1 y^{(n-1)}(t+\tau) + \dots + a_n y(t+\tau) = b_1 u^{(n-1)}(t+\tau) + \dots + b_n u(t+\tau)$$



(DE) says:

$$\frac{d^n}{dt^n} y(t) + a_1 \frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} y(t) + \dots + a_n y(t) = b_1 \frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} u(t) + \dots + b_n u(t)$$

no matter what time t you pick



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Fact: every solution to (DE) is a linear combination (i.e. sum) of:

- the homogeneous solution ($u=0$)
- a particular solution ($u \neq 0$)

homogeneous: when $u=0$, i.e. $\frac{d^n}{dt^n} y + a_1 \frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} y + \dots + a_n y = 0$,

y is a linear combination of (complex) exponentials:

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{s_1 t} + \dots + C_n e^{s_n t} = \sum_{k=1}^n C_k e^{s_k t}$$

where $\{s_k\}_{k=1}^n \subset \mathbb{C}$ are the roots of the characteristic polynomial $a(s)$, i.e. $a(s_k) = 0$

and $\{C_k\}_{k=1}^n$ are determined by initial condition

$$\{y(0), \dot{y}(0), \ddot{y}(0), \dots, \frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} y(0)\} = \left\{ \frac{d^k}{dt^k} y^{(k)}(0) \right\}_{k=0}^{n-1}$$

12. transfer function:

[AMv2 ch 2] [Nv7 ch 2]

• from a different perspective, a system transforms input u to output y :



• when $u(t) = e^{st}$, $s \notin \{s_k\}_{k=1}^n$ ie. s is not a root of $a(s)$

guess $y(t) = G(s) e^{st}$, same $G(s) \in \mathbb{C}$

→ verify: $\frac{d}{dt} u = s e^{st}$, $\frac{d^2}{dt^2} u = s^2 e^{st}$, ..., $\frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} u = s^{n-1} e^{st}$

$\frac{d}{dt} y = s G(s) e^{st}$, ..., $\frac{d^n}{dt^n} y = s^n G(s) e^{st}$

$$\frac{d}{dt} y = s G(s) e^{st}, \dots, \frac{d^n}{dt^n} y = s^n G(s) e^{st}$$

→ substituting into (DE): $(s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_n) G(s) e^{st} = (b_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_n) e^{st}$

so $G(s) = \frac{b_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_n}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_n} = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)}$ is the transfer function

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ex: compute the roots of characteristic polynomial $L s^2 + R s + 1/C$

$$s = \frac{-R \pm \sqrt{R^2 - 4L/C}}{2L}$$

• are these in left-half (complex) plane $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Re } z < 0\}$?

→ yes, assuming: $R, L, C > 0$: $R^2 - 4L/C < R^2$
so $\text{Re } s < 0$, i.e. $s \in$ left-half plane



summary & synthesis of 11. & 12.:

• exponential input $u(t) = e^{st}$ to linear time-invariant (LTI) system yields exp. output $y(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k e^{s_k t} + G(s) e^{st} = u(t)$

$\{s_k\}_{k=1}^n$
are roots
of characteristic
polynomial

homogeneous response to initial condition

[recall: $s_k = \sigma_k + j\omega_k$ then $e^{s_k t} = e^{\sigma_k t} e^{j\omega_k t}$]

$\sigma_k = \text{Re } s_k < 0$
→ 0 as $t \rightarrow \infty$

of characteristic polynomial

Recall: $s_k = \sigma_k + j\omega_k$ then $e^{s_k t} = e^{\sigma_k t} e^{j\omega_k t}$
particular response to input signal

→ when is it the case that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) \rightarrow G(s)e^{st}$
 (when $u(t) = e^{st}$)?

* what must be true of $\{s_k\}_{k=1}^n$?

→ $\text{Re } s_k < 0$ for all $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

• terminology:

- static gain: $u(t) = e^{0 \cdot t} = 1 \Rightarrow y(t) = G(0) = \frac{b_n}{a_n}$

- given complex number $z \in \mathbb{C}$: $|z|$ is magnitude, $\angle z$ is phase

* $z = r e^{j\theta}$ where $r = |z|$, $\theta = \angle z$

argument
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angle

- writing $z = \sigma + j\omega$: $\sigma = \text{Re } z$ is the real part
 $\omega = \text{Im } z$ is the imaginary part

ex: given $u(t) = \sin \omega t = \text{Im } e^{j\omega t}$

$e^{j\omega t} = \cos \omega t + j \sin \omega t$

$y(t) = \text{Im} (G(j\omega) e^{j\omega t})$ ← just the particular part of output

$\sigma \in \mathbb{R}$
 $\text{Im}(\sigma \cdot z)$
 $= \sigma \cdot \text{Im } z$

$= \text{Im} (|G(j\omega)| e^{j\angle G(j\omega)} e^{j\omega t})$
 $= |G(j\omega)| \text{Im} (e^{j(\angle G(j\omega) + \omega t)})$

$= |G(j\omega)| \sin(\omega t + \angle G(j\omega))$
gain

$z = G(j\omega)$
 $= |z| e^{j\angle z}$

$u(t) = e^{j\omega t} = \cos \omega t + j \sin \omega t \leadsto y(t) = G(j\omega) e^{j\omega t}$
 $\text{Im } u(t) = \text{Im } e^{j\omega t} = \sin \omega t \leadsto \text{Im } y(t) = \text{Im} (G(j\omega) e^{j\omega t})$

→ what happens when $u(t) = e^{s_k t}$, $a(s_k) = 0$?

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- what does the transfer function tell us?

- " " (DE) tell us?

→ same Q's for $u(t) = e^{s_L t}$, $b(s_L) = 0$

→ s_k termed a pole, s_L termed a zero

→ when is it the case that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) \rightarrow G(s) e^{s t}$
(when $u(t) = e^{s t}$)?

* what must be true of $\{s_k\}_{k=1}^n$?

→ $\text{Re } s_k < 0$ for all $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

def: say LTI system is stable if all roots of char. poly.
are in the left-half plane, i.e.

* Routh (1831-1907) & Hurwitz (1859-1919)

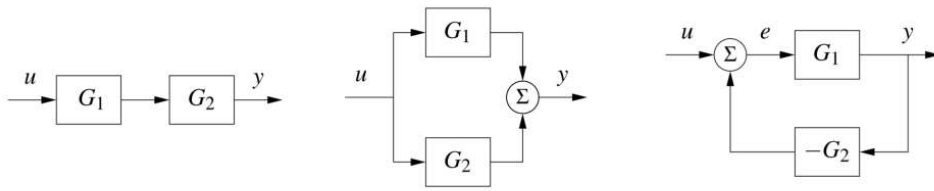
found criteria for stability using only coefficients
(i.e. not the roots) of characteristic polynomial $a(s)$

(roots of $a(s)$ have negative real part) (if and only if) (algebraic conditions on $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^n$ hold)

$a_0 s^2 + a_1 s + a_2$	$\Leftrightarrow \frac{a_1}{a_0}, \frac{a_2}{a_0} > 0$
$s^3 + a_1 s^2 + a_2 s + a_3$	$a_1, a_2, a_3 > 0$ and $a_1 a_2 > a_3$
$s^4 + a_1 s^3 + a_2 s^2 + a_3 s + a_4$	$a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 > 0$ $a_1 a_2 > a_3, a_1 a_2 a_3 > a_1^2 a_4 + a_3^2$

1.3. block diagrams

[AMv2 ch 2] [Nv7 ch 5]



(a) $G_{yu}(s) = G_2(s)G_1(s)$

(b) $G_{yu}(s) = G_1(s) + G_2(s)$

(c) $G_{yu}(s) = \frac{G_1(s)}{1 + G_1(s)G_2(s)}$

2. effects of feedback

- there are many uses & types of feedback;
we'll focus on these important cases:

2¹. disturbance attenuation

2². unmodeled dynamics

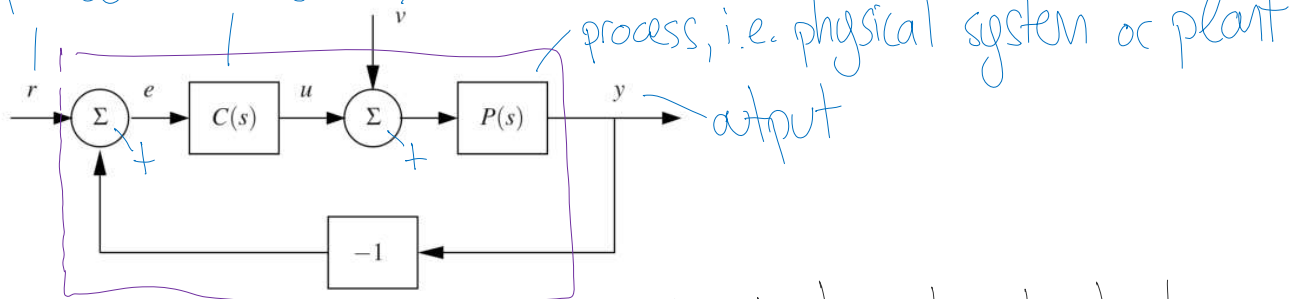
2³. reference tracking

* read [AMv2 ch 2] to learn about other uses & types of feedback

2¹. disturbance attenuation

[AMv2 ch 2.3]

• consider the block diagram: (standard "negative feedback" form)
reference controller, disturbance

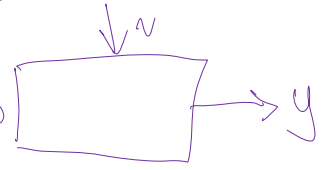


* this diagram is a precise mathematical statement about how signals (\rightarrow 's) are transformed (\square 's)
ex: how does output y relate to external inputs r, v ?
i.e. find an equation of the form $y = G_{yr}r + G_{yv}v$

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 $y = P(u+v) = P(v + Ce)$

$$[y(s) = P(s)(u(s) + v(s)) = P(s)(v(s) + C(r - y(s)))] \rightarrow \text{solve for } y \text{ i.t.o. } r, v$$

or $y(t) = (h_p * (u+v))(t)$
 impulse response of P



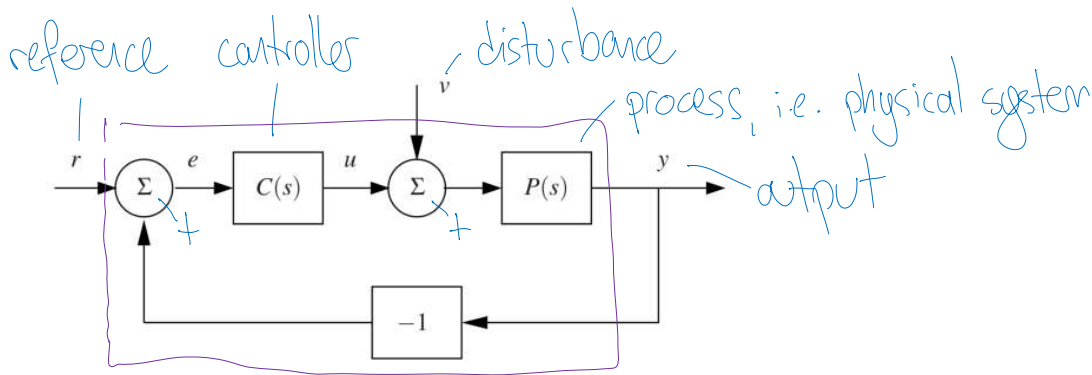
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2! disturbance attenuation [AMv2 ch 2.3]

consider the block diagram:

* ipynb on github → Colab



→ determine how output y depends on reference r , disturbance d
 by 1°: translating the block diagram to equations
 and 2°: manipulating these equations to solve for y in terms of r, v

$$y = P \cdot (v + u) \leftarrow \text{this is true in freq- or time-domain}$$

$$= P \cdot v + P \cdot u = P v + P C e = P v + P C (r - y)$$

$$= P v + P C r - P C y$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y + P C y = P v + P C r$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (1 + P C) y = P v + P C r$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y = \frac{P}{1 + P C} v + \frac{P C}{1 + P C} r$$

* assume $1 + P C \neq 0$;
 we'll see this is related to stability

so in particular, $G_{yv}(s) = \frac{P(s)}{1 + P(s)C(s)}$
 ↑ 1. 1. ... "transfer function from v to y"

so in particular, $G_{yv}(s) = \frac{1}{1+P(s)C(s)}$

notation means "transfer function from v to y "

ex: consider first-order process $P(s) = \frac{b}{s+a} \Leftrightarrow \dot{y} + ay = bu$

assume $a, b > 0$

- interpret y as velocity of car
- u throttle/gas pedal
- r desired velocity
- a air resistance, wheel friction
- b conversion from force to acceleration
- v road slope, head/tailwind

- mixing fluids
 - velocity of a mass
 - low-pass filter
 - lumped circuit elements
- (inductor $v = L \frac{d}{dt} i$
capacitor $i = C \frac{d}{dt} v$)

→ determine transfer function G_{yv} when $C(s) = k_p$

$$G_{yv} = \frac{P}{1+PC} = \frac{b/s+a}{1 + bkp/s+a} = \boxed{\frac{b}{s+(a+bkp)}}$$

* I wanted G_{yv} as a rational function (i.e. ratio of polynomials)

* Routh-Hurwitz stability criterion (R-H)

this system is stable if all roots of characteristic polynomial

$$a(s) = s + (a+bkp) \text{ are negative}$$

$$\text{i.e. if } -(a+bkp) < 0$$

* R-H constrains values for k_p : $k_p > -\frac{a}{b}$

• assuming $k_p > -\frac{a}{b}$, constant slope v_0 yields

$$y(t) = y_0 e^{-(a+bkp)t} + G_{yv}(0)v \quad \Rightarrow \quad v = v_0 e^{0 \cdot t}$$

$$\rightarrow y_0 = G_{yv}(0)v_0 = \frac{b}{a+bkp} v_0$$

in comparison, without feedback ($k_p=0$), $y_0 = \frac{b}{a} v_0$

→ including proportional control $C(s) = k_p$ attenuates disturbance

$$\left(\frac{b}{a+bkp} < \frac{b}{a} \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{b}{a+bk_p} < \frac{b}{a} \right)$$

• try proportional-integral control:

$$u(t) = k_p e(t) + k_I \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \dot{u} = k_p \dot{e} + k_I e \quad * \text{assume } e(0) = 0$$

(freq domain)

$$\Leftrightarrow s u = k_p s e + k_I e$$

$$\Leftrightarrow s \frac{u}{e} = k_p s + k_I \Leftrightarrow \frac{u}{e} = \frac{k_p s + k_I}{s} = k_p + \frac{k_I}{s}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{verify } G_{yv} = \frac{P}{1+PC} = \frac{bs}{s^2 + (a+bk_p)s + bk_I} = C(s)$$

* note: $v = v_0$ constant $\Rightarrow y_0 = G_{yv}(0) v_0 = 0$ ✓

\rightarrow constant disturbance yields zero steady-state error