

goal: derive "solution" (i.e. trajectories and flow)  
for linear time-invariant (LTI) systems

ref: Hespanha Ch 6

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linear time-invariant systems

• consider the linear DE (i.e. differential / difference equation)

$$\dot{x} / x^+ = A x + B u \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

$$y = C x + D u \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

- say DE is single-input (SI) if  $k=1$ , multi-input (MI) if  $k>1$   
" " "output (SO) if  $m=1$ , " " output (MO) if  $m>1$

→ what does it mean to "solve" this DE?  
(i.e. what kind of math object is the "solution"?)

\* a "solution" is a collection of signals (i.e. func. from time to state)  
 $u: [0, t) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k, \quad x: [0, t) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \quad y: [0, t) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

if  $\dot{x}$ , i.e. continuous time (CT),  $[0, t) \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  
 if  $x^+$ , i.e. discrete time (DT),  $[0, t) \subset \mathbb{N}$ , }  $t = \infty$  is OK

that satisfy (DE) at every time:

$$\forall s \in [0, t) : \dot{x}(s) = A x(s) + B u(s)$$

$$\text{and } y(s) = C x(s) + D u(s)$$

→ i.e.  $x$  is a trajectory for DE w/ input  $u$ , output  $y$

• for LTI DE:

if  $u = 0$  then

$$x(t) = e^{At} x(0) \text{ "solves" CT-LTI}$$

$$x(t) = A^t x(0) \text{ "solves" DT-LTI}$$

→ verify these expressions

if  $u \neq 0$  then

$$x(t) = e^{At} x(0) + \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} B u(\tau) d\tau \text{ "solves" CT-LTI}$$

$$x(t) = A^t x(0) + \sum_{\tau=0}^{t-1} A^{t-\tau-1} B u(\tau) \text{ "solves" DT-LTI}$$

→ verify these expressions

• if we define the state transition matrix  $\Phi: [0, t) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$   
 by  $\Phi(t) = e^{At}$  for CT-LTI and  $\Phi(t) = A^t$  for DT-LTI

then 
$$x(t) = \Phi(t)x(0) + \underbrace{\int_0^t \Phi(t-\tau)Bu(\tau)d\tau}$$

interpret as  $\sum_{\tau=0}^{t-1} \Phi(t-\tau-1)Bu(\tau)$  in DT case

• in all cases:  $y(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t)$

$$= C\Phi(t)x(0) + \int_0^t C\Phi(t-\tau)Bu(\tau)d\tau + Du(t)$$

• "bundling" all trajectories into a single function yields the flow:

$\phi: [0, t) \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  defined by

$$: (s, x_0, u) \mapsto \Phi(s)x_0 + \int_0^s \Phi(s-\tau)Bu(\tau)d\tau$$

→ compute  $D_{x_0}\phi$  \*  $D_{x_0}\phi(s, x_0, u) = \Phi(s)$