Project 2 - MECH 7790

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Part II: Group Portion

Problem 3: LQR State Feedback Regulation

a) Design the controller for the linear model.

Q, R, and K were designed using the following methodology. Q was designed using Bryson's rule to unit scale the max θ requirement of 0.61 rad and an arbitrary maximum x (set at 0.55 m) to limit overshoot. The derivatives of the states in question were set to a value of 1 as their weighting is inherently captured within the θ and x states.

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 3.31 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2.69 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

R was set to a value of 1 as there is only 1 input, meaning there is more value in scaling Q relative to R given the performance of your LQR controller is determined by the ratio between the two.

Using icare() in MATLAB, the controller K was determined to be the following:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} -1.82 & -2.70 & 22.32 & 4.30 \end{bmatrix}$$

icare() solves the Algebraic Riccati Equation $(A^TP + PA + Q - PBR^{-1}B^TP = 0)$ for P which is used in determining the controller K with the following:

$$K = R^{-1}B^T P$$

The following figures depict the outputs and input of the linear system with the above controller:

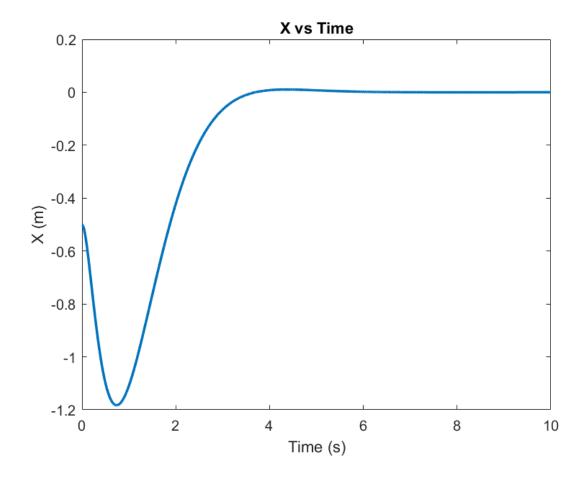


Figure 1: Linear System X Output

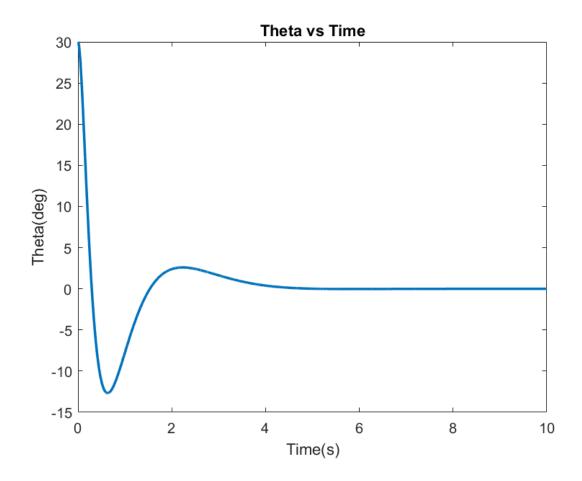


Figure 2: Linear System θ Output

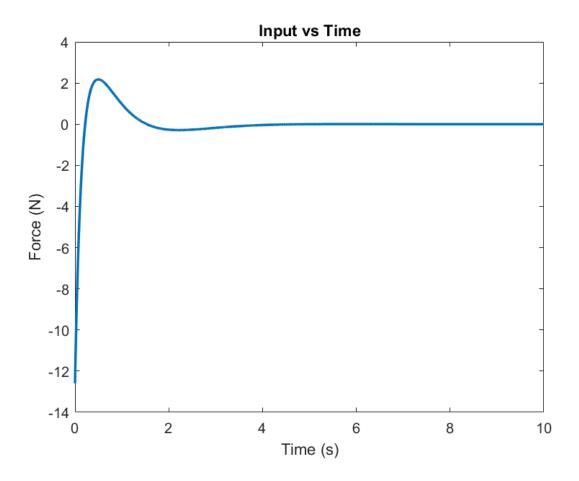


Figure 3: Linear System Input

The closed-loop eigenvalues are also found in the result of icare(), but it is simply from det(sI - (A - BK)) = 0. They are the following:

$$s = -1.32 \pm 0.88, -3.85, -8.34$$

b) Design the controller for the nonlinear model.

The Q, R, and K used for the nonlinear system are the same as for the linear model. The following figures depict the outputs and input of the nonlinear system with the above controller:

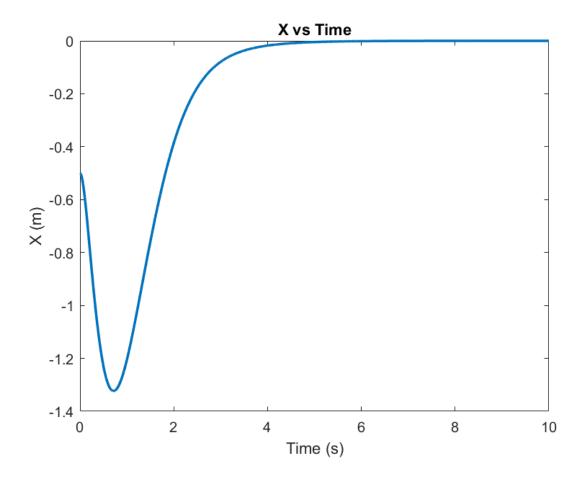


Figure 4: Nonlinear System X Output

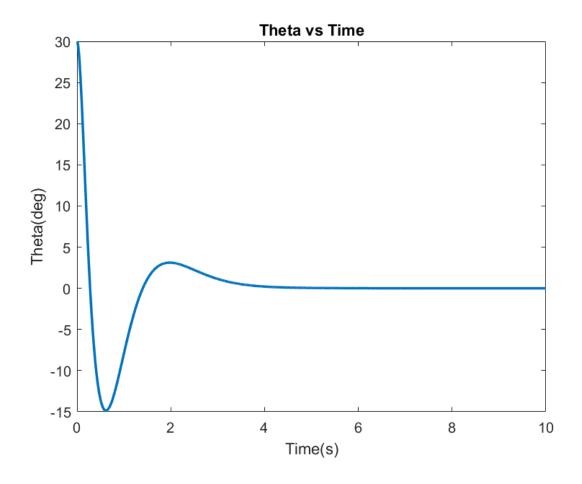


Figure 5: Nonlinear System θ Output

c) Discuss the differences between tuning the model for the linear and non-linear model.

For our particular case, there was no difference in tuning as the Q and R values for the linear model were able to produce a K that yielded stable results that met the design requirements for the nonlinear model. The settling time of the nonlinear response is slightly slower than that for the linear model as expected, but it is still within the performance requirements. If our initial tune was not successful, we would have likely needed to increase our values within Q to account for the nonlinear dynamics.

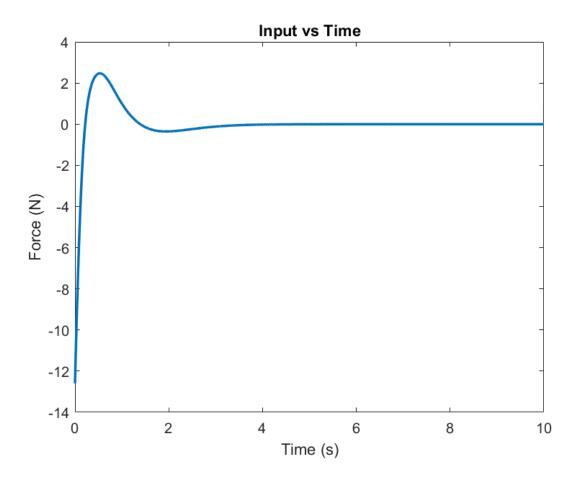


Figure 6: Nonlinear System Input

Problem 4: LQR State Feedback Regulation

The following table outlines the 5 different combinations of Q and R with the corresponding K we tested on the linear model. The values for Q in the table indicate the diagonal terms with the off-diagonal terms being 0. The Q for Combination 1 was derived using $Q = C^T Q_1 C$.

Table 1: Q & R Combinations with Resulting K & s

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#	Q	R	K	s
1	$diag \left(\begin{bmatrix} 3.31 \\ 0 \\ 2.69 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$	1	$\begin{bmatrix} -1.82 & -2.38 & 20.85 & 3.89 \end{bmatrix}$	$-1.14 \pm 1.11 -5.62 \pm 0.67$
2	$diag \left(\begin{bmatrix} 33.06\\10\\26.87\\10 \end{bmatrix} \right)$	1	$\begin{bmatrix} -5.75 & -6.92 & 38.02 & 7.96 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{c} -1.96 \\ -2.37 \pm 1.44 \\ -17.07 \end{array} $
3	$diag \left(\begin{bmatrix} 3.31\\1\\2.69\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$	10	$\begin{bmatrix} -0.58 & -1.27 & 17.57 & 3.25 \end{bmatrix}$	-0.68 ± 0.59 -4.95 -6.33
4	$diag \left(\begin{bmatrix} 3.31\\1\\2.69\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$	1	$\begin{bmatrix} -1.82 & -2.70 & 22.32 & 4.30 \end{bmatrix}$	-1.32 ± 0.88 -3.85 -8.34
5	$diag \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0.17\\ 0.05\\ 0.13\\ 0.05 \end{bmatrix} \right)$	1	$\begin{bmatrix} -0.41 & -1.04 & 16.84 & 3.10 \end{bmatrix}$	-0.57 ± 0.51 -5.13 -6.10

The following figures depict the outputs and input of the linear system with the above controllers from the 5 combinations:

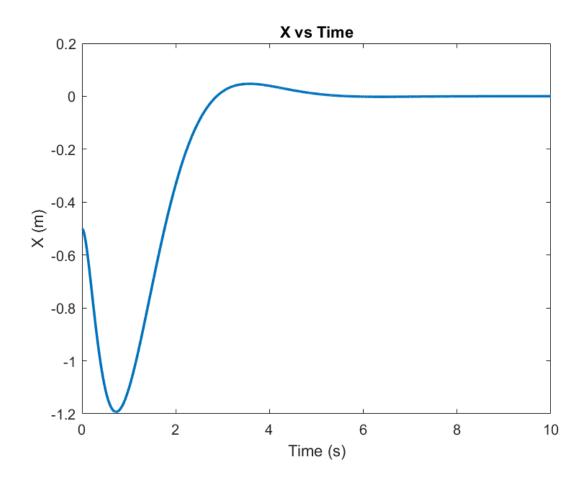


Figure 7: Combination #1 - Linear System X Output

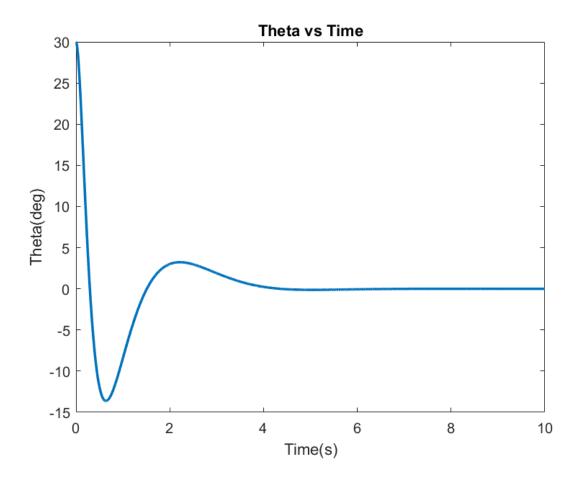


Figure 8: Combination #1 - Linear System θ Output

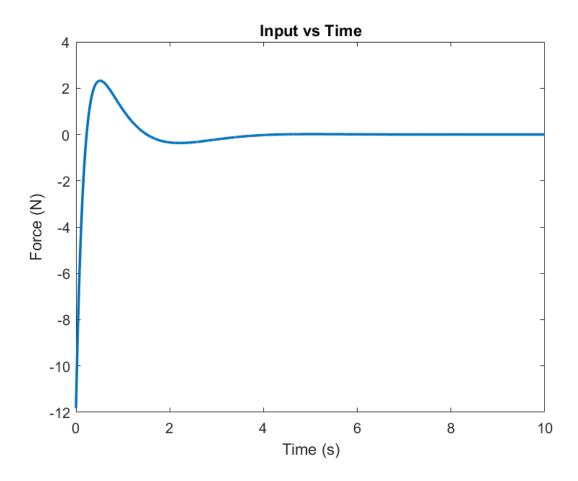


Figure 9: Combination #1 - Linear System Input

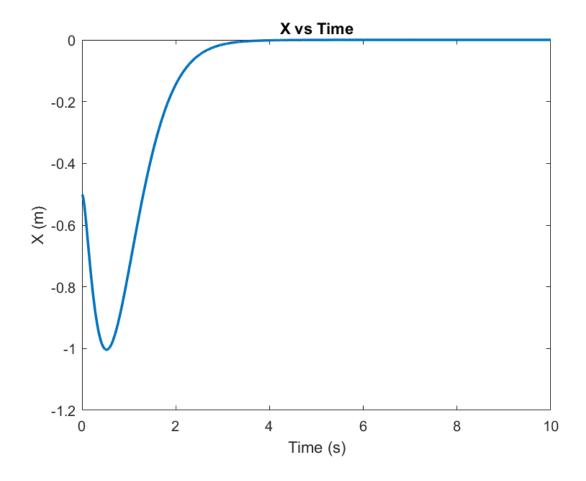


Figure 10: Combination #2 - Linear System X Output

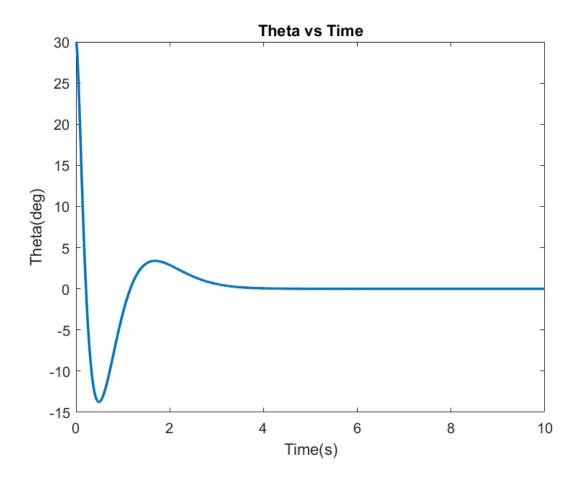


Figure 11: Combination #2 - Linear System θ Output

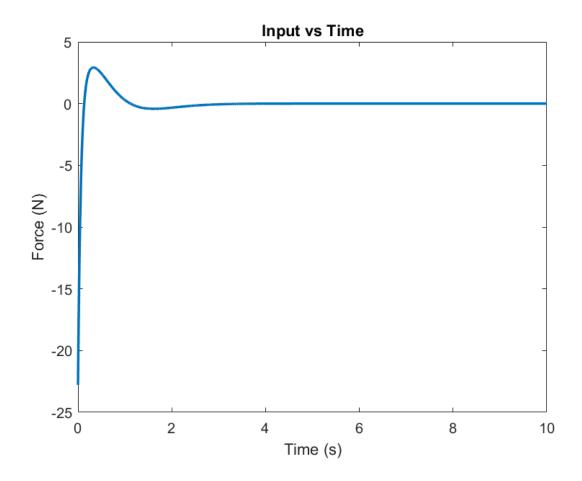


Figure 12: Combination #2 - Linear System Input

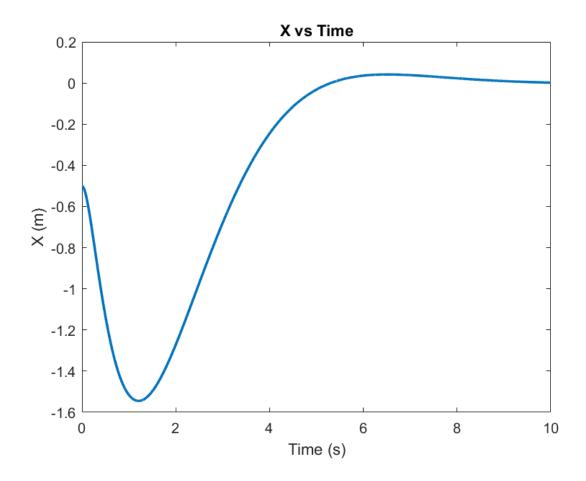


Figure 13: Combination #3 - Linear System X Output

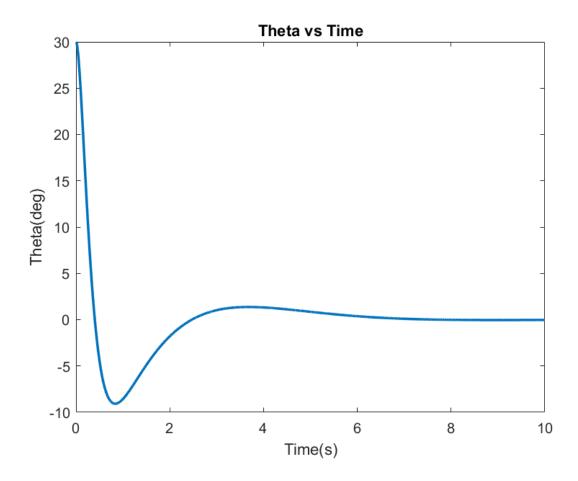


Figure 14: Combination #3 - Linear System θ Output

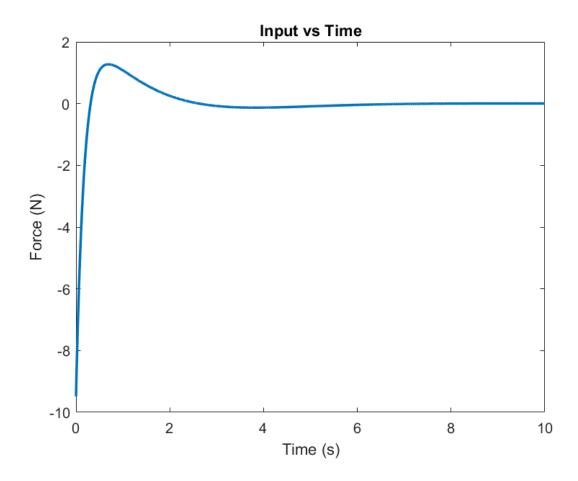


Figure 15: Combination #3 - Linear System Input

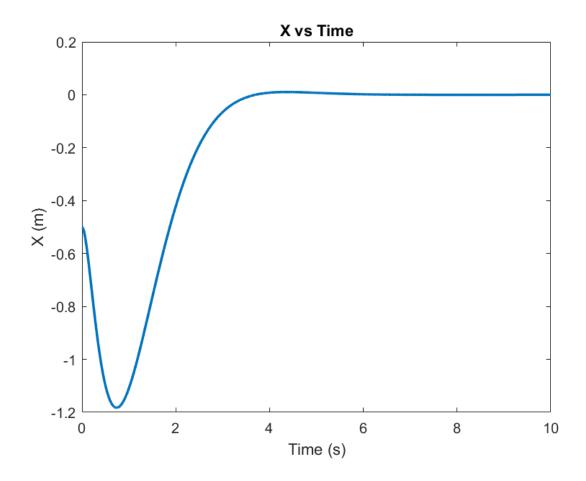


Figure 16: Combination #4 - Linear System X Output

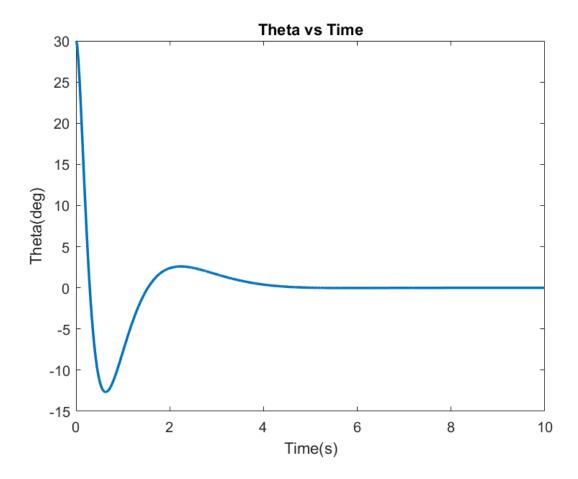


Figure 17: Combination #4 - Linear System θ Output

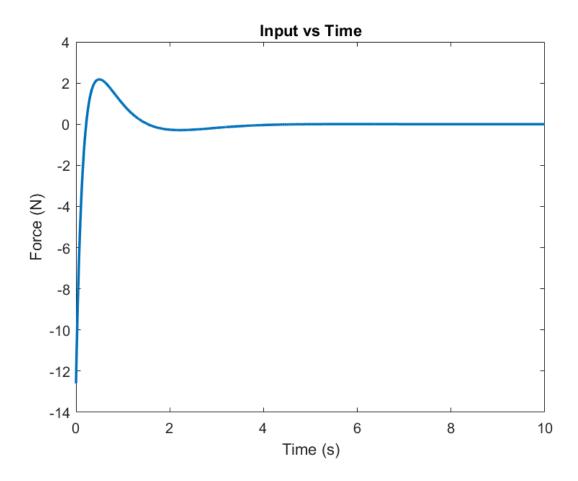


Figure 18: Combination #4 - Linear System Input

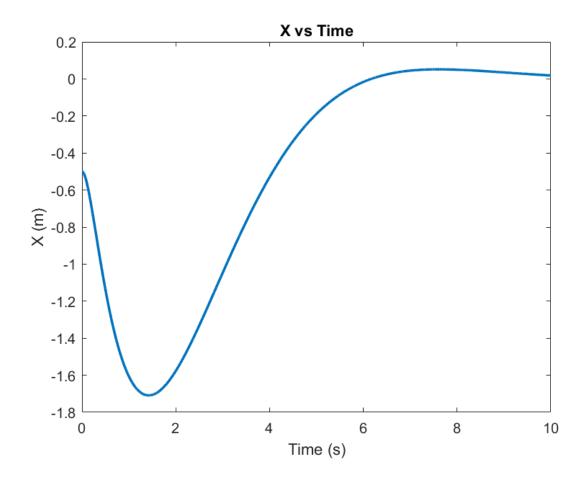


Figure 19: Combination #5 - Linear System X Output

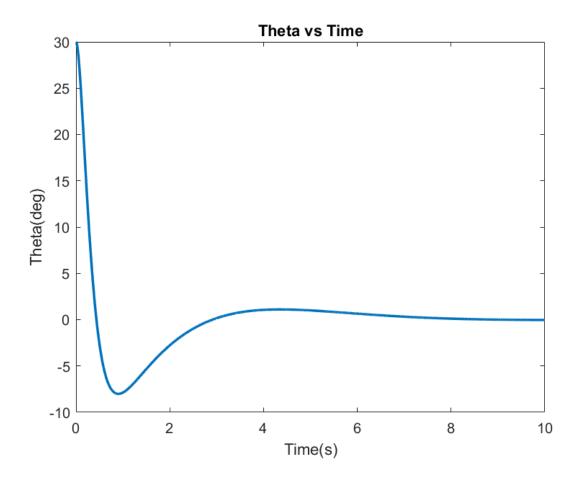


Figure 20: Combination #5 - Linear System θ Output

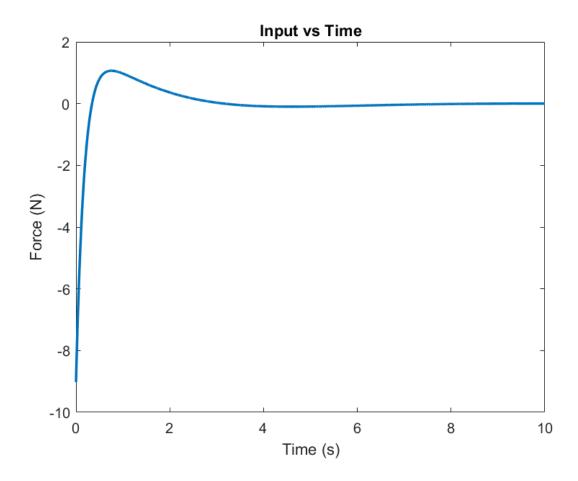


Figure 21: Combination #5 - Linear System Input

Overall, increasing the values of Q made the state response quicker without drastically changing the input (however it slightly increases) and decreasing Q makes the response slower, but doesn't drastically change the input. On the other hand, increasing R decreased the input and made the response slower. Decreasing R did the opposite. Using the modified Q in Combination 1 eliminates the consideration for the derivative states which makes the response slightly slower while still being somewhat similar.