

Fall 2021 ME424 Modern Control and Estimation

Lecture Note 2
State Space Models

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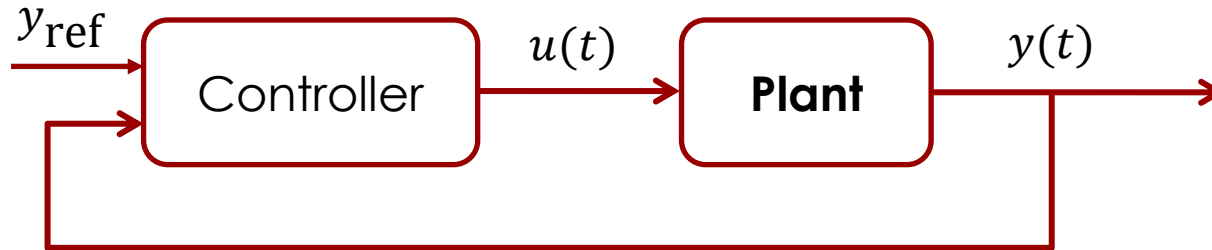
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Outline

- **State space model: definition and examples**
- From continuous-time to discrete time model
- From nonlinear to linear model
- State space model \leftrightarrow transfer function

State-space model based feedback control system:

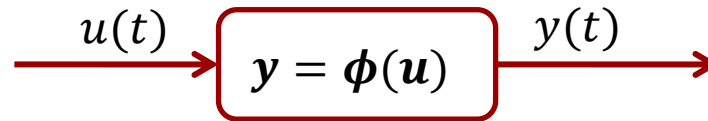
- Goal: determine control input to achieve desired output



- Controller design is based on plant model
 - Model is different from the actual plant
 - “all models are wrong, but some are useful”
- Modeling approach:
 - First principle
 - Data driven (System ID)

■ Static vs. Dynamic Systems

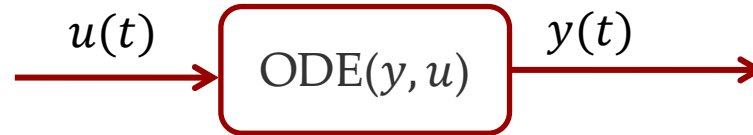
■ Static system



- $u(t)$ completely and immediately determines $y(t)$
- Desired output y_{ref} can be perfectly tracked (in absence of disturbance) by open-loop plant inversion

▪ Static vs. Dynamic Systems

- **Dynamic system:** differential or difference equation



- $u(t)$ does not fully determines $y(t)$
- At time t_0 , the output $y(t_0)$ does not fully captures the system “behavior”

- **“State”:** info needed for future evolution, it separates future from past
- State $x(t_0)$ at time t_0 and **input $u(t)$** over time $[t_0, t_f]$, **completely determines** the system behaviors

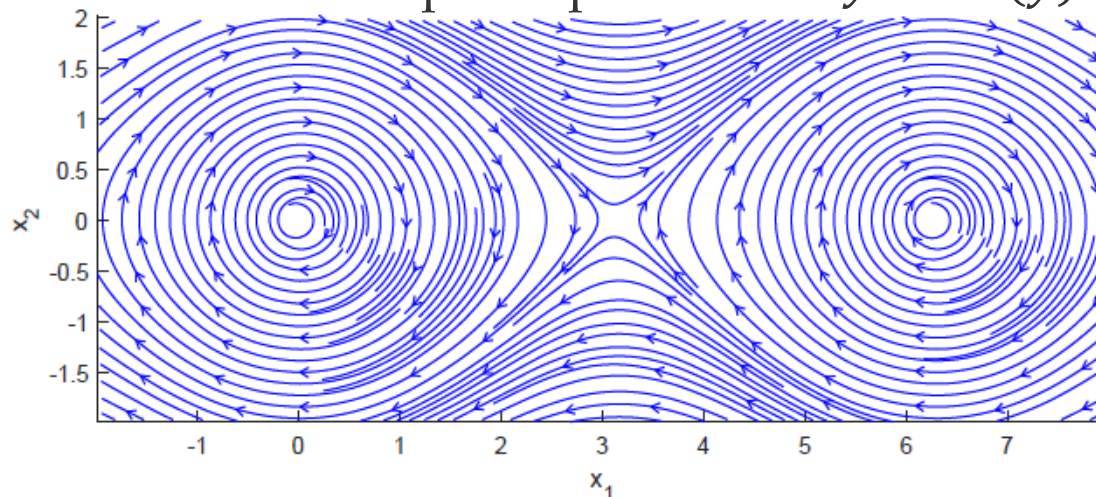
■ General continuous-time state space model

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u)$$

$$y = h(x, u)$$

- $x \in R^n$ state vector, $u \in R^m$ control input, $y \in R^p$ output,
- $f: R^n \times R^m \rightarrow R^n$: called **vector field**
- $h: R^n \times R^m \rightarrow R^p$: output function
- Called autonomous system if there is no control $f(x, u) = f(x)$
- For autonomous sys, $\hat{x} \in R^n$ is called **equilibrium** if $f(\hat{x}) = 0$

Vector field example of pendulum: $\ddot{y} + \sin(y) = 0$



■ General discrete-time state space model

$$\begin{aligned}x(k + 1) &= f(x(k), u(k)) \\ y(k) &= h(x(k), u(k))\end{aligned}$$

- $x \in R^n$ state vector, $u \in R^m$ control input, $y \in R^p$ output
 - $f: R^n \times R^m \rightarrow R^n$: state update equation
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- Discrete-time system:
 - Some discrete-time system is obtained from continuous time model by sampling
 - Some systems naturally evolve in discrete time.

- **Linear Systems:** system is called linear if:

Continuous time

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u) = Ax + Bu,$$
$$y = h(x, u) = Cx + Du,$$

Discrete time

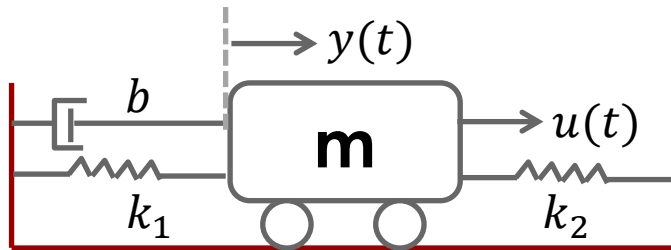
$$x(k+1) = f(x(k), u(k)) = Ax(k) + Bu(k),$$
$$y(k) = h(x(k), u(k)) = Cx(k) + Du(k),$$

for some matrices A, B, C, D

- **State-space modeling:**

- Find the functions $f(\cdot, \cdot), h(\cdot, \cdot)$
- Or find A, B, C, D matrices if the system is linear

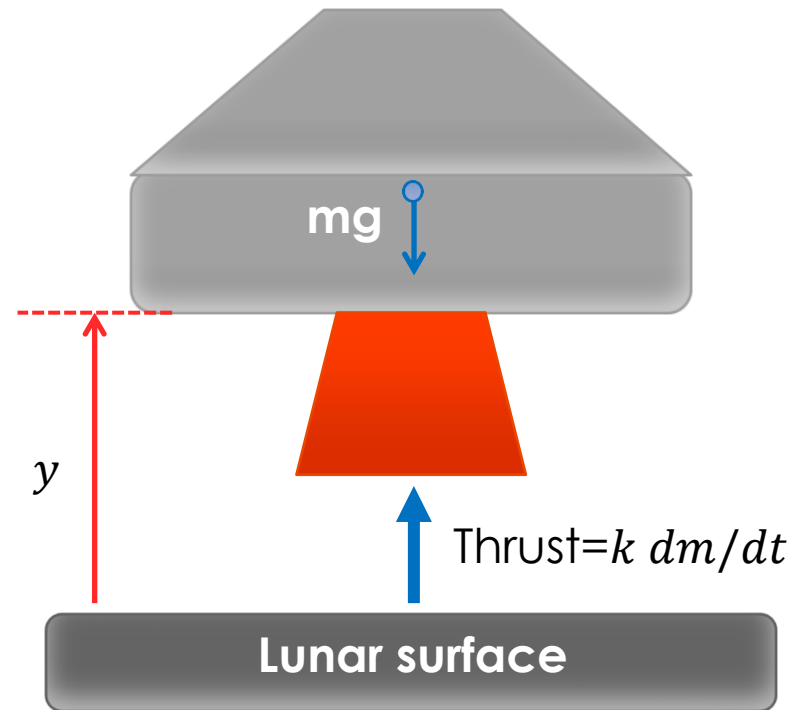
Example 1: Consider spring-damper cart system with zero initial conditions (initially at $y = 0$ and not moving). No friction



- Differential equation model

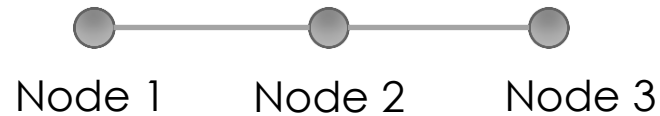
- State space model of Example 1 (infinitely many)

- **Example 2:** soft landing of a lunar module, $u = \frac{dm}{dt}$

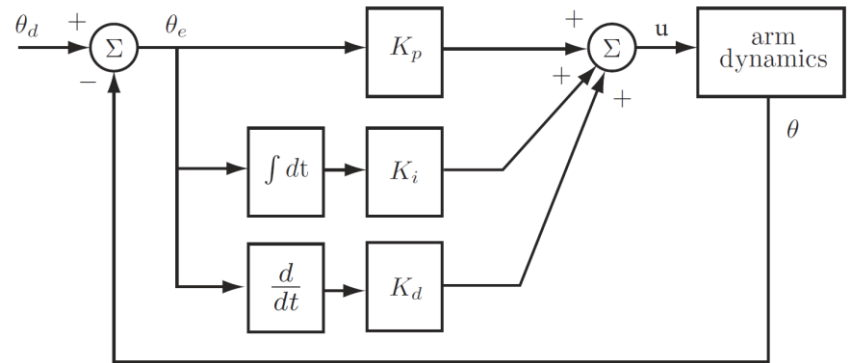
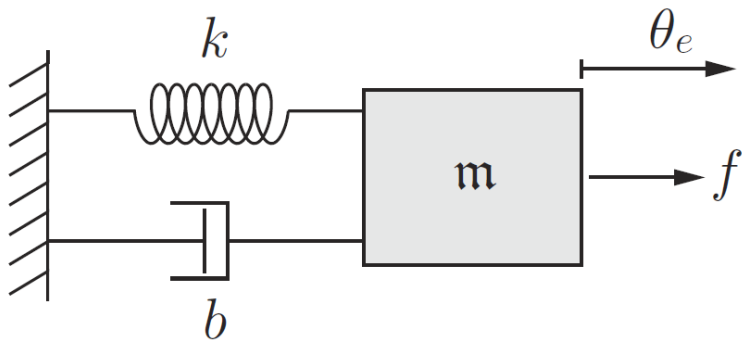


- **Example 3: Sensor Network**

- Each iteration, exchange measurements with neighbors
- The updated value is the average of its own value with the neighbors



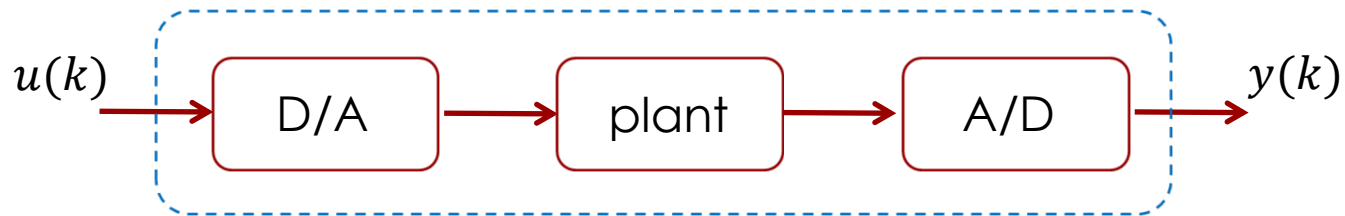
■ **Example 4:** PID for spring-damper system



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From continuous time to discrete time model



- Approximate differential equation with difference equation
 - Euler forward rule:

From continuous-time to discrete-time model

- General nonlinear case:

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u)$$

$$y = h(x, u)$$

From continuous-time to discrete-time model

- Linear case:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= A_c x + B_c u, \\ y &= C_c x + D_c u,\end{aligned}$$

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- Example of Jacobian matrix: $f(z) = \begin{bmatrix} 2z_1 + e^{z_2} \\ \log(z_3) + \frac{1}{z_2} \end{bmatrix}$, $\hat{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

- Taylor expansion of multivariate function

- General expression: $f(z) = f(\hat{z}) + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(z) \Big|_{z=\hat{z}} \right) \Delta z + \text{H.O.T}$



- Linearization around (\hat{x}, \hat{u}) using Taylor expansion:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, u) &\approx f(\hat{x}, \hat{u}) + \overbrace{\left(\frac{\partial f(x, u)}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=\hat{x}, u=\hat{u}} \right)}^{\hat{A}} \cdot \overbrace{(x - \hat{x})}^{\Delta x} + \overbrace{\left(\frac{\partial f(x, u)}{\partial u} \Big|_{x=\hat{x}, u=\hat{u}} \right)}^{\hat{B}} \cdot \overbrace{(u - \hat{u})}^{\Delta u} \\ &= \hat{A} \cdot \Delta x + \hat{B} \cdot \Delta u + f(\hat{x}, \hat{u}) \end{aligned}$$

$$h(x, u) \approx h(\hat{x}, \hat{u}) + \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial h(x, u)}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=\hat{x}, u=\hat{u}} \right)}_{\hat{C}} \cdot \underbrace{(x - \hat{x})}_{\Delta x} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial h(x, u)}{\partial u} \Big|_{x=\hat{x}, u=\hat{u}} \right)}_{\hat{D}} \cdot \underbrace{(u - \hat{u})}_{\Delta u}$$

$$\Delta y := y - h(\hat{x}, \hat{u}) \approx \hat{C} \cdot \Delta x + \hat{D} \cdot \Delta u$$

■ **Example:**
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(k+1) \\ x_2(k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(x_2(k)) + \cos(u_2(k)) \\ x_1(k)x_2(k) + u_1u_2(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y(k) = \cos(x_2(k)) + 2x_1(k) \quad \hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \hat{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{\pi}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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- **From state space to transfer function**

$$x(k + 1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k)$$

$$y(k) = Cx(k) + Du(k)$$

- Let $X(z), U(Z), Y(z)$ be the z-transforms of $x(k), u(k), y(k)$
- z-transform: $X(z) \triangleq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(k)z^{-k}$

- **From state space to transfer function**

$$x(k + 1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k)$$

$$y(k) = Cx(k) + Du(k)$$

- Recall: if $x(k) \leftrightarrow X(z)$, then $x(k + 1) \leftrightarrow zX(z) - zx(0)$

- **From transfer function to state space model**

- **Realization problem:** given transfer function $H(z)$, find (A, B, C, D)

- **Single-input-single-output system:**

$$H(z) = \frac{b_n z^n + b_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + b_1 z + b_0}{z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0}$$

- **Procedure:**

- First write the transfer function in the above canonical form
- One possible realization is:

- **Example:** $y(k + 1) + 3y(k - 2) = 2u(k - 1)$
 - First find transfer function: