

ECE 2646: Linear System Theory (3 Credits, Fall 2009)

Lecture 2: Mathematical Description of Systems

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Outline of this lecture

- A list of references for control theory
- Homework 1
- Review of last lecture
- Categories of systems
- Linear systems
- Linear time-invariant systems

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A list of references

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Homework 1

- Problems 2.6, 2.10, 2.11, 2.12, and 2.17
- Due Wednesday 9/23 in class (two weeks later)

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Review of last lecture

- Important concepts from classical control
 - Control system

A band called
Control Theory



“Control Theory: The study of how to manipulate the parameters affecting the behavior of a system to produce the desired outcome.”

“The music will make you feel something, strike a chord inside, and also make you want to move.”

Cited from <http://www.control-theory.com/bio.html> 5

Review of last lecture

- Important concepts from classical control
 - Control system
 - Feedback (advantages and disadvantages?)
 - Dynamical system

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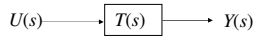
Review of last lecture

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- Transfer function

- Definition



$$T(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)}$$

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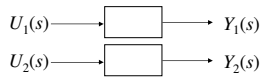
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Question: For any system, is it always true that

$$\frac{Y_1(s)}{U_1(s)} = \frac{Y_2(s)}{U_2(s)}?$$

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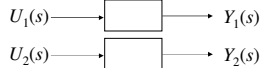
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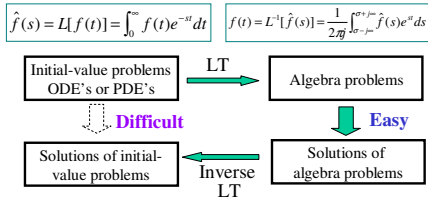
Question: For an LTI (linear time-invariant) system, is it always true that

$$\frac{Y_1(s)}{U_1(s)} = \frac{Y_2(s)}{U_2(s)}? \quad \text{Can you prove your conclusion?}$$

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- Important concepts from classical control
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$$\hat{f}(s) = L[f(t)] = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt \quad f(t) = L^{-1}[\hat{f}(s)] = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\sigma-j\infty}^{\sigma+j\infty} \hat{f}(s)e^{st} ds$$

We seldom use the equation on the right to calculate an inverse Laplace transform; instead we use the equation of Laplace transform to construct a table of transforms for useful time functions. Then we use the table to find the inverse transform.

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Time domain	Frequency domain
$\delta(t)$?
$u(t)$ or $1(t)$?
e^{-at}	?
$e^{-at} \sin(\omega t)$?

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Time domain	Frequency domain
$\delta(t)$	1
$u(t)$ or $1(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$
e^{-at}	$\frac{1}{s+a}$
$e^{-at} \sin(\omega t)$	$\frac{\omega}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$

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- Important concepts from classical control
 - Control system
 - Feedback
 - Dynamical system
 - Transfer function
 - Definition
 - Laplace transform and inverse Laplace transform
 - Partial fraction expansion of a rational function (please refer to the note for Lecture 2 of ECE 1673: <http://www.engr.pitt.edu/electrical/faculty-staff/mao/1673/lectures/lecture2.pdf>)

Example:
$$F(s) = \frac{N(s)}{\prod_{i=1}^n (s-p_i)} = \frac{k_1}{s-p_1} + \dots + \frac{k_n}{s-p_n},$$
 where $k_j = (s-p_j)F(s)|_{s=p_j}$.

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 - Transfer function
 - Definition
 - Laplace transform and inverse Laplace transform
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 - Useful theorems of Laplace transform

<p>Differential theorem</p> $L\left[\frac{df}{dt}\right] = s\hat{f}(s) - f(0^-),$ <p>where $f(0^-) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} f(t), t < 0$</p>	<p>Integral theorem</p> $L\left[\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau\right] = \frac{\hat{f}(s)}{s}$
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Question: What are the transfer functions of differentiator and integrator, respectively?

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Shift theorem	Frequency shift theorem
$L[f(t-t_0)u(t-t_0)] = e^{-t_0 s} \hat{f}(s)$	$L[e^{-at} f(t)] = \hat{f}(s+a)$

Question: What is the transfer function of a pure time delay unit?

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Theorem of convolution integral

$$L^{-1}[\hat{f}_1(s)\hat{f}_2(s)] = \int_0^t f_1(t-\tau)f_2(\tau)d\tau = \int_0^t f_1(\tau)f_2(t-\tau)d\tau$$

Convolution product in the time domain \Leftrightarrow Product in the frequency domain

Review of last lecture

- Important concepts from classical control
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 - Time-domain analysis (e.g. root-locus plot)
 - Frequency-domain analysis (e.g. Bode plot and Nyquist diagram)

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- **Stability**
 - Bounded-input, bounded-output (BIBO) stability

Criterion for BIBO stability: A linear time-invariant system is BIBO stable provided all roots of the system characteristic equation (poles of the closed-loop transfer function) lie in the left half of the s -plane [Why?]

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$$U(s) \longrightarrow \boxed{T(s)} \longrightarrow Y(s) \quad T(s) = \frac{P(s)}{Q(s)}, \quad Q(s) = a_n \prod_{i=1}^n (s - p_i)$$

$$Y(s) = T(s)U(s) = \frac{P(s)}{a_n \prod_{i=1}^n (s - p_i)} \quad U(s) = \frac{k_1}{s - p_1} + \dots + \frac{k_n}{s - p_n} + Y_f(s)$$

Characteristic equation: $Q(s) = 0$
 System roots or system poles: $p_i, i = 1, \dots, n$
 Forced response: $Y_f(s)$ [the sum of terms, in the partial-fraction expansion, that originate in the poles of $U(s)$]

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- Important concepts from classical control
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 - Transfer function
 - Time-domain analysis
 - Frequency-domain analysis
 - Stability
- **Sensitivity**
- Commonly used controllers

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Review of last lecture

- Important concepts from classical control
- What is new in this course?
 - State-space description

Question: What are the advantages of using state-space approaches?

- State-space form is a convenient way to work with complex dynamics; matrix format is easy to use on computers
- Transfer functions only deal with input/output behavior, while state-space form provides easy access to the internal features and response of the system
- State-space approach is great for MIMO (multi-input multi-output) system, which are very hard to work with using transfer functions

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- State space can be used to study more general models: The ODEs do not have to be linear
- State space introduces the ideas of geometry into differential equations (remember the phase plane in physics?)

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$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) &= \mathbf{A}(t)\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}(t)\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) &= \mathbf{C}(t)\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}(t)\mathbf{u}(t) \end{aligned}$$

- Feedback based on state variables (e.g., $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}$)
- State-space based time-domain techniques

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Review of last lecture

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- **Review of linear algebra (I)**

- **Exercise:** Find the determinant of the following matrix

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^{n-1} & \lambda_2^{n-1} & \dots & \lambda_n^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 & \dots & \lambda_n \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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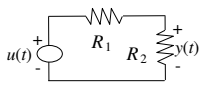
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 - A system is called a memoryless system if its output $y(t_0)$ depends only on the input applied at t_0 ; it is independent of the input applied before or after t_0
 - **Example:** A matrix can be interpreted as a memoryless system relating an input vector to an output vector



Question: Does a purely resistive circuit (shown in the left, with $u(t)$ as input and $y(t)$ as output) have memory? What if we add a capacitor in the circuit?

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 - **Question:** Does the following system have memory?

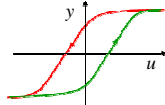
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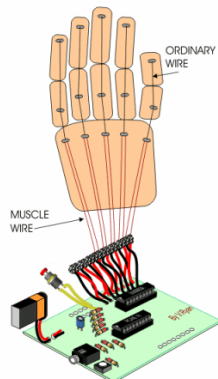
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Question: Does the following system have memory?
What if the green and red curves overlap each other?



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Smart material with memory



Picture from <http://www.technologystudent.com/equip1/sma2.htm>

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Question: Consider a discrete-time system that does the operation of smoothing its input signals by averaging as follows:

$$y[t] = \frac{x[t-1] + x[t] + x[t+1]}{3}$$

Is this system causal?

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 - **The state summarizes the effect of past input on future output: Using the state at t_0 , we can express the input and output of a system as**

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}(t_0) \\ \mathbf{u}(t), t \geq t_0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbf{y}(t), t \geq t_0$$

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- **Lumped system and distributed system**
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 - **Example:**

$$m \frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} = u(t)$$

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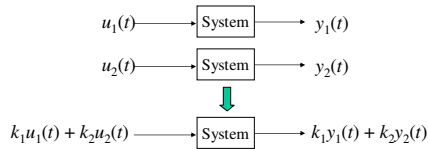
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 - Example: $y(t) = u(t-1)$

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Linear systems

- **Definition**
 - A system is linear if superposition applies

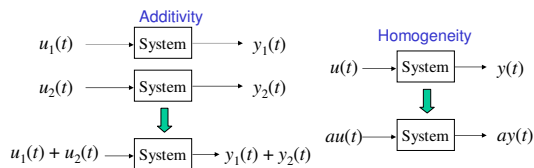


Question: Is $y(t) = u(t) + 2$ a linear system?

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Linear systems

- **Definition**
 - Equivalently, a system is linear if the additivity and homogeneity properties hold



Question: Can additivity be derived from homogeneity?
Can homogeneity be derived from additivity?

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Linear systems

- Definition
 - A system is called a **linear system** if for every t_0 and any two state-input-output pairs

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}_i(t_0) \\ \mathbf{u}_i(t), t \geq t_0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbf{y}_i(t), t \geq t_0$$

for $i = 1, 2$, we have

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \alpha_1 \mathbf{x}_1(t_0) + \alpha_2 \mathbf{x}_2(t_0) \\ \alpha_1 \mathbf{u}_1(t) + \alpha_2 \mathbf{u}_2(t), t \geq t_0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \alpha_1 \mathbf{y}_1(t) + \alpha_2 \mathbf{y}_2(t), t \geq t_0$$

for any real constants α_1 and α_2

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Linear systems

- Definition
- Zero-input response and zero-state response
 - Zero-input response

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}(t_0) \\ \mathbf{u}(t) = 0, t \geq t_0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbf{y}_{zi}(t), t \geq t_0$$

– Zero-state response

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}(t_0) = 0 \\ \mathbf{u}(t), t \geq t_0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbf{y}_{zs}(t), t \geq t_0$$

Response = zero-input response + zero-state response

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Linear systems

- Definition
- Zero-input response and zero-state response
- Input-output description

For a linear SISO system:

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(t, \tau) u(\tau) d\tau$$

In the above equation, $g(t, \tau)$ is the response excited by an impulse and is called the impulse response. In $g(t, \tau)$, the first variable denotes the time at which the output is observed, and the second variable denotes the time at which the impulse input is applied.

Question: Can you prove the above equation? (Hint: page 9 of the text book)

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Linear systems

- Definition
- Zero-input response and zero-state response

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Question: If the system is causal, what is the value of $g(t, \tau)$ for $t < \tau$?

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Linear systems

- Definition
- Zero-input response and zero-state response

• Input-output description

For a linear, causal, SISO system:

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t g(t, \tau) u(\tau) d\tau$$

Causal $\Leftrightarrow g(t, \tau) = 0$ for $t < \tau$

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Linear systems

- Definition
- Zero-input response and zero-state response

• Input-output description

For a linear, causal, SISO system relaxed at t_0 :

$$y(t) = \int_{t_0}^t g(t, \tau) u(\tau) d\tau$$

A system is said to be relaxed at t_0 if its initial state is 0 at t_0

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Linear systems

- Definition
- Zero-input response and zero-state response
- Input-output description

- **Impulse response matrix**

For a linear, causal, MIMO system (with p input and q output) relaxed at t_0 :

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \int_{t_0}^t \mathbf{G}(t, \tau) \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\mathbf{G}(t, \tau) = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11}(t, \tau) & g_{12}(t, \tau) & \cdots & g_{1p}(t, \tau) \\ g_{21}(t, \tau) & g_{22}(t, \tau) & \cdots & g_{2p}(t, \tau) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ g_{q1}(t, \tau) & g_{q2}(t, \tau) & \cdots & g_{qp}(t, \tau) \end{bmatrix}$$

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Linear time-invariant systems

- **Definition**

- A system is said to be time invariant if for every state-input-output pair

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}(t_0) \\ \mathbf{u}(t), t \geq t_0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbf{y}(t), t \geq t_0$$

and any T , we have

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}(t_0 + T) \\ \mathbf{u}(t - T), t \geq t_0 + T \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbf{y}(t - T), t \geq t_0 + T$$

- The above definition means that if the initial state is shifted to time $t_0 + T$ and the same input waveform is applied from $t_0 + T$, the output waveform will be the same except that it starts to appear from time $t_0 + T$

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- **Examples** of time-variant systems: burning rocket and brain

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Linear time-invariant systems

• Definition

• Input-output description

For a causal, SISO, LTI system relaxed at 0:

$$g(t, \tau) = g(t+T, \tau+T) = g(t-\tau, 0) \equiv g(t-\tau)$$

$$y(t) = \int_0^t g(t, \tau) u(\tau) d\tau \rightarrow y(t) = \int_0^t g(t-\tau) u(\tau) d\tau$$

Convolution integral

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Linear time-invariant systems

• Definition

• Input-output description

Question: If an LTI system is causal, what is the value of $g(t)$ for $t < 0$?

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Linear time-invariant systems

• Definition

• Input-output description

The condition for an LTI system to be causal is $g(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$

Question: The impulse response of an ideal lowpass filter is given by

$$g(t) = 2\omega \frac{\sin 2\omega(t-t_0)}{2\omega(t-t_0)}$$

Is the ideal lowpass filter causal?

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Linear time-invariant systems

- Definition
- Input-output description

- **Transfer-function matrix**

For a causal, MIMO, LTI system (with p input and q output) relaxed at 0:

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}(s) = \hat{\mathbf{G}}(s)\hat{\mathbf{u}}(s)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{G}}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{g}_{11}(s) & \hat{g}_{12}(s) & \cdots & \hat{g}_{1p}(s) \\ \hat{g}_{21}(s) & \hat{g}_{22}(s) & \cdots & \hat{g}_{2p}(s) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \hat{g}_{q1}(s) & \hat{g}_{q2}(s) & \cdots & \hat{g}_{qp}(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

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