Chapter 2 Systems Defined by Differential or Difference Equations

Linear I/O Differential Equations with Constant Coefficients

• Consider the CT SISO system

$$x(t)$$
 System $y(t)$

described by

$$y^{(N)} + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} a_i y^{(i)}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{M} b_i x^{(i)}(t)$$

$$a_i \in \mathbb{R}, b_i \in \mathbb{R} \quad y^{(i)}(t) \doteq \frac{d^i y(t)}{dt^i} \quad x^{(i)}(t) \doteq \frac{d^i x(t)}{dt^i}$$

Initial Conditions

In order to solve the previous equation for t > 0, we have to know the N initial conditions

$$y(0), y^{(1)}(0), ..., y^{(N-1)}(0)$$

Initial Conditions - Cont'd

• If the *M*-th derivative of the input x(t) contains an impulse $k\delta(t)$ or a derivative of an impulse, the N initial conditions must be taken at time $t = 0^-$, i.e.,

$$y(0^-), y^{(1)}(0^-), \dots, y^{(N-1)}(0^-)$$

First-Order Case

• Consider the following differential equation:

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + ay(t) = bx(t)$$

Its solution is

$$y(t) = y(0)e^{-at} + \int_{0}^{t} e^{-a(t-\tau)}bx(\tau)d\tau, \quad t \ge 0$$
or
$$y(t) = y(0^{-})e^{-at} + \int_{0^{-}}^{t} e^{-a(t-\tau)}bx(\tau)d\tau, \quad t \ge 0$$

if the initial time is taken to be 0

Generalization of the First-Order Case

• Consider the equation:

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + ay(t) = b_1 \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + b_0 x(t)$$

- Define $q(t) = y(t) b_1 x(t)$
- Differentiating this equation, we obtain

$$\frac{dq(t)}{dt} = \frac{dy(t)}{dt} - b_1 \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$$

Generalization of the First-Order Case – Cont'd

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + ay(t) = b_1 \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + b_0 x(t)$$

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$$\frac{dq(t)}{dt} = \frac{dy(t)}{dt} - b_1 \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$$

$$=$$

$$\frac{dq(t)}{dt} = -ay(t) + b_0 x(t)$$

Generalization of the First-Order Case – Cont'd

• Solving
$$q(t) = y(t) - b_1 x(t)$$
 for $y(t)$ it is

$$y(t) = q(t) + b_1 x(t)$$

which, plugged into $\frac{dq(t)}{dt} = -ay(t) + b_0 x(t)$, yields

$$\frac{dq(t)}{dt} = -a(q(t) + b_1 x(t)) + b_0 x(t) =$$

$$= -aq(t) + (b_0 - ab_1)x(t)$$

Generalization of the First-Order Case – Cont'd

If the solution of
$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + ay(t) = bx(t)$$

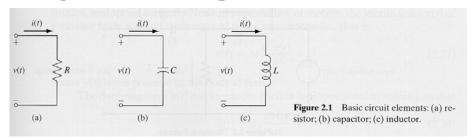
is
$$y(t) = y(0)e^{-at} + \int_{0}^{t} e^{-a(t-\tau)}bx(\tau)d\tau, \quad t \ge 0$$

then the solution of $\frac{dq(t)}{dt} = -aq(t) + (b_0 - ab_1)x(t)$

is

$$q(t) = q(0)e^{-at} + \int_{0}^{t} e^{-a(t-\tau)}(b_0 - ab_1)x(\tau)d\tau, \quad t \ge 0$$

System Modeling - Electrical Circuits

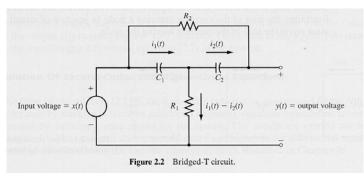


resistor
$$v(t) = Ri(t)$$

capacitor
$$\frac{dv(t)}{dt} = \frac{1}{C}i(t)$$
 or $v(t) = \frac{1}{C}\int_{-\infty}^{t}i(\tau)d\tau$

inductor
$$v(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt}$$
 or $i(t) = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-\infty}^{t} v(\tau) d\tau$

Example: Bridged-T Circuit



Kirchhoff's voltage law

loop (or mesh) equations
$$\begin{cases} v_{1}(t) + R_{1}(i_{1}(t) - i_{2}(t)) = x(t) \\ v_{1}(t) + v_{2}(t) + R_{2}i_{2}(t) = 0 \\ y(t) = x(t) + R_{2}i_{2}(t) \end{cases}$$

Mechanical Systems

• Newton's second Law of Motion:

$$x(t) = M \frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2}$$

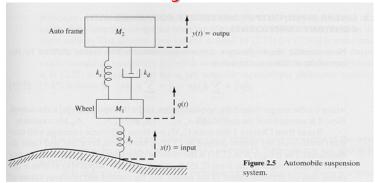
• Viscous friction:

$$x(t) = k_d \frac{dy(t)}{dt}$$

• Elastic force:

$$x(t) = k_s y(t)$$

Example: Automobile Suspension System



$$\begin{cases}
M_{1} \frac{d^{2}q(t)}{dt^{2}} + k_{t}[q(t) - x(t)] = k_{s}[y(t) - q(t)] + k_{d} \left[\frac{dy(t)}{dt} - \frac{dq(t)}{dt} \right] \\
M_{2} \frac{d^{2}y(t)}{dt^{2}} + k_{s}[y(t) - q(t)] + k_{d} \left[\frac{dy(t)}{dt} - \frac{dq(t)}{dt} \right] = 0
\end{cases}$$

Rotational Mechanical Systems

• Inertia torque:

$$x(t) = I \frac{d^2 \theta(t)}{dt^2}$$

• Damping torque:

$$x(t) = k_{d} \frac{d\theta(t)}{dt}$$

• Spring torque:

$$x(t) = k_s \theta(t)$$

Linear I/O Difference Equation With Constant Coefficients

Consider the DT SISO system

$$x[n] \longrightarrow \text{System} \longrightarrow y[n]$$

described by

$$y[n] + \sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i y[n-i] = \sum_{i=0}^{M} b_i x[n-i]$$

 $a_i \in \mathbb{R}, \, b_i \in \mathbb{R}$ N is the order or dimension of the system

Solution by Recursion

• Unlike linear I/O differential equations, linear I/O difference equations can be solved by direct numerical procedure (*N*-th order recursion)

$$y[n] = -\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_{i} y[n-i] + \sum_{i=0}^{M} b_{i} x[n-i]$$

(recursive DT system or recursive digital filter)

Solution by Recursion – Cont'd

• The solution by recursion for $n \ge 0$ requires the knowledge of the N initial conditions

$$y[-N], y[-N+1], ..., y[-1]$$

and of the M initial input values

$$x[-M], x[-M+1], ..., x[-1]$$

Analytical Solution

• Like the solution of a constant-coefficient differential equation, the solution of

$$y[n] = -\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i y[n-i] + \sum_{i=0}^{M} b_i x[n-i]$$

can be obtained analytically in a closed form and expressed as

$$y[n] = y_{zi}[n] + y_{zs}[n]$$

(total response = zero-input response + zero-state response)

• Solution method presented in ECE 464/564