

Fundamentals of Control

Transfer function and reference inputs

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Review

- State space mode (quiz?);
- Laplace transform.

$$\mathcal{L}[f(t)] = F(s) = \int_{0-}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt.$$

- Laplace transform:

$$\mathcal{L}[f(t)] = F(s) = \int_{0-}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt.$$

Inverse:

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}[F(s)] = f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\gamma-iT}^{\gamma+iT} F(s)e^{st} ds.$$

Q: How to understand?

Not easy to do. So, usually, we rely on a LT table...

Laplace table

Function	Laplace Transform
$\delta(t)$	1
$u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$
$tu(t)$	$\frac{1}{s^2}$
$e^{-at}u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s+a}$

Table: Table of Laplace Transforms

Laplace table

$\sin(\omega t)u(t)$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
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Q: What is the previous state space model using Laplace transform?

Laplace transform of matrix valued function

Suppose $z : \mathfrak{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}^{p \times q}$

Laplace transform: $Z = \mathfrak{L}(z)$, where $Z : D \subseteq \mathfrak{C} \rightarrow \mathfrak{C}^{p \times q}$ is defined by

$$Z(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} z(t) dt.$$

- integral of matrix is done term-by-term;
- convention: upper case denotes Laplace transform;
- D is the domain or region of convergence of Z ;
- D includes at least $\{s \mid \operatorname{Re}(s) > a\}$, where a satisfies $|z_{ij}(t)| \leq \alpha e^{\alpha t}$ for $t \geq 0$, $i = 1, \dots, p$, $j = 1, \dots, q$.

Derivative property

$$\mathfrak{L}(\dot{z}) = sZ(s) - z(0)$$

to derive, integrate by parts:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathfrak{L}(\dot{z})(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \dot{z}(t) dt \\ &= e^{-st} z(t) \Big|_{t=0}^{t \rightarrow \infty} + s \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} z(t) dt \\ &= sZ(s) - z(0).\end{aligned}$$

Laplace transform solution of $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$

Consider continuous-time time-invariant (TI) LDS

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x},$$

for $t \geq 0$, where $\mathbf{x}(t) \in \mathfrak{R}^n$,

- take Laplace transform: $s\mathbf{X}(s) - \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}(s)$;
- rewrite as $(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{X}(s) = \mathbf{x}(0)$;
- hence $\mathbf{X}(s) = (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{x}(0)$;
- take inverse transform

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathfrak{L}^{-1}((s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1})\mathbf{x}(0).$$

Resolvent and state transition matrix

- $(sI - A)^{-1}$ is called the **resolvent** of A .
- Resolvent defined for $s \in \mathfrak{C}$ except eigenvalues of A , i.e., s such that $\det(sI - A) = 0$.
- $\Phi(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}((sI - A)^{-1})$ is called the **state-transition matrix**; it maps the initial state to the state at time t :

$$x(t) = \Phi(t)x(0).$$

In other words, $x(t)$ is a linear function of initial state $x(0)$.

- Prepare a MATLAB demo of **expm** command.

Transfer function

Take Laplace transform of $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}u$:

$$s\mathbf{X}(s) - \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}(s) + \mathbf{B}U(s).$$

Hence

$$\mathbf{X}(s) = (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{x}(0) + (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{B}U(s),$$

so

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{t\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{x}(0) + \int_0^t e^{(t-\tau)\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{B}u(\tau)d\tau.$$

- $e^{t\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{x}(0)$ is the unforced or autonomous response;
- $e^{t\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{B}$ is called the input-to-state impulse response or impulse matrix;
- $(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{B}$ is called the input-to-state transfer function or transfer matrix.

Transfer function

With $y = Cx + Du$ we have:

$$Y(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}x(0) + (C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D)U(s),$$

so

$$y(t) = Ce^{tA}x(0) + \int_0^t Ce^{(t-\tau)A}Bu(\tau)d\tau + Du(t).$$

- Output term $Ce^{tA}x(0)$ due to initial condition;
- $G(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$ is called the transfer function or transfer matrix;
- $g(t) = Ce^{tA}B + D\delta(t)$ is called the impulse response or impulse matrix (δ is the Dirac delta function)

Transfer function

With zero initial condition we have:

$$Y(s) = G(s)U(s), \quad y = h * u,$$

where $*$ is convolution (of matrix valued functions).

Interpretation:

- G_{ij} is transfer function from input u_j to output y_i .

Inputs

The step function is defined by:

$$H(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < 0, \\ 1 & \text{if } t > 0. \end{cases}$$

The ramp function is defined as:

$$tH(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < 0, \\ t & \text{for } t \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Q: Why choose these signals as inputs?

Let us go back to Laplace transform table.

Plant Outputs–Example One

If the following function is defined from a mechanical analogy, determine the time domain signal. $F_1(s) = \frac{1}{(s + 3)^2}$.

Use the Laplace Transform table:

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2} \Rightarrow tH(t).$$

Using the frequency shift theorem:

$$F(s + a) = \frac{1}{(s + a)^2} \Rightarrow e^{-at}tH(t). \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{(s + 3)^2} \right) \Rightarrow e^{-3t}tH(t).$$

Q: What is the input signal?

Q: Draw the plot.

Plant Outputs—Example Two

Derive the output time history described by the Laplace function

$$F_1(s) = \frac{2}{(s+1)} - \frac{2}{(s+2)}.$$

Thus by using the Laplace tables we see:

$$f(t) = 2(e^{-t} - e^{-2t})H(t).$$

Q: Draw the plot.

Plant Outputs–Example Three

If the following output time history has been defined, what is the time domain signal? $F_1(s) = \frac{(s^3 + 2s^2 + 6s + 7)}{(s^2 + s + 5)}$.

$$F_1(s) = s + 1 + \frac{2}{(s^2 + s + 5)}$$

$$f_1(t) = \frac{d\delta(t)}{dt} + \delta(t) + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{(s^2 + s + 5)} \right)$$

By completing the squares:

$$f_1(t) = \frac{d\delta(t)}{dt} + \delta(t) + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{(s + 0.5)^2 + 4.75} \right).$$

$$f_1(t) = \frac{d\delta(t)}{dt} + \delta(t) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{4.75}} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{4.75}}{(s + 0.5)^2 + (\sqrt{4.75})^2} \right),$$

$$f_1(t) = \frac{d\delta(t)}{dt} + \delta(t) + 0.9177e^{-0.5t} \sin(2.179t)H(t).$$

Causality

interpretation of

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{t\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{x}(0) + \int_0^t e^{(t-\tau)\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{B}u(\tau)d\tau,$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}e^{t\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{x}(0) + \int_0^t \mathbf{C}e^{(t-\tau)\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{B}u(\tau)d\tau + \mathbf{D}u(t),$$

for $t \geq 0$:

current state ($\mathbf{x}(t)$) and output ($\mathbf{y}(t)$) depend on past input ($u(\tau)$ for $\tau \leq t$)

i.e., mapping from input to state and output is causal (with fixed initial state).

Causality

now consider fixed final state $\mathbf{x}(T)$: for $t \leq T$,

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{(t-T)A} \mathbf{x}(T) + \int_T^t e^{(t-\tau)A} \mathbf{B}u(\tau) d\tau,$$

i.e., current state (and output) depend on future input!

So for fixed final condition, the same system is anti-causal.

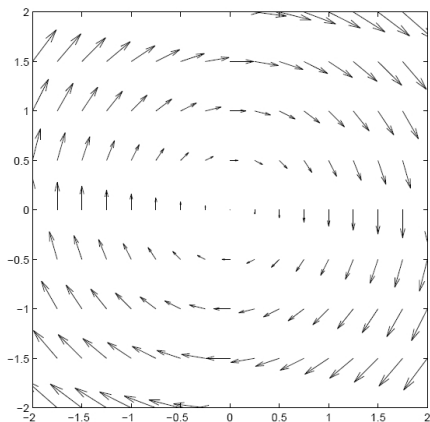
Idea of state

$x(t)$ is called state of system at time t since:

- future output depends only on current state and future input;
- future output depends on past input only through current state;
- state summarizes effect of past inputs on future output;
- state is bridge between past inputs and future outputs.

Math case – harmonic oscillator

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}.$$



Math case – harmonic oscillator

$sI - A = \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 \\ 1 & s \end{bmatrix}$, so resolvent is

$$(sI - A)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s}{s^2+1} & \frac{1}{s^2+1} \\ \frac{-1}{s^2+1} & \frac{s}{s^2+1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

(eigenvalues are $\pm i$).

State transition matrix is

$$\Phi(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \frac{s}{s^2+1} & \frac{1}{s^2+1} \\ \frac{-1}{s^2+1} & \frac{s}{s^2+1} \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix}.$$

A rotation matrix ($-t$ radians).

so we have $x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix} x(0)$.

- Transfer function.
- State space.
- From state space to transfer function.