

- Some more math tools.
- Laplace transform.
- Forcing functions.
- Familiarization with Octave.

- Suppose  $f(t)$  satisfies
 
$$\int_0^{\infty} |f(t)e^{-\sigma t}| dt < \infty$$
 for some finite real  $\sigma$

- Define the Laplace transform as

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$F(s) = \mathcal{L}[f(t)]$$

- Comparison

Time domain

$$f(t)$$

$$t \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

differential equation

Frequency domain

$$F(s)$$

$$s \in \mathbb{C}$$

algebraic equation

- We will apply Laplace transforms to LTI continuous-time systems to make our lives easier.

Looking to the future,  $z$ -transforms will be used in LTI discrete-time systems.

- Laplace transform theorems.

– multiplication by a constant

$$\mathcal{L}[kf(t)] = kF(s)$$

– sum and difference

$$\mathcal{L}[f_1(t) \pm f_2(t)] = F_1(s) \pm F_2(s)$$

– differentiation

$$\mathcal{L}\left[\frac{d}{dt}f(t)\right] = sF(s) - f(0)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left[\frac{d^n}{dt^n}f(t)\right] = s^n F(s) - s^{n-1}f(0) - \dots$$

$$- s f^{n-2}(0) - f^{n-1}(0)$$

• Laplace transform theorems.

– integration

$$\mathcal{L}\left[\int_0^t f(\tau)d\tau\right] = \frac{F(s)}{s}$$

– shift-in-time

$$\mathcal{L}[f(t-T)u_s(t-T)] = e^{-Ts}F(s)$$

– initial-value theorem

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sF(s)$$

– final value theorem

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sF(s)$$

• Laplace transform theorems.

– complex shifting

$$\mathcal{L}\left[e^{\mp at}f(t)\right] = F(s \pm a)$$

– real convolution

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(s)F_2(s) &= \mathcal{L}\left[\int_0^t f_1(\tau)f_2(t-\tau)d\tau\right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}[f_1(t) * f_2(t)] \end{aligned}$$

• Other important Laplace stuff.

– inverse Laplace transform.

– partial fraction expansions.

Forcing Functions

• Why do we want to study forcing functions?

Do we really want to deal with something like the following?



• Why not use standard inputs?

– step input.

– parabolic input (sometimes).

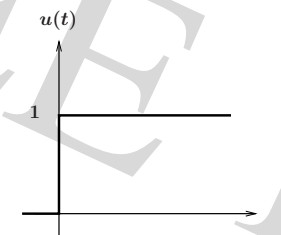
– ramp input.

– sinusoids.

Forcing Functions

• Step function.

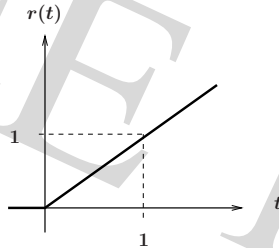
$$f(t) = u(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$$



$$F(s) = \mathcal{L}[u(t)] = \int_0^{\infty} u(t)e^{-st}dt = \left. -\frac{1}{s}e^{-st} \right|_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s}$$

- Ramp function.

$$f(t) = r(t) = \begin{cases} t, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$$



- Laplace transform of a ramp function?  $\mathcal{L}[r(t)] = ?$

- Sinusoids

$$f(t) = \sin(\omega t)$$

$$f(t) = \cos(\omega t)$$

- Laplace transforms of sine and cosine functions?

$$\mathcal{L}[\sin(\omega t)] = ?$$

$$\mathcal{L}[\cos(\omega t)] = ?$$

## Familiarization with Octave

- What is Octave?

- mathematical package suited for matrix operations.
- functionality has been extended by toolboxes.
- we are primarily interested in the control toolbox.

- Help

```
>> help
>> help [command name]
>> help plot
```

## Familiarization with Octave

- Variables

```
>> x = 3, y = 2*x
>> x = [1, 2, 3]
>> y = [1+j, 2+pi*i, -sqrt(-1)]
>> x(3)
```

- Vector operations

```
>> z = [4, 5, 6]
>> w = x + z
>> x'*z
>> x.*z
```

- Matrix operations

```
>> A = [1 2 3; 4 5 6; 7 8 9]
>> A(1,2)
>> A(1:2, 3)
>> A(3,:), A(:,2), A(1:2,:)
```

- Generating a series of numbers

```
>> t = 0:0.1:10
>> t = linspace(5,20,30)
>> t = logspace(1,100,30)
```

- Special names

```
>> eye(3, 3)
>> ones(2, 4)
>> zeros(2, 3)
```

- Plotting

```
>> t = 0:0.1:2*pi;
>> f = sin(t);
>> plot(t, f)
>> g = cos(t);
>> plot(t, f, t, g);
>> clf; plot(t, f), hold, plot(t, g)
```

- Simulations

```
>> [t,x] = ode23('xprime', [t0 tfinal], x0);
>> [t,x] = ode23('xprime', [0 10], [5; 0]);
```

- What is 'xprime'?

This is the m-file 'xprime.m' that contains the function for computing the derivative of the state variable,  $\dot{x}$ , based on the current state  $x$  and the input  $f$ .

- Recall state-space representation.

$$\dot{x} = \text{state term} + \text{input term}$$

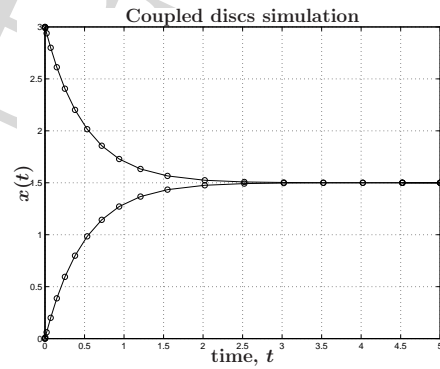
- From state-space representation, one can easily extract  $\dot{x}$  and compose 'xprime.m.'

- Example. Coupled discs model.

```
function xp = xprime(t, x);
B = 1; J1 = 1; J2 = 1;
xp = B*[-1/J1 1/J1; 1/J2 -1/J2]*x;
```

- Example. Coupled discs model.

```
>> ode23('xprime', [0 5], [3; 0]);
```



- Laplace transforms, an essential tool for control.
- What typical forcing functions do we encounter?
- How does Octave help us?