

# CMPE 240: Introduction to Linear Dynamical Systems (or Linear Operator Theory)

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# Overview

- Course Mechanics
- Outline and Topics
- What is a Linear Dynamical System (LDS)
- Why Study Linear Systems
- Some examples



# Course Mechanics

- All class info, lectures, homeworks, announcements, etc., on the class webpage at:
  - <https://classes.soe.ucsc.edu/cmpe240/Winter16/>
- Course Requirements:
- Weekly homeworks (hard)
- Takehome Midterm exam (24 hours, TBD)
- Takehome Final exam (24 hours, TBD)



# Prerequisites

- Exposure to Linear Algebra (AMS 27)
- Exposure to Differential Equations and Laplace Transforms
- Not required but useful:
  - Control Systems (CMPE 141/EE 154)
  - Circuit Analysis (EE70)
  - Dynamics and Statics (Physics 5/6)
  - Signals and Systems (EE103)



# Books

- Not required for the class, but excellent references:
  - Linear Algebra and its Applications, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, G. Strang (Harcourt, 1988), ISBN: 0155510053 (Abebooks.com ~\$7.14 including shipping)
  - Lecture Notes for Stanford's EE263 Class, by Steve Boyd, 2008/2009 (link on website)



# Major Topics and Outline

- Linear Algebra and Applications  $\xrightarrow{3-4\text{ weeks}}$
- Autonomous Linear Dynamical Systems  $\xrightarrow{\dot{x} = Ax}$
- Linear Dynamical Systems with Inputs and Outputs  $\xrightarrow{\dot{x} = Ax + Bu \quad y = Cx + Du}$
- Basic Quadratic Control and Estimation  $\xrightarrow{DNL}$

DNL



# Linear Dynamical System (1.3)

Vector Differential Equation

Continuous time linear dynamical system

$$\frac{d\bar{x}}{dt} = A(t)\bar{x}(t) + B(t)\bar{u}(t)$$

$\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$\mathbb{R}^m$  input or control

$$\bar{y}(t) = C(t)\bar{x}(t) + D(t)\bar{u}(t)$$

$t \rightarrow$  time  $\in \mathbb{R}$



$\underline{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$  state       $\underline{u}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$  control/input

## Linear Dynamical System (2.3)

$$A(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

"Dynamics Matrix"

$\underline{y}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^p$  output

$$B(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$$

Input Matrix

$$C(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$$

Output or Sensor Matrix

$$D(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times m}$$

Direct Feedthrough Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} = Ax + Bu \\ y = Cx + Du \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ u \end{bmatrix}$$





## Linear Dynamical System (3.3)

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

$$y = Cx + Du$$

STANFORD / ON TECH 1960's

$$\dot{x} = Fx + Gu$$

$$y = Hx + Ju$$

MIT / HARVARD 1960's



## Some LDS Terminology

Most linear systems are LINEAR TIME INVARIANT (LTI)

$A, B, C, D$  w/  $f(t)$ .

$\dot{x} = Ax$  ← autonomous LDS

very often  $D = \textcircled{0}^{p \times m}$  ← 0 with dimension

if  $u(t)$  and  $y(t)$  are both scalars ( $m=1, p=1$ )

SISO - single input, single output.

MIMO - multiple input multiple output  
 $p \neq 1, m \neq 1$ .



$$\underline{x}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\underline{x} (1.35)$$

## Discrete-time LDS

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{\underline{x}} &= A\underline{x} + B\underline{u} \\ \underline{y} &= C\underline{x} + D\underline{u} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{with order differential equation}$$

$$\underline{x}(t+1) = A(t)\underline{x}(t) + B(t)\underline{u}(t)$$

$$\underline{y}(t) = C(t)\underline{x}(t) + D(t)\underline{u}(t)$$

$$t \in \mathbb{Z} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$$

$$\underline{x}_{k+1} = A\underline{x}_k + B\underline{u}_k$$

$$\underline{y}_k = C\underline{x}_k + D\underline{u}_k$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \underline{x} &: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ & \text{with order recursion} \\ & \text{equation} \end{aligned} \right\}$$



Used to be super-complex, esoteric, not very used

## Why Study Linear Systems

max. interest

Applications are everywhere

- Automatic Control System
- Signal Processing (Kalman Filter)
- Communications
- Econ/Finance
- Circuit Analysis (SPICE)
- Finite Element Analysis (Mechanical (Civil/Aerospace))
- Aerodynamics (CFD)

- GPS - Navigation / Guidance  
- Machine Learning / Computer Vision



# Usefulness of LDS

Depends on our ability to do computations

Morris' law is on our side.

1980's ~  $n = 100$ .

$n = 100,000$

LAPACK



# Origins and History

Least Squares  $\rightarrow$  goes back to Gauss, Kowalewski 1600s

Linear Algebra  $\sim$  19<sup>th</sup> century

Chemical Optimal Control  $\sim$  19<sup>th</sup> century

Circuit Spins System - 1920's - Bell Labs

First Real Applications - Soviet Price Controls,  
Military / Space



# Non-linear Dynamical Systems

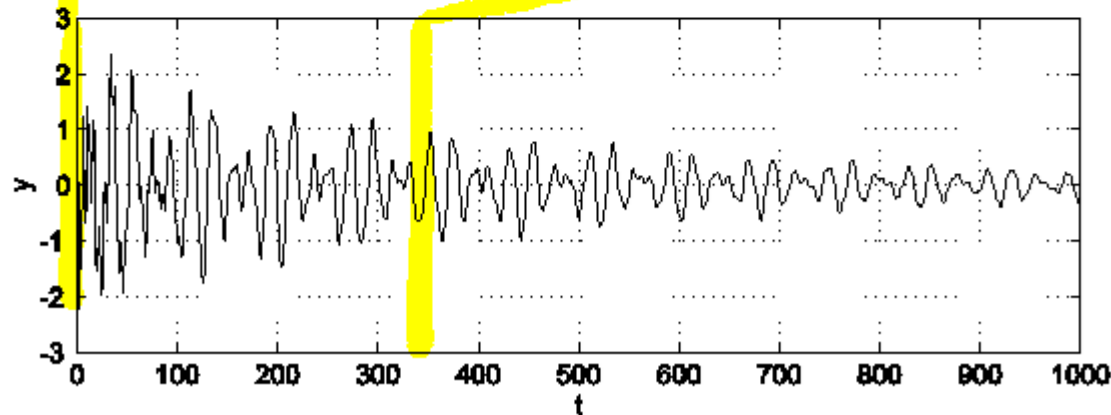
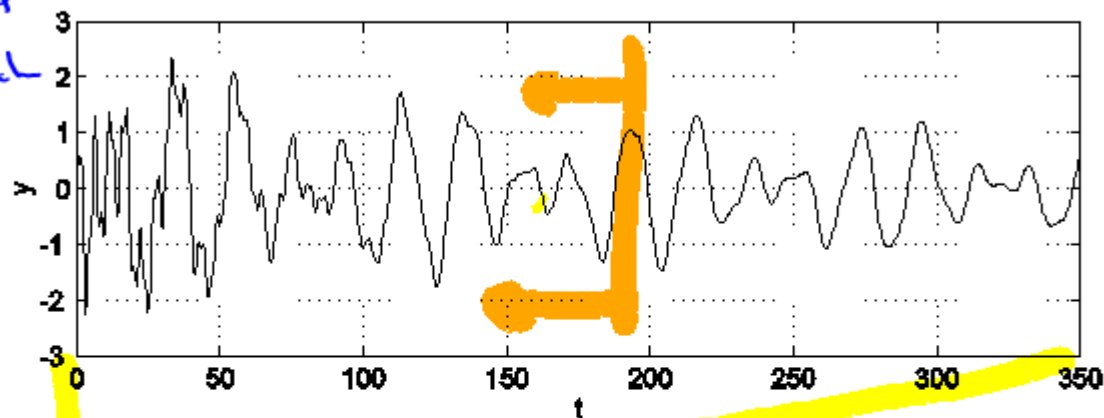
- Most systems are, in fact, non-linear
- Most of the techniques for solving non-linear systems are based on linear solutions.
- If you don't understand the linear stuff, you will never understand the non-linear.



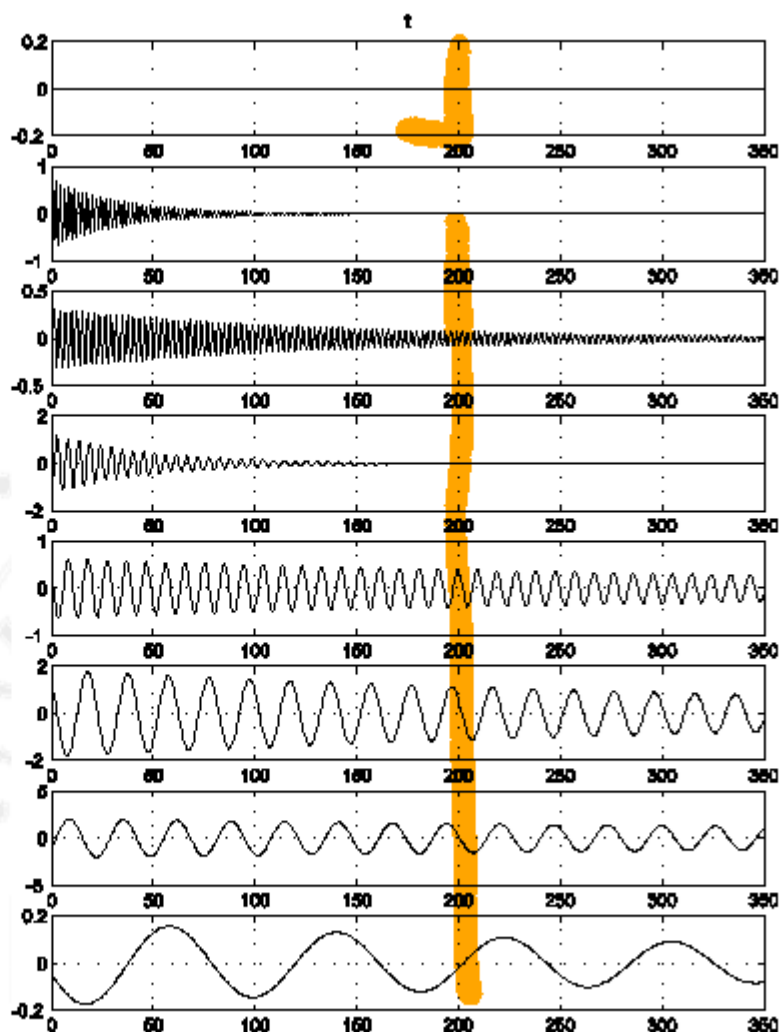
$n=16$

Speed of  
factorial

## Examples – Mechanical







# Input Design – Mechanical

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

$$y = Cx + Du$$

$$u \in \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu_{ss}$$

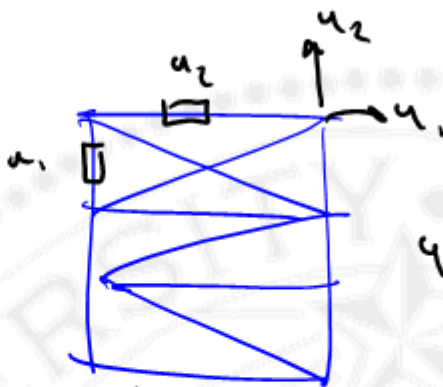
$$A \Delta x = -A B u_{ss}$$

$$x_{ss} = -A^{-1} B u_{ss}$$

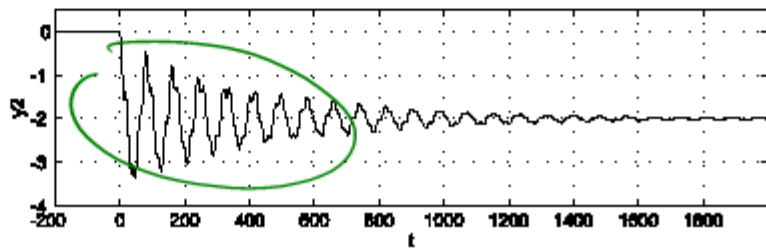
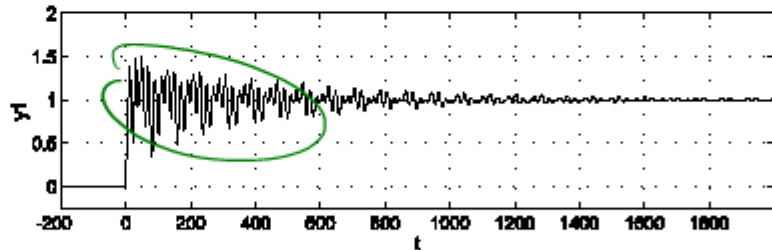
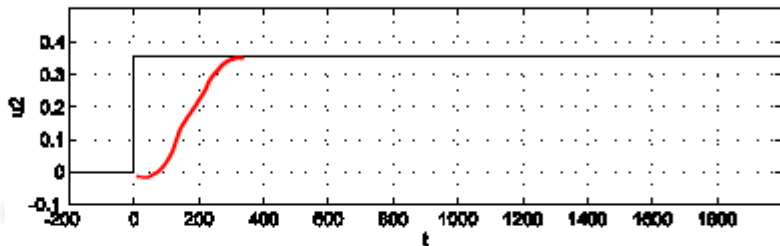
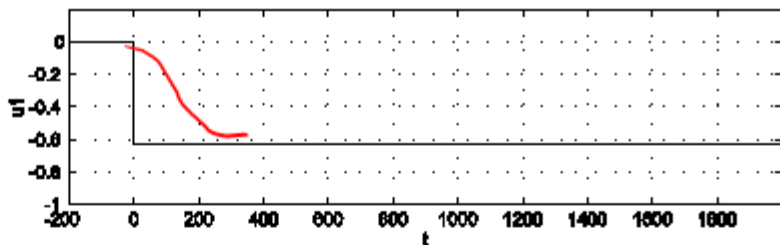
$$y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y_{ss} = C x_{ss} = -C A^{-1} B u_{ss}$$

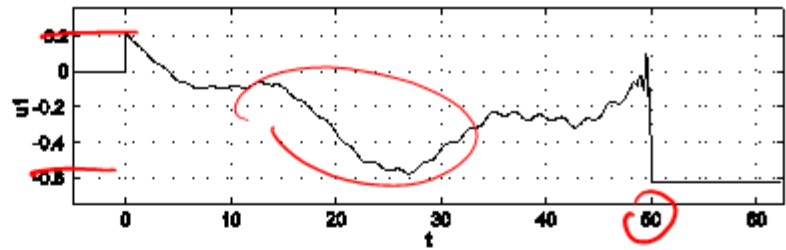
$$u_{ss} = -[C A^{-1} B]^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -0.63 \\ 0.36 \end{bmatrix}$$



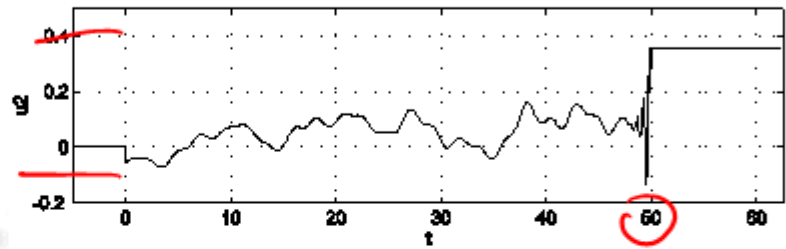
$$u_{r1} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.63 \\ +0.31 \end{bmatrix}$$



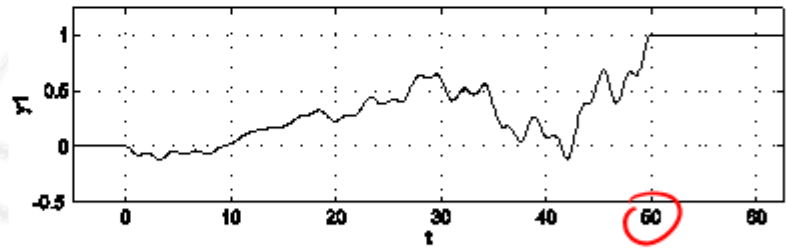
$u_1 \rightarrow$



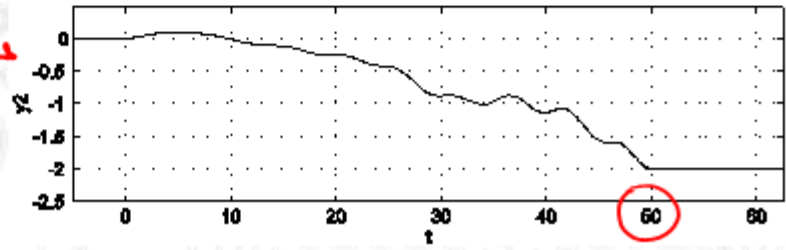
$u_2 \rightarrow$

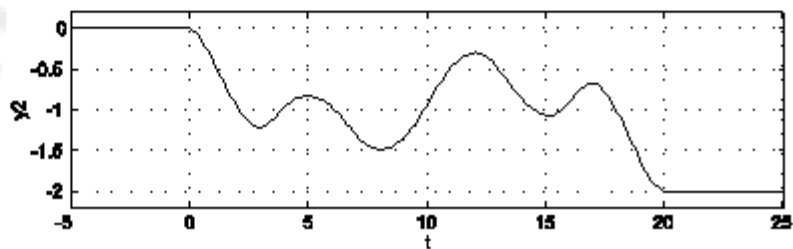
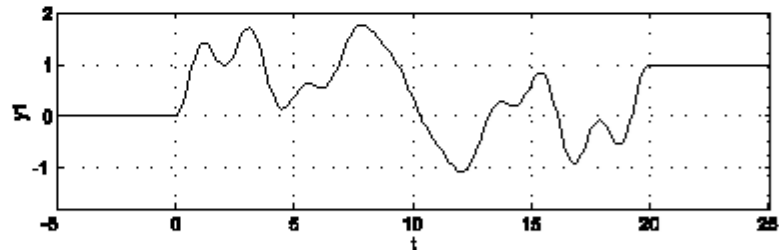
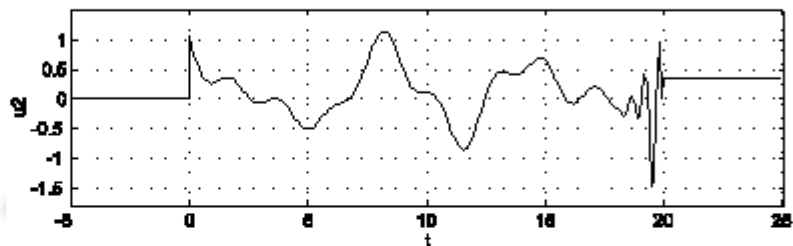
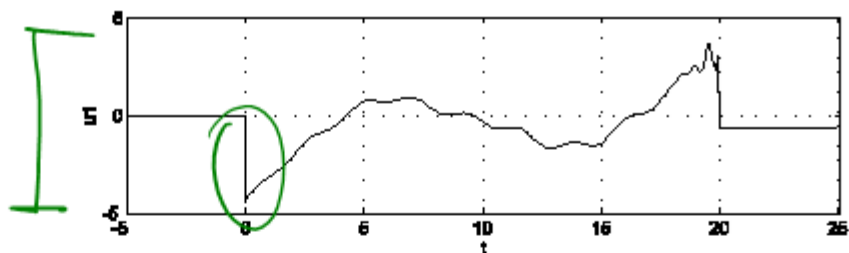
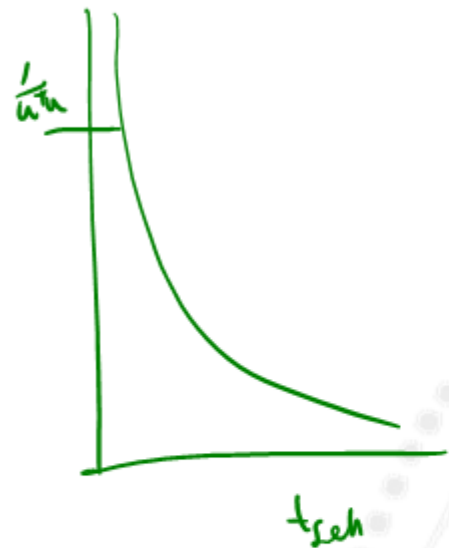


$y_1 \rightarrow$

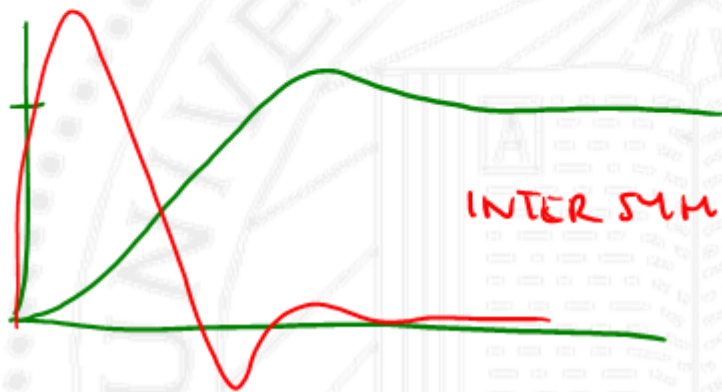
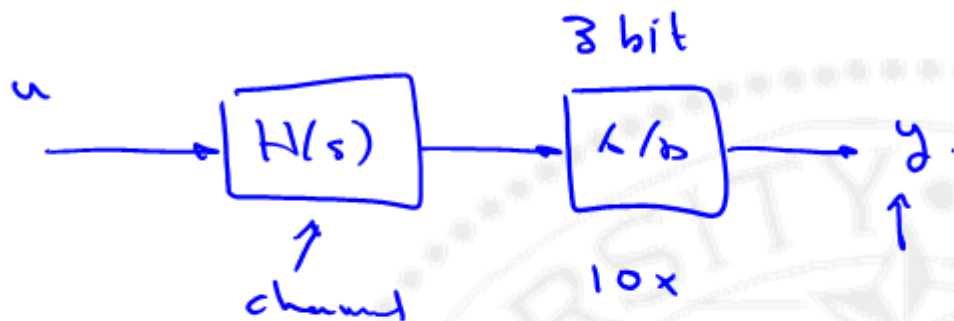


$y_2 \rightarrow$



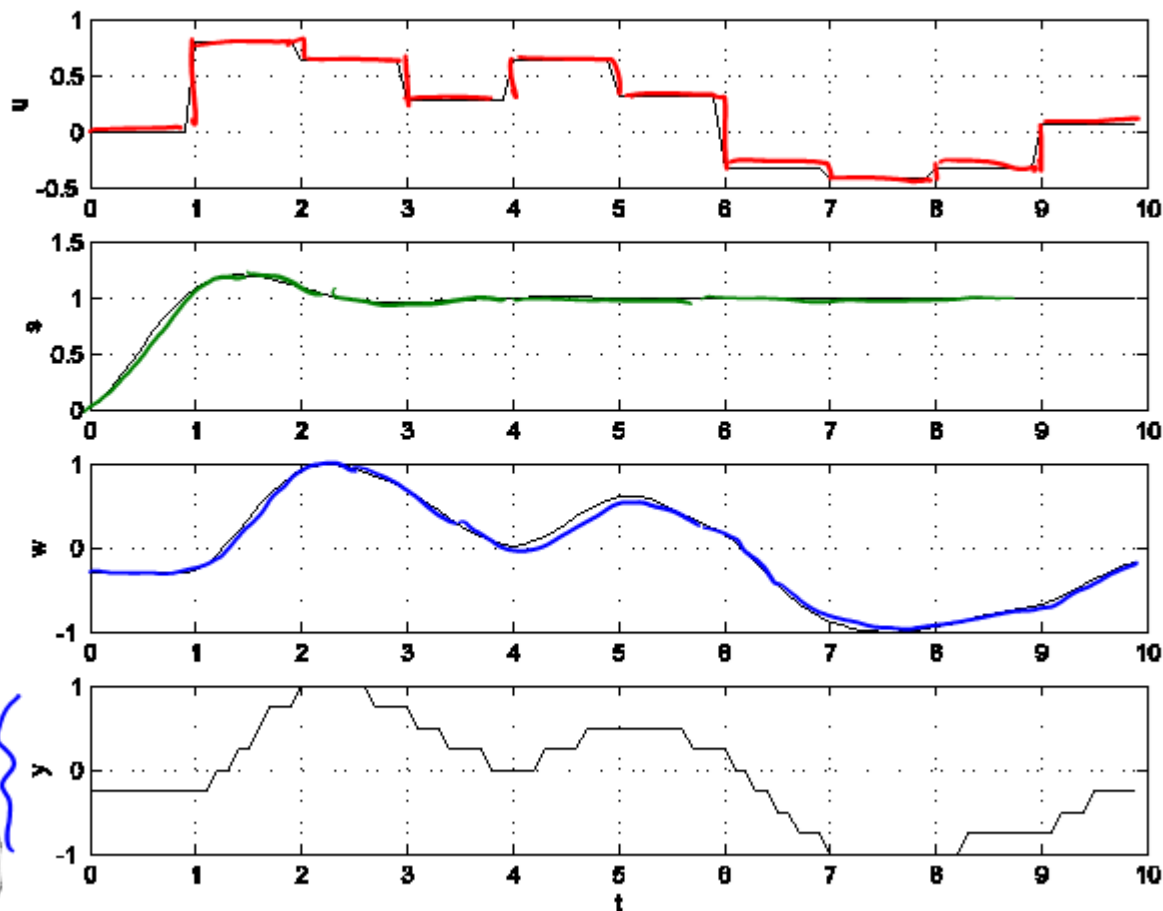


# Estimation / Filtering



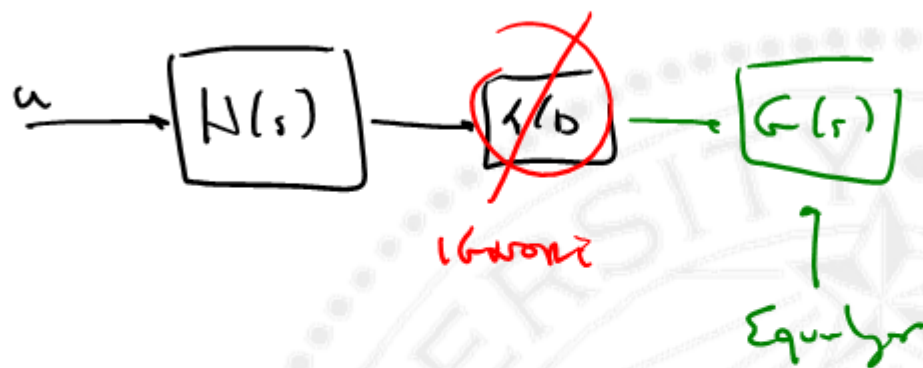
INTER SYMBOL INTERFERENCE.





# Simple Approach

$$\frac{0.25v}{1 \pm 0.125}$$



$$G(s)W(s) \approx \text{[Symbol]}$$

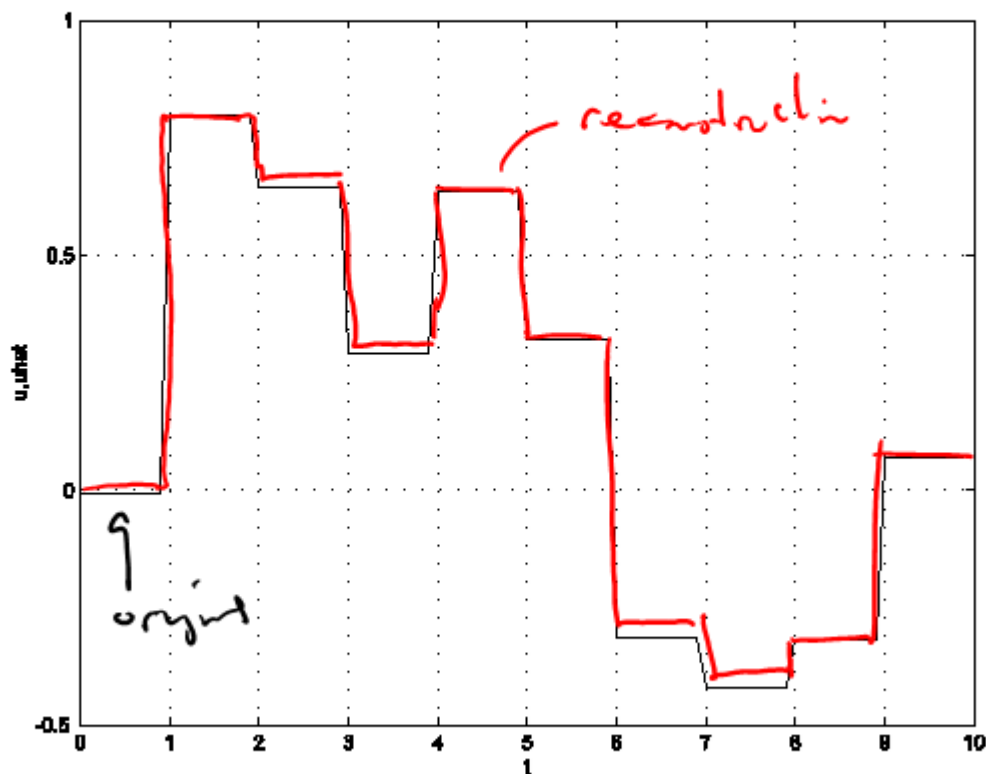
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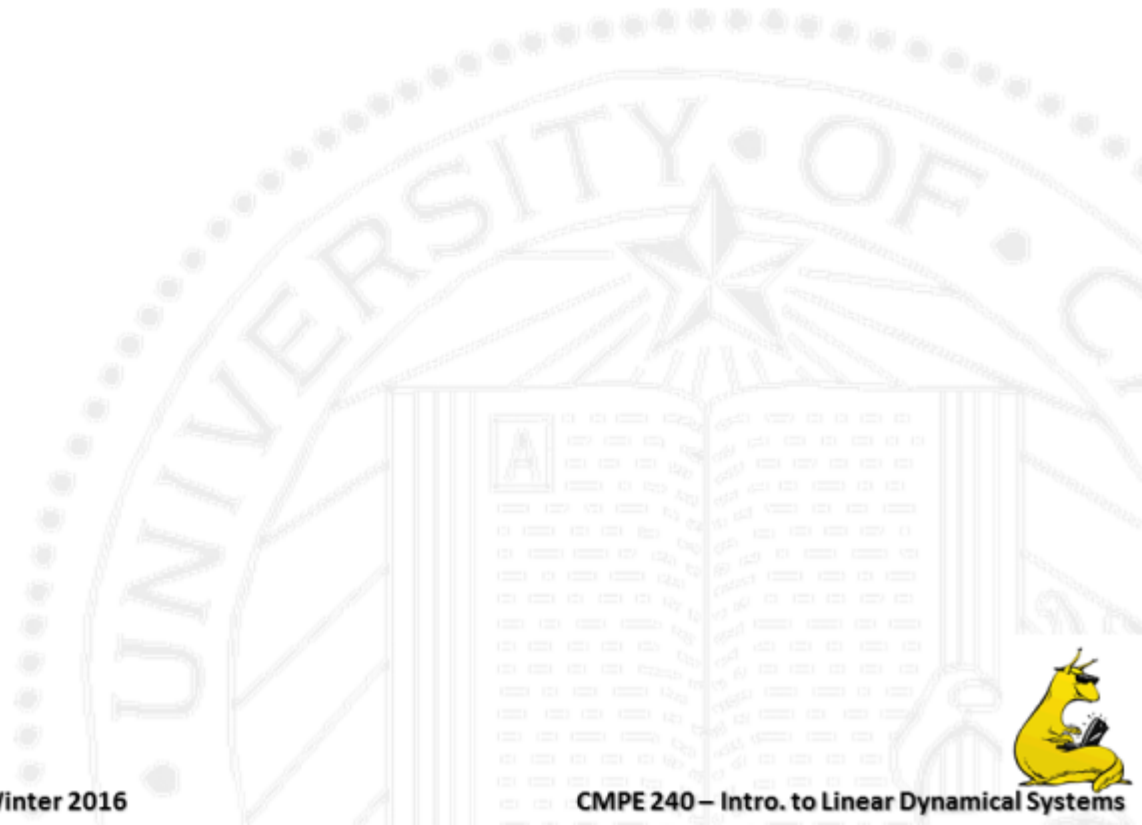
# Estimation Approach

RMS  $\sim 0.02$  V



Questions?





# Linear Functions and Examples

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# Linear Functions and Examples

- Linear equations and functions
- Engineering Examples
- Interpretations



# Linear Equations

$m$ -equations       $n$ -variables or unknowns

$$y = Ax$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$\downarrow$   
 $y$   
 $m \times 1$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $A$

$$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & & \downarrow \\ y & = & Ax \\ \uparrow & & \downarrow \\ m \times 1 & & n \times n \end{matrix}$$



# Interpretations

$$y = Ax$$

$y$  is a measurt or observation;  $x$  is an unknown to be determined

$A$  maps parameters to measurements

$x$  is an input or action;  $y$  is output or the result

$A$  defines a function or transformation that

maps  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$



# Linear Functions

~~$x + f(x)$~~

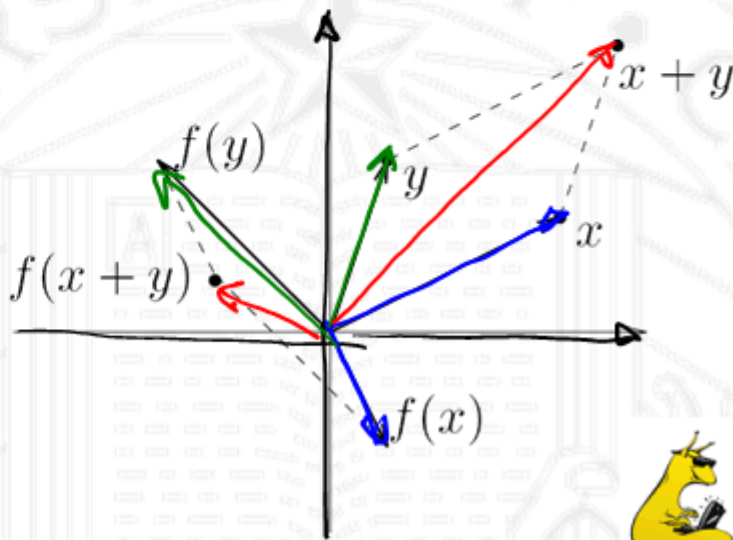
$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is defined as linear if:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(x+y) &= f(x) + f(y) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ f(\alpha x) &= \alpha f(x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{SUPERPOSITION} \\ \text{LAWS.}$$

$$\underline{f(x) = Ax}$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$f(x) = Ax \\ (\quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n})$$





# Matrix Multiplication function

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$f(x) = Ax \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

$$f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) = A(x+y) = Ax + Ay = f(x) + f(y)$$

$$f(\alpha x) = \underbrace{A}_{\text{matrix}} \alpha x = \alpha Ax = \alpha f(x)$$

converse is also true: any linear function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$   
can be written as  $f(x) = Ax$  for some  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

→ Representation is UNIQUE  $f$ : one and only one  
 $f(x) = Ax$  for  $x$ .

$$y = Ax \leftarrow \text{generic linear system}$$



# Interpretations of $y=Ax$

$y$  is a measurement or an observation  
 $x$  is unknown to be estimated

} ESTIMATION

DUAL

$x$  is input or action  
 $y$  output or result

} CONTROL

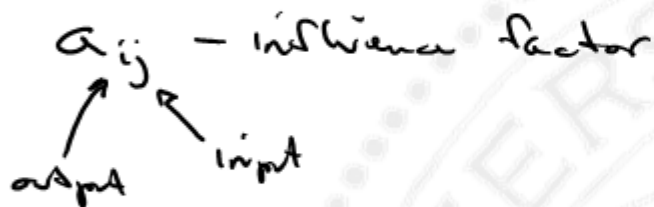
$y = Ax$  defines a function or transformation  
that maps  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

- Robotics
- Forward Model



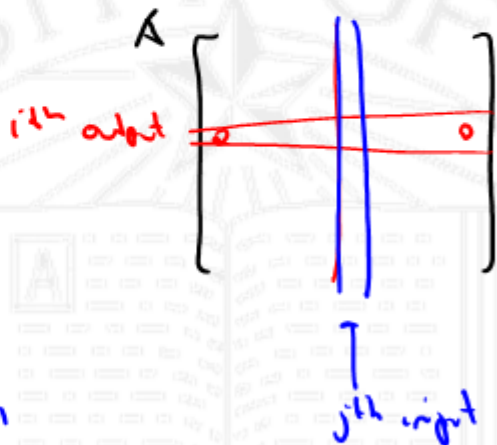
# Interpretations of $a_{ij}$

$$y = Ax \rightarrow y_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j$$



$$a_{22} = \phi$$

$$a_{31} \gg a_{3j} \quad \forall j \neq 1$$





# Interpretations of $a_{ij}$

