Laplace Transform Analysis of Signals and Systems

- Transfer functions of CT systems can be found from analysis of
	- –Differential Equations
	- –Block Diagrams
	- –Circuit Diagrams

A circuit can be described by a system of differential

Using the Laplace transform, a circuit can be described by a system of algebraic equations

A circuit can even be described by a block diagram.

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A mechanical system can be described by a system of differential equations

$$
f(t) - K_d x_1'(t) - K_{s1}[x_1(t) - x_2(t)] = m_1 x_1''(t)
$$

$$
K_{s1}[x_1(t) - x_2(t)] - K_{s2} x_2(t) = m_2 x_2''(t)
$$

or a system of algebraic equations.

$$
F(s) - K_d s X_1(s) - K_{s1}[X_1(s) - X_2(s)] = m_1 s^2 X_1(s)
$$

$$
K_{s1}[X_1(s) - X_2(s)] - K_{s2} X_2(s) = m_2 s^2 X_2(s)
$$

 $f(t)$ is the system excitation signal and the velocity of mass, m_2 , $x'_{2}(t)$, is the system response signal, $y(t)$

System in Motion

The mechanical system can also be described by a block diagram.

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System Stability

- System stability is very important
- A continuous-time LTI system is stable if its impulse response is absolutely integrable
- This translates into the frequency domain as the requirement that all the poles of the system transfer function must lie in the open left half-plane of the *s* plane (pp. 675-676)
- "Open left half-plane" means *not* including the ω axis

System Interconnections

E(*s*) Error signal

 Forward path transfer function or the "plant" $H_1(s)$

 $H_2(s)$ Feedback path transfer function or the "sensor".

Loop transfer function $T(s) = H_1(s)H_2(s)$

Analysis of Feedback Systems Beneficial Effects

If *K* is large enough that $KH_2(s) \gg 1$ then $H(s) \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{n}}}\$. This $K H_2(s) >> 1$ then $H(s) \approx \frac{1}{H_2(s)}$

means that the overall system is the approximate inverse of the system in the feedback path. This kind of system can be useful for reversing the effects of another system.

A very important example of feedback systems is an electronic amplifier based on an operational amplifier

Let the operational amplifier gain be

$$
H_1(s) = \frac{V_o(s)}{V_e(s)} = -\frac{A_0}{1 - \frac{s}{p}}
$$

The amplifier can be modeled as a feedback system with this block diagram.

The overall gain can be written as

$$
\frac{V_0(s)}{V_i(s)} = \frac{-A_0 Z_f(s)}{\left(1 - \frac{s}{p} + A_0\right)Z_i(s) + \left(1 - \frac{s}{p}\right)Z_f(s)}
$$

If the operational amplifier low-frequency gain, A_0 , is very large (which it usually is) then the overall amplifier gain reduces at low-frequencies to

$$
\frac{V_0(s)}{V_i(s)} \cong -\frac{Z_f(s)}{Z_i(s)}
$$

the gain formula based on an ideal operational amplifier.

The change in overall system gain is about 0.001% for a change in open-loop gain of a factor of 10. If $A_0 = 10^7$ and $p = -100$ then $H(-j100) = -9.999989 + j0.000011$ If $A_0 = 10^6$ and $p = -100$ then $H(-j100) = -9.99989 + j0.00011$

The half-power bandwidth of the operational amplifier itself is 15.9 Hz $(100/2\pi)$. The half-power bandwidth of the overall amplifier is approximately 14.5 MHz, an increase in bandwidth of a factor of approximately 910,000.

Feedback can stabilize an unstable system. Let a forward-path transfer function be

$$
H_1(s) = \frac{1}{s-p} , p > 0
$$

This system is unstable because it has a pole in the right halfplane. If we then connect feedback with a transfer function, *K*, a constant, the overall system gain becomes

$$
H(s) = \frac{1}{s - p + K}
$$

and, if $K > p$, the overall system is now stable.

Feedback can make an unstable system stable but it can also make a stable system unstable. Even though all the poles of the forward and feedback systems may be in the open left half-plane, the poles of the overall feedback system can be in the right half-plane.

A familiar example of this kind of instability caused by feedback is a public address system. If the amplifier gain is set too high the system will go unstable and oscillate, usually with a very annoying high-pitched tone.

increased, any sound entering the microphone makes a stronger sound from the speaker until, at some gain level, the returned sound from the speaker is a large as the originating sound into the microphone. At that point the system goes unstable (pp. 685-689).

Analysis of Feedback Systems Stable Oscillation Using Feedback

Feedback System Without Excitation

Analysis of Feedback Systems Stable Oscillation Using Feedback

Can the response be non-zero when the excitation is zero? Yes, if the overall system gain is infinite. If the system transfer function has a pole pair on the ^ωaxis, then the transfer function is infinite

at the frequency of that pole pair and there can be a response without an excitation. In practical terms the trick is to be sure the poles stay on the ω axis. If the poles move into the left half-plane the response attenuates with time. If the poles move into the right half-plane the response grows with time (until the system goes nonlinear).

Analysis of Feedback Systems A real example of a system that oscillates stably is a laser. In a laser the forward path is an optical amplifier. Stable Oscillation Using Feedback

The feedback action is provided by putting mirrors at each end of the optical amplifier.

Laser action begins when a photon is spontaneously emitted from the pumped medium in a direction normal to the mirrors. Stable Oscillation Using Feedback

Analysis of Feedback Systems Stable Oscillation Using Feedback

If the "round-trip" gain of the combination of pumped laser medium and mirrors is unity, sustained oscillation of light will occur. For that to occur the wavelength of the light must fit into the distance between mirrors an integer number of times.

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Analysis of Feedback Systems Stable Oscillation Using Feedback

A laser can be modeled by a block diagram in which the *K*'s represent the gain of the pumped medium or the reflection or transmission coefficient at a mirror, *L* is the distance between mirrors and *c* is the speed of light.

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Analysis of Feedback Systems The Routh-Hurwitz Stability Test

The *Routh-Hurwitz Stability Test* is a method for determining the stability of a system if its transfer function is expressed as a ratio of polynomials in *s*. Let the numerator be N(*s*) and let the denominator be

$$
D(s) = a_D s^D + a_{D-1} s^{D-1} + \dots + a_1 s + a_0
$$

Analysis of Feedback Systems The Routh-Hurwitz Stability Test

The first step is to construct the "Routh array".

The Routh-Hurwitz Stability Test Analysis of Feedback Systems

The first two rows contain the coefficients of the denominator polynomial. The entries in the following row are found by the formulas,

$$
b_{D-2} = -\frac{\begin{vmatrix} a_{D} & a_{D-2} \\ a_{D-1} & a_{D-3} \end{vmatrix}}{a_{D-1}} \qquad b_{D-4} = -\frac{\begin{vmatrix} a_{D} & a_{D-4} \\ a_{D-1} & a_{D-5} \end{vmatrix}}{a_{D-1}} \qquad \dots
$$

The entries on succeeding rows are computed by the same process based on previous row entries. If there are any zeros or sign changes in the a_p column, the system is unstable. The number of sign changes in the column is the number of poles in the right half-plane (pp. 693-694).

Common Type of Feedback System

System Transfer Function $H(s) = \frac{KH_1(s)}{s}$

$$
H(s) = \frac{K H_1(s)}{1 + K H_1(s) H_2(s)}
$$

 $T(s) = K H_1(s) H_2(s)$

Poles of $H(s) \longrightarrow$ Zeros of $1 + T(s)$

T is of the form \longrightarrow T(s) = $K \stackrel{\text{P}}{=}$ $\bf Q$ $s) = K \frac{P(S)}{S}$ $(s) = K \frac{P(s)}{Q(s)}$

Poles of H(s) \longrightarrow Zeros of $1 + K \frac{P(S)}{P(S)}$ *s* P Q (s) (s)

K can range from zero to infinity. For *K* approaching zero, using

 $Q(s) + KP(s) = 0$

the poles of H are the same as the zeros of $Q(s) = 0$ which are the poles of T. For *K* approaching infinity, using

$$
\frac{Q(s)}{K} + P(s) = 0
$$

the poles of H are the same as the zeros of $P(s) = 0$ which are the zeros of T. So the poles of H start on the poles of T and terminate on the zeros of T, some of which may be at infinity. The curves traced by these pole locations as *K* is varied are called the *root locus*.

Let H₁(s) =
$$
\frac{K}{(s+1)(s+2)}
$$
 and let H₂(s) = 1.

Then
$$
T(s) = \frac{K}{(s+1)(s+2)}
$$
 Root

No matter how large *K* gets this system is stable because the poles always lie in the left half-plane (although for large *K* the system may be very underdamped).

Let $H_1(s) = \frac{K}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)}$

and let $H_2(s) = 1$.

At some finite value of *K* the system becomes unstable because two poles move into the right half-plane.

Four Rules for Drawing a Root Locus

1. Each root-locus branch begins on a pole of T and terminates on a zero of T.

2. Any portion of the real axis for which the sum of the number of real poles and/or real zeros lying to its right on the real axis is odd, is a part of the root locus.

3. The root locus is symmetrical about the real axis.

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4. If the number of finite poles of T exceeds the number of finite zeros of T by an integer, *^m*, then *m* branches of the root locus terminate on zeros of T which lie at infinity. Each of these branches approaches a straight-line asymptote and the angles of these asymptotes are at the angles,

$$
\frac{k\pi}{m} \; , \; k=1,3,5,...
$$

with respect to the positive real axis. These asymptotes intersect on the real axis at the location,

$$
\sigma = \frac{1}{m} \left(\sum \text{finite poles} - \sum \text{finite zeros} \right)
$$

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Analysis of Feedback Systems Root Locus Examples

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Analysis of Feedback Systems Gain and Phase Margin

Real systems are usually designed with a margin of error to allow for small parameter variations and still be stable.

That "margin" can be viewed as a *gain margin* or a *phase margin*.

System instability occurs if, for any real ^ω,

 $\overline{T}(i\omega) = -1$

a number with a magnitude of one and a phase of $-\pi$ radians.
Analysis of Feedback Systems Gain and Phase Margin

So to be guaranteed stable, a system must have a T whose magnitude, as a function of frequency, is less than one when the phase hits $-\pi$ or, seen another way, T must have a phase, as a function of frequency, more positive than $-\pi$ for all $|T|$ greater than one.

The difference between the a magnitude of T of 0 dB and the magnitude of T when the phase hits - π is the gain margin.

The difference between the phase of T when the magnitude hits 0 dB and a phase of $-\pi$ is the phase margin.

Analysis of Feedback Systems Gain and Phase Margin

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Steady-State Tracking Errors in Unity-Gain Feedback Systems

A very common type of feedback system is the *unity-gain* feedback connection.

$$
X(s) \xrightarrow{+} \underbrace{\bigoplus_{i} E(s)} H_1(s) \xrightarrow{H_1(s)} Y(s)
$$

The aim of this type of system is to make the response "track" the excitation. When the error signal is zero, the excitation and response are equal.

Steady-State Tracking Errors in Unity-Gain Feedback Systems

The Laplace transform of the error signal is

$$
E(s) = \frac{X(s)}{1 + H_1(s)}
$$

The steady-state value of this signal is (using the finalvalue theorem)

$$
\lim_{t\to\infty} e(t) = \lim_{s\to 0} s E(s) = \lim_{s\to 0} s \frac{X(s)}{1 + H_1(s)}
$$

If the excitation is the unit step, $A u(t)$, then the steadystate error is *A*

$$
\lim_{t\to\infty} e(t) = \lim_{s\to 0} \frac{A}{1 + H_1(s)}
$$

Steady-State Tracking Errors in Unity-Gain Feedback Systems

If the forward transfer function is in the common form,

$$
H_1(s) = \frac{b_N s^N + b_{N-1} s^{N-1} + \dots + b_2 s^2 + b_1 s + b_0}{a_D s^D + a_{D-1} s^{D-1} + \dots + a_2 s^2 + a_1 s + a_0}
$$

then

$$
\lim_{t \to \infty} e(t) = \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{b_N s^N + b_{N-1} s^{N-1} + \dots + b_2 s^2 + b_1 s + b_0}{a_D s^D + a_{D-1} s^{D-1} + \dots + a_2 s^2 + a_1 s + a_0} = \frac{a_0}{a_0 + b_0}
$$

If $a_0 = 0$ and $b_0 \neq 0$ the steady-state error is zero and the forward transfer function can be written as

$$
H_1(s) = \frac{b_N s^N + b_{N-1} s^{N-1} + \cdots + b_2 s^2 + b_1 s + b_0}{s (a_D s^{D-1} + a_{D-1} s^{D-2} + \cdots + a_2 s + a_1)}
$$

which has a pole at $s = 0$.

Steady-State Tracking Errors in Unity-Gain Feedback Systems

If the forward transfer function of a unity-gain feedback system has a pole at zero and the system is stable, the steady-state error with step excitation is zero. This type of system is called a "type 1" system (one pole at *^s* = 0 in the forward transfer function). If there are no poles at $s = 0$, it is called a "type 0" system and the steady-state error with step excitation is non-zero.

Analysis of Feedback Systems Steady-State Tracking Errors in Unity-Gain Feedback Systems The steady-state error with ramp excitation is

Infinite for a stable type 0 system

Finite and non-zero for a stable type 1 system

Zero for a stable type 2 system $(2 \text{ poles at } s = 0 \text{ in})$ the forward transfer function)

It is possible, by a series of operations, to reduce a complicated block diagram down to a single block.

Moving a Summer

Combining Two Summers

$$
X(s) \longrightarrow \frac{(11s+30)(s+8)}{(s+3)(s^2+8s+3)} \longrightarrow Y(s)
$$

Mason's Theorem

Definitions:

Number of Paths from Input to Output - N_p

Number of Feedback Loops - N_L

Transfer Function of *i*th Path from Input to Output - $P_i(s)$

Loop transfer Function of *i*th Feedback Loop - $T_i(s)$

$$
\Delta(s) = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N_L} T_i(s) + \sum_{\substack{\text{ith loop and} \\ \text{ith loop not} \\ \text{sharp a signal}}} T_i(s) T_j(s) + \sum_{\substack{\text{ith}, jth, kth \\ \text{loops not} \\ \text{sharing a signal}}} T_i(s) T_j(s) T_k(s) + \cdots
$$

Mason's Theorem

The overall system transfer function is

$$
H(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_p} P_i(s) \Delta_i(s)}{\Delta(s)}
$$

where $\Delta_i(s)$ is the same as $\Delta(s)$ except that all feedback loops which share a signal with the *i*th path, $P_i(s)$, are excluded.

System Responses to Standard Signals Unit Step Response

 $H(s) = \frac{N}{s}$ ${\rm D}$ *s s* Let $H(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}$ be proper in *s*. Then the Laplace transform

of the unit step response is

$$
Y(s) = H_{-1}(s) = \frac{N(s)}{s D(s)} = \frac{N_1(s)}{D(s)} + \frac{K}{s}
$$
 $K = H(0)$

If the system is stable, the inverse Laplace transform of is called the *transient response* and the *steady-state* ${\bf N}$ ${\rm D}$ $\frac{1}{s}$ *s* (s) (s)

response is
$$
\frac{H(0)}{s}
$$
.

System Responses to Standard Signals

 $H(s) = \frac{N}{s}$ ${\rm D}$ *s s* Let $H(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}$ be proper in *s*. If the Laplace transform of the

excitation is some general excitation, X(*s*), then the Laplace transform of the response is

$$
Y(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}X(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}\frac{N_{x}(s)}{D_{x}(s)} = \frac{N_{1}(s)}{D(s)} + \frac{N_{x1}(s)}{D_{x}(s)}
$$

same poles as system

same poles as excitation

Unit Step Response System Responses to Standard Signals

System Responses to Standard Signals Unit Step Response

System Responses to Standard Signals Unit Step Response

Let H(s) =
$$
\frac{A\omega_0^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_0 s + \omega_0^2}
$$

System Responses to Standard Signals $H(s) = \frac{N}{s}$ ${\rm D}$ *s s* Let $H(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}$ be proper in *s*. If the excitation is a suddenly-

applied, unit-amplitude cosine, the response is

$$
Y(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega_0^2}
$$

which can be reduced and inverse Laplace transformed into (pp. 713-714)

$$
y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{N_1(s)}{D(s)}\right) + |H(j\omega_0)|\cos(\omega_0 t + \angle H(j\omega_0))u(t)
$$

If the system is stable, the steady-state response is a sinusoid of same frequency as the excitation but, generally, a different magnitude and phase.

Pole-Zero Diagrams and Frequency Response

If the transfer function of a system is H(*s*), the frequency response is H(*j*ω). The most common type of transfer function is of the form,

$$
H(s) = A \frac{(s - z_1)(s - z_2) \cdots (s - z_N)}{(s - p_1)(s - p_2) \cdots (s - p_D)}
$$

Therefore H(*j*ω) is

$$
H(j\omega) = A \frac{(j\omega - z_1)(j\omega - z_2) \cdots (j\omega - z_N)}{(j\omega - p_1)(j\omega - p_2) \cdots (j\omega - p_D)}
$$

Pole-Zero Diagrams and Frequency Response $(s) = \frac{3s}{s+3}$ Let $H(s) = \frac{3s}{s}$ Ω $[s]$ $H(j\omega) = 3 \frac{j\omega}{j\omega + 3}$ ω

The numerator, *j*^ω, and the denominator, $j\omega + 3$, can be conceived as vectors in the *^s* plane.

$$
|\mathbf{H}(j\omega)| = 3\frac{|j\omega|}{|j\omega+3|} \qquad \angle \mathbf{H}(j\omega) = \angle 3 + \angle j\omega - \angle(j\omega+3)
$$

Butterworth Filters

The squared magnitude of the transfer function of an *n*th order, unity-gain, lowpass Butterworth filter with a corner frequency of 1 radian/s is

Butterworth Filters

A Butterworth filter transfer function has no finite zeros and the poles all lie on a semicircle in the left-half plane whose radius is the corner frequency in radians/s and the angle between the pole locations is always π/n radians.

Butterworth Filters Frequency Transformations

A normalized lowpass Butterworth filter can be transformed into an unnormalized highpass, bandpass or bandstop Butterworth filter through the following transformations (pp. 721-725).

Standard Realizations of Systems

There are multiple ways of drawing a system block diagram corresponding to a given transfer function of the form,

$$
H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{N} b_k s^k}{\sum_{k=0}^{N} a_k s^k} = \frac{b_N s^N + b_{N-1} s^{N-1} + \dots + b_1 s + b_0}{s^N + a_{N-1} s^{N-1} + \dots + a_1 s + a_0}, \quad a_N = 1
$$

Standard Realizations of Systems Canonical Form

The transfer function can be conceived as the product of two transfer functions,

and
$$
H_1(s) = \frac{Y_1(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{1}{s^N + a_{N-1}s^{N-1} + \dots + a_1s + a_0}
$$

$$
H_2(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{Y_1(s)} = b_N s^N + b_{N-1} s^{N-1} + \dots + b_1 s + b_0
$$

$$
X(s) \rightarrow H_1(s) = \frac{1}{s^N + a_{N-1}s^{N-1} + \dots + a_1s + a_0} \rightarrow Y_1(s) \rightarrow H_2(s) = b_N s^N + b_{N-1} s^{N-1} + \dots + b_1s + b_0 \rightarrow Y(s)
$$

Standard Realizations of Systems Canonical Form

The system can then be realized in this form,

Standard Realizations of Systems Cascade Form

The transfer function can be factored into the form,

$$
H(s) = A \frac{s - z_1}{s - p_1} \frac{s - z_2}{s - p_2} \dots \frac{s - z_N}{s - p_N} \frac{1}{s - p_{N+1}} \frac{1}{s - p_{N+2}} \dots \frac{1}{s - p_D}
$$

and each factor can be realized in a small canonical-form subsystem of either of the two forms,

and these subsystems can then be cascade connected.

Standard Realizations of Systems Cascade Form

A problem that arises in the cascade form is that some poles or zeros may be complex. In that case, a complex conjugate pair can be combined into one second-order subsystem of the form,

Standard Realizations of Systems Parallel Form

The transfer function can be expanded in partial fractions of the form,

$$
H(s) = \frac{K_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{K_2}{s - p_2} + \dots + \frac{K_D}{s - p_D}
$$

Each of these terms describes a subsystem. When all the subsystems are connected in parallel the overall system is realized.

Standard Realizations of Systems Parallel Form

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- In larger systems it is important to keep the analysis methods systematic to avoid errors
- One popular method for doing this is through the use of *state variables*
- State variables are signals in a system which, together with the excitations, completely characterize the state of the system
- As the system changes dynamically the state variables change value and the system moves on a *trajectory* through *state space*

- State space is an *N*-dimensional space where *N* is the *order* of the system
- The order of a system is the number of state variables needed to characterize it
- State variables are not unique, there can be multiple correct sets

- There are several advantages to state-space analysis
	- –Reduction of the probability of analysis errors
	- –Complete description of the system signals
	- –Insight into system dynamics
	- – Can be formulated using matrix methods and the system state can be expressed in two matrix equations
	- – Combined with transform methods it is very powerful

To illustrate state-space methods, let the system be this circuit

Let the state variables be the capacitor voltage and the inductor current and let the output signals be $v_{out}(t)$ and $i_R(t)$.

Two differential equations in the two state variables, called the state equations, characterize the circuit,

$$
\mathbf{i}'_L(t) = \frac{1}{L} \mathbf{v}_C(t) \qquad \mathbf{v}'_C(t) = -\frac{1}{C} \mathbf{i}_L(t) - \frac{G}{C} \mathbf{v}_C(t) + \frac{1}{C} \mathbf{i}_m(t)
$$

Two more equations called the output equations define the responses in terms of the state variables,

$$
\mathbf{v}_{out}(t) = \mathbf{v}_C(t) \qquad \qquad \mathbf{i}_R(t) = G \mathbf{v}_C(t)
$$

The state equations can be written in matrix form as

$$
\begin{bmatrix}\n\mathbf{i}'_L(t) \\
\mathbf{v}'_C(t)\n\end{bmatrix} =\n\begin{bmatrix}\n0 & \frac{1}{L} \\
-\frac{1}{C} & -\frac{G}{C}\n\end{bmatrix}\n\begin{bmatrix}\n\mathbf{i}_L(t) \\
\mathbf{v}_C(t)\n\end{bmatrix} +\n\begin{bmatrix}\n0 \\
\frac{1}{C}\n\end{bmatrix}\n\begin{bmatrix}\n\mathbf{i}_m(t)\n\end{bmatrix}
$$

and the output equations can be written in matrix form as

$$
\begin{bmatrix}\n\mathbf{v}_{out}(t) \\
\mathbf{i}_R(t)\n\end{bmatrix} =\n\begin{bmatrix}\n0 & 1 \\
0 & G\n\end{bmatrix}\n\begin{bmatrix}\n\mathbf{i}_L(t) \\
\mathbf{v}_C(t)\n\end{bmatrix} +\n\begin{bmatrix}\n0 \\
0\n\end{bmatrix}\n\begin{bmatrix}\n\mathbf{i}_m(t)\n\end{bmatrix}
$$

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The state and output equations can be written compactly as

 $\mathbf{q}'(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{x}(t)$ $\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{q}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}(t)$

where

$$
\mathbf{q}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_L(t) \\ \mathbf{v}_C(t) \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{L} \\ -\frac{1}{C} & -\frac{G}{C} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{C} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i}_m(t) \end{bmatrix}
$$

$$
\mathbf{y}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{out}(t) \\ \mathbf{i}_R(t) \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & G \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
$$

The solution of the state and output equations can be found using the Laplace transform.

or
\n
$$
s\mathbf{Q}(s) - \mathbf{q}(0^+) = \mathbf{AQ}(s) + \mathbf{BX}(s)
$$
\nor
\n
$$
[s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}] \mathbf{Q}(s) = \mathbf{BX}(s) + \mathbf{q}(0^+)
$$
\nMultiplying both sides by $[s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}]^{-1}$

$$
\mathbf{Q}(s) = [s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}]^{-1} [\mathbf{B} \mathbf{X}(s) + \mathbf{q}(0^+)]
$$

The matrix, $[sI - A]^{-1}$, is conventionally designated by the symbol, $\Phi(s)$. Then

$$
\mathbf{Q}(s) = \Phi(s) [\mathbf{B} \mathbf{X}(s) + \mathbf{q}(0^+)] = \underbrace{\Phi(s) \mathbf{B} \mathbf{X}(s)}_{\text{zero-state}} + \underbrace{\Phi(s) \mathbf{q}(0^+)}_{\text{zero-input response}}
$$

The time-domain solution is then

$$
\mathbf{q}(t) = \underbrace{\phi(t) * \mathbf{B} \mathbf{x}(t)}_{\text{zero-state}} + \underbrace{\phi(t) \mathbf{q}(0^+)}_{\text{zero-input}}
$$

zero—state response

zero−input response

where $\phi(t) \leftarrow \rightarrow \Phi(s)$ and $\phi(t)$ is called the *state transition matrix*.

To make the example concrete, let the excitation and initial conditions be

$$
i(t) = A u(t) \qquad q(0^+) = \begin{bmatrix} i_L(0^+) \\ v_C(0^+) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}
$$

and let $R = \frac{1}{3}$, $C = 1$, $L = 1$

$$
\Phi(s) = (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} s & -\frac{1}{L} \\ \frac{1}{C} & s + \frac{G}{C} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} s + \frac{G}{C} & \frac{1}{L} \\ -\frac{1}{C} & s \end{bmatrix}}{s^2 + \frac{G}{C}s + \frac{1}{LC}}
$$

Solving for the states in the Laplace domain,

$$
\mathbf{Q}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{sLC \left(s^2 + \frac{G}{C}s + \frac{1}{LC}\right)} + \frac{1}{L \left(s^2 + \frac{G}{C}s + \frac{1}{LC}\right)} \\ \frac{1}{C \left(s^2 + \frac{G}{C}s + \frac{1}{LC}\right)} + \frac{s}{s^2 + \frac{G}{C}s + \frac{1}{LC}} \end{bmatrix}
$$

Substituting in numerical component values,

$$
\mathbf{Q}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 3s + 1)} + \frac{1}{s^2 + 3s + 1} \\ \frac{1}{s^2 + 3s + 1} + \frac{s}{s^2 + 3s + 1} \end{bmatrix}
$$

Inverse Laplace transforming, the state variables are

$$
\mathbf{q}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 0.277e^{-2.62t} - 0.723e^{-0.382t} \\ 0.723e^{-0.382t} + 0.277e^{-2.62t} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}(t)
$$

and the response is

$$
\mathbf{y}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & G \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{q} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 0.277e^{-2.62t} - 0.723e^{-0.382t} \\ 0.723e^{-0.382t} + 0.277e^{-2.62t} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}(t)
$$

or

$$
\mathbf{y}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.723e^{-0.382t} + 0.277e^{-2.62t} \\ 2.169e^{-0.382t} + 0.831e^{-2.62t} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}(t)
$$

In a system in which the initial conditions are zero (the zero-input response is zero), the matrix transfer function can be found from the state and output equations.

$$
s\mathbf{Q}(s) - \mathbf{q}(0^+) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}(s) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{X}(s)
$$

or

$$
\mathbf{Q}(s) = [s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}]^{-1} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{X}(s) = \Phi(s) \mathbf{B} \mathbf{X}(s)
$$

The response is

 $\mathbf{Y}(s) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{Q}(s) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{X}(s) = \mathbf{C}\Phi(s)\mathbf{B}\mathbf{X}(s) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{X}(s) = [\mathbf{C}\Phi(s)\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D}]\mathbf{X}(s)$

and the matrix transfer function is

 $H(s) = C\Phi(s)B + D$

Any set of state variables can be transformed into another valid set through a linear transformation. Let $q_1(t)$ be the initial set and let $\mathbf{q}_2(t)$ be the new set, related to $\mathbf{q}_1(t)$ by

$$
\mathbf{q}_2(t) = \mathbf{T} \mathbf{q}_1(t)
$$

Then

and using $\mathbf{q}_1(t) = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{q}_2(t)$, $\mathbf{q}'_2(t) = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{q}'_1(t) = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{q}_1(t) + \mathbf{B}_1\mathbf{x}(t)) = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{q}_1(t) + \mathbf{T}\mathbf{B}_1\mathbf{x}(t)$

$$
\mathbf{q}'_2(t) = \mathbf{T} \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{q}_2(t) + \mathbf{T} \mathbf{B}_1 \mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{q}_2(t) + \mathbf{B}_2 \mathbf{x}(t)
$$

where

$$
\mathbf{A}_2 = \mathbf{T} \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{T}^{-1} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{B}_2 = \mathbf{T} \mathbf{B}_1
$$

By a similar argument,

$$
\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}_2 \mathbf{q}_2(t) + \mathbf{D}_2 \mathbf{x}(t)
$$

where

$$
\mathbf{C}_2 = \mathbf{C}_1 \mathbf{T}^{-1} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{D}_2 = \mathbf{D}_1
$$

Transformation to a new set of state variables does not change the eigenvalues of the system.