

L1, Monday

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Monday: Overview ; linear systems + control (freq.)

- What is control th? Why? Apps?
- dynamics and dynamical systems
- linearization + linear systems
- freq. domain, transfer functions, block diagrams
- PID control, delays and instabilities

Tuesday:

Control of linear systems (time)

- controllability, observability, duality
- full-state control
- observers + output control

Wednesday:

Optimal control

- parametric \rightarrow Lagrangian (calc. variations)
- Bellman + dynamic prog., LQR
- constraints

Thursday:

Stochastic Control

- state estimation
- Kalman filter
- hidden Markov Models
- Bayesian methods
- nonlinear extensions (EKF, UKF, part.)

Friday:

Bayesian State Estimation /

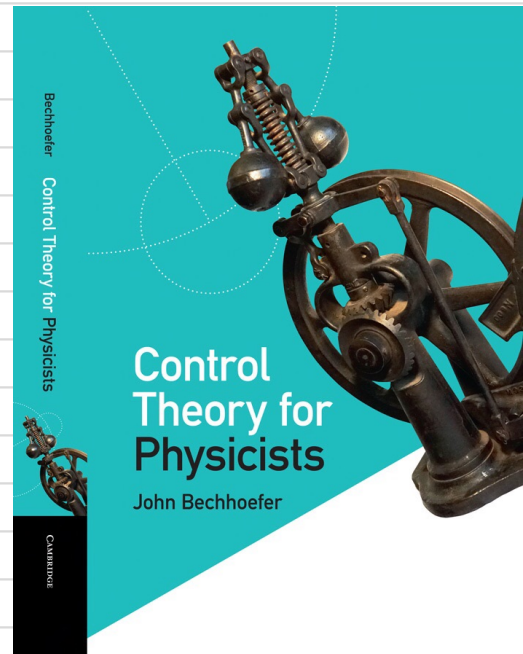
Noisy Maxwell
Demon

- redo Kalman filter

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- Overall reference
- Cambridge Univ. Press
2021
- www.sfu.ca/chaos
→ book → CUP
- for exercises +
solutions
- and also Math Appendix



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- Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic."
— Arthur C. Clarke, 1973
- dynamics with a purpose
 - profound implications
 - not just math! (a way of thinking)
- purpose:
 - "intelligent design"
 - evolution (biology, technological)

Applications

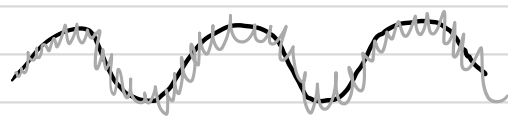
- Technology ↔ better experiments
- Physics ↔ control can change physical dynamics (stabilize unstable state / Paul trap)
 - fundamentals of thermo.
 - quantum systems
 - control of complex networks
- Biology ↔
 - large scale (physiology)
 - small scale (genetic regulation)
 - single-ind. control
 - evolutionary time scales (pop. control)

Goals of control

• Regulation

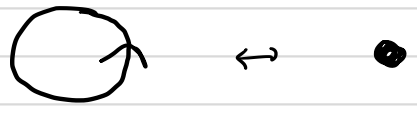


• Tracking

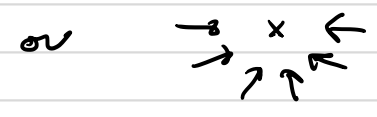


Our focus

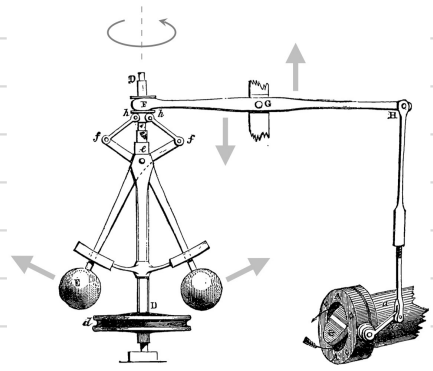
• Changing the attractor
- or potential, or...



• Collective motion



synchronization, dancing, swarming, ...

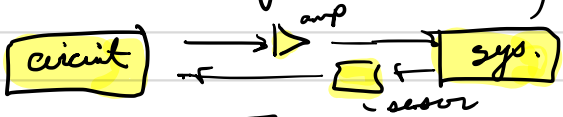


Feedback loops

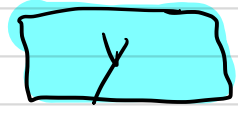
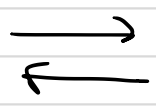
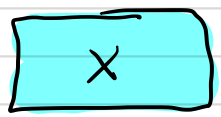
• Gadgets (flush toilet, governor...)

• Natural sys (climate feedbacks ...)

• Analogue control



• Digital control



Autonomy

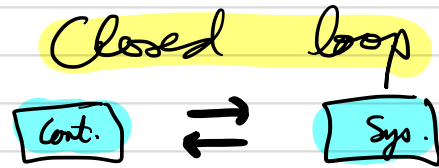
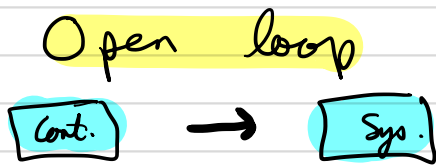
$$\dot{x} = f(x, y)$$

$$\dot{y} = g(x, y)$$

Causality

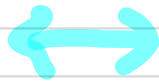
$$\vec{\dot{x}} = \vec{f}(\vec{x})$$
$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{f} = \begin{pmatrix} f \\ g \end{pmatrix}$$

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Autonomous

$$\dot{x} = f(x)$$



Non-autonomous

$$\dot{x} = f(x, t)$$

Complex controller — Universal Turing machine (can do anything)

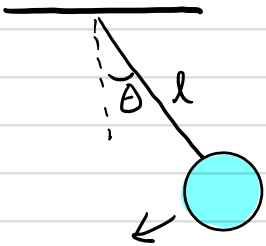
Simple controller — all others

Review of Dynamical Systems

(Ch. 2)

goal: set notation, introduce point of view

Pendulum as a dynamical sys.



torques: $ml^2 \ddot{\theta} + mgl \sin \theta = 0$

$$\ddot{\theta} + \omega_0^2 \sin \theta = 0 \quad \omega_0 = \sqrt{g/l}$$

Rescale time $\bar{t} = \omega_0 t \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 \theta}{d\bar{t}^2} \rightarrow \omega_0^2 \frac{d^2 \theta}{d\bar{t}^2} = \omega_0^2 \ddot{\theta}$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\theta}(\bar{t}) + \sin \theta = 0$$

Rescaling simplifies problem by reducing # pars. (1 → 0)
- usually will be lazy and use same symbol after scaling

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} + \sin \theta = 0$$

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2nd-order nonlinear ODE \rightarrow 2 coupled, 1st-order nonlinear ODEs.

$$x_1 = \theta, \quad x_2 = \dot{\theta} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ -\sin x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad \dot{x} = f(x)$$

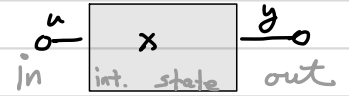
The Systems Point of View

Control: dynamical systems $\dot{x} = f(x)$
 + inputs u and outputs y

Control System

$x \rightarrow$ internal states
 $u \rightarrow$ inputs
 $y \rightarrow$ outputs

abstract
 what we do
 what we see



$$\dot{x} = f(x, u) \quad y = h(x, u) \quad \text{or } h(x)$$

Linearization: small deviations from equilibrium

g. $\theta_0 = \dot{\theta}_0 = 0 \quad x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ for small θ , $\sin \theta \approx \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \ddot{\theta} + \theta = 0 \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \dot{x} = Ax$$

Q: Linearize about $\theta_0 = \pi, \dot{\theta}_0 = 0$?



\rightarrow direct torque

Add inputs, outputs:
 $y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = x_1$

$$\ddot{\theta} + \sin \theta = u(t) \quad (\text{for ex.})$$

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u) \\ y = h(x, u)$$

\rightarrow observe angle, not ang. velocity

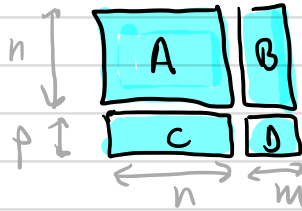
Often deal w/ linear systems

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu \quad y = Cx + Du$$

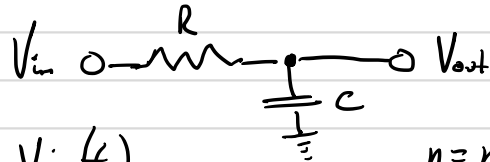
$$\begin{matrix} n \\ \downarrow \\ \dot{x} \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \boxed{A} \\ \leftarrow n \rightarrow \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \downarrow \\ x \end{matrix} + \begin{matrix} \boxed{B} \\ \leftarrow m \rightarrow \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \downarrow \\ u \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \downarrow \\ m \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} p \\ \downarrow \\ y \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \boxed{C} \\ \leftarrow n \rightarrow \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \downarrow \\ x \end{matrix} + \boxed{D} \begin{matrix} \\ \downarrow \\ u \end{matrix}$$

Nice packing of matrices:



Ex 1: Low-pass filter



$$\dot{V}_{out} = -\frac{1}{RC} V_{out}(t) + \frac{1}{RC} V_{in}(t)$$

$$n=m=p=1, \quad x=y=V_{out}, \quad u=V_{in}$$

scale time

$$\tau = RC$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{x} = -x + u, \quad y = x$$

$$A = -1, \quad B = 1, \quad C = 1, \quad D = 0$$

Ex 2: Harmonic osc.

$$\ddot{q} + 2\zeta\dot{q} + q = u \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{matrix} A \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2\zeta \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{matrix} B \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} u \quad y = \begin{matrix} C \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{matrix} D \\ 0 \end{matrix}$$

Recall: scaling \Rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1 parameter
 dimensionless \leftarrow dimensionless

Why study linear systems?

- 1) easy; nice general methods
- 2) real eq., deviations obey linear dyn.
- 3) use nonlin tracking \Rightarrow deviations small enough so lin. is OK (maybe)

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Nonlin to lin. (linearization) $\dot{x} = f(x, u)$ $y = h(x, u)$

fixed pt: $f(x_0, u_0) = 0$ $h(x_0, u_0) = y_0$

$x \equiv x_0 + x_1(t)$ $u \equiv u_0 + u_1(t)$ $y \equiv y_0 + y_1(t)$ $\{x_1, u_1, y_1\}$ small

Taylor: $\dot{x}_1 = f(x_0 + x_1, u_0 + u_1) \approx f(x_0, u_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x_0, u_0} x_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \Big|_{x_0, u_0} u_1 + \dots$

$y_0 + y_1 = h(x_0 + x_1, u_0 + u_1) \approx h(x_0, u_0) + \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \Big|_{x_0, u_0} x_1 + \frac{\partial h}{\partial u} \Big|_{x_0, u_0} u_1$

$A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ $B = \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}$ $C = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}$ $D = \frac{\partial h}{\partial u}$ all at (x_0, u_0)

Frequency-domain analysis

Fourier transform $F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \cdot f(t) e^{-i\omega t} \equiv \mathcal{F}[f]$

→ Laplace transform $F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} dt \cdot f(t) e^{-st} \equiv \mathcal{L}[f]$
↳ complex

Transfer functions (dynamical response)

- in Laplace domain, $G(s) = \frac{y(s)}{u(s)}$ $y(s) = \int_0^{\infty} dt \cdot y(t) e^{-st}$

$G(s=i\omega) \sim$ Fourier transform

mag $|G(i\omega)|$ phase = $\tan^{-1} \frac{\text{Im}G}{\text{Re}G}$



Ex: 2nd order sys. $\ddot{y} + 2\zeta\dot{y} + y = u(t)$ (ignore init cond.)

→ $G(s) = \frac{1}{1 + 2\zeta s + s^2}$

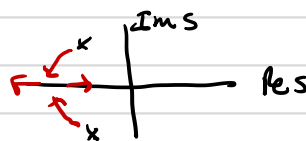
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Graphical tools:

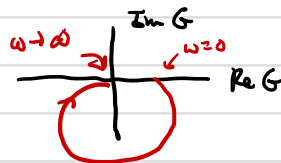
Complex s-plane



Bode plots



pole-zero



Nyquist

n^{th} - order ODE

$$y^{(n)} + \dots + y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow G(s) \sim s^{-n} \Rightarrow G(i\omega) \sim (-i)^n \omega^{-n}$$

$-i \Rightarrow$ phase lag of $\pi/2$ (90°) $\Rightarrow (-i)^n \rightarrow$ phase lag of $n\pi/2$
 if Bode amplitude has asymptotic slope = $-n$ Bode phase at least $-\frac{n\pi}{2}$

More generally $G(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} \sim s^k / s^n$ (rational poly.)

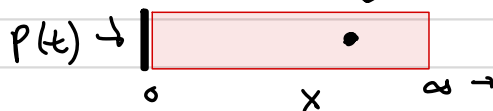
n = order of $G(s)$ $n-k$ = relative degree (a, b coprime)

Systems w/ non-rational $G(s)$

- delay $\mathcal{L}[g(t-\tau)] = e^{-s\tau} G(s)$

- spatially extended

Ex: 1d rod:



$$\partial_x T = \partial_{xx} T$$

$$sT = \partial_{xx} T$$

$T \rightarrow 0$ at $x \rightarrow \infty$

$$T = A e^{\sqrt{s}x} + B e^{-\sqrt{s}x}$$

$$-\partial_x T = u(t)$$

input

$\Rightarrow \dots$

$$G(s) = \frac{e^{-\sqrt{s}L}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

"irrational"

can approx $G(s)$ by "rational" poly...

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Convolution Thm. and Block Diagrams

given $g(t)$ and $h(t)$ $f = g * h = \int_0^{\infty} dt' g(t') h(t-t')$

$$\mathcal{L}[g * h] = g(s) h(s)$$

arises when output of one sys. = input to the next ...

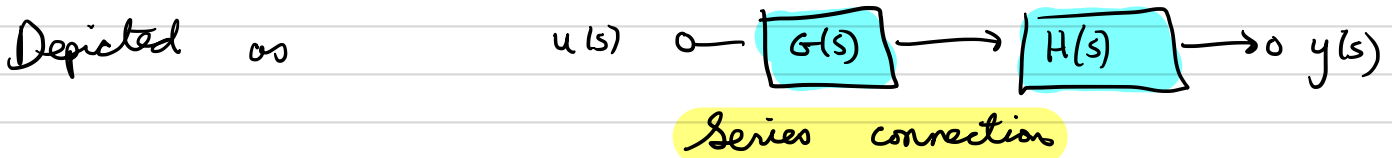
Ex: **Sensor dynamics**

$$\ddot{v} + 2\zeta\dot{v} + v = u(t)$$

$$\dot{y} + y = v(t)$$

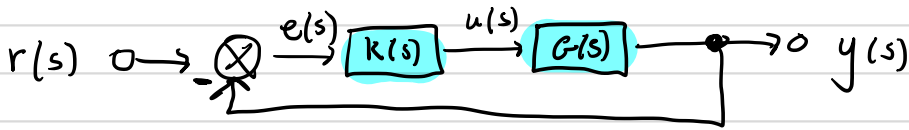
ie u drives osc. position v , which is "measured" by y

Laplace \Rightarrow $v(s) = G(s) u(s) = \left(\frac{1}{1+2\zeta s+s^2} \right) u(s)$
 $y(s) = H(s) v(s) = \left(\frac{1}{1+s} \right) \left(\frac{1}{1+2\zeta s+s^2} \right) u(s)$



- Frequency (Laplace) domain is intuitive but mostly limited to linear, time-invariant (LTI) systems.
- Developed (mostly) in US 1920-1960 (Bell Labs) - Nyquist, Bode, ...

Elementary SISO Feedback loops



$G(s)$ — system transfer function ("plant" in engineering jargon)

$K(s)$ — controller " " " " " "

$y(s)$ — output of dynamical system

$u(s)$ — input " " (output of controller)

$r(s)$ — reference (command)

$e(s) = r - y$ (negative) error signal

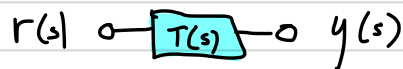
Closed-loop dynamics

$$u = Ke = K(r - y)$$

$$y = Gu = GK(r - y)$$

$$y(1 + GK) = GK r$$

$$y = \frac{GK}{1 + GK} r \equiv T(s) r$$



$T \equiv \frac{GK}{1 + GK} \rightarrow$ transfer func. $r(s) \rightarrow y(s)$
in out

loosely: $K \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow T \rightarrow 1$

but usually goes unstable for large K ...

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Proportional control

$$K(s) = K_p$$

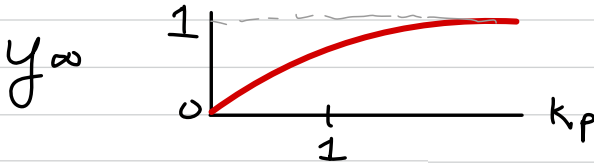
- $u(s) = K_p e(s) = -K_p (y(s) - r(s))$
- negative feedback \propto minus the deviation from the setpoint
- eg $G(s) = \frac{1}{1+s}$

Q: $T(s) = \frac{GK}{1+GK} = \frac{1}{1+(GK)^{-1}} = \frac{1}{1+(1+s)/K_p} = \frac{1}{(1+1/K_p) + s/K_p}$

check in time domain

\Rightarrow new 1st-order dynamics, - $y_{\infty} = \frac{K_p}{K_p+1}$

- relaxes at a rate K_p times faster.



- "proportional droop"
- intuition w/ heater

Integral control

$$u(t) = K_i \int_{-\infty}^t dt' e(t')$$

$$\dot{y} = -y + K_i \int_{-\infty}^t dt' e(t') \quad e = r_{\infty} - y(t)$$

$$\ddot{y} = -\dot{y} + K_i (r_{\infty} - y) \Rightarrow y(t) \rightarrow r_{\infty} !!$$

In freq. space

$$K(s) = \frac{K_i}{s}$$

"freq-dep gain"

$K \rightarrow \infty$ at $\omega = 0 \Rightarrow$ at zero freq., ∞ gain

Ex: $G(s) = \frac{1}{1+s}$ $T(s) = \frac{K_G}{1+K_G} = \frac{1}{1+(K_G)^{-1}} = \frac{1}{1+s(\frac{1}{K_i})(1+s)}$

$= \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{K_i}s + \frac{1}{K_i}s^2}$

$T(s \rightarrow 0) = 1 \Rightarrow$ unit step response!

As K_i increases, go from over \rightarrow underdamped

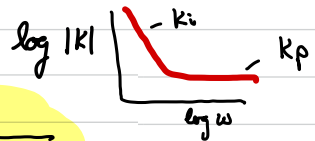
poles: $s = -\frac{1}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} - K_i}$

Notice that the feedback has turned a 1st-order sys. into a second-order sys. (closed loop)

- Robustness of integral control: $y \rightarrow r_{\infty}$
whatever the value of K_i , etc.
only the structure of the loop (and int. cont.) count

- famous application: Robustness of chemotaxis response.
(Barkai - Leibler, Nature 97)
- connection to integral control, Yi et al (John Doyle) PNAS 2000

PI control: $K(s) = K_p + \frac{K_i}{s}$



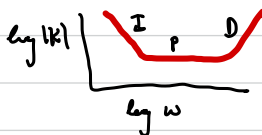
$T(s) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{K_p s + K_i} (1+s)} = \frac{K_p s + K_i}{s^2 + (1+K_p)s + K_i}$

still have $T(s \rightarrow 0) = 1$ but $K_p \gg 1 \Rightarrow$ no osc. response

PID control: Proportional - Integral - Derivative

- "D" anticipates the future (crudely)
- also: adds damping $\ddot{x} + 2\dot{x} + x = -k_d \dot{x}$

$$u(t) = \underbrace{k_p e(t)}_{\text{present}} + \underbrace{k_i \int dt' e(t')}_{\text{past}} + \underbrace{k_d \frac{de}{dt}}_{\text{future}}$$

$$K(s) = k_p + \frac{k_i}{s} + k_d s$$


How to choose the parameters?

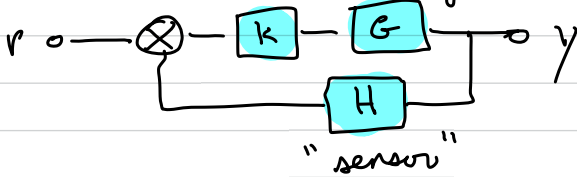
PID is simple; heuristic rules work

- e.g. increase k_p ("P") until osc.; decrease a bit
- More complex sys. need better methods; e.g. optimal cont

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Feedback and Instabilities

Ex: 1st - order sys. with short delay



$$T = \frac{KG}{1+KGH}$$

$$G = \frac{1}{s+1}$$

first-order system

$$K = K_p$$

prop. gain

$$H = e^{-s\tau}$$

delay ($e^{-i\omega\tau}$)

Condition for instability $L(s) = KGH = -1$

• short delay $\Rightarrow \tau \ll 1$; at high freq. $G \approx \frac{1}{s}$

$$\Rightarrow L(s) = K_p \frac{1}{s} \cdot e^{-s\tau} \Big|_{s=i\omega} = -1$$

$$K_p \cdot \frac{1}{i\omega} \cdot e^{-i\omega\tau} = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow K_p = \omega \quad e^{-i\omega\tau} = -i = e^{-i\pi/2}$$

$$\omega^* \tau = \pi/2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad K_p^* = \omega^* = \frac{\pi}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\tau} \right) \quad \left(f^* = \frac{1}{4\tau} \right)$$

$$\text{Max gain } K_p^* = \omega^* \sim \tau_0 / \tau = \frac{\text{sys}}{\text{delay}} \quad \left(G(s) = \frac{1}{1+s\tau_0} \right)$$

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Turn up gain on typical closed-loop control

→ get a Hopf bif. w/

critical gain K^* , osc. freq. ω^*

WHY ??

- Increasing prop. gain \Rightarrow shorter time const. (higher feedback bandwidth) $\rightarrow \omega_c$ increases
- Lumped element behaviour \rightarrow field behaviour
- fields + input-output separation \approx delay
- delay + fb \Rightarrow Hopf

→ Ex: 1d rod $\omega \rightarrow 0$ $G(s) \sim 1/s$ (capacitor)
eventually semi- ∞ $G(s) \sim e^{-\tau s}/s$
 \Rightarrow Hopf (see book text, problem)

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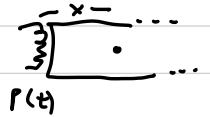
Or: Microphone + speaker (freq $\sim \frac{c_{sound}}{L}$)

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Things to do:

$$T(x(t)) = y(t)$$

1) For 1d semi- ∞ rod, show



$$G(s) = \frac{y(s)}{p(s)} = \frac{e^{-\sqrt{s}}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

See p. 9, bottom

2) Show that a proportional temperature controller for 1d rod has inst. (like delay ex.) for finite gain.

See book problem 3.9
(+ solution, too ...)

For Tuesday: linear control in time dom.