


Laplace Transforms

- Formally, Laplace transform for a signal $f(t)$ is:

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-st} dt$$
 Complex variable $s = \sigma + j\omega$
- The Power: Ability to study linear systems using algebraic equations
 - Example:

$$a_2 \ddot{y}(t) + a_1 \dot{y}(t) + a_0 y(t) = b_1 \dot{u}(t) + b_0 u(t)$$

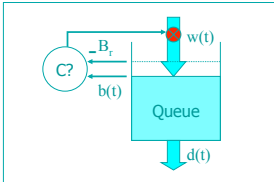
$$\Leftrightarrow Y(s) = \frac{b_1 s + b_0}{a_2 s^2 + a_1 s + a_0} \cdot U(s)$$


Laplace Transforms

- Basic translations
 - Impulse signal $f(t) = \delta(t) \Leftrightarrow F(s) = 1$
 - Step signal $f(t) = a \cdot 1(t) \Leftrightarrow F(s) = a/s$
 - Ramp signal $f(t) = a \cdot t \Leftrightarrow F(s) = a/s^2$
 - Exp signal $f(t) = e^{at} \Leftrightarrow F(s) = 1/(s-a)$
 - Sinusoid signal $f(t) = \sin(at) \Leftrightarrow F(s) = a/(s^2+a^2)$
- Composition rules
 - Linearity $L[a f(t) + b g(t)] = a L[f(t)] + b L[g(t)]$
 - Differentiation $L[df(t)/dt] = sF(s) - f(0) = sF(s)$ if $f(0)=0$
 - Integration $L[\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau] = F(s)/s$
 - Convolution $y(t) = g(t) * u(t) = \int_0^t g(t-\tau) u(\tau) d\tau \quad Y(s) = G(s)U(s)$

Vegas-like Model

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- Model (differential equation): $\frac{d}{dt} b(t) = w(t) - d(t)$
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 $w(t) = C(B_r - b(t))$

Block Diagram

- A pictorial tool to represent a system based on transfer functions and signal flows
- Represent a feedback control system

$$G_c(s) = \frac{C(s)G_o(s)}{1 + C(s)G_o(s)}$$

$$Y(s) = G_c(s)R(s)$$

Vegas-like Model Transfer Function & Block Diagram

- Buffer occupancy is modeled as a differential equation
 $\frac{d}{dt} b(t) = w(t) - d(t) \Leftrightarrow B(s) = \frac{W(s) - D(s)}{s} \Leftrightarrow G_o(s) = \frac{1}{s}$
- Inputs: reference $B_r(s)$; service rate $D(s)$
- Closed-loop system transfer functions
 - $B_r(s)$ as input: $T_r(s) = C(s)G_o(s)/(1+C(s)G_o(s))$
 - $D(s)$ as input: $T_d(s) = -G_o(s)/(1+C(s)G_o(s))$
- Output: $B(s) = T_r(s)B_r(s) + T_d(s)D(s)$

Proportional Control Stability of Vegas-like Control

Proportional Controller

- $w(t) = Ke(t)$; $C(s) = K$

Transfer functions

- $B_r(s)$ as input: $T_i(s) = K/(s+K)$
- $D(s)$ as input: $T_d(s) = -1/(s+K)$

Stability

- Pole = $-K$ \Leftrightarrow System is stable for $K > 0$

Vegas-like Model (PI controller)

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Integral Control Stability of Vegas-like Control

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Integral Controller

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Performance Specifications Stability

■ A linear time-invariant system is stable if all poles of its transfer function are in the left-hand side of the s-plane ($\forall p_i, \text{Re}[p_i] < 0$)

$$G(s) = K \frac{\prod_{i=1}^m (s - z_i)}{\prod_{i=1}^n (s - p_i)} = \frac{C_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{C_2}{s - p_2} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{s - p_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow g(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n C_i e^{p_i t}$$

Note: $C_i e^{p_i t} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} \infty$ if $\text{Re}[p_i] > 0$

Poles and Zeros

■ The impulse response of a linear time-invariant (LTI) system

$$Y(s) = \frac{b_m s^m + b_{m-1} s^{m-1} + \dots + b_0}{a_n s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \dots + a_0}$$

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$\{p_i\}$ are poles of the function and determine the system behavior

Time Response vs. Pole Location

$f(t) = e^{p t}, p = \sigma + j\omega$

- Undamped Oscillation (critically stable) if $\text{Re} = 0$ and $\text{Im} \neq 0$
- Underdamped Response if $\text{Re} < 0$ and $\text{Im} \neq 0$
- Overdamped Response if $\text{Re} < 0$ and $\text{Im} = 0$

Design Goals Performance Specifications

- **Stability**
- **Transient response**
- **Steady-state error**

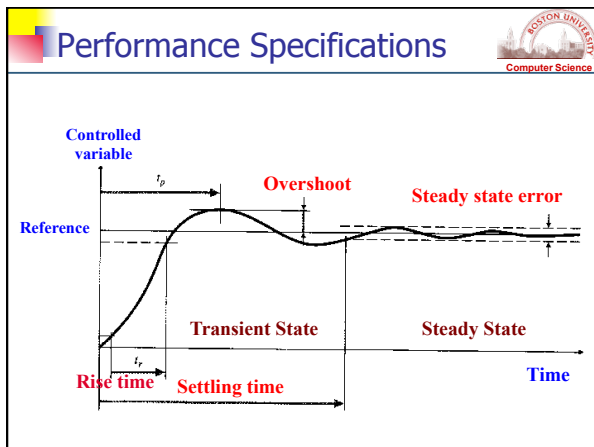
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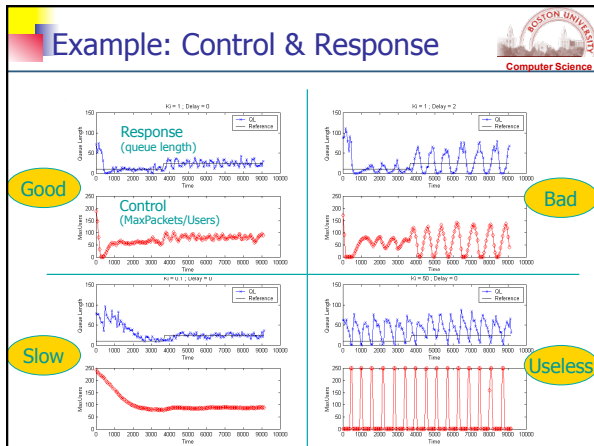
- A LTI system is stable if all poles of its impulse transfer function (i.e., $U(s)=1$) are in the LHP ($\forall p_i, \text{Re}[p_i]<0$)

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Performance Specifications Steady-state error

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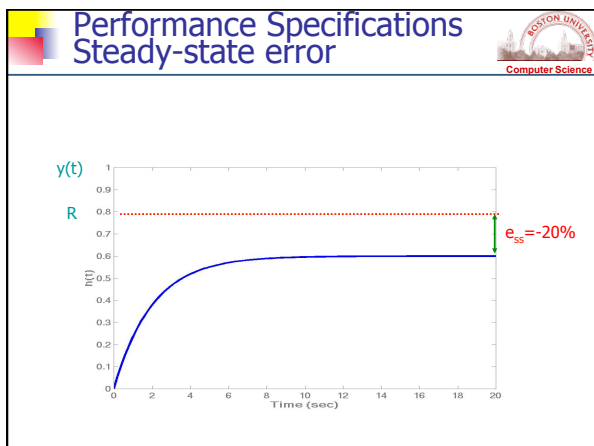
- Steady-state (tracking) error of a stable system

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (y(t) - r(t))$$


$r(t)$ is the reference input, $y(t)$ is the system output.

- How accurately can a system achieve the desired state?
- Final value theorem:

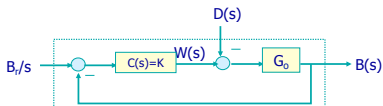
$$e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sE(s)$$




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- **Stability**
 - Pole = $-K$ \Leftrightarrow System is stable for $K > 0$
- **Steady-state error**
 - For step inputs, steady-state error = $-D/K$
 - Steady-state error decreases as K increases



Integral Control Stability of Vegas-like Control



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 - $\frac{d}{dt}w(t) = Ke(t)$; $C(s) = K/s$
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- **Steady-state error**
 - For step inputs, steady-state error = zero
 - Steady-state oscillation decreases as K decreases, but also rise time increases \rightarrow tradeoff between transient performance and steady-state performance!

