

Mechatronic Modeling and Design with Applications in Robotics

Course Outline and Introduction

Course Website:

<http://grasplab.ca/modeling.html>

Instructor: Dr. Haoxiang Lang, Ph.D., P.Eng.

Associate Professor of Automotive and Mechatronics Engineering

Ontario Tech University, Oshawa, ON Canada

Email: haoxiang.lang@ontariotechu.ca

Director of the GRASP Lab @ OntarioTech

Design, development and application of advanced technologies for autonomous systems and processes

- Mechatronics
- Robotics
- Machine vision
- Advanced Control
- Artificial intelligence



GRASP @ Ontario Tech University

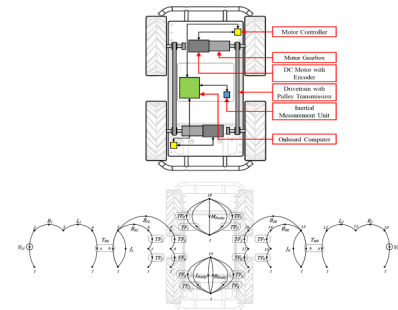
Mechatronic Modeling and Design with Applications in Robotics

Course Description

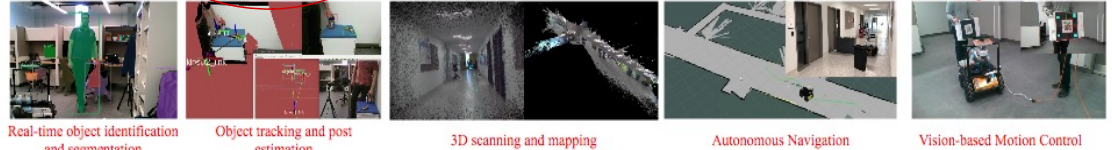
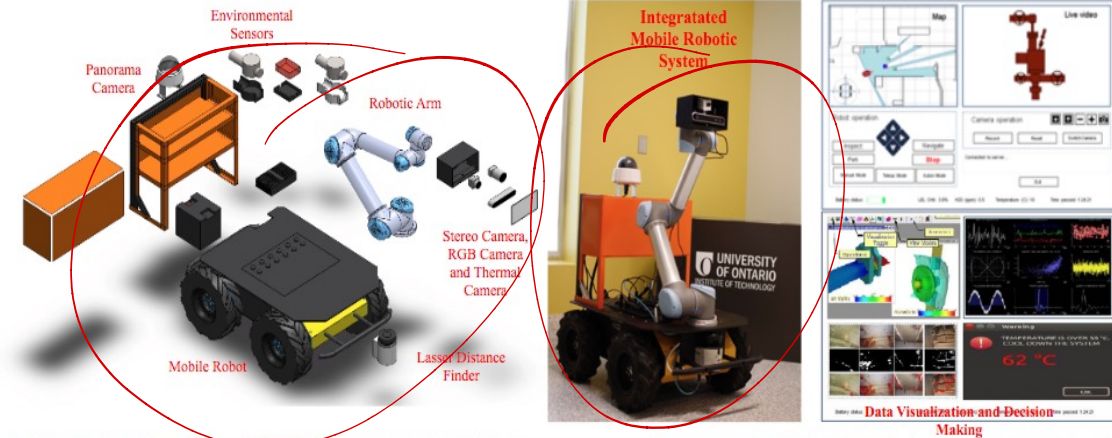
This course will introduce a unified multi-domain modeling tool, named Linear Graph and its applications. It provides students with the tools required to design, model, analyze and control mechatronic systems; i.e. smart systems comprising electronic, mechanical, fluid and thermal components. The techniques for modelling various system components will be studied in a unified approach developing tools for the simulation of the performance of these systems. A comprehensive example of the modeling and design of a mobile robotic system will be included and discussed.

Students who successfully complete the course should have reliably demonstrated the ability to:

- Use the basic tools required to design, model, analyze and control mechatronic systems
- Work with smart systems comprising electronic, mechanical, fluid and thermal components
- Model a wide variety of system components in a unified way
- Analyze various components needed to design and control mechatronic systems
- Apply AI and Machine Learning in advanced design and optimization



A snapshot of the course website



Technical Specifications

Degrees of Freedom: 6
 Maximum Reach*: 0.74 m
 Maximum Payload: 4.5 kg
 Power Supply: 48VDC, 10A
 Material: Carbon Fiber PLA
 Weight: 8.5 kg
 *No Additional Modules

Modes of Operation

- Joystick Control
- Predefined Positions
- Jog and Teach

Mounting

- Bench
- Dual arm
- Mobile base

Applications

The robotic arm is able to perform a **variety of tasks** across many industries. It is able to work alongside humans and can act as an extra hand.

Examples of tasks include drilling, pick-and-place, and the manipulation of objects with humans.

Discrete Wiring Contained within the Casing

Additional links can be tiled

- increases reach
- increases degrees of freedom

Strong and Lightweight Carbon Fiber PLA

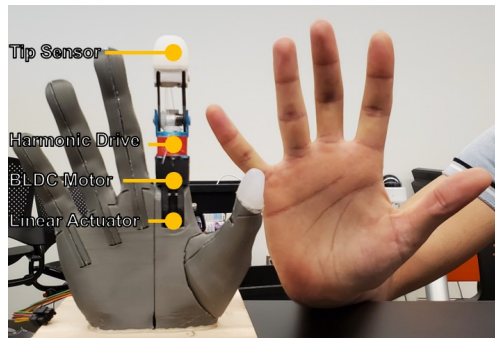
Mounting Capability for a Variety of Industrial Grippers

Protective Cover

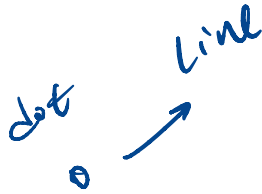
Unique Bevel Gear Design at Base

- provides powerful first two degrees of freedom
- keeps weight close to base

Mounting Ability in Almost Any Location



- Course Overview and Introduction
- Introduction to Modeling
- Basic Model Elements
- Analytical Modeling
- Graphical Models
- Linear Graph
- Linear Graph Examples
- Frequency Domain Models
- Transfer-Function Linear Graph
- Examples in Applications



- Understand the formal meanings of a **dynamic system** of **multi-physics systems** (e.g., **mechatronic systems**).
- Recognize different types of models (e.g., physical, analytical, computer, experimental) and their importance, usage, comparative advantages and disadvantages.
- Under analytical models, recognize the general and specific **pairs** of model **categories**.
- Understand the concepts of **through-variables** and **across-variables** and their physical significance, and relationship to state variables.
① *②*
2 categories
- Recognize similarities or analogies among the four physical domains: **mechanical**, **electrical**, ~~fluid~~, and ~~thermal~~ (this is the basis of the “unified” approach to modeling).
2 categories
- In each physical domain, recognize the lumped elements that **store energy** and that **dissipate energy**, based on the analogy among different physical domains.
- **Model a wide variety of system components** in a unified way
- **Apply AI and Machine Learning** in system modeling and design optimization

Clarence W. de Silva, *Mechatronics: A Foundation Course*, CRC Press, 2010.

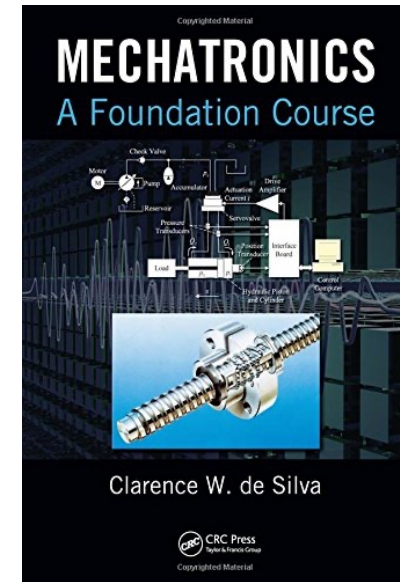
Haoxiang Lang, Eric McCormick and Clarence W. de Silva, *Appendix B of Modeling of Dynamic Systems with Engineering Applications*

Matlab Toolbox: GitHub Link

https://github.com/GRASP-ONTechU/Linear_Graph

Three Reference Articles: (downloadable on the course website)

- Research and Development of a Linear Graph-based Matlab Toolbox.
- Automated Multi-domain Engineering Design through Linear Graphs and Genetic Programming.
- Dynamic Modeling and Simulation of a Four-wheel Skid-Steer Mobile Robot using Linear Graphs.



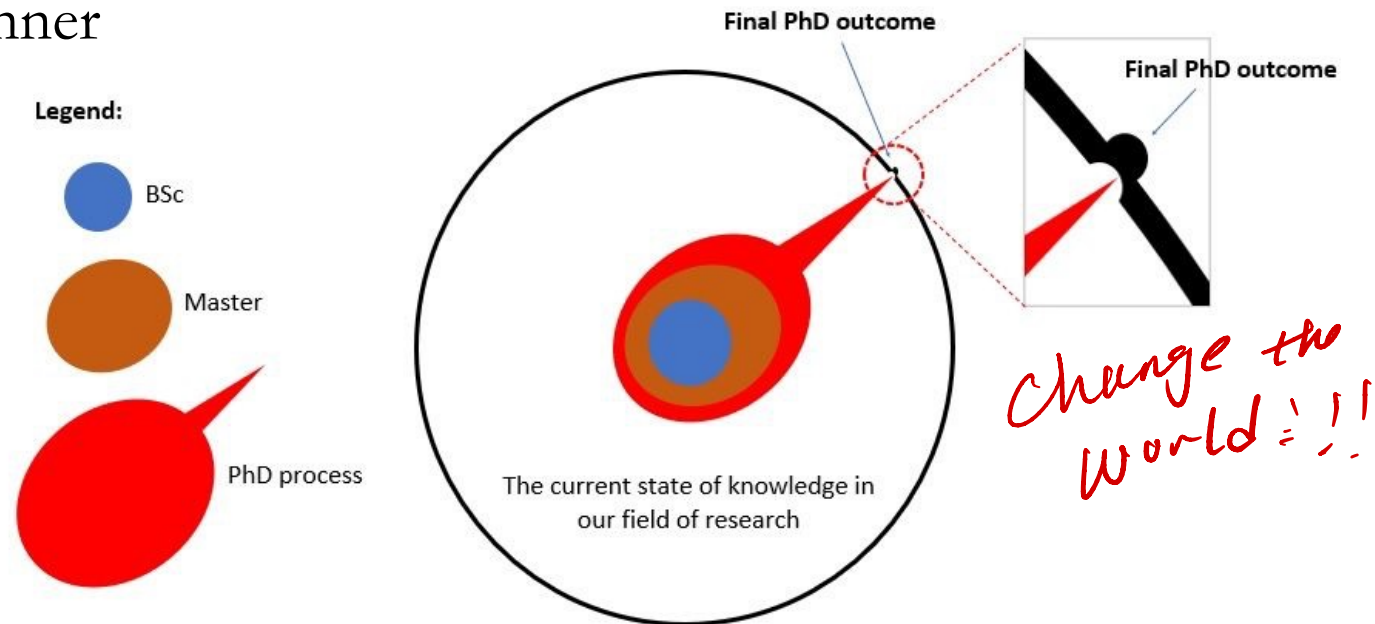
Goals:

Take-home exam / assignment.

- To understand basic modeling of dynamic systems and its procedure
- To formulate realistic modeling/design and possible control problems
- To do analysis and design for the problem using the course material
- To design and analyze of the multi-physics systems in Matlab, and implementation if possible

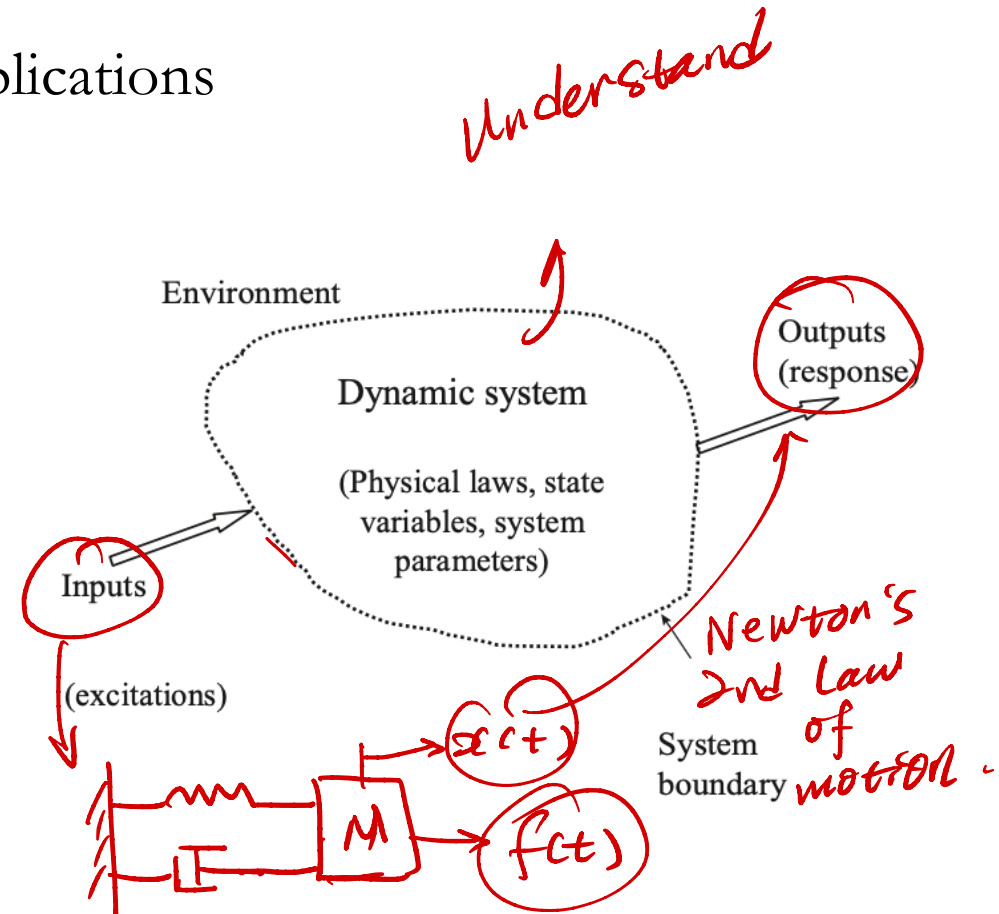
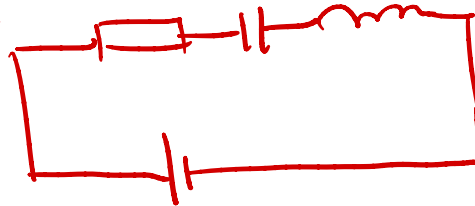
Broaden your vision

- Cutting-edge insight into system dynamics
- Foundation to develop expertise in design prototyping, control, instrumentation, experimentation and performance analysis
- Discussion of system dynamics
- Systematic, unified and integrated manner
- Introduce tools of modeling



- Introduce the subject of modeling, with focus on multi-physics engineering dynamic systems.
- The importance of dynamic modeling in various applications
- The use of models in the design and control
- Common types of models and modeling techniques and their advantages and disadvantages
- The idea of integrated, unified, systematic mechatronic modeling

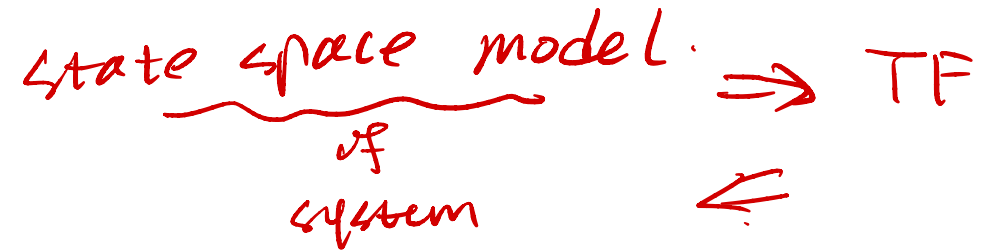
IP → Mechanical system
IP → Electrical system



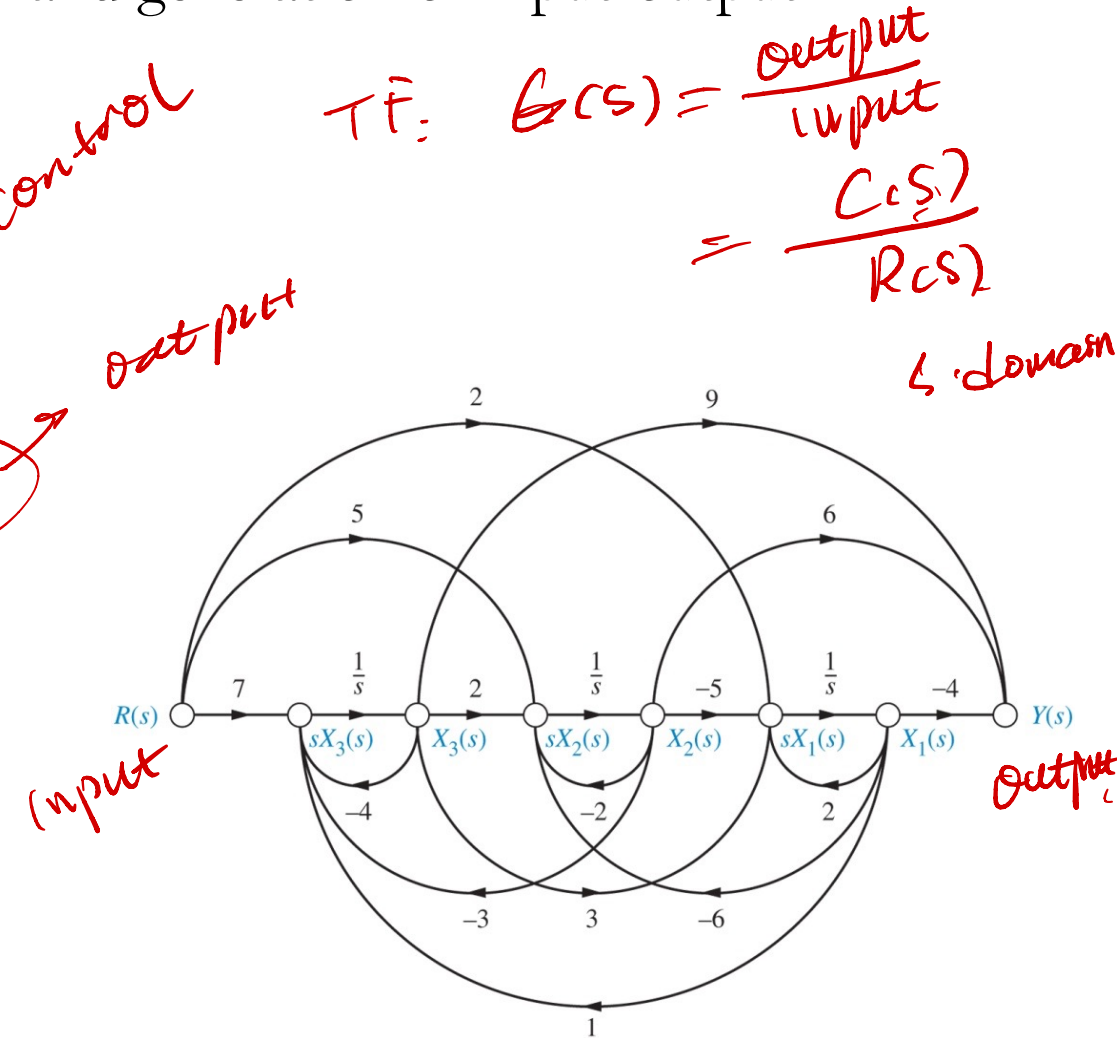
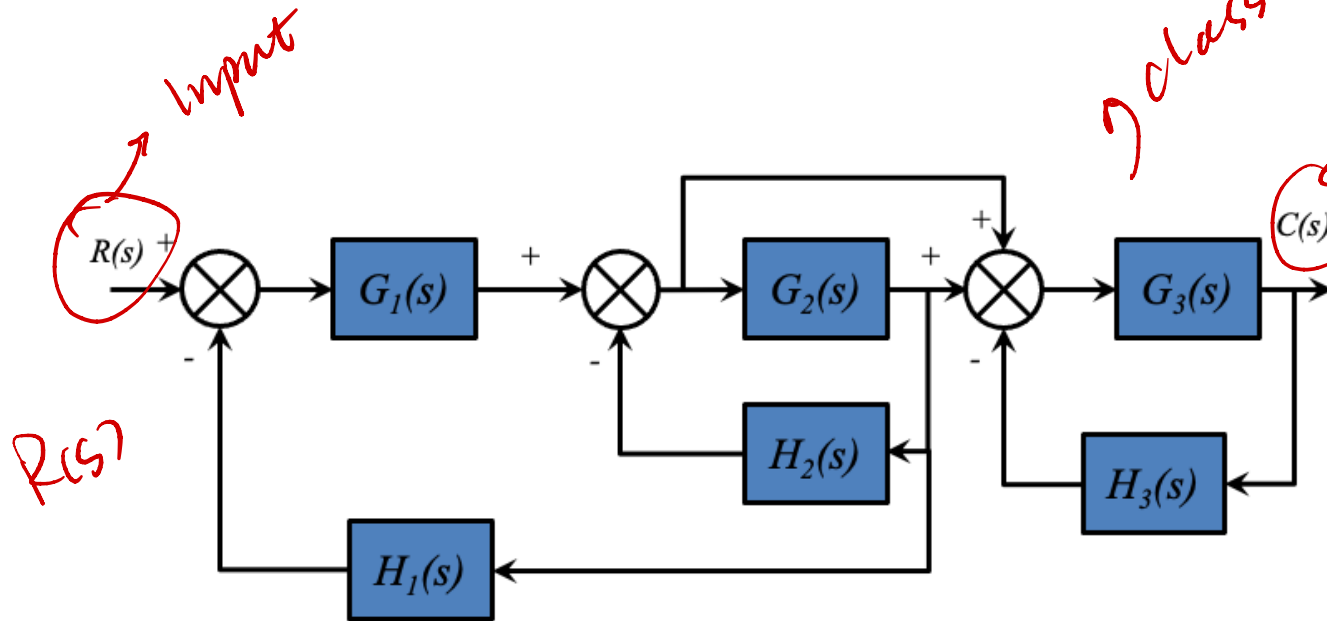
- Re-visit basic elements in **mechanical**, **electrical**, ~~fluid and thermal domain~~
- Introduce two new concepts: **across-variables** and **through-variables**
- Discuss similarities across domains
- Re-define basic elements with new categories for **energy storage elements**, **energy dissipation elements** and **sources**.
- Identification of proper and physically meaningful state variable across multiple physics domains.

state-space model (time domain model)
TF (TF) Frequency domain model.

- Formally introduces analytical modeling of dynamic systems — *state-space model*
- Systematic development of state-space models of engineering systems in four physical domains (*2 physical domain: Mechanical electrical*)
- Frequency domain models: Transfer Function (TF) (*Output → s domain, Input ↘ s domain*)
- A general methods of converting a state-space model into an input-output model
- Indicate the advantages and limitations
- Examples will be discussed

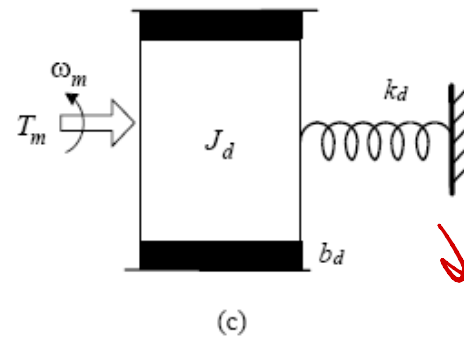
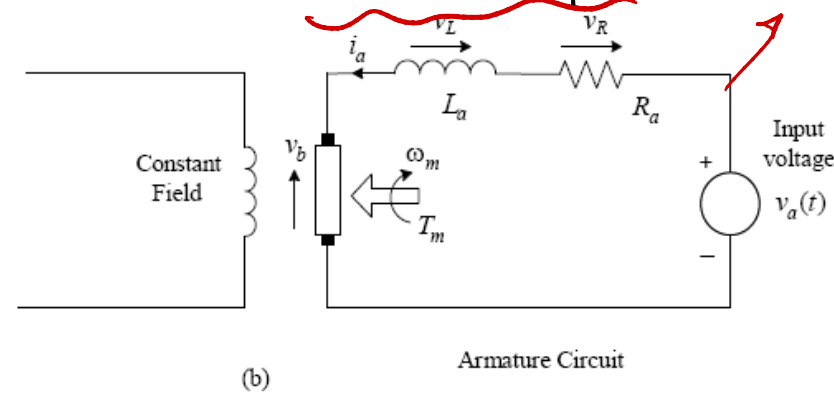
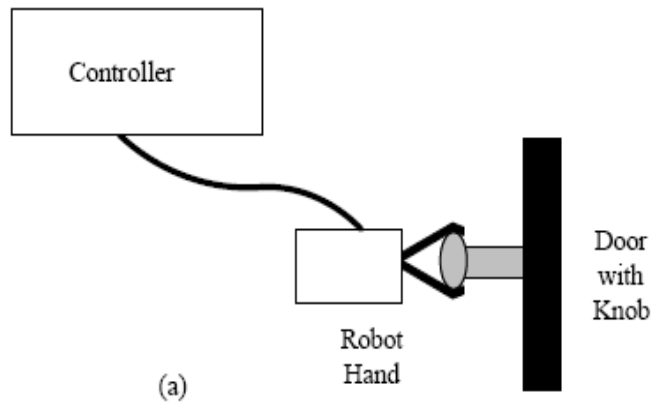


- System block diagram: formulation, simplification and generation of input-output model.
- Signal Flow Graph: formulation and calculation

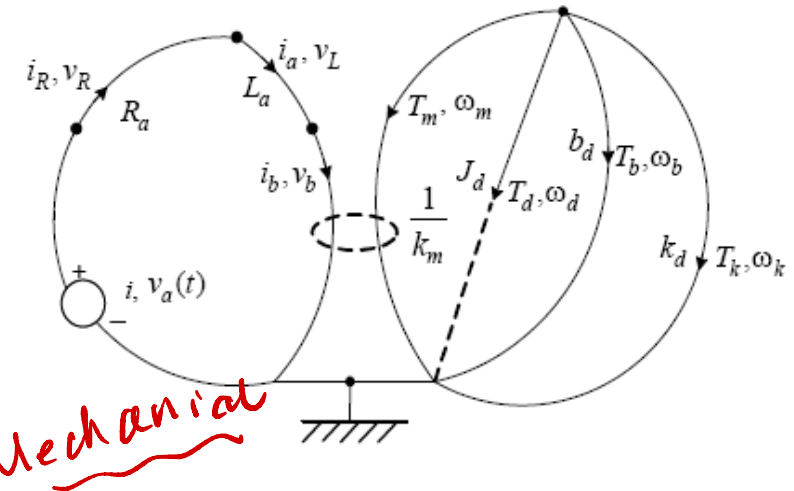


TF: $G(s) = \frac{\text{output}}{\text{input}} = \frac{C(s)}{R(s)}$

- Introduce the graphical tool for developing models of dynamic systems
- State-space model formulation of any physics (mechanical, electrical, fluid and thermal) or multi-domain (mixed) systems
- Discuss more advanced method in Linear Graph

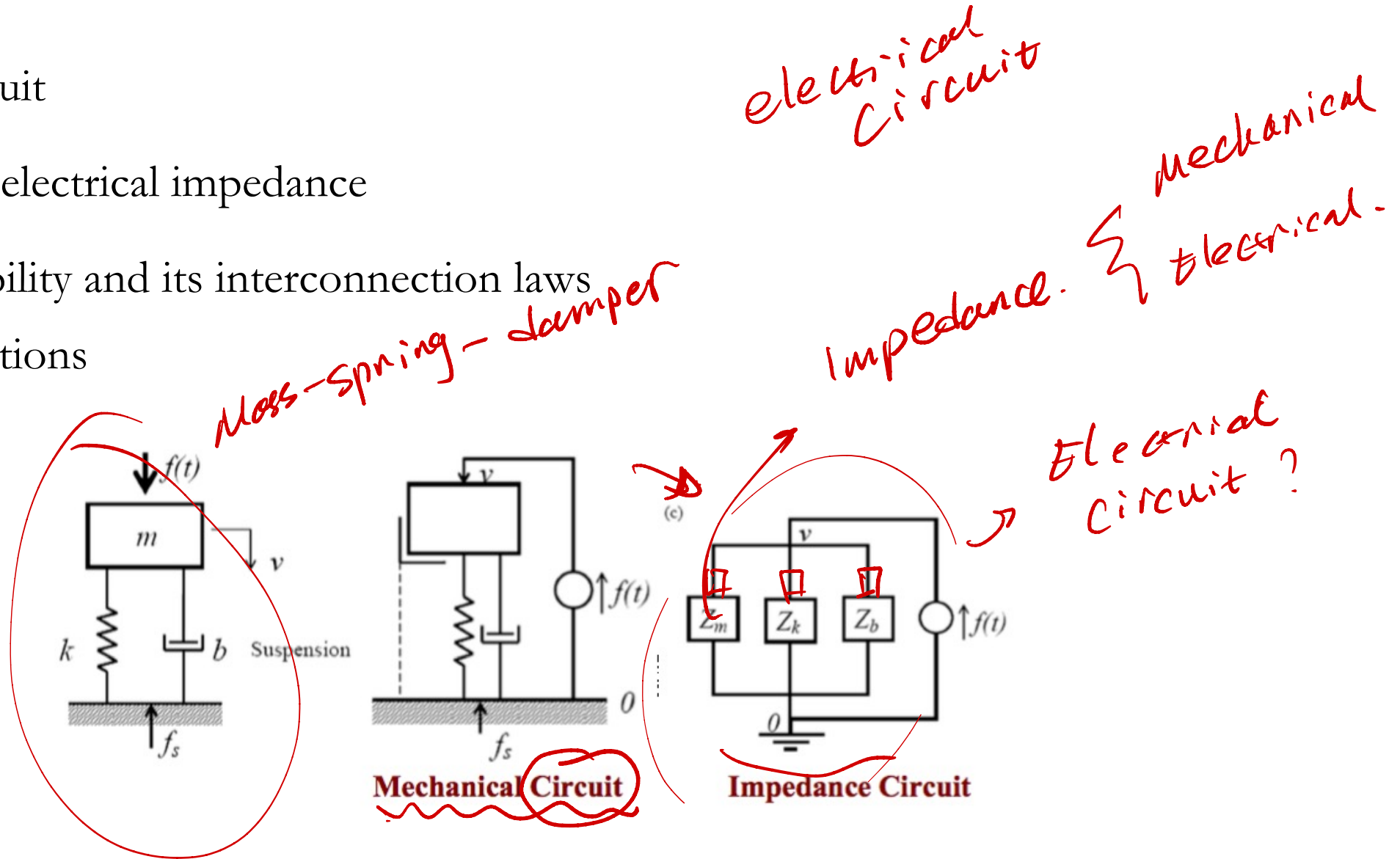


DC Motor
Electrical



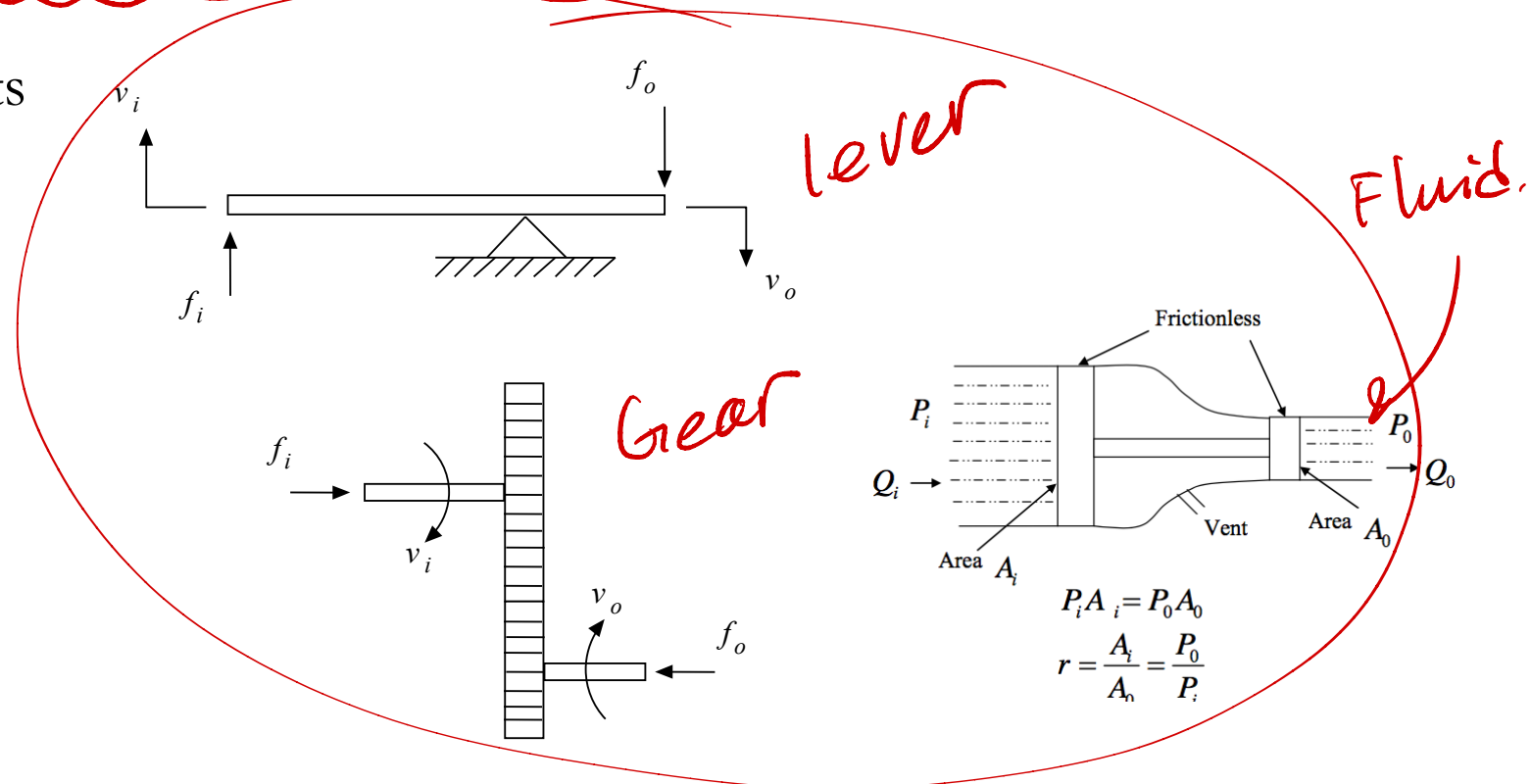
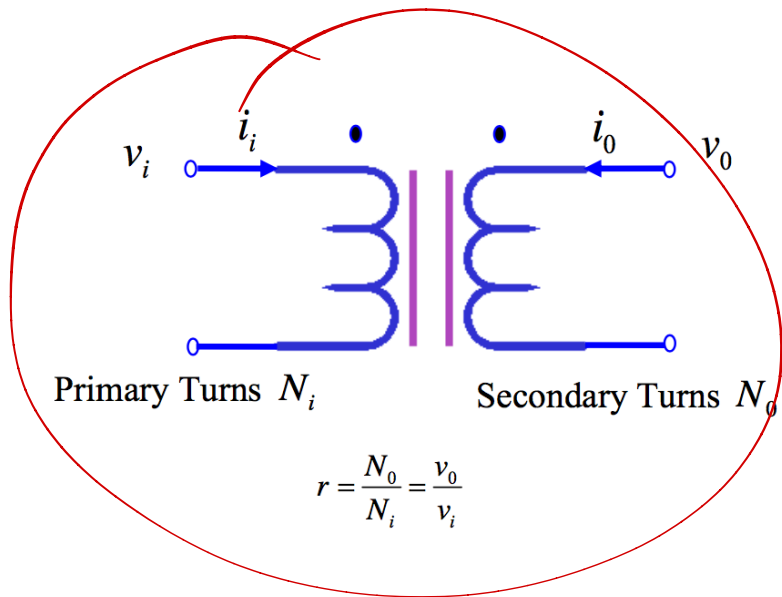
Mechanical

- Mechanical Circuit
- Mechanical and electrical impedance
- Mechanical mobility and its interconnection laws
- Practical applications

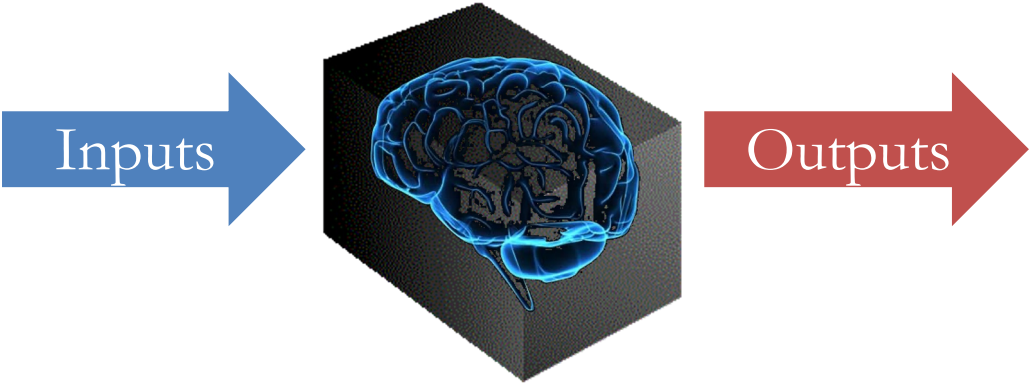
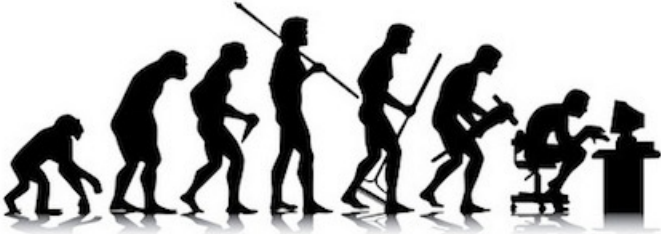


- Extension of the equivalent circuits (commonly in electrical domain) to other physical domain such as mechanical and fluid domains
- Reduction of linear graph using Thevenin and Norton equivalence
- Two port linear graph elements

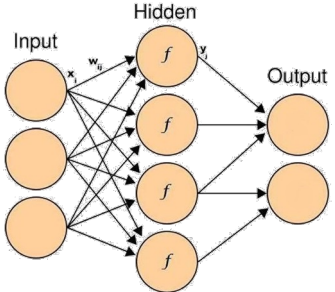
electrical



- Introduce general AI algorithms including NNs, GA and Machine Learning
- Discuss possible integration of AI in modeling and design
- Introduce examples



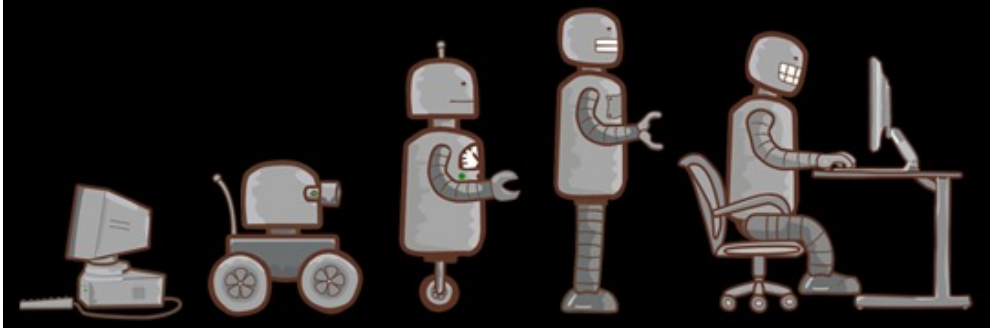
Reverse Engineering



$$f(x) = y_j = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\sum_{i=1}^n w_{ij}x_i)}$$

Artificial Intelligence:

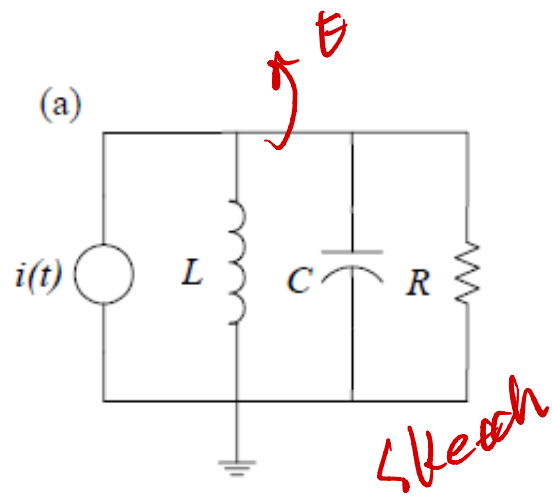
Capable of human-like qualities



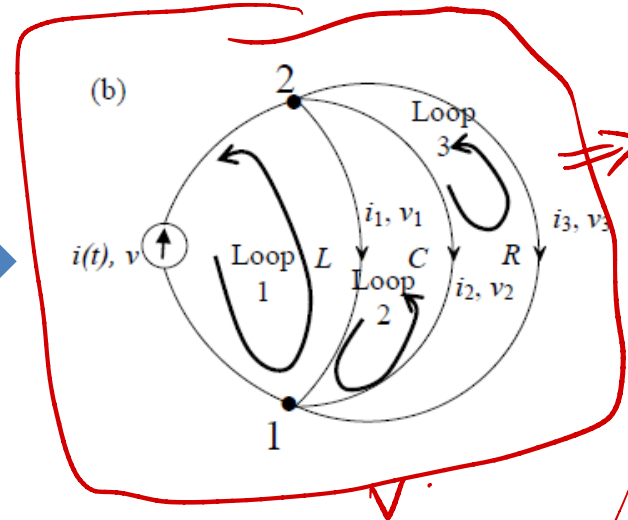
Understanding the system (e.g., human brain)

! The driving force behind the creation/evolution

Modeling and Design Example 1



Linear Graph model.



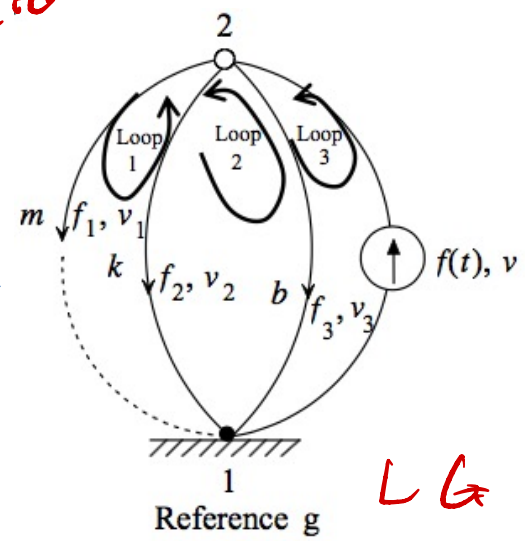
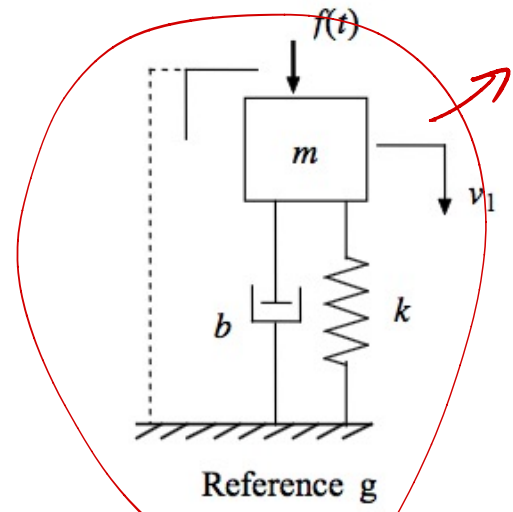
State space model

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

$$y = Cx + Du$$

u : inputs
 y : outputs
 x : states

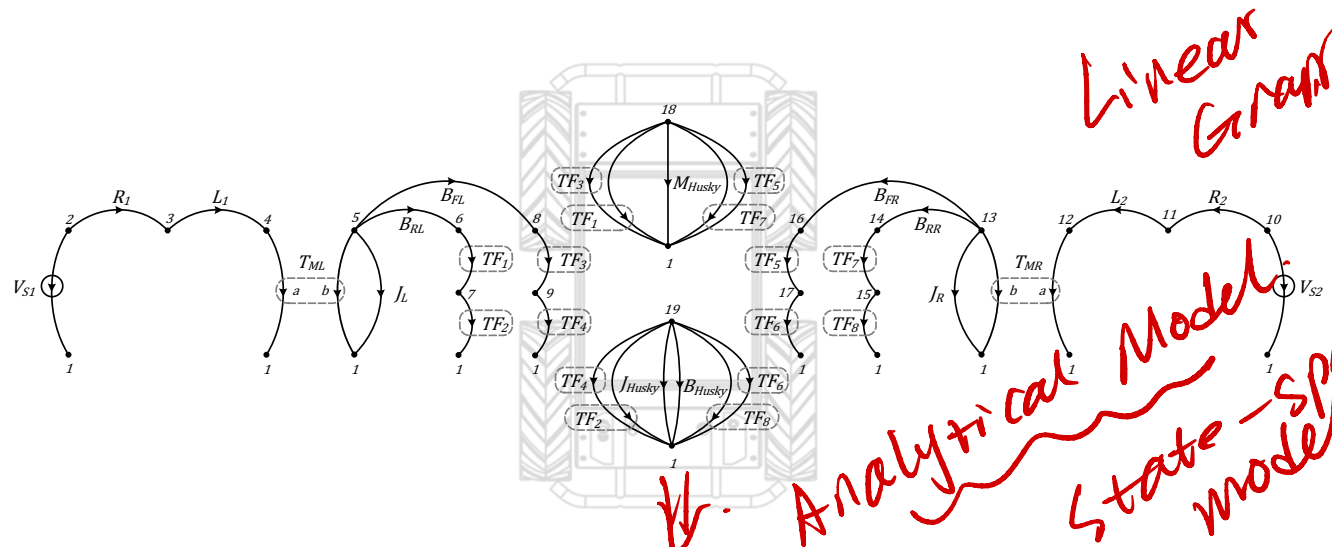
Mechanical



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -b/m & -1/m \\ k & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1/m \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u = f(t) \quad x = [x_1 \ x_2]^T = [v_1 \ f_2]^T$$



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-B_{FL} - B_{RL}}{J_L} & 0 & \frac{B_{FL}TF_3 + B_{RL}TF_1}{J_L} & \frac{B_{FL}TF_4 + B_{RL}TF_2}{J_L} & \frac{T_{ML}}{J_L} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{-B_{FR} - B_{RR}}{J_R} & \frac{B_{FR}TF_5 + B_{RR}TF_7}{J_R} & \frac{B_{FR}TF_6 + B_{RR}TF_8}{J_R} & 0 & \frac{T_{MR}}{J_R} \\ \frac{B_{FL}TF_3 + B_{RL}TF_1}{M_H} & \frac{B_{FR}TF_5 + B_{RR}TF_7}{M_H} & \frac{-B_{RL}TF_1^2 - B_{FL}TF_3^2 - B_{FR}TF_5^2 - B_{RR}TF_7^2}{M_H} & \frac{-B_{FL}TF_3TF_4 - B_{FR}TF_5TF_6 - B_{RL}TF_1TF_2 - B_{RR}TF_7TF_8}{M_H} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{B_{FL}TF_4 + B_{RL}TF_2}{M_H} & \frac{B_{FR}TF_6 + B_{RR}TF_8}{M_H} & \frac{-B_{FL}TF_3TF_4 - B_{FR}TF_5TF_6 - B_{RL}TF_1TF_2 - B_{RR}TF_7TF_8}{M_H} & \frac{-B_{RL}TF_2^2 - B_{FL}TF_4^2 - B_{FR}TF_6^2 - B_{RR}TF_8^2 - B_H}{J_H} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{J_H}{L_1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{R_1}{L_1} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{T_{MR}}{L_2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{R_2}{L_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{L_1} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{L_2} \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad D = [0]_{4 \times 2}$$



| Description | Parameter | Value | Units |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Voltage Inputs | V_{s1}, V_{s2} | ± 24 | V |
| Internal Motor Resistance | R_1, R_2 | 0.46 | Ω |
| Internal Motor Inductance | L_1, L_2 | 0.22 | mH |
| Motor Torque Constant | k_t | 0.044488 | $N \cdot m/A$ |
| Gear Ratio | GR | 78.71 : 1 | Gear Ratio |
| Motor Transformer Ratio | T_{ML}, T_{MR} | $k_t \times GR$ | $N \cdot m/A$ |
| Drivetrain Inertia | J_{LW}, J_{RW} | 0.08 | $kg \cdot m^2$ |
| Drivetrain Damping | $B_{RL,FL,FR,RR}$ | Unknown | $rad/(N \cdot m \cdot s)$ |
| Power Conversion Transformer Ratios | TF_{odd} | Equation (7) | |
| | TF_{even} | Equation (8) | |
| Husky Mass | M_{Husky} | 48.39 | kg |
| Husky Rotational Damping | B_{Husky} | Unknown | $rad/(N \cdot m \cdot s)$ |
| Husky Inertia | J_{Husky} | 3.0556 | $kg \cdot m^2$ |

