

Exercises for lectures 21 – Discrete-time equivalents



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Introduction: CL stability for cont. and disc. control

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Designing emulations: CL stability of cont. control does not guarantee CL stability of disc. control! We need to test "discrete stability"!

We will show it on the P regulator – simple one. We do not "approximate" it, but use "as is" for discrete control.

- For system $P(s) = \frac{a}{s+a}, a > 0$, regulator $C(s) = k_p$ for cont. control

CL characteristic polynomial is $c_{CL}(s) = s + a + ak_p$

- Now, use the same controller in discrete control $C(z) = C(s) = k_p$
- For the discrete case analysis we use a "discrete system model" (continuous sys. + sampler + ZOH shaper)

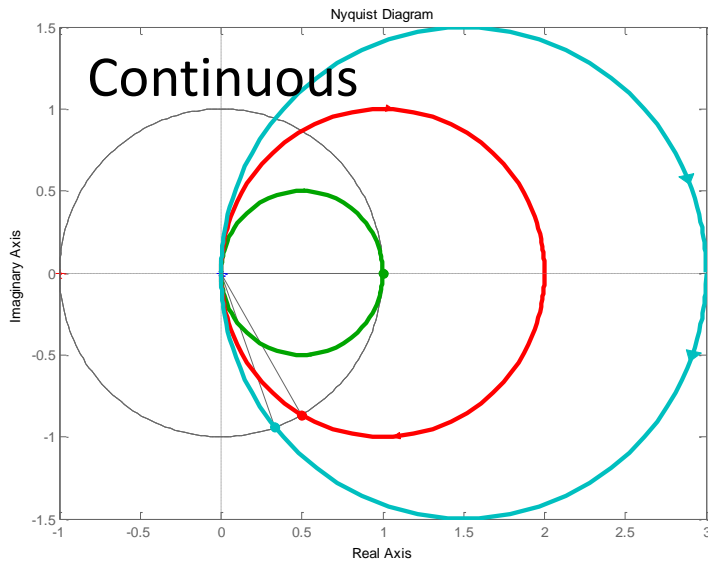
$$P(z) = \frac{1 - e^{-ah}}{z - e^{-ah}}$$

- Resulting CL characteristic polynomial is $c_{CL}(z) = z - e^{-ah} + (1 - e^{-ah})k_p$

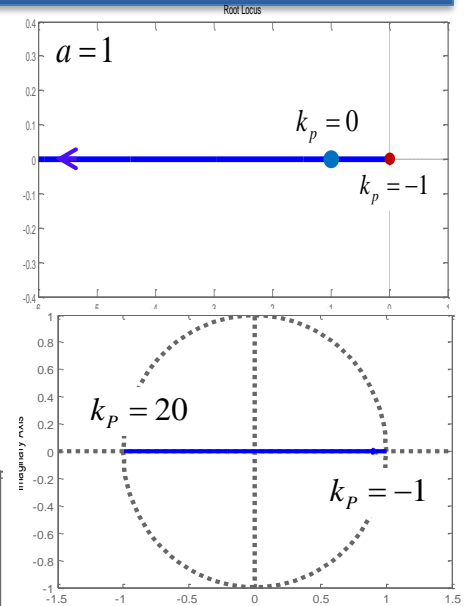
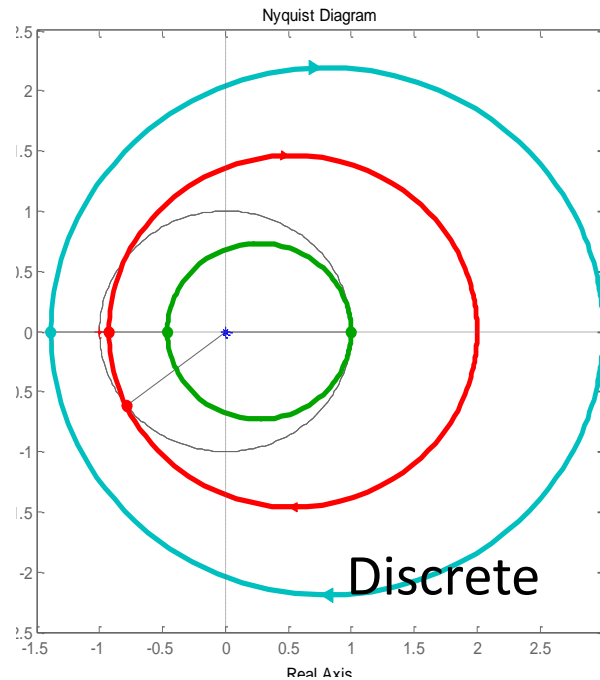


Introduction: CL stability for cont. and disc. control

- Continuous case $c_{CL}(s) = s + a + ak_p$
is **unstable** iff $k_p \leq -1$
- Discrete case $c_{CL}(z) = z - e^{-ah} + (1 - e^{-ah})k_p$
is **unstable** iff $k_p \leq -1$ or $k_p \geq \frac{1 + e^{-ah}}{1 - e^{-ah}}$



$$k_p = [1, 2, 3]$$



Continuous case
has infinite GM

Discrete case
has finite GM



CL stability for cont. and disc. control

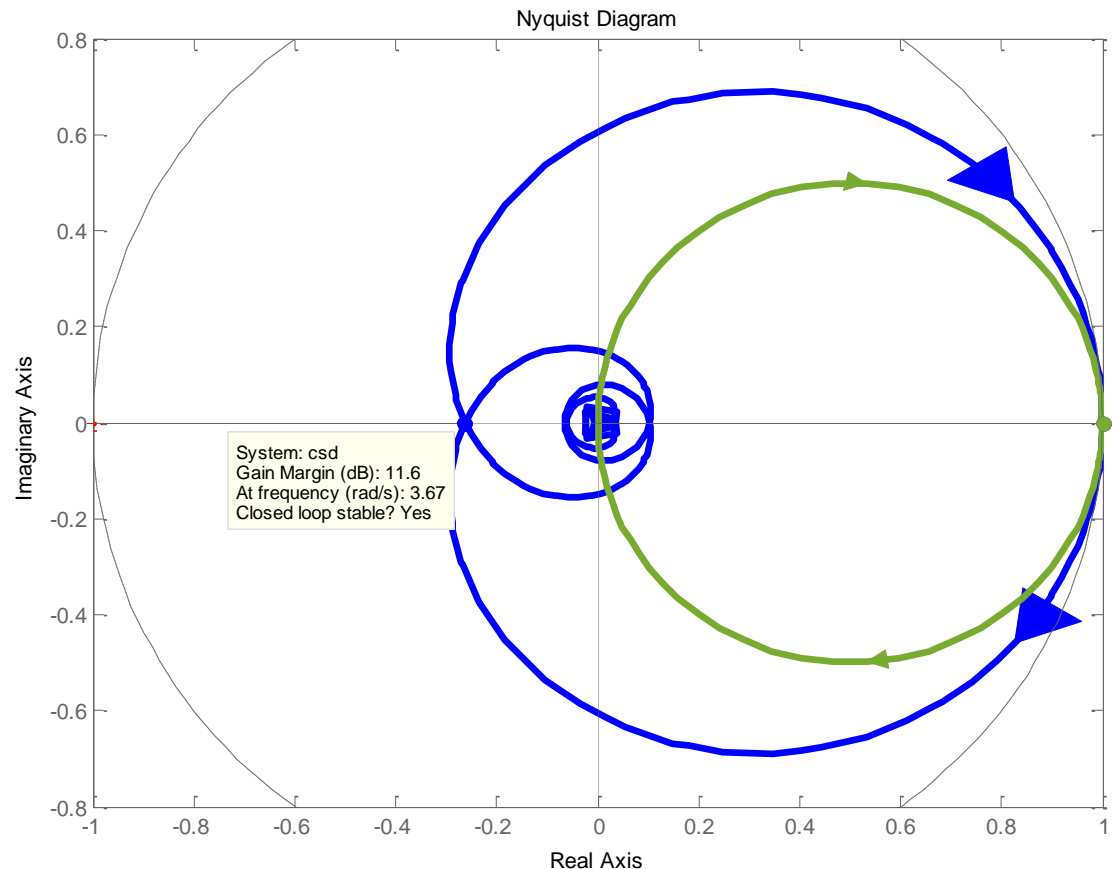
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- The difference is in sampling + ZOH !
- ZOH brings in - roughly speaking - a time delay $h/2$
- Compare

$$P(s) = \frac{a}{s + a}$$

$$P_{ZOH}(s) = \frac{a}{s + a} e^{-sh/2}$$

- What has finite GM!
- That's why it's better to count on it in a continuous design





Derivation of the Approximation method

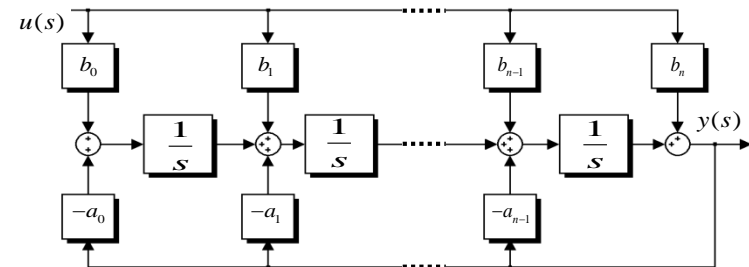
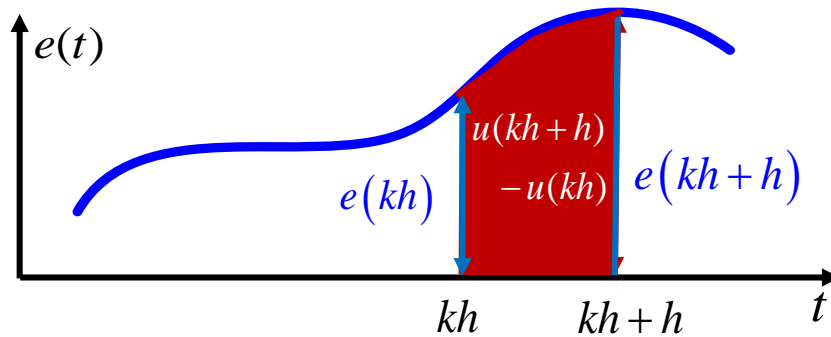
- Because a general controller (system) can be implemented by integrators

$$C(s) = \frac{u(s)}{e(s)} = \frac{a_n s^n + \dots + a_1 s + a_0}{b_n s^n + \dots + b_1 s + b_0}$$

- We derive a discrete approximation for one (every) integrator

$$C(s) = \frac{u(s)}{e(s)} = \frac{1}{s} \quad u(t) = u(0) + \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$

- Output per a sampling period is



$$u(kh + h) = u(kh) + \int_{kh}^{kh+h} e(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\int_{kh}^{kh+h} e(\tau) d\tau = u(kh + h) - u(kh)$$

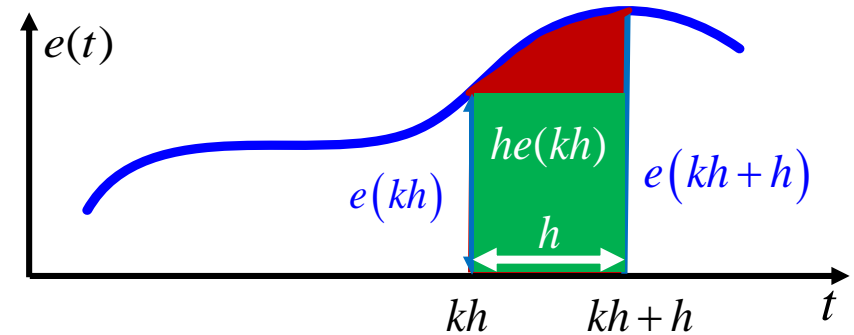
Different approaches approximate the integral by using values in discrete sampling moments.



- Replacing the differential by forward differentiation we approximate the red area by green rectangle

$$\int_{kh}^{kh+h} e(\tau) d\tau \approx he(kh)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u(kh+h) &= u(kh) + \int_{kh}^{kh+h} e(\tau) d\tau \\ &= u(kh) + he(kh) \end{aligned}$$



- Using the z-transformation

$$zu(z) = u(z) + he(z)$$

$$\frac{u(z)}{e(z)} = \frac{h}{z-1}$$



$$\frac{1}{s} \approx \frac{h}{z-1}$$



$$s \approx \frac{z-1}{h}$$

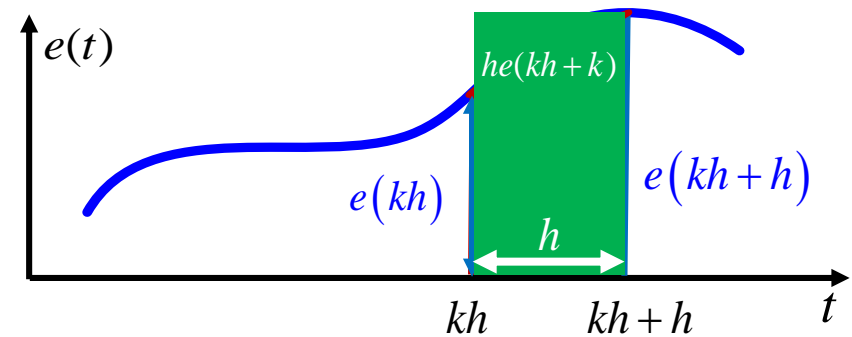
- This method is also known as Euler Approximation



- Replacing the differential by backward differentiation we approximate the **red area** by **green rectangle**

$$\int_{kh}^{kh+h} e(\tau) d\tau \approx he(kh+h)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u(kh+h) &= u(kh) + \int_{kh}^{kh+h} e(\tau) d\tau \\ &= u(kh) + he(kh+h) \end{aligned}$$



- Using the z-transformation

$$zu(z) = u(z) + zhe(z)$$

$$\frac{u(z)}{e(z)} = \frac{zh}{z-1}$$



$$\frac{1}{s} \cong \frac{zh}{z-1}$$



$$s \cong \frac{z-1}{zh}$$

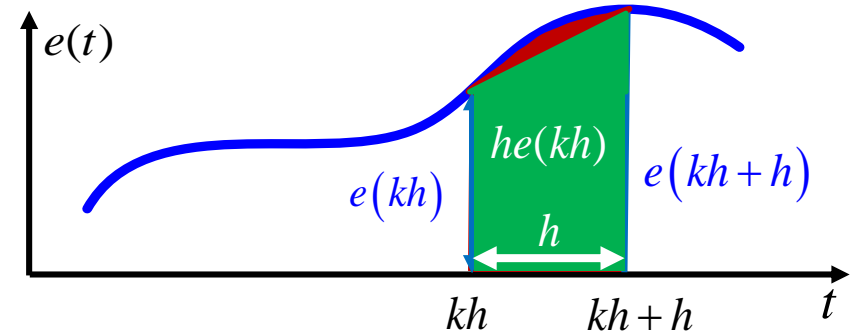


Tustin's (bilinear) method

- Replacing the differential by bilinear differentiation we approximate the red area by green rectangle

$$\int_{kh}^{kh+h} e(\tau) d\tau \approx \frac{h}{2} [e(hk) + e(hk + h)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} u(kh + h) &= u(kh) + \int_{kh}^{kh+h} e(\tau) d\tau \\ &= u(kh) + \frac{h}{2} [e(hk) + e(hk + h)] \end{aligned}$$



The content of the green trapezoid

$$\frac{h}{2} [e(hk) + e(hk + h)]$$

- Using the z-transformation

$$zu(z) = u(z) + \frac{h}{2} e(z) + \frac{h}{2} ze(z)$$

$$\frac{u(z)}{e(z)} = \frac{h}{2} \frac{z+1}{z-1}$$



$$\frac{1}{s} \cong \frac{h}{2} \frac{z+1}{z-1}$$



$$s \cong \frac{2}{h} \frac{z-1}{z+1} = \frac{2}{h} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}$$



Order

- All these transformations preserve the system order and the number of poles
Higher order approximation are not used because the order would increase

Aliasing

- Beware of a stroboscopic effect: The controller incorrectly responds to the incorrectly sampled (alised) signal: error or reference
- “Anti-aliasing filter“ can help: The high frequency signals do not act incorrectly, they are invisible
- But the filter adds a phase delay and potentially destabilizes the CL

Stability OL

- If $C(s)$ is stable, is $C(z)$ stable? Comparison later. [Minimal phase in details.](#)

Stability CL:

- Although a continuous CL system is designed to be stable, with a discrete controller it might be unstable
- We need to calculate the discrete-time system with sampler and ZOH, connect the discrete controller to it and verify the discrete CL stability!



Forward differentiation

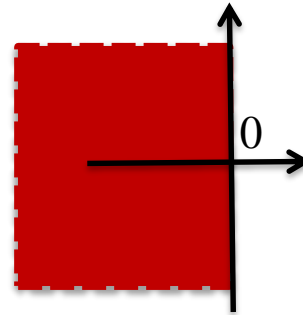
$$z = e^{sh} \approx 1 + sh$$

$$\operatorname{Re} s < 0 \rightarrow \operatorname{Re} s < 1$$

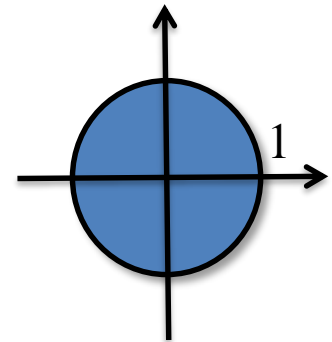
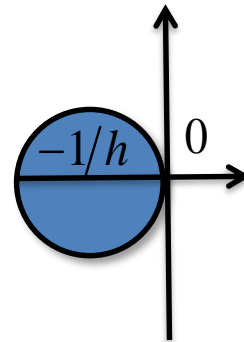
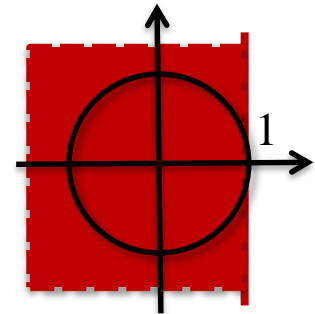
$$s = \frac{z-1}{h} = \frac{z}{h} - \frac{1}{h}$$

$$\operatorname{Re} |z| < 1 \rightarrow \operatorname{Re} |1 + sh| < 1$$

continuous



discrete



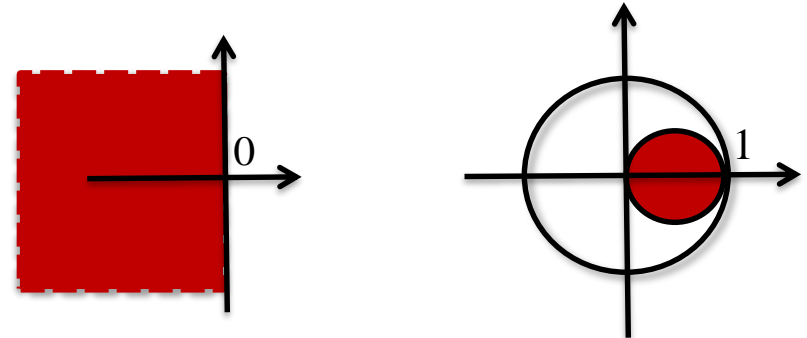
- Stable continuous controller with high frequency or low damped modes (poles) has unstable discrete approximation



Backward differentiation

$$z = \frac{1}{1 - sh}$$

- Preserves stability
- Although it has continuous low-damped modes, discrete has not.

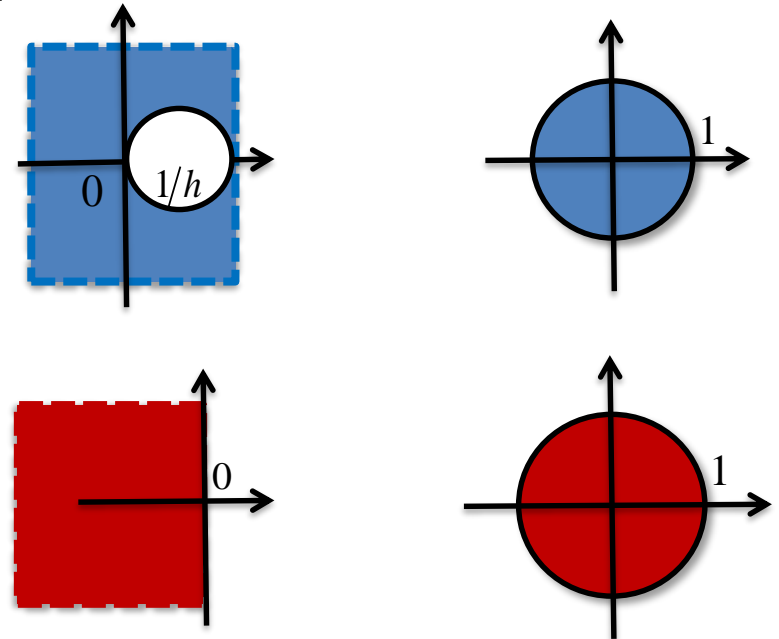


$$s = \frac{1}{h} - \frac{1}{hz}$$

Tustin's method

$$z = \frac{1 + sh/2}{1 - sh/2}, s = \frac{2}{h} \frac{z - 1}{z + 1}$$

- It preserves stability (and minimum phase)
- The stable area transformation is one-to-one, therefore it is used most often





- Manually

$$C(s) = \frac{a}{a+s} \quad \xrightarrow{\quad} \quad C_{\text{Tustin}}(z) = \frac{a}{a + \frac{2}{h} \left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} \right)} = \frac{(1+z^{-1})ah}{ah + 2(1-z^{-1})}$$
$$s = \frac{2}{h} \left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} \right)$$

- In Matlab – CSTbx:

```
>> a=2 ;h=4 ;C=a ./ (a+s)
C =      2
-----
      2 + s

>> CTustin=c2d(tf(C),h,'tustin')
Transfer function:
      0.8 z + 0.8
-----
           z + 0.6
Sampling time: 4
```



Continuous controller with a transfer function $C(s) = \frac{a}{a+s}$

- Approximation by forward differentiation

$$C_{\text{forward}}(z) = \frac{a}{a + \frac{z-1}{h}} = \frac{ah}{z + ah - 1}$$

- Backward differentiation

$$C_{\text{backward}}(z) = \frac{a}{a + \frac{z-1}{zh}} = \frac{ahz}{z(ah+1) - 1}$$

- And Tustin's method

$$C_{\text{Tustin}}(z) = \frac{a}{a + \frac{2}{h} \left(\frac{z-1}{z+1} \right)} = \frac{ah(z+1)}{(ah+2)z + ah - 2}$$



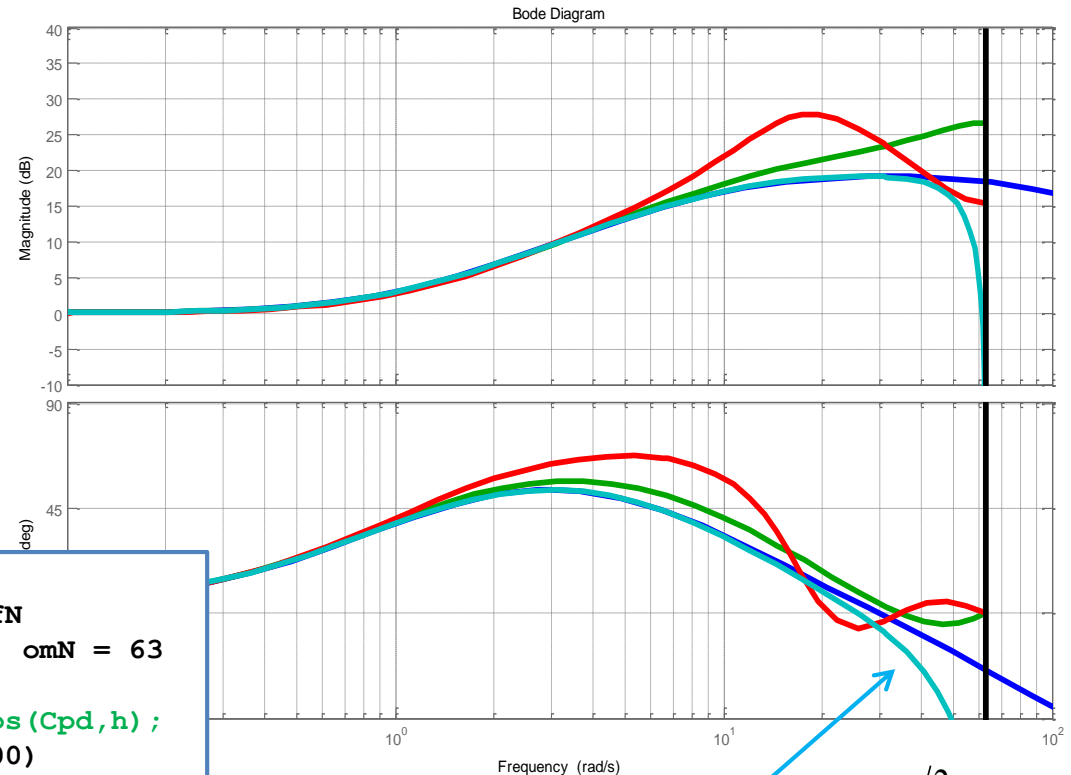
Continuous regulator:

$$C(s) = \frac{s+1}{(0.1s+1)(0.01+s)}$$

Approximate:

- Forward differentiation
- Backward differentiation
- Tustin's method

```
>> C=(s+1)/((0.1*s+1)*(0.01*s+1));h=.05;  
>> fs=1/h,fN=fs/2,oms=2*pi*fs,omN=2*pi*fN  
h = 0.0500, fs = 20, fN = 10, oms = 12^, omN = 63  
>> S=(z-1)/h;  
>> Cpd=(S+1)/((0.1*S+1)*(0.01*S+1)),props(Cpd,h);  
Cpd = 50(z-0.9500)/(z+4.0000)(z-0.5000)  
>> S=(z-1)./h*z;  
>> Czd=(S+1)/((0.1*S+1)*(0.01*S+1)),props(Czd,h);  
>> Ctu=c2d(tf(C),h,'tustin')  
Transfer function:  
5.857 z^2 + 0.2857 z - 5.571  
-----  
z^2 - 0.1714 z - 0.2571  
>> bode(tf(C),tf(Cpd),tf(Czd),Ctu)
```



$$\omega_s/2 = \omega_N = 63 \text{ rad/s}$$

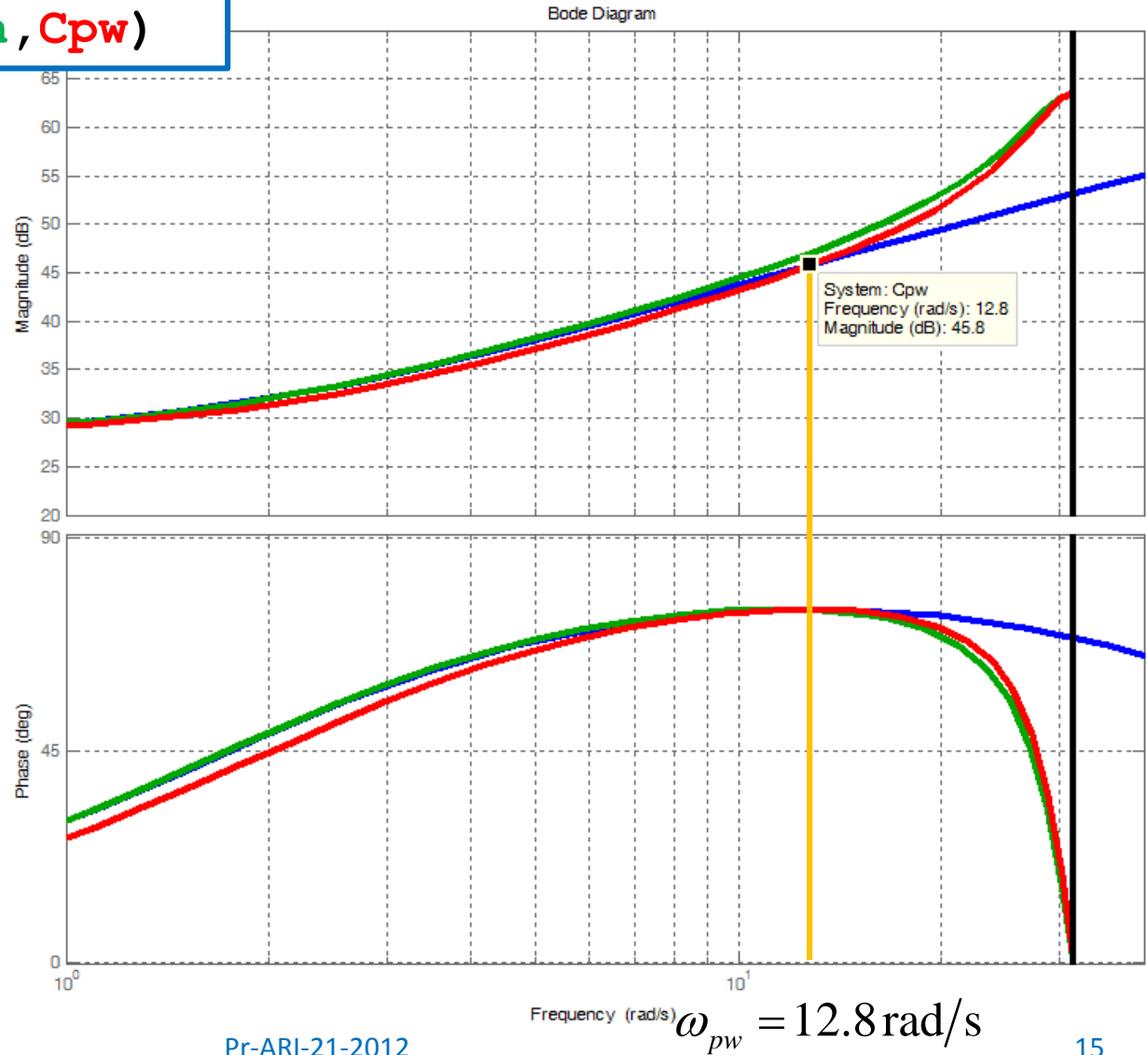
Tustin's approximation: the best, up to the Nyquist frequency!



Exampe: Prewarping

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>> `bode (C , Ctustin , Cpw)`





MPZ (Matched pole-zero)

- It is based on pole/zero relationship $z_i = e^{s_i h}$ for continuous and sampled signal.
- If it is possible we add zero in $z^{-1} = -1$, therefore $(z^{-1} + 1)$ Leading to averaging current and previous values
- The method is simple and practical, although not very substantiated

MPZ Procedure

1. Calculate the zeros and poles of the continuous controller $C(s)$
2. set $C(z)$ so that $z_i = e^{s_i h}$
3. If it is possible, **add the numerator members** $(z + 1)$ so that **numerator degree = denominator degree**
4. Set low frequency gain of $C(z)$ same as it was in $C(s)$



MPZ for

$$C(s) = K_C \frac{s+a}{s+b} \quad \downarrow \quad z_i = e^{s_i h}$$

$$C_{MPZ}(z) = K_D \frac{z - e^{-ah}}{z - e^{-bh}}$$

$$C(0) = K_C \frac{a}{b} = C_{MPZ}(1) = K_D \frac{1 - e^{-ah}}{1 - e^{-bh}} \quad \rightarrow \quad K_D = K_C \frac{a}{b} \frac{1 - e^{-bh}}{1 - e^{-ah}}$$

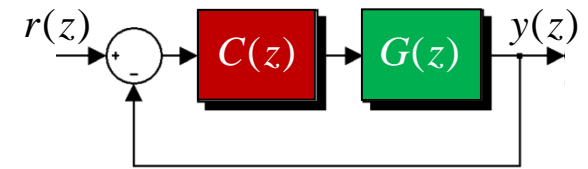
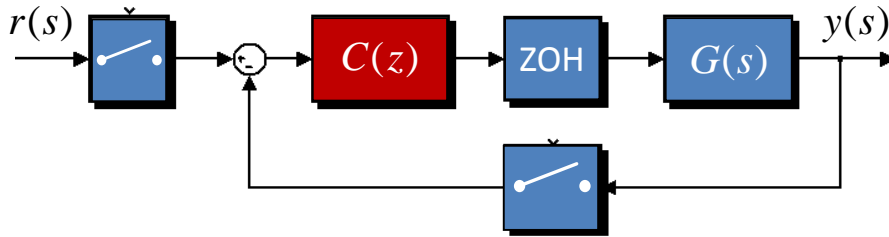
MPZ for

$$C(s) = K_C \frac{s+a}{s(s+b)} \rightarrow C_{MPZ,1}(z) = K_D \frac{z - e^{-ah}}{(z-1)(z - e^{-bh})} \rightarrow C_{MPZ}(z) = K_D \frac{(z+1)(z - e^{-ah})}{(z-1)(z - e^{-bh})}$$

$$K_D = K_C \frac{a}{2b} \frac{1 - e^{-bh}}{1 - e^{-ah}}$$



Example: ZOH



For continuous transfer function

$$G(s) = \frac{a}{s+a}$$

Discrete TF is

$$G(z) = (1-z^{-1})Z\left\{\frac{a}{s(s+a)}\right\} = (1-z^{-1})\frac{(1-e^{-ah})z^{-1}}{(1-z^{-1})(1-e^{-ah}z^{-1})}$$

$$= \frac{1-\alpha}{z-\alpha},$$

$$\alpha = e^{-ah}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{a}{s(s+a)}\right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s+a}\right\} = 1 - e^{-at} \rightarrow 1 - e^{-akh}$$

$$Z\{1 - e^{-akh}\} = \frac{z}{z-1} - \frac{z}{z-e^{-ah}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}} - \frac{1}{1-e^{-ah}z^{-1}}$$

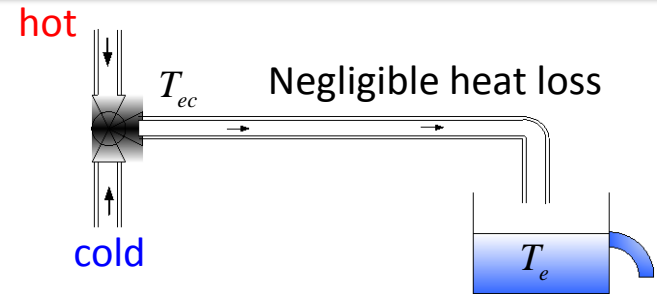
$$= \frac{(1-e^{-ah})z^{-1}}{(1-z^{-1})(1-e^{-ah}z^{-1})}$$

```
>> sdf(c2d(tf(1/(s+1)),1,'zoh'))
ans = 0.6321
      ----- reduced
      (z-0.3679)
```



- Continuous TF of the mixer part is

$$G(s) = \frac{T_e(s)}{T_{ec}(s)} = e^{\tau_d s} F(s) = e^{\tau_d s} \frac{s}{s+a}$$



- For values $a = 1, h = 1, \tau_d = 1.5$ We find discrete TF
- Because time delay τ_d is not integer multiple of sampling period h , It is divided to

$$\tau_d = lh - mh, l \in \mathbb{Z}, m < 1, m \in \mathbb{R} \quad \longrightarrow \quad 1.5 = 2 - 0.5, h = 1, l = 2, \lambda = 0.5$$

- So we get

$$\frac{G(s)}{s} = e^{-l h s} \frac{e^{-m h s} F(s)}{s}$$

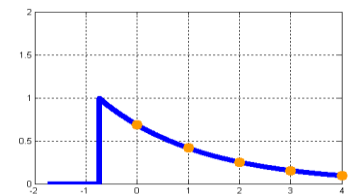
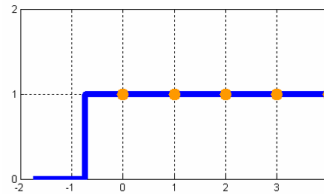
- And the element $e^{-l h s}$ will change to z^{-l}



- After substitution and partial fractions decomposition, we will get

$$G(z) = (1 - z^{-1}) Z \left\{ \frac{G(s)}{s} \right\} = (1 - z^{-1}) z^{-l} Z \left\{ \frac{e^{-mhs}}{s} - \frac{e^{-mhs}}{s+a} \right\}$$

mh second shifted unit step and exponential with the same time shift



- Time shift is less than the entire period ($m < 1$),
It does not take a sample for $t < 0$
- Samples are

$$1(kh) \quad \longrightarrow \quad z/(z-1)$$

$$e^{-ah(k+m)} 1(kh) \quad \longrightarrow \quad ze^{-amh} / (z - e^{-ah})$$

- Therefore

$$G(z) = \frac{z-1}{z} \frac{1}{z^l} \left(\frac{z}{z-1} - \frac{ze^{-amh}}{z - e^{-ah}} \right) = (1 - e^{-amh}) \frac{z + \alpha}{z^l (z - e^{-ah})}$$



Example: Time delay

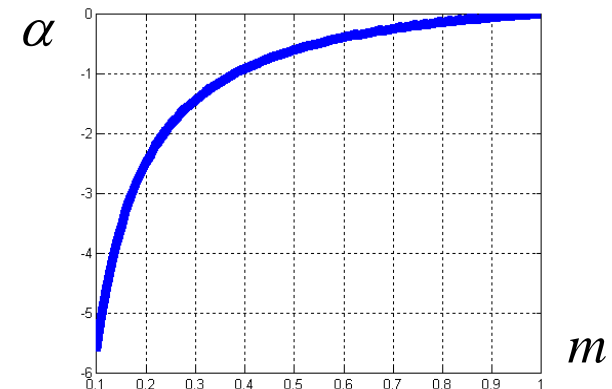
- For values $a = 1, h = 1, \tau_d = 1.5$

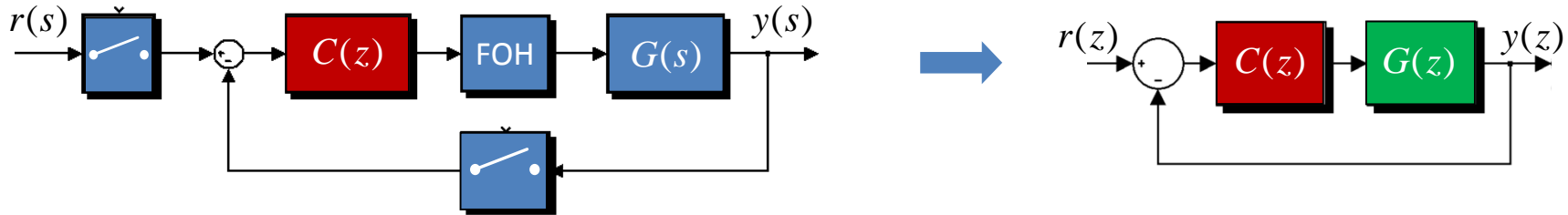
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>> G=tf([1],[1 1],'iodelay',1.5)
Transfer function:
          1
exp(-1.5*s) * ----
              s + 1
>> Gd=c2d(G,1,'zoh')
Transfer function:
      0.3935 z + 0.2387
z^(-1) * ----
          z^2 - 0.3679 z
Sampling time: 1
>> Gd/.3935
Transfer function:
          z + 0.6065
z^(-1) * ----
          z^2 - 0.3679 z
Sampling time: 1
```

```
>> m=0.1:0.01:1;alpha=(exp(-m)-exp(-1))/(1-exp(-m)); plot(m,-alpha);
>> syms m; m_sb=solve('(exp(-m)-exp(-1))/(1-exp(-m))=1')
m_sb = -log(1/2*exp(-1)+1/2)
>> vpa(m_sb,3)      ans = .380
```

- Continuous TF doesn't have a zero
- Discrete TF has a zero in

$$-\alpha = -\frac{e^{-amh} - e^{-ah}}{1 - e^{-amh}}$$





- For continuous TF $G(s) = \frac{1}{s^2}$ we calculate

$$Z\left\{\frac{G(s)}{s^2}\right\} = Z\left\{\frac{1}{s^4}\right\} = \frac{t^3}{3!} \rightarrow \frac{(kh)^3}{6} \rightarrow Z\left\{\frac{1}{6}(kh)^3\right\} = \frac{h^3}{6} Z\{k^3\} = \frac{h^3}{6} \frac{z(z^2 + 4z + 1)}{(z-1)^4}$$

- Then discrete TF is

$$G(z) = \frac{(z-1)^2}{hz} \frac{h^3}{6} \frac{z(z^2 + 4z + 1)}{(z-1)^4}$$

$$= \frac{h^2}{6} \frac{(z^2 + 4z + 1)}{(z-1)^2}$$

```
>> Gz=c2d(tf(1/s^2),1,'foh')
Transfer function:
0.1667 z^2 + 0.6667 z + 0.1667
-----
                z^2 - 2 z + 1
Sampling time: 1
>> Gzp=sdf(Gz)
Gzp =
0.1667 (z+3.7321) (z+0.2679)
-----
                (z-1) (z-1)
```



```
>> D=5/(s+5);DD=zpk(D); T=1/15;
>> DDtustin=c2d(DD,T,'tustin'),
    DDmpz=c2d(DD,T,'matched'), ...
    DDzoh=c2d(DD,T,'zoh'),DDfoh=c2d(DD,T,'foh'), ...
Zero/pole/gain:
    0.14286 (z+1)
    -----
    (z-0.7143)
Sampling time: 0.066667
Zero/pole/gain:
    0.28347
    -----
    (z-0.7165)
Sampling time: 0.066667
Zero/pole/gain:
    0.28347
    -----
    (z-0.7165)
Sampling time: 0.066667
Zero/pole/gain:
    0.14959 (z+0.8949)
    -----
    (z-0.7165)
Sampling time: 0.066667

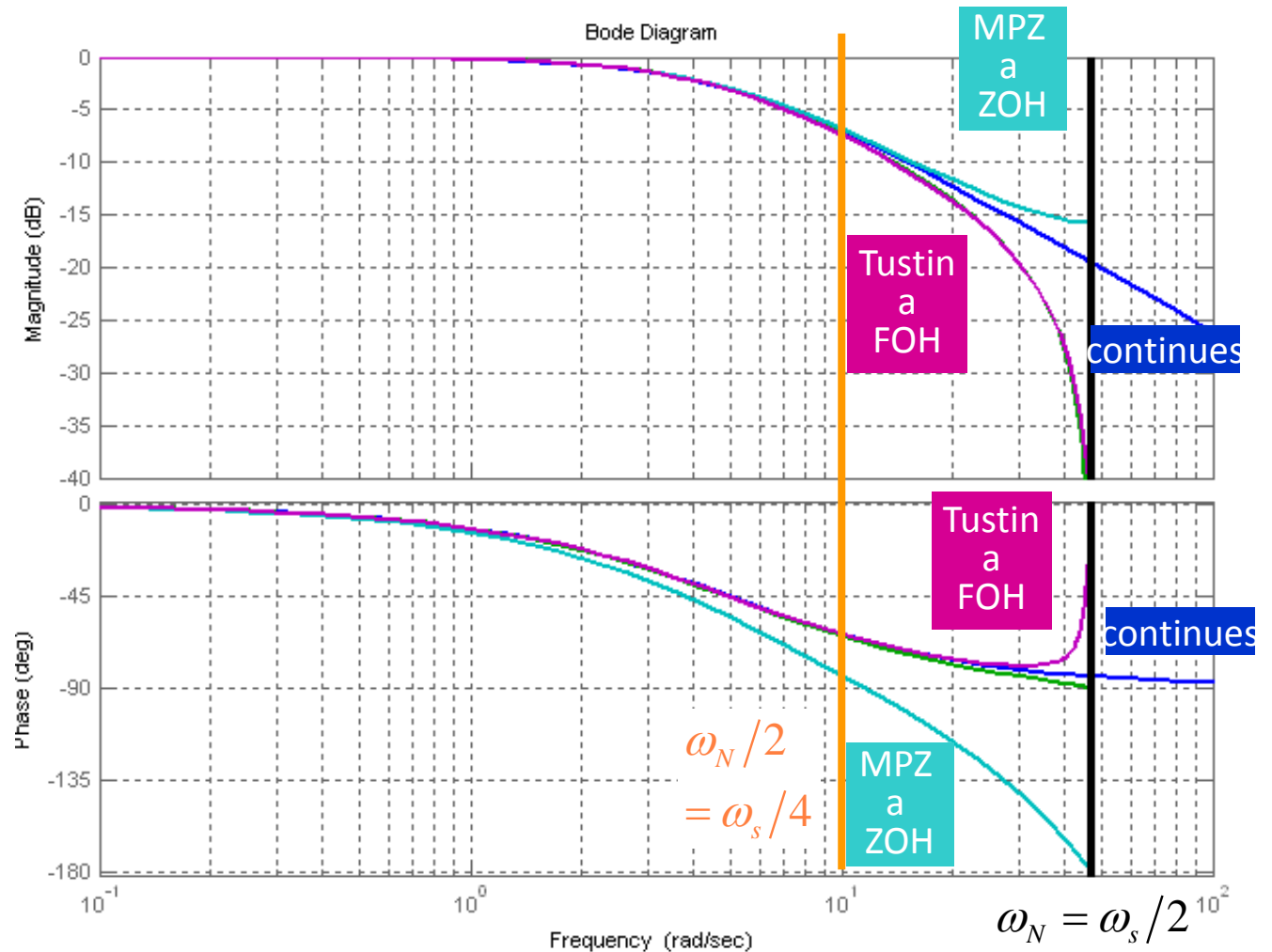
>> bode(DD,DDtustin,DDmpz,DDzoh,DDfoh)
>> omegas=2*pi/T          omegas = 94.2478
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Frequency characteristics comparison

$$G(s) = \frac{5}{s+5}$$
$$h = 1/15 \text{ s}$$
$$\omega_s \approx 94 \text{ rad}$$

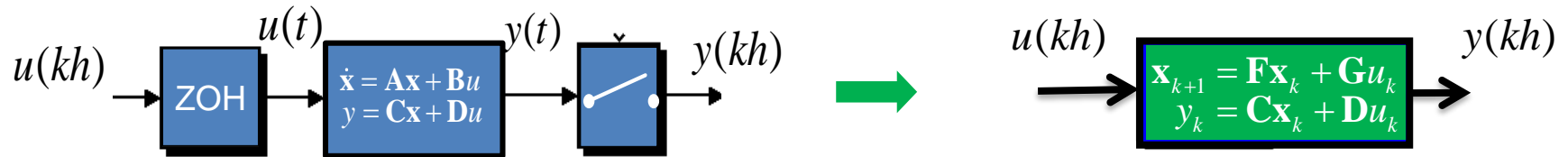
- All OK to $\omega_N/2 = \omega_s/4$





Discretization of the state model: Derivation

Discrete state model + 0. order shaping part



- We come out of the continuous model

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}u \\ y &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{D}u\end{aligned}$$

- If the system in time t_0 has a state $x(t_0)$ then for $t \geq t_0$ the state is:

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}x(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}u(\tau)d\tau$$

- We need to know the input over the interval $[t_0, t)$



Discretization of the state model: Derivation

- We are interested in relation between state in time t_{k+1} and state in time t_k considering ZOH i.e. constant input
- $u_k = u(\tau), \tau \in [t_k, t_{k+1})$ During the sampling interval
- consider $h = t_{k+1} - t_k$ and we get

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}(t_{k+1}) &= e^{\mathbf{A}(t_{k+1}-t_k)}\mathbf{x}(t_k) + \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} e^{\mathbf{A}(t_{k+1}-\tau)}\mathbf{B}u(\tau)d\tau \\ &= e^{\mathbf{A}h}\mathbf{x}(t_k) + \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} e^{\mathbf{A}(t_{k+1}-\tau)}d\tau\mathbf{B}u(t_k) \quad v = t_{k+1} - \tau \\ &= e^{\mathbf{A}h}\mathbf{x}(t_k) + \left(\int_0^h e^{\mathbf{A}v}dv\right)\mathbf{B}u(t_k)\end{aligned}$$

- Sampling does not change the output equation so we get

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}(t_{k+1}) &= \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}(t_k) + \mathbf{G}u(t_k) \\ y(t_k) &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t_k) + Du(t_k)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F} &= e^{\mathbf{A}h} \\ \mathbf{G} &= \left(\int_0^h e^{\mathbf{A}v}dv\right)\mathbf{B}\end{aligned}$$



Matrix exponential calculation

There are many methods for matrix exp. calculation

$$\mathbf{F} = e^{\mathbf{A}h}, \quad \mathbf{G} = \left(\int_0^h e^{\mathbf{A}v} dv \right) \mathbf{B}$$

$$e^X = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{X^k}{k!}$$

- Decomposition in the Taylor series

$$\mathbf{V} = \int_0^h e^{\mathbf{A}v} dv = \mathbf{I}h + \frac{\mathbf{A}h^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2h^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{\mathbf{A}^i h^{i+1}}{(i+1)!} + \dots$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}, \quad \mathbf{G} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{B}$$

- Jordan form (eigenvalues)

$$A = V \operatorname{diag} \{ \lambda_i \} V^{-1} \quad \longrightarrow \quad e^{Ah} = V \operatorname{diag} \{ e^{h\lambda_i} \} V^{-1}$$

>> expmdemo2

- Caylay-Hamilton theorem

>> expmdemo3

- Matlab function `expm` – Pade approximation

>> expmdemo1



- Continues 1st order system
- With sampling period h is

$$\dot{x} = \alpha x + \beta u$$

$$\mathbf{F} = e^{\mathbf{A}h} = e^{\alpha h}$$

$$\mathbf{G} = \left(\int_0^h e^{\alpha v} dv \right) \beta = \frac{\beta}{\alpha} (e^{\alpha h} - 1)$$

- So the discrete system with ZOH is

$$x(k+1) = e^{\alpha h} x(k) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} (e^{\alpha h} - 1) u(k)$$



- For double integrator

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

- With sampling period h is

$$y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(t)$$

$$\mathbf{F} = e^{\mathbf{A}h} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}h + \mathbf{A}^2 h^2/2 + \dots = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & h \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 0 + \dots = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & h \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{G} = \int_0^h e^{\mathbf{A}v} \mathbf{B} dv = \int_0^h \begin{bmatrix} v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} dv = \begin{bmatrix} h^2/2 \\ h \end{bmatrix}$$

- So the discrete system with ZOH is

$$\mathbf{x}(k+1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & h \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(k) + \begin{bmatrix} h^2/2 \\ h \end{bmatrix} u(k)$$

$$y(k) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(k)$$



Immediate calculation problem

- In previous examples: numerator degree in z = denominator degree in z
- Therefore differential controller equation $u(k) + \text{parts with } k-1, \dots = ce(k) + \text{parts with } k-1, k-2, \dots$
- Such a digital controller must compute immediately ie the delay resulting from the non-zero calculation time is neglected.
- This is practically acceptable only if the calculation time is < 1 . Controller has at least one step delay
- numerator degree in $z < \text{denominator degree in } z$
- We can get it by MPZ incompleteness
- Or we have to „add“ delay to system
- This is not a time delay (only way of indexing)

