

# Modeling in The Time Domain

## State-space Method

Frequency domain approach (classical approach):

based on converting a system's differential equation to a transfer function.

*Advantage:* rapidly providing stability and transient response information. Thus we can immediately see the effects of varying system parameters.

*Disadvantage:* limited application. It can be applied only to linear, time-invariant systems or systems that can be approximated as such.

State-space approach (time domain / modern approach):

- Can be used:
- a) To represent non-linear systems that have backlash, saturation, dead zone.
  - b) It can handle systems with nonzero initial conditions.
  - c) Multiple-inputs, multiple-outputs systems can easily be represented.
  - d) Many commercial software packages are available.

*Many calculation is needed before actual realization.*

# RL Network: State-Space Representation

1. Select a state variable: say  $i(t)$ .

2. Write differential equation (of  $i(t)$ ):

$$L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri = v(t)$$

3. Take Laplace transform:

$$L[sI(s) - i(0)] + RI(s) = V(s)$$

$$I(s) = \frac{1}{R} \left( \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s + \frac{R}{L}} \right) + \frac{i(0)}{s + \frac{R}{L}}$$

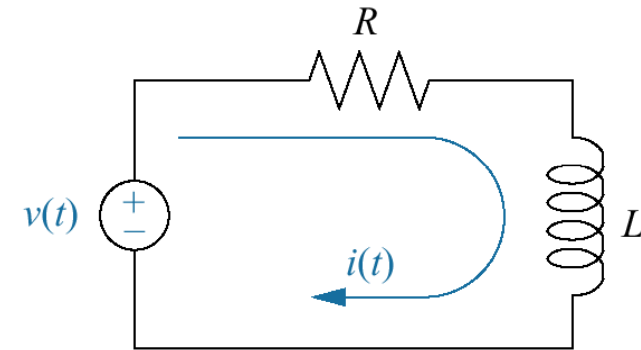
If  $v(t) = u(t)$ , then  $V(s) = 1/s$ .

Inverse Laplace transform:

$$i(t) = \frac{1}{R} (1 - e^{-(R/L)t}) + i(0)e^{-(R/L)t}$$

4. Output equations:

$$\begin{aligned} v_R(t) &= Ri(t) \\ v_L(t) &= v(t) - Ri(t) \\ \frac{di}{dt} &= \frac{1}{L} [v(t) - Ri(t)] \end{aligned}$$



If we know initial condition of  $i$ ,  $i(0)$ , and input voltage,  $v(t)$ , then we can find the value of any network variables at time  $t \geq t_0$ .

# Self Study

State-space representation of RLC network.

## Some Terminology

*Linear combination:* (of  $n$  variables): 
$$S = K_n x_n + K_{n-1} x_{n-1} + \dots + K_1 x_1$$

*Linear independence:*  $S$  is zero if every  $K$  is zero and no  $x$  is zero: variables  $x$  are linearly independent.

*System variable:* Any variable that responds to an input or initial conditions in a system.

*State variable:* The smallest set of linearly independent system variables that completely determines (knowing the value at  $t_0$ ) the value of system variables for  $t \geq t_0$

*State vector:* A vector whose elements are state variables.

*State space:* The  $n$ -dimensional space whose axes are the state variables.

## Some Terminology-continued

*State equations:* A set of  $n$  simultaneous, first-order differential equations with  $n$  variables (state variables).

*Output equations:* The equation that expresses the output variables of a system as linear combinations of the state variables and the inputs.

### State-space Representation:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{State equation} \longrightarrow \dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{Ax} + \mathbf{Bu} \\ \text{Output equations} \longrightarrow \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Cx} + \mathbf{Du} \end{array} \quad \text{For } t \geq t_0 \text{ and initial conditions, } \mathbf{x}(t_0).$$

$\mathbf{x}$  = state vector

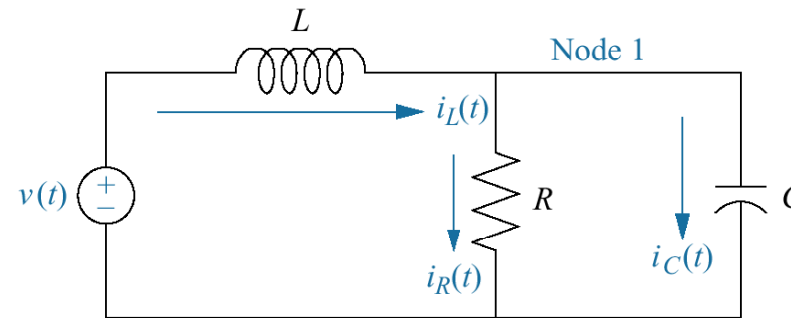
$\dot{\mathbf{x}}$  = derivative of the state vector w.r.t time

$\mathbf{y}$  = output vector

$\mathbf{u}$  = input or control vector

# Example-1: State-space Representation

**Problem:** Find a state-space representation of the following electrical network if the output is the current through the resistor.



**Solution:**

Step 1: Label all the branch currents in the network.

Step 2: Select the state variables (energy-storage elements:  $L$  and  $C$ ) and write derivative equations.

$$C \frac{dv_C}{dt} = i_C, \quad L \frac{di_L}{dt} = v_L$$

Step 3: Express non-state variables (right-hand side:  $i_C$  and  $v_L$ ) as a linear combinations of the state variables (differentiated variables:  $v_C$  and  $i_L$ ) and the input,  $v(t)$ .

$$i_C = -i_R + i_L = -\frac{1}{R}v_C + i_L$$

$$v_L = -v_C + v(t)$$

# Example-1: State-space Representation<sub>-contd.</sub>

Step 4: Obtain state equations: (by substituting the values and rearranging)

$$\begin{aligned} C \frac{dv_C}{dt} &= -\frac{1}{R}v_C + i_L, & L \frac{di_L}{dt} &= -v_C + v(t) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dv_C}{dt} &= -\frac{1}{RC}v_C + \frac{1}{C}i_L \\ \frac{di_L}{dt} &= -\frac{1}{L}v_C && + \frac{1}{L}v(t) \end{aligned}$$

Step 5: Find the output equation:

$$i_R = \frac{1}{R}v_C$$

Final result: Convert into vector-matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{v}_C \\ \dot{i}_L \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{RC} & \frac{1}{C} \\ -\frac{1}{L} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_C \\ i_L \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{L} \end{bmatrix} v(t)$$

$$i_R = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{R} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_C \\ i_L \end{bmatrix}$$

# Example-2: State-space Representation

(with a dependent source)

Step 1: Label all the branch currents in the network.

Step 2: Select the state variables (energy-storage elements:  $L$  and  $C$ ) and write derivative equations.

$$C \frac{dv_C}{dt} = i_C, \quad L \frac{di_L}{dt} = v_L \quad x_1 = i_L; \quad x_2 = v_C;$$

Step 3: State equations

$$v_L = v_C + v_{R2} = v_C + i_{R2}R_2$$

At node 2,  $i_{R2} = i_C + 4v_L$ , so we get,

$$v_L = v_C + (i_C + 4v_L)R_2$$

$$\Rightarrow v_L = \frac{1}{1-4R_2}(v_C + i_C R_2)$$

$$i_C = i(t) - i_{R1} - i_L$$

$$= i(t) - \frac{v_{R1}}{R_1} - i_L$$

$$= i(t) - \frac{v_L}{R_1} - i_L$$

Now solve for  $v_L$  and  $i_C$ ; and rearrange the equations for  $i_L$  and  $v_C$ .

Step 4: Output equations  $v_{R2} = -v_C + v_L$ ;  $i_{R2} = i_C + 4v_L$ ;

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# Example-3: State-space Representation

(Translational Mechanical System)

For  $M_1$ :

$$M_1 s^2 X_1(s) + DsX_1(s) + KX_1(s) - KX_2(s) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow M_1 \frac{d^2 x_1}{dt^2} + D \frac{dx_1}{dt} + Kx_1 - Kx_2 = 0$$

For  $M_2$ :

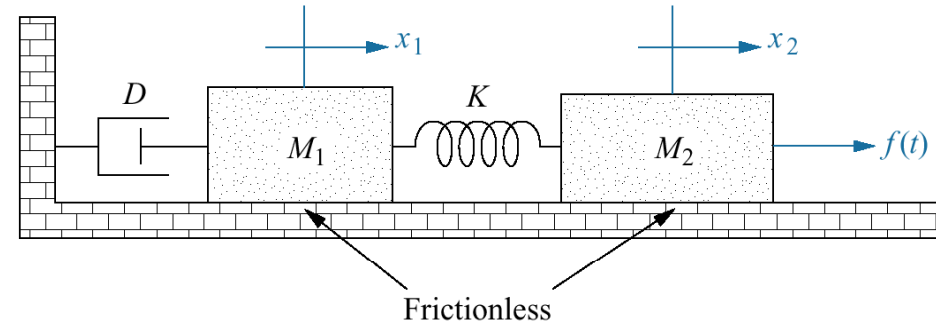
$$-KX_1(s) + KX_2(s) + M_2 s^2 X_2(s) = F(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow -Kx_1 + Kx_2 + M_2 \frac{d^2 x_2}{dt^2} = f(t)$$

Let,  $\frac{d^2 x_i}{dt^2} = \frac{dv_i}{dt}$

(acceleration = derivative of velocity)

Select  $x_1, x_2, v_1, v_2$  as state variables.



State equations:

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = \quad \quad \quad + v_1$$

$$\frac{dv_1}{dt} = -\frac{K}{M_1} x_1 - \frac{D}{M_1} v_1 + \frac{K}{M_1} x_2$$

$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = \quad \quad \quad + v_2$$

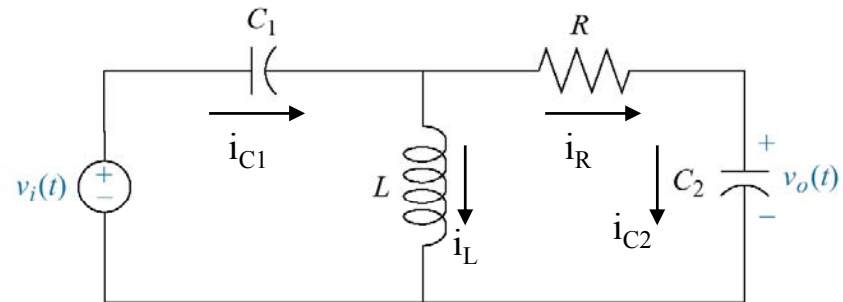
$$\frac{dv_2}{dt} = +\frac{K}{M_2} x_1 \quad \quad -\frac{K}{M_2} x_2 \quad \quad + \frac{1}{M_2} f(t)$$

Write in matrix form.



## Example-4: State-space Representation

**Problem:** Find the state-space representation of the electrical network shown in the figure. The output is  $v_o(t)$ .



**Solution:** The derivative relations (one for each energy-storage element)

$$C_1 \frac{dv_{C1}}{dt} = i_{C1}$$

$$L \frac{di_L}{dt} = v_L$$

$$C_2 \frac{dv_{C2}}{dt} = i_{C2}$$

Using Kirchoff's current and voltage laws:

$$i_{C1} = i_L + i_R = i_L + \frac{1}{R}(v_L - v_{C2})$$

$$v_L = -v_{C1} + v_i$$

$$i_{C2} = i_R = \frac{1}{R}(v_L - v_{C2})$$

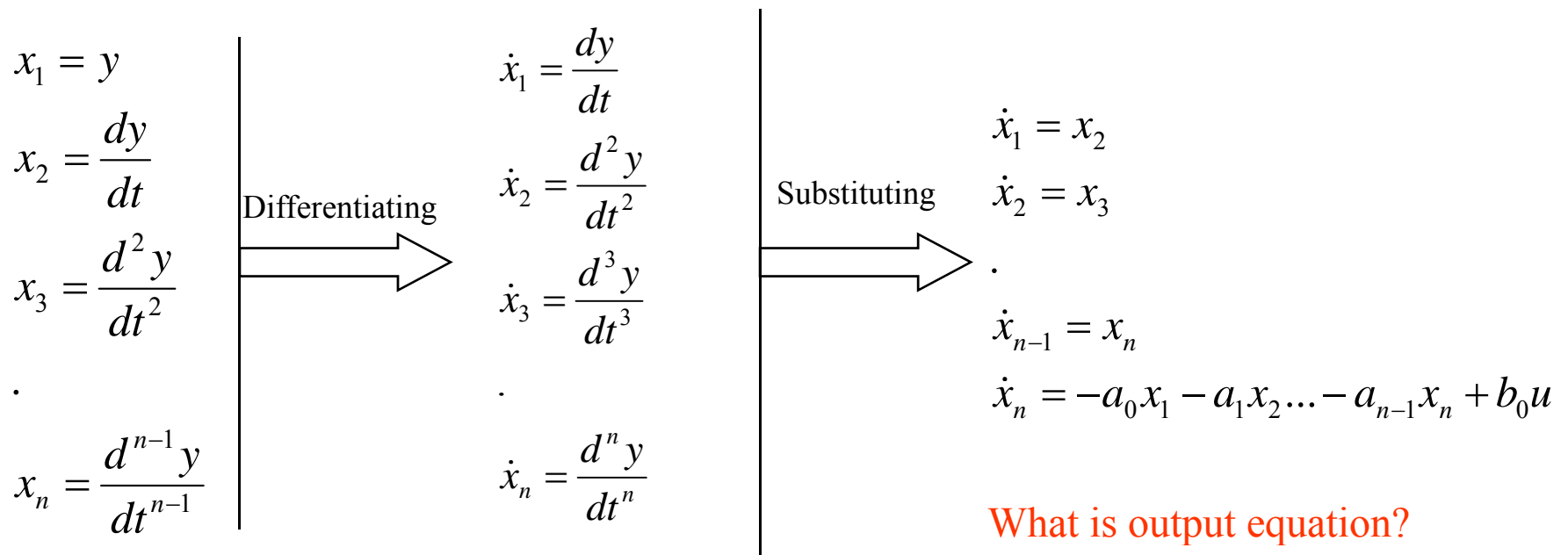
**Self study:** substitute and rearrange the values for state variables and obtain it in matrix form

# Converting a Transfer Function to State Space

**Phase variables:** A set of state variables where each state variable is defined to be the derivative of the previous state variable.

Consider a differential equation, 
$$\frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}} + \dots + a_1 \frac{dy}{dt} + a_0 y = b_0 u$$

Choose the output,  $y(t)$ , and its derivatives as the state variables,  $x_i$ .



# Converting a Transfer Function to State Space<sub>1</sub>

Example: with constant term in numerator

**Problem:** Find the state-space representation in phase-variable form for the transfer function:

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{24}{(s^3 + 9s^2 + 26s + 24)}$$

**Solution:**

Step 1: Find the associated differential equation.

$$(s^3 + 9s^2 + 26s + 24)C(s) = 24R(s)$$
$$\Rightarrow \ddot{c} + 9\dot{c} + 26c + 24c = 24r \quad (\text{AZIC})$$

AZIC: Assuming Zero Initial Conditions

Step 2: Select the state variables.

$x_1 = c$		Differentiating →	$\dot{x}_1 =$	$x_2$
$x_2 = \dot{c}$			$\dot{x}_2 =$	$x_3$
$x_3 = \ddot{c}$			$\dot{x}_3 = -24x_1 - 26x_2 - 9x_3 + 24r$	
			$y = c = x_1$	

# Converting a Transfer Function to State Space\_1

Example: with constant term in numerator

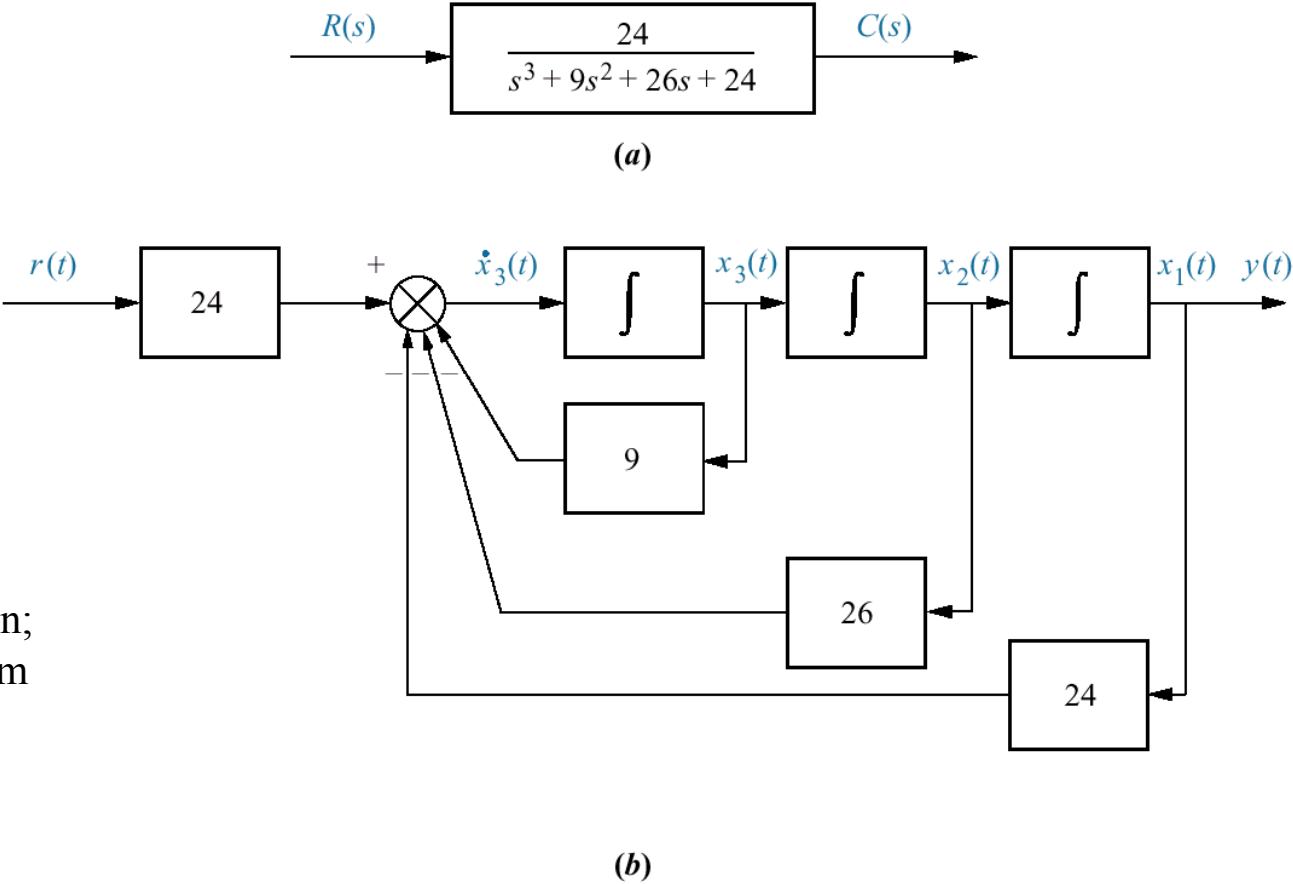


Figure: a. Transfer function;  
b. equivalent block diagram  
showing phase variables  
(from previous slide)

# Converting a Transfer Function to State Space<sub>2</sub>

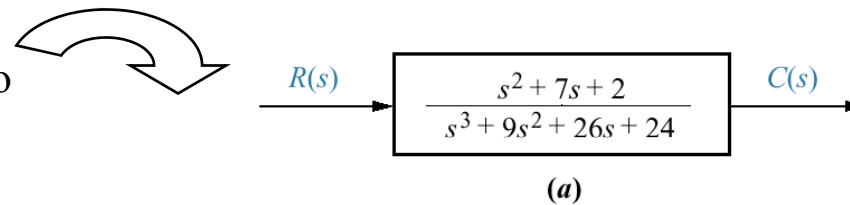
Example: with polynomial in numerator

**Problem:** Find the state-space representation in phase-variable form for the transfer function:

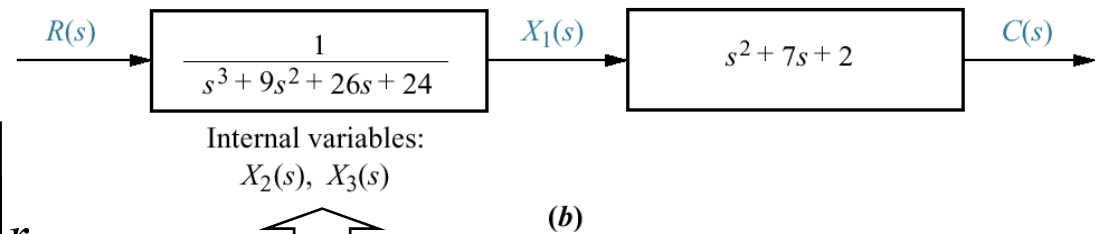
$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{s^2 + 7s + 2}{s^3 + 9s^2 + 26s + 24}$$

**Solution:**

Step 1: Separate the system into two cascaded blocks as shown in figure.



Step 2: State equation.



$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -24 & -26 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} r$$

1 / 24 of the previous example.

# Converting a Transfer Function to State Space\_2'

Step 3: Introduce the effect of the block with the numerator.

$$C(s) = (s^2 + 7s + 2)X_1(s)$$

Taking inverse Laplace transform with AZIC,

$$c = \ddot{x}_1 + 7\dot{x}_1 + 2x_1$$

But,

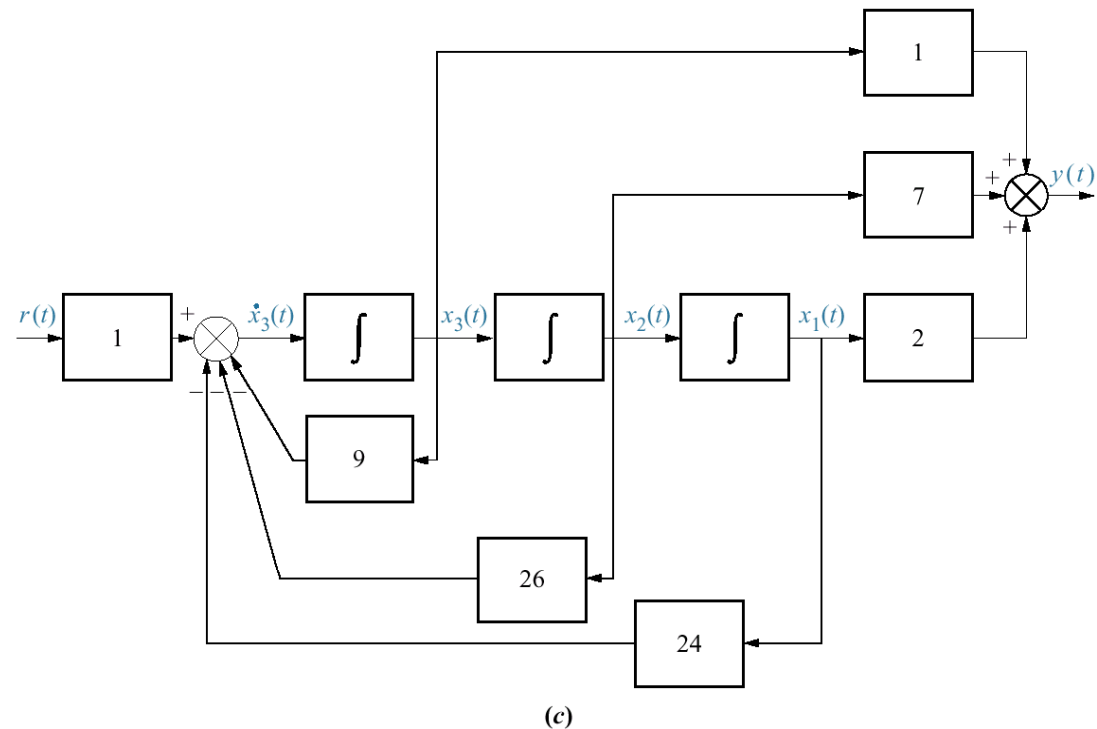
$$x_1 = x_1, \quad \dot{x}_1 = x_2, \quad \ddot{x}_1 = x_3$$

Hence,

$$y = c(t) = x_3 + 7x_2 + 2x_1$$

Output equation matrix form:

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$



# State-space Representation to Transfer Function

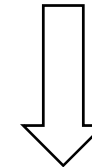
**Problem:** Given the system defined by the following state-space representation, find the transfer function,  $T(s) = Y(s) / U(s)$ , where  $U(s)$  is the input and  $Y(s)$  is the output.

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u$$
$$y = [1 \quad 0 \quad 0] \mathbf{x}$$

**Solution:** First find  $(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$ :

$$(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & s & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & s+3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}u$$
$$y = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{D}u$$



$$T(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \mathbf{C}(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D}$$

# State-space Representation to Transfer Function

(Continued)

Now form  $(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}$ :

$$(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})}{\det(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} (s^2 + 3s + 2) & s + 3 & 1 \\ -1 & s(s + 3) & s \\ -s & -(2s + 1) & s^2 \end{bmatrix}}{s^3 + 3s^2 + 2s + 1}$$

$$T(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{0} = \frac{10(s^2 + 3s + 2)}{s^3 + 3s^2 + 2s + 1}$$



# Homework

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Problems:

1, 2, 3, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15