

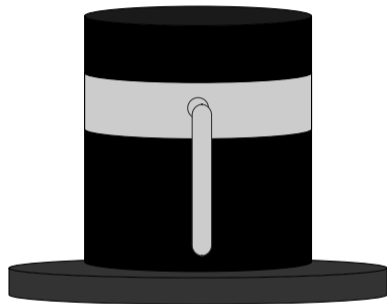
Ensuring Cyber-Physical System Stability in the Presence of Deadline Misses

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Modelling the Physical Phenomena¹

Physical Quantities

- ▶ Pendulum arm length l : 0.075 [m]
- ▶ Base radius r : 0.043 [m]
- ▶ Base moment of inertia J : 0.000125 [kg m²]
- ▶ Pendulum mass m : 0.00544 [kg]
- ▶ Gravity g : 9.81 [m/s²]

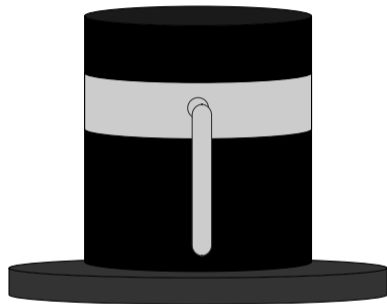


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State: $x = [\theta, \dot{\theta}, \dot{\phi}]^T$, Input: u , Output: $y = x$

- ▶ θ is the pendulum angle (0 at the top position)
- ▶ $\dot{\theta}$ is the angular velocity
- ▶ $\dot{\phi}$ is the base velocity
- ▶ u is the torque applied at the base

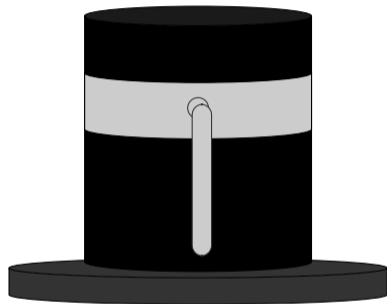


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Definitions

- ▶ $\alpha := J + m r^2 = 0.00013505856 \text{ [kg m}^2\text{]}$
- ▶ $\beta := 1/3 m l^2 = 0.0000102 \text{ [kg m}^2\text{]}$
- ▶ $\gamma := 1/2 m r l = 0.000008772 \text{ [kg m}^2\text{]}$
- ▶ $\delta := 1/2 m g l = 0.00200124 \text{ [kg m}^2\text{/s}^2\text{]}$

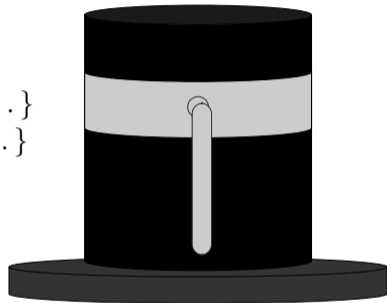


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$$\begin{cases} d\theta/dt &= \dot{\theta} \\ d\dot{\theta}/dt &= \{1/\alpha\beta - \gamma^2 + (\beta^2 + \gamma^2) \sin^2 \theta\} \{\beta (\alpha + \beta \sin^2 \theta) \dots\} \\ d\dot{\phi}/dt &= \{1/\alpha\beta - \gamma^2 + (\beta^2 + \gamma^2) \sin^2 \theta\} \{\beta \gamma (\sin^2 \theta - 1) \dots\} \end{cases}$$

Non-linear model can be **linearised** around the equilibrium point in the top position, **discretised** – we use 0.005 [s] as sampling period – and used for **control design**



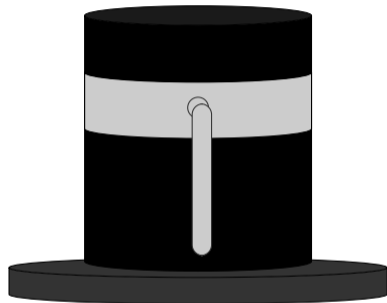
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$$x_{k+1} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1.0026 & 0.0050 & 0 \\ 1.0399 & 1.0026 & 0 \\ -0.0675 & -0.0002 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{A_d} x_k + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -0.0843 \\ -33.7508 \\ 39.2131 \end{bmatrix}}_{B_d} u_k$$

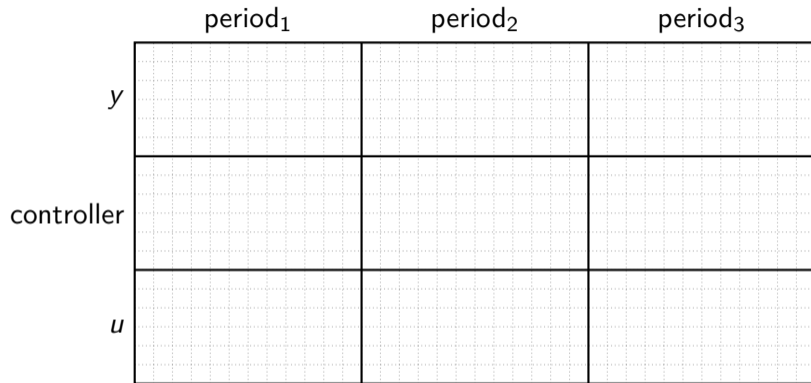
$$\lambda(A_d) = [1, 1.075, 0.93] \implies \text{unstable}^*$$

$$*: \rho(A_d) = \max |\lambda(A_d)| = 1.075 > 1$$



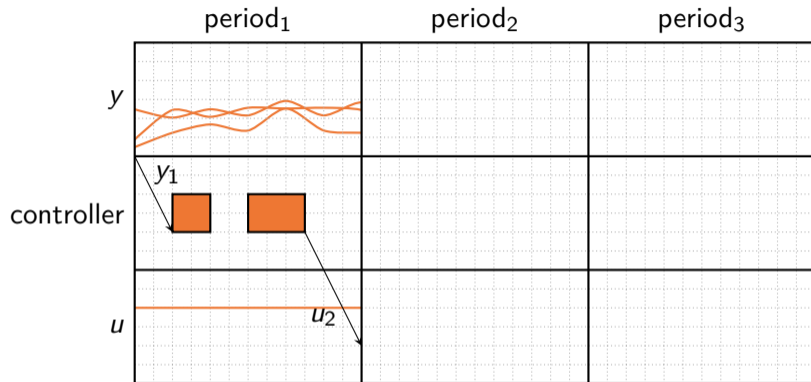
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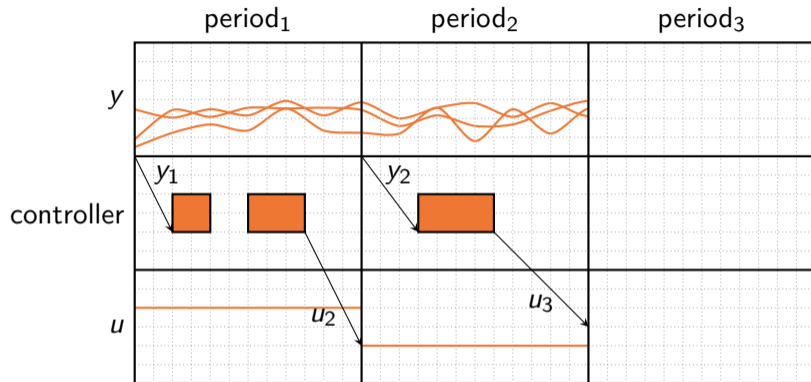
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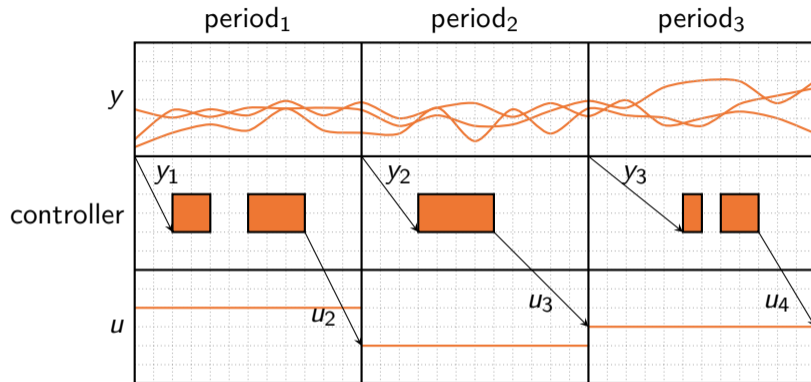
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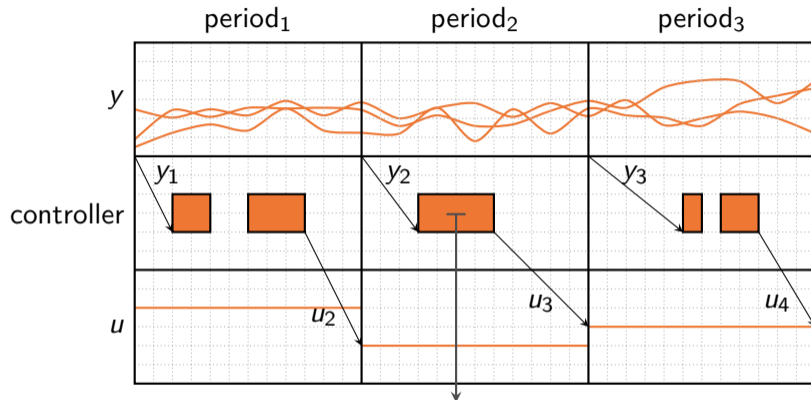
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$$u_{k+1} = K y_k = K x_k = [0.375, 0.025, 0.0125] x_k$$

(One-Step Delay) Output (State) Feedback Controller

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Stability Verification (without deadline misses)

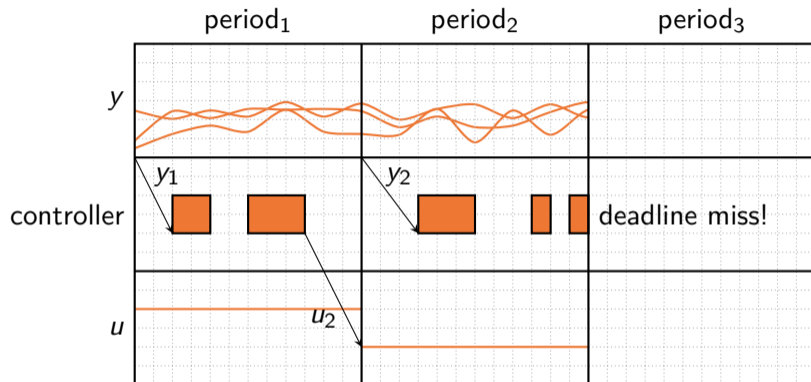
- ▶ Autonomous Closed-Loop System Behaviour: $x_{k+1} = A_d x_k + B_d K x_{k-1}$

$$\tilde{x}_k = \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ x_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{x}_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1} \\ x_k \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A_d & B_d K \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\Phi} \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ x_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} = \Phi \tilde{x}_k$$

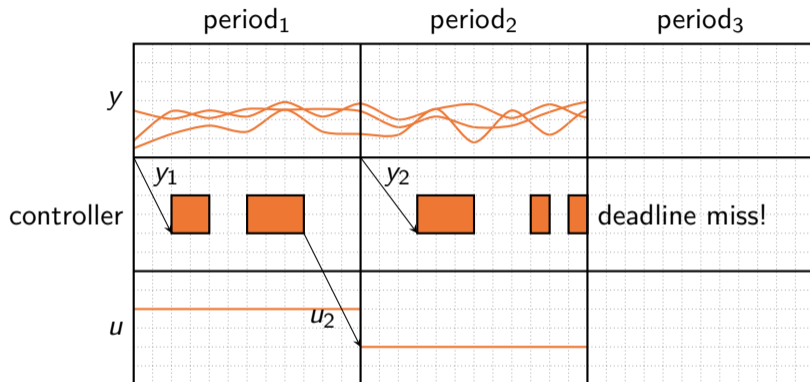
$$\lambda(\Phi) = [0.943, 0.727 \pm 0.181i, 0.609, 0, 0] \implies \text{stable}^*$$

$$*: \rho(\Phi) = \max |\lambda(\Phi)| = 0.943 < 1$$

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2 choices: (i) value of u_3 ? (ii) execution in period_3 ?

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*Control Signal*³

- ▶ **Hold:** $u_{k+1} = u_k$ when a deadline is missed
- ▶ **Zero:** $u_{k+1} = 0$ when a deadline is missed

*Task Execution*⁴

- ▶ **Kill:** clean reset of the actions of the current job
- ▶ **Skip-Next:** continue the current job, don't start the next

³Luca Schenato, To Zero or to Hold Control Inputs With Lossy Links? IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, 2009, 10.1109/TAC.2008.2010999; Steffen Linsenmayer and Frank Allgöwer, Stabilization of networked control systems with weakly hard real-time dropout description, CDC 2017

⁴Anton Cervin, Analysis of overrun strategies in periodic control tasks, IFAC World Congress 2005

Kill&Zero

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...unless we constrain the switches!

Constraint #1: Consecutive deadline misses⁷

- ▶ **Constraint:** We cannot miss more than n consecutive deadlines
- ▶ **Analysis:** Calculating **upper bounds**⁵ of the **joint spectral radius**⁶ of the set

$$\Sigma = \{\Phi_1 \Phi_0^i \mid i \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge 0 \leq i \leq n\}$$

⁵Vincent Blondel and John Tsitsiklis, The boundedness of all products of a pair of matrices is undecidable, *Systems & Control Letters*, 2000; Guillaume Vankeerberghen, Julien Hendrickx, and Raphaël M. Jungers, JSR: a toolbox to compute the joint spectral radius, *HSCC 2014*

⁶Gian-Carlo Rota and Gilbert Strang, A note on the joint spectral radius *Indagationes Mathematicae* 1960; Raphael Junger, *The Joint Spectral Radius: Theory and Applications*, Lecture Notes in Control and Information Sciences, 2009

⁷Martina Maggio, Arne Hamann, Eckart Mayer-John, Dirk Ziegenbein, *Control System Stability under Consecutive Deadline Misses Constraints*, *ECRTS 2020*

Constraint #2: Weakly-Hard Constraints

- ▶ **Constraint:** The number of deadline hits/misses in a window of consecutive execution is constrained by the weakly-hard⁸ task model (sequences of 0s and 1s)
- ▶ **Analysis:** (i) building the **finite state machine**⁹ that recognises the language defined by a weakly-hard constraint, (ii) use the **directed adjacency matrix** of the finite state machine, the **Kronecker lifting** and the joint spectral radius¹⁰

⁸Guillem Bernat, Alan Burns, Albert Liamosí, Weakly hard real-time systems, IEEE Transactions on Computers 2001

⁹Nils Vreman, Richard Pates, and Martina Maggio, WeaklyHard.jl: Scalable Analysis of Weakly-Hard Constraints, RTAS 2022, <https://github.com/NilsVreman/WeaklyHard.jl>

¹⁰Nils Vreman, Paolo Pazzaglia, Victor Magron, Jie Wang, Martina Maggio, Stability of Linear Systems Under Extended Weakly-Hard Constraints, CDC & Control Systems Letters 2022

Constraint #3: Probabilistic¹²

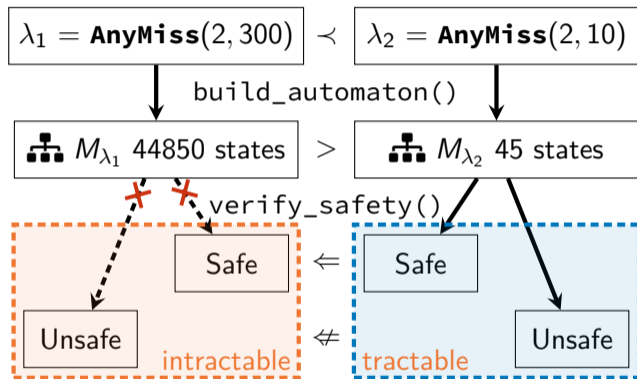
- ▶ **Constraint:** The control task misses deadlines with probability p_c (additionally, sensor messages are not delivered with probability p_s and actuator messages are not delivered with probability p_a)
- ▶ **Analysis:** using **Markov Jump Linear Systems** theory and proving **mean square stability**,¹¹ implying almost sure convergence

¹¹Y. Fang and K.A. Loparo and X. Feng, Almost sure and δ -moment stability of jump linear systems, International Journal of Control 1994

¹²Nils Vreman and Martina Maggio, Stochastic Analysis of Control Systems Subject to Communication and Computation Faults, EMSOFT 2023

Open Problem

- ▶ Desire to verify stability with constraints such as **AnyMiss(2, 300)**
- ▶ The constraint needs to be approximated with a more conservative one (i.e., one that has a higher number of deadline misses)
- ▶ Safety of the conservative constraint implies safety of the non-conservative one



Conclusion

- ▶ Sometimes it is possible to **guarantee stability** even when deadlines are missed **providing that the irregularities follow some prescribed pattern**
- ▶ Thanks to many collaborators: Arne Hamann, Brindha Jeniefer Josephrexon, Victor Magron, Claudio Mandrioli, Eckart Mayer-John, Richard Pates, Paolo Pazzaglia, Nils Vreman, Jie Wang, Dirk Ziegenbein
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