
Servo-Compensator Design

NDSU ECE 463/663

Lecture #16

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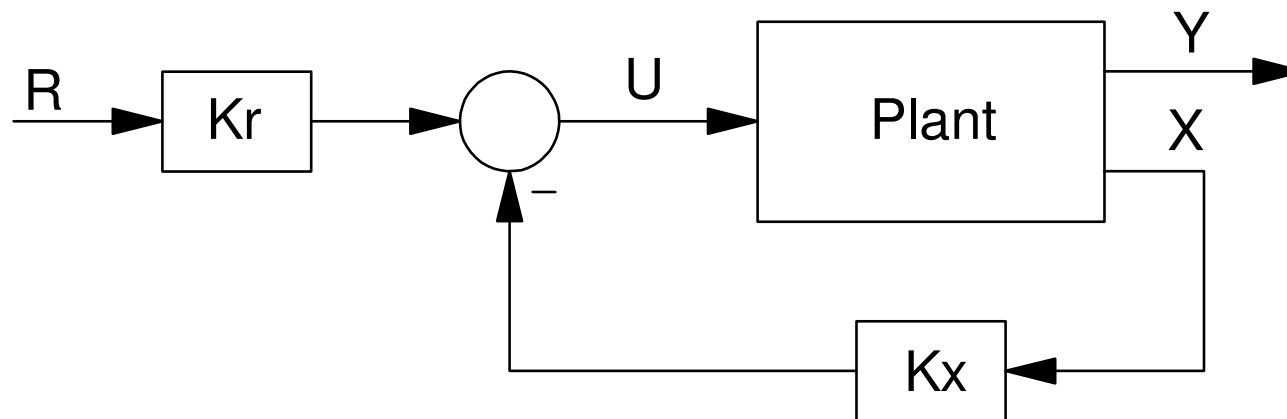
Tracking a Set Point

How do you force a system to track a set point?

- How do you force the DC gain to be 1.0000?

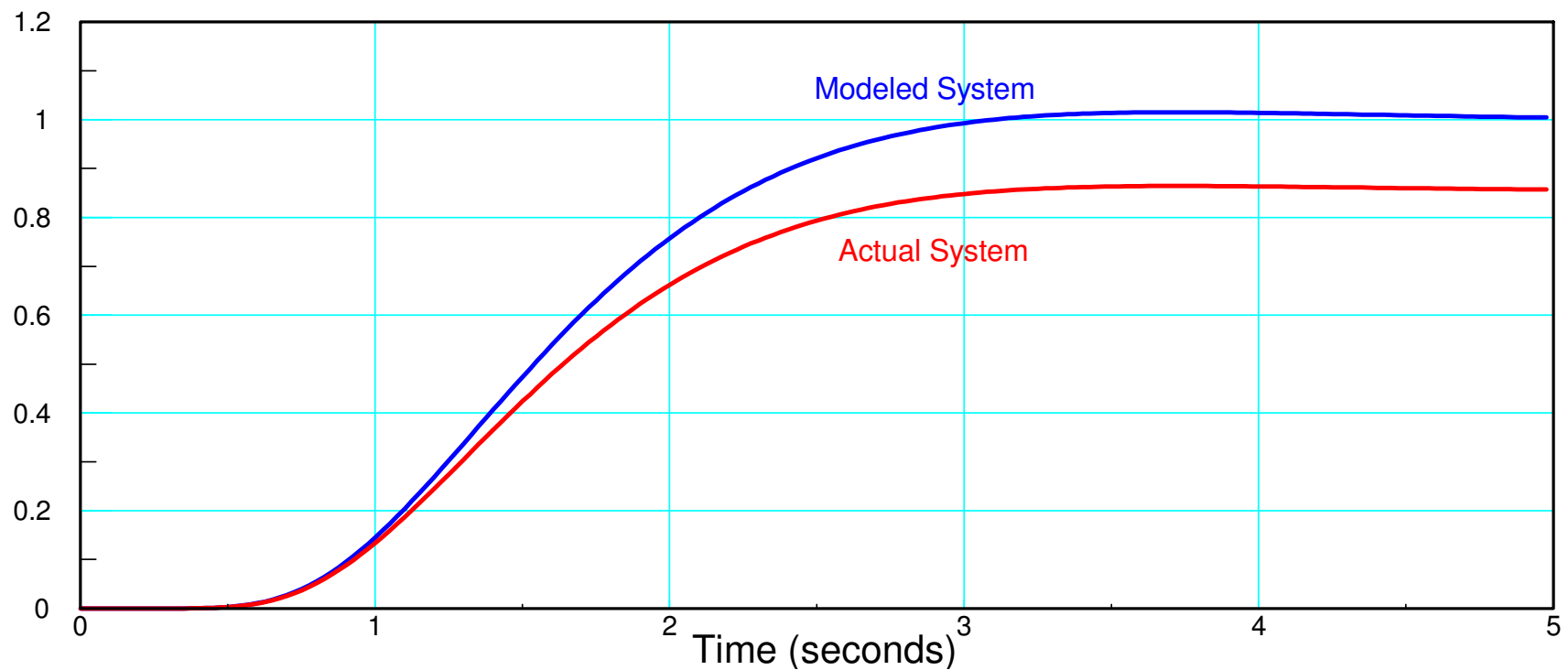
Previous Solution:

- Add a gain, K_r , to make the DC gain equal to 1.0000



What if the plant model is uncertain?

- If the dynamics change, the DC gain will change
- If the model is incorrect the DC gain will be incorrect
- K_r needs to change accordingly.



Servo Compensator

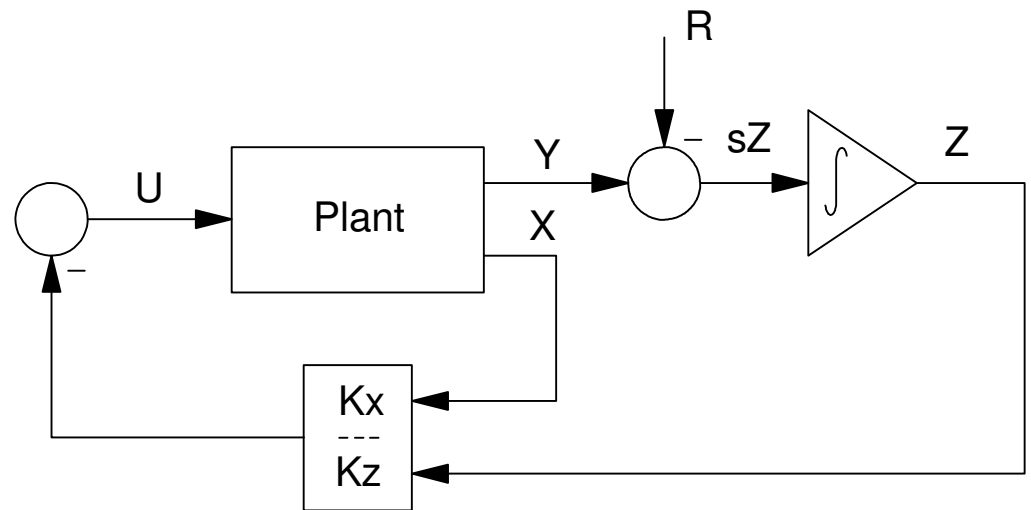
Add an integrator (termed a *servo compensator*)

- $Z = \int (Ref - Y)dt$

At steady state

- $\frac{dZ}{dt} = 0$
- $Y = Ref$

Add feedback gains to stabilize the closed-loop system



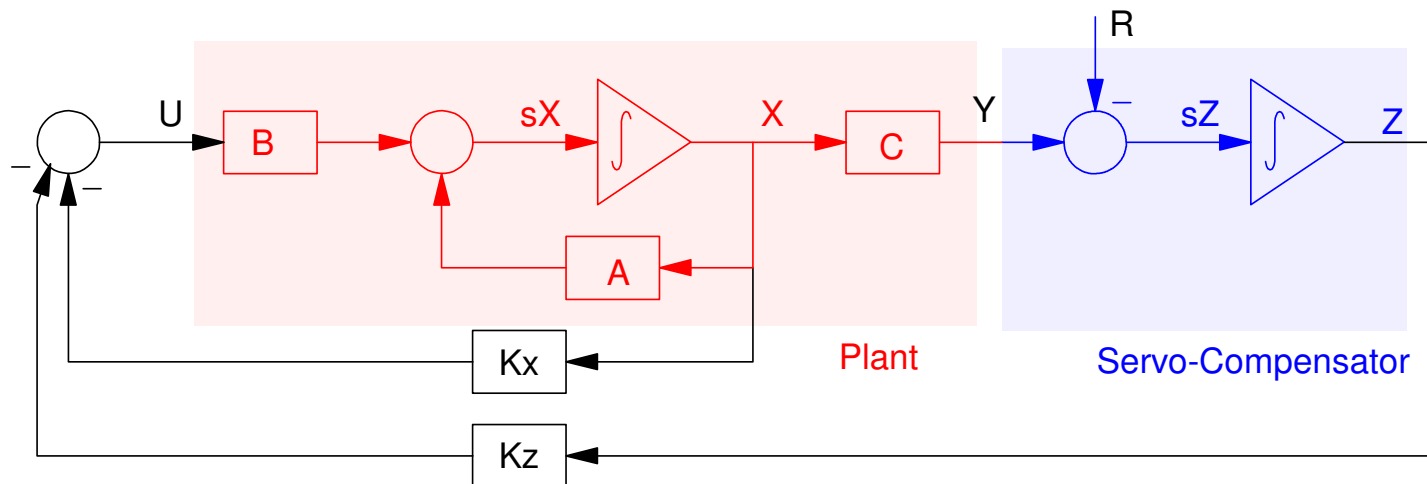
Open-Loop System

$$s \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} U + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} R$$

$$U = - \begin{bmatrix} K_x & K_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix}$$

Closed-Loop System

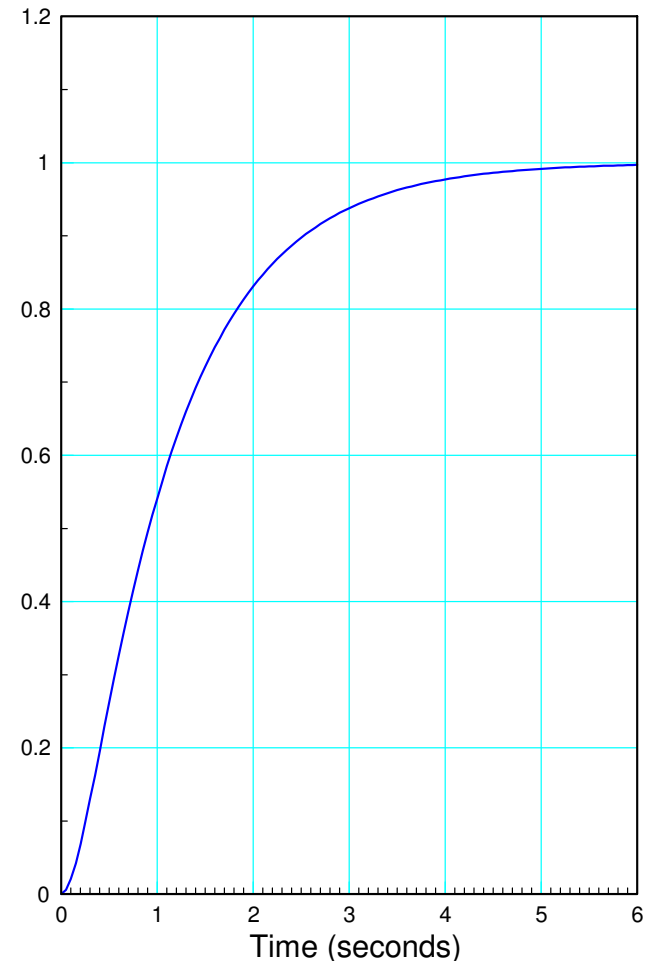
$$s \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A - BK_x & -BK_z \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} R$$



Example: 4th-Order Heat Equation

Design a feedback control law for a 4-stage RC filter so that

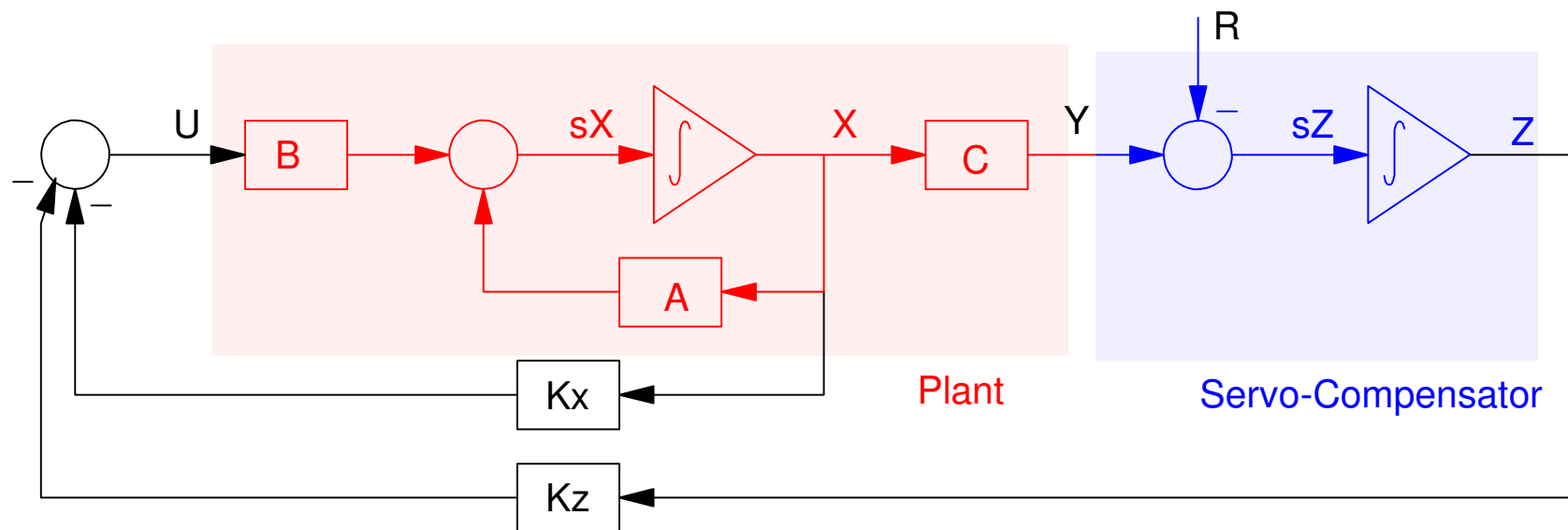
- The 2% settling time is 4 seconds,
- There is no overshoot for a step input, and
- The DC gain from R to Y is one.



Solution: Add a servo compensator:

Open-Loop Plant & Servo:

$$\begin{bmatrix} sX \\ \dots \\ sZ \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & \vdots & 0 \\ \dots & & \dots \\ C & \vdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ \dots \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ \dots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} U \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} -K_x & \vdots & -K_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ \dots \\ Z \end{bmatrix}$$



In Matlab, input the system:

```
A = [-2, 1, 0, 0; 1, -2, 1, 0; 0, 1, -2, 1; 0, 0, 1, -1]
B = [1; 0; 0; 0]
C = [0, 0, 0, 1];
```

Create the augmented system (plant plus servo-compensator)

```
A5 = [A, B*0; C, 0]
```

```
-2    1    0    0    0
 1   -2    1    0    0
 0    1   -2    1    0
 0    0    1   -1    0
 0    0    0    1    0
```

```
B5 = [B; 0]
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1
0
0
0
0
```

Use Bass-Gura to place the poles at $\{-1, -2, -2, -2, -2\}$.

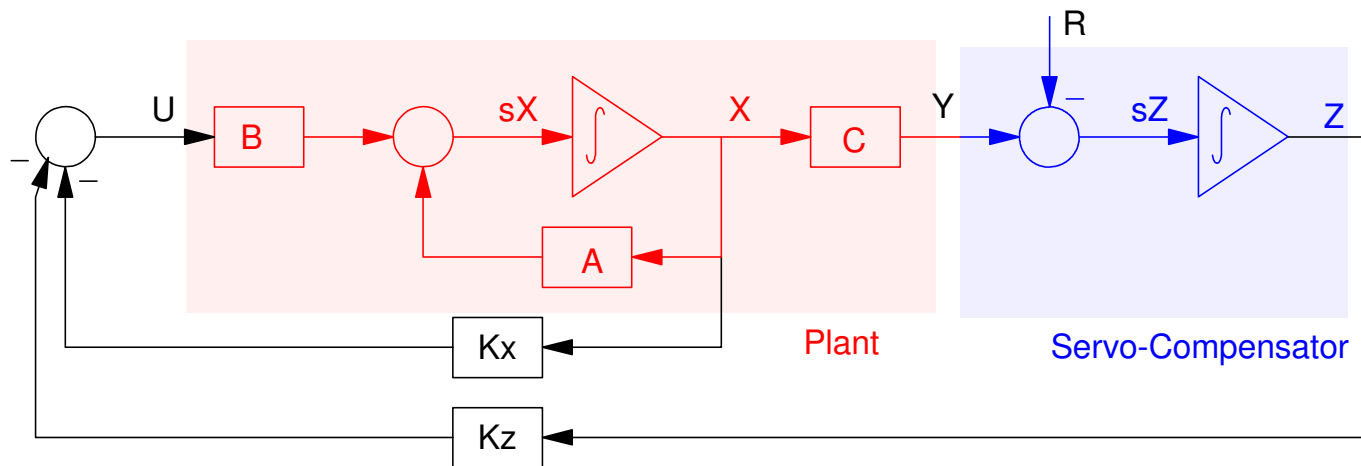
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>> K5 = pp1(A5, B5, [-1,-2,-2,-2,-2])  
  
    2.0000    7.0000   13.0000   25.0000   16.0000  
  
>> eig(A5-B5*K5)  
  
   -2.0005  
   -2.0000 + 0.0005i  
   -2.0000 - 0.0005i  
   -1.9995  
   -1.0000
```

The feedback gains, K_x and K_z , are then

```
>> Kx = K5(1:4)  
  
    2.0000    7.0000   13.0000   25.0000  
  
>> Kz = K5(5)  
  
   16.0000
```

The closed-loop system is

$$s \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A - BK_x & -BK_z \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} R$$



To plot the step response from R to both Y and U, define the output to be

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y \\ U \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C & 0 \\ -K_x & -K_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} R$$

In Matlab:

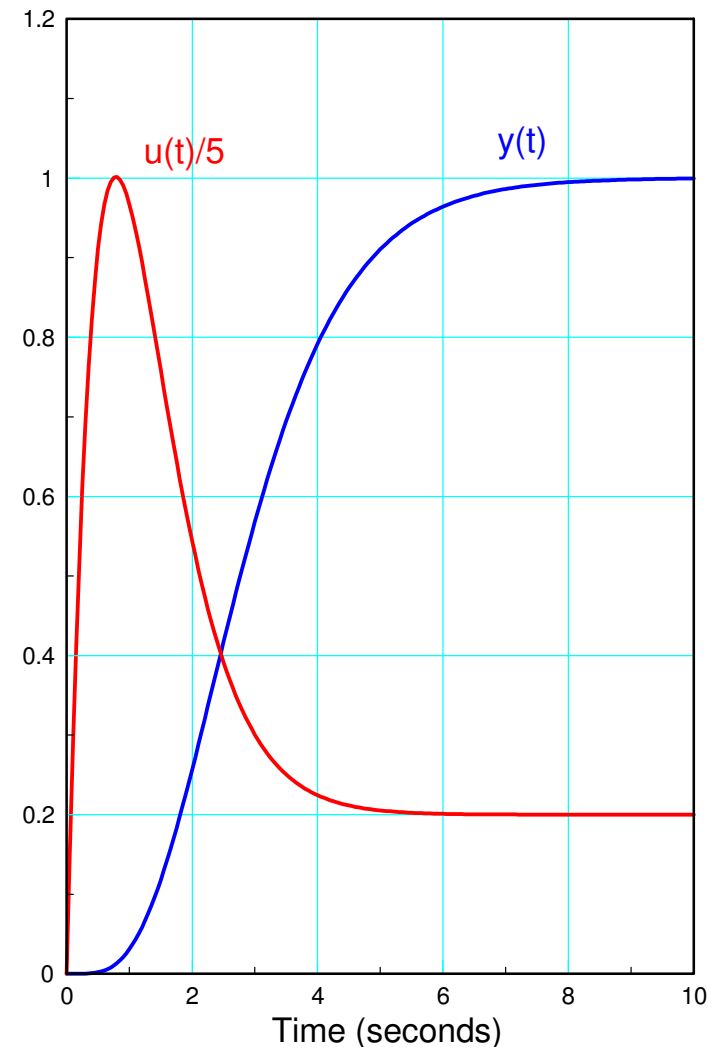
```
>> C5 = [C, 0; -K5]

      0      0      0      1      0
     -2     -7    -13   -250    -16

>> D5 = [0; 0]

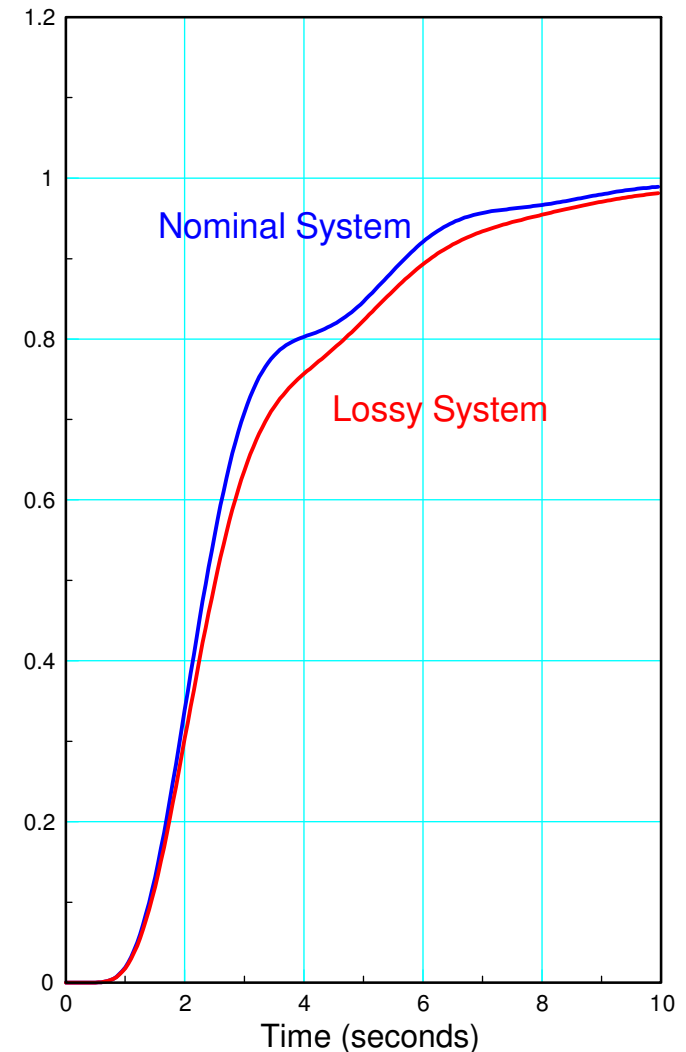
      0
      0

>> Br = [0*B ; -1];
>> G5 = ss(A5 - B5*K5, Br, C5, D5);
>> y = step(G5,t);
>> plot(t,y)
>>
```



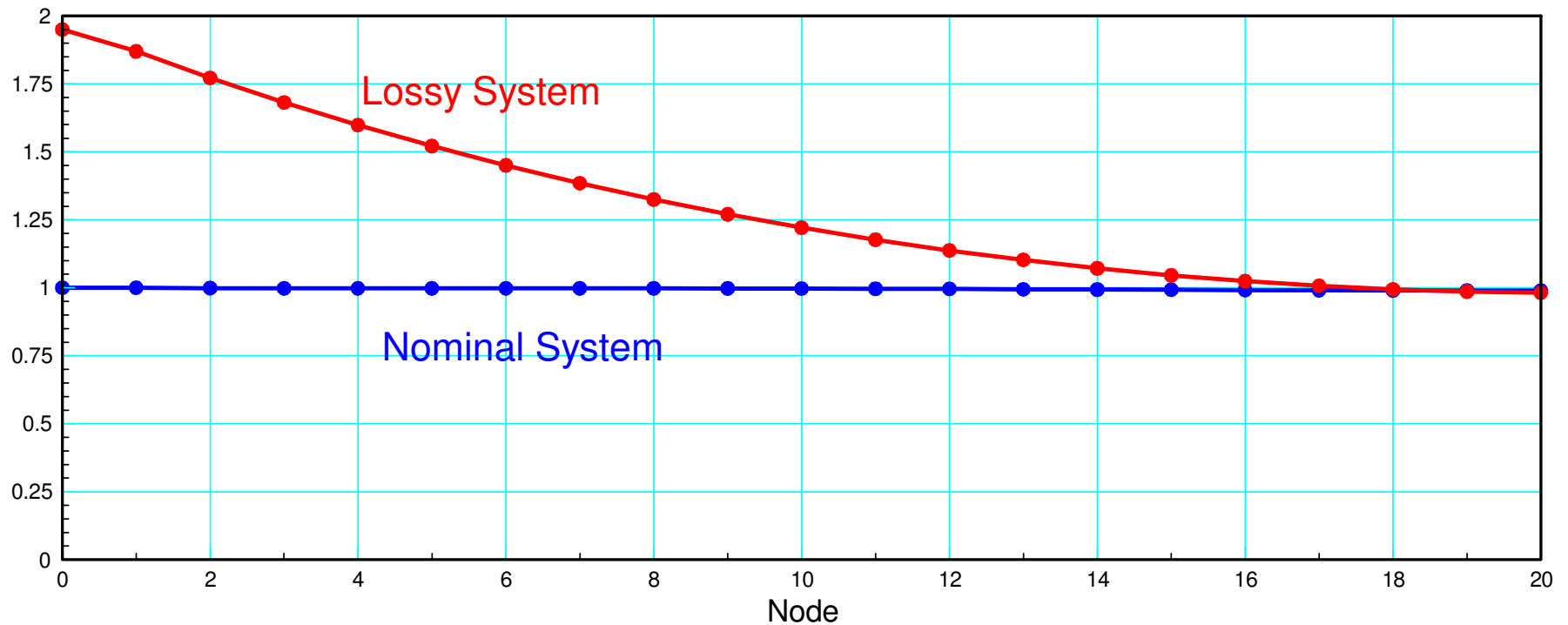
Matlab Simulation (modified Heat20.m)

```
V = zeros(20,1);
Z = 0;
Ref = 1;
Kx = [2 7 13 25];
Kz = 16;
dt = 0.001;
t = 0;
while(t < 10)
    for i2=1:10
        X = [V(5) ; V(10) ; V(15) ; V(20)];
        V0 = -Kx*X - Kz*Z;
        dZ = V(20) - Ref;
        dV(1) = 25*V0 - 50.1*V(1) + 25*V(2);
        for i=2:19
            dV(i) = 25*V(i-1) - 50.1*V(i)
                    + 25*V(i+1);
        end
        dV(20) = 25*V(19) - 25.1*V(20);
        V = V + dV*dt;
        Z = Z + dZ*dt;
        t = t + dt;
    end
    plot([0:20], [V0;V], '.-');
    ylim([0,2]);
    pause(0.01);
end
```



Comments:

- The servo compensator forces the output to track a constant set point
- It does so by adding a constant to the input (integration constant)
- It searches until it finds the constant that forces $Y \rightarrow Ref$



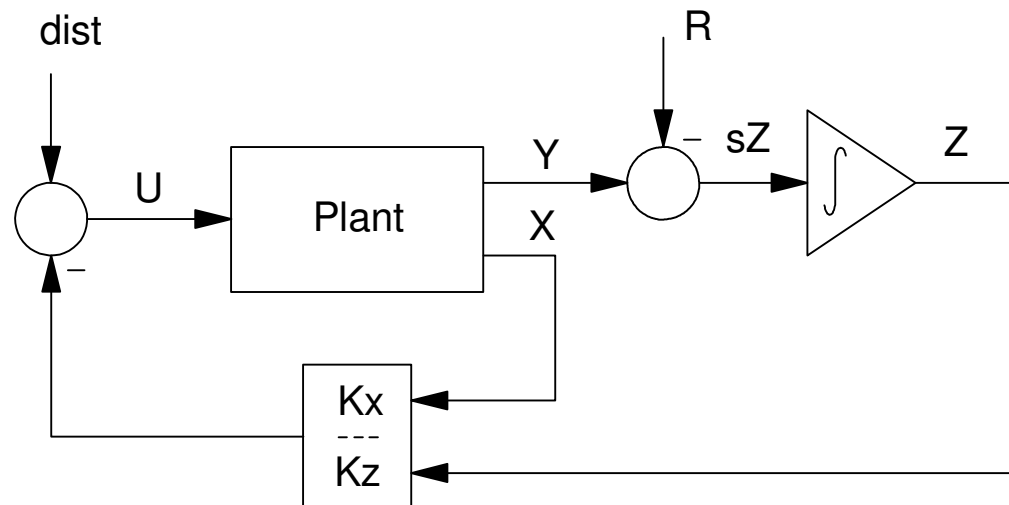
Constant Disturbance:

Problem: Suppose a system has a constant disturbance.

- Design a feedback control law that forces $Y=R$ in spite of this disturbance.

Solution: Add a servo compensator

- At steady state, $sZ = 0$
- Z is an integration constant
 - Cancels the disturbance and
 - Forces $Y = R$

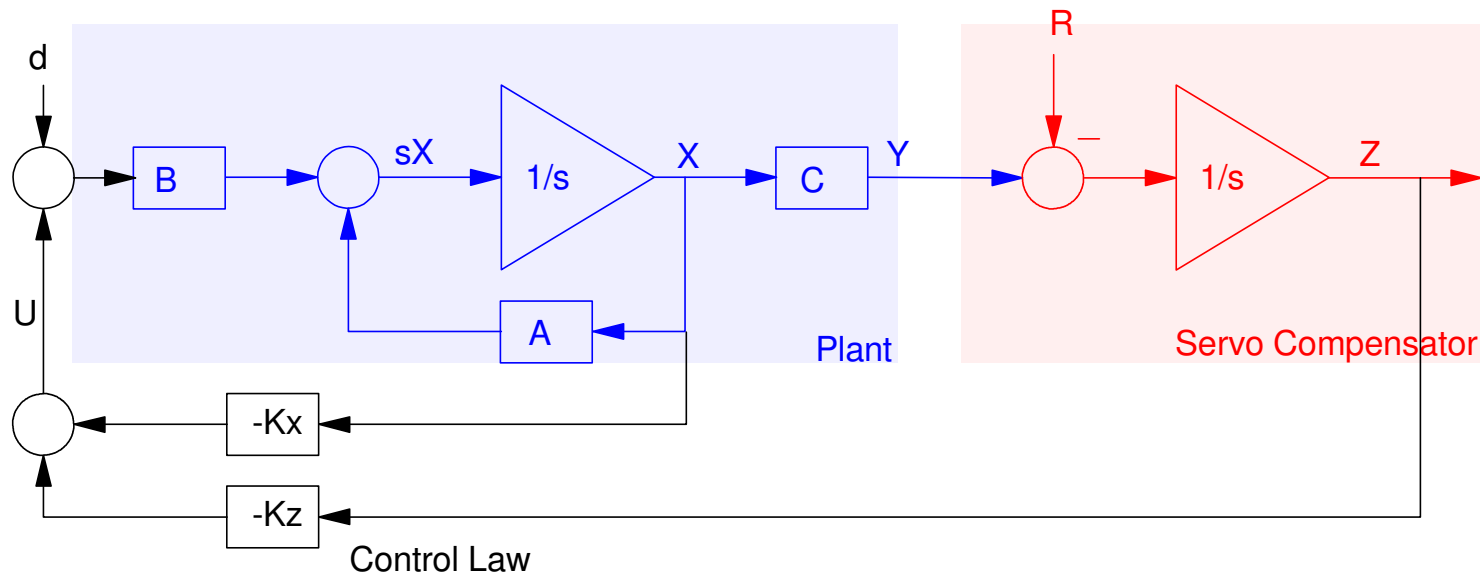


Step Response with Respect to What?

Note: The B matrix determines *what* is being stepped.

The closed-loop plant + setpoint + disturbance dynamics are...

$$s \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A - BK_x & -BK_z \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} R + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} d$$



Step Response with Respect to the Set Point (R)

Use the B matrix with respect to R

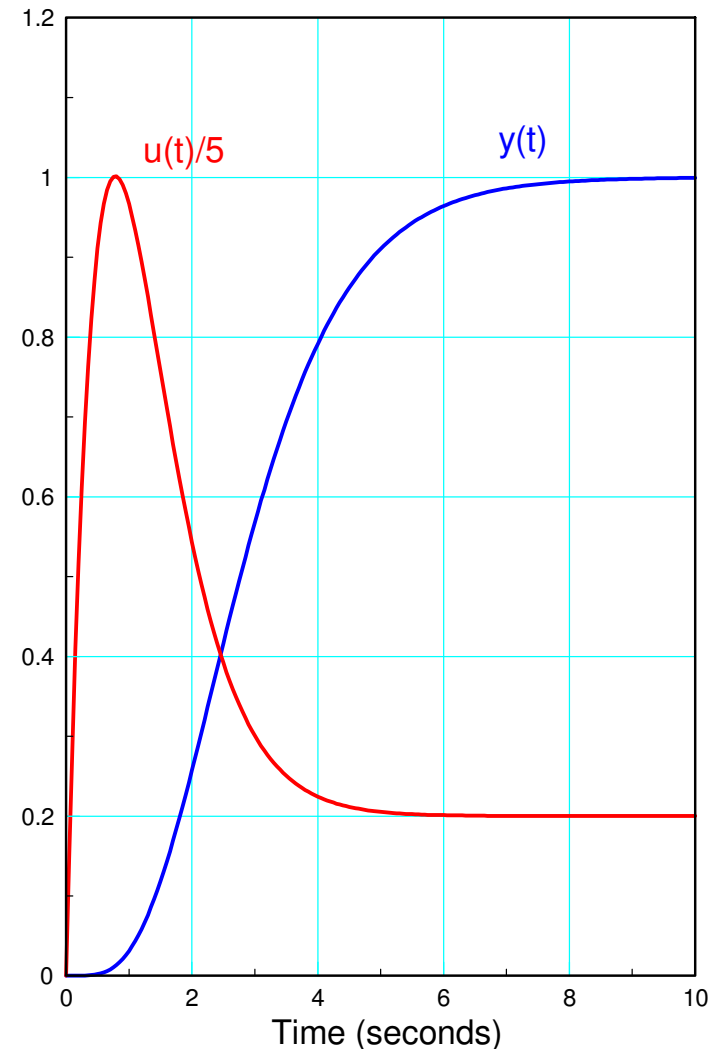
- $B = Br$

```
Br = [0*B;-1];  
G5 = ss(A5 - B5*K5, Br, C5, D5);
```

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y = step(G5,t);  
plot(t,y);
```

The system tracks a constant set point

- The servo compensator figures out what $u(t)$ needs to be to force $y(t) \rightarrow 1$



Step Response with Respect to the Disturbance (d)

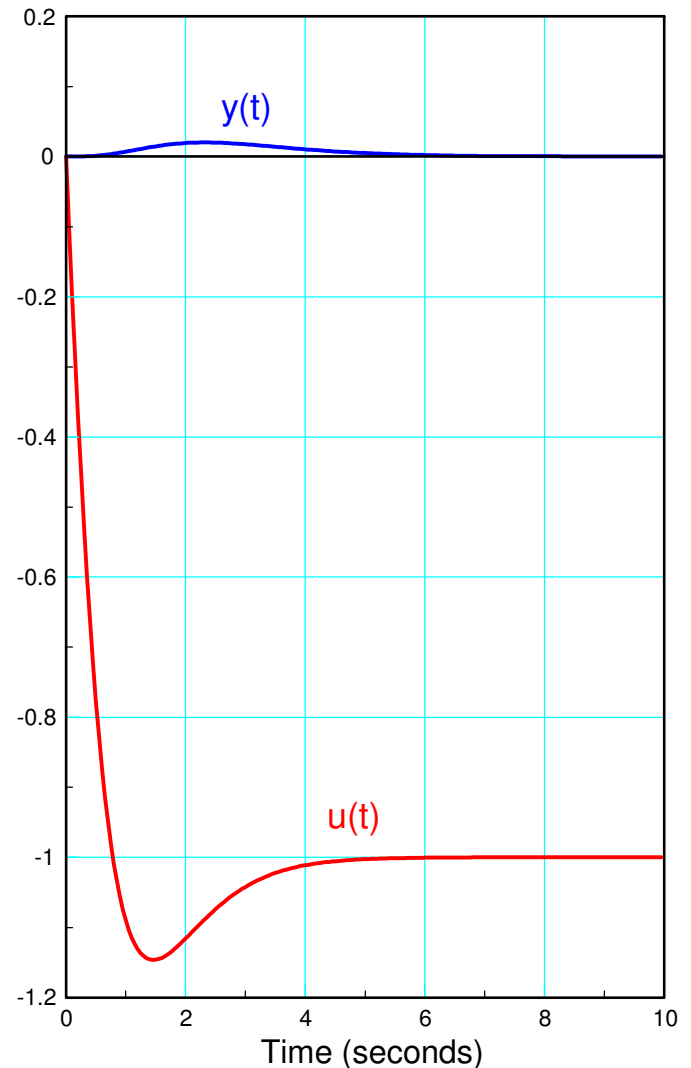
Use the B matrix with respect to d

- $Bd = [B ; 0]$

```
>> Bd = [B ; 0];  
>> G5 = ss(A5 - B5*K5, Bd, C5, D5);  
>> y = step(G5,t);  
>> plot(t,y);
```

The servo compensator searches to find the constant that forces $Y = R$

- $u(t) = -1$ cancels with the disturbance
- $u(t) + d(t) = 0$
- $(-1) + (+1) = 0$



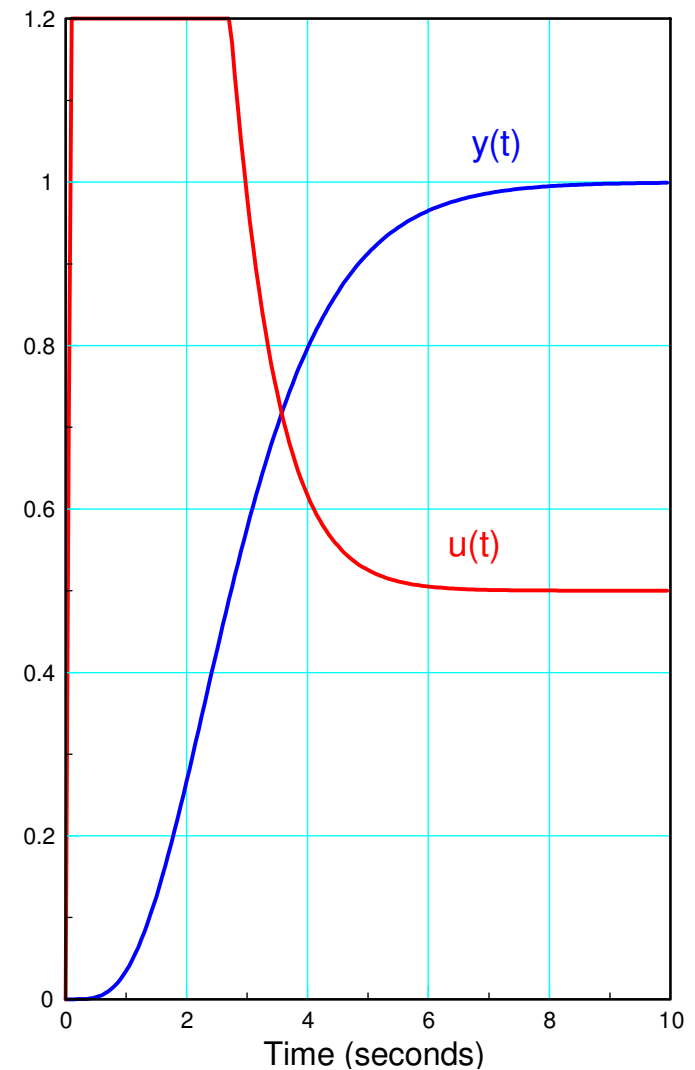
Step Response with Respect to both R & d

Let

- $R = 1$
- $d = 0.5$

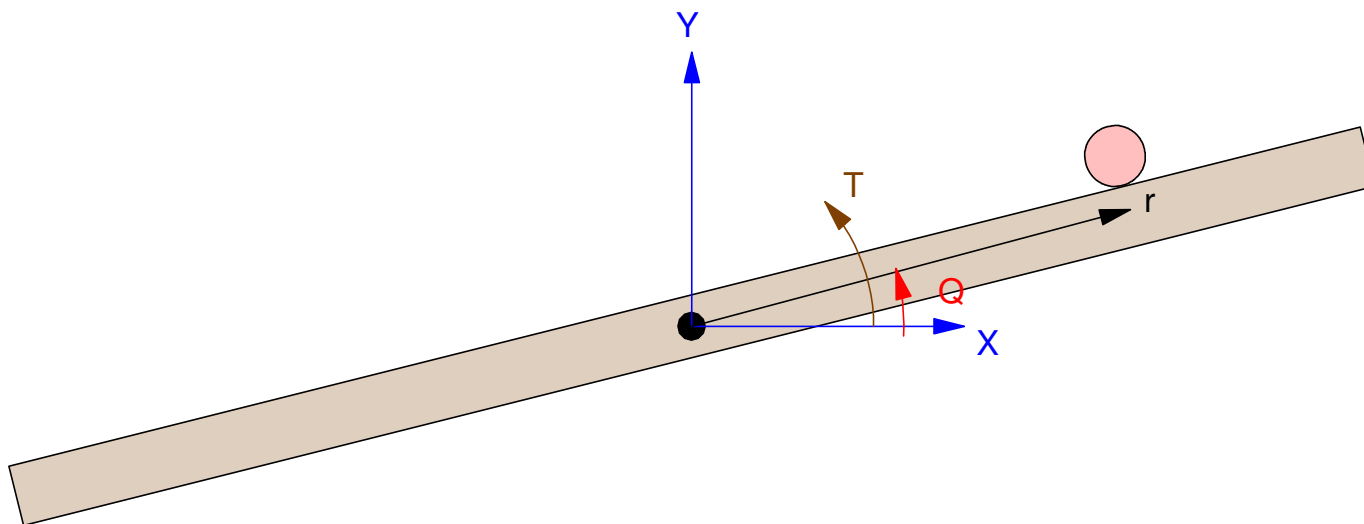
Use the B matrix with respect to d

```
>> Br = [0*B ; -1];  
>> Bd = [B ; 0];  
>> G5 = ss(A5 - B5*K5, Br+0.5*Bd, C5, D5);  
>> y = step(G5,t);  
>> plot(t,y);
```



Example 2: Ball and Beam System

- $m = 1\text{kg}$
- $J = 0.2\text{ kg m}^2$

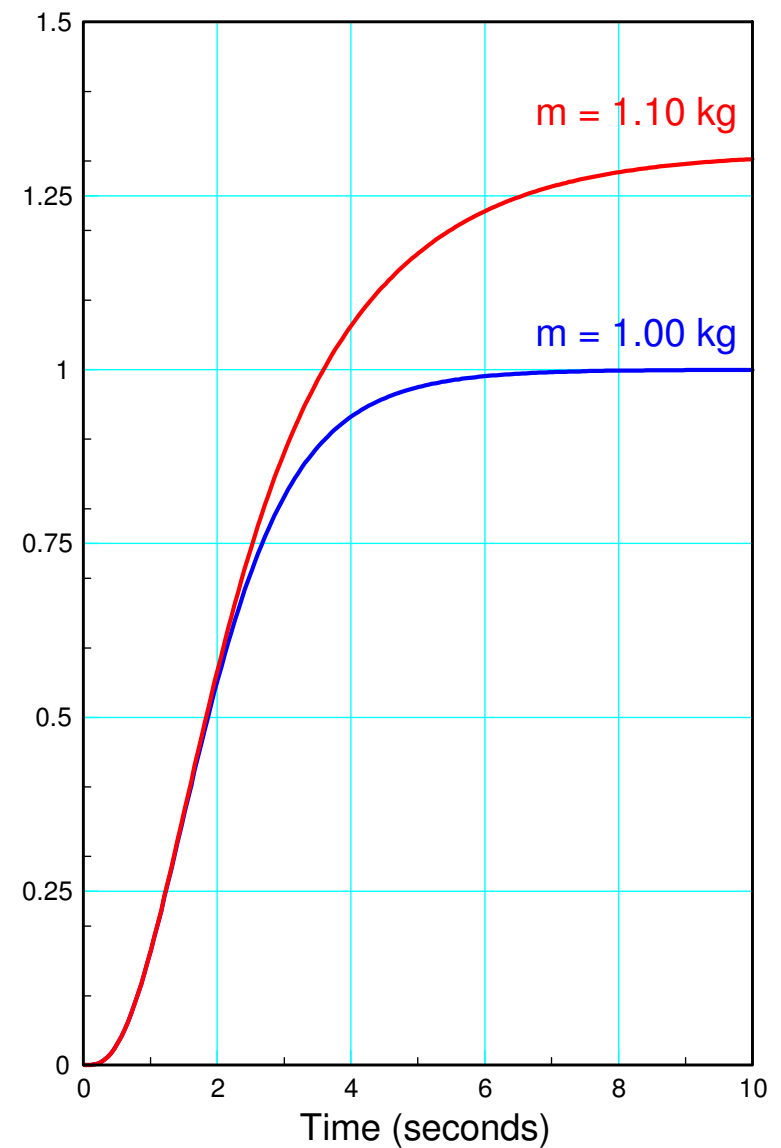


Full-State Feedback

- No servo compensator
- Poles at $\{-1, -2, -3, -4\}$
- $U = K_r R - K_x X$

Kr makes the DC gain 1 when $m = 1\text{kg}$

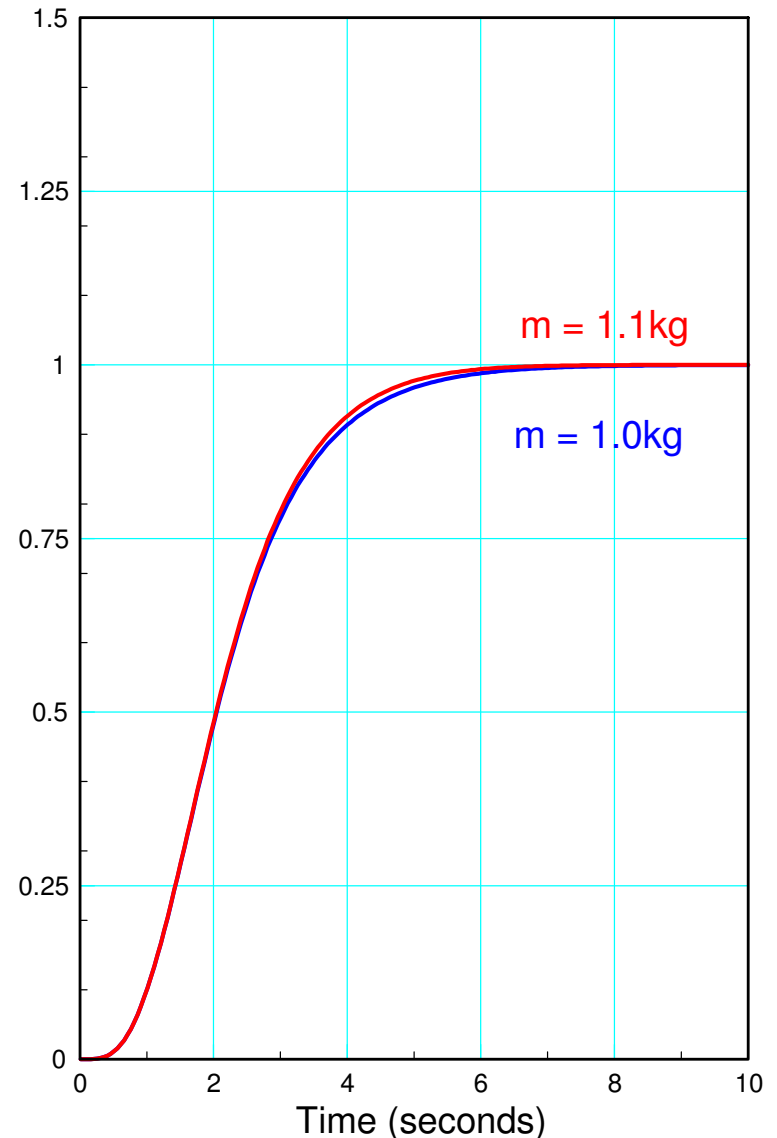
- Increase the mass to 1.1kg
- Extra torque on the beam acts as a constant disturbance
- No longer tracks



Add a Servo Compensator

- Poles at $\{-1, -2, -3, -4, -5\}$
- Now tracks a constant set point
- Now rejects a constant disturbance

```
X = [0, 0, 0, 0]';  
Z = 0;  
dt = 0.01;  
t = 0;  
Kx = [-56.774 102.004 -38.573 18.00];  
Kz = -20.5723;  
Ref = 1;  
y = [];  
  
while(t < 10)  
    U = -Kz*Z - Kx*X;  
    dX = BeamDynamics(X, U);  
    dZ = X(1) - Ref;  
    X = X + dX * dt;  
    Z = Z + dZ*dt;  
    y = [y ; Ref, X(1)];  
    t = t + dt;  
    BeamDisplay(X, Ref);  
end
```



Summary

A servo compensator creates an augmented system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} sX \\ sZ \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} U + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} R$$

With a servo compensator, you can

- Track a constant set point, and
- Reject constant disturbances

