



Intro. Computer Control Systems: F11

Discrete-time control

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3) If $|T(i\omega)|$ is below $1/|\Delta_G(i\omega)|$

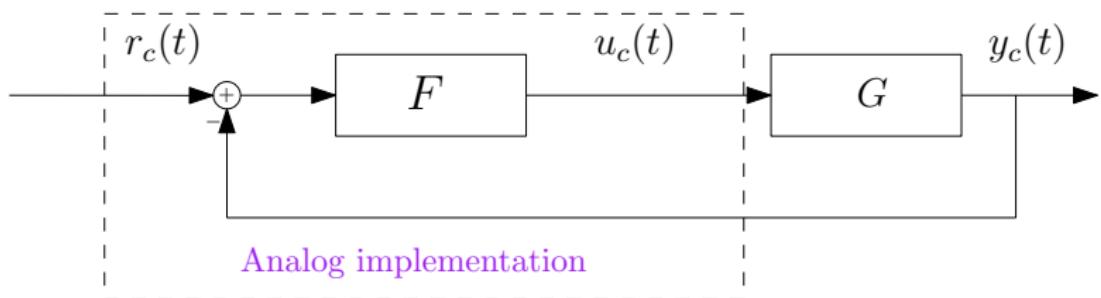
- a the unknown system $G^0(s)$ is stable \uparrow
- b the closed-loop system can be stabilized despite unknown system $G^0(s)$ \uparrow
- c the output becomes real-valued \downarrow



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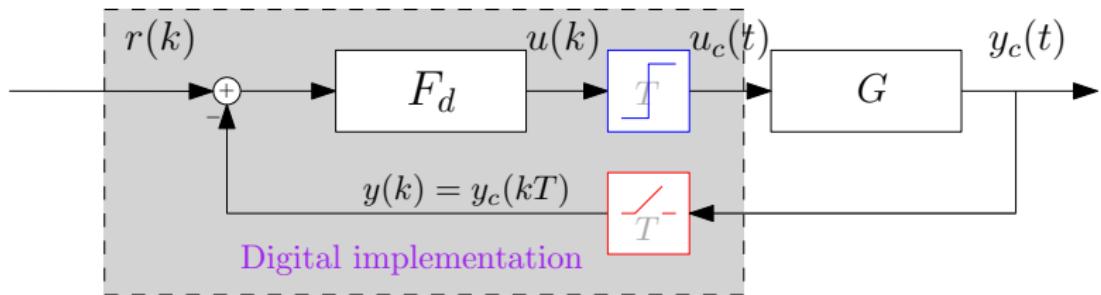
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Notation: continuous-time signals $y_c(t)$, etc.

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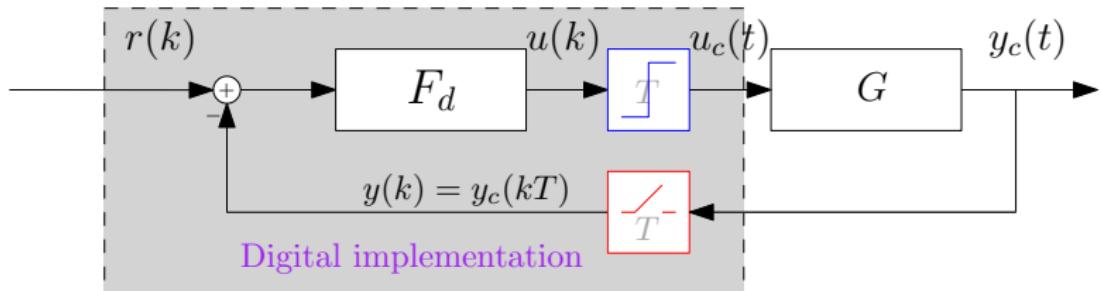
Note: discrete-time signals with sample interval T

- ▶ **A/D:** Sampling feedback signal $y(k) = y_c(kT)$
- ▶ **D/A:** Generate continuous-time input signal $u(t)$



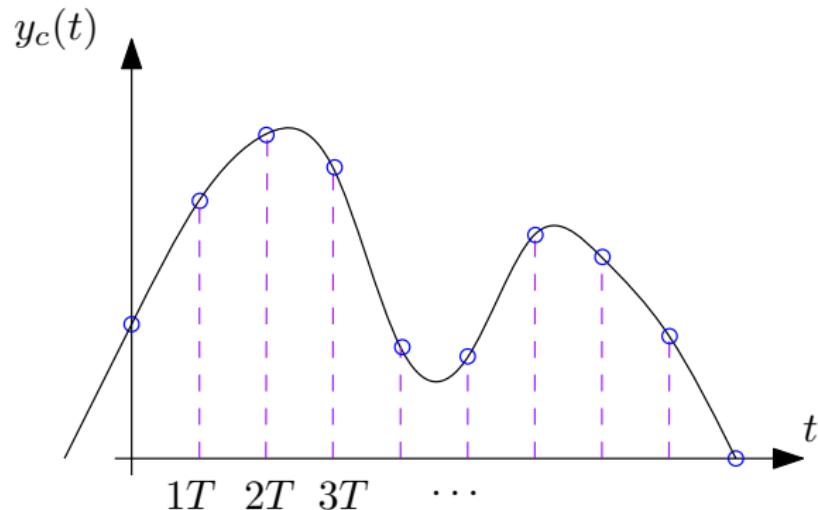
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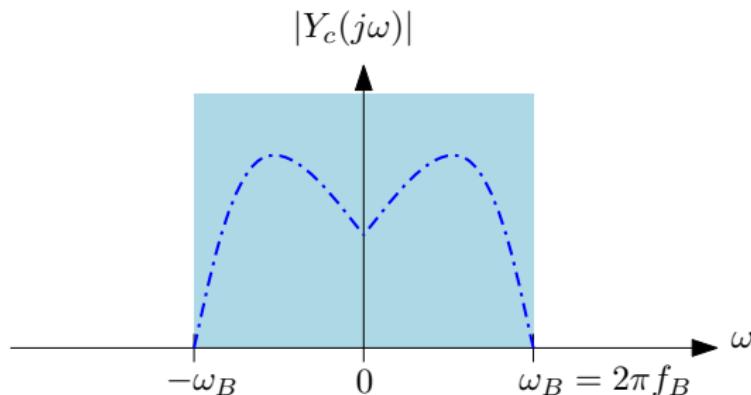
$$y(k) = y_c(kT), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

Sampling the feedback signal

Nyquist sampling theorem:

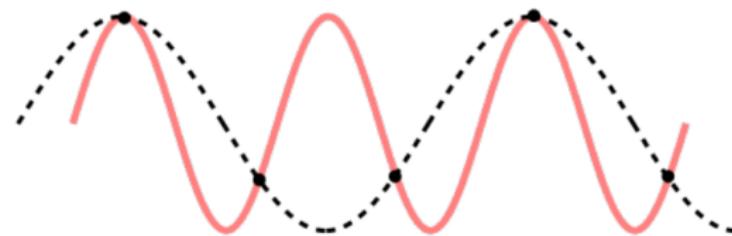
If $y_c(t)$ is **bandlimited** to $\pm\omega_B = \pm 2\pi f_B$ \Rightarrow it can be **recovered exactly** from $y_c(kT)$ when sampling frequency

$$f_s \equiv \frac{1}{T} \geq 2f_B$$



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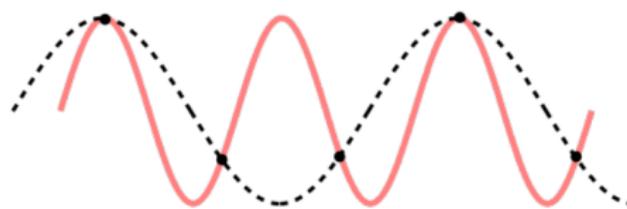
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Practical solution for a given T :

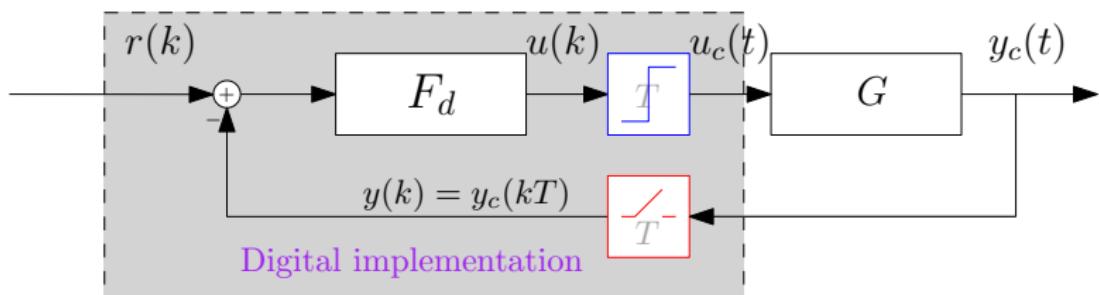
1. Low-pass filter $y_c(t)$ with $L(s)$: output $y_L(t)$ bandlimited to $f_B = 1/(2T)$.
2. Then sample filtered signal $y(k) = y_L(kT)$.



Generating continuous-time input

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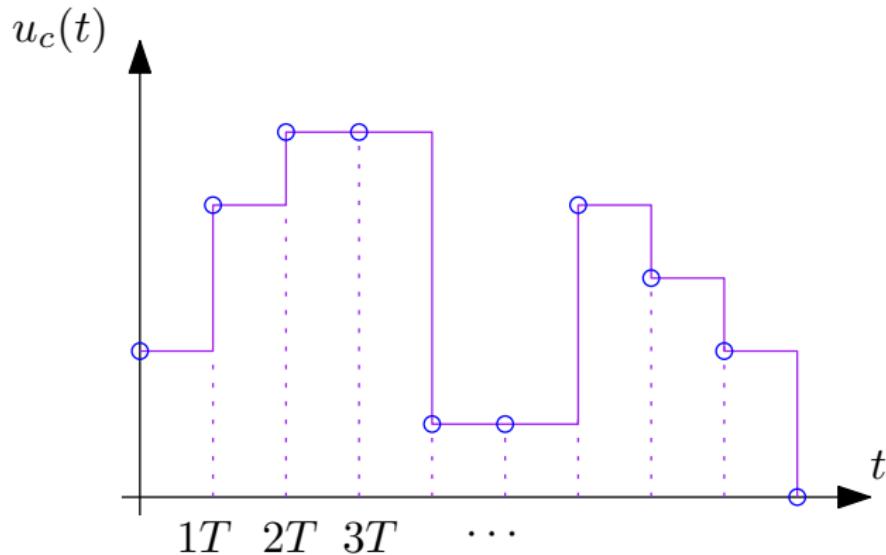


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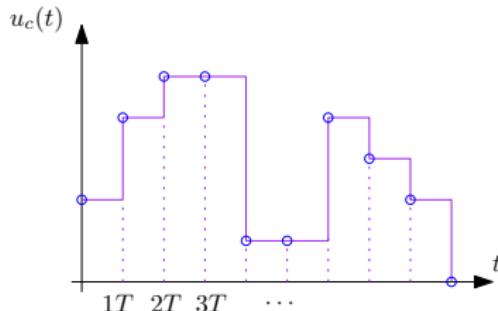
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Determine state evolution using zero-order hold input

$$\dot{x}_c(t) = Ax_c(t) + B\textcolor{blue}{u}_c(t),$$

starting at $t = \textcolor{pink}{kT}$ (instead of 0)

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$$x_c((k+1)T) = e^{AT} x_c(kT) + \left(\int_{kT}^{(k+1)T} e^{A((k+1)T-\tau)} B d\tau \right) u_c(kT)$$

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Matrix exponential as before

$$e^{At} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{(sI - A)^{-1}\}$$



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$$\boxed{\begin{aligned}x(k+1) &= Fx(k) + Gu(k) \\ y(k) &= Hx(k)\end{aligned}}$$

Note: Easy to simulate in computer!



Poles in discrete-time system

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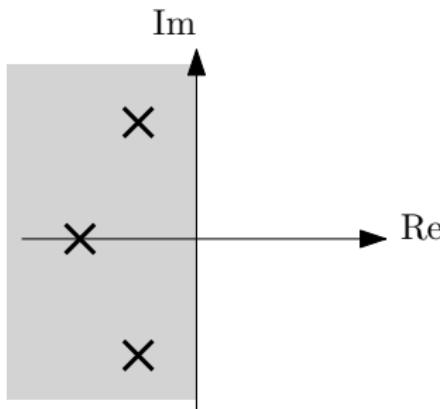
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Discrete-time LTI systems

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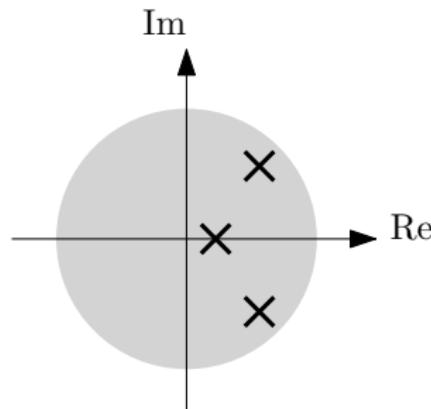
Stability: left half-plane vs. unit circle

Continuous-time LTI



$$\text{Re}\{s\} < 0$$

Discrete-time LTI



$$|p| < 1$$

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Eigenvalues/poles and sampling

Eigenvalues/poles of sampled system

System $\dot{x}_c(t) = Ax_c(t) + Bu_c(t)$ with eigenvalues s_1, \dots, s_n .
Using zero-order hold input, sampled system

$$x(k+1) = Fx(k) + Gu(k)$$

⇒ eigenvalues of $F = e^{AT}$:

$$\tilde{p}_1 = e^{s_1 T}, \dots, \tilde{p}_n = e^{s_n T}$$



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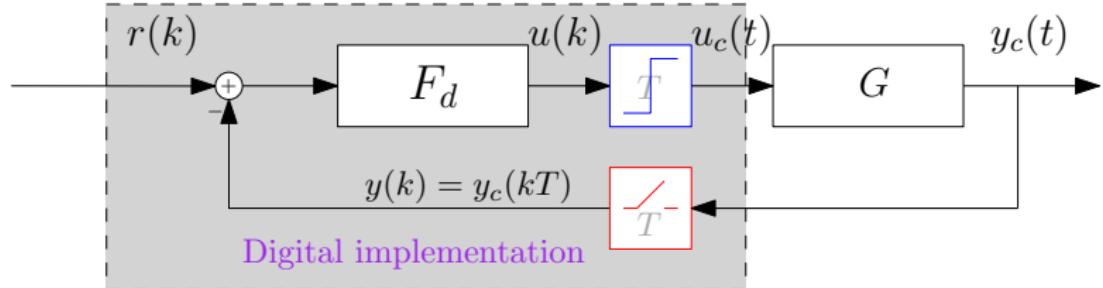
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Summary and recap

- ▶ Sampling output and Nyquist sampling theorem
- ▶ Zero-order hold input and state-space form
- ▶ Discrete-time LTI eigenvalues/poles