

We consider the electrical circuit containing an LC transmission line described by (5) in page 161 of V. Rasvan, S.-I. Niculescu, *Oscillations in lossless propagation models: a Liapunov-Krasovskii approach*, IMA J. Mathematical Control and Information, 19 (2002), pp. 151-172.

Let us point out that system (5) is a non-linear differential time-delay system.

We are going to show how to obtain a π -flat output for the non-linear system by studying the linearized system by means of *OreModules*.

First, we define the Ore algebra of differential time-delay operators. In particular, we add all the constants of the system in "comm". Let us point out that we use the notation $\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}$.

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> Alg := DefineOreAlgebra(diff=[D,t], dual_shift=[delta,s], polynom=[t,s],
> comm=[R1,R2,C1,C2,alpha], shift_action=[delta,t,sqrt(L*C)]):
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The non-linear system is defined by:

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> evalm([[R1*C1*D(v1)(t)+v1(t)+R1*alpha*v1(t)+R1*f1(v1(t))-2*R1*alpha
> *v2(t-(L*C)^(1/2))+E(t)],,
> [(1+R2*alpha)*C2*D(v2)(t)+alpha*v2(t)-2*alpha*eta1(t-(L*C)^(1/2))],,
> [-v1(t)+eta1(t)+eta2(t-(L*C)^(1/2))],,
> [-1/(1+R2*alpha)*v2(t)+(1-R2*alpha)/(1+R2*alpha)*eta1(t-(L*C)^(1/2))+eta2(t)]])
> = matrix([[0], [0], [0], [0]]);
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$$\begin{bmatrix} R1 C1 D(v1)(t) + v1(t) + R1 \alpha v1(t) + R1 f1(v1(t)) - 2 R1 \alpha v2(t - \sqrt{LC}) + E(t) \\ (1 + R2 \alpha) C2 D(v2)(t) + \alpha v2(t) - 2 \alpha \eta_1(t - \sqrt{LC}) \\ -v1(t) + \eta_1(t) + \eta_2(t - \sqrt{LC}) \\ -\frac{v2(t)}{1 + R2 \alpha} + \frac{(1 - R2 \alpha) \eta_1(t - \sqrt{LC})}{1 + R2 \alpha} + \eta_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us point out that the non-linearity of the system appears only in the term $R1 f1(v1(t))$ of the first equation. We first consider the system without the non-linear term in the first equation. Therefore, the linear differential time-delay system is defined by:

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> R := evalm([[R1*C1*D+1+R1*alpha, -2*R1*alpha*delta, 0, 0, 1],
> [0, (1+R2*alpha)*C2*D+alpha, -2*alpha*delta, 0, 0], [-1, 0, 1, delta, 0],
> [0, -1/(1+R2*alpha), (1-R2*alpha)/(1+R2*alpha)*delta, 1, 0]]);
R := \begin{bmatrix} R1 C1 D + 1 + R1 \alpha & -2 R1 \alpha \delta & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & (1 + R2 \alpha) C2 D + \alpha & -2 \alpha \delta & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & \delta & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{1 + R2 \alpha} & \frac{(1 - R2 \alpha) \delta}{1 + R2 \alpha} & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
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Then, we define R_{adj} by using an involution of the Ore algebra Alg .

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> R_adj := Involution(R, Alg);
R_adj := \begin{bmatrix} -R1 C1 D + 1 + R1 \alpha & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 R1 \alpha \delta & -C2 D - C2 D R2 \alpha + \alpha & 0 & -\frac{1}{1 + R2 \alpha} \\ 0 & 2 \alpha \delta & 1 & -\frac{\delta}{1 + R2 \alpha} + \frac{\delta R2 \alpha}{1 + R2 \alpha} \\ 0 & 0 & -\delta & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
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Let us check whether or not the linear system is controllable, parametrizable and flat.

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> st := time(): Ext1 := Exti(R_adj, Alg, 1); time()-st;
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$$\begin{aligned}
Ext1 := & \left[\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \right. \\
& \left[\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 & \delta & 0 \\ R1 C1 D + 1 + R1 \alpha & -2 R1 \alpha \delta & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -\delta + \delta R2 \alpha & -1 - R2 \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & -C2 D + C2 D R2 \alpha + \alpha & 0 & -2 \alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\
& [-\delta^2 \alpha - C2 D - C2 D R2 \alpha + D C2 \delta^2 - R2 \alpha D C2 \delta^2 - \alpha] \\
& [-2 \alpha \delta] \\
& [-C2 D - C2 D R2 \alpha - \alpha] \\
& [-\alpha \delta + D C2 \delta - R2 \alpha D C2 \delta] \\
& \left. \begin{bmatrix} D^2 C2 R2 \alpha R1 C1 - C2 D \delta^2 R1 \alpha + C2 D R2 \alpha + D^2 C2 R1 C1 + \alpha - 3 \alpha^2 \delta^2 R1 \right. \\
& + \alpha^2 R1 + C2 D + \alpha R1 C1 D + D C2 R2 \alpha^2 R1 + D C2 R1 \alpha - D C2 \delta^2 + \delta^2 \alpha \\
& - C2 D^2 \delta^2 R1 C1 + R2 \alpha D C2 \delta^2 + C2 D R2 \alpha^2 \delta^2 R1 + C2 D^2 R2 \alpha \delta^2 R1 C1 \\
& \left. + \alpha \delta^2 R1 C1 D \right] \right]
\end{aligned}$$

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As the first matrix $Ext1[1]$ of $Ext1$ is the identity matrix, we obtain that the Alg -module associated with R is torsion-free. Therefore, the linear system is controllable, and thus, parametrizable. A parametrization of the system is then given by the matrix $Ext1[3]$ or, equivalently, by:

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> P := Parametrization(R, Alg):
> v1(t)=P[1,1];
v1(t) = -\alpha \xi_1(t - 2\sqrt{LC}) - C2 D(\xi_1)(t) - C2 R2 \alpha D(\xi_1)(t) + C2 D(\xi_1)(t - 2\sqrt{LC})
- C2 R2 \alpha D(\xi_1)(t - 2\sqrt{LC}) - \alpha \xi_1(t)
> v2(t)=P[2,1];
v2(t) = -2 \alpha \xi_1(t - \sqrt{LC})
> eta1(t)=P[3,1];
eta1(t) = -C2 D(\xi_1)(t) - C2 R2 \alpha D(\xi_1)(t) - \alpha \xi_1(t)
> eta2(t)=P[4,1];
eta2(t) = -\alpha \xi_1(t - \sqrt{LC}) + C2 D(\xi_1)(t - \sqrt{LC}) - C2 R2 \alpha D(\xi_1)(t - \sqrt{LC})
> E(t)=P[5,1];
E(t) = C2 R2 \alpha R1 C1 (D^(2))(\xi_1)(t) - C2 R1 \alpha \%1 + C2 R2 \alpha D(\xi_1)(t)
+ C2 R1 C1 (D^(2))(\xi_1)(t) + \alpha \xi_1(t) - 3 \alpha^2 R1 \xi_1(t - 2\sqrt{LC}) + \alpha^2 R1 \xi_1(t)
+ C2 D(\xi_1)(t) + \alpha R1 C1 D(\xi_1)(t) + C2 R2 \alpha^2 R1 D(\xi_1)(t) + C2 R1 \alpha D(\xi_1)(t)
- C2 \%1 + \alpha \xi_1(t - 2\sqrt{LC}) - C2 R1 C1 (D^(2))(\xi_1)(t - 2\sqrt{LC}) + C2 R2 \alpha \%1
+ C2 R2 \alpha^2 R1 \%1 + C2 R2 \alpha R1 C1 (D^(2))(\xi_1)(t - 2\sqrt{LC}) + \alpha R1 C1 \%1
\xi_1 := D(\xi_1)(t - 2\sqrt{LC})

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Therefore, we have parametrized the system variables $v1$, $v2$, $\eta1$, $\eta2$ and E by means of an arbitrary function ξ_1 . Let us check whether or not ξ_1 can be expressed by means of the system variables $v1$, $v2$, $\eta1$, $\eta2$ and E . In order to do that, we need to determine whether or not the Alg -module associated with R is

projective. This fact is equivalent to the vanishing of the second extension module ext^2 with values in Alg of the Alg -module associated with $R_- \text{ adj}$.

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> Ext2 := Exti(R_adj, Alg, 2);
Ext2 := [ [ δ
           C2 D + C2 D R2 α + α ], [ 1 ], SURJ(1) ]
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As the first matrix $\text{Ext2}[1]$ is not the identity matrix, we deduce that the Alg -module associated with R is not projective, and thus, not free. In particular, we conclude that the linear system is not flat. Let us compute the obstruction of flatness.

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> PiPolynomial(R, Alg, [delta]);
[δ]
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Hence, the linear system is δ -flat, meaning that if we use the time-advance operator δ^{-1} , then the system becomes flat. In particular, using the time-advance operator δ^{-1} , we obtain the flat output $\xi = S(v1 : v2 : \eta1 : \eta2 : E)^T$ of the system, where S is the following matrix:

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> S := LocalLeftInverse(Ext1[3], [delta], Alg);
S := [ 0 -1/(2δα) 0 0 0 ]
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More precisely, we have:

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> xi(t)=ApplyMatrix(S, [v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)], Alg)[1,1];
ξ(t) = -1/2 v2(t + √LC) / α
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Therefore, we obtain that $v2$ is the δ -flat output of the linear system. Let us express the system variables $v1$, $v2$, $\eta1$, $\eta2$ and E in terms of the δ -flat output $v2$. In order to do that, we substitute the expression of $\xi(t)$ in terms of $v2(t)$ into the parametrization of $v1$, $v2$, $\eta1$, $\eta2$ and E obtained above. Finally, we obtain:

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> F := simplify(Mult(Ext1[3], S, Alg));
F :=
[ 0, (C2 D + C2 D R2 α + α - D C2 δ² + R2 α D C2 δ² + δ² α) / (2 α δ), 0, 0, 0 ]
[ 0, 1, 0, 0, 0 ]
[ 0, (C2 D + C2 D R2 α + α) / (2 α δ), 0, 0, 0 ]
[ 0, -(C2 D + C2 D R2 α + α) / (2 α), 0, 0, 0 ]
[ 0, -(D² C2 R2 α R1 C1 - C2 D δ² R1 α + C2 D R2 α + D² C2 R1 C1 + α
   - 3 α² δ² R1 + α² R1 + C2 D + α R1 C1 D + D C2 R2 α² R1 + D C2 R1 α
   - D C2 δ² + δ² α - C2 D² δ² R1 C1 + R2 α D C2 δ² + C2 D R2 α² δ² R1
   + C2 D² R2 α δ² R1 C1 + α δ² R1 C1 D) / (2 α δ), 0, 0, 0 ]
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In terms of the system variables, we have the following parametrization of $v1$, $v2$, $\eta1$, $\eta2$ and E by means of $v2$:

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> v1(t)=ApplyMatrix(F, [v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)], Alg)[1,1];
v1(t) =  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 D(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC})}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 D(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} v2(t + \sqrt{LC})$ 
      -  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 D(v2)(t - \sqrt{LC})}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 D(v2)(t - \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} v2(t - \sqrt{LC})$ 
> v2(t)=ApplyMatrix(F, [v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)], Alg)[2,1];
v2(t) = v2(t)
> eta1(t)=ApplyMatrix(F, [v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)], Alg)[3,1];
eta1(t) =  $\frac{1}{2} v2(t + \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(C2 + C2 R2 \alpha) D(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC})}{\alpha}$ 
> eta2(t)=ApplyMatrix(F, [v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)], Alg)[4,1];
eta2(t) =  $\frac{1}{2} v2(t) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(-C2 + C2 R2 \alpha) D(v2)(t)}{\alpha}$ 
> E(t)=ApplyMatrix(F, [v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)], Alg)[5,1];
E(t) =  $-\frac{1}{2} C2 R2 R1 C1 (D^{(2)})(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} C2 R1 \%1 - \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \%2$ 
      -  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 R1 C1 (D^{(2)})(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC})}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2} v2(t + \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{3}{2} \alpha R1 v2(t - \sqrt{LC})$ 
      -  $\frac{1}{2} \alpha R1 v2(t + \sqrt{LC}) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 \%2}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2} R1 C1 \%2 - \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \alpha R1 \%2$ 
      -  $\frac{1}{2} C2 R1 \%2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 \%1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2} v2(t - \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 R1 C1 (D^{(2)})(v2)(t - \sqrt{LC})}{\alpha}$ 
      -  $\frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \%1 - \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \alpha R1 \%1 - \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 R1 C1 (D^{(2)})(v2)(t - \sqrt{LC})$ 
      -  $\frac{1}{2} R1 C1 \%1$ 
      \%1 := D(v2)(t - \sqrt{LC})
      \%2 := D(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC})

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Now, let us return to the non-linear system defined above. The previous computations of the parametrization show that the non-linear system is triangular:

1. From the second equation of the non-linear system, we can express η_1 in terms of v_2 by using a derivation and an advance operator δ^{-1} .
2. From the fourth equation, we can express η_2 in terms of v_2 and η_1 , and thus, in terms of v_2 only by substituting the previous expression of η_1 in terms of v_2 .
3. From the third equation, we can express v_1 in terms of η_1 and η_2 , and thus, in terms of v_2 only by using the expressions already obtained.
4. From the first equation, we obtain E in terms of v_1 and v_2 , and thus, in terms of v_2 only.

Therefore, the non-linearity $R1 f1(v1(t))$ will only appear in step 4 when we express E in terms of v_1 . Hence, the parametrization of η_1 , η_2 and v_1 in terms of v_2 is the same as in the linear model. More precisely, by substituting $\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}$, we have:

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> v1(t)=subs(alpha=sqrt(C/L), ApplyMatrix(F,[v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)],
> Alg)[1,1]);

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v1(t) =  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 D(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC})}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}} + \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 D(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} v2(t + \sqrt{LC})$ 
       $- \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 D(v2)(t - \sqrt{LC})}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}} + \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 D(v2)(t - \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} v2(t - \sqrt{LC})$ 
> v2(t)=ApplyMatrix(F, [v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)],Alg)[2,1];
      v2(t) = v2(t)
> eta1(t)=subs(alpha=sqrt(C/L),ApplyMatrix(F,[v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)],
> Alg)[3,1]);
      eta1(t) =  $\frac{1}{2} v2(t + \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(C2 + C2 R2 \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}) D(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC})}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}}$ 
> eta2(t)=subs(alpha=sqrt(C/L), ApplyMatrix(F,[v1(t),v2(t),eta1(t),eta2(t),E(t)],
> Alg)[4,1]);
      eta2(t) =  $\frac{1}{2} v2(t) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(-C2 + C2 R2 \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}) D(v2)(t)}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}}$ 

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Finally, after having expressed E in terms of $v1$, we can substitute the expression of $v1$ in terms of $v2$ in order to obtain the following parametrization of E :

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> E(t)=subs(alpha=sqrt(C/L), ApplyMatrix(F[5,2], [v2(t)], Alg)[1]
> +R1*f1(ApplyMatrix(F[1,2], [v2(t)], Alg)[1]));
      E(t) =  $-\frac{1}{2} C2 R2 R1 C1 (D^{(2)})(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} C2 R1 \%1 - \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \%2$ 
       $- \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 R1 C1 (D^{(2)})(v2)(t + \sqrt{LC})}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}} - \frac{1}{2} v2(t + \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} R1 v2(t - \sqrt{LC})$ 
       $- \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} R1 v2(t + \sqrt{LC}) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 \%2}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}} - \frac{1}{2} R1 C1 \%2 - \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} R1 \%2$ 
       $- \frac{1}{2} C2 R1 \%2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 \%1}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}} - \frac{1}{2} v2(t - \sqrt{LC}) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 R1 C1 (D^{(2)})(v2)(t - \sqrt{LC})}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}}$ 
       $- \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \%1 - \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}} R1 \%1 - \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 R1 C1 (D^{(2)})(v2)(t - \sqrt{LC})$ 
       $- \frac{1}{2} R1 C1 \%1 + R1 f1 \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 \%2}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}} + \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \%2 + \frac{1}{2} v2(t + \sqrt{LC}) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{C2 \%1}{\sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}}$ 
       $+ \frac{1}{2} C2 R2 \%1 + \frac{1}{2} v2(t - \sqrt{LC}) \right)$ 
      \%1 := D(v2)(t -  $\sqrt{LC}$ )
      \%2 := D(v2)(t +  $\sqrt{LC}$ )

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