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Model Reduction for Control Systems

Application Areas

System Classes

How general are these system classes?

Linear Systems and their Transfer Functions

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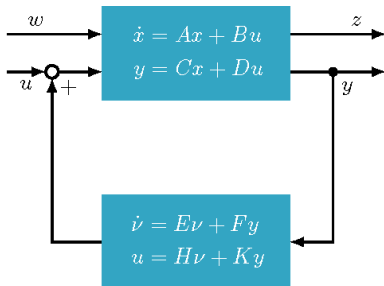
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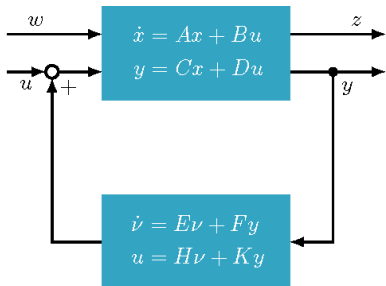
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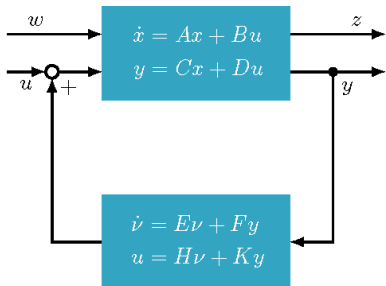
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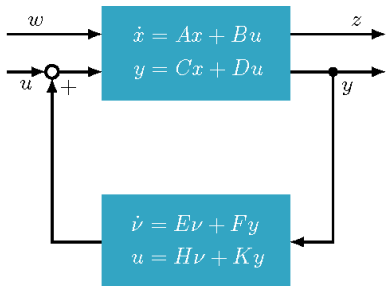
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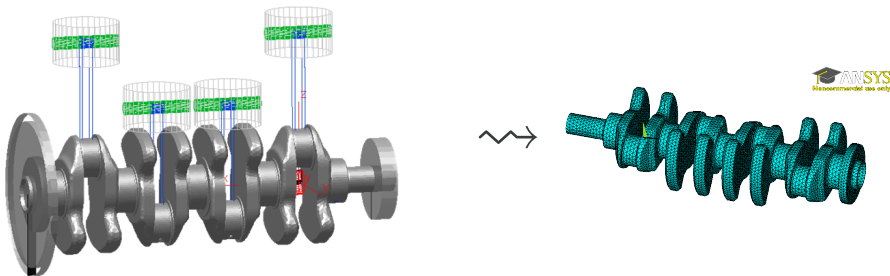
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Balanced truncation and related methods are the standard MOR techniques in systems and control!

Available in MATLAB Control System Toolbox™ and Robust Control Toolbox™, SLICOT Model and Controller Toolbox, MORLAB, pyMOR,



- **Progressive miniaturization:** **Moore's Law** states that the number of on-chip transistors doubled each 12/18 months.
- **Verification of VLSI/ULSI chip design** requires high number of simulations for different input signals.
- Increase in packing density requires modeling of **interconnect** to ensure that thermic/electro-magnetic effects do not disturb signal transmission.
- Linear and weakly nonlinear systems in micro electronics occur through modified nodal analysis (MNA) for RLC networks, e.g., when
 - decoupling large **linear subcircuits**,
 - modeling **transmission lines (interconnect, powergrid)**, **parasitic effects**,
 - modeling **pin packages** in VLSI chips,
 - modeling circuit elements described by Maxwell's equation using partial element equivalent circuits (**PEEC**).
- Mostly, models lead to descriptor systems; requires adaption of basic methods!



- Resolving complex 3D geometries \Rightarrow millions of degrees of freedom.
- Analysis of elastic deformations requires many simulation runs for varying external forces.
- Modeling often via second-order differential equations (damped wave equation), exploitation of this particular structure still an active research field!



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Written in control-affine form:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}(x) &:= Ax + H(x \otimes x), & \mathcal{B}(x) &:= [A_1, \dots, A_m] (I_m \otimes x) + B \\ \mathcal{C}(x) &:= Cx, & \mathcal{D}(x) &:= D.\end{aligned}$$

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Remark

Bilinear systems directly occur, e.g., in biological systems, PDE control problems with mixed boundary conditions, "control via coefficients", networked control systems, ...



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Alternatively, polynomial-bilinear system can be obtained using iterated Lie brackets [GU 2011].

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FitzHugh-Nagumo model

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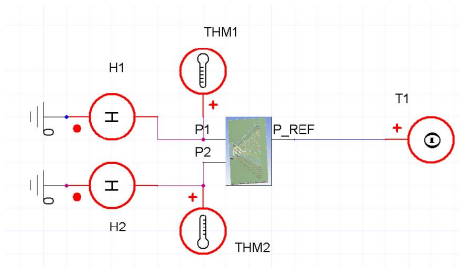
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Practical implementation

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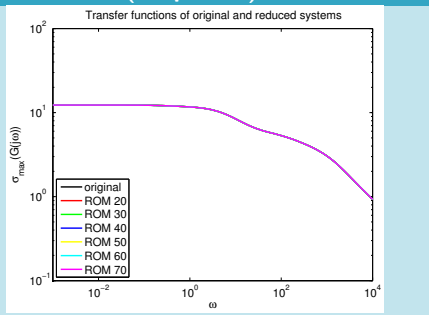
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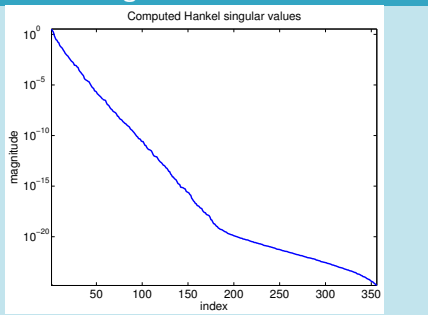
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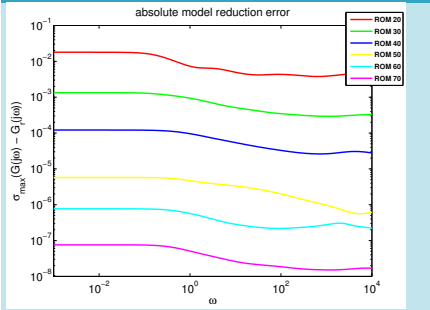


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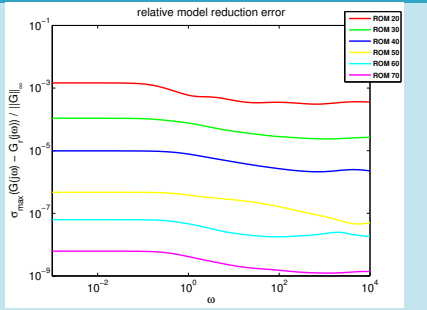


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- Generalized Alternating Directions Iteration (ADI) method.
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Alternative: \mathcal{H}_2 -optimal rational interpolation/bilinear IRKA [B./BREITEN 2012, B./BRUNS 2015, FLAGG/GUGERCIN 2015].

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- Rewrite as system with zero initial condition,
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- $p_j \in [0, 10^9]$ time-varying voltage functions,
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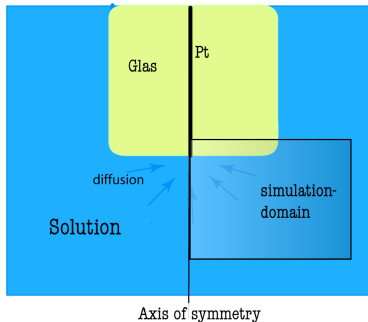
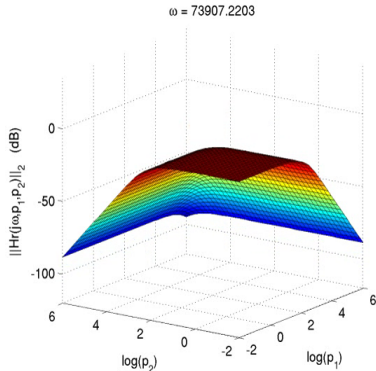
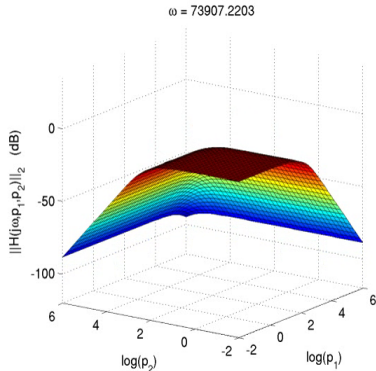


Figure: [FENG ET AL. 2006]

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Example: controllability Gramian from time domain data (snapshots)

1. Define reachability Gramian of the system

$$P = \int_0^\infty x(t)x(t)^T dt, \quad \text{where } x(t) \text{ solves } \dot{x} = f(x, \delta), \quad x(0) = x_0.$$

2. Use time-domain integrator to produce snapshots $x_k \approx x(t_k)$, $k = 1, \dots, K$.
3. Approximate $P \approx \sum_{k=0}^K w_k x_k x_k^T$ with positive weights w_k .
4. Analogously for observability Gramian.
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(Recall: if their solutions exist, they define reachability and observability Gramians of BIBO stable bilinear system.)

- Here, we aim at determining algebraic Gramians for QB (and polynomial) systems, which
 - provide bounds for the energy functionals of QB systems,
 - generalize the Gramians of linear and bilinear systems, and
 - allow us to find the states that are hard to reach as well as hard to observe in an efficient and reliable way.



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Note: $H = 0 \rightsquigarrow$ "bilinear reachability Gramian"; if additionally, all $A_k = 0 \rightsquigarrow$ linear one.



Gramians for QB Systems

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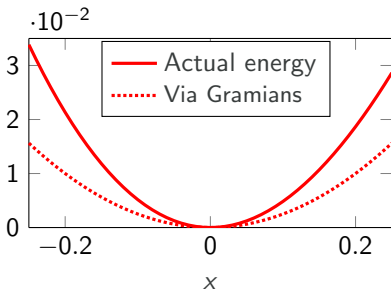


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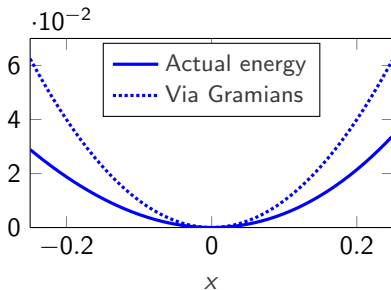
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$$A^T Q_T + Q_TA = -C^T C - \sum_{k=1}^m A_k^T Q_l A_k - H^{(2)}(P_l \otimes Q_l)(H^{(2)})^T,$$

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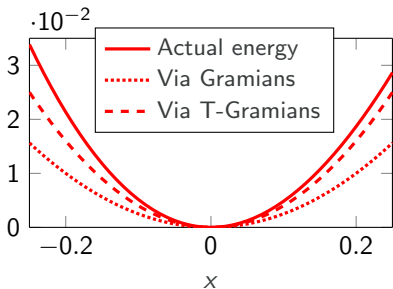


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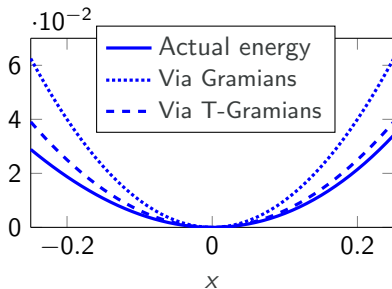
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Remark: There are efficient ways to compute \hat{H} , avoiding the explicit computation of $\mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{V}$.
 [B./BREITEN 2015, B./GOYAL/GUGERCIN 2018]

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_t + v^3 &= v_{xx} + v, & (0, L) \times (0, T), \\
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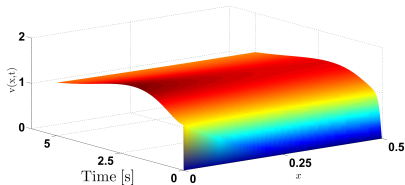


Figure: Chafee-Infante equation.

- Cubic nonlinearity that can be rewritten into QB form. [B./BREITEN 2015]
- The transformed QB system is of order $n = 1,000$.
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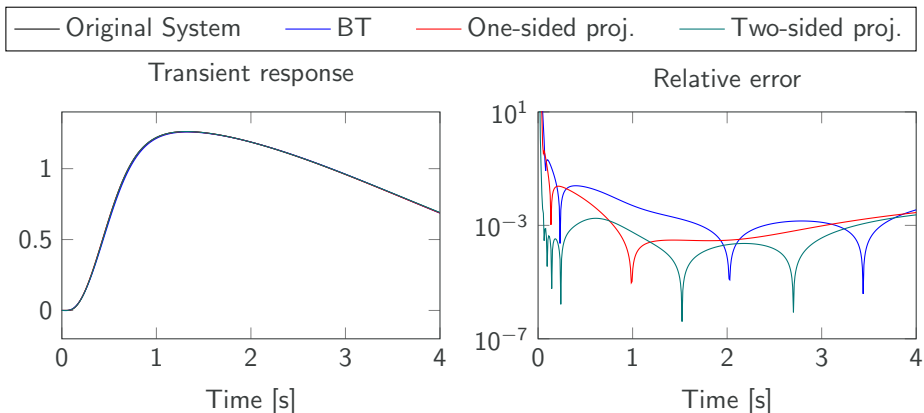


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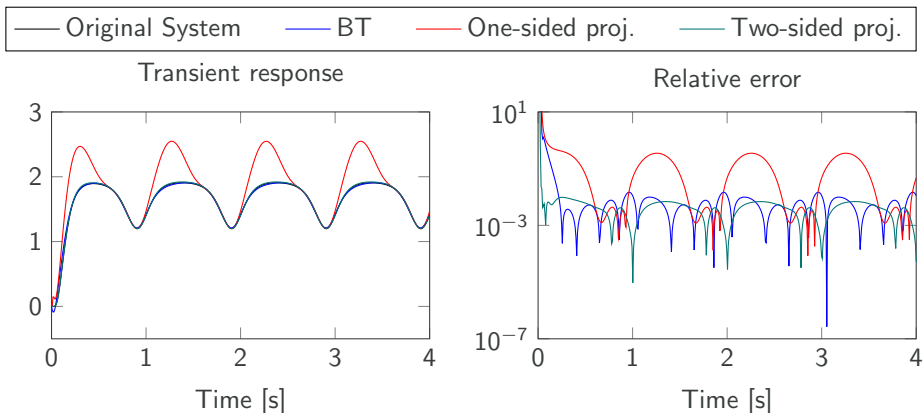


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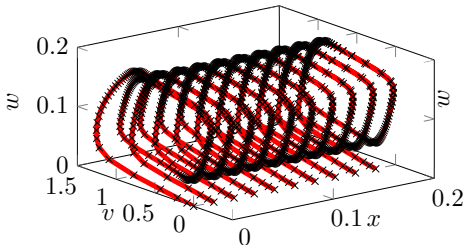
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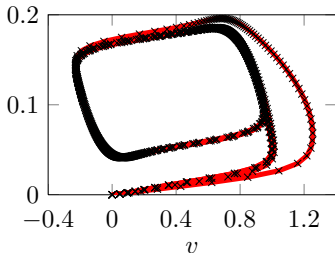
- Input $i_0(t) = 5 \cdot 10^4 t^3 \exp(-15t)$ serves as actuator.

— Original system ($n = 1500$)

× Reduced system (BT) ($r = 20$)



(a) Limit-cycles at various x .



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Figure: Comparison of the limit-cycles obtained via the original and reduced-order (BT) systems. The reduced-order systems constructed by rational interpolation methods were unstable.

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Examples: [FitzHugh-Nagumo](#) and [Chafee-Infante](#) equations lead to cubic control systems; cubic-quintic [Allen-Cahn](#) equation to quintic control system.

Expanding the response of the PC system into a Volterra series representation and following the same ideas as in the QB case, we define the reachability Gramian as

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Theorem

[B./GOYAL/PONTES DUFF 2018]

The **reachability Gramian P** of a PC system solves the **polynomial Lyapunov** equation

$$AP + PA^T + BB^T + \sum_{j=2}^{n_p} H_j \left(\otimes^j P \right) H_j^T + \sum_{j=2}^{n_p} \sum_{k=1}^m N_j^k \left(\otimes^j P \right) \left(N_j^k \right)^T = 0.$$

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[B./GOYAL/PONTES DUFF 2018]

Let **P** be the **reachability Gramian**. Then, the **observability Gramian Q** of a PC system solves the **polynomial Lyapunov equation**

$$A^T Q + QA + C^T C + \sum_{j=2}^{np} H_j^{(2)} \left(\otimes^{j-1} P \otimes Q \right) \left(H_j^{(2)} \right)^T + \sum_{j=2}^{np} \sum_{k=1}^m N_j^{k,(2)} \left(\otimes^{j-1} P \otimes Q \right) \left(N_j^{k,(2)} \right)^T = 0.$$

- Polynomial Lyapunov equations are very expensive to solve.
- As for QB systems, we thus propose truncated Gramians that only involve a finite number of kernels:

$$P_{\mathcal{T}} = \sum_{k=1}^{n_p+1} \int_0^{\infty} \cdots \int_0^{\infty} \bar{P}_k(t_1, \dots, t_k) \bar{P}_k(t_1, \dots, t_k)^T dt_1 \dots dt_k.$$

Truncated Gramians

The reachability truncated Gramian solves

$$AP_{\mathcal{T}} + P_{\mathcal{T}}A^T + BB^T + \sum_{j=2}^{n_p} H_j \otimes^j P_l H_j^T + \sum_{j=2}^{n_p} \sum_{k=1}^m N_j^k \otimes^j P_l (N_j^k)^T = 0.$$

where $AP_l + P_l A^T + BB^T = 0$

- **Advantage:** Only need to solve a finite number of (linear) Lyapunov equations.

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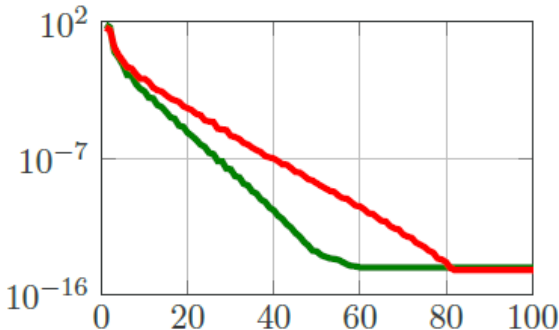
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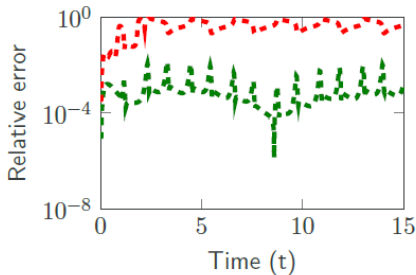
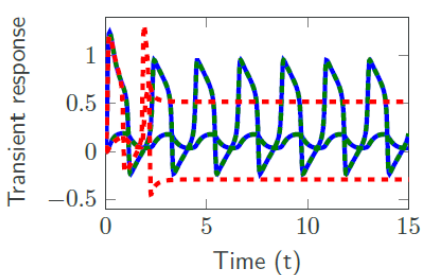
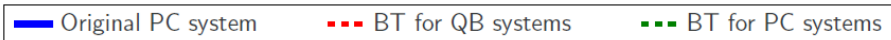
where $\epsilon = 0.015$, $h = 0.5$, $\gamma = 2$, $q = 0.05$, $L = 0.2$.

- After discretization we obtain a PC system with cubic nonlinearity of order $n_{pc} = 600$. [B./BREITEN '15]
- The transformed quadratic-bilinear (QB) system is of order $n_{qb} = 900$.
- The outputs of interest $v(0, t)$, $w(0, t)$ are the responses at the left boundary at $x = 0$.
- We compare balanced truncation for PC and QB systems.

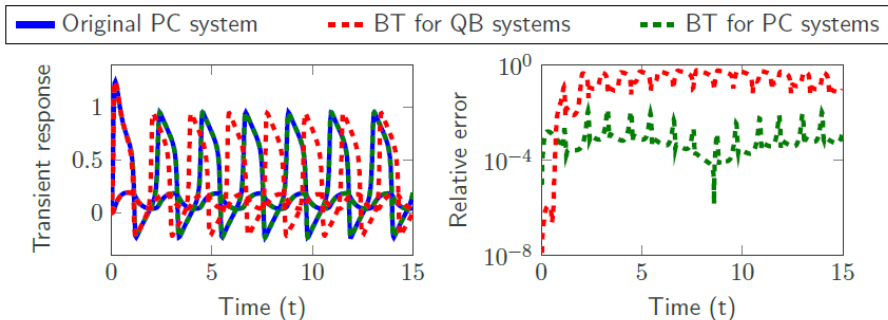
— BT for QB systems — BT for PC systems



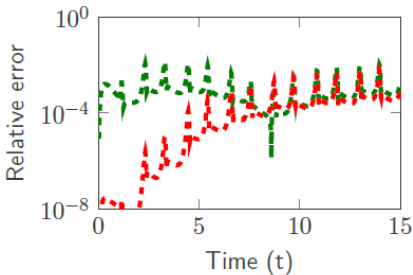
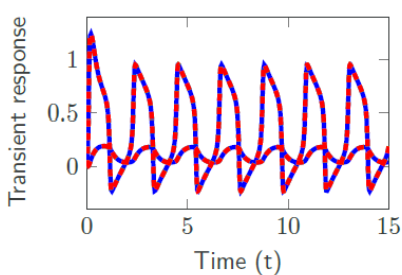
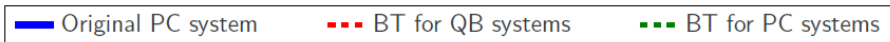
- Decay singular values for PC systems is faster \Rightarrow smaller reduced order model!



- Original PC system of order 600. Original QB system of order 900.
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- BT extended to bilinear, QB, and polynomial systems.
- Local Lyapunov stability is preserved.
- As of yet, only weak motivation by local bounds of energy functionals.
- No error bounds in terms of "Hankel" singular values.
- Computationally efficient (as compared to nonlinear balancing), and input independent.
- **To do:**
 - improve efficiency of Lyapunov solvers with many right-hand sides further;
 - error bound;
 - conditions for existence of new QB/PC Gramians;
 - extension to descriptor systems.

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