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# An Introduction to Systems: Signals & Controls

**Welcome!**

ELEC 3004: **Systems**: Signals & Controls  
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Lecture 1

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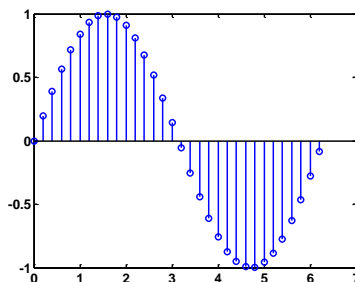


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## What's a Signal?

$\equiv$  *A set of data or information*



- Can be a function of in **space** and/or **time**
- Various types: electrical, economics, dating, etc.
- Data  $\rightarrow$  “information” is a process of understanding its structure/ forms:

$$\sin(\omega t)$$



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## What is a System?

≡ A **process** (function) by which information (signals) are modified so as to extract additional information from them

- Systems modify the signal(s) to yield a new result (also a signal)
- Can be of various forms: electrical, mechanical, etc.



## Systems Can Be Simpler Than You Think

- B747
  - level flight,
  - 40000 ft, 774 ft/sec ...



$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{u} \\ \dot{v} \\ \dot{q} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -.003 & .039 & 0 & -.322 \\ -.065 & -.319 & 7.74 & 0 \\ .020 & -.101 & -.429 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u - u_w \\ v - v_w \\ q \\ \theta \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} .01 & 1 \\ -.18 & -.04 \\ -1.16 & .598 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta_e \\ \delta_t \end{bmatrix}$$

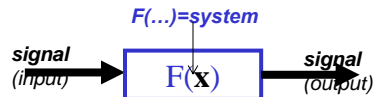
- u, w: horizontal/vertical velocity
- q,  $\theta$ : orientation & pitch rate
- $\delta_e$ ,  $\delta_t$ : elevator and thrust commands

Source: Boyd, Stanford EE263 Lecture 14 (Slide 14-4)



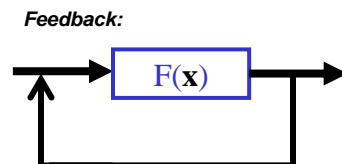
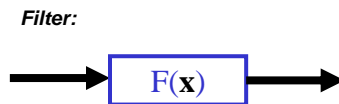
## Signals and Systems Together

- A **signal** can be seen as that which goes in and out of a **system**



## Signals and Systems Together

- A **signal** can be seen as that which goes in and out of a **system**
- Signal Processing / “Filters”** :  
can be seen as an open-loop system
- Feedback Control**:  
can be viewed as the case where the output signal **shapes** the input signal

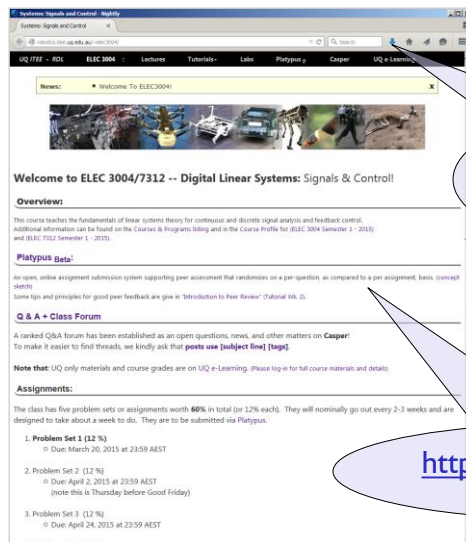


# Introducing ELEC3004/7312

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<http://elec3004.com>

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## Schedules and Locations:

- **Lectures:**
  - **Mondays from 2:05 -- 3:30 pm**
  - &**
  - **Thursdays from 2:05 -- 3:30 pm**
  - [Here!](#) 😊
- It starts at 2:05 – **Relax!**



## Schedules and Locations: **Tutorials**

- **Tutorials: EVEN Weeks (Starting on Week 2)** [~60 min]
  - Five parallel sessions -- **Please come to your assigned one.**
  - Alternate attendance is at tutor discretion and must be arranged in advance
- Sessions are:
  - **Monday 10:00a--11:00** in [Priestley \(67\)](#) - [342](#)
  - **Monday 4:00p--5:00** in [Priestley \(67\)](#) - [342](#)
  - **Tuesday 8:00a--9:00** in [Gordon Greenwood \(32\)](#) - [211](#)
  - **Tuesday 4:00p--5:00** in [Gordon Greenwood \(32\)](#) - [211](#)
  - **Thursday 8:00a--9:00** in [Michie Building \(9\)](#) - [211](#)
- ~ 1 hour (unless extra time is needed)



## Schedules and Locations: **Labs**

- **Prac / Lab Sessions: ODD Weeks (Starting Week **3**)**
  - Five parallel sessions -- **Please come to your assigned one.**
  - Alternate attendance is at tutor discretion and must be arranged in advance
- Sessions are:
  - **Monday 10:00a--12:00** in [Hawken](#) - [Room S202](#)
  - **Monday 4:00p--6:00** in [Hawken](#) - [Room S202](#)
  - **Tuesday 8:00a--10:00** in [Hawken](#) - [Room S202](#)
  - **Tuesday 4:00p--6:00** in [Hawken](#) - [Room S202](#)
  - **Thursday 8:00a--10:00** in [Hawken](#) - [Room S202](#)
- ~ 2 hours (unless less time is needed)



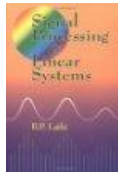
## Lecture Schedule:

Week	Date	Lecture Title
<b>1</b>	<b>29-Feb</b>	<b>Introduction</b>
	3-Mar	Systems Overview
2	9-Mar	Systems as Maps & Signals as Vectors
	10-Mar	Data Acquisition & Sampling
3	16-Mar	Sampling Theory
	17-Mar	Antialiasing Filters
4	23-Mar	Discrete System Analysis
	24-Mar	Convolution Review
0	30-Mar	Holiday & Holiday
	31-Mar	Holiday
6	13-Apr	Digital Filters
	14-Apr	Digital Filters
7	20-Apr	Digital Windows
	21-Apr	FFT
8	27-Apr	Discrete Systems Analysis
	28-Apr	Feedback
9	4-May	Introduction to Feedback Control
	5-May	Servoregulation/PID
10	11-May	Introduction to (Digital) Control
	12-May	Digital Control
11	18-May	Digital Control Design
	19-May	Stability
12	25-May	Digital Control Systems: Shaping the Dynamic Response & Estimation
	26-May	Applications in Industry
13	1-Jun	System Identification & Information Theory
	2-Jun	Summary and Course Review





## Reference Texts:



**B. P. Lathi**

*Signal processing and linear systems*  
1998

[TK5102.9.L38 1998](#)



G. Franklin, J. Powell, M. Workman,  
*Digital Control of Dynamic Systems*  
1990

[TJ216.F72 1990](#) and [\[UQ Ebook\]](#)



**João Hespanha**

*Linear Systems Theory*  
2009

[\[UQ Ebooks\]](#)

- **Yes!**

You may use the Internet!!

- Khan Academy
- Wikipedia
- YouTube
- & **Google Scholar Too!**

- This field is vast & there are countless references present



## The Point of the Course

- Introduction to terminology/semantics
- An appreciation of how to frame problems in a linear systems engineering context
- Modeling and learning assumptions/when to trust the model
- Ability to identify critical details from the problem

➔ It's a **shortcut** ...

Once you see that a system is **“linear”**

you can then apply the raft of

**“linear systems” tools**

(time & frequency analysis) to them

without having to do all the analysis from scratch



## Not the Point of the Course

- Get good grades
- Just do homework
- Memorize pointless facts
- Rote “learning” of material with no comprehension
- Ask yourself, is the wonder still there?



## Lots of Stuff To Cover...

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Systems</li> <li>• Signal Abstractions</li> <li>• Signals as Vectors / Systems as Maps</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discrete Time</li> <li>• Continuous Time</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Controllability and state transfer</li> <li>• Observability and state estimation</li> </ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Linear Systems and Their Properties</li> <li>• LTI Systems</li> <li>• Autonomous Linear Dynamical Systems</li> </ul>                                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laplace Transformation</li> <li>• Feedback and Control</li> <li>• Additional Applications</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• And that, of course,<br/><b>Linear Systems are Cool! ☺</b></li> </ul>                       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Convolution</li> <li>• FIR &amp; IIR Systems</li> <li>• Frequency domain</li> <li>• Fourier Transform (CT)</li> <li>• Fourier Transform (DT)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Linear Functions</li> <li>• Linear Algebra Review</li> <li>• Least Squares</li> <li>• Least Squares Problems</li> <li>• Least Squares Applications</li> <li>• Matrix Decomposition and Linear Algebra</li> <li>• Regularized Least Squares</li> </ul>                              |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Even and Odd Signals</li> <li>• Likelihood</li> <li>• Causality</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Least-squares</li> <li>• Least-squares applications</li> <li>• Orthonormal sets of vectors</li> <li>• Eigenvectors and diagonalization</li> <li>• Linear dynamical systems with inputs and outputs</li> <li>• Symmetric matrices, quadratic forms, matrix norm, and SVD</li> </ul> |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impulse Response</li> <li>• Root Locus</li> <li>• Bode Functions</li> </ul>   |   |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Left-hand Plane</li> <li>• Frequency Response</li> </ul>  |   |  |



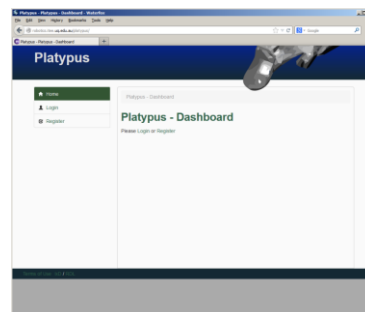
## Assessment

Assessment Task	Due Date	Weighting
Problem Set 1	24/03/2016 23:59	20%
Online Quiz	22/04/2016 23:59	EXTRA CREDIT
Problem Set 2	29/04/2016 23:59	20%
Problem Set 3	27/05/2016 23:59	20%
Final Examination	Examination Period	40%



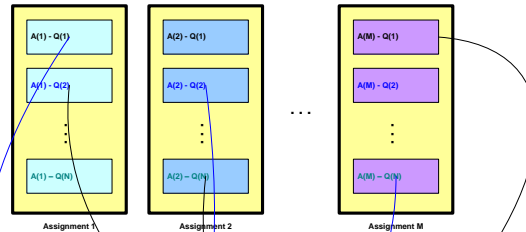
## Platypus: Peer-review for Deliberate Practice/Learning

- **Peer-Review**
  - A **key** part of Engineering is being able to critically evaluate peer work (and give **good** feedback on it)
  - We **will** help teach you good habits of peer feedback
- **Question** (not Assignment) based random shuffling

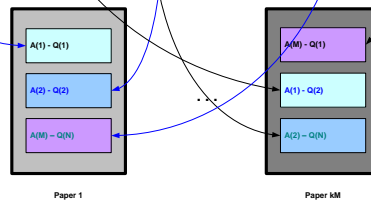


## Platypus: How does it work?

I. Collect Assignments (one per student)

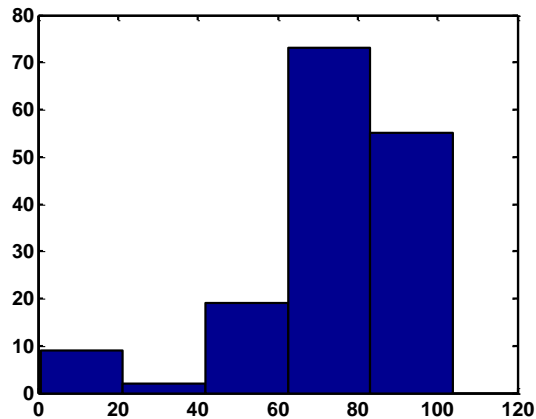


II. Randomly Shuffle Questions between assignments to create  $kM$  "Papers"  
(Where  $k$  is the peer review factor, or the number of papers a student needs to review, eg 3)




## Last Year's Grade Statistics


- ~ 45 % received  $>5$
- Worry about **learning**, not about marks




# GRADE INFLATION




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## Information: Size and Rate

A short novel	1 megabyte	1,000,000
All undergraduate textbooks	100 MB	100,000,000
An iPod	100 GB	80,000,000,000
A library floor of academic journals	100 GB	100,000,000,000
Print collections of Library of Congress	10 TB	10,000,000,000,000

Copying notes by hand	32 bits/second	32 bps
Speaking	230 bits/sec.	230 bps
Reading text	360 bits/sec	360 bps
Home internet connection	1-10 Mb/sec.	5,000,000 bps
Single optical fiber	40 Gb/sec.	40,000,000,000 bps

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# I need a “7” for a Job!

The New York Times | <http://nyti.ms/1jTJavh>

SUNDAY REVIEW | OP-ED COLUMNIST

## How to Get a Job at Google

FEB. 22, 2014



Thomas L. Friedman

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. — LAST June, in an interview with Adam Bryant of The Times, Laszlo Bock, the senior vice president of people operations for Google — i.e., the guy in charge of hiring for one of the world's most successful companies — noted that Google had determined that “G.P.A.’s are worthless as a criteria for hiring, and test scores are worthless. ... We found that they don't predict anything.” He also noted that the “proportion of people without any college education



## Changes from 2015

1. Three Assignments Instead of Five
2. Online Quiz (“Mid-Semester” Review/Recap)
3. Labs remain optional
  1. Concepts still overlap with class
  2. May be assessed on Assignments/Final Exam
4. No State-Space Control “crammed” in the end
5. I am still inspired by, but little less of,  
[Boyd’s EE263: Introduction to Linear Dynamical Systems](#)



## E-mail

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- Casper!
  - <https://casper.ceit.uq.edu.au/courses/elec3004/>
- [That's it!]
- {Not the instructors/tutors personally}



## Communications: Help Us Help You!

- **Think carefully before using email**
- Please keep communication concise and polite
- Let me know if there are problems
  - During tutorials, before and after lectures
  - Tutors/student reps
  - **Office Hours: 4-6pm Thursday**



## What I expect from you

- Lectures:
  - Participate - ask questions
  - Turn up (we're adults – no attendance marks)
  - Take an interest in the material being presented
  - Assignments to be submitted on time please
- Tutorials:
  - Work on questions before tutorials
  - Use tutorials to clarify and enhance
- Labs:
  - Work on pre-lab before laboratory
  - Focus on understanding (as well as data capture)

Source: O'Brien, *Ruthless Compassion*



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## Some Philosophy

- Let's start with Why ...
- To learn something is to teach it
  - The function of a teaching is not so much to cover the topics, but more to discover them
- It is actually **more** work for us!
  - We have to teach you how to reflect  
& then assess this as well as how to do the assignment
- It helps you understand it by giving you a different perspective
- We're a community
  - You (alone) can't do everything ... that's why we work together
  - The notion of "free speech" → Trust emerges → efficiency ( $\eta$ )

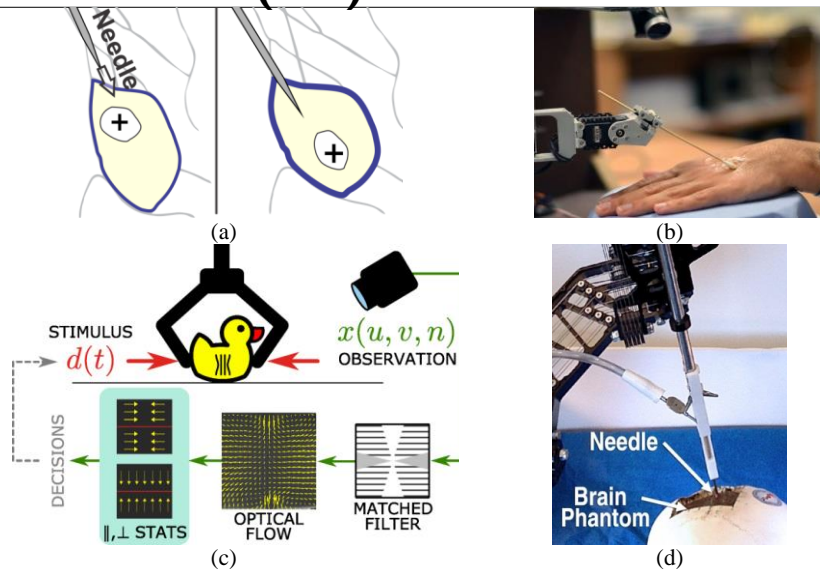


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## About Me: What (Else) I Do



(a) Lesion targeting (b) DermBot (c) Visual Deformable Object Analysis (d) Neurosurgical Robotics



