

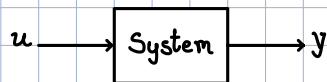
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Modeling

Basic Intro:

We want to learn how to mathematically represent dynamic systems. The underlying concepts will be dealt with in detail in Mechanics III.

Initially we can think of a system as a black box that takes some input u and produces some output y .



Now we want to write down equations that express the output as a function of the input, and some internal parameters. Typically, we describe the system as a system of ordinary differential equations.

In our case we usually look at the change of some storage quantity over time as a function of the flow of some other quantity.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \text{storage} = \sum \text{inflow} - \sum \text{outflow}$$

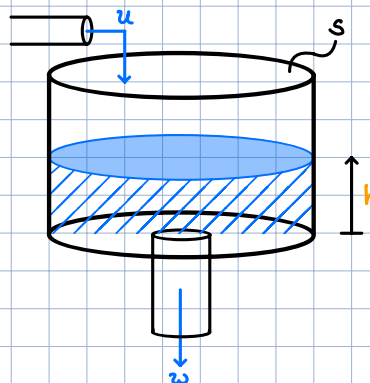
Example: Water tank

u : incoming flow $[\frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}]$

w : outgoing flow $[\frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}]$

h : water level $[\text{m}]$ (State)

S : cross-sectional area $[\text{m}^2]$



Here the output y is just the water level h . We can now model the system as follows:

$$S \frac{d}{dt} h(t) = u(t) - w(t)$$

$$y(t) = h(t)$$

In this system $h(t)$ summarizes everything that happened before some time t . It is called the state of the system. States are usually indicated with the letter x .