

Lecture 7:
***Feedback Control of an
Inverted Pendulum***

COSMOS - Making Robots and
Making Robots *Intelligent*



Engineering Equilibrium = Choice of Feedback

Model of Pendulum:

$$ml^2 \frac{d^2\theta(t)}{dt^2} = mgl [u(t) - \sin(\theta(t))]$$

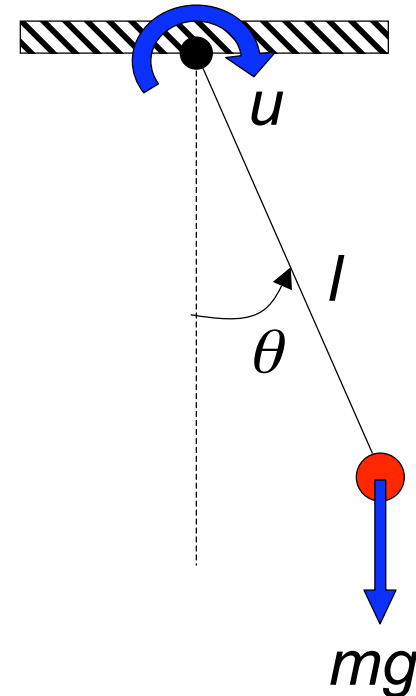
Discrete time approximation:

$$\theta_{k+1} = 2\theta_k - \theta_{k-1} + \frac{g\Delta^2}{l} [u_k - \sin(\theta_k)]$$

Equilibrium / Fixed Points:

$$\theta_{\text{eq}} = 0, \pm\pi, \pm2\pi, \dots$$

Next Step is Using Torque Control u to make the *Inverted* position Stable! ... Anyone think we can do that ?



Next Step: Robobrain Control Design

States: (x, y, θ) - position and orientation

Inputs (Controls): (u, v) - forward and turning velocity

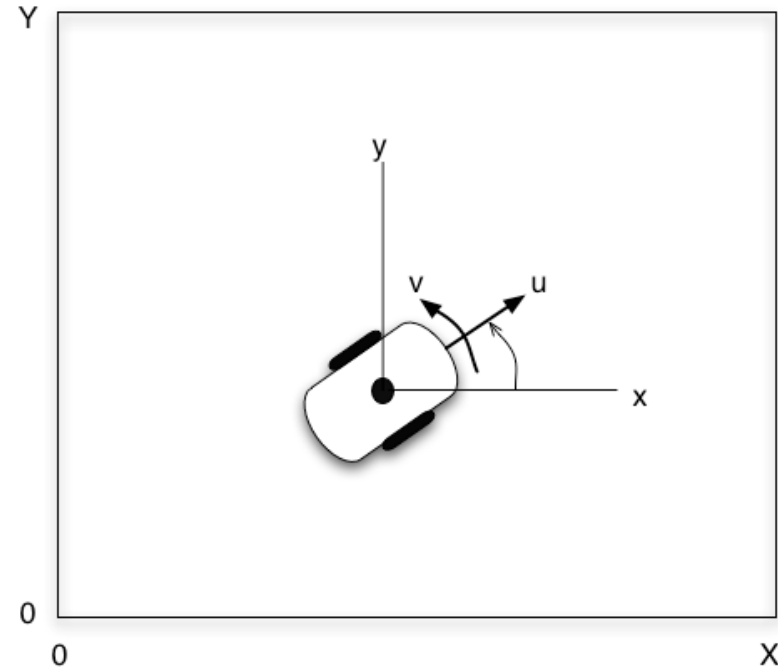
Dynamics:

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + \Delta u_k \cos(\theta_k)$$

$$y_{k+1} = y_k + \Delta u_k \sin(\theta_k)$$

$$\theta_{k+1} = \theta_k + \Delta v_k$$

Preview:
$$v_k = k_p (x_k - d_{\text{sep}}) + k_d \frac{x_k - x_{k-1}}{\Delta}$$



Objective

- Examining the dynamics for a pendulum model (fixed points and stability).
- Stabilizing an *engineered* fixed-point/equilibrium of the pendulum - the upright or inverted position.
- Will need these techniques for ***Robobrain!***