

# Modeling Physics with Differential-Algebraic Equations

## Lecture 2

### *Structural Analysis: Index Reduction*

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## ① Ordinary Differential Equations:

- Cauchy-Lipschitz theorem: existence and uniqueness of solutions
- Liouville theorem: no closed form solutions in general
- Numerical integration: convergence and stability
- Qualitative analysis: invariant regions

## ② Differential-Algebraic Equations

- Informal Introduction
- Examples
- Different Forms

- ① Matching Problem
- ② BLT Decomposition
- ③ Pantelides Algorithm

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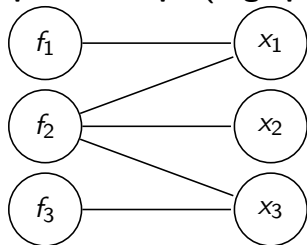
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**Bipartite Graph (Bigraph)**



## Bipartite graph $(F, V, E)$

- $F$ : set of equations
- $V$ : set of variables (disjoint with  $F$ )
- $E$ : subset of the cartesian product  $F \times V$

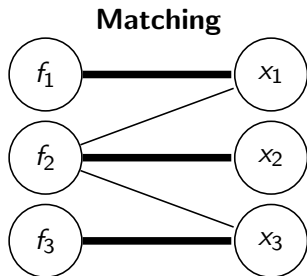
Example: a triangle is **not** a bipartite graph.

## Matching Problem

Given a bipartite graph  $(F, V, E)$ , assign one and only one equation  $f \in F$  to each variable  $v \in V$  such that  $(f, v) \in E$ .

## Algorithm

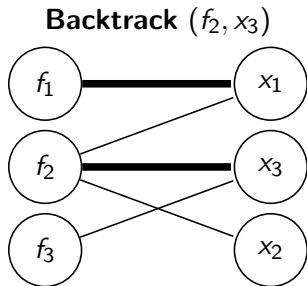
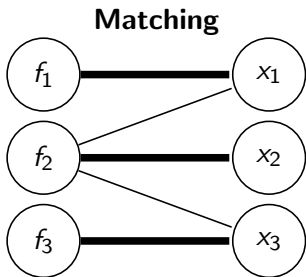
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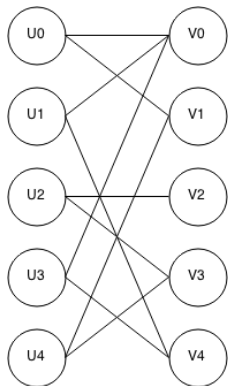
• For systems of  $n$  variables and  $n$  equations: (1) compute  $\nu(G)$ , (2) check if  $\nu(G) = n$ .

- Input: bipartite graph  $(U, V, E)$
- Output: maximum cardinality matching
- Complexity: (worst case)  $O(|E|\sqrt{|V|})$

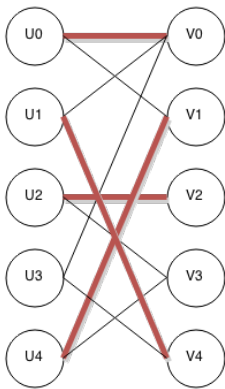
## Augmented Shortest Path

At each phase:

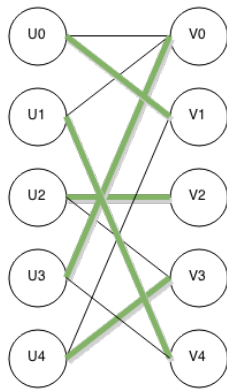
- BFS: alternate between  $U$  and  $V$  where one starts from an unmatched variable in  $U$  and reaches an unmatched variable in  $V$  while following a matched edge from  $V$  to  $U$  (this gives an augmented shortest path).
- DFS: selects one shortest path out of the many selected ones by the BFS.
- update the matching set



Input Graph

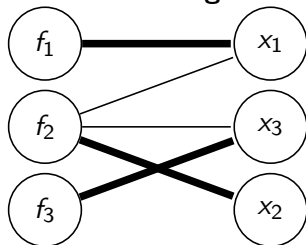


After BFS  
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After BFS  
Iteration 2

## Matching



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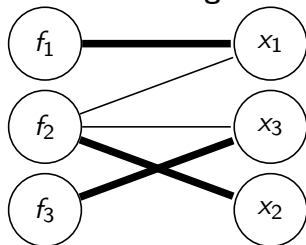
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✦ Very useful prior to decomposing the matrix using Gaussian elimination.

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# Block-Lower-Triangular (BLT) Form

Goal: Given a square matrix  $M$  ( $m_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$ ), find a permutation to put  $M$  in a block lower triangular form.

$$\begin{array}{c} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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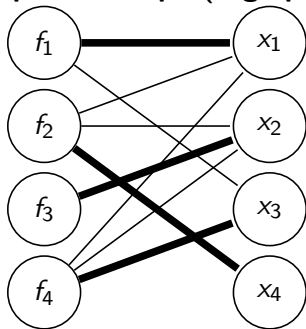
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## Three main steps

- 1 Find a (perfect) matching
- 2 Construct a *dependency graph*
- 3 Find *strongly connected components* (Tarjan's algorithm)

Bipartite Graph (Bigraph)



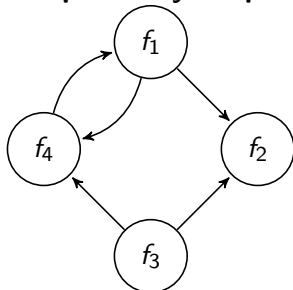
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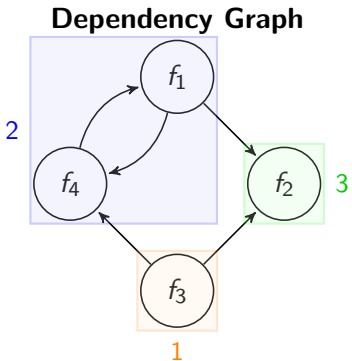
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### Dependency Graph



# BLT Decomposition: Example

Strongly Connected Components



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## Tarjan's Algorithm (1972)

- One depth-first search (vs. 2 for Kosaraju's algorithm (1978))
- Simple and elegant data structure
- Complexity:  $O(|V| + |E|)$

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## General Form

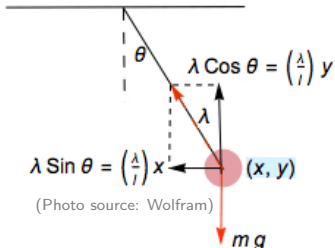
$$F(x, \dot{x}, y, t) = 0$$

- state variables:  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- algebraic variables:  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$
- $F : G \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m+n}$

## Index

The index of an DAE is the minimum number of times that all or part of the DAE must be differentiated with respect to time ( $t$ ) in order to determine  $\dot{x}$  as a continuous function of  $x$  and  $t$ .

(Brenan, Campbell 1996)

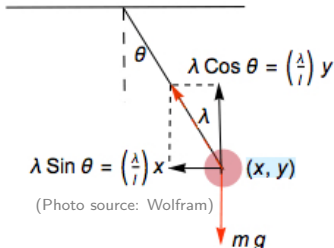


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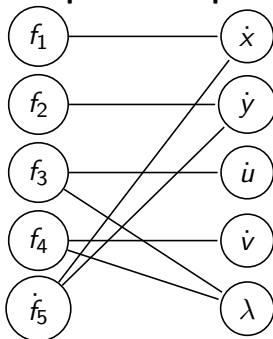
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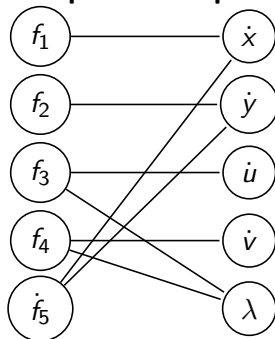
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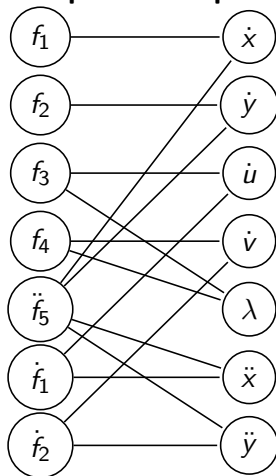


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Matching Successful!

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## Implicit Function Theorem

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## Relation to the BLT Decomposition

The Jacobian  $J = \frac{\partial F}{\partial Y}$  is structurally nonsingular if and only if  $G_F$  (the incidence graph related to  $F$ ) can be decomposed in a BLT form.

Pantelides algorithm (1988) attempts to decompose the function  $F$  of a given DAE into a BLT form by exhibiting latent equations.

- First structural analysis of DAE
- Not guaranteed to terminate
- Applies only to first-order systems
- May overestimate the differential index
- Other methods: Signature ( $\Sigma$ ) method, J. D. Pryce (2001)

## Index Reduction

- Given a DAE  $F(x, \dot{x}, t)$ , we have seen how to perform a structural analysis to numerically compute  $\dot{x}$  function of  $x$ . The structural nonsingularity ensures that, generically, one can perform the computation following the block order suggested by the BLT decomposition. Thus, one is able to compute the numerical values of the derivatives given a consistent state of the system and carry on with a standard numerical integration.
- Note: the **structural index** is not always equal to the **differentiation index** (see the first reference below for concrete examples).



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