

- use spatially-invariant theory to answer some of the questions that arise in these problems.
- These systems can be thought as spatio-temporal systems, where signals depend on time and discrete spatial variable 'v'.
- Coupling between subsystems can come either from mathematical modeling or from distributed control at the level of control objective.
- optimal control of finite platoons

$$J = \int_0^{\infty} ( p^T(t) Q_p p(t) + q_v v^T(t) v(t) + r u^T(t) u(t) ) dt$$

↑ (if lead fict. veh. is removed)

$$Q_p = \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{2} & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & \textcircled{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

↑ (if follow fict. veh. is removed)

↳ when lead & follow fictitious vehicles are added to formation.

If both lead & follow fictitious vehicles are removed  $Q_p$  becomes singular.

• infinite platoons

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{p}_n \\ \dot{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_n \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u_n ; \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\mathcal{J} = \int_0^\infty \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( (p_n(t) - p_{n-1}(t))^2 + v_n^2(t) + u_n^2(t) \right) dt$$

↓ spatial  $\mathcal{Z}_\theta$ -transform

$$A_\theta = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q_\theta = \begin{bmatrix} 2(1 - \cos \theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

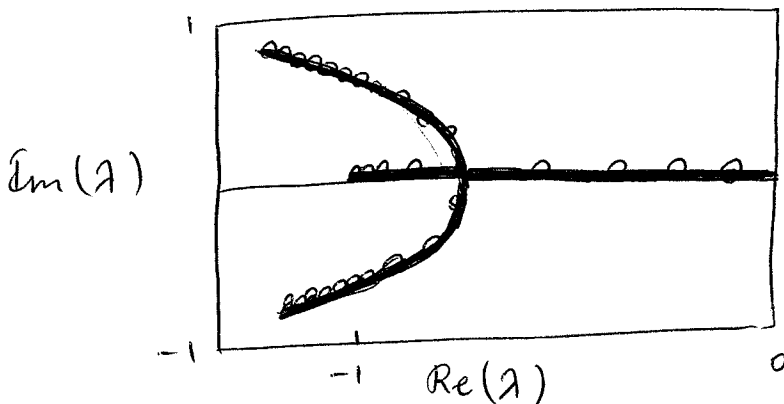
• The coupling comes from the performance index.

☒ if  $\theta = 0$ ,  $Q_p = 2(1 - \cos \theta) = 0$   
 meaning that the pair  $(A_\theta, Q_\theta)$  is not detectable.

☒ fix: penalize global position errors:

$$Q_p = q + 2(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$q = 0 \Rightarrow$  many modes have slow rate of convergence.



thick solid line  
 infinite platoons  
 symbols  $\rightarrow$  finite platoons

$Q_p$  is symmetric - Toeplitz matrix

$$Q_p = V \Lambda V^* ; \quad V V^* = I$$

$$q_p(\theta) = 2(1 - \cos \theta)$$

