Feedback Control system



Figure 15.1 Unity feedback

Advantages of Feedback in Control

Compared to open-loop control, feedback can be used to:

- Reduce the sensitivity of a system's transfer function to parameter changes
- Reduce steady-state error in response to disturbances,
- Reduce steady-state error in tracking a reference response (& speed up the transient response)
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Disadvantages of Feedback in Control

Compared to open-loop control,

- Feedback requires a sensor that can be very expensive and may introduce additional noise
- Feedback systems are often *more difficult to* design and operate than open-loop systems
- Feedback changes the dynamic response (faster) but often makes the system *less stable*.

Unit step response of a 2nd order under-damped system



Transient Response vs Simple Pole Locations



Controlled system



Figure 15.15 Control system

Control Modes

- There are a number of ways by which a control unit can be react to an error signal and supply an output for correcting elements:
- 1- two step mode: the controller is an ON-OFF correcting signal
- 2- The proportional Mode: the controller produce a control action proportional to the error.
- 3: the derivative mode D: the controller produces a control action proportional to the rate at which the error is changing. When there is a sudden change in the error signal, the controller gives alarge correcting signal, when there is a gradual change only a small correcting signal is produces. Normally used in conjunction with proportional control

Control Modes

- 4- The integral mode: the control action proportional to the integral of the error thus a constant error signal e=constant produces an increasing correcting signal
- 5- Combination of Modes PD, PI, PID
- A controller can achieve these modes by means of pneumatic circuit, analogue electronic circuits involving opamp or by the programming of a microprocessor or computer system

Two step mode

An example of two step mode of control id the bimetallic thermostat that might be used with a simple temperature control system.



Figure 15.2 Two-step control

Two step mode

• Consequences:

- To avoid continuous switching ON and OFF on respond to slight change, two values are normally used, a dead band is used for the values between the ON and OFF values
- Large dead band implies large temp. fluctuations
- Small dead band increase switching frequency



Two step mode

•The bimetallic element has permanent magnet for a switch contact, this has the effect of producing a dead band.

Fast ON-OFF control can be used for motor control using controlled switching elements (IGBT, BJT, MOSFET, Thyrester)



Proportional Mode

- With the two step method of control, the controller output is either ON or OFF signal, regardless of the magnitude of error.
- With proportional control mode, the size of the controller output is proportional to the size of the error. The bigger the error the bigger the output from the controller
- Controller output $u(t) = K_p e$
- Or in s domain $U(s)=K_pE(s)$

Electronic Proportional Mode

A summing opamp with an inverter can be used as proportional controller

The output from the summing amplifier is



Figure 15.3 **Proportional controller**

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Electronic Proportional Mode

The input to the summing amplifier through R_2 is the zero error voltage value V_0 , i.e. the set value, and the input through R_1 is the error signal V_e . But when the feedback resistor $R_f = R_2$, then the equation becomes

$$V_{\rm out} = -\frac{R_2}{R_1} V_{\rm e} - V_0$$

If the output from the summing amplifier is then passed through an inverter, i.e. an operational amplifier with a feedback resistance equal to the input resistance, then



Electronic Proportional Mode

where K_P is the proportionality constant. The result is a proportional controller.

As an illustration, Figure 15.4 shows an example of a proportional control system for the control of the temperature of a liquid in a container as liquid is pumped through it.



Figure 15.4 Proportional controller for temperature control

System response to proportional control With proportional control we have a gain element with transfer function K_P

in series with the forward-path element G(s) (Figure 15.5). The error is thus



and so, for a step input, the steady-state error is

$$e_{\rm SS} = \lim_{s \to 0} sE(s) = \lim_{s \to 0} \left[s \frac{1}{1 + 1/K_{\rm P}G(s)} \frac{1}{s} \right]$$

This will have a finite value and so there is always a steady-state error. Low values of K_P give large steady-state errors but stable responses. High values of K_P give smaller steady-state errors but a greater tendency to instability.

Derivative control mode

controller output = $K_{\rm D} \frac{{\rm d}e}{{\rm d}t}$

controller output $(s) = K_{D}sE(s)$

As soon as the error signal begins to change, there can be quite a large controller output, thus rapid initial response to error signal occur

In Figure the controller output is constant is constant because the rate of change is constant.



Derivative control mode

- They do not response to steady- state error signal, that is why always combined with Pcontroller
- P responds to all error
- D responds to rate of change
- Derivative action can also be a problem if the measurement of the process variable gives a noisy signal, the rapid fluctuations of the noise resulting in outputs which will be seen by the controller as rapid changes in error and so give rise to significant outputs from the controller.

Derivative control mode

The Figure shows the form of an electronic derivative controller circuit, it composed of two operational amplifier: integrator + Inverter



Figure 15.7 Derivative controller

PD controller

With proportional plus derivative control the controller output is given by

controller output =
$$K_{\rm P}e + K_{\rm D}\frac{{\rm d}e}{{\rm d}t}$$

 $K_{\rm P}$ is the proportionality constant and $K_{\rm D}$ the derivative constant, de/dt is the rate of change of error. The system has a transfer function given by

controller output $(s) = K_{\rm P}E(s) + K_{\rm D}sE(s)$

Hence the transfer function is $K_{\rm P} + K_{\rm D}s$. This is often written as

transfer function =
$$K_{\rm D} \left(s + \frac{1}{T_{\rm D}} \right)$$

where $T_{\rm D} = K_{\rm D}/K_{\rm P}$ and is called the derivative time constant.

PD controller

Figure 15.8 shows how the controller output can vary when there is a constantly changing error. There is an initial quick change in controller output

due to the derivative followed by the gradual change due to proportional action.

This form of control thus deal with fast process changes



Figure 15.8 PD control

Integral control

The integral mode of control is one where the rate of change of the control output *I* is proportional to the input error signal *e*:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}I}{\mathrm{d}t} = K_{\mathrm{I}}e$$

 $K_{\rm I}$ is the constant of proportionality and has units of 1/s. Integrating the above equation gives

$$\int_{I_0}^{I_{out}} dI = \int_0^t K_{I}e \, dt$$
$$I_{out} - I_0 = \int_0^t K_{I}e \, dt$$

$$(I_{\text{out}} - I_0)(s) = \frac{1}{s} K_{\text{I}} E(s)$$

and so

transfer function
$$= \frac{1}{s}K_{\rm I}$$

 I_0 is the controller output at zero time, I_{out} is the output at time t.

Integral control

Figure shows the action of an integral controller when there is a constant error input to the controller

When the controller output is constant, the error is zero; when controller output is varies at a constant rate, the error has a constant value.



Figure 15.9 Integral control

Integral control

The integrator is connected to the error signal at time t, while the second integrator is connected to the error at t=0- i.e. (t-Ts)



Figure 15.10 Electronic Integral controller

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Pl control

The integral mode of control is not usually used alone but is frequently used in conjunction with the proportional mode. When integral action is added to a proportional control system the controller output is given by

controller output =
$$K_{\rm P}e + K_{\rm I} \int e \, \mathrm{d}t$$

where K_P is the proportional control constant, K_I the integral control constant and *e* the error *e*. The transfer function is thus

transfer function =
$$K_{\rm P} + \frac{K_{\rm I}}{s} = \frac{K_{\rm P}}{s} \left(s + \frac{1}{T_{\rm I}}\right)$$

where $T_{I} = K_{P}/K_{I}$ and is the integral time constant.

Figure 15.11(a) shows how the system reacts when there is an abrupt change to a constant error. The error gives rise to a proportional controller



PI control

Figure 15.11 Pl control

PID Controller

Combining all three modes of control (proportional, integral and derivative) gives a controller known as a **three-mode controller** or **PID controller**. The equation describing its action can be written as

controller output =
$$K_{\rm P}e + K_{\rm I}\int e\,\mathrm{d}t + K_{\rm D}\frac{\mathrm{d}e}{\mathrm{d}t}$$

where K_P is the proportionality constant, K_I the integral constant and K_D the derivative constant. Taking the Laplace transform gives

controller output (s) =
$$K_{\rm P}E(s) + \frac{1}{s}K_{\rm I}E(s) + sK_{\rm D}(s)$$

and so

transfer function =
$$K_{\rm P}e + \frac{1}{s}K_{\rm I} + sK_{\rm D} = K_{\rm P}\left(1 + \frac{1}{T_{\rm I}s} + T_{\rm D}s\right)$$

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A three-mode controller can be produced by combining the various circuits described earlier in this chapter for the separate proportional, derivative and integral modes. A more practical controller can, however, be produced with a single operational amplifier. Figure 15.12 shows one such circuit. The proportional constant $K_{\rm P}$ is $R_{\rm I}/(R + R_{\rm D})$, the derivative constant $K_{\rm D}$ is $R_{\rm D}C_{\rm D}$ and the integral constant $K_{\rm I}$ is $1/R_{\rm I}C_{\rm I}$.



PID & Closed-loop Response

	Rise time	Maximum	Settling	Steady-
		overshoot	time	state error
Р	Decrease	Increase	Small	Decrease
			change	
I	Decrease	Increase	Increase	Eliminate
D	Small	Decrease	Decrease	Small
	change			change

 Note that these correlations may not be exactly accurate, because P, I and D gains are dependent of each other.

PID Response



- Increasing the proportional feedback gain reduces steady-state errors, but high gains almost always destabilize the system.
- Integral control provides robust reduction in steady-state errors, but often makes the system less stable.
- Derivative control usually increases damping and improves stability, but has almost no effect on the steady state error
- These 3 kinds of control combined from the classical PID controller

Digital closed-loop control system



A digital controller basically operates through the following cycle

- 1- samples the measured value
- 2- compares it with the set value and establishes the error
- 3- carries out calculation based on the error value and store values of previous inputs and outputs to obtain the output signal
- 4- sends the output signal to the DAC.
- 5- Waits until the next samples time before repeating the cycle.

Digital PID Controller

The transfer function for a PID analogue controller is

transfer function =
$$K_{\rm P} + \frac{1}{s}K_{\rm I} + sK_{\rm D}$$

 $x_n = K_{\rm P}e_n + K_{\rm I}\left(\frac{(e_n + e_{n-1})T_{\rm s}}{2} + \operatorname{Int}_{\rm prev}\right) + K_{\rm D}\frac{e_n - e_{n-1}}{T_{\rm s}}$

We can rearrange this equation to give

$$x_n = Ae_n + Be_{n-1} + C(Int_{prev})$$

where $A = K_{\rm P} + 0.5K_{\rm I}T_{\rm s} + K_{\rm D}/T_{\rm s}$, $B = 0.5K_{\rm I}T_{\rm s} - K_{\rm D}/T_{\rm s}$ and $C = K_{\rm I}$. The program for PID control thus becomes:

1 Set the values of $K_{\rm P}$, $K_{\rm I}$ and $K_{\rm D}$.

2 Set the initial values of e_{n-1} , Int_{prev} and the sample time T_s .

- 3 Reset the sample interval timer.
- 4 Input the error e_n .
- 5 Calculate y_n using the above equation.
- 6 Update, ready for the next calculation, the value of the previous area to $Int_{prev} + 0.5(e_n + e_{n-1})T_s$.
- 7 Update, ready for the next calculation, the value of the error by setting e_{n-1} equal to e_n .
- 8 Wait for the sampling interval to elapse.
- 9 Go to step 3 and repeat the loop.





Figure 15.18 System with velocity feedback: (a) descriptive diagram of the system, (b) block diagram of the system

- Permanent magnet DC Motor are widely used in servo systems.
- Figure: Schematic diagram of rotating table actuated by permanent magnet motor



• The angular displacement of the positioning table = the output equation $y(t) = k - \theta$

$$y(t) = k_{gear} \theta_r$$

- To control the motor angular velocity w_r , as well as angular displacement θ_r , and rotating table $k_{gear} \theta_r$, one regulates the armature voltage applied to the motor winding u_a .
- To guarantee the stability, to attain the desired accuracy, to ensure tracking and disturbance attenuation of the servo system, one should design the control algorithm, and the coefficient of PID controller must be found.
- Find the transfer function. Obtained using differential equations that describe the system dynamics.
- Induced emf : $E_a = k_a \omega_r$

- k_a : Back emf constant

• Using KVL:

$$\frac{di}{dt} = -\frac{r_a}{L_a}i_a - \frac{k_a}{L_a}\omega_r + \frac{1}{L_a}u_a$$

- Applied Newtonian mechanics to find the differential equations for mechanical systems.
- mechanical systems. Using Newton's second law: $\sum \vec{T} = J\vec{\alpha} = J\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt}$ J: equivalent moment of inertia

Electromagnetic torque developed by permanent magnet DC motor: •

$$= k_a i_a$$

 k_a : Torque constant = Back emf constant

- Viscous torque : $T_{viscous} = B_m \omega_r$
- Load torque : T₁

• Using Newton's second law :

$$\frac{d\omega_r}{dt} = \frac{1}{J} \left(T_e - T_{viscous} - T_L \right) = \frac{1}{J} \left(k_a i_a - B_m \omega_r - T_L \right)$$

Dynamics of rotor angular displacement :

$$\frac{d\theta_r}{dt}\omega_r$$

• The derived three first order differential equations are rewritten in the s-domain

$$\left(s + \frac{r_a}{L_a}\right)i_a(s) = -\frac{k_a}{L_a}\omega_r(s) + \frac{1}{L_a}u_a(s)$$
$$\left(s + \frac{B_m}{J}\right)\omega_r(s) = \frac{1}{J}k_ai_a(s) - \frac{1}{J}T_L(s)$$

$$s\theta_r(s) = \omega_r(s)$$

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• Block diagram of closed loop the permanent magnet DC motor :



- The controller should be designed, and the output equation: $y(t) = k_{gear}\theta_r$
- Using this output equation, as well as $s\theta_r = \omega_r(s)$
- Block diagram of open loop servo actuated by permanent magnet DC motor :



• Using the linear PID controller:

$$u_a(t) = k_p e(t) + \frac{k_i}{s} e(t) + k_d s e(t)$$

• Block diagram of closed loop servo actuated by permanent magnet DC motor with the linear PID controller :



TUNING THE PID CONTROLLER

Ziegler-Nichols Tuning Rules

- 1. SET KP. Starting with KP=0, KI=0 and KD=0, increase KP until the output starts overshooting and ringing significantly.
- 2. SET KD. Increase KD until the overshoot is reduced to an acceptable level.
- 3. SET KI. Increase KI until the final error is equal to zero.



Output (angular displacement), $y = 0.05\theta_r$ [rad]



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Figure 15.20 Self-tuning



Figure 15.21 Model-referenced control