MMME2046 Dynamics: Control Lecture 4

Position Control Systems (case studies in 1st & 2nd order systems)

Lecture Objectives:

- Introduce the differences between 1st and 2nd order systems
- Analyse steady-state responses under step and ramp inputs
- Analyse transient behaviour through the roots of the characteristic equations

Recap: Hydraulic Position Control System



It was shown that the transfer function is given by

$$G(s) = \frac{X_{o}(s)}{X_{i}(s)} = \frac{\mu}{1+Ts}$$
 1st order system

with the **block diagram**



Hydraulic Position Control System: Equations for the Model

Spool Valve

in the time domain
$$q = Ky$$

transfer function $\frac{Q(s)}{Y(s)} = K$ (1)

Ram Piston

in the time domain

transfer function

 $A \frac{dx_{o}}{dt} = q$ $\frac{X_{o}(s)}{Q(s)} = \frac{1}{As}$ (2)

Feedback Link

in the time domain
$$y = \frac{b}{a+b}x_{i} - \frac{a}{a+b}x_{o}$$

transfer function
$$Y(s) = \frac{b}{a+b}X_{i}(s) - \frac{a}{a+b}X_{o}(s)$$
(3)

Hydraulic Position Control System: Overall Transfer Function



From the block diagram

$$X_{o}(s) = \left[X_{i}(s)\frac{b}{a+b} - X_{o}(s)\frac{a}{a+b}\right]\frac{K}{As}$$

rearranging

$$\left[1 + \frac{A(a+b)s}{Ka}\right] X_{o}(s) = \frac{b}{a} X_{i}(s)$$
$$\frac{X_{o}(s)}{X_{i}(s)} = \frac{\mu}{1+Ts}$$
(4)

First order system with time constant *T* and gain μ

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Hydraulic Position Control System: Control System Model





ii) Ramp Input

$$\begin{array}{ll} t < 0 & x_i(t) = 0 \\ t \ge 0 & x_i(t) = \overline{V_i}t \end{array}$$





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Recap: The Final Value Theorem

The final value theorem:

$$x_{ss} = \lim_{t \to \infty} x_o(t) = \lim_{s \to 0} sX_o(s)$$
(9)

Gives the steady-state response of a system.

Some provisos:

Steady state implies that we have a finite end value:



Which of these can we use the finite value theorem on? a(t)? b(t)? c(t)? d(t)?

nlies that we have

Hydraulic Position Control System: The Final Value Theorem

The final value theorem gives the steady-state response

$$x_{ss} = \lim_{t \to \infty} x_o(t) = \lim_{s \to 0} sX_o(s)$$
(9)

$$x_{\rm ss} = \lim_{s \to 0} s \frac{\mu \overline{X}_{\rm i}}{s(1+Ts)} = \mu \overline{X}_{\rm i}$$
(10)

The steady-state error from the final value theorem

$$E(s) = X_{i}(s) - X_{o}(s)$$

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \to 0} s \frac{(1 + Ts - \mu)}{(1 + Ts)} \frac{\bar{X}_{i}}{s} = \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{(1 + Ts - \mu)}{(1 + Ts)} \bar{X}_{i} = (1 - \mu) \bar{X}_{i}$$
(13)

Exercise: Show that if the error is defined as

$$e_{\rm new} = \mu x_{\rm i} - x_{\rm o}$$

the steady-state error is zero

$$e_{\text{new}_\text{ss}} = 0$$

Hydraulic Position Control System: Transient Response



characteristic equation Set denominator =0 $P(s) = s + \frac{1}{T} = 0$ with one real root $s = -\frac{1}{T}$

The **roots of the C.E.** in the **s-plane** govern stability and transient behaviour



ii) ramp Input



$$\begin{array}{ll} t < 0 & x_{i}(t) = 0 \\ t \ge 0 & x_{i}(t) = Vt \end{array}$$

From the table of L.T.

$$X_{\rm i}(s) = \frac{V}{s^2} \tag{14}$$

The output in s-domain
$$X_o(s) = \frac{\mu V}{s^2(1+Ts)}$$
 (15)

In the time domain
$$x_{o}(t) = \mu V t - \mu V T \left(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}}\right)$$



(16)

Simulink model



Other types of Steady State Error



Hydraulic Position Control System: S.-S. Error under Ramp Input

After a "large" time interval (t > 4T) $e^{-t/T} \rightarrow 0$

$$x_{\rm ss}(t) = \mu V(t-T)$$

Define the error as

$$E(s) = \mu X_i(s) - X_o(s)$$

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \to 0} s \left(\mu - \frac{\mu}{1 + Ts} \right) \quad X_i(s) = \lim_{s \to 0} s \left(\frac{\mu sT}{1 + Ts} \right) \quad X_i(s)$$
$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \to 0} s \frac{\mu sT}{(1 + Ts)} \frac{V}{s^2} = \mu VT$$

non-zero finite steady-state error called "velocity lag"

Example: Electro-Mechanical Position Control System



It will be shown that the transfer functions may be written as

$$\frac{X(s)}{X_i(s)} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\gamma\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

$$\frac{X(s)}{F_R(s)} = \frac{-1}{M(s^2 + 2\gamma\omega_n s + \omega_n^2)}$$
2nd order

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sn8DqDGwazs

system

E.-M. Position Control System: Equations for the Model

- i) **Position Transducer** output $V_x = K_4 x$ K_4 is constant error voltage $V_e = V_i - V_x = V_i - K_4 x$
- ii) **Servo-Amplifier** develops current (K_1 is another constant)

$$i_f = K_1 V_e = K_1 (V_i - K_4 x)$$

iii) **DC Servo-Motor** develops torque (K_2 is motor constant)

$$l_m = K_2 i_f = K_2 K_1 (V_i - K_4 x)$$

iv) At Lead Screw the torque is converted into a force on the load mass

 $f_m = K_3 l_m = K_3 K_2 K_1 (V_i - K_4 x) \qquad K_3 = 2\pi/(\text{pitch of leadscrew})$

- Laplace domain $F_m(s) = K_1 K_2 K_3 (V_i(s) K_4 X(s))$ (1)
- v) For the Load Mass assuming viscous damping

$$M\ddot{x} + C\dot{x} = f_m - f_R$$

Laplace domain
$$X(s) = \frac{F_m(s) - F_R(s)}{Ms^2 + Cs}$$
 (2)

E.-M. Position Control System: Block Diagrams



with $K = K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4$ $X(s) = ([X_1(s) - X(s)]K - F_R(s)) \frac{1}{Ms^2 + Cs}$

E-.M. Position Control System: Overall Transfer Function

Rearranging
$$[Ms^{2} + Cs + K]X(s) = KX_{i}(s) - F_{R}(s)$$
(3)

Preferred form

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$$[s^{2} + 2\gamma\omega_{n}s + \omega_{n}^{2}]X(s) = \omega_{n}^{2}X_{i}(s) - \frac{F_{R}(s)}{M}$$

$$\frac{C}{M} = 2\gamma\omega_{n} \quad \text{and} \quad \omega_{n}^{2} = \frac{K}{M}$$

$$X(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2 X_i(s)}{s^2 + 2\gamma \omega_n s + \omega_n^2} - \frac{F_R(s)}{M(s^2 + 2\gamma \omega_n s + \omega_n^2)}$$

with

Transfer function

$$\frac{X(s)}{X_{i}(s)} = \frac{\omega_{n}^{2}}{s^{2} + 2\gamma\omega_{n}s + \omega_{n}^{2}}$$
(4)

E.-M. Position Control System under Standard Inputs

i) step Input



From the table of L.T. $X_i(s) = \frac{\overline{V}_i}{K_4 s} = \frac{\overline{X}_i}{s}$ (5)

The output in s-domain

$$X_{\rm o}(s) = \frac{\omega_{\rm n}^2 \bar{X}_{\rm i}}{s(s^2 + 2\gamma\omega_{\rm n}s + \omega_{\rm n}^2)} = \frac{\omega_{\rm n}^2 \bar{X}_{\rm i}}{s(s - p_1)(s - p_2)}$$
(6)

with the roots of the characteristic equation

$$s^2 + 2\gamma\omega_n s + \omega_n^2 = 0$$

 $p_1 = -\gamma \omega_n + \omega_n \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}$ $p_2 = -\gamma \omega_n - \omega_n \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}$

E.-M. Position Control System under Step Input

Assuming a *unit step input* and using partial fractions

$$X_{o}(s) = \frac{B}{s} + \frac{A_{1}}{s - p_{1}} + \frac{A_{2}}{s - p_{2}}$$

where (for $\gamma \neq 1$)

$$B = 1 \; ; \; A_1 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\gamma}{2\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} \; ; \; A_2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\gamma}{2\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}}$$

With the inverse Laplace transform, in the time domain

$$x_{o}(t) = B + A_{1}e^{p_{1}t} + A_{2}e^{p_{2}t}$$
(7)

This solution, valid for $\gamma \neq 1$, gives rise to two distinct types of transient response.

E.-M. Position Control System under Step Input

- i) $\gamma > 1$ p_1 and p_2 are **real** and **unequal**. For this situation the response is overdamped (non-oscillatory).
- ii) $\gamma < 1$ p_1 and p_2 are **complex conjugate** (as A_1 and A_2)

$$p_{1} = -\gamma \omega_{n} + i\omega_{n}\sqrt{1-\gamma^{2}}$$

$$p_{2} = -\gamma \omega_{n} - i\omega_{n}\sqrt{1-\gamma^{2}}$$

$$x_{o}(t) = \bar{X}_{i} \left[1 - \frac{e^{-\gamma \omega_{n}t}}{\sqrt{1-\gamma^{2}}} \sin(\omega_{n}t\sqrt{1-\gamma^{2}} + \phi) \right]$$

Maximum overshoot at
$$t = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \gamma^2}}$$

with magnitude $x_{max} = \bar{X}_i \left(1 + e^{\frac{-\gamma \pi}{\sqrt{1 - \gamma^2}}}\right)$

Simulink Model: γ >1



Simulink Model: $\gamma < 1$



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Simulink Model: $\gamma=1$

What is the transfer function in this case?



E.-M. Position Control System under Step Input

iii) $\gamma = 1$ p_1 and p_2 are **real** and **equal** (= - ω_n) and the response is Is said to be critically damped. $x_0(t) = \overline{X}_i [1 - (1 + \omega_n t)e^{-\omega_n t}]$

The transient responses under a step input for all three cases can be summarised



E.-M. Position Control System: Transient Response

The **roots of the C.E.** in the **s-plane** govern stability and transient behaviour

$$p_1 = -\gamma \omega_n + \omega_n \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}$$
 $p_2 = -\gamma \omega_n - \omega_n \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}$



The roots trace out **loci** in the s-plane.

Visualisation of root locus



E.-M. Position Control System under Standard Inputs

ii) ramp Input



$$\begin{array}{ll} t < 0 & V_{i}(t) = 0 \\ t \ge 0 & V_{i}(t) = \Omega t \end{array}$$

From the table of L.T.

 $V_{\rm i}(s) = \frac{\Omega}{s^2}$

and from the b.d.
$$X_{i}(s) = \frac{V_{i}(s)}{K_{4}} = \frac{\Omega}{s^{2}K_{4}} = \frac{\Omega_{x}}{s^{2}}$$
(8)

The output in s-domain $X_o(s) = \frac{\omega_n \omega_x}{s^2(s^2 + 2\gamma\omega_n s + \omega_n^2)}$ (9)

In the time domain

$$x_{o}(t) = \Omega_{x} \left(t - \frac{2\gamma}{\omega_{n}} + A_{1} e^{p_{1}t} + A_{2} e^{p_{2}t} \right)$$
(10)

Output $x_o(t)$



e(t) for $\gamma < 1$



E.-M. Position Control System: S.-S. Error under Ramp Input

From the block diagram, for $F_R = 0$ (no disturbance)

$$E(s) = X_{i}(s) - X_{o}(s) = \frac{Ms^{2} + Cs}{Ms^{2} + Cs + K}X_{i}(s)$$
(11)

For a ramp input $X_i(s)$ from Eq. (8)

$$E(s) = \frac{Ms^{2} + Cs}{Ms^{2} + Cs + K} \frac{\Omega_{x}}{s^{2}} = \frac{Ms + C}{Ms^{2} + Cs + K} \frac{\Omega_{x}}{s}$$
(12)

Using the final value theorem the steady-state error

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{t \to \infty} e(t) = \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{sE(s)}{sE(s)} = \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{Ms + C}{Ms^2 + Cs + K} \Omega_x$$
$$= \frac{C}{K} \Omega_x = \frac{2\gamma}{\omega_n} \Omega_x$$
(13)

What Next?

- improving transient and steady-state performance: velocity feedback & PID control
- stability of feedback systems