

ECE 486: Control Systems

Lecture 8A: Proportional-Integral (PI) Control

Key Takeaways

This lecture describes proportional-integral control. The controller sets the plant input with two terms: (i) proportional to the error and (ii) proportional to the integral of the error.

Key properties of PI control:

1. Integral control is that it achieves zero error in steady state (assuming system is stable and reaches a steady-state).
2. Initial transient is dominated by the proportional term while the steady state is dominated by the integral term.

The two terms in a PI controller can be used to provide better trade-offs in the control design.

Problem 1

Consider the following plant:

$$2\dot{y}(t) + 6y(t) = 8u(t)$$

with a PI controller in the following form:

$$u(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$

- A) What is the ODE model for the closed-loop from r to y ?
- B) Choose (K_p, K_i) so that the closed-loop: i) is stable and ii) has $\zeta = 0.5$, iii) settling time $T_s \leq 3 \text{ sec}$, and (iv) zero steady-state error due to a unit step reference.
- C) How will the response change if K_i is increased further? Would you recommend increasing K_i based on your analysis?

Solution 1A

$$2\dot{y}(t) + 6y(t) = 8u(t)$$

$$u(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$

A) What is the ODE model for the closed-loop from r to y ?

$$2\dot{y} + 6y = 8K_p e + 8K_i \int_0^t e$$

$\downarrow d/dt$

$$2\ddot{y} + 6\dot{y} = 8K_p \dot{e} + 8K_i e$$

\downarrow $\hookrightarrow e = r - y$

$$2\ddot{y} + (6 + 8K_p)\dot{y} + 8K_i y = 8K_p \dot{r} + 8K_i r$$

$$T(s) = \frac{8K_p s + 8K_i}{2s^2 + (6 + 8K_p)s + 8K_i}$$

$r \rightarrow y$

Solution 1B

$$2\dot{y}(t) + 6y(t) = 8u(t)$$

$$u(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$

B) Choose (K_p, K_i) so that the closed-loop: i) is stable and ii) has $\zeta = 0.5$, iii) settling time $T_s \leq 3$ sec, and (iv) zero steady-state error due to a unit step reference. ~~4~~ Integral control ensures (iv)

$$T(s) = \frac{8K_p s + 8K_i}{2s^2 + (6+8K_p)s + (8K_i)}$$

$$s^2 + \left(\frac{6+8K_p}{2}\right)s + \left(\frac{8K_i}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$4 = \omega_n^2 = \frac{8K_i}{2} \rightarrow K_i = \frac{2 \cdot 4}{8} = 1$$

$$2 = 2\zeta\omega_n = \frac{6+8K_p}{2} \rightarrow 6+8K_p = 4 \rightarrow 8K_p = -2 \rightarrow K_p = -\frac{1}{4}$$

Aside:
 if $\zeta < 1$
 real part $-\zeta\omega_n$
 $3 = T_s = 3/\zeta\omega_n$
 $\Rightarrow \zeta\omega_n = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \omega_n = 2$

Solution 1C

$m\dot{v} + bv = Ku$ \rightarrow $2\dot{y}(t) + 6y(t) = 8u(t)$

$J\dot{\omega} + b\omega = K_u$

$$u(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$

~~If you keep K_p fixed then~~

C) How will the response change if K_i is increased further? Would you recommend increasing K_i based on your analysis?

$\omega_n^2 = 8K_i/2$ \leftarrow *

$2\zeta\omega_n = \frac{6 + 8K_p}{2}$ \leftarrow Unchanged

Picked (K_p, K_i) so that $\zeta = 1/2, \omega_n = 2$

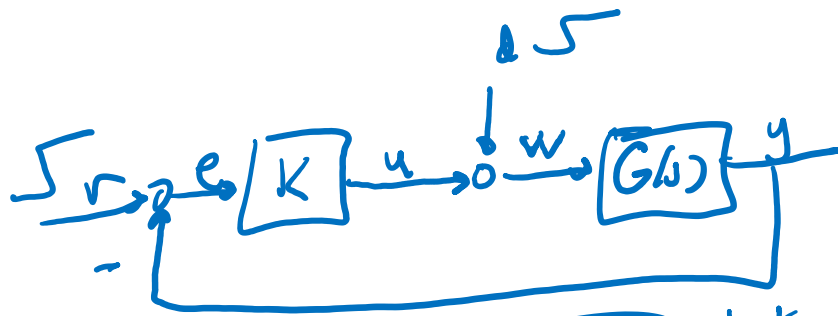
Keep K_p the same \rightarrow $2\zeta\omega_n$ stays the same \rightarrow

$\uparrow K_i$ $\uparrow \omega_n$ $\downarrow \zeta$ \uparrow overshoot, oscillations
 \hookrightarrow Not good a thing
 \downarrow Rise Time \leftarrow Good

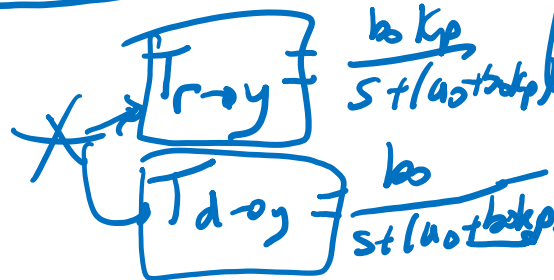
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$$\begin{pmatrix} Y \\ u \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} R \\ D \end{pmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} T_{r \rightarrow y}(s) & T_{d \rightarrow y}(s) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R(s) \\ D(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

Lecture 8B: Proportional-Derivative (PD) Control



$$Y = G \cdot u + G \cdot D \\ = G(u + D)$$



$$\dot{y} + a_0 y = b_0 w = b_0 u + b_0 \underline{d}$$

$$u = K_p (r - y)$$

$$\dot{y} + (a_0 + b_0 K_p) y = (b_0 K_p) r + b_0 \underline{d}$$

Key Takeaways

This lecture describes proportional-derivative control. The controller sets the plant input with two terms: (i) proportional to the error and (ii) proportional to the derivative of the error.

Key properties of PD control:

1. Some plants cannot be stabilized by P or PI control. This motivates the use of PD.
2. A basic implementation of PD control will amplify noise.
3. Common implementations use a “smoothed” derivative or a direct measurement the derivative of the output.

Problem 2

Consider the following plant:

$$\ddot{y}(t) - 2\dot{y}(t) + y(t) = u(t)$$

with a PD controller in the following form:

$$u(t) = K_p \underbrace{(r(t) - y(t))}_e - K_d \underbrace{\dot{y}(t)}_{\text{Rate Feedback}}$$

- A) What is the ODE model for the closed-loop from r to y ?
- B) Choose (K_p, K_d) so that the closed-loop: i) is stable and ii) has $(\omega_n, \zeta) = (2 \text{ rad/sec}, 0.5)$.
- C) What is the steady-state error if r is a unit step reference?
- D) Would you increase or decrease K_p to reduce the steady-state error? What other impacts does this change have on the response?

Solution 2A

$$\ddot{y}(t) - 2\dot{y}(t) + y(t) = u(t)$$

$$u(t) = K_p (r(t) - y(t)) - K_d \dot{y}(t)$$

A) What is the ODE model for the closed-loop from r to y ?

$$\ddot{y} - 2\dot{y} + y = K_p(r - y) - K_d \dot{y}$$

$$\ddot{y} + (K_d - 2)\dot{y} + (K_p + 1)y = K_p r$$

$$T_{r \rightarrow y}(s) = \frac{K_p}{s^2 + (K_d - 2)s + (K_p + 1)}$$

Solution 2B

$$\ddot{y}(t) - 2\dot{y}(t) + y(t) = u(t)$$

$$u(t) = K_p (r(t) - y(t)) - K_d \dot{y}(t)$$

B) Choose (K_p, K_d) so that the closed-loop: i) is stable and ii) has $(\omega_n, \zeta) = (2 \text{ rad/sec}, 0.5)$.

$$\ddot{y} - 2\dot{y} + y = K_p(r - y) - K_d \dot{y}$$

$$\ddot{y} + (K_d - 2)\dot{y} + (K_p + 1)y = K_p r$$

$$s^2 + \underbrace{(K_d - 2)}_{2\zeta\omega_n} s + \underbrace{(K_p + 1)}_{\omega_n^2} = 0$$

$$4 = \omega_n^2 = K_p + 1 \rightarrow K_p = 3$$

$$2 = 2\zeta\omega_n = K_d - 2 \rightarrow K_d = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{y} + 2\dot{y} + 4y = 3r$$

Solution 2C

$$\ddot{y}(t) - 2\dot{y}(t) + y(t) = u(t)$$

$$u(t) = K_p (r(t) - y(t)) - K_d \dot{y}(t)$$

C) What is the steady-state error if r is a unit step reference?

$\circ \leftarrow \ddot{y} + 2\dot{y} + 4y = 3r$

If $r \rightarrow \bar{r}$ then $y \rightarrow \bar{y}$

$$4\bar{y} = 3\bar{r} \rightarrow \bar{y} = \frac{3}{4}\bar{r} = \frac{3}{4} \cdot 1 = \frac{3}{4}$$

$\bar{r} = 1$

$$T_{\text{roy}}(0) = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\bar{e} = \bar{r} - \bar{y} = 1 - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Solution 2D

$$\ddot{y}(t) - 2\dot{y}(t) + y(t) = u(t)$$

$$u(t) = K_p (r(t) - y(t)) - K_d \dot{y}(t)$$

D) Would you increase or decrease K_p to reduce the steady-state error? What other impacts does this change have on the response?

$$\circ \left[\ddot{y} + (k_d - 2) \dot{y} + (k_p + 1) y = k_p r \right]$$

$$(k_p + 1) \bar{y} = k_p \bar{r} \rightarrow \bar{y} = \left(\frac{k_p}{k_p + 1} \right) \bar{r} = \frac{k_p}{k_p + 1} \bar{r}$$

$$\uparrow k_p \quad \bar{y} \rightarrow \bar{r} = 1 \quad \downarrow \bar{e}$$

(This will have other consequences,
e.g. $\uparrow \alpha$, $\downarrow \beta$)