

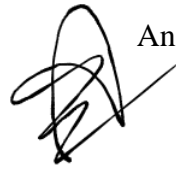
Fundamentals of Control Systems  
Elec 372

Lab Experiment #2

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## 1) Objectives

For the second lab experiment of the course Elec 372, students are tasked to perform system identification on a mechanical first-order system to determine its inertia, damping and gain ( $J$ ,  $B$ ,  $K$ ) parameters. The experiment will involve open-loop and closed-loop response on a DC motor. They will also perform calculations on the system model and verifying the model using MATLAB. As such, these theoretical predictions and the experimental results will allow for students to compare data which deepens their understanding on the fundamentals of control systems.

## 2) Theory

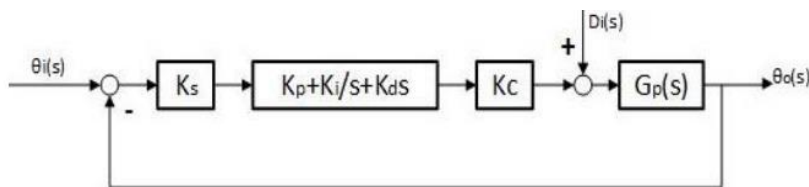


Figure 2.1

The above figure represents a ECP 220 system block diagram of a closed-loop configuration. A PI+V controller configuration is considered as the “default” configuration as it allows for a good control of closed-loop system parameters.

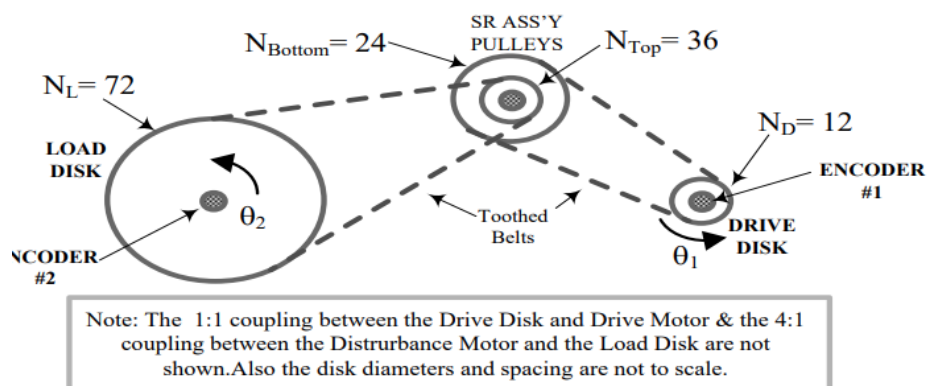


Figure 2.2

The figure 2.2 demonstrates the rotation inertia ratio between disks. The letter of the above figure represents:

**D:** The drive, inertia specified by the manufacturer is  $4(10)^{-4}\text{kgm}^2$

**L:** The load, inertia specified by the manufacturer is  $65(10)^{-4}\text{kgm}^2$

**SR:** The SR disks, inertia specified by the manufacturer is  $78(10)^{-6}\text{kgm}^2$

**w:** the additional inertia of the weights fixed to the driver and the load disks

### 3) Tasks / Results / Discussions

#### 3.1) EVALUATION OF J AND K USING OPEN-LOOP VELOCITY OUTPUT

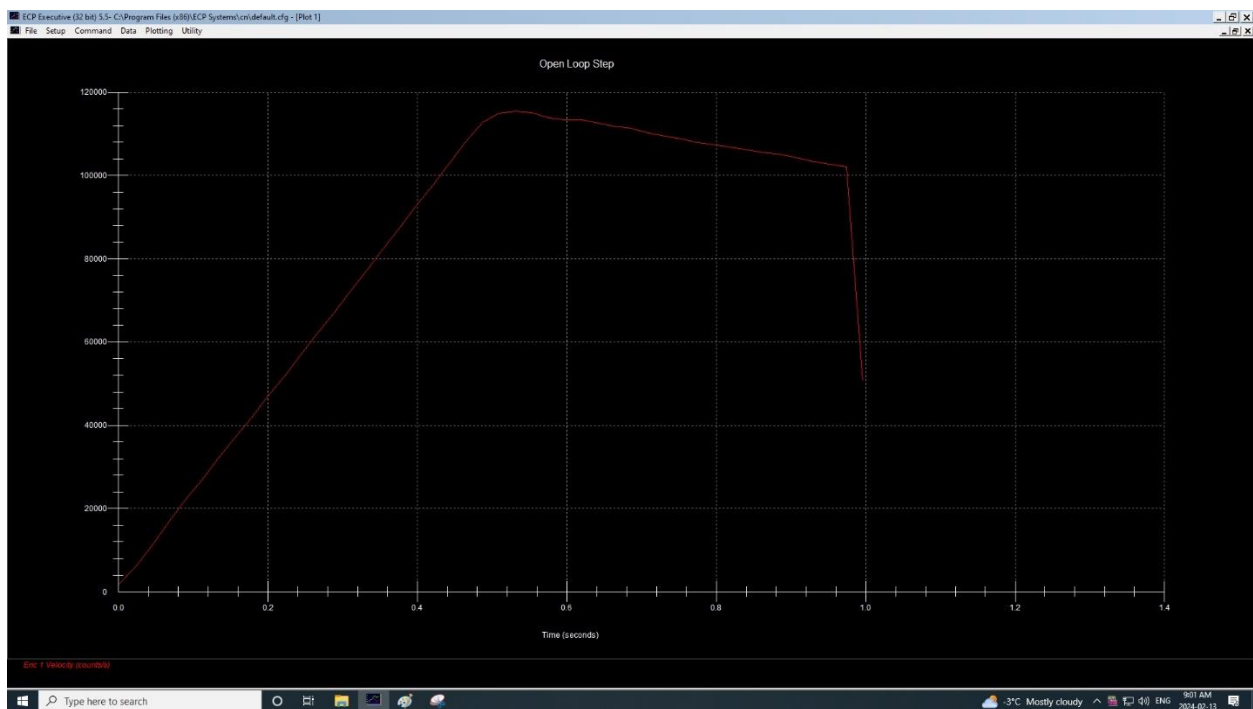


Figure 3.1.1

The left axis is Encoder #1 velocity and the x axis is time in seconds. Notice that the large linear increase of velocity on the y axis at the start represents a constant acceleration. Around time 0.5 seconds, we reach the maximum and the velocity decreases. This occurs because the step reverse and the “overload” circuit disable the system at this point.

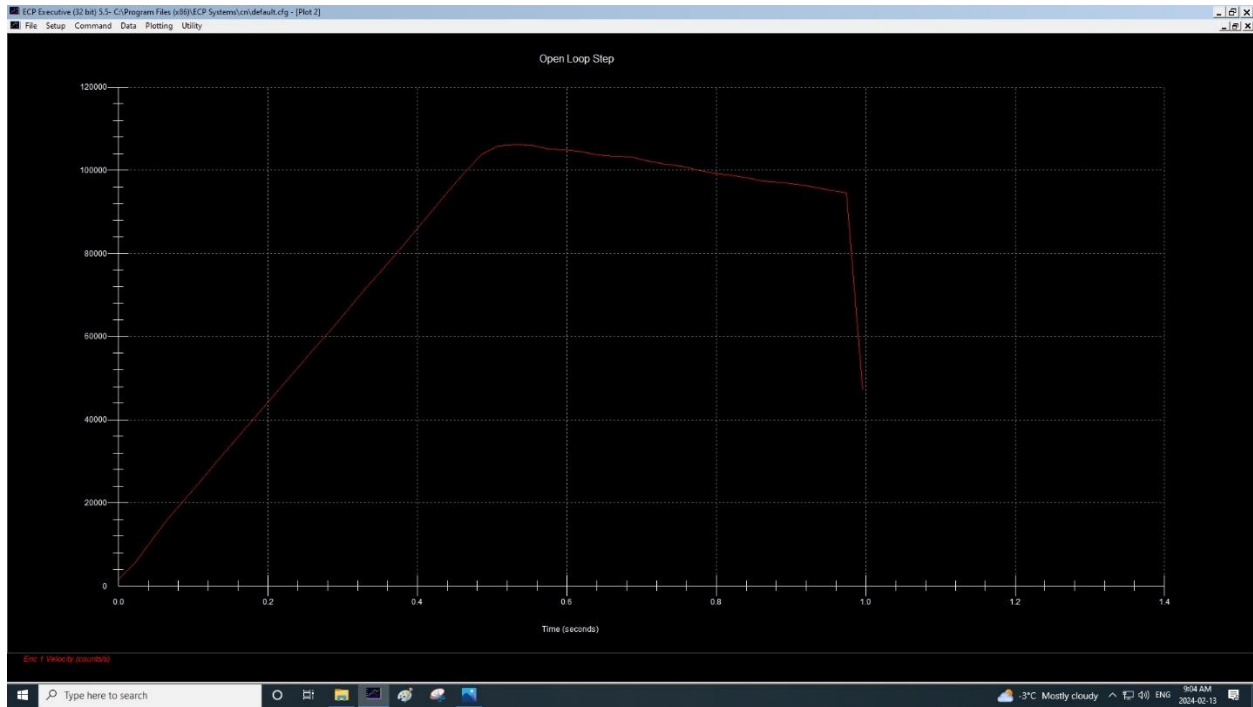


Figure 3.1.2

This is similar is obtain by performing the exact same procedure as the one before it, however we added an additional weight to the system. Notice how the shape of the graph of figure 3.2 is very similar to figure 3.1. Both increases linearly and both stops around 0.5 seconds. However, a major difference is the peak. For the non-weighted system, the peak reached around 116000, while the weighted system could only reach 106000. This means that had a higher velocity or acceleration rate compared to the weighted system.

Using Equation (4.4), determine the value of J and compare the value obtained with the calculated nominal value given in sections (4.2.1) and (4.2.2) and find the % error.

$$J = \left( \frac{a_2}{a_1 - a_2} \right) \Delta J \text{ kgm}^2$$

$$a_1 = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{98000 - 20000}{0.4 - 0.085} = 247619.05 \text{ counts/sec}^2$$

$$a_2 = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{80000 - 40000}{0.37 - 0.18} = 210526.32 \text{ counts/sec}^2$$

$$\Delta J = 0.000494$$

The experimental value of J is calculated as such:

$$J = \left( \frac{a_2}{a_1 - a_2} \right) \Delta J = \left( \frac{210526.32}{247619.05 - 210526.32} \right) * 0.000494 = 2.8 * 10^{-3}$$

The % error is calculated as such:

$$\% \text{ error} = \left| \frac{\text{Actual Value} - \text{Experimental Value}}{\text{Experimental Value}} \right| = \left| \frac{4.23 * 10^{-3} - 2.8 * 10^{-3}}{2.8 * 10^{-3}} \right| = 0.51$$

The percent error is around 51%. It is unavoidable that we obtain a high percent error since the values of y and x used to calculate  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are rough estimates.

Using the determined value of J, find  $K_a K_t K_e$  using Equation (4.3). Multiply this value by  $K_s K_c$  to obtain K (see section 4.2.1) for the equipment at your lab station.

$$J a_1 = 2 K_a K_t K_e$$

$$K_a K_t K_e = \frac{J a_1}{2} = \frac{2.8 * 10^{-3} * 247619.05}{2} = 346.67$$

$$K = K_s K_c K_e K_a K_t = 346.67 * 0.009766 = 3.39$$

The value of K obtained by using the determined value of J is 3.39.

### 3.2) EVALUATION OF J AND K USING OPEN-LOOP POSITION OUTPUT

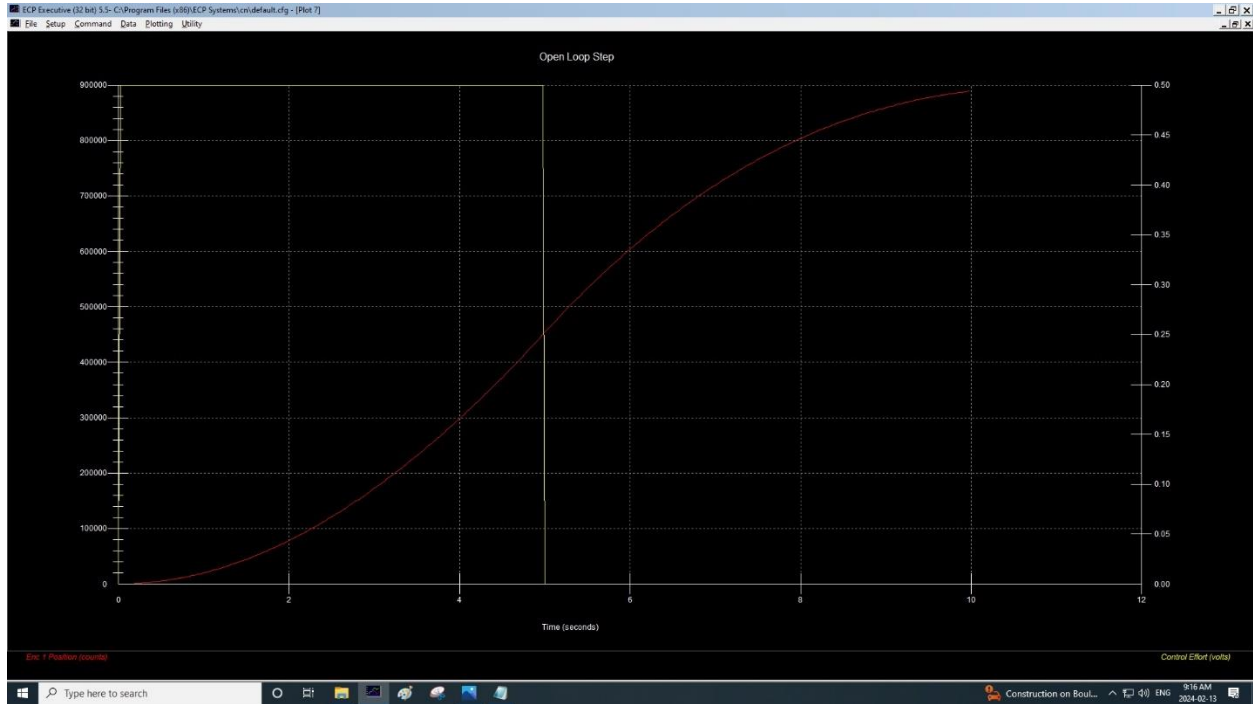


Figure 3.2.1

The left axis is encoder #1 position while CE is the right axis with both in relation to time on the x axis. This can be visually seen with the red line (position) and the yellow line (CE).

Determine the slope S of the line (in Counts/sec) and the time-axis intercept  $\tau$  (sec).

$$S = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{700000 - 300000}{6.8 - 4} = 142857.14 \text{ count/sec}$$

Convert from counts to radians:

$$S(\text{rad/sec}) = \frac{S(\text{count/sec})}{K_e} = \frac{142857.14}{2546.5} = 56.099 \text{ radian/sec}$$

$$B = \frac{0.1}{S(\text{radians/sec})} = 1.7825 * 10^{-3}$$

From the displayed time-axis intercept, determine the time-constant  $\tau = J/B$  from x-axis intercept.

Based on figure 3.2.1, the intercept is at 2 seconds.

Determine J:

$$J = \tau * B = 2 * 1.7825 * 10^{-3} = 3.565 * 10^{-3}$$

As such, the experimental value of J is  $3.565 * 10^{-3}$  and B is  $1.7825 * 10^{-3}$ .

Compare with the determined value of 4.3.1 and obtain the average value:

The value of J in 4.3.1 is  $2.8 * 10^{-3}$ .

The value earlier is J is  $3.565 * 10^{-3}$ .

As such, the average value of J is  $3.1825 * 10^{-3}$ .

Percentage Error:

$$\% \text{ error} = \left| \frac{\text{Actual Value} - \text{Experimental Value}}{\text{Experimental Value}} \right| = \left| \frac{4.23 * 10^{-3} - 3.1825 * 10^{-3}}{3.1825 * 10^{-3}} \right| = 0.33$$

The percentage error is around 33%.

Record the average value of J, and the values of B and K obtained, these values are to be used in subsequent lab work.

Average of J:  $3.1825 * 10^{-3} \text{ kgm}^2$

B:  $1.7825 * 10^{-3} \text{ Nm/radian}$

K:  $3.39 \text{ Nm/radian}$

### 3.3) SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION VIA THE OPEN-LOOP RESPONSE TO A SINE SWEEP INPUT

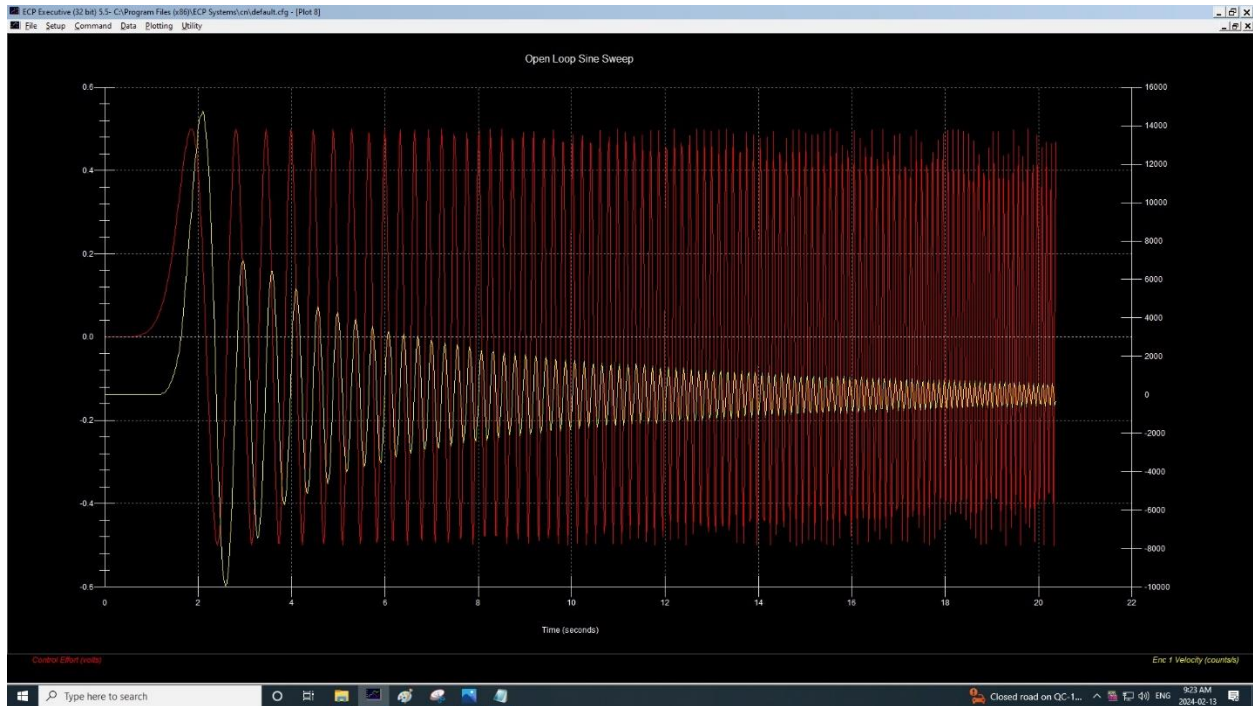


Figure 3.3.1

The above figure has CE displayed on the left axis and encoder #1 velocity on the right axis with both dependent on times in seconds. This is an open-loop system with sweep input of 0.1 to 10Hz and 0.5 volt with sweep time of 20 seconds.

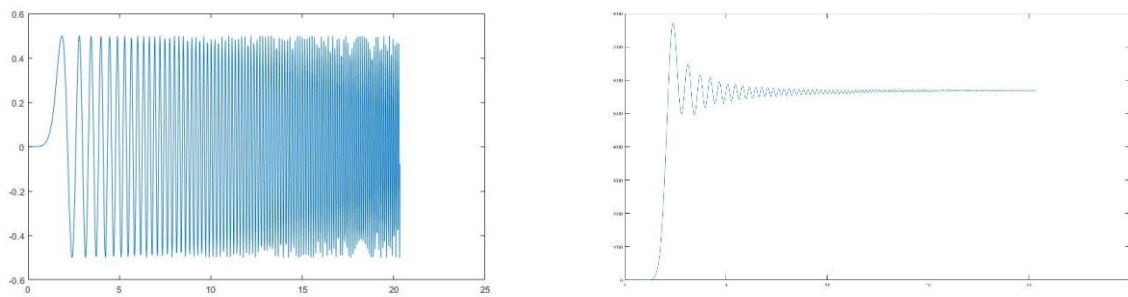


Figure 3.3.2

The above figure represents the MATLAB model obtained when running the MATLAB code found in the appendix. We can observe that figure 3.3.1 and 3.3.2 are the exact same. The left MATLAB figure is the red line CE, while the right figure is the yellow velocity.



### 3.4) SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION VIA CLOSED-LOOP SYSTEM RESPONSE

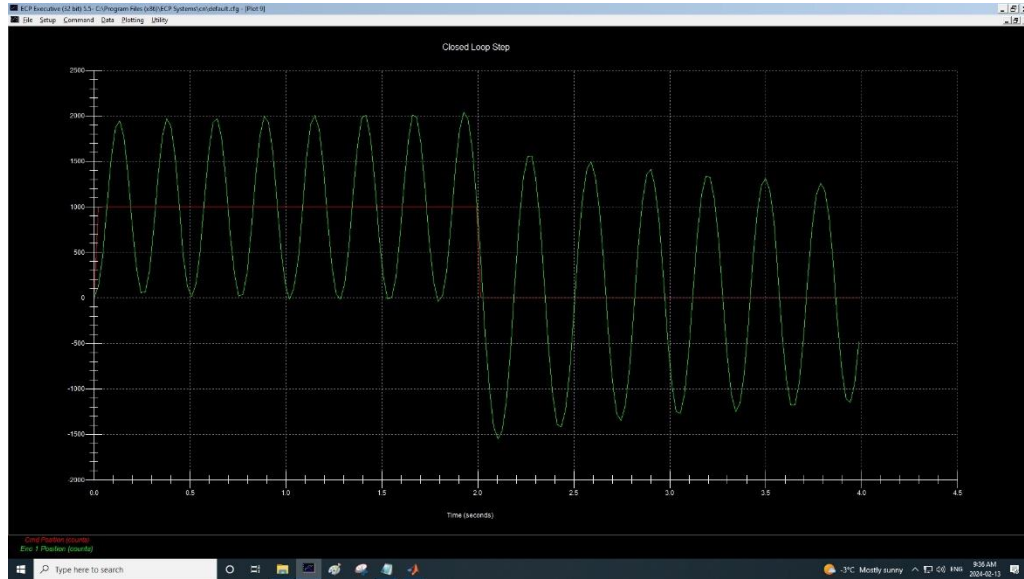


Figure 3.4.1

The commanded position and encoder #1 position are both on the left axis. The algorithm input is  $K_p = 1$ ,  $K_d = 0$  and  $K_i = 0$ .

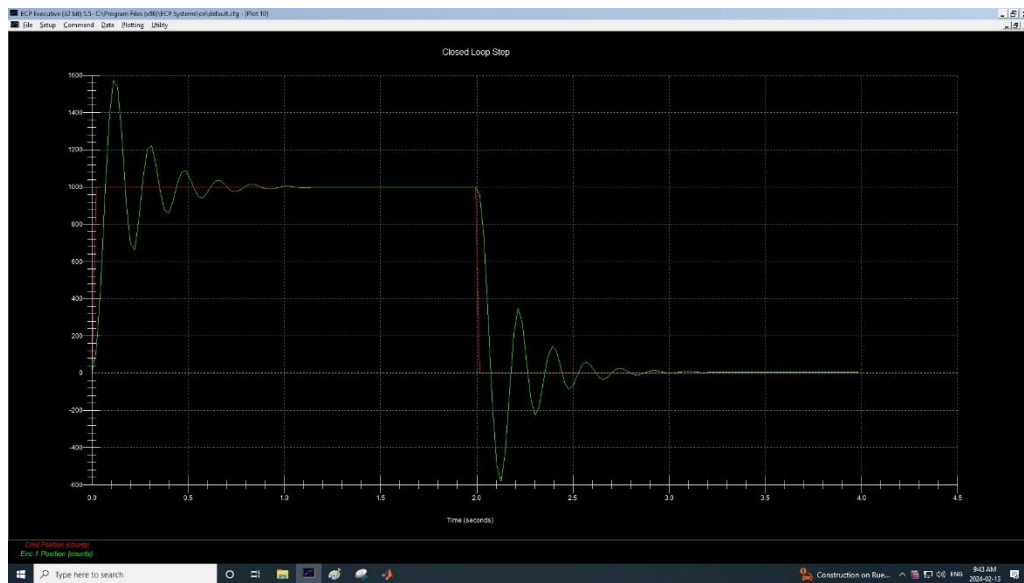


Figure 3.4.2

The system was running exactly the same except that we changed the algorithm input to  $K_p = 1$ ,  $K_d = 0.01$  and  $K_i = 0$ .

Their MATLAB simulation counterparts are as follows:

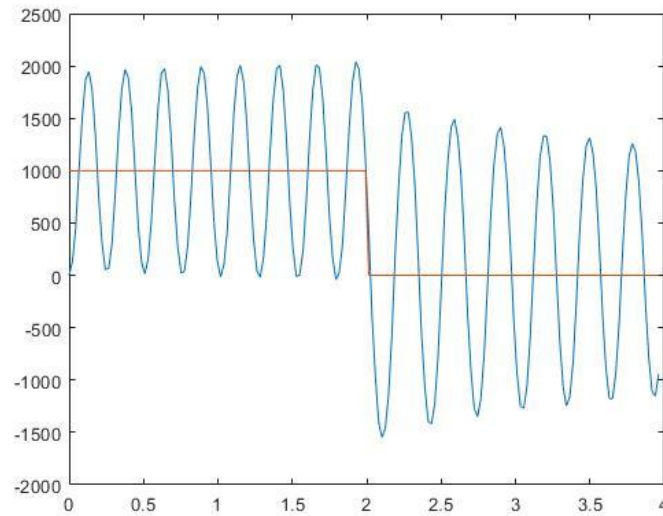


Figure 3.4.3

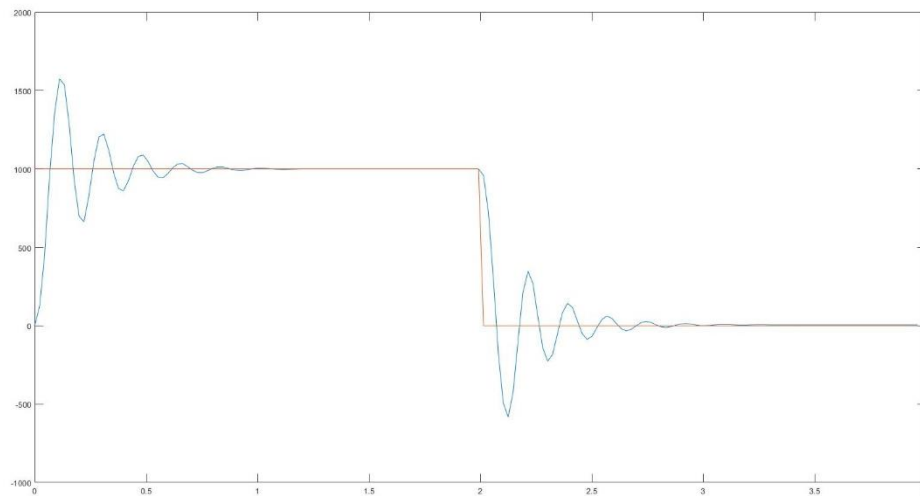


Figure 4.3.4

It can be observed that their MATLAB counterparts are very similar, thus proving that our experimental and theoretical systems are behaving accordingly. Given these sound results, we can calculate and find the first-order transfer functions.

Calculate system the open-loop transfer function (OLTF) with the determined values of K, J and B from open-loop tests in section 4.3.2 and 4.3.3.

$$OLTF = \frac{K}{s(B + Js)} = \frac{3.39}{s(1.7825 * 10^{-3} + 3.1825 * 10^{-3} * s)}$$

Obtain the OLTF in MATLAB by the data of the closed-loop test., then calculate K, B and J.

$$tfd2 = \frac{6623}{s^2 + 28.07s + 6611} = \frac{K}{s(B + Js)}$$

Given this equation, we can find K = 6623, B = 28.07 and J = 1.

#### Compare these models

For this experiment, we have obtained models from the lab equipment as well as the simulation done through MATLAB. It can be observed from those figures that both types of models are similar. While we might encounter slight differences when observing specific data points, the general tendencies are similar.

Write a brief summary about how the lab equipment might facilitate a better understanding of control systems

Theory learned during lectures can only go so far. The best method to encapsulates theory is through practice. As such, by having students perform the experiment by themselves, they are able to grasp the topic and understand it better. In other words, lab equipment allows for experimentations which in turn facilitate a better understanding. In the end, this approach bridges the theory with practical application as it provides hands-on experience.

#### 4) Questions

None

#### 5) Conclusions

In conclusion, the students performed experiments on system identification and control system analysis of an open-loop and closed-loop response systems. We observed the effect of inertia, damping coefficient and gain. Then, by performing both the experiment with the lab equipment and a simulation through MATLAB, students are able to compare plots and analyse the effect due to changes in parameters.

## 6) Appendix

MATLAB Code used for this lab:

```
time = data(:,2);
y = data(:,4);
u = data(:,6);
dy = diff(y);
dy(end + 1) = dy(end);
zf = iddata(dy,u,0.00884);
tfl = tfest(zf,1,0);
plot(time, y);
plot(time, u);
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plot(time, u);
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time = data(:,2);
y = data(:,4);
u = data(:,3);
zf = iddata(y,u,0.00884);
Tfd2 = tfest(zf,2,0);

plot(time, y);
hold on;
plot(time, u);
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Sample example of gather raw data used in MATLAB

Sample	Time	Commanded Pos	Encoder 1 Pos	Encoder 2 Pos	Control Effort
[	0	0.000	1000	0	0.0000;
	1	0.022	1000	125	4.8840;
	2	0.044	1000	445	4.0611;
	3	0.066	1000	942	-1.3022;
	4	0.089	1000	1354	-4.7595;
	5	0.111	1000	1574	-4.8840;
	6	0.133	1000	1537	-4.8565;
	7	0.155	1000	1278	-1.5201;
	8	0.177	1000	929	1.9359;

9	0.199	1000	698	160	3.6044;
10	0.221	1000	663	152	3.1746;
11	0.243	1000	829	198	0.9225;
12	0.266	1000	1053	262	-1.3352;
13	0.288	1000	1204	307	-2.4066;
14	0.310	1000	1222	315	-2.0977;
15	0.332	1000	1121	286	-0.7070;
16	0.354	1000	976	246	0.7552;
17	0.376	1000	875	217	1.5079;
18	0.398	1000	860	211	1.3272;
19	0.421	1000	926	230	0.4164;
20	0.443	1000	1018	255	-0.5055;
21	0.465	1000	1080	272	-0.9542;
22	0.487	1000	1088	275	-0.8474;
23	0.509	1000	1046	263	-0.2521;
24	0.531	1000	987	248	0.3358;
25	0.553	1000	948	237	0.6215;
26	0.576	1000	943	235	0.5714;
27	0.598	1000	971	242	0.1551;
28	0.620	1000	1008	252	-0.2125;
29	0.642	1000	1032	259	-0.3822;
30	0.664	1000	1034	260	-0.3462;
31	0.686	1000	1015	255	-0.0714;
32	0.708	1000	992	249	0.1593;
33	0.730	1000	977	245	0.2637;
34	0.753	1000	976	244	0.2393;
35	0.775	1000	988	247	0.0562;
36	0.797	1000	1003	251	-0.0836;
37	0.819	1000	1012	253	-0.1477;
38	0.841	1000	1013	254	-0.1313;
39	0.863	1000	1006	253	-0.0220;
40	0.885	1000	996	250	0.0659;
41	0.908	1000	991	248	0.1136;
42	0.930	1000	990	248	0.1026;
43	0.952	1000	994	248	0.0379;
44	0.974	1000	1000	250	-0.0214;
45	0.996	1000	1004	251	-0.0476;
46	1.018	1000	1004	251	-0.0433;
47	1.040	1000	1003	251	0.0024;
48	1.063	1000	1000	251	0.0147;
49	1.085	1000	998	251	0.0311;
50	1.107	1000	997	251	0.0385;
51	1.129	1000	997	251	0.0342;
52	1.151	1000	998	251	0.0195;
53	1.173	1000	999	251	0.0012;
54	1.195	1000	1000	251	-0.0079;
55	1.217	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
56	1.240	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
57	1.262	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
58	1.284	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
59	1.306	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
60	1.328	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
61	1.350	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
62	1.372	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
63	1.395	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
64	1.417	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
65	1.439	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
66	1.461	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;

67	1.483	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
68	1.505	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
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72	1.594	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
73	1.616	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
74	1.638	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
75	1.660	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
76	1.682	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
77	1.704	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
78	1.727	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
79	1.749	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
80	1.771	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
81	1.793	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
82	1.815	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
83	1.837	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
84	1.859	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
85	1.882	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
86	1.904	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
87	1.926	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
88	1.948	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
89	1.970	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
90	1.992	1000	1000	251	-0.0043;
91	2.014	0	958	250	-4.8840;
92	2.036	0	724	199	-4.8840;
93	2.059	0	286	86	-0.9280;
94	2.081	0	-182	-54	3.3529;
95	2.103	0	-494	-143	4.8840;
96	2.125	0	-583	-163	4.8840;
97	2.147	0	-423	-124	3.3303;
98	2.169	0	-98	-30	-0.3254;
99	2.191	0	211	62	-3.0531;
100	2.214	0	347	102	-3.6783;
101	2.236	0	269	81	-2.0940;
102	2.258	0	58	20	0.2411;
103	2.280	0	-141	-36	2.0238;
104	2.302	0	-226	-63	2.3748;
105	2.324	0	-184	-51	1.4927;
106	2.346	0	-52	-15	-0.0183;
107	2.368	0	81	22	-1.2289;
108	2.391	0	143	40	-1.5263;
109	2.413	0	117	34	-0.9420;
110	2.435	0	32	10	0.0293;
111	2.457	0	-51	-12	0.7668;
112	2.479	0	-87	-22	0.9274;
113	2.501	0	-68	-18	0.5281;
114	2.523	0	-12	-3	-0.1007;
115	2.546	0	40	12	-0.5574;
116	2.568	0	62	18	-0.6380;
117	2.590	0	47	15	-0.3700;
118	2.612	0	11	5	0.0421;
119	2.634	0	-21	-4	0.3053;
120	2.656	0	-33	-7	0.3407;
121	2.678	0	-22	-6	0.1538;
122	2.701	0	1	1	-0.1062;
123	2.723	0	21	6	-0.2741;
124	2.745	0	27	8	-0.2680;

125	2.767	0	20	8	-0.1526;
126	2.789	0	5	3	0.0110;
127	2.811	0	-7	0	0.1068;
128	2.833	0	-11	-1	0.1026;
129	2.855	0	-6	-1	0.0354;
130	2.878	0	4	1	-0.0769;
131	2.900	0	11	4	-0.1386;
132	2.922	0	13	5	-0.1313;
133	2.944	0	11	5	-0.0958;
134	2.966	0	5	4	-0.0281;
135	2.988	0	1	2	-0.0049;
136	3.010	0	1	2	-0.0049;
137	3.033	0	2	2	-0.0531;
138	3.055	0	6	2	-0.0672;
139	3.077	0	7	2	-0.0726;
140	3.099	0	7	2	-0.0726;
141	3.121	0	7	2	-0.0726;
142	3.143	0	5	2	-0.0379;
143	3.165	0	4	2	-0.0324;
144	3.188	0	4	2	-0.0342;
145	3.210	0	5	2	-0.0824;
146	3.232	0	6	2	-0.0653;
147	3.254	0	6	2	-0.0672;
148	3.276	0	6	2	-0.0629;
149	3.298	0	5	2	-0.0488;
150	3.320	0	5	2	-0.0488;
151	3.342	0	5	2	-0.0488;
152	3.365	0	5	2	-0.0488;
153	3.387	0	5	2	-0.0488;
154	3.409	0	5	2	-0.0488;
155	3.431	0	5	2	-0.0488;
156	3.453	0	5	2	-0.0488;
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