

# Control Lab 4: Design and Analysis of PID Controller

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## Intro

PID control is a widespread control scheme for many kinds of systems, such as a building heating system or maintaining fluid levels in a holding tank. In this lab, we closely analyze the characteristics of utilizing a PID control function. By plotting the simulated system over time and changing various parameters we can gauge the effect of those parameters, namely the  $K_p$ ,  $K_i$ , and  $K_d$  coefficients to “tune” the system to reach the target value quickly.

## **Code:**

```
% Define the system transfer function  $G(s) = 1/(s^2 + 2s + 5)$ 
num = 1;
den = [1 2 5];
G = tf(num, den);

% Define unit step input s
s = 0:0.01:10;

% Create the open-loop transfer function
G = tf(num, den);

% Create a figure for the plots
figure;
hold on;

% Create a legend for the plots
legendEntries = {};
% Create a list to store the PID systems
sys = [];
```

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% Plot the step response of the system with different PID
parameters
[sys, legendEntries] = plotPidSystem(1, 0, 0, G, s, legendEntries);
[sys, legendEntries] = plotPidSystem(1, 0.1, 0.125, G, s,
legendEntries);
[sys, legendEntries] = plotPidSystem(1, 0, 0.75, G, s,
legendEntries);
[sys, legendEntries] = plotPidSystem(1, 0.1, 0.45, G, s,
legendEntries);

% Function to plot the step response of the system with a PID
controller
function [sys, legendEntries] = plotPidSystem(Kp, Ki, Kd, G, s,
legendEntries)
    % Create the PID controller transfer function  $C(s) = K_p + K_i/s + K_d s$ 
    C = pid(Kp, Ki, Kd);

    % Create Closed-loop system with the PID controller
    sys = feedback(G, C);

    % Simulate Step response of the closed-loop system
    step(sys, s);

    disp("Kp = " + Kp + ", Ki = " + Ki + ", Kd = " + Kd);

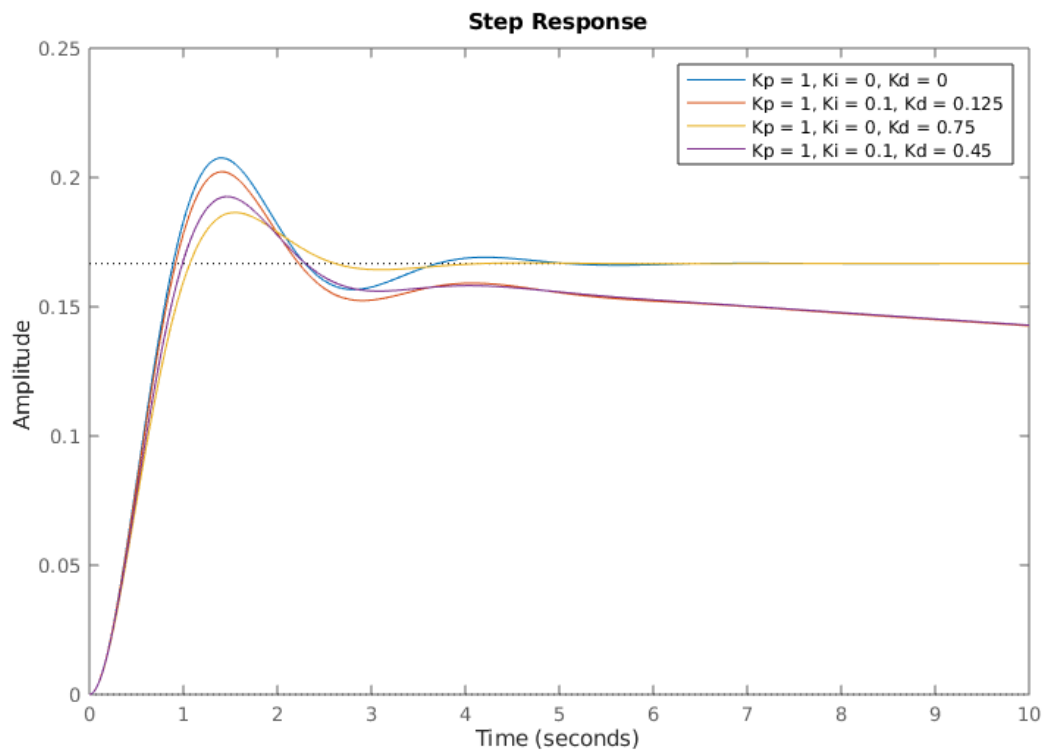
    disp(stepinfo(sys));

    legendEntries{end+1} = ['Kp = ' num2str(Kp) ', Ki = '
num2str(Ki) ', Kd = ' num2str(Kd)];

    % Add a legend entry for the current PID parameters
    legend(legendEntries);
end

% Add a legend to the plot
legend(legendEntries);
hold off;

```



**Figure 1:** Plot of the amplitude response of various closed-loop pid systems with respect to time.

**Listing 1:** Step info of each analyzed PID system

```
Kp = 1, Ki = 0, Kd = 0
RiseTime: 0.6039
TransientTime: 3.4322
SettlingTime: 3.4322
SettlingMin: 0.1557
SettlingMax: 0.2075
Overshoot: 24.5005
Undershoot: 0
    Peak: 0.2075
    PeakTime: 1.4276

Kp = 1, Ki = 0.1, Kd = 0.125
RiseTime: 0
TransientTime: 222.5219
SettlingTime: NaN
SettlingMin: 0
SettlingMax: 0.2022
```

```
Overshoot: Inf
Undershoot: 0
    Peak: 0.2022
PeakTime: 1.3980

Kp = 1, Ki = 0, Kd = 0.75
RiseTime: 0.7207
TransientTime: 2.3921
SettlingTime: 2.3921
SettlingMin: 0.1521
SettlingMax: 0.1864
Overshoot: 11.8700
Undershoot: 0
    Peak: 0.1864
PeakTime: 1.5406

Kp = 1, Ki = 0.1, Kd = 0.45
RiseTime: 0
TransientTime: 225.3407
SettlingTime: NaN
SettlingMin: 0
SettlingMax: 0.1925
Overshoot: Inf
Undershoot: 0
    Peak: 0.1925
PeakTime: 1.4384
```

## Analysis

When analyzing the data produced by the `stepInfo()` function, there are a few noticeable trends. For this experiment, however, we decided to keep the  $K_p$  values consistent throughout the varying PID systems to draw more attention to the  $K_i$  and  $K_d$  values. For certain PID systems with a nonzero  $K_i$  value, the `RiseTime` typically produces zero, the overshoot goes off into infinity, and there is a noticeably larger `TransientTime` in comparison to systems without  $K_i$ . When evaluating the varying  $K_d$  values, it is evident that it affects the `SettlingMax` value. The larger the  $K_d$ , the smaller the `SettlingMax` time.

## Discussion and Conclusion

In this lab we gained a deeper understanding of a PID controller and how its gain coefficients affect its dynamics. Using MATLAB's built-in functions `pid()`, `feedback()`, and `stepinfo()`, to establish our transfer function and generate a system to control. In general,  $K_p$  mostly affects transient response, unless overly dampened by  $K_d$ . And  $K_i$  helps keep the system from lingering in a steady state offset from a target value. All in all these functions and PID controllers in general prove to be very useful and customizable to suit a large variety of system control scenarios.