[2024-1 Digital Control] Chapter 0. Introduction to Course

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About the course

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- ▶ Course title: 디지털제어 (Digital Control)
 - 수요일 10:00 12:50, 정보기술관 108/109호
 - 학부-대학원 공통 과목 (학부: 40067(01), 대학원: 49.671(01))
 - Prerequisite: 제어공학
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- Objectives of the course:
 - Digital device로 제어되는 제어 시스템의 안정성을 해석하고, 이를 바탕으로 이산 시간 제어기를 설계, 구현할 수 있습니다.
 - 연속 시간에서와 이산 시간에서의 제어 시스템 해석의 유사점과 차이점을 이해합니다.
- For details, see:

https://cdsl-uos-wiki.notion.site/ 2024-1-40067-01-f2be00650e8f4a3db78b7f464b94be14?pvs=4

What is "control"?

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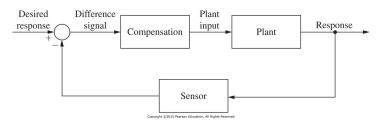


Figure: A configuration of a closed-loop control system

A control system may consist of

- ► Plant (to be controlled)
- Sensor and actuator
- Controller (to be constructed by our hand)

Main objective of the control engineering:

- Stabilize the closed-loop system
- Force the output y(t) to follow a reference r(t)

"Control is everywhere!": A beauty of control engineering

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➤ Stable walking of legged robots https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tF4DML7FIWk



Figure: Atlas AT Boston Dynamics (https://www.bostondynamics.com/)

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- Landing of reusable rockets https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aq7rDQx9jns
- Pose stabilization of a missile https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=STWBZ904qUE



Figure: Falcon 9 and Heavy AT SpaceX https://www.spacex.com/vehicles/falcon-9/

You may study in control engineering class . . .

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For given closed-loop system w/ plant P(s) and controller C(s),

- System description
 - Transfer function P(s)
 - (State-space model $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, y = Cx + Du$)
- ► Notion of stability
 - Open-loop: "Poles" of $P(s) \in \mathbb{C}_{\leq 0}$
 - Closed-loop: "Poles" of $PC/(1+PC)(s) \in \mathbb{C}_{<0}$
- Stability criteria
 - Routh-Hurwitz criterion
 - Root locus technique
 - Nyquist plot
 - Gain/phase margins
- Performance & design
 - Overshoot & settling time
 - PID controller
 - Lead-lag compensator

A toy example that we want to study in this class

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Consider a simple plant

$$P(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

The classical control engineering class says that a PI controller

$$C(s) = K_p + K_i \frac{1}{s}, \quad K_p > 0, \ K_i > 0.$$

would stabilize the closed-loop system!

$$\therefore \frac{PC}{1+PC} = \frac{\frac{sK_p + K_i}{s^2}}{1 + \frac{sK_p + K_i}{s^2}} = \frac{sK_p + K_i}{s^2 + sK_p + K_i}.$$

Unfortunately,

we have to do more for the implementation of C(s) in real world...

Q1: How can we implement C(s) in the code?

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We CANNOT directly implement $C(s) = K_p + K_i/s$ or

$$u(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}(C(s)(r(s) - y(s))) = K_p(r(t) - y(t)) + \int_0^t K_i(r(\tau) - y(\tau)) d\tau$$

in the "digital" device. (WHY???)

An alternative is to approximate u(t) above in the discrete time:

$$u^{\mathsf{d}}(k) = K_p(r^{\mathsf{d}}(k) - y^{\mathsf{d}}(k)) + \sum_{j=0}^{k} K_i(r^{\mathsf{d}}(j) - y^{\mathsf{d}}(j))T$$

- ightharpoonup T > 0: Small time period (called sampling period later)
- k: Discrete time
- $ightharpoonup u^{d}(k)$: Discrete-time control input
- $ightharpoonup r^{d}(k) = r(kT), \ y^{d}(k) = y(kT).$

Q2: How can we put $u^{d}(k)$ into the "continuous-time" plant?

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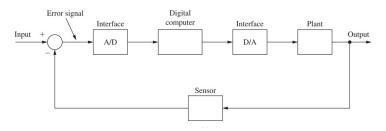


Figure: Sampled-data system

- ► The input/output of the controller are in discrete time;
- ► The input/output of the plant are in continuous time.

To deal with such a mismatch, we need two additional ingredients:

- ► Sampler (or D/A): $y^{d}(k) = y(kT)$
- ▶ Hold (or A/D): $u(t) = u^{d}(k)$, $\forall kT \leq t < (k+1)T$.

Simulation setting in MATLAB/Simulink

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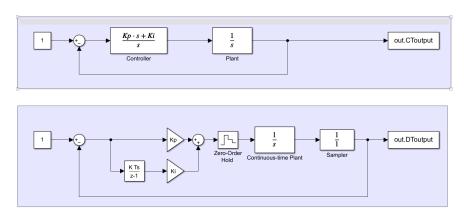


Figure: Implementation of PI-controlled systems in continuous time (above) in sampled-data setting (or in discrete time) (below)

Q3: Stability in continuous time #> Stability in discrete time

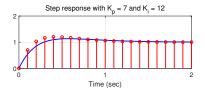
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Step responses of

- continuous-time closed-loop system (blue)
- discrete-time closed-loop system (red)

in two cases:

- (Use of low gain, left) $(K_p, K_i) = (7, 12)$;
- (Use of high gain, right) $(K_p, K_i) = (30, 200)$.



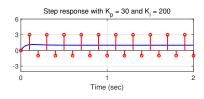


Figure: Step response under variation of K_i and K_p

"A discrete-time controller does not work like its continuous-time counterpart!"

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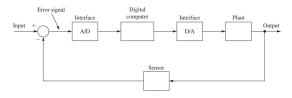


Figure: Overall configuration of sampled-data system

We will study

- System model in discrete time;
- Stability analysis of discrete-time system and sampled-data system; Intuition: A scalar system $x^{\rm d}(k+1)=\alpha x^{\rm d}(k)+\beta u^{\rm d}(k)$: stable when $|\alpha|<1!$
- Relation between sample-and-hold process and stability
- Controller design in discrete time
 (e.g., pole placement, PID controller, LQR, Kalman filter)