

Digital Control

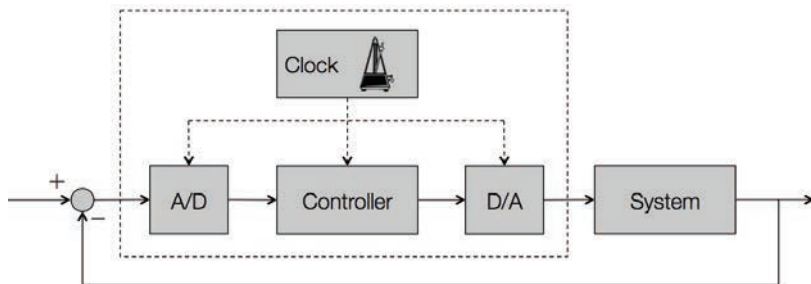
Control Systems

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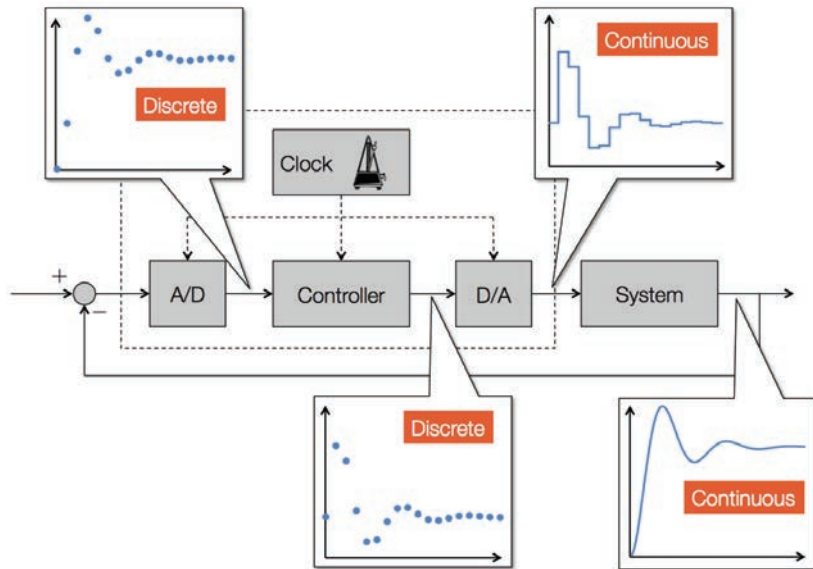
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Introduction

- The first PI controllers were applied using pneumatic devices.
- A PID controller can be implemented using analogue electronic circuits (RLC+OpAmp).
- Now, microprocessors are used to implement the controllers, because
 - they are more flexible and cheaper,
 - they can control many subsystems,
 - more complex control algorithms can be applied,
 - new sensors provide numerical values.

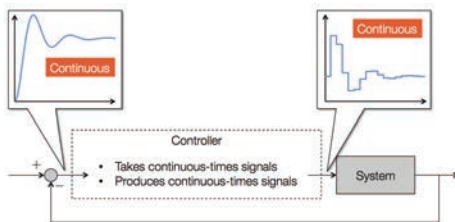


Introduction

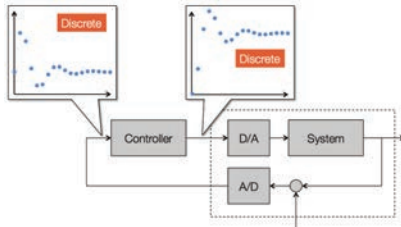


Digital versus Continuous-time Control

Perspective of the system : System sees the digital controller as a continuous-time device.



Perspective of the controller : Controller sees the system as a discrete-time entity.



Digital versus Continuous-time Control

Continuous-time control :

- Find a physical model from differential equations, or
- Find a simplified model from step or frequency response ;
- Design a continuous-time controller ;
- Apply the discretized controller.

Designed specifications are achieved only if the sampling time is very small

Digital Control :

- Find a discrete-time model by discretizing the physical model, or
- Identify directly from data a discrete-time model (System Identification Course) ;
- Design a discrete-time controller and apply it.

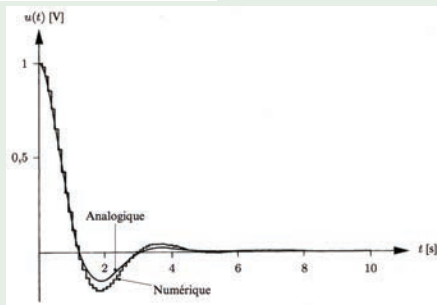
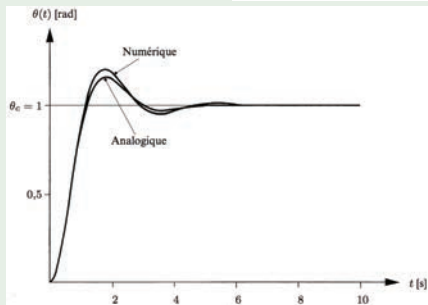
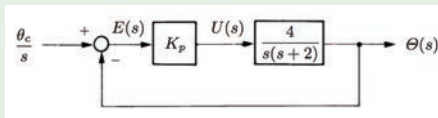
Designed specifications are achieved at sampling instants

Digital versus Continuous-time Control

Example

Consider the position control of a DC motor with a proportional controller $K_p = 1$ (Clock pulse $h = 0.1$ s) :

$$e(t) = \theta_c - \theta(t) \quad \text{and} \quad u(t) = e(t)$$

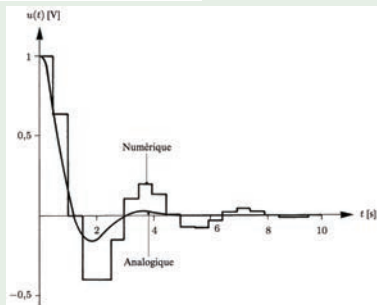
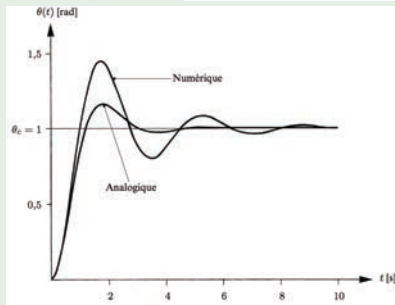
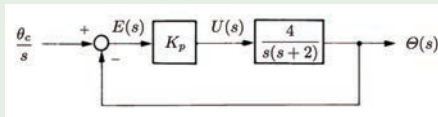


Digital versus Continuous-time Control

Example

Consider the position control of a DC motor with a proportional controller $K_p = 1$ (Clock pulse $h = 0.5$ s) :

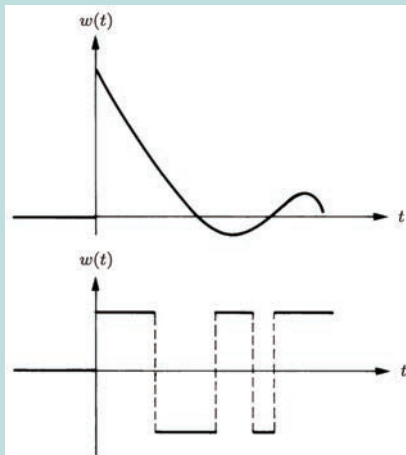
$$e(t) = \theta_c - \theta(t) \quad \text{and} \quad u(t) = e(t)$$



Sampling and Reconstruction

Continuous-time signal

Continuous-time signal is a function defined as $w(t) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

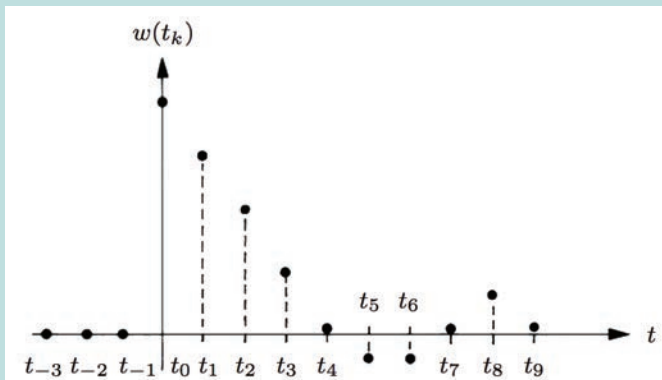


Sampling and Reconstruction

Discrete-time signal

Discrete-time signal is defined as

$$w(t_k) = w(kh) : \{k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

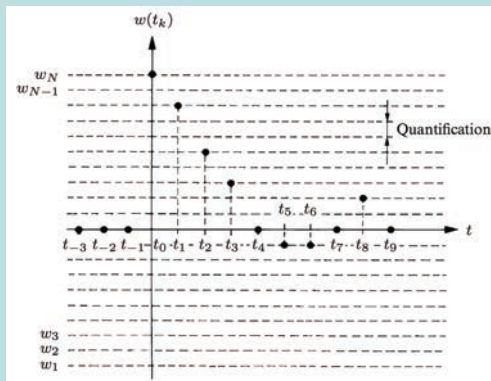


Sampling and Reconstruction

Digital signal

Digital signal is defined as

$$w(t_k) = w(kh) : \{k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \rightarrow \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_N\} \subset \mathbb{R}$$



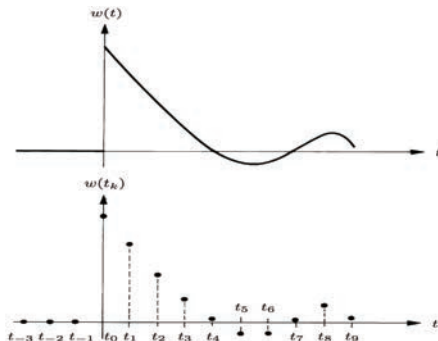
Sampling and Reconstruction

Sampling of a continuous-time signal : Normally we sample with a constant sampling period (période d'échantillonnage) h , i.e.

$$h = t_k - t_{k-1}, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Sampling frequency : (fréquence d'échantillonnage) $f_e = \frac{1}{h}$ Hz

or (pulsation d'échantillonnage) $\omega_e = 2\pi f_e$ rad/s



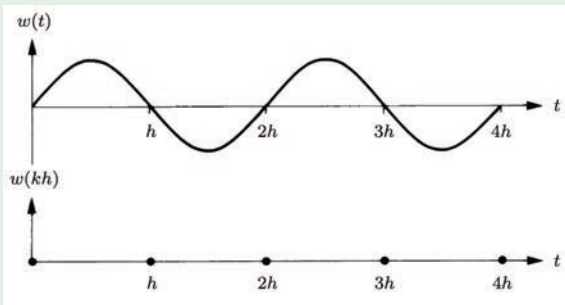
Sampling Theorem

Question

Can we capture all of the information in a continuous-time signal by sampling?

It should depend on the sampling frequency and the frequency contents of the continuous-time signal.

Example



Theorem (Shannon Sampling Theorem)

An analogue signal $w(t)$, whose Fourier transform is zero outside the interval $[-\omega_0, \omega_0]$, is completely defined by its sampled value $\{w(kh)\}$ if the sampling frequency satisfies

$$\omega_e > 2\omega_0$$

The signal $w(t)$ can be reconstructed by :

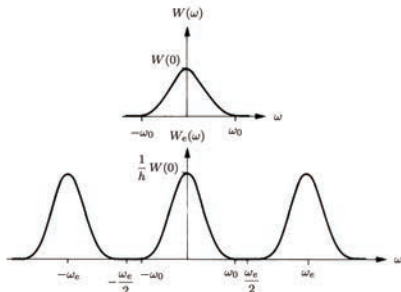
$$w(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} w(kh) \operatorname{sinc} \left(\frac{\omega_e(t - kh)}{2} \right)$$

Remark : This theorem is one of the most important results in the fields of information theory, communication and engineering.

Sampling Theorem

Proof : Let $W(\omega)$ be the Fourier transform of $w(t)$ and $W_e(\omega)$ a periodic function with period $\omega_e = \frac{2\pi}{h}$ defined as :

$$W_e(\omega) = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} W(\omega + i\omega_e) \quad \text{and} \quad w(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$



This periodic function can be represented by a Fourier series :

$$W_e(\omega) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{-jkh\omega} \quad \text{and} \quad c_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\frac{\omega_e}{2}}^{\frac{\omega_e}{2}} h W_e(\omega) e^{jkh\omega} d\omega$$

Sampling Theorem

Proof (suit) : Given the fact that

$$W(\omega) = \begin{cases} hW_e(\omega) & \text{for } |\omega| \leq \frac{\omega_e}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } |\omega| > \frac{\omega_e}{2} \end{cases} \Rightarrow c_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W(\omega) e^{jkh\omega} d\omega$$

But, $c_k = w(kh)$, therefore :

$$W_e(\omega) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} w(kh) e^{-jkh\omega}$$

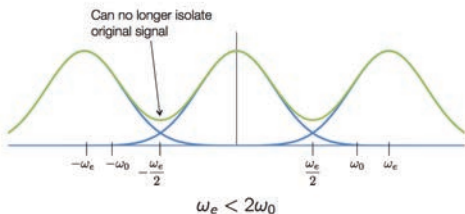
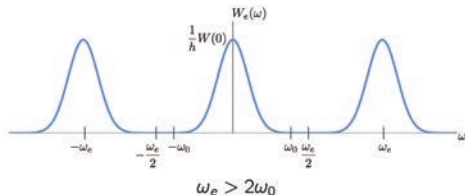
$W_e(\omega)$ can be computed only with information on sampled signal $w(kh)$

Now, we compute (recover) the signal $w(t)$:

$$\begin{aligned} w(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega = \frac{h}{2\pi} \int_{-\frac{\omega_e}{2}}^{\frac{\omega_e}{2}} W_e(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega \\ &= \frac{h}{2\pi} \int_{-\frac{\omega_e}{2}}^{\frac{\omega_e}{2}} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} w(kh) e^{-jkh\omega} e^{j\omega t} d\omega = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} w(kh) \frac{h}{2\pi} \int_{-\frac{\omega_e}{2}}^{\frac{\omega_e}{2}} e^{j(t-kh)\omega} d\omega \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} w(kh) \frac{h}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{rect}(\omega_e) e^{j(t-kh)\omega} d\omega = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} w(kh) \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega_e(t-kh)}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

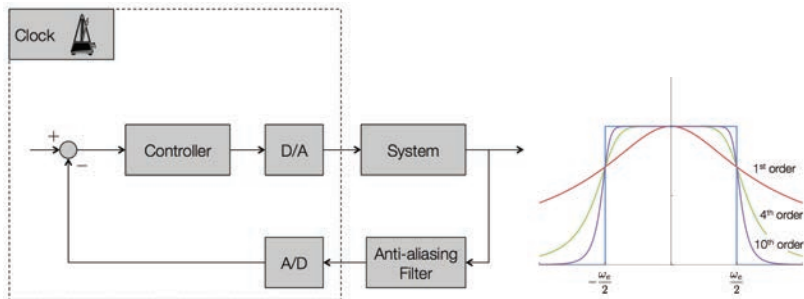
Anti-aliasing Filter

What happens if the sampling frequency is not large enough?



Apply a lowpass analog filter to cut all frequencies greater than $\omega_e/2$.
This filter is called the anti-aliasing filter.

Anti-aliasing Filter



- Real signals are not band limited so there is always an aliasing effect.
- Anti-aliasing filter should be applied **before** sampling.
- A perfect lowpass filter does not exist.
- Higher order filters give better attenuation but introduce more phase lag or delay in the signal (there is always a trade-off).

Reconstruction

Reconstruction is to recover the analogue signal $w(t)$ from its samples $\{w(kh)\}$.

Shannon reconstruction : is based on the Shannon Theorem.

$$w(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} w(kh) \operatorname{sinc} \left(\frac{\omega_e(t - kh)}{2} \right)$$

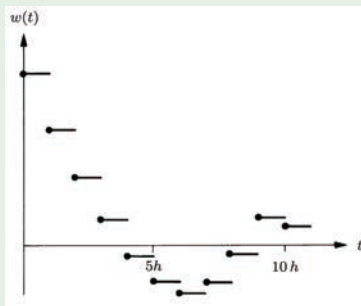
- It is too complicated.
- It can only be applied in off-line applications in signal processing.
- It cannot be applied in real-time because the computation of $w(t)$ depends the future samples $w(kh)$, $kh > t$.
- In control applications an approximation of $w(t)$ is constructed by a **hold** function.

Zero-Order-Hold (ZOH)

The signal remains constant between two samples.

$$w(t) = w(kh) \quad t \in [kh, kh + h[$$

Example (ZOH)



Remark : Fast variations at the sampling instants add high frequency contents to the signal but they are usually filtered by the process dynamics, which is a lowpass filter.

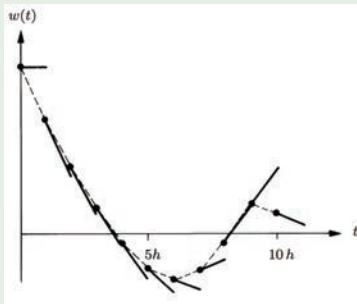
Reconstruction

First-Order-Hold

The signal is approximated by a linear extrapolation.

$$w(t) = w(kh) + \frac{t - kh}{h} (w(kh) - w(kh - h)) \quad t \in [kh, kh + h[$$

Example (FOH)



Remark : First-order-hold reduces the jumps in the signal but will amplify the noise effect because of its derivative action.

According to Shannon Theorem : The sampling frequency should be greater than $2\omega_0$. However,

- The physical signals are not band limited ($\omega_0 = \infty$).
- The Shannon reconstruction cannot be used in real-time applications.
- In control applications, the sampling frequency is chosen according to the frequency response of the desired closed-loop system (a low pass filter). It is usually chosen 20 to 50 times of the desired closed-loop bandwidth.
- The sampling period can be chosen from the step response. The rule of thumb is to have between 5 to 10 samples during the rise-time.
- The sampling frequency should not be too large to avoid the numerical problems and hardware costs.

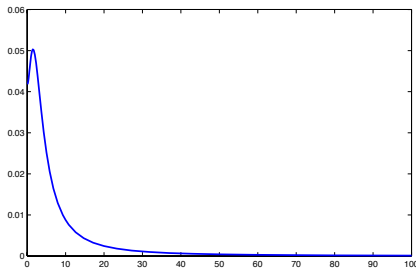
Choice of Sampling Period

Sampling Period

Find a sampling period for the control of following system :

$$G(s) = \frac{s + 1}{(s + 2)(s + 3)(s + 4)}$$

1. Frequency response in a linear scale : $\omega_e > 2\omega_0$

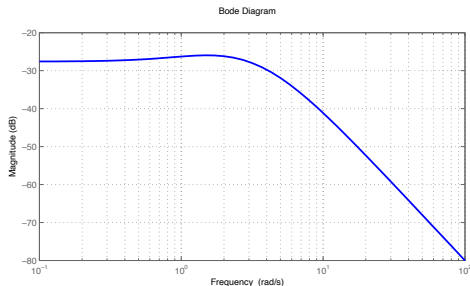


- (A) : $\omega_e \approx 20$ rad/s
- (B) : $\omega_e \approx 100$ rad/s
- (C) : $\omega_e \approx 200$ rad/s
- (D) : $\omega_e \approx 1000$ rad/s

Choice of Sampling Period

Sampling Period

2. Bode diagram : $\omega_e = (20 \text{ to } 50) \times \text{Bandwidth}$

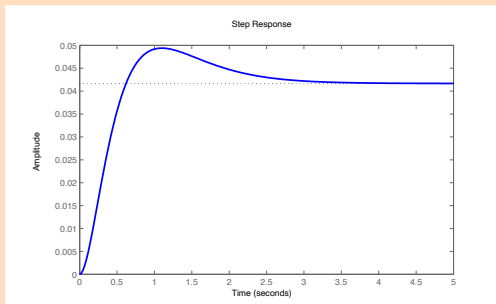


- (A) : $\omega_e \approx (10 \text{ to } 50) \text{ rad/s}$
- (B) : $\omega_e \approx (20 \text{ to } 100) \text{ rad/s}$
- (C) : $\omega_e \approx (80 \text{ to } 200) \text{ rad/s}$
- (D) : $\omega_e \approx (120 \text{ to } 300) \text{ rad/s}$

Choice of Sampling Period

Sampling Period

3. Step Response : (5 to 10) samples during the rise time.



(A) : $h \approx (0.05 \text{ to } 0.1) \text{ s}$

(B) : $h \approx (0.01 \text{ to } 0.02) \text{ s}$

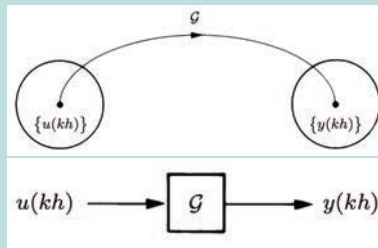
(C) : $h \approx (0.2 \text{ to } 0.4) \text{ s}$

(D) : $h \approx (0.5 \text{ to } 1) \text{ s}$

Discrete-Time Systems

Discrete-time systems

A discrete system maps a discrete signal to a discrete signal.



Dynamic system

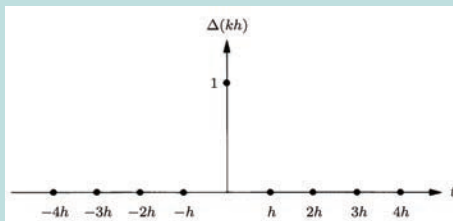
The output at instant k_0h depends on the present and past inputs $\{u(kh) : k \leq k_0\}$.

Discrete-Time Systems

Unit impulse

Unit impulse or Kronecker delta is a discrete signal defined as :

$$\Delta(kh) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq 0 \end{cases}$$



Impulse Response

The response of a discrete system \mathcal{G} to a unit impulse is called the impulse response and is given by $\{g(kh)\}$.

Linear system

A linear system follows the superposition principle.

$$\mathcal{G}(\{u_1(kh)\} + \{u_2(kh)\}) = \mathcal{G}(\{u_1(kh)\}) + \mathcal{G}(\{u_2(kh)\})$$

$$\mathcal{G}(a\{u(kh)\}) = a\mathcal{G}(\{u(kh)\})$$

Time-invariant System

A discrete system \mathcal{G} is stationary or time-invariant if its response to a shifted unit impulse by dh is shifted by dh :

$$\{\Delta(kh)\} \rightarrow \{g(kh)\} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \{\Delta(kh + dh)\} \rightarrow \{g(kh + dh)\} \quad \forall d \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Discrete-Time Systems

Theorem (Convolution Product)

The response of a Linear Time-Invariant (LTI) system to any input is given by the following convolution product :

$$y(kh) = u(kh) * g(kh) = \sum_{\ell=0}^k u(\ell h)g(kh - \ell h)$$

Proof : Any input signal can be written as the shifted sum of weighted unit impulses $\{u(kh)\} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} u(\ell h)\{\Delta(kh - \ell h)\}$. Using the properties of LTI systems

we have

$$\begin{aligned}\{y(kh)\} &= \mathcal{G}\{u(kh)\} = \mathcal{G}\left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} u(\ell h)\{\Delta(kh - \ell h)\}\right) \\ &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} u(\ell h)\mathcal{G}\{\Delta(kh - \ell h)\} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} u(\ell h)\{g(kh - \ell h)\}\end{aligned}$$

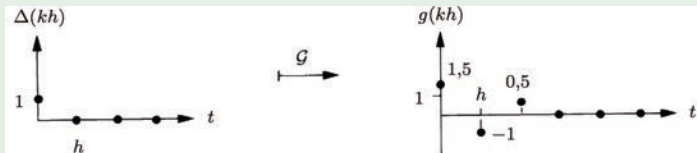
Because of the system's causality, the output at instant kh can be written as :

$$y(kh) = \sum_{\ell=0}^k u(\ell h)g(kh - \ell h)$$

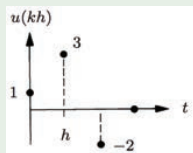
Discrete-Time Systems

Example

Given the impulse response of a discrete system as



Compute the response of the system to the following input.

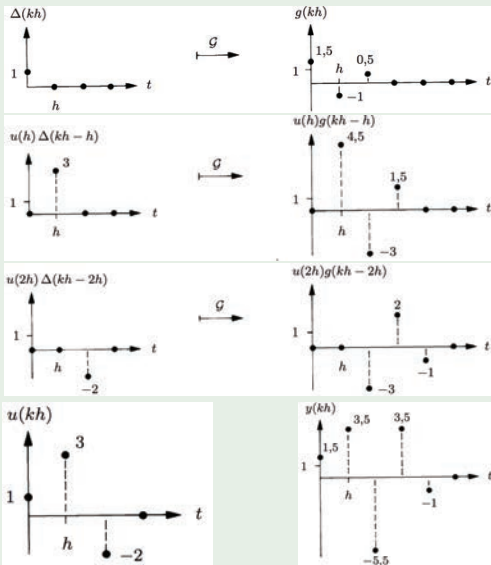


The input signal at instant kh can be written as :

$$u(kh) = \Delta(kh) + 3\Delta(kh - h) - 2\Delta(kh - 2h)$$

Discrete-Time Systems

Example



Discrete-Time Systems

Usually the simplified notation $u(k)$ is used instead of $u(kh)$

Properties of convolution

Commutativity :

$$u(k) * v(k) = v(k) * u(k)$$

Distributivity :

$$u(k) * (v(k) + w(k)) = u(k) * v(k) + u(k) * w(k)$$

Associativity :

$$u(k) * (v(k) * w(k)) = (u(k) * v(k)) * w(k)$$

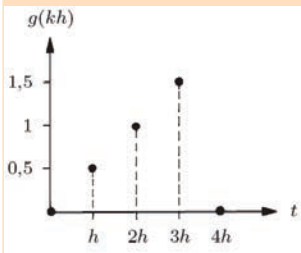
Identity : The identity element is the unit impulse.

$$u(k) * \Delta(k) = u(k)$$

Discrete-Time Systems

Question

The impulse response $\{g(kh)\}$ of an LTI system is given. Compute the response of the system when excited by the signal $\{1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, \dots\}$.



- (A) $\{y(kh)\} = \{0, 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3, 3.5, \dots\}$
- (B) $\{y(kh)\} = \{0, 0.5, 1.5, 2.5, 3, 2.5, 1.5, 0, 0, \dots\}$
- (C) $\{y(kh)\} = \{0, 0.5, 1.5, 3, 3, 2.5, 1.5, 0, 0, \dots\}$
- (D) $\{y(kh)\} = \{0, 0.5, 1, 1.5, 0.5, 1, 1.5, 0.5, 1, \dots\}$

Linear Difference Equation

A linear difference equation with constant coefficients of order n represents the relation between the successive values of input and output of a system :

$$\begin{aligned} y(k) + a_1 y(k-1) + \cdots + a_n y(k-n) \\ = b_0 u(k) + b_1 u(k-1) + \cdots + b_m u(k-m) \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently by :

$$y(k) = - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i y(k-i) + \sum_{j=0}^m b_j u(k-j)$$

- If all of the initial conditions $y(-1), y(-2), \dots, y(-n)$ and the values of $u(-1), u(-2), \dots, u(-n)$ are zeros, the output at each instant can be computed recursively based only on the past inputs.
- Systems defined by linear difference equations are LTI systems.

Delay operator

The delay operator q^{-n} is a function that maps the discrete signal $\{w(k)\}$ to $\{w(k-n)\}$:

$$q^{-n}\{w(k)\} = \{w(k-n)\}$$

Therefore a difference equation can be represented as :

$$(1 + a_1q^{-1} + a_2q^{-2} + \cdots + a_nq^{-n})y(k) = (b_0 + b_1q^{-1} + \cdots + b_mq^{-m})u(k)$$

Example

Show the difference equation of a PD controller by the delay operator :

$$u(k) = K_p \left(e(k) + T_d \frac{e(k) - e(k-1)}{h} \right)$$

$$u(k) = \left(K_p + \frac{K_p T_d (1 - q^{-1})}{h} \right) e(k)$$

The z-Transform

Continuous-time and discrete-time systems are very similar

Continuous time System	Discrete-time System
$g(t)$: Response to a Dirac impulse	$g(k)$: Response to a unit impulse
Convolution integral	Convolution sum
$y(t) = \int_0^t u(\tau)g(t - \tau)d\tau$	$y(k) = \sum_{\ell=0}^k u(\ell)g(k - \ell)$
Differential equation	Difference equation
$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + ay(t) = bu(t)$	$y(k) + cy(k - 1) = du(k)$
Laplace Transform	
$Y(s) = \mathcal{L}(y(t))$	
Transfer function	?
$G(s) = \mathcal{L}(g(t))$	
$Y(s) = G(s)U(s)$	

The z-Transform

z-Transform

The z transform of a discrete signal $\{w(kh)\}$ is denoted by $W(z)$ or $\mathcal{Z}\{w(kh)\}$ and is defined by the following sum, where z is a complex variable $z \in \mathbb{C}$:

$$W(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{w(kh)\} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w(kh)z^{-k}$$

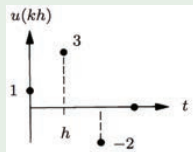
Remarks :

- This is a unilateral transformation (from $k = 0$). In control theory, it is supposed that $w(kh) = 0, \forall k < 0$.
- The region of convergence is a set in the complex plane for which the z-transform summation converges.
- There exists a real number $r \geq 0$ such that the above sum converges for all $|z| > r$ and diverges for all $|z| < r$. The number r is called the convergence radius.

The z-Transform

Example

Compute the z-transform of the following signal :



$$\mathcal{Z}\{u(kh)\} = 1 + 3z^{-1} - 2z^{-2} \quad |z| > 0 = r$$

Example

Compute the z-transform of the following signal :

$$w(k) = a^k \quad a \in \mathbb{C}, \quad a \neq 0 \quad k \geq 0$$

$$\mathcal{Z}\{a^k\} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a^k z^{-k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (az^{-1})^k = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} = \frac{z}{z - a} \quad |z| > |a| = r$$

Properties of the z-Transform

Theorem (Linearity)

The z-transform is a linear operator, i.e.

$$\mathcal{Z}\{w_1(k) + w_2(k)\} = \mathcal{Z}\{w_1(k)\} + \mathcal{Z}\{w_2(k)\}$$

$$\mathcal{Z}\{aw_1(k)\} = a\mathcal{Z}\{w_1(k)\}$$

The ROC of $\mathcal{Z}\{w_1(k) + w_2(k)\}$ is the intersection of the ROC $\mathcal{Z}\{w_1(k)\}$ and $\mathcal{Z}\{w_2(k)\}$.

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Z}\{w_1(k) + w_2(k)\} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (w_1(k) + w_2(k))z^{-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w_1(k)z^{-k} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w_2(k)z^{-k} = \mathcal{Z}\{w_1(k)\} + \mathcal{Z}\{w_2(k)\} \\ \mathcal{Z}\{aw_1(k)\} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} aw_1(k)z^{-k} = a \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w_1(k)z^{-k} = a\mathcal{Z}\{w_1(k)\}\end{aligned}$$

Properties of the z-Transform

Example

Compute the z-transform of $w(kh) = \sin(\omega kh)$.

Because of the linearity of the z-transform, we have :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Z}\{\sin(\omega kh)\} &= \mathcal{Z}\left\{\frac{e^{j\omega kh} - e^{-j\omega kh}}{2j}\right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2j} (\mathcal{Z}\{e^{j\omega kh}\} - \mathcal{Z}\{e^{-j\omega kh}\})\end{aligned}$$

Taking $a = e^{j\omega h}$ then $a = e^{-j\omega h}$ and using the result of the previous example, we have

$$\mathcal{Z}\{\sin(\omega kh)\} = \frac{1}{2j} \left(\frac{z}{z - e^{j\omega h}} - \frac{z}{z - e^{-j\omega h}} \right) = \frac{\sin(\omega h)z}{z^2 - 2\cos(\omega h)z + 1}$$

Properties of the z-Transform

Question

Compute the z-transform of $w(kh) = \cos(\omega kh)$.

- (A) $\frac{\cos(\omega h)z}{z^2 - 2 \sin(\omega h)z + 1}$ (B) $\frac{2z^2 - 2 \cos(\omega h)z}{z^2 - 2 \cos(\omega h)z + 1}$
- bf(C) $\frac{z^2 - \cos(\omega h)z}{z^2 - 2 \cos(\omega h)z + 1}$ (D) $\frac{z^2 + \cos(\omega h)z}{z^2 - 2 \sin(\omega h)z + 1}$

Properties of the z-Transform

Theorem (Time delay)

The z-transform of a delayed discrete signal is given by :

$$\mathcal{Z}\{w(k-d)\} = z^{-d}\mathcal{Z}\{w(k)\} = z^{-d}W(z) \quad \text{where} \quad d \in \mathbb{N}$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Z}\{w(k-d)\} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w(k-d)z^{-k} = z^{-d} \sum_{k=d}^{\infty} w(k-d)z^{-(k-d)} \\ &= z^{-d} \sum_{k'=0}^{\infty} w(k')z^{-k'} = z^{-d}W(z)\end{aligned}$$

Example

$$\mathcal{Z}\{\Delta(k-1)\} = z^{-1}$$

Note that $\mathcal{Z}\{\Delta(k-1)\}$ is not defined for $z = 0$, while $\mathcal{Z}\{\Delta(k)\}$ it is.

Properties of the z-Transform

Theorem (Complex Derivative)

The z-transform has the following property :

$$\mathcal{Z}\{kw(k)\} = -z \frac{dW(z)}{dz}$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned} -z \frac{dW(z)}{dz} &= -z \frac{d}{dz} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w(k)z^{-k} = z \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} kw(k)z^{-k-1} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} kw(k)z^{-k} = \mathcal{Z}\{kw(k)\} \end{aligned}$$

Example

Knowing that the z transform of the unit step, $w(k) = 1, k \geq 0$ is given by $W(z) = \frac{z}{z-1}$, find the z-transform of a ramp signal $r(k) = k$.

$$\mathcal{Z}\{r(k)\} = \mathcal{Z}\{kw(k)\} = -z \frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{z}{z-1} \right) = \frac{z}{(z-1)^2}$$

Properties of the z-Transform

Theorem (Initial Value)

The initial value $w(0)$ of a discrete signal $\{w(k)\}$ can be evaluated from $W(z)$ using :

$$w(0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} W(z)$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} W(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n w(k) z^{-k} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n w(k) z^{-k} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} w(0) = w(0) \end{aligned}$$

Example

Compute the initial value of $w(k)$, where

$$W(z) = \frac{b_0 z + b_1}{z + a_1}$$

$$w(0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} W(z) = b_0$$

Properties of the z-Transform

Consider the following rational function :

$$W(z) = \frac{b_0 z^m + b_1 z^{m-1} + \dots + b_m}{z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n}$$

Properness

$W(z)$ is called **proper** if $n \geq m$, **strictly proper** if $n > m$ and **biproper** if $n = m$.

zero/pole

The roots of the denominators are called the **poles** and the roots of the numerator the **zeros** of $W(z)$.

Monic Polynomials

The polynomial in the denominator is called **monic** because the coefficient of z^n is equal to 1. The rational functions, without loss of generality are usually represented by a monic denominator.

Properties of the z-Transform

Theorem (Final Value)

If $W(z)$ is a proper rational function with all poles inside the unit circle, except possibly one simple pole at 1, then

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} w(k) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z - 1)W(z)$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z - 1)W(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{z - 1}{z} W(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (1 - z^{-1})W(z) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \sum_{k=0}^n (w(k) - w(k-1))z^{-k} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n (w(k) - w(k-1)) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (w(0) - 0 + w(1) - w(0) + \cdots + w(n) - w(n-1)) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} w(n) \end{aligned}$$

Final Value

Find the final value of $w(k)$ if $W(z) = \frac{0.5z}{(z-1)(z-0.5)}$.

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| (A) $w(\infty) = -1$ | (B) $w(\infty) = 0$ |
| (C) $w(\infty) = \infty$ | (D) $w(\infty) = 1$ |

Final Value

Find the final value of $w(k)$ if $W(z) = \frac{z}{z+2}$.

- (A) $w(\infty) = 1/3$ (B) $w(\infty) = 0$
(C) $w(\infty) = \infty$ (D) None of the above

Properties of the z-Transform

Theorem (Convolution)

$$y(k) = \sum_{\ell=0}^k u(\ell)g(k-\ell) \quad \Rightarrow \quad Y(z) = G(z)U(z)$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned} G(z)U(z) &= \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} g(k)z^{-k} \right) \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u(k)z^{-k} \right) \\ &= (g(0) + g(1)z^{-1} + \dots)(u(0) + u(1)z^{-1} + \dots) \\ &= u(0)g(0) + (u(0)g(1) + u(1)g(0))z^{-1} \\ &\quad + (u(0)g(2) + u(1)g(1) + u(2)g(0))z^{-2} + \dots \\ &\quad + \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^k u(\ell)g(k-\ell) \right) z^{-k} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^k u(\ell)g(k-\ell) \right) z^{-k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} y(k)z^{-k} = Y(z) \end{aligned}$$

Properties of the z-Transform

Example

Compute the z-transform of the accumulative sum of a signal.

Solution : Take $u(k)$ as a discrete unit step with $U(z) = \frac{z}{z-1}$. Then

$$\mathcal{Z} \left\{ \sum_{\ell=0}^k w(\ell) \right\} = \mathcal{Z} \left\{ \sum_{\ell=0}^k u(\ell)w(k-\ell) \right\} = U(z)W(z) = \frac{z}{z-1}W(z)$$

A pole at 1 represents the integrator effect.

Example

Compute the z-transform of the difference between two consecutive samples of a discrete signal.

Solution : $\mathcal{Z}\{w(k) - w(k-1)\} = W(z) - z^{-1}W(z) = \frac{z-1}{z}W(z)$

A zero at 1 represents the derivative effect.

Table of z-Transforms

Tableau 4.3 Dictionnaire des transformées de Laplace et en z .

$w(t)$	$\mathcal{L}(w(t))$	$w(kh)$	$\mathcal{Z}\{w(kh)\}$
$\delta(t)$	1		
		$\Delta(kh)$	1
1	$\frac{1}{s}$	1	$\frac{z}{z-1}$
t	$\frac{1}{s^2}$	kh	$\frac{hz}{(z-1)^2}$
$\frac{1}{2}t^2$	$\frac{1}{s^3}$	$\frac{1}{2}(kh)^2$	$\frac{h^2 z(z+1)}{2(z-1)^3}$
e^{-at}	$\frac{1}{s+a}$	e^{-akh}	$\frac{z}{z-e^{-ah}}$
te^{-at}	$\frac{1}{(s+a)^2}$	$kh e^{-akh}$	$\frac{h e^{-ah} z}{(z-e^{-ah})^2}$

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$\sin(\omega t)$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$	$\sin(\omega kh)$	$\frac{\sin(\omega h)z}{z^2 - 2\cos(\omega h)z + 1}$
$\cos(\omega t)$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$	$\cos(\omega kh)$	$\frac{z(z - \cos(\omega h))}{z^2 - 2\cos(\omega h)z + 1}$
$e^{-at} \sin(\omega t)$	$\frac{\omega}{(s + a)^2 + \omega^2}$	$e^{-akh} \sin(\omega kh)$	$\frac{e^{-ah} \sin(\omega h)z}{z^2 - 2e^{-ah} \cos(\omega h)z + e^{-2ah}}$
$e^{-at} \cos(\omega t)$	$\frac{s + a}{(s + a)^2 + \omega^2}$	$e^{-akh} \cos(\omega kh)$	$\frac{z(z - e^{-ah} \cos(\omega h))}{z^2 - 2e^{-ah} \cos(\omega h)z + e^{-2ah}}$
		a^k	$\frac{z}{z - a}$
		ka^{k-1}	$\frac{z}{(z - a)^2}$
		$\frac{1}{2} k(k-1)a^{k-2}$	$\frac{z}{(z - a)^3}$

Inverse z-transform

The inverse z-transform of a function $W : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a discrete signal $w(k)$, denoted by $\mathcal{Z}^{-1}(W(z))$ such that $\mathcal{Z}\{w(k)\} = W(z)$.

Example

Compute the inverse z-transform of $W(z) = \frac{3}{(z+1)(z-2)}$

Solution : We use a similar method to the inverse of Laplace transform.

$$\frac{W(z)}{z} = \frac{3}{z(z+1)(z-2)} = -\frac{1.5}{z} + \frac{1}{z+1} + \frac{0.5}{z-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow W(z) = -1.5 + \frac{z}{z+1} + \frac{0.5z}{z-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow w(k) = -1.5\Delta(k) + (-1)^k + 0.5(2)^k \quad k \geq 0$$

Computing the inverse z-transform of a rational function :

$$W(z) = \frac{b_0 z^m + b_1 z^{m-1} + \dots + b_m}{z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n}$$

- 1 Compute the poles p_1 to p_n , where $p_i \in \mathbb{C}$.
- 2 Re-write $W(z)$ in the following form :

$$W(z) = c_0 + \frac{c_1 z}{z - p_1} + \frac{c_2 z}{z - p_2} + \dots + \frac{c_n z}{z - p_n}$$

- 3 Take $c_0 = W(0)$ and compute the constants $c_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ by :

$$c_i = \lim_{z \rightarrow p_i} \left(\frac{z - p_i}{z} W(z) \right)$$

- 4 Compute the inverse transform from the Table.

$$w(k) = c_0 \Delta(k) + c_1 p_1^k + c_2 p_2^k + \dots + c_n p_n^k \quad k \geq 0$$

Example

Compute the inverse z-transform of $W(z) = \frac{z+3}{z^2-3z+2}$.

- 1 Compute the poles : $z^2 - 3z + 2 = (z-1)(z-2)$.
- 2 Re-write $W(z) = c_0 + \frac{c_1 z}{z-1} + \frac{c_2 z}{z-2}$
- 3 Take $c_0 = W(0) = 1.5$ and compute c_1 and c_2 :

$$c_1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{z-1}{z} \frac{z+3}{(z-1)(z-2)} \right) = -4$$

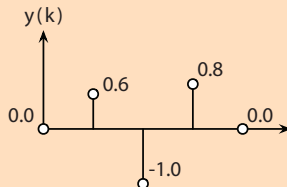
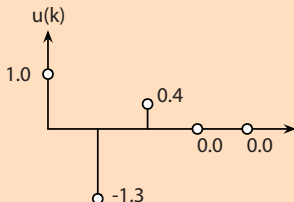
$$c_2 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{z-2}{z} \frac{z+3}{(z-1)(z-2)} \right) = 2.5$$

- 4 Compute $w(k)$ from the Table :

$$w(k) = 1.5\Delta(k) - 4 + 2.5(2)^k \quad k \geq 0$$

Question : Exam 2015

Soit $u(k)$ et $y(k)$, respectivement, l'entrée et la sortie d'un système discret :



1 Trouver la fonction de transfert du système.

- (A) $\frac{0.6z^2 - z + 0.8}{z(z^2 - 1.3z + 0.4)}$ (B) $\frac{0.6z^2 - z + 0.8}{z^2 - 1.3z + 0.4}$
- (C) $\frac{z^2 - 1.3z + 0.4}{z(0.6z^2 - z + 0.8)}$ (D) None of the above

Question : Exam 2015

1 Calculer la réponse indicielle (*step response*) du système.

- (A) $y(k) = 2 - 8(-0.8)^k + 6(-0.5)^k$
- (B) $y(k) = 2 - 8(0.8)^k + 6(0.5)^k$
- (C) $y(k) = -2\Delta(k) + 4 - 8(0.8)^k + 6(0.5)^k$
- (D) None of the above

There are three special cases :

1 Complex poles

$$W(z) = \dots + \frac{cz}{z - p} + \frac{c'z}{z - \bar{p}} + \dots$$

where \bar{p} is the complex conjugates of p .

2 Multiple poles at zero

$$W(z) = c_0 + \frac{c_1}{z} + \frac{c_2}{z^2} + \dots + \frac{c_\ell}{z^\ell} + \dots$$

3 Multiple non-zero poles

$$W(z) = \dots + \frac{c_1 z}{(z - p)} + \frac{c_2 z}{(z - p)^2} + \dots + \frac{c_\ell z}{(z - p)^\ell} + \dots$$

Inverse z-Transform

1. Complex poles : $W(z) = \dots + \frac{cz}{z-p} + \frac{c'z}{z-\bar{p}} + \dots$

We have

$$c = \lim_{z \rightarrow p} \left(\frac{z-p}{z} W(z) \right) \quad c' = \lim_{z \rightarrow \bar{p}} \left(\frac{z-\bar{p}}{z} W(z) \right)$$

Since $W(z)$ has real coefficients, $c' = \bar{c}$. Then,

$$w(k) = \dots + cp^k + \bar{c}\bar{p}^k + \dots \quad k \geq 0$$

If we take $p = re^{j\omega}$, $c = x + jy$ and $\phi = \arctan(y/x)$, we obtain :

$$\begin{aligned} w(k) &= \dots + (x + jy)r^k e^{jk\omega} + (x - jy)r^k e^{-jk\omega} + \dots \\ &= \dots + r^k x (e^{jk\omega} + e^{-jk\omega}) + jr^k y (e^{jk\omega} - e^{-jk\omega}) + \dots \\ &= \dots + r^k (2x \cos(k\omega) - 2y \sin(k\omega)) + \dots \\ &= \dots + 2|c|r^k \cos(k\omega + \phi) + \dots \quad k \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Inverse z-Transform

Example (Complex poles)

Compute the inverse z-transform for $W(z) = \frac{3z^2 + 0.5z}{z^2 - z + 0.5}$

- ① Compute the poles :

$$z^2 - z + 0.5 = (z - (0.5 + 0.5j))(z - (0.5 - 0.5j)).$$

- ② Re-write $W(z) = c_0 + \frac{cz}{z - (0.5 + 0.5j)} + \frac{\bar{c}z}{z - (0.5 - 0.5j)}$

- ③ Take $c_0 = W(0) = 0$ and

$$c = \lim_{z \rightarrow (0.5 + 0.5j)} \left(\frac{z - (0.5 + 0.5j)}{z} \frac{3z^2 + 0.5z}{z^2 - z + 0.5} \right) = 1.5 - 2j$$

- ④ Take $p = 0.5 + 0.5j = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} e^{j\frac{\pi}{4}}$.

- ⑤ Finally : $w(k) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^k \left(3 \cos \left(k \frac{\pi}{4} \right) + 4 \sin \left(k \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \right) \quad k \geq 0$

Inverse z-Transform

2. Multiple poles at zero : $W(z) = c_0 + \frac{c_1}{z} + \frac{c_2}{z^2} + \cdots + \frac{c_\ell}{z^\ell} + \cdots$

We have

$$z^\ell W(z) = c_0 z^\ell + c_1 z^{\ell-1} + c_2 z^{\ell-2} + \cdots + c_{\ell-1} z + c_\ell + \cdots$$

Therefore : $c_\ell = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^\ell W(z)$. Let's take the derivative of $z^\ell W(z)$:

$$\frac{d}{dz} z^\ell W(z) = c_0 \ell z^{\ell-1} + c_1 (\ell-1) z^{\ell-2} + \cdots + 2c_{\ell-2} z + c_{\ell-1} + \cdots$$

Then : $c_{\ell-1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{dz} z^\ell W(z)$. For the general case :

$$c_{\ell-i} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{i!} \frac{d^i}{dz^i} (z^\ell W(z)) \right) \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, \ell-1$$

From the Table $\mathcal{Z}^{-1}\{z^{-i}\} = \Delta(k-i)$ and therefore

$$w(k) = \cdots + c_0 \Delta(k) + c_1 \Delta(k-1) + c_2 \Delta(k-2) + \cdots + c_\ell \Delta(k-\ell) + \cdots \quad k \geq 0$$

Inverse z-Transform

Example (Multiple poles at zero)

Compute the inverse z-transform for $W(z) = \frac{(z+1)}{z^2(z-1)}$

① Re-write ($\ell = 2$) $W(z) = c_0 + \frac{c_1}{z} + \frac{c_2}{z^2} + \frac{c_3 z}{(z-1)}$

② Use the given formula to compute the constants :

$$c_2 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \left(z^2 \frac{(z+1)}{z^2(z-1)} \right) = -1$$

$$c_1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{d}{dz} \left(z^2 \frac{(z+1)}{z^2(z-1)} \right) \right) = -2$$

$$c_0 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} \left(z^2 \frac{(z+1)}{z^2(z-1)} \right) \right) = -2$$

$$c_3 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{z-1}{z} \frac{(z+1)}{z^2(z-1)} \right) = 2$$

③ Finally : $w(k) = -2\Delta(k) - 2\Delta(k-1) - \Delta(k-2) + 2 \quad k \geq 0$

3. Multiple non-zero poles :

$$W(z) = \cdots + \frac{c_1 z}{(z-p)} + \frac{c_2 z}{(z-p)^2} + \cdots + \frac{c_\ell z}{(z-p)^\ell} + \cdots$$

We have

$$\frac{(z-p)^\ell}{z} W(z) = \cdots + c_1 (z-p)^{\ell-1} + c_2 (z-p)^{\ell-2} + \cdots + c_\ell + \cdots$$

Therefore : $c_\ell = \lim_{z \rightarrow p} \frac{(z-p)^\ell}{z} W(z)$. Let's take the following derivative :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{(z-p)^\ell}{z} W(z) \right) &= \cdots + c_1 (\ell-1) (z-p)^{\ell-2} + c_2 (\ell-2) (z-p)^{\ell-2} \\ &\quad + \cdots + 2c_{\ell-2} (z-p) + c_{\ell-1} + \cdots \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore : } c_{\ell-1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow p} \frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{(z-p)^\ell}{z} W(z) \right).$$

3. Multiple non-zero poles (suit) : For the general case we have

$$c_{\ell-i} = \lim_{z \rightarrow p} \left(\frac{1}{i!} \frac{d^i}{dz^i} \left(\frac{(z-p)^\ell}{z} W(z) \right) \right) \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, \ell - 1$$

From the Table we have

$$\mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{z}{(z-p)^2} \right\} = kp^{k-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{z}{(z-p)^3} \right\} = \frac{1}{2}k(k-1)p^{k-2}$$

For the general case we have :

$$\mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{z}{(z-p)^\ell} \right\} = \frac{1}{(\ell-1)!} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{\ell-2} (k-i) \right) p^{k-\ell+1}$$

Therefore

$$w(k) = \dots + c_1 p^k + c_2 k p^{k-1} + \dots + \frac{c_\ell}{(\ell-1)!} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{\ell-2} (k-i) \right) p^{k-\ell+1} + \dots \quad k \geq 0$$

Inverse z-Transform

Example (Multiple non-zero poles)

Compute the inverse z-transform for $W(z) = \frac{z^3 - 2z^2 + 2z}{(z-1)^2(z-2)}$

① Re-write $W(z) = c_0 + \frac{c_1 z}{z-1} + \frac{c_2 z}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{c_3 z}{(z-2)}$

② Take $c_0 = W(0) = 0$ and

$$c_2 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{(z-1)^2}{z} \frac{z^3 - 2z^2 + 2z}{(z-1)^2(z-2)} \right) = -1$$

$$c_1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{(z-1)^2}{z} \frac{z^3 - 2z^2 + 2z}{(z-1)^2(z-2)} \right) \right) = -1$$

$$c_3 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{z-2}{z} \frac{z^3 - 2z^2 + 2z}{(z-1)^2(z-2)} \right) = 2$$

③ Finally : $w(k) = -1 - k + 2^{k+1} \quad k \geq 0$

Alternate method to compute the constants :

Step 1 : Consider the expansion of $W(z)$:

$$W(z) = c_0 + c_1 V_1(z) + c_2 V_2(z) + \cdots$$

where $V_i(z) = \frac{z}{(z - p_i)^{n_i}}$. This expression is linear in

$$C = [c_0, c_1, \dots, c_m]^T.$$

Step 2 : Choose z_0, z_1, \dots, z_m different from the poles $z_j \neq p_i$.

Step 3 : Solve the following system of linear equations :

$$\begin{bmatrix} W(z_0) \\ W(z_1) \\ \vdots \\ W(z_m) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & V_1(z_0) & V_2(z_0) & \cdots \\ 1 & V_1(z_1) & V_2(z_1) & \cdots \\ 1 & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & V_1(z_m) & V_2(z_m) & \cdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse z-Transform

Theorem (Numerical inverse z-transform)

Let $W(z)$ be a rational function as :

$$W(z) = \frac{b_0 z^n + b_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + b_n}{z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n}$$

The inverse z-transform can be generated by the following recursive difference equation

$$w(k) = b_k - \sum_{\ell=1}^n a_{\ell} w(k - \ell)$$

where $b_i = 0$ for $i > n$.

Proof : From the rational function, we have :

$$b_0 z^n + b_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + b_n = (z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n) W(z)$$

Multiplying both sides by z^{-n}

$$b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_n z^{-n} = (1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_n z^{-n}) W(z)$$

Inverse z-Transform

Proof (suit) : Computing the inverse z-transform, we have :

$$b_0\Delta(k) + b_1\Delta(k-1) + \cdots + b_n\Delta(k-n) = \\ w(k) + a_1w(k-1) + \cdots + a_nw(k-n)$$

The left side is equal to b_k . So we have :

$$b_k = w(k) + \sum_{\ell=1}^n a_{\ell}w(k-\ell) \quad \Rightarrow \quad w(k) = b_k - \sum_{\ell=1}^n a_{\ell}w(k-\ell)$$

Example

Find the inverse z-transform of $W(z)$ by a recursive difference equation.

$$W(z) = \frac{z^3 - 2z^2 + 2z}{z^3 - 4z^2 + 5z - 2}$$

Solution : With $a_1 = -4, a_2 = 5, a_3 = -2, b_0 = 1, b_1 = -2$ and $b_2 = 2$:

$$w(0) = 1, w(1) = 2, w(2) = 5, w(3) = 12, w(4) = 27, \dots$$

Question

Find using numerical inversion the inverse Z transform of

$$W(z) = \frac{z + 3}{z^2 - 3z + 2}$$

- (A) $\{w(k)\} = \{\dots, \mathbf{1}, 6, 16, 36, \dots\}$
- (B) $\{w(k)\} = \{\dots, \mathbf{0}, 1, 0, -2, -6, \dots\}$
- (C) $\{w(k)\} = \{\dots, \mathbf{0}, 1, 6, 16, 26, \dots\}$
- (D) None of the above

Characteristics of the inverse z-transform of rational functions :

$$W(z) = \frac{b_0 z^n + b_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + b_n}{z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n} = \frac{b_0 z^n + b_1 z^{n-1} + \dots + b_n}{(z - p_1)(z - p_2) \dots (z - p_n)}$$

- The signal $w(k)$ is the weighted sum of signals based on the poles :

$$w(k) = c_0 \Delta(k) + c_1 p_1^k + \dots + 2|c_i| r^k \cos(k\omega + \phi) + \dots + c_n p_n^k$$

- if $|p| < 1$ then the corresponding signal converges to zero.
- if $|p| > 1$ then the corresponding signal diverges.
- If p real and $0 < p < 1$ then p^k converges monotonically to zero.
- If p is real and $-1 < p < 0$ then p^k converges non monotonically to zero (we have a chattering effect).

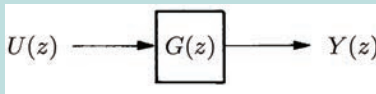
Discrete-Time Transfer Function

Convolution sum : The output of an LTI discrete-time system to the input signal $u(k)$ is given by : $y(k) = \sum_{\ell=0}^k u(\ell)g(k-\ell) = g(k) * u(k)$.
Taking the z-transform from the both sides gives : $Y(z) = G(z)U(z)$.

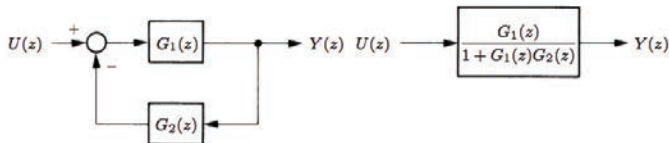
Discrete-Time Transfer Function

The z-transform of the impulse response $\{g(k)\}$ of a causal LTI discrete-time system is called its **discrete-time transfer function**.

$$\mathcal{Z}\{g(k)\} = G(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{U(z)}$$



The same rules as continuous-time case applied to closed-loop systems



Discrete-Time Transfer Function

Continuous-time and discrete-time systems are very similar

Continuous time System	Discrete-time System
$g(t)$: Response to a Dirac impulse	$g(k)$: Response to a unit impulse
Convolution integral	Convolution sum
$y(t) = \int_0^t u(\tau)g(t - \tau)d\tau$	$y(k) = \sum_{\ell=0}^k u(\ell)g(k - \ell)$
Differential equation	Difference equation
$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + ay(t) = bu(t)$	$y(k) + cy(k - 1) = du(k)$
Laplace Transform	z-Transform
$Y(s) = \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\}$	$Y(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{y(k)\}$
Transfer function in s	Transfer function in z
$G(s) = \mathcal{L}\{g(t)\}$	$G(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{g(k)\}$
$Y(s) = G(s)U(s)$	$Y(z) = G(z)U(z)$

Discrete-Time Transfer Function

Example (From difference equation to transfer function :)

Given the following difference equation

$$y(k) + a_1y(k-1) + \cdots + a_ny(k-n) = b_0u(k) + b_1u(k-1) + \cdots + b_mu(k-m)$$

Find the transfer function between the input $U(z)$ and the output $Y(z)$.

Solution Take the z -transform of the both sides :

$$(1 + a_1z^{-1} + \cdots + a_nz^{-n})Y(z) = (b_0 + b_1z^{-1} + \cdots + b_mz^{-m})U(z)$$

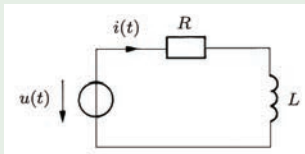
Therefore, (multiplying by z^n) :

$$G(z) = \frac{b_0 + b_1z^{-1} + \cdots + b_mz^{-m}}{1 + a_1z^{-1} + \cdots + a_nz^{-n}} = \frac{b_0z^n + b_1z^{n-1} + \cdots + b_mz^{n-m}}{z^n + a_1z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_n}$$

Discrete-Time Transfer Function

Example

Compute a discrete-time transfer function :



$$L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + Ri(t) = u(t)$$

The derivative can be approximated by :

$$\frac{di(kh)}{dt} \approx \frac{i(kh) - i(kh - h)}{h} \Rightarrow (L + Rh)i(kh) - Li(kh - h) = hu(kh)$$

Taking the z-transform, we have : $(L + Rh)I(z) - Lz^{-1}I(z) = hU(z)$

$$\Rightarrow G(z) = \frac{I(z)}{U(z)} = \frac{h}{L + Rh - Lz^{-1}} = \frac{hz}{(L + Rh)z - L}$$

Example (Discrete PD controller)

An ideal PD controller is given by :

$$u(kh) = K_p \left(e(kh) + T_d \frac{de(kh)}{dt} \right) \approx K_p \left(e(kh) + T_d \frac{e(kh) - e(kh - h)}{h} \right)$$

Taking the z -transform, we get :

$$U(z) = K_p \left(E(z) + \frac{T_d}{h} (1 - z^{-1}) E(z) \right)$$

$$K(z) = \frac{U(z)}{E(z)} = K_p \left(1 + \frac{T_d}{h} (1 - z^{-1}) \right) = \frac{K_p(h + T_d)z - K_p T_d}{hz}$$

Frequency Response (Discrete-time case)

Find the frequency response of $H(z)$ to a sinusoidal signal $u(k) = \sin \omega kh$.

Solution : We find first the response to $u(k) = e^{j\omega kh}$.

$$u(k) = e^{j\omega kh} = j \sin \omega kh + \cos \omega kh \quad \Rightarrow \quad U(z) = \frac{z}{z - e^{j\omega h}}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(z) = H(z)U(z) = c_0 + \frac{c_1 z}{z - p_1} + \cdots + \frac{c_n z}{z - p_n} + \frac{c z}{z - e^{j\omega h}}$$

where p_i are the distinct poles of $H(z)$. Taking the inverse z transform :

$$y(k) = c_0 \Delta(k) + c_1 p_1^k + \cdots + c_n p_n^k + \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{c z}{z - e^{j\omega h}} \right\}$$

If the system is stable then all $|p_i| < 1$, and

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} y(k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{c z}{z - e^{j\omega h}} \right\} = c e^{j\omega kh}$$

where

$$c = \lim_{z \rightarrow e^{j\omega h}} \frac{z - e^{j\omega h}}{z} Y(z) = H(e^{j\omega h})$$

Frequency Response (Discrete-time case)

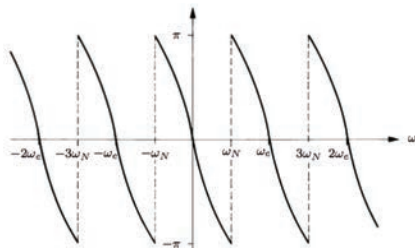
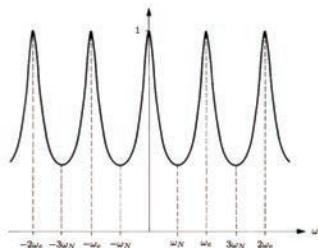
Therefore, the steady state response to $u(k) = \sin \omega kh$ is :

$$y_s(k) = I_m[H(e^{j\omega h})e^{j\omega kh}] = |H(e^{j\omega h})| \sin(\omega kh + \phi) \quad ; \quad \phi = \angle H(e^{j\omega h})$$

- $H(e^{j\omega h})$ is a periodic function with period $\omega_e = 2\pi/h$:

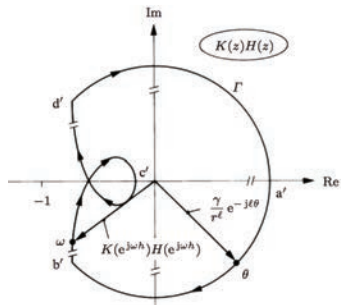
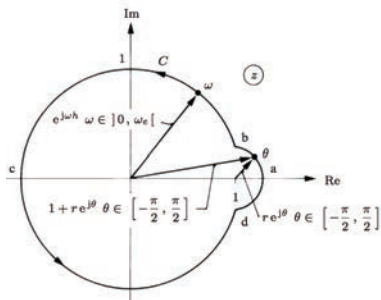
$$H(e^{j(\omega + \frac{2\pi}{h})h}) = H(e^{j\omega h} e^{j2\pi}) = H(e^{j\omega h})$$

- $|H(e^{j\omega h})|$ is an even function and $\angle H(e^{j\omega h}) = -\angle H(e^{-j\omega h})$ an odd function. They are usually computed for $\omega \in [0, \omega_N[$, where $\omega_N = \omega_e/2$ is the Nyquist frequency.



Nyquist Stability Criterion

Discrete-time case : Let's consider the unit circle as the Nyquist contour Γ_z in the z -plane with a counterclockwise direction. It should avoid the poles on the imaginary axis (like integrators) by a very small detour. Its typical image under $K(z)H(z)$ is given below :



- The image of the detour ($z = 1 + re^{j\theta} \quad -90^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ$), will be a semicircle with infinity radius.
- The image of the unit circle is the frequency response of $K(z)H(z) = K(e^{j\omega})H(e^{j\omega})$.

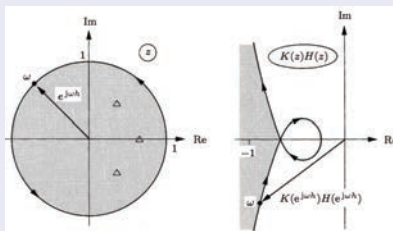
Nyquist Stability Criterion

Theorem (Discrete-time)

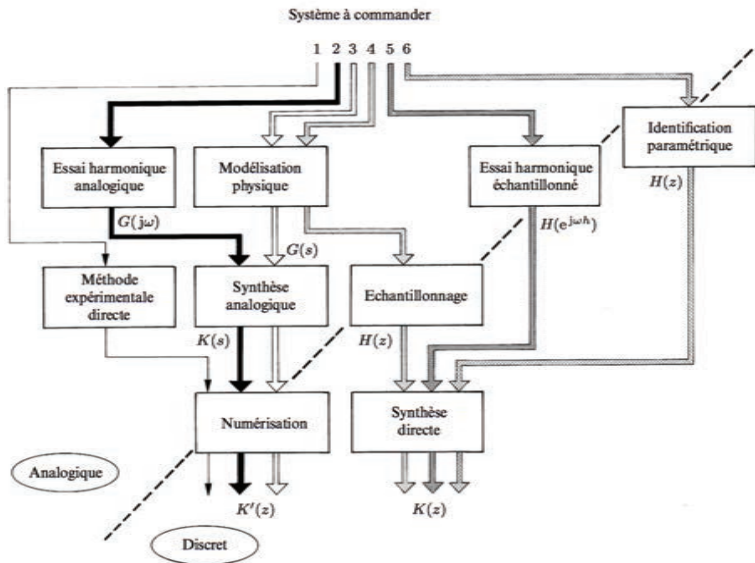
The zeros of $1 + K(z)H(z)$ are all inside the unit circle (i.e. the closed-loop system is stable), iff the image of Γ_z by the mapping $z \mapsto K(z)H(z)$ encircles counterclockwise the critical point $(-1,0)$, P times, where P is the number of unstable poles of $K(z)H(z)$.

Simplified criterion

For open-loop transfer functions with no pole and zero outside the unit circle and maximum one pole on the unit circle, the closed-loop system is stable if the critical point is at the left side of the Nyquist plot, when ω goes from zero to ω_N .

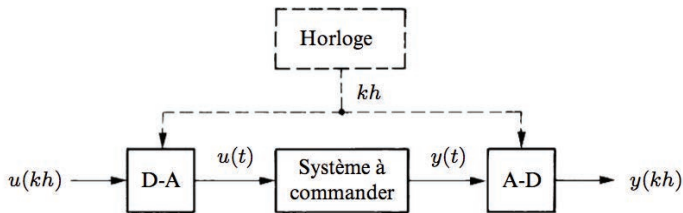


Continuous Versus Digital Controller Design

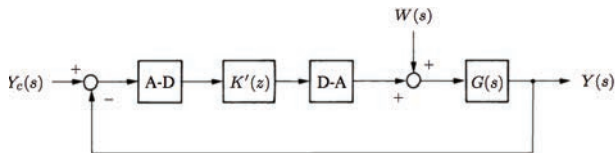


Discretization

Discretization of the plant model : The continuous-time plant model $G(s)$ is seen by the controller as a discrete system $H(z)$. Find $H(z)$ for direct digital controller synthesis.



Discretization of the Controller : A continuous-time controller $K(s)$ is designed. Find $K'(z)$ for implementation.



Discretization Methods :

- No exact discretization method exists.
- Several methods lead to approximate discretization.
- For very small sampling periods, there is no significant difference between the approaches.

1 Input-Output relation :

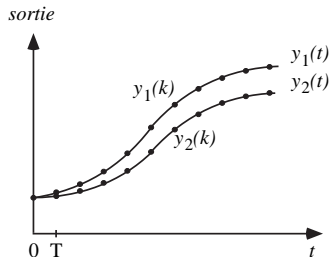
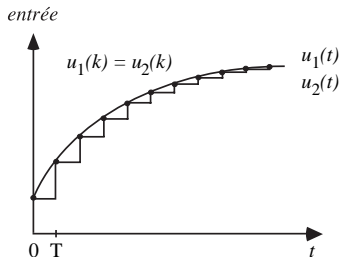
- Zero-Order-Hold method,
- First-Order Hold method,
- Impulse Response method.

2 Derivative approximation :

- Euler approximation (forward method),
- Euler approximation (backward method),
- Bilinear approximation (Tustin).

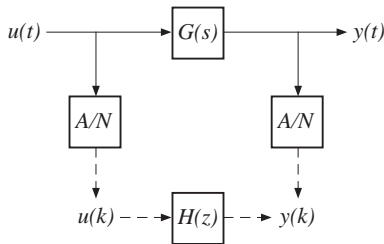
3 Zero-Pole matching

Input-Output Relation



$$u_1(k) = u_2(k) \Rightarrow y_1(k) \neq y_2(k)$$

$$H_1(z) = \frac{Y_1(z)}{U_1(z)} \neq H_2(z) = \frac{Y_2(z)}{U_2(z)}$$



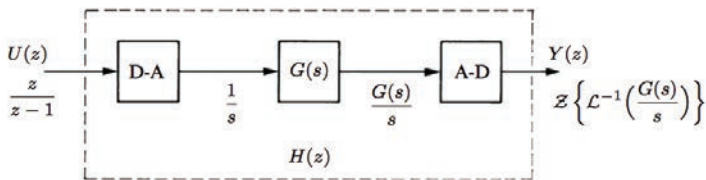
For a given $G(s)$, $H(z)$ depends on the input $u(t)$

Input-Output Relation

Principle : A transfer function is the relation between $Y(z)$ and $U(z)$. Therefore, for a choice of the input signal we have :

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{U(z)} = \frac{\mathcal{Z}\{y(k)\}}{\mathcal{Z}\{u(k)\}} = \frac{\mathcal{Z}\{\mathcal{L}^{-1}(G(s)U(s))\}}{\mathcal{Z}\{\mathcal{L}^{-1}(U(s))\}}$$

Zero-Order Hold method : The output of a ZOH is the weighted sum of shifted unit steps. So we consider a unit step as input ($U(s) = 1/s$) :



$$H(z) = \frac{\mathcal{Z}\left\{\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{G(s)}{s}\right)\right\}}{\frac{z}{z-1}} = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}\left\{\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{G(s)}{s}\right)\right\}$$

Input-Output Relation

Example

Find $H(z)$ from $G(s) = \frac{4}{s(s+2)}$ by the ZOH method ($h = 0.025$).

$$\begin{aligned} H(z) &= (1 - z^{-1}) \mathcal{Z} \left\{ \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{4}{s^2(s+2)} \right] \right\} \\ &= (1 - z^{-1}) \mathcal{Z} \left\{ \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{-1}{s} + \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{(s+2)} \right] \right\} \\ &= (1 - z^{-1}) \left[\frac{-z}{z-1} + \frac{2hz}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{z}{z - e^{-2h}} \right] \\ &= \frac{(-1 + 2h + e^{-2h})z + 1 - e^{-2h}(1 + 2h)}{z^2 - (1 + e^{-2h})z + e^{-2h}} \\ &= \frac{10^{-3}(1.23z + 1.21)}{z^2 - 1.95z + 0.95} = \frac{10^{-3}(1.23z + 1.21)}{(z-1)(z-0.95)} \end{aligned}$$

Input-Output Relation

First-Order Hold method : In this case the input signal will be a unit ramp ($U(s) = 1/s^2$). This method is appropriate if a first-order hold is used after digital to analog conversion :

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{U(z)} = \frac{\mathcal{Z} \left\{ \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{G(s)}{s^2} \right) \right\}}{\frac{hz}{(z-1)^2}} = \frac{(z-1)^2}{hz} \mathcal{Z} \left\{ \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{G(s)}{s^2} \right) \right\}$$

Impulse Response method : The input signal is a Dirac impulse ($U(s) = 1$). In this case $U(z)$ is not defined but can be approximated by :

$$U(z) = \mathcal{Z} \{ \delta(t) \} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \mathcal{Z} \{ \delta(k) \} \approx \frac{1}{h}$$

Therefore,

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{U(z)} \approx h \mathcal{Z} \{ \mathcal{L}^{-1}(G(s)) \}$$

Input-Output Relation

Systems with pure time delay : A continuous-time system with a pure time delay of T seconds in series has this transfer function :

$G(s) = e^{-Ts} G'(s)$. If $T = dh$ where $d \in \mathbb{N}$ we obtain :

$$H(z) = (1 - z^{-1}) \mathcal{Z} \left\{ \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(e^{-dhs} \frac{G'(s)}{s} \right) \right\} = (1 - z^{-1}) z^{-d} \mathcal{Z} \left\{ \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{G'(s)}{s} \right) \right\}$$

Example

The dynamic model of a physical system is given by

$$\dot{y}(t) + a y(t) = a u(t - T)$$

If $T = dh$, find its discrete transfer function using the ZOH method.

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = e^{-sT} \frac{a}{s + a} = e^{-sT} G'(s) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{G'(s)}{s} = \frac{a}{s(s + a)} = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s + a}$$

$$H(z) = (1 - z^{-1}) z^{-d} \left(\frac{z}{z - 1} - \frac{z}{z - e^{-ah}} \right) = \frac{1 - e^{-ah}}{z^d (z - e^{-ah})}$$

Derivative Approximation

Principle : Consider the following differential equation :

$$u(t) = \frac{d^n y(t)}{dt^n} \Rightarrow U(s) = s^n Y(s)$$

In discrete-time the above derivative can be approximated with different methods leading to different $H(z)$.

First method of Euler (forward) : For small sampling period h , we have

$$u(k) \approx \frac{y(k+1) - y(k)}{h} \Rightarrow U(z) = \frac{z-1}{h} Y(z)$$

So we can replace s in $G(s)$ with $\frac{z-1}{h}$ to find $H(z) = G(\frac{z-1}{h})$.

Example

Find $H(z)$ from $G(s) = \frac{4}{s(s+2)}$, where $h = 0.025$.

$$H(z) = \frac{4}{\frac{z-1}{h} \left(\frac{z-1}{h} + 2 \right)} = \frac{4h^2}{(z-1)(z-1+2h)} = \frac{0.0025}{(z-1)(z-0.95)}$$

Derivative Approximation

Second method of Euler (backward) : For small sampling period h , we have

$$u(k) \approx \frac{y(k) - y(k-1)}{h} \Rightarrow U(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{h} Y(z)$$

So we can replace s in $G(s)$ with $\frac{z-1}{zh}$ to find $H(z) = G(\frac{z-1}{zh})$.

Example

Find $H(z)$ from $G(s) = \frac{4}{s(s+2)}$, where $h = 0.025$.

$$H(z) = \frac{4}{\frac{z-1}{zh} \left(\frac{z-1}{zh} + 2 \right)} = \frac{4z^2 h^2}{(z-1)(z-1+2zh)} = \frac{0.0025z^2}{(z-1)(1.95z-1)}$$

Derivative Approximation

Bilinear method (Tustin) : This method is based on the mean value of the forward and backward methods.

$$\begin{cases} \text{Forward : } \frac{y(k+1)-y(k)}{h} = u(k) \\ \text{Backward : } \frac{y(k)-y(k-1)}{h} = u(k) \Rightarrow \frac{y(k+1)-y(k)}{h} = u(k+1) \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{y(k+1)-y(k)}{h} = \frac{1}{2}[u(k) + u(k+1)] \Rightarrow \frac{z-1}{h} Y(z) = \frac{1}{2}(1+z)U(z)$$

So we can replace s in $G(s)$ with $\frac{2}{h} \frac{z-1}{z+1}$ to find $H(z) = G(\frac{2}{h} \frac{z-1}{z+1})$.

Example

Find $H(z)$ from $G(s) = \frac{4}{s(s+2)}$, using Tustin method.

$$H(z) = \frac{4}{\frac{2}{h} \frac{z-1}{z+1} \left(\frac{2}{h} \frac{z-1}{z+1} + 2 \right)} = \frac{h^2(z+1)^2}{(z-1)^2 + h(z^2-1)}$$

Derivative Approximation

Relation between the poles of $G(s)$ and $H(z)$: How the left side of the imaginary axis in the s plane is mapped to the z plane.

Forward method

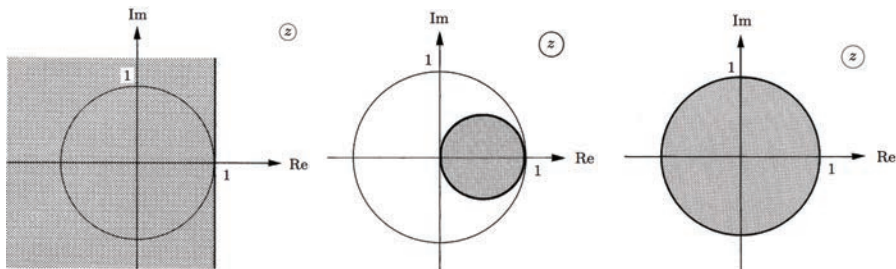
$$z = sh + 1$$

Backward method

$$z = \frac{1}{1 - sh} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1 + sh}{1 - sh}$$

Tustin method

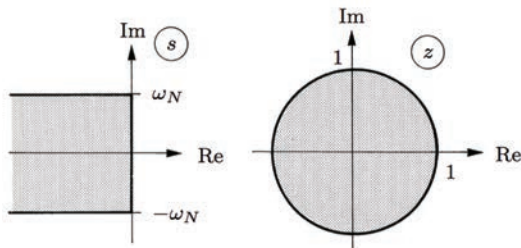
$$z = \frac{1 + sh/2}{1 - sh/2}$$



Remark : Forward approximation does not preserve the stability, i.e. a stable $G(s)$ can be transformed to an unstable $H(z)$.

Zero-Pole Matching

The function $z = e^{sh}$ maps the left hand side of the imaginary axis in the s plane to the inside of the unit circle in the z plane.



- $s = 0$ is mapped to $z = 1$ and $s = j\omega_N = j\pi/h$ is mapped to $z = e^{j\pi} = -1$.
- Relation with the derivative approximation methods :
Forward approximation : $z = e^{sh} \approx 1 + sh$.
Backward approximation : $z = e^{sh} = \frac{1}{e^{-sh}} \approx \frac{1}{1-sh}$.
Bilinear approximation : $z = e^{sh} = \frac{e^{sh/2}}{e^{-sh/2}} \approx \frac{1+sh/2}{1-sh/2}$.

Zero-Pole Matching

Straightforward procedure to find $H(z)$ from $G(s)$:

- 1 Compute the poles p_i and zeros z_i of $G(s)$.
- 2 If the relative degree of $G(s)$ (degree of denominator minus degree of numerator) is greater than 1, consider some zeros at infinity such that relative degree becomes equal to 1.
- 3 Map the poles and zeros of $G(s)$ to the z plane :
zeros of $H(z)$: $e^{z_i h}$ (each zero at infinity gives a zero at -1)
poles of $H(z)$: $e^{p_i h}$
- 4 Compute the gain of $H(z)$ such that it has the same gain as $G(s)$ in a chosen frequency (usually at $s = 0$ to have the same steady state gain).

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} H(z)$$

For systems with integrator, the steady-state gain is infinity so choose another frequency, e.g. the crossover frequency.

Zero-Pole Matching Method

Example

Given $G(s) = \frac{(s+1)}{(s+2)}$, find $H(z)$ using the zero-pole matching method.

Solution : We have one zero at -1 that leads to a zero at e^{-h} and a pole at -2 that gives a pole at e^{-2h} , therefore :

$$H(z) = \frac{c(z - e^{-h})}{(z - e^{-2h})}$$

We choose to have the steady state gain for both systems :

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} H(z) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{c(1 - e^{-h})}{(1 - e^{-2h})} \Rightarrow c = \frac{(1 - e^{-2h})}{2(1 - e^{-h})}$$

Zero-Pole Matching Method

Question

Given $G(s) = \frac{4}{s(s+2)}$ find $H(z)$ using the zero-pole matching method.

(A) $H(z) = \frac{c}{z(z - e^{-2h})}$ (B) $H(z) = \frac{c(z+1)}{(z-1)(z - e^{-2h})}$

(C) $H(z) = \frac{c}{(z - e^{-2h})}$ (D) $H(z) = \frac{c}{(z-1)(z - e^{-2h})}$

Match the gains at $\omega = 1$.

(A) $c = \infty$ (B) $c = (1 - e^{-2h})$

(C) $c = 2(1 - e^{-2h})$ (D) $c = \left| \frac{4(e^{jh} - 1)(e^{jh} - e^{-2h})}{\sqrt{5}(e^{jh} + 1)} \right|$

Frequency Response Plots (Discrete-time case)

Computing the frequency response : $H(e^{j\omega})$ can be computed by a fine grid of $\omega \in [0, \omega_N]$, where $\omega_N = \omega_e/2$ is the Nyquist frequency. Use **bode** and **nyquist** in Matlab to plot the Bode and Nyquist diagram.

Sketching the frequency response : Since $H(e^{j\omega})$ is not a polynomial function of ω , it cannot be easily plotted. However, $H(e^{j\omega}) \approx G(j\omega)$ in the frequency zone $\omega \in [0, \omega_N]$, where $G(s)$ is obtained by transformation of $H(z)$ to continuous time. The following methods are usually used :

- **Bilinear Transformation :** In this method we have

$$z = \frac{1 + sh/2}{1 - sh/2} \Rightarrow H(e^{j\omega}) \approx G(j\omega) = H\left(\frac{1 + \frac{j\omega h}{2}}{1 - \frac{j\omega h}{2}}\right)$$

- **ZOH method :** In this method we have

$$G(s) = s\mathcal{L}\left\{\mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left(\frac{z}{z-1}H(z)\right)\right\} \Rightarrow H(e^{j\omega}) \approx G(j\omega)$$

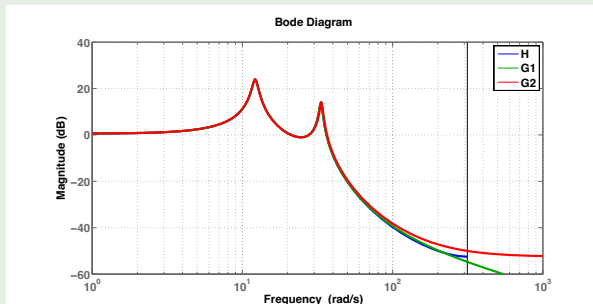
Frequency Response Plots (Discrete-time case)

Example

Consider $H(z)$ with $h = 0.01$ s :

$$H(z) = \frac{0.01184z^3 - 0.01645z^2 + 0.007212z - 0.0008898}{z^4 - 3.852z^3 + 5.683z^2 - 3.806z + 0.9762}$$

Compare the Bode plot of $H(e^{j\omega})$ and $G_1(j\omega)$ (ZOH transformation, green) and $G_2(j\omega)$ (Tustin transformation, red).



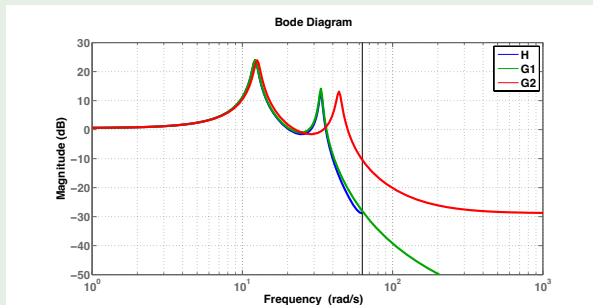
Frequency Response Plots (Discrete-time case)

Example

Consider the same dynamical system sampled with $h = 0.05$ s :

$$H(z) = \frac{0.2826z^3 + 0.5066z^2}{z^4 - 1.418z^3 + 1.589z^2 - 1.316z + 0.8864}$$

Compare the Bode plot of $H(e^{j\omega})$ and $G_1(j\omega)$ (ZOH transformation, green) and $G_2(j\omega)$ (Tustin transformation, red).



Find $G(s)$ from $H(z)$

The inverse of all methods can be used for conversion from discrete to continuous-time models.

ZOH method

$$G(s) = s\mathcal{L}\left\{\mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left(\frac{z}{z-1}H(z)\right)\right\}$$

impulse response

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{h}\mathcal{L}\left\{\mathcal{Z}^{-1}(H(z))\right\}$$

forward difference

$$G(s) = H(z)\Big|_{z=1+hs}$$

Tustin method

$$G(s) = H(z)\Big|_{z=\frac{1+hs/2}{1-hs/2}}$$

Conclusions of Discretizing Methods

- For very small sampling periods all methods give good approximation.
- The ZOH method is used for discretizing a plant model $G(s)$ if a zero order hold is used in the converters (almost always).
- For discretizing a controller $K(s)$, the backward difference method is usually used with a small sampling period (forward difference should not be used). Tustin gives a better approximation but is more complicated.
- The ZOH, Impulse and Zero-Pole Matching methods preserve the modes (poles) in transformation. The zeros are only preserved in the Zero-Pole Matching method.
- For converting $H(z)$ to $G(s)$ the Tustin method is usually used (backward difference should not be used). If $H(z)$ has high frequency resonance modes the ZOH or Zero-Pole matching may be preferred.

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Difference Operator Models

We consider SISO-LTI discrete-time models of the form :

$$y(k) = - \sum_{i=1}^{n_A} a_i y(k-i) + \sum_{i=0}^{n_B} b_i u(k-i)$$

Define q^{-1} a backward shift operator such that $q^{-1}y(k) = y(k-1)$, then

$$A(q^{-1})y(k) = B(q^{-1})u(k)$$

$$\text{or } y(k) = G(q^{-1})u(k) \quad \text{with} \quad G(q^{-1}) = \frac{B(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})} \quad \text{where}$$

$$A(q^{-1}) = 1 + a_1 q^{-1} + \dots + a_{n_A} q^{-n_A}$$

$$B(q^{-1}) = b_0 + b_1 q^{-1} + b_2 q^{-2} + \dots + b_{n_B} q^{-n_B}$$

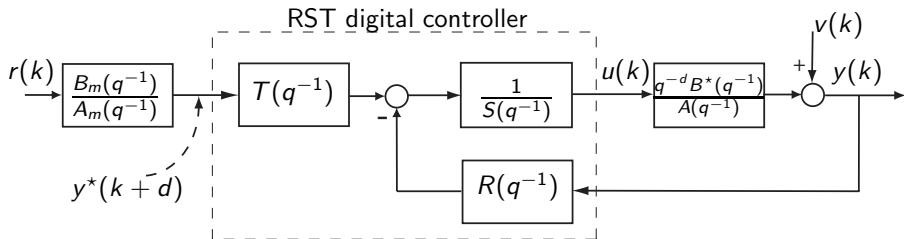
Delay d

The number of first zero coefficients of $B(q^{-1})$ is called delay d . For sampled systems $d \geq 1$ (b_0 is always zero) and $B(q^{-1}) = q^{-d} B^*(q^{-1})$ where $B^*(q^{-1})$ has no leading zero coefficients.

RST Controller

A general form of a two-degree of freedom digital controller is given by :

$$R(q^{-1})y(k) + S(q^{-1})u(k) = T(q^{-1})y^*(k + d)$$



where $y^*(k + d)$ is the *desired tracking trajectory* given with d steps in advance and

$$R(q^{-1}) = r_0 + r_1 q^{-1} + \cdots + r_{n_R} q^{-n_R}$$

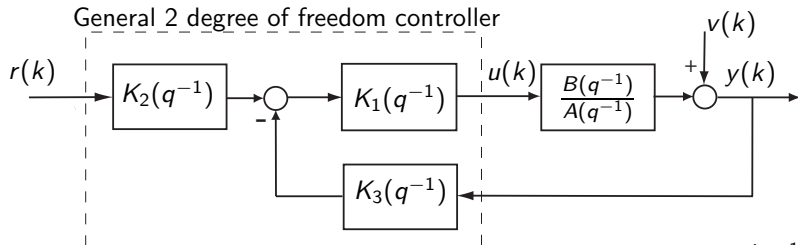
$$S(q^{-1}) = 1 + s_1 q^{-1} + \cdots + s_{n_S} q^{-n_S}$$

$$T(q^{-1}) = t_0 + t_1 q^{-1} + \cdots + t_{n_T} q^{-n_T}$$

RST Controller

Advantages of RST controller :

- Can be easily implemented.
- It has two degrees of freedom (tracking and regulation dynamics can be designed independently).
- The other controller structures can be converted to an RST controller.



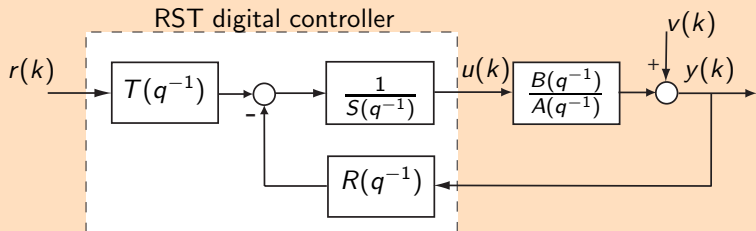
$$u(k) = K_1(q^{-1}) [K_2(q^{-1})r(k) - K_3(q^{-1})y(k)] \quad \text{with} \quad K_i(q^{-1}) = \frac{N_i(q^{-1})}{D_i(q^{-1})}$$

is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} R(q^{-1}) &= N_1(q^{-1})N_3(q^{-1})D_2(q^{-1}) \\ S(q^{-1}) &= D_1(q^{-1})D_2(q^{-1})D_3(q^{-1}) \\ T(q^{-1}) &= N_1(q^{-1})N_2(q^{-1})D_3(q^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

RST Controller

Question



1 What is the transfer function between r and y assuming $v(k) = 0$?

- (A) $\frac{T(q^{-1})B(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})+B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}$ (B) $\frac{A(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})+B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}$
(C) $\frac{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})+B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}$ (D) $\frac{B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})+B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}$

2 What is the transfer function between v and y assuming $r(k) = 0$?

- (A) $\frac{T(q^{-1})B(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})+B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}$ (B) $\frac{A(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})+B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}$
(C) $\frac{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})+B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}$ (D) $\frac{B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})+B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}$

Pole Placement Technique

Objective :

Place the closed-loop poles on the desired places.

Closed-loop poles

The roots of the characteristic polynomial $P(q^{-1})$ are the closed-loop poles.

$$P(q^{-1}) = A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1}) + B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1}) = 1 + p_1q^{-1} + p_2q^{-2} + \dots$$

Desired closed-loop poles :

They should be chosen according to the desired performance.

Example (First-order polynomial)

Let $P(q^{-1}) = 1 + p_1q^{-1}$. When $r(k) \equiv 0$, the free output response is defined by $y(k+1) = -p_1y(k)$. Then $p_1 = -0.5$ leads to a relative decrease of 50% for the output amplitude at each sampling instant (choose p_1 between -0.2 and -0.8).

Pole Placement Technique

Example (Second-order polynomial)

Let $P(q^{-1}) = 1 + p_1 q^{-1} + p_2 q^{-2}$

- 1 Choose the time-domain performance (desired rise time, settling-time and overshoot for a step response).
- 2 Choose ζ (damping factor) and ω_n (natural frequency) of a second-order **continuous-time** model

$$H(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

that meets the time-domain performance.

- 3 Compute s_1 and s_2 , the roots of $s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2 = 0$.
- 4 Compute p_1 and p_2 from :

$$P(z^{-1}) = (z - e^{s_1 h})(z - e^{s_2 h}) = z^2 + p_1 z + p_2$$

Time-domain Performance

Overshoot : The overshoot M_p is a function of the damping factor :

$$M_p = e^{-\zeta\pi/\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$$

Settling-time : The time t_s for which the response remains within 2% of the final value :

$$e^{-\zeta\omega_n t_s} < 0.02 \quad \text{or} \quad \zeta\omega_n t_s \approx 4$$

Rise-time : The time it takes to rise from 10% to 90% of the final value. The following approximation can be used :

$$t_r \approx \frac{1.8}{\omega_n}$$

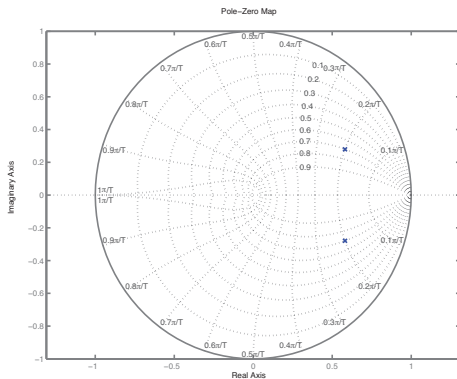
After computing ζ and ω_n , the desired $P(q^{-1})$ is computed by :

$$p_1 = -2e^{-\zeta\omega_n h} \cos\left(\omega_n h \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}\right)$$

$$p_2 = e^{-2\zeta\omega_n h}$$

Time-domain Performance

Using zgrid of MATLAB :



Desired closed-loop poles with the loci for constant ζ and ω_n

The typical values for ζ and ω_n are :

$$\frac{0.25}{h} \leq \omega_n \leq \frac{1.5}{h} \quad ; \quad 0.7 \leq \zeta \leq 1$$

Example

Compute the desired discrete-time closed-loop polynomial to have an overshoot of 10% and a settling time of $t_s = 1.2$ s. Suppose that the sampling period $h = 0.1$ s.

- 1 For 10% overshoot we have : $e^{-\zeta\pi/\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} = 0.1 \Rightarrow \zeta \approx 0.6$
- 2 The natural frequency is computed as $\omega_n \approx \frac{4}{\zeta t_s} = 5.55$.
- 3 The coefficients of the characteristic polynomial are :

$$p_1 = -2e^{-\zeta\omega_n h} \cos\left(\omega_n h \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}\right) = -1.294$$

$$p_2 = e^{-2\zeta\omega_n h} = 0.513$$

that corresponds to the following desired poles :

$$z_{1,2} = 0.647 \pm j0.308$$

Dominant and Auxiliary Poles

The desired closed-loop polynomial can be divided into two polynomials defining the dominant and auxiliary closed-loop poles :

$$P(q^{-1}) = P_d(q^{-1}) P_f(q^{-1})$$

Dominant closed-loop poles : Define the main dynamics of the closed-loop system in regulation and are computed based on the desired time-domain performance.

Auxiliary closed-loop poles : They introduce a filtering action in certain frequency regions in order to

- reduce the effect of the measurement noise ;
- smooth the variations of the control signal ;
- improve the robustness.

As a general rule, the “auxiliary poles” (called also the “observer poles”), are faster than the “dominant poles”. It means that the roots of $P_f(q^{-1})$ should have a real part smaller than those of $P_d(q^{-1})$.

Regulation : Computation of R and S

Once $P(q^{-1})$ is specified, in order to compute

$$R(q^{-1}) = r_0 + r_1 q^{-1} + \cdots + r_{n_R} q^{-n_R}$$

$$S(q^{-1}) = 1 + s_1 q^{-1} + \cdots + s_{n_S} q^{-n_S}$$

the following equation, known as “Bezout identity” (or Diophantine equation), must be solved :

$$A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1}) + B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1}) = P(q^{-1})$$

Theorem

The Diophantine equation has a unique solution with minimal degree for

$$n_R = \deg R(q^{-1}) = n_A - 1$$

$$n_S = \deg S(q^{-1}) = n_B - 1$$

$$n_P = \deg P(q^{-1}) \leq n_A + n_B - 1$$

If and only if $A(q^{-1})$ and $B(q^{-1})$ are coprime.

Question

Given
$$G(q^{-1}) = \frac{0.2q^{-2}}{1 - 0.8q^{-1}}$$

Compute minimum order of $R(q^{-1})$ and $S(q^{-1})$:

- (A) $n_R = 1, n_S = 1$ (B) $n_R = 0, n_S = 0$
(C) $n_R = 0, n_S = 1$ (D) $n_R = 0, n_S = 2$

Question

Given
$$G(q^{-1}) = \frac{0.2q^{-2}}{1 - 0.8q^{-1}}$$

Compute $R(q^{-1}) = r_0$ and $S(q^{-1}) = 1 + s_1q^{-1}$ to place the closed loop poles at the roots of $P(q^{-1}) = 1 - 1.3q^{-1} + 0.5q^{-2}$.

- (A) $r_0 = 0.5, s_1 = -0.5$ (B) $r_0 = -0.5, s_1 = -0.5$
(C) $r_0 = -0.5, s_1 = 0.5$ (D) $r_0 = -5.9, s_1 = -2.1$

Example

Consider a discrete-time plant model given by :

$$G(q^{-1}) = \frac{b_1 q^{-1} + b_2 q^{-2}}{1 + a_1 q^{-1} + a_2 q^{-2}} \quad n_A = 2, \quad n_B = 2$$

Then $n_P \leq n_A + n_B - 1 = 3$, and $n_R = n_A - 1 = 1$, $n_S = n_B - 1 = 1$.
Let us take $n_P = 2$. Therefore, we should solve :

$$(1 + a_1 q^{-1} + a_2 q^{-2})(1 + s_1 q^{-1}) + (b_1 q^{-1} + b_2 q^{-2})(r_0 + r_1 q^{-1}) = 1 + p_1 q^{-1} + p_2 q^{-2}$$

Then we have :

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 + s_1 + b_1 r_0 &= p_1 \\ a_2 + a_1 s_1 + b_2 r_0 + b_1 r_1 &= p_2 \\ a_2 s_1 + b_2 r_1 &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 & 1 & b_1 & 0 \\ a_2 & a_1 & b_2 & b_1 \\ 0 & a_2 & 0 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ s_1 \\ r_0 \\ r_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ p_1 \\ p_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving Diophantine Equation (Computing R and S)

A general solution to $A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1}) + B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1}) = P(q^{-1})$ is given by :

$$x = M^{-1}p$$

where $x^T = [1 \quad s_1 \quad \dots \quad s_{n_S} \quad r_0 \quad \dots \quad r_{n_R}]$ and

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \overbrace{1 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0}^{n_B} & \overbrace{b_0 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0}^{n_A} \\ a_1 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots & b_1 & b_0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & a_1 & \ddots & 0 & \vdots & b_1 & \ddots & 0 \\ a_{n_A} & \vdots & \ddots & 1 & b_{n_B} & \vdots & \ddots & b_0 \\ 0 & a_{n_A} & \ddots & a_1 & 0 & b_{n_B} & \ddots & b_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_{n_A} & 0 & \dots & 0 & b_{n_B} \end{bmatrix}$$

M is called the **Sylvester matrix** and $p^T = [1 \quad p_1 \quad \dots \quad p_{n_P} \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0]$.
Note that the inverse of M exists if and only if $A(q^{-1})$ and $B(q^{-1})$ are coprime polynomials (no simplifications between zeros and poles).

Regulation : Computation of R and S

Fixed terms in the regulator : The performance and robustness of the closed-loop system can be improved by introducing some fixed terms, $H_R(q^{-1})$ and $H_S(q^{-1})$, in the polynomial R and S as :

$$R(q^{-1}) = H_R(q^{-1})R'(q^{-1})$$

$$S(q^{-1}) = H_S(q^{-1})S'(q^{-1})$$

Therefore, we need to solve the following equation :

$$A(q^{-1})H_S(q^{-1})S'(q^{-1}) + B(q^{-1})H_R(q^{-1})R'(q^{-1}) = P(q^{-1})$$

This can be done after replacing $A(q^{-1})H_S(q^{-1})$ by $A'(q^{-1})$ and $B(q^{-1})H_R(q^{-1})$ by $B'(q^{-1})$.

Then, for the minimal order solution we should have :

$$n_{R'} = \deg R'(q^{-1}) = n_{A'} - 1 = n_A + n_{H_S} - 1$$

$$n_{S'} = \deg S'(q^{-1}) = n_{B'} - 1 = n_B + n_{H_R} - 1$$

$$n_P = \deg P(q^{-1}) \leq n_{A'} + n_{B'} - 1 = n_A + n_{H_S} + n_B + n_{H_R} - 1$$

Regulation : Choice of H_R and H_S

Choice of H_S

- Zero steady state error for a step disturbance :
Integrator in the controller : $H_S = 1 - q^{-1}$
- Asymptotic rejection of a harmonic disturbance $v(k)$:

$$v(k) = \frac{1}{1 + \alpha q^{-1} + q^{-2}} \delta(k) \quad \alpha = -2 \cos(\omega h) = -2 \cos(2\pi f h)$$

Internal model principle : $H_S(q^{-1}) = 1 + \alpha q^{-1} + q^{-2}$

Choice of H_R

- opening the loop ($u = 0$) at a disturbance frequency f :

$$H_R(q^{-1}) = (1 + \alpha q^{-1} + q^{-2})$$

- Opening the loop at Nyquist frequency ($f = f_s/2 = 1/(2h)$) :

$$H_R(q^{-1}) = 1 + q^{-1}$$

Computation of T

The tracking performance is usually given by a tracking reference model :

$$H_m(q^{-1}) = \frac{B_m(q^{-1})}{A_m(q^{-1})}$$

The transfer function from the reference to the output is :

$$H_{cl}(q^{-1}) = \frac{B_m(q^{-1})T(q^{-1})B(q^{-1})}{P(q^{-1})A_m(q^{-1})}$$

Different dynamic for regulation and tracking :

In this case, $T(q^{-1}) = P(q^{-1})/B(1)$ cancels the regulation dynamic and make the steady-state gain of $H_{cl}(q^{-1})$ equal to 1. The tracking dynamic is imposed by the denominator of the reference model.

Same dynamic for regulation and tracking :

The reference model is chosen as $H_m(q^{-1}) = 1$ and $T(q^{-1})$, is chosen to have a steady-state gain of 1 for $H_{cl}(q^{-1})$. So we take : $T(q^{-1}) = P(1)/B(1)$. If the controller or the plant model has an integrator, i.e. $A(1)S(1) = 0$: Then $P(1) = A(1)S(1) + B(1)R(1) = B(1)R(1)$ and $T(q^{-1}) = R(1)$.

Example

Consider the following discrete-time second-order plant model :

$$G(q^{-1}) = \frac{0.1q^{-1} + 0.2q^{-2}}{1 - 1.3q^{-1} + 0.42q^{-2}}$$

The sampling period is $h = 1s$.

Design an RST controller such that :

- The tracking dynamics are close to the dynamics of a second-order continuous-time model with $\omega_n = 0.5$ rad/s and $\zeta = 0.9$.
- The regulation dynamics are close to that of a second-order continuous-time model with $\omega_n = 0.4$ rad/s and $\zeta = 0.9$.
- The steady state error for an output step disturbance is zero.

Example

- ① With $\omega_n = 0.4$ rad/s and $\zeta = 0.9$, we obtain :

$$P(q^{-1}) = 1 - 1.3741q^{-1} + 0.4867q^{-2}$$

- ② Zero steady state error is obtained by $H_S(q^{-1}) = 1 - q^{-1}$.

- ③ The following Bezout equation should be solved :

$$A(q^{-1})H_S(q^{-1})S'(q^{-1}) + B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1}) = P(q^{-1})$$

We have $n_{S'} = n_B - 1 = 1$ and $n_R = n_A + n_{H_S} - 1 = 2$ and

$$A'(q^{-1}) = A(q^{-1})(1 - q^{-1}) = 1 - 2.3q^{-1} + 1.72q^{-2} - 0.42q^{-3}$$

Therefore the Bezout equation in the matrix form becomes :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2.3 & 1 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1.72 & -2.3 & 0.2 & 0.1 & 0 \\ -0.42 & 1.72 & 0 & 0.2 & 0.1 \\ 0 & -0.42 & 0 & 0 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ s'_0 \\ r_0 \\ r_1 \\ r_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1.3741 \\ 0.4867 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example

Solving the Bezout equation leads to

$$R(q^{-1}) = 3 - 3.94q^{-1} + 1.3141q^{-2}$$

$$S(q^{-1}) = (1 + s'_1 q^{-1})(1 - q^{-1}) = 1 - 0.3742q^{-1} - 0.6258q^{-2}$$

- 4 : The reference model $H_m(q^{-1})$ is computed by discretization of a second-order model with $\omega_n = 0.5$ rad/s and $\zeta = 0.9$:

$$H_m(q^{-1}) = \frac{0.0927q^{-1} + 0.0687q^{-2}}{1 - 1.2451q^{-1} + 0.4066q^{-2}}$$

Finally, the polynomial $T(q^{-1})$ is computed as :

$$T(q^{-1}) = \frac{P(q^{-1})}{B(1)} = 3.333 - 4.5806q^{-1} + 1.6225q^{-2}$$

If we wish to have the same dynamics for tracking and regulation, then $H_m(q^{-1}) = 1$ and $T(q^{-1}) = R(1) = 0.3741$.

Internal Model Control (IMC)

IMC method is a special case of the pole placement technique.

- The plant poles are chosen as the dominant closed-loop poles :
 $P_d(q^{-1}) = A(q^{-1})$
- The plant model should be stable with well-damped poles.
- This technique has good robustness with respect to model uncertainty and appropriate control input.

The following equation should be solved :

$$\begin{aligned} A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1}) + B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1}) &= A(q^{-1})P_f(q^{-1}) \\ \Rightarrow R(q^{-1}) &= A(q^{-1})R'(q^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

After elimination of the common factor $A(q^{-1})$:

$$S(q^{-1}) + B(q^{-1})R'(q^{-1}) = P_f(q^{-1})$$

Taking $R'(q^{-1}) = r'_0$ leads to a set of minimal order solutions :

$$S(q^{-1}) = P_f(q^{-1}) - B(q^{-1})r'_0$$

Internal Model Control (IMC)

IMC with integrator : if we assume that $S(q^{-1})$ contains an integrator, i.e. $S(1) = 0$. Therefore, we have :

$$P_f(1) - B(1)r'_0 = S(1) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad r'_0 = \frac{P_f(1)}{B(1)}$$

as the simplest solution yielding :

$$R(q^{-1}) = A(q^{-1}) \frac{P_f(1)}{B(1)}$$

$$S(q^{-1}) = P_f(q^{-1}) - \frac{B(q^{-1})P_f(1)}{B(1)}$$

For tracking we have :

$$T(q^{-1}) = \frac{A(q^{-1})P_f(q^{-1})}{B(1)}$$

or if we choose the same dynamics for tracking and regulation

$$T(q^{-1}) = \frac{A(1)P_f(1)}{B(1)}$$

Internal Model Control (IMC)

Question

Consider the following discrete-time second-order plant model :

$$G(q^{-1}) = \frac{0.2q^{-1} + 0.3q^{-2}}{1 - 1.3q^{-1} + 0.4q^{-2}}$$

Design an RST controller with integrator and the same dynamics for tracking and regulation based on IMC technique ($P_f = 1$).

(A)

$$R(q^{-1}) = 5 - 6.5q^{-1} + 2q^{-2}$$

$$S(q^{-1}) = 1 - q^{-1} - 1.5q^{-2}$$

$$T(q^{-1}) = 0.5$$

(B)

$$R(q^{-1}) = 0.2 - 0.26q^{-1} + 0.08q^{-2}$$

$$S(q^{-1}) = 1 - 0.04q^{-1} - 0.06q^{-2}$$

$$T(q^{-1}) = 0.02$$

(C)

$$R(q^{-1}) = 2(1 - 1.3q^{-1} + 0.4q^{-2})$$

$$S(q^{-1}) = 1 - 0.4q^{-1} - 0.6q^{-2}$$

$$T(q^{-1}) = 0.5$$

(D)

$$R(q^{-1}) = 2 - 2.6q^{-1} + 0.8q^{-2}$$

$$S(q^{-1}) = 1 - 0.4q^{-1} - 0.6q^{-2}$$

$$T(q^{-1}) = 0.2$$

Model Reference Control (MRC)

In this approach the zeros of the plant model in

$$H_{cl}(q^{-1}) = \frac{q^{-d}B^*(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1}) + q^{-d}B^*(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})}$$

are cancelled by the closed-loop poles :

$$A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1}) + q^{-d}B^*(q^{-1})R(q^{-1}) = B^*(q^{-1})P(q^{-1})$$

This can be done if

- the zeros of $B^*(q^{-1})$ are stable,
- complex zeros have a sufficiently high damping factor ($\zeta > 0.2$).

Remark

In discrete-time systems, unstable zeros can be the consequence of too fast sampling or a large fractional delay. This can be avoided by re-identification of a model with augmented delay or resampling.

Model Reference Control (MRC)

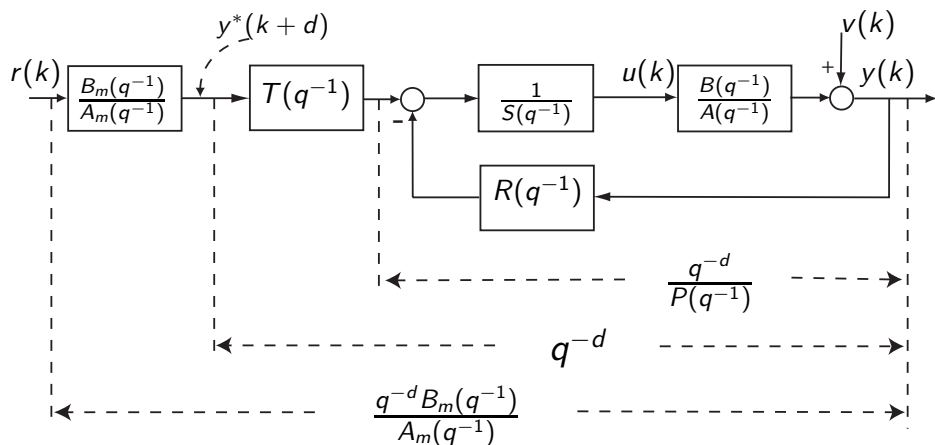
In order to have a solution to Diophantine Equation we should have $S(q^{-1}) = B^*(q^{-1})S'(q^{-1})$ and solve

$$A(q^{-1})S'(q^{-1}) + q^{-d}R(q^{-1}) = P(q^{-1})$$

with $n_P \leq n_A + d - 1$, $n_{S'} = d - 1$, $n_R = n_A - 1$ and

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \overbrace{1 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0}^d & \overbrace{0 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0}^{n_A} \\ a_1 \quad 1 \quad \ddots \quad \vdots & 0 \quad 0 \quad \ddots \quad \vdots \\ a_2 \quad a_1 \quad \ddots \quad 0 & \vdots \quad 0 \quad \ddots \quad 0 \\ \vdots \quad a_2 \quad \ddots \quad 1 & 0 \quad \vdots \quad \ddots \quad 0 \\ a_{n_A} \quad \vdots \quad \ddots \quad a_1 & 1 \quad 0 \quad \ddots \quad 0 \\ 0 \quad a_{n_A} \quad \ddots \quad a_2 & 0 \quad 1 \quad \ddots \quad 0 \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \ddots \quad \vdots & \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \ddots \quad \vdots \\ 0 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad a_{n_A} & 0 \quad \dots \quad 0 \quad 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Model Reference Control (MRC)



Tracking : By choosing $T(q^{-1}) = P(q^{-1})$ the transfer function between the reference $r(k)$ and $y(k)$ will be :

$$H_{cl}(q^{-1}) = \frac{q^{-d} B_m(q^{-1})}{A_m(q^{-1})}$$

Example

Consider the following discrete-time second-order plant model :

$$G(q^{-1}) = \frac{0.2q^{-2} + 0.1q^{-3}}{1 - 1.3q^{-1} + 0.42q^{-2}}$$

Design an RST controller based on MRC technique for placing the closed loop dominant pole at 0.7.

- $B^*(q^{-1}) = 0.2 + 0.1q^{-1}$ has a zero at -0.5 (inside the unit circle).
- Taking $P_d = 1 - 0.7q^{-1}$ and solving $AS + q^{-d}B^*R = P_dB^*$ gives $S = B^*S'$. So we should solve $AS' + q^{-d}R = P_d$
- We have $n_{S'} = d - 1 = 1$ and $n_R = n_A - 1 = 1$ so we should solve :

$$(1 - 1.3q^{-1} + 0.42q^{-2})(1 + s'_1q^{-1}) + q^{-2}(r_0 + r_1q^{-1}) = 1 - 0.7q^{-1}$$

Example

We should solve :

$$(1 - 1.3q^{-1} + 0.42q^{-2})(1 + s'_1q^{-1}) + q^{-2}(r_0 + r_1q^{-1}) = 1 - 0.7q^{-1}$$

by the Sylvester Matrix method :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1.3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.42 & -1.3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.42 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ s'_1 \\ r_0 \\ r_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -0.7 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-1.3 + s'_1 = -0.7 \quad \Rightarrow s'_1 = 0.6$$

$$0.42 - 1.3s'_1 + r_0 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow r_0 = 0.36$$

$$0.42s'_1 + r_1 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow r_1 = -0.252$$

Finally we compute : $T(q^{-1}) = P_d(q^{-1}) = 1 - 0.7q^{-1}$.

Robust Pole Placement

A pole placement controller may not be implemented on the real system for the following reasons :

- ① The controller may not have good robustness margins
 - Robustness can be verified using the robustness margins like gain, phase and modulus margin M_m (the inverse of the infinity norm of the sensitivity function). $M_m \geq 0.5$ implies a gain margin of greater than 2 and a phase margin of greater than 29° .

$$\|S\|_\infty = \left\| \frac{AS}{AS + q^{-d}BR} \right\|_\infty = \max_{\omega} |S(e^{-j\omega})| < 6\text{dB} \quad \equiv \quad M_m > 0.5$$

- ② The control input may be too large and saturated in real experiment.
 - The magnitude of the transfer function between the external input and the control input should be reduced at high frequencies.
 - The dominant closed loop poles should be slowed down.

Robust Pole Placement

Example

Consider the following plant model with $h = 1s$:

$$G(q^{-1}) = \frac{q^{-1} + 0.5q^{-2}}{1 - 1.5q^{-1} + 0.7q^{-2}}$$

- Desired closed-loop poles : $z_{1,2} = 0.3 \pm j0.2$.
- Integrator in the controller : $H_S(q^{-1}) = 1 - q^{-1}$.

Solving the Bezout equation, we obtain :

$$\begin{aligned} R(q^{-1}) &= 1.4667 - 1.72q^{-1} + 0.6067q^{-2} \\ S(q^{-1}) &= 1 - 0.5667q^{-1} - 0.4333q^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

This controller gives :

- $M_m = \|S\|_{\infty}^{-1} = 0.39$; $\|\mathcal{U}\|_{\infty} \approx 17$ dB.
- $|u(k)| > 2$ for an impulse output disturbance.
- Settling time of the output disturbance step response : 6 sec

Example

Slowing down the closed loop poles :

The dominant poles of the plant model have $\omega_n = 0.4926$ and $\zeta = 0.362$. We choose the same ω_n with $\zeta = 0.9$ to compute the desired closed-loop poles ($z_{1,2} = 0.6272 \pm j0.1368$).

Solving the Bezout equation, we obtain :

$$\begin{aligned} R(q^{-1}) &= 0.8721 - 1.29q^{-1} + 0.5231q^{-2} \\ S(q^{-1}) &= 1 - 0.6264q^{-1} - 0.3736q^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

This controller gives :

- $M_m = \|\mathcal{S}\|_{\infty}^{-1} = 0.566$; $\|\mathcal{U}\|_{\infty} \approx 10$ dB.
- $|u(k)| < 1.5$ for an impulse output disturbance.
- Settling time of the output disturbance step response : 12 sec

The new controller is more robust but it's slower.

Example

Shaping the input sensitivity function :

We add a fixed term $H_R(q^{-1}) = 1 + q^{-1}$ in the controller to reduce the input sensitivity function at high frequencies but we keep the same closed-loop poles as the original controller (fast poles). This leads to :

$$R(q^{-1}) = 0.8740 - 0.2382q^{-1} - 0.6973q^{-2} + 0.4149q^{-3}$$

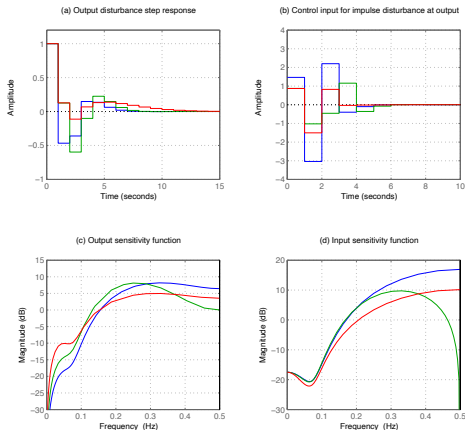
$$S(q^{-1}) = 1 + 0.0260q^{-1} - 0.7297q^{-2} - 0.2964q^{-3}$$

This controller gives :

- $M_m = \|S\|_{\infty}^{-1} = 0.3913$; $\|\mathcal{U}\|_{\infty} \approx 10$ dB.
- $|u(k)| < 1$ for an impulse output disturbance.
- Settling time of the output disturbance step response : 7 sec

Robust Pole Placement

Example



Original controller (blue curves), slowing down the closed-loop poles (red curves),
adding a fixed term $H_R(q^{-1}) = 1 + q^{-1}$ (green curves)