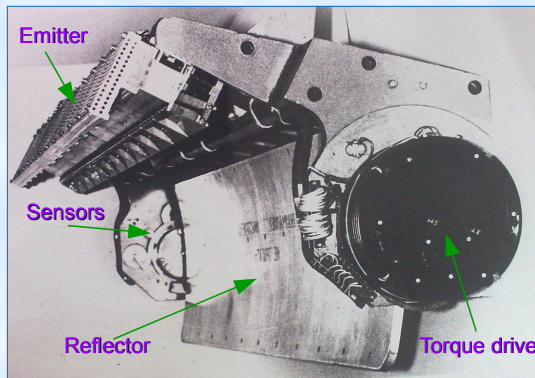


GENERAL COMPARISON OF DIRECT AND GEARED DRIVES FOR CONTROL APPLICATIONS

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$$\frac{\Omega_L \cdot (i \cdot K)}{U_a} = 1 - \frac{T_L}{I_{a.St} \cdot (i \cdot K)}$$

i, K - tunable parameters
 K - motor constant
 i - gear ratio

Two alternatives

K

i, K

Direct Drives (DD)

Geared Drives (GD)

Operation features	Transfer functions	DD's time constants are usually much higher
	Control system errors	In DD: $e_{torque} \gg e_{dynamic}$ In GD: $e_{torque} \ll e_{dynamic}$
	Speed ripples	Speed ripple is less for: - DD under high load inertia - GD under low load inertia
	Drive efficiency	DDs' efficiency is higher, but we should design a new torque motor for every new load specified
Application features	Weight and size	GDs provide lower dimensions and weight
	Service life and reliability	DD's reliability is higher due to the gearbox absence
	Vibrations and audible noise	GD produces more noise due to the high motor speed and the gearbox skirr
	Cost	DDs: initial price is higher GDs: maintenance cost is higher
	Motor selection procedure base	DDs: maximum required torque GDs: required maximum output power



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