

# Experiencing Torque Control

## A Literary Review

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# Introduction

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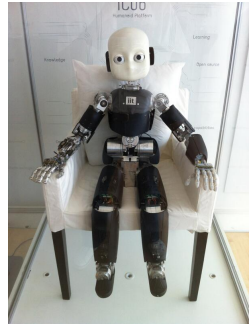
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The idea of Torque Control will be discussed in the following ways:

- Definitions
- Problems
- Techniques
- Interesting Concept
- Takeaway Points

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# Definitions

Let's All Speak The Same Language

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- Asymptotic Stability
- Lyapunov Stability
- Fuzzy Logic

## General Issues:

- Must manipulate end effector (or end joint) positions to execute a desired command [?]
- Must minimize or reject disturbances [?, ?]
- Conventional controllers need exact dynamical models [?]
- Extremely nonlinear [?, ?, ?]

## PID Controllers [?]

- Must decouple each joint
- Good for slow motion but degradation at faster speeds

## Torque Controllers:

- Excellent control comes at the cost of flux [?]
- Powerful nonlinear controller that is widely used in robotic manipulators

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## Super-Twisting Sliding Mode [?]

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- Fast switching of control inputs
- Produces a stable response
- The closed loop response is stable if external influences are bounded and gains set to large values
- Works well with PWM and inverter switching
- STSM control is a second order scheme
- Asymptotic convergence

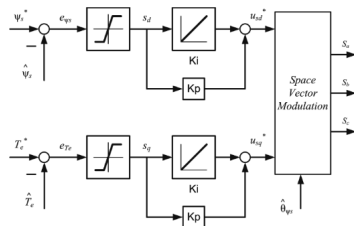


Figure 3. The sliding-mode direct torque and flux controller ( $r=0$ ).

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- The nonlinearity of the device can be controlled by changing the exponent  $r$  such that  $0 \leq r \leq$
- Step 1: with  $r = 0$ , select  $K_P$  for the desired response time
  - the flux rising time has a strong impact on startup peak current
- Step 2: with  $r = 1$ , select  $K_I$  for the desired overshoot and settling time.

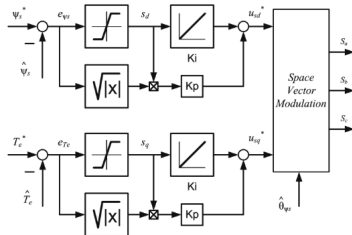


Figure 1. The STSM-DTC controller for IM drives.

- Try to not have a

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## PD Plus Gravity [?]

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- Fuzzy logic parameters can compensate for dynamic parameters
- Much simpler to implement than regular torque control problems
- Based on Brunousky canonical form

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I \end{bmatrix} N$$

$$N = B(q)[\dot{q}\dot{q}] + C(q)[\dot{q}]^2 + G(q)$$

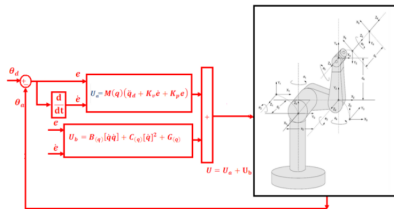


Fig 1: PD CTC with application to rigid manipulator



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For the PD Feedback for  $N(t)$ :

$$\tau = M(q)(\ddot{q}_d + K_D \dot{e} + K_P e) + N(q, \dot{q})$$

When gravity is added into the feedback system:

$$\tau = M(q)(\ddot{q}_d + K_D \dot{e} + K_P e) + G(q)$$

The above has been found to be stable in Lyapunov sense

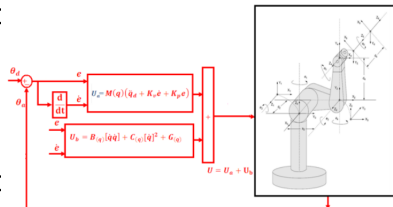


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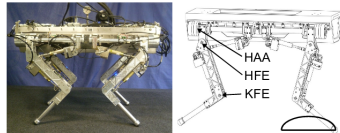


Fig. 1. HyQ: Hydraulic Quadruped robot. **Left:** picture of the robot. **Right:** sketch with labels of the three leg joints, hip abduction/adduction (HAA), hip flexion/extension (HFE) and knee flexion/extension (KFE) and end effector trajectory of the trot experiment presented in Section V.

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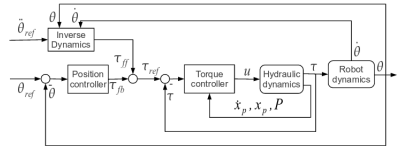
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# Takeaway

What did we learn?

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In conclusion, several items were learned:

- Robotic manipulators and joints are highly nonlinear
- Torque control has several different ways to solve
- Stability criteria can be met
- Latex Beamer is just not fun

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