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Introduction to Robotics

# Introduction to Control System Theory

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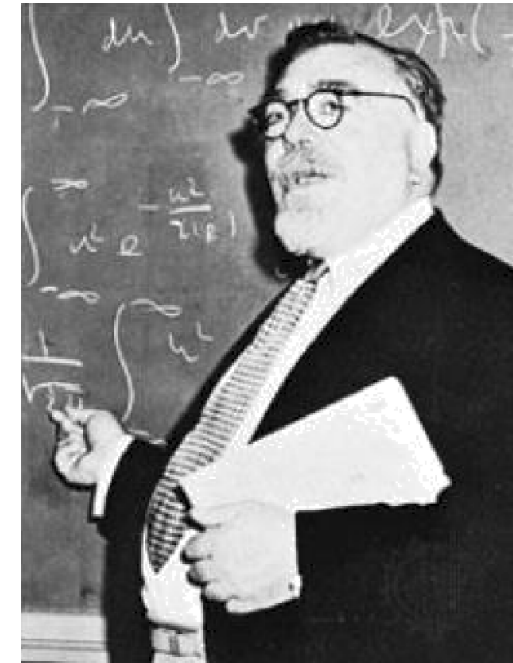
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# Control Theory

- Roots in another science: *Cybernetics*

Cybernetics is the study of feedback and derived concepts such as communication and control in living organisms, machines and organizations

- Expression was coined by Norbert Wiener in 1948.



# Control Systems Example

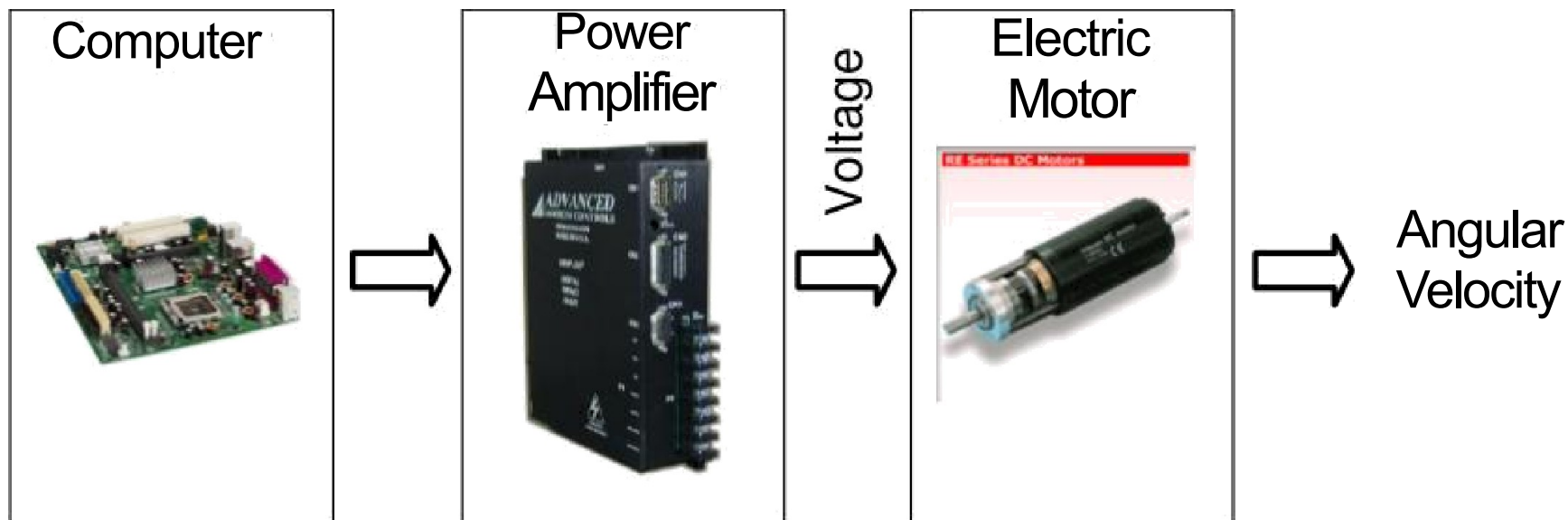
- Body temperature regulation
  - If cold, shiver (muscles produce heat)
  - If hot, sweat (evaporation takes away heat)
- Maintaining social peace
  - If a crime is found (sensor), the guilty party is punished (actuator).
- Cruise control in cars
  - You set a speed, Cruise control will increase fuel intake uphill, and decrease it downhill.
- Etc...

# Why Control Theory

- Systematic approach to analysis and design
  - Transient response
  - Consider sampling times, control frequency Taxonomy of basic controllers (PID, open-loop, Model-based, Feedforward...)
  - Select controller based on desired characteristics
- Predict system response to some input
  - Speed of response (e.g., adjust to workload changes)
  - Oscillations (variability)
- Assessing stability of system

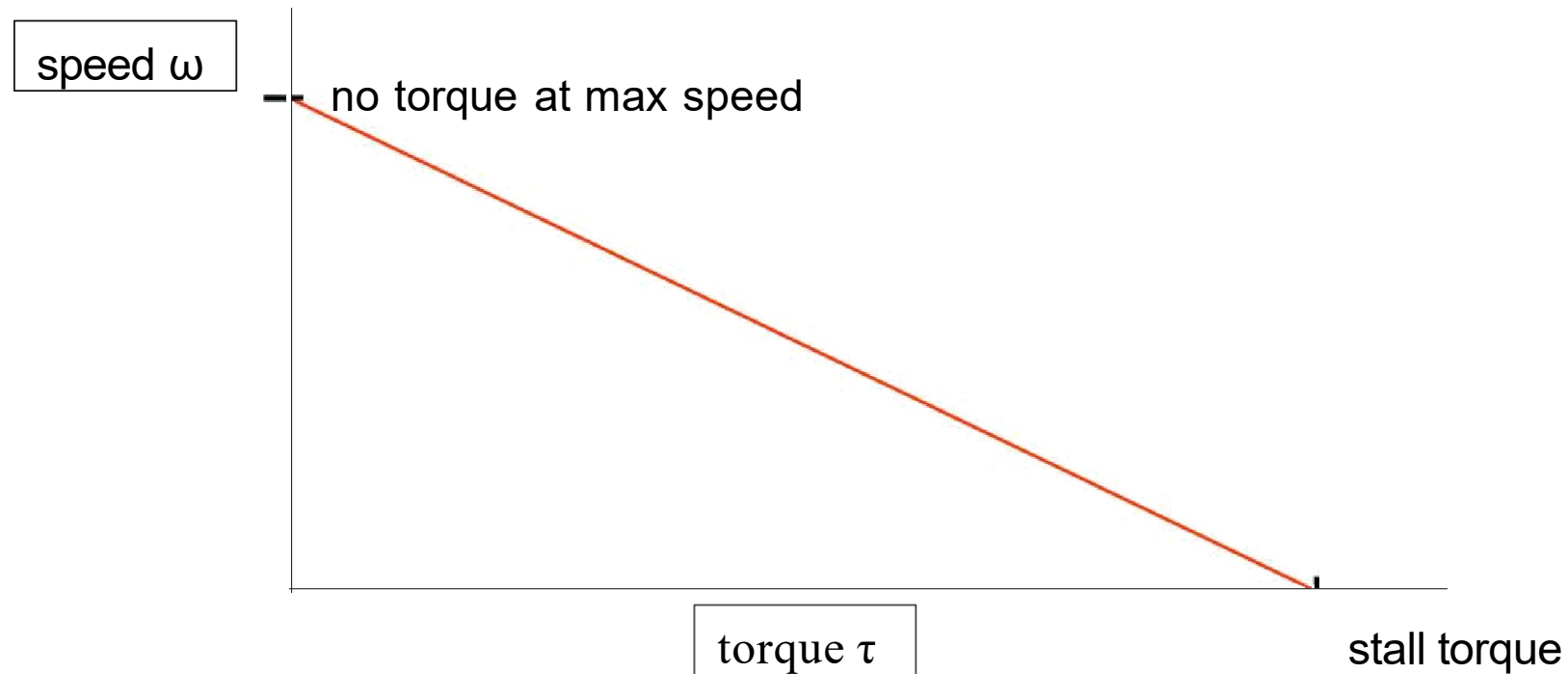
# Open Loop

- We want to spin a motor at a given angular velocity. We can apply a fixed voltage to it, and never check to see if it is rotating properly.
- Called open loop.



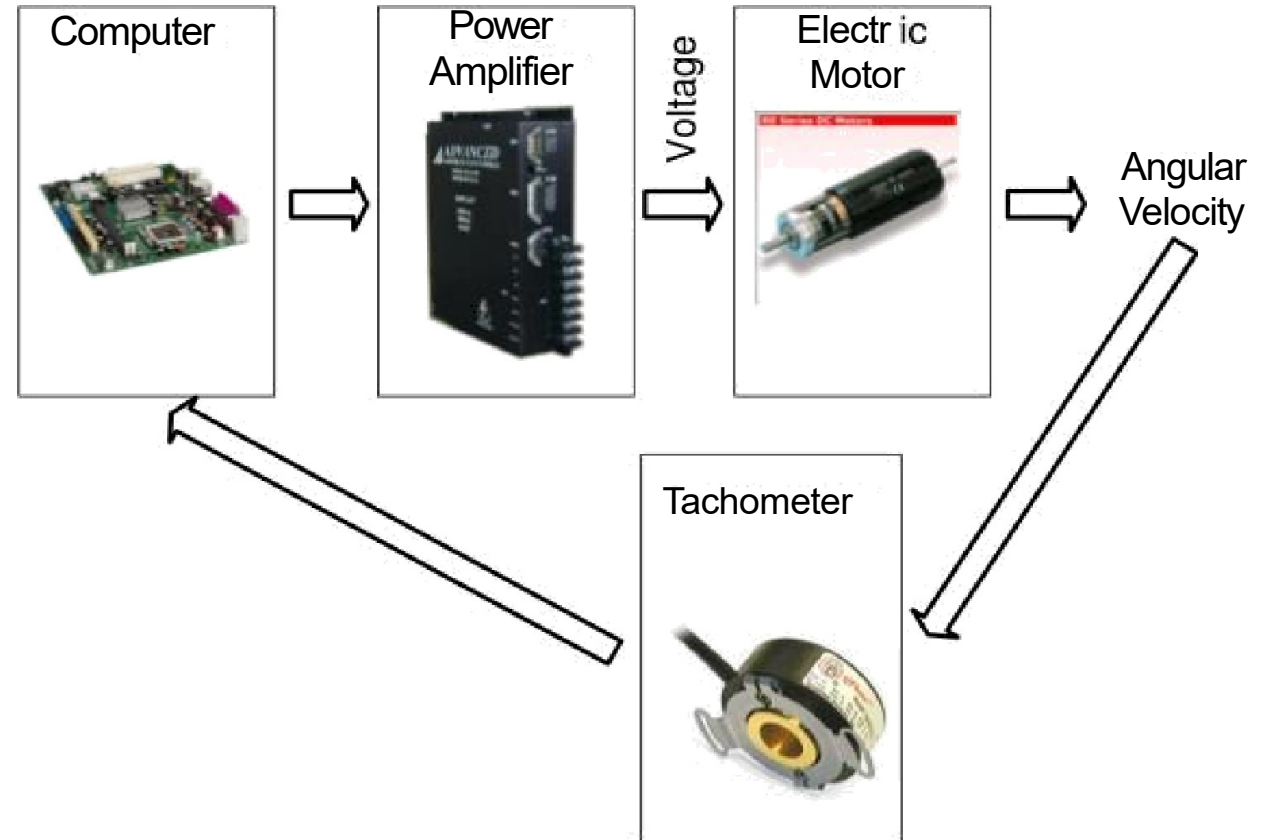
# Open Loop

- What if there is a changing load on the motor?
  - — Our output velocity will change!



# Closing the Loop

- Let's measure the actual angular velocities.
- Now we can compensate for changes in load by *feeding back* some information.

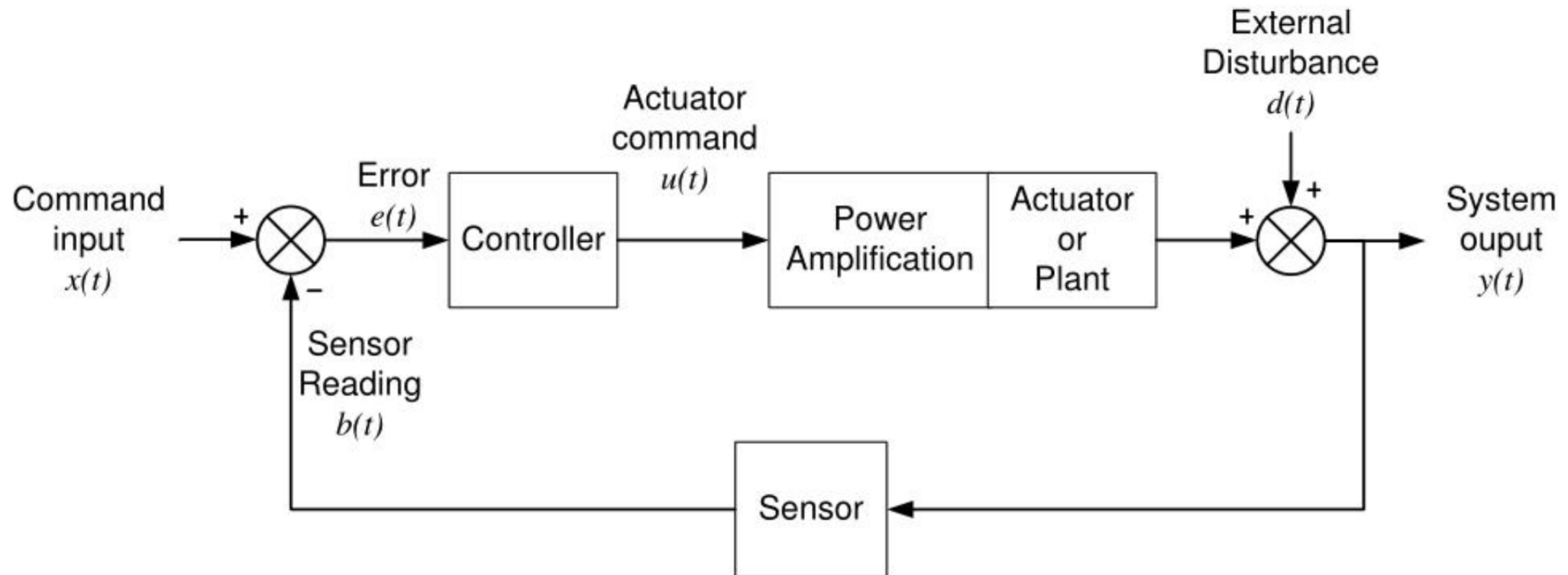


# Characteristics of Feedback System

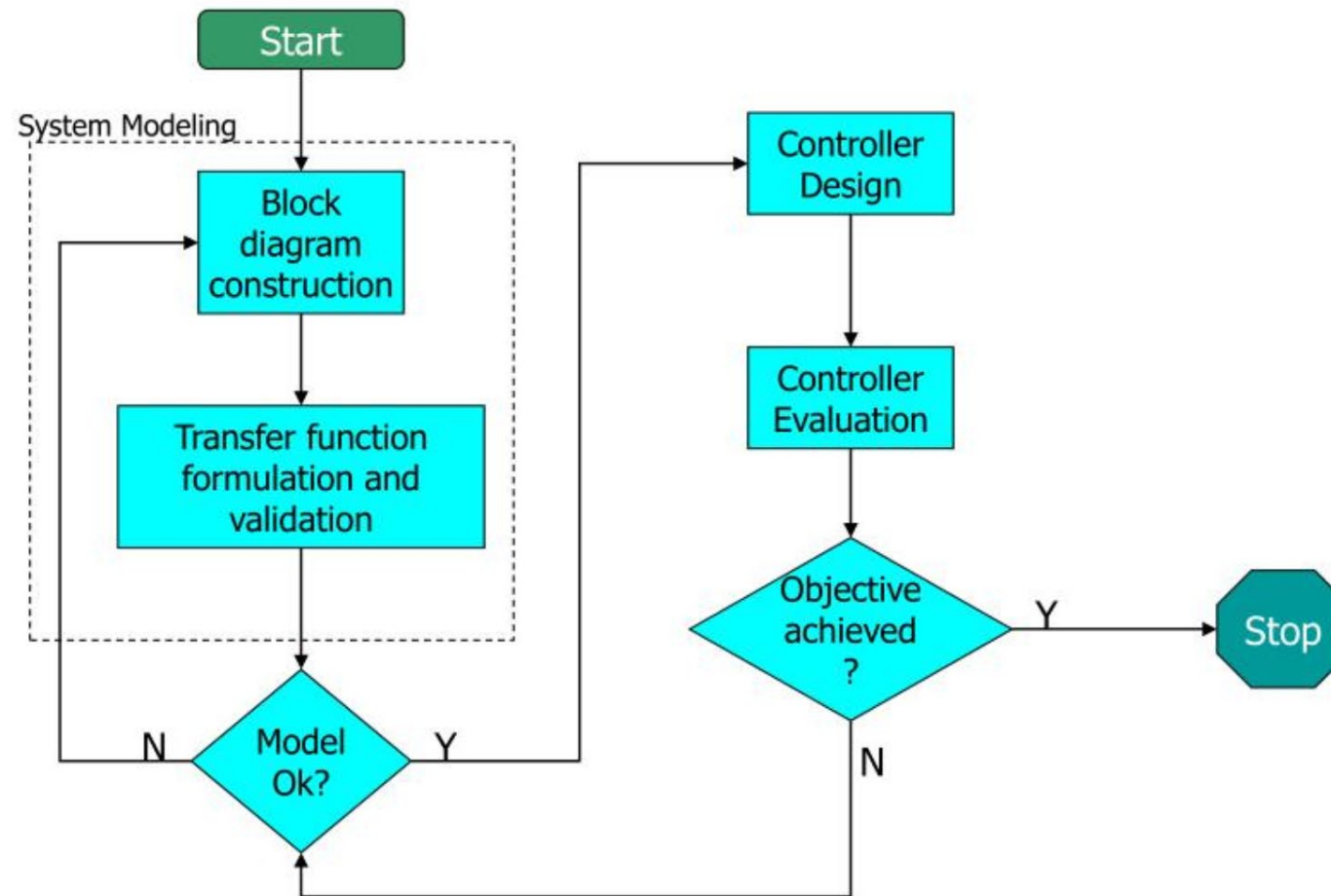
- Power amplification
- Actuator
- Feedback
  - measurement (sensor)
- Error signal
- Controller



# Classic Feedback Diagram



# Controller Design Methodology









# Control System Goals

- Regulation
  - Thermostat
- Tracking
  - robot movement, adjust TCP window to network bandwidth
- Optimization
  - best mix of chemicals, minimize response times

# Approaches to System Modeling

- First Principles
  - Based on known laws.
  - Physics, Queueing theory.
  - Difficult to do for complex systems.
- Experimental (System Identification)
  - Requires collecting data
  - Is there a good “training set”?

# Common Laplace Transform

Name	$f(t)$		$F(s)$
Impulse $\delta$	$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t = 0 \\ 0 & t > 0 \end{cases}$		1
Step	$f(t) = 1$		$\frac{1}{s}$
Ramp	$f(t) = t$		$\frac{1}{s^2}$
Exponential	$f(t) = e^{-at}$		$\frac{1}{s + a}$
Sine	$f(t) = \sin(\omega t)$		$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
Damped Sine	$f(t) = e^{-at} \sin(\omega t)$		$\frac{\omega}{(s + a)^2 + \omega^2}$

# Properties of Laplace Transform

1. Linearity	$\sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n x_n(t)$	$\sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n X_n(s)$
2. Time shift	$x(t - t_0)u(t - t_0)$	$X(s) \exp(-st_0)$
3. Frequency shift	$\exp(s_0 t)x(t)$	$X(s - s_0)$
4. Time scaling	$x(\alpha t), \alpha > 0$	$1/\alpha X(s/\alpha)$
5. Differentiation	$dx(t)/dt$	$s X(s) - x(0^-)$
6. Integration	$\int_0^t x(\tau) d\tau$	$\frac{1}{s} X(s)$
7. Multiplication by $t$	$t x(t)$	$-\frac{dX(s)}{ds}$
8. Modulation	$x(t) \cos \omega_0 t$	$\frac{1}{2} [X(s - j\omega_0) + X(s + j\omega_0)]$
	$x(t) \sin \omega_0 t$	$\frac{1}{2j} [X(s - j\omega_0) - X(s + j\omega_0)]$
9. Convolution	$x(t) * h(t)$	$X(s)H(s)$
10. Initial value	$x(0^+)$	$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s X(s)$
11. Final value	$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t)$	$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s X(s)$

# Transfer Function

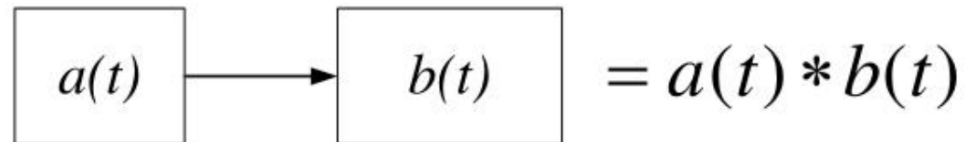
- Definition: Transfer function is defined as the ratio of LT of output to the L.T of input. When all the initial condition assume to be zero.

$$H(s) = Y(s) / X(s)$$

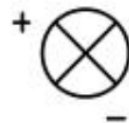
- Relates the output of a linear system to its input.
- Describes how a linear system responds to an impulse, called impulse response
- All linear operations allowed
  - Scaling, addition, multiplication

# Block Diagram

- Expresses flows and relationships between elements in system.
- Blocks may recursively be systems.
- Rules
  - Cascaded elements: convolution

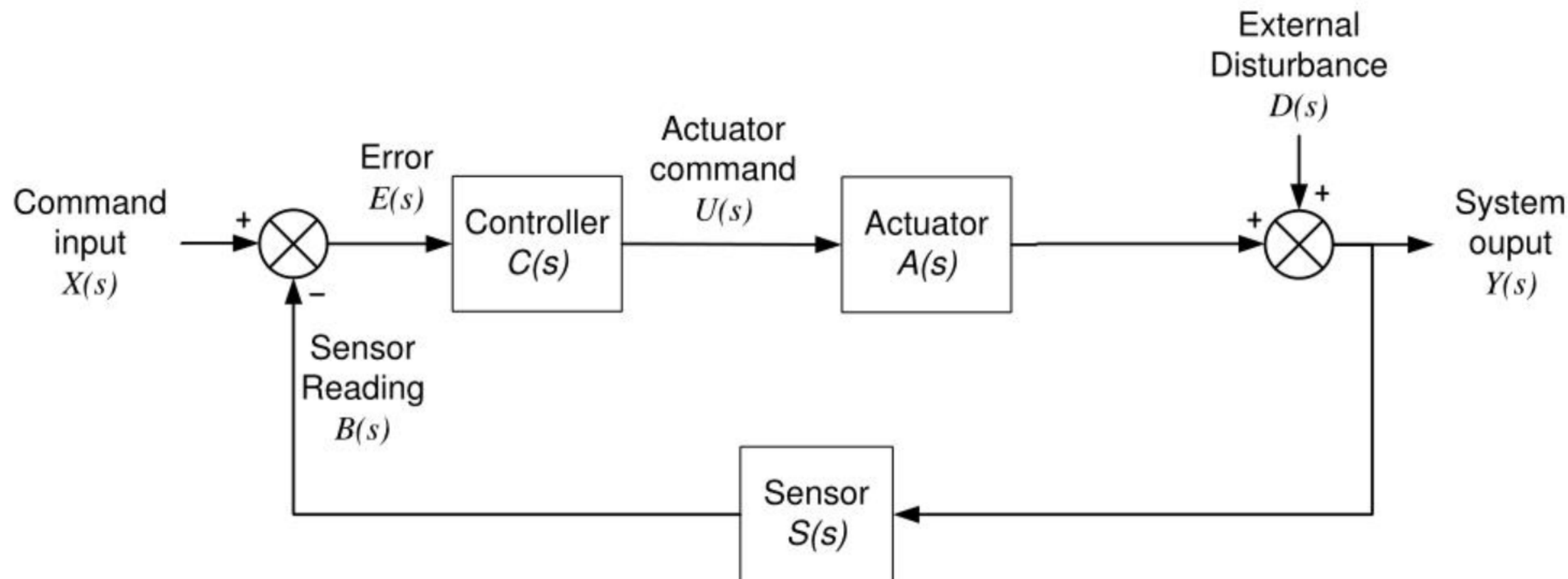


- Summation and deference elements

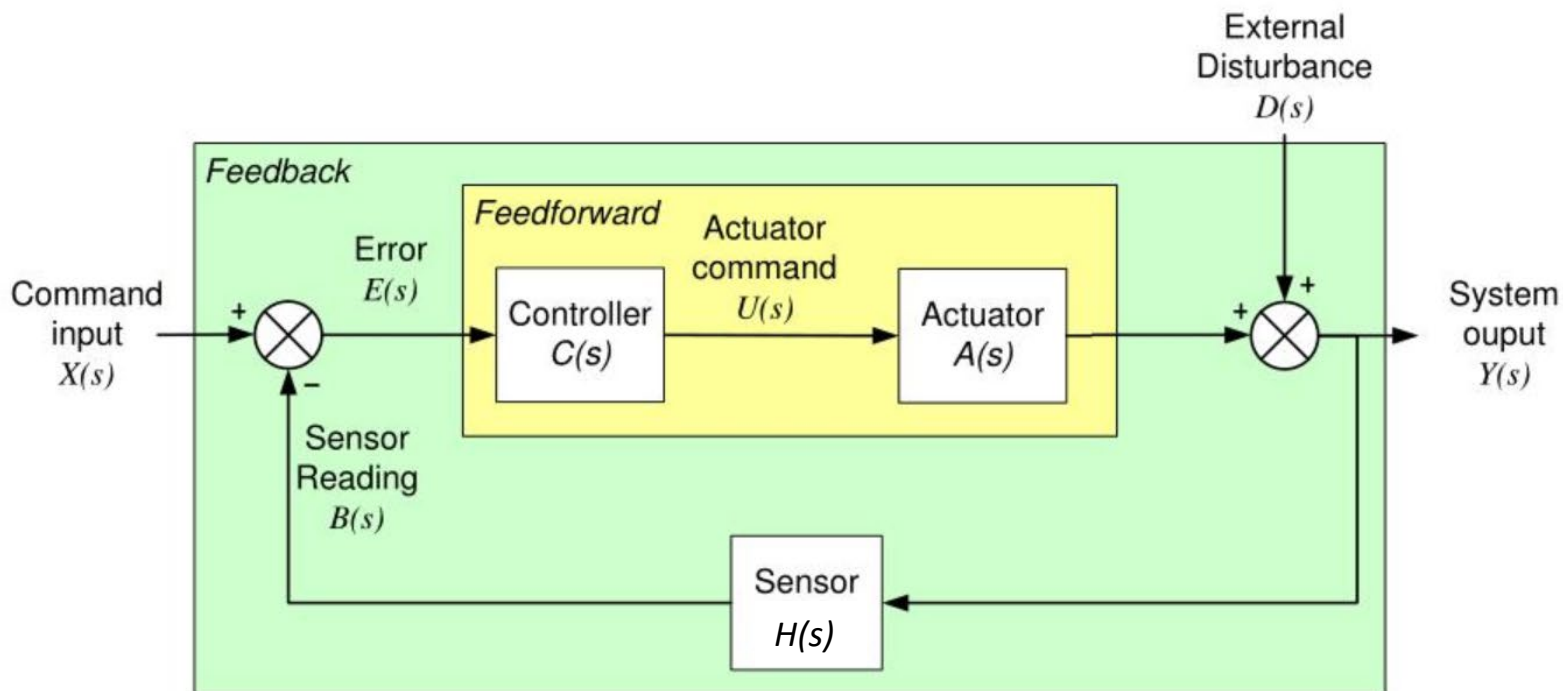




# Laplace Transform of Classic Feedback System



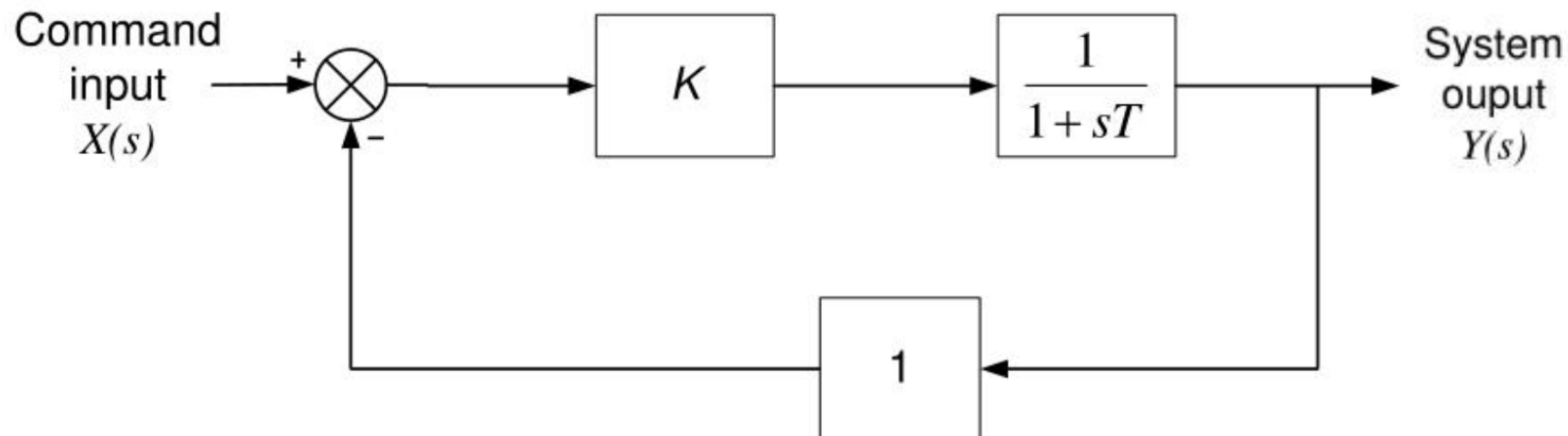
# Key Transfer Function



$$\text{Feedforward} : \frac{Y(s)}{E(s)} = C(s)A(s)$$

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# First Order System

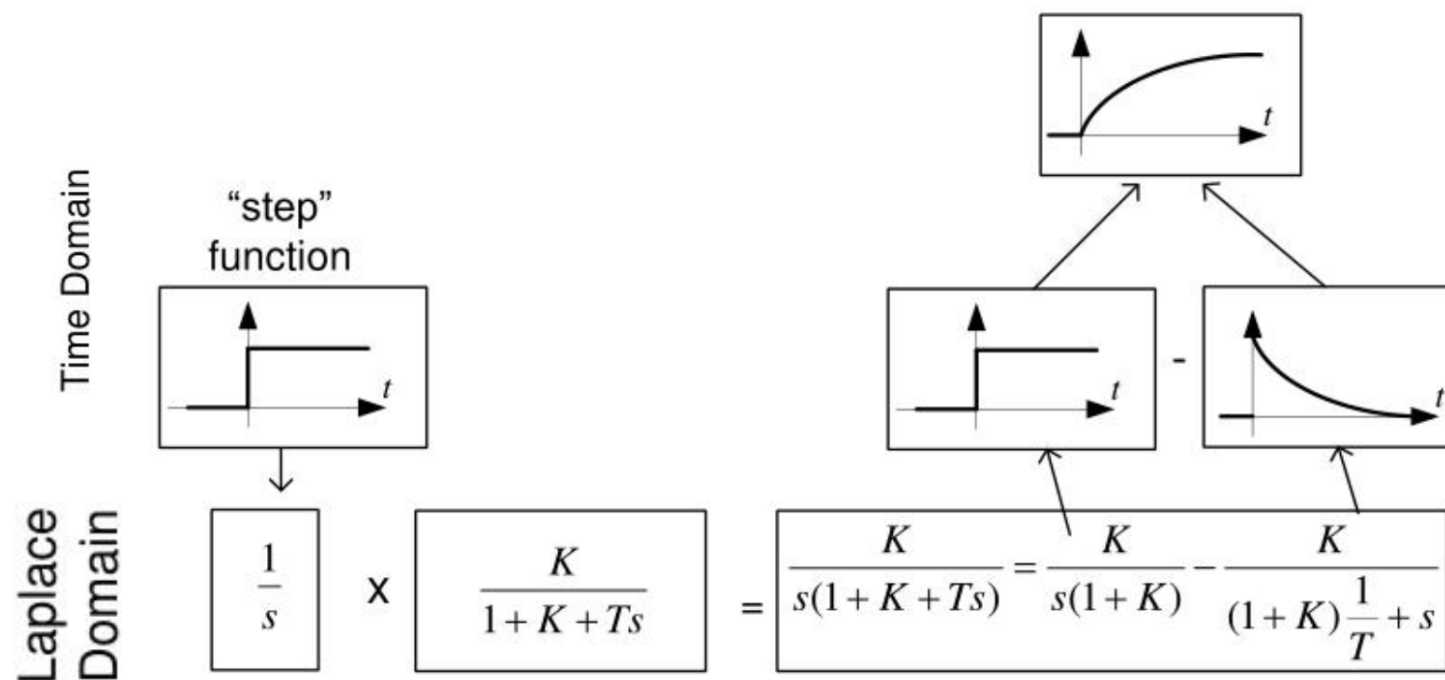


$$\frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{K}{1 + K + sT}$$

# Response of the System

- Impulse Response

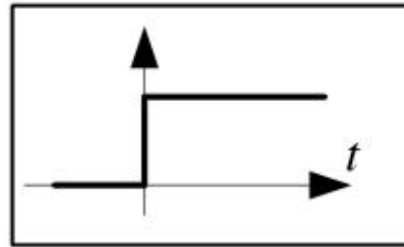
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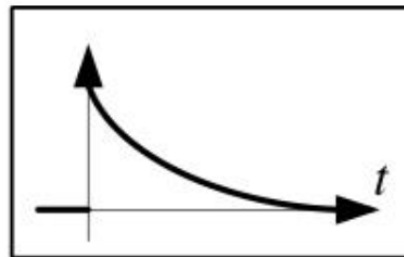
# Steady-State Vs Transient

- Step Response illustrates how a system response can be decomposed into two components

- Steady-state part:



- Transient



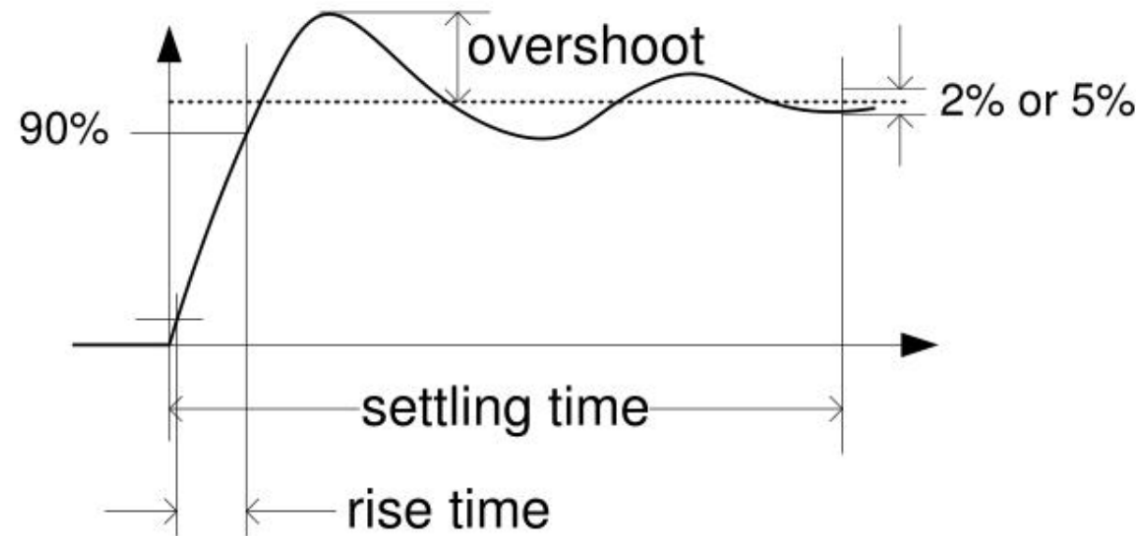
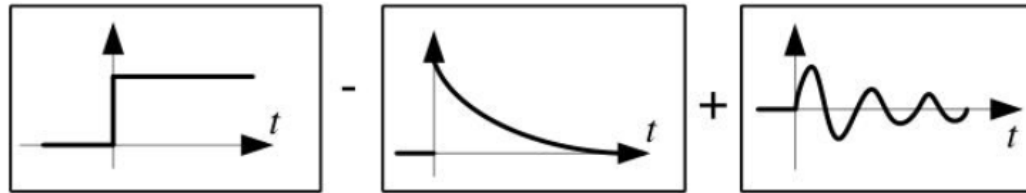
# Second Order System

- Impulse response

$$\frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{K}{Js^2 + Bs + K} = \frac{\omega_N^2}{s^2 + 2\xi\omega_N s + \omega_N^2}$$

# Second Order Response

- Typical response to step input is:



**overshoot** -- % of final value exceeded at first *oscillation*

**rise time** -- time to span from 10% to 90% of the final value

**settling time** -- time to reach within 2% or 5% of the final value

# PID Controller

- It produces an output, which is the combination of the outputs of proportional , integral & derivative controllers

$$u(t) \propto e(t) + \int e(t) + \frac{d}{dt} e(t)$$

$$\gg u(t) = K_P e(t) + K_I \int e(t) + K_D \frac{d}{dt} e(t)$$

Laplace transform in both side

$$U(S) = K_P E(S) + \frac{K_I}{S} E(S) + K_D S E(S)$$

$$U(S) = E(S) \left( K_P + \frac{K_I}{S} + K_D S \right)$$

$$\frac{U(S)}{E(S)} = \left( K_P + \frac{K_I}{S} + K_D S \right) = \frac{K_P S + K_I + K_D S^2}{S}$$



# Basic PID Controller Function

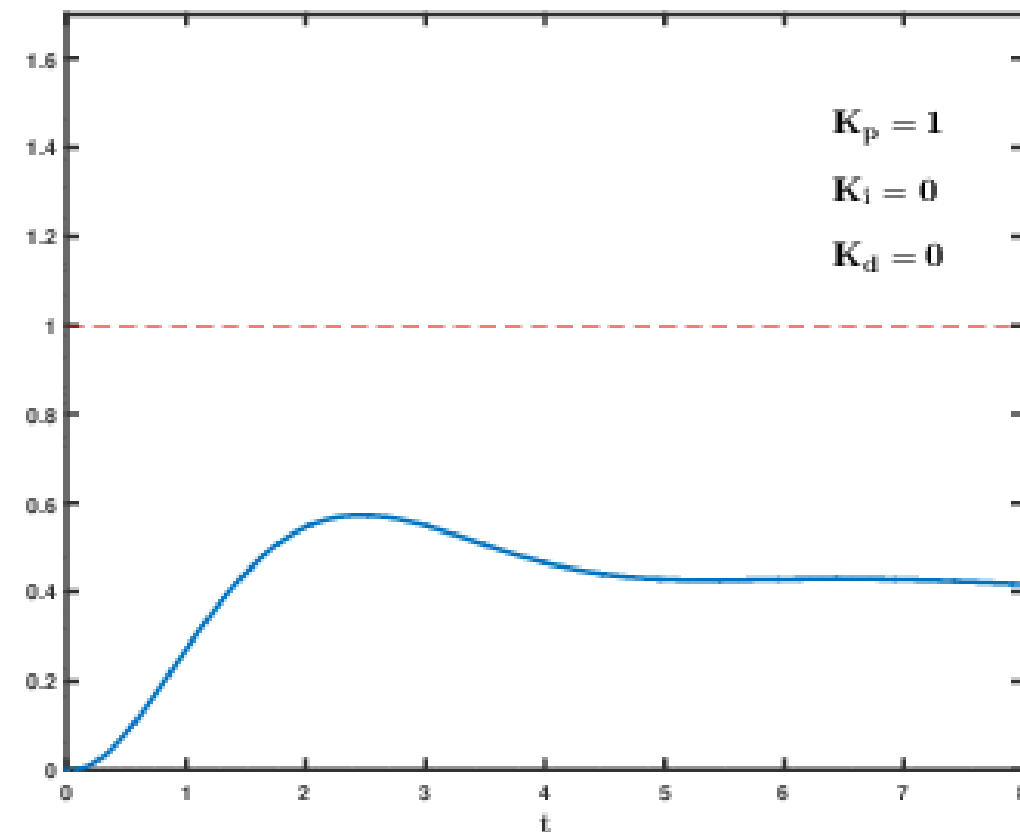
Proportional control :  $u(t) = K_p e(t)$   $\frac{U(s)}{E(s)} = K_p$

Integral control :  $u(t) = K_i \int_0^t e(t) dt$   $\frac{U(s)}{E(s)} = \frac{K_i}{s}$

Differential control :  $u(t) = K_d \frac{d}{dt} e(t)$   $\frac{U(s)}{E(s)} = K_d s$

# Effect of Controller Functions

- Proportional Action
  - Simplest Controller Function
- Integral Action
  - Eliminates steady-state error
  - Can cause oscillations
- Derivative Action (“rate control”)
  - Effective in transient periods
  - Provides faster response (higher sensitivity)
  - Never used alone



# PID Tuning

## How to get the PID parameter values ?

- If we know the transfer function, analytical methods can be used (e.g., root-locus method) to meet the transient and steady-state specs.
- When the system dynamics are not precisely known, we must resort to experimental approaches.

## Ziegler-Nichols Rules for Tuning PID Controller

Using only Proportional control, turn up the gain until the system oscillates without dying down, i.e., is marginally stable. Assume that  $K$  and  $P$  are the resulting gain and oscillation period, respectively.

Then Use

for P control

$$K_p = 0.5 K$$

for PI control

$$K_p = 0.45 K$$

$$K_i = 1.2 / P$$

for PID control

$$K_p = 0.6 K$$

$$K_i = 2.0 / P$$

$$K_d = P / 8.0$$

Ziegler-Nichols Tuning  
for second or higher  
order systems

# Conclusion

- PID control---most widely used control strategy today
- Over 90% of control loops employ PID control, often the derivative gain set to zero (PI control)
- The three terms are intuitive---a non - specialist can grasp the essentials of the PID controller's action. It does not require the operator to be familiar with advanced math to use PID controllers
- Engineers prefer PID controls over untested solutions