

Position Control of Hydraulic Servo Axis in Fluid Mechatronics Lab

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Hydraulic Servo Systems

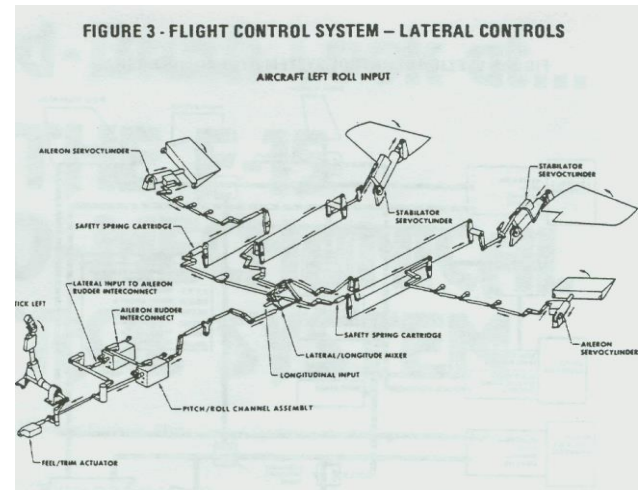
- **Description:** control system that converts a low power motion into much greater power motion.
- *Applications in industry aerospace*

- **Advantages:**

- High power density
- Accurate
- high cut-off frequency
- Sensitive application

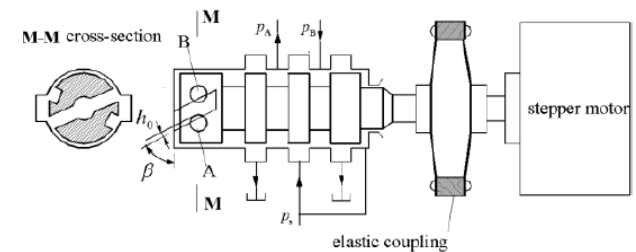
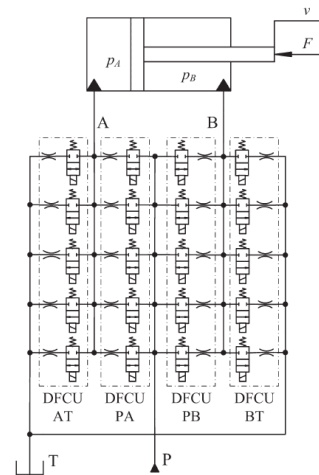
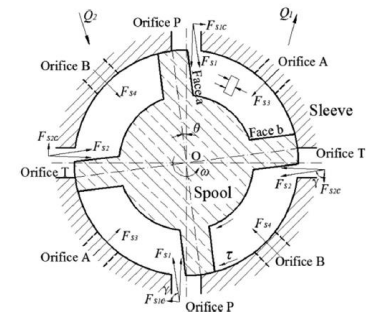
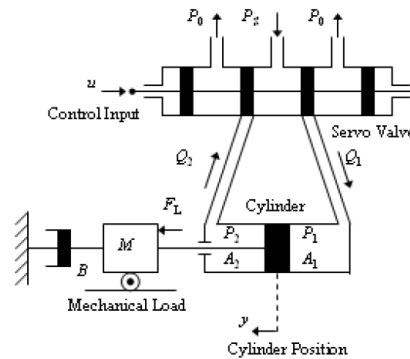
- **Disadvantages:**

- High cost
- vulnerable

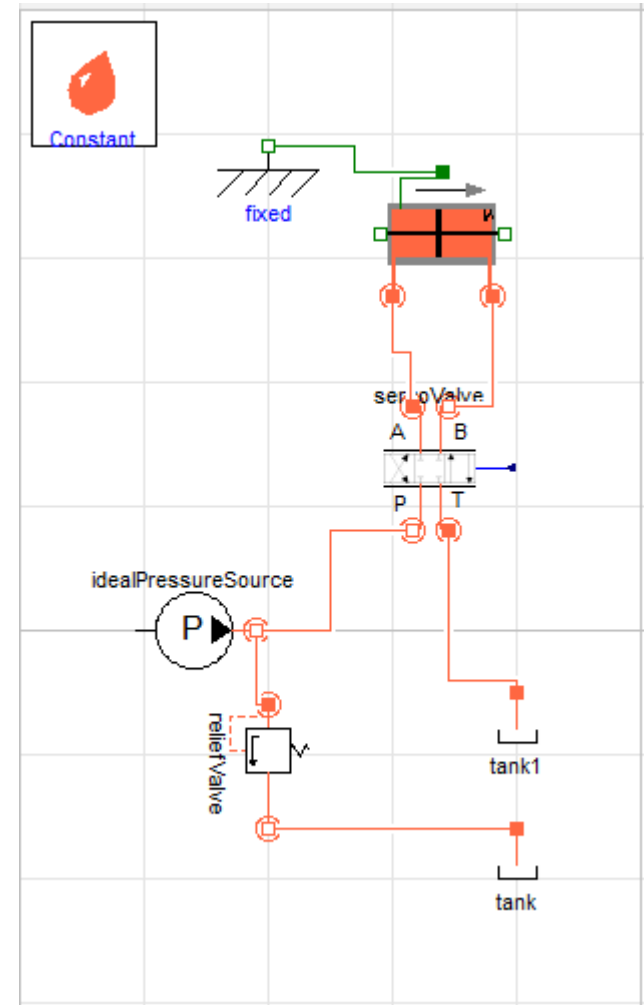
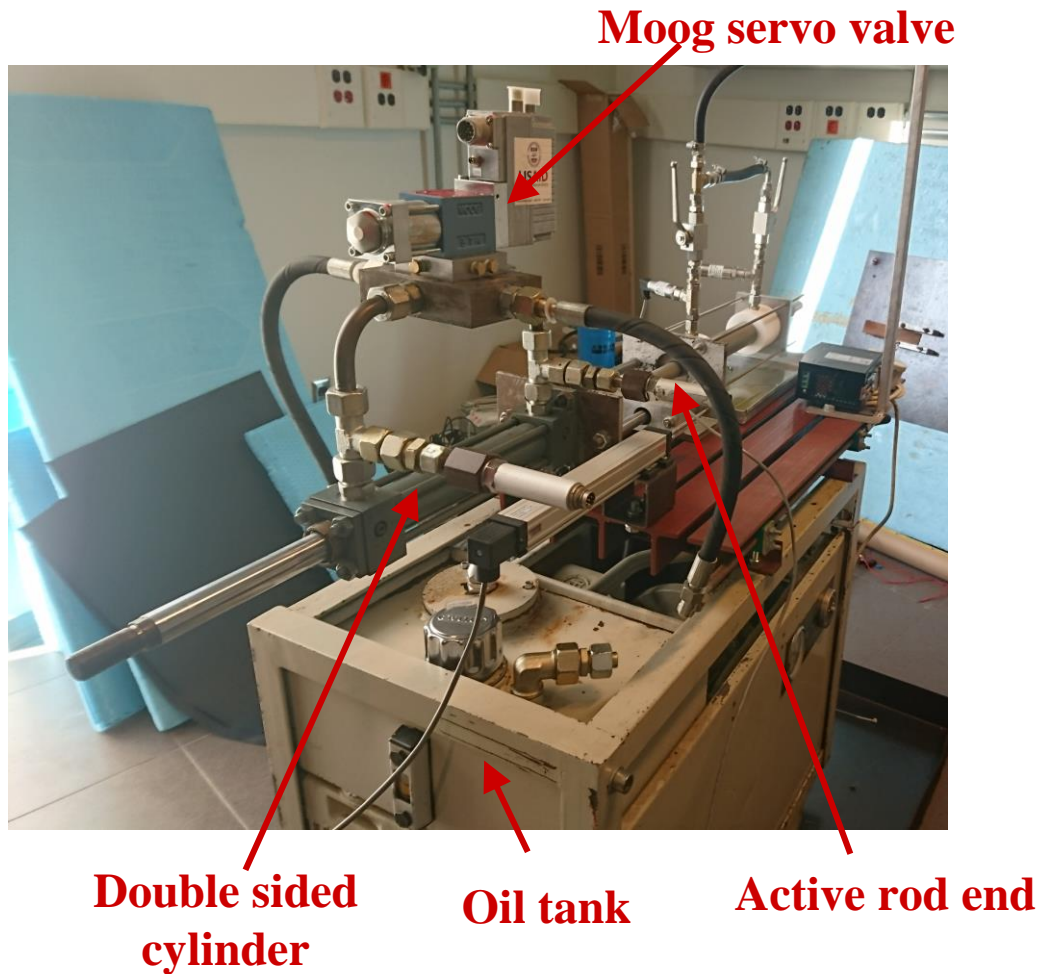


HSS Components

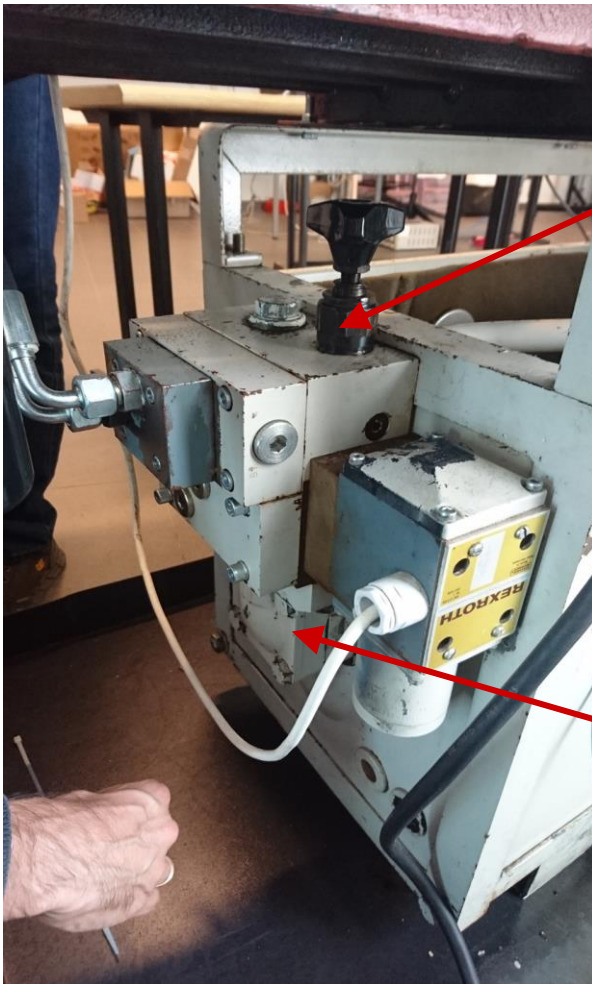
- Pump
- Pipelines
- fluid
- Control valves:
 - sliding spool
 - rotary spool
 - sliding + rotary
 - digital
- Actuators:
 - Linear
 - Rotary



Basic Test Bench Elements

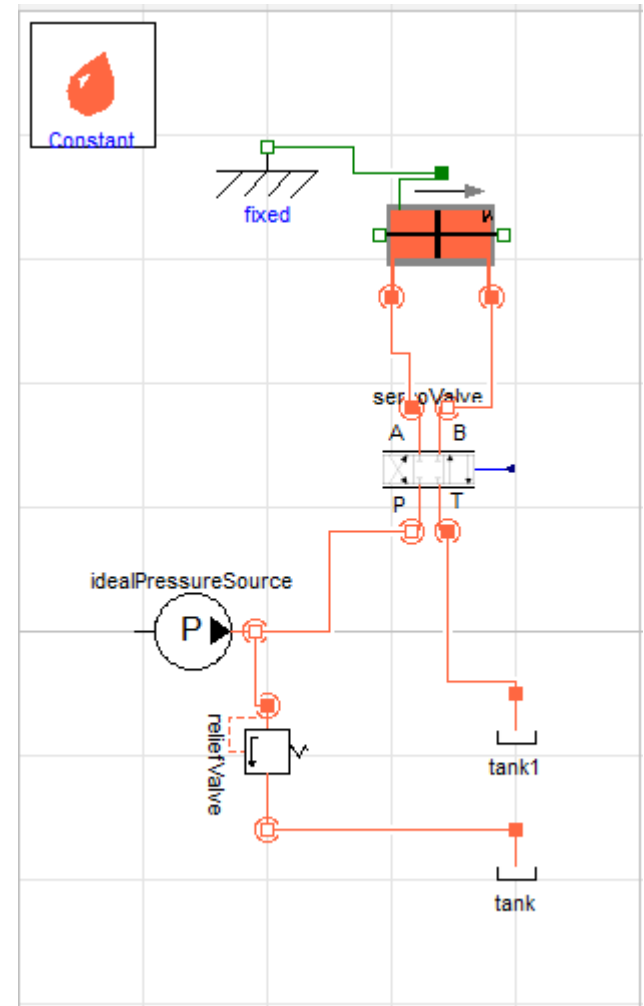


Basic Test Bench Elements



**pressure relief
valve**

**Pump
5 kW,
110 bar**



Control Problem

Position control of hydraulic Servo axis using MOOG servo-valve, without applicable load

Desired performance:

- Response time
- accuracy

Modeling challenges

- Multidisciplinary knowledge required for complete modeling
- Nonlinearities:
 - fluid compressibility
 - flow properties of the servo-valve
 - friction in the hydraulic actuators
- Uncertainties:
 - operating conditions: valve, oil and load parameters (temperature dependent...)
 - disturbances

Physical Modeling

The hydraulic-servo system is divided into the following subsystems:

- Power supply
- Pipelines between power supply and servo valve
- Servo-valve
- Pipelines between the servo valve and the actuator
- Actuator

Physical Modeling

In the literature, researchers have formulated mathematical models for all the subsystems mentioned by using the **basic formulas**:

$$\sum Forces = m \ddot{x}$$

&

$$\dot{p} = \frac{E}{V} (\sum Q - \dot{V})$$

Non-linear Model

Non linear state-space equations for the valve and actuator are:

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = \frac{1}{m_t(x_1)} [(x_3 - \alpha x_4) A_p - F_f(x_2) - u_2]$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = \frac{E_A(x_3)}{V_A(x_1)} [Q_A(x_3, x_5) - A_p x_2 + Q_{Li}(x_3, x_4)]$$

$$\dot{x}_4 = \frac{E_B(x_4)}{V_B(x_1)} [Q_B(x_4, x_5) + \alpha A_p x_2 - Q_{Li}(x_3, x_4)]$$

$$\dot{x}_5 = x_6$$

$$\dot{x}_6 = \omega_v^2 [u_1 - \frac{2D_v}{\omega_v} x_6 - x_5 - f_{hs} \text{sign}(x_5)]$$

where

$$x_1 = x_p$$

$$x_2 = \dot{x}_p$$

$$x_3 = p_A$$

$$x_4 = p_B$$

$$x_5 = x_v^* = \frac{x_v}{x_{v,\max}}$$

$$x_6 = \dot{x}_v^* = \frac{\dot{x}_v}{x_{v,\max}}$$

$$u_1 = u_v^* = \frac{u_v}{u_{v,\max}}$$

$$u_2 = F_{\text{external}}$$

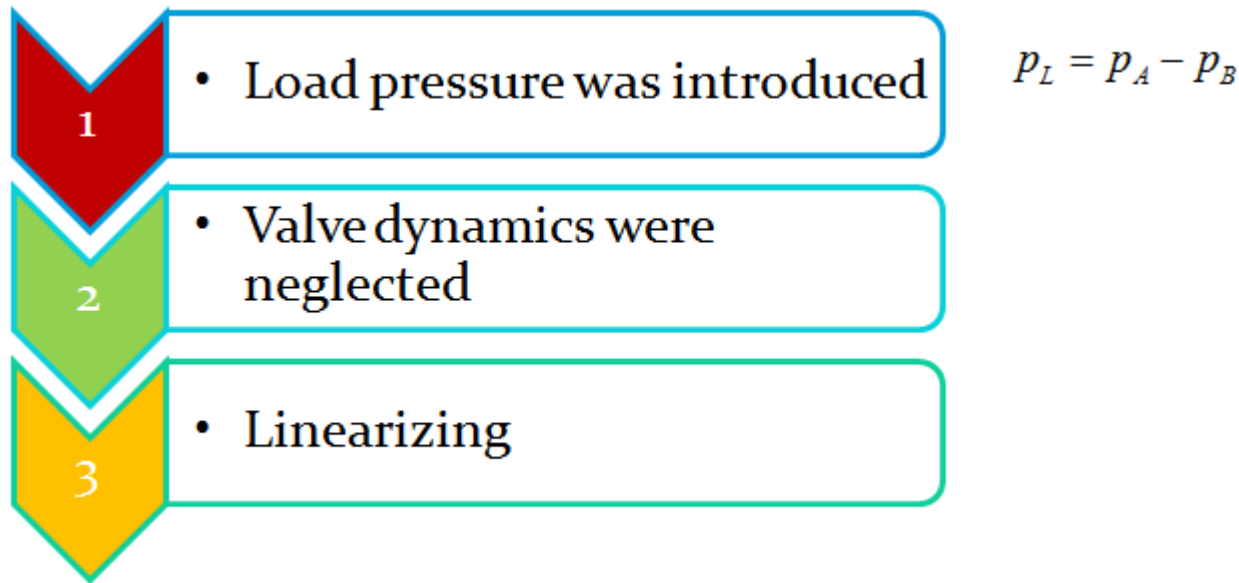
Assumptions

Nonlinear model **assumptions:**

- Neglecting pipeline dynamics (short pipe lengths)
- Constant supply pressure
- Rigidly fixed cylinder
- Turbulent valve flow

Simplified Linear Model

To build a simple or reduced “linear” model that accounts for the dominant servo system characteristics:



Simplified Linear Model

The new **linear** and reduced state space model becomes:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{\sigma}{m_p} & \frac{A_p}{m_p} \\ 0 & -2\frac{A_p}{C_h} & -\frac{1}{T_h} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ K_Q \end{bmatrix} u_1 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u_2$$

zero in our case

where

$$x_1 \equiv \Delta x_p \quad x_2 \equiv \Delta \dot{x}_p \quad x_3 \equiv \Delta p_L$$

$$u_1 \equiv \Delta u_v^* \quad u_2 \equiv \Delta F_{\text{ext}}$$

$$T_m = \frac{m_p}{\sigma}, \quad K_d = \frac{A_p}{C_h},$$

$$C_h = \left(\frac{E'_A}{V_A} + \alpha^2 \frac{E'_B}{V_B} \right)$$

$$K_Q = \frac{E'_A}{V_A} K_{Qx,A} - \alpha \frac{E'_B}{V_B} K_{Qx,B}$$

$$T_h = \frac{1}{\alpha \frac{E'_B}{V_B} \left[\frac{-K_{Qp,B} \alpha^2 + C_{Li} (1 + \alpha^2)}{1 + \alpha^3} \right] - \frac{E'_A}{V_A} \left[\frac{K_{Qp,A} - C_{Li} (1 + \alpha^2)}{1 + \alpha^3} \right]}$$

Piston Response

- In frequency domain, piston's position can be described as:

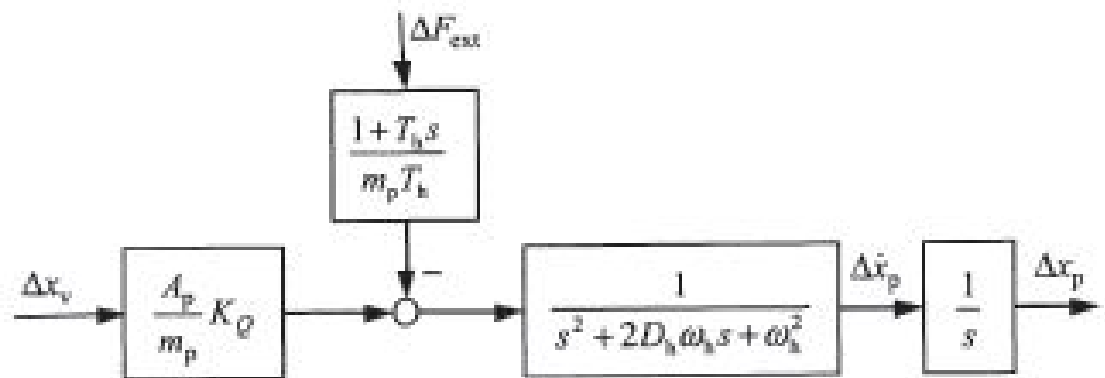
$$\Delta x_p(s) = \frac{\frac{A_p}{m_p} K_Q \Delta x_v(s) - \frac{1+T_h s}{m_p T_h} \Delta F_{ext}(s)}{s \left[s^2 + \left(\frac{1}{T_m} + \frac{1}{T_h} \right) s + \frac{1}{T_m} \left(\frac{1}{T_h} + K_m K_d \right) \right]} = \frac{\frac{A_p}{m_p} K_Q \Delta x_v(s) - \frac{1+T_h s}{m_p T_h} \Delta F_{ext}(s)}{s(s^2 + 2D_h \omega_h s + \omega_h^2)}$$

- By identification we get:

$$\omega_h = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T_m T_h} + K_m K_d}$$

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$$D_h = \frac{1}{2\omega_h} \left(\frac{1}{T_m} + \frac{1}{T_h} \right)$$

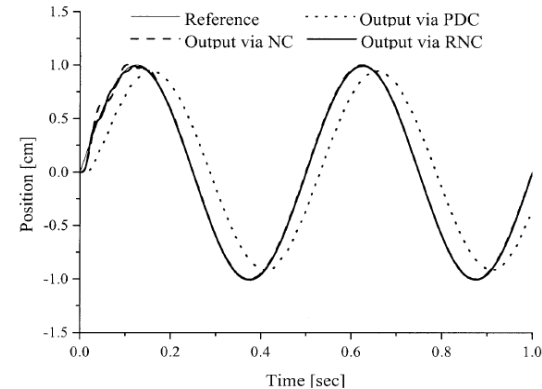


Control Techniques

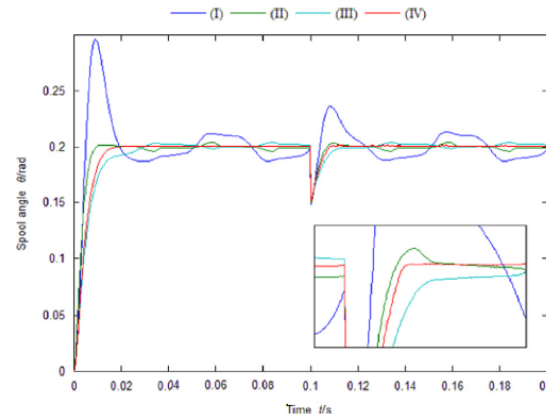
- Classical feedback control
- State feedback control
- Extensions to feedback control
- Adaptive control
- Variable structure control
- Fuzzy control
- Neuro-control

Which one to chose?

➤ (Application, accuracy, effort, cost, feasibility)



Robust two-stage non-linear control



State
feedback
integral
control using
a Lyapunov
function

Fig. 13. Step response under an output fluctuation using (I) PID control, (II) state feedback control, (III) state feedback integral control, and (IV) the proposed controller.








System Control

- **position control** methods are based on “classical feedback control” to control the position of the piston in the cylinder.

Table 6.2. Overview of linear controls performance on a scale from – – (worst) to + + (best)

	Linear controller						
	P	I	PI	PD	PID	PT ₁	PPT ₁
Transfer function	K_p	$\frac{1}{T_I s}$	$K_p \left(1 + \frac{1}{T_I s}\right)$	$K_p (1 + T_D s)$	$K_p \left(1 + \frac{1}{T_I s} + T_D s\right)$	$\frac{K_{p1}}{1 + sT_p}$	$K_{p1} + \frac{K_{p2}}{1 + sT_p}$
Position control	+	--	- / 0	-	0 / -	++	++
Velocity control	-	+	++	--	++	+ / 0	
Force control	-	+	++	--	++		

Control Design Steps

- 1) Modelling  equations
- 2) Input-Output Controllability Analysis  expected behavior
- 3) Control Structure Selection  links between measured variables
- 4) Controller Design  equations
- 5) Control System Analysis  assessment against performance specs
- 6) Controller Implementation  simulations using software
- 7) Commissioning and Tuning  tuning and optimization

Implementation and Testing

The actual results are to be validated against simulation results

Thank you for your attention

