

PID Tuning

10 - Step Process

*** with Rate-Control Example ***

Step-by-step recipe for success

Each step demonstrated by example

- Current Driver Circuit (1st order system)
- Motor & Load (2nd order system)
- Optical Encoder with discretization error
- Typical u-controller with average clock speed

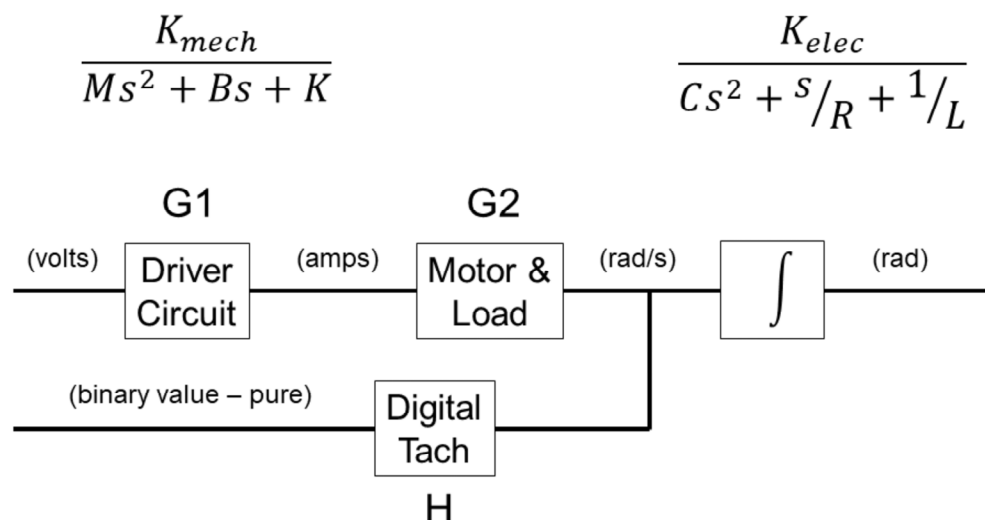
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Step 1: System ID & Linearize



Break system into sub-systems

ID all signals

Develop model of each sub-system

- Most elec / mech systems can be APPROXIMATED as 2nd order system + gain
- Calculate Xfer Functions "G1, G2, ..." from Data Sheets (**DS**) & known values

If no data sheet, record step response at reasonable OPERATING POINT and APPROXIMATE:

- 0-order linear approximation
- 1st or 2nd order approximation
- Additional (3rd) poles if shape "unusual"

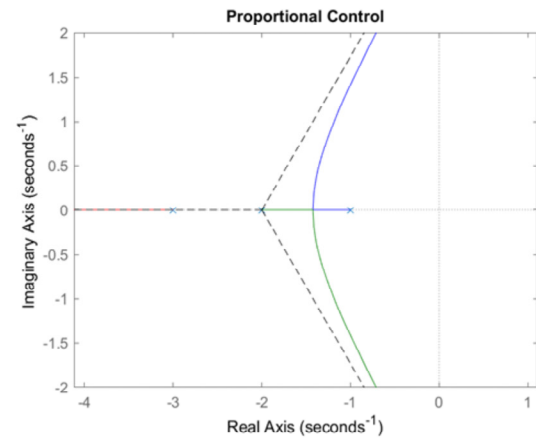
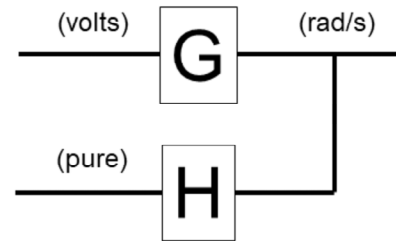
Hint

- Linear sub-system modeled by constant (gain)
- DELAY modeled by POLE
- Neglect non-linearities (discontinuities, noise, etc.)

Step 2: System P&Z

$$G = \frac{20}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)}$$

$$H = 1$$

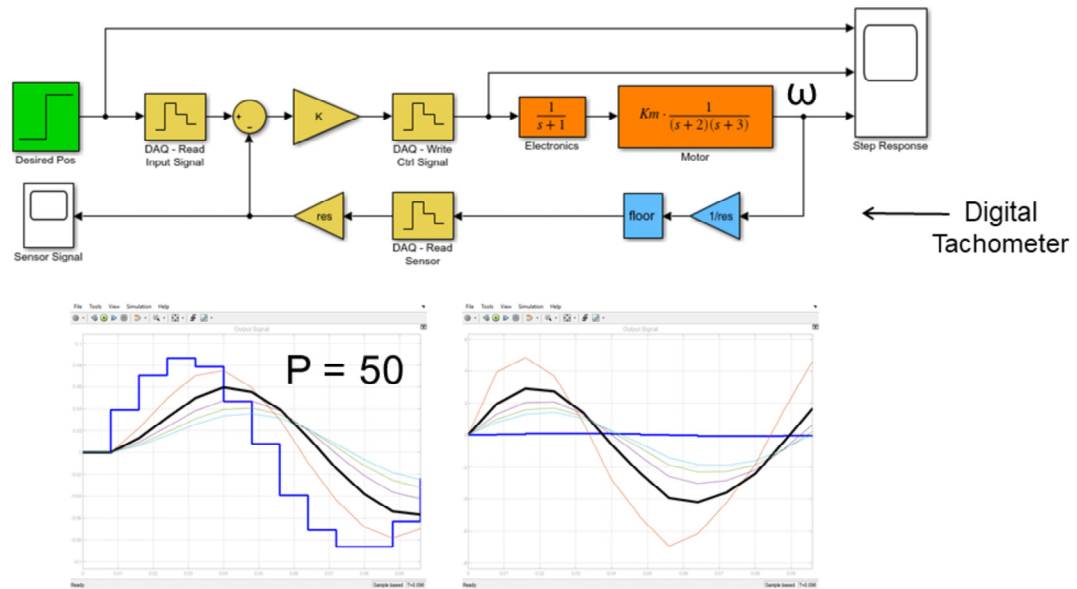


Combine & compute Loop Gain (GH)

- Identify Poles & Zeros

Plot Root-Locus

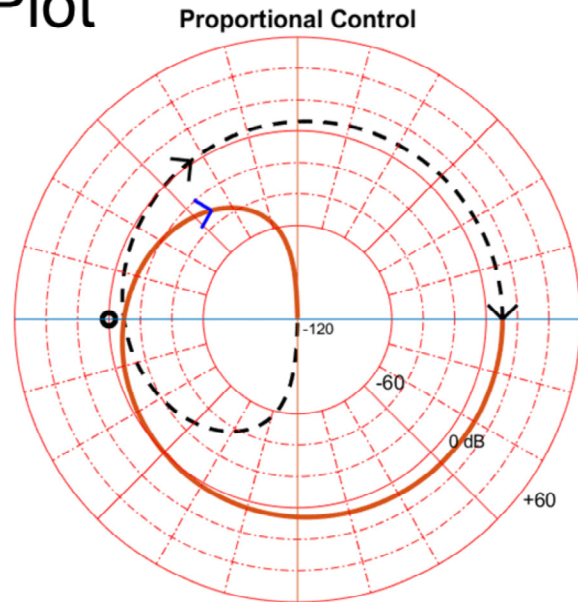
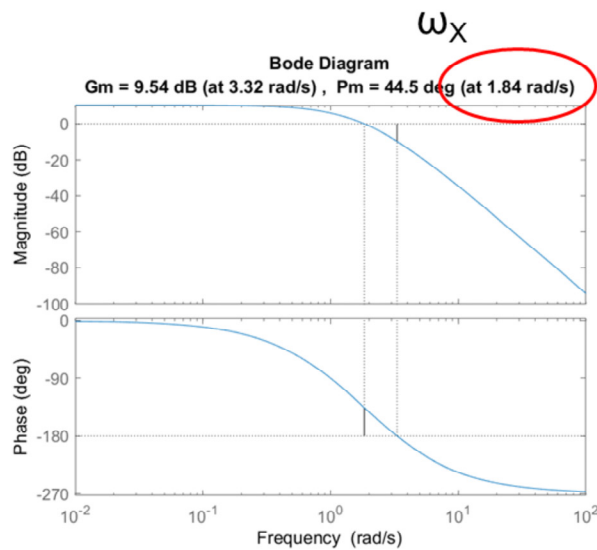
Step 3: Model System & Design Filter



Design Filter

- Generate sensor noise model
- Optimize P (filter pole location)

Step 4: System Nyquist Plot



Generate Bode & Nyquist plot

- “margin” function shows Gm, Pm & X-over frequencies

Stable System:

- Positive margins
- Gm X-Over Freq > Pm X-Over Freq

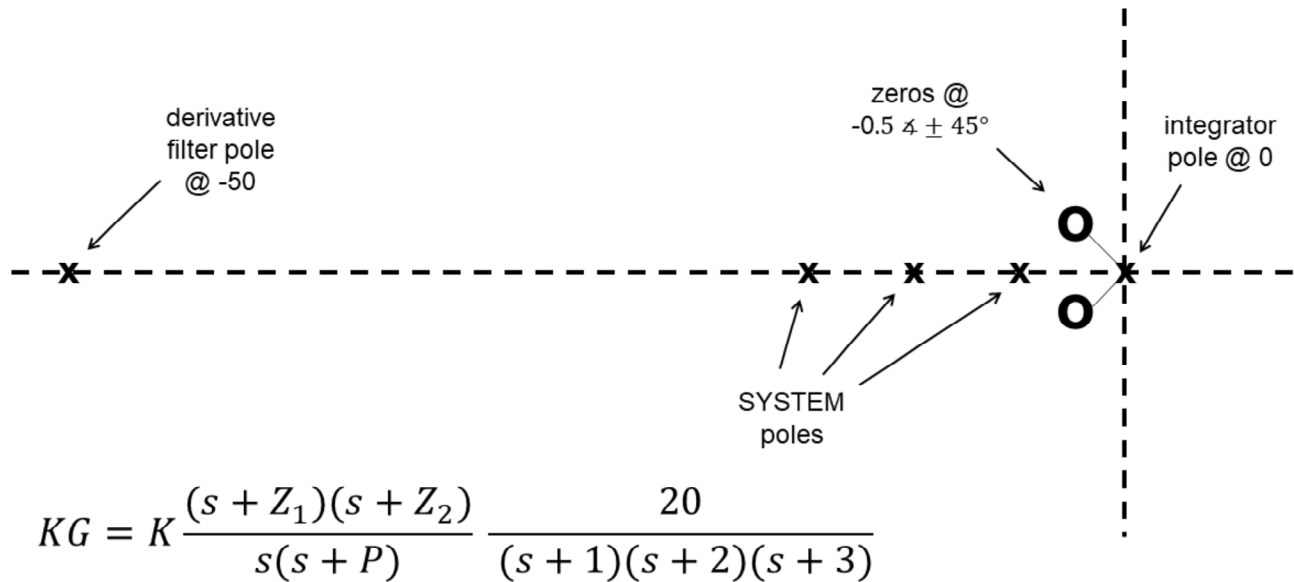
Unstable System:

- Negative margins
- Gm X-Over Freq < Pm X-Over Freq

Choose **SMALLER** X-Over Freq

- System is stable
- $\omega_x = \text{Pm X-Over Freq} = 1.84 \text{ rad/s}$

Step 5: Controller P&Z



Add controller poles & zeros to Root-Locus

Controller Poles

- 1 Pole @ 0 (integrator)
- 1 Pole @ P (filter pole)

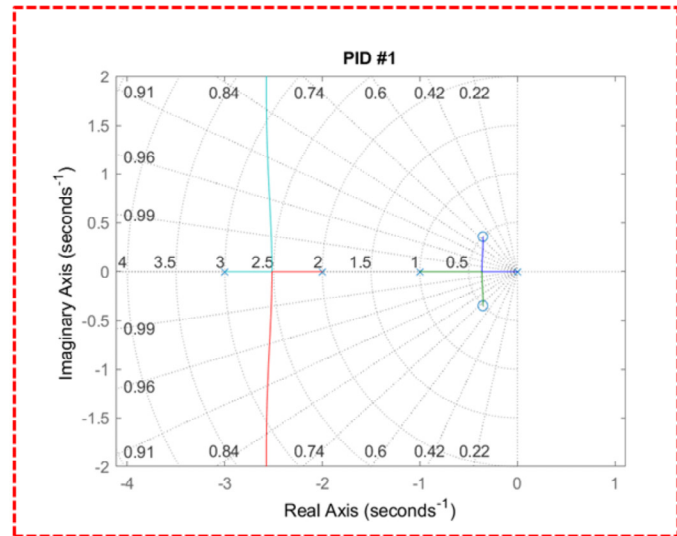
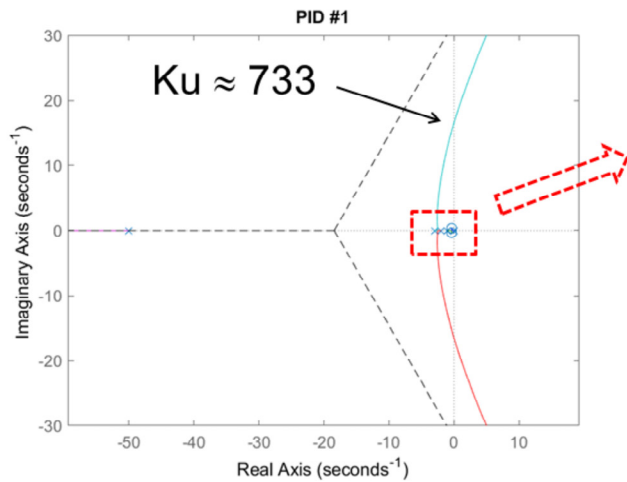
Controller Zeros

- 2x zeros
 - Mag = $\frac{1}{2}$ the magnitude of right-most non-zero pole
 - Ang = 45 deg (reasonable value)

PID Controller

- Zeros must trap dominant poles
- Send less dominant poles along asymptotes
- Stabilize by reducing zero Mag or Increasing zero Ang
- Effectively shifts asymptote centre to left

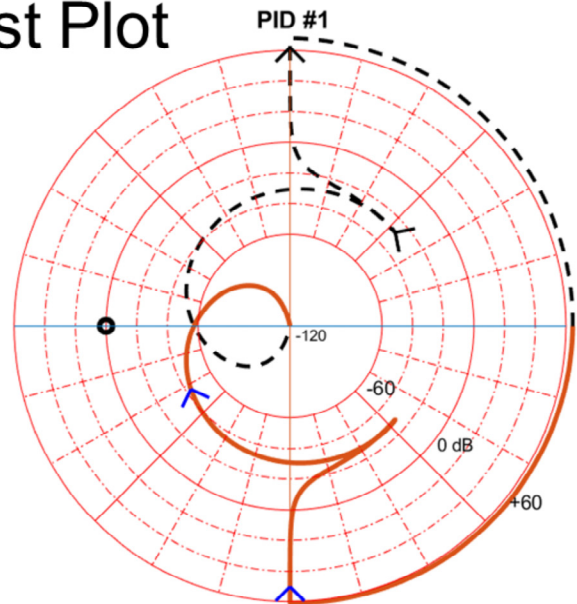
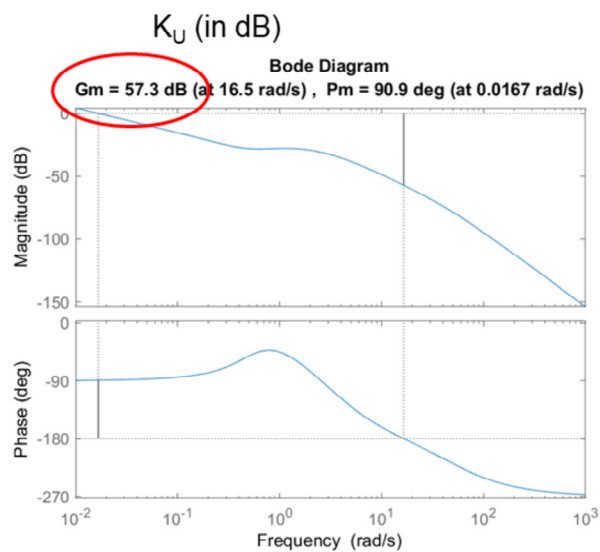
Controller Root Locus



Zoom in on Dominant Poles

- Filter pole is Non-Dominant (typical)
- Moves further to left as Gain increases

Step 6: Controller Nyquist Plot



$$K_U = 10^{Gm/20} = 10^{57/20} = 733$$

Generate Bode & Nyquist plots

- Unity gain ($K=1$)
- Find K_u = Gain Margin
- Convert from dB to pure units

Step 7: Tune PID Gains

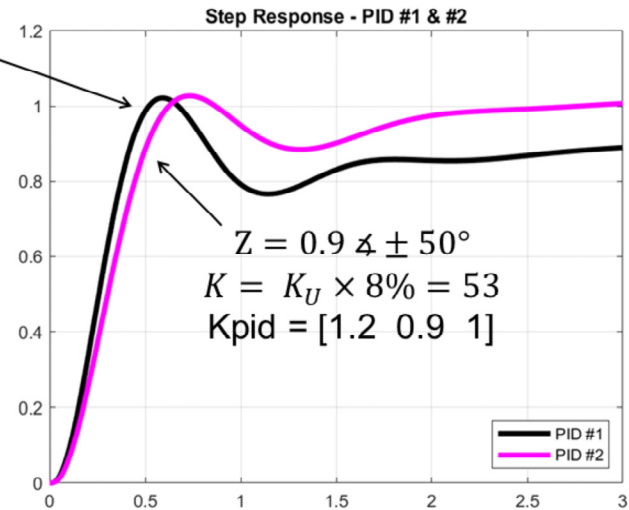
$$K = K_U \times 10\% = 73$$

$$K_I = \frac{K Z_1 Z_2}{P}$$

$$K_P = \frac{K(Z_1 + Z_2) - K_I}{P}$$

$$K_D = \frac{K - K_P}{P}$$

$$K_{pid} = [1 \quad 0.4 \quad 1.4]$$



Select reasonable K value

- $K = K_U \times 10\% \rightarrow 50\%$

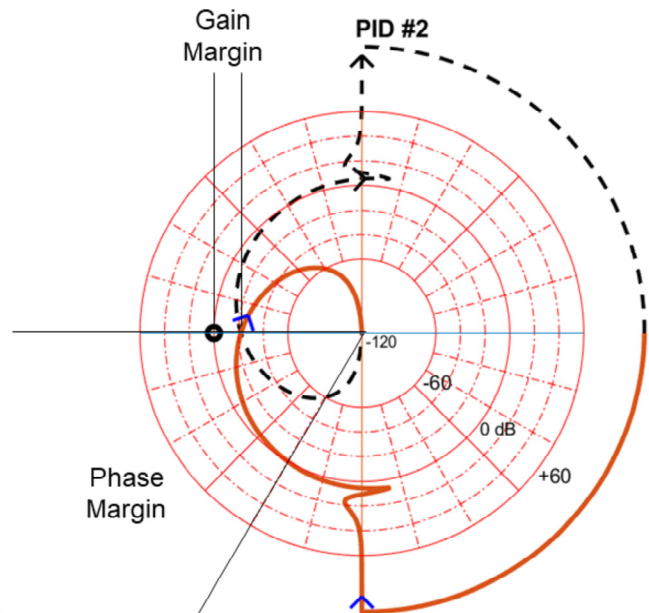
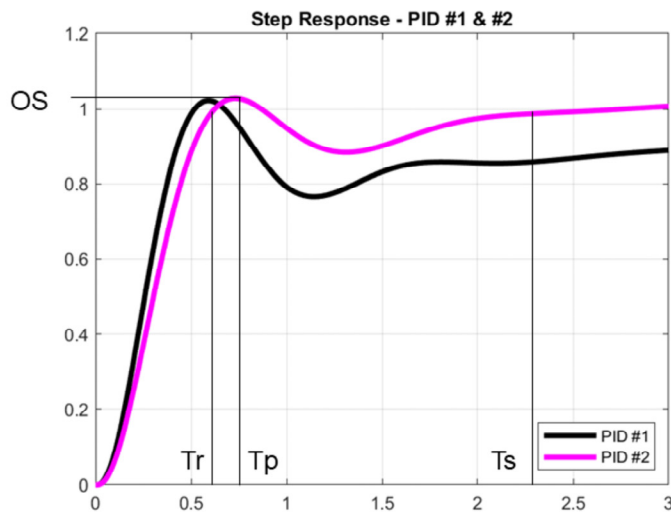
Plot step response

- Compute Gains $K_{pid} = [K_P \quad K_I \quad K_D]$
- Apply gains and filter to PID controller

Adjust design parameters & repeat

- $Z \text{ mag} = w_x \times 10\% \rightarrow 100\%$
- $Z \text{ ang} = 0 \rightarrow 90 \text{ deg}$
- $K = K_U \times 2\% \rightarrow 80\%$

Step 8: Evaluate

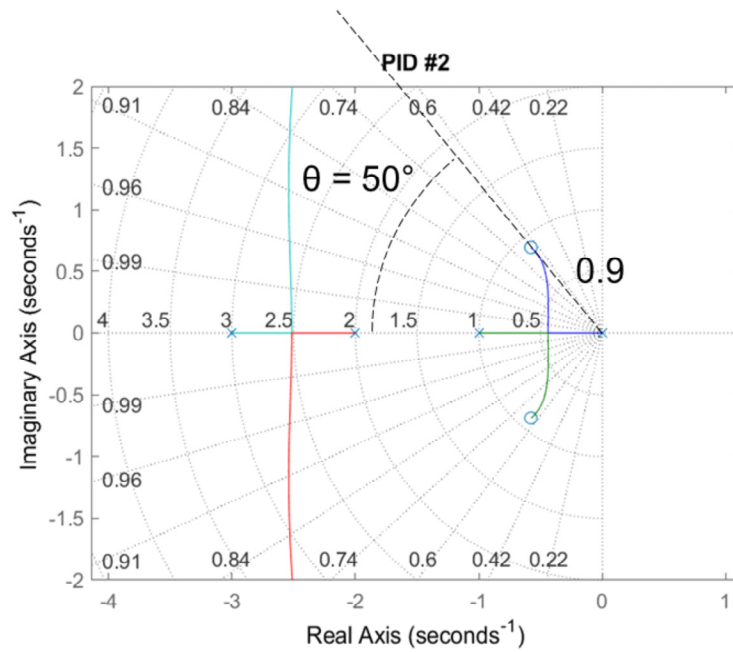


Measure

- Rise Time (T_r)
- Peak Time (T_p)
- Settle Time (T_s)
- Over-Shoot or % Over-Shoot (OS)
- Gain Margin
- Phase Margin

If RCGs not satisfied, Re-Tune

Check Work

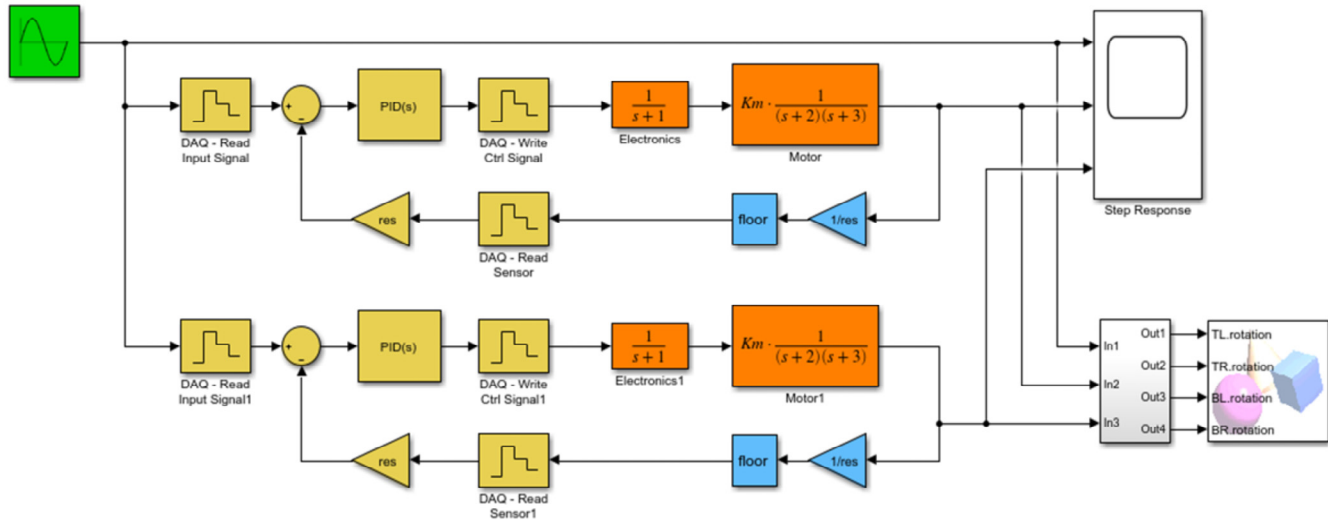


Plot Root Locus

Ensure zeros are located as expected

- If not, check for calculation errors

Step 9: Implement



Implement in Simulink

- Implement filters using Matlab code, not X-fer function block
- Compare results
- Any difference = Software Bug

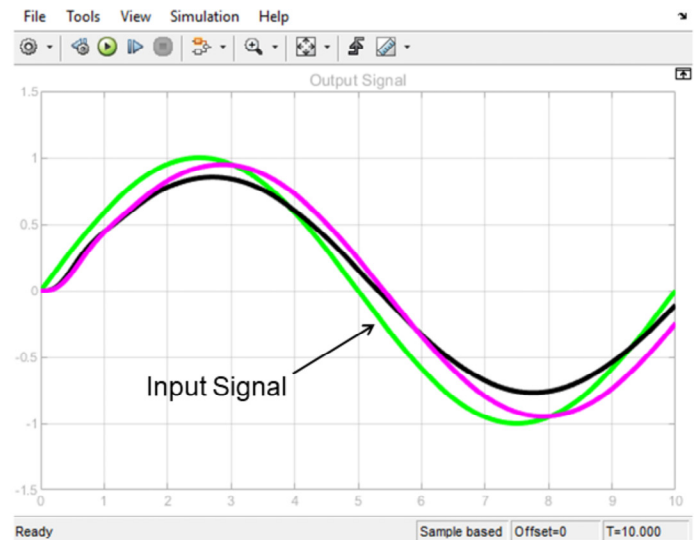
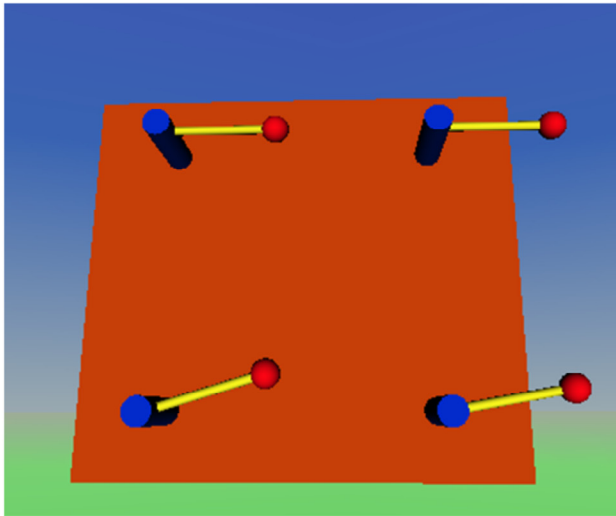
Port to Micro-Controller

- Implement filter in Micro-Controller
- Set PD gains in Micro-Controller
- Generate & measure step response (on test bench)
- Compare to simulated results (from Step 8)

If Simulation does not match Experiment

- Identify software bugs
- Identify modeling errors
- Go to Step 1

Step 10: Fine-Tune



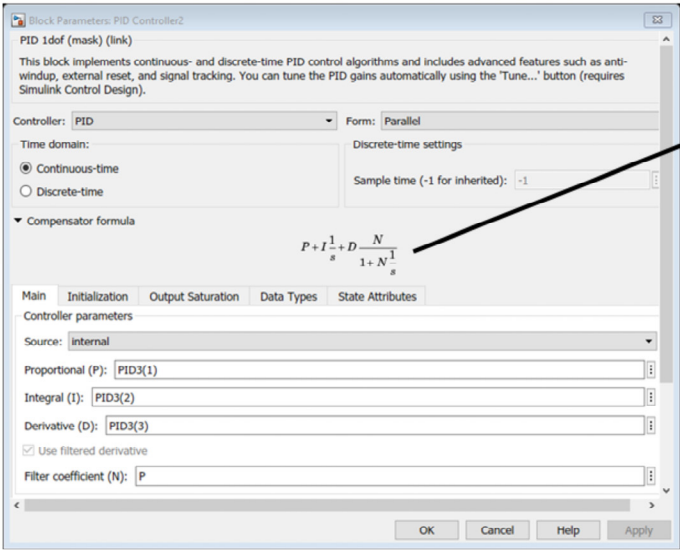
Fine-tune individual PD gains

- Account for non-linearities
- Attempt to restore theoretical response (Step 9)
- Static friction & gravity are compensated by increasing K_i

Trade off:

- PID #1 → greater amplitude difference
- PID #2 → greater phase shift

Notes



$$K_P + K_I \frac{1}{s} + K_D \frac{Ns}{s + N}$$

Unity Gain Filter

Gain	Stability	SS Error
K_p	↓	↓
K_i	↓	0
K_d	↑	n/a

“N” in Simulink PID block is “P” in these notes