

Lab 10: Temperature PID Control

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LABORATORY ASSIGNMENT SHEET

Lab Assignment	Description	Lab Attendance	Successful Run	Report Mark
1	Motor Control	✓	✓	✓
2	Two-DC Motors Control With The Problem Detection	✓	✓	✓
3	Timers and Counters	✓	✓	✓
4	Computations and Comparison	✓	✓	✓
5	Cascading Sequence	✓	✓	✓
6	Sequencer Output Application	✓	✓	✓
7	Stepper Motor Control	✓	✓	✓
8	Programming with ST, FBD, SFC	✓	✓	✓
9	Temperature ON-OFF control	✓	✓	✓
10	Temperature PID control	✓	✓	✓

Lab Activities and Submission													
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14
Lab 1	Lab 2	Lab 3	Lab 4	Lab 5	Lab 6	Lab 7	Lab 8	Lab 9	Lab 10	Lab 11	Lab 12	Lab 13	Lab 14
Report 1	Report 2	Report 3	Report 4	Report 5	Report 6	Report 7	Report 8	Report 9	Report 10	Report 11	Report 12	Report 13	Report 14

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It is the student's responsibility to keep this sheet up to date as the proof of the course work.

Notes:

- The column titled Attendance will be checked at the end of the lab activity.
- The column titled Successful Runs, will be initialed when the assignment is seen to run and satisfy the requirements.
- The column titled Report / Mark will be initialed when the report has been handed in to the professor and marked.
- The minimum passing mark will be given to the signed assignments without written report. All the labs have to be handed in satisfying the rubric below.

Objectives

This lab focused on implementing PID (Proportional-Integral-Derivative) control using RSLogix 5000 and integrating it with an HMI in FactoryTalk Studio SE for continuous temperature regulation. The main objectives were:

- Configuring analog input/output modules for temperature control.
- Applying PID function blocks to maintain precise temperature conditions.
- Designing a user interface for real-time monitoring and adjustment of PID parameters.
- Fine-tuning Kp, Ki, and Kd values to achieve optimal control performance.
- Monitoring system behavior through real-time and historical trending.
- Verifying the performance of the system under changing set points (30°C, 35°C, 40°C).

Description of Work Completed**1. Wiring and Initialization**

- The RTD sensor was connected to Analog Input Channel 0 (Local:3:I.CH0Data).
- The Analog Output Channel 0 (Local:4:O.CH0Data) was wired to control the DC drive that regulates heater power.
- Input devices such as START_PB and STOP_PB were also connected and verified.

2. PLC Programming in RSLogix 5000

- A PID function block was created in a new RSLogix project (PID.ACD).
- A Start-Stop-Run rung controlled the process logic:
- START_PB (N.O.) activated the system.
- STOP_PB (N.C.) deactivated the system.
- RUN tag was used to enable PID control only when active.
- PID block parameters:
- Set Point (PID1.SP) was initially set to 30°C.
- Process Variable (PID1.PV) came from the scaled analog input.
- Error (PID1.ERR) was the difference between SP and PV.
- Tuning began with estimated Kp, Ki, Kd values, later refined.

3. HMI Development in FactoryTalk Studio SE

- Display 1: Control Panel
 - START and STOP pushbuttons.
 - Multistate Indicator to show RUNNING status.
 - Numeric Inputs for:
 - Set Point (PID1.SP)
 - Kp, Ki, Kd
 - Numeric Displays for:
 - Temperature (PID1.PV)
 - Set Point (PID1.SP)
 - Error (PID1.ERR)
- Display 2: Process Monitoring
 - Real-Time Trend for SP, PV, and ERR.
 - Historical Trend for evaluating PID response over time.
 - Navigation buttons for seamless display switching.

4. PID Controller Tuning and Testing

- The Scaling tab in the PID setup was configured to map the 1–5 V analog range to 0–100°C.
- Using the Tuning tab, PID parameters were incrementally adjusted to:
 - Minimize overshoot.
 - Reduce settling time.
 - Maintain steady-state accuracy.
- Set Point Adjustments and Monitoring:
 - 30°C: Initial set point used for baseline tuning.
 - 35°C: Evaluated system's ability to ramp and stabilize with minimal overshoot.
 - 40°C: Final test for rapid response and low error margin.

Screenshots and trend graphs were captured to visualize and analyze temperature behavior.

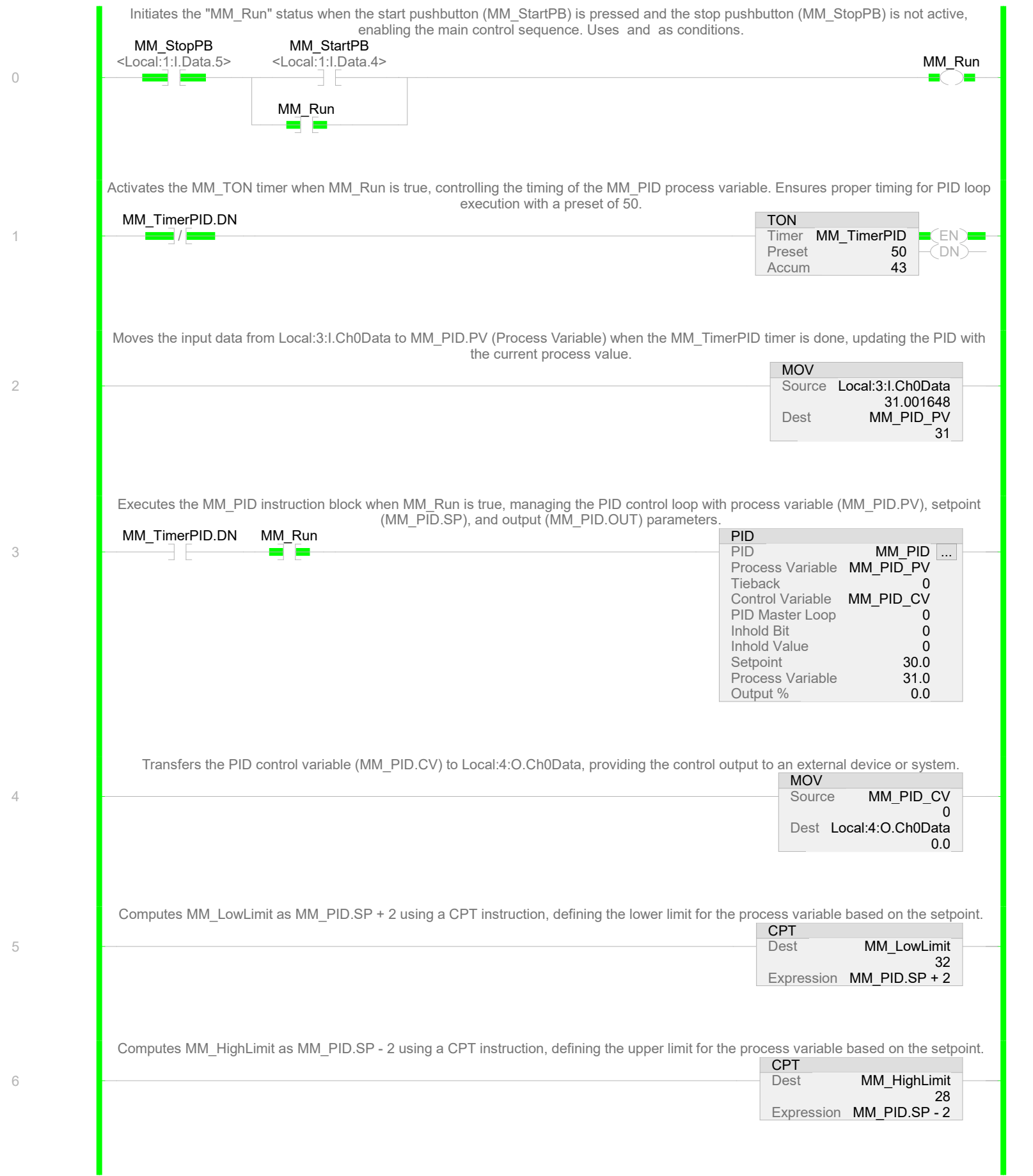
5. Output Devices and Status Indicators

- GREEN_LIGHT: Illuminated when system was actively running.
- RED_LIGHT: Turned on during fault or stop conditions.

Analog Output: Controlled heater power via a DC drive.

Conclusions

The lab successfully demonstrated closed-loop control using PID in a PLC environment. By integrating the RSLogix PID function with a real-time HMI, the system achieved automated temperature regulation with user-adjustable control parameters. Fine-tuning the Kp, Ki, and Kd values allowed for an optimized response, with reduced overshoot and improved steady-state stability. The use of real-time and historical trending provided valuable insights into system performance, reinforcing key principles of control theory, process automation, and user interface design.







MM_PID PV (Temperature): 31

MM_PID Set Point: 30

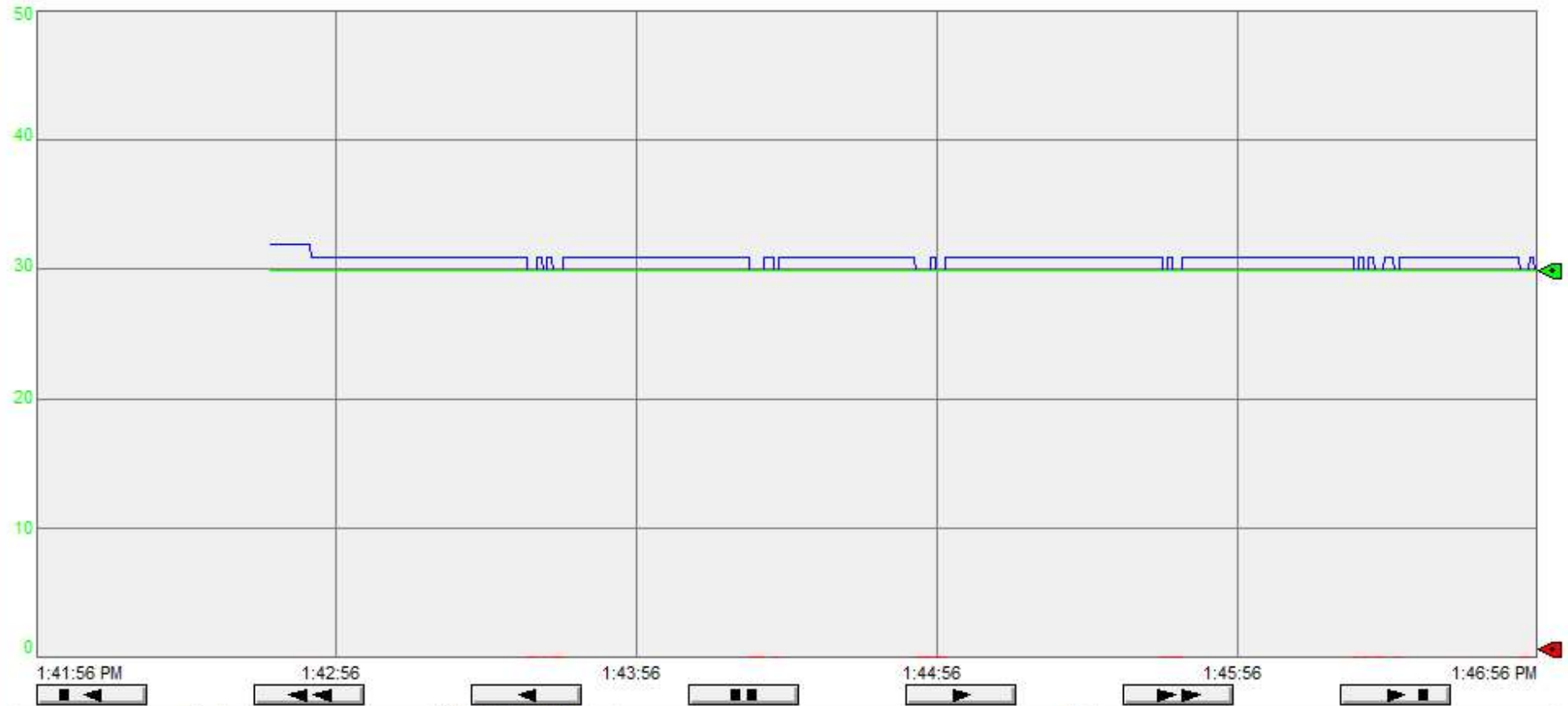
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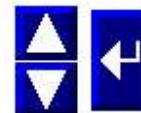
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MM_PID KP:	30
MM_PID KD:	2
MM_PID Ki:	2

MM_Display_2





Caption	1:46:56 PM	Min	Max	Units
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MM_Display_1
MM_Display_2

MM_Display_1

