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# **PID\_control Documentation**

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**class** `PID_control.PIDControl` (*alpha, beta, mu, frequency, max\_control, set\_point, deadband*)

Class implementation of a PID controller. This class is initialize from given data like parameters for P, I and D, controller speed with respect to the modelled system and a bound for controller ouput. Especially the latter two are quite important in practical applications. The set point, that the controller tries to reach, can also be adjusted manually. A parameter deadband reduces strain on possible machinery behind the controller; the control output is only changed, if the newly calculated output differs from the previous one by at least the amount specified by deadband.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*alpha, beta, mu, frequency, max\_control, set\_point, deadband*)

Initialize PIDControl class.

#### Parameters

- **alpha** (*float > 0*) – proportional control parameter
- **beta** (*float > 0*) – derivative control parameter
- **mu** (*float > 0*) – integral control parameter
- **frequency** (*int >= 1*) – controller speed parameter
- **max\_control** (*float > 0*) – controller output bound
- **set\_point** (*float between 0 and 2\*pi*) – desired valued of controlled system
- **deadband** (*float > 0*) – minimum difference for controller adjustment

```
>>> import numpy as np; from PID_control import *
>>> ALPHA = 4.4; BETA = 2.0; MU = 1.2; MAX_CONTROL = 2.6
>>> FREQUENCY = 30; DEADBAND = 0.01; SET_POINT = -0.0*np.pi
>>> controller = PIDControl(
... ALPHA, BETA, MU, FREQUENCY, MAX_CONTROL, SET_POINT, DEADBAND
... )
>>> print(controller)
PID Controller with alpha = 4.4, beta = 2.0, mu = 1.2
```

**\_\_module\_\_** = `'PID_control'`

**\_\_repr\_\_** ()

Return string representation of PID controller.

**derivative\_output** (*x1, x2, t1, t2*)

Method returning the derivative or D controller output, depending on the attribute beta. A numerical approximation of the derivative value is necessary to compute the ouput. The trapezoid rule was chosen for that.

#### Parameters

- **x1** (*float*) – system value at time t1
- **x2** (*float*) – system value at time t2
- **t1** (*float*) – last time point
- **t2** (*float*) – current time point

**Output** derivative control value

**integral\_output** (*x1, x2, t1, t2*)

Method returning the integral or I controller output, depending on the controller attribute mu. A numerical approximation of the integral value is necessary to compute the output.

#### Parameters

- **x1** (*float*) – system value at time t1

- **x2** (*float*) – system value at time t2
- **t1** (*float*) – last time point
- **t2** (*float*) – current time point

**Output** integral control value

**proportional\_output** (*x, t*)

Method returning the proportional or I controller output, depending on the controller attribute *alpha*.

**Parameters**

- **x** (*float*) – system value at time t
- **t** (*float*) – current time point

**Output** Proportional control value

**total\_output** (*x1, x2, t1, t2, precision=4*)

Method returning the total controller output in response to system value *x* at time *t*. The output is bounded by the *max\_control* attribute and controller adjustment speed is bounded by the *frequency* attribute. Controller does not adjust, if successive outputs differ by less than the *deadband* attribute. Limited measurement precision is included by rounding controller input.

**Parameters**

- **x1** (*float*) – system value at time t1
- **x2** (*float*) – system value at time t2
- **t1** (*float*) – last time point
- **t2** (*float*) – current time point
- **precision** (*int > 0*) – system measurement precision

**Output** total control value

**class** `PID_control.Pendulum` (*t\_start, t\_end, N, f, L=0.1, G=9.81*)

Class implementation of a simple ODE solver for the inverted pendulum. Intended to be used in conjunction with the `PIDControl` class. The solved ODE is of the form  $\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t)) + u(t)$ .

Initialize with time parameters *t\_start*, *t\_end*, number of support points *N*. Initial values are given to the `solve` method for flexibility in calculating solutions for different initial conditions. Right hand side can be adjusted, even though sine and identity are the most reasonable choices.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*t\_start, t\_end, N, f, L=0.1, G=9.81*)

Initialize linear or nonlinear pendulum.

**Parameters**

- **t\_start** (*float*) – starting time for ODE solving
- **t\_end** (*float > t\_start*) – final time for ODE solving
- **N** (*int > 0*) – number of numerical support points for ODE solving
- **f** (*function*) – right hand side for the second order pendulum ODE
- **L** (*float*) – pendulum length parameter in [m]
- **G** (*float > 0*) – gravitational constant in [m/s<sup>2</sup>]

**Output** object representing the second order pendulum ODE with right hand side *f*.

**\_\_module\_\_** = `'PID_control'`

**\_\_repr\_\_()**

Return string representation of inverted pendulum.

**get\_func\_values()**

A convenience method that returns the calculated function values or an empty list if *solve* was never called on this pendulum.

**Output** array containing phi values (floats)

**get\_support\_values()**

A convenience method that returns the support values (== time points) or an empty list if *solve* was never called on this pendulum.

**Output** array containing support values (floats)

**plot** (*file\_name*, *parameter=False*)

Method to plot solutions generated with Pendulum class. PID Parameters can be written in the filename. This might be useful for numerical experiments with several distinct sets of parameters.

#### Parameters

- **file\_name** (*string*) – name for the .png file, in which the solution gets stored
- **parameter** (*bool*) – if true, controller parameters are written in the filename

**Todo** fix naming scheme (Linear vs Nonlinear; testing for  $(\lambda x: x) == \text{self.f}$  is not implemented very nicely).

**solve** (*phi0*, *phi0\_dot*, *alpha*, *beta*, *mu*, *max\_control*, *frequency*, *deadband*, *set\_point*, *precision*)

Method solving the ODE for given physical initial conditions, i.e. initial angle and velocity, and with PID controller, that has the given parameters.

#### Parameters

- **phi0** (*float*) – initial value
- **phi0\_dot** (*float*) – initial angular velocity
- **alpha** (*float* > 0) – proportional control parameter
- **beta** (*float* > 0) – derivative control parameter
- **mu** (*float* > 0) – integral control parameter
- **max\_control** (*float* > 0) – controller output bound
- **frequency** (*int* >= 1) – controller speed parameter
- **deadband** (*float*) – minimum difference between calculated control outputs
- **set\_point** (*float*) – desired value of controlled system
- **precision** (*int* > 0) – measurement precision of controller input

**Output** numerically calculates the attributes (float arrays) phi, output\_array, P\_array, I\_array and D\_array.

**solve\_from\_angles** (*phi0*, *phi1*, *alpha*, *beta*, *mu*, *max\_control*, *frequency*, *deadband*, *set\_point*, *precision*)

Method solving the ODE for given numerical initial conditions, i.e. two initial angles. Works exactly like the solve() method.

#### Parameters

- **phi0** (*float*) – first initial value
- **phi1** (*float*) – second initial value

- **alpha** (*float* > 0) – proportional control parameter
- **beta** (*float* > 0) – derivative control parameter
- **mu** (*float* > 0) – integral control parameter
- **max\_control** (*float* > 0) – controller output bound
- **frequency** (*int* >= 1) – controller speed parameter
- **deadband** (*float*) – minimum difference between calculated control outputs
- **set\_point** (*float*) – desired value of controlled system
- **precision** (*int* > 0) – measurement precision of controller input

**Output** Numerically calculates the attributes (float arrays) phi, output\_array, P\_array, I\_array and D\_array.

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>>> import numpy as np; from PID_control import *
>>> ALPHA = 4.4; BETA = 2.0; MU = 1.2; MAX_CONTROL = 2.6
>>> FREQUENCY = 30; DEADBAND = 0.01; SET_POINT = -0.0*np.pi
>>> PRECISION = 5; t_start = 0.0; t_end = 45.0; N = 9000; LENGTH = 0.1
>>> phi0 = 0.5 * np.pi; phi0_dot = 0.3 * np.pi
>>> pendulum = Pendulum(t_start, t_end, N, np.sin, L=LENGTH)
>>> pendulum
Inverted Pendulum of Length 0.1
>>> phi1 = phi0 + phi0_dot*pendulum.h
>>> pendulum.solve(
... phi0, phi0_dot, ALPHA, BETA, MU, MAX_CONTROL, FREQUENCY, DEADBAND,
... SET_POINT, PRECISION
... )
>>> x = pendulum.phi[10]
>>> pendulum.solve_from_angles(
... phi0, phi1, ALPHA, BETA, MU, MAX_CONTROL, FREQUENCY, DEADBAND,
... SET_POINT, PRECISION
... )
>>> y = pendulum.phi[10]
>>> print(np.abs(x - y) < 5e-5)
True
```



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