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Course Title: Process Dynamics and Control

Max. Time: 2 hrs

Total Marks: 30

Answer all questions

[No need of separate answer script]

- Q1. (a) What are the merits and demerits of the discrete form of PID controller over its continuous analogous?
(b) Discuss the use of override control for a liquid tank system. Briefly discuss the use of HSS with an example of a chemical system. [(1+1)+(1+1) = 4]

- Q2. The bottoms temperature of a distillation column, in $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (represented as y in deviation variables) is controlled by manipulating the steam flow rate to the reboiler, in lb/hr (represented as u_1 in deviation variables). This purely feedback control strategy is shown in Figure 1. An approximate transfer function model for this process is given as:

$$\bar{y}(s) = \frac{0.25}{(10s+1)} \bar{u}_1(s)$$

[1+(2+2+1)+(1+2+2) = 11]

However, the steam flow rate itself depends on the percent valve opening (represented as u_2 in deviation variables), and the steam supply pressure, in psi (represented as d_1 in deviation variables) which is known to fluctuate in an unpredictable, but measurable, fashion. These process variables are related according to the following approximate model:

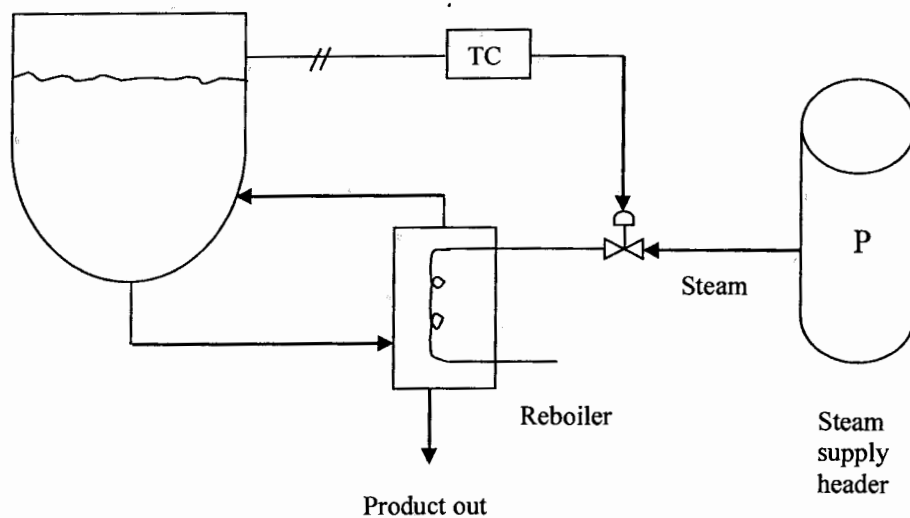


Figure 1: Feedback control of a distillation column's bottom temperature [Ref: B.A. Ogunnaike, W.H. Ray, *Process Dynamics, Modeling, and Control*, Oxford University Press, 1994].

$$\bar{u}_1(s) = \frac{2.2}{(2s+1)} \bar{u}_2(s) + \frac{1.5}{(0.5s+1)} \bar{d}_1(s)$$

- Develop the block diagram for the feedback controlled process as shown in Figure 1.
- Cascade control is a popular strategy for dealing with the control problems related to such steam pressure fluctuations. Draw a block diagram for this process under such a cascade control strategy; include all the transfer functions (and the suitable controllers), and label all the signals.
- Because the steam supply pressure is measured, it is also possible to configure this process for feedforward-feedback control instead of cascade control. Reconfigure the process for this new control structure, draw a block diagram showing all transfer functions, and obtain the expression(s) for the feedforward controller to be implemented.

Q3. Consider a second order irreversible reaction $2A \rightarrow B$ is taking place in a stirred tank non-isothermal jacketed reactor. The modelling equations for this reactor is given below:

$$V \frac{d(C_A)}{dt} = F_f (C_{Af} - C_A) - k_0 e^{-E/RT} V C_A^2$$

$$\rho \tilde{C}_p V \frac{dT}{dt} = \rho F_f \tilde{C}_p (T_f - T) + (-\Delta H_r) V C_A^2 k_0 e^{-E/RT} - Q_e$$

$$Q_e = UA(T - T_c)$$

Where, $U, A, \rho, \tilde{C}_p, V, (-\Delta H_r), k_0, E, R$ are constant and known. The reactor temperature T needs to be controlled by manipulating heat removal amount Q_e , i.e, T_c in spite of the changes in inlet feed stream conditions. Based on the above dynamic model and control requirement,

- Develop a nonlinear state-space model
- Develop a linear state-space model

[2+5]

Q4. Consider a transfer function $\frac{y(s)}{u(s)} = G(s) = \frac{3.8e^{-2s}}{(10s+1)(5s+1)}$

- Realize both controllable and observable canonical forms of state-space models
- Develop a Z-transform model using zero order hold.

[4+4]

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