# Lab 4: Summary

### Tasks for Lab 4:

- 1A-1C: Open-loop hardware experiment.
- 1D: Open-loop simulation (See Lab 1)
- 2A: PI Controller design based on a first-order plant [derive by yourself] (See Tutorial 2)
- 2A: PI Controller closed-loop simulation (Similar to Lab 2)
- 2B: PI Controller closed-loop hardware experiment.

<u>Outcomes:</u> With minimal starting material, you will: plan, design, simulate and implement a PI control system on hardware.

### **Report Requirements:**

- 1. Labs 4 and 5 will be combined into a single report worth 15% of your ACS grade.
- 2. Hardware will not be available outside of scheduled ACS lab hours. Failure to complete the tasks will result in a substantial number of report marks being inaccessible.
- 3. Maximum of three students per group. All students must attend the same lab session. Groups must be fixed between Lab 4 and Lab 5. Due to the work required to complete the lab, students who do not attend the lab with their group will not receive a mark for the report.

Labs 4 and 5 will be tight on time. To support your group members, you must be punctual

# Lab 4: Tasks

# **Task 1: Open-Loop Empirical Study**

- Interact with the plant input and output.
- Estimate the plant transfer function by analysing the open-loop experimental results.

### 1A: Read the temperature sensor (LM335)

The analog input will return a number [0 1023].

#### Arduino:

- 1. Connect jADC to a pin: A0-A5.
- 2. Connect jVCC to the 5V pin.

### **Simulink**

- Simulink Support Package for Arduino Hardware: Common: Analog Input. Set pin number.
- Convert the analog input [0 1023] to a [0 5] Voltage.
- Convert Voltage to millivolt (mV).
- °K = mV / 10
- $^{\circ}$ C =  $^{\circ}$ K 273.15
- Finishing time: inf. External
- Check your COM port in Arduino IDE and change the COM port setting.
- Run the program. Is your measured temperature approximately (within a few degrees) what you expect?
- You are now able to interact with the plant output.

## 1B: Send an input to the Arduino

### Arduino

1. Connect jPWM to a pin: PWM 2-13.

### **Simulink**

The Arduino PWM accepts an input between [0-255] corresponding to a PWM duty cycle of [0 100] %.

- 1. Simulink Support Package for Arduino Hardware: Common: PWM. Set pin number.
- 2. Add a constant 0.5 (representing a 50% duty cycle).
- 3. Convert this to a PWM duty cycle.
- 4. Add the Math Operations: Rounding Function: Round and round the PWM duty cycle before connecting it to the Arduino PWM channel.
- Confirm your solutions with a lab demonstrator before proceeding.
- You are now able to interact with the plant input.

## 1C: Estimate the Plant

1. Study Figure:

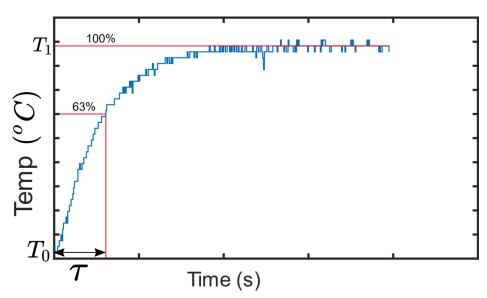


Figure: An example of step response output

- 2. Run the program and connect the power supply.
- 3. Collect the results:

Parameter	Measured value
$T_0$	
$T_1$	
τ	
a	$a = \frac{T_1 - T_0}{0.5} =$
	*(0.5 = 50% Duty Cycle = 0.5*5V dropped across power resistor)

- 4. Scope Settings: Time: Time Span = 2000
- 5. Save your plot and your MATLAB files.
- 6. Calculate your empirical plant transfer function:

7. Turn off the power at the wall – let the board cool back to room temperature.

# **1D: Open-Loop Simulation**

- 1. Create a new Simulink file.
- 2. Simulate the open-loop response of the estimated plant using the same input.
- 3. Confirm that your simulation result is approximately what you expected to see.

Save your MATLAB file.

# Task 2: Closed-Loop PI Control System

- Design a PI Control System where the temperature of the heated resistor tracks a userprovided reference signal and satisfies performance criteria.
- Confirm closed-loop system performance and safety in simulation before proceeding to demonstrate the system in a hardware experiment.

#### 2A: PI Controller Simulation on Simulink

- 1. Create a new Simulink file.
- 2. Add the plant that was estimated in Task 1C.
- 3. Choose a reference signal between [40°C, 70°C].
- 4. Derive the  $K_c$  and  $\tau_i$  PI parameters required for your plant for a given tuning parameter,  $\omega_n$ . Assume  $\xi$  = 0.707. Use a second-order desired polynomial:  $s^2 + 2\xi \omega_n s + \omega_n^2$
- 5. Choose one of the two PI control structures:
  - a. Proportional and Integral on E(s)
  - b. Proportional on Y(s) and Integral on E(s).
- 6. Add the Simulink Block: Discontinuities: saturation block. Saturate U(s) between [0,1].
- 7. Implement this in a simulation and confirm that the results match your expectations.
- 8. Tune your control system by adjusting  $\omega_n$  so that the maximum overshoot is <=20% and that the system takes <=600 seconds to reach steady-state.
- 9. Plot your reference, control signal, and output signal.
- 10. Confirm your solution with a lab demonstrator before proceeding.
- 11. Save your MATLAB files.

### 2B: PI Controller on Arduino

- 1. Create a new Simulink file.
- 2. Use the same reference signal as in Task 2A. Use the blocks you created in Task 1A and Task 1B.
- 3. Add the Simulink Block: Discontinuities: saturation block. Saturate U(s) between [0,1].
- 4. Use the same controller parameters and controller structure from Task 2A.
- 5. Confirm your solution with a lab demonstrator before proceeding.
- 6. Plot your reference, control signal and output signal.
- 7. Save your plots
- 8. Save your MATLAB, Simulink, and plot pictures on the network drive.
- 9. Once you have completed the Lab, in the Arduino IDE, select the Arduino Mega 2560 board and upload the blank sketch.