

Project 1: Jenkins Governor

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1 GOVERNOR PROBLEM SETS

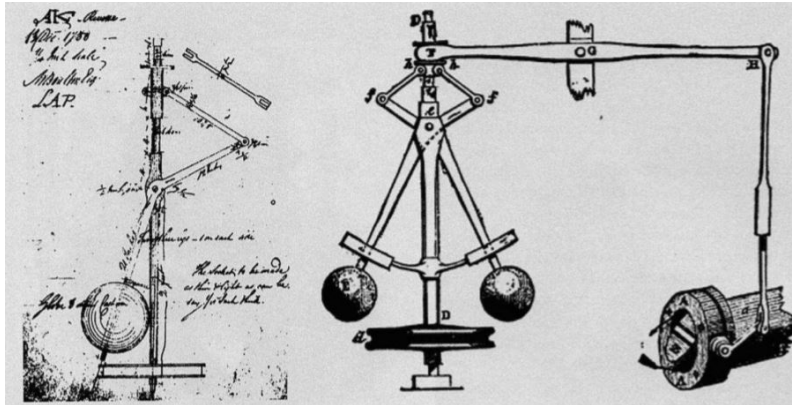


Figure 1.1: Flyball Governor invented by James Watt in 1788.

- 1.1 Derive the equations for ψ and θ using the free body diagrams shown in Figure
- 1.2. Combine these two to obtain the differential equation of velocity $w(\dot{\theta})$.

Let θ be the rotation angle of the principal axis, m be the mass of a flyball, k be the spring constant, r be the distance between the flyball and the center of the axis of rotation, and V_1 be the lowest limit of the angular velocity at which the friction ring starts to rotate. At the velocity V_1 , the flyballs begin to rub against the inside of the friction ring, and the centrifugal force and spring force are balanced at this speed

$$mr_1 V_1^2 = k(r_1 - r_0) \quad (1.1)$$

The Maxwell torque linearized it to be

$$F(\dot{\theta} - V_1) \quad (1.2)$$

By assuming that the velocity $\dot{\theta}$ varies within very narrow limits around the value V_1 . That is, by assuming Then we have

$$F = 4r_1^2 \mu m V_1 \quad (1.3)$$

The differential equation for the rotation θ of the principal axis is

$$M\ddot{\theta} = P - R - F(\dot{\theta} - V_1) - G\psi \quad (1.4)$$

where P is the driving torque; R is the resisting torque; G is a constant; ψ is the rotation angle of the friction ring; and M is the total moment of inertia of the principal axis, brake drum, and all the rotating parts with respect to the principal axis. From the free-body diagram in Figure 10(b) the equation of motion of the friction ring is

$$B\ddot{\psi} = F(\dot{\theta} - V_1) - Y\dot{\psi} - W \quad (1.5)$$

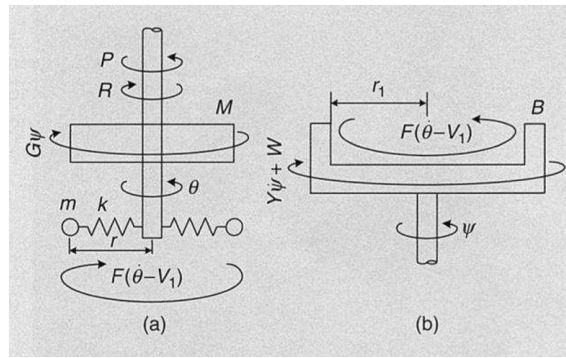


Figure 1.2: A free body diagram of Jenkin's Governor.

1.2 Linearize your model assuming that the velocity $\dot{\theta}$ varies within very narrow bound around the V_1 That is, by assuming $\dot{\theta} = V_1 + \Delta\dot{\theta}$.

where B is the total moment of inertia of the friction ring and the attached parts, Y is a coefficient corresponding to viscous friction torque due to the hydraulic cylinder, and W is a constant torque acting on the friction ring owing to the weight. Equations of motion derived by Maxwell, except that Maxwell called θ and ψ , x and y , respectively. Linear differential equation that is third order in the velocity $\omega (= \dot{\theta})$ is

$$MB\ddot{\omega} + (MY + FB)\dot{\omega} + FY\dot{\omega} + FG\omega = u(t) \quad (1.6)$$

Where input $u(t)$ is

$$u(t) = B(\ddot{P} - \ddot{R}) + Y(\dot{P} - \dot{R}) + GFV_1 + GW \quad (1.7)$$

For constant P and R , Maxwell obtained a solution of the form

$$\omega(t) = A_1 e^{s_1 t} + A_2 e^{s_2 t} + A_3 e^{s_3 t} + V \quad (1.8)$$

Where V is the nominal velocity given by

$$V = V_1 + W/F \quad (1.9)$$

At the steady state we have

$$GFV = GFV_1 + GW \quad (1.10)$$

1.3 Find the stability condition for the model you have derived in the previous section using Routh's array, explain how system parameters affect the stability.

s_1, s_2, s_3 are the roots of the cubic characteristic equation

$$MBs^3 + (MY + FB)s^2 + FYs + FG = 0 \quad (1.11)$$

Maxwell obtained the stability condition that the real roots and the real parts of the complex conjugate roots of the characteristic equation (1.12) must all be negative. He presented the stability condition as

$$\left(\frac{F}{M} + \frac{Y}{B} \right) \frac{Y}{B} - \frac{G}{B} = \text{positive value} \quad (1.12)$$

Using Routh's array:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} s^3 & : & MB \qquad \qquad \qquad FY \\ s^2 & : & MY + FB \qquad \qquad \qquad FG \\ s & : & \frac{(MY+FB)FY - (MB)(FG)}{MY+FB} \\ 1 & : & FG \end{array}$$

For stability, all elements of the first column of the Routh array must be positive. All coefficients in equation below must be positive:

$$MBs^3 + (MY + FB)s^2 + FYs + FG = 0 \quad (1.13)$$

They are actually positive until parameters are physical values.

1.4 In Jenkin's governor the centrifugal piece is at a constant distance from the axis of rotation. However, there are other kinds of governor in which the centrifugal piece is free to move from the axis of rotation but is balanced by a centrifugal force and the force of gravity (or by the spring force, in some cases).

- (a). Name an example of this alternative type of Governor system.
- (b). Explain how this difference can affect the stability conditions of the system.

(a).

1. Sir William Thomson and Léon Foucault governor model.
2. Watt's Centrifugal Governor model Figure 1.3.

(b).

Lets solve for a famous example model: Sir William Thomson and Léon Foucault governor model. Maxwell expressed the equations of motion using the angular momentum $A\dot{\theta}$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(A\dot{\theta}) = L \quad (1.14)$$

Where θ is the angle of revolution about the vertical axis, A is the moment of inertia of a revolving apparatus for θ motion, and L is the total torque acting on the axis. Let B be the moment of inertia of the flyballs in Figure 1.4 for ϕ motion. Then, the sum of the kinetic and potential energies of Foucault's governor is

$$E = \frac{1}{2}A\dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2}B\dot{\phi}^2 + P = \int Ld\theta \quad (1.15)$$

Where P is the potential energy of the apparatus, which is a function of the divergence angle ϕ of the centrifugal piece. Here, A and B are both functions of the angle ϕ . We can rearrange the equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(B\dot{\phi}) = \frac{1}{2}A_{\phi}(\dot{\theta}^2 - V^2) + \frac{1}{2}B_{\phi}\dot{\phi}^2 \quad (1.16)$$



Figure 1.3: Watt's Centrifugal Governor.

By assuming: Also, the linear differential equations are:

$$\begin{aligned} A\omega + A_\phi V\phi &= L \\ B\phi - A_\phi V\omega &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (1.17)$$

To convert this apparatus into a governor, the equations become:

$$A\omega + X\omega + K\phi + G\phi = L \quad (1.18)$$

$$B\phi + Y\phi - K\omega = 0 \quad (1.19)$$

After model Linearization we have:

$$AB\phi + (AY + BX)\phi + (XY + K^2)\phi + GK\phi = L \quad (1.20)$$

So, the stability condition of equation is (confirmed by the Routh stability criterion):

$$\left(\frac{X}{A} + \frac{Y}{B} \right) (XY + K^2) > GK \quad (1.21)$$

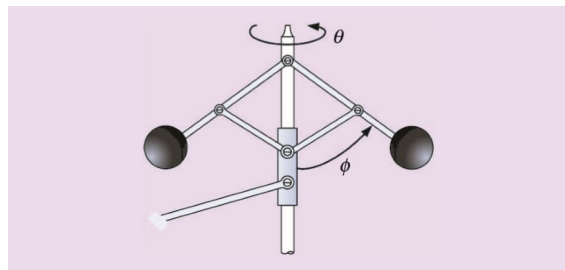


Figure 1.4: The centrifugal pieces (that is, flyballs) of Foucaults governor.

1.5 Draw a block diagram of the Governor control loop. Specify the actuator, controller input and controller output and name all signals.

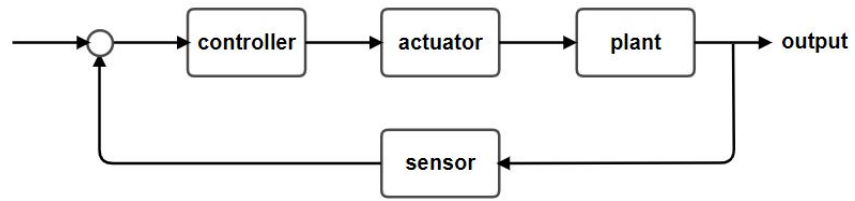


Figure 1.5: General close loop (feedback) control system.

- 1.6 Simulate the system using Simulink based on the model you have derived in the previous section. Choose reasonable values for your parameters and justify your choices in your report.**
- 1.7 Identify the time constant of the system. Experiment with different values of m, r, k . Explain the impact of the above-mentioned parameters on the system's performance. Justify your observations.**