
0.1 Software design of a PI controller

In order to design and implement the aforementioned PI-controller in a fashion that complies with API from FreeRTOS. It is chosen that a single interface is to be designed so that only one subprogram has to be written, thus it requires to be generic, if multiple multiple PI-controllers are to be implemented. To meet the given requirements the following design criteria must be met:

- Must comply with FreeRTOS's API
- Must be re-entrant
- Must be able to be initialized from main
- Must be generic

In order to write a routine that will act as the PI-controller, it must be wrapped into a never ending loop, in which the desired calculations will be done, this is done to meet the first criteria. This is achieved in listing 0.1.

```
1 void tsk_PI(void* pvArgs)
2 {
3     PI controller = *((PI*)pvArgs);           //use pvArgs to set up the PI
4     controller.conditional_anti = 1;
5     int16_t error = 0;
6
7     for (;;)
8     {
9         error = calculate_error_PI(controller.ref, controller.measured_y_n, &controller );
10        calculate_PI( error, &controller );
11
12        vTaskDelay(pdMS_TO_TICKS(100));
13    }
14 }
```

This will be the function which the task created by FreeRTOS will have as an argument. It is noticed that all of the above criteria are met, if the functions `calculate_error_PI()` and `calculate_P()` are assumed to be re-entrant. For it to be generic the struct `PI`, is passed from the function, `task_PI()`, this also ensures that it can be initialized from main.

The struct will contain all the necessary gains and data-samples, which a PI-controller will need in order to operate. The struct members can be seen in 0.1.

```
1 typedef struct PI_dif_eq
2 {
3     int16_t x_n[3];
4     float y_n[3];
5     float kp;
6     float ki;
7     float sample_rate;
8     int16_t saturation;
9     int16_t* ref;
10    int16_t* PWM_out;
11    int16_t* measured_y_n;
12    int16_t* clamp_ref;
13    uint8_t conditional_anti;
14 }PI;
```

Since the design requirements are met, the next step is to implement the functionality of a PI-controller, which has the following requirements:

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- Must be implemented as a difference equation
 - Must include anti-windup

The reasoning for it to be implemented as a difference equation, is due to it being the easiest and most efficient way to compute the controller-signal.

0.2 Deriving the PI difference equation

In order to obtain the difference equation for the PI-controller, the standard PI equation in the s-domain is observed:

$$u(s) = \left(k_p + \frac{k_i}{s} \right) \cdot e(s) \quad (0.1)$$

To get the PI equation into the time-discrete z-domain, it is chosen to use the Tustin's Method.

This is done by substituting s with the following:

$$s = \frac{2}{T} \cdot \left(\frac{z-1}{z+1} \right)$$

Equation ref?? now becomes

$$u(z) = \left(k_p + k_i \cdot \frac{T}{2} \frac{z+1}{z-1} \right) \cdot e(z)$$