

Lab 3 - Continue Modeling MotorLab System

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1 Introduction

2 Dynamic Model with Spring Added

$$T = J\ddot{\theta}(t) + b\dot{\theta}(t) + k_s\theta(t)$$

3 MotorLab Coefficients

3.1 Coefficients Needed to be Found

- ζ ('zeta' or 'damping ratio')
- w_n ('natural frequency')
- k_s ('spring constant')

3.2 How to Find k_s

- Like Lab 2, we will be looking at steady state
- Unlike Lab 2, we have a spring attached. This means we have a constant position opposed to constant velocity like Lab 2 when we apply amperage to the motor

$$T(t) = k_t i(t) = J\ddot{\theta}(t) + b\dot{\theta}(t) + k_s\theta(t)$$

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$$k_s = k_t \frac{i(t)}{\theta(t)} = \frac{T(t)}{\theta(t)}$$

- This means we can find k_s from the slope of $T(t)$ and $\theta(t)$
- We will find theta by commanding current to the motor and then measuring the position of the motor shaft (Demonstrated in Lab)
- To estimate k_s , the data should come out to be linear, so all you have to do is estimate the slope to find k_s

You can play around with k_s manually to estimate slope

You can export data to excel and use linear regression

You can use the 'Normal Equation'

$$k_s = (\theta^T \theta)^{-1} \theta^T T$$

3.3 How to Find ζ - Logarithmic Decrement

- Log. Decrement is used for finding the damping ratio of an underdamped system
- Defined as the natural log of the ratio of amplitude of two peaks, n periods apart, namely $\ln(P_i/P_{i+n})$
- Will use this ratio to estimate the damping ratio
- You will need to find three points using data cursors in MATLAB (How to do this will be covered)

3.4 Finding w_n , T_{osc} , w_d , b

- We can find rest of the coefficients of the MotorLab by equating a standard 2nd order system with our model

$$G(s) = \frac{k_t}{\underbrace{Js^2 + bs + k_s}_{\text{Motorlab Model}}} = \frac{k_{dc}w_n^2}{\underbrace{s^2 + 2\zeta w_n s + w_n^2}_{\text{Standard 2}^{nd} \text{ Order System}}}$$

- Equate the coefficients of the two equations to solve for w_n , b , etc.
- REMEMBER: THE COEFFICIENTS ARE NOT EQUIVALENT UNTIL YOU TAKE CARE OF J IN FRONT OF s^2 IN THE MOTORLAB MODEL!

4 Final Thoughts

- Make sure you've read the entire lab. It has information that will help you finish this lab and fill out the code
- We are looking for numeric answers for the coefficients table, not equations
- Have the instructors sign off the questions before you leave