

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

- We will find theta by commanding current to the motor and then measuring the position of the motor shaft
- 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'

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

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 (How to do this will be covered)

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