

# INSTRUMENTATION AND CONTROL

## TUTORIAL 2 ELECTRIC ACTUATORS

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**What is an actuator in instrumentation?** An actuator is a mechanical or electro-mechanical device that converts energy from a control signal into mechanical motion. In simpler terms, an actuator is a device that allows controlled movement or positioning. Actuators need a control signal and a source of energy to bring about mechanical motion.

**How do electric actuators work?** How does an electric actuator work? An electric motor will create rotary motion as the spindle, or rotor, rotates. The motor spindle is directly coupled to a helical screw, via the drive shaft, which in turn rotates in a ball screw nut.

**Is a motor an actuator?** Think of actuators as devices that help produce linear motion and motors as devices that help produce rotational movement. Hence, some consider actuators as a type of motor. But a motor is not a type of actuator. Both are critical to powering industrial applications and have a purpose in the right setting.

**Why are actuators important?** In engineering, actuators are frequently used as mechanisms to introduce motion, or to clamp an object so as to prevent motion. In electronic engineering, actuators are a subdivision of transducers. They are devices which transform an input signal (mainly an electrical signal) into some form of motion.

**What are the three types of actuator control?** Hydraulic, pneumatic and electric actuators aren't the only types of actuators that are available. Some other types of actuators include thermal and magnetic, mechanical and supercoiled. Though less common, each has their own place and could be ideal under the right set of

circumstances.

**What are 4 actuators examples?** Common examples of actuators include electric motors, stepper motors, jackscrews, electric muscular stimulators in robots, etc.

**How do you control an electric actuator?**

**Are actuators AC or DC?** Electric linear actuators are driven by either an AC or DC motor.

**What are the basics of actuators?** – An Actuator is a device that makes something move or operate. – An Actuator can move something in a straight line, referred to as linear, or in a circular motion, referred to as rotary. – An Actuator receives a source of energy and uses it to move something.

**What's the difference between a servo and an actuator?** So to summarize, an actuator is a simple device that can not complete a task without being told to do so, and a servo actuator is 'smart' in that it can accept an input signal and go to that position on it's own. It's actually fairly simple, but this distinction can cause some confusion.

**What is the difference between a solenoid and an actuator?** Differences. Some key areas that distinguish solenoids and actuators from each other include applied voltage, motion direction, and feedback. Applied Voltage: Solenoids require a direct input of voltage supplied by the controller, applied directly to the coil.

**Is actuator input or output?** Actuator. An output device that produces motion. We use it to control or move things. They are commonly used with sensors as part of 'Ubiquitous Computing' devices.

**What is the common problem with actuators?** Common cause: The actuator is undersized for the load. An undersized actuator most likely causes a cantilevered load issue. Sizing actuators correctly for the application is a crucial factor often neglected in favor of cost-efficiency. However, an undersized actuator will not be able to operate.

**What are the disadvantages of actuators?**

**Why do actuators go bad?** Normally, failure is caused by application errors, such as side loading, incorrect wiring, poor mounting fixity, excessive loading, and exceeding duty cycle.

**What is the most common actuator?**

**What is the most efficient type of actuator?** Electric actuators are efficient and can be tightly controlled. This means more precise motions are possible with electric actuators than with other systems. For example, an automated end mill can more precisely move the axes during machining than a fluid-based system.

**What are the applications of electric actuators?** Electric actuators are used in electronics and electronic assembly, robotics, machine tools and multiple industrial sectors. In upstream, midstream as well as downstream oil and gas plants, electric actuators are used. Electric actuators are used in pulp and paper plants.

**What is the difference between a sensor and an actuator?** Sensors and actuators often work in tandem, but they are essentially opposite devices. A sensor monitors conditions and signals when changes occur. An actuator receives a signal and performs an action, often in the form of movement in a mechanical machine. Another key difference is their location within the system.

**Is a LED an actuator?** If the LED's intensity is used to control another system's behaviour, then it could be considered as an actuator.

**Is a DC motor an actuator?** Electrical DC Motors are continuous actuators that convert electrical energy into mechanical energy. The DC motor achieves this by producing a continuous angular rotation that can be used to rotate pumps, fans, compressors, wheels, etc.

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**How do I choose an electric actuator?**

**How do you test an electric actuator?** Simply connect a multimeter in series with one of the leads of a powered linear actuator and watch the amperage reading as you extend/retract the rod. Based on the reading, you can determine a power supply that will be able to handle that current draw.

**What voltage are actuators?** Typically Electric Actuators come as standard in 12v or 24vdc. 12Vdc Actuators are common in home and mobile applications such as cars, campers, trucks and boats because their existing power supply is already 12v. For 24v Actuators, these are typically used in Industrial type applications.

**Is a solenoid an actuator?** In electromagnetic technology, a solenoid is an actuator assembly with a sliding ferromagnetic plunger inside the coil. Without power, the plunger extends for part of its length outside the coil; applying power pulls the plunger into the coil.

**What is the most common type of motor for electric actuators?** These actuators typically use either manually driven screws or AC induction motors. Manufacturers and builders use lead screw actuators in manual lifts and agricultural equipment. This is because they are relatively safe and low-cost options, despite being less powerful and efficient than other systems.

**What is the function of an actuator?** An actuator is a part of a device or machine that helps it to achieve physical movements by converting energy, often electrical, air, or hydraulic, into mechanical force. Simply put, it is the component in any machine that enables movement.

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**What is an actuator in equipment?** An actuator is a mechanical device that converts energy into motion. It is used to control and move a mechanism or system, such as a robot arm, a door or a valve.

**What is the purpose of the actuator control system?** An actuator is a mechanical or electromechanical device that converts energy, typically electrical, hydraulic, or pneumatic, into controlled motion or force. Actuators are used in various systems and applications to provide precise control and movement in response to input control signals or environmental conditions.

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**Is an actuator the same as a solenoid?** Put simply, an actuator is a device that produces motion from energy. DC motors, servos, stepper motors, and solenoids are all actuators as they convert electrical energy into movement.

**Is an actuator the same as a control valve?** The difference between a valve and an actuator is that a valve is the primary device that controls the flow of fluid or matter within a process, while an actuator is an additional component that provides the necessary mechanical force or motion to operate the valve automatically.

**What is an actuator vs controller?** The actuator is the valve that opens or closes the fluid flow out. The sensor is visual. The controller is the operator. Example 2 : Magnetic Levitation [1].

**What is an example of an electric actuator?** Electric actuators can be used wherever motion needs to be controlled or a force applied. Here are just a few examples of where electric linear actuators may be used in industry: Providing a 7th axis to Cobots. Positioning of medical beds, tables and other equipment.

**What is an actuator for dummies?** ? A device that moves or operates something is called an actuator. When an actuator receives a portion of the input energy as a feedback control signal, the actuator starts moving the machine part. In other terms, an actuator transforms energy into mechanical or physical motion.

**Is an actuator an electrical device?** An actuator is a device that converts energy into some kind of "operation", such as linear movement, rotation, or bending. In addition to electricity, the input energy comes in a variety of forms, such as air (pneumatic) or oil (hydraulic) pressure, magnetic force from electromagnets, steam, and heat.

**How do you control an actuator?**

**What is the function of electric actuator?** An electric actuator is a mechanical device used to convert electricity into kinetic energy in either a single linear or rotary motion. It automates damper or valve in order to increase process efficiency and complexity.

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## **Shree Shree Lakshmi Bengali Panchali: A Journey Through Devotion**

**What is the Shree Shree Lakshmi Bengali Panchali?**

The Shree Shree Lakshmi Bengali Panchali is a devotional text written in the Bengali language by renowned poet and saint Chandidas. Composed in the 15th century, it is a collection of 150 verses that extol the glory of Goddess Lakshmi, the Hindu deity of wealth and prosperity. The Panchali is renowned for its lyrical beauty, philosophical insights, and rich symbolism.

**What is the significance of the Panchali's composition in Bengali?**

Composing the Panchali in Bengali had a profound impact on Bengali literature. It marked a shift from the traditional Sanskrit language used in religious texts to the vernacular language spoken by the masses. This made the Panchali accessible to a

wider audience and helped spread the message of devotion to Goddess Lakshmi.

### **What are the main themes explored in the Panchali?**

The Shree Shree Lakshmi Bengali Panchali covers a wide range of themes, including devotion, surrender, bhakti (devotional love), and the nature of the divine. Chandidas emphasizes the importance of cultivating a loving connection with Goddess Lakshmi and surrendering oneself to her grace. He also explores the paradoxical nature of divinity, portraying Lakshmi as both an external deity and an embodiment of the inner self.

### **How is the Panchali performed and used in worship?**

The Shree Shree Lakshmi Bengali Panchali is traditionally performed by singers and musicians during festivals and religious ceremonies. It is also recited individually for devotional purposes or as part of daily rituals. The Panchali's verses have become familiar mantras, and its teachings continue to inspire and guide devotees of Goddess Lakshmi.

### **What is the legacy of the Shree Shree Lakshmi Bengali Panchali?**

The Shree Shree Lakshmi Bengali Panchali has had a lasting impact on Bengali culture and spirituality. It remains one of the most popular and beloved devotional texts in the region, and its verses are quoted and sung across generations. The Panchali's teachings on devotion and surrender continue to resonate with modern-day readers, reminding them of the transformative power of spiritual love.

### **What's Mine Is Yours: The Rise of Collaborative Consumption**

**Introduction:** Collaborative consumption is a growing trend that emphasizes sharing, renting, and swapping resources instead of individual ownership. This shift has been driven by the rise of the digital economy, social media, and a growing awareness of environmental concerns.

**What is collaborative consumption?** Collaborative consumption refers to the practice of sharing, renting, or swapping goods and services with others rather than owning them outright. This includes activities such as ride-sharing, peer-to-peer lending, and renting items through platforms like Airbnb and Rent the Runway.

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**Why is collaborative consumption becoming popular?** Several factors are driving the rise of collaborative consumption, including:

- **Technological advancements:** Digital platforms have made it easier than ever to connect with others, share resources, and track transactions.
- **Social media:** Social media platforms foster a sense of community and enable people to share experiences and recommendations related to collaborative consumption.
- **Environmental concerns:** Collaborative consumption reduces waste and promotes sustainability by extending the lifespan of products.

**What are the benefits of collaborative consumption?** Collaborative consumption offers several benefits, including:

- **Financial savings:** Sharing resources can significantly reduce expenses compared to traditional ownership.
- **Increased convenience:** Collaboratively accessed goods and services are often more easily accessible than individually owned items.
- **Reduced waste:** By sharing and reusing products, collaborative consumption minimizes waste and environmental impact.

**How can I participate in collaborative consumption?** Participating in collaborative consumption is easy. Here are a few ways to get started:

- **Join sharing platforms:** Explore websites and apps like Uber, Airbnb, and Zipcar that facilitate sharing and renting.
- **Attend swap meets and community events:** Local events can provide opportunities to exchange goods and services with others.
- **Encourage reuse:** Repair and reuse items instead of discarding them. Consider selling or donating unwanted belongings.

### **Section 3 Guided Reading and Review: Other Expressed Powers**

This article delves into the additional powers explicitly granted to the federal government by the Constitution, beyond those explicitly stated in Section 8. These



powers, known as "other expressed powers," provide the federal government with authority in various areas, allowing it to effectively govern the nation.

## **Questions and Answers**

1. **What is the Necessary and Proper Clause (Article I, Section 8, Clause 18)?** Answer: This clause grants Congress the power to enact laws that are "necessary and proper" to carrying out its other enumerated powers, giving the federal government flexibility in executing its responsibilities.
2. **What is the Power to Coin Money (Article I, Section 8, Clause 5)?** Answer: This power authorizes the federal government to regulate currency, issue coins and paper money, and establish a national monetary system.
3. **What is the Power to Establish Post Offices (Article I, Section 8, Clause 7)?** Answer: This power enables the federal government to create and operate a postal service, ensuring the efficient delivery of mail and facilitating communication across the nation.
4. **What is the Power to Declare War (Article I, Section 8, Clause 11)?** Answer: This power grants the federal government the exclusive authority to declare war against other nations, giving it control over matters of national defense and foreign policy.
5. **What is the Power to Borrow Money (Article I, Section 8, Clause 2)?** Answer: This power allows the federal government to borrow funds to finance its operations, such as military expenses, infrastructure projects, and social programs.

## **Conclusion**

These "other expressed powers" play a crucial role in the functioning of the federal government. They provide the necessary authority to regulate currency, establish a postal system, declare war, secure the nation's defense, and finance essential

programs. By understanding the scope of these powers, we gain a deeper appreciation for the complex system of governance established by the Constitution.

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