

E 2.1 · Asymptotic Regulation of a Heater

Consider the room heating (worksheet 1, example 3) and use Python CONTROL facilities:

- (a) Gradually enhance your P controller towards a SISO PID controller.

[**Note:** The PID transfer function from the slides can be composed using parallel and the P-, I-, and D-transfer functions `tf(kp, 1)`, `tf(1, [Ti, 0])`, `tf([Td, 0], [T, 1])`.]

[**Note:** This simple example allows a manual guessing of the corresponding parameters, e.g., k_P .]

- (b) Compare the PID law with the PI, PD, and P laws. What can you see?
 (c) Change system parameters (e.g., k_s). What happens?

Assessed Assignments

H 2.2 · Asymptotic Regulation of Two Heated Tanks

(10 points)

Use Python CONTROL for the following steps:

- (a) Implement a multiple-input/multiple-output (MIMO) P-controller for the heated tanks model (worksheet 1) focusing on mode l_1 only.

[**Note:** You can compose the transfer functions of the P laws (see previous exercise) using append.]

- (b) Synthesise an LQR law as an alternative to the P law.

H 2.3 · Optimal Control of a Simple Inverted Pendulum

(20 points)

We explore infinite-horizon linear-quadratic (LQ) control of a simple inverted pendulum (Figure 1). We want to find an optimal state-feedback controller $u^* = \mathbf{k}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}$ that stabilises the pendulum rod of length $l = 0.68$ m and mass $m = 10.67$ kg at $\phi = 0$ using a *minimal* momentum u applied somehow¹ to the rod. The second-order state-space formulation *linearised* around the goal location $\bar{\phi} = 0$ is given by

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\phi} \\ \ddot{\phi} \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{\mathbf{x}}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \frac{3g}{2l} & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \phi \\ \dot{\phi} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{3}{ml^2} \end{bmatrix}}_B u, \quad \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \phi(0) \\ \dot{\phi}(0) \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}(0)} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \phi_0 \\ \dot{\phi}_0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}_0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.52 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_C \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \phi \\ \dot{\phi} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}} = \phi.$$

Construct an LQ cost functional and identify the optimal controller $\mathbf{k}^* \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}$ using the LQ solution method.

¹ Classical variants of the inverted pendulum involve a carriage under the rod to be moved to generate the momentum.

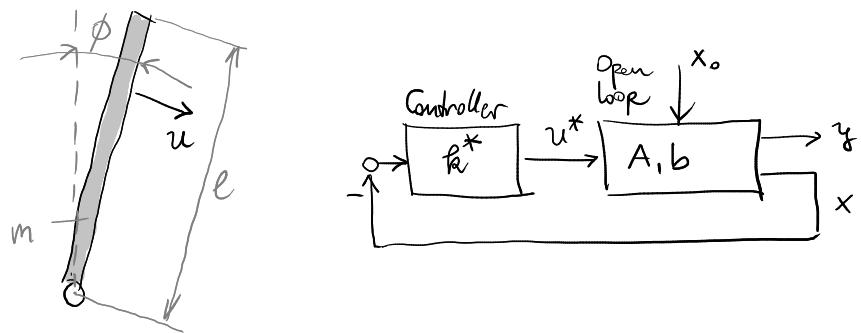


Figure 1: A simple inverted pendulum (left), where ϕ and $\dot{\phi}$ are the angular position and velocity, and a basic control block diagram (right)