

# Phys 39 Lab Report: PID Temperature Control

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## Abstract

Many systems require closed-loop control in which some input parameter is continually adjusted based on measurements so that a target value of an output parameter is reached in a reasonable amount of time. Here, we use Proportional-Integral-Derivative (PID) control for the temperature of a peltier. We find that for certain values of PID gain, target temperatures both above and below room temperature can be reached with little fluctuations after a period of 200 seconds or less. This system could be improved by incorporating a filter to smooth out noisy data in order to improve the reliability of the derivative term. An experimental setup like this can be used in applications requiring the control of temperature, such as gel electrophoresis in which the precise control of temperature for the gel is important. More generally, PID control is useful in many other fields, such as to steer a telescope and control the orientation of a rocket.

## 1 Introduction

PID is the most common algorithm used for control of many systems [1]. The idea is that if some input parameter is related to an output parameter, then we can repeatedly adjust the input until the output reaches a user-specified set value. Let  $u$  represent the *control* signal, i.e. the input parameter, and  $y$  be a related output parameter. Let  $r$  be the reference or *set* value. Then, the control *error* is defined [1] as

$$e := r - y. \quad (1)$$

Our goal is to minimize  $|e|$ . To accomplish this, we update the current value of the input to

$$u(t) = k_p e(t) + k_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau + k_d \frac{de}{dt}. \quad (2)$$

This equation includes three terms. First, the *proportional* term is

$$P = k_p e(t),$$

where  $k_p$  is the *proportional gain*. The gain determines how aggressive any changes are, and this term means we adjust the input by the current error up to some proportionality constant. In this way, if  $y < r$  then  $e > 0$  and so we increase the input  $u$ . Likewise, if  $y > r$  then  $e < 0$  and so we decrease the input  $u$ . Crucially, if  $e$  is very small, then our changes are very small. This term tells us the current information about the error [1].

Second, the *integral* term in Equation 2 is

$$I = k_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau,$$

where  $k_i$  is the *integral gain*. This term includes the history of the error [1], because it is integrating the accumulated error over time. This term should remove any steady-state errors left by the P term alone, because any such steady-state errors will accumulate area between the set value  $r$  and the current value  $y$ .

The third term in Equation 2 is the derivative term,

$$D = k_d \frac{de}{dt},$$

where  $k_d$  is the *derivative gain*. This is predicting the future trajectory of the error by assuming that it will be approximately linear for small step sizes in  $t$  [1]. This term also crucially approaches zero as the error curve flattens out near zero.

In experiment, the output parameter  $y$  is the temperature, and our input parameter  $u$  is the average voltage.

## 2 Methods

### 2.1 Experimental setup

To control our circuit, we use an Arduino. The Arduino is connected to a thermistor in order to measure temperature, and a peltier thermo-electric cooler (TEC) to actively heat and cool. The Arduino is not powerful enough to run the TEC, so we use an H-bridge and power supply to boost the voltage being supplied to the TEC and to control its polarity (i.e. either cooling or heating). The full circuit is shown in Figure 1, and the individual components are described in the following subsections.

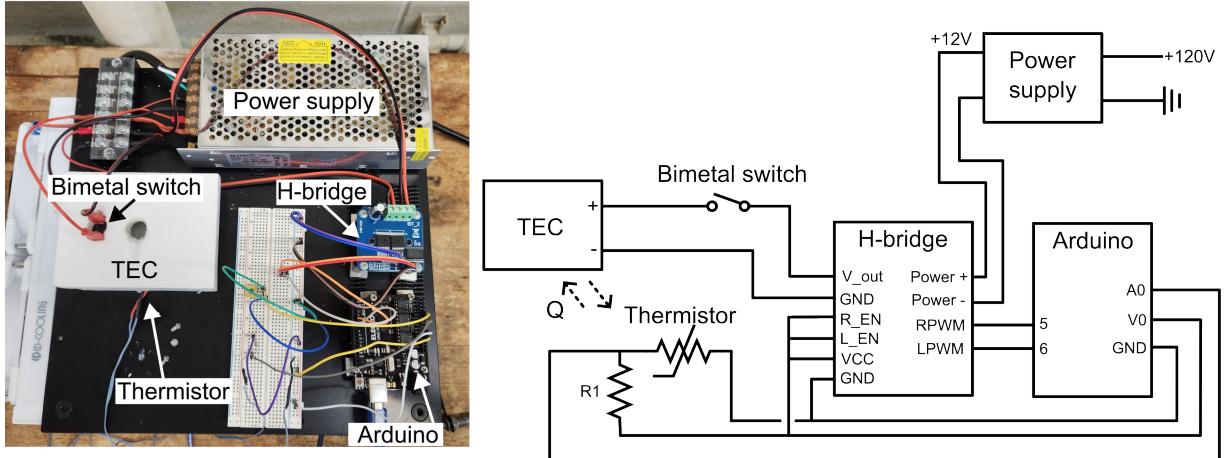


Figure 1: Full circuit diagram. (Left) Picture of experimental setup. (Right) Circuit diagram of experimental setup.

In the Arduino, we use digital pins 5 and 6 to connect to the H-bridge, and analog pin A0 to measure the voltage across the thermistor (Fig. 1). The power supply is plugged into a 120V outlet, and outputs a maximum voltage of 12V at a power of 120W. The TEC is put in thermal contact with the thermistor using an aluminum block and thermal paste, and we try to minimize heat transferred to the environment using a block of styrofoam (Fig. 1). To prevent the TEC from overheating, we use a bimetal safety switch, which is electrically in serial with the TEC, and physically in thermal contact with the TEC (Fig. 1). The bimetal safety switch will turn off if the temperature goes too high (about 320K). Finally, the Arduino talks to a MATLAB app using the serial port, which is how the user specifies the target temperature and values of gain to use.

### 2.2 Thermistor

We use a thermistor to measure temperature. A thermistor is a variable resistor whose value of resistance depends on the temperature of its environment. To calculate this, we first measure the voltage across the thermistor,  $V_T$ , for a given reference resistor  $R_1 = 3.2k\Omega$  which is put in serial with the thermistor. We derive a formula for the resistance of the thermistor  $R_T$  as follows.

Notice that

$$V_0 = I(R_1 + R_T),$$

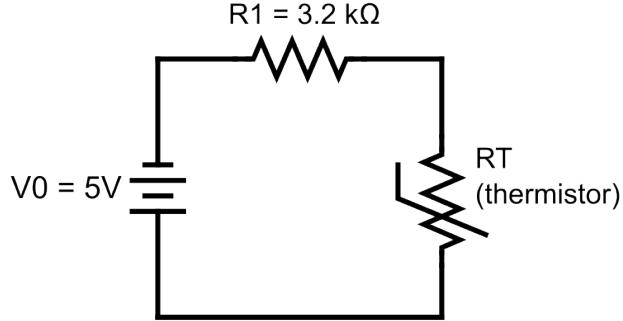


Figure 2: Thermistor circuit. We use an initial voltage of  $V_0 = 5V$  from the Arduino and a reference resistance of  $R_1 = 3.2\text{ k}\Omega$ .

because the current is consistent throughout the circuit. Notice also that

$$I = \frac{V_T}{R_T},$$

which is given by Ohm's Law across the thermistor. Then substituting this expression for  $I$  into the equation above and solving for  $R_T$ , we see

$$\begin{aligned} V_0 &= \frac{V_T}{R_T}(R_1 + R_T) \\ \iff V_0 &= V_T \left( \frac{R_1}{R_T} + 1 \right) \\ \iff \frac{V_0}{V_T} - 1 &= \frac{R_1}{R_T} \\ R_T &= R_1 \left( \frac{V_T}{V_0 - V_T} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Therefore, by measuring the voltage  $V_T$  across the thermistor, we can calculate its resistance  $R_T$ . The voltage  $V_0$  is supplied by the Arduino in our circuit.

Next, to convert the resistance of the thermistor into temperature, we use the Steinhart–Hart equation [4]

$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{T_0} + \frac{1}{B} \ln \frac{R_T}{R_0}. \tag{4}$$

Here,  $T_0$  is a reference temperature,  $R_0$  is the default resistance of the thermistor at the temperature  $T_0$ , and  $B$  is a parameter that depends on the specific thermistor being used. Our thermistor (part number B57861S0104F040) has a default resistance of  $R_0 = 100\text{ k}\Omega$  at a temperature of  $T_0 = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , and a value of  $B = 4540^\circ\text{C}$ . Therefore with these values, we can use Equations 3 and 4 to calculate the temperature of the thermistor just by measuring the voltage across the thermistor.

### 2.3 TEC

A TEC works on the Peltier effect, which is that if a current is passed through two dissimilar electric conductor, then a heat gradient will form between the two materials (i.e. heat will flow from one to the other) [2]. In practice these are made using P- and N-type semiconductors [3], and the direction of the current (i.e. polarity of the voltage) will determine the direction of heat flow (i.e. whether it is heating or cooling a given surface) [2].

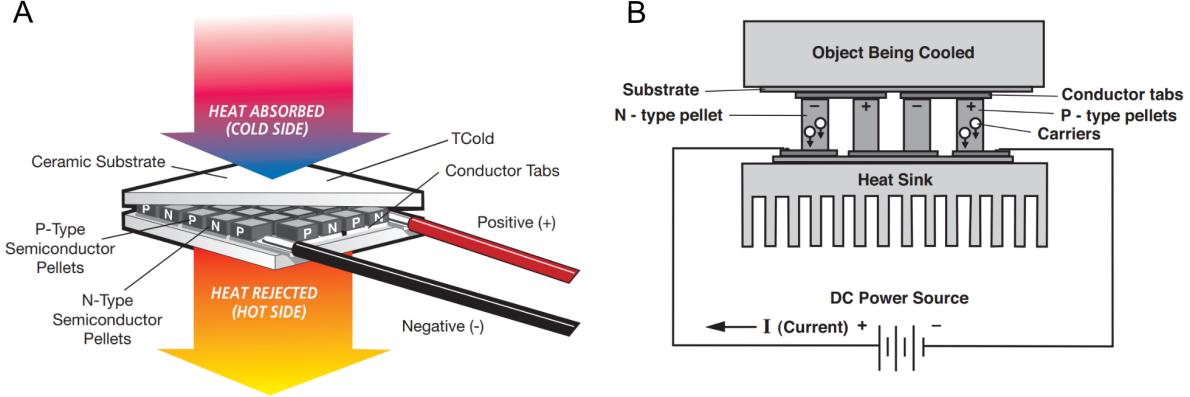


Figure 3: Thermo-electric cooler, figure adapted from [2]. (A) Illustration of heat flow for a given current. Note the arrangement of P- and N-type semiconductors. (B) Illustration of charged pellets travelling as a result of the current.

In our experiment, we use a heat sink and put an aluminum block (with a hole drilled to fit a thermistor) on the top of the TEC, as in Figure 3B.

## 2.4 H-bridge

An H-bridge is used to control polarity [3]. The idea is that if you open and close switches on either side of an output (say a motor), then you can control the direction in which current will flow. For example, if you close S1 and S4 in Figure 4, the current will flow counter-clockwise and the polarity will be positive, while if you instead only close switches S2 and S3, the current will flow in the opposite direction and the voltage will be negative. This is therefore an effective method of controlling the direction of current in the TEC, and by adding a power supply we can amplify the voltage that is sent to the TEC.

In our experiment, we used an Integrated Circuit H-bridge (Part number IBT\_2). This connects to the Arduino digital pins 5 and 6 using pins labeled RPWM and LPWM on the H-bridge, respectively (Fig. 1). Depending on which pin receives a higher voltage, this H-bridge will swap the polarity. If RPWM > LPWM, the TEC will heat, and if RPWM < LPWM the TEC will cool. In practice, it is easier to set LPWM= 0 if we are in heating mode, and RPWM = 0 if we are in cooling mode.

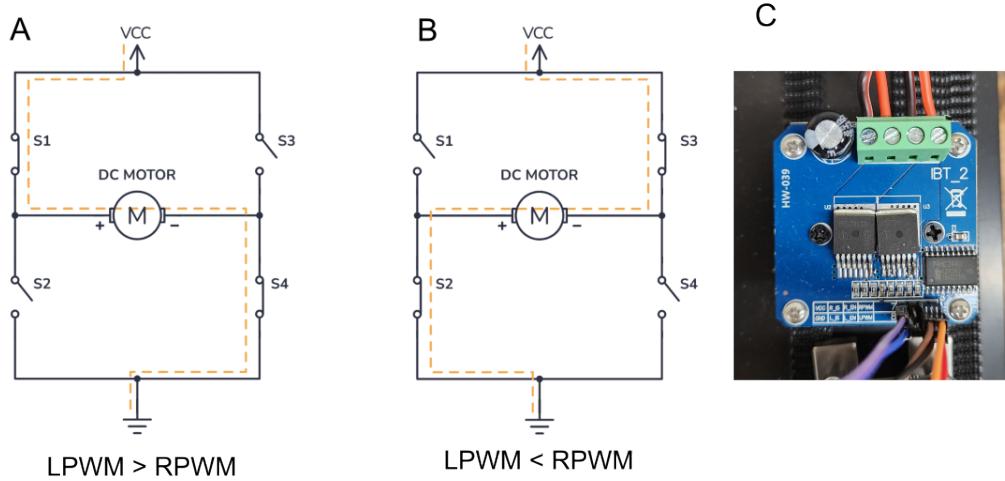


Figure 4: H-bridge. Adapted from [3]. (A & B) The polarity of an H-bridge will swap depending on which switches are open and closed. (A) S1 and S4 are closed, and the voltage is positive with respect to ground. (B) S2 and S3 are closed, and the voltage is negative. (C) Picture of H-bridge used in experiment.

## 2.5 Pulse-width modulation (PWM)

To vary the effective voltage output from the Arduino, we use Pulse-width modulation. The idea is that instead of continuously varying the value of voltage, as in an analog system, we can effectively vary the *average* power using a digital wave train of pulses whose widths vary (i.e., a sequence of pulses that are either on or off, where “on” corresponds to 5V). One full period for a pulse train is called the *duty cycle*, and by having pulses on for only a percentage of the duty cycle, the average voltage over time can be continuously varied from 0V to 5V. For example, if we use 20% of the duty cycle, then the effective voltage will be  $0.2 \cdot 5V = 0.1V$  (Fig. 5).

In Arduino, a PWM value of 255 corresponds to using 100% of the duty cycle, and a PWM value of 0 corresponds to 0% (so that anything in-between 0 and 255 lies between 0 and 100%).

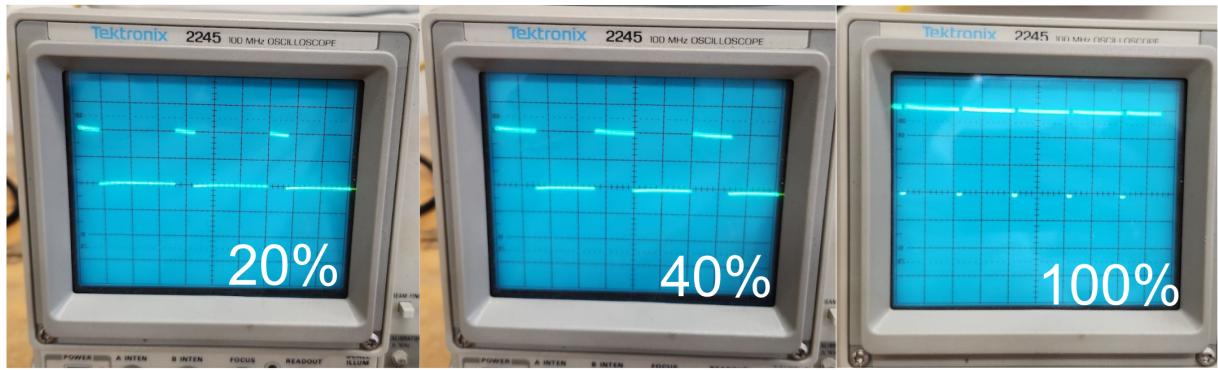


Figure 5: Oscilloscope representation of PWM. The scale is normalized so that 5V is 2 divisions above the zero line. Increasing the percentage of the duty cycle increases the portion that is “on”.

### 3 Results

#### 3.1 Characterizing PWM and temperature

To characterize the relationship between the value of PWM (from 0 to 255, where 255 represents 100% of the duty cycle), and the output temperature of the Peltier in steady-state, we varied the value of PWM in both heating and cooling modes, and waited for the temperature to stabilize (Fig. 6). By fitting a line to our measurements, and recognizing that  $dT/d\text{PWM}$  (i.e. the change in temperature per change in PWM) is the slope of this line (call it  $C$ ), we find that in a cooling mode,

$$C_{\text{cool}} = \frac{dT}{d\text{PWM}_{\text{cool}}} = -0.17. \quad (5)$$

For heating mode, we find

$$C_{\text{heat}} = \frac{dT}{d\text{PWM}_{\text{heat}}} = 0.39. \quad (6)$$

Notably, for a PWM of 0, we measure a room temperature of 285K.

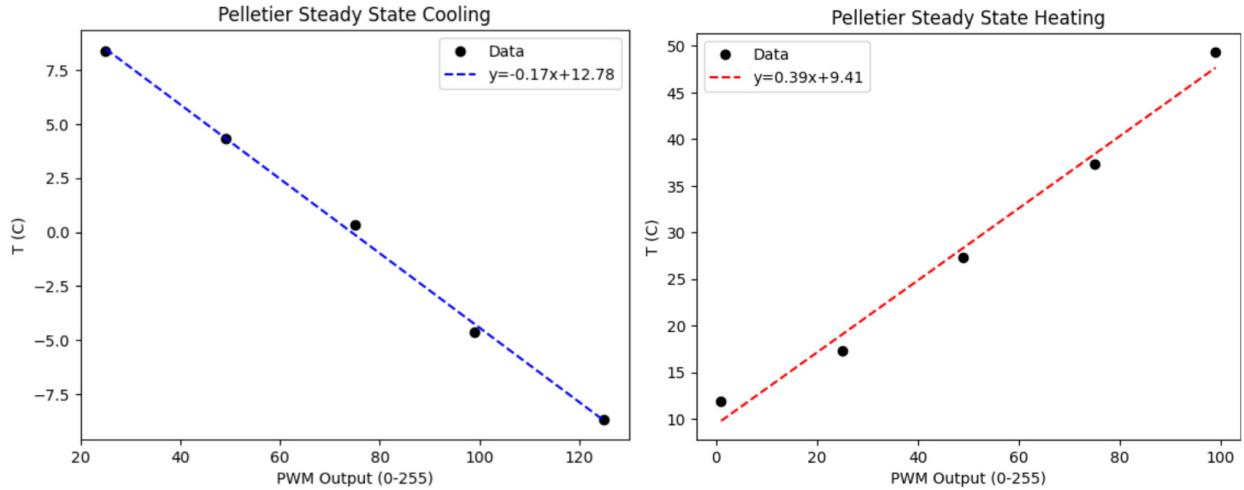


Figure 6: Steady state temperatures of Peltier for different PWM values in both cooling and heating modes.

#### 3.2 MATLAB app

To allow for a user-specified set temperature, we created an app in MATLAB. This app communicates to the Arduino via the serial port. The graphical user interface (GUI) for this app is shown in Figure 7. One sets the target temperature using a knob from 260 to 320 K, and enters values of gain for the P, I and D terms (for the PID control.) Then, the Arduino will print to MATLAB the current temperature (as calculated in section 2.2). Based on this, the MATLAB code will implement the PID control algorithm (section 1), and it will calculate a PWM value from -255 to 255. For heating, we set the PWM to be from 0 to 255, and for cooling we use a PWM from 0 to -255 (so that -255 is 100% of the duty cycle in the cooling mode).

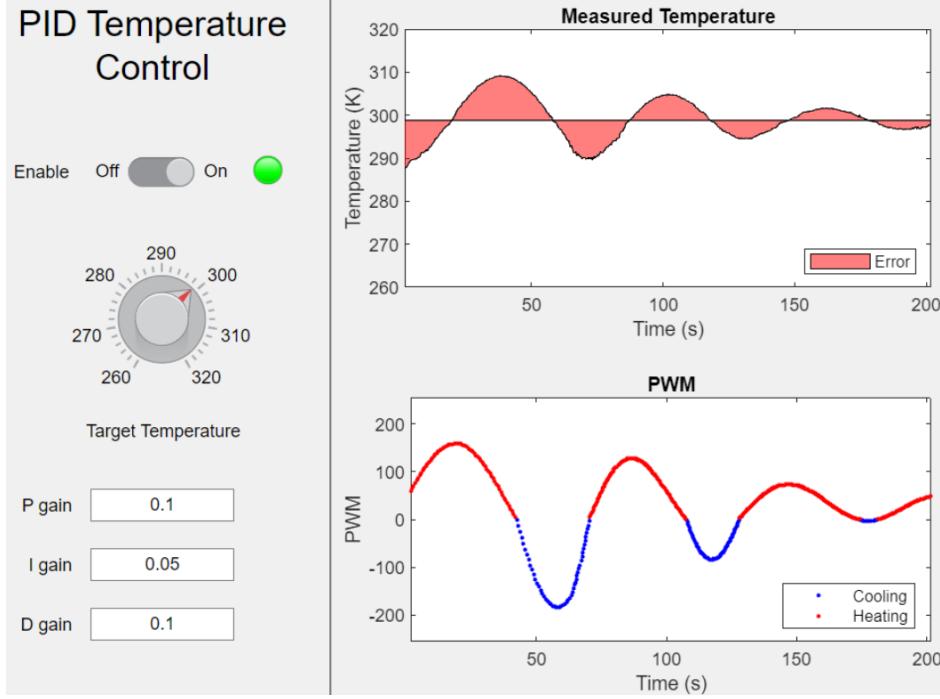


Figure 7: MATLAB app GUI. User specified values are on the left-column. The top right plot shows the measured temperature, with the area between the target temperature and measured temperature shaded red. The bottom right plot shows the PWM as calculated using PID. Whenever the PWM is negative, the system is cooling, and when the PWM is positive the system is heating. Note that the PWM curves for heating and cooling look different because we use different conversion factors (i.e. we are more aggressive for cooling because the TEC is slower at cooling).

### 3.3 PID temperature control

Before we can directly implement PID, we must convert from an error in terms of temperature into something in terms of PWM. For this, since we are considering *changes* in temperature and PWM, we can use the conversion factors given by equations 5 and 6, so that

$$C = \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta \text{PWM}}$$

where  $C$  is either  $C_{\text{cool}} = 0.17$  or  $C_{\text{heat}} = 0.39$  depending on the mode that we are in (where the sign is handled based on this mode).

At  $t = 0$ , we set the PWM value to be that which corresponds to the target temperature in steady state (e.g. if the target temperature is greater than room temperature, then we solve the inverse of  $y = 0.39x + 9.4$ , convert it into PWM and start there). Then, once we start measuring, we set

$$\text{PWM} = \frac{u_T}{C}$$

where

$$u_T = k_p e(t) + k_i \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau + k_d \frac{de}{dt} \quad (7)$$

Here, we calculate the integral numerically by summing over the values of  $e(t)$  multiplied by the corresponding time steps  $dt$ . Similarly, we calculate the derivative numerically as the slope between consecutive data points.

To test the effectiveness of the P term alone vs P and I (PI) vs P, I and D (PID), we did three tests. First, the integral and derivative gains were set to zero, ( $k_i = k_d = 0$ ). Second, only the derivative gain was set to zero ( $k_d = 0$ ), while the integral gain was fine-tuned through trial-and-error (keeping  $k_p$  fixed.) Third,

we performed a test in which all three values of gain are non-zero, and  $k_d$  is fine-tuned as well. The results of these three tests are shown in Figure 8. As expected, in P alone there is a steady-state error between the measured temperature and set temperature, because there is no guarantee that the P term  $P = k_p e$  will be the input that corresponds to the target temperature. Notably however, with PI this steady-state error goes away, because we accumulate area between the target and measure temperatures (shaded region in Fig. 8), which then offsets the input until the error converges to zero. Additionally, the full PID test seems to have the best results, as it converged in only 70 seconds.

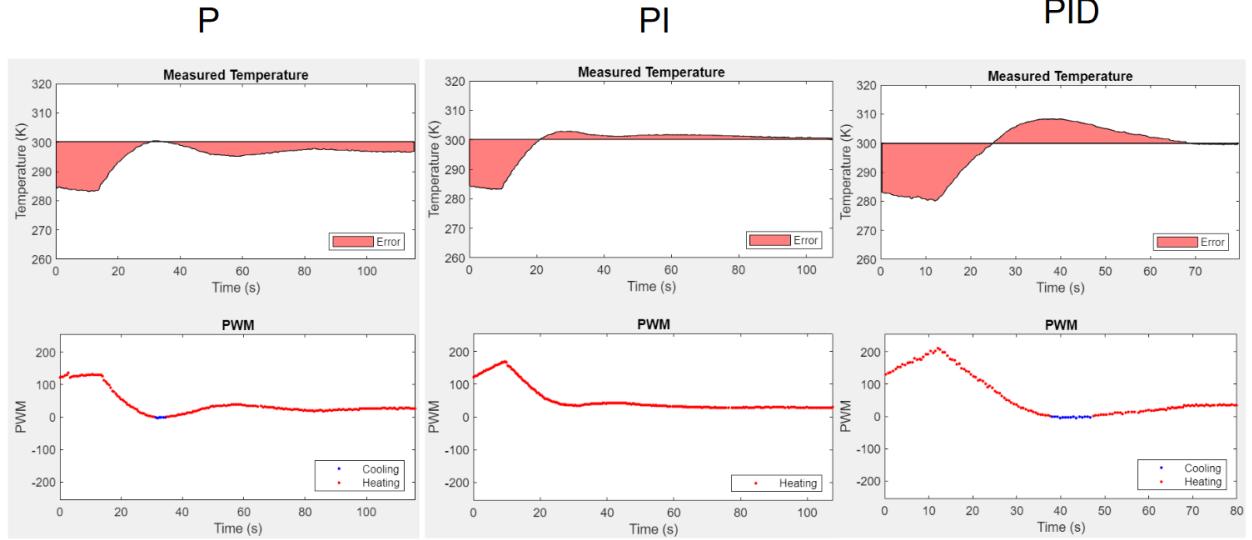


Figure 8: Test of PID terms. The red shaded region is the area between the measured temperature and target temperature. For P, the gains were  $k_p = 3$ ,  $k_i = 0$ ,  $k_d = 0$ . For PI, the gains were  $k_p = 3$ ,  $k_i = 0.1$  and  $k_d = 0$ . For PID, the gains were  $k_p = 3$ ,  $k_i = 0.1$  and  $k_d = 1$ .

## 4 Discussion

Although we were able to reach target temperatures within a reasonable amount of time using PID here (on the order of 100 seconds), there are several ways in which this approach could be improved. First, the main problem I see is that we do the PID calculations in Matlab, so any other computations or processes being run locally on the computer will affect how quickly it can send the new value of PWM to the Arduino. For example, if we run the app and then do something else on the computer, the data points will become significantly spaced out, and the effectiveness of the PID is notably changed. This is also true for additional processes in the Matlab code, such as fancy formatting in the plots or expensive tasks such as manipulating the array of time values. With our setup, (as in Fig. 8), we observed the update time step  $dt$  is roughly 0.1 s. Therefore a much better solution would be to perform all PID calculations on the Arduino itself (and only send the user-specified target temperature from the Matlab app), so that the updates are faster and decoupled from other computations on the computer running Matlab. This would explain why the PID was very slow in experiment.

Secondly, including a filter before calculating the derivative to smooth out the data would significantly improve the reliability of the D term (and could allow one to increase the D gain). For example, if one has very noisy data, then even if the overall trend of the data is upwards, there will be many examples in which the data happens to go downwards a little and then since we take the slope to calculate the derivative, many of the contributions from the D term will be in the wrong direction [1]. Therefore, using a filter to smooth the data would help. For example, the Sovitsky-Golay filter, in which one fits an  $m^{th}$  order polynomial to  $m + 1$  data points could be an effective solution.

## 5 Conclusion

Here, we implemented a PID algorithm to control temperature in an experimental setup using a Peltier, Arduino and Matlab app. The thermistor circuit allowed us to measure temperature by measuring only the voltage across the thermistor. To reach a target temperature, we calculate a PWM in Matlab and send it to the Arduino. Then, the Arduino uses an H-bridge and power supply to run a Peltier, which is in thermal contact with the thermistor. This technique effectively reached a user-prescribed temperature over a period of about 100 seconds, which could be improved even further by running the PID calculations on the Arduino instead of Matlab and filtering the data. This system could be directly used in many experiments where the precise control of temperature is necessary. For example, gel electrophoresis requires precise control of temperature for both the gel itself and the buffer surrounding the gel. One could therefore combine two PID controls as shown here to run an automated gel electrophoresis experiment for an indefinite amount of time (in principle). This same idea of using PID as a control algorithm could also be extended to completely different applications, such as pointing a telescope so that it tracks a certain celestial object, or to control the orientation of a rocket on descent to make it land upright. All of these cases require the precise control and closed-loop feedback from sensor to output, which are precisely the principles learned here.

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## 6 Supplementary Information

### 6.1 MATLAB code

```
1 classdef appPID < matlab.apps.AppBase
2
3 % Properties that correspond to app components
4 properties (Access = public)
5     UIFigure                         matlab.ui.Figure
6     GridLayout                        matlab.ui.container.GridLayout
7     LeftPanel                         matlab.ui.container.Panel
8     DgainEditField                    matlab.ui.control.EditField
9     DgainEditFieldLabel               matlab.ui.control.Label
10    IgainEditField                   matlab.ui.control.EditField
11    IgainEditFieldLabel              matlab.ui.control.Label
12    PgainEditField                  matlab.ui.control.EditField
13    PgainEditFieldLabel             matlab.ui.control.Label
14    TargetTemperatureKnob           matlab.ui.control.Knob
15    TargetTemperatureKnobLabel      matlab.ui.control.Label
16    Lamp                            matlab.ui.control.Lamp
17    EnableSwitch                     matlab.ui.control.Switch
18    EnableLabel                      matlab.ui.control.Label
19    PIDTemperatureControlLabel     matlab.ui.control.Label
20    RightPanel                      matlab.ui.container.Panel
21    UIAxes2                         matlab.ui.control.UIAxes
22    UIAxes                           matlab.ui.control.UIAxes
23 end
24
25 % Properties that correspond to apps with auto-reflow
26 properties (Access = private)
27     onePanelWidth = 576;
28 end
29
30 properties (Access = private)
31     arduino % Arduino object for the app to speak to the Arduino over the serial port
32     PWMvalues = []; % list to store PWM values
33     tempValues = []; % list of temperature values
34     times = []; % list of times
35     PWM = 0; % current PWM value
36     errValues = []; % store all error values
37     roomTemp = 285; % define the ambient room temperature
38
39 end
40 methods (Access = private)
41
42     function updatePlots(app)
43         % Receive the temperature value from the comport connected to Arduino
44         tempValue = fscanf(apparduino, '%f'); % Read the temperature data as a float
45         targetTemp = app.TargetTemperatureKnob.Value; % Retrieve value of target
temperature
46         err = targetTemp-tempValue; % Find the error
47         app.errValues = [app.errValues, err]; % update error vector
48         app.times = [app.times, toc]; % update time vector
49
50         % Adjust the conversion factor we're using based on whether we
51         % are cooling or heating (use most recent value).
52         if app.PWM > 0
53             conversionFactor = 0.39;
54         else
55             conversionFactor = 0.17;
56         end
57
58         % Retrieve the gain values from the UI interface
59         Pgain = str2double(appPgainEditField.Value);
60         Igain = str2double(appIgainEditField.Value);
61         Dgain = str2double(appDgainEditField.Value);
62
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63      % Calculate the P term
64      Pterm = err*Pgain/conversionFactor;
65
66      % Calculate the I term
67      numTerms = 5;
68      y = app.errValues(find(app.errValues, numTerms, 'last'));
69      dx = [0, diff(app.times(find(app.times, numTerms, 'last')))];
70      disp("y")
71      disp(y)
72      disp("dx")
73      disp(dx)
74      integral = sum(y.*dx); % Take the integral over the errors vs time.
75      Iterm = integral*Igain/conversionFactor;
76
77      % Calculate the D term
78      recentErrs = app.errValues(find(app.errValues, 2, 'last')); % Find the last two
79      error values
80      recentTimes = app.times(find(app.times, 2, 'last')); % Find the times of these
81      values
82      %if length(app.times) > 2 % Don't take the derivative if the list is too short.
83      if toc > 2
84          derivative = (recentErrs(2) - recentErrs(1))/(recentTimes(2) - recentTimes
85          (1));
86          Dterm = derivative*Dgain/conversionFactor;
87      else
88          Dterm = 0;
89      end
90
91
92      % Calculate the u term, i.e. the change in PWM = P + I + D
93      dPWM = Pterm + Iterm + Dterm;
94      PWMvalue = app.PWM + dPWM; % Add this change in PWM to the current value
95
96      % Handle saturation edge-case
97      if PWMvalue > 255
98          PWMvalue = 255;
99      elseif PWMvalue < -255
100         PWMvalue = -255;
101     end
102
103
104     %% Update the current app's value of PWM and list of temperatures
105     app.PWM = PWMvalue;
106     app.tempValues = [app.tempValues, tempValue];
107
108     %% Display relevant information in the terminal. This useful for troubleshooting
109     disp("Temperature:")
110     disp(tempValue)
111     disp("dPWM")
112     disp(dPWM)
113     disp("Final PWM")
114     disp(PWMvalue)
115     disp("P term:")
116     disp(Pterm)
117     disp("I term:")
118     disp(Iterm)
119     disp("D term")
120     disp(Dterm)
121
122
123     %% Plot the PWM
124     fprintf(app.arduino, int2str(int32(PWMvalue)));
125     app.PWMvalues = [app.PWMvalues, PWMvalue];
126     app.UIAxes2;
127
128
129     % Clear UIAxes2 to avoid overlapping issues
130     cla(app.UIAxes2);
131     hold(app.UIAxes2, 'on');

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127     plot(app.UIAxes2, app.times(app.PWMvalues<0), app.PWMvalues(app.PWMvalues<0), 'b
128 .', 'DisplayName', 'Cooling')
129     plot(app.UIAxes2, app.times(app.PWMvalues>0), app.PWMvalues(app.PWMvalues>0), 'r
130 .', 'DisplayName', 'Heating')
131     % Adjust the axis scales
132     if toc < 300
133         xlim(app.UIAxes2, [0, toc])
134     else
135         xlim(app.UIAxes2, [toc-300, toc])
136     end
137     ylim(app.UIAxes2, [-255, 255])
138
139     % Add a legend
140     legend(app.UIAxes2, 'Location', 'southeast');
141
142     % Draw the plot
143     drawnow;
144
145     %% Plot the temperature
146     app.UIAxes;
147
148     % Plot measured temperature data points
149     plot(app.UIAxes, app.times, app.tempValues, 'DisplayName', 'Data')
150
151     % Shade the area between the target and measure temperature
152     if size(app.times, 2) > 2
153         % Define y-coordinates of the target temperature line
154         y2 = targetTemp*ones(1, size(app.errValues, 2));
155         x2 = [app.times, fliplr(app.times)];
156         inBetween = [app.tempValues, fliplr(y2)];
157         fill(app.UIAxes, x2, inBetween, 'r', 'FaceAlpha', 0.5, 'DisplayName', 'Error
158 ');
159     end
160
161     % Adjust the axis scales
162     if toc < 300
163         xlim(app.UIAxes, [0, toc])
164     else
165         xlim(app.UIAxes, [toc-300, toc])
166     end
167     ylim(app.UIAxes, [260, 320])
168
169     % Add a legend
170     legend(app.UIAxes, 'Location', 'southeast');
171
172     % Draw the plot
173     drawnow;
174
175     end
176
177     % Callbacks that handle component events
178     methods (Access = private)
179
180         % Code that executes after component creation
181         function startupFcn(app)
182             app.arduino = serial('COM4', 'BaudRate', 9600);
183             fopen(app.arduino); % Open the serial port
184         end
185
186         % Value changed function: EnableSwitch
187         function EnableSwitchValueChanged(app, event)
188             value = app.EnableSwitch.Value;
189             if value == "On"
190                 %fprintf(app.arduino, "On\n")
191                 app.Lamp.Color = "green";
192                 app.PWMvalues = [];
193                 app.times = [];

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192         app.tempValues = [];
193         tic
194     else
195         %fprintf(apparduino, "Off\n")
196         app.Lamp.Color = [0.50,0.50,0.50];
197     end
198     while value == "On"
199         updatePlots(app);
200         value = app.EnableSwitch.Value;
201         %pause(1.5);
202     end
203 end
204
205 % Callback function
206 function SwitchModeValueChanged(app, event)
207
208 end
209
210 % Close request function: UIFigure
211 function UIFigureCloseRequest(app, event)
212     fclose(apparduino); % Close the serial port
213     delete(apparduino); % Delete the serial object
214     clear apparduino; % Clear the variable
215     delete(app)
216
217 end
218
219 % Value changed function: TargetTemperatureKnob
220 function TargetTemperatureKnobValueChanged(app, event)
221     value = app.TargetTemperatureKnob.Value;
222     % If the temp knob is adjusted, reset everything to 0/empty
223     app.PWMvalues = []; % list to store PWM values
224     app.tempValues = []; % list of temperature values
225     app.times = []; % list of times
226     app.PWM = 0; % current PWM value
227     app.errValues = []; % store all error values
228
229     targetTemp = app.TargetTemperatureKnob.Value;
230     if targetTemp > app.roomTemp
231         % Set initial PWM corresponding to target temp
232         app.PWM = (targetTemp-282.56)/0.39;
233     else
234         % Set initial PWM corresponding to target temp
235         app.PWM = -(targetTemp-285.93)/0.17;
236     end
237
238     % and restart the timer
239     tic;
240 end
241
242 % Changes arrangement of the app based on UIFigure width
243 function updateAppLayout(app, event)
244     currentFigureWidth = app.UIFigure.Position(3);
245     if(currentFigureWidth <= app.onePanelWidth)
246         % Change to a 2x1 grid
247         app.GridLayout.RowHeight = {480, 480};
248         app.GridLayout.ColumnWidth = {'1x'};
249         app.RightPanel.Layout.Row = 2;
250         app.RightPanel.Layout.Column = 1;
251     else
252         % Change to a 1x2 grid
253         app.GridLayout.RowHeight = {'1x'};
254         app.GridLayout.ColumnWidth = {224, '1x'};
255         app.RightPanel.Layout.Row = 1;
256         app.RightPanel.Layout.Column = 2;
257     end
258 end
259 end

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260
261 % Component initialization
262 methods (Access = private)
263
264 % Create UIFigure and components
265 function createComponents(app)
266
267 % Create UIFigure and hide until all components are created
268 app.UIFigure = uifigure('Visible', 'off');
269 app.UIFigure.AutoScaleChildren = 'off';
270 app.UIFigure.Position = [100 100 640 480];
271 app.UIFigure.Name = 'MATLAB App';
272 app.UIFigure.CloseRequestFcn = createCallbackFcn(app, @UIFigureCloseRequest,
true);
273 app.UIFigure.SizeChangedFcn = createCallbackFcn(app, @updateAppLayout, true);
274
275 % Create GridLayout
276 app.GridLayout = uigridlayout(app.UIFigure);
277 app.GridLayout.ColumnWidth = {224, '1x'};
278 app.GridLayout.RowHeight = {'1x'};
279 app.GridLayout.ColumnSpacing = 0;
280 app.GridLayout.RowSpacing = 0;
281 app.GridLayout.Padding = [0 0 0 0];
282 app.GridLayout.Scrollable = 'on';
283
284 % Create LeftPanel
285 app.LeftPanel = uipanel(app.GridLayout);
286 app.LeftPanel.Layout.Row = 1;
287 app.LeftPanel.Layout.Column = 1;
288
289 % Create PIDTemperatureControlLabel
290 app.PIDTemperatureControlLabel = uilabel(app.LeftPanel);
291 app.PIDTemperatureControlLabel.HorizontalAlignment = 'center';
292 app.PIDTemperatureControlLabel.FontSize = 24;
293 app.PIDTemperatureControlLabel.Position = [20 412 186 59];
294 app.PIDTemperatureControlLabel.Text = {'PID Temperature', 'Control'};
295
296 % Create EnableLabel
297 app.EnableLabel = uilabel(app.LeftPanel);
298 app.EnableLabel.Position = [17 346 42 22];
299 app.EnableLabel.Text = 'Enable';
300
301 % Create EnableSwitch
302 app.EnableSwitch = uiswitch(app.LeftPanel, 'slider');
303 app.EnableSwitch.ValueChangedFcn = createCallbackFcn(app,
@EnableSwitchValueChanged, true);
304 app.EnableSwitch.Position = [101 347 45 20];
305
306 % Create Lamp
307 app.Lamp = uilamp(app.LeftPanel);
308 app.Lamp.Position = [190 348 20 20];
309 app.Lamp.Color = [0.502 0.502 0.502];
310
311 % Create TargetTemperatureKnobLabel
312 app.TargetTemperatureKnobLabel = uilabel(app.LeftPanel);
313 app.TargetTemperatureKnobLabel.HorizontalAlignment = 'center';
314 app.TargetTemperatureKnobLabel.Position = [71 172 109 22];
315 app.TargetTemperatureKnobLabel.Text = 'Target Temperature';
316
317 % Create TargetTemperatureKnob
318 app.TargetTemperatureKnob = uiknob(app.LeftPanel, 'continuous');
319 app.TargetTemperatureKnob.Limits = [260 320];
320 app.TargetTemperatureKnob.ValueChangedFcn = createCallbackFcn(app,
@TargetTemperatureKnobValueChanged, true);
321 app.TargetTemperatureKnob.Position = [94 228 60 60];
322 app.TargetTemperatureKnob.Value = 285;
323
324 % Create PgainEditFieldLabel

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325     app.PgainEditFieldLabel = uilabel(app.LeftPanel);
326     app.PgainEditFieldLabel.HorizontalAlignment = 'right';
327     app.PgainEditFieldLabel.Position = [20 122 39 22];
328     app.PgainEditFieldLabel.Text = 'P gain';
329
330 % Create PgainEditField
331 app.PgainEditField = uieditfield(app.LeftPanel, 'text');
332 app.PgainEditField.HorizontalAlignment = 'center';
333 app.PgainEditField.Position = [74 122 100 22];
334 app.PgainEditField.Value = '0.1';
335
336 % Create IgainEditFieldLabel
337 app.IgainEditFieldLabel = uilabel(app.LeftPanel);
338 app.IgainEditFieldLabel.HorizontalAlignment = 'right';
339 app.IgainEditFieldLabel.Position = [25 82 34 22];
340 app.IgainEditFieldLabel.Text = 'I gain';
341
342 % Create IgainEditField
343 app.IgainEditField = uieditfield(app.LeftPanel, 'text');
344 app.IgainEditField.HorizontalAlignment = 'center';
345 app.IgainEditField.Position = [74 82 100 22];
346 app.IgainEditField.Value = '0.05';
347
348 % Create DgainEditFieldLabel
349 app.DgainEditFieldLabel = uilabel(app.LeftPanel);
350 app.DgainEditFieldLabel.HorizontalAlignment = 'right';
351 app.DgainEditFieldLabel.Position = [19 42 40 22];
352 app.DgainEditFieldLabel.Text = 'D gain';
353
354 % Create DgainEditField
355 app.DgainEditField = uieditfield(app.LeftPanel, 'text');
356 app.DgainEditField.HorizontalAlignment = 'center';
357 app.DgainEditField.Position = [74 42 100 22];
358 app.DgainEditField.Value = '0.1';
359
360 % Create RightPanel
361 app.RightPanel = uipanel(app.GridLayout);
362 app.RightPanel.Layout.Row = 1;
363 app.RightPanel.Layout.Column = 2;
364
365 % Create UIAxes
366 app.UIAxes = uiaxes(app.RightPanel);
367 title(app.UIAxes, 'Measured Temperature')
368 xlabel(app.UIAxes, 'Time (s)')
369 ylabel(app.UIAxes, 'Temperature (K)')
370 zlabel(app.UIAxes, 'Z')
371 app.UIAxes.Box = 'on';
372 app.UIAxes.Position = [6 244 405 228];
373
374 % Create UIAxes2
375 app.UIAxes2 = uiaxes(app.RightPanel);
376 title(app.UIAxes2, 'PWM')
377 xlabel(app.UIAxes2, 'Time (s)')
378 ylabel(app.UIAxes2, 'PWM')
379 zlabel(app.UIAxes2, 'Z')
380 app.UIAxes2.Box = 'on';
381 app.UIAxes2.Position = [6 6 405 219];
382
383 % Show the figure after all components are created
384 app.UIFigure.Visible = 'on';
385 end
386 end
387
388 % App creation and deletion
389 methods (Access = public)
390
391 % Construct app
392 function app = appPID

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393
394     % Create UIFigure and components
395     createComponents(app)
396
397     % Register the app with App Designer
398     registerApp(app, app.UIFigure)
399
400     % Execute the startup function
401     runStartupFcn(app, @startupFcn)
402
403     if nargout == 0
404         clear app
405     end
406
407
408     % Code that executes before app deletion
409     function delete(app)
410
411         % Delete UIFigure when app is deleted
412         delete(app.UIFigure)
413     end
414
415 end

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Listing 1: MATLAB Code

## 6.2 Arduino Code

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1 int TEMP_PIN = A0; // pin used to read the voltage across the thermistor
2 long R0 = 100000;
3 float R1 = 1600;
4 float T0 = 298;
5 float V0 = 5;
6 float B = 4540;
7
8 String mode = "Cool";
9 int PWMvalue = 0;
10
11 int PWM_pin_cold = 6;
12 int PWM_pin_hot = 5;
13
14 void setup() {
15     // put your setup code here, to run once:
16     Serial.begin(9600);
17     while(!Serial){
18         ;
19     }
20 }
21
22 void loop() {
23     float sensorValue = 0;
24     for (int i=0; i<100; i++){
25         sensorValue += analogRead(TEMP_PIN);
26     }
27     sensorValue = sensorValue/100;
28
29     // convert to voltage
30     float voltageMeasured = sensorValue*5/1023;
31     float RT = R1*(V0/(V0-voltageMeasured) - 1);
32     float Tinv = 1/T0 + 1/B*log(RT/R0);
33     float T = 1/Tinv;
34     Serial.println(T);
35
36     if (T<320){
37         String readValue = Serial.readStringUntil('\n');
38         if (readValue.startsWith("-")) {

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39     sscanf(readValue.c_str(), "-%d", &PWMvalue);
40     mode = "Cool";
41 } else {
42     sscanf(readValue.c_str(), "%d", &PWMvalue);
43     mode = "Heat";
44 }
45 if (mode == "Cool") {
46     analogWrite(PWM_pin_cold, PWMvalue);
47     analogWrite(PWM_pin_hot, 0);
48 } else {
49     analogWrite(PWM_pin_hot, PWMvalue);
50     analogWrite(PWM_pin_cold, 0);
51 }
52 } else {
53     analogWrite(PWM_pin_cold, 0);
54     analogWrite(PWM_pin_hot, 0);
55 }
56 }
57 }
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Listing 2: Arduino Code