

# A Design Study Approach to Classical Control

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## Homework D.a

Create a simulink animation of the mass-spring-damper system. The input should be a slider for  $z$ . Turn in a screen capture of the animation.

## Solution

The drawing function for the mass spring damper is listed below.

```
1 function drawMSD(u, P)
2
3     % process inputs to function
4     z      = u(1);
5     %zdot   = u(2);
6     t      = u(3);
7
8     % define persistent variables
9     persistent mass_handle
10    persistent spring_handle
11
12    % first time function is called, initialize plot and persistent
13    % vars
14    if t==0
15        figure(1), clf
16        plot([-P.length-P.length/5,2*P.length],[0,0],'k—'); % plot track
17        hold on
18        plot([-P.length, -P.length], [0, 2*P.width],'k'); % plot wall
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19         mass_handle = drawMass(z, P.width, P.length, []);
20         spring_handle = drawSpring(z, P.width, P.length, []);
21         axis([-P.length-P.length/5, 2*P.length, -P.length, 2*P.length]);
22
23         % at every other time step, redraw base and rod
24     else
25         drawMass(z, P.width, P.length, mass_handle);
26         drawSpring(z, P.width, P.length, spring_handle);
27         drawnow
28     end
29 end
30
31
32 %
33 %=====
34 % drawMass
35 % draw the mass
36 % return handle if 3rd argument is empty, otherwise use 3rd arg as
37 % handle
38 %=====
39 function handle = drawMass(z, w, L, handle)
40
41     X = [z-w/2, z+w/2, z+w/2, z-w/2];
42     Y = [0, 0, w, w];
43
44     if isempty(handle),
45         handle = fill(X,Y,'b');
46     else
47         set(handle,'XData',X,'YData',Y);
48     end
49 end
50
51 %
52 %=====
53 % drawSpring
54 % draw the cord
55 % return handle if 3rd argument is empty, otherwise use 3rd arg as
56 % handle
57 %=====
58 function handle = drawSpring(z, w, L, handle)
59
60     X = [-L, z-w/2];
61     Y = [w/2, w/2];
62
63     if isempty(handle),

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64     handle = plot(X, Y, 'g');  
65 else  
66     set(handle, 'XData',X, 'YData',Y);  
67 end  
68 end
```

The complete solution is given on the wiki associated with the book.