



ELEX 4336: Feedback Systems

LAB 6 – DC Motor, Gearbox and Encoder

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1 Calculation (Open-Loop System)

1.1 System Parameters

| Description | Datasheet Symbol | Symbol | Value | Unit |
|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Rated Voltage | V_r | V_{rated} | 24 | V |
| Rated Torque | T_r | T_{rated} | 0.5 | N·m |
| Rated Speed | ω | ω_{rated} | 366 | rpm |
| Motor Constant | K_T | k_m | 0.0458 | N·m/A |
| Resistance | R_{mt} | R_f | 2.49 | Ω |
| Inductance | L | L_f | 0.00263 | H |
| Rotor Inertia | J_r | J | 0.0000071 | kg·m ² |
| Friction Constant | - | b | 0.0130* | N·m·s |
| Gear Ratio | - | N | 11.5 | - |

$$* T = (Js + b)\omega, T_{rated} = b\omega_{rated}, b = \frac{T_{rated}}{\omega_{rated}} = \frac{(0.5 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})}{(366 \text{ rpm} \times \frac{2\pi}{1 \text{ rev}} \times \frac{1 \text{ min}}{60 \text{ s}})} \approx 0.0130 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}\cdot\text{s}$$

1.2 Transfer Functions

From these equations:

$$v_f(s) = (R_f + L_f s) \cdot I_f(s)$$

$$T(s) = k_m \cdot I_f(s)$$

$$T(s) = \omega(s)[Js + b]$$

Transfer functions of this system can be calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\omega(s)}{v_f(s)} &= \frac{k_m}{n(R_f + L_f s)(Js + b)} = \frac{k_m}{nJL_f s^2 + n(JR_f + bL_f)s + nbR_f} \\ &= \frac{0.0458}{\left(2.15 \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A}}\right) s^2 + \left(5.98 \cdot 10^{-4} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A} \cdot \text{sec}}\right) s + (3.74 \cdot 10^{-1} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A} \cdot \text{sec}^2})} \\ \frac{\theta(s)}{v_f(s)} &= \frac{\omega(s)}{v_f(s)} \cdot \frac{1}{s} = \frac{k_m}{ns(R_f + L_f s)(Js + b)} = \frac{k_m}{nJL_f s^3 + n(JR_f + bL_f)s^2 + nbR_f s} \\ &= \frac{0.0458}{\left(2.15 \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A}}\right) s^3 + \left(5.98 \cdot 10^{-4} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A} \cdot \text{sec}}\right) s^2 + (3.74 \cdot 10^{-1} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A} \cdot \text{sec}^2}) s} \end{aligned}$$

2 Open-Loop System Step Response (MATLAB)

2.1 MATLAB Code

```
% Plot the step response of the open-loop system in MATLAB

% system parameters
Vrated = 24; % V
Trated = 0.5; % N*m
Wrated = 366; % rpm
km = 0.0458; % N*m/A
Rf = 2.49; % Ohms
Lf = 2.63E-3; % H
J = 0.0000071; % kg*m^2
b = Trated / (Wrated * 2*pi / 60); % N*m*s
n = 11.5; % dimensionless

% transfer functions
sys1 = tf([km], [n*J*Lf n*(J*Rf+b*Lf) n*b*Rf]); % angular velocity output
sys2 = tf([km], [n*J*Lf n*(J*Rf+b*Lf) n*b*Rf 0]); % position output

% calculate and save step response for angular velocity output
t = 0:7E-6:7E-3;
x = step(tf(Vrated, 1), t); % step input
[out, t] = lsim(sys1, x, t);
save('open-loop_ang-vel.mat', 't', 'x', 'out');

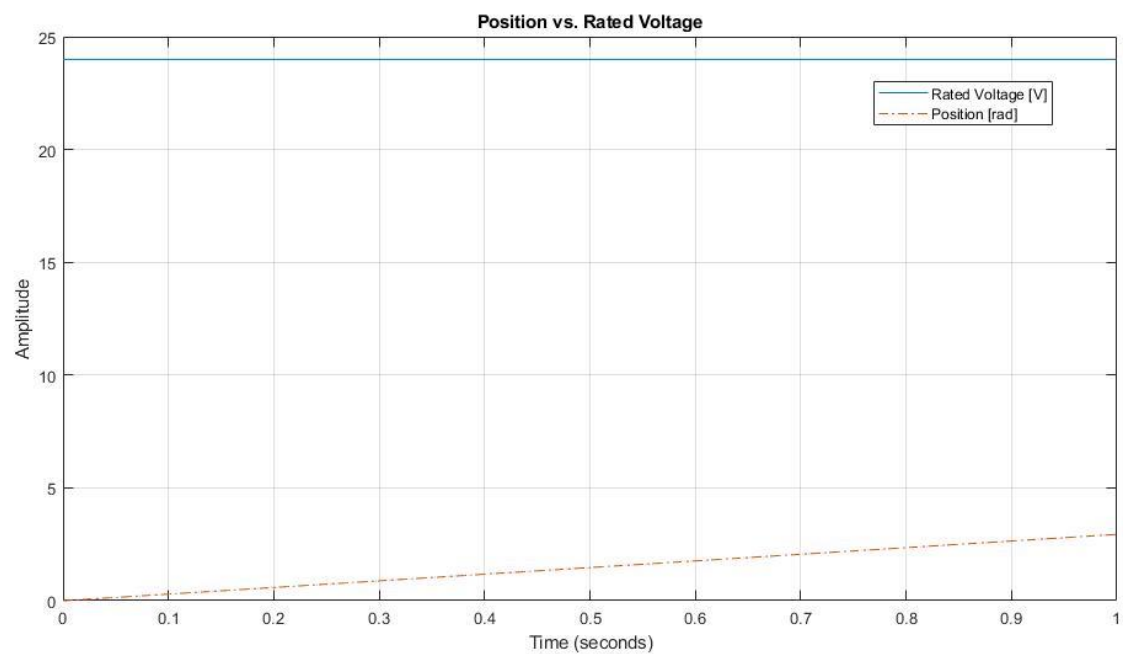
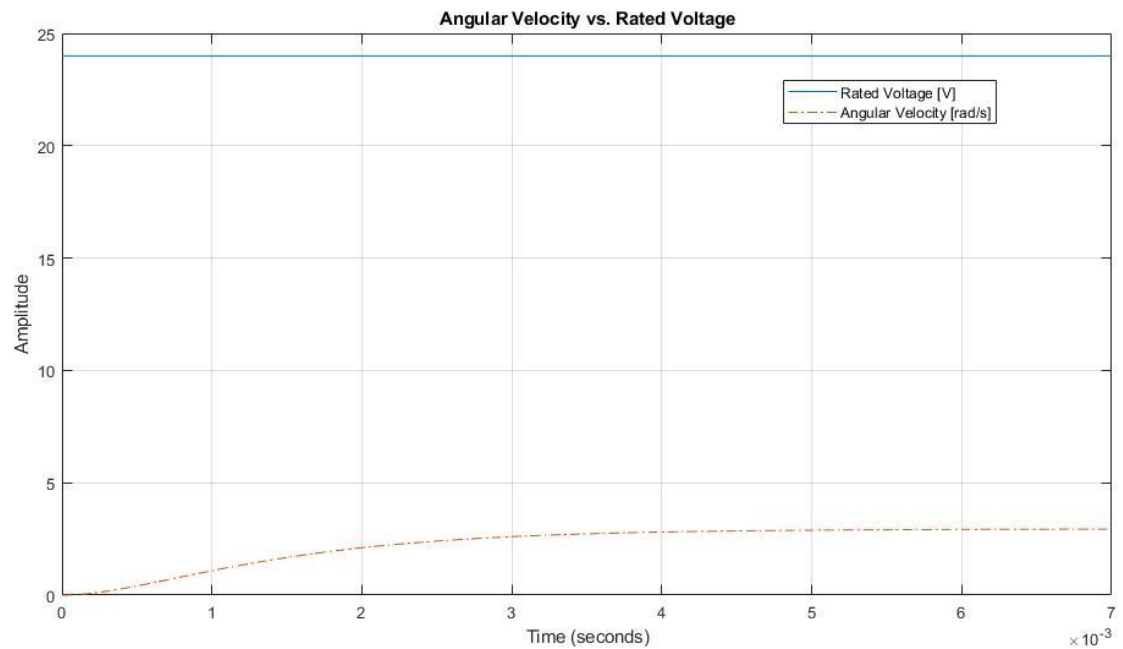
% calculate and save step response for angular position output
t = 0:0.001:1;
x = step(tf(Vrated, 1), t); % step input
[out, t] = lsim(sys2, x, t);
save('open-loop_pos.mat', 't', 'x', 'out');

% plot the step response for angular velocity output
figure(1);
load open-loop_ang-vel;
plot(t, x, '-', t, out, '-.');
ylabel('Amplitude');
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
title('Angular Velocity vs. Rated Voltage');
legend('Rated Voltage [V]', 'Angular Velocity [rad/s]');
grid on;

% plot the step response for angular position output
figure(2);
load open-loop_pos;
plot(t, x, '-', t, out, '-.');
ylabel('Amplitude');
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
title('Position vs. Rated Voltage');
legend('Rated Voltage [V]', 'Position [rad]');
grid on;
```

2.2 MATLAB Plot

Input/output signals and time of the system step response saved as .mat files:

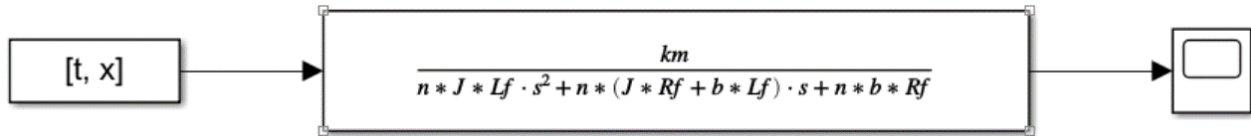


Plots were generated using the transfer functions with 24 V (rated voltage) step input

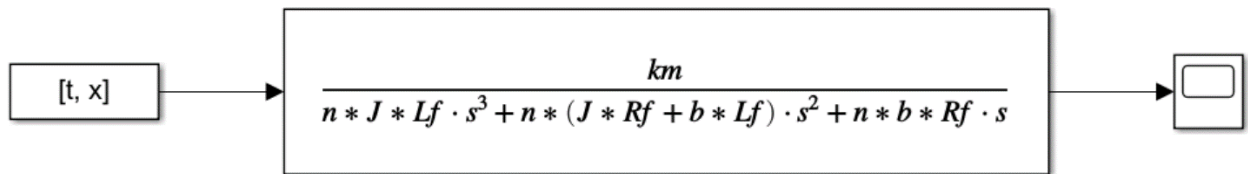
3 Open-Loop System Step Response (Simulink)

3.1 Simulink Model

Model for angular velocity output:

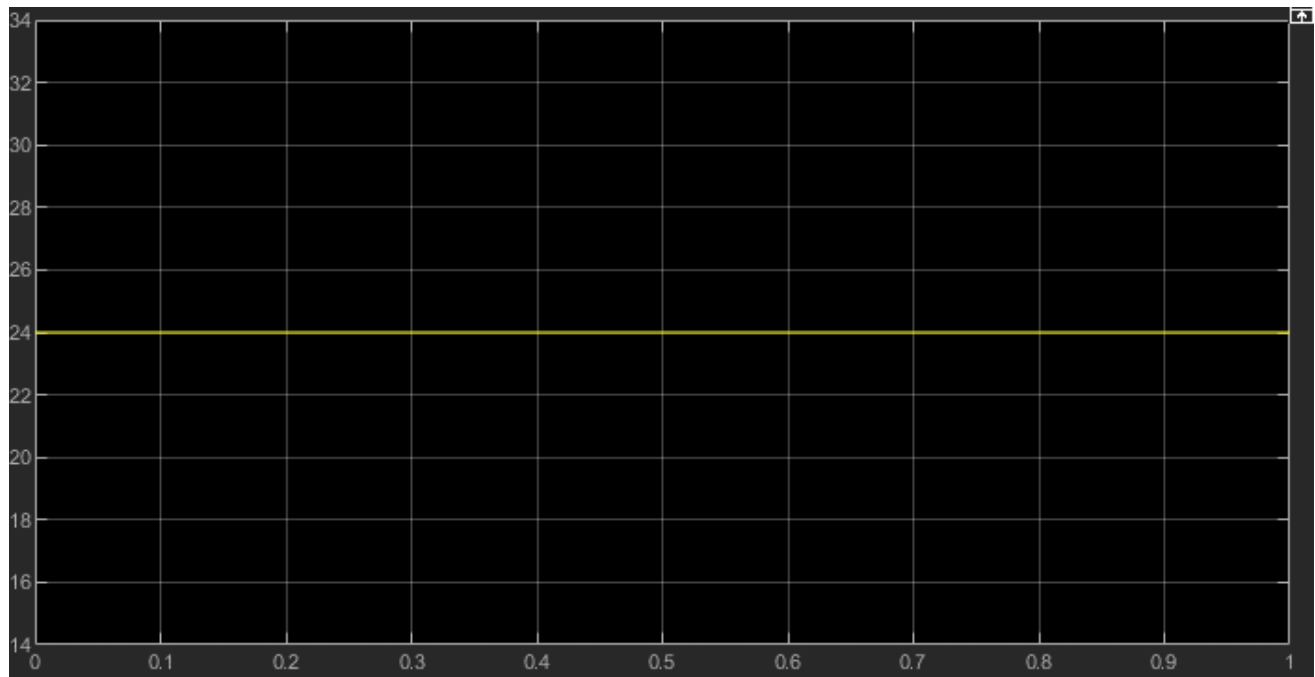


Model for angular position output:

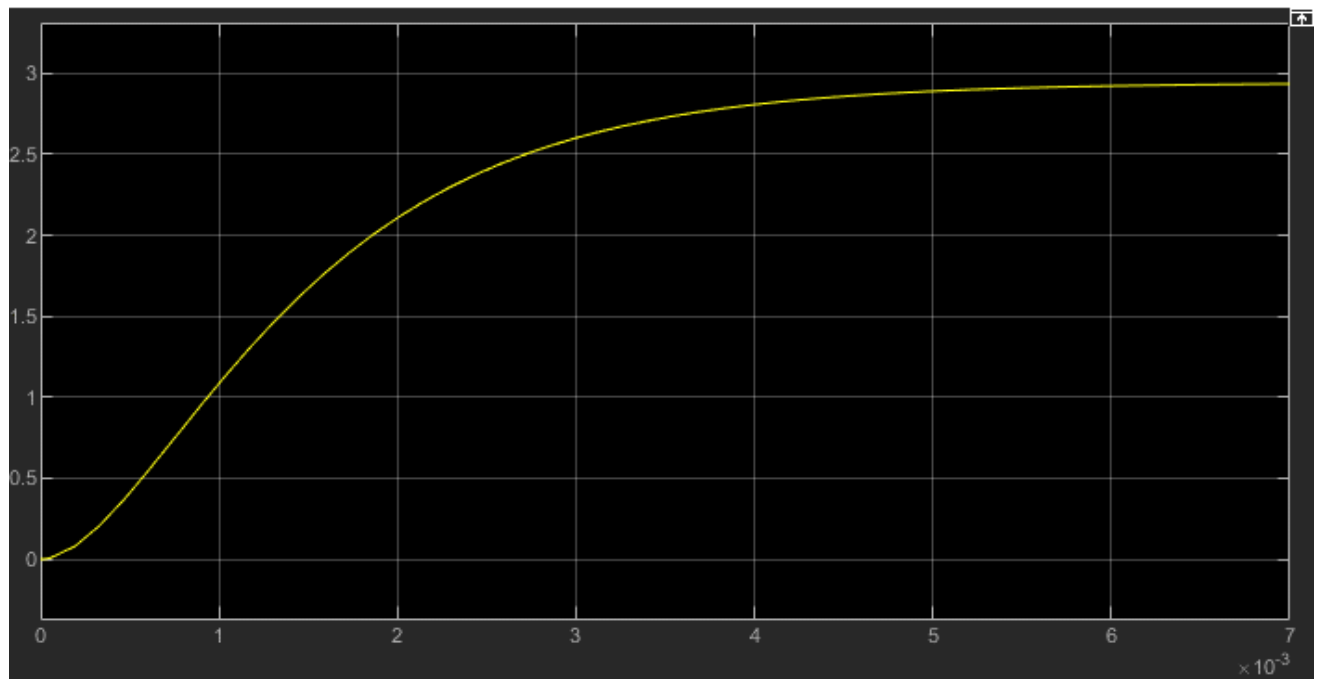


3.2 Simulink Scope

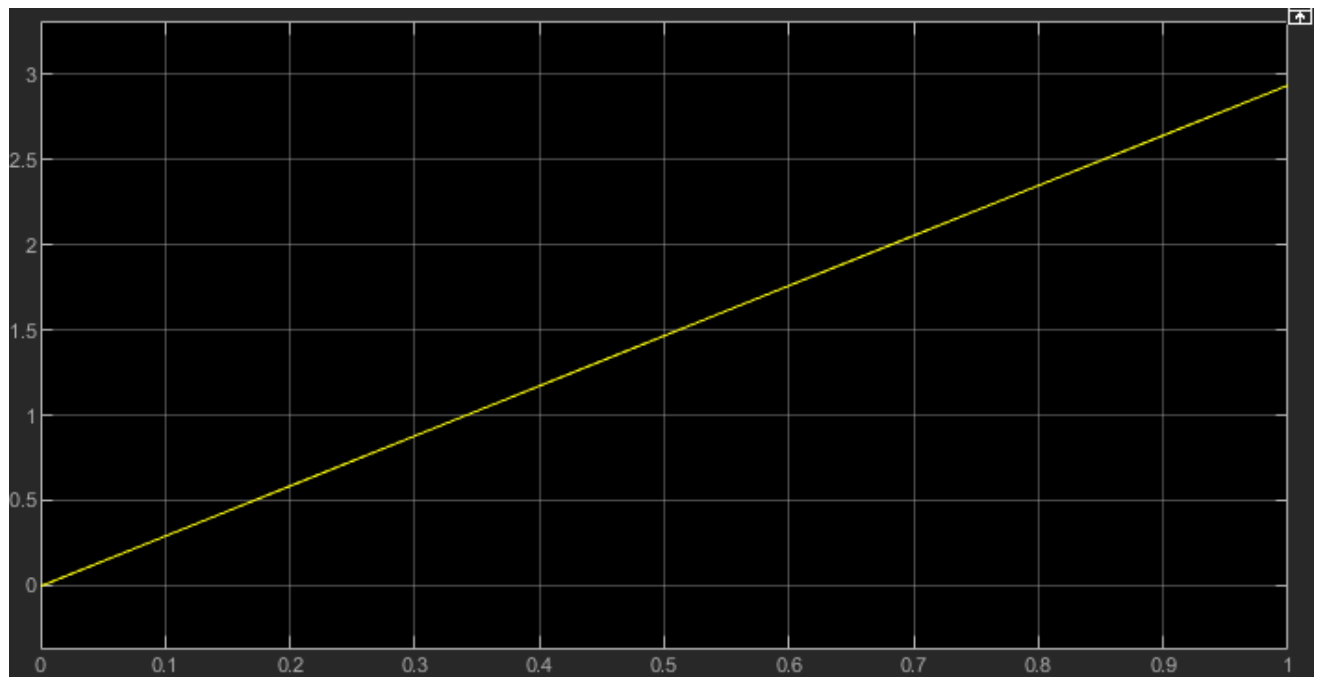
Plot of voltage step input:



Plot of angular velocity output:



Plot of angular position output:



4 Open-Loop Transfer Function Approximation (1st Order)

4.1 MATLAB Code

```
% Model Equation:  $T(s) = K / (\tau s + 1)$ 
% Approximate the angular velocity as first order system
% using a sample input-output data

load open-loop_ang-vel;

% Array indices
idxStart = 1;
idxEnd = 1001;

% Calculate zero means
Input = x(idxStart:idxEnd);
Output = out(idxStart:idxEnd);

% Find best fit K and tau
K = 0;
tau = 0;
minSSE = -1;

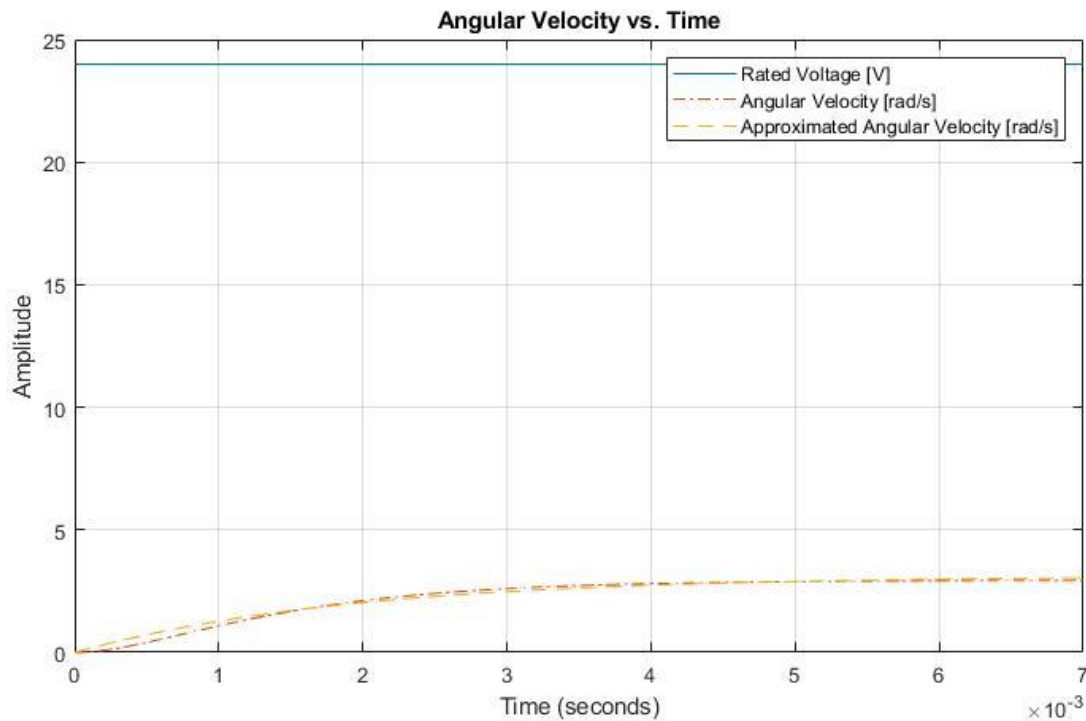
for kTest = 0.12:0.001:0.14
    for tauTest = 0.0018:0.00001:0.0020
        sys = tf([kTest], [tauTest 1]);
        OutputSim = lsim(sys, Input, t(idxStart:idxEnd));
        SSE = sum((Output - OutputSim) .^ 2);

        if minSSE == -1
            minSSE = SSE;
            K = kTest;
            tau = tauTest;
        elseif SSE < minSSE
            minSSE = SSE;
            K = kTest;
            tau = tauTest;
        end
    end
end

% Calculated internal temperature
sys = tf([K], [tau 1]);
OutputSim = lsim(sys, Input, t(idxStart:idxEnd));

% Plot the data
figure(3);
t = t(idxStart:idxEnd);
plot(t, Input, '-', t, Output, '-.', t, OutputSim, '--');
ylabel('Amplitude');
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
title('Angular Velocity vs. Time');
legend('Rated Voltage [V]', 'Angular Velocity [rad/s]', 'Approximated Angular Velocity [rad/s]');
grid on;
```

4.2 MATLAB Plot



4.3 Description

The transfer function for the system was approximated using a first order model:

$$T(s) = \frac{k}{\tau s + 1}$$

I approximated the transfer function by manually narrowing down the range of the test parameters:

| k | | | τ | | | k | τ | SSE | Time taken (s) |
|------|-------|------|--------|---------|---------|------|--------|--------|----------------|
| Min | Step | Max | Min | Step | Max | | | | |
| 0 | 0.1 | 3 | 3 | 1000 | 2000000 | 0.1 | 0 | 5922.5 | 17.034 |
| 0 | 0.1 | 3 | 3 | 10 | 1000 | 0.1 | 0 | 5921.1 | 9.902 |
| 0 | 0.1 | 3 | 3 | 0.1 | 10 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 5786.8 | 8.971 |
| 0 | 0.1 | 3 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.01 | 1242 | 2.753 |
| 0 | 0.1 | 2 | 2 | 0.0001 | 0.01 | 0.2 | 0.0049 | 136.86 | 6.637 |
| 0 | 0.01 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0001 | 0.005 | 0.13 | 0.0019 | 15.3 | 5.727 |
| 0.12 | 0.001 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.00001 | 0.002 | 0.13 | 0.0019 | 15.3 | 1.97 |

The transfer function of the system was approximated as first order model using similar method that was used in Lab 5. Previously, I have been iterating through wide range of test parameters in a high resolution for double nested loop; it took over 40 minutes to approximate the function.

This time, I tried to reduce the iteration time by manually narrowing down the range of the test parameters. I started with reasonable ranges of k and τ in low resolutions. Then I increased the accuracy and the precision of the approximation by increasing the resolution.

The errors for the approximation was calculated using below expressions:

$$E(t) = \omega(t) - \omega_{approx}(t)$$

$$SSE = \sum_{k=0}^T [(E(k))^2]$$

5 Open-Loop Transfer Function Approximation (2nd Order)

5.1 MATLAB Code

```
% Model Equation:  $T(s) = K\omega^2 / (s^2 + 2\zeta\omega s + \omega^2)$ 
% Approximate the angular velocity as second order system
% using a sample input-output data

load open-loop_ang-vel;

% Array indices
idxStart = 1;
idxEnd = 1001;

% Calculate zero means
Input = x(idxStart:idxEnd);
Output = out(idxStart:idxEnd);

% Find best fit K and tau
K = 0; %0.125;
zeta = 0; %2.1;
omega = 0; %1318;
minSSE = -1;

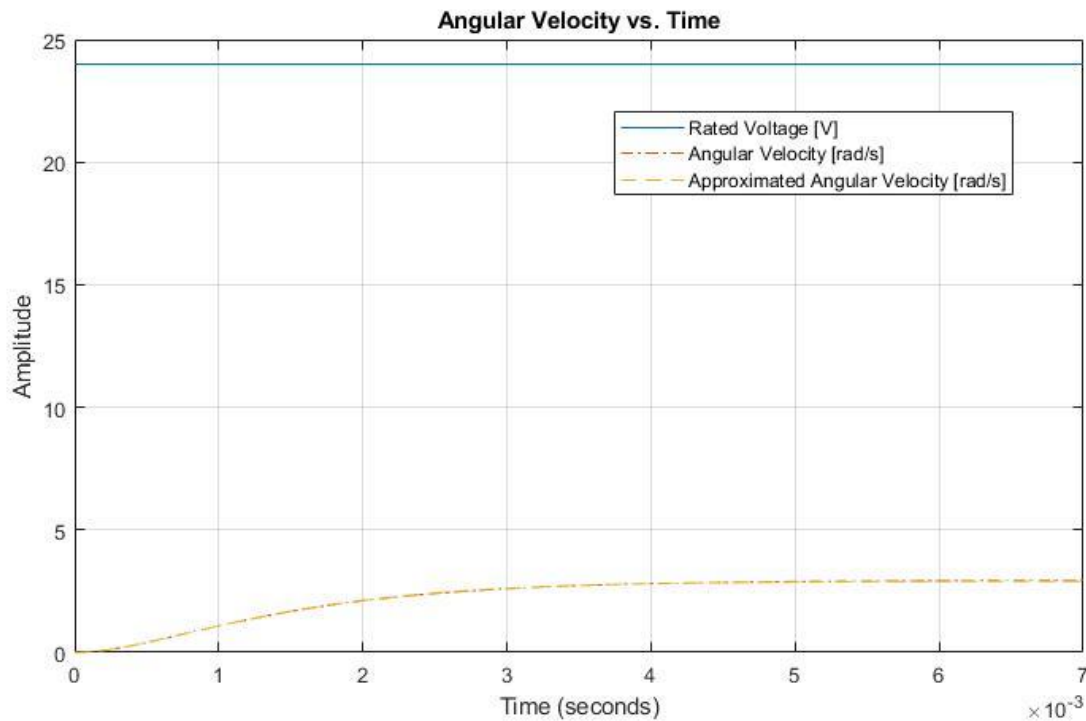
for kTest = 0.12:0.001:0.14
    for zetaTest = 1:0.1:3
        for omegaTest = 1000:100:2000
            sys = tf([kTest*omegaTest^2], [1 2*zetaTest*omegaTest omegaTest^2]);
            OutputSim = lsim(sys, Input, t(idxStart:idxEnd));
            SSE = sum((Output - OutputSim) .^ 2);

            if minSSE == -1
                minSSE = SSE;
                K = kTest;
                zeta = zetaTest;
                omega = omegaTest;
            elseif SSE < minSSE
                minSSE = SSE;
                K = kTest;
                zeta = zetaTest;
                omega = omegaTest;
            end
        end
    end
end

% Calculated internal temperature
sys = tf([K*omega^2], [1 2*zeta*omega omega^2]);
OutputSim = lsim(sys, Input, t(idxStart:idxEnd));

% Plot the data
figure(4);
t = t(idxStart:idxEnd);
plot(t, Input, '-', t, Output, '-.', t, OutputSim, '--');
ylabel('Amplitude');
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
title('Angular Velocity vs. Time');
legend('Rated Voltage [V]', 'Angular Velocity [rad/s]', 'Approximated Angular Velocity [rad/s]');
grid on;
```

5.2 MATLAB Plot



5.3 Description

The transfer function for the system was approximated using a first order model:

$$T(s) = \frac{k \cdot \omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

I approximated the transfer function by manually narrowing down the range of the test parameters:

| k | | | ζ | | | ω_n | | | k | ζ | ω_n | SSE | Time taken |
|------|-------|------|---------|------|-----|------------|-------|--------|-------|---------|------------|--------|------------|
| Min | Step | Max | Min | Step | Max | Min | Step | Max | | | | | |
| 0 | 0.1 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 100 | 0 | 20000 | 200000 | 0.2 | 100 | 40000 | 137.49 | 4.843 |
| 0.1 | 0.01 | 0.3 | 0 | 10 | 200 | 30000 | 1000 | 50000 | 0.13 | 40 | 42000 | 15.28 | 24.63 |
| 0.12 | 0.001 | 0.14 | 30 | 1 | 50 | 30000 | 1000 | 50000 | 0.130 | 38 | 40000 | 15.27 | 25.705 |
| 0.13 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0 | 2 | 40 | 0 | 1000 | 42000 | 0.13 | 2 | 2000 | 9.97 | 3.808 |
| 0.12 | 0.001 | 0.14 | 1 | 0.1 | 3 | 1000 | 100 | 2000 | 0.120 | 1.0 | 1300 | 0.33 | 15.103 |

The residual errors and SSE was calculated as shown in Step 4.

6 Calculation (Closed-Loop System)

6.1 Transfer Functions

From these equation:

$$T_{closed}(s) = \frac{T(s)}{1 + T(s)[3.11 \text{ V/rad}]}$$

New transfer functions for the closed-loop system can be calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\omega(s)}{v_f(s)} &= \frac{k_m}{nJL_f s^2 + n(JR_f + bL_f)s + nbR_f + (3.11 \text{ V/rad})k_m} \\ &= \frac{0.0458}{\left(2.15 \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A}}\right) s^2 + \left(5.98 \cdot 10^{-4} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A} \cdot \text{sec}}\right) s + (5.16 \cdot 10^{-1} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A} \cdot \text{sec}^2})} \\ \frac{\theta(s)}{v_f(s)} &= \frac{k_m}{nJL s^3 + n(JR_f + bL_f)s^2 + nbR_f s + (3.11 \text{ V/rad})k_m} \\ &= \frac{0.0458}{\left(2.15 \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A}}\right) s^3 + \left(5.98 \cdot 10^{-4} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A} \cdot \text{sec}}\right) s^2 + \left(3.74 \cdot 10^{-1} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A} \cdot \text{sec}^2}\right) s + (14.2 \cdot 10^{-1} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{A} \cdot \text{sec}^3})} \end{aligned}$$

7 Closed-Loop System Step Response (MATLAB)

7.1 MATLAB Code

```
% Plot the step response of the closed-loop system in MATLAB

% system parameters
Vrated = 24; % V
Trated = 0.5; % N*m
Wrated = 366; % rpm
km = 0.0458; % N*m/A
Rf = 2.49; % Ohms
Lf = 2.63E-3; % H
J = 0.0000071; % kg*m^2
b = Trated / (Wrated * 2*pi / 60); % N*m*s
n = 11.5; % dimensionless

% optical encoder feedback
H = 3.11 * km; % kg*m^2/A/s^3; 3.11 V/rad

% transfer functions
sys1 = tf([km], [n*J*Lf n*(J*Rf+b*Lf) n*b*Rf]);
sys1 = feedback(sys1, H, -1); % angular velocity output
sys2 = tf([km], [n*J*Lf n*(J*Rf+b*Lf) n*b*Rf 0]);
sys2 = feedback(sys2, H, -1); % angular position output

% calculate and save step response for angular velocity output
t = 0:7E-6:7E-3;
x = step(tf(Vrated, 1), t); % step input
[out, t] = lsim(sys1, x, t);
save('closed-loop_ang-vel.mat', 't', 'x', 'out');

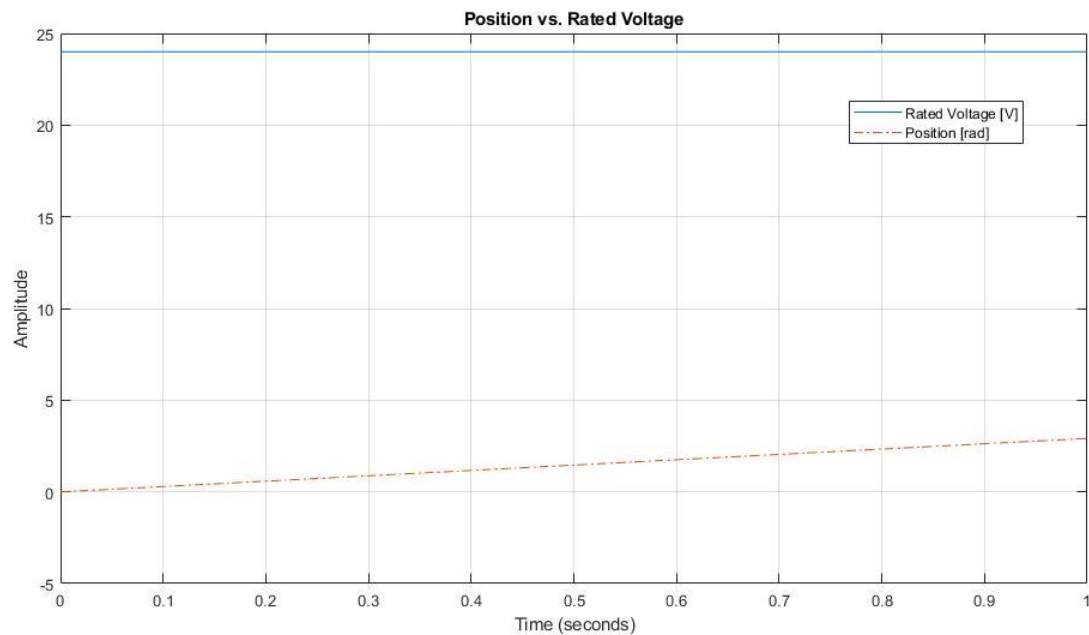
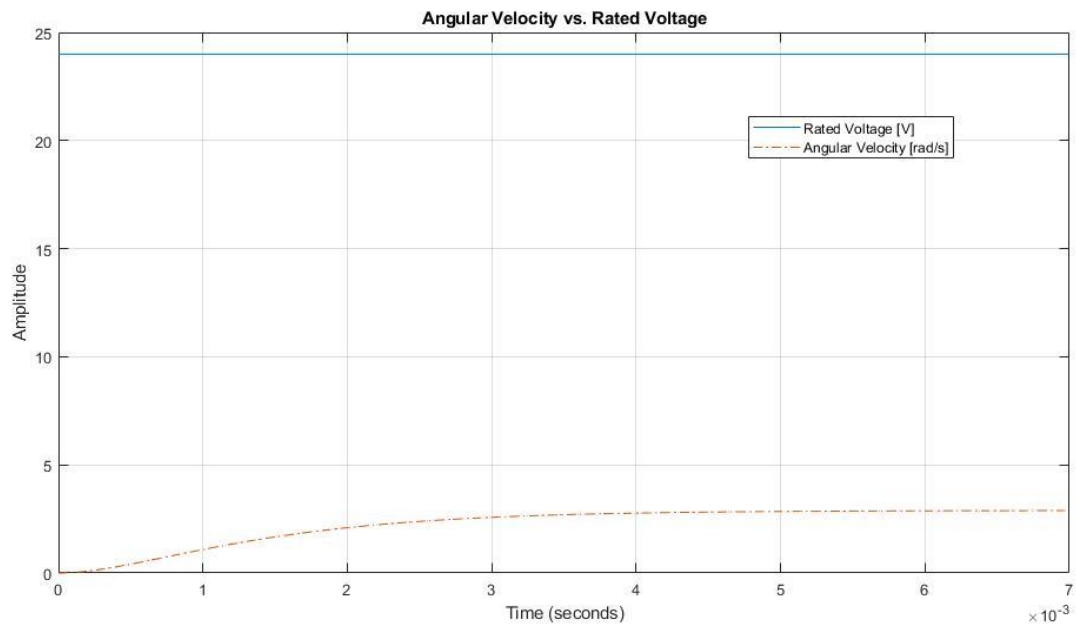
% calculate and save step response for angular position output
t = 0:0.001:1;
x = step(tf(Vrated, 1), t); % step input
[out, t] = lsim(sys2, x, t);
save('closed-loop_pos.mat', 't', 'x', 'out');

% plot the step response for angular velocity output
figure(1);
load closed-loop_ang-vel;
plot(t, x, '-', t, out, '-.');
ylabel('Amplitude');
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
title('Angular Velocity vs. Rated Voltage');
legend('Rated Voltage [V]', 'Angular Velocity [rad/s]');
grid on;

% plot the step response for position output
figure(2);
load closed-loop_pos;
plot(t, x, '-', t, out, '-.');
ylabel('Amplitude');
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
title('Position vs. Rated Voltage');
legend('Rated Voltage [V]', 'Position [rad]');
grid on;
```

7.2 MATLAB Plot

Input/output signals and time of the system step response saved as .mat files:

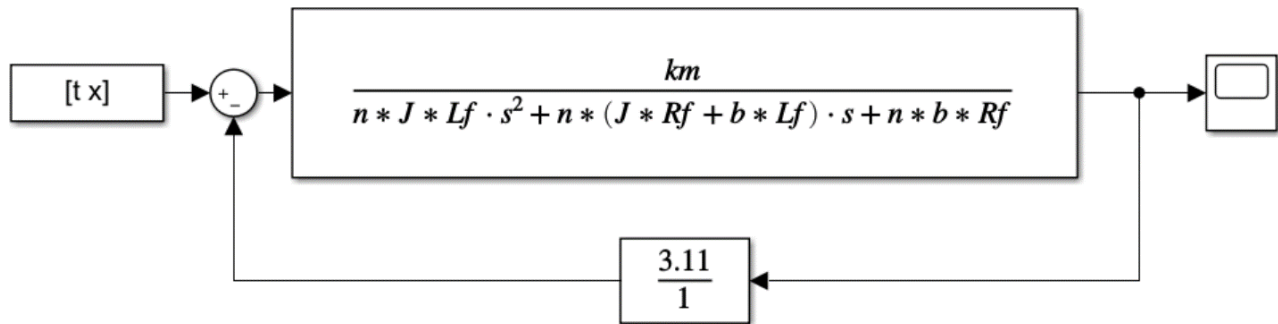


Plots were generated using the transfer functions with 24 V (rated voltage) step input

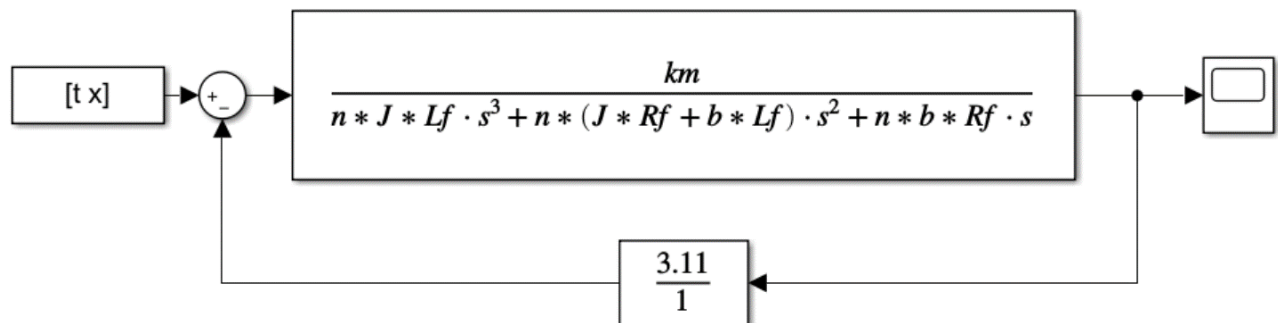
8 Closed-Loop System Step Response (Simulink)

8.1 Simulink Model

Model for angular velocity output:

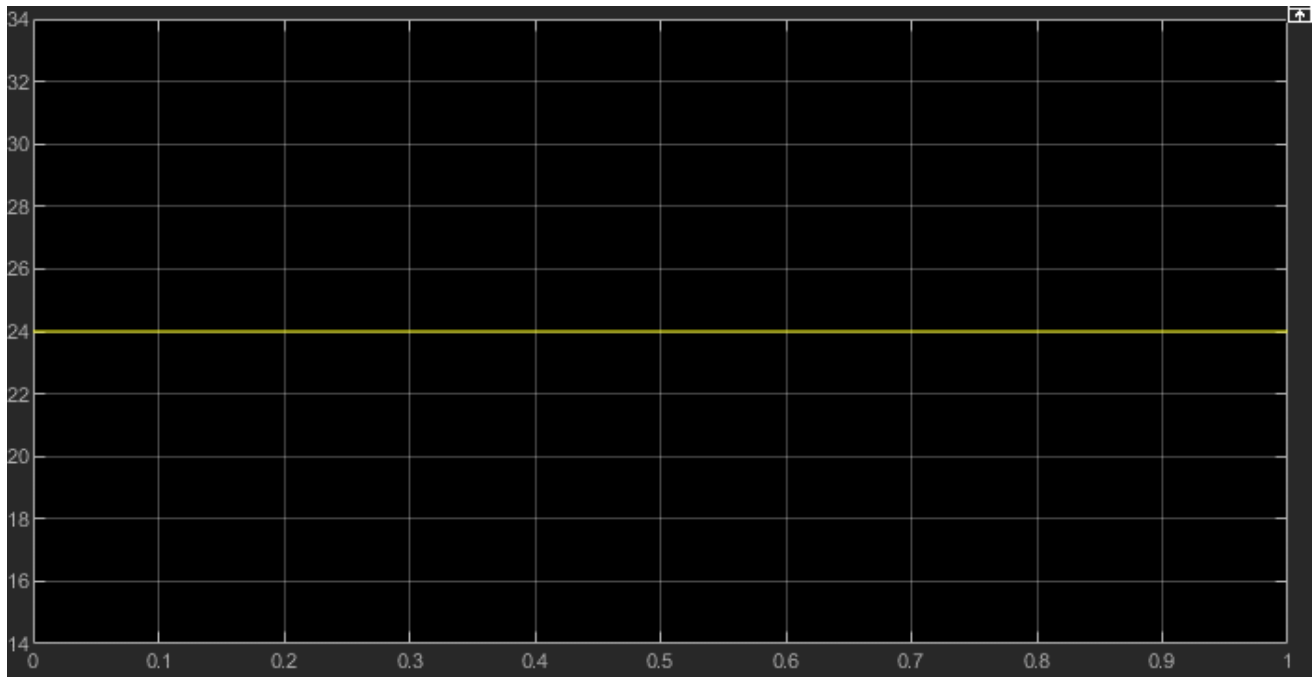


Model for angular position output:

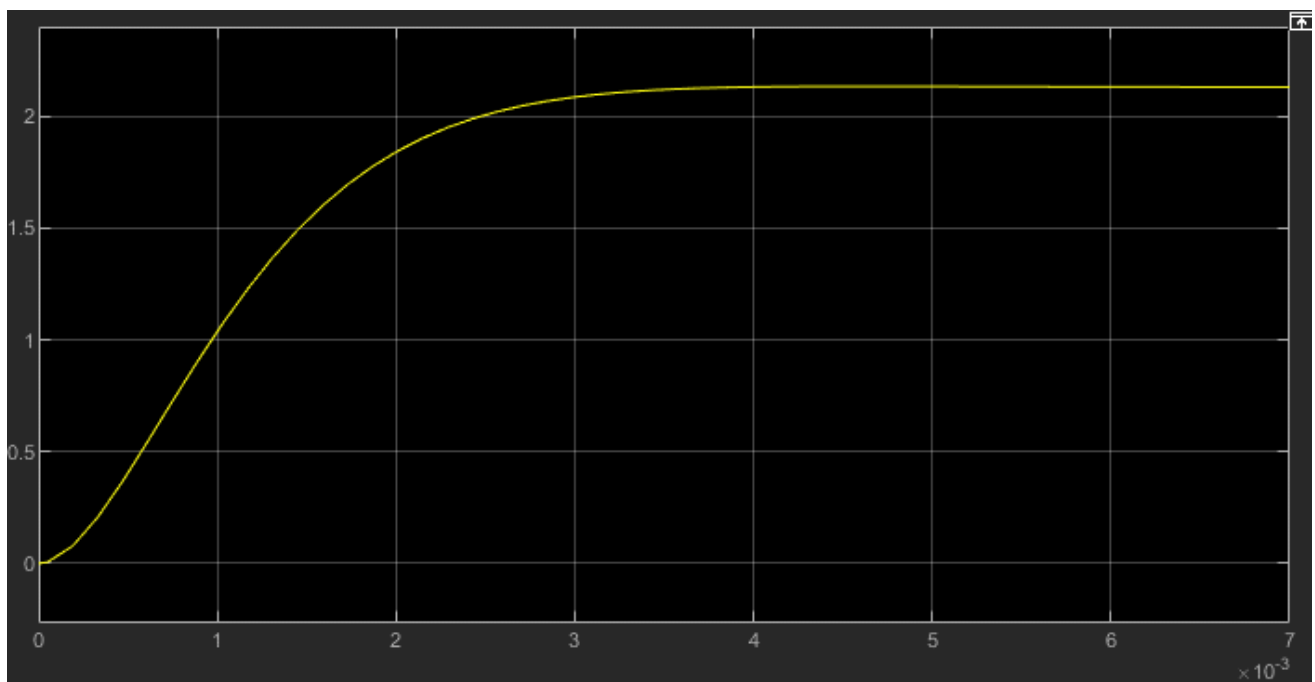


8.2 Simulink Scope

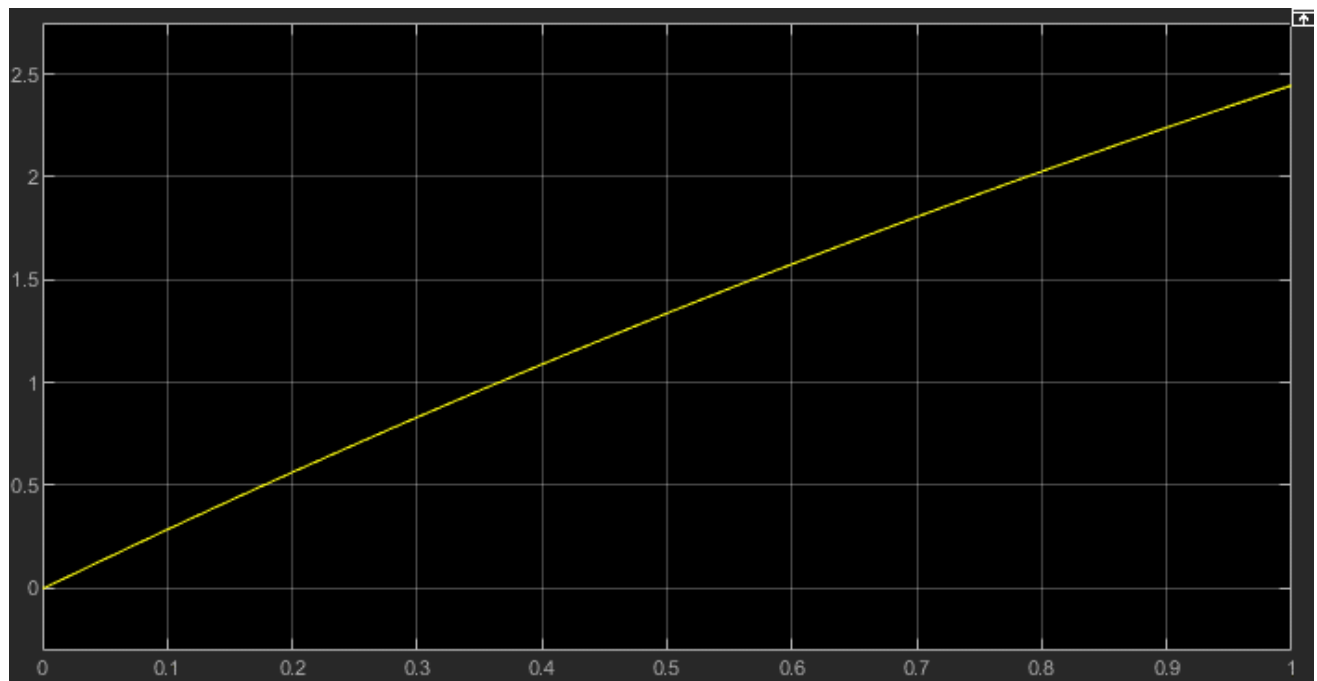
Plot of voltage step input:



Plot of angular velocity output:



Plot of angular position output:

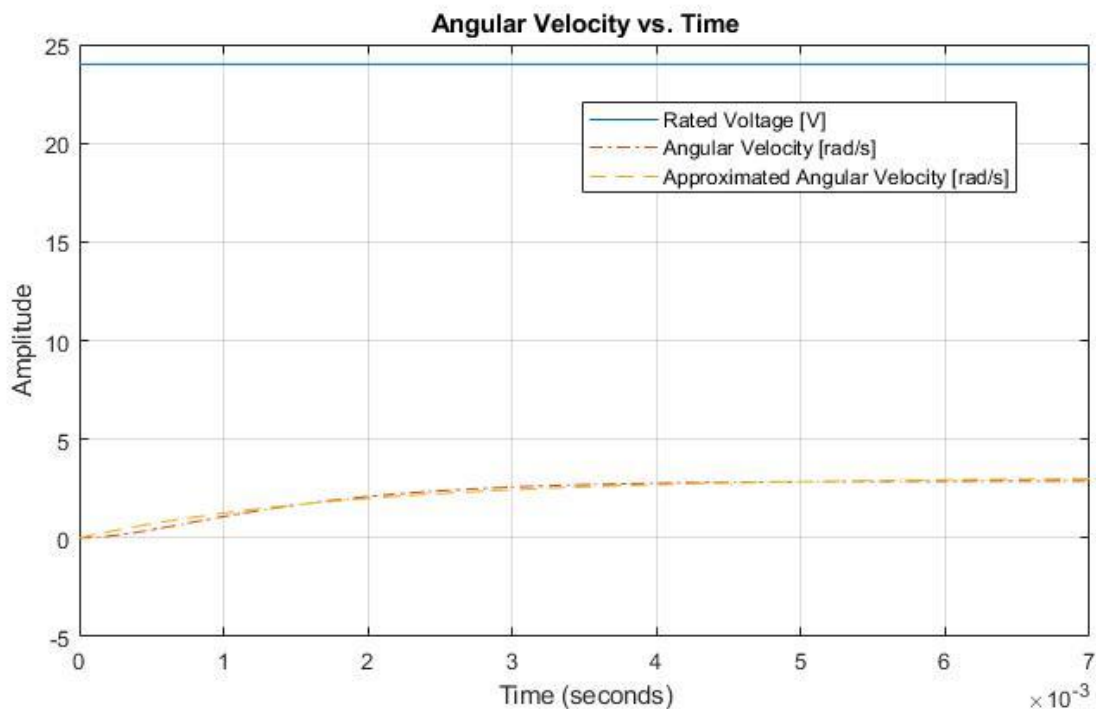


9 Closed-Loop Transfer Function Approximation (1st Order)

9.1 MATLAB Code

MATLAB Code for Step 4 was reused with different .mat file

9.2 MATLAB Plot



9.3 Description

The transfer function for the system was approximated as shown in Step 4.

I approximated the transfer function by manually narrowing down the range of the test parameters:

| k | | | τ | | | k | τ | SSE | Time taken (s) |
|------|-------|------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|----------------|
| Min | Step | Max | Min | Step | Max | | | | |
| 0 | 0.1 | 1 | 0 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.1 | 0 | 160.82 | 1.916 |
| 0 | 0.1 | 1 | 0 | 0.01 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.01 | 258.72 | 1.622 |
| 0 | 0.1 | 1 | 0 | 0.001 | 0.02 | 0.2 | 0.005 | 143.55 | 1.956 |
| 0.1 | 0.01 | 0.3 | 0.004 | 0.0001 | 0.006 | 0.17 | 0.004 | 98.87 | 1.754 |
| 0.1 | 0.01 | 0.3 | 0.002 | 0.0001 | 0.008 | 0.13 | 0.002 | 16.07 | 5.301 |
| 0.12 | 0.001 | 0.14 | 0.001 | 0.0001 | 0.003 | 0.128 | 0.0019 | 15.24 | 2.317 |

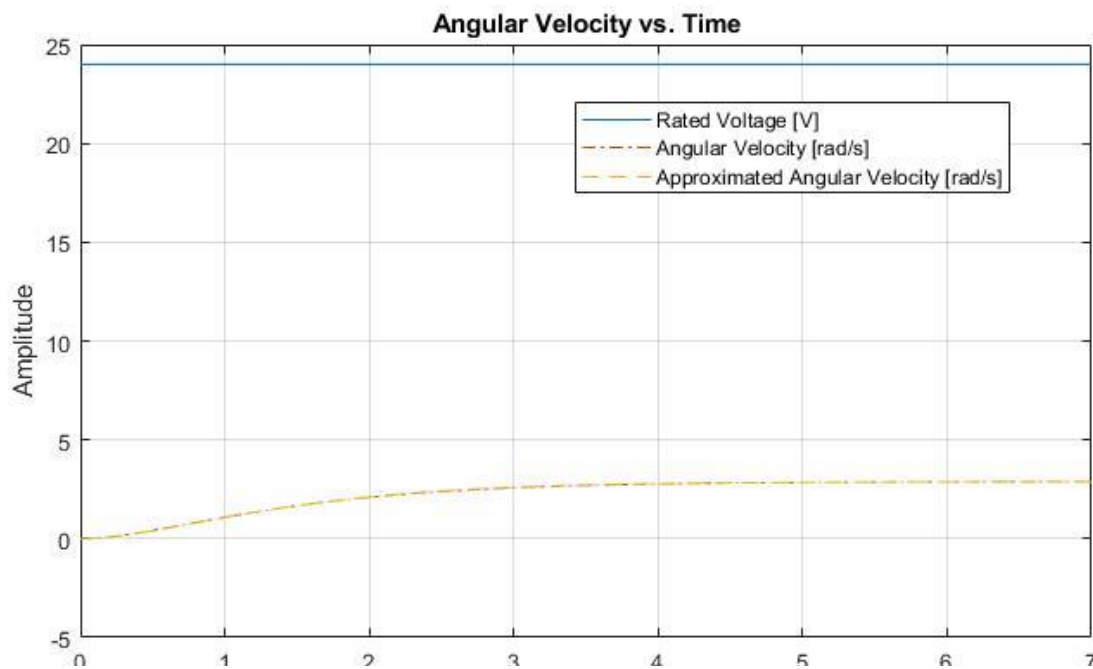
The residual errors and SSE was calculated as shown in Step 4.

10 Closed-Loop Transfer Function Approximation (2nd Order)

10.1 MATLAB Code

MATLAB Code for Step 5 was reused with different .mat file

10.2 MATLAB Plot



10.3 Description

The transfer function for the system was approximated as shown in Step 5.

I approximated the transfer function by manually narrowing down the range of the test parameters:

| k | | | ζ | | | ω_n | | | k | ζ | ω_n | SSE | Time taken |
|-----|------|-----|---------|------|-----|------------|------|------|------|---------|------------|--------|------------|
| Min | Step | Max | Min | Step | Max | Min | Step | Max | | | | | |
| 0.1 | 0.01 | 0.2 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 100 | 2000 | 0.12 | 1 | 1300 | 0.1321 | 10.049 |

The residual errors and SSE was calculated as shown in Step 4.