

# Recommended Assessment

## PD Position Control

### Understanding System Gains

1. When setting  $k_d = 0$  V/(rad/s) and varying the proportional gain  $k_p$  between 1 and 4, describe how varying  $k_p$  affects the response of the system.
2. When setting  $k_p = 2.5$  V/rad and varying the derivative gain  $k_d$  between 0 and 0.15, describe how varying  $k_d$  affects the response of the system.

### Calculating System Response

3. Compare the standard second order transfer function and the transfer function of the Qube-Servo 3 with a PD controller to find  $k_p$  and  $k_d$  in terms of  $\omega_n$  and  $\zeta$ .

$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \qquad \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{K \cdot k_p}{\tau s^2 + (1 + K \cdot k_d)s + K \cdot k_p}$$

4. For the response to have a peak time of 0.15s and a percent overshoot of 2.5%, calculate the natural frequency and damping ratio needed. Use the equations for peak time and percent overshoot.

*Hint:* You can use MATLAB's symbolic solve to calculate the values

<https://www.mathworks.com/help/symbolic/sym.solve.html#:~:text=Solve%20Polynomial%20and%20Return%20Real%20Solutions>

$$PO = 100 e^{\left(-\frac{\pi \zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}\right)} \qquad t_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_m \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$$

5. Use the Qube-Servo 3 model parameters  $K$  and  $\tau$ , found in any of the Modeling Labs to calculate the  $k_p$  and  $k_d$  control gains needed to satisfy the requirements of a peak time of 0.15s and a percent overshoot of 2.5%.

*NOTE:* If no modeling lab has been done, for Qube-Servo 3,  $K = 24$  and  $\tau = 0.1$  are good defaults if this equation needs to be used.

## Measuring System Response

6. Attach the system response for the  $k_p$  and  $k_d$  calculated in the previous question. What were the peak time and overshoot for your response? Do the results match the theoretical peak time and percent overshoot?
7. Give one reason why the calculated and actual responses don't match.
8. If the responses did not match, attach the response that more closely matches the desired peak time and percent overshoot after tuning  $k_p$  and  $k_d$ . Write down the  $k_p$  and  $k_d$  used to obtain the response.
9. Write down your thought process for tuning the control gains in the previous question.