

PID Controller Design with Pole Placement Method

Following is the symbolic math script to calculate the gain of the PID controller using the desired closed loop pole locations, also known as pole placement method.

```
clc, clear, clf;  
syms s Kp Ki Kd a b p1 p2 p3 K
```

Let us assume a system Transfer function without the PID controller

```
G = K / (s ^ 2 + a * s + b);
```

The characteristic equation of the closed loop system with PID controller

```
G_cs = collect((s ^ 2 + a * s + b) * s + K * (Kd * s ^ 2 + Kp * s + Ki), s)
```

$$G_cs = s^3 + (a + K Kd) s^2 + (b + K Kp) s + K Ki$$

Now let us assume the desired closed loop pole locations are -p1, -p2, and -p3, that make the desired characteristic equation as follows:

```
G_des = (s + p1) * (s + p2) * (s + p3);  
G_des = collect(G_des, s)
```

$$G_des = s^3 + (p_1 + p_2 + p_3) s^2 + (p_3 (p_1 + p_2) + p_1 p_2) s + p_1 p_2 p_3$$

Equating the coefficients of the characteristic equation of the closed loop system with PID controller and the desired characteristic equation, we get:

```
eq1 = coeffs(G_cs, s) == coeffs(G_des, s);  
% Solving the above equations, we get the values of Kp, Ki, and Kd as follows:  
sol = solve(eq1, [Kp, Ki, Kd])
```

```
sol = struct with fields:  
  Kp: (p1*p2 - b + p1*p3 + p2*p3)/K  
  Ki: (p1*p2*p3)/K  
  Kd: (p1 - a + p2 + p3)/K
```

```
Kp_s = simplify(sol.Kp)
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```
Kp_s =  

$$\frac{p_1 p_2 - b + p_1 p_3 + p_2 p_3}{K}$$

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Ki_s = simplify(sol.Ki)
```

```
Ki_s =  

$$\frac{p_1 p_2 p_3}{K}$$

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```
Kd_s = simplify(sol.Kd)
```

```
Kd_s =  

$$\frac{p_1 - a + p_2 + p_3}{K}$$

```

Example: Let us assume a system with the following transfer function and design a PID controller using pole placement method.

$$G(s) = \frac{5}{s^2 + 10s + 20}$$

```
clear s Kp Ki Kd a b p1 p2 p3
s = tf('s');
G = 5 / (s ^ 2 + 10 * s + 20)
```

G =

$$\frac{5}{s^2 + 10s + 20}$$

Continuous-time transfer function.
Model Properties

```
[num, den] = tfdata(G);
a = den{1}(2);
b = den{1}(3);
[~, ~, K] = zpndata(G);
zpk(G)
```

ans =

$$\frac{5}{(s+7.236)(s+2.764)}$$

Continuous-time zero/pole/gain model.
Model Properties

Let us design the controller with the Desired closed loop natural frequency, non-dominant pole

```
omega_n = 3;
p3 = 10 * omega_n;
i = 1;

for eta = 0.5:0.1:1
    p1 = (eta * omega_n + sqrt(1 - eta ^ 2) * omega_n * 1i);
    p2 = (eta * omega_n - sqrt(1 - eta ^ 2) * omega_n * 1i);

    Kp(i, :) = double(subs(Kp_s)); %#ok<*SAGROW>
    Ki(i, :) = double(subs(Ki_s));
    Kd(i, :) = double(subs(Kd_s));
    p1_n(i, :) = p1;
    p2_n(i, :) = p2;
    p3_n(i, :) = p3;
    zeta_n(i, :) = eta;
    C = pid(Kp(i, :), Ki(i, :), Kd(i, :));
```

Now let us check the step response of the closed loop system with the designed PID controller.

```
sys_cl = feedback(C * G, 1);
figure(1)
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hold on
step(sys_cl)
grid on

```

Now let us check the frequency response of the open loop system with the designed PID controller.

```

figure(2)
hold on
margin(C * G)
grid on
[Gm(i, :), Pm(i, :), Wpc(i, :), Wgc(i, :)] = margin(C * G);
fprintf('Gain Margin: %.2f dB at Frequency: %.2f rad/s\n', db(Gm(i, :)),
Wpc(i, :));
fprintf('Phase Margin: %.2f degrees at Frequency: %.2f rad/s\n', Pm(i, :),
Wgc(i, :));
fprintf('The closed Loop system for zeta = %f', zeta_n(i, :))
display(zpk(feedback(G*C,1)))
figure(3), hold on;
np = nyquistplot(C * G);
i = i + 1;
end

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Gain Margin: Inf dB at Frequency: NaN rad/s
Phase Margin: 106.74 degrees at Frequency: 21.33 rad/s
The closed Loop system for zeta = 0.500000
ans =

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23 (s^2 + 3.435s + 11.74)
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(s+30) (s^2 + 3s + 9)

```

```

Continuous-time zero/pole/gain model.
Model Properties
Gain Margin: Inf dB at Frequency: NaN rad/s
Phase Margin: 104.46 degrees at Frequency: 22.13 rad/s
The closed Loop system for zeta = 0.600000
ans =

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23.6 (s^2 + 4.11s + 11.44)
-----
(s+30) (s^2 + 3.6s + 9)

```

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Continuous-time zero/pole/gain model.
Model Properties
Gain Margin: Inf dB at Frequency: NaN rad/s
Phase Margin: 102.44 degrees at Frequency: 22.92 rad/s
The closed Loop system for zeta = 0.700000
ans =

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24.2 (s^2 + 4.752s + 11.16)
-----
(s+30) (s^2 + 4.2s + 9)

```

```

Continuous-time zero/pole/gain model.
Model Properties
Gain Margin: Inf dB at Frequency: NaN rad/s
Phase Margin: 100.63 degrees at Frequency: 23.71 rad/s
The closed Loop system for zeta = 0.800000
ans =

```

$$\frac{24.8 (s^2 + 5.363s + 10.89)}{(s+30) (s^2 + 4.8s + 9)}$$

Continuous-time zero/pole/gain model.

Model Properties

Gain Margin: Inf dB at Frequency: NaN rad/s

Phase Margin: 99.02 degrees at Frequency: 24.49 rad/s

The closed Loop system for zeta = 0.900000

ans =

$$\frac{25.4 (s^2 + 5.945s + 10.63)}{(s+30) (s^2 + 5.4s + 9)}$$

Continuous-time zero/pole/gain model.

Model Properties

Gain Margin: Inf dB at Frequency: NaN rad/s

Phase Margin: 97.57 degrees at Frequency: 25.26 rad/s

The closed Loop system for zeta = 1.000000

ans =

$$\frac{26 (s+3.672) (s+2.828)}{(s+30) (s+3)^2}$$

Continuous-time zero/pole/gain model.

Model Properties

```
legendLabels = arrayfun(@(x) sprintf('\zeta= %.2f', x), zeta_n,
'UniformOutput', false);
figure(1), legend(legendLabels, Location = "best"), hold off;
title('Step Response')
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figure(2), legend(legendLabels, Location = "eastoutside"), hold off;
title('Frequency Response');
```

```
figure(3), legend(legendLabels, Location = "best"), hold off;
np.XLim = [-1.1, 1.1];
np.YLim = [-1.3, 1.2];
np.Characteristics.AllStabilityMargins.Visible = 'on';
grid("on")
title('Nyquist Plot');
```

```
tab = table(zeta_n, [p1_n, p2_n, p3_n], Kp, Ki, Kd, Gm, Pm, Wpc, Wgc, ...
'VariableNames', {'Damping Ratio', 'Desired Closed Loop Poles', 'Kp', 'Ki',
'Kd', 'GM_dB', 'PM_deg', 'w_gc', 'w_pc'})
```

```
tab = 6x9 table
```

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	Damping Ratio	Desired Closed Loop Poles
		1
1	0.5000	$1.5000 + 2.5981i$
2	0.6000	$1.8000 + 2.4000i$
3	0.7000	$2.1000 + 2.1424i$
4	0.8000	$2.4000 + 1.8000i$
5	0.9000	$2.7000 + 1.3077i$
6	1	$3.0000 + 0.0000i$