

Assignment_1

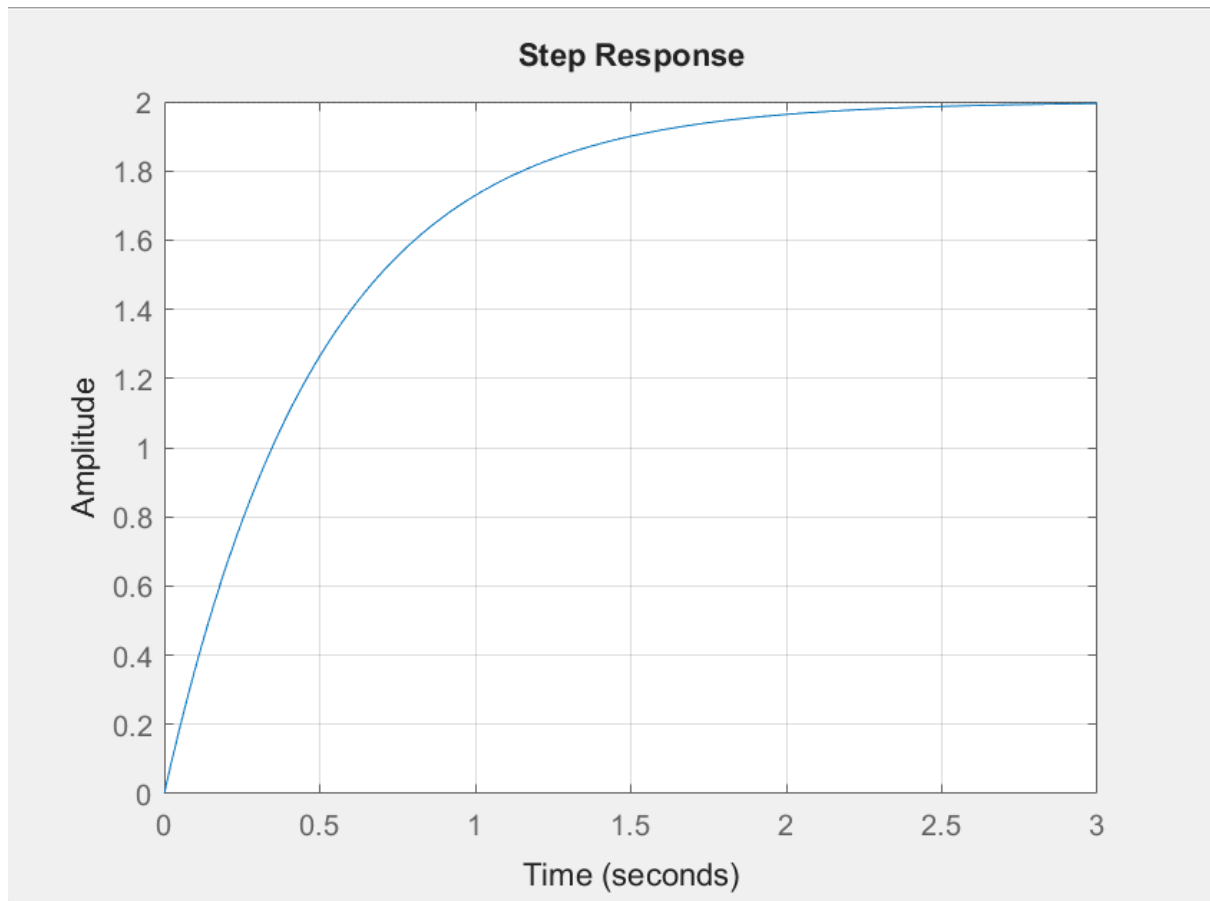
Smart throttle Control

Q1. Understanding a First-Order Plant Using Step Response

Consider the first-order plant:

$$G(s) = \frac{4}{s+2}$$

1. Plot the unit step response in MATLAB.



2. Using the plot or `stepinfo`, determine:

- Time constant τ
- Rise time t_r
- Settling time t_s
- Final value (using Final Value Theorem)
- Steady-state error e_{ss}

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RiseTime: 1.0985
TransientTime: 1.9560
SettlingTime: 1.9560
SettlingMin: 1.8090
SettlingMax: 1.9987

Overshoot: 0
Undershoot: 0
Peak: 1.9987
PeakTime: 3.6611
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Final Value=2

3. Compare MATLAB's final value with:

$$y_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \cdot G(s) \cdot \frac{1}{s}.$$

$$Y_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{4s}{s^2 + 2s} = \frac{4s}{2s} = 2$$

The steady state value is same as the DC gain of transfer function.

Q2. System Type, Step Error, and Final Value Theorem

Given the plant:

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

1. Identify the **system type** (count the number of integrators).

Type-1 system as there is only one integrator ($s=0$)

2. Using the Final Value Theorem, find the steady-state error to a unit step:

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \left(\frac{1}{s} - G(s) \frac{1}{s} \right).$$

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2) b)

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{G(s)}{s} \right)$$
$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} (1 - G(s)) = (1 - \infty)$$

so it can be taken that:

$$\boxed{e_{ss} = 0} \text{ as multiplication}$$

c) we consider closed-loop system
(as it is unstable for an open-loop system)

$$E(s) = R(s) - Y(s)$$
$$E(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{G(s)}$$
$$\frac{Y(s)}{G(s)} = R(s) - Y(s) \Rightarrow Y(s) \left(\frac{1 + G(s)}{G(s)} \right) = R(s)$$

$$T(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1+G(s)}$$

Steady state value

* Since $e_{ss} = 0$, the response must reach 1 exactly

Overshoot

the open loop transfer function $G(s)$ contains:

* an integrator: slows the rise, but increases overshoot

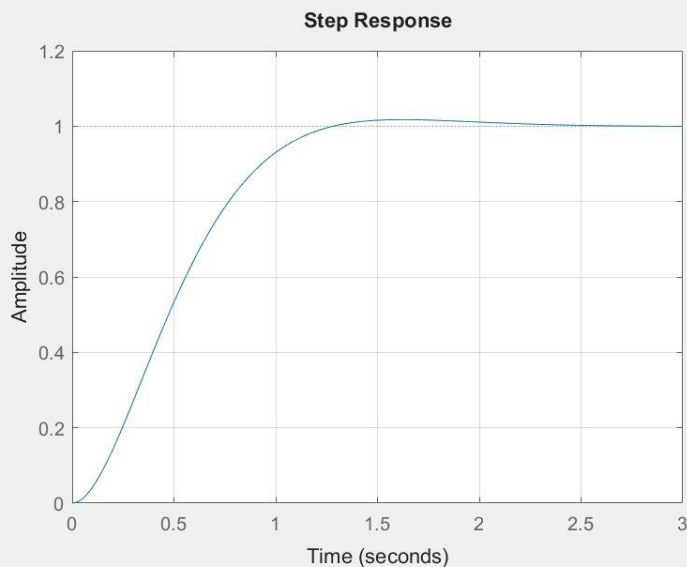
* stable pole at $-s$: gives moderate damping

for large gain K , root locus tends to cross imaginary axis \rightarrow overshoot likely

* overshoot above 1

Settling

as the dominant pole is close to zero, response will be slow to settle.



Q3. Required Specifications → Modify Transfer Function

Your goal is to design a first-order system that satisfies:

$$t_s < 1.2 \text{ seconds}, \quad e_{ss} = 0.1$$

1. Using the first-order formulas:

$$t_s \approx \frac{4}{a}, \quad e_{ss} = \frac{1}{1+K}$$

determine:

- the required pole location a ,
- the required static gain K .

2. Construct the modified plant:

$$G_{\text{new}}(s) = \frac{K}{s+a}.$$

3. Predict the shape of the step response before running MATLAB:

- Should it be faster or slower than Q1?
- Should the final value be higher or lower?

Q3

1) required pole location a , $t_s < 1.2s$

$$\frac{4}{a} < 1.2 \Rightarrow a > 3.33$$

take $a = 3.4$

• $e_{ss} = \frac{1}{1+K}$

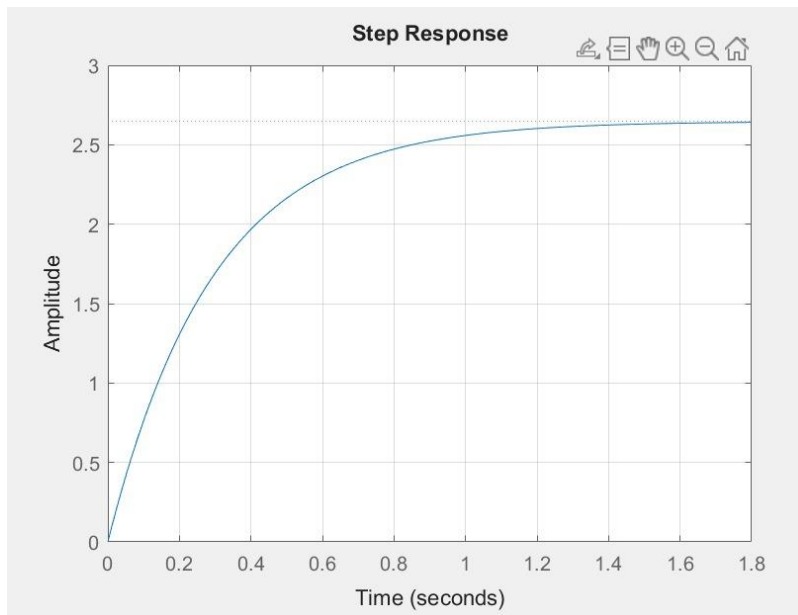
$$\Rightarrow 0.1 = \frac{1}{1+K} \Rightarrow K = 9$$

2) $G_{\text{new}}(s) = \frac{9}{s+3.4}$

3) a) Since pole is further left on the s -plane → system reacts faster
→ ie new step response will be faster than Q1.

b) $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G_{\text{new}}(s) = \frac{9}{3.4} \approx 2.65$

~~2.65 is higher~~ Final value is higher



Q4. Designing a Simple Controller to Meet Specifications

You are given the following plant:

$$G(s) = \frac{3}{s+1}$$

You must design a simple controller:

$$C(s) = K(s+z)$$

to meet these desired characteristics:

$$t_s < 2 \text{ s}, \quad M_p < 10\%, \quad y_{ss} = 0.8$$

1. Using formulas from the class cheat sheet:

- Choose a zero z that reduces rise time.
- Choose a gain K that sets the desired steady-state value.
- Estimate the resulting damping ratio ζ from the overshoot requirement.

Q4

- 1) * a small positive zero ($0 < z < 3$) reduces rise time.
 * a zero too close to origin adds overshoot.

So we choose $z = 1$.

* $y_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} T(s)$

$$T(s) = \frac{C(s)G(s)}{1 + C(s)G(s)}$$

$C(0) = kz$, $G(0) = 3$

$$T(0) = \frac{3kz}{1 + 3kz} = 0.8$$

$$\Rightarrow kz = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \boxed{k = \frac{4}{3}}$$

Overshoot

$$M_p = e^{\frac{-\zeta\pi}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}}$$

$$M_p < 0.10$$

$$0.1 = e^{-\frac{c\sigma T}{\sqrt{1-c^2}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln(0.1) = \frac{-c\sigma T}{\sqrt{1-c^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{c\sigma T}{\sqrt{1-c^2}} = 2.302$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{C = 0.59} \rightarrow \text{moderate damping, small overshoot.}$$

$$2) T(s) = \frac{(s)h(s)}{1+(s)h(s)} = \frac{3K}{1+3K}$$

3)

* a) adding the zero slightly increases overshoot but $< 10\%$, as we chose small $z=1$, so overshoot should remain controlled.

$$b) \boxed{y_{ss} = \frac{3Kz}{1+3Kz}}$$

as K increase numerator increases.

\rightarrow increase in final value.

c) zero + gain will push effective pole leftward.

\Rightarrow Response will be faster.

Q5. Ramp Tracking and System Type

Using the controller and closed-loop system from Q4:

$$r(t) = t \quad (\text{unit ramp})$$

1. Determine the **system type** of the closed-loop system.
2. Using system type rules, predict whether the ramp error will be:
 - infinite,
 - finite non-zero,
 - or zero.

3. Verify using the Final Value Theorem for ramp input:

$$e_{ss}^{\text{ramp}} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \left(\frac{1}{s^2} - T(s) \frac{1}{s^2} \right).$$

4. Explain whether adding the zero at $(s + z)$ helps or hurts ramp tracking.

Q5

1) $r(t) = t \xrightarrow{1} R(s) = \frac{1}{s^2}$

open loop transfer function = $L(s) = C(s)G(s)$
= 4 ... (from Q4)

* has no factor of $\frac{1}{s}$
system type = 0

2) From system type rule, ramp error will be infinite.

3)
$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \left[\frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{T(s)}{s^2} \right]$$
$$= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \left[\frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{0.8}{s^2} \right] = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{0.2}{s}$$
$$\frac{0.2}{s} \rightarrow \infty$$

\Rightarrow Final value theorem validates infinite ramp error.

4) adding a zero at $s = -z$ cancels plant pole at $s = -1$.

\hookrightarrow this removes system's dynamic response, only resulting in constant gain

* For good ramp tracking you need:

* One integrator in open loop

\hookrightarrow gives finite ramp error

So adding zero hurts ramp tracking because it makes system type 0, giving infinite ramp error.