DESIGN OF DIGITAL CONTROLLER FOR AN ARMATURE CONTROLLED MOTOR USING THE DIGITAL APPROXIMATION OF A CONTINUOUS CONTROLLER

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ABSTRACT

A digital controller based on the digital approximation of a continuous controller is designed for an armature-controlled motor. Continuous lead, lag and lead-lag controllers are designed to meet the given specifications. The output responses for each of the compensated systems are then obtained using MATLAB. Several digital approximations of the analogue controller that gives the best response are tried out. The purpose of analysis the system is to find the performance specification such as relative stability, speed of response and the accuracy of the given system. The time response of the digital compensated system using the approximation methods are simulated to compare with the time response of the analogue compensated system, in order to choose the best digital approximation method for the given system.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 Introduction

Control system is an integral part of modern society and has numerous applications. The requirements imposed on the control system are usually spelled out as performance specifications. They generally relate to accuracy, relative stability, and speed of response. It is important to note that in control systems design, transient-response performance is usually the most important. We may use analogue, digital or both analogue and digital technique to control a desired physical quantity. But in recent years, there has been a rapid increase in the use of digital controllers in control systems. Even in small-scale control systems, digital controls are used for achieving optimal-performance; for example, in the form of maximum productivity, maximum profit, minimum cost, or minimum energy uses (Gayakwad and Sokoloff, 1988). In many industrial applications, digital and analogue systems coexist in harmony to produce optimum performance.

1.1 Controller

The controller acts on the input error signal to produce an actuating signal, which in turn drives the controlled process, which tries to reduce the error to zero. Figure 1.1 shows the block diagram of a typical closed-loop control system.