

Examples on tuning PID controllers

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1 Tuning PI controller for 3rd order time delay system

Given a system with model

$$h_p(s) = K \frac{e^{-\tau s}}{(1 + T_1 s)(1 + T_2 s)^2}, \quad (1)$$

with model parameters $K = 1$, $\tau = 1$, $T_1 = 30$ and $T_2 = 1$.

1. Use the half rule for model reduction and find a first order model approximation of the form.

$$h_p(s) = K \frac{e^{-\tau s}}{1 + T_s}. \quad (2)$$

2. Use the Skogestad SIMC method with the simple robust lower bound $T_c = \tau$ in order to find the PI controller parameters.
3. Simulate the closed loop system with a unit step change in the reference, r , at time $t = 0$ and with a unit disturbance, v , at time $t = \frac{t_{\text{final}}}{2}$.
4. Plot the magnitude of the frequency response of the loop transfer function, $|h_0(j\omega)|$, and the magnitude of the sensitivity function $|S(j\omega)|$ as a function of frequency, $0 \leq \omega \leq \infty$.
5. Find the robustness margins of the feedback system, i.e. find gain Margin (GM), Phase Margin (PM), maximum time delay error, $d\tau_{\text{max}} = \frac{PM}{\omega_c}$ and the sensitivity index M_s .