

CHE302 LECTURE XI

CONTROLLER DESIGN AND PID CONTROLLER TUNING

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CONTROLLER DESIGN

- **Performance criteria for closed-loop systems**
 - Stable
 - Minimal effect of disturbance
 - Rapid, smooth response to set point change
 - No offset
 - No excessive control action
 - Robust to plant-model mismatch

$$\min_{K_c, t_I, t_D} \int_0^{\infty} (w_1 e^2(t) + w_2 \Delta u^2(t)) dt$$

- **Trade-offs in control problems**
 - Set point tracking vs. disturbance rejection
 - Robustness vs. performance

GUIDELINES FOR COMMON CONTROL LOOPS

- **Flow and liquid pressure control**
 - Fast response with no time delay
 - Usually with small high-frequency noise
 - PI controller with intermediate controller gain
- **Liquid level control**
 - Noisy due to splashing and turbulence
 - High gain PI controller for integrating process
 - Conservative setting for averaging control when it is used for damping the fluctuation of the inlet stream
- **Gas pressure control**
 - Usually fast and self regulating
 - PI controller with small integral action (large reset time)

- **Temperature control**
 - Wide variety of the process nature
 - Usually slow response with time delay
 - Use PID controller to speed up the response
- **Composition control**
 - Similar to temperature control usually with larger noise and more time delay
 - Effectiveness of derivative action is limited
 - Temperature and composition controls are the prime candidates for advance control strategies due to its importance and difficulty of control

TRIAL AND ERROR TUNING

- **Step1: With P-only controller**

- Start with low K_c value and increase it until the response has a sustained oscillation (continuous cycling) for a small set point or load change. (K_{cu})
- Set $K_c = K_{cu}$.

- **Step2: Add I mode**

- Decrease the reset time until sustained oscillation occurs. (t_{lu})
- Set $t_I = 3t_{lu}$.
- If a further improvement is required, proceed to Step 3.

- **Step3: Add D mode**

- Decrease the reset time until sustained oscillation occurs. (t_{Du})
- Set $t_D = 3t_{Du}$.

(The sustained oscillation should not be caused by the controller saturation)

CONTINUOUS CYCLING METHOD

- **Also called as loop tuning or ultimate gain method**

- Increase controller gain until sustained oscillation
- Find ultimate gain (K_{CU}) and ultimate period (P_{CU})

- **Ziegler-Nichols controller setting**

- 1/4 decay ratio (too much oscillatory)

Controller	K_C	t_I	t_D
P	$0.5K_{CU}$	-	-
PI	$0.45K_{CU}$	$P_{CU}/1.2$	-
PID	$0.6K_{CU}$	$P_{CU}/2$	$0.5P_{CU}/8$

- **Modified Ziegler-Nichols setting**

Controller	K_C	t_I	t_D
Original	$0.6K_{CU}$	$P_{CU}/2$	$P_{CU}/8$
Some overshoot	$0.33K_{CU}$	$P_{CU}/2$	$P_{CU}/3$
No overshoot	$0.2K_{CU}$	$P_{CU}/2$	$P_{CU}/3$

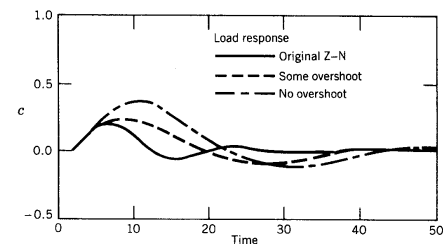
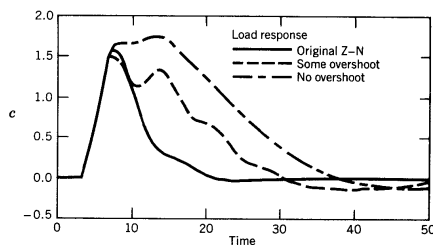
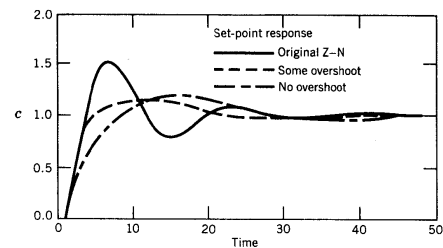
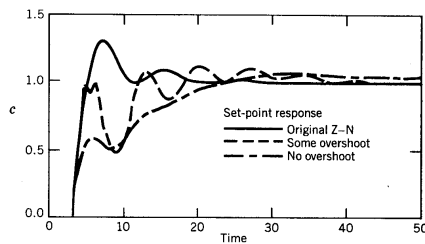
• Examples

$$G_p(s) = \frac{4e^{-3.5s}}{7s+1} \quad K_{CU} = 0.95 \quad P_{CU} = 12$$

$$G_p(s) = \frac{2e^{-s}}{(10s+1)(5s+1)} \quad K_{CU} = 7.88 \quad P_{CU} = 11.6$$

Controller	K_C	t_I	t_D
Original	0.57	6.0	1.5
Some overshoot	0.31	6.0	4.0
No overshoot	0.19	6.0	4.0

Controller	K_C	t_I	t_D
Original	4.73	5.8	1.45
Some overshoot	2.60	5.8	3.87
No overshoot	1.58	5.8	3.87



• Advantages of continuous cycling method

- No a priori information on process required
- Applicable to all stable processes

• Disadvantages of continuous cycling method

- Time consuming
- Loss of product quality and productivity during the tests
- Continuous cycling may cause the violation of process limitation and safety hazards
- Not applicable to open-loop unstable process
- First-order and second-order process without time delay will not oscillate even with very large controller gain

=> Motivates Relay feedback method. (Astrom and Wittenmark)

RELAY FEEDBACK METHOD

- **Relay feedback controller**

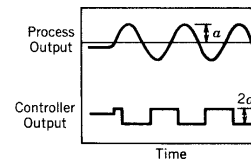
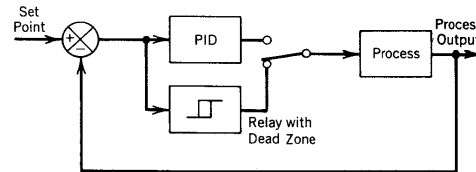
- Forces the system to oscillate by a relay controller
- Require a single closed-loop experiment to find the ultimate frequency information
- No *a priori* information on process is required
- Switch relay feedback controller for tuning
- Find P_{CU} and calculate K_{CU}

$$K_{CU} = \frac{4d}{pa}$$

- User specified parameter: d

Decide d in order not to perturb the system too much.

- Use Ziegler-Nichols Tuning rules for PID tuning parameters



DESIGN RELATIONS FOR PID CONTROLLERS

- **Cohen-Coon controller design relations**

- Empirical relation for $1/4$ decay ratio for FOPDT model

Table 12.2 Cohen and Coon Controller Design Relations

Controller	Settings	Cohen-Coon
P	K_c	$\frac{1}{K} \frac{\tau}{\theta} [1 + \theta/3\tau]$
PI	K_c	$\frac{1}{K} \frac{\tau}{\theta} [0.9 + \theta/12\tau]$
	τ_I	$\frac{\theta[30 + 3(\theta/\tau)]}{9 + 20(\theta/\tau)}$
PID	K_c	$\frac{1}{K} \frac{\tau}{\theta} \left[\frac{16\tau + 3\theta}{12\tau} \right]$
	τ_I	$\frac{\theta[32 + 6(\theta/\tau)]}{13 + 8(\theta/\tau)}$
	τ_D	$\frac{4\theta}{11 + 2(\theta/\tau)}$

- **Design relations based on integral error criteria**

- 1/4 decay ratio is too oscillatory
- Decay ratio concerns only two peak points of the response
- **IAE: Integral of the Absolute Error**

$$IAE = \int_0^{\infty} |e(t)| dt$$

- **ISE: Integral of the Square Error**

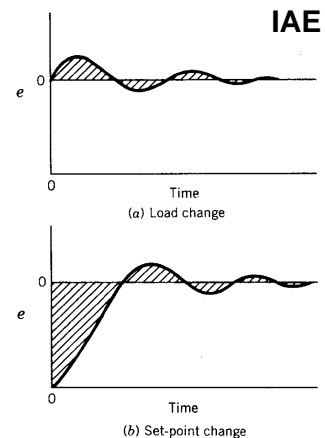
$$ISE = \int_0^{\infty} [e(t)]^2 dt$$

- Large error contributes more
- Small error contributes less
- Large penalty for large overshoot
- Small penalty for small persisting oscillation

- **ITAE: Integral of the Time-weighted Absolute Error**

$$ITAE = \int_0^{\infty} t |e(t)| dt$$

- Large penalty for persisting oscillation
- Small penalty for initial transient response



- **Controller design relation based on ITAE for FOPDT model**

Table 12.3 Controller Design Relations Based on the ITAE Performance Index and a First-Order plus Time-Delay Model [6–8]^a

Type of Input	Type of Controller	Mode	A	B
Load	PI	P	0.859	-0.977
		I	0.674	-0.680
		D	0.381	0.995
Load	PID	P	1.357	-0.947
		I	0.842	-0.738
		D	0.381	0.995
Set point	PI	P	0.586	-0.916
		I	1.03 ^b	-0.165 ^b
Set point	PID	P	0.965	-0.85
		I	0.796 ^b	-0.1465 ^b
		D	0.308	0.929

^aDesign relation: $Y = A(\theta/\tau)^B$ where $Y = KK_c$ for the proportional mode, τ/τ_i for the integral mode, and τ_D/τ for the derivative mode.

^bFor set-point changes, the design relation for the integral mode is $\tau/\tau_i = A + B(\theta/\tau)$. [8]

- **Similar design relations based on IAE and ISE for other types of models can be found in literatures.**

• Example1

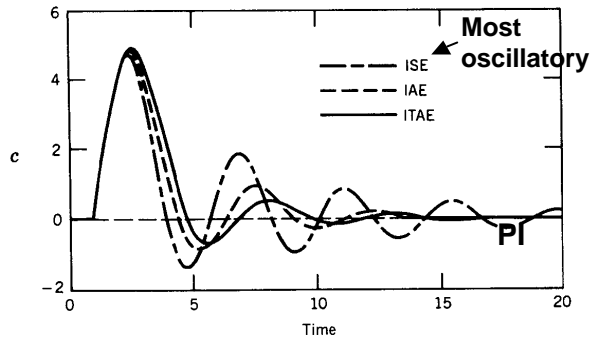
$$G(s) = \frac{10e^{-s}}{2s+1}$$

$$KK_c = (0.859)(1/2)^{-0.977} = 1.69$$

$$\Rightarrow K_c = 0.169$$

$$t/t_I = (0.674)(1/2)^{-0.680} = 1.08$$

$$\Rightarrow t_I = 1.85$$

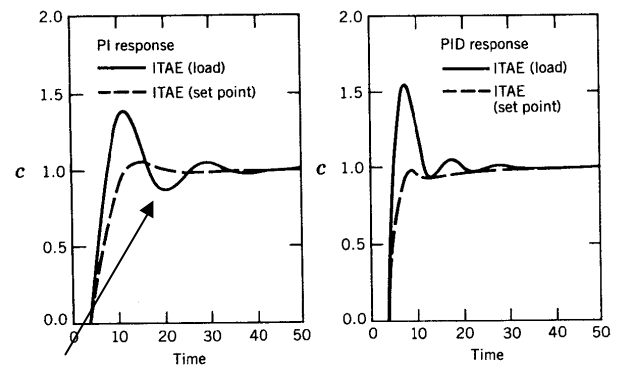


Method	K_c	t_I
IAE	0.195	2.02
ISE	0.245	2.44
ITAE	0.169	1.85

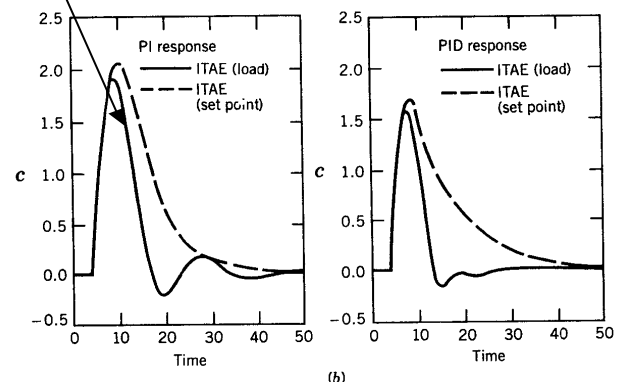
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Example2

$$G(s) = \frac{4e^{-3.5s}}{7s+1}$$



Trade-offs



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• Design relations based on process reaction curve

- For the processes who have sigmoidal shape step responses
(Not for underdamped processes)
- Fit the curve with FOPDT model

$$G(s) = \frac{Ke^{-qs}}{(ts+1)} \quad S = K\Delta u/t \quad S^* = S/\Delta u = K/t$$

Table 13.3 Ziegler-Nichols Tuning Relations (Process Reaction Curve Method)

Controller Type	K_c	τ_I	τ_D
P	$\frac{1}{\theta S^*}$	—	—
PI	$\frac{0.9}{\theta S^*}$	3.33 θ	—
PID	$\frac{1.2}{\theta S^*}$	2 θ	0.5 θ

- Very simple
- Inherits all the problems of FOPDT model fitting

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DIRECT SYNTHESIS METHOD

- **Analysis: Given $G_c(s)$, what is $y(t)$?**
- **Design: Given $y_d(t)$, what should $G_c(s)$ be?**
- **Derivation**

$$\text{Let } G_{OL} = K_m G_c G_v G_p \triangleq G_c G$$

$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G_{OL}}{1+G_{OL}} = \frac{G_c G}{1+G_c G} \Rightarrow G_c = \frac{1}{G} \left(\frac{Y/R}{1-Y/R} \right)$$

$$\text{Specify } (Y/R)_d \Rightarrow G_c = \frac{1}{G} \left(\frac{(Y/R)_d}{1-(Y/R)_d} \right)$$

- **If $(Y/R)_d = 1$, then it implies perfect control. (infinite gain)**
- **The resulting controller may not be physically realizable**
- **Or, not in PID form and too complicated.**
- **Design with finite settling time: $(Y/R)_d = \frac{1}{t_c s + 1}$**

• Examples

1. Perfect control (K_c becomes infinite)

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{(t_1 s + 1)(t_2 s + 1)} \quad \text{and } (Y/R)_d = 1$$

$$G_c(s) = \frac{1}{G(s)} \left(\frac{1}{1-1} \right) = \frac{\infty}{G(s)} \quad (\text{infinite gain, unrealizable})$$

2. Finite settling time for 1st-order process

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{(t s + 1)} \quad \text{and } (Y/R)_d = \frac{1}{t_c s + 1}$$

$$G_c(s) = \frac{1}{G(s)} \left(\frac{1/(t_c s + 1)}{1-1/(t_c s + 1)} \right) = \frac{t s + 1}{K t_c s} = \frac{t}{t_c K} \left(1 + \frac{1}{t s} \right) \quad (\text{PI})$$

3. Finite settling time for 2nd-order process

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{(t_1 s + 1)(t_2 s + 1)} \quad \text{and } (Y/R)_d = \frac{1}{t_c s + 1}$$

$$G_c(s) = \frac{(t_1 + t_2)}{t_c K} \left(1 + \frac{1}{(t_1 + t_2)s} + \frac{t_1 t_2}{(t_1 + t_2)} s \right) \quad (\text{PID})$$

• Process with time delay

- If there is a time delay, any physically realizable controller cannot overcome the time delay. (Need time lead)
- Given circumstance, a reasonable choice will be

$$(Y/R)_d = \frac{e^{-q_c s}}{t_c s + 1}$$

– Examples

1. $G(s) = \frac{K e^{-q s}}{(t s + 1)}$ and $(Y/R)_d = \frac{e^{-q s}}{t_c s + 1}$ ($q_c = q$)

$$G_c(s) = \frac{1}{G(s)} \left(\frac{e^{-q s} / (t_c s + 1)}{1 - e^{-q s} / (t_c s + 1)} \right) = \frac{t s + 1}{K} \frac{1}{t_c s + 1 - e^{-q s}}$$

Physically realizable
(not a PID)

2. With 1st-order Taylor series approx. ($e^{-q s} \approx 1 - q s$)

$$G_c(s) = \frac{t s + 1}{K} \frac{1}{(t_c + q) s} = \frac{t}{K(t_c + q)} \left(1 + \frac{1}{t s} \right) \text{ (PI)}$$

3. $G(s) = \frac{K e^{-q s}}{(t_1 s + 1)(t_2 s + 1)}$ and $(Y/R)_d = \frac{e^{-q s}}{t_c s + 1}$ ($q_c = q$)

$$G_c(s) = \frac{(t_1 s + 1)(t_2 s + 1)}{K} \frac{1}{(t_c + q) s} = \frac{(t_1 + t_2)}{K(t_c + q)} \left(1 + \frac{1}{(t_1 + t_2) s} + \frac{t_1 t_2}{(t_1 + t_2)} s \right) \text{ (PID)}$$

• Observations on Direct Synthesis Method

- Resulting controllers could be quite complex and may not even be physically realizable.
- PID parameters will be decided by a user-specified parameter: The desired closed-loop time constant (t_c)
- The shorter t_c makes the action more aggressive. (larger K_c)
- The longer t_c makes the action more conservative. (smaller K_c)
- For a limited cases, it results PID form.
 - 1st-order model without time delay: PI
 - FOPDT with 1st-order Taylor series approx.: PI
 - 2nd-order model without time delay: PID
 - SOPDT with 1st-order Taylor series approx.: PID
 - Delay modifies the K_c .

$$\frac{t}{K t_c} \rightarrow \frac{t}{K(t_c + q)} \text{ (1st order)} \quad \frac{(t_1 + t_2)}{K t_c} \rightarrow \frac{(t_1 + t_2)}{K(t_c + q)} \text{ (2nd order)}$$

- With time delay, the K_c will not become infinite even for the perfect control ($Y/R=1$).

INTERNAL MODEL CONTROL (IMC)

• Motivation

- The resulting controller from direct synthesis method may not be physically unrealizable.
- If there is RHP zero in the process, the resulting controller from direct synthesis method will be unstable.
- Unmeasured disturbance and modeling error are not considered in direct synthesis method.

• Source of trouble

- From direct synthesis method

$$G_c = \frac{1}{G} \left(\frac{(Y/R)_d}{1 - (Y/R)_d} \right)$$

Resulting controller may have higher-order numerator than denominator

Direct inversion of process causes many problems

Process is unknown

• IMC

- Feedback the error between the process output and model output.

- Equivalent conventional controller: $G_c = \frac{G_c^*}{1 - G_c^* \tilde{G}}$

- Using block diagram algebra

$$C = GP + L \quad P = G_c^* E \quad E = R - (C - \tilde{C}) = R - C + \tilde{G}P$$

$$P = G_c^* (R - C + \tilde{G}P)$$

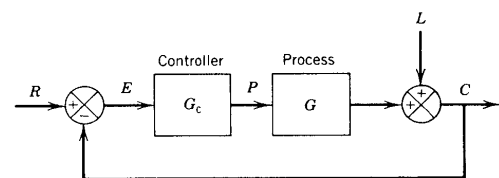
$$\Rightarrow P = G_c^* (R - C) / (1 - G_c^* \tilde{G})$$

$$C = GG_c^* (R - C) / (1 - G_c^* \tilde{G}) + L$$

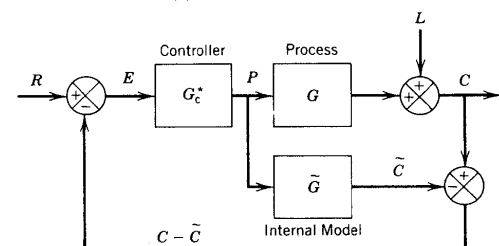
$$(1 + GG_c^* - G_c^* \tilde{G})C = GG_c^* R + (1 - G_c^* \tilde{G})L$$

$$C = \frac{G_c^* G}{1 + G_c^* (G - \tilde{G})} R + \frac{(1 - G_c^* \tilde{G})}{1 + G_c^* (G - \tilde{G})} L$$

$$\text{If } \tilde{G} = G, C = G_c^* GR + (1 - G_c^* G)L$$



(a) Classical feedback control



(b) Internal Model Control

- **IMC design strategy**

- Factor the process model as

$$\tilde{G} = \underbrace{(\tilde{G}_+ \tilde{G}_-)}_{\text{Uninvertibles}}$$

- \tilde{G}_+ contains any time delays and RHP zeros and is specified so that the steady-state gain is one
- \tilde{G}_- is the rest of G .

- The controller is specified as

$$G_c^* = \frac{1}{\tilde{G}_-} f$$

- IMC filter f is a low-pass filter with steady-state gain of one
- Typical IMC filter:
$$f = \frac{1}{(t_c s + 1)^r}$$
- The t_c is the desired closed-loop time constant and parameter r is a positive integer that is selected so that the order of numerator of G_c^* is same as the order of denominator or exceeds the order of denominator by one.

- **Example**

- FOPDT model with 1/1 Pade approximation

$$\tilde{G} = \frac{K(1 - qs/2)}{(1 + qs/2)(ts + 1)}$$

$$\tilde{G}_+ = 1 - qs/2 \quad \tilde{G}_- = \frac{K}{(1 + qs/2)(ts + 1)}$$

$$G_c^* = \frac{1}{\tilde{G}_-} f = \frac{(1 + qs/2)(ts + 1)}{K} \frac{1}{(t_c s + 1)}$$

$$G_c = \frac{G_c^*}{1 - G_c^* \tilde{G}} = \frac{(1 + qs/2)(ts + 1)}{K(t_c + q/2)s} \quad (\text{PID})$$

$$K_c = \frac{1}{K} \frac{(t + q/2)}{(t_c + q/2)} \quad t_I = t + q/2 \quad t_D = \frac{tq/2}{t + q/2}$$

IMC based PID controller settings

Table 12.1 IMC-Based PID Controller Settings for $G_c(s)$ [4]^a

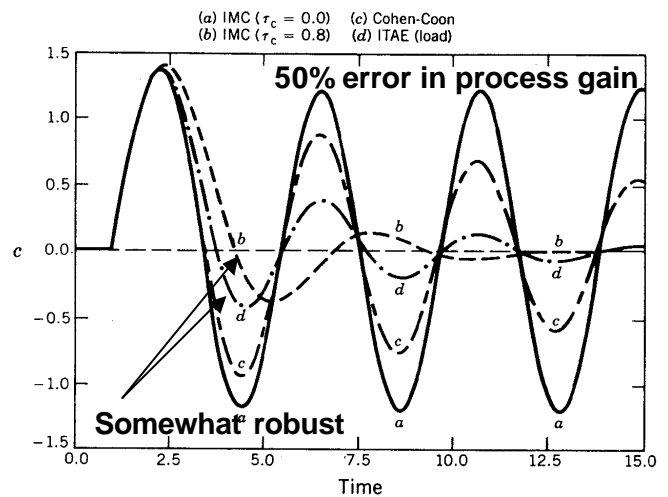
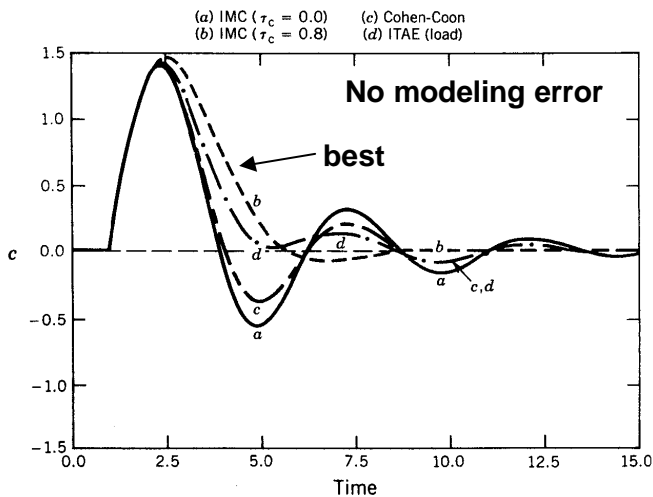
Case	Model	$K_c K$	τ_I	τ_D
A	$\frac{K}{\tau s + 1}$	$\frac{\tau}{\tau_c}$	τ	—
B	$\frac{K}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)}$	$\frac{\tau_1 + \tau_2}{\tau_c}$	$\tau_1 + \tau_2$	$\frac{\tau_1 \tau_2}{\tau_1 + \tau_2}$
C	$\frac{K}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta \tau s + 1}$	$\frac{2\zeta \tau}{\tau_c}$	$2\zeta \tau$	$\frac{\tau}{2\zeta}$
D	$\frac{K(-\beta s + 1)}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta \tau s + 1}, \beta > 0$	$\frac{2\zeta \tau}{\tau_c + \beta}$	$2\zeta \tau$	$\frac{\tau}{2\zeta}$
E	$\frac{K}{s}$	$\frac{1}{\tau_c}$	—	—
F	$\frac{K}{s(\tau s + 1)}$	$\frac{1}{\tau_c}$	—	τ

^aBased on Eq. 12-30 with $r = 1$.

COMPARISON OF CONTROLLER DESIGN RELATIONS

- PI controller settings for different methods

$$G(s) = \frac{2e^{-s}}{s+1}$$



EFFECT OF MODELING ERROR

- **Actual plant**

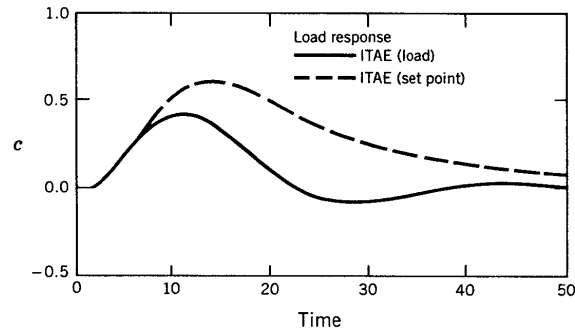
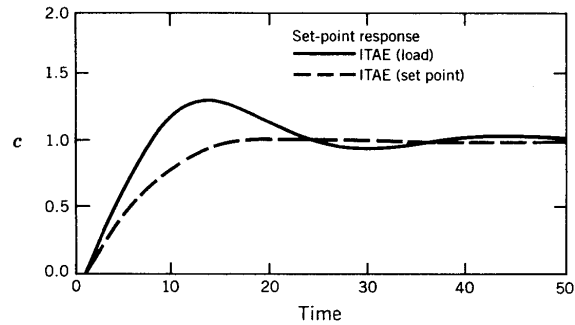
$$G(s) = \frac{2e^{-s}}{(10s+1)(5s+1)}$$

- **Approx. model**

$$\tilde{G}(s) = \frac{2e^{-4.7s}}{12s+1}$$

- Satisfactory for this case
- Use with care

As the estimated time delay gets smaller, the performance degradation will be pronounced.



- **All kinds of tuning method should be used for initial setting and fine tuning should be done!!**

GENERAL CONCLUSION FOR PID TUNING

- The controller gain should be inversely proportional to the products of the other gains in the feedback loop.
- The controller gain should decrease as the ratio of time delay to dominant time constant increases.
- The larger the ratio of time delay to dominant time constant is, the harder the system is to control.
- The reset time and the derivative time should increase as the ratio of time delay to dominant time constant increases.
- The ratio between derivative time and reset time is typically between 0.1 to 0.3.
- The $\frac{1}{4}$ decay ratio is too oscillatory for process control. If less oscillatory response is desired, the controller gain should decrease and reset time should increase.
- Among IAE, ISE and ITAE, ITAE is the most conservative and ISE is the least conservative setting.