Development of a Discrete PID Control Laboratory for Undergraduate EET Curriculum: Modeling, Analytical, and Empirical Data Collection Tool

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#### **Seeing is Believing**

• Control System concepts are abstract.

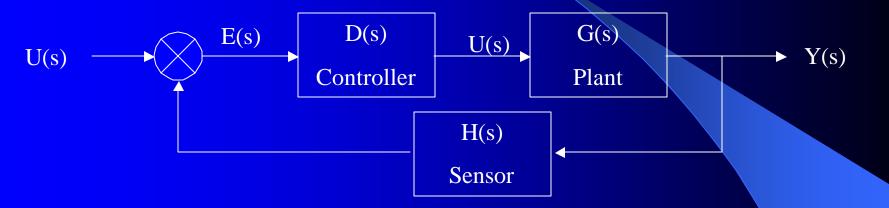
- Unfamiliar terms + magical calculations = disillusioned student.
- Need a course based on a real world application to help strengthen these concepts.

Theoretical

Experiential

#### **Classroom** Objectives

#### Introduce Control Systems theory.

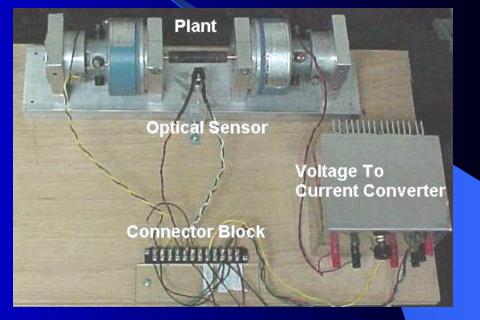


- Solidify understanding through simultaneous laboratory experimentation.
  - With what laboratory?

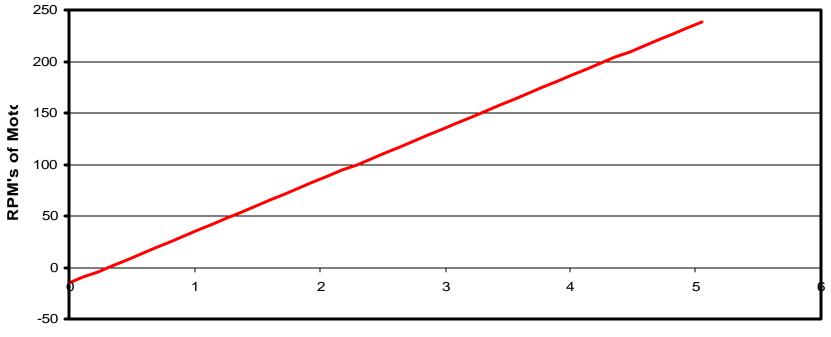
## **PID Motor Control Laboratory**

#### Motor Control apparatus

- Motor/Generator
- Optical Sensor
- Voltage to Current
- Connector Block
- PC w/ DAQ
- Intelligent Device



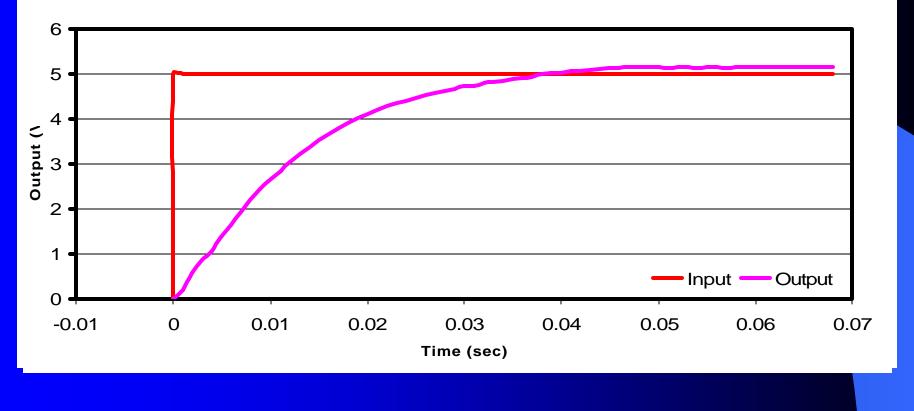
## Plant Characterization Input Voltage—RPM relationship



Input Voltage (V)

- Damping Ratio and Natural Frequency
  - Apply step input
  - Acquire generator output response
  - Determine time domain plant equation:
    - Curve fitting software
    - LabVIEW PID Simulation software

Acquire generator output response



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- 1st or 2nd Order Characterization?
  - 1st Order
    - Easier and faster to determine, but
    - Only models the exponential rise of the response.
  - 2nd Order
    - Slightly harder to determine, but
    - Can model the exponential rise and the steady state oscillations of the response.
  - Greater than 2nd Order?
    - Too cumbersome, detracts from learning.

- Determining 2nd Order Plant
  - Curve Fitting Software, or
  - LabVIEW PID Simulation software
    - Setup parameters to simulate reality:
      - Open Loop
      - Kp = 1, Kd = 0, Ki = 0
      - Reduce the time scale to the time of interest
    - Setting  $\zeta_n = 1$ , modify  $\omega_n$  till the graphs are similar
    - Knowing that the system must be overdamped, make slight changes to ζ<sub>n</sub> and ω<sub>n</sub> until the simulated result matches the acquired data.

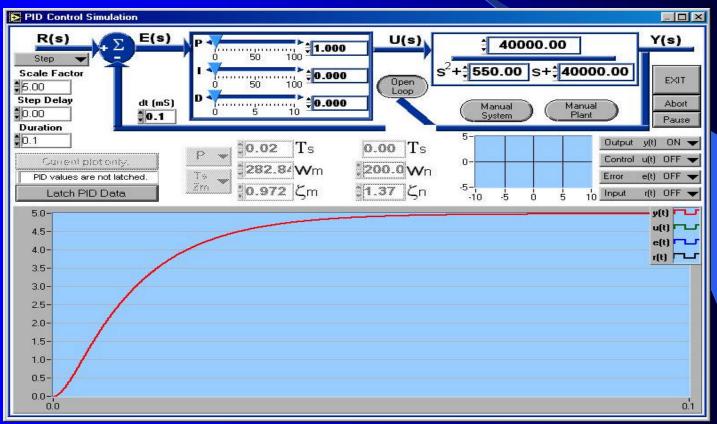
#### Determining 2nd Order Plant

 This allows us to make direct modifications to the plant equation and watch its result, rather than performing time to s-domain conversions.

 $Y(s) = \frac{40000}{s^2 + 550s + 40000}$ 

$$-\zeta_{n} = 1.375$$
  
 $-\omega_{n} = 200$ 

#### • EET/TET LabVIEW\_PID\*



#### \* Developed by Mr. Justin Ewing in a prior semester

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## Simulation Software

- What else does it do?
  - Simulation of any combination of P, I, and D control systems.
  - Fixed or auto tune modes, suggests optimal PID coefficients or plant values.
  - Calculates  $\zeta_m$  and  $\omega_m$ .
  - Select from different input types.
  - Displays the system roots.
  - Graphical display of input, error, control, or output signals.

#### **Other Analytical Tools**

- Matlab's SIMULINK quick and easy time domain plots of a PID system.
- LabVIEW Discrete and Continuous system equation comparison using a custom VI.
- LabVIEW Equation Solver VI
  - Finding fourth order roots.
  - Solving for coefficients in simultaneous equations.

#### **Experiments**

- Incremental learning by observing the effects of each coefficient:
  - Proportional
  - Proportional-Integral
  - Proportional-Derivative
  - Proportional-Integral-Derivative

## Proportional-Integral-Derivative (PID)

- Continuous PID Transfer Function, s-domain:  $\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{40000(K_d s^2 + K_p s + K_i)}{s^3 + (550 + 40000 K_d)s^2 + (40000 + 40000 K_p)s + 40000 K_i}$
- Discrete PID Control Function:  $u_{k} = e_{k} \left[ \frac{K_{d}}{T} + K_{p} + K_{i}T \right] - e_{k-1} \left[ \frac{2K_{d}}{T} + K_{p} \right] + e_{k-2} \left[ \frac{K_{d}}{T} \right] + u_{k-1} \left[ \frac{K_{d}$

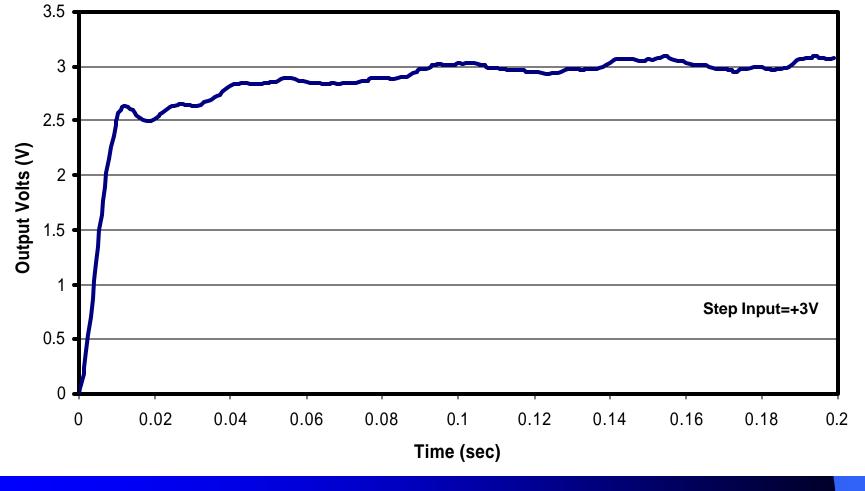
## Discrete Implementation of PID Control

#### Intelligent Device

- 2 Analog Inputs
- 1 Analog Output
- Real time data acquisition
- Adequate math operations
- Options
  - Microcontroller
  - Computer with DAQ and LabVIEW

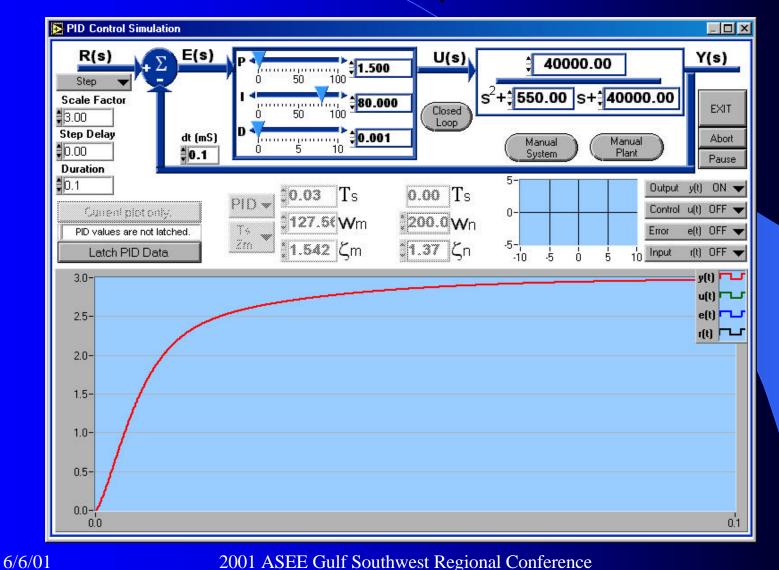
## PID Control (µC)

#### Kp=1.5, Ki=80, Kd=0.001

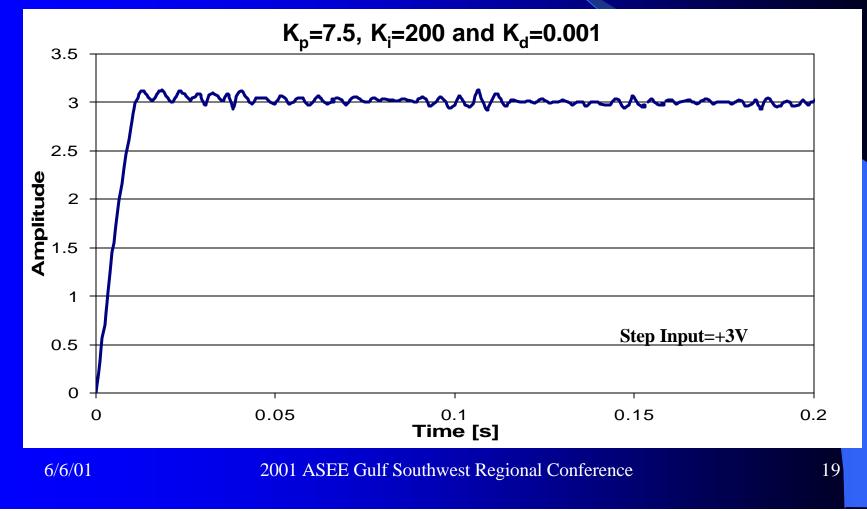


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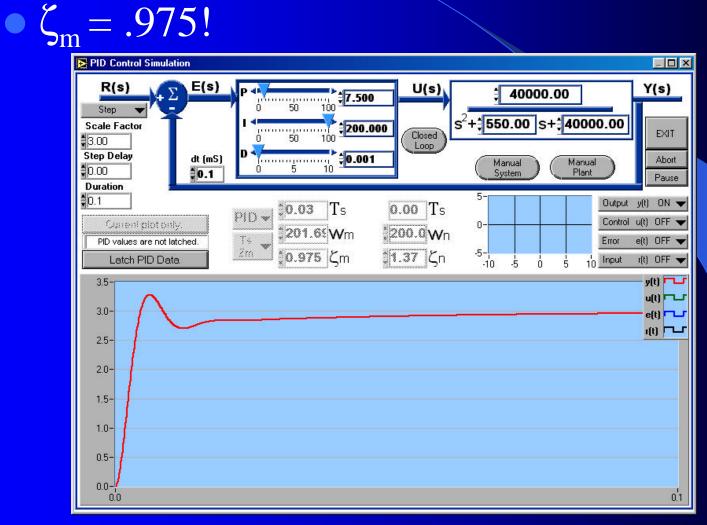
#### Simulation of µC Results



# PID Control (Computer) Forced an overdamped plant to respond as an underdamped system!



## Simulation of Computer Results



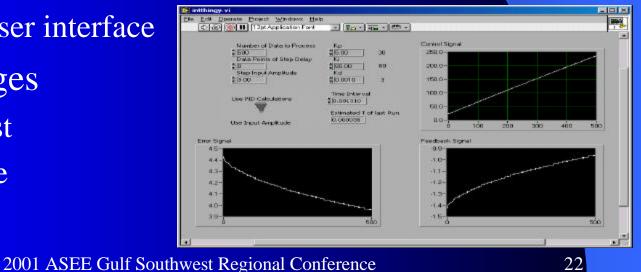
#### **Microcontroller**

- Advantages
  - Cost effective
  - Small
  - Easily portable
- Disadvantages
  - Extensive programming required (asm or C)
  - Not easily adjustable
  - Response calculations limited

## PC with DAQ and LabVIEW

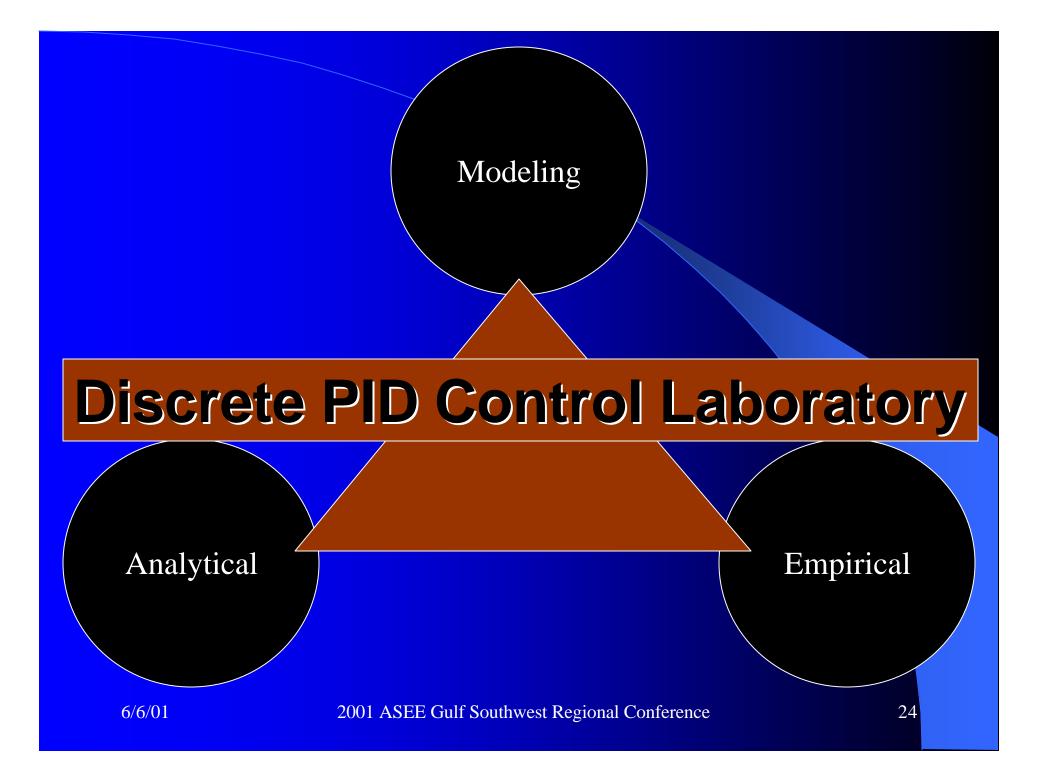
#### • Advantages

- Easily modify the PID coefficients
- Can modify the program at the test bench
- View information by adding graphs and numerical displays
- Minimum programming time
- Friendly user interface
- Disadvantages
  - Higher cost
  - Larger size



#### **Controller Conclusions**

- Microcontroller vs. LabVIEW...
  - The Microcontroller is good for industrial applications.
  - LabVIEW is good for educational and development purpose because of its power and flexibility.

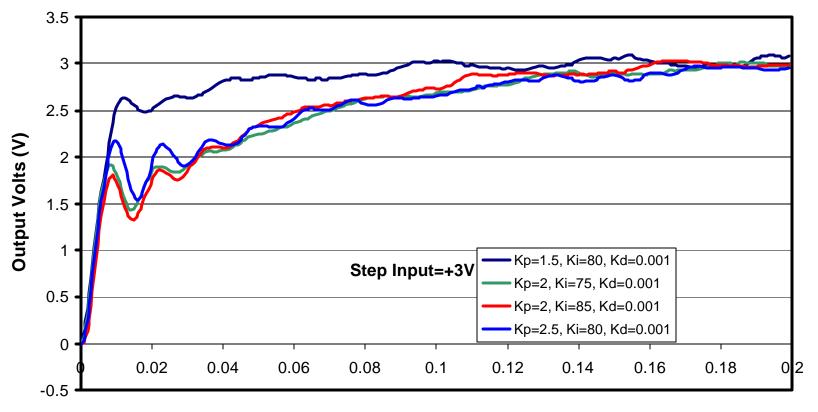


## **Questions?**



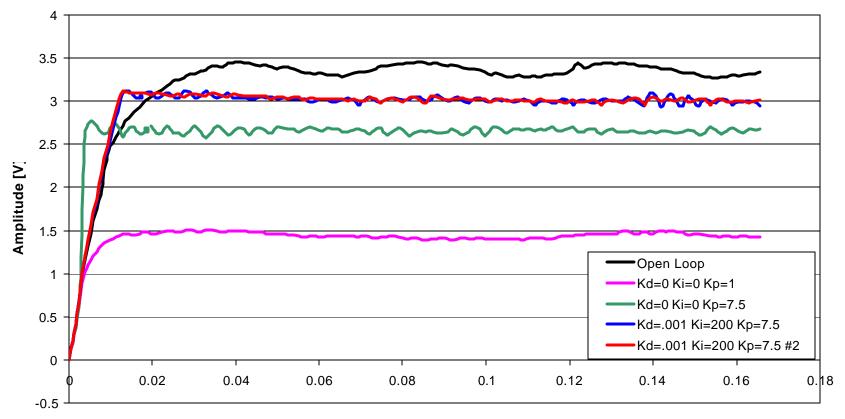


## PID Results-other (µC)



Time (sec)

## **PID Results-other (LabVIEW)**



time [s]

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#### **Proportional Control**

#### • Increasing Kp:

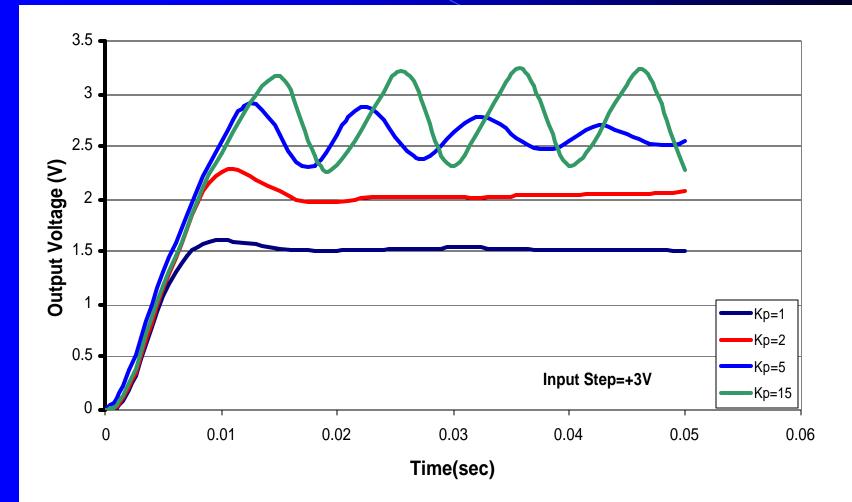
- Final value is closer to set point
- Decreases rise time
- Response becomes unstable
- Continuous transfer function for Kp:

 $Y(s)/R(s) = \omega_n^2 K_P / (s^2 + 2\zeta_n \omega_n s_+ \omega_n^2 (K_P + 1))$ 

• Discrete control function for Kp:

$$u_{k0} = (e_k - u_{k-1}) * k_p$$

## **Proportional Control**

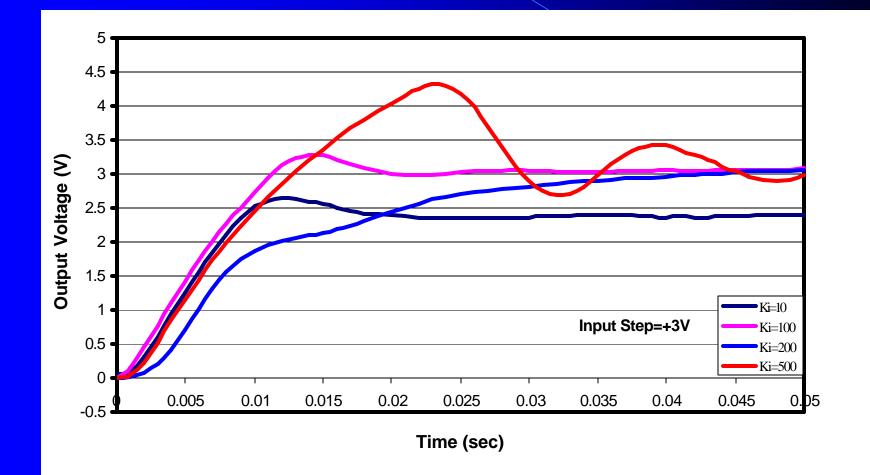


## **Proportional-Integral Control**

#### • Increasing Ki:

- Causes overshoot and ring
- Decreases rise time
- Error goes to zero
- Continuous transfer function for Kp/Ki:  $\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{40000(K_i + K_p s)}{s^2 + 550s^2 + 40000(K_p + 1)s + 40000K_i}$
- Discrete control function for Kp/Ki:  $u_{k0} = e_k * ((k_i * T) + k_p) - e_{k-1} * k_p + u_{k-1}$

### **Proportional-Integral Control**



#### **Proportional-Derivative Control**

#### • Increasing Kd:

- Decreases rise time
- Causes output to go to zero
- Continuous transfer function for Kp/Kd:

 $\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{42000(K_a s + K_p)}{s^2 + (550 + 42000K_a)s + (40000 + 42000K_p)}$ 

• Discrete control function for Kp/Kd:  $u_{k0} = e_k * ((k_d/T) + (k_p) - e_{k-1} * (((2*k_d)/T) + k_p) + ((e_{k-2} * k_d)/T) + u_{k-1})$ 

#### **Proportional-Derivative Control**

