

Position Control of Servo Systems using PID Controller Tuning with Soft Computing Optimization Techniques

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Abstract- In this paper, position control of servo motor using PID controller with soft computing optimization techniques is discussed. PID controllers widely used in the industry. Different methods are available for tuning the PID controller. In this paper conventional tuning method Z-N method and soft computing methods like Genetic algorithm (GA) and Particle swarm optimization (PSO) are used for the position control of the DC servo motor. The results obtained from soft computing methods (GA, PSO) are compared with conventional tuning method (Z-N) found that the soft computing techniques gives better results compared to the conventional PID tuning method.

Key Words: DC servo motor, position control, tuning methods, ZN, GA and PSO methods.

INTRODUCTION

Now a day's PID controllers are widely used in the industry. About 85-90% of the controllers are used in the industry are of PID type. Position control systems are normally unstable when they are implemented in closed loop configuration. PID controllers tuning for positional control systems is a time consuming task, therefore much effort has been given to analyse the servo systems.

The main aim of this paper is to analyse the soft computing methods and enumerate their advantages over conventional PID tuning methodologies. In this paper Position control of a 3rd ordered plant (Servo motor) using Conventional PID tuning and soft computing methods with their comparisons is analysed. Conventional PID tuning method Ziegler-Nichols, soft computing methods like genetic algorithm and PSO is used in this paper for the position control of servo systems.

Except for minor difference in constructional features a dc servo motor is essentially an ordinary dc motor. Physical requirements of DC servo motor are Low inertia and High starting torque. Low inertia is attained with reduced armature diameter with consequent in armature length such that the desired power output is reached.

SYSTEM MODELLING:

In this dc servo motor can be consider as a linear SISO system having 3rd order transfer function. Relation between shaft position and armature voltage is derived from the physical laws.

The air gap flux is given by

$$\phi = k_f i_f$$

Torque is proportional to product of Flux and Armature current

$$T = k_1 \phi I_a(t)$$

Or

$$T = k_1 k_f I_f(t) I_a(t)$$

The motor torque when the constant flux established in the field coil is given by

$$T = K_m I_a(t)$$

Back EMF of the motor is given by

$$V_b = k_b \omega$$

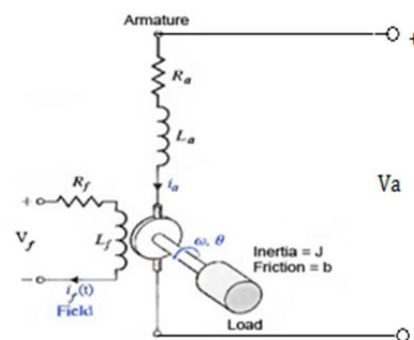


Fig1: separately excited dc motor

By apply Laplace transform to the armature loop

$$V_a(s) = R_a I_a(s) + L_a s I_a(s) + V_b(s)$$

Where $V_b(s)$ is back EMF voltage proportional to the motor speed. Therefore, we have

$$V_b(s) = k_b w(s)$$

The armature current is expressed as

$$I_a(s) = \frac{V_a(s) - k_b w(s)}{R_a + sL_a}$$

The motor torque is expressed as

$$T_m(s) = T_l(s) + T_d(s)$$

Here T_l is the load torque

$$T_l(s) = js^2\theta(s) + Bs\theta(s)$$

The relation between speed and position is given by

$$w(s) = s * \theta(s)$$

The above equations can be represent in a block diagram as

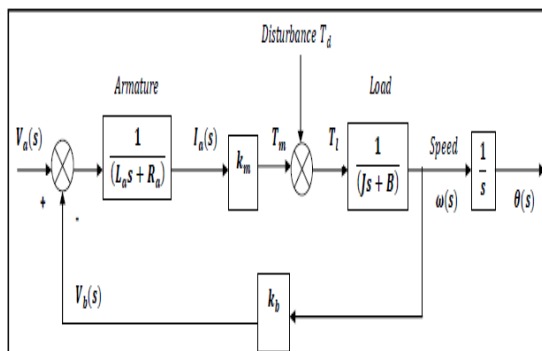


Fig2: equivalent block diagram

From the above block diagram the relation between shaft position and armature obtained as by assuming the $T_d=0$,

$$\frac{\theta(s)}{V_a(s)} = \frac{K_m}{S[(SL_a + R_a)(SJ + B) + (K_m K_b)]}$$

$J=0.01\text{kg/m}^2, B=0.1\text{n.m.s}, kb=0.01 \text{ v/rad/sec}, km=0.01\text{N.m/amp}, Ra=1 \text{ ohm}, L=0.5\text{H}$

Substitute above values in the above equation,

$$\frac{\theta(s)}{V_a(s)} = \frac{0.01}{0.005S^3 + 0.06S^2 + 0.1001S}$$

PID CONTROLLER:

The PID filter is implemented in almost all industrial processes because of its well-known beneficial features. In general, the whole system's performance strongly depends on the controller's efficiency and hence the tuning process plays a key role in the system's behaviour. Position control of servo systems is normally unstable when they are implemented in closed loop configuration so PID controller is used to improve the dynamic performance and also reduce the steady state error of the systems. The block diagram of PID control is shown below Fig:3

The output of The PID controller (U (t)) is given by

$$U(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int e(t) + K_d \frac{d}{dt} e(t)$$

Where K_p, K_i, K_d are proportional, Integral and derivative gains and $e(t)$ =error=set point-output

The PID output in Frequency domain can be represented as

$$\frac{U(s)}{E(s)} = K_p + \frac{K_i}{s} + K_d s$$

The closed loop Transfer Function is given by

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{G_c(s)G(s)}{1 + G_c(s)G(s)}$$

Y(s) =Output response(s) =input, G(s) =plant

And $G_c(s)$ =controller

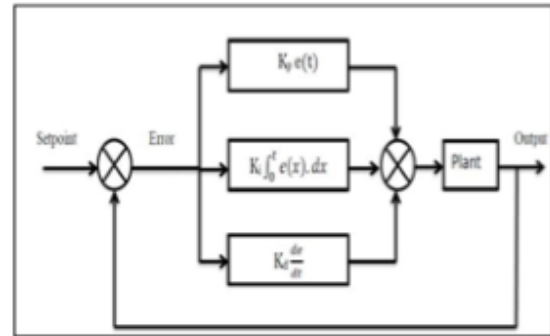


Fig3: Conventional PID controller block diagram

ZN Method:

Ziegler-Nichols (ZN) method is a conventional PID tuning method. This method is widely used for design of various controllers. Ziegler-Nichols presented two methods 1. Step response method and 2. Frequency response method. In this Paper frequency response method is discussed for tuning the PID controller

PROCEDURE:

In this method derivative time (T_d) is set to zero and integral time (T_i) set to infinity. This is used to get the initial PID setting of the systems. The critical gain (K_u) and periodic oscillations (P_u) are determined by using R-H criteria. K_u is determined by equating the row containing 's' in R-H row to zero. P_u is determined by equating the row containing 's^2' in R-H row to zero. Evaluate parameters described by Z-N method. Values of K_p, K_i and K_d are determined using the formulas $K_p = 0.6 * K_u, K_i = K_p / T_i$ and $K_d = K_p * T_d$. K_p, T_i, T_d Are calculated using the formulas given in below table, $T_c = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$

Control type	K_p	T_i	T_d
P	$0.5 K_u$	inf	0
PI	$0.45 K_u$	$0.833T_c$	0
PID	$0.6 K_u$	$0.5T_c$	$0.125T_c$

Table1: ZN PID tuning parameters

The advantage of this method is applying easy rules to simple mathematical models. But the disadvantage of this method does not provide as good results as expected.

GENETIC ALGORITHM:

A genetic algorithm is a powerful searching capabilities and heuristic characteristics. GA has also been used in control tuning applications, being shown to obtain better results than classical techniques. Genetic algorithms are inspired from phenomena found in living organisms (nature). In Genetic algorithms they choose the next generations based on genetic operators like cross over, mutation selection and survival of fittest

The components of GA are

A problem definition as input, and encoding principles (gene, chromosome), initialization procedure followed by cross over, mutation and selection operators for reproduction with the help of an objective function.

Simple Genetic Algorithm:

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{
Initialize population;
Evaluate population;
While Termination Criteria Not Satisfied
{
Select parents for reproduction;
Perform recombination and mutation;
Evaluate population;
}
}

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GA PARAMETERS:

In this paper the following genetic algorithm parameters are used

Parameters	Values
Lower bounds [kp ki kd]	[0 0 0]
Upper bounds [kp ki kd]	[100 100 100]
Stopping criteria	100
Population size	40
Cross over fraction	0.4

Table2: The parameters of the genetic algorithms.

PSO

PSO is a robust stochastic optimization technique based on the movement and intelligence of swarms. The components of PSO are Swarm Size, Velocity, position components and maximum no of iteration. Here I have consider the following objective function

$$F = (1 - \exp(-0.5)) * (M_p) + \exp(-0.5) * (t_s - t_r)$$

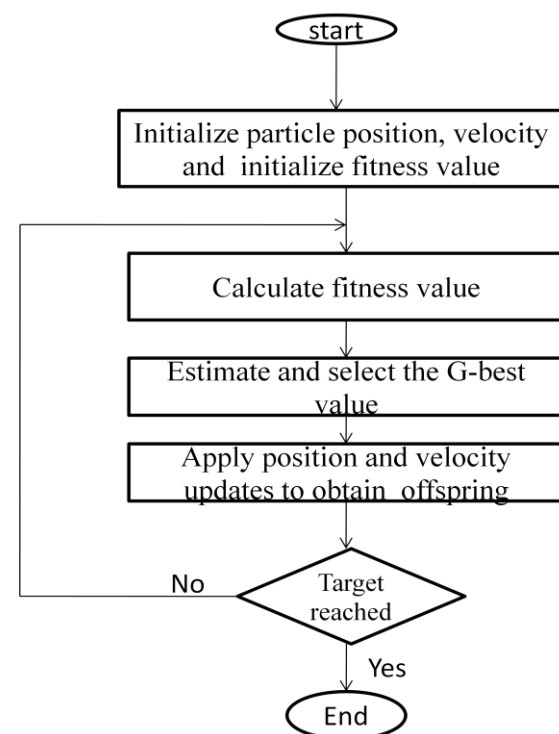
M_p = peak overshoot, t_r = rise time,

t_s = settling time

Algorithm of PSO

1. Create an initial population of particles with random positions and velocities within the solution space.
2. For each particle, calculate the value of the fitness function.
3. Compare the fitness of each particle with *local-best*. If current solution is better than its *local-best*, then replace its *local best* by the current solution.
4. Compare the fitness of all the particles with *global best*. If the fitness of any particle is better than *global best*, then replace *global best*.
5. Update the velocity and positions of all particles using velocity update equations.
6. Repeat steps (2)-(5) until a stopping criterion is met.

FLOW CHART OF PSO



Block Diagram Of Dc Servo Motor With Pid Controllr :

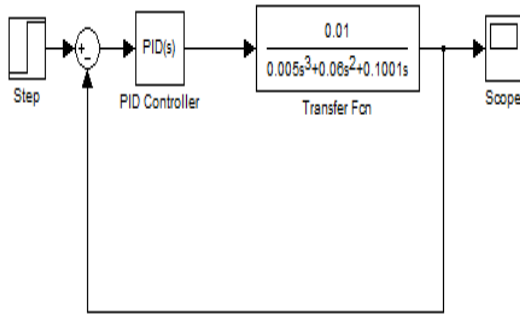


Fig4: Block diagram of servo motor

STEP RESPONSE OF PSO

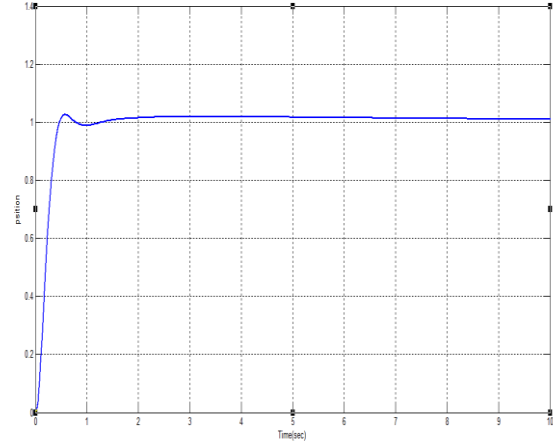


FIG 7: STEP RESPONSE OF PSO

STEP RESPONSE OF Z-N METHOD:

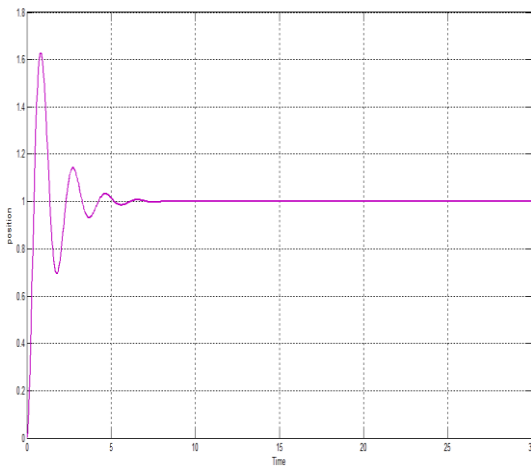


Fig5: Step response of Z-N method

COMPARISONS OF ALL WAVE FORMS:

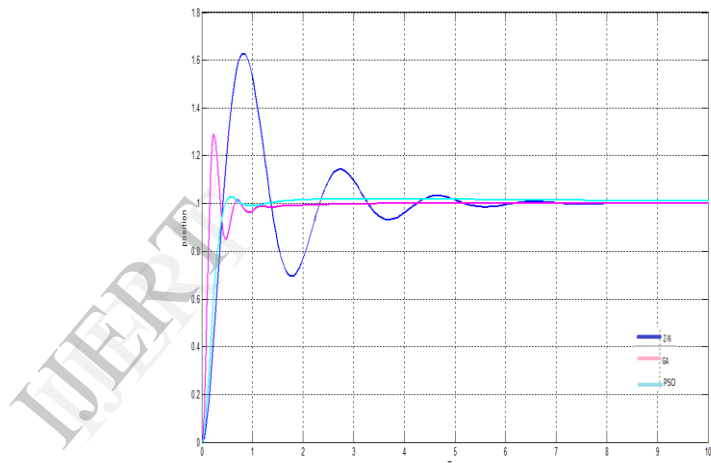


Fig8: Comparisons of all Wave form

STEP RESPONSE OF GA

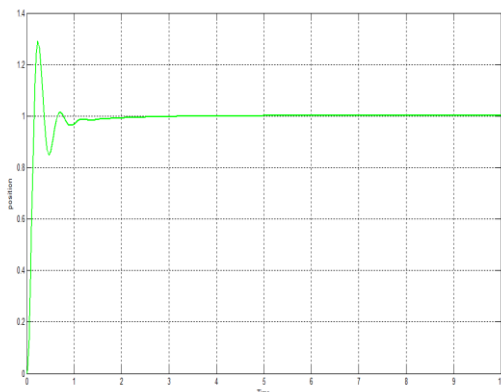


FIG 6: STEP RESPONSE OF GA

Comparisons of all methods

parameters	ZN	GA	PSO
Settling time(sec)	5.0139	1.6	0.56
Rise time(Sec)	0.2901	0.25	0.35
Peak over shoot (%)	61.74	30	3
Fitness fun value	17.57	0.7225	0.4668

Table3: comparison of all methods

CONCLUSION:

In this paper conventional and soft computing methods for position control of DC servo motor is used. Soft computing techniques to the optimum tuning of PID controllers led to a satisfactory close loop response. By comparing the all methods PSO gives better response in terms of performance indices. The draw backs associated with GAs may have a tendency to converge towards local optima or even arbitrary points rather than the global optimum of the problem is over come in PSO .This work may be extending by using advanced genetic algorithm and also using evolutionary algorithms.

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