Digital Control Systems (DCS)

Lecture-2 Modeling of Digital Control Systems



Lecture Outline

- Sampling Theorem
- ADC Model
- DAC Model
- Combined Models

- Sampling is necessary for the processing of analog data using digital elements.
- Successful digital data processing requires that the samples reflect the nature of the analog signal and that analog signals be recoverable from a sequence of samples.

• Following figure shows two distinct waveforms with identical samples.



 Obviously, faster sampling of the two waveforms would produce distinguishable sequences.

- Thus, it is obvious that sufficiently fast sampling is a prerequisite for successful digital data processing.
- The sampling theorem gives a lower bound on the sampling rate necessary for a given **band-limited** signal (i.e., a signal with a known finite bandwidth)

• The band limited signal with

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$$\begin{array}{ll}f(t) \xrightarrow{\mathscr{Y}} F(j\omega), & F(j\omega) \neq 0, & -\omega_m \leq \omega \leq \omega_m\\ , & F(j\omega) = 0, & Elsewhere\end{array}$$

can be reconstructed from the discrete-time waveform

$$f^*(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)\delta(t-kT)$$

• if and only if the sampling angular frequency $\omega_s = 2\pi/T$ satisfies the condition

$$\omega_s > 2\omega_m$$

- A given signal often has a finite "effective bandwidth" beyond which its spectral components are negligible.
- This allows us to treat physical signals as band limited and choose a suitable sampling rate for them based on the sampling theorem.
- In practice, the sampling rate chosen is often larger than the lower bound specified in the sampling theorem.
- A rule of thumb is to choose ω_s as

$$\omega_s = k\omega_m, \qquad 5 \le k \le 10$$

 $\omega_s = k\omega_m$, $5 \le k \le 10$

- The choice of k depends on the application.
- In many applications, the upper bound on the sampling frequency is well below the capabilities of state-of-the-art hardware.
- A closed-loop control system cannot have a sampling period below the minimum time required for the output measurement; that is, the sampling frequency is upperbounded by the sensor delay.

- For example, oxygen sensors used in automotive air/fuel ratio control have a sensor delay of about 20 ms, which corresponds to a sampling frequency upper bound of 50 Hz.
- Another limitation is the computational time needed to update the control.
- This is becoming less restrictive with the availability of faster microprocessors but must be considered in sampling rate selection.

- For a linear system, the output of the system has a spectrum given by the product of the frequency response and input spectrum.
- Because the input is not known a priori, we must base our choice of sampling frequency on the frequency response.

Selection of Sampling Frequency (1st Order Systems)

• The frequency response of first order system is

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{K}{j\omega/\omega_b + 1}$$

- where K is the DC gain and ω_b is the system bandwidth.
- Time constant and 3db bandwidth relationship

$$\omega_b = \frac{1}{T}$$

$$f_{3db} = \frac{1}{2\pi T}$$

Selection of Sampling Frequency (1st Order Systems)



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Selection of Sampling Frequency (1st Order Systems)

- The frequency response amplitude drops below the DC level by a factor of about 10 at the frequency $7\omega_b$.
- If we consider $\omega_m = 7\omega_b$, the sampling frequency is chosen as

$$\omega_s = 7k\omega_b, \qquad 5 \le k \le 10$$

• OR

$$\omega_s = k\omega_b, \qquad 35 \le k \le 70$$

Selection of Sampling Frequency (2nd Order Systems)

• The frequency response of second order system is

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{K}{j2\zeta\omega/\omega_n + 1 - (\omega/\omega_n)^2}$$

The bandwidth of the system is approximated by the damped natural frequency

$$\omega_d = \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$$

• Using a frequency of $7\omega_d$ as the maximum significant frequency, we choose the sampling frequency as

$$\omega_s = k\omega_d, \qquad 35 \le k \le 70$$

 Given a first-order system of bandwidth 10 rad/s, select a suitable sampling frequency and find the corresponding sampling period.

Solution

 $\omega_b = 10 \ rad/sec$

• We know

$$\omega_s = k\omega_b$$
, $35 \le k \le 70$

• Choosing k=60

$$\omega_s = 60\omega_b = 600 \ rad/sec$$

• Corresponding sapling period is calculated as

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_s} = \frac{2 \times 3141}{600} = 0.01 \, sec$$

Home work

• Fort he following first-order system select a suitable sampling frequency and find the corresponding sampling period.

$$G(s) = \frac{10}{s+1}$$

Home work

• Consider the following second order transfer function. Select a suitable sampling period for the system.

$$G(s) = \frac{16}{s^2 + 8s + 16}$$

 A closed-loop control system must be designed for a damping ratio of about 0.7, and an undamped natural frequency of 10 rad/s. Select a suitable sampling period for the system if the system has a sensor delay of 0.02 sec.

Solution

• Let the sampling frequency be

$$\omega_s \ge 35\omega_d$$
$$\omega_s \ge 35\omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}$$

$$\omega_s \geq 35 \times 10\sqrt{1-0.7^2}$$

 $\omega_s \ge 249.95 \quad rad / s$

• The corresponding sampling period is

$$T \le \frac{2 \times 3.141}{249.95}$$

 $T \le 0.025 \ sec$ $T \le 25 \ ms$

• A suitable choice is *T* = 20 ms because this is equal to the sensor delay.

Home Work

 A closed-loop control system must be designed for a damping ratio of about 0.7, and an undamped natural frequency of 10 rad/s. Select a suitable sampling period for the system if the system has a sensor delay of 0.03 sec.

Home Work

 The following open-loop systems are to be digitally feedback-controlled. Select a suitable sampling period for each if the closed-loop system is to be designed for the given specifications.

1.
$$G(s) = \frac{1}{s+3}$$
, sensor delay=0.025s
2. $G(s) = \frac{1}{s^2+7s+25}$, sensor delay=0.03s

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• A common configuration of digital control system is shown in following figure.



ADC Model

- Assume that
 - ADC outputs are exactly equal in magnitude to their inputs (i.e., quantization errors are negligible)
 - The ADC yields a digital output instantaneously
 - Sampling is perfectly uniform (i.e., occur at a fixed rate)
- Then the ADC can be modeled as an ideal sampler with sampling period *T*.



Sampling Process



$$u^*(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u(t)\delta(t - kT)$$

DAC Model

- Assume that
 - DAC outputs are exactly equal in magnitude to their inputs.
 - The DAC yields an analog output instantaneously.
 - DAC outputs are constant over each sampling period.



Then the input-output relationship of the DAC is given by

$$u(k) \xrightarrow{ZOH} u_h(t) = u(k), \qquad kT \le t \le (k+1)T$$

DAC Model

• Unit impulse response of ZOH



 The transfer function can then be obtained by Laplace transformation of the impulse response.

DAC Model

 As shown in figure the impulse response is a unit pulse of width T.



• A pulse can be represented as a positive step at time zero followed by a negative step at time *T*.



 Using the Laplace transform of a unit step and the time delay theorem for Laplace transforms,

$$\mathcal{I}{u(t)} = \frac{1}{s} \qquad \qquad \mathcal{I}{-u(t-T)} = -\frac{e^{-Ts}}{s}$$

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DAC Model

$$\mathcal{I}{u(t)} = \frac{1}{s}$$
 $\mathcal{I}{-u(t-T)} = -\frac{e^{-Ts}}{s}$

• Thus, the transfer function of the ZOH is

$$G_{ZOH}(s) = \frac{1 - e^{-Ts}}{s}$$

• The cascade of a DAC, analog subsystem, and ADC is shown in following figure.



 Because both the input and the output of the cascade are sampled, it is possible to obtain its z-domain transfer function in terms of the transfer functions of the individual subsystems.

 Using the DAC model, and assuming that the transfer function of the analog subsystem is G(s), the transfer function of the DAC and analog subsystem cascade is



$$G_{ZA}(s) = G_{ZOH}(s)G(s)$$

$$G_{ZA}(s) = \frac{1 - e^{-Ts}}{s} G(s)$$

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• The corresponding impulse response is

$$G_{ZA}(s) = \frac{G(s) - G(s) e^{-Ts}}{s}$$

$$G_{ZA}(s) = \frac{G(s)}{s} - \frac{G(s) e^{-Ts}}{s}$$

 The impulse response is the analog system step response minus a second step response delayed by one sampling period.

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• Inverse Laplace yields

$$g_{ZA}(t) = g_s(t) - g_s(t - T)$$

• Where
$$g_s(t) = \mathcal{I}^{-1}\left\{\frac{G(s)}{s}\right\}$$

$$g_{ZA}(t) = g_s(t) - g_s(t - T)$$

• The analog response is sampled to give the sampled impulse response



- $g_{ZA}(kT) = g_s(kT) g_s(kT T)$
- By z-transforming, we can obtain the z-transfer function of the DAC (zero-order hold), analog subsystem, and ADC (ideal sampler) cascade.

$$g_{ZA}(kT) = g_s(kT) - g_s(kT - T)$$

• Z-Transform is given as

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}\{g_{S}^{*}(t)\}$$
$$G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}\left[\mathcal{I}^{-1}\left\{\frac{G(s)}{s}\right\}^{*}\right]$$

- The * in above equation is to emphasize that sampling of a time function is necessary before *z*-transformation.
- Having made this point, the equation can be rewritten more concisely as $G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}\left[\frac{G(s)}{s}\right]$

 Find G_{ZAS}(z) for the cruise control system for the vehicle shown in figure, where u is the input force, v is the velocity of the car, and b is the viscous friction coefficient.





Solution

• The transfer function of system is given as

$$G(s) = \frac{V(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{1}{Ms+b}$$

• Re-writing transfer function in standard form

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{\tau s + 1} = \frac{K/\tau}{s + 1/\tau}$$

$$G(s) = \frac{K/\tau}{s+1/\tau}$$

- Where K = 1/b and $\tau = M/b$
- Now we know

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}\left[\frac{G(s)}{s}\right]$$

- Therefore, $\frac{G(s)}{s} = \frac{K/\tau}{s(s+1/\tau)}$
- The corresponding partial fraction expansion is

$$\frac{G(s)}{s} = \left(\frac{K}{\tau}\right) \left[\frac{\tau}{s} - \frac{\tau}{s+1/\tau}\right]$$

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}\left[\left(\frac{K}{\tau}\right)\left\{\frac{\tau}{s} - \frac{\tau}{s + 1/\tau}\right\}\right]$$

• Using the *z*-transform table, the desired *z*-domain transfer function is

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}\left[K\left\{\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s + 1/\tau}\right\}\right]$$

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = \frac{z - 1}{z} \left[K \left\{ \frac{z}{z - 1} - \frac{z}{z - e^{-T/\tau}} \right\} \right]$$

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = \left[K \left\{ 1 - \frac{z - 1}{z - e^{-T/\tau}} \right\} \right]$$

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$$G_{ZAS}(z) = K \frac{z - e^{-\frac{T}{\tau}} - z + 1}{z - e^{-T/\tau}}$$

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = K \frac{1 - e^{-\frac{T}{\tau}}}{z - e^{-T/\tau}}$$

• Find $G_{ZAS}(z)$ for the vehicle position control system, where u is the input force, y is the position of the car, and b is the viscous friction coefficient.





Solution

• The transfer function of system is given as

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

• Re-writing transfer function in standard form

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{s(\tau s+1)} = \frac{K/\tau}{s(s+\frac{1}{\tau})}$$

• Where
$$K = 1/b$$
 and $\tau = M/b$

• Now we know

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}\left[\frac{G(s)}{s}\right]$$

- Therefore, $\frac{G(s)}{s} = \frac{K/\tau}{s^2(s+1/\tau)}$
- The corresponding partial fraction expansion is

$$\frac{G(s)}{s} = K \left[\frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{\tau}{s} + \frac{\tau}{s+1/\tau} \right]$$

• The desired z-domain transfer function can be obtained as

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}K\left[\frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{\tau}{s} + \frac{\tau}{s + 1/\tau}\right]$$

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = \frac{z-1}{z} K \left[\frac{z}{(z-1)^2} - \frac{\tau z}{z-1} + \frac{\tau z}{z-e^{-T/\tau}} \right]$$

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = K \left[\frac{1}{z-1} - \tau + \frac{\tau(z-1)}{z-e^{-T/\tau}} \right]$$

$$G_{ZAS}(z) = K \left[\frac{\left(1 - \tau + \tau e^{-\frac{T}{\tau}}\right)_{z} + \left[\tau - e^{-\frac{T}{\tau}}(\tau + 1)\right]}{(z - 1)(z - e^{-T/\tau})} \right]$$

Home work

 Find G_{ZAS}(z) for the series R-L circuit shown in Figure with the inductor voltage as output.

