# **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

$$
f(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\rightarrow} F(j\omega), \qquad F(j\omega) \neq 0, \qquad -\omega_m \leq \omega \leq \omega_m
$$
  
, 
$$
F(j\omega) = 0, \qquad Elsewhere
$$

• 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  $\omega_{\rm s}=2\pi/T$ 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  $\omega_s$  as

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

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

- 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 (1<sup>st</sup> 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  $\omega_b$  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 (1<sup>st</sup> Order Systems)



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#### Selection of Sampling Frequency (1<sup>st</sup> Order Systems)

- The frequency response amplitude drops below the DC level by a factor of about 10 at the frequency  $7\omega_h$ .
- 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

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

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

$$
\omega_s \ge 35\omega_d
$$
  

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

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

• The corresponding sampling period is

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

 $T \leq 0.025$  sec  $T \leq 25$  ms

• A suitable choice is  $T = 20$  ms because this is equal to the sensor delay.  $\omega_s \ge 249.95$  *rad* / *s*<br> *g* sampling period is<br>  $T \le \frac{2 \times 3.141}{249.95}$ <br>  $T \le 0.025$  *sec*<br>  $T \le 25$  *ms*<br>
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## 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

# Digital Control Systems

• 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,

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

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

• 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.

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



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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

$$
G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 - z^{-1}) \mathcal{Z} \{g_s^*(t)\}\
$$

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

- 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  $G_{ZAS}(z) = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}$  $G(s)$

 $\overline{S}$ 

Find  $G_{\text{ZAS}}(z)$  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,  $G(s)$  $\overline{S}$ =  $K/\tau$  $s(s+1/\tau)$
- 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

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

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

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

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

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

• Find  $G_{\text{ZAS}}(z)$  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  $\tau = M/b$  
$$
S(s + \frac{1}{\tau})
$$

• Now we know

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

- Therefore,  $G(s)$  $\overline{S}$ =  $K/\tau$  $s^2(s + 1/\tau)$
- 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

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

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

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

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

### Home work

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

