

**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. ( $t_{Iu}$ )
    - Set  $t_I = 3t_{Iu}$
    - 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 cause 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	$0.6K_{CU}$	$P_{CU}/2$	$P_{CU}/8$
Someovershoot	$0.33K_{CU}$	$P_{CU}/2$	$P_{CU}/3$
Noovershoot	$0.2K_{CU}$	$P_{CU}/2$	$P_{CU}/3$

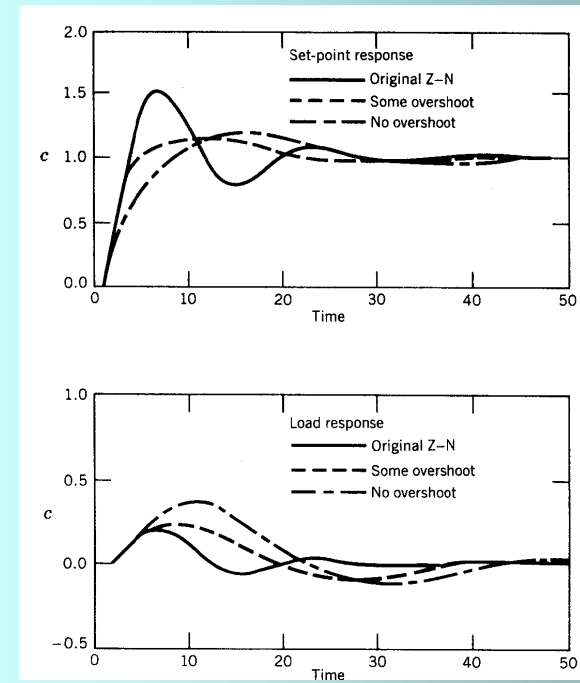
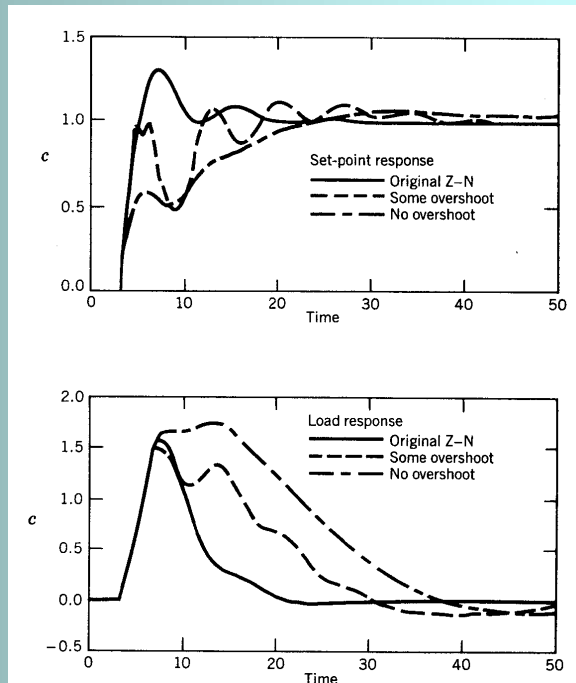
## • Examples

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

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

Controller	$K_C$	$t_I$	$t_D$
Original	0.57	6.0	1.5
Someovershoot	0.31	6.0	4.0
Noovershoot	0.19	6.0	4.0

Controller	$K_C$	$t_I$	$t_D$
Original	4.73	5.8	1.45
Someovershoot	2.60	5.8	3.87
Noovershoot	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**

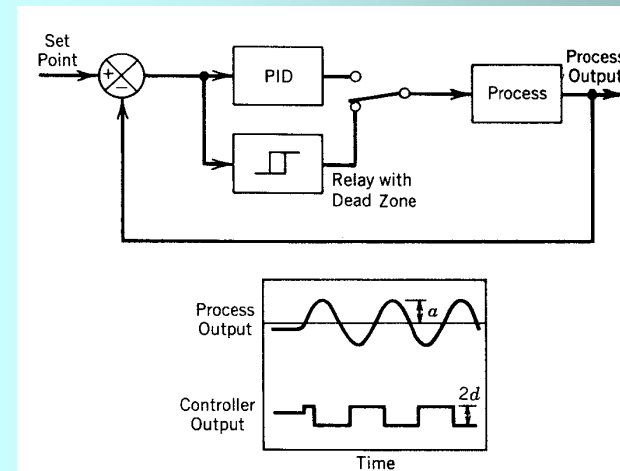
- Forces the system to oscillate by a relay controller
- Require a single closed-loop experiment to find the ultimate frequency information
- No *a priori* information on process is required
- Switch relay feedback controller for tuning
- Find  $P_{CU}$  and calculate  $K_{CU}$

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

- 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

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

- **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**

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

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

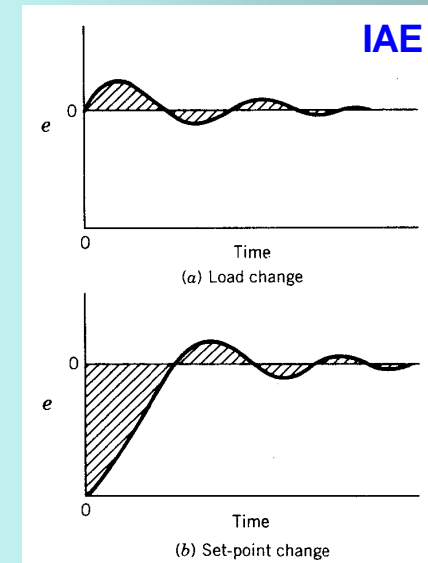
$$\text{ISE} = \int_0^{\infty} [e(t)]^2 dt$$

- 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**

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

- 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]<sup>a</sup>**

<i>Type of Input</i>	<i>Type of Controller</i>	<i>Mode</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>
Load	PI	P	0.859	-0.977
		I	0.674	-0.680
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 <sup>b</sup>	-0.165 <sup>b</sup>
Set point	PID	P	0.965	-0.85
		I	0.796 <sup>b</sup>	-0.1465 <sup>b</sup>
		D	0.308	0.929

<sup>a</sup>Design relation:  $Y = A(\theta/\tau)^B$  where  $Y = KK_c$  for the proportional mode,  $\tau/\tau_I$  for the integral mode, and  $\tau_D/\tau$  for the derivative mode.

<sup>b</sup>For 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

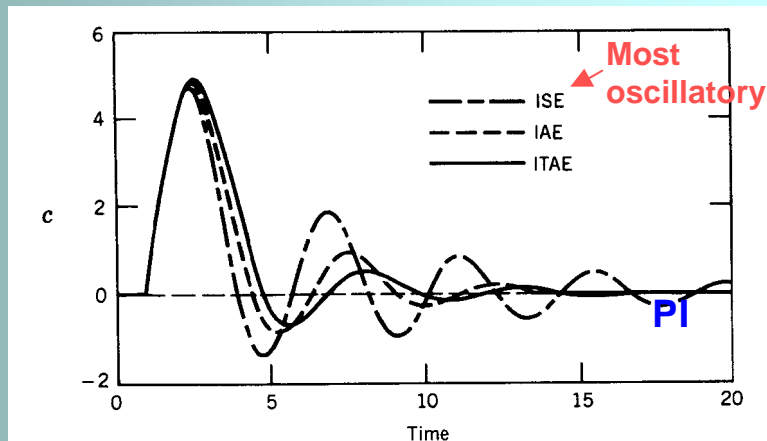
$$G(s) = \frac{10e^{-s}}{2s+1}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow K_c = 0.169$$

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

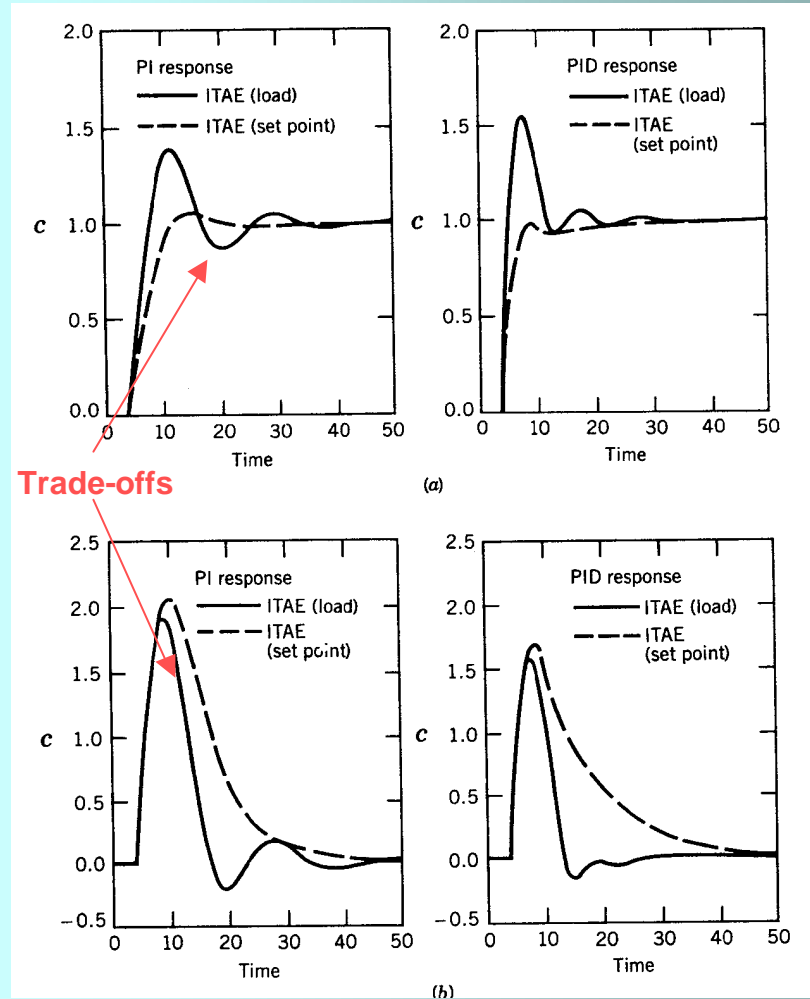
$$\Rightarrow t_I = 1.85$$



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

## Example2

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



- **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)**

<i>Controller Type</i>	$K_c$	$\tau_I$	$\tau_D$
P	$\frac{1}{\theta S^*}$	—	—
PI	$\frac{0.9}{\theta S^*}$	3.33 $\theta$	—
PID	$\frac{1.2}{\theta S^*}$	2 $\theta$	0.5 $\theta$

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

# 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)**

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{(t_1s+1)(t_2s+1)} \quad \text{and} \quad (Y/R)_d = 1$$

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

2. **Finite settling time for 1<sup>st</sup>-order process**

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

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

3. **Finite settling time for 2<sup>nd</sup>-order process**

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{(t_1s+1)(t_2s+1)} \quad \text{and} \quad (Y/R)_d = \frac{1}{t_c s+1}$$

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



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

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

(not a PID) ↑ Physically realizable

2. **With 1<sup>st</sup>-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.  $G(s) = \frac{Ke^{-q s}}{(t_1 s + 1)(t_2 s + 1)}$  and  $(Y/R)_d = \frac{e^{-q s}}{t_c s + 1}$  ( $q_c = q$ )

$$G_c(s) = \frac{(t_1 s + 1)(t_2 s + 1)}{K} \frac{1}{(t_c + q) s} = \frac{(t_1 + t_2)}{K(t_c + q)} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{(t_1 + t_2) s} + \frac{t_1 t_2}{(t_1 + t_2) s^2} \right) \text{ (PID)}$$

- **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.

- 1<sup>st</sup>-order model without time delay: PI
- FOPDT with 1<sup>st</sup>-order Taylor series approx.: PI
- 2<sup>nd</sup>-order model without time delay: PID
- SOPDT with 1<sup>st</sup>-order Taylor series approx.: PID

- Delay modifies the  $K_c$ .

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

- 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

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

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

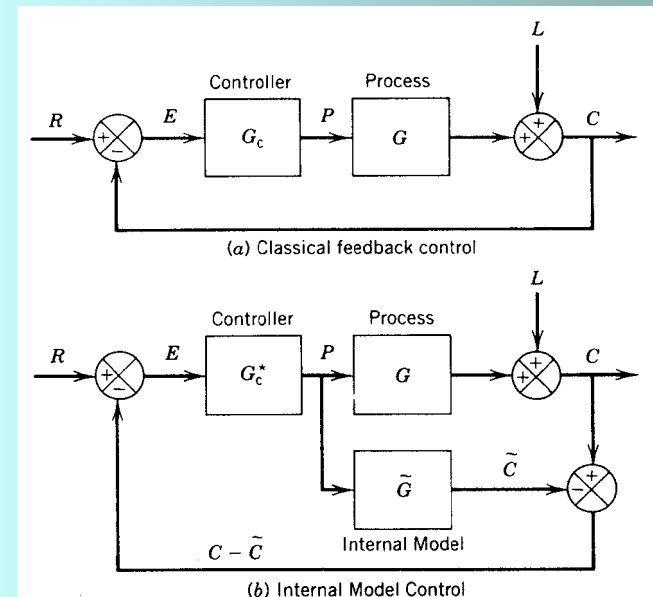
$$\Rightarrow P = G_c^* (R - C) / (1 - G_c^* \tilde{G})$$

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

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

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

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



- **IMC design strategy**

- Factor the process model as

$$\tilde{G} = \tilde{G}_+ \tilde{G}_-$$

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**

$$\tilde{G} = \frac{K(1 - \mathbf{q}s/2)}{(1 + \mathbf{q}s/2)(\mathbf{t}s + 1)}$$

$$\tilde{G}_+ = 1 - \mathbf{q}s/2 \quad \tilde{G}_- = \frac{K}{(1 + \mathbf{q}s/2)(\mathbf{t}s + 1)}$$

$$G_c^* = \frac{1}{\tilde{G}_-} f = \frac{(1 + \mathbf{q}s/2)(\mathbf{t}s + 1)}{K} \frac{1}{(\mathbf{t}_c s + 1)}$$

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

$$K_c = \frac{1}{K} \frac{(\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{q}/2)}{(\mathbf{t}_c + \mathbf{q}/2)} \quad \mathbf{t}_I = \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{q}/2 \quad \mathbf{t}_D = \frac{\mathbf{t}\mathbf{q}/2}{\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{q}/2}$$

## IMC based PID controller settings

**Table 12.1 IMC-Based PID Controller Settings for  $G_c(s)$  [4]<sup>a</sup>**

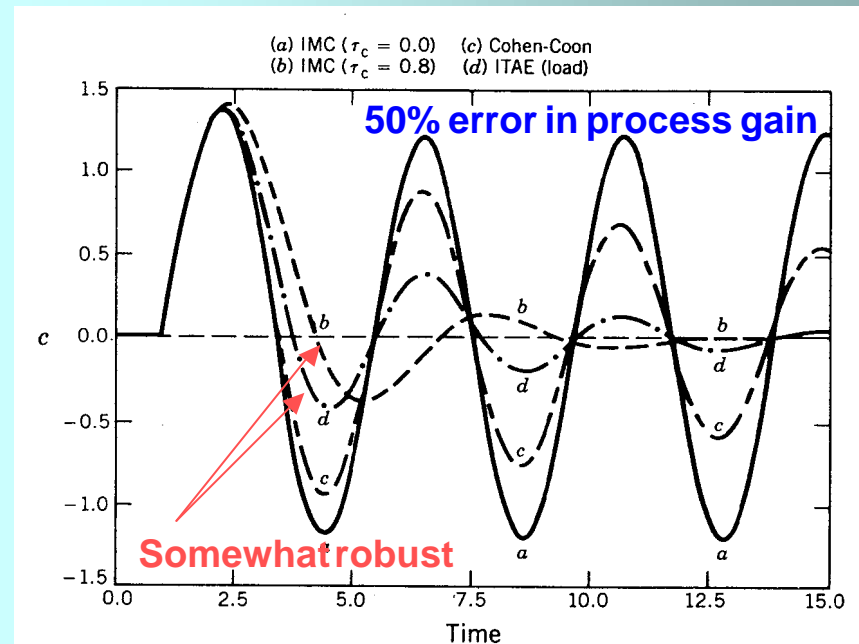
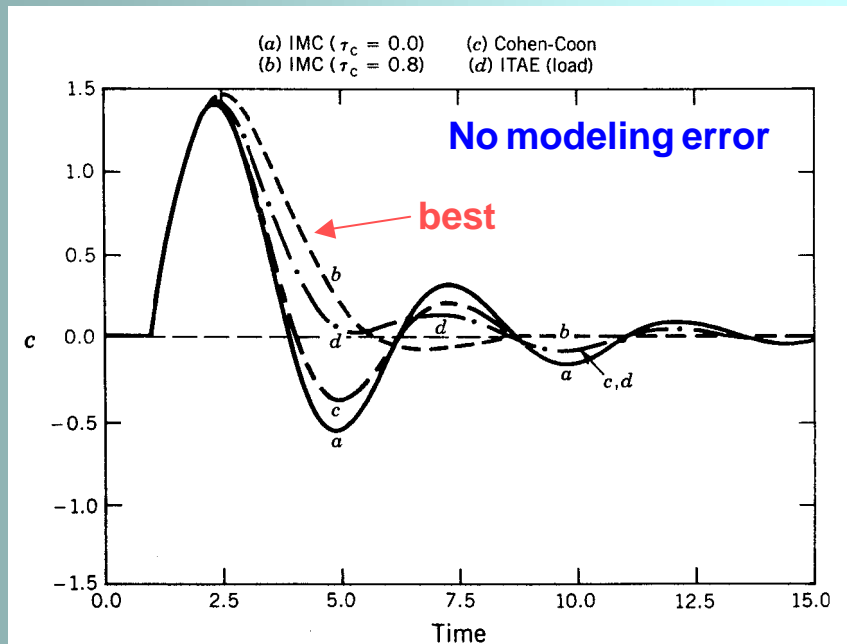
Case	Model	$K_c K$	$\tau_I$	$\tau_D$
A	$\frac{K}{\tau s + 1}$	$\frac{\tau}{\tau_c}$	$\tau$	—
B	$\frac{K}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)}$	$\frac{\tau_1 + \tau_2}{\tau_c}$	$\tau_1 + \tau_2$	$\frac{\tau_1 \tau_2}{\tau_1 + \tau_2}$
C	$\frac{K}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1}$	$\frac{2\zeta\tau}{\tau_c}$	$2\zeta\tau$	$\frac{\tau}{2\zeta}$
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	$\frac{K}{s(\tau s + 1)}$	$\frac{1}{\tau_c}$	—	$\tau$

<sup>a</sup>Based 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**

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

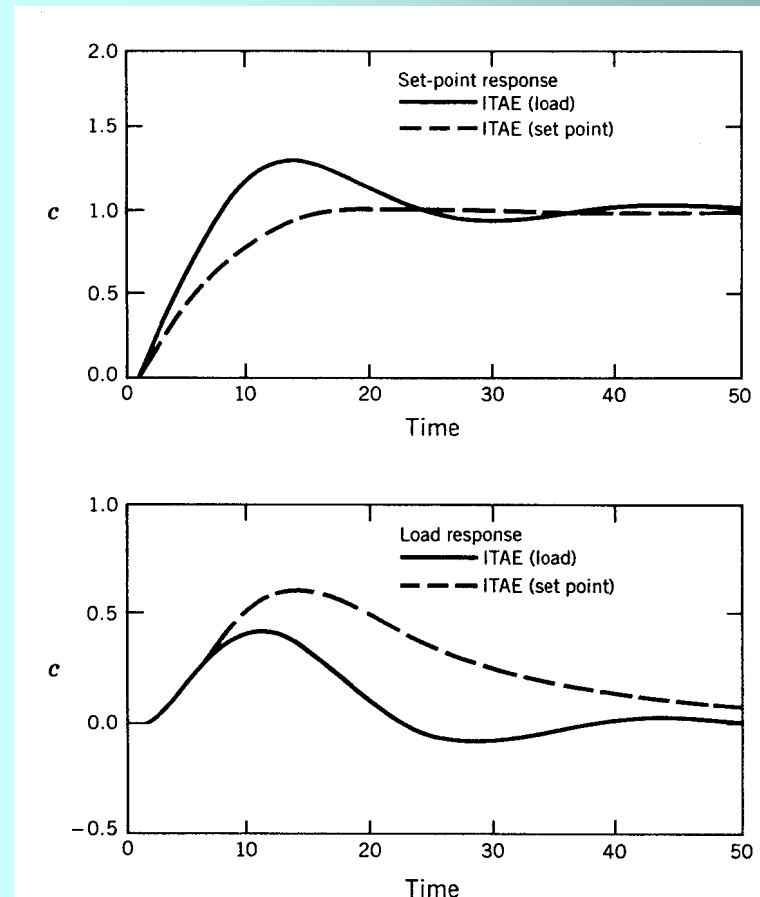
- **Approx. model**

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

- 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.