## Lecture 9 - Processes with Deadtime, IMC

- Processes with deadtime
- Model-reference control
- Deadtime compensation: Dahlin controller
- IMC
- Youla parametrization of all stabilizing controllers
- Nonlinear IMC
  - Dynamic inversion Lecture 13
  - Receding Horizon MPC Lecture 12

#### Processes with deadtime

• Examples: transport deadtime in mining, paper, oil, food



#### Processes with deadtime

• Example: resource allocation in computing



### Control of process with deadtime

• PI control of a deadtime process PLANT:  $P = z^{-5}$ ; PI CONTROLLER:  $k_p = 0.3$ ,  $k_1 = 0.2$  $P = e^{-sT_D}$ continuous time 0.8 0.6  $P = z^{-d}$  discrete time 0.4 0.2 0 10 15 5 20 25 0 Can we do better? DEADBEAT CONTROL  $\frac{PC}{1+PC} = z^{-d}$ – Make 0.8 0.6 0.4 - Deadbeat controller 0.2 -d1 5 10 15 20 0 25

$$PC = \frac{z}{1 - z^{-d}} \Longrightarrow C = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-d}}$$

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u(t) = u(t - d) + e(t)

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### Model-reference control

- Deadbeat control has bad robustness, especially w.r.t. deadtime
- More general model-reference control approach

- make the closed-loop transfer function as desired  

$$\frac{P(z)C(z)}{1+P(z)C(z)} = Q(z)$$

$$C(z) = \frac{1}{P(z)} \cdot \frac{Q(z)}{1-Q(z)}$$

Works if Q(z) includes a deadtime, at least as large as in P(z)

### Dahlin's controller

- Eric Dahlin worked for IBM in San Jose (?)  $\bullet$ then for Measurex in Cupertino.
- Dahlin's controller, 1968  ${\bullet}$

$$P(z) = \frac{g(1-b)}{1-bz^{-1}} z^{-d}$$

- plant, generic first order response with deadtime
- $Q(z) = \frac{1 \alpha}{1 \alpha z^{-1}} z^{-d} \qquad \text{• reference model}$

$$C(z) = \frac{1 - bz^{-1}}{g(1 - b)} \cdot \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha z^{-1} - (1 - \alpha)z^{-d}} \quad \bullet \text{ Dahlin's controller}$$

Single tuning parameter:  $\alpha$  - tuned controller



### Dahlin's controller

- Dahlin's controller is broadly used through paper industry in supervisory control loops Honeywell-Measurex, 60%.
- Direct use of the identified model parameters.



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- continuous time *s*
- discrete time *z*

### IMC and Youla parametrization

• Sensitivities



 $Q = \frac{C}{1 + CP_0} \bullet \text{ If } Q \text{ is stable, then } S, T, \text{ and the loop are stable}$  $\bullet \text{ If loop is stable, then } Q \text{ is stable}$ 

- Choosing various stable Q parameterizes all stabilizing controllers
- This is called Youla parameterization
- Youla parameterization is valid for unstable systems as well

# Q-loopshaping

- Systematic controller design: select Q to achieve the tradeoff
- The approach used in modern advanced control design:  $H_2/H_{\infty}$ , LMI,  $H_{\infty}$  loopshaping
- *Q*-based loopshaping:

$$S = 1 - QP_0$$
  $S \ll 1 \Rightarrow Q \approx (P_0)^{-1}$  • in band

• Recall system inversion In

### Q-loopshaping

- Loopshaping
  - $S = 1 QP_0$   $S \ll 1 \Rightarrow Q \approx (P_0)^{-1}$  in band  $T = QP_0$   $T \ll 1 \Rightarrow QP_0 \ll 1$  • out of band
- Lambda-tuned IMC †

$$Q = FP_0^{\dagger}, \quad S = 1 - QP_0 \approx 1 - F$$

$$F = \frac{1}{(1 + \lambda s)^n}$$
Loop@aping

- *F* is called IMC filter,  $F \approx T$ , reference model for the output
- For minimum phase plant  $Q = FP_0^{\dagger} = F(P_0)^{-1}, \quad T = F$

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### IMC extensions

- Multivariable processes
- Nonlinear process IMC
- Dynamic inversion in flight control Lecture 13 ?
- Multivariable predictive control Lecture 12

## Nonlinear process IMC

- Can be used for nonlinear processes
  - linear Q
  - nonlinear model  $P_0$
  - linearized model L



# Industrial applications of IMC

- Multivariable processes with complex dynamics
- Demonstrated and implemented in process control by academics and research groups in very large corporations.
- Not used commonly in process control (except Dahlin controller)
  - detailed analytical models are difficult to obtain
  - field support and maintenance
    - process changes, need to change the model
    - actuators/sensors off
    - add-on equipment

#### Dynamic inversion in flight control



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### Dynamic inversion in flight control

- NASA JSC study for X-38
- Actuator allocation to get desired forces/moments
- Reference model (filter): vehicle handling and pilot 'feel'
- Formal robust design/analysis (μ-analysis etc)



### Summary

- Dahlin controller is used in practice
  - easy to understand and apply
- IMC is not really used much
  - maintenance and support issues
- Youla parameterization is used as a basis of modern advanced control design methods.
  - Industrial use is very limited.
- Dynamic inversion is used for high performance control of air and space vehicles
  - this was presented for breadth, the basic concept is simple
  - need to know more of advanced control theory to apply in practice