

**TWO DEGREE OF FREEDOM (2DOF) MOTION CONTROL OF
UPPER LIMB ROBOTIC ARM MECHANISM**

ABDUL RAHMAN BIN KHAIRUDDIN

**BACHELORS OF MECHATRONICS ENGINEERING WITH
HONOURS
UNIVERSITI TEKNIKAL MALAYSIA MELAKA**

2019

**TWO DEGREE OF FREEDOM (2DOF) MOTION CONTROL OF UPPER LIMB
ROBOTIC ARM MECHANISM**

ABDUL RAHMAN BIN KHAIRUDDIN

**A report submitted
in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of
Bachelor of Mechatronics Engineering with Honours**

Faculty of Electrical Engineering

UNIVERSITI TEKNIKAL MALAYSIA MELAKA

2019

DECLARATION

I declare that this report entitled “Two Degree of Freedom (2DOF) Motion Control of Upper Limb Robotic Arm Mechanism” is the result of my own work except for quotes as cited in the references.

Signature :

Author :

Date :

APPROVAL

I hereby declare that I have read this thesis and in my opinion, this thesis is sufficient in terms of scope and quality for the award of Bachelor of Mechatronic Engineering with Honours.

Signature :

Supervisor Name :

Date :

DEDICATION

To my beloved mother and father.

ABSTRACT

The project's main purpose is to plan a controller which can control the yield plot for an upper limb of robotic arm. A structure of mechanical arm of two degree of freedom (2-DOF) designed and optimized. Study is done to explore the controller to be connected on the mechanical arm. PID controller is picked and analysed in term of its execution, for example, rise time, settling time, steady-state error, and overshoot. The experimental setup is carried out. Open loop simulation are first done to acquire the transfer function of each of the motor. Simulation for an uncompensated framework is done to watch the closed loop system characteristics without utilizing the controllers. From that point onward, closed loop simulations are completed for compensated system by utilizing PID controller. Two kinds of trials are done, to be specific point to point direction control and tracking control tests. Investigation is made dependent on the outcomes acquired.

ABSTRAK

Tujuan utama projek ini adalah untuk mereka bentuk pengawal yang dapat mengawal sudut keluaran untuk lengan robot. Struktur lengan robot dua darjah kebebasan (2-DOF) direka dan dioptimumkan. Kajian dijalankan untuk mengkaji jenis pengawal yang sesuai untuk digunakan pada lengan robot. Pengawal PID dipilih dan dikaji dari segi prestasinya seperti kesilapan keadaan mantap, masa penyelesaian, masa meningkat dan 'overshoot'. Persediaan eksperimen dijalankan. Simulasi 'open loop' mula-mula dijalankan untuk mendapatkan fungsi pemindahan setiap motor. Simulasi untuk sistem 'uncompensated' dijalankan untuk memerhatikan ciri sistem 'closed loop' tanpa menggunakan pengawal. Selepas itu, simulasi 'closed loop' dijalankan untuk sistem 'compensated' menggunakan pengawal PID. Dua jenis eksperimen dijalankan, iaitu titik ke arah kawalan trajektori dan eksperimen kawalan penjejakan. Analisis dibuat berdasarkan hasil yang diperoleh.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I find the relief that my journey cannot be completed without the help of many people. I had accepted many useful assists and guideline from many different persons during the whole performance of my Final Year Project. I love to extent my deepest gratitude and appreciation to these people. Firstly, I felt very fortune to have Dr. Mariam Binti Md Ghazaly, my supervisor who guide me throughout this project. Thank you for expertise and consistent advised.

Furthermore, I must share my special thanks of gratitude to my parents for providing me the opportunity to study at university and giving me finance and mentally support throughout my study life and thee whole period of my FYP. This accomplishment would not have been done or completed without them.

Last but not least, I would resemble my indebtedness to all my course mates for willing to share and help me to complete my FYP with their knowledge and experiences. I perceive my FYP as a huge breakthrough in profession growth. I will make great effort to practice added talents and knowledge and I will endure to effort on the development, in direction to achieve preferred career goals.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

DECLARATION	
APPROVAL	
DEDICATION	
ABSTRACT	i
ABSTRAK	ii
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS	iii
TABLE OF CONTENTS	iv
LIST OF FIGURES	viii
LIST OF TABLES	xii
LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS	xiv
LIST OF APPENDICES	xv
CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION	1
1.1 Motivation	1
1.2 Problem Statement	2
1.3 Objective	2
1.4 Scope and Limitation	3

CHAPTER 2 LITERATURE REVIEW	4
2.1 Introduction	4
2.2 Robotics	4
2.3 Upper limb robotic arm	5
2.4 Motor	8
2.5 Controllers	10
2.6 Summary	15
CHAPTER 3 METHODOLOGY	16
3.1 Introduction	16
3.2 Research Methodology	16
3.2.1 Project Methodology	17
3.2.2 Experiment Methodology	17
3.3 Structure of Robotic Arm	17
3.4 Equipment usage	20
3.4.1 12V DC Geared Motor with Hall Effect Encoder by Cytron	20
3.4.2 Micro-Box 2000/2000C (xPC Target Machine)	21
3.4.3 Motor Driver Circuit	22
3.5 System Overview	23
3.6 Calibration of Encoder for DC Geared Motor	24
3.7 Open Loop Control	24

3.8	System Identification Tools	27
3.9	Development of Closed Loop System	28
3.9.1	Development of Uncompensated Closed Loop System	28
3.9.2	Controller Design	30
3.9.3	Design and Development of Compensated Closed Loop System with Proportional-Integral-Derivative (PID) Controller	30
3.9.4	Tuning Methods	32
3.9.5	Trial and Error Method	32
3.9.6	Ziegler-Nichols Method	33
CHAPTER 4 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION		34
4.1	Introduction	34
4.2	Open Loop Test	35
4.2.1	Linearity	50
4.3	Uncompensated System	52
4.3.1	Point to Point Trajectory Control for Uncompensated System	52
4.3.2	Tracking Control for Uncompensated System	56
4.4	Compensated System with PID controller	60
4.4.1	Point to Point Trajectory Control with PID controller	60
4.4.1.1	Trial and Error	60
4.4.1.2	Ziegler Nichols	68
4.4.2	Tracking Control with PID controller	76

	vii
4.5 Summary	82
CHAPTER 5 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION	83
5.1 Conclusion	83
5.2 Recommendation	85
REFERENCES	87
APPENDICES	91

LIST OF FIGURES

Figure 2.1: Robotic Mechanism.....	5
Figure 2.2: Illustration of an Upper Appendage of Automated Arm with (2DOF) [8]	6
Figure 2.3: Type of Control Methods for Robotic Arm.....	10
Figure 2.4: Different Arm Movement [23]	11
Figure 2.5: Comparison of Three Controllers for RMS Error. Bar Charts Represent Mean Values for Twenty Two Motions and Error Bars represent Maximum and Minimum Values [23].....	12
Figure 2.6: Comparison of Three Controllers for Correlation Factors [23].....	12
Figure 2.7: Comparison of Three Controllers for Mean Absolute Error [23].....	13
Figure 2.8: Experiment result in the upper displacement zone [24]	14
Figure 3.1: Drawing of the Robotic Arm Mechanism	18
Figure 3.2: Structure of first link (a) Front view, (b) Back view, (c) Side view, (d) Top view, (e) Bottom view	18
Figure 3.3: Structure of second link (a) Top view, (b) Bottom view, (c) Back view, (d) Side view	19
Figure 3.4: Structure of robotic after assemble all the parts	19
Figure 3.5: DC Geared Encoder Motor and its Detachable Cover	21
Figure 3.6: Components of Micro-Box Module	23

Figure 3.7: System Concept	24
Figure 3.8: Block Diagram of Open Loop System	25
Figure 3.9: The Open Loop System Model Block Diagram	26
Figure 3.10: Real Time Simulation and Experimental Block Diagram.....	27
Figure 3.11: System Identification Tools.....	28
Figure 3.12: The Block Diagram of the Uncompensated Closed Loop System for the Robotic Arm.....	29
Figure 3.13: The Uncompensated Closed System Block Diagram in Simulink	29
Figure 3.14: Block diagram of a typical PID controller	31
Figure 3.15: Compensated Closed Loop System with PID Controller using MATLAB Simulink.....	31
Figure 4.1: Simulation and experiment flow	35
Figure 4.2: Input voltage and Output Angle Versus Times Graph, (2V).....	40
Figure 4.3: Input voltage and Output Angle Versus Times Graph, (3V).....	41
Figure 4.4: Input voltage and Output Angle Versus Times Graph, (4V).....	42
Figure 4.5: Input voltage and Output Angle Versus Times Graph, (5V).....	43
Figure 4.6: Input voltage and Output Angle Versus Times Graph, (6V).....	44
Figure 4.7: Input voltage and Output Angle Versus Times Graph, (7V).....	45
Figure 4.8: Input voltage and Output Angle Versus Times Graph, (8V).....	46
Figure 4.9: Input voltage and Output Angle Versus Times Graph, (9V).....	47
Figure 4.10: Input voltage and Output Angle Versus Times Graph, (10V)	48
Figure 4.11: The Error of the Output Angle from the Voltages Applied (2V-10V)..	49
Figure 4.12: Error of the output angle when 5V is applied as input (lowest error) ...	50
Figure 4.13: Graph of output angles against input voltages	51

Figure 4.14: The performance of the robotic arm for 15° of reference angle.....	53
Figure 4.15: The performance of the robotic arm for 30° of reference angle.....	54
Figure 4.16: The performance of the robotic arm for 60° of reference angle.....	55
Figure 4.17: Results of tracking error experiment for an uncompensated system with input angle of 15°	57
Figure 4.18: Results of tracking error experiment for an uncompensated system with input angle of 30°	58
Figure 4.19: Results of tracking error experiment for an uncompensated system with input angle of 60°	59
Figure 4.20: Result of Point to Point Trajectory Control Experiment for PID Control with Input Angle of 15° and K_p value of 30	61
Figure 4.21: Result of Point to Point Trajectory Control Experiment for PID Control with Input Angle of 30° and K_p value of 30	62
Figure 4.22: Result of Point to Point Trajectory Control Experiment for PID Control with Input Angle of 60° and K_p value of 30	63
Figure 4.23: Result of Point to Point Trajectory Control Experiment for PID Control with Input Angle of 15° and K_p value of 30 K_d value is 1	65
Figure 4.24: Result of Point to Point Trajectory Control Experiment for PID Control with Input Angle of 30° and K_p value of 30 K_d value is 1	66
Figure 4.25: Result of Point to Point Trajectory Control Experiment for PID Control with Input Angle of 60° and K_p value of 30 K_d value is 1	67
Figure 4.26: Results of Point to Point Trajectory Control Experiment for a PID Control System with input angle 180° and K_p value of 120.	70
Figure 4.27: Results of Point to Point Trajectory Control Experiment for a PID Control System with input angle 180° and K_p value of 120 (reduced scale).	71
Figure 4.28: Point-to-Point Trajectory Control Experiment Results for a 15 ° Input Angle PID Control System, 72 K_p and 0.88992 K_d value.....	73
Figure 4.29: Point-to-point trajectory control experiment results for a 30 ° input-angle PID control system, 72 K_p and 0.88992 K_d value	74

Figure 4.30: Point-to-point trajectory control experiment results for a 60° input-angle PID control system, $72 K_p$ and $0.88992 K_d$ value	75
Figure 4.31: Performance of PID controller designed by using Trial and Error method with Sine Wave Signal for 15° at 0.1 Hz	78
Figure 4.32: Performance of PID controller designed by using Trial and Error method with Sine Wave Signal for 30° at 0.1 Hz	79
Figure 4.33: Performance of PID controller designed by using Ziegler's Nichols method with Sine Wave Signal for 15° at 0.1 Hz	80
Figure 4.34: Performance of PID controller designed by using Ziegler's Nichols method with Sine Wave Signal for 30° at 0.1 Hz	81

LIST OF TABLES

Table 2.1: The Type and Characteristic for Automated Arms [7]	7
Table 2.2: Comparison of Multiple Motor Types in Terms of Their Pros and Cons [26]	9
Table 3.1: Specification of Motor	20
Table 3.2: Micro-Box Components	22
Table 3.3: Open Loop Simulation Parameters	26
Table 3.4: Parameters of Transient Response and the Effects Caused by Manipulating (P), (I), and (D) values	32
Table 3.5: Controller Parameters of Ziegler-Nichols Step Response Method	33
Table 4.1: System Identification Results for DC Motor ($V_{in} = 2V$)	40
Table 4.2: System Identification Results for DC Motor ($V_{in} = 3V$)	41
Table 4.3 System Identification Results for DC Motor ($V_{in} = 4V$)	42
Table 4.4: System Identification Results for DC Motor ($V_{in} = 5V$)	43
Table 4.5: System Identification Results for DC Motor ($V_{in} = 6V$)	44
Table 4.6: System Identification Results for DC Motor ($V_{in} = 7V$)	45
Table 4.7: System Identification Results for DC Motor ($V_{in} = 8V$)	46
Table 4.8: System Identification Results for DC Motor ($V_{in} = 9V$)	47
Table 4.9 System Identification Results for DC Motor ($V_{in} = 10V$)	48
Table 4.10: Data of output angle obtained when voltage is applied to the motor.	51

Table 4.11: Parameters for Point to Point Trajectory Control Experiments	53
Table 4.12: Parameters for Tracking Control Experiment	56
Table 4.13: Parameters for Point to Point Experiments using PID Controller	60
Table 4.14: Performance of Robotic Arm with PID Controller for Experimental with K_p value of 30	63
Table 4.15: Performance of Robotic Arm with PID Controller for Simulation with K_p value of 30	64
Table 4.16: Performance of Robotic Arm with PID Controller for Experimental with K_p value of 30 and K_d value is 1	67
Table 4.17: Performance of Robotic Arm with PID Controller for Simulation with K_p value 30 and K_d value is 1	68
Table 4.18: Point to Point Experiments Parameters using PID controller	69
Table 4.19: Parameters of PID controller obtained from simulation results	72
Table 4.20: Parameters for Point-to-Point Experiments using PID controller	73
Table 4.21: Performance of Robotic Arm with PID Controller for Experimental with K_p value of 72 and K_d value of 0.88992	75
Table 4.22: Performance of Robotic Arm with PID Controller for Simulation with K_p value of 72 and K_d value of 0.88992	76

LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

DOF	-	Degree of Freedom
K_p	-	Proportional Gain
K_i	-	Integral Gain
K_d	-	Derivative Gain
K_u	-	Ultimate Gain
T_i	-	Integrator Time Constant
T_u	-	Ultimate Period
T_d	-	Derivative Time Constant
T_r	-	Rise Time
T_s	-	Settling Time
E_{ss}	-	Steady State Error
OS	-	Overshoot

LIST OF APPENDICES

APPENDIX A PROJECT RESEARCH METHODOLOGY IN FLOW CHART	91
APPENDIX B EXPERIMENT METHODOLOGY FLOW CHART	92
APPENDIX C PROJECT'S GANTT CHART	93

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Motivation

Robots are progressively being incorporated into working undertakings to supplant people particularly to play out the monotonous assignment .These robots are right now utilized in numerous fields of uses including office, military errands, healing center tasks, hazardous condition and farming [13]. In this manner, the control of the robot ought to be planned so as to give fitting execution to a nonlinear, multivariable, nonstationary framework [14].

The motivation for this undertaking is to enhance the movement for a robotic arm utilizing position control and dissect the execution of the controllers as far settling time, rise time, and steady-state state error.

1.2 Problem Statement

Improper motion control may result in wounds and casualty. It is critical to improve the capability of a robotic arm along these lines. For movement control of automated arm, it is required to be in high precision, high efficiency, low in error for the output which empower it to decide the correct direction and the torque expected to accomplish a focused on result.

To achieve precise motion control, there are difficulties to obtain the desired output due to the sensitivity of the controller. For example, the parameters for PID controller are rather difficult to estimate in noisy environment while fuzzy logic does not required noise-free environment [1].

1.3 Objective

The main objectives of this project are:

1. To design and optimize the mechanism of 2DOF robotic arm
2. To derive each motor's transfer function by running the open loop test.
3. To design and develop controller to control the position for 2DOF upper limb robotic arm.
4. To analyze and compare the performance of the controller in terms of steady-state error, settling time and rise time.