

Intelligent Command Generation for Flexible Systems

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10-ton Bridge Crane





A Smaller Crane





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Motion Control





Goal: $Y = Y_D$

• G_P - Plant, the system to control

Motion Control





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Feedback Control





Pros

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- Eliminate Y_D-Y errors
- Disturbance rejection

Cons

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- Stability?
- Need sensors, etc.

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Feedforward Control





Pros

- Faster motion
- Compensate for delays

Cons

- No disturbance rejection
- High actuator demands

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Command Generation



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Pros

- Simple implementation
 - No sensors needed
 - Full model not needed
- Human compatible

Cons

- No disturbance rejection
- Increases rise time

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Options for GCG

- Plant/Model Inversion
- Traditional Filters
- Input Shaping

















Input Shaping Process





- Shaper design:
 - Natural Freq.
 - Damping Ratio
- Slight increase in command duration



Convolution with Impulses



Implementation





Implementation





Vibration Equation



$$V(\omega,\zeta) = e^{-\zeta \omega t_n} \sqrt{[C(\omega,\zeta)]^2 + [S(\omega,\zeta)]^2}$$

$$C(\omega,\zeta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i e^{\zeta \omega t_i} \cos(\omega t_i \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})$$
$$S(\omega,\zeta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i e^{\zeta \omega t_i} \sin(\omega t_i \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})$$

 $V(\omega,\zeta)$ is the vibration excited by *n*-impulses.

$V(\omega,\zeta) \leq V_{tol} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Constraint is that} \\ \text{vibration less than V}_{\text{tol}} \end{array}$



All impulses sum to one

$$\sum A_i = 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

This ensures we reach our desired state.

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Specified Negative Amplitude (SNA)

 $0 < A_i \le 1$ when *i* is odd $A_i = -A_{max}$ when *i* is even

$$0 \le \sum_{i=1} A_i \le 1 \quad k = 1, \dots, n$$





Example Closed-Form Shapers





where

- au_d is the damped vibration period

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$$K = e^{\frac{-\zeta \pi}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}}$$

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Measuring Robustness





Insensitivity - the width of a Sensitivity curve where vibration remains under V_{tol}

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The Extra-Insensitive (EI) Shaper



El Shaper Form – Undamped Systems



Undamped EI
$$\equiv \begin{bmatrix} A_i \\ t_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+V_{tol}}{4} & \frac{1-V_{tol}}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\pi}{\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} & \frac{\frac{1+V_{tol}}{4}}{\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

• V_{tol} is the tolerable level of vibration, 0.05 = 5%

Specified Insensitivity (SI) Shapers





Must solve numerically, but can exactly tailor to the system requirements

Damping Matters, but less than Freq.







Shaper Duration v. Insensitivity



General Design Procedure



- Determine nominal system parameters
 - Dominant vibration frequencies (often only 1)
 - Associated damping ratios
- Determine variation of parameters
 - How must robustness is needed?
- Pick shaper or shapers to use
- Plug in frequency and damping to get:
 - Impulse amplitudes
 - Impulse times

Example Multi-mode Crane Oscillation





Convolved Two-Mode Shaper



 Design shaper for each mode, then convolve to get a shaper that eliminates both modes



Multi-mode SI Shapers



Solve for all modes simultaneously → faster shapers

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Cooperative Crane Control





Robot Jumping



- Replacing legs with compliant versions
- Concurrent design of the legs and jumping/running commands



Jumping



- Can be an efficient way to travel:
 - on rough terrain
 - in low gravity environments Astronauts used on

moon walks



A Simple Jumping Robot

- Rod mass m_l
- Actuator mass m_a
- Spring, *k*, and damper, *c* (not shown)

$$\ddot{x} = -\alpha \left(\frac{k}{m}x + \frac{c}{m}\dot{x}\right) - \frac{m_a}{m}\ddot{x}_a - g$$
$$\alpha = \begin{cases} 1, & x \le 0\\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Goal: Design the motion of m_a to optimize jump height





Jumping Commands





Jumping Commands





Input-Shaped Jumping







Stutter Jumping





Jump Timing





Applied to a Hexapod







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