OUTLINE OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERING 3P04: JAN-APRIL, 2017
PROCESS CONTROL

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Lectures: Tu, Th, Fr  08:30-09:20    HH 302

Tutorials: M    09:30-11:20 (T02)    BSB 137
Th    14:30-16:20 (T01)    JHE A101

Office Hours: By appointment.

Tests: Provisional schedule:
Test 1: Week of Jan 30
Test 2: Week of Mar 6
Dates to be confirmed.

Examination: Final examination, 2.5 or 3 hours – to be confirmed.

Calculators: Any calculator may be used in the tests and final exam.

Grading: Assignments 5 % of final grade
         Mid-term 1 12.5% “ “ “
         Mid-term 2 12.5% “ “ “
         Term project 15 % “ “ “
         Final exam 55 % “ “ “

The final percentage grades will be converted to letter grades using the Registrar’s recommended procedure. Adjustments to final grades may be done at the discretion of the instructor.


Supplementary References:
Provisional Course Outline

1. **Process Dynamics**
   - Development of mathematical models
   - Laplace transforms
   - Transfer functions
   - Linearization
   - Open-loop response of first, second and higher-order systems
   - Process identification

2. **Feedback Control Fundamentals & Closed-Loop Analysis**
   - P, PI and PID controllers
   - Block diagrams
   - Routh-Hurwitz stability criterion
   - Instrumentation hardware & representation

3. **Feedback Controller Design**
   - Direct synthesis
   - PID tuning methods

4. **Advanced Control Systems**
   - Feedforward control
   - Cascade control

5. **Control of Multi-Input, Multi-Output Systems**
   - Model development
   - Stability
   - Interaction, Loop pairing - Relative Gain Array
   - Decoupling
   - Control of common industrial process units.

6. **Digital Control – an Introduction**
   - Sampled-data systems
   - Design of digital controllers

7. **Control of Process Plants**

Workshop Sessions, including
   - Simulink
Objective

The course is geared to address the following: Given a process and operational objectives, design a control system which is (i) stable, (ii) has good performance characteristics, and (iii) is robust. This requires knowledge of dynamic behaviour of processes (process modeling, solution of dynamic equations, characterization of dynamic behaviour); control systems; stability and techniques for assessing it; performance criteria and how they are affected by controller parameters.

POLICY REMINDERS:

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1. Plagiarism, e.g. the submission of work that is not one’s own or for which other credit has been obtained.
2. Improper collaboration in group work.
3. Copying or using unauthorized aids in tests and examinations.

Course Changes:
The instructor and university reserve the right to modify elements of the course during the term. The university may change the dates and deadlines for any or all courses in extreme circumstances. If either type of modification becomes necessary, reasonable notice and communication with the students will be given with explanation and the opportunity to comment on changes. It is the responsibility of the student to check their McMaster email and course websites weekly during the term and to note any changes.
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<th>Course outcomes</th>
<th>Corresponding CEAB indicator</th>
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<td>Understand that processes do not operate at steady state all the time</td>
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<td>Use mathematical equations to describe changing process dynamics</td>
<td>• Ability to identify a range of suitable engineering fundamentals (including mathematical techniques) that would be potentially useful for analyzing a technical problem</td>
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<td>Use the PID controller, and know how to tune the parameters in the control loop</td>
<td>• Competence in Specialized Engineering Knowledge</td>
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<td>Determine if a system is stable or unstable, and understand factors that influence closed-loop stability</td>
<td>• Recognizes and follows an engineering design process</td>
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<td>Use of the process reaction curve technique to identify a dynamic process model</td>
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<td>Know when to select and how to implement cascade and feedforward controllers</td>
<td>• Recognizes and follows an engineering design process</td>
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<td>Implement multiloop controllers and understand pairing</td>
<td>• Competence in Specialized Engineering Knowledge</td>
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<td>Use of Simulink to simulate dynamic response of control systems</td>
<td>• The ability to use modern/state of the art tools</td>
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