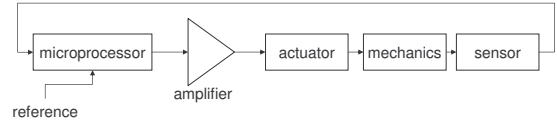


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## Lezione 4 New version

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# Control of a single joint



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# Components

- Digital microprocessor (DSP)
- Amplifier (drives the motor)
- Actuator
- Mechanics/load
- Sensors

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# Analysis tools

- Root locus
- Frequency response

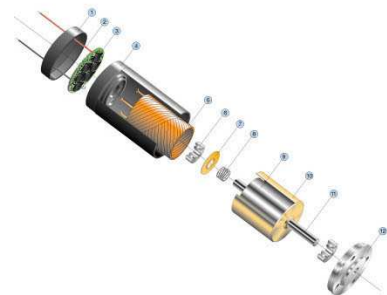
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# Actuators

- Various types:
  - AC, DC, etc.
  - DC
    - Brushless
    - With brushes
- We'll have a look at the DC with brushes, simple to control, widely used in robotics

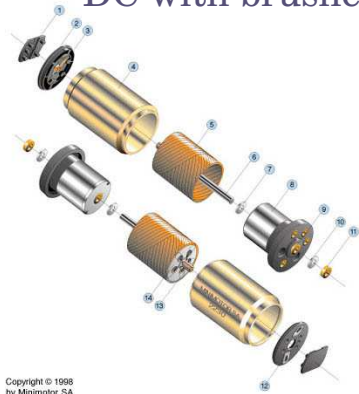
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# DC-brushless



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## DC with brushes



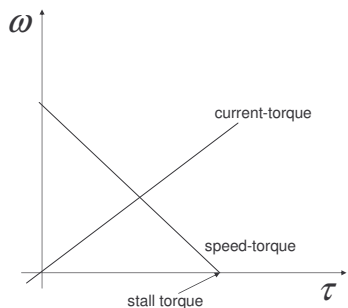
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## Modeling the DC motor

- High stall torque
- Speed-torque and torque-current relationships are linear

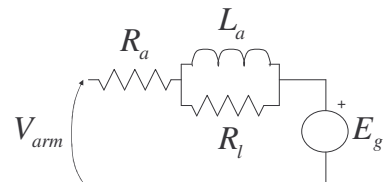
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## In particular



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## Electrical schema



$$E_g = \omega(t)K_E$$

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## Meaning of components

- |           |  |
|-----------|--|
| $R_a$     | • Armature resistance (including brushes)                        |
| $V_{arm}$ | • Armature voltage   |
| $R_l$     | • Losses due to magnetic field                                   |
| $E_g$     | • Back EMF produced by the rotation of the armature in the field |
| $L_a$     | • Coil inductance  |

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## We can write...

$$V_{arm} = R_a I_a + L_a \dot{I}_a + \omega(t)K_E$$

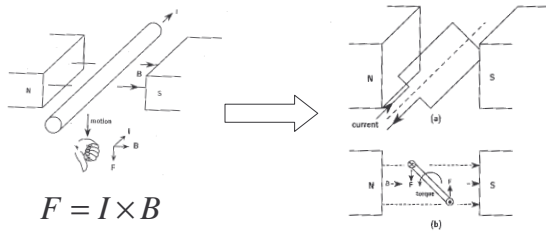
for  $R_l \ll R_a$

which is the case at the frequency of interest, and we also have...

$$\tau = K_T I_a$$

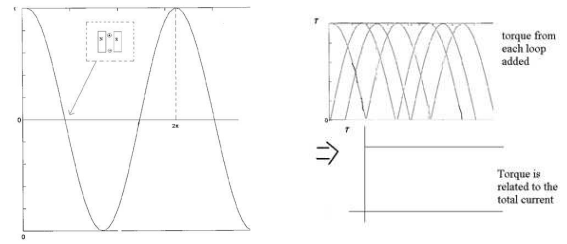
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## On torque and current



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## Thus for many coils...



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## Back to motor modeling...

$$\tau = (J_M + J_L)\dot{\omega}(t) + B\omega(t) + \tau_f + \tau_{gr}$$

- $\tau$  • Torque generated
- $J_M$  • Inertia of the motor
- $J_L$  • Inertia of the load
- $\tau_f$  • Friction
- $\tau_{gr}$  • Gravity

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## Furthermore...

$$V_{arm} = R_a I_a + L_a \dot{I}_a + \omega(t) K_E$$

$$\tau = K_T I_a$$

$$\tau = (J_M + J_L)\dot{\omega}(t) + B\omega(t) + \tau_f + \tau_{gr}$$

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## By Laplace-transforming

$$V_{arm}(s) = R_a I_a(s) + L_a I_a(s)s + \omega(s) K_E \Rightarrow I_a(s) = \frac{V_{arm}(s) - \omega(s) K_E}{R_a + L_a s}$$

$$\tau = K_T I_a$$

$$K_T \frac{V_{arm}(s) - \omega(s) K_E}{R_a + L_a s} = (J_M + J_L)\omega(s)s + B\omega(s) + \tau_f + \tau_{gr}$$

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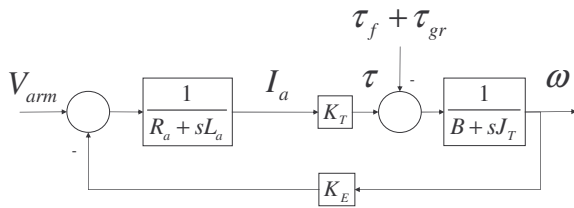
## and finally

$$\frac{\omega(s)}{V_{arm}(s)} = \frac{K_T / L_a J_T}{s^2 + [(R_a J_T + L_a B) / L_a J_T]s + (K_T K_E + R_a B) / L_a J_T}$$

- Considering gravity and friction as additional inputs

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## Block diagram

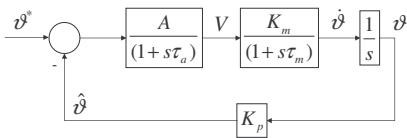


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## A simpler model

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## First block diagram

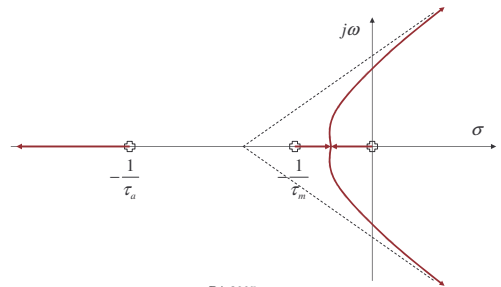


$$H_{open\_loop} = \frac{A}{1 + s\tau_a} \frac{K_m}{1 + s\tau_m} \frac{K_p}{s}$$

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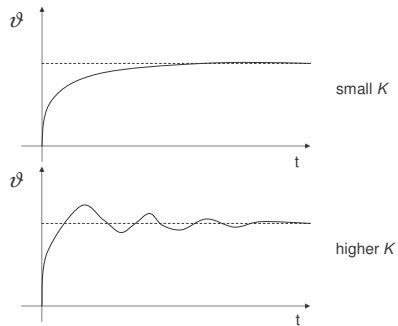
## Root locus

$$H_{open\_loop} = \frac{A}{1 + s\tau_a} \frac{K_m}{1 + s\tau_m} \frac{K_p}{s} \quad K = AK_mK_p$$



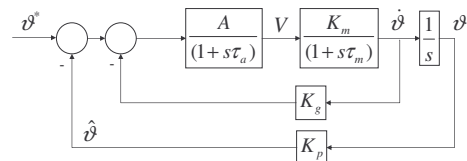
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## Changing K



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## Let's add something second diagram



$$H_{open\_loop} = \frac{AK_m(K_p + sK_g)}{(1 + s\tau_a)(1 + s\tau_m)s}$$

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## Analysis

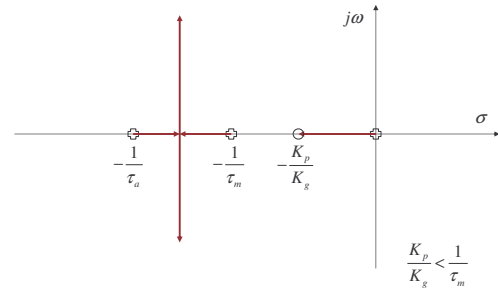
$$H_{open\_loop} = \frac{AK_m K_p (1 + s \frac{K_g}{K_p})}{(1 + s\tau_a)(1 + s\tau_m)s}$$

$$K = AK_m K_p$$

$$Z_{feedback} = \frac{K_g}{K_p}$$

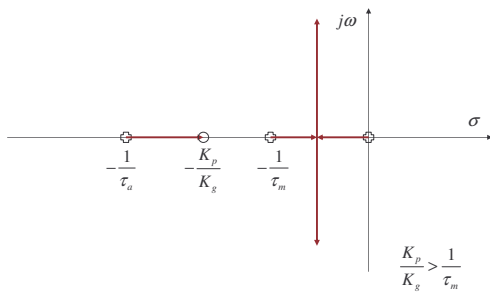
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## Root locus (case 1)



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## Root locus (case 2)

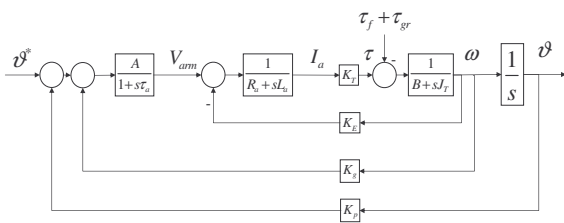


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## Full model

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## Back one lesson



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## Error and performance

$$\vartheta = \frac{\vartheta_d}{s} \quad M(s) = \frac{K_T}{(R_a + sL_a)(B + sJ_T) + K_E K_T}$$

$$\vartheta(s) = \frac{1}{s} \omega(s)$$

closed loop (position)  $\Downarrow$

$$\vartheta(s) = \frac{\frac{1}{s} \omega(s)}{1 + \frac{1}{s} \omega(s) K_p}$$

closed loop (velocity)  $\Downarrow$

$$\omega(s) = \frac{\frac{A}{1 + s\tau_a} M(s)}{1 + \frac{A}{1 + s\tau_a} M(s) K_g}$$

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## finally

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sH(s) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} h(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \frac{\vartheta_d}{s} \vartheta(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{s \frac{1}{s} \frac{\vartheta_d}{s} \omega(s)}{1 + \frac{1}{s} \omega(s) K_p} = \frac{\vartheta_d}{K_p}$$

- For zero error  $K$  must be 1 or the control structure must be different

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## Same line of reasoning

$$\vartheta_{final} = -\frac{T_L R_a}{AK_T K_p}$$

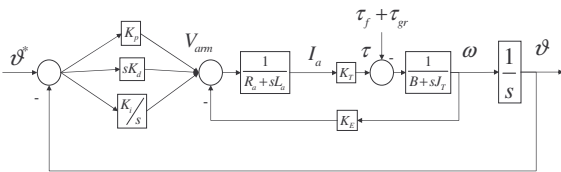
- Final value due to friction and gravity

$$\left| \frac{T_L R_a}{AK_T K_p} \right| \leq \vartheta_{max} \Rightarrow K_p \geq \frac{T_L R_a}{AK_T \vartheta_{max}}$$

$$K_{pmin} = \frac{T_L R_a}{AK_T \vartheta_{max}}$$

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## PID controller



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## PID controller

- We now know why we need the proportional
- We also know why we need the derivative
- Finally, we add the integral
  - Integrates the error, in practice needs to be limited

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## Interpreting the PID

- Proportional: to go where required, linked to the steady-state error
- Derivative: damping
- Integral: to reduce the steady-state error

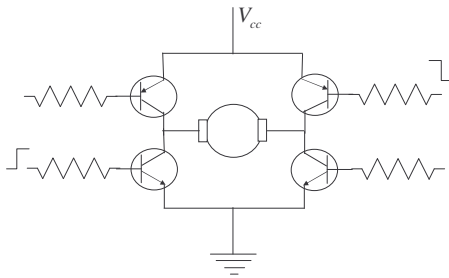
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## About the amplifiers

- Linear amplifiers
  - H type
  - T type
- PWM (switching) amplifiers

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## Let's consider the linear as a starting point



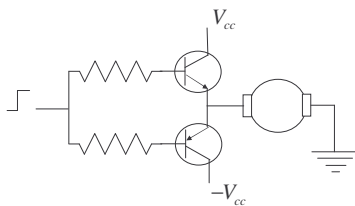
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## H-type

- The motor doesn't have a reference to ground (floating)
- It's difficult to get feedback signals (e.g. to measure the current flowing through the motor)

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## T-type



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## On the T-type

- Bipolar DC supply
- Dead band (around zero)
- Need to avoid simultaneous conduction (short circuit)

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## Things not shown

- Transistor protection (currents flowing back from the motor)
- Power dissipation and heat sink
  - Cooling
- Sudden stop due to obstacles
  - High currents → current limits and timeouts

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