

AN APPROACH TO ANALYSIS OF NON LINEAR CHARACTERISTICS OF MARINE ENGINE'S SPEED REGULATORS

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Abstract

Marine engine speed regulators have been observed as non-linear dynamics models, those mathematical characteristics are similar to system of differential equations. Theoretical and experimental analysis of such has been done, to comprise behaviours of regulator models.

Mathematical approach to equation solutions is determined by well known methods of numeric integration, but approach to Runge-Kutta method was preferred to reach reliable values of unknown system variables. Computer simulation and computer-aided design is the best tool for system modelling representation.

Therefore, an acceptable software algorithm has been presented to enable understanding of software simulated analysis, and to get numerical solutions of system equations.

1. INTRODUCTION

The automatic regulation is presumed to be an algorithm or function, presenting regulating method, [1], [2].

Due to the characteristics of the regulation law, three basic types of regulators could be presented:

- P element (proportional)
- I element (integral)
- D element (derivation)

Universal PID regulator that could simulate any individual or composed regulator, consists of quoted elements. Electronic regulator principles have been observed including PID characteristics of regulation law, and block scheme of the regulator type EGS-990 has been presented. In education purposes, software

algorithm has been developed, based on mathematical numerical methods.

2. ANALYSIS OF NON-LINEAR REGULATOR CHARACTERISTICS

2.1. Basic regulator principles

Universal PID regulator could be presented as following mathematical model:

$$Y = C_p \cdot X + C_i \int X \cdot dt + C_d \cdot \frac{dX}{dt} \quad (1)$$

where X presents input, Y output value and C_p , C_i , C_d are constants of regulator elements.

Regulation principles (Fig. 1.) are based on discrepancy (dX) presenting difference between expected value (X_s) defined by set-up element (S) due to reference value (X_o), and real value (X_m), derived by t-element (transmitter) from input parameter X.

Output from PID regulator (X_r) is amplified (A) and stabilised (B), and proceeded as output regulation value Y.

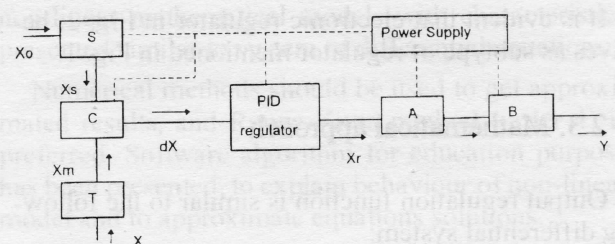


Figure 1. Structural scheme of the speed regulator (PID)

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2.2. Electronic regulator type EGS-990

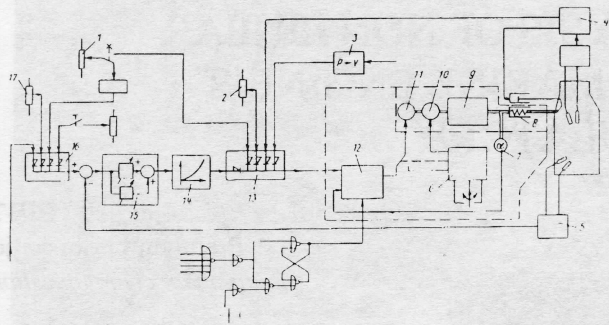


Figure 2. Block scheme of the electronic regulator EGS-990

Electronic regulator EGS-990 (Fig. 2.) consists of the following elements:

- 1 - speed control
- 2 - fuel supply control
- 3 - pressure sensor
- 4 - protection element independent of regulator type
- 5 - sensor block
- 6 - manual control in the case of damaged electronic block
- 7 - linear sensor
- 8 - cogged rod
- 9 - spindle mechanism
- 10 - magnetic switch
- 11 - electric motor
- 12 - electronic block
- 13 - selector
- 14 - electronic compensator
- 15 - PI amplifier
- 16 - electronic selector
- 17 - speed limit block

It is evident that electronic regulator in Fig. 2. behaves as subtype of regulator mentioned in Fig. 1.

2.3. Mathematical approach

Output regulation function is similar to the following differential system:

$$\frac{dy_i}{dt} = f_i(t, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \quad i=1,2,\dots,n \quad (2)$$

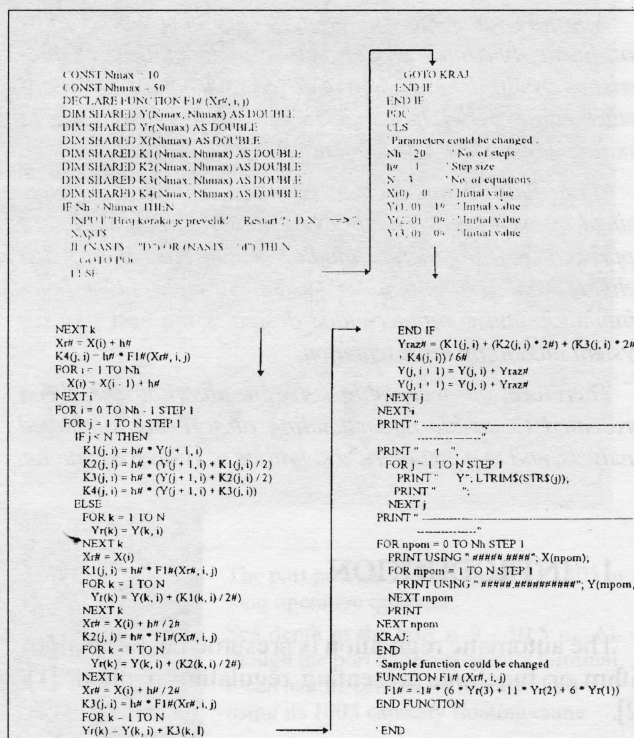
In most cases, exact solutions of equations (2) are not possible and therefore we have to use numerical methods to reach solutions. Well known Runge-Kutta method (order 4) as in [1], could be used to improve approximation and to avoid the analytic differentiation of the function.

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \Delta y \quad (3)$$

Those principles have been used in software algorithm development in next chapter.

2.4. Software design

This algorithm is developed for education purposes and is based on numerical methods mentioned before.



2.5. Influence of constants value of regulator elements on regulation value Y

Graphs on fig. 3. have been obtained according equation 1. They illustrated influence of constants value of regulator elements C_p, C_i, C_d on regulation value Y which depends or changeable input value X. On all graphs input value is changeable like:

- t = 1s, X in accordance with STEP function on 1;
- t = 10s, X in accordance with STEP function on 0;
- t = 20s, X in accordance with RAMP functions to t = 30s;
- from 30 until 50s X = const.
- t = 50s X = STEP function
- t = 60s to 100s X is changing in accordance with SIN function.

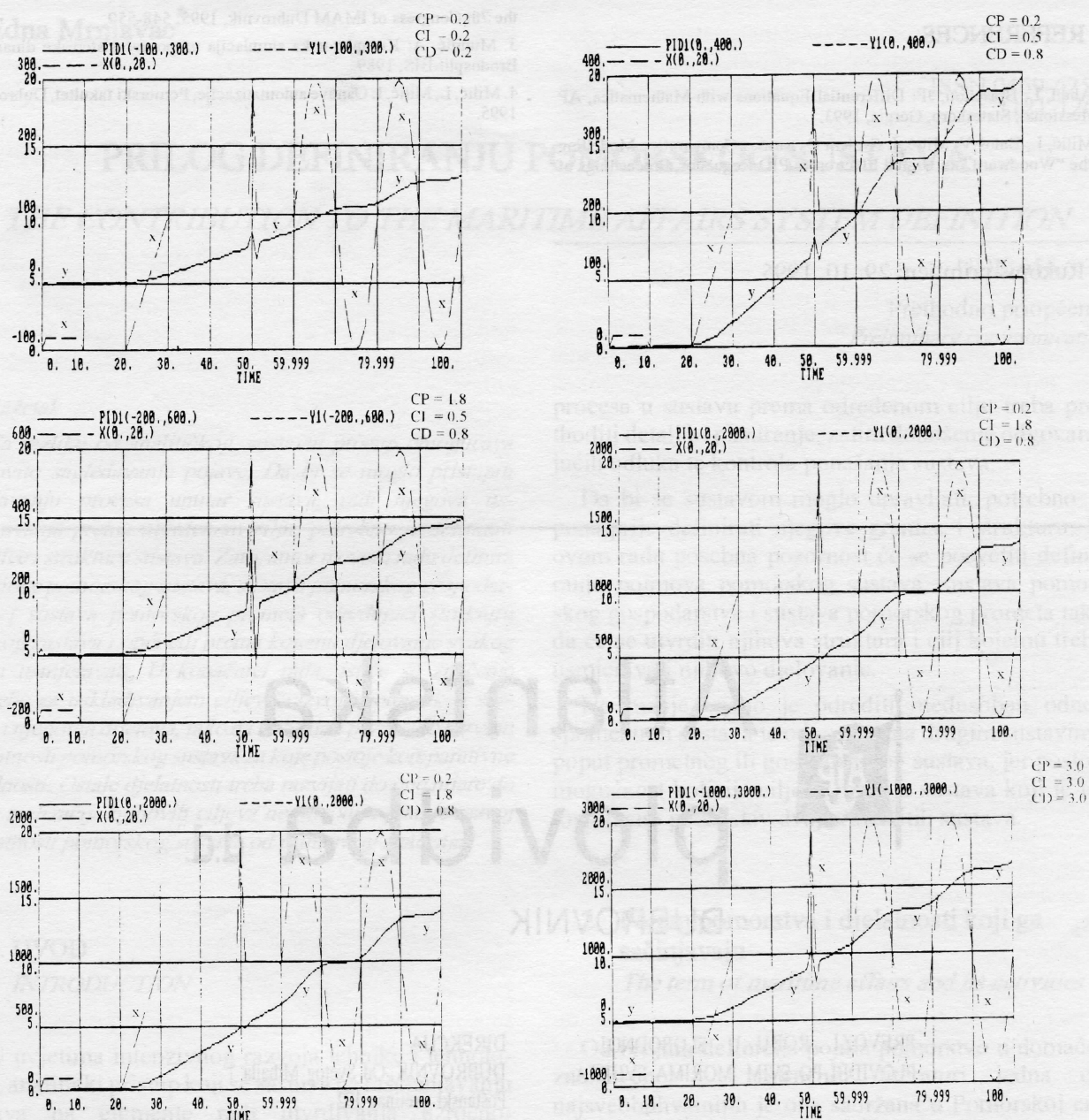


Figure 3. Graphs of PID regulators

Graphs on fig. 3. show us the influence of constants of regulator elements:

- max. output value is 153 if $C_p=0,2$, $C_i=0,2$, $C_d=0,2$;
- max. output value is 393,75 if $C_p=0$, $C_i=0,5$, $C_d=0,8$;
- max. output values is 400 if $C_p = 1,8$, $C_i=0,5$, $C_d=0,8$;
- max. output values is 405 if $C_p=0,2$, $C_i=0,5$, $C_d=1,8$;
- max. output values is 1390 if $C_p=0,2$, $C_i=1,8$, $C_d=0,8$;
- max. output is 2343 if $C_p=3,0$, $C_i=3,0$, $C_d=3,0$.

3. CONCLUSION

Electronic speed regulators have been observed as non-linear mathematical models with characteristics presented similar to system of differential equations.

Numerical methods should be used to get approximated results, and Runge-Kutta method (order 4) is preferred. Software algorithm for education purpose has been presented, to explain behaviour of non-linear model and to approximate equations solutions.

This approach is suitable for presentation and solving complex problems in the technical offices as like in the university education.

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