

Chapter 7

7.1

In the absence of more accurate data, use a first-order transfer function as

$$\frac{T'(s)}{Q_i'(s)} = \frac{Ke^{-\theta s}}{\tau s + 1}$$
$$K = \frac{T(\infty) - T(0)}{\Delta q_i} = \frac{(124.7 - 120)}{540 - 500} = 0.118 \frac{^{\circ}\text{F}}{\text{gal/min}}$$

$$\theta = 3:09 \text{ am} - 3:05 \text{ am} = 4 \text{ min}$$

Assuming that the operator logs a 99% complete system response as “no change after 3:34 am”, 5 time constants elapse between 3:09 and 3:34 am.

$$5\tau = 3:34 \text{ min} - 3:09 \text{ min} = 25 \text{ min}$$

$$\tau = 25/5 \text{ min} = 5 \text{ min}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{T'(s)}{Q_i'(s)} = \frac{0.188e^{-4s}}{5s + 1}$$

To obtain a better estimate of the transfer function, the operator should log more data between the first change in T and the new steady state.

7.2

$$\text{Process gain, } K = \frac{h(5.0) - h(0)}{\Delta q_i} = \frac{(6.52 - 5.50)}{30.4 \times 0.1} = 0.336 \frac{\text{min}}{\text{ft}^2}$$

a) Output at 63.2% of the total change

$$= 5.50 + 0.632(6.52 - 5.50) = 6.145 \text{ ft}$$

Interpolating between $h = 6.07 \text{ ft}$ and $h = 6.18 \text{ ft}$

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$$\tau = 0.6 + \frac{(0.8 - 0.6)}{(6.18 - 6.07)} (6.145 - 6.07) \text{ min} = 0.74 \text{ min}$$

b)

$$\left. \frac{dh}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \approx \frac{h(0.2) - h(0)}{0.2 - 0} = \frac{5.75 - 5.50}{0.2} \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{min}} = 1.25 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{min}}$$

Using Eq. 7-15,

$$\tau = \frac{KM}{\left(\left. \frac{dh}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \right)} = \frac{0.347 \times (30.4 \times 0.1)}{1.25} = 0.84 \text{ min}$$

c) The slope of the linear fit between t_i and $z_i \equiv \ln \left[1 - \frac{h(t_i) - h(0)}{h(\infty) - h(0)} \right]$ gives an approximation of $(-1/\tau)$ according to Eq. 7-13.

Using $h(\infty) = h(5.0) = 6.52$, the values of z_i are

t_i	z_i	t_i	z_i
0.0	0.00	1.4	-1.92
0.2	-0.28	1.6	-2.14
0.4	-0.55	1.8	-2.43
0.6	-0.82	2.0	-2.68
0.8	-1.10	3.0	-3.93
1.0	-1.37	4.0	-4.62
1.2	-1.63	5.0	$-\infty$

Then the slope of the best-fit line, using Eq. 7-6 is

$$\text{slope} = \left(-\frac{1}{\tau} \right) = \frac{13S_{tz} - S_t S_z}{13S_{tt} - (S_t)^2} \quad (1)$$

where the datum at $t_i = 5.0$ has been ignored.

Using definitions,

$$\begin{aligned} S_t &= 18.0 & S_{tt} &= 40.4 \\ S_z &= -23.5 & S_{tz} &= -51.1 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting in (1),

$$\left(-\frac{1}{\tau} \right) = -1.213 \quad \tau = 0.82 \text{ min}$$

d)

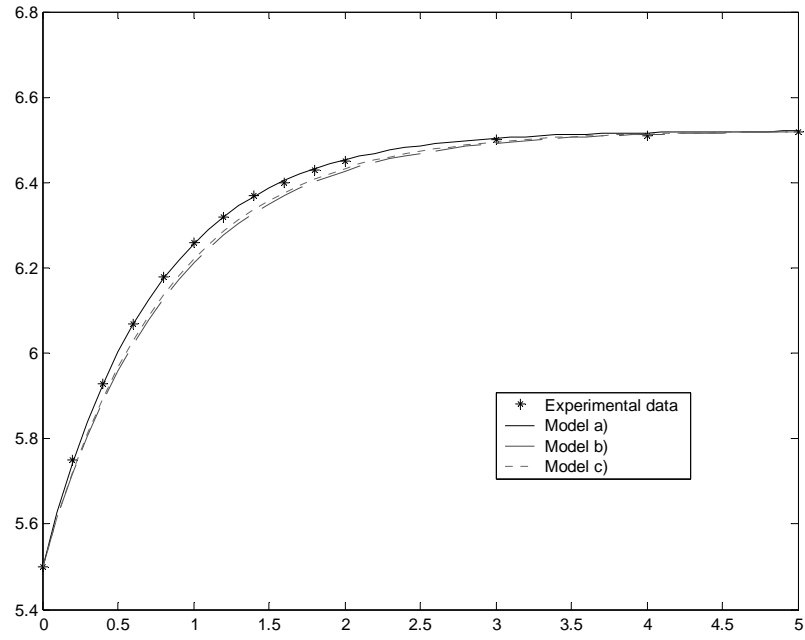


Figure S7.2. Comparison between models a), b) and c) for step response.

7.3

a)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{T_1'(s)}{Q'(s)} &= \frac{K_1}{\tau_1 s + 1} & \frac{T_2'(s)}{T_1'(s)} &= \frac{K_2}{\tau_2 s + 1} \\ \frac{T_2'(s)}{Q'(s)} &= \frac{K_1 K_2}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)} \approx \frac{K_1 K_2 e^{-\tau_2 s}}{(\tau_1 s + 1)} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where the approximation follows from Eq. 6-58 and the fact that $\tau_1 > \tau_2$ as revealed by an inspection of the data.

$$\begin{aligned} K_1 &= \frac{T_1(50) - T_1(0)}{\Delta q} = \frac{18.0 - 10.0}{85 - 82} = 2.667 \\ K_2 &= \frac{T_2(50) - T_2(0)}{T_1(50) - T_1(0)} = \frac{26.0 - 20.0}{18.0 - 10.0} = 0.75 \end{aligned}$$

Let z_1, z_2 be the natural log of the fraction incomplete response for T_1, T_2 , respectively. Then,

$$z_1(t) = \ln \left[\frac{T_1(50) - T_1(t)}{T_1(50) - T_1(0)} \right] = \ln \left[\frac{18 - T_1(t)}{8} \right]$$

$$z_2(t) = \ln \left[\frac{T_2(50) - T_2(t)}{T_2(50) - T_2(0)} \right] = \ln \left[\frac{26 - T_2(t)}{6} \right]$$

A graph of z_1 and z_2 versus t is shown below. The slope of z_1 versus t line is -0.333 ; hence $(1/\tau_1) = -0.333$ and $\tau_1 = 3.0$

From the best-fit line for z_2 versus t , the projection intersects $z_2 = 0$ at $t \approx 1.15$. Hence $\tau_2 = 1.15$.

$$\frac{T_1'(s)}{Q'(s)} = \frac{2.667}{3s+1} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{T_2'(s)}{T_1'(s)} = \frac{0.75}{1.15s+1} \quad (3)$$

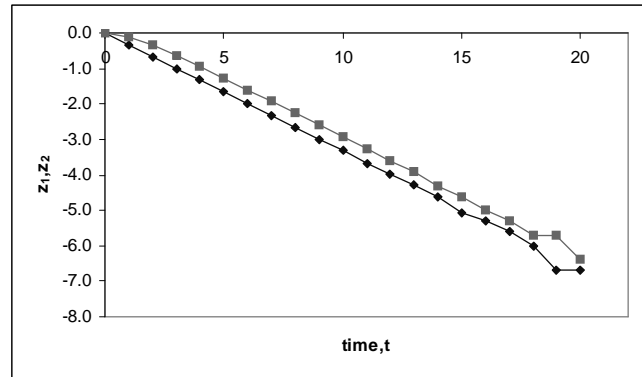


Figure S7.3a. z_1 and z_2 versus t

b) By means of Simulink-MATLAB, the following simulations are obtained

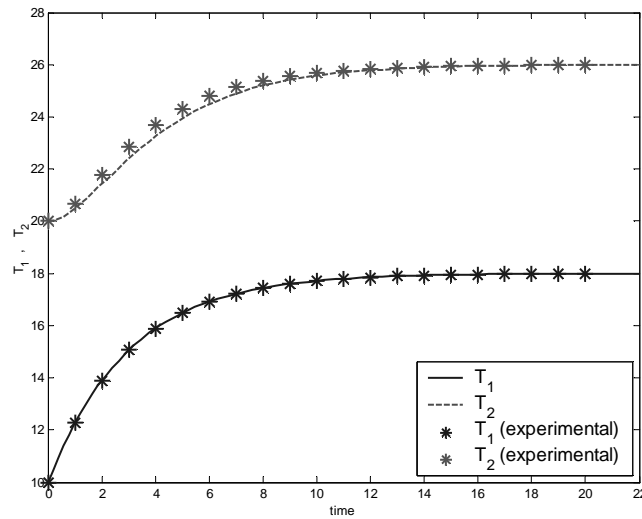


Figure S7.3b. Comparison of experimental data and models for step change

$$Y(s) = G(s) X(s) = \frac{2}{(5s+1)(3s+1)(s+1)} \times \frac{1.5}{s}$$

Taking the inverse Laplace transform

$$y(t) = -75/8 \exp(-1/5 t) + 27/4 \exp(-1/3 t) - 3/8 \exp(-t) + 3 \quad (1)$$

a) Fraction incomplete response

$$z(t) = \ln \left[1 - \frac{y(t)}{3} \right]$$

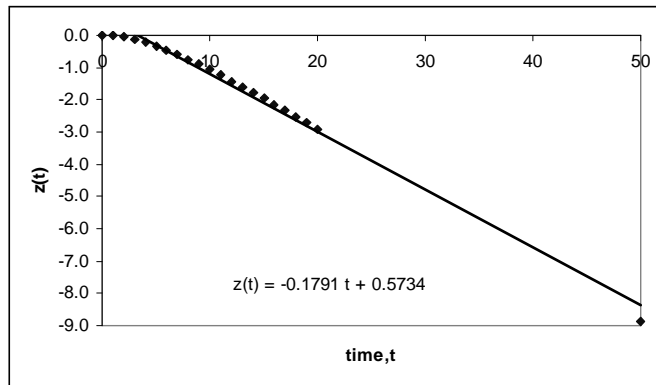


Figure S7.4a. Fraction incomplete response; linear regression

From the graph, slope = -0.179 and intercept ≈ 3.2

Hence,

$$-1/\tau = -0.179 \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = 5.6$$

$$\theta = 3.2$$

$$G(s) = \frac{2e^{-3.2s}}{5.6s+1}$$

b) In order to use Smith's method, find t_{20} and t_{60}

$$y(t_{20}) = 0.2 \times 3 = 0.6$$

$$y(t_{60}) = 0.6 \times 3 = 1.8$$

Using either Eq. 1 or the plot of this equation, $t_{20} = 4.2$, $t_{60} = 9.0$

Using Fig. 7.7 for $t_{20}/t_{60} = 0.47$

$$\zeta = 0.65, \quad t_{60}/\tau = 1.75, \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = 5.14$$

$$G(s) \approx \frac{2}{26.4s^2 + 6.68s + 1}$$

The models are compared in the following graph:

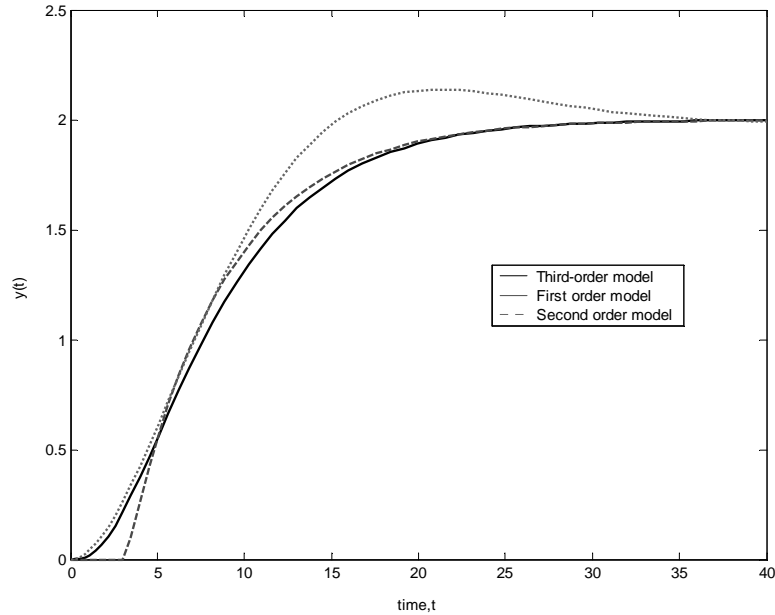


Figure S7.4b. Comparison of three models for step input

7.5

The integrator plus time delay model is

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{s} e^{-\theta s}$$

In the time domain,

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= 0 & t < 0 \\ y(t) &= K(t - \theta) & t \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus a straight line tangent to the point of inflection will approximate the step response. Two parameters must be found: K and θ (See Fig. S7.5 a)

1.- The process gain K is found by calculating the slope of the straight line.

$$K = \frac{1}{13.5} = 0.074$$

2.- The time delay is evaluated from the intersection of the straight line and the time axis (where $y = 0$).

$$\theta = 1.5$$

Therefore the model is $G(s) = \frac{0.074}{s} e^{-1.5s}$

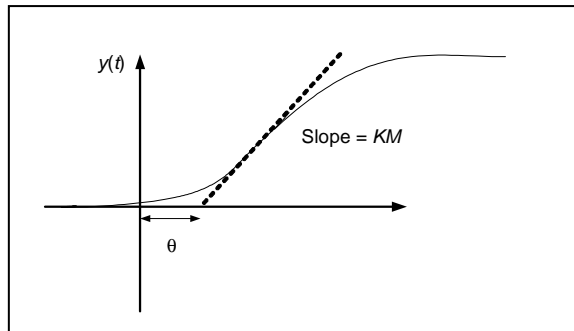


Figure S7.5a. Integrator plus time delay model; parameter evaluation

From Fig. E7.5, we can read these values (approximate):

Time	Data	Model
0	0	-0.111
2	0.1	0.037
4	0.2	0.185
5	0.3	0.259
7	0.4	0.407
8	0.5	0.481
9	0.6	0.555
11	0.7	0.703
14	0.8	0.925
16.5	0.9	1.184
30	1	2.109

Table.- Output values from Fig. E7.5 and predicted values by model

A graphical comparison is shown in Fig. S7.5 b

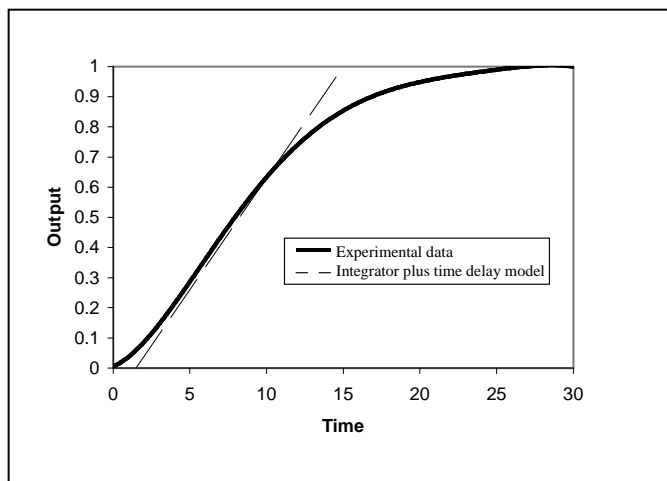


Figure S7.5b. Comparison between experimental data and integrator plus time delay model.

- a) Drawing a tangent at the inflection point which is roughly at $t \approx 5$, the intersection with $y(t)=0$ line is at $t \approx 1$ and with the $y(t)=1$ line at $t \approx 14$.

Hence $\theta = 1$, $\tau = 14 - 1 = 13$

$$G_1(s) \approx \frac{e^{-s}}{13s + 1}$$

- b) Smith's method

From the graph, $t_{20} = 3.9$, $t_{60} = 9.6$; using Fig 7.7 for $t_{20}/t_{60} = 0.41$

$\zeta = 1.0$, $t_{60}/\tau = 2.0$, hence $\tau = 4.8$ and $\tau_1 = \tau_2 = \tau = 4.8$

$$G(s) \approx \frac{1}{(4.8s + 1)^2}$$

Nonlinear regression

From Figure E7.5, we can read these values (approximated):

Time	Output
0.0	0.0
2.0	0.1
4.0	0.2
5.0	0.3
7.0	0.4
8.0	0.5
9.0	0.6
11.0	0.7
14.0	0.8
17.5	0.9
30.0	1.0

Table.- Output values from Figure E7.5

In accounting for Eq. 5-48, the time constants were selected to minimize the sum of the squares of the errors between data and model predictions. Use Excel Solver for this Optimization problem:

$\tau_1 = 6.76$ and $\tau_2 = 6.95$

$$G(s) \approx \frac{1}{(6.95s + 1)(6.76s + 1)}$$

The models are compared in the following graph:

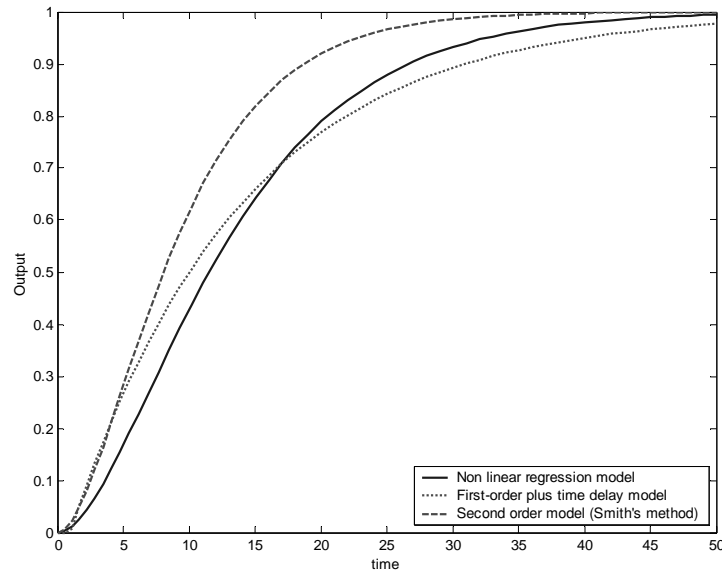


Figure S7.6. Comparison of three models for unit step input

7.7

- a) From the graph, time delay $\theta = 4.0$ min

Using Smith's method,

from the graph, $t_{20} + \theta \approx 5.6$, $t_{60} + \theta \approx 9.1$

$$t_{20} = 1.6 \text{ , } t_{60} = 5.1 \text{ , } t_{20}/t_{60} = 1.6/5.1 = 0.314$$

From Fig.7.7 , $\zeta = 1.63$, $t_{60}/\tau = 3.10$, $\tau = 1.645$

Using Eqs. 5-45, 5-46, $\tau_1 = 4.81$, $\tau_2 = 0.56$

- b) Overall transfer function

$$G(s) = \frac{10e^{-4s}}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)} \text{ , } \tau_1 > \tau_2$$

Assuming plug-flow in the pipe with constant-velocity,

$$G_{pipe}(s) = e^{-\theta_p s}, \quad \theta_p = \frac{3}{0.5} \times \frac{1}{60} = 0.1 \text{ min}$$

Assuming that the thermocouple has unit gain and no time delay

$$G_{TC}(s) = \frac{1}{(\tau_2 s + 1)} \quad \text{since } \tau_2 \ll \tau_1$$

Then

$$G_{HE}(s) = \frac{10e^{-3s}}{(\tau_1 s + 1)}, \quad \text{so that}$$

$$G(s) = G_{HE}(s)G_{pipe}(s)G_{TC}(s) = \left(\frac{10e^{-3s}}{\tau_1 s + 1} \right) (e^{-0.1s}) \left(\frac{1}{\tau_2 s + 1} \right)$$

7.8

- a) To find the form of the process response, we can see that

$$Y(s) = \frac{K}{s(\tau s + 1)} U(s) = \frac{K}{s(\tau s + 1)} \frac{M}{s} = \frac{K}{(\tau s + 1)} \frac{M}{s^2}$$

Hence the response of this system is similar to a first-order system with a ramp input: the ramp input yields a ramp output that will ultimately cause some process component to saturate.

- b) By applying partial fraction expansion technique, the domain response for this system is

$$Y(s) = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s^2} + \frac{C}{\tau s + 1} \quad \text{hence } y(t) = -KM\tau + KMt - KM\tau e^{-t/\tau}$$

In order to evaluate the parameters K and τ , important properties of the above expression are noted:

- 1.- For large values of time ($t \gg \tau$), $y(t) \approx y'(t) = KM(t - \tau)$
- 2.- For $t = 0$, $y'(0) = -KM\tau$

These equations imply that after an initial transient period, the ramp input yields a ramp output with slope equal to KM . That way, the gain K is

obtained. Moreover, the time constant τ is obtained from the intercept in Fig. S7.8

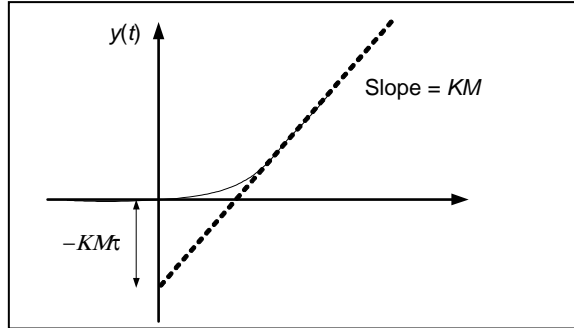


Figure S7.8. Time domain response and parameter evaluation

7.9

For underdamped responses,

$$y(t) = KM \left\{ 1 - e^{-\zeta t/\tau} \left[\cos \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} t \right) + \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} t \right) \right] \right\} \quad (5-51)$$

a) At the response peaks,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dt} = KM \left\{ \frac{\zeta}{\tau} e^{-\zeta t/\tau} \left[\cos \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} t \right) + \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} t \right) \right] \right. \\ \left. - e^{-\zeta t/\tau} \left[-\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} \sin \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} t \right) + \frac{\zeta}{\tau} \cos \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} t \right) \right] \right\} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $KM \neq 0$ and $e^{-\zeta t/\tau} \neq 0$

$$0 = \left(\frac{\zeta}{\tau} - \frac{\zeta}{\tau} \right) \cos \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} t \right) + \left(\frac{\zeta^2}{\tau \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} + \frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} \right) \sin \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} t \right)$$

$$0 = \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\tau} t\right) = \sin n\pi, \quad t = n \frac{\pi\tau}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$$

where n is the number of peak.

$$\text{Time to the first peak, } t_p = \frac{\pi\tau}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$$

b) Graphical approach:

Process gain,

$$K = \frac{w_D(\infty) - w_D(0)}{\Delta P_s} = \frac{9890 - 9650}{95 - 92} = 80 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{hr/psig}}$$

$$\text{Overshoot} = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{9970 - 9890}{9890 - 9650} = 0.333$$

From Fig. 5.11, $\zeta \approx 0.33$

t_p can be calculated by interpolating Fig. 5.8

For $\zeta \approx 0.33$, $t_p \approx 3.25 \tau$

Since t_p is known to be 1.75 hr, $\tau = 0.54$

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1} = \frac{80}{0.29s^2 + 0.36s + 1}$$

Analytical approach

The gain K doesn't change: $K = 80 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{hr/psig}}$

To obtain the ζ and τ values, Eqs. 5-52 and 5-53 are used:

$$\text{Overshoot} = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{9970 - 9890}{9890 - 9650} = 0.333 = \exp(-\zeta\pi/(1-\zeta^2)^{1/2})$$

Resolving, $\zeta = 0.33$

$$t_p = \frac{\pi\tau}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} = 1.754 \quad \text{hence} \quad \tau = 0.527 \text{ hr}$$

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1} = \frac{80}{0.278s^2 + 0.35s + 1}$$

c) Graphical approach

From Fig. 5.8, $t_s/\tau = 13$ so $t_s = 2 \text{ hr}$ (very crude estimation)

Analytical approach

From settling time definition,

$$y = \pm 5\% KM \quad \text{so} \quad 9395.5 < y < 10384.5$$

$$(KM \pm 5\% KM) = KM[1 - e^{(-0.633)}[\cos(1.793t_s) + 0.353\sin(1.793t_s)]]$$

$$1 \pm 0.05 = 1 - e^{(-0.633 t_s)} \cos(1.793 t_s) + 0.353e^{(-0.633 t_s)} \sin(1.793 t_s)$$

Solve by trial and error..... $t_s \approx 6.9 \text{ hrs}$

7.10

a)
$$\frac{T'(s)}{W'(s)} = \frac{K}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1}$$

$$K = \frac{T(\infty) - T(0)}{\Delta w} = \frac{156 - 140}{80} = 0.2 \frac{^\circ\text{C}}{\text{Kg/min}}$$

From Eqs. 5-53 and 5-55,

$$\text{Overshoot} = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{161.5 - 156}{156 - 140} = 0.344 = \exp(-\zeta\pi(1-\zeta^2)^{1/2})$$

By either solving the previous equation or from Figure 5.11, $\zeta = 0.322$ (dimensionless)

There are two alternatives to find the time constant τ :

1.- From the time of the first peak, $t_p \approx 33$ min.

One could find an expression for t_p by differentiating Eq. 5-51 and solving for t at the first zero. However, a method that should work (within required engineering accuracy) is to interpolate a value of $\zeta=0.35$ in Figure 5.8 and note that $t_p/\tau \approx 3$

$$\text{Hence } \tau \approx \frac{33}{3.5} \approx 9.5 - 10 \text{ min}$$

2.- From the plot of the output,

$$\text{Period} = P = \frac{2\pi\tau}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} = 67 \text{ min} \quad \text{and hence } \tau = 10 \text{ min}$$

Therefore the transfer function is

$$G(s) = \frac{T'(s)}{W'(s)} = \frac{0.2}{100s^2 + 6.44s + 1}$$

b) After an initial period of oscillation, the ramp input yields a ramp output with slope equal to KB . The MATLAB simulation is shown below:

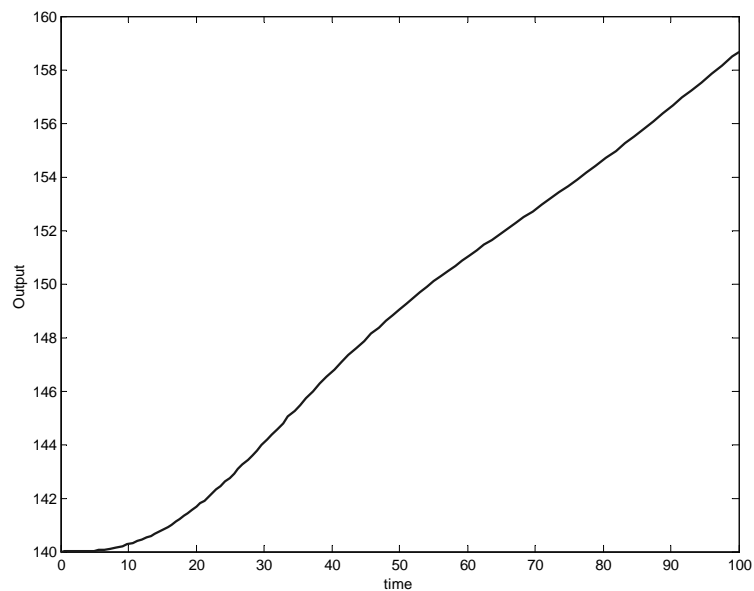


Figure S7.10. Process output for a ramp input

We know the response will come from product of $G(s)$ and $X_{ramp} = B/s^2$

$$\text{Then } Y(s) = \frac{KB}{s^2(\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1)}$$

From the ramp response of a first-order system we know that the response will asymptotically approach a straight line with slope = KB . Need to find the intercept. By using partial fraction expansion:

$$Y(s) = \frac{KB}{s^2(\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1)} = \frac{\alpha_1}{s} + \frac{\alpha_2}{s^2} + \frac{\alpha_3 s + \alpha_4}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1}$$

Again by analogy to the first-order system, we need to find only α_1 and α_2 . Multiply both sides by s^2 and let $s \rightarrow 0$, $\alpha_2 = KB$ (as expected)

Can't use Heaviside for α_1 , so equate coefficients

$$KB = \alpha_1 s(\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1) + \alpha_2(\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1) + \alpha_3 s^3 + \alpha_4 s^2$$

We can get an expression for α_1 in terms of α_2 by looking at terms containing s .

$$s: 0 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 2\zeta\tau \rightarrow \alpha_1 = -KB 2\zeta\tau$$

and we see that the intercept with the time axis is at $t = 2\zeta\tau$. Finally, presuming that there must be some oscillatory behavior in the response, we sketch the probable response (See Fig. S7.10)

7.11

- a) Replacing τ by 5, and K by 6 in Eq. 7-34

$$y(k) = e^{-\Delta t/5} y(k-1) + [1 - e^{-\Delta t/5}] 6u(k-1)$$

- b) Replacing τ by 5, and K by 6 in Eq. 7-32

$$y(k) = (1 - \frac{\Delta t}{5}) y(k-1) + \frac{\Delta t}{5} 6u(k-1)$$

In the integrated results tabulated below, the values for $\Delta t = 0.1$ are shown only at integer values of t , for comparison.

t	$y(k)$ (exact)	$y(k)$ ($\Delta t=1$)	$y(k)$ ($\Delta t=0.1$)
0	3	3	3
1	2.456	2.400	2.451
2	5.274	5.520	5.296
3	6.493	6.816	6.522
4	6.404	6.653	6.427
5	5.243	5.322	5.251
6	4.293	4.258	4.290
7	3.514	3.408	3.505
8	2.877	2.725	2.864
9	2.356	2.180	2.340
10	1.929	1.744	1.912

Table S7.11. Integrated results for the first order differential equation

Thus $\Delta t = 0.1$ does improve the finite difference model bringing it closer to the exact model.

7.12

To find a'_1 and b_1 , use the given first order model to minimize

$$J = \sum_{n=1}^{10} (y(k) - a'_1 y(k-1) - b_1 x(k-1))^2$$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial a'_1} = \sum_{n=1}^{10} 2(y(k) - a'_1 y(k-1) - b_1 x(k-1))(-y(k-1)) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial b_1} = \sum_{n=1}^{10} 2(y(k) - a'_1 y(k-1) - b_1 x(k-1))(-x(k-1)) = 0$$

Solving simultaneously for a'_1 and b_1 gives

$$a'_1 = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k)y(k-1) - b_1 \sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)x(k-1)}{\sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)^2}$$

$$b_1 = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{10} x(k-1)y(k) \sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)^2 - \sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)x(k-1) \sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)y(k)}{\sum_{n=1}^{10} x(k-1)^2 \sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)^2 - \left(\sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)x(k-1) \right)^2}$$

Using the given data,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{10} x(k-1)y(k) = 35.212 \quad , \quad \sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)y(k) = 188.749$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{10} x(k-1)^2 = 14 \quad , \quad \sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)^2 = 198.112$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{10} y(k-1)x(k-1) = 24.409$$

Substituting into expressions for a'_1 and b_1 gives

$$a'_1 = 0.8187 \quad , \quad b_1 = 1.0876$$

Fitted model is $y(k+1) = 0.8187y(k) + 1.0876x(k)$

$$\text{or} \quad y(k) = 0.8187y(k-1) + 1.0876x(k-1) \quad (1)$$

Let the first-order continuous transfer function be

$$\frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{K}{\tau s + 1}$$

From Eq. 7-34, the discrete model should be

$$y(k) = e^{-\Delta t/\tau} y(k-1) + [1 - e^{-\Delta t/\tau}] K x(k-1) \quad (2)$$

Comparing Eqs. 1 and 2, for $\Delta t=1$, gives

$$\tau = 5 \quad \text{and} \quad K = 6$$

Hence the continuous transfer function is $6/(5s+1)$

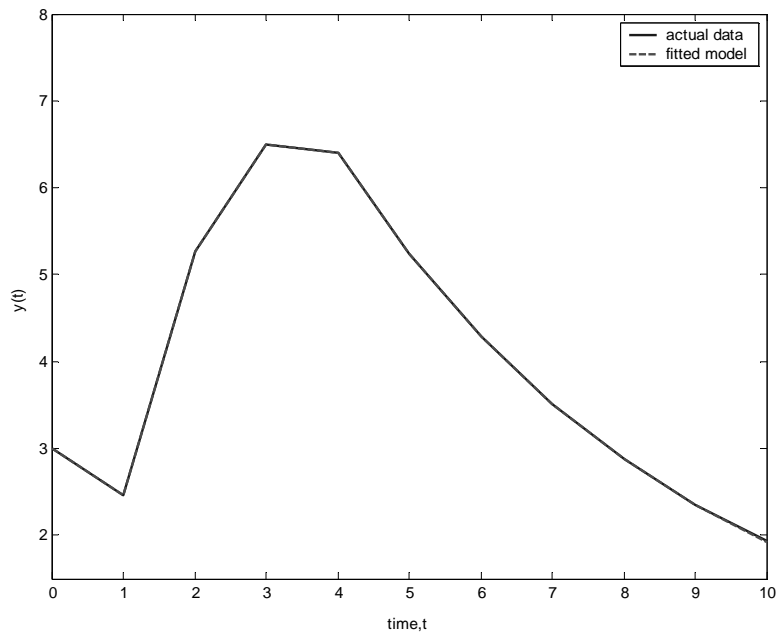


Figure S7.12. Response of the fitted model and the actual data

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To fit a first-order discrete model

$$y(k) = a'_1 y(k-1) + b_1 x(k-1)$$

Using the expressions for a'_1 and b_1 from the solutions to Exercise 7.12, with the data in Table E7.12 gives

$$a'_1 = 0.918 \quad , \quad b_1 = 0.133$$

Using the graphical (tangent) method of Fig.7.5 .

$$K = 1 \quad , \quad \theta = 0.68, \text{ and } \tau = 6.8$$

The response to unit step change for the first-order model given by

$$\frac{e^{-0.68s}}{6.8s+1} \quad \text{is} \quad y(t) = 1 - e^{-(t-0.68)/6.8}$$

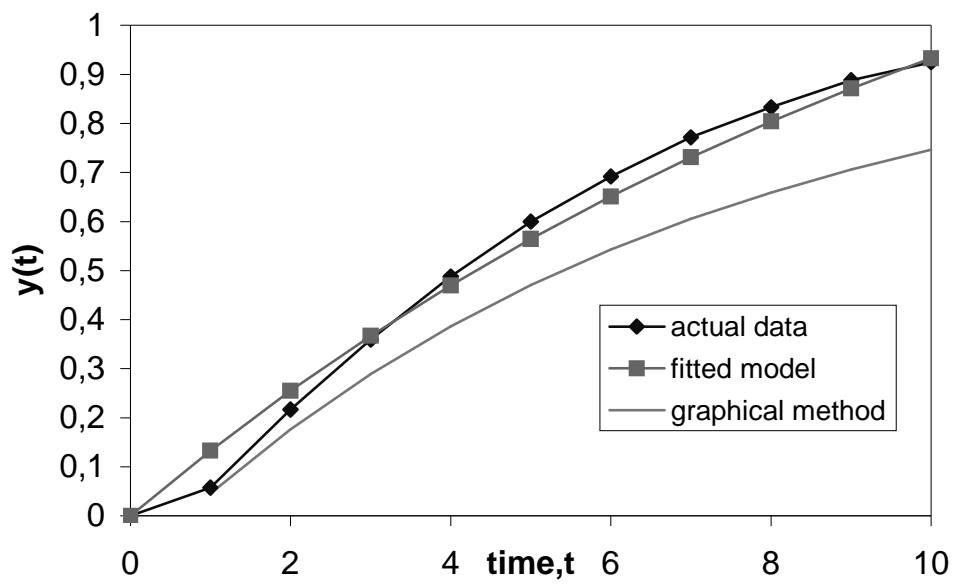


Figure S7.13- *Response of the fitted model, actual data and graphical method*