



# Philadelphia University

Faculty of Engineering & Technology  
Department of Mechatronics Engineering

Course Title: Automatic Control Systems (640344)  
Prerequisite: Modeling and Simulation (640327)  
Credit Hours: 3 credit hours (16 weeks per semester, approximately 45 contact hours)  
Textbook: 'Modern Control Engineering, by Katsuhiko OGATA, Pearson Education, 2012

References: - Automatic Control Systems, F. Golnaraghi, John Wiley, 2010.  
- Control System Engineering, by S. Sivanaraja and L. Devi, New Age International publishers, 2008

Description: The course is a requirement for level 4 of electric engineering students. It introduces the basic principles and analysis of control feedback systems.

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## Course Outlines:

Week	Topic
1,2	Revision of basic and required mathematics for the course, types of roots and Laplace transformation.
3, 4	Mathematical modeling of physical, electrical and mechanical systems. Differential equation derivation.
5	Definition of control systems and their types. Concepts of open-loop and closed-loop systems. <b>(Assignment 10 %)</b>
6, 7	Definition of transfer function, zeros and poles real, multiple and complex. Laplace transform of differential equations. Time response determination for different inputs. Partial fraction expansion and inverse Laplace transformation.
8	Block diagram representation, block diagrams manipulation, block diagram reduction. <b>(Mid Exam. Period 30 %)</b>
9, 10	Mason's Gain Formula. Stability concept and analysis of control system. Routh's stability criterion using Matlab workspace
11, 12	Root locus method, concept, rules of sketching and analysis using Matlab workspace. <b>(Quiz 10 %)</b>
13	PID controllers: Concept, PID possible combinations, methods of tuning.
14	Model matching PID design method. <b>(Group Project 10 %)</b>
15	Revision based on examples on control of some engineering problems using Matlab.
16	<b>(Final Exam. Period 40 %)</b>

## Course Learning Outcomes with reference to ABET Student Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, student should:

1.	Operate with the concept of physical systems	1
2.	Carry out mathematical modeling of physical systems	1, 2
3.	Know the meaning and application of transfer function, zeros and poles	1, 2
4.	Apply the concept of block diagram, manipulation and reduction of block diagrams	1, 2
5.	Determine time response and its evaluation, PID applications.	1, 2
6.	Implement the concept of system stability and root-locus method	1, 2
7.	Use root-locus for control system analysis	1

### Assessment Guidance:

Evaluation of the student performance during the semester (total final mark) will be conducted according to the following activities:

Sub-Exam: The students will be subjected to schedule mid exam. of 30 % weight. The mid exam will cover materials given in lectures in the first 8 weeks.

Quizzes: One assignment, (1) quiz of (10-15) minutes will be conducted during the semester, and one group project.

Homework and projects: Tutorials sheets will be handed out to the students and homework should be solved individually and submitted before or on a set agreed date. Student may be assigned to present project(s). Cheating by copying homework from others is strictly forbidden and punishable by awarding the work with zero mark.

Final Exam: The students will undergo a scheduled final exam of 50% weight at the end of the semester covering the whole materials taught in the course.

### Grading policy:

Mid Exam	30%
Quizzes	30%
Final Exam	40%
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Total:	100%

### Attendance Regulation:

The semester has in total 45 credit hours. Total absence hours from classes and tutorials must not exceed 15% of the total credit hours. Exceeding this limit without a medical or emergency excuse approved by the deanship will prohibit the student from sitting the final exam and a zero mark will be recorded for the course. If the excuse is approved by the deanship the student will be considered withdrawn from the course.