

- What is EE 231?
- Motivation for control.
- Examples of control systems.
- Basic control system.

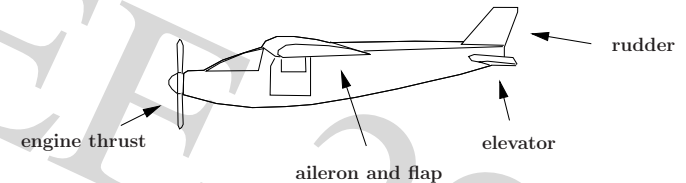
Motivation for Control

- Sophisticated control is crucial for the successful operation of many modern industrial plants.
- Improved control is an enabling technology.
 - enhanced product quality.
 - less waste.
 - leads to environment friendliness.
 - greater throughput for a given installed capacity.
 - greater yield.
 - deferring costly plant upgrades.
 - higher safety margins.

- Analysis of control systems.
 - modeling, transfer functions, block diagrams and SFG.
 - root locus, Bode plots, Nyquist plots.
 - stability.
- Design of controllers.
 - compensation techniques, PID, phase-lead
 - sensitivity, disturbance rejection.
- Multivariable control, robust control, adaptive control.

Examples of Control Systems

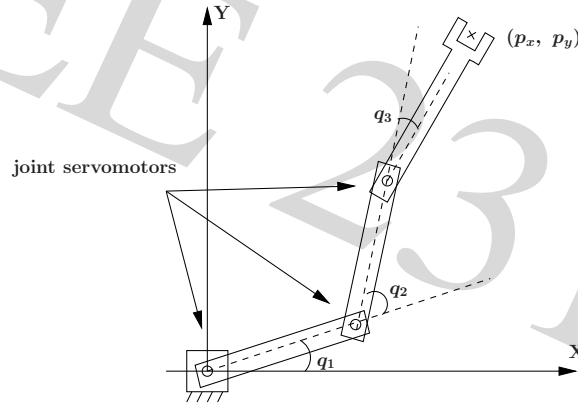
- Control of an aircraft.



- engine thrust affects aircraft speed.
- rudder controls aircraft yaw.
- elevator controls the pitch.
- aileron controls the roll of the aircraft.

Examples of Control Systems

- Robotic manipulator.
 - servomotors control the joint angles.



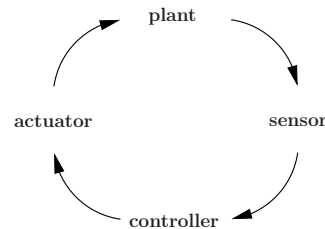
Examples of Control Systems

- Biological system.
 - nutrient flow controls bacteria growth.
 - input is nutrient material.
 - output is the bacteria concentration.
- Population system.
 - population depends on different factors.
 - inputs may be food supply and climate conditions.
 - output is population.

Basic Elements of a Control System

- Plant.

This is the process you want to control, i.e., drive to the desired state.



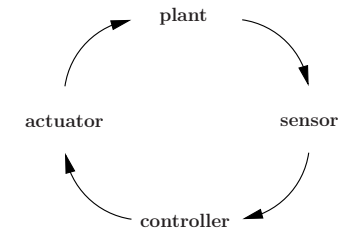
- You need to be familiar with the physics of the process in order to control it.

Requires knowledge of basic energy balance, mass balance and material flows in the system.

Basic Elements of a Control System

- Sensor.

Eye of the control. Enables the control to see what is going on. Reports on the state of the process.



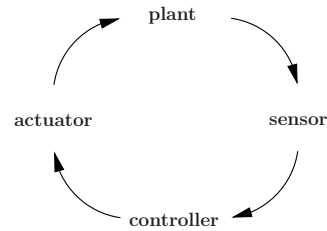
- Actuator.

Moves the process from current state to the desired state. If the sensor is the eye, then the actuator is the muscle.

Basic Elements of a Control System

- **Controller.**

Takes the sensor information and decides how to actuate the plant to achieve the desired state.



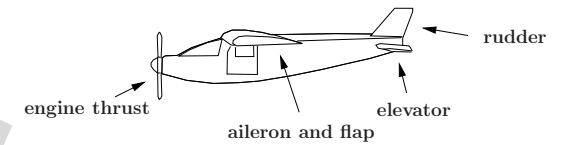
- **In this course, we will start with the mathematical representation of the plant.**

We will then proceed to learn tools for analysis.

Look at different control schemes to achieve control objectives.

Basic Elements of a Control System

- **Control of an aircraft.**



- **Actuators are**

- engine thrust.
- rudder, elevator and aileron.

- **Sensors could be**

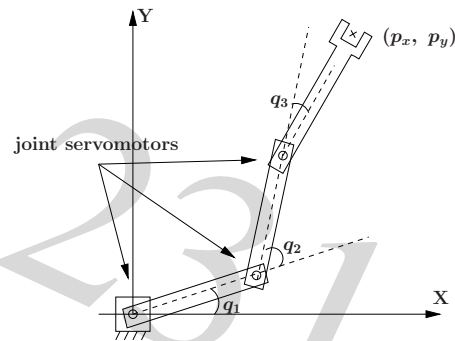
- aircraft speed sensor.
- pitch, roll, yaw angle sensors.

Basic Elements of a Control System

- **Robotic manipulator.**

- **Servomotors are the actuators.**

- **Sensors are shaft encoders.**



- **No need for x, y end-effector position sensor. Why?**

Basic Elements of a Control System

- **Biological system.**

- the actuator is the nutrient material.
- the sensor could be an image processing system coupled to a microscope.

- **Population system.**

- the actuators are food supply and climate conditions.
- the sensor could be random population sampling.

Summary

- Why EE 231?
- Examples of control systems.
- Parts of a control system.
- Next time.
 - mathematic modeling.
 - block diagrams.
 - signal flow graphs.