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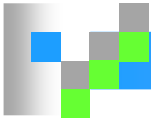
# Properties of NCGPC applied to nonlinear SISO systems with a relative degree one or two

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# 1. Relative degree of NL systems

## ■ System considered:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = f(x(t)) + g(x(t))u(t) \\ y(t) = h(x(t)) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

## ■ Definition [Isidori 1995]:

The nonlinear SISO system (1) is said to have a relative degree  $\rho$  around  $x^0$  if:

- (i)  $L_g L_f^k h(x) = 0$  for all  $x$  in a neighbourhood of  $x^0$  and all  $k < \rho - 1$ ,
- (ii)  $L_g L_f^{\rho-1} h(x^0) \neq 0$

$$\text{where } L_f h(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_i}(x) f_i(x)$$

The relative degree  $\rho$  of (1) is said to be well-defined if (1) has the relative degree  $\rho$  at all points in an operating set [Chen 2001]



## 2. Unconstrained NCGPC

### ■ Criteria to minimize:

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T [\hat{e}(t + \tau)]^2 d\tau \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{e}(t + \tau) = \hat{y}(t + \tau) - \hat{w}(t + \tau)$$

### ■ The control law can be derived under the assumptions [Chen 2003]:

- 1: zero dynamics exist and are asymptotically stable;
- 2: all states are accessible for measurements;
- 3: the system has a well-defined relative degree;
- 4: the output and the reference are sufficiently many times continuously differentiable with respect to time;



## 2. Unconstrained NCGPC

### ■ Taylor's series expansion:

$$\hat{y}(t + \tau) = \sum_{k=0}^{\rho} y^{(k)}(t) \frac{\tau^k}{k!} + R(\tau^{\rho}) \quad \rightarrow \quad \hat{y}(t + \tau) \approx \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tau & \dots & \frac{\tau^{\rho}}{\rho!} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y(t) \\ \dot{y}(t) \\ \vdots \\ y^{(\rho)}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{where } \begin{cases} y(t) = h(x(t)) \\ \dot{y}(t) = L_f h(x(t)) \\ \vdots \\ y^{(\rho)}(t) = L_f^{\rho} h(x(t)) + L_g L_f^{\rho-1} h(x(t)) u(x(t)) \end{cases}$$

In a similar way:

$$\hat{\omega}(t + \tau) \approx \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tau & \dots & \frac{\tau^{\rho}}{\rho!} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega(t) \\ \dot{\omega}(t) \\ \vdots \\ \omega^{(\rho)}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$



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$$\Lambda(\tau) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tau & \dots & \frac{\tau^\rho}{\rho!} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} y(t) \\ \dot{y}(t) \\ \vdots \\ y^{(\rho)}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Omega(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \omega(t) \\ \dot{\omega}(t) \\ \vdots \\ \omega^{(\rho)}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$



## 2. Unconstrained NCGPC

### ■ Criteria to minimize:

$$\text{From } E(t) = Y(t) - \Omega(t) \quad \rightarrow \quad \hat{e}(t + \tau) = \Lambda(\tau)E(t)$$

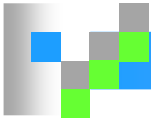
$$J = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T [\hat{e}(t + \tau)]^2 d\tau \quad \rightarrow \quad J = \frac{1}{2} E^t(t) \left[ \int_0^T \Lambda^t(\tau) \Lambda(\tau) d\tau \right] E(t)$$

$$\text{Let the prediction matrix } \Pi(T, \rho) = \int_0^T \Lambda^t(\tau) \Lambda(\tau) d\tau$$

where  $\Pi(T, \rho)$  is of dimensions  $(\rho + 1) \times (\rho + 1)$

### ■ Criteria minimization:

$$\left( \frac{\partial E(t)}{\partial u(t)} \right)^t \Pi(T, \rho) E(t) = 0$$



## 2. Unconstrained NCGPC

### ■ Criteria minimization:

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} y(t) - \omega(t) \\ \dot{y}(t) - \dot{\omega}(t) \\ \vdots \\ y^{(\rho)}(t) - \omega^{(\rho)}(t) \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{red arrow}} E = \begin{bmatrix} h - \omega \\ L_f h - \dot{\omega} \\ \vdots \\ L_f^\rho h - \omega^{(\rho)} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0_{\rho \times 1} \\ u L_g L_f^{\rho-1} h \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{red arrow}} \left( \frac{\partial E(t)}{\partial u(t)} \right)^t = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{1 \times \rho} & L_g L_f^{\rho-1} h(x(t)) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let } D(x(t)) = L_g L_f^{\rho-1} h(x(t))$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial E(t)}{\partial u(t)} \right)^t \Pi(T, \rho) E(t) = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{red arrow}} \begin{bmatrix} 0_{1 \times \rho} & D \end{bmatrix} \Pi(T, \rho) \begin{bmatrix} h - \omega \\ \vdots \\ L_f^\rho h - \omega^{(\rho)} + Du \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{red arrow}} D \Pi_s \begin{bmatrix} h - \omega \\ \vdots \\ L_f^\rho h - \omega^{(\rho)} + Du \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{where } \Pi_s \text{ (dimensions } 1 \times (\rho + 1)) \text{ is the last row of } \Pi(T, \rho)$$





## 2. Unconstrained NCGPC

### ■ Criteria minimization:

$$D\Pi_s \begin{bmatrix} h - \omega \\ \vdots \\ L_f^\rho h - \omega^{(\rho)} + Du \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

The relative degree is supposed well-defined  $\rightarrow$  D cannot vanish for all  $x \in X$  : see (ii)

$$\rightarrow \Pi_s \begin{bmatrix} 0_{\rho \times 1} \\ Du \end{bmatrix} = \Pi_s \begin{bmatrix} \omega - h \\ \vdots \\ \omega^{(\rho)} - L_f^\rho h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \Pi_{ss} Du = \Pi_s \begin{bmatrix} \omega - h \\ \vdots \\ \omega^{(\rho)} - L_f^\rho h \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where } \Pi_{ss} \text{ (dimensions } 1 \times 1 \text{) is the last element of vector } \Pi_s$$



## 2. Unconstrained NCGPC

### ■ Resulting control law [Dabo 2009]:

$$\Pi_{ss} Du = \Pi_s \begin{bmatrix} \omega - h \\ \vdots \\ \omega^{(\rho)} - L_f^\rho h \end{bmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad u = D^{-1} \Pi_{ss}^{-1} \Pi_s \begin{bmatrix} \omega - h \\ \vdots \\ \omega^{(\rho)} - L_f^\rho h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let } K(T, \rho) = \Pi_{ss}^{-1} \Pi_s \quad \rightarrow \quad K(T, \rho) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\rho!}{T^\rho} \frac{2\rho+1}{\rho+1} & \cdots & \frac{\rho!}{T^{\rho-1}} \frac{2\rho+1}{(l)!(\rho+l+1)} & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \quad u(x(t)) = \frac{-\sum_{l=0}^{\rho} K_{\rho l} [L_f^l h(x(t)) - \omega^{(l)}(t)]}{L_g L_f^{\rho-1} h(x(t))}$$

$$\text{where } K_{\rho l} = \frac{\rho!}{l!} \frac{2\rho+1}{(\rho+l+1)T^{\rho-1}} \quad \text{is the } (l+1)^{\text{th}} \text{ element of } K(T, \rho)$$



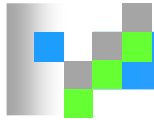
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### ■ Change of coordinates:

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_\rho \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y - \omega \\ \dot{y} - \dot{\omega} \\ \vdots \\ y^{(\rho-1)} - \omega^{(\rho-1)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \dot{z}_1 = z_2 \\ \dot{z}_2 = z_3 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{z}_\rho = L_f^\rho h - \omega^{(\rho)} + u L_g L_f^{\rho-1} h \end{cases}$$

### ■ Resulting linear (and controllable) system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{Z} = AZ \\ O = CZ \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ -K_{\rho 0} & -K_{\rho 1} & -K_{\rho 2} & \cdots & -K_{\rho(\rho-1)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where} \quad K_{\rho l} = \frac{\rho!}{l!} \frac{2\rho+1}{(\rho+l+1)T^{\rho-1}}$$



### 3. Case of relative degree $\rho = 1$

#### ■ Characteristic polynomial:

$$P_1(\lambda) = K_{10} + \lambda$$

#### ■ Corresponding system:

$$H_1(p) = \frac{G_1}{1 + \theta p}$$

#### ■ Parameter identification:

$$\begin{cases} K_{10} = \frac{1}{\theta} \\ K_{11} = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad K_{10} = \frac{\rho!}{T^\rho} \frac{2\rho+1}{\rho+1} \quad \rightarrow \quad \boxed{\theta = 2T/3}$$

#### ■ Theorem 1:

The application of NCGPC to SISO nonlinear system of dimension 1 equal to its relative degree, leads, in the right space of coordinates, to a linear 1<sup>st</sup>-order system with transfer function  $H_1$  defined by a time constant  $\theta$  and a static gain  $G_1$  equal to the reference signal  $\omega_1(t)$ .

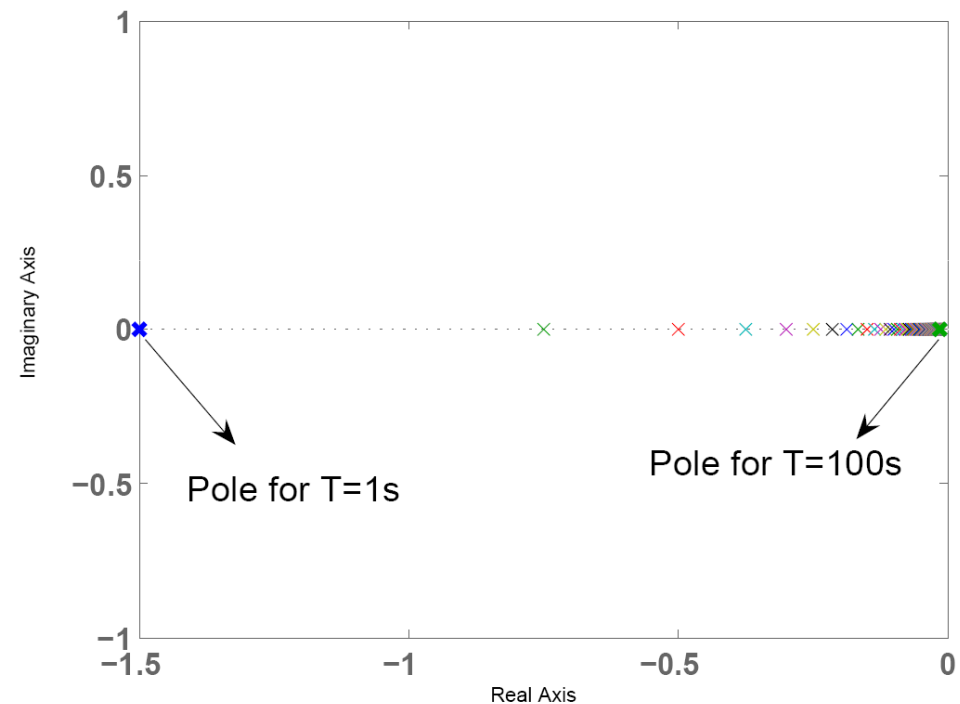


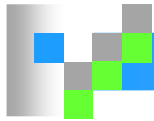
### 3. Case of relative degree $\rho = 1$ : some properties

#### ■ Characteristic parameters/times:

Prediction horizon time	$T$
Time constant	$\theta = 2T/3$
Settling time at 5%	$t_{5\%} \approx 2T$
Cut-off frequency	$\omega_c = 3/2T$
Pole	$\lambda = -3/2T$

#### ■ Closed-loop system stability:





### 3. Case of relative degree $\rho = 1$ : example

#### ■ System considered:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = 3x^2(t) + u(t) \\ y(t) = x(t) \end{cases}$$

#### ■ System analysis:

■ system dimension = 1

■ relative degree = 1

➡ No zero dynamics

#### ■ Desired output:

■ step

#### ■ Parameter values vs. T:

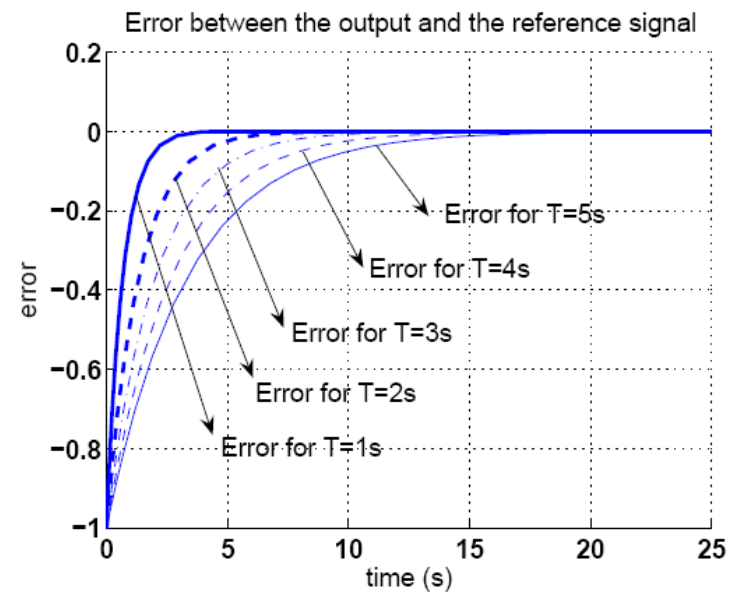
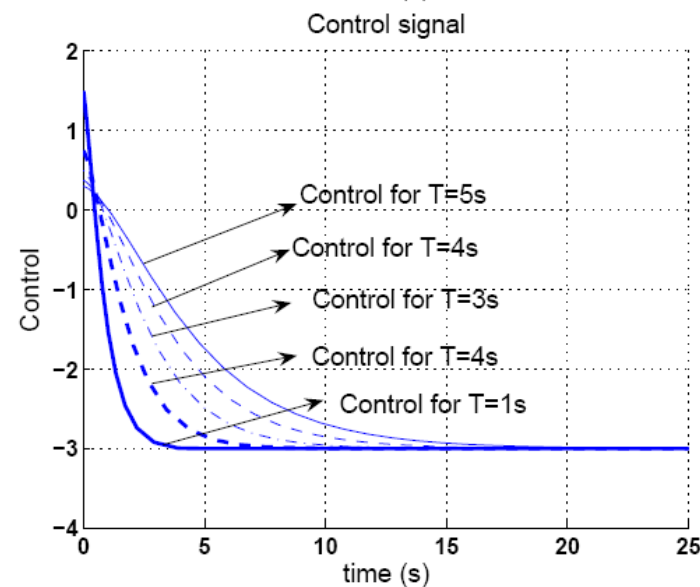
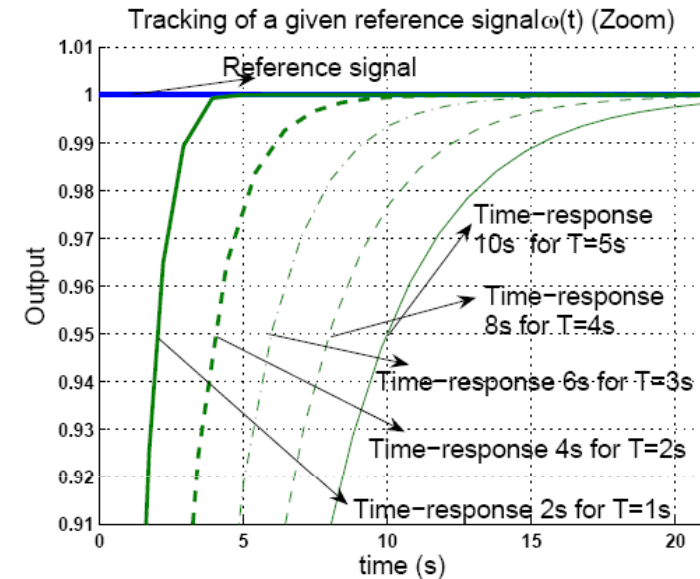
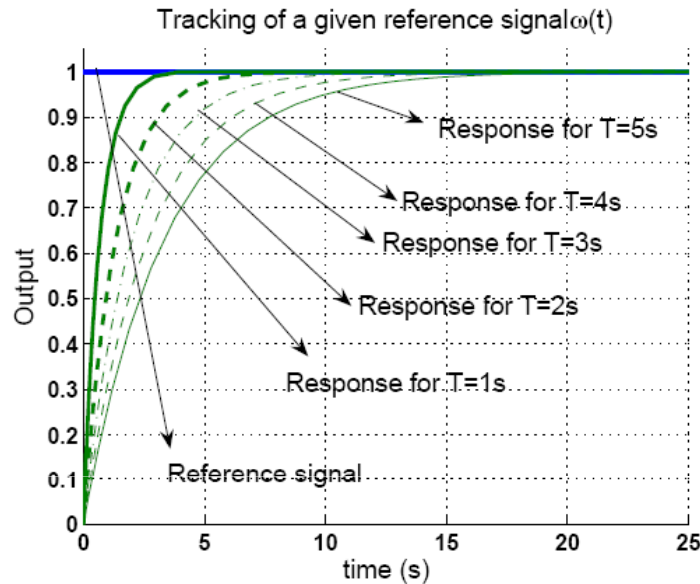
Prediction time T (s)	$K_1 = [K_{10} \ K_{11}]$
1	[1.5 1]
2	[0.75 1]
3	[0.5 1]
4	[0.375 1]
5	[0.3 1]

#### ■ Control law:

$$u(x(t)) = \frac{-\sum_{l=0}^1 K_{1l}(T,1) [L_f^l h(x(t)) - \omega^{(l)}(t)]}{L_g L_f^0 h(x(t))}$$



### 3. Case of relative degree $\rho = 1$ : simulation results



## 4. Case of relative degree $\rho = 2$

### ■ Characteristic polynomial:

$$P_2(\lambda) = K_{20} + K_{21}\lambda + \lambda^2$$

### ■ Corresponding system:

$$H_2(p) = \frac{G_2}{p^2 + 2\xi\omega_n p + \omega_n^2}$$

### ■ Parameters identification:

$$\begin{cases} K_{20} = \omega_n^2 \\ K_{21} = 2\xi\omega_n \\ K_{22} = 1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\rho!}{T^\rho} \frac{2\rho+1}{\rho+1} = \omega_n^2 \\ \frac{\rho!}{T^{\rho-1}} \frac{2\rho+1}{\rho+2} = 2\xi\omega_n \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{\rho!}{T^\rho} \frac{2\rho+1}{\rho+1}} \\ \xi(T, \rho) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\rho!}{T^{\rho-2}} \sqrt{\frac{(\rho+1)(2\rho+1)}{(\rho+2)^2}} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \omega_n \approx 1.83/T \\ \xi \approx 0.685 \end{cases}$$

### ■ Theorem 2:

The application of NCGPC to SISO nonlinear system of dimension 2 equal to its relative degree, leads, in the right space of coordinates, to a 2<sup>nd</sup>-order linear transfer function with a constant damping ratio  $\xi \approx 0.685$  and a natural frequency  $\omega_n \approx 1.83/T$ .



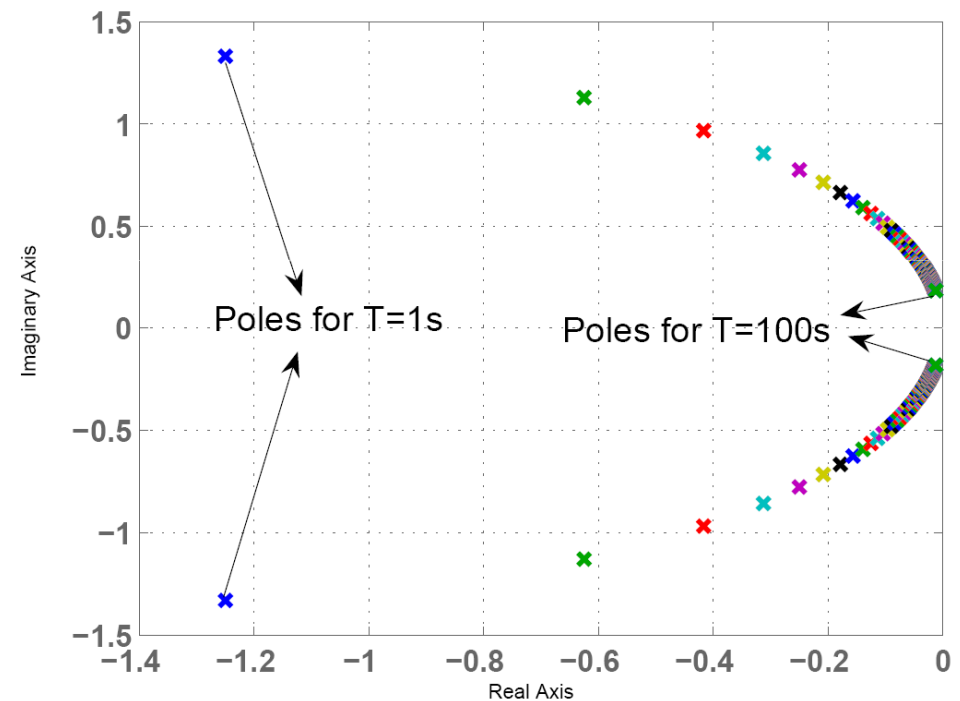


## 4. Case of relative degree $\rho = 2$ : some properties

### ■ Characteristic parameters/times:

Prediction horizon time	$T$
Rise time	$t_r \approx 1.47T$
Time-to-peak	$t_p \approx 2.34T$
Percent overshoot	$PO \approx 5.21$
Settling time at 5%	$t_{5\%} \approx 2.39T$
Poles	$\lambda_{1,2} = -\frac{1}{T} (1.25 \pm 1.33j)$
Resonant frequency	$\omega_r \approx 0.46/T$

### ■ Closed-loop system stability:





## 4. Case of relative degree $\rho = 2$ : example

### ■ System considered:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1(t) = x_2(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) = 2x_1^2(t) - 3u(t) \\ y(t) = x_1(t) \end{cases}$$

### ■ System analysis:

■ system dimension = 2

■ relative degree = 2

➡ No zero dynamics

### ■ Desired output:

■ step

### ■ Parameter values vs. T:

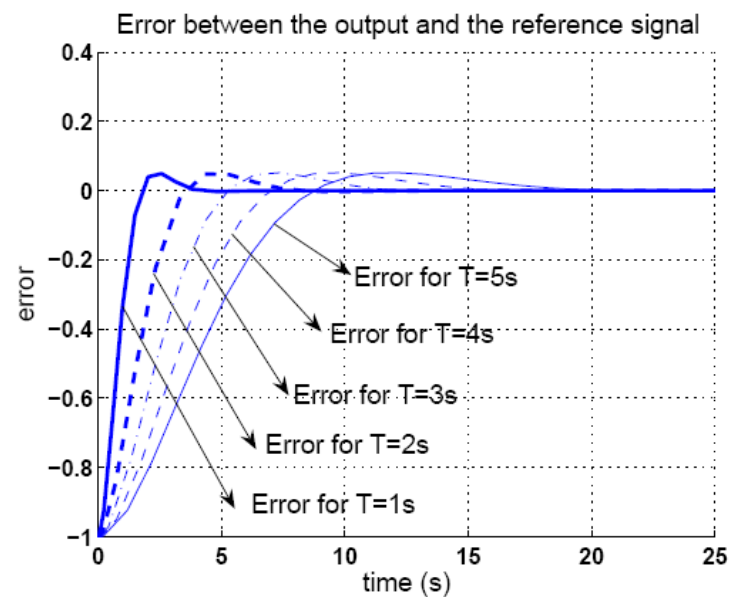
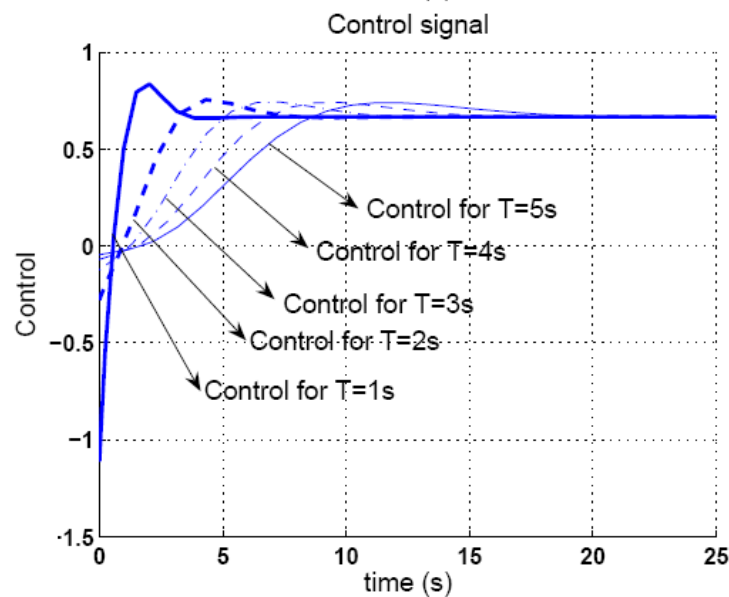
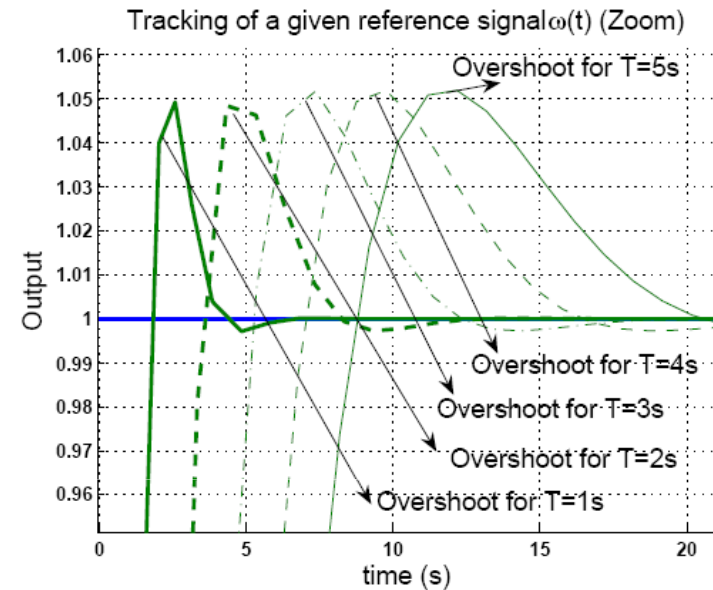
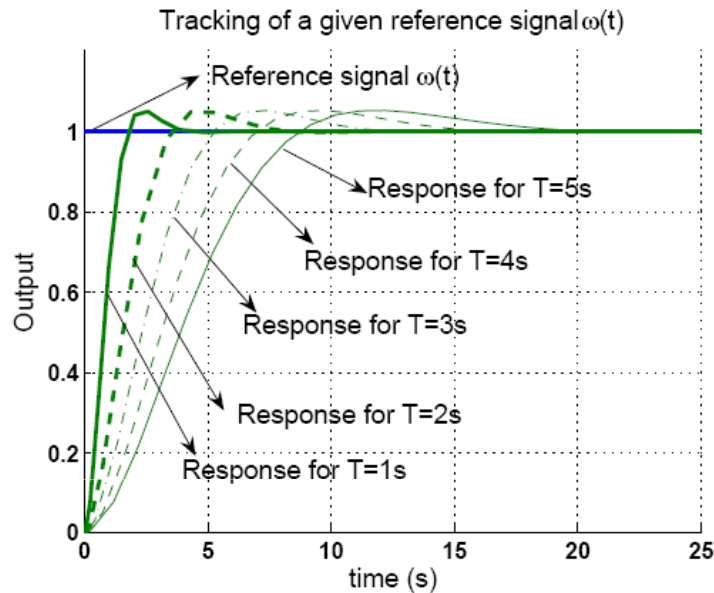
Prediction time T (s)	$K_2 = [K_{20} \ K_{21} \ K_{22}]$
1	[3.33 2.5 1]
2	[0.83 1.25 1]
3	[0.37 0.83 1]
4	[0.21 0.63 1]
5	[0.13 0.5 1]

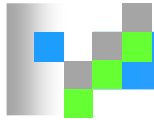
### ■ Control law:

$$u(x(t)) = \frac{-\sum_{l=0}^2 K_{1l}(T, 2) [L_f^l h(x(t)) - \omega^{(l)}(t)]}{L_g L_f h(x(t))}$$



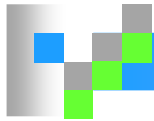
## 4. Case of relative degree $\rho = 2$ : simulation results



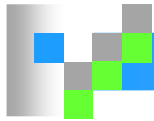


## Conclusion and future work

- Properties of NCGPC when applied to NL SISO systems with:
  - Relative degree equal to 1: stability, speed & accuracy (step)
  - Relative degree equal to 2: stability, speed & accuracy (step)
  
- Criteria based on error **and** control signal
- Robustness
- Nonlinear Discrete-time GPC
- Constraints on actuators
- Fault tolerant NDGPC



**Thank you for  
your attention!**



## Appendix 1. Case of 1<sup>st</sup>-order system: some properties

	Function of $T$	Function of $\omega_c$
Prediction horizon time	$T$	$T = \frac{3}{2\omega_c}$
Time constant	$\theta = \frac{2T}{3}$	$\theta = \frac{1}{\omega_c}$
Time response	$t_r = 2T$	$t_r = \frac{3}{\omega_c}$
Cutoff frequency	$\omega_c = \frac{3}{2T}$	$\omega_c$
Pole	$\lambda = -\frac{3}{2T}$	$\lambda = -\omega_c$
Characteristic polynomial	$\lambda + \frac{3}{2T} = 0$	$\lambda + \omega_c = 0$



## Appendix 2. Case of 2<sup>nd</sup>-order system: some properties

	Formula	Function of $T$	Function of $\omega_n$
Prediction horizon time ( $T$ )	$T = \sqrt[\rho]{\frac{\rho!}{\omega_n^2} \frac{2\rho+1}{\rho+1}}; T \in \mathbb{R}_*^+$	$T$	$T \simeq \frac{1.83}{\omega_n}$
Resonant frequency $\omega_r$ (case of $0 < \xi < \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ )	$\omega_r = \omega_n \sqrt{1 - 2\xi^2}$	$\omega_r \simeq \frac{0.46}{T}$	$\omega_r \simeq 0.25\omega_n$
Damped natural frequency ( $\omega_d$ )	$\omega_d = \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}$	$\omega_d \simeq \frac{1.34}{T}$	$\omega_d \simeq 0.73\omega_n$
Undamped natural frequency ( $\omega_n$ )	$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{\rho!}{T^\rho} \frac{2\rho+1}{\rho+1}}$	$\omega_n \simeq \frac{1.83}{T}$	$\omega_n$
Rise time ( $t_r$ )	$t_r = \frac{(\pi - \arccos \xi)}{\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$	$t_r \simeq 1.47T$	$t_r \simeq \frac{3.19}{\omega_n}$
Time-to-peak ( $t_p$ )	$t_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$	$t_p \simeq 2.34T$	$t_p \simeq \frac{4.3}{\omega_n}$
Settling time at 5% ( $t_{s5\%}$ )	$t_{s5\%} = \frac{1}{\omega_n \xi} \ln\left(\frac{100}{5}\right) \simeq \frac{3}{\xi \omega_n}$	$t_{s5\%} \simeq 2.39T$	$t_{s5\%} \simeq \frac{4.38}{\omega_n}$
Settling time at 2% ( $t_{s2\%}$ )	$t_{s2\%} = \frac{1}{\omega_n \xi} \ln\left(\frac{100}{2}\right) \simeq \frac{4}{\xi \omega_n}$	$t_{s2\%} \simeq 3.19T$	$t_{s2\%} \simeq \frac{5.84}{\omega_n}$
Period of oscillation ( $T_p$ )	$T_p = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$	$T_p \simeq 4.71T$	$T_p \simeq \frac{8.62}{\omega_n}$
Characteristic polynomial	$\lambda^2 + 2\xi\omega_n\lambda + \omega_n^2 = 0$	$\lambda^2 + \frac{5}{2T}\lambda + \frac{10}{3T^2} = 0$	$\lambda^2 + 1.37\omega_n\lambda + \omega_n^2 = 0$
Poles	$p_{1,2} = -\omega_n[\xi \pm j\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}]$	$p_{1,2} \simeq -\frac{1}{T}(1.25 \pm 1.33j)$	$p_{1,2} \simeq -\omega_n(0.685 \pm 0.73j)$