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Modern technology has infiltrated many facets of society, including educational environments. Through the use of virtual learning, educational systems can become more efficient at teaching the student population and break down cost and distance barriers to reach populations that traditionally could not afford a good education. Virtual Reality in Education: Breakthroughs in Research and Practice is an essential reference source on the uses of virtual reality in K-12 and higher education classrooms with a focus on pedagogical and instructional outcomes and strategies. Highlighting a range of pertinent topics such as immersive virtual learning environments, virtual laboratories, and distance education, this publication is an ideal reference source for pre-service and in-service teachers, school administrators, principles, higher education faculty, K-12 instructors, policymakers, and researchers interested in virtual reality incorporation in the classroom.

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Electrical engineering is a protean profession. Today the field embraces manydisciplines that seem far removed from its roots in the telegraph, telephone, electric lamps,motors, and generators. To a remarkable extent, this chronicle of change and growth at a singleinstitution is a capsule history of the discipline and profession of electrical engineering as itdeveloped worldwide. Even when MIT was not leading the way, the department was usually quick toadapt to changing needs, goals, curricula, and research programs. What has remained constantthroughout is the dynamic interaction of teaching and research, flexibility of administration, theinterconnections with industrial progress and national priorities.The book's text and manyphotographs introduce readers to the renowned teachers and researchers who are still well known inengineering circles, among them: Vannevar Bush, Harold Hazen, Edward Bowles, Gordon Brown, HaroldEdgerton, Ernst Guillemin, Arthur von Hippel, and Jay Forrester.The book covers the department'smajor areas of activity - electrical power systems, servomechanisms, circuit theory, communicationstheory, radar and microwaves (developed first at the famed Radiation Laboratory during World WarII), insulation and dielectrics, electronics, acoustics, and computation. This rich history ofaccomplishments shows moreover that years before "Computer Science" was added to the department'sname such pioneering results in computation and control as Vannevar Bush's Differential Analyzer,early cybernetic devices and numerically controlled servomechanisms, the Whirlwind computer, and theevolution of time-sharing computation had already been achieved.Karl Wildes has been associated withthe Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science since the 1920s, and is now ProfessorEmeritus. Nilo Lindgren, an electrical engineering graduate of MIT and professional scientific andtechnical journalist for many years, is at present affiliated with the Electric Power ResèarchInstitute in Palo Alto, California.

This book presents deep analysis of machine control for different applications, focusing on its implementation in embedded systems. Necessary peripherals for various microcontroller families are analysed for machine control and software architecture patterns for high-quality software development processes in motor control units are described. Abundant figures help the reader to understand the theoretical, simulation and practical implementation stages of machine control. Model-based design, used as a mathematical and visual approach to construction of complex control algorithms, code generation that eliminates hand-coding errors, and co-simulation tools such as Simulink, PSIM and finite element analysis are discussed. The simulation and verification tools refine, and retest the models without having to resort to prototype construction. The book shows how a voltage source inverter can be designed with tricks, protection elements, and space vector modulation. Practical Control of Electric Machines: Model-Based Design and Simulation is based on the author's experience of a wide variety of systems in domestic, automotive and industrial environments, and most examples have implemented and verified controls. The text is ideal for readers looking for an insight into how electric machines play an important role in most real-life applications of control. Practitioners and students preparing for a career in control design applied in electric machines will benefit from the book's easily understood theoretical approach to complex machine control. The book contains mathematics appropriate to various levels of experience, from the student to the academic and the experienced professional. Advances in Industrial Control reports and encourages the transfer of technology in control engineering. The rapid development of control technology has an impact on all areas of the control discipline. The series offers an opportunity for researchers to present an extended exposition of new work in all aspects of industrial control.

Robust Integration of Model-Based Fault Estimation and Fault-Tolerant Control is a systematic examination of methods used to overcome the inevitable system uncertainties arising when a fault estimation (FE) function and a fault-tolerant controller interact as they are employed together to compensate for system faults and maintain robustly acceptable system performance. It covers the important subject of robust integration of FE and FTC with the aim of guaranteeing closed-loop stability. The reader's understanding of the theory is supported by the extensive use of tutorial examples, including some MATLAB®-based material available from the Springer website and by industrial-applications-based material. The text is structured into three parts: Part I examines the basic concepts of FE and FTC, providing extensive insight into the importance of and challenges involved in their integration; Part II describes five effective strategies for the integration of FE and FTC: sequential, iterative, simultaneous, adaptive-decoupling, and robust decoupling; and Part III begins to extend the proposed strategies to nonlinear and large-scale systems and covers their application in the fields of renewable energy, robotics and networked systems. The strategies presented are applicable to a broad range of control problems, because in the absence of faults the FE-based FTC naturally reverts to conventional observer-based control. The book is a useful resource for researchers and engineers working in the area of fault-tolerant control systems, and supplementary material for a graduate- or postgraduate-level course on fault diagnosis and FTC. Advances in Industrial Control reports and encourages the transfer of technology in control engineering. The rapid development of control technology has an impact on all areas of the control discipline. The series offers an opportunity for researchers to present an extended exposition of new work in all aspects of industrial control.

Master the fundamentals of planning, preparing, conducting, and presenting engineering research with this one-stop resource Engineering Research: Design, Methods, and Publication delivers a concise but comprehensive guide on how to properly conceive and execute research projects within an engineering field. Accomplished professional and author Herman Tang covers the foundational and advanced topics necessary to understand engineering research, from conceiving an idea to disseminating the results of the project. Organized in the same order as the most common sequence of activities for an

engineering research project, the book is split into three parts and nine chapters. The book begins with a section focused on proposal development and literature review, followed by a description of data and methods that explores quantitative and qualitative experiments and analysis, and ends with a section on project presentation and preparation of scholarly publication. Engineering Research offers readers the opportunity to understand the methodology of the entire process of engineering research in the real word. The author focuses on executable process and principle-guided exercise as opposed to abstract theory. Readers will learn about: An overview of scientific research in engineering, including foundational and fundamental concepts like types of research and considerations of research validity How to develop research proposals and how to search and review the scientific literature How to collect data and select a research method for their quantitative or qualitative experiment and analysis How to prepare, present, and submit their research to audiences and scholarly papers and publications Perfect for advanced undergraduate and engineering students taking research methods courses, Engineering Research also belongs on the bookshelves of engineering and technical professionals who wish to brush up on their knowledge about planning, preparing, conducting, and presenting their own scientific research.

Industrial PID Controller Tuning presents a different view of the servo/regulator compromise that has been studied for a long time in industrial control research. Optimal tuning generally involves comparison of cost functions (e.g., a quadratic function of the error or a time-weighted absolute value of the error) but without taking advantage of available multi-objective optimization methods. The book does make use of multi-objective optimization to account for several sources of disturbance, applying them to a more realistic problem: how to select the tuning of a controller when both servo and regulator responses are important. The authors review the different deterministic multi-objective optimization methods. In order to ameliorate the consequences of the computational expense typically involved in their use—specifically the generation of multiple solutions among which the control engineer still has to choose—algorithms for two-degree-of-freedom PID control are implemented in MATLAB®. MATLAB code and a MATLAB-compatible program are provided for download and will help readers to adapt the ideas presented in the text for use in their own systems. Further practical guidance is offered by the inclusion of several examples of common industrial processes amenable to the use of the authors' methods. Researchers interested in non-heuristic approaches to controller tuning or in decision-making after a Pareto set has been established and graduate students interested in beginning a career working with PID control and/or industrial controller tuning will find this book a valuable reference and source of ideas. Advances in Industrial Control reports and encourages the transfer of technology in control engineering. The rapid development of control technology has an impact on all areas of the control discipline. The series offers an opportunity for researchers to present an extended exposition of new work in all aspects of industrial control.

Paperback reprint of one of the most respected classics in thehistory of engineering publication Together with the reprint of Part I and the new Part IV, thiswill be the most complete treatment of the subject available Provides a highly-readable discussion of Signal Processing andNoise Features numerous problems and illustrations to help promoteunderstanding of the topics Contents are highly applicable to current systems

"This book uses a top-down approach to introduce readers to the SPICE simulator. It begins by describing techniques for simulating circuits, then presents the various SPICE and OrCAD commands and their applications to electrical and electronic circuits. Lavishly illustrated, this new edition includes even more hands-on exercises, suggestions, sample problems, and circuit models of actual devices. It is an ideal supplement for courses in electric or electronic circuitry and is also a solid professional reference."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved

The book shows how the operation of renewable-energy microgrids can be facilitated by the use of model predictive control (MPC). It gives readers a wide overview of control methods for microgrid operation at all levels, ranging from quality of service, to integration in the electricity market. MPC-based solutions are provided for the main control issues related to energy management and optimal operation of microgrids. The authors present MPC techniques for case studies that include different renewable sources – mainly photovoltaic and wind – as well as hybrid storage using batteries, hydrogen and supercapacitors. Experimental results for a pilot-scale microgrid are also presented, as well as simulations of scheduling in the electricity market and integration of electric and hybrid vehicles into the microgrid. The authors also provide a modular simulator to be run in MATLAB®/Simulink®, for readers to create their own microgrids using the blocks supplied, in order to replicate the examples provided in the book and to develop and validate control algorithms on existing or projected microgrids. Model Predictive Control of Microgrids will interest researchers and practitioners, enabling them to keep abreast of a rapidly developing field. The text will also help to guide graduate students through processes from the conception and initial design of a microgrid through its implementation to the optimization of microgrid management. Advances in Industrial Control reports and encourages the transfer of technology in control engineering. The rapid development of control technology has an impact on all areas of the control discipline. The series offers an opportunity for researchers to present an extended exposition of new work in all aspects of industrial control.

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This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 5th International Conference on Electronic Government, EGOV 2006, held in Krakow, Poland in September 2006 in conjunction with DEXA 2006. The 31 revised papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected from numerous submissions for inclusion in the book. Depicting the state of the art in e-government/ e-governance they provide guidance for the community of e-government practitioners and researchers and the global digital / e-government societies that are forming at the present time. The papers are arranged in topical sections on research, review and outlook, participation and democracy, designing government services, legal dimensions in e-government, procurement and governance issues in networked governments, as well as evaluation and assessment.

Force and Position Control of Mechatronic Systems provides an overview of the general concepts and technologies in the area of force and position control. Novel ideas and innovations related to this area are presented and reported in detail, and examples of applications in medical technology are given. The book begins by introducing force sensing, and modelling of contacting objects. In then moves steadily through a variety of topics, including: • disturbance observer-based force estimation; • force-based supervisory control; • stabilization systems; • controller design; and • control of tube insertion procedures. This book will be of interest to researchers, engineers and students interested in force control, particularly those with a focus on medical applications of these ideas. Advances in Industrial Control reports and encourages the transfer of technology in control engineering. The rapid development of control technology has an impact on all areas of the control discipline. The series offers an opportunity for researchers to present an extended exposition of new work in all aspects of industrial control.

Investigators, their home institutions, and funding agencies play significant roles in the development and outcomes of scientific projects. Submitting a proposal to a funding agency is only one dimension of a multivariable and complex funding process, and understanding this is a good first step toward unlocking the puzzle behind why some research proposals receive awards while others are declined. The Handbook of Scientific Proposal Writing offers researchers and research administrators a broad perspective on the process of initiating and conducting funded scientific research projects. Written for students and researchers in all fields and disciplines, this reference offers a holistic approach to conceiving and then converting new ideas into effective proposals. It focuses on the technical aspects of writing proposals rather than the fund-raising issues. Chapters provide full coverage of the scientific method, including information on how scientific research should be conducted. Providing the tools necessary to organize ideas and obtain the funds needed to effectively manage projects, the Handbook of Scientific Proposal Writing includes: 56 figures and 25 tables to help convey key ideas More than 150 citations

that provide pointers to additional sources for further reading Examples to help the reader ease through more abstract concepts End-of-chapter questions to stimulate further examination and comprehension This book unites two fast-developing forms of control—vision-based control and fractional-order control—and applies them in mechatronic systems. Image-Based and Fractional-Order Control for Mechatronic Systems is presented in two parts covering the theory and applications of the subject matter. The theoretical material presents the concepts of visual servoing and image-based feature extraction for feedback loops and fractional-order control. It discusses a range of systems from the classic monocular camera to new RGB-D sensors. The applications part of the book first discusses practical issues with the implementation of fractional-order control, comparing them with more traditional integer-order PID systems. The authors then introduce real-life examples such as a manipulator robot and a Stewart platform and results generated from such systems. MATLAB® functions and source codes are included wherever relevant to help readers develop simulations based on the theoretical ideas and practical examples in the text. Suggestions for the use of other pertinent open-source software are also indicated with the places where such may be obtained. With its combination of theoretical ideas and practical examples, Image-Based and Fractional-Order Control for Mechatronic Systems will be of interest to academic researchers looking to develop the fields of vision-based and fractional-order control and to engineers who are looking for developments that will help them provide closer control of their plants than can be achieved with integer-order PID. Advances in Industrial Control reports and encourages the transfer of technology in control engineering. The rapid development of control technology has an impact on all areas of the control discipline. The series offers an opportunity for researchers to present an extended exposition of new work in all aspects of industrial control.

As society continues to experience increases in technological innovations, various industries must rapidly adapt and learn to incorporate these advances. When utilized effectively, the use of computer systems in educational settings creates a richer learning environment for students. The Handbook of Research on 3-D Virtual Environments and Hypermedia for Ubiquitous Learning is a critical reference source for the latest research on the application of virtual reality in educational environments and how the immersion into three-dimensional settings enhances student motivation and interaction. Exploring innovative techniques and emerging trends in virtual learning and hypermedia, this book is ideally designed for researchers, developers, upper-level students, and educators interested in the incorporation of immersive technologies in the learning process.

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With the perpetual advancements of technology, library and information science professionals are tasked with understanding these technologies and providing accurate and comprehensive information to other potential users. These professionals must develop best practices for understanding these technologies in order to best serve other users. The Handbook of Research on Emerging Trends and Technologies in Library and Information Science is a critical research book that examines advancing technologies and new innovations and their influences on library and information sciences for improved best practices. Featuring an array of topics such as digital libraries, distance education, and information literacy, this publication is essential for librarians, knowledge managers, information retrieval specialists, library and information science professionals, information scientists, researchers, web librarians, academicians, educators, IT specialists, and managers.

New Scientist magazine was launched in 1956 "for all those men and women who are interested in scientific discovery, and in its industrial, commercial and social consequences". The brand's mission is no different today - for its consumers, New Scientist reports, explores and interprets the results of human endeavour set in the context of society and culture.

This book introduces a passivity-based approach which simplifies the controller design task for AC-motors. It presents the application of this novel approach to several classes of AC motors, magnetic levitation systems, microelectromechanical systems (MEMS) and rigid robot manipulators actuated by AC motors. The novel passivity-based approach exploits the fact that the natural energy exchange existing between the mechanical and the electrical subsystems allows the natural cancellation of several high order terms during the stability analysis. This allows the authors to present some of the simplest controllers proposed in scientific literature, but provided with formal stability proofs. These simple control laws will be of use to practitioners as they are robust with respect to numerical errors and noise amplification, and are provided with tuning guidelines. Energy-based Control of Electromechanical Systems is intended for both theorists and practitioners. Therefore, the stability proofs are not based on abstract mathematical ideas but Lyapunov stability theory. Several interpretations of the proofs are given along the body of the book using simple energy ideas and the complete proofs are included in appendices. The complete modeling of each motor studied is also presented, allowing for a thorough understanding. Advances in Industrial Control reports and encourages the transfer of technology in control engineering. The rapid development of control technology has an impact on all areas of the control discipline. The series offers an opportunity for researchers to present an extended exposition of new work in all aspects of industrial control.

This monograph focuses on the design of optimal reference governors using model predictive control (MPC) strategies. These MPC-based governors serve as a supervisory control layer that generates optimal trajectories for lower-level controllers such that the safety of the system is enforced while optimizing the overall performance of the closed-loop system. The first part of the monograph introduces the concept of optimization-based reference governors, provides an overview of the fundamentals of convex optimization and MPC, and discusses a rigorous design procedure for MPC-based reference governors. The design procedure depends on the type of lower-level controller involved and four practical cases are covered: PID lower-level controllers; linear quadratic regulators; relay-based controllers; and cases where the lower-level controllers are themselves model predictive controllers. For each case the authors provide a thorough theoretical derivation of the corresponding reference governor, followed by illustrative examples. The second part of the book is devoted to practical aspects of MPC-based reference governor schemes. Experimental and simulation case studies from four applications are discussed in depth: control of a power generation unit; temperature control in buildings; stabilization of objects in a magnetic field; and vehicle convoy control. Each chapter includes precise mathematical formulations of the corresponding MPC-based governor, reformulation of the control problem into an optimization problem, and a detailed presentation and comparison of results. The case studies and practical considerations of constraints will help control engineers working in various industries in the use of MPC at the supervisory level. The detailed mathematical treatments will attract the attention of academic researchers interested in the applications of MPC.

EXPLORING MARKETING RESEARCH, 11E, provides a thorough guide to the design, execution, analysis, and reporting of marketing research to support effective business decisions. The text prepares students to approach marketing research from a management perspective rather than as hands-on practitioners, providing valuable business context while introducing both traditional research methods, such as designing questionnaires, and the latest technological advances, including current data collection devices, data analysis tools, practical approaches to data analytics, and the impact of social media and artifactual online data. In addition to updates based on recent trends and technology, the new 11th Edition features an increased emphasis on ethical and international issues, reflecting their growing importance in modern marketing research. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

This book provides an overview of the nonlinear model predictive control (NMPC) concept for application to innovative combustion engines. Readers can use this book to become more expert in advanced

combustion engine control and to develop and implement their own NMPC algorithms to solve challenging control tasks in the field. The significance of the advantages and relevancy for practice is demonstrated by real-world engine and vehicle application examples. The author provides an overview of fundamental engine control systems, and addresses emerging control problems, showing how they can be solved with NMPC. The implementation of NMPC involves various development steps, including: reduced-order modeling of the process; analysis of system dynamics; formulation of the optimization problem; and real-time feasible numerical solution of the optimization problem. Readers will see the entire process of these steps, from the fundamentals to several innovative applications. The application examples highlight the actual difficulties and advantages when implementing NMPC for engine control applications. Nonlinear Model Predictive Control of Combustion Engines targets engineers and researchers in academia and industry working in the field of engine control. The book is laid out in a structured and easy-to-read manner, supported by code examples in MATLAB®/Simulink®, thus expanding its readership to students and academics who would like to understand the fundamental concepts of NMPC. Advances in Industrial Control reports and encourages the transfer of technology in control engineering. The rapid development of control technology has an impact on all areas of the control discipline. The series offers an opportunity for researchers to present an extended exposition of new work in all aspects of industrial control.