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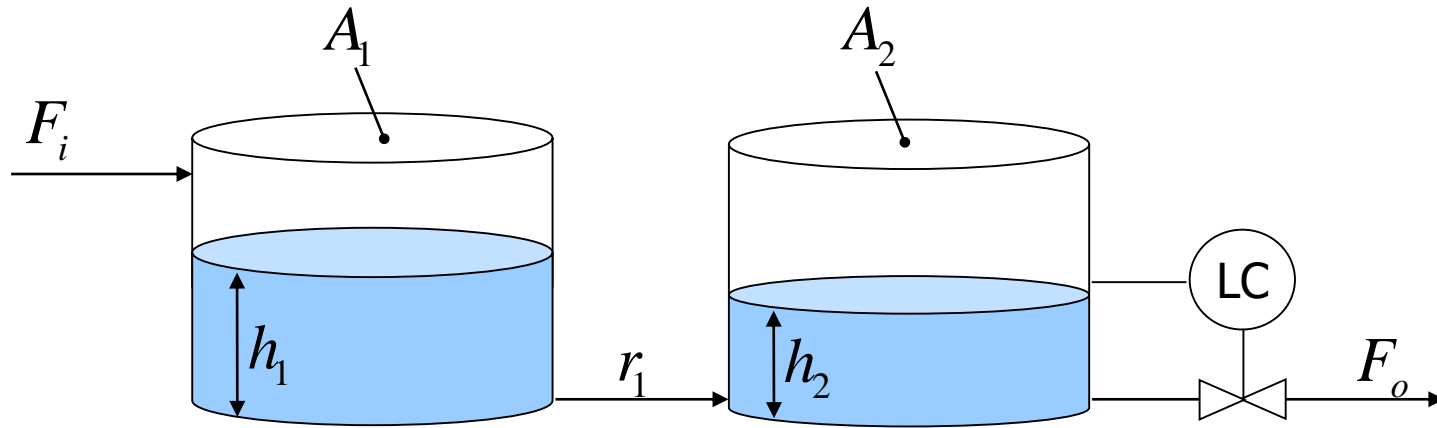
Dynamics and Control of Chemical Processes

Solution to Lab #4

Design of a control system



System representation



Data:

$$F_i = 9.4 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

$$A_1 = 30 \text{ m}^2$$

$$A_2 = 50 \text{ m}^2$$

$$r_1 = 1.2 \text{ s}/\text{m}^2$$

I.C.:

$$h_2 = 6.6 \text{ m}$$

New set-point

$$h_2 = 8.6 \text{ m}$$



Design of the proportional-integral controller

Performance criteria

- Integral of Square Error (**ISE**):

$$ISE = \int_0^{+\infty} \varepsilon^2(t) dt \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underset{K_C, \tau_I}{\text{Min}}(ISE) = \underset{K_C, \tau_I}{\text{Min}} \left(\int_0^{+\infty} \varepsilon^2(t) dt \right)$$

- Integral of the Absolute value of Error (**IAE**):

$$IAE = \int_0^{+\infty} |\varepsilon(t)| dt \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underset{K_C, \tau_I}{\text{Min}}(IAE) = \underset{K_C, \tau_I}{\text{Min}} \left(\int_0^{+\infty} |\varepsilon(t)| dt \right)$$

- Integral of the Time-weighted Absolute Error (**ITAE**):

$$ITAE = \int_0^{+\infty} t |\varepsilon(t)| dt \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underset{K_C, \tau_I}{\text{Min}}(ITAE) = \underset{K_C, \tau_I}{\text{Min}} \left(\int_0^{+\infty} t |\varepsilon(t)| dt \right)$$

- Where: $\varepsilon(t) = y_{SP}(t) - y(t)$



Design of the proportional-integral controller

Pick controller parameters to minimize integral:

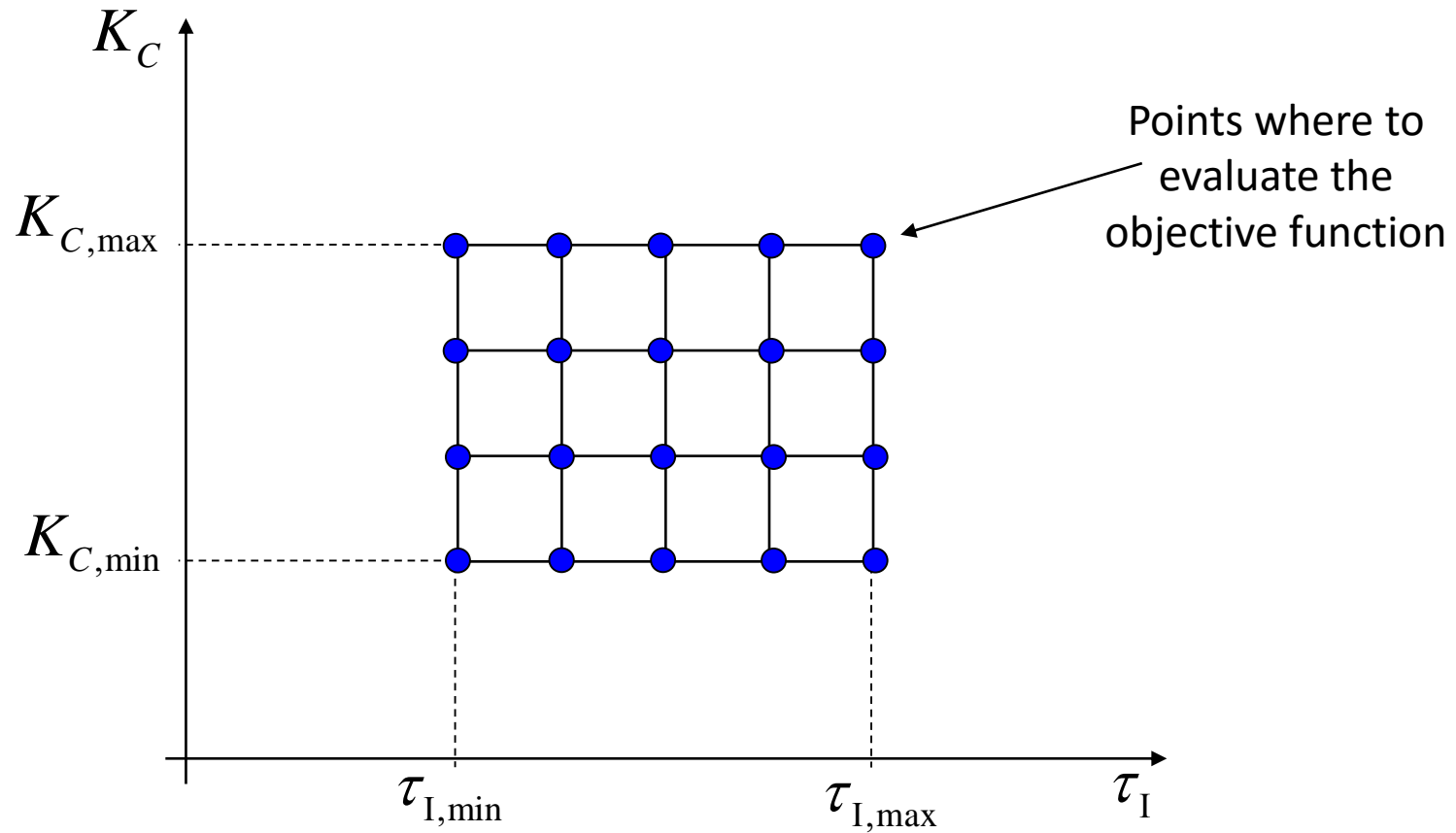
ISE Longer settling time

IAE Allows larger deviation than ISE

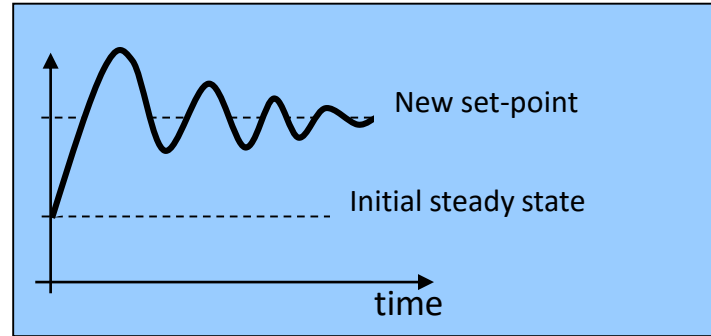
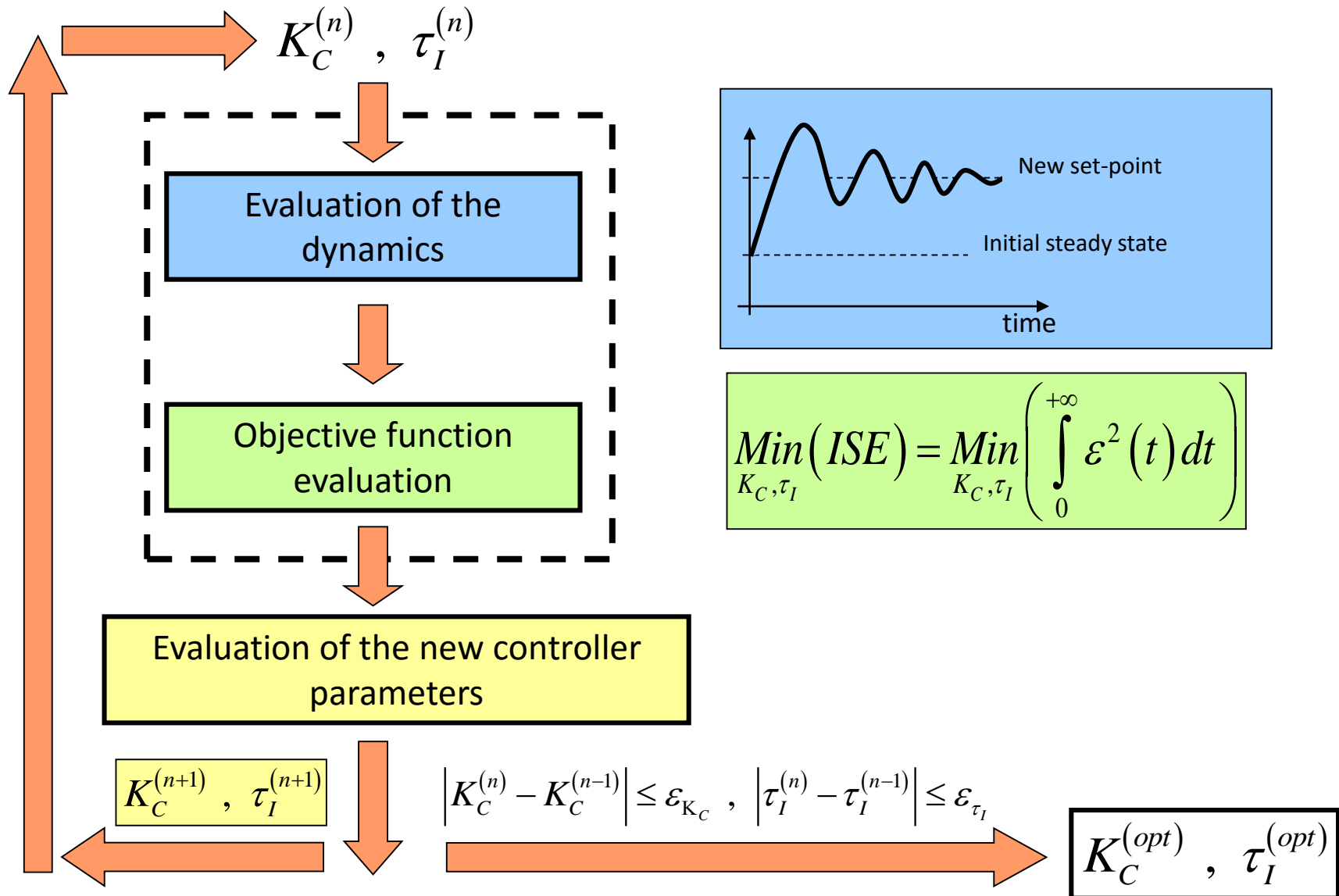
ITAE Weights errors occurring later more heavily



Minimum search: brute-force method



Optimizer use



MATLAB optimizer

A constrained optimization is performed in order to avoid that the optimizer chooses unfeasible values of the variables respect to which the optimization is being done:

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xmin = [min(kc) min(tau_i)];           % Lower limits
xMax = [max(kc) max(tau_i)];           % Upper limits
x0 = [kc0 tau_i0];                     % Initial values

[x] = fmincon(@ (x) funct(x,params), x0, [], [], [], [], xmin, xmax);
Kc = x(1);
tau_i = x(2);

end
```



MATLAB implementation

```
function ISE=funct(x)

    ti=x(2);
    Kc=x(1);

global fold integral told SP

... %Definition of constraints
SP=6.6; %Set point
h10=F*r1+6.6; %Steady state conditions (See Lab 3)
h20=6.6; %h2 initial value
y0=[h10 h20]; %Vector of initial values
integral=0; %definition of the integral
fold=h20; %trapezoid base
told=0; %trapezoid leg

option = odeset('RelTol',1E-8,'AbsTol',1E-10,'OutputFcn',@prnto);
[time,height]=ode23s(@(t,y) tank_LC(t,y,F,A1,A2,r1, Kc, ti),[0 600],y0,option);
```



MATLAB implementation

```
err=(height(:,2)-SP);           %%Error definition
err2=err.^2;                    %%Squared error (ISE)
stepm=length(time);           %%Number of steps
    I=0;                        %%Initialization of the integral

for m=2:stepm
    %%Calculation of the integral (Trapezoid method)
    I= I+(err2(m)+err2(m-1))*(time(m)-time(m-1))/2.;
end
ISE=I;
end
```



MATLAB implementation

```
function dy=tank_LC(t,y,F,A1,A2,r1, Kc, ti)
    global fold integral told SP
    h1=y(1);
    h2=y(2);

    if t>=20
        Fin=F*2;           %Disturbance: it doubles the inlet flow
    else
        Fin=F;
    end

    integraltime= integral + (fold-SP + h2-SP)*(t-told)/2;
    F1=(h1-h2)/r1;        %Inlet flow, from the steady state assumption
    F2=F+Kc*(h2-SP)+Kc/ti*integraltime; %Outlet flow, controlled variable
    dy(1,:)=(Fin-F1)/A1; %Governing equations
    dy(2,:)=(F1-F2)/A2;

end
```



MATLAB Output function

```
function status = printo(t,y,flag)           %Function printo
    global  told fold SP integral

    if strcmp(flag,'init')

    elseif strcmp(flag,'done')

    else
        h2=y(2);
        err=h2-SP;
        integral=integral+(fold-SP+err)*(t-told)/2;
        fold=h2;
        told=t;
    end
    status=0;
end
```



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