

# Lecture 1

- Introduction - Course mechanics
- History
- Control engineering at present

# Introduction - Course Mechanics

- What this course is about?
- Prerequisites & course place in the curriculum
- Course mechanics
- Outline and topics
- Your instructor

# What this course is about?

- Embedded computing is becoming ubiquitous
- Need to process sensor data and influence physical world.  
This is control and knowing its main concepts is important.
- Much of control theory is esoteric and difficult
- 90% of the real world applications are based on 10% of the existing control methods and theory
- The course is about these 10%
  - Focus on a few methods used in majority of the applications
  - Some methods are familiar from E105, EE205; actual application of these methods is the key in this course
  - Some material is not covered in other courses

# Course Focus and Name

- Academic research
  - Quest for knowledge
  - What else can we say about this topic
  - Mathematical theory
  - Many controls books and papers
- This course
  - Oriented towards engineering practices in industry
  - What is the *minimal* knowledge/skills we need to solve an engineering problem?
  - What *are* the engineering problems?
  - What methods do engineers *actually* use in industry?
  - Additional knowledge sure helps...

# Prerequisites and course place

- Prerequisites:
  - Linear algebra: EE263, Math 103
  - Systems and control basics: EE102, ENGR 105, ENGR 205
- Helpful
  - Matlab
  - Modeling and simulation
  - Optimization
  - Application fields
  - Some control theory good, but not assumed.
- Learn more advanced control theory:
  - In ENGR 207, ENGR 209, and ENGR 210
  - Needed for high-performance applications

# Course Mechanics

- Descriptive in addition to math and theory. Skills and attitude.
- Grading (the weights are approximate)
  - 35% Homework Assignments (3 at all)
  - 30% Midterm Project
  - 35% Final Project
- Notes at [www.stanford.edu/class/ee392M/](http://www.stanford.edu/class/ee392M/)
  - Posted as available
  - 2003 version available, the 2005 version has less coverage and more depth
- Reference texts
  - *Analysis and Design of Feedback Systems*, Åström and Murray, 2003.  
<http://www.cds.caltech.edu/~murray/courses/cds101/fa03/caltech/am03.html>
  - *Feedback Control of Dynamic Systems*, Fourth Edition, Franklin, Powell, Emami-Naeini, Prentice Hall, 2002
  - *Control System Design*, Goodwin, Graebe, Salgado, Prentice Hall, 2001

# Outline and topics

Lectures - Mondays & Wednesday  
2:30-3:45pm

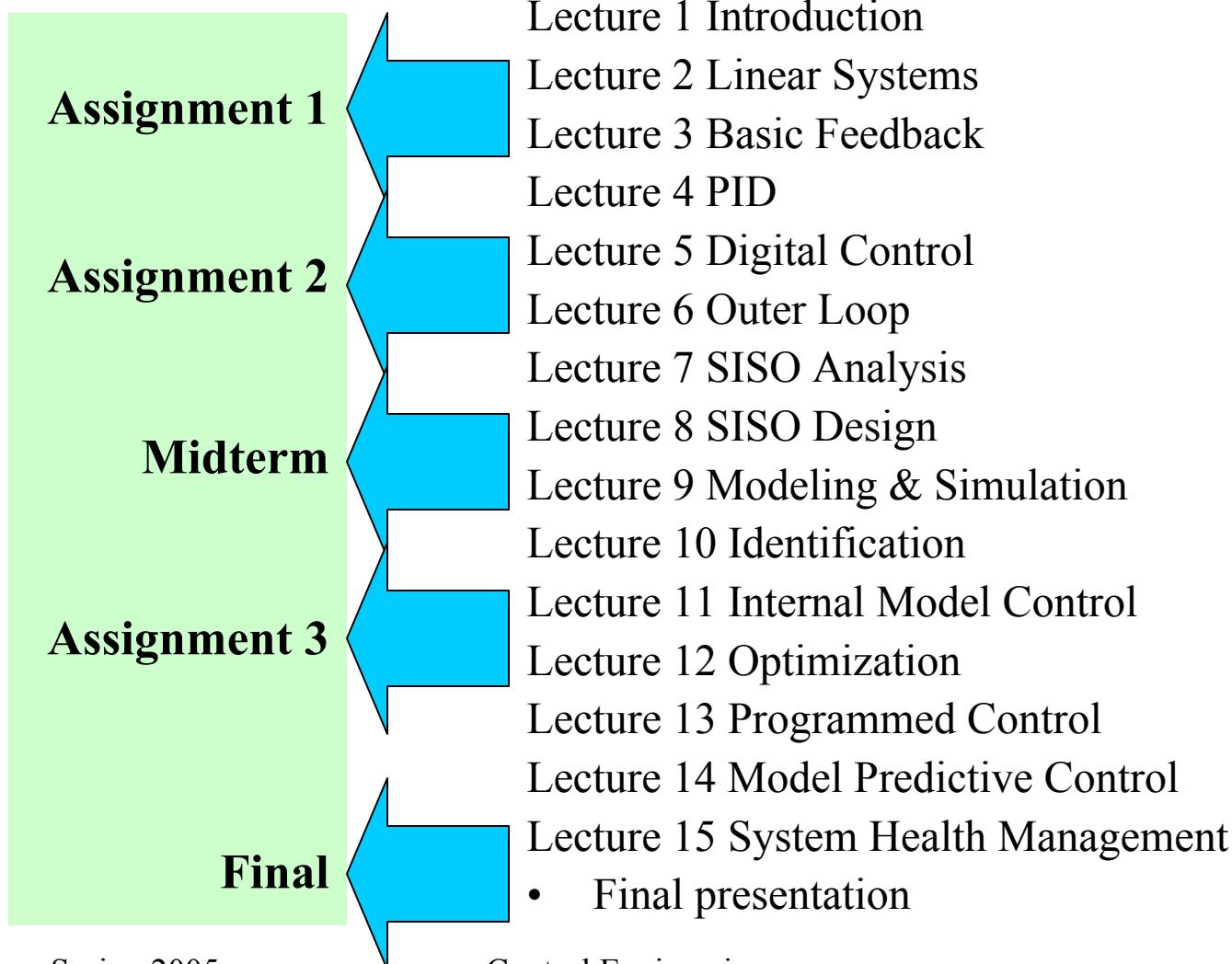
Assignments - due in a week

## Lecture topics

<b>Basic</b>	Lecture 1 Introduction Lecture 2 Linear Systems Lecture 3 Basic Feedback Lecture 4 PID Lecture 5 Digital Control
<b>SISO Control</b>	Lecture 6 Outer Loop Lecture 7 SISO Analysis Lecture 8 SISO Design

<b>Additional topics</b>	Lecture 9 Modeling & Simulation Lecture 10 Identification Lecture 11 Internal Model Control
<b>Advanced Control</b>	Lecture 12 Optimization Lecture 13 Programmed Control Lecture 14 Model Predictive Control Lecture 15 System Health Management

# Assignment timeline



# Who is your instructor?

- Consulting Professor of EE
- Honeywell Labs
  - Minneapolis, MN
  - San Jose, CA
- Worked on decision and control systems applications across many industries
- PhD from Moscow University
  - Moscow → Munich → Toronto → Vancouver → Palo Alto

# Lecture 1 - Control History

- Watt's governor
  - Thermostat
  - Feedback Amplifier
  - Missile range control
  - DCS
  - TCP/IP
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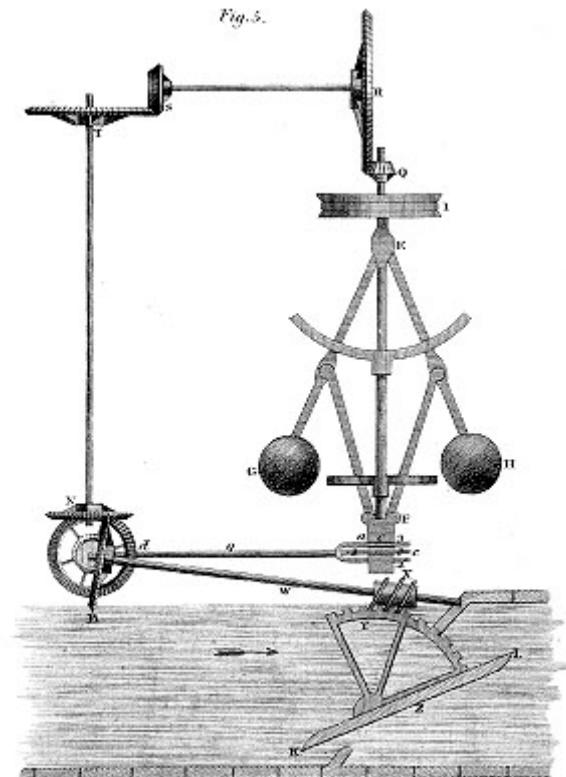
- Current trends
- Control application areas

# Why bother about the history?

- Trying to guess, where the trend goes
- Many of the control techniques that are talked about are there for historical reasons mostly. Need to understand that.

# 1788 Watt's Flyball Governor

- Watt's Steam Engine
- Newcomen's steam engine (1712) was a limited success
- Beginning of systems engineering
- Watt's systems engineering add-on started the Industrial Revolution
- Analysis of James Clark Maxwell (1868)
- Vyshnegradsky (1877)



From the 1832 *Edinburgh Encyclopaedia*

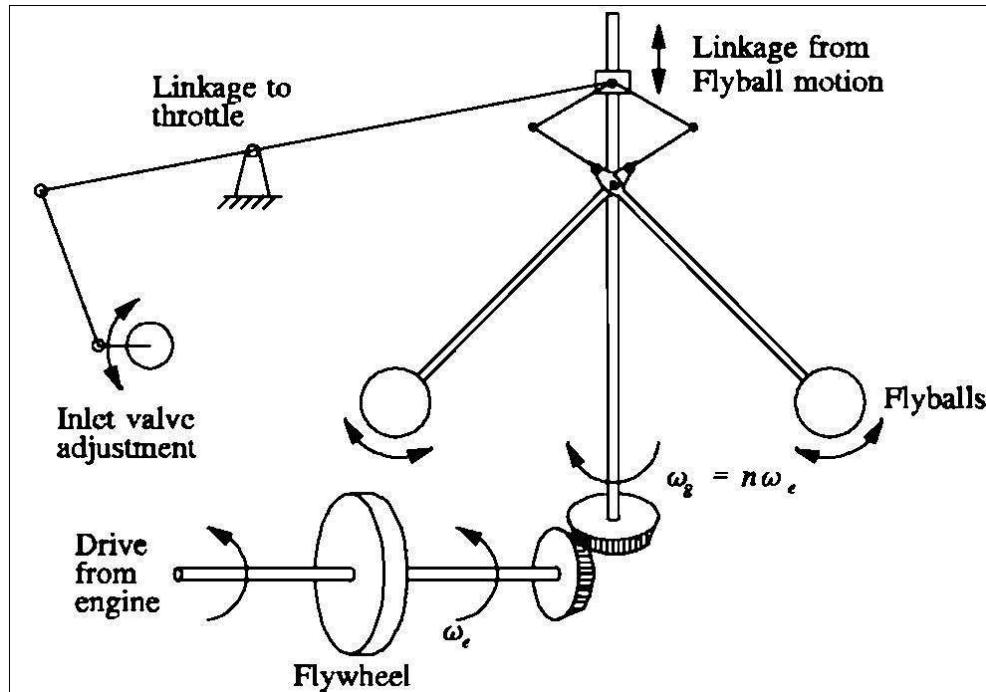
# Main Points

- Mechanical technology use was extended from power to regulation
- It worked and improved reliability of steam engines significantly by automating operator's function
- Analysis was done much later (some 100 years). This seems to be typical!
- Parallel discovery of major theoretical approaches

# Watt's governor

- Analysis of James Clark Maxwell (1868)

$$ml\ddot{\phi} = l(m\omega_G^2 l \sin \phi \cos \phi - mg \sin \phi - b\dot{\phi})$$



$$J\dot{\omega}_E = k \cos \phi - T_L$$

$$\omega_G = n\omega_E$$

- Linearization

$$\phi = \phi_0 + x \quad x \ll 1$$

$$\omega_E = \omega_0 + y \quad y \ll 1$$

$$\ddot{y} + a_1 \ddot{y} + a_2 \dot{y} + a_3 y = 0$$

# Watt's governor

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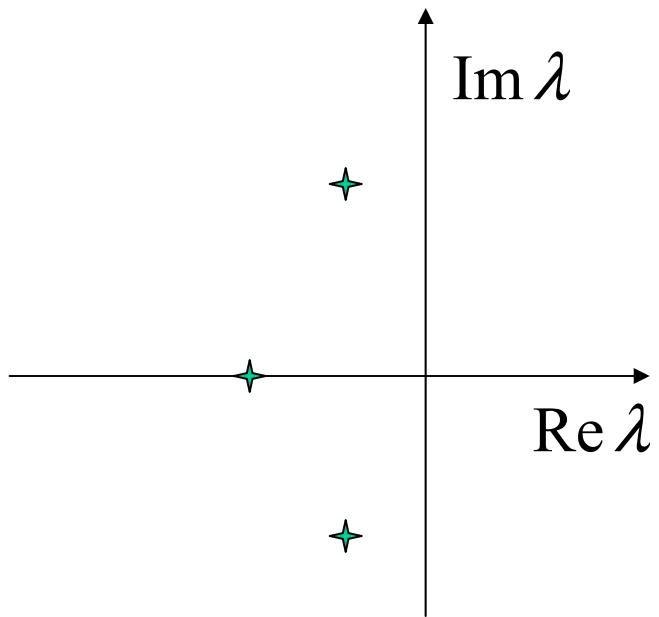
Characteristic equation:  $y = e^{\lambda t}$

$$\lambda^3 + a_1 \lambda^2 + a_2 \lambda + a_3 = 0$$

Stability condition:

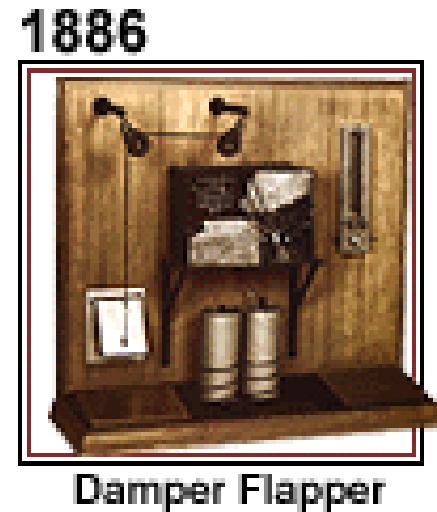
$$\operatorname{Re} \lambda_k < 0, \quad (k = 1, 2, 3)$$

- **Main points:**
  - Modeling
  - P feedback control
  - Linearization
  - LHP poles
- All still valid



# 1885 Thermostat

- 1885 Al Butz invented damper-flapper
  - bimetal plate (sensor/control)
  - motor to move the furnace damper)
- Started a company that became Honeywell in 1927
- Thermostat switching on makes the main motor shaft to turn one-half revolution opening the furnace's air damper.
- Thermostat switching off makes the motor to turn another half revolution, closing the damper and damping the fire.
- On-off control based on threshold



# Main Points

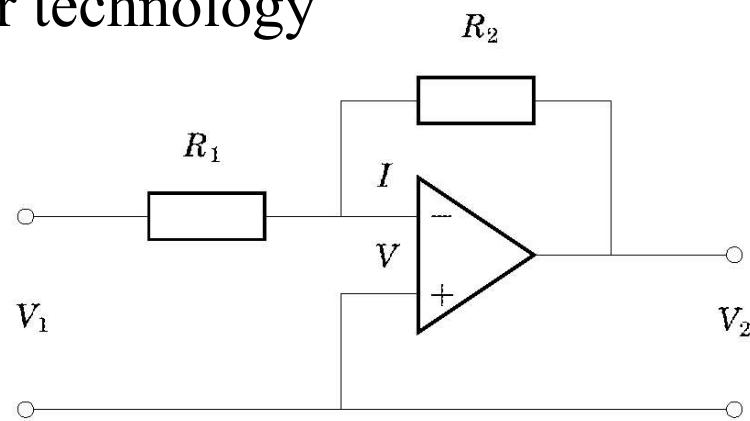
- Use of emerging electrical system technology
- Significant market for heating regulation (especially in Minnesota and Wisconsin)
- Increased comfort and fuel savings passed to the customer.  
Customer value proposition
- Integrated control device with an actuator. Add-on device installed with existing heating systems

# 1930s Feedback Amplifier

- Signal amplification in first telecom systems (telephone)  
Analog vacuum tube amplifier technology
- Feedback concept

$$\frac{V_1 - V}{R_1} = \frac{V - V_2}{R_2}$$

$$V_2 = GV$$



$$\frac{V_1}{V_2} = R_1 \left[ \frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{1}{G} \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) \right] = -\frac{R_1}{R_2} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{G} \left( 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right) \right]$$

- Bode's analysis of the transients in the amplifiers (1940)

# Feedback Amplifier - Main Points

- Electronic systems technology
- Large telecommunications market
- Useful properties of large gain feedback realized:  
linearization, error insensitivity
- Conceptual step. It was initially unclear why the feedback loop would work dynamically, why it would not always grow unstable.

# 1940s WWII Military Applications

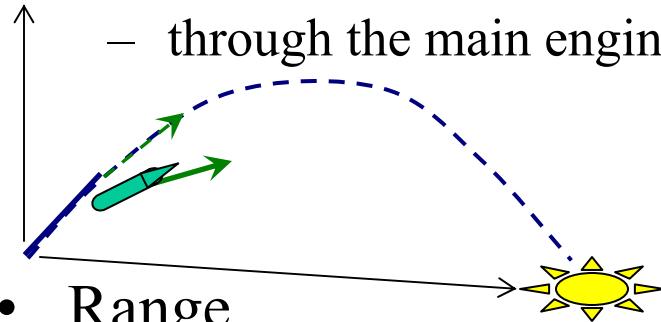
- Sperry Gyroscope Company – flight instruments – later bought by Honeywell to become Honeywell aerospace control business.
- Servosystem – gun pointing, ship steering, using gyro
- Norden bombsight – Honeywell C-1 autopilot - over 110,000 manufactured.
- Concepts – electromechanical feedback, PID control.
- Nyquist, servomechanism, transfer function analysis,

# Autopilot - Main Points

- Enabled by the navigation technology - Sperry gyro
- Honeywell got the autopilot contract because of its control system expertise – in thermostats
- Emergence of cross-application control engineering technology and control business specialization.

# 1960s - Rocket science

- SS-7 missile range control
  - through the main engine cutoff time.



- Range

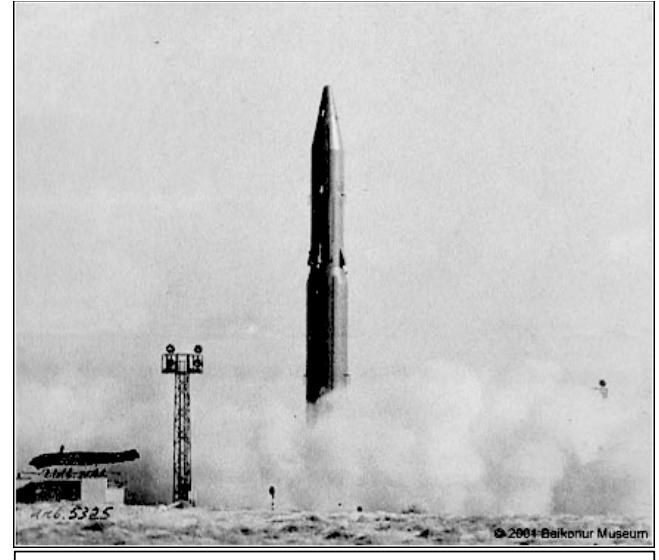
$$r = F(\Delta V_x, \Delta V_y, \Delta X, \Delta Y)$$

- Range Error

$$\delta r(t) = f_1 \Delta V_x(t) + f_2 \Delta V_y(t) + f_3 \Delta X(t) + f_4 \Delta Y(t)$$

- Algorithm:

- track  $\delta r(t)$ , cut the engine off at  $T$  when  $\delta r(T) = 0$



USSR R-16/8K64/SS-7/Saddler  
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# Missile range control - Main Points

- Nominal trajectory needs to be pre-computed and optimized
- Need to have an accurate inertial navigation system to estimate the speed and coordinates
- Need to have feedback control that keeps the missile close to the nominal trajectory (guidance and flight control system)
- $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4$ , and  $f_T$  must be pre-computed
- Need to have an on-board device continuously computing

$$\delta r(t) = f_1 \Delta V_x(t) + f_2 \Delta V_y(t) + f_3 \Delta X(t) + f_4 \Delta Y(t)$$

# 1975 - Distributed Control System

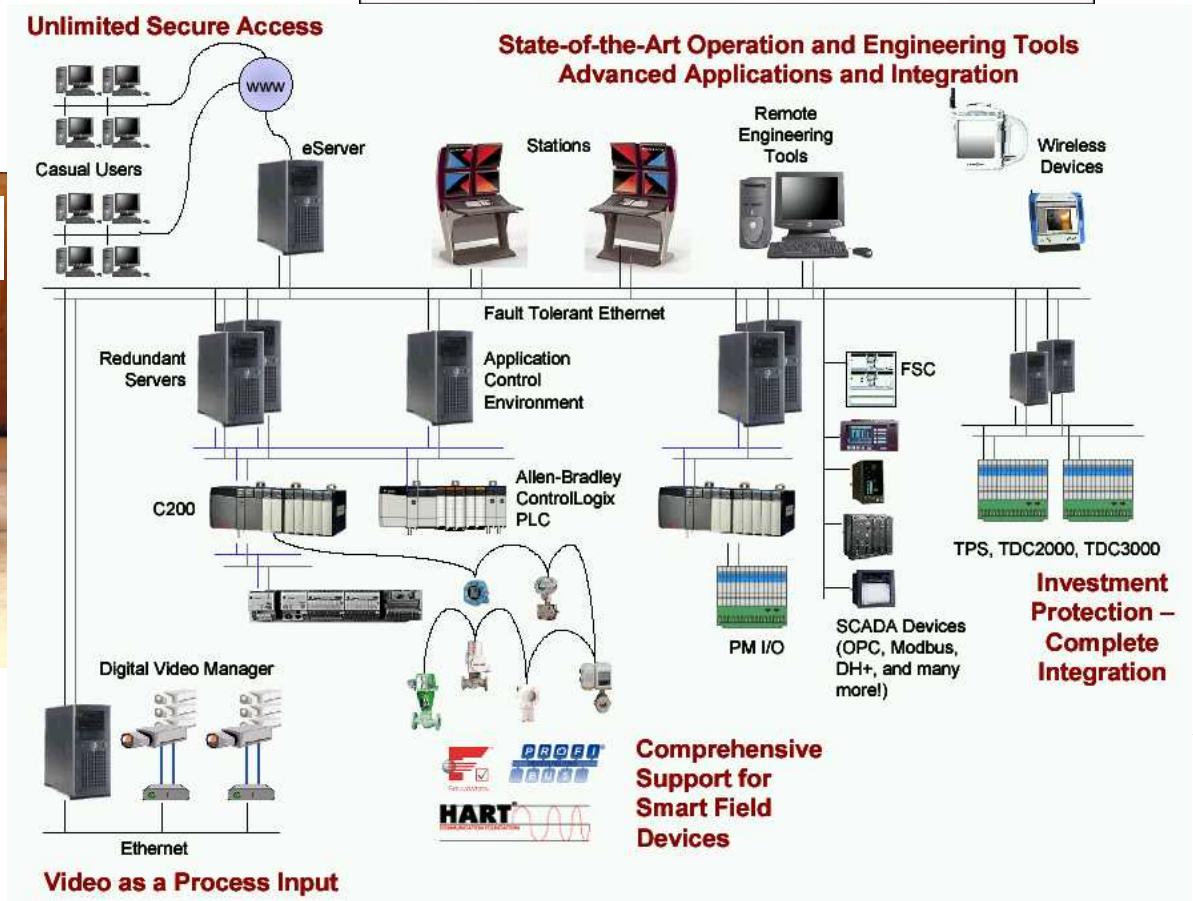
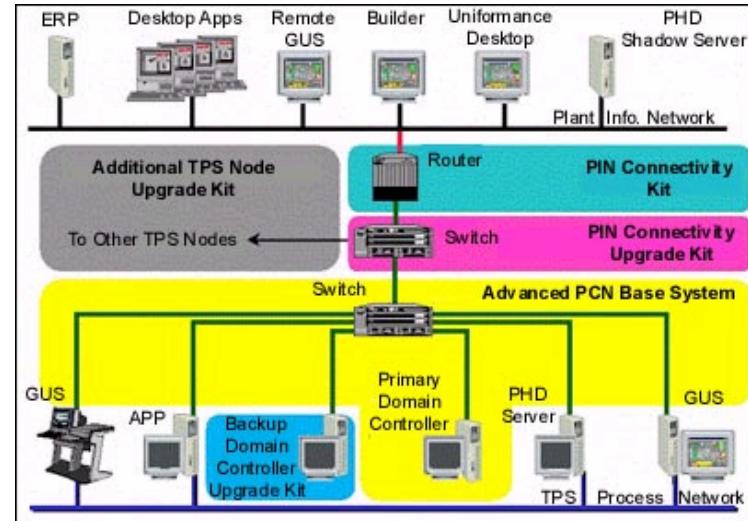
- 1963 - Direct digital control was introduced at a petrochemical plant (Texaco)
- 1970 - PLC's were introduced on the market.
- 1975 - First DCS was introduced by Honeywell
- PID control, flexible software
- Networked control system, configuration tuning and access from one UI station
- Auto-tuning technology

# DCS example

Honeywell  
Experion PKS



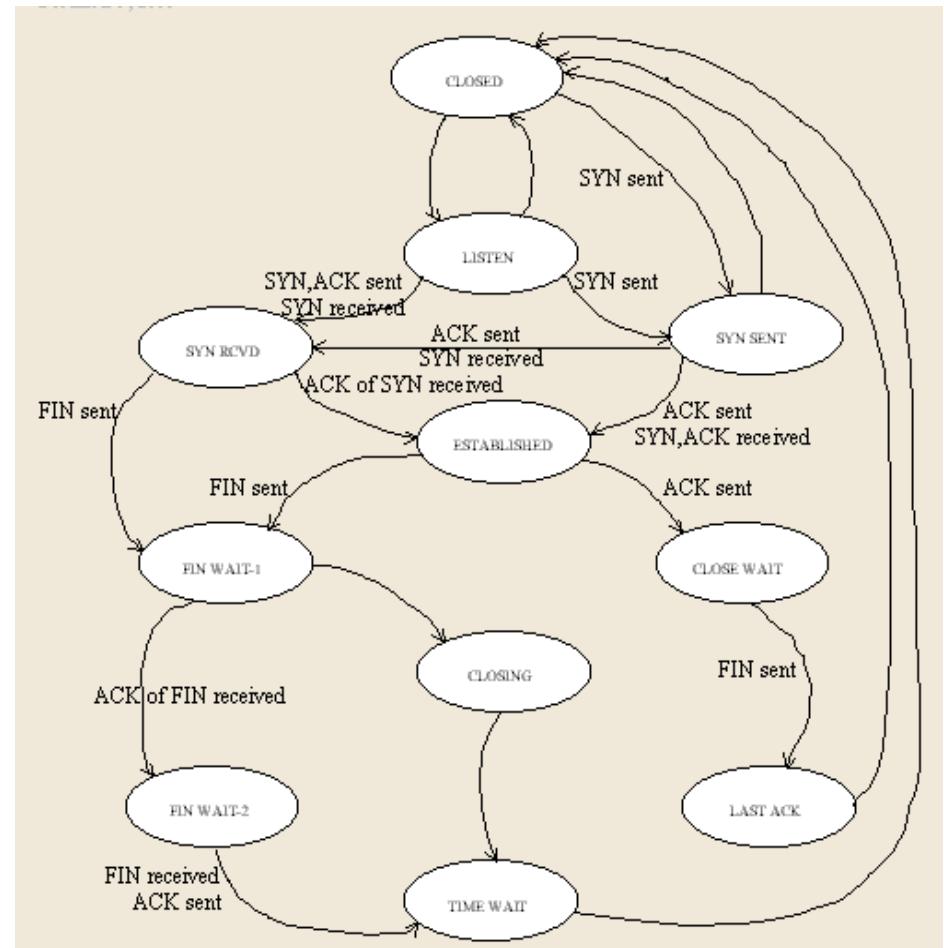
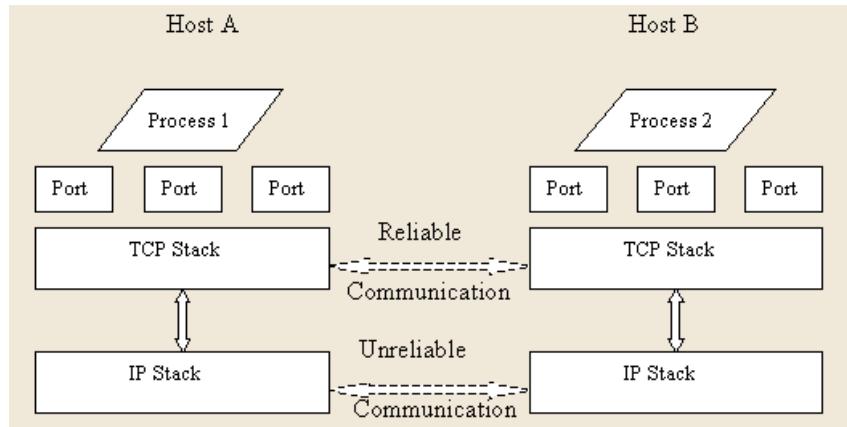
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# DCS - Main Points

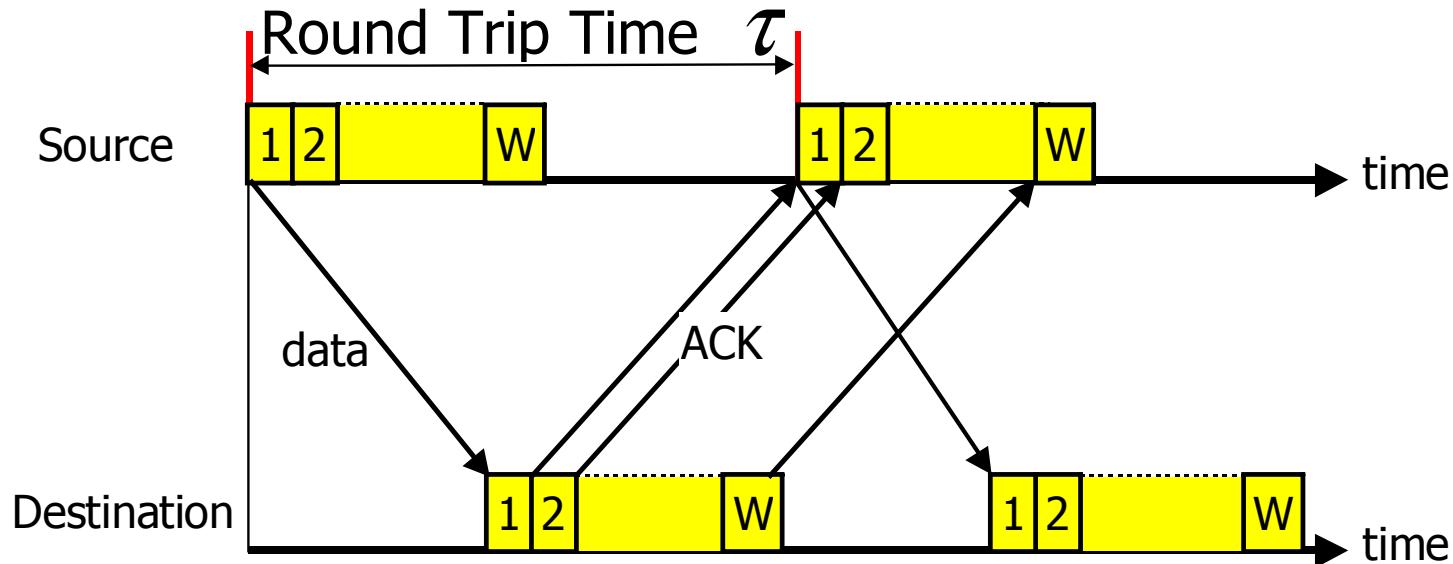
- Digital technology + networking
- Rapid pace of the process industry automation
- The same PID control algorithms
- Deployment, support and maintenance cost reduction for massive amount of loops
- Auto-tuning technology
- Industrial digital control is becoming a commodity
- Facilitates deployment of supervisory control and monitoring

# 1974 - TCP/IP



- TCP/IP - Cerf/Kahn, 1974
- Berkeley-LLNL network crash, 1984
- Congestion control -Van Jacobson, 1986

# TCP flow control



$$\text{Transmission rate: } x = \frac{W}{\tau} \text{ packets/sec}$$

Here:

- Flow control dynamics near the maximal transmission rate
- From S.Low, F.Paganini, J.Doyle, CSM, 2000

# TCP Reno congestion avoidance

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for every loss {  
    W = W/2  
}  
for every ACK {  
    W += 1/W  
}
```

- packet acknowledgment rate:  $x$
- lost packets: with probability  $q$   
$$\Delta x_{lost} = -xW/2$$
- transmitted: with probability  $(1-q)$   
$$\Delta x_{sent} = x/W$$

$$\dot{x} = q \frac{\Delta x_{lost}}{\tau} + (1 - q) \frac{\Delta x_{sent}}{\tau} \quad x = \frac{W}{\tau}$$

$$\dot{x} = \frac{1 - q}{\tau^2} - \frac{1}{2} qx^2$$

- $x$  - transmission rate
- $\tau$  - round trip time
- $q$  - loss probability

# TCP flow control - Main Points

- Flow control enables stable operation of the Internet
- Developed by CS folks - no ‘controls’ analysis
- Ubiquitous, TCP stack is on ‘every’ piece of silicon
- Analysis and systematic design is being developed some 20 years later
- The behavior of the network is important. We looked at a single transmission link.
- Most of analysis and systematic design activity are happening in the last 5-6 years and this is not over yet ...

# Past → Present

- That was history
- What is going on in control at present?

# Control Engineering at Present

Controls people could ask:

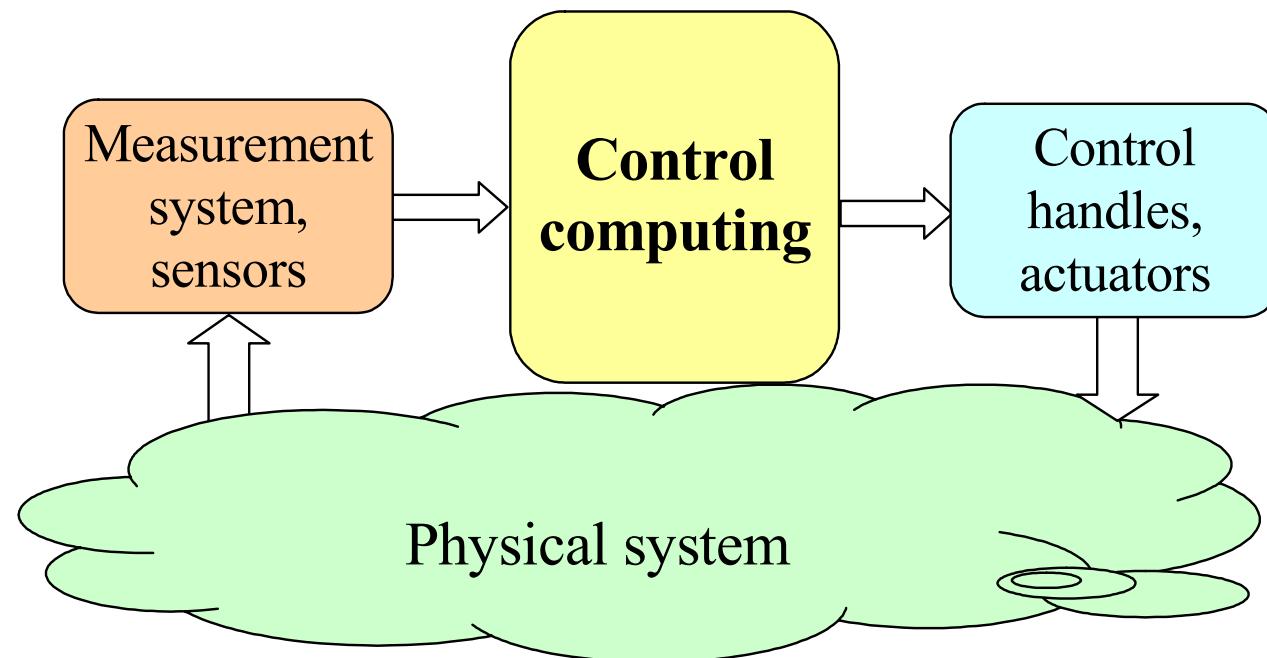
- What big control application is coming next?
- Where and how control technology will be used?

Other engineers could ask:

- What do we need to know about controls to get by?

Will discuss in this course, along with some systems engineering ideas

# Focus of This Course



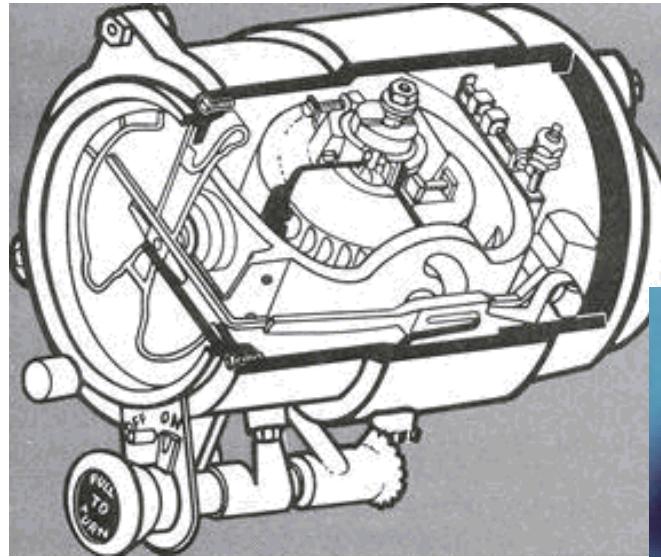
- This course is focused on **control computing** algorithms and their relationship with the overall system design.
- System engineering (design and analysis) is closely related to control computing analysis

# Technology Trends

- Why this is relevant and important at present?
- Computing is becoming ubiquitous
- Sensors are becoming miniaturized, cheap, and pervasive.  
MEMS sensors
- Actuator technology developments include:
  - evolution of existing types
  - previously hidden in the system, not actively controlled
  - micro-actuators (piezo, MEMS)
  - control handles other than mechanical actuators, e.g., in telecom

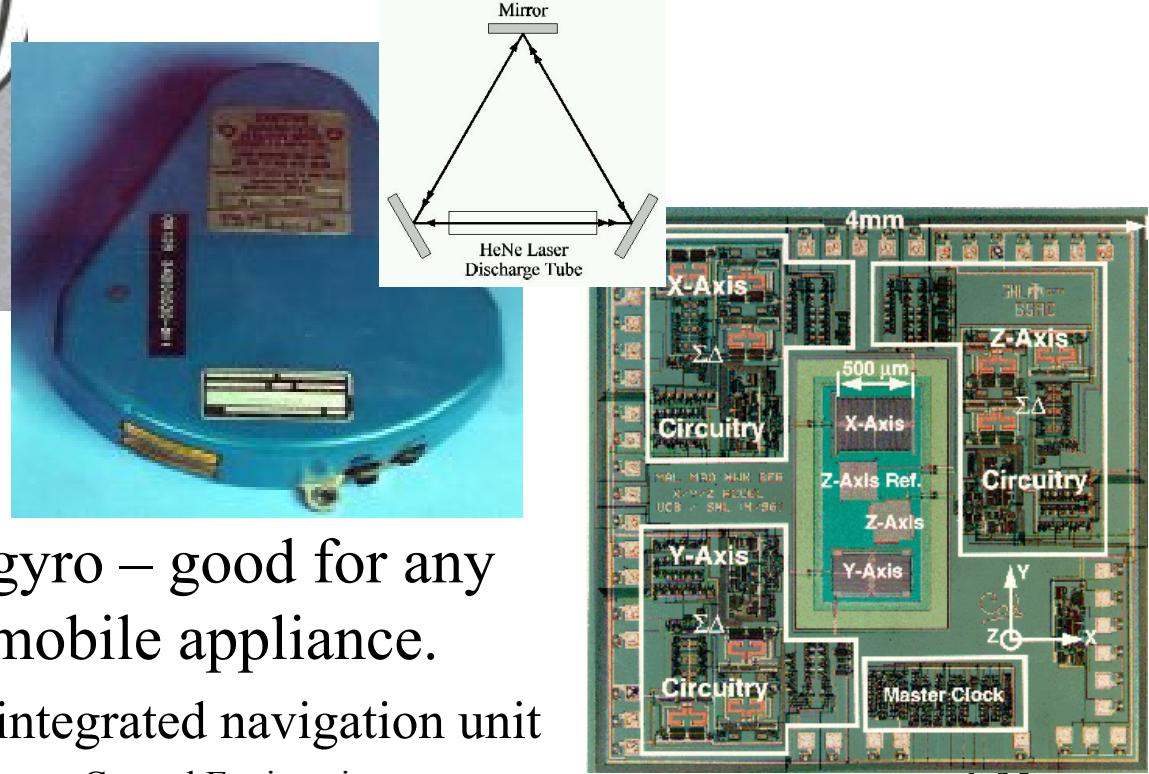
# Measurement system evolution.

## Navigation system example



- Laser ring gyro, used in aerospace presently.

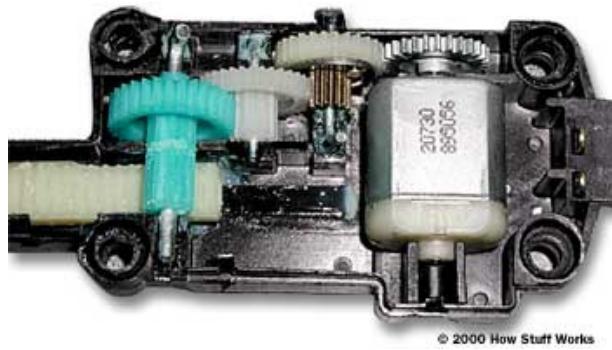
- Mechanical gyro by Sperry – for ships, aircraft. Honeywell acquired Sperry Aerospace in 1986 - avionics, space.



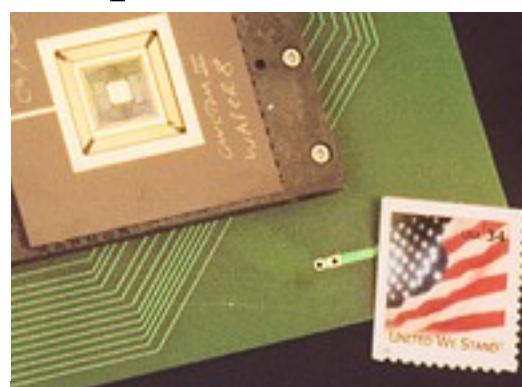
- MEMS gyro – good for any vehicle/mobile appliance.
  - $(1")^3$  integrated navigation unit

# Actuator evolution

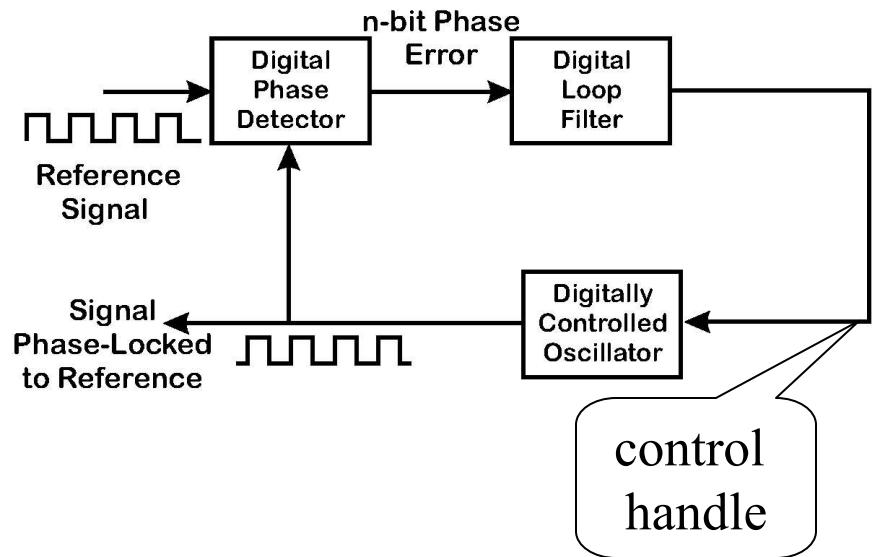
- Electromechanical actuators: car power everything



- Adaptive optics, MEMS



- Communication - digital PLL



# Control computing

- Computing grows much faster than the sensors and actuators
- CAD tools, such as Matlab/Simulink, allow focusing on algorithm design. Implementation is automated
- Past: control was done by dedicated and highly specialized experts. Still the case for some very advanced systems in aerospace, military, automotive, etc.
- Present: control and signal-processing technology are standard technologies associated with computing.
- Embedded systems are often designed by system/software engineers.
- This course emphasizes practically important issues of control computing

# Control and Systems Engineering

- Computing element - software
- System, actuator, and sensor physics might be very different
- Modeling abstraction
- Controls and systems engineering are used across many applications
  - similar principles
  - transferable skills
  - mind the application!

# Practical Issues of Control Design

- Technical requirements
- Economics: value added, # of replications
  - automotive, telecom, disk drives - millions of copies produced
  - space, aviation - unique to dozens to several hundreds
  - process control - each process is unique, hundreds of the same type
- Developer interests, cool factor
- Integration with existing system features
- Skill set in engineering development and support
- Field service/support requirements
- Marketing/competition, creation of unique IP
- Regulation/certification: FAA/FDA

# Major control applications

Specialized control groups, formal development processes

- Aviation
  - Guidance, Navigation, and Control (GN&C)
  - propulsion - engines
  - vehicle utilities: power, environmental control, etc
- Automotive
  - powertrain
  - suspension, traction, braking, steering
- Disk drives
- Industrial automation and process control
  - process industries: refineries, pulp and paper, chemical
  - semiconductor manufacturing processes
  - home and buildings

# Commercial applications

Advanced design - commercial

- Embedded mechanical
  - mechatronics/servo actuators
- Robotics
  - lab automation
  - manufacturing plant robots (e.g., automotive)
  - semiconductors
- Power
  - generation and transmission
- Transportation
  - locomotives, elevators
  - marine
- Nuclear engineering

# High-performance applications

## Advanced design

- Aerospace and Defense
  - aero, ground, space vehicles - piloted and unmanned
  - missiles/munitions
  - comm and radar: ground, aero, space
  - campaign control: C4ISR
  - directed energy
- Science instruments
  - astronomy
  - accelerators
  - fusion: TOKAMAKs, LLNL ignition

# Embedded applications

No specialized control groups

- Embedded controllers
  - consumer
  - test and measurement
  - power/current
  - thermal control
- Telecom
  - PLLs, equalizers
  - antennas, wireless, las comm
  - flow/congestion control
  - optical networks - analog, physics

# Emerging control applications

A few selected cases

- Biomedical
  - life support: pacemakers anesthesia
  - diagnostics: MRI scanners, etc
  - ophthalmology
  - bio-informatics equipment
  - robotics surgery
- Computing
  - task/load balancing
- Finance and economics
  - trading