

## A Combination of PD Controller and PIAFC for Stabilization of “x” Configuration Quadcopter

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### Abstract

This paper presents a stabilization control method for “x” configuration quadcopter. The control method used the combination of PD (Proportional Derivative) controller and PIAFC (Proportional Integral Active Force Control). PD is used to stabilize quadcopter, and PIAFC is used to reject uncertainty disturbance (e.g. wind) by estimating disturbance torque value of quadcopter. The PD with PIAFC provided better result where PIAFC could minimize uncertain disturbance effect. The simulation has successfully give comparison about controller performance (PD, PD-AFC, PD-PIAFC) by calculate RMS (Root Mean Square) value. PD with AFC gives better result than PD. AFC optimization using PI (PD-PIAFC) give best result if compared with PD or PD-AFC. PD-PIAFC has lowest RMS value of result control signal, 0.0389 for constant disturbance and 0.1008 for fluctuated disturbance.

**Keywords:** “x” configuration quadcopter, stability, PD, PIAFC.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Multicopter, a type of UAV is popular among hobbyist and researchers. It has advantages in thrust, fast maneuver and VTOL ability (Vertical Take Off Landing). Multicopter has motors located at each end of the frame to produce greater thrust than other UAV in same size. Multicopter has a good handling even in a narrow space due to its fast response maneuverability. During development, multicopter able to turn into high speed UAV by altering the orientation and control techniques on quadcopter (quadshoot) that developed by Massachusetts Institute of Technology. VTOL capability facilitates multicopter for taking off and landing on a narrow area. In addition, the quadcopter is an interesting research material among researchers for many novelties that can be applied, for example in the control system, navigation techniques, real-time systems and robotics.

This paper focuses on quadcopter. Quadcopter has a simple structure. It utilizes rotors which are directed upwards and placed at the end of a

crossed frame. The quadcopter is controlled by adjusting the rotation speed of each rotor. This research uses "x" configuration quadcopter because this configuration is considered more stable than "+" quadcopter configuration [1]. The "x" configuration quadcopter has a better distribution of rotor forces during flying. The "x" quadcopter configuration structure can be found in Section 2.

Quadcopter is an excellent object for investigating issues in control science. There are many researches about quadcopter control algorithms and uncertainty disturbance rejection. Bouabdallah et al. designed an LQ controller and PID controller then compared them [2]. The result shows the PID controller is better than the LQ controller. Jun Li and Yuntang Li designed a PID controller to control angular and linear position, and succeeded in stabilizing the quadcopter [3]. Mokhtari and Benallegue applied state parameter control to quadcopter rotation angle [4]. By using a state observer, a quadcopter can measure external disturbances. Bora and Erdinc have been controlling the position of a quadcopter using a PD controller and combined it with a vision system [5]. Pounds et al. developed independent linear SISO controllers to regulate a quadcopter using a PID controller [6]. Inkyu Sa and Peter Corke developed a vehicle infrastructure inspection using a quadcopter and shared autonomy control using a PID method and successfully stabilized the quadcopter [7]. Sumantri et al. designed a sliding mode control using a nonlinear sliding surface (NSS) to design a robust tracking controller for a quad-rotor helicopter [8]. Chen and Huzmezan used a linear  $H_\infty$  controller to achieve stabilization in angular rates, vertical velocity, longitudinal velocity, lateral velocity, yaw angle, and height of a quadcopter [9]. A linear  $H_\infty$  controller can be designed to obtain stabilization and tracking performance using a systematic approach [10]. Pitowarno has designed Active Force Control and Knowledge-Based System for a planar two-joint robot arm to improve the performance of Active Force Control [11]. Katsura et al. have modeled force sensing using a disturbance observer without a force sensor [12]. Chen et al. designed a disturbance observer control for a nonlinear system to control a robotic manipulator [13]. Achtelik et al. has developed a quadcopter using Model Reference Adaptive Control to reject uncertainty disturbances. The controller has been successfully used to stabilize the quadcopter [14].

It is very important to make a simple control algorithm to control the quadcopter stability although it gets uncertainty disturbances from the environment, because in a real system control algorithm will be embedded in a low speed data processing unit. PD can stabilize a quadcopter but is not good enough to maintain the quadcopter against uncertainty disturbances such as wind. PIAFC has the ability to estimate the force on the system without using complicated mathematical computation.

The purpose of this work is modelling and combining PD and PIAFC to control "x" configuration quadcopter when hovering even if it gets uncertainty disturbances. This paper is structured as follows. Section 2, presents a quadcopter dynamic modelling. Section 3, deals with quadcopter controller design.

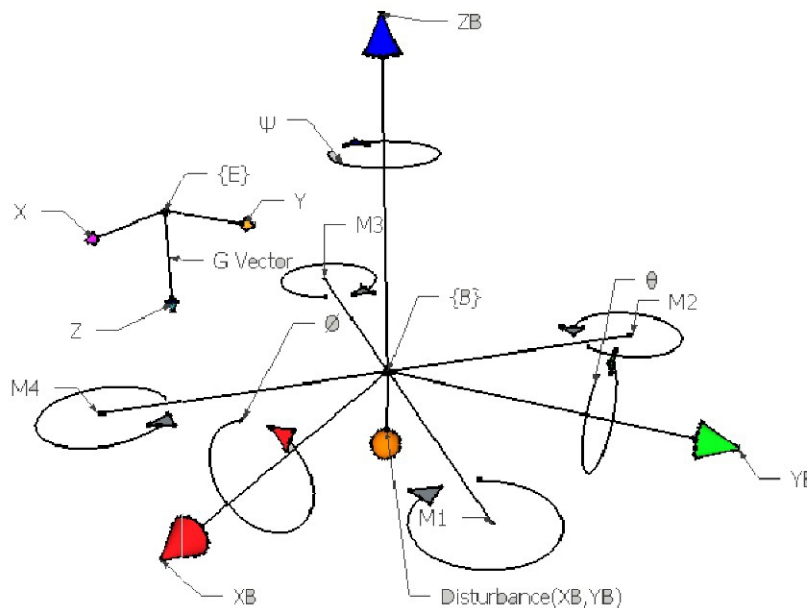
Section 4, presents the performance of the controller is shown in numerical simulations. Finally, in Section 5 conclusions of this work.

## 2. QUADCOPTER MODELLING

In this section the mathematical model of the quadcopter will be presented. This dynamic model contain the model of the rotor force and torque, gyroscopic effect, and the derrived force model of “x” configuration quadcopter.

Figure 1is the design of “x” configuration quadcopter. The rotors (M1, M2, M3, M4) are placed in sequence  $\pi/4, 3\pi/4, 5\pi/4, 7\pi/4$ . Two diagonal rotors (M1 and M3) are rotating in the same direction (counter clockwise) whereas the others (M2 and M4) in the clockwise direction to eliminate the anti-torque that caused by rotor rotation.

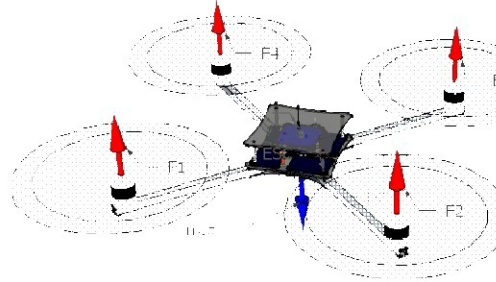
Absolute position of the quadcopter can be described by a coordinate position of the body frame {B} with reference earth frame {E}. Absolute attitude of the quadcopter can be described by three Euler's angles,  $(\phi, \theta, \psi)$ , which are roll, pitch and yaw with reference body frame {B} when XB, YB and ZB axis in parallel with X, Y and rotating 180 degree of Z axis.



**Figure 1.**An “x” configuration quadcopter

To make a movement along XB axis, quadcopter must produce pitch torque ( $\tau_y$ ). It means, quadcopter decreases rotor speed at M1 and M4, and increase rotor speed at M2 and M3. Likewise to make movement along YB axis, quadcopter must produce roll torque ( $\tau_x$ ). Quadcopter decreases rotor speed at M1 and M2, and increase rotor speed at M3 and M4. Then, to change

quadcopter heading, quadcopter must produce yaw torque ( $\tau_z$ ) by increasing M1 and M3 rotor speed, and decreasing M2 and M4 rotor speed.



**Figure 2.** Force distribution in quadcopter

Figure 2 shows the force distribution in quadcopter. “F1, F2, F3, F4” arrows are thrust force each motor, and “m.g” arrow is weight force of quadrotor. From Li et al., the thrust and hub force for each rotor ( $F_i, H_i$ ) can be represented in (1) and (2) [3]. Thrust force is the resultant of the vertical forces acting on all the blade elements. Hub force is the resultant of the horizontal forces acting on all the blade elements. Where  $\rho$  is air density.  $C_T$  is thrust constant that depend on polar lift slope, geometric blade, velocity trough motor, the ratio the surface area and rotor disk area [6].  $C_d$  is drag constant, and  $\Omega_i$  is propeller rotation speed.

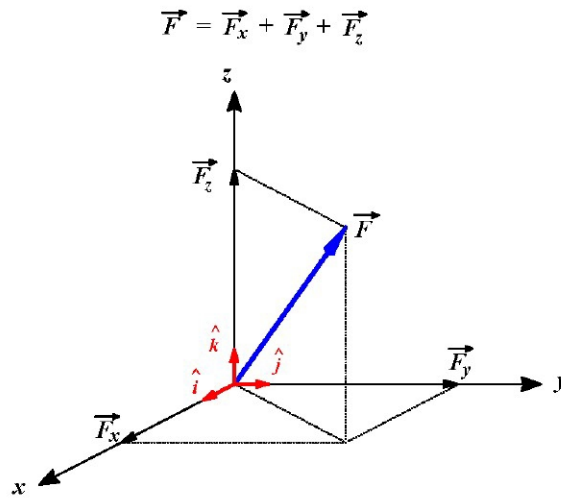
$$\begin{aligned} F_i &= 0.5\rho C_T \Omega_i^2 \\ &= k_t \Omega_i^2 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_i &= \rho C_d \Omega_i^2 \\ &= k_d \Omega_i^2 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Quadcopter can change its position by combining translation and rotation angle. Linear movement on the quadcopter can be produced by total thrust force of the four rotor (3), whereas changes in the angle of rotation (roll, pitch, yaw) will cause a change in the direction of translational movement quadcopter. Total force of the quadcopter can be decomposed into force element in each axis ( $F_x, F_y, F_z$ ). Figure 3 shows the illustration of force decomposition to each axis in body frame {B}.

$$F_{total} = \sum_{i=1}^4 F_i \quad (3)$$





**Figure 3.** Total forces illustration that decomposed into each axis

Equation (4) is rotation matrix of quadcopter.  $C, S$  are cosine function and sine function respectively.

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} C\phi C\theta & C\phi S\theta s\psi - C\psi S\phi & S\phi S\psi + C\phi C\psi S\phi \\ C\theta S\phi & C\phi C\psi + S\phi S\theta S\psi & C\psi S\phi C\theta - C\phi S\psi \\ -S\theta & C\theta S\psi & C\theta C\psi \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

The derived model of quadcopter translational movement can be represented as (5). Where  $\ddot{x}, \ddot{y}, \ddot{z}$  are linear acceleration in of quadcopter in each axis.

$$m \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \\ \ddot{z} \end{bmatrix} = R \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ F_{total} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ mg \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

The model also contain gyroscopic effect. Derrived torque model of quadcopter are presented at (6), (7), (8).

$$\tau_x = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \\ F_3 \\ F_4 \end{bmatrix}^T l \begin{bmatrix} C(\frac{\pi}{4}) \\ C(\frac{3\pi}{4}) \\ C(\frac{5\pi}{4}) \\ C(\frac{7\pi}{4}) \end{bmatrix} + \dot{\theta}\psi(I_{yy} - I_{zz}) \quad (6)$$

$$\tau_y = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \\ F_3 \\ F_4 \end{bmatrix}^T l \begin{bmatrix} S(\frac{\pi}{4}) \\ S(\frac{3\pi}{4}) \\ S(\frac{5\pi}{4}) \\ S(\frac{7\pi}{4}) \end{bmatrix} + \dot{\phi}\dot{\psi}(I_{zz} - I_{xx}) \quad (7)$$

$$\tau_z = K_d l (-F_1 + F_2 - F_3 + F_4) + \dot{\theta}\dot{\phi}(I_{xx} - I_{yy}) \quad (8)$$

$\tau_x, \tau_y, \tau_z$  are roll, pitch, yaw torque respectively.  $l$  is distance of rotor between center of mass.  $\dot{\phi}, \dot{\theta}, \dot{\psi}$  are roll, pitch, yaw angular body speed respectively.  $I_{xx}, I_{yy}, I_{zz}$  are roll, pitch, yaw body inertia respectively.  $K_d$  is force resistance constant in (2).

Let us define the control inputs of quadcopter are  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4$ . Where  $u_1$  is total force control input. Total force control input can derived by substitute (1) to (3).  $u_2$  is roll torque control input,  $u_3$  is pitch torque control input, and  $u_4$  is yaw torque control input can derived by substitute (1) to (6), (7) and (2) to (8). Where,  $k_t$  and  $k_d$  are constant value from (1), (2).

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= F_{total} \\ &= k_t \sum_{i=1}^4 \Omega_i^2 \\ u_2 &= \tau_x \\ &= k_t l \sum_{i=1}^4 \Omega_i^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(i-1) + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ u_3 &= \tau_y \\ &= k_t l \sum_{i=1}^4 \Omega_i^2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(i-1) + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ u_4 &= \tau_z \\ &= k_d l \sum_{i=1}^4 (-1)^i \Omega_i^2 \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

By substitute (9) into (5), (6), (7), (8), the derived model of quadcopter in (10). Where  $\ddot{\phi}, \ddot{\theta}, \ddot{\psi}$  are roll, pitch, yaw, angular acceleration at quadcopter body.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \ddot{x} &= \frac{(s\phi s\psi + c\phi c\psi s\theta)u_1}{m} \\
 \ddot{y} &= \frac{(c\psi s\phi c\theta - c\phi s\psi)u_1}{m} \\
 \ddot{z} &= \frac{(c\theta s\psi)u_1}{m} - g \\
 \dot{\phi} &= \frac{u_2 + \dot{\theta}\psi(I_{yy} - I_{zz})}{I_{xx}} \\
 \dot{\theta} &= \frac{u_3 + \dot{\phi}\psi(I_{zz} - I_{xx})}{I_{yy}} \\
 \dot{\psi} &= \frac{u_4 + \dot{\theta}\phi(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{zz}}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{10}$$

Mechanical energy there are kinetic energy ( $E_K$ ) and potential energy ( $E_P$ ) in quadcopter can define as :

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_K &= 0.5 I_{xx}(\dot{\phi} - \psi s\theta)^2 + 0.5 I_{yy}(\dot{\theta} c\phi + c\theta s\phi)^2 + 0.5 I_{zz}(\dot{\psi} c\theta - \psi c\theta c\phi)^2 \\
 &= 0.5 I_{xx} \dot{\phi}^2 + 0.5 I_{yy} \dot{\theta}^2 + 0.5 I_{zz} \dot{\psi}^2
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{11}$$

$$E_P = \int x dm(x) \cdot (-gs\theta) + \int y dm(y) \cdot (c\theta s\phi) + \int z dm(z) \cdot (c\phi c\theta)
 \tag{12}$$

### 3. QUADCOPTER CONTROLLER DESIGN

In this section, the control algorithm of quadcopter is presented. The purpose is to combine PD and PIAFC as rotational controller to stabilize quadcopter. Figure 4 shows the proposed rotational controller to stabilize quadcopter.

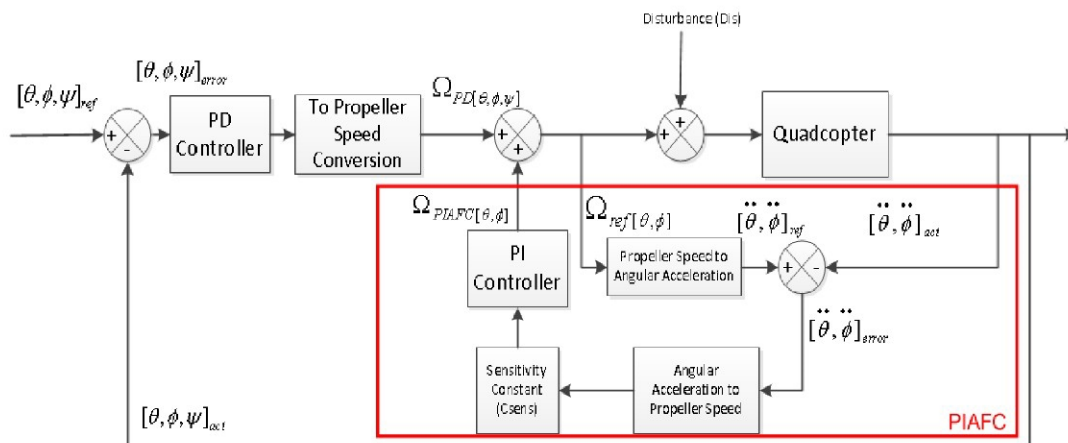


Figure 4. The proposed rotational controller

Figure 5 shows quadcopter control structure. In this simulation, translational movement are neglected. The controller design is focused to stabilize the quadcopter toward disturbance. PD controller is used to stabilize quadcopter and PIAFC to reject uncertainty disturbance from environment. In this simulation, quadcopter get constant and fluctuated disturbance.

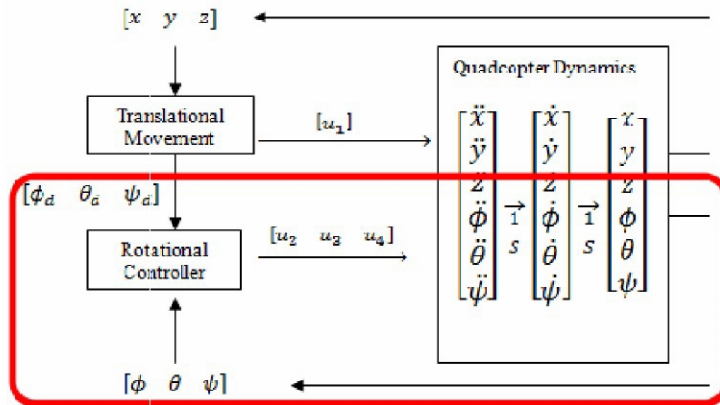


Figure 5. Quadcopter control structure

From Figure 5, the relationship of each input and each state can be represented as (13).

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{X} &= AX + BU \\ X &= [\phi \ \theta \ \psi \ \dot{\phi} \ \dot{\theta} \ \dot{\psi}]^T \\ U &= [u_1 \ u_2 \ u_3 \ u_4] \\ X &= [\dot{\phi} \ \dot{\theta} \ \dot{\psi} \ \ddot{\phi} \ \ddot{\theta} \ \ddot{\psi}]^T \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

The system matrix (A) can be represented as (14).

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{\dot{\psi}(I_{yy} - I_{xx})}{2I_{xx}} & \frac{\dot{\theta}(I_{yy} - I_{xx})}{2I_{xx}} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{\dot{\psi}(I_{zz} - I_{xx})}{2I_{yy}} & 0 & \frac{\dot{\phi}(I_{zz} - I_{xx})}{2I_{yy}} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{\dot{\theta}(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{2I_{zz}} & \frac{\dot{\phi}(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{2I_{zz}} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$

The control matrix (B) can be represented as (15).

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{I_{xx}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{I_{yy}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{I_{zz}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (15)$$

### 3.1 Disturbance Model

In this subsection, the model of disturbance will be presented. The disturbance vector ( $Dis$ ) that used in this paper consists of two types. First simulation use constant disturbance ( $Dis_{CX}$ ), and second simulation fluctuated/uncertainty disturbance ( $Dis_{FX}$ ). Figure 1 shows disturbance position of quadcopter, disturbance mass located at ( $L_{DXB}$ ,  $L_{DYB}$ ) from the center of quadcopter in ( $XB$ ,  $YB$ ) axis. By including disturbance vector, state equation (13) can be written as follows:

$$\dot{X} = AX + BU + Dis \quad (16)$$

First simulation with constant disturbance:

$$Dis = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ Dis_{CX} \ L_{DYB} \ Dis_{CX} \ L_{DXB} \ 0]^T \quad (17)$$

Second simulation with fluctuated disturbance:

$$Dis = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ Dis_{FX} \ L_{DYB} \ Dis_{FX} \ L_{DXB} \ 0]^T \quad (18)$$

### 3.2 PD Controller Design

PD control algorithm is designed without disturbance parameter. The controller design is focused to stabilize quadcopter when hover without get uncertainty disturbance. The model that presented at Section 2 is completed by gyroscopic effect. If we design quadcopter stabilize at hover, it can be ignored because it dont have significant effect at quadcopter system [15]. The model can be simplified:

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{\phi} &= \frac{k_t l \sum_{i=1}^4 \Omega_i^2 \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}(i-1) + \frac{\pi}{4})}{I_{xx}} \\ \ddot{\theta} &= \frac{k_t l \sum_{i=1}^4 \Omega_i^2 \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}(i-1) + \frac{\pi}{4})}{I_{yy}} \\ \ddot{\psi} &= \frac{k_d \sum_{i=1}^4 (-1)^i \Omega_i}{I_{zz}} \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$



The simulation purposes is to stabilize roll, pitch and yaw angle. By using twice integral operation at (19), the model can be rewritten as :

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{\phi} &= \frac{k_t l \sum_{i=1}^4 \Omega_i^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(i-1) + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{I_{xx} s^2} \\ \ddot{\theta} &= \frac{k_t l \sum_{i=1}^4 \Omega_i^2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(i-1) + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{I_{yy} s^2} \\ \ddot{\psi} &= \frac{k_d \sum_{i=1}^4 (-1)^i \Omega_i}{I_{zz} s^2}\end{aligned}\quad (20)$$

From (20), the model is second order form, therefore it can use classical controller to stabilize quadcopter. PD controller will be presented to stabilize quadcopter. The reason is this controller very simple and easy implemented. This is PD controller each orientation angle.

$$u_2, u_3, u_4 = P_{\phi, \theta, \psi}(\phi, \theta, \psi) + D_{\phi, \theta, \psi}(\phi, \theta, \psi) \quad (21)$$

Where  $u_2, u_3, u_4$  are control input for roll, pitch, yaw torque respectively.  $P_{\phi, \theta, \psi}(\phi, \theta, \psi)$  are proporsional control for roll, pitch, and yaw respectively.  $D_{\phi, \theta, \psi}(\phi, \theta, \psi)$  are derrivative control for roll, pitch, and yaw respectively.

### 3.3 PIAFC Controller Design

PIAFC controller is designed to reject uncertainty disturbance from environment. It is combined PI controller and AFC Controller. Figure 6 shows the PIAFC block diagram that used in simulation. This block has two inputs, first is measured angular velocity that differentiated into actual angular acceleration (22). Second input is applied propeller speed that converted into angular acceleration reference (24). To get estimated disturbance, actual angular acceleration is compared by angular acceleration reference (25). Last, convert the disturbance acceleration into propeller speed (26) then add the result with PD controller result.

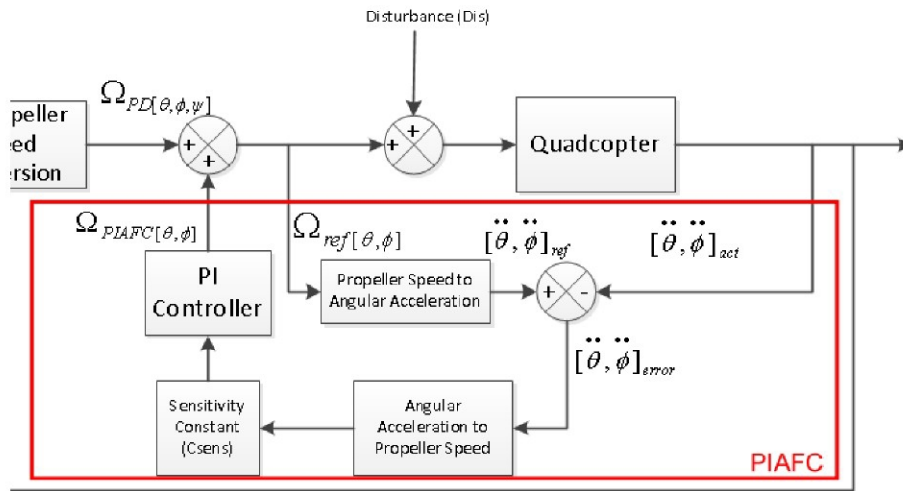


Figure 6. AFC block diagram

Let us define  $\gamma$  is rotation angle roll and pitch axis  $(\phi, \theta)$ ,

$$\ddot{\gamma} = \frac{d\dot{\gamma}}{dt} \tag{22}$$

$$\Omega_{\phi} = \Omega_1 + \Omega_2 - \Omega_3 - \Omega_4 \tag{23}$$

$$\Omega_{\theta} = \Omega_1 - \Omega_2 - \Omega_3 + \Omega_4 \tag{24}$$

$$\ddot{\gamma}_{ref} = \frac{0.5\rho C_t I \Omega_{\gamma} |\Omega_{\gamma}|}{I_{xx,yy}} \tag{25}$$

$$\ddot{\gamma}_{AFC} = \ddot{\gamma}_{ref} - \ddot{\gamma} \tag{26}$$

$$\Omega_{PIAFC} = P(\ddot{\gamma}_{AFC}) + I(\dot{\gamma}_{AFC})$$

$\ddot{\gamma}_{AFC}$  is disturbance angular acceleration estimation.  $\Omega_{PIAFC}$  is propeller speed calculation form PIAFC controller output.

### 3.4 Stability Analysis

From (10), let us define angular equation motion within controller as,

$$\begin{aligned} I_{xx}\ddot{\phi} &= u_2 + \dot{\theta}\dot{\psi}(I_{xx} - I_{zz}) \\ I_{yy}\ddot{\theta} &= u_3 + \dot{\phi}\dot{\psi}(I_{zz} - I_{yy}) \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

Because  $u_2, u_3$  is input control, and the value of gyroscopic torque is very small, then the equation can be rewritten as,

$$I_{xx}\ddot{\gamma} = P(\gamma) + D(\dot{\gamma}) + P(\ddot{\gamma}_{AFC}) + I(\dot{\gamma}_{AFC}) \tag{28}$$

From (11), kinetic energy ( $E_K$ ) in XB axis as Lyapunov function (V),

$$V = 0.5I_{xx,yy}\dot{\gamma}^2 \quad (29)$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= I_{xx,yy}\dot{\gamma}\ddot{\gamma} \\ \dot{V} &= (K_P(\gamma_{ref} - \gamma) + K_D(\dot{\gamma}_{ref} - \dot{\gamma}) + K_{PIAFC}(\gamma_{AFC} - \gamma))\dot{\gamma} \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Where  $[\gamma_{ref}, \dot{\gamma}_{ref}, \ddot{\gamma}_{ref}] = [0,0,0]$ , the equation can be rewritten as,

$$\dot{V} = (-K_P(\gamma) - K_D(\dot{\gamma}) + K_{PIAFC}(\ddot{\gamma}))\dot{\gamma} \quad (31)$$

$\dot{V}$  is negative definite, and thus the stability of the closed loop dynamics in is guaranteed.

#### 4. SIMULATION AND ANALYSIS

In this section, comparison result of PD, PD-AFC, and PD-PIAFC (AFC that optimized by PI controller) presented. Table 1 presents the quadcopter parameters that used in this simulation as follows are those for the experimental system in our laboratory.

**Table 1.** Quadcopter simulation parameter

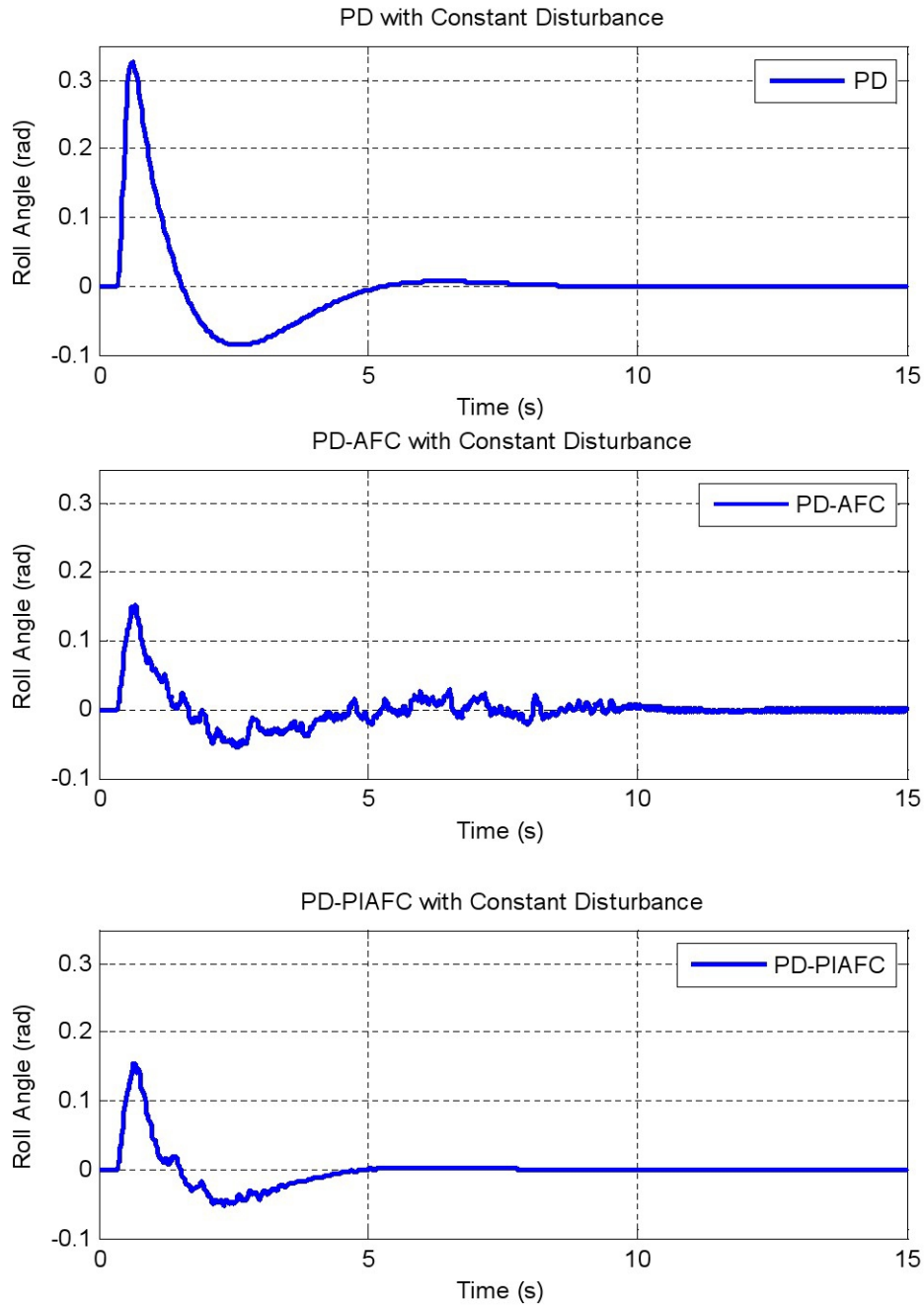
Parameter	Unit	Value
m	Kg	1.025
L	Meter	0.270
$k_t$	Ns <sup>2</sup>	3.122e-06
$k_d$	Nms <sup>2</sup>	1.759e-08
I <sub>xx</sub>	kgm <sup>2</sup>	0.012
I <sub>yy</sub>	kgm <sup>2</sup>	0.012
I <sub>zz</sub>	kgm <sup>2</sup>	0.048
Dis <sub>CX</sub>	Newton	0.2
Dis <sub>FX</sub>	Newton	0.2S(2π0.4t)
L <sub>DXB</sub>	mm	0
L <sub>DYB</sub>	mm	190

**Table 2.** PD coefficients simulation parameter

Parameter	Value
KP*	0.097
KD*	0.036
KP**	1.000
KI**	0.100

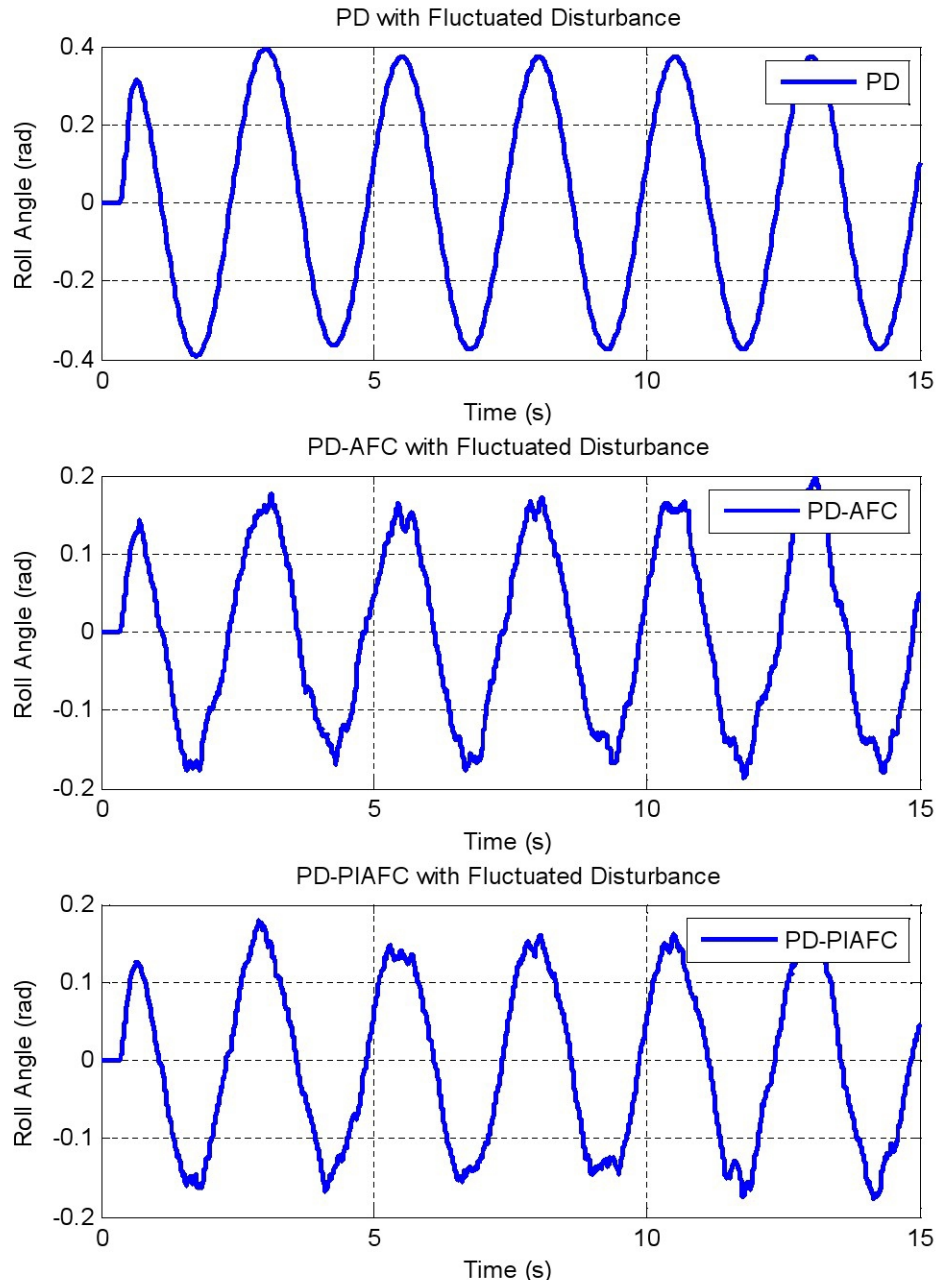
Note : \* for PD, \*\* for PIAFC.

PD coefficients that used for simulation are derived by trial and error to get best performance, the controller constant parameter are listed in Table 2. First simulation compares PD, PD-AFC, and PD-PIAFC performance if get constant disturbance. Second simulation compares PD, PD-AFC, and PD-PIAFC performance if get fluctuated disturbance. Root Mean Square (RMS) method is used to determine the controller performance analysis. Lower RMS value means better performance of controller.



**Figure 7.**Constant disturbance simulation result

Figure 7 shows the comparison result of PD, PD-AFC, and PD-PIAFC method with constant disturbance. By using PD, maximum error is 0.325 radian and can stable at 5 seconds. PD-AFC and PD-PIAFC give smaller error, 0.15 radian. PD-AFC noise more than PD-PIAFC. PD controller has RMS value 0.059, PD-AFC is 0.041, and PD-PIAFC is 0.0389. From RMS value, we can conclude PD-PIAFC give best result of controller.



**Figure 8.** Fluctuated disturbance simulation result



Figure 8 shows the simulation result of PD method, PD-AFC, and PD-PIAFC method with fluctuated disturbance. In this simulation, PD maximum error is 0.4 radian. PD-AFC and PD-PIAFC give smaller error, 0.15 radian. PD-AFC noise more than PD-PIAFC. PD controller has RMS value 0.2586, PD-AFC is 0.1054, and PD-PIAFC is 0.1008. From RMS value, we can conclude PD-PIAFC give best result of controller.

From the simulation, PIAFC controller can minimize the effect of disturbance. In each simulation, PD-PIAFC gives best result. PD-PIAFC has lowest RMS value, 0.0389 for constant disturbance and 0.1008 for fluctuated disturbance.

## 6. CONCLUSION

An "x" configuration quadcopter has been successfully modeled. Then, simulation results have been presented to show the controller performance. The simulation has successfully give comparison about controller performance (PD, PD-AFC, PD-PIAFC) by calculate Root Mean Square (RMS) value. PD with AFC gives better result than PD. AFC optimization using PI (PD-PIAFC) give best result if compared with PD or PD-AFC. PD-PIAFC has lowest RMS value of result control signal, 0.0389 for constant disturbance and 0.1008 for fluctuated disturbance.

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