

# **Tuning Procedure**

For the Sigma II Servo System

### PRELIMINARY SETUP

- 1. Set **Pn103** = Inertia RatioX100
- 2. Turn OFF online Auto-tuning (Pn110.0=2)
- 3. Turn OFF automatic mode switch (Pn10B.0=4)
- 4. Cycle control power

#### FINDING THE INERTIA RATIO

METHOD 1: Use ratio calculated from sizing. METHOD 2: Use the Excel spreadsheet, *Inertia by Graphical Analysis*.

METHOD 3: Use the amplifier's Online Auto-Tuning algorithm.

- 1. Turn auto-tuning 'Always On' (Pn110.0=1, cycle power)
- 2. Select an appropriate rigidity (Fn001)
- Run machine under normal pattern and load
  Monitor the identified inertia as it settles
- into a range of values
- 5. Put this value into Pn103.

# TUNING

Note: Instability and vibration may not become apparent until the motor starts to move. Tune the machine while the servomotor is running.

# I. The Torque Loop

Goals of tuning the torque loop

- Set Pn401 as low as possible so that speed loop gains can later be raised.
- Use the notch filter(s) to eliminate problem frequencies and further decrease Pn401.
- For machine tool applications where the surface finish is important, Torque Reference peak-to-peak ripple should be less than 5%. If it is expected that the speed loop gain will also be raised, shoot for torque ripple even lower.
- 1. Decrease the torque reference filter time constant (Pn401) until servomotor vibrates.
  - If it is already vibrating, decrease Pn100 until vibration is minimal.
- 2. Graph the Torque Reference during vibration using the lowest sample time and measure the frequency.
  - For a frequency <500Hz
    - Activate Notch Filter (Pn408.0=1) at the resonant frequency (Pn409)
      - If the resonance does not change, try moving Pn409 up or down.
    - Decrease Pn401 further until the servomotor vibrates again.
- 3. Increase Pn401 until the servomotor stops vibrating. Torque signal noise should be less than 5% (peak-peak).
  - This sets the frequency response of the torque loop, resulting in a cutoff

frequency of  $f_c \cong \frac{15,900}{Pn401}(Hz)$ .



## II. The Speed Loop

Goals of tuning the speed loop may include the following:

- Make SPEED REFERENCE and FEEDBACK SPEED match as closely as possible
- Maintain proper bandwidth separation between speed and torque loop
- For machine tool applications where the surface finish is important, Torque Reference peak-to-peak ripple should be less than 5%.
- 1. Set  $Kv = \frac{f_C}{4}(Hz)$  as a starting value
  - Assume  $K_V = Pn100$  when Pn103 is set to the machine's inertia ratio.

• If this is not possible, use 
$$K_V = \frac{(\frac{Pn103}{100} + 1) \times J_M}{J_L + J_M} \times Pn100$$

- Adjust Pn100 up or down while monitoring the graphed response.
- A higher value of Pn100 will bring feedback speed closer to speed reference during acceleration
- $K_V$  must NEVER get too close to the torque loop bandwidth (fc), or the system will become unstable.

2. Set  $Pn101 \cong \frac{36,600}{K_V}$  (*units* : 0.01*ms*) for the critically damped response.

- A higher value of Pn101 reduces the integral gain, giving an over-damped response. A lower value of Pn101 increases the integral gain, giving to an under-damped response.
- The high frequency sensitivity of the speed loop is increased as the time constant is decreased.
- 3. Other speed loop tuning parameters:
  - Pn10B.0, Pn10C-F (Mode Switch) deactivates Pn101 during acceleration
  - Pn10B.1 (IP control) –Allows higher gains without overshoot
  - Pn110.1, Pn111 (Speed Feedback Compensation)
  - Pn305, 306 (Soft start acceleration and deceleration)
  - Pn307 (Speed reference filter)
  - Pn308 (Speed feedback filter)



### III. The Position Loop

The Position loop is tuned when the trace of

- Position Settling Time is as low as possible
- REFERENCE PULSE SPEED and SPEED REFERENCE are as close as possible.
- POSITION ERROR is as low as possible
- TORQUE REFERENCE peak-to-peak ripple is less than 5%.
- 1. Set Pn102 = Pn100
  - The position loop frequency response is  $f_P = \frac{Pn102}{2\pi}$
  - $f_P$  must NEVER be set higher than the speed loop frequency response,  $K_V$ , or the servo system will become unstable due to improper bandwidth relationships.
- 2. Add Feed-forward gain (Pn109, Pn10A) to dramatically reduce position error and position settling time.
- 3. Other Position Loop tuning parameters
  - Pn207.1, Pn300 (speed feed forward through the V-REF input)
  - Pn207.0, Pn204, Pn208 (accel or average movement filter)
  - Pn107, 108 (Position bias gain)