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Lecture 2: Control System Evaluation and  
Analog and Digital Processing.

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# Outlines:

Lec. 2 Part 1: Control System Evaluation

- Control System Evaluation.
- Best Controlling of the Error.
- Stability.
- Steady-State Regulation.
- Transient Regulation.
- Evaluation Criteria and tuning.

# Control System Evaluation:

- A process-control system is used to regulate the value of some process variable.
- When such a system is in use, it is natural to ask, **How well is it working?**
- The variable used to **measure the performance** of the control system is the error  $e(t)$ :

$$e(t) = r - c(t)$$

where

$r$  : the constant setpoint or reference value

$c(t)$  : the controlled variable

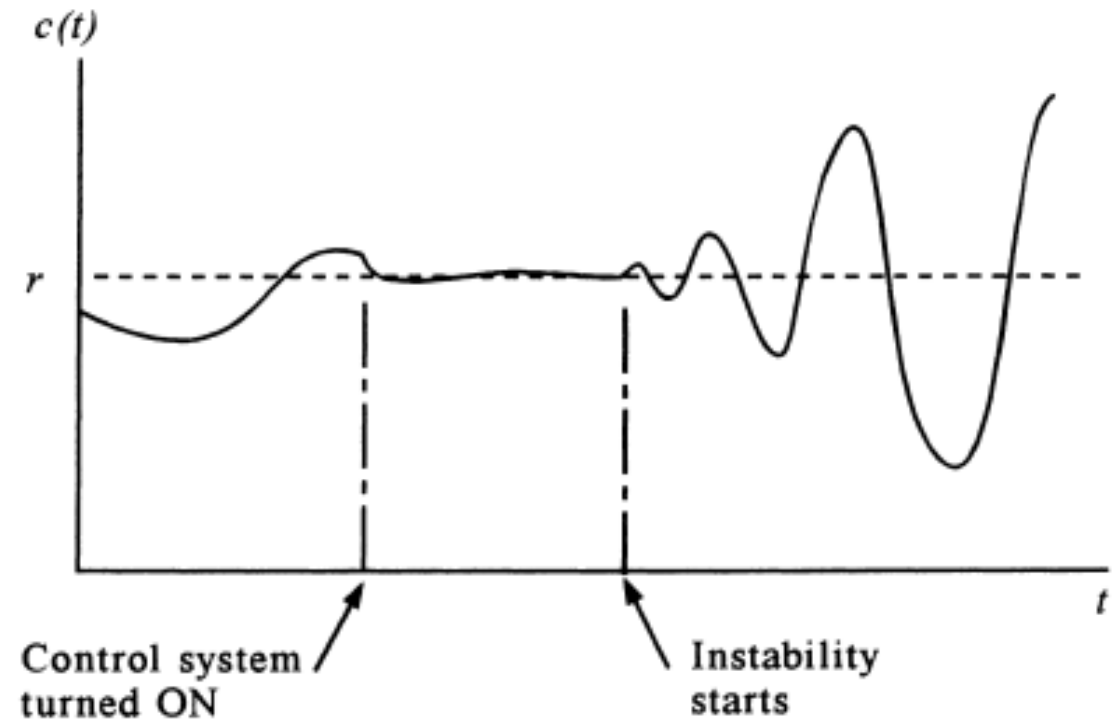
# Best Controlling of the Error:

- The objective of a control system is to make the error **exactly zero**.
- When an error occurs, the control system takes **action** to drive it to **zero**.
- This objective can **never be perfectly** achieved.
  
- The question of evaluation becomes one of:
  - 1) **how large the error is?**
  - 2) **how it varies in time?**
- The requirements for higher performance control system:
  - 1) **Stability**
  - 2) **Steady state regulation**
  - 3) **Transient regulation**

# Stability:

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- The purpose of the control system is to **regulate** the value of some variable.
- This requires that **action be taken** on the process itself in response to a measurement of the variable.
- If this **is not done correctly**, the control system can cause **the process to become unstable**.



# Steady-State Regulation:

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- The objective of the best possible steady-state regulation simply means that the **steady state error should be a minimum**.
- Generally, when a control system is specified, there will be **some allowable deviation  $\pm\Delta c$**  about the setpoint.
- This means that variations of the variable within this band are **expected and acceptable**.

## Example

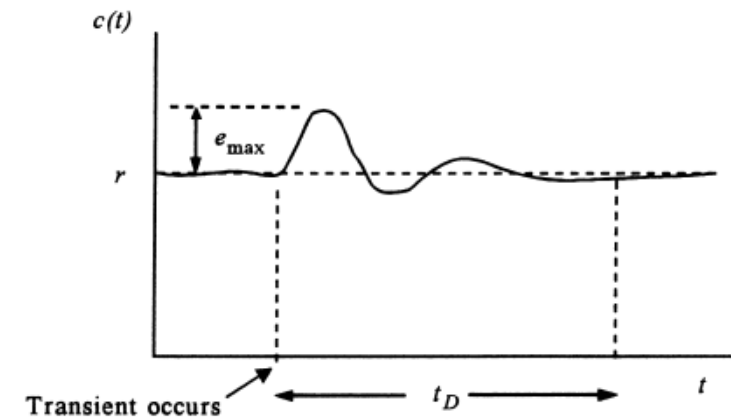
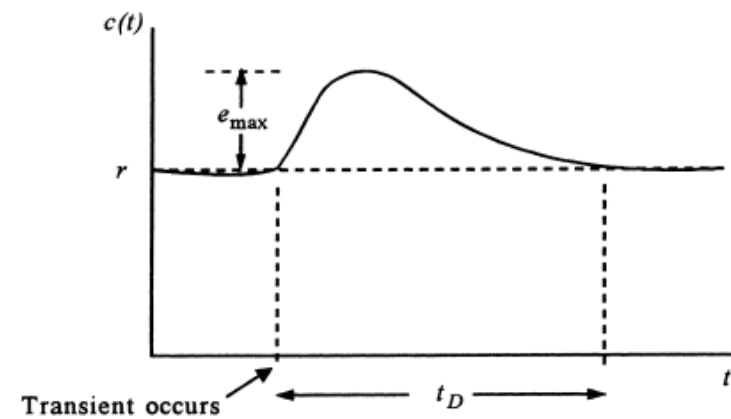
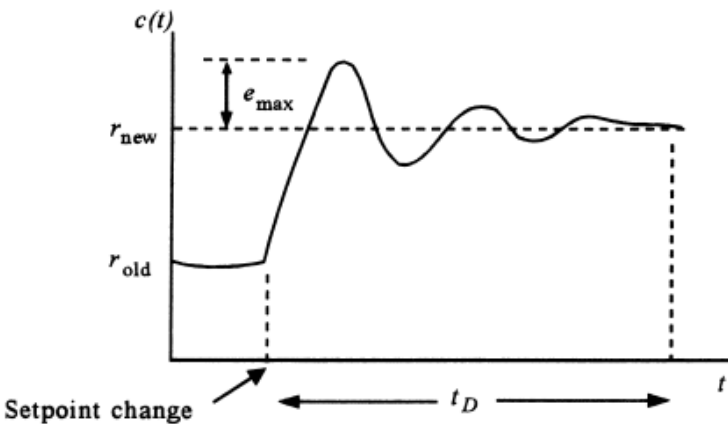
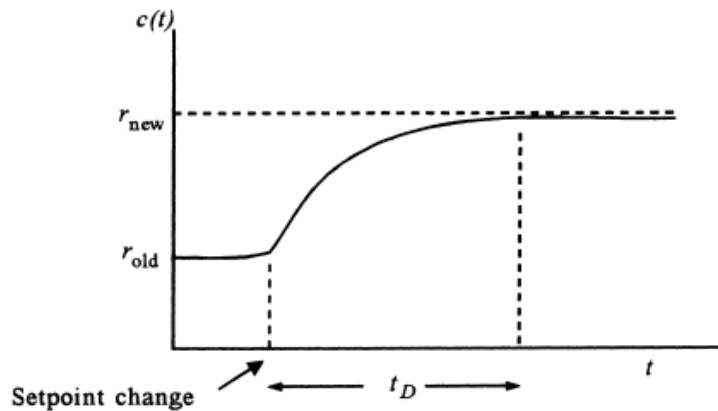
A process-control technologist might be asked to design and implement a control system to regulate temperature at 150 c within  $\pm 2$  c. This means the setpoint is to be 150 c, but the temperature may be allowed to vary within the range of 148 to 152 c.

# Transient Regulation:

➤ The controlled variable may be driven to change either by:

A change of setpoint

A sudden change of some other process variable



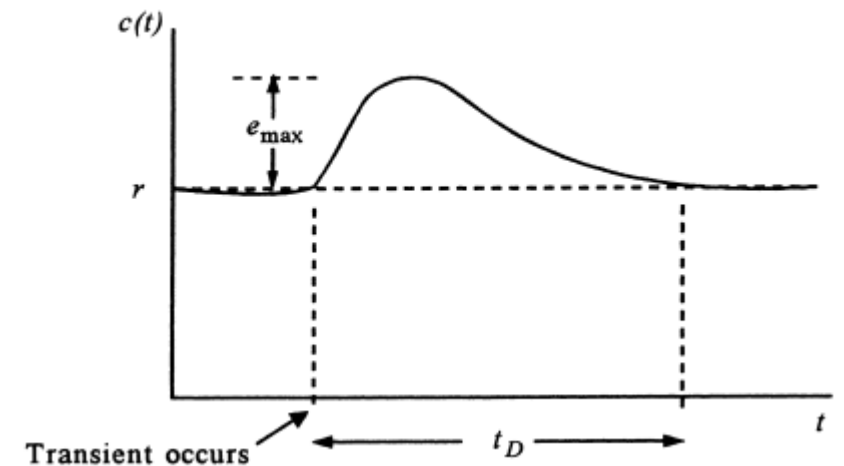
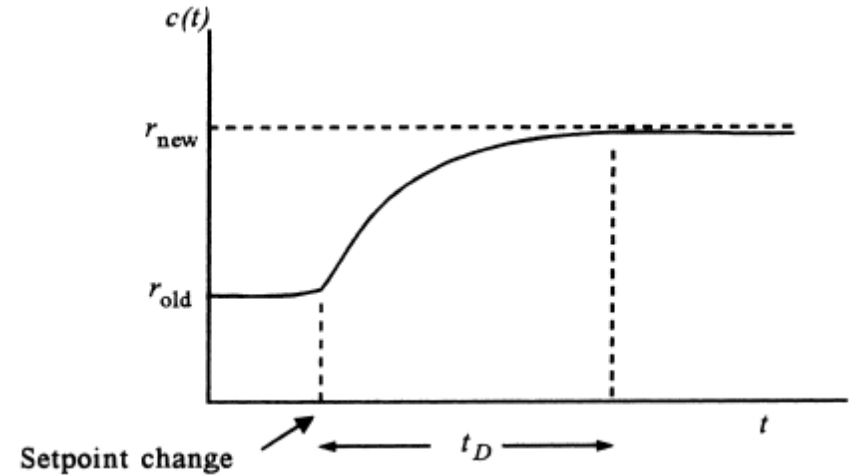
# Evaluation Criteria:

- The question of how well the control system is working is thus answered by:
  - 1) ensuring stability
  - 2) evaluating steady-state response
  - 3) evaluating the response
    - ❖ Damped Response
    - ❖ Cyclic Response



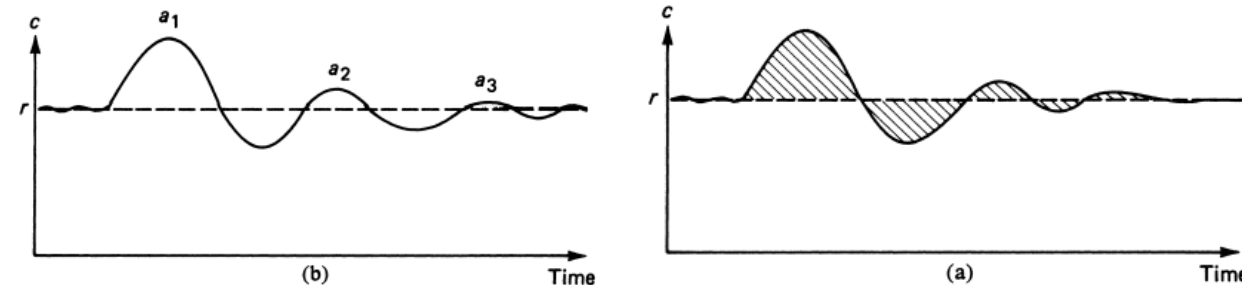
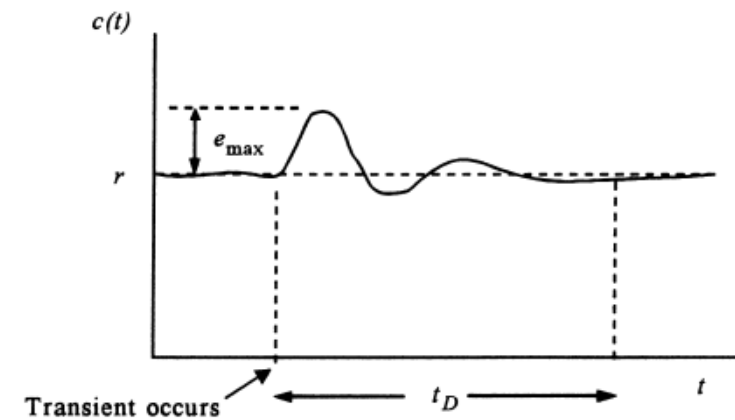
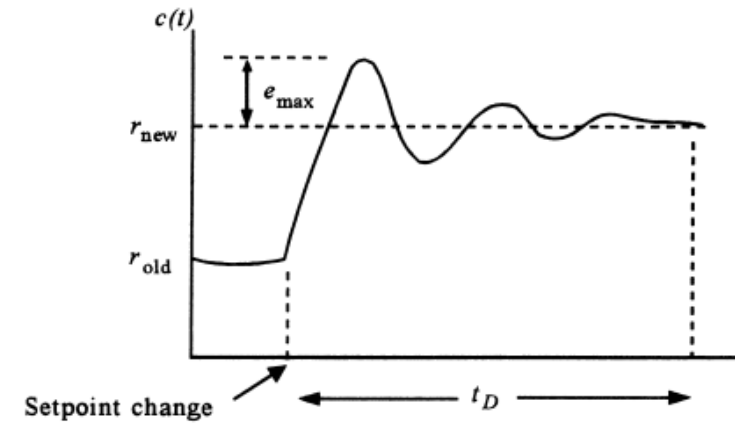
# Damped Response:

- When the error is of only one polarity.
- The response quality measurement depends on the response shape:
  - ❖ In the case of **setpoint change**, it is calculated by the duration time  $t_D$  which is the time taken for the controlled variable to **go from 10% of the change to 90% of the change** following a setpoint change
  - ❖ In the case of a **transient**, it is calculated by the duration time  $t_D$  which is the time **from the start of the disturbance until the controlled variable is again within 4% of the reference**, and the maximum error  $e_{\max}$  for a given input.



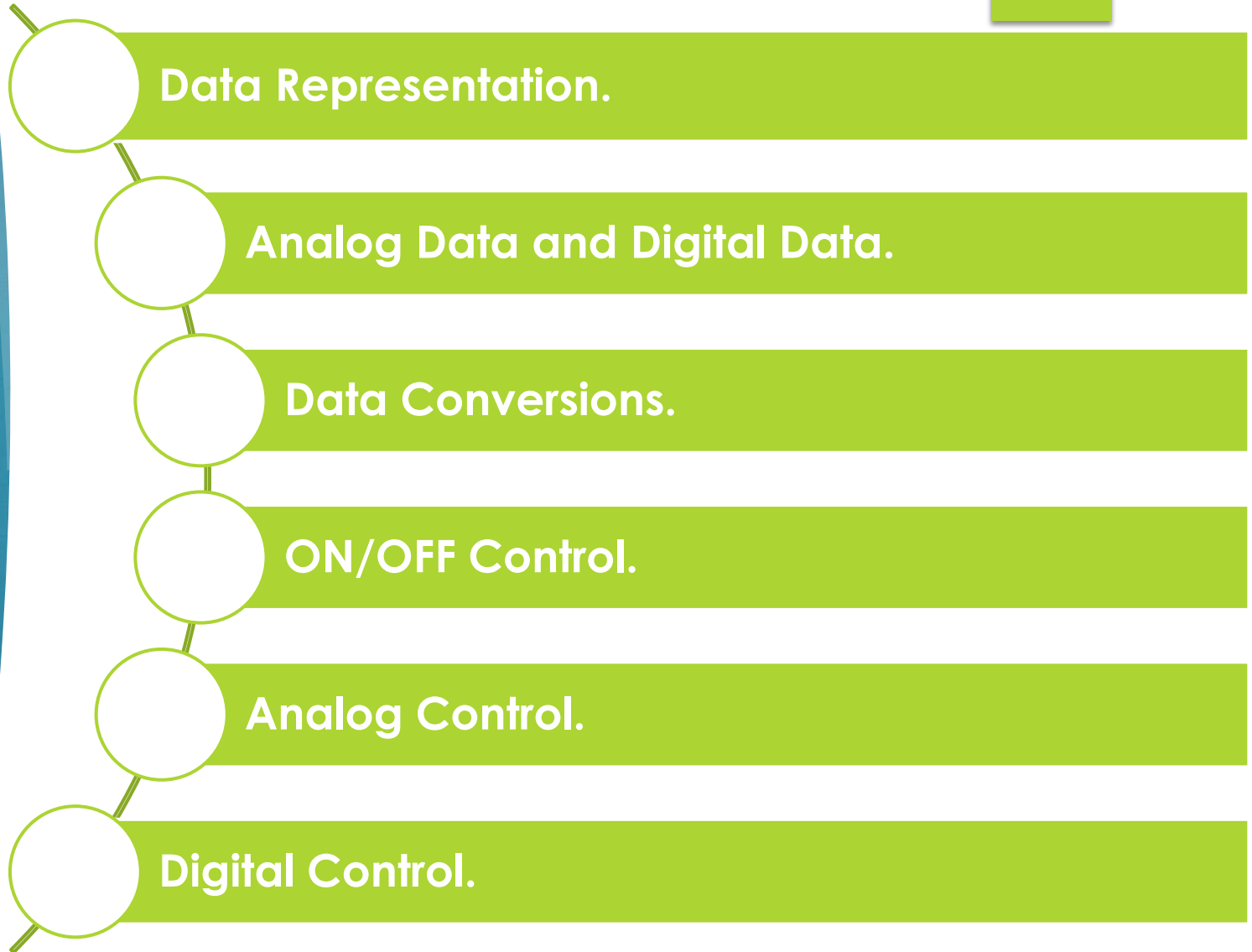
# Cyclic Response:

- When the controlled variable oscillates about the setpoint.
- The nature of the response is modified by **tuning** (adjusting the control loop parameters)
- Two common types tuning used:
  - ❖ **Minimum area:** the tuning is adjusted until the **net area under the error-time curve is a minimum.**
  - ❖ **Quarter-amplitude:** specifies that the **amplitude** of each peak of the cyclic response be a **quarter** of the preceding peak.



# Outlines:

Lec. 2 Part 2: Analog and Digital Processing

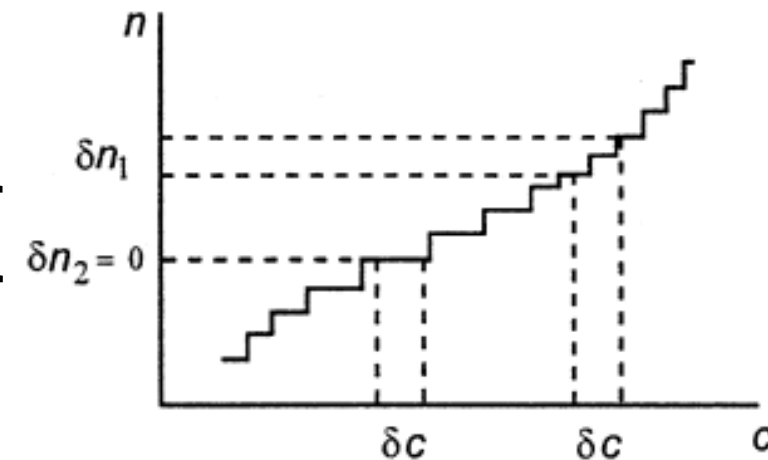
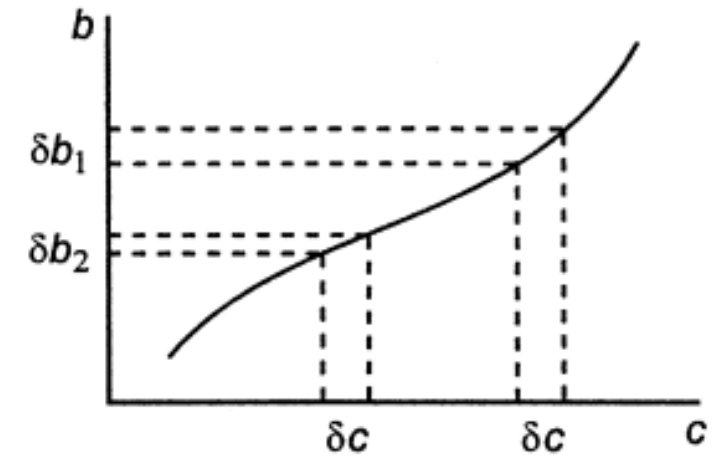


- The representation of data refers to how the **magnitude of some physical variable is represented** in the control loop.
- For example, if a sensor outputs a voltage whose magnitude varies with temperature, then the **voltage represents the temperature**.
- **Analog** and **digital** systems represent data in very different fashions.

# Analog Data and Digital Data:

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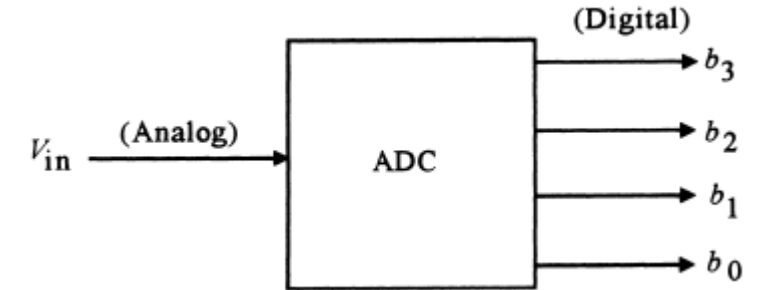
- An analog representation of data means that there is a **smooth and continuous variation** between a representation of a variable value and the value itself.
- The relationship, in the figure, is called **nonlinear** because the same  $\delta c$  does not result in the same  $\delta b$ .
- Digital data means that numbers are represented in terms of **binary digits**, also called bits (1 and 0).
- When data are represented digitally, some range of analog numbers is encoded by **a fixed number** of binary digits (resolution). (a loss of information)



# Data Conversions:

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➤ **Analog-to-Digital Converters (ADCs)** are employed to convert analog voltages into a digital representation.

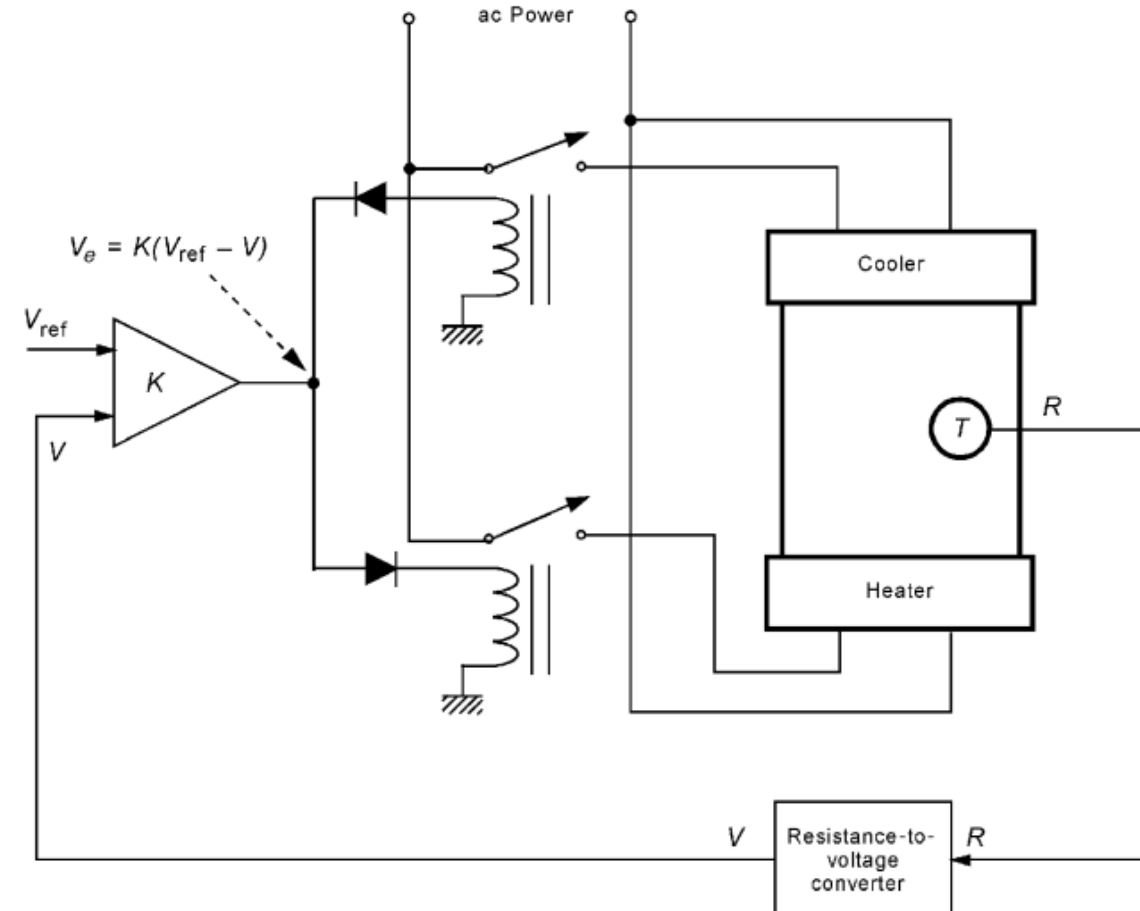


➤ In a control system, the **sensor** often produces an analog output such as a voltage. Then an ADC is used to convert that voltage into a digital representation for input to the **computer**.

➤ **Digital-to-Analog Converters (DACs)** convert a digital signal into an analog voltage. These devices are used to convert the **control output** of the computer into a form suitable for the **final control element**.

# ON/OFF Control:

- It is called ON/OFF control because the **final control element has only two states**, on and off. Thus, the controller output need have only these two states as well.
- It can be said that the **controller output is a digital representation** of a single binary digit, 0 or 1.



# ON/OFF Control:

## ➤ Example

- 11 For the process-control system in Figure 13, suppose that the relays close at  $|1.5|$  V and open at  $|1.1|$  V. This means that as the voltage on the relay reaches  $\pm 1.5$  V, it closes, and does not open again until the voltage drops to 1.1 V (i.e., there is a deadband). The amplifier has a gain of 10, the reference is 3 V, and the sensor outputs  $150 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate the temperatures at which the heater turns on and off and at which the cooler turns on and off.

## ➤ Solu

relay close  $V_{\text{close}} = |1.5| \text{ V}$

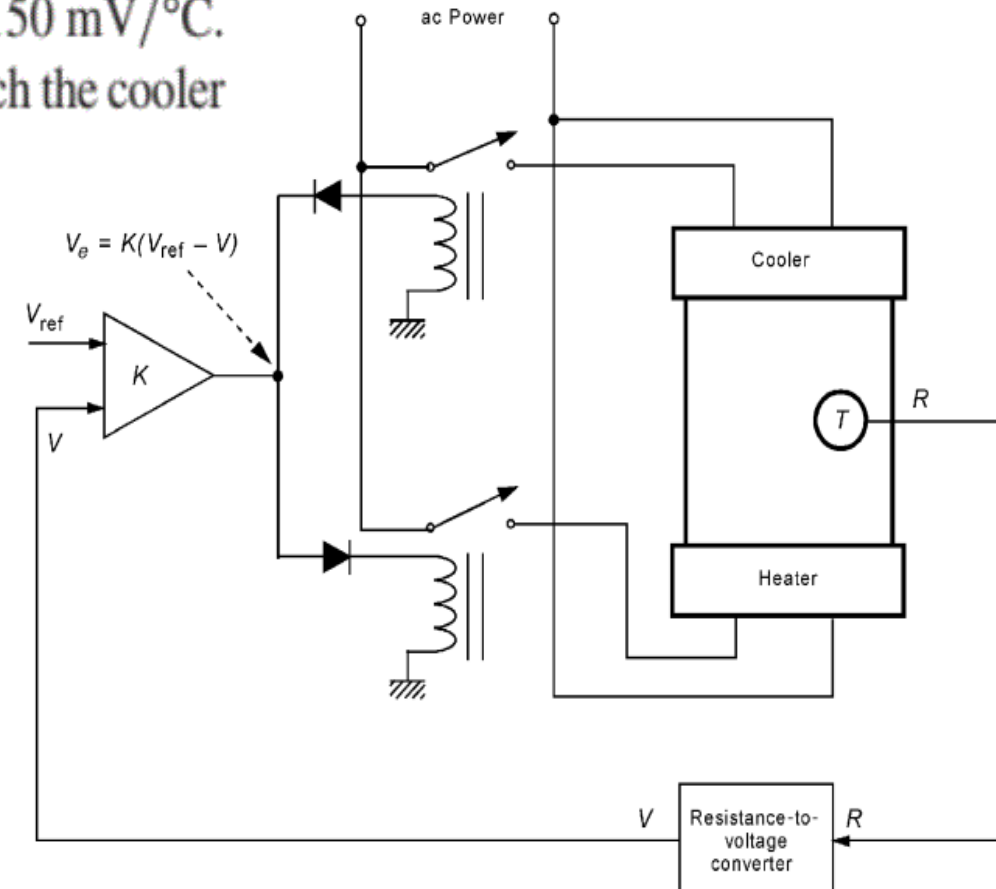
relay open  $V_{\text{open}} = |1.1| \text{ V}$

amplifier gain =  $K = 10$ ,  $V_{\text{ref}} = 3 \text{ V}$ , sensor o/p =  $150 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$

Calculate Temp of heater on, off & Cooler on, off.

$$T_{\text{ref}} = \frac{V_{\text{ref}}}{\text{sensor o/p}} = \frac{3 \text{ V}}{150 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}} = 20^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\therefore V_e = K(V_{\text{ref}} - V)$$





# ON/OFF Control:

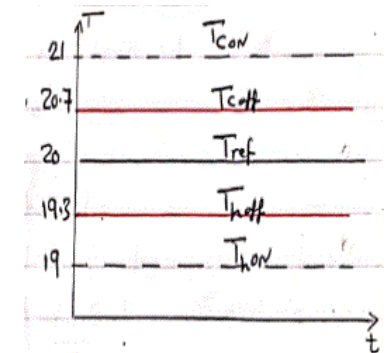
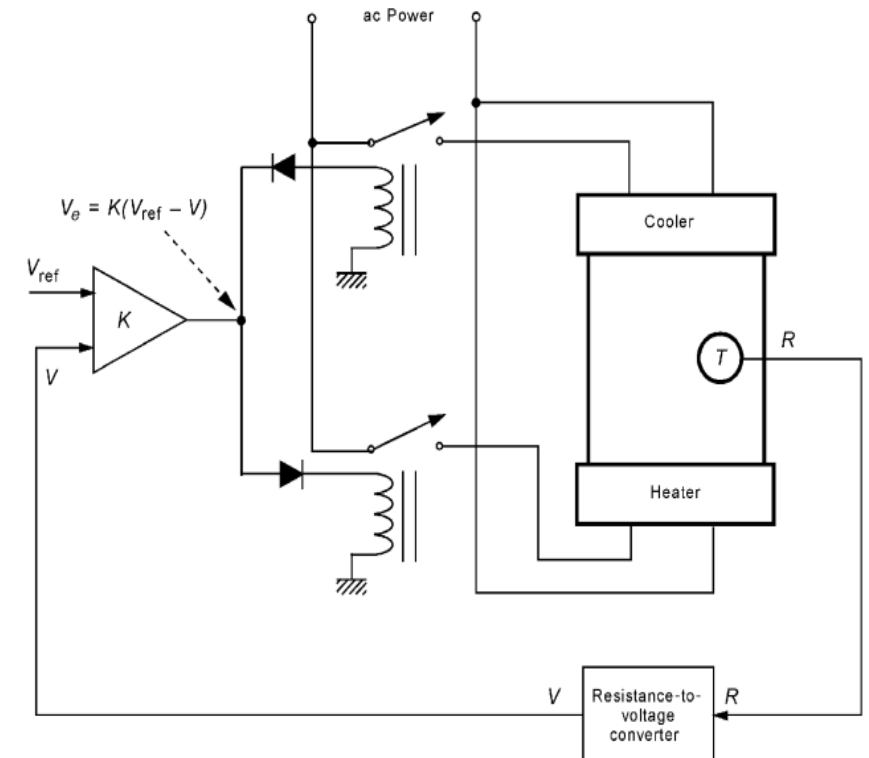
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(I) heater on:  $V_e = +1.5 = 10(3 - V)$   
 $\Rightarrow V = 2.85 \text{ V}$   
 $\therefore T_{\text{heater on}} = \frac{2.85}{150 \times 10^{-3}} = \boxed{19^\circ \text{C}}$

(II) heater off:  $V_e = +1.5 = 10(3 - V)$   
 $\Rightarrow V = 2.89 \text{ V}$   
 $\therefore T_{\text{heater off}} = \frac{2.89}{150 \times 10^{-3}} = \boxed{19.3^\circ \text{C}}$

Cooler on:  $V_e = -1.5 = 10(3 - V)$   
 $V = 3.15 \text{ V}$   
 $T_{\text{cooler on}} = \frac{3.15}{150 \times 10^{-3}} = \boxed{21^\circ \text{C}}$

Cooler off:  $V_e = -1.1 = 10(3 - V)$   
 $V = 3.11 \text{ V}$   
 $T_{\text{cooler off}} = \frac{3.11}{150 \times 10^{-3}} = \boxed{20.7^\circ \text{C}}$



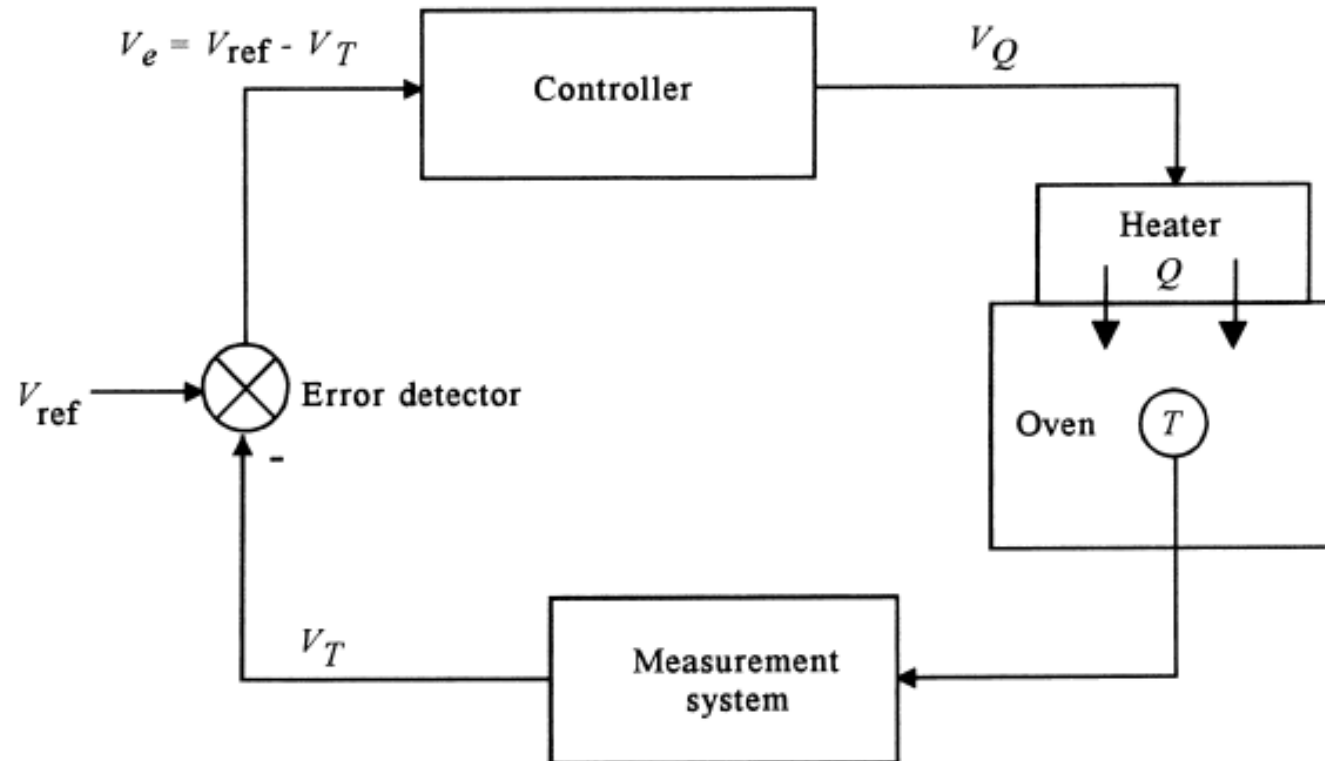
❖ **Deadband:** is a range, of temperature in this case, wherein **no action will occur**.

❖ **Hysteresis:** means that the behavior of the system is **different at the same value** of temperature, depending on whether the temperature is **increasing** or **decreasing**.

# Analog Control:

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- True analog control exists when **all variables in the system are analog representations** of another variable.

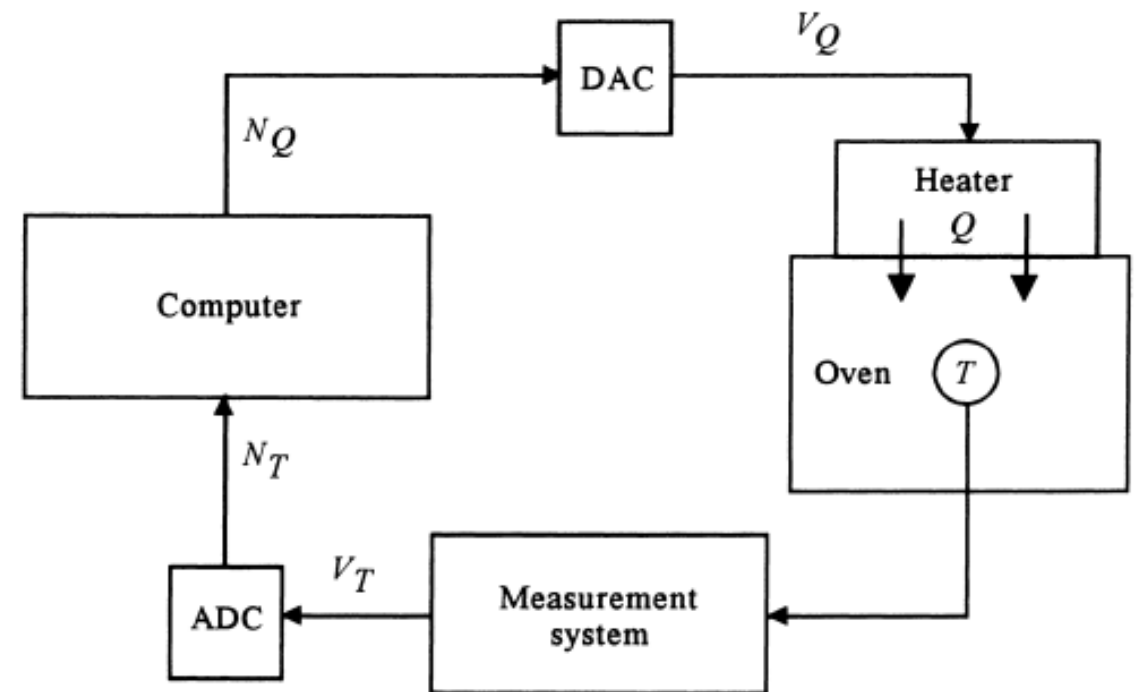
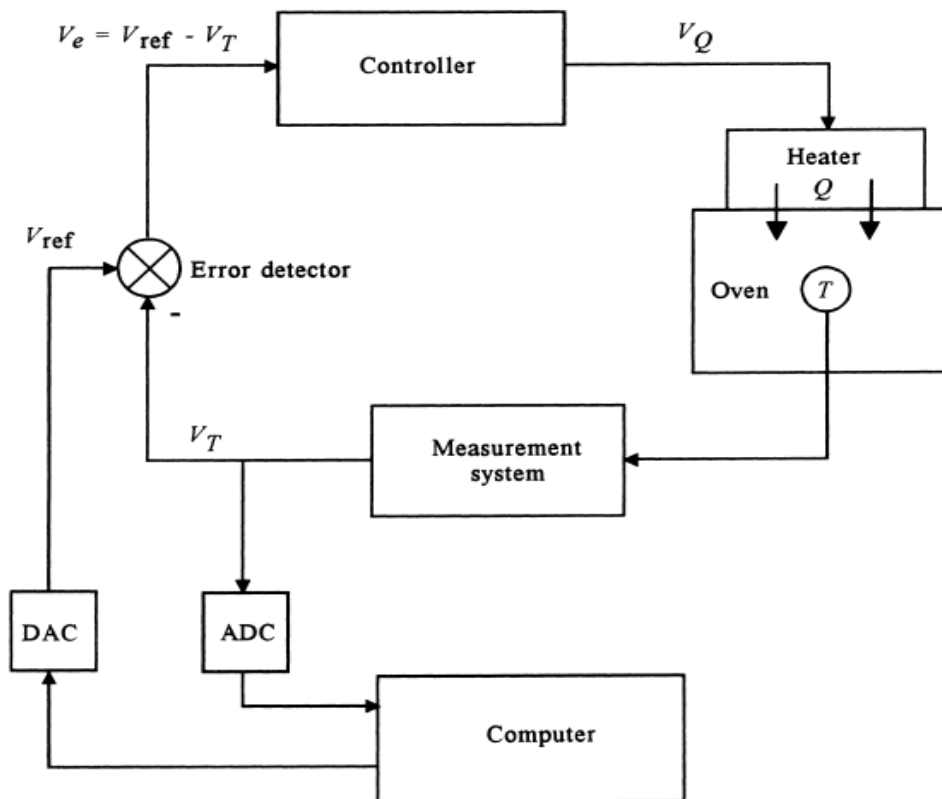


# Digital Control:

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➤ There are two approaches to using computers for control.

- 1) Supervisory Control
- 2) Direct Digital Control (DDC)





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