## Phase 1 Instruments - Controller Exercise 3. Loop Tuning

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Aim - The aim of this exercise is to show how to 'tune' a control loop to obtain the desired response to a process change.

## Read <u>all</u> instructions before starting exercise!

- 1. Connect and switch on 20 psi air supply to unit.
- **2.** Switch on mains supply and when "WAIT" disappears on bottom left-hand display, press the ACK button.
- **3.** Press X three times until STI 1 is displayed and using the right-hand knob adjust to 10.00
- **4.** Press "STORE"
- **5.** Press X twice until SPG1 is displayed.
- **6.** Using the right-hand knob alter the setting on the top display to read 0.1 and then press the "STORE" button.
- 7. Press "A/M" button so that the red LED adjacent to M is lit. Adjust knob until right-hand bar is steady at approx 30. Press "A/M" again.
- **8.** Ensure the "S" LED is lit (press "D" if not) and make a rapid, about 20% adjustment to the Set point (left-hand vertical bar)
- **9.** Record and describe the response action of the Measured Value or right-hand vertical bar (e.g. fluctuations/slow response, etc). Note the deviation from the set point and the speed of response.
- 10. Repeat steps 5 8 recording the responses in increments of 0.1 until 1.0 is achieved. Step 7 only needs to be performed if process reading is off scale.
- **11.** Make a note at which setting produces a steady fluctuating response. Multiply this figure by 0.42 and then enter the result into SPG1 and also the table on the next page.

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- **12.** Make a set-point change again and note the response action.
- **13.** Set STI 1 to 0.1 What effect does this have?

X refers to the button that is marked TUNE 1  $\leftarrow$ 

## **FINDINGS**

| Gain        | Response (Description) - slow/fast, whether there is any difference offset between setpoint and measured value |
|-------------|--|
| 0.1         |  |
| 0.2         |  |
| 0.3         |  |
| 0.4         |  |
| 0.5         |  |
| 0.6         |  |
| 0.7         |  |
| 0.8         |  |
| Gain set to |  |
|             |  |
| STI 1       |  |
| set to 0.1  |  |