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Encoders for Simultaneous Sensing of Position and Speed - a Bottleneck in Electrical Drives with Digital Control

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Speed and position encoders are essential components in electrical drives. High resolution encoders are necessary to obtain acceptable speed control behaviour. Speed and position sensing in servo drives is still not completely understood today. For example, the notions of accuracy and resolution are still often simultaneously, despite them describing different characteristics. The lecture presents general aspects of speed and motion sensing as well as different encoder technologies available today and their characteristics, particularly with respect to digitally controlled servo drives. It contributes to better understanding of speed and position encoders, which still are the technical bottle neck for further improvements in digital drive control.

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