

# PID Controller Gains Tuning Using Metaheuristic Optimization Methods: A survey

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**Abstract** - In nowadays industry, most processes are controlled and automated. Interestingly, PID controllers are major contributors to the control process since they were invented and become quite practical. PID controllers are vital component in the industry and enhancing the component will show an echo effect in today's technology. Their drawbacks are tuning them for an application, and this provides inspiration to develop advanced optimization methods in tuning PID controllers. This survey aims to review metaheuristic optimization methods of PID controller tuning that were published between 2010 and 2018. The paper was constructed based on 22 research papers and found that 8 metaheuristics optimization methods were used with PID tuning on 5 industrial applications. The papers also extensively provided answers to 3 research questions and assessing the quality of the papers based on 6 parameters.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

It is quite vital to control any application process, as it will reduce the consumption of resources and time, as well as avoiding unnecessary behavior from process. Therefore, the need to control a process gave inspiration to create and develop new tools capable of providing precise control. Additionally, the tools used to control have paved the way for other technologies to drastically improve. Now it is possible to manipulate the very large and quite small (Nanotechnology), bending and mending to produce structures of various sizes to serve an important purpose. Proportional, Integral and Derivative (PID) controller is a control tool heavily relied on in the industry of process control applications because of their practicality. These controllers are simple to design, implement and readjust, thus making them versatile. Once properly tuned for an application, a PID controller reduces errors, through controlling a process instability and improving response time showing great promise. Yet the process of tuning the PID controller could prove troublesome. Furthermore, even after tuning and providing a satisfactory behavior, that tuning setting might not be the optimal performance the controller could provide. In other words, the controller could be tuned even further [1], [2]. There are plenty of research studies conducted on PID

tuning such as developing, improving, comparing and reviewing methods of tuning. Even with the great amount of research about PID tuning using metaheuristics optimization methods, there does not exist a proper fully comprehensive literature review [3], [4]. The inspiration of this survey is derived from the extended reach of our knowledge that, almost no review concentrates on metaheuristics optimization methods and systematically review by clearly identifying research questions on the topic.

This paper presents and illustrates the research done from 1<sup>st</sup> of Jan 2010 till 31<sup>st</sup> of Dec 2018. The paper objective is to gather, filter and assess the available papers in that time period. Additionally, the paper raises three research questions, and provides answers acquired from the statistical study performed on the gathered papers. Finally, the paper is split into six sections. Section 2 identifies and provides a quick discussion over some related works. Section 3 provides a generalized background on the topic. Section 4 elaborates on the methodology used to provide the systematic literature review. Section 5 displays the results and finding. Section 6 concludes the paper and discusses future works.

## 2. RELATED WORK

Several reviews have been presented in the topic of proportional, integral and derivative (PID) controller gain tuning methods. Bansal et al. [3] reviewed modern and classical methods for PID controller gain tuning and have classified them into two categories, the classical methods and optimization methods. Additionally, the review provided an analytical comparison between the various techniques such as the use of Ziegler Nichols method, Genetic Algorithm, Ant Colony Optimization, Artificial Neural Networks and others. Finally, the paper concludes that a detailed analytical study of all the PID tuning methods is yet to be performed.

Ghosal et al. [4] performed a review study on PID controller gains tuning that provide an efficient and promising performance using various swarm optimization methods. The paper presented an introductory literature review that utilize swarm intelligence methods like Bacterial Foraging Optimization (BFO), Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO), and Ant Colony Optimization (ACO). Additionally, demonstrated a comparative study that details the pros and contras of each optimization method. Finally, the paper concluded that the swarm optimization methods could be

modified slightly for the application of PID controller gain tuning, in order to provide a better tuning in reduced time frame.

Lastly, Singh et al. [5] illustrated a review on the tuning of PID controller gain used in the application of controlling a DC motor speed using soft computing methods. The soft computing methods used in this paper are Genetic Algorithm, Particle Swarm Optimization and Fuzzy Logic Algorithm.

In this paper a systematic literature review will be conducted on the topic of PID controller gain tuning. Some research questions have been raised and answered in the hopes that it might prove helpful as reference to any future technical research to be conducted. The paper focuses on the use of optimization methods used in the tuning of PID controller gains.

### 3. BACKGROUND

Industrial processes heavily rely on the control of any system behavior, and Proportional-Integral-derivative PID controllers are mostly used to control the response of plant. PID controllers are cost-friendly and are quite simple to design and implement to control and improve a plant response to meet the needs of the process efficiently. PID controller's capacity to control depends on gains to each part of the system, and if these gains are properly tuned, may provide the change needed in the plant. The response of the plant upon operation may overwork (overshoot) or can be very unstable in reaching the desired performance. If a PID controller is finely tuned it will eliminate any undesired behavior the system might undergo, and therefore without tuning the gains the PID controller is quite useless [1], [2], [6]. It is clear that PID controllers must be tuned in order for PID to function as needed but the process of tuning isn't that obvious and requires different approaches and techniques to get the desired behavior out of the system. If a plant is modeled mathematically it is possible to tune the PID controller using Mathematical approach and derive the values that way. The issue is that not only is mathematics hard and requires solving problem in the frequency domain through Laplace transformations but also it might not provide the optimum that could be achieved. Another problem is that a single PID controller might show great performance with a certain system but once applied on all other systems will generate undesired errors, thus PID controllers need to be tuned for each system separately [1], [2], [6]. The proportional, integral and derivative controllers work together to ensure the effective, smooth and stable response from the plant. The proportional controller ensures correcting present errors proportionally, meaning if the present error is larger the output signal from the controller is large and vice versa. The process of the proportional controller, if alone might drive the

$$c(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(t) dt + K_d \frac{d}{dt} e(t)$$

system unstable and always in the state of correcting the error. The integral controller sums up past errors to track the reference point and smoothly bring back the system to the reference point. The derivative controller responds largely to

any big changes in the error signal, thus stabilizing huge proportional changes to avoid the shakiness and instability of the system behavior. Together these controllers work efficiently if their gains are finely tuned [1], [2], [6]. It is now obvious the tuning a PID controller isn't an easy task, but if to approach the problem from another perspective it might prove easier to tune. It is wise to model the system initially in the frequency domain, therefore the equation of the PID controller transforms using Laplace transformation and is shown below [1], [2], [6].

$$C(s) = K_p + \frac{K_i}{s} + k_d s$$

The transfer function of the plant in the frequency s-domain also effects the tuning of gains of the PID controller. There are multiple techniques that tune PID controllers and are mainly categorized as

1. The Classical Methods
2. The Optimization Methods

#### 3.1. CLASSICAL METHODS

Optimization methods have and are still being researched under different optimization algorithms [30]. The goal is to determine which algorithm performs the tuning process faster and with a better system response. Some of these methods are using Genetic Algorithm, Particle Swarm Optimization and another metaheuristic algorithm [3], [4], [5].

These methods are mainly formulated to minimize an error objective function and there are four types of objective functions which are:

- Integral Absolute Error

$$IAE = \int_0^{\tau} |e(t)| \quad (3)$$

- Integral Square Error

$$ISE = \int_0^{\tau} |e(t)|^2 \quad (4)$$

- Integral Time Absolute Error

$$ITAE = \int_0^{\tau} t|e(t)| \quad (5)$$

- Integral Time Square Error

$$ITSE = \int_0^{\tau} t|e(t)|^2 \quad (6)$$

These optimization algorithms are metaheuristic in nature, and in other words run on higher-level procedures to generate and update their heuristics in hopes of improving the auto-tuning of PID gains. All of them generally deal with a solution space of all possible values of the PID controller gains  $K_p$ ,  $K_i$  and  $K_d$ . In this case, the solution space is a three variable (3-dimensional) since there are three gains. The algorithms run by generating random initial points and updating them in hope of reaching the optimal values of three gains that produce the least error index.

In summary, the error index objective function depends on three dependences which are:

1. The system/plant and its behavior due to an input
2. The controller behavior and the tuned gains values
3. The input/desired response to the system

#### 4. METHODOLOGY

The survey proposed is based on by Kitchenham and Charters' Systematic Literature Review (SLR) [7] and following the structure of [31]. This methodology consists of distinct steps and procedures which are planning phase, conducting phase, and reporting phase. Each of these phases has many stages. The first phase is divided into six stages, identifying the research questions, specifying the strategy of the research, identifying a proper selection of the study, specifying the rules for quality selection, designing the approach (strategy) for data extraction, and synthesizing the research's extracted data. The research questions were mainly based on the objectives of the review paper. In next stage, strategy was specified for retrieving the research papers related to the objective mentioned in first stage. Moreover, to get a precise search for research papers, the search terms and the article selection criteria were identified properly in this stage. Third stage was representing the proper study selection criteria which includes the rules we followed for the inclusion and exclusion of papers. The quality questions which were used for filtering the research papers provided in the fourth stage. In the fifth stage, the strategy for data extraction was described which was used to find proper answers for the raised research questions. The last stage was synthesizing the data extracted from the research papers to get the results. The review protocol which was followed in this review is illustrated in the following subsections.

##### 4.1. RESEARCH QUESTIONS

The aim of this review is to identify the importance and the benefits of applying different metaheuristic algorithms to optimize the tuning of the proportional–integral–derivative controller (PID controller), and to find the most efficient algorithm. Based on that, we identify the following research questions:

- RQ1: What are the optimization techniques used in tuning PID gains?

The purpose of this question is to specify the different types of optimization techniques used in gain tuning of PID controller.

- RQ2: What are the domains (plants) which used the optimization techniques in PID tuning?

The aim of RQ2 is to identify the different plants which optimized using optimization techniques.

- RQ3: what is the most effective optimization algorithm used in tuning PID among the selected papers? why?

This question will provide us with the most efficient algorithm compared to other algorithms in gain tuning of the PID controller from our selected papers with reasonable reasons.

##### 4.2. SEARCH STRATEGY

The search strategy which we implemented in this review is explained in detail as the following:

###### 4.2.1. SEARCH TERMS

The procedure that we followed to conduct the search terms is as the following [7]:

1. The search terms were identified based on the research questions.
2. we specified new search term using the synonyms and the alternative spellings.
3. For the aim of limiting the results of the search, we used the Boolean operators (ANDs and ORs).

we used the double quotation (“ ”) for the exact phrases.

The search terms that we used in exploring and searching on the related publications are mentioned below:

- “PID” AND “tuning” AND “optimization”.
- “PID tuning” AND “optimization”.
- “PID” AND “tuning” AND “optimization” AND “techniques” OR “technique”.
- “PID controller” AND “optimization”.
- “PID controllers” AND “optimization”.
- “PID” AND “Gain” AND “optimization”.
- “PID” AND “tuning” AND “Gain” AND “optimization”.

###### 4.2.2. SURVEY RESOURCES

We used the following online resources and digital libraries in searching for the required research papers:

- Google Scholar
- Science Direct
- IEEE Explorer
- Springer
- ACM Digital Library

###### 4.2.3. SEARCH PHASES

The search terms previously specified were used to search for the research papers that are related to the topic from the specified digital libraries. Furthermore, going through the references of our selected papers allowed us to find the papers that answered the raised research questions. In next section, the inclusion and exclusion criteria are discussed in detail which were used to filter our papers. After applying the criteria of inclusion and exclusion, 22 articles were selected for the review paper.

##### 4.3. STUDY SELECTION

From the first step of the search process, we found 200 papers originally. The process of selecting the relevant research papers were done individually. After that, we scheduled some

meetings to make sure that we chose the most pertinent papers. The steps (shown in Fig.3) mentioned below describes the selection process followed in this review:

- 1) step 1: eliminating the identical papers from the online resources.
- 2) step 2: eliminating the review papers from the chosen papers as those papers were used in related work section to compare between this papers and other review papers.
- 3) step 3: applying the criteria of inclusion and exclusion on the selected papers.
- 4) step 4: applying the quality assessment rules which helps to find the most suitable answers for question raised.

The criteria of inclusion and exclusion is presented below:  
 inclusion criteria:

- Include papers that mention the PID gain tuning.
- Include journal and conference papers only.
- Include papers which present optimization methods of PID gain tuning.
- Include papers that use metaheuristic methods for optimization.
- Include papers which compare between different metaheuristic methods.
- Include papers which compare between the proposed evolutionary method(s) and the conventional method(s).
- Include papers were published between 2010-2018.

Exclusion criteria:

- Exclude papers that mention PID but not related to the gain tuning.
- Exclude papers that use non-metaheuristic methods.
- Exclude papers that didn't use any optimization algorithm.

Finally, 22 papers were used in this review after applying the filtration procedures. The list of the selected papers is in Table 1 of the Appendix A.

#### 4.4. QUALITY ASSESMENT RULES (QARs)

The final step to identify the selected papers is applying the quality assessment rules which help in evaluating the research papers and determining the suitability and strength of the papers according to our topic. we identify six QARs where each one has a value of 1 out 6. The QAR score=1 if its fully answered, 0.75 if its above average, 0.5 if its average, 0.25 if its below average, and 0 if it's not answered. The gross score of each paper is the summation of the QARs' scores. The papers that score 3.5 or above were included; the others excluded.

- 1) QAR 1: Are the objectives of the research paper identified obviously?
- 2) QAR 2: Does the paper give enough background information about PID gain tuning?
- 3) QAR 3: Are the algorithms used clearly mentioned?

- 4) QAR 4: Is the proposed metaheuristic algorithm compared with other algorithms or with the conventional methods?
- 5) QAR 5: Are the problems that need to be optimized mentioned clearly?
- 6) QAR 6: Does the paper considered useful?

The scores of the selected papers are shown in the table 2 in the Appendix A.

#### 4.5. DATA EXTRACTION STRAREGY

In this stage, we used the selected list of papers to extract the needed information that will help us in finding answers for the raised research questions. Thus, we tabulate the data needed in an extraction table (Table 1) [7]. Each one of us has extracted the information from 11 papers, where the total number of the selected papers was 22 papers. Then, meetings were conducted to discuss the results we got.

TABLE 1 EXTRACTION DATA
Paper ID
Paper title
Publication year
Publication type
Domain
RQ1
RQ2
RQ3
RQ4

#### 4.6. SYNTHESIS OF EXTRACTION DATA

The synthesis procedure in this review is as the following:  
 In RQ1 and RQ2, we tabulated the extracted information using the method of narrative synthesis where we used the pie chart to demonstrate the percentages needed to answer those research questions. While, for RQ3 a quantitative procedure was used to find the best algorithm used for PID gain tuning.

#### 5. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this stage, the results we got from the review will be discussed. Each one of the research questions will be

TABLE 2 THE QUALITY DISTRIBUTION		
Percentage (%)	Frequency	Range of total marks of QARs
41.7%	25	0 - 1.5
21.7 %	13	1.75 - 3.25
13.3%	8	3.5 - 4.5
23.3%	14	4.75 - 6
100%	60	The Total

answered in a separate subsection, so we will have 3 subsections in this stage in total. Those answers will be extracted from the 22 selected papers which implemented the optimization techniques in PID gain tuning. Moreover, the papers were streamed based on the quality assessment rules and the marks attained by each paper. The papers that got 3.5 marks out of 6 or above were considered.

Table 2 shows the frequency of the papers corresponding to a specified mark range. The 22 collected papers were used in this review categorized into conference papers and journals. The pie chart which represented in Figure 1 is demonstrating the percentages of papers corresponding to the type of each.

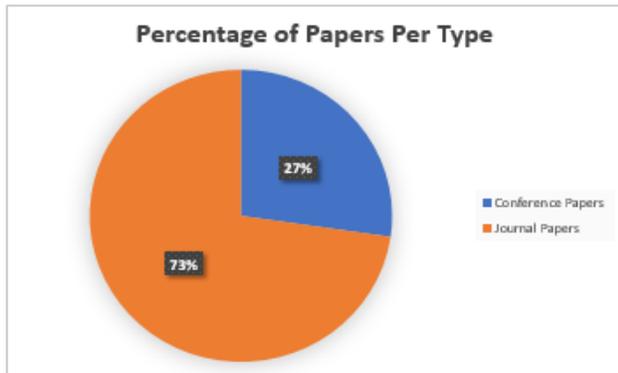


Figure 1- Pie Chart representing the percentage of each paper type.

It illustrates that the journal papers formed 73% of the total papers were used in this review. The rest 27% were identified as conference papers. Table 3 shows the distribution of conference papers which give more details about used papers. We can infer from the table 3 that there were 6 papers from six different conferences. The papers are equally distributed between EDT “*Conference on E-Health Networking Digital Ecosystems and Technologies*”, IEEE signal processing conference, MEPCON “*International Middle East Power Systems Conference*”, IEEE conference on communication, IEECON “*International Electrical Engineering Congress*”, and KES2014 “*International Conference on Knowledge-Based and Intelligent Information & Engineering Systems*”. Same as the conferences, table 4 shows the distribution of papers over the journals. Obviously, we can see that the IJCA “*International Journal of Computer Application*” were had the majority published papers with 12.5%. While each of the other papers was published in different journal with 6.25% which are IJAERT “*International Journal of Advanced Engineering Research and Technology*”, IJETAE “*International Journal of Emerging Technology and Advanced Engineering*”, IJASEIT “*International Journal on Advanced Science, Engineering and Information Technology*”, IJEEI “*International Journal on Electrical Engineering and Informatics*”, IJSRP “*International Journal of Scientific and Research Publication*”, IJARS “*International Journal of Anatomy Radiology and Surgery*”, IJSSMET “*International Journal of Service Science,*

Management, Engineering, and Technology”, IJAIA “*International Journal of Artificial Intelligence & Applications*”, INDJST “*Indian Journal of Science and Technology*”, IJTPE “*International Journal on Technical and Physical Problems of Engineering*”, CNSNS “*Communications in Nonlinear Science and Numerical Simulation*”, ICA “*International Control and Automation*”, ECM “*Energy Conversion and Management*”, and ACISC “*Applied Computational Intelligence and Soft Computing*”.

TABLE 3  
 DISTRIBUTION OF PAPERS OVER THE CONFERENCES

Conference name	No. of the paper	Freq.	Percentage (%)
EDT	A22	1	16.67%
IEEE Signal Processing	A9	1	16.67%
MEPCON	A20	1	16.67%
IEEE (International conference on communication)	A14	1	16.67%
IEECON	A8	1	16.67%
KES2014	A15	1	16.67%

TABLE 4  
 DISTRIBUTION OF PAPERS OVER THE JOURNALS

Journal name	No. of the paper	Freq.	Percentage (%)
IJAERT	A1	1	6.25%
IJCA	A2 A6	2	12.5%
IJETAE	A3	1	6.25%
IJASEIT	A4	1	6.25%
IJEEI	A7	1	6.25%
IJSRP	A11	1	6.25%
IJARS	A13	1	6.25%
IJSSMET	A17	1	6.25%
IJAIA	A18	1	6.25%
INDJST	A19	1	6.25%
IJTPE	A5	1	6.25%
CNSNS	A10	1	6.25%
ICA	A12	1	6.25%
ECM	A16	1	6.25%
ACISC	A21	1	6.25%

**5.1. RESEARCH QUESTION 1**

When we searched for the related research papers between the years 2010 and 2018, we found many meta-heuristic

algorithms that were used in the PID gain tuning. Those algorithms are:

- Genetic Algorithm (GA)
- Bacterial Foraging Optimization Algorithm (BFOA)
- Artificial Bee Cloning algorithm (ABC)
- fruit fly optimization algorithm (FOA)
- Particle Swarm Optimization algorithm (PSO)
- Ant Colony Optimization algorithm (ACO)
- Firefly Algorithm (FA)
- Evolutionary Programming (EP)

The chart in Figure 2 illustrates the percentage of each algorithm used in the selected papers. We can infer from this chart that GA, PSO, and ACO have the highest percentage among the whole algorithms with a percentage of 71%. Thus, it means that those techniques are the most applied techniques due to their high efficiency and fast performance. Then ABC algorithm comes next with 11%. While the rest has an overall percentage of 29%.

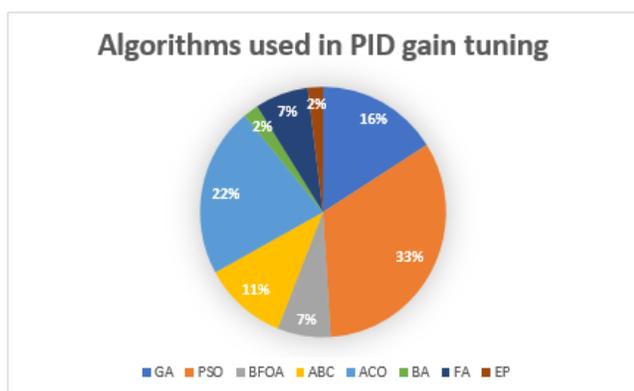


Figure 2- percentages of algorithms used in PID gain tuning

### 5.2. RESEARCH QUESTION 2

There are many domains that applied the optimization techniques in PID gain tuning. Five general domains were identified listed as follows:

- Mechanical Engineering
- Solar Energy
- Power System
- Magnetisms
- Industrial

As shown in the Figure 3, the most active domains used in PID tuning by optimization techniques were the power system and the mechanical engineering with a percentage of 36% and 32%, respectively. The third active domain was the industrial with a percentage of 24%. While the fourth and fifth were the magnetisms and the solar energy with a percentage of 8% among all domains.

For instance, in the power system domain, Power System Stabilizers (PSS) considered as an application that uses the optimization techniques in PID gain tuning. In order to damp the low frequency oscillations (LFO) in the power system,

PSS are used to produce signals of damping controls for the excitation system [26].

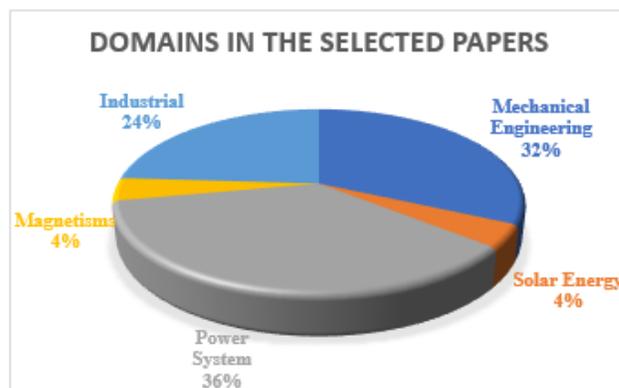


Figure 3- percentages of selected papers in each domain tuning.

### 5.3. RESEARCH QUESTION 3

Searching deeply in the selected research papers, we found that the PSO is the mostly used algorithms among all other algorithms proposed in the papers. Then ACO and the last one is GA. The Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) is the mostly used due to many reasons: It gives the best result and the most efficient solutions, where it is applying a swarm of particles. Those particles are considered as candidates' solutions for PID parameters. Furthermore, the iterations in the PSO considered as memory where the information needed saved in the iterations, and that information will be used to find the best PID parameters values. In each of the iterations, a comparison between the initial solution and its neighbor is done to find and save the result as the best result found. Therefore, the personal position and the global positions are the target of the swarms' particles. Comparing to Genetic Algorithm (GA) and Ant Colony Optimization (ACO), the GA has many steps like selection, crossover, and mutation which considered as a long process compared to PSO. Thus, leads to slacken the whole process. Also, in genetic algorithms to reach to optimum solution we need to make recombination and mutation to the individuals to make or create new offspring, on other hand, in PSO the particles only move to the optimum (best) solution. Moreover, PSO has the superior over the ACO in PID tuning since its easy for the ACO to fall wrongly to the local optimal solution due to the lack of guiding process that leads to good solutions. Although, both GA and ACO have close results as both has some common features, for example, both have low convergence to the optimum solution. All these factors made the PSO better and more accurate and precise than the GA and ACO in PID

### 6. LIMITATIONS OF THIS REVIEW

In our study, only journals and conference papers are used in PID gain tuning. After applying the filtration process, many irrelevant articles were found from the large number of papers, and those irrelevant articles consisted the majority. Thus, compared to the papers found, a small number of papers

were considered to confine the relevant papers needed in our study. Furthermore, only the optimization techniques which were suggested and used in more than one paper are considered in this review. Moreover, the quality assessment rules were applied to filter our search results which leads to synthesize those results.

## 7. CONCLUSIONS AND FUTUTE WORK

related to the PID gain tuning using the optimization techniques from 2010 and 2018. Where we answered three RQs based on the selected 22 papers. The conclusion of our review is as the following:

RQ1: The most used optimization techniques in PID controller gain tuning are PSO, GA, and ACO.

RQ2: The most active domains used in PID tuning by optimization techniques were the power system and the mechanical engineering.

RQ3: The most effective optimization technique found compared to the techniques that are mostly used in the selected papers is the PSO.

Further future work can include:

1. An extended timeline, including more papers into the review.
2. Raise more research questions and providing more information regarding the topic.
3. A look at other methods of tuning PID controllers such as:
  - a. Fuzzy Logic Techniques
  - b. Artificial Neural Networks
  - c. Ziegler-Nicholas method

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**APPENDICES**  
 Appendix A

**Table 1**

A1	Study of tuning of PID controller by using particle swarm optimization	[8]
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A7	Optimal tuning of PID controllers for hydrothermal load frequency control using ant colony optimization	[14]
A8	Particle swam optimization based optimal PID parameters for air heater temperature control system	[15]
A9	Particle swarm optimization for multivariable PID controller tuning	[16]
A10	PID controller design of nonlinear systems using an improved particle swarm optimization approach	[17]
A11	PID controller tuning in reverse osmosis system based on particle swarm optimization	[18]
A12	PID parameters optimization using genetic algorithm technique for electrohydraulic servo control system	[19]
A13	PID-controller tuning optimization with genetic algorithms in servo systems	[20]
A14	A comparative study of PID controller tuning using GA, EP, PSO and ACO	[21]
A15	Ant colony optimization algorithm applied to ship steering control	[22]
A16	Application of an improved PSO algorithm to optimal tuning of PID gains for water turbine governor	[23]
A17	Automatic generation control of Thermal-Thermal-Hydro power systems with PID controller using ant colony optimization	[24]
A18	Automatic tuning of proportional-integral-derivative (PID) controller using particle swarm optimization (PSO) algorithm	[25]
A19	Optimal PID power system stabilizer tuning based on particle swarm optimization	[26]
A20	Optimal tuning of PID controller for AVR system using modified particle swarm optimization	[27]
A21	Tuning PID controller using multi-objective ant colony optimization	[28]
A22	Parameter optimization of PID controllers based on genetic algorithm	[29]

**Table 2**

ID	QAR1	QAR2	QAR3	QAR4	QAR5	QAR6	Total
A1	1	0.75	1	1	0.75	0.75	5.25
A2	0.75	0.25	1	0.5	0.75	0.75	4
A3	1	0.5	1	0.75	0.5	0.5	4.25
A4	1	1	0.75	1	0.75	0.75	5.25
A5	1	1	1	1	0.75	1	5.75
A6	1	0.5	1	0.25	0.75	1	4.5
A7	1	0.75	0.75	0.25	1	1	4.75
A8	0.75	0.25	0.75	0.75	0.5	0.5	3.5
A9	1	1	1	0	0.75	0.75	4.5
A10	1	0.5	0.75	0	0.75	0.5	3.5
A11	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	5.5
A12	1	1	0.75	0.25	1	0.75	4.75
A13	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	5.5
A14	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
A15	1	0.5	1	1	0.75	0.75	5
A16	0.75	0.5	0.75	0.25	0.75	0.5	3.5
A17	1	1	0.5	0.75	1	1	5.25
A18	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
A19	0.75	0.75	1	0.5	1	0.5	4
A20	1	0.75	1	1	0.5	0.5	4.75
A21	1	0.75	1	0.75	0.75	0.75	5
A22	1	1	1	0.75	1	1	5.75