[F21] Fundamentals of Robot Control. Assignment 2

Problem 1 (20 pts) Consider pendulum with dynamics described by

$$mL^2\ddot{\theta} + mgL\sin\theta + b\dot{\theta} = u$$

a. (10 pts) Find a control law that transforms pendulum dynamics to that of linear springmass-damper system

$$mL^2\ddot{\theta} + b_d\dot{\theta} + k_d\theta = 0.$$

with b_d , k_d denoting arbitrary positive values.

b. (10 pts) Write the error dynamics (differential equations for $\tilde{\theta} = \theta_d - \theta$) if the control law is given as the inverse dynamics of the form

$$u = mL^{2}(\ddot{\theta}_{d} + k_{d}\dot{\tilde{\theta}} + k_{p}\tilde{\theta}) + mgL\sin\theta + \hat{b}\dot{\theta},$$

with \hat{b} denoting our guess about viscous friction b, the respective error being $\tilde{b} = \hat{b} - b$, and the terms $k_p = \omega^2$, $k_d = 2\omega$ denoting positive constant controller gains.

Problem 2 (20 pts) Consider a nonlinear system given by the following equations:

$$c^{2} ((x_{1} + x_{2})^{2} + 6) \ddot{x}_{1} + bc(2 - \sin x_{2}) \ddot{x}_{2} + c \frac{x_{1} \dot{x}_{2}}{1 + \dot{x}_{2}^{2}} + b \dot{x}_{2} \cos \dot{x}_{1} - dx_{2} = a(3 + \dot{x}_{1}^{2})u_{1} + u_{2}$$

$$bc(2-\sin x_2)\ddot{x}_1+b^2((x_2-x_1)^2+3)\ddot{x}_2+a(x_1+x_2)\dot{x}_2^2+\dot{x}_1\dot{x}_2\sin x_1=au_1+(1+\dot{x}_2^2)u_2$$

a. (15 pts) Write dynamics in the following form (obtain D, β, C)

$$D(x,\dot{x})\ddot{x} + \beta(x,\dot{x}) = C(x,\dot{x})u$$

b. (5 pts) Show that "inertia" matrix D is positive definite.

Problem 3 (25 pts) Consider the following class of systems:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{u}$$

That admits a following representation:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} + \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{u}$$

where: $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is vector of constant parameters.

Assuming that exact parameters \mathbf{p} of system are not known but estimates $\hat{\mathbf{p}}$ are given instead, define the robust controller u such that $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}_d - \mathbf{x} \to 0$ provided that parameter uncertainty is bounded by known value $\|\tilde{\mathbf{p}}\| = \|\hat{\mathbf{p}} - \mathbf{p}\| < \rho$

Tip: use the following Lyapunov candidate and find controller ${\bf u}$ such that its derivative is negative definite:

$$V = \frac{1}{2}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^T\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$

Problem 4 (35 pts) Consider the flexible joint link governed by following dynamical system:

$$\begin{cases} I\ddot{\theta}_1 + b\dot{\theta}_1 + k(\theta_1 - \theta_2) = u \\ mL^2\ddot{\theta}_2 + mgL\sin\theta_2 = k(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \end{cases}$$

Let the output of interest to be the angle of link $y = \theta_2$, while the state is given by $\mathbf{x} = [\theta_1, \theta_2, \dot{\theta}_1, \dot{\theta}_2]$

- a. (15 pts) Find the state transformation $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x})$ and controller $u(\mathbf{x})$ that will linearize the system with respect to \mathbf{z} (feedback linearization)
- b. (10 pts) Simulate proposed controller in **the colab environement**. Do the regulation from $\theta_{2_0} = 0$ to $\theta_{2_d} = \pi$.
- c. (10 pts) Change your simulation in order to track the trajectory $\theta_{2_d} = \pi \sin(4\pi t)$

Tip: For convenience you may re-dimensionalize proposed system by setting all coefficients I = m = l = k = 1.