

Example 6.14 Cruise control

Consider again the cruise control system from Example 6.11, whose dynamics are given in equation (6.30):

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = \alpha_n u T(\alpha_n v) - mg C_r \operatorname{sgn}(v) - \frac{1}{2} \rho C_d A v |v| - mg \sin \theta.$$

If we choose u as a feedback law of the form

$$u = \frac{1}{\alpha_n T(\alpha_n v)} \left(\tilde{u} + mg C_r \operatorname{sgn}(v) + \frac{1}{2} \rho C_d A v |v| \right), \quad (6.38)$$

then the resulting dynamics become

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = \tilde{u} + d, \quad (6.39)$$