

ADVANCED AND MULTIVARIABLE CONTROL

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Solutions

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Exercise 1 (3 marks)

Consider the continuous-time linear system (select the correct answer):

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1(t) &= x_2^3(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) &= u(t)\end{aligned}$$

and the control law

$$u(t) = -x_2(t) - x_1(t)x_2^2(t)$$

With the Lyapunov theory and Krasowski La Salle theory (if necessary) and a quadratic Lyapunov function it is possible to conclude that the origin is

- ☐ an unstable equilibrium
- ☐ an asymptotically stable equilibrium
- ☐ a globally asymptotically stable equilibrium
- ☒ a simply stable equilibrium
- ☐ no answer

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} (x_1^2 + x_2^2)$$

$$\dot{V}(x) = (x_1 \dot{x}_1 + x_2 \dot{x}_2) =$$

$$= x_1 x_2^3 - x_2^2 - x_1 x_2^3 \leq 0$$

With KLS it is not possible to conclude anything because

$\dot{x}_1 = 0 \rightarrow x_1 = \text{const.}$
is compatible

Exercise 2 (3 marks)

The Nyquist criterion for MIMO systems (select the correct answer)

- ☐ does not exist
- ☐ exists only for open-loop asymptotically stable systems
- ☒ exists both for continuous time and discrete time systems
- ☒ exists for continuous time systems
- ☐ can be applied only when the conditions of applicability of the small gain theorem are satisfied
- ☐ no answer

(also this answer accepted even though it was not discussed in the course)

Exercise 3 (3 marks)

The Extended Kalman filter can be used (select the correct answer):

- ☐ only if the system is linear
- ☐ only if the linearized system is asymptotically stable
- ☐ when convergence of the estimated state to the real one must be guaranteed
- ☒ when there are unknown constant parameters entering the system's equations
- ☐ no answer

Exercise 4 (3 marks)

Recursive feasibility of the MPC problem (select the wrong answer)

- ☒ is not strictly required in an on-line implementation of the MPC control law
- ☐ is always guaranteed when there are only input constraints
- ☐ can be obtained for state and output constraints by means of slack variables
- ☒ it is not required when terminal cost and terminal constraints are included into the problem formulation
- ☐ No answer

(Two answers were correct, only one was required)

Exercise 5 (3 marks)

Given a SISO, closed-loop asymptotically stable system with perturbation, the H_{inf} norm of the nominal complementary sensitivity function is useful to (select the correct answer)

- ☐ Study the stability of the closed-loop system with additive perturbations
- ☒ Study the stability of the closed-loop system with multiplicative perturbations
- ☐ Study the stability with parametric perturbations
- ☐ None of the previous answers
- ☐ No answer

Exercise 6 (7 marks)

Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1(t) &= x_1(t) - x_2(t)e^{-x_2(t)} \\ \dot{x}_2(t) &= -2x_2(t) - x_1(t)e^{-x_2(t)} + u(t)\end{aligned}$$

- Verify that, for $u(t)=0$, the origin is an equilibrium point.
- Considering the linearized model at the origin, specify if it is possible to conclude that the equilibrium of the nonlinear system is asymptotically stable.
- Design a state feedback control law such that the linearized closed-loop system has eigenvalues $s=-1$ (double).
- Specify if it is possible to conclude that the corresponding nonlinear feedback system is globally asymptotically stable?

$$a) \quad \bar{x}_1=0, \bar{x}_2=0 \rightarrow \begin{cases} \bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 e^{-\bar{x}_2} = 0 \\ -2\bar{x}_2 - \bar{x}_1 e^{-\bar{x}_2} = 0 \end{cases} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{satisfies} \\ \bar{x}_1 = \bar{x}_2 = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

b) Linearized model (at the origin)

$$\begin{cases} \delta \dot{x}_1 = \delta x_1 - \delta x_2 \\ \delta \dot{x}_2 = -\delta x_1 - 2\delta x_2 + \delta u \end{cases} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(sI - A) = s^2 + s - 3 \Leftrightarrow \text{"unstable" eigenvalue}$$

$$c) \quad \text{reachability} \quad |B \quad AB| = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow \det \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{system reachable}$$

$$\delta u = -K\delta x = -[k_1 \ k_2] \delta x$$

$$\begin{aligned}\det(sI - (A - BK)) &= s^2 + (-3 + k_1)s + (1 - k_1 - k_2) = 0 \\ &= s^2 + 2s + 1\end{aligned}$$

$$k_1 = -5, \quad k_2 = 1$$

d) no, global stability cannot be derived by a local analysis like to use based on linearized model

Exercise 7 (6 marks)

Consider a continuous time linear system of order n , with m inputs and p outputs, $m \geq p$.

Discuss the main steps to design a regulator made by an observer of minimal order plus a state feedback control law and with an integral action on the output error variables.

See the notes. However:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax + Bu \\ y = cx \end{cases}, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}^m, y \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

+ integrators

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\tilde{x}} = A\tilde{x} + Bu \\ \dot{\tilde{v}} = y^o - y = y^o - c\tilde{x} \\ y = c\tilde{x} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\tilde{x}} \\ \dot{\tilde{v}} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ -c & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\tilde{A}} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{v} \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\tilde{B}} u$$

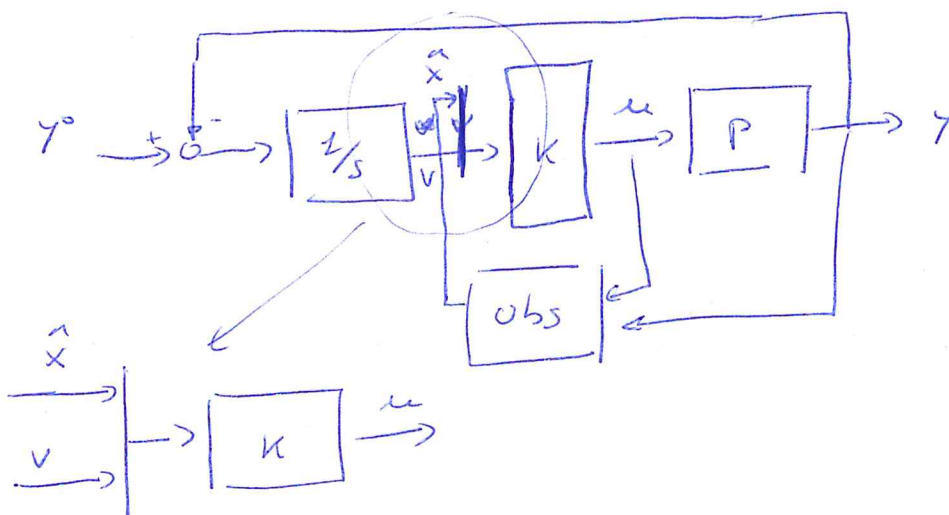
State feedback

$$u = -K \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{v} \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{x} \text{ computed with observer}$$

$K \rightarrow$ pole placement or LQR for \tilde{A}, \tilde{B}

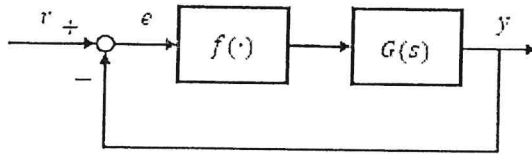
Observer

reduced order observer of ~~order~~ order $n-p$

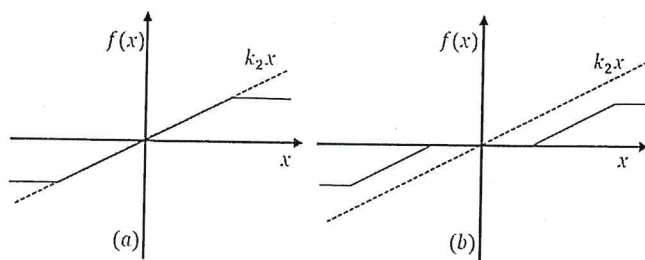


Exercise 8 (5 marks)

Consider the system

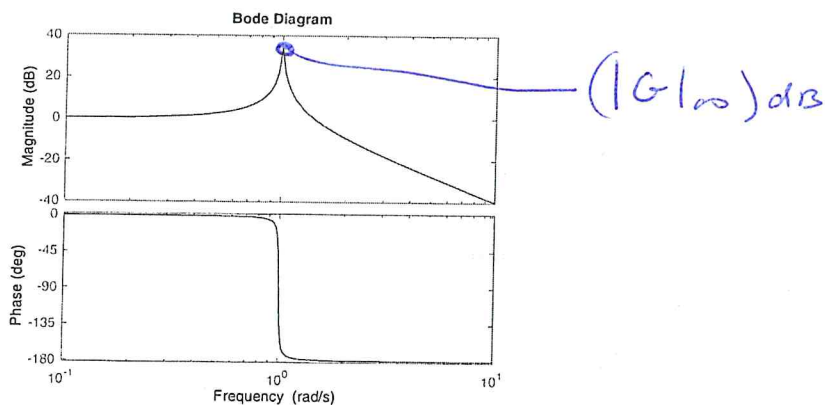


Where the function $f(\cdot)$ can take one of the following two forms,



$(k_2 > 0)$

while $G(s)$ is the transfer function of a SISO, asymptotically stable system with Bode diagrams



Specify the set of values of k_2 such that the I/O stability of the closed-loop system is guaranteed.

Specify if the above condition is necessary, sufficient, necessary and sufficient.

Small gain theorem $\rightarrow k_2 \cdot |G(j\omega)|_{\infty} < 1$
 only a sufficient condition