

Homework 5

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Due: Oct 11, 2024, 11:59 pm. Submit within deadline.

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- You will need to upload your solution in .pdf to Gradescope (either scanned handwritten version or L^AT_EX or other tools). If you are required to write Python code, upload the code to Gradescope as well.
- Grading: The score for each question or sub-question is discrete with three outcomes: fully correct (full score), partially correct/unclear (half the score), and totally wrong (zero score).
- Regrading: please review comments from TAs when the grade is posted and make sure no error in grading. If you find a grading error, you need to inform the TA as soon as possible but no later than a week from when your grade is posted. The grade may NOT be corrected after 1 week.
- At the start of every exercise you will see topic(s) on what the given question is about and what will you be learning.
- We advise you to start with the assignment early. All the submissions are to be done before the respective deadlines of each assignment. For information about the late days and scale of your Final Grade, refer to the Syllabus in Canvas.

Exercise 1. *Asymptotic stability and Lyapunov stability. (10 points)*

For each of the systems given below, determine whether it is Lyapunov stable, whether it is asymptotic stable.

(a) **(5 points)**

$$x(k+1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} x(k) + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} u(k)$$

(b) **(5 points)**

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -2 & 6 \\ 2 & -3 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} u$$

Exercise 2. Stabilizability (20 points)

Decompose the state equation

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} u \\ y &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x\end{aligned}$$

to a controllable form. Is the reduced state equation observable, stabilizable, detectable?

Exercise 3. Stability (15 points)

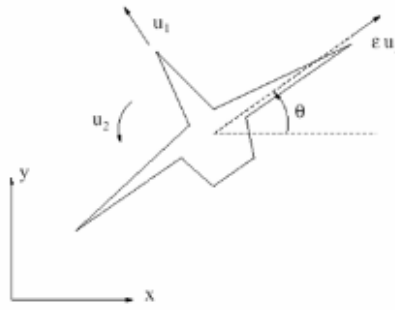


Figure 1: The VTOL. aircraft

The following is a planar model of a Vertical Take-off and Landing (VTOL) aircraft such as Lock-heed's F35 Joint Strike fighter around hover (cf. Figure 1):

$$\begin{aligned} m\ddot{x} &= -u_1 \sin \theta + \epsilon u_2 \cos \theta \\ m\ddot{y} &= u_1 \cos \theta + \epsilon u_2 \sin \theta - mg \\ J\ddot{\theta} &= u_2 \end{aligned}$$

where x, y are the position of the center of mass of the aircraft in the vertical plane and θ is the roll angle of the aircraft. u_1 and u_2 are the thrust forces (control inputs). The thrust is generated by a powerful fan and is vectored into two forces u_1 and u_2 . J is the moment of inertia, and ϵ is a small coupling constant. Determine the stability of the linearized model around the equilibrium solution

$$\tilde{x}(t), \tilde{y}(t), \tilde{\theta}(t) = 0, \tilde{u}_1(t) = mg; \tilde{u}_2(t) = 0.$$

The linearized model should be time invariant. The state $z = [\theta, \dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{\theta}]^T$, $u = [u_1, u_2]^T$

Exercise 4. *Lyapunov's direct method (10 points)*

An LTI system is described by the equations

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} x$$

Use Lyapunov's direct method to determine the range of variable a for which the system is asymptotically stable. Consider the Lyapunov function,

$$V = x_1^2 + x_2^2$$

Exercise 5. Stability of Non-Linear Systems (20 points)

Consider the following system:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 - x_1 x_2^2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_1^3\end{aligned}$$

(a) Is the approximated linearized system stable? Based on Lyapunov's Indirect method, is the system stable? [Hint: can you get a firm answer in this case?] **(5 points)**

(b) Based on Lyapunov's Direct method? **(5 points)** Consider the Lyapunov function:

$$V(x_1, x_2) = x_1^4 + 2x_2^2$$

(c) Plot the Phase Portrait plot of the original system and linearized system in a. **(5 points)**. Submit the code to Gradescope.

(d) Generate a 3D plot showing the variation of \dot{V} with respect to x_1 and x_2 . **(5 points)** [Hint: Use Axes3D python library]. Submit the code to Gradescope.

Note: For (c) and (d), include the code along with the plot in the pdf to be submitted. No need to submit .py file.

Exercise 6. BIBO Stability (10 points)

For each of the systems given below, determine whether it is BIBO stable.

(a) (5 points)

$$\begin{aligned}x(k+1) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} x(k) + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} u(k) \\ y(k) &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix} x(k)\end{aligned}$$

(b) (5 points)

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -2 & 6 \\ 2 & -3 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} u \\ y &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} x\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 7. BIBO Stability (15 points)

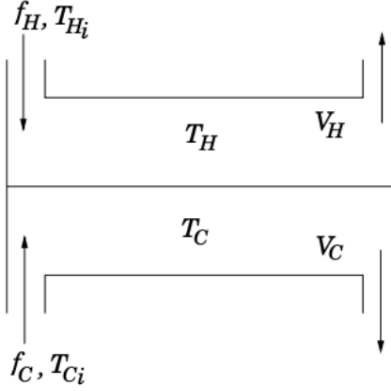


Figure 2: A simple heat exchanger

Consider a simplified model for a heat exchanger shown in Figure 2, in which f_C and f_H are the flows (assumed constant) of cold water and hot water, T_H and T_C represent the temperatures in the hot and cold compartments, respectively, T_{Hi} and T_{Ci} denote the temperature of the hot and cold inflow, respectively, and V_H and V_C are the volumes of hot and cold water. The temperatures in both compartments evolve according to:

$$V_C \frac{dT_C}{dt} = f_C(T_{Ci} - T_C) + \beta(T_H - T_C) \quad (1)$$

$$V_H \frac{dT_H}{dt} = f_H(T_{Hi} - T_H) + \beta(T_C - T_H) \quad (2)$$

Let the inputs to the system be $u_1 = T_{Ci}$, $u_2 = T_{Hi}$, the outputs are $y_1 = T_C$ and $y_2 = T_H$, and assume that $f_C = f_H = 0.1(m^3/min)$, $\beta = 0.2(m^3/min)$ and $V_H = V_C = 1(m^3)$.

1. Write the state space and output equations for this system. **(5 points)**
2. In the absence of any input, determine $y_1(t)$ and $y_2(t)$. **(5 points)**
3. Is the system BIBO stable? Show why or why not. **(5 points)**