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ME233 Advanced Control Systems II

Midterm Examination I

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Closed Book and Closed Notes. Two  $8.5 \times 11$  pages of handwritten notes allowed.

**Your Name:**

Please answer all questions.

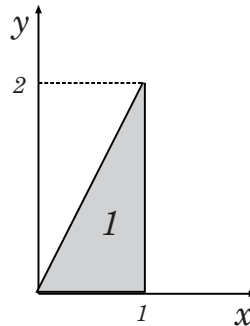
Problem:	1	2	3	Total
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## 1 Problem

A pair of random variables,  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint probability density function (PDF)

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq y \leq 2x \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

The figure below shows the support of  $p_{XY}(x, y)$



1. Compute the marginal probability density function  $p_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_{XY}(x, y) dx$ .
2. Compute the marginal mean  $m_Y = E\{Y\}$ .
3. Obtain an expression for the conditional probability density function  $p_{X|Y}(x)$ , i.e. the conditional PDF of  $X$  given the outcome  $Y = y$  for  $0 \leq y \leq 2$ .
4. Compute the conditional mean  $E\{X|Y = 0.5\}$ , i.e. the expected value of  $X$  given the outcome  $Y = 0.5$ .



## 2 Problem

A stochastic system is described as follows

$$\begin{aligned} X(k+1) &= 0.5 X(k) + 0.5 W(k) \\ Y(k) &= X(k) + V(k) \end{aligned}$$

where the initial condition  $X(0) \sim \mathcal{N}(\hat{x}_o, \sigma_{x_o}^2)$ <sup>1</sup> is normal with  $\hat{x} \in \mathcal{R}$ , and  $W(k)$  and  $V(k)$  are stationary uncorrelated normal white random sequences that satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} W(k) \\ V(k) \end{bmatrix} &\sim \mathcal{N}\left(\begin{bmatrix} \hat{w} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_w^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_v^2 \end{bmatrix}\right), & E\{X(0) \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{W}(k) & V(k) \end{bmatrix}\} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ & & \tilde{W}(k) &= W(k) - \hat{w} \end{aligned}$$

Assume the following values

$\hat{x}_o$	$\sigma_{x_o}$	$\hat{w}$	$\sigma_w$	$\sigma_v$
1	2	1	2	0.5

1. Calculate  $\hat{x}(2) = E\{X(2)\}$ .
2. Calculate  $\Lambda_{xx}(2, 0) = E\{\tilde{X}(2)\tilde{X}(0)\}$ .<sup>2</sup>
3. Calculate  $\Lambda_{xx}(0, 2) = E\{\tilde{X}(2)\tilde{X}(0)\}$ .
4. Calculate  $\bar{\Lambda}_{xx}(0) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} E\{\tilde{X}^2(k)\}$ .
5. Calculate  $E\{X(0)|Y(2) = y_2\}$ , where  $y_2 = 3$ .

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<sup>1</sup>Remember that if  $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(\hat{z}, \Lambda_{zz})$  is normal (Gaussian),  $E\{Z\} = \hat{z}$  and  $E\{(Z - \hat{z})(Z - \hat{z})^T\} = \Lambda_{zz}$ .

<sup>2</sup> $\tilde{X}(k) = X(k) - E\{X(k)\}$ .



### 3 Problem

Consider the design of an infinite-horizon LQR for the following discrete time LTI system

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(k+1) \\ x_2(k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 & 1 \\ 1 & 1.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(k) \\ x_2(k) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(k), \quad x(0) = x_o$$

$$y(k) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(k) \\ x_2(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

The transfer function  $G(z) = Y(z)/U(z)$  is

$$G(z) = C(zI - A)^{-1}B = \frac{z + 0.5}{(z - 0.5)(z - 2.5)}$$

1. Assume that the cost functional is

$$J = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \{y^2(k) + R u^2(k)\}, \quad R > 0.$$

- (a) Determine if there exists a unique stabilizing optimal control law  $u^o(k) = -K x(k)$  that is the solution to the above problem for  $R \in (0, \infty)$ .
- (b) Draw the reciprocal root locus and determine:
  - (i) The asymptotic values of the eigenvalues of the close loop system for  $R \rightarrow \infty$ .
  - (ii) The asymptotic values of the eigenvalues of the close loop system for  $R \rightarrow 0$ .

2. Assume now that the cost functional is

$$J = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \{y^2(k) + \sqrt{R} y(k)u(k) + R u^2(k)\}, \quad R > 0. \quad (1)$$

Notice that this cost contains a cross term between the output  $y(k)$  and the control action  $u(k)$ . In order to determine the optimal control law, an auxiliary feedback term in the control law can be used:

$$u(k) = -L y(k) + v(k) \quad (2)$$

where  $v(k)$  is considered as the “new” control input and the output injection gain  $L$  must be determined so that the problem can be re-casted into a standard LQR problem.

- (a) Substitute the control (2) into the cost functional (1) and determine the output injection gain  $L$  so that the resulting expression for the cost functional is of the form

$$J = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \bar{Q} y^2(k) + R v^2(k) \right\}, \quad R > 0 \quad \bar{Q} > 0.$$

- (b) Determine if there exists a unique stabilizing optimal control law

$$u^o(k) = -K x(k) = -(LC + \bar{K}) x(k)$$

that is the solution to the above problem for  $R \in (0, \infty)$ .

Hint: Notice that the following results are true:

- $[A, B]$  is controllable (stabilizable)  $\Leftrightarrow [A + BF, B]$  is controllable (stabilizable), for any constant  $F$  of appropriate dimensions.
- $[A, C]$  is observable (detectable)  $\Leftrightarrow [A + HC, C]$  is observable (detectable), for any constant  $H$  of appropriate dimensions.



