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**Final Examination**

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Closed book and closed notes.

Eight double-sided sheets (i.e. 16 pages) of handwritten notes on 8.5" × 11" paper are allowed.  
Please answer all questions.

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## Problem 1

Consider the state-space system

$$x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k) + B_w w(k) \quad (1)$$

$$y(k) = Cx(k) + v(k) \quad (2)$$

where the sequences  $w(k)$  and  $v(k)$  are jointly Gaussian WSS random sequences that satisfy the usual assumptions:

$$\begin{aligned} E\{w(k)\} &= 0 & E\{v(k)\} &= 0 \\ E\{w(k+j)w(k)\} &= W\delta(j) & E\{v(k+j)v(k)\} &= V\delta(j) \\ E\{w(k+j)v(k)\} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

By the internal model principle, a reasonable way to reject constant disturbances is to impose the control structure

$$u(k+1) = u(k) + \bar{u}(k) . \quad (3)$$

where  $\bar{u}(k)$  is the incremental control to be designed. We measure the performance of the closed-loop system using the cost function

$$J = E\{x^T(k)Qx(k) + u^T(k)Ru(k)\} .$$

1. Append the controller dynamics (3) to the system dynamics (1)–(2) and express the resulting system in the form

$$x_e(k+1) = A_e x_e(k) + B_e \bar{u}(k) + B_{we} w(k) \quad (4)$$

$$y(k) = C_e x_e(k) + v(k) \quad (5)$$

2. Show that, for the system (4)–(5), there does not exist a Kalman filter with asymptotically stable estimation error dynamics. Assume that the Kalman filter only has access to the measurements  $y(k)$  and the incremental control  $\bar{u}(k)$ ; do not treat  $u(k)$  as measurable.
3. Suppose we now modify the control structure to instead be

$$u(k+1) = u(k) + \bar{u}(k) + \eta(k)$$

where  $\eta(k)$  is a Gaussian WSS random sequence that is independent from  $w(k)$  and  $v(k)$  and satisfies

$$E\{\eta(k)\} = 0 \qquad E\{\eta^T(k+j)\eta(k)\} = \alpha I \delta(j)$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathcal{R}$ . It can be shown under some reasonable assumptions on  $Q$ ,  $R$ , and the system (1)–(2) that we can construct LQG controllers that optimize  $J$  for the system (4)–(5) whenever  $\alpha > 0$ . (You do not need to find the corresponding conditions or prove existence of an optimal controller.) Thus, adding the noise  $\eta(k)$  into the control law makes the optimal LQG control problem solvable. Is it possible, via choice of  $\alpha$ , to design a high-performance controller (in terms of  $J$ ) that rejects constant disturbances? Give a brief justification of your answer.

## Problem 2

Consider the discrete-time system

$$(1 - 0.3q^{-1})y(k) = q^{-1}[(1 - 0.5q^{-1})u(k) + d_1(k) + d_2(k)]$$

where  $q^{-1}$  is the one-step delay operator,  $u(k)$  is the controlling input,  $y(k)$  is the measured output, and  $d_1(k)$  and  $d_2(k)$  are disturbances. The disturbance  $d_1(k)$  is given by

$$d_1(k) = \bar{d} \sin(\omega k + \phi)$$

where  $\omega$  is known, but  $\bar{d}$  and  $\phi$  are unknown<sup>1</sup>. It is also known that

$$d_2(k) = d_2(k + N), \quad \forall k$$

i.e.  $d_2(k)$  is periodic, with period  $N$ . It is assumed here that  $N$  is large. In this problem, we will design a controller for this system in two steps.

Throughout this problem, clearly indicate all steps of your design process, which includes solving a Diophantine (Bezout) equation. You do not have to explicitly solve this equation. However, you should write down the linear equation  $Mx = b$ , that must be solved in order to obtain the solution of the Diophantine equation. This includes clearly defining the elements of the unknown vector  $x$  and all of the coefficients of the matrix  $M$  and the vector  $b$ .

1. Design a controller that achieves the following:

- The set of closed-loop poles of the system only includes poles at the origin and any canceled zeros.
- The disturbance  $d_1(k)$  is rejected, but the disturbance  $d_2(k)$  is not rejected.

2. Using the controller designed in the previous part as a minor loop, design an outer loop controller that achieves the following:

- The disturbance  $d_2(k)$  is rejected.
- The system output tracks a desired output  $y_d(k)$ , which satisfies

$$y_d(k) = y_d(k + N), \quad \forall k$$

i.e.  $y_d(k)$  is also periodic, with period  $N$ .

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<sup>1</sup>If you do not have the appropriate annihilating polynomial in your notes, it can be derived from the trigonometric identity  $\sin(\omega(k \pm 1) + \phi) = \cos(\omega) \sin(\omega k + \phi) \pm \sin(\omega) \cos(\omega k + \phi)$ .

## Problem 3

Consider the state-space system

$$\begin{aligned}x(k+1) &= x(k) + u(k) + w(k) \\ y(k) &= x(k) + v(k)\end{aligned}$$

where  $y(k)$  is the output and  $u(k)$  is the control input. The signals  $w(k)$  and  $v(k)$  are jointly Gaussian WSS random sequences that satisfy the usual assumptions:

$$\begin{aligned}E\{w(k)\} &= 0 & E\{v(k)\} &= 0 \\ E\{w(k+j)w(k)\} &= W\delta(j) & E\{v(k+j)v(k)\} &= V\delta(j) \\ E\{w(k+j)v(k)\} &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$

In this problem,  $W = 1$ ,  $V = 2$ , and all signals are scalar.

Design a controller that minimizes the cost function

$$J = E\{y^2(k)\} .$$

To receive full credit, you must explicitly find all of the controller parameters.

## Problem 4

Consider a system of the form

$$y(k+1) = \phi^T(k)\theta$$

where  $\phi(k)$  is a regressor vector whose value is known at time step  $k$  and  $\theta$  is a vector of unknown coefficients. To estimate the value of  $\theta$ , the following parameter adaptation algorithm (PAA) is proposed:

$$\begin{aligned} e(k+1) &= y(k+1) - \phi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k+1) \\ \hat{\theta}(k+1) &= \hat{\theta}(k) + F(k)\phi(k)e(k+1) \\ F(k+1) &= \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \left[ F(k) - \lambda_2 \frac{F(k)\phi(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2\phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

where  $0 \leq \frac{\lambda_2}{2} < \lambda_1 \leq 1$ . Note in particular that this is not the PAA presented in Lecture 20 of Spring 2012.

1. Show that  $e(k)$  converges to zero.

**Hint:** If you treat  $v(k) = \lambda_1 e(k)$  as the input to the PAA, you can avoid directly checking the Popov inequality for any relevant nonlinearities by instead relating the relevant nonlinearities to ones presented in lecture.

## Problem 5

Consider the ARMAX system

$$A(q^{-1})y(k) = q^{-d}B(q^{-1})u(k) + C(q^{-1})w(k)$$

where  $y(k)$  is the output and  $u(k)$  is the control input. The signal  $w(k)$  is a WSS Gaussian random sequence that satisfies

$$E\{w(k)\} = 0 \quad E\{w(k+j)w(k)\} = \delta(j)$$

Assume that the order of the polynomials in the model is known and  $d$  is known, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} A(q^{-1}) &= 1 + a_1q^{-1} \\ B(q^{-1}) &= b_0 + b_1q^{-1} \\ C(q^{-1}) &= 1 + c_1q^{-1} \\ d &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

Although, the values of  $a_1$ ,  $b_0$ ,  $b_1$ , and  $c_1$  are not known, it is known that  $b_0 \geq \bar{b}_0 > 0$ . It is also known that the polynomial  $B(q^{-1})$  is anti-Schur.

In this problem, we will consider the control scheme

$$\hat{R}(q^{-1}, k)u(k) = -\hat{S}(q^{-1}, k)y(k)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{R}(q^{-1}, k) &= \hat{r}_0(k) + \hat{r}_1(k)q^{-1} + \hat{r}_2(k)q^{-2} \\ \hat{S}(q^{-1}, k) &= \hat{s}_0(k). \end{aligned}$$

Define the following:

- Unknown parameter vector  $\theta = [r_0 \ r_1 \ r_2 \ s_0 \ c_1]^T$
- Parameter estimate vector  $\hat{\theta}(k) = [\hat{r}_0(k) \ \hat{r}_1(k) \ \hat{r}_2(k) \ \hat{s}_0(k) \ \hat{c}_1(k)]^T$
- Parameter error vector  $\tilde{\theta}(k) = \theta - \hat{\theta}(k)$

1. Show that, using the solution of a Diophantine equation to define the polynomials  $\bar{R}(q^{-1})$  and  $S(q^{-1})$ , the plant dynamics can be parameterized by

$$C(q^{-1})y(k) = R(q^{-1})u(k-d) + S(q^{-1})y(k-d) + C(q^{-1})v(k) \quad (6)$$

where  $R(q^{-1}) = \bar{R}(q^{-1})B(q^{-1})$  and  $v(k) = \bar{R}(q^{-1})w(k)$ . Also write down the corresponding Diophantine equation.

2. Let the polynomials  $R(q^{-1})$  and  $S(q^{-1})$  respectively have the form

$$\begin{aligned} R(q^{-1}) &= r_0 + r_1q^{-1} + r_2q^{-2} \\ S(q^{-1}) &= s_0. \end{aligned}$$

Choose the vector  $\phi(k)$  such that Eq. (6) can be expressed as

$$y(k+1) = \phi^T(k)\theta + C(q^{-1})v(k+1).$$

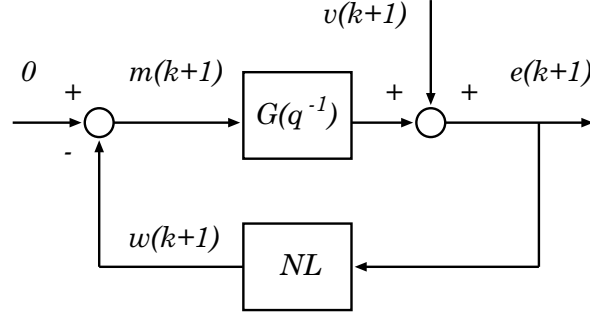


Figure 1: PAA Equivalent Feedback Loop

3. The following PAA is proposed<sup>2</sup>:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{y}(k+1) &= \hat{\phi}^T(k) \hat{\theta}(k+1) \\
 e(k+1) &= y(k+1) - \hat{y}(k+1) \\
 \hat{\theta}(k+1) &= \hat{\theta}(k) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} F(k) \hat{\phi}(k) e(k+1) \\
 F(k+1) &= \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} \left[ F(k) - \lambda_2(k) \frac{F(k) \hat{\phi}(k) \hat{\phi}^T(k) F(k)}{\lambda_1(k) + \lambda_2(k) \hat{\phi}^T(k) F(k) \hat{\phi}(k)} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\hat{\phi}(k) = [u(k-1) \quad u(k-2) \quad u(k-3) \quad y(k-1) \quad -\hat{y}(k)]^T$$

$$0 < \lambda_1(k) \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq \lambda_2(k) < 2.$$

Show that the PAA dynamics can be described by the equivalent block diagram in Fig. 1 where

$$w(k+1) = -\hat{\phi}^T(k) \tilde{\theta}(k+1).$$

Also determine an expression for the LTI block  $G(q^{-1})$  in Fig. 1.

4. Assume that  $v(k) = 0$ . What are sufficient conditions for  $e(k)$  to converge to zero?

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<sup>2</sup>The PAA should also include several projection algorithms, as discussed in class. However, for the sake of simplicity, we will not include them in this problem.