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DESIGN OF LINEAR MULTIVARIABLE CONTROL SYSTEMS

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Time allowed: 3:00 hours

There are FOUR questions on this paper.

Answer ALL questions

All questions carry equal marks

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1. a) Let the n -th order transfer matrix $G(s)$ have a state space realisation

$$G(s) \triangleq \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline C & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

and assume that A is stable. Let

$$AP + PA^T + BB^T = 0, \quad A^T Q + QA + C^T C = 0,$$

for some

$$P = P^T = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q = Q^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Q_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $\mathcal{R}^{n_1 \times n_1} \ni P_1 \succ 0$ and $\mathcal{R}^{n_2 \times n_2} \ni Q_2 \succ 0$ and where $n_1 + n_2 = n$. By partitioning the realisation for $G(s)$ compatibly with P and Q , prove that the realisation can be decomposed into two subsystems:

- i) A subsystem with n_1 modes that are stable, controllable and unobservable. [4]
- ii) A subsystem with n_2 modes that are stable, uncontrollable and observable. [4]

Draw a diagram illustrating the two subsystems of $G(s)$. [4]

- b) Let

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(A_1, B_1), \dots, (A_N, B_N)\},$$

where $A_i \in \mathcal{R}^{n \times n}$ and $B_i \in \mathcal{R}^{n \times m}, i = 1, \dots, N$ are given. The set \mathcal{S} is called simultaneously stabilisable if there exists $K \in \mathcal{R}^{m \times n}$ such that $A_i + B_i K$ is stable for $i = 1, \dots, N$.

- i) Suggest a set of necessary and sufficient conditions, in the form of matrix inequalities, for the simultaneous stabilisability of \mathcal{S} . [4]
- ii) Suggest a set of sufficient conditions, in the form of linear matrix inequalities, for the simultaneous stabilisability of \mathcal{S} . Explain how K may be obtained if these conditions are satisfied. [4]

2. a) Consider a state-variable model described by the dynamics

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t), \quad y(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t),$$

and let $H(s) = D + C(sI - A)^{-1}B$ denote the corresponding transfer matrix. Suppose there exists a $P = P^T \succ 0$ such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^T P + PA + C^T C & PB + C^T D \\ B^T P + D^T C & D^T D - \gamma^2 I \end{bmatrix} \prec 0.$$

- i) Prove that A is stable. [4]
- ii) By defining suitable Lyapunov and cost functions and completing a square, prove that

$$\|H\|_{\infty} < \gamma.$$

[4]

- iii) By using the fact that $\|H\|_{\infty} = \|H^T\|_{\infty}$ derive a dual set of conditions for $H(s)$ stable and $\|H\|_{\infty} < \gamma$. [4]

- b) Consider a state-variable model subject to disturbance $d(t)$ described by the dynamics

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t) + B_d d(t), \quad z(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t) + D_d d(t).$$

A state-feedback controller of the form $u(t) = Kx(t)$ is to be designed such that, for a given $\gamma > 0$, $\|T_{zd}\|_{\infty} < \gamma$ where $T_{zd}(s)$ denotes the transfer matrix from d to z .

- i) Derive a state space realization for $T_{zd}(s)$. [4]
- ii) By using the answer to Part (aiii) above, or otherwise, derive sufficient conditions for the existence of a feasible K . Your conditions should be in the form of the existence of certain solutions to linear matrix inequalities. [4]

3. Consider the linear quadratic regulator (LQR) in Figure 3 for which $x(0) = x_0$ and where $d(t)$ denotes a disturbance. Let $z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1^T & z_2^T \end{bmatrix}^T$. A stabilizing state-feedback gain matrix F is to be designed such that, when $d(t) = 0, \forall t$, the cost function $J = \|z\|_2^2$ is minimized.

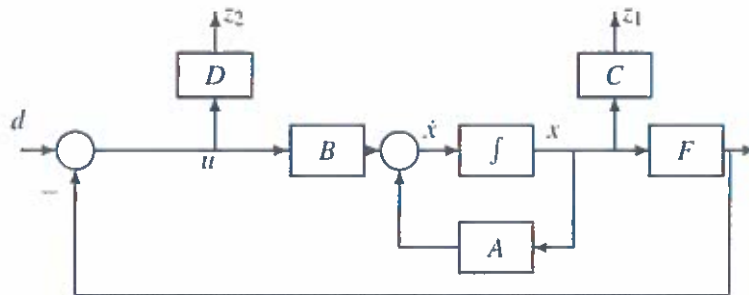


Figure 3

- State the assumptions needed on the matrices A , B , C and D to obtain a solution and define a suitable Lyapunov function $V(t)$. [4]
- Obtain an expression for $\int_0^\infty V(t)dt$. State clearly any assumptions made. [4]
- Find an expression for F that minimizes J . Give also the algebraic Riccati equation that needs to be satisfied. What is the minimum value of J ? [4]
- Prove now that the closed loop system in Figure 3 is stable. State the assumptions required to guarantee stability. [4]
- Assume that $D = I$. By evaluating a state-space realisation for $T_{z_1d}(s)$ in Figure 3 and using the Bounded Real Lemma (given in Question 2 above), prove that $\|T_{z_1d}\|_\infty \leq 1$. Ignore issues relating to strict matrix inequalities. [4]

4. Consider the \mathcal{H}_∞ regulator shown in Figure 4 for which it is assumed that the pair (A, B_2) is controllable, the triple (A, B_1, C_1) is minimal and $x(0) = x_0$. Let $H(s)$ denote the transfer matrix from w to $z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1^T & z_2^T \end{bmatrix}^T$ and let $\gamma > 0$ be given.

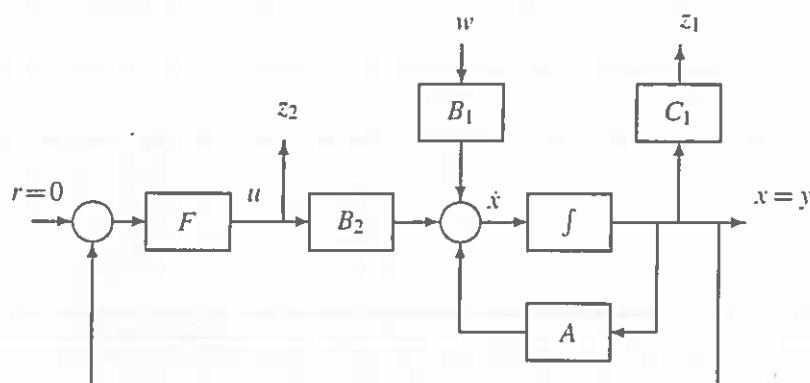


Figure 4

A stabilizing state-feedback gain matrix F is to be designed such that $\|H\|_\infty \leq \gamma$ for a given $\gamma > 0$.

- Write down the generalized regulator formulation for this design problem. [5]
- By defining a suitable Lyapunov function and a cost function J involving an auxiliary variable $X = X'$, and carrying out two completions of squares, derive an expression for J that can be used to solve the design problem. [5]
- Use the expression for J to formulate the design problem and derive sufficient conditions for its solution. Your conditions should be in the form of the existence of a certain solution to an algebraic Riccati equation. It should also include an expression for F and an expression for the worst-case disturbance w^* . [5]
- Let $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$. Write down the cost function and the Riccati equation and compare the solution of the \mathcal{H}_∞ regulator to the solution of the LQR in Question 3 above. [5]

