

## Lab7: LQR Problems

**Exercise 1:** Consider the following system:

$$\ddot{x} + x = u, \quad x(0) = 0, \quad \dot{x}(0) = 1.$$

1. Use any ODE solver when no control is applied ( i.e.  $u = 0$ )  
Use for example "ode45" and plot the phase portrait.
2. We want to stabilize the system near the origin by minimizing the following cost function:

$$J(x, u) := \int_0^{+\infty} (x(t)^2 + \dot{x}(t)^2 + u(t)^2) dt.$$

Show that the solution of the Riccati correspondant equation is:

$$-\begin{pmatrix} -a\sqrt{2} & 1 - \sqrt{2} \\ 1 - \sqrt{2} & -a \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a = \sqrt{2\sqrt{2} - 1}$ .

3. Compute the optimal control.
4. Suppose that we know the exact optimal state solution:

$$x(t) = \frac{2}{b} e^{-\frac{a}{2}t} \sin \frac{b}{2}t$$

where  $b = \sqrt{2\sqrt{2} + 1}$ .

Solve numerically the problem and compare your results to the exact solution.

**Exercise 2:** Consider the following system:

$$\dot{x} = y + u_1, \quad \dot{y} = u_2.$$

1. Solve the optimal control problem corresponding to the following cost function:

$$J(x, u) := \int_0^{+\infty} (x(t)^2 + y(t)^2 + u_1(t)^2 + u_2(t)^2) dt.$$

2. Test different initial points and comment your results.