

**PROBLEM 1(60pts)** Throughout the semester a recurrent example of a dynamical system has been the DC motor. To this point we have assumed its TF is:  $\frac{\Omega(s)}{V(s)} = G(s) = \frac{g_s}{\tau s + 1} \left[ \frac{rad / \sec}{volt} \right]$ . On p.57 of the book [1], as well as at many other

 $sources \ (e.g.\ \underline{https://www.engr.siu.edu/staff/spezia/Web438A/Lecture\%20Notes/lesson14et438a.pdf}\ [2])\ the\ governing\ equations\ include:$ 

(1): 
$$L\frac{di}{dt} + Ri = v - K_E \omega \ [volts]$$
 ; (2):  $J\dot{\omega} + B\omega = K_T i \ [N-m]$ .

(a)(7pts) Show that 
$$\frac{\Omega(s)}{V(s)} = G(s) = \frac{K_T}{(Js+B)(Ls+R) + K_T K_E} \left[ \frac{rad / sec}{volt} \right]$$

Solution:

(b)(6pts) In [1] on p.58 the authors state "In many cases the relative effect of the inductance, L, is negligible compared to the mechanical motion and can be neglected." In [2] the author states on p.9 that "The electrical time constant  $\tau_e = L/R$  is much smaller than the mechanical time constant  $\tau_m = J/B$ , and is usually neglected. In both [1] and [2] the effect is to set L=0. Even so, they are not saying the same thing. To say that L is negligible compared to mechanical motion is like comparing bananas and rock music. And even though it is true that  $\tau_e << \tau_m$ , neither of these time constants is a time constant associated with G(s). Hence, this argument is weak. Show that the poles of G(s) can be expressed as

$$s_{1,2} = \frac{-(1+r) \pm \sqrt{1+r^2 + 2(1-2K)r}}{2\tau_e} \quad \text{where} \quad r = \tau_e / \tau_m \quad \text{and} \quad K = 1 + (K_T K_E) / (RB) \,. \tag{1b}$$

Solution:

(c)(10pts) From (a), for 
$$L=0$$
, we have  $\hat{G}_c(s) = \frac{K_T}{JRs + BR + K_T K_E}$  with a single pole 
$$\hat{s}_1^c = -(BR + K_T K_E) / JR = -[1 + (K_T K_E) / (BR)] / \tau_m, \text{ and associated time constant } \hat{\tau} = \tau_m / [1 + (K_T K_E) / (BR)].$$

In (b) it is clear that we <u>cannot</u> assume  $\tau_e = 0$ . For r << 1, (1b) gives  $\hat{G}_b(s) = \frac{K_T / JL}{(s - \hat{s}_1^b)((s - \hat{s}_2^b))}$ . Consider the numerical

information in the Appendix code at 1(a). It was taken from p.12 of [2]. Compute the numerical values of (i) the exact poles and time constants, (ii) the pole and time constant for L=0, and (iii) the poles and time constants for  $\tau_e \ll \tau_m$ . Solution: [See code @ 1(c).]

(d)(6pts) Regardless of your answers in (c) assume here that:  $s_{1,2} = [-5.49, -54.67]$ ,  $\hat{s}_{1}^{c} = -5$ , and  $\hat{s}_{1,2}^{b} = [-5.41, -54.59]$ . Clearly, the roots closest to the imaginary axis are all approximately -5. Since the poles  $\hat{s}_{1,2}^{b}$  are close to the exact poles  $s_{1,2}$ , we will restrict our attention to  $s_{1,2}$ . (i) Overlay the step responses associated with G(s) and  $\hat{G}_{c}(s)$ . (ii) Explain the physical significance of the difference in behavior at t = 0. Solution: [See code @ 1(d).]

**Figure 1(d)** Step responses for G(s) and  $\hat{G}_{c}(s)$ .

(e)(6pts) The similarity of the step responses you should have found in (c) provides support for the assumption L=0 in relation to the speed/voltage transfer function. In this part , (i) overlay the Bode plots for the **position**/voltage TFs. (ii) For each TF obtain the phase information for the frequency at which the magnitude is  $-10\,\mathrm{dB}$ .

Solution: [See code @ 1(e).]

**Figure 1(e)** Bode for 
$$G_p(s)$$
 and  $\hat{G}_p(s)$ .

**(f)(11pts)** Using a proportional controller with a gain of 10 dB in a unity feedback configuration, (i) overlay the closed loop responses for a 10° step. (ii) Explain how their difference relates to CL stability information available in (e). (iii) Compute the maximum time delay for each system before it becomes unstable.

Solution: [See code @ 1(f).]

(ii):

(iii):

Figure 1(f) CL responses for a 10° step.

**(g)(8pts)** (i) Overlay the CL Bode plots. Use the data cursor to estimate (ii) the  $\pm 3\,\mathrm{dB}$  bandwidth for each system, and (iii) the amplification (in dB) at resonance for each system. *Solution*: [See code @ 1(g).]

(ii)

(iii):

Figure 1(g) CL Bode plots with data cursor information.

**(h)(6pts)** From (a), for a controller gain K, the exact OL TF is  $KG(s) = \frac{KK_T}{s[(Js+B)(Ls+R)+K_TK_E]}$ . (i): Use the Routh

array to obtain the general inequality that is needed for CL stability. (ii) Using the numerical values for all parameters (including K=10 dB) but L, find the minimum value of L such that the CL will remain stable, and (iii) compare it to the given L=0.02.

Solution:

(i):

(ii):

**PROBLEM 2(40pts)** The unity feedback position control block diagram for the DC motor at right includes a speed changer block:  $\dot{\theta} = \gamma \theta_m$ . With an external load connected to the output shaft of the speed changer, the effective total mechanical inertia and damping are [from EM345]:

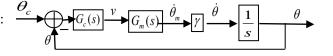


Figure 2 Position control block diagram.

$$J_T = J + J_{load} / \gamma^2$$
 and  $B_T = B + B_{load} / \gamma^2$ .

The motor + speed changer TF is now: 
$$\frac{\Omega(s)}{V(s)} = \widetilde{G}(s) = \frac{K_T \gamma}{J_T L s^2 + (B_T L + J_T R) s + (K_T K_E + B_T R)}.$$
Hence, for  $G_c(s) = K_P$  the CL TF is: 
$$W(s) = \frac{K_T K_P \gamma}{J_T L s^3 + (B_T L + J_T R) s^2 + (K_T K_E + B_T R) s + K_T K_P \gamma}.$$

(a)(8pts) For a small load we can assume that  $J_{load}=0$  and  $B_{load}=0$ . For the numbers given in 1(c) and  $K_P=10dB$ , (i) obtain a plot of the CL root locus for varying  $\gamma$ . (ii) Use the data cursor to determine the range of  $\gamma$  for CL stability. Solution: [See code @ 2(a).]

**Figure 2(a)** CL root locus for varying  $\gamma$ .

**(b)(10pts)** Throughout the remainder of this problem we will make the assumptions in (b) and let  $\gamma = 1$ . (i) From the OL Bode plot obtain a proportional controller that will yield a CL  $PM = 70^{\circ}$ . (ii) Plot the CL response to a  $10^{\circ}$  step. (iii) Use the data cursor to estimate the angle position at  $\theta(2 \text{ sec})$ .

Solution: [See code @ 2(b).]

(i):

(iii):

Figure 2(b) OL Bode plot (left). CL response to a 10° step (right).

(c)(11pts) In (b) you should have found that the CL response time is approximately 1.5 to 2 seconds. (i) Design a PD controller that will result in a CL $PM = 70^{\circ}$ at an OL gain crossover frequency $\omega_{gc} = 10  r / s$ . To this end, begin with an
OL Bode plot with pertinent information. (ii) Verify your design using the 'margin' command (no plot!) (iii) Plot the CL response to a $10^{\circ}$ step, and (iv) give $\theta(t=1)$ .
Solution: [See code @ 2(c), but show key work HERE.]
i):
iii):
Figure 2(c) OL Bode plot (left). CL response to a 10° step (right). iv):
<b>(d)(11pts)</b> You should have observed a slight oscillation in the beginning of the CL step response in (c). For $G_c(s) = 0.5(1+s/3.5)/(1+s/29)$ it is easy to show that the CL has an underdamped pole $s_1 \cong -11.5 + i15$ with $\zeta \cong 0.6$ . In this part consider a controller $G_c(s) = K(1+s/4)/(1+s/\omega_2)$ . (i) Use the root locus method to arrive at the values for $K$ and $\omega_2$ that will place a CL pole at $s_1 = -15 + i11$ to achieve $\zeta \cong 0.8$ . (ii) Use the 'margin' command to give the resulting CL
PM. (iii) Overlay the CL response to a 10° step with that given in (c). (iv) Briefly comment on the plots. Solution: [See code @ 2(d).]
ii):
iv):

Figure 2(d). Space for a helpful root locus plot (left). Overlaid CL responses to a 10° step (right).



## **Appendix** Matlab Code

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