

# Laboratory Work: Optimal control

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## Question 1:

### 1.1

The Hamiltonian is given as  $H = -F_0(x, y, t) + \phi^T \dot{x}$ , by substituting  $F_0(x, u, t) = u^2(t)$  and  $\dot{x}^T = [\dot{x}_1 \quad \dot{x}_2]$ ; therefore, we can write the Hamiltonian as:

$$H = -u^2 + \phi^T \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = -u^2 + \phi_1 \dot{x}_1 + \phi_2 \dot{x}_2$$

But the plant's model is given as:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + Bu = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u \\ \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1 + x_2 + 2u \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_1 + u \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the Hamiltonian is written as:

$$H = -u^2 + \phi_1(-x_1 + x_2 + 2u) + \phi_2(x_1 + u)$$

### 1.2

The Euler-Lagrange equations are as follows,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\phi}_i &= -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x_i} \\ \frac{\partial H}{\partial u} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

By differentiating we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial H}{\partial x_1} &= -\phi_1 + \phi_2 \rightarrow \dot{\phi}_1 = \phi_1 - \phi_2 \\ \frac{\partial H}{\partial x_2} &= \phi_1 \rightarrow \dot{\phi}_2 = -\phi_1 \\ \frac{\partial H}{\partial u} &= -2u + 2\phi_1 + 1\phi_2 \rightarrow u = \frac{2\phi_1 + \phi_2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

By substituting the expression of  $u$  in the plant's model, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1 + x_2 + 2\phi_1 + \phi_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_1 + \phi_1 + 0.5\phi_2 \end{aligned}$$

Combining the expressions of  $\dot{\phi}_1, \dot{\phi}_2, \dot{x}_1, \dot{x}_2$  we get the following differential equation system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\phi}_1 \\ \dot{\phi}_2 \\ \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0.5 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The boundary conditions are:  $x_2(0)=0, x_1(\pi)=1, x_2(\pi)=0$ , we see that's there are only three conditions, therefore, we can write these conditions as:

$$g_1 = x_2(0) = 0 \quad g_2 = x_1(\pi) - 1 = 0 \quad g_3 = x_2(\pi) = 0$$

By adding them we get  $G = v_1 g_1 + v_2 g_2 + v_3 g_3 = v_1 x_2(0) + v_2 x_1(\pi) - v_2 + v_3 x_2(\pi)$

By applying the transversality conditions, we get

$$\phi_1(0) = -\frac{\delta G}{\delta x_1(0)} = 0$$

$$\phi_2(0) = -\frac{\delta G}{\delta x_2(0)} = -v_1$$

$$\phi_1(\pi) = \frac{\delta G}{\delta x_1(\pi)} = v_2$$

$$\phi_2(\pi) = \frac{\delta G}{\delta x_2(\pi)} = v_3$$

We can see that we got a new condition  $\dot{\phi}_1(0)=0$  which complete the required 4 conditions to definitely solve a system of 4 differential equations. The full condition set is

$$\phi_1(0)=0, x_2(0)=0, x_1(\pi)=1, x_2(\pi)=0$$

### 1.3

The following MATLAB code was created to solve the differential equation system,

```
syms f1(t) f2(t) x1(t) x2(t)
A = [1, -1, 0, 0;
     -1, 0, 0, 0;
     2, 1, -1, 1;
     1, 0.5, 1, 0];

odes = [diff(f1); diff(f2); diff(x1); diff(x2)] == A * [f1; f2; x1; x2];

conds = [f1(0); x2(0); x1(pi); x2(pi)] == [0; 0; 1; 0];

[f1s(t), f2s(t), x1s(t), x2s(t)] = dsolve(odes, conds);

u(t) = simplify(f1s + 0.5*f2s);
pretty(u(t))
matlabFunction(u)
```

The resultant signal  $u(t)$  is the following:

$$u(t) = \frac{e^{\frac{t}{2} + \pi} \left( (1 + \sqrt{5}) e^{\frac{3\sqrt{5}\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2}} + (\sqrt{5} - 1) e^{\frac{\sqrt{5}\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2} + \sqrt{5}t} + (1 - \sqrt{5}) e^{\frac{3\sqrt{5}\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2} + \sqrt{5}t} + (-1 - \sqrt{5}) e^{\frac{\sqrt{5}\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2}} \right)}{(5 + 2\sqrt{5}) e^{\pi + \frac{\sqrt{5}t}{2}} + (-5 + 2\sqrt{5}) e^{\pi + 2\sqrt{5}\pi + \frac{\sqrt{5}t}{2}} + 4\sqrt{5} e^{(1 + \sqrt{5})\pi + \frac{\sqrt{5}t}{2}} - 8\sqrt{5} e^{\sqrt{5}(\frac{t}{2} + \pi)}}$$

#### 1.4

The following Simulink model was created to simulate the system with the derived input

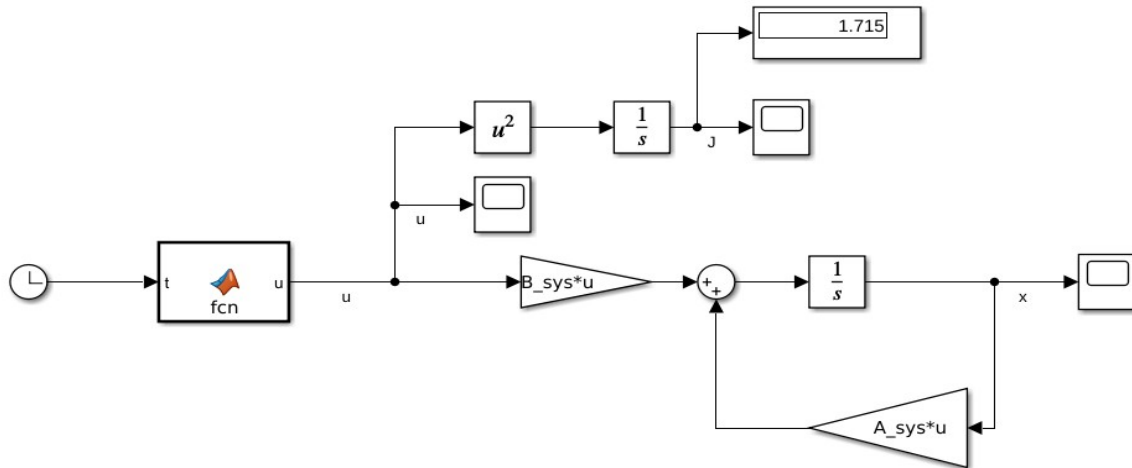


Figure 1: Simulink Model for Question 1

The system matrices were set as follows;

```
1  A_sys = [-1,1;1,0];
2  B_sys = [2;1];
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The function  $u(t)$  was generated automatically using the matlabFunction method in MATLAB which generates a MATLAB function from the symbolic function calculated before.

In terms of the initial conditions, we have the initial condition  $x_2(0)=0$  ; however, we saw that we don't have  $x_1(0)$  ; but we already found the function  $x_1(t)$  and by substituting  $t=0$  as follows

```
>> double(subs(x1s,t,0))
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We get that  $x_1(0)=-0.9243$

The results of the simulation in terms of  $x_1(t), x_2(t), u(t)$  and the cost function are shown in Figures 2,3,4.

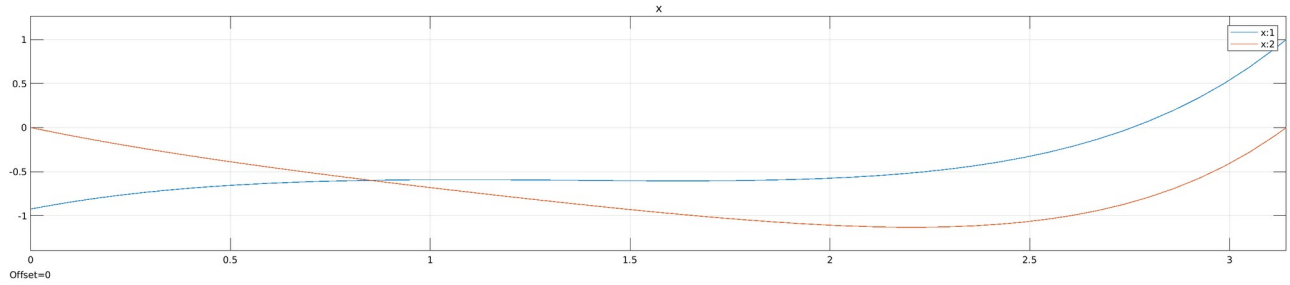


Figure 2: State ( $x$ )

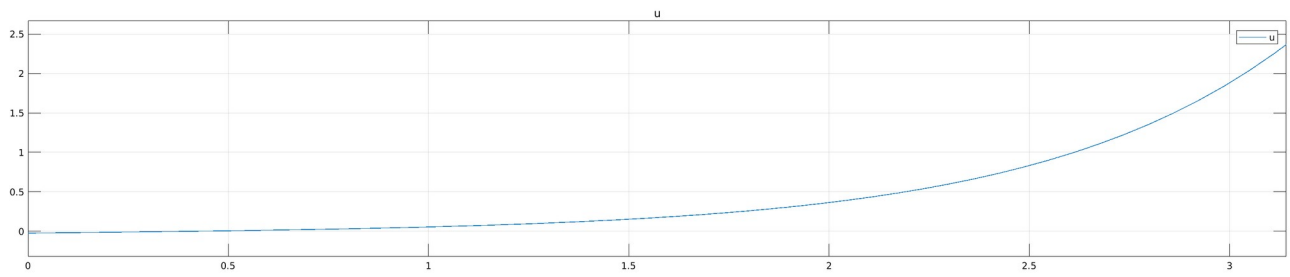


Figure 3: Input ( $u$ )

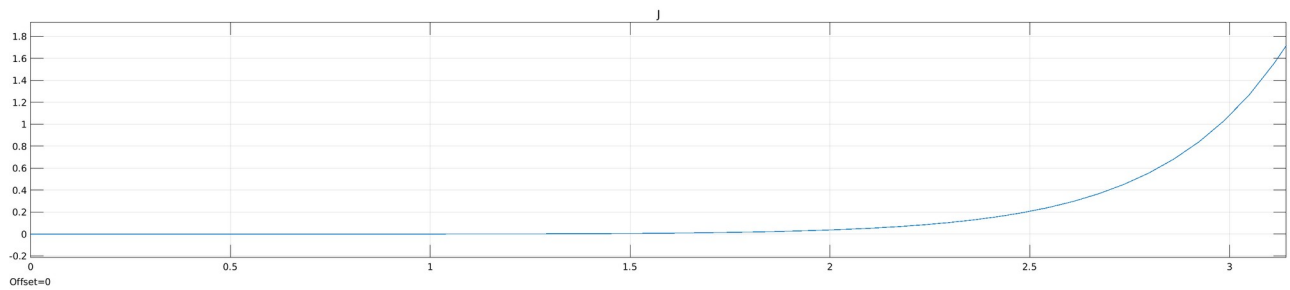


Figure 4: Cost Function ( $J$ )

We see that the the state variables satisfy the initial conditions where

$$x_2(0)=0, x_1(\pi)=1, x_2(\pi)=0$$

We see that the cost function  $J = \int_0^{\pi} u^2 = 1.715$

## Question 2:

### 2.1

First, we need to calculate the matrix  $P$  that satisfies the Riccati equation :

$$A^T P + P A + Q - P B r^{-1} B^T P = 0$$

We have the following values known

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} Q = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} r = 2$$

Therefore, the only variable in the former equation is  $P$  . The following MATLAB code was used to calculate  $P$  .

```
A = [-1,1;1,0];  
B = [2;1];  
Q = [3,0;0,5];  
R = 2;  
  
[K,P,poles] = lqr(A,B,Q,R);  
  
P
```

The result is:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8332 & 0.2977 \\ 0.2997 & 2.7498 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can check if the equation is satisfied, we use the following code

```
cond = A.'*P+P*A+Q -P*B*(R^-1)*B'*P ==0;  
assert(cond(1) ==0)  
assert(cond(2) ==0)  
assert(cond(3) ==0)  
assert(cond(4) ==0)
```

All conditions are satisfied ; therefore, the matrix  $P$  satisfies the Riccati equation.

### 2.2

The optimal gain can be calculated as:

$$K = r^{-1} B^T P = 0.5 * \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.8332 & 0.2977 \\ 0.2997 & 2.7498 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9821 & 1.6726 \end{bmatrix}$$

The same matrix was derived from the lqr function.

Therefore, the controller structure is:

$$u = -Kx = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9821 & 1.6726 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0.9821 x_1 + 1.6726 x_2$$

The following Simulink model was used:

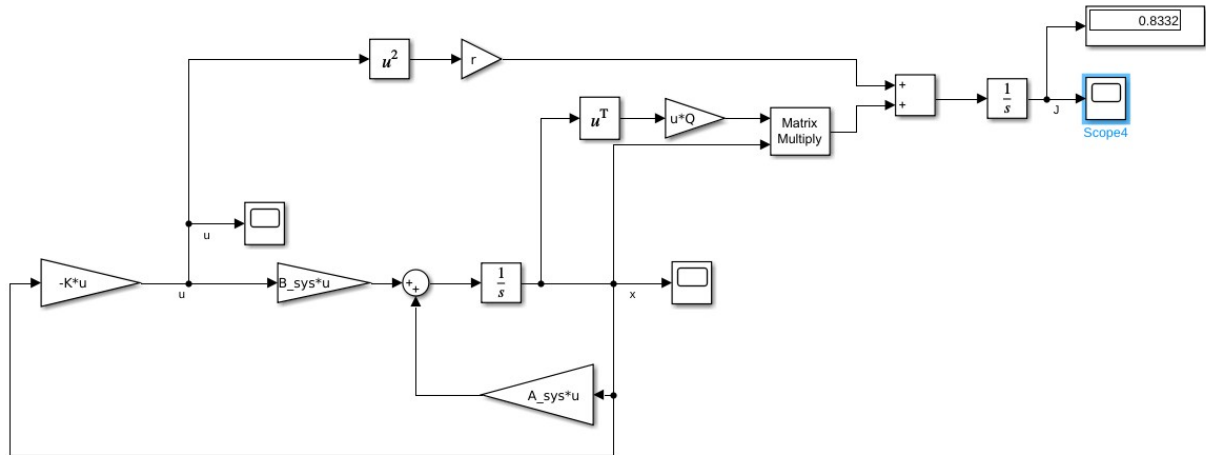


Figure 5: Simulink Model for Question 2

The system matrices and the control gain were defined as shown below

```

1  A_sys = [-1,1;1,0];
2  B_sys = [2;1];
3
4  K = [0.9821,1.6726];
5  r = 2;
6  Q = [3,0;0,5];

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The results  $x_1(t), x_2(t), u(t), J$  are shown in Figures 6,7,8.

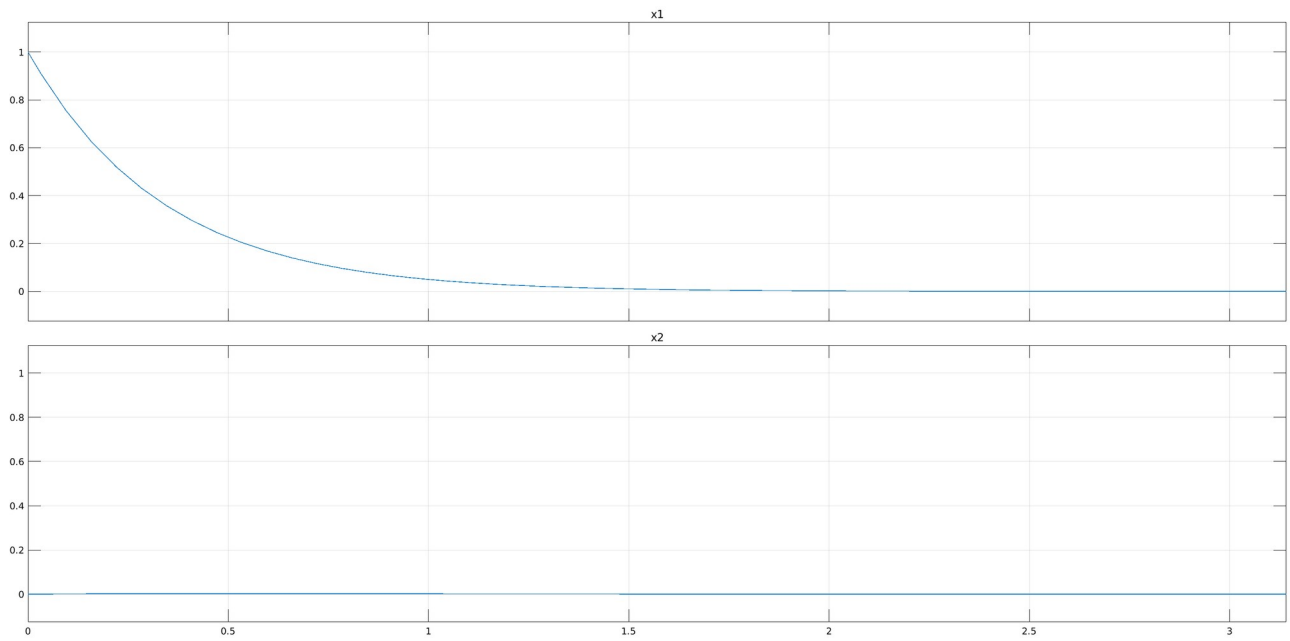


Figure 6: State  $x_1$  ,  $x_2$

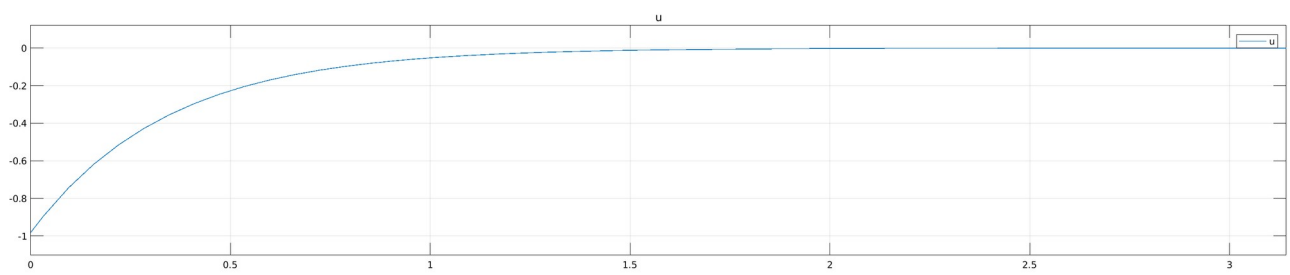


Figure 7: Control signal  $u$

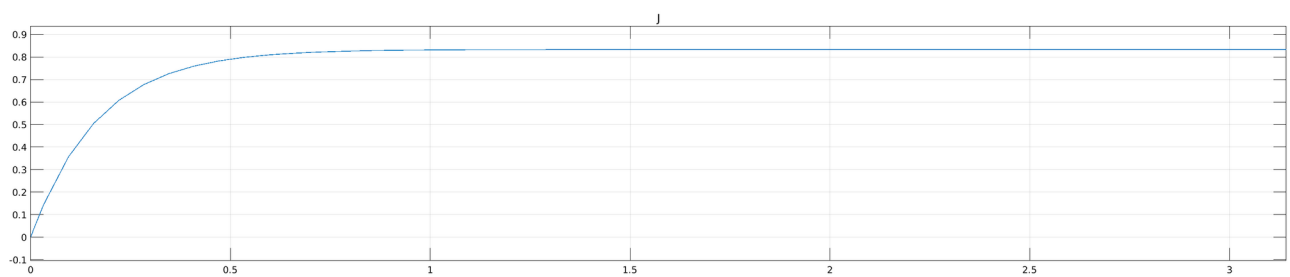


Figure 8: Cost function  $J$

We see that the steady state value of the cost function is **0.8332** .