ME 417 - Homework #3

Control of Mechanical Systems - Fall 2020

Homework Due: Sun, 14 Feb 2021 23:59

Complete the following problems and submit a hard copy of your solutions. You are encouraged to work together to discuss the problems but submitted work **MUST** be your own. This is an **individually** submitted assignment.

Problem 1

Root Locus Sketching (20pts)

For each of the following transfer functions, sketch a general shape root-locus, and include, as applicable, asymptote intercepts and angles

a.
$$G(s) = \frac{s+10}{s^2+3s+15}$$

b. $G(s) = \frac{s(s-5)}{(s+4)(2s^2+4s+4)}$
c. $G(s) = \frac{s^2+8s+40}{s(s-8)}$
d. $G(s) = \frac{(s-10)(s+8)}{s(s^2+2s+60)}$

Problem 2

Root Locus Sketching (20pts)

For the following open-loop transfer functions, sketch a refined root locus, compute any applicable break-away and break-in points as well as imaginary axis crossing. Highlight the range of K for which the system is stable.

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K for which the system is

a.
$$G(s) = \frac{2s+6}{s^2+10s+61}$$

b. $G(s) = \frac{s-8}{s(s+5)(s+8)}$

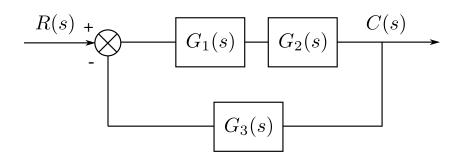
c. $G(s) = \frac{(s+20)(s+40)}{(s-20)(s-10)}$

d. $G(s) = \frac{(s-15)(s+10)}{s^2-8s+45}$

Problem 3

Root Locus Sketching (20pts)

Given the following feedback system



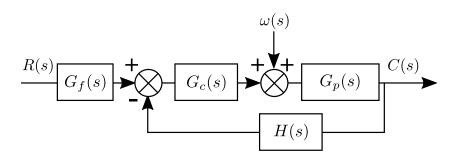
With
$$G_1 = s + z$$
, $G_2 = \frac{100}{s^2 + 4s + 20}$, $G_3 = \frac{20}{s + 10}$

- a. Derive the characteristic polynomial of the system in the form 1 + zG(s) = 0
- b. Sketch the root-locus of the system for varying values of the zero location z
- c. Find the value of z that makes the closed-loop system's damped frequency ω_d = 6.283185307179586rad/s

Problem 4

Root Locus Sketching (20pts)

A closed-loop system with input disturbance is shown.



With
$$G_p = \frac{2s+4}{(s-3)(s+6)}$$
, $H = \frac{3}{s+1}$, $G_f = 5$

a. Design a controller that results in a stable response with

$$-T_p = \frac{\pi}{4}s$$

- Zero Steady-State error

Is a second-order approximation valid? Justify. Hint: Choose a convenient constraint for ζ or $T_{\rm s}$

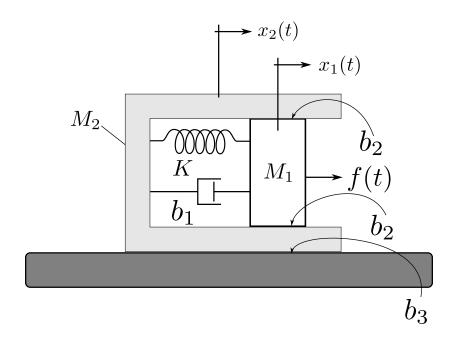
to simplify your calculations.

- b. Show that a steady-state error of the closed loop system, to a step input, is zero.
- c. Given your designed controller, derive the transfer function that relates the input r(t) to the controller output u(t)

Problem 5

Root Locus Sketching (20pts)

Given the mechanical system shown on the figure. You can use MATLAB to aid in long calculations and verify your work.



With $M_1 = 2kg$, $M_2 = 2kg$, $b_1 = 7N \cdot s/m$, $b_2 = 4N \cdot s/m$, $b_3 = 2N \cdot s/m$, K = 15N/m

- a. Derive the equations of motion for the system
- b. Find the transfer function relating the input f(t) to $x_2(t)$, $G_2(s) = \frac{X_2(s)}{f(s)}$
- c. Analyze the stability of the system $G_2(s)$
- d. Design a feedback controller, using root-locus technique, around G_2 to achieve
- Zero Steady-State error
- $-T_s = 0.5s$
- $-\zeta = 0.5$

Justify if the system can be approximated as second order.

- e. Derive the transfer function relating the reference r(t) to $x_2(t)$
- f. Derive the transfer function relating the reference r(t) to $x_1(t)$, with the feedback system derived above.