

## MODULE 14 — Practice Assignment

### Problem 1

Solve the following 9th Edition textbook problems:

- 10-18 (a,c,f)
- 10-59 (a)

(10-18) Check the controllability of the following systems:

$$(a) \quad \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} u$$

The controllability matrix (determined using MATLAB) is:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}_c &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 5 & -10 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The rank of  $\mathbf{Q}_c$  determined using the `rank()` function in MATLAB is:

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{Q}_c) = 2$$

Since the  $n \times n$  controllability matrix has a rank of  $n$ , the system is controllable.

→ Answer

$$(c) \quad \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The controllability matrix (determined using MATLAB) is:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}_c &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{b} & \mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & -4 & -2 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & -6 & 0 & 12 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

We know that, for controllability, the controllability matrix  $\mathbf{Q}_c$  **must be square**. Since it is not, we know **the system is not controllable**.

→ Answer

Regardless, we can still check the rank of  $\mathbf{Q}_c$  using the `rank()` function in MATLAB:

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{Q}_c) = 2$$

This confirms the above conclusion.

$$(f) \quad \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \\ \dot{x}_4 \\ \dot{x}_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u$$

The controllability matrix (determined using MATLAB) is:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}_c &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{b} & \mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{b} & \mathbf{A}^3\mathbf{b} & \mathbf{A}^4\mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -6 & 9 & -14 & 24 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 & -4 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 4 & -8 & 16 \\ 3 & -15 & 75 & -375 & 1875 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

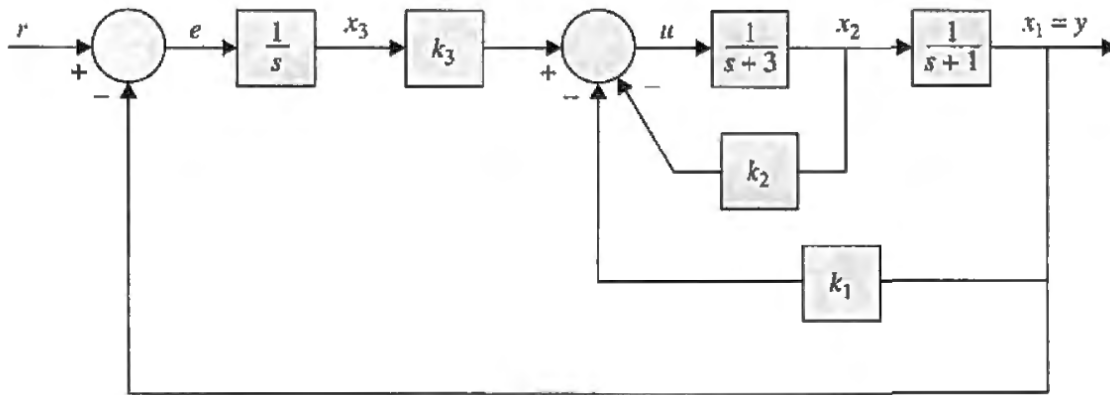
The rank of  $\mathbf{Q}_c$  determined using the `rank()` function in MATLAB is:

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{Q}_c) = 4$$

Since the  $n \times n$  controllability matrix does not have a rank of  $n$  ( $n = 5, n \neq 4$ ), the system is not controllable.

→ Answer

(10-59) The block diagram of a control system with state feedback is shown in the following figure. The feedback gains  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$ , and  $k_3$  are real constants.



(a) Find the values of the feedback gains so that:

- The steady-state error  $e_{ss}$  [ $e(t)$  is the error signal] due to a step input is zero.
- The characteristic equation roots are at  $-1 + j$ ,  $-1 - j$ , and  $-10$ .

If we reduce the block diagram to a unity feedback system, we get that the forward path transfer function,  $G(s)$  is:

$$G(s) = \frac{k_3}{s^3 + (k_2 + 4)s^2 + (k_1 + k_2 + 3)s}$$

The closed loop transfer function is:

$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)} = \frac{k_3}{s^3 + (k_2 + 4)s^2 + (k_1 + k_2 + 3)s + k_3}$$

For  $e_{ss}$  to be zero, when the input is a step function,  $K_p$  must be infinite:

$$K_p = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s) = \frac{k_3}{s^3 + (k_2 + 4)s^2 + (k_1 + k_2 + 3)s} = \infty$$

Since all values in the denominator multiply by  $s$ ,  **$e_{ss}$  is zero for all values of  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$ , and  $k_3$**  since:

$$e_{ss} = \frac{R}{1 + K_p} = \frac{R}{1 + \infty} = 0$$

→ Answer

The characteristic equation is:

$$\text{CE: } s^3 + (k_2 + 4)s^2 + (k_1 + k_2 + 3)s + k_3 = 0$$

And we want the characteristic equation roots to be  $-1 + j$ ,  $-1 - j$ , and  $-10$ . We make the following equivalence:

$$s^3 + (k_2 + 4)s^2 + (k_1 + k_2 + 3)s + k_3 = s^3 + 12s^2 + 22s + 20$$

If we equate like terms of  $s$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (k_2 + 4) &= 12 && \rightarrow k_2 = 8 \\ (k_1 + k_2 + 3) &= 22 && \rightarrow k_1 = 11 \\ k_3 &= 20 && \rightarrow k_3 = 20 \end{aligned}$$

Find the values of the feedback gains are:

$$\begin{aligned} k_1 &= 11 \\ k_2 &= 8 \\ k_3 &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

→ Answer

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