

Assignment 1 : Linear systems (EE 6417:Allied Topics Control)

1. Consider a simple pendulum of length L and let m be the mass attached at the end of the pendulum. The equation of motion is given by:

$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{L} \sin\theta + \frac{k}{M} \dot{\theta} = 0$$

Let k be the coefficient of friction at pivot point and g be the gravity.

- 1) Linearize the equations of the motion about the equilibrium points.
 - 2) Obtain the state space representation of the system. The output of the system is the angle θ .
2. Consider the following differential equation of a system
 $\ddot{x}(t) + 3\dot{x}(t) + 3x(t) + x(t) = \ddot{u}(t) + 2\dot{u}(t) + 4u(t) + u(t)$.
 Find the state space representation of the system and also obtain a block diagram representation of the system.
 3. Obtain the state variable representation and the block diagram for the following transfer function:

$$T(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{s^2 + 2s + 10}{s^3 + 4s^2 + 6s + 10}$$

4. Compute the Jordan normal form for the following matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

5. Consider the following state and output equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 1 & 0 \\ -11 & 0 & 1 \\ -6 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} u \text{ and } y = [1 \ 0 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

Show that the state equation and the output equation can be transformed into the following form by a suitable transformation matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{z}_1 \\ \dot{z}_2 \\ \dot{z}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -6 \\ 1 & 0 & -11 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ z_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u$$

Then obtain y in terms of z_1 , z_2 and z_3 .

6. Prove the following properties of matrix exponentials:

1) If $A = \text{diag}\{a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{nn}\}$ then $e^A = \text{diag}\{e^{a_{11}}, e^{a_{22}}, \dots, e^{a_{nn}}\}$
Compute e^{At} , given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2) If B is any $n \times n$ matrix and Q be any non-singular matrix then

$$e^{Q^{-1}BQ} = Q^{-1}e^BQ$$

3) $e^A e^B = e^{(A+B)}$, iff $AB = BA$.

7. Given the system equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Find the solution in terms of initial conditions $x_1(0)$, $x_2(0)$ and $x_3(0)$.