

2<sup>nd</sup> Assignment:  
**Single-input single-output (SISO) systems**

1. Which methods are available in robust control theory for modeling uncertainty?
2. What is an uncertainty weighting function  $W(s)$ ? How does it look like and how can it be determined?
3. What is a performance weighting function  $W_p(s)$ ? How does it look like?
4. Consider the plant transfer function

$$G(s) = \frac{2}{5s+1} e^{-Ts}.$$

where the delay  $0 \leq T \leq 2.5$  sec. For controller design, it is simplest and sometimes best to use a delay-free nominal model of the plant and to represent the nominal delay as additional uncertainty. Therefore, the nominal plant transfer function is chosen as

$$G_0(s) = \frac{2}{5s+1}.$$

Derive a multiplicative dynamic uncertainty model of the given plant!

5. A robot has been designed to aid in hip-replacement surgery. The device, called RoBoDoc, is used to precisely orient and mill the femoral cavity for acceptance of the prosthetic hip implant. Clearly, we want a very robust surgical tool control, because there is no opportunity to re-drill a bone. The control system follows the standard feedback control with the plant transfer function given by

$$G(s) = \frac{b}{s^2 + as + b}$$

where  $1 \leq a \leq 2$  and  $4 \leq b \leq 12$ . The system is controlled by the following controller

$$K(s) = 52.96 \frac{s^2 + 1.5s + 8}{s(s^2 + 20s + 101)}.$$

- Derive an uncertainty model for the given system!
- Check if the given controller satisfies the common rules of thumb for phase and gain margins!
- Investigate the nominal and robust stability of the closed-loop system!
- Does the given controller guarantee a closed-loop bandwidth  $\omega_B = 1$  rad/sec, a sensitivity function with  $M_s = \sqrt{2}$  and a slope  $-1$  below the bandwidth?

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