

Solutions of Problem set 3

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Linear quadratic regulation

Problem 1.1 We can apply HJB with

$$A = -a = -1, B = 1, Q = 1, R = \gamma = 0.1, S = 0, Q_T = 0 \quad (1)$$

We first find the solution $P(t)$ from the nonlinear differential equation

$$P(T) = Q_T = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\dot{P}(t) = -(P(t)A + A^\top P(t) - (P(t)B + S)R^{-1}(B^\top P(t) + S^\top) + Q) = 2P(t) + 10P(t)^2 - 1 \quad (3)$$

and then compute the policy

$$u(t) = K(t)x(t) \quad (4)$$

$$K(t) = -R^{-1}(B^\top P(t) + S^\top) = -10P(t) \quad (5)$$

To solve the nonlinear differential equation we note that

$$\dot{P}(t) = (2P(t) + 10P(t)^2 - 1)$$

is equivalent to

$$\frac{1}{(2P(t) + 10P(t)^2 - 1)} \dot{P}(t) = 1$$

which in turn is equivalent to

$$\frac{d}{dt}g(P(t)) = 1 \quad (6)$$

where $g(p)$ is a primitive of $1/(2p + 10p^2 - 1)$, which using Matlab (int.m) is given by

$$g(p) = -\frac{\operatorname{atanh}\left(\frac{10p+1}{\sqrt{11}}\right)}{\sqrt{11}}$$

where atanh is the inverse of the function $\tanh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$.

Integrating on both sides of (6) we obtain

$$\frac{\operatorname{atanh}\left(\frac{10P(t)+1}{\sqrt{11}}\right)}{\sqrt{11}} = a - t \quad (7)$$

where a is a constant. This constant is obtain from the boundary condition $P(t) = 0$ when $t = 10$. Thus

$$a = 10 + \frac{\operatorname{atanh} \frac{(1)}{\sqrt{(11)}}}{\sqrt{11}}.$$

From (7) we obtain

$$p(t) = \frac{\sqrt{11} \tanh(\sqrt{11}(a - t)) - 1}{10}$$

(ii) The infinite horizon solution is given by

$$0 = -(PA + A^\top P - (PB + S)R^{-1}(B^\top P + S^\top) + Q) = 2P + 10P^2 - 1 \quad (8)$$

$$P = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{(2^2 - 4 * 10 * -1)}}{2 * 10} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{44}}{20} \quad (9)$$

The solution should be positive, thus $P = \frac{-2 + \sqrt{44}}{20}$ and $K = \frac{2 - \sqrt{44}}{2}$

Problem 1.2 Standard linear quadratic regulation problem with $A = a = -\frac{3}{2}$, $A = b = 3$, $Q = q = 4$, $R = r = 9$. The optimal policy is

$$u(t) = k(t)x(t)$$

where

$$k(t) = -\frac{b}{r}p(t) = -\frac{1}{3}p(t)$$

and $p(t)$ satisfies the continuous-time Riccati equation

$$\dot{p}(t) = -(2ap(t) + q - p(t)^2 \frac{b^2}{r}) = p(t)^2 - 3p(t) - 4 = (p(t) - 1)(p(t) + 4)$$

with terminal constraint $p(1) = 0$ (since the terminal cost is zero). Using the suggestion

$$p(t) = \frac{4ce^{5t} + 1}{1 - ce^{5t}}$$

and imposing $p(1) = 0$ we obtain $4ce^5 + 1 = 0 \rightarrow c = -\frac{1}{4}e^{-5}$ from which we conclude

$$u(t) = -\frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{-e^{5(t-1)} + 1}{1 + \frac{1}{4}e^{5(t-1)}} \right) x(t) \quad t \in [0, 1)$$

Problem 1.3 Not provided.

Problem 1.4 (i) Standard LQR problem with $A = 1$, $B = 1$, $Q = 1$, $R = 1$

$$u(t) = Kx(t)$$

where

$$K = -R^{-1}B^\top P = -P$$

where P satisfies the algebraic Riccati equation

$$0 = A^\top P + PA + Q - PBR^{-1}B^\top P$$

which in this case is equivalent to

$$0 = 2P + 1 - P^2.$$

The roots are $P = 1 + \sqrt{2}$ and $P = 1 - \sqrt{2}$, thus we take the positive one $P = 1 + \sqrt{2}$.

The cost is then

$$px_0^2 = (1 + \sqrt{2})x_0^2$$

. (ii) Euler method

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + \tau(x_k + u_k) = (1 + \tau)x_k + \tau u_k$$

and the zero order approximation is

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \tau x_k^2 + \tau u_k^2.$$

Obtaining the optimal control policy is a standard problem solved with the algebraic Riccati equation (discrete-time)

$$0 = A^T P A - P + Q - (A^T P B)(B^T P B + R)^{-1}(B^T P A)$$

In this case we have $A = (1 + \tau)$, $B = \tau$, $Q = \tau$, $R = \tau$. Thus we need to solve

$$0 = (1 + \tau)^2 P - P + \tau - \frac{((1 + \tau)P\tau)^2}{P\tau^2 + \tau}$$

This is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (\tau - P)(P\tau^2 + \tau) + \tau(1 + \tau)^2 P \\ 0 &= \tau - (1 + \tau^2)P - P^2\tau + (1 + \tau)^2 P \\ 0 &= 1 + 2P - P^2 \end{aligned}$$

The roots are $P = 1 + \sqrt{2}$ and $P = 1 - \sqrt{2}$, thus we take the positive one $P = 1 + \sqrt{2}$. The optimal policy is

$$u_k = Kx_k$$

where

$$K = -\frac{(1 + \tau)P\tau}{P\tau^2 + \tau} = -\frac{(1 + \tau)P}{P\tau + 1}$$

The cost is then the same as in the continuous-time case.

$$x_0^2 P = x_0^2 (1 + \sqrt{2}).$$

(iii) The cost is the same and taking the limit as $\tau \rightarrow 0$ we obtain

$$K = -\frac{(1 + \tau)P}{P\tau + 1} \rightarrow -P = -(1 + \sqrt{2})$$

which is the same as in the continuous-time case.

Problem 1.5 Not provided.

Linear systems with terminal state constraints

Problem 2.1

i.

Define $X = (x, v)$ then the state space model will be

$$\dot{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} X + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u \quad (10)$$

Cost parameters are

$$Q = 0, \quad S = 0, \quad R = 1 \quad (11)$$

The Hamiltonian

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & \alpha \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

for $\alpha = 0$,

$$e^{Ht} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & \frac{t^3}{6} & -\frac{t^2}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{t^2}{2} & -t \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow e^H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (13)$$

Then defining $\Lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X(t) \\ \Lambda(t) \end{bmatrix} = e^{Ht} \begin{bmatrix} X(0) \\ \Lambda(0) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} X(1) \\ \Lambda(1) \end{bmatrix} = e^H \begin{bmatrix} X(0) \\ \Lambda(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

For $v(1) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{6}\lambda_1(0) - \frac{1}{2}\lambda_2(0) &= 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}\lambda_1(0) - \lambda_2(0) &= 0 \end{aligned} \rightarrow \lambda_1(0) = -12, \quad \lambda_2(0) = -6$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= 3t^2 - 2t^3 \\ v(t) &= 6t - 6t^2 \\ u(t) &= 6 - 12t \end{aligned}$$

For $v(1) = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{6}\lambda_1(0) - \frac{1}{2}\lambda_2(0) &= 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}\lambda_1(0) - \lambda_2(0) &= 1 \end{aligned} \rightarrow \lambda_1(0) = -6, \quad \lambda_2(0) = -4$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= 2t^2 - t^3 \\ v(t) &= 4t - 3t^2 \\ u(t) &= 4 - 6t \end{aligned}$$

ii.

For $\alpha = 0.5$

$$e^{Ht} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 - 2e^{-t/2} & 4e^{t/2} - 4e^{-t/2} - 4t & 4 - 2e^{t/2} - 2e^{-t/2} \\ 0 & e^{-t/2} & 2e^{-t/2} + 2e^{t/2} - 4 & e^{-t/2} - e^{t/2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 - 2e^{t/2} & e^{t/2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$

$$e^H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 - 2e^{-1/2} & 4e^{1/2} - 4e^{-1/2} - 4 & 4 - 2e^{1/2} - 2e^{-1/2} \\ 0 & e^{-1/2} & 2e^{-1/2} + 2e^{1/2} - 4 & e^{-1/2} - e^{1/2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 - 2e^{1/2} & e^{1/2} \end{bmatrix}$$

For $v(1) = 0$

$$(4e^{1/2} - 4e^{-1/2} - 4)\lambda_1(0) + (4 - 2e^{1/2} - 2e^{-1/2})\lambda_2(0) = 1$$

$$(2e^{-1/2} + 2e^{1/2} - 4)\lambda_1(0) + (e^{-1/2} - e^{1/2})\lambda_2(0) = 0$$

$$\lambda_1(0) = \frac{e^{1/2} + 1}{12e^{1/2} - 20}$$

$$\lambda_2(0) = \frac{e^{1/2} - 1}{6e^{1/2} - 10}$$

Hence,

$$x(t) = \frac{e^{1/2} + 1}{12e^{1/2} - 20}(4e^{t/2} - 4e^{-t/2} - 4t) + \frac{e^{1/2} - 1}{6e^{1/2} - 10}(4 - 2e^{t/2} - 2e^{-t/2})$$

$$v(t) = \frac{e^{1/2} + 1}{12e^{1/2} - 20}(2e^{-t/2} + 2e^{t/2} - 4) + \frac{e^{1/2} - 1}{6e^{1/2} - 10}(e^{-t/2} - e^{t/2})$$

$$u(t) = -\frac{e^{1/2} - 2e^{t/2} + 1}{6e^{1/2} - 10}$$

iii.

(a) Find $\Lambda(0)$ in terms of $X(0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{6}\lambda_1(0) - \frac{1}{2}\lambda_2(0) + x(0) + v(0) &= 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}\lambda_1(0) - \lambda_2(0) + v(0) &= 0 \end{aligned} \rightarrow \begin{aligned} \lambda_1(0) &= -12 + 12x(0) + 6v(0) \\ \lambda_2(0) &= -6 + 6x(0) + 4v(0) \end{aligned}$$

since $S = 0$,

$$u(t) = -R^{-1}B^T\Lambda(t) = -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Lambda(0)$$

$$= 6 - 12t + 6(2t - 1)x(0) + (6t - 4)v(0) \quad (15)$$

(b)

$$\begin{bmatrix} X(t) \\ \Lambda(t) \end{bmatrix} = e^{H(t-s)} \begin{bmatrix} X(s) \\ \Lambda(s) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} X(1) \\ \Lambda(1) \end{bmatrix} = e^{H(1-s)} \begin{bmatrix} X(s) \\ \Lambda(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$e^{H(1-s)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (1-s) & \frac{(1-s)^3}{6} & -\frac{(1-s)^2}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{(1-s)^2}{2} & -(1-s) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -(1-s) & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{(1-s)^3}{6}\lambda_1(s) - \frac{(1-s)^2}{2}\lambda_2(s) + x(s) + (1-s)v(s) &= 1 \\ \frac{(1-s)^2}{2}\lambda_1(s) - (1-s)\lambda_2(s) + v(s) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

which results in

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_1(s) &= -\frac{12}{(1-s)^3} + \frac{12}{(1-s)^3}x(s) + \frac{6}{(1-s)^2}v(s) \\ \lambda_2(s) &= -\frac{6}{(1-s)^2} + \frac{6}{(1-s)^2}x(s) + \frac{4}{1-s}v(s)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}u(t) &= -R^{-1}B^T\Lambda(t) = -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -(t-s) & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Lambda(s) \\ &= \frac{6}{(1-s)^2} \left(\frac{-2(t-s)}{1-s} + 1 \right) + \frac{6}{(1-s)^2} \left(\frac{2(t-s)}{1-s} - 1 \right) x(s) \\ &\quad + \frac{2}{1-s} \left(\frac{3(t-s)}{1-s} - 2 \right) v(s) \quad (16)\end{aligned}$$

- (c) A policy is a function which maps states to the first action of the optimal path which leads to the last stage. Thus the optimal policy is obtained by making $t = s$, i.e., $u(t) = \mu(t, x(t), v(t))$ where

$$\mu(t, x, v) = \frac{6}{(1-t)^2} - \frac{6}{(1-t)^2}x - \frac{4}{1-t}v$$

Problem 2.2 We have a continuous-time optimal control problem. In particular we have a linear system and quadratic cost without a final constraint. We aim to find the optimal input $u(t)$ for $t \in [0, T]$ for a finite horizon cost for $T = 5$.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, Q = \text{diag}([1, 2]), R = 10, S = 0, Q_T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (17)$$

We use PMP to compute the solution. Minimizing

$$\int_0^5 x_1(t)^2 + 2x_2(t)^2 + 10u(t)^2 + 10x_1(5)^2$$

is equivalent to minimizing

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^5 x_1(t)^2 + 2x_2(t)^2 + 10u(t)^2 + 10x_1(5)^2.$$

From the derivations of Lecture 6 we can conclude that the optimal input and the associated state and co-state are given by

$$\dot{\lambda}(t) = -A^\top \lambda(t) - Qx(t) \quad (18)$$

$$\lambda(T) = Q_T x(T) \quad (19)$$

$$u(t) = -R^{-1}B^\top \lambda(t) \quad (20)$$

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t) \quad (21)$$

The boundary conditions are

$$x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^\top \quad \lambda(T) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} 1/2 x^\top Q_T x|_{x=x(T)} = \begin{bmatrix} 10x_1(T) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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clear all
Ac = [2 1;0 1];
Bc = [0;1];
Qc = [1 0; 0 2];
Rc = 10;
QT = [10 0;0 0];
T = 5;
x0 = [1 2]';
n = size(Ac,2);
H = expm( [Ac -Bc*inv(Rc)*Bc';-Qc -Ac']*T);
H11 = H(1:n,1:n); H12 = H(1:n,n+1:2*n);
H21 = H(n+1:2*n,1:n); H22 = H(n+1:2*n,n+1:2*n);
% 2 obtain lambda0
% [I;QT]*T = [H11;H21]*x0 + [H12;H22]*lambda0
xTlambda0 = [eye(size(Ac)) -H12;QT -H22]\([H11;H21]*x0);

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Figure 1: Matlab code to answer Problem 2.2

Then, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{\lambda} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A & -BR^{-1}B^\top \\ -Q & -A^\top \end{bmatrix}}_H \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}. \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(T) \\ x_2(T) \\ 10x_1(T) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = e^{HT} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \\ \lambda_1(0) \\ \lambda_2(0) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1(T) \\ x_2(T) \\ \lambda_1(0) \\ \lambda_2(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -h13 & -h14 \\ 0 & 1 & -h23 & -h24 \\ 10 & 0 & -h33 & -h34 \\ 0 & 0 & -h43 & -h44 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} h11 & h12 \\ h21 & h22 \\ h31 & h32 \\ h41 & h42 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix} \quad (23)$$

We can compute by filling in $T = 5$, $x_1(0) = 1$, $x_2(0) = 2$, and using Matlab (see Figure 1 we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(T) \\ x_2(T) \\ \lambda_1(0) \\ \lambda_2(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0122 \\ -1.7237 \\ 631.7717 \\ 245.7611 \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

The optimal input is given by

$$u(t) = -R^{-1}B^\top \lambda(t) = -\frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \lambda(t)$$

where

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \lambda_1(t) \\ \lambda_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = e^{Ht} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \\ \lambda_1(0) \\ \lambda_2(0) \end{bmatrix} \quad (25)$$

Problem 2.3 [see also written solutions to Sample Exam 1 Y14-15 Problem 6]

$$\min \int_0^2 u(t)^2 dt + 10x_1(2)$$

is equivalent to

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^2 u(t)^2 dt + 10x_1(2)^2 \right)$$

which can be written in the form

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^2 x(t)^\top Q x(t) + u(t)^\top R u(t) dt + x(2)^\top Q_T x(2) \right)$$

with $Q = 0$, $R = 1$, $Q_T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ for

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

From PMP, we know that

$$u(t) = -R^{-1}B^\top \lambda(t)$$

where the co-state satisfies

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}(t) \\ \dot{\lambda}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A & -BR^{-1}B^\top \\ -Q & -A^\top \end{bmatrix}}_H \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ \lambda(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

The boundary conditions are $x_2(2) = 0$, $x(0) = [1, 1]^\top$, $\lambda_1(2) = \frac{d}{dx_1} \frac{1}{2} 10x_1^2 \Big|_{x_1=x_1(2)} = 10x_1(2)$.

So $\lambda(0)$, $\lambda_2(2)$, $x_1(2)$ are free/unknown. To obtain $x(t)$ and $\lambda(t)$, we impose the boundary conditions in

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(2) \\ \lambda(2) \end{bmatrix} = e^{H2} \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ \lambda(0) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Finding $\lambda(0)$ is sufficient to obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ \lambda(t) \end{bmatrix} = e^{Ht} \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ \lambda(0) \end{bmatrix}.$$

We can use the suggestion to compute e^{Ht} since H has the upper triangular structure for $Q = 0$. Furthermore, e^{At} again has the upper triangular structure and we can use the suggestion again.

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-3t} & \frac{1}{2}(e^{-t} - e^{-3t}) \\ 0 & e^{-t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^{-A^\top t} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}(e^t - e^{3t}) & e^t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\int_0^t e^{-As} BR^{-1}B^\top e^{A^\top s} ds = \int_0^t \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(e^s - e^{3s}) \\ e^{-s} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(e^s - e^{3s}) & e^s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{8}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{8}e^{4t} + \frac{1}{24}e^{6t} - \frac{1}{24} & \frac{1}{4}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{8}e^{4t} - \frac{1}{8} \\ \frac{1}{4}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{8}e^{4t} - \frac{1}{8} & \frac{1}{2}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

In numerical values (also by numerical integration) we find

$$e^{A2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.002478 & 0.06643 \\ 0 & 0.1353 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\int_0^2 e^{-As} BR^{-1}B^\top e^{A^\top s} ds = \int_0^2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(e^s - e^{3s}) \\ e^{-s} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(e^s - e^{3s}) & e^s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3208 & 179.5 \\ 179.5 & -13.400 \end{bmatrix}$$

We multiply the integral by e^{A2} and we get

$$e^{H2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.002478 & 0.06643 & 3.9757 & 0.445 \\ 0 & 0.1353 & 24.299 & -1.8134 \\ 0 & 0 & 403.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 198.02 & 7.39 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now first solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(2) \\ 0 \\ 10x_1(2) \\ \lambda_2(2) \end{bmatrix} = e^{H2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \lambda_1(0) \\ \lambda_2(0) \end{bmatrix}.$$

to find $x_1(2) = \frac{1}{10}403.4\lambda_1(0)$. Thus, we need to solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{10}403.4\lambda_1(0) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.002478 & 0.06643 & 3.9757 & 0.445 \\ 0 & 0.1353 & 24.299 & -1.8134 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \lambda_1(0) \\ \lambda_2(0) \end{bmatrix}.$$

and solve the set of equations (bring all terms with λ to left side and the rest to the right and multiply the matrix inverse of the left and side) to find

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1(0) \\ \lambda_2(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0008434 \\ 0.8593 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now from

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ \lambda(t) \end{bmatrix} = e^{Ht} \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ \lambda(0) \end{bmatrix}.$$

we have that $\lambda(t) = e^{-A^\top t} \lambda(0) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{3t} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}(e^t - e^{3t}) & e^t \end{bmatrix} \lambda(0)$

Since

$$u(t) = -R^{-1}B^\top \lambda(t) = -\lambda_2(t) = -\frac{1}{2}(e^t - e^{3t})0.0008434 - e^t 0.8593$$

is the optimal control input.

Problem 2.4 [Problem 2.5, see also written solutions to Sample Exam 2 Y14-15 Problem 5]

Standard problem in scalar form $a = 3, b = 1, q = 7, r = 1$, without terminal cost.

Optimal control is given by $u(t) = -r^{-1}b^\top \lambda(t)$. For

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}(t) \\ \dot{\lambda}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a & -b^2 r^{-1} \\ -q & -a \end{bmatrix}}_H \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ \lambda(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

We find the Hamiltonian and its eigendecomposition

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -7 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = [v_1 \ v_2] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} [v_1 \ v_2]^{-1}$$

with eigenvalues $\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{3-3 \pm \sqrt{(3-3)^2 - 4((-3)3-7)}}{2} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{64}}{2} = \pm 4$. $\lambda_1 = 4, \lambda_2 = -4$ and eigenvectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{7} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then

$$e^{Ht} = [v_1 \ v_2] \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_2 t} \end{bmatrix} [v_1 \ v_2]^{-1}$$

where

$$[v_1 \ v_2]^{-1} = \frac{1}{-1 - \frac{1}{7}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{7} \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

With boundary conditions $x(0) = 1, x(1) = 0$ we can solve the top equation of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(1) \\ \lambda(1) \end{bmatrix} = e^{H1} \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ \lambda(0) \end{bmatrix}.$$

where $x(1)$ and $x(0)$ are known, to find

$$\lambda(0) = 7.0027.$$

The bottom equation of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ \lambda(t) \end{bmatrix} = e^{Ht} \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ \lambda(0) \end{bmatrix}.$$

provides then the exact solution to $\lambda(t)$ which is use in the optimal input

$$u(t) = -r^{-1}b^\top \lambda(t) = -\lambda(t) = -7e^{-4*s}/8 + 7e^{4*s}/8 - (7e^{-4*s}/8 + e^{4*s}/8)7.0027$$

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Pontryagin's maximum principle, minimum time optimal control problems

Problem 3.1 [see also the slides 29-31 of III_2]

$$\begin{aligned} f(t, x(t), u(t)) &= A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t) \\ g(t, x(t), u(t)) &= x(t)^\top Q(t)x(t) + u(t)^\top Ru(t) \\ g_T(x(T)) &= x(T)^\top Q_T x(T) \end{aligned}$$

The Hamiltonian is given by

$$H(t, x(t), u(t), \lambda(t)) = \lambda(t)^\top f(\cdot) + g(\cdot)$$

Since Q_T is diagonal, the boundary condition for the final costates are given by

$$\lambda_j(T) = \frac{\partial(\frac{1}{2}q_j x_j^2)}{\partial x_j} \Big|_{x=x(T)} = q_j x_j(T).$$

Since all time-varying parameters are dependent on t but not on u, x, λ , all derivatives of the Hamiltonian w.r.t. u, x, λ are the same for the time-varying case as for the time-invariant case in the slides (apart from the notation with ' t ').

Problem 3.2 Solution not provided.

Problem 3.3

(i) (a) For

$$\xi = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ v_x \\ v_y \end{bmatrix}, \quad u = \begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{bmatrix},$$

The dynamics and cost function are given by

$$f(\xi, u) = \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ a_x \\ a_y \end{bmatrix}, \quad g(\xi, u) = \gamma \left(\begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{bmatrix} - 1 \right), \quad g_T(\xi) = -x(T).$$

The Hamiltonian is given by

$$\lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_x \\ \lambda_y \\ \lambda_{v_x} \\ \lambda_{v_y} \end{bmatrix}, \quad H(\xi, u, \lambda) = \lambda^\top f(\xi, u) + g(\xi, u).$$

We are given that

$$\xi(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \xi(T) = \begin{bmatrix} \text{free} \\ h = 1 \\ \text{free} \\ 0 \text{ (path parallel to x-axis)} \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the free variables $x(T), v_x(T)$, we use that

$$\lambda_x(T) = \left[\frac{\partial g_T(\xi)}{\partial x} \right]_{\xi=\xi(T)}^\top = -1.$$

$$\lambda_{v_x}(T) = \left[\frac{\partial g_T(\xi)}{\partial v_x} \right]_{\xi=\xi(T)}^\top = 0.$$

Also, we have that the optimal input $\begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{bmatrix}$ satisfies

$$0 = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial u} H \right]^\top = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^\top \lambda + 2\gamma \begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{bmatrix} \implies u = \begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{bmatrix} = \frac{-1}{2\gamma} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^\top \lambda = \frac{-1}{2\gamma} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{v_x} \\ \lambda_{v_y} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now we have all constraints.

Now we consider the dynamics of the co-state

$$\dot{\lambda}(t) = - \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} H \right]^\top = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -\lambda_x \\ -\lambda_y \end{bmatrix}$$

which can be integrated to find

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_x(t) \\ \lambda_y(t) \\ \lambda_{v_x}(t) \\ \lambda_{v_y}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ -c_1 t + c_3 \\ -c_2 t + c_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

where c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 are to be determined.

From the terminal constraints, we directly determine that

$$c_1 = \lambda_x(T) = -1 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 = \lambda_{v_x}(T) = -c_1 T + c_3 = 3 + c_3 \implies c_3 = -3.$$

From the system dynamics with optimal input, we find that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{y} \\ \dot{v}_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_y \\ \frac{-1}{2\gamma} \lambda_{v_y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_y \\ \frac{c_2 t - c_4}{2\gamma} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Integrating this gives

$$v_y(t) = \frac{1}{2\gamma} \left(\frac{c_2}{2} t^2 - c_4 t \right) + \kappa_1 = \frac{1}{2\gamma} \left(\frac{c_2}{2} t^2 - c_4 t \right),$$

where $\kappa_1 = 0$ by $v_y(0) = 0$. We integrate again to find

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{2\gamma} \left(\frac{c_2}{6} t^3 - \frac{c_4}{2} t^2 \right) + \kappa_2 = \frac{1}{2\gamma} \left(\frac{c_2}{6} t^3 - \frac{c_4}{2} t^2 \right),$$

where $\kappa_2 = 0$ by $y(0) = 0$.

By $y(T) = 1, v_y(T) = 0$ and $T = 3$, we have that

$$0 = c_2 \frac{9}{2} - c_4 3, \quad 1 = \frac{1}{2\gamma} \left(c_2 \frac{9}{2} - c_4 \frac{9}{2} \right) \implies c_4 = c_2 \frac{3}{2}, \quad 2\gamma = c_2 \left(\frac{9}{2} - \frac{27}{4} \right) = -c_2 \left(\frac{9}{4} \right) \implies c_2 = -\frac{8\gamma}{9}, \quad c_4 = -\frac{4\gamma}{3}.$$

We find that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_x(0) \\ \lambda_y(0) \\ \lambda_{v_x}(0) \\ \lambda_{v_y}(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -\frac{8\gamma}{9} \\ -3 \\ -\frac{4\gamma}{3} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now, we have all dynamics.

Since the system is linear, we can compute the Hamiltonian matrix and e^{HT} to find $x(T)$. Alternatively, one can use ode-solvers.

By numerical or symbolic integration, we can compute $\int_0^T \|u(t)\|^2 dt$ where

$$\|u(t)\|^2 = \begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{4\gamma^2} ((-c_1 t + c_3)^2 + (-c_2 t + c_4)^2).$$

For $\gamma = a$: $x(T) \approx 9$, $\int_0^T \|u(t)\|^2 dt = 85/9 = 9.44 > T$,

For $\gamma = b$: $x(T) = 9/2$, $\int_0^T \|u(t)\|^2 dt = 97/36 = 2.69 < T$

(b) Use e.g. bisection to search between a and b : $\gamma = \frac{9}{2\sqrt{23}} = 0.9381$, $x(T) = \sqrt{23} = 4.79$
Alternatively, one can compute the primitive.

ii (a) Case C is a hard constraint and I is a soft constraint. The set of solutions to I contains the solution of C . Hence, the optimal solution to I must be at least as good as the solution to C .

(b)[4 points] We solve the same problem as before but now with $u(t) = \beta(t)$ as input variable and nonlinear dynamics. The dynamics and cost function are given by

$$f(\xi, u) = \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ \cos(\beta) \\ \sin(\beta) \end{bmatrix}, \quad g(\xi, u) = 0, \quad g_T(\xi) = x(T).$$

Also, we have that the optimal input satisfies

$$0 = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial u} H \right]^\top \implies \beta(t) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\lambda_{v_y}}{\lambda_{v_x}} \right).$$

Where the co-state has the same dynamics as before but now with different c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 .

Again from the terminal constraints, we directly determine that

$$c_1 = \lambda_x(T) = -1 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 = \lambda_{v_x}(T) = -c_1 T + c_3 = 3 + c_3 \implies c_3 = -3.$$

From the system dynamics with optimal input, we find that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{y} \\ \dot{v}_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_y \\ \sin(\tan^{-1}(\frac{\lambda_{v_y}}{\lambda_{v_x}})) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_y \\ \sin(\tan^{-1}(\frac{-c_2 t + c_4}{t-3})) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Integrating this analytically is much harder. One can use the shooting method. Possibly also use that $\sin(\tan^{-1}(x)) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$.

The values of the constants are found to be $c_2 = 0.61$ and $c_4 = 1.22$.

One can then solve forward in time or integrate twice over $a_x(t)$ to find $x(T) = 4.25$.

(c) We can directly see the connection to (b) where this problem has been already solved:

$$a_y = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\left(\frac{-c_2 t + c_4}{t-3}\right)}{\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{-c_2 t + c_4}{t-3}\right)^2}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{-c_2 t + c_4}{\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(t-3)^2 + (-c_2 t + c_4)^2}}$$

γ is the normalization factor for the input at (i) resulting from $\sin(\tan^{-1}(x))$.

$$\gamma(t) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(3-t)^2 + (c_2 t - c_4)^2}$$

Problem 3.4 Solution not provided.

Problem 3.5 Let us start by considering a change of variables for the control input

$$\bar{u}(t) = \frac{1}{2} u(t).$$

Then we have $\bar{u}(t) \in [-1, 1]$ and

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B\bar{u}$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then, this is a standard minimal time optimal control problem. We start by writing the Hamiltonian

$$H = \lambda^\top (Ax + Bu) + 1$$

and writing the conditions for optimality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\lambda}(t) &= -\left[\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}\right]^\top \rightarrow \dot{\lambda}(t) = -A^\top \lambda(t) \\ u(t) &= \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in [-1, 1]} H \rightarrow u(t) = -\operatorname{sign}(\lambda(t)^\top B) = -\operatorname{sign}(\lambda_1(t)) \end{aligned}$$

where $\operatorname{sign}(a) = -1$ if $a < 0$ and $\operatorname{sign}(a) = 1$ if $a > 0$. Since

$$\lambda(t) = \exp^{-A^\top t} \lambda(0) \rightarrow e^{2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -t \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \lambda(0)$$

we conclude that for any initial condition $\lambda(0)$, $\lambda_1(t)$ changes sign at most once (it may not change sign) and therefore the same holds for the control input. Then it suffices to

- (i) Find the set of initial conditions for which the origin $x(T) = 0$ is achieved after a time T for the control input $u(t) = 1$, $t \in [0, T]$ and for the control input $u(t) = -1$, $t \in [0, T]$. For these initial conditions we know that this is the optimal control input that reaches the origin in minimal time.
- (ii) Given an initial condition different from the one compute in (i) we know there to reach the origin we will need one switch: we have to compute the initial value of $u(t)$ for that initial condition (either 1 or -1).

To pursue (i) for $u(t) = 1$ we have to find initial conditions x_0 such that

$$0 = e^{AT} x_0 + \int_0^T e^{A(T-s)} B ds$$

which is equivalent to finding x_0 such that

$$x_0 = \int_T^0 e^{-As} B ds$$

Solving for the given A and B we get

$$x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 - e^{2T}/2 \\ (e^{2T}(2^T - 1))/4 + 1/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

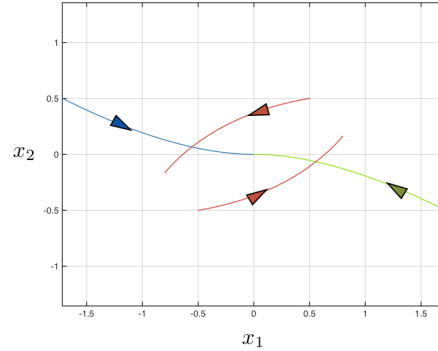
If we had considered $u(t) = -1$ we would get

$$x_0 = - \begin{bmatrix} 31/2 - e^{2T}/2 \\ (e^{2T}(2^T - 1))/4 + 1/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

These are the switching curves which are depicted in the figure in blue (for $u(t) = 1$) and in green (for $u(t) = -1$). For a given initial condition not in the switching curve the response when $u(t) = 1$ is

$$x(t) = e^{At} x_0 + \int_0^T e^{A(T-s)} B ds = e^{-2t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t & 0 \end{bmatrix} (x_0 + \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t} - 1 \\ -(e^{2t}(2t - 1))/2 - 1/2 \end{bmatrix})$$

22 By inspection we conclude that for an initial condition below the switching curves we should use $u(t) = 1$ (and then switch to $u(t) = -1$ when the trajectories reach the green switching curve) for an initial condition above the switching we should use $u(t) = -1$ (and then switch to $u(t) = 1$ when the trajectories reach the blue switching curve). This is illustrated in red for the initial conditions $(0.5, 0.5)$ and $-(0.5, 0.5)$



Problem 3.6 Solution not provided.

Linear quadratic control, separation principle

Problem 4.1 (a) For a linear system in the canonical form the equations of the Kalman filter are

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\hat{x}}(t) &= A\hat{x}(t) + Bu(t) + L(t)(y(t) - C\hat{x}(t)), \quad \hat{x}(0) = \mathbb{E}[x(0)], \\ L(t) &= \Phi(t)C^\top V^{-1},\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\dot{\Phi}(t) = A\Phi(t) + \Phi(t)A^\top + W - \Phi(t)C^\top V^{-1}C\Phi(t), \quad \Phi(0) = \mathbb{E}[(x(0) - \hat{x}(0))(x(0) - \hat{x}(0))^\top]$$

where V and W are zero-mean Gaussian white noise processes with $\mathbb{E}[v(t)v(t+\tau)^\top] = V\delta(\tau)$, $\mathbb{E}[w(t)w(t+\tau)^\top] = W\delta(\tau)$. For the given system we have

$$A = -3/2 \quad B = 3 \quad C = 1 \quad W = 4 \quad V = 3 \quad T = 1 \quad \Phi(0) = 1$$

The fact that $W = 4$ follows from the fact that the given system can be written as

$$\dot{x}(t) = -\frac{3}{2}x(t) + 3u(t) + \bar{w}(t), \quad x(0) = x_0, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}.$$

where

$$\bar{w}(t) = 2w(t)$$

and $\mathbb{E}[\bar{w}(t)\bar{w}(t+\tau)] = 4\mathbb{E}[w(t)w(t+\tau)] = 4\delta(\tau)$. This leads to

$$\dot{\hat{x}}(t) = -\frac{3}{2}\hat{x}(t) + 3u(t) + L(t)(y(t) - \hat{x}(t)) \quad \hat{x}(0) = \bar{x}_0, \quad t \in [0, 1].$$

and

$$L(t) = \frac{\Phi(t)}{3}$$

and

$$\dot{\Phi}(t) = -3\Phi(t) + 4 - \frac{1}{3}\Phi(t)^2, \quad \Phi(0) = 1/2$$

or equivalently

$$\dot{\Phi}(t) = -\frac{1}{3}(\Phi(t)^2 + 9\Phi(t) - 12) = -\frac{1}{3}(\Phi(t) + 10.1789)(\Phi(t) - 1.1789)$$

The hint suggests how to obtain the solution to this equation: make $k = -\frac{1}{3}$, $\alpha_1 = 10.1789$, $\alpha_2 = -1.1789$ in the formula $\Phi(t) = \frac{\alpha_2 c e^{k(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)t} - \alpha_1}{1 - c e^{k(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)t}}$. To obtain c simply note that for $t = 0$, $\Phi(0) = 1/2$ and therefore

$$1/2 = \frac{\alpha_2 c - \alpha_1}{1 - c}$$

from which

$$c = \frac{1/2 + \alpha_1}{\alpha_2 + 1/2} = -15.7295$$

This leads to $\Phi(t) = \frac{18.5437e^{3.7859t} - 10.1789}{1 + 15.7295e^{3.7859t}}$ for $t \in [0, 1]$.

(b) the equations of the Stationary Kalman filter

$$\dot{\hat{x}}(t) = A\hat{x}(t) + Bu(t) + L(y(t) - C\hat{x}(t)), \quad \hat{x}(0) = \mathbb{E}[x(0)],$$

where

$$L = \Phi C^\top V^{-1},$$

$$0 = A\Phi + \Phi A^\top + W - \Phi C^\top V^{-1} C \Phi.$$

For the parameters of the given system we get

$$\dot{\hat{x}}(t) = -\frac{3}{2}\hat{x}(t) + 3u(t) + L(y(t) - \hat{x}(t)) \quad \hat{x}(0) = \bar{x}_0, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

where

$$\Phi = 1.1789$$

$$L = \frac{1.1789}{3}$$

Problem 4.2 The Kalman filter is given by

$$\dot{\hat{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \hat{x}(t) + L(y(t) - [1 \quad 0] \hat{x}(t)), \quad \hat{x}(0) = \mathbb{E}[x(0)],$$

The state covariance matrix is $W = B_w I B_w^\top = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and the noise covariance matrix is $V = 3$. Using the `kalman.m` instruction we get

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 6.6178 \\ -0.0444 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 4.3 This is a standard LQG problem. The optimal policy is given by

$$u(t) = K(t)\hat{x}(t)$$

where $\hat{x}(t)$ is the Kalman filter estimate, which was already computed in 2.1. The gains are given by $K(t) = -R^{-1}B^\top P(t)$ and $P(t)$ is given by the continuous-time Riccati equations

$$\dot{P}(t) = -(A^\top P(t) + P(t)A + Q - P(t)BR^{-1}B^\top P(t)), \quad t \in [0, T]$$

$$P(T) = Q_T$$

for the parameters given ($P(1) = 0$ since the terminal cost is zero), we have

$$\dot{P}(t) = -(3^\top P(t) + 4 - P(t)^2) = -(P(t) - 1)(P(t) + 4) \quad P(1) = 0,$$

whose solution is $P(t) = \frac{-ce^{-5t}-4}{1-ce^{-5t}}$ for a given constant c such that $P(1) = 0$. This leads to $c = -4e^5$ and

$$K(t) = -\frac{1}{3} \frac{4e^{-5(t-1)} - 4}{1 + 4e^{-5(t-1)}}$$

Problem 4.4 The optimal policy is

$$u(t) = K\hat{x}(t)$$

where

$$\dot{\hat{x}}(t) = A\hat{x}(t) + BK\hat{x}(t) + L(y(t) - C\hat{x}(t)), \quad \hat{x}(0) = \mathbb{E}[x(0)],$$

and L and K can be obtained with the matlab instructions `lqr.m` and `kalman.m` using the parameters

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

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = I$$

$$R = 0.1$$

$$W = I$$

$$V = 0.1$$

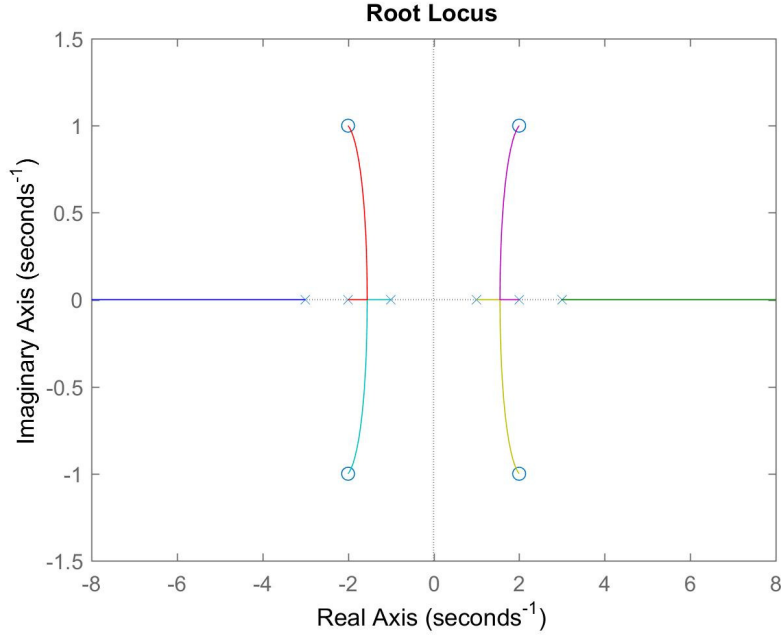
This leads to

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 1.7495 & 6.9495 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 7.1767 \\ 9.3097 \end{bmatrix}$$

Root square locus and loop transfer recovery

Problem 5.1



1. This is a standard root square locus problem. Due to the frequency domain equality the following holds

$$\underbrace{(1 - K(sI - A)^{-1}B)(1 - K(-sI - A)^{-1}B)}_{\text{eigenvalues of } A + BK \text{ and their symmetric w.r.t. im. axis}} = 1 + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\rho}}_{\text{"gain" } \bar{k} \text{ for r.s.locus}} \underbrace{C(sI - A)^{-1}BC(-sI - A)^{-1}B}_{:= \frac{n(s)}{d(s)} \text{ "open-loop t.f." for root square locus}} \quad (26)$$

We have

$$C(sI - A)^{-1}B = \frac{s + \frac{1}{2}}{s^3 + 4s^2 + s - 6} = \frac{s + \frac{1}{2}}{(s + 3)(s + 2)(s - 1)}.$$

and therefore

$$\frac{n(s)}{d(s)} = \frac{s + \frac{1}{2}}{s^3 + 4s^2 + s - 6} \frac{-s + \frac{1}{2}}{-s^3 + 4s^2 - s - 6} = \frac{-s^2 + \frac{1}{4}}{(-s^2 + 9)(-s^2 + 4)(-s^2 + 1)}.$$

Using the matlab function rlocus.m with $\frac{n(s)}{d(s)}$ results in the plot in the figure (the closed-loop eigenvalues of the lqr design are the stable ones in the plot). Checking the eigenvalues in the plot corresponding to the gains $1/\rho$ for $\rho \in \{1, 10, 100\}$ we obtain

	$\rho = 1$	$\rho = 10$	$\rho = 100$
closed-loop eigenvalues	-0.9851	-0.8908	-0.6526
	-2.0639	-2.6047 + 0.4257i	-3.0622 + 1.6094i
	-2.9614	-2.6047 - 0.4257i	-3.0622 + 1.6094i

2. From the FDE (see equation (26)) we see that by picking C and ρ one can select the closed-loop eigenvalues. When $\rho \rightarrow 0$, the gain of the root square locus converges to infinity $\frac{1}{\rho} \rightarrow \infty$. One of the rules of the root locus is that a subset of the closed loop poles/eigenvalues, i.e., the roots of

$$1 + \bar{k} \frac{n(s)}{d(s)} = 0$$

converge to the open-loop zeros (roots of $n(s) = 0$) when the gain \bar{k} approaches infinity and the remaining closed loop poles/eigenvalues converge to infinity. The zeros of the open-loop t.f., i.e., the number of zeros of

$$\underbrace{C(sI - A)^{-1}BC(-sI - A)^{-1}B = 0}$$

are at most 4, since the number of zeros of $C(sI - A)^{-1}B$ are at most 2 since (A, B, C) is a third order system. Moreover, the zeros corresponding to $C(-sI - A)^{-1}B$ are symmetric of the zeros of $C(sI - A)^{-1}B$ w.r.t the imaginary axis. Therefore, if we pick the zeros of $C(sI - A)^{-1}B$ (or of $C(-sI - A)^{-1}B$) to correspond to $-2 \pm i$ we know that two stable eigenvalues will eventually converge to these values. Since there are at most 3 stable closed-loop eigenvalues and the third one must converge to infinity, it must converge to minus infinity along the real axis. Letting $C = [c_1 \ c_2 \ c_3]$ we get $C(sI - A)^{-1}B = \frac{c_1 + c_2s + c_3s^2}{s^3 + 4s^2 + s - 6}$. Then, we need

$$c_1 + c_2s + c_3s^2 = (s + 2 + i)(s + 2 - i) = s^2 + 4s + 5$$

which can be obtained by making $c_3 = 1$, $c_2 = 4$, $c_1 = 5$. If we had picked the zeros of $C(-sI - A)^{-1}B$ we would get $C(-sI - A)^{-1}B = \frac{c_1 - c_2s + c_3s^2}{s^3 - 4s^2 + s - 6}$. So picking either

$$C = [5 \quad -4 \quad 1]$$

or

$$C = [5 \quad 4 \quad 1]$$

leads to the desired closed-loop poles/eigenvalues.

Problem 5.2 Solution not provided.