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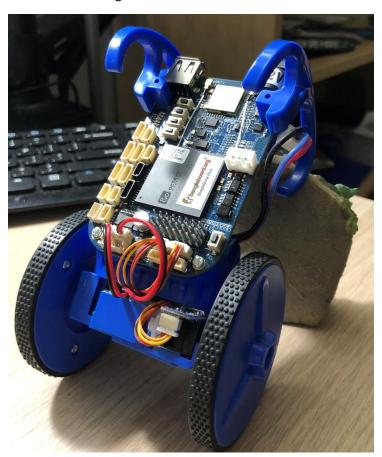
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MiP Project Part 1

MiP Balance Project

Figure 1: MiP Demonstration



In order to balance the EduMiP, the dynamics of the system must be studied first. The equations of motion in the following are similar to that of an inverted pendulum on a cart:

$$(I_w + (m_w + m_b)r^2)\ddot{\phi} + (m_b r l cos \theta)\ddot{\theta} - (m_b r l sin \theta)\dot{\theta}^2 = \tau \dots (1)$$
$$(m_b r l cos \theta)\ddot{\phi} + (I_b + m_b l^2)\ddot{\theta} - (m_b g l sin \theta) = -\tau \dots (2)$$

With θ as the body's angle and ϕ as the wheel angle.

Physical properties are as follows:

m_w	wheel mass
m_b	Total assembled MiP body mass
r	Wheel radius
l	MiP center of mass to wheel axis
I_b	MiP body inertia
gravity	gravity

The given equations for connecting motor torque and speed are the following:

$$\tau = 2G(\bar{s}u - kw_m) \dots (3)$$

$$w_w = \dot{\phi} - \dot{\theta} = \frac{w_m}{G} \dots (4)$$

To find the torque constant, I divided the stall torque \bar{s} by the free run speed w_f (given).

$$k = \frac{\bar{s}}{w_f} \dots (5)$$

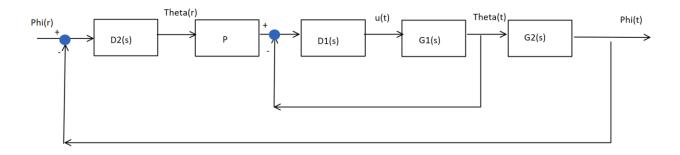
In order to find the combined wheel inertia, the following estimate of the combined wheel inertia was used:

$$I_w = 2\left(\frac{m_w r^2}{2} + G^2 I_m\right) \dots (6)$$

Now, all constants are known except for θ , ϕ , and u (motor's normalized duty cycle)

The design of the system and the closed-loop system is depicted in the following figure:

Figure 2: System's Block Diagram



The fast controller D1(s) takes the relationship between the microcontroller's PWM duty cycle and the MiP body angle. This loop has to be fast due to the volatility of the body angle becoming unstable

relatively quickly from gravity. The frequency of the inner loop was manually set at 100Hz to compensate for the required "fast" response to the system. Once the inner loop is stabilized, the outer loop stabilizes the whole MiP's location at a lower frequency. Since the physical location of the MiP is related to the wheel angle, I used ϕ as my reference for tracking. The outer loop D2(s) is at a lower frequency because it isn't as important to stabilize the wheels compared to the MiP's body angle. Therefore, the frequency was set at 20 Hz which is significantly less than the fast loop's 100Hz.

Note: The loop prefactor P was added into the system because there isn't realistic asymptotic tracking for my inner loop as my analysis later shows.

Fast Controller Design:

Next, we want to solve the equations of motion with the "fast" controller - namely, the transfer function between θ and u.

Subbing in Equation 4 into Equation 3 yields the following equation:

$$\tau = 2G\left(\bar{s}u - \frac{\bar{s}}{w_f}G(\dot{\phi} - \dot{\theta})\right)...(7)$$

Plugging in Equation 7 to Equation 1 & 2:

$$(I_w + (m_w + m_b)r^2)\ddot{\phi} + (m_b r l cos\theta)\ddot{\theta} - (m_b r l sin\theta)\dot{\theta}^2 = 2G\left(\bar{s}u - \frac{\bar{s}}{w_f}G(\dot{\phi} - \dot{\theta})\right)...(8)$$

$$(m_b r l cos\theta)\ddot{\phi} + (I_b + m_b l^2)\ddot{\theta} - (m_b g l sin\theta) = -2G\left(\bar{s}u - \frac{\bar{s}}{w_f}G(\dot{\phi} - \dot{\theta})\right)...(9)$$

Rearranging Equation 8 and 9 yields the following:

$$\begin{split} (I_w + (m_w + m_b)r^2)\ddot{\phi} + \frac{2G^2\bar{s}}{w_f}\dot{\phi} + (m_brlcos\theta)\ddot{\theta} - \frac{2G^2\bar{s}}{w_f}\dot{\theta} - (m_brlsin\theta)\dot{\theta}^2 &= 2G\bar{s}u \\ (m_brlcos\theta)\ddot{\phi} - \frac{2G^2\bar{s}}{w_f}\dot{\phi} + (I_b + m_bl^2)\ddot{\theta} + \frac{2G^2\bar{s}}{w_f}\dot{\theta} - (m_bglsin\theta) &= -2G\bar{s}u \end{split}$$

Assuming small angles where $sin\theta=\theta$, $cos\theta=1$, and $\dot{\theta}^2=0$ results in the following two equations:

$$(I_w + (m_w + m_b)r^2)\ddot{\phi} + \frac{2G^2\bar{s}}{w_f}\dot{\phi} + (m_b r l)\ddot{\theta} - \frac{2G^2\bar{s}}{w_f}\dot{\theta} = 2G\bar{s}u \dots (10)$$

$$(m_b r l)\ddot{\phi} - \frac{2G^2\bar{s}}{w_e}\dot{\phi} + (I_b + m_b l^2)\ddot{\theta} + \frac{2G^2\bar{s}}{w_e}\dot{\theta} - (m_b g l)\theta = -2G\bar{s}u \dots (11)$$

For simplicity's sake, I will use the following variables:

$$a = I_w + (m_w + m_b)r^2$$

$$b = \frac{2G^2 \bar{s}}{w_f}$$

$$c = m_h r l$$

$$d = 2G\bar{s}$$

$$e = m_h r l$$

$$f = I_b + m_b l^2$$

$$g = m_h g l$$

After Laplace transforming Equation 10 and 11,

$$(as^2 + bs)\Phi + (cs^2 - bs)\Theta = dU ... (12)$$

$$(es^2 - bs)\Phi + (fs^2 + bs - g)\Theta = -dU ... (13)$$

then multiplying 12 by $(es^2 - bs)$ and 13 by $(as^2 + bs)$ and having equation 12 minus 13 gives the following:

$$[(es^2 - bs)(cs^2 - bs) - (as^2 + bs)(fs^2 + bs - g)]\Theta = d(es^2 - bs + as^2 + bs)U...(14)$$

Finally, the Transfer function between Θ and U is expressed.

$$\frac{\Theta}{U} = \frac{d(es^2 - bs + as^2 + bs)}{(es^2 - bs)(cs^2 - bs) - (as^2 + bs)(fs^2 + bs - g)} \dots (15)$$

After some cleaning up, Equation 15 becomes:

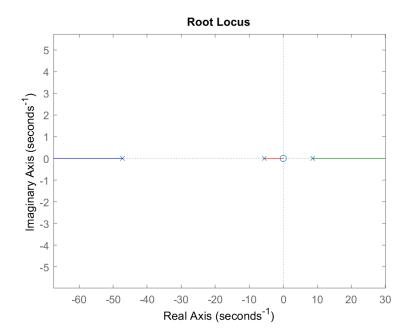
$$\frac{\Theta}{U} = \frac{d(e+a)s^2}{(ec-af)s^4 + (-eb - bc - ab - bf)s^3 + (ag)s^2 + (bg)s}$$

Plugging in the physical properties into MATLAB:

$$G1 = \frac{\Theta}{U} = \frac{-882.7s}{s^3 + 44.15s^2 - 192.8s - 2299} \dots (16)$$

With the root locus plot looking like this:

Figure 3: Root locus of G1(s)



The root locus plot demonstrates that with just a proportional controller K the G(s) cannot stabilize. Therefore, I have decided to use a controller with a pole at the origin and a zero. The pole at the origin is intended to have asymptotic tracking and a pole-zero cancellation of the system's zero. The zero is located at the left of the system's pole so that the pole at around -48 can go to that new zero and maintain stability. The gain is left at negative so that the root locus may reach stability as the right-hand side pole moves to the left and eventually reaching stability. To achieve the qualities above, my controller of choice was the proportional integral (PI) controller:

$$D1 = -\frac{(s+8)}{s}...(17)$$

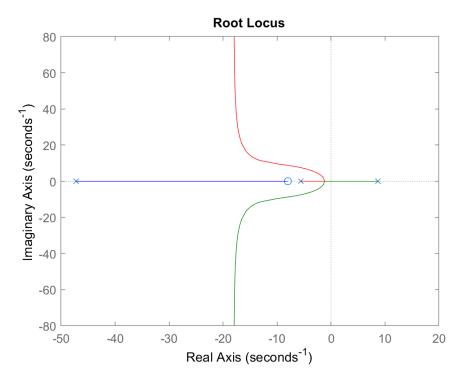
Gain: -1

Pole: 0

Zero: -8

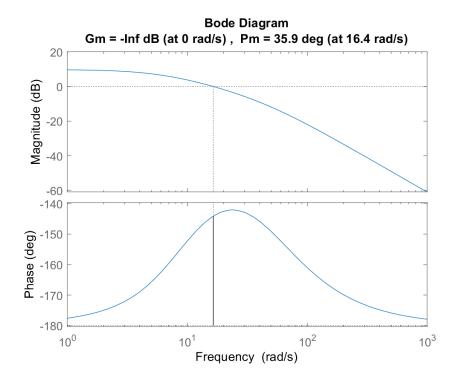
The root locus after implementing my controller looks like the following:

Figure 4: Root Locus of Open Loop System



The bode plot of the open-loop system G1(s)D1(s) has the following features:

Figure 5: Bode Plot of Open Loop System G1(s)D1(s)



The plot shows a phase margin at around 35. 9 degrees for 16.4 rad/s. There is no gain margin. The bode plot maintains tracking at low frequencies but also rejection at high frequencies, hence making the system more robust.

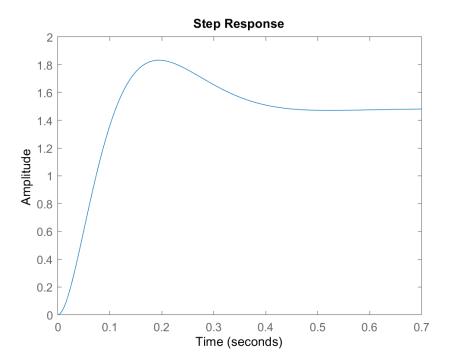


Figure 6: Step Response of Closed-Loop System

The step response shows that there's no asymptotic tracking as the value leads to 1.48. Therefore, a loop prefactor is needed in the outer loop to ensure asymptotic tracking.

Since this is a fast controller, I ensured that the rise time is less than 0.2 seconds. To verify, I estimate my rise time to be $t_r=\frac{1.8}{w_g}=\frac{1.8}{16.4}=0.1098s$ which is exactly what I needed.

Lastly, to convert my controller into discrete time with a 100Hz sample rate, I used the MATLAB command c2d with Tustin's approximation to get

$$D1(z) = \frac{-1.04z + 0.96}{z - 1} \dots (18)$$

An interesting note to make when identifying the corrected phase margin is to take into account the phase loss due to my method of finding D(s). I used a discrete equivalent design that has a cascade of effect from an ADC - D(z) - DAC. The h/2 (h as sample interval) delay results from the zero-order hold of the DAC. With this method, a significant amount of extra phase lead at the gain crossover frequency should be built into the CT control design D(s) to compensate. I accounted for the effect of the h/2 delay by including a Pade approximation of the delay in series with D(s). Since the Pade approximation only

affects the phase of the Bode Plot with a phase gain of around 15 degrees, I added 15 degrees to my phase margin bumping it up to 50.9 degrees.

Slow Controller Design:

After implementing the first controller, the MiP will want to wander around as there is no feedback on the physical position yet. To compensate that, an outer loop controller is required.

To derive the transfer function for G2(s) – relationship between ϕ and θ – we continued from equations 12 and 13.

$$(as^{2} + bs)\Phi + (cs^{2} - bs)\Theta = dU \dots (12)$$
$$(es^{2} - bs)\Phi + (fs^{2} + bs - g)\Theta = -dU \dots (13)$$

Adding equation 12 and 13 gives the following expression:

$$(a + e)s^2\Phi = -\Theta((c + f) - g)...(19)$$

Then the transfer function between ϕ and θ becomes:

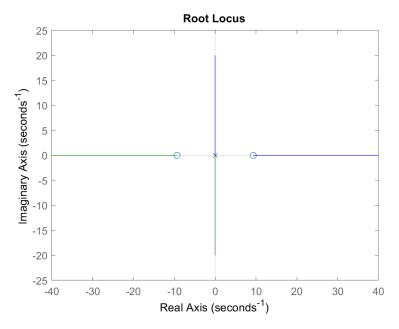
$$\frac{\Phi}{\Theta} = \frac{-(c+f)s^2 + g}{(a+e)s^2} \dots (20)$$

Plugging in the values in MATLAB gives the numerical result:

$$G2 = \frac{-1.476s^2 + 128.9}{s^2}$$

The root locus looks like the following:

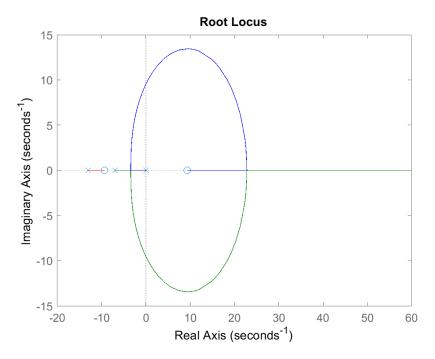
Figure 7: Root Locus Of G2(s)



In order to make this system stable, I designed proportional derivative (PD) controller with an extra pole. The PD controller was so that the poles don't branch off at zero but instead at the right-hand side. This is beneficial because at small gains I can make the system stable. Next, the pole for the PD I designed it to the left of the zero at -10. This is so that with any gain that closed loop pole will always be stable. At high gains, the system will branch out and reach the right-hand side zero and another one to infinity. With that in mind, I kept my gain low at 1. All in all, my controller looks like the following:

$$D2 = \frac{s}{(s+13)(s+7)}$$

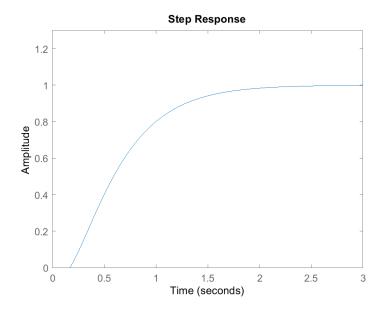
Figure 8: Root Locus Of Open Loop System



The root locus demonstrates the stability of the outer loop with the assumption that the inner loop has a gain of 1.

To verify, we plotted the ideal step response (inner loop gain of 1).

Figure 9: Step Response of Ideal Closed Loop System



The step response indeed reaches asymptotic tracking and is stable. Now, my realistic model of G1(s) and D1(s) after multiplying the loop prefactor [1/(steady state value from the inner loop's step response)=1/1.48] is needed to see how my loops together. I then plotted the step response for the inner loop and the realistic outer loop (with inner loop included).

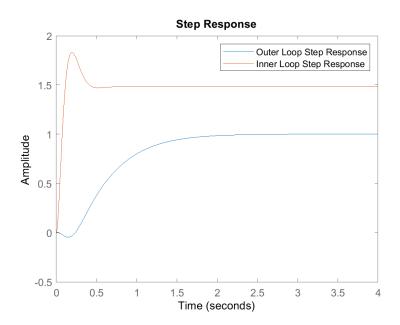
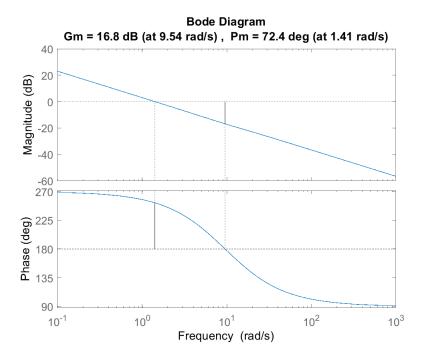


Figure 10: Inner & Outer Loop Step Response

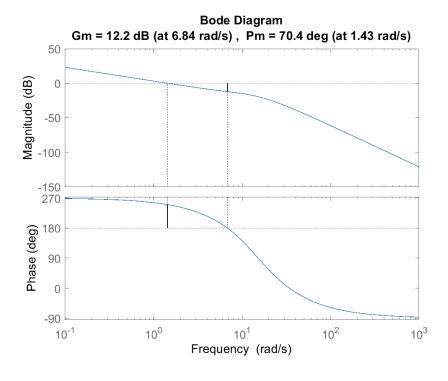
The open loop bode shows that there is a feasible gain margin of 16.8dB at 9.54 rad/s and phase margin of 72.4 degrees at 1.41 rad/s. Having 72.4 degrees as my phase margin is really good as there's a lot of leeway before instability. In reality, similar to how D1(s) needed a 15-degree phase bump due to Pade' approximation, my phase margin increases to around 87.4 degrees.

Figure 11: Bode Plot of Open Loop G2(s)D2(s)



Finally, to see how the full outer loop with the actual closed inner loop T1(s) of the successive loop closure problem, the Bode Plot looks like the following:

Figure 12: Bode Plot of Full Outer Loop



For the full outer loop, there is a 12.2 dB gain margin at 6.84 rad/s and a 70.4 degree phase margin for 1.43 rad/s. This means with the inner loop included, the whole system should theoretically be stable with a lot of leeway before instability.

Finally, using Tustin's approximation, the D2 controller with 20Hz at discrete time is the following:

$$D2(z) = \frac{0.01606z^2 - 0.01606}{z^2 - 1.212z + 0.3577}$$

Resources Used:

For this report, I used MATLAB to design my controller and see my system's root locus and Bode Plot behaviors. I then wrote my script in C using Microsoft's Visual Studio Code. Lastly, I implemented my code using Putty to have access with SSH and transferred files using WinSCP.

Appendix A: Balance Code

```
float duty old = 0;
      float duty;
     float theta_diff_old;
     float inputd2_old2;
     float outputd2_old2;
     float inputd2 old1;
     float outputd2_old1;
     float L_rad=0;
     float R_rad =0;
     // average left and right motor
     float phi = 0;
     float theta_ref = 0;
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     const float c = (2*3.141592)/(35.577 * 15 * 4);
     static float k1 = 1;
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     static float k2 = 0.6;
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      float d1(float theta_diff);
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     float d2(float phi_diff);
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     float gain = dt/(timeconstant+dt); //define the gain
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     float wc = 1/timeconstant;
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     // Preload a file for csv
     char filename[] = "Justin";
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     FILE *filepointer;
118
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rc_pthread_timed_join(slow_loop,NULL,1.5);
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              rc led set(RC LED GREEN, 0);
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              rc_led_set(RC_LED_RED, 0);
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211
          fclose(filepointer);
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              rc_led_cleanup();
215
          rc_cleanup();
216
          rc_mpu_power_off();
217
          rc_button_cleanup(); // stop button handlers
218
          rc_remove_pid_file(); //remove pid file LAST
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          return 0;
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      void on_pause_release()
              if(rc_get_state()==RUNNING){
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                  rc_set_state(PAUSED);
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              else if(rc_get_state()==PAUSED){
233
                  rc_set_state(RUNNING);
              return;
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void on_pause_press()
        int i:
        const int samples = 100; // check for release 100 times in this period
        const int us_wait = 2000000; // 2 seconds
        for(i=0;i<samples;i++){</pre>
                rc_usleep(us_wait/samples);
                if(rc_button_get_state(RC_BTN_PIN_PAUSE)==RC_BTN_STATE_RELEASED) return;
        rc_set_state(EXITING);
float lowpass(float gain,float input){
        float output = gain*input + (1-gain)*low_oldoutput;
        low_oldoutput = output;
float highpass(float gain,float input){
        float output = gain*(high_oldoutput + input - high_oldinput);
        high_oldoutput = output;
        high_oldinput = input;
        return output;
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* to find what the duty cycle is.
void theta_calculations(void)
   if(rc_mpu_read_accel(&data)<0)</pre>
        printf("read accel data failed\n");
   if(rc_mpu_read_gyro(&data)<0)</pre>
        printf("read gyro data failed\n");
   theta_a_raw= atan2(-data.accel[2],data.accel[1]);
    theta_g_raw = theta_g_raw + (data.gyro[0]*DEG_TO_RAD*0.01);
    theta_g_raw_old = theta_g_raw;
    theta_a = lowpass(gain,theta_a_raw);
    //high pass filter for theta_g
   theta_g = highpass(1-gain,theta_g_raw);
   //theta_f is the sum plus the offset for the way MiP naturally balances
    theta_f = theta_a + theta_g+0.25;
        duty = d1(theta_ref/1.48 - theta_f);
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//set the position of the motors
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              rc_motor_set(2,-duty);
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              rc_motor_set(3,duty);
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              // if the MiP body angle is over +/- (1 radian = 57 degrees)
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              if(theta_f>1)
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                  rc_set_state(EXITING);
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                   return;
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              if(theta_f<-1)</pre>
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                   rc_set_state(EXITING);
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      void* slow_loop(__attribute__ ((unused)) void* reference)
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       while(rc_get_state()!=EXITING)
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                       rc_set_encoder_pos(2,0);
351
                       rc_set_encoder_pos(3,0);
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353
                       L_rad = rc_get_encoder_pos(2)*c;
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                       R_rad = rc_get_encoder_pos(3)*c;
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                       phi = (L_rad+R_rad)/2 - theta_f;
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phi = (L_rad+R_rad)/2 - theta_f;
                       theta_ref = d2(phi);
               usleep(200000); //set frequency to 20Hz
      float d1(float theta diff)
          float output = duty_old +k1*(-1.04*theta_diff + 0.96*theta_diff_old);
          duty_old = output;
          theta_diff_old = theta_diff;
          return output;
      float d2(float phi_diff)
          float output = 1.212*outputd2_old1 -0.3577*outputd2_old2 + k2*(0.01606*phi_diff - 0.01606*inputd2_old2);
          outputd2_old2 = outputd2_old1;
outputd2_old1 = output;
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          inputd2_old2 = inputd2_old1;
          inputd2_old1 = phi;
          return output;
```

Appendix B: MATLAB Code

```
% MAE 144 EduMIP Project Part 1
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%% Given Parameters
clear all; clc; close all;
      = 0.027;
      = 0.180;
mb
       = 1760;
wf
sbar = 0.003;
       = 320/9;
       = 3.6*10^-8;
Im
       = 0.034;
R
L
      = 0.0477;
       = 2.63*10^-4;
Ib
        = 7.4;
DT1 = 0.01; %100Hz sample rate

DT2 = 0.05; %20Hz sample rate
gravity = 9.81;
% wheel inertia
Iw = 2*(mw*R^2/2+G^2*Im);
%% Plant & Controller TFs
a = Iw + (mw+mb)*R^2;
b = 2*(G^2)*sbar/wf;
c = mb *R*L;
d = 2*G*sbar;
e = mb*R*L;
f = Ib + mb*(L^2);
g = mb*gravity*L;
%% Inner Loop
numG1 = [d*(e+a) 0 0];
denG1 = [(e*c-a*f) (-e*b-b*c-a*b-b*f) (a*g) (b*g) 0];
G1 = tf(numG1, denG1);
G1 = minreal(G1);
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```
%System's Root Locus
figure(1);
rlocus(G1);
%Controller design D1
k = -1;
D1 = tf([1 8],[1 0]);
D1 = D1*k;
% Discretization
 [numD1, denD1] = tfdata(D1,'v');
 [numD1z ,denD1z] = c2d(D1,DT1,'Tustin');
D1z = tf(numD1z, denD1z, DT1);
%Root locus after controller
figure(2);
rlocus(G1*D1)
%Bode Plot G1*D1
figure(3);
margin(G1*D1)
%Step response
figure(4);
T = G1*D1/(1+G1*D1);
step(T)
%% Outer Loop
numG2 = [(-c-f) \ 0 \ (g)];
denG2 = [(a+e) 0 0];
G2 = tf(numG2, denG2);
%G2 = minreal(G2)
% Ideal system without controller
figure(5)
rlocus(G2)
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```
%D2 Controller
K2 = 1;
extrapole= tf([1],[1 7]);
     = tf([1 \ 0],[1 \ 13]);
PD
D2
        = K2*extrapole*PD;
% Ideal system with outer loop controller
figure(6)
rlocus(G2*D2)
% Ideal Step response
figure (7)
step(G2*D2/(1+G2*D2));
ylim([0,1.3]);
%Realistic step response
figure(8)
step(G2*D2*G1*D1*(1/1.48)/((1+G1*D1)*(1+G2*D2)));
hold on;
step(T);
hold off;
legend('Outer Loop Step Response','Inner Loop Step Response');
xlim([0,4]);
% Open-Loop Bode Plot
figure(9)
margin(G2*D2);
%Open-Loop Bode Plot with Inner Loop Model Included
figure(10)
margin(G2*D2*T/1.48);
%Discretization
[numD2, denD2] = tfdata(D2,'v');
[numD2z, denD2z] = c2d(D2,DT2,'Tustin');
D2z = tf(numD2z,denD2z,DT2);
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