Computerized control - homework 2

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Exercises

Sample the continuous-time transfer function

Consider the harmonic oscillator with transfer function

$$G(s) = \frac{\omega^2}{s^2 + \omega^2}. (1)$$

Compute the pulse-transfer function by sampling the transfer function G(s).

Simulation of the continuous- and discrete-time harmonic oscillator

Use matlab's control toolbox or the python control module to simulate the system and verify your calculations.

Define systems

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First, define the continuous-time system in (1)
omega = 1; % Just a suggestion
h = 0.2/omega; % Completely undamped system. This gives about 30 samples per period
sys_c = tf([omega^2],[1 0 omega^2])
Sample the system using the function c2d
sys_c2d = c2d(sys_c, h)
Define the discrete-time system you calculated in the first part of the homework
den = [1 a1 a2];
num = [b1 b2];
sys_d = tf(num, den, h)
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Verify that the two discrete-time systems sys_c2d and sys_d are identical.

Simulate step responses

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Simulate for 4 complete periods
Tc = linspace(0, 4*(2*pi/omega), 800);
[yc,tc] = step(sys_c, Tc);
Td = h*(0:120);
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[yd,td] = step(sys_d, Td);
figure()
clf
plot(tc,yc)
hold on
plot(td,yd, 'r*')
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Verify that the step response of the discrete-time system is exactly equal to that of the continuous-time system at the sampling instants. Explain why this is so!

Compute the discrete step response yourself

Write some lines of code that solves the difference equation

$$y(k+2) = -a_1y(k+1) - a_2y(k) + b_1u(k+1) + b_2u(k)$$

for the harmonic oscillator. Use the initial state y(-1) = y(0) = 0 and compute the response to a step sequence

$$u(k) = \begin{cases} 1, & k \ge 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Verify that your solution is the same as when using the step function in the previous exercise in this homework.

Solutions

Sampling the transfer function

1. Calculate the step response

$$Y(s) = G(s)\frac{1}{s} = \frac{\omega^2}{(s^2 + \omega^2)s}$$

= $\frac{1}{s} - \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$.

2. Transform to time domain (using transform table)

$$y(t) = u(t) - u(t)\cos\omega t$$

3. Calculate z-transform of sampled output

$$Y(z) = \mathcal{Z} \{y(kh)\} = \mathcal{Z} \{u(kh) - u(kh)\cos(\omega kh)\}$$
$$= \mathcal{Z} \{u(k)\} - \mathcal{Z} \{u(k)\cos(\omega hk)\}$$
$$= \frac{z}{z-1} - \frac{z(z - \cos(\omega h))}{z^2 - 2\cos(\omega h)z + 1}$$

4. Divide by the z-transform of the step input

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{U(z)} = \frac{z-1}{z} \left(\frac{z}{z-1} - \frac{z(z-\cos(\omega h))}{z^2 - 2\cos(\omega h)z + 1} \right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{(z-1)(z-\cos(\omega h))}{z^2 - 2\cos(\omega h)z + 1}$$

$$= \frac{z^2 - 2\cos(\omega h)z + 1 - z^2 + \cos(\omega h)z + z - \cos(\omega h)}{z^2 - 2\cos(\omega h)z + 1}$$

$$= \frac{\left(1 - \cos(\omega H)\right)z + 1 - \cos(\omega h)}{z^2 - 2\cos(\omega h)z + 1}.$$

Simulations

The code that is provided does most of the job. You just have to define the numerator and denominator of the discrete-time system from the sampled model you obtained:

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a1 = -2*cos(omega*h);
a2 = 1;
b1 = 1-cos(omega*h);
b2 = b1;

den = [1 a1 a2];
num = [0 b1 b2];
sys_d = tf(num, den, h)
```

Own code for simulating system response

There are many ways to do this. Here is one

```
% Calculate the step response by hand
N = 120;
u = ones(N,1);
y = nan(N,1);
% Pad with two zeros at beginning, corresponding to u(-2), u(-1), y(-2) and
% y(-1)
u = [zeros(2,1); u];
y = [zeros(2,1); y];

for kplustwo = 3:N
    y(kplustwo) = -a1*y(kplustwo-1) -a2*y(kplustwo-2) + b1*u(kplustwo-1) + b2*u(kplustwo-2);
end

yd2 = y(3:end);
plot(td,yd2, 'ko', 'markersize', 14)
legend('Continous model', 'Discrete model', 'Own simulation')
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