

A Design Study Approach to Classical Control

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Homework E.12

- (a) Modify the state feedback solution developed in Homework [E.11](#) to add an integrator with anti-windup to the feedback loop for z .
- (b) Add a constant input disturbance of 1 Newtons to the input of the plant and allow the plant parameters to vary up to 20%.
- (c) Tune the integrator pole (and other gains if necessary) to get good tracking performance.

Solution

Step 1. The original state space equations are

$$\dot{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 \\ 0 & -18.1923 & 0 & 0 \\ -9.8000 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} x + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2.6519 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} u$$
$$y_r = (0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0) x,$$

therefore the augmented system is

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} A & \mathbf{0} \\ -C & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0000 & 0 \\ 0 & -18.1923 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -9.8000 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1.0000 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} B \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2.6519 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 2. Following the design in HW E.11, we use the tuning parameters $t_{rz} = 1.2$, $t_{r\theta} = 0.5$, $\zeta_z = 0.707$, $\zeta_\theta = 0.707$. In addition, we will add an integrator pole at $p_I = -5$. The new controllability matrix

$$\mathcal{C}_{A_1, B_1} = [B_1, A_1 B_1, A_1^2 B_1] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2.6519 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -25.9890 & 0 \\ 2.6519 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 472.7979 \\ 0 & 0 & -25.9890 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 25.9890 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The determinant is $\det(\mathcal{C}_{A_1, B_1}) = -1.2345e + 05 \neq 0$, therefore the system is controllable.

The open loop characteristic polynomial

$$\Delta_{ol}(s) = \det(sI - A_1) = \det \begin{pmatrix} s & 0 & -1.0000 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 & -1.0000 & 0 \\ 0 & 18.1923 & s & 0 & 0 \\ 9.8000 & 0 & 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 1.0000 & 0 & 0 & s \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= s^5 - 178.2842s,$$

which implies that

$$\mathbf{a}_{A_1} = (0 \ 0 \ 0 \ -178.2842 \ 0)$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{A_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -178.2842 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The desired closed loop polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{cl}^d(s) &= (s^2 + 2\zeta_z\omega_{n_z}s + \omega_{n_z}^2)(s^2 + 2\zeta_\theta\omega_{n_\theta}s + \omega_{\theta_z}^2)(s + 5) \\ &= s^5 + 13.8139s^4 + 82.9192s^3 + 265.3469s^2 + 420.5664s + 325.3556, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (13.8139, \ 82.9192, \ 265.3469, \ 420.5664, \ 325.3556).$$

The augmented gains are therefore given as

$$\begin{aligned} K_1 &= (\boldsymbol{\alpha} - \mathbf{a}_{A_1})\mathcal{A}_{A_1}^{-1}\mathcal{C}_{A_1,B_1}^{-1} \\ &= (31.2675 \ -23.0425 \ 5.2090 \ -10.2100 \ 12.5190) \end{aligned}$$

Step 3. The feedback gains are therefore given by

$$\begin{aligned} K &= K_1(1 : 2) = (31.2675 \ -23.0425 \ 5.2090 \ -10.2100) \\ k_I &= K_1(3) = 12.5190. \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, we could have used the following Python script

```
1 # ballbeam Parameter File
2 import numpy as np
3 import control as cnt
4 import sys
5 sys.path.append('.') # add parent directory
6 import ballbeamParam as P
7
8
9 #####
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10 #                               State Space
11 #####
12 # tuning parameters
13 tr_z = 1.2      # rise time for position
14 tr_theta = 0.5  # rise time for angle
15 zeta_z = 0.707  # damping ratio position
16 zeta_th = 0.707 # damping ratio angle
17 integrator_pole = -5.0
18
19
20 # State Space Equations
21 # xdot = A*x + B*u
22 # y = C*x
23 A = np.array([[0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
24               [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0],
25               [0.0, -P.g, 0.0, 0.0],
26               [-P.m1*P.g/((P.m2*P.length**2)/3.0+P.m1*(P.length/2.0)**2), 0.0, 0.0, 0.0]])
27
28 B = np.array([[0.0],
29               [0.0],
30               [0.0],
31               [P.length / (P.m2 * P.length ** 2 / 3.0 + P.m1 * P.length ** 2 / 4.0)]]
32
33 C = np.array([[1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0],
34               [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0]])
35
36 # form augmented system
37 A1 = np.matrix([[0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0],
38                 [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
39                 [0.0, -P.g, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0],
40                 [-P.m1*P.g/((P.m2*P.length**2)/3.0+P.m1*(P.length/2.0)**2), 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0],
41                 [-1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0]])
42
43 B1 = np.matrix([[0.0],
44                 [0.0],
45                 [0.0],
46                 [P.length/(P.m2*P.length**2/3.0+P.m1*P.length**2/4.0)],
47                 [0.0]])
48
49 # gain calculation
50 wn_th = 2.2/tr_theta # natural frequency for angle
51 wn_z = 2.2/tr_z      # natural frequency for position
52 des_char_poly = np.convolve(
53     np.convolve([1, 2*zeta_z*wn_z, wn_z**2],
54                 [1, 2*zeta_th*wn_th, wn_th**2]),

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55     np.poly(integrator_pole))
56 des_poles = np.roots(des_char_poly)
57
58 # Compute the gains if the system is controllable
59 if np.linalg.matrix_rank(cnt.ctrb(A1, B1)) != 5:
60     print("The system is not controllable")
61 else:
62     K1 = cnt.acker(A1, B1, des_poles)
63     K = np.matrix([K1.item(0), K1.item(1), K1.item(2), K1.item(3)])
64     ki = K1.item(4)
65
66 print('K: ', K)
67 print('ki: ', ki)

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Python code that implements the associated controller listed below.

```

1  import numpy as np
2  import ballbeamParam as P
3  import ballbeamParamHW12 as P12
4
5  class ballbeamController:
6      def __init__(self):
7          self.integrator = 0.0 # integrator
8          self.error_d1 = 0.0 # error signal delayed by 1 sample
9          self.K = P12.K # state feedback gain
10         self.ki = P12.ki # Integral gain
11         self.limit = P.Fmax # Maximum force
12         self.Ts = P.Ts # sample rate of controller
13
14     def update(self, z_r, x):
15         z = x.item(0)
16         # integrate error
17         error = z_r - z
18         self.integrateError(error)
19         # Construct the linearized state
20         x_tilde = x - np.array([[P.ze], [0], [0], [0]])
21         zr_tilde = z_r - P.ze
22
23         # equilibrium force
24         F_e = P.m1*P.g*P.ze/P.length + P.m2*P.g/2.0
25         # Compute the state feedback controller
26         F_tilde = -self.K @ x_tilde - self.ki*self.integrator
27         F_unsat = F_e + F_tilde
28         F = self.saturate(F_unsat)

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29         self.integratorAntiWindup(F, F_unsat)
30         return F
31
32     def differentiateZ(self, z):
33         self.z_dot = self.beta*self.z_dot + (1-self.beta)*((z - self.z_d1) / self.Ts)
34         self.z_d1 = z
35
36     def differentiateTheta(self, theta):
37         self.theta_dot = self.beta*self.theta_dot + (1-self.beta)*((theta - self.theta_d1) / self.Ts)
38         self.theta_d1 = theta
39
40     def integrateError(self, error):
41         self.integrator = self.integrator + (self.Ts/2.0)*(error + self.error_d1)
42         self.error_d1 = error
43
44     def integratorAntiWindup(self, F, F_unsat):
45         if self.ki != 0.0:
46             self.integrator = self.integrator + P.Ts/self.ki*(F-F_unsat)
47
48     def saturate(self,u):
49         if abs(u) > self.limit:
50             u = self.limit*np.sign(u)
51         return u

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The complete simulation files are contained on the wiki associated with this book.