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**ECE 4550 — Control System Design — Summer 2020**

**Problem Set #9: Comparison of Two Implementations of Integral Control**

The objective of this problem set is to help you understand the distinctions between two design philosophies when developing integral controllers. Submit your solution online by 7/21.

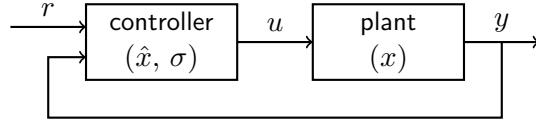
Consider a continuous-time plant

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t)\end{aligned}$$

and a corresponding discrete-time controller

$$\begin{aligned}\begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}[k+1] \\ \sigma[k+1] \end{bmatrix} &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix}}_F \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}[k] \\ \sigma[k] \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix}}_G \begin{bmatrix} y[k] \\ r[k] \end{bmatrix} \\ u[k] &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * \end{bmatrix}}_H \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}[k] \\ \sigma[k] \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

where  $*$  entries are chosen by the designer. The block diagram



visually illustrates how the plant and controller are connected where

$$r[k] = r(kT), \quad y[k] = y(kT), \quad u(t) = u[k] \quad \forall t \in [kT, kT + T)$$

defines the action of the interfacing data converters with update period  $T$ .

1. This problem focuses on indirect digital design (i.e. continuous-time philosophy). In this approach, there are two steps: (i) the controller is designed as a continuous-time system; (ii) an approximating discrete-time controller is determined. The first step is based on

$$\begin{aligned}u(t) &= -K_1\hat{x}(t) - K_2\sigma(t) \\ \dot{\hat{x}}(t) &= A\hat{x}(t) + Bu(t) - L(C\hat{x}(t) - y(t)) \\ \dot{\sigma}(t) &= y(t) - r(t)\end{aligned}$$

where  $L$  satisfies

$$\det(sI - (A - LC)) = (s + \lambda_e)^n$$

and  $K$  satisfies

$$\det(sI - (\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}\mathcal{K})) = (s + \lambda_r)^{n+1}$$

with

$$\mathcal{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{B} = \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{K} = [K_1 \ K_2].$$

If using the forward Euler approximation method, the second step is based on

$$\begin{aligned} u[k] &= -K_1\hat{x}[k] - K_2\sigma[k] \\ \hat{x}[k+1] &= \hat{x}[k] + T(A\hat{x}[k] + Bu[k] - L(C\hat{x}[k] - y[k])) \\ \sigma[k+1] &= \sigma[k] + T(y[k] - r[k]). \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Derive general expressions for controller matrices  $F$ ,  $G$  and  $H$ .
  - (b) Compute  $F$ ,  $G$  and  $H$  assuming that
- $$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = [1 \ 0], \quad \lambda_e = 12, \quad \lambda_r = 3, \quad T = 0.096.$$
- (c) Simulate the control system associated with (b) over time interval  $0 \leq t \leq 4$ , assuming that  $r(t) = 1$  and zero initial conditions for the plant and the controller. Use the attached Matlab simulation template with  $h = T/100$ , and provide the response plots.
2. This problem focuses on direct digital design (i.e. discrete-time philosophy). In this approach, there are two steps: (i) the plant is modeled as a discrete-time system; (ii) the controller is designed as a discrete-time system. The first step is based on

$$\begin{aligned} x[k+1] &= A_d x[k] + B_d u[k], \quad A_d = e^{AT}, \quad B_d = \int_0^T e^{At} B \ dt \\ y[k] &= C x[k] \end{aligned}$$

and the second step is based on

$$\begin{aligned} u[k] &= -K_1\hat{x}[k] - K_2\sigma[k] \\ \hat{x}[k+1] &= A_d\hat{x}[k] + B_d u[k] - L(C\hat{x}[k] - y[k]) \\ \sigma[k+1] &= \sigma[k] + T(y[k] - r[k]) \end{aligned}$$

where  $L$  satisfies

$$\det(zI - (A_d - LC)) = (z - \gamma_e)^n, \quad \gamma_e = e^{-\lambda_e T}$$

and  $\mathcal{K}$  satisfies

$$\det(zI - (\mathcal{A}_d - \mathcal{B}_d \mathcal{K})) = (z - \gamma_r)^{n+1}, \quad \gamma_r = e^{-\lambda_r T}$$

with

$$\mathcal{A}_d = \begin{bmatrix} A_d & 0 \\ TC & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{B}_d = \begin{bmatrix} B_d \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{K} = [K_1 \ K_2].$$

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Matlab Template for Control System Simulations  
Continuous-Time Plant and Discrete-Time Controller  
( $T$  = Timer ISR Period)

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for n = 0:length(t)-1

    %% discrete-time update

    if mod(n*h,T) == 0

        % sensor measurements
        y = C*x;
        r = ?;

        % controller output
        u = H*v;

        % controller dynamics
        v = F*v+G*[y;r];

    end

    %% continuous-time update

    % data logger
    Y(n+1) = C*x;
    U(n+1) = u;

    % plant dynamics
    x = x+h*(A*x+B*u);

end

subplot(211), plot(t,Y), xlabel('t'), ylabel('y')
subplot(212), stairs(t,U), xlabel('t'), ylabel('u')
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