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## Instructions:

*Total: 40 marks*

1. Write the answers **neatly** in the given boxes.
2. You may discuss the solutions with the other students, but you have to write them in your own words.

**Problem 1.** (20 points) Problem 7 in the Exercises of Chapter 2 in [LS15].[LS15] Edward A. Lee and Sanjit A. Seshia, Introduction to Embedded Systems, A Cyber-Physical Systems Approach, Second Edition, <http://LeeSeshia.org>, ISBN 978-1-312-42740-2, 2015.

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**Problem 2.** (10 points) The states of the linearized model of a vehicle steering system represent the lateral deviation of the vehicle from the x-axis and the angle between the vehicle axis and the x-axis. The output of the linearized model is only the first state. Construct a Simulink model for the vehicle steering system with its controller that includes an observer. The dynamics are available in Example 6.4 and Example 7.3 in [AM09]. Apply a sinusoidal signal as the reference trajectory that specifies the desired deviation of the vehicle from the x-axis with time. Plot the output (lateral deviation of the vehicle from the x-axis) with time.

[AM09] K. J. Astrom and R. M. Murray. Feedback Systems: An Introduction for Scientists and Engineers. Princeton University Press, 2009.

[http://www.cds.caltech.edu/~murray/books/AM05/pdf/am08-complete\\_22Feb09.pdf](http://www.cds.caltech.edu/~murray/books/AM05/pdf/am08-complete_22Feb09.pdf).

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**Problem 3.** (10 points) Consider the following model for a thermostat system.

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The thermostat has been designed to maintain the temperature of a room at  $T^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The model has two states: *cooling* and *heating*. When the system is in the *cooling* state and the temperature of the room goes below  $T^{\circ}\text{C}$ , the system generates a signal to switch on a heater and moves to the *heating* state. When the temperature of the room goes over  $T^{\circ}\text{C}$ , the system generates a signal to switch off the heater and moves to the *cooling* state.

- Represent the system as an actor that takes the current temperature as input and produces a signal to control the heater. The actor uses the set point  $T$  as a parameter.
  - Identify a design problem in the model.
  - Provide two different remedies to address the problem.
  - Compare your proposed two solutions in terms of ease of implementation and guaranties on the system behavior.
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