
Open book exam: Sontag, Mathematical Control Theory, Deterministic finite dimensional systems, 2nd edition, Springer. No other material is allowed.

There are 6 problems with 10 points each. They are not arranged in degree of difficulty. The mark E requires at least 12 points together with the successful homework and project work. Tentatively, D, C, B and A require at least 24p, 36p, 46p and 56p, respectively.

- (1) Consider the nonlinear system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= -x_1 + g(x_2) \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2 + h(x_1)\end{aligned}$$

where $g(0) = h(0) = 0$, and $|g(u)| \leq |u|/2$ and $|h(u)| \leq |u|/2$. Show that it is globally asymptotically stable.

- (2) Consider the dynamical system describing motion of a spinning body

$$\begin{aligned}I_1\dot{w}_1 &= (I_2 - I_3)w_2w_3 + N_1 \\ I_2\dot{w}_2 &= (I_3 - I_1)w_3w_1 + N_2 \\ I_3\dot{w}_3 &= (I_1 - I_2)w_1w_2 + N_3\end{aligned}$$

with $0 < I_1 < I_2 < I_3$. Here w_1, w_2, w_3 denote the rate of spinning of the body around its principal axes, and the acceleration torques N_1, N_2, N_3 are inputs which can be achieved for example by electromotors mounted on the main axis of the spinning body.

- (a) Show that $(w_1^*, 0, 0)$, $(0, w_2^*, 0)$, $(0, 0, w_3^*)$ are equilibrium points when $N_1 = N_2 = N_3 = 0$, where $w_i^* > 0$, $i = 1, 2, 3$.
- (b) Show that the this body cannot spin in an asymptotically stable mode in the absence of the inputs.
- (c) Examine if this asymptotical stability can be achieved by exerting control using the linear theory (you only need to do so around one equilibrium point from (a)).
- (d) In case possible determine a state feedback that puts all poles at the negative eigenvalues of the linearized system matrix.
- (3) Consider the time-invariant closed-loop system

$$\dot{x} = (A + BNC)x, y = Cx, u = NCx$$

where $(A, B, C) \in \mathcal{S}_{n,m,p}$. The question arises whether for a given (A, B, C) there exists an N such that $A + BNC$ is Hurwitz. We call this *stabilizability by memoryless output feedback*.

- (a) Prove that if (A, B) is controllable, $p = n$ and $\det C \neq 0$, then stabilizability by memoryless output feedback is possible.
- (b) Prove that if (A, C) is observable $m = n$ and $\det B \neq 0$, then stabilizability by memoryless output feedback is possible.
- (c) Prove that if $m = p = 1$ and $n > 1$ there exists $(A, B, C) \in \mathcal{S}_{n,1,1}^{\text{cont,obs}}$ and B, C both of full rank which cannot be stabilized by memoryless output feedback. (You can skip this part if you can solve the next problem correctly.)
- (d) Generalize the previous statement to $m + p \leq n$.
- (4) Consider

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} x + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} u$$

Is the system without control stable? (motivate your answer). Is it possible to find a vector K such that the system with the feedback $u = Kx + v$ has its poles at $-2, -2, -1, -1$. Determine K if the answer is affirmative otherwise show that it is impossible. Is it possible to place all poles at -2 ?

- (5) Let A, B and $Q = Q'$ be given constant matrices of appropriate dimensions. Assume that $\Phi(t, s)$ is the state transition matrix of $\dot{x} = Ax$ and $W(t_0, t_1)$ is the controllability gramian for $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$, $t_0 \leq t \leq t_1$. Consider the Riccati differential equation for $t_0 \leq t \leq t_1$,

$$\dot{K}(t) = -A'K(t) - KA + KBB'K, K(t_1) = Q.$$

- (a) Show that if $K(t)$ is invertible then $K^{-1}(t)$ satisfies a differential Lyapunov equation.
 (b) Show that $K^{-1}(t) = \Phi(t, t_1)Q\Phi(t, t_1)' + W(t, t_1)$
 (c) Let $\eta = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} u(t)'u(t)dt + x(t_1)'Qx(t_1)$. Find u (in terms of the results from previous partial problems) such that η is minimized subject to $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$, $x(t_0) = x_0$ given
- (6) (a) Show that any pair $(A_1, b) \in \mathcal{S}_{3,1}$ with

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

is always uncontrollable.

- (b) Find condition on c so that (A_2, c) will always be observable when

$$A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (c) What conclusion will you draw in context of controllability and observability if more than one independent eigenvector can be associated with a single eigenvalue of A ? Justify your conclusion.
 (d) Assume $(A, b, c) \in \mathcal{S}_{n,1,1}$ is minimal and that $a(s) = \det(sI - A)$ has a repeated root. Prove that A cannot be diagonalized by a similarity transformation.

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