

Automatic Control A

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Exercise 1

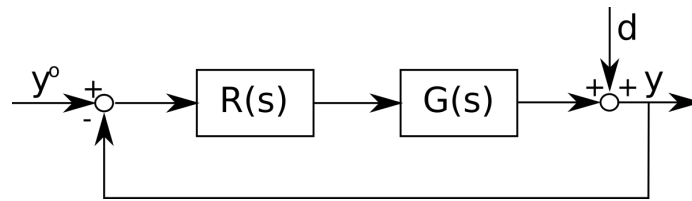
Consider the following time invariant dynamical system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -2x_1 + e^2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_2 + u \\ y = x_2 \end{cases}$$

1. Compute the state and output equilibrium corresponding to $u(t) = \bar{u}$.
2. Perform stability analysis. Is stability a property of the equilibrium point or of the system? Clearly motivate the answer.
3. Write the expression of the state and output trajectory generated by the initial state $x(0) = [0 \ 1]$ and by the input $u(t) = \text{sca}(t)$.

Exercise 2

Consider the following control loop



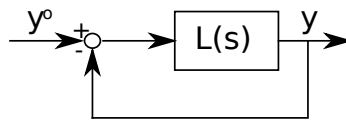
where $G(s) = 10 \frac{1-s}{1+10s}$.

1. Compute the transfer function $R(s)$ of a controller, with order less or equal to 4, in such a way that:

- $|e_\infty| = 0$ for $y^o(t) = A \sin(\omega_D t)$, where A is an arbitrary real constant, and $d(t) = 0$;
- a disturbance $d(t) = D \sin(\omega_D t)$, where D is an arbitrary constant and $\omega_D \leq 0.003 \text{ rad/s}$, is attenuated on the output of 1000 times;
- $\varphi_m \geq 50^\circ$ and $\omega_c \geq 0.1 \text{ rad/s}$;
- the control effort is limited.

Exercise 3

Consider the following closed-loop system



where $L(s) = \rho \frac{(s+2)(s-1)}{s(s^2+2s+2)}$.

1. Sketch the direct and inverse root loci.

2. Using the previous root loci, find the values of $\rho > 0$ for which the closed-loop system is asymptotically stable.

Exercise 4

Consider the following discrete time dynamical system

$$\begin{cases} x_1(k+1) = x_1(k) + u(k) \\ x_2(k+1) = -x_2(k) + u(k) \\ y(k) = x_1(k) + x_2(k) \end{cases}$$

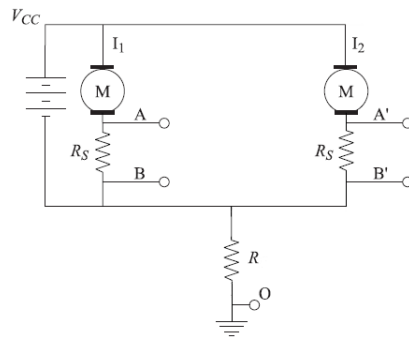
1. Is the system stable, unstable or asymptotically stable?
2. Write the expression of the state and output trajectory generated by the initial state $x(0) = [x_1(0) \ x_2(0)]$ and by the input $u(k) = \text{sca}(k)$.
3. Sketch the zero-input state response to the initial states $x(0) = [1 \ 0]$ and $x(0) = [0 \ 1]$.

Exercise 5

1. Consider an elastic servomechanism characterized by $J_m = 0.05 \text{ Kgm}^2$, $\rho = 2$, $K_{el} = 2000 \text{ Nm/rad}$, design a PI velocity controller.
2. Compute the sampling period for a digital realization of the PI velocity controller and determine the expression of its transfer function using Tustin method.
3. Sketch the diagram of a PI regulator including the anti-windup function.

Exercise 6

Consider the following circuit



where the currents flowing into the two motors can be measured through a differential measurement (v_{AB} or $v_{A'B'}$) or a single-ended measurement (v_{AO} or $v_{A'O}$). R is the resistance of the ground connection.

1. Compute the measurement errors related to a differential measurement and a single-ended measurement. What are the reasons of these errors?
2. Design an amplification circuit, characterised by an amplification factor of 10, for measurements v_{AB} and $v_{A'O}$, and show how it is connected to the system.
3. Modify the conditioning circuit of $v_{A'O}$ including a low-pass filter, with cut-off frequency 10 Hz , before the amplifier. Show how the circuit is connected to the system.