

Department of **AUTOMATIC CONTROL** 

## **Multivariable Control Exam**

Exam 2013-10-23

## Points and grades

All answers must include a clear motivation and a well-formulated answer. Answers may be given in English or Swedish. The total number of points is 25. The maximum number of points is specified for each subproblem.

## Accepted aid

The textbook *Glad & Ljung*, standard mathematical tables like TEFYMA, an authorized "Formelsamling i Reglerteknik"/"Collection of Formulas" and a pocket calculator. Handouts of lecture notes and lecture slides are also allowed.

## Results

The result of the exam will be posted on the notice-board at the Department. The result as well as solutions will be available on the course home page: http://www.control.lth.se/Education/EngineeringProgram/FRTN10.html



Figure 1 The system in problem 3.

1. Consider control of a MIMO system described by the transfer matrix

$$G(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s-1}{s+1} & \frac{9}{s+1} \\ \frac{1}{s+2} & \frac{1}{s+2} \end{bmatrix}$$

- a. Are there any fundamental limitations due to right half plane poles or zeros in the system? If so, which?(2 p)
- **b.** Find a state-space realization of the system. (2 p)
- 2. Consider a system described by

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y_1(s) \\ Y_2(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{1+s} & \frac{10s}{s+1} \\ \frac{10s}{s+1} & \frac{1}{1+s} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1(s) \\ U_2(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

We want to use decentralized control to keep  $y_1, y_2$  at their reference values in spite of disturbances close to sinusoidal with frequency 0.1 Hz. Suggest (if possible) a suitable input-output pairing for controlling  $y_1, y_2$ 

Suggest (if possible) a suitable input-output pairing for controlling  $y_1, y_2$  with two single-input/single-output controllers. (2 p)

- 3.
  - **a.** Consider the set-up in Figure 1. A controller will be designed to make x follow the reference signal r while limiting the control signal u. Introduce appropriate variables and rewrite the system on the form given in Figure 2. (2 p)
  - **b.** For the plant  $P_0(s) = \frac{1}{s+1}$ , two controllers  $C_1 = \frac{1}{s(s+1)}$  and  $C_2 = 2$  have been designed. Their performance have the following characteristics:

	$C_1$	$C_2$
Minimum value of $x(t)$ for $t \ge 5$ after a unit step in $r$	0.94	0.68
Maximum value of $u(t)$ for $t \ge 0$ after a unit step in $r$	1.3	2
$H_\infty$ norm of the closed loop transfer function from $r$ to $x$	1.35	0.67

Design a controller with  $\min_{t \in [5,\infty)} x(t) \ge 0.81$  and  $\max_{t \in [0,\infty)} u(t) \le 1.65$ when *r* is a unit step, while the  $H_{\infty}$  norm of the closed loop transfer function from *r* to *x* is at most 1.05. (2 p)



Figure 2 General form of a closed loop system.

4. Consider the system in Figure 3.



Figure 3 System for Problem 4.

Let the controller be a given by a static feedback gain K.

- **a.** For what values of K is the closed loop system stable when  $\Delta = 0$ . (1 p)
- **b.** What values of *K* keeps the closed loop system stable for every (stable)  $\Delta$  with gain less than one? (2 p)
- **5.** Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u + v, \\ y &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x + e, \\ \Phi_e &\equiv 1, \quad \Phi_v &\equiv \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

We want to control the system using LQG, where the cost function to minimize is

$$\mathbb{E}\left[y^T Q y + u^T R u\right], \quad Q = 10, \quad R = 1$$

- **a.** Determine the vector L in the feedback law  $u = -L\hat{x}$ . (3 p)
- **b.** Determine the vector *K* in the Kalman filter equation

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu + K(y - Cx)$$

Assume that e, v are uncorrelated white noise processes. (2 p)

**6.** Consider the system

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u + v$$
$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x + e$$

Assume that v, e are uncorrelated and white.

- I. Intensity of e = 1. Intensity of  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . II. Intensity of e = 1. Intensity of  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . III. Intensity of e = 100. Intensity of  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . IV. Intensity of e = 0.1. Intensity of  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- **a.** Pair the noise models I-IV with the corresponding (noise free) initial state convergence for the Kalman filters in plots A-D in Figure 4 (1 p)
- **b.** In which case is the Kalman-filter most sensitive to modelling errors in the system dynamics? (1 p)
- **c.** In which case is the Kalman-filter estimate most sensitive to measurement outliers (measurements were our noise-model isn't correct) (1 p)
- 7. Consider the system

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x_1} \\ \dot{x_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} u,$$
$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **a.** Is the system controllable and/or observable? (1 p)
- **b.** Determine the Hankel singular values. (1 p)
- **c.** Find a balanced realization. (1 p)
- **d.** Find a first order approximative model using balanced truncation. (1 p)



Figure 4 Initial state convergence of different Kalman filters for problem 6