

Institutionen för **REGLERTEKNIK**

FRTN10 Multivariable Control

Exam 2013-01-09

Points and grades

All answers must include a clear motivation. The total number of points is 25. The maximum number of points is specified for each subproblem.

Preliminary grades

- 3 12-16 points
- 4 17-21 points
- 5 22-25 points

Accepted aid

The textbook *Glad & Ljung*, standard mathematical tables like TEFYMA, an authorized "Formelsamling i reglerteknik" and a pocket calculator. Copies of lecture notes will be distributed at the exam.

Results

The exam results will be posted on the course web page.

1. A process with two inputs and two outputs is described by the following state-space equation,

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$$
$$y(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t)$$

with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & c \\ 10 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

a. For what values of c does the system have right half plane zeros? (1 p)

- **b.** Determine observability for all real values of the parameter *c*. (1 p)
- **c.** Find the controllablity gramian for the system. (1 p)
- 2. A two-input-one-output system has the transfer matrix

$$G(s) = \begin{pmatrix} G_{yu}(s) & G_{yd}(s) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{s^2 + 3s + 2} & \frac{1}{s+1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

from control signal u and disturbance d to output y.

- **a.** Find a state-space realization of this system. The realization should be of order two. (2 p)
- **b.** The disturbance d has spectrum

$$\Phi_d(\omega) = rac{1}{\omega^4 + 5\omega^2 + 4}$$

Find a linear system H(s) such that d is the output when the input to H(s) is white noise with intensity 1. (1 p)

- **c.** Expand the state-space model from **a** so that the disturbance input d is replaced by a white-noise input w. (1 p)
- 3. Consider the system in Figure 1. The process is modelled as a first order system, but there is some doubt on how good this model is. Therefore, an uncertain Δ -block has been added in the block diagram. It is assumed that $||\Delta||_{\infty} < 1$, but nothing else is known about Δ .
 - **a.** The controller is a simple proportional controller with gain K and the weight is

$$W(s) = \frac{s}{s+3}$$

For what values, positive or negative, of K can you guarantee that the system is stable? (2 p)

b. In which of the two diagrams in Figure 2 do the dotted lines illustrate the uncertainty in the Bode amplitude plot of the process? Motivate your choice.
(1 p)



Figur 1 System in problem 3.



Figur 2 Amplitude uncertainties in system in problem 3.

4. A control engineer is asked to find a controller for a double tank system consisting of a large and a small tank in series. The following transfer function has been chosen to model this process

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)(100s+1)}.$$

The engineer decides to use an IMC controller with

$$Q(s) = \frac{G^{-1}(s)}{(\lambda s + 1)^n}$$

where *n* is chosen such that Q(s) has relative degree 0.

To the engineer's surprise, the closed loop system from the reference r to the process output y, see Figure 3, can be made arbitrarily fast.

- **a.** Find parameter values that makes the slowest poles in the transfer function from r to y at least 100 times faster than the slowest pole of G(s). Determine the corresponding controller C(s). (2 p)
- **b.** The control engineer soon discovers that no matter how fast the response from r to y is made, the closed loop response due to a load disturbance (d to y) will still be very slow. Explain why. (1 p)



Figur 3 The closed loop control system in Problem 4.

5. Consider the first order system

$$\dot{x} = -x + u + v_1$$
$$y = x + v_2$$

where u(t) is the control signal, while $v_1(t)$ and $v_2(t)$ are independent zero mean white noise processes with intensity 1.

a. Construct a state feedback controller that minimizes the stationary cost

$$\mathbf{E}\left(2x(t)^2 + u(t)^2\right) \tag{2 p}$$

b. Construct an output feedback LQG controller that minimizes

$$\mathbf{E}\left(2y(t)^2+u(t)^2\right)$$

(2 p)

- **c.** Where are the poles of the closed loop system located in the previous two subproblems? (2 p)
- d. Consider instead the stationary cost

$$\mathbf{E}\left(y(t)^2 + \psi u(t)^2\right)$$

where $\psi > 0$. What value of ψ gives the same control law as in **a**? (1 p)

6. Consider the closed loop SISO system presented in Figure 4 where y is the output, u control signal, and d, v are disturbances. The same system can be represented by the diagram Figure 5 where

$$w = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} \qquad z = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ \bar{u} \end{pmatrix}$$

a. Given the process transfer function $P_o(s)$ and the weighting functions $W_1(s)$, $W_2(s)$, determine the transfer matrix

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} P_{zw}(s) & P_{zu}(s) \\ P_{yw}(s) & P_{yu}(s) \end{array} \right)$$

such that the two diagrams become equivalent. (2 p)

- **b.** Determine the closed loop transfer function matrix from w_2 to z. (2 p)
- c. Assume that v is a low frequency output disturbance. Choose a $W_2(s)$ such that the constraint $||W_2(i\omega)S(i\omega)||_{\infty} \leq 1$, where S(s) is the sensitivity function, will give closed-loop attenuation of v at low frequencies. (1 p)



Figur 4 The closed loop system in Problem 6.



Figur 5 General form of a closed loop system in Problem 6.