ECE 463/663 - Test #2: Name

Due midnight Sunday, March 30th. Individual Effort Only (no working in groups)



The linearized dynamics for a ball and beam system (homework #4) are:

$$s\begin{bmatrix} r\\ \theta\\ \dot{r}\\ \dot{\theta}\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1\\ 0 & -7 & 0 & 0\\ -7.434 & 0 & 0 & 0\end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix} r\\ \theta\\ \dot{r}\\ \dot{\theta}\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 0\\ 0\\ 0.345\end{bmatrix}T$$

The ball is to move back and forth following R(t) from -1m to +1m and back, repeating every 4π seconds:



You can approximate R(t) using the first-three terms in its Fourier series expansion:

 $R(t) = \left(\frac{8}{\pi^2}\right)\cos\left(0.5t\right) + \left(\frac{8}{9\pi^2}\right)\cos\left(1.5t\right) + \left(\frac{8}{25\pi^2}\right)\cos\left(2.5t\right)$

Problem 1) Controller Design (50 points)

Design a feedback controller to track R(t) (pick one method)

• (30 points partial credit) Using full-state feedback (no servo compensator)

$$U = K_r R - K_x X$$

- (40 points partial credit) Using a servo compensator that tracks the 0.5 rad/sec term for R(t)
 - $U = -K_z Z K_x X$
- (50 points full credit) Using a servo compensator that tracks the {0.5, 1.5, 2.5} rad/sec terms for R(t)

 $U = -K_z Z - K_x X$

Provide in your solutions

- A block diagram of your plant and controller
- Calculations (Matlab code and results) for computing your feedback control gains
- The response of the linear system to R(t),
- The response of the nonlinear simulation to R(t) with your control law with
 - m = 2.2 kg (nominal case)
 - m = 2.5 kg (disturbance)
- The Matlab code for the main routine in the nonlinear simulation, including your control law.

Start with a servo-compensator with poles at {+/-0.5i, +/- 1.5i, +/- 2.5i}

$$sZ = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2.5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Z + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} (R-y)$$

Use full-state feedback to stabilize the system

poles =
$$\{-0.3, -2.68, -0.3 \pm j2.68, -0.3 \pm j0.5, -0.3 \pm j1.5, -0.3 \pm j2.5\}$$

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% ECE 463/663 Test2
% Problem 1
% Plant
A = [0,0,1,0;0,0,0,1;0,-7,0,0;-7.434,0,0,0];
B = [0;0;0;0.345];
C = [1,0,0,0];
Az = [0,0.5,0,0,0,0;-0.5,0,0,0,0,0,0];
Az = [Az;0,0,0,1.5,0,0;0,0,-1.5,0,0,0];
Az = [Az;0,0,0,0,0,2.5;0,0,0,0,-2.5,0];
Bz = ones(6,1);
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Create the augmented system (plant & servo compensator)

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A10 = [A, zeros(4, 6); Bz*C, Az]
B10u = [B; 0*Bz]
B10r = [0*B; -Bz]
C10 = [1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0];
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Find the feedback gains using pole-placement

P = eig(Az) - 0.3; P = [P; -0.3; -2.68; -0.3+2.68i; -0.3-2.68i]; K10 = ppl(A10, B10u, P)' Kx = K10(1:4) Kx = -36.1290 51.1838 -16.5768 15.5942 Kz = K10(5:10) Kz = 0.8001 -2.0479 3.8109 -2.7128 3.1046 0.4488

Check: is the closed-loop system stable?

eig(A10 - B10u*K10) -2.6800 -0.3000 + 2.6800i -0.3000 - 2.6800i -0.3000 + 2.5000i -0.3000 - 2.5000i -0.3000 + 1.5000i -0.3000 - 1.5000i -0.3000 + 0.5000i -0.3000 - 0.5000i

Simulate the response to r(t). I had problems putting r(t) into Matlab, so I used the Fourier series expansion out to ten terms:

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r(t) = \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \left(\frac{8}{n^2 \pi^2}\right) \cos(0.5nt)

t = [0:0.01:40]';

dt = 0.01;

t = [0:dt:40]';

R = 0*t;

R(1) = 1;

dR = 1/pi * dt;

for i=2:length(t)

R(i) = R(i-1) + dR;

if(abs(R(i)) > 1) dR = -dR; end

end
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r(t): a triangle wave going from -1 to +1

Simulate the response of the plant to r(t)

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X0 = zeros(10,1);
y = step3(A10-B10u*K10, B10r, C10, 0, t, X0, R);
plot(t,y,'b',t,R,'r')
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not perfect, but as good as you can do with only the first three harmonics

Nonlinear System Response:



Code:

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% Ball & Beam System
% ECE 463/663 Test #2 (Sp25)
X = [-1, 0, 0, 0]';
dt = 0.01;
t = 0;
n = 0;
y = [];
% Plant
A = [0, 0, 1, 0; 0, 0, 0, 1; 0, -7, 0, 0; -7.434, 0, 0, 0];
B = [0;0;0;0.345];
C = [1, 0, 0, 0];
% Servo Compensator
Az = [0, 0.5, 0, 0, 0, 0; -0.5, 0, 0, 0, 0];
Az = [Az; 0, 0, 0, 1.5, 0, 0; 0, 0, -1.5, 0, 0, 0];
Az = [Az; 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2.5; 0, 0, 0, 0, -2.5, 0];
Bz = ones(6, 1);
% Control Law
A10 = [A, zeros(4, 6); Bz*C, Az]
B10u = [B; 0*Bz]
B10r = [0*B; -Bz]
C10 = [1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0];
P = eig(Az) - 0.3;
P = [P; -0.3; -2.68; -0.3+2.68i; -0.3-2.68i];
K10 = ppl(A10, B10u, P)
Kx = K10(1:4);
Kz = K10(5:10);
Z = zeros(6, 1);
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dR = dt/pi;
Ref = -1;
while (t < 49)
Ref = Ref + dR;
 if (Ref > 1) dR = -dR; end
 if (Ref < -1) dR = -dR; end
 U = -Kz \star Z - Kx \star X;
 Y = X(1);
 dX = BeamDynamics(X, U);
 dZ = Az * Z + Bz * (Y - Ref);
 X = X + dX * dt;
 Z = Z + dZ * dt;
 Xe = X;
 t = t + dt;
 y = [y; Ref, X(1)];
 n = mod(n+1, 5);
 if(n == 0)
    BeamDisplay3(X, Xe, Ref);
 end
 end
t = [1:length(y)]' * dt;
plot(t,y(:,1),'r',t,y(:,2),'b');
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
ylabel('Ball Position');
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Problem 2: Observer Design (50 points)

Assume you can measure position (r) and angle (θ). Design a full-order observer assuming (pick one)

- (30 points partial credit) No disturbance
- (40 points partial credit) An input disturbance at 0.5 rad/sec,
- (50 points full credit) An input disturbance at {0.5, 1.5, 2.5} rad/sec

Start with an observer with poles at $\{-3, -4, -5, -6\}$. This tracks when m = 2.2kg. When m = 2.5kg, however, the observer no longer tracks due to the disturbance:

Observer Dynamics (full-order observer)

>> Ae					
-7.4	0 0 0 4340	-7.00	0 0 0 0 0	1.0000 0 0 0	1.00
>> Be					
0.3	0 0 0 3450				
>> Ce					
Ce =	1	0	0	0	
>> H					
18.0 -48.8 119.0 -58.8	0000 3571 0000 3626				
>> eig	(Ae - 1	H*Ce)			
-6.(-5.(-4.(-3.(0000 0000 0000 0000				

Response of the nonlinear simulation:



Observer with m = 2.5kg (no disturbance modeled)



Nonlinear Response when m = 2.5kg Blue = Ref, Green = Position, Teal = Estimated Position Red = Angle, Magenta = Estimated Position

>> Ae 0 0 1.0000 0 0 0 0 1.0000 0 0 0 0 -7.0000 0 0 0 0 0 0 -7.4340 0 0 0.3450 0 0 0 0 0.5000 0 0 0 0 0 0 -0.50000 >> Be 0 0 0 0.3450 0 0 >> Ce 1 0 0 0 0 0 >> H 1.0e+003 * 0.0210 -0.1211 0.1832 -0.3188 -1.1924 -1.0279 >> eig(Ae-H*Ce) -4.0000 -3.8000 -3.6000 -3.4000 -3.2000 -3.0000

Trying again: add a disturbance at 0.5 rad/sec to the observer

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Nonlinear System Response



With the disturbance at 0.5 rad/sec modeled, the observer tracks much better



Nonlinear Response when m = 2.5kg Blue = Ref, Green = Position, Teal = Estimated Position Red = Angle, Magenta = Estimated Position

>> Ae							
0 0 -7.4340 0 0 0	0 0 -7.0000 0 0 0 0	1.0000 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 1.0000 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0.3450 0 -0.5000 0 0	0 0 0.5000 0 0	0 0.3450 0 0 -1.5000	0 0 0 0 0 1.5000 0
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0 0 0.3450 0 0 0 0							
>> Ce							
1	0 0	0 0	0 0	0			
>> H							
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>> eig(Ae-H	[*Ce)						
-4.4000 -4.2000 -3.8000 -3.6000 -3.4000 -3.2000 -3.0000							

Adding disturbances at {0.5 rad/sec, 1.5 rad/sec} to the observer

Nonlinear System Response





The final system is 18th-order (!)

- 4 poles for the plant
- 6 poles for the servo compensator
- 4 poles for the full-order observer
- 4 poles for the disturabance

Final Code:

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% Ball & Beam System
% ECE 463/663 Test #2 (Sp25)
X = [0, 0, 0, 0]';
dt = 0.01;
t = 0;
n = 0;
y = [];
% Plant
A = [0, 0, 1, 0; 0, 0, 0, 1; 0, -7, 0, 0; -7, 434, 0, 0, 0];
B = [0;0;0;0.345];
C = [1, 0, 0, 0];
% Servo Compensator
Az = [0, 0.5, 0, 0, 0, 0; -0.5, 0, 0, 0, 0];
Az = [Az; 0, 0, 0, 1.5, 0, 0; 0, 0, -1.5, 0, 0, 0];
Az = [Az; 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2.5; 0, 0, 0, 0, -2.5, 0];
Bz = ones(6,1);
% Control Law
A10 = [A, zeros(4, 6); Bz*C, Az]
B10u = [B; 0*Bz]
B10r = [0*B; -Bz]
C10 = [1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0];
P = eig(Az) - 0.5;
P = [P; -0.5; -2.68; -0.5+2.68i; -0.5-2.68i];
K10 = ppl(A10, B10u, P);
Kx = K10(1:4);
Kz = K10(5:10);
Z = zeros(6, 1);
% Full-Order Observer
Ad = [0, 0.5, 0, 0; -0.5, 0, 0, 0; 0, 0, 0, 1.5; 0, 0, -1.5, 0];
Cd = [1, 0, 1, 0];
% Input disturbance at 0.5 and 1.5 rad/sec
Ae = [A, B*Cd; zeros(4, 4), Ad];
Be = [B; zeros(4, 1)];
Ce = [C, 0*Cd];
H = ppl(Ae', Ce', [-3, -3.2, -3.4, -3.6, -3.8, -4, -4.2, -4.4])';
Xe = [X ; zeros(4, 1)];
dR = dt/pi;
Ref = 0;
% main loop
while((t < 49) & (abs(X(1))<2))
Ref = Ref + dR;
 if (Ref > 1) dR = -dR; end
 if (Ref < -1) dR = -dR; end
 U = -Kz \star Z - Kx \star X;
 Y = X(1);
 dX = BeamDynamics(X, U);
 dZ = Az \star Z + Bz \star (Y - Ref);
 dXe = Ae^*Xe + Be^*U + H^*(C^*X - Ce^*Xe);
 X = X + dX * dt;
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Z = Z + dZ * dt;
Xe = Xe + dXe * dt;
t = t + dt;
y = [y ; Ref, X(1), X(2), Xe(1), Xe(2)];
n = mod(n+1,5);
if(n == 0)
BeamDisplay3(X, Xe, Ref);
end
end
t = [1:length(y)]' * dt;
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plot(t,y);
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
ylabel('Ball Position');
```



Block diagram for the Plant, Servo Compensator, Disturbance, Observer, and Full-State Feedback

notes:

- For the nonlinear system, Kx feeds back the actual states
- The system is unstable if you use the estimated states due to the nonlinearities in the plant - beam inertia varies from 0.2 to 21.7 kg m2 as the ball goes from r=0 to r=1
- If you change the beam inertia to 7 and redo the entire design, then the observer states could be used
 - beam inertia now varies from 7 to 28.5 kg m2 as the ball goes from r=0 to r=1
 - feedback is able to handle this

Starting Code

```
% Ball & Beam System
% Test #2 (Spring 2025)
X = [-1, 0, 0, 0]';
dt = 0.01;
t = 0;
n = 0;
y = [];
% Plant
A = [0, 0, 1, 0; 0, 0, 0, 1; 0, -7, 0, 0; -7.434, 0, 0, 0];
B = [0;0;0;0.345];
C = [1, 0, 0, 0];
% Control Law (needs to change)
Kx = [-31 \quad 101 \quad -21 \quad 29];
Kr = -21;
% Full-Order Observer (needs to change)
Ae = A;
Be = B;
Ce = C;
H = [0 0 0 0]';
Xe = X;
% Ramp Input
dR = dt/pi;
Ref = -1;
while(t < 40)
Ref = Ref + dR;
 if (abs(Ref) > 1) dR = -dR; end
 U = Kr*Ref - Kx*X;
 dX = BeamDynamics(X, U);
 dXe = Ae^{*}Xe + Be^{*}U + H^{*}(C^{*}X - Ce^{*}Xe);
X = X + dX * dt;
% Observer (cheating for now)
Xe = X + [0.1, 0, 0, 0]';
 t = t + dt;
 y = [y; Ref, X(1)];
 n = mod(n+1, 5);
 if(n == 0)
    BeamDisplay3(X, Xe, Ref);
 end
 end
t = [1:length(y)]' * dt;
plot(t,y(:,1),'r',t,y(:,2),'b');
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
ylabel('Ball Position');
```