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EEE 550 – ADVANCED CONTROL SYSTEMS

Time : 3 Hours

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATE:-

Please ensure that this examination paper contains **SEVEN** (7) printed pages with 1 **Appendix** and **SIX** (6) question before answering.

Answer **FIVE** (5) questions.

Distribution of marks for each question is given accordingly.

All questions must be answered in English.

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1. A plant for a control system is modelled by:

$$x(k) = \frac{bz^{-1}}{1+az^{-1}}u(k)$$

$$y(k) = x(k) + n(k)$$

where $u(k)$ and $y(k)$ are the input and output of the plant, respectively. Using the data in Table 1 estimate:

(a) a and b using LMS algorithm, set $\gamma = 0.1$ (40%)

(b) a and b using exponential weighted recursive least squares algorithm. Set the initial values of $P = 1000I$, $\lambda = 0.95$ and others to 0.

(60%)

Table 1

k	1	2	3	4
$u(k)$	-1.67	0.13	0.29	-1.15
$y(k)$	-0.45	-1.97	-1.25	-0.55

2. Pulse transfer function for sampling time of 0.2s of a continuous plant is given as:

$$G(z) = \frac{0.1z + 0.03}{z^2 - 1.2z + 0.25}$$

The controller structure is selected to be as follows,

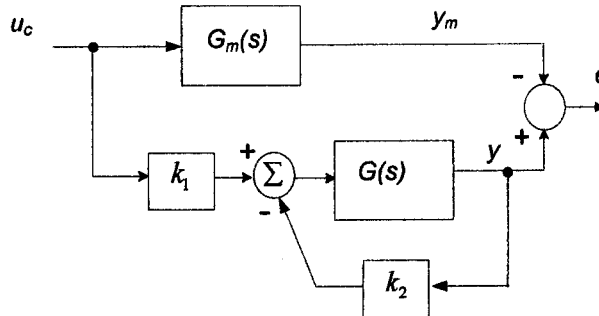
$$Ru(t) = Tu_c(t) - Sy(t)$$

where u , u_c and y are the control signal, command signal and output signal, respectively. If the model is selected such that $A_m = z^2 - 1.1z + 0.3$ and B_m to give unity steady-state output for unit step input, design a STR using minimum-degree pole placement algorithm without zero cancellation. Show all your design steps and state all your assumptions.

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3. A Model Reference Adaptive System (MRAS) is selected to have the following structure:



It is desired to adjust k_1 and k_2 such that the output of the plant $G(s)$ will follow the output of the model $G_m(s)$. If transfer functions of the plant and model are given as:

$$G(s) = \frac{0.5}{s+1} \quad \text{and} \quad G_m(s) = \frac{2}{s+2},$$

- (a) Calculate the actual value of k_1 and k_2 . (25%)
 - (b) Design a MRAS controller to update k_1 and k_2 based on MIT Rule by assigning $\gamma = 0.1$. Show all your design steps and state all your assumptions. (50%)
 - (c) Draw the complete block diagram of the MRAS based on your design in (b). (25%)
4. (a) By using a suitable diagram, discuss the principle of tuning a controller based on model identification. (20%)
- (b) There are two rules proposed by Ziegler-Nichols for tuning PID (Proportional-Integral-Derivative) controller parameters.
- [i] Discuss the conditions under which each rule is applicable/inapplicable. (10%)

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- [ii] By using suitable time-response diagrams, explain how to determine the three controller parameters using each rule.

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- (c) Consider the system shown in Figure 4(a).

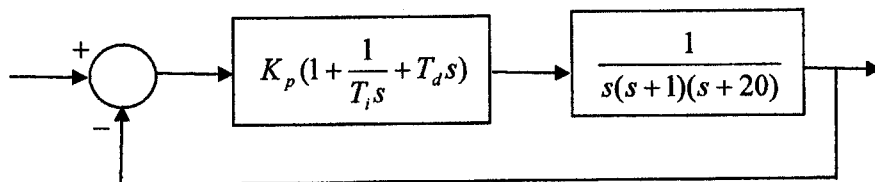


Figure 4(a)

Using a suitable Ziegler-Nichols tuning rule, determine

- [i] the values of K_p , T_i , and T_d . (30%)

- [ii] the location of the double zeros of the controller. (10%)

- [iii] the closed-loop transfer function of the overall system. (10%)

5. (a) [i] By using a suitable diagram, discuss the principle of gain scheduling in a control system. (20%)

- [ii] What is the main problem in the design of systems with gain scheduling. (10%)

- [iii] Discuss two approaches which are useful in the design of gain-scheduling controllers. Give an example for each approach. (20%)

- (b) Consider the following state-space representation of a system,

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ -12 & -7 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = Cx \quad \text{or} \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- [i] Define a set of new state variables and find a transformation matrix to obtain a diagonal Canonical form of the state matrix, **A**. (20%)
- [ii] Find the new state equation and output equation of the system. (20%)
- [iii] Discuss the properties of the new state matrix. (10%)

6. (a) Consider a tank in which the cross section A varies with height h . The model is

$$V = \int_0^h A(\tau) d\tau \quad \frac{dV}{dt} = A(h) \frac{dh}{dt} = q_i - a\sqrt{2gh}$$

where V is the volume, q_i is the input flow, and a is the cross section of the output pipe. Define q_i as the input and h as the output of the system. A PI controller is used to control the system. Given the transfer function of the linearised model at an operating point q_m^o and h^o as

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{s + \frac{A(h^o)}{2A(h^o)h^o} q_m^o}$$

- [i] obtain the closed-loop transfer function of the system (with the PI controller). (10%)
- [ii] determine the values of K_p and T_i in terms of q_m^o , h^o , A , ω_n (natural frequency), and ζ (damping ratio) (20%)
- [iii] discuss how gain scheduling could be applied in the above system (10%)

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- (b) [i] Use a suitable diagram to illustrate problem of computational delay, and discuss its significance in practical implementation of a digital controller. (10%)
- [ii] Propose a method to tackle the problem of computational delay. (20%)
- (c) A plant with transfer function $G_p(s)$ is to be controlled by using a PID controller. Two practical configurations for implementing the PID controller are PI-D-controlled and I-PD-controlled approaches.

Referring to *EITHER ONE* of the approaches,

- [i] draw a block diagram to illustrate the overall system (with controller, disturbance, and noise). (10%)
- [ii] obtain the output (in the s-domain) of the system (with controller, disturbance, and noise). (10%)
- [iii] discuss the practical issues that could be overcome by using the approach. (10%)

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$$\hat{\theta} = (\varphi^T \varphi)^{-1} \varphi^T Y$$

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$$K(t) = P(t-1)\varphi(t) [\lambda + \varphi^T(t)P(t-1)\varphi(t)]^{-1}$$

$$P(t) = [I - K(t)\varphi^T(t)]P(t-1)/\lambda$$

$$\hat{\theta}(t) = \hat{\theta}(t-1) + K(t)[y(t) - \varphi^T(t)\hat{\theta}(t-1)]$$

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$$\hat{\theta}(t) = \hat{\theta}(t-1) + \gamma \varphi(k) [y(k) - \varphi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k-1)]$$

Minimum-degree pole placement algorithm without zero cancellation,

$$\deg A_0 = \deg A - \deg B^+ - 1$$

$$B^+ = 1$$

$$B^- = B = b_0 q + b_1$$

$$B_m = \beta B; \beta = \frac{A_m(1)}{B(1)}$$

$$T = \beta A_0$$

Diophantine Equation :

$$AR + BS = A_m A_0$$

$$(q^2 + a_1 q + a_2)(q + r_1) + (b_0 q + b_1)(s_0 q + s_1) = (q^2 + a_{m1} q + a_{m2})(q + a_0)$$