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Read before you start:

- There are four questions.
- The duration of the examination is 100 minutes.
- The examination is closed-book.
- Please explain all your answers.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total

Q1.

Consider the following system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{5} & \boxed{-3} & 3 & 1 \\ 6 & -4 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{-2} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{-5} & 0 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{0} \\ \boxed{-1} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u \\ y &= \boxed{2} \boxed{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} x \end{aligned}$$

$\swarrow A_c$ $\swarrow B_c$
 $\nwarrow C_c$ $\searrow A_0$

- (6) (a) Is this system in controllable decomposition form?
 (6) (b) Is this system stabilizable?
 (6) (c) Is this system BIBO stable?
 (7) (d) Determine, if possible, the range of $k \in \mathbb{R}$ for which the output feedback law $u = -ky$ renders the closed-loop system asymptotically stable.

a) check whether the pair (A_c, B_c) is controllable.

$$\text{rank} [B_c \ A_c B_c] = \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 2$$

$\Rightarrow$ YES the system is in con. decomp. form.

b) Check the eigenvalues of A_0 .

$$|sI - A_0| = \begin{vmatrix} s+2 & -1 \\ 5 & s \end{vmatrix} = s^2 + 2s + 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2}(A_0) = -1 \pm j2 \Rightarrow \text{Re}\{\lambda_{1,2}(A_0)\} < 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ YES the system is stabilizable.

c) check the poles of the TF.

$$H(s) = C_c [sI - A_c]^{-1} B_c$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s-5 & 3 \\ -6 & s+4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{s-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2 > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ NO the system is not BIBO stable.

d) Check the eigenvalues of $M = A_c - k B_c C_c$.

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 6 & -4 \end{bmatrix} - k \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 6+2k & -4-k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow |sI - M| = (s-5)(s+k+4) + 3(6+2k)$$

$$= s^2 + (k-1)s + k-2$$

$$= (s+1)(s+k-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2}(M) = -1, 2-k$$

For $\text{Re}\{\lambda_{1,2}(M)\} < 0$ we need k > 2

Q2.

Given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -0.5 & -1.5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

determine (without direct computation) whether a symmetric positive definite solution $P \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ exists or not for each of the following matrix (in)equalities.

(a) $AP + PA^T + BB^T = 0.$

(b) $A^T P + PA + BB^T = 0.$

(c) $APA^T - P - BB^T < 0.$

(d) $A^T P A - P - BB^T < 0.$

$$|sI - A| = \begin{vmatrix} s & -1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & s + \frac{3}{2} \end{vmatrix} = s(s + \frac{3}{2}) + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= (s+1)(s + \frac{1}{2})$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(A) = \lambda(A^T) = \{-1, -\frac{1}{2}\}$$

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$$\det [B \ AB] = \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (A, B) \text{ not controllable}$$

Let $v_1 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ be the eigenvector of A^T

for $\lambda_1 = -1$. Then

$$[sI - A^T]_{s=-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} v_1 = 0 \Rightarrow v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow B^T v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (A, B) \text{ not stabilizable in the DT sense.}$$

$$\det [B \ A^T B] = \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (A^T, B) \text{ controllable}$$

$$\Rightarrow (A^T, B) \text{ stabilizable}$$

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a) Since A is exp. stable (in the CT sense) this equation has a solution if and only if (A, B) is controllable. But (A, B) isn't controllable.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Solution } \boxed{\text{DOESN'T EXIST.}}$$

b) A^T is exp. stable and (A^T, B) controllable

$$\Rightarrow \text{Solution } \boxed{\text{EXISTS.}}$$

c) (A, B) is not stabilizable (in the DT sense)

$$\Rightarrow \text{Solution } \boxed{\text{DOESN'T EXIST.}}$$

d) (A^T, B) is stabilizable.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Solution } \boxed{\text{EXISTS.}}$$

Q3.

Consider the system

$$\dot{x} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_A x + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B u.$$

- (a) Is this system stable?
 (b) Is this system controllable?
 (c) Is this system stabilizable?
 (d) Find, if possible, a feedback gain $K \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}$ such that the feedback law $u = -Kx$ renders the closed-loop system asymptotically stable.

a) $|sI - A| = \begin{vmatrix} s & -4 \\ -2 & s-2 \end{vmatrix} = s^2 - 2s - 8 = (s-4)(s+2)$

$\lambda_1 = 4, \lambda_2 = -2 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 > 0$

$\Rightarrow$ NO the system is not stable.

b) $\det \begin{bmatrix} B & AB \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 0$

$\Rightarrow$ NO the system is not controllable.

c) Check the eigenvector v_1 of A^T for the unstable eigenvalue $\lambda_1 = 4$.

$$[sI - A^T]_{s=4} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} v_1 = 0 \Rightarrow v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$B^T v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ YES the system is stabilizable.

d) Let $K = [k_1 \ k_2]$

$$A - BK = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \\ k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -k_1 & 4-k_2 \\ 2-k_1 & 2-k_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow |sI - (A - BK)| = \begin{vmatrix} s+k_1 & k_2-4 \\ k_1-2 & s+k_2-2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (s+k_1)(s+k_2-2) - (k_1-2)(k_2-4)$$

$$= (s+2)(s+k_1+k_2-4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_{cl} = \{-2, -(k_1+k_2-4)\}$$

$\Rightarrow k_1+k_2 > 4$ achieves stabilization.

Choose, for instance,

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q4.

Definition. Let $\beta_i : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ be given. The functions $\beta_1(t), \beta_2(t), \dots, \beta_n(t)$ are said to be *linearly independent* if the equation

$$\alpha_1 \beta_1(t) + \alpha_2 \beta_2(t) + \dots + \alpha_n \beta_n(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

(where $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{R}$) has no solution other than the trivial solution: $\alpha_i = 0$ for all i .

Now, prove the following claim.

Claim. Let the system $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ (with $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$) be controllable. Then the entries of the vector $e^{At}B$ must be linearly independent.

Proof Suppose not. That is, (A, B) is cont. but the entries of $e^{At}B$ are linearly dep. Then we can find a nonzero $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that

$$\eta^T e^{At} B = 0 \quad \text{for all } t. \quad (1)$$

Using the properties of matrix exponential

$$\rightarrow e^{At} \Big|_{t=0} = I$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \{ e^{At} \} = A e^{At}$$

we can obtain from (1):

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \eta^T B &= 0 \\ \eta^T AB &= 0 \\ &\vdots \\ \eta^T A^{n-1} B &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} (2)$$

The set of equations (2) can be written as

$$\eta^T \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} B & AB & \dots & A^{n-1} B \end{bmatrix}}_C = 0$$

which implies $\text{rank } C \neq n$. Hence (A, B) is not controllable. The result follows by contradiction. $\square$

Alternative proof - Suppose not. Then we can find a nonzero $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that

$$\eta^T e^{At} B = 0 \quad \text{for all } t.$$

Construct the controllability gramian

$$W = \int_0^1 e^{At} B B^T e^{A^T t} dt$$

we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \eta^T W \eta &= \eta^T \int_0^1 e^{At} B B^T e^{A^T t} dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \underbrace{[\eta^T e^{At} B]}_0 B^T e^{A^T t} dt \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

which implies $\text{rank } W \neq n$. Hence (A, B) is not controllable. The result follows by contradiction. $\square$