

**First name:**\_\_\_\_\_**Last name:**\_\_\_\_\_**Student ID:**\_\_\_\_\_**Signature:**\_\_\_\_\_**Read before you start:**

- There are five questions.
- The examination is open-book.
- Besides correctness, the CLARITY of your presentation will also be graded.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Total

**Q1.**

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Consider the following system of order  $2n$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -Px_1 - Qx_2\end{aligned}$$

where  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . The matrix  $P$  is symmetric positive definite and  $Q$  is symmetric positive semidefinite.

- (a) By choosing an appropriate Lyapunov function find conditions<sup>1</sup> on the pair  $(P, Q)$  under which the origin is stable.
- (b) Using the same Lyapunov function find conditions on the pair  $(P, Q)$  under which the origin is asymptotically stable.

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<sup>1</sup>Conditions you find here (Q1) and in the following question (Q2) should be as unrestrictive as possible.

**Q2.**

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Consider the following system of order  $2n$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -Px_1 - Qx_2 + Ru \\ y &= Rx_2\end{aligned}$$

where  $x_1, x_2, u, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $P, Q, R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . The matrix  $P$  is symmetric positive definite and  $Q, R$  are symmetric positive semidefinite.

- (a) Find conditions on the triple  $(P, Q, R)$  under which the system is passive.
- (b) Find conditions on the triple  $(P, Q, R)$  under which the system is output strictly passive.
- (c) Find conditions on the triple  $(P, Q, R)$  under which the system is input-to-state stable.
- (d) Suppose both  $Q$  and  $R$  are positive definite. Find an upper bound on the  $\mathcal{L}_2$  gain of the system.

**Q3.**

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Consider the following system

$$\dot{x} = Ax - B\rho(Cx)$$

where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , and the function  $\rho : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is continuous. Suppose there exists a symmetric positive definite matrix  $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  satisfying  $PB = C^T$ . Further assume that  $\rho$  satisfies  $y^T \rho(y) > 0$  for all nonzero  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Show that this system cannot display finite escape times.

**Q4.**

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Consider the following linear system

$$\begin{aligned}x^+ &= Fx \\ y &= Hx\end{aligned}$$

where  $F \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $H \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$ . Suppose  $F$  is nonsingular and the pair  $(H, F)$  is observable. Show that applying Glad's observer construction to this system leads to the observer dynamics  $\hat{x}^+ = F\hat{x} + L(y - H\hat{x})$  for some constant matrix  $L \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ . Find a closed-form expression for this  $L$  (in terms of  $F$  and  $H$ ).

**Q5.**

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Consider the following system

$$x^+ = f(x)$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is continuous and  $f(0) = 0$ . Suppose the origin is globally exponentially stable. Let the function  $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be constructed as

$$V(x) = \|x\|^2 + \|f(x)\|^2 + \|f(f(x))\|^2 + \|f(f(f(x)))\|^2 + \dots$$

Show that there exist positive constants  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  such that  $V$  satisfies

$$c_1\|x\|^2 \leq V(x) \leq c_2\|x\|^2 \tag{1}$$

$$V(f(x)) - V(x) \leq -c_3\|x\|^2 \tag{2}$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .