

Sample Final  
ELEE 4700/5700, Controls II  
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Scores:	Problem 1	_____	35 points
	Problem 2	_____	20 points
	Problem 3	_____	20 points
	Problem 4	_____	25 points
	total	_____	100 points

Please write your answers in the spaces provided on the exam. If you use the backs of the pages or extra sheets, provide a note and/or arrows to point out the location of your solution.

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1. (35 points) Consider the system modeled by the following set of differential equations.

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{a} &= b - 2a \\ \dot{b} &= -2a + 3c\end{aligned}$$

- (a) (2 points) Find the  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$  matrices for the above equations, assuming  $a$  and  $b$  are the state variables,  $c$  is the input, and  $a$  is the output.

- (b) (5 points) Is the open-loop system stable? Is the system controllable? Find the open-loop poles.

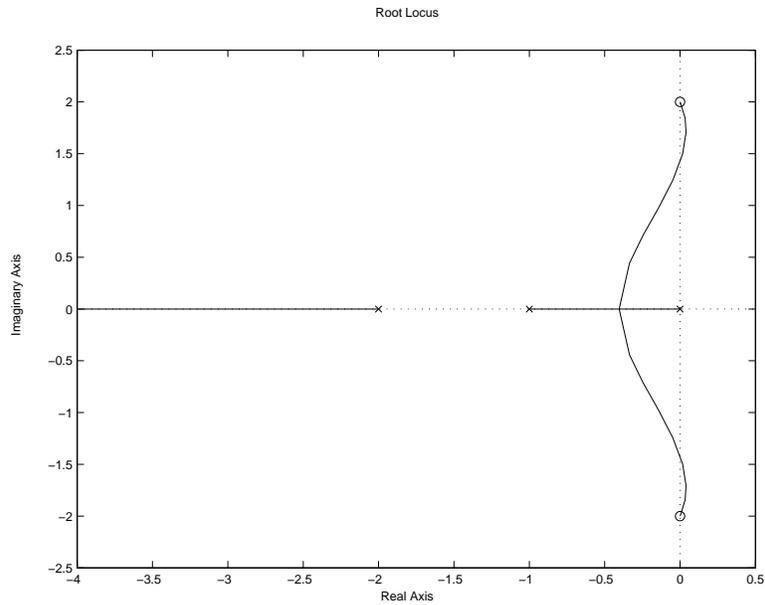
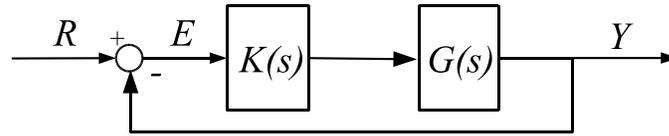
- (c) (3 points) Convert the system model into transfer function form.

(d) (2 points) What would the  $C$  matrix be for the open-loop system if both  $a$  and  $b$  were outputs?

(e) (12 points) Determine the state-gain matrix  $\mathbf{K}$  such that the state-feedback control law  $u = -\mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}$  places the closed-loop poles at  $-1 \pm 3j$ . Note that the control law should be written in terms of the coordinate frame of Part (a).

- (f) (11 points) Now consider that the state-feedback law  $u = r - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}$  is employed. Find the closed-loop transfer function  $Y(s)/R(s)$ . What is the steady-state output if  $r(t)$  is a unit step? What is the steady-state error?

2. (20 points) Consider the following unity-feedback control system where the root locus of the plant  $G(s)$  is shown below.



- (a) (3 points) Estimate the minimum 2% settling time that can be achieved using a proportional controller  $K(s) = K_P$ .
- (b) (3 points) Using the pole-zero locations from the root locus, estimate the transfer function for the plant including an unknown constant.

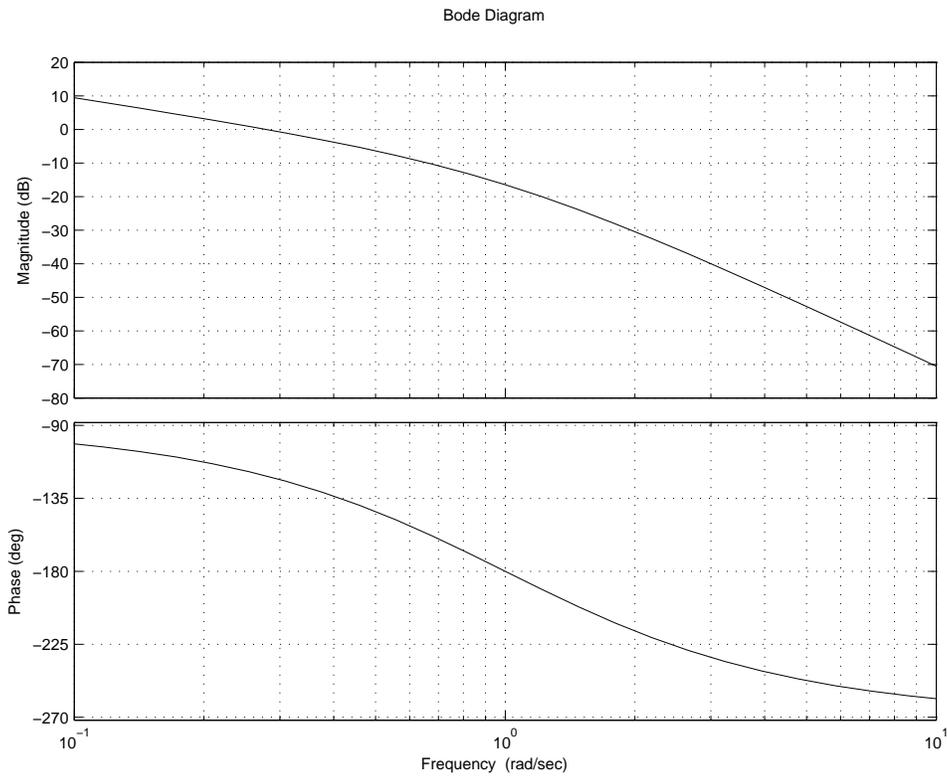
(c) (5 points) A proportional-derivative compensator, written in the form  $K(s) = K(s + z)$ , is to be designed such that the dominant closed-loop poles are positioned at  $-1 \pm j$ . Use the root-locus approach to place the zero  $z$ .

(d) (6 points) Generate an approximate sketch of the root locus with the addition of the proportional-derivative controller. You do not need to find the break-out/break-in points, or the departure/arrival angles.

(e) (3 points) Which of the following controllers offers the same advantages of a PD controller, without amplifying high frequency noise?

- (a) proportional control
- (b) proportional-integral control
- (c) lag control
- (d) lead control
- (e) observer state-feedback control

3. (20 points) Consider the Bode plot of an open-loop system given below.



(a) (4 points) Find the gain and phase margins for this system in unity feedback.

(b) (3 points) If a proportional controller is used for this system in unity feedback, for what range of positive gains  $K_P \geq 0$  is the closed-loop system stable?

(c) (8 points) Design a proportional controller for this plant under unity-feedback control so that the phase margin is  $\geq 45$  degrees, the gain margin is  $\geq 5$  db, and the steady-state error is as small as possible. What are the resulting stability margins?

(d) (5 points) Suppose that complex numerical computations (such as filtering) are required to determine the output  $y$  from the sensor measurements and these calculations take 0.5 seconds. How does this change the phase margin you found in Part(a) for the original system?

4. Consider the plant

$$G(s) = \frac{s + 1}{s^3 + 6s^2 + 11s + 6}$$

- (a) (5 points) Find a set of closed-loop poles to produce a step response with 10% overshoot and a peak time of 2 seconds.
- (b) (3 points) Why might the closed-loop poles found in Part (a) not achieve the desired overshoot and peak time?
- (c) (3 points) Determine the state-space matrices for the above plant in observable canonical form.

- (d) (10 points) It turns out that not all of the state variables can be measured. Design a full-state observer for the system in observable canonical form. How did you choose where to place the observer poles?
- (e) (3 points) Which of the following choices describe the limitations of an observer state-feedback approach to control? You may select more than one answer.
- (a) the addition of an observer leads to a high bandwidth controller that passes high frequency noise
  - (b) the resulting observer-controller is  $n^{th}$  order, which tends to be larger than those controllers produced by root-locus or frequency-domain approaches
  - (c) observer state-feedback control cannot handle MIMO systems
  - (d) observer state-feedback control is difficult to design and implement using computers
  - (e) with observer state-feedback control, the effect of zeros are not accounted for in the design
- (f) (3 points) Which of the following statements is false?
- (a) the observer and the state-feedback controller can be designed separately
  - (b) the poles of the resulting closed-loop system are equal to the observer poles and controller poles taken together
  - (c) if the closed-loop system is stable, then the observer-controller must also be stable
  - (d) if a transfer function has a pole-zero cancelation, the system cannot be both controllable and observable
  - (e) for a given system, there are multiple possible state-space representations