

## SF2842: Geometric Control Theory Solution to Homework 2

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**1.** Consider the system

$$\dot{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} x + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ \alpha & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x,$$

where  $\alpha$  is a real constant.

- (a) For what values of  $\alpha$  is the noninteracting control problem solvable? .....(2p) Answer:  $\alpha \neq 2$ .
- (c) Suppose now the first output  $y_1$  is taken away from the system, namely only  $y_2$  is kept. What is the (transmission) zero(s) of the system now if  $\alpha = 2$ ? (3p) **Answer:** We can regard  $2u_1 + u_2$  as one control, then the system is equivalent to a SISO system. The zeros are -1, -2.
- **2.** Consider the system

 $\begin{array}{rcl} \dot{x}_1 &=& x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &=& x_3 \\ \dot{x}_3 &=& -x_1 - 3x_2 - 3x_3 + w_1 \\ \dot{w}_1 &=& 2w_2 \\ \dot{w}_2 &=& -2w_1 \\ y &=& c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + x_3, \end{array}$ 

where  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$  are real constants and  $c_1 - c_2 + 1 \neq 0$ .

(a) Compute the invariant subspace  $x = \Pi w$ . [2p] **Answer:** Denote  $\dot{w} = Sw$ . Let the invariant subspace be  $x_i = \pi_i w$ , i = 1, 2, 3. Solving the Sylvester equation we have  $\pi_2 = \pi_1 S$ ,  $\pi_3 = \pi_1 S^2$ , and  $\pi_1 S^3 = -\pi_1 - 3\pi_1 S - 3\pi_1 S^2 + [1 \ 0]$ . Thus  $\pi_1 = \frac{1}{125}[-11 \ 2]$ . (b) For what value(s) of  $c_1, c_2$  is the above system (consisting of x and w) unobservable? Explain why. [2p]

**Answer:** We can view the above system as a control system with  $u = w_1$ . There will not be zero pole cancellation if  $c_1 - c_2 + 1 \neq 0$ , thus the control system is both controllable and observable. The exo system is also observable. Thus the overall system is unobservable iff an eigenvalue of the exo system is a transmission zero, namely  $c_1 = 4$ ,  $c_2 = 0$ .

- (c) Can we find  $c_1, c_2$  such that  $y(t) = w_1(t)$  in the steady state? [2p] Answer: This is true since  $\pi_1, \pi_1 S$  must be linearly independent.
- **3.** Consider a control system subject to disturbance:

 $\begin{array}{rcl} \dot{x}_1 &=& x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &=& -2x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + u + 2w_1 \\ \dot{x}_3 &=& \alpha x_3 + u \\ y &=& x_1, \end{array}$ 

where  $w_1$  is an unknown nonzero constant (disturbance) and  $\alpha$  is a real constant.

- (a) Is the disturbance decoupling problem (DDP) solvable? ......(1p) **Answer:** No.
- (b) When u = 0, show that if α < 0, then for all initial conditions, y(t) → w<sub>1</sub> as t → ∞.
  Answer: In this case we can easily show that on the invariant subspace, x<sub>1</sub> = w<sub>1</sub>.
- (d) For  $\alpha = 2$ , solve the full information output regulation problem for  $y_r = 0$ . [3p]

**Answer:** In general, we can consider  $y_r$  as generated by  $\dot{w}_2 = 0$ . This gives  $u = -k(x_3 - (2 - 2)w) - (4 - 4)w$ , where k > 0. With the particular  $y_r = 0$ , one can set  $w_2 = 0$ .