



KTH Matematik

Homework 1
Mathematical Systems Theory, SF2832
Fall 2013

You may use $\min(5,(\text{your score})/4)$ as bonus credit on the exam.

1. Find the state transition matrix for the following systems

(a) $\dot{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & t^2 \end{bmatrix} x(t)$
..... (2p)

(b) $\dot{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -k & -1 - 2k & -2 - k \end{bmatrix} x(t)$,
where the constant $k > 1$ (3p)

(c) Let

$$\dot{x} = A(t)x$$

and

$$\dot{z} = K(t)z.$$

If $\Phi_z(t, s) = \Phi_x^T(s, t)$, where $\Phi(\cdot, \cdot)$ denote the state transition matrix, what is $K(t)$? (2p)

2. Consider the rotational motion of a point x in R^3 with respect to the origin:

$$\dot{x} = \omega(t) \times x,$$

where $\omega(t) = (\omega_1(t), \omega_2(t), \omega_3(t))^T$ is the angular velocity, and “ \times ” is the vector cross product.

(a) Express the kinematics of $x(t)$ in the form of $\dot{x} = A(t)x$ (2p)

(b) Use (a) to show that $\|x(t)\|^2 = \|x(t_0)\|^2 \forall t \geq 0$, i.e. the distance to the origin does not change over time (you are not supposed to use dot and cross products to show this). (3p)

3. Consider

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x \in R^n$$

where A and B are constant matrices. Show that if $x(0) \in \mathcal{R}$, then $x(t) \in \mathcal{R}, \forall t \geq 0$, and for all $u(t)$ such that the solution is unique. \mathcal{R} is defined as $\mathcal{R} = \text{Im}(B, AB, \dots, A^{n-1}B)$. (3p)

4. Assume

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax \\ y &= cx\end{aligned}$$

is observable, where $x \in R^n$ and $y \in R$.

- (a) Let $\bar{x}_i = cA^{i-1}x$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. What is \bar{A} and \bar{c} under the new coordinates? Use the characteristic polynomial of A to express elements of \bar{A} if necessary.

(3p)

- (b) Show the n-tuple integrator system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ &\vdots \\ \dot{x}_{n-1} &= x_n \\ \dot{x}_n &= u \\ y &= x_1\end{aligned}$$

is both reachable and observable. (2p)