MASTER OF ELECTRICAL ENGG., SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION, 2018

OPTIMAL AND ROBUST CONTROL

Time: Three Hours

Answer any FIVE questions.

Full Marks: 100

1. a) Find the 2-norm and ∞ -norm of the following signal:

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & if \quad t \le 0\\ 1/(2\sqrt{t}), & if \quad 0 < t \le 1\\ 0, & if \quad t > 1 \end{cases}$$

b) For the system with transfer function $G(s) = \frac{2(1+s)}{(1+0.5s)(1+0.2s)}$, find $\|G\|_{\infty}$.

- c) State the methods used to compute $\|G\|_{\infty}$ for a system with given transfer function G(s).
- 2. a) Enumerate the possible sources of parameter perturbation in a control 5+5+10 system.
 - b) State Kharitonov's Theorem for an n^{th} order system.
 - c) For the unity feedback system of a damped rotating gun turret, the forward path transfer function is given by

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{(1+sT)} \cdot \frac{1}{s(s+a)}$$

The nominal system parameters are a=5; T=0.1; K=2. Investigate the robust stability of the closed-loop system for $\pm 10\%$ variation in each of these parameters.

8+6+6

3. a) For a unity feedback control system, the plant transfer function is given (8+7)+5by $P(s) = \frac{10}{s(s+2)}$ and the forward path proportional controller transfer function is given by C(s) = 10.

Find

- (i) the largest value of the complementary sensitivity M_t and the corresponding frequency ω_{mt} .
- (ii) the allowable size of the process uncertainty ΔP .
- b) Briefly explain how the method of M-circles may be used to calculate the permissible values of gain and phase variations for a system in the presence of uncertainty.
- 4. a) Prove that the distance from -1 to the Nyquist plot of L equals $1/||S||_{\infty}$, where L is the loop transfer function and S is the sensitivity function for any system.

10 + 10

b) For the system shown in Fig. 1, with plant P(s), controller C(s), F(s)=1 and r=0, find the $||H||_{\infty}$ norm when the input is chosen as w = (-n, d) and the output is chosen as z = (x, v).



Fig. 1

5. a) Briefly explain the following:

(2x3)+8+6

- (i) Brachistochrone problem
- (ii) Geodesic problem
- (iii) Isoperimetric problem

b) Find a curve y(x) which gives an extremum value to the functional

$$J = \int_{0}^{1} \left(1 + {y'}^{2}\right) dx \text{ with } y(0) = 1, \ y(1) = 2.$$

- c) Derive the condition for the extremum of a functional dependent on higher order derivatives.
- 6. a) Derive the expression for the extremum of the functional

$$J = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} F\left(x; y; y'\right) dx$$
 for the variable end-point problem.

- b) What are transversality conditions?
- c) Using transversality conditions, prove that the line lying on the line of centers will be the shortest distance between two circles.
- 7. a) With the help of one example in each case, briefly explain *five* different 10+10 types of optimal control problems.
 - b) Using the Hamilton-Jacobi equation, show that an optimal control law for the continuous LQR problem is obtained from the solution to the matrix Riccati equation.

8+6+6

- 8. a) Explain what you understand by the term *Quadratic performance index* 5+(8+7) with the help of an example.
 - b) A regulator contains a plant that is described by

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$
$$\dot{x}_2 = -2x_1 - 3x_2 + u$$
$$y = x_1$$

and has a performance index given by

$$J = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left\{ x_{1}^{2} + 2x_{2}^{2} + u^{2} \right\} dt$$

(i) Find the elements of the Riccati matrix P in the steady state.

(ii) Design an optimum controller for the above system.