

Master of Electrical Engg. & Control System Engg. 2nd Semester Examination, 2019

Optimal and Robust Control

Time: Three Hours; Full Marks: 100

Answer any four questions
All questions carry equal marks

1. a) Explain the terms 'supremum' and 'infimum' with the help of appropriate examples. 5+8+12
- b) Find the 2-norm and ∞ -norm of the following signal:

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t \leq 0 \\ 4t^3, & \text{if } 0 < t \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{if } t > 1 \end{cases}$$

- c) For the system with transfer function $G(s) = \frac{as+1}{bs+1}$, find $\|G\|_{\infty}$ when
(i) $a > b$, (ii) $a = b$, (iii) $a < b$.
2. a) Distinguish between structured and unstructured uncertainty. With the help of diagrams, explain the terms additive and multiplicative unstructured uncertainty. 8+2+15
- b) State one limitation of Kharitonov's theorem.
- c) For a system whose characteristic polynomial is given by
 $s^3 + (2a-1)s^2 + a^2s + a = 0$,
where $a = 3$, check for the robust stability of the system for $\pm 10\%$ variation in each of the coefficients.

3. For a unity feedback control system, the forward path transfer function is 10+5+ 10
given by $P(s) = \frac{5000}{s(1+50s)}$.

Find

- (i) the largest value of the complementary sensitivity M_t and the corresponding frequency ω_{m_t} .
- (ii) the allowable size of the process uncertainty ΔP
- (iii) permissible values of gain and phase variations when a controller is designed to provide the largest value of the complementary sensitivity M_t .

4. The regulator shown in Fig. F-4 contains a plant described by

10+8+7

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -5 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u \quad ; \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x$$

and has the performance index

$$J = \int_0^{\infty} \left\{ x^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x + u^2 \right\} dt.$$

Determine

- the Riccati matrix P
- the state feedback matrix K
- the closed loop eigenvalues.

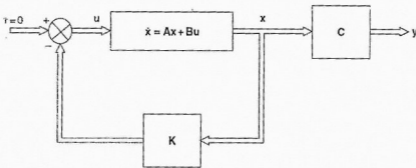


Fig. F-4

- 5 a) State the Brachistochrone problem and derive an expression for the time of descent of a particle in a Brachistochrone problem.
- b) Find the curve which is the solution to the above Brachistochrone problem, given initial position is A (x_1, y_1) and final position is B (x_2, y_2) .

12+13

- 6 a) Given a functional $J = \int_a^b F(x; y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n; y_1', y_2', \dots, y_n') dx$.

6+4+15

Derive the condition(s) necessary to achieve an extremum of the functional.

- State Legendre condition for functionals dependent on several unknown functions.
- Obtain the functional used to express the length of the curve $y = y(x)$; $z = z(x)$ in three-dimensional space.
 - Find the extremum of the above functional.
 - Check whether the above extremum is a maximum or a minimum.

- 7 a) Given a functional $J = \int_a^b F(x; y; y') dx$. For the fixed end-point problem, prove that the necessary condition to achieve an extremum of the functional is $F_y - \frac{d}{dx} F_{y'} = 0$. 5+5+15
- b) Determine the shortest curve y connecting two points $(0, 0)$ and $(1, 1)$ from the calculus of variations.
- c) A plane curve, $y = y(x)$ passes through the points $(0, b)$ and (a, c) , ($b \neq c$) in the $x - y$ plane (a, b, c are positive constants) and the curve lies above the x -axis as shown in Fig. F-7. Determine the curve $y(x)$ which, when rotated about the x -axis, yields a surface of revolution with minimum surface area.

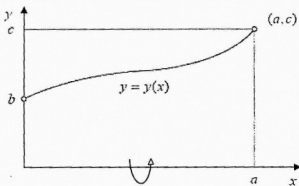


Fig. F-7