

EE 550

Linear Control Systems

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Course Information

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TEXTBOOK Linear System Theory and Design, 3rd Edition, C. T. Chen

References

- Linear System, Panos Antsaklis and Anthony Michel
- Linear System, Thomas Kailath
- Linear System Theory, W. Rugh

EXAMINATIONS:

Major Exam: Monday April 9, 2007

Final Exam: Wednesday June 6, 2007

Course Objective:

This course provides a basic understanding of linear multivariable systems through their modeling and analysis. Both continuous-time and discrete-time systems will be discussed in the course. After taking this course, the student will be in a position to move on to more advanced courses and topics in systems, control, communications and signal processing.

TENTATIVE COURSE OUTLINE

- Overview
- Mathematical Description of Systems
 - Input-Output Description
 - State-Variable Description
- State Space Solutions and Realization
- Stability of Linear Systems
- Controllability and Observability
- Canonical Decomposition
- Minimal Realizations
- State Feedback and State Estimators
- Other Topics as Time Allows

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Modeling is the representation of a system and all its components in a mathematical form.

Depending on the questions asked, or depending on the operating ranges, a physical system may have different models

Example: An Automobile may be modeled as a single particle if we are studying traffic flow **but** may be modeled as a spring-mass-damper system if we are interested in the vibration of the occupants

- Once a model is selected for a physical system, the next step is to develop mathematical equations to describe the system from the fundamental physical principles such as:
 - Newton's law for mechanical systems
 - Kirchhoff's voltage and current laws in electrical systems
 - Laws of thermodynamics and transport phenomena in fluid and thermal systems

- After the mathematical equations for the model have been obtained the next step in the study of systems involves both
 - Quantitative
 - System responses to specified inputs
 - Qualitative
 - Stability
 - Controllability
 - Observability

- If the response of the system is found to be unsatisfactory then an engineering design phase termed improvement or optimization is initiated
- In some cases a system parameter may be adjusted to improve the response but in other cases compensation devices must be injected into the system
- Finally in the realization phase the proposed system must be built using actual physical hardware

System Classification

