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Grading: P1 a)3 b)2 P2 a)4 b)2 c)1 P3 a)2 b)2 c)1 P4 a)1 b)2

P1. Consider the system with input u and output y , and transfer function

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 3s + 2}$$

- a) Write a state realization using phase variables (the output and its derivatives).
- b) Using only **scalar** blocks (integrators, algebraic sums and gains) sketch a block diagram that allows to simulate the state model.



P2. In relation to the linear model $\dot{x} = Ax$, consider the matrices, numbered 1 to 4:

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1.5 \\ 1.5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -5/3 & -4/3 \\ 4/3 & 5/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider also the phase portraits shown in figure P2-1, and identified with the letters A, B, C and D.

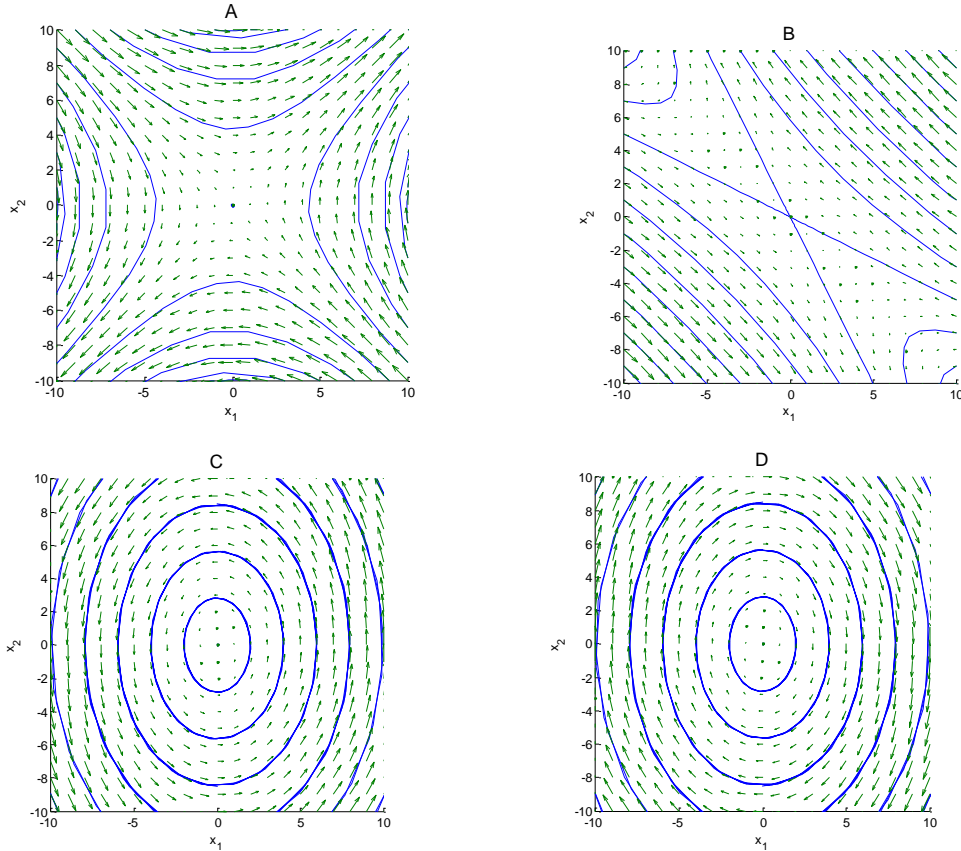


Fig. P2-1. Problem P2. Phase portraits.

- State which matrix is associated to each phase-portrait. Justify
- In relation to A_3 compute the expression that gives the state as a function of time for the initial condition $x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Repete with the initial condition $x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.
- For the same matrix considered in b), compute $e^{A_3 t}$ by the method that you prefer. Observe that there is a method for which the answer is immediate.

P3. Figure P3-1 depicts a pendulum whose oscillation is influenced by a force (manipulated variable) u . In this problem we want to design a state feedback controller to regulate the position of the pendulum.

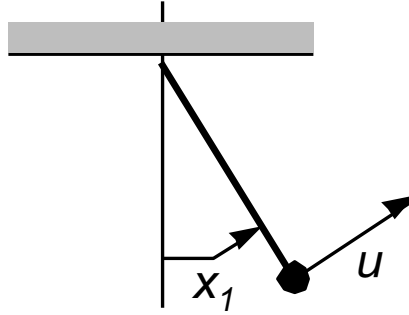


Fig. P3-1 Problem 3. The pendulum actuated by a manipulated force.

For this purpose, we know the following model that relates the force u with the output y given by the pendulum angular velocity

$$\dot{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -25 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t), \quad y = [0 \quad 1] x(t).$$

Answer the following questions:

- Design a state feedback regulator that places the closed-loop poles at $-4 \pm j4$
- Design an asymptotic observer that places the state estimation error dynamics at $-10 \pm j10$
- Sketch a block diagram of the controller, including the observer, that uses only basic **scalar** blocks (integrators, gains, sums).



P4. The mechanical system shown in figure P4-1 is a simplification of the sustension of an autobomile vehicle. The vehicle is represented by the mass m , assumed to be a point mass, and is linked to road profile through a spring of coefficient k and a damper placed in parallel with a friction coefficient β . Point A is connected to the road surface, that is not flat. This assumption corresponds to move the point A vertically by a distance u , that may vary in time. We consider only movements in the vertical. Due to the change of the road u , the vehicle moves vertically by a y .

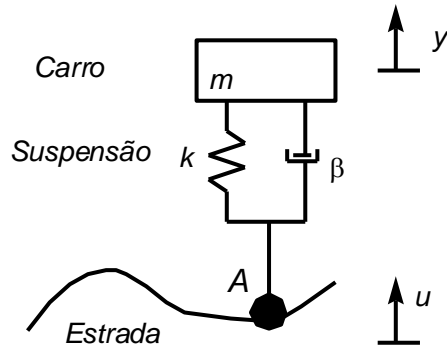


Figura P4-1. Problem P4.

When the spring is stretched or compressed with a change of length Δ , the spring exerts a force that opposes the movement with strength $k\Delta$. The damper is such that, when the difference of velocity between its ends is v , it exerts a force that opposes movement with a strength βv .

- a) Using Newton's law, write a differential equation that relates u (input signal) with y (output signal). Consider a situation in which, from the start, the spring equilibrates the vehicle weight, so that the weight does not enter the equation.
- b) Define a set of convenient state variables, with the minimum number of variables, and write the state equation in matrix form. Present all intermediate calculations that are relevant.

