MIDTERM EXAM: Robust Control

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Open books and notes. Total points: 25. Time 3:30–4:50.

1. (13 points)

Problem 6.16, Part 2, in *Green & Limebeer*. In addition, show that the controller $u = -B'_2 P x$ achieves a better 2-norm attenuation with $\gamma = \infty$ in (6.3.5) (LQG controller) than with any $\gamma < \infty$ (\mathcal{H}_{∞} controller).

2. (12 points)

Consider the mass-spring system in Section 8.4 in Green & Limebeer, where a controller was designed to guarantee that the \mathcal{H}_{∞} norm from $(\dot{\Theta}_K, L)$ to (e, y) (notation from the class notes) is no greater than $\gamma_{\text{opt}} = 3.8856$. Suppose that the drive motor with gain 40 has been replaced with a motor with gain A, but the controller has not been changed. Determine a range of A for which the closed-loop system remains internally stable. Is it stable for A = 50 and why/why not?