# Control System Synthesis - PhD Class

Exercise session 1

## 1 The X-29 aircraft

The X-29 aircraft has an unusual configuration, designed to enhance its maneuverability. It has a right half-plane pole at approximately p = 6rad/s and a right half-plane zero at z = 26rad/s. The non-minimum phase factor then writes:

$$P_{nmp}(s) = \frac{z-s}{z+s}\frac{s+p}{s-p}.$$

#### What are the fundamental limitations?

- 1. Apply the Maximum Modulus Principle to find a lower bound on  $M_s = \max_{\omega>0} |S(j\omega)|$ (consider  $B_p S$  with  $B_p(s) = \frac{s+p}{s-p}$ )
- 2. Based on the Nyquist plot, prove that:

$$g_m \geq \frac{M_s}{M_s - 1}$$
$$\varphi_m \geq 2 \arcsin \frac{1}{2M_s}$$

- 3. Apply gain crossover frequency inequality.
- 4. Assume that the sensitivity function is given by (see Figure 1):

$$|S(j\omega)| = \begin{cases} \frac{\omega}{\omega_1} M_s & \text{if } \omega_1 \leq \omega \\ M_s & \text{if } \omega_1 \leq \omega < \omega_a \\ 1 & \text{if } \omega_a \leq \omega \end{cases}.$$

Calculate  $M_s$ . Numerical application for  $\omega_1 = 3rad/s$  and  $\omega_a = 40rad/s$ 



Figure 1: Specifications



Figure 2: Schematic view of a bicycle.

### 2 Bicycle dynamics with rear-wheel steering

We assume that the bicycle rolls on the horizontal plane. A schematic view is given in Figure 2.

Let  $v_0$  be the velocity of the bicycle at the rear wheel, *b* the wheelbase,  $\varphi$  the tilt angle,  $\delta$  the steering angle and *m* be the total mass of the system. The coordinate system rotates around the point *O* with the angular velocity  $\omega = v_0 \delta/b$ . Assuming that the steering angle small, the equation of motion is:

$$J\frac{d\varphi}{dt} - \frac{Dv_0}{b}\frac{d\delta}{dt} = mgh\sin\varphi + \frac{mv_0^2h}{b}\delta$$
(1)

where  $J \sim mh^2$  is the moment of inertia with respect to the  $\xi$ -axis, and D = mah the product of inertia with respect to the  $\xi\zeta$  axes.

Considering (1), write the associated transfer function and express the limitations on the stability margin  $M_s$ .



### 3 Cruise control

Let's consider the cruise control problem.



Figure 3: Physical setup



Figure 4: Schematic view of the considered control loop.

- 1. Consider a PID controller  $C(s) = k_p + \frac{k_i}{s} + k_d s$ . Write the transfer function between the disturbance d and the output v.
- 2. What are the effects of  $k_p$ ,  $k_i$  and  $k_d$  on rise time, overshoot, settling time and steady state error regarding disturbance rejection? Remember that for a second-order system  $\frac{k}{\frac{1}{\omega_0^2}s^2 + \frac{2\xi}{\omega_0}s + 1}$ , we have

Property	Value
Steady-state value	k
Rise time	$T_r = e^{\phi/tan\phi}$ with $\phi = arccos\xi$
Overshoot	$D = e^{-\pi\xi\sqrt{1-\xi^2}}$
Settling time $2\%$	$T_s \sim \frac{1}{4\xi\omega_0}$

- 3. Design a PID controller such that the response to a step disturbance satisfies
  - Rise time  $T_r < 5s$
  - Overshoot D < 10%
  - Steady-state error  $e_{ss} < 2\%$
- 4. Simulate the results in Matlab for m = 1000 kg and b = 50 N.s/m.