

ECE 717
Exam 2 – Fall 2019

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1. **True or False [18 points]**. For each question, circle TRUE or FALSE. No explanation is required.

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| a) | If two realizations for the same transfer function have the same number of states (A is the same size for both), then there must exist a state transformation matrix T that transforms one realization into the other (and vice versa), even if the realizations are not minimal. | TRUE | FALSE |
| b) | If a linear time-invariant system is BIBO stable, then it is always Lyapunov stable. | TRUE | FALSE |
| c) | If a linear time-invariant system is asymptotically stable, then it is always exponentially stable as well. | TRUE | FALSE |
| d) | When using the input $u(t) = \sin(t)$, the output $y(t)$ of a system grows unbounded with time. We can conclude that the system is definitely NOT BIBO stable. | TRUE | FALSE |
| e) | When using the input $u(t) = \sin(t)$, the output $y(t)$ of the system is bounded. We can conclude that system is definitely BIBO stable. | TRUE | FALSE |
| f) | If $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t)$ is asymptotically stable, then so is $x[k+1] = Ax[k]$ (same A matrix for both systems). | TRUE | FALSE |

2. Minimal realizations [12 points].

a) Consider the following state-space realization:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc|cc} 3 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 3 & 2 & 7 & 2 & 8 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Write down a minimal realization for this system.

b) Find a minimal realization for a system whose impulse response is $h(t) = 2e^{-t} - 3e^{-2t}$.

3. Lyapunov stability for a nonlinear system [10 points]. Consider the scalar nonlinear dynamical system:

$$\dot{x}(t) = -x(t) + \frac{1}{4}x(t)^3, \quad x(0) = x_0$$

Prove that the point $\tilde{x} = 0$ is a locally stable equilibrium point.

Hint: use the Lyapunov function $V(x) = x^2$.

4. **Evaluating quadratic integrals [10 points]**. Suppose $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t)$ and A is Hurwitz (all eigenvalues of A have a strictly negative real part). Suppose $Q = Q^\top$ is a symmetric matrix. We are interested in evaluating the integral

$$J(x_0) = \int_0^\infty x(t)^\top Q x(t) dt$$

Where $x(t)$ is the state of the system at time t , assuming we start at $x(0) = x_0$. Prove that the value of this integral is given by:

$$J(x_0) = x_0^\top P x_0$$

where P satisfies the Lyapunov equation $A^\top P + PA + Q = 0$.