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Problem set 6¹

Problem 6.1

- (a) Find an analytical expression for the coefficients c_1, \dots, c_n of the linear combination

$$\hat{G}_n(s) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{c_k}{s + 1/k},$$

which minimizes the integral

$$\|G - \hat{G}_n\|_{H_2}^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |G(j\omega) - \hat{G}_n(j\omega)|^2 d\omega,$$

where

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

- (b) For $n = 1, 2, \dots, 50$, use MATLAB to compute and compare $\|G - \hat{G}_n\|_{H_2}$ and $\|G - \hat{G}_n\|_{\infty}$.

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Problem 6.2

- (a) Is it true or false: if $f : [0, 1] \mapsto (-\infty, 0)$ is convex then $1/f$ is convex as well?
- (b) Is it true or false: the sum of two quasi-convex functions $f_1, f_2 : \Omega \mapsto \mathbf{R}$ is always quasi-convex?
- (c) For $m, n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ let $\Phi : \Omega_{n,m} \mapsto \mathbf{R}$ be the function

$$\Phi_{n,m}(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \left| \frac{p(k/n)}{q(k/n)} - y_k \right|,$$

where

$$p(t) = p_0 + p_1 t + \dots + p_m t^m, \quad q(t) = 1 + q_1 t + \dots + q_m t^m,$$

and $\Omega_{n,m} = \{x\}$ is the set of vectors

$$x = [p_0; p_1; \dots; p_m; q_1; q_2; \dots; q_m; y_1; y_2; \dots; y_n]$$

such that $q(t) \neq 0$ for all $t \in [0, 1]$. For which values of $m, n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ is $\Phi_{n,m}$ quasi-convex?

Problem 6.3

- (a) For every $n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ and $\epsilon > 0$, define $N = N(n)$ and an affine symmetric matrix function $A = A(x)$ of vector

$$x = [b_0; b_1; \dots; b_n; a_0; a_1; \dots; a_{n-1}; y_1; \dots; y_N]$$

such that, given b_0, \dots, b_n and a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} , the inequality $A(x) > 0$ has a solution with respect to y_1, \dots, y_N if and only if

$$b(\omega^2) > 0, \quad a(\omega^2) > 0, \quad \frac{b(\omega^2)}{a(\omega^2)} < 1 + \epsilon \quad \forall \omega \in \mathbf{R},$$

$$\frac{b(\omega^2)}{a(\omega^2)} > 1 - \epsilon \quad \forall |\omega| \leq 1,$$

and

$$\frac{b(\omega^2)}{a(\omega^2)} < \epsilon \quad \forall |\omega| \geq 1 + \epsilon,$$

where

$$a(\theta) = a_0 + a_1 \theta + \dots + a_{n-1} \theta^{n-1} + \theta^n, \quad b(\theta) = b_0 \theta + b_1 \theta + \dots + b_n \theta^n.$$

- (b) Use the result from (a) and a semidefinite program solver (see section 4 of Lecture 9 for some options) to write a MATLAB code for designing high quality low pass filters, in the form of a stable n -th order transfer function G such that

$$\|G\|_{\infty}^2 < 1 + \epsilon, \quad 1 - |G(j\omega)|^2 > 1 - \epsilon \quad \forall \omega \in [0, 1], \quad |G(j\omega)|^2 < \epsilon \quad \forall \omega \in [1 + \epsilon, \infty),$$

where $\epsilon > 0$ is a given small parameter.