

1. What is the minimum value of  $\int_0^{\pi} [\dot{x}(t)]^2 dt$   
for  $x$  satisfying  $x(0) = 1$  and  $x(\pi) = 0$ ?

2. For the time invariant system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu + Cv$$

with a known disturbance  $v(t)$ , suggest/derive a  
control that drives the system from  $(x_0, 0)$  to  
 $(0, T)$  and minimizes

$$\eta = \int_0^T u'(t) u(t) dt$$

state any needed hypotheses clearly.

3. Complete the proof of the necessary conditions theorem  
in Lecture Notes 3 (page 5, part (c)).

4. Consider the problem of finding an optimal control

for the system:  $\dot{x} = -\alpha x + u$   $\alpha > 0$ ;

cost  $\eta = \int_0^1 (x^2 + u^2) dt + \alpha x(1)$ ; with initial  $x(0) = 1$ .

Use a numerical approach based on canonical equations  
(and MATLAB) to investigate this problem:

What is the optimal value  $\eta_{\min}$ ?