

# AME 451 Linear Control Systems I

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Meeting: Monday and Wednesday, 11:00 am -12:20 pm, OHE 100C

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Grading:	Two midterm exams (@20% each)	40%
	Homework	20%
	MATLAB project	10%
	Final Exam	30%
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	Total	100%

Homework: Weekly homework (about 12 sets) assigned, and due the following week.  
Late homework receives **NO** credits.

Text Book: K. Ogata, "Modern Control Engineering", 5th Edition, Prentice Hall, 2009

Website: Log in at <http://www.uscdcn.net/>

Go to the AME451 web page, and check the following directories:

*Course Information:*

syllabus

class schedule

*Course Documents:*

ppt files for lecture, MATLAB related

*Assignments:*

homework and solutions, project description

For Remote Students:

Feel free to call the TA and instructor during their office hours, or to send email to them.

## Course Description:

### 1. Background Materials (5 weeks)

Introduction to control systems  
Laplace transforms  
Differential equations, transfer functions, poles and zeros  
Mathematical models of dynamic systems  
Block diagrams, feedback systems  
Simulation via MATLAB

### 2. Basic Concepts of Feedback Control (5 weeks)

Open-loop and closed-loop systems  
Basic control actions: P-, I- and D- controllers  
Control system characteristics and performance

- Sensitivity to parameter variations
- Transient response
- Disturbance rejection
- Stability, Routh's criterion
- Steady-state error

Simulation via MATLAB

### 3. Design of Control Systems (5 weeks)

The root locus techniques  
Frequency response, Bode diagrams  
Polar plots, Nyquist stability criterion  
Relative stability, phase and gain margins, bandwidth  
PID controllers in the Frequency Domain  
Lag and lead compensation  
Time delays  
Simulation via MATLAB

### Design Example: Disk Drive Read System

Handouts uploaded on the AME 451 website