

Solution for TSRT09 Control Theory, 2020-06-09

1. (a) The Bode integral theorem puts a constraint on the sensitivity function S : it cannot be rendered small everywhere. If you compress it on a certain frequency range it will blow up on some other frequency range.
- (b) The system is not controllable, but we can use the PBH test to check stabilizability. The eigenvalues of A are $\lambda = \pm 1$. In correspondence of the $\lambda = 1$ (unstable eigenvalue)

$$\begin{bmatrix} A - I & B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

has rank 2, while in correspondence of $\lambda = -1$ (stable)

$$\begin{bmatrix} A + I & B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

has rank 1. Hence the system is stabilizable (the uncontrollable mode is already stable). You can of course show the same thing by explicitly designing a state feedback.

- (c) RGA at steady state is (\odot = element-wise multiplication)

$$\text{RGA}(G(0)) = G(0) \odot (G^{-1}(0))^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 10 \\ \frac{1}{5} & \frac{5}{3} \end{bmatrix} \odot \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{10}{7} & \frac{6}{35} \\ \frac{60}{7} & -\frac{3}{7} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{7} & \frac{12}{7} \\ \frac{12}{7} & -\frac{5}{7} \end{bmatrix}$$

- (d) Differentiate the output twice

$$\dot{y} = \dot{x}_1 = -2x_2$$

$$\ddot{y} = -2\dot{x}_2 = -2x_1 + 2x_2 - 2 \tan x_1 + 2u$$

We want to choose u so that $\ddot{y} = v$ where v is the new input. This is obtained by choosing

$$u = x_1 - x_2 + \tan x_1 + \frac{v}{2}$$

- (e) The noise n can be modeled as the output of a linear system H driven by a white noise of intensity 1:

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s+1}$$

A state space representation of H is

$$\dot{\tilde{x}}_2 = -\tilde{x}_2 + \tilde{n}$$

Denoting $\tilde{x}_1 = x$, we obtain the augmented model

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\tilde{x}} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{n} \\ y &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{x} + u \end{aligned}$$

2. (a) A proper Q to be used in the ICM design is given by

$$Q(s) = \frac{G^{-1}(s)}{(s+1)^2} = \frac{s+1}{s+2}$$

In fact, this Q is stable and leads to the closed loop system

$$G_c(s) = G(s)Q(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^2}$$

which is of course also stable and has the poles in the same location as $G(s)$. The corresponding feedback is

$$F_y = (I - QG)^{-1}Q = \frac{(s+1)^3}{s(s+2)^2}$$

- (b) The loop gain

$$F_y G = \frac{1}{s(s+2)}$$

has an integrator, which means that the steady state error in the step response is 0.

- (c) Looking at the disturbance-related TFs of the system in Fig. 1, we can see that the best combination of disturbances for our control design is (ii), as both S and G_{wu} (dealing with w) are damped at low frequency, while T (dealing with n) and $G_{w_u y}$ (dealing with w_u) are damped at high frequency.

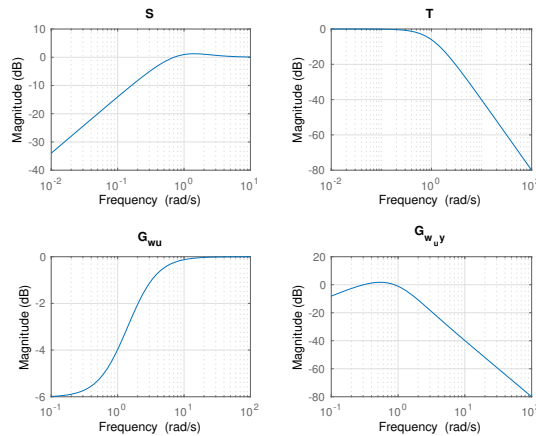


Figure 1: Exercise 2. S , T , G_{wu} and $G_{w_u y}$.

3. (a) The transfer function of the system is

$$G(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s+0.4} & \frac{6(s+0.6)}{(s+2.414)(s+0.4)(s-0.4142)} \\ 0 & \frac{4(s-2)}{(s+2.414)(s-0.4142)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Notice that the system is unstable. The poles polynomial is

$$p(s) = (s + 0.4)(s - 0.4142)(s + 2.4242),$$

meaning that the poles of the system are $p_i = -2.4242, -0.4, 0.4142$. The only zero of G is $z = 2$ (in this case: pole of $G^{-1}(s)$, after simplifications).

- (b) For a MIMO system, the static gain is computed from the singular values of $G(0)$: if $[V, D] = \text{eig}(G(0)' * G(0))$, then $\sigma = \sqrt{\text{diag}(D)}$ has 2 components

$$\sigma_1 = 1.6409 \quad \sigma_2 = 12.1884,$$

meaning that the static gain of $G(0)$ is in the interval $[\sigma_1, \sigma_2]$. The directions of u corresponding to the two boundaries σ_1 and σ_2 are given by the eigenvectors in V ;

$$u_1 = V(:, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} -0.9877 \\ -0.1562 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_2 = V(:, 2) = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1562 \\ 0.9877 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (c) The static decoupling matrix is

$$F = G(0)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4000 & 0.4500 \\ 0 & 0.1250 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (d) LQ regulator. Since the problem requires feedback from the output, one need to build an observer. Since there is no disturbance in the model $N = 0$. Choosing for instance $R_1 = 0$ and $R_2 = I$, the solution to the LQ problem (Kalman gain) is

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2577 & -0.2187 \\ 0.2238 & -0.1900 \\ -0.1822 & 0.1547 \end{bmatrix}$$

while for the regulator gain it is, with $Q_1 = I$ and $Q_2 = I$,

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0352 & 0.6467 & -0.1269 \\ 0.7836 & 0.2538 & -1.2478 \end{bmatrix}$$

The full regulator is then

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\hat{x}} &= A\hat{x} + Bu + K(y - C\hat{x}) \\ u &= -L\hat{x} \end{aligned}$$

- (e) LQ regulators from reconstructed states are not robust, see Sect. 9.4 of the book.

4. (a) The extended system is

$$G_e = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & W_u \\ 0 & W_T G \\ W_S & W_S G \\ 1 & G \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{(s+0.2)(s-1)} \\ 0 & \frac{s+2}{(s+0.2)(s-1)} \\ \frac{1}{s+1} & \frac{s+2}{(s+0.2)(s-1)(s+1)} \\ 1 & \frac{s+2}{(s+0.2)(s-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

which corresponds to the state space model (after elimination of redundant zero/poles with `minreal`)

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + Bu + Nw \\ z &= Mx + Du \\ y &= Cx + w \end{aligned}$$

with

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.704 & 0.5443 & -0.5512 \\ 0.4507 & 0.2174 & -0.02642 \\ 0.2423 & -0.309 & -1.121 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1.746 \\ 2.978 \\ -0.2956 \end{bmatrix}, \quad N = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2376 \\ -0.0736 \\ 0.6619 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1.064 & -0.3296 & -0.4188 \\ 0.4753 & -0.1472 & 1.324 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = [1.064 \quad -0.3296 \quad -0.4188]$$

The condition $D^T [M \ D] = [0 \ 1]$ is satisfied, but $A - NC$ is not stable, hence the model is not in innovation form (i.e., N is not the Kalman gain).

(b) An \mathcal{H}_∞ controller can be designed using the function `hinfsyn` in matlab. In particular, via the function call (you choose γ , or leave it empty)

```
[Fy_pos,CL,GAM,INFO] = hinfsyn(Ge, 1,1, gamma)
Fy = - Fy_pos
```

The optimal \mathcal{H}_∞ regulator corresponds to the transfer function (after simplifications)

$$F_y = \frac{415.56(s+0.2)}{(s+216.8)(s+1.664)}$$

(c) When called with $\gamma = 1$, the `hinfsyn` function returns no controller, hence an \mathcal{H}_∞ solution does not exist. The \mathcal{H}_∞ norm is in fact $\gamma = 1.9343$.

(d) From Fig. 2, $S(\omega)$ is never critical, while both $T(\omega)$ and $W_u(\omega)$ approach the corresponding upper bound (in red). Computing the \mathcal{H}_∞ norms, it is $\|T\|_\infty = 1.77$ and $\|G_{wu}\|_\infty = 1.924$ hence G_{wu} is the most critical constrain in this \mathcal{H}_∞ control design.

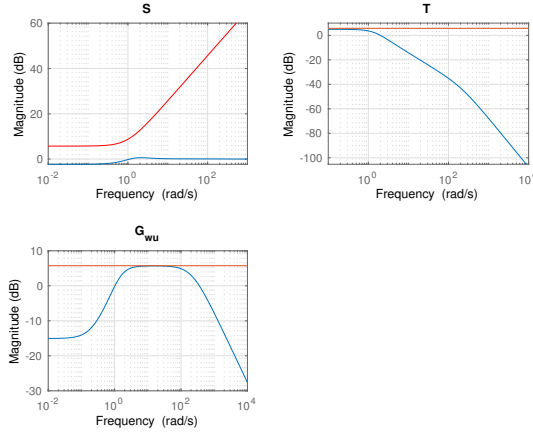


Figure 2: \mathcal{H}_∞ design. In blue are S , T , and G_{wu} . In red are $\gamma W_S^{-1}(\omega)$, $\gamma W_T^{-1}(\omega)$, $\gamma W_u^{-1}(\omega)$.

5. (a) The gain for the nonlinearity is 1. The gain for $G(s)$ can be computed e.g. looking at the Bode diagram and observing that it is the DC gain: $\|G\|_\infty = 20/3 = 6.67$. Hence, from the small gain theorem,

$$K\|f\|_2\|G\|_\infty < 1 \iff K < \frac{1}{\|f\|_2\|G\|_\infty} = K_1 = 3/20$$

- (b) For the saturation function, the two slopes describing the nonlinearity in the circle criterion are $k_1 = 0$ and $k_2 = 1$. Hence the circle has an infinite radius and it is passing through the point -1 (see Fig. 3). In order for the Nyquist curve of G to be outside of this circle, one must compute the leftmost point of its Nyquist plot, i.e., $\min_s \operatorname{Re}(G(s)) = -1.4$ (see green curve in Fig. 3). The upper bound on K is obtained as $K_2 = 1/1.4 = 0.71$.

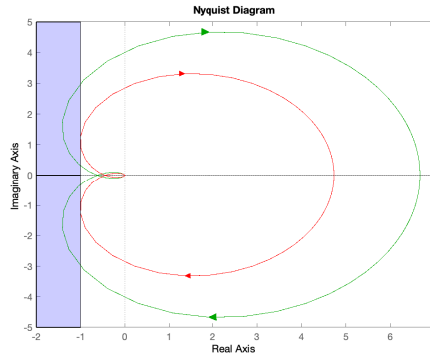


Figure 3: Computing upper bound on K using the circle criterion. Blue: the “forbidden” circle. Green: Nyquist plot of G . Red: Nyquist plot of $K_2 G(s)$.

- (c) The describing function of the saturation is real and $-\frac{1}{Y_f(C)}$ has the curve shown in blue in Fig. 4, i.e., it “ends” at -1 (the critical point in the Nyquist diagram).

Hence as long as $KG(S)$ does not cross or circle -1, both the open loop and the closed loop system are stable. Since the amplitude margin for $G(s)$ is 1.6, it must be $K < K_3 = 1.6$.

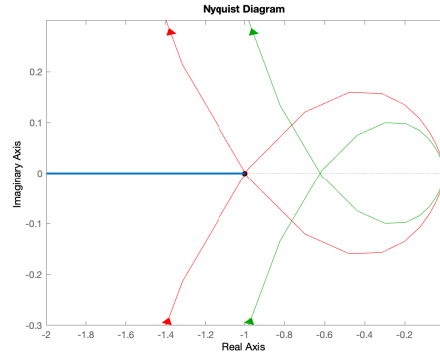


Figure 4: Computing upper bound on K via describing function. Blue: $-\frac{1}{Y_f(C)}$; Green: Nyquist plot of G ; red: Nyquist plot of $K_3G(s)$.

- (d) Of the 3 bounds, $K_1 = 0.15$ is the most conservative, then $K_2 = 0.71$ and finally the least conservative is $K_3 = 1.6$ (which is the exact value in this case).