



# EL2520 Control Theory and Practice

## Lecture 7: Multivariable loop shaping

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## Modern loop shaping

The modern view of control systems analysis and design

- signal norms, system gains, frequency responses
- constraints on many transfer functions (cf. "gang of six")
- fundamental limitations, robustness

Extends from SISO to MIMO

Today's lecture: modern loop shaping using H-infinity design

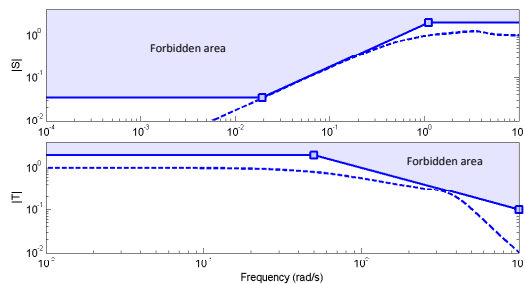
- Specify controller performance in terms of frequency responses
- Convert these constraints to weights
- Constrain norms of weighted transfer functions
- Directly design optimal controllers

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## Sensitivity shaping

Convenient to design controller by constraining critical transfer matrices



$$\|W_S S\|_\infty \leq 1$$

$$\|W_T T\|_\infty \leq 1$$

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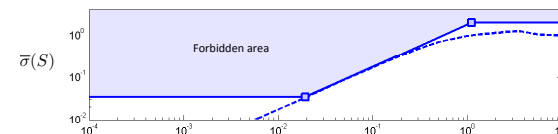
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## Constraining singular values

If we assume that  $W_S$  is scalar, then  $\|W_S S\|_\infty \leq 1$  is implied by

$$|W_S(i\omega)| \cdot \bar{\sigma}(S(i\omega)) \leq 1 \quad \forall \omega$$

Hence,  $W_S$  defines a "forbidden area" for the singular values.



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## Fundamental limitations

As for SISO, non-minimum phase elements limit how we can select weights

**Theorem.** Let  $G$  have a zero  $z$  in the right half plane, and let the scalar transfer function  $W_S$  be stable and minimum phase. Then, a necessary condition for

$$\|W_S S\|_\infty = \sup_\omega \bar{\sigma}(W_S(i\omega)S(i\omega)) \leq 1$$

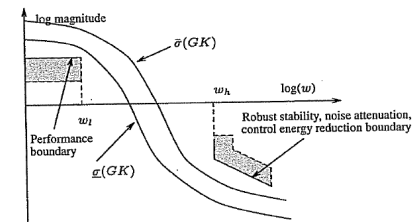
is that

$$|W_S(z)| \leq 1$$

Proof is analogous to SISO case (see book).

## Multivariable loop shaping

As in SISO-case, constraints on  $S$  and  $T$  can be translated to constraints on the (**singular values** of the) loop gain  $L$ .

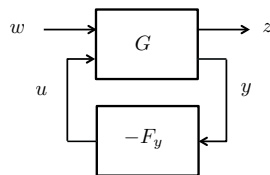


Hard to use for manual design of controllers (why?)

## Optimization-based design

Sensitivity-shaping can be done using the following result:

**Fact:** It is possible to find a controller that ensures that the gain from  $w$  to  $z$  is less than  $\gamma$  whenever such a controller exists.



The controller is linear and of the same order as  $G$ .

## Approximate design specifications

Problem: find controller that satisfies specifications

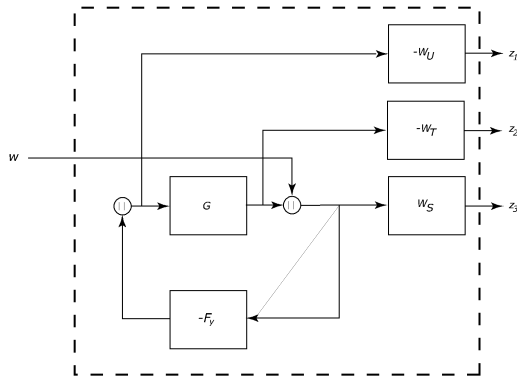
$$\begin{aligned} \|W_S S\| &\leq 1 \\ \|W_T T\| &\leq 1 \\ \|W_{SF_y} S F_y\| &\leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

If we consider the approximate constraint

$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} W_S S \\ W_T T \\ W_{SF_y} S F_y \end{pmatrix} \right\| \leq 1$$

this can be viewed as the norm of an "extended system"

## The extended system

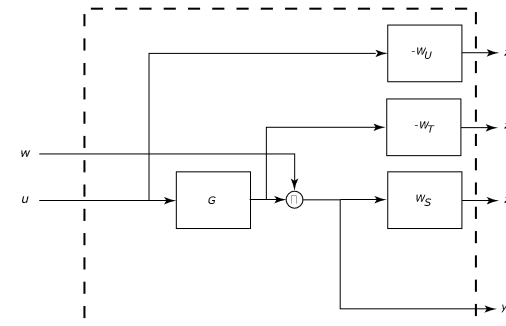


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## The extended system (cont' d)

Control design is based on the following model



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## The control design problem

Find controller that ensures that gain from  $w \rightarrow z$  is less than  $\gamma$ , i.e.

$$\int z(t)^T z(t) dt \leq \gamma^2 \int w(t)^T w(t) dt$$

Model:

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

$$y = Cx + w$$

$$z = Mx + Du$$

Assumption:

$$D^T \begin{bmatrix} M & D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: Dynamics of weights  $W_S$ ,  $W_T$ ,  $W_U$  part of system dynamics.

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## $H_\infty$ optimal control

Let  $P$  be a positive definite matrix solution to the Riccati equation

$$A^T P + PA + M^T M + P(\gamma^{-2} N N^T + B B^T) P = 0$$

If  $A - B B^T P$  is stable, the controller

$$\frac{d}{dt} \hat{x}(t) = A \hat{x} + Bu + N(y - C \hat{x})$$

$$u = -B^T P \hat{x}$$

fulfills the specifications (note: observer+state feedback)

**Notes.**

- controller order same as extended plant
- smallest gain can be found by a search over  $\gamma$  (e.g. by bisection)

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## How to select weights

Useful to constrain weights, limit number of "tuning knobs" in design

1. Start with scalar weights (only use matrix-weights when needed). Make sure weights are stable and minimum phase (why?)

2. Use simple weights with easy interpretation.

**Ex.**  $W_S(s) = \frac{sM_S + \omega_{BS}}{s + \omega_{BS}A}$ ,  $A \ll 1$ ,  $W_U = 1$  or  $W_U = \frac{s}{s + \omega_{BU}}$

3. Start shaping most important transfer matrix, then add one by one

**Ex.** first  $\|W_S S\|_\infty$ , then  $\left\| \begin{pmatrix} W_S S \\ W_U U \end{pmatrix} \right\|_\infty$  then "full system"

4. When channels are very different, use diagonal weights

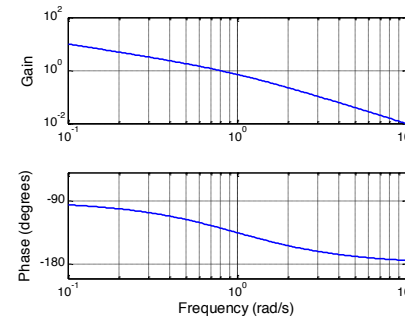
$$W_S(s) = \text{diag}\{W_{S_i}(s)\}$$

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## Example: DC servo

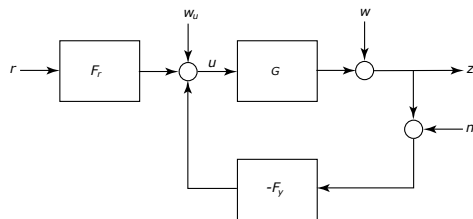
$$G(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+1)}$$



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## Specifications



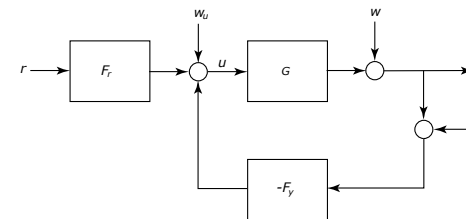
Would like:

- Small influence of low-frequency ( $<0.01$  rad/sec) disturbance  $w_u$  on output  $z$ . Maximum amplification 1.4 at any frequency.
- Limited amplification of high-frequency ( $>10$  rad/sec) noise  $n$  in control signal  $u$ . Maximum amplification 1.4 at any frequency.
- Robust stability despite high-frequency uncertainty

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## Quiz: What transfer functions?

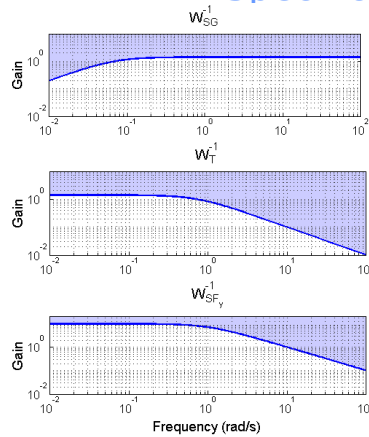


- $w_u \rightarrow z$ : SG
- Robust stability: T
- $n \rightarrow u$ : SF<sub>y</sub>

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## Specifications



$$\|W_{SG}SG\|_{\infty} \leq 1$$

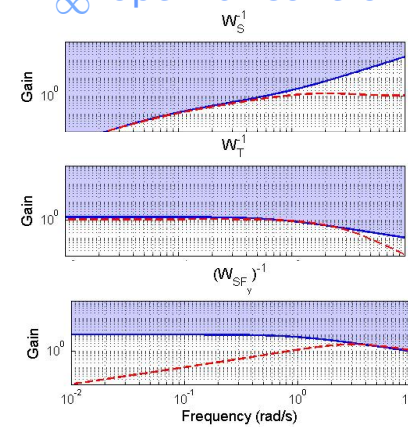
$$\|W_T T\|_{\infty} \leq 1$$

$$\|W_{SFy}SFy\|_{\infty} \leq 1$$

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## $H_{\infty}$ -optimal controller



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## Example

Consider the system with RHP zero

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{(0.2s + 1)(s + 1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 + 2s & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

RHP zero at  $z=0.5$ , with corresponding input direction  $(1, -1)$

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## A first design...

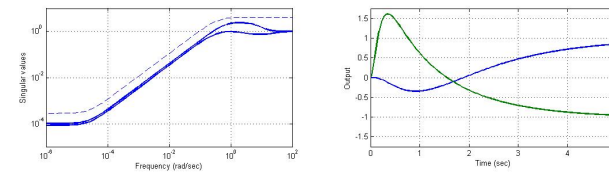
Since system has RHP zero at  $z=0.5$ , a reasonable weight is

$$W_S(s) = \frac{s/M_S + \omega_{BS}}{s + \omega_{BS}A} \quad M_S = 1.5, \omega_{BS} = 0.25, A = 1E-4$$

$$W_U(s) = 1$$

The mixed sensitivity design achieves  $\gamma_{\min} = 2.79$

Reasonable sensitivities, but poor time-domain performance.



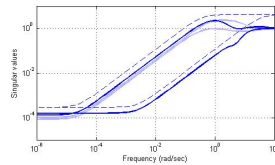
## A second design...

Can shift bandwidth limitation from one channel to the other  
(i.e. alter singular vectors; limitation on maximum singular value remains)

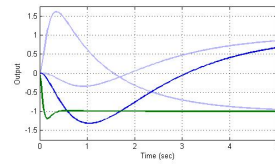
$$W_S(s) = \text{diag}\left\{\frac{s/M_{Si} + \omega_{BSi}}{s + \omega_{BSi}A_i}\right\} \quad M_{Si} = 1.5, \omega_{BS1} = 0.25, \omega_{BS2} = 25$$

$$W_U(s) = 1$$

Time response on channel two much better, constraint on bandwidth of maximum singular value of S still present.



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## Conclusions

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- Mixed sensitivity design: minimizing  $H_\infty$  norm of extended system
- Optimal solution is state-feedback plus observer
- Tuning knobs for design are weight functions
- Weight selection: part art, part science (must practice!)

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