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Robust Control with Classical Methods – QFT

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- Review of the classical Bode-Nichols control problem
- QFT in the basic Single Input Single Output (SISO) case
- Uncertainty and Fundamental Design Limitations
- QFT for non-minimum phase and computer controlled systems
- QFT for cascaded systems, and for a class of non-linear plants
- QFT for Multi-Input Multi-Output (MIMO) plants
- A comparison between QFT and other robust and adaptive control

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QFT for cascaded SISO systems

- Canonical 3 d-o-f system
- Design objectives
- Cascaded SISO – cost of feedback
- Digital procedure: outside – in
 - Outer loop first
 - Free uncertainty
 - Inner loop
- Example
- Exercises

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Cascaded 3 d-o-f system with two measurable plant variables

$$L_2 = P_2 G_2$$

$$P_2^e = L_2 / (1 + L_2)$$

$$L_1 = G_1 P_1^e P_1$$

$$T = FL_1 / (1 + L_1)$$

$$\frac{U}{N_1} = \frac{-L_1 / (P_1 P_2)}{1 + L_1} = -G_1 G_2, s \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\frac{Y}{D_1} = \frac{1}{1 + L_1}$$

$$\frac{U}{N_2} = \frac{-L_2 / P_2}{1 + L_1 (1 + L_2)} = -G_2, s \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\frac{Y}{D_2} = \frac{1}{(1 + L_1)(1 + L_2)}$$

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Design objectives

- Technical assumption that may be relaxed: P_1 and P_2 have **independent** uncertainties
- Specifications, as in one-section SISO
- Design F, G_1, G_2 s.t. specifications are satisfied
- Use remaining freedom to minimize

$$u_{rms}^2 = \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{U}{N_1} \Phi_{N_1} + \frac{U}{N_2} \Phi_{N_2} \right) d\omega$$

where Φ_{N_1} and Φ_{N_2} are power spectra of N_1, N_2

- This is often difficult to do exactly, so approximately ...

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Cascaded SISO system

Cost of feedback:

$$|u(s)/n_1(s)| \rightarrow |G_1(s)G_2(s)|, s \rightarrow \infty$$

$$|u(s)/n_2(s)| \rightarrow |G_2(s)|, s \rightarrow \infty$$

Cf. one-section SISO design:

$$|u(s)/n(s)| \rightarrow |G(s)|, s \rightarrow \infty$$

- Trade-off: sensor cost \leftrightarrow cost of feedback
- Sometimes: cascaded solution exists when one-section SISO does not

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Design procedure Outer loop first

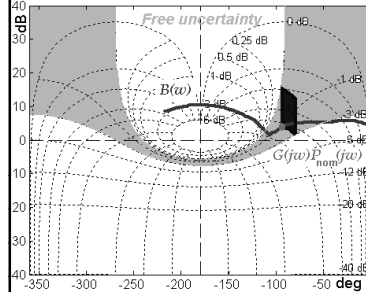
- Assume temporarily that inner closed loop = 1
- Design as in ordinary SISO, but satisfying the Horowitz bounds with some margin, in order to leave some *free uncertainty* for the inner closed loop so that its bandwidth does not have to become too high.

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Free uncertainty

- Given the value set $\{P_i(j\omega)\}$, the computed bound $B(\omega)$, and a feedback compensator $G(j\omega)$, such that the specification is satisfied.
- Definition:** The **Free Uncertainty** is defined as the maximal value set that includes $\{P_i(j\omega)\}$, that would satisfy the specification with the given bound and feedback compensator.

Free uncertainty, cont'd



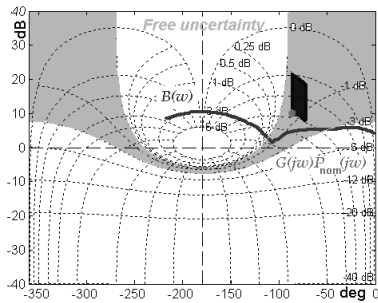
- $B(\omega)$ = bound emanating from tolerance specification

$$\max |S(j\omega)| \leq \sqrt{2} (= 3\text{dB})$$

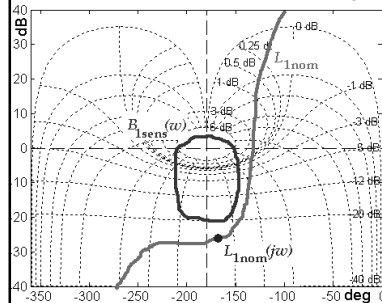
$$\min |S(j\omega)|$$

- The Free Uncertainty value set would have satisfied the same spec
- Note that there is no free uncertainty in all directions if the design is "tight" on the bound

Free uncertainty, cont'd



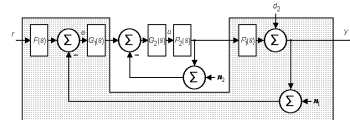
Free uncertainty, cont'd



- When designing the outer nominal loop, L_{1nom} , it is important to leave some margin to the bounds, in order to accommodate for uncertainty in P_2^e

Design procedure: ...and then the Inner loop

- Since $G_1(s)$ is now known, and $P_1(s)$ is known (with uncertainty) the computation of the Horowitz-Sidi bounds is different for the inner loop:



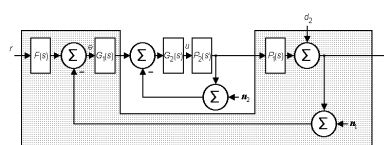
- ♥ Tolerance bound: compute feasible set for $G_2(s)$.

$$\max_{m,n} \frac{G_1(j\omega_k) \left(\frac{G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)}{1 + G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)} \right) P_{1m}(j\omega_k)}{1 + G_1(j\omega_k) \left(\frac{G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)}{1 + G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)} \right) P_{1m}(j\omega_k)} \leq \frac{b(\omega_k)}{a(\omega_k)}$$

$$\min_{m,n} \frac{G_1(j\omega_k) \left(\frac{G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)}{1 + G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)} \right) P_{1m}(j\omega_k)}{1 + G_1(j\omega_k) \left(\frac{G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)}{1 + G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)} \right) P_{1m}(j\omega_k)}$$

- ♥ b and a are the original servo specifications (y/t)

Design procedure: the Inner loop



- Output disturbance rejection bounds, $|y/d_2| \leq c$:

$$\max_{m,n} \left| 1 + G_1(j\omega_k) \left(\frac{G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)}{1 + G_2(j\omega_k) P_{2n}(j\omega_k)} \right) P_{1m}(j\omega_k) \right|^{-1} \leq c(j\omega_k)$$

- Finally, find $F(s)$ as in ordinary SISO design.

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Example

- Servo, and sensitivity (6dB) specifications

rsrs frequency domain specification from p1.spc

rsrs time domain specification from p1.spc

$$P_1(s) = \frac{k_1}{(s+1)^2}, k_1 \in [1, 100]$$

$$P_2(s) = \frac{k_2}{s}, k_2 \in [1, 100]$$

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Outer cascaded design of $G_1(s)$

$$G_1(s) = 3 \frac{(s^2 + 2s + 1)(s/50 + 1)(s/350 + 1)}{s(s/10 + 1)(s/200 + 1)(s^2/350^2 + s/350 + 1)}$$

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Inner cascaded design of $G_2(s)$

$$G_2(s) = 2 \frac{(s^2 + 2s + 1)}{(s/5 + 1)(s/20 + 1)} \cdot \frac{(s/200 + 1)(s/800 + 1)}{(s/3500 + 1)(s^2/200^2 + s/200 + 1)}$$

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Cf. one-section SISO design

$$G(s) = \frac{2.8(1 + s/0.8)(1 + s/4)(1 + s/200)}{s(1 + s/24)(1 + s/1800)(1 + s/3500)}$$

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Comparison: Cost of feedback

- Cascaded SISO:**
 $|G_1(500 \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot j)| = 22\text{dB}$
 $|G_2(500 \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot j)| = 30\text{dB}$
- One-section SISO:**
 $|G(500 \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot j)| = 37\text{dB}$

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Exercises

- Correct and simplify the design of the example problem. Include the prefilter design. Simulate.
- Given the plant and specs below. Solve the design problem as an a) cascaded problem, and b) as a one-section SISO problem. Compare!

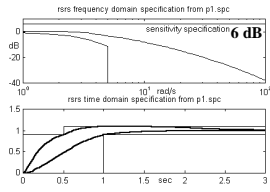
$$P_1(s) = \frac{K_1}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \quad P_2(s) = \frac{ABK_2}{(s+a)(s+B)}$$

$$K_1 \in [4, 1250], \zeta\omega_n \in [-3, 5], \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2} \in [2, 10]$$

$$K_2 \in [1000, 5215], A \in [1, 3], B \in [10, 20]$$

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Exercise 2, specifications



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rsrs('p1','rsrs',[1 0.5],10,[1.5 10],[],w_nom,5,3.1);
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