

## Exercises session 3: Circle Theorem, Uncertainty, MIMO Poles

**Ex. 1:** Consider the system depicted in Figure 1(a) where  $G(s)$  is an asymptotically stable SISO system having the Nyquist diagram depicted in Figure 1(b)

1. Compute the maximum gain  $K$  that guarantees the closed-loop stability using the circle criterion.

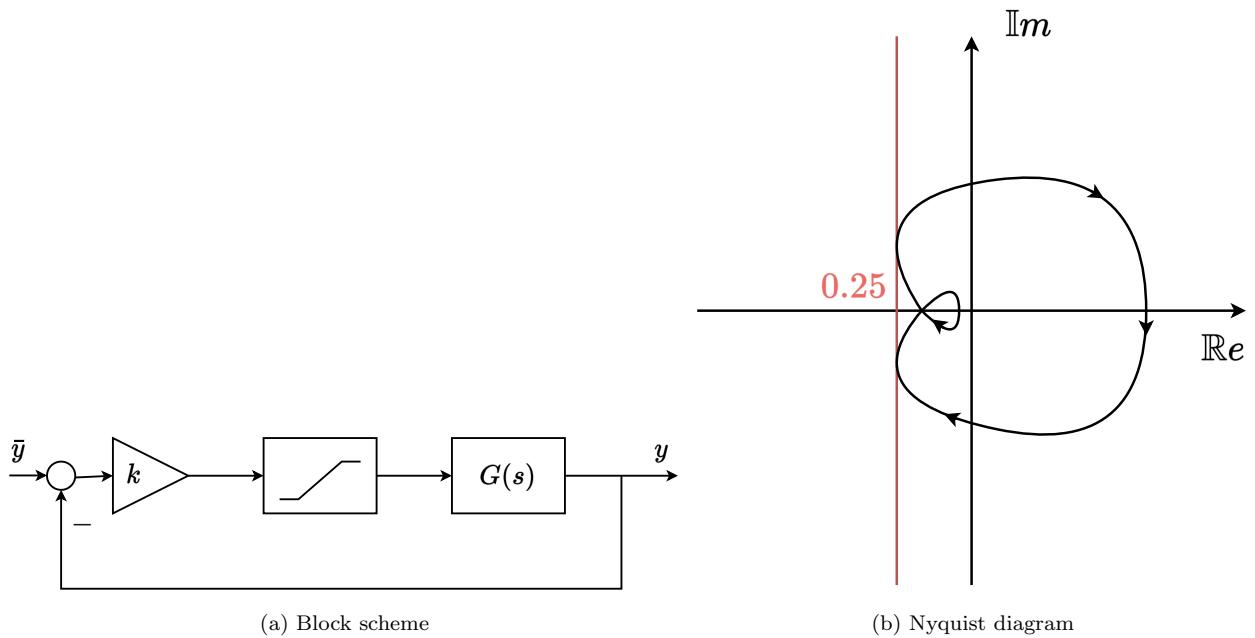


Figure 1

**Ex. 2:** Consider the nominal closed-loop system depicted in Figure 2, where

$$\bar{G}(s) = \frac{1}{1+sT}, \quad T > 0 \text{ (A.S.)}, \quad (1)$$

while the real system is

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{(1+sT)(1+\alpha s)}, \quad \alpha > 0, \quad (2)$$

1. Model the uncertainty as both additive and multiplicative
2. Show how to design a controller which is robust to there uncertainties using the small gain theorem.

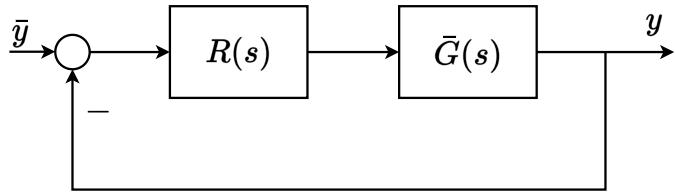


Figure 2: Ex. 2 Block diagram

**Ex. 3:** Given the MIMO transfer function

$$G(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s+1} & \frac{-1}{s+1} & \frac{10}{s+2} \\ \frac{2}{s+1} & \frac{-0.5}{s+0.25} & \frac{10}{s+1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Compute

1. the poles of  $G(s)$
2. and the zeros of  $G(s)$ .

**Ex. 4:** Given the following continuos time system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = A x + B u \\ y = C x + D u \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

1. Compute the poles and zeros of the system
2. Check if the system is fully reachable and observable.
3. and the transfer function  $G(s)$ .
4. Evaluate the poles of  $G(s)$ .

**Ex. 5:** (Additional) Given the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -x_1^3 + x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = x_2^2 + u \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

Find the back stepping control law that stabilizes the origin given the formula

$$u = -\frac{dV_1(x_1)}{dx_1}g(x_1) - k(x_2 - \phi_1(x_1)) + \frac{d\phi_1(x_1)}{dx_1}(f(x_1) + g(x_1)x_2) \quad (7)$$

*Hint: Use the extended formulation.*

- CIRCLE Theorem
- MIMO poles / zeros



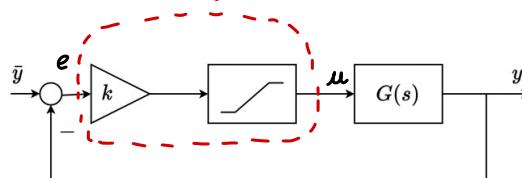
**CIRCLE criterium** extension of Nyquist to access  
the system stability (NON LINEAR)

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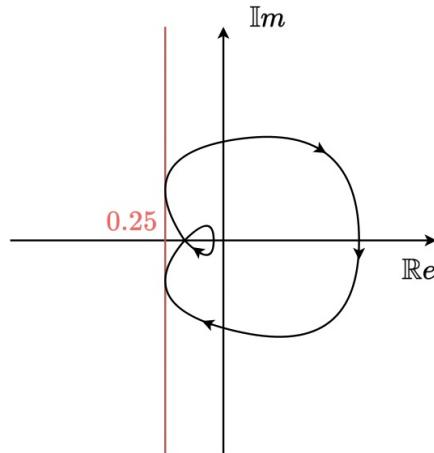
- Compute the maximum gain  $K$  that guarantees the closed-loop stability using the circle criterion.

$G(s)$  asympt. stable

Regulator



(a) Block scheme



(b) Nyquist diagram

Figure 1

$\underbrace{K e}_{\text{sat}} \rightarrow \underbrace{\text{SAT}}_{\text{SATURATION}} \rightarrow u$  limit the actuator capability into a range ( $u_{\min} \div u_{\max}$ )

①  $K$  such that closed loop syst is asympt. stable using CIRCLE CRITERION...

$$u = f(e)$$

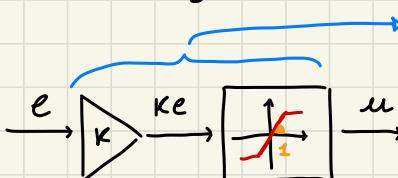
sector Bounded  $\rightarrow$  to apply CIRCLE criterion

function is sector Bounded IF exist two values  $K_1, K_2$  such that

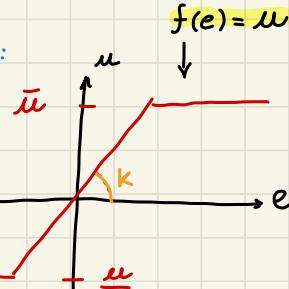
$$\exists K_1, K_2 \in \mathbb{R} \mid K_1 e \leq f(e) \leq K_2 e$$

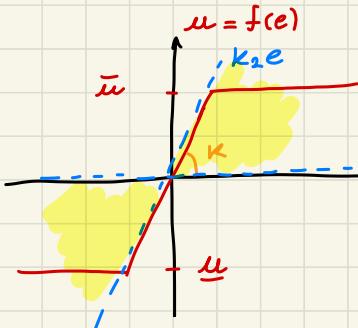
- open loop system asympt. stable!

- REGULATOR as cascade of PROP + SAT



overall :





$$\begin{cases} K_1 = 0 \\ K_2 = K \end{cases} \quad \checkmark$$

$f(e)$  is sector bounded! it lays between  $[K_1 e, K_2 e]$

Circle criterion: if Nyquist diag do NOT encircle the circle with diameter  $[-1/K_1, -1/K_2]$



closed loop system is asympt. stable!

$$\begin{cases} K_1 = 0 \rightsquigarrow -1/K_1 \text{ goes to } -\infty \\ K_2 = K \end{cases}$$

circle degenerate, it becomes a line!

line on  $-1/K_2$

so respect Nyquist diag.  
this must NOT encounter  
the line,  
so at least

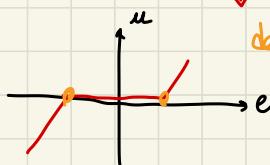
$$-\frac{1}{K_2} < -0.25$$

$$\begin{cases} K_2 < 4 \\ K < 4 \end{cases}$$

closed loop asympt stable  
for  $\boxed{K < 4}$

respect:

$K_1 = 0 \rightsquigarrow$  only when SATURATION/ DEAD ZONE are present on the  $f(e) = u$



deadzone = min error

value such that the actuator work

Ex. 2: Consider the nominal closed-loop system depicted in Figure 2, where

$$\bar{G}(s) = \frac{1}{1+sT}, \quad T > 0 \text{ (A.S.)}, \quad \sim R(s) \cdot \bar{G}(s) \text{ overall close loop A.S.} \quad (1)$$

while the real system is

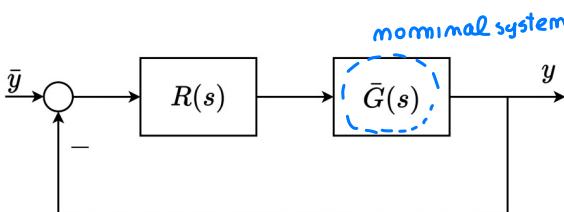
$$G(s) = \frac{1}{(1+sT)(1+\alpha s)}, \quad \alpha > 0,$$

1. Model the uncertainty as both additive and multiplicative

2. Show how to design a controller which is robust to these uncertainties using the small gain theorem.

difference between real / nominal

system  $\rightarrow$  the new pole can loose stability of system closed loop in reality



nominal system  $\bar{G}(s)$  := used to design  $R(s)$ , regulator  
↓  
simplest version of the system

Figure 2: Ex. 2 Block diagram

d: to check when the system remain stable  $\rightarrow$  uncertainty Robustness...

① model uncertainty by multiplicative / additive form

### ① MULTIPLICATIVE

model uncertainty

$$G(s) = \bar{G}(s) \left( 1 + \Delta G_m(s) \right)$$

knowing  $G, \bar{G}$   $\rightarrow$  we can compute  $\Delta G_m$ :

$$\frac{1}{(1+sT)(1+sd)} = \frac{1}{1+sT} (1 + \Delta G_m(s))$$

$T > 0$ , pale asympt. stable  $\rightarrow$  can be cancel out!

$$\Delta G_m(s) = \frac{1}{1+sd} - 1 = -\frac{sd}{1+sd}$$

multiplicative uncertainty

### ② ADDITIVE

simply summed uncertainty

$$G(s) = \bar{G}(s) + \Delta G_a(s) \quad \text{as before, we know } G, \bar{G} \text{ parametric, so we can find...}$$

$$\frac{1}{(1+sT)(1+sd)} = \frac{1}{1+sT} + \Delta G_a(s)$$

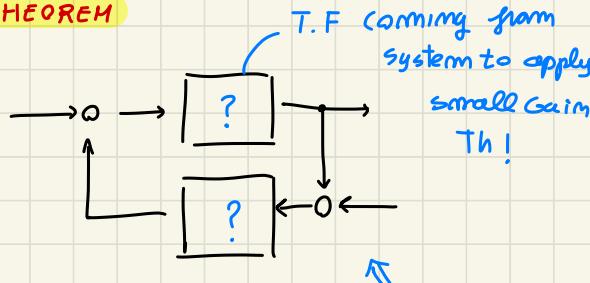
$$\Delta G_a(s) = \frac{1 - 1 - \alpha s}{(1+sT)(1+s\alpha)} = -\frac{\alpha s}{(1+sT)(1+s\alpha)}$$

additive uncertainty

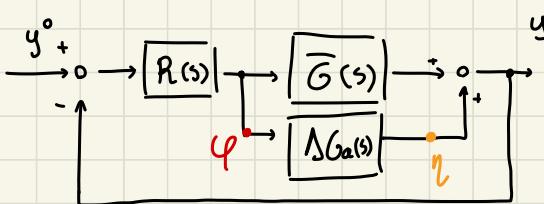
having both  $\Delta G$   $\rightarrow$  we can check stability / robustness using small gain theorem !

## ② SMALL GAIN THEOREM

form a system



### ① additive uncertainty ( $\Delta G_a$ )



for an equivalent representation calling

$$\begin{cases} \eta \text{ output of } \Delta G_a \\ \varphi \text{ input of } \Delta G_a \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \eta = \Delta G_a(s) \varphi \\ \varphi = -R(s)y \end{array} \right\}$$

reference in  $\varphi$

equally we can express  $\eta$  as...  $\varphi = -R(s)y$  (considering  $y^o = 0$ )

$$\begin{aligned} &= -R(s)(\varphi \bar{G}(s) + \eta) \\ &\downarrow \\ \left[ \varphi = -\frac{R(s)\eta}{1 + R(s)\bar{G}(s)} \right] &= -R(s) \frac{1}{1 + R(s)\bar{G}(s)} \eta \end{aligned}$$

nominal sensitivity function  $\bar{S}(s)$

so block scheme equivalently

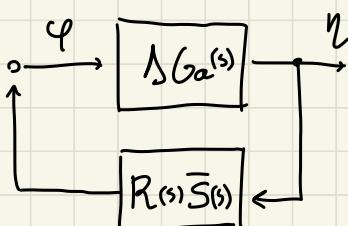
sufficient condition

of SMALL GAIN TH. for asymptotic stability of closed loop system

↳ (IF the norm of  $R(s)\bar{S}(s)\Delta G_a(s)$  @ jw  $\leq 1$ )

$$\text{IF } \|R(jw)\bar{S}(jw)\Delta G_a(jw)\| \leq 1$$

$\Rightarrow$  closed loop syst asympt. stable even for uncertainty  $\Delta G_a$ .

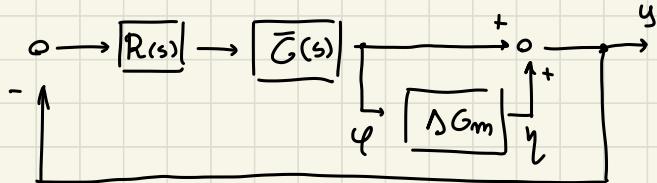


$R(j\omega), \bar{S}(j\omega)$   
design parameters

$$\| R(j\omega) \cdot \bar{S}(j\omega) \|_{\infty} \leq 1$$

sufficient condition!  $\Leftarrow$  (due to  $\infty$  norm)

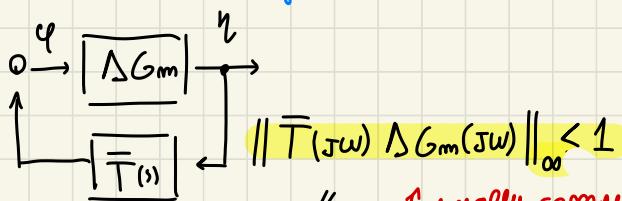
## ② multiplicative ( $\Delta G_m$ )



(neglecting  $y^*$ )

to apply Small Gain Th:

from this loop...



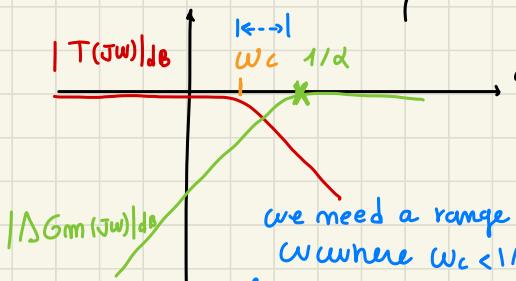
Here  $\| \cdot \|_{\infty}$  can be computed by hand:

(dB)

$$\text{on dB: } |A \cdot B| < 1 \Rightarrow |A|_{\text{dB}} + |B|_{\text{dB}} < 0 \text{ dB}$$

$$\forall \omega: |\bar{T}(j\omega)|_{\text{dB}} + |\Delta G_m(j\omega)|_{\text{dB}} < 0 \text{ dB}$$

from theory  $T(j\omega)$  has the form...



so it is possible  
to find  $d$  such that  
closed loop system  
is robust

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } \omega_c < 1/d \\ \text{the system is asymptotically stable} \end{array} \right.$

where  $\omega_c < 1/d$ , they must NOT overlap  
for any  $\omega$  or the condition  $< 0 \text{ dB}$  is NOT respected!

$$\eta = \Delta G_m(s) \varphi$$

in that case

$$(\varphi = -R(s) \bar{G}(s) y =$$

$$= -R(s) \bar{G}(s) (\varphi + \eta)$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\varphi = -\frac{R(s) \bar{G}(s)}{1 + R(s) \bar{G}(s)} \eta$$

nominal complementary  
sensitivity T.F  $\bar{T}(s)$

Ex. 3: Given the MIMO transfer function

$$G(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s+1} & \frac{-1}{s+1} & \frac{10}{s+2} \\ \frac{2}{s+1} & \frac{-0.5}{s+0.25} & \frac{10}{s+1} \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute

1. the poles of  $G(s)$ 
  - 3 minors of order 2
2. and the zeros of  $G(s)$ .
  - 6 minors of order 1

(1) POLES 1<sup>st</sup> step) compute all the minors of the function:

(of any order)  $\downarrow$  minor of a Matrix:

in our case



• minor of order  $r$  is the determinant of a submatrix  $r \times r$

$$M_{12} = \det [c_1 \ c_2]$$

$$M_{23} = \det [c_2 \ c_3]$$

$$M_{13} = \det [c_1 \ c_3]$$

2<sup>nd</sup> step) find characteristic polynomial  $\varphi(s) :=$  least common denominator of all minors

3<sup>rd</sup> step) find the roots of  $\varphi(s) \rightarrow$  you found the system poles!

NOTICE) from a s.s representation: easier you take  $A$  and compute eig values from there

(1)  $M_{12} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s+1} & -\frac{1}{s+1} \\ \frac{2}{s+1} & -\frac{0.5}{s+0.25} \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{0.5}{(s+1)(s+0.25)} + \frac{2}{(s+1)^2} = \dots = \frac{1.5s}{(s+1)^2(s+0.25)}$

$$M_{13} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s+1} & \frac{10}{s+2} \\ \frac{2}{s+1} & \frac{10}{s+1} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{10}{(s+1)^2} - \frac{20}{(s+1)(s+2)} = \frac{(s+2)10 - 20(s+1)}{(s+1)^2(s+2)} = \frac{10s}{(s+1)^2(s+2)}$$

$$M_{23} = \det \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{s+1} & \frac{10}{s+2} \\ -\frac{0.5}{s+0.25} & \frac{10}{s+1} \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{10}{(s+1)^2} + \frac{5}{(s+2)(s+0.25)} = \frac{-10(s+2)(s+0.25) + 5(s+1)^2}{(s+2)(s+1)^2(s+0.25)} =$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-5s(s+2.5)}{(s+1)^2(s+2)(s+0.25)}}$$

We also have minor of order 1!

least common den of all minor  $\leadsto (s+1)^2(s+2)(s+0.25) = \varphi(s)$   
of all matrix  
 $\downarrow$   
the roots are all the poles..

Poles }  $s_{1,2} = -1$  4 poles  $\rightarrow$  they all appear on  $G(s)$ ,  
 $s_3 = -2$  BUT we must apply the procedure  
 $s_4 = -0.25$  to find multiplicity  
 $\Downarrow$

MIMO T.F poles must be found by this procedure

(2) ZEROS from T.F  $\leadsto$  standard procedure to compute it

1<sup>st</sup> step) from MIMO T.F : compute NORMAL RANK  $r_m$  of the matrix  $G(s)$

- Rank of  $G(s)$   $\forall s$  except for a finite number of  $s$  ( $\forall$  there is  $s$  such that  $G$  lose rank we don't look at it)
- $r_m = 2$  in our case (2 rows  $\leq n$  imdip)  $\leadsto$  2 rows lin imdip

2<sup>nd</sup> step) compute all minors of order  $r_m$  cur item such that they have  $\varphi(s)$  as denominator fixing the numerator

3<sup>rd</sup> step) compute the polynomial  $Z(s) :=$  maximum common divisor of all the minors  $r_m$

4<sup>th</sup> step) roots of  $Z(s)$  are the zeros of the system

①  $r_m=2$ , already minors of order  $r_m$  computed

②  $M_{12} = \frac{1.5s}{(1+s)^2(s+0.25)(s+2)}$  ← such that  $Q(s)$  is the denominator

$$M_{13} = -\frac{10s}{(s+1)^2(s+2)} \frac{(s+0.25)}{(s+0.25)}$$

$$M_{23} = \frac{-5s(s+2.5)}{(s+1)^2(s+2)(s+0.25)}$$

③ max common divisors = common factor along numerator!

$$Z(s) = s \rightarrow ④ \underbrace{s=0}_1 \text{ is the only zero of our system!}$$

{ zeros which don't appear on any minor of I ORD of  $G(s)$  }

Ex. 4: Given the following continuous time system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax + Bu \\ y = Cx + Du \end{cases} \quad \text{s.s form}$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

poles / zeros from s.s

+ OBS/REACH check

and comparison between

T.F / S.S computation

1. Compute the poles and zeros of the system
2. Check if the system is fully reachable and observable.
3. and the transfer function  $G(s)$ .
4. Evaluate the poles of  $G(s)$ .

1) poles from s.s can be easily computed from matrix A:

$$\varphi(s) = \det(sI - A) = \det \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 \\ 1 & s+1 \end{bmatrix} = s(s+1) \rightarrow \text{poles} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} s_1 = 0 \\ s_2 = -1 \end{array} \right.$$

Instead to compute the zeros of MIMO system from ss (long procedure)

↓ we can use system MATRIX:

$$P(s) = \begin{bmatrix} sI - A & -B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{ZEROS: are values of } s \text{ such that} \\ \text{rank}(P(s)) < r_m \quad (P(s) \text{ lose rank!}) \end{array}$$

$$P(s) = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} s & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & s+1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$r_m$ : rank for any  $s$  except for some value of  $s$

↓  
here all rows independent  
 $r_m = 4$  (except for a finite number of values of  $s$ )

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & s+1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & s+1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline - & - & - & - \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{these are} \\ \text{lin dep. Vs} \\ \text{while are} \\ \text{our are dep.} \end{array}$$

det of a  $4 \times 4$  matrix:  
computed by decomposition

$$\text{ZEROS} \quad \det(P(s)) = 0$$



$$P(s) = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} s & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & s+1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \det(P(s)) = s(-1)^{4+1} \det \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} s+1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] +$$

$$+ 0 (-1)^3 \cancel{\det \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]} + 1 (-1)^4 \det \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & s+1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] +$$

$$+ 1(-1)^5 \det \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & s+1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] =$$

↑  
 { with same procedure }  
 $\downarrow$

$$= s \left[ 1(-1)^{3+1} \cancel{\det \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]} + 1(-1)^{3+2} \det \left[ \begin{array}{cc} s+1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \right] +$$

$$+ \left[ 1(-1)^4 \det \left[ \begin{array}{cc} s+1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] + 1(-1)^5 \cancel{\det \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]} \right] =$$

$$= -s [s+1-1] + [s+1-1] = s - s^2 = s(1-s) = \det(P(s)) = 0$$

⇒ ZEROS

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} s=0 \\ s=1 \end{array} \right.$$

considerations...

- pole im  $s=0$  / zero im  $s=0$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  cancellation?

in MIMO we cannot say a priori if the couple cancel out! → to check for cancellation

← we can use

- { ① Reachability matrix  
 &  
 Observability matrix



if cancellation happen, the Reach/obs matrix lose rank ⇒ no longer fully Reach/obs!

- ② Poles & zeros of MIMO T.F

(2) REACHABILITY

$$M_R = [B \ AB \ \dots \ A^{m-1}B]$$

$m=2$  (syst order)

(1)  $(m=2) \downarrow M_R = [B \ AB] = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right]$  rows elim. m dip  
rank = 2

$$\text{rank}(M_R) = 2$$

↳ fully Reachable!

### OBSERVABILITY

$$M_O = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ \hline -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

columns dependent!  $\Rightarrow \text{rank} = 1 < 2$

$\text{rank}(M_O) = 1 < 2$

NOT fully obs. system

↳ something happen, NOT fully obs.  $\rightarrow$  There is a cancellation

{ probably between poles/zeros in  $s=\infty$  ? }

cancellation happen

BUT we don't know where!

FROM poles/zeros from T.F of system:

(2) To check cancellation, from T.F

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(s) &= C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 \\ 1 & s+1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{s(s+1)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s+1 & 0 \\ -1 & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{s(s+1)} \begin{bmatrix} s & s \\ s & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{s(s+1)} \begin{bmatrix} -2s & -2s \\ -2s & -2s \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \\
 &= \frac{1}{s(s+1)} \begin{bmatrix} s^2-s & s^2-s \\ s^2-s & -2s \end{bmatrix} = \frac{s}{s(s+1)} \begin{bmatrix} s-1 & s-1 \\ s-1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{T.F of the system}
 \end{aligned}$$

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

cancellation! But until now is a simplification...

to check if cancel zero/pole evaluating

$$G(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s-1}{s+1} & \frac{s-1}{s+1} \\ \frac{s-1}{s+1} & -\frac{2}{s+1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{computing the POLES}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_2 &= \det[G(s)] = -\frac{2(s-1)}{(s+1)^2} - \frac{(s-1)^2}{(s+1)^2} = \\ &= -\frac{-2s+2-s^2+2s-1}{(s+1)^2} = \frac{-(s^2-1)}{(s+1)^2} = \\ &= -\frac{(s+1)(s-1)}{(s+1)^2} = \frac{s-1}{s+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$(p(s) = (s+1) \rightsquigarrow \text{pole im } s=-1)$$

zeros

$\Gamma_{m=2} \rightarrow$  all minors of order 2  $\rightsquigarrow$  max common divisor

$$Z(s) = s-1 \rightsquigarrow \text{zero im } s=+1$$

from T.F respect S.s analysis

we have a cancellation on  $s=0$

$G(s)$  represent

only Reach/Obs

part of the system

We cannot observe  
the pole/zero on  $s=0$

**Ex. 5:** (Additional) Given the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -x_1^3 + x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = x_2^2 + u \end{cases}$$

Find the back stepping control law that stabilizes the origin given the formula

$$u = -\frac{dV_1(x_1)}{dx_1}g(x_1) - k(x_2 - \phi_1(x_1)) + \frac{d\phi_1(x_1)}{dx_1}(f(x_1) + g(x_1)x_2)$$

*Hint: Use the extended formulation.*

## 0.1 Additional Informations

### Procedure for poles computation

:

1. Compute ALL the minors of any order of  $G(s)$ ,
2. Find their least common denominator  $\phi(s)$ ,
3. Find the roots of  $\phi(s)$ , well done!

**Remark.** *o A 'minor of order  $r$ ' of  $A$  is the determinant of an  $r \times r$  sub matrix of  $A$ .*

- o The characteristic polynomial  $\phi(s)$  of a MIMO system is the least common denominator of all the minors of any order of  $G(s)$ .*
- o The poles of  $G(s)$  are the roots of  $G(s)$ .*
- o If a state space representation is available, it may be easier to directly compute the eigenvalues of  $A$ .*

### Procedure for zeros computation

:

1. Compute the NORMAL RANK  $r_n$  of  $G(s)$ ,
2. Compute all the minors of order  $r_n$  written to have  $\phi(s)$  at the denominator,
3. Compute their maximum common divisor  $z(s)$
4. Find the roots of  $z(s)$ , well done!

**Remark.** *o The 'Normal Rank' of a matrix  $G(s)$  is the rank of  $G(s)$  for all the values of  $s$ , except for a finite number of values.*

- o The polynomial  $z(s)$  is defined as the maximum common divisor of all the minors of order  $r_n$  (normal rank) of  $G(s)$ , written such that they have  $\phi(s)$  as denominator.*
- o The invariant zeros are all and only the roots of  $z(s)$ .*