

# INTERNAL (IMC) MODEL CONTROL

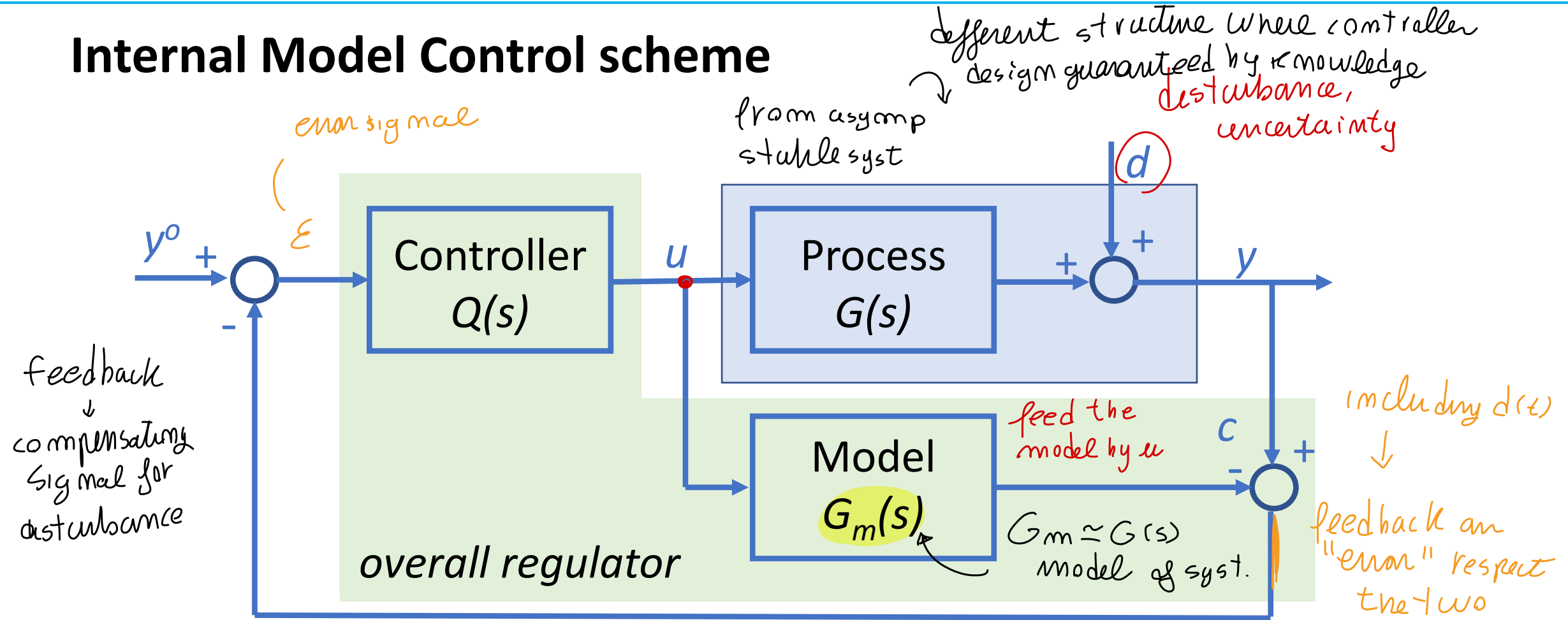
## Advanced and Multivariable Control

simple technique a lot used → based on using an  
**Internal Model Control** internal model of  
the process

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# Internal Model Control scheme



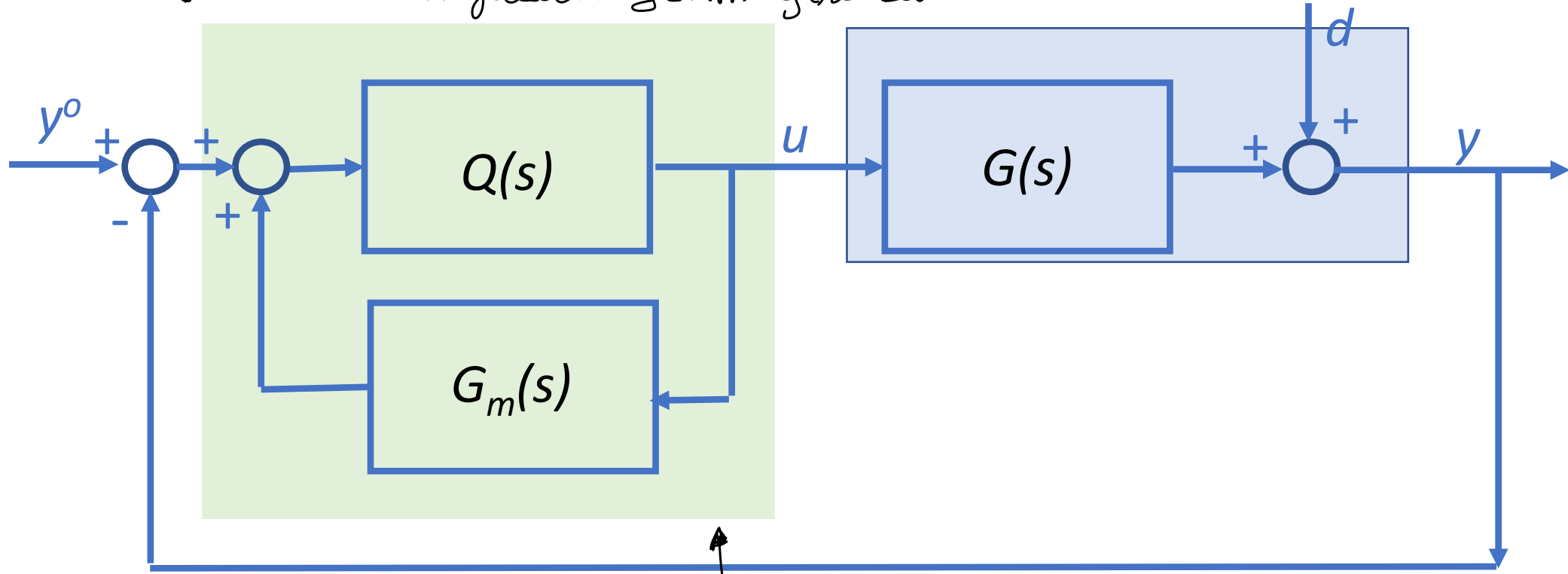
IF  $G(s) = G_m(s)$ ,  $d = 0$

$y = c \rightarrow$  no feedback,  
only open  
loop part  
control

The process is **SISO, asymptotically stable**  
and **described by the transfer function  $G(s)$**

popular approach  
used on process  
control

↪ (standard Regulator form you can obtain)



↪ Equivalent "standard" feedback regulator

$$R(s) = \frac{Q(s)}{1 - Q(s)G_m(s)}$$

# Internal Model Control scheme

$$C = (G - G_m)u + d \quad \text{null if there is no uncertainty}$$

(  $G = G_m, d = 0$  ) ↗

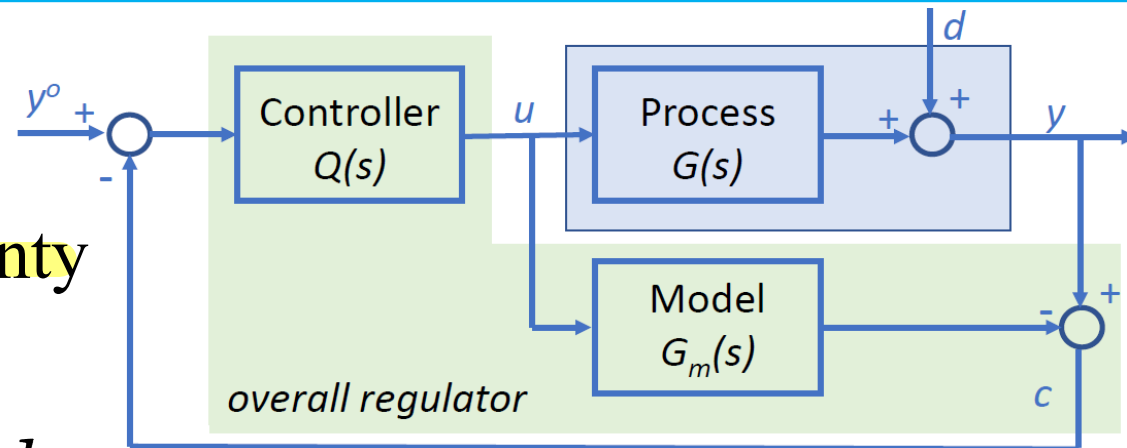
you can compute the T.F  $Y/Y_o, Y/D$

$$y = \frac{GQ}{1 + Q(G - G_m)} y^o + \frac{1 - QG_m}{1 + Q(G - G_m)} d$$

If  $Q = G_m^{-1}$ , then  $y = y^o$  **perfect tracking and disturbance rejection**  
 assuming ( $G_m \approx G$ )

These properties hold also when  $G \neq G_m$ : ↗ Good property!

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(if  $G, G_m$  asympt. st.  
 cascade of asympt. st.!)  
 perfect

usually  
 $G \neq G_m$   
 But also in  
 this case hold--

## Problems

normally  $G, G_m$  are strictly proper T.F

↓  $G_m^{-1}$  cannot be defined!

NOT possible in general ↓↓

The condition  $|Q = G_m^{-1}|$  can be critical due to

- physical realizability of  $G_m^{-1}$  (more zeros than poles)
- "unstable" zeros or delays ( $e^{-\tau s}$ ) of  $G_m \rightarrow$  cancellations with unstable zeros/poles of  $G$  and/or anticipative terms must be avoided (delays, unstable ZEROS issue!)

**Solution** *how to solve that problem*

Write  $G_m = \underbrace{G_{mn}}_{\text{PARTITION...}} G_{mp}$  where  $G_{mp}$  contains all the unstable zeros and the delay of  $G_m$  (*nonminimum phase terms, not invertible*) and has unit static gain ( $G_{mp}$  NON INVERTIBLE!)

Then set

*Idea to invert only the invertible part of  $G_m$ !*

$Q = G_{mn}^{-1} G_f$  *(you invert only the one possible to invert)*

*(instead of  $Q = G_m^{-1} G_f$ )*

where  $G_f$  is a low-pass filter, with  $G_f(0)=1$ , which makes  $Q$  causal (with a number of poles greater or equal to the number of zeros).  $G_f$  is also useful to provide some robustness. *↑ implementable!*

*$G_f$  to be chosen by modify cut-off freq of the filter*

## Example

$$G_m(s) = \frac{5(1-s)e^{-s}}{(1+2s)^2(1+5s)}$$

*nom min phase*  
*delay*

*The part containing unstable ZEROS + delay*

$$G_{mp}(s) = (1-s)e^{-s} \quad (\text{unit gain}) \rightarrow G(0) = 1$$

$$G_{mn}(s) = \frac{5}{(1+2s)^2(1+s)}$$

*remaining Gm part*

*↳  $G_{mn}^{-1}$  will have 3 ZEROS*

$$Q(s) = G_{mn}^{-1}(s)G_f(s) = \frac{(1+2s)^2(1+s)}{5(1+10s)(1+0.1s)^2}$$

$$G_f(s) = \frac{1}{(1+10s)(1+0.1s)^2}$$

*We should include 3 poles on  $G_f(s)$ !*

*define the dynamic we want by dominant pole, while the others on high frequency*



One obtains



$$y = \frac{G_{mp}G_f + (G - G_m)G_{mn}^{-1}G_f}{1 + (G - G_m)G_{mn}^{-1}G_f} y^o + \frac{1 - G_{mp}G_f}{1 + (G - G_m)G_{mn}^{-1}G_f} d$$

If  $G = G_m$  (perfect system model!)



$$y = G_{mp}G_f y^o + (1 - G_{mp}G_f)d$$

cannot be removed! unstable part not cancellable

tuning parameter in

Since  $G_{mp}(0) = G_f(0) = 1$

at the steady state  $y = y^o$

for constant disturbance

$G_f$  to modify response!

**Example**

$$G(s) = G_m(s) = \frac{5(1-s)e^{-s}}{(1+2s)^2(1+5s)} \quad (\text{no modeling error})$$

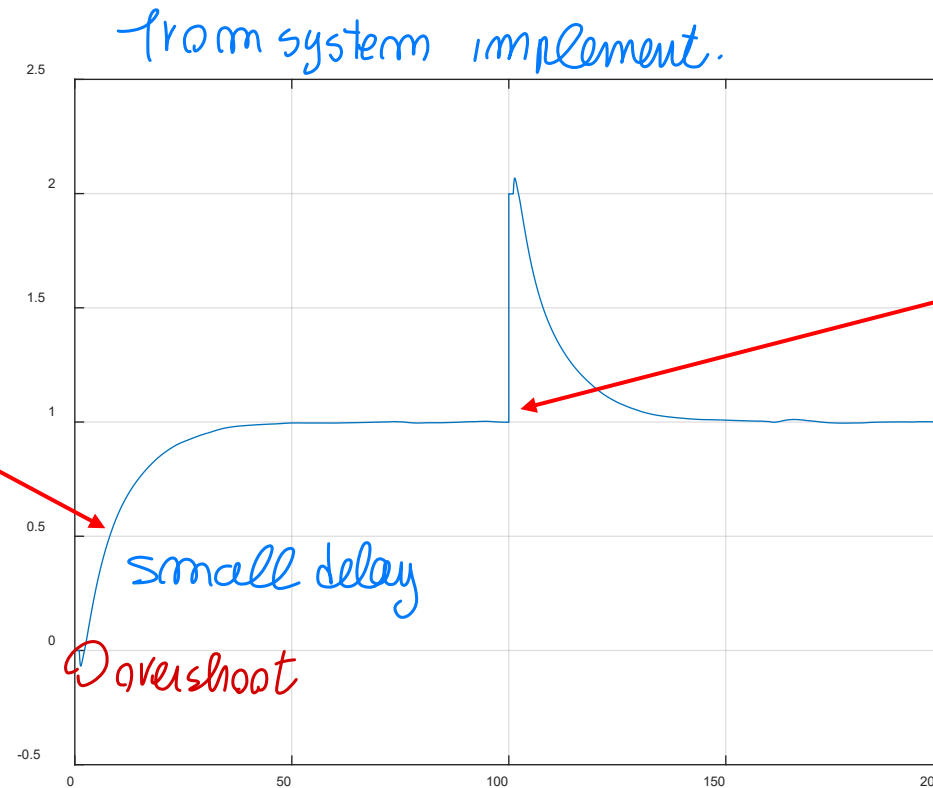


$$G_{mn}(s) = \frac{5}{(1+2s)^2(1+s)} \quad , \quad G_{mp}(s) = (1-s)e^{-s} \quad , \quad G_f(s) = \frac{1}{(1+10s)(1+0.1s)^2}$$

↑  
for  
implementation  
reasons

Step response dominated by the  
slow time constant ( $T=10$ ) of  $G_f$

step  
response  $\Rightarrow$



still unstable  
zeros as part of  
the system!

→ repeat analysis assuming a modelling error:

## Example

$$G(s) = \frac{5(1-s)e^{-s}}{(1+2s)^2(1+5s)}$$

$$G_m(s) = \frac{5(1-s)e^{-s}}{(1+2s)(1+5s)} \quad \text{I mistake one of the pole in } -0.5! \quad \text{(modeling error)}$$

$$G_{mn}(s) = \frac{5}{(1+2s)(1+s)}$$

Good part of G

$$G_{mp}(s) = (1-s)e^{-s}$$

Bad part!

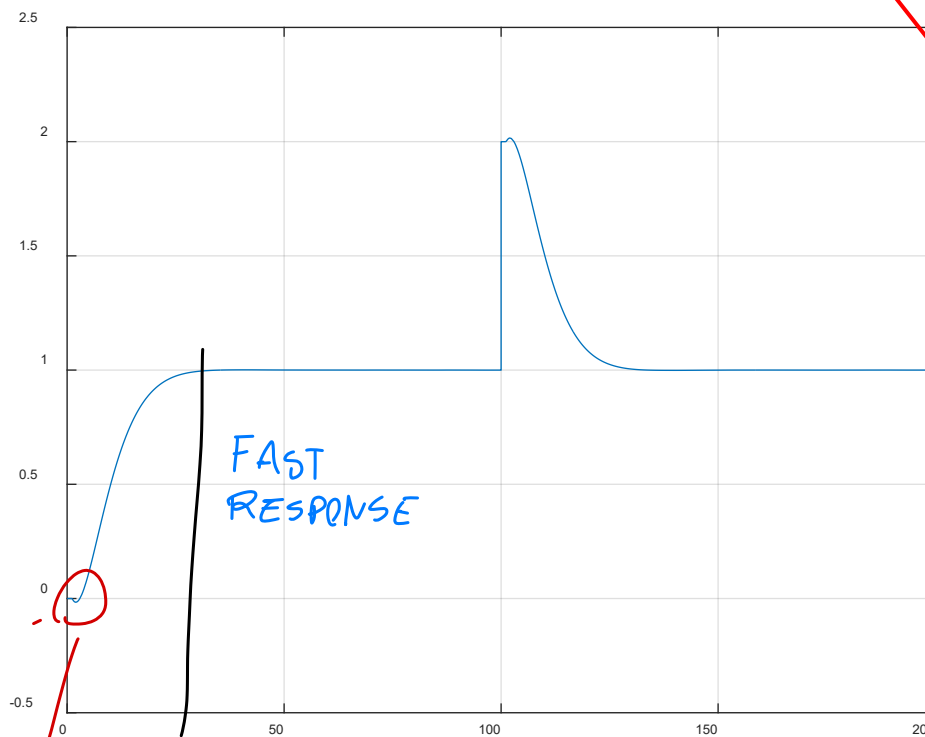
$$G_f(s) = \frac{1}{(1+10s)(1+0.1s)^2}$$

free design!

system  
step  
response

↳  
works well  
also for  
modelling error

small  
undershoot



$t_a \approx 45$

“practical” robustness

Stability Guaranteed  
because  $G(s)$  stable  
↓  
and all stability  
issue maintained  
@ numerator

**Comments***multivariable scheme based on plant model*

- The design procedure in the case of discrete time systems is exactly the same, only with  $s \rightarrow z$
- Many extensions are available, for example to unstable systems, or regulators with integral action. *(include integral action!)*
- Tuning rules for PID controllers based on IMC have been proposed
- Also for MIMO systems the design procedure is conceptually the same, but the partitioning

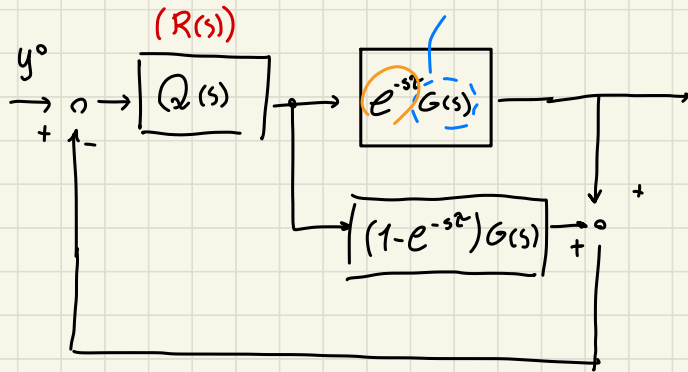
$$G_m = G_{mn} G_{mp}$$

is more complex

# smith predictor

SSD asymp stable

(delay constrain a lot)  
performance due to  
cwi limitation



$$\Rightarrow L(s) = R(s) G(s)$$

with these scheme  
using internal  
syst model!

on this loop T.F

you can design  $R(s)$

for a system without delay!

computing  $y/y^o$   
you still have the intrinsic  
delay of the system!

↓

you can design  $R(s)$  forgetting delay for better performance

you assume perfect  $\Sigma$ ,  $G(s)$  knowledge

→ ROBUSTNESS limitation ← model mismatch!

CRITICAL