

## Passivity:

- Consider

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= f(x, u) \\ y &= h(x, u)\end{aligned}$$

$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $y, u \in \mathbb{R}^m$

where  $f(0, 0) = 0, h(0, 0) = 0$

- (K) is passive if  $\exists$  a positive semidefinite

function  $V(x)$  ( $V(x) \geq 0, V(0) = 0$ ) s.t.

storage function  $\swarrow$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V} &\leq u^T y \\ \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f(x, u)\end{aligned}$$

- Output strictly passive:

$$\dot{V} \leq u^T y - y^T \varphi(y) \text{ where } y^T \varphi(y) > 0 \quad \forall y \neq 0$$

- Strictly passive

$$\dot{V} \leq u^T y - W(x) \text{ where } W(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$$

## Properties of passive systems:

Lemma 6.6:

passive  $\Rightarrow$  stable  
with  $u=0$

Proof:

$$\stackrel{\circ}{V} \leq u^T y \stackrel{u=0}{=} 0 \Rightarrow \text{stable}$$

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- To have A.S. we need stronger conditions.

- If the sys. is strictly passive, then

$$\stackrel{\circ}{V} \leq u^T y - W(x) = -W(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$$

- But we also need to make sure that  $V$  is positive-definite i.e.  $V(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$

- Strict passivity is only possible if  $V$  is p.d.  
- proof by contradiction

- Suppose  $\exists \bar{x} \neq 0$  s.t.  $V(x) = 0$

- Start the sys at  $x(0) = \bar{x}$ . Then

$$\dot{V}(x(t)) \leq -W(x(t))$$

$$\Rightarrow V(x(t)) - \underbrace{V(x_0)}_{V(\bar{x})=0} \leq - \int_0^t W(x(s)) ds$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^t W(x(s)) ds \leq -V(x(t)) \leq 0$$

- Because  $W(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$ , this is only possible if  $W(x(t)) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x(t) = 0 \quad \forall t$   
 $\Rightarrow \bar{x} = 0 \quad \checkmark$

- Therefore,  $V(x)$  is p.d. ✓ Contradicts  $\bar{x} \neq 0$

Lemma 6.7 (a)

strict passive  $\Rightarrow$  A.S.

- Can we have A.S. if the sys is output strictly passive?
- We need additional observability condition.

Def?:  $f(t)$  is zero-state observable if when  $u=0$

$$y(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \iff x(t) = 0 \quad \forall t$$

Lemma 6.7 (b)

output strictly passive  $\Rightarrow$  A.S.  
+ zero-state observable

Proof?

$$\dot{V} \leq -y^T \varphi(y) \text{ where } y^T \varphi(y) > 0 \quad \text{if } y \neq 0$$

- We use LaSalle's invariance principle  
to show A.S.

- $X(t) \rightarrow$  largest invariant set in  $E = \{x \mid \dot{V}(x) \leq 0\}$

$$\dot{V}(X(t)) = 0 \Rightarrow Y(t)^T \dot{Y}(Y(t)) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow Y(t) = 0 \\ \text{Zero-state obs.} \quad &\Rightarrow X(t) = 0 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

- We also need to show  $V$  is p.d., which follows from the same argument as before for strict passivity.

Example:

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -\alpha x_1^3 - Kx_2 + u$$

$$y = x_2$$

- $\alpha, K > 0$

- Take  $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}x_2^2 + \frac{1}{4}\alpha x_1^4$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{V} = -Kx_1^2 + ux_2 = -Ky^2 + uy$$

$\Rightarrow$  output strictly passive.

- To check zero-state obs.

$$Y(t) = 0 \Rightarrow X_2(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a X_1^3(t) = 0$$

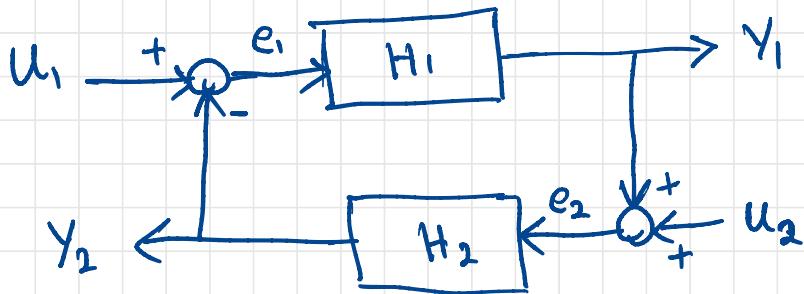
$$\Rightarrow X_1(t) = 0$$

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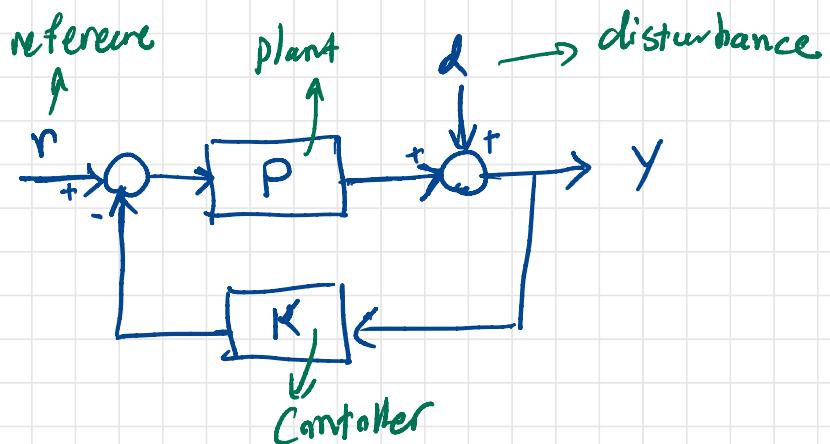
- Therefore, it is AS.
- Actually, it is GAS because  $V$  is radially unbounded.

## Passivity theorems:

- Analyze stability of Feedback sys using passivity of each sub-system



- Example



- $P$  is complicated, but passive
- Design  $K$  based on some approximation of  $P$

Passivity thm: if  $K$  is passive, then the FB system is passive

## Thm 6.1 :

- The feedback connection of two passive systems, is passive.

## Proof :

- $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are passive. Therefore  $\exists V_1, V_2$   
s.t.

$$\dot{V}_1 \leq e_1^T Y_1$$

$$\dot{V}_2 \leq e_2^T Y_2$$

- Take  $V = V_1 + V_2$ . Then,

$$\stackrel{?}{V} = \dot{V}_1 + \dot{V}_2 \leq e_1^T Y_1 + e_2^T Y_2$$

$$= (u_1 - y_2)^T Y_1 + (u_2 + y_1)^T Y_2$$

$$= u_1^T Y_1 + u_2^T Y_2$$

$$= \underbrace{[u_1, u_2]}_{u} \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{passive}$$

## Stability of FB sys.:

- If  $A_1$  and  $H_2$  one passive  $\Rightarrow$  FB is passive  
Lem. 6.6  
 $\Rightarrow$  stable when  $u=0$
- To have A.S. we need the two subsys.  
to be either strictly passive or  
output strictly passive and zero-state obs.

## Thm 6.3 :

For FB sys. with  $u \neq 0$ ,  $x=0$  is A.S if

- a) both sys are strictly passive  
or
- b) both sys are output S.P. and zero-state obs.  
or
- c) one sys is strictly passive and the other one  
is output S.P. and zero state obs

proof for (S):

$$\dot{V}_1 \leq e_1^T Y_1 - W_1(x)$$

$$\dot{V}_2 \leq e_2^T Y_2 - Y_2^T \varphi(Y_2)$$

- Take  $V = V_1 + V_2$

$$\dot{V} \leq e_1^T Y_1 + e_2^T Y_2 - W_1(x) - Y_2^T \varphi(Y_2)$$

$$= u^T Y - W_1(x) - Y_2^T \varphi(Y_2)$$

$$= -W_1(x) - Y_2^T \varphi(Y_2)$$

-  $\overset{\circ}{V} \geq 0 \iff \begin{cases} x_1 = 0 \\ y_2 \geq 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_2 = 0 \end{cases}$  A.S.

## $L_2$ -Stability of FB sys

- We showed stability of  $x=0$  when  $u=0$
- What if  $u$  are disturbances and we want to show  $y$  is small if disturbances are small.  $\leadsto L$ -stability

Thm 6.2:

- Assume  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  satisfy

$$\dot{V}_1 \leq e_1^T Y_1 - \varepsilon_1 \|e_1\|^2 - \delta_1 \|Y_1\|^2$$

$$\dot{V}_2 \leq e_2^T Y_2 - \varepsilon_2 \|e_2\|^2 - \delta_2 \|Y_2\|^2$$

for some storage functions  $V_1, V_2$

- Then, the FB sys is  $L_2$ -stable with finite gain if  $\varepsilon_1 + \delta_2 > 0, \varepsilon_2 + \delta_1 > 0$

Note: The constants  $\varepsilon_i, \delta_i$  can be negative

special case:  $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 = 0, \delta_1, \delta_2 > 0 \Rightarrow H_1, H_2$  one output s.p.

proof of the special cases (Lemma 6.8)

Take  $V = V_1 + V_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &\leq u^T y - \delta \|y_1\|^2 - \delta_2 \|y_2\|^2 \\ &\leq u^T y - \delta \|y\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2) > 0$

- using  $u^T y \leq \frac{1}{2\alpha} \|u\|^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|y\|^2$

$$\dot{V} \leq \frac{1}{2\alpha} \|u\|^2 - \left(\delta - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \|y\|^2$$

- Integrating with time

$$\left(\delta - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \int_0^\infty \|y\|^2 dt \leq \frac{1}{2\alpha} \int_0^\infty \|u\|^2 dt + V(x_0)$$

- Take  $\alpha = \delta$ , then

$$\|y\|_{L_2}^2 \leq \frac{1}{\delta^2} \|u\|^2 + \frac{2}{\delta} V(x_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|y\|_{L_2} \leq \frac{1}{\delta} \|u\| + \sqrt{\frac{2}{\delta} V(x_0)} \xrightarrow[\text{L}_2-\text{stable}]{\text{finite gain}}$$