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DESIGN OF LINEAR MULTIVARIABLE CONTROL SYSTEMS

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Answer FOUR questions.

All questions carry equal marks

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1. (a) Let

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s+2 \\ s+3 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

(i) Find the McMillan form of $G(s)$. [4]

(ii) Determine the pole and zero polynomials of $G(s)$. [2]

(iii) Find the poles and zeros of $G(s)$, specifying the multiplicity of each. [2]

(b) Consider a state-variable model described by the dynamics

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t).\end{aligned}$$

(i) Suppose that there exists $P = P' > 0$ such that

$$AP + PA' + BB' < 0.$$

Prove that A is stable. [6]

(ii) Suppose that there exists $Q = Q' > 0$ such that

$$A'Q + QA + C'C < 0.$$

Prove that the pair (A, C) is observable. [6]

2. (a) Define internal stability for the feedback loop shown in Figure 2 below, and derive necessary and sufficient conditions for which this feedback loop is internally stable.

[4]

- (b) Suppose that the transfer matrix $G(s)$ in the feedback loop in Figure 2 is stable. Derive a parameterization of all internally stabilizing controllers for the feedback loop.

[4]

- (c) Suppose that

$$G(s) = \frac{s-1}{s+2}.$$

Let $C(s)$ denote the transfer matrix from the reference signal $r(s)$ to the output signal $y(s)$ in Figure 2.

- (i) Show that there does not exist an internally stabilizing controller $K(s)$ such that $C(s)$ is minimum-phase.

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- (ii) Design an internally stabilising controller $K(s)$ such that $C(s)$ is allpass (that is, $|C(j\omega)| = 1$ for all real ω).

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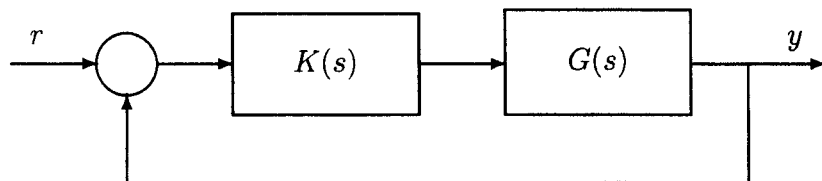


Figure 2

3. Figure 3 illustrates the implementation of the control law $u = -Kx$ which minimises

$$J(x_0, u) = \int_0^{\infty} \|Cx(t)\|^2 + \|u(t)\|^2 dt$$

subject to the nominal dynamics $\dot{x} = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$, $x(0) = x_0$. Here $K = B'P$ and $P = P'$ is the unique positive definite solution of $A'P + PA - PBB'P + C'C = 0$. Assume that the triple (A, B, C) is minimal. Let $G(s) = (sI - A)^{-1}B$.

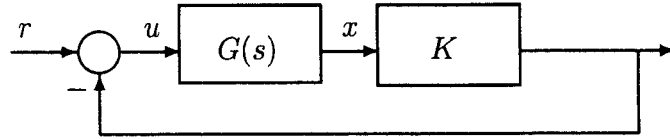


Figure 3

(a) Let $L(s) = I + KG(s)$. Show that

$$L(j\omega)'L(j\omega) = I + G(j\omega)'C'C G(j\omega).$$

[6]

(b) Suppose that the nominal model $G(s)$ is stable and that in the actual implementation of the loop, we use $K_a(s) = K + \Delta_1(s)$ where $\Delta_1(s)$ is a stable perturbation. Derive the maximal stability radius (using the \mathcal{L}_∞ -norm as a measure) for the feedback loop when K is replaced by $K_a(s)$. The stability radius should be given in terms of $\|G\|_\infty$. [7]

(c) Suppose that the nominal model $G(s)$ is stable and that the actual system is given by $G_a(s) = G(s)(I + \Delta_2(s))$ where $\Delta_2(s)$ is a stable perturbation. Derive the maximal stability radius (using the \mathcal{L}_∞ -norm as a measure) for the feedback loop when $G(s)$ is replaced by $G_a(s)$. [7]

4. (a) State the small gain theorem concerning the internal stability of a feedback loop having a forward transfer matrix Δ and a feedback transfer matrix S . [4]
- (b) Consider the feedback loop shown in Figure 4.1 where $G(s)$ represents a plant model and $K(s)$ represents an internally stabilizing compensator. Suppose that

$$K(s) \stackrel{s}{=} \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline C & D \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1.25 & 0.4 & 0.6 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0.4 & -10 & 1 & -1 \\ \hline 1 & 0.6 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0.8 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \in \mathcal{RH}_\infty.$$

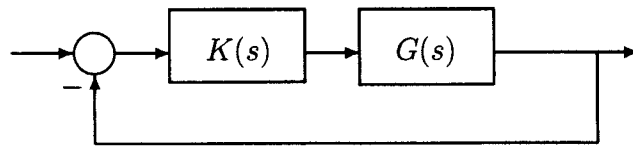


Figure 4.1

- (i) Show that the given realization for $K(s)$ is balanced and evaluate the Hankel singular values of $K(s)$. [6]
- (ii) The graph in Figure 4.2 shows the singular value plot of $(I + GK)^{-1}G$. Obtain the lowest order balanced truncation of $K(s)$ such that the loop in Figure 4.1 remains stable when $K(s)$ is replaced by its balanced truncation. [10]

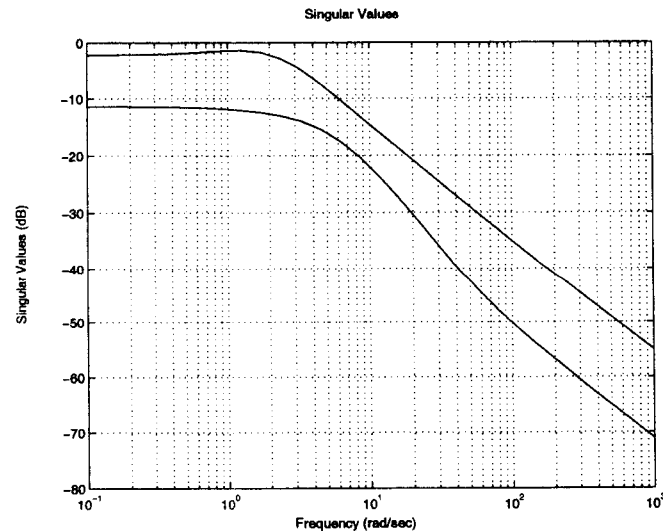


Figure 4.2

5. Consider the feedback configuration shown in Figure 5. Here, $G(s)$ represents a nominal plant model and $K(s)$ represents a compensator. The actual plant is given by $G_a(s) = (I + \Delta_2(s))(G(s) + \Delta_1(s))$ where $\Delta_1(s)$ and $\Delta_2(s)$ are stable transfer matrices that represent uncertainties. The design specification are to synthesize a compensator $K(s)$ such that the feedback loop is internally stable when:

(i) $\Delta_1 = 0$ and $\|\Delta_2(j\omega)\| \leq |w_2(j\omega)|, \forall \omega$, and,

(ii) $\Delta_2 = 0$ and $\|\Delta_1(j\omega)\| \leq |w_1(j\omega)|, \forall \omega$,

where

$$w_1(s) = 2 \frac{(s+1)^2}{(s+5)^2}, \quad w_2(s) = 10 \frac{(s+10)^2}{(s+50)^2}.$$

- (a) Derive conditions, in terms of $G(s)$, $K(s)$, $w_1(s)$ and $w_2(s)$ that are sufficient to achieve the design specifications. [7]

- (b) Derive a generalized regulator formulation of the design problem that captures the sufficient conditions in part (a). [7]

- (c) Assume that a compensator $K(s)$ achieves the design specifications. Comment on the performance properties (tracking, disturbance rejection, noise attenuation and control effort) for the resulting feedback loop. [6]

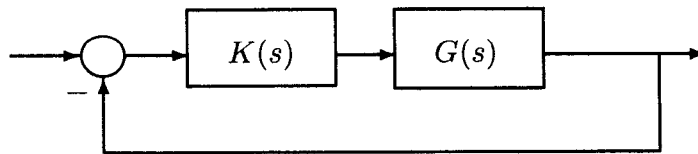


Figure 5

6. Consider the regulator shown in Figure 6 for which it is assumed that the triple (A, B, C) is minimal and $x(0) = 0$.

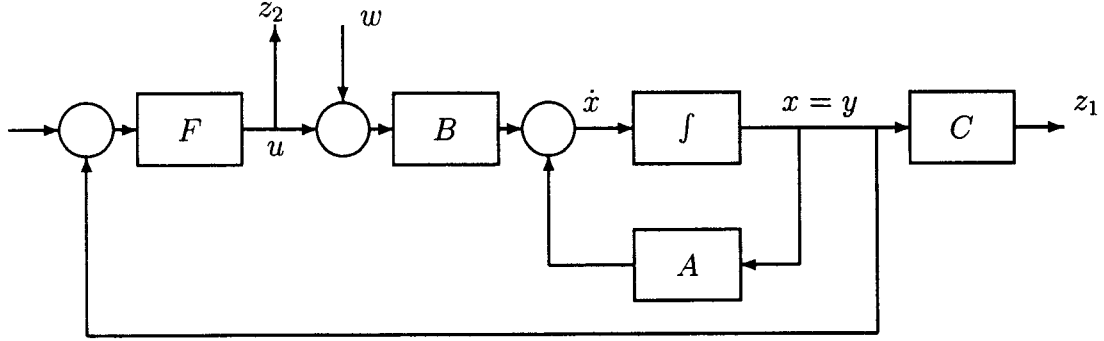


Figure 6

Let $z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$ and let H denote the transfer matrix from w to z . A stabilizing state-feedback gain matrix F is to be designed such that, for given $\gamma > 0$, $\|H\|_\infty < \gamma$.

- (a) Write down the generalized regulator system for this design problem. [6]
- (b) By using the Lyapunov function $V(t) = x(t)^T X x(t)$, where X is to be determined, derive sufficient conditions for the solution of the design problem. Your conditions should be in the form of the existence of a certain solution to an algebraic Riccati inequality. It should also include an expression for F and an expression for the worst-case disturbance w .

Use the identity

$$(\alpha R - \alpha^{-1} S)^T (\alpha R - \alpha^{-1} S) = \alpha^2 R^T R + \alpha^{-2} S^T S - R^T S - S^T R,$$

for scalar $\alpha \neq 0$ and matrices R and S to complete the squares. [9]

- (c) Suggest an algorithm for solving the algebraic Riccati inequality derived in part (b) using linear matrix inequality techniques. Ignore any issues associated with stability. [5]

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1. (a) (i) By performing the following elementary operations:

$$(A) \quad r_2 \leftrightarrow r_2 - (s+3)r_1$$

$$(B) \quad c_2 \leftrightarrow c_2 - (s+2)c_1$$

$$(C) \quad c_2 \leftrightarrow -c_2$$

the McMillan form of $G(s)$ is given by

$$G(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s+3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s} \mathbf{I} & 0 \\ 0 & s+6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s+2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = L(s)M(s)R(s)$$

where $L(s)$ and $R(s)$ are unimodular.

- (ii) The pole and zero polynomials are given by

$$p(s) = s - 1, \quad z(s) = s + 6$$

respectively.

- (iii) It follows that the system has a simple pole at 1 and a simple zeros at -6.

- (b) (i) Let $z' \neq 0$ be a left eigenvector of A and let λ be the corresponding eigenvalue. Then multiplying the controllability Lyapunov inequality from the left by z' and from the right by z gives $(\lambda + \bar{\lambda})z'Pz + z'BB'z < 0$. Since $P > 0$ it follows that $z'Pz > 0$ and since $z'BB'z \geq 0$ it follows that $\lambda + \bar{\lambda} < 0$ so that A is stable.
- (ii) Let $z' \neq 0$ be a left eigenvector of A and let λ be the corresponding eigenvalue. Then multiplying the observability Lyapunov inequality from the left by z' and from the right by z gives $(\lambda + \bar{\lambda})z'Qz + z'C'Cz < 0$. Since $Q > 0$, a dual proof to that given above shows that A is stable, so that $\lambda + \bar{\lambda} < 0$. Since $Q > 0$ and $z \neq 0$, $z'Qz > 0$. Thus $z'C'Cz > 0$ and so $Cz \neq 0$. It follows that the pair (A, C) is controllable by the PBH test.

2. (a) Inject a signal d in between $G(s)$ and $K(s)$ and call the input to $G(s)$, u and the input to $K(s)$, e . The loop is internally stable if and only if the transfer matrix from $\begin{bmatrix} d \\ r \end{bmatrix}$ to $\begin{bmatrix} u \\ e \end{bmatrix}$ is stable (no poles in the closed right half plane). Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} d \\ r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & -K \\ -G & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ e \end{bmatrix} =: T(s) \begin{bmatrix} u \\ e \end{bmatrix}$$

the loop is internally stable if and only if $T^{-1}(s)$ is stable.

- (b) Since $G(s)$ is stable, we proceed as follows. Note that

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & -K \\ -G & I \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -G & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & -K \\ 0 & I - GK \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & -K \\ -G & I \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} I & -K \\ 0 & I - GK \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -G & I \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} I & K(I - GK)^{-1} \\ 0 & (I - GK)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ G & I \end{bmatrix}.$$

Finally, since $(I - GK)^{-1} = I + GK(I - GK)^{-1}$, it follows that if G is stable, then the loop is internally stable if and only if $Q := K(I - GK)^{-1}$ is stable. Rearranging terms shows that K is internally stabilizing if and only if

$$K = Q(I + GQ)^{-1} \text{ for some stable } Q.$$

- (c) Since in both cases $K(s)$ is required to be internally stabilizing,

$$K = Q(I + GQ)^{-1}$$

for some stable Q . A simple calculation now shows that

$$C(s) = GK(I - GK)^{-1} = GQ.$$

- (i) Since Q is required to be stable, it follows that:

the nonminimum-phase zero of G cannot be cancelled.

- (ii) Since $C(s)$ is required to be allpass, we set

$$Q(s) = \frac{s+2}{s+1}.$$

3. (a) By direct evaluation, $L(j\omega)'L(j\omega) =$

$$I + K(j\omega I - A)^{-1}B + B'(-j\omega I - A')^{-1}K' + B'(-j\omega I - A')^{-1}K'K(j\omega I - A)^{-1}B$$

But

$$K'K = A'P + PA + C'C = -(-j\omega I - A')P - P(j\omega I - A) + C'C$$

from the Riccati equation. So, $L(j\omega)'L(j\omega)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= I + K(j\omega I - A)^{-1}B + B'(-j\omega I - A')^{-1}K' \\ &\quad + B'(-j\omega I - A')^{-1}[-(-j\omega I - A')P - P(j\omega I - A) + C'C](j\omega I - A)^{-1}B \\ &= I + [K - B'P](j\omega I - A)^{-1}B + B'(-j\omega I - A')^{-1}[K' - PB] \\ &\quad + B'(-j\omega I - A')^{-1}C'C(j\omega I - A)^{-1}B \\ &= I + G(j\omega)'C'CG(j\omega) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let ϵ be the input to Δ_1 and δ be the output of Δ_1 . Then

$$\epsilon = -G(\delta + K\epsilon) = -(I + GK)^{-1}G\delta = -G(I + KG)^{-1}\delta.$$

Using the small gain theorem (since $G(s)$ and the regulator are stable and the perturbation is assumed stable), the loop is stable if $\|\Delta_1 G(I + KG)^{-1}\|_\infty < 1$. But part (a) implies that $\underline{\sigma}[I + KG(j\omega)] \geq 1$ which implies $\|(I + KG)^{-1}\|_\infty \leq 1$. This shows that the loop will tolerate perturbations of size $\|\Delta_1\|_\infty < \|G\|_\infty^{-1}$ without losing internal stability since

$$\|\Delta_1 G(I + KG)^{-1}\|_\infty < 1$$

(c) Let ϵ be the input to Δ_2 and δ be the output of Δ_2 . Then

$$\epsilon = -KG(\delta + \epsilon) = -(I + KG)^{-1}KG\delta = L^{-1}(I - L)\delta = (L^{-1} - I)\delta$$

Using the small gain theorem (since the regulator is stable and the perturbation is assumed stable), the loop is stable if $\|\Delta_2(L^{-1} - I)\|_\infty < 1$. But part (a) implies that

$$\bar{\sigma}[L(j\omega)^{-1} - I] \leq 1 + \bar{\sigma}[L(j\omega)^{-1}] \leq 1 + \frac{1}{\underline{\sigma}[L(j\omega)]} \leq 2$$

This shows that the loop will tolerate perturbations Δ_2 of size $\|\Delta_2\|_\infty < 0.5$ without losing internal stability.

4. (a) Suppose that both $\Delta(s)$ and $S(s)$ are stable. Then the feedback loop with forward transfer matrix $\Delta(s)$ and feedback transfer matrix $S(s)$ is stable if

$$\|\Delta(s)S(s)\|_\infty < 1.$$

- (b) (i) The realisation is balanced if

$$A\Sigma + \Sigma A' + BB' = A'\Sigma + \Sigma A + C'C = 0$$

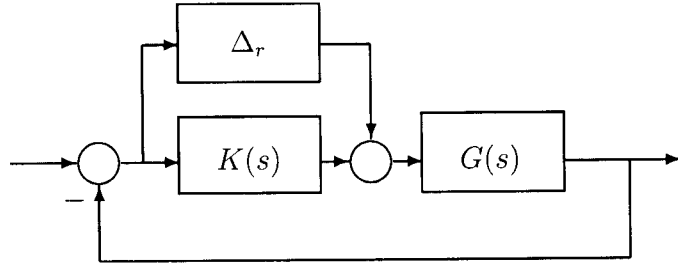
for $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3) > 0$ and where the σ_i 's are the Hankel singular values of $K(s)$. A simple calculation gives

$$\Sigma = \text{diag}(1, 0.4, 0.1).$$

- (ii) Let $K_r(s)$ denote an r th order balanced truncation of $K(s)$. Then $K_r(s) = K(s) + \Delta_r(s)$ where

$$\|\Delta_r\|_\infty \leq 2 \sum_{i=r+1}^3 \sigma_i. \quad (1)$$

Then replacing $K(s)$ by $K_r(s)$ in the loop is equivalent to:



Let ϵ be the input to Δ_r and δ be the output of Δ_r . Then

$$\epsilon = -(I + GK)^{-1}G\delta$$

and so the loop is stable if $\|\Delta_r\|_\infty \|(I + GK)^{-1}G\|_\infty < 1$. However,

$$\|(I + GK)^{-1}G\|_\infty < 1$$

from the graph. It follows from Equation (1) above that $r = 1$ will guarantee that $\|\Delta_r\|_\infty \leq 2(0.4 + 0.1) = 1$ and the loop will be stable. So

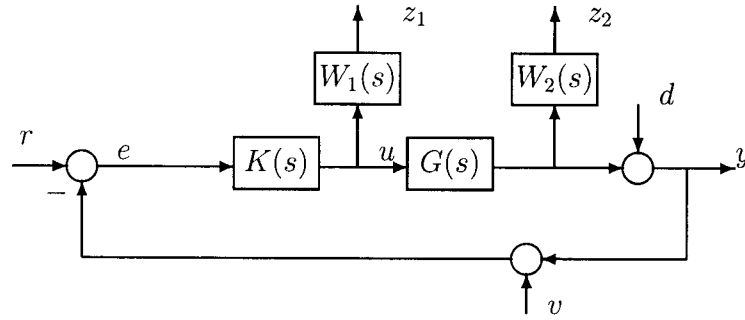
$$K_r(s) \stackrel{s}{=} \left[\begin{array}{c|cc} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

is a first order internally stabilising controller for $G(s)$.

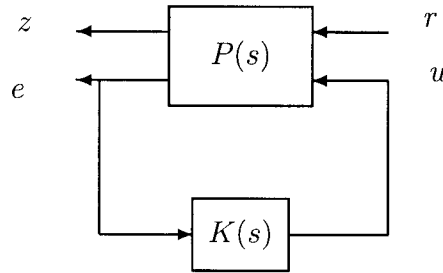
5. (a) It is clear that we require K to internally stabilize the nominal model. Suppose that $\Delta_1 = 0$ and let the input to Δ_2 be ϵ while the output from Δ_2 be δ . Then a calculation shows that $\epsilon = -C\delta$ where $C = (I + GK)^{-1}GK$ is the complementary sensitivity which is stable. Using the small gain theorem, to satisfy the first design requirement, it is sufficient that $\|\Delta_2(j\omega)C(j\omega)\| < 1, \forall \omega$. This can be satisfied if $\|W_2C\|_\infty < 1$, where $W_2 = w_2I$. An analogous procedure shows that to satisfy the second design requirement, it is sufficient that $\|\Delta_1(j\omega)K(j\omega)S(j\omega)\| < 1, \forall \omega$ where $S = (I + GK)^{-1}$ is the sensitivity. This can be satisfied if $\|W_1KS\|_\infty < 1$, where $W_1 = w_1I$. To satisfy both design

requirements, it is sufficient that $\left\| \begin{bmatrix} W_1KS \\ W_2C \end{bmatrix} \right\|_\infty < 1$.

- (b) The design specifications reduce to the requirement that the transfer matrix from r to $z = [z_1^T \ z_2^T]^T$ in the following diagram has \mathcal{H}_∞ -norm less than 1.



The corresponding generalized regulator formulation is to find an internally stabilizing K such that $\|\mathcal{F}_l(P, K)\| < 1$:



$$P = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} 0 & W_1G \\ 0 & W_2G \\ \hline I & -G \end{array} \right].$$

- (c) Now, $\|K(j\omega)S(j\omega)\| < |w_1^{-1}(j\omega)|$ and $\|C(j\omega)\| < |w_2^{-1}(j\omega)|, \forall \omega$. Since w_1^{-1} and w_2^{-1} are low pass, we expect a limited bandwidth of u (since $u(j\omega) = -K(j\omega)S(j\omega)$), which implies low control effort (up to 1 radians/second) and good noise attenuation beyond 10 radians/second (since $\|y(j\omega)\| \leq \|C(j\omega)\|\|v(j\omega)\|$ with $r=0, d=0$). Nothing can be said about the tracking and disturbance rejection properties of the loop which may therefore be unacceptable.

6. (a) The generalized regulator formulation is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} z(s) \\ y(s) \end{bmatrix} = P(s) \begin{bmatrix} w(s) \\ u(s) \end{bmatrix}, \quad u(s) = Fy(s), \quad P(s) = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11}(s) & P_{12}(s) \\ P_{21}(s) & P_{22}(s) \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{s}{=} \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} A & B & B \\ \hline C & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & I \\ \hline I & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

(b) The requirement $\|H\|_\infty < \gamma$ is equivalent to $J := \|z\|_2^2 - \gamma^2 \|w\|_2^2 < 0$, with $\|v\|_2^2 := \int_0^\infty \|v(t)\|^2 dt$. Let $V = x^T X x$ and set $u = Fx$. Provided that $X = X^T > 0$ and $\dot{V} < 0$ along closed loop trajectory, we can assume $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$. Then

$$\dot{V} = \dot{x}^T X x + x^T X \dot{x} = x^T (A^T X + X A + F^T B^T X + X B F) x + x^T X B w + w^T B^T X x.$$

Integrating from 0 to ∞ and using $x(0) = x(\infty) = 0$,

$$0 = \int_0^\infty [x^T (A^T X + X A + F^T B^T X + X B F) x + x^T X B w + w^T B^T X x] dt.$$

Using the definition of J and adding the last equation, $J =$

$$\int_0^\infty \{x^T [A^T X + X A + C^T C + F^T F + F^T B^T X + X B F] x - [\gamma^2 w^T w - x^T X B w - w^T B^T X x]\} dt.$$

Completing the squares by using

$$\begin{aligned} (F + B^T X)^T (F + B^T X) &= F^T F + F^T B^T X + X B F + X B B^T X \\ \|(\gamma w - \gamma^{-1} B^T X x)\|^2 &= \gamma^2 w^T w - w^T B^T X x - x^T X B w + \gamma^{-2} x^T X B B^T X x, \end{aligned}$$

$$J = \int_0^\infty \{x^T [A^T X + X A + C^T C - (1 - \gamma^{-2}) X B B^T X] x + \|(F + B^T X)x\|^2 - \|\gamma w - \gamma^{-1} B^T X x\|^2\} dt.$$

Thus two sufficient conditions for $J < 0$ are the existence of X such that

$$\boxed{A^T X + X A + C^T C - (1 - \gamma^{-2}) X B B^T X < 0}, \quad \boxed{X = X^T > 0}.$$

The state feedback gain is $\boxed{F = -B^T X}$ and the worst case disturbance is $w^* = \gamma^{-2} B^T X x$. The closed-loop with these feedback laws is $\dot{x} = \boxed{A - (1 - \gamma^{-2}) B B^T X} x$ and a third condition is therefore $\boxed{\text{Re } \lambda_i [A - (1 - \gamma^{-2}) B B^T X] < 0, \forall i}$.

It remains to prove $\dot{V} < 0$ along state-trajectory with $u = Fx$ and $w = 0$. But

$$\boxed{\dot{V} = x^T (A^T X + X A + F^T B^T X + X B F) x < -x^T (C^T C + (1 + \gamma^{-2}) X B B^T X) x < 0}$$

for all $x \neq 0$ (since (A, B, C) is assumed minimal) proving closed-loop stability.

(c) Multiply the Riccati inequality from the left and right by X^{-1} to get $AX^{-1} + X^{-1}A^T - BB^T + X^{-1}C^T C X^{-1} + \gamma^{-2} BB^T < 0$. Using a Schur complement argu-

ment this can be linearized as $\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} AX^{-1} + X^{-1}A^T + (\gamma^{-2} - 1)BB^T & X^{-1}C^T \\ CX^{-1} & -I \end{bmatrix} < 0}.$