

Multiple Input Multiple Output
systems
MIMO systems

Outline

Effects of interaction between control loops

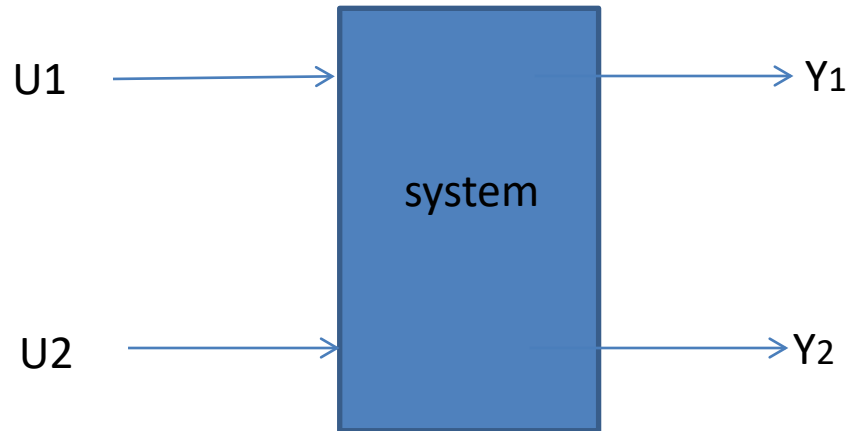
How do we find the best SISO loops
(Bristol's relative gain array)

How do we eliminate the effects of cross couplings in TITO systems - decoupling

Two input – two output systems

TITO system

Example 1:
Heat exchanger
Input: flow and
temperature
Output:
Flow and temperature



Example 2:
Vehicle 2 independent wheels
Input: motor torque 1, motor torque 2
Output: velocity and direction

Example 3:
tank
Input: cold water flow, hot water flow
Output: level and temperature

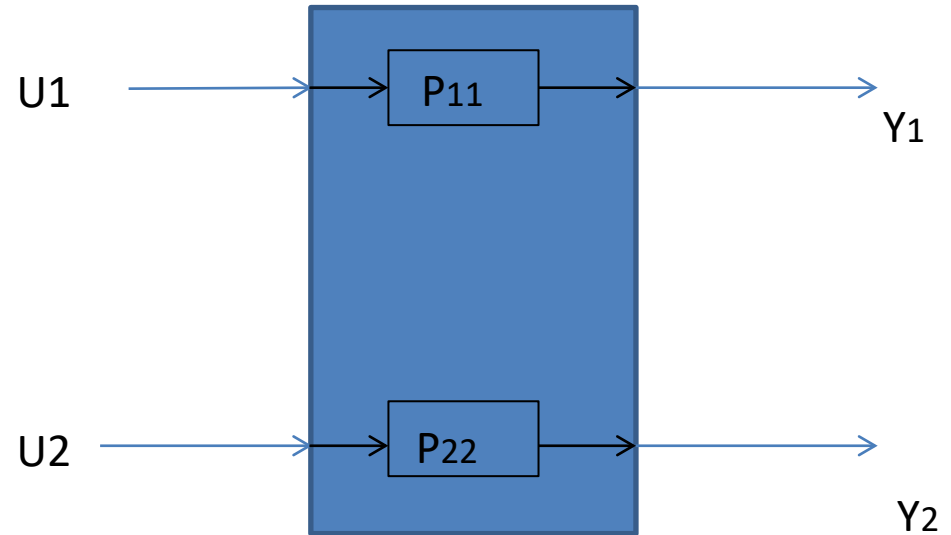
Example 4:
Crane
Input: motor torque 1, motor torque 2
Output: load position x and y direction

TITO system with independent input/output pair

System :

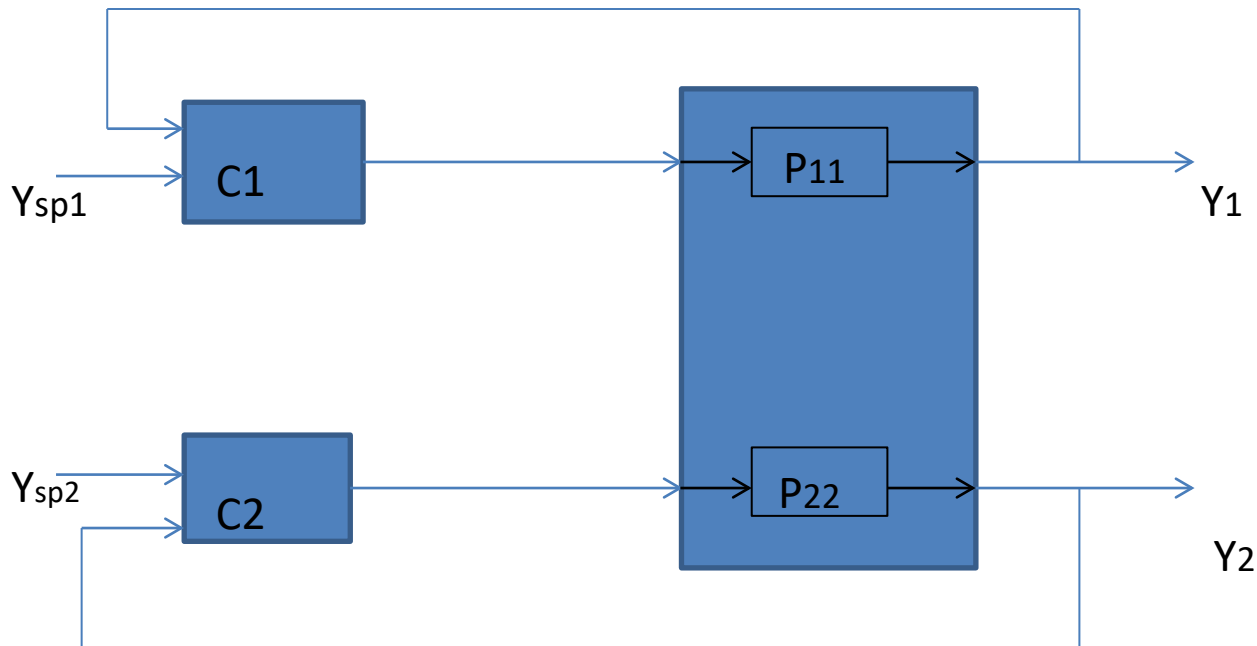
$$Y1(s)=p11(s)U1(s)$$

$$Y2(s)=p22(s)U2(s)$$



We can design two independent
SISO control systems

TITO system with independent input/output pair



System :

$$Y_1(s) = P_{11}(s)U_1(s), \quad \frac{Y_1(s)}{Y_{sp1}(s)} = \frac{C_1(s)P_{11}(s)}{1 + C_1(s)P_{11}(s)}$$

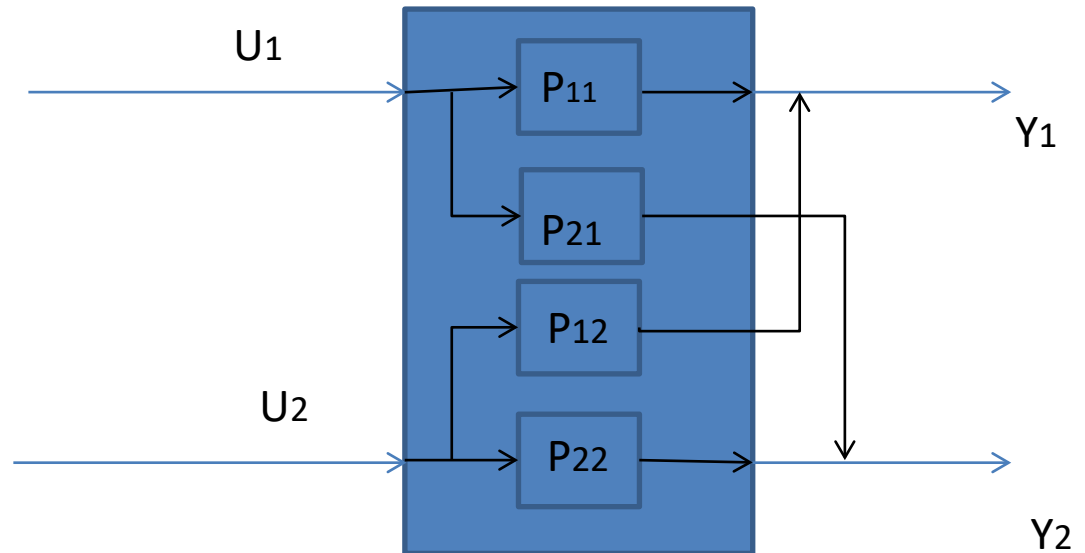
$$Y_2(s) = P_{22}(s)U_2(s), \quad \frac{Y_2(s)}{Y_{sp2}(s)} = \frac{C_2(s)P_{22}(s)}{1 + C_2(s)P_{22}(s)}$$

Interaction between inputs and outputs

Input: hot water,
cold water

Output:
temperature in
tank,
water in tank

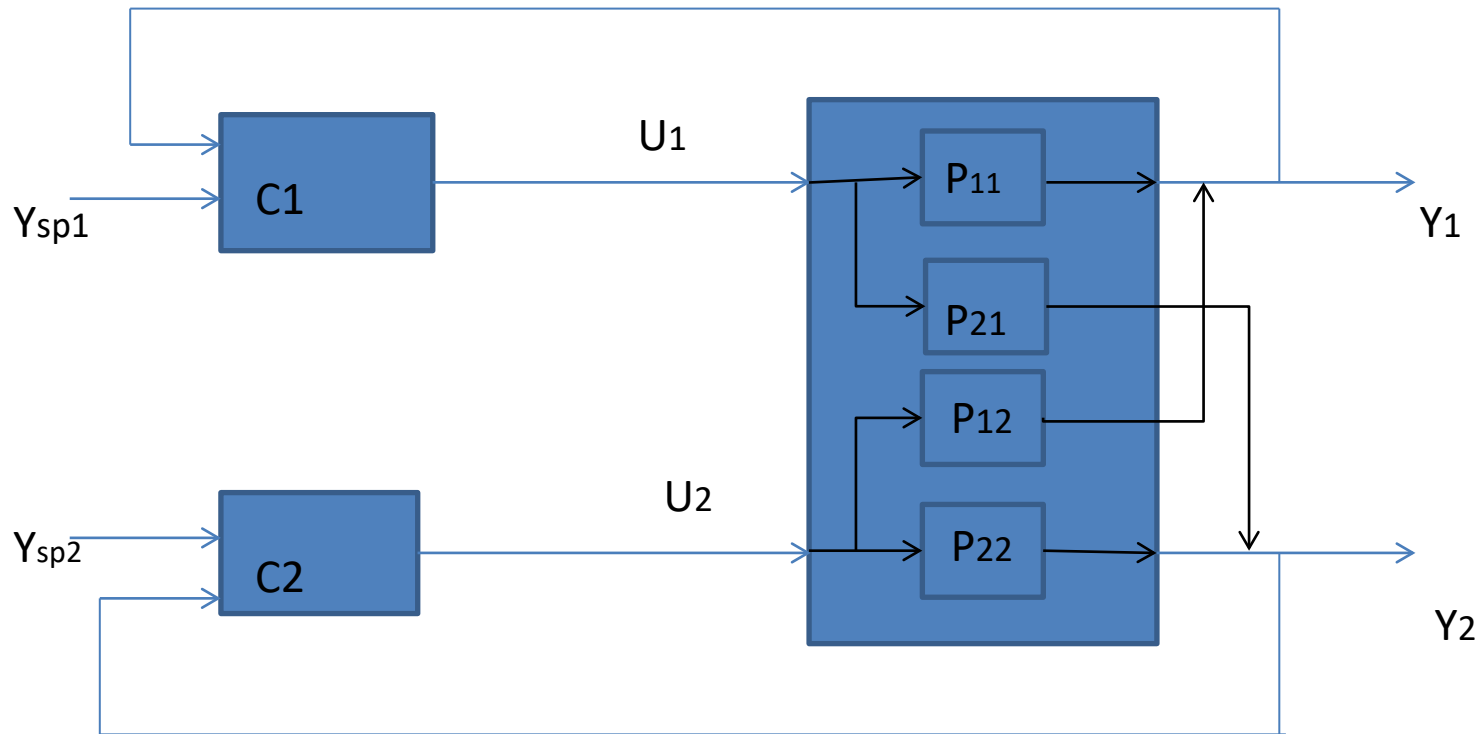
Both input affects
both output



$$Y_1(s) = p_{11}(s)U_1(s) + p_{12}(s)U_2(s)$$

$$Y_2(s) = p_{21}(s)U_1(s) + p_{22}(s)U_2(s)$$

Interaction in simple loops



Transfer function of a TITO system

$$Y_1(s) = P_{11}(s)U_1(s) + P_{12}(s)U_2(s)$$

$$Y_2(s) = P_{21}(s)U_1(s) + P_{22}(s)U_2(s)$$

$p_{ij}(s)$ is the transfer function from input j to output i

$$P(s) = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$P(s)$ = transfer function of the system

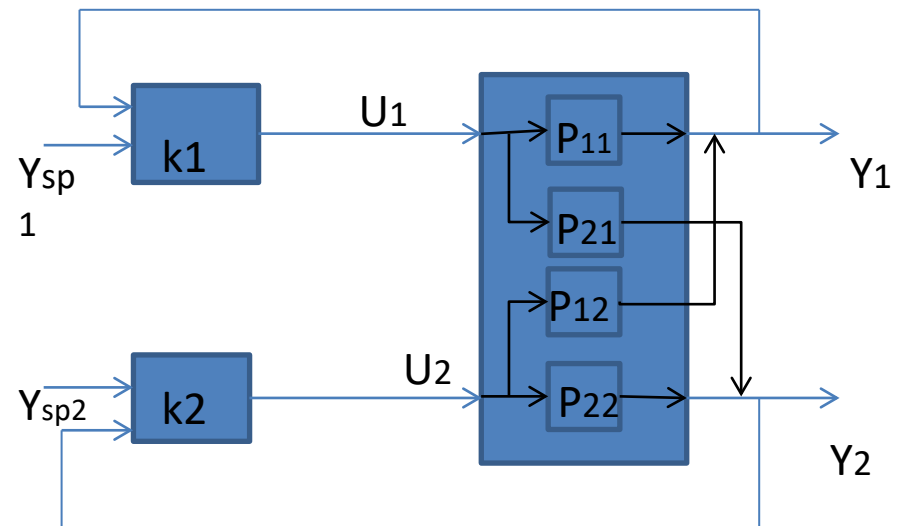
= the transfer matrix of the system

Effects of interaction

- $Y_1 = P_{11}U_1 + P_{12}U_2$ (1)
- $Y_2 = P_{21}U_1 + P_{22}U_2$ (2)
- Feedback loop 1: $U_1 = -k_1Y_1$
- Feedback loop 2: $U_2 = -k_2Y_2 \Rightarrow Y_2 = \frac{-U_2}{k_2}$
- This is introduced in eq. 2
- $U_2 = -\frac{P_{21}k_2}{P_{22}k_2+1}U_1$
- This is introduced in eq 1
- $\frac{Y_1}{U_1} = \frac{P_{11}P_{22}k_2+P_{11}-P_{12}P_{21}k_2}{P_{22}k_2+1}$

$\frac{Y_1}{U_1}$ depends on all sub systems

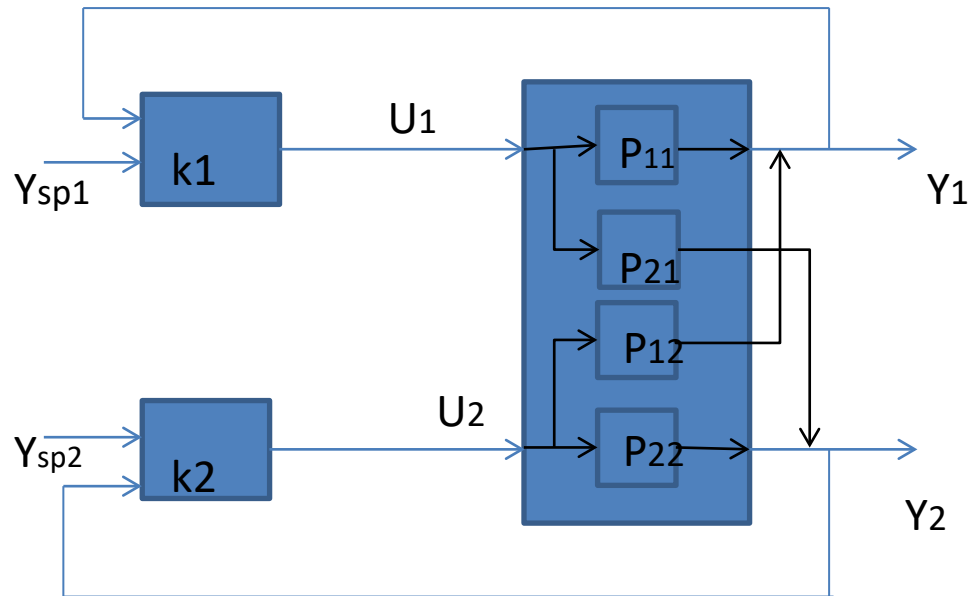
U's, Y's and P's are functions of s



Effects of interaction- example

- $Y_1(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^2}U_1(s) + \frac{2}{(s+1)^2}U_2(s)$ ①
- $Y_2(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^2}U_1(s) + \frac{1}{(s+1)^2}U_2(s)$ ②
- Feed back loop 1: $U_1(s) = -k_1 Y_1(s)$
- Feed back loop 2: $U_2(s) = -k_2 Y_2(s) \Rightarrow Y_2(s) = \frac{-U_2(s)}{k_2}$,

- This is introduced in eq. ②
- $U_2(s) = -\frac{k_2}{s^2+2s+k_2+1}U_1(s)$
- We will find $\frac{Y_1}{U_1}$



Effects of interaction

$$U_2(s) = -\frac{k_2}{s^2 + 2s + k_2 + 1} U_1(s)$$

- $U_2(s)$ is inserted in eq 1
- $Y_1(s) = \frac{s^2 + 2s + 1 - k_2}{(s+1)^2(s^2 + 2s + 1 + k_2)} U_1(s)$
- $Y_1(0) = \frac{1 - k_2}{1 + k_2}$
- The static gain in k_2 has effect on the dynamics relating to U_1 and Y_1 .
- *The gain decreases as k_2 increases, the gain is negative for $k_2 > 1$*

Will it be better to let
U1 control Y2
and U2 control Y1 ??

How do we find the best SISO loops
(Bristol's relative gain array)

Bristols Relative Gain Array

Investigate how the static process gain of one loop is influenced by the gains in other loops

- We investigate how the the static gain in the first loop is affected by the controller in the second loop.
- Assume: Second loop in perfect control, $Y_2(s) = Y_{2\ sp}(s)$
 $\Rightarrow Y_2(s) = 0$ for $Y_{2\ sp}(s) = 0$.

$$Y_1(s) = P_{11}(s)U_1(s) + P_{12}(s)U_2(s)$$

$$0 = P_{21}(s)U_1(s) + P_{22}(s)U_2(s)$$

Eliminating $U_2(s)$ gives

$$Y_1(s) = \frac{P_{11}(s)P_{22}(s) - P_{12}(s)P_{21}(s)}{P_{22}(s)} U_1(s)$$

Bristols interaction index Λ for TITO systems

- Λ = the ratio of the static gains of loop 1 when the second loop is open and when the second loop is closed
- $\Lambda = \frac{\text{static gains of loop 1 for open loop in loop 2}}{\text{static gain of loop 1 for closed loop in loop 2}}$
- $$\Lambda = \frac{P_{11}(0)}{\frac{P_{11}(0)P_{22}(0) - P_{12}(0)P_{21}(0)}{P_{22}(0)}} = \frac{P_{11}(0)P_{22}(0)}{P_{11}(0)P_{22}(0) - P_{12}(0)P_{21}(0)}$$
- Interaction for static or low frequency signals
- $P_{12}(0)P_{21}(0)=0 \Rightarrow \Lambda=1$ no interaction

RGA – Bristols relative gain array

- Compare the static gain for one output when all other loops are open with the gains when all other outputs are zero.
- $R = P(0) .* P^{-T}(0)$
- $P(0)$: the static gain for the system
- $P^{-T}(0)$: the transposed of the inverse of $P(0)$
- $.*$: component-wise multiplication
- r_{ij} : the ratio between the open loop and closed loop gain from input u_j to output y_i
- R : symmetric, all rows and columns sum to 1.

RGA for TITO system

- $R = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 - \lambda \\ 1 - \lambda & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$ λ is the interaction index
- $\lambda = 1$: no interaction, second loop has no impact on first loop
- $0 < \lambda < 1$: closed loop has higher gain than open loop
- $\lambda > 1$: closed loop has lower gain than open loop
- $\lambda < 0$: gain of first loop changes sign when second loop is closed.

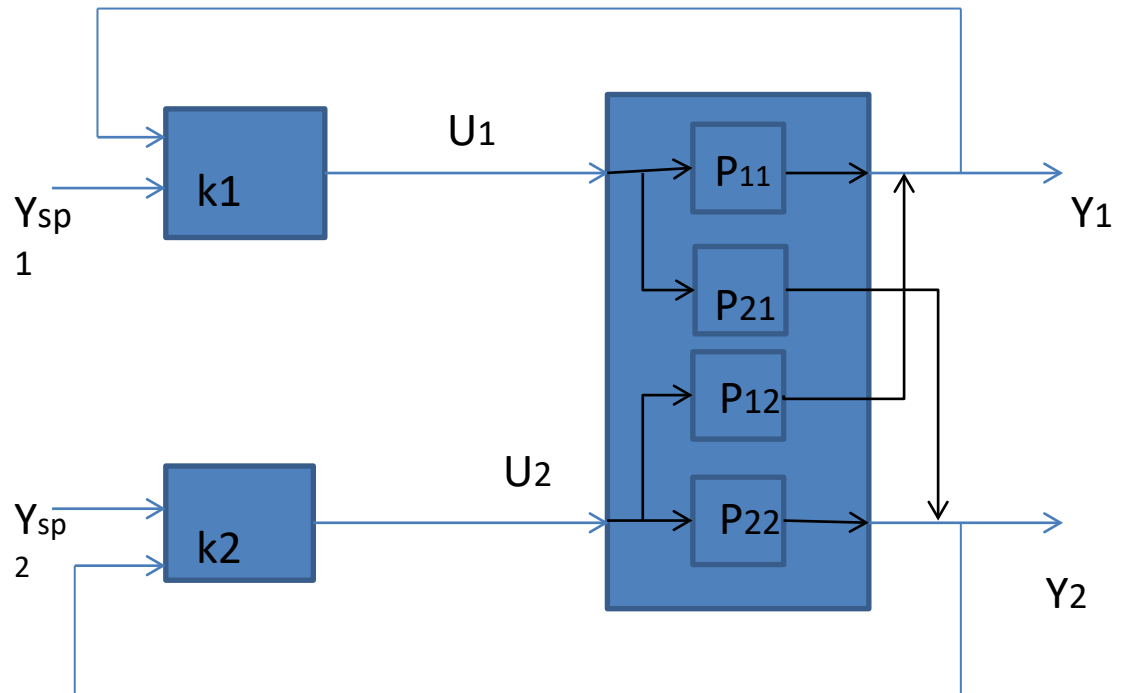
Pairing : Decide how inputs and outputs should be connected in control loops using RGA

- $\lambda = 1$ no interaction
- $\lambda = 0$ no interaction but loops should be interchanged
- $\lambda < 0.5$ loops should be interchanged
- $0 < \lambda < 1$ closed loop gains $<$ open loop gains
- Corresponding relative gains should be positive and close to 1
- Pairing of signals with negative relative gains should be avoided.
- If gains are outside the interval $0.67 < \lambda < 1.5$ decoupling can improve the control significantly.

Example

- $Y_1(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^2}U_1(s) + \frac{2}{(s+1)^2}U_2(s)$
 - $Y_2(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^2}U_1(s) + \frac{1}{(s+1)^2}U_2(s)$
- Is this input output relation the best ??

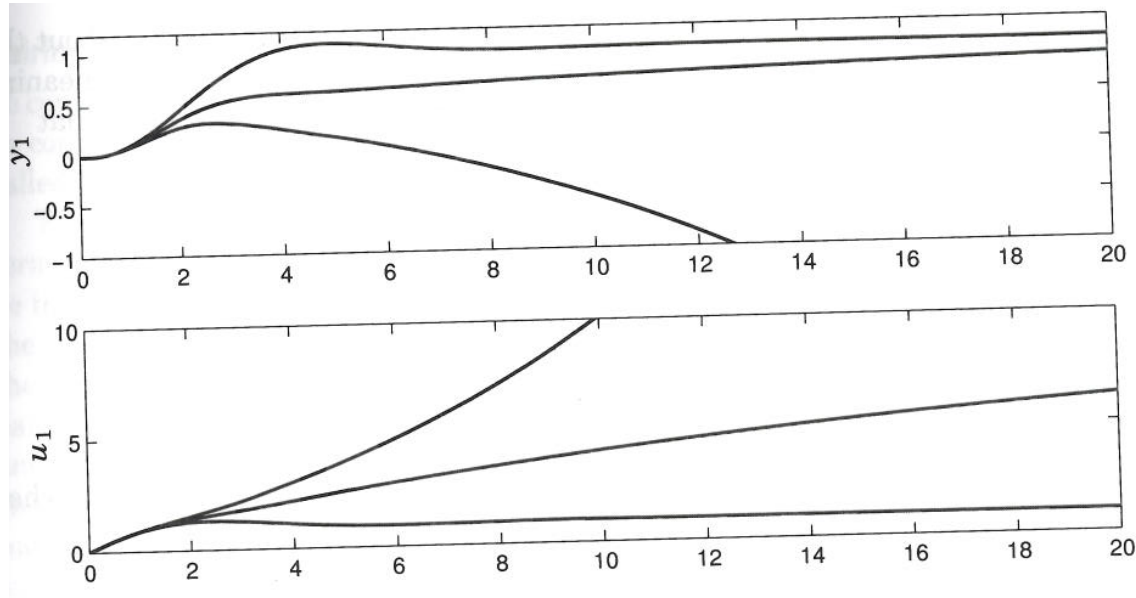
- $P_{11}(0) = 1$
- $P_{12}(0) = 2$
- $P_{21}(0) = 1$
- $P_{22}(0) = 1$



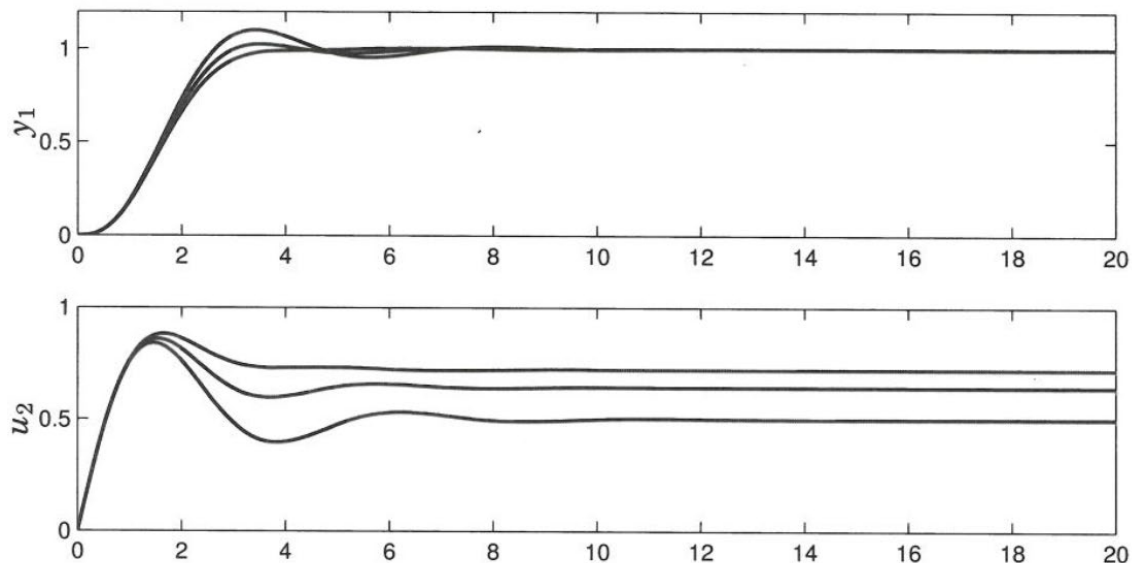
Example

- $P(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $P^{-1}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- $R = P(0) \cdot P^{-T}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\lambda = -1 \Rightarrow y_1$ should be paired with u_2 .
- For closed loop: $u_1 = -k_2 y_2 \Rightarrow$
- $Y_1(s) = g_{12}^{cl}(s) U_2(s) = \frac{2s^2 + 4s + 2 + k_2}{(s+1)^2(s^2 + 2s + 1 + k_2)} U_2(s)$
- Static : $g_{12}^{cl}(0) = \frac{2+k_2}{1+k_2}$
- g_{12} increase for decreasing k_2 , g_{12} is positive for $k_2 > 0$.
- The interaction is smaller

Impact of switching loops



Simulations of
responses to step
in set-points for
loop 1.
original loops



Simulations of
responses to step
in set-points for
loop 1.
switched loops

BREAK

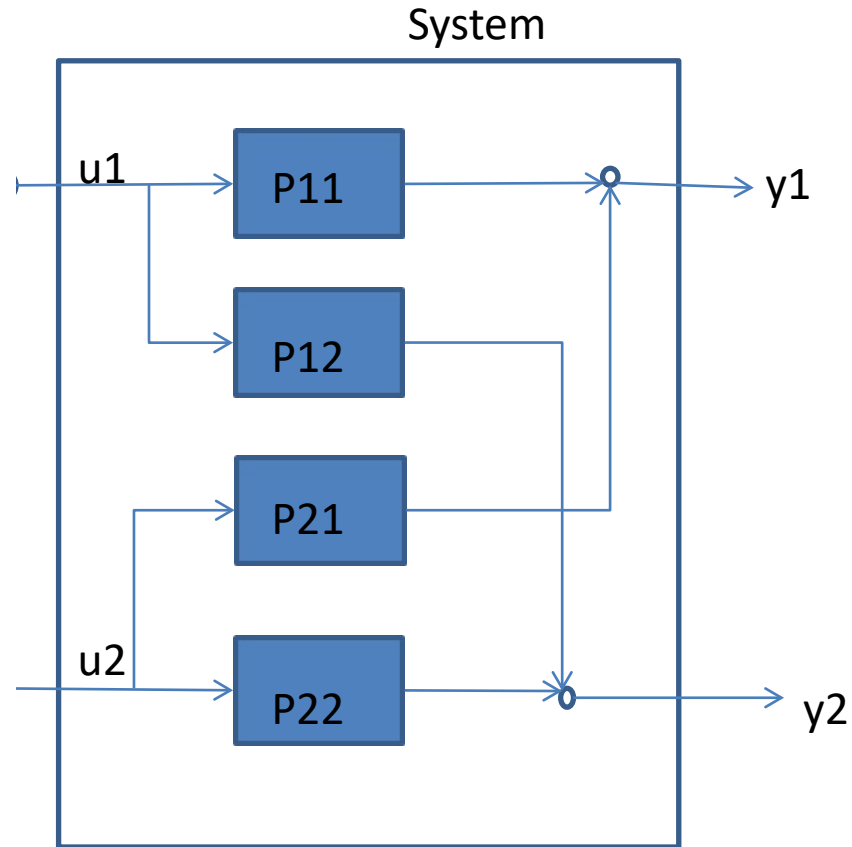
Decoupling – design of controllers that reduce the effects of interaction between loops

TITO system with interaction
from u_1 to y_1 and y_2
from u_2 to y_1 and y_2

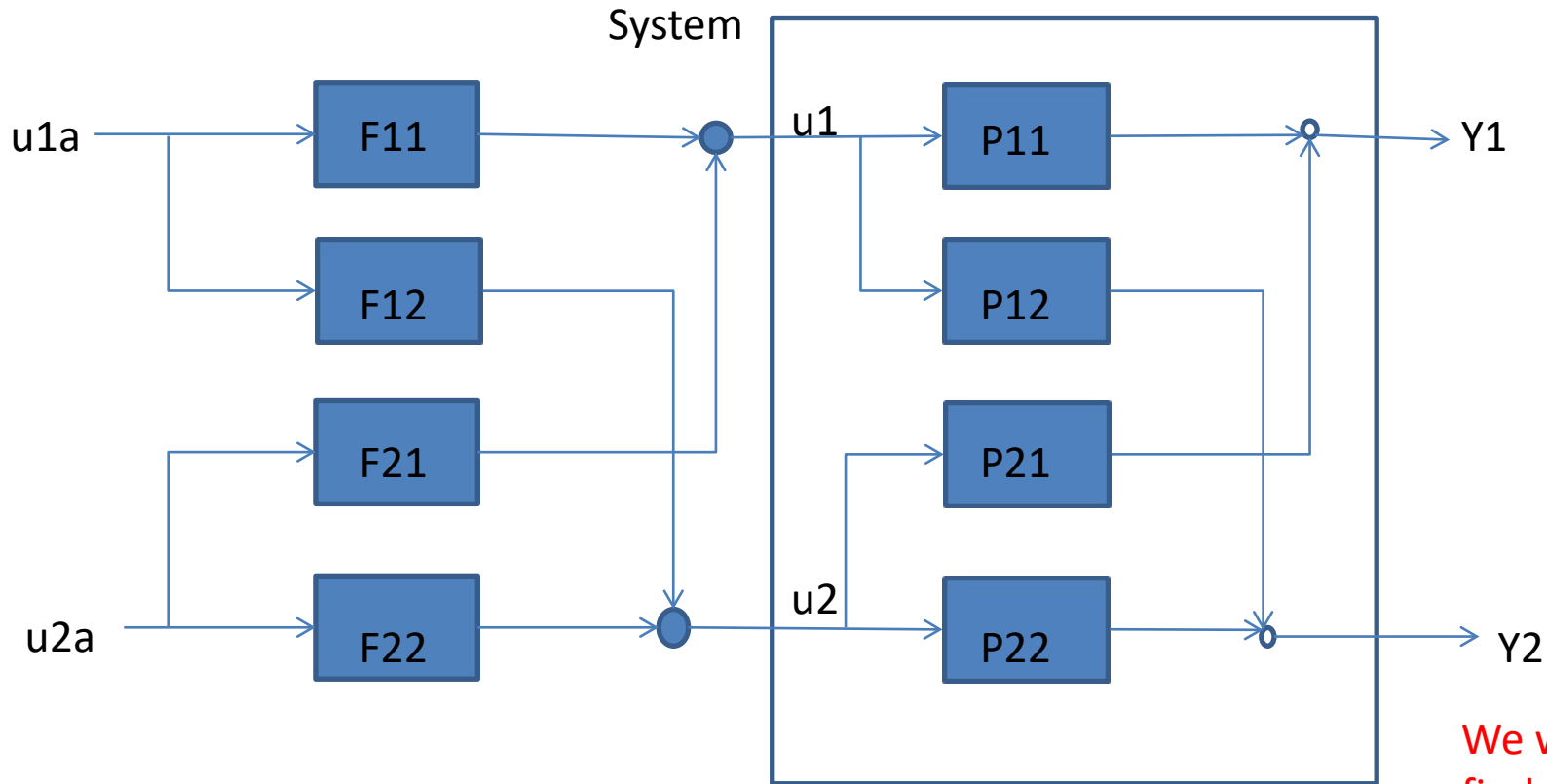
The dynamic coupling factor Q is

$$Q = \frac{P_{21}P_{12}}{P_{11}P_{22}}$$

Decoupling eliminates the effect
of the interaction from u_1 to y_2
And from u_2 to y_1



Decoupling - structure



Decoupling if:

$$\frac{Y_2}{u_{1a}} = F_{12}P_{22} + F_{11}P_{12} = 0 \Rightarrow F_{12} = -F_{11} \frac{P_{12}}{P_{22}}$$

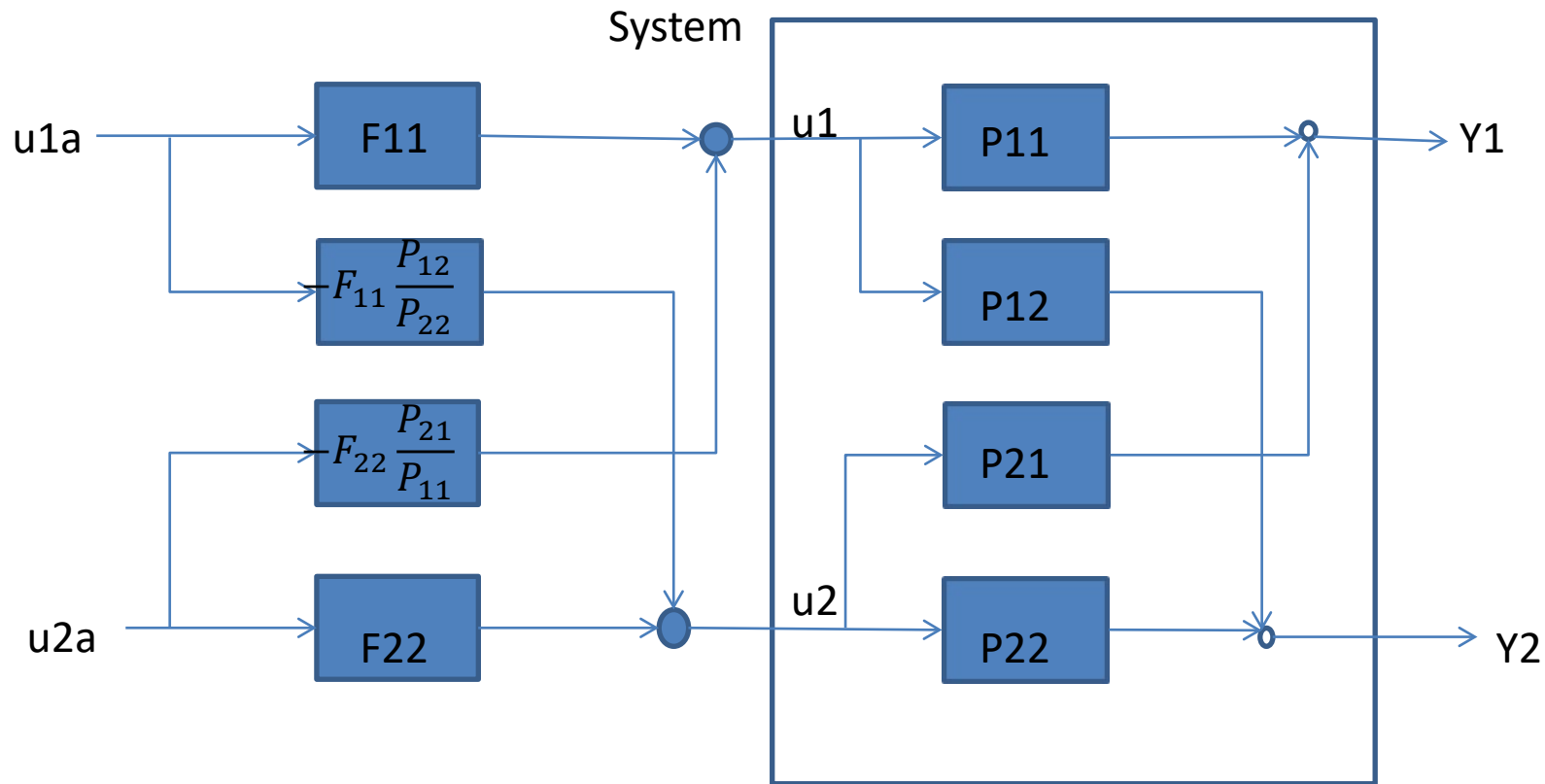
$$\frac{Y_1}{u_{2a}} = F_{21}P_{11} + F_{22}P_{21} = 0 \Rightarrow F_{21} = -F_{22} \frac{P_{21}}{P_{11}}$$

We want to find

$F_{11}, F_{12}, F_{21}, F_{22}$



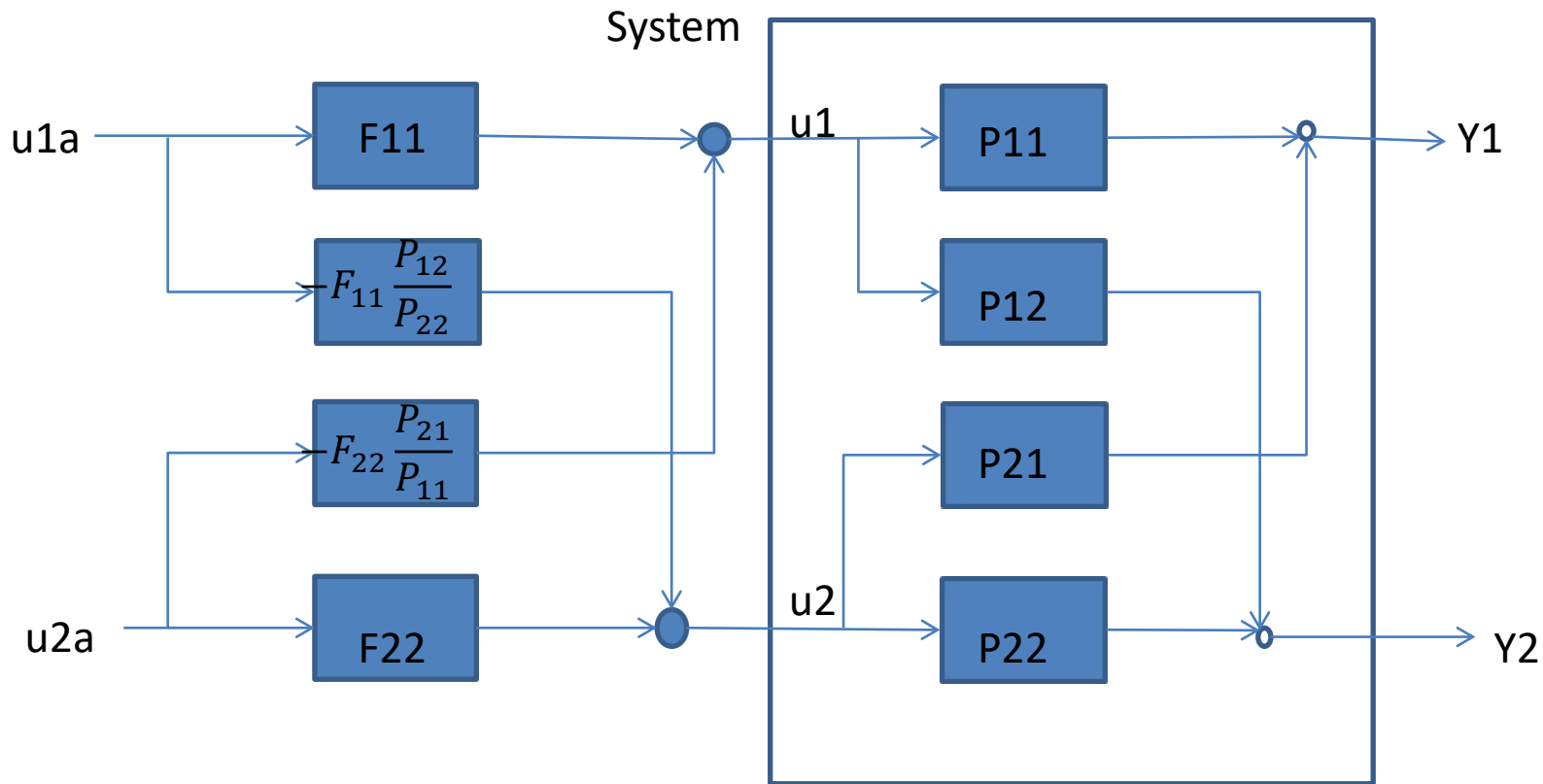
Decoupling X-couplings = 0



$$\frac{Y_2}{u_{1a}} = -F_{11} \frac{P_{12}}{P_{22}} P_{22} + F_{11} P_{12} = 0$$

$$\frac{Y_1}{u_{2a}} = -F_{22} \frac{P_{21}}{P_{11}} P_{11} + F_{22} P_{21} = 0$$

Decoupling – direct couplings

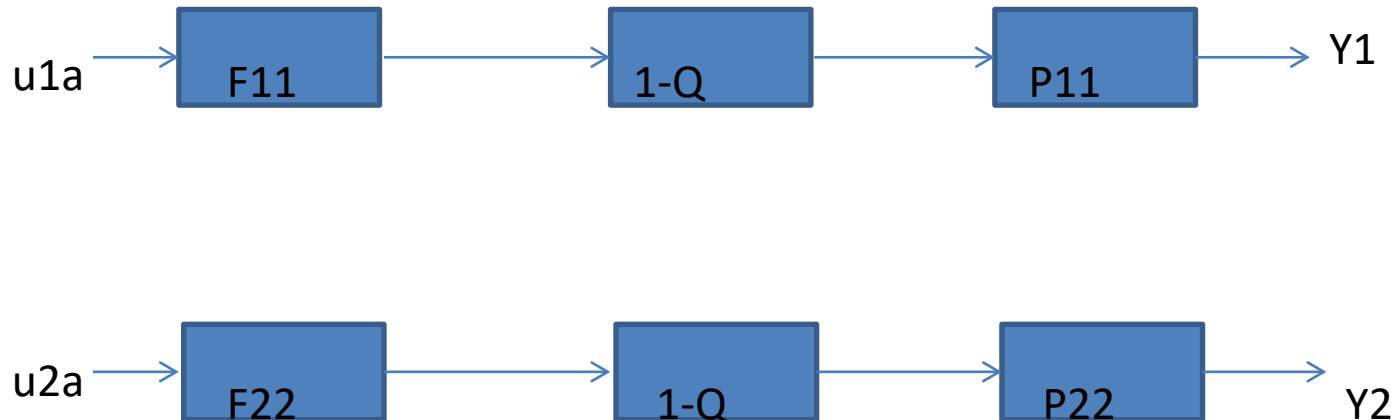


$$\frac{Y_1}{u_{1a}} = -F_{11} \frac{P_{12}}{P_{22}} P_{21} + F_{11} P_{11} = \left(1 - \frac{P_{12} P_{21}}{P_{22} P_{11}} \right) P_{11} F_{11} = (1 - Q) P_{11} F_{11}$$

$$\frac{Y_2}{u_{2a}} = -F_{22} \frac{P_{21}}{P_{11}} P_{12} + F_{22} P_{22} = \left(1 - \frac{P_{12} P_{21}}{P_{22} P_{11}} \right) P_{22} F_{22} = (1 - Q) P_{22} F_{22}$$

SISO loops

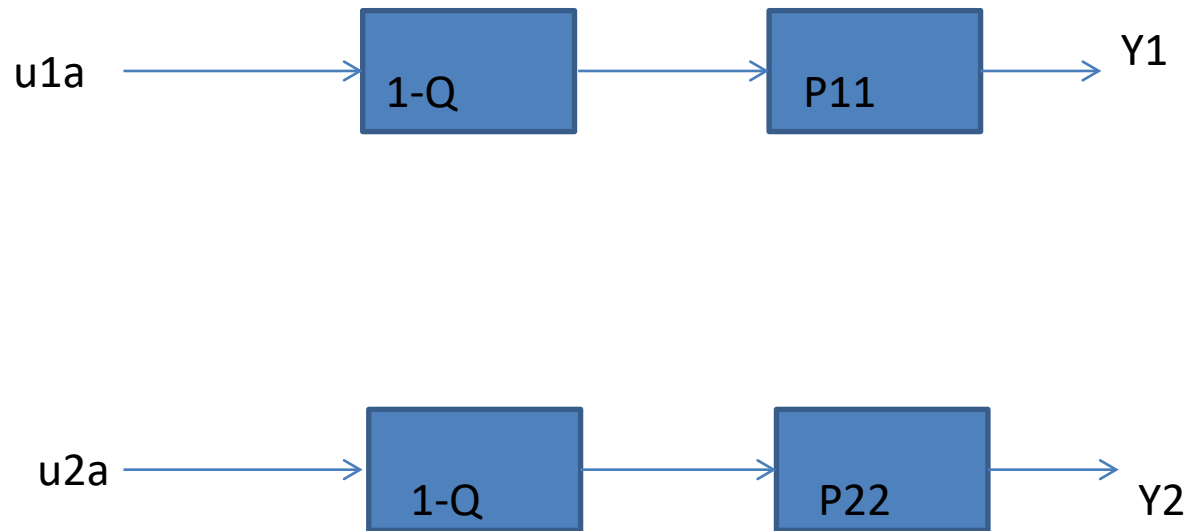
- $\frac{Y_1}{u_{1a}} = (1 - Q)F_{11}P_{11}$
 - $\frac{Y_2}{u_{2a}} = (1 - Q)F_{22}P_{22}$
 - $\frac{Y_2}{u_{1a}} = 0$
 - $\frac{Y_1}{u_{2a}} = 0$
- $$Q = \frac{P_{21}P_{12}}{P_{11}P_{22}}$$



How to choose F

- $F_{12} = -F_{11} \frac{P_{12}}{P_{22}}$
- $F_{21} = -F_{22} \frac{P_{21}}{P_{11}}$
- 2 equations 4 unknown, we can choose 2
- F_{11} and F_{22} are chosen to be 1 then F_{12} and F_{21} can be calculated

Decoupled system



The controllers can be designed using ordinary SISO rules, but you need to know good models.