

Lecture on

**New approaches to gradient-based optimization for modelling
and control of nonlinear systems of uncertain dynamics:
applications to robotics and electric power generation**

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1. Outline

- The functioning of **nonlinear dynamical systems** in real conditions is characterized by **model uncertainty**, **parametric changes** and **external perturbations**.
- Control schemes must perform **simultaneously identification** and **stabilization** of such uncertain dynamics.
- This is a **dual optimization problem** since **modelling errors** and **deviation of the system's state vector elements from the associated setpoints** have to be **minimized** in real-time.
- To achieve these objectives an initial **transformation** (diffeomorphism) of the system's dynamic model to an **equivalent linearized form**, is proposed.
- The **transformed control inputs** consist of **unknown nonlinear functions** which are **identified** with the use of nonlinear regressors.
- **Learning in such networks** is performed through **gradient algorithms** in which the **adaptation rate** (step for the search of an optimum) is defined by conditions for the **minimization of an aggregate energy function** (Lyapunov function).



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- In each iteration of the control algorithm, the **estimates of the nonlinear functions** that constitute the system's dynamics are **fed into a state feedback controller**.
- It has been proven that this control approach assures the **minimization of the aforementioned energy function** and thus the nonlinear system becomes a **globally asymptotically stable one**.
- The proposed method can be applied to **all dynamical systems** which satisfy the **differential flatness property**.
- This is the **widest class of nonlinear dynamical systems** to which one can apply **optimization and control with gradient methods**, while assuring the convergence of the optimization procedure and the stability of the control loop.
- The efficiency of the proposed **optimization-based modelling and control approach** has been confirmed in several test cases, concerning complex nonlinear dynamical systems
- In particular, **the method has been applied to several electromechanical systems**, including robotic systems and electric power generation systems



2. Differential flatness of MIMO nonlinear systems

- **Differential flatness theory** has been developed as a **global linearization control method** by M. Fliess (Ecole Polytechnique, France) and co-researchers (Lévine, Rouchon, Mounier, Rudolph, Petit, Martin, Zhu, Sira-Ramirez et. al)

- A dynamical system can be written in the ODE form $S_i(w, \dot{w}, \ddot{w}, \dots, w^{(i)})$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$ where $w^{(i)}$ stands for the i -th derivative of either a state vector element or of a control input

- The system is said to be **differentially flat** with respect to the **flat output**

$$y_i = \phi(w, \dot{w}, \ddot{w}, \dots, w^{(a)}), \quad i = 1, \dots, m \quad \text{where} \quad y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$$

if the following two conditions are satisfied

- (i) There does not exist any differential relation of the form

$$R(y, \dot{y}, \ddot{y}, \dots, y^{(\beta)}) = 0$$

which means that **the flat output and its derivatives are linearly independent**

- (ii) All system variables are **functions of the flat output and its derivatives**

$$w^{(i)} = \psi(y, \dot{y}, \ddot{y}, \dots, y^{(\gamma_i)})$$



2. Differential flatness of MIMO nonlinear systems

The proposed optimization-based control method is based on the **transformation** of the nonlinear system's model into the **linear canonical form**, and this transformation is succeeded by exploiting the system's differential flatness properties



- **All single input nonlinear systems** are differentially flat and can be transformed into the linear canonical form

One has to define also which are the **MIMO nonlinear systems** which are differentially flat.



- Differential flatness holds for **MIMO nonlinear systems** that admit **static feedback linearization**, and which can be transformed into the linear canonical form through a change of variables (diffeomorphism) and feedback of the state vector.
- Differential flatness holds for **MIMO nonlinear models** that admit **dynamic feedback linearization**, This is the case of **specific underactuated robotic models**. In the latter case the state vector of the system is extended by considering as additional flat outputs some of the control inputs and their derivatives
- Finally, a more rare case is the so-called **Liouvillian systems**. These are systems for which differential flatness properties hold for part of their state vector (constituting a flat subsystem) while the non-flat state variables can be obtained by integration of the elements of the flat subsystem.

3. State-space modelling of MIMO nonlinear systems

3.1. Transformation of MIMO nonlinear systems into the Brunovsky form

The **initial MIMO nonlinear system** is taken to be in the generic form:

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u)$$

It is assumed now that **after defining the flat outputs of the initial MIMO nonlinear system**, and after expressing the system state variables and control inputs as functions of the flat output and of the associated derivatives, the system can be **transformed in the Brunovsky canonical form**

$$\dot{\omega}_1 = \omega_2$$

$$\dot{\omega}_2 = \omega_3$$

...

$$\dot{\omega}_{n_1-1} = \omega_{n_1}$$

$$\dot{\omega}_{n_1} = f_1(\omega) + \sum_{j=1}^p g_{1j}(\omega) u_j + d_1$$

$$\dot{\omega}_{n_1+1} = \omega_{n_1+2}$$

$$\dot{\omega}_{n_1+2} = \omega_{n_1+3}$$

...

$$\dot{\omega}_{p-1} = \omega_p$$

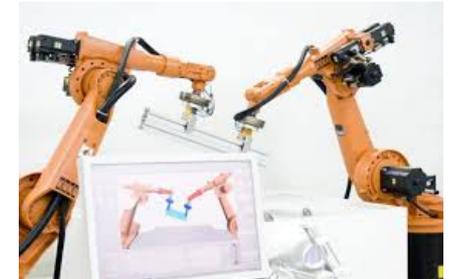
$$\dot{\omega}_p = f_p(\omega) + \sum_{j=1}^p g_{pj}(\omega) u_j + d_p$$

$$y_1 = \omega_1$$

$$y_2 = \omega_{n_1-1}$$

...

$$y_p = \omega_{n-n_p+1}$$



$\omega = [\omega_1, \dots, \omega_{n_1}, \dots, \omega_{n_2}]^T$: is the state vector

$u = [u_1, \dots, u_p]^T$: is the inputs vector

$y = [y_1, \dots, y_p]^T$: is the outputs vector

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Next the following vectors and matrices can be defined

$$f(x) = [f_1(x), \dots, f_n(x)]^T$$

$$g(x) = [g_1(x), \dots, g_n(x)]^T$$

with $g_i(x) = [g_{1i}(x), \dots, g_{pi}(x)]^T$

$$A = \text{diag}[A_1, \dots, A_p], \quad B = \text{diag}[B_1, \dots, B_p]$$

$$C^T = \text{diag}[C_1, \dots, C_p], \quad d = [d_1, \dots, d_p]^T$$

where matrix A has the **MIMO canonical form**, i.e. with elements

$$A_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{r_i \times r_i}$$

$$B_i^T = [0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0 \ 1]_{1 \times r_i}$$

$$C_i = [1 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0 \ 0]_{1 \times r_i}$$

Thus, the initial nonlinear system can be written in the **state-space form**

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + B[f(x) + g(x)u + \tilde{d}] \\ y &= Cx \end{aligned}$$



or equivalently in the state space form

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + Bv + B\tilde{d} \\ y &= Cx \end{aligned}$$



where $v = f(x) + g(x)u$

For the generic case of the **MIMO nonlinear system** it is assumed that the functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are unknown and have to be approximated by **nonlinear regressors** (e.g. neuro-fuzzy networks)

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Thus, the nonlinear system can be written in **state-space form**

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + B[f(x) + g(x)u + \bar{d}] \\ y &= C^T x\end{aligned}$$

which equivalently
can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + Bv + B\bar{d} \\ y &= C^T x\end{aligned} \quad \text{where} \quad v = f(x) + g(x)u.$$

The **reference setpoints** for the system's outputs y_1, \dots, y_p are

denoted as y_{1m}, \dots, y_{pm} and the associated tracking errors are defined as

$$\begin{aligned}e_1 &= y_1 - y_{1m} \\ e_2 &= y_2 - y_{2m} \\ &\dots \\ e_p &= y_p - y_{pm}\end{aligned}$$



The **error vector of the outputs** of the transformed MIMO system is denoted as

$$\begin{aligned}E_1 &= [e_1, \dots, e_p]^T \\ y_m &= [y_{1m}, \dots, y_{pm}]^T \\ &\dots \\ y_m^{(*)} &= [y_{1m}^{(*)}, \dots, y_{pm}^{(*)}]^T\end{aligned}$$



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3.2. Control law under measurable state vector

The **control signal** $v = f(x) + g(x)u$ of the **MIMO nonlinear system** contains the **unknown nonlinear functions** $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ which can be approximated by

$$\hat{f}(x|\theta_f) = \Phi_f(x)\theta_f, \quad \hat{g}(x|\theta_g) = \Phi_g(x)\theta_g$$

where $\Phi_f(x) = (\xi_f^1(x), \xi_f^2(x), \dots, \xi_f^n(x))^T$,

$$\xi_f^i(x) = (\phi_f^{i,1}(x), \phi_f^{i,2}(x), \dots, \phi_f^{i,N}(x))$$

thus giving

$$\Phi_f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_f^{1,1}(x) & \phi_f^{1,2}(x) & \dots & \phi_f^{1,N}(x) \\ \phi_f^{2,1}(x) & \phi_f^{2,2}(x) & \dots & \phi_f^{2,N}(x) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \phi_f^{n,1}(x) & \phi_f^{n,2}(x) & \dots & \phi_f^{n,N}(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

while the weights vector is defined as $\theta_f^T = (\theta_f^1, \theta_f^2, \dots, \theta_f^N)$.



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Similarly, it holds $\Phi_{\xi}(x) = (\xi_{\xi}^1(x), \xi_{\xi}^2(x), \dots, \xi_{\xi}^N(x))^T$.

$$\xi_{\xi}^i(x) = (\phi_{\xi}^{i,1}(x), \phi_{\xi}^{i,2}(x), \dots, \phi_{\xi}^{i,N}(x)).$$

thus giving

$$\Phi_{\xi}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{\xi}^{1,1}(x) & \phi_{\xi}^{1,2}(x) & \dots & \phi_{\xi}^{1,N}(x) \\ \phi_{\xi}^{2,1}(x) & \phi_{\xi}^{2,2}(x) & \dots & \phi_{\xi}^{2,N}(x) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \phi_{\xi}^{n,1}(x) & \phi_{\xi}^{n,2}(x) & \dots & \phi_{\xi}^{n,N}(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

while the weights vector is defined as $\theta_{\xi} = (\theta_{\xi}^1, \theta_{\xi}^2, \dots, \theta_{\xi}^p)^T$.

However, here each row of θ_{ξ} is vector thus giving

$$\theta_{\xi} = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_{\xi 1}^1 & \theta_{\xi 1}^2 & \dots & \theta_{\xi 1}^p \\ \theta_{\xi 2}^1 & \theta_{\xi 2}^2 & \dots & \theta_{\xi 2}^p \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \theta_{\xi N}^1 & \theta_{\xi N}^2 & \dots & \theta_{\xi N}^p \end{pmatrix}$$

If the state variables of the system are available for measurement then a **state-feedback control law can be formulated as**

$$u = \hat{g}^{-1}(x|\theta_g) [-\hat{f}(x|\theta_f) + y_m^{(r)} + K_c^T e + u_c]$$



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3.2. Control law under non-measurable state vector

The control of the system $\dot{x} = f(x, u)$ becomes more complicated **when the state vector x is not directly measurable** and has to be reconstructed through a state observer. The following definitions are used

$e = x - x_m$: is the error of the state vector

$\hat{e} = \hat{x} - x_m$ is the error of the estimated state vector

$\tilde{e} = e - \hat{e} = (x - x_m) - (\hat{x} - x_m)$ is the observation error

When an **observer is used to reconstruct the state vector**, the control law

$$u = \hat{g}^{-1}(\hat{x}|\theta_g) [-\hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f) + y_m^{(r)} - K^T \hat{e} + u_c]$$

By applying the previous feedback control law one obtains the closed-loop dynamics

$$\begin{aligned} y^{(n)} &= f(x) + g(x) \hat{g}^{-1}(\hat{x}) [-\hat{f}(\hat{x}) + y_m^{(n)} - K^T \hat{e} + u_c] + d \Rightarrow \\ y^{(n)} &= f(x) + [g(x) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}) + \hat{g}(\hat{x})] \hat{g}^{-1}(\hat{x}) [-\hat{f}(\hat{x}) + y_m^{(n)} - K^T \hat{e} + u_c] + d \Rightarrow \\ y^{(n)} &= [f(x) - \hat{f}(\hat{x})] + [g(x) - \hat{g}(\hat{x})] u + y_m^{(n)} - K^T \hat{e} + u_c + d \end{aligned}$$

It holds $e = x - x_m \Rightarrow y^{(n)} = e^{(n)} + y_m^{(n)}$

and by substituting $y^{(n)}$ in the **previous feedback control loop dynamics** gives



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the tracking error dynamics

$$\dot{e}^{(p)} + y_m^{(p)} = y_m^{(p)} - K^T \hat{e} + u_c + [f(x) - \hat{f}(\hat{x})] + [g(x) - \hat{g}(\hat{x})]u + d$$

or equivalently

$$\dot{e} = Ae - BK^T \hat{e} + Bu_c + B\{[f(x) - \hat{f}(\hat{x})] + [g(x) - \hat{g}(\hat{x})]u + d\}$$

$$e_1 = C^T e$$

where $e = [e^1, e^2, \dots, e^p]^T$ with $e^i = [e_{i1}, \dot{e}_{i1}, \ddot{e}_{i1}, \dots, e_{i1}^{n_i-1}]^T, i = 1, 2, \dots, p$

and equivalently $\hat{e} = [\hat{e}^1, \hat{e}^2, \dots, \hat{e}^p]^T$ with $\hat{e}^i = [\hat{e}_{i1}, \dot{\hat{e}}_{i1}, \ddot{\hat{e}}_{i1}, \dots, \hat{e}_{i1}^{n_i-1}]^T, i = 1, 2, \dots, p$.

A state observer is designed as:

$$\dot{\hat{e}} = A\hat{e} - BK^T \hat{e} + K_o[e_1 - C^T \hat{e}]$$

$$\hat{e}_1 = C^T \hat{e}$$



(A)

(B)

4. An application example of optimization-based control

4.1. Dynamics of the tracking error

Without loss of generality consider a two-input MIMO system:

By **applying differential flatness theory, and in the presence of disturbances**, the dynamic model of the system comes to the form

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{x}_1 &= f_1(x, t) + g_1(x, t)u + d_1 \\ \ddot{x}_3 &= f_2(x, t) + g_2(x, t)u + d_2 \end{aligned} \quad \text{(C)}$$

The following **control input** is defined:

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{g}_1(x, t) \\ \hat{g}_2(x, t) \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x}_1^d \\ \ddot{x}_3^d \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \hat{f}_1(x, t) \\ \hat{f}_2(x, t) \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} K_1^T \\ K_2^T \end{pmatrix} e + \begin{pmatrix} u_{c1} \\ u_{c2} \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{(D)}$$

where: $[u_{c1} \ u_{c2}]^T$ is a **robust control term** that is used for the compensation of the model's uncertainties as well as of the external disturbances

and: $K_i^T = [k_1^i, k_2^i, \dots, k_{n-1}^i, k_n^i]$ is the feedback gain

Substituting the control input (D) into the system (C) one obtains

$$\begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x, t) \\ f_2(x, t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} g_1(x, t) \\ g_2(x, t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{g}_1(x, t) \\ \hat{g}_2(x, t) \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x}_1^d \\ \ddot{x}_3^d \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \hat{f}_1(x, t) \\ \hat{f}_2(x, t) \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} K_1^T \\ K_2^T \end{pmatrix} e + \begin{pmatrix} u_{c1} \\ u_{c2} \end{pmatrix} \right\} + \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{pmatrix}$$



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4.1. Dynamics of the tracking error

Moreover, using again Eq. (D) one obtains the **tracking error dynamics**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{e}_1 \\ \dot{e}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x,t) - \hat{f}_1(x,t) \\ f_2(x,t) - \hat{f}_2(x,t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} g_1(x,t) - \hat{g}_1(x,t) \\ g_2(x,t) - \hat{g}_2(x,t) \end{pmatrix} u - \begin{pmatrix} K_1^T \\ K_2^T \end{pmatrix} e + \begin{pmatrix} u_{c1} \\ u_{c2} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The **approximation error** is defined as:

$$w = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x,t) - \hat{f}_1(x,t) \\ f_2(x,t) - \hat{f}_2(x,t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} g_1(x,t) - \hat{g}_1(x,t) \\ g_2(x,t) - \hat{g}_2(x,t) \end{pmatrix} u$$



Using matrices A,B;K, and considering that **the estimated state vector is used in the control loop** the following description of the tracking error dynamics is obtained:

$$\dot{e} = Ae - BK^T \hat{e} + Bu_c + B \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x,t) - \hat{f}_1(\hat{x},t) \\ f_2(x,t) - \hat{f}_2(\hat{x},t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} g_1(x,t) - \hat{g}_1(\hat{x},t) \\ g_2(x,t) - \hat{g}_2(\hat{x},t) \end{pmatrix} u + \tilde{d} \right\}$$

When the **estimated state vector** is used in the loop the **approximation error** is written as

$$w = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x,t) - \hat{f}_1(\hat{x},t) \\ f_2(x,t) - \hat{f}_2(\hat{x},t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} g_1(x,t) - \hat{g}_1(\hat{x},t) \\ g_2(x,t) - \hat{g}_2(\hat{x},t) \end{pmatrix} u$$

while the **tracking error dynamics** becomes

$$\dot{e} = Ae - BK^T \hat{e} + Bu_c + Bw + B\tilde{d}$$



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4.2. Dynamics of the observation error

The **observation error** is defined as: $\bar{e} = e - \hat{e} = \varpi - \hat{\varpi}$.

By subtracting Eq. (B) from Eq. (A) one obtains:

$$\dot{e} - \dot{\hat{e}} = A(e - \hat{e}) + B u_o + B \{ [f(\varpi, t) - \hat{f}(\hat{\varpi}, t)] + [g(\varpi, t) - \hat{g}(\hat{\varpi}, t)] u + \bar{d} \} - K_o C^T (e - \hat{e})$$

$$e_1 - \hat{e}_1 = C^T (e - \hat{e})$$

or equivalently:

$$\dot{\bar{e}} = A \bar{e} + B u_o + B \{ [f(\varpi, t) - \hat{f}(\hat{\varpi}, t)] + [g(\varpi, t) - \hat{g}(\hat{\varpi}, t)] u + \bar{d} \} - K_o C^T \bar{e}$$

$$\bar{e}_1 = C^T \bar{e}$$

which can be also written as:

$$\dot{\bar{e}} = (A - K_o C^T) \bar{e} + B u_o + B w + \bar{d}$$

$$\bar{e}_1 = C^T \bar{e}$$

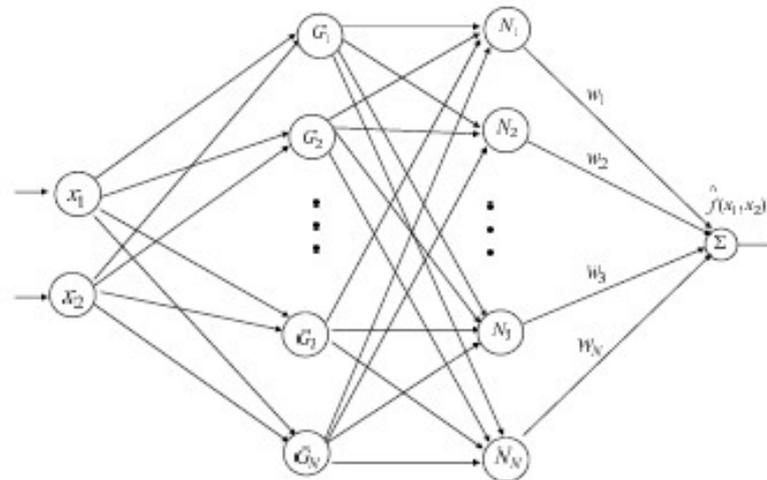


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4.3. Approximation of the unknown system dynamics

Next, the first of the approximators of the unknown system dynamics is defined

$$\hat{f}(\hat{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{f}_1(\hat{x}|\theta_f) & \hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 1} & \hat{f}_1(\hat{x}|\theta_f) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 1} \\ \hat{f}_2(\hat{x}|\theta_f) & \hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 1} & \hat{f}_2(\hat{x}|\theta_f) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 1} \end{pmatrix}$$



containing kernel functions $\phi_f^{s,j}(\hat{x}) = \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu_{A_j^s}(\theta_j)}{\sum_{l=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu_{A_j^s}(\theta_j)}$

where $\mu_{A_j^s}(\hat{x})$ are fuzzy membership functions appearing in the antecedent part of the l -th fuzzy rule



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4.3. Approximation of the unknown system dynamics

Similarly, the second of the approximators of the unknown system dynamics is defined

$$\hat{g}(\hat{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{g}_1(\hat{x}|\theta_g) & \hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 1} & \hat{g}_1(\hat{x}|\theta_g) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2} \\ \hat{g}_2(\hat{x}|\theta_g) & \hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 1} & \hat{g}_2(\hat{x}|\theta_g) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2} \end{pmatrix}$$

The values of the weights that result in optimal approximation are

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_f^* &= \arg \min_{\theta_f \in M_{\theta_f}} [\sup_{\omega \in U_2} (f(\omega) - \hat{f}(\hat{\omega}|\theta_f))] \\ \theta_g^* &= \arg \min_{\theta_g \in M_{\theta_g}} [\sup_{\omega \in U_2} (g(\omega) - \hat{g}(\hat{\omega}|\theta_g))] \end{aligned}$$

The variation ranges for the weights are given by

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\theta_f} &= \{\theta_f \in \mathbb{R}^k : \|\theta_f\| \leq m_{\theta_f}\} \\ M_{\theta_g} &= \{\theta_g \in \mathbb{R}^k : \|\theta_g\| \leq m_{\theta_g}\} \end{aligned}$$

The value of the approximation error that corresponds to the optimal values of the weights vectors is

$$w = \left(f(x, t) - \hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f^*) \right) + \left(g(x, t) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g^*) \right) v$$



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which is next written as

$$w = \left(f(x, t) - \hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f) + \hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f) - \hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f^*) \right) + \left(g(x, t) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g) + \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g^*) \right) u$$

which can be also written in the following form

with
$$w = (w_a + w_b)$$

$$w_a = \{ [f(x, t) - \hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f)] + [g(x, t) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g)] \} u$$

and

$$w_b = \{ [\hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f) - \hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f^*)] + [\hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g^*)] \} u$$

Moreover, the following **weights error vectors** are defined

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\theta}_f &= \theta_f - \theta_f^* \\ \bar{\theta}_g &= \theta_g - \theta_g^* \end{aligned}$$

and these denote the distance of the **weights vectors** from the values that provide optimal model estimation

It will be shown that these **weights** are updated through a gradient method



5. Convergence proof for the optimization method

The following Lyapunov (energy) function is considered:

$$V = \frac{1}{2} \hat{e}^T P_1 \hat{e} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T P_2 \bar{e} + \frac{1}{2\gamma_1} \bar{\theta}_f^T \bar{\theta}_f + \frac{1}{2\gamma_2} \text{tr}[\bar{\theta}_g^T \bar{\theta}_g]$$

The selection of the **Lyapunov function** is based on the following principle of indirect adaptive control

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{e} : \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \hat{e}(t) &= \omega_d(t) & \text{this results} \\ \bar{e} : \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \bar{e}(t) &= \omega(t) & \text{into} & \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \omega(t) = \omega_d(t) \end{aligned}$$



By deriving the **Lyapunov function** with respect to time one obtains:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= \frac{1}{2} \dot{\hat{e}}^T P_1 \hat{e} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{e}^T P_1 \dot{\hat{e}} + \frac{1}{2} \dot{\bar{e}}^T P_2 \bar{e} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T P_2 \dot{\bar{e}} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \dot{\bar{\theta}}_f^T \bar{\theta}_f + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} \text{tr}[\dot{\bar{\theta}}_g^T \bar{\theta}_g] \Rightarrow \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= \frac{1}{2} \{ (A - BK^T) \dot{\hat{e}} + K_o C^T \dot{\bar{e}} \}^T P_1 \hat{e} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{e}^T P_1 \{ (A - BK^T) \dot{\hat{e}} + K_o C^T \dot{\bar{e}} \} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \{ (A - K_o C^T) \dot{\bar{e}} + B u_o + B \dot{d} + B w \}^T P_2 \bar{e} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \dot{\bar{e}}^T P_2 \{ (A - K_o C^T) \dot{\bar{e}} + B u_o + B \dot{d} + B w \} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \dot{\bar{\theta}}_f^T \bar{\theta}_f + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} \text{tr}[\dot{\bar{\theta}}_g^T \bar{\theta}_g] \Rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

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The previous equation is rewritten as:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} = & \frac{1}{2} \{ \dot{\hat{e}}^T (A - BK^T)^T + \bar{e}^T CK_o^T \} P_1 \hat{e} + \frac{1}{2} \dot{\hat{e}}^T P_1 \{ (A - BK^T) \hat{e} + K_o C^T \bar{e} \} + \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \{ \bar{e}^T (A - K_o C^T)^T + v_o^T B^T + w^T B^T + \bar{d}^T B^T \} P_2 \bar{e} + \\ & \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T P_2 \{ (A - K_o C^T) \bar{e} + B v_o + B w + B \bar{d} \} + \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \dot{\bar{\theta}}_f^T \bar{\theta}_f + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} \text{tr} [\dot{\bar{\theta}}_g^T \bar{\theta}_g] \Rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

which finally takes the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} = & \frac{1}{2} \dot{\hat{e}}^T (A - BK^T)^T P_1 \hat{e} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T CK_o^T P_1 \hat{e} + \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \dot{\hat{e}}^T P_1 (A - BK^T) \hat{e} + \frac{1}{2} \dot{\hat{e}}^T P_1 K_o C^T \bar{e} + \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T (A - K_o C^T)^T P_2 \bar{e} + \frac{1}{2} (v_o^T + w^T + \bar{d}^T) B^T P_2 \bar{e} + \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T P_2 (A - K_o C^T) \bar{e} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T P_2 B (v_o + w + \bar{d}) + \\ & + \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \dot{\bar{\theta}}_f^T \bar{\theta}_f + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} \text{tr} [\dot{\bar{\theta}}_g^T \bar{\theta}_g] \end{aligned}$$



Assumption 1: For given positive definite matrices Q1 and Q2 there exist positive definite matrices P1 and P2, which are the solution of the following **Riccati equations**

$$(A - BK^T)^T P_1 + P_1 (A - BK^T) + Q_1 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} (A - K_o C^T)^T P_2 + P_2 (A - K_o C^T) - \\ - P_2 B \left(\frac{2}{\rho} - \frac{1}{\rho^2} \right) B^T P_2 + Q_2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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By substituting the relations described by the previous **Riccati equations** into the derivative of the Lyapunov function one gets:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} = & \frac{1}{2} \tilde{e}^T \{ (A - BK^T)^T P_1 + P_1 (A - BK^T) \} \tilde{e} + \tilde{e}^T CK_o^T P_1 \tilde{e} + \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T \{ (A - K_o C^T)^T P_2 + P_2 (A - K_o C^T) \} \bar{e} + \\ & + \tilde{e}^T P_2 B (u_c + w + \bar{d}) + \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \dot{\theta}_f^T \bar{\theta}_f + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} \text{tr} [\dot{\theta}_g^T \bar{\theta}_g] \end{aligned}$$



or:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} = & -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{e}^T Q_1 \tilde{e} + \tilde{e}^T CK_o^T P_1 \tilde{e} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T \{ Q_2 - P_2 B \left(\frac{2}{r} - \frac{1}{\rho^2} \right) B^T P_2 \} \bar{e} + \\ & + \tilde{e}^T P_2 B (u_c + w + \bar{d}) + \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \dot{\theta}_f^T \bar{\theta}_f + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} \text{tr} [\dot{\theta}_g^T \bar{\theta}_g] \end{aligned}$$

The **supervisory control term** u_c consists of two terms u_a and u_b

The first term u_a is

$$u_a = -\frac{1}{r} \tilde{e}^T P_2 B + \Delta u_a$$



where assuming that the measurable elements of vector \tilde{e} are $\{\tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_3, \dots, \tilde{e}_k\}$

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The term Δu_a is such that

$$-\frac{1}{r}\tilde{e}^T P_2 B + \Delta u_a = -\frac{1}{r} \begin{pmatrix} p_{11}\tilde{e}_1 + p_{13}\tilde{e}_3 + \dots + p_{1k}\tilde{e}_k \\ p_{13}\tilde{e}_1 + p_{33}\tilde{e}_3 + \dots + p_{3k}\tilde{e}_k \\ \dots \dots \dots \\ p_{1k}\tilde{e}_1 + p_{3k}\tilde{e}_3 + \dots + p_{kk}\tilde{e}_k \end{pmatrix}$$



u_a is an H_∞ control used for the **compensation of the approximation error** w and the additive disturbance \bar{d} (the control term u_a has been chosen so as to satisfy the condition

The previous relation finally stands for a product between the measurable state vector elements $\{\tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_3, \dots, \tilde{e}_k\}$ and the elements of matrix P_2 which is obtained from the solution of the previous Riccati equation.

The control term u_b is given by

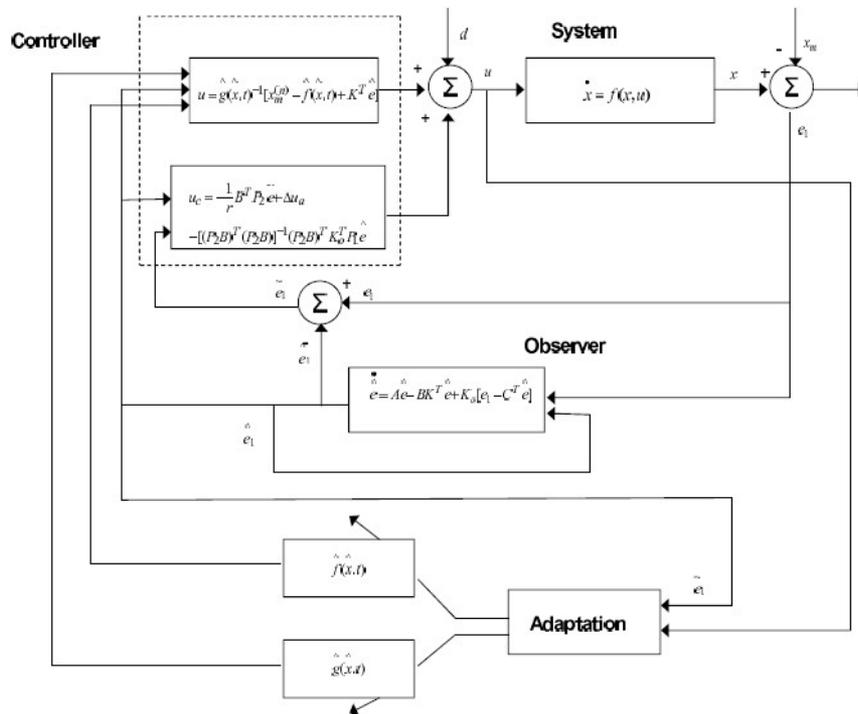
$$u_b = -[(P_2 B)^T (P_2 B)]^{-1} (P_2 B)^T C K_o^T P_1 \hat{e}$$



u_b is a control used for the **compensation of the observation error** (the control term u_b has been chosen so as to satisfy the condition $\tilde{e}^T P_2 B u_b = -\tilde{e}^T C K_o^T P_1 \hat{e}$).

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The optimization-based control scheme is depicted in the following diagram



By substituting the supervisory control term in the **derivative of the Lyapunov function** one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} = & -\frac{1}{2} \hat{e}^T Q_1 \hat{e} + \bar{e}^T C K_c^T P_1 \hat{e} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T Q_2 \bar{e} + \frac{1}{\rho} \bar{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \bar{e} - \frac{1}{2\rho^2} \bar{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \bar{e} + \\ & + \bar{e}^T P_2 B u_{\alpha} + \bar{e}^T P_2 B u_{\beta} + \bar{e}^T P_2 B (w + \bar{d}) + \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \dot{\hat{\theta}}_f^T \bar{\theta}_f + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} \text{tr} \left[\dot{\hat{\theta}}_g^T \bar{\theta}_g \right] \end{aligned}$$

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or equivalently

$$\dot{V} = -\frac{1}{2}\hat{e}^T Q_1 \hat{e} - \frac{1}{2}\tilde{e}^T Q_2 \tilde{e} - \frac{1}{2\rho^2}\tilde{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \tilde{e} + \tilde{e}^T P_2 B (w + \tilde{d} + \Delta u_a) + \frac{1}{\gamma_1} \dot{\tilde{\theta}}_f^T \tilde{\theta}_f + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} \text{tr}[\dot{\tilde{\theta}}_g^T \tilde{\theta}_g]$$

Besides, about the **adaptation of the weights** of the neurofuzzy approximator it holds

$$\dot{\tilde{\theta}}_f = \dot{\theta}_f - \dot{\theta}_f^* = \dot{\theta}_f \quad \dot{\tilde{\theta}}_g = \dot{\theta}_g - \dot{\theta}_g^* = \dot{\theta}_g$$

A **gradient-based update** is applied to the approximator's weights

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\theta}_f &= -\gamma_1 \Phi(\hat{x})^T B^T P_2 \tilde{e} \\ \dot{\theta}_g &= -\gamma_2 \Phi(\hat{x})^T B^T P_2 \tilde{e} v^T \end{aligned}$$

Gradient-based optimization

The **gradient update scheme** is defined in a manner that assures that **the first derivative of the Lyapunov function will remain negative**, and thus the Lyapunov function will be monotonously decreasing.

By substituting the above relations in the derivative of the Lyapunov function one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= -\frac{1}{2}\hat{e}^T Q_1 \hat{e} - \frac{1}{2}\tilde{e}^T Q_2 \tilde{e} - \frac{1}{2\rho^2}\tilde{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \tilde{e} + B^T P_2 \tilde{e} (w + \tilde{d} + \Delta u_a) + \frac{1}{\gamma_1} (-\gamma_1) \tilde{e}^T P_2 B \Phi(\hat{x}) (\theta_f - \theta_f^*) + \frac{1}{\gamma_2} (-\gamma_2) \text{tr}[u \tilde{e}^T P_2 B (\hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g^*))] \end{aligned}$$



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To continue with the **convergence proof for the proposed optimization method** it is taken into account that

$$v \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1} \text{ and } \bar{e}^T P B (\hat{g}(x|\theta_g) - \hat{g}(x|\theta_g^*)) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}$$

one gets

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} = & -\frac{1}{2}\hat{e}^T Q_1 \hat{e} - \frac{1}{2}\tilde{e}^T Q_2 \tilde{e} - \frac{1}{2\rho^2}\tilde{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \tilde{e} + \\ & B^T P_2 \tilde{e}(w + \tilde{d} + \Delta u_a) + \frac{1}{\gamma_1}(-\gamma_1)\tilde{e}^T P_2 B \Phi(\hat{x})(\theta_f - \theta_f^*) + \\ & \frac{1}{\gamma_2}(-\gamma_2)\text{tr}[\tilde{e}^T P_2 B (\hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g^*))u] \end{aligned}$$

Since $\bar{e}^T P_2 B (\hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g^*))v \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 1}$

it holds
$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(\bar{e}^T P_2 B (\hat{g}(x|\theta_g) - \hat{g}(x|\theta_g^*))v) = \\ = \bar{e}^T P_2 B (\hat{g}(x|\theta_g) - \hat{g}(x|\theta_g^*))v \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, one finally obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} = & -\frac{1}{2}\hat{e}^T Q_1 \hat{e} - \frac{1}{2}\tilde{e}^T Q_2 \tilde{e} - \frac{1}{2\rho^2}\tilde{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \tilde{e} + \\ & B^T P_2 \tilde{e}(w + \tilde{d} + \Delta u_a) + \frac{1}{\gamma_1}(-\gamma_1)\tilde{e}^T P_2 B \Phi(\hat{x})(\theta_f - \theta_f^*) + \\ & \frac{1}{\gamma_2}(-\gamma_2)\tilde{e}^T P_2 B (\hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g^*))u \end{aligned}$$

Next, the following **approximation error** is defined

$$w_a = [\hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f^*) - \hat{f}(\hat{x}|\theta_f)] + [\hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g^*) - \hat{g}(\hat{x}|\theta_g)]v$$



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Thus, one obtains

$$\dot{V} = -\frac{1}{2}\hat{e}^T Q_1 \hat{e} - \frac{1}{2}\tilde{e}^T Q_2 \tilde{e} - \frac{1}{2\rho^2}\tilde{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \tilde{e} + B^T P_2 \tilde{e}(w + \tilde{d} + \Delta u_a) + \tilde{e}^T P_2 B w_\alpha$$

Denoting the **aggregate approximation error** and disturbances vector as

$$w_1 = w + \tilde{d} + w_\alpha + \Delta u_a$$

the derivative of the Lyapunov function becomes

$$\dot{V} = -\frac{1}{2}\hat{e}^T Q_1 \hat{e} - \frac{1}{2}\bar{e}^T Q_2 \bar{e} - \frac{1}{2\rho^2}\bar{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \bar{e} + \bar{e}^T P_2 B w_1$$

which in turn is written as

$$\dot{V} = -\frac{1}{2}\hat{e}^T Q_1 \hat{e} - \frac{1}{2}\bar{e}^T Q_2 \bar{e} - \frac{1}{2\rho^2}\bar{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \bar{e} + \frac{1}{2}\bar{e}^T P_2 B w_1 + \frac{1}{2}w_1^T B^T P_2 \bar{e}$$

Lemma: The following inequality holds

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}\bar{e}^T P_2 B w_1 + \frac{1}{2}w_1^T B^T P_2 \bar{e} - \frac{1}{2\rho^2}\bar{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \bar{e} \\ \leq \frac{1}{2}\rho^2 w_1^T w_1 \end{aligned}$$



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Proof:

The binomial $(\rho a - \frac{1}{\rho} b)^2 \geq 0$ is considered. Expanding the left part of the above inequality one gets

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^2 a^2 + \frac{1}{\rho^2} b^2 - 2ab &\geq 0 \Rightarrow \\ \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 a^2 + \frac{1}{2\rho^2} b^2 - ab &\geq 0 \Rightarrow \\ ab - \frac{1}{2\rho^2} b^2 &\leq \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 a^2 \Rightarrow \\ \frac{1}{2} ab + \frac{1}{2} ab - \frac{1}{2\rho^2} b^2 &\leq \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 a^2 \end{aligned}$$

By substituting $a = w_1$ and $b = \bar{e}^T P_2 B$ one gets

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} w_1^T B^T P_2 \bar{e} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T P_2 B w_1 - \frac{1}{2\rho^2} \bar{e}^T P_2 B B^T P_2 \bar{e} \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 w_1^T w_1 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by substituting the above inequality into the **derivative of the Lyapunov function** one gets

$$\dot{V} \leq -\frac{1}{2} \dot{\bar{e}}^T Q_1 \dot{\bar{e}} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{e}^T Q_2 \bar{e} + \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 w_1^T w_1$$

which is also written as $\dot{V} \leq -\frac{1}{2} E^T Q E + \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 w_1^T w_1$

with $E = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\bar{e}} \\ \bar{e} \end{pmatrix}$, $Q = \begin{pmatrix} Q_1 & 0 \\ 0 & Q_2 \end{pmatrix} = \text{diag}[Q_1, Q_2]$



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Hence, the H_{∞} performance criterion is derived. **For sufficiently small ρ the inequality will be true** and the H_{∞} tracking criterion will be satisfied. In that case, the integration of \dot{V} from 0 to T gives

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^T \dot{V}(t) dt &\leq -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|E\|^2 dt + \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 \int_0^T \|w_1\|^2 dt \Rightarrow \\ 2V(T) - 2V(0) &\leq -\int_0^T \|E\|_Q^2 dt + \rho^2 \int_0^T \|w_1\|^2 dt \Rightarrow \\ 2V(T) + \int_0^T \|E\|_Q^2 dt &\leq 2V(0) + \rho^2 \int_0^T \|w_1\|^2 dt \end{aligned}$$



It is assumed that there exists a positive constant $M_w > 0$ such that

$$\int_0^{\infty} \|w_1\|^2 dt \leq M_w$$

Therefore for the integral $\int_0^T \|E\|_Q^2 dt$ one gets

$$\int_0^{\infty} \|E\|_Q^2 dt \leq 2V(0) + \rho^2 M_w$$



Thus, the integral $\int_0^{\infty} \|E\|_Q^2 dt$ is bounded and **according to Barbalat's Lemma**

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = 0$$

and thus **global asymptotic stability** is also shown for the control loop.

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6.1 The model of multi-DOF robotic manipulators



The model of the **robot's dynamics** is a MIMO nonlinear one:

$$M(\theta)\ddot{\theta} + h(\theta, \dot{\theta}) + G(\theta) = T \quad \theta = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1} \quad \dot{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1} \quad \ddot{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\theta}_1 \\ \ddot{\theta}_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

is the inertia matrix

$$h = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$$

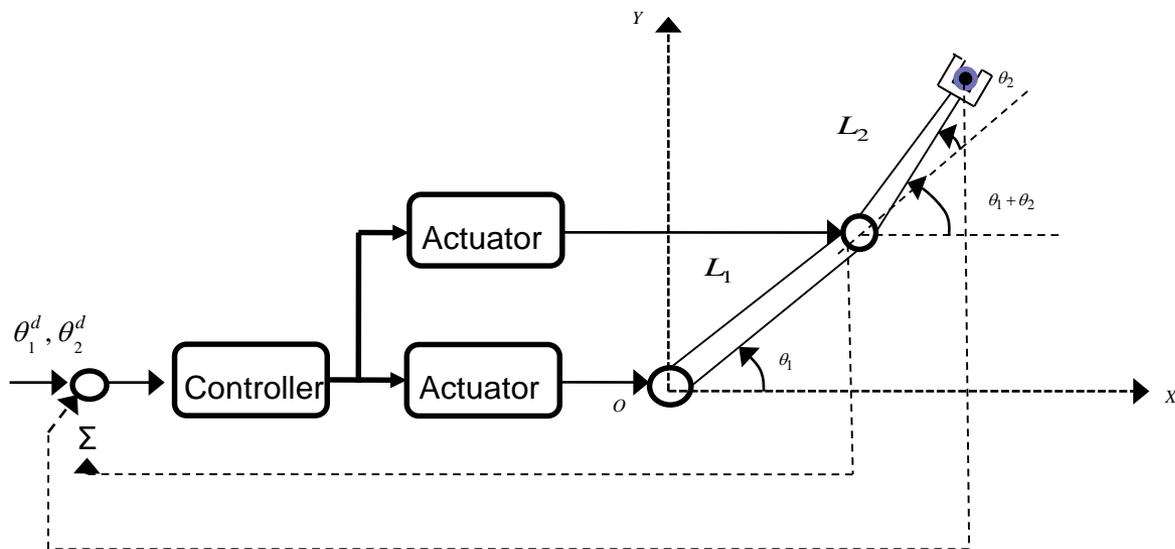
is the Coriolis and centrifugal forces matrix

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} G_1 \\ G_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$$

is the gravitational terms matrix

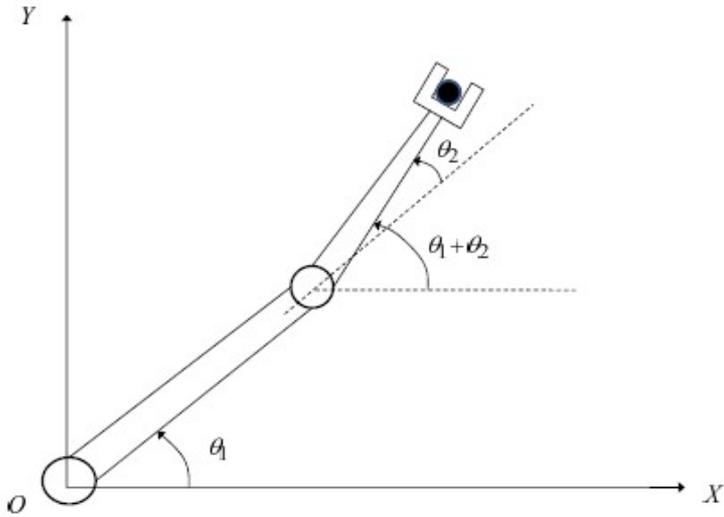
$$T = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$$

is the torques control input matrix



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6.1 The model of multi-DOF robotic manipulators



Defining flat outputs y_1 and y_2 for which holds

$$y = [\theta_1 \quad \theta_2] = [x_1 \quad x_3]$$

$$x_1 = \theta_1 \quad x_2 = \dot{\theta}_1 \quad x_3 = \theta_2 \quad x_4 = \dot{\theta}_2$$

$$f_1(x) = -N_{11}F_1(\theta, \dot{\theta}) - N_{12}F_2(\theta, \dot{\theta}) - N_{11}G_1(\theta) - N_{12}G_2(\theta) \in R^{1 \times 1}$$

$$g_1(x) = [N_{11} \quad N_{12}] \in R^{1 \times 2}$$

$$f_2(x) = -N_{21}F_1(\theta, \dot{\theta}) - N_{22}F_2(\theta, \dot{\theta}) - N_{21}G_1(\theta) - N_{22}G_2(\theta) \in R^{1 \times 1}$$

$$g_2(x) = [N_{21} \quad N_{22}] \in R^{1 \times 2}$$



the following **Brunovsky (canonical form) of the robotic system** is finally obtained

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \\ \dot{x}_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 = f_1(x) + g_{11}(x)u_1 + g_{12}(x)u_2$$

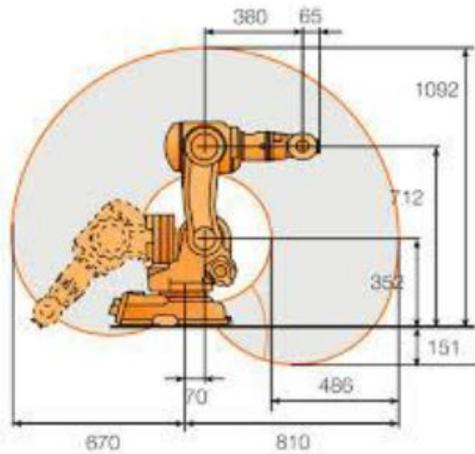
$$v_2 = f_2(x) + g_{21}(x)u_1 + g_{22}(x)u_2$$

$$\ddot{x}_1 = f_1(x) + g_{11}(x)u_1 + g_{12}(x)u_2$$

$$\ddot{x}_3 = f_2(x) + g_{21}(x)u_1 + g_{22}(x)u_2$$

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6.1 The model of multi-DOF robotic manipulators



The **optimization problem** has **multiple objectives**:

- 1) **Minimize the modelling error** of the system's dynamics
- 2) **Minimize the estimation error** for the system's state vector
- 3) **Minimize the tracking error** from the reference setpoints

For the **differentially flat MIMO model of the multi-DOF robotic manipulator** one gets the equivalent state-space model

$$\ddot{x}_1 = f_1(x, t) + g_1(x, t)u + \tilde{d}_1$$

$$\ddot{x}_3 = f_2(x, t) + g_2(x, t)u + \tilde{d}_2$$

- For the multi-DOF robot control scheme differential flatness properties hold and one can apply the control scheme analyzed in Sections 3 and 4.

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6.2 The model of distributed power generators

The **dynamic model of the distributed power generation units** is assumed to be that of synchronous generators. The modelling approach is also applicable to PMSGs (permanent magnet synchronous generators) which are a special case of synchronous electric machines.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\delta} &= \omega \\ \dot{\omega} &= -\frac{D}{2J}(\omega - \omega_0) + \frac{\omega_0}{2J}(P_m - P_e) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

δ :	turn angle of the rotor	P_e :	active electrical power of the machine
ω :	turn speed of the rotor	P_m :	mechanical power of the machine
ω_0 :	synchronous speed	D :	damping coefficient
J :	moment of inertia of the rotor	T_e :	electromagnetic torque

The **generator's electrical dynamics** is:

$$\dot{E}'_q = \frac{1}{T_{d_o}}(E_f - E_q) \quad (2)$$

E'_q is the quadrature-axis transient voltage (a variable related to the magnetic flux)

E_q is quadrature axis voltage of the generator

T_{d_o} is the direct axis open-circuit transient time constant

E_f is the equivalent voltage in the excitation coil



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6.2 The model of distributed power generators

The **synchronous generator's model** is complemented by a set of algebraic equations:

$$E_q = \frac{x_{d\Sigma}}{x'_{d\Sigma}} E'_q - (x_d - x'_d) \frac{V_s}{x'_{d\Sigma}} \cos(\Delta\delta)$$

$$I_q = \frac{V_s}{x'_{d\Sigma}} \sin(\Delta\delta)$$

$$I_d = \frac{E'_q}{x'_{d\Sigma}} - \frac{V_s}{x'_{d\Sigma}} \cos(\Delta\delta)$$

$$P_e = \frac{V_s E'_q}{x'_{d\Sigma}} \sin(\Delta\delta)$$

$$Q_e = \frac{V_s E'_q}{x'_{d\Sigma}} \cos(\Delta\delta) - \frac{V_s^2}{x_{d\Sigma}}$$

$$V_t = \sqrt{(E'_q - X'_d I_d)^2 + (X'_d I_q)^2}$$

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where: $x_{d\Sigma} = x_d + x_T + x_L$ $x'_{d\Sigma} = x'_d + x_T + x_L$

x_d : direct-axis synchronous reactance

x_T : reactance of the transformer

x'_d : direct-axis transient reactance

x_L : transmission line reactance

I_d and I_q : direct and quadrature axis currents

V_s : infinite bus voltage

Q_e : reactive power of the generator

V_t : terminal voltage of the generator

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6.2 The model of distributed power generators

From Eq. (1) and Eq. (2) one obtains the **dynamic model of the synchronous generator**:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\delta} &= \omega - \omega_0 \\ \dot{\omega} &= -\frac{D}{2J}(\omega - \omega_0) + \omega_0 \frac{P_m}{2J} - \omega_0 \frac{1}{2J} \frac{V_s E'_q}{x'_{d\Sigma}} \sin(\Delta\delta) \\ \dot{E}'_q &= -\frac{1}{T'_d} E'_q + \frac{1}{T_{do}} \frac{x_d - x'_d}{x'_{d\Sigma}} V_s \cos(\Delta\delta) + \frac{1}{T_{do}} E_f\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, the generator can be written in a **state-space form**:

$$\dot{x} = f(x) + g(x)u$$

where the state vector is $x = (\Delta\delta \quad \Delta\omega \quad E'_q)^T$ and

$$f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \omega - \omega_0 \\ -\frac{D}{2J}(\omega - \omega_0) + \omega_0 \frac{P_m}{2J} - \omega_0 \frac{1}{2J} \frac{V_s E'_q}{x'_{d\Sigma}} \sin(\Delta\delta) \\ -\frac{1}{T'_d} E'_q + \frac{1}{T_{do}} \frac{x_d - x'_d}{x'_{d\Sigma}} V_s \cos(\Delta\delta) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{T_{do}} \end{pmatrix}^T$$

while the system's output is

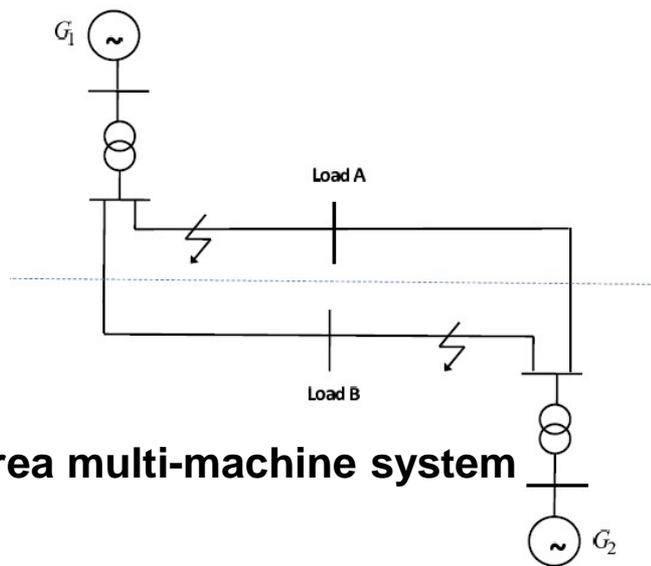
$$y = h(x) = \delta - \delta_0$$



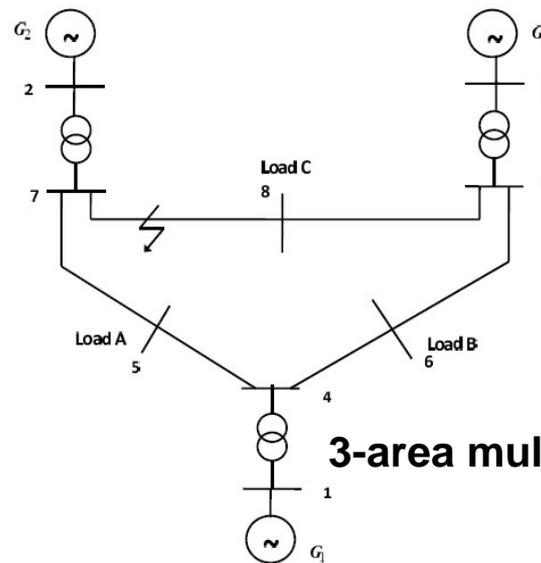
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6.2 The model of distributed power generators

The interconnection between distributed power generators results into a **multi-area multi-machine power system** model



2-area multi-machine system



3-area multi-machine system

The dynamic model of a power system that comprises **n-interconnected power generators** is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\delta}_i &= \omega_i - \omega_0 \\ \dot{\omega}_i &= -\frac{D_i}{2J_i}(\omega_i - \omega_0) + \omega_0 \frac{P_{m_i}}{2J_i} - \\ &\quad -\omega_0 \frac{1}{2J_i} [G_{ii} E'_{qi}{}^2 + E'_{qi} \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n E'_{qj} G_{ij} \sin(\delta_i - \delta_j - \alpha_{ij})] \\ \dot{E}'_{qi} &= -\frac{1}{T'_{di}} E'_{qi} + \frac{1}{T_{do_i}} \frac{x_{d_i} - x_{d_i}}{x_{d_{\Sigma_i}}} V_{s_i} \cos(\Delta\delta_i) + \frac{1}{T_{do_i}} E_{f_i} \end{aligned}$$

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The **active power** associated with the i -th power generator is given by:

$$P_{e_i} = G_{ii} E_{qi}'^2 + E_{qi}' \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n E_{qj}' G_{ij} \sin(\delta_i - \delta_j - \alpha_{ij})$$

The state vector of the distributed power system is given by $x = [x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n]^T$

where $x^i = [x_1^i, x_2^i, x_3^i]^T$ with $x_1^i = \Delta\delta_i$ $x_2^i = \Delta\omega_i$ and $x_3^i = E_{qi}'$ $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Next, **differential flatness** is proven for the model of the **stand-alone synchronous generator**.

In state-space form one has:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -\frac{D}{2J} x_2 + \omega_0 \frac{P_m}{2J} - \frac{\omega_0}{2J} \frac{V_s}{x_{d\Sigma}'} x_3 \sin(x_1) \\ \dot{x}_3 &= -\frac{1}{T_d'} x_3 + \frac{1}{T_{do}'} \frac{x_d - x_d'}{x_{d\Sigma}'} V_s \cos(x_1) + \frac{1}{T_{do}'} u \end{aligned}$$

The **flat output** is taken to be $y = x_1$

It holds that $x_1 = y$ $x_2 = \dot{y}$ and for $x_1 \neq \pm n\pi$,

$$x_3 = \frac{\omega_0 \frac{P_m}{2J} - \ddot{y} - \frac{D}{2J} \dot{y}}{\frac{\omega_0}{2J} \frac{V_s}{x_{d\Sigma}'} \sin(y)}, \text{ or } x_3 = f_a(y, \dot{y}, \ddot{y})$$



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while for the **generator's control input** one has

$$u = T_{do} \left[\dot{x}_3 + \frac{1}{T_d'} x_3 \frac{1}{T_{do}} \frac{x_d - x_d'}{x_{d\Sigma}'} V_s \cos(x_1) \right], \text{ or}$$

$$u = f_b(y, \dot{y}, \ddot{y})$$



Consequently, **all state variables** and the **control input** of the synchronous generator are written as **differential functions** of the flat output and thus the differential flatness of the model is confirmed.

By defining the **new state variables** $y_1 = y, y_2 = \dot{y}, y_3 = \ddot{y}$.

the generator's model is transformed into the **canonical (Brunovsky) form**:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{y}_1 \\ \dot{y}_2 \\ \dot{y}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} v$$

with $v = f_c(y, \dot{y}, \ddot{y}) + g_c(y, \dot{y}, \ddot{y})u$ where

$$f_c(y, \dot{y}, \ddot{y}) = \left(\frac{D}{2J}\right)^2 \dot{y} - \omega_0 \frac{D}{2J} \frac{P_m}{2J} + \omega_0 \frac{D}{(2J)^2} \frac{V_s}{x_{d\Sigma}'} x_3 \sin(\dot{y}) +$$

$$+ \frac{\omega_0}{2J} \frac{V_s}{x_{d\Sigma}'} \frac{1}{T_d'} x_3 \sin(y) - \frac{\omega_0}{2J} \frac{V_s}{x_{d\Sigma}'} \frac{1}{T_{do}} \frac{x_d - x_d'}{x_{d\Sigma}'} V_s \cos(y) \sin(y) -$$

$$- \frac{\omega_0}{2J} \frac{V_s}{x_{d\Sigma}'} x_3 \cos(y) \dot{y}$$

and $g_c(y, \dot{y}, \ddot{y}) = -\frac{\omega_0}{2J} \frac{1}{T_{do}} \frac{V_s}{x_{d\Sigma}'} \sin(y)$



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Differential flatness can be also proven for the **model of the n-interconnected power generators**

The **flat output** is taken to be the vector of the turn angles of the n-power generators

$$\underline{y} = [y_1^1, y_1^2, \dots, y_1^n] \text{ or } \underline{y} = [\Delta\delta^1, \Delta\delta^2, \dots, \Delta\delta^n]$$

For the n-machines power generation system it holds

$$x_1^1 = y_1^1, x_1^2 = y_1^2, x_1^3 = y_1^3, \dots, x_1^n = y_1^n$$

$$x_2^1 = \Delta\omega^1 = \dot{y}_1^1, x_2^2 = \Delta\omega^2 = \dot{y}_1^2, x_2^3 = \Delta\omega^3 = \dot{y}_1^3, \dots, x_2^n = \Delta\omega^n = \dot{y}_1^n$$

Moreover, it holds

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_2^i &= -\frac{D_i}{2J_i} x_2^i + \frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} P_{mi} - \\ &- \frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} [G_{ii} x_3^{i^2} + x_3^i \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n [x_3^j G_{ij} \sin(x_1^i - x_1^j - \alpha_{ij})]] \end{aligned}$$

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or using the flat outputs notation

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{y}_1^i &= -\frac{D_i}{2J_i} \dot{y}_1^i + \frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} P_{mi} - \\ &- \frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} [G_{ii} x_3^{i^2} + x_3^i \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n [x_3^j G_{ij} \sin(y_1^i - y_1^j - \alpha_{ij})]] \end{aligned}$$



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6.2 The model of distributed power generators

The **external mechanical torque** P_{mi} is considered to be a piecewise constant variable

From Eq. (4) and for one $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ has a system of n equations which can be solved with respect to the variables $x_3^i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Actually, all variables x_3^i , can be expressed as **differential functions of the flat outputs**

$$y^i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

and thus one has $x_3^i = f_{x_3}(y^1, y^2, \dots, y^n)$

Moreover, from

$$\dot{E}_{q_i} = -\frac{1}{T_{d_i}} E_{q_i}' + \frac{1}{T_{d_{o_i}}} \frac{x_{d_i} - x_{d_i}'}{x_{d_{\Sigma_i}}} V_{s_i} \cos(\Delta\delta_i) + \frac{1}{T_{d_{o_i}}} E_{f_i}$$

one can demonstrate that the control inputs $u_i = E_{f_i}$ can be expressed as **differential functions of the flat outputs** $y^i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Consequently, all state variables and the control inputs of the distributed power system can be expressed as differential functions of the flat outputs, and **the system is a differentially flat one.**



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Next, the **external mechanical torque** P_{m_i} is considered to be time-varying

The effect of this torque is viewed as a **disturbance** to each power generator

In such a case for a model of $n=2$ interconnected generators one obtains the **input-output linearized dynamics**



$$\dot{z}_3^i = a^i(x) + b_1^i g_1 u_1 + b_2^i g_2 u_2 + \tilde{d}^i \quad \text{where} \quad z_3^i = \delta^i = \omega^i$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} a^i = & \left(\frac{D_i}{2J_i}\right)^2 x_2^i + \frac{D_i \omega_0}{(2J_i)^2} [G_{ii} x_3^i + x_3^i \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n x_3^j G_{ij} \sin(x_1^i - x_1^j - \alpha_{ij})] - \\ & - \frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} [G_{ii} x_3^i + \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n x_3^j G_{ij} \sin(x_1^i - x_1^j - \alpha_{ij})] \left(-\frac{1}{T_{d_i}} x_3^i + \left(\frac{1}{T_{d_{oi}}} \frac{x_{d_i} - x_{d_i}'}{x_{d_{\Sigma_i}}'} V_{s_i} \cos(x_1^i)\right)\right) - \\ & - \frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} x_3^i \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n G_{ij} \sin(x_1^i - x_1^j - \alpha_{ij}) \left(-\frac{1}{T_{d_i}} x_3^i + \left(\frac{1}{T_{d_{oi}}} \frac{x_{d_i} - x_{d_i}'}{x_{d_{\Sigma_i}}'} V_{s_i} \cos(x_1^i)\right)\right) - \\ & - \frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} x_3^i \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n x_3^j G_{ij} \cos(x_1^i - x_1^j - \alpha_{ij}) x_2^i \frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} x_3^i \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n x_3^j G_{ij} \cos(x_1^i - x_1^j - \alpha_{ij}) x_2^j \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} b_1^i &= -\frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} [2G_{ii} x_3^i + \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n x_3^j G_{ij} \sin(x_1^i - x_1^j - \alpha_{ij})] \frac{1}{T_{d_{oi}}} \\ b_2^i &= -\frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} G_{i2} \sin(x_1^i - x_1^2 - \alpha_{i2}) \frac{1}{T_{d_{o2}}} \end{aligned}$$

while

$$\tilde{d}^i = -\frac{D_i \omega_0}{2J_i^2} P_m^i + \frac{\omega_0}{2J_i} \dot{P}_m^i$$



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6.2 The model of distributed power generators

For the **two interconnected generators** ($i=1,2$) one has the linearized dynamics

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{z}_1^i &= z_2^i \\ \dot{z}_2^i &= z_3^i \\ \dot{z}_3^i &= a^i(x) + b_1^i g_1 u_1 + b_2^i g_2 u_2 + \tilde{d}^i\end{aligned}$$

It is used that

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{z}_3^1 &= a^1(x) + b_1^1 g_1 u_1 + b_2^1 g_2 u_2 + \tilde{d}^1 \\ \dot{z}_3^2 &= a^2(x) + b_1^2 g_1 u_1 + b_2^2 g_2 u_2 + \tilde{d}^2\end{aligned}$$

or in matrix form $\dot{z}_3 = f_a(x) + Mu + \tilde{d}$

where $z_3 = [z_3^1, z_3^2]^T$, $u = [u_1, u_2]^T$ and $\tilde{d} = [\tilde{d}_1, \tilde{d}_2]^T$

and $f_a(x) = \begin{pmatrix} a^1(x) \\ a^2(x) \end{pmatrix}$, $M = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^1 g_1 & b_2^1 g_2 \\ b_1^2 g_1 & b_2^2 g_2 \end{pmatrix}$

Setting, $v = f_a(x) + Mu + \tilde{d}$, one obtains

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{z}_1^i \\ \dot{z}_2^i \\ \dot{z}_3^i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_1^i \\ z_2^i \\ z_3^i \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (v^i + \tilde{d}^i)$$



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6.2 The model of distributed power generators

For the model of the 2-area distributed power generation system it holds that

$$\dot{x}_{1,1}^{(3)} = f_1(x, t) + g_1(x, t)u + d_1$$

$$\dot{x}_{1,2}^{(3)} = f_2(x, t) + g_2(x, t)u + d_2$$

By denoting

$$x_1 = x_{1,1}, \quad x_2 = \dot{x}_{1,1}, \quad x_3 = \ddot{x}_{1,1}$$

$$\vdots \quad \ddots$$

$$x_2 = x_{2,1}, \quad x_5 = \dot{x}_{2,1}, \quad x_6 = \ddot{x}_{2,1}$$

the Brunovsky (canonical form) of the distributed power system is obtained

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \\ \dot{x}_4 \\ \dot{x}_5 \\ \dot{x}_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



where

$$v_1 = f_1(x) + g_{11}(x)u_1 + g_{12}(x)u_2$$

$$v_2 = f_2(x) + g_{21}(x)u_1 + g_{22}(x)u_2$$

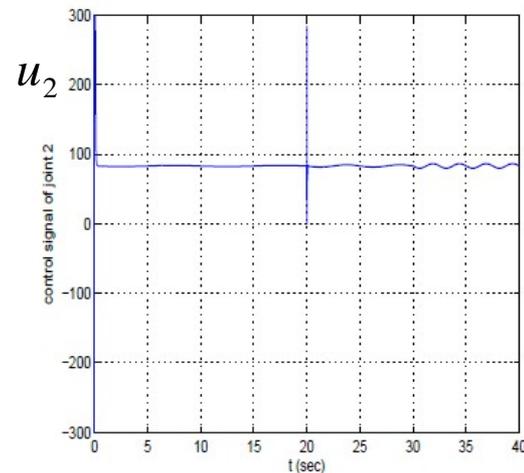
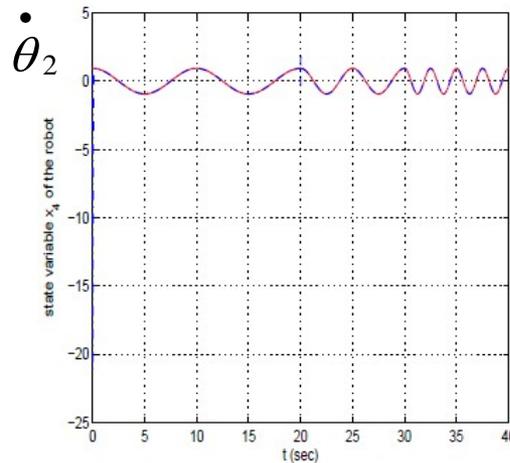
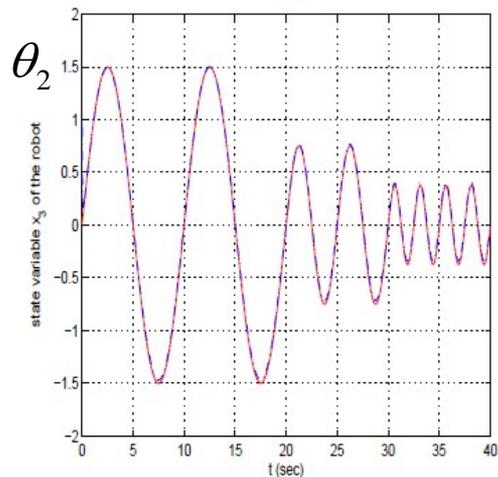
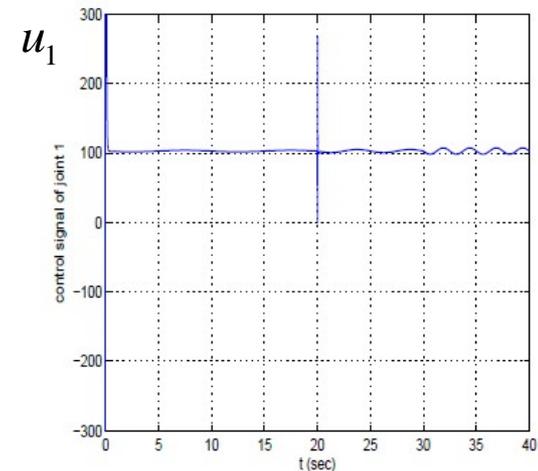
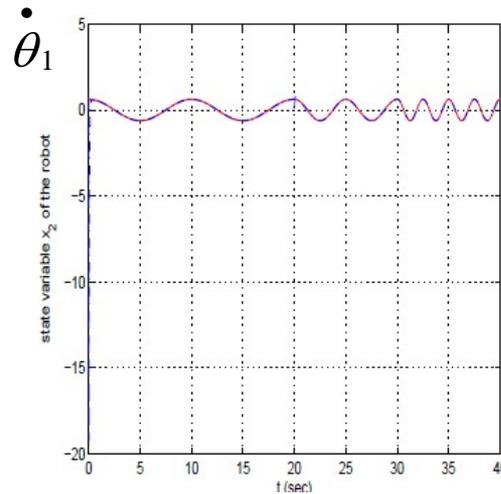
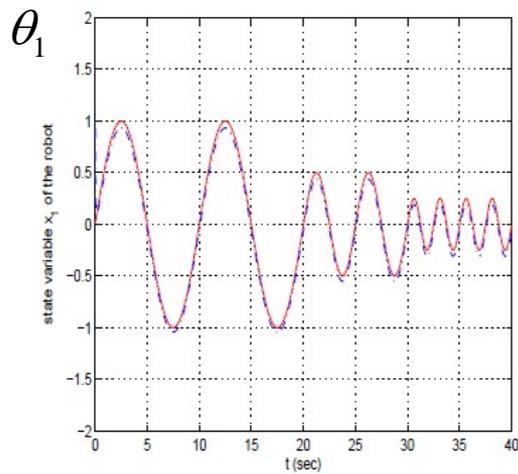
- For the 2-area distributed power system differential flatness properties hold and one can apply the control scheme analyzed in Sections 3 and 4.

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7.1 Optimization-based modelling and control of a multi-DOF robotic manipulator

The dynamic model of the robot was taken to be completely unknown, while the state vector could be partially measured

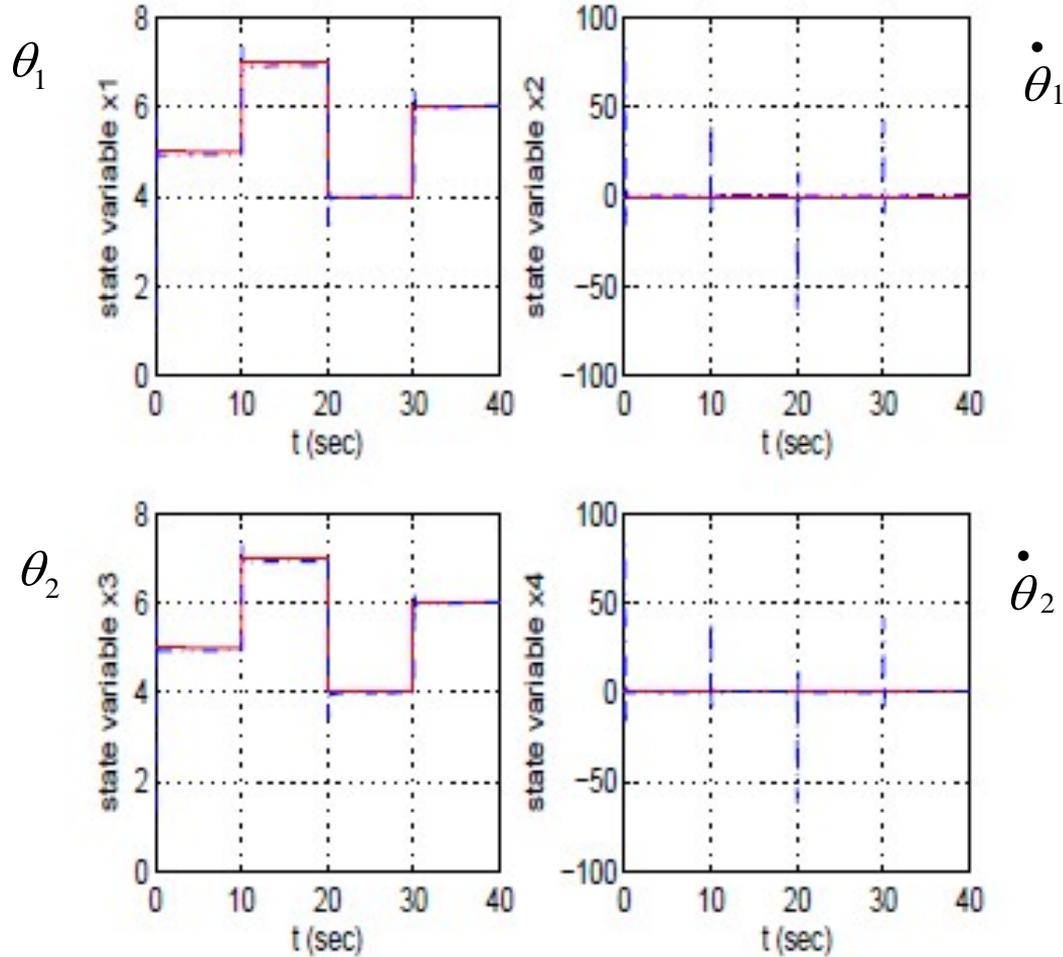
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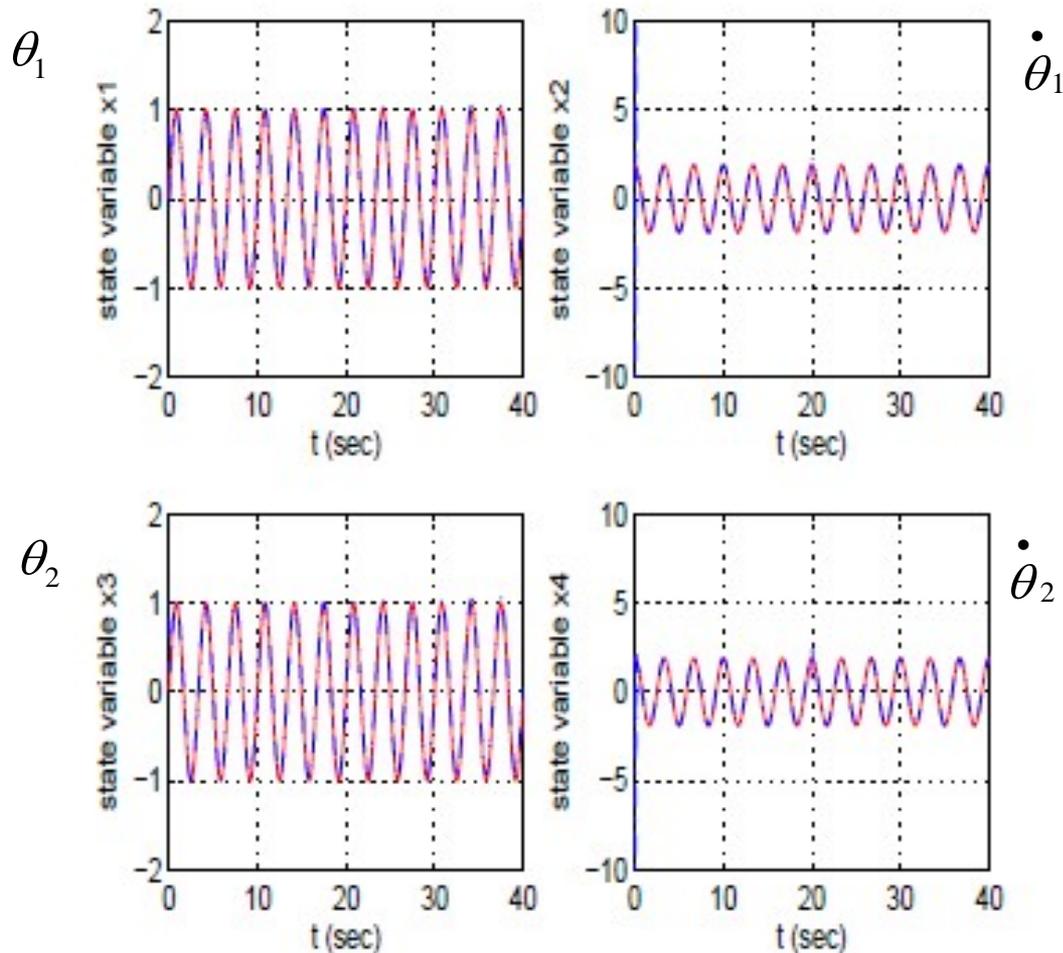
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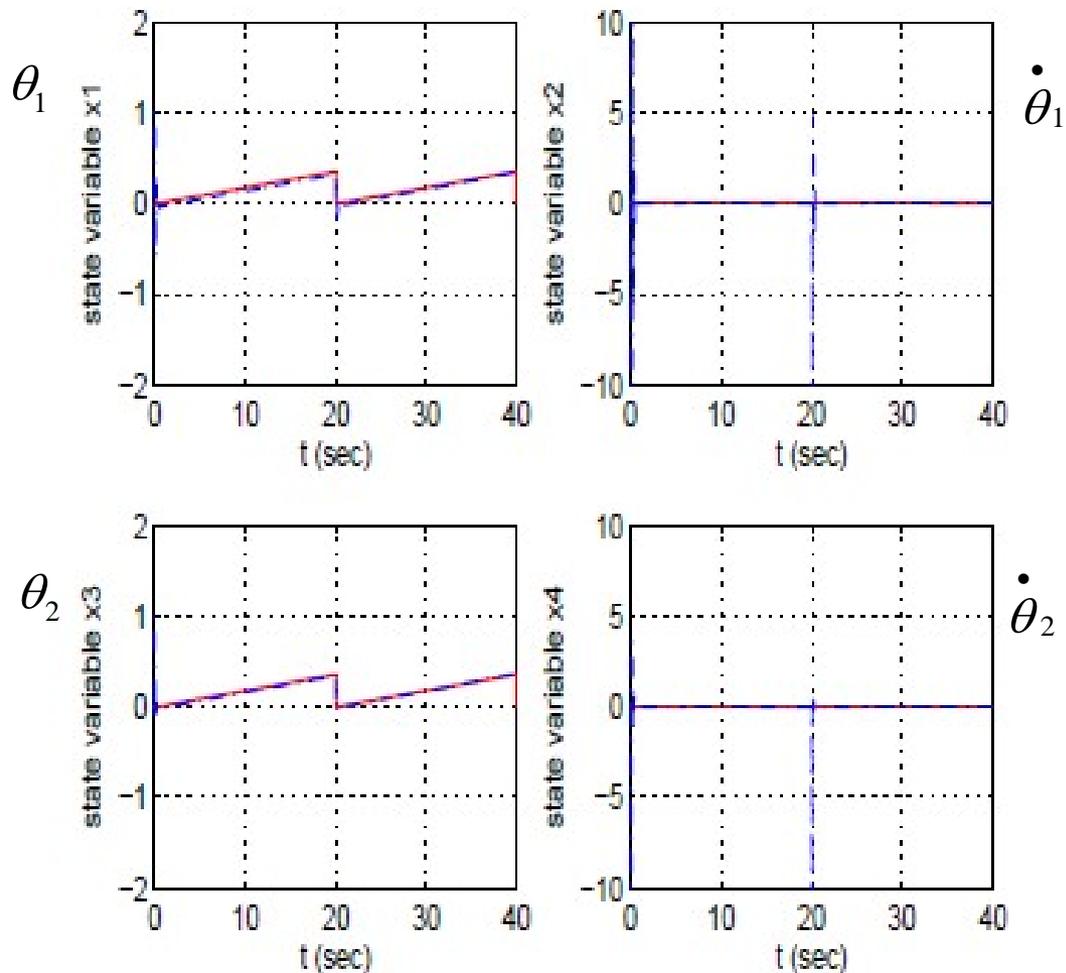
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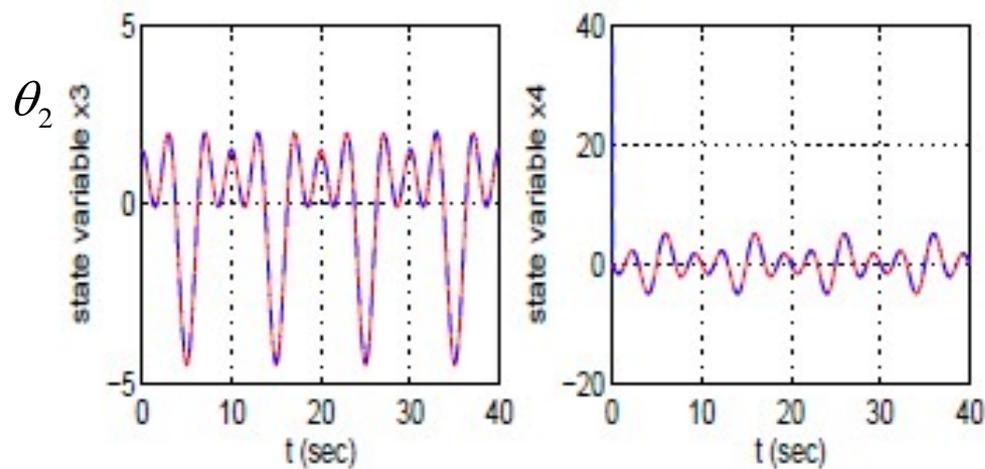
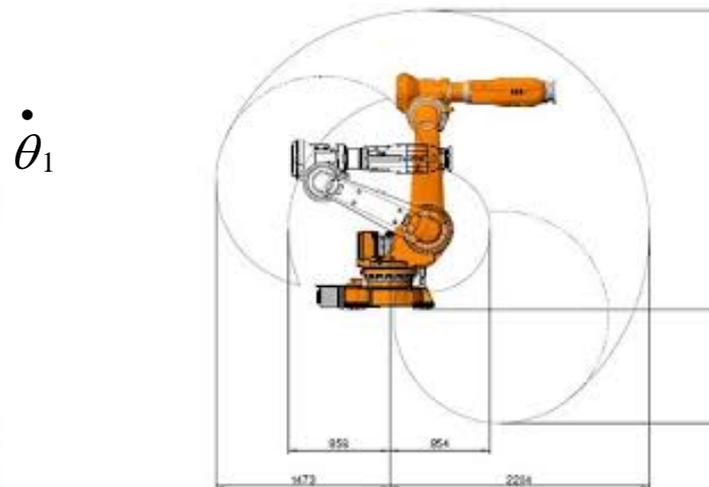
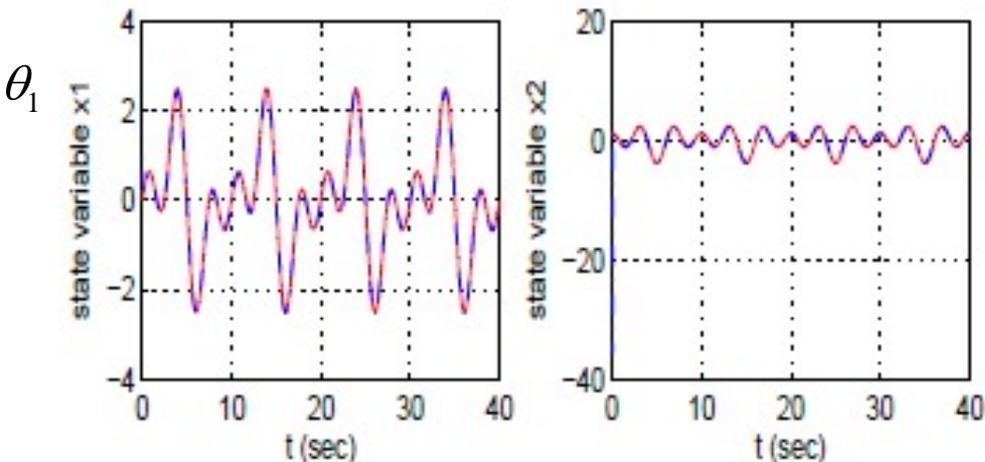
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7. Simulation tests

7.1 Optimization-based modelling and control of a multi-DOF robotic manipulator

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$\dot{\theta}_2$

Table II: RMSE of joints' angles

<i>parameter</i>	θ_1	θ_2
$RMSE_a$	0.0471	0.0449
$RMSE_b$	0.0418	0.0427
$RMSE_c$	0.0495	0.0288
$RMSE_d$	0.0449	0.0472

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7.1 Optimization-based modelling and control of a multi-DOF robotic manipulator video

robotic manipulator
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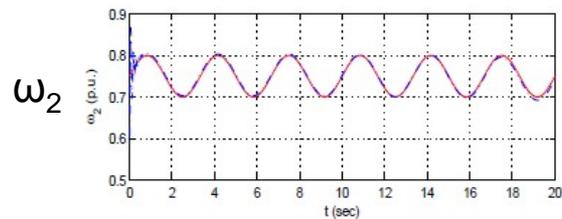
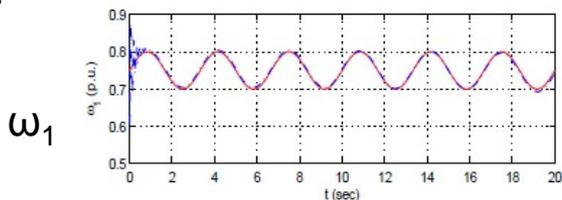


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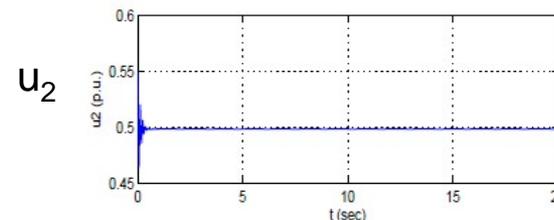
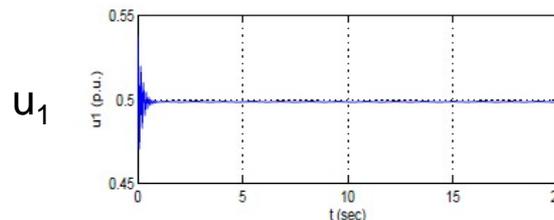
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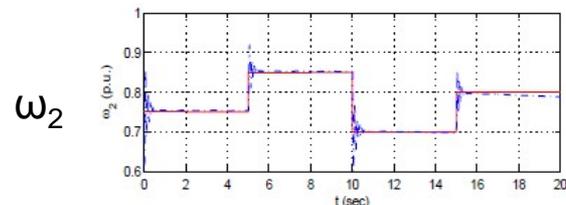
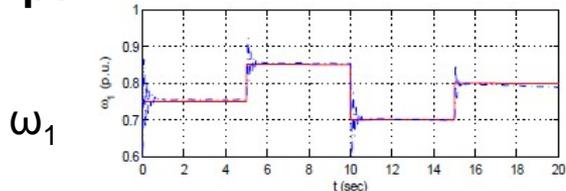
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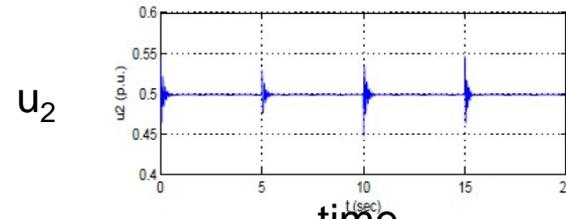
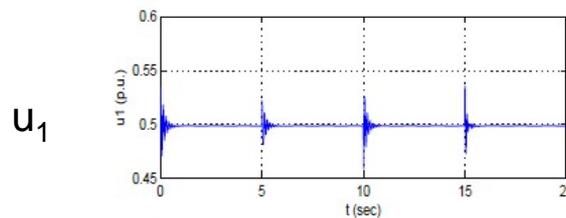
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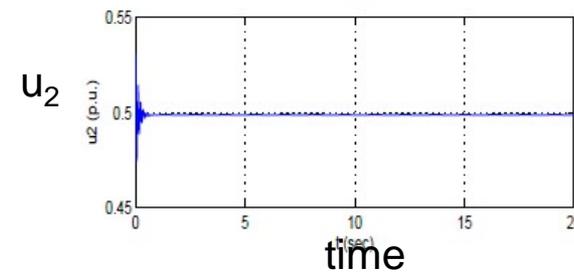
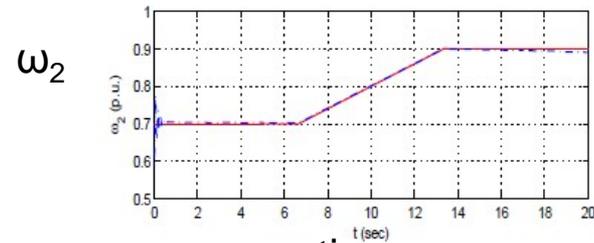
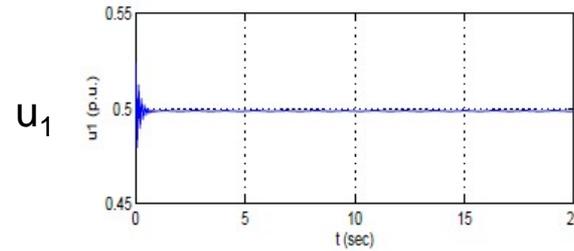
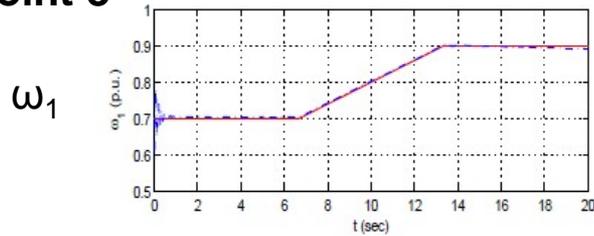
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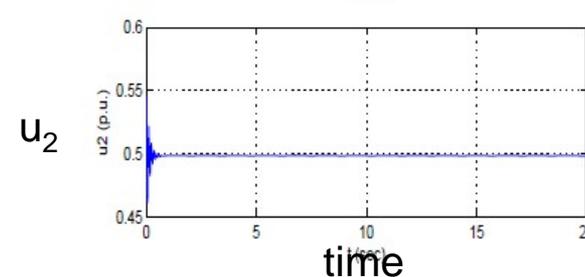
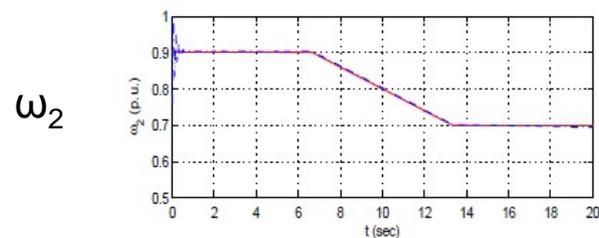
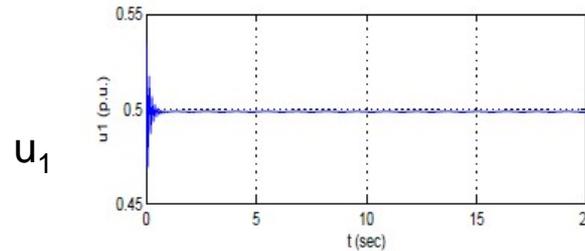
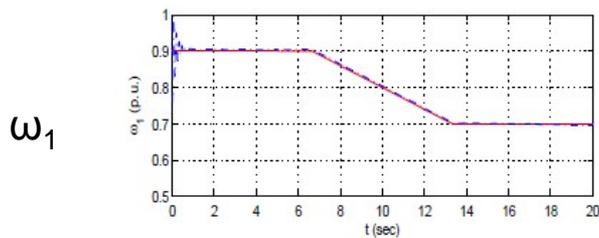
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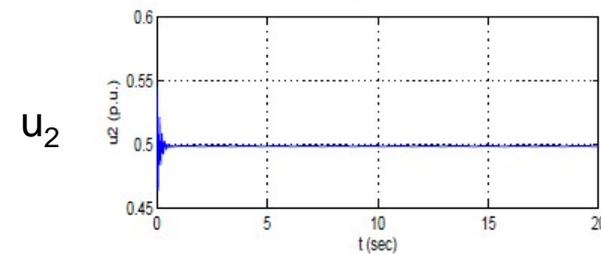
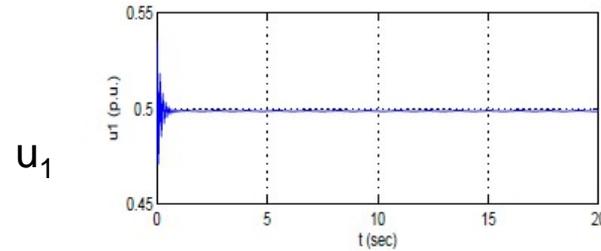
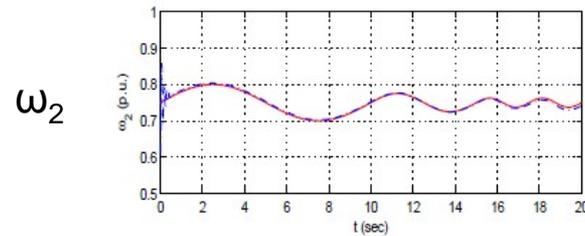
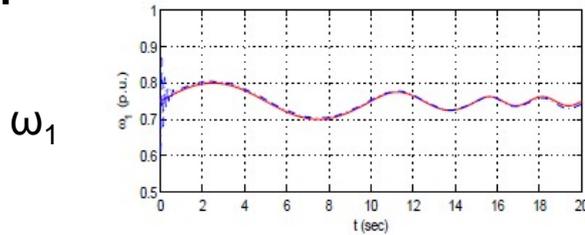
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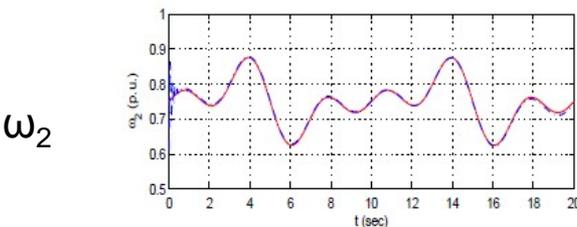
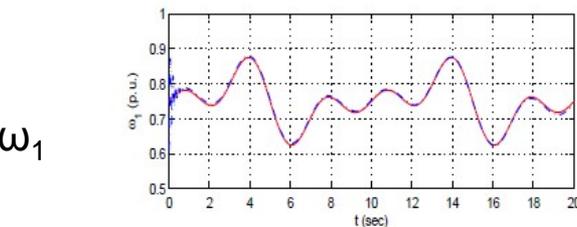
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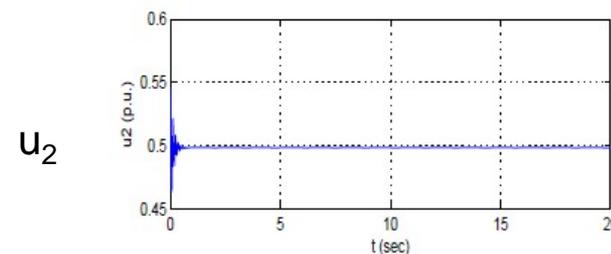
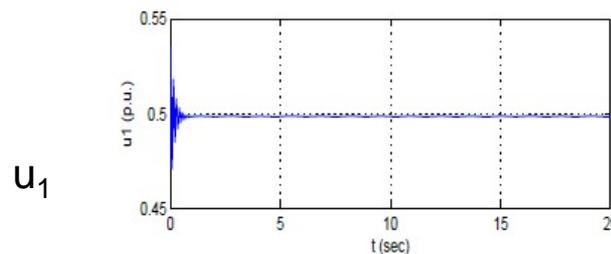
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7. Simulation tests

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Table I: RMSE of the power generator's state variables

<i>parameter</i>	ω_1	$\dot{\omega}_1$	ω_2	$\dot{\omega}_2$
$RMSE_1$	0.0035	0.0002	0.0034	0.0002
$RMSE_2$	0.0123	0.0545	0.0118	0.0602
$RMSE_3$	0.0035	0.0020	0.0035	0.0020
$RMSE_4$	0.0031	0.0020	0.0026	0.0020
$RMSE_5$	0.0034	0.0003	0.0033	0.0002
$RMSE_6$	0.0035	0.0003	0.0033	0.0002



The **tracking accuracy** of the control method was remarkable despite the fact that

- (i) the **dynamic model** of the systems was **completely unknown**,
- (ii) **only output feedback** was used in the implementation of the control scheme.

It has been also confirmed that the transient characteristics of the control scheme are quite satisfactory

The proposed **optimization-based modelling and control method** is of generic use and can be applied to a **wide class of nonlinear dynamical systems** of unknown model

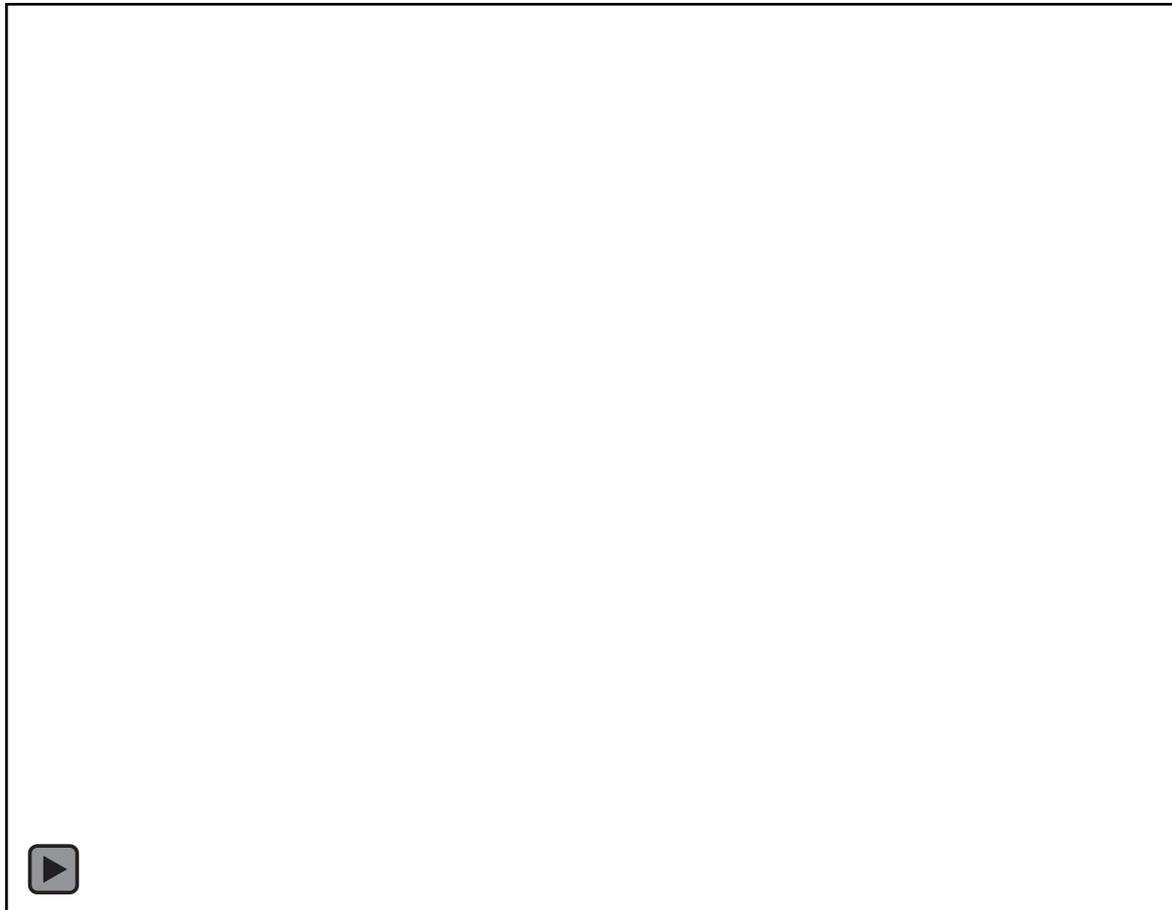


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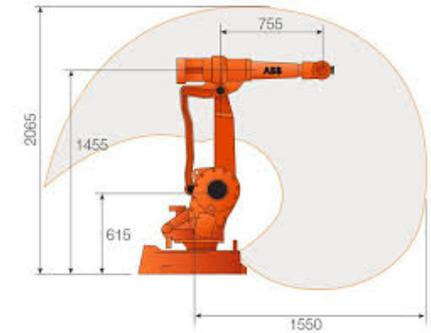
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**synchronization
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8. Conclusions

- A **gradient-based method of assured convergence and stability** has been developed. The method is suitable for **modelling** and optimization-based control in a wide class of nonlinear systems
- By exploiting the **differential flatness** properties of the **MIMO nonlinear model of the dynamical systems** this was transformed into the **linear canonical (Brunovsky) form**. For the latter description the design of a feedback controller was possible.
- Moreover, to cope with **unknown nonlinear terms** appearing in the new control inputs of the transformed state-space description of the systems, the use of nonlinear regressors (neurofuzzy approximators) has been proposed..
- These estimators were online trained to **identify the unknown dynamics of the system** and the associated learning procedure was determined by the requirement the **first derivative of the control loop's Lyapunov function to be a negative one**.
- The computation of the control input required the **solution of two algebraic Riccati equation**.
- Through **Lyapunov stability analysis** it was proven that the closed loop satisfies the **H-infinity tracking performance criterion**, while also an **asymptotic stability condition** has been formulated.



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- Deliverables from related research projects are:

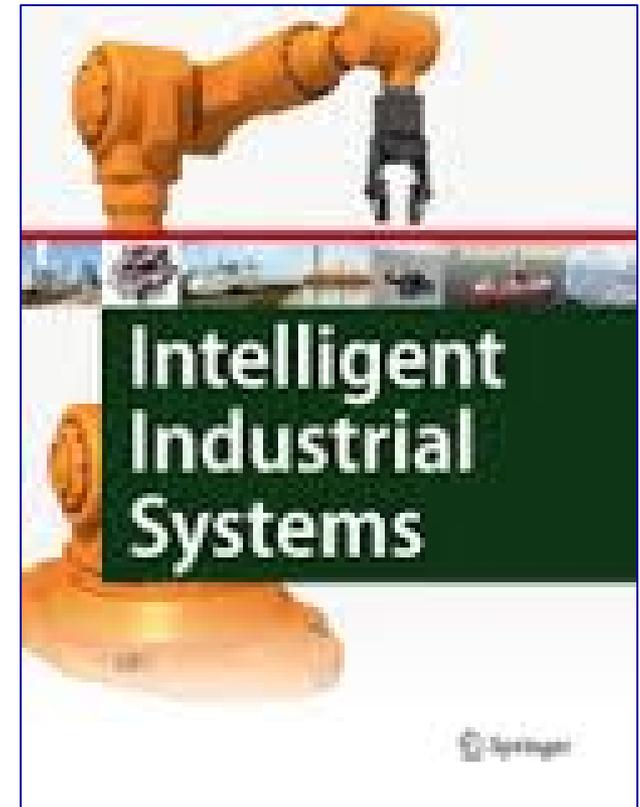
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