# **H-Infinity Control Design**



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## **Background**

The H<sup>∞</sup> algorithm is a powerful control synthesis method that attempts to minimize the infinity norm of the sensitivity transfer function matrix of the closed-loop system. The sensitivity function of a system is the transfer function between the disturbance inputs and some sensitive outputs that should be kept small, such as a spacecraft attitude or an airplane's angle of attack. The infinity norm (H∞) is a measure of amplitude and it is the magnitude of the largest singular value over all frequencies. The H∞ algorithm calculates a control system than minimizes the H<sup>∞</sup> of the system's sensitivity. The mathematical implementation of the H<sup>∞</sup> control synthesis algorithm requires two steps. The designer must first create a Synthesis Model (SM) that consists of 9 matrices including plant dynamics and performance requirements of the closed-loop system. The SM is then presented as input to the  $H_{\infty}$  algorithm that calculates the optimal control solution that will satisfy the design requirements. The algorithm requires the solution of two Riccati equations. In addition to the control requirements, some design intuition is needed in order to set up the synthesis model which is gained through experience.

In the design of a control system the engineer is faced with several requirements that must be satisfied with compromising solutions. The main goal is to design a control system that will provide good stability for the nominal plant. The control system must also behave properly by providing good performance with respect to commands and to external disturbances. That is, good response to commands and sufficient attenuation to disturbance signals. The control system must also be robust to unmodelled dynamics the uncertainty of which increases with frequency. It must, therefore, provide good attenuation at high frequencies in order to prevent uncertain plant dynamics (such as unmodelled flexible modes) from becoming unstable. In addition, the control system must be robust to small variations in plant parameters. In an aircraft, for example, the dynamic model is a function of several uncertain parameters such as the aerodynamic coefficients, the center of gravity, the center of pressure, dynamic pressure, altitude etc. In a spacecraft the uncertainties may be in the structural modes, the center of mass, the moments of inertia, etc. The SM includes all the closed-loop requirements of the system, such as: parameter uncertainties, unmodelled dynamics, environmental disturbance magnitudes, control limits, performance criteria magnitudes etc. The resulting H<sup>∞</sup> controller must satisfy or compromise those design requirements.

The H<sup>∞</sup> program included in Flixan not only solves the H<sup>∞</sup> optimization algorithm but it also includes a utility that helps the designer to create the SM interactively from the plant dynamics. The plant dynamics is a system that is usually created from the vehicle modeling program. The user separates the inputs into controls and disturbances, and the outputs into measurements and performance criteria. After separating them you end up with a SM consisting of 9 matrices that go into the H<sup>∞</sup> algorithm. The SM also includes some gains that define requirements on the disturbances and the performance criteria. They trade between control bandwidth, robustness to noise and un-modeled dynamics, and sensitivity. This documentation of the H<sup>∞</sup> control design program begins with a basic introduction of the H<sup>∞</sup> problem formulation. In chapter 2 we present the standard H<sup>∞</sup> SM and its mathematical solution. In chapter 3 we describe a more general SM formulation that includes direct transfers from inputs to outputs. In chapter 4 we demonstrate how to include parameter uncertainties in the plant using the Internal Feedback Loop (IFL) structure. In chapter 8 we describe the use of the H<sup>∞</sup> program. The references are in chapter 9, and in chapter 10 we demonstrate some control design examples.

### **1.0 Introduction to H<sup>∞</sup> Control System Design.**

One of the great achievements in control theory during the late 1980's was the development of a systematic control design method that minimizes the infinity norm of the sensitivity function, i.e. the transfer function between the input disturbance inputs and the performance criteria outputs to be optimized. The advantage of this procedure is in characterizing the solution of the H<sup>∞</sup> problem in statespace form and solving it by means of two Riccati equations, a solution which is similar to the well-known LQG problem. Some of the contributors of this new theory are: J. Doyle, K. Glover, M. Safonov, P. Khargonekar, B.A. Francis, et. al. Consider the system in Figure 1.1 where G(s) is the plant model and K(s) is the controller, and let us assume that the plant has the State-Space representation of equation 1.1.



**Figure 1.1 H-infinity controller minimizes system response between the disturbances (w) and the criteria (z)**



Where:

- $x$  is the plant state-vector of G(s) of dimension (n)
- $u$  is the control inputs vector, consisting of (I) actuators</u>
- $y$  is the measurements vector (sensors) of dimension (m), measuring a linear combination of the plant's states plus noise.

(1.1)

- $w$  is the external disturbances vector of dimension (I<sub>w</sub>) greater than or equal to the number of measurements ( $I_w \ge m$ ). The vector w consists of both input and output disturbances.
- $\overline{z}$  is the performance criterion vector of dimension (m<sub>z</sub>). It is a set of variables consisting of a combination of states and control inputs that must be optimized by the algorithm, not necessarily actual outputs. It must be greater than or equal to the number of the control inputs,  $(m_2 \geq 1)$ .

The H∞ control problem can be described by the following statement. Find an admissible controller  $K(s)$ such that the infinity norm (i.e. the maximum singular value over the entire frequency range) of the transfer function from w to z in Figure 1.1, is less than a constant value  $(y)$ ,

i.e. 
$$
\|\mathsf{T}_{zw}\|_{\infty} < \gamma
$$
 (1.2)

The first step in the H<sup>∞</sup> design process is to create a mathematical Synthesis Model that includes the basic plant dynamics, definition of disturbances and criteria to be optimized, and description of some uncertain internal plant parameters in order to improve the system's robustness to uncertainties. The H<sup>∞</sup> algorithm then reads the SM and calculates the control system K(s) that closes the loop between measurements and the controls. The success of the control design depends in the proper trade-off between performance of some outputs in response to commands, robustness against uncertainties and sensitivity of some variables to disturbance inputs. This can be adjusted by tweaking some scaling gains in the SM. The gains are always positive. There are input disturbance scaling gains which are initially set equal to the maximum magnitude of the corresponding disturbance input. There are also output criteria scaling gains, where initially each gain is set equal to the inverse of the maximum allowable magnitude of the corresponding output. This scaling normalizes the transfer function requirements between disturbances and criteria to be less than unity. The gains are adjusted after a few control design iterations to produce an acceptable trade-off between control bandwidth, robustness to uncertainties, system sensitivity to external disturbances and acceptable response to input commands. A simple simulation is used to examine the control system performance between gain adjustments.

The mathematical solution of the H<sup>∞</sup> optimization problem is similar to the LQG and it involves the solution of two Riccati equations: a state estimator and a state feedback problem. The two Riccati equations calculate the state feedback matrix F<sup>∞</sup> and the output injection matrix H∞. The H<sup>∞</sup> algorithm solves either the state-feedback with estimator using both Riccati equations or only the state-feedback problem if the entire state vector is measurable. The control law is saved either as a state-space system or as a statefeedback matrix.

In section 2 we will describe the standard H<sup>∞</sup> state-feedback synthesis model and will present an algorithm that asymptotically minimizes the infinity norm of the sensitivity transfer function. The optimization algorithm requires some conditions to be satisfied by the SM which are described in Section 2.1. These conditions are not always satisfied by a general SM and a series of transformations of the original SM are applied in order to convert it to the standard model and satisfy the conditions. The transformations were derived by Safonov et al, in Ref.[2] and they are described in Section 2.2.2. The controller derived from the transformed SM must be back-transformed in order to match the original plant.

## **2.0 H<sup>∞</sup> Control via Full-State Feedback.**

By full-state feedback we mean that the entire state vector is measurable and used for control. In this section we will describe the general formulation of the full state feedback synthesis model and present two solutions. The first solution is simple and it assumes that the matrix  $D_{11}=0$ . The second approach does not have the  $D_{11}=0$  limitation, but it has a more complex solution consisting of three parts, (a) the solution of a simplified standard formulation, (b) the transformation of any general type of synthesis problem into the standard form, (c) the back-transformation of the controller obtained from the transformed system to match the original system.

The H<sup>∞</sup> control problem via full state feedback is formulated by the state-space synthesis model in equation 2.1. The vector  $\underline{w}$  is the disturbance input of dimension (m<sub>1</sub>), vector  $\underline{u}$  is the control input of dimension  $(m<sub>2</sub>)$ , and vector z is the criterion output of dimension (p<sub>1</sub>). The control design problem is to find a constant state-feedback matrix F<sup>∞</sup> that stabilizes the system, and minimizes the closed loop sensitivity transfer function between the disturbance w and the criterion vector  $\underline{z}$ , i.e.  $||T_{zw}||_{\infty} < \gamma$ .



In Section 5 we present a method that transforms a robust control design problem including internal "structured" parameter variations into the formulation of Equation 2.1. This allows us to use full statefeedback H∞ control design and derive controllers that reduce the system's sensitivity to internal parameter uncertainties, such as aero coefficients, etc.

### **2.1 Full State-Feedback Solution Assuming D11 is Zero**

A simplified formulation for solving the full state feedback problem is to assume that the matrix  $D_{11}=0$ , and the following additional conditions must be satisfied:

- (i) The pair  $(A, B<sub>1</sub>)$  is stabilizable
- (ii) The pair  $(C_1, A)$  is detectable
- (iii) The pair  $(A, B_2)$  is stabilizable
- $(iv)$  $D^{T}{}_{12}C_1 = 0$

(v) 
$$
D^{T}_{12}D_{12} = I
$$
 (2.1.1)

The matrix  $C_1$  plays the role of penalizing the criteria outputs  $\underline{z}$ . The matrix  $D_{12}$  penalizes the control inputs u, and it must be of full rank. If D<sup>T</sup><sub>12</sub>D<sub>12</sub> ≠I, but D<sub>12</sub> is full rank we can scale the input by factoring D<sub>12</sub> using singular value decomposition

$$
D_{12} = U_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \Sigma_1 \end{bmatrix} V_1^T
$$
 (2.1.2)

By inserting  $V_1 \Sigma^{-1}$  in series with the control signal (u), the new  $D_{12}$  matrix becomes

$$
\hat{D}_{12} = D_{12} V_1 \Sigma_1^{-1} = U_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I \end{bmatrix}; \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{D}_{12}^T \hat{D}_{12} = I \tag{2.1.3}
$$

Define a matrix R as follows

$$
R^{-1} = V_1 \Sigma_1^{-2} V_1^T \qquad \text{then} \qquad D_{12}^T D_{12} = R \qquad (2.1.4)
$$

The scaled H<sup>∞</sup> solution for the full state feedback is

$$
X_{\infty} = Ric \begin{bmatrix} A & \left( \frac{B_1 B_1^T}{\gamma^2} - B_2 R^{-1} B_2^T \right) \\ -C_1^T C_1 & -A^T \end{bmatrix}
$$
 (2.1.5)

The state-feedback controller matrix F∞ that satisfies  $||T_{zw}||_{\infty}$  < $\gamma$  is:

$$
F_{\infty} = -R^{-1} B_2^T X_{\infty}
$$
 (2.1.6)

## **2.2 Full-State Feedback Solution for Non-Zero D11**

A more general solution of the full state feedback problem is presented here, assuming that matrix  $D_{11}$  is non zero. The solution is more complex and it consists of three parts:

- (a) A solution based on the "Standard Synthesis Model", which assumes that the matrices  $D_{11}$  and  $D_{12}$ have certain structure
- (b) The general design problem is transformed into the standard SM form, in order to apply the solution of the standard model and to obtain an  $H_{\infty}$  controller for the transformed SM, and
- (c) The H<sup>∞</sup> controller is back-transformed using a reverse transformation to match the original model.

#### **2.2.1 Full-State Feedback H<sup>∞</sup> Solution for the Standard Problem**

Consider the SM formulation of Equation 2.1, and assume the following:

- (i) The pair  $(A, B_2)$  is stabilizable.<br>(ii)  $D_{12} = [0, 1]^T$ , and  $D_{11} = 0$
- (ii)  $D_{12} = [0, 1]^T$ , and  $D_{11} = 0$

Define the following Hamiltonian matrix, solve a Riccati equation for X∞, and obtain the state-feedback matrix F<sup>∞</sup> for the standard model.

$$
X_{\infty} = Ric \begin{bmatrix} A - B_2 D_{12}^T C_1 & \frac{B_1 B_1^T}{\gamma^2} - B_2 B_2^T \\ -C_1^T (I - D_{12} D_{12}^T) C_1 & -(A - B_2 D_{12}^T C_1)^T \end{bmatrix}
$$
  
\n
$$
F_{\infty} = -\left(B_2^T X_{\infty} + D_{12}^T C_1\right)
$$
\n(2.1.7)

There exists an internally stabilizing controller such that  $||T_{zw}|| \sim \gamma$  if and only if the following two conditions are satisfied:

- (a) The Hamiltonian must have no pure imaginary eigenvalues, which means that  $X_{\infty}$  exists.<br>(b) The solution of the Riccati Equation, matrix  $X_{\infty}$  must be positive semidefinite,  $X_{\infty} \ge 0$ .
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#### **2.2.2 Synthesis Model Transformations**

However, it is not always possible to satisfy the assumptions of the standard model:  $D_{12}=[0, 1]^T$  and  $D_{11}=0$ . We shall therefore present a procedure that is based on scaling and unimodular transformations by Safonov, to design a full state feedback gain matrix for the generic SM described in equation 2.1, and not limited by the above two assumptions. The generic SM is transformed to the standard form. The standard SM is used to design a preliminary H∞ controller, and the controller is back-transformed to match the original plant.

#### **Step-1, Scale Matrix D12**

First perform the singular value decomposition of the ( $p_1 \times m_2$ ) matrix  $D_{12}$  as shown in equation (2.2.1), where  $U_1$  has (m<sub>2</sub>) columns, and  $U_2$  has (p<sub>1</sub>-m<sub>2</sub>) columns.

$$
D_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} U_1 & U_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T
$$
 (2.2.1)

Then define new scaled input  $u^{(1)}$  and output  $z^{(1)}$  defined as follows:

$$
u = S_u^{(1)} u^{(1)} = V \Sigma^{-1} u^{(1)}
$$
  
\n
$$
z^{(1)} = S_z^{(1)} z = \begin{bmatrix} U_z^T \\ U_1^T \end{bmatrix} z \text{ , and } w^{(1)} = w
$$
 (2.2.2)

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Substituting Equations 2.2.2 to Equations 2.1 we obtain the following modified state-space equations:

$$
\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ z^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A^{(1)} & B_1^{(1)} & B_2^{(1)} \\ C_1^{(1)} & D_{11}^{(1)} & D_{12}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w^{(1)} \\ u^{(1)} \end{bmatrix}
$$

where:

$$
A^{(1)} = A
$$
  
\n
$$
B_1^{(1)} = B_1
$$
  
\n
$$
B_2^{(1)} = B_2 S_u^{(1)}
$$
  
\n
$$
C_1^{(1)} = S_z^{(1)} C_1
$$
  
\n
$$
D_{11}^{(1)} = S_z^{(1)} D_{11}
$$
  
\n
$$
D_{12}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I \end{bmatrix}
$$
  
\n(2.2.3)

### Step-2, Scale the (p<sub>1</sub> **x** m<sub>1</sub>) Matrix D<sub>11</sub>

Using the following unimodular transformation

$$
\begin{pmatrix} z^{(1)} \ w^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1^{-1/2} & X_1^{-1/2} D_{11}^{(1)} \\ (D_{11}^{(1)})^T X_1^{-1/2} & X_2^{-1/2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z^{(2)} \\ w^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where}
$$
  

$$
X_1 = I - D_{11}^{(1)} (D_{11}^{(1)})^T \quad \text{and} \quad X_2 = I - (D_{11}^{(1)})^T D_{11}^{(1)}
$$

Assuming that  $u^{(2)} = u^{(1)}$  we obtain the following set of state-space equations where the matrix  $D_{11}$  is now zero.

$$
\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ z^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A^{(2)} & B_1^{(2)} & B_2^{(2)} \\ C_1^{(2)} & D_{11}^{(2)} & D_{12}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w^{(2)} \\ u^{(2)} \end{bmatrix}
$$

where:

$$
A^{(2)} = A^{(1)} + B_1^{(1)} (D_{11}^{(1)})^T X_1^{-1} C_1^{(1)} \t B_1^{(2)} = B_1^{(1)} X_2^{-1/2} \t D_{11}^{(2)} = 0
$$
  

$$
B_2^{(2)} = B_2^{(1)} + B_1^{(1)} (D_{11}^{(1)})^T X_1^{-1} D_{12}^{(1)} \t C_1^{(1)} = X_1^{-1/2} C_1^{(1)} \t D_{12}^{(2)} = X_1^{-1/2} D_{12}^{(1)}
$$

## Step-3, Repeat Step-1 and Rescale Matrix D<sub>12</sub><sup>(2)</sup>

Perform the singular value decomposition of the ( $p_1 x m_2$ ) matrix  $D_{12}^{(2)}$  as in step-1

$$
D_{12}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} U_1 & U_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T
$$
 (2.2.9)

Where: U<sub>1</sub> has (m<sub>2</sub>) columns, and U<sub>2</sub> has (p<sub>1</sub>-m<sub>2</sub>) columns. Notice, the matrices U<sub>1</sub>, U<sub>2</sub>,  $\Sigma$ , and V are different from those in step-1.

Then define new scaled input  $u^{(3)}$  and scaled output  $z^{(3)}$  defined as follows:

$$
u^{(2)} = S_u^{(3)} u^{(3)} = V \Sigma^{-1} u^{(3)}
$$
  

$$
z^{(3)} = S_z^{(3)} z^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} U_2^T \\ U_1^T \end{bmatrix} z^{(2)}, and w^{(3)} = w^{(2)}
$$
 (2.2.10)

Substituting Equations 2.2.10 to Equations 2.2.7 we obtain the following synthesis model modifications.

$$
\begin{pmatrix}\n\dot{x} \\
z^{(3)}\n\end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}\nA^{(3)} & B_1^{(3)} & B_2^{(3)} \\
C_1^{(3)} & D_1^{(3)} & D_1^{(3)}\n\end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix}\nx \\
w^{(3)}\n\end{bmatrix}
$$
\nwhere:  
\n
$$
A^{(3)} = A^{(2)} \qquad B_1^{(3)} = B_1^{(2)} \qquad B_2^{(3)} = B_2^{(2)} S_u^{(3)}
$$
\n
$$
C_1^{(3)} = S_z^{(3)} C_1^{(2)} \qquad D_{11}^{(3)} = S_z^{(3)} D_{11}^{(2)} = 0 \qquad D_{12}^{(3)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I \end{bmatrix}
$$
\n(2.2.12)

#### **Step-4: Determine the State Feedback Matrix F<sup>∞</sup>**

The transformed system, described in Equations 2.2.12, is now in the standard form that satisfies conditions (i) and (ii) in section (2.2.1), and the standard solution of Equations 2.1.7 can be used to calculate the state feedback gain matrix  $F_{\infty}^{(3)}$  for the transformed system. The state feedback gain matrix  $F_{\infty}$ for the original system of Equations (2.1) can be obtained by back-transforming the controller as follows:

$$
F_{\infty} = S_u^{(1)} S_u^{(3)} F_{\infty}^{(3)} \text{ since: } u = S_u^{(1)} S_u^{(3)} u^{(3)} = S_u^{(1)} S_u^{(3)} F_{\infty}^{(3)} x \tag{2.2.13}
$$

#### **3.0 H<sup>∞</sup> Control Design Using Output Feedback**

In Section 2 we assumed that the plant's state vector x is directly measurable and the resulting controller is not dynamic but a state-feedback gain matrix. We will now formulate the output feedback H∞ problem. In this case the input to the control system comes from the plant's output measurements  $(y_m)$  which is a linear combination of the states. A state estimator is therefore needed to estimate the state vector from the measurements. The controller is a system consisting of a state estimator and a state-feedback gain matrix. They are combined together in a dynamic multivariable controller. The design of the H∞ controller/ estimator is defined by the Synthesis Model which in general it includes plant dynamics, parameter uncertainties, disturbance inputs, criteria outputs, and gains that trad performance against robustness.

# **3.1 H<sup>∞</sup> Synthesis Model (SM)**

The original quadruple matrix system of a vehicle alone that consists of inputs, states and outputs is not sufficient for H∞ design. The H∞ method requires more variables and parameters in order to refine the optimization. The SM is a state-space system consisting of 9 matrices which captures the plant dynamics and the control system performance requirements that will be traded by the optimization algorithm. The SM in general includes: control inputs ( $u<sub>c</sub>$ ), commands to regulated outputs, exogenous disturbance inputs (w), measurements ( $y_m$ ), measurement noise, and criteria outputs to be optimized (z). It may also include parameter uncertainties which are described with additional input-output pairs ( $w_p$ ,  $z_p$ ). The disturbance inputs and the criteria outputs are scaled by gains which affect the control system bandwidth. Equation 3.1 shows a typical synthesis model representation for output feedback control.



#### Where:

- $x$  is the (n) state-vector of the design plant
- $u<sub>c</sub>$  is the control input vector, size (I)</u>
- $y_m$  is the measurements vector of size (m)
- $\underline{w}$  is the disturbances vector at the plant input and output w=[w<sub>i</sub>, w<sub>o</sub>]
- z is the criterion vector including criteria on the control inputs  $z=[z_0, z_1]$

The disturbance input (w) consists of disturbances at the plant input and also at the measurements. It may also include commands of regulated outputs, and inputs from structured uncertainties. It includes two parts: (a) an exogenous input disturbance vector  $w_i$  of dimension ( $l_w$ ) that excites the states, and (b) an output disturbance  $w_0$  of dimension (m) that represents sensor noise or used to model uncertainty in the measurement. It defines how disturbances enter the plant at the inputs and at the sensors.

Similarly, the criterion output vector (z) consists of variables that must be optimized by the H<sup>∞</sup> algorithm. It also consists of two parts: (a) the criterion  $z_0$  of dimension ( $m_z$ ) that is a linear combination of the states, and (b) the criterion  $(z_i)$  of dimension (I) that penalizes the control inputs ( $u_c$ ). The structured uncertainties create additional fictitious inputs in (w<sub>i</sub>) and in the outputs (z<sub>o</sub>). One input/ output pair per uncertainty.

Some of the matrices in the SM are extracted from the plant dynamics, while others are design parameters which are defined by the control designer. The matrices that are part of the plant dynamics are: the statetransition matrix A, the control input matrix  $B_2$ , the input disturbance matrix  $B_1$ , and the measurements output matrix  $C_2$ . The matrices  $C_1$ ,  $D_{12}$ , and  $D_{21}$  are not necessarily part of the physical plant. They are design parameters used to trade system robustness versus performance. Matrix  $C_1$  defines a set of criteria variables in the H∞ optimization. Matrix  $D_{12}$  penalizes the control inputs and it is used to adjust the closed loop system bandwidth. Matrix  $D_{21}$  defines the effects of measurement noise, uncertain dynamics, or sensor noise in the measurements. The size of the matrix D12 is (lxl), and matrix D21 is (mxm). They must be square, full rank and diagonal for meaningful results.

## **3.2 Standard Output Feedback H<sup>∞</sup> Synthesis Model**

Equation 3.1 represents the formulation of a generic SM and the H<sup>∞</sup> algorithm is expected to minimize the infinity norm of the sensitivity transfer function between the disturbance inputs (w) and the output criteria (z). However, this formulation is not easily solved directly. We have a solution for the standard H<sup>∞</sup> SM and in order to solve equations 3.1 we must first transform it to the "Standard Form" for which there is a simple H<sup>∞</sup> solution, and then back-transform the controller. The "Standard" H<sup>∞</sup> solution requires the following 5 conditions to be satisfied by the SM.

- (i) The pairs  $(A, B_1)$  and  $(A, B_2)$  be stabilizable.
- (ii) The pairs  $(C_1, A)$  and  $(C_2, A)$  be detectable.
- (iii) The matrix product  $(D_{12}^T D_{12})=I_1$
- (iv) The matrix product  $(D_{21} D_{21}^T) = I_m$
- (v) The matrices  $D_{11}=0$  and  $D_{22}=0$

Condition (iii) implies that the number of output criteria (z) must be greater than or equal to the number (l) of controls  $u_c$ . Condition (iv) implies that the number of disturbances (w) must be greater than or equal to the number (m) of the measurements  $y_m$ . The conditions (iii) to (v), however, are not easily satisfied without a transformation on the SM. This transformation, by Safonov in Ref[4], is performed by a series of scaling and loop shifting operations that transform the generic H∞ SM structure to the standard form of equations 3.1. The resulting controller must be back-transformed in order to be used with the original plant. In Section 3.3 we present the mathematical solution for the Standard H-infinity Problem.



**Figure 3.1 Standard Synthesis Model for Output Feedback H-Infinity Control Design**

#### **3.3 Solution for the Standard H<sup>∞</sup> Output Feedback Problem**

This H<sup>∞</sup> solution requires a standard Synthesis Model of the form shown in Figure 3.1 and satisfies the conditions in Section 3.2 where the matrices D<sub>11</sub> and D<sub>22</sub> are zero and the matrices (D<sub>12</sub><sup>T</sup>D<sub>12</sub>) and (D<sub>21</sub>D<sub>21</sub><sup>T</sup>) are the identity matrices. The algorithm executes the following steps:

**Step-1**: Define a Hamiltonian matrix for the state-feedback controller, solve a Riccati equation for X<sup>∞</sup> and obtain the state-feedback matrix F∞, as follows:

$$
X_{\infty} = Ric \begin{bmatrix} A - B_2 D_{12}^T C_1 & \frac{B_1 B_1^T}{\gamma^2} - B_2 B_2^T \\ -\tilde{C}_1^T \tilde{C}_1 & -(A - B_2 D_{12}^T C_1)^T \end{bmatrix} \text{ where}
$$
  

$$
\tilde{C}_1 = (I - D_{12} D_{12}^T) C_1 \text{ and } F_{\infty} = -(B_2^T X_{\infty} + D_{12}^T C_1)
$$

The following two conditions must be satisfied:

- 1) The Hamiltonian must have no pure imaginary eigenvalues, which means that X<sup>∞</sup> exists.
- 2) The solution of the Riccati Equation, matrix X∞ must be positive semidefinite, X∞>0.

**Step-2**: Define a second Hamiltonian matrix for the estimator, solve a Riccati equation for Y∞, and obtain the output injection matrix H<sup>∞</sup>

$$
Y_{\infty} = Ric \begin{bmatrix} \left( A - B_1 D_{21}^T C_2 \right)^T & \frac{C_1^T C_1}{\gamma^2} - C_2^T C_2 \\ -\widetilde{B}_1 \widetilde{B}_1^T & -\left( A - B_1 D_{21}^T C_2 \right) \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \n\widetilde{B}_1 = B_1 \left( I - D_{21}^T D_{21} \right), \quad H_{\infty} = -\left( Y_{\infty} C_2^T + B_1 D_{21}^T \right), \nZ = \left( I - \gamma^{-2} Y_{\infty} X_{\infty} \right)^{-1}
$$

The following two conditions must be satisfied:

- 1) The Hamiltonian must have no pure imaginary eigenvalues, which means that Y<sup>∞</sup> exists.
- 2) The solution of the Riccati Equation matrix Y∞ must be positive semidefinite, Y∞>0.

**Step-3**: Calculate the spectral radius ρ, which is the magnitude of the largest eigenvalue of the product (X∞Y∞). We must now find the smallest value of a parameter γ that satisfies the condition:  $||T_{\tau w}||$  < γ ; where  $T_{zw}$  is the transfer function between the disturbances (w) to the criteria (z). We iterate the parameter γ beginning with large values and try to satisfy the three conditions below. We gradually reduce γ until one of the three conditions below is violated, in which case we accept the smallest that doesn't violate the 3 conditions.

- a)  $\rho(X_{\infty}Y_{\infty}) < \gamma^2$  (3.3.3)
- b) The matrices X<sup>∞</sup> and Y<sup>∞</sup> from the Riccati Equations must be positive semi-definite, i.e. X∞≥0 and Y∞≥0.
- c) The Hamiltonian matrices X<sup>∞</sup> and Y<sup>∞</sup> must have no imaginary eigenvalues.

If the above conditions are satisfied by a value of  $\gamma$ , then we can assume that the condition  $||T_{xw}||_{\infty} < \gamma$  will also be satisfied. If one of the above conditions is violated, we must increase γ and repeat the procedure.

**Step-4**: When γ is large enough to satisfy the above 3 conditions and yet small enough to produce a satisfactory sensitivity  $||T_{\nu w}||_{\infty}$  then we can calculate the following matrix Z∞.

$$
Z_{\infty} = \left(I - \gamma^{-2} Y_{\infty} X_{\infty}\right)^{-1}
$$
\n(3.3.4)

There is a family of stabilizing controllers that satisfy the sensitivity condition for "nominal performance"  $||T_{\text{av}}||_{\infty} < \gamma$ . The general form of the controller K(s) can be expressed in state-space form, as shown in Equation 3.3.5 and Figure 3.3.6. The controller consists of two parts, and it can be written as  $K(s)$ = F<sub>i</sub>(J,Q). Q(s) can be any given stable transfer function that satisfies the condition  $\|Q\|_{\infty} < \gamma$ . J(s) is a two-vector input, two vector output transfer function matrix. The presence of Q(s) in the controller is optional. In fact, Q(s)=0 may be sufficient. Q(s) is defined by the following matrix equation

$$
y_l(s) = Q(s)u_m(s)
$$

Where: the dimension of vector  $u_m$  is equal to the number of measurements (m), and the dimension of vector y<sub>l</sub> is equal to the number of the control inputs (I). Note that as  $\gamma$  increases to infinity the solution of the H∞ control problem becomes identical to the LQG problem.

The H<sup>∞</sup> controller solution that stabilizes the standard synthesis model of Figure 3.1 and satisfies the specified sensitivity requirements is described by the state-space equations 3.3.5. All of the parameters are derived from the SM.

$$
\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_{c} \\ u_{2}^{(3)} \\ u_{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{C} & -Z_{\infty}H_{\infty} & Z_{\infty}B_{3} \\ F_{\infty} & 0 & I \\ -C_{3} & I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{c} \\ y_{2}^{(3)} \\ y_{3} \end{bmatrix}
$$
  
\nwhere  
\n
$$
A_{C} = A + B_{2}F + \gamma^{-2}B_{1}B_{1}^{T}X_{\infty} + Z_{\infty}H_{\infty}(C_{2} + \gamma^{-2}D_{21}B_{1}^{T}X_{\infty})
$$
  
\n
$$
B_{3} = B_{2} + \gamma^{-2}Y_{\infty}C_{1}^{T}D_{12} \qquad C_{3} = C_{2} + \gamma^{-2}D_{21}B_{1}^{T}X_{\infty}
$$
  
\n
$$
Z_{\infty} = (I - \gamma^{-2}Y_{\infty}X_{\infty})^{-1}
$$

## **Equation 3.3.5 H<sup>∞</sup> Controller for the Plant Transformed into Standard Form**

The actuator input command is  $u_2 = F_{\infty} \hat{x}$ , where  $\hat{x}$  is the estimated state vector. The estimator dynamics when the lower feedback loop  $Q(s)=0$ , is

$$
\dot{\hat{x}} = (A + \gamma^{-2} B_1 B_1^T X_\infty) \hat{x} + B_2 u_2 - Z_\infty H_\infty (y_2 - \hat{y}_2)
$$

Where:  $\hat{y}_2$  is the estimate of the output measurement,  $\hat{y}_2 = \left(C_{2} + \gamma^{-2} D_{21} B_{1}^T X_{\infty}\right) \hat{x}$  $\mathcal{L}_2 = \left( C_{2} + \gamma^{-2} D_{21} B_{1}^{T} X_{\infty} \right)$ 



# **3.4 General Formulation of the Synthesis Model**

The simple solution of the Standard H-infinity SM formulation presented in Section 3.3 requires the conditions (iii-v) of Section 3.2 to be satisfied in order to use the controller. In general, the SM may have non-zero direct transfer matrices D11, D22, and not satisfy the conditions (iii) and (iv). The solution in this case is more complex and the SM requires a series of transformations in order to be transformed and comply with the standard form of Figure 3.1. These transformations will be described in Section 3.5. In this section we present a more general synthesis model that is typically obtained when setting up an H∞ problem. This model includes the plant dynamics, the control inputs, disturbance and command inputs, the measurements, and criteria outputs that must be minimized. The noticeable differences between the standard and the generic SM is that we now have direct transfer from the exogenous inputs  $w_i$  to the output criterion and measurement vectors ( $z_0$  and  $y_m$ ) via the matrices  $D_{1111}$  and  $D_{21w}$  respectively. The exogenous inputs are either disturbances, coupling directly to the plant input via matrix  $B_1$ , or commands that go directly to the regulated outputs in vector  $z_0$  via  $D_{1111}$ , due to the fact that some of the criteria vector elements  $z_0$  consist of commands minus system responses. In addition, there is also a direct transfer from the control  $u_c$  to the output criteria  $z_o$  and to measurements vector  $y_m$  via the matrices  $D_{12u}$  and  $D_{22}$ respectively, see Figure 3.4.



**Figure 3.4 State-Space Formulation of the General H<sup>∞</sup> Synthesis Model** 

## **3.5 Transformation of the General H<sup>∞</sup> SM Using Scaling and Loop-Shifting Operations**

The specific H<sup>∞</sup> synthesis procedure described in Section 3.3 assumes that the conditions (iii to v) stated in Section 3.2 are satisfied. These conditions, however, greatly reduce the applicability of the design algorithm. In this section we will present a series of operations that can be applied to the generic SM of Figure 3.4 which doesn't meet the conditions of the standard SM in order to transform it to the specific form. For a given general D matrix and a desired upper H<sup>∞</sup> bound γ, the following series of scaling and loop shifting operations will transform the system to the required standard form. Knowledge of γ will be required in order to zero out the  $D_{11}$  matrix.



**Figure 3.5 Scaling and Loop-Shifting Operations to Transform the H-Infinity Control Design Model**

These transformations must be repeated each time  $\gamma$  is changed as one iterates on  $\gamma$  to approach the optimal H<sup>∞</sup> solution. Most of these transformations are norm-preserving, and they do not change the system's H-infinity norm. The transformation  $\Theta$  however, that zeros out matrix D<sub>11</sub>, does not preserve the system's H-infinity norm but only its upper bound γ. In other words, although the transformed system's Hinfinity norm may differ from that of the original system, the transformed system's H-infinity norm will be less than γ, if and only if the original system's H-infinity norm is less than γ. The transformations were derived by Safonov et al. in reference [2]. The transformation algorithm is described by the following steps:

**Step-1:** Use Singular Value Decomposition to factor the matrices D<sub>12</sub> and D<sub>21</sub> and perform the first set of transformations of the original SM matrices, as shown below:

$$
D_{12} = U_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \Sigma_1 \end{bmatrix} V_1^T \t D_{21} = U_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \Sigma_2 \end{bmatrix} V_2^T
$$
  
\n
$$
B_1^{(2)} = B_1 V_2 \t B_2^{(2)} = B_2 V_1 S_1^{-1} \t D_1^{(2)} = U_1^T D_{11} V_2 \t D_{12}^{(2)} = U_1^T D_{12} V_1 S_1^{-1}
$$
  
\n
$$
C_1^{(2)} = U_1^T C_1 \t C_2^{(2)} = S_2^{-1} U_2^T C_2 \t D_{21}^{(2)} = S_2^{-1} U_2^T D_{21} V_2 \t D_{22}^{(2)} = S_2^{-1} U_2^T D_{22} V_1 S_1^{-1}
$$

**Step-2**: Scale and partition the new matrix  $D_{11}$  into a (2x2) block matrix, where the lower right block  $D_{1122}$ has the same dimension as  $D_{22}$ <sup>T</sup>, and define the following matrix K<sub>∞</sub>

$$
D_{11}^{(2)} = U_1^T D_{11} V_2 = \begin{bmatrix} D_{1111} & D_{1112} \\ D_{1121} & D_{1122} \end{bmatrix}
$$
  

$$
K_{\infty} = -\left(D_{1122} + D_{1121}(\gamma^2 I - D_{1111}^T D_{1111})^{-1} D_{1111}^T D_{1112}\right)
$$

**Step-3**: Let the matrix **M** and the transformation matrix Θ in Figure 3.5.1 be defined as follows:

$$
M = \begin{bmatrix} D_{1111} & D_{1112} \\ D_{1121} & D_{1122} + K_{\infty} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and}
$$
  
\n
$$
\Theta = \begin{bmatrix} \Theta_{11} & \Theta_{12} \\ \Theta_{21} & \Theta_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -M & \left( I - \gamma^{-2} M M^T \right)^{1/2} \\ \left( I - \gamma^{-2} M^T M \right)^{1/2} & \gamma^{-2} M^T \end{bmatrix}
$$

At this point the transformed system's  $D_{11}$  matrix is zero. The other matrices are:

$$
A^{(3)} = A + B_1^{(2)}M^T(I - MM^T)^{-1}C_1^{(2)}
$$
  
\n
$$
B_1^{(3)} = B_1^{(2)}\Theta_{21}^{-1}
$$
  
\n
$$
B_1^{(3)} = B_1^{(2)}\Theta_{21}^{-1}
$$
  
\n
$$
B_1^{(3)} = B_1^{(2)}\Theta_{21}^{-1}
$$
  
\n
$$
C_1^{(3)} = \Theta_{12}^{-1}C_1^{(2)}
$$
  
\n
$$
D_{21}^{(3)} = D_{21}^{(2)}\Theta_{21}^{-1}
$$
  
\n
$$
D_{12}^{(3)} = \Theta_{12}^{-1}D_{12}^{(2)}
$$
  
\n
$$
D_{12}^{(3)} = \Theta_{12}^{-1}D_{12}^{(2)}
$$
  
\n
$$
D_{22}^{(3)} = D_{21}^{(2)}M^T(I - MM^T)^{-1}D_{12}^{(2)}
$$
  
\n
$$
D_{22}^{(3)} = D_{21}^{(2)}M^T(I - MM^T)^{-1}D_{12}^{(2)}
$$

**Step-4**: Use Singular Value Decomposition to factor the matrices D<sub>12</sub> and D<sub>21</sub> that were generated in step-3. This final transformation will bring the synthesis model to the standard form. At this point all the blocks appearing in figure 3.5 have been calculated. The transformed synthesis model is the transfer function from:  $u^{(3)}_1$  and  $u^{(3)}_2$ , to:  $y^{(3)}_1$  and  $y^{(3)}_2$ . It consists of the following matrices that have been transformed as shown:

$$
D_{12}^{(3)} = U_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \Sigma_3 \end{bmatrix} V_3^T \quad \text{and} \quad D_{21}^{(3)} = U_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \Sigma_4 \end{bmatrix} V_4^T
$$
  
\n
$$
B_1^{(4)} = B_1^{(3)} V_4 \qquad B_2^{(4)} = B_2^{(3)} V_3 S_3^{-1} \qquad D_{12}^{(4)} = U_3^T D_{12}^{(3)} V_3 S_3^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I \end{bmatrix}
$$
  
\n
$$
C_1^{(4)} = U_3^T C_1^{(3)} \qquad C_2^{(4)} = S_4^{-1} U_4^T C_2^{(3)} \qquad D_{21}^{(4)} = S_4^{-1} U_4^T D_{21}^{(3)} V_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I \end{bmatrix}
$$
  
\n
$$
D_{22}^{(4)} = S_4^{-1} U_4^T D_{22}^{(3)} V_3 S_3^{-1} = 0 \qquad D_{11}^{(4)} = U_3^T D_{11}^{(3)} V_4 = 0
$$

The transformations above and below the plant P can be grouped together into two matrices  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , respectively, where the transformation  $T_1$  above the plant P(s) is:

$$
\begin{bmatrix} y_1^{(3)} \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{111} & T_{112} \\ T_{121} & T_{122} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1^{(3)} \\ z \end{bmatrix} \text{ where}
$$
  
\n
$$
T_{111} = U_3^T \Theta_{11} V_4 \qquad T_{112} = U_3^T \Theta_{12} U_1^T \qquad T_{121} = V_2 \Theta_{21} V_4 \qquad T_{122} = V_2 \Theta_{22} U_1^T
$$

The transformation  $T_2$  below the plant  $P(s)$  is:

$$
\begin{bmatrix}\n\boldsymbol{u}_{c} \\
\boldsymbol{y}_{2}^{(3)}\n\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}\nT_{211} & T_{212} \\
T_{221} & T_{222}\n\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}\n\boldsymbol{y}_{m} \\
\boldsymbol{u}_{2}^{(3)}\n\end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where}
$$
\n
$$
T_{211} = V_{1}\Sigma_{1}^{-1}K_{\infty}\Sigma_{2}^{-1}U_{2}^{T}\left(I - L_{1}\right)^{-1} \qquad T_{212} = V_{1}\Sigma_{1}^{-1}\left(I - L_{2}\right)^{-1}V_{3}\Sigma_{3}^{-1}
$$
\n
$$
T_{221} = \Sigma_{4}^{-1}U_{4}^{T}\Sigma_{2}^{-1}U_{2}^{T}\left(I - L_{1}\right)^{-1}
$$
\n
$$
T_{222} = -\Sigma_{4}^{-1}U_{4}^{T}\left[\Sigma_{2}^{-1}U_{2}^{T}D_{22}V_{1}\Sigma_{1}^{-1}\left(I - L_{2}\right)^{-1} - D_{22}^{(3)}\right]V_{3}\Sigma_{3}^{-1}
$$
\n
$$
L_{1} = -D_{22}V_{1}\Sigma_{1}^{-1}K_{\infty}\Sigma_{2}^{-1}U_{2}^{T} \qquad L_{2} = -K_{\infty}\Sigma_{2}^{-1}U_{2}^{T}D_{22}V_{1}\Sigma_{1}^{-1}
$$

The D matrix of the transformed system now has components  $D_{11}=0$ ,  $D_{22}=0$ ,  $D_{12}=[0, 1]$ <sup>T</sup>, and D21=[0, I]. Since all the conditions are satisfied a controller can be calculated that minimizes the H∞ norm of the sensitivity transfer function for the transformed model. The  $H_{\infty}$  controller that stabilizes the transformed plant P'(s) is shown in Equation 3.5.1.

#### **3.6 Modified H<sup>∞</sup> Controller for the Original Plant**

In Figure 3.6 the controller J(s) is for the modified SM which was transformed into the standard form and was obtained from the standard H∞ algorithm described in Section 3.3. This controller must now be backtransformed using the  $T_2$  transformation matrix in order to be applied on the original plant P(s) and have the same effect. The state-space representation of the controller for the original plant is shown in Equation 3.5.1. The matrices Ac,  $B_3$  and  $C_3$  were defined in equation 3.3.5.



**Equation 3.5.1 Transformed H<sup>∞</sup> Controller for the Original Generic Plant**



**Figure 3.6 The Controller J(s) is Back-Transformed to K(s) in order to Match the Original Plant**

# **4.0 Setting up the H<sup>∞</sup> Synthesis Model**

In this section we describe how to set up an H<sup>∞</sup> synthesis model from a given plant in state-space form. The complexity of the SM is determined by the selected plant and the design requirements. In its simples form the Synthesis Model is shown in Figure 4.1. It consists of a multi-variable state-space representation of the plant that has already been prepared and it includes the necessary inputs and outputs. The inputs should include controls, disturbances, and uncertainty inputs. The outputs should include measurements, performance criteria, and uncertainty outputs. The uncertainty inputs and outputs represent internal parameter variations as we shall see in Section 5. The plant system may also include loop-shaping filters which are used to enhance performance in some of the system variables by the H∞ optimization. They are temporarily included in the plant model for the purpose of developing the SM. They are eventually moved in the controller side where they belong when the control design is complete. However, the filters increase the plant and SM states and also the controller complexity.

The SM is created the from the plant model by picking and categorizing some inputs and some outputs. Some of the inputs will be chosen to be controls and some will be used as disturbances. Some of the outputs will become sensor measurements and some outputs will represent criteria to be minimized. Some of the columns of plant matrices B and D are selected to create the SM matrices  $B_1$ ,  $D_{11}$  and  $D_{21W}$  that describe the input disturbances, and some of the columns of B and D are selected to form matrices  $B_2$ ,  $D_{12U}$ and D<sub>22</sub> that describe the control inputs. Similarly, some of the rows of plant matrices C and D are selected to form SM matrices  $C_1$ ,  $D_{11}$  and  $D_{12U}$  that define the optimization criteria and some of the rows of matrices C and D are selected to form matrices  $C_2$ ,  $D_{21W}$  and  $D_{22}$  that describe the measurements.

There is some symmetry in the SM in Figure 4.1. The size of measurement noise input  $w_0$  is equal to the number of output measurements  $y_m$ . The measurement noise is used in the estimator design. It defines the reliability of the measurement. The input criteria  $z_i$  is used to penalize the controls and its size is equal to the number of controls  $u_c$ . The two square matrices  $D_{12}$  and  $D_{21}$  are not necessarily considered to be plant dynamics but they are adjusted by the designer to optimize the control system performance and they are usually diagonal matrices. Matrix  $D_{12}$  penalizes the control input  $u_c$  and it limits the controller bandwidth. Similarly, matrix  $D_{21}$  introduces uncertainty in the measurements and prevents high gains and bandwidth in the estimator.

The input/ output vector pairs (w<sub>i</sub>) and (z<sub>o</sub>) do not only consist of external disturbances and criteria variables. Regulated outputs can also be included in the disturbances and criteria variables as we shall see in Section 4.1. Plant uncertainties can also be included as vector pairs in the  $w_i$  and  $z_0$  vectors. In Section 5 we describe the IFL method where each plant uncertainty can be represented with one additional input/ output pair included in the SM. This allows us to synthesize controllers which are robust to real (structured) parameter uncertainties. Figure 5.2 shows how the disturbance and criteria vectors are augmented with the inclusion of the uncertainty inputs and outputs. In section 4.2 we will modify the SM to include scaling gains or *"Design Knobs"* that can be adjusted between design iterations in order to achieve the desired control system performance and bandwidth. The gains scale the corresponding rows and columns of the SM matrices and adjust the relative effectiveness and criteria of various inputs or outputs in the H∞ optimization process.



# **4.1 Including Some Outputs to be Regulated with Commands**

In Figure 4.1, the SM has no commands inputs and the vector  $w_i$  is an input disturbance. In the situation where we have some outputs  $z_R$  which are directly commanded by tracking command inputs  $w_c$ , in this case we want to achieve a small error and minimize the error  $z_{re} = \{z_R - w_c\}$  by including it in the criteria vector. The command  $w_c$  is also included in the disturbances, as shown in Figure 4.2. The matrices  $C_1$ ,  $D_{11}$ and  $D_{12U}$  now consist of two sets of rows that define criteria to be minimized. The upper part creates a set of criteria  $z_0$  similar to the criteria of Figure 4.1 and a lower part consists of the regulated variable errors  $z_{\text{re}}$ . In comparison with the basic SM of Figure 4.1 the disturbance vector w is now augmented to include the input commands  $w_c$  in addition to the disturbances  $w_i$  and noise the  $w_o$ . Similarly, the criterion output vector is also augmented and it consists of three parts:  $z_0$  as before, the regulated output errors  $z_{or} = \{z_R - w_c\}$ , and the control input criterion  $z_i$  as before. The SM augmented with regulated outputs is shown in Figure 4.2.



**Figure 4.2 Synthesis Model Augmented with Input Commands and Regulated Outputs**

## **4.2 Normalizing the Synthesis Model with Scaling Gains**

The H-infinity control design is often an iterative process. We begin with a set of design parameters in the SM, calculate the controller, analyze the control system stability and performance, and if the control amplitudes are too big or if the performance of some variables is poor in response to commands or to disturbances, we adjust the design parameters accordingly and repeat the process until the robustness versus performance criteria are satisfactory. For example, if the controller bandwidth and gain in one of the control loops is high, we penalize the corresponding element in the z<sub>i</sub> vector more severely to reduce the gain next time. If the estimator gain in one of the estimation loops is high, we should increase the amount of noise introduced in the SM measurements  $w<sub>o</sub>$ . If we want to improve the performance in some of the output variables in the criteria vector  $z_0$  we must increase the corresponding gain at that output.

This adjustment is accomplished by introducing gains that scale the SM accordingly. There are 6 sets of gain vectors, 3 sets that multiply the inputs to the SM, and 3 sets that divide the outputs, as shown in figure (4.3). Those gains are not part of the original plant model but they are only used as design knobs for adjusting the relative importance (weight) of certain elements within a vector versus others in the H∞ algorithm. They are inserted in six places in the SM. At the three inputs: disturbance (w<sub>i</sub>), commanded outputs ( $w_c$ ), and measurement noise ( $w_o$ ). Also, at the three outputs: performance criteria ( $z_o$ ), output regulation error ( $z_{\text{re}}$ ), and control criteria ( $z_i$ ). They are modified during the design process as necessary to optimize the control system performance. The gains are then absorbed in the SM for the next cycle by scaling the corresponding rows and columns of the SM matrices. Each gain vector is described in detail below.

- 1. The input disturbance gain **Gwi** is used to multiply the input disturbances (wi). Increasing the magnitude in some of its elements, it will improve in general the system's sensitivity to those excitations at the expense of performance deterioration in other variables. The gain G<sub>wi</sub> is initially set to the maximum expected magnitudes of the corresponding input disturbances.
- 2. The command scaling gain  $G_{wc}$  is used to multiply the command  $(w_c)$  of a regulated output, such as vehicle attitude. Increasing its magnitude will improve the command following performance of the corresponding regulated output at the expense of performance in other variables. It is initially set to the magnitude of the maximum expected command.
- 3. The measurement noise gain **Gwo** is used to define the amount of disturbance wo corrupting the corresponding measurements. Small magnitudes in  $w_0$  will in general produce high estimator bandwidth and gains. It also expresses the amount of relative reliability in the corresponding measurement element in vector  $(y_m)$ , in comparison with other elements. If one element of  $y_m$  is less reliable than other elements, a heavier gain factor should be placed in that element position in vector  $G_{wo}$ . The gain elements multiply the input  $w_0$  and they are initially set to the largest noise magnitude expected at the corresponding measurement.
- 4. The output criterion gain G<sub>zo</sub> divides the performance criterion output vector (z<sub>o</sub>) and adjusts the relative performance of each output relative to others. Good performance means small responses to excitation inputs. To improve, for example, the performance of a certain output in the criterion vector ( $\mathbf{z}_0$ ) the inverse of the corresponding element  $1/G_{z0}$  must be large. The elements of the gain vector G<sub>zo</sub> are initially set to the largest permitted magnitudes of the corresponding output criteria  $z<sub>o</sub>$ . If some amplitudes are exceeded in simulations due to excessive excitations, the corresponding  $G_{z0}$  gains must be reduced, which produces heavier penalization in the optimization.
- 5. A similar logic applies for the regulated output errors vector. The outputs ( $z_{\text{re}}$ ) are divided by the scaling gains G<sub>zr</sub> which adjust the amount of errors in the regulated outputs zre. The error in a regulated output is reduced by increasing the gain  $1/\underline{G}_{2r}$  in the corresponding output. The elements of the gain vector  $\mathbf{G}_{\text{zr}}$  are initially set to the magnitudes of the largest allowable output errors in  $z_{\text{re}}$ . The smaller the expected error the smaller the  $G_{zr}$ .
- 6. The controls performance criterion  $(z<sub>i</sub>)$  penalizes the controls and the gain  $G<sub>zi</sub>$  adjusts the control system bandwidth which affects also the amplitudes of the control inputs  $\underline{u}_c$ . The criterion  $(z_i)$  is scaled by dividing it with the gains vector G<sub>zi.</sub> Initially, the control criteria are defined by the vector  $\underline{z}_1 = D_{12} \underline{u}_c$ , where the matrix  $D_{12}$  is set equal to unity and the elements of gain  $\underline{G}_{zi}$  are set to the largest expected magnitudes of the controls  $\underline{u}_c$ . The gains are checked in simulations and if some of the controls exceed the maximum allowable amplitudes the corresponding gains in G<sub>zi</sub> must be reduced which increases its penalization in the algorithm.



**Figure 4.3 Normalized SM Including Scaling Gains of Maximum Inputs and Maximum Outputs**

## **4.3 Including Parameter Uncertainties in the SM**

In Section 5 we describe how internal parameter variations in the design model can be characterized by additional inputs and outputs which are normalized and they hypothetically connect to a unitized ∆ block. The Synthesis Model of Figure 4.3 is now combined with Figure 5.2, as shown in Figure 4.4. The additional inputs ( $w<sub>p</sub>$ ) are treated as disturbances and the additional outputs ( $z<sub>p</sub>$ ) are grouped with the criteria. There are no additional states. There are no gains included to scale the uncertainty inputs and outputs because the uncertainty model is already normalized for a unity ∆ block. The parameter uncertainties and the regulated outputs are optional and they not always included in the SM.

In Figure 4.4 the scaling gains  $G_{wi}$ ,  $G_{wc}$ ,  $G_{wc}$ ,  $G_{ziv}$ ,  $G_{zre}$ , and  $G_{zo}$  that were described in section 4.2 attempt to normalize the sensitivity function from the combined disturbance vector ( $w_i w_c w_o$ ) to the combined criteria vector ( $z_i$   $z_{re}$   $z_o$ ) to be less than one. The uncertainty plant in Figure 5.1 is already scaled by the IFL process and the uncertainty inputs  $w_p$  and outputs  $z_p$  are already normalized to connect with a unit-diagonal block, where  $||\Delta|| \leq 1$ . In fact, the entire SM is normalized.

The H∞ controller closes the loop between the measurements ( $y<sub>m</sub>$ ) and the controls ( $u<sub>c</sub>$ ) and it attempts to achieve the following: Reduce the infinity norm between the combined disturbance vector (w) and the combined criterion vector (z) to be less than a certain upper bound (γ), meaning, robustness to parameter uncertainties, command following, performance against external disturbances, and of course good stability margins in the presence of known parameters variations in the uncertain plant.

Robust performance is achieved when the H-infinity norm of the closed-loop sensitivity function between the combined input vector ( $w_p w_i w_c w_o$ ) and the combined output vector ( $z_p z_i z_{re} z_o$ ) is less than one at all frequencies. It means that the control system derived from this formulation, not only minimizes the sensitivity transfer function between the disturbances and criteria (both at the plant input and output for good performance) but also takes into consideration variations in the uncertain plant parameters and attempts to maintain both stability and performance despite variations.



**Figure 4.4 Synthesis Model Augmented with Parameter Variation Inputs and Outputs Derived from the IFL Method**

#### **5.0 The Internal Feedback Loop (IFL) Structure**

The IFL method allows internal parameter perturbations in a system to be treated like external disturbances by introducing fictitious inputs and outputs. This representation allows us to use µ-tools for analyzing robustness to uncertainties or to apply H<sup>∞</sup> and other robust methods to design control systems that can tolerate a certain amount of parameter variations. To utilize the IFL concept the system must be expressed in the following form, where [ΔA, ΔB, ΔC, ΔD] are variations in the state-space system matrices as a result of variation in one of the parameters.

$$
\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \Delta A & \Delta B \\ \Delta C & \Delta D \end{bmatrix} \right\} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ u \end{bmatrix}
$$

Suppose that they are (I) independently perturbed parameters:  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$ , ...  $p_i$ , with bounded parameter variations δp<sub>i</sub>, where their magnitude  $|\delta p_i| \leq 1$ . The perturbation matrix ΔP= [ΔA, ΔB; ΔC, ΔD] can be decomposed with respect to each parameter variation as follows:

$$
\Delta_i = -\sum_{i=1}^l \delta p_i \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_x^{(i)} \\ \alpha_y^{(i)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_x^{(i)} & \beta_u^{(i)} \end{pmatrix}
$$

Where for each parameter pi

 $\rfloor$ 

*x*

 $\beta$ 

L



The plant uncertainty matrix ∆P due to all perturbations can be written in the following form, where the perturbation block ΔP is assumed to have a rank-1 dependency with respect to each parameter pi.

$$
\Delta P = -\binom{M_x}{M_y} \Delta (N_x \quad N_u) = -M \Delta N
$$

Where M<sub>x</sub> and M<sub>y</sub> are stacks of column vectors, and N<sub>x</sub> and N<sub>u</sub> are stacks of row vectors as shown below  $\begin{vmatrix} \alpha_{r}^{(1)} & \alpha_{r}^{(2)} & \dots & \alpha_{r}^{(l)} \end{vmatrix}$   $M_{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_{v}^{(1)} & \alpha_{v}^{(2)} & \dots & \alpha_{v}^{(l)} \end{vmatrix}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\mathsf{L}$  $\overline{a}$  $\overline{a}$  $\overline{a}$ =  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\mathbf{r}$ L L L =  $M_x = [\alpha_x^{(1)} \quad \alpha_x^{(2)} \quad \dots \quad \alpha_x^{(l)}], \qquad M_y =$  $\left( l\right)$ (1)  $\left( l\right)$ (1)  $\alpha_x^{(1)}$   $\alpha_x^{(2)}$  ....  $\alpha_x^{(l)}$   $\vert$   $M_y = \vert \alpha_y^{(1)}$   $\alpha_y^{(2)}$  ....  $\alpha_y^{(l)}$ ; *l u u l x x l*  $y = \mu_y$  *a*<sub>y</sub> *w w*<sub>y</sub> *l*  $N_x =$   $\vdots$   $\vdots$  $\beta_{\scriptscriptstyle I}$  $\beta$ α α α α α α  $\vdots$  ;  $N_u = |$  : and

L

Where  $\Delta$  = diag [  $\delta p_1$ ,  $\delta p_2$ ,  $\delta p_3$ ,....  $\delta p_1$ ] is the diagonal block of Figure 5.1 containing the uncertainties. Notice, that in order to simplify the implementation, the columns of matrices  $M_x$  and  $M_y$  and the rows of matrices N<sub>x</sub> and N<sub>u</sub> are scaled, so that the elements of the diagonal block  $\Delta$  have unity upper bound. Now let us introduce two new variables ( $z<sub>p</sub>$  and  $w<sub>p</sub>$ ) and rewrite the equations in the following system form in order to express it as a block diagram.

 $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ 

*u*

 $\beta_{\scriptscriptstyle L}$ 

$$
z_p = N_x x + N_u u \quad and \quad w_p = -\Delta z_p
$$

The perturbed state-space system can be written in the following augmented representation which is the same as the original system in the upper left side, with some additional input and output vectors, an input and an output for each parameter uncertainty.

$$
\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ y \\ z_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B & M_x \\ C & D & M_y \\ N_x & N_u & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ u \\ w_p \end{pmatrix}
$$

If we further separate the plant inputs (u) into disturbances (w) and controls (u<sub>c</sub>), that is, u=[w, u<sub>c</sub>], and if we also separate the plant outputs (y) into performance criteria (z) and control measurements ( $y_m$ ), the above system is augmented as shown below.



The above formulation is used for  $\mu$ -synthesis or robustness analysis using  $\mu$ -methods. It is also shown in block diagram form in Figure 5.1. The uncertainties block ∆ is connected to the plant by means of the inputs w<sub>p</sub> and the outputs z<sub>p</sub>. The columns in the M<sub>x</sub>, M<sub>w</sub>, and M<sub>ym</sub> matrices and the rows in the N<sub>x</sub>, N<sub>w</sub>, and N<sub>uc</sub> matrices are scaled by dividing with the square root of the corresponding singular value which normalizes the elements of the uncertainty block ∆ to unity. Figure 5.2 shows how the H-infinity synthesis model is augmented by the inclusion of the parameter uncertainty inputs and outputs.

The control system K(s) is designed to stabilize the plant P(s). When the feedback loop is closed between  $y_m$ and  $u_c$  the control system is also expected to keep the plant stable despite all possible variations in the elements of the block ∆ which are allowed to vary between -1 and +1. This property is defined as "Robust Stability". In addition to "Robust Stability" the control system must also satisfy "Nominal Performance" which is a bounded and well-behaved response between the disturbances w and the criteria z. We also have third property for the perturbed plant which is called "Robust Performance". The plant P(s) has the control loop closed and also the uncertainty loop closed via the ∆ block. The closed-loop system satisfies the "Robust Performance" property when it remains stable and it is also able to satisfy the above two performance criteria, which is, the transfer function between w and z satisfies performance despite all possible variations in the internal parameters represented in the normalized uncertainties block ∆, where the individual magnitudes  $\delta_i$  do not exceed 1. This happens when the structured singular value frequency response ( $\mu$ ) between the combined vectors: [w, w<sub>p</sub>] and [z, z<sub>p</sub>] is less than 1 at all frequencies.



Figure 5.1 Robustness Analysis Block showing the Uncertainties IFL loop, the control feedback loop, the disturbances (w), and performance outputs (z)

This system can also be represented in matrix transfer function form as follows

$$
\begin{pmatrix} z_p \\ z \\ y_m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} & G_{13} \\ G_{21} & G_{22} & G_{23} \\ G_{31} & G_{32} & G_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_p \\ w \\ u_c \end{pmatrix}
$$
 where:  
\n
$$
w_p = -\Delta z_p \quad and \quad u_c = -K(s) y_m
$$

After closing the loop with a stabilizing controller K(s) the closed loop system is represented with the following transfer function matrix

$$
\begin{pmatrix} z_p \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11}(s) & T_{12}(s) \\ T_{21}(s) & T_{22}(s) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_p \\ w \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } w_p = -\Delta z_p
$$
  
\nwhere  
\n
$$
T_{11}(s) = G_{11} - G_{13}K(I + G_{33}K)^{-1}G_{31}; \qquad T_{12}(s) = G_{12} - G_{13}K(I + G_{33}K)^{-1}G_{32}
$$
  
\n
$$
T_{21}(s) = G_{21} - G_{23}K(I + G_{33}K)^{-1}G_{31}; \qquad T_{22}(s) = G_{22} - G_{23}K(I + G_{33}K)^{-1}G_{32}
$$

The above transfer functions are used to analyze robustness and performance of the closed loop system

**Robust Stability:** Stability robustness with respect to parameter uncertainty is determined by the transfer function T<sub>11</sub>(s). Smaller  $||T_{11}|| \approx$  allows larger parameter uncertainty for closed loop stability. The closed loop system is considered to be robustly stable with respect to the parameter perturbations block Δ, where  $\|\Delta\| \leq 1$ , when the  $\mu$ {T<sub>11</sub>(ω)}< 1 at all frequencies (ω).

**Nominal Performance**: Nominal performance is used to calculate the system's sensitivity to excitations and it is obtained from the transfer function  $T_{22}(s)$ . This transfer function must be scaled by multiplying its inputs with the max magnitude of the excitations and by dividing its outputs with the max allowable error. The system satisfies Nominal Performance when the scaled  $||T_{22}(\omega)|| \infty$  1 at all frequencies ( $\omega$ ). For example, maximum wind-gust velocity disturbance must not exceed the maximum allowable dispersion in angle of attack.

**Robust Performance**: is achieved when the system meets the performance and robustness requirements together. This happens when the following condition is satisfied at all frequencies.

$$
\mu \begin{bmatrix} T_{11}(s) & T_{12}(s) \\ T_{21}(s) & T_{22}(s) \end{bmatrix} < 1
$$

# **5.1 Parameter Uncertainties Modeling Program**

There is a Flixan program that implements the IFL method and it can be used to create the additional inputs and outputs in a flight vehicle system that model the internal parameter variations. The fictitious inputs and outputs theoretically connect with the normalized uncertainty block ∆, as shown in Figure 5.1, and it is assumed that each element of the diagonal uncertainty block ∆ can vary between ±1. The IFL program calls the flight vehicle modeling program that processes the vehicle data from an input file and generates statespace systems. In addition to the vehicle dataset, the program also reads the uncertainties from a separate dataset which is also included the same input file (.Inp). The algorithm calls the vehicle modeling program multiple times and processes the uncertainties together with the vehicle data. It begins by processing the nominal vehicle dataset and repeats the data processing for each parameter variation. It eventually generates the uncertainty state-space system which is similar to the nominal system but it includes the additional input/ output pairs which are supposed to connect with the extracted uncertainty block ∆. The following algorithm describes the process of calculating the uncertainty system:

- 1. The modeling program is used initially to process the nominal set of vehicle data and to create the "known" plant state-space model [A, B; C, D].
- 2. One (and only one) of the vehicle data parameters must be modified at a time, either increased or decreased from its nominal value by an amount that is equal to the maximum expected variation  $(\delta p_1)$  and the vehicle data is reprocessed by the vehicle modeling program to create a new statespace system  $[A_1, B_1, C_1, D_1]$  that corresponds to parameter #1 variation. The matrix difference between the nominal and the perturbed state-space models is calculated:



- 3. This matrix is decomposed using SVD to calculate the column vectors  $\alpha_x^{(1)}$  and  $\alpha_y^{(1)}$  and the row vectors  $\beta_x^{(1)}$ , and  $\beta_u^{(1)}$ , as shown in the equation.
- 4. Restore the previous parameter to its original value and modify another parameter #2 in the vehicle input data by an amount  $\delta p_2$  that represents the maximum variation of this parameter, as in step-2. Repeat steps 2 and 3 and calculate the vectors  $\alpha_x^{(2)}$ ,  $\alpha_y^{(2)}$ ,  $\beta_x^{(2)}$ , and  $\beta_y^{(2)}$ .
- 5. Select another parameter to perturb and repeat steps 2, and 3 until there are no more uncertain parameters to vary. Stack the row and column vectors as shown to create the stacks of column vectors:  $M_x$  and  $M_y$  and the stacks of row vectors:  $N_x$  and  $N_u$ .
- 6. These matrices are then used to create the additional inputs and outputs in the state-space model. The columns of matrices  $M_x$  and  $M_y$  and the rows of matrices  $N_x$  and  $N_u$  must also be scaled according to the magnitude of the uncertainties  $\delta p_i$  so that the interconnections correspond to a unity normalized ∆-block.

The uncertainty model is then used in combination with the flight control system to analyze the closed-loop system performance and robustness to uncertainties by calculating the  $\mu$ -frequency response of the plant across the interconnections with the  $\Delta$  block, as shown in Figure 5.1. That is, between w<sub>p</sub> and z<sub>p</sub>, with the control loop K(s) closed.

The parameter uncertainties data-set in the input file is similar to the vehicle dataset. It includes variations from the nominal vehicle data and a title above the data. The variations should correspond to the parameters in the vehicle dataset. There should be the same number of aerosurfaces, engines, slosh tanks, etc. Only the variations in the uncertain parameters should be non-zero. Obviously, the variations in the parameters which are known and do not vary must be set to zero. An additional input/ output pair is created in the system for each uncertainty. In some cases, two connections are created for one parameter variation, such as the  $X_{CG}$ , which affects both pitch and lateral axes. In this case the pitch and lateral systems must be decoupled, and one I/O pair is associated with the pitch system and the other I/O pair is associated with the lateral system.

The Flixan program identifies datasets that contain parameter uncertainties from this label: "*UNCERTAIN PARAMETER VARIATIONS FROM NOMINAL* …" which is located above the dataset. There is also a title below this label which identifies a particular uncertainties dataset, similar to all other types of Flixan datasets. This title associates the uncertainties data with a vehicle input data, and it must be included at the bottom of the vehicle input data in order to associate the variations with the actual vehicle parameters.



Figure 5.2 Synthesis Model Augmented with Uncertainty Inputs ( $w_p$ ) and Uncertainty Outputs ( $z_p$ )

# **6.0 Running the H-Infinity Program**

The H-infinity program includes several options. The user must first create the Synthesis Model from the plant system and then use it to design the control system. We assume that the plant system to be controlled is already created and saved in the systems file. To run the program, select "*Program Functions*" from the Flixan main menu, then "*Robust Control Synthesis Tools*", and then "*H-Infinity Control Design*", as shown below. Select also the directory that includes the system files. The next menu is for selecting the systems file (.Qdr) and from the H-infinity main menu we select the first option to create the SM.



# **6.1 Creating the Synthesis Model**

The first option is used to create the Synthesis Model from the plant system as it was described in Section 4. The SM is also a state-space system consisting of 9 matrices and it is saved in the same systems file. This interactive utility creates the SM by helping the user to define the control and disturbance inputs, the measurement and criteria outputs, and also the performance requirements. They will all be captured in the SM. From the main menu of the H-Infinity program select "*Create a Synthesis Model (SM)*" to create the SM from the plant model. The following menu shows the titles of the systems which are included in the systems file. Select the design plant and click on "*Select*". The SM will be created from this system.



The first menu is used to define parameter uncertainties. That is, inputs and outputs that connect to the uncertainties ∆ block, as described in Section 4.3. In this example we did not define any uncertain parameters and have not created any uncertainty inputs and outputs. We, therefore, click on "*No Uncertainties*" to continue.



The next menu is used to define external disturbance inputs. The plant model has 3 inputs and all 3 will be considered as disturbances. Click on "*Select All*" and then on "*Enter Selects*" to continue.



The next menu is for selecting the control inputs. There are two control inputs, roll and yaw controldemands. Select one at a time and then click on "*Enter Selects*" to continue.



The next dialog is used for selecting outputs to be optimized. In this example the output of the plant model consists of the entire state vector of 6 variables. We will optimize only four of those state variables, the two attitudes, beta, and β-integral. Select one variable at a time and then click on "*Enter Selects*" to continue. The next menu is for selecting outputs to be regulated with input commands. In this case we do not have any. Do not select anything but click on "Enter Selects" to continue. The next menu is for selecting the output measurements. In this example the measurements are the entire state vector. Select all of them by clicking on "*Set Output= State*" and then click on "*Enter Selects*" to continue.



We have now finished defining the input and output variables. The next step is to enter the gains that will be used to scale them, as described in Section 4.2. Those gains are performance parameters that can be changed in the next design iteration. The dialog below scales the disturbance inputs. Click on one input at a time to highlight it, click on "*Select Variable*", enter the scaling gain which is the maximum expected disturbance at each input, and click on "*Enter Scale*" to accept it, one at a time. The scale value appears in the menu next to the variable label. When you finish click on "*Okay*" to go to the next dialog.



This dialog is for entering the measurement noise. In this example the measurement is the entire statevector and we do not want to build a state estimator. We could if the measurement was noisy, but in this case we tell the program that we don't want the estimator by inserting zero or very small noise magnitude in each output/state variable. The program requires a confirmation that you do not want to create an estimator, so you enter "Yes" to calculate a state-feedback control gain and not a dynamic controller.



The next step is to enter gains for the performance optimization criteria. That is, the maximum acceptable magnitude at the criteria outputs defined, which are: the maximum roll and yaw attitude errors, maximum beta transient magnitude and its integral. Reducing the gain value for a specific performance output results into better performance and smaller transient for that variable. Select one variable at a time, enter the gain and click on "enter scale" to accept it. When you finish click on "Okay" to go to the next dialog.



The controls are also included in the optimization criteria. By scaling both: performance and control criteria we define the trade-off between performance, sensitivity and control bandwidth. In this example we have two controls. If we increase the gain in one of them, let's say the roll control, we are telling the mathematic algorithm to provide more control in the roll axis which means bigger bandwidth in roll and the system will be faster in roll. Enter the two gains as before and click on "Okay" to proceed. Finally enter a short label that will appear at the end of the Synthesis Model title in the systems file.



OK

# The H-Infinity SM is saved in the systems file and it will be used to design the state-feedback controller



```
Matrix D21
                                      3-Column
                                                      4-Column
                                                                     5-Column
  9-Column
  2-Row 0.000000000000E+00
  3-Row 0.000000000000E+00
  4-Row 0.000000000000E+00
  5-Row 0.000000000000E+00
  6-Row 0.100000000000E+01
 Size = 6 X 2<br>2-Column
Matrix D22
        1 - \text{Column}1-Row 0.000000000000E+00 0.000000000000E+00
  2-Row 0.000000000000E+00 0.00000000000E+003 - Row = 0.0000000000000E + 00 = 0.000000000000E + 004-Row 0.000000000000E+00 0.000000000000E+00
  5 - Row = 0.0000000000000E + 00 = 0.000000000000E + 006-Row 0.000000000000E+00 0.000000000000E+00
 Definition of Synthesis Model Variables
                                              Max Scaling Factors
States (x) .......... = 6
 1 Roll Attitude (phi-body) (radians)
    Roll Rate (p-body) (rad/sec)<br>Yaw Attitude (psi-body) (radians)
 3.
 4 Yaw Rate (r-body) (rad/sec)
 5 Angle of sideslip, beta (radian)<br>6 Beta-Integral (rad-sec
                        (rad-sec)Excitation Inputs (w) = 91 DP_TVC (roll FCS demand)
                                                      * 0.002\overline{2}DR TVC (yaw FCS demand)
                                                      * 0.002Wind-Gust Azim, Elev Angles=(45,90) (deg)
                                                      *3.0\mathbf{3}Wind-Gust Azim, Elev Angles=(45,90) (deg)<br>
* 3.0<br>
* 0.10000E-07<br>
Noise at Output: Roll Rate<br>
* 0.10000E-07<br>
Noise at Output: Yaw Attitude (psi-body) (rad/sec)<br>
* 0.10000E-07<br>
Noise at Output: Yaw Rate<br>
* 0.10000E-07<br>
Noise
Control Inputs (u) \ldots = 2
  1 Control: DP TVC (roll FCS demand)
                                                       *1.0000* 1.0000
  2 Control: DR TVC (yaw FCS demand)
Performance Outputs (z) =
                      -61 Roll Attitude (phi-body) (radians)<br>2 Yaw Attitude (psi-body) (radians)
                                                     / 0.0001/ 0.0003Angle of sideslip, beta (radian)<br>Beta-Integral (rad-sec)
                                                      / 0.03\mathbf{3}Beta-Integral (rad-sec)<br>Contrl Criter. DP_TVC (roll FCS demand)
                                                      / 0.034^{\circ}/ 0.00055
  6 Contri Criter. DR_TVC (FOIT FOS demand)
                                                      / 0.0008Measurement Outputs (y) = 6Measurement outputs (y) = 0<br>
1 Measurm: Roll Attitude (phi-body) (radians)<br>
2 Measurm: Roll Rate (p-body) (rad/sec)
                                                   \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \end{pmatrix}/ 1.00003 Measurm: Yaw Attitude (psi-body) (radians)
                                                     / 1.00004 Measurm: Yaw Rate (r-body) (rad/sec)
                                                     /1.00005 Measurm: Angle of sideslip, beta (radian) (1.0000<br>6 Measurm: Beta-Integral (rad-sec) (1.0000
  5 Measurm: Angle of sideslip, beta (radian)
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The scaling gains are included on the side of the corresponding variables to be scaled.

# **6.2 Reading and Checking the Synthesis Model**

If the SM is already created and saved in the systems file, from the H-infinity main menu you choose the second option and click on "Select". The following menu shows the SM which are already saved in the systems file. In this case there is only one. Select the SM and click on "Select". The program will read the SM and check the observability and controllability.



The program confirms that the SM satisfies the expected observability and controllability requirements and displays the SM matrices graphically in system's form in a dialog shown below. The 9 SM matrices appear color coded and also the gains which scale the disturbances and the criteria. The color code reference magnitudes appear at the lower-left corner. In this example the A-matrix consists of 6 states. There are 3 external disturbances, 6 measurements noise inputs which are set to almost zero (dark brown), and there are 2 control inputs for roll and yaw control. In the outputs we have 4 performance criteria, and 2 control utilization criteria. C2 is the identity matrix which means the 6 outputs are equal to the state vector. Definitions of the SM variables are listed in tabs on the left-hand side. The SM parameters can be modified interactively and the updated SM can be saved in the systems file.



# **6.3 Running the H-Infinity Program Interactively**

After reading and checking the SM controllability and observability you can select the third option from the main menu to design the H-infinity controller from the SM and click on "Select". In this case, the program confirms that the solution will be a state-feedback gain rather than a dynamic controller and it will use the state-feedback algorithm.



We now begin the iterative process of attempting to minimize the upper bound  $\gamma$  of the infinity norm of the sensitivity transfer function between the 3 disturbance inputs and the output criteria, which in this case there are 4-performance and 2-control criteria. We begin with an arbitrary γ upper bound and try to find the smallest  $\gamma$  magnitude in (dB) that will not violate the algorithm requirements. We must enter  $\gamma$  in decibels. We first enter γ=10 which is too low and click on "Yes" in the next dialog to try a bigger value. Next time we enter γ=20 which is also low and click on "Yes" again to try an even bigger value. After 2-3 iterations we find that  $\gamma$ =30 works and we click on "No" meaning that we do not want to try another value but to accept the current controller.





The following Figure shows the control system eigenvalues with the control loop closed between the measurements (y) and the control inputs (u). They are all stable, as expected. We return to the H-infinity main menu from where we can save the controller gain by clicking on "*Save the H-infinity Controller in Systems File (x.Qdr)*".



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#### **6.4 Running the H-Infinity Program in Batch Mode**

The SM can also be created from the plant system in batch mode and the SM can be processed by the Hinfinity program in batch mode to create the control system. The necessary datasets that perform those functions must be created in the input file and be processed in batch mode, either individually or via a batch dataset. In the example that follows the input file includes a dataset that creates the SM "*Crane Design Model with Y1 Integral/SM-1*" from the plant system "*Crane Design Model with Y1 Integral*". There is also a dataset that generates the controller "*H-Infin Control for Overhead Crane System*" from the SM.

```
BATCH MODE INSTRUCTIONS .........
Batch to pdesign H-infinity controller for Overhead Crane
! Prepared the Design Model for the Overhead Crane and Performs H-infinity
! Design using Output Dynamic Feedback Control System
! and Kalman-Filter Gain and Estimator for the Overhead Crane
Retain System : Overhead Crane Design Model<br>Transf-Function : Integrator
System Connection: Crane Design Model with Y1 Integral
Create CSM Design: Crane Design Model with Y1 Integral/SM-1
H-Infinity Design: Overhead Crane H-Infinity Design
To Matlab Format : Overhead Crane Design Model
To Matlab Format : H-Infin Control for Overhead Crane System
SYSTEM OF TRANSFER FUNCTIONS ...
Integrator
INTERCONNECTION OF SYSTEMS .....
Crane Design Model with Y1 Integral
! Creates an Augmented plant for control Design by including the integral
! of mass-1 displacement in the states and output.
\pmb{\mathsf{r}}Titles of Systems to be Combined
Title 1 Overhead Crane Design Model
Title 2 Integrator
SYSTEM INPUTS TO SUBSYSTEM 1
                                                                          Plant(s)System Input 1 to Subsystem 1, Input 1, Gain= 1.0
                                                                          Control Force
System Input 2 to Subsystem 1, Input 2, Gain= 1.0
                                                                          Disturb Force
 SYSTEM OUTPUTS FROM SUBSYSTEM 1
                                                                          Plant Outputs
System Output 1 from Subsystem 1, Output 1, Gain= 1.0
                                                                          v1 displacem
system Output 2 from Subsystem 1, Output 2, Gain= 1.0
                                                                          theta
                                                                          y1-dot
System Output 3 from Subsystem 1, Output 3, Gain= 1.0
 SYSTEM OUTPUTS FROM SUBSYSTEM 2
                                                                          Integrator
System Output 4 from Subsystem 2, Output 1, Gain= 1.0
                                                                          y1 integral
SUBSYSTEM NO 1 GOES TO SUBSYSTEM NO 2
                                                                          Plant Outp to Control Input
Subsystem 1, Output 1 to Subsystem 2, Input 1, Gain= 1.0y1 displacem
Definitions of Inputs = 2
Control Force on m2 (Fc)
Disturb Force on m1
                  (Fd)Definitions of States =
Bottom Mass Position, y1
Top Mass Position, y2
Bottom Mass Velocity, y1-dot
Top Mass Velocity, y2-dot
Bot Mass-1 Position Integral, y1-int
Definitions of Outputs =
                      (v1)Mass-1 Displacement
Pendulum Angle
                      (theta)
                     (y1-dot)Bottom Mass Velocity,
Bot Mass1 Position-Integr (y1-int)
```
The following dataset creates the SM. It defines which of the system inputs are controls and which are disturbances. Also, which outputs are measurements and which ones are criteria. It includes also the input and output scaling gains.



The entire input file can now be processes in batch mode by running the batch set to create the Synthesis Model and the control system.

