

Robust controller design based on reduced order plants

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Two dual controller design methods are proposed for linear, time-invariant, multi-input multi-output systems, where designs based on a reduced order plant robustly stabilize higher order plants with additional poles or zeros in the stable region. The additional poles (or zeros) are considered as multiplicative perturbations of the reduced plant. The methods are tailored towards closed-loop stability and performance and they yield estimates for the stability robustness and performance of the final design. They can be considered as formalizations of two classical heuristic model reduction techniques. One method neglects a plant-pole sufficiently far to the left of dominant poles and the other cancels a sufficiently small stable plant-zero with a pole at the origin.

1. Introduction

Controllers stabilizing a complex plant and achieving a specified performance are usually at least as complex as the plant itself (Zhou *et al.* 1996). Both the computation and the implementation of such controllers are serious issues to be dealt with in control system design. There are two main approaches for simplification of the design process: (i) the first is to design the high-order controller and then to approximate it with a low-order one within an acceptable loss of performance; (ii) the second is to reduce the order of the plant model with the prospect that a low-order model will lead to a low-order controller. The drawback of the first approach is that the high-order controller computation problem is not avoided. Hence, there are various efforts to reduce the computational burden as in (Varga 2003) and the references therein. An alternative to (i) is to seek to minimize a closed-loop performance index by a fixed order controller (Ly 1982, Bernstein and Hyland 1985); however, there are many issues to be better understood in such methods as discussed in Anderson and Liu (1989). For the second approach, the main drawback is the difficulty in quantifying the loss of closed-loop performance. This is because a satisfactory approximation of the plant model requires some knowledge of the

controller in advance, and an acceptable low-order controller cannot be calculated unless the plant model is specified (Enns 1984). Hence, (ii) can only be used in an iterative scheme, where a reduced plant model is obtained, a controller is designed, performance is evaluated, and these steps are repeated until a satisfactory closed-loop system is obtained.

This paper proposes two dual methods of controller design for reduced order linear, time-invariant, multi-input multi-output (MIMO), stable or unstable systems in the general frame-work of approach (ii) above. The first method neglects poles sufficiently far from dominant poles in the stable region, and the second method reduces the plant order by canceling a zero near the origin with a pole at the origin. The proposed methods come with performance bounds on the closed-loop sensitivity and complementary sensitivity matrices and are iterative in nature. The main idea is based on perhaps the oldest heuristic reduction techniques covered in classical control textbooks (Rohrs *et al.* 1993, Kuo 1995, Ogata 1997), where controllers are first designed for reduced order plants with the “insignificant” poles deleted or for reduced order plants obtained by deleting a zero “close to the origin” together with a pole at the origin. These two seemingly contradictory methods were shown to be dual model reduction methods in Özgüler and Gündes (2002). Here, they are formalized as systematic control design methods with

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emphasis on closed-loop performance as well as stability. The main results explicitly define regions such that controllers designed for reduced order plants are guaranteed to stabilize higher order plants with poles (or zeros) in these regions while ensuring an acceptable performance. The advantage is that only the lower order model needs to be known explicitly so that stabilizing controllers can be designed. The poles (or zeros) for the higher order model need not be known, since the controller designed for the lower order model guarantees stability based on regions, not specific points.

Model reduction methods, whether they are used for the purpose of simulation or control, are developed in many different disciplines and are surveyed in Al-Saggaf and Franklin (1988), Anderson and Liu (1989) and Antoulas *et al.* (2001). Computationally attractive methods such as Padé, modal, or continued-fraction approximations or moment matching methods generally have no guaranteed stability/performance. The balanced realization method (Moore 1981), the Hankel norm approximation method (Adamjan *et al.* 1971, Kung and Lin 1981, Glover 1984), and the q -covariance equivalent method (Yousuff *et al.* 1985) are among rigorous model reduction methods that come with some kind of a performance criterion. The closed-loop performance of such order reduction methods when used for the purpose of control system design was studied recently. For example some performance bounds for the coprime factor controller reduction method of Anderson and Liu (1989) are given in Enns (1984) the frequency weighted balanced reduction method of Enns (1984) is combined with Anderson and Liu (1989) in (Liu *et al.* (1990) (see also (Varga 2003)). An interesting but heuristic study of closed-loop balanced reduction is that of Wortelboer *et al.* (1999), where an iterative procedure for plant and controller reduction in a closed-loop configuration is proposed.

Our main results apply to linear, time-invariant, MIMO continuous-time systems; they apply to discrete-time systems with minor modifications. A narrative description of the proposed order reduction methods and comparisons with some alternative approaches are in §2. Section 3 contains the main results (the dual Theorems 1 and 2) and several illustrative examples. Concluding remarks are given in §4. Preliminary versions of these results were presented in Özgüler and Gündeş (2003).

The following notation is used: \mathbf{S} denotes stable proper real rational functions of s (real-rational H_∞ functions); $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$ denotes matrices whose entries are in \mathbf{S} ; $U \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$ is unimodular iff $U^{-1} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$; \mathbf{R}_p denotes proper and \mathbf{R}_s denotes strictly-proper rational functions; $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_p)$ and $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$ denote matrices whose entries are in \mathbf{R}_p and \mathbf{R}_s , respectively; $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}_-$ denote real, complex, and left-half plane complex numbers. The H_∞ -norm of

a matrix $M(s) \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$ is denoted by $\|M(s)\|$ (i.e., the norm $\|\cdot\|$ is defined as $\|M\| = \sup_{s \in \partial\mathcal{U}} \bar{\sigma}(M(s))$, where $\bar{\sigma}$ denotes the maximum singular value and $\partial\mathcal{U}$ denotes the boundary of the extended closed right-half-plane \mathcal{U}). For simplicity, we drop (s) in transfer matrices such as $G(s)$.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we describe the proposed methods of designing controllers based on reduced order versions of the plant, and provide a brief comparison with standard robustness approaches. We consider a high-order plant G_h and a low-order version G_l obtained from G_h either (a) by deleting some of its poles, or (b) by cancelling some of its zeros by its poles at the origin (in such poles exist). Our goal is to answer the following questions. Let H_l be a stabilizing controller for G_l . Can we put limitations on the performance of H_l in the closed-loop system (G_l, H_l) such that it is also a stabilizing controller for G_h ? If so, can we estimate a bound on the performance of (G_h, H_l) ?

Theorem 1 of §3 deals with case (a) above. It shows that if H_l is a stabilizing controller for C_l and achieves a sufficiently quenched complementary sensitivity function for the closed-loop (G_l, H_l) at high-frequencies, then H_l also stabilizes G_h and achieves a complementary sensitivity with similar high-frequency characteristics for the closed-loop (G_h, H_l) . A lower and upper bound on the H_∞ -norm the sensitivity of (G_h, H_l) is also derived in Theorem 1. Theorem 2 deals with case (b) above. It shows that if H_l is a stabilizing controller for G_l and achieves a sufficiently quenched sensitivity function for the closed-loop (G_l, H_l) at low-frequencies, then H_l also stabilizes G_h and achieves a sensitivity with similar low-frequency characteristics for the closed-loop (G_h, H_l) . A lower and upper bound on the H_∞ -norm of the complementary sensitivity of (G_h, H_l) is also derived in Theorem 2. In both cases, the crucial question of whether G_l admits a stabilizing controller with a good enough closed-loop performance can be settled by solving a standard H_∞ -optimization problem as detailed in Remarks 2 and 8 in §3.

In both (a) and (b), the high-order plant G_h can be regarded as a multiplicatively perturbed version of G_l since it can be expressed as $G_h = (1 - \Delta)G_l$ for a stable transfer function Δ satisfying $\Delta = 1$. Although the stability aspect of the order reduction problem can be approached via the existing standard robustness results such as those in Doyle and Stein (1981) there are two problems with this perturbation approach. Let $T_l = G_l H_l (I + G_l H_l)^{-1}$ be the complementary sensitivity matrix associated with (G_l, H_l) . By Doyle and Stein (1981) (also Anderson and Liu (1989)),

H_l stabilizes G_h if $\|\Delta T_l\| < 1$. First, since $\|\Delta\| = 1$ is independent of insignificant poles/zeros, writing $\|\Delta T_l\| \leq \|\Delta\| \|T_l\| = \|T_l\| < 1$ simply says that closed-loop stability is guaranteed regardless of the candidate insignificant poles/zeros if $\|T_l\| < 1$. This path does not lead to identifying insignificant regions for stability. The second problem is a technical one: A main assumption in Doyle and Stein (1981) is that G_l and G_h have identical residues at the imaginary-axis poles. This assumption is not being made in this paper when we consider case (b) (the multiplicity of the pole at the origin is different in G_l than in G_h) so that results from perturbation approach are not directly applicable to case (b). Therefore, to use a perturbation approach even for assessing closed-loop stability, some modification of the standard robustness results would be needed.

3. Main results

This section is organized as follows: We first define various quantities that are used in the statements of the main results. In §3.1, Lemma 1 gives a controller synthesis procedure based on significant poles focusing on closed-loop stability only. In Theorem 1, this procedure is extended to cover both closed-loop stability and performance. Lemma 2 and Theorem 2 in §3.2 state dual results for insignificant zeros. The case of complex conjugate pairs of poles/zeros is significantly more involved than the real poles/zeros. Corollary 1 in §3.1 shows that constraining the candidate insignificant poles to the real-axis results in considerable simplifications.

Let $-\epsilon_i \in \mathbb{C}_-$ and define

$$\begin{aligned} a_i &:= \operatorname{Re}(1/\epsilon_i) < 0, & b_i &:= |\operatorname{Im}(1/\epsilon_i)| \geq 0, \\ m_i &:= |1/\epsilon_i| = (a_i^2 + b_i^2)^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Let $\Delta_0 := 0$. For $i = 1, \dots, \rho$, define $\Delta_i \in \mathbf{S}$ by

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \Delta_i &:= \frac{1}{\epsilon_i s + 1}, & \epsilon_i &\in \mathbb{R}, \\ 1 - \Delta_i &:= \frac{1}{(\epsilon_i s + 1)(\bar{\epsilon}_i s + 1)}, & \epsilon_i &\notin \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Consider ρ_1 real numbers $\epsilon_i \in \mathbb{R}$, and $\rho_2 = \rho - \rho_1$ complex-conjugate pairs $\epsilon_i, \bar{\epsilon}_i \notin \mathbb{R}$. Let

$$r_i := \left\| \frac{\Delta_i}{s} \right\| = \begin{cases} \epsilon_i & \epsilon_i \in \mathbb{R}, \\ 2a_i/m_i^2 & \epsilon_i \notin \mathbb{R}, \quad m_i^2 \leq 4a_i^2(\sqrt{2} - 1), \\ \sqrt{2[m_i(m_i^2 + 8a_i^2)]^{1/2} - (m_i^2 + 2a_i^2)} & \epsilon_i \notin \mathbb{R}, \quad m_i^2 > 4a_i^2(\sqrt{2} - 1). \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

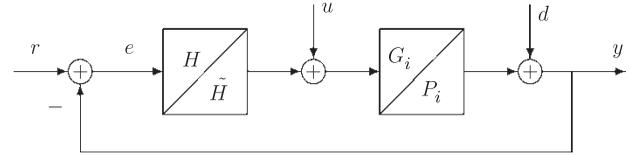


Figure 1. Unity-feedback control system.

It is assumed that the indices $\{1, \dots, \rho\}$ of $\epsilon_i \in \mathbb{C}$ are ordered such that $r_i > r_{i+1}$. Define

$$M_i = \max\{a_i, b_i\}, \quad q_i := \|1 - \Delta_i\| = (M_i/a_i + a_i/M_i)/2. \quad (4)$$

Obviously, when $\epsilon_i \in \mathbb{R}$, $b_i = 0$ implies $M_i = a_i$, $q_i = 1$; otherwise, $q_i = 1$ when $a_i \geq b_i$, and $q_i = (a_i^2 + b_i^2)/2a_i b_i \geq 1$ when $b_i > a_i$. For $k \in \{0, \dots, \rho - 1\}$, and $k + 1 \leq i \leq \rho$, define R_{ki} as

$$R_{ki} := r_{k+1} + \sum_{j=k+2}^i r_j \prod_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} q_\ell. \quad (5)$$

Now let $\tilde{\Delta}_i(s) := \Delta_i(1/s)$ so that $\tilde{\Delta}_0 = 0$ and for $i = 1, \dots, \rho$, $\tilde{\Delta}_i$ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i &= 1 - \Delta_i(1/s) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_i/s + 1} = \frac{s}{s + \epsilon_i}, & \epsilon_i &\in \mathbb{R}, \\ 1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i &= 1 - \Delta_i(1/s) = \frac{1}{(\epsilon_i/s + 1)(\bar{\epsilon}_i/s + 1)} \\ &= \frac{s^2}{(s + \epsilon_i)(s + \bar{\epsilon}_i)}, & \epsilon_i &\notin \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

If $\epsilon_i \in \mathbb{R}$, then $1 - \Delta_i(s)$ has a pole at $-1/\epsilon_i$. Under the transformation $s \rightarrow s^{-1}$, the dual term $1/[1 - \Delta_i(1/s)] = 1 + \epsilon_i/s$ has a zero at $-\epsilon_i$. It is easy to see that with r_i, q_i as in (3) and (4),

$$\|s\tilde{\Delta}_i\| = \left\| \frac{\Delta_i}{s} \right\| = r_i, \quad \|1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i\| = \|1 - \Delta_i\| = q_i. \quad (7)$$

3.1 Insignificant poles

Consider the unity-feedback system shown in figure 1. Let $G \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_p)$ be the plant's transfer matrix, $H \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_p)$ be the controller's transfer matrix. Let $G = ND^{-1}$ be a right-coprime-factorization (RCF), $H = D_c^{-1}N_c$ be a left-coprime-factorization (LCF) over \mathbf{S} . Let Δ_i be defined as in (2). For $i = 1, \dots, \rho$, suppose that $\prod_{j=1}^i (1 - \Delta_j)I$ is a multiplicative perturbation on the plant G . Define $G_0 := (1 - \Delta_0)G = G$,

$N_0 := (1 - \Delta_0)N = N$, and G_i, N_i as

$$\begin{aligned} G_i &:= (1 - \Delta_i)G_{i-1} = G \prod_{j=1}^i (1 - \Delta_j), \\ N_i &:= (1 - \Delta_i)N_{i-1} = N \prod_{j=1}^i (1 - \Delta_j), \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

where, for $k=0, \dots, \rho-1, k+1 \leq i \leq \rho$,

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \Delta_\ell) &= 1 - \left[\Delta_{k+1} + \sum_{j=k+2}^i \Delta_j \prod_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} (1 - \Delta_\ell) \right] \\ &=: 1 - \Phi_i. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Clearly, $G_i = N_i D^{-1}$ is an RCF of G_i . For $i=1, \dots, \rho$, with G_i as the plant in the unity-feedback system, the sensitivity function S_i (i.e., the input-to-error transfer-function) and the complementary sensitivity function $T_i = I - S_i$ (i.e., the input-to-output transfer-function) are

$$S_i = (I + G_i H)^{-1}, \quad T_i = G_i H (I + G_i H)^{-1}. \quad (10)$$

We start formal statement of the results with Lemma 1, which in its simplest form states that if H stabilizes a plant G and if $-1/\epsilon < -\|sGH(1 + GH)^{-1}\|$, then H also stabilizes the higher order plant $G/(\epsilon s + 1)$. In other words, if the plant to be stabilized is $G/(\epsilon s + 1)$, then the controller H designed to stabilize the lower order plant G also works for the original plant. The insignificant pole at $s = -1/\epsilon$ need not be known explicitly; any pole satisfying the norm bound can be in the higher order model. A similar conclusion was stated in Smith and Sodergeld (1986) but only for scalar plants with stable controllers; it was also independently used in Gündes and Kabuli (2001) to establish a simultaneous stabilization result. This lemma can also be proved as a corollary to the result in Doyle and Stein (1981). In Lemma 1, it is assumed that $G_k H$ is strictly-proper, equivalently $T_k = G_k H (I + G_k H)^{-1} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$, $S_k(\infty) = I$. For $k \geq 1$, $1 - \Delta_k \in \mathbf{R}_s$ implies $G_k H = (1 - \Delta_k)G_{k-1}H \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$; hence this assumption is automatically satisfied. For $k=0$, $GH \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$ if $G \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$ or $H \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$. Any controller $H = D_c^{-1}N_c$ stabilizing $G = ND^{-1}$ can be modified easily to make it strictly-proper using

$$H = [(I + BN_c N)D_c]^{-1}(I - BD_c D)N_c, \quad (11)$$

where $B := (D_c D)(\infty)^{-1}$. Therefore, there is no loss of generality in assuming $G_k H \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$, with the controller chosen strictly-proper as necessary.

Lemma 1: *Suppose that H is a stabilizing controller for the plant G_k for some $k \in \{0, \dots, \rho-1\}$, where $G_k H \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$. If*

$$r_i < \|sT_{i-1}\|^{-1}, \quad \text{for } i \geq k+1, \quad (12)$$

then the same H stabilizes the higher order plants $G_i = (1 - \Delta_i)G_{i-1} = \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \Delta_\ell)G_k$.

Lemma 1 justifies and generalizes to the MIMO case methods in which a stabilizing controller is determined by neglecting the insignificant poles in a loop-gain transfer function and performing the design on the lower order approximation G . The terms that are discarded are such that the low-frequency gains $G(0)$ and $G_k(0)$ in (8) are the same. Based on condition (12), a real pole at $-1/\epsilon_i$ of (8) is insignificant if $-1/\epsilon_i < -\|sT_{i-1}\|$, i.e., if it is sufficiently far from the origin in the left-half complex plane. A complex-conjugate pair of poles $\epsilon_i, \bar{\epsilon}_i$ that has $-1/r_i$ to the left of the line at $\|sT_{i-1}\|$, would be guaranteed as insignificant. The condition (12) (as well as the condition (13) in Theorem 1 below) requires a ‘‘high-frequency performance’’ from H (see Remark 1 below). This is reasonable to expect since if a controller is highly robust at high frequencies, then it can also tolerate as high a ‘‘disturbance’’ as the introduction of an extra pole at those frequencies to the plant. The definition of an insignificant pole obviously depends on the controller choice due to dependence of $\|sT_{i-1}\|$'s on the controller H . Theorem 1 incorporates closed-loop performance to Lemma 1.

Theorem 1: *Let H be a stabilizing controller for the plant G_k for some $k \in \{0, \dots, \rho-1\}$, where $G_k H \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$. For $k+1 \leq i \leq \rho$, let R_{ki} be as in (5) and $\alpha_i := \|sT_{i-1}\|$. If $R_{k\rho} < \|sT_k\|^{-1}$, i.e., if*

$$\|sT_k\| = (R_{k\rho} + \delta)^{-1} \quad (13)$$

for some $\delta > 0$, then for $k+1 \leq i \leq \rho$, the same controller H also stabilizes $G_i = (1 - \Delta_i)G_{i-1} = \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \Delta_\ell)G_k$. Furthermore, $\|sT_i\|$ satisfies

$$\|sT_i\| \leq \left(R_{i\rho} + \delta \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell^{-1} \right)^{-1}, \quad (14)$$

and the following sensitivity and complementary sensitivity bounds are achieved:

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + r_i \alpha_i)^{-1} \|S_{i-1}\| &\leq \|S_i\| \leq (1 - r_i \alpha_i)^{-1} \|S_{i-1}\|, \\ (1 + R_{ki} \alpha_{k+1})^{-1} \|S_k\| &\leq \|S_i\| \leq (1 - R_{ki} \alpha_{k+1})^{-1} \|S_k\|, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + r_i \alpha_i)^{-1} (\|T_{i-1}\| - r_i \alpha_i) &\leq \|T_i\| \leq (1 - r_i \alpha_i)^{-1} \\ &\times \min\{\|T_{i-1}\| + r_i \alpha_i, q_i \|T_{i-1}\|\}, \\ (1 + R_{ki} \alpha_{k+1})^{-1} (\|T_k\| - R_{ki} \alpha_{k+1}) &\leq \|T_i\| \leq (1 - R_{ki} \alpha_{k+1})^{-1} \\ &\times \min\left\{ \|T_k\| + R_{ki} \alpha_{k+1}, \|T_k\| \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Condition (13) simplifies considerably when all candidate insignificant poles are real.

Corollary 1: *Suppose that all $\epsilon_i \in \mathbb{R}$ for $k+1 \leq i \leq \rho$. Under the assumptions of Theorem 1, if there exists a real $\delta > 0$ such that*

$$\|sT_k\| = \left(\sum_{j=k+1}^{\rho} \epsilon_j + \delta \right)^{-1}, \quad (17)$$

then the same controller H also stabilizes G_i , $k+1 \leq i \leq \rho$, and satisfies $\|sT_i\| \leq (\sum_{j=i+1}^{\rho} \epsilon_j + \delta)^{-1}$.

Remark 1: Condition (13) is a high-frequency performance requirement on the plant G_k . In the scalar case, this condition is equivalent to $\sup_{\omega \geq 0} |\omega| \times |T_k(j\omega)| \leq (\delta + R_{k\rho})^{-1}$, which implies $|T_k(j\omega)| \leq (\omega(\delta + R_{k\rho}))^{-1}$ for all $\omega \geq 0$. This means in particular that $|T_k(j\omega)| < 1$ for all $\omega \geq R_{k\rho}^{-1}$. By Theorem 1, a similar performance holds true for each plant G_i , $i \in [k+1, \rho]$ stabilized by the same controller. If G_i has a pole in the open-right-half plane and its associated complementary sensitivity function T_i has small magnitude over some frequency range, then its H_∞ -norm must necessarily get large (Francis and Zames 1984, § V). The bounds in (16) show that $\|T_i\|$ nevertheless remains bounded by a multiple of $\|T_k\|$ and $\|sT_k\|$ (similar comments apply to $\|S_i\|$). In the MIMO case, (13) implies $\bar{\sigma}(T_k(j\omega)) \leq (\omega(\delta + R_{k\rho}))^{-1}$ for all $\omega \geq 0$.

Remark 2: The high-frequency requirement (13) can be represented in terms of the plant G_k and any nominal stabilizing controller H_o for G_k . For any LCF $H_o = D_{co}^{-1}N_{co}$, H_o stabilizes G_k if and only if $U_k = D_{co}D + N_{co}N_k$ is unimodular. Let $G_k = \tilde{D}_k^{-1}\tilde{N}_k$ be any LCF of G_k . All stabilizing controllers for G_k are expressed as $(D_{co} - Q\tilde{N}_k)^{-1}(N_{co} - Q\tilde{D}_k)$, where $Q \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$. Suppose that for some $\delta > 0$, $\min_Q \|sN_k U_k^{-1}(N_{co} - Q\tilde{D}_k)\| = (\delta + R_{k\rho})^{-1}$; the minimum is taken over all $Q \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$ such that $N_k U_k^{-1}(N_{co} - Q\tilde{D}_k)$ is strictly-proper. If Q_* denotes the argument minimum of $\|sN_k U_k^{-1}(N_{co} - Q\tilde{D}_k)\|$, then the controller $D_c^{-1}N_c := (D_{co} - Q_*\tilde{N}_k)^{-1}(N_{co} - Q_*\tilde{D}_k)$ satisfies $D_c D + N_c N_k = U_k$ and $\|sN_k U_k^{-1}N_c\| = (\delta + R_{k\rho})^{-1}$. Thus (13) holds if and only if $\min_Q \|sN_k U_k^{-1}(N_{co} - Q\tilde{D}_k)\| < R_{k\rho}^{-1}$, which is a well-known H_∞ -problem (Francis 1987, Doyle *et al.* 1989).

Remark 3: Using the consequence (14) of (13), we have $\alpha_i \leq (\delta + R_{k\rho})^{-1}$ for $i \in [1, \rho]$. Conditions (14) hence remain valid when α_i is replaced by $(\delta + R_{k\rho})^{-1}$ everywhere it occurs. This gives sensitivity and complementary sensitivity bounds in terms of insignificant poles and the positive constant δ . The resulting bounds, however, are looser than the bounds in terms of α_i .

Remark 4: Theorem 1 provides an iterative reduction procedure, which normally starts out without any of the left-half plane poles $\{-1/\epsilon_i, i=1, \dots, \rho\}$ and checks if (13) can be satisfied by a stabilizing controller for G . If not, then the pole(s) $-1/\epsilon_i$ are appended to G , starting with the one “closest” to the imaginary-axis. In the case of real poles, if $\epsilon_i < \epsilon_j$ for some $i, j \in [1, \rho]$, then the pole $-1/\epsilon_j$ is closer to the imaginary-axis, i.e., $-1/\epsilon_j > -1/\epsilon_i$. When all candidate insignificant poles are real (and hence $q_\ell = 1$), we can easily explain why it is reasonable to start the reduction algorithm by appending the right-most real pole to increase the order: Consider two possibilities, $G_1^\ell = (1 - \Delta_1^\ell)G$, $G_1^m = (1 - \Delta_1^m)G$, with $\epsilon_1^\ell > \epsilon_1^m$. Since $(\delta + \epsilon_1^\ell + \sum_{j=2}^{\rho} r_j)^{-1} \leq (\delta + \epsilon_1^m + \sum_{j=2}^{\rho} r_j)^{-1}$, the upper-bound in (13) on $\|sT_1^\ell\|$ is larger than the one on $\|sT_1^m\|$ (for a controller that achieves similar values for these norms); i.e., for G_1^ℓ and G_1^m having similar high frequency performances, (13) is easier to satisfy with G_1^ℓ than with G_1^m . Although this simple justification explains why we increase the order by including the right-most real pole, we cannot state a similar easy rule in the case of complex-conjugate pairs of candidate insignificant poles since $q_\ell \geq 1$ and the imaginary parts also affect (13).

Remark 5: Based on (17), a real pole at $-1/\epsilon_i$ to the left of the line at $-\|sT_k\|$ can be considered insignificant for order reduction. As $\|sT_k\|$ gets smaller, this line at $-\alpha_{k+1}$ moves closer to the imaginary-axis, enlarging the region for insignificant poles.

Example 1: Consider the single-input single-output plant

$$G_2 = \frac{g(s+z)}{(\epsilon_1 s + 1)(\epsilon_2 s + 1)(s-p)} = \frac{1}{(\epsilon_1 s + 1)(\epsilon_2 s + 1)} G_o$$

with $g, z, p \in \mathbb{R}$, $z > 0$. Let $c \in \mathbb{R}$ be such that $c > -p$. A coprime-factorization of $G = G_o$ is $G = ND^{-1} = (g(s+z)/(s+p+c))((s+p)/(s+p+c))^{-1}$. Then $H = (c/g(s+z))$ is a stabilizing controller for G , and GH is strictly-proper. From (10), $T_0 = (c/(s+p+c))$, $S_0 = I - T_0 = D$, and $\alpha_1 := \|sT_0\| = c$. By Theorem 1, there exists $\delta > 0$ satisfying (13) for $k=0$ if and only if $c < R_{o\rho}^{-1}$. Obviously, it is possible to choose $c \in \mathbb{R}$ to satisfy this constraint for any set of insignificant poles provided $-p < R_{o\rho}^{-1}$.

- (a) First consider two real candidate insignificant poles at $-1/\epsilon_2 < -1/\epsilon_1$, $\epsilon_1 = 5$, $\epsilon_2 = 1$. Suppose $-p < 1/6$. If we choose $c = 1/8 < 1/(\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2)$, then by (13), $\delta = 2$. By Theorem 1, the controller $H = (0.125/g(s+z))$ that was designed to stabilize the lower order system $G = G_o$ also stabilizes the higher order plant $G_1 = G_o/(5s+1)$ and the original plant $G_2 = G_1/(s+1)$.

(b) Instead of two real poles, now consider a complex-conjugate pair of insignificant poles at $-1/\epsilon_1, -1/\bar{\epsilon}_1$. First let $1/\epsilon_1 = 0.2 + j0.15$, i.e., $\epsilon_1 = 3.2 - j2.4$, $r_1 = 6.4$, $q_1 = 1$, as in (3) and (4). If we choose $c = 1/8 < 1/r_1$, then $\delta = 1.6$. By (13), the same controller H also stabilizes the original higher order plant $G_2 = G/(16s^2 + 6.4s + 1)$. For a different choice, let $1/\epsilon_1 = 0.16 + j1$, i.e., $\epsilon_1 = 0.156 + j0.975$, $r_1 = 3.2775$, $q_1 = 3.205$. If we choose $c = 1/8 < 1/r_1$, then $\delta = 4.7225$. By (13), the same controller H also stabilizes the original higher order plant $G_2 = G_o/(0.975s^2 + 0.312s + 1)$.

We now verify the bounds in (14)–(16) by tabulating the norms of the sensitivity function in (18)–(19). For this purpose we used the two different values $p = 0$ and $p = 0.1$ for the plant pole at $s = p$

Example 2: Consider a single-input single-output,

also explore two other full-order observer-based controllers and the corresponding guaranteed region for insignificant poles: A state-space representation (A, B, C, D) for G_o is given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.25 & -3.375 & 0.84375 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B = [1 \ 0 \ 0]^T, \quad C = [1 \ 0 \ 0.5625], \quad D = 0.$$

We place the eigenvalues of $(A - BF)$ at $\{-0.6, -0.7, -0.8\}$ and the eigenvalues of $(A - LC)$ at $\{-1, -0.8, \pm j0.2\}$ using $F = [2.35 \ -1.915 \ 1.1797]$ and $L^T = [2.963 \ 0.3391 \ -0.2009]$. For the third-order stable controller

$\epsilon_1 = 5, \quad \epsilon_2 = 1$		
	$p = 0$	$p = -0.1$
$\ sT_0\ , \ T_0\ , \ S_0\ $	$c, 1, 1$	$c, 5, 4$
$\ sT_1\ , \ T_1\ , \ S_1\ $	$c, 1.0193, 1.3247$	$0.25, 5, 4.1798$
$\ sT_2\ , \ T_2\ , \ S_2\ $	$0.1407, 1.0862, 1.4813$	$0.332, 5.594, 5.2107$

(18)

$\epsilon_1 = 3.2 - j2.4$			$\epsilon_1 = 0.156 - j0.975$	
	$p = 0$	$p = -1/10$	$p = 0$	$p = -0.1$
$\ sT_0\ , \ T_0\ , \ S_0\ $	$c, 1, 1$	$c, 5, 4$	$c, 1, 1$	$c, 5, 4$
$\ sT_1\ , \ T_1\ , \ S_1\ $	$0.196, 1.302, 1.8888$	$0.4676, 6.377, 6.3398$	$0.6652, 1, 1.6609$	$0.6674, 5, 4$

(19)

unstable, non-minimum phase, strictly-proper plant

$$G_i = \frac{32s^2 + 18}{(4s - 1)(8s^2 + 27)} \prod_{i=1}^{\rho} \frac{1}{(\epsilon_i s + 1)} = G_o \prod_{i=1}^{\rho} \frac{1}{(\epsilon_i s + 1)}$$

where $G = G_o$ has poles on the imaginary-axis. Clearly, G_o is stabilized by any constant controller $H_1 > 1.5$. If we choose $H_1 = 3.37$, then $\alpha_1 = \|sT_0\| = 3.37$, with closed-loop poles at $\{-0.5199, -1.300 \pm j0.5777\}$. By Theorem 1, (13) holds for $k = 0$ if and only if $R_{0\rho} < 1/\alpha_1 = 0.2967$. For example, a single pole at $-1/\epsilon_1 < -3.37$ is guaranteed to be insignificant; if $\epsilon_1 = 0.25$, then the controller $H_1 = 3.37$ also stabilizes the higher order plant $G_1 = G_o/(0.25s + 1)$ (equivalently, the controller $4H_1$ stabilizes $G_o/(s + 4)$), with closed-loop poles at $\{-0.4528 \pm j0.3460, -1.4222 \pm j3.3063\}$. We

$$H_2 := F(sI - A + BF + LC)^{-1}L$$

$$= \frac{6.0767s^2 - 8.1404s + 3.5927}{s^3 + 4.95s^2 + 0.9858s + 2.1243},$$

we obtain $\alpha_1 = \|sT_0\| = 1.8406$. Any single real pole to the left of $-\alpha_1 = -1.8406$ is guaranteed to be insignificant. For example, the higher order plant $G_1 = G_o/(0.5s + 1)$ is also stabilized using H_2 , with closed-loop poles at $\{-5.5303, -0.3756 \pm j2.2365, -0.1671 \pm j0.7150, -0.0422 \pm j0.1674\}$. Obviously, any number of insignificant poles can be added to G_o provided that $R_{0\rho} < 1/\alpha_1 = 0.5433$. Alternatively, if we design the full-order observer-based controller using the following LQR design, we obtain a similar region of guaranteed insignificant poles: Using $Q = 0.1I$, $R = 1$, we find

$F_3 = [0.8833 \ 0.1193 \ 1.7448]$; using $Q = 50BB^T$, $R = 1$, we find $L_3^T = [7.0860 \ 0.0624 \ 0.4635]$. For the third-order stable controller

$$H_3 := F_3(sI - A - BF_3 + L_3C)^{-1}L_3 = \frac{7.0753s^2 + 0.9096s + 15.1593}{s^3 + 7.98s^2 + 3.0589s + 5.7641},$$

we obtain $\alpha_1 = \|sT_0\| = 2.0138$, with closed-loop poles at $\{-6.6589, -0.2653, -0.1840 \pm j1.8338, -0.2189 \pm j0.7501\}$. Using H_3 , any number of insignificant poles can be added to G provided that $R_{0\rho} < 1/\alpha_1 = 0.4966$.

Example 3:

- (a) Consider an MIMO plant represented by its transfer-function
Consider the lower order system G_o in (20). An RCF of

$$G_3 = \prod_{i=1}^3 \frac{1}{(\epsilon_i s + 1)} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{(s+1)(s+6)(s-4)}{(5s+8)(s^2+40)} \\ \frac{-(s+1)(s+6)(s-4)}{(s+2)(5s+8)(s^2+40)} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} G_o = \frac{1}{(0.03s+1)(0.02s+1)(0.01s+1)} G_o.$$

$$G = G_o \text{ is } G = ND^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{(s-4)}{(5s+8)} & \frac{s}{(2s+3)} & 0 \\ \frac{-(s-4)}{(s+2)(5s+8)} & \frac{s(s+1)}{(s+2)(2s+3)} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s^2+40}{(s+1)(s+6)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{s-3}{s+6} & \frac{-(s-1)}{s+6} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}.$$

A stabilizing controller for G_o is

$$H = D_c^{-1}N_c = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5(s+1)}{5s+8} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2(s-3)}{2s+3} & \frac{2(s-3)(s-1)}{(2s+3)(s+6)} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{38(s+1)}{(s+2)(s+6)} & \frac{-38}{s+6} \\ \frac{27}{(s+2)(s+6)} & \frac{27}{s+6} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{21}$$

From (10), $T_0 = NN_c$, and $\alpha_1 := \|sT_0\| = 15.1266$. By Theorem 1, there exists $\delta > 0$ satisfying (13)

for $k=0$ if and only if $\alpha_1 < R_{03}^{-1}$. With $\epsilon_1 = 0.03$, $\epsilon_2 = 0.02$, $\epsilon_3 = 0.01$, we have $\delta = \alpha_1^{-1} - \sum_{j=1}^3 \epsilon_j = 0.0061 > 0$. Therefore, the controller H also stabilizes the higher order plants $G_i = G_{i-1}/(\epsilon_i s + 1)$, i.e., $G_1 = G_o/(0.03s + 1)$ and $G_2 = G_1/(0.02s + 1) = G_o/(0.03s + 1)(0.02s + 1)$ and the original plant G_3 in (20).

- (b) Now consider the MIMO plant

$$G_2 = \frac{2125}{(s^2 + 70s + 2125)(0.025s + 1)} G_o,$$

where G_o is the same as in (20). The candidate insignificant poles are at $-1/\epsilon_1 = -(35 + j30)$, $-1/\bar{\epsilon}_1$ and $-1/\epsilon_2 = -40$. With $a_1 > b_1$, $q_1 = 1$, $r_1 = 0.0329$, $r_2 = 0.025 < r_1$, we have $\delta = \alpha_1^{-1} - R_{03} = \alpha_1^{-1} - (r_1 + r_2 q_1) = 0.0082 > 0$. By Theorem 1, the controller H in (21) stabilizes the higher order plants $G_1 = G/(\epsilon_1 s + 1)(\bar{\epsilon}_1 s + 1) = (2125/(s^2 +$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} \frac{s(s+6)}{(2s+3)(s-3)} & \frac{s(s-1)}{(2s+3)(s-3)} \\ \frac{s(s+1)(s+6)}{(s+2)(2s+3)(s-3)} & \frac{s(s^2-1)}{(s+2)(2s+3)(s-3)} \end{matrix} \right] G_o \tag{20}$$

$70s + 2125))G_o$ and the original plant $G_2 = G_1/(0.025s + 1)$.

- (c) Now consider the MIMO plant

$$G_2 = \frac{2125}{(s^2 + 60s + 2125)(0.025s + 1)} G_o$$

where G_o is the same as in (20). This time $-1/\epsilon_1 = -(30 + j35)$, with $a_1 < b_1$. Then $q_1 = 1.0119$, $r_1 = 0.0308$, $r_2 = 0.025 < r_1$, $\delta = \alpha_1^{-1} - R_{03} = 0.01 > 0$. Again, by Theorem 1, the controller H in (21) stabilizes the higher order plants $G_1 = G/(\epsilon_1 s + 1)(\bar{\epsilon}_1 s + 1) = (2125/(s^2 + 60s + 2125))G_o$ and the original plant $G_2 = G_1/(0.025s + 1)$.

3.2 Insignificant zeros

Consider the unity-feedback system again. Let $P \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_p)$ be the plant's transfer matrix, $\tilde{H} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_p)$ be the controller's transfer matrix. Let $P = \tilde{D}^{-1}\tilde{N}$ be an LCF, $\tilde{H} = \tilde{N}_c \tilde{D}_c^{-1}$ be and RCF over \mathbf{S} . Let P be full row-rank and have no transmission-zeros at $s=0$, equivalently, let $\tilde{N}(0)$ be full row-rank.

Let $\tilde{\Delta}_i$ be defined as in (6). For $i = 1, \dots, \rho$, suppose that $\prod_{j=1}^i (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_j)^{-1} I$ is a multiplicative perturbation on the plant P . Define $P_0 := (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_0)^{-1} P = P$, $\tilde{D}_0 := (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_0)\tilde{D} = \tilde{D}$, and P_i, \tilde{D}_i as

$$P_i := (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i)^{-1} P_{i-1} = P \prod_{j=1}^i (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_j)^{-1},$$

$$\tilde{D}_i := (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i) \tilde{D}_{i-1} = \tilde{D} \prod_{j=1}^i (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_j), \quad (22)$$

where, for $k=0, \dots, \rho-1, k+1 \leq i \leq \rho$,

$$\prod_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_\ell) = 1 - \left[\tilde{\Delta}_{k+1} + \sum_{j=k+2}^i \tilde{\Delta}_j \prod_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_\ell) \right]$$

$$=: 1 - \tilde{\Phi}_i. \quad (23)$$

Clearly, $P_i = \tilde{D}_i^{-1} \tilde{N}_i$ is an LCF of P_i . For $i=1, \dots, \rho$, with P_i as the plant in the unity-feedback control system, the sensitivity function S_i and the complementary sensitivity function $T_i = I - S_i$ are given by (10), with P_i, \tilde{H} replacing G_i, H .

In §3.1, $1 - \Delta_i(s)$ has a pole at $-1/\epsilon_i$ (or a complex-conjugate pair of poles at $-1/\epsilon_i, -1/\bar{\epsilon}_i$); here, $1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i(1/s) = 1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i(s)$ has a zero at $-\epsilon_i$ (or a complex-conjugate pair of zeros at $-\epsilon_i, -\bar{\epsilon}_i$). Therefore, P can be considered as a reduced order plant obtained from the higher order plant $P_\rho = \prod_{j=1}^\rho (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_j)^{-1} P$ by canceling zeros in the stable region with poles at the origin. The order of P_ρ is $\rho_1 + 2\rho_2$ more than the of P ; the additional ρ_1 (negative) real zeros at $-\epsilon_i$ and the $\rho_2 = \rho - \rho_1$ pairs of complex-conjugate zeros at $-\epsilon_i, \bar{\epsilon}_i$ of P_ρ are called candidate insignificant zeros; P_ρ has ρ additional poles at $s=0$. It is clear that the insignificant poles represented by the perturbation $1 - \Delta_i(s)$ in §3.1 and the insignificant zeros represented by the perturbation $(1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i(1/s))^{-1}$ in this section are dual concepts. The equality of the norms $\|\Delta_i/s\| = \|s\Delta_i(1/s)\|$ and $\|1 - \Delta_i(s)\| = \|1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i(1/s)\|$ as stated in (7) help to establish similar results for insignificant zeros through the transformation $s \rightarrow s^{-1}$.

In §3.1, where $1 - \Delta_k(\infty) = 0$, it was assumed that $G_k H$ is strictly-proper, equivalently $T_k(\infty) = 0, S_k(\infty) = I$. In the dual results of this section, where $1 - \tilde{\Delta}_k(0) = 0$, it is assumed that $S_k(0) = 0 = I - T_k(0)$, which implies $P_k \tilde{H}$ has poles at $s=0$. We say that the transfer matrix $P_k \tilde{H}$ is of (type-1 or greater) iff $S_k(0) = 0$. For $k \geq 1$, $P_k \tilde{H}$ automatically has poles at $s=0$ since $\tilde{D}_k(0) = (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_k(0)) \tilde{D}_{k-1}(0)$. For $k=0$, this assumption is satisfied if $P = \tilde{D}^{-1} \tilde{N}$ is such that $\tilde{D}(0) = 0$ or if $\tilde{H} = \tilde{N}_c \tilde{D}_c^{-1}$ is such that $\tilde{D}_c(0) = 0$, in which case we say that the stabilizing controller has integral-action. Any controller $\tilde{H} = \tilde{N}_c \tilde{D}_c^{-1}$ stabilizing $P = \tilde{D}^{-1} \tilde{N}$ can be one with integral action using a simple modification as

$$\tilde{H} = \tilde{N}_c (I + \tilde{D} \tilde{D}_c \tilde{B}) [\tilde{D}_c (I - \tilde{N} \tilde{N}_c \tilde{B})]^{-1}, \quad (24)$$

where $\tilde{B} = (\tilde{N} \tilde{N}_c)(0)^{-1}$. Therefore, there is no loss of generality in assuming $S_k(0) = 0$, with the controller

chosen to have integral action as necessary. We now present a dual of Lemma 1.

Lemma 2: Suppose that \tilde{H} is a stabilizing controller for the plant P_k for some $k \in \{0, \dots, \rho-1\}$, where $P_k \tilde{H}$ is of type-1 or greater. If

$$r_i < \|s^{-1} S_{i-1}\|^{-1}, \quad \text{for } i \geq k+1, \quad (25)$$

then the same \tilde{H} stabilizes the higher order plants $P_i := (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i)^{-1} P_{i-1} = \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_\ell)^{-1} P_k$.

Lemma 2 justifies methods of stabilizing controller design where a loop-gain transfer function is approximated by a function which is of type-1 or greater. The terms that are discarded are such that the high-frequency gain of P and that of P_k in (22) are the same, i.e., each insignificant zero is cancelled with exactly one pole at the origin. A real zero $-\epsilon_i$ is insignificant, or can be discarded together with a pole at the origin, if $-\epsilon_i$ is in the interval $(-1/\beta_i, 0)$, where $\beta_i := \|s^{-1} S_{i-1}\|$, i.e., it is sufficiently close to the origin. Based on condition (25), a complex-conjugate pair of zeros are cancellable with two poles at the origin if the associated $r_i < 1/\beta_i$. We now present a dual of Theorem 1. If for some $k < \rho$, we can determine a stabilizing controller that achieves a certain closed-loop performance as measured by $\|s^{-1} S_k\|$ for P_k , then the same controller stabilizes every P_i for $i \geq k$ and has, to some degree, a guaranteed closed-loop performance.

Theorem 2: Let \tilde{H} be a stabilizing controller for the plant P_k for some $k \in \{0, \dots, \rho-1\}$, where $S_k(0) = 0$. For $k+1 \leq i \leq \rho$, let R_{ki} be as in (5) and $\beta_i := \|s^{-1} S_{i-1}\|$. If $R_{k\rho} < s^{-1} S_k^{-1}$, i.e., if

$$\|s^{-1} S_k\| = (R_{k\rho} + \tilde{\delta})^{-1} \quad (26)$$

for some $\tilde{\delta} > 0$, then for $k+1 \leq i \leq \rho$, the same controller \tilde{H} also stabilizes $P_i = (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i)^{-1} P_{i-1} = \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_\ell)^{-1} P_k$. Furthermore, $\|s^{-1} S_i\|$ satisfies

$$\|s^{-1} S_i\| \leq \left(R_{i\rho} + \tilde{\delta} \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell^{-1} \right)^{-1}, \quad (27)$$

and the following sensitivity and complementary sensitivity bounds are achieved:

$$(1 + r_i \beta_i)^{-1} (\|S_{i-1}\| - r_i \beta_i) \leq \|S_i\| \leq (1 - r_i \beta_i)^{-1}$$

$$\times \min\{(\|S_{i-1}\| + r_i \beta_i), q_i \|S_{i-1}\|\},$$

$$(1 + R_{ki} \beta_{k+1})^{-1} (\|S_k\| - R_{ki} \beta_{k+1}) \leq \|S_i\| \leq (1 - R_{ki} \beta_{k+1})^{-1}$$

$$\times \min\left\{ \|S_k\| + R_{ki} \beta_{k+1}, \|S_k\| \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell \right\}, \quad (28)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + r_i\beta_i)^{-1}\|T_{i-1}\| &\leq \|T_i\| \leq (1 - r_i\beta_i)^{-1}\|T_{i-1}\|, \\ (1 + R_{ki}\beta_{k+1})^{-1}\|T_k\| &\leq \|T_i\| \leq (1 - R_{ki}\beta_{k+1})^{-1}\|T_k\|. \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

Remark 6: Condition (26) is a low-frequency performance requirement on the plant P_k . In the scalar case, it is equivalent to $\sup_{\omega \geq 0} |\omega|^{-1} |S_k(j\omega)| \leq (\delta + R_{k\rho})^{-1}$, which implies $|S_k(j\omega)| \leq |\omega|(\delta + R_{k\rho})^{-1}$ for all $\omega \geq 0$. This means in particular that $|S_k(j\omega)| < 1$ for all $\omega \leq R_{k\rho}$. By Theorem 2, a similar performance holds true for each plant P_k , $i \in [k + 1, \rho]$, stabilized by the same controller. Again by Francis and Zames (1984), if P_k has a strict right-half plane zero and its associated sensitivity function gets small in magnitude in a frequency range, then its H_∞ -norm necessarily gets large. The bounds in (28) show that $\|S_i\|$ nevertheless remain bounded by a multiple of $\|S_k\|$ and $\|s^{-1}S_k\|$.

Remark 7: As a dual of Corollary 1, Theorem 2 is easily simplified when all insignificant zeros are real: Let all $\epsilon_i \in \mathbb{R}$ for $k + 1 \leq i \leq \rho$. If there exists a real $\delta > 0$ such that $\|s^{-1}S_k\| = (\sum_{j=k+1}^\rho \epsilon_j + \delta)^{-1}$, then \tilde{H} also stabilizes P_i and satisfies $\|s^{-1}S_i\| < (\sum_{j=i+1}^\rho \epsilon_j + \delta)^{-1}$. A real zero at $-\epsilon_i$ is cancellable if $\epsilon_i < \|s^{-1}S_k\|^{-1}$, i.e., it lies in a region between the imaginary-axis and the line at $-1/\beta_{k+1}$. As $\|s^{-1}S_k\|$ gets smaller, this region gets larger.

Remark 8: The low-frequency requirement (26) can be represented in terms of the plant P_k and nominal stabilizing controller \tilde{H}_o for P_k . For any RCF $\tilde{H}_o = \tilde{N}_{co}\tilde{D}_{co}^{-1}$, \tilde{H}_o stabilizes P_k if and only if $V_k = \tilde{D}_k\tilde{D}_{co} + \tilde{N}\tilde{N}_{co}$ is unimodular. Let $P_k = \hat{N}_k\hat{D}_k^{-1}$ be

Example 4: Consider the single-input single-output plant

$$P_2 = \frac{(s + 10)(s + 6)}{s^2} \frac{g}{(s - p)} = \frac{(s + \epsilon_1)(s + \epsilon_2)}{s^2} P_o$$

with $g, p \in \mathbb{R}$. A coprime-factorization of $P = P_o$ is $P = \tilde{D}^{-1}\tilde{N} = ((s - p)/(s + c))^{-1}(g/(s + c))$ where $c > 0$. Clearly, $\tilde{H} = (c + p)/g$ is a stabilizing controller, and if we modify it to have integral action as in (24), then $\tilde{H} = ((2c + p)s + c^2)/gs$. From (10), $S_0 = (s(s - p)/(s + c)^2)$, $T_0 = I - S_0 = (s/(s + c)^2)\tilde{H}$, and $\beta_1 := \|s^{-1}S_0\| \leq \max\{1/c, |p|/c^2\}$. By Theorem 2, (26) holds for $k = 0$ if and only if $\beta_1 < R_{0\rho}^{-1}$. Obviously, it is possible to choose $c > |p|$ in order to satisfy this constraint for any set of insignificant zeros. Suppose $p = 8$.

- (a) First consider two real candidate insignificant zeros at $-\epsilon_1 < -\epsilon_2$, where $\epsilon_1 = 10, \epsilon_2 = 6$. If we choose $c = 20 > \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2$, then $\beta_1 = 0.0273$, and by (26), $\delta = 20.675$. The controller $\tilde{H} = ((48s + 400)/s)$ also stabilizes the higher order plant $P_1 = ((s + 10)/s)P_o$, and the original higher order plant $P_2 = (s + 10)/sP_o$, and the original higher order plant $P_2 = ((s + 6)/s)P_1$.
- (b) Instead of these two real zeros, now consider a complex-conjugate pair of insignificant zeros at $-\epsilon_1, -\bar{\epsilon}_1$, with $\epsilon_1 = -10 + j5, 1/\epsilon_1 = 0.08 + j0.04, r_1 = 20, q_1 = 1$. With $c = 20, \delta = 16.675$ by (26); the same controller \tilde{H} also stabilizes the original higher order plant $P_2 = ((s^2 + 20s + 125)/s^2)P$.

The bounds in (27)–(29) are easily verified from (30) for the real and complex-conjugate zeros considered

	$\epsilon_1 = 6, \epsilon_2 = 10$	$\epsilon_1 = 10 + 5j$
$\ s^{-1}S_0\ , \ T_0\ , \ S_0\ $	0.0273, 1.3196, 1	0.0273, 1.3196, 1
$\ s^{-1}S_1\ , \ T_1\ , \ S_1\ $	0.0299, 1.5492, 1.0135	0.0372, 1.9433, 1.2757
$\ s^{-1}S_2\ , \ T_2\ , \ S_2\ $	0.0337, 1.7622, 1.1266	

any RCF of P_k . All stabilizing controllers for P_k are expressed as $(\tilde{N}_{co} + \hat{D}_kQ)(\tilde{D}_{co} - \hat{N}_kQ)^{-1}$, where $Q \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$. Suppose that for some $\tilde{\delta} > 0$, $\min_Q \|s^{-1}(\tilde{D}_{co} - \hat{D}_kQ)V_k^{-1}\tilde{D}_k\| = (\tilde{\delta} + R_{k\rho})^{-1}$; the minimum is taken over all $Q \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$ such that $[(\tilde{D}_{co} - \hat{D}_kQ)V_k^{-1}\tilde{D}_k](0) = 0$. If Q_* denotes the argument minimum of $\|s^{-1}(\tilde{D}_{co} - \hat{D}_kQ)V_k^{-1}\tilde{D}_k\|$, then the controller $\tilde{N}_c\tilde{D}_c^{-1} := (\tilde{N}_{co} + \hat{D}_kQ_*)(\tilde{D}_{co} - \hat{N}_kQ_*)^{-1}$ stabilizes P_k and satisfies $\tilde{D}_k\tilde{D}_c + \tilde{N}\tilde{N}_c = V_k$ and $\|s^{-1}S_k\| = (\tilde{\delta} + R_{k\rho})^{-1}$. Thus (26) holds if and only if $\min_Q \|s^{-1}(\tilde{D}_{co} - \hat{D}_kQ)V_k^{-1}\tilde{D}_k\| < R_{k\rho}^{-1}$, which in turn is again a well-known H_∞ -problem.

4. Conclusions

In Theorem 1 and 2, we provided dual methods of controller design for MIMO systems based on reduced order models from the viewpoint of closed-loop stability and performance. The iterative design algorithm hinge on the existence of a controller having a certain performance as quantified by conditions (13) and (26). The most important merit of the methods presented is that they directly focus on closed-loop performance and provide estimates in terms of eliminated poles or zeros

for achievable performance and stability robustness. The design methods provide an MIMO generalization of the scalar design approximation methods. It should be noted that the candidate insignificant poles (or zeros) are “blocking” poles (or zeros) in the sense that they appear in every entry of the transfer matrix. These methods do not restrict the approximated plant to be stable or minimum-phase; the only requirement is that the discarded poles (or zeros) are in the open left-half plane. Unlike most other reduction methods, these do not require any additive decomposition of the plant into stable and anti-stable parts.

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Appendix

Proof of Lemma 1: Let $G = ND^{-1}$ be an RCF and let $H = D_c^{-1}N_c$ be an LCF. For $k \geq 0$, the controller H stabilizes G_k if and only if $U_k := D_c D + N_c N_k$ is unimodular. By assumption, for some $k \geq 0$, U_k is unimodular since H stabilizes G_k . We show that H also stabilizes G_i by induction. Suppose that U_{i-1} is unimodular, which is already given for $i = k + 1$. Then $N_i = (1 - \Delta_i)N_{i-1}$ implies

$$\begin{aligned} U_i &= D_c D + N_c N_i = U_{i-1} - N_c N_{i-1} + N_c N_i \\ &= U_{i-1} - \Delta_i N_c N_{i-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

By (31), U_i is unimodular if and only if $U_{i-1}^{-1}U_i = I - U_{i-1}^{-1}\Delta_i N_c N_{i-1}$ is unimodular, equivalently, $\tilde{U}_i := I - \Delta_i N_{i-1} U_{i-1}^{-1} N_c = I - \Delta_i T_{i-1}$ is unimodular. Since $G_k H \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$ implies $G_{i-1} H = \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^{i-1} (1 - \Delta_\ell) \times G_k H \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$, we have $T_{i-1} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$ for $i \geq k + 1$, and consequently, $sT_{i-1} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$. By (2) $(\Delta_i/s) \in \mathbf{S}$. By (3), if condition (12) holds, then $\|(\Delta_i/s)sT_{i-1}\| \leq \|(\Delta_i/s)\| \|sT_{i-1}\| = r_i \|sT_{i-1}\| < 1$. Therefore, $\tilde{U}_i = I - (\Delta_i/s)sT_{i-1}$ is unimodular, equivalently, H stabilizes G_i . \square

Proof of Theorem 1: For $k + 1 \leq i \leq \rho$, H stabilizes G_i if and only if U_i in (31) is unimodular, where $U_i = D_c D + N_c N_i = U_k - [1 - \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \Delta_\ell)] N_c N_k$, i.e.,

$$U_i = U_k - \Phi_i N_c N_k. \quad (32)$$

By (32), U_i is unimodular if and only if $U_k^{-1}U_i = I - \Phi_i U_k^{-1} N_c N_k$ is unimodular, equivalently, $\tilde{U}_i = I - \Phi_i N_k U_k^{-1} N_c = I - \Phi_i T_k$ is unimodular. Since $G_k H \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$ implies $T_k \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{R}_s)$, we have $sT_k \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$. By (2) and (9), $s^{-1}\Delta_i \in \mathbf{S}$ implies $s^{-1}\Phi_i = s^{-1}\Delta_{k+1} + \sum_{j=k+2}^i s^{-1}\Delta_j \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} (1 - \Delta_\ell) \in \mathbf{S}$. By (5),

$$\begin{aligned} \|s^{-1}\Phi_i\| &\leq \|s^{-1}\Delta_{k+1}\| + \sum_{j=k+2}^i \|s^{-1}\Delta_j \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} (1 - \Delta_\ell)\| \\ &\leq r_{k+1} + \sum_{j=k+2}^i r_j \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} q_\ell = R_{ki} \leq R_{k\rho}. \end{aligned}$$

If (13) holds, then $\|(\Phi_i/s)sT_k\| = \|(\Phi_i/s)\| \|sT_k\| \leq R_{k2}/(\delta + R_{k\rho}) < 1$ implies $\tilde{U}_i = I - s^{-1}\Phi_i sT_k$ is unimodular, equivalently, H also stabilizes G_i . To show (14)–(16), use (31) to write $T_i = N_i U_{i-1}^{-1} N_c = N_i U_{i-1}^{-1} U_{i-1} U_{i-1}^{-1} N_c = N_i U_{i-1}^{-1} (U_i + \Delta_i N_c N_{i-1}) U_{i-1}^{-1} N_c = (1 - \Delta_i) N_{i-1} U_{i-1}^{-1} N_c + \Delta_i N_i U_{i-1}^{-1} \times N_c N_{i-1} U_{i-1}^{-1} N_c$; use (32) to write $T_i = N_i U_{i-1}^{-1} U_k U_k^{-1} N_c = N_i U_{i-1}^{-1} (U_i + \Phi_i N_c N_k) U_k^{-1} N_c = \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \Delta_\ell) N_k U_k^{-1} N_c + \Phi_i N_i U_{i-1}^{-1} N_c N_k U_k^{-1} N_c$. Then

$$T_i = (1 - \Delta_i) T_{i-1} + \Delta_i T_i T_{i-1} = (1 - \Phi_i) T_k + \Phi_i T_i T_k. \quad (33)$$

Multiplying by s , $\|sT_i\| = \|\Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \Delta_\ell) sT_k + s^{-1}\Phi_i sT_i sT_k\| \leq (\Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell + R_{ki} \|sT_i\|) \|sT_k\| = (\delta + R_{k\rho})^{-1} (\Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell + R_{ki} \|sT_i\|)$ implies $(\delta + R_{k\rho} - R_{ki}) \|sT_i\| \leq \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell$. By (5), $R_{k\rho} - R_{ki} = \sum_{j=k+2}^\rho r_j \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} q_\ell - \sum_{j=k+2}^i r_j \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} q_\ell = \sum_{j=i+1}^\rho r_j \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} q_\ell = \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell [r_{i+1} + \sum_{j=i+2}^\rho r_j \Pi_{\ell=i+1}^{j-1} q_\ell] = \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell R_{i\rho}$. The bound on $\|sT_i\|$ follows from $(\delta + R_{k\rho} - R_{ki}) \|sT_i\| = (\delta + \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell R_{i\rho}) \|sT_i\| \leq \Pi_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell$. By (33), $\|T_i\| \leq \|(1 - \Delta_i) T_{i-1}\| + \|T_i\| \|s^{-1}\Delta_i sT_{i-1}\|$. But $\|(1 - \Delta_i) T_{i-1}\| \leq \min\{1 - \Delta_i\|T_{i-1}\|, \|T_{i-1}\| + \|s^{-1}\Delta_i sT_{i-1}\|\}$, and $\|s^{-1}\Delta_i sT_{i-1}\| \leq r_i \alpha_i$ give the upper-bound on $\|T_i\|$ relative to $\|T_{i-1}\|$. The lower-bound follows from (33), with $T_{i-1} = T_i + \Delta_i T_{i-1} - \Delta_i T_i T_{i-1}$ implying $\|T_{i-1}\| \leq \|T_i\| + (1 + \|T_i\|) \|s^{-1}\Delta_i\| \|sT_{i-1}\| = (1 + r_i \alpha_i) \|T_i\| + r_i \alpha_i$. Similarly from (33), $\|T_i\| \leq \|(1 - \Phi_i) T_k\| + \|T_i\| \|s^{-1}\Phi_i sT_k\|$ implies the bounds on $\|T_i\|$ relative to $\|T_k\|$ by replacing $\Delta_i, r_i, \alpha_i, T_{i-1}$ with $\Phi_i, R_{ki}, \alpha_{k+1}, T_k$. For the bounds on S_i , from (33), $I - S_i = I - S_{i-1} - \Delta_i T_{i-1} + \Delta_i (I - S_i) T_{i-1} = I - S_k - \Phi_i T_k + \Phi_i (I - S_i) T_k$ implies $S_i = S_{i-1} + \Delta_i S_i T_{i-1} = S_k + \Phi_i S_i T_k$. Finally, (15) follows from $\|S_{i-1}\| - r_i \alpha_i \|S_i\| \leq \|S_i\| \leq \|S_{i-1}\| + r_i \alpha_i \|S_i\|$ and $\|S_k\| - R_{ki} \alpha_{k+1} \|S_i\| \leq \|S_i\| \leq \|S_k\| + R_{ki} \alpha_{k+1} \|S_i\|$. \square

Proof of Lemma 2: Let $P = \tilde{D}^{-1} \tilde{N}$ be an LCF and let $\tilde{H} = \tilde{N}_c \tilde{D}_c^{-1}$ be an RCF. For $k \geq 0$, the controller \tilde{H} stabilizes P_k if and only if $V_k := \tilde{D}_k \tilde{D}_c + \tilde{N} \tilde{N}_c$ is unimodular. By assumption, for some $k \geq 0$, V_k is unimodular. We show that \tilde{H} also stabilizes P_i by induction: Suppose that V_{i-1} is unimodular, which is already given for $i = k + 1$. Then $\tilde{D}_i := (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i) \tilde{D}_{i-1}$ implies

$$\begin{aligned} V_i &= \tilde{D}_i \tilde{D}_c + \tilde{N} \tilde{N}_c = \tilde{D}_i \tilde{D}_c + V_{i-1} - \tilde{D}_{i-1} \tilde{D}_c \\ &= V_{i-1} - \tilde{\Delta}_i \tilde{D}_{i-1} \tilde{D}_c. \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

By (34), V_i is unimodular if and only if $V_{i-1}^{-1} V_i = I - V_{i-1}^{-1} \tilde{\Delta}_i \tilde{D}_{i-1} \tilde{D}_c$ is unimodular, equivalently, $\tilde{V}_i := I - \tilde{\Delta}_i \tilde{D}_c V_{i-1}^{-1} \tilde{D}_{i-1} = I - \tilde{\Delta}_i S_{i-1}$ is unimodular. Since $P_k \tilde{H}$ is type-1 or greater, we have $S_{i-1}(0) = 0$ for $i \geq k + 1$, and consequently, $(s^{-1} S_{i-1}) \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$. By (6), $s \tilde{\Delta}_i \in \mathbf{S}$. By (3), if condition (25) holds, then $\|s \tilde{\Delta}_i s^{-1} S_{i-1}\| \leq \|s \tilde{\Delta}_i\| \|s^{-1} S_{i-1}\| = r_i \|s^{-1} S_{i-1}\| < 1$.

Therefore, $\tilde{V}_i = I - s\tilde{\Delta}_i s^{-1} S_{i-1}$ is unimodular, equivalently, \tilde{H} stabilizes P_i .

Proof of Theorem 2: The proof uses entirely similar steps as the proof of Theorem 1 and follows from the transformation $s \rightarrow s^{-1}$: For $k+1 \leq i \leq \rho$, \tilde{H} stabilizes P_i if and only if $V_i = \tilde{D}_i \tilde{D}_c + \tilde{N} \tilde{N}_c = V_k - [1 - \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_\ell)] \tilde{D}_k \tilde{D}_c = V_k - \tilde{\Phi}_i \tilde{D}_k \tilde{D}_c$ in (34) is unimodular if and only if $V_k^{-1} V_i = I - \tilde{\Phi}_i V_k^{-1} \tilde{D}_k \tilde{D}_c$ is unimodular, equivalently, $\tilde{V}_i = I - \tilde{\Phi}_i \tilde{D}_c V_k^{-1} \tilde{D}_k = I - \tilde{\Phi}_i S_k$ is unimodular. Since $P_k \tilde{H}$ is type-1 or greater, i.e., $S_k(0) = 0$, we have $(s^{-1} S_k) \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$. By (6) and (23), $s\tilde{\Delta}_i \in \mathbf{S}$ implies $s\tilde{\Phi}_i = s\tilde{\Delta}_{k+1} + \sum_{j=k+2}^i s\tilde{\Delta}_j \prod_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_\ell) \in \mathbf{S}$. By (5), $\|s\tilde{\Phi}_i\| \leq \|s\tilde{\Delta}_{k+1}\| + \sum_{j=k+2}^i \|s\tilde{\Delta}_j \prod_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_\ell)\| \leq r_{k+1} + \sum_{j=k+2}^i r_j \prod_{\ell=k+1}^{j-1} q_\ell = R_{ki} \leq R_{k\rho}$. If (26) holds, then $\|\tilde{\Phi}_i S_k\| = \|s\tilde{\Phi}_i s^{-1} S_k\| \leq \|s\tilde{\Phi}_i\| \|s^{-1} S_k\| \leq (R_{ki}/(\delta + R_{k\rho})) < 1$ implies $\tilde{V}_i = I - \tilde{\Phi}_i S_k$ is unimodular, equivalently, \tilde{H} also stabilizes P_i . To show (27)–(29), write $S_i = \tilde{D}_c V_i^{-1} \tilde{D}_i = \tilde{D}_c V_{i-1}^{-1} V_{i-1} V_i^{-1} \tilde{D}_i = \tilde{D}_c V_{i-1}^{-1} (V_i + \tilde{\Delta}_i \tilde{D}_i \tilde{D}_c) V_i^{-1} \tilde{D}_i = \tilde{D}_c V_{i-1}^{-1} \tilde{D}_i + \tilde{\Delta}_i \tilde{D}_c V_{i-1}^{-1} \tilde{D}_i \tilde{D}_c V_i^{-1} \tilde{D}_i$, $S_i = \tilde{D}_c V_k^{-1} V_k V_i^{-1} \tilde{D}_i = \tilde{D}_c V_k^{-1} (V_i + \tilde{\Phi}_i \tilde{D}_k \tilde{D}_c) V_i^{-1} \tilde{D}_i = \tilde{D}_c V_k^{-1} \tilde{D}_i + \tilde{\Phi}_i \tilde{D}_c V_k^{-1} \tilde{D}_k \tilde{D}_c V_i^{-1} \tilde{D}_i$, i.e.,

$$S_i = (1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i) S_{i-1} + \tilde{\Delta}_i S_{i-1} S_i = (1 - \tilde{\Phi}_i) S_k + \tilde{\Phi}_i S_k S_i. \quad (35)$$

Multiplying by s^{-1} , $\|s^{-1} S_i\| = \|(1 - \tilde{\Phi}_i) s^{-1} S_k + s\tilde{\Phi}_i s^{-1} S_k s^{-1} S_i\| \leq (\prod_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell + R_{ki} \|s^{-1} S_i\|) \|s^{-1} S_k\| = (\delta + R_{k\rho})^{-1} (\prod_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell + R_{ki} \|s^{-1} S_i\|)$ implies $(\delta + R_{k\rho} - R_{ki}) \|s^{-1} S_i\| \leq \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell$. The bound on $\|s^{-1} S_i\|$ follows from $(\delta + R_{k\rho} - R_{ki}) \|s^{-1} S_i\| = (\delta + \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell R_{i\rho}) \|s^{-1} S_i\| \leq \prod_{\ell=k+1}^i q_\ell$. By (35), $\|S_i\| \leq \|(1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i) S_{i-1}\| + \|S_i\| \|s\tilde{\Delta}_i s^{-1} S_{i-1}\|$. The upper-bound on $\|S_i\|$ relative to $\|S_{i-1}\|$ follows from $\|(1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i) S_{i-1}\| \leq \min\{\|1 - \tilde{\Delta}_i\| \|S_{i-1}\|, \|S_{i-1}\| + \|s\tilde{\Delta}_i s^{-1} S_{i-1}\|\}$, and $\|s\tilde{\Delta}_i s^{-1} S_{i-1}\| \leq r_i \beta_i$. The lower-bound follows from $S_{i-1} = S_i + \tilde{\Delta}_i S_{i-1} - \tilde{\Delta}_i S_i S_{i-1}$ implying $\|S_{i-1}\| \leq \|S_i\| + (1 + \|S_i\|) \|s\tilde{\Delta}_i\| \|s^{-1} S_{i-1}\| = (1 + r_i \beta_i) \|S_i\| + r_i \beta_i$. Similarly by (35), $\|S_i\| \leq \|(1 - \tilde{\Phi}_i) S_k\| + \|S_i\| \|s\tilde{\Phi}_i s^{-1} S_k\|$ implies the bounds on $\|S_i\|$ relative to $\|S_k\|$ follow by replacing $\tilde{\Delta}_i$, r_i , β_i , S_{i-1} with $\tilde{\Phi}_i$, R_{ki} , β_{k+1} , S_k . By (35), $I - T_i = I - T_{i-1} - \tilde{\Delta}_i S_{i-1} + \tilde{\Delta}_i S_{i-1} (I - T_i) = I - T_k - \tilde{\Phi}_i S_k + \tilde{\Phi}_i S_k (I - T_i)$ implies $T_i = T_{i-1} + \tilde{\Delta}_i S_{i-1} T_i = T_k + \tilde{\Phi}_i S_i T_k$. Finally, (29) follows from $\|T_{i-1}\| - r_i \beta_i \|T_i\| \leq \|T_i\| \leq \|T_{i-1}\| + r_i \beta_i \|T_i\|$ and $\|T_k\| - R_{ki} \beta_{k+1} \times \|T_i\| \leq \|T_i\| \leq \|T_k\| + R_{ki} \beta_{k+1} \|T_i\|$. \square

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