

# **Robust discrete time control**

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# **Outline**

## **Part I**

Introduction, examples and basic concepts

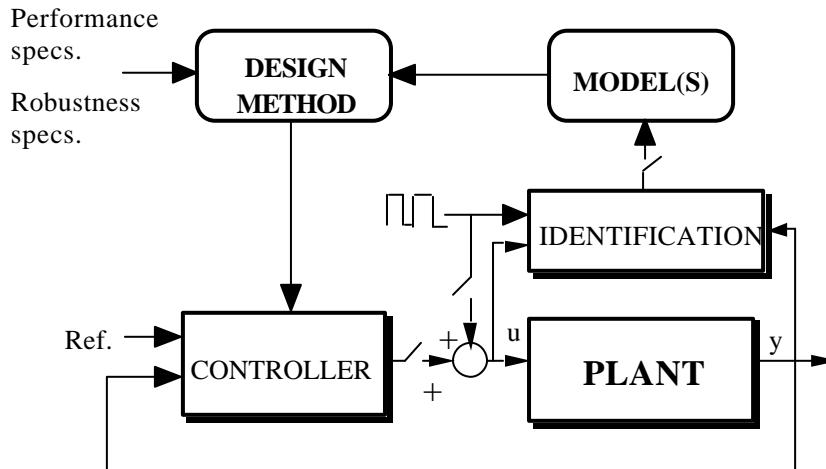
## **Part II**

Design of robust discrete time controllers

## **Part III**

Special topics

# Controller Design and Validation

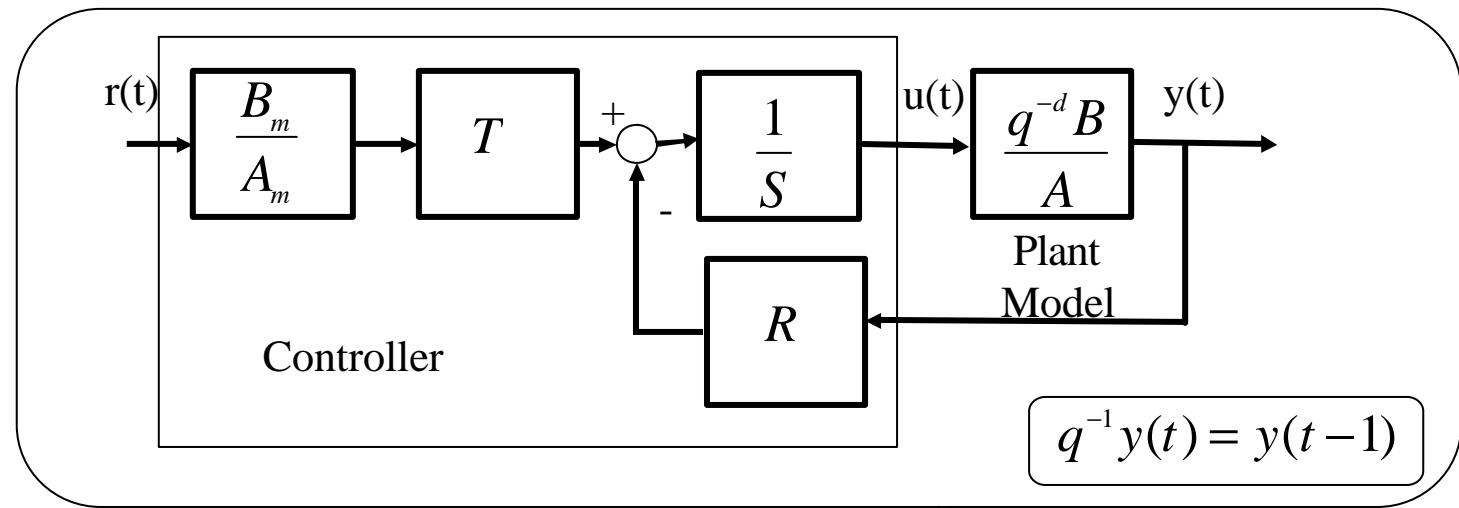
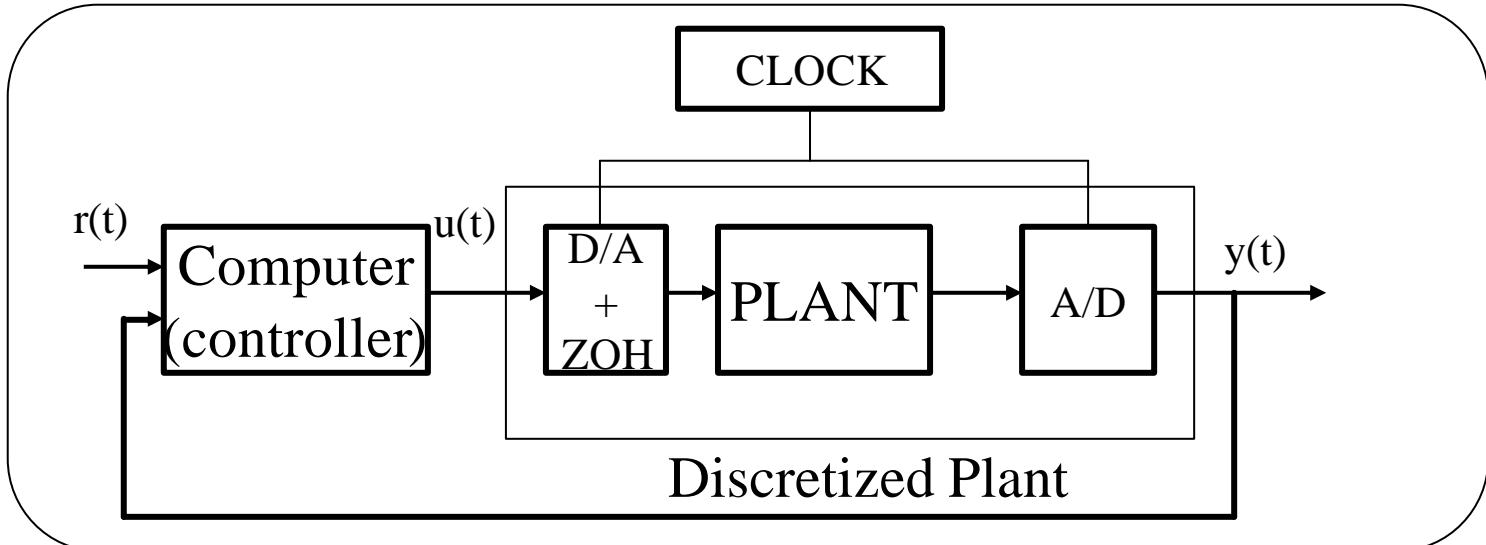


- 1) Identification of the dynamic model
  - 2) **Performance and robustness specifications**
  - 3) **Compatible robust controller design method**
  - 4) Controller implementation
  - 5) Real-time controller validation  
(and on site re-tuning)
  - 6) Controller maintenance (same as 5)
- (5) and (6) require  
*identification in closed-loop*

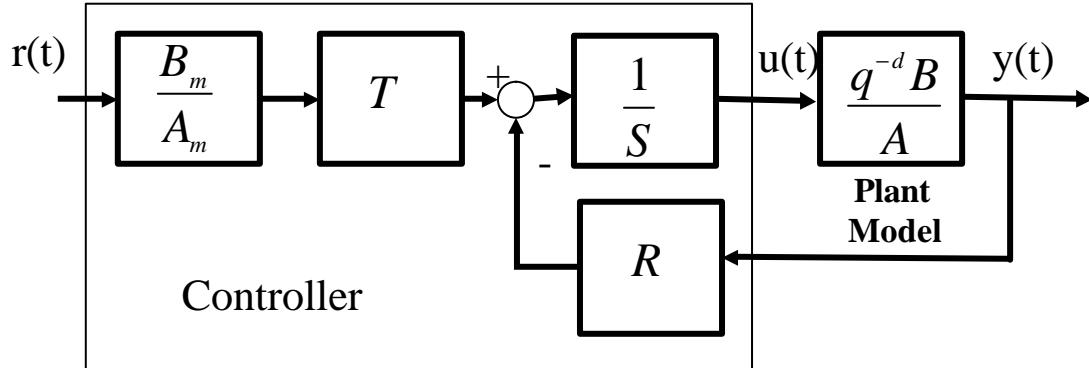
# Part I Outline

- The R-S-T digital controller
- Robust control. What is it ?
- Examples (4 applications)
- Sensitivity functions
- Stability of closed loop discrete time systems
- Robustness margins
- Robust stability
- Small gain theorem/ Passivity theorem / Circle criterion
- Description of uncertainties and robust stability
- Templates for the sensitivity functions

# The R-S-T Digital Controller



# The R-S-T Digital Controller



*Plant Model:*

$$G(q^{-1}) = H(q^{-1}) = \frac{q^{-d} B(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})} = \frac{q^{-d-1} B^*(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})}$$

$$A(q^{-1}) = 1 + a_1 q^{-1} + \dots + a_{n_A} q^{-n_A} \quad B(q^{-1}) = b_1 q^{-1} + \dots + b_{n_B} q^{-n_B} = q^{-1} B^*(q^{-1})$$

*R-S-T Controller:*

$$S(q^{-1})u(t) = T(q^{-1})y^*(t+d+1) - R(q^{-1})y(t)$$

*Characteristic polynomial (closed loop poles):*

$$P(q^{-1}) = A(q^{-1})S(q^{-1}) + q^{-d}B(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})$$

## Robust control

Robustness of *what* ? with respect to *what* ?

Robustness of an *index of performance* with respect to *plant model uncertainties*.

Index of performance :

- closed loop stability
- time domain performance
- frequency domain performance

Plant model uncertainties:

- low quality design model
- uncertainties in a frequency range
- variations of the dynamic characteristics of the plant

## **Robust control**

**Robust controller** : assures the desired index of performance of the closed loop for a set of given uncertainties

**Robust closed loop** : the index of performance is guaranteed for a set of given uncertainties

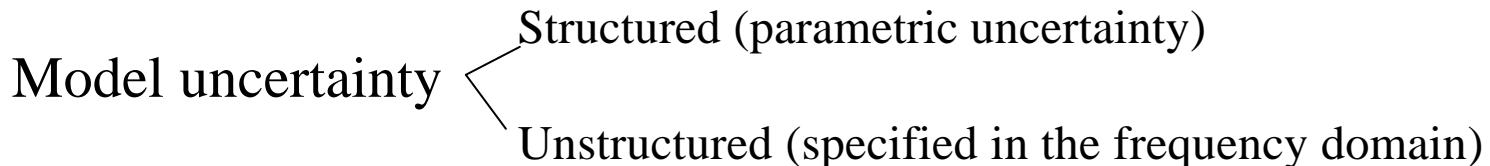
## Robustness of a control system

A control system is said to be *robust* for a set of given uncertainties upon the nominal plant model if it guarantees stability and performance for all plant models in this set.

- To characterize the *robustness* of a closed loop system a frequency domain analysis is needed
- The *sensitivity functions* play a fundamental role in robustness studies
- The study of closed loop stability in the frequency domain gives valuable information for characterizing robustness

## Robustness. Some questions

- How to characterize “model uncertainty”?
- How to deal with “model uncertainty” ?
- How to characterize “controller robustness” ?



We will consider the “uncertainties” described in the frequency domain (i.e. effect of parameter uncertainty should be converted in the frequency domain).

### Important concepts :

- nominal model, uncertainty model, family of plant models
- nominal stability, robust stability
- nominal performance, robust performance

## Nominal model, uncertainty model, family of plant models

Nominal model : the model used for design

Uncertainty model : the description of the uncertainties in the frequency domain (magnitude, phase)

Family of plant models ( $P$ ): characterized by the nominal plant model and the uncertainty model

The different true “plant models” belong to the family  $P$

## Nominal and robust stability and performance

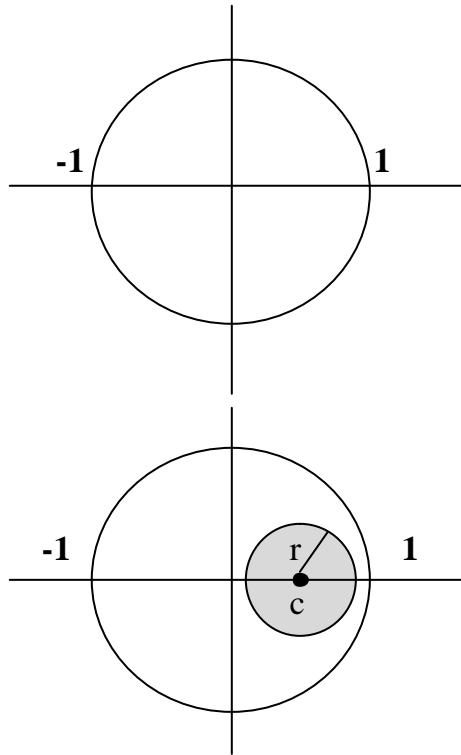
Nominal stability : closed loop as. stable for the “nominal model”

Robust stability: closed loop as. Stable for all the plant models  
belonging to the family (set)  $P$

Nominal performance: performance for the “nominal model”

Robust performance: performance guaranteed for all plant  
models belonging to the family (set)  $P$

# Robust stability and robust performance



**Robust stability:**

The closed loop poles remain inside the unit circle (discrete time case) for all the models belonging to the family  $P$

**Robust performance:**

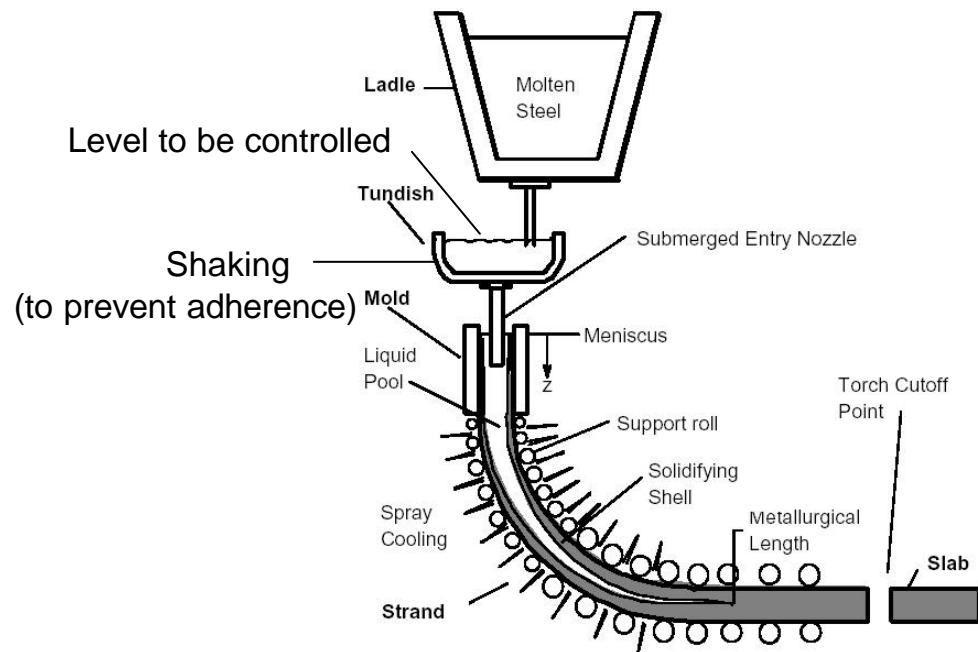
The closed loop poles remain inside the circle  $(c,r)$  for all the models belonging to the family  $P$

- robust performance condition can be translated in a robust stability condition
- this is not the only way for solving robust performance design

## **Examples to illustrate robust control design**

- Continuous steel casting
- Hot dip galvanizing
- Flexible transmission
- 360° flexible arm

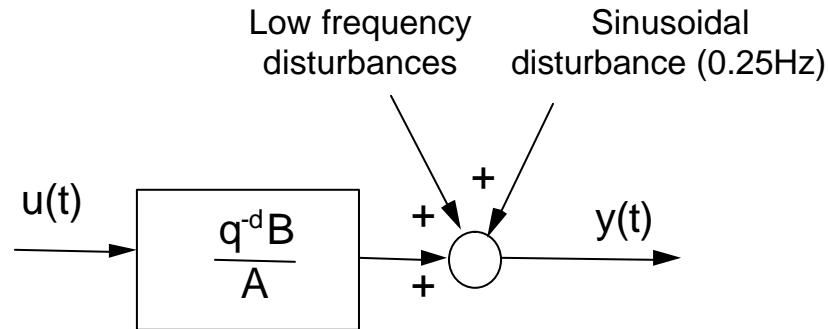
# Continuous steel casting



## Continuos steel casting

Plant (integrator):

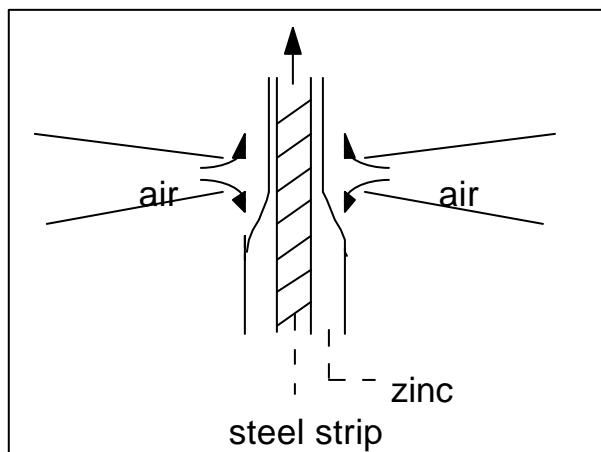
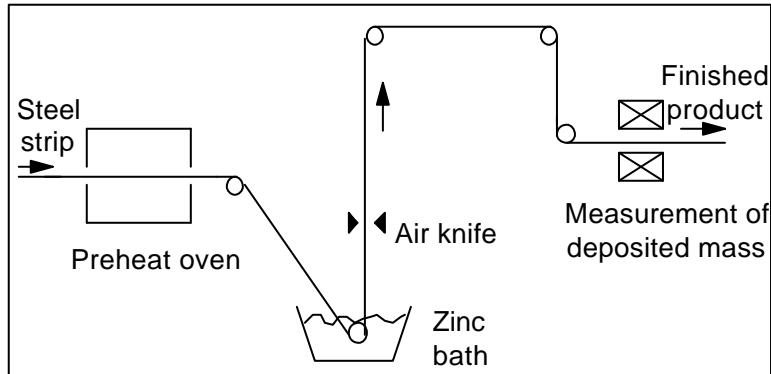
$$A = 1 - q^{-1}; B = 0.5q^{-1}; d = 2; T_s = 1s$$



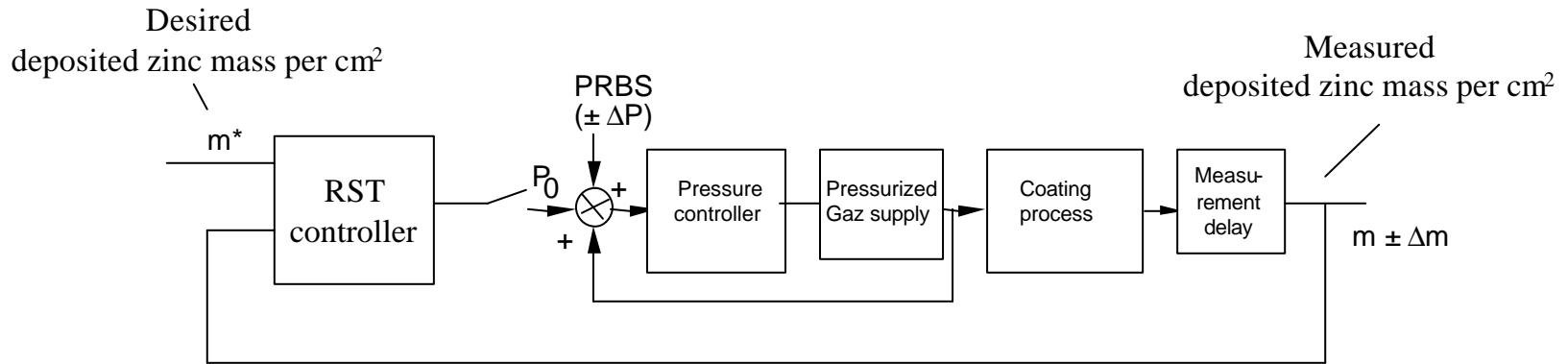
Specifications:

1. No attenuation of the sinusoidal disturbance (0.25 Hz)
2. Attenuation band in low frequencies: 0 à 0.03 Hz
3. Disturbance amplification at 0.07 Hz: < 3dB
4. Modulus margin > -6 dB and Delay margin >  $T_s$
5. No integrator in the controller

# Hot dip galvanizing. Control of the deposited zinc



# Hot dip galvanizing. The control loops



- important time delay with respect to process dynamics
- time delay depends upon the steel strip speed
- sampling frequency tied to the steel strip speed
- constant integer delay in discrete time
- parameter variations of the process as a function of the type of product

## Hot dip galvanizing. Model and specifications

Plant model for a type of product :

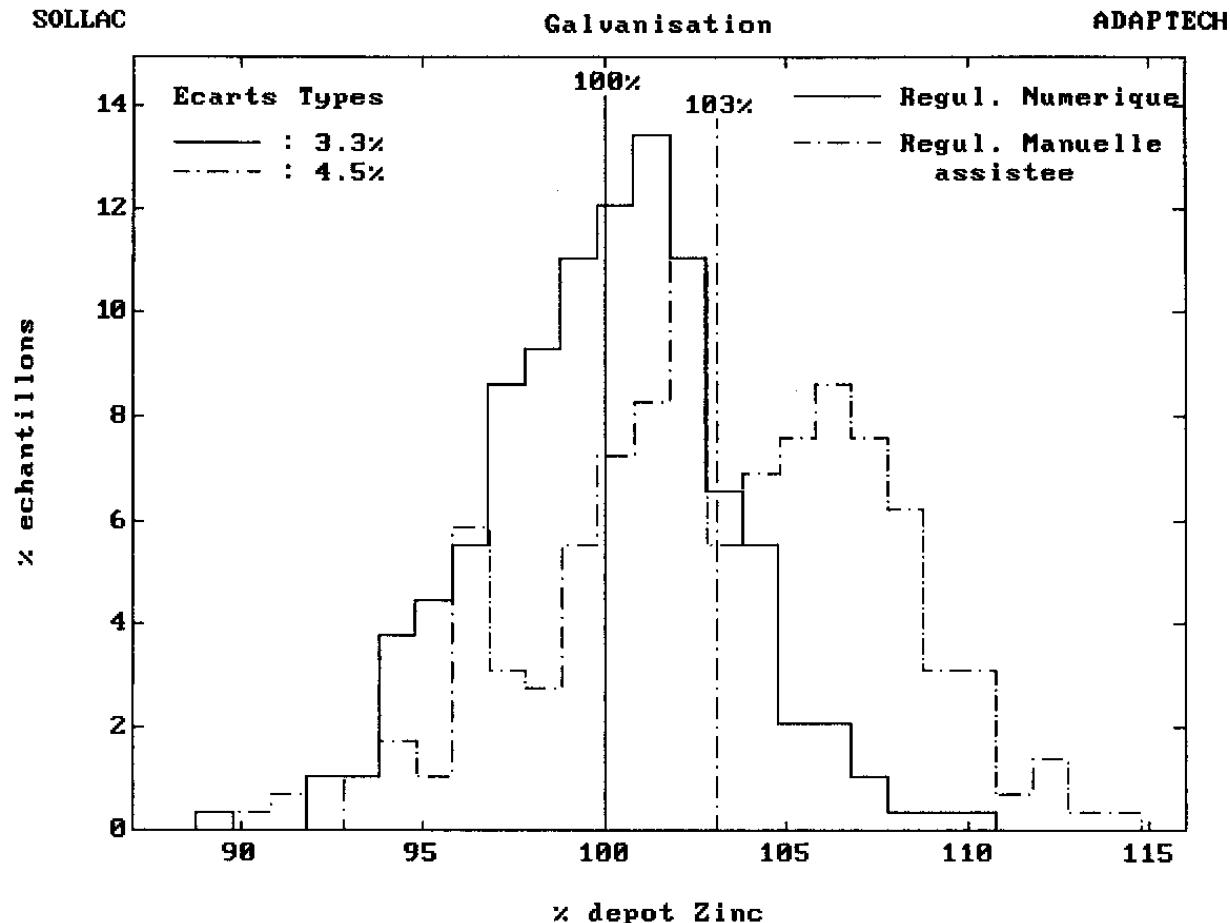
$$\frac{q^{-7}(b_1 q^{-1})}{1 + a_1 q^{-1}}$$

Model :  $T_s = 12 \text{ sec}; b_1 = 0.3; a_1 = -0.2(-0.3)$

Specifications (performance) :

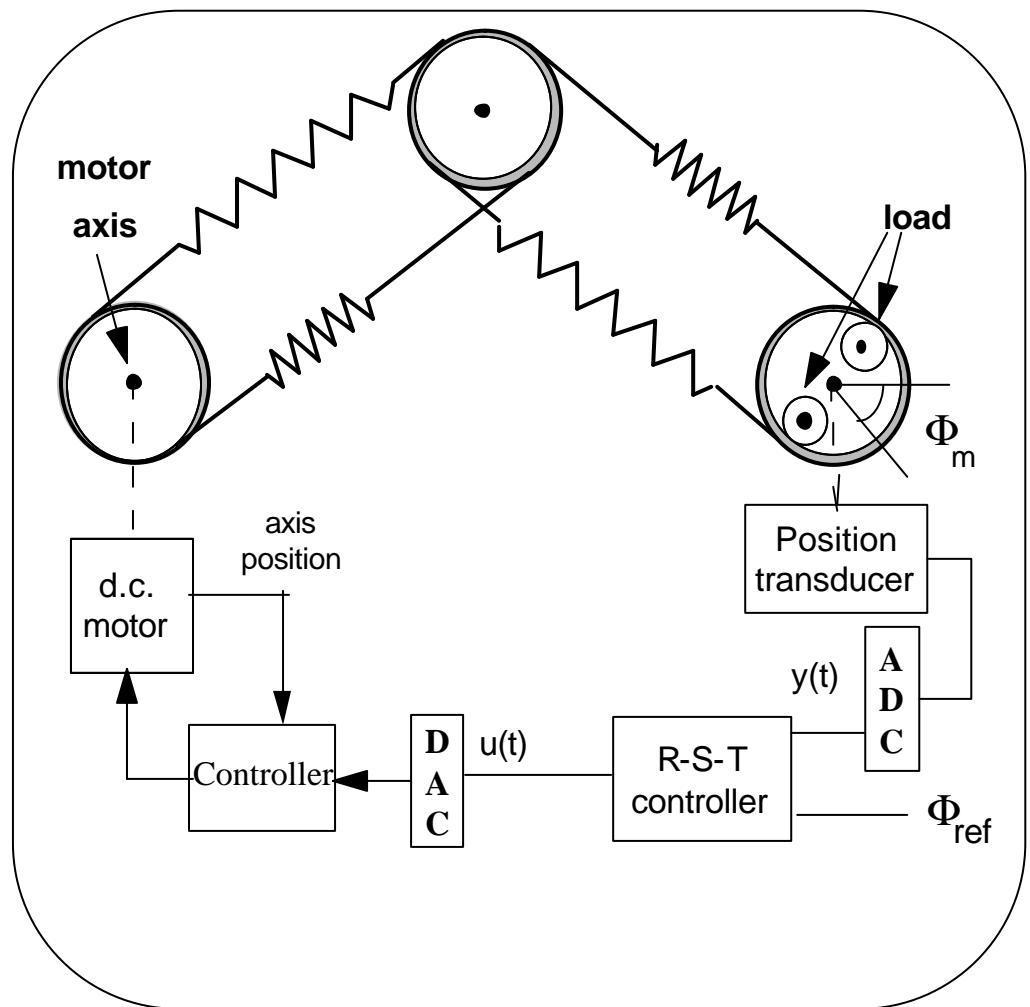
- Modulus margin:  $\Delta M \geq 0.5$
- Delay margin:  $\Delta t \geq 2T_s$
- Integrator

# **Hot dip galvanizing. Performance**



# Control of a Flexible Transmission

The flexible transmission



# Control of a Flexible Transmission

Sampling frequency : 20 Hz

$$A(q^{-1}) = 1 - 1.609555q^{-1} + 1.87644q^{-2} - 1.49879q^{-3} + 0.88574q^{-4}$$

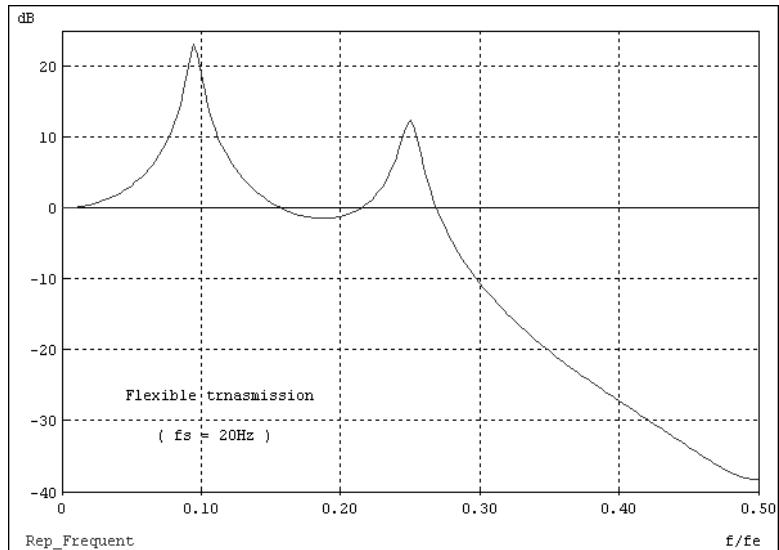
$$B(q^{-1}) = 0.3053q^{-1} + 0.3943q^{-2}$$

$$d = 2$$

Model

Vibration modes:

$$\omega_1 = 11.949 \text{ rad/sec}, z_1 = 0.042; \quad \omega_2 = 31.462 \text{ rad/sec}, z_2 = 0.023$$



## Specifications:

Tracking:  $\omega_0 = 11.94 \text{ rad/sec}, z = 0.9$

Dominant poles:  $\omega_0 = 11.94 \text{ rad/sec}, z = 0.8$

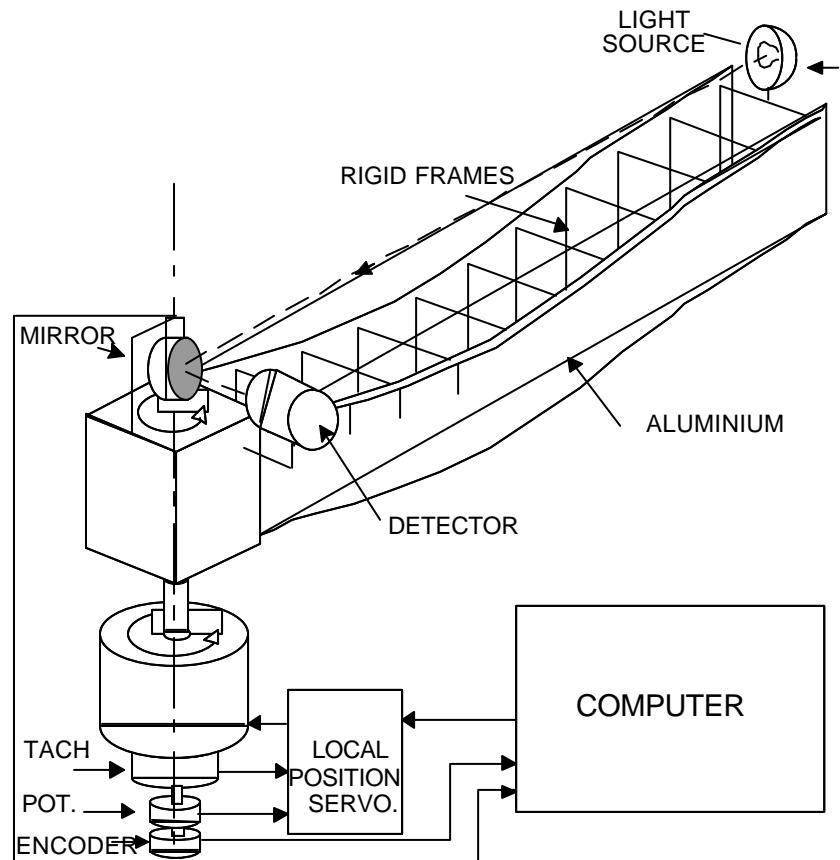
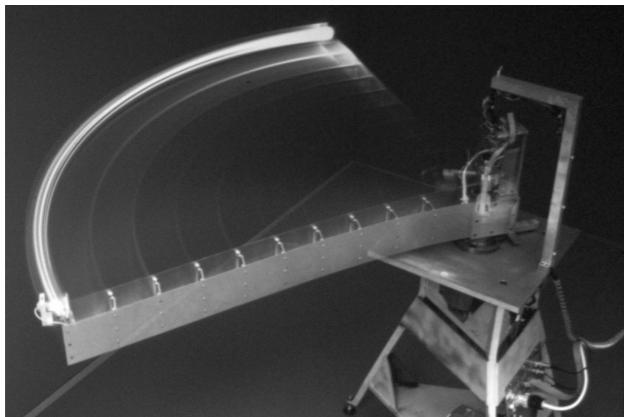
Robustness margins:  $\Delta M \geq 0.5 \quad \Delta t \geq 2T_s$

Zero steady state error (integrator)

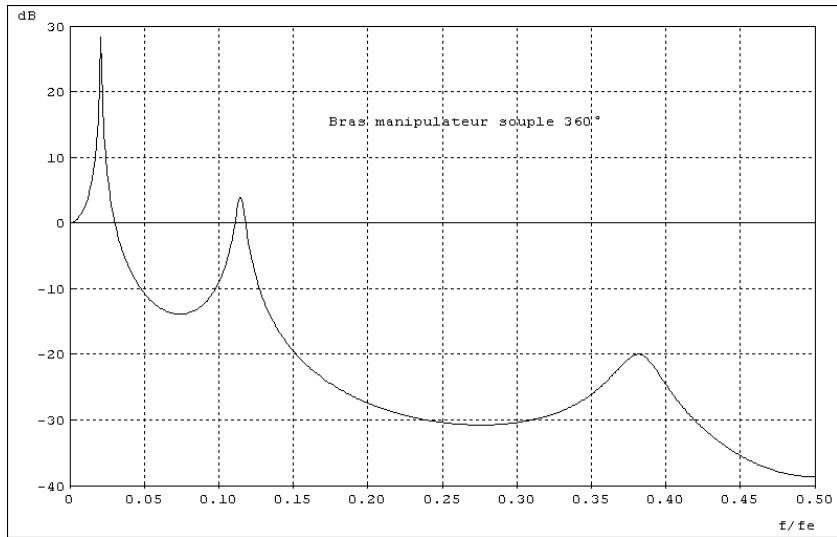
Constraints on  $S_{up}$ :

$$|S_{up}|_{\max} \leq 10 \text{ dB for } f \geq 0.35f_s = 7 \text{ Hz}$$

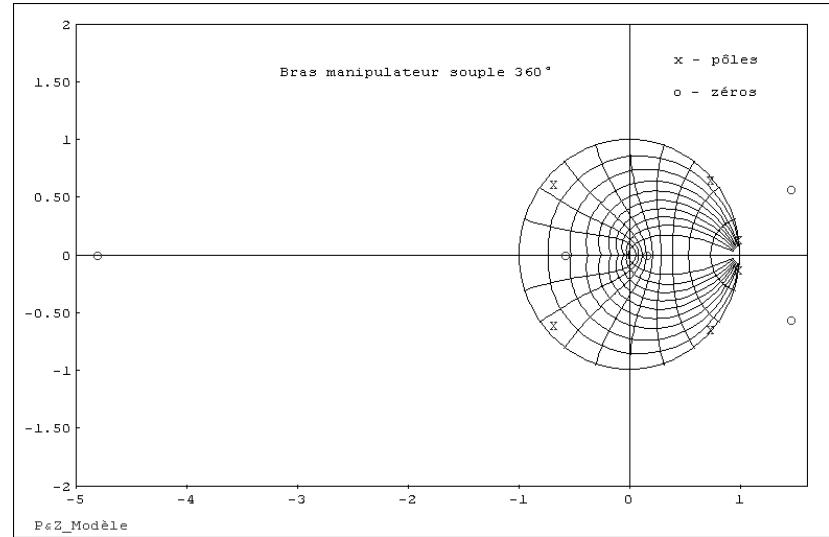
# 360° Flexible Arm



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Frequency characteristics



Poles-Zeros  
Unstable zeros !

(*Identified Model*)

# 360° Flexible Arm

Sampling frequency : 20 Hz

**Model –**

$$A(q^{-1}) = 1 - 2.1049 q^{-1} + 1.04851 q^{-2} + 0.33836 q^{-3} + 0.46 q^{-4} \\ - 1.5142 q^{-5} + 0.7987 q^{-6}$$

$$B(q^{-1}) = 0.0064 q^{-1} + 0.0146 q^{-2} - 0.0697 q^{-3} + 0.044 q^{-4} \\ + 0.0382 q^{-5} - 0.007 q^{-6}$$

$$d = 0$$

Vibration modes:

$$w_1 = 2.617 \text{ rad/sec}, z_1 = 0.018; w_2 = 14.402 \text{ rad/sec}, z_2 = 0.025; w_3 = 48.117 \text{ rad/sec}, z_3 = 0.038$$

**Specifications:**

Tracking:  $w_0 = 2.6173 \text{ rad/sec}, z = 0.9$

Dominant poles:  $w_0 = 2.6173 \text{ rad/sec}, z = 0.8$

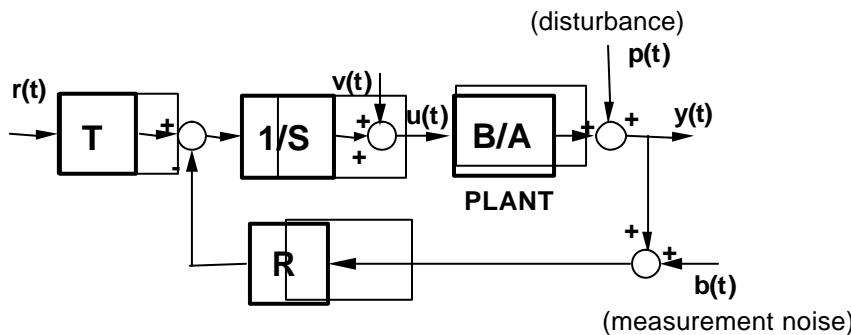
Robustness margins:  $\Delta M \geq 0.5$        $\Delta t \geq 2T_s$

Zero steady state error (integrator)

Constraints on  $S_{up}$ :  $|S_{up}| \leq 15 \text{ dB for } f < 4 \text{ Hz}; |S_{up}| \leq 0 \text{ dB for } 4.5 \leq f < 6.5 \text{ Hz};$   
 $|S_{up}| < 15 \text{ dB for } 6.5 \leq f < 8 \text{ Hz}; |S_{up}| < 10 \text{ dB for } 8 \leq f \leq 10 \text{ Hz}$

## **Robust Control. Basic concepts**

# Digital control in the presence of disturbances and noise



Output sensitivity function  
(p — y)

$$S_{yp}(z^{-1}) = \frac{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}$$

Input sensitivity function  
(p — u)

$$S_{up}(z^{-1}) = \frac{-A(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}$$

Noise-output sensitivity function  
(b — y)

$$S_{yb}(z^{-1}) = \frac{-B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}$$

Input disturbance-output sensitivity function  
(v — y)

$$S_{yv}(z^{-1}) = \frac{B(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}$$

**All four sensitivity functions should be stable !** (see book pg.102 - 103)

## All four sensitivity functions must be stable !

Plant model:  $\frac{z^{-d} B(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})}$        $A(z^{-1})$  is unstable

Suppose :  $R(z^{-1}) = A(z^{-1})$  (poles compensation by the controller zeros)

$$S_{yp}(z^{-1}) = \frac{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})A(z^{-1})} = \frac{S(z^{-1})}{S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})}$$

$$S_{up}(z^{-1}) = -\frac{A(z^{-1})A(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})A(z^{-1})} = -\frac{A(z^{-1})}{S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})}$$

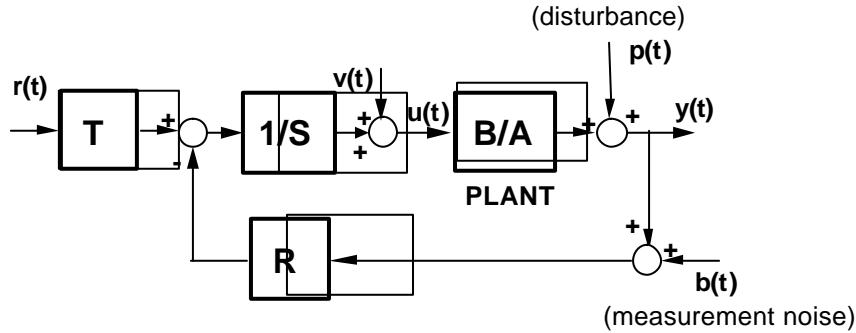
$$S_{yb}(z^{-1}) = -\frac{B(z^{-1})A(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})A(z^{-1})} = -\frac{B(z^{-1})}{S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})}$$

$$S_{yv}(z^{-1}) = \frac{B(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})A(z^{-1})} = \frac{B(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})}{\cancel{A(z^{-1})}[S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})]}$$

$S_{yv}$  is *unstable* while  $S_{yp}$ ,  $S_{up}$ , and  $S_{yb}$  may be stable if :

$$S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1}) = 0 \Rightarrow |z| < 1$$

# Complementary sensitivity function



For  $T = R$  one has:

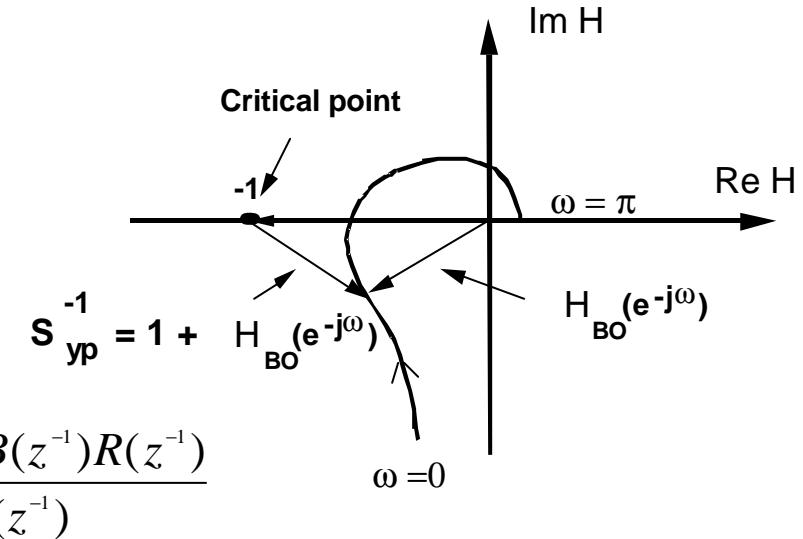
$$S_{yr}(z^{-1}) = \frac{B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})} = -S_{yb}(z^{-1})$$

$$S_{yp}(z^{-1}) - S_{yb}(z^{-1}) = S_{yp}(z^{-1}) + S_{yr}(z^{-1}) = 1$$

## Stability of closed loop discrete time systems

The Nyquist is used like in continuous time  
 (can be displayed with WinReg ou *Nyquist\_OL.sci(.m)*)

$$H_{OL}(e^{-jw}) = \frac{B(e^{-jw})R(e^{-jw})}{A(e^{-jw})S(e^{-jw})}$$



$$S_{yp}^{-1}(z^{-1}) = 1 + H_{OL}(z^{-1}) = \frac{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})}$$

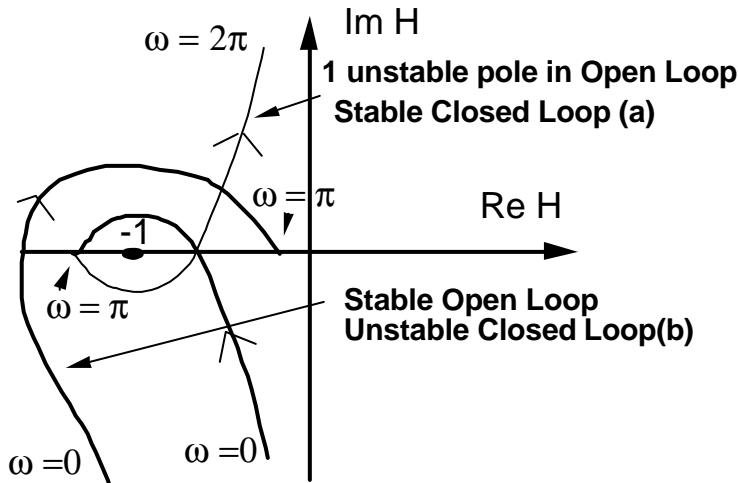
Nyquist criterion (discrete time –O.L. is stable)

*The Nyquist plot of the open loop transfer fct.  $H_{OL}(e^{-jw})$  traversed in the sense of growing frequencies (from 0 to  $0.5f_S$ ) leaves the critical point  $[-1, j0]$  on the left*

# Stability of closed loop discrete time systems

Nyquist criterion (discrete time –O.L. is unstable)

The Nyquist plot of the open loop transfer fct.  $H_{OL}(e^{-j\omega})$  traversed in the sense of growing frequencies (from 0 et  $f_S$ ) leaves the critical point  $-1, j0$  on the left and the number of encirclements of the critical point counter clockwise should be equal to the number of unstable poles in open loop.



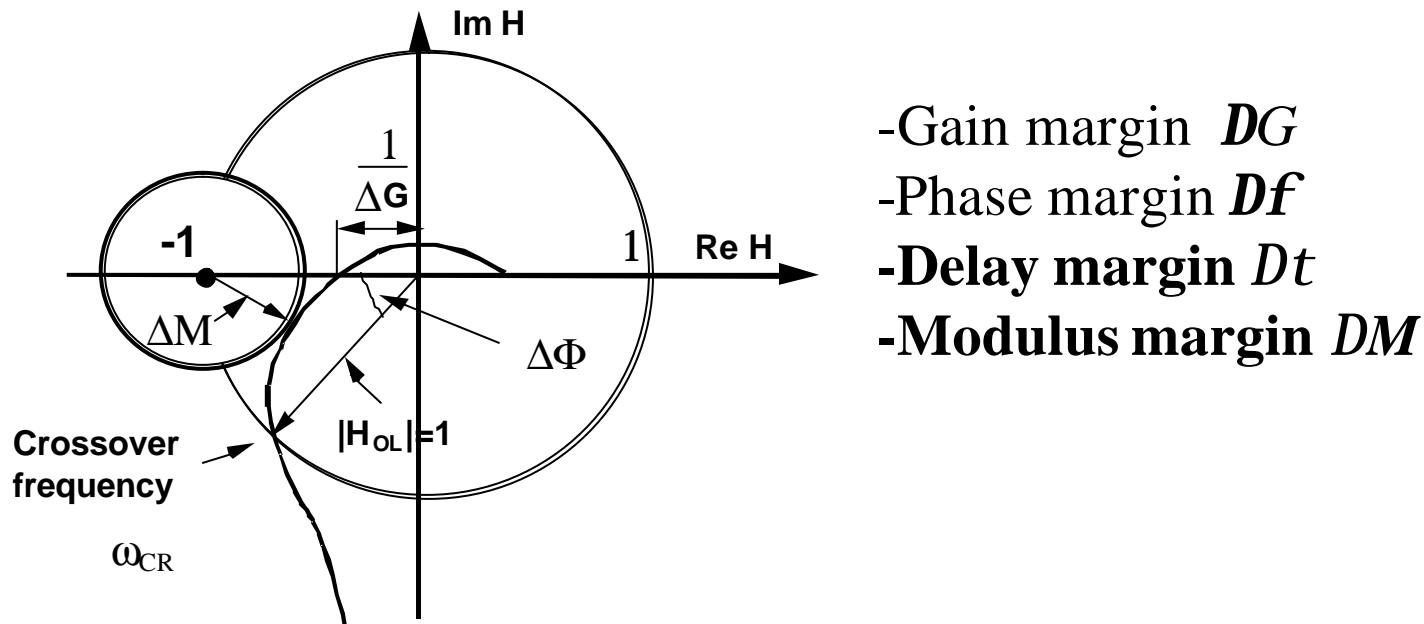
## Remarks:

-The controller poles may become unstable if high performances are required without using an appropriate design method

-The Nyquist plot from  $0.5f_S$  to  $f_S$  is the symmetric with respect to the real axis of the Nyquist plot from 0 to  $0.5f_S$

## Marges de robustesse

The minimal distance with respect to the critical point characterizes the robustness of the CL with respect to uncertainties on the plant model parameters( or their variations)



## Robustness margins

### Gain margin

$$\Delta G = \frac{1}{|H_{BO}(j\mathbf{w}_{180})|} \quad \text{pour} \quad \angle f(\mathbf{w}_{180}) = -180^\circ$$

### Phase margin

$$\Delta f = 180^\circ - \angle f(\mathbf{w}_{cr}) \quad \text{pour} \quad |H_{BO}(j\mathbf{w}_{cr})| = 1$$

$$\Delta f = \min_i \Delta f_i \quad \text{If there several intersections with the unit circle}$$

### Delay margin

$$\Delta t = \frac{\Delta f}{\mathbf{w}_{cr}} \quad \text{Several intersections points: } \Delta t = \min_i \frac{\Delta f_i}{\mathbf{w}_{cr}^i}$$

### Modulus margin

$$\Delta M = |1 + H_{BO}(j\mathbf{w})|_{\min} = |S_{yp}^{-1}(j\mathbf{w})|_{\min} = \left( |S_{yp}(j\mathbf{w})|_{\max} \right)^{-1}$$

## Robustness margins – typical values

Gain margin :  $DG \geq 2$  ( $6 \text{ dB}$ ) [ $\min : 1,6$  ( $4 \text{ dB}$ )]

Phase margin :  $30^\circ \leq Df \leq 60^\circ$

Delay margin : fraction of system delay (10%) or  
of time response (10%) (often  $1.T_S$ )

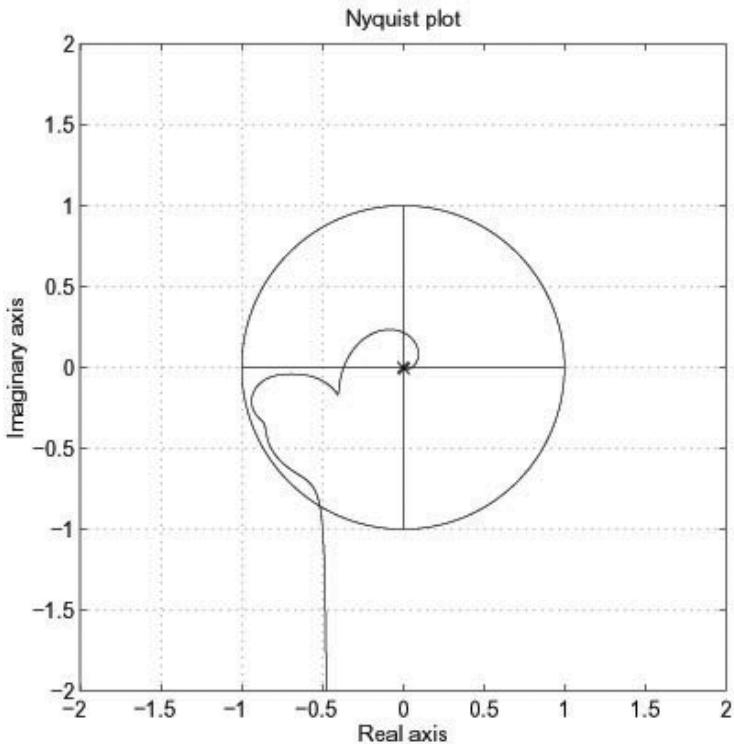
Modulus margin :  $D M \geq 0.5$  ( $-6 \text{ dB}$ ) [ $\min : 0,4$  ( $-8 \text{ dB}$ )]

A modulus margin  $D M \geq 0.5$  implies  $DG \geq 2$  et  $Df > 29^\circ$

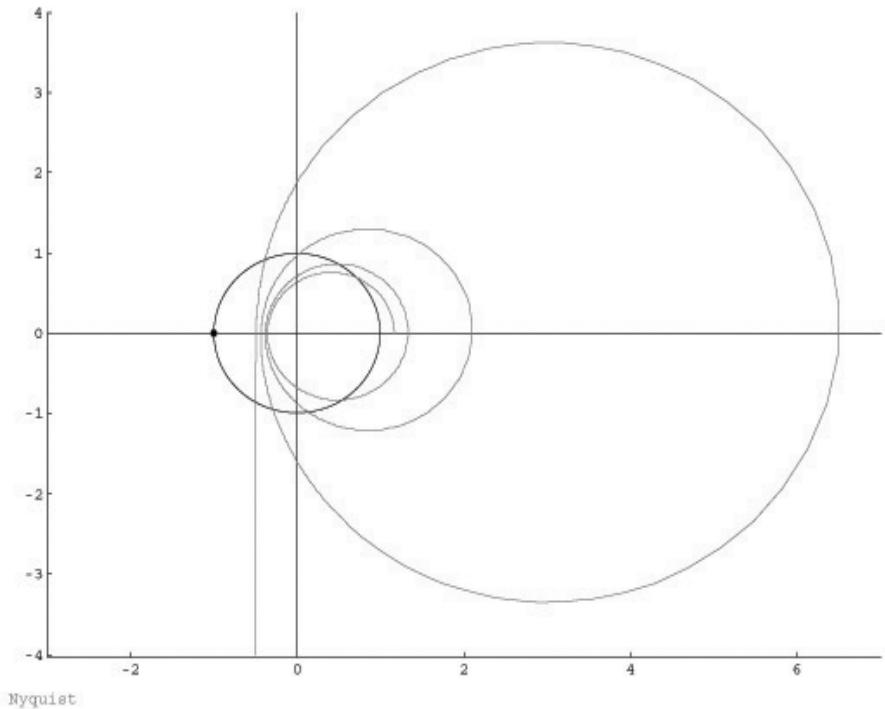
*Attention ! The converse is not generally true*

The *modulus margin* defines also the tolerance with respect to nonlinearities

# Robustness margins



Good gain and phase margin  
Bad modulus margin



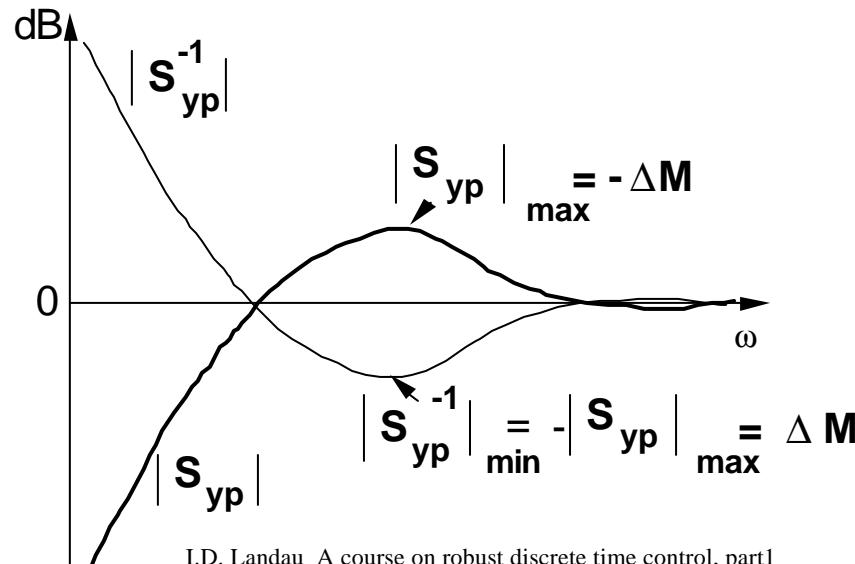
Good gain and phase margin  
Bad delay margin

## Modulus margin and sensitivity function

$$\Delta M = \left| 1 + H_{OL}(z^{-1}) \right|_{\min} = \left| S_{yp}^{-1}(z^{-1}) \right|_{\min} = \left( \left| S_{yp}(z^{-1}) \right|_{\max} \right)^{-1} =$$

$$\left( \left| \frac{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})} \right|_{\max}^{-1} \right) \quad \text{pour } z^{-1} = e^{-j2pf}$$

$$\left| S_{yp}(e^{-jw}) \right|_{\max} dB = \Delta M^{-1} dB = -\Delta M dB$$



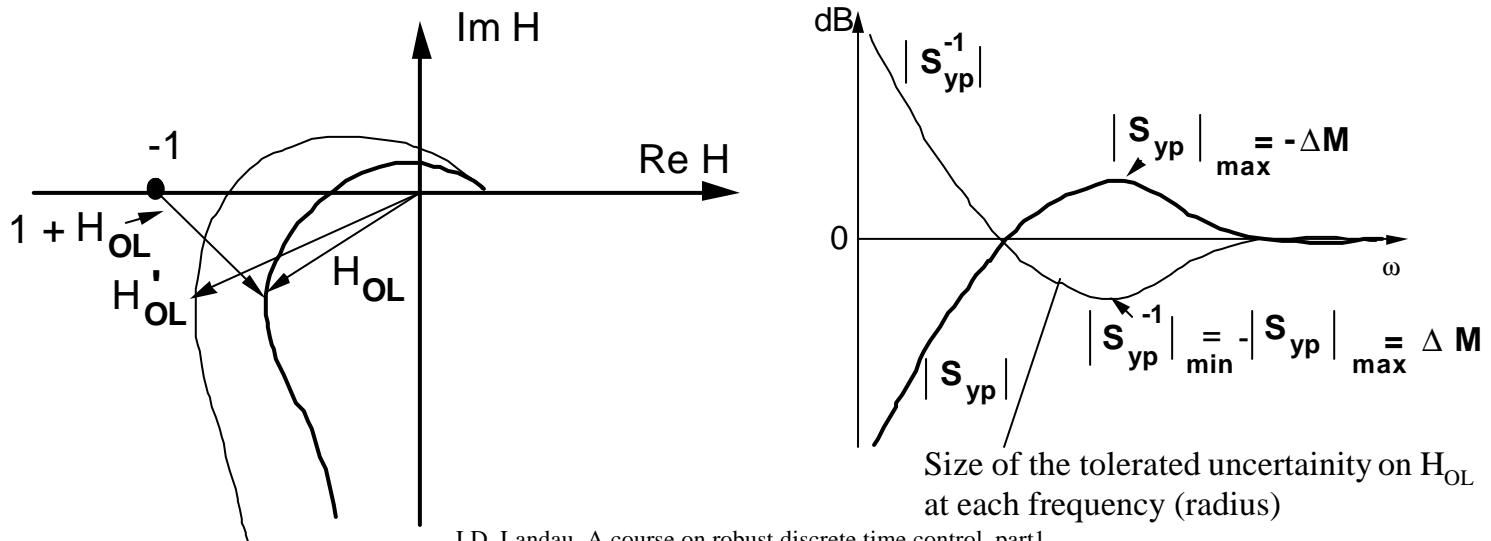
# Robust stability

*To assure stability in the presence of uncertainties (or variations) on the dynamic characteristics of the plant model*

$H_{OL}$  – nominal F.T.;  $H'_{OL}$  – Different from  $H_{OL}$  (perturbed)

*Robust stability condition (sufficient cond.):*

$$\begin{aligned} |H'_{OL}(z^{-1}) - H_{OL}(z^{-1})| &< |1 + H_{OL}(z^{-1})| = |S_{yp}^{-1}(z^{-1})| = \\ \left| \frac{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})} \right| &= \left| \frac{P(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})} \right| ; \quad z^{-1} = e^{-j\omega} \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$



# Tolerance to plant additive uncertainty

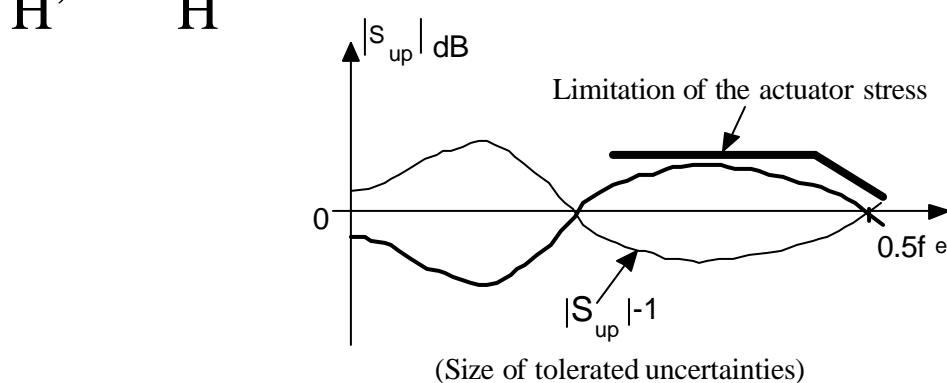
From previous slide :

$$\left| \frac{B'(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A'(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})} - \frac{B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})} \right| = \left| \frac{R(z^{-1})}{S(z^{-1})} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{B'(z^{-1})}{A'(z^{-1})} - \frac{B(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})} \right| < \left| \frac{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})} \right| \quad (*)$$

/                    /                    |                    |  
 $H'_{OL}$            $H_{OL}$            $H'$            $H$

$$\left| \frac{B'(z^{-1})}{A'(z^{-1})} - \frac{B(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})} \right| < \left| \frac{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})} \right| = \left| \frac{P(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})} \right| = \left| S_{up}^{-1}(z^{-1}) \right| \quad (**)$$

|                    |  
 $H'$            $H$



## Tolerance to plant normalized uncertainty (multiplicative uncertainty)

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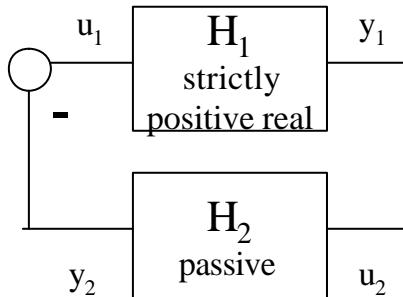
$$\left| \frac{B'(z^{-1}) - B(z^{-1})}{A'(z^{-1}) - A(z^{-1})} \right| < \left| \frac{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})} \right| = \left| \frac{P(z^{-1})}{B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})} \right| = \left| S_{yb}^{-1}(z^{-1}) \right|$$

The inverse of the modulus of the “complementary sensitivity function” gives at each frequency the tolerance with respect to “normalized (multiplicative) uncertainty”

*Relation between additive and multiplicative uncertainty:*

$$H' = H + (H' - H) = H \left( 1 + \frac{H' - H}{H} \right)$$

## Passivity (Hyperstability) Theorem



$H_1$ : Strictly positive real transfer function (state  $x$ )

$H_2$ : linear or nonlinear, time invariant or time-varying

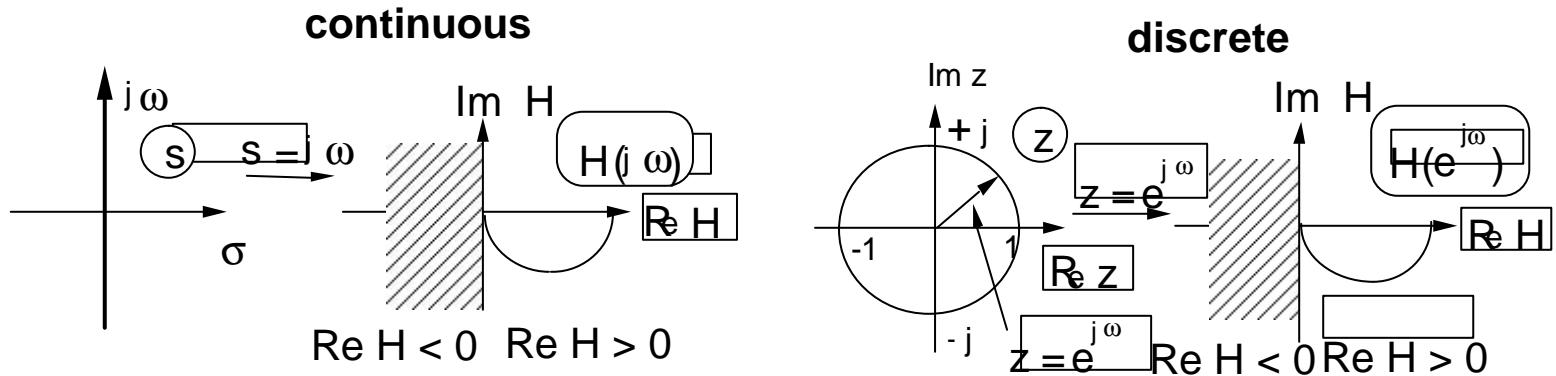
$$h_2(0, t_1) \geq \sum_{t=0}^{t_1} y_2^T(t) u_2(t) \geq -\mathbf{g}_2^2 ; \mathbf{g}_2^2 < \infty ; \nabla t_1 \geq 0$$

Then :

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0 ; \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u_1(t) = 0 ; \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y_1(t) = 0$$

# Strictly positive real transfer function (SPR)

Frequency domain

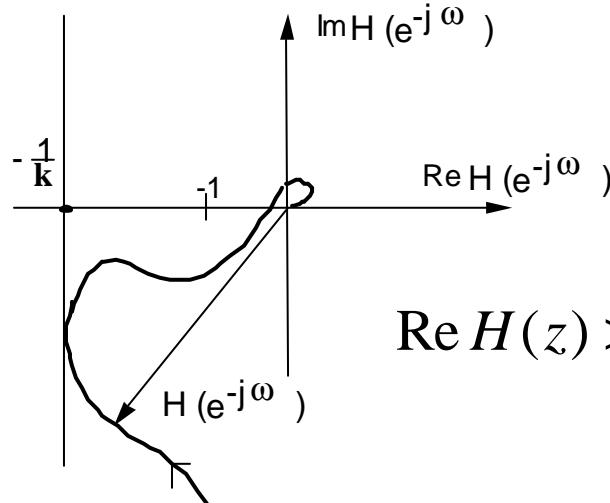
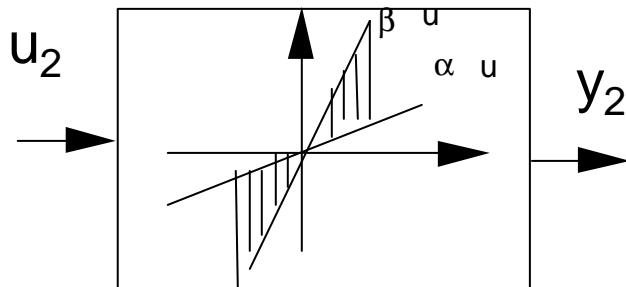
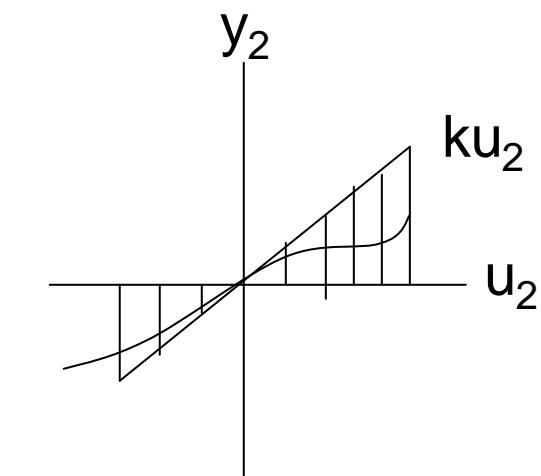


- asymptotically stable
- $\text{Re } H(e^{jw}) > 0$  for all  $|e^{jw}| = 1$ ,  $(0 < w < p)$  (discrete time case)

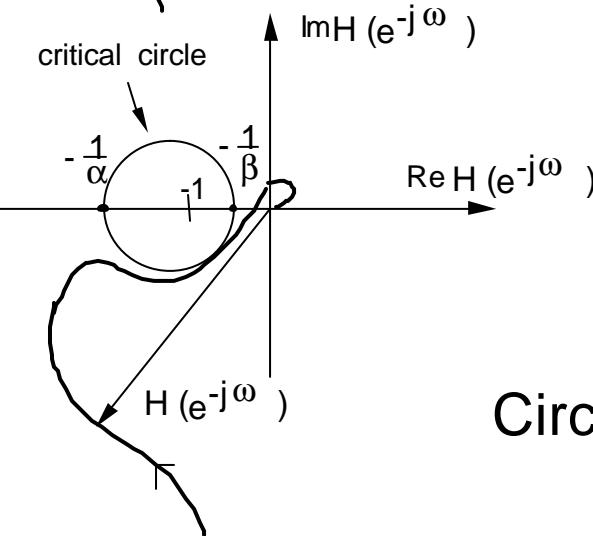
Input – output property (time domain)

$$h_1(0, t_1) \geq \sum_{t=0}^{t_1} y_1^T(t) u_1(t) \geq -\mathbf{g}_1^2 + \mathbf{k} \|u_1\|_{2T}^2 ; \mathbf{g}_1^2 < \infty ; \mathbf{k} > 0 ; \nabla t_1 \geq 0$$

# Stability criteria for nonlinear time/varying feedback system

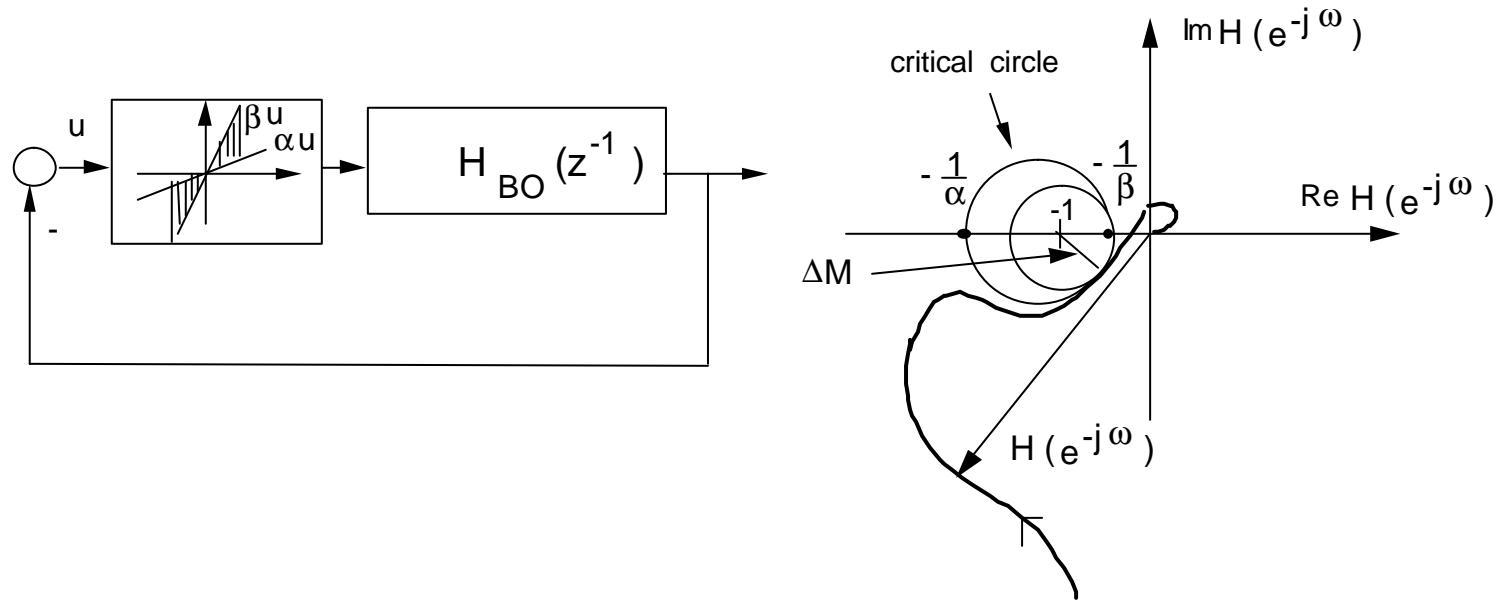


$$\text{Re } H(z) > -1/k ; \forall |z|=1$$



Circle criterion

# Stability in the presence of nonlinearities (tolerance of nonlinearities)



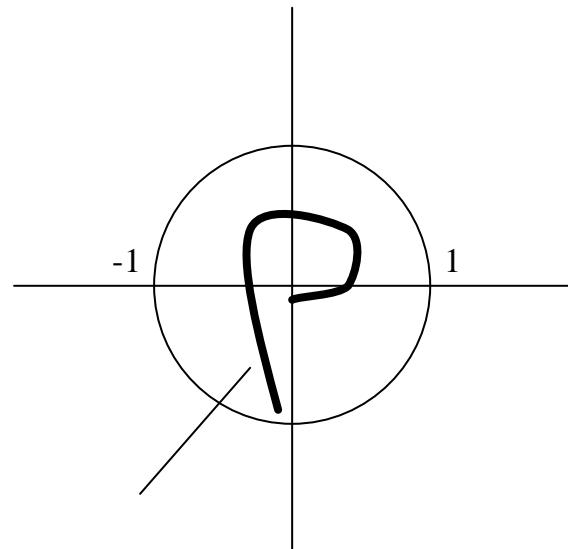
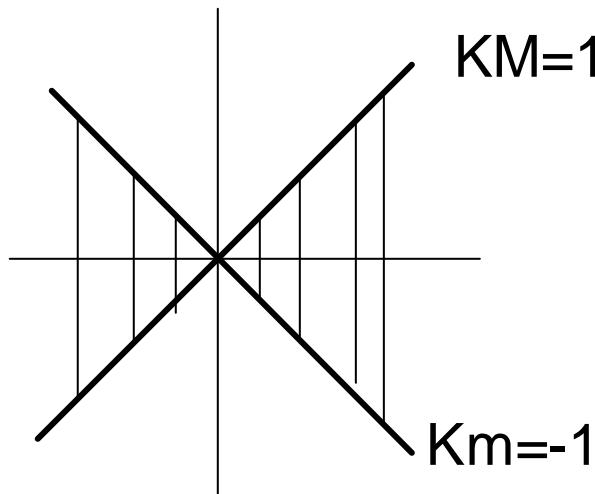
The modulus margin defines the tolerance with respect to nonlinear and/or time varying elements.

The tolerance sector is defined by :

Min gain:  $1/(1 + \Delta M)$

Max gain:  $1/(1 - \Delta M)$

## The circle criterion : a particular case



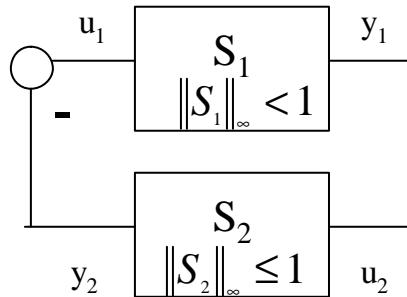
$H(z)$  should lie inside the unit circle

The modulus of the  $H(z)$  should be smaller than 1 at all frequencies i.e.:

$$\|H(z)\|_{\infty} < 1$$

This is the “small gain theorem”

## Small gain theorem



$S_1$ : linear time invariant (state  $x$ )

$$\|S_1\|_\infty < 1$$

$$S_2: \quad \|S_2\|_\infty \leq 1$$

Then:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0 ; \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u_1(t) = 0 ; \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y_1(t) = 0$$

*It will be used to characterize “robust stability”*

## Relationship between *passivity theorem* and *small gain theorem*

If  $H$  is *passive*,  $\|S\|_{\infty} = \left\| \frac{H-1}{H+1} \right\|_{\infty} \leq 1$

If  $\|S\|_{\infty} \leq 1 \Rightarrow H = \frac{1+S}{1-S}$  is *passive*

If  $H$  is *strictly passive*,  $\|S\|_{\infty} = \left\| \frac{H-1}{H+1} \right\|_{\infty} < 1$

If  $\|S\|_{\infty} < 1 \Rightarrow H = \frac{1+S}{1-S}$  is *strictly passive*

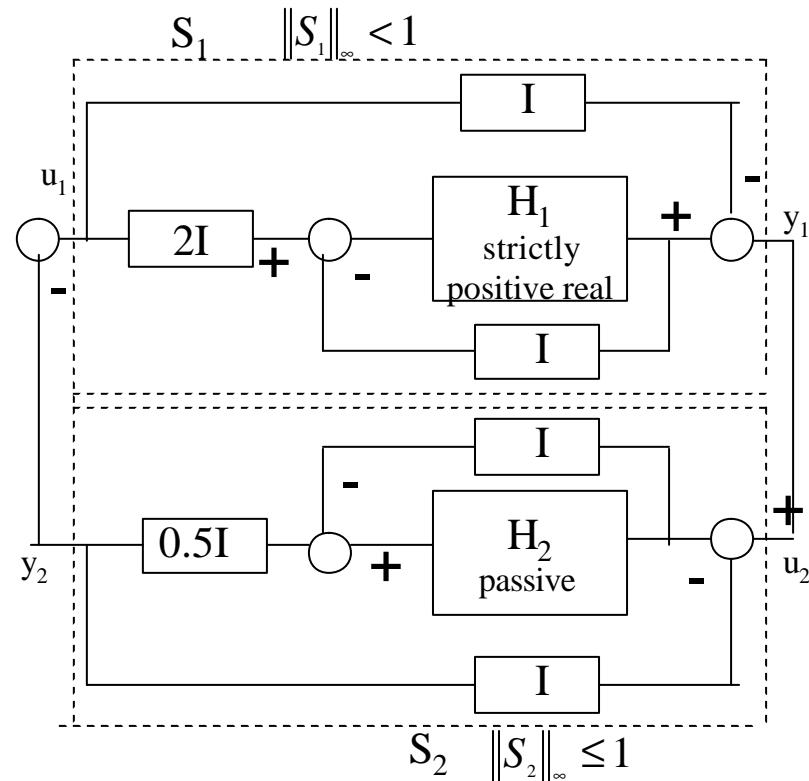
Hint for a proof:

$$|S(e^{-jw})|^2 = \frac{|H(e^{-jw}) - 1|^2}{|H(e^{-jw}) + 1|^2} = \frac{|H|^2 - 2 \operatorname{Re} H + 1}{|H|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re} H + 1} = 1 - \frac{4 \operatorname{Re} H}{|H(e^{-jw}) + 1|^2}$$

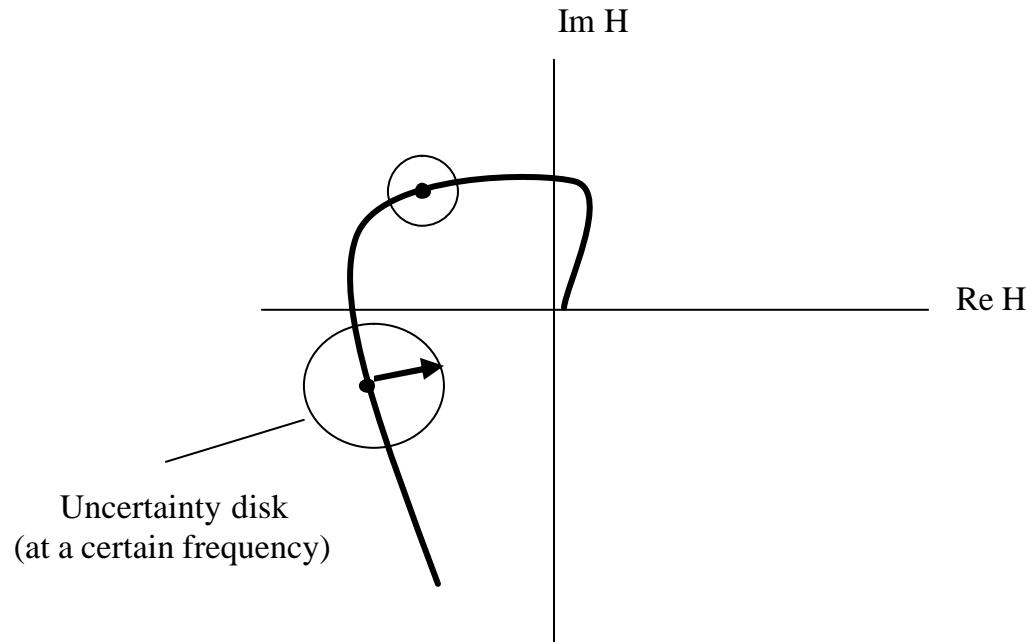
Remark:

Correct writing in the general operator case  $\|S\|_{\infty} = \|(H-1)(H+1)^{-1}\|_{\infty} \leq 1$

# Relationship between *passivity theorem* and *small gain theorem*



# Description of uncertainties in the frequency domain



- 1) It needs a description by a transfer function which may have any phase but a modulus  $< 1$
- 2) The size of the radius will vary with the frequency and is characterized by a transfer function

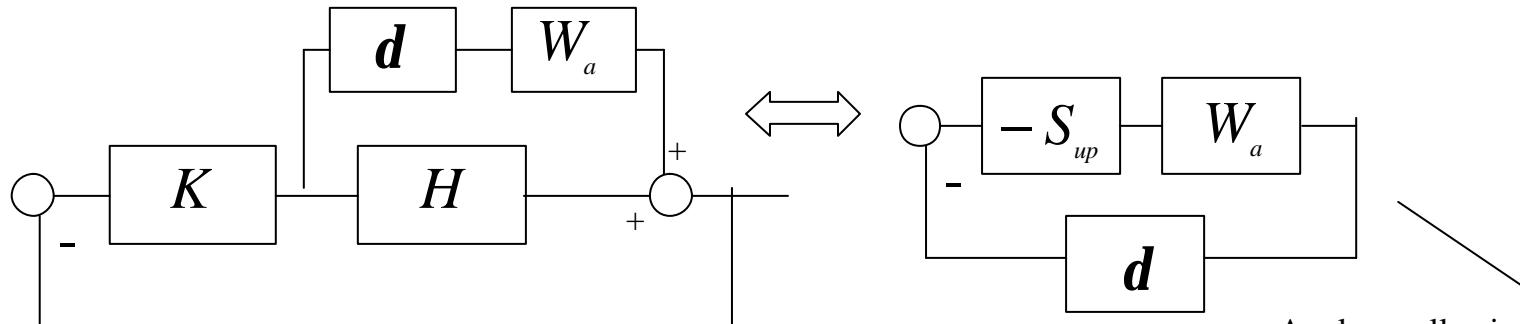
# Additive uncertainty

$$H'(z^{-1}) = H(z^{-1}) + \mathbf{d}(z^{-1})W_a(z^{-1})$$

$\mathbf{d}(z^{-1})$  any stable transfer function with  $\|\mathbf{d}(z^{-1})\|_\infty \leq 1$

$W_a(z^{-1})$  a stable transfer function

$$\left| H'(z^{-1}) - H(z^{-1}) \right|_{\max} = \| H'(z^{-1}) - H(z^{-1}) \|_\infty = \| W_a(z^{-1}) \|_\infty$$



Apply small gain theorem

$$K = R/S; H = z^{-d}B/A$$

Robust stability condition:

$$\| S_{up}(z^{-1})W_a(z^{-1}) \|_\infty < 1$$

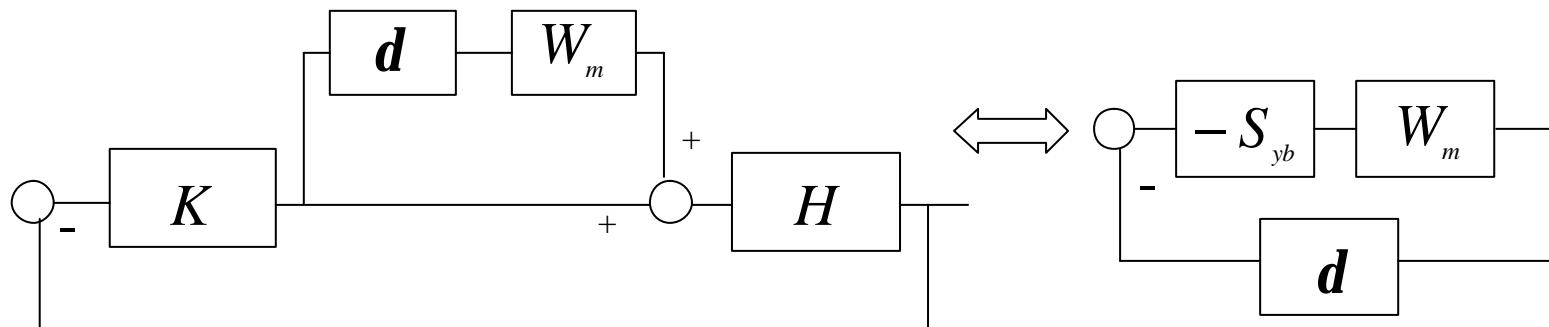
## Multiplicative uncertainties

$$H'(z^{-1}) = H(z^{-1})[1 + \mathbf{d}(z^{-1})W_m(z^{-1})]$$

$\mathbf{d}(z^{-1})$  any stable transfer function with  $\|\mathbf{d}(z^{-1})\|_{\infty} \leq 1$

$W_m(z^{-1})$  a stable transfer function

$$W_a(z^{-1}) = H(z^{-1})W_m(z^{-1})$$



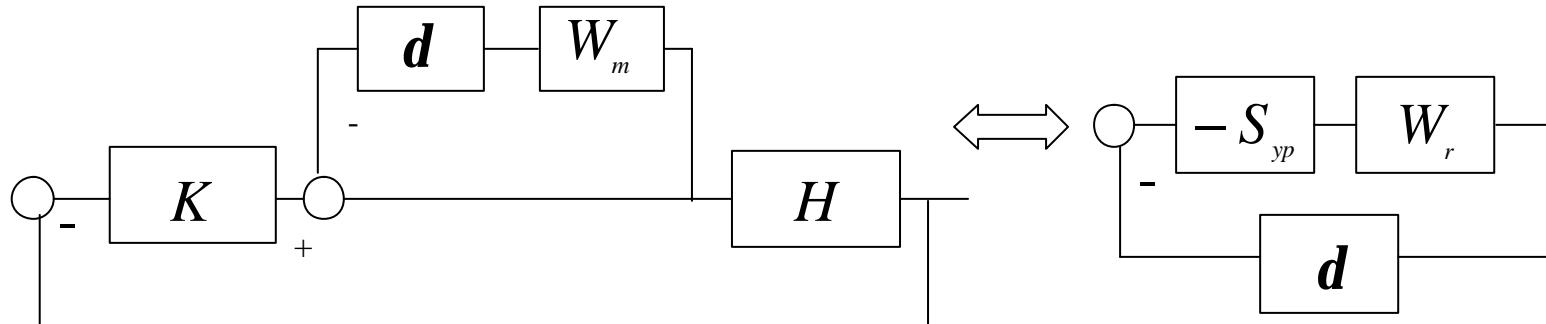
Robust stability condition:  $\|S_{yb}(z^{-1})W_m(z^{-1})\|_{\infty} < 1$

## Feedback uncertainties on the input

$$H'(z^{-1}) = \frac{H(z^{-1})}{[1 + \mathbf{d}(z^{-1})W_r(z^{-1})]}$$

$\mathbf{d}(z^{-1})$  any stable transfer function with  $\|\mathbf{d}(z^{-1})\|_{\infty} \leq 1$

$W_r(z^{-1})$  a stable transfer function



Robust stability condition:  $\|S_{yp}(z^{-1})W_r(z^{-1})\|_{\infty} < 1$

## Robust stability conditions

$H, H' \in P(W, \mathbf{d})$  —— Family (set) of plant models

***Robust stability :***

The feedback system is asymptotically stable for all the plant models belonging to the family  $P(W, \mathbf{d})$

- Additive uncertainties

$$\left\| S_{up}(z^{-1})W_a(z^{-1}) \right\|_\infty < 1 \iff |S_{up}(e^{-jw})| < |W_a(e^{-jw})|^{-1} \quad 0 \leq w \leq p$$

- Multiplicative uncertainties

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- Feedback uncertainties on the input (or output)

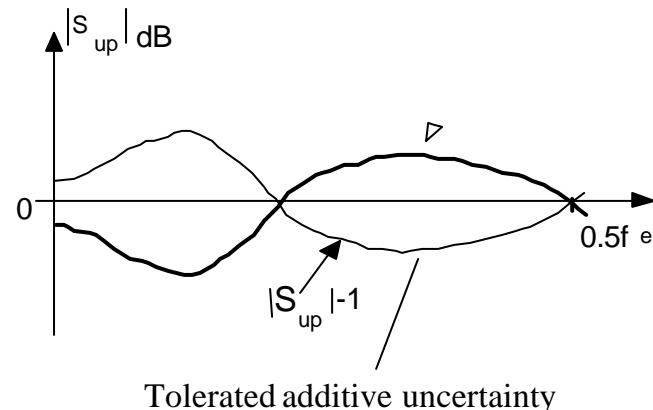
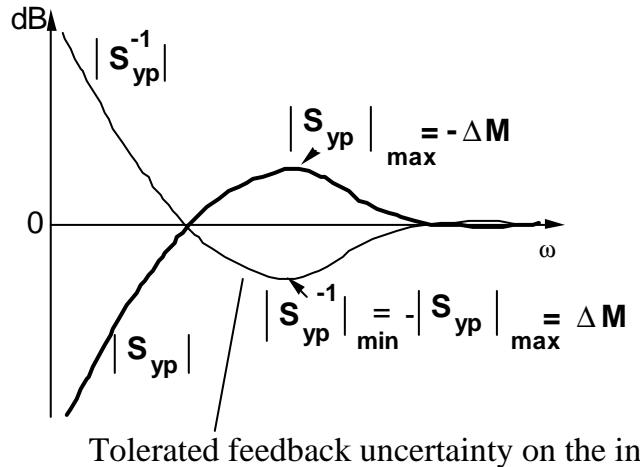
$$\left\| S_{yp}(z^{-1})W_r(z^{-1}) \right\|_\infty < 1 \iff |S_{yp}(e^{-jw})| < |W_r(e^{-jw})|^{-1} \quad 0 \leq w \leq p$$

# Robust stability and templates for the sensitivity functions

Robust stability condition:

$$|S_{xy}(e^{-jw})| < |W_z(e^{-jw})|^{-1} \quad 0 \leq w \leq p$$

- The functions  $|W(z^{-1})|^{-1}$  (the inverse of the size of the uncertainties) define an “upper” template for the sensitivity functions
- Conversely the frequency profile of  $|S_{xy}(e^{-jw})|$  can be interpreted in terms of tolerated uncertainties



## Modulus margin and robust stability

Modulus margin:  $|S_{yp}(e^{-jw})| < \Delta M$

Robust stability cond.:  $|S_{yp}(e^{-jw})| < |W_r(e^{-jw})|^{-1} \quad 0 \leq w \leq p$

Possible uncertainties characterized by:

$$W_r^{-1}(z^{-1}) = \Delta M$$

$$\mathbf{d}(z^{-1}) = \mathbf{I} \quad f(z^{-1}); -1 \leq I \leq 1$$

$$f(z^{-1}) = 1, z^{-1}, z^{-2}, \dots, \frac{z^{-1} + z^{-2}}{2}$$

Examples of families of plant models for which robust stability is guaranteed:

$$H'(z^{-1}) = H(z^{-1}) \frac{1}{1 - \mathbf{I} \Delta M}$$

$$H'(z^{-1}) = H(z^{-1}) \frac{1}{1 - \mathbf{I} \Delta M z^{-1}}$$

## Delay margin and robust stability

$$\Delta t = 1.T_s$$

$$H(z^{-1}) = \frac{z^{-d} B(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})}$$

$$H'(z^{-1}) = \frac{z^{-d-1} B(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})}$$

$$\frac{H'(z^{-1}) - H(z^{-1})}{H(z^{-1})} = z^{-1} - 1 \quad \text{Can be interpreted as a multiplicative uncertainty}$$

$$H'(z^{-1}) = H(z^{-1})[1 + d(z^{-1})W_m(z^{-1})] = H(z^{-1})[1 + (z^{-1} - 1)]$$

$$d(z^{-1}) = 1; W_m(z^{-1}) = (z^{-1} - 1)$$

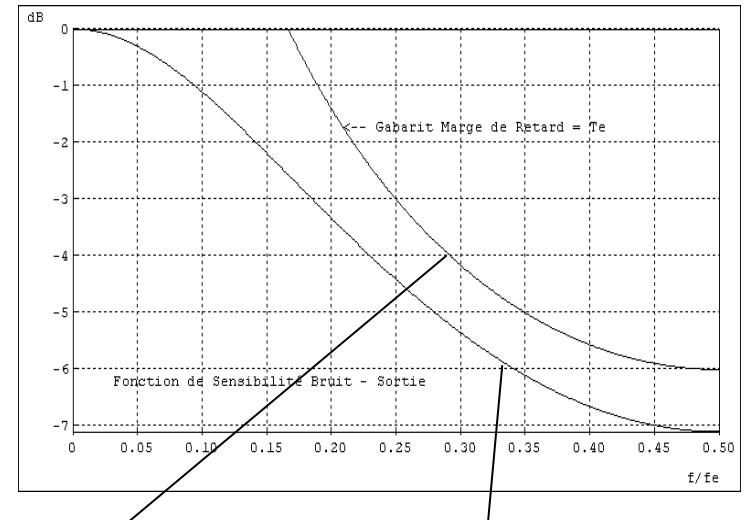
Robust stability condition:

$$|S_{yb}(e^{-jw})| < |W_m(e^{-jw})|^{-1} \quad 0 \leq w \leq p$$

$$|S_{yb}(z^{-1})| < \frac{1}{|z^{-1} - 1|}; z = e^{-jw}, 0 \leq w \leq p$$

$$|S_{yb}^{-1}(z^{-1})| dB < -20 \log |1 - z^{-1}|; z = e^{-jw}$$

Define a template on  $S_{yb}$



$S_{yb}$

## Delay margin template on $S_{yp}$

$$S_{yp}(z^{-1}) = \frac{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}$$

$$S_{yb}(z^{-1}) = \frac{-B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}{A(z^{-1})S(z^{-1}) + B(z^{-1})R(z^{-1})}$$

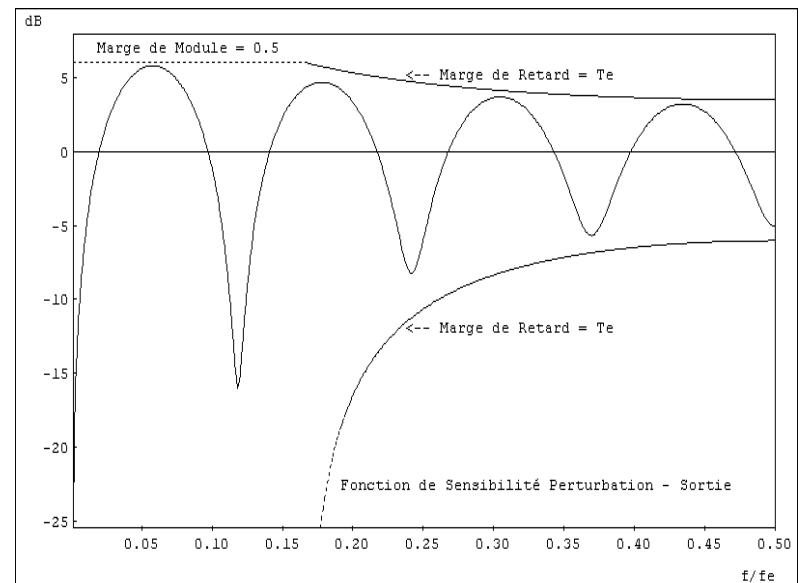
$$S_{yp}(z^{-1}) = 1 + S_{yb}(z^{-1})$$

$$1 - |S_{yb}(z^{-1})| \leq |S_{yp}(z^{-1})| \leq 1 + |S_{yb}(z^{-1})|$$

$$|S_{yb}(z^{-1})| < \frac{1}{|z^{-1} - 1|}; z = e^{-jw}, 0 \leq w \leq p$$

$$\boxed{1 - |1 - z^{-1}|^{-1} \leq |S_{yp}(z^{-1})| \leq 1 + |1 - z^{-1}|^{-1}}$$

Approximate condition



## Defintion of “templates” for the sensitivity functions

*Nominal performance* requirements and *robust stability* conditions lead to the definition of desired templates on the sensitivity functions

The union of various templates  $W_i^{-1}(e^{-jw})$  will define an *upper* and a *lower* template

*Upper* template:

$$\left| W^{-1}(e^{-jw}) \right|_{\sup} = \min_i \left[ \left| W_{S_1}^{-1}(e^{-jw}) \right|, \dots, \left| W_{S_n}^{-1}(e^{-jw}) \right| \right]$$

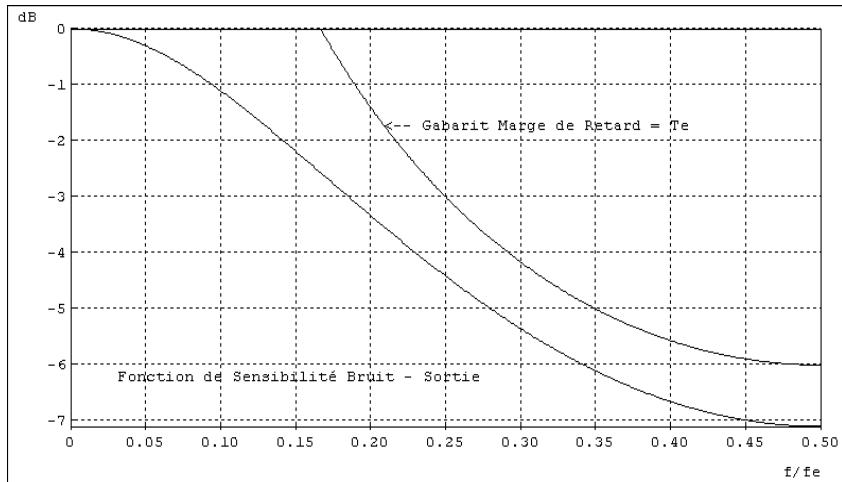
*Lower* template:

$$\left| W^{-1}(e^{-jw}) \right|_{\inf} = \max_i \left[ \left| W_{I_1}^{-1}(e^{-jw}) \right|, \dots, \left| W_{I_n}^{-1}(e^{-jw}) \right| \right]$$

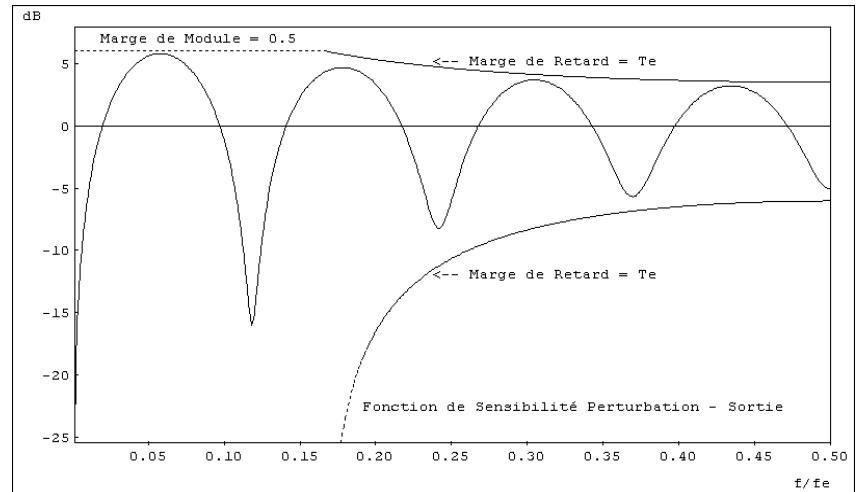
## Frequency templates on the sensitivity functions

The robust stability conditions allow to define frequency templates on the sensitivity functions which guarantee the delay margin and the modulus margin;

*The templates are essential for the design a good controller*

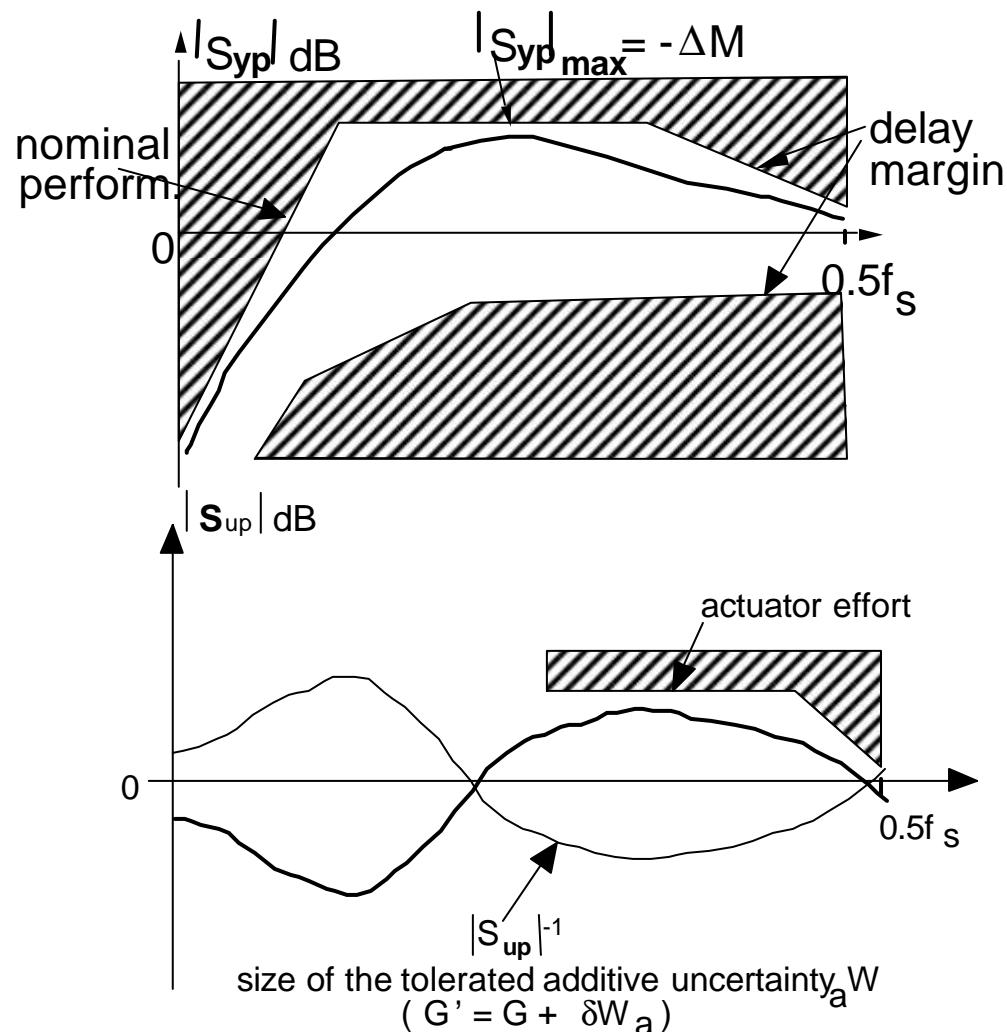


Frequency template on the noise-output sensitivity function  $S_{yb}$  for  $Dt = T_s$



Frequency template on the output sensitivity function  $S_{yp}$  for  $Dt = T_s$  and  $DM = 0.5$

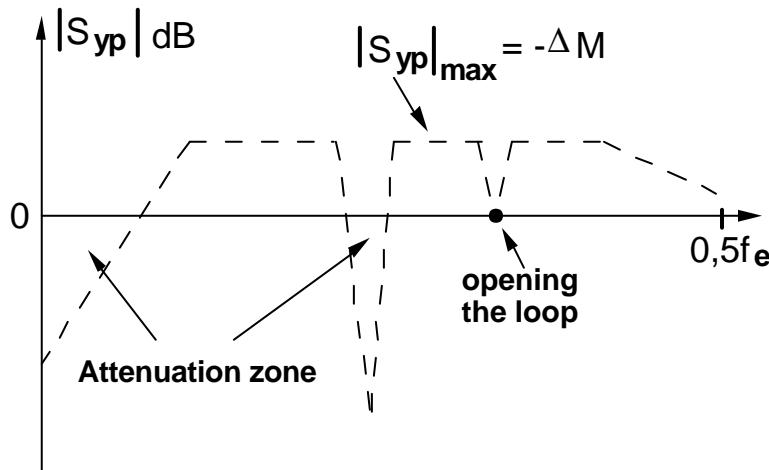
# Templates for the Sensitivity Functions



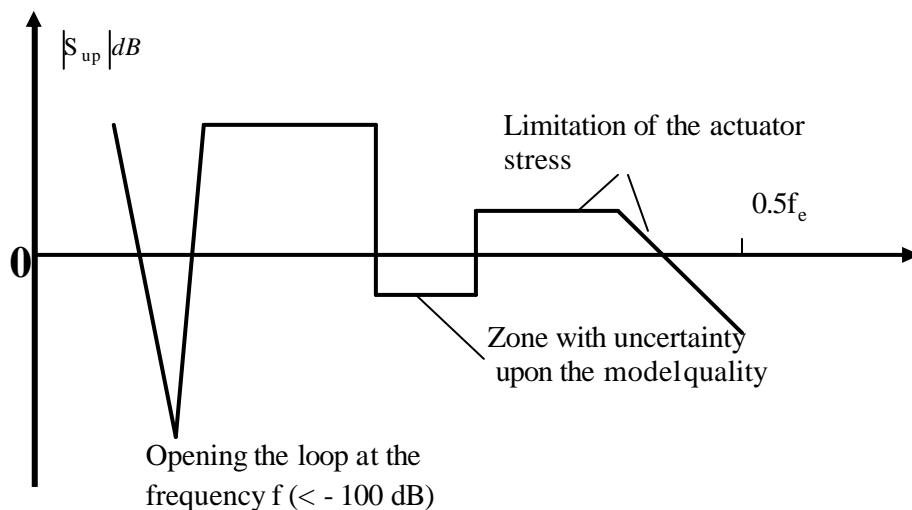
Output Sensitivity Function

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# Templates for the Sensitivity Functions



Output Sensitivity  
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