# Variable Structure Control ~ Disturbance Rejection

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#### Outline

- Linear Tracking & Disturbance Rejection
- Variable Structure Servomechanism
- Nonlinear Tracking & Disturbance Rejection



#### **Disturbance Rejection Setup**





## **Objectives**

Regulator Problem: Find a controller to achieve the following 1) Regulation:  $z(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ 2) (Internal) Stability: Achieve specified transient response Robust Regulator Problem: Find a solution to the Regulator Problem that satisfies

3) Robustness: 1) and 2) should be maintained under specified small perturbations of plant and/or control parameters



# **Solution: Part 1- Regulation**

Consider the possibility of a control  $\overline{u}(t)$  that produces a trajectory  $\overline{x}(t)$  for some unspecified initial state  $\overline{x}_0$  and any initial disturbance vector  $w_0$ , so that the corresponding  $\overline{z}(t) \equiv 0$ . Then,  $\overline{x}, \overline{u}, w$  must satisfy  $\dot{\overline{x}} = A\overline{x} + Ew + B\overline{u}$  $\dot{w} = Zw$  $0 = C\overline{x} + Fw + D\overline{u}$ Assume a solution of the form:  $\overline{x} = Xw, \overline{u} = Uw \Longrightarrow$ XZw = AXw + Ew + BUw $\forall w$ 0 = CXw + Fw + DUw

Thus, the hypothesized control  $\overline{u}(t)$  exists if there are X,U that satisfy





### **Solution: Part 2- Stability**

Define  $\delta u, \delta x$ 

 $u = \overline{u} + \delta u = Uw + \delta u$  $x = \overline{x} + \delta x = Xw + \delta x \Longrightarrow \delta \dot{x} = A\delta x + B\delta u$ 

Now, if (A, B) is controllable, it easy to choose  $\delta u = K \delta x$ so that the closed loop  $\delta \dot{x} = (A + BK) \delta x$  has desired transient characteristics.

With *K* chosen, the control can be written as a function of the system states *x*, *w* 

$$u = \overline{u} + \delta u = Uw + \delta u = Uw + K\delta x \Longrightarrow$$

$$u = Uw + K(x - Xw) = \begin{bmatrix} K & U - KX \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix} = K_{TOT} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$



#### **Solution: Part 3- Observation**

The control will be implemented using estimates of the composite state (x, w). Consider the composite system  $\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & E \\ 0 & Z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u$   $y = \overline{C}x + \overline{F}w$ 

If the composite system is observable, we can choose a matrix

*L*, so that the following observer has the desired dynamics:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x} \\ \hat{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & E \\ 0 & Z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x} \\ \hat{w} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u + L \left( \overline{C} \hat{x} + \overline{F} \hat{w} - y \right)$$



## **Properties of the Loop**





## Example





#### Example







We make only one change

$$u = K\Delta \hat{x} \Longrightarrow u = \psi(\Delta \hat{x}), \quad \psi_i(\Delta \hat{x}) = \begin{cases} \Delta u_i^+ & s_i(\Delta \hat{x}) > 0\\ \Delta u_i^+ & s_i(\Delta \hat{x}) < 0 \end{cases}, \quad s(\Delta \hat{x}) = G\Delta \hat{x}$$



# **Closed Loop Dynamics**

Combine the estimator equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{x} = A\hat{x} + Ew + Bu + L_1\overline{C}(\hat{x} - x) + L_1\overline{F}(\hat{w} - w)$$

with the estimator equation

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{w} = Z\hat{w} + L_2\overline{C}(\hat{x} - x) + L_2\overline{F}(\hat{w} - w)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\hat{x} - X\hat{w}) = A\hat{x} + Ew - XZ\hat{w} + (L_1 - XL_2)\left[\overline{C} \quad \overline{F}\right]\begin{bmatrix}\hat{x} - x\\\hat{w} - w\end{bmatrix} + BU\hat{w} + B\delta u$$
apply  $XZ\hat{w} = AX\hat{w} + E\hat{w} + BU\hat{w}$ 

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\hat{x} - X\hat{w}) = A(\hat{x} - X\hat{w}) + E(w - \hat{w}) + (L_1 - XL_2)\left[\overline{C} \quad \overline{F}\right]\begin{bmatrix}\hat{x} - x\\\hat{w} - w\end{bmatrix} + B\delta u$$



## **Closed Loop Dynamics, 2**



error



## **Sliding Behavior**

Let  $\delta \hat{x} = \hat{x} - \hat{\overline{x}}$  and define a new coordinates  $\delta \hat{x} \mapsto (\delta \chi_1, \delta \chi_2), \delta \chi_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n-m}, \delta \chi_2 \in \mathbb{R}^m$   $\begin{bmatrix} M \\ K \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} N & B \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$   $\delta \hat{x} = N \delta \chi_1 + B \delta \chi_2 \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \delta \chi_1 \\ \delta \chi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M \\ (KB)^{-1} & K \end{bmatrix} \delta \hat{x}$ 

Note: MB = 0, KN = 0, sliding  $\Leftrightarrow \delta \chi_2 \equiv 0 \Leftrightarrow K \delta \hat{x} = 0$ 

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \delta \chi_1 \\ x - \hat{x} \\ w - \hat{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} MAN & M(L_1 - XL_2)\overline{C} & M(L_1 - XL_2)\overline{F} \\ 0 & A - L_1\overline{C} & E - L_1\overline{F} \\ 0 & -L_2\overline{C} & Z - L_2\overline{F} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta \chi_1 \\ x - \hat{x} \\ w - \hat{w} \end{bmatrix}$$



# **Reaching Behavior**

Assume the switching control  $\psi$  is designed to stabilizes the switching manifold  $K\delta x = 0$  for the perturbation system  $\delta \dot{x} = A\delta x + B\psi(s), s = K\delta x$ 

Two important results follow

- trajectories are steered in finite time to a domain  $\mathfrak{D}$  that contains the subspace  $K\delta \hat{x} = 0$
- $\mathfrak{D}$  shrinks exponentially to the subspace  $K\delta \hat{x} = 0$



# Reaching, 2

**Theorem :** For a fixed  $\Delta > 0$ , there exists a finite time  $T(\Delta)$  such that  $\delta \hat{x}$  is confined to the domain

$$\left|k_{i}^{T}\delta\hat{x}\right| \leq \Delta, i = 1, \dots, m, \forall t \geq T(\Delta).$$

Moreover,  $\Delta \rightarrow 0, T(\Delta) \rightarrow \infty$ .

- this means that sliding does not occur on s = 0 but this manifold is reached asymptotically as  $\hat{x}(t) \rightarrow x(t), \hat{w}(t) \rightarrow w(t)$
- let  $\delta \hat{x}^*(t)$  denote an ideal sliding solution.  $\delta \hat{x}(t)$  can be viewed as non-ideal sliding in that it can be shown that there exists a constant *c* such that for all  $t \ge T(\Delta)$  $\|\delta \hat{x}^*(t) - \delta \hat{x}(t)\| \le c\Delta$
- The performance variables can be expressed as
  - $z = C(x \hat{x}) + F(w \hat{w}) + D\delta u$



as  $t \to \infty$ , we have  $(x - \hat{x}) \to 0, (w - \hat{w}) \to 0, \delta u \to \delta u_{eq} \to 0 \Longrightarrow z \to 0$