

**Problem 1.** Recall that a mapping  $u \mapsto y$  is **finite-gain  $\mathcal{L}_2$  stable** if there exists constants  $\gamma$  and  $\beta$  such that  $\|y\|_{\mathcal{L}_2} \leq \gamma\|u\|_{\mathcal{L}_2} + \beta$ . Here, the  $\mathcal{L}_2$  norm is:  $\|x\|_{\mathcal{L}_2} = \left(\int_0^T |x(t)|^2 dt\right)^{1/2}$ .

Consider the feedback interconnection in Figure 1.

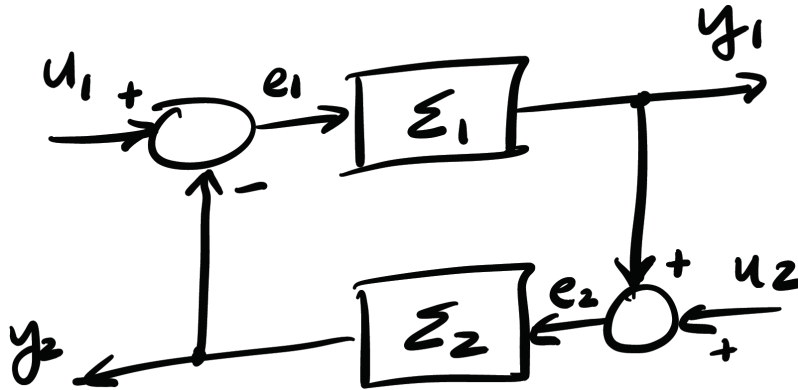


Figure 1: The feedback interconnection of  $\Sigma_1$  and  $\Sigma_2$ .

Show that the mapping from  $(u_1, u_2)$  to  $(y_1, y_2)$  is finite-gain  $\mathcal{L}_2$  stable if and only if the mapping from  $(u_1, u_2)$  to  $(e_1, e_2)$  is finite-gain  $\mathcal{L}_2$  stable.

**Problem 2.** Consider the following system:

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

Recall that this system is **output strictly passive** if there exists a storage function  $V(x)$  such that  $\dot{V}(x, u) \leq u^\top y - y^\top \rho(y)$  for some  $\rho$  with  $y^\top \rho(y) > 0$  for any  $y \neq 0$ .<sup>1</sup> Also, note the definition of finite-gain  $\mathcal{L}_2$  stable from the previous problem.

Suppose  $\Sigma_1$  is output strictly passive with  $\rho_1(y_1) = \delta_1 y_1$  and similarly  $\Sigma_2$  with  $\rho_2(y_2) = \delta_2 y_2$ .

Show that the feedback interconnection of Figure 1 is finite-gain  $\mathcal{L}_2$  stable, with  $\gamma \leq 1/\min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ .

<sup>1</sup>Recall also that a storage function is a continuously differentiable positive semidefinite function.

**Problem 3.** In this problem, we consider the Popov criterion for absolute stability. You will need the general form of the Kalman-Yakubovich-Popov lemma, which can be found on pg. 240 (Lemma 6.3) in Khalil.

We consider the system:

$$\dot{x} = Ax - b\varphi(c^\top x) \quad (1)$$

As discussed in lecture, we view this as the interconnection between the following SISO LTI system and static nonlinearity:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + bu & y &= c^\top x \\ u &= -\varphi(y) \end{aligned}$$

We've already shown that when  $g(s)$  is strictly positive real and  $\varphi$  is any passive nonlinearity (i.e.  $y\varphi(y) \geq 0$  for all  $y$ ), then the closed-loop system (Equation (1)) is globally asymptotically stable. (Of course, this is subject to some well-posedness of the feedback loop. Continuity of  $\varphi$  is sufficient to guarantee well-posedness.)

Now, let's generalize this a bit. Suppose:

- For some  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $(1 + \alpha s)g(s)$  is strictly positive real and  $-1/\alpha$  is not an eigenvalue of  $A$ .
- $\varphi(\cdot)$  is continuous and  $y\varphi(y) \geq 0$  for all  $y$ .

(Note that the case where  $g(s)$  is strictly positive real could be thought of as the special case where  $\alpha = 0$ .)

Show that the closed-loop system is globally asymptotically stable for any such nonlinearity  $\varphi$ .

**Hint:** Don't forget that the KYP lemma requires minimality of the state-space model in order to be invoked. Consider the Lyapunov function  $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^\top Px + \alpha \int_0^{c^\top x} \varphi(z)dz$ .