

# Optimization based control for Robots

## some solutions for the implementation issue

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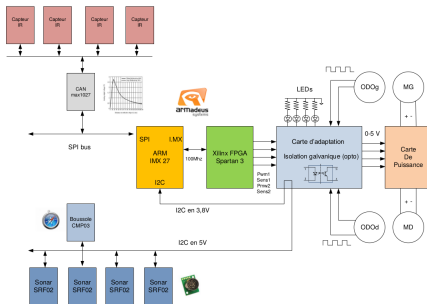
## Control point of view

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Today is dedicated to answer few questions with a control point of view in Robotics.

- Which Robotics?
- How to control a Robot?
- Are the GNC algorithms are a big issue?



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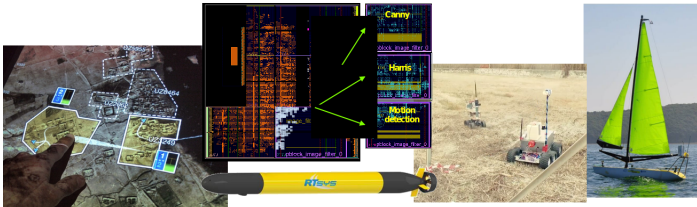
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# Ocean Senging and Mapping at ENSTA Bretagne

- OSM: Teaching and Research Department
- **Large scope of teaching activities:** hydrography, oceanography, embedded electronics, signal processing, information technology, computer science, robotics, etc.
- Research topics:
  - Hydrography/Oceanography
  - Underwater robotics
  - Sonar systems
  - Data Processing
- Application field: Maritime environment, civilian and defense.

# Focus on Robotics

- Robotics issues:
  - Guidance, Navigation and Control
  - Group of Robots: interaction management
  - Localisation
- Academic tools:
  - Interval Analysis
  - Data processing
  - Global Optimization
  - Robust Control



# Teaching

- Linear Control and Sensors
- Mobile Robotics
- Localisation and Kalman filter
- Prototyping Robots
- Middleware and Compilation
- Simulation and nonlinear control
- Digital conception
- Robust Control
- Vision
- Robotics Architecture

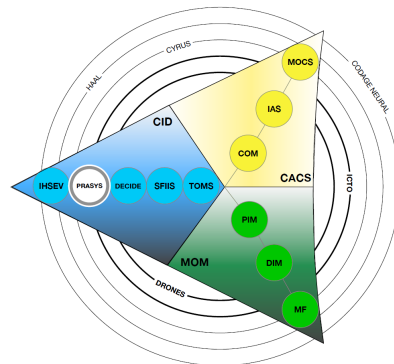
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- UMR CNRS 6285
- CID : Connaissance Information Decision
- PRASYS : **P**erception, **R**obotics, **A**utonomous **S**ystems



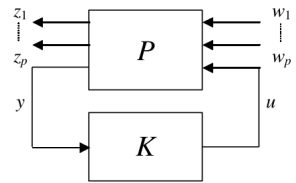




# What is robust control

**Question :** find a controller that insures performances to the closed loop

- $P$  et  $K$  : systèmes LTI ou LPV - MIMO
- $u$  = commandes,  $y$  = mesures
- Transferts  $T_i$  utilisés pour spécifier différents objectifs de performance ou robustesse :



$$\begin{aligned} \|T_{z_1/w_1}\| &< \gamma_1 \\ &\vdots \\ \|T_{z_p/w_p}\| &< \gamma_p \end{aligned} \quad \leftarrow \quad \left\| \begin{array}{c} \phantom{z_1} \\ \phantom{z_p} \end{array} \right\|_2 \text{ ou } \left\| \phantom{z_1} \right\|_\infty$$

$$K = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} A_K & B_K \\ \hline C_K & D_K \end{array} \right)$$

$$P = \left( \begin{array}{c|ccc} A & B_1 & B_2 & B_u \\ \hline C_1 & D_{11} & D_{12} & D_{1u} \\ C_2 & D_{21} & D_{22} & D_{2u} \\ C_y & D_{y1} & D_{y2} & 0 \end{array} \right)$$



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# Control / Objectives / Optimisation Constraints

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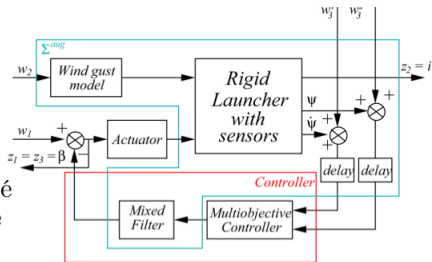
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- i2p (Impulse to peak)  
Influence du vent sur l'incidence
- $H_\infty$   
Sur la fonction de sensibilité pour les marges de stabilité
- $H_2$   
Influence des bruit et Réduction de consommation
- Filtrage  
Contrôle des modes avec réglage séparé



$$\begin{aligned} \min_{K \in \mathcal{K}} \quad & \alpha_i \gamma_{w-i} + \alpha_c \gamma_{cons} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \|\Sigma_{mod}^{aug.} \star K\|_\infty^2 \leq \gamma_{mod} \\ & \|\Sigma_{W-i}^{aug.} \star K\|_{i2p}^2 \leq \gamma_{w-i} \\ & \|\Sigma_{cons}^{aug.} \star K\|_2^2 \leq \gamma_{cons} \end{aligned}$$

D. Arzelier, B. Clement et D. Peaucelle. Multi-objective H2/H $\infty$ /Impulse-to-Peak Control of a Space Launch Vehicle. *European Journal of Control*, vol. 12, no. 1, 2006



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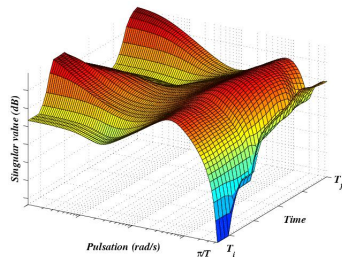
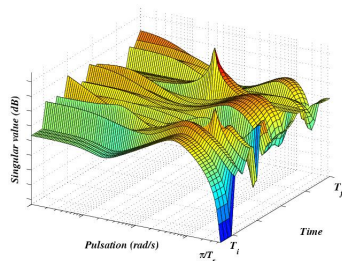
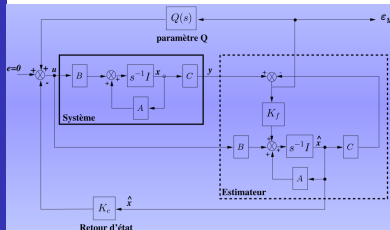
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Structure is good for

- gains interpolation for LPV systems
- interpretation for physical behavior
- implementation in embedded system (example of PID next slide)







# Motivation

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## Optimisation based control

### Observations:

- In Automatic, Robotic, Electronic or Mechanic, engineers know very well their problems.  
⇒ Physical Sense
- In Optimization, the specification of each solver need to classify a model: LP, NLP, MINLP, SDP, DFO,...  
If the model cannot be classify: Modification, Adaptation, Reformulation, ...  
⇒ Numerical Sense

# Physical Solutions $\longleftrightarrow$ Numerical Solutions

⇒ **Goal:** Propose optimization tools to build the best solver for their **own** problems.







General pattern for global optimization

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# Illustration: $C_{in}$ , $C_{out}$

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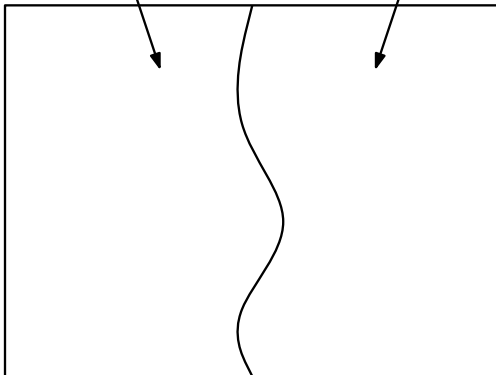
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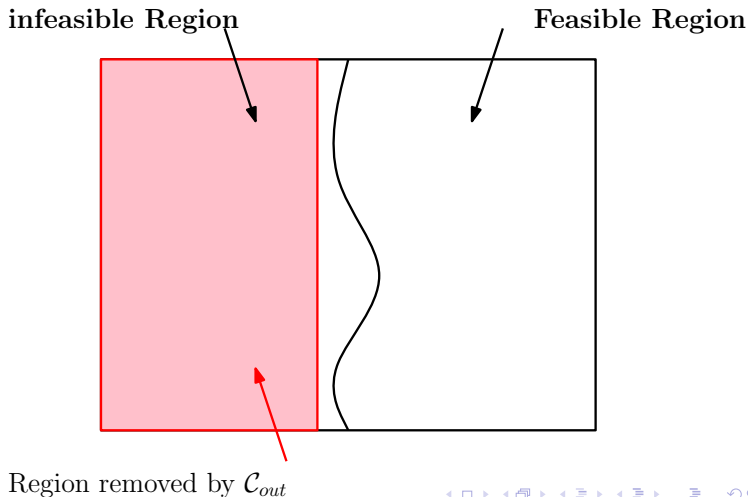
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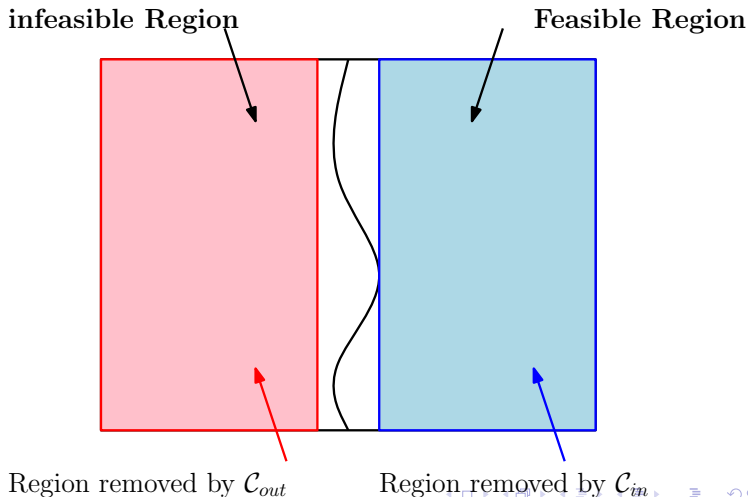
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Without equation or system,  
**How to prove that a point is a feasible point?**

Prove that  $x \in \mathbb{K}$

$\nRightarrow$

Prove that  $x \notin \overline{\mathbb{K}}$

$x$  is contracted by  $\mathcal{C}_{in} \Leftrightarrow x \in \mathbb{K} \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C}_{out}$  proves that  $x$  is in  $\mathbb{K}$ .

$\mathcal{C}_{in}$  will eliminate all the part of a box which **are not** in  $\overline{\mathbb{K}}$ .  
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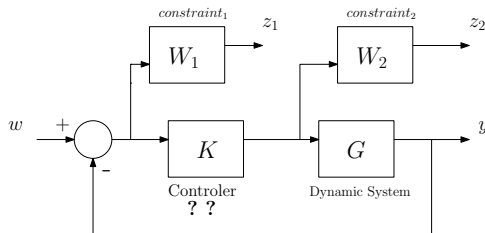


# Global Optimization based on Contractor



- $\mathcal{L} := \{(\mathbf{x}, \text{false})\}$ , The boolean indicate if  $\mathbf{x}$  is entirely feasible
- Do
  - 1 Extract from  $\mathcal{L}$  a element  $(\mathbf{z}, b)$ ,
  - 2 Bisect  $\mathbf{z}$  following a bisector  $\mathcal{B}$ :  $(\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2)$
  - 3 for  $j = 1$  to  $2$  :
    - if  $b = \text{false}$  (i.e.  $\mathbf{x}$  is not completely feasible) then
      - Contract the infeasible region using  $\mathcal{C}_{out}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_f$ ,
      - Extract  $\mathbf{z}_{feas}$  a feasible part of  $\mathbf{z}_j$  using  $\mathcal{C}_{in}$ ,
      - Insert  $(\mathbf{z}_{feas}, \text{true})$  in  $\mathcal{L}$ .
      - Insert the rest  $(\mathbf{z}_j, \text{false})$  in  $\mathcal{L}$ .
    - else (i.e.  $\mathbf{x}$  is entirely feasible)
      - Contract  $\mathbf{z}_j$  using  $\mathcal{C}_f$ ,
      - Try to find a local optimum without constraint in  $[\mathbf{z}_j]$ ,
      - if succeed then Update  $\tilde{f}$  insert  $(\mathbf{z}_j, \text{true})$  in  $\mathcal{L}$ .
- stopping criterion

## $H_\infty$ control synthesis under structural constraints


$$H_\infty \text{ control synthesis} \Rightarrow \text{Guarantee the robustness and stability}$$

$$\|P\|_\infty = \sup_{\omega} (\sigma_{\max}(P(j\omega)))$$

- Classical approach without structural constraint  
→ LMI system, SDP optimization
- Classical approach **with** structural constraint  
→ Nonsmooth **local** optimization







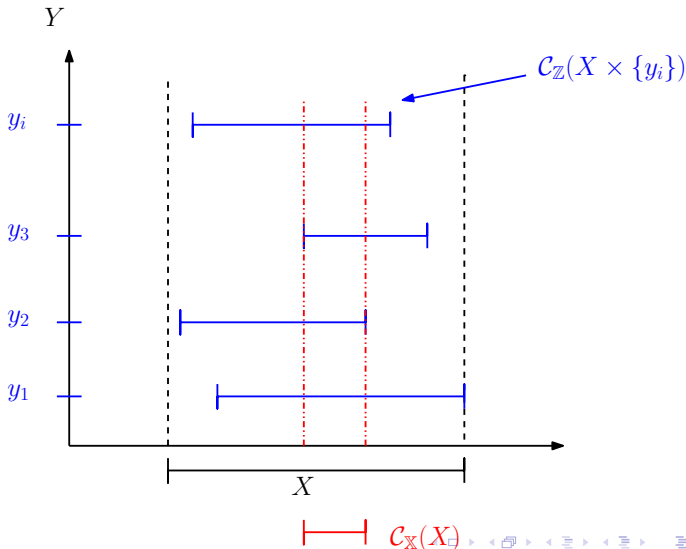






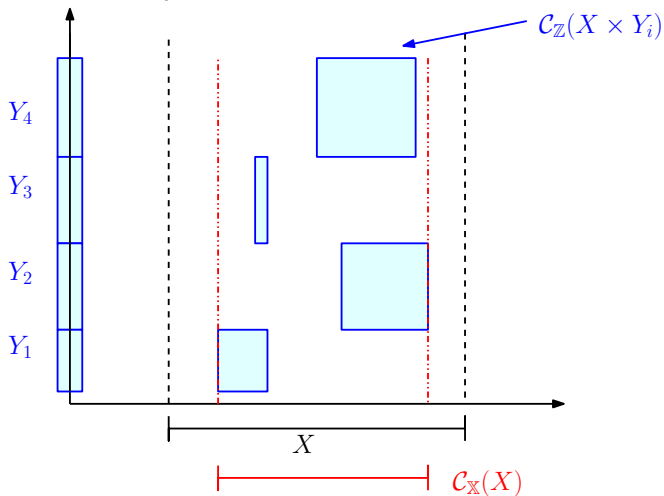


# Contractor CtcForAll: $\mathbb{X} = \{x : \forall y \in \mathbb{Y}, (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}\}$



# Contractor CtcExist: $\mathbb{X} = \{x : \exists y \in \mathbb{Y}, (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

$$Y = Y_1 \cup Y_2 \cup Y_3 \cup Y_4$$



## Construction of Contractors $\mathcal{C}_{out}$ of the feasible set $\mathbb{K}$

$\mathcal{C}_{out}$  will eliminate all the part of a box which are not in  $\mathbb{K}$ .

$$\mathbb{K}_\omega^1 = \left\{ (k, \gamma, \omega) : \left\| \frac{W_1(i\omega)}{1+G(i\omega)K(i\omega)} \right\|_\infty \leq \gamma \right\},$$

$$\mathbb{K}_\omega^2 = \left\{ (k, \gamma, \omega) : \left\| \frac{W_2(i\omega)K(i\omega)}{1+G(i\omega)K(i\omega)} \right\|_\infty \leq \gamma \right\},$$

$$\mathbb{K} = \left( \bigcap_{\omega \in [10^{-2}, 10^2]} \mathbb{K}_\omega^1 \cap \mathbb{K}_\omega^2 \right) \cap \mathbb{K}^{Routh}.$$

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## Construction of Contractors $\mathcal{C}_{in}$ of the unfeasible set

$\mathcal{C}_{in}$  will eliminate all the part of a box which are not in  $\overline{\mathbb{K}}$ .

$$\overline{\mathbb{K}_\omega^1} = \left\{ (k, \gamma, \omega) : \left\| \frac{W_1(i\omega)}{1+G(i\omega)K(i\omega)} \right\| > \gamma \right\},$$

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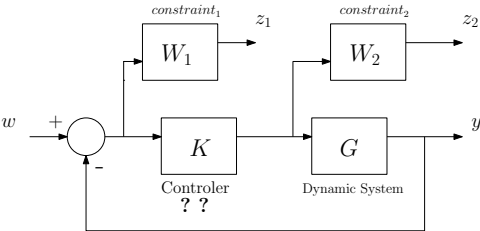








# First Application with second order dynamic system



The transfer function of the dynamic system:

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1.4s + 1}, \quad K(s) = k_p + \frac{k_i}{s} + \frac{k_d s}{1 + s}.$$

$$W_1(s) = \frac{s + 100}{100s + 1}, \quad W_2(s) = \frac{10s + 1}{s + 10}.$$





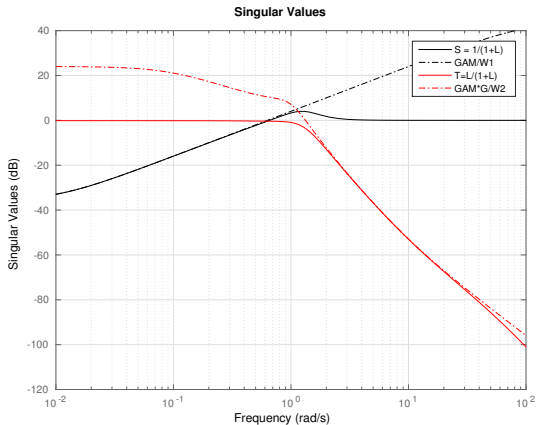


# Comparing Results

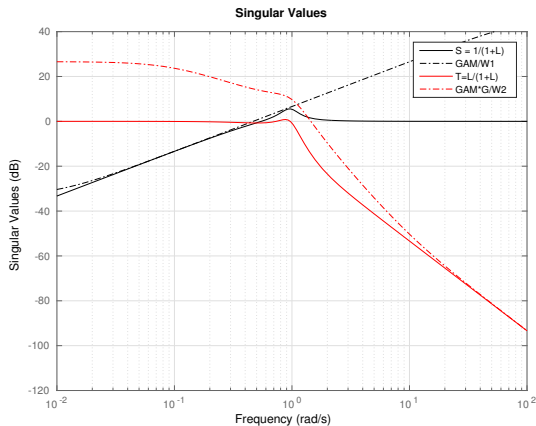
The same problem is proposed with 2 existant tools and compared with the new approach.

- ① HINFSYN of Matlab - full order controller with convex optimization based on LMI ( $\gamma = 1.5887$ );
- ② HINFSTRUCT of Matlab - structured controller with local optimization ( $\gamma = 2.1414$ ).
- ③ Global Optimization of IBEX ( $\gamma = 2.1414$ )

# Results with HINFSYN of Matlab



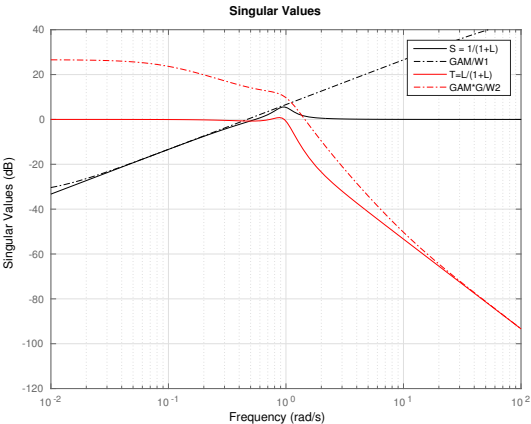
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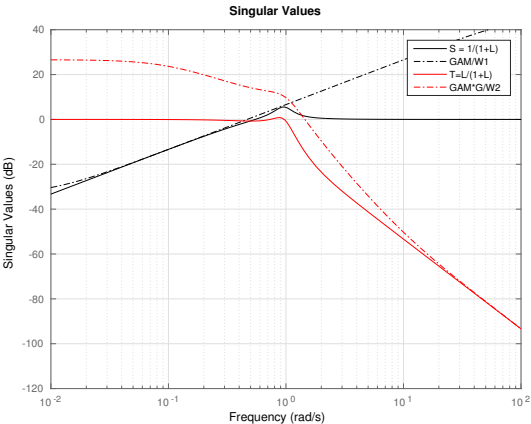
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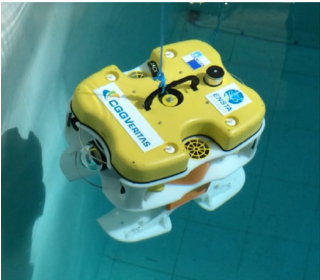
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# To keep in mind

## Contractor Programming:

- Generates the Modeling and the adapted Solver in the same time,
- Consider heterogeneous constraints without changing the solver,
- Give all the tools to the expert of the application.

# AUV CISCREA



Size	0.525m (L) 0.406m (W) 0.395m (H)
Weight in air	15.56kg (without payload and floats)
Degrees of Freedom	Surge, Sway, Heave and Yaw
Propulsion	2 vertical and 4 horizontal propellers
Speed	2 knots (Surge) and 1 knot (Sway, Heave)
Depth Rating	50m
On-board Battery	2-4 hours

Rigid-body dynamic:

$$M_{RB}\dot{\nu} + C_{RB}(\nu)\nu = \tau_{env} + \tau_{hydro} + \tau_{pro} \quad (1)$$

Hydrodynamic formulations:

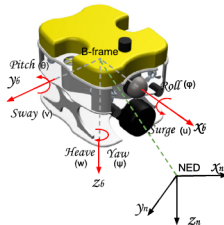
$$\tau_{hydro} = -M_A \dot{\nu} - C_A(\nu)\nu - D(|\nu|)\nu - g(\eta) \quad (2)$$

Damping:

$$D(|\nu|) = D_L + D_N|\nu|\nu \quad (3)$$

Parameter	Description
$M_{RB}$	AUV rigid-body mass and inertia matrix
$M_A$	Added mass matrix
$C_{RB}$	Rigid-body induced coriolis-centripetal matrix
$C_A$	Added mass induced coriolis-centripetal matrix
$D( \nu )$	Damping matrix
$g(\eta)$	Restoring forces and moments vector
$\tau_{env}$	Environmental disturbances(wind,waves and currents)
$\tau_{hydro}$	Vector of hydrodynamic forces and moments
$\tau_{pro}$	Propeller forces and moments vector

# AUV CISCREA Yaw model



We consider that there are no dependencies between the yaw dynamic and dynamics along other axis.

Resulting Yaw dynamic:

$$(I_{YRB} + I_{YA})\ddot{x} + D_{YN}|\dot{x}|\dot{x} + D_{YL}\dot{x} = K_t\tau_i \tag{4}$$

However,  $H_\infty$  synthesis requires a linear system. Thus, the CISCREA yaw model could be linearized as:

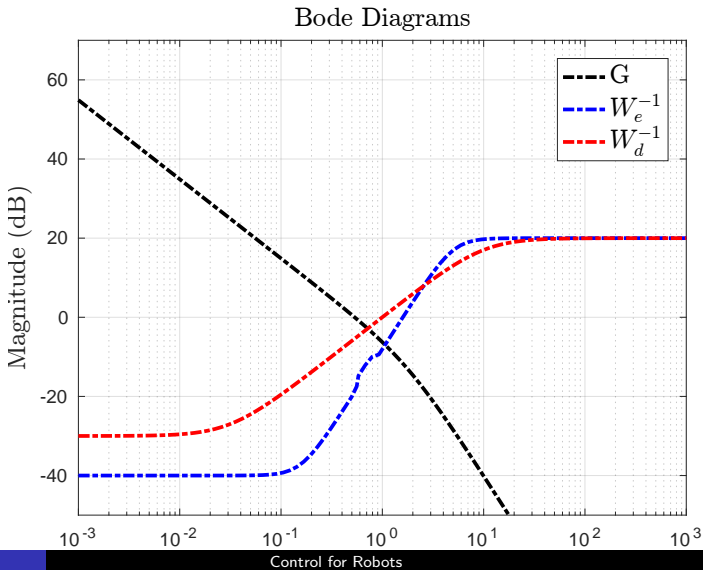
$$(I_{YRB} + I_{YA})\ddot{x} + (D_{YLA} + \delta)\dot{x} = K_t\tau_i \tag{5}$$







# Bode diagrams of Weighted functions



# Min Max Problem

- The controller  $K(k, s)$  depends on free parameters  $k$ .
- $T_{r \rightarrow e}(k, s) = \frac{1}{1+G(s)K(k,s)}$  depends on  $k$
- $T_{d \rightarrow y}(k, s) = \frac{G(s)}{1+G(s)K(k,s)}$  depends on  $k$

The constraint satisfaction problem is:

Find  $k$ ,  $\max(\|T_{r \rightarrow e}(k, s)W_e(s)\|_\infty, \|T_{d \rightarrow y}(k, s)W_y(s)\|_\infty) \leq 1$

- $\|T(s)\|_\infty = \sup_{\omega} |T(i\omega)|$

The Min Max problem is:

$$\min_k \sup_{\omega \geq 0} \{ \max(|T_{r \rightarrow e}(k, s)W_e(s)|, |T_{d \rightarrow y}(k, s)W_y(s)|) \}$$

We solve the Min Max problem with Global optimization based on interval analysis.

- Existing methods are based on local optimization. They only provide an upper bound of the objective function.
- Global optimization provides an enclosure of the objective function. It is possible to prove that the CSP (*Constraint Satisfaction Problem*) is not feasible.





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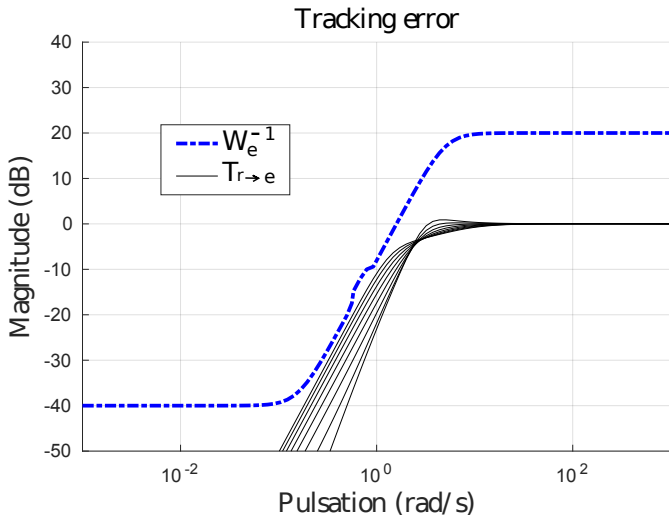
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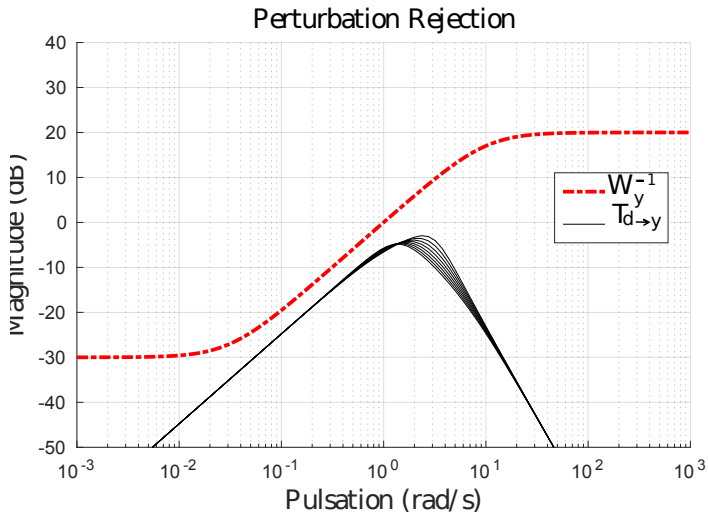
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# Tracking error constraint

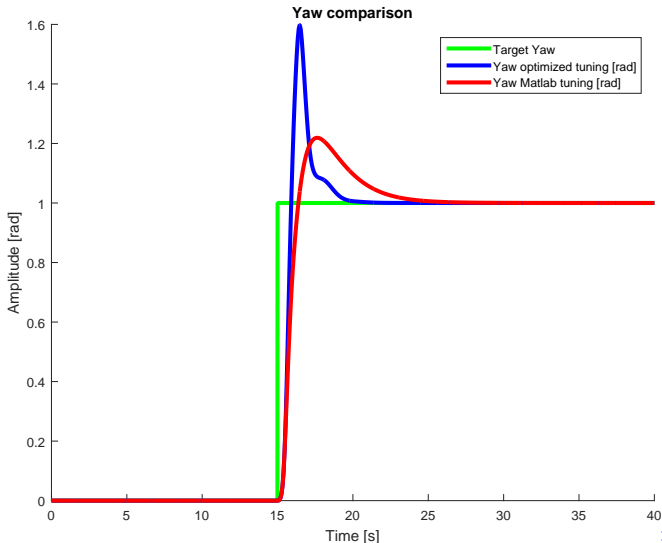




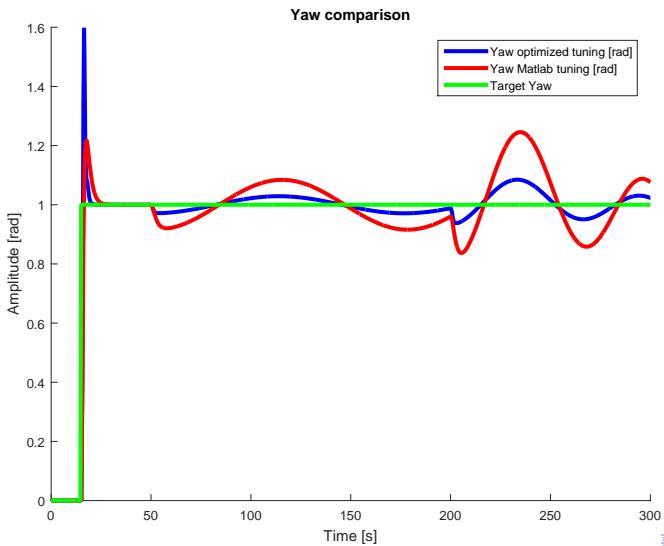
# Perturbation rejection



# Step response without perturbation



# Step response with perturbation



# Conclusion for the robot control

- Robust control synthesis method based on global optimization: the optimal PID
- Robustness analysis with respect to uncertainties with experiments on a real underwater robot

## Conclusions

- Need: structured control based on end-used demand
- Answers : an original approach based on global optimization (change the hegemony of SPD)
- Perspectives: generalization of the concept for nonlinear control, temporal specifications, etc...
- Others applications:



