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# A Frequency-shaped Controller for Damping Inter-area Oscillations in Power Systems



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- Wide-area measurements in power systems make possible to study global control approaches.
- Inter-area oscillations are a phenomenon that affect sparsely interconnected power systems and occur at a narrow and defined frequency range (0.1 – 1Hz). This phenomenon is global (affects the entire interconnection) and can be addressed with wide-area control
- An approach that focuses the control action to a defined frequency range is appropriate for this problem
- Such an approach is frequency shaping optimal control

# Frequency Shaping Optimal Control



- For a linear time invariant system described by

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) & x \in \mathbb{R}^n & u \in \mathbb{R}^m & y \in \mathbb{R}^p \\ y(t) &= Cx(t) & \text{states} & \text{control inputs} & \text{outputs}\end{aligned}$$

- The standard optimal control approach aims at finding the optimal input  $u(t)$  to minimize the cost function

$$J(u) = \int_0^{\infty} (x(t)^{\top} Q x(t) + u(t)^{\top} R u(t)) dt \quad \text{where} \quad Q \geq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \quad R > 0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$$

 **Time domain**

- Using Parseval's theorem

$$J(u) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} (X(j\omega)^{\top} Q X(j\omega) + U(j\omega)^{\top} R U(j\omega)) d\omega \quad \longleftarrow \text{Frequency domain}$$

# Frequency Shaping Optimal Control



- Working in the frequency domain, the state and input cost ( $Q, R$ ) matrices can be made frequency dependent as

$$Q(j\omega) = Q_f(j\omega)^H Q_f(j\omega) \succeq 0$$

$$R(j\omega) = R_g(j\omega)^H R_g(j\omega) \succ 0$$

- The state and the input can also be redefined as

$$X_f(j\omega) = Q_f(j\omega)X(j\omega)$$

$$U_g(j\omega) = R_g(j\omega)U(j\omega)$$

- The cost function can be rewritten as

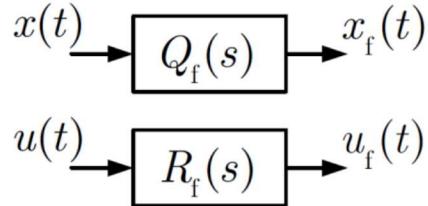
$$J(u) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty (X_f(j\omega)^H X_f(j\omega) + U_g(j\omega)^H U_g(j\omega)) d\omega \quad \text{Frequency domain}$$

$$J(u) = \int_0^\infty (x_f(t)^\top x_f(t) + u_g(t)^\top u_g(t)) dt \quad \text{Time domain}$$

# Frequency Shaping Optimal Control



- The new variables can be interpreted as the output of filters



- The state representation of the filters are

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{z}_Q(t) &= A_Q z_Q(t) + B_Q x(t) \\ x_f(t) &= C_Q z_Q(t) + D_Q x(t)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{z}_R(t) &= A_R z_R(t) + B_R u(t) \\ u_f(t) &= C_R z_R(t) + D_R u(t)\end{aligned}$$

- With the filters above and the original state space representation of the system, an extended state space representation can be formulated as

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}(t) \\ \dot{z}_Q(t) \\ \dot{z}_R(t) \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{x}_e} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A & 0 & 0 \\ B_Q & A_Q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_R \end{bmatrix}}_{A_e} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ z_Q(t) \\ z_R(t) \end{bmatrix}}_{x_e} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \\ B_R \end{bmatrix}}_{B_e} u(t)$$

# Frequency Shaping Optimal Control



- The cost function can be redefined using these new variables as

$$J(u) = \int_0^\infty \left( x_e(t)^\top Q_e x_e(t) + 2u(t)^\top N_e x_e(t) + u(t)^\top R_e u(t) \right) dt$$

where  $Q_e, N_e, R_e$  are defined as

$$Q_e = \begin{bmatrix} D_Q^\top D_Q & D_Q^\top C_Q & 0 \\ C_Q^\top D_Q & C_Q^\top C_Q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C_R^\top C_R \end{bmatrix} \quad N_e = [0 \ 0 \ D_R^\top C_R] \quad R_e = D_R^\top D_R$$

- The solution to this system is the following Riccati equation

$$A_e P_e + P_e A_e - (B_e^\top P_e + N_e)^\top R_e^{-1} (B_e^\top P_e + N_e) + Q_e = 0$$

- The optimal input to the system is

$$u_{\text{opt}}(t) = -R_e^{-1} (B_e^\top P_e + N_e) x_e(t)$$

# Frequency Shaping Optimal Control



- Considering the extended system outputs

$$y_e(t) = C_e x_e(t) + D_e u(t)$$

where

$$C_e = \begin{bmatrix} C & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n_Q} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{n_R} \end{bmatrix} \quad D_e = \begin{bmatrix} D \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Considering the constraint that only the outputs are available (optimal output feedback control)

$$u(t) = K y_e(t)$$

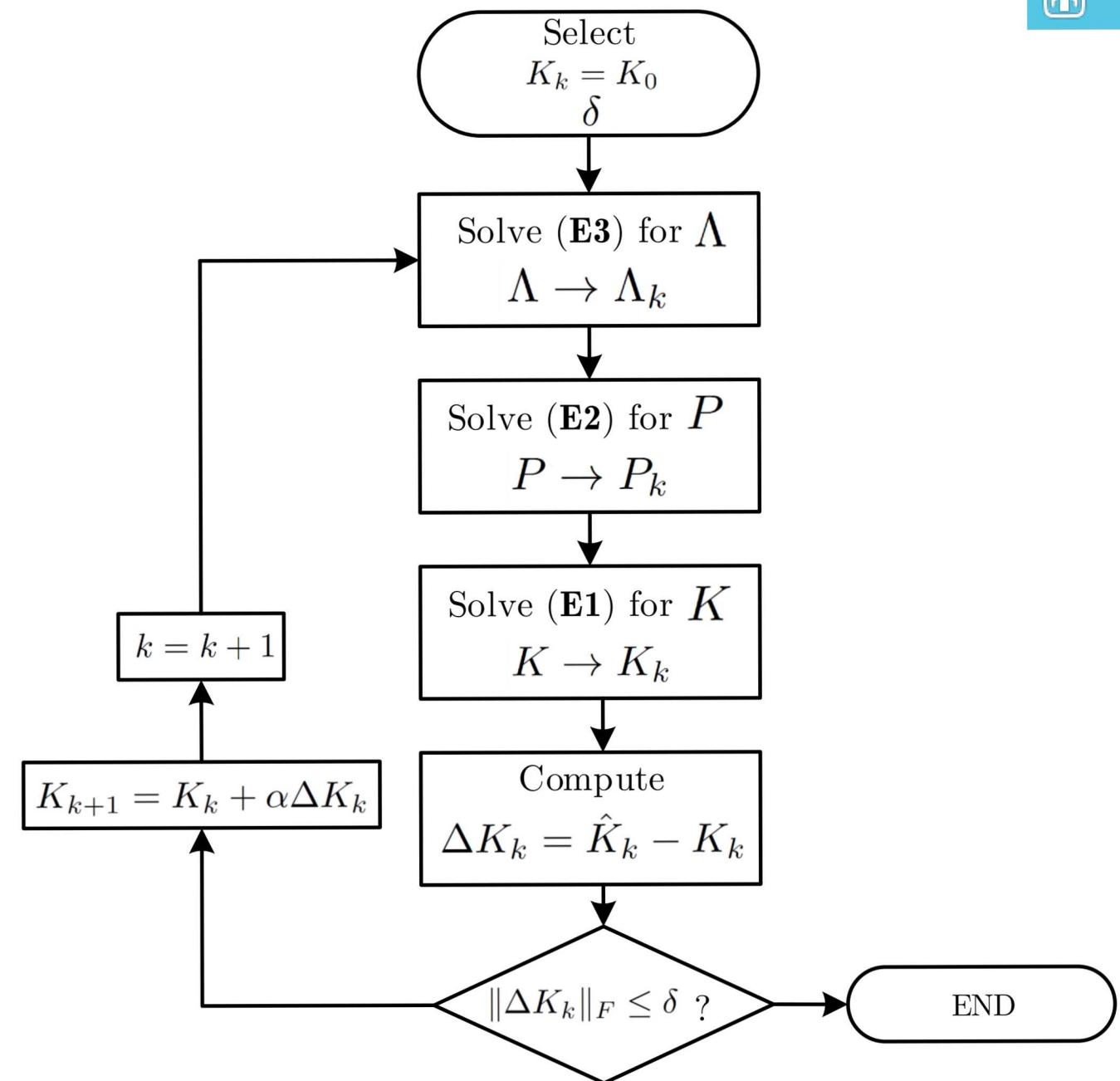
- The optimal gain can be found by solving the following system of equations

$$K = -R_e^{-1}(B_e^\top P + N_e)\Lambda C_e^\top (C_e \Lambda C_e^\top)^{-1} \quad (\text{E1})$$

**Lyapunov-type**  $\begin{cases} 0 = Q_e + C_e^\top K^\top N_e + N_e^\top K C_e + C_e^\top K^\top R_e K C_e + P(A_e + B_e K C_e) + (A_e + B_e K C_e)^\top P \\ 0 = (A_e + B_e K C_e)\Lambda + \Lambda(A_e + B_e K C_e)^\top + X_0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{E2})$   $\quad (\text{E3})$

# Numerical Solution

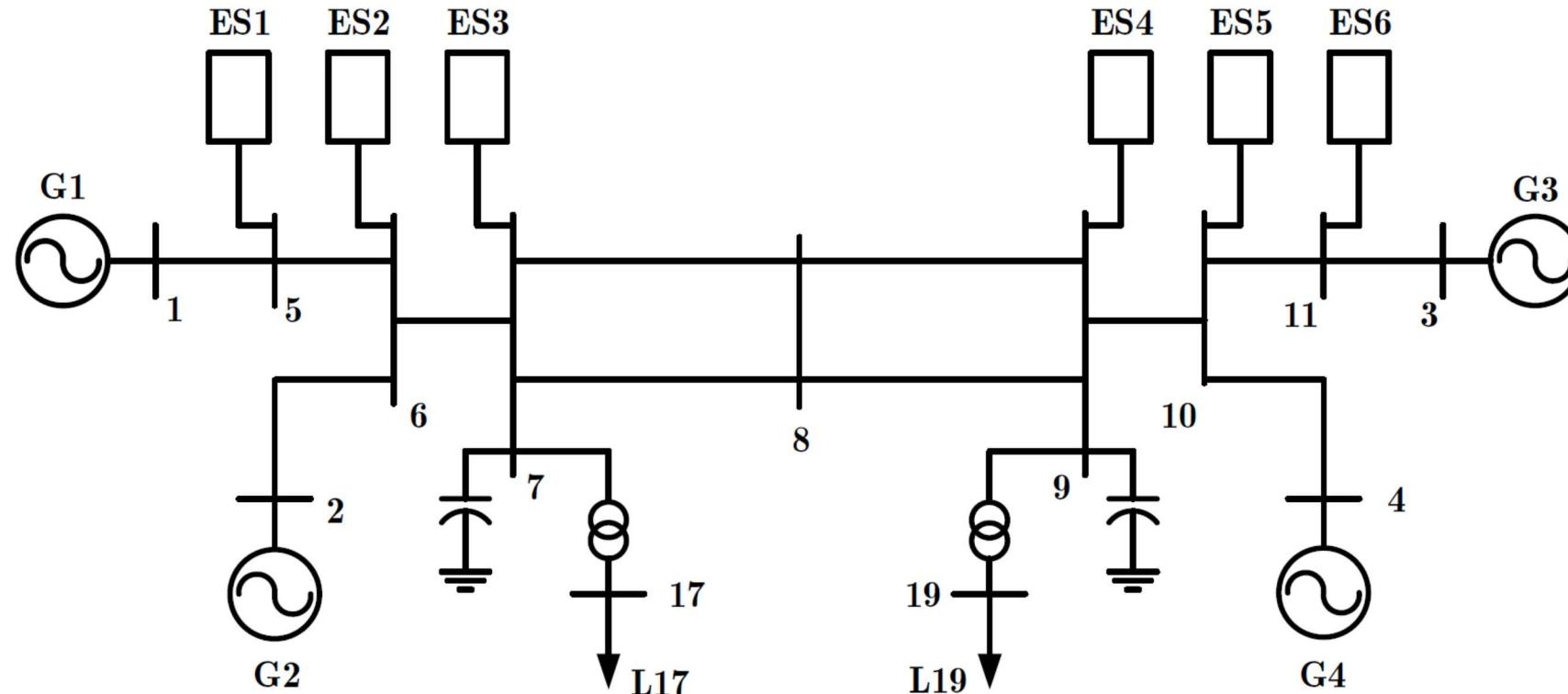
- The implemented algorithm follows the form of a classic Anderson-Moore Algorithm



# Controller Design



- Test system: two-area, four-machine power system with six energy storage devices



$$\begin{aligned}
 x &\in \mathbb{R}^{28} \\
 y &\in \mathbb{R}^4 \text{ (machine speeds)} \\
 u &\in \mathbb{R}^6 \text{ (actuators)}
 \end{aligned}$$

- The power system has a dominant inter-area oscillation that is poorly damped
- The mode is at  $-0.221 \pm j3.435$  (with a damping of 2.8% and a freq. around 0.55Hz)

# Filter Design



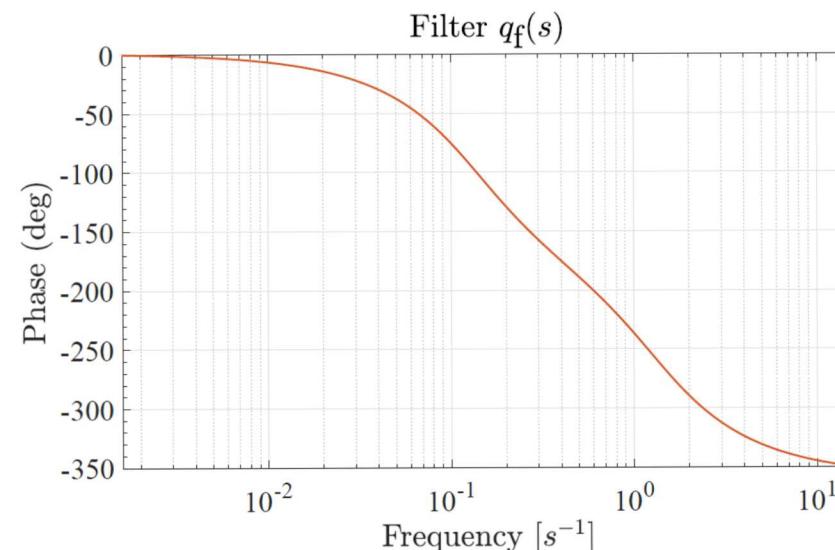
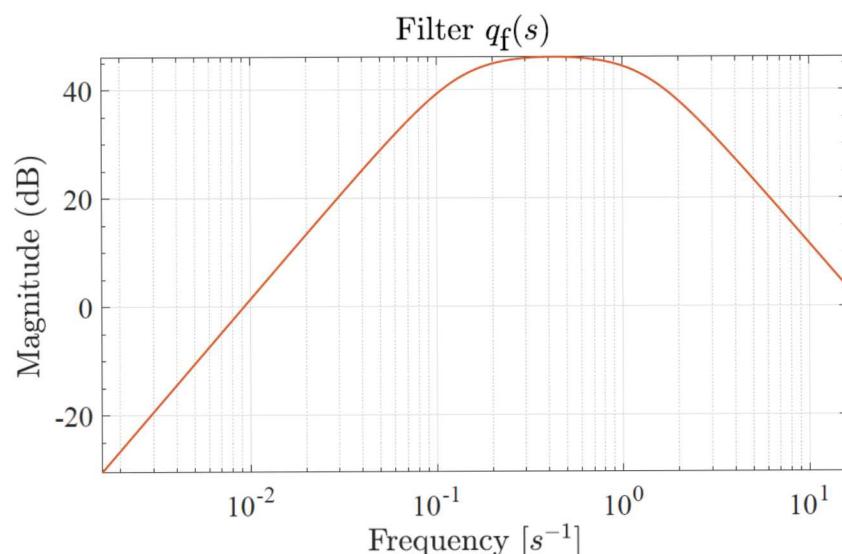
- Inter-area oscillations are in a frequency range of 0.1 and 1 Hz
- The filter to weight the states is defined as

$$Q_f(s) = q_f(s) I_p C$$

where  $q_f(s)$  is a fourth order Bessel filter of the form

$$q_f(s) = \frac{\gamma_Q a s^2}{s^4 + b_3 s^3 + b_2 s^2 + b_1 s + b_0} \quad \text{with}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} a = 75.18 & b_2 = 89.39 \\ b_0 = 50.5 & b_3 = 15.02 \\ b_1 = 106.7 & \gamma_Q \end{array}$$



# Filter Design

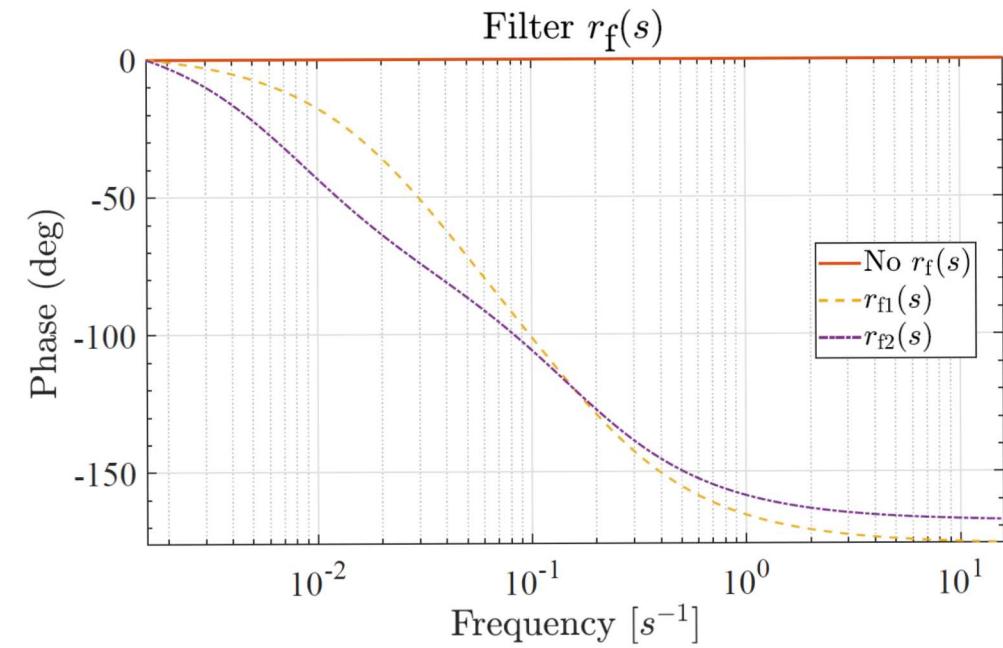
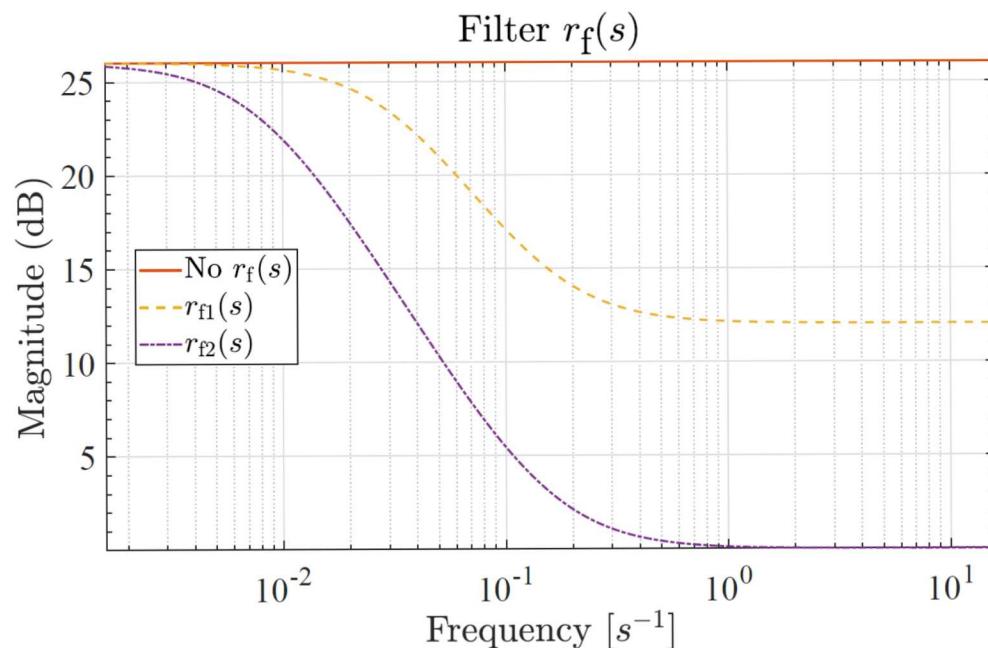


- The filter to weight the input signals  $r_f(s) = \frac{\gamma_R(s - z_r)}{T_r s + 1}$

where  $\gamma_R$  is a constant that determines the weight given to this filter

- This work explores three different forms of  $r_f(s)$

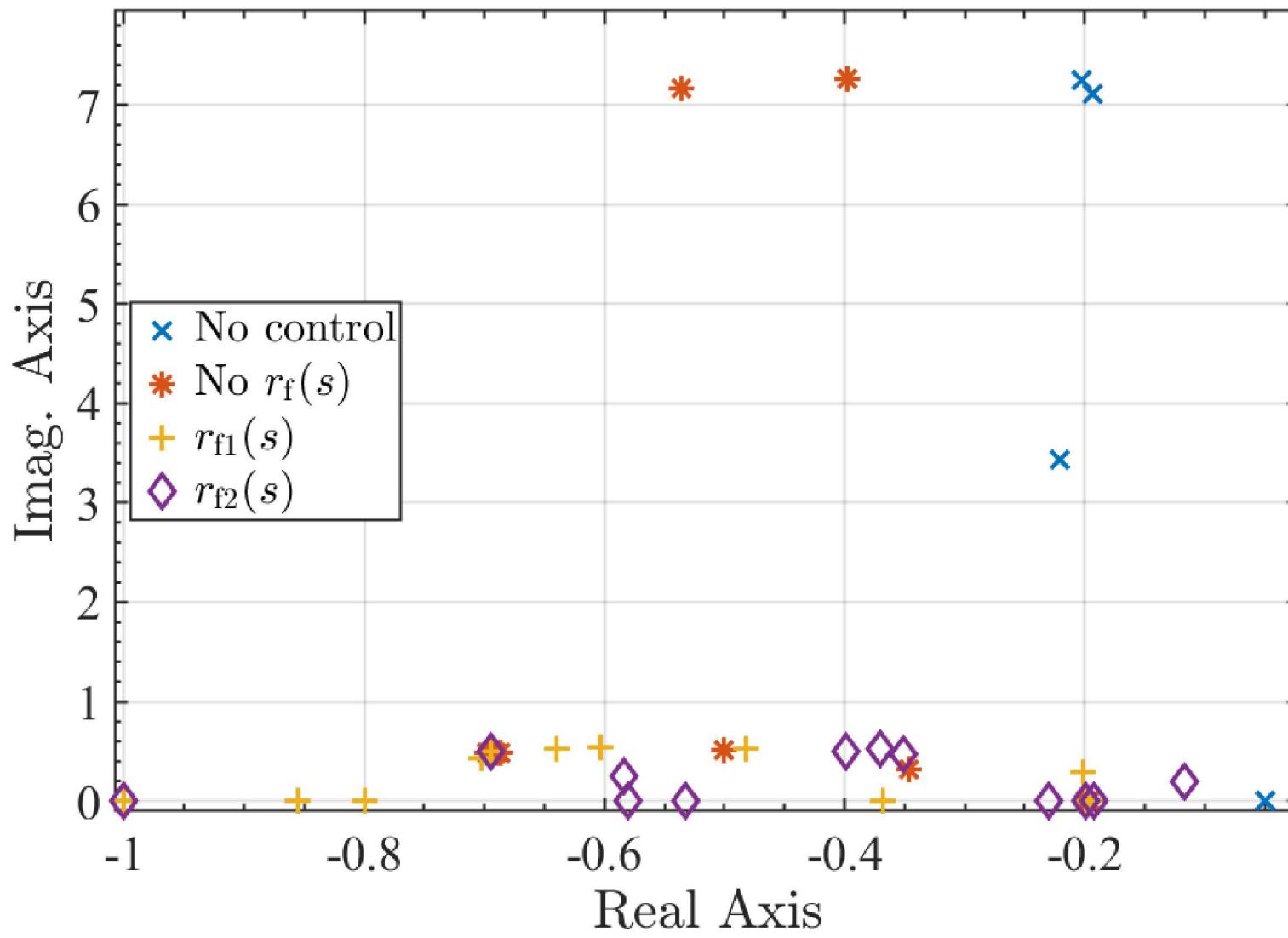
- a. No filter case  $\rightarrow r_f(s) = \gamma_R$
- b. case with  $\rightarrow z_r = 1 \quad T_r = 5$  named  $r_{f1}$
- c. case with  $\rightarrow z_r = 1 \quad T_r = 20$  named  $r_{f2}$



# Linear System



- The eigenvalues of the system for all cases studied

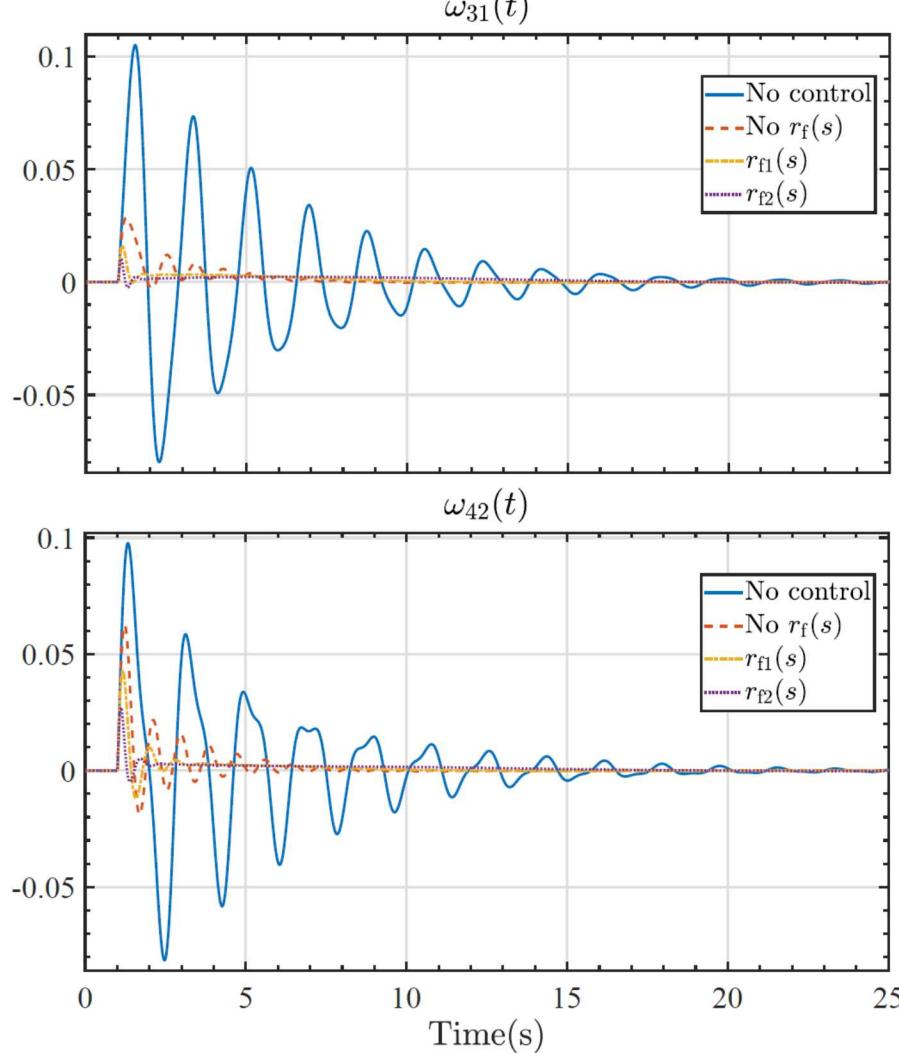


# Results in Time Domain

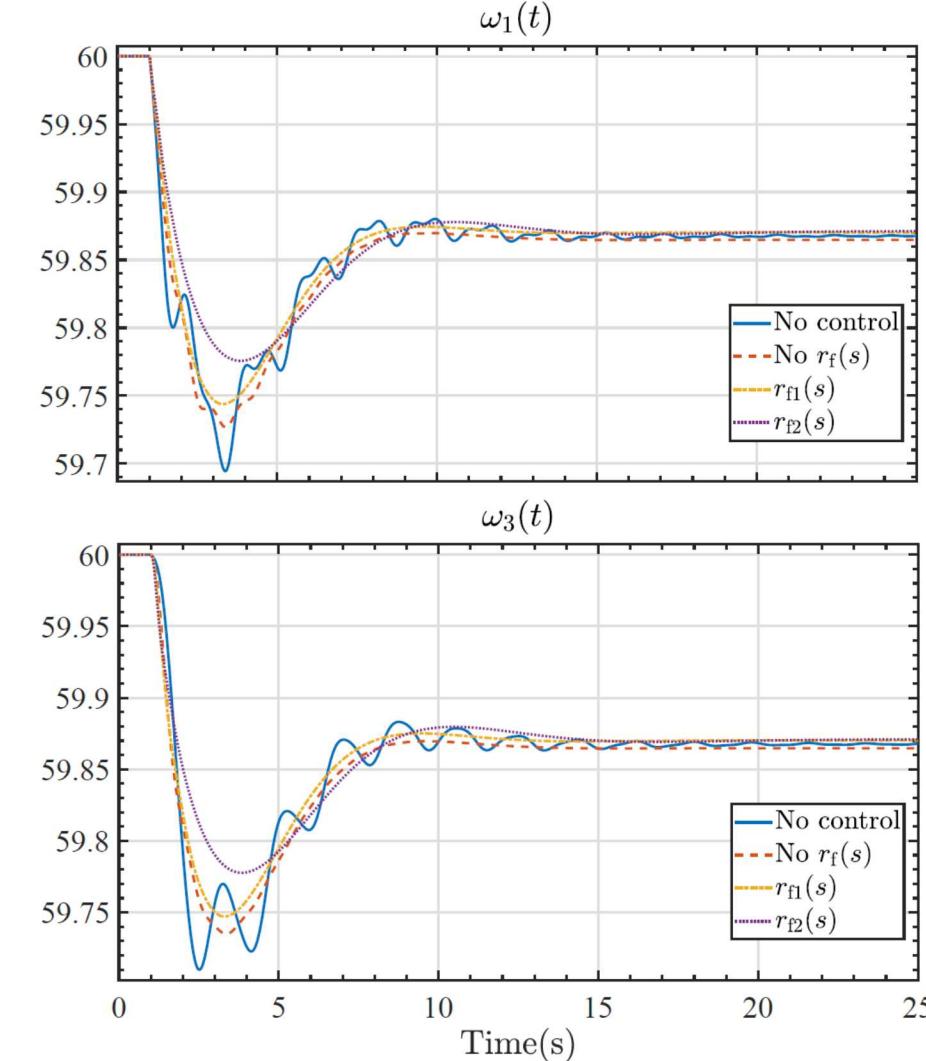


- Time domain simulations were carried out to show how the proposed controllers damp the inter-area oscillations of the 4-machine test system

Frequency differences



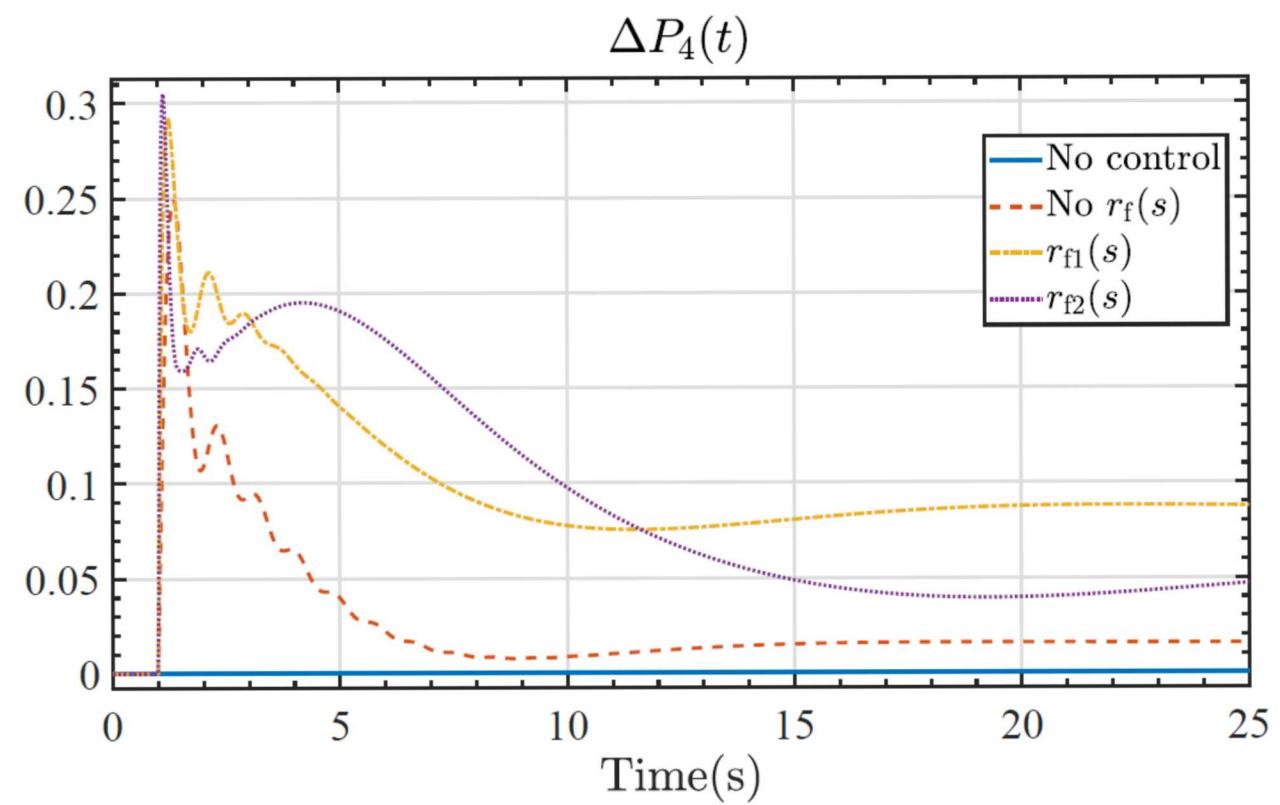
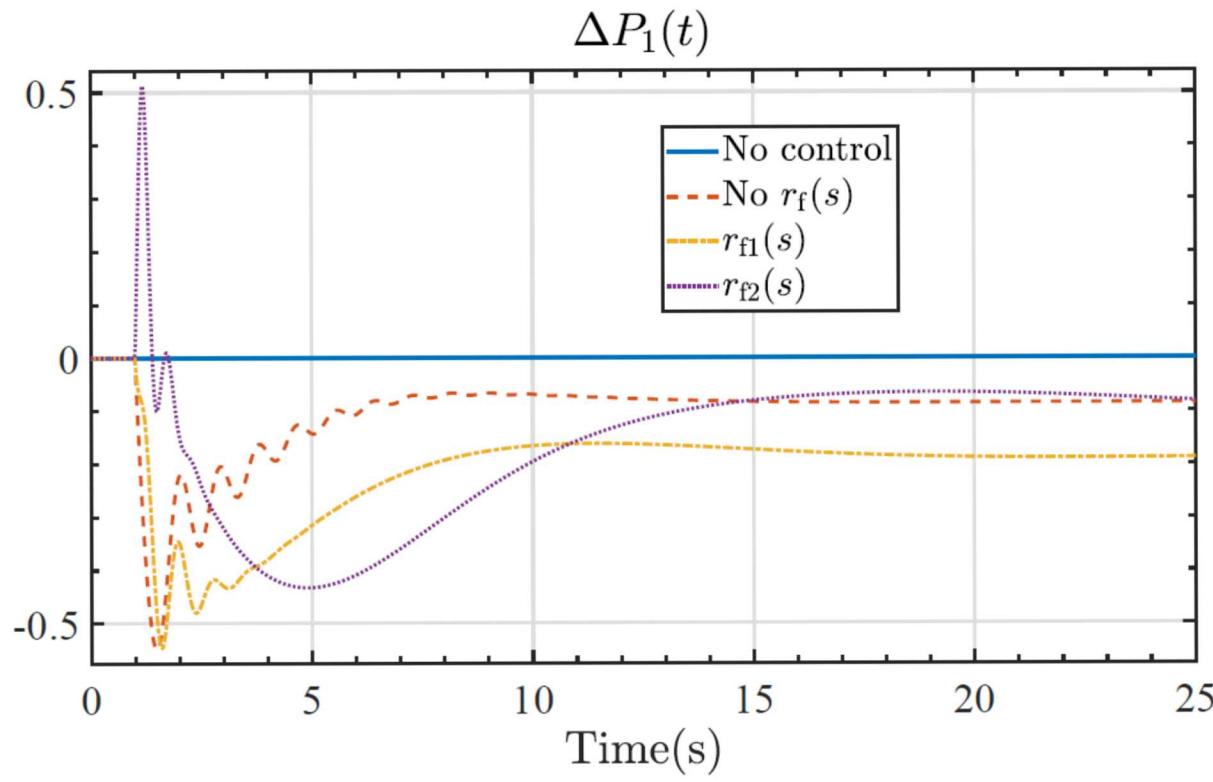
Absolute frequencies



# Results in Time Domain



- Power injection of the actuators to achieve a control action



# Conclusions



- The paper presents a frequency-shaped approach to compute an optimal controller to damp power systems inter-area oscillations
  - The method was selected because with it filters can be selected to emphasize the frequency interval of inter-area oscillations. The paper shows how to select those filters.
  - The approach was based on optimal output feedback because only machine speeds are considered as the available information.
- The paper also analyzes how the filter can be adjusted to not only damp the system inter-area oscillations but also to modify the primary frequency regulation of the system
- The work presented the effectiveness of the proposed approach on a small test power system
- A future avenue of research of this work is to include uncertainty (noise, parameter uncertainty) into the control approach.

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