Anti-Windup Algorithms for Pilot-Induced-Oscillation Alleviation
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The paper deals with the development of anti-windup schemes and related numerical oriented tools. The objective is then to design anti-windup compensators to guarantee stability and performance for some particular classes of nonlinear actuators presenting both magnitude and rate saturations. The lateral flying case for a civil aircraft undergoing aggressive maneuvering by the pilot is addressed. A complete methodology including theoretical conditions and associated toolbox is then proposed and compared to solutions based on anti-PIO filters.

Introduction

The paper is aimed at developing anti-windup schemes and related numerical tools, in order to alleviate the Pilot-Induced-Oscillations in the lateral flying case for a civil aircraft undergoing aggressive maneuvering by the pilot. Indeed, anti-windup strategies represent an appropriate framework to mitigate the undesired saturation effects [24], [31]. Thus, the general principle of the anti-windup scheme can be depicted in Figure 1, where the (unconstrained) signal produced by the controller is compared to what is actually fed into the plant (the constrained signal). This difference is then used to adjust the control strategy by preserving stability and performance.

Actually, this problem is particularly crucial for the space and aeronautical fields, where the Pilot-Induced-Oscillation (PIO) phenomenon is observed; that is, the existence of a particular external excitation (signal $w$ in the notation of Figure 1) renders the closed-loop system unstable without anti-windup compensator [1], [15]. Thus, ad-hoc [22], [16] or advanced anti-windup strategies [8], [9], [18] for PIO suppression have been proposed in the literature and applied in practice.

For a given plant in closed loop with a pre-designed controller (designed without taking into account the saturation constraint) and a saturating input, the design of the anti-windup compensator is usually split into two steps, as explained in [26]. First, an analysis study is performed to estimate the effect of the isolated nonlinearity on the performance of the closed-loop system. Then, the second step is the design of an anti-windup compensator to improve the performance. By "performance", various notions could be considered, such as the $\mathcal{L}_2$ gain between a perturbation $w$ and the regulated output $z$, as depicted in Figure 1. Of course, this performance estimation is associated with an estimation of the region where the initial conditions need to be restricted, in order to guarantee the asymptotic or exponential stability of the origin.

Numerous methods exist for the design of anti-windup compensators for control systems in the presence of magnitude or rate saturation constraints. See, for example, [11], [30], [10], [28], [24], [31] to cite just a few books, surveys or special issues on this subject. Of course, the aim of this paper is not to give an exhaustive perspective about anti-windup compensator design, but rather to present some hints and algorithms on how to solve numerically the anti-windup compensator design problem for an application purpose. Actually, due to the classical tradeoff between performance and estimation of the suitable region of initial conditions, the design of anti-windup
compensators is cast into a static optimization problem, written in terms of Linear Matrix Inequalities (LMIs). Such an optimization problem can be solved numerically in an efficient way using classical software in a Matlab environment. To illustrate the approach and algorithms, the anti-windup compensator design methods are applied to a lateral aircraft model, in order to provide a systematic way to mitigate the PIO phenomenon. Although actuator loss is not exactly the subject of the paper, we illustrate the case where only one actuator is available, allowing us to consider a harsh limit on the actuator bounds to better exhibit the effect of saturation and anti-windup actions.

This paper is organized as follows. First, the model and the problem under consideration are stated in Section “Model description and problem formulation”. The main results are presented in Section “Main anti-windup design conditions”, where numerically tractable conditions are given to solve the anti-windup compensator design problem and some efficient algorithms are given. The numerical tools used to actually solve the problem are focused on in Section “Dedicated software tools for solving saturated and anti-windup problems”. These tools are then illustrated through an application to a realistic model for a civil transport aircraft in Section “PIO alleviation using an anti-windup loop”. Some concluding remarks and perspectives end the paper.

Model description and problem formulation

The full model, including the plant, actuator, controller and anti-windup loop, is precisely defined below.

**Plant model**

We assume that the output of the controller is not affected in the same way by the nonlinear elements. The vector $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ building the $m$ inputs of the plant is broken down into two subvectors: the first one, denoted by $u_s \in \mathbb{R}^{m_s}$, corresponds to $m_s$ saturated inputs, whereas the second one, denoted by $u_{ns} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_{ns}}$, corresponds to the linear inputs (unsaturated inputs). The plant model can be defined by:

$$
\text{sysP} : \begin{cases}
\dot{x}_p &= A_p x_p + B_p u_s + B_{ps} u_{ns} + B_{pw} w \\
y_p &= C_p x_p + D_{ps} u_s + D_{ps} u_{ns} + D_{pw} w \\
z &= C_s x_p + D_{s} u_s + D_{ns} u_{ns} + D_{sw} w
\end{cases}
$$

where $x_p \in \mathbb{R}^{n_p}$ and $w \in \mathbb{R}^1$ are the state and the measured output of the plant. $w \in \mathbb{R}^1$ generally represents an exogenous perturbation, but may also be used to represent a reference signal (or both). Furthermore, $z \in \mathbb{R}^1$ represents the regulated output, which is used to evaluate the performance of the system with respect to the perturbation $w$ via some appropriate optimization criteria.

**Controller model**

Unlike the classical anti-windup loops, in which the output of the anti-windup controller is injected into the dynamics of the controller and/or the output of the controller, we consider here that the output of the anti-windup controller modifies only partially the dynamics of the controller and/or the output of the controller. Thus, the dynamical controller is described as follows:

$$
\text{sysC} : \begin{cases}
\dot{x}_c &= A_c x_c + B_c u_c + B_{cw} w \\
y_{cs} &= C_c x_c + D_{cs} u_c + D_{cw} w \\
y_{ces} &= C_{ces} x_c + D_{ces} u_c + D_{ces} w
\end{cases}
$$

where $x_c \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$ and $u_c \in \mathbb{R}^r$ are the state and the input of the controller. The output of the controller is broken down into two signals: $y_{ces} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, which will be interconnected $u_c$ through a saturated actuator, and $y_{ces} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_{ncs}}$, which will be interconnected with the linear (unsaturated) input $u_{ns}$. Moreover, $v_c$ and $v_s$ are the additional inputs that will be connected to the anti-windup controller. $B_{cw}$ and $D_{cw}$ are matrices of dimensions $n_c \times n_s$ and $m \times m_s$, and make it possible to specify what the $m_s$ states and $m_s$ outputs modified by the anti-windup action are.

**Actuator model**

The actuator block between the output of the controller $y_c$ and the input of the plant $u$ is divided into two blocks: the first one corresponding to the nonlinear (saturated) part and the second one corresponding to the linear (unsaturated) part. The nonlinear actuator part involves $n_{cr}$ nested saturations, including the case of rate and magnitude saturations, as depicted in Figure 2(a). Such nonlinearities are tackled via the use of dead-zone, denoted by $\phi_i(\cdot)$, $i = 1, \ldots, n_{cr}$.

$$
\begin{align*}
(a) & \quad y_{cs} \quad \bigtriangleup \bigtriangledown \pm u_c \\
(b) & \quad y_{ces} \quad + T_0 y_{ces} \quad \bigtriangleup \bigtriangledown \pm u_c
\end{align*}
$$

**Anti-windup compensator**

In the DLAW (Direct Linear Anti-Windup) strategy, the anti-windup controller uses as input the difference between the signals issued either from the input and the output of the whole actuator or from the input and the output of the nonlinear elements included in the actuator. Then, the anti-windup loop under consideration in the paper considers that the inputs of the anti-windup controller are the dead-zones associated with each saturation. Hence, the anti-windup controller of order $n_{aw}$ is written as:

$$
\begin{align*}
\text{sysACT} : \quad \begin{cases}
\dot{x}_a &= v + \phi(\nu) \\
y_c &= T_y y_{ces} + T_0 \phi(\nu) - T_y x_a \\
u &= x_a
\end{cases}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\phi_i(\cdot)$, $i = 1, \ldots, n_{cr}$, and $\nu$ are the levels of saturation in magnitude and rate, respectively. The elements of the diagonal matrix $T_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m_c}$ classically take on large enough values, in order to avoid affecting the linear dynamics of the closed-loop system.

**Interconnections**

The interconnections considered can be described as follows:

- linear link between the output of the plant and the input of the controller: $u_c = y_{p,s}$.
• the first part of the output of the controller \((y_c)\) is linked to the corresponding inputs of the plant \(u_i\) through the actuator model (3);
• the second part of the output of the controller is directly connected to the corresponding inputs of the plant: \(u_{aw} = y_{aw}\).
• \(y_c\) and \(v\) are built from the anti-windup compensator.

Remark 2.1
An important fact is that the anti-windup model (4) imposes the assumption that the input and output signals of each saturation block in Figure 2 are available. To overcome this assumption, alternative strategies can be investigated. For example, the anti-windup may use the difference between the nonlinear actuator and a linear fictitious one (with the same dynamics but without saturation blocks) to explicitly take into account the dynamics of the actuator (present in the rate limiter) [20]. Another option would be to build an observer to evaluate the internal state of the actuator [27].

Standard formulation
In [24], a standard formulation of the anti-windup design has been proposed for various kinds of actuators. In the current case, by considering an augmented state of dimensions \(n = n_c + m + n_a + n_{aw}\), including the state of the plant, the state of the actuator, the state of the controller and the state of the anti-windup controller, the following standard model of the complete closed-loop system can be defined by:

\[
\begin{align*}
\dot{x} &= A x + B_2 \phi(y_c) + B_3 \phi(v) + B_1 w \\
\dot{y}_c &= C_2 x + D_{20} \phi(y_c) + D_{21} \phi(v) + D_{2w} w \\
y &= C_1 x + D_{10} \phi(y_c) + D_{11} \phi(v) + D_{1w} w \\
z &= C_2 x + D_{20} \phi(y_c) + D_{21} \phi(v) + D_{2w} w
\end{align*}
\]

(5)

where the matrices of the anti-windup controller are encapsulated into the matrices of system (5). Details of these matrices are given in Section "Algorithms for \(AW_g\) design".

The design procedure of the anti-windup controller consists in optimizing some quantities, such as the size of the region of stability of the closed-loop system or the guaranteed level of performance. In particular, the idea when adding the anti-windup loop is to maximize the basin of attraction of the origin for the closed-loop system and/or to minimize the \(L_2\) gain between \(w\) and \(z\) or to maximize the set of perturbation \(w_z\), which can be rejected. Then, the perturbation signal is assumed to be bounded in energy, as follows:

\[
\|w_z\|_2^2 = \int_0^\infty w(t) w(t) dt \leq \delta^{-1}; 0 \leq \delta^{-1} < \infty
\]

(6)

The problem that we intend to address is summarized below.

Problem 2.2
Determine an anti-windup controller \(AW_g\) and a region \(\mathcal{E}\), as large as possible, such that

• Internal stability. When \(w = 0\), the closed-loop system (5) is asymptotically stable for any initial conditions belonging to \(\mathcal{E}\) (which is a region of asymptotic stability (RAS));
• Performance. When \(w \neq 0\), satisfying (6), and for \(x(0) = 0\), the \(L_2\) gain between \(w\) and \(z\) is finite and equal to \(\gamma > 0\). Furthermore, the trajectories of the closed-loop system (5) remain bounded in the set \(\mathcal{E}\).

The convex optimization problems associated with Problem 2.2 are specified in Section "Algorithms for \(AW_g\) design".

Main anti-windup design conditions

Solution to standard anti-windup design

The following proposition provides conditions of local stability and \(L_2\) performance for the closed-loop system (5). The result considers existence conditions to solve Problem 2.2.

Proposition 3.1
If there exist a symmetric positive definite matrix \(Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times n_2}\), two matrices \(Z_1, Z_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_n \times n_n}\), two positive diagonal matrices \(S_1, S_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_n \times n_n}\) and a positive scalar \(\gamma\) such that the following conditions are met:

\[
Q A^T + A Q - Q S_1^2 - Z_1^T S_1 Q Z_1 - Z_2^T S_2 Q Z_2 \leq 0
\]

(7)

\[
\begin{align*}
Q X(0) + & \dot{X}(0) \leq 0, i = 1, ..., m \\
Q Z(0) + & \dot{Z}(0) \leq 0, i = 1, ..., m
\end{align*}
\]

(8)

(9)

then,

1. when \(w = 0\), the set \(E(\lambda) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n; \lambda^T x \leq 1\}\) is RAS for the closed-loop system (5);
2. when \(x(0) = 0\), satisfying (6), and for \(w(0) = 0\),
   - the trajectories of the closed-loop system remain bounded in the set \(E(\lambda)\);
   - the \(L_2\) gain is finite and one obtains:

\[
\int_0^T z(t)^T z(t) dt \leq \gamma \int_0^T w(t)^T w(t) dt, \forall T \geq 0
\]

(10)

The detailed way to derive the conditions and to prove them can be found, for example, in [24], [31].

Remark 3.2
The interest of the anti-windup structure resides in the simplicity of the design conditions. Indeed, the design of a static anti-windup gain (only matrices \(D_{2w}\) and \(D_{2w}\) are used) is the result of a fully linear problem. In the case of the design of a dynamical anti-windup controller, for a priori given matrices \(A_{aw}\) and \(C_{aw}\), the determination of the input and transmission matrices is also obtained by solving a linear problem. In the case where \(n_{aw} = n_n + n_a + n_n\), the resolution of a linear problem can also be considered through an iterative procedure [24].

For analysis purposes (the anti-windup controller being given), the conditions of Proposition 3.1 are linear and can be directly used to solve adequate optimization problems. Moreover, in the design context, the conditions of Proposition 3.1 are non-convex, matrices \(A_{aw}, B_{aw}, C_{aw}\) and \(D_{aw}\), hidden in matrices \(A, B, C, D_{aw}\), i, j = 0, 1. Conditions with linear decision variables can be obtained, more or less directly, by slightly modifying the original conditions, or even by considering iterative procedures (including D-K iteration process).
allowing a Lyapunov matrix and anti-windup matrices to be sought. These situations are detailed in the next subsection.

Remark 3.3
In the sequel, one considers a set $\mathcal{X}_p$, defined by some directions in the plant state space $v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $i = 1, \ldots, q$, to provide a desired shape of the region $\mathcal{E}(Q^{-1}, \delta)$ to be maximized when solving Problem 2.2. Then, considering $v_i = \left[v_i^0 \ 0\right] \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $i = 1, \ldots, q$ and $\beta$ a scaling factor such that $\beta v_i \in \mathcal{E}(Q^{-1}, \delta)$, $i = 1, \ldots, q$ (which corresponds to imposing $\beta \mathcal{X}_p \subset \mathcal{E}(Q^{-1}, \delta)$), an additional condition to those of Proposition 3.1 must be considered in the algorithms, as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \delta \frac{1}{\beta} \\ \delta v_i^T \end{bmatrix} > 0, \ i = 1, \ldots, q$$  \hspace{1cm} (11)

This means that $\beta$ is used to maximize the region of attraction of the system and $\mathcal{X}_p$ allows the directions of interest for this region of attraction to be oriented.

Algorithms for $AW_i$ design

From (1), (2), (3) and (4), the matrices of system (5) are defined by:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & B C_{aw}^0 \\ 0 & A_{aw} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_i = \begin{bmatrix} B_i^0 + B D_p^0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_i = \begin{bmatrix} B_i^0 + B D_p^1 \\ B_{aw} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_i = \begin{bmatrix} C_0 \\ C_i C_{aw} \end{bmatrix}, \quad C_i = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ C_i C_{aw} \end{bmatrix}, \quad C_i = \begin{bmatrix} C_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D_{0i} = C_{aw} D_{aw}^0, \quad D_{0i} = C_{aw} D_{aw}^1, \quad D_{0i} = D_{aw} + C_{aw} D_{aw}^0, \quad D_{1i} = C_{aw} D_{aw}^1$$

$$B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} B_2^0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_{20} = 0, \quad D_{21} = 0$$

with

$$\mathcal{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A_p + B_{pw} D_p \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^c C_p \\ B_{pw} + B_{pw} D_{pw} \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w \\ B_{pw} + B_{pw} D_{pw} \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w C_p \\ B_{pw} + B_{pw} D_{pw} \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w \\ B_{pw} + B_{pw} D_{pw} \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w C_p \\ B_{pw} + B_{pw} D_{pw} \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w \\ B_{pw} + B_{pw} D_{pw} \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w C_p \\ B_{pw} + B_{pw} D_{pw} \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_i = D_0$$

$$C_0 = \begin{bmatrix} D_{pw}^c (I_p + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w) C_p \\ D_{pw}^w (I_p + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w) D_{pw}^w C_p \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} C_{cw}$$

$$C_i = \begin{bmatrix} T_0 D^c (I_p + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w) C_p \\ T_0 D^w (I_p + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w) D_{pw}^w C_p \end{bmatrix}, \quad T_0 \left( C_c + D_c D_p \Delta^{-1} C_c \right)$$

$$C_2 = \begin{bmatrix} C_2 + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w C_p \\ D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} C_{cw} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D_{0w} = D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} (D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w)$$

$$D_{1w} = T_0 \left( D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} (D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w) \right)$$

$$D_{2w} = D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w \Delta^{-1} (D_{pw}^w D_{pw}^w + D_{pw}^w)$$

Furthermore, matrices defining the interconnection between the anti-windup loop and the system are:

$$B_e = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ T_0 D_{ca} \left[ 0 \ 1_w \right] \end{bmatrix}, \quad C_{e0} = D_{ca} \left[ 0 \ 1_w \right], \quad C_{e1} = T_0 D_{ca} \left[ 0 \ 1_w \right]$$
The analysis problem (Algorithm 3.4) is linear and the synthesis problem of the anti-windup is nonlinear, including products between decision variables and, in particular, between the Lyapunov matrix $Q$ and the anti-windup elements. A D-K iteration procedure may then be considered for the synthesis problem (Algorithm 3.6). However, the synthesis optimization problem may be partially linearized and, for given matrices $A_{aw}$ and $C_{aw}$, the design of matrices $B_{aw}^i$ and $D_{aw}^i$, $i = 0, 1$ can be handled via a linear optimization problem (Algorithm 3.5).

Algorithm 3.4
Analysis of a given AW controller
1. Select matrices $A_{aw}$ and $C_{aw}$. A static anti-windup AW may also be used by considering $n_{aw} = 0$.
2. Choose directions to be optimized $v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $i = 1, \ldots, q$ and a known perturbation bound $\Delta$.
3. Solve
$$\min_{Q, S_i, \bar{S}_i, x_i, \gamma_i, \mu_i} \gamma_i \mu_i$$
subject to $LMI$ (7), (8), (9) and (11)
where $\gamma$ is the $L_2$ gain between $w$ and $z$ and $\mu = 1/\beta^2$.

Algorithm 3.5
Design of an AW controller with fixed dynamics
1. Select matrices $A_{aw}$ and $C_{aw}$. A static anti-windup AW may also be used by considering $n_{aw} = 0$.
2. Choose directions to be optimized $v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $i = 1, \ldots, q$ and a known perturbation bound $\Delta$.
3. Solve
$$\min_{Q, S_i, \bar{S}_i, x_i, \gamma_i, \mu_i} \gamma_i \mu_i$$
subject to $LMI$ (7), (8), (9) and (11)
where $\gamma$ is the $L_2$ gain between $w$ and $z$ and $\mu = 1/\beta^2$.
4. Compute $B_{aw}^i = \bar{B}_{aw}^i S_{aw}^{-1}$, $B_{aw}^i = \bar{B}_{aw}^i S_{aw}^{-1}$, $D_{aw}^i = \bar{D}_{aw}^i S_{aw}^{-1}$ and $D_{aw}^i = \bar{D}_{aw}^i S_{aw}^{-1}$.

Algorithm 3.6
Design of an AW controller – full design
1. Select matrices $A_{aw}$, $C_{aw}$ of appropriate dimensions, in order to build the desired anti-windup loop.
2. Choose the directions to be optimized $v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $i = 1, \ldots, q$ and a known perturbation bound $\Delta$.
3. Pre-synthesis step – Solve
$$\min_{Q, S_i, \bar{S}_i, x_i, \gamma_i, \mu_i} \gamma_i \mu_i$$
subject to $LMI$ (7), (8), (9) and (11)
where $\gamma$ is the $L_2$ gain between $w$ and $z$ and $\mu = 1/\beta^2$.
4. Compute $B_{aw}^i = \bar{B}_{aw}^i S_{aw}^{-1}$, $B_{aw}^i = \bar{B}_{aw}^i S_{aw}^{-1}$, $D_{aw}^i = \bar{D}_{aw}^i S_{aw}^{-1}$ and $D_{aw}^i = \bar{D}_{aw}^i S_{aw}^{-1}$.
5. If the solution obtained is satisfactory (some accuracy has to be fixed), or no longer improved compared to the previous steps, then STOP. Otherwise, go to the next iteration (the idea is to finish by a pre-synthesis step).
6. Synthesis step – Pick the solution $Q$ obtained at Step 3 and solve
$$\min_{Q, S_i, \bar{S}_i, x_i, \gamma_i, \mu_i} \gamma_i \mu_i$$
subject to $LMI$ (7), (8), (9) and (11)
7. Go to Step 3.

Remark 3.7
The optimization cost function $f_{out}$ is typically related to the performance of the disturbance rejection ($\min \gamma$) and/or to the size of the domain of safe behavior in which the trajectories of the system may be initiated. In this paper, we consider inequalities (11) and $\min \mu$, with $\mu = 1/\beta^2$ but any other criterion of the matrix $B_{aw}^i$ could be used.

Remark 3.8
In Algorithm 3.5 and in Step 3 of Algorithm 3.6, condition (7) is not directly applied. The products between $B_{aw}^i$ and $D_{aw}^i$ with the matrices $S_i$ are replaced by the change of variables $\bar{B}_{aw}^i$ and $\bar{D}_{aw}^i$, $i = 0, 1$, which allows the problem to be linearized.

Remark 3.9
An interesting case is the static anti-windup one, for which matrices $A_{aw}$ and $C_{aw}$ are null matrices of appropriate dimensions. It implies that $B_{aw}^i$, $i = 0, 1$, are also null matrices of appropriate dimensions and only matrices $D_{aw}^i$, $i = 0, 1$, are computed in Algorithm 3.5.

Remark 3.10
Matrices $A_{aw}$ and $C_{aw}$ to be used in Algorithm 3.5 may be selected as the solution to a full-order ($n_{aw} = n + r + m + j$) anti-windup compensator design where the actuator is just a saturation in magnitude (see, for example, the conditions provided in [24]), i.e., via a linear optimization problem. Eventually, an order-reduction step may also be considered in order to select matrices $A_{aw}$ and $C_{aw}$ (see Example 8.5 in [24]). Other procedures developed in [31], such as the Model Recovery Anti-Windup (MRAW), could be used.

Dedicated software tools for solving saturated and anti-windup problems

For numerical evaluations, Semi-Definite Programming (SDP) solvers are easily available in a Matlab environment, either considering the MathWorks® package LMI Lab included in the Robust Control Toolbox™ or any freely available solvers. Similarly, in addition to the original parser of the LMI Lab package, one may prefer YALMIP format [17] to specify LMIs systems, convex optimization costs and associated solvers.

SATAW toolbox [19] has been developed to perform analysis and control design operations for linear systems interconnected with saturation elements. The toolbox manipulates a flexible description of the continuous-time system, controller and actuator using simple structure elements, as they are described in Section "Main anti-windup design conditions". For the saturation modeling, sector conditions are used. In this representation, the saturation term is replaced by a dead-zone nonlinearity. Hence, sector conditions, locally or globally valid, can be used to provide stability and stabilization conditions. The package then includes several functions for:

- state feedback or output feedback design, in the presence of position saturation and/or rate saturation;
- state feedback or output feedback design, in the presence of position saturation;
- static and dynamic anti-windup analysis, in the presence of position saturation;
- static anti-windup design, in the presence of position saturation.
Actually, the current published version of the toolbox does not allow
the dynamic anti-windup design problem to be formally solved in the
presence of position and rate saturation, but gives many elements to
extend the functions to the case addressed in this paper.

Alternatively, the AWAST Tools [5], which were recently updated and
integrated as a library (SAW Library) of the SMAC Toolbox [4], enable
rather general anti-windup problems to be formalized and solved, fol-
lowing the practical framework proposed in [6].

PIO alleviation using an anti-windup loop

The design and analysis algorithms of Section “Main anti-windup design
conditions” are now applied and compared in the realistic context of lat-
eral maneuvers of a civil transport aircraft. Specific attention is devoted
to aggressive pilot demands in conjunction with actuator loss.

To do this, the pilot’s activity is modeled as a static gain $K_{pil}$. For this
application, a normal activity would correspond to $K_{pil} = 1$. Actu-
ally, in stressful situations, notably in case of actuator loss, a more
aggressive pilot behavior is generally observed, resulting in much
higher gains. Here, the gain is set to $K_{pil} = 2$.

Problem setup and objectives

A nonlinear closed-loop Simulink implementation of the anti-windup
structure is depicted in Figure 3. The “aircraft” block is a linearized
version (for fixed airspeed and altitude under cruise flight conditions)
of the lateral dynamics of the system, including structural filters and
delays, resulting in a state-space model of dimension 63. The control-

The aircraft system involves 2 control inputs ($m = 2$): ailerons
and rudder deflections. Note that only the aileron deflection actua-
tor is assumed to saturate ($m_s = 1$) for the considered maneu-
vers. Moreover, 5 outputs ($p = 5$) are available for feedback
($y_s = [\beta, p, r, \phi, \dot{\phi}]^T$). The performance is evaluated via the tracking
accuracy on the fourth bank-angle output $\phi$ (then, $l = 1$). The distur-
bance input of System (1) is used to express the perturbing effect of
the saturation of the system input, that is, $B_{pu} = B_{pu}^s (q = 1)$.

In the $AW$ strategy, two signals (one for the magnitude limitation and
one for the rate limitation) are used by the anti-windup device. Their
generation is detailed in the Simulink implementation of Figure 4.

The anti-windup controller acts on the internal dynamics of the
nominal lateral controller of the aircraft through two scalar signals
$\nu_s$ and $\nu_h$ which respectively affect roll and sideslip angle dynamics
($\nu_s = [\nu_r, \nu_h]$ and $\nu_s = 0, n_p = 2, n_r = 0$). This means that matrix
$B_{ca}$ appearing in Equation (2) is of dimension $n_r \times 2$.

The chosen strategy offers some flexibility, with the possibility of a
direct anti-windup action at the controller output. However, no sig-
nificant improvement has been observed with this additional feature,
which has thus not been further considered in this application. This
means that $D_{ca}$ appearing in Equation (2) is equal to 0.
The main objective of this application is to design and evaluate anti-windup compensators to improve the aircraft response to roll angle solicitations while limiting oscillations despite actuator loss [18]. During such maneuvers, a significant control activity is observed on the ailerons. This is why the effects of saturations are modeled and taken into account for these actuators in the diagram of Figure 3, while no saturation is introduced on the rudders. The effects of saturations become even more penalizing in case of a partial loss of control capability. Assume indeed that the aircraft is controlled by a pair of ailerons on each wing, but that only one is operational. In that case, the activity of the remaining actuators is doubled, as well as the risk of magnitude and rate saturations. Then, the magnitude and rate limits in the following are halved. We consider \( \mu_0 = L_m = 10 \text{ deg} \) (instead of 20 under normal conditions) and \( u_i = L_r = 20 \text{ deg} \) (instead of 40).

In the following, various cases studies are implemented and compared:

- **Unsaturated** – A non-saturated case where saturation elements are removed allows an ideal behavior of the closed-loop system to be exhibited;

- **Saturated** – A saturated case without compensation strategy is used as the nominal behavior of the closed-loop saturated system;

- **Anti-PIO filter** – The standard anti-PIO filter used in the industry is an "open-loop" solution that does not exploit the information relative to the saturation of the signal (see [7]). It may be considered as the basic solution from the industry. This strategy consists in adding a dynamical block with pre-saturation between the pilot gain \( (\mathcal{K}_m) \) and the control block. The full scheme is hidden in the block REFERENCE in Figure 3;

- **Static \( AW_s \)** – A static version of our anti-windup strategy is designed with Algorithm 3.5. This strategy is an alternative to the standard anti-PIO filter, since it is very easy to implement (no additional dynamical system to introduce in the controller block);

- **Dynamic \( AW_d \)** – A dynamic version of our anti-windup is designed with Algorithm 3.5. Various cases initializing the procedures with given matrices \( A_m \) and \( C_m \) are investigated;

- **\( \mathcal{H}_\infty AW \)** – A dynamic anti-windup built using a structured \( \mathcal{H}_\infty \) design method [18] is also implemented to compare dynamic anti-windup strategies. The advantage of such a strategy is that it circumvents some limitations of LMI-based strategies (limitation on the problem size when manipulating LMIs, conservatism of sufficient conditions), but to the detriment of ease of construction for engineers who are not always specialists in advanced control theories. Note that, unlike the approach addressed in this paper, the signal used as input for the anti-windup scheme is the difference between the output and the input of the nonlinear block (denoted by \( e \)).

In what follows, reduced size models are used for stability analysis and to compute the anti-windup controllers. Full size models of the aircraft and controllers are used for all of the simulations.

### Design of a static anti-windup \( AW_s \)

Let us first consider the design of a static \( AW_s \) anti-windup where only matrices \( D^i_m \), \( i = 0,1 \) (see Equation (4)), have to be designed \( (n_m = 0) \). The main advantage is that Condition (7) becomes linear and that the anti-windup block does not involve any additional dynamics. The optimization problem is solved by considering the bound on perturbation \( \delta = 0.1 \) and \( v_i = \begin{bmatrix} C_1(4:;) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \), corresponding to the roll angle, as the direction to be optimized over the set \( E(Q^{1.5}, \delta) \). Algorithm 3.5, followed by Algorithm 3.4, provide the following optimal solution:

\[
\phi_{AW} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma = 1.18110; \beta = 0.7808 \\
\end{bmatrix}
\]

with the static anti-windup gains:

\[
D_0^0 = \begin{bmatrix} -14.7887 \\
8.6544 \\
0 \\
\end{bmatrix}, \quad D_1^0 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0042 \\
0.0392 \\
0 \\
\end{bmatrix}
\]

which shows that the anti-windup hardly uses the rate saturation information. Moreover, it is interesting to perform the same analysis for the saturated closed-loop system without anti-windup. The feasibility is also obtained and the solution is:

\[
\phi_{AW} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma = 1.8560; \beta = 0.7796 \\
\end{bmatrix}
\]

The solution with the static \( AW_s \) anti-windup described through \( \gamma \) and \( \beta \) as performance indicators does not appear to be much better than the one without anti-windup: the anti-windup allows \( \gamma \) to be decreased and \( \beta \) to be increased, but only slightly. This does not reflect, however, the simulations described below, which show that the anti-windup action significantly improves the transient behavior of the roll angle, avoiding a large overshoot and degraded time evolution.
with respect to the saturated case. The meaning of this is that the considered optimization criterion, which does not explicitly include the time response performance, does not exactly fit the analysis or design of the anti-windup loop. Nevertheless, considering criteria on time response performance is a difficult task and the optimization criterion used here gives a reasonable trade-off between stability guarantee, performance and time response.

Figures 5 and 6 illustrate the time evolution of the closed-loop system to a roll solicitation of 40 deg at time \( t = 1 \) s followed by a step of –60 deg at time \( t = 15 \) s and a step of +60 deg at time \( t = 30 \) s. The responses are compared by considering the case with saturation and no compensation (saturated), a standard anti-PIO strategy (anti-PIO filter) and the static \( AW \) anti-windup strategy. It is important to underline that a simple static anti-windup strategy enables better performance than the standard anti-PIO case to be obtained, which adds dynamics to the system.

**Design of a dynamic anti-windup \( AW \)**

To go further, let us now consider the design of a dynamic anti-windup \( AW \). The difficulty in that case is to initialize the iterative procedure described in Algorithm 3.6, or to select matrices \( A_{aw} \) and \( C_{aw} \) used in Algorithm 3.5. As for the static case, the optimization problem is solved by considering the bound on perturbation \( \delta = 0.1 \) and \( v_1 = C_p(4,1)0 \) as the direction to be optimized over the set \( e(Q^+,\delta) \).

Let us first consider a very simple structure to set matrices \( A_{aw} \) and \( C_{aw} \), namely a modal structure for \( A_{aw} \), allowing its dynamics to be set slightly faster than those of the closed-loop linear system:

\[
A_{aw} = \begin{bmatrix} -100 & 50 \\ -50 & -100 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C_{aw} = \begin{bmatrix} -10 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix}
\]

Algorithm 3.5 followed by Algorithm 3.4 provides the following optimal solution:

**Dynamic \( AW \) design 1:** \( \gamma = 1.7863; \beta = 0.8334 \) with the anti-windup terms:

\[
B_{aw}^0 = \begin{bmatrix} 9461.4 \\ -7872.5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_{aw}^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 60.6 \\ -32.9 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_{aw}^0 = \begin{bmatrix} 438.2 \\ 1009 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_{aw}^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
\]

Another option is to use matrices \( A_{aw} \) and \( C_{aw} \), which are the solution to another dynamic anti-windup scheme implemented on the same application. The idea is to circumvent the nonlinear problem of the dynamic anti-windup by pre-selecting matrices \( A_{aw} \) and \( C_{aw} \) obtained from other approaches, when they exist, with the expectation of obtaining better results than with a “random” selection as done above. In the current case, we consider the solution obtained with a structured \( H_\omega \) design method \([18]\), and previously applied on the same numerical evaluation \([7]\). In that case, Algorithm 3.5 gives matrices \( B_{aw}^0 \) and \( D_{aw}^0 \), \( i = 0.1 \), (not provided here for readability reasons) and the following optimal solution:

**Dynamical \( AW \) design 2:** \( \gamma = 1.7395; \beta = 0.9147 \)

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**Figure 5** – Roll solicitation of +40 deg at time \( t = 1 \) s followed by a step of –60 deg at time \( t = 15 \) s and a step of +60 deg at time \( t = 30 \) s: Comparison of the performance output for the un-saturated, saturated (no compensation of the saturation), standard anti-PIO and static anti-windup \( AW \) simulations.

**Figure 6** – Roll solicitation of +40 deg at time \( t = 1 \) s followed by a step of –60 deg at time \( t = 15 \) s and a step of +60 deg at time \( t = 30 \) s: Comparison of the saturating input for the un-saturated, saturated (no compensation of the saturation), standard anti-PIO and static anti-windup \( AW \) simulations.

**Figure 7** – Roll solicitation of +40 deg at time \( t = 1 \) s followed by a step of –60 deg at time \( t = 15 \) s and a step of +60 deg at time \( t = 30 \) s: Comparison of the performance outputs for the un-saturated, saturated (no compensation of the saturation), \( H_\omega AW \), anti-windup and designed anti-windup \( AW \) cases.
A roll solicitation of 40 deg at time $t = 1$ s followed by a step of −60 deg at time $t = 15$ s and a step of +60 deg at time $t = 30$ s is considered to compare the results. The time responses of the roll angle for the case without saturation, with the $\mathcal{H}_\infty AW_1$ anti-windup resulting from [7] and the designed dynamic $AW_2$ anti-windups are plotted in Figure 7. Similarly, the time evolutions of the control input $\delta_p$ in these cases are depicted in Figure 8.

One can observe that the level of performance of the very well-tuned $\mathcal{H}_\infty AW_1$ anti-windup is slightly degraded in comparison with the two cases of $AW_2$ design, but it remains acceptable and close to the ideal response that would be obtained if no saturation was present in the actuator block. One can also remark that the dynamic anti-windup design makes it possible to speed-up the rising time (less than 6 seconds) toward the set-point, with respect to the static anti-windup design (more than 6 seconds), even with very basic anti-windup dynamics ($AW_1$ design 1).

**Complementary illustrations**

The rate-saturation effectiveness is illustrated in Figures 9 and 10, where the signals $v$ and $x_\dot{\alpha}$ are plotted, respectively, for the case with and without anti-windup. One can check that the anti-windup action both reduces the number of rate-saturation events and the amplitude of the signal $v$ entering the saturation element (see Equation (3)).

Moreover, the stick response of the system, i.e., the output of the pilot gain block, is plotted in Figure 11 to illustrate the efficiency of the anti-windup design. In this case, with a moderately aggressive pilot ($K_p = 2$), one can check that the pilot workload increases in

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**Figure 8** – Roll solicitation of +40 deg at time $t = 1$ s followed by a step of −60 deg at time $t = 15$ s and a step of +60 deg at time $t = 30$ s: comparison of the saturating input for the un-saturated, saturated (no compensation of the saturation), $\mathcal{H}_\infty AW_1$ anti-windup and designed anti-windup $AW_2$ cases.

**Figure 9** – Roll solicitation of +40 deg at time $t = 1$ s followed by a step of −60 deg at time $t = 15$ s and a step of +60 deg at time $t = 30$ s: comparison of the signal $v$ used in Equation (3) for the saturated (no compensation of the saturation) and designed static and anti-windup cases.

**Figure 10** – Roll solicitation of +40 deg at time $t = 1$ s followed by a step of −60 deg at time $t = 15$ s and a step of +60 deg at time $t = 30$ s: comparison of the signal $x_\dot{\alpha}$ used in Equation (3) for the saturated (no compensation of the saturation) and designed static and anti-windup cases.

**Figure 11** – Roll solicitation of +40 deg at time $t = 1$ s followed by a step of −60 deg at time $t = 15$ s and a step of +60 deg at time $t = 30$ s: comparison of the pilot stick output for the un-saturated, saturated (no compensation of the saturation) and designed static and anti-windup cases.
is set to 5 s to generate sufficient excitation in the aircraft modes of motion.

This illustrates the situation where strong excitation of the lateral aircraft modes of motion may result in the instability of the saturation response. Anti-PIO and anti-windup strategies allow stability to be preserved. Moreover, the dynamic anti-windup strategy enables a good tracking of the reference to be preserved, when the standard anti-PIO and the static anti-windup induce degraded responses with overshoot even if stable.

**Conclusion**

An anti-windup design strategy has been proposed for systems involving both magnitude and rate saturations, and taking into consideration that such saturations elements only affect some of the inputs. Such a situation is illustrated on a lateral flying model of a civil aircraft undergoing moderately aggressive maneuvering by the pilot. For this kind of systems, it is well known that magnitude and rate saturations of the aileron deflection actuator may lead to an undesirable behavior, often called Pilot-Induced-Oscillation (PIO). Anti-windup compensators have been designed through adequate convex optimization schemes, and a comparison with given dynamic anti-PIO filters already developed has also been provided. The numerical evaluation has made it possible to show, first, that a static strategy provides better results than classical anti-PIO filters basically used in industry. Moreover, the increase in the complexity of dynamic anti-windup compensators (both in terms of structure and computation) is compensated by the fact that they make it possible to recover behaviors very close to that which would be obtained if the actuators were linear. In any case, there is room for future work, such as the design of other anti-windup schemes, which may include the parameter-varying approach [21] or reset controllers [25].

![Figure 12 – roll solicitation with a 3211 type input of amplitude ± 30 deg with a Δt = 5 s: comparison between the performance outputs for the saturated (no compensation of the saturation), standard anti-PIO and designed static and anti-windup cases](image-url)
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