# Stability and $H_{\infty}$ Control for Discrete-Time Singular Systems subject to Actuator Saturation

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Abstract—In this paper, sufficient conditions which guarantee that the discrete-time singular systems with actuator saturation are admissible with  $\gamma$ - disturbance attenuation are established. With these conditions, the estimation of stability region, state feedback design and  $H_{\infty}$  state feedback controllers are obtained by solving corresponding LMIs optimization problems. A numerical example to illustrate the effectiveness of the proposed methods is given.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

Singular systems, which are also referred to as implicit systems, descriptor systems, have extensive applications in many practical systems, such as circuit boundary control systems, chemical processes, economy systems, and other areas [1]. Hence a great number of fundamental notions and results in control and system theory based on standard state-space systems have been extended to singular systems, such as stability, stabilization and  $H_{\infty}$  control problems [2-7]. On the other hand, actuator saturation can lead to poor performance of the closed-loop system and sometimes destabilizes the system. The analysis and design for systems with actuator saturation have received a lot of attentions [8-11]. For singular systems with actuator saturation, readers may refer to [12-15]. In particular, [12] discussed the semiglobal stabilization and output regulation problems of singular systems with actuator saturation. [13] gave sufficient conditions for the stability of closed-loop systems with actuator saturation. [14] not only gave the sufficient conditions for the stability of closed-loop systems with actuator saturation, but also the estimation the domain of attraction and the design of state feedback gain matrix via linear matrix inequality (LMI) technique. [15] discussed the  $L_2$  and  $L_{\infty}$ problem of closed-loop systems with actuator saturation. All the results mentioned above are for continuous-time singular systems with actuator saturation. For discrete-time singular systems with actuator saturation, since the Lyapunov matrix is indefinite, it is more difficult to deal with the stability of the closed-loop systems and to design the controller compared to continuous-time singular systems with actuator saturation by using similar LMI method. To the best of our knowledge, the stability condition and  $H_{\infty}$  control for discrete-time singular systems with actuator saturation is an important but unexplored research topic.

In this paper, the stability and  $H_{\infty}$  control for discrete-time singular systems with actuator saturation are discussed. First,

a sufficient condition which guarantees that the discrete-time singular systems with actuator saturation are admissible is established. Using this condition, the estimation of stability region and the state feedback design are obtained by solving a convex optimization problem. Then, the condition and the convex optimization problem such that the discrete-time singular systems with actuator saturation are admissible with  $\gamma$ - disturbance attenuation are obtained. Finally, a numerical example to illustrate the effectiveness of the proposed method is given.

## II. PROBLEM DESCRIPTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Consider a discrete-time singular system subject to actuator saturation with the following dynamics

$$\begin{cases} Ex(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bsat(u(k)) + B_w w(k), \\ z(k) = Cx(k) + Dsat(u(k)) + D_w w(k), \end{cases}$$
(1)

where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x(k) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the system state,  $u(k) \in \mathbb{R}^p$  is the control input, and sat:  $\mathbb{R}^p \to \mathbb{R}^p$  is the standard saturation function defined as follows:

$$\operatorname{sat}(u(k)) = [\operatorname{sat}(u_1(k)) \quad \operatorname{sat}(u_2(k)) \quad \cdots \quad \operatorname{sat}(u_p(k))]^T,$$

where  $\operatorname{sat}(u_i(k)) = \operatorname{sign}(u_i(k)) \min\{1, |u_i(k)|\}$ . Here the notation of  $\operatorname{sat}(\cdot)$  is abused to denote the scalar values and the vector valued saturation functions [9,10].  $w(k) \in \mathbb{R}^q$  is the disturbance input which belongs to  $l_2 = \{\{a_k, k \in \mathbb{Z}\} | \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ||a_k||^2 < \infty\}, z(k) \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the controlled output. The matrix  $E \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is singular, and  $\operatorname{rank}(E) = r < n$ . *A*, *B*, *B<sub>w</sub>*, *C*, *D*, *D<sub>w</sub>* are known constant matrices with appropriate dimensions.

**Remark 1.** In this paper, only the case of  $|u_i(k)| \le 1, i = 1, 2, \cdots, p$  is discussed. If  $|u_i(k)| \le \tilde{u}_i$ , let  $\hat{u}_i(k) = \frac{1}{\tilde{u}_i}u_i(k)$ , then  $|\hat{u}_i(k)| \le 1$ .

**Definition 1 [1].** System  $Ex_{k+1} = Ax_k$  (or the pair (E, A)) is said to be regular if  $det(zE - A) \neq 0$ . The pair (E, A) is said to be causal if it is regular and degree (det(zE - A))) = rank(E). The pair (E, A) is said to be stable, if it is regular, and all the roots of det(zE - A) = 0 lie inside the unit disk with center at the origin.

**Definition 2 [2,3].** The pair (E, A) is said to be admissible if it is regular, causal and stable.

**Definition 3.** System (1) with  $u_k = 0$  is said to be admissible with  $\gamma$  - disturbance attenuation, if it is admissible, and for a given scalar  $\gamma > 0$ , for any disturbance  $w_k \in l_2$ , the  $H_{\infty}$  performance  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ||z(k)||^2 < \gamma^2 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ||w(k)||^2$  is satisfied with the zero initial conditions.

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In this paper, we study the design of the state feedback controller of the following form:

$$u(k) = Fx(k), \quad F = \bar{F}E, \tag{2}$$

where  $F \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$  and  $\overline{F} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$ .

**Remark 2.** In general, the state feedback is taken as u(k) = Fx(k), and there is no structural restriction on the feedback gain matrix  $\overline{F}$ . However, for singular system (1), the general state feedback case may lead to that the solution is not unique, hence the feedback gain matrix is assumed to be of the structure  $F = \overline{F}E$  to overcome this. To show that is required to guarantee the uniqueness of the solution of (1), notice that since rank(E) = r < n, there exist two nonsingular matrices  $M, N \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  such that

$$\begin{cases} MEN = \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0\\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, MAN = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2\\ A_3 & A_4 \end{bmatrix}, \\ FN = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 & F_2 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{F}M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 & \bar{F}_2 \end{bmatrix}, & (3) \\ MBN = \begin{bmatrix} B_1\\ B_2 \end{bmatrix}, x(k) = N \begin{bmatrix} x_1(k)\\ x_2(k) \end{bmatrix}, \end{cases}$$

where  $x_1(k) \in \mathbb{R}^r$ ,  $x_2(k) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-r}$ . If u(k) = Fx(k) and there is no structural assumption on F, then system (1) with w(k) = 0 is r.s.e. (restricted system equivalent) [1] to the following system

$$\begin{aligned} x_1(k+1) &= A_1 x_1(k) + A_2 x_2(k) \\ &+ B_1 \text{sat}(F_1 x_1(k) + F_2 x_2(k)), \\ 0 &= A_3 x_1(k) + A_4 x_2(k) + B_2 \text{sat}(F_1 x_1(k) + F_2 x_2(k)). \end{aligned}$$
(4)

If  $x_1(0)$  is given, since  $x_2(0)$  is in the function sat, from the second equation of (4), the unique solution of  $x_2(0)$  cannot be obtained directly even  $A_4$  is nonsingular. So system (4) has unique solution if  $B_2 = 0$ , that is, B satisfies that  $B = E\bar{B}$ . If  $u(k) = \bar{F}Ex(k)$ , then system (1) is r.s.e. to

$$x_1(k+1) = A_1 x_1(k) + A_2 x_2(k) + B_1 \text{sat}(F_1 x_1(k)),$$
  

$$0 = A_3 x_1(k) + A_4 x_2(k) + B_2 \text{sat}(\bar{F}_1 x_1(k)),$$
(5)

the unique solution of state  $x_2(k)$  can be obtained when  $A_4$  is nonsingular.

**Remark 3.** For system (1) with the state feedback in (2), if the initial condition is given as x(0), then from (3),  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix} = N^{-1}x(0)$ , and from the second equation of (5), another  $x_2(0)$  is obtained. In general, these two  $x_2(0)$  are different. In such case, the initial condition is not compatible, in order to guarantee that the initial condition for system (1) is compatible, the initial condition is given as  $Ex(0) = x_0$ , in this case, only  $x_1(0)$  is given, and  $x_2(0)$  is obtained by

$$0 = A_3 x_1(0) + A_4 x_2(0) + B_2 \operatorname{sat}(\bar{F}_1 x_1(0)).$$
 (6)

In this paper, two objectives will be achieved. The first one is to obtain a stability condition for the closed-loop system

$$Ex(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bsat(\bar{F}Ex), \tag{7}$$

and design a state feedback controller of the form (2) such that the closed-loop system (7) is admissible. The second one is to design a state feedback controller of the form (2)

for system (1) such that the closed-loop system is admissible with  $\gamma$ - disturbance attenuation.

For the rest of our paper, let us recall some important notions and results which have been given in [9,10].

For a matrix  $F \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$ , denote the *i*th row of F as  $f_i$  and define  $\mathcal{L}(F)$  as

$$\mathcal{L}(F) = \{ x(k) \in \mathbb{R}^n : |f_i x(k)| \le 1, i = 1, 2, \cdots, p \}.$$

Let  $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a symmetric matrix and  $E^T P E \ge 0$ , and denote by  $\Omega(P)$  the following set:

$$\Omega(E^T P E) = \{ x(k) \in \mathbb{R}^n : x^T(k) E^T P E x(k) \le 1 \}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be the set of  $p \times p$  diagonal matrices whose diagonal elements are either 1 or 0. Suppose each element of  $\mathcal{D}$  is labelled as  $D_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 2^p$ , and denote  $D_i^- = I - D_i$ . Clearly, if  $D_i \in \mathcal{D}$ , then  $D_i^- \in \mathcal{D}$ .

**Lemma 1** [9]. Let  $F, H \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$ . Then for any  $x(k) \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ 

$$sat(Fx(k)) \in co\{D_iFx(k) + D_i^-Hx(k), i = 1, 2, \cdots, 2^p\}$$

or, equivalently,

$$\operatorname{sat}(Fx(k)) = \sum_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) (D_{i}F + D_{i}^{-}H)x(k)$$

where co stands for the convex hull,  $\alpha_i(k)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \cdots, 2^p$  are some scalars which satisfy  $0 \le \alpha_i(k) \le 1$ and  $\sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \alpha_i(k) = 1$ .

The following lemma also will be used in the state feedback controller design.

**Lemma 2.** Given matrices X, Y, Z with appropriate dimensions, and Y is symmetric. Then there exists scalar  $\rho > 0$ , such that  $\rho I + Y > 0$  and

$$-X^{T}Z - Z^{T}X - Z^{T}YZ \le X^{T}(\rho I + Y)^{-1}X + \rho Z^{T}Z.$$

If Y > 0, then  $\rho$  can be taken as  $\rho = 0$  [16].

# III. STABILITY CONDITION AND CONTROLLER DESIGN

In this section, first of all, we consider the stability condition for system (7).

**Theorem 1.** Let F = FE be the state feedback controller gain matrix. If there exist a symmetric matrix P and matrices  $\overline{F}$ , H such that

$$E^T P E \ge 0, \tag{8}$$

$$A_{iF}^T P A_{iF} - E^T P E < 0, \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, 2^p$$
 (9)

and  $\Omega(E^T P E) \subset \mathcal{L}(H)$ , then the closed-loop system (7) is admissible within  $\Omega(E^T P E)$ , where

$$A_{iF} = A + B(D_i \bar{F} E + D_i^- H).$$
(10)

**Proof.** First, let us prove that the closed-loop system (7) is regular and causal. Let

$$M^{-T}PM^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & P_2 \\ P_2^T & P_3 \end{bmatrix}, HN = \begin{bmatrix} H_1 & H_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$
(11)

From (8), together with (3), it follows that

$$N^T E^T P E N = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} P_1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \ge 0,$$

it is obtained that  $P_1 \ge 0$ . From the set inclusion condition  $\Omega(E^T P E) \subset \mathcal{L}(H)$ , it is obtained that  $H_2 = 0$ . Otherwise, let  $x(k) = N \begin{bmatrix} x_1(k) \\ x_2(k) \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $x_1(k) = 0$  and  $|h_{2i}x_2(k)| > 1$ , then  $x^T(k)E^T P E x(k) = 0$ ,  $|h_i x(k)| = |h_{2i}x_2(k)| > 1$ , it contradicts that  $\Omega(E^T P E) \subset \mathcal{L}(H)$ , where  $h_{2i}, h_i$ are the *i*th row of matrices  $H_2$ , H, respectively. Pre- and postmultiply inequality (9) by  $N^T$  and N, respectively, and together with (3), it follows that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{A}_1 & A_2 \\ \bar{A}_3 & A_4 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & P_2 \\ P_2^T & P_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{A}_1 & A_2 \\ \bar{A}_3 & A_4 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} < 0,$$
(12)

where

$$\bar{A}_1 = A_1 + B_1 D_i \bar{F}_1 + B_1 D_i^- H_1, \bar{A}_3 = A_3 + B_2 D_i \bar{F}_1 + B_2 D_i^- H_1.$$

From Dai [1], the closed-loop system (7) is regular and causal if and only if  $A_4$  is nonsingular. If  $A_4$  is singular, then there exists a vector  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^{n-r}$  and  $\xi \neq 0$  such that  $A_4\xi = 0$ . Let  $\zeta = [0 \ \xi^T]^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then pre- and postmultiply inequality (12) by  $\zeta^T$  and  $\zeta$ , respectively, it is obtained that  $\xi^T A_2^T P_1 A_2 \xi < 0$ , which contradicts  $P_1 \ge 0$ .

Next, we prove that system (7) is stable. Since  $A_4$  is nonsingular, let  $T_i = \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ -A_4^{-1}\bar{A}_3 & I_{n-r} \end{bmatrix}$ , then pre- and postmultiply inequality (12) by  $T_i^T$  and  $T_i$ , respectively, it is obtained that  $\begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & \star \\ \star & \star \end{bmatrix} < 0$ , where  $Q_1 = (\bar{A}_1 - A_2A_4^{-1}\bar{A}_3)^T P_1(\bar{A}_1 - A_2A_4^{-1}\bar{A}_3) - P_1$ , and  $\star$  represents the matrix block we do not need. From  $Q_1 < 0$ , it follows that  $P_1 > 0$ . On the other hand, from Lemma 1, for every  $x(k) \in \Omega(E^T PE)$ , we have

 $\operatorname{sat}(\bar{F}Ex(k)) \in \operatorname{co}\{(D_i\bar{F}E + D_i^-H)x(k), \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, 2^p\}.$ 

It follows that

$$Ax(k) + Bsat(\bar{F}Ex(k)) \in co\{A_{iF}x(k), i = 1, 2, \cdots, 2^{p}\}.$$

Define the Lyapunov function candidate as

$$V(x(k)) = x_1^T(k)P_1x_1(k) = x^T(k)E^T P E x(k),$$

then

$$\begin{split} \Delta V(k) &= V(x(k+1)) - V(x(k)) \\ &= x^T(k+1)E^T P E x(k+1) - x^T(k)E^T P E x(k) \\ &= (Ax(k) + B \mathrm{sat}(\bar{F} E x(k)))^T P \\ &\quad \cdot (Ax(k) + B \mathrm{sat}(\bar{F} E x(k))) - x^T(k)E^T P E x(k) \\ &\leq \max_{i \in [1, 2^p]} x^T(k) A_{iF}^T P A_{iF} x(k) < 0, \\ &\quad \forall x(k) \in \Omega(E^T P E) \setminus 0, \end{split}$$

which indicates that the closed-loop system (7) is stable within  $\Omega(E^T P E)$ . The proof is completed.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $F = \overline{F}E$  be the state feedback controller gain matrix. If there exist a positive definite matrix X, a symmetric matrix S and matrices  $\overline{F}$ , H such that

$$A_{iF}^{T}(X - L^{T}SL)A_{iF} - E^{T}XE < 0, \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, 2^{p}, \ (13)$$

and  $\Omega(E^T X E) \subset \mathcal{L}(H)$ , then the closed-loop system (7) is admissible within  $\Omega(E^T X E)$ , where  $L \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is any constant matrix satisfying LE = 0, rank(L) = n - r.

**Proof.** If (10) holds, let  $P = X - L^T SL$ , then  $E^T PE = E^T XE \ge 0$ ,  $\Omega(E^T XE) = \Omega(E^T PE)$  and (13) is equivalent to (9). The proof is completed.

In the following, we give the estimation of the set  $\Omega(E^T X E)$  with respect to a shape reference set  $X_R$ . It can be solved by the following optimization problem

$$\begin{array}{l} \textbf{OP1}:\\ \sup_{X>0,S,\bar{F},H} \alpha\\ \text{subject to} \\ (i) \ \alpha X_R \subset \Omega(E^T X E)\\ (ii) \ (13)\\ (iii) \ \Omega(E^T X E) \subset \mathcal{L}(H) \end{array}$$

The above optimization problem is non-convex, in order to formulate this problem into a convex one, we have the following discussion. If  $X_R$  has the form as

$$X_R = \operatorname{co}\{r_1, r_2, \cdots, r_l\}, r_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

then (i) is equivalent to

$$\alpha^2 r_i^T E^T X E r_i \le 1, \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, l,$$

by Schur complement, which is equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha^{-2} & r_i^T E^T X \\ X E r_i & X \end{bmatrix} \ge 0, \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, l.$$
(14)

If  $X_R$  has the following form

$$X_R = \{x(k) \in \mathbb{R}^n : x^T(k) E^T \overline{R} E x(k) \le 1\},\$$

where 
$$R > 0$$
. Let  
 $M^{-T}XM^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 \\ X_2^T & X_3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $X_1 > 0$ ,  
 $M^{-T}\bar{R}M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{R}_1 & \bar{R}_2 \\ \bar{R}_2^T & \bar{R}_3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\bar{R}_1 > 0$ ,  
then  
 $x^T(k)E^TXEx(k) = x_1^T(k)X_1x_1(k)$ ,  
 $x^T(k)E^T\bar{R}Ex(k) = x_1^T(k)\bar{R}_1x_1(k)$ .

(i) is equivalent to  $\alpha^2 X_1 \leq \bar{R}_1$ , that is,  $\alpha^2 E^T X E \leq E^T \bar{R} E$ , which is equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha^{-2} E^T \bar{R} E & E^T X \\ X E & X \end{bmatrix} \ge 0 \tag{15}$$

by Schur complement.

Consider (*ii*), by Lemma 2, for any scalars  $\epsilon_1$ , there exists  $\rho > 0$  such that

$$\rho I + S > 0, \tag{16}$$

$$-A_{iF}^{T}L^{T}SLA_{iF} \leq \epsilon_{1}A_{iF}^{T}L^{T} + \epsilon_{1}LA_{iF} + \epsilon_{1}^{2}(\rho I + S)^{-1} + \rho A_{iF}^{T}L^{T}LA_{iF}.$$
(17)

By Schur complement, and from (16), (17), if

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Theta_{11} & A_{iF}^T & \epsilon_1 I_n & \rho A_{iF}^T L^T \\ * & -X^{-1} & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & -\rho I - S & 0 \\ * & * & * & -\rho I \end{bmatrix} < 0, \quad (18)$$
$$i = 1, 2, \cdots, 2^p$$

where

$$\Theta_{11} = -E^T X E + \epsilon_1 A_{iF}^T L^T + \epsilon_1 L A_{iF}$$
(19)

holds, then condition (ii) holds. Here, two methods can be used to deal with  $X^{-1}$  in (18). One consists of using the following inequality

$$-X^{-1} \le -2\epsilon_2 I + \epsilon_2^2 X \tag{20}$$

obtained by Lemma 2, therefore, if

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Theta_{11} & A_{iF}^T & \epsilon_1 I_n & \rho A_{iF}^T L^T \\ * & -2\epsilon_2 I + \epsilon_2^2 X & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & -\rho I - S & 0 \\ * & * & * & -\rho I \end{bmatrix} < 0,$$
  
$$i = 1, 2, \cdots, 2^p$$
(21)

holds, then (18) holds. Another is letting  $X^{-1} = Z$  directly, XZ = I, then (18) is transformed into

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Theta_{11} & A_{iF}^T & \epsilon_1 I_n & \rho A_{iF}^T L^T \\ * & -Z & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & -\rho I - S & 0 \\ * & * & * & -\rho I \end{bmatrix} < 0, \quad (22)$$
$$i = 1, 2, \cdots, 2^p.$$

From

$$x^{T}(k)E^{T}XEx(k) = x_{1}^{T}(k)X_{1}x_{1}(k), Hx(k) = H_{1}x_{1}(k),$$

the condition (iii) is equivalent to

$$h_{1i}X_1^{-1}h_{1i}^T \le 1, \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, p,$$

by Schur complement, which is equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & h_{1i} \\ h_{1i}^T & X_1 \end{bmatrix} \ge 0, \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, p$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \begin{bmatrix} h_{1i} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} h_{1i} & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T & \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 \\ X_2^T & X_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \ge 0,$$
$$i = 1, 2, \cdots, p. \tag{23}$$

Pre- and postmultiply inequality (23) by diag $\{1, N^{-T}\}$  and diag $\{1, N^{-1}\}$ , respectively, together with (3), it follows that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & h_i \\ h_i^T & E^T X E \end{bmatrix} \ge 0, \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, p.$$
 (24)

Notice that  $H_2 = 0$ ,  $[h_{1i} \ 0] = [h_{1i} \ \star] \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0\\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , (24) is also equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & h_i E \\ E^T \bar{h}_i^T & E^T X E \end{bmatrix} \ge 0, \ i = 1, 2, \cdots, p,$$
(24')

where  $\bar{h}_i$  is the *i*th row of  $\bar{H}$  and  $H = \bar{H}E$ .

**Remark 4.** If  $\epsilon_1$ ,  $\epsilon_2 > 0$  and  $\rho > 0$  are given first in (21) and (22), then (21) is a LMI, and (22) can be solved by cone complement method [17]. The optimal values of  $\epsilon_1$ ,  $\epsilon_2$  and  $\rho$  can be obtained by using a numerical optimization algorithm, such as fminsearch in Optimization Toolbox.

Then the optimization problem **OP1** can be transformed to the following LMI problem:

**OP2**:  

$$\inf_{X>0,S,\bar{F},H} \beta$$
subject to inequalities (14)(or (15)), (21)  
and (24)(or (24')),

or

**OP2** ' :  $\inf_{X>0,Z>0,S,\bar{F},H}\beta$ subject to inequalities (14)(or (15)), (22)with XZ = I and (24)(or (24')),

where  $\beta = \alpha^{-2}$ ,  $\epsilon_1$ ,  $\epsilon_2 > 0$  and  $\rho > 0$  are given scalars. The optimal state feedback controller gain  $F = \overline{F}E$  can be obtained by solving OP2 or OP2', directly.

### IV. $H_{\infty}$ CONTROLLER DESIGN

In this section, we consider the admissibility with  $\gamma$ disturbance attenuation for system (1) with  $u(k) = \overline{F}Ex(k)$ . First, in order to solve this problem by using LMI approach, we assume that q = n.

**Remark 5.** Generally, 
$$q \neq n$$
. If  $q < n$ , then let  $\hat{w}(k) = \begin{bmatrix} w(k) \\ \bar{w}(k) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , and  $\bar{B}_w = \begin{bmatrix} B_w & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\bar{D}_w = \begin{bmatrix} D_w & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  
If  $q > n$ , then let  $\hat{x}(k) = \begin{bmatrix} x(k) \\ \bar{x}(k) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times q}$ , and  $\hat{E} = \begin{bmatrix} E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\hat{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\hat{B} = \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\bar{C} = \begin{bmatrix} C & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  
 $\hat{B}_w = \begin{bmatrix} B_w \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Therefore, the input-output relation of system (1) does not change.

The closed-loop system of system (1) with u(k) = $\overline{F}Ex(k)$  is

$$\begin{cases} Ex(k+1) = Ax(k) + B\operatorname{sat}(\bar{F}Ex(k)) + B_w w(k), \\ z(k) = Cx(k) + D\operatorname{sat}(\bar{F}Ex(k)) + D_w w(k). \end{cases}$$
(25)

**Theorem 3.** For given scalars  $\gamma > 0$ ,  $\epsilon_1$ ,  $\epsilon_2 > 0$ ,  $\epsilon_3$  and  $\rho > 0$ , if there exists matrices X > 0, S,  $\overline{F}$  and H such that

and  $\Omega(E^T X E) \subset \mathcal{L}(H)$ , then the closed-loop system (25) is admissible with  $\gamma$ - disturbance attenuation within  $\Omega(E^T X E)$ , where

$$C_{iF} = C + D(D_i \bar{F} E + D_i^- H).$$
 (27)

**Proof.** First, from (26), it follows that (18) holds, then from Theorem 2, system (25) with w(k) = 0 is admissible within  $\Omega(E^T X E)$ . Next, let us prove that system (25) satisfy  $H_{\infty}$  performance. Let  $P = X - L^T SL$ , construct the Lyapunov function as  $V(x(k)) = x^T(k)E^T PEx(k)$ , from Lemma 1, it is obtained that

$$\Delta V(k) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) (A_{iF}x(k) + B_{w}w(k))\right]^{T} \\ \cdot P\left[\sum_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) (A_{iF}x(k) + B_{w}w(k))\right] \\ -x^{T}(k)E^{T}PEx(k).$$

Then, it follows that

$$J = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (z^{T}(k)z(k) - \gamma^{2}w^{T}(k)w(k))$$
  

$$\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (z^{T}(k)z(k) - \gamma^{2}w^{T}(k)w(k) + \Delta V(k))$$
  

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [x^{T}(k) \quad w^{T}(k)] \Phi [x^{T}(k) \quad w^{T}(k)]^{T},$$
(28)

where

$$\Phi = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \begin{bmatrix} C_{iF}^{T} \\ D_{w}^{T} \end{bmatrix}\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \begin{bmatrix} C_{iF}^{T} \\ D_{w}^{T} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \right) \\ + \begin{bmatrix} -E^{T}PE & 0 \\ 0 & -\gamma^{2}I \end{bmatrix} \\ + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \begin{bmatrix} A_{iF}^{T} \\ B_{w}^{T} \end{bmatrix}\right) P\left(\sum_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \begin{bmatrix} A_{iF}^{T} \\ B_{w}^{T} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \right).$$

If  $\Phi < 0$ , then system (25) satisfies the  $H_{\infty}$  performance. Notice that from (26), it can be obtained that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \alpha_i(k)\Psi < 0. \tag{29}$$

According to the Schur complement, (29) is equivalent to

$$\begin{split} \bar{\Psi} &= \left[ \begin{array}{cc} \sum\limits_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \Theta_{11} & \sum\limits_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \epsilon_{3} A_{iF}^{T} L^{T} + \epsilon_{1} L B_{w} \\ &* & -\gamma^{2} I + \epsilon_{3} B_{w}^{T} + \epsilon_{3} B_{w} \end{array} \right] \\ &+ (\sum\limits_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \left[ \begin{array}{c} C_{iF}^{T} \\ D_{w}^{T} \end{array} \right]) (\sum\limits_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \left[ \begin{array}{c} C_{iF}^{T} \\ D_{w}^{T} \end{array} \right]^{T}) \\ &+ (\sum\limits_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \left[ \begin{array}{c} A_{iF}^{T} \\ B_{w}^{T} \end{array} \right]) X (\sum\limits_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \left[ \begin{array}{c} A_{iF}^{T} \\ B_{w}^{T} \end{array} \right]^{T}) \\ &+ \rho (\sum\limits_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \left[ \begin{array}{c} A_{iF}^{T} \\ B_{w}^{T} \end{array} \right]) L^{T} X L (\sum\limits_{i=1}^{2^{p}} \alpha_{i}(k) \left[ \begin{array}{c} A_{iF}^{T} \\ B_{w}^{T} \end{array} \right]^{T}) \\ &+ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \epsilon_{1} I \\ \epsilon_{3} I \end{array} \right] (\rho I + S)^{-1} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \epsilon_{1} I \\ \epsilon_{3} I \end{array} \right]^{T} < 0 \end{split}$$

and  $\rho I + S > 0$ . From Lemma 2 and  $P = X - L^T SL$ , it is obtained that  $\Phi < \overline{\Psi}$ . Therefore,  $\Phi < 0$ . The proof is completed.

Notice that we have X and  $X^{-1}$  in (26) at the same time, we can deal with  $X^{-1}$  in (26) similarly to the method used in (18). The first one, from (20), let  $X^{-1}$  be replaced by  $-2\epsilon_2 I + \epsilon_2^2 X$ , and another is that let  $X^{-1} = Z$ , XZ = I.

**Theorem 4.** For given scalars  $\gamma > 0$ ,  $\epsilon_1$ ,  $\epsilon_2 > 0$ ,  $\epsilon_3$  and  $\rho > 0$ , if the following optimization problem

**OP3**:  

$$\inf_{X>0,S,\bar{F},H} \beta$$
subject to inequalities (14)(or (15)),  
(26) with  $X^{-1}$  being replaced by  $-2\epsilon_2 I + \epsilon_2^2 X$   
and (24)(or (24')),

**OP3** ' :

or

 $\inf_{\substack{X>0,Z>0,S,\bar{F},H}} \beta$ subject to inequalities (14)(or (15)),
(26) with  $X^{-1} = Z$  and (24)(or (24')),

have solution, then there exists a  $H_{\infty}$  state feedback controller of the form as (2), and the feedback gain is taken as  $F = \overline{F}E$ .

**Remark 6.** The conditions given in Theorems 1-4 and **OP1 -OP3** are also valid for the case of  $B = E\overline{B}$ . In this case, it needs only to replaced  $B, \overline{F}E$  with  $E\overline{B}, F$  in all the conditions, respectively, and the state feedback controller gain matrix is F.

#### V. EXAMPLE

Consider the stability and  $H_{\infty}$  control for system (1) with the following coefficient matrices

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 10 & 5 \\ 0 & 2.5 & 2.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 12 & 6 \\ 9 & 5.5 & 5.5 \\ 2.5 & 1 & 2.5 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}^T, B_w = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}^T, C = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}, D = 0.1, D_w = 0.1.$$

Let 
$$\gamma = 0.8$$
,  $\bar{R} = I_3$ ,  $L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

1. The stability problem. Let  $\epsilon_1 = -11$ ,  $\epsilon_2 = 1$ ,  $\rho = 0.01$ . Solve **OP2** subject to (15), (21) and (24), it is obtained that  $\beta_{inf} = 0.6019$ , and

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5246 & -0.0567 & -0.0277 \\ -0.0567 & 0.5579 & -0.0267 \\ -0.0277 & -0.0267 & 0.1886 \end{bmatrix},$$

the controller gain matrix is given by

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} -1.6397 & -1.4403 & 0.1995 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The bigger ellipsoid shown in Figure 1 is the ellipsoid  $\Omega(E^T X E, 1)$  for stability under the transformation

$$y(k) = \bar{N}x(k), \bar{N} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$
 (30)

Figure 2 gives the controller u(k) behavior with respect to time. Figures 3 and 4 give simulations for the state trajectories of the open-loop system and the closed-loop system, respectively, the initial condition values are  $Ex(0) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0.75 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$ . It can be seen the designed controller stabilizes on system.



Figure 1. The ellipsoids  $\Omega(E^T X E, 1)$  for stability and  $H_{\infty}$  control, respectively



Figure 2. The controller u(k)



Figure 3. The state trajectories of the open-loop system



Figure 4. The state trajectories of the closed-loop system

2. The  $H_{\infty}$  control problem. Let  $\epsilon_1 = -11$ ,  $\epsilon_2 = 1$ ,  $\epsilon_3 = -0.01$ ,  $\rho = 0.01$ . Since q = 1, n = 3, q < n. From Remark 7, let  $B_w = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.3 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $D_w = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

solving **OP3** subject to (15), (26) with  $X^{-1}$  being replaced by  $-2\epsilon_2 I + \epsilon_2^2 X$  and (24), it is obtained that  $\beta_{inf} = 0.7643$ , and

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6057 & -0.1373 & 0.2108 \\ -0.1373 & 0.6446 & 0.1883 \\ 0.2108 & 0.1883 & 0.1922 \end{bmatrix},$$

and the controller gain matrix is given by

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} -1.5489 & -1.1684 & 0.3804 \end{bmatrix}$$
.

The smaller ellipsoid (in dash) shown in Figure 1 is the ellipsoid  $\Omega(E^T X E, 1)$  for the  $H_{\infty}$  control under the transformation (30).

### VI. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, the stability and the  $H_{\infty}$  control problems for discrete-time singular systems with actuator saturation are discussed. The sufficient conditions which guarantee that the discrete-time singular systems with actuator saturation are admissible, admissible with  $\gamma$ - disturbance attenuation are established. With these conditions, the estimation of stability region and the state feedback controller, and the  $H_{\infty}$  state feedback controller are obtained by solving corresponding LMIs optimization problems.

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