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ABSTRACT

A control-system design method, Quadratic Optimal Cooperative Control Synthesis (CCS), is applied to the design of a Stability and Control Augmentation System (SCAS). The CCS design method is different from other design methods in that it does not require detailed *a priori* design criteria, but instead relies on an explicit optimal pilot-model to create desired performance. The design method, which was developed previously for fixed-wing aircraft, is simplified and modified for application to a Boeing Vertol CH-47 helicopter. Two SCAS designs are developed using the CCS design methodology. The resulting CCS designs are then compared with designs obtained using classical/frequency-domain methods and Linear Quadratic Regulator (LQR) theory in a piloted fixed-base simulation. Results indicate that the CCS method, with slight modifications, can be used to produce controller designs which compare favorably with the frequency-domain approach.

NOMENCLATURE

Matrix Definitions

A	helicopter dynamics matrix
A	augmented helicopter dynamics matrix
B	helicopter control effectiveness matrix
B	augmented helicopter control effectiveness matrix
B_a	pilot-model helicopter control effectiveness matrix
B_p	SCAS helicopter control effectiveness matrix
C_p	pilot-model state observation matrix
C_u	SCAS control measurement matrix
C_x	SCAS state measurement matrix
D	helicopter disturbance input matrix
F_1	pilot-model control input weighting matrix (SCAS objective function)
F_2	pilot-model control rate input weighting matrix (SCAS objective function)
F_3	SCAS control input weighting matrix (SCAS objective function)
F_p	pilot-model total state estimator gain matrix
F_u	pilot-model state estimator gain matrix (on pilot control)
F_x	pilot-model state estimator gain matrix (on aircraft state)
G	LQR feedback control gain matrix
G_a	SCAS feedback and feedforward control gain matrix
G_{fb}	pseudoinverse additional feedback control gain matrix
G_{ff}	pseudoinverse additional feedforward control gain matrix
$G_{modified}$	pseudoinverse total control gain matrix
G_p	pilot-model feedback and feedforward control gain matrix
G_u	pilot-model feedforward control gain matrix
G_{uu}	SCAS feedforward control gain matrix
G_x	pilot-model feedback control gain matrix
G_{xx}	SCAS feedback control gain matrix
R	control displacement weighting matrix (LQR objective function)

R_1	control displacement weighting matrix (pilot-model objective function)
R_2	control rate weighting matrix (pilot-model objective function)
Q	aircraft state weighting matrix (LQR objective function)
Q_a	aircraft state weighting matrix (SCAS objective function)
Q_p	aircraft state weighting matrix (pilot-model objective function)
V_m	pilot-model motor noise intensity matrix
V_p	pilot-model observation noise intensity matrix
W	aircraft disturbance intensity matrix
$[\cdot]^T$	transpose of $[\cdot]$
$[\cdot]^{-1}$	inverse of $[\cdot]$
$[\cdot]^\dagger$	pseudoinverse of $[\cdot]$

Vector Definitions

u	helicopter control input vector ($u^T = [\delta_e, \delta_a, \delta_c, \delta_r]$)
u_a	SCAS control input vector
u_p	pilot-model control input vector
\hat{u}_p	pilot-model state estimate of control vector
v_m	pilot-model motor noise vector
v_p	pilot-model observation noise vector
w	aircraft input noise vector
x	helicopter state vector ($x^T = [u, w, q, \theta, v, p, \phi, r]$)
\hat{x}	pilot-model estimate of helicopter state vector
y_a	SCAS measurement vector
y_p	pilot-model observation vector

Scalar Definitions

$E[\cdot]$	expected value of $[\cdot]$
J	LQR objective function
J_a	SCAS objective function
J_p	pilot-model objective function
p	aircraft roll-rate, deg/sec
q	aircraft pitch-rate, deg/sec
r	aircraft yaw-rate, deg/sec
u	aircraft longitudinal velocity, ft/sec
v	aircraft lateral velocity, ft/sec
w	aircraft vertical velocity, ft/sec

Greek Symbols

β	aircraft sideslip angle, degrees
$\delta(t)$	Dirac delta function
δ_e	longitudinal cyclic position, in.
δ_a	lateral cyclic position, in.
δ_c	collective position, in.
δ_r	pedal position, in.
λ	real eigenvalue
ϕ	aircraft bank angle, degrees
τ_n	pilot-model neuromuscular time constant, sec
θ	aircraft pitch attitude, degrees
ω_n	undamped natural frequency
ζ	damping ratio

1. INTRODUCTION

In the past, the predominant method for Stability and Control Augmentation System (SCAS) design has been a frequency-domain based approach, in which suitable input-output characteristics are obtained by matching desired transfer functions using root-locus techniques. Although this approach has proven to be a very reliable and successful technique, there are disadvantages which become apparent when applied to more complex aircraft with higher degrees of coupling. Recently, there has also been increased interest in a more integrated approach to control-system design, in which several automatic controllers in an aircraft are designed to work together instead of autonomously. Frequency-domain techniques are difficult to apply in this situation because of their single-input, single-output nature.

These trends have led towards a more algorithmic, or automatic, approach to control-system design. One area that has received a great deal of attention in recent years has been Linear Quadratic Regulator (LQR) theory. Although LQR theory is well suited to the design of autopilots in aircraft or structural control design, it is not always adequate for SCAS design since the theory automatically leads to a stable closed-loop system. Successful SCAS design requires adequate closed-loop stability *and* proper pilot control response; basic LQR theory does not provide a direct means to meet the latter requirement.

Another control design technique which utilizes LQR theory is model-based compensation (ref. 1), in which LQR theory is used to minimize differences between aircraft states and states of a math model which possesses the desired characteristics. Although this still promises to be a very useful and powerful design method, there are some serious disadvantages. First, the design method requires detailed *a priori* knowledge of the desired aircraft response. Second, the structure of the control design requires on-line calculation of the model states for the control law implementation. Finally, like most LQR-based designs, it usually requires state feedback, making an estimator necessary. The combination of the model and the estimator leads in most cases to a very high-order control-system, requiring sophisticated computer equipment to do the on-line computation necessary for the controller implementation.

Quadratic Optimal Cooperative Control Synthesis (CCS) is a control design method which also uses LQR theory, but it offers two distinct features. First, it leads to a very simple measurement feedback controller design. Second, it requires no detailed *a priori* design criteria, because an assumed analytic pilot-model structure is an inherent feature of the approach. This can be a great advantage in cases where no existing design criteria exist because of either the nature of aircraft being controlled, or of the task being performed. The need for explicit *a priori* design criteria is eliminated through the use of an explicit optimal pilot-model; all that is necessary is a description of the desired task.

Previously, the CCS method was used to design a SCAS for the longitudinal dynamics of the AFTI/F-16 aircraft (ref. 2). When evaluated in a fixed-base simulation, this CCS design was found to compare favorably with the augmentation currently being used on the F-16. The purpose of the work described in this paper was to investigate the feasibility of using CCS methodology for control augmentation design in helicopters. To do this, it was necessary both to simplify and modify the design process for application to a different class of flight vehicle. Two different SCAS controls were designed using the CCS method on a helicopter; two other controllers were designed using LQR and frequency-domain methods. The resulting control-systems were then compared in a piloted fixed-base simulation.

The remainder of this paper describes the CCS methodology, the experiment design and conduct, and the results and conclusions of the experiment.

2. CCS DESIGN METHOD

For optimal control design methods, a controller is sought which will minimize some type of objective function. As an example, in LQR theory, a quadratic sum of plant states and control inputs is minimized. Similarly, in model-based compensation, a quadratic sum of errors between the model and plant states, and the control inputs is minimized. Cooperative Control Synthesis (CCS) is also based on minimizing an objective function, but it differs from these other two methods in what is defined to be minimized.

The basic CCS design structure is shown in figure 1. This method incorporates an optimal pilot-model with the aircraft model; then a quadratic sum of aircraft states, control inputs, and *pilot* states is minimized. Another advantage of CCS over other optimal control design methods is the use of measurement (or output) feedback rather than full state feedback (for the control design).

The CCS design method is an iterative procedure in which the simultaneous solution of both the optimal pilot-model equations and output feedback equations is obtained. The solution method is iterative because of the use of output rather than state feedback; this will be discussed in more detail later in the paper. The basic design steps are described below:

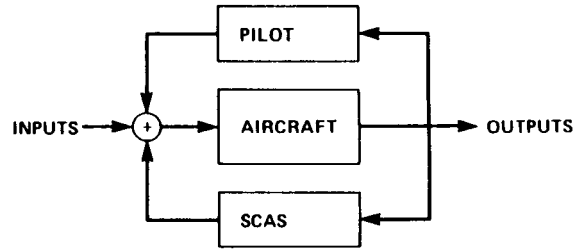


Figure 1 - CCS Design Structure

- 1) The optimal pilot-model solution is obtained for control of the augmented aircraft (on the first iteration of the design, the aircraft augmentation is set to zero)
- 2) The LQR output feedback solution is obtained for the total aircraft/pilot-model system.
- 3) Steps 1 and 2 are repeated until a stationary solution is obtained.

The aircraft model, optimal pilot-model, SCAS solution, and design method simplifications and modifications are described in the following sections.

2.1 Aircraft Model

The linearized aircraft dynamics can be expressed in terms of the relation:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}_p\mathbf{u}_p + \mathbf{B}_a\mathbf{u}_a + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{w} \quad (1)$$

where \mathbf{x} = aircraft states
 \mathbf{u}_p = pilot control inputs
 \mathbf{u}_a = aircraft controller inputs
 \mathbf{w} = aircraft disturbance (a zero mean Gaussian white noise process with intensity \mathbf{W} ; $\mathbf{E}\{\mathbf{w}(t)\mathbf{w}^T(\tau)\} = \mathbf{W}\delta(t - \tau)$)

and \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B}_p , \mathbf{B}_a , and \mathbf{D} are constant matrices of appropriate dimensions. All of the vectors described above are perturbations about the trimmed aircraft states and control positions. The SCAS control law \mathbf{u}_a and feedback measurements \mathbf{y}_a are expressed as:

$$\mathbf{u}_a = \mathbf{G}_a\mathbf{y}_a \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_a = \mathbf{C}_x\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{C}_u\mathbf{u}_p \quad (3)$$

where \mathbf{C}_x and \mathbf{C}_u are constant gain matrices representing the combination of aircraft states and control positions available for measurement and feedback, and \mathbf{G}_a is the constant feedback and feedforward gain matrix. Substituting equations (2) and (3) into equation (1) yields the augmented aircraft dynamics:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}_a\mathbf{G}_a\mathbf{C}_x)\mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{B}_p + \mathbf{B}_a\mathbf{G}_a\mathbf{C}_u)\mathbf{u}_p + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{w} \quad (4)$$

Simplifying equation (4) results in:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}_p + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{w} \quad (5)$$

where $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}_a \mathbf{G}_a \mathbf{C}_x$
 $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}_p + \mathbf{B}_a \mathbf{G}_a \mathbf{C}_u$

2.2 Optimal Pilot-Model

Pilot modelling has been a topic of research for many years. Some of the earliest work in pilot modelling consisted of modelling the pilot as a linear servo-mechanism. In this type of model structure, the pilot's behavior is attributed to that of a linear controller, with a remnant term included to express the portion of pilot behavior which is not consistent with the linear operation on the inputs (ref. 3). Some of the work based on this model premise has consisted of describing the pilot's behavior in terms of an optimal controller and state estimator (refs. 4, 5, and 6). As described in these references, one form of pilot-model (fig. 2) that correlates well with experimental data is:

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}}_p = \mathbf{G}_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{G}_u \mathbf{u}_p + \mathbf{v}_m \quad (6)$$

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} = \mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{B}\hat{\mathbf{u}}_p + \mathbf{F}_x \mathbf{C}_p (\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}) + \mathbf{F}_x \mathbf{v}_p \quad (7)$$

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{u}}}_p = \mathbf{G}_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{G}_u \hat{\mathbf{u}}_p + \mathbf{F}_u \mathbf{C}_p (\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}) + \mathbf{F}_u \mathbf{v}_p \quad (8)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_p = \mathbf{C}_p \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{v}_p \quad (9)$$

where \mathbf{u}_p = pilot's control inputs
 \mathbf{y}_p = pilot's observations
 $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ = pilot's estimate of aircraft states
 $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_p$ = pilot's estimate of control positions
 \mathbf{v}_p = pilot's observation noise (a zero mean Gaussian white noise process of intensity \mathbf{V}_p ; $\mathbf{E}\{\mathbf{v}_p(t)\mathbf{v}_p^T(\tau)\} = \mathbf{V}_p\delta(t-\tau)$)
 \mathbf{v}_m = pilot's motor noise (a zero mean Gaussian white noise process with intensity \mathbf{V}_m ; $\mathbf{E}\{\mathbf{v}_m(t)\mathbf{v}_m^T(\tau)\} = \mathbf{V}_m\delta(t-\tau)$)

\mathbf{C}_p is a constant matrix defining the pilot's available observations, and \mathbf{G}_x , \mathbf{G}_u , \mathbf{F}_x , and \mathbf{F}_u are constant matrices describing the pilot's feedback compensation and loop closures.

Consistent with the optimal pilot-model, the pilot is assumed to control the aircraft in a manner which minimizes some objective function \mathbf{J}_p , expressible as:

$$\mathbf{J}_p = \mathbf{E} \left\{ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T [\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Q}_p \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}_p^T \mathbf{R}_1 \mathbf{u}_p + \dot{\mathbf{u}}_p^T \mathbf{R}_2 \dot{\mathbf{u}}_p] dt \right\} \quad (10)$$

From the necessary conditions for optimality for the regulator and filter, G_x , G_u , F_x , and F_u must satisfy the following equations:

$$G_p \equiv [G_x \ G_u] = -(R_2)^{-1} B_1^T K \quad (11)$$

$$0 = K A_1 + A_1^T K - K B_1 (R_2)^{-1} B_1^T K + Q_1 \quad (12)$$

$$F_p \equiv \begin{bmatrix} F_x \\ F_u \end{bmatrix} = P C_1^T (V_p)^{-1} \quad (13)$$

$$0 = P A_2^T + A_2 P - P C_1^T (V_p)^{-1} C_1 P + D_1 W_1 D_1^T \quad (14)$$

and where A_1 , A_2 , B_1 , C_1 , D_1 , Q_1 , and W_1 are defined as:

$$A_1 \equiv \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_2 \equiv \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & G_u \end{bmatrix} \quad B_1 \equiv [0 \ I] \quad C_1 \equiv [C_p \ 0]$$

$$D_1 \equiv \begin{bmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \quad Q_1 \equiv \begin{bmatrix} Q_p & 0 \\ 0 & R_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad W_1 \equiv \begin{bmatrix} W & 0 \\ 0 & V_m \end{bmatrix}$$

This pilot-model has been shown to correlate well with experimental results when Q_p is chosen to be representative of the pilot's task, and R_1 , R_2 , V_p , and V_m are adjusted to satisfy two conditions. The first condition is related to the human neuromuscular time constant and the matrix G_u . Considering initially a single-input, single-output case, the pilot control is of the form

$$\dot{u}_p = g_x \hat{x} + g_u u_p + v_m \quad (15)$$

where g_u could be considered to be the negative inverse of the human neuromuscular lag time constant, or:

$$\tau_n = -\frac{1}{g_u} \quad (16)$$

Experimental correlation (ref. 4) has put τ_n in the range of .10 to .25 sec. Extending this concept to the multi-input, multi-output case, it can be seen that the diagonal elements of the matrix G_u should be within the range of -4 to -10 to reflect the desired motor time constants. R_2 can be adjusted relative to Q_p to produce this result.

The second condition concerns the pilot remnant (ref. 3), or the relationship between pilot control output and pilot motor noise covariances, and pilot input and observation noise covariances. The work of Kleinman (ref. 5) shows that the following relationships lead to an appropriate representation of pilot remnant:

$$V_p = \pi \rho_u E\{y_p y_p^T\} \quad (17)$$

$$V_m = \pi \rho_i E\{G_x \hat{x} \hat{x}^T G_x^T\} \quad (18)$$

where $\rho_i = .01$ and $\rho_u = .003$. Values for V_p and V_m are chosen relative to W to satisfy these relationships.

2.3 Augmentation Control Solution (SCAS)

As was previously mentioned, the SCAS is assumed to have the form given in equations (2) and (3). When the pilot-model described in equations (6) through (9) is included, the total closed-loop aircraft-pilot system can be written in state space notation as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{x}} \\ \dot{\mathbf{u}}_p \\ \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} \\ \dot{\hat{\mathbf{u}}}_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B}_p & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{G}_u & \mathbf{G}_x & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{F}_x \mathbf{C}_p & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}_a \mathbf{G}_a \mathbf{C}_x - \mathbf{F}_x \mathbf{C}_p & \mathbf{B}_p + \mathbf{B}_a \mathbf{G}_a \mathbf{C}_u \\ \mathbf{F}_u \mathbf{C}_p & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{G}_x - \mathbf{F}_u \mathbf{C}_p & \mathbf{G}_u \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{u}_p \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{u}}_p \end{pmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_a \\ \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_a + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{D} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{F}_x \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{F}_u \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w} \\ \mathbf{v}_m \\ \mathbf{v}_p \end{pmatrix} \quad (19)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_a = [\mathbf{C}_x \quad \mathbf{C}_u \quad \mathbf{0} \quad \mathbf{0}] \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{u}_p \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{u}}_p \end{pmatrix} \quad (20)$$

The feedback gain matrix \mathbf{G}_a is chosen to minimize a controller objective function \mathbf{J}_a , defined as:

$$\mathbf{J}_a = \mathbf{E} \left\{ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T [\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Q}_a \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}_p^T \mathbf{F}_1 \mathbf{u}_p + \dot{\mathbf{u}}_p^T \mathbf{F}_2 \dot{\mathbf{u}}_p + \mathbf{u}_a^T \mathbf{F}_3 \mathbf{u}_a] dt \right\} \quad (21)$$

By defining $\mathbf{q}^T = [\mathbf{x}^T \quad \mathbf{u}_p^T \quad \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}_p^T]$, we can rewrite equations (19), (20), and (21) as:

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} = \bar{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{q} + \bar{\mathbf{B}}\mathbf{u}_a + \bar{\mathbf{D}}\bar{\mathbf{w}} \quad (22)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_a = \bar{\mathbf{C}}\mathbf{q} \quad (23)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_a = \mathbf{E} \left\{ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T [\mathbf{q}^T \bar{\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{u}_a^T \mathbf{F}_3 \mathbf{u}_a] dt \right\} \quad (24)$$

where $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$, $\bar{\mathbf{B}}$, $\bar{\mathbf{D}}$, and $\bar{\mathbf{C}}$ and $\bar{\mathbf{w}}$ are corresponding matrices in equations (19) and (20), and:

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_a & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{G}_u^T \mathbf{F}_2 \mathbf{G}_u & \mathbf{G}_u^T \mathbf{F}_2 \mathbf{G}_x & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{G}_x^T \mathbf{F}_2 \mathbf{G}_u & \mathbf{G}_x^T \mathbf{F}_2 \mathbf{G}_x & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

The minimizing solution \mathbf{u}_a is (ref. 7):

$$\mathbf{u}_a = \mathbf{G}_a \mathbf{y}_a \quad (25)$$

where \mathbf{G}_a satisfies the equations:

$$\mathbf{0} = 2\bar{\mathbf{B}}^T \mathbf{K} \bar{\mathbf{L}} \bar{\mathbf{C}}^T + 2\mathbf{F}_3 \mathbf{G}_a \bar{\mathbf{C}} \bar{\mathbf{L}} \bar{\mathbf{C}}^T \quad (26)$$

$$\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{L}(\bar{\mathbf{A}} + \bar{\mathbf{B}} \mathbf{G}_a \bar{\mathbf{C}})^T + (\bar{\mathbf{A}} + \bar{\mathbf{B}} \mathbf{G}_a \bar{\mathbf{C}}) \mathbf{L} + \bar{\mathbf{D}} \bar{\mathbf{w}} \bar{\mathbf{D}}^T \quad (27)$$

$$\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{K}(\bar{\mathbf{A}} + \bar{\mathbf{B}} \mathbf{G}_a \bar{\mathbf{C}}) + (\bar{\mathbf{A}} + \bar{\mathbf{B}} \mathbf{G}_a \bar{\mathbf{C}})^T \mathbf{K} + \bar{\mathbf{C}}^T \mathbf{G}_a^T \mathbf{F}_3 \mathbf{G}_a \bar{\mathbf{C}} + \bar{\mathbf{Q}} \quad (28)$$

$$\text{where } \bar{W} = \begin{bmatrix} W & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V_m & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & V_p \end{bmatrix}$$

Since no closed form solution exists for these equations, they must be solved in an iterative fashion.

The necessity of using output feedback rather than state feedback in the SCAS control solution can be seen by studying the equations for the optimal pilot-model (eqs. 6 - 8) and the SCAS (eqs. 22, 23, 25). The optimal pilot-model is basically a standard LQG (Linear Quadratic Gaussian) regulator and estimator, in which estimation of all the aircraft states is required for the model implementation. If the SCAS control was also based upon state feedback, it would require state estimation of both the aircraft states and the optimal pilot-model states. On the next design iteration, the optimal pilot-model would then require estimation of both the aircraft states and the controller states, the dimension of which has been increased due to the necessity of state estimation in the SCAS. This would produce an increase in the number of states on every design iteration. The problem is avoided through the use of output feedback in the SCAS design; no additional states are introduced by the SCAS, and the problem remains of fixed order.

2.4 CCS Design Variable Simplification

The design variables in the CCS methodology are Q_p , R_1 , R_2 , W , V_p , V_m , Q_a , F_1 , F_2 , and F_3 . Even when all of the matrices are considered to be symmetric, the application of CCS to an aircraft model with six degrees of freedom and four control effectors will yield 178 individual matrix elements to be specified. At first glance, this appears to be an unreasonably large number of variables to use the design method on any large-order problem. However, constraints imposed through use of the pilot-model and other logical choices in the design variables lead to a far more simplified choice of design variables. This section will describe the simplifications which were made.

The most direct source of simplification comes from matching parameters in the optimal pilot-model. As was previously noted, certain constraints must be met to apply the optimal pilot-model properly. The first constraint is related to the pilot neuromuscular time lag, τ_n , which has been experimentally determined to be within the range of .10 to .25 seconds. This can be achieved by adjusting the magnitude of the R_2 matrix relative to Q_p . The second constraint is related to the remnants of the pilot observations and control inputs; these constraints can be satisfied through selection of V_p and V_m relative to W . The last constraint from the pilot-model concerns the selection of the pilot state weighting matrix, Q_p . The optimal pilot-model is only valid when Q_p is chosen to reflect the task which the pilot is performing. The selection of Q_p will be discussed later; it should now be noted that the choice of design variables Q_p , R_1 , R_2 , V_p , and V_m are effectively replaced through the choice of the neuromuscular time constant τ_n , R_1 , and task description (or choice of Q_p).

Selection of the matrices Q_a , R_1 , W , F_1 , F_2 , and F_3 is also necessary. If we assume the main function of a SCAS is to reduce pilot workload with limited SCAS control activity, a logical choice of Q_a , F_1 , and F_2 is:

$$Q_a = Q_p \quad (29)$$

$$F_1 = R_1 \quad (30)$$

$$F_2 = R_2 \quad (31)$$

This choice of matrices leads to the following objective functions:

$$\mathbf{J}_p = \mathbf{E} \left\{ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T [\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Q}_p \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}_p^T \mathbf{R}_1 \mathbf{u}_p + \dot{\mathbf{u}}_p^T \mathbf{R}_2 \dot{\mathbf{u}}_p] dt \right\} \quad (32)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_a = \mathbf{J}_p + \mathbf{E} \left\{ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T [\mathbf{u}_a^T \mathbf{F}_3 \mathbf{u}_a] dt \right\} \quad (33)$$

As can be seen, with these choices of matrices, the aircraft objective function becomes the pilot objective function with an additional weighting term on the SCAS control activity.

With these design simplifications, the unspecified design variables become the matrices \mathbf{Q}_p , \mathbf{R}_1 , \mathbf{F}_3 , and \mathbf{W} , along with the neuromuscular time constant τ_n . To study the effects of \mathbf{R}_1 , \mathbf{W} , and τ_n , a thorough parametric study was made on the eighth-order helicopter model chosen for this application to determine the variation in control designs caused by variations in these parameters. The results indicate that the effect on the designs because of the parameter variations was minimal; therefore, \mathbf{W} and \mathbf{R}_1 were chosen to be identity matrices, and τ_n was kept in the vicinity of .15 sec in the subsequent design work.

These simplifications result in two final design matrices, \mathbf{Q}_p and \mathbf{F}_3 . As was previously mentioned, \mathbf{Q}_p is chosen in the pilot-model to reflect the task description. In this design situation, \mathbf{F}_3 was varied as necessary to prevent saturation of the aircraft controls over the anticipated flight envelope of the aircraft. If these design matrices are further specified to be diagonal, then the final number of design variables drops to 12 for the problem specified here.

2.5 Pseudoinverse Decoupling CCS Design Modification

Initial design work done with the previously described CCS design method indicated that although the method produced good on-axis responses, it also had a tendency to produce some undesirable off-axis responses as well. A modification to the design process was needed which would preserve the on-axis responses while removing the undesirable off-axis responses. Many methods of altering the control design structure aimed at decoupling the final design were tested, but none were successful. The basic problem encountered was that every attempt to penalize the undesirable coupling in the objective functions led to indefinite weighting matrices, \mathbf{Q}_p and \mathbf{F}_3 . The CCS design method requires that \mathbf{F}_3 be positive definite, and that \mathbf{Q}_p be positive definite or semidefinite.

Another method was developed (similar to one used in ref. 8) which consisted of defining the elements in the closed-loop aircraft and control matrices responsible for the undesired coupling present in the design. Additional feedback and feedforward gains \mathbf{G}_{fb} and \mathbf{G}_{ff} were produced by taking the pseudoinverse of each of the desired matrices. The equations are as follows:

$$\mathbf{A}_{desired} = \mathbf{A}_{actual} + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{G}_{fb} \quad (34)$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{desired} = \mathbf{B}_{actual} + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{G}_{ff} \quad (35)$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{fb} = \mathbf{B}^\dagger (\mathbf{A}_{desired} - \mathbf{A}_{actual}) \quad (36)$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{ff} = \mathbf{B}^\dagger (\mathbf{B}_{desired} - \mathbf{B}_{actual}) \quad (37)$$

where \mathbf{B}^\dagger is the pseudoinverse of \mathbf{B} , defined as:

$$\mathbf{B}^\dagger = (\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B})^{-1} \mathbf{B}^T \quad (38)$$

The modified SCAS design is then found by partitioning the SCAS control matrix G_a into feedback and feedforward components G_{xx} and G_{uu} , and combining them with the new gains obtained above:

$$G_a = [G_{xx} \quad G_{uu}] \quad (\text{unmodified CCS SCAS design}) \quad (39)$$

$$G_{\text{modified}} = [G_{xx} + G_{fb} \quad G_{uu} + G_{ff}] \quad (\text{modified CCS design}) \quad (40)$$

3. EXPERIMENT DESIGN

3.1 Simulation Vehicle/Model

The control-system design methodologies were applied to a linearized, 6 degree of freedom model of the Boeing Vertol CH-47 helicopter (ref. 9). The CH-47 was chosen because of interest in using a variable-stability CH-47 helicopter at NASA for eventual in-flight control-system design evaluations. The CH-47 is a tandem rotor helicopter with a maximum gross weight of 38000 lb, and is chiefly used as a transport-type aircraft (fig. 3). The trim data and linearized model used were for a 60 knot level-flight reference condition. The linear model is described in Appendix I, and



Figure 3 - CH-47 Helicopter

a summary of the open-loop eigenvalues is presented in table 1. The aircraft states of translational velocity (u, v, w) are expressed in ft/sec attitudes (ϕ and θ) in degrees, and angular rates (p, q, r) in deg/sec. These choices of units were made to provide some rough equivalence in the weightings between translational rates, angular rates, and attitudes. Control displacements are all measured in inches.

As can be seen from table 1, the open-loop dynamics of the CH-47 includes two unstable modes, the most unstable of which is real ($\lambda = .53$) and consists of large longitudinal velocity (u) and pitch (θ) variations. The second unstable mode is a complex pair ($\omega = .54, \zeta = -.16$) constituting a dutch-roll mode. Clearly, the basic aircraft is in need of some type of stability augmentation and is an excellent choice for design evaluation.

λ	ω_n	ζ	Principal Characteristics
.532	-	-	long. velocity and pitch
-.059	-	-	spiral
-1.31	-	-	roll
-2.36	-	-	heave-pitch
-	.54	-.16	dutch-roll
-	.36	.46	phugoid

Table 1 - OPEN-LOOP

3.2 Control-System Designs

The task chosen for this application was the execution of an Instrument Landing System (ILS) approach in the presence of a disturbance. The pilot task in this case can be described

as limiting perturbations about the trimmed state in the presence of an external disturbance, which for the design case was assumed to be a white noise input to the control effectors.

The following section describes the four design methods which were employed to design a SCAS for the CH-47 helicopter, and the resulting designs. The first two methods described are the unmodified and modified CCS methods, which will be respectively referred to as CCS1 and CCS2. The other two methods are Linear Quadratic Regulator (LQR) theory and classical/frequency-domain (FD) theory.

3.2.1 Unmodified CCS Design (CCS1)

In addition to Q_p and F_3 , the matrices B_a , W , C_p , C_x , and C_u have to be specified before applying the CCS design methodology. The following assumptions were made:

- 1) The pilot control input and aircraft input matrices are the same ($B_p = B_a = B$). This is a reasonable assumption since there are not any additional control effectors available for the SCAS design.
- 2) The aircraft disturbances were in the form of control input perturbations ($D = B$). In the parametric variations done during the simplification process, it was noted that the resulting designs were relatively insensitive to the choice of D .
- 3) Full state feedback was available for pilot observation ($C_p = I$). The availability of all the aircraft states for pilot observation is reasonable under instrument conditions.
- 4) All of the aircraft states and the pilot control inputs were available for feedback ($C_x^T = [I \ 0]$; $C_u^T = [0 \ I]$). This assumption was made in order to allow direct comparison with the LQR control (full state feedback).

As was indicated in the description of the CCS method, the pilot state covariance weighting matrix Q_p must be chosen to reflect the task being performed. In this case, Q_p was chosen to describe the execution of an ILS approach. Several iterations of choice were made, and evaluated by the author in piloted simulations until a Q_p matrix was found which seemed to adequately describe the task. In all of these control designs, the matrix F_3 was adjusted to prevent saturation of the controls within the expected range of flight conditions for the aircraft. Following is a description of the iterations on the choice of Q_p :

Design I - The first choice of Q_p was based on the philosophy that the main desire of the pilot in a regulation task is to stabilize the aircraft about the trim point, or maintain constant pitch (θ) and roll (ϕ) attitude while minimizing sideslip (β). Therefore, the first choice of Q_p was made with unity weighting on θ , ϕ , and β (equating to a weighting value of 0.328 on v covariance).

Design II - When Design I was evaluated in the simulator, several areas contributing to pilot workload were identified. Airspeed control was difficult, and workload in the lateral directional axes was high due to oscillatory responses in both roll and yaw. Weightings were therefore placed on the longitudinal speed u (.02), roll-rate p (0.5), and yaw-rate r (0.5) covariances in the second design iteration.

Design III - Although pilot workload was greatly reduced with Design II, oscillatory responses were still present in the pitch and roll axes. Also, a high degree of turn coordination (due to weighting on v) made small heading adjustments difficult to achieve. Therefore, on the next design iteration, a weighting of 0.5 was placed on the pitch-rate q , roll-rate r weighting was increased to 2.0, and v weighting was decreased to .25.

Final CCS1 Design - The design resulting from the weighting choices discussed above was considered to be a satisfactory control-system, since no very high workload areas could be isolated. This design was used for the final simulator evaluation with the other control designs. A listing of control gains is given in Appendix II, and the closed-loop eigenvalues are shown in table 2.

λ	ω_n	ζ	Principal Characteristics
.005	-	-	longitudinal velocity
-3.17	-	-	heave-pitch
-	.98	.59	dutch roll
-	.785	.78	heave-pitch
-	1.25	.96	roll

Table 2 - CCS1

3.2.2 Modified CCS Design (Pseudoinverse Method - CCS2)

One problem which was encountered with the CCS1 design method was the degree of coupling (longitudinal-to-lateral and longitudinal-to-vertical) present in the closed-loop design. Another control-system was designed using the pseudoinverse method described earlier in which some of the longitudinal-to-lateral and pitch-to-heave couplings were removed. The "desired" aircraft matrix was formed from the closed-loop matrix by removing all the pitch-rate/lateral coupling elements (M_{β} , M_p , M_{ϕ} , and M_r), and the pitch-rate due to heave (M_w) term. The "desired" control matrix was formed by removing the pitch-rate/collective coupling term M_{δ_e} . The resulting control design was used for evaluation in the piloted simulations, and will hereafter be referred to as CCS2. The resulting control gains are presented in Appendix II, and the closed-loop eigenvalues are shown in table 3.

λ	ω_n	ζ	Principal Characteristics
-.021	-	-	longitudinal velocity
-.547	-	-	heave
-1.57	-	-	heave-pitch
-2.18	-	-	heave-pitch
-	1.09	.61	dutch roll
-	1.15	.99	roll

Table 3 - CCS2

3.2.3 Linear Quadratic Regulator Design (LQR)

In addition to the previously described CCS designs, it was desired to compare with a design obtainable using standard LQR theory. The equations used in the formulation of the LQR design follow.

The aircraft dynamics are expressed as:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{Ax} + \mathbf{Bu} \quad (41)$$

If full state feedback is assumed, the control which minimizes the objective function J is found by solving the following equations:

$$0 = \mathbf{AK}^T + \mathbf{KA} - \mathbf{KBR}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^T\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{Q} \quad (42)$$

$$\mathbf{G} = -\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^T\mathbf{K} \quad (43)$$

$$J = \mathbf{E} \left\{ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T [\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{R} \mathbf{u}] dt \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{Gx} \quad (44)$$

where Q and R are weighting matrices on the state and control covariances, respectively. The LQR theory was applied in a similar manner to the CCS, in that several iterations of weighting matrices were tested in piloted simulation by the author. In the first iteration, the weighting matrices Q and R were chosen to be the matrices obtained in the CCS1 design, Q_p and F_3 . This choice was unsatisfactory due to saturation of all

λ	ω_n	ζ	Principal Characteristics
-.03	-	-	longitudinal velocity
-2.11	-	-	heave-pitch
-	.99	.75	heave-pitch
-	1.79	.56	dutch roll
-	1.37	.95	roll

Table 4 - LQR

the controls, and several adjustments were made until a satisfactory design was achieved. The final LQR design was tested along with the CCS1 and CCS2 designs. The control gains are given in Appendix II, and the closed-loop eigenvalues are shown in table 4.

3.2.4 Classical/Frequency-Domain Design (FD)

A control-system was designed by the author of reference 10, using *a priori* knowledge of desirable characteristics for the defined task. The control gains for this design are shown in Appendix II, and the closed-loop eigenvalues are shown in table 5.

λ	ω_n	ζ	Principal Characteristics
-.014	-	-	longitudinal velocity
-.57	-	-	heave
-	1.61	.57	dutch roll
-	2.0	.87	roll
-	2.0	.92	heave-pitch

Table 5 - FD

4. SIMULATION EXPERIMENT

A piloted, fixed-base simulation was conducted on a NASA Ames simulator, using a full, nonlinear model of the CH-47 helicopter, developed by Boeing-Vertol (ref. 9). The simulation facility and evaluation tasks are described in the following sections.

4.1 Simulation Facility

The experiment was performed on the Chair 6 fixed-base simulator at NASA Ames Research Center. This simulator consisted of a single-seat cockpit cab equipped with conventional helicopter controls, and a typical instrument panel (fig. 4). A 600:1-scale terrain board and camera visual system were presented through the cab window on a color television monitor. The terrain board is shown in figure 5. The simulation was also set up with an ILS approach (with a six-degree glideslope) to one of the runways. Outer and middle markers and fog were also available. A more detailed description of the ILS approach is presented reference 11. A turbulence model was used to simulate the effects of turbulence when desired during the simulation, and is further described in reference 12.

The cockpit instrumentation consisted of a horizontal situation indicator (HSI), attitude director indicator (ADI), instantaneous vertical speed indicator (IVSI), and instruments to indicate turn and slip, airspeed, altitude (both barometric and radar), heading, and torque. Glideslope and localizer information were presented on both the ADI and HSI, and lights were provided to indicate passage over the outer and middle markers.

4.2 Evaluation Tasks

In addition to the ILS task, the control-systems were also evaluated in two other tasks. The reason for doing this was to determine the overall "robustness" of the controllers to



Figure 4 - Simulator Cockpit

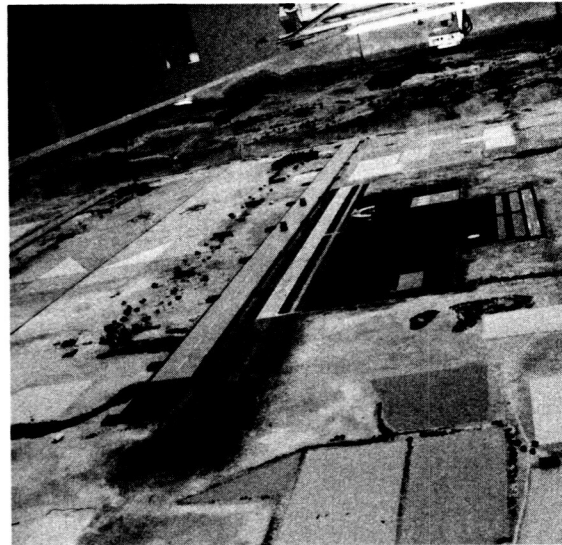


Figure 5 - Terrain Board

varying flight conditions and tasks. Since both the LQR and CCS controllers were designed to prevent control saturation from occurring within the flight envelope, it was a reasonable to evaluate the controller designs over a wide range of tasks. The evaluation tasks are described in more detail below.

Instrument Landing System (ILS) Task (figure 6a) - The ILS approach was the task for which the control-system was expressly designed. The approach began in a procedure turn to establish inbound localizer tracking at a 1000-ft altitude.

After intercepting a 6-degree glideslope, the pilot tracked the localizer and glideslope down to a 100-ft altitude missed-approach point. A missed-approach procedure was executed, consisting of a climbing left turn to establish out-

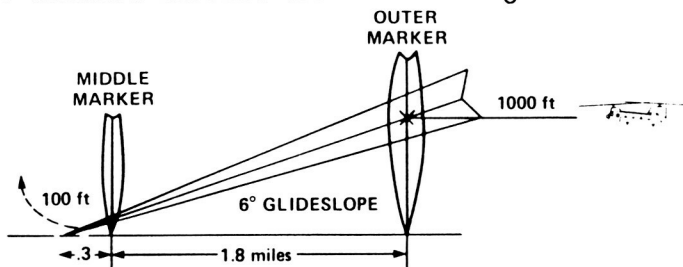


Figure 6a - ILS Approach Task

bound tracking on the localizer course. The maneuver ended when the pilot had intercepted the outbound localizer course. The localizer sensitivity was set at 1.4 degrees for full needle deflection, glideslope at 0.7 degrees full deflection. The desired performance consisted of localizer and glideslope within one-half full deflection when intercepted. At other times (procedure turn, missed approach) desired performance was: altitude control ± 100 ft, heading ± 5 degrees, and standard rate turns (3 deg/sec) $\pm 1/2$ needle deflection. Airspeed control of 60 ± 5 knots was expected throughout the maneuver. This task was performed entirely under instrument meteorological conditions (IMC).

Slalom Task (figure 6b) - The purpose of the slalom task was to expose the lateral-directional characteristics of the aircraft. The pilot was instructed to fly between the markers on a runway. The desired performance criterion consisted of ground path control within 10 ft, altitude at 30 ± 10 ft, and airspeed 60 ± 5 knots. This task was performed entirely under visual meteorological conditions (VMC).

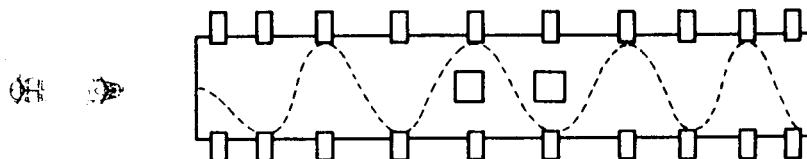


Figure 6b - Slalom Task

Nap-of-the-Earth (NOE) Task (figure 6c) - The purpose of the NOE task was to expose the longitudinal characteristics of the aircraft. The pilot was instructed to fly at a constant heading over a series of 50-ft berms. Desired performance consisted of heading control ± 10 degrees, altitude 20 ± 10 ft except over the berms (minimizing exposure over berms), and airspeed 60 ± 5 knots. This was also performed under VMC.



Figure 6c - Nap-of-the-Earth Task

In all of these tasks, adequate performance was defined by doubling the desired performance tolerances. Based on these desired and adequate performance measures, the pilot was asked to make comments about each configuration and assign a Cooper-Harper handling qualities rating (ref. 13). The Cooper-Harper rating scale is shown in figure 7. In addition to pilot ratings and comments, time histories of control positions, controller activity, and aircraft parameters were made on each run. After sufficient practice on each configuration, the pilot was asked to fly two attempts (with a pilot option for a third) before making comments and assigning a rating.

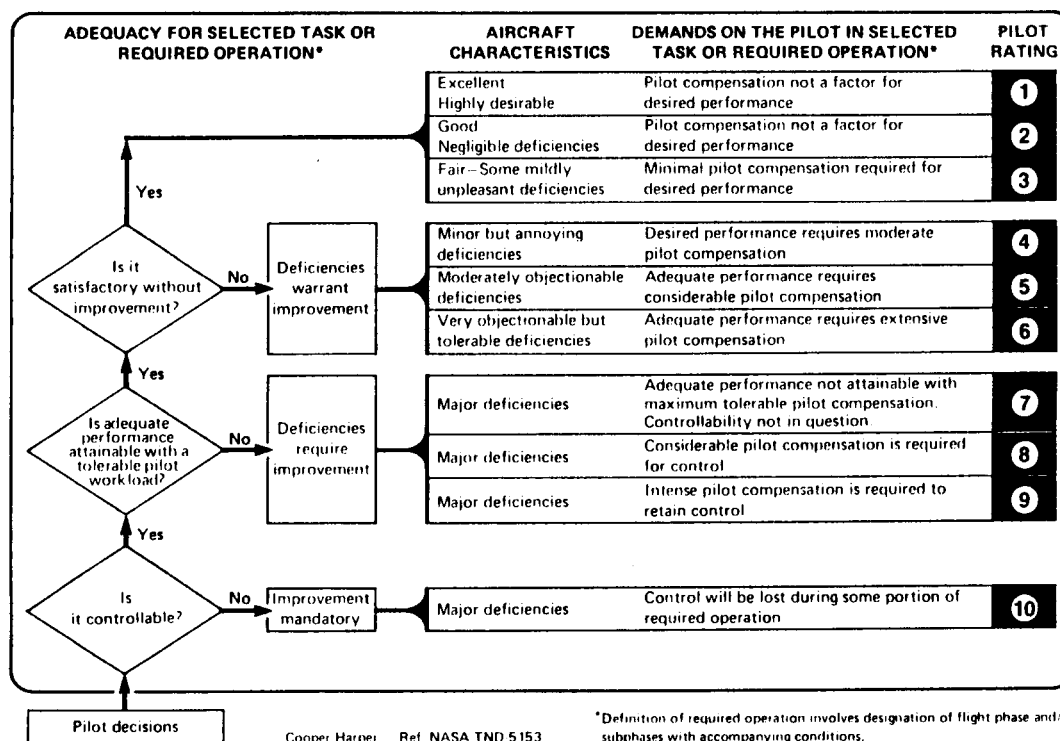


Figure 7 - Cooper-Harper Handling Qualities Rating Scale

5. RESULTS

The evaluation maneuvers were all flown by a NASA research test pilot. A summary of the Cooper-Harper pilot ratings is presented in table 6.

Augmentation Type	TASK			
	NOE	Slalom	ILS w/o turb	ILS with turb
OPEN-LOOP	5	6	8	*
CCS1	3	4	3	4
CCS2	3	3	2.5	3
LQR	3	3	3	5
FD	3	3	3	2

Table 6.

The first point to note is that the open-loop aircraft clearly has poor handling qualities, and that some type of SCAS is indeed necessary. The second item of interest is that, overall, the handling quality ratings for all of the control-systems are surprisingly similar. However, the pilot comments and ratings expose some noticeable differences when comparing with the baseline FD controller.

The FD control produced satisfactory handling quality ratings; the pilot commented that it was easy to fly, and had excellent attitude and altitude control.

In comparison, the LQR control was also satisfactory until it was evaluated on the ILS task with turbulence, in which the performance was degraded to adequate. The pilot commented that, overall, the response was somewhat sluggish although fairly predictable. The

differences in the two systems can be seen by looking at some representative time responses. Time history responses of pitch attitude to longitudinal cyclic input and bank angle to lateral cyclic input for both the FD and LQR controllers are shown in figure 8.

As can be seen, the roll attitude to lateral cyclic responses of the two controllers are nearly identical. However, the pitch attitude responses to longitudinal cyclic are clearly different. The FD control exhibited a fairly constant steady-state response to a step input, while the LQR control response tended to wash out over time. Although this was apparently not a problem in the first three evaluation tasks, the pilot did not find it to be satisfactory for the ILS task when subjected to an external disturbance.

Like the LQR controller, the CCS1 controller received ratings in the range of satisfactory to adequate, depending on the task. Performance on both the NOE and ILS without turbulence was considered to be satisfactory, while the performance on the slalom and ILS with turbulence was only adequate. The difference in the two controllers characteristics are again evident in the time histories. The plots presented in figure 9 show the response of pitch attitude to both longitudinal cyclic and lateral cyclic inputs for the FD and CCS1 designs.

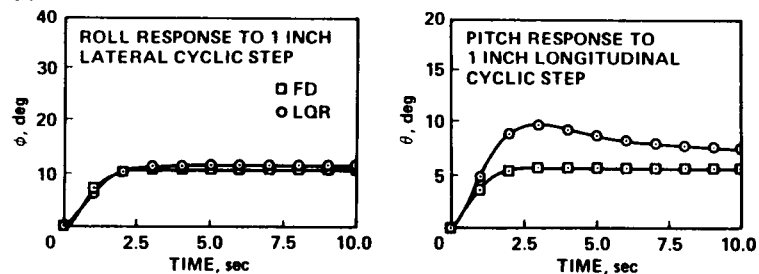


Figure 8 - Time Histories of FD and LQR Controllers

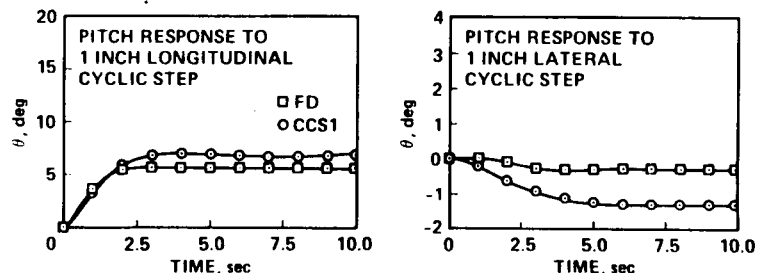


Figure 9 - Time Histories of FD and CCS1 Controllers

While the on-axis longitudinal response (pitch attitude to longitudinal cyclic) is similar, a large off-axis (pitch attitude to lateral cyclic) response is apparent in the CCS1 design. This characteristic makes the slalom task difficult to perform, since the helicopter pitches up and down with lateral stick inputs. This was substantiated by pilot comments on poor airspeed and altitude control. This off-axis response would also have been excited by the turbulence in the ILS task, accounting for the poor rating in that task. Although other off-axis effects were apparent with this controller, the most predominant was the one described above.

The modified CCS design (CCS2) received comparable pilot ratings to the FD design in all of the evaluation tasks, and similar pilot comments. One comment the pilot made specifically about the CCS2 design was that it appeared to have better disturbance rejection capabilities than other designs when flown in turbulence. The similarity of ratings and comments is not surprising when looking at the time histories of the two controllers; a representative sample is presented in figure 10. What is interesting to note is that the time histories and closed-loop

modes are so similar, considering they were derived using two completely different methods. The most major difference in the modal characteristics of the two control-systems is that the FD has a complex pitch mode ($\omega = 2.0$, $\zeta = .92$), while CCS2 has a pair of real roots ($\lambda = -1.6$ and -2.2) with the same basic mode shape. The other modes are nearly identical. The similarities in both the time responses and modal characteristics is even more surprising when the feedback and feedforward gains of the controllers are compared - they are noticeably different. The great similarity in the responses and characteristics of the two controllers lends a high degree of validation to the CCS design process. The modified CCS design process yielded a control very similar to the one created with existing, known design methods.

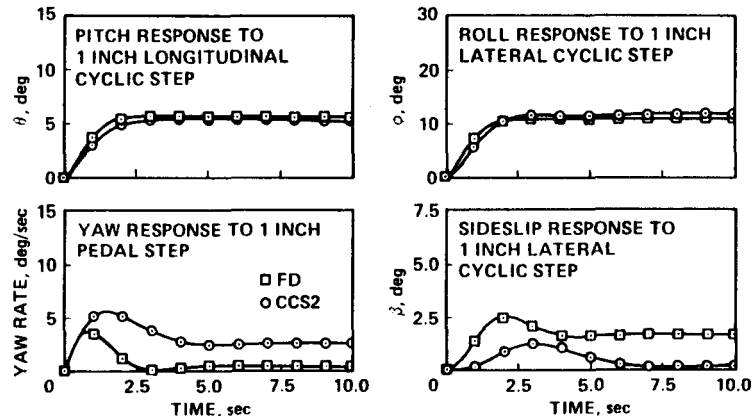


Figure 10 - Time Histories of FD and CCS2 Controllers

The most major difference in the modal characteristics of the two control-systems is that the FD has a complex pitch mode ($\omega = 2.0$, $\zeta = .92$), while CCS2 has a pair of real roots ($\lambda = -1.6$ and -2.2) with the same basic mode shape. The other modes are nearly identical. The similarities in both the time responses and modal characteristics is even more surprising when the feedback and feedforward gains of the controllers are compared - they are noticeably different. The great similarity in the responses and characteristics of the two controllers lends a high degree of validation to the CCS design process. The modified CCS design process yielded a control very similar to the one created with existing, known design methods.

CONCLUSIONS

The results of this experiment established the general validity of the CCS design process. With slight modifications to the CCS design process, satisfactory handling qualities were achieved, and a design comparable to accepted frequency-domain methods and better than basic LQR methods was obtained in the absence of detailed *a priori* design criteria. Demonstrated advantages of the modified CCS design method include:

- 1) Elimination of detailed *a priori* design criteria through use of pilot modelling
- 2) Simple design method and control structure
- 3) Easily achieved decoupling
- 4) Ease of handling high-order models

The CCS design method can be applied to very high order models for which traditional design methods become difficult to use, such as models with aeroelastic modes or rotor states. As such, it is well suited for multiple controller designs, such as simultaneous designs

of SCAS and engine controllers, which could become a very practical usage since current trends indicate a future emphasis on total integration of aircraft control-systems (instead of the current method of autonomous designs).

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APPENDIX I

CH-47 Linear Model

The linearized equations are expressed in state-space form as $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$

All parameters are in body-fixed coordinates.

Velocities are expressed in ft/sec, angular rates in deg/sec, and angles in degrees.

$$x \equiv \begin{Bmatrix} u \\ w \\ q \\ \theta \\ v \\ p \\ \phi \\ r \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \text{longitudinal velocity} \\ \text{vertical velocity} \\ \text{pitch-rate} \\ \text{pitch attitude} \\ \text{lateral velocity} \\ \text{roll-rate} \\ \text{bank angle} \\ \text{yaw-rate} \end{Bmatrix} \quad u \equiv \begin{Bmatrix} \delta_e \\ \delta_a \\ \delta_c \\ \delta_r \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \text{longitudinal cyclic} \\ \text{lateral cyclic} \\ \text{collective} \\ \text{pedal} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -0.009 & 0.034 & 0.046 & -0.561 & 0.001 & 0.000 & 0.000 & -0.001 \\ -0.076 & -0.564 & 1.757 & -0.029 & 0.002 & -0.001 & 0.002 & -0.003 \\ -0.416 & 0.831 & -1.582 & 0.000 & -0.074 & 0.020 & 0.000 & -0.274 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 1.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.004 \\ -0.001 & 0.004 & -0.002 & 0.000 & -0.072 & -0.035 & 0.561 & -1.773 \\ -0.039 & 0.113 & -0.092 & 0.000 & -0.532 & -1.058 & 0.000 & -0.121 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 1.000 & 0.000 & 0.052 \\ 0.013 & -0.009 & -0.057 & 0.000 & 0.001 & -0.087 & 0.000 & -0.073 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0.048 & 0.000 & 0.328 & 0.000 \\ 0.843 & 0.000 & -8.151 & 0.000 \\ 23.597 & 0.001 & 13.394 & 0.006 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \\ 0.941 & 1.085 & 0.063 & -0.044 \\ 1.975 & 29.036 & 0.011 & -3.430 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \\ 1.824 & 2.626 & 0.262 & 10.692 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Trim Condition: } \begin{Bmatrix} U_0 \\ W_0 \\ Q_0 \\ \Theta_0 \\ V_0 \\ P_0 \\ \Phi_0 \\ R_0 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 100.26 & \text{ft/sec} \\ 5.18 & \text{ft/sec} \\ 0.0 & \text{deg/sec} \\ 2.96 & \text{degrees} \\ 0.0 & \text{ft/sec} \\ 0.0 & \text{deg/sec} \\ -0.244 & \text{degrees} \\ 0.0 & \text{deg/sec} \end{Bmatrix} \quad \begin{Bmatrix} \delta_{e0} \\ \delta_{a0} \\ \delta_{c0} \\ \delta_{r0} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} -1.82 & \text{in.} \\ .197 & \text{in.} \\ 4.745 & \text{in.} \\ .259 & \text{in.} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Maximum Control Deflections: } \begin{Bmatrix} \delta_{emax} \\ \delta_{amax} \\ \delta_{cmax} \\ \delta_{rmax} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \pm 6.5 & \text{in.} \\ \pm 4.18 & \text{in.} \\ 0 - 9.12 & \text{in.} \\ \pm 3.6 & \text{in.} \end{Bmatrix}$$

APPENDIX II

Control-System Gains

Control Law: $u = G_{fb}x + G_{ff}u_p$

CCS1

$$G_{fb} = \begin{bmatrix} .016 & -.006 & -.077 & -.122 & .006 & -.005 & -.005 & -.018 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & .002 & .002 & -.003 & -.046 & -.068 & -.011 \\ .006 & -.002 & -.026 & -.042 & 0.0 & .001 & .002 & .002 \\ 0.0 & .001 & .003 & .004 & .028 & .009 & .020 & -.091 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G_{ff} = \begin{bmatrix} .836 & -.011 & -.087 & -.010 \\ -.005 & .866 & -.029 & .004 \\ -.05 & .006 & .972 & .004 \\ -.005 & .006 & .005 & .889 \end{bmatrix}$$

CCS2

$$G_{fb} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.016 & -.033 & -.077 & -.122 & .004 & -.002 & -.001 & .009 \\ 0.000 & 0.002 & 0.002 & 0.002 & -.002 & -.046 & -.069 & -.013 \\ .006 & -.005 & -.026 & -.042 & -.001 & .001 & .002 & .005 \\ -.001 & .005 & .003 & .004 & .029 & .008 & .019 & -.095 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G_{ff} = \begin{bmatrix} .836 & -.011 & -.526 & -.010 \\ -.006 & .866 & .042 & 0.007 \\ -.051 & .006 & .926 & .004 \\ -.005 & .006 & .072 & .888 \end{bmatrix}$$

LQR

$$G_{fb} = \begin{bmatrix} .032 & -.031 & -.072 & -.126 & .004 & 0.0 & .002 & .006 \\ 0.0 & -.002 & 0.0 & 0.0 & -.036 & -.051 & -.096 & .062 \\ -.023 & .023 & .033 & .032 & -.006 & 0.0 & -.001 & -.001 \\ -.002 & .002 & .004 & .002 & .116 & .011 & .038 & -.188 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G_{ff} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \end{bmatrix}$$

FD

$$G_{fb} = \begin{bmatrix} .018 & -.036 & -.087 & -.175 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.020 & -.087 & -.140 & -.015 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.121 & 0.000 & 0.051 & -.159 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G_{ff} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.000 & 0.000 & -.568 & 0.000 \\ 0.000 & 1.540 & 0.000 & .114 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 1.000 & 0.000 \\ 0.000 & -.378 & 0.000 & 1.030 \end{bmatrix}$$

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