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Robust Feedback Linearization Control Design for Five-Link Human Biped Robot with Multi-Performances

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Abstract: The study first proposes the difficult nonlinear convergent radius and convergent rate formulas and the complete derivations of a mathematical model for the nonlinear five-link human biped robot (FLHBR) system which has been a challenge for engineers in recent decades. The proposed theorem simultaneously has very distinctive superior advantages including the stringent almost disturbance decoupling feature that addresses the major deficiencies of the traditional singular perturbation approach without annoying “complete” conditions for the discriminant function and the global exponential stability feature without solving the impractical Hamilton–Jacobi equation for the traditional H-infinity technique. This article applies the feedback linearization technique to globally stabilize the FLHBR system that greatly improved those shortcomings of nonlinear function approximator and make the effective working range be global for whole state space, whereas the traditional Jacobian linearization technique is valid only for areas near the equilibrium point. In order to make some comparisons with traditional approaches, first example of the representative ones, that cannot be addressed well for the pioneer paper, is shown to demonstrate the fact that the effectiveness of the proposed main theorem is better than the traditional singular perturbation technique. Finally, we execute a second simulation example to compare the proposed approach with the traditional PID approach. The simulation results show that the transient behaviors of the proposed approach including the peak time, the rise time, the settling time and the maximum overshoot specifications are better than the traditional PID approach.

Keywords: five-link human biped robot; feedback linearization technique; almost disturbance decoupling performance; human-machine interface; nonlinear convergence radius



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1. Introduction

Nowadays, for many industrial and medical applications, the five-link human biped robot (FLHBR) has become an interesting and significant topic for many researchers [1–5]. The important research of FLHBR systems is to design and manufacture more efficient artificial limbs with good driving abilities for handicapped patients and implement devices to perform difficult tasks in hazardous environments or onerous reiterative works [6,7]. Investigations of dynamic modeling and robust control for FLHBR system have recently attracted increased attention due to their higher mobility than traditional wheeled robots. Although wheeled vehicles are very popular, they suffer from many limitations which destroy their efficiency. For instance, they can only reliably move in some special limited types of terrain. In contrast, FLHBR systems give great flexibility in selecting the type of the proceeded terrain [6,7]. The FLHBR system has many theoretical and practical limitations including nonlinear dynamics, inherent instability and robust control in a given time. Controlling the global stability of FLHBR systems during walking is a difficult issue. Several widely used effective control methods have been proposed in the literature to

address the global stability, dynamic model and robust control of FLHBR systems such as the proportional-integral-derivative (PID) control [8], the model predictive control [3], the adaptive control [5,9] and the sliding mode control [6,10]. The PID control method requires to transform the original, highly nonlinear model of the FLHBR system into an empirically “linearized” model which inevitably limits the locomotion mobility. By assuming small body angular velocity, which is effective for certain FLHBR systems, the centroidal dynamics can be “linearized” and utilized in a model predictive control fashion that works only in areas near the equilibrium point [3,11]. Recently, researches on adaptive control have focused on FLHBR control tasks to solve real-life applications [4]. However, the adaptive control is largely limited due to the complex updating rule. A sliding mode control with appealing robust performance is proposed to track pre-specified gait trajectories for the FLHBR system while climbing stairs [6]. However, the inevitable chattering phenomenon limits the locomotion stability of the FLHBR system.

For the locomotion tracking control of the FLHBR system, both the disturbance rejection ability and the global stability performance need to be simultaneously achieved [12], and then some effective methods have been widely applied such as the model predictive control [3], the deep reinforcement learning [4], and backstepping control [13]. Nevertheless, the aforementioned controls applied the Jacobian linearization technique to obtain the linearized model of the nonlinear FLHBR system which is only effective in areas near the equilibrium point. To well address the severe limitation of FLHBR systems, many researches apply function approximators to solve it, such as the neural network technique [4,14] and the fuzzy logic technique [15,16]. The neural network technique for robust controlling FLHBR systems has outstanding advantages and features [4]. However, it has the following inevitably impractical limitations: (1) the interconnected neural network rules are complex; (2) the neural network technique is a supervised learning technique and requires many sampling points; (3) the necessary input variable of the FLHBR system is built only by current states of neural network. The fuzzy logic technique is mainly limited by the fact that the fuzzy rules are constructed by the experience of many experts accumulated in the past [16]. Motivated by the above analysis and investigation, the robust locomotion control of the FLHBR system is still a challenging issue for the disturbance rejection ability and global stability performance. In this paper, we first apply a feedback linearization technique to well address above limitations with multi-performances including the almost disturbance rejection performance, the global stability, adjustable convergence rate and convergence radius. Recently, the feedback linearization technique has attracted many researches such as the autonomous arm [17], the swash mass helicopter [18], the wheeled inverted pendulum mobile robot [19], the bending soft pneumatic actuators [20], the cascaded power electronic transformer [21] and the grid-tied synchronverter [22].

Practical industrial systems are always corrupted by different types of unknown disturbances, and one important issue in robust controller design is to attenuate their influence on the output terminal as much as possible, since it is difficult to realize exact disturbance decoupling. When “exact” disturbance decoupling performance fails, it is natural to investigate the almost disturbance decoupling performance, which is to design a robust control that attenuates the influence of the unknown disturbance on the output terminal up to an arbitrary degree. Stricter definition of almost disturbance decoupling performance with simultaneous absolute-value sense, integration-value sense and input-to-state stable sense had been exploited in [23–25]. However, refs. [23,24] have shown the fact that some specific control systems cannot achieve the almost disturbance decoupling performance subject to one sufficient condition that the discriminant functions should possess a “complete” condition such as the following control system: $\dot{x}_{se,1}(t) = \tan^{-1}(x_{se,2}) + \Omega_n(t)$, $\dot{x}_{se,2}(t) = u_{ip}$, $y_{op,1} = x_{se,1} \equiv u_{op,1}$, where Ω_n , u_{ip} and $u_{op,1}$ denote the unknown disturbance, input and output, respectively. In contrast, this article applies the feedback linearization approach to address the almost disturbance decoupling performance for FLHBR systems. Finally, we perform a simulation by the traditional PID control in the simulation section to exploit the fact that the transient dynamics of the proposed feedback linearization approach such as

the peak time, the rise time, the settling time and the maximum overshoot specifications is better than the traditional PID approach.

The main contributions of the proposed approach in this study are summarized as follows:

- (1) The study first proposes the complete derivations of a mathematical model for highly nonlinear FLHBR systems.
- (2) This article first gives the formulas of exponential convergent rate and convergent radius for the FLHBR system.
- (3) The FLHBR system is addressed well by using the feedback linearization technique to take the place of traditional singular perturbation technique without the limitation that the discriminant function requires a complete condition [23,24].
- (4) The exponential stability of FLHBR systems is guaranteed in this study without solving the troublesome Hamilton–Jacobi equation which is critical work for the traditional H-infinity approach [26].
- (5) The article proposes a one-controller design of FLHBR systems to improve the severe shortcomings of traditional function approximators such as the fuzzy control approach and neural network control approach without relying on the experience of many experts accumulated in the past and complex interconnected neural network rules, respectively.
- (6) The proposed stability theorem of FLHBR systems in this article is global for whole state space and takes the place of the traditional Jacobian linearization technique that is only local for areas near the equilibrium point [27].
- (7) This article designs a powerful human–machine interface of robust controller design for FLHBR systems using Python and dynamically shows the convergent trajectory of the system states.

2. Complete Mathematical Model of the FLHBR System

Based on the FLHBR system considered in this study, the FLHBR kinematic model is completely derived via the Lagrange equation that mainly investigates the energy analysis. The schematic diagram of the FLHBR is shown in Figure 1 and the Lagrange equation is written by

$$L_a = E_{kinetic} - E_{potential} \quad (1)$$

and

$$\tau_i = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L_a}{\partial \dot{\theta}_i} \right) - \left(\frac{\partial L_a}{\partial \theta_i} \right), i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \quad (2)$$

where $E_{kinetic}$ denotes the kinetic energy of the FLHBR system; $E_{potential}$ is the potential energy of the FLHBR system; L_a denotes the Lagrange function of the FLHBR system; $\tau_i, i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ is the i -joint torque; $\theta_i, i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ denotes the angle of link1~link5; $\dot{\theta}_i, i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ is the velocity of link1~link5, $M_1 = M_5 = 4.55$ kg, $M_2 = M_4 = 7.63$ kg, $M_3 = 49.00$ kg are the masses of link1~link5, M_2, M_4 denote the masses of exoskeleton thighs, M_1, M_5 denote the masses of legs, M_3 denotes the mass of torso, $L_1 = L_5 = 0.502$ m, $L_2 = L_4 = 0.431$ m are the lengths of link1, 2, 4, 5, $D_1 = D_5 = 0.247$ m, $D_2 = D_4 = 0.247$ m, $D_3 = 0.280$ m are the distances between the mass centers of link1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and those lower joint, $I_1 = I_5 = 0.105$ kg·m², $I_2 = I_4 = 0.089$ kg·m², $I_3 = 2.350$ kg·m² are the moments of rotational inertias for link1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and $G = 9.8$ m/s² is the acceleration of gravity.

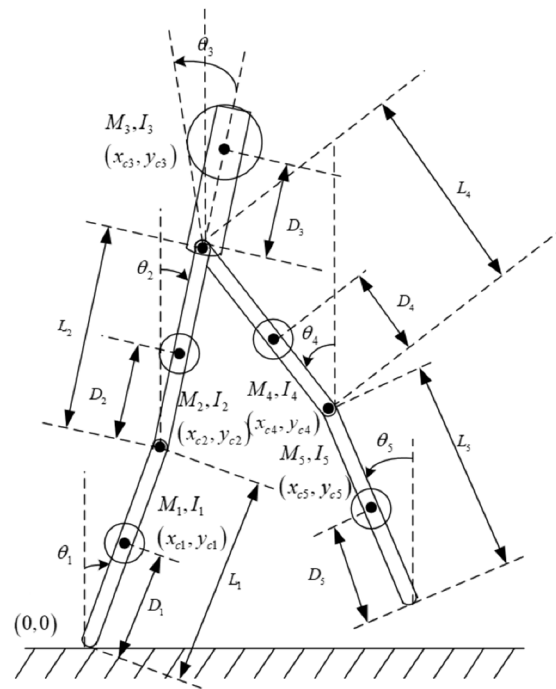


Figure 1. The schematic diagram of a five-link human biped robot.

Define the input, output, state, noise and matched uncertainty variables of the FLHBR to be $\vec{u}_{ip} \equiv [\tau_1 \ \cdots \ \tau_5]^T = [u_{ip_1} \ \cdots \ u_{ip_5}]^T$, $\vec{u}_{op} \equiv [\theta_1 \ \cdots \ \theta_5]^T$, $\vec{x}_{se} \equiv [x_{se_1} \ \cdots \ x_{se_{10}}]^T$, $x_{se_1} = \theta_1$, $x_{se_2} = \dot{\theta}_1$, $x_{se_3} = \theta_2$, $x_{se_4} = \dot{\theta}_2$, $x_{se_5} = \theta_3$, $x_{se_6} = \dot{\theta}_3$, $x_{se_7} = \theta_4$, $x_{se_8} = \dot{\theta}_4$, $x_{se_9} = \theta_5$, $x_{se_{10}} = \dot{\theta}_5$, $\sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* \Omega_{n_j}$, $\sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* \Omega_{un_j}$.

The complete derivations of mathematical dynamical model and the related definitions of variables D_{ij} , H_i , h_{ij} , G_i , $1 \leq i, j \leq 5$ are shown in Appendix A. Then the dynamic equation of the FLHBR system can be derived as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_{se_1} & \cdots & \dot{x}_{se_{10}} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 & \cdots & f_{10} \end{bmatrix}^T + \vec{g}_{uip_1} u_{ip_1} + \vec{g}_{uip_2} u_{ip_2} + \vec{g}_{uip_3} u_{ip_3} + \vec{g}_{uip_4} u_{ip_4} + \vec{g}_{uip_5} u_{ip_5} + \sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* \Omega_{n_j} + \sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* \Omega_{un_j} \quad (3)$$

$$u_{op_1} = x_{se_1} = \theta_1 \quad (4)$$

$$u_{op_2} = x_{se_3} = \theta_2 \quad (5)$$

$$u_{op_3} = x_{se_5} = \theta_3 \quad (6)$$

$$u_{op_4} = x_{se_7} = \theta_4 \quad (7)$$

$$u_{op_5} = x_{se_9} = \theta_5 \quad (8)$$

where

$$f_1 \equiv x_{se_2} \quad (9)$$

$$f_2 \equiv (DI_{11})(-H_1 - G_1) + (DI_{12})(-H_2 - G_2) + (DI_{13})(-H_3 - G_3) + (DI_{14})(-H_4 - G_4) + (DI_{15})(-H_5 - G_5) \quad (10)$$

$$f_3 \equiv x_{se_4} \quad (11)$$

$$f_4 \equiv (DI_{21})(-H_1 - G_1) + (DI_{22})(-H_2 - G_2) + (DI_{23})(-H_3 - G_3) + (DI_{24})(-H_4 - G_4) + (DI_{25})(-H_5 - G_5) \quad (12)$$

$$f_5 \equiv x_{se_6} \quad (13)$$

$$f_6 = (DI_{31})(-H_1 - G_1) + (DI_{32})(-H_2 - G_2) + (DI_{33})(-H_3 - G_3) + (DI_{34})(-H_4 - G_4) + (DI_{35})(-H_5 - G_5) \quad (14)$$

$$f_7 \equiv x_{se_8} \quad (15)$$

$$f_8 = (DI_{41})(-H_1 - G_1) + (DI_{42})(-H_2 - G_2) + (DI_{43})(-H_3 - G_3) + (DI_{44})(-H_4 - G_4) + (DI_{45})(-H_5 - G_5) \quad (16)$$

$$f_9 \equiv x_{se_10} \quad (17)$$

$$f_{10} = (DI_{51})(-H_1 - G_1) + (DI_{52})(-H_2 - G_2) + (DI_{53})(-H_3 - G_3) + (DI_{54})(-H_4 - G_4) + (DI_{55})(-H_5 - G_5) \quad (18)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DETD} = & (D_{33}D_{12}^2D_{45}^2 - D_{33}D_{44}D_{55}D_{12}^2 - 2D_{12}D_{13}D_{23}D_{45}^2 + 2D_{44}D_{55}D_{12}D_{13}D_{23} \\ & + 2D_{33}D_{55}D_{12}D_{14}D_{24} - 2D_{33}D_{12}D_{14}D_{25}D_{45} - 2D_{33}D_{12}D_{15}D_{24} \\ & D_{45} + 2D_{33}D_{44}D_{12}D_{15}D_{25} + D_{55}D_{13}^2D_{24}^2 - 2D_{13}^2D_{24}D_{25}D_{45} + D_{44}D_{13}^2D_{25}^2 \\ & + D_{22}D_{13}^2D_{45}^2 - D_{22}D_{44}D_{55}D_{13}^2 - 2D_{55}D_{13}D_{14}D_{23}D_{24} + 2D_{13}D_{14}D_{23}D_{25} \\ & D_{45} + 2D_{13}D_{15}D_{23}D_{24}D_{45} - 2D_{44}D_{13}D_{15}D_{23}D_{25} + D_{55}D_{14}^2D_{23}^2 \\ & + D_{33}D_{14}^2D_{25}^2 - D_{22}D_{33}D_{55}D_{14}^2 - 2D_{14}D_{15}D_{23}D_{45} - 2D_{33}D_{14}D_{15}D_{24}D_{25} \\ & + 2D_{22}D_{33}D_{14}D_{15}D_{45} + D_{44}D_{15}^2D_{23}^2 + D_{33}D_{15}^2D_{24}^2 - D_{22}D_{33}D_{44}D_{15}^2 + \\ & D_{11}D_{23}^2D_{45}^2 - D_{11}D_{44}D_{55}D_{23}^2 - D_{11}D_{33}D_{55}D_{24}^2 + 2D_{11}D_{33}D_{24}D_{25}D_{45} \\ & - D_{11}D_{33}D_{44}D_{25}^2 - D_{11}D_{22}D_{33}D_{45}^2 + D_{11}D_{22}D_{33}D_{44}D_{55}) \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

$$DI_{11} = -(-D_{23}^2D_{45}^2 + D_{44}D_{55}D_{23}^2 + D_{33}D_{55}D_{24}^2 - 2D_{33}D_{24}D_{25}D_{45} + D_{33}D_{44}D_{25}^2 + D_{22}D_{33}D_{45}^2 - D_{22}D_{33}D_{44}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (20)$$

$$DI_{12} = -(D_{13}D_{23}D_{45}^2 - D_{12}D_{33}D_{45}^2 + D_{14}D_{25}D_{33}D_{45} + D_{15}D_{24}D_{33}D_{45} - D_{15}D_{25}D_{33}D_{44} - D_{14}D_{24}D_{33}D_{55} - D_{13}D_{23}D_{44}D_{55} + D_{12}D_{33}D_{44}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (21)$$

$$DI_{13} = (D_{13}D_{22}D_{45}^2 - D_{12}D_{23}D_{45}^2 + D_{13}D_{25}^2D_{44} + D_{13}D_{24}^2D_{55} - 2D_{13}D_{24}D_{25}D_{45} + D_{14}D_{23}D_{25}D_{45} + D_{15}D_{23}D_{24}D_{45} - D_{15}D_{23}D_{25}D_{44} - D_{14}D_{23}D_{24}D_{55} + D_{12}D_{23}D_{44}D_{55} - D_{13}D_{22}D_{44}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (22)$$

$$DI_{14} = (D_{14}D_{25}^2D_{33} - D_{15}D_{23}^2D_{45} + D_{14}D_{23}^2D_{55} - D_{15}D_{24}D_{25}D_{33} + D_{13}D_{23}D_{25}D_{45} - D_{12}D_{25}D_{33}D_{45} - D_{13}D_{23}D_{24}D_{55} + D_{15}D_{22}D_{33}D_{45} + D_{12}D_{24}D_{33}D_{55} - D_{14}D_{22}D_{33}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (23)$$

$$DI_{15} = (D_{15}D_{24}^2D_{33} - D_{14}D_{23}^2D_{45} + D_{15}D_{23}^2D_{44} - D_{14}D_{24}D_{25}D_{33} + D_{13}D_{23}D_{24}D_{45} - D_{13}D_{23}D_{25}D_{44} - D_{12}D_{24}D_{33}D_{45} + D_{12}D_{25}D_{33}D_{44} + D_{14}D_{22}D_{33}D_{45} - D_{15}D_{22}D_{33}D_{44}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (24)$$

$$DI_{21} = -(D_{13}D_{23}D_{45}^2 - D_{12}D_{33}D_{45}^2 + D_{14}D_{25}D_{33}D_{45} + D_{15}D_{24}D_{33}D_{45} - D_{15}D_{25}D_{33}D_{44} - D_{14}D_{24}D_{33}D_{55} - D_{13}D_{23}D_{44}D_{55} + D_{12}D_{33}D_{44}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (25)$$

$$DI_{22} = -(-D_{13}^2D_{45}^2 + D_{44}D_{55}D_{13}^2 + D_{33}D_{55}D_{14}^2 - 2D_{33}D_{14}D_{15}D_{45} + D_{33}D_{44}D_{15}^2 + D_{11}D_{33}D_{45}^2 - D_{11}D_{33}D_{44}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (26)$$

$$DI_{23} = (D_{11}D_{23}D_{45}^2 - D_{12}D_{13}D_{45}^2 + D_{15}^2D_{23}D_{44} + D_{14}^2D_{23}D_{55} + D_{13}D_{14}D_{25}D_{45} + D_{13}D_{15}D_{24}D_{45} - D_{13}D_{15}D_{25}D_{44} - 2D_{14}D_{15}D_{23}D_{45} - D_{13}D_{14}D_{24}D_{55} + D_{12}D_{13}D_{44}D_{55} - D_{11}D_{23}D_{44}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (27)$$

$$DI_{24} = (D_{15}^2D_{24}D_{33} - D_{13}^2D_{25}D_{45} + D_{13}^2D_{24}D_{55} - D_{14}D_{15}D_{25}D_{33} + D_{13}D_{15}D_{23}D_{45} - D_{12}D_{15}D_{33}D_{45} - D_{13}D_{14}D_{23}D_{55} + D_{11}D_{25}D_{33}D_{45} + D_{12}D_{14}D_{33}D_{55} - D_{11}D_{24}D_{33}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (28)$$

$$DI_{25} = (D_{14}^2D_{25}D_{33} - D_{13}^2D_{24}D_{45} + D_{13}^2D_{25}D_{44} - D_{14}D_{15}D_{24}D_{33} + D_{13}D_{14}D_{23}D_{45} - D_{13}D_{15}D_{23}D_{44} - D_{12}D_{14}D_{33}D_{45} + D_{12}D_{15}D_{33}D_{44} + D_{11}D_{24}D_{33}D_{45} - D_{11}D_{25}D_{33}D_{44}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (29)$$

$$DI_{31} = (D_{13}D_{22}D_{45}^2 - D_{12}D_{23}D_{45}^2 + D_{13}D_{25}^2D_{44} + D_{13}D_{24}^2D_{55} - 2D_{13}D_{24}D_{25}D_{45} + D_{14}D_{23}D_{25}D_{45} + D_{15}D_{23}D_{24}D_{45} - D_{15}D_{23}D_{25}D_{44} - D_{14}D_{23}D_{24}D_{55} + D_{12}D_{23}D_{44}D_{55} - D_{13}D_{22}D_{44}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (30)$$

$$DI_{32} = (D_{11}D_{23}D_{45}^2 - D_{12}D_{13}D_{45}^2 + D_{15}^2D_{23}D_{44} + D_{14}^2D_{23}D_{55} + D_{13}D_{14}D_{25}D_{45} + D_{13}D_{15}D_{24}D_{45} - D_{13}D_{15}D_{25}D_{44} - 2D_{14}D_{15}D_{23}D_{45} - D_{13}D_{14}D_{24}D_{55} + D_{12}D_{13}D_{44}D_{55} - D_{11}D_{23}D_{44}D_{55}) / (\text{DETD}) \quad (31)$$

$$DI_{33} = -(-D_{12}^2 D_{45}^2 + D_{44} D_{55} D_{12}^2 - 2D_{55} D_{12} D_{14} D_{24} + 2D_{12} D_{14} D_{25} D_{45} + 2D_{12} D_{15} D_{24} D_{45} - 2D_{44} D_{12} D_{15} D_{25} - D_{14}^2 D_{25}^2 + D_{22} D_{55} D_{12}^2 + 2D_{14} D_{15} D_{24} D_{25} - 2D_{22} D_{14} D_{15} D_{45} - D_{15}^2 D_{24}^2 + D_{22} D_{44} D_{15}^2 + D_{11} D_{55} D_{24}^2 - 2D_{11} D_{24} D_{25} D_{45} + D_{11} D_{44} D_{25}^2 + D_{11} D_{22} D_{45}^2 - D_{11} D_{22} D_{44} D_{55}) / (DETD) \quad (32)$$

$$DI_{34} = -(D_{13} D_{14} D_{25}^2 + D_{15}^2 D_{23} D_{24} - D_{13} D_{15} D_{24} D_{25} - D_{14} D_{15} D_{23} D_{25} - D_{12} D_{13} D_{25} D_{45} - D_{12} D_{15} D_{23} D_{45} + D_{13} D_{15} D_{22} D_{45} + D_{11} D_{23} D_{25} D_{45} + D_{12} D_{13} D_{24} D_{55} + D_{12} D_{14} D_{23} D_{55} - D_{13} D_{14} D_{22} D_{55} - D_{11} D_{23} D_{24} D_{55}) / (DETD) \quad (33)$$

$$DI_{35} = -(D_{13} D_{15} D_{24}^2 + D_{14}^2 D_{23} D_{25} - D_{13} D_{14} D_{24} D_{25} - D_{14} D_{15} D_{23} D_{24} - D_{12} D_{13} D_{24} D_{45} + D_{11} D_{13} D_{25} D_{44} - D_{12} D_{14} D_{23} D_{45} + D_{12} D_{15} D_{23} D_{44} + D_{13} D_{14} D_{22} D_{45} - D_{13} D_{15} D_{22} D_{44} + D_{11} D_{23} D_{24} D_{45} - D_{11} D_{23} D_{25} D_{44}) / (DETD) \quad (34)$$

$$DI_{41} = (D_{14} D_{25}^2 D_{33} - D_{15} D_{23}^2 D_{45} + D_{14} D_{23}^2 D_{55} - D_{15} D_{24} D_{25} D_{33} + D_{13} D_{23} D_{25} D_{45} - D_{12} D_{25} D_{33} D_{45} - D_{13} D_{23} D_{24} D_{55} + D_{15} D_{22} D_{33} D_{45} + D_{12} D_{24} D_{33} D_{55} - D_{14} D_{22} D_{33} D_{55}) / (DETD) \quad (35)$$

$$DI_{42} = (D_{15}^2 D_{24} D_{33} - D_{13}^2 D_{25} D_{45} + D_{13}^2 D_{24} D_{55} - D_{14} D_{15} D_{25} D_{33} + D_{13} D_{15} D_{23} D_{45} - D_{12} D_{15} D_{33} D_{45} - D_{13} D_{14} D_{23} D_{55} + D_{11} D_{25} D_{33} D_{45} + D_{12} D_{14} D_{33} D_{55} - D_{11} D_{24} D_{33} D_{55}) / (DETD) \quad (36)$$

$$DI_{43} = -(D_{13} D_{14} D_{25}^2 + D_{15}^2 D_{23} D_{24} - D_{13} D_{15} D_{24} D_{25} - D_{14} D_{15} D_{23} D_{25} - D_{12} D_{13} D_{25} D_{45} - D_{12} D_{15} D_{23} D_{45} + D_{13} D_{15} D_{22} D_{45} + D_{11} D_{23} D_{25} D_{45} + D_{12} D_{13} D_{24} D_{55} + D_{12} D_{14} D_{23} D_{55} - D_{13} D_{14} D_{22} D_{55} - D_{11} D_{23} D_{24} D_{55}) / (DETD) \quad (37)$$

$$DI_{44} = -(D_{33} D_{55} D_{12}^2 - 2D_{55} D_{12} D_{13} D_{23} - 2D_{33} D_{12} D_{15} D_{25} - D_{13}^2 D_{25}^2 + D_{22} D_{55} D_{13}^2 + 2D_{13} D_{15} D_{23} D_{25} - D_{15}^2 D_{23}^2 + D_{22} D_{33} D_{15}^2 + D_{11} D_{55} D_{23}^2 + D_{11} D_{33} D_{25}^2 - D_{11} D_{22} D_{33} D_{55}) / (DETD) \quad (38)$$

$$DI_{45} = (D_{11} D_{23}^2 D_{45} - D_{13}^2 D_{24} D_{25} - D_{14} D_{15} D_{23}^2 + D_{13}^2 D_{22} D_{45} + D_{12}^2 D_{33} D_{45} + D_{13} D_{14} D_{23} D_{25} + D_{13} D_{15} D_{23} D_{24} - D_{12} D_{14} D_{25} D_{33} - D_{12} D_{15} D_{24} D_{33} + D_{14} D_{15} D_{22} D_{33} + D_{11} D_{24} D_{25} D_{33} - 2D_{12} D_{13} D_{23} D_{45} - D_{11} D_{22} D_{33} D_{45}) / (DETD) \quad (39)$$

$$DI_{51} = (D_{15} D_{24}^2 D_{33} - D_{14} D_{23}^2 D_{45} + D_{15} D_{23}^2 D_{44} - D_{14} D_{24} D_{25} D_{33} + D_{13} D_{23} D_{24} D_{45} - D_{13} D_{23} D_{25} D_{44} - D_{12} D_{24} D_{33} D_{45} + D_{12} D_{25} D_{33} D_{44} + D_{14} D_{22} D_{33} D_{45} - D_{15} D_{22} D_{33} D_{44}) / (DETD) \quad (40)$$

$$DI_{52} = (D_{14}^2 D_{25} D_{33} - D_{13}^2 D_{24} D_{45} + D_{13}^2 D_{25} D_{44} - D_{14} D_{15} D_{24} D_{33} + D_{13} D_{14} D_{23} D_{45} - D_{13} D_{15} D_{23} D_{44} - D_{12} D_{14} D_{33} D_{45} + D_{12} D_{15} D_{33} D_{44} + D_{11} D_{24} D_{33} D_{45} - D_{11} D_{25} D_{33} D_{44}) / (DETD) \quad (41)$$

$$DI_{53} = -(D_{13} D_{15} D_{24}^2 + D_{14}^2 D_{23} D_{25} - D_{13} D_{14} D_{24} D_{25} - D_{14} D_{15} D_{23} D_{24} - D_{12} D_{13} D_{24} D_{45} + D_{12} D_{13} D_{25} D_{44} - D_{12} D_{14} D_{23} D_{45} + D_{12} D_{15} D_{23} D_{44} + D_{13} D_{14} D_{22} D_{45} - D_{13} D_{15} D_{22} D_{44} + D_{11} D_{23} D_{24} D_{45} - D_{11} D_{23} D_{25} D_{44}) / (DETD) \quad (42)$$

$$DI_{54} = (D_{11} D_{23}^2 D_{45} - D_{13}^2 D_{24} D_{25} - D_{14} D_{15} D_{23}^2 + D_{13}^2 D_{22} D_{45} + D_{12}^2 D_{33} D_{45} + D_{13} D_{14} D_{23} D_{25} + D_{13} D_{15} D_{23} D_{24} - D_{12} D_{14} D_{25} D_{33} - D_{12} D_{15} D_{24} D_{33} + D_{14} D_{15} D_{22} D_{33} + D_{11} D_{24} D_{25} D_{33} - 2D_{12} D_{13} D_{23} D_{45} - D_{11} D_{22} D_{33} D_{45}) / (DETD) \quad (43)$$

$$DI_{55} = -(D_{33} D_{44} D_{12}^2 - 2D_{44} D_{12} D_{13} D_{23} - 2D_{33} D_{12} D_{14} D_{24} - D_{13}^2 D_{24}^2 + D_{22} D_{44} D_{13}^2 + 2D_{13} D_{14} D_{23} D_{24} - D_{14}^2 D_{23}^2 + D_{22} D_{33} D_{14}^2 + D_{11} D_{44} D_{23}^2 + D_{11} D_{33} D_{24}^2 - D_{11} D_{22} D_{33} D_{44}) / (DETD) \quad (44)$$

$$\vec{g}_{uip_1} = [0 \quad DI_{11} \quad 0 \quad DI_{21} \quad 0 \quad DI_{31} \quad 0 \quad DI_{41} \quad 0 \quad DI_{51}]^T \quad (45)$$

$$\vec{g}_{uip_2} = [0 \quad DI_{12} \quad 0 \quad DI_{22} \quad 0 \quad DI_{32} \quad 0 \quad DI_{42} \quad 0 \quad DI_{52}]^T \quad (46)$$

$$\vec{g}_{uip_3} = [0 \quad DI_{13} \quad 0 \quad DI_{23} \quad 0 \quad DI_{33} \quad 0 \quad DI_{43} \quad 0 \quad DI_{53}]^T \quad (47)$$

$$\vec{g}_{uip_4} = [0 \quad DI_{14} \quad 0 \quad DI_{24} \quad 0 \quad DI_{34} \quad 0 \quad DI_{44} \quad 0 \quad DI_{54}]^T \quad (48)$$

$$\vec{g}_{uip_5} = [0 \quad DI_{15} \quad 0 \quad DI_{25} \quad 0 \quad DI_{35} \quad 0 \quad DI_{45} \quad 0 \quad DI_{55}]^T \quad (49)$$

$$\vec{q}_{noise_1}^* = [0 \quad 0.1 \quad 0 \quad \cdots \quad 0]^T \quad (50)$$

$$\Omega_{n_1} = \sin t \quad (51)$$

First, define the nominal system of the FLHBR system to be

$$\dot{\vec{x}}_{se}(t) = \vec{f}(\vec{x}_{se}) + \underset{uip}{g}(\vec{x}_{se})\vec{u}_{ip} \quad (52)$$

$$\vec{y}_{op}(t) = \vec{u}_{op}(\vec{x}_{se}) \quad (53)$$

with the well-defined relative degree [28] $\{d_{rd_1}, d_{rd_2}, \dots, d_{rd_5}\} = \{2 \quad 2 \quad 2 \quad 2 \quad 2\}$ that meets

<i> the following Lie differential equation holds:

$$L_{\underset{g_{uip_j}}{\vec{g}}} L_f^k u_{op_i}(\vec{x}_{se}) = 0 \quad (54)$$

for $1 \leq i \leq 5, 1 \leq j \leq 5, k < d_{rd_i} - 1$, where the symbol L denotes the Lie differentiation operation [28,29].

<ii> the following Lie differentiation matrix possesses the nonsingular performance:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{system} &\equiv \begin{bmatrix} L_{g_{uip_1}} L_f^{d_{rd_1}-1} u_{op_1}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & L_{g_{uip_5}} L_f^{d_{rd_1}-1} u_{op_1}(\vec{x}_{se}) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ L_{g_{uip_1}} L_f^{d_{rd_5}-1} u_{op_5}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & L_{g_{uip_5}} L_f^{d_{rd_5}-1} u_{op_5}(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} DI_{11} & DI_{12} & DI_{13} & DI_{14} & DI_{15} \\ DI_{21} & DI_{22} & DI_{23} & DI_{24} & DI_{25} \\ DI_{31} & DI_{32} & DI_{33} & DI_{34} & DI_{35} \\ DI_{41} & DI_{42} & DI_{43} & DI_{44} & DI_{45} \\ DI_{51} & DI_{52} & DI_{53} & DI_{54} & DI_{55} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

and the following function

$$\text{span}\{\vec{g}_{uip_1}, \vec{g}_{uip_2}, \dots, \vec{g}_{uip_5}\} \quad (56)$$

is an involutive distribution [30].

3. Robust Control Design of the FLHBR System

Since the FLHBR system has the well-defined relative degree property and involutive distribution performance, a differentiable, smooth and bijective function $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{T}_{l_i} &\equiv \begin{bmatrix} T_{l_1}^i & \cdots & T_{l_d_{rd_i}}^i \end{bmatrix}^T \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{l_1}^i & \cdots & \phi_{l_d_{rd_i}}^i \end{bmatrix}^T \\ &\equiv \begin{bmatrix} L_f^0 u_{op_i}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & L_f^{d_{rd_i}-1} u_{op_i}(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix}^T, 1 \leq i \leq 5 \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

$$\vec{T}_l \equiv [T_{l_1} \quad T_{l_2} \quad \cdots \quad T_{l_d_{rd}}]^T \quad (58)$$

$$d_{rd} \equiv d_{rd_1} + d_{rd_2} + \cdots + d_{rd_5} \quad (59)$$

$$T_{l_1}^1 = \phi_{l_1}^1 \equiv L_f^0 u_{op_1} = x_{se_1}, \quad (60)$$

$$T_{l_d_{rd_1}}^2 = T_{l_2}^1 = \phi_{l_2}^1 \equiv L_f^1 u_{op_1} \equiv L_f^1 x_{se_1} = f_1 = x_{se_2} \quad (61)$$

$$T_{l_1}^2 = \phi_{l_1}^2 \equiv L_f^0 u_{op_2} = x_{se_3}, \quad (62)$$

$$T_{l_{d_{rd}2}}^2 = T_{l_2}^2 = \phi_{l_2}^2 \equiv L_f^1 u_{op2} \equiv L_f^1 x_{se3} = f_3 = x_{se4} \quad (63)$$

$$T_{l_1}^3 = \phi_{l_1}^3 \equiv L_f^0 u_{op3} = x_{se5}, \quad (64)$$

$$T_{l_{d_{rd}3}}^2 = T_{l_2}^3 = \phi_{l_2}^3 \equiv L_f^1 u_{op3} \equiv L_f^1 x_{se5} = f_5 = x_{se6} \quad (65)$$

$$T_{l_1}^4 = \phi_{l_1}^4 \equiv L_f^0 u_{op4} = x_{se7}, \quad (66)$$

$$T_{l_{d_{rd}4}}^2 = T_{l_2}^4 = \phi_{l_2}^4 \equiv L_f^1 u_{op4} \equiv L_f^1 x_{se7} = f_7 = x_{se8} \quad (67)$$

$$T_{l_1}^5 = \phi_{l_1}^5 \equiv L_f^0 u_{op5} = x_{se9}, \quad (68)$$

$$T_{l_{d_{rd}5}}^2 = T_{l_2}^5 = \phi_{l_2}^5 \equiv L_f^1 u_{op5} \equiv L_f^1 x_{se9} = f_9 = x_{se10} \quad (69)$$

is a smooth and bijective function that transforms the highly nonlinear FLHBR to be a linear subsystem [30].

In (60)~(69), there are ten variables due to the relative degree vector of the nonlinear FLHBR system described by (3)~(8), then the FLHBR system is fully feedback linearizable. An important achievement was pioneered by [30], namely, that under the assumption of the fully linearizable feedback, the function defined as φ transforms the original FLHBR system into a linear subsystem as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_{l_1}^1 &= \frac{\partial u_{op1}}{\partial x_{se}} \left[\vec{f} + \vec{g}_{uip} \cdot \vec{u}_{ip} + \sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise-j}^* (\Omega_{un-j} + \Omega_{n-j}) \right] \\ &= T_{l_2}^1 + \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial u_{op1}}{\partial x_{se}} \vec{q}_{noise-j}^* \right) (\Omega_{un-j} + \Omega_{n-j}) \end{aligned} \quad (70)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_{l_{d_{rd}1}}^1 &= \dot{T}_{l_2}^1 = \frac{\partial L_f^{d_{rd}1-1} u_{op1}}{\partial \vec{x}_{se}} \left[\vec{f} + \vec{g}_{uip} \cdot \vec{u}_{ip} + \sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise-j}^* (\Omega_{un-j} + \Omega_{n-j}) \right] \\ &= L_f^{d_{rd}1} u_{op1} + L_{\vec{g}_{uip1}}^{\vec{f}} L_f^{d_{rd}1-1} u_{op1} u_{ip1} + \cdots + L_{\vec{g}_{uip5}}^{\vec{f}} L_f^{d_{rd}1-1} u_{op1} u_{ip5} \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial L_f^{d_{rd}1-1} u_{op1}}{\partial \vec{x}_{se}} \vec{q}_{noise-j}^* \right) (\Omega_{un-j} + \Omega_{n-j}) \end{aligned} \quad (71)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_{l_1}^5 &= \frac{\partial u_{op5}}{\partial x_{se}} \left[\vec{f} + \vec{g}_{uip} \cdot \vec{u}_{ip} + \sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise-j}^* (\Omega_{un-j} + \Omega_{n-j}) \right] \\ &= T_{l_2}^5 + \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial u_{op5}}{\partial x_{se}} \vec{q}_{noise-j}^* \right) (\Omega_{un-j} + \Omega_{n-j}) \end{aligned} \quad (72)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_{l_{d_{rd}5}}^5 &= \dot{T}_{l_2}^5 = \frac{\partial L_f^{d_{rd}5-1} u_{op5}}{\partial \vec{x}_{se}} \left[\vec{f} + \vec{g}_{uip} \cdot \vec{u}_{ip} + \sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise-j}^* (\Omega_{un-j} + \Omega_{n-j}) \right] \\ &= L_f^{d_{rd}5} u_{op5} + L_{\vec{g}_{uip1}}^{\vec{f}} L_f^{d_{rd}5-1} u_{op5} u_{ip1} + \cdots + L_{\vec{g}_{uip5}}^{\vec{f}} L_f^{d_{rd}5-1} u_{op5} u_{ip5} \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial L_f^{d_{rd}5-1} u_{op5}}{\partial \vec{x}_{se}} \vec{q}_{noise-j}^* \right) (\Omega_{un-j} + \Omega_{n-j}) \end{aligned} \quad (73)$$

Since

$$u_{ip-ci} \equiv L_f^{d_{rd,i}} u_{op-i} \quad (74)$$

$$u_{ip-dij} \equiv L_{\vec{g}_{uip,j}}^{\vec{f}} L_f^{d_{rd,i}-1} u_{op-i}, 1 \leq i, j \leq 5 \quad (75)$$

then the transformed subsystem is written as

$$\dot{T}_{l,1}^1(t) = T_{l,2}^1(t) + \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{1-1} u_{op,1} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \quad (76)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_{l,d_{rd,1}}^1 &= \dot{T}_{l,2}^1 = u_{ip,c1} + u_{ip,d11}u_{ip,1} + \cdots + u_{ip,d15}u_{ip,5} \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd,1}-1} u_{op,1} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \end{aligned} \quad (77)$$

$$\dot{T}_{l,1}^5 = T_{l,2}^5 + \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{1-1} u_{op,5} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \quad (78)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{T}_{l,d_{rd,5}}^1 &= \dot{T}_{l,2}^5 = u_{ip,c5} + u_{ip,d51}u_{ip,1} + \cdots + u_{ip,d55}u_{ip,5} \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd,5}-1} u_{op,5} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \end{aligned} \quad (79)$$

$$u_{op,i} = T_{l,1}^i, 1 \leq i \leq 5 \quad (80)$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{T}_{l,d_{rd,1}}^1 \\ \dot{T}_{l,d_{rd,2}}^2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{T}_{l,d_{rd,5}}^5 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \dot{T}_{l,2}^1 \\ \dot{T}_{l,2}^2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{T}_{l,2}^5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{ip,c1} \\ u_{ip,c2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{ip,c5} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} u_{ip,d11} & u_{ip,d12} & \cdots & u_{ip,d15} \\ u_{ip,d21} & u_{ip,d22} & \cdots & u_{ip,d25} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ u_{ip,d51} & u_{ip,d52} & \cdots & u_{ip,d55} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{ip,1} \\ u_{ip,2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{ip,5} \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd,1}-1} u_{op,1} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \\ \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd,2}-1} u_{op,2} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd,5}-1} u_{op,5} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (81)$$

To construct the desired feedback linearization controller

$$\vec{u}_{ip} = A_{system}^{-1} \left\{ -\vec{u}_{ip,b} + \vec{u}_{ip,v} \right\} \quad (82)$$

we apply the vector

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u}_{ip,b} &\equiv [u_{ip,b1} \quad u_{ip,b2} \quad \cdots \quad u_{ip,b5}]^T \equiv \left[L_f^{d_{rd,1}} u_{op,1} \quad L_f^{d_{rd,2}} u_{op,2} \quad \cdots \quad L_f^{d_{rd,5}} u_{op,5} \right]^T \\ &= [u_{ip,c1} \quad u_{ip,c2} \quad \cdots \quad u_{ip,c5}]^T \equiv \vec{u}_{ip,c} \end{aligned} \quad (83)$$

and the virtual input [30]

$$\vec{u}_{ip,v} \equiv [u_{ip,v1} \quad u_{ip,v2} \quad \cdots \quad u_{ip,v5}]^T \quad (84)$$

Then we can transform the original FLHBR system into the following model

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{T}_{l_{-d_{rd_1}}}^1 \\ \dot{T}_{l_{-d_{rd_2}}}^2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{T}_{l_{-d_{rd_5}}}^5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{T}_{l_2}^1 \\ \dot{T}_{l_2}^2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{T}_{l_2}^5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{ip_{v1}} \\ u_{ip_{v2}} \\ \vdots \\ u_{ip_{v5}} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_{f_1}^{d_{rd_1}-1} u_{op_{-1}} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}(\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \\ \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_{f_2}^{d_{rd_2}-1} u_{op_{-2}} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}(\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_{f_5}^{d_{rd_5}-1} u_{op_{-5}} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}(\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (85)$$

From (76), (78) and (85), we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{T}_{l_1}^i(t) \\ \dot{T}_{l_{-d_{rd_i}}}^i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_{l_1}^i(t) \\ T_{l_{-d_{rd_i}}}^i \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u_{ip_{vi}} + \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_{f_1}^{1-1} u_{op_{-1}} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}(\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \\ \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_{f_i}^{d_{rd_i}-1} u_{op_{-i}} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_j}(\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (86)$$

$d_{rd_i} = 2, i = 1, \dots, 5$

We construct the feedback linearization controller by $\vec{u}_{ip} = A_{system}^{-1} \{ -\vec{u}_{ip_b} + \vec{u}_{ip_v} \}$ with almost disturbing decoupling performance to be [30]

$$\begin{aligned} u_{ip_{vi}} &\equiv u_{op_track}^{i(d_{rd_i})} - \varepsilon^{-d_{rd_i}} \alpha_1^i \left[L_f^0 u_{op_i} - u_{op_track}^i \right] - \varepsilon^{1-d_{rd_i}} \alpha_2^i \left[L_f^1 u_{op_i} - u_{op_track}^{(1)} \right] \\ &\dots - \varepsilon^{-1} \alpha_{d_{rd_i}}^i \left[L_f^{d_{rd_i}-1} u_{op_i} - u_{op_track}^{(d_{rd_i}-1)} \right], 1 \leq i \leq 5 \end{aligned} \quad (87)$$

where $u_{op_track}^i$ is the desired tracking signal and $\alpha_{d_{rd_i}}^i$ are elements of the Hurwitz matrix shown by

$$A_L^i \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ -\alpha_1^i & -\alpha_2^i & -\alpha_3^i & \dots & -\alpha_{d_{rd_i}}^i \end{bmatrix}_{d_{rd_i} \times d_{rd_i}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1000 & -1000 \end{bmatrix} i = 1, \dots, 5 \quad (88)$$

Based on a feedback linearization approach, we propose the robust controller with the pre-specified tracking signals $u_{op_track}^1 = u_{op_track}^2 = u_{op_track}^3 = u_{op_track}^4 = u_{op_track}^5 = 0$ as follows:

$$\vec{u}_{ip} = A_{system}^{-1} \left(-\vec{u}_{ip_b} + \vec{u}_{ip_v} \right) = A_{system}^{-1} \left(-[u_{ip_{b1}} \dots u_{ip_{b5}}]^T + [u_{ip_{v1}} \dots u_{ip_{v5}}]^T \right) \quad (89)$$

$$A_{system}^{-1} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} & D_{13} & D_{14} & D_{15} \\ D_{12} & D_{22} & D_{23} & D_{24} & D_{25} \\ D_{13} & D_{23} & D_{33} & 0 & 0 \\ D_{14} & D_{24} & 0 & D_{44} & D_{45} \\ D_{15} & D_{25} & 0 & D_{45} & D_{55} \end{bmatrix} \quad (90)$$

$$u_{ip_{b1}} = f_2 \quad (91)$$

$$u_{ip_{b2}} = f_4 \quad (92)$$

$$u_{ip_{b3}} = f_6 \quad (93)$$

$$u_{ip_{b4}} = f_8 \quad (94)$$

$$u_{ip_{b5}} = f_{10} \quad (95)$$

$$u_{ip_{v1}} = 0 - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^2(x_{se_1} - 0) - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^1(x_{se_2} - 0) \quad (96)$$

$$u_{ip_v2} = 0 - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^2(x_{se_3} - 0) - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^1(x_{se_4} - 0) \quad (97)$$

$$u_{ip_v3} = 0 - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^2(x_{se_5} - 0) - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^1(x_{se_6} - 0) \quad (98)$$

$$u_{ip_v4} = 0 - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^2(x_{se_7} - 0) - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^1(x_{se_8} - 0) \quad (99)$$

$$u_{ip_v5} = 0 - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^2(x_{se_9} - 0) - 1000(1/\varepsilon)^1(x_{se_10} - 0) \quad (100)$$

$$u_{ip_1} = (D_{11})(-u_{ip_b1} + u_{ip_v1}) + (D_{12})(-u_{ip_b2} + u_{ip_v2}) + (D_{13})(-u_{ip_b3} + u_{ip_v3}) \\ + (D_{14})(-u_{ip_b4} + u_{ip_v4}) + (D_{15})(-u_{ip_b5} + u_{ip_v5}) \quad (101)$$

$$u_{ip_2} = (D_{21})(-u_{ip_b1} + u_{ip_v1}) + (D_{22})(-u_{ip_b2} + u_{ip_v2}) + (D_{23})(-u_{ip_b3} + u_{ip_v3}) \\ + (D_{24})(-u_{ip_b4} + u_{ip_v4}) + (D_{25})(-u_{ip_b5} + u_{ip_v5}) \quad (102)$$

$$u_{ip_3} = (D_{31})(-u_{ip_b1} + u_{ip_v1}) + (D_{32})(-u_{ip_b2} + u_{ip_v2}) + (D_{33})(-u_{ip_b3} + u_{ip_v3}) \\ + (D_{34})(-u_{ip_b4} + u_{ip_v4}) + (D_{35})(-u_{ip_b5} + u_{ip_v5}) \quad (103)$$

$$u_{ip_4} = (D_{41})(-u_{ip_b1} + u_{ip_v1}) + (D_{42})(-u_{ip_b2} + u_{ip_v2}) + (D_{43})(-u_{ip_b3} + u_{ip_v3}) \\ + (D_{44})(-u_{ip_b4} + u_{ip_v4}) + (D_{45})(-u_{ip_b5} + u_{ip_v5}) \quad (104)$$

$$u_{ip_5} = (D_{51})(-u_{ip_b1} + u_{ip_v1}) + (D_{52})(-u_{ip_b2} + u_{ip_v2}) + (D_{53})(-u_{ip_b3} + u_{ip_v3}) \\ + (D_{54})(-u_{ip_b4} + u_{ip_v4}) + (D_{55})(-u_{ip_b5} + u_{ip_v5}) \quad (105)$$

For the convenience of the following discussions, let's define some related parameters as

$$e_{tr_j}^i \equiv T_{l_j}^i - u_{op_track}^{i(j-1)} \quad (106)$$

$$e_{tr_track}^i \equiv [e_{tr_1}^i e_{tr_2}^i \cdots e_{tr_d_{rd_i}}^i]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{rd_i}} \quad (107)$$

$$\overline{e_{tr_j}^i} \equiv \varepsilon^{j-1} e_{tr_j}^i, i = 1, 2, \dots, 5, j = 1, 2, \dots, d_{rd_i} \quad (108)$$

$$\overline{e_{tr_track}^i} \equiv [\overline{e_{tr_1}^i} \overline{e_{tr_2}^i} \cdots \overline{e_{tr_d_{rd_i}}^i}(t)]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{rd_i}} \quad (109)$$

$$\bar{e}_{tr_track} \equiv [\overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \quad \overline{e_{tr_track}^2} \quad \cdots \quad \overline{e_{tr_track}^5}]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{rd}} \quad (110)$$

$$\bar{B}^i \equiv [0 \quad 0 \quad \cdots \quad 0 \quad 1]_{d_{rd_i} \times 1}^T, 1 \leq i \leq 5 \quad (111)$$

$$\overline{\overline{e_{tr_track}^i}} \equiv \alpha_1^i \overline{e_{tr_1}^i} + \alpha_2^i \overline{e_{tr_2}^i} + \cdots + \alpha_{d_{rd_i}}^i \overline{e_{tr_d_{rd_i}}^i} \quad (112)$$

where the Lyapunov system matrix A_L^i is a Hurwitz matrix whose eigenvalues lie in the left half coordinate plane and one can use Matlab to obtain the adjoining Lyapunov system matrix $E_L^i > 0$ of the following Lyapunov equation [31]:

$$(A_L^i)^T E_L^i + E_L^i A_L^i = -I \quad (113)$$

$$\lambda_{\max}(E_L^i) \equiv \max. \text{ eigenvalue of the system matrix } E_L^i \quad (114)$$

$$\lambda_{\min}(E_L^i) \equiv \min. \text{ eigenvalue of the system matrix } E_L^i \quad (115)$$

$$\lambda_{\max}^* \equiv \max\{\lambda_{\max}(E_L^1), \lambda_{\max}(E_L^2), \dots, \lambda_{\max}(E_L^5)\} \equiv \max\{0.005, 0.005, \dots, 0.005\} = 0.005 \quad (116)$$

$$\lambda_{\min}^* \equiv \min\{\lambda_{\max}(E_L^1), \lambda_{\max}(E_L^2), \dots, \lambda_{\max}(E_L^5)\} \equiv \min\{1.0005, 1.0005, \dots, 1.0005\} = 1.0005 \quad (117)$$

and

$$E_L^1 = E_L^2 = E_L^3 = E_L^4 = E_L^5 = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0005 & 0.0005 \\ 0.0005 & 0.0005 \end{bmatrix} \quad (118)$$

To demonstrate further the complete control design of nonlinear FLHBR systems, let us make two definitions as

Definition 1. The nonlinear control system $\dot{\vec{x}}_{se} = \vec{f}(t, \vec{x}_{se}, \vec{u}_{ip})$ with the input \vec{u}_{ip} , the state \vec{x}_{se} and the smooth function $\vec{f} : [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is called to have the input-to-state stable performance if

$$\|\vec{x}_{se}(t)\| \leq \gamma_1(\|\vec{x}_{se}(t_0)\|, t - t_0) + \gamma_2\left(\sup_{t_0 \leq \tau \leq t} \|\vec{u}_{ip}(\tau)\|\right) \quad (119)$$

where γ_1, γ_2 are K-class function, KL-class function, respectively [32].

Definition 2. A nonlinear control system with the external disturbance input \vec{u}_{ip} is called to have the almost disturbance decoupling property if

- (a) The nonlinear control system possesses the input-to-state stable performance.
- (b) The following two inequalities hold:

$$\left| u_{op_i}(t) - u_{op_track}^i(t) \right| \leq \gamma_{11}(\|\vec{x}_{se}(t_0)\|, t - t_0) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma_{22}}} \gamma_{33}\left(\sup_{t_0 \leq \tau \leq t} \|\vec{u}_{ip}(\tau)\|\right) \quad (120)$$

and

$$\int_{t_0}^t \left[u_{op_i}(\tau) - u_{op_track}^i(\tau) \right]^2 d\tau \leq \frac{1}{\gamma_{44}} \left[\gamma_{55}(\|\vec{x}_{se}(t_0)\|) + \int_{t_0}^t \gamma_{33}(\|\vec{u}_{ip}(\tau)\|^2) d\tau \right] \quad (121)$$

where $\vec{x}_{se}(t_0)$ denotes the initial state of the control system, γ_{11} is KL-class function, γ_{33}, γ_{55} are K-class functions and $\gamma_{22} > 0, \gamma_{44} > 0$ [25,33].

It is worth mentioning that the aforementioned definition (hypothesis) of the almost disturbance decoupling property is more stringent in many ways when compared with the earlier definitions shown first for linear control engineering systems and then inherited for nonlinear control systems which are needed for closed-loop feedback systems:

(Case 1) input-to-state stable performance when the initial state of control system is zero;

(Case 2) globally asymptotical stability of the equilibrium point when the external disturbance input is set to be zero;

Moreover, the above definition of the almost disturbance decoupling property possesses three features as follows [24]:

The first feature of the above definition is the demand of input-to-state stable performance. In fact, while for linear control systems the input-to-state stable performance is implied by (120), this is not met for nonlinear control systems. The second feature is the appearance of function r_{33} for (120). While for earlier definitions the function is set to be $r_{33}(x) = x$, in fact, this flexibility is required only for special cases including linear cases. The third feature lies in the input-to-state stable performance that needs the asymptotical stability for the equilibrium point corresponding to the tracking signal and the origin point. As we shall see, for linear control systems, once the stabilization problem is addressed, the tracking problem is solved, this is not so for nonlinear ones. Based on the more stringent definition of the almost disturbance decoupling property, the robust-

ness of the proposed feedback linearization approach is stronger. Moreover, according to $\sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_m^2} \leq |a_1| + |a_2| + \dots + |a_m|$, it is easy to obtain

$$\int_{t_0}^t \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_m^2} d\tau \leq \int_{t_0}^t |a_1| + |a_2| + \dots + |a_m| d\tau$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{t_0}^t \sqrt{[u_{op_1}(\tau) - u_{op_track}^1(\tau)]^2 + \dots + [u_{op_m}(\tau) - u_{op_track}^m(\tau)]^2} d\tau \\ & \leq \int_{t_0}^t \left\{ |u_{op_1}(t) - u_{op_track}^1(t)| + \dots + |u_{op_m}(t) - u_{op_track}^m(t)| \right\} d\tau \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can conclude the fact that the root mean square error can be implied by the almost disturbance decoupling condition (121).

From (86), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} \dot{T}_{l_1}^i - \dot{u}_{op_track}^i \\ \dot{T}_{l_d_{rd_i}}^i - \dot{u}_{op_track}^{i(d_{rd_i}-1)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_{l_1}^i - u_{op_track}^i \\ T_{l_d_{rd_i}}^i - u_{op_track}^{i(d_{rd_i}-1)} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} (u_{ip_vi} - u_{op_track}^{i(d_{rd_i})}) \\ & + \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{1-1} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_j} (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \\ \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd_i}-1} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_j} (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \end{bmatrix}, d_{rd_i} = 2, i = 1, \dots, 5 \end{aligned} \quad (122)$$

From (106), (108) and (122), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} \overline{e_{tr_1}^i} \\ \varepsilon^{1-d_{rd_i}} \overline{e_{tr_d_{rd_i}}^i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon^{-1} \overline{e_{tr_d_{rd_i}}^i} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} (u_{ip_vi} - u_{op_track}^{i(d_{rd_i})}) \\ & + \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{1-1} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_j} (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \\ \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd_i}-1} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_j} (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (123)$$

Substituting (87) and (88) into (123) obtains

$$\varepsilon \begin{bmatrix} \overline{e_{tr_1}^i} \\ \overline{e_{tr_d_{rd_i}}^i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\alpha_1^i & -\alpha_{d_{rd_i}}^i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \overline{e_{tr_1}^i} \\ \overline{e_{tr_d_{rd_i}}^i} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{1-1} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_j} (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \\ \varepsilon^{d_{rd_i}} \sum_{j=1}^p \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd_i}-1} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_j} (\Omega_{un_j} + \Omega_{n_j}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (124)$$

Then, we obtain

$$\varepsilon \overline{e_{tr_track}^i} = A_L^i \overline{e_{tr_track}^i} + \varphi_{T_l}^i (\overrightarrow{\Omega_{un}} + \overrightarrow{\Omega_n}), i = 1, \dots, 5 \quad (125)$$

$$u_{op_i} = T_{l_1}^i, i = 1, \dots, 5 \quad (126)$$

where

$$\varphi_{T_l}^i(\varepsilon) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_1} & \dots & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \varepsilon^{d_{rd_i}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd_i}-1} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_1} & \dots & \varepsilon^{d_{rd_i}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd_i}-1} u_{op_i} \right) \overleftarrow{q}_{noise_p} \end{bmatrix} \quad (127)$$

$i = 1, \dots, 5$

$$\vec{\Omega}_n \equiv [\Omega_{n_1}(t) \quad \cdots \quad \Omega_{n_p}(t)]^T \quad (128)$$

$$\vec{\Omega}_{un} \equiv [\Omega_{un_1} \quad \cdots \quad \Omega_{un_p}]^T \quad (129)$$

Then, we verify the fact that the feedback linearization control achieves the almost disturbance decoupling performance, and the globally exponential stability of the FLHBR system in Appendix B. Therefore, the proposed feedback linearization control (89) will indeed drive the output state tracking errors of the FLHBR system (3)–(8), starting from pre-specified initial conditions, to the global ultimate attractor.

It is worth noting that we can extend the above overall design process to achieve two more general theorems for general nonlinear control systems with uncertainties and disturbances as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_{se_1} & \cdots & \dot{x}_{se_n} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & f_n(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix}^T + \begin{bmatrix} \vec{g}_{uip_1}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & \vec{g}_{uip_m}(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{ip_1}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & u_{ip_m}(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix}^T + \begin{bmatrix} \delta f_{un_1}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & \delta f_{un_n}(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix}^T + \sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* \Omega_{n_j} \quad (130)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_{op_1}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & y_{op_m}(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} u_{op_1}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & u_{op_m}(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix}^T \quad (131)$$

i.e.,

$$\dot{\vec{x}}_{se}(t) = \vec{f}(\vec{x}_{se}) + \vec{g}_{uip}(\vec{x}_{se}) \vec{u}_{ip} + \delta \vec{f}_{un} + \sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* \Omega_{n_j} \quad (132)$$

$$\vec{y}_{op}(t) = \vec{u}_{op}(\vec{x}_{se}) \quad (133)$$

where $\vec{x}_{se}(t) \equiv [x_{se_1}(t) \quad \cdots \quad x_{se_n}(t)]^T$, $\vec{u}_{ip} \equiv [u_{ip_1} \quad \cdots \quad u_{ip_m}]^T$, $\vec{q}_{noise_j}^*$, $\vec{y}_{op} \equiv [y_{op_1} \quad \cdots \quad y_{op_m}]^T$, $\vec{\Omega}_n \equiv [\Omega_{n_1}(t) \quad \cdots \quad \Omega_{n_p}(t)]^T$ are vectors of states, inputs, disturbance-adjointing terms, outputs, and disturbances, respectively, for the nonlinear system. We consider the relating vectors $\vec{f} \equiv [f_1 \quad \cdots \quad f_n]^T$, $\vec{g}_{uip} \equiv [\vec{g}_{uip_1} \quad \cdots \quad \vec{g}_{uip_m}]^T$ and $\vec{u}_{op} \equiv [u_{op_1} \quad \cdots \quad u_{op_m}]^T$ to be smooth functions. The uncertain vector $\delta \vec{f}_{un}$ is considered to be matched uncertainty as $\delta \vec{f}_{un} \equiv \sum_{j=1}^p \vec{q}_{noise_j}^* \Omega_{n_j}$, $\vec{\Omega}_{un} \equiv [\Omega_{un_1} \quad \cdots \quad \Omega_{un_p}]^T$.

Assumption 1. The following inequality holds:

$$\|\vec{\beta}_{n_t}(t, \vec{T}_n, \vec{e}_{tr_track}) - \vec{\beta}_{n_t}(t, \vec{T}_n, 0)\| \leq M_n(\|\vec{e}_{tr_track}\|) \quad (134)$$

where $M_n > 0$, $\vec{\beta}_{n_t}(t, \vec{T}_n, \vec{e}_{tr_track}) \equiv \vec{\beta}_n(\vec{T}_l, \vec{T}_n)$.

Define the nominal system of the nonlinear system to be

$$\dot{\vec{x}}_{se}(t) = \vec{f}(\vec{x}_{se}) + \vec{g}_{uip}(\vec{x}_{se}) \vec{u}_{ip} \quad (135)$$

$$\vec{y}_{op}(t) = \vec{u}_{op}(\vec{x}_{se}) \quad (136)$$

with the well-defined relative degree $\{d_{rd_1}, d_{rd_2}, \cdots, d_{rd_m}\}$ that meets
<i> the following Lie differentiation equation holds:

$$L_{\vec{g}_{uip_j}} L_f^k u_{op_i}(\vec{x}_{se}) = 0 \quad (137)$$

for $1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq m, k < d_{rd_i} - 1$, where m is the input (or output) number and the symbol L denotes the Lie differentiation operation.

<ii> the following Lie differentiation matrix possesses the nonsingular performance:

$$A_{system} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} L_{g_{uip_1}} L_f^{d_{rd_1}-1} u_{op_1}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & L_{g_{uip_m}} L_f^{d_{rd_1}-1} u_{op_1}(\vec{x}_{se}) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ L_{g_{uip_1}} L_f^{d_{rd_m}-1} u_{op_m}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & L_{g_{uip_m}} L_f^{d_{rd_m}-1} u_{op_m}(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (138)$$

and the following function

$$span\{\vec{g}_{uip_1}, \vec{g}_{uip_2}, \cdots, \vec{g}_{uip_m}\} \quad (139)$$

is an involutive distribution.

Based on the property that the nonlinear system has the well-defined relative degree and involutive distribution, the following mapping defined as

$$\phi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad (140)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{T}_{l_i} &\equiv \begin{bmatrix} T_{l_1}^i & \cdots & T_{l_{d_{rd_i}}}^i \end{bmatrix}^T \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{l_1}^i & \cdots & \phi_{l_{d_{rd_i}}}^i \end{bmatrix}^T \\ &\equiv \begin{bmatrix} L_f^0 u_{op_i}(\vec{x}_{se}) & \cdots & L_f^{d_{rd_i}-1} u_{op_i}(\vec{x}_{se}) \end{bmatrix}^T \end{aligned} \quad (141)$$

$$d_{rd} \equiv d_{rd_1} + d_{rd_2} + \cdots + d_{rd_m} \quad (142)$$

$$\phi_{n_k}(\vec{x}_{se}) \equiv T_{n_k}(t), k = d_{rd} + 1, d_{rd} + 2, \cdots, n \quad (143)$$

and

$$L_{g_{uip_j}} \phi_{n_k}(\vec{x}_{se}) = 0, k = d_{rd} + 1, d_{rd} + 2, \cdots, n, 1 \leq j \leq m \quad (144)$$

is a smooth and bijective function that transforms the highly nonlinear system to be a nonlinear T_{n_k} subsystem and a linear subsystem \vec{T}_{l_i} , respectively.

Properly design the Lyapunov functions L_{f_n} and L_{f_l} for the nonlinear subsystem equation and linear subsystem equation, respectively, and then obtain the composite Lyapunov function L_{f_l+n} of the transformed system to be

$$L_{f_l+n} \equiv L_{f_n} + k(\varepsilon)L_{f_l} \quad (145)$$

$$L_{f_l} = L_{f_l}^1 + \cdots + L_{f_l}^m \quad (146)$$

and

$$L_{f_l}^i \equiv \frac{1}{2} \overline{e_{tr_track}^i}^T E_L^i \overline{e_{tr_track}^i} \quad (147)$$

Theorem 1. There exists a differentiable, smooth and bijective function $L_{y_n}: \mathbb{R}^{n-r} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ for the transformed nonlinear subsystem T_{n_k} and the linear subsystem \vec{T}_{l_i} such that the following inequalities hold:

$$(a) \quad \Delta_{n_1} \|\vec{T}_n\|^2 \leq L_{y_n} \leq \Delta_{n_2} \|\vec{T}_n\|^2 \quad (148)$$

$$(b) \quad \nabla_t L_{y_n} + (\nabla_{\vec{T}_n} L_{y_n})^T \vec{\beta}_n(t, \vec{T}_n, 0) \leq -31\alpha_x L_{y_n} \quad (149)$$

$$(c) \quad \|\nabla_{\vec{T}_n} L_{y_n}\| \leq \Delta_{n_3} \|\vec{T}_n\|, \Delta_{n_3} > 0 \quad (150)$$

and the proposed robust control is constructed by

$$\vec{u}_{ip} = A_{system}^{-1} \left\{ -\vec{u}_{ip_b} + \vec{u}_{ip_v} \right\} \quad (151)$$

$$\vec{u}_{ip_b} \equiv [u_{ip_b1} \quad u_{ip_b2} \quad \cdots \quad u_{ip_bm}]^T \equiv \begin{bmatrix} L_f^{d_{rd-1}} u_{op_1} & L_f^{d_{rd-2}} u_{op_2} & \cdots & L_f^{d_{rd-m}} u_{op_m} \end{bmatrix}^T \quad (152)$$

$$\vec{u}_{ip_v} \equiv [u_{ip_v1} \quad u_{ip_v2} \quad \cdots \quad u_{ip_vm}]^T \quad (153)$$

$$u_{ip_vi} \equiv u_{op_track}^{(d_{rd-i})} - \varepsilon^{-d_{rd-i}} \alpha_1^i \left[L_f^0 u_{op_i}(\vec{x}_{se}) - u_{op_track}^i \right] - \varepsilon^{1-d_{rd-i}} \alpha_2^i \left[L_f^1 u_{op_i}(\vec{x}_{se}) - u_{op_track}^{(1)} \right] - \cdots - \varepsilon^{-1} \alpha_{d_{rd-i}}^i \left[L_f^{d_{rd-i}-1} u_{op_i}(\vec{x}_{se}) - u_{op_track}^{(d_{rd-i}-1)} \right] \quad (154)$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} \\ P_{12} & P_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad (155)$$

$$P_{11} = 31\alpha_x - \frac{529}{46} \frac{\Delta_{n-3}^2}{\Delta_{n-1}} \|\varphi_{T_n}^{\rightarrow}\|^2 \quad (156)$$

$$P_{12} = - \left[\frac{\Delta_{n-3} M_n}{\sqrt{2k(\varepsilon) \Delta_{n-1} \lambda_{\min}^*}} \right] \quad (157)$$

$$P_{22} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon \lambda_{\max}^*} - \left(\frac{529}{46} \right) \frac{k(\varepsilon) \|\varphi_{T_l}^1\|^2 \|E_L^1\|^2}{1/2\varepsilon^2 \lambda_{\min}(E_L^1)} - \cdots - \left(\frac{529}{46} \right) \frac{k(\varepsilon) \|\varphi_{T_l}^m\|^2 \|E_L^m\|^2}{1/2\varepsilon^2 \lambda_{\min}(E_L^m)} \quad (158)$$

$$\alpha_s(\varepsilon) \equiv \frac{P_{11} + P_{22} - \left[(P_{11} - P_{22})^2 + 4P_{12}^2 \right]^{1/2}}{4} \quad (159)$$

$$S \equiv 2\alpha_s(\varepsilon) \quad (160)$$

$$S_1 \equiv \frac{m+1}{46} \left(\sup_{t_0 \leq \tau \leq t} \|\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n\| \right)^2 \quad (161)$$

$$S_2 \equiv \min \left\{ \Delta_{n-1}, \frac{k(\varepsilon)}{2} \lambda_{\min}^* \right\} \quad (162)$$

$$\varphi_{T_l}^i(\varepsilon) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} u_{op_i} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_1}^* & \cdots & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} u_{op_i} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_p}^* \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \varepsilon^{d_{rd-i}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd-i}-1} u_{op_i} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_1}^* & \cdots & \varepsilon^{d_{rd-i}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} L_f^{d_{rd-i}-1} u_{op_i} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_p}^* \end{bmatrix} \quad (163)$$

$$\varphi_{T_n}^{\rightarrow}(\varepsilon) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} \varphi_{n_d_{rd}+1} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_1}^* & \cdots & \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} \varphi_{n_d_{rd}+1} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_p}^* \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} \varphi_{n_n} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_1}^* & \cdots & \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{se}} \varphi_{n_n} \right) \vec{q}_{noise_p}^* \end{bmatrix} \quad (164)$$

where the identifying matrix P is a positive definite matrix and the identifying parameter $k(\varepsilon)$ passes through the origin and meets the following condition

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon/k(\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \quad (165)$$

Then the nonlinear system based on the proposed robust control possesses the almost disturbance decoupling property and the tracking errors are globally reduced by the condition $S \cdot S_2 > 1$ with the exponential convergent rate

$$\frac{S \cdot S_2}{Q_{\max}}, Q_{\max} \equiv \max \left\{ \Delta_{n-2}, \frac{k}{2} \lambda_{\max}^* \right\} \quad (166)$$

and the exponential convergent radius

$$\sqrt{\frac{S_1}{S \cdot S_2}} \equiv r \quad (167)$$

It is worth noting that if the nonlinear system is fully feedback linearizable [33], i.e., the dimension of the nonlinear system is equal to the relative degree parameter, then the simplified version of Theorem 1 can be presented as Theorem 2.

Theorem 2. *The almost decoupling disturbance and robust tracking problems of the nonlinear system can be well addressed via the proposed controller by changing the inequality $S \cdot S_2 > 1$ with*

$$P = \frac{1}{\varepsilon \lambda_{\max}^*} - \left(\frac{529}{46} \right) \frac{k(\varepsilon) \|\varphi_{T_l}^1\|^2 \|E_L^1\|^2}{1/2\varepsilon^2 \lambda_{\min}(E_L^1)} - \dots - \left(\frac{529}{46} \right) \frac{k(\varepsilon) \|\varphi_{T_l}^m\|^2 \|E_L^m\|^2}{1/2\varepsilon^2 \lambda_{\min}(E_L^m)} > 0 \quad (168)$$

$$\alpha_s(\varepsilon) \equiv \frac{P}{2} \quad (169)$$

$$S \equiv 2\alpha_s(\varepsilon) \quad (170)$$

$$S_1 \equiv \frac{m+1}{46} \left(\sup_{t_0 \leq \tau \leq t} \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\| \right)^2 \quad (171)$$

$$S_2 \equiv \frac{k(\varepsilon)}{2} \lambda_{\min}^* \quad (172)$$

$$\varphi_{T_l}^i(\varepsilon) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial u_{op,i}}{\partial x_{se}} \right)^{\rightarrow*} q_{noise_1} & \dots & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial u_{op,i}}{\partial x_{se}} \right)^{\rightarrow*} q_{noise_p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \varepsilon^{d_{rd,i}} \left(\frac{\partial L_f^{d_{rd,i}-1} u_{op,i}}{\partial x_{se}} \right)^{\rightarrow*} q_{noise_1} & \dots & \varepsilon^{d_{rd,i}} \left(\frac{\partial L_f^{d_{rd,i}-1} u_{op,i}}{\partial x_{se}} \right)^{\rightarrow*} q_{noise_p} \end{bmatrix} \quad (173)$$

Moreover, the tracking errors of the nonlinear system is globally reduced with the exponentially convergent rate

$$\frac{S \cdot S_2}{Q_{\max}} \quad (174)$$

where

$$Q_{\max} \equiv \frac{k}{2} \lambda_{\max}^* \quad (175)$$

and the exponentially convergent radius

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{S_1}{S \cdot S_2}} \quad (176)$$

FLHBRs have good mobility and can easily move in different road environments, including up and down slopes, regions containing obstacles or rough terrains. However, since almost all of them are high order, highly nonlinear control systems, their global stability and robust control approach are important issues. In this study, an effective

algorithm and block diagram of robust tracking control design shown in Figure 2 are summarized as follows, and its human-machine interface via the Python program is shown to design the robust control in Section 4.

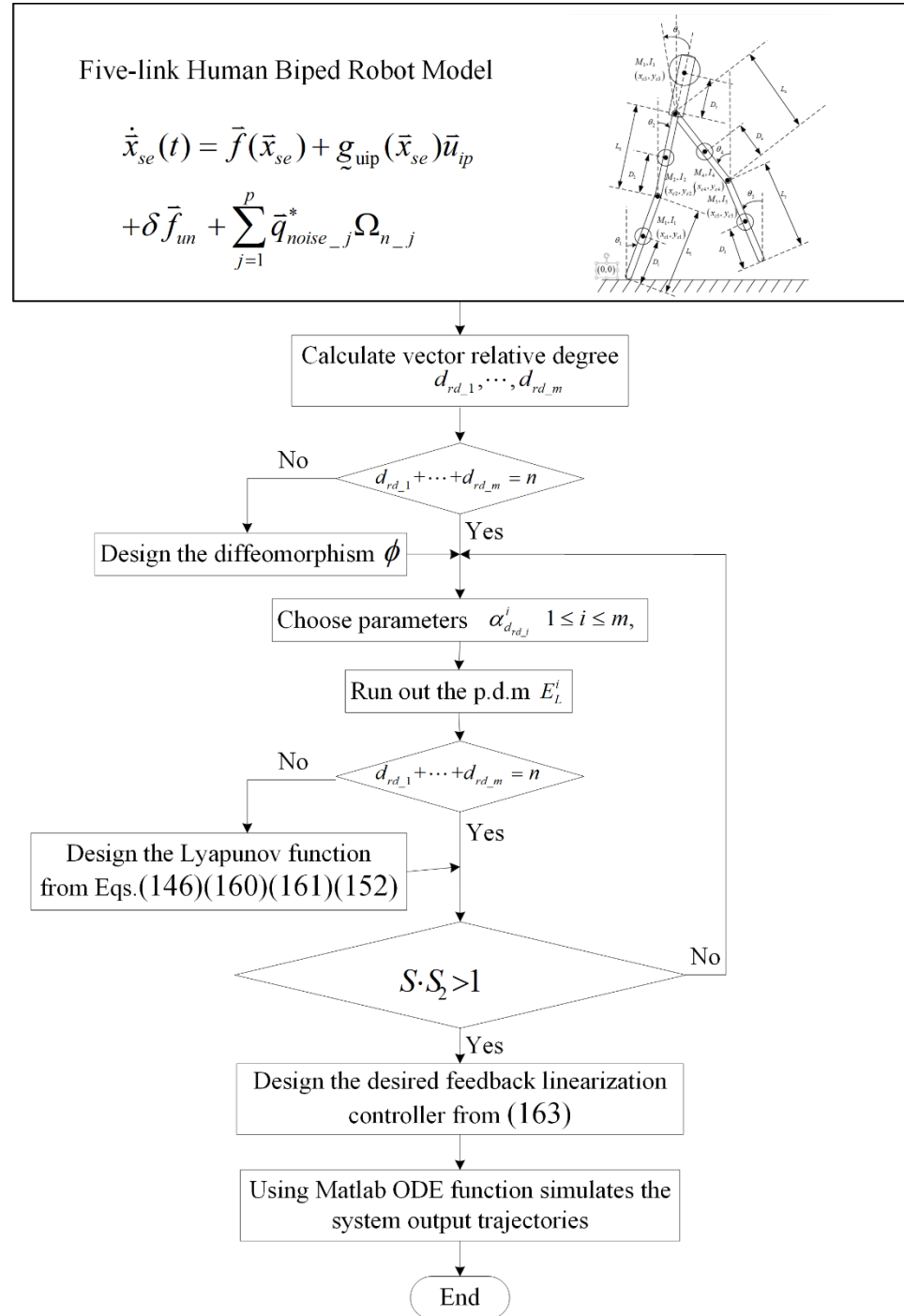


Figure 2. Block diagram for the proposed algorithm of designing the feedback linearization control.

(Step 1) First calculate the relative degree $d_{rd_1}, \dots, d_{rd_m}$ according to the known outputs of the FLHBR system.

(Step 2) Use (57) to derive the differentiable, smooth and bijective transformation of the FLHBR system.

(Step 3) With the aid of Matlab, design matrices A_L^i to be Hurwitz according to (88) (113) and obtain the positive definite matrix E_L^i .

(Step 4) Apply (A90)~(A91) to design the Lyapunov function $L_{f,l}$ of the transformed subsystem.

(Step 5) Apply (A93) and (A95)~(A98) to design parameters $k, \alpha_s(\varepsilon), \varepsilon$ such that the condition $S \cdot S_2 > 1$ is satisfied.

(Step 6) Once all the above conditions are tested, we can directly design the controller via (89).

4. Simulation of the FLHBR System

Proper designing $\varepsilon = 0.1, k = 200\sqrt{\varepsilon}, d_{rd_1} = 2, d_{rd_2} = 2, d_{rd_3} = 2, d_{rd_4} = 2, d_{rd_5} = 2, \alpha_s = 4.961, P = 9.922, S = 9.922, S_1 = 0.1304, S_2 = 0.158, S \cdot S_2 = 1.56 > 1$ proves the fact that all the conditions of Theorem 2 are satisfied. The output state trajectories of the FLHBR system for $\varepsilon = 0.1$ and $\varepsilon = 0.2$ are shown in Figures 3 and 4, respectively, with the aid of Matlab, where the related simulation parameters are shown in Table 1. Noting that the proposed feedback linearization control indeed makes the outputs of the FLHBR system track the desired tracking signals $u_{op_track}^1 = u_{op_track}^2 = u_{op_track}^3 = u_{op_track}^4 = u_{op_track}^5 = 0$. Based on the comparison of Figures 3 and 4, it is evident to see that the convergent rates of output tracking errors for the FLHBR system with small ε are better than large ε .

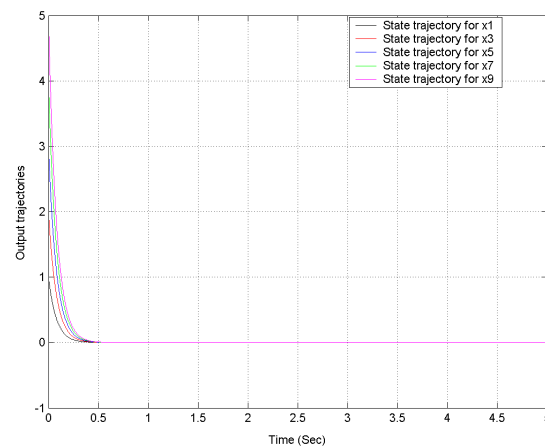


Figure 3. The output state trajectories for $\varepsilon = 0.1$.

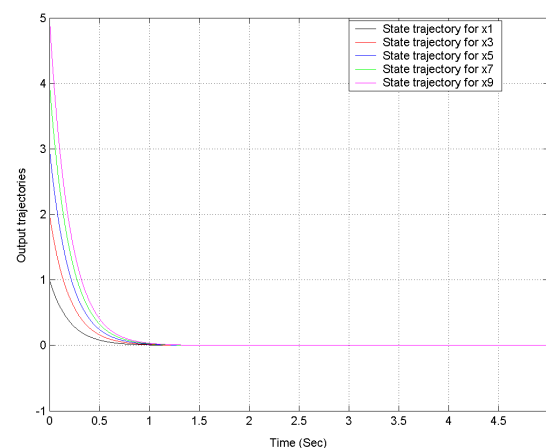
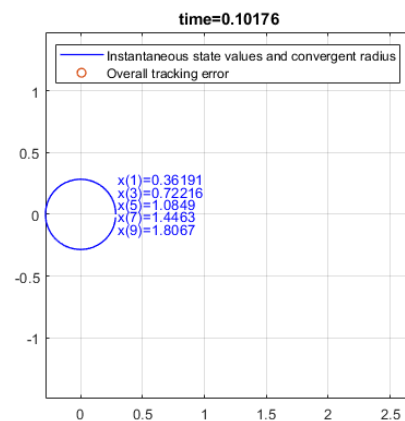
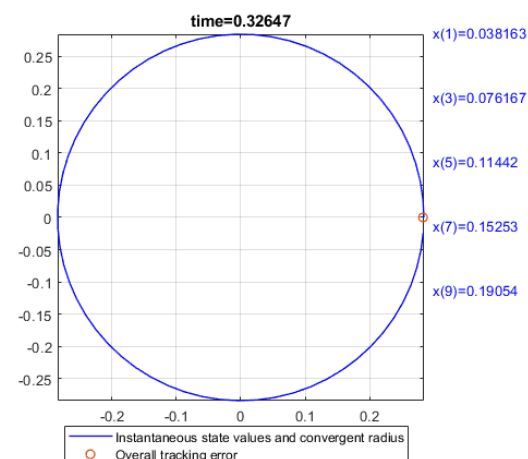


Figure 4. The output state trajectories for $\varepsilon = 0.2$.

Table 1. The related simulation parameters.

| Parameters | Value or Type |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Step size | auto |
| Numerical method | ode45 (Dormand–Prince) |
| Solver options | Variable step |
| Relative tolerance | 1×10^{-3} |
| Absolute tolerance | 1×10^{-6} |
| Output function | Refine output |

To allow researchers to systematically design the proposed feedback linearization control, we apply “Python” to build a human–machine interface system. The necessary inputs of the human–machine interface system include: (i) the dynamic equation of the nonlinear FLHBR system; (ii) the numbers of states, outputs, inputs and the desired tracking signals of the nonlinear FLHBR system; (iii) the external disturbances, the Lyapunov functions for transformed subsystems. The human–machine interface system of the controller design takes advantage of its symbol-operation feature for “Python” to produce two executable Matlab files including `cytquadff_new1.m` and `cytquadsimulation_new1.m` for the FLHBR system. Therefore, we can execute these two executable Matlab files to dynamically show the output state trajectories before, on and after entering the convergent radius $r \approx 0.288$ of the global ultimate attractor symbolized by blue circles shown in Figures 5–7, respectively.

**Figure 5.** Output state values before entering the convergent radius.**Figure 6.** Output state values on entering the convergent radius.

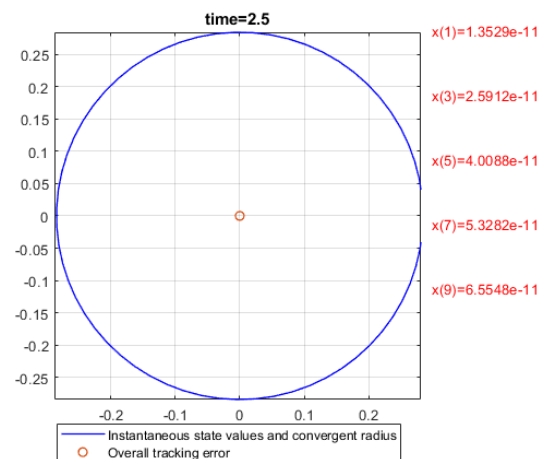


Figure 7. Output state values after entering the convergent radius.

5. Comparisons to Traditional Approaches

We make some comparisons between the new feedback linearization approach and the traditional singular perturbation method that pioneered the almost disturbance decoupling issue [23,24] in this section. The impractical shortcoming of the traditional singular perturbation method requires to meet the sufficient condition that the system dynamics multiplied by the external disturbance should satisfy the annoying “structural triangle condition” for the almost disturbance decoupling issue. The pioneering work carried out by [23,24] points out the fact that the following nonlinear control system cannot well address the almost disturbance decoupling issue:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_{se_1}(t) \\ \dot{x}_{se_2}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tan^{-1}(x_{se_2}) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u_{ip} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Omega_n \quad (177)$$

$$u_{op_1} = x_{se_1}, \Omega_n(t) = 0.8 \sin 2t \quad (178)$$

From (177) and (178), we can apply Lie differentiation to derive the following results:

$$L_f^0 u_{op_1} = u_{op_1} = x_{se_1}, L_{g_{uip}} L_f^0 u_{op_1} = 0, L_f^1 u_{op_1} = \tan^{-1}(x_{se_2}), \\ L_{g_{uip}} L_f^1 u_{op_1} = \frac{1}{1+x_{se_2}^2} \text{ and}$$

$$\tilde{g}_{uip} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{L_{g_{uip}} L_f^1 u_{op_1}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1+x_{se_2}^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (179)$$

Since \tilde{g}_{uip} is not a complete distribution, the critical condition of [23,24] is not well addressed. In contrast, the following proposed feedback linearization control can well solve the almost disturbance decoupling issue:

$$u_{ip} = (x_{se_2}^2 + 1) [(\cos t) - 256(x_{se_1} - (-\cos t)) - 16(\tan^{-1} x_{se_2} - (\sin t))] \quad (180)$$

The output state trajectory of the above investigated control system with the proposed feedback linearization control described by (180) is shown in Figure 8. Based on the observation of Figure 8, the proposed robust control can indeed drive the output state trajectory to track the desired signal $-\cos t$.

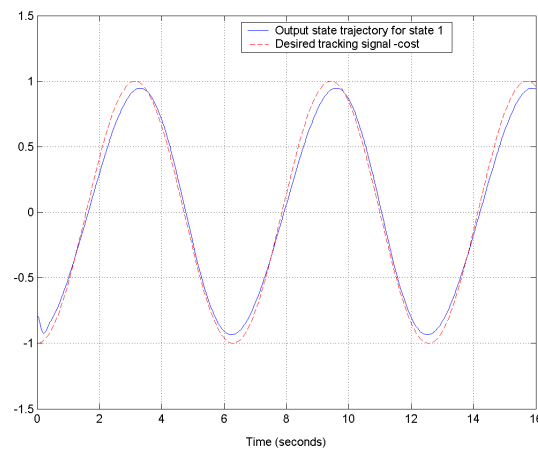


Figure 8. The system output trajectory for (177).

To show the superiority of the proposed feedback linearization control, we compare the convergence rate performance with traditional PID control [34] shown by (181)

$$\vec{u}_{PID} = K_P \begin{bmatrix} y_{o1} - y_{od}^1 \\ y_{o2} - y_{od}^2 \\ y_{o3} - y_{od}^3 \\ y_{o4} - y_{od}^4 \end{bmatrix} + K_I \begin{bmatrix} \int (y_{o1} - y_{od}^1) dt \\ \int (y_{o2} - y_{od}^2) dt \\ \int (y_{o3} - y_{od}^3) dt \\ \int (y_{o4} - y_{od}^4) dt \end{bmatrix} + K_D \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dt} (y_{o1} - y_{od}^1) \\ \frac{d}{dt} (y_{o2} - y_{od}^2) \\ \frac{d}{dt} (y_{o3} - y_{od}^3) \\ \frac{d}{dt} (y_{o4} - y_{od}^4) \end{bmatrix} \quad (181)$$

Next, we compare the proposed feedback linearization approach with the traditional PID control. In what follows, manual adjusting of the traditional PID control for the FLHBR system is shown. The manual adjusting of the related KP, KI, KD gains is executed by trial and error. We first set the related KP, KI, KD gains to be zero and then increase the proportional gain KP until the output of the loop is motivated. This is followed by the adjustment for the integral gain KI to optimize the output tracking error response. Finally, the differential gain KD is adjusted, together with the optimized KP, KI gains until a desired output tracking error response is achieved. Output tracking errors responses for pre-specified outputs x1 to x5 are shown in Figure 9.

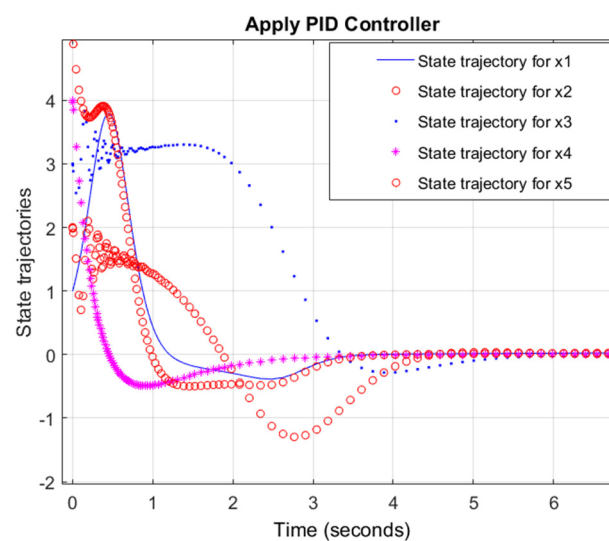


Figure 9. The output trajectories by using PID controller.

Comparing Figure 9 with Figure 3 proves the fact that the convergence rate with our proposed feedback linearization controller is better than the conventional PID control. From

Figures 3 and 9, we can summarize a numerical evaluation shown in Table 2 which reports the quantitative comparison in terms of transient dynamics for the proposed approach and the PID approach. Observing the data shown in Table 2 yields the fact that the transient dynamics of the proposed feedback linearization approach is better than the PID approach.

Table 2. Comparison of transient dynamics for proposed approach and PID approach.

| | | Peak Time | Settling Time | Rise Time | Maximum Overshoot |
|-------------------|----|-----------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|
| PID approach | x1 | 0.4 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 3.8 |
| | x2 | 0.05 | 4.5 | 0.02 | 2.1 |
| | x3 | 0.1 | 5.8 | 0.05 | 3.7 |
| | x4 | 0 | 3.4 | 0 | 0 |
| | x5 | 0.4 | 3.8 | 0.3 | 3.8 |
| Proposed approach | x1 | 0 | 0.75 | 0 | 0 |
| | x2 | 0 | 0.75 | 0 | 0 |
| | x3 | 0 | 0.8 | 0 | 0 |
| | x4 | 0 | 0.8 | 0 | 0 |
| | x5 | 0 | 0.9 | 0 | 0 |

6. Conclusions

The FLHBR system possesses highly nonlinear dynamics and many degrees of freedom that are not easy to manipulate. The FLHBR system is also unavoidably subjected to all kinds of external disturbances such as contact with the ground and different ground situations. As a result, accurately modeling the dynamics and walking stability of FLHBR systems are greatly difficult. The study first presents the complete derivations of a mathematical model for highly nonlinear FLHBR systems, and proposes the robust control by the feedback linearization technique to greatly improve the shortcoming of the traditional singular perturbation approach that requires to meet the difficult complete condition for the discriminant function, and the restriction of the traditional H-infinity technique that needs to solve the Hamilton–Jacobi equation.

This study first proposes the very valuable formulas of nonlinear exponential convergence rate and convergent radius for the highly nonlinear FLHBR system. Finally, through the demonstration of the Matlab simulation, the responses are shown to have good tracking performance as well as better robustness performance as compared with the traditional singular perturbation method. In the final section, we compare some simulations of the proposed feedback linearization approach with the traditional PID approach. The simulation results show that the transient dynamics of the proposed approach including the peak time, the rise time, the settling time and the maximum overshoot specifications is superior to the traditional PID approach.

In future works, we hope that a real FLHBR system using the proposed main theorem can be implemented via hardware devices. Based on the important contribution that this article has first proposed on the convergence rate formula of the general nonlinear system, we may use the particle swarm optimization and linear quadratic regulator algorithms to achieve the more optimal performances for nonlinear FLHBR system under the guarantee of globally exponential stability in the near future.

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Appendix A

In this appendix, we show the complete derivations of the mathematical model for nonlinear FLHBR system. Based on the geometric coordinate of the FLHBR system shown in Figure 1, the coordinate (x_{ci}, y_{ci}) and velocity $(\dot{x}_{ci}, \dot{y}_{ci})$, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ of each link is written as

$$x_{c1} = D_1 \sin \theta_1 \quad (A1)$$

$$y_{c1} = D_1 \cos \theta_1 \quad (A2)$$

$$x_{c2} = L_1 \sin \theta_1 + D_2 \sin \theta_2 \quad (A3)$$

$$y_{c2} = L_1 \cos \theta_1 + D_2 \cos \theta_2 \quad (A4)$$

$$x_{c3} = L_1 \sin \theta_1 + L_2 \sin \theta_2 + D_3 \sin \theta_3 \quad (A5)$$

$$y_{c3} = L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos \theta_2 + D_3 \cos \theta_3 \quad (A6)$$

$$x_{c4} = L_1 \sin \theta_1 + L_2 \sin \theta_2 + (L_4 - D_4) \sin \theta_4 \quad (A7)$$

$$y_{c4} = L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos \theta_2 - (L_4 - D_4) \cos \theta_4 \quad (A8)$$

$$x_{c5} = L_1 \sin \theta_1 + L_2 \sin \theta_2 + L_4 \sin \theta_4 + (L_5 - D_5) \sin \theta_5 \quad (A9)$$

$$y_{c5} = L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos \theta_2 - L_4 \cos \theta_4 - (L_5 - D_5) \cos \theta_5 \quad (A10)$$

According to (A1)~(A10), the kinetic energy and the potential energy of the FLHBR system, and related differentiations can be derived as

$$\begin{aligned} E_{potential} = & M_1 D_1 G (\cos \theta_1) + M_2 G (L_1 \cos \theta_1 + D_2 \cos \theta_2) \\ & + M_3 G (L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos \theta_2 + D_3 \cos \theta_3) \\ & + M_4 G (L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos \theta_2 - (L_4 - D_4) \cos \theta_4) \\ & + M_5 G (L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos \theta_2 - L_4 \cos \theta_4 - (L_5 - D_5) \cos \theta_5) \end{aligned} \quad (A11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial E_{potential}}{\partial \theta_1} & \equiv G_1 \\ & = -G \sin \theta_1 [M_1 D_1 + (M_2 + M_3 + M_4 + M_5) L_1] \end{aligned} \quad (A12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial E_{potential}}{\partial \theta_2} & \equiv G_2 \\ & = -G \sin \theta_2 [M_2 D_2 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5) L_2] \end{aligned} \quad (A13)$$

$$\frac{\partial E_{potential}}{\partial \theta_3} \equiv G_3 = -G \sin \theta_3 [M_3 D_3] \quad (A14)$$

$$\frac{\partial E_{potential}}{\partial \theta_4} \equiv G_4 = G \sin \theta_4 [M_4 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_4] \quad (A15)$$

$$\frac{\partial E_{potential}}{\partial \theta_5} \equiv G_5 = G \sin \theta_5 [M_5 (L_5 - D_5)] \quad (A16)$$

$$K_{kinetic_1} \equiv \frac{1}{2}M_1(v_{c1})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_1(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 = \frac{1}{2}M_1(\dot{x}_{c1})^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_1(\dot{y}_{c1})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_1(\dot{\theta}_1)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}M_1(D_1 \cos \theta_1 (\dot{\theta}_1))^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_1(D_1 \sin \theta_1 (\dot{\theta}_1))^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_1(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 = \frac{1}{2}(M_1 D_1^2 + I_1)(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 \quad (A17)$$

$$K_{kinetic_2} \equiv \frac{1}{2}M_2(v_{c2})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_2(\dot{\theta}_2)^2 = \frac{1}{2}M_2(\dot{x}_{c2})^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_2(\dot{y}_{c2})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_2(\dot{\theta}_2)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(M_2 D_2^2 + I_2)(\dot{\theta}_2)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(M_2 L_1^2)(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + (M_2 D_2 L_1) \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_2) \quad (A18)$$

$$K_{kinetic_3} \equiv \frac{1}{2}M_3(v_{c3})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_3(\dot{\theta}_3)^2 = \frac{1}{2}M_3(\dot{x}_{c3})^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_3(\dot{y}_{c3})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_3(\dot{\theta}_3)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(M_3 D_3^2 + I_3)(\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_3 \left\{ L_1^2(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + L_2^2(\dot{\theta}_2)^2 + 2L_1 L_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_2) \right.$$

$$\left. + 2L_1 D_3 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_3)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_3) + 2L_2 D_3 \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3)(\dot{\theta}_2)(\dot{\theta}_3) \right\} \quad (A19)$$

$$K_{kinetic_4} \equiv \frac{1}{2}M_4(v_{c4})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_4(\dot{\theta}_4)^2 = \frac{1}{2}M_4(\dot{x}_{c4})^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_4(\dot{y}_{c4})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_4(\dot{\theta}_4)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(M_4(L_4 - D_4)^2 + I_4)(\dot{\theta}_4)^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_4 \left\{ L_1^2(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + L_2(\dot{\theta}_2)^2 + 2L_1 L_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_2) \right.$$

$$\left. + 2L_1(L_4 - D_4) \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_4) + 2L_2(L_4 - D_4) \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_4)(\dot{\theta}_2)(\dot{\theta}_4) \right\} \quad (A20)$$

$$K_{kinetic_5} \equiv \frac{1}{2}M_5(v_{c5})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_5(\dot{\theta}_5)^2 = \frac{1}{2}M_5(\dot{x}_{c5})^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_5(\dot{y}_{c5})^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_5(\dot{\theta}_5)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(M_5(L_5 - D_5)^2 + I_5)(\dot{\theta}_5)^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_5 \left\{ L_1^2(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + L_2(\dot{\theta}_2)^2 + 2L_1 L_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_2) \right.$$

$$\left. + 2L_1 L_4 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_4) + 2L_2 L_4 \cos(\theta_2 + \theta_4)(\dot{\theta}_2)(\dot{\theta}_4) + 2L_1(L_5 - D_5) \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_5) \right.$$

$$\left. (\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_5) + 2L_2(L_5 - D_5) \cos(\theta_2 + \theta_5)(\dot{\theta}_2)(\dot{\theta}_5) + 2L_4(L_5 - D_5) \cos(\theta_4 - \theta_5)(\dot{\theta}_4)(\dot{\theta}_5) \right\} \quad (A21)$$

$$E_{kinetic} = K_{kinetic_1} + K_{kinetic_2} + K_{kinetic_3} + K_{kinetic_4} + K_{kinetic_5} \quad (A22)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial E_{kinetic}}{\partial \dot{\theta}_1} \right) = D_{11}\ddot{\theta}_1 + D_{12}\ddot{\theta}_2 + D_{13}\ddot{\theta}_3 + D_{14}\ddot{\theta}_4 + D_{15}\ddot{\theta}_5 + H_{122}(\dot{\theta}_2)^2 + H_{133}(\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + H_{144}(\dot{\theta}_4)^2$$

$$+ H_{155}(\dot{\theta}_5)^2 - [M_2 D_2 L_1 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5)L_1 L_2] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_2)$$

$$- [M_3 L_1 D_3] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_3)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_3) - [M_4 L_1(L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_1 L_4] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_4)$$

$$- [M_5 L_1(L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_5)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_5) \quad (A23)$$

$$D_{11} \equiv [I_1 + M_1 D_1^2 + (M_2 + M_3 + M_4 + M_5)L_1^2] \quad (A24)$$

$$D_{12} \equiv [M_2 D_2 L_1 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5)L_1 L_2] \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \quad (A25)$$

$$D_{13} \equiv [M_3 L_1 D_3] \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_3) \quad (A26)$$

$$D_{14} \equiv [M_4 L_1(L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_1 L_4] \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \quad (A27)$$

$$D_{15} \equiv [M_5 L_1(L_5 - D_5)] \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_5) \quad (A28)$$

$$H_{122} \equiv [M_2 D_2 L_1 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5)L_1 L_2] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \quad (A29)$$

$$H_{133} \equiv [M_3 L_1 D_3] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_3) \quad (A30)$$

$$H_{144} \equiv -[M_4 L_1(L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_1 L_4] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \quad (A31)$$

$$H_{155} \equiv -[M_5 L_1(L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_5) \quad (A32)$$

$$\frac{\partial E_{kinetic}}{\partial \theta_1} = -[M_2 D_2 L_1 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5)L_1 L_2] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_2)$$

$$- [M_3 L_1 D_3] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_3)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_3) - [M_4 L_1(L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_1 L_4] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_4)$$

$$- [M_5 L_1(L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_5)(\dot{\theta}_1)(\dot{\theta}_5) \quad (A33)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial E_{kinetic}}{\partial \dot{\theta}_2} \right) &= D_{21} \ddot{\theta}_1 + D_{22} \ddot{\theta}_2 + D_{23} \ddot{\theta}_3 + D_{24} \ddot{\theta}_4 + D_{25} \ddot{\theta}_5 + H_{211} (\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + H_{233} (\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + H_{244} (\dot{\theta}_4)^2 \\ &+ H_{255} (\dot{\theta}_5)^2 + [M_2 L_1 D_2 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5) L_1 L_2] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) (\dot{\theta}_1) (\dot{\theta}_2) \\ &- [M_3 L_2 D_3] \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_3) - [M_4 L_2 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_2 L_4] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_4) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_4) \\ &- [M_5 L_2 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_5) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_5) \end{aligned} \quad (A34)$$

$$D_{21} \equiv [M_2 L_1 D_2 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5) L_1 L_2] \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) = D_{12} \quad (A35)$$

$$D_{22} \equiv [I_2 + M_2 D_2^2 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5) L_2^2] \quad (A36)$$

$$D_{23} \equiv [M_3 L_2 D_3] \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) \quad (A37)$$

$$D_{24} \equiv [M_4 L_2 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_2 L_4] \cos(\theta_2 + \theta_4) \quad (A38)$$

$$D_{25} \equiv [M_5 L_2 (L_5 - D_5)] \cos(\theta_2 + \theta_5) \quad (A39)$$

$$H_{211} \equiv -[M_2 L_1 D_2 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5) L_1 L_2] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \quad (A40)$$

$$H_{233} \equiv [M_3 L_2 D_3] \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) \quad (A41)$$

$$H_{244} \equiv -[M_4 L_2 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_2 L_4] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_4) \quad (A42)$$

$$H_{255} \equiv -[M_5 L_2 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_5) \quad (A43)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial E_{kinetic}}{\partial \dot{\theta}_2} &= [M_2 L_1 D_2 + (M_3 + M_4 + M_5) L_1 L_2] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) (\dot{\theta}_1) (\dot{\theta}_2) \\ &- [M_3 L_2 D_3] \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_3) - [M_4 L_2 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_2 L_4] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_4) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_4) \\ &- [M_5 L_2 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_5) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_5) \end{aligned} \quad (A44)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial E_{kinetic}}{\partial \dot{\theta}_3} \right) &= D_{31} \ddot{\theta}_1 + D_{32} \ddot{\theta}_2 + D_{33} \ddot{\theta}_3 + D_{34} \ddot{\theta}_4 + D_{35} \ddot{\theta}_5 + H_{311} (\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + H_{322} (\dot{\theta}_2)^2 \\ &+ H_{344} (\dot{\theta}_4)^2 + H_{355} (\dot{\theta}_5)^2 + [M_3 L_1 D_3] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_3) (\dot{\theta}_1) (\dot{\theta}_3) + [M_3 L_2 D_3] \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_3) \end{aligned} \quad (A45)$$

$$D_{31} \equiv [M_3 L_1 D_3] \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_3) = D_{13} \quad (A46)$$

$$D_{32} \equiv [M_3 L_2 D_3] \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_3) = D_{23} \quad (A47)$$

$$D_{33} \equiv [I_3 + M_3 D_3^2] \quad (A48)$$

$$D_{34} \equiv 0 \quad (A49)$$

$$D_{35} \equiv 0 \quad (A50)$$

$$H_{311} \equiv -[M_3 L_1 D_3] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_3) \quad (A51)$$

$$H_{322} \equiv -[M_3 L_2 D_3] \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) \quad (A52)$$

$$H_{344} \equiv 0 \quad (A53)$$

$$H_{355} \equiv 0 \quad (A54)$$

$$\frac{\partial E_{kinetic}}{\partial \dot{\theta}_3} = [M_3 L_1 D_3] \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_3) (\dot{\theta}_1) (\dot{\theta}_3) + [M_3 L_2 D_3] \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_3) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_3) \quad (A55)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial E_{kinetic}}{\partial \dot{\theta}_4} \right) &= D_{41} \ddot{\theta}_1 + D_{42} \ddot{\theta}_2 + D_{43} \ddot{\theta}_3 + D_{44} \ddot{\theta}_4 + D_{45} \ddot{\theta}_5 + H_{411} (\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + H_{422} (\dot{\theta}_2)^2 \\ &+ H_{433} (\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + H_{455} (\dot{\theta}_5)^2 - [M_4 L_1 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_1 L_4] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) (\dot{\theta}_1) (\dot{\theta}_4) \\ &- [M_4 L_2 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_2 L_4] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_4) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_4) \\ &- [M_5 L_4 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_4 - \theta_5) (\dot{\theta}_4) (\dot{\theta}_5) \end{aligned} \quad (A56)$$

$$D_{41} \equiv [M_4 L_1 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_1 L_4] \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) = D_{14} \quad (A57)$$

$$D_{42} \equiv [M_4 L_2 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_2 L_4] \cos(\theta_2 + \theta_4) = D_{24} \quad (A58)$$

$$D_{43} \equiv 0 = D_{34} \quad (A59)$$

$$D_{44} \equiv [I_4 + M_4 (L_4 - D_4)^2 + M_5 L_4^2] \quad (A60)$$

$$D_{45} \equiv [M_5 L_4 (L_5 - D_5)] \cos(\theta_4 - \theta_5) = D_{54} \quad (A61)$$

$$H_{411} \equiv -[M_4 L_1 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_1 L_4] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \quad (A62)$$

$$H_{422} \equiv -[M_4 L_2 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_2 L_4] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_4) \quad (A63)$$

$$H_{433} \equiv 0 \quad (A64)$$

$$H_{455} \equiv [M_5 L_4 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_4 - \theta_5) \quad (A65)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial E_{kinetic}}{\partial \theta_4} = & -[M_4 L_1 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_1 L_4] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) (\dot{\theta}_1) (\dot{\theta}_4) \\ & -[M_4 L_2 (L_4 - D_4) + M_5 L_2 L_4] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_4) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_4) \\ & -[M_5 L_4 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_4 - \theta_5) (\dot{\theta}_4) (\dot{\theta}_5) \end{aligned} \quad (A66)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial E_{kinetic}}{\partial \dot{\theta}_5} \right) = & D_{51} \ddot{\theta}_1 + D_{52} \ddot{\theta}_2 + D_{53} \ddot{\theta}_3 + D_{54} \ddot{\theta}_4 + D_{55} \ddot{\theta}_5 + H_{511} (\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + H_{522} (\dot{\theta}_2)^2 \\ & + H_{533} (\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + H_{544} (\dot{\theta}_4)^2 - [M_5 L_1 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_5) (\dot{\theta}_1) (\dot{\theta}_5) \\ & - [M_5 L_2 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_5) (\dot{\theta}_2) (\dot{\theta}_5) - [M_5 L_4 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_4 - \theta_5) (\dot{\theta}_4) (\dot{\theta}_5) \end{aligned} \quad (A67)$$

$$D_{51} \equiv [M_5 L_1 (L_5 - D_5)] \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_5) = D_{15} \quad (A68)$$

$$D_{52} \equiv [M_5 L_2 (L_5 - D_5)] \cos(\theta_2 + \theta_5) = D_{25} \quad (A69)$$

$$D_{53} \equiv 0 = D_{35} \quad (A70)$$

$$D_{54} \equiv [M_5 L_4 (L_5 - D_5)] \cos(\theta_4 - \theta_5) = D_{45} \quad (A71)$$

$$D_{55} \equiv [I_5 + M_5 (L_5 - D_5)^2] \quad (A72)$$

$$H_{511} \equiv -[M_5 L_1 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_5) \quad (A73)$$

$$H_{522} \equiv -[M_5 L_2 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_5) \quad (A74)$$

$$H_{533} \equiv 0 \quad (A75)$$

$$H_{544} \equiv -[M_5 L_4 (L_5 - D_5)] \sin(\theta_4 - \theta_5) \quad (A76)$$

where $M_1 = M_5 = 4.55$ kg, $M_2 = M_4 = 7.63$ kg, $M_3 = 49.00$ kg are the masses of link1~link5, M_2, M_4 denote the masses of exoskeleton thighs, M_1, M_5 denote the masses of legs, M_3 denotes the mass of torso, $L_1 = L_5 = 0.502$ m, $L_2 = L_4 = 0.431$ m are the lengths of link1, 2, 4, 5, $D_1 = D_5 = 0.247$ m, $D_2 = D_4 = 0.247$ m, $D_3 = 0.280$ m are the distances between the mass centers of link1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and those lower joints, $I_1 = I_5 = 0.105$ kg · m², $I_2 = I_4 = 0.089$ kg · m², $I_3 = 2.350$ kg · m² are the moments of rotational inertias for link1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and $G = 9.8$ m/s² is the acceleration of gravity.

Substituting (A12)~(A76) into (1)~(2) yields

$$\left[\bar{D} \left(\begin{matrix} \ddot{\theta} \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{matrix} \right) \right] \ddot{\theta} + \left[\bar{H} \left(\begin{matrix} \ddot{\theta} \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{matrix} \right) \right] + \bar{G} \left(\begin{matrix} \ddot{\theta} \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{matrix} \right) = \left[\bar{\tau} \left(\begin{matrix} \ddot{\theta} \\ \ddot{\theta} \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{matrix} \right) \right] \quad (A77)$$

where

$$\bar{D} \left(\begin{matrix} \ddot{\theta} \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{matrix} \right) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} & D_{13} & D_{14} & D_{15} \\ D_{12} & D_{22} & D_{23} & D_{24} & D_{25} \\ D_{13} & D_{23} & D_{33} & 0 & 0 \\ D_{14} & D_{24} & 0 & D_{44} & D_{45} \\ D_{15} & D_{25} & 0 & D_{45} & D_{55} \end{bmatrix} \quad (A78)$$

$$\underline{H} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\theta} \\ \dot{\vec{\theta}} \end{pmatrix} \equiv [H_1 \ H_2 \ H_3 \ H_4 \ H_5]^T \quad (\text{A79})$$

$$H_1 = H_{122}(\dot{\theta}_2)^2 + H_{133}(\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + H_{144}(\dot{\theta}_4)^2 + H_{155}(\dot{\theta}_5)^2 \quad (\text{A80})$$

$$H_2 = H_{211}(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + H_{233}(\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + H_{244}(\dot{\theta}_4)^2 + H_{255}(\dot{\theta}_5)^2 \quad (\text{A81})$$

$$H_3 = H_{311}(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + H_{322}(\dot{\theta}_2)^2 + H_{344}(\dot{\theta}_4)^2 + H_{355}(\dot{\theta}_5)^2 \quad (\text{A82})$$

$$H_4 = H_{411}(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + H_{422}(\dot{\theta}_2)^2 + H_{433}(\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + H_{455}(\dot{\theta}_5)^2 \quad (\text{A83})$$

$$H_5 = H_{511}(\dot{\theta}_1)^2 + H_{533}(\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + H_{533}(\dot{\theta}_3)^2 + H_{544}(\dot{\theta}_4)^2 \quad (\text{A84})$$

$$\underline{G} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\theta} \end{pmatrix} \equiv [G_1 \ G_2 \ G_3 \ G_4 \ G_5]^T \quad (\text{A85})$$

$$\vec{\theta} \equiv [\theta_1 \ \theta_2 \ \theta_3 \ \theta_4 \ \theta_5]^T \quad (\text{A86})$$

$$\ddot{\vec{\theta}} \equiv [\ddot{\theta}_1 \ \ddot{\theta}_2 \ \ddot{\theta}_3 \ \ddot{\theta}_4 \ \ddot{\theta}_5]^T \quad (\text{A87})$$

$$\dot{\vec{\theta}} \equiv [\dot{\theta}_1 \ \dot{\theta}_2 \ \dot{\theta}_3 \ \dot{\theta}_4 \ \dot{\theta}_5]^T \quad (\text{A88})$$

$$\vec{\tau} \equiv [\tau_1 \ \tau_2 \ \tau_3 \ \tau_4 \ \tau_5]^T \quad (\text{A89})$$

Define the input, output, state, noise and matched uncertainty variables of the FLHBR to be $\vec{u}_{ip} \equiv [\tau_1 \ \cdots \ \tau_5]^T = [u_{ip_1} \ \cdots \ u_{ip_5}]^T$, $\vec{u}_{op} \equiv [\theta_1 \ \cdots \ \theta_5]^T$, $\vec{x}_{se} \equiv [x_{se_1} \ \cdots \ x_{se_{10}}]^T$, $x_{se_1} = \theta_1$, $x_{se_2} = \dot{\theta}_1$, $x_{se_3} = \theta_2$, $x_{se_4} = \dot{\theta}_2$, $x_{se_5} = \theta_3$, $x_{se_6} = \dot{\theta}_3$, $x_{se_7} = \theta_4$, $x_{se_8} = \dot{\theta}_4$, $x_{se_9} = \theta_5$, $x_{se_{10}} = \dot{\theta}_5$, $\sum_{j=1}^p q_{noise_j}^* \Omega_{n_j}$, $\sum_{j=1}^p q_{noise_j}^* \Omega_{un_j}$. Then the dynamic equation of the FLHBR system can be derived shown in (3)~(51).

Appendix B

In this appendix, we prove that the proposed feedback linearization control can achieve the almost all disturbance decoupling performance. Properly design the composite Lyapunov functions [35] L_{f_l} for transformed subsystem (125)~(126) to be

$$L_{f_l} = k [L_{f_l}^1 + \cdots + L_{f_l}^5] \quad (\text{A90})$$

and

$$L_{f_l}^i \equiv \frac{1}{2} \overline{e_{tr_track}^i}^T \overline{E_L^i e_{tr_track}^i} \quad (\text{A91})$$

Then, the differentiation of the composite Lyapunov function is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f,l}) &= \frac{k}{2} \left[\left(\overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \right)^T E_L^1 \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} + \left(\overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \right)^T E_L^1 \left(\overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \cdots + \left(\overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right)^T E_L^5 \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} + \left(\overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right)^T E_L^5 \left(\overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{k}{2\varepsilon} \left(\overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \right)^T \left[E_L^1 (A_L^1) + (A_L^1)^T E_L^1 \right] \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} + \cdots + \frac{k}{2\varepsilon} \left(\overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right)^T \left[E_L^5 (A_L^5) + (A_L^5)^T E_L^5 \right] \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \\
&\quad + \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left\{ \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right)^T \left[\left(\varphi_{T_l}^1 \right)^T E_L^1 \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} + \cdots + \left(\varphi_{T_l}^5 \right)^T E_L^5 \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right] \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left\{ \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right)^T \left[\left(\varphi_{T_l}^1 \right)^T E_L^1 \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} + \cdots + \left(\varphi_{T_l}^5 \right)^T E_L^5 \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right] \right\} \\
&\leq -\frac{k}{2\varepsilon} \left[\left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \right\|^2 + \cdots + \left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right\|^2 \right] + \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left\{ \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right)^T \left[\left(\varphi_{T_l}^1 \right)^T E_L^1 \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} + \cdots + \left(\varphi_{T_l}^5 \right)^T E_L^5 \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right] \right\} \\
&\leq -\frac{k}{2\varepsilon} \left[\left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \right\|^2 + \cdots + \left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right\|^2 \right] + \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left[\left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\| \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left(\left\| \varphi_{T_l}^1 \right\| \left\| E_L^1 \right\| \left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \right\| + \cdots + \left\| \varphi_{T_l}^5 \right\| \left\| E_L^5 \right\| \left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right\| \right) \right] \\
&\leq -\frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left[\frac{L_{f,l}^1}{\lambda_{\max}(E_L^1)} + \cdots + \frac{L_{f,l}^5}{\lambda_{\max}(E_L^5)} \right] + \frac{529}{46} \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon^2} \left\| \varphi_{T_l}^1 \right\|^2 \left\| E_L^1 \right\|^2 \left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \right\|^2 + \frac{1}{46} \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 \\
&\quad + \cdots + \frac{529}{46} \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon^2} \left\| \varphi_{T_l}^5 \right\|^2 \left\| E_L^5 \right\|^2 \left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right\|^2 + \frac{1}{46} \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 \\
&\leq -\frac{k}{\varepsilon} \frac{1}{\lambda_{\max}^*} L_{f,l} + \frac{529}{46} \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon^2} \left\| \varphi_{T_l}^1 \right\|^2 \left\| E_L^1 \right\|^2 \left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} \right\|^2 + \frac{1}{46} \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 \\
&\quad + \cdots + \frac{529}{46} \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon^2} \left\| \varphi_{T_l}^5 \right\|^2 \left\| E_L^5 \right\|^2 \left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \right\|^2 + \frac{1}{46} \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 \\
&\leq -\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon \lambda_{\max}^*} - \frac{529}{46} \frac{k \left\| \varphi_{T_l}^1 \right\|^2 \left\| E_L^1 \right\|^2}{1/2\varepsilon^2 \lambda_{\min}(E_L^1)} - \cdots - \frac{529}{46} \frac{k \left\| \varphi_{T_l}^5 \right\|^2 \left\| E_L^5 \right\|^2}{1/2\varepsilon^2 \lambda_{\min}(E_L^5)} \right) \left(\sqrt{k(L_{f,l})} \right)^2 + 0.1304 \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 \\
&= -P \left(\sqrt{k(L_{f,l})} \right)^2 + 0.1304 \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A92}$$

where

$$P = \frac{1}{\varepsilon \lambda_{\max}^*} - \left(\frac{529}{46} \right) \frac{k(\varepsilon) \left\| \varphi_{T_l}^1 \right\|^2 \left\| E_L^1 \right\|^2}{1/2\varepsilon^2 \lambda_{\min}(E_L^1)} - \cdots - \left(\frac{529}{46} \right) \frac{k(\varepsilon) \left\| \varphi_{T_l}^5 \right\|^2 \left\| E_L^5 \right\|^2}{1/2\varepsilon^2 \lambda_{\min}(E_L^5)} > 0 \tag{A93}$$

i.e.,

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f,l}) \leq -PL_{f,l} + 0.1304 \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 \tag{A94}$$

Define

$$\alpha_s(\varepsilon) \equiv \frac{P}{2} \tag{A95}$$

$$S \equiv 2\alpha_s(\varepsilon) \tag{A96}$$

$$S_1 \equiv 0.1304 \left(\sup_{t_0 \leq \tau \leq t} \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\| \right)^2 \tag{A97}$$

$$S_2 \equiv \frac{k(\varepsilon)}{2} \lambda_{\min}^* \tag{A98}$$

Then

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f,l}) \leq -2\alpha_s L_{f,l} + 0.1304 \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 \leq -S \cdot S_2 \left(\left\| \overline{e_{tr_track}} \right\|^2 \right) + 0.1304 \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 \tag{A99}$$

Let the tracking error $\overline{e_{tr_track}}$ of the transformed system be

$$\overline{e_{tr_track}} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \overline{e_{tr_track}^1} & \cdots & \overline{e_{tr_track}^5} \end{bmatrix}^T \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \overline{e_{tr_1}^1} & \overline{e_{tr_rem}^1} \end{bmatrix}^T, \overline{e_{tr_rem}^1} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{vrf}-1} \quad (\text{A100})$$

Then we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f_l}) \leq -S \cdot S_2 \left(\|\overline{e_{tr_1}^1}\|^2 + \|\overline{e_{tr_rem}^1}\|^2 \right) + 0.1304 \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 \quad (\text{A101})$$

Firstly, applying (A101) easily yields

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f_l}) + S \cdot S_2 \|\overline{e_{tr_1}^1}\|^2 \leq -S \cdot S_2 \left(\|\overline{e_{tr_rem}^1}\|^2 \right) + 0.1304 \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 \leq 0.1304 \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 \quad (\text{A102})$$

i.e.,

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f_l}) + S \cdot S_2 \|\overline{e_{tr_1}^1}\|^2 \leq 0.1304 \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 \quad (\text{A103})$$

Integrate both sides of (A103) to obtain

$$L_{f_l}(t) - L_{f_l}(t_0) + S \cdot S_2 \int_{t_0}^t \left(u_{op_1}(\tau) - u_{op_track}^1(\tau) \right)^2 d\tau \leq 0.1304 \int_{t_0}^t \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 d\tau \quad (\text{A104})$$

i.e.,

$$S \cdot S_2 \int_{t_0}^t \left(u_{op_1}(\tau) - u_{op_track}^1(\tau) \right)^2 d\tau \leq L_{f_l}(t_0) + 0.1304 \int_{t_0}^t \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 d\tau \quad (\text{A105})$$

hence

$$\int_{t_0}^t \left(u_{op_1}(\tau) - u_{op_track}^1(\tau) \right)^2 d\tau \leq \frac{L_{f_l}(t_0)}{S \cdot S_2} + \frac{0.1304}{S \cdot S_2} \int_{t_0}^t \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 d\tau \quad (\text{A106})$$

Similarly, we obtain the tracking error for $u_{op_i}, 2 \leq i \leq 5$ as

$$\int_{t_0}^t \left(u_{op_i}(\tau) - u_{op_track}^i(\tau) \right)^2 d\tau \leq \frac{L_{f_l}(t_0)}{S \cdot S_2} + \frac{0.1304}{S \cdot S_2} \int_{t_0}^t \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 d\tau, 2 \leq i \leq 5 \quad (\text{A107})$$

Therefore, we verify the significant result that the third condition of the almost disturbance decoupling performance is well proved.

Next, we need to prove that the first condition of the almost disturbance decoupling performance holds. From (A101), we can obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f_l}) \leq -S \cdot S_2 \left(\|\overline{e_{tr_track}}\|^2 \right) + 0.1304 \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 \quad (\text{A108})$$

Define

$$\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \equiv \|\overline{e_{tr_track}}\|^2 \quad (\text{A109})$$

From (A108) and (A109), we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f_l}) \leq -S \cdot S_2 \left(\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \right) + 0.1304 \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 \quad (\text{A110})$$

i.e.,

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f_I}) \leq -(S \cdot S_2 - 1) \left(\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \right) - \|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 + 0.1304 \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 \quad (A111)$$

According to the following inequality, the output state trajectory is located in the outside of the global ultimate attractor:

$$-\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 + 0.1304 \left\| \left(\vec{\Omega}_{un} + \vec{\Omega}_n \right) \right\|^2 < 0 \quad (A112)$$

We obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f_I}) \leq -(S \cdot S_2 - 1) \left(\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \right) \quad (A113)$$

From (A90) and (A91), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} L_{f_I} &= k \left[L_{f_I}^1 + \dots + L_{f_I}^5 \right] \leq k \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \lambda_{\max}(E_L^1) \overline{e_{tr-track}^1} + \dots + \lambda_{\max}(E_L^5) \overline{e_{tr-track}^5} \right\} \\ &\leq k \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\max}^* \left\{ \overline{e_{tr-track}^1} + \dots + \overline{e_{tr-track}^5} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (A114)$$

Let $Q_{\max} \equiv \frac{k}{2} \lambda_{\max}^*$ and we obtain

$$L_{f_I} \leq Q_{\max} \left(\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \right) \quad (A115)$$

Similarly, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} L_{f_I} &= k \left[L_{f_I}^1 + \dots + L_{f_I}^5 \right] \geq k \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \lambda_{\min}(E_L^1) \overline{e_{tr-track}^1} + \dots + \lambda_{\min}(E_L^5) \overline{e_{tr-track}^5} \right\} \\ &\geq k \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\min}^* \left\{ \overline{e_{tr-track}^1} + \dots + \overline{e_{tr-track}^5} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (A116)$$

Let $Q_{\min} \equiv \frac{k}{2} \lambda_{\min}^*$ and we obtain

$$L_{f_I} \geq Q_{\min} \left(\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \right) \quad (A117)$$

Combining (A115) and (A117) yields

$$Q_{\min} \left(\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \right) \leq L_{f_I} \leq Q_{\max} \left(\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \right) \quad (A118)$$

(A112), (A113) and (A118) imply that the system is in the input-to-state stable state for the disturbance input. Then the input-to-state stable theorem in [32] concludes the significant result that the first condition of the almost disturbance decoupling performance is completely verified.

Next, we need to prove that the second condition of the almost disturbance decoupling performance holds.

Combining (A108), (A109), (A118) and (A97) yields

$$\frac{d}{dt}(L_{f_I}) \leq -\frac{S \cdot S_2}{Q_{\max}} L_{f_I} + S_1 \quad (A119)$$

Use the comparison theorem in [33] for (A119) to obtain

$$L_{f_I}(t) \leq L_{f_I}(t_0) \exp \left(-\frac{S \cdot S_2}{Q_{\max}} (t - t_0) \right) + \frac{Q_{\max} S_1}{S \cdot S_2}, t \geq t_0 \quad (A120)$$

Then, we obtain the tracking error with integral sense to be

$$\left| u_{op_1}(t) - u_{op_track}^1(t) \right| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2L_{f_1}(t_0)}{k\lambda_{\min}^*}} \exp\left(-\frac{S \cdot S_2}{2Q_{\max}}(t - t_0)\right) + \sqrt{\frac{2Q_{\max}S_1}{k\lambda_{\min}^* S \cdot S_2}} \quad (A121)$$

and

$$\left| u_{op_i}(t) - u_{op_track}^i(t) \right| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2L_{f_i}(t_0)}{k\lambda_{\min}^*}} \exp\left(-\frac{S \cdot S_2}{2Q_{\max}}(t - t_0)\right) + \sqrt{\frac{2Q_{\max}S_1}{k\lambda_{\min}^* S \cdot S_2}}, 2 \leq i \leq 5 \quad (A122)$$

So, we can prove that the second condition of the almost disturbance decoupling performance holds, and the convergent rate is given by $S \cdot S_2 / 2Q_{\max}$.

Combining (A108) and (A109) yields

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(L_{f_1} \right) \leq -S \cdot S_2 \left(\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \right) + S_1 \quad (A123)$$

Let us consider the range $\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\| > \underline{r}, \underline{r} \equiv \sqrt{\frac{S_1}{S \cdot S_2}}$. It is an easy routine to obtain $\frac{d}{dt} \left(L_{f_1} \right) < 0$, and then the global ultimate attractor of the transformed system is written by

$$B_{\underline{r}} \equiv \left\{ [\vec{e}_{tr_track}] : \|\vec{e}_{tr_track}\|^2 \leq \underline{r} \right\} \quad (A124)$$

with the convergent radius $\underline{r} \equiv \sqrt{\frac{S_1}{S \cdot S_2}}$.

Next, we need to prove the globally exponential stability of the transformed system. Combining (A118) and (A120) obtains

$$L_{f_1}(t) \leq L_{f_1}(t_0) \exp\left(-\frac{S \cdot S_2}{Q_{\max}}(t - t_0)\right) + \frac{Q_{\max}S_1}{S \cdot S_2} \quad (A125)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\min} \|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 &\leq L_{f_1} \leq L_{f_1}(t_0) \exp\left(-\frac{S \cdot S_2}{Q_{\max}}(t - t_0)\right) + \frac{Q_{\max}S_1}{S \cdot S_2} \\ &\leq Q_{\max} \|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}(t_0)\|^2 \exp\left(-\frac{S \cdot S_2}{Q_{\max}}(t - t_0)\right) + \frac{Q_{\max}S_1}{S \cdot S_2} \end{aligned} \quad (A126)$$

Then

$$\|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}\|^2 \leq \frac{Q_{\max}}{Q_{\min}} \|\vec{u}_{op_track-total}(t_0)\|^2 \exp\left(-\frac{S \cdot S_2}{Q_{\max}}(t - t_0)\right) + \frac{S_1}{S \cdot S_2} \frac{Q_{\max}}{Q_{\min}} \quad (A127)$$

Then we can conclude the significant result that the globally exponential stability of the transformed system is well proved.

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