

16.060 Problem Set 9 Solutions

Fall 2003

Problem 1

1.) $y(t) = u(t - \tau)$

Using the definition of the Laplace transform:

$$Y(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} u(t - \tau) dt$$

Use a change of variable: $T = t - \tau$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow Y(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-s(T+\tau)} u(T) dT \\ &= e^{-s\tau} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-sT} u(T) dT \\ &= e^{-s\tau} U(s) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{G(s) = e^{-s\tau}}$$

2.) $\tau = 1 \Rightarrow G(s) = e^{-s}$

For the polar plot: $s = j\omega$, $0 < \omega < \infty$

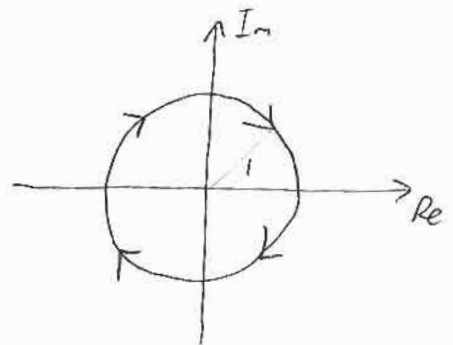
$$\Rightarrow G(s) = G(j\omega) = e^{-j\omega} = \cos\omega - j\sin\omega$$

$$\Rightarrow |G(j\omega)| = \sqrt{\cos^2\omega + \sin^2\omega} = 1$$

$$\angle G(j\omega) = -\omega$$

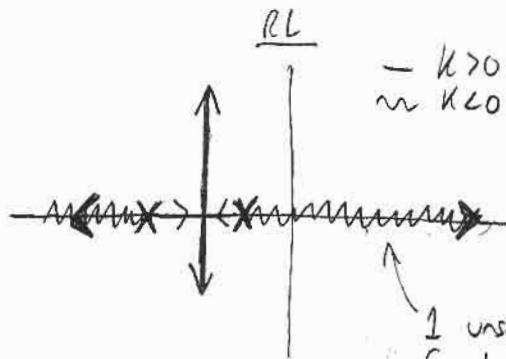
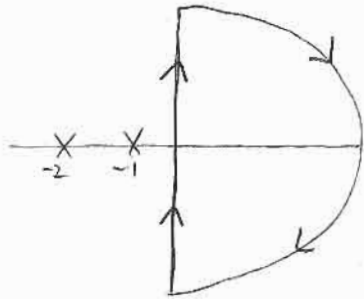
So the magnitude of G stays constant and equal to one, but the phase of G decreases from 0 to $-\infty$ as ω varies from 0 to ∞ .

→ polar plot is a unit circle with infinite revolutions.



Problem 2

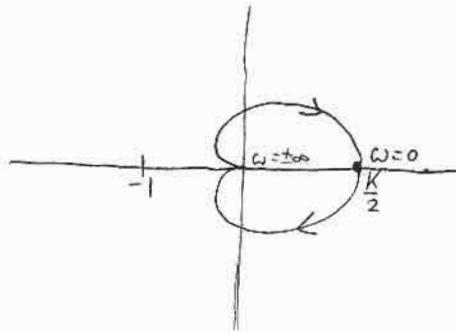
1.) $G(s) = \frac{K}{(s+1)(s+2)}$



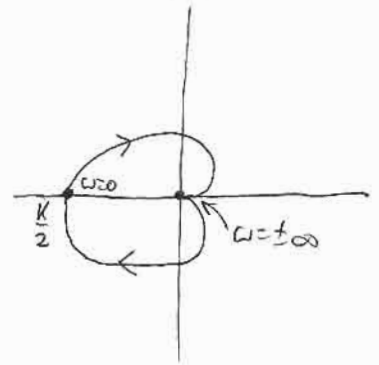
$- K > 0$
 $\approx K < 0$

1 unstable pole
 for large, negative K
 stable otherwise

Nyquist
 $K > 0$

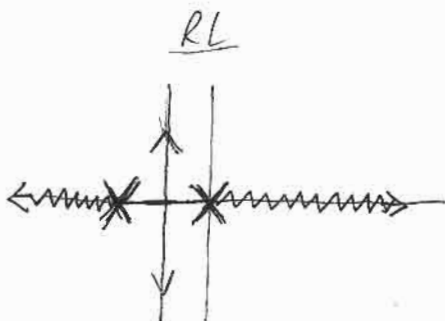
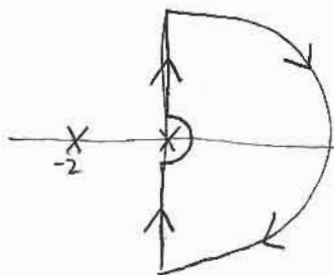


Nyquist
 $K < 0$

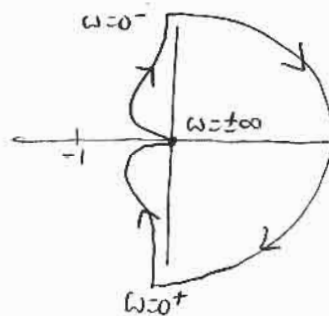


<u>K</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Z</u>	<u>Stable?</u>
$K < -2$	0	1	1	No
$-2 < K < 0$	0	0	0	Yes
$K > 0$	0	0	0	Yes

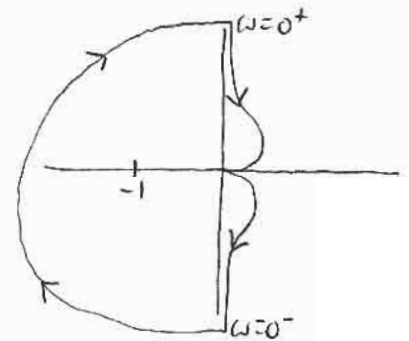
2.) $G(s) = \frac{K}{s(s+2)}$



Nyquist $K > 0$

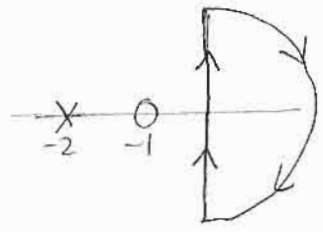


Nyquist $K < 0$

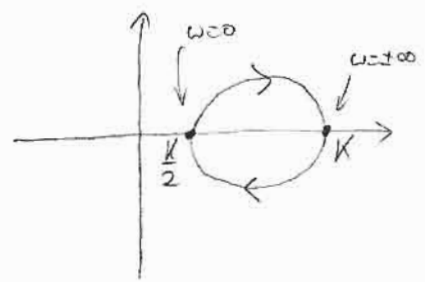


<u>K</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Z</u>	<u>Stable?</u>
$K < 0$	0	1	1	No
$K > 0$	0	0	0	Yes

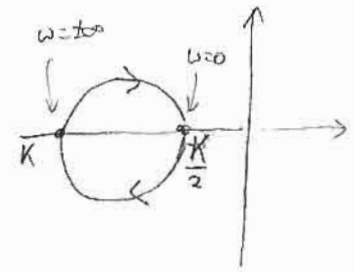
3.) $G(s) = \frac{K(s+1)}{s+2}$



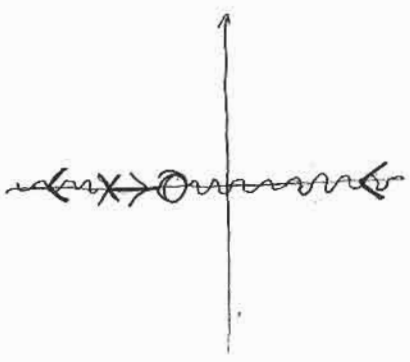
Nyquist $K > 0$



Nyquist $K < 0$

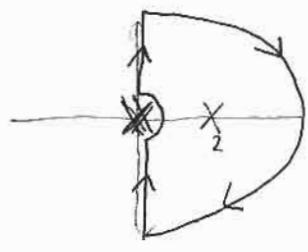


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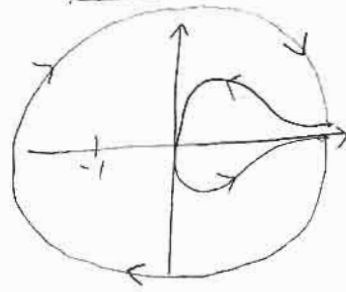


<u>K</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Z</u>	<u>Stable?</u>
$K < -2$	0	0	0	Yes
$-2 < K < -1$	0	1	1	No
$-1 < K < 0$	0	0	0	Yes
$K > 0$	0	0	0	Yes

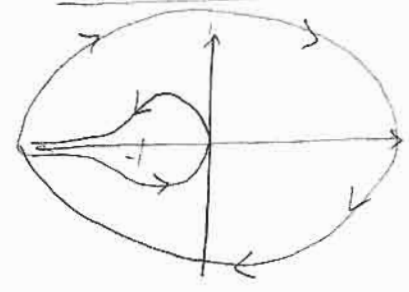
4.) $G(s) = \frac{K}{s^2(s-2)}$



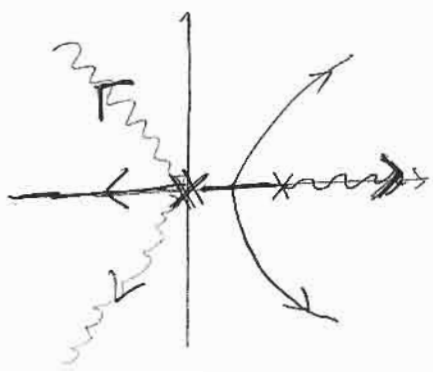
Nyquist $K > 0$



Nyquist $K < 0$

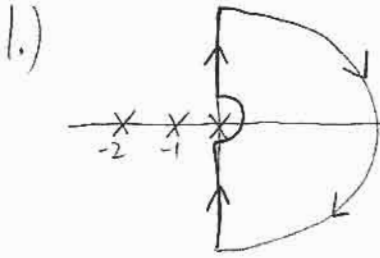


<u>K</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Z</u>	<u>Stable?</u>
$K < 0$	1	0	1	No
$K > 0$	1	1	2	No

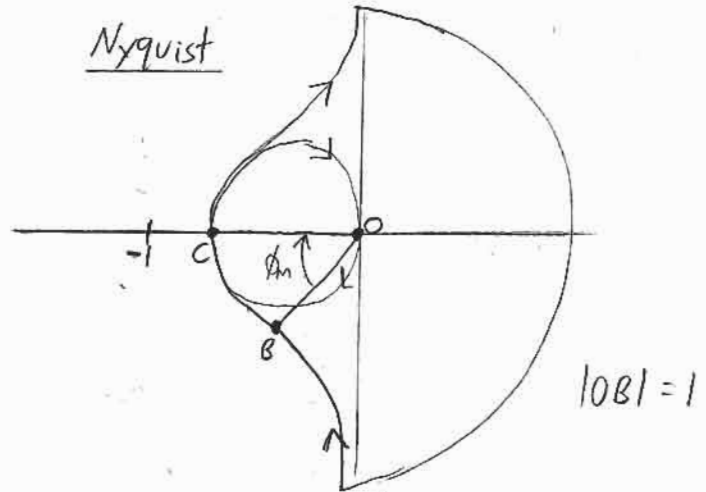
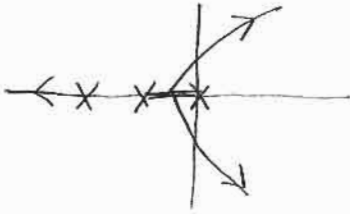


Problem 3

$$G(s) = \frac{3}{s(s+1)(s+2)}$$



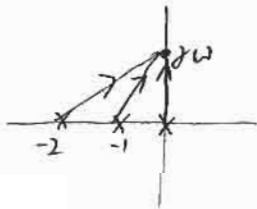
Root Locus



$$\text{Gain margin} = \frac{1}{|OC|}$$

Phase margin = $\angle BOC$, where B is the point on the Nyquist plot for $\omega > 0$ such that $|OB| = 1$.

- 2.) To determine stability, we can calculate point C on the Nyquist plot. If it lies inside the -1 point, then $N=0$, $P=0$, $\Rightarrow Z=0$ and the CL system is stable.



Point C is where $\angle G(j\omega) = -180^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow 90^\circ + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega}{1}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega = \sqrt{2} \quad (\text{from Matlab})$$

$$\Rightarrow |G(j\omega)| = \frac{3}{(\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{1^2+2})(\sqrt{2^2+2})} = \frac{1}{2}$$

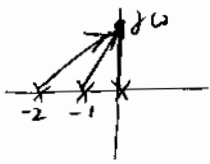
So the point C is at $(-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$, and therefore the CL system is **stable**.

Gain margin:

$$GM = \frac{1}{|G|} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} = \boxed{2}$$

Phase margin:

To find the phase margin, we must find point B on the Nyquist plot (where $|G(j\omega)| = 1$).



$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{\omega \sqrt{1+\omega^2} \sqrt{2+\omega^2}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega^2(1+\omega^2)(2+\omega^2) = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega \approx 0.969 \quad (\text{from Matlab})$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle G(j\omega) = -(90^\circ + \tan^{-1}(0.969) + \tan^{-1}(\frac{0.969}{2})) = 159.9^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_m = 180^\circ - 159.9^\circ = \boxed{20.1^\circ}$$

3.) The CL characteristic equation is:

$$s(s+1)(s+2) + K = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s^3 + 3s^2 + 2s + K = 0$$

Substitute $s = j\omega$, $K = K_{crit}$:

$$(j\omega)^3 + 3(j\omega)^2 + 2j\omega + K_{crit} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ Real part: } -3\omega^2 + K_{crit} = 0 \quad \textcircled{2} \text{ Im. part: } -\omega^3 + 2\omega = 0$$

$$\text{From } \textcircled{2}: \omega = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{Subs. into } \textcircled{1}: \boxed{K_{crit} = 6}$$

Notice: the RL gain of G is 3, so $\boxed{K_{crit} = K_{RL} \cdot GM}$

i.e. GM = the amount by which you can increase the gain of the system before the CL system goes unstable.

4.) Using the nichols() function in Matlab, I got the following table of values for $\angle G(j\omega)$ and $|G(j\omega)|$:

ω	$\angle G(j\omega)$	$ G(j\omega) $ (dB)
.084	-97°	25
.134	-101°	21
.215	-108°	17
.346	-119°	12
.554	-134°	7
.889	-156°	1
1.43	-180°	-6
1.80	-193°	-10
2.29	-205°	-15
2.89	-216°	-20

These data are sketched on the attached Nichols chart.

The GM is approximately 6 dB, or 2.

The phase margin is approximately 22° .

5.) Looking at the curve of $G(j\omega)$, and the contours for the magnitude of the CL system, it looks like the magnitude of the CL transfer function peaks at about 8 dB, or $\boxed{2.5}$.

This point occurs where $|G(j\omega)| \approx -2$ dB, and $\angle G(j\omega) \approx -165^\circ$, so the "peak frequency" is approximately $\boxed{\omega = 1.1}$, estimating from the table of values above.

6.) If GM and ϕ_m were higher, the curve of $G(j\omega)$ would stay further away from the -1 point, or $(-180^\circ, 0$ dB) on the Nichols chart. Therefore, the peak amplitude of the CL system would be lower.

