

## Handout 2: Gain and Phase margins

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### Nyquist plots and Cauchy's principle

Let  $H(s)$  be a transfer function. eg  $H(s) = \frac{s^2 + s + 1}{(s + 1)(s + 3)}$

Evaluate  $H$  on a contour in the  $s$ -plane. (your plots here)

$$H = \frac{s^2 + s + 1}{(s + 3)(s - 3)}$$

Evaluate  $H$  on another contour of the  $s$ -plane (your plots here)

Cauchy's Principle:

Control application: Given  $KG(s)$ , we encircle the entire  
to get the contour evaluation of

Closed-loop roots are poles of

They are zeros of

If there are no RHPs, then  $1 + KG$  encirclement of 0 means

With no RHP poles,  $KG$  encirclement of -1 means

With right half plane open-loop poles

A clockwise contour enclosing a zero of  $1 + KG(s)$  will result in

A clockwise contour enclosing a pole of  $1 + KG(s)$  will result in

**Nyquist plot rules**

1. Plot  $KG(s)$  for  $s = -j\infty$  to  $+j\infty$
2. Count number of
3. Determine number of
4. Number of unstable closed-loop roots is

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

Bode plot

Nyquist plot

Example:  $G(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+1)^2}$

Bode plot

Nyquist plot

## Gain and Phase margins

Nyquist plot for  $G(s)$ .

Gain Margin is

Phase Margin is

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

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