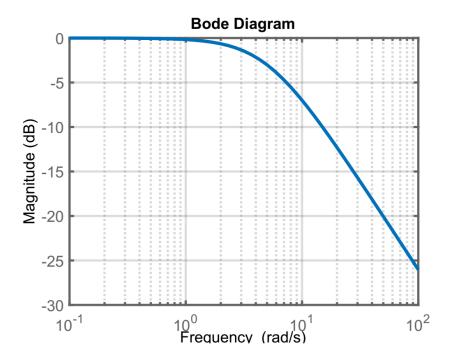
# 6.8 Design of a Proportional Controller Using Bode Plots

Consider a feedback system where the plant G(s) is stable and has the Bode magnitude plot shown below. We want to design a controller so that: i) the closed-loop is stable, ii) the system has a loop cross-over frequency near 50 rad/sec, and iii) the closed-loop can track  $r(t) = \sin(0.1t)$  with less than 1% error.



- (a) Using the Bode diagram, choose a gain  $K_p$  so that  $K_pG(s)$  has the desired cross-over frequency of 50 rad/sec.
- (b) Convert the requirement (iii) into a requirement on the closed-loop transfer function L(s) = G(s)K(s).

### **Solution:**

- (a)  $|K_pG(j50)| = 1$  implies that  $K_p = 1/|G(j50)| \approx 1/0.1 = 10$
- (b) With  $r(t)=\sin(0.1t)$ , and  $S(jw)=\frac{1}{1+L(j\omega)}$  the response from  $r\to e$ , then we must have  $|S(j\omega)|\sin(0.1t+\angle S(j\omega))\leq 0.01$ . Therefore  $|S(j\omega)|=|\frac{1}{1+L(j\omega)}|\leq 0.01$  and so  $100\leq |1+L(j\omega)|\approx |L(j\omega)|$ .

### **GPT Answer:**

To design a controller that satisfies the given requirements based on the provided Bode plot, we can proceed as follows:

- (a) To achieve the desired crossover frequency of  $50\,\mathrm{rad/sec}$ , we need to adjust the proportional gain  $K_p$  such that the magnitude of the open-loop transfer function  $|K_pG(s)|$  is  $0\,\mathrm{dB}$  at  $50\,\mathrm{rad/sec}$ . From the Bode plot, we can observe that the magnitude at  $50\,\mathrm{rad/sec}$  is below  $0\,\mathrm{dB}$ . To find the exact value, we would ideally read the magnitude directly from the plot at  $50\,\mathrm{rad/sec}$  and calculate  $K_p$  by setting  $20\,\mathrm{log}(K_p) = -\mathrm{Magnitude}$  at  $50\,\mathrm{rad/sec}$ . However, since I cannot directly measure values from the plot, I can only suggest that this method be used to determine  $K_p$ .
- (b) To ensure that the closed-loop can track  $r(t)=\sin(0.1t)$  with less than 1% steady-state error, we need to consider the frequency of the input signal, which is  $0.1\,\mathrm{rad/sec}$ . For a sinusoidal input, the steady-state error can be related to the magnitude of the frequency response of the open-loop transfer function at the input frequency. The requirement can be translated to ensuring that the magnitude of |L(j0.1)| is large enough to guarantee less than 1% steady-state error. This typically involves ensuring a sufficiently high magnitude (in dB) at the input frequency of  $0.1\,\mathrm{rad/sec}$  in the Bode plot.

**Confidence Level: 80%** 

## **Misreading the Plot**

#### **Claude Answer:**

- (a) To achieve a desired crossover frequency of 50 rad/s, we need to choose a gain  $K_p$  such that  $|K_pG(j50)|=1$  (0 dB). From the Bode plot,  $|G(j50)|\approx 0.14=-17$  dB. Therefore, we need  $K_p$  to provide 17 dB of gain to bring the magnitude up to 0 dB at 50 rad/s. 17 dB =  $20\log_{10}(K_p)$   $K_p=10^{17/20}\approx 7.08$
- (b) To track  $r(t) = \sin(0.1t)$  with less than  $1\left|\frac{Y(j0.1)}{R(j0.1)}-1\right| < 0.01$  where Y(s)/R(s) is the closed-loop transfer function. For unity feedback, Y(s)/R(s) = L(s)/(1+L(s)). Substituting:  $\left|\frac{L(j0.1)}{1+L(j0.1)}-1\right| < 0.01$  This can be approximated as: |L(j0.1)| > 100 or equivalently |L(j0.1)| > 40 dB

Therefore, the requirement on the loop transfer function L(s) is |L(j0.1)| > 40 dB.

Confidence level: 90

#### Misreading the Plot