

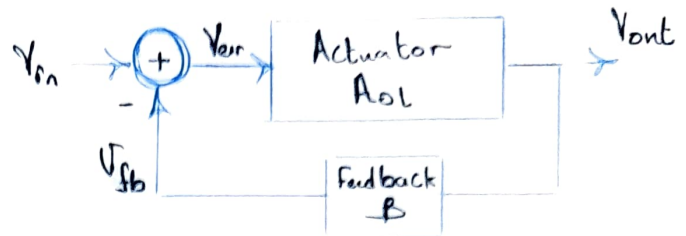
Lec 15: Negative feedback System.

① General feedback system.

$$\infty \quad 1 \quad V_{out} = V_{err} A_{ol}$$

$$2 \quad V_{err} = V_{in} - V_{fb}$$

$$3 \quad V_{fb} = V_{out} B$$



$$\therefore V_{out} = (V_{in} - V_{out} B) A_{ol}$$

$$\therefore V_{out} (1 + B A_{ol}) = V_{in} A_{ol} \rightarrow \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = A_{cl} = \frac{A_{ol}}{1 + B A_{ol}}$$

$$4 \quad B A_{ol} = LG \gg 1 \rightarrow A_{cl} \approx \frac{1}{B}$$

$\therefore A_{cl}$ is independent of A_{ol}

$$5 \quad V_{err} = V_{in} - V_{fb} = V_{in} - B V_{out} = V_{in} - B A_{ol} V_{err}$$

$$\therefore V_{err} = \frac{V_{in}}{1 + B A_{ol}} = \frac{V_{in}}{1 + LG}$$

$$\therefore \text{if } LG \gg 1 \rightarrow V_{err} \approx 0$$

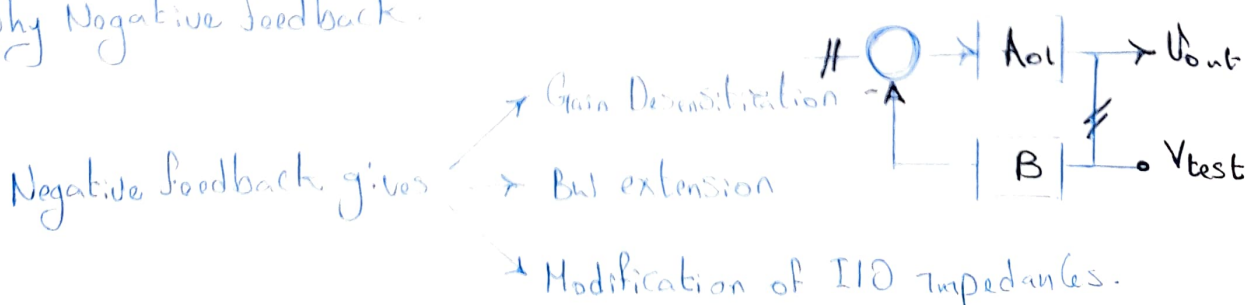
\therefore Negative feedback loop works to minimize the error sig.

② Calculation of Loop Gain

1 deactivate the input \rightarrow 2 Break the loop \rightarrow 3 Apply V_{test}
then calculate the gain around the loop

$$V_{out} = - B A_{ol} V_{test} \rightarrow - \frac{V_{out}}{V_{test}} = B A_{ol}$$

③ why Negative feedback.



3.1 Gain Desensitization.

$$1 - A_{cl} = \frac{A_{ol}}{1 + BA_{ol}} \rightarrow A_{cl} = \frac{1}{B} \left(\frac{1}{\frac{1}{BA_{ol}} + 1} \right) = \frac{1}{B} \left(1 - \frac{1}{BA_{ol}} \right) = \frac{1}{B} \left(1 - \frac{1}{LG} \right)$$

where if $x \approx 0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{1+x} \approx 1-x$

2 static gain error.

$$E_s = \frac{|A_{cl, ideal} - A_{cl, actual}|}{A_{cl, ideal}} \approx \frac{1}{BA_{ol}} = \frac{1}{LG}$$

- A_{ol} varies due to PVT, Load, and input signal Var.

- A_{cl} almost independent of A_{ol} (if $LG \gg 1$)

$\therefore A_{cl}$ is independent of $\begin{cases} \nearrow \text{PVT} \\ \rightarrow \text{Load} \\ \searrow \text{input level} \end{cases}$

- Although A_{cl} depends on B but

B is insensitive to variations as it's a ratio between matched components

3.2 BW extension.




- Assume A_{ol} is a 1st order system

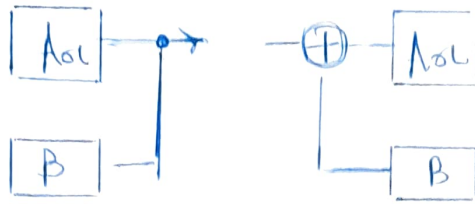
$$A_{ol}(s) = \frac{A_{ol0}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{pol}}}$$

- The closed loop TF is also a first order system

$$A_{cl} = \frac{A_{ol}(s)}{1 + BA_{ol}(s)} = \frac{\frac{A_{ol0}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{pol}}}}{1 + \frac{B A_{ol0}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{pol}}}} = \frac{A_{cl0}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{pcl}}}$$

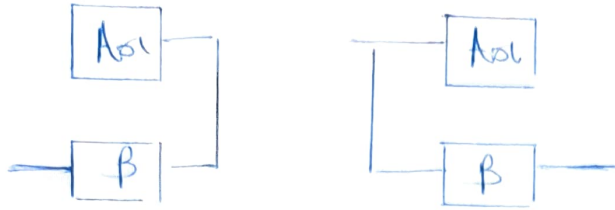
$$\therefore \omega_{pcl} = (1 + LG_0) \omega_{pol}$$

- The DC gain reduced by $(1 + LG_0)$  \rightarrow GBW remains Const 
 - The BW extend by $(1 + LG_0)$ 



Shunt (Voltage) Sensing

Series (Voltage) mixing



Series (Current) Sensing

Shunt (Current) mixing

- Shunt Sensing / mixing \rightarrow Reduce R by $(1 + LG)$
- Series Sensing / mixing \rightarrow Increase R by $(1 + LG)$

⊥ The price we pay to buy feedback useful properties is
 \rightarrow Gain reduction
 \rightarrow The risk of instability.

④ Stability of feedback system

$$\perp A_{cl}(s) = \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{A_{ol}(s)}{1 + \beta A_{ol}(s)}$$

⊥ $\angle \beta A_{ol}(s) = -180^\circ \rightarrow$ the negative feedback turns to positive feedback (oscillators)

⊥ Barkhausen's Oscillation Criteria

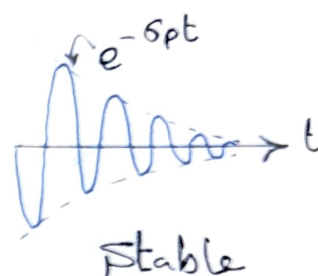
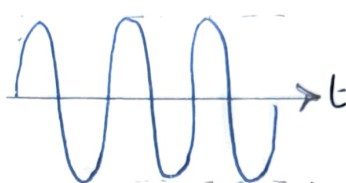
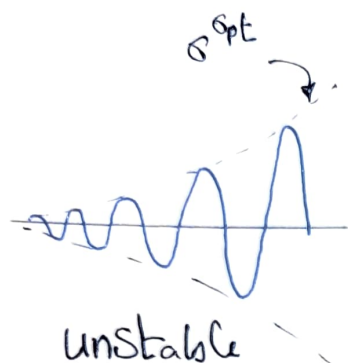
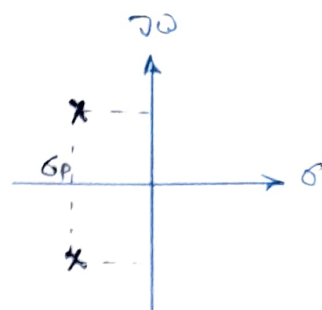
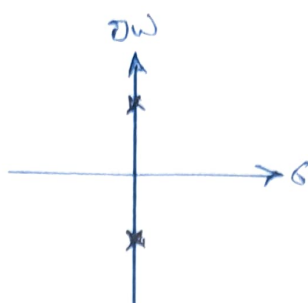
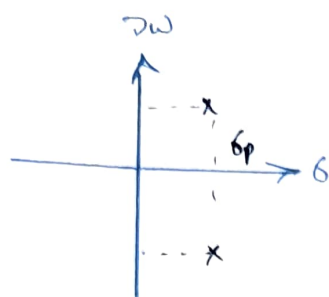
$$|\beta A_{ol}| = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \angle \beta A_{ol}(s) = -180^\circ$$

⑤ Stable Vs Unstable System: Bode plot

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1 From Oscillation Criteria:

We want: $|LG| = 1$ and the $\angle LG < -180^\circ$



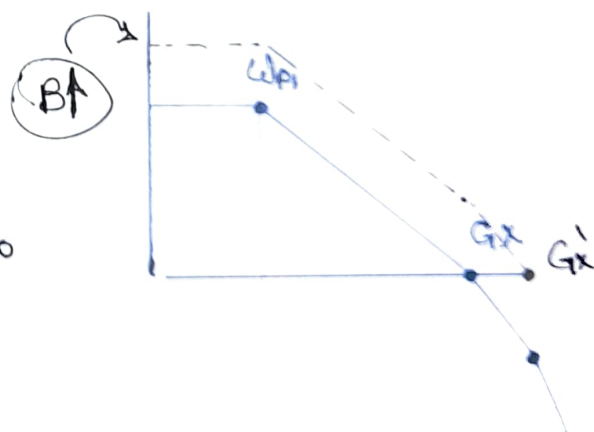
(Laplace domain) $\frac{1}{s-a} \rightarrow e^{at}$ (time domain)

2 Gain Crossover (G_x)

is the freq which the $|LG| = 1$

3 Phase Crossover (P_x)

is the freq which the $\angle LG = -180$



For a stable system

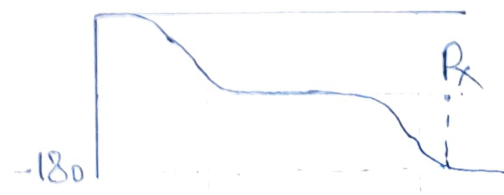
$$G_x < P_x$$

⑥ The effect of B on Stability.

1 assume B is freq independent

2 $\angle B A(s)$ is independent of B $\rightarrow P_x$ is $\neq f(B)$

3 $B \uparrow, |LG| \uparrow, G_x \uparrow \rightarrow$ Bad for stability \odot



3 Worst Case stability $\Rightarrow \beta = 1 \rightarrow \beta A_{OL} = A_{OL}$

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\therefore Unity gain feedback \rightarrow buffer

\therefore Smallest A_{CL}

4 β only affects G_x of LG and does not affect Poles/Zeros

⑦ Two-Pole System.

1 If poles are always \Rightarrow LHP

\Rightarrow System will be unconditionally stable but it may suffer from peaking and ringing

$$A_{CL} = \frac{A_{OL}}{1 + \beta A_{OL}} = \frac{A_{CL0}}{1 + \frac{1}{Q} \frac{s}{\omega_0} + \frac{s^2}{\omega_0^2}} = \frac{A_{CL0}}{1 + \frac{2\zeta s}{\omega_0} + \frac{s^2}{\omega_0^2}}$$

\downarrow Quality factor \downarrow damping factor

η $\begin{cases} > 1 \quad (Q < 0.5) \rightarrow \text{overdamped system} \\ = 1 \quad (Q = 0.5) \rightarrow \text{Critical damped} \\ < 1 \quad (Q > 0.5) \rightarrow \text{under damped} \rightarrow \text{overshoot in step resp.} \end{cases}$

2 Bode plot

- If Phase shift always $< 180^\circ$

\Rightarrow System will be unconditionally stable

- For under damped system ($\eta < 0.707$)

\hookrightarrow Peaking in freq response \rightarrow Ringing in step response.

- $\beta \uparrow, Q \uparrow \rightarrow$ overdamped goes to under damped

- PM \downarrow , Peaking \uparrow , Ringing \uparrow

⑧ Phase margin and Gain margin.

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$$PM = 180^\circ - |\angle BA_{OL}(Gx)| = 180^\circ - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega_u}{\omega_{p1}}\right) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega_u}{\omega_{p2}}\right)$$

$$GM = 20 \log |BA_{OL}(P_x)|$$

If $\omega_{p2} \gg \omega_{p1}$

$$\therefore PM = 90^\circ - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega_u}{\omega_{p2}}\right)$$

$PM > 0 \rightarrow$ stable system
But small PM means we have:
Freq domain peaking \rightarrow noise amplification
time domain ringing \rightarrow settling time

If $\omega_{p2} = \omega_u$

$$\therefore PM = 45^\circ \rightarrow \text{typically inadequate (Peaking / ringing)}$$

Thus we need $\omega_{p2} > \omega_u$

$$\therefore \omega_{p1} \ll \omega_u < \omega_{p2}$$

define max GBW or
max CL BW

define CL BW

max CL BW without peaking occurs at $\eta = Q = a_{tot}$

Actual ω_u slightly $< \omega_{u1}$
 $\therefore UGF < GBW$



| ω_{p2}/ω_{u1} | Q | ω_u/ω_{u1} | PM | notes. |
|---------------------------|-------|------------------------|-------|--|
| 1 | 1 | 0.786 | 51.8° | |
| # 2 | 0.707 | 0.91 | 65.5 | max flat But $\eta < 1$ \therefore under damped \therefore overshoot exist in transient response |
| # 4 | 0.5 | 0.972 | 76.3 | Critical damped \rightarrow fastest settling without overshoot |
| ∞ | - | 1 | 90° | 1st order system |