

EE120 - Fall'19 - Lecture 19 Notes¹

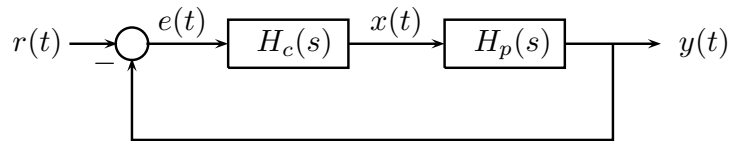
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Feedback Control

Chapter 11 in Oppenheim & Willsky



$r(t)$: reference signal to be tracked by $y(t)$

$H_c(s)$: controller; $H_p(s)$: system to be controlled ("plant")

Closed-loop transfer function:

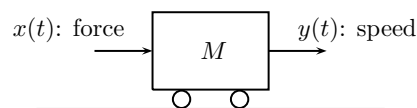
$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{H_c(s)H_p(s)}{1 + H_c(s)H_p(s)}$$

Constant-gain control: $H_c(s) = K$

$$H(s) = \frac{KH_p(s)}{1 + KH_p(s)}$$

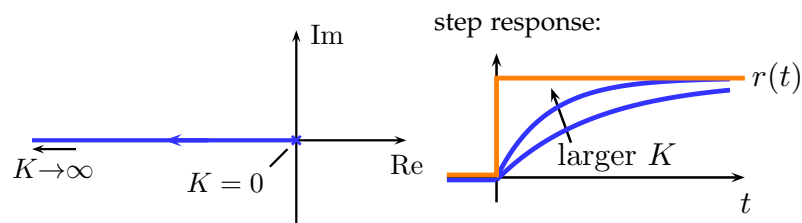
Closed-loop poles: roots of $1 + KH_p(s) = 0$

Example 1 (Speed Control)



$$H_p(s) = \frac{1}{Ms} \rightarrow \text{open-loop pole: } s = 0$$

$$\text{Closed-loop pole: } 1 + K \frac{1}{Ms} = 0 \Rightarrow s = -\frac{K}{M}$$



Example 2 (Position Control) $y(t)$: position

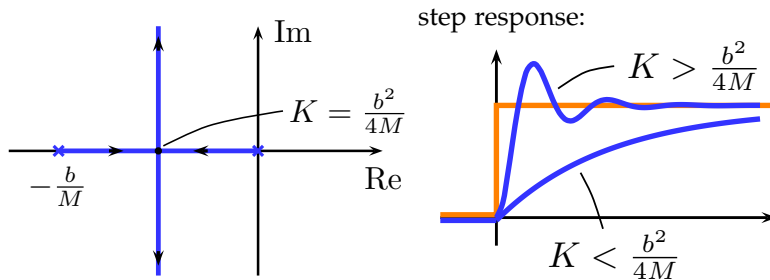
$$M \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + b \frac{dy}{dt} = x(t) \quad H_p(s) = \frac{1}{Ms^2 + bs} = \frac{1}{s(Ms + b)}$$

Open-loop poles: $s = 0, \frac{-b}{M}$

Closed-loop poles:

$$1 + \frac{K}{s(Ms + b)} = 0 \implies Ms^2 + bs + K = 0$$

$$s = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4KM}}{2M}$$



Root-Locus Analysis

Section 11.3 in Oppenheim & Willsky

How do the roots of

$$1 + KH(s) = 0$$

move as K is increased from $K = 0$ to $K = +\infty$?

If a point $s_0 \in \mathcal{C}$ is on the root locus, then $H(s_0) = \frac{-1}{K}$ for some $K > 0$, therefore $\angle H(s_0) = \pi$. The rules for sketching the root locus below are derived from this property.

Rules for sketching the root locus:

Let

$$H(s) = \frac{s^m + b_{m-1}s^{m-1} + \dots + b_0}{s^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_0} \quad m \leq n$$

$$= \frac{\prod_{k=1}^m (s - \beta_k)}{\prod_{k=1}^n (s - \alpha_k)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \beta_k : \text{zeros } k = 1, \dots, m \\ \alpha_k : \text{poles } k = 1, \dots, n \end{array}$$

1) As $K \rightarrow 0$, the roots converge to the poles of $H(s)$:

$$H(s) = -\frac{1}{K} \rightarrow \infty$$

Since there are n poles, the root locus has n branches, each starting at a pole of $H(s)$.

2) As $K \rightarrow \infty$, m branches approach the zeros of $H(s)$. If $m < n$, then $n - m$ branches approach infinity following asymptotes centered at:

$$\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k - \sum_{k=1}^m \beta_k}{n - m}$$

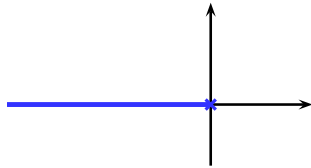
with angles:

$$\frac{180^\circ + (i - 1)360^\circ}{n - m} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n - m.$$

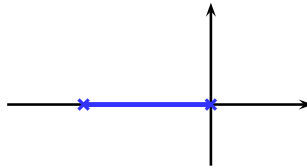
Example 2 above: $n - m = 2$, poles: $0, -b/M$
with center $= \frac{-b}{2M}$, and angles $= 90^\circ, -90^\circ$

3) Parts of the real line that lie to the left of an odd number of real poles and zeros of $H(s)$ are on the root locus.

Example 1 above:



Example 2:

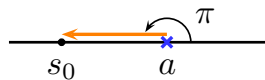


Proof of Property 3:

$$\angle H(s_0) = \sum_{k=1}^m \angle(s_0 - \beta_k) - \sum_{k=1}^n \angle(s_0 - \alpha_k)$$

If s_0 is on the real line:

$$\angle(s_0 - a) = \begin{cases} \pi & \text{if } s_0 < a \\ 0 & \text{if } s_0 > a \end{cases}$$



Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \angle H(s_0) &= r\pi \quad r : \text{total \# of poles and zeros to the right of } s_0 \\ &= \pi \quad \text{if } r \text{ is odd.} \end{aligned}$$

4) Branches between two real poles must break away into the complex plane for some $K > 0$. The break-away and break-in points can be determined by solving for the roots of

$$\frac{dH(s)}{ds} = 0$$

that lie on the real line.

Example 2 above:

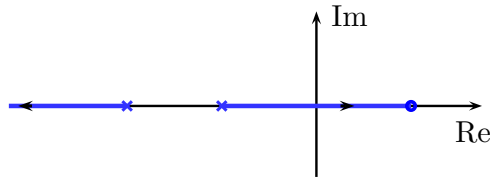
$$H(s) = \frac{1}{Ms^2 + bs}$$

$$\frac{dH}{ds} = \frac{-2Ms - b}{(Ms^2 + bs)^2} = 0 \Rightarrow s = \frac{-b}{2M}$$

Example 3:

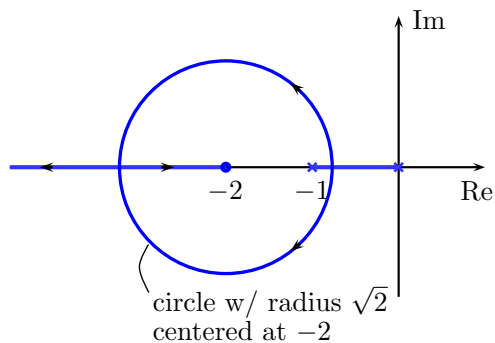
$$H(s) = \frac{s-1}{(s+1)(s+2)}$$

$n = 2, m = 1$, zeros: $s = 1$, poles: $s = -1, -2$.
 one asymptote with angle 180°



Example 4:

$$H(s) = \frac{s+2}{s(s+1)} \quad n - m = 1 \text{ asymptote with angle } 180^\circ$$



Break-away/ break-in points:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dH}{ds} &= \frac{s^2 + s - (2s+1)(s+2)}{s^2(s+1)^2} = 0 \\ s^2 + s - (2s^2 + 5s + 2) &= 0 \\ s^2 + 4s + 2 &= 0 \Rightarrow s = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2} = -2 \pm \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

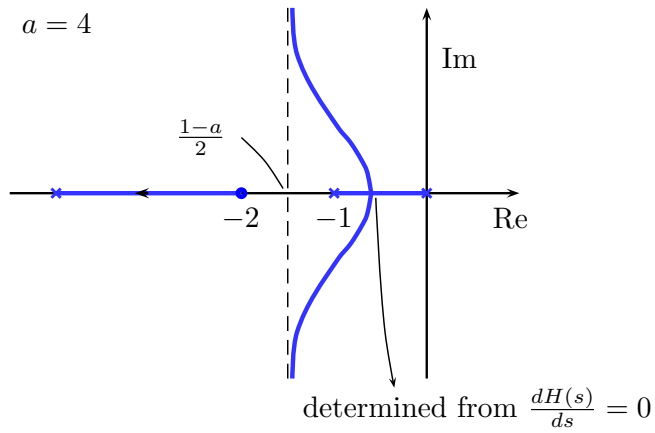
Example 5:

$$H(s) = \frac{s+2}{s(s+1)(s+a)} \quad a > 2$$

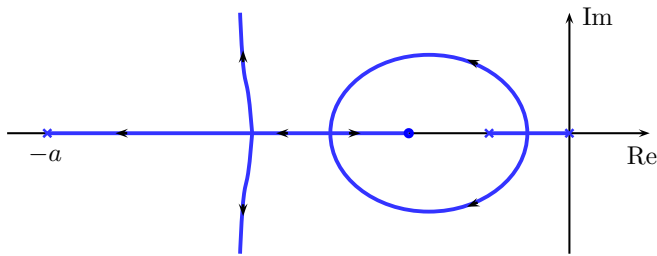
(pole at $-a$ added to the previous example)

$n - m = 2$, therefore two asymptotes with angles $\mp 90^\circ$

center of the asymptotes: $\frac{(0-1-a)-(-2)}{2} = \frac{1-a}{2}$



For large enough a , $\frac{dH}{ds} = 0$ has three real, negative roots:

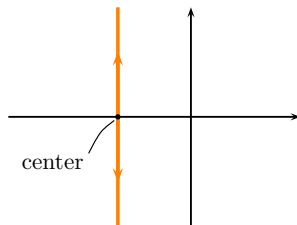


High-Gain Instability:

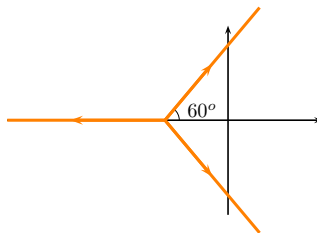
Large feedback gain causes instability if:

- 1) $H(s)$ has zeros in the right-half plane
- 2) $n - m \geq 3$

$n - m = 2$

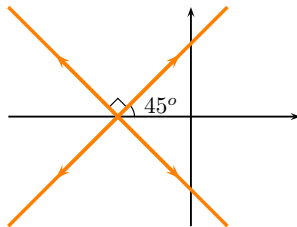


$n - m = 3$

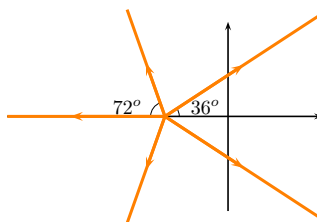


stable but poorly damped as $K \nearrow$

$n - m = 4$

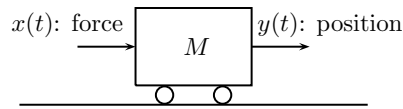


$n - m = 5$

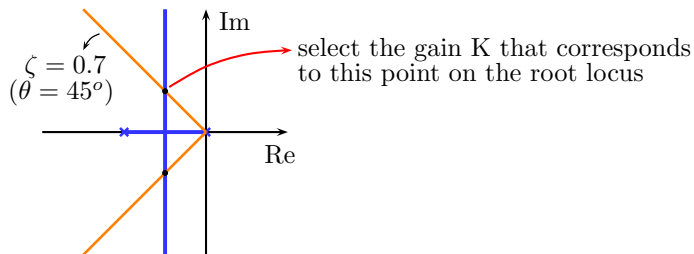
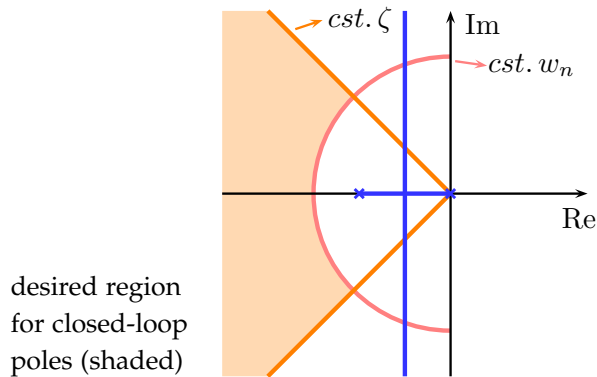


Control Design by Root Locus

Example:



$$M \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + b \frac{dy}{dt} = x(t) \rightarrow H_p(s) = \frac{1}{Ms^2 + bs}$$

Suppose a damping ratio of $\zeta = 0.7$ is desired:Suppose, in addition to ζ , a lower bound on ω_n is specified:

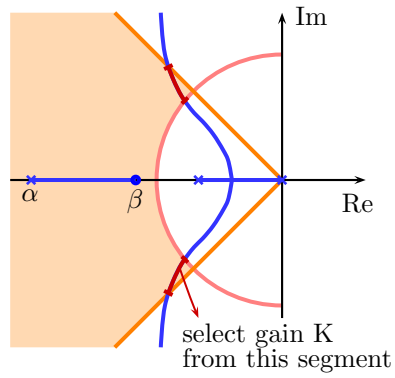
The root locus doesn't go through the desired region, therefore constant gain control won't work. Try the controller:

$$H_c(s) = K \frac{s - \beta}{s - \alpha} \quad \alpha < \beta < 0 \quad (\text{pole to the left of zero})$$

Closed-loop poles:

$$1 + \underbrace{K \frac{s - \beta}{s - \alpha} \frac{1}{s(Ms + b)}}_{H(s)} = 0$$

Select α, β such that the root locus passes through the desired region



A controller of the form

$$H_c(s) = K \frac{s - \beta}{s - \alpha} \quad \alpha < \beta < 0$$

is called a "lead controller".

Example:

$$H_c(s) = \frac{s + 1}{s + 10}$$

$$H_c(j\omega) = \frac{1}{10} \frac{1 + j\omega}{1 + j\omega/10}$$

$$20 \log_{10} |H_c(j\omega)| = -20 - 20 \log_{10} |1 + j\omega/10| + 20 \log_{10} |1 + j\omega|$$

