

Tutorial sheet 6

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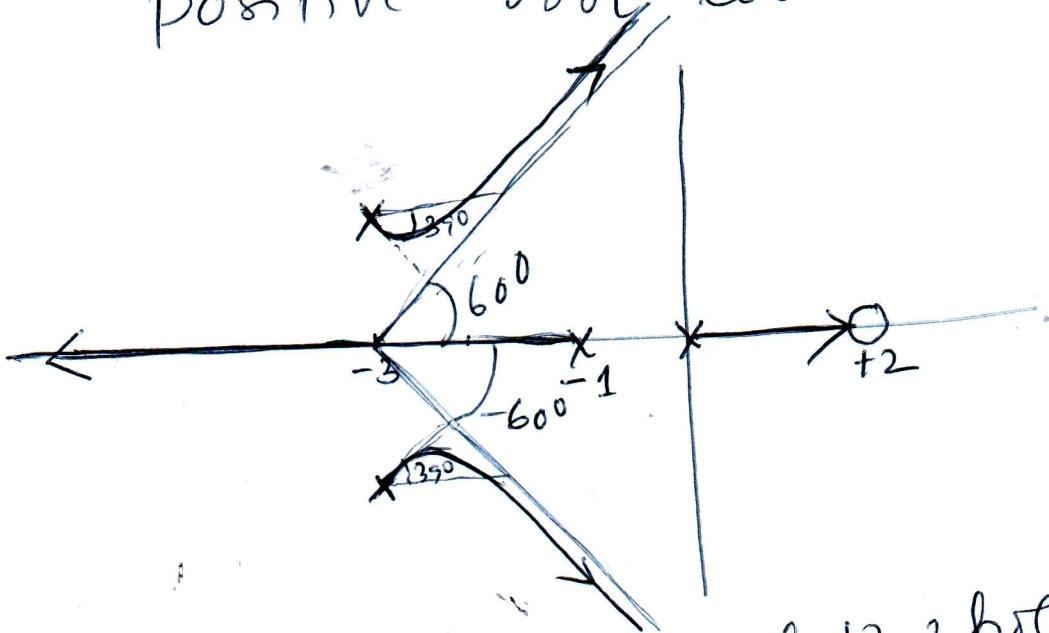
Q1a. Given open loop transfer function

$$G(s) = K \frac{(s-2)}{s(s+1)(s^2+6s+12)},$$

draw the root locus for both positive and negative gain variation. Which one would you use for designing a suitable compensator?

Solution

positive root locus



The system has a zero at +2, 3 poles at

$$s=0, s=-1, s = -3 \pm j1.732$$

4 branches of root locus, one will converge at open loop freq ($s=2$) and other three will converge at ∞ along three asymptotes.

Asymptote angles are

$$+60^\circ, +180^\circ, +300^\circ$$

Centroid

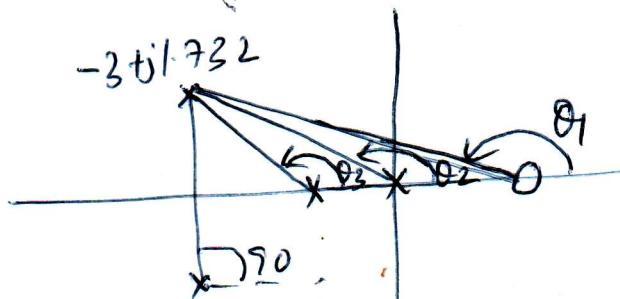
$$\Gamma = \frac{-0-1-3-3-2}{4-1} \\ = -3$$

Real axis between the pole $s=0$ and zero $s=2$ is part of the root locus. Thus this pole will converge to zero as shown.

Real axis between the pole at $s=-1$ and to its left is part of the root locus. Thus this pole will converge to ∞ along LHS-plane real axis as shown in the figure.

The poles at complex conjugate $-3 \pm j1.732$ will converge to ∞ along asymptotes at $\pm 60^\circ$ as shown in the figure.

The angle of departure from $-3+j1.732$ is calculated as follows:



Net angle at $-3+j1.732$

$$= \theta_1 - (\theta_2 + \theta_3 + \theta_4) \\ = 161^\circ - 150^\circ - 140^\circ - 90^\circ = -219^\circ$$

$$\theta_1 = 180^\circ - \tan^{-1} \frac{1.732}{3} \\ = 161^\circ$$

$$\theta_2 = 180^\circ - \tan^{-1} \frac{1.732}{5} \\ = 150^\circ$$

$$\theta_3 = 180^\circ - \tan^{-1} \frac{1.732}{2} \\ = 140^\circ$$

$$\theta_4 = 90^\circ$$

Thus the angle of departure

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_p &= 180 + \phi \\ &= 180 - 219 \\ &= -39^\circ.\end{aligned}$$

Looking at symmetry along real axis
the angle of departure at $s = -3 - 1.732j$
is $\phi_p = 39^\circ$

Thus the root locus is complete.

We can notice that the closed loop system is always unstable

i.e. for $k > 0$

Can we stabilize this system using positive root locus?

The pole at $s=0$ is dragged to zero at $s=2$ as $k>0$. Can we avoid this scenario?

Let's place a zero between poles at $s=0$ & $s=-1$.

This will not change the scenario.

Let's place a zero to the left of the pole at $s=-1$. This will also not change the scenario.

This will not change even if we place

Complex conjugate poles ~~& zeros~~ say zeros at $s=-1 \pm j1$. In all situations

zeros in RHS plane will pull the pole at $s=0$, hence the system is not stabilizable in the root locus.

Solution -ve root locus or
 0° root locus

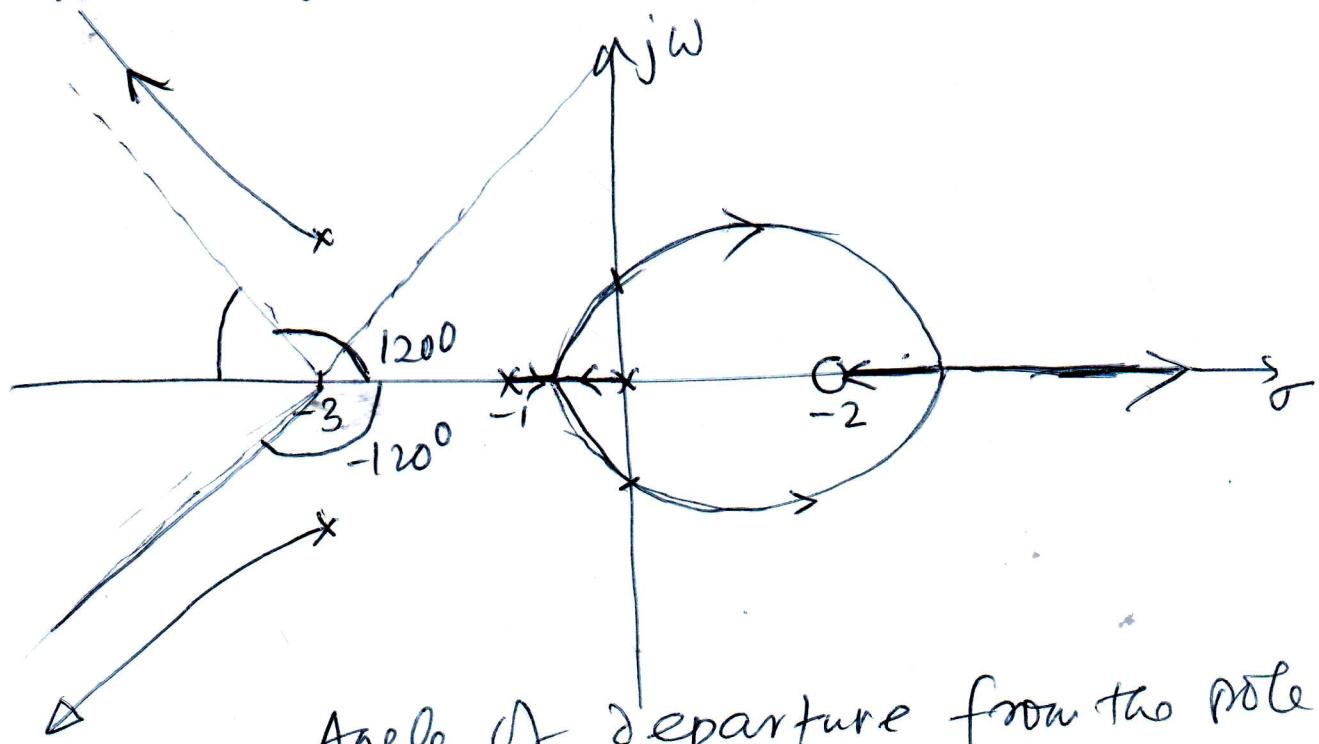
Asymptotic angles

$$0^\circ, \pm 120^\circ$$

Centroid $\sigma = -3$

Real axis between the poles at $s=0$ & $s=-1$ and the real axis to the right of zero at $s=2$ are part of root locus.

The rough sketch would thus look like:



Angle of departure from the pole

at $s = -3 + j1.732$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_p &= 360 - \phi \\ &= 360 - 219 = 141^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Break away Points $\frac{dK}{ds} = 0$

$$K = \frac{(s^2+s)(s^2+6s+12)}{s-2} = \frac{s^4+7s^3+18s^2+12s}{s+2}$$

$$\frac{dk}{ds} = \frac{(s-2)(4s^3 + 21s^2 + 36s + 12) - (s^4 + 7s^3 + 18s^2 + 12s)}{(s-2)^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3s^4 + 6s^3 - 24s^2 - 72s - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s^4 + 2s^3 - 8s^2 - 24s - 8 = 0$$

roots are (using MATLAB)

$$+3.16, -2.39 \pm j0.898, -0.3872.$$

Looking at the rough sketch we can say that break away points are -0.3872 and 3.16 .

Crossing of JW axis

$$1 + \frac{k(2-s)}{s(s+1)(s^2+6s+12)} = 0 \quad * \text{char Poly}$$

(Note negative sign of k is multiplied with $(s-2)$, so $k > 0$)

$$\begin{aligned} d(s) &= s^4 + 6s^3 + 12s^2 + s^3 + 6s^2 + 12s + k(2-s) \\ &= s^4 + 7s^3 + 18s^2 + 12s + k(2-s) \\ &= s^4 + 7s^3 + 18s^2 + (12-k)s + 2k = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Routh Array

$$\begin{array}{cccc} s^4 & 1 & 18 & 2k \\ s^3 & 7 & 12-k \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} s^2 & (114+k) & 2k \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} s^1 & (114+k)(12-k) & -14k & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} s^0 & 2k & 7 \end{array}$$

s' row needs to zero

$$\frac{(114+k)(12-k)}{7} - 14k = 0$$

$$k^2 + 20k - 1368 = 0$$

$$k = 6.62, -206.62$$

$k = 6.62$ is the valid answer.

Looking at the root locus, we can notice that all poles are in LHS-plane for $0 < k < 6.62$ using negative root locus.

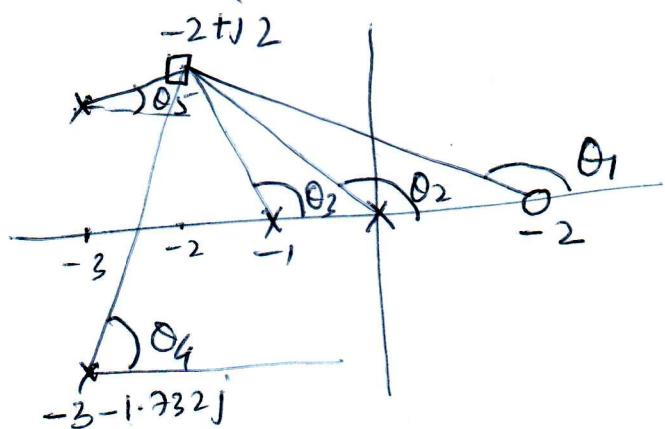
By placing a zero to the left of the pole at $s=0$, two branches of root locus moving towards RHS plane can be dragged towards LHS plane such that the range of k can be increased.

~~Poles: isolated branch~~

A suitable PD compensator can be designed using -ve root locus.

Q1b. Design a stable controller that would ensure $-2 \pm j2$ are poles of compensated system.

Soln



Since we are designing the compensator using 0° & root locus, the angle criterion

$$\sum_i \psi_i - \sum_j \theta_j = 0^\circ$$

Contributing by zero ↑ contributed by poles

$$\theta_1 = 180^\circ - \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{4} = 153.4^\circ$$

$$\theta_2 = 180^\circ - \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{2} = 135^\circ$$

$$\theta_3 = 180^\circ - \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{1} = 116.5^\circ$$

$$\theta_4 = \tan^{-1} \frac{3.732}{1} = 75^\circ$$

$$\theta_5 = \tan^{-1} \frac{2-1.732}{1} = 15^\circ$$

Net angle contribution

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 153.4 - (135 + 116.5 + 75 + 15) \\
 &= -188.5
 \end{aligned}$$

To make the net angle contribution to be zero, the compensator must contribute $+188.5^\circ$

Obviously we have to go for PD or lead compensator.

As it will be tough to find a single lead compensator that can do the job, let's go for double lead compensator.

$$C(s) = K \left(\frac{s+\zeta}{s+p} \right)^2$$

Let the zero be at $s=-1$

Thus double zeros at $s=1$ would contribute $116.5 \times 2 = 233^\circ$

This ~~zeros~~ allows double poles to

contribute $233 - 188.5 = 44.5^\circ$

Each pole would contribute $\frac{44.5^\circ}{2} = 22.25^\circ$

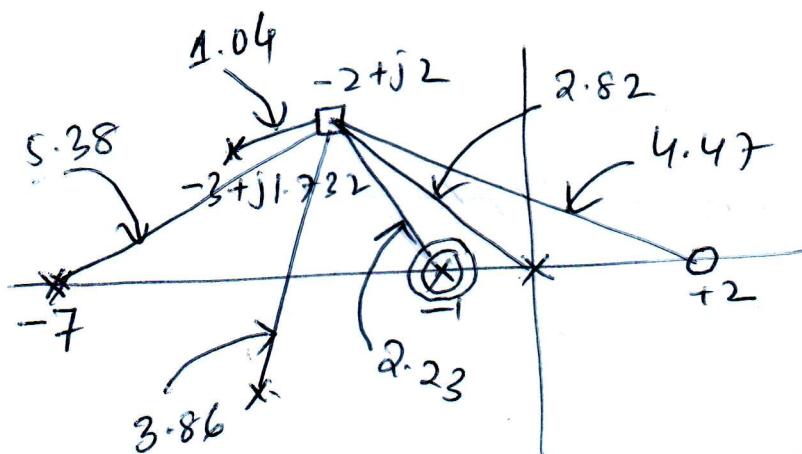
$$\tan 22.25 = \frac{2}{x} = 0.409$$

$$x = \frac{2}{0.4} = 5$$

pole is located at $s=-7$

$$C(s) = K \left(\frac{s+1}{s+7} \right)^2$$

Computation of K



The distance of the desired pole and

$$\text{the pole at } -7 = \sqrt{5^2 + 2^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{29} = 5.28$$

$$K = \frac{\pi \text{ (distance from poles)}}{\pi \text{ (distance from zeros)}}$$

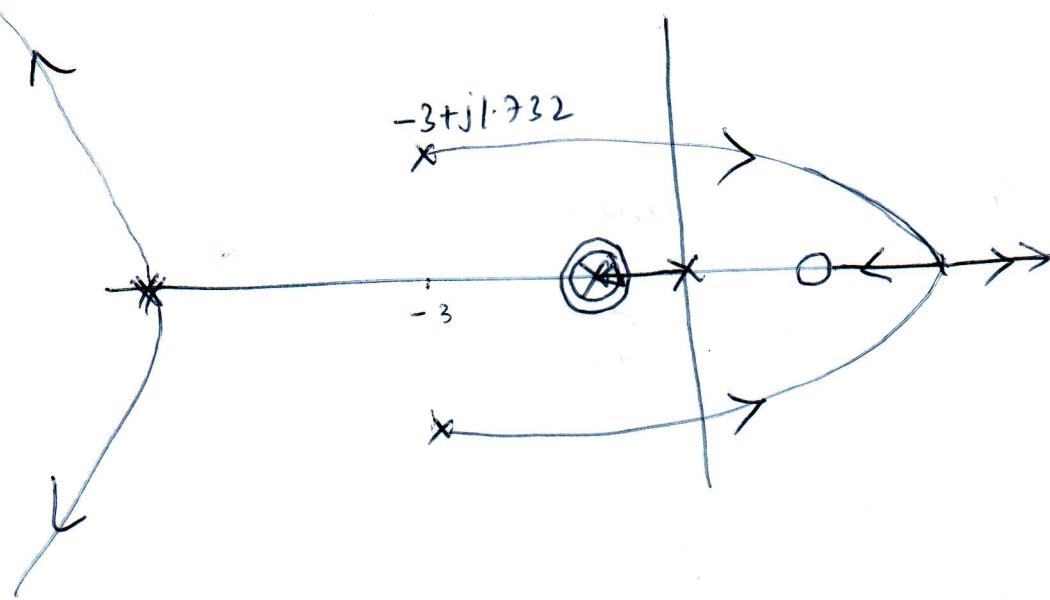
$$= \frac{5.28^2 \times 2.23 \times 2.82 \times 3.86 \times 1.04}{4.47 \times 2.23^2}$$

$$= 32.8$$

Thus the compensator form is

$$C(s) = 32.8 \frac{(s+1)^2}{(s+7)^2}$$

Let's see how this compensator reshapes the root locus.



1. There are 6 poles and 3 zeros \Rightarrow 3 root locus branches converging to ∞ along asymptotes $0^\circ, \pm 120^\circ$
2. The zero at -1 will lock the pole at -1 permanently.
3. pole at $s=0$ would converge to zero at $s=-1$.
4. Two poles at -7 would break away from each other and converge along asymptotes $\pm 120^\circ$ as the centroid is at $s = -7$ ($= \frac{-14 - 6 + 1 - 2}{3}$)
5. Two complex conjugate poles would branch towards RHS plane - one branch would converge to zero at $s=2$ & the other converging to ∞ at 0° asymptote
6. Although $-2 \pm j2$ are closed loop poles of the compensated system, they are not dominant poles.

$$T(s) = \frac{-G(s)C(s)}{1 + C(s)G(s)}$$

$$= \frac{-32.8 s^3 + 98.4 s + 65.6}{s^6 + 21s^5 + 165s^4 + 574.2s^3 + 1050s^2 + 686.4s + 65.6}$$

Closed loop poles are

$$-7.84 \pm j2.82$$

$$-2 \pm j2$$

$$-1.0$$

$$-0.1144$$

Since the pole -0.1144 is dominant,
the system will be very sluggish.

The system gain is fixed at 32.8.

The root locus would cross the
JW axis at gain $K \approx 270$.

Compare this to the uncompensated
system where $K = 6.62$. Thus the
range of K has increased by 45 times.

If we want to keep shape of the
root locus similar to uncompensated
one, one possible design is

$$C(s) = 13.5 \frac{(s+1.5)}{s+8}$$

Closed loop poles are:

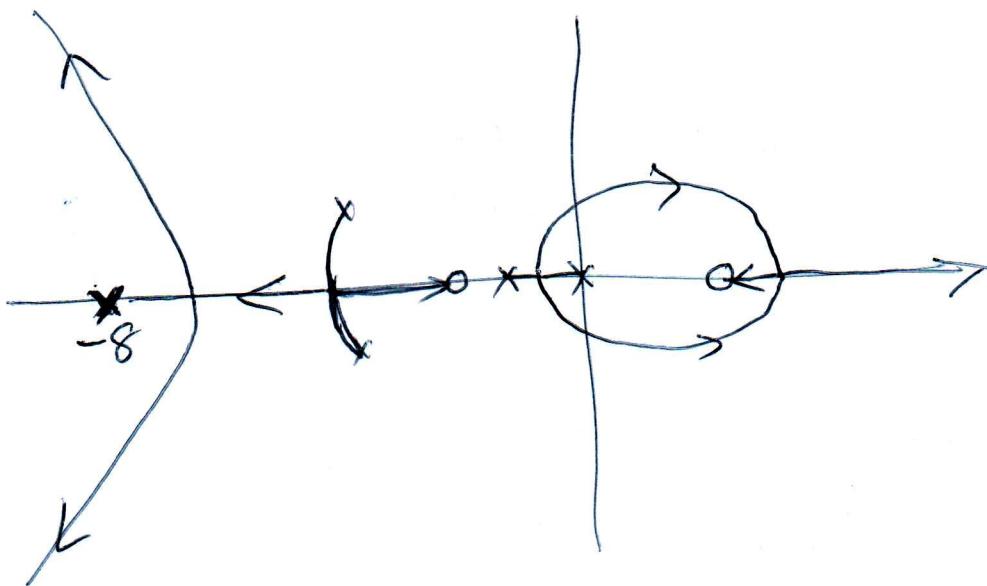
~~-0.44 + j0.548~~ dominant poles

$$-2.6697$$

$$-4.19$$

$$-7.246$$

The root locus would look as



Homework assignment:

Can you design a compensator where the dominant poles are
 $-0.8 \pm j0.8$?