

Feedback Control

Subjects:

- Nyquist stability criterion.

Literature: black fifth edition, **red** sixth edition

- 340-353: **337-351**: The Nyquist Stability Criterion. For many students this mini-module is hard to understand so read the text with attention to detail.

Problems:

1. Nyquist plot

Sketch the Nyquist plot for a system given by the open loop transfer function $KGH(s)$:

$$KGH(s) = \frac{K}{s(\tau s + 1)}$$

K and τ are positive constants.

2. Nyquist plot. (The submarine). (J. Nørgaard Nielsen, 1991)

- Assuming that $K > 0$, show using Nyquist stability criterion that the depth control is unstable without the dotted feedbacks.

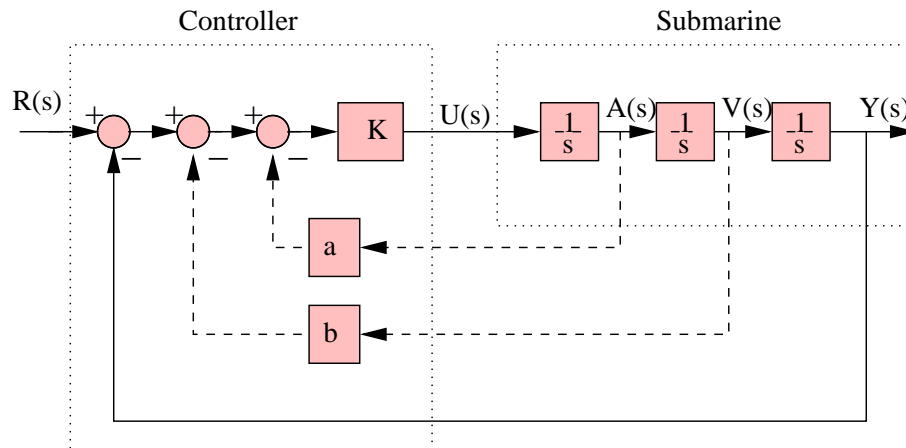


Figure 1: *Submarine*

3. Nyquist stability

In some systems there may be stability problems at low frequencies, e.g. in an electronic amplifier built of a number of single stages all with a lower corner frequency. As an example we have 3 stages all with the same lower 3dB frequency of 1 [rad/sec] and a total gain of 1000. Using unit feedback a block diagram is shown in the figure. If there is instability in the electronic circuit it is called 'motorboating' due to the sound it produces in a loudspeaker.

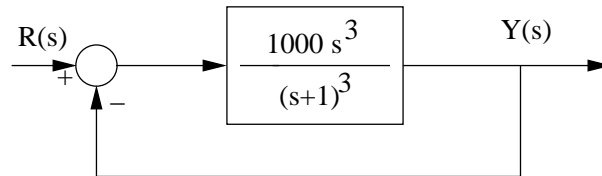


Figure 2: *Amplifier with unit feedback*

- Use Nyquist's stability criterion to determine if the system in figure 2 is stable.

4. Nyquist stability

In figure 3 is a proportional controlled system. In figure 4 is a Nyquist plot of the function $\frac{1}{(s+1)(s+1)(s+1)}$.

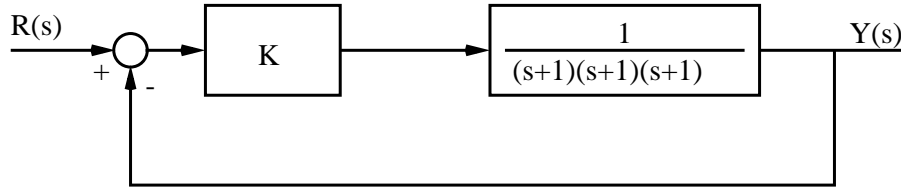


Figure 3: *Proportional controlled system*

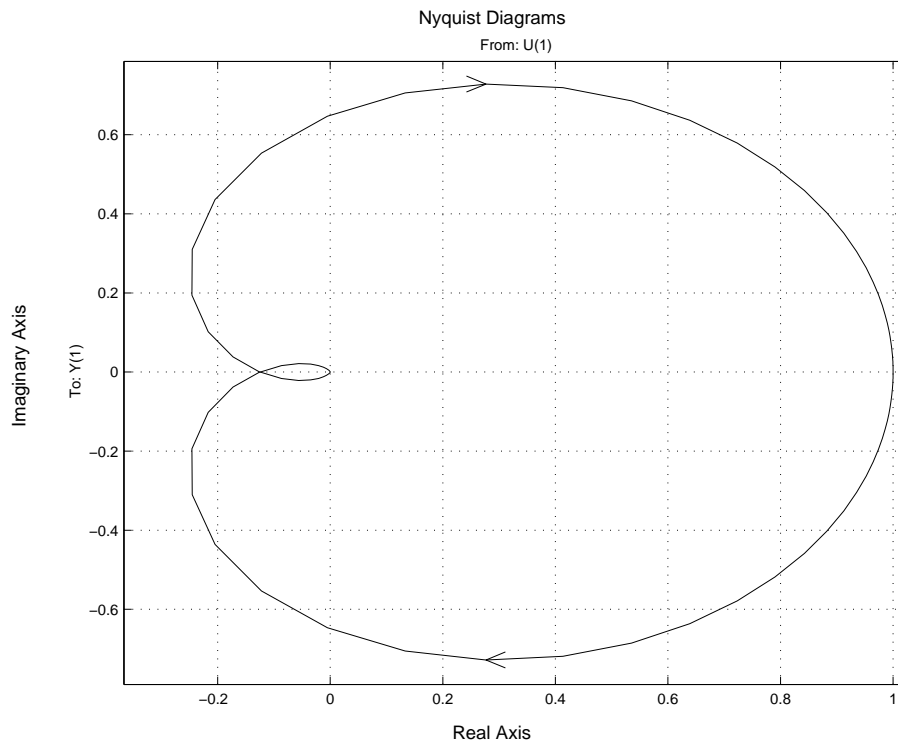


Figure 4: *Nyquist plot* $\frac{1}{(s+1)(s+1)(s+1)}$

- Use Nyquist stability criterion to determine the values of K giving a stable system.

General Nyquist contour:

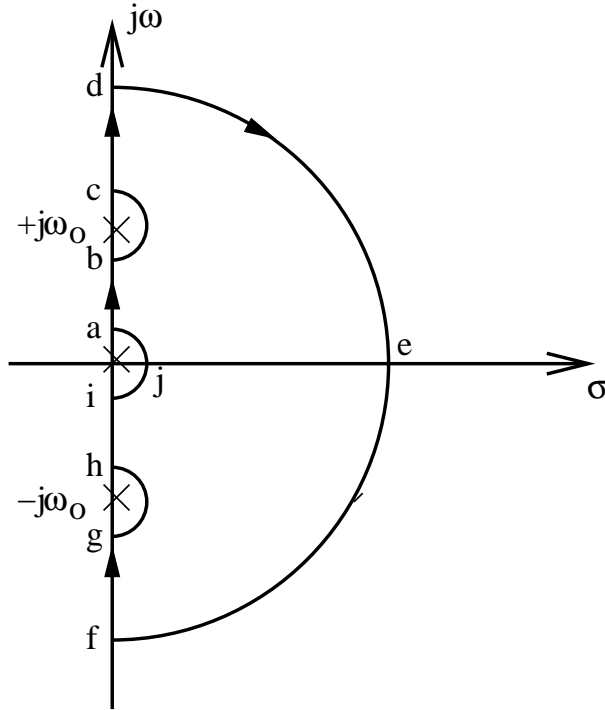


Figure 5: *General Nyquist contour*

<i>Path</i>	<i>Equation</i>	<i>Valid for</i>
ab	$s = j\omega$	$0 < \omega < \omega_o$
bc	$s = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} (j\omega_o + re^{j\Theta})$	$-90^\circ \leq \Theta \leq +90^\circ$
cd	$s = j\omega$	$\omega_o < \omega < \infty$
def	$s = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} Re^{j\Theta}$	$+90^\circ \geq \Theta \geq -90^\circ$
fg	$s = j\omega$	$-\infty < \omega < -\omega_o$
gh	$s = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} (-j\omega_o + re^{j\Theta})$	$-90^\circ \leq \Theta \leq +90^\circ$
hi	$s = j\omega$	$-\omega_o < \omega < 0$
ija	$s = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} re^{j\Theta}$	$-90^\circ \leq \Theta \leq +90^\circ$