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Process Dynamics and Process Control

Lecture 6: Nonlinear ODE's, Linearity, Linearization, Feedback, Stability, Root Locus

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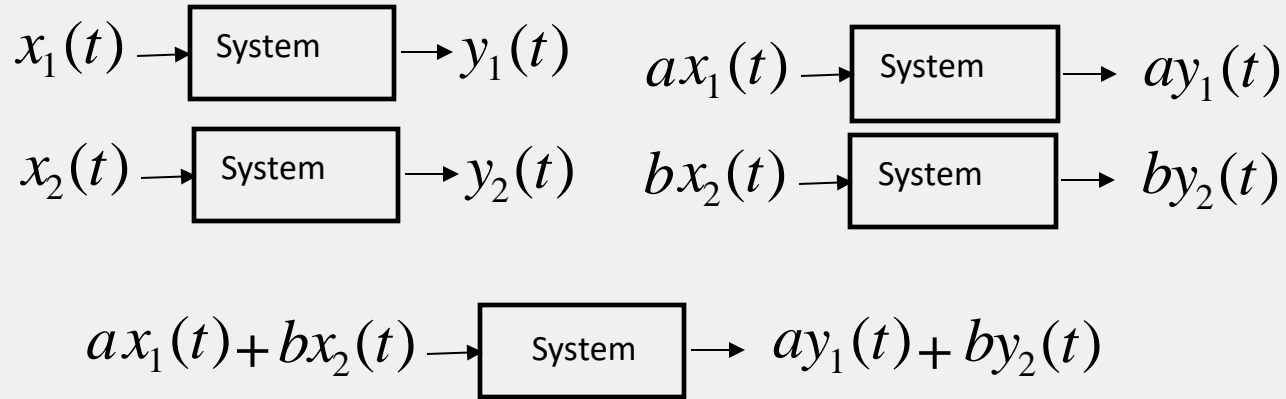
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Outline of lecture 6

- Derivation of linear approximate models
- How to check whether a system is linear or not?
- Derivation of linear approximate models
 - Taylor series expansion
- Stability
- Root Locus

Derivation of linear approximate models

Definition of System Linearity

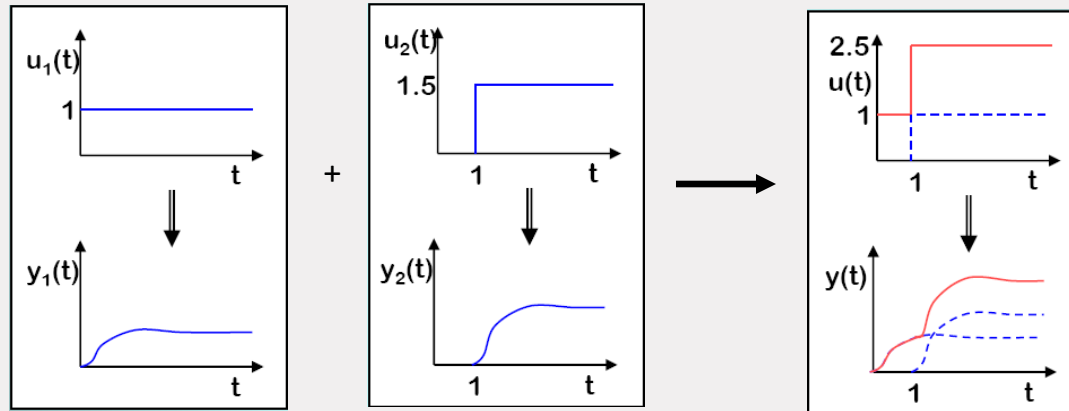


Superposition Principle:

$$F(ax_1(t) + bx_2(t)) = aF(x_1(t)) + bF(x_2(t))$$

F is a linear operator

Illustration of Superposition Principle



Derivation of linear approximate models

An approximate linear model can be obtained by local linearization of the process behavior in the operating point; each non-linear term is approximated by a Taylor series expansion

- Taylor series for a function of one variable:

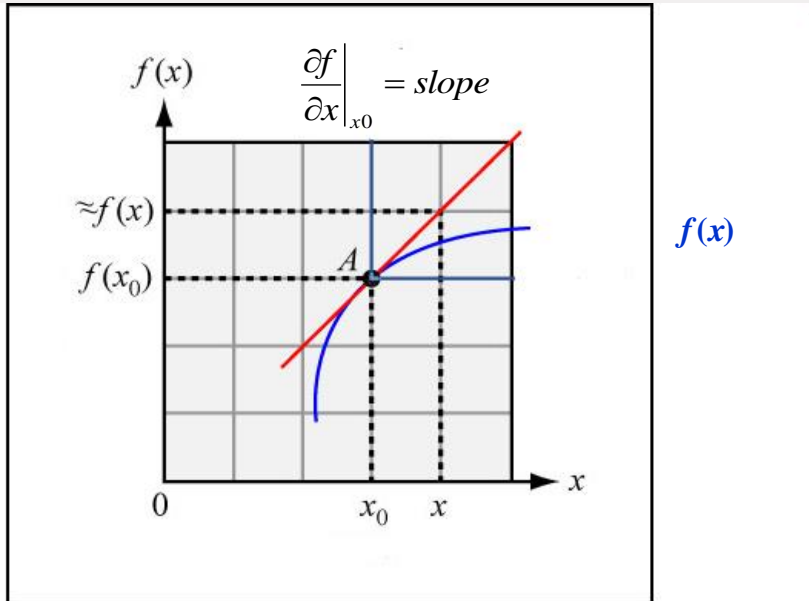
$$F(x) \approx F(x_s) + \left. \frac{\partial F(x)}{\partial x} \right|_{x_s} (x - x_s) + \frac{1}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 F(x)}{\partial x^2} \right|_{x_s} (x - x_s)^2 + \text{H.O.T}$$

Derivation of linear approximate models

Taylor series for a function of two variables:

$$\begin{aligned} F(x_1, x_2) \cong & F(x_{1s}, x_{2s}) + \left. \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_1} \right|_{x_1=x_{1s}, x_2=x_{2s}} (x_1 - x_{1s}) + \left. \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_2} \right|_{x_1=x_{1s}, x_2=x_{2s}} (x_2 - x_{2s}) + \\ & \frac{1}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x_1^2} \right|_{x_1=x_{1s}, x_2=x_{2s}} (x_1 - x_{1s})^2 + \frac{1}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x_2^2} \right|_{x_1=x_{1s}, x_2=x_{2s}} (x_2 - x_{2s})^2 + \\ & \frac{1}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} \right|_{x_1=x_{1s}, x_2=x_{2s}} (x_1 - x_{1s})(x_2 - x_{2s}) + \end{aligned}$$

Illustration of linearization up to 1st order



$$\frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = \left. \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} \right|_{x_0}$$

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + \left. \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} \right|_{x_0} \cdot (x - x_0)$$

Linearization

Example: Linearize $y = xz$ around the operating point/reference point (x_s, z_s)

$$y(x, z) \cong y(x_s, z_s) + \left. \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right|_{x_s, z_s} \cdot (x - x_s) + \left. \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} \right|_{x_s, z_s} \cdot (z - z_s)$$
$$y(x, z) \cong y(x_s, z_s) + z_s(x - x_s) + x_s(z - z_s)$$

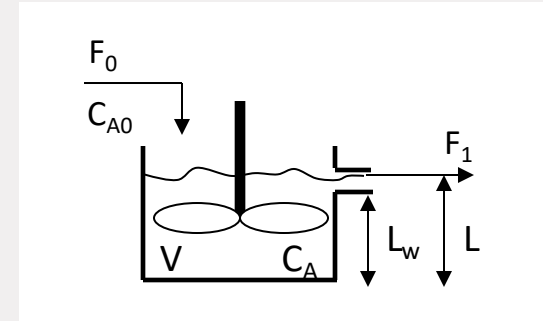
Deviation Variables: represent perturbations from normal operating point/reference point

$$\Delta y \cong z_s \Delta x + x_s \Delta z, \quad \Delta y = y - y(x_s, z_s), \quad \Delta x = x - x_s, \quad \Delta z = z - z_s$$

Some modelling examples

Isothermal CSTR with 2nd order chemical reaction

- Goal: Determine the transient step response of tank concentration C_A to the inlet concentration C_{A0} both for the non-linear model and for the linear approximate model
- Information: See figure
- Assumptions:
 - Well mixed vessel
 - Density solvent and A are equal
 - Flow in is constant
- Data:
 - $F_0=0.085 \text{ m}^3/\text{min}$; $V=2.1 \text{ m}^3$; $(C_{A0})_{\text{init}}=0.925 \text{ mole/m}^3$;
 - $\Delta C_{A0}=0.925 \text{ mole/m}^3$; $(C_A)_{\text{init}}=0.236 \text{ mole/m}^3$;
 - $r_A=-kC_A^2$; $k=0.5 [(\text{mole/m}^3)\text{min}]^{-1}$
 - The reactor is isothermal



Some modelling examples

Formulation of the model:

- Apply overall and component balances

- Overall mass balance:

$$\frac{d(\rho \cdot V)}{dt} = \rho \cdot \frac{dV}{dt} + V \cdot \frac{d\rho}{dt} = \rho \cdot \frac{dV}{dt} = F_0 \cdot \rho - F_1 \cdot \rho$$

- F_0 and V are both variables in this equation; an additional equation -linking F_1 and L - is applied to cover the two degrees of freedom:

$$F_1 = k_F \cdot \sqrt{L - L_w} \quad \text{for} \quad L > L_w$$

- If we assume $(L - L_w) \ll L$, the liquid level in the tank may be assumed to be constant and $F_0 = F_1 = F$
 - As a consequence:

$$\rho \cdot \frac{dV}{dt} = \rho \cdot (F_0 - F_1) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \therefore V = \text{constant} \quad (1)$$

Some modelling examples

- Component balance for component A:

$$Mw_A \cdot V \cdot \frac{dC_A}{dt} = Mw_A \cdot F \cdot (C_{A_0} - C_A) - Mw_A \cdot V \cdot k \cdot C_A^2 \quad (2)$$

with: Mw_A molecular weight of A

- Degree of freedom analysis:

- Variables: C_A, F_1
- External or disturbance variables: C_{A0}, F_0
- Equations: (1), (2)

- Rewriting and linearization of the non-linear term in (2):

$$V \cdot \frac{dC_A}{dt} = F \cdot (C_{A_0} - C_A) - V \cdot k \cdot (C_{As}^2 + 2 \cdot C_{As} \cdot (C_A - C_{As})) \quad (3)$$

Some modelling examples

- At steady state condition the following holds:

$$V \cdot \frac{dC_{As}}{dt} = 0 = F \cdot (C_{A_0} - C_{As}) - V \cdot k \cdot C_{As}^2$$

- Subtracting this result from (3) gives the model in deviation variables (indicated by x') from the steady state:

$$V \cdot \frac{dC'_A}{dt} = F \cdot (C'_{A_0} - C'_A) - 2 \cdot V \cdot k \cdot C_{As} \cdot C'_A \quad (4)$$

- This equation can be rewritten as a standard first order linear ordinary differential equation:

$$\frac{dC'_A}{dt} + \frac{1}{\tau} \cdot C'_A = \frac{F}{V} \cdot C'_{A_0} \quad \text{With: } \tau = \frac{V}{F + 2 \cdot V \cdot k \cdot C_{As}}$$

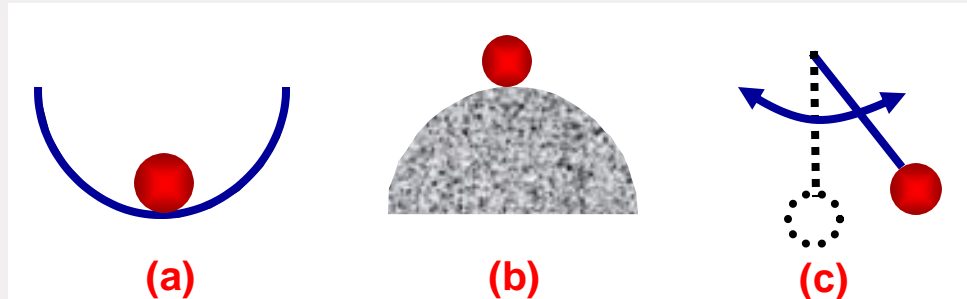
Take Home Message

How to obtain transfer functions from non-linear process models:

- Find steady-state of process
- Linearize around the steady-state
- Express in terms of deviations variables around the steady-state
- Take Laplace transform

Stability

- A dynamic system is stable if the system output response is bounded for all bounded inputs (Bounded Input Bounded Output Stability).
- A stable system will tend to return to its equilibrium point following a disturbance.
- An unstable system will have the tendency to move away from its equilibrium point following a disturbance.



Stability

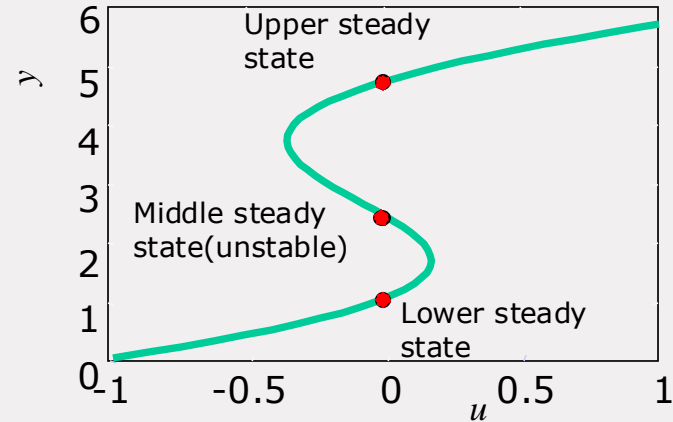
Question: Can you give an example of a chemical system that can be unstable?

CSTR with an irreversible reaction^{*)}



$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= -\phi x_1 \kappa(x_2) + q(x_{1f} - x_1) \\ \dot{x}_2 &= \beta \phi x_1 \kappa(x_2) - (q + \delta)x_2 + \delta u + q x_{2f} \\ y &= x_2 \quad \kappa(x_2) = \exp\left(\frac{x_2}{1 + \frac{x_2}{\gamma}}\right)\end{aligned}$$

^{*)} Chemical Reactor Analysis and Design, Chapter 10.4.1, Froment & Bischoff



Steady state input-output behavior

Stability

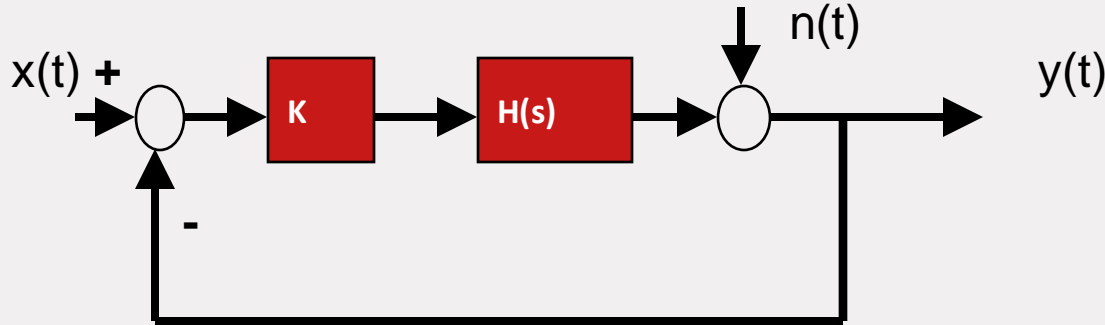
How to determine whether a linear system is stable?

- Roots of the characteristic equation
- Simulation
- Bode stability

Closed loop Stability

Roots of the characteristic equation

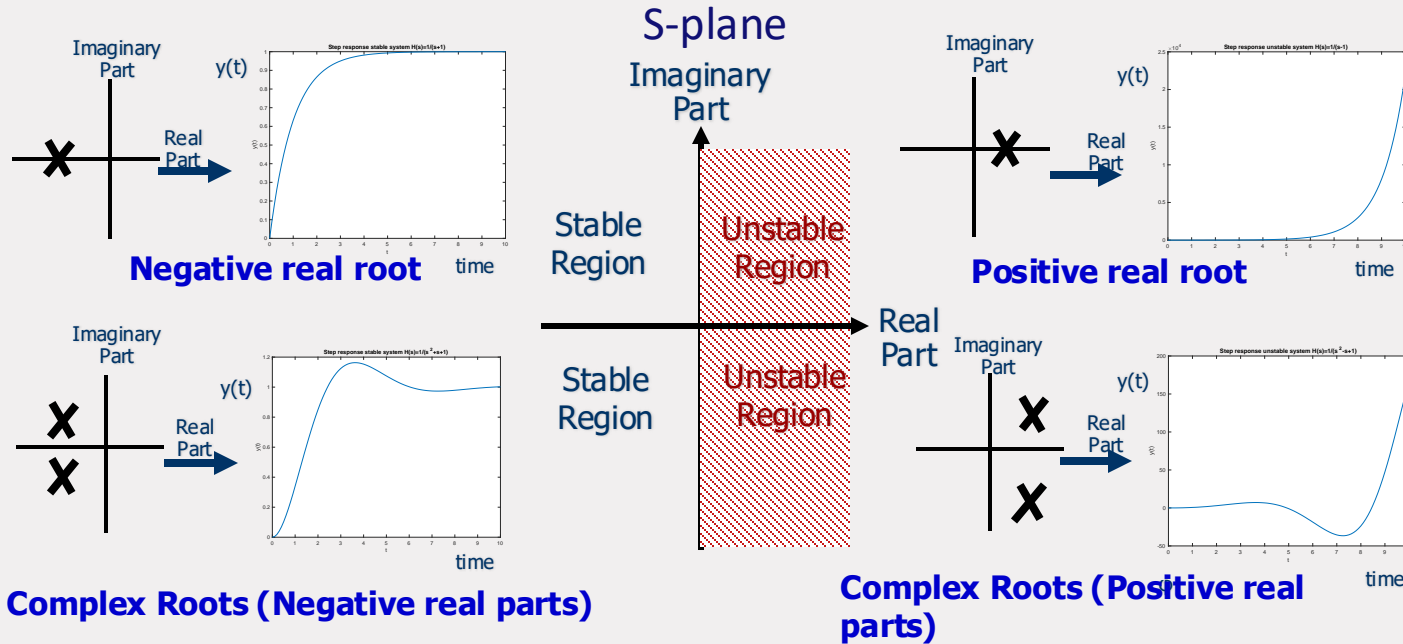
The location of the roots in the s-plane determines if a system is stable or not



$$Y(s) = H_{xy,cl}(s)X(s) + H_{ny,cl}N(s) = \frac{KH(s)}{1 + KH(s)}X(s) + \frac{1}{1 + KH(s)}N(s)$$

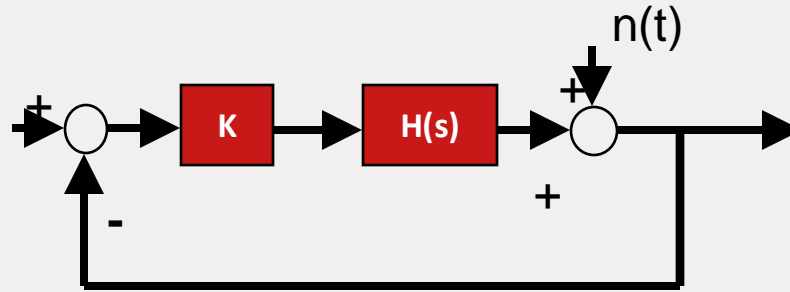
$$1 + KH(s) = 0$$

Stability



Rootlocus

Effect of gain in loop



Example 1:

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

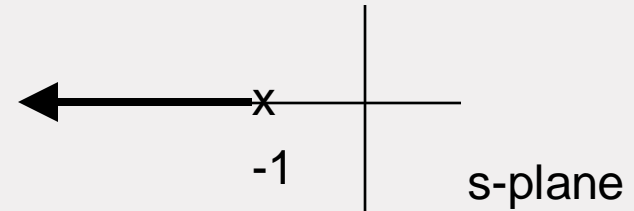
$$H_{cl}(s) = \frac{KH(s)}{1 + KH(s)}$$

$$H_{cl}(s) = \frac{K}{s + 1 + K}$$

- pole position: $s_1 = -(1+K)$
- if K varies from 0 to ∞

pole s_1 of $H_{cl}(s)$ moves from -1 to $-\infty$

- The track followed is called the rootlocus of $H(s)$



Rootlocus

The path that poles follow when gain K in the loop is varied

Example 2: $H(s) = \frac{s + b}{s + a}$ $H_{cl}(s) = \frac{K(s + b)}{(1 + K)s + (a + Kb)}$

closed loop system has pole in:

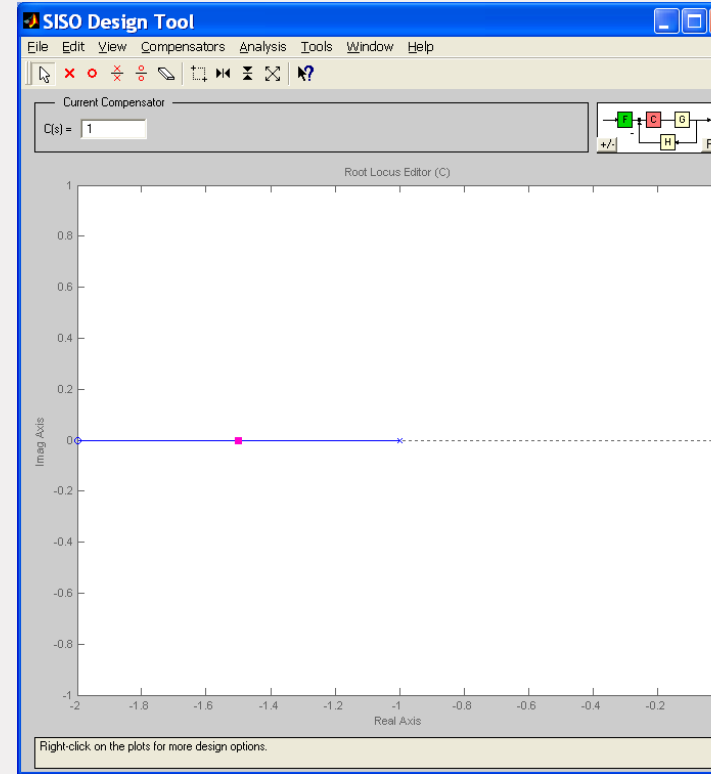
$$s_1 = -\frac{a + Kb}{1 + K}$$

for $K = 0$ pole is located in $s_1 = -a$

for $K = \infty$ pole is located in $s_1 = -b$

rootlocus

moves from pole to zero of $H(s)$!



Rootlocus

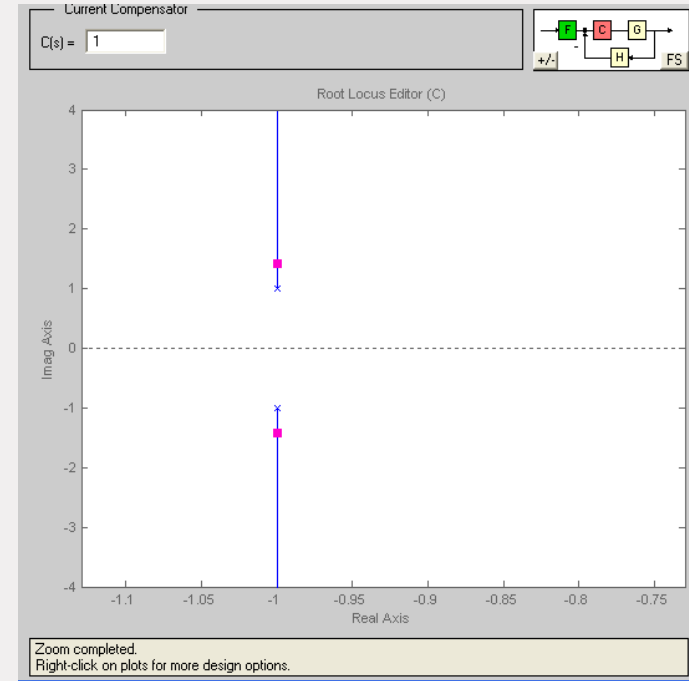
Example 3:

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 2} \quad H_{cl}(s) = \frac{K}{s^2 + 2s + 2 + K}$$

Open loop Poles: $s_{1,2} = -1 \pm j$

Closed loop Poles:

$$s_{1,2} = -1 \pm j\sqrt{1 + K}$$



Rootlocus

Example 4: $H(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^3}$

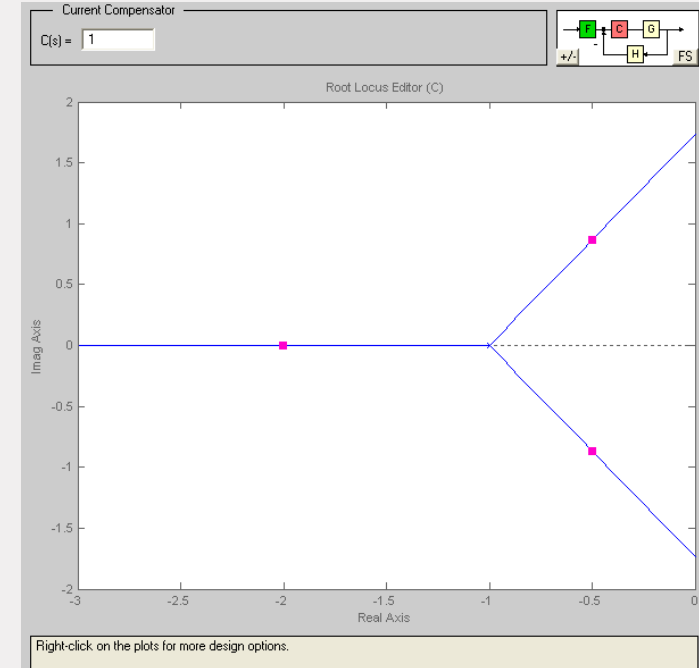
$$H_{cl}(s) = \frac{K}{(s+1)^3 + K} = \frac{K}{s^3 + 3s^2 + 3s + 1 + K}$$

open loop system $H(s)$ has 3 poles in $s_i = -1$

closed loop system $H_{cl}(s)$ has 3 poles:

- one pole is real
- two poles are complex conjugate

The rootlocus of $H_{cl}(s)$ is shown in the figure



Rootlocus

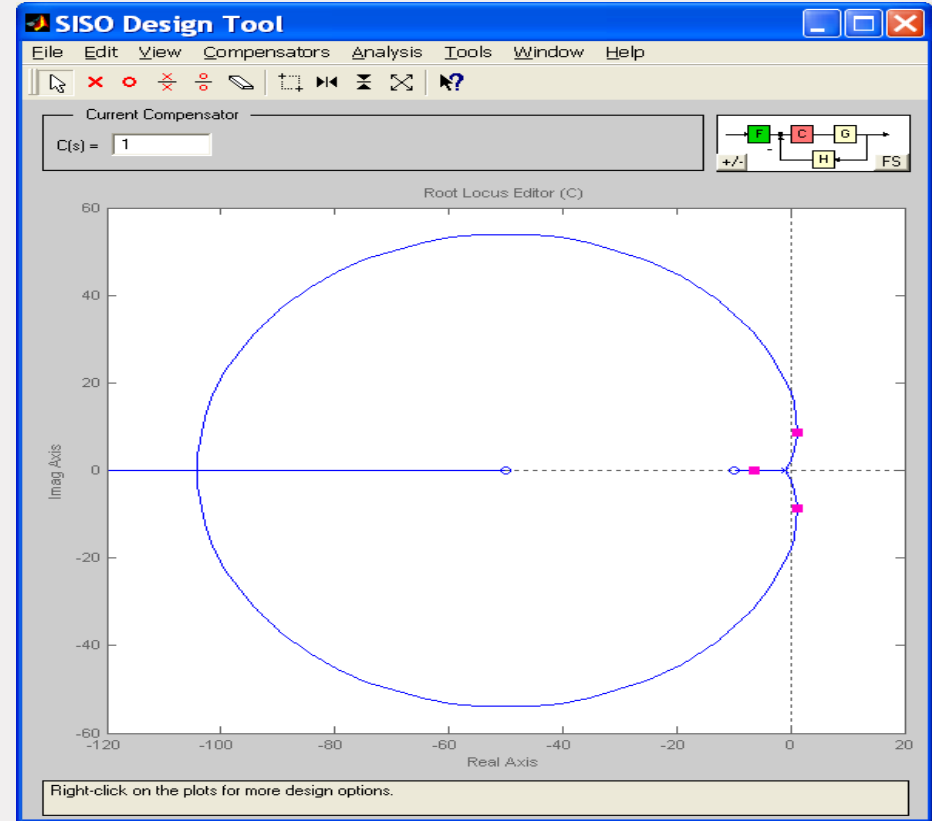
rules for rootloci:

- suppose that $H(s)$ has N poles and M zeros $N \geq M$
- the zeros of $H_{cl}(s)$ are the zeros of $H(s)$
- the poles of $H_{cl}(s)$ can be calculated from $1 + KH(s) = 0$
- the loci depart from the N poles of $H(s)$ for $K = 0$;
 - the locus has N branches
 - M branches of the loci arrive, for $K = \infty$, in the M zeros of $H(s)$
 - $N-M$ branches disappear, for $K \rightarrow \infty$, to ∞ along asymptotes
 - the angles of the asymptotes are given by:
 - $N - M = 1$: -180°
 - $N - M = 2$: $+90^\circ$ and -90°
 - $N - M = 3$: $+60^\circ$, -180° and -60°
 - etc.

Rootlocus

Example 5:

$$H(s) = \frac{(s+10)(s+50)}{(s+1)^3}$$

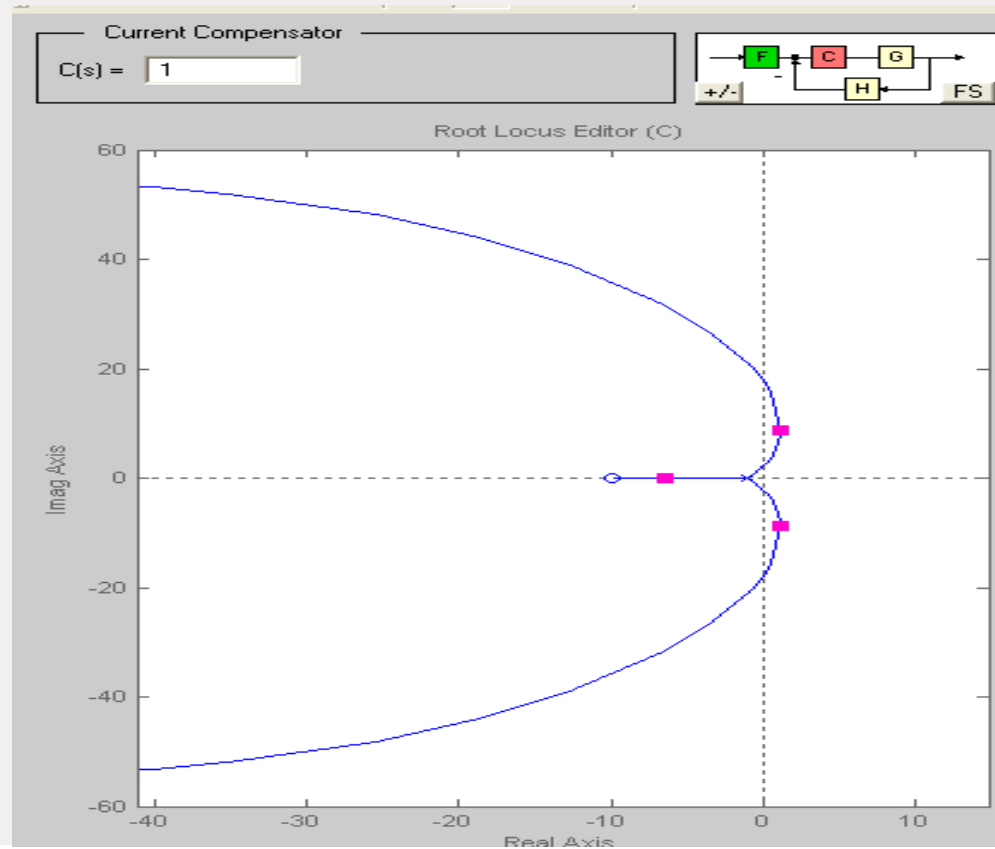


Rootlocus

Example 5:

$$H(s) = \frac{(s+10)(s+50)}{(s+1)^3}$$

part of the rootlocus close to the origin
of the s-plane



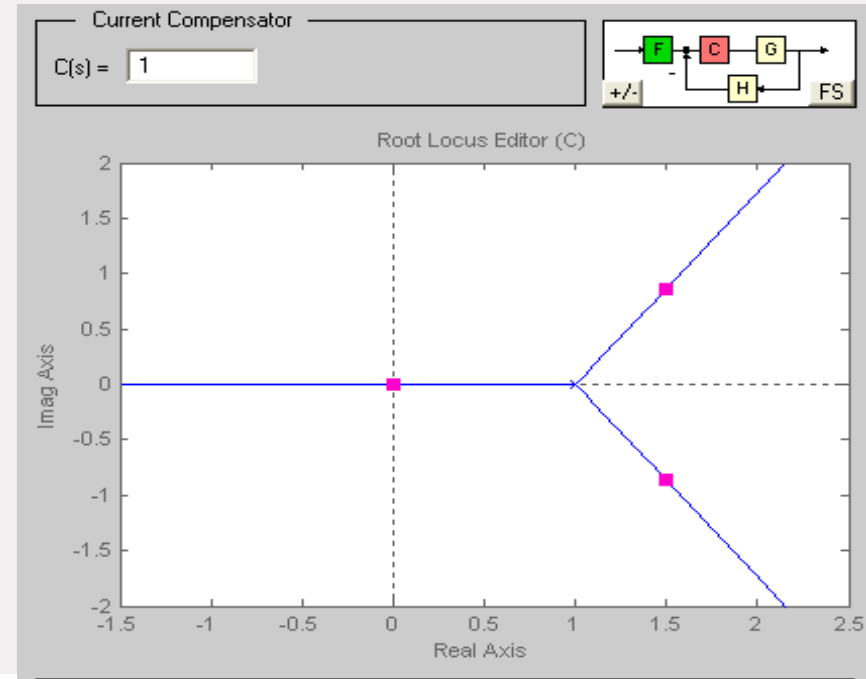
Rootlocus

Rootlocus as designtool

Change behavior of systems in closed loop
to make unstable processes stable

Example 6: $H(s) = \frac{1}{(s - 1)^3}$

$H(s)$ is the open loop transfer function of an
unstable system with 3 poles in $s_i=+1$



Rootlocus

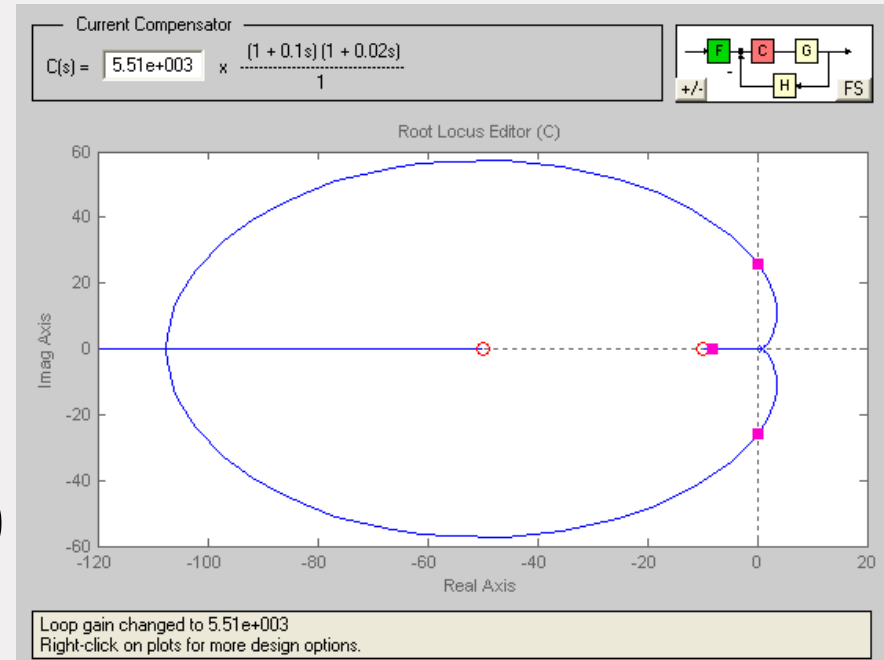
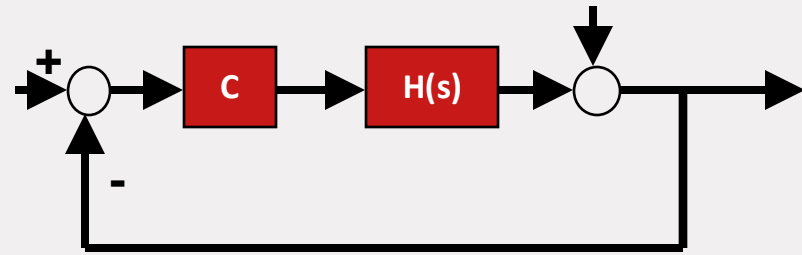
Rootlocus as designtool

Open loop system transfer function:

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{(s - 1)^3}$$

Now choose the controller:

$$C(s) = K(s + 10)(s + 50)$$

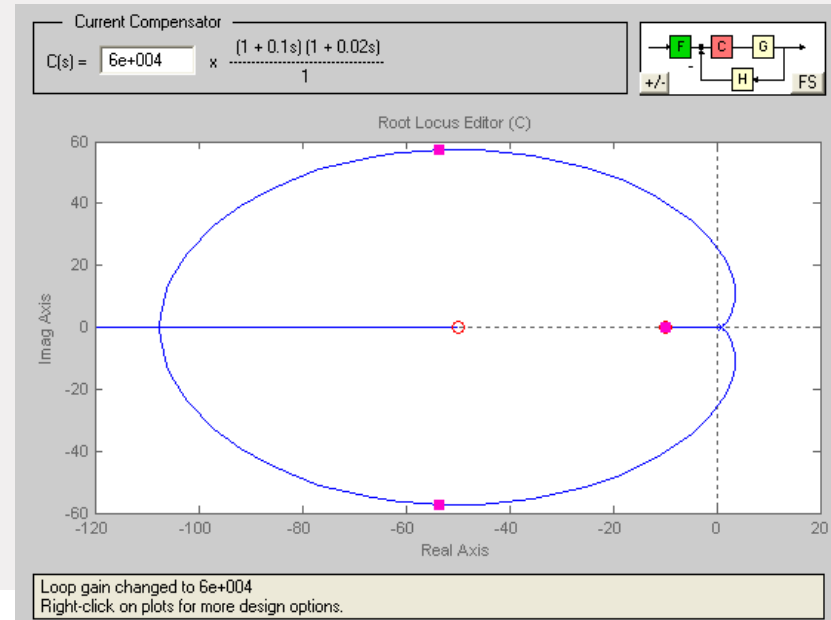
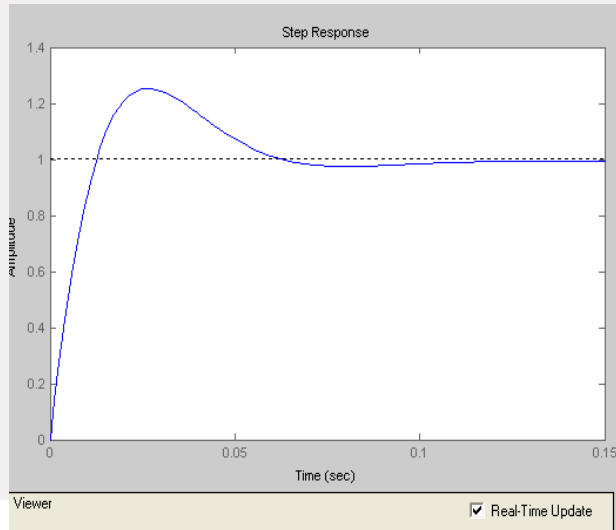
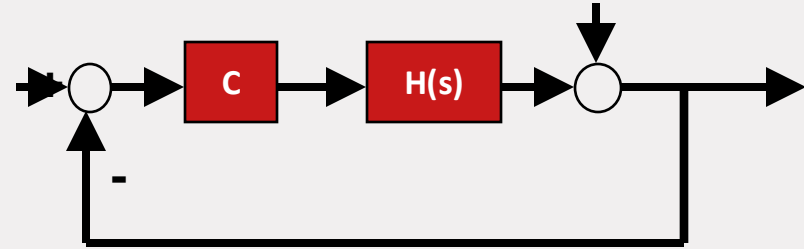


Rootlocus

Rootlocus as designtool

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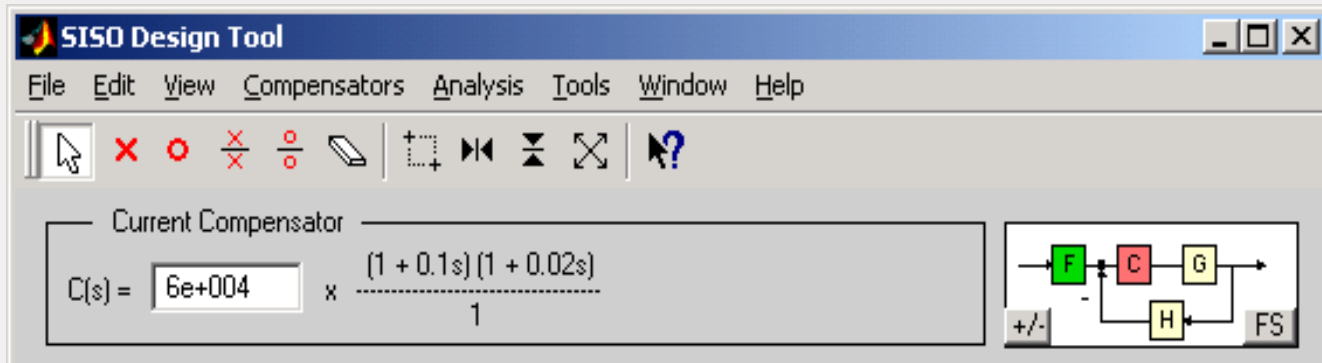
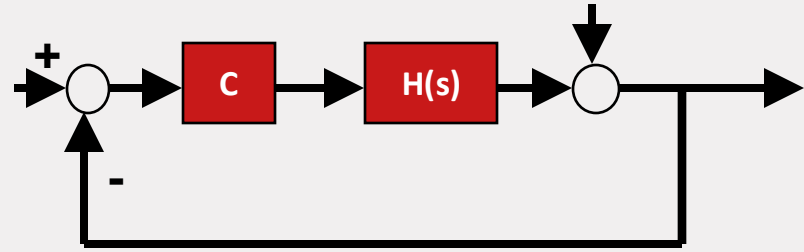
$$C(s) = 120(s + 10)(s + 50)$$



Rootlocus

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{(s - 1)^3}$$

$$C(s) = 120(s + 10)(s + 50)$$



Summary

- Non-linear system behavior can be approximated by a linear system description:
 - apply Taylor series expansion to each of the non-linear terms of the non-linear differential equation
 - describe the true system by just retaining the linear terms
- To go to deviation variables steady state behavior needs to be subtracted from the resulting linear differential equation
- Rootloci (Latin for: “path’s followed by poles”) describe the positions poles will take in the s-plane as function of change in the controller gain
- Pole locations of the closed loop transfer function move from original open-loop pole locations of $H(s)$ for $K=0$ to open-loop zero locations or to infinity