



## 2A - Automatique

### Chapter 4

# Control Science (AUT)

Frequency-domain approach, Design Methods, I

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# Preamble

## About this course



## Course Outline

- Nichols plot
- Specifications
- Control design - Series action

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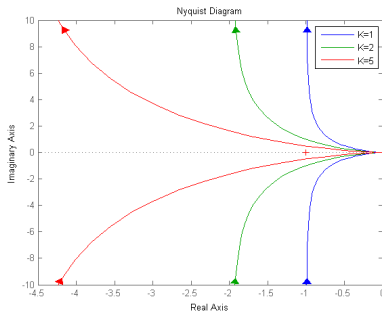




# Introduction Example

## The Limitations of the Nyquist plot

$$L(p) = K \frac{1}{p(1 + \tau p)}$$



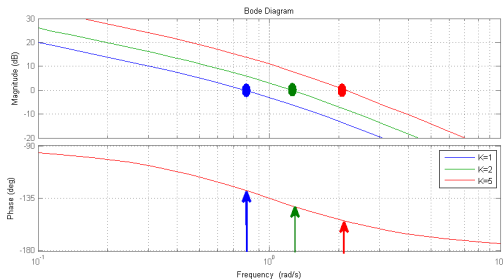
- Multiply by  $K$  : homothety in the Nyquist plot
- Reading the margins. Yes, we can ! But it is not the most appropriate tool
- What about bandwidth ?



# Introduction Example

Switching to Bode. (systematic for minimum phase systems)

$$L(p) = K \frac{1}{p(1 + \tau p)}$$



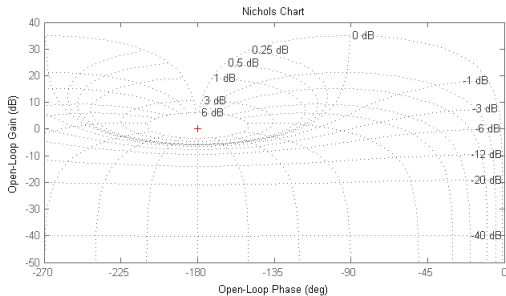
- Very convenient to read the margins and see the evolution according to  $\omega$
- The phase margin gives an idea of the closed-loop behaviour (overshoot)
- $\omega_0$  is an approximation of the bandwidth



# The Nichols plot (le lieu de Black-Nichols)

Abacus : link between  $L$  and  $\frac{1}{1+L}$

- Abscissa axis : phase of  $L(j\omega)$  in degrees
- Y-axis : Gain of  $L(j\omega)$  in dB



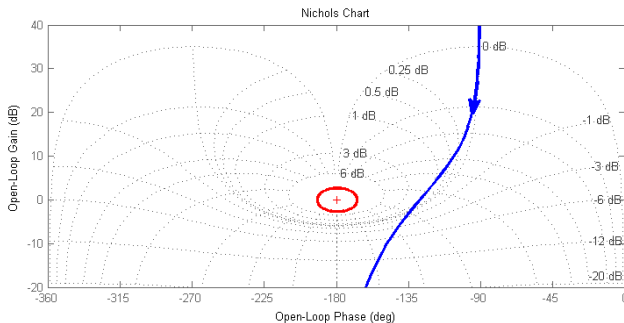
- We draw the curve  $L(j\omega)$ , parametric curve in  $\omega$
- The chart gives the isogains of the closed-loop (and also the isophases)



# The Nichols plot (le lieu de Black-Nichols)

What kind of data ?

- Stability : (systematic for minimum phase systems)



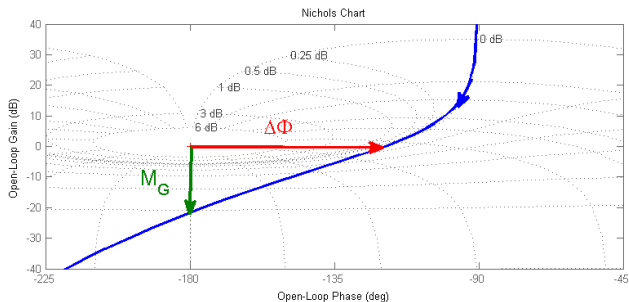
- We leave the critical point on the right when we drive in the direction of increasing  $\omega$ .



# The Nichols plot (le lieu de Black-Nichols)

What kind of data ?

- Margins : straight reading



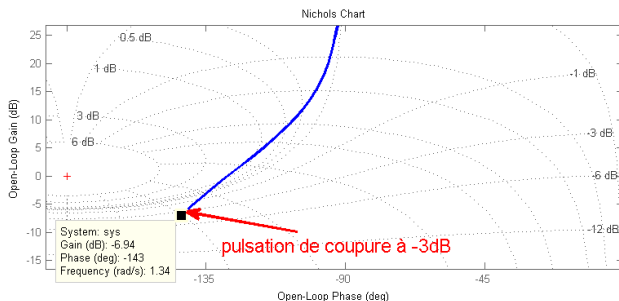




# The Nichols plot (le lieu de Black-Nichols)

What kind of data ?

- Bandwidth at  $-x$  dB



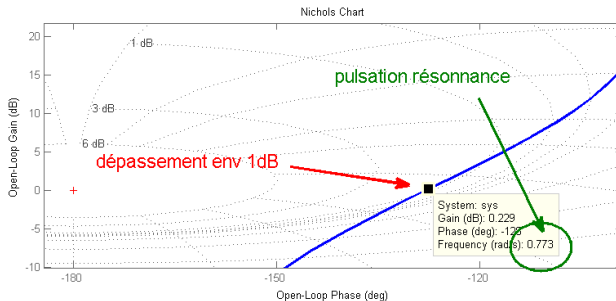
- We will look for the frequency for which the curve cuts the corresponding isogain



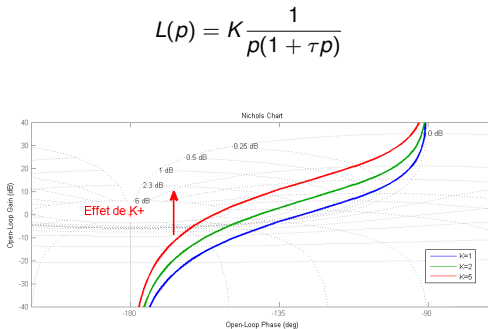
# The Nichols plot (le lieu de Black-Nichols)

What kind of data ?

- Overshoot



- We will look for the largest positive isogain tangent to the curve
- Also gives the resonance frequency



- Very convenient to read the margins and see the evolution according to  $\omega$
- We also characterize the overshooting
- Give information on the key frequencies

# Comparison

## 3 analysis tools

- The main principle : analysis of  $L$  to deduce properties of  $\frac{1}{1+L}$

### Nyquist

- Required in the general case
- Possible reading of margins, but changes difficult to anticipate

### Black-Nichols

- Systematic if minimum phase system
- Gives the frequency behavior of the closed-loop system
- Matlab required because of the parameterized curve

### Bode

- Systematic if minimum phase system
- Gives the frequency behavior of the closed-loop system
- Easy to read because *omega* is explicitly visible



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# The elements of a specification

## Stability - Accuracy - Performance - Robustness

### The easy ones :

- Stability : necessary
- Accuracy - steady-state error : depends on the number of integral actions
- Accuracy - dynamic error : the gain has to be high enough at specific frequencies
- Robustness : the margins have to be high enough

### The less easy ones :

- Bandwidth : don't try to make yourself bigger than the beef!
- The overshoot : yes, no, a little bit

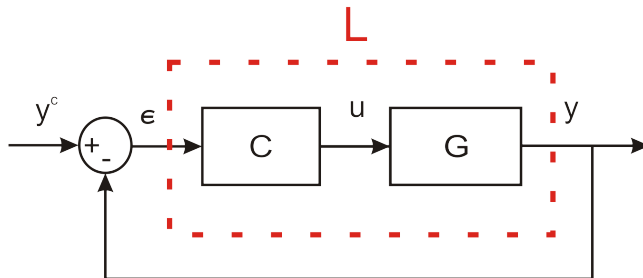
### The hard ones :

- Constraints fulfilment. (Actuator saturation, ...)

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- $G$  analysis
- Comparison with the specifications
- Determine  $C$  to modify where necessary



# Various steps

This order is not the only solution

## 1 : Performance : improving the compromise between speed and stability

- High-frequency action
- Choice of the desired bandwidth
- Choice of the desired phase margin

## 2 : Accuracy :

- Low-frequency action
- Choice of the number of integral actions
- Adjustment of the gain to certain frequencies





# First part : Performance

## Case study 1 : presentation

$$G(p) = \frac{1}{p(1 + 0.3p)(1 + 0.05p)}$$

### Specification

- Bandwidth :  $\omega_c = 4\text{rad.s}^{-1}$
- Overshoot below 10%

### Preliminary analyses : *B.*

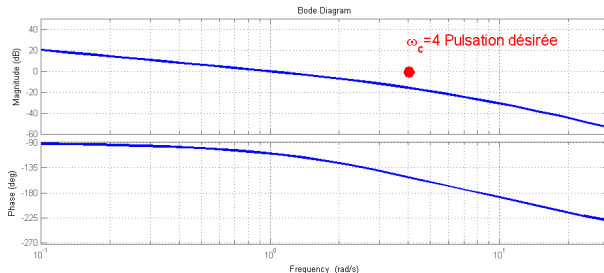
- No poles with a positive real part (except  $p = 0$ )
- Minimum phase system
- So we can do the analysis in the Bode plot

# First part : Performance

## Case study 1 : Bode diagrams



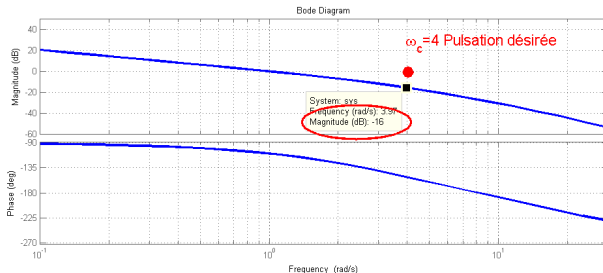
$$G(p) = \frac{1}{p(1 + 0.3p)(1 + 0.05p)}$$



# First part : Performance

## Case study 1 : control setup

$$G(p) = \frac{1}{p(1 + 0.3p)(1 + 0.05p)}$$



- 16dB is required
- $k = 10^{\frac{16}{20}}$

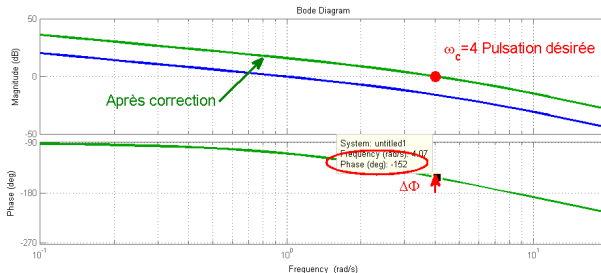




# First part : Performance

## Case study 1 : analysis of the closed loop system

$$L(p) = kG(p)$$



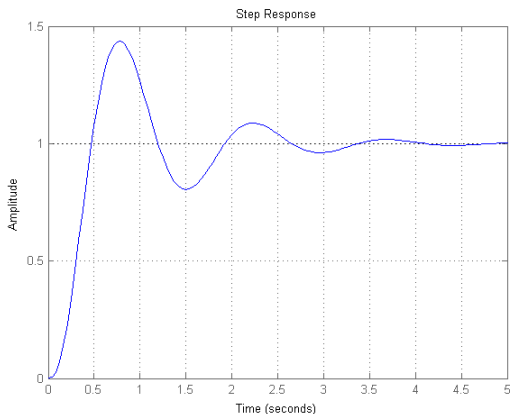
- Insufficient phase margin : only about 30 degrees : at least 60 degrees would be required
- We will not be able to act on the overshoot !
- We need to increase the phase margin



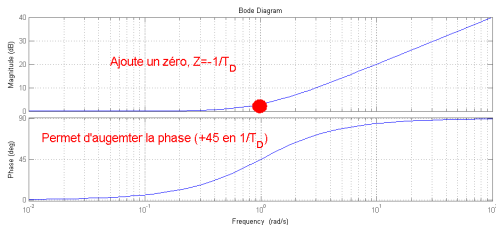
# First part : Performance

## Case study 1 : temporal checking

$$\frac{Y}{Y_c}(p) = \frac{kG(p)}{1 + kG(p)}$$



- Indeed, no surprise, there is too much overshoot



## Control analysis

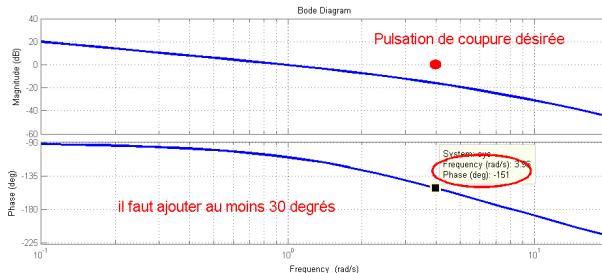
- Adds a negative real zero in  $-\frac{1}{T_D}$
- Can restore up to +90 phase (one decade after  $\frac{1}{T_D}$ )
- Add gain for the high frequencies : be careful with noise !
- Feasibility ?



# First part : Performance

Second proposition : tuning  $C(p) = k(T_D p + 1)$

$$G(p) = \frac{1}{p(1 + 0.3p)(1 + 0.05p)}$$



- At least 30 degrees must be added for the phase margin
- Roughly  $\frac{1}{T_D} \approx 4$

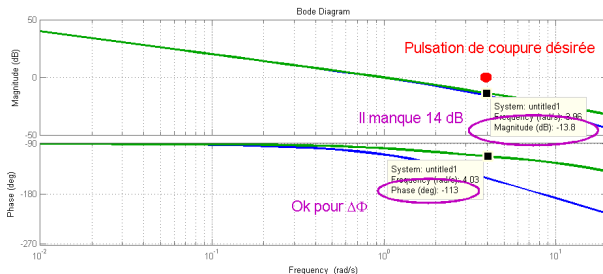




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$$L(p) = (1 + T_D p)G(p)$$



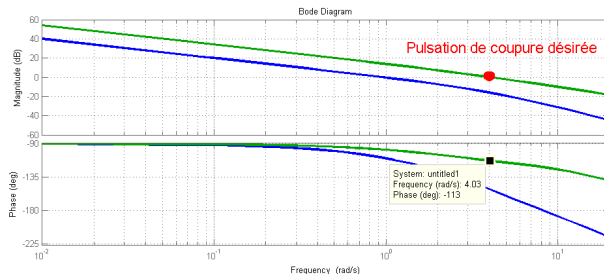
- We need to add some gain
- $k = 10^{\frac{14}{20}}$



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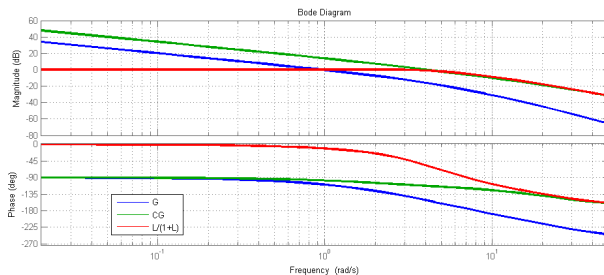
- It looks nice !
- Let's check !



# First part : Performance

Second proposition : frequency behavior checking  $C(p) = k(T_D p + 1)$

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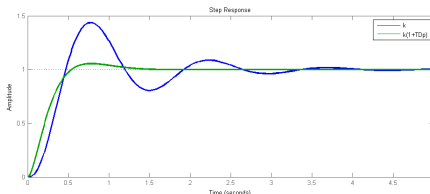
- Ok for the bandwidth
- And for the temporal behavior ?



# First part : Performance

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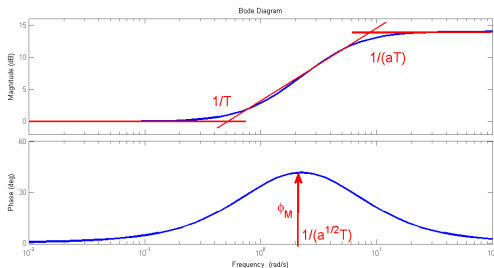
$$\frac{Y}{Y^c}(p) = \frac{k(1 + T_D p)G(p)}{1 + k(1 + T_D p)G(p)}$$



- Ok for the overshoot

## Where are the traps ?

- Be careful because the gain in HF increases !
- What about the feasibility of the control action ?
- Adding a filtering action :  $C(p) = k \frac{1 + T_D p}{1 + \frac{T_D}{N} p}$ , with N very large



## Control analysis

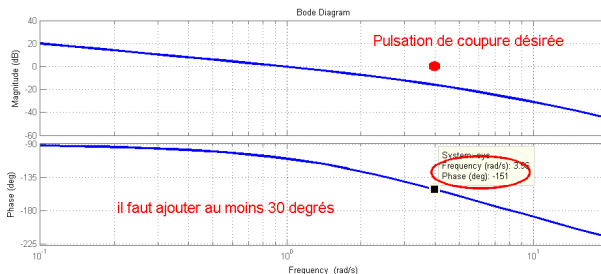
- Adds a negative real zero :  $-\frac{1}{T}$
- Adds a negative real pole :  $-\frac{1}{aT}$
- Increase the phase, with a maximum for the frequency :  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}T}$
- $a = \frac{1 - \sin \phi_M}{1 + \sin \phi_M}$



# First part : Performance

Third proposition : lead-phase action  $C(p) = k \frac{1+Tp}{1+aTp}$ ,  $a < 1$ , tuning

$$G(p) = \frac{1}{p(1 + 0.3p)(1 + 0.05p)}$$



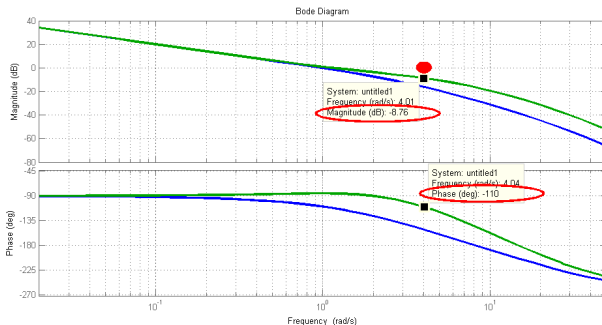
- A minimum of 30 (40) degrees must be added for the phase margin
- $a = \frac{1 - \sin \phi_M}{1 + \sin \phi_M} \approx 0.2$
- $\omega_c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}T}$  gives  $T \approx 0.6$



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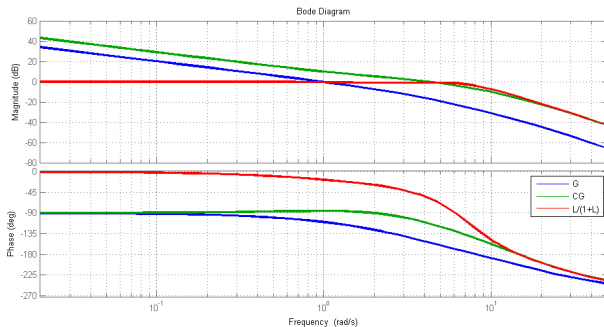
- 9dB is missing
- $k = 10^{9/20}$



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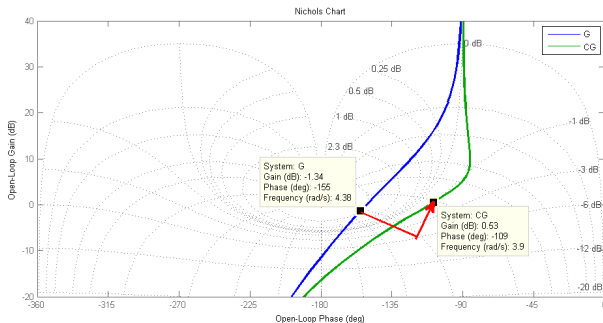




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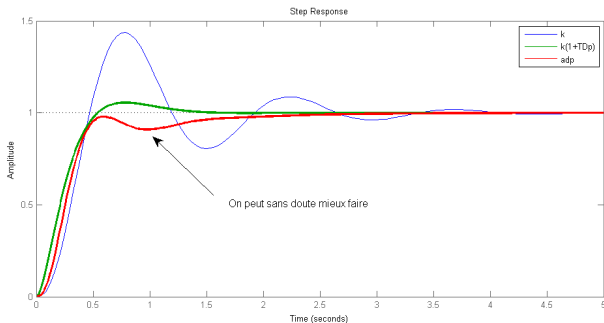
- no bad !
- maybe we could do better (the lead-phase action is too high)



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$$G(p) = \frac{1}{p(1 + 0.3p)(1 + 0.05p)}$$



- For a quick adjustment, that's good !

- 3 methods, 2 of which are relevant
- A proportional-derivative action
- Lead-phase action

### Expected skills

- Analyze the deficiencies of  $G$  to achieve desired performance
- Set up the appropriate control action and tune it
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## Part 2 : Accuracy

### Study case 2 : presentation

- The case of a temperature regulator

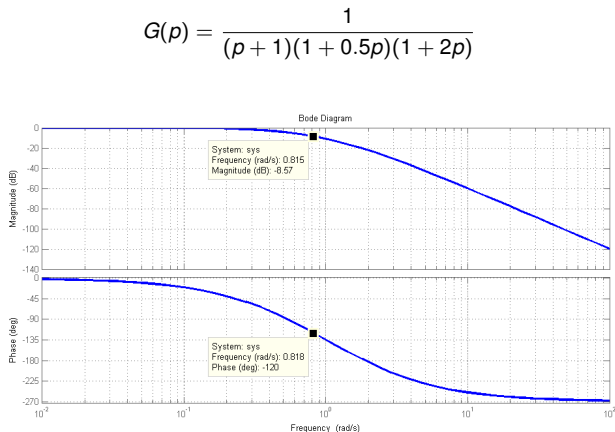
$$G(p) = \frac{1}{(p+1)(1+0.5p)(1+2p)}$$

### Specifications

- Steady-State error : below 5%
- Phase margin greater than 50 degrees

### Preliminary analysis of $G$

- No poles with real positive part : but 3 poles close enough : the phase will drop quickly !
- No integral action : a steady-state error is expected
- Minimum phase system : we can work with the Bode plots



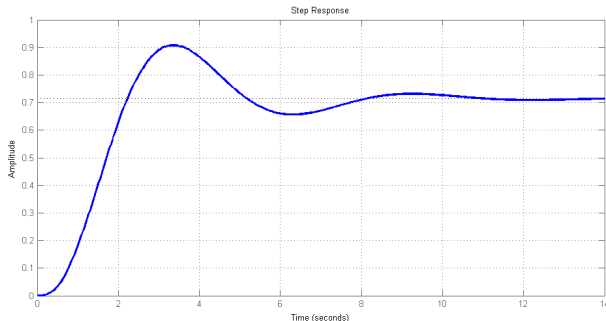
- we can increase by 8dB, with a simple gain
- $k = 10^{\frac{8}{20}} \approx 2.5$
- Bandwidth : around  $0.8 \text{ rad.s}^{-1}$
- Static gain : 2.5 : insufficient for accuracy ! Indeed :



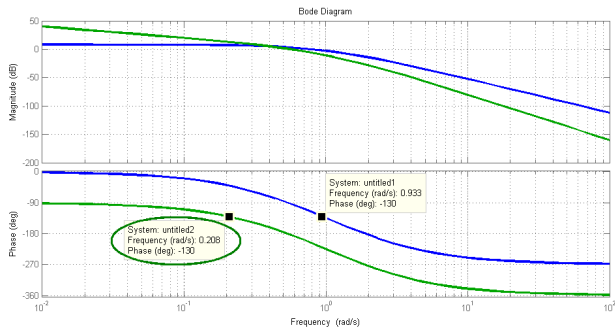
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### Study case 2 : Bode diagrams

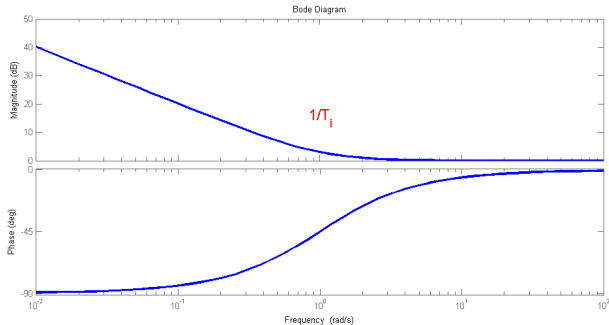
$$L(p) = kG(p)$$



- No surprise : steady-state error is around 30%
- How to improve accuracy WITHOUT changing performance ?



- Impossible with the single integral action !



- Integral action + a real zero  $-\frac{1}{T_i p}$
- Infinite gain at low frequency

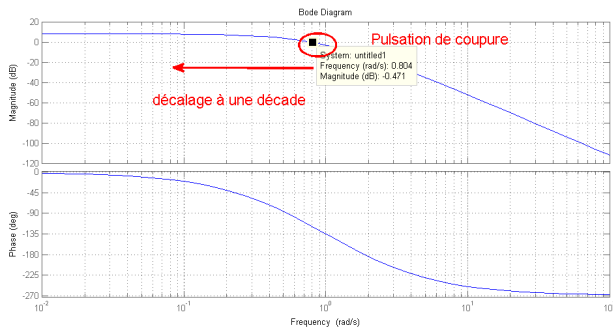




## Part 2 : Accuracy

### Study case 2 : second correction PI, tuning

$$L(p) = \frac{1 + T_i p}{T_i p} kG(p)$$



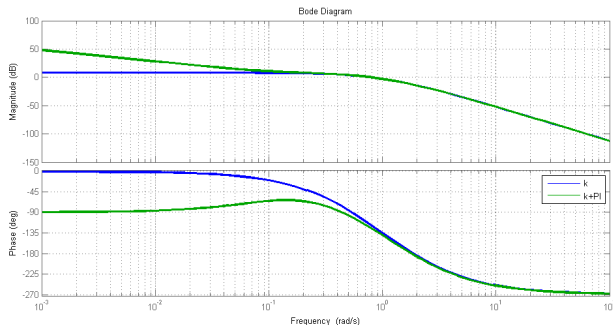
- In order not to affect performance : we can roughly work at a decade before
- This gives the value of  $T_i$



## Part 2 : Accuracy

### Study case 2 : second correction PI, Bode analysis

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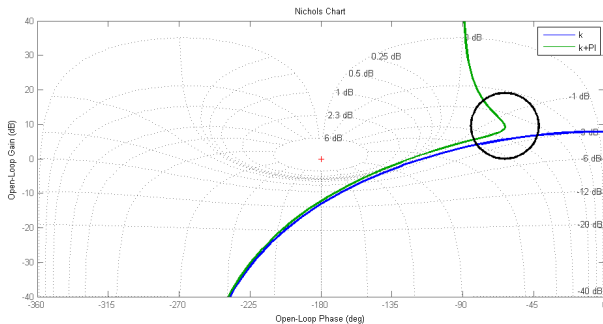
- No change in the cut-off frequency
- Integral action for the low-frequency



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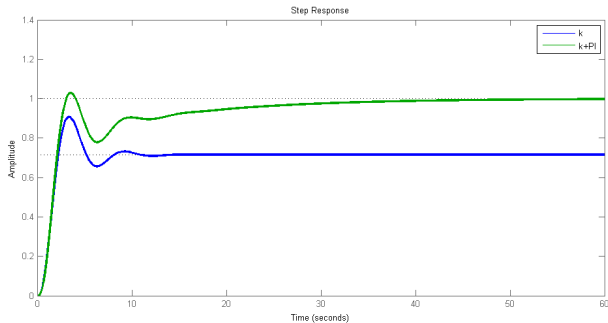
- Setting not optimized : we must be able to do better



## Part 2 : Accuracy

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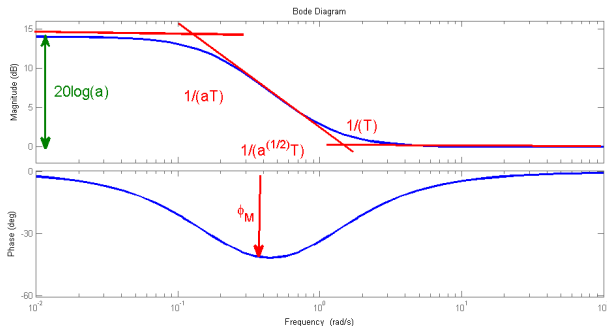


- We fulfilled the specifications, but we can do better



## Part 2 : Accuracy

Study case 2 : third correction : lag-phase action  $C(p) = a \frac{1+Tp}{1+aTp}$ ,  $a > 1$



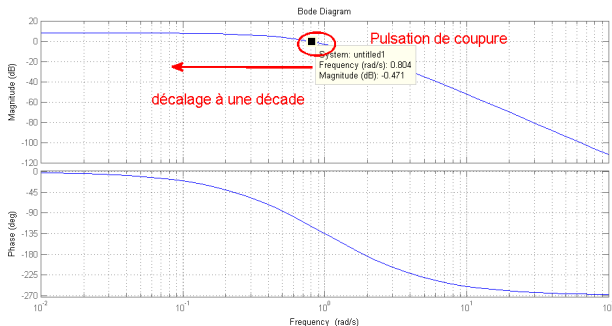
- This is the dual of the lead-phase action
- First a pole, then a zero
- The max of the phase action occurs at  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}T}$



## Part 2 : Accuracy

### Study case 2 : third correction : lag-phase action, tuning

$$L(p) = a \frac{1 + Tp}{1 + aTp} kG(p)$$



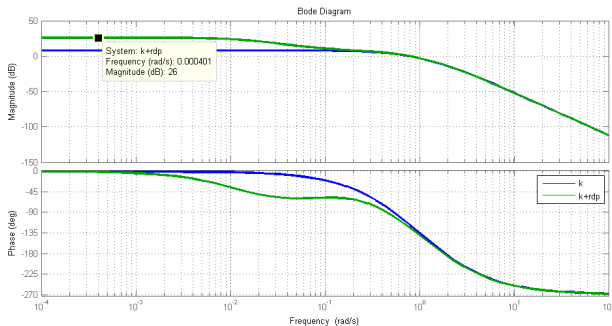
- From the desired steady-state error : the missing gain in BF is calculated
- This gives the  $a$  parameter
- In order not to affect performance : we work roughly at a decade before
- This gives the  $T$  parameter



## Part 2 : Accuracy

### Study case 2 : third correction : lag-phase action, Bode analysis

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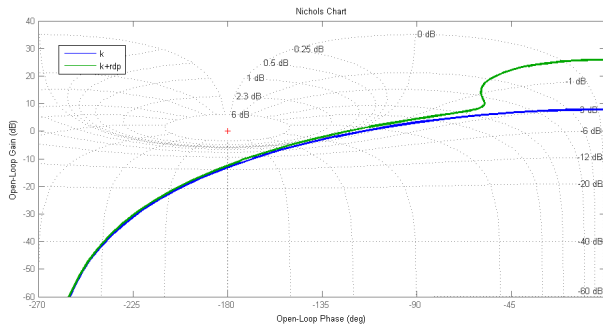
- Ok for the low frequency gain
- Phase modification only on a certain band



## Part 2 : Accuracy

### Study case 2 : third correction : lag-phase action, Nichols analysis

$$L(p) = a \frac{1 + Tp}{1 + aTp} kG(p)$$



- As before, the tuning is not optimal, but nice enough for this study !

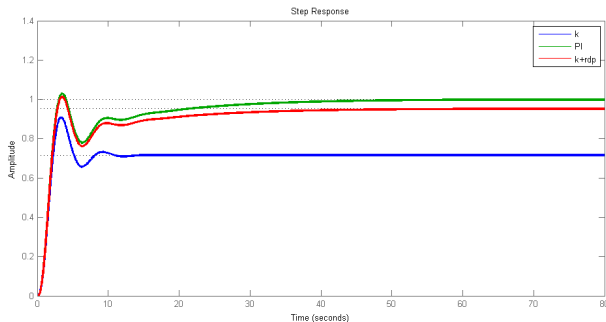




## Part 2 : Accuracy

### Study case 2 : third correction : lag-phase action, closed-loop behavior

$$L(p) = a \frac{1 + Tp}{1 + aTp} kG(p)$$



- The specifications are fulfilled
- We could do better, modifying the high frequencies



## Part 2 : Accuracy

### Conclusions :

- 3 methods, 2 of which are relevant
- Proportional-Integral action
- Lag-phase action

### Expected skills

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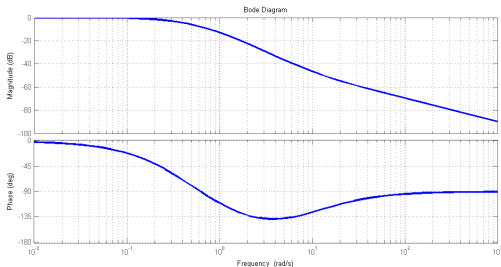
### Expected skills

- Understand the different control actions, their influence and parametrization
  - Performance
  - Accuracy
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- These different control actions can of course be combined.

# Your turn to play

## Just to practice

$$G(p) = \frac{0.1p + 1}{(p + 1)(\frac{p}{3} + 1)}$$



## Specifications

- No overshoot
- No steady-state error for a step reference
- The closed-loop bandwidth has to be approximatively  $5 \text{ rad.s}^{-1}$

