

# Analysis Of Feedback Control Systems

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For a closed-loop system, the transfer function tends to be of the form

$$F(s) = \frac{L(s)}{1 + L(s)}$$

To determine if such a system is stable, it must be known whether the roots of  $1 + L(s)$  are in the left half of the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}^-$  (preferably without direct computation).

For any polynomial  $\pi(s) = s^n + \dots + a_1s + a_0$  for  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\pi(s)$  is **Hurwitz** if all its roots are in  $\mathbb{C}^-$ .

A closed loop system is stable if  $1 + L(s)$  is Hurwitz.

Note that a polynomial  $\pi(s)$  can be factored into

$$\pi(s) = (s - \lambda_1) \cdots (s - \lambda_r)(s - \mu_1)(s - \bar{\mu}_1) \cdots (s - \mu_p)(s - \bar{\mu}_p)$$

where  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$  are real roots and  $\mu_1, \bar{\mu}_1, \dots, \mu_p, \bar{\mu}_p$  are complex conjugate pairs of roots.

If  $\pi(s)$  is Hurwitz,  $\pi(s)$  has strictly positive coefficients.

### 3.1 Routh's Algorithm

The first step is to build the following table:

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c} s^n & 1 & a_{n-2} & a_{n-4} & \cdots \\ s^{n-1} & a_{n-1} & a_{n-3} & a_{n-5} & \cdots \\ s^{n-2} & r_{2,0} & r_{2,1} & r_{2,2} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ s^2 & r_{n-2,0} & r_{n-2,1} & r_{n-2,2} & \cdots \\ s^1 & r_{n-1,0} & r_{n-1,1} & r_{n-1,2} & \cdots \\ s^0 & r_{n,0} & & & \end{array}$$

where each  $r$  is the negative inverse of the value above it, multiplied by the determinant of the  $2 \times 2$  square above it. For examples,

$$r_{2,0} = -\frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a_{n-2} \\ a_{n-1} & a_{n-3} \end{vmatrix}$$

This table stops along each row once 0 is reached. The process is terminated when a 0 is reached in the first column.

The next step is the use the **Routh-Hurwitz Criterion**:

1.  $\pi(s)$  is Hurwitz  $\iff$  all elements in the Routh array (first column of table) have the same sign
2. If the Routh array has no zeros, then
  - (a) the number of sign changes is the number of bad roots (non-negative real parts)
  - (b) no roots exist on the imaginary axis

## 4 Nyquist Criterion

The transfer function  $G(s)$  is a mapping from  $s$  to  $G(s)$ , which is  $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

The **Nyquist contour** goes along the real axis and then in a circular fashion on the positive real side. The **Nyquist plot** is the image of the Nyquist contour through  $L(s)$ , the open loop transfer function of the closed loop system.

If  $L(s)$  has poles with 0 real part, the Nyquist plot goes around them.

The Nyquist plot has symmetry with the real line, that is

$$L(-j\omega) = \overline{L(j\omega)}$$

If  $L(s)$  is strictly proper  $L(j\omega) \rightarrow 0$  as  $|\omega| \rightarrow \infty$ .

Let  $p$  be the number of poles of  $L(s)$  with positive real part. Let  $N$  be the number of loops the Nyquist plot makes around the point  $-1 \in \mathbb{C}$ , with  $> 0$  if counter-clockwise and  $< 0$  if clockwise.  $N$  is undefined if the Nyquist plot goes through -1.

By the **Nyquist Criterion**, the closed loop system is stable if and only if  $N = P$ .

If  $N$  is undefined, the closed loop system may be stable or unstable.

If  $N$  is well defined and  $N \neq P$ , the closed loop system is unstable.

$P - N$  is the number of poles of the closed loop system with positive real part.

$L(s)$  is stable for  $P = 0$ . Further, if:

- $|L(j\omega)| < 1 \forall \omega \implies$  the closed loop system is stable
- $|\angle L(j\omega)| < 180^\circ \forall \omega \implies$  the closed loop system is stable

## 5 Bode Criterion

Let  $L(s)$  be the open loop transfer function of a closed-loop system. Assume  $L(s)$  is stable and the Nyquist plot of  $L(s)$  intersects the negative real axis only once. The distance from -1 to  $L(j\omega\pi)$  gives the gain margin.

On a Bode plot, the **gain margin**  $K_m$  occurs when the phase hits  $-180^\circ$  and is the distance from the frequency axis to  $|L(j\omega\pi)|$ . The gain margin

is positive if  $|L(j\omega_\pi)|_{dB} < 0_{dB}$  (which indicates a stable system) and is otherwise negative. The gain margin represents the maximum multiplicative factor on the gain of  $L(s)$  at  $\omega_\pi$  that the system can tolerate before becoming unstable.

$$K_m = \frac{1}{|L(j\omega_\pi)|}$$

where  $\omega_\pi$  is the frequency such that  $\angle L(j\omega_\pi) = -180^\circ$ .

Let  $L(s)$  be the open loop transfer function of a closed-loop system. Assume  $L(s)$  is stable and the Nyquist plot of  $L(s)$  intersects the unit circle once once from outside to inside. The frequency at which  $|L(j\omega)| = 1$ ,  $|L(j\omega)|_{dB} = 0_{dB}$  is the **crossover frequency**.

The **phase margin**  $\phi_m$  is the distance between  $\angle L(j\omega)$  and  $-180^\circ$ . Specifically, this is the frequency at which the magnitude  $|L(j\omega)|$  goes to 0. The phase margin is positive if  $180^\circ - |\angle L(j\omega_c)| > 0$  and negative otherwise.

The **Bode Criterion** states that if  $L(s)$  has no poles with positive real parts and  $|L(j\omega)|_{dB}$  crosses the  $0_{dB}$  axis only once from above to below, then

$$\mu > 0, \phi_m > 0 \iff F(s) = \frac{L(s)}{1 + L(s)} \text{ stable}$$

The closed loop system  $F(s)$  is stable for  $K_m > 0, \phi_m > 0$ .