

# EEE444 Homework #1

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## PART A

We first deconstruct the plant transfer function as  $P = \frac{N_P}{D_P}$  where:

$$N_P = q_0s + q_1, \quad D_P = r_0s^6 + r_1s^5 + r_2s^4 + r_3s^3 + r_4s^2 + r_5s + r_6$$

The four *Kharitonov polynomials* for  $N_P$  are:

$$N_1 = q_0^-s + q_1^-, \quad N_2 = q_0^+s + q_1^+, \quad N_3 = q_0^+s + q_1^-, \quad N_4 = q_0^-s + q_1^+$$

Similarly, the four *Kharitonov polynomials* for  $D_P$  are:

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= r_0^+s^6 + r_1^-s^5 + r_2^-s^4 + r_3^+s^3 + r_4^+s^2 + r_5^-s + r_6^- \\ D_2 &= r_0^-s^6 + r_1^+s^5 + r_2^+s^4 + r_3^-s^3 + r_4^-s^2 + r_5^+s + r_6^+ \\ D_3 &= r_0^+s^6 + r_1^+s^5 + r_2^-s^4 + r_3^-s^3 + r_4^+s^2 + r_5^+s + r_6^- \\ D_4 &= r_0^-s^6 + r_1^-s^5 + r_2^+s^4 + r_3^+s^3 + r_4^-s^2 + r_5^-s + r_6^+ \end{aligned}$$

We then deconstruct the controller transfer function as  $C = \frac{N_C}{D_C}$  where  $N_C = K - 4s$  and  $D_C = s$ .

Since the controller is of 1<sup>st</sup> order, we can utilize the *16-plant theorem* to write the *16-plant polynomials*  $e_{1-16}$  as:

$$e_i = N_C N_{i_1} + D_C D_{i_2}$$

where  $i_1 \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $i_2 \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

For example, the first polynomial is:

$$\begin{aligned} e_1(s) &= N_C N_1 + D_C D_1 \\ &= (K - 4s)(q_0^-s + q_1^-) + s(r_0^+s^6 + r_1^-s^5 + r_2^-s^4 + r_3^+s^3 + r_4^+s^2 + r_5^-s + r_6^-) \\ &= s^7 + 9s^6 + 50s^5 + 150s^4 + 200s^3 + 116.2s^2 + (0.95K - \delta - 1.4)s + 0.35K \end{aligned}$$

The *16-plant theorem* states that for the system to be *robustly stable* all 16 polynomials should be stable. We can construct the *Routh arrays* for each polynomial to check for stability (all the elements of the first column should be greater than zero). For example, the first *Routh array* is:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 50 & 2 \cdot 10^2 & 0.95K - 1\delta - 1.4 \\ 9 & 1.5 \cdot 10^2 & 1.2 \cdot 10^2 & 0.35K \\ 33 & 1.9 \cdot 10^2 & 0.91K - 1\delta - 1.4 & 0 \\ 1 \cdot 10^2 & -0.25K + 0.27\delta + 1.2 \cdot 10^2 & 0.35K & 0 \\ 0.82K - 0.9\delta + 1.5 \cdot 10^2 & 0.79K - 1\delta - 1.4 & 0 & 0 \\ -79K + 1 \cdot 10^2\delta + \left( -0.25K + 0.27\delta + 1.2 \cdot 10^2 \right) (0.82K - 0.9\delta + 1.5 \cdot 10^2) + 1.4 \cdot 10^2 & 0.35K & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{0.82K - 0.9\delta + 1.5 \cdot 10^2}{0.18K^3 - 0.61K^2\delta + 93K^2 + 0.67K\delta^2 - 2.2 \cdot 10^2K\delta - 6.3 \cdot 10^3K - 0.24\delta^3 + 1.3 \cdot 10^2\delta^2 + 1.8 \cdot 10^4\delta + 2.4 \cdot 10^4} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{0.35K}{0.2K^2 - 0.44K\delta + 1.1 \cdot 10^2K + 0.24\delta^2 - 1.3 \cdot 10^2\delta - 1.7 \cdot 10^4} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

We have to construct all 16 arrays and solve for all the first columns to be greater than zero. I was able to achieve this with the combination of **sympy** and **Mathematica**. However, since we cannot solve the inequalities with both of the two unknowns  $K$  and  $\delta$ , an iterative approach was taken where we find the interval  $K$  should be in for given values of  $\delta$ .

For example, starting with  $\delta = 0$ , I found that  $6.53978 < K < 47.1073$ . However  $\delta = 5$  yielded no possible solutions. After a number of trials, I have reached the maximum value of  $\delta = 3.156$ , where the range is  $30.5957 < K < 30.653$ . So the values  $\delta = 3.156$  and  $K = 30.6$  satisfy the stability conditions.

## PART B

Using **MATLAB**, I can plot the of the feedback system  $G(s)$  using the controller given  $C(s)$  and plant  $P(s)$ , plugging in the value  $\delta_{max} = 3.156$  found in **PART A**.

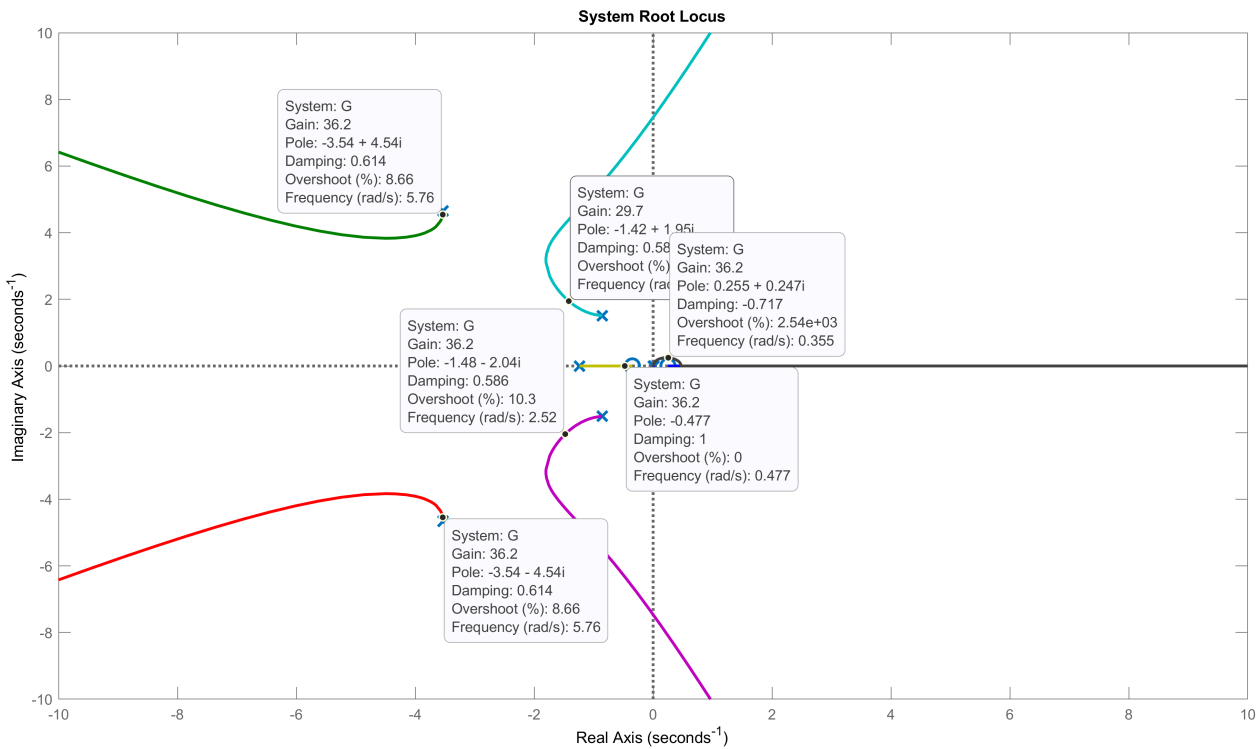


Figure 1: The root locus of the system.

## PART C

Using the values  $\delta = 3.156$  and  $K = 30.6$ , the system transfer function becomes:

$$G(s) = \frac{-4s^2 + 29.2s + 10.71}{s^7 + 10s^6 + 60s^5 + 140s^4 + 200s^3 + 125s^2 - 1.578s}$$

To find the stability margins, I have plotted the Bode diagram for the system using **MATLAB**.

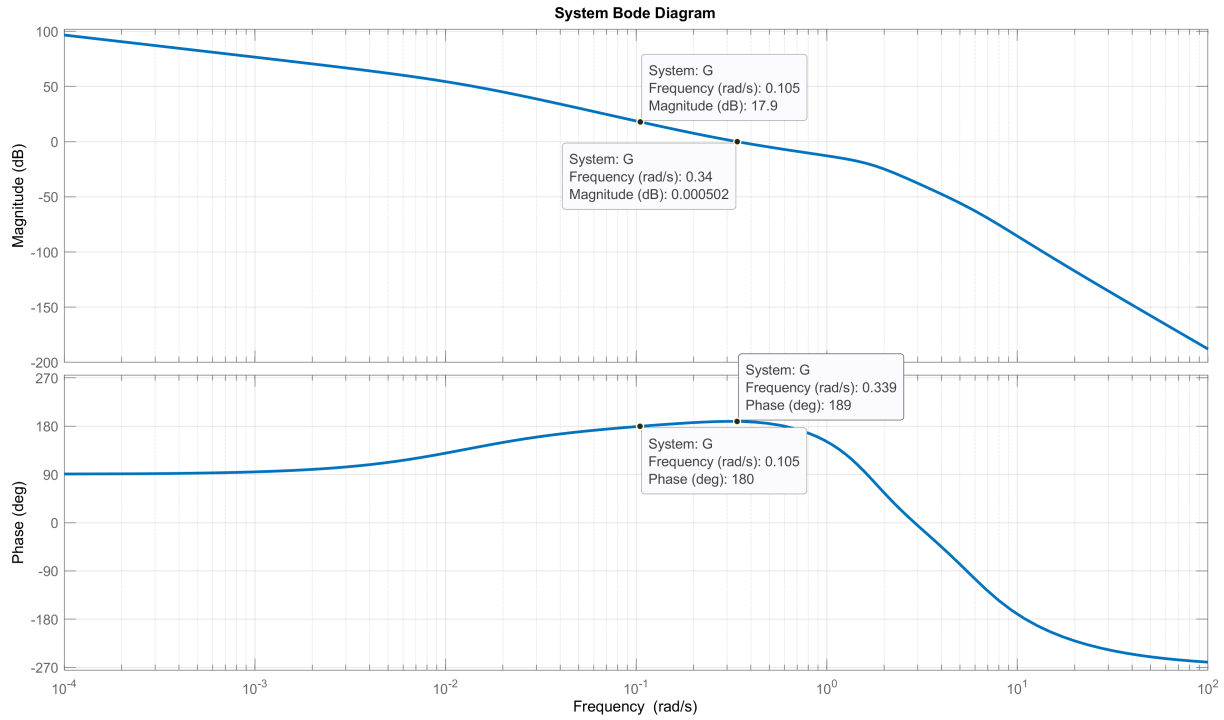


Figure 2: The Bode plot of the system.

The gain margin can be calculated by first finding the frequency  $\omega_g$  where the phase is  $180^\circ$  and finding 0 plus the gain at that frequency. As can be seen in *Figure 2*, this happens at  $\omega_c = 0.105$ , where the gain is  $17.9dB$ : this means the gain margin is  $GM = 17.9dB$ .

For the phase margin, I first find the frequency  $\omega_p$  where the gain is 0 dB, and find the phase at that frequency. *Figure 2* shows that this happens at  $\omega_p = 0.34$ , where the phase is  $-189^\circ$ , meaning the phase margin is  $PM = -189 + 180 = 9^\circ$ .

For the delay margin, I need to find what this phase shift corresponds to in the time domain. It is given by the expression  $\frac{PM}{\omega_p} = \frac{\deg2rad(9)}{0.34} = 0.462s$ .

Given the system transfer function  $G(s)$ , the *sensitivity function* is defined as:

$$S(s) = \frac{1}{1 + G(s)}$$

Using the values  $\delta = 3.156$  and  $K = 30.6$ , this corresponds to:

$$S(s) = \frac{s^7 + 10s^6 + 60s^5 + 140s^4 + 200s^3 + 125s^2 - 1.578s}{s^7 + 10s^6 + 60s^5 + 140s^4 + 200s^3 + 121s^2 + 27.62s + 10.71}$$

Substituting  $s = j\omega$  and plotting the complex magnitude depending on the frequency  $\omega$  using MATLAB produces the following figure:

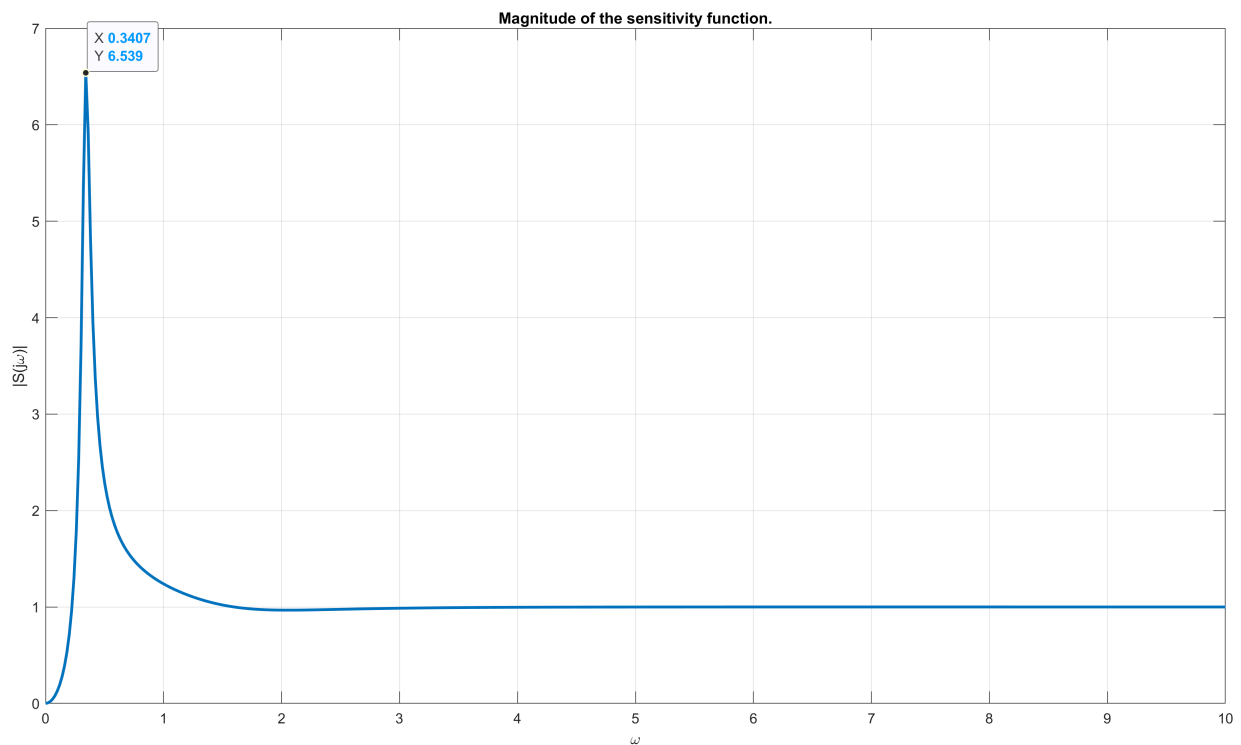


Figure 3: The magnitude of the sensitivity function.

As can be seen, the sensitivity function  $S(s)$  reaches its peak value of 6.539 at  $\omega = 0.3407$ .