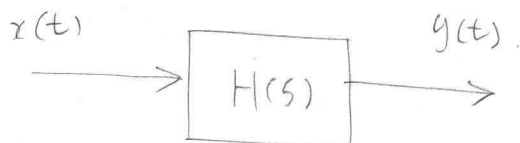


< Stability assessment of feedback systems >

• objective

- Understand the Root Locus & Nyquist test.
- Their relation with the loop transfer function : $L(s)$
- phase margin & Nyquist plot.

• Stability Condition for LTI Systems



- An LTI system with transfer function $H(s)$ is stable if and only if all of the poles of $H(s)$ are in the left-half plane. That is, $\text{Re}\{p_i\} < 0$.

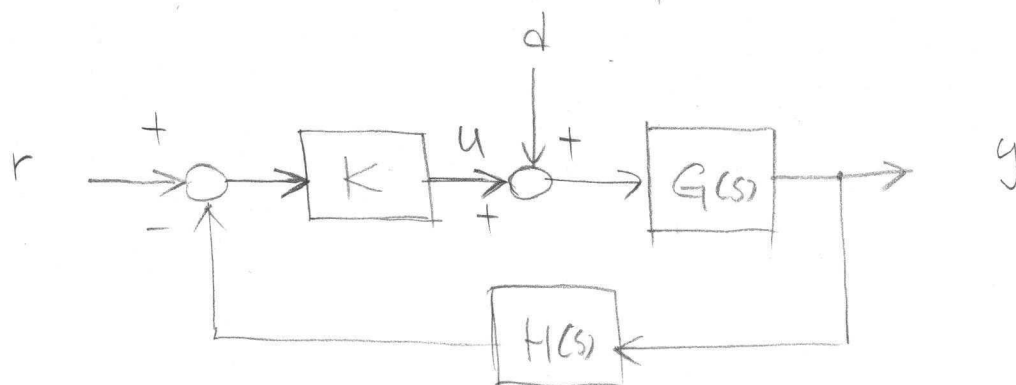
- In other words, no poles in the right-half plane (RHP).

• Stability assessment of feedback systems.

- Directly checking the closed-loop poles is difficult, and it does not provide guidance for controller design.
- There exist methods that use the information about the loop transfer function to assess the closed-loop stability
 - ① Root Locus : shows the RHP ^{CL} pole locations (explicit)
 - ② Nyquist test : tells the number of RHP ^{CL} poles. (implicit)

• Characteristic Equation .

Consider a closed-loop system :



• Closed-loop transfer function "matrix" is

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y \\ U \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{KG}{1+KGH} & \frac{G}{1+KGH} \\ \frac{K}{1+KGH} & \frac{-KGH}{1+KGH} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R \\ D \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{1}{1+KGH}}_{\triangleq S(s)} \begin{bmatrix} KG & G \\ K & -KGH \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R \\ D \end{bmatrix}$$

• The system is stable if $\frac{1}{1+KGH}$ does not have RHP poles.

• This is equivalent to $f(s) \triangleq 1 + KG(s)H(s)$ not having zeros (or "roots") in the RHP.

• $f(s) \triangleq 1 + \underbrace{KG(s)H(s)}_{L(s)}$ "characteristic equation"

$L(s)$: Loop transfer function.

①. No RHP poles for $\frac{1}{f(s)} \iff$ No RHP zeros for $f(s)$.

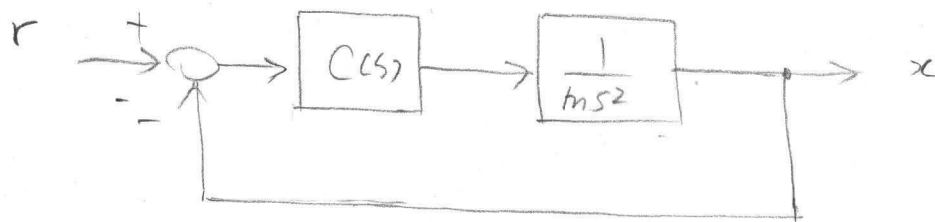
- Root Locus: infers the CL pole locations from $L(s)$.
- Shows how the roots of $f(s)$ move with respect to a parameter.
- For control system, we mostly use " K " as the parameter.

$$f(s) = 1 + \underbrace{K G(s) H(s)}_{L(s)} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad G(s) H(s) = -\frac{1}{K}$$

($\angle G(s) H(s) = 180^\circ$)

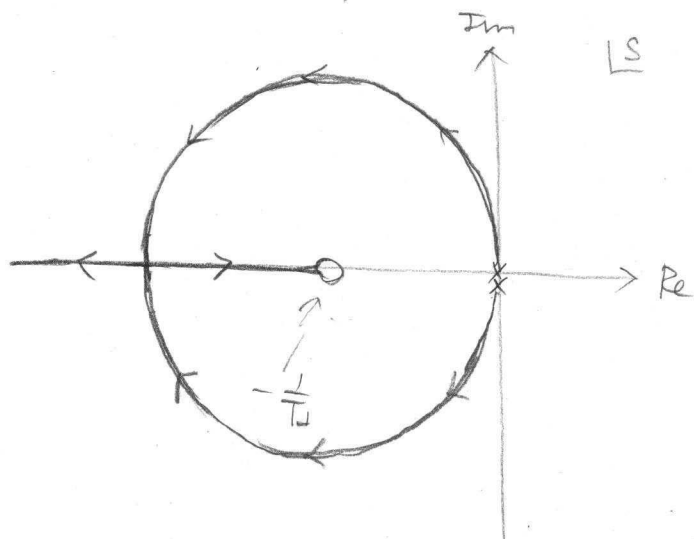
{ When $K \rightarrow \infty$, roots of $f(s) \rightarrow$ zeros of $L(s)$
 When $K \rightarrow 0$, roots of $f(s) \rightarrow$ poles of $L(s)$

ex) Free mass position control

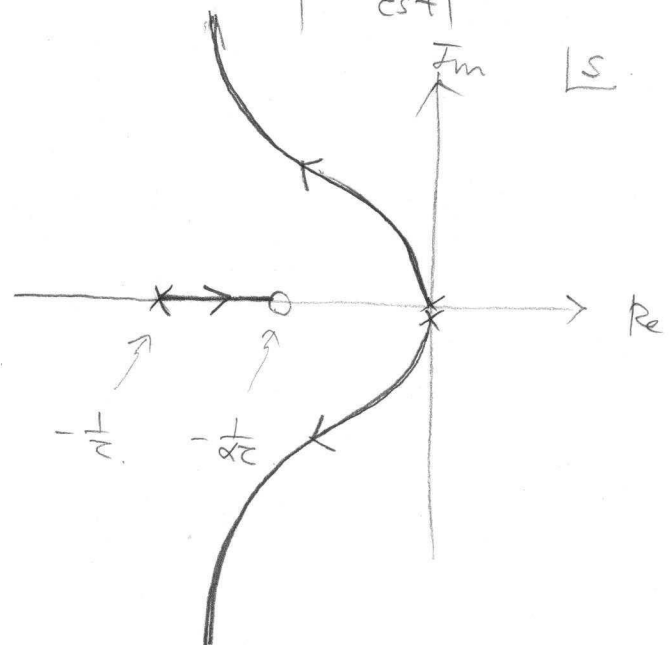


$$L(s) = C(s) \frac{1}{ms^2}$$

① $C(s) = K_p (1 + T_D s)$

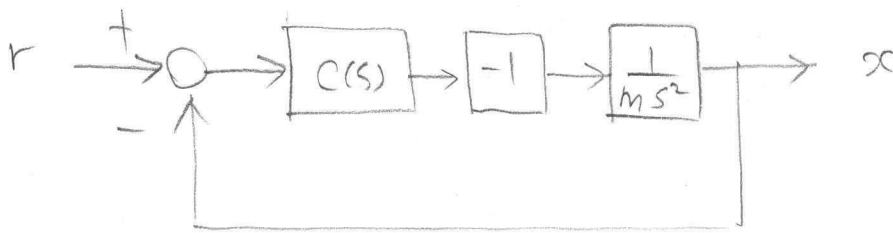


② $C(s) = K_p \frac{\alpha s + 1}{\tau s + 1}$



o: zeros of $L(s)$ \rightarrow : poles of CL
 x: poles of $L(s)$ $K_p > 0$

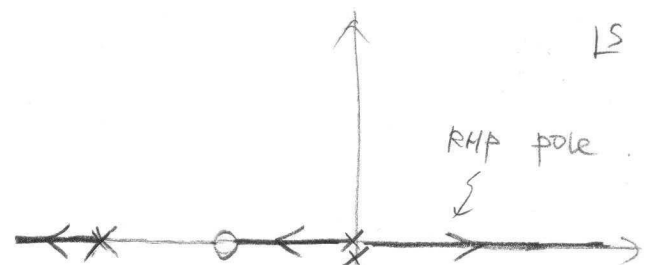
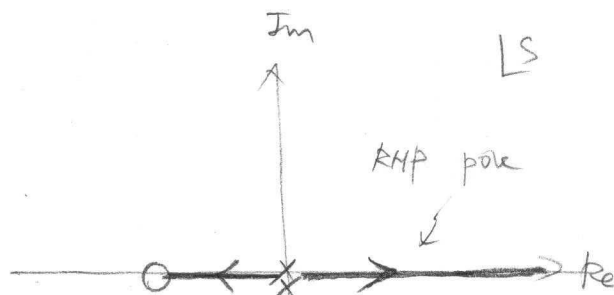
ex). Free mass with a negative sign



$$L(s) = C(s) \frac{-1}{ms^2}$$

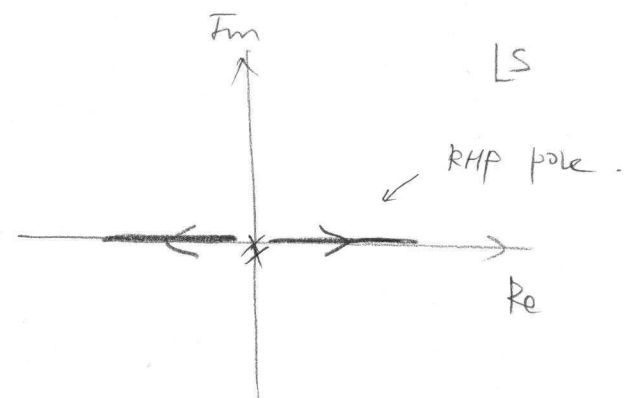
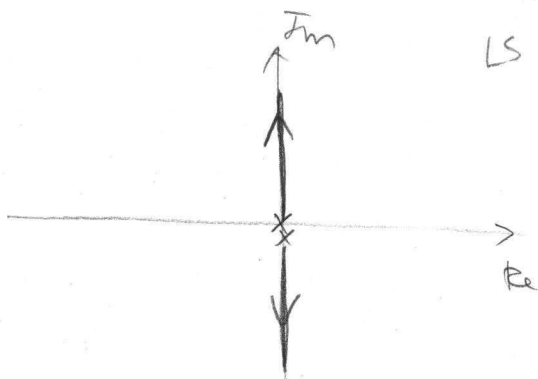
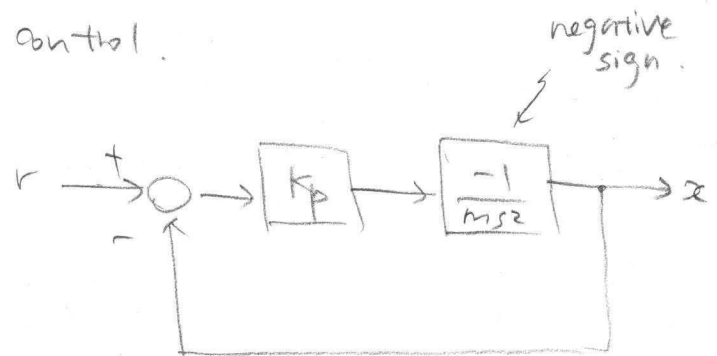
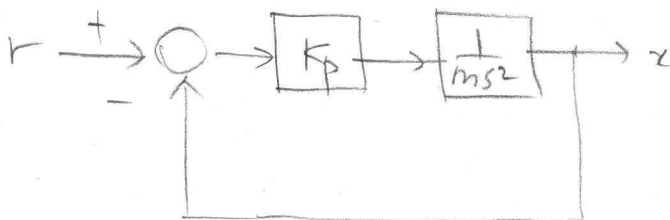
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ex) Free mass with proportional control.

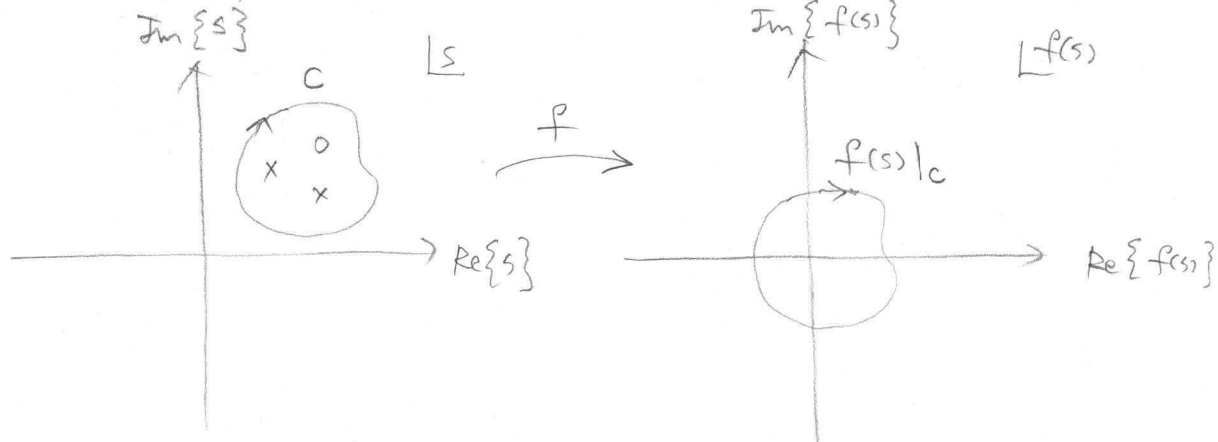


x: poles of $L(s)$ $K_p > 0$
 \rightarrow : poles of CL

- Nyquist test: Infers the number of RHP CL poles from $L(s)$
- Root Locus Limitations:
 - Root Locus method becomes difficult to use in practice if
 - There are too many poles & zeros, or
 - Delay in the loop.
 - We don't necessarily need to keep track of the exact closed-loop pole "locations" to check the stability.
 - We just need to check the existence of CL poles in the RHP.
- Nyquist test tells us the number of closed-loop poles in the RHP. \rightarrow If the number is zero, the CL system is stable.
- It is the mathematical foundation for loop-shaping design.
- The concepts of gain margin & phase margin are derived from the Nyquist plot.
- When we meet challenging control design problem, where the gain margin & phase margin methods fall apart, we need to go back to the Nyquist test. "First principle".
- Nyquist plot consists of the loop bode plot. $L(j\omega)$

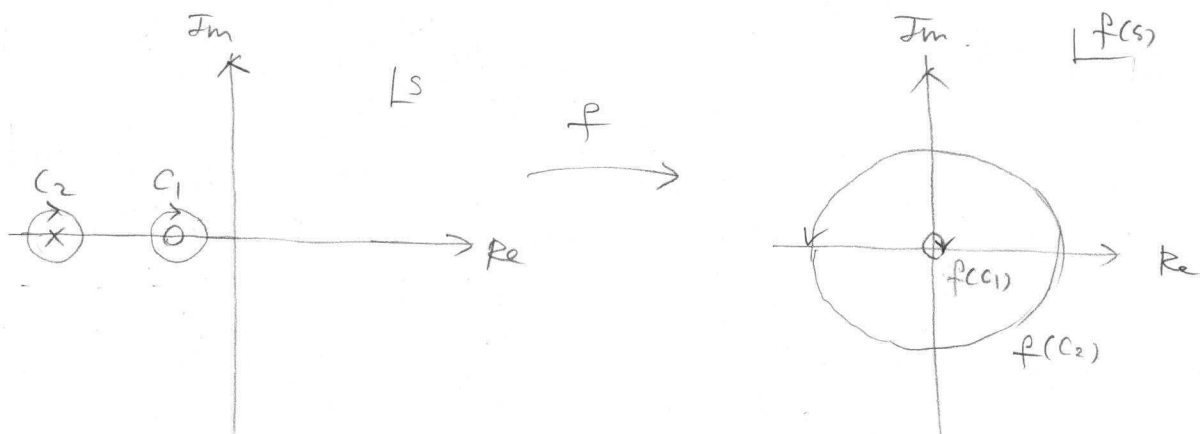
Argument Principle

- Given a complex function $f(s)$ (i.e., $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$)



- A contour C in the s -plane that captures Z number of zeros of $f(s)$ and P number of poles of $f(s)$ maps to an image $f(s)|_C$ that encircles the origin by N times, where $N = Z - P$.

ex): $f(s) = \frac{s+1}{s+10}$



$$C_1: -10 + re^{j\theta}$$

$$C_2: -1 + re^{j\theta}$$

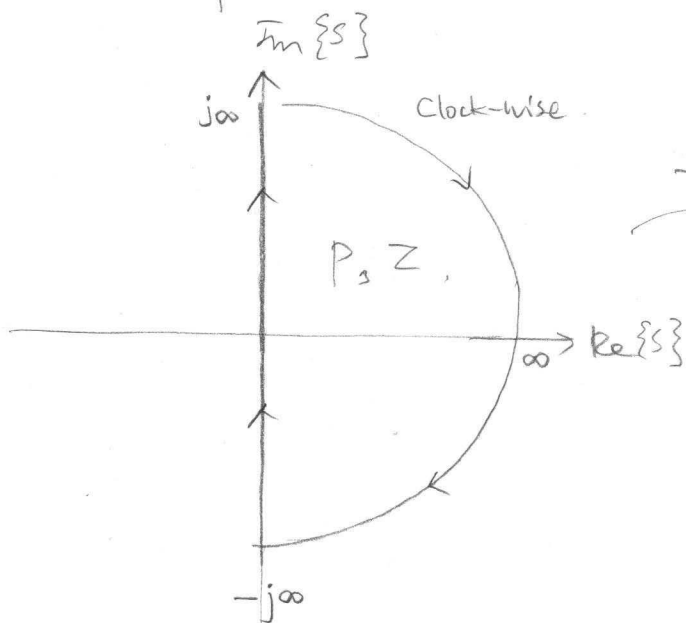
$$f(s)|_{C_1} \doteq \frac{re^{j\theta}}{q} = \frac{1}{q_0} e^{j\theta}$$

$$f(s)|_{C_2} \doteq \frac{-q}{re^{j\theta}} = -q_0 e^{-j\theta} = q_0 e^{j(\pi-\theta)}$$

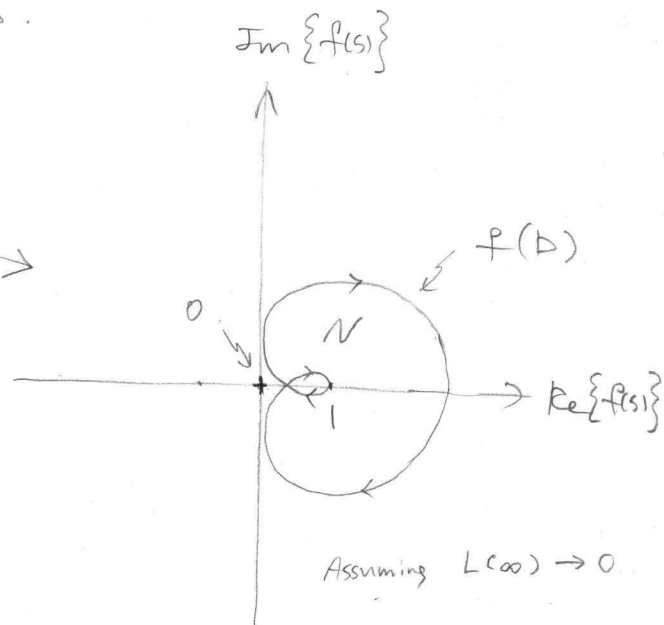
• Application to the char. Eqn.

- Let $f(s) = 1 + L(s)$: "characteristic equation"

- Let the contour in the s-plane be a big "D" that captures the entire RHP.



f



Assuming $L(\infty) \rightarrow 0$

Z : # of zeros of $f(s)$
inside D on the s-plane

p : # of poles of $f(s)$
inside D on the s-plane.

N : # of the encirclement
of the image $f(s)/D$
about the origin of $f(s)$ plane.

- From the argument principle, $N = Z - p \Leftrightarrow \boxed{Z = N + p}$

- Z tells us $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \# \text{ of zeros of } f(s) \\ \# \text{ of poles of } \frac{1}{f(s)} \end{array} \right\}$ in the RHP.

$\Leftrightarrow Z=0$ means
stable!

- N can be obtained by counting the # of encirclement about the origin.

- How about p ? Since $f(s) = 1 + L(s)$,

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{poles of } L(s) = \text{poles of } f(s) \\ L(s_0) \rightarrow \infty \Leftrightarrow 1 + L(s_0) \rightarrow \infty \end{array} \right.$

So, we can count the
RHP poles of $L(s)$ instead.

o. Nyquist Test.

- Slight modification on the previous \rightarrow Nyquist test.

$$Z = N + P$$



P : # of unstable poles of $L(s)$

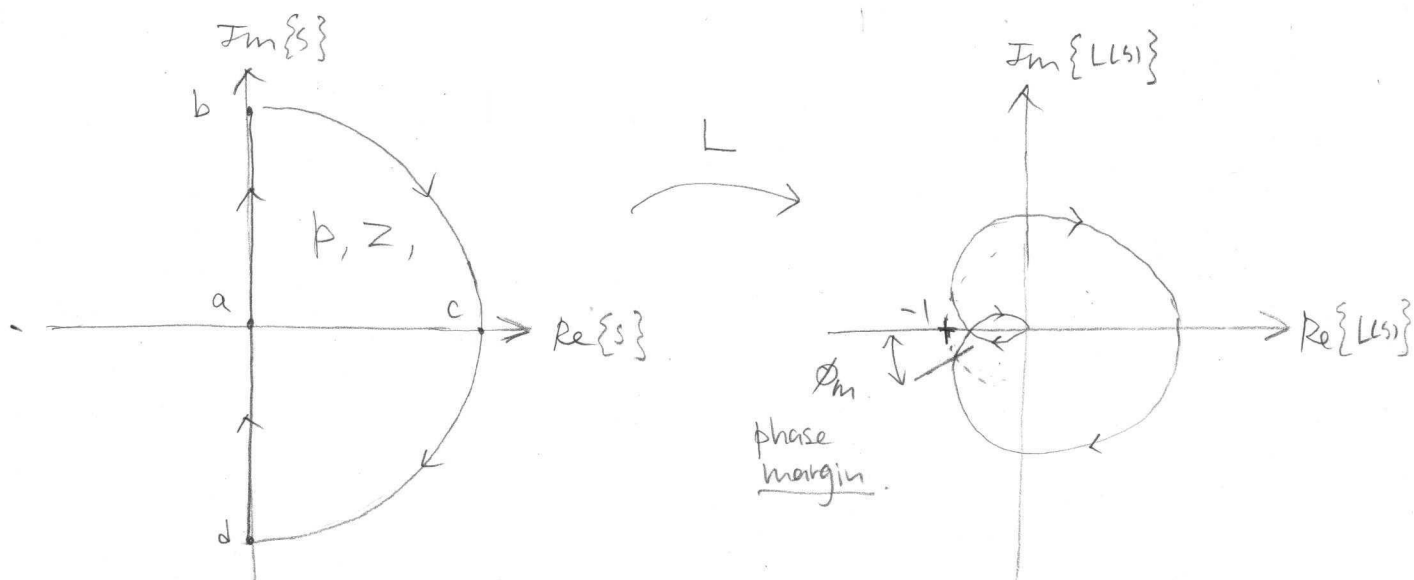
N : can we obtain this number from $L(s)$ as well? Yes

\rightarrow # of ^{clockwise} encirclement of $L(s)/D$ about -1 point.

End result

of unstable CL poles

- Recall that $f(s) = 1 + L(s) \rightarrow L(s) = f(s) - 1$.



• The origin of the $f(s)$ -plane \rightarrow "-1 point" of the $L(s)$ -plane

• The image $L(s)/D$ is the shifted version of $f(s)/D$ by -1 .

• N can be obtained by counting the # of ^{clockwise} encirclement of $L(s)/D$ about "-1 point"

Nyquist plot

Nyquist point

Nyquist plot vs. Loop Bode plot

The contour D consists of three segments

\overline{ab} , \overline{bcd} , \overline{da}

$L(s)$ evaluated over $s \in \overline{ab}$ is the Bode plot.

i.e.) $L(j\omega)$, $\omega > 0$.

$L(s)$ evaluated over $s \in \overline{da}$ is the complex conjugate.

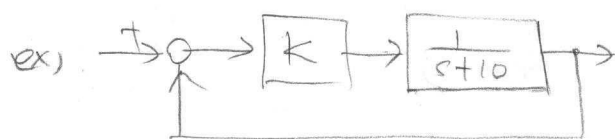
$$\text{i.e.) } L(-j\omega) = L(j\omega)^*$$

$$\operatorname{Re}\{L(-j\omega)\} = \operatorname{Re}\{L(j\omega)\}$$

$$\operatorname{Im}\{L(-j\omega)\} = -\operatorname{Im}\{L(j\omega)\}$$

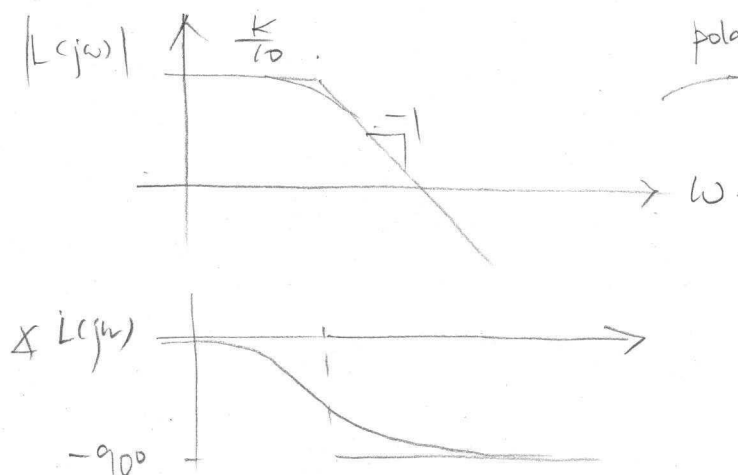
$L(s) \big|_{s \rightarrow \infty} = 0$ for most practical systems.

Thus, drawing the Nyquist plot, is just re-drawing the loop Bode plot in a polar coordinate system.

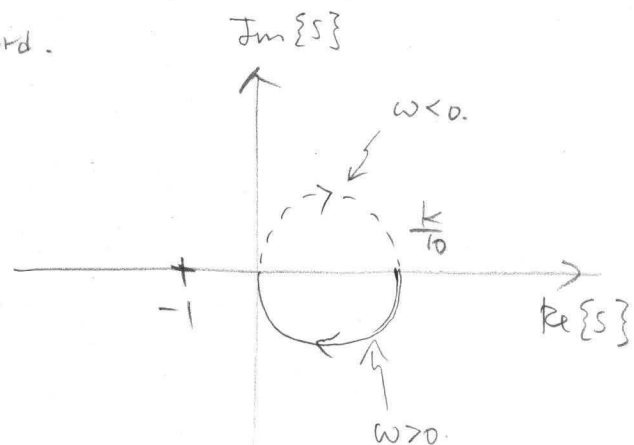


$$L(s) = \frac{k}{s+10}$$

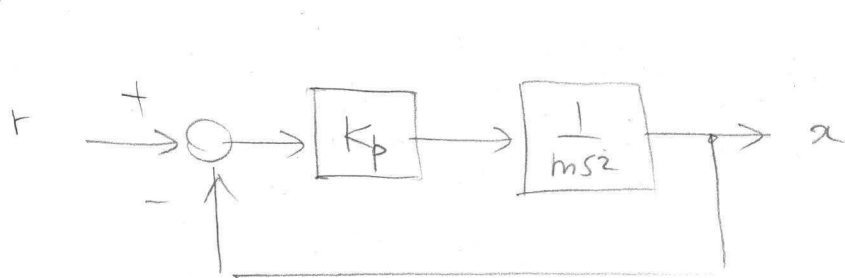
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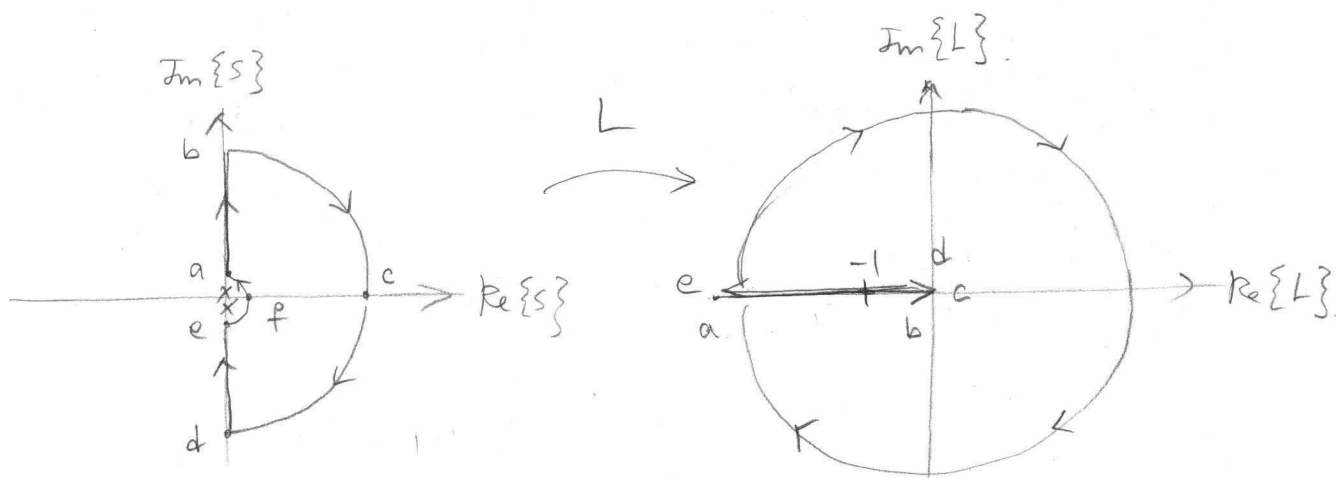
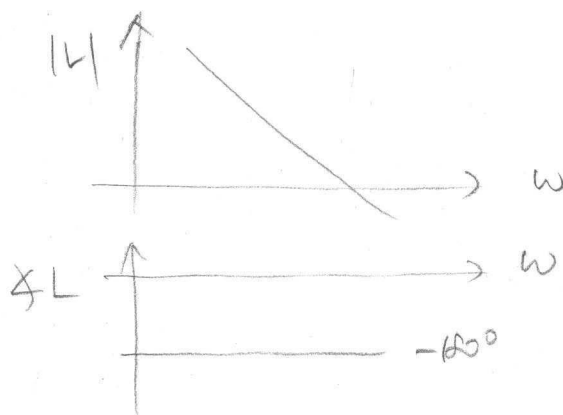
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Example Free mass + proportional control.



$$L(s) = \frac{K_p}{ms^2}$$

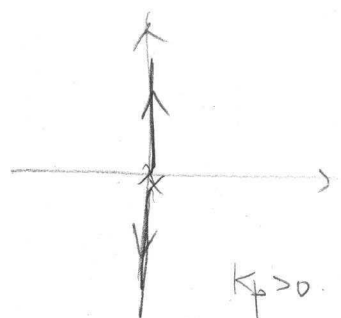


• $e^{j\theta}$: $re^{j\theta}$, $\theta \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$, ccw.

then, $L(s)|_{e^{j\theta}} = \frac{K_p}{mr^2 e^{j2\theta}} = \frac{K_p}{mr^2} e^{j(-2\theta)}$ $\angle L \in (\pi, -\pi)$ CW.

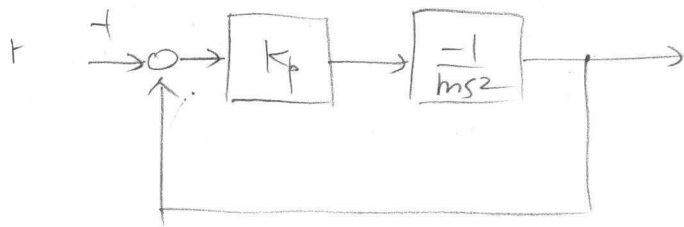
• $N = 0$, $P = 0 \rightarrow \underline{Z = 0}$ No unstable CL poles.

It agrees with the Root Locus picture.

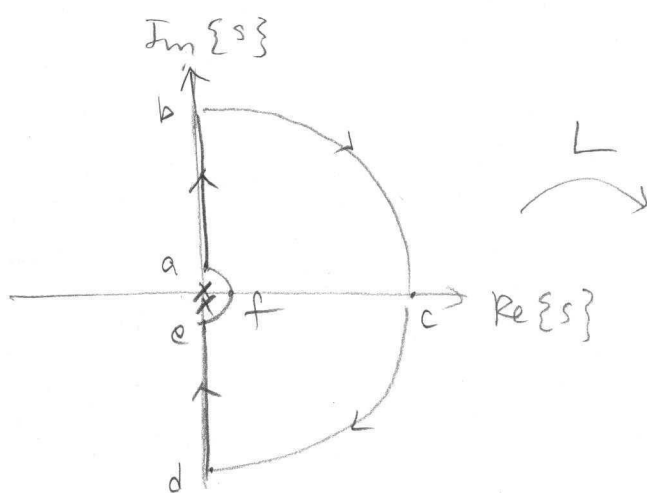
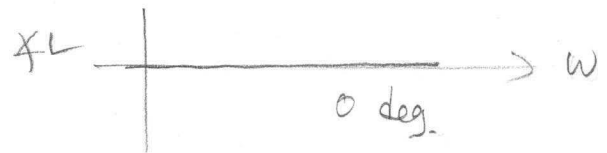
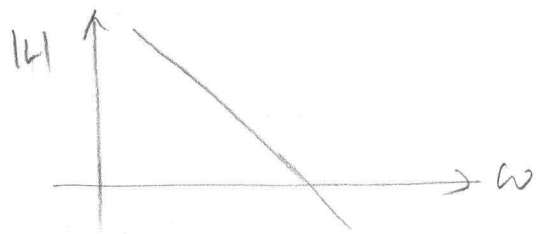


No unstable CL poles
for $K_p > 0$.

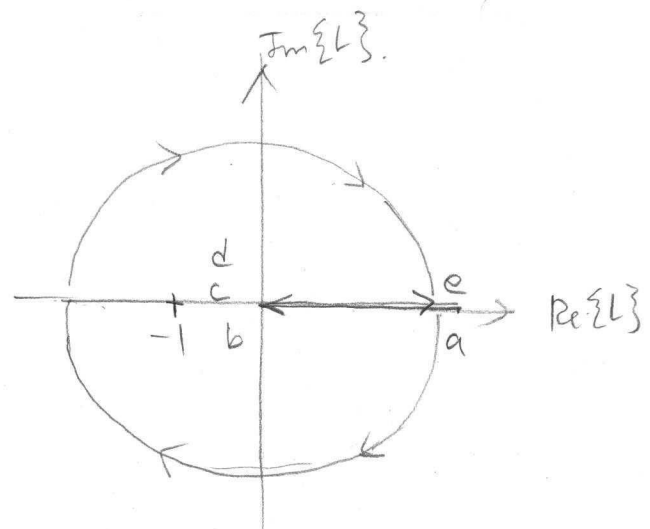
Free mass with a negative sign.



$$L(s) = -\frac{K_p}{ms^2}$$



L



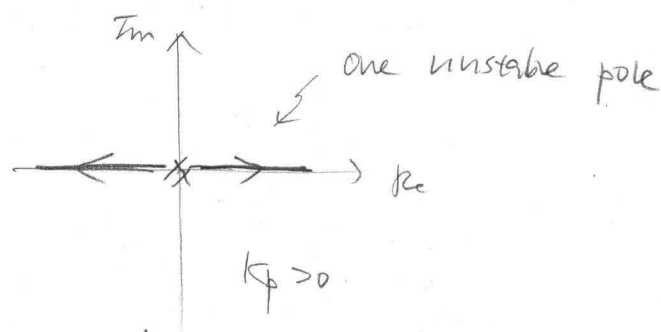
$\widehat{epa} : r \cdot e^{j\theta} \quad \theta \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}), \text{ ccw}$

$$L(s) \big|_{\widehat{epa}} = -\frac{K_p}{mr^2} \cdot e^{j(-2\theta)} = \frac{K_p}{mr^2} e^{j(\pi-2\theta)}$$

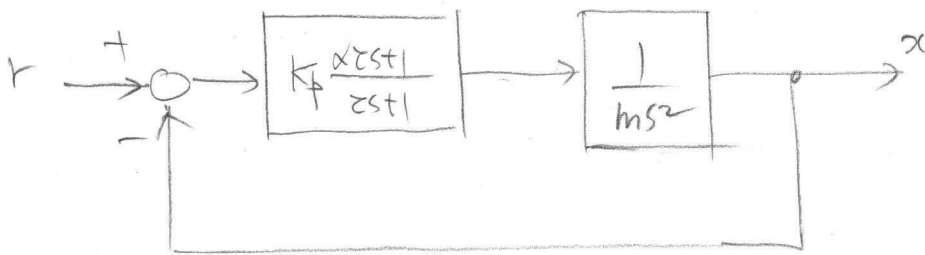
$$\therefore \angle L \in (2\pi, 0), \text{ cw}$$

$N = 1, \quad p = 0 \rightarrow \underline{z = 1}$ one RHP pole

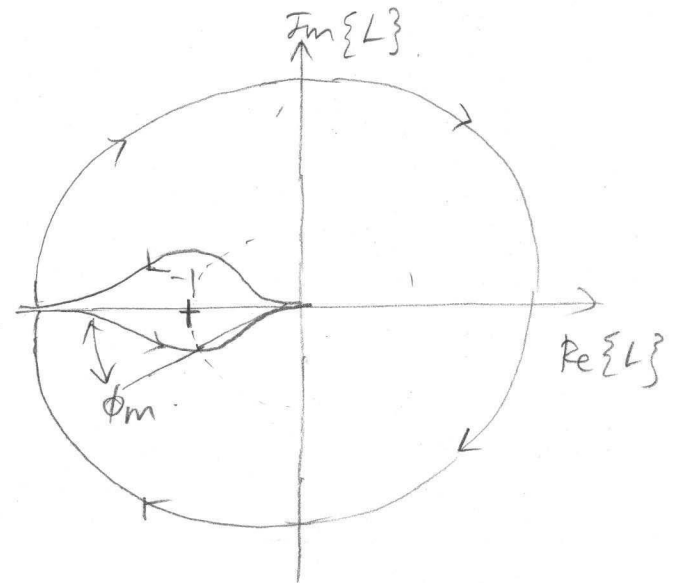
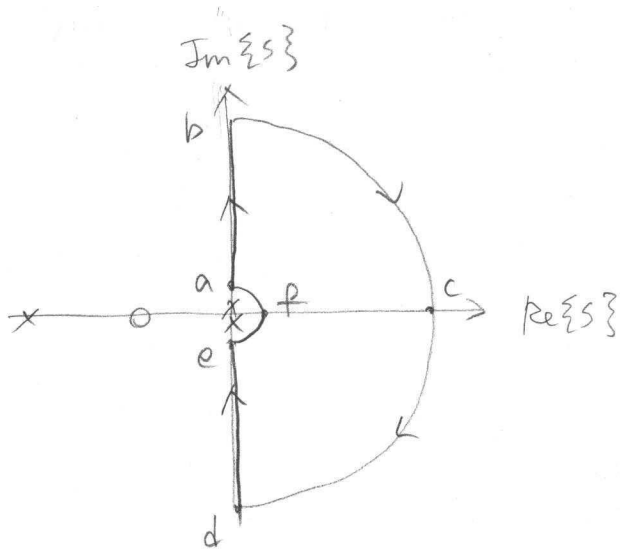
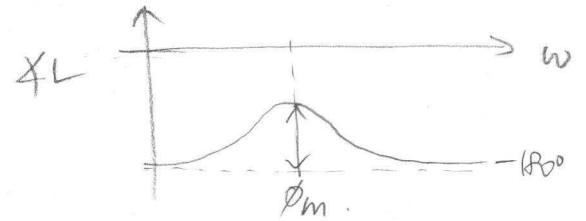
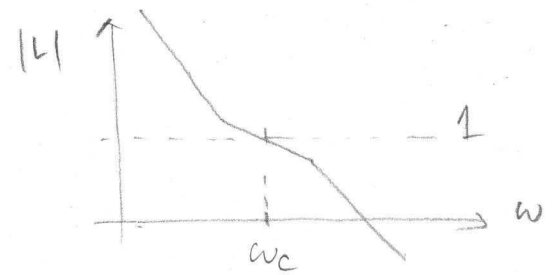
It agrees with the root locus.



Free mass + Lead Compensator.



$$L(s) = K_p \frac{s z + 1}{s + 1} \frac{1}{m s^2}$$



$N=0, \quad p=0 \rightarrow \underline{Z=0}$ No unstable pole.