

goal: frequency-domain analysis of control system performance

(a) transfer matrix  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu \leadsto G_{yu}(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$   
 (i.e. matrix of transfer functions)  $y = Cx + Du$   $u = e^{st} \cdot u_0 \Rightarrow y = e^{st} \cdot G_{yu}(s) \cdot u_0$

(b) Bode plots  $u = e^{st} \cdot u_0 \leadsto y = e^{st} G_{yu}(s) u_0$ ,  $\sin(\omega t) = \text{Im } e^{j\omega t}$   
 so plotting  $\log |G(j\omega)|$ ,  $\angle G(j\omega)$  vs  $\omega$  shows us how system responds

(c) effect of disturbances  $y = \frac{1}{1+PC} w + \frac{P}{1+PC} v + \frac{PC}{1+PC} r$   
 so we can use sensitivity  $S = \frac{1}{1+PC}$  to assess performance

(d) fundamental limits

(a) transfer matrix [AMV2 ch 6.3, 9.2] [NV7 ch 4.11]

$\hookrightarrow$  i.e. a matrix of transfer functions  
 relating a vector of inputs to a vector of outputs

• given LTI system in state-space form,  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $u \in \mathbb{R}^p$   
 $y = Cx + Du$   $y \in \mathbb{R}^o$

know that  $x(t) = e^{At} x(0) + \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} B u(\tau) d\tau$

so  $y(t) = C e^{At} x(0) + C \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} B u(\tau) d\tau + Du(t)$

• let's see what output is produced by  $u(t) = e^{st} \cdot u_0$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $u_0 \in \mathbb{R}^p$

$$y(t) = C e^{At} x(0) + C \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} B [e^{s\tau} \cdot u_0] d\tau + D e^{st} \cdot u_0$$

$$= C \left[ \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} e^{s\tau} d\tau \right] B u_0$$

$$= e^{At} \cdot e^{-A\tau} \cdot e^{sI\tau} \leftarrow e^{s\tau} \cdot I = e^{sI\tau}$$

$$y(t) = C e^{At} x(0) + C e^{At} \left[ \int_0^t e^{(sI-A)\tau} d\tau \right] \cdot B \cdot u_0 + D e^{st} \cdot u_0$$

→ evaluate this integral hint: find expression whose derivative is the integrand  $e^{(sI-A)\tau}$

– recall that  $\frac{d}{d\tau} e^{(sI-A)\tau} = (sI-A) e^{(sI-A)\tau}$

– so  $\frac{d}{d\tau} \left[ \underbrace{(sI-A)^{-1}} e^{(sI-A)\tau} \right] = e^{(sI-A)\tau} \quad \checkmark$

when is this matrix invertible?

$$\Leftrightarrow \det(sI - A) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow s \notin \lambda(A), \text{ i.e. } s \text{ is not an eigenvalue of } A$$

• so  $\int_0^t e^{(sI-A)\tau} d\tau = \left[ (sI-A)^{-1} e^{(sI-A)\tau} \right]_{\tau=0}^{\tau=t}$

$$= (sI-A)^{-1} \left[ \underbrace{e^{(sI-A)t}} - \cancel{e^{sI \cdot I}} \right]$$

$$= e^{-At} \cdot e^{sIt} = e^{-At} \cdot e^{st}$$

hence

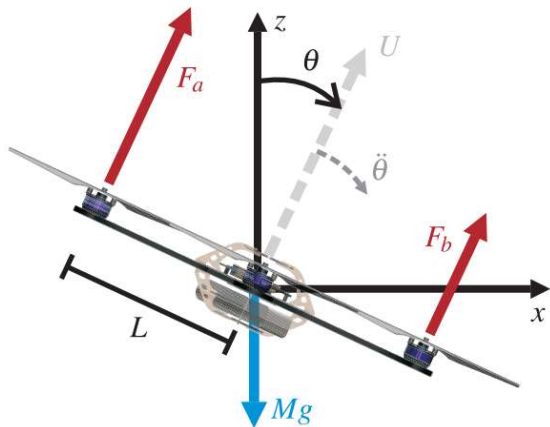
$$= u(t)$$

$$y(t) = \underbrace{C e^{At} (x(0) - (sI - A)^{-1} B u_0)}_{\text{transient response}} + \underbrace{[C(sI - A)^{-1} B + D] e^{st} u_0}_{\text{steady-state response}}$$

\* assuming  $A$  stable:  $\Rightarrow e^{At} \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$   $\rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$   $G_{yu}(s) \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$

takeaway: given  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$   $y = Cx + Du$  get  $G_{yu}(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1} B + D$   
transfer matrix  
(ie matrix of transfer functions)

ex: quadrotor



inputs  $u = \begin{bmatrix} F_a \\ F_b \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  outputs:  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ z \\ \theta \end{bmatrix} = y \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$G_{yu} = \begin{bmatrix} G_{x F_a} & G_{x F_b} \\ G_{z F_a} & G_{z F_b} \\ G_{\theta F_a} & G_{\theta F_b} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$$

so if  $u(t) = e^{st} \cdot u_0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$  then  $y(t) = e^{st} \cdot G_{yu}(s) \cdot u_0 \in \mathbb{R}^3$

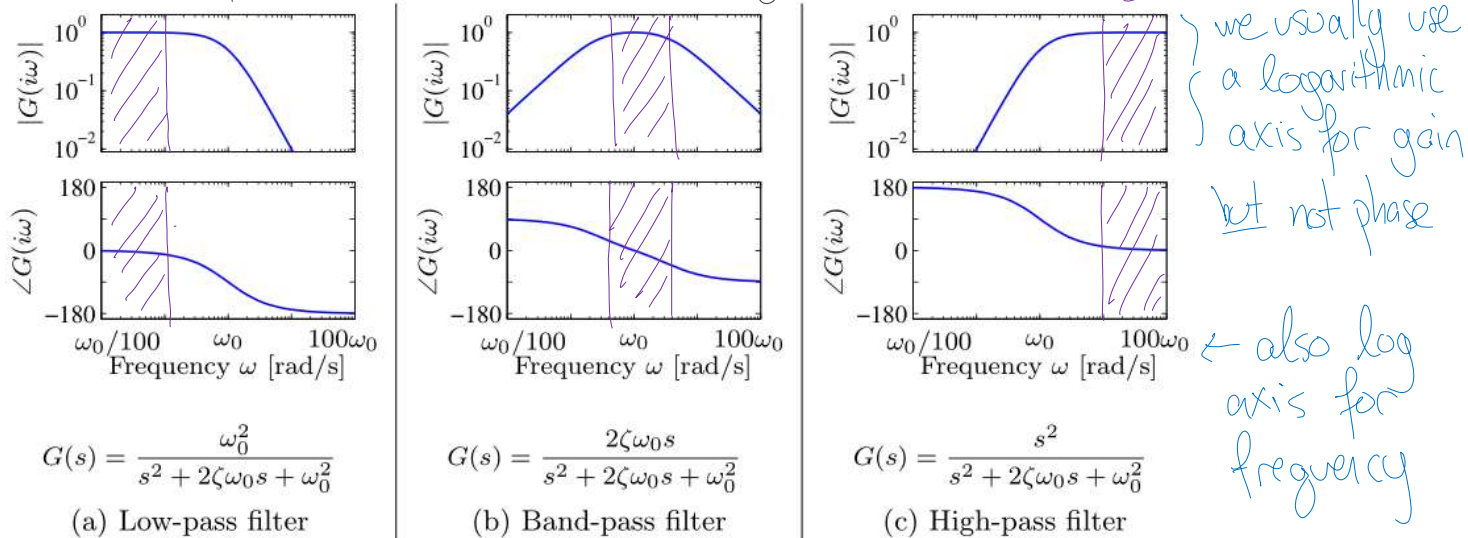
(b) Bode plots [AMv2 ch 9.6] [Nv7 ch 10.1]

- since a complex exponential input  $e^{st} \cdot u_0$  yields complex exponential output  $e^{st} \cdot G_{yu}(s) \cdot u_0$   
and  $\sin(\omega t) = \text{Im } e^{j\omega t}$ ,  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$

then evaluating/visualizing  $G_{yu}(j\omega)$  tells us how system responds to any input  $\in \mathbb{C}$

• a Bode plot is a visualization of  $|G_{yu}(j\omega)|$ ,  $\angle G_{yu}(j\omega)$  vs  $\omega$

ex: Bode plots for second-order systems // "pass" band



**Figure 9.17:** Bode plots for low-pass, band-pass, and high-pass filters. The upper plots are the gain curves and the lower plots are the phase curves. Each system passes frequencies in a different range and attenuates frequencies outside of that range.

\* note:  $G(s) = \frac{b_1(s) b_2(s)}{a_1(s) a_2(s)}$

$$\Rightarrow \log |G| = \log |b_1| + \log |b_2| - \log |a_1| - \log |a_2|$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle G = \angle b_1 + \angle b_2 - \angle a_1 - \angle a_2$$

ex: (spring-mass-damper / RLC circuit)

$$m\ddot{g} + c\dot{g} + kg = u \text{ or } L\ddot{g} + R\dot{g} + \frac{1}{C}g = v$$

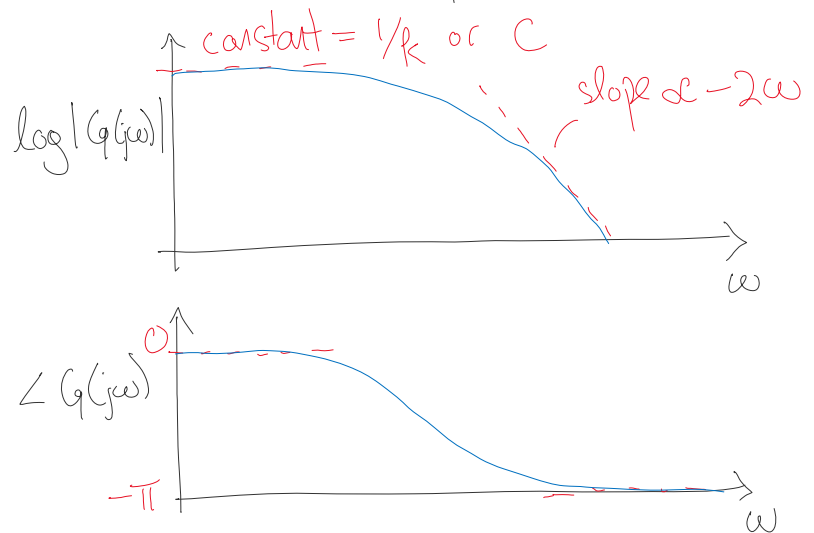
$$\leadsto G(s) = \frac{1}{m s^2 + c s + k} \text{ or } = \frac{1}{L s^2 + R s + 1/C}$$

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note: as  $s \rightarrow 0$ ,  $G(s) \rightarrow 1/k$  or  $C$ , i.e.  $|G(s)| \rightarrow \text{constant}$   
 $\angle G(s) \rightarrow 0$

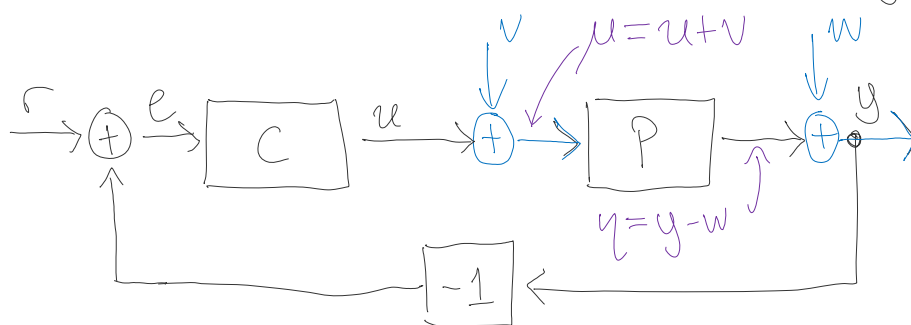
as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $G(s) \rightarrow 1/ms^2$  or  $1/Ls^2$ , i.e.  $\log |G(j\omega)| \propto -2\omega$   
 $\angle G(s) \rightarrow \pm \pi$

so we can sketch Bode plot:



(c) effect of disturbances [AMv 2 ch 12.1] [Nv 7 ch 7.5]

• consider negative feedback block diagram with **disturbances**:



$r$  - reference; ideally  $r \rightarrow y$   
 $v$  - input disturbance, eg actuator noise  
 $w$  - output disturbance, eg sensor noise

\* assuming input disturbance  $v$  and output disturbance  $w$

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→ derive transfer functions  $G_{yr}$ ,  $G_{yv}$ ,  $G_{yw}$   
so that  $y = G_{yr} \cdot r + G_{yv} \cdot v + G_{yw} \cdot w$

$$\begin{aligned} - y &= w + \eta = w + P\mu = w + P(v + u) = w + Pv + PCe \\ &= w + Pv + PC(r - y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (I + PC)y = w + Pv + PCr$$

\* assuming invertible

$$\Leftrightarrow y = (I + PC)^{-1}w + (I + PC)^{-1}Pv + (I + PC)^{-1}PCr$$

in single-input/  
single-output case:

$$= \underbrace{\frac{G_{yw}}{1+PC}}_1 w + \underbrace{\frac{G_{yv}}{1+PC}}_P v + \underbrace{\frac{G_{yr}}{1+PC}}_{PC} r$$

\* the "ideal" transformations are different for each transformation:

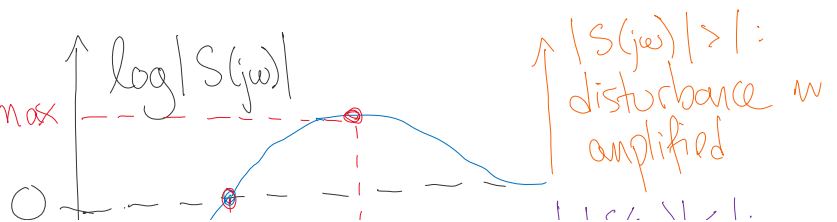
- ideally  $G_{yr} \simeq I$  so that  $y = G_{yr} \cdot r \simeq r$

- ideally  $G_{yv}, G_{yw} \simeq 0$  so that  $v$  &  $w$  don't affect  $y$

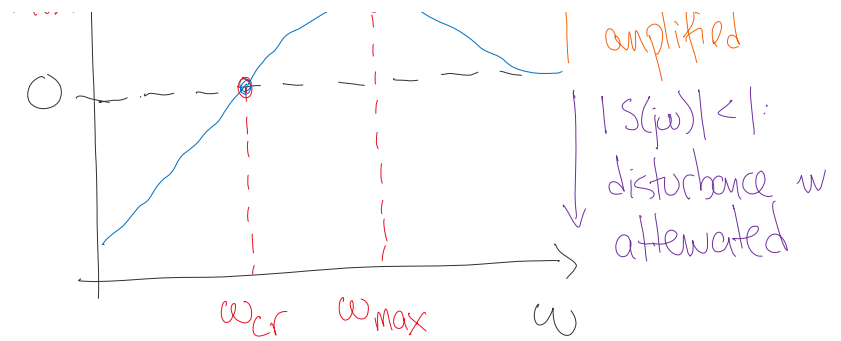
(we'll see that we can't achieve all "ideals" at the same time)

in terms of Bode plot:

let  $S = G_{rr}$  be.



let  $S = G_{yw}$  be  
sensitivity of closed-loop  
 system



- performance of closed-loop system can be assessed using  
peak sensitivity  $|S|_{\max}$  or crossover frequency  $w_{cr}$

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(d) fundamental limits [AMv 2 Ch 12.1, 14.2]