

Transfer Functions and Bode Plots in the Laplace Domain

Assignment 0

1) Part A: Transfer Functions and Bode Plots

1.1 Problem A.1: $G_1(s) = 10/(s + 10)$

Q) Find the pole and DC gain:

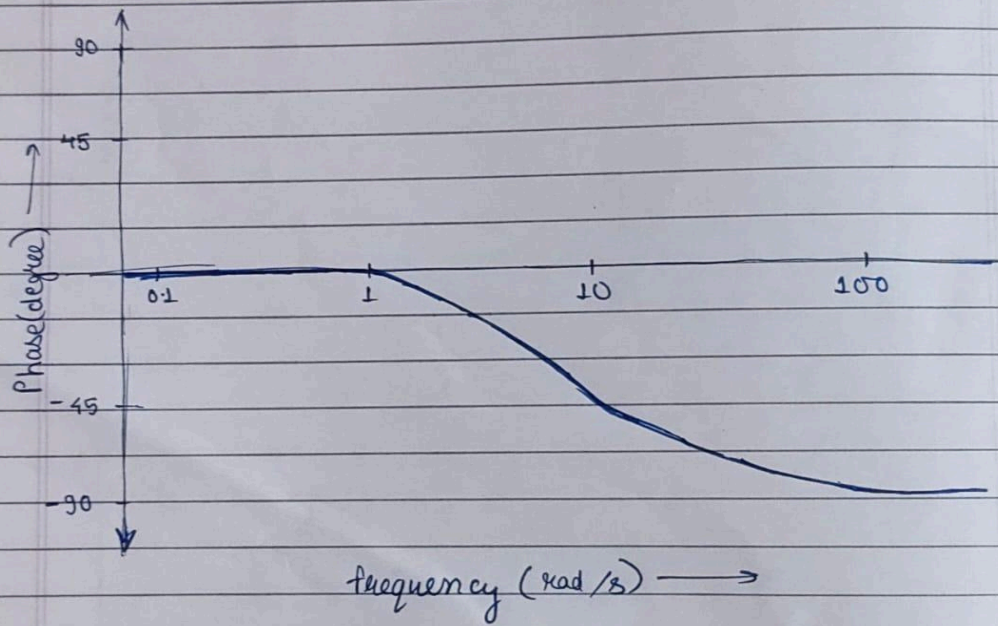
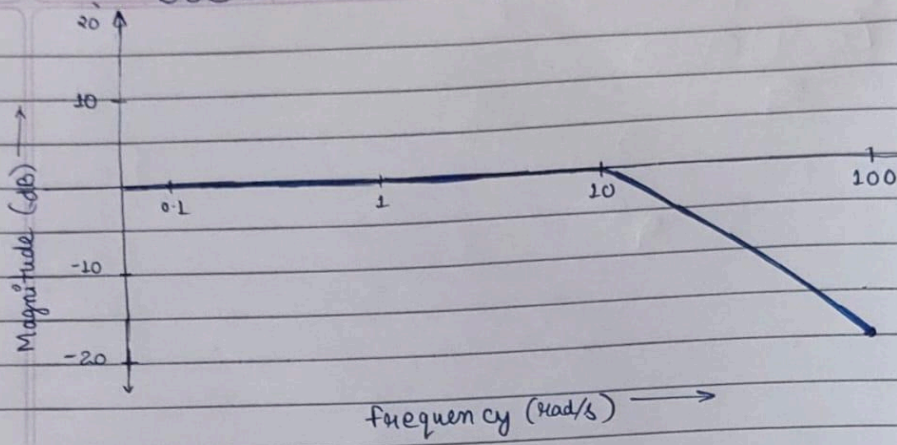
Answer: Pole: $s = -10$

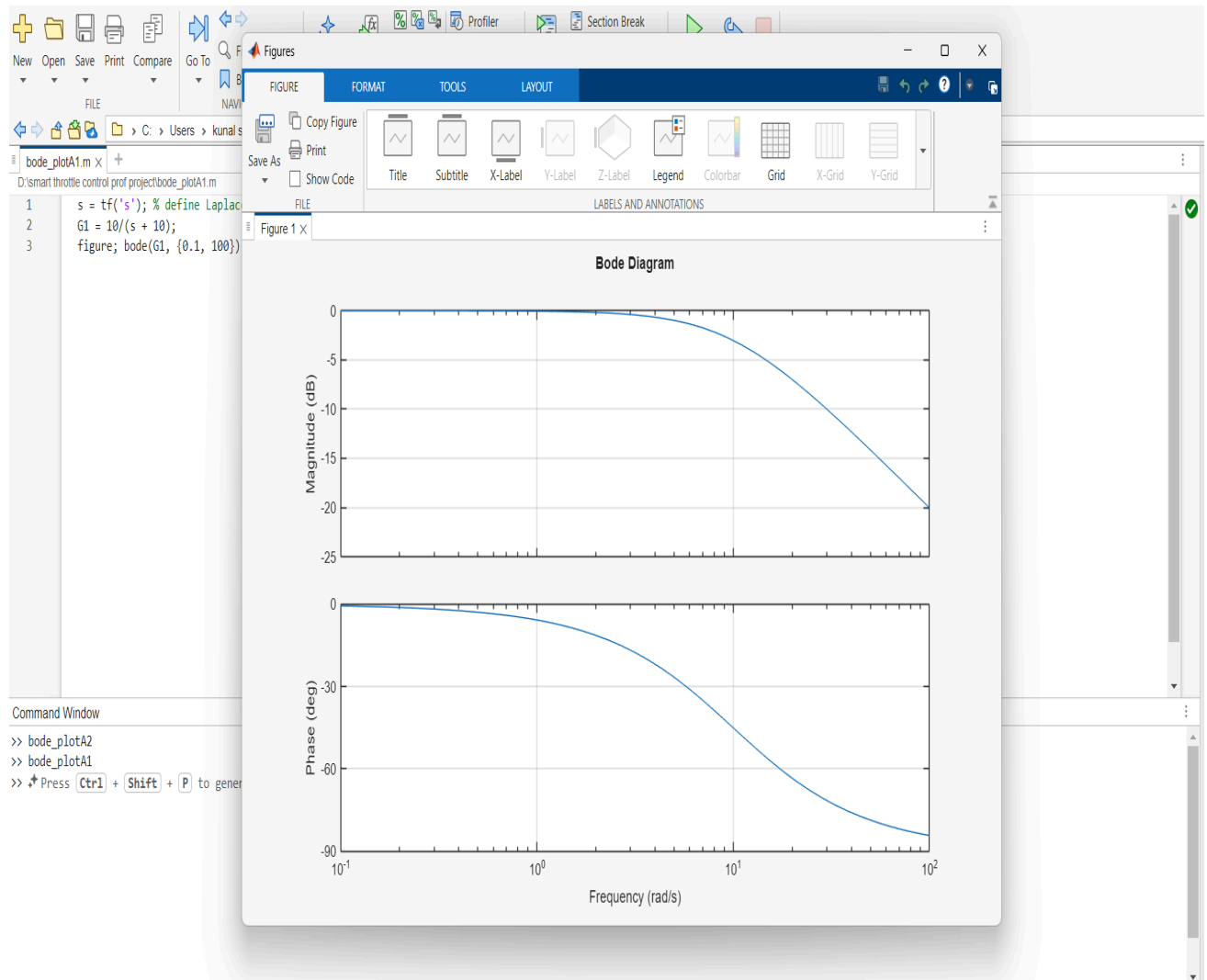
DC gain: $G_1(0) = 1$

2. Sketch the asymptotic Bode magnitude and phase plots for $\omega \in [0.1, 100]$ rad/s.

3. Attach: (a) Hand-sketched asymptotic Bode plots (magnitude and phase).
(b) Screenshot of MATLAB/Octave/Python Bode plots for $G_1(s)$

BODE PLOT $\Phi \cdot A1$





1.2 Problem A.2 : $G_2(s) = (s-2)/(s+10)$

1. Find the zero, pole, and DC gain:

Answer : zero at $s = -2$ rad/s.

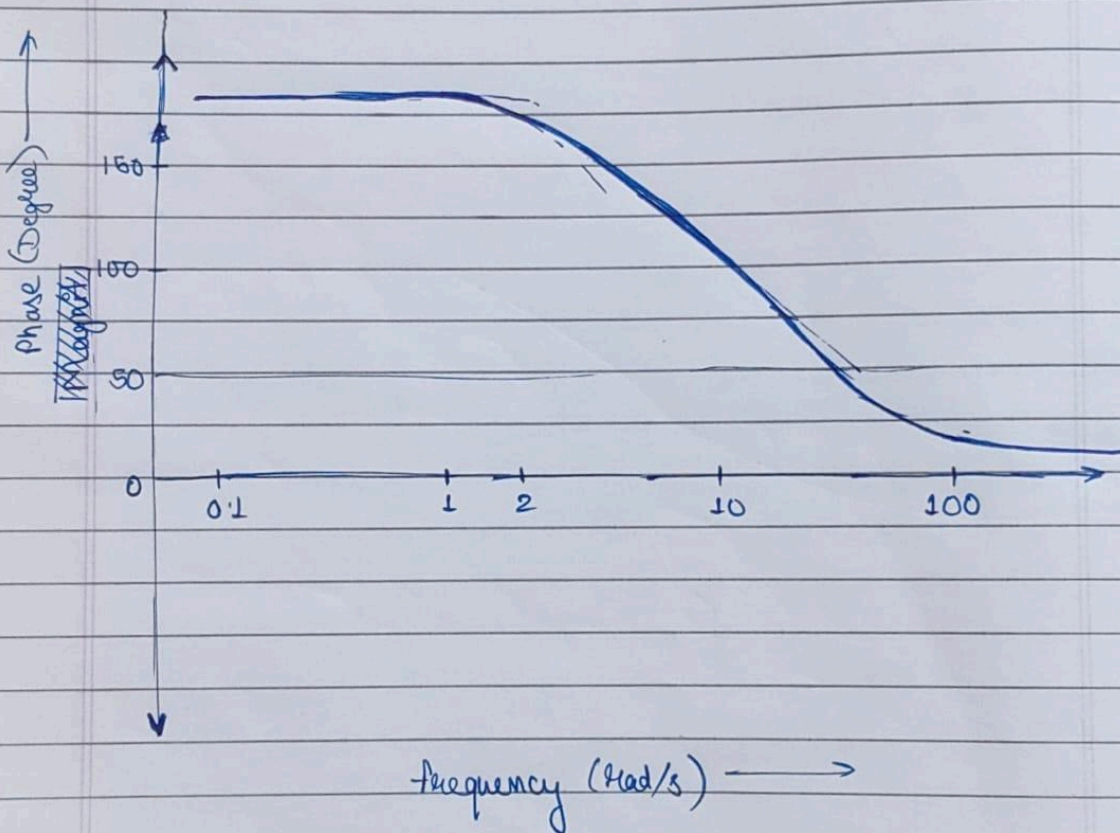
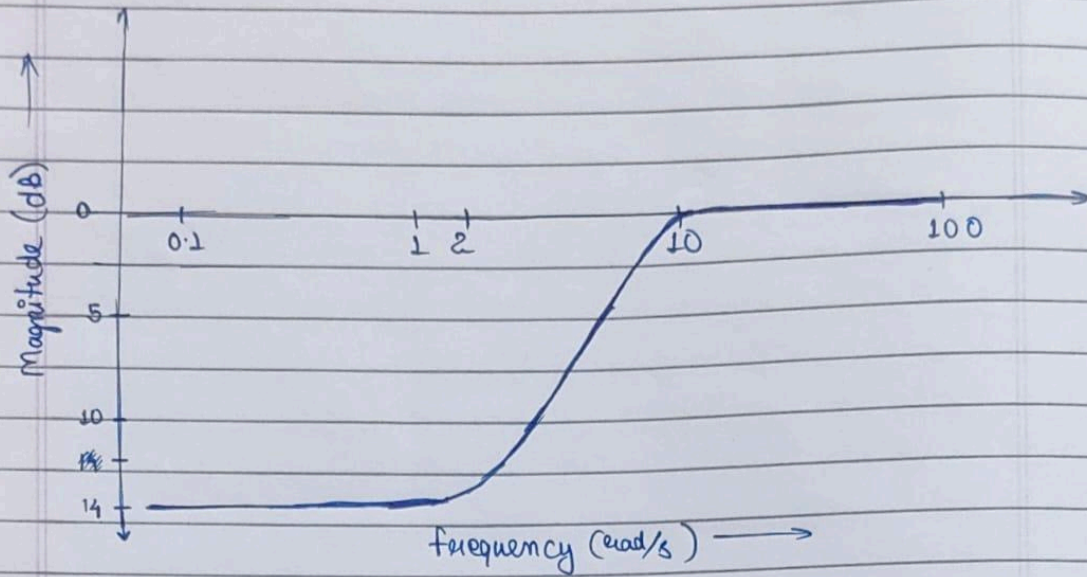
pole at $s = -10$ rad/s.

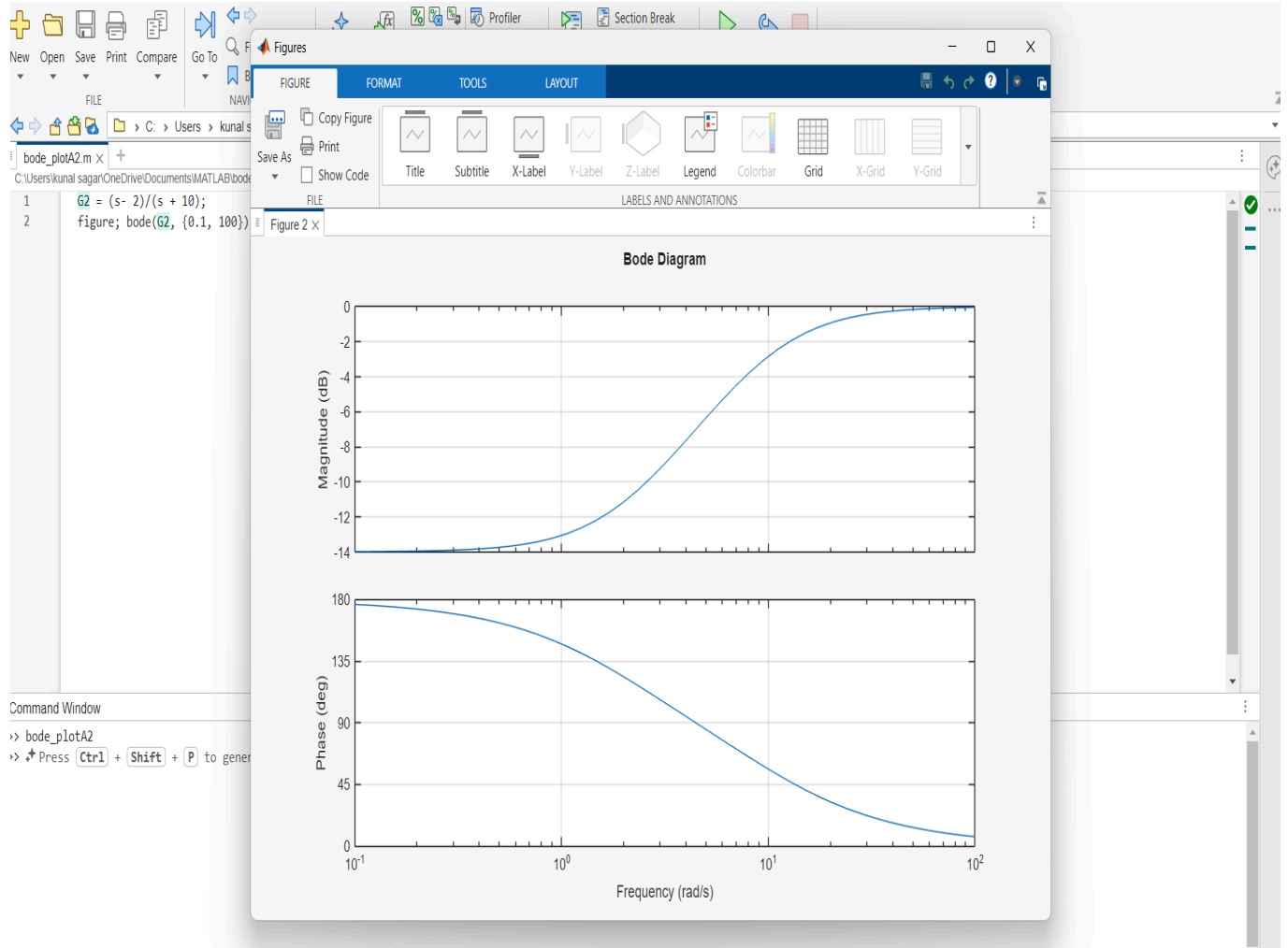
DC gain $G_2(0) = 2/10 = 0.2$

2. Sketch the asymptotic Bode magnitude and phase plots for $\omega \in [0.1, 100]$ rad/s.

3. Attach: (a) Hand-sketched asymptotic Bode plots (magnitude and phase).
(b) Screenshot of MATLAB/Octave/Python Bode plots for $G_2(s)$.

BODE PLOT Q-A-2





1.3 Problem A.3: $G(s) = 100/(s^2 + 10s + 100)$

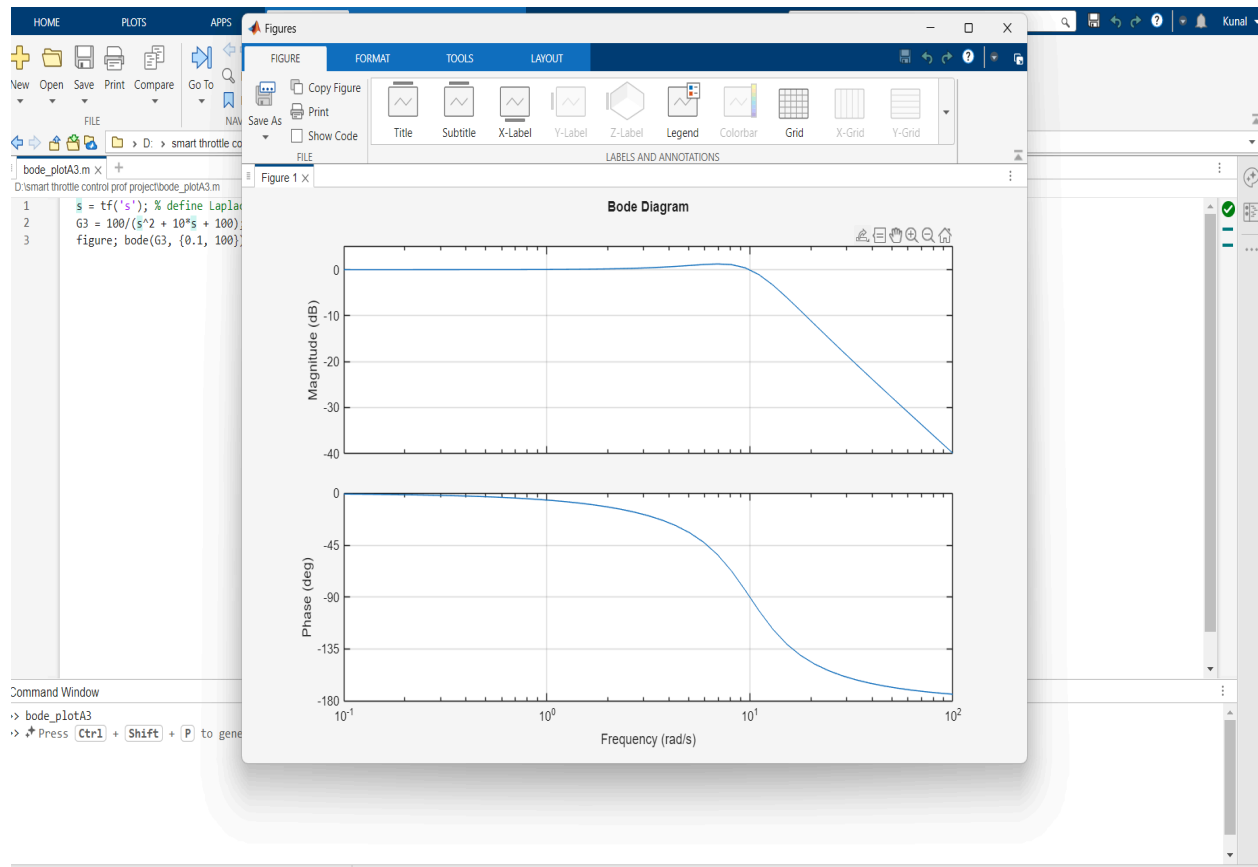
1. Find the poles

Answer : we get poles when we put $s^2 + 10s + 100 = 0$

$$s_{1,2} = -5 \pm 5j\sqrt{3}$$

2. Sketch the asymptotic Bode magnitude and phase plots for $\omega \in [0.1, 100]$ rad/s.

3. Attach: (a) Hand-sketches asymptotic Bode plots (magnitude and phase).
(b) Screenshot of MATLAB/Octave/Python Bode plots for $G(s)$.



1.4 Problem A.4 : $G_4(s) = (0.1s+1)/(0.01s+1)$

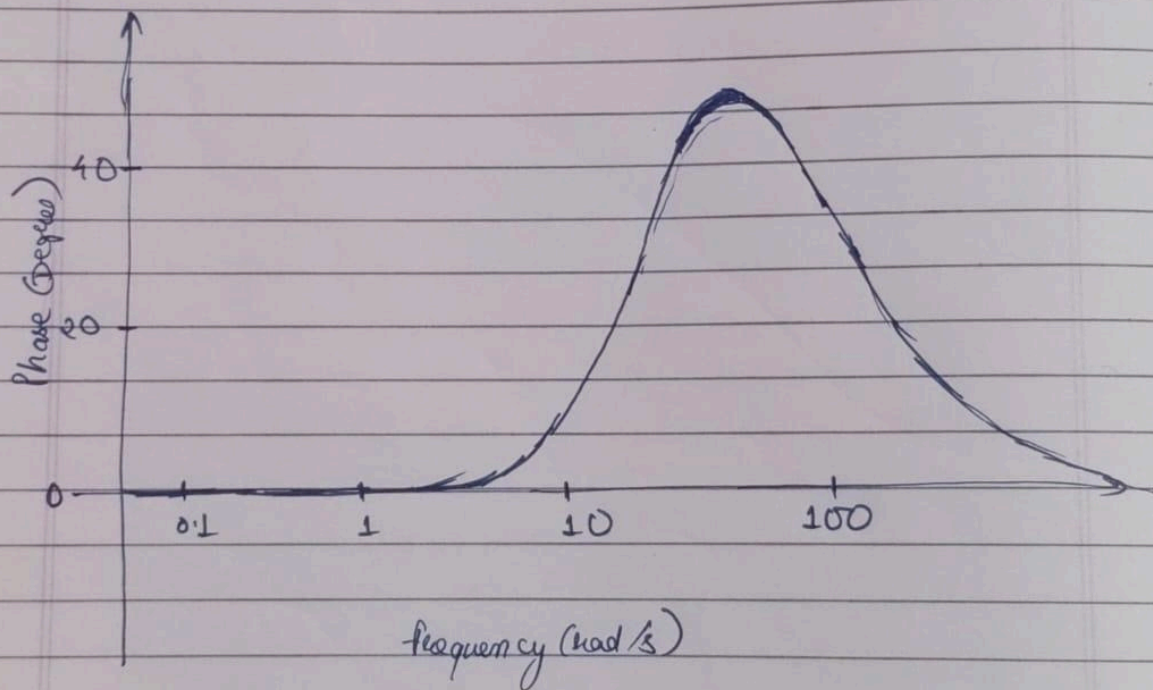
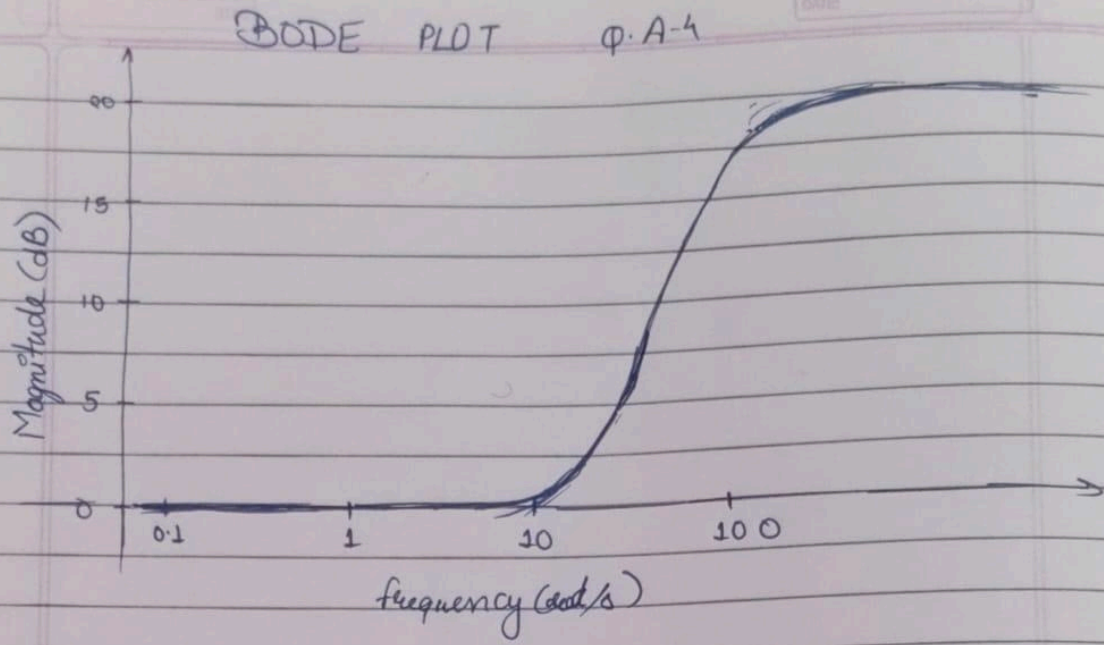
1. Find the zero and pole:

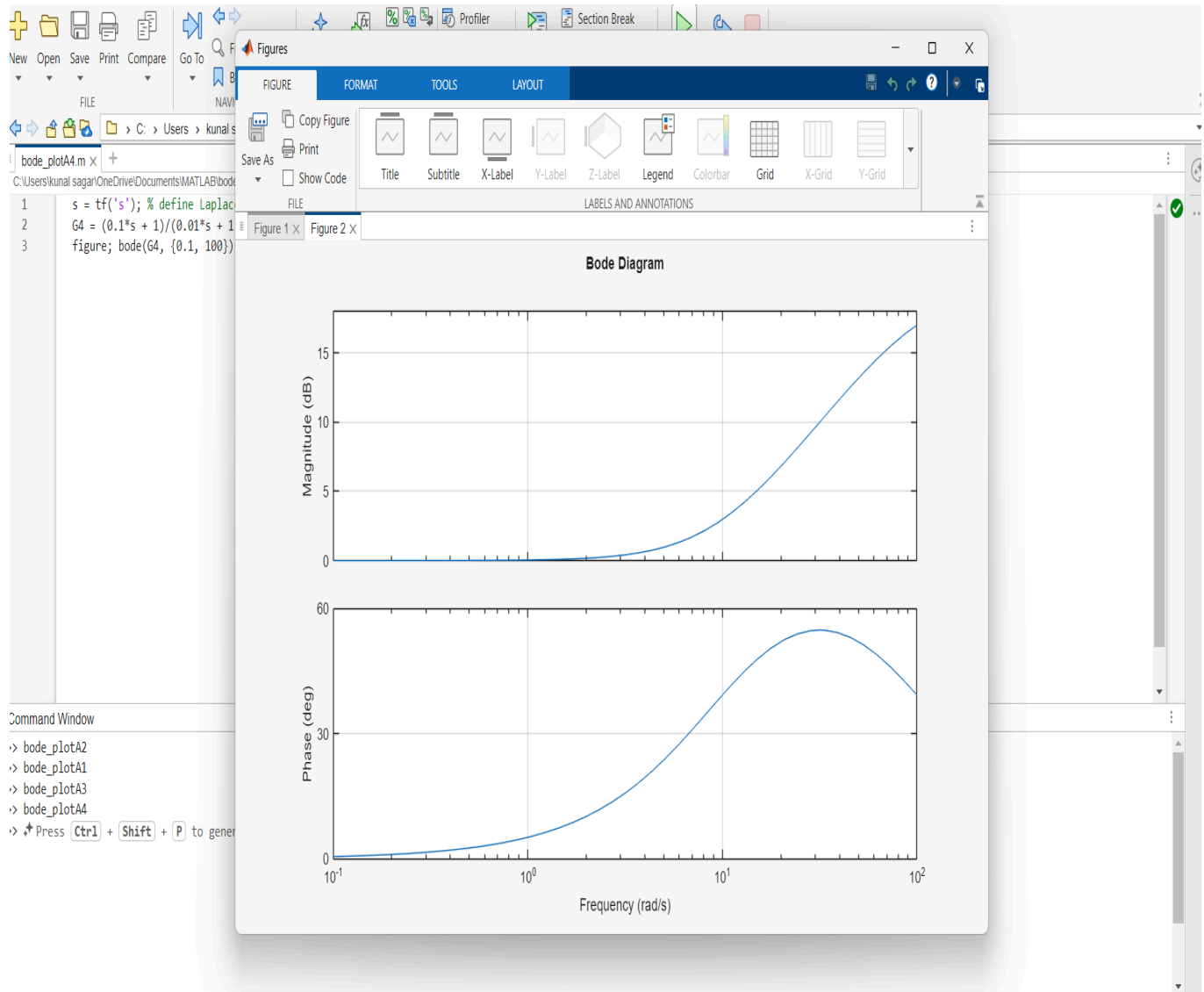
Answer : The zero occurs at $s = -10$ rad/s.

The pole occurs at $s = -100$ rad/s

2. Sketch the asymptotic Bode magnitude and phase plots for $\omega \in [0.1, 100]$ rad/s.

3. Attach: (a) Hand-sketched asymptotic Bode plots (magnitude and phase).
(b) Screenshot of MATLAB/Octave/Python Bode plots for $G_4(s)$.





4. Very short question: Around the frequency between the zero and pole, does $G4(s)$ tend to add positive phase (phase lead) or negative phase (phase lag)?

Answer : $G4(s)$ adds positive phase (phase lead) between the zero and pole frequencies.

2) Part B: Mass–Spring–Damper Transfer Function

B.1 Derive the Differential Equation and Transfer Function

1. Using Newton's second law and the diagram, write the differential equation relating $x(t)$ and $F(t)$:

Answer : in the diagram we can clearly see that,

- 1) Force $f(t)$ is applied on the box on right
- 2) Spring of spring constant k pulls the the box to left with with force kx (since spring force is proportional to x)
- 3) Damper with damping constant c applies force of cx' (damping force is proportional to velocity)
- 4) Net force can be made equal to mx'' .

Therefore by using Newton's second law we get:

$$mx'' = f - kx - cx'$$

2. Assume zero initial conditions and apply the Laplace transform to obtain an equation in $X(s)$ and $F(s)$: Answer: assuming initial conditions to be zero and applying laplace equation in the above equation, we get,

$$m[s^2X(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] = F(s) - kX(s) - c[sX(s) - x(0)]$$

Now $x(0) = 0$ and $x'(0) = 0$

$$ms^2X(s) = F(s) - kX(s) - csX(s)$$

$$F(s) = ms^2X(s) + kX(s) + csX(s)$$

3. Derive the transfer function: $G(s) = X(s)/F(s)$

Answer :

$$F(s) = X(s)[ms^2 + k + cs]$$

$$X(s)/F(s) = 1/[ms^2 + k + cs]$$

Thus, $G(s) = 1/[ms^2 + k + cs]$

B.2 Numerical Example and Bode Plots

For: $m=1\text{kg}$, $d=4\text{N}\cdot\text{s/m}$, $c=16\text{ N/m}$

1. Write the numerical transfer function $G(s)$:

Answer : plugging the given number $m=1, d=4, c=16$ into the general results from B.1 we get:

$$G(s) = 1/(s^2 + 4s + 16)$$

2. Find the poles

Answer : $s^2 + 4s + 16 = 0$

$$s_{1,2} = -2 + j\sqrt{12}, -2 - j\sqrt{12}$$

3. Sketch the asymptotic Bode magnitude and phase plots for $\omega \in [0.1, 100]$ rad/s.

4. Generate Bode plots in MATLAB/Octave/Python and attach:

(a) Hand-sketches asymptotic Bode plots (magnitude and phase).

(b) Screenshot of MATLAB/Octave/Python Bode plots for this numerical example.

