

ENGINEERING TRIPOS PART IIB

Wednesday 23 April 2008 2.30 to 4

Module 4F1

CONTROL SYSTEM DESIGN

Answer not more than two questions.

All questions carry the same number of marks.

*The **approximate** percentage of marks allocated to each part of a question is indicated in the right margin.*

Attachment: Formulae sheet (3 pages).

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

Single-sided script paper

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Engineering Data Book

CUED approved calculator allowed

Supplementary pages: Two extra copies of Fig. 2 (Question 3).

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator

1 (a) Briefly describe the advantages and disadvantages of using feedback to control a system. [25%]

(b) Suppose that $G(s)K(s)$ is stable, minimum phase and has at least second order roll-off at high frequencies and let $S(s)$ denote the sensitivity function.

(i) Show that [25%]

$$\int_0^{\infty} \ln |S(j\omega)| d\omega = 0.$$

(ii) Suppose the following specifications are required:

$$\text{A: } |S(j\omega)| < \varepsilon \text{ for } 0 \leq \omega \leq 1,$$

$$\text{B: } |S(j\omega)| < 1.2 \text{ for } 1 \leq \omega \leq 5,$$

$$\text{C: } |G(j\omega)K(j\omega)| < \frac{1}{\omega^2} \text{ for all } \omega \geq 5.$$

Use C to obtain an upper bound on [25%]

$$\int_5^{\infty} \ln |S(j\omega)| d\omega.$$

[Hint: you may assume that

$$\int \ln(1 - \omega^{-2}) d\omega = \omega \ln(1 - \omega^{-2}) + \ln \left(\frac{\omega + 1}{\omega - 1} \right).]$$

(iii) Hence find a positive number ε_0 such that the specifications are infeasible for $\varepsilon < \varepsilon_0$. [25%]

2 (a) Fig. 1 shows the block diagram of a two-degree-of-freedom control system where the plant to be controlled has a rational transfer function $G(s)$. A return-ratio transfer function $L(s) = C(s)G(s)$ has already been designed with a compensator $C(s)$ which internally stabilizes the plant. It is desired to choose $F(s)$, $K(s)$ and $H(s)$ to achieve a desired transfer function $T_{\bar{r} \rightarrow \bar{y}}$ relating \bar{y} to \bar{r} with $C(s) = F(s)K(s)$.

- (i) State the minimum conditions that need to be imposed on $T_{\bar{r} \rightarrow \bar{y}}$. [10%]
- (ii) Prove that the conditions of Part (a)(i) are necessary for internal stability. [15%]
- (iii) Assuming only that $T_{\bar{r} \rightarrow \bar{y}}$ satisfies the conditions of Part (a)(i), describe how to construct $F(s)$, $K(s)$ and $H(s)$. [15%]

(b) A control system is to be designed for the plant $G(s) = 1/(s-2)$. A sensor has been selected which does not measure $\bar{y}(s)$ directly, but instead measures $\bar{w}(s) = F(s)\bar{y}(s)$ where $F(s) = \frac{s-1}{s+1}$.

- (i) Find a $K(s)$ and $H(s)$ in Fig. 1 to achieve an internally stable closed-loop system and transfer function $T_{\bar{r} \rightarrow \bar{y}} = 1/(s+1)$. [Hint: a $K(s)$ with only one zero at -1 and only one pole is sufficient.] [40%]
- (ii) If $K(s)$ is replaced by $kK(s)$ in your design where k is a constant, what is the range of k for which the closed-loop system is stable? [10%]
- (iii) What advice should a control engineer give to his employer who requires a control system to be designed for this plant? [10%]

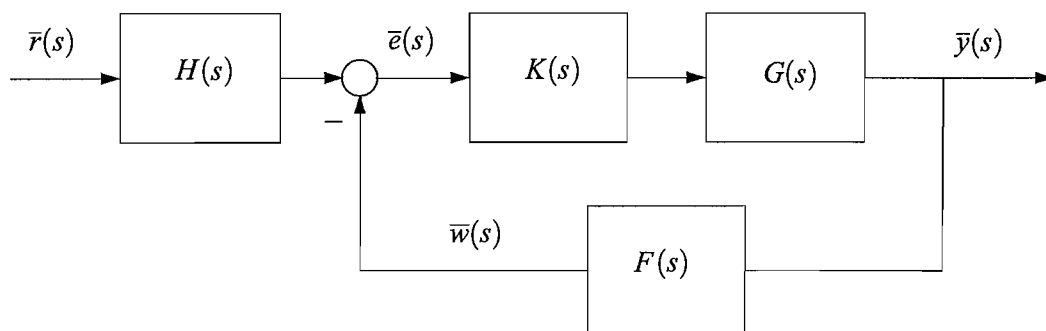


Fig. 1

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3 Fig. 2 is the Bode diagram of a system $G(s)$ for which a feedback compensator $K(s)$ in the standard negative feedback configuration is to be designed. It may be assumed that $G(s)$ is a real-rational transfer function, and that all poles and zeros have moduli which lie within the range of frequencies shown on the diagram.

- (a) (i) Sketch on a copy of Fig. 2 the expected phase of $G(j\omega)$ if $G(s)$ were stable and minimum phase. [10%]
- (ii) Comment on whether $G(s)$ has any poles or zeros at the origin. [10%]
- (iii) Determine whether $G(s)$ has any right half plane poles or zeros (it doesn't have both), and estimate their location (if there are any). [10%]
- (iv) Comment on any limitations that this might impose on the achievable crossover frequency. [10%]
- (b) Suppose a constant controller $K(s) = k$ is employed.
- (i) Use a sketch of the Nyquist diagram to determine the number of right half plane poles of the closed-loop system for each k , as k varies over positive and negative values. [15%]
- (ii) Find the value of k which gives a stable closed-loop system with the largest phase margin. [10%]
- (c) A feedback compensator $K(s)$ is sought to provide internal stability of the closed-loop and satisfy $S(0) = 0$ where S is the sensitivity function. Explain why this is not achievable. [10%]
- (d) Find a feedback compensator $K(s)$ which provides internal stability of the closed-loop and satisfies the following specifications:
- A: $|G(j\omega)K(j\omega)| = 1$ at $\omega = 10$ rad/sec,
- B: a phase margin of at least 45° .
- Show on another copy of Fig. 2 the effect of this compensator on the return-ratio transfer function. [25%]

Two copies of Fig. 2 are provided on separate sheets. These should be handed in with your answers.

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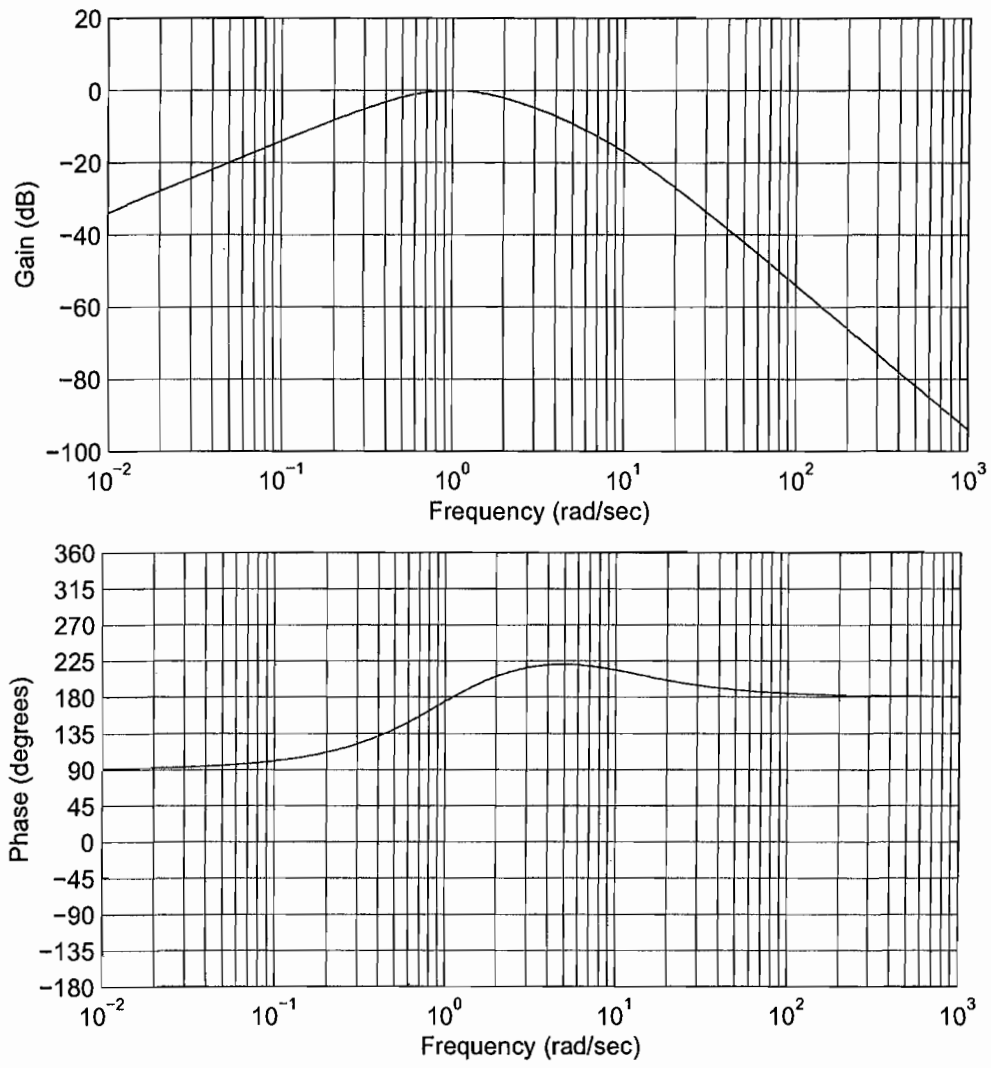


Fig. 2

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Formulae sheet for Module 4F1: Control System Design

To be available during the examination.

1 Terms

For the standard feedback system shown below, the **Return-Ratio Transfer Function** $L(s)$ is given by

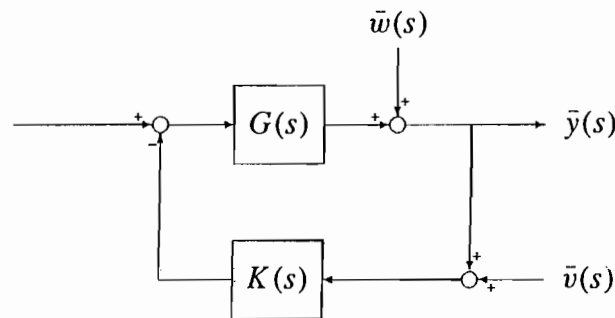
$$L(s) = G(s)K(s),$$

the **Sensitivity Function** $S(s)$ is given by

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

and the **Complementary Sensitivity Function** $T(s)$ is given by

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



The closed-loop system is called **Internally Stable** if each of the *four* closed-loop transfer functions

$$\frac{1}{1 + G(s)K(s)}, \quad \frac{G(s)K(s)}{1 + G(s)K(s)}, \quad \frac{K(s)}{1 + G(s)K(s)}, \quad \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)K(s)}$$

are stable (which is equivalent to $S(s)$ being stable and there being no right half plane pole/zero cancellations between $G(s)$ and $K(s)$).

A transfer function is called **real-rational** if it can be written as the ratio of two polynomials in s , the coefficients of each of which are purely real.

2 Phase-lead compensators

The phase-lead compensator

$$K(s) = \alpha \frac{s + \omega_c/\alpha}{s + \omega_c\alpha}, \quad \alpha > 1$$

achieves its maximum phase advance at $\omega = \omega_c$, and satisfies:

$$|K(j\omega_c)| = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad \angle K(j\omega_c) = 2 \arctan \alpha - 90^\circ.$$

3 The Bode Gain/Phase Relationship

If

1. $L(s)$ is a real-rational function of s ,
2. $L(s)$ has no poles or zeros in the *open* RHP ($\text{Re}(s) > 0$) and
3. satisfies the normalization condition $L(0) > 0$.

then

$$\angle L(j\omega_0) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dv} \log |L(j\omega_0 e^v)| \log \coth \frac{|v|}{2} dv$$

Note that

$$\log \coth \frac{|v|}{2} = \log \left| \frac{\omega + \omega_0}{\omega - \omega_0} \right|, \text{ where } \omega = \omega_0 e^v.$$

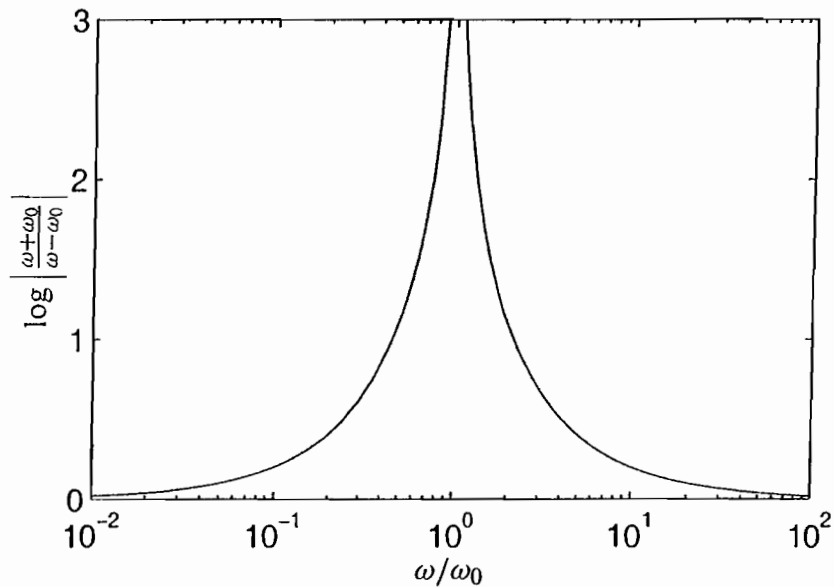


Figure 1:

If the slope of $L(j\omega)$ is approximately constant for a sufficiently wide range of frequencies around $\omega = \omega_0$ we get the *approximate form of the Bode Gain/Phase Relationship*

$$\angle L(j\omega_0) \approx \frac{\pi}{2} \left. \frac{d \log |L(j\omega_0 e^v)|}{dv} \right|_{\omega=\omega_0}$$

4 The Poisson Integral

If $H(s)$ is a real-rational function of s which has no poles or zeros in $\text{Re}(s) > 0$, then if $s_0 = \sigma_0 + j\omega_0$ with $\sigma_0 > 0$

$$\log H(s_0) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sigma_0^2 + (\omega - \omega_0)^2} \log H(j\omega) d\omega$$

and

$$\log |H(s_0)| = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cosh v \cos \theta}{\sinh^2 v + \cos^2 \theta} \log |H(j|s_0|e^v)| dv$$

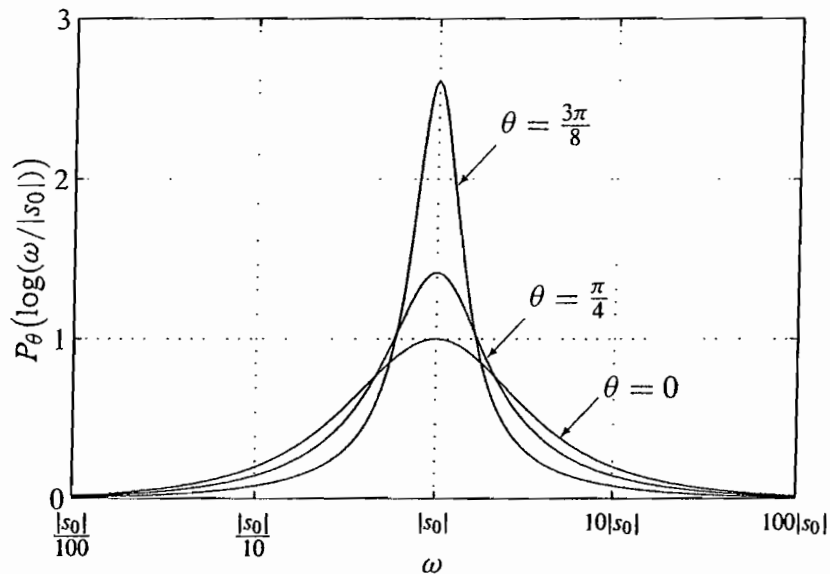
where $v = \log \left(\frac{\omega}{|s_0|} \right)$ and $\theta = \angle(s_0)$. Note that, if s_0 is real, so $\angle s_0 = 0$, then

$$\frac{\cosh v \cos \theta}{\sinh^2 v + \cos^2 \theta} = \frac{1}{\cosh v}$$

We define

$$P_\theta(v) = \frac{\cosh v \cos \theta}{\sinh^2 v + \cos^2 \theta}$$

and give graphs of P_θ below.



The indefinite integral is given by

$$\int P_\theta(v) dv = \arctan \left(\frac{\sinh v}{\cos \theta} \right)$$

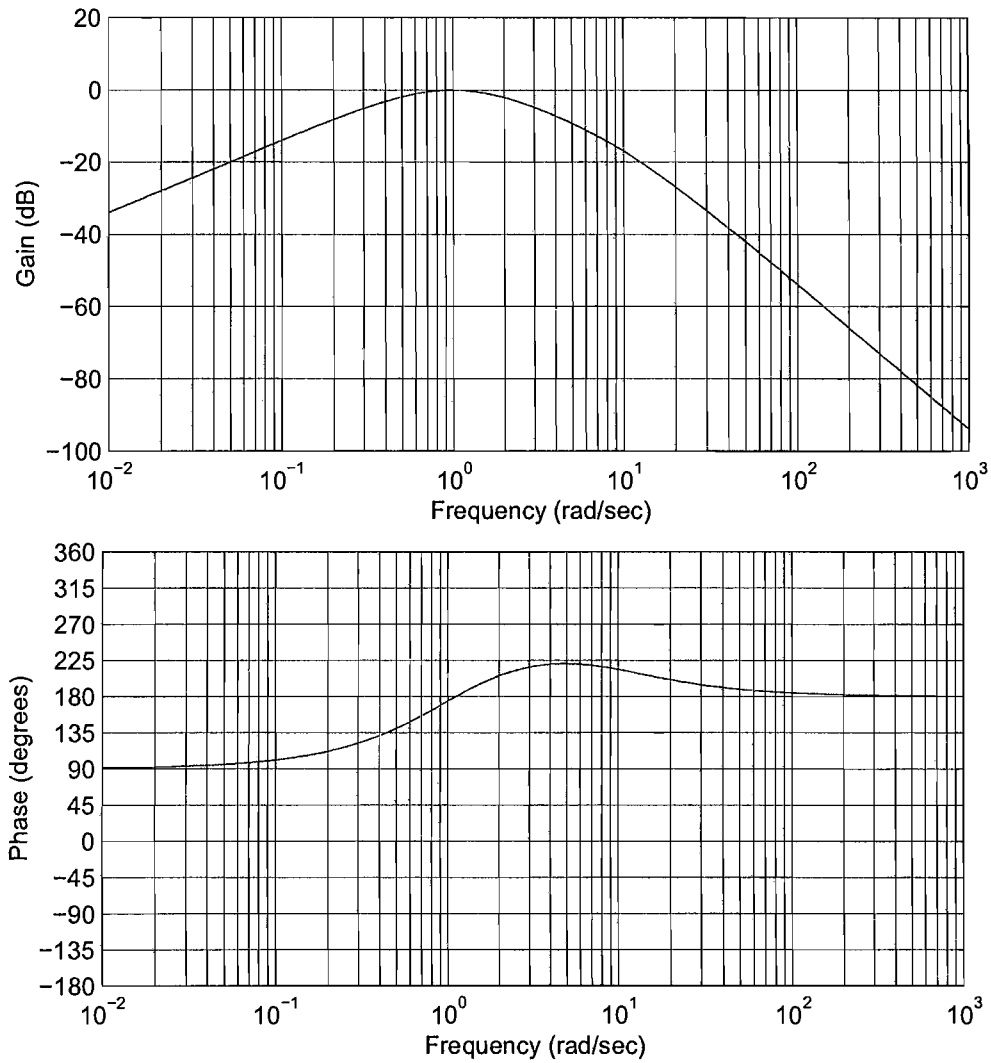
and

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_\theta(v) dv = 1 \quad \text{for all } \theta.$$

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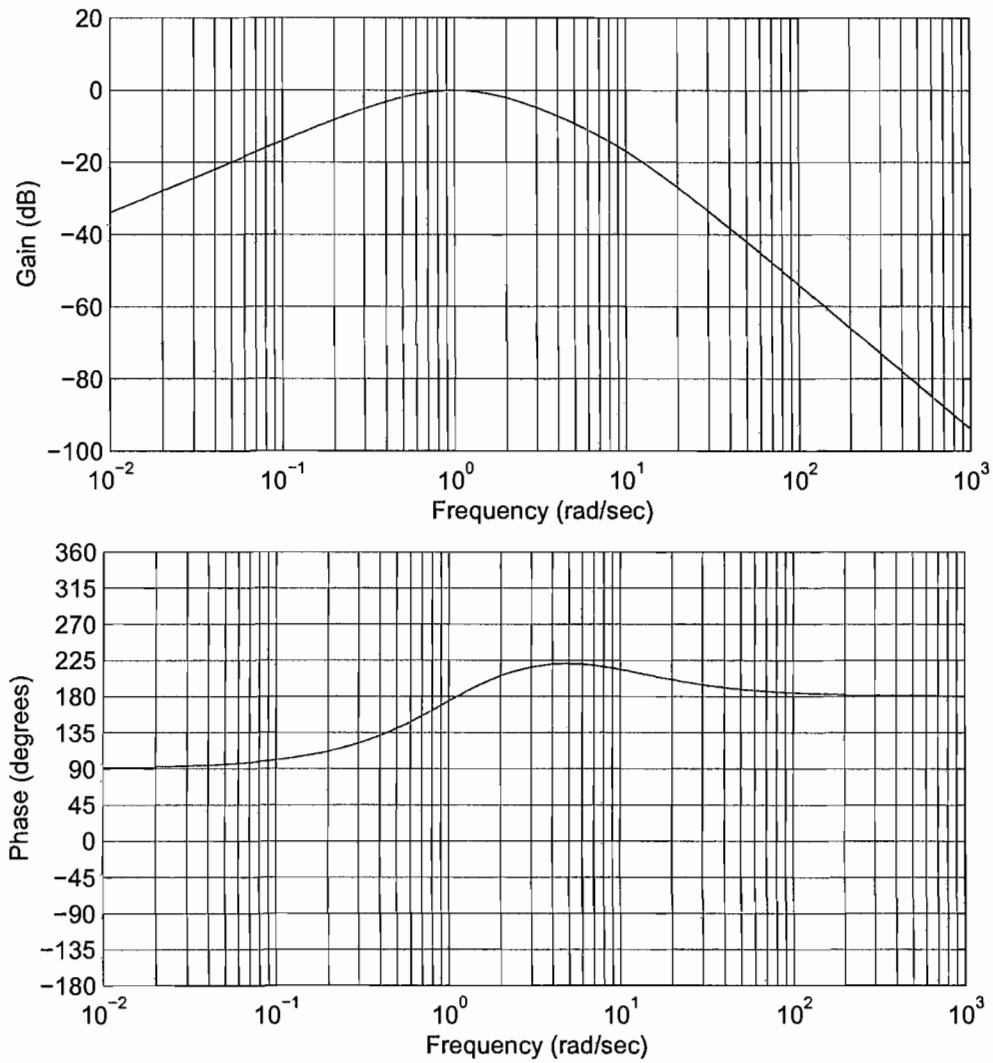
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