

ECE171A: Linear Control System Theory

Lecture 12: Root Locus

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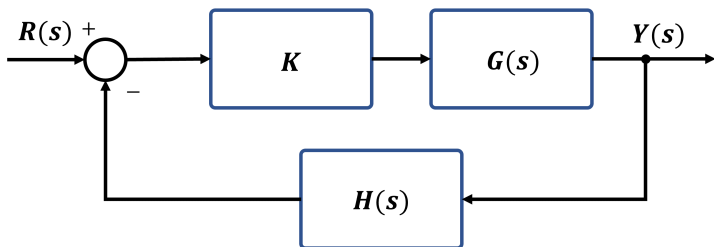
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Root Locus Overview

- ▶ The response of a control system is determined by the locations of the poles of its transfer function in the complex domain
- ▶ Feedback control can be used to move the poles of the transfer function by choosing appropriate controller **type** and **gains**
- ▶ The **root locus** provides all possible closed-loop pole locations as a system parameter, e.g., the gain k of a proportional controller, varies
- ▶ **Root locus plot**
 - ▶ By computer: find the roots of the closed-loop characteristic polynomial at different values of the parameter
 - ▶ By hand: sketch the root locus shape by following rules determined by the feedback-loop pole and zero locations and phases
- ▶ Besides adjusting the proportional gain k of the controller, it is important to understand how to manipulate the root locus by changing the controller type

Root Locus: Example 1

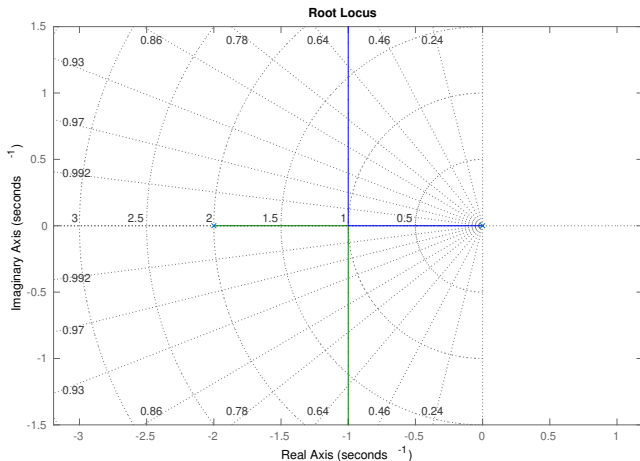


- ▶ Consider a feedback control system
 - ▶ Controller $F(s) = k$
 - ▶ Plant $G(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+2)}$
 - ▶ Sensor $H(s) = 1$
- ▶ Transfer function: $T(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{k}{s^2 + 2s + k}$
- ▶ Root locus: how do the transfer function poles vary as a function of k ?

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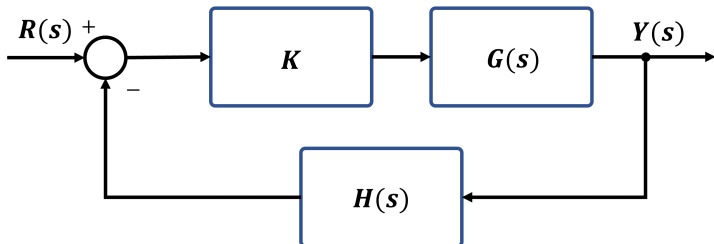
- Root locus of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+2)}$

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- Closed-loop characteristic polynomial $s^2 + 2s + k$ has roots $p_{1,2} = -1 \pm \sqrt{1-k}$

Root Locus: Example 2



- ▶ Add a **left-half-plane zero** to the plant:

- ▶ Controller $F(s) = k$

- ▶ Plant $G(s) = \frac{(s+3)}{s(s+2)}$

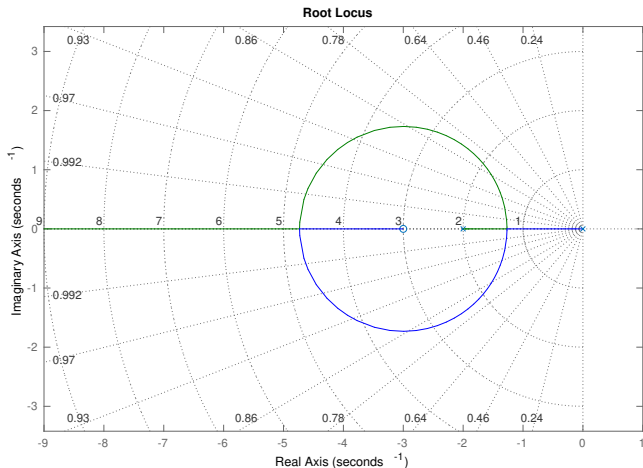
- ▶ Sensor $H(s) = 1$

- ▶ Transfer function: $T(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{k(s+3)}{s^2 + (s+k)s + 3k}$

Root Locus: Example 2

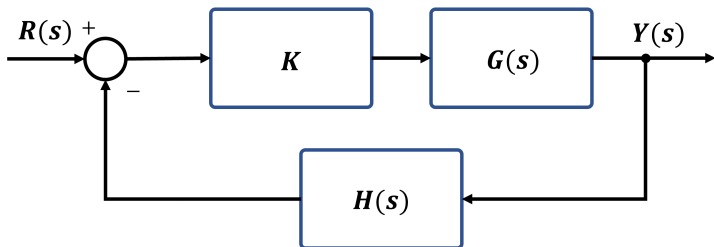
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- Adding a stable zero increases the relative stability of the system by attracting the branches of the root locus

Root Locus: Example 3



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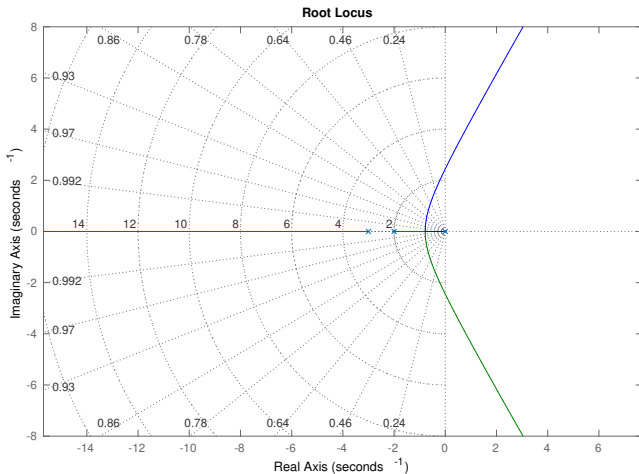
▶ Sensor $H(s) = 1$

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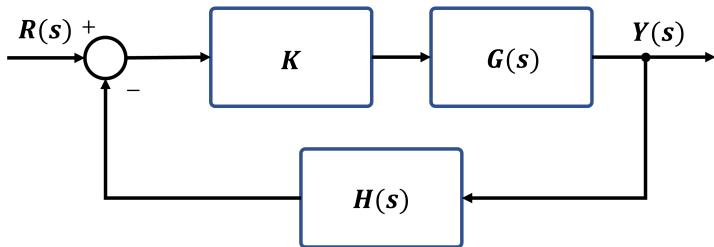
- ▶ Root locus for $G(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+2)(s+3)}$

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- ▶ **Adding a stable pole decreases the relative stability of the system by repelling the branches of the root locus**

Root Locus Definition



▶ Transfer function: $T(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{kG(s)}{1 + kG(s)H(s)}$

▶ The poles of the closed-loop transfer function satisfy:

$$\Delta(s) = 1 + kG(s)H(s) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad G(s)H(s) = -\frac{1}{k}$$

▶ **Root locus:** a graph of the roots of $\Delta(s)$ as the gain k varies from 0 to ∞

Positive vs Negative Root Locus

- ▶ **Root locus:** points s such that:

$$1 + kG(s)H(s) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad G(s)H(s) = -\frac{1}{k}$$

- ▶ **Positive root locus:** for $k \geq 0$, the points s on the root locus satisfy:
 - ▶ **Magnitude condition:** $|G(s)H(s)| = \frac{1}{k}$
 - ▶ **Phase condition:** $\angle G(s)H(s) = (1 + 2l)180^\circ$ for $l = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$
- ▶ **Negative root locus:** for $k \leq 0$, the points s on the root locus satisfy:
 - ▶ **Magnitude condition:** $|G(s)H(s)| = -\frac{1}{k}$
 - ▶ **Phase condition:** $\angle G(s)H(s) = (2l)180^\circ$ for $l = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

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Positive Root Locus

- ▶ Consider the zeros and poles of $G(s)H(s)$ explicitly:

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{b_m s^m + \dots + b_1 s + b_0}{a_n s^n + \dots + a_1 s + a_0} = \frac{b_m (s - z_1) \dots (s - z_m)}{a_n (s - p_1) \dots (s - p_n)}$$

- ▶ **Positive root locus:** for $k \geq 0$, the points s on the root locus satisfy:
 - ▶ **Magnitude condition:** used to determine the gain k corresponding to a point s on the root locus:

$$|G(s)H(s)| = \left| \frac{b_m}{a_n} \right| \frac{\prod_{i=1}^m |s - z_i|}{\prod_{i=1}^n |s - p_i|} = \frac{1}{k}$$

- ▶ **Phase condition:** used to check if a point s is on the root locus:

$$\angle G(s)H(s) = \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (s - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (s - p_i) = (1 + 2l)180^\circ,$$

where $l \in \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$

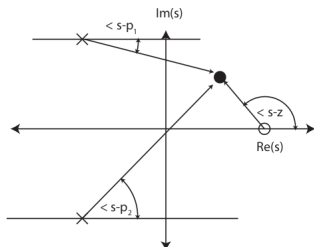
Phase Condition Example

- ▶ Consider $G(s)H(s) = \frac{s+4}{s((s+1)^2+1)} = \frac{s+4}{s(s+1+j)(s+1-j)}$
- ▶ The phase condition allows checking if a point s is on the root locus
- ▶ Is the point $s = -3$ on the root locus?

$$\begin{aligned}\angle G(s)H(s) &= \angle 1 - \angle -3 - \angle -2 + j - \angle -2 - j \\ &= 0 - 180^\circ - 0 = -180^\circ\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Is the point $s = -4 + j$ on the root locus?

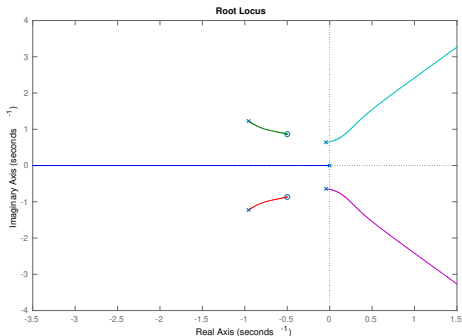
$$\begin{aligned}\angle G(s)H(s) &= \angle j - \angle -4 + j - \angle -3 + j2 - \angle -3 \\ &= 90^\circ - \left(180^\circ - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\right) - \left(180^\circ - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\right) - 180^\circ \\ &\approx -450^\circ + 47.7^\circ\end{aligned}$$



- ▶ Using this method to determine all points on the root locus is cumbersome
- ▶ We need more general rules

Root Locus Symmetry

- ▶ The closed-loop poles are either real or complex conjugate pairs
- ▶ The root locus is **symmetric** about the real axis and the axes of symmetry of the pole-zero configuration of $G(s)H(s)$
- ▶ We can divide the root locus into:
 - ▶ points on the real axis
 - ▶ symmetric parts off the real axis

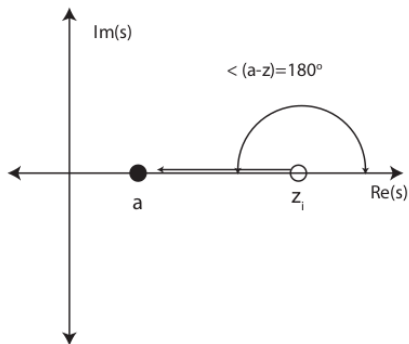


Points on the Real Axis

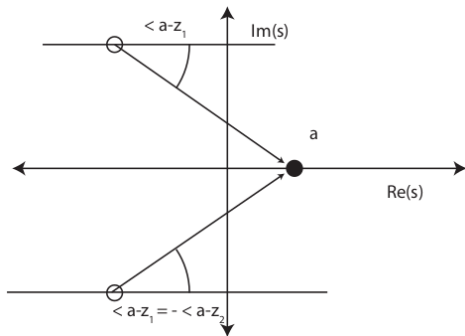
- Phase condition:

$$\angle G(s)H(s) = \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (s - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (s - p_i) = (1 + 2l)180^\circ, \quad l \in \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$$

- For real $s = a$:



(a) A zero to the right contributes 180°



(b) A conjugate pair of zeros does not contribute since the phases sum to zero

Points on the Real Axis

- ▶ Phase condition:

$$\angle G(s)H(s) = \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (s - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (s - p_i) = (1 + 2l)180^\circ, \quad l \in \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$$

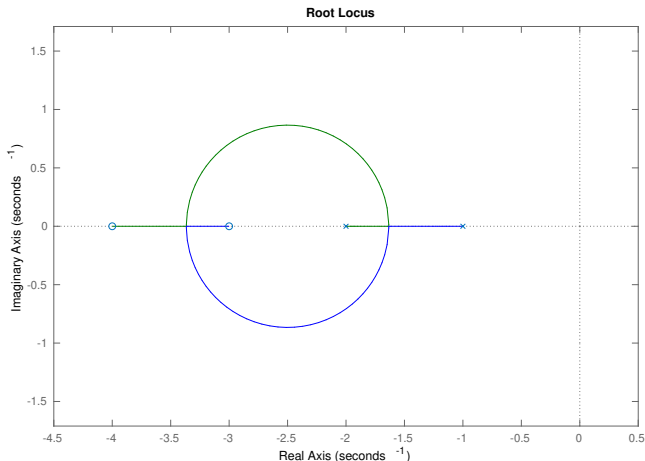
- ▶ If s is real:

- ▶ Each zero to the right of s contributes 180°
 - ▶ Each pole to the right of s contributes -180°
 - ▶ A pole or zero to the left of s does not contribute since its phase is 0°
 - ▶ Pairs of complex conjugate poles or zeros do not contribute since their phases sum to zero
- ▶ **Rule:** The positive root locus contains all points on the real axis that are to the left of an odd number of zeros or poles

Points on the Real Axis: Example 1

- Determine the real axis portions of the root locus of

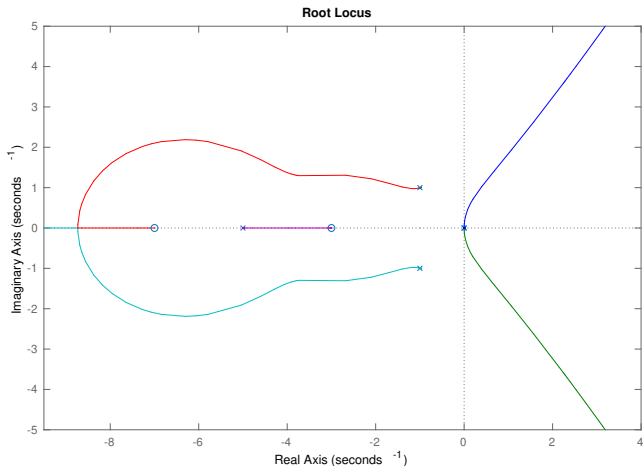
$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{(s + 3)(s + 4)}{(s + 1)(s + 2)}$$



Points on the Real Axis: Example 2

- Determine the real axis portions of the root locus of

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{(s + 3)(s + 7)}{s^2((s + 1)^2 + 1)(s + 5)}$$



Departure and Arrival Points

- ▶ **Root locus:** graphs the roots of the closed-loop characteristic polynomial:

$$\Delta(s) = 1 + kG(s)H(s) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a(s) + kb(s) = 0,$$

where $a(s)$ is n -degree polynomial, $b(s)$ is m -degree polynomial

- ▶ Since $n \geq m$, $a(s) + kb(s)$ is an n -degree polynomial and has n roots
- ▶ **The root locus has n branches**
- ▶ **Departure points:**
 - ▶ if $k = 0$, the roots of $a(s) + kb(s)$ are roots of $a(s)$, i.e., **poles** of $G(s)H(s)$
- ▶ **Arrival points:**
 - ▶ if $k \rightarrow \infty$, the solutions of $\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = -\frac{1}{k}$ are roots of $b(s)$, i.e., **zeros** of $G(s)H(s)$
- ▶ **Rule:** The n root locus branches begin at the **poles** of $G(s)H(s)$ (when $k = 0$), and m of the branches end at the zeros of $G(s)H(s)$ (as $k \rightarrow \infty$)

Asymptotic Behavior

- ▶ The root locus has n branches starting at the poles of $G(s)H(s)$ and m of them terminate at the zeros of $G(s)H(s)$
- ▶ What happens with the remaining $n - m$ branches?
- ▶ As $k \rightarrow \infty$, $G(s)H(s) = -\frac{1}{k} \rightarrow 0$

$$\begin{aligned}G(s)H(s) &= \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{b_m s^m + b_{m-1} s^{m-1} + \cdots + b_1 s + b_0}{a_n s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 s + a_0} \\ &= \frac{b_m \frac{1}{s^{n-m}} + b_{m-1} \frac{1}{s^{n-m+1}} + \cdots + b_1 \frac{1}{s^{n-1}} + b_0 \frac{1}{s^n}}{a_n + a_{n-1} \frac{1}{s} + \cdots + a_1 \frac{1}{s^{n-1}} + a_0 \frac{1}{s^n}}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ The numerator of $G(s)H(s)$ goes to zero if $|s| \rightarrow \infty$, i.e., there are $n - m$ **zeros at infinity**
- ▶ As $k \rightarrow \infty$, m branches go to the zeros of $G(s)H(s)$ and the remaining $n - m$ branches go off to infinity along asymptotes

Asymptotic Behavior

- ▶ Phase condition:

$$\angle G(s)H(s) = \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (s - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (s - p_i) = (1 + 2l)180^\circ, \quad l \in \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$$

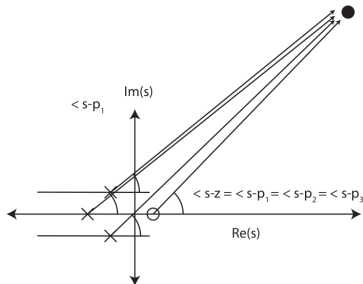
- ▶ As $|s| \rightarrow \infty$, all angles become the same:

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &\approx \angle (s - z_1) \approx \dots \approx \angle (s - z_m) \\ &\approx \angle (s - p_1) \approx \dots \approx \angle (s - p_n) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Asymptote angles:

$$\theta_l = \frac{(1 + 2l)}{|n - m|} 180^\circ - \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n},$$

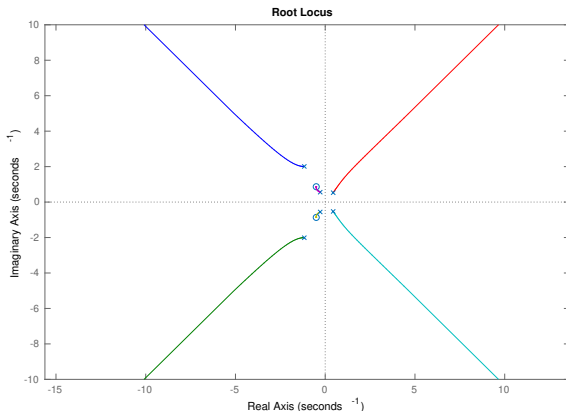
for $l \in \{0, \dots, |n - m| - 1\}$



Asymptotic Behavior: Example

- ▶ Determine the root locus asymptotes of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{s^2+s+1}{s^6+2s^5+5s^4-s^3+2s^2+1}$
- ▶ There are $m = 2$ zeros and $n = 6$ poles and hence $n - m = 4$ asymptotes with angles:

$$\frac{\pi}{4} \quad \frac{3\pi}{4} \quad \frac{5\pi}{4} \quad \frac{7\pi}{4}$$



Asymptotic Behavior

- ▶ Where do the asymptote lines start?
- ▶ If we consider a point s with very large magnitude, the poles and zeros of $G(s)H(s)$ will appear clustered at one point α on the real axis
- ▶ The **asymptote centroid** is a point α such that as $k \rightarrow \infty$:

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{b_m s^m + b_{m-1} s^{m-1} + \dots + b_1 s + b_0}{a_n s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 s + a_0} \approx \frac{b_m}{a_n (s - \alpha)^{n-m}}$$

- ▶ Recall the Binomial theorem:

$$(s - \alpha)^{n-m} = s^{n-m} - \alpha(n-m)s^{n-m-1} + \dots$$

- ▶ Recall polynomial long division:

$$\frac{s^n + \frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} s^{n-1} + \dots + \frac{a_1}{a_n} s + \frac{a_0}{a_n}}{s^m + \frac{b_{m-1}}{b_m} s^{m-1} + \dots + \frac{b_1}{b_m} s + \frac{b_0}{b_m}} = s^{n-m} + \left(\frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} - \frac{b_{m-1}}{b_m} \right) s^{n-m-1} + \dots$$

Asymptotic Behavior

- ▶ Matching the coefficients of s^{n-m-1} shows the asymptote centroid:

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{n-m} \left(\frac{b_{m-1}}{b_m} - \frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} \right)$$

- ▶ Recall Vieta's formulas:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = -\frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} \qquad \sum_{i=1}^m z_i = -\frac{b_{m-1}}{b_m}$$

- ▶ **Rule:** the $n - m$ branches of the root locus that go to infinity approach asymptotes with angles θ_l coming out of the centroid $s = \alpha$, where:

- ▶ **Angles:**

$$\theta_l = \frac{(1+2l)}{|n-m|} 180^\circ - \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n}, \quad l \in \{0, \dots, |n-m|-1\}$$

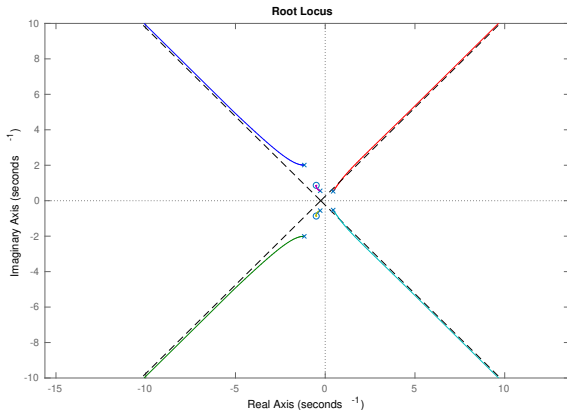
- ▶ **Centroid:**

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{n-m} \left(\frac{b_{m-1}}{b_m} - \frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} \right) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i - \sum_{i=1}^m z_i}{n-m}$$

Asymptotic Behavior: Example

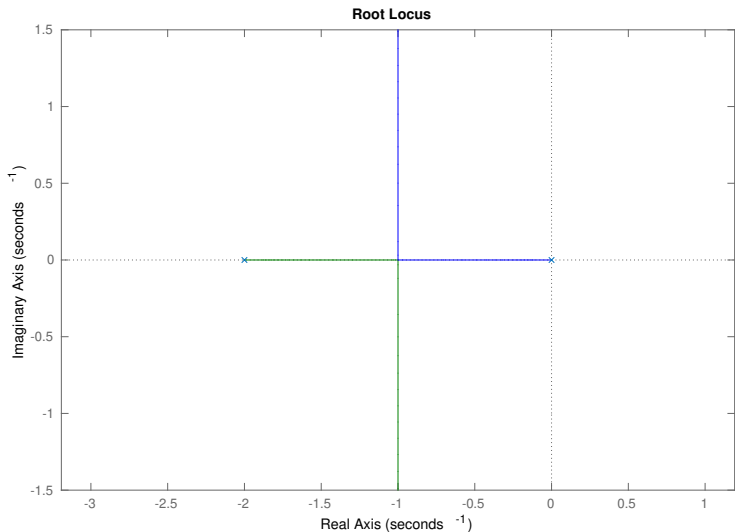
- ▶ Determine the root locus asymptotes of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{s^2+s+1}{s^6+2s^5+5s^4-s^3+2s^2+1}$
- ▶ There are 4 asymptotes with angles $\frac{\pi}{4}$, $\frac{3\pi}{4}$, $\frac{5\pi}{4}$, $\frac{7\pi}{4}$ and centroid:

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{2}{1} \right) = -\frac{1}{4}$$



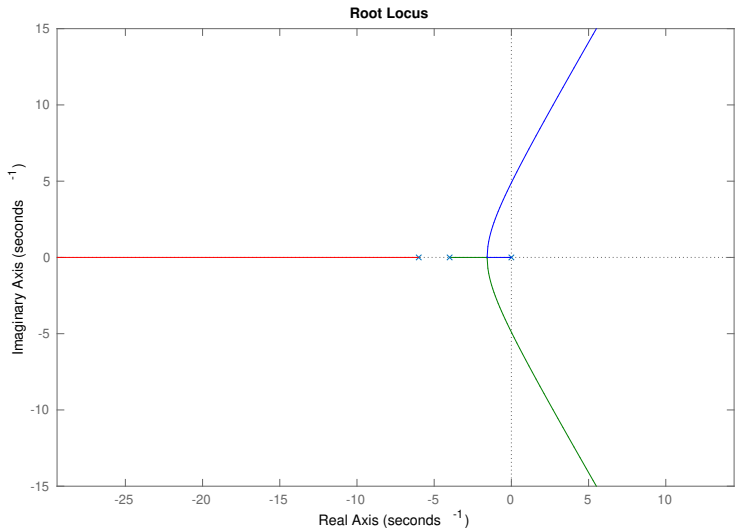
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- Determine the real axis portions and the asymptotes of the positive root locus of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+2)}$



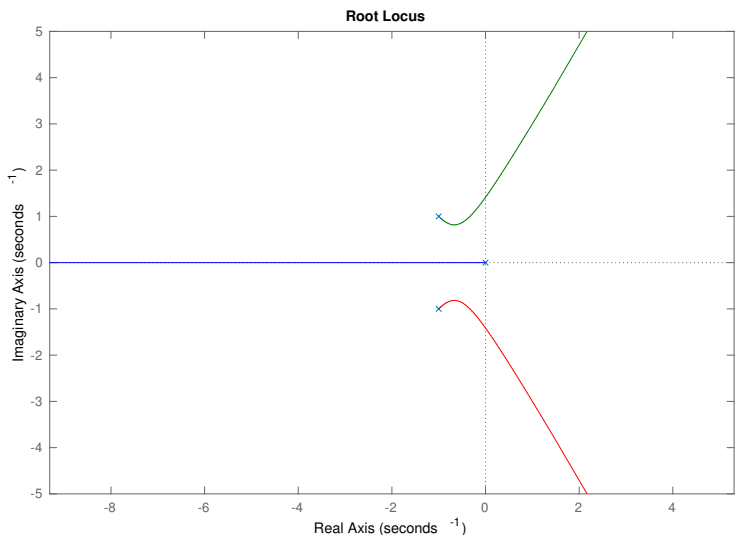
Positive Root Locus: Example 4

- Determine the real axis portions and the asymptotes of the positive root locus of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+4)(s+6)}$



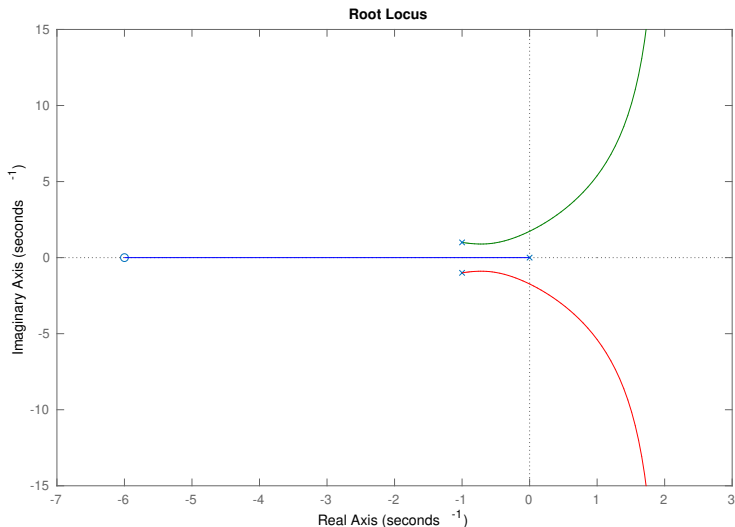
Positive Root Locus: Example 5

- Determine the real axis portions and the asymptotes of the positive root locus of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s((s+1)^2+1)}$



Positive Root Locus: Example 6

- Determine the real axis portions and the asymptotes of the positive root locus of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{s+6}{s((s+1)^2+1)}$



Breakaway Points

- ▶ The root locus leaves the real axis at **breakaway points** s_b where two or more branches meet
- ▶ The characteristic polynomial $\Delta(s) = a(s) + kb(s) = 0$ has repeated roots at the breakaway points:

$$\Delta(s) = (s - s_b)^q \bar{\Delta}(s) \quad \text{for } q \geq 2$$

- ▶ Since s_b is a root of multiplicity $q \geq 2$:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(s_b) &= a(s_b) + k b(s_b) = 0 \\ \frac{d\Delta}{ds}(s_b) &= \frac{da}{ds}(s_b) + k \frac{db}{ds}(s_b) = 0\end{aligned}$$

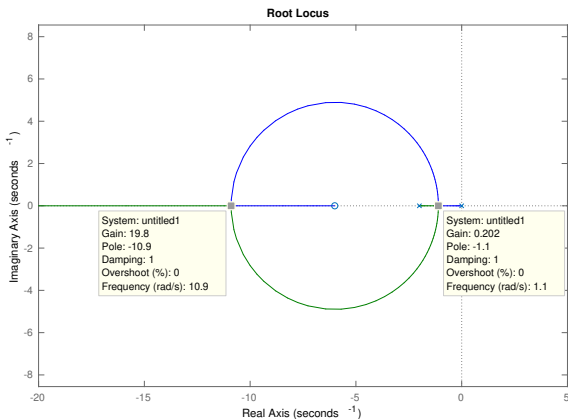
- ▶ **Rule:** The positive root locus breakaway points s_b occur when both:
 - ▶ $-\frac{a(s_b)}{b(s_b)} = k$ is a positive real number
 - ▶ $b(s_b) \frac{da}{ds}(s_b) - a(s_b) \frac{db}{ds}(s_b) = 0$

Breakaway Points: Example 1

- Determine the root locus breakaway points of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{s+6}{s(s+2)}$

$$b(s) \frac{da}{ds}(s) - a(s) \frac{db}{ds}(s) = 2(s+6)(s+1) - s(s+2) = s^2 + 12s + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s_b = -6 \pm 2\sqrt{6} \Rightarrow -\frac{a(s_b)}{b(s_b)} = \frac{-48 \pm 20\sqrt{6}}{\pm 2\sqrt{6}} = 10 \mp 4\sqrt{6} > 0$$



Breakaway Points: Example 2

- Determine the root locus breakaway points of

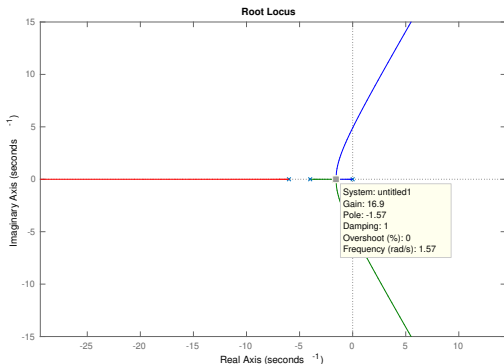
$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+4)(s+6)} = \frac{1}{s^3 + 10s^2 + 24s}$$

- Breakaway points:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= b(s) \frac{da}{ds}(s) - a(s) \frac{db}{ds}(s) \\ &= -3s^2 - 20s - 24 \end{aligned}$$

$$s_b = \frac{-10 \pm 2\sqrt{7}}{3} = \begin{cases} -1.57 \\ -5.10 \end{cases}$$

$$-\frac{a(s_b)}{b(s_b)} = \begin{cases} 16.90 \\ -5.05 \end{cases}$$



Breakaway Points: Example 3

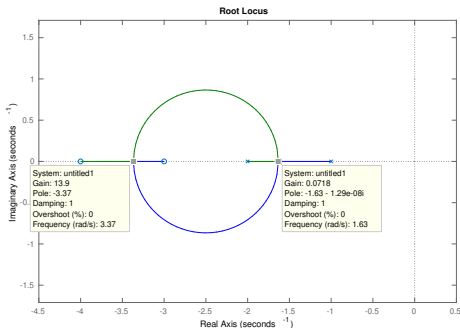
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$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{(s+3)(s+4)}{(s+1)(s+2)} = \frac{s^2 + 7s + 12}{s^2 + 3s + 2}$$

- Breakaway points:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= b(s) \frac{da}{ds}(s) - a(s) \frac{db}{ds}(s) \\ &= (s^2 + 3s + 2)(2s + 7) \\ &\quad - (2s + 3)(s^2 + 7s + 12) \\ &= -4s^2 - 20s - 22 \end{aligned}$$

$$s_b = \begin{cases} -1.634 \\ -3.366 \end{cases}$$



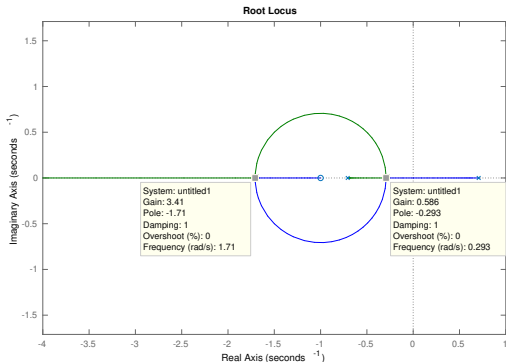
Breakaway Points: Example 4

- Determine the root locus breakaway points of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{s+1}{s^2-0.5}$

- Breakaway points:

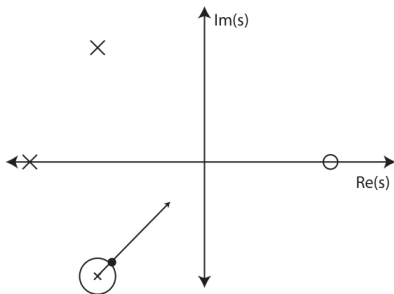
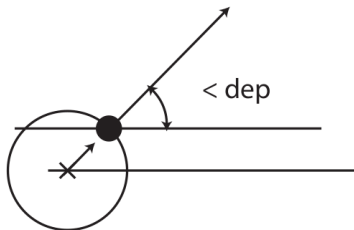
$$\begin{aligned}0 &= b(s) \frac{da}{ds}(s) - a(s) \frac{db}{ds}(s) \\ &= (s^2 - 0.5) - 2s(1 + s) \\ &= -s^2 - 2s - 0.5\end{aligned}$$

$$s_b = \begin{cases} -0.293 \\ -1.707 \end{cases}$$



Angle of Departure

- ▶ The root locus starts at the poles of $G(s)H(s)$. At what angles does the root locus depart from the poles?
- ▶ To determine the **departure angle**, look at a small region around a pole



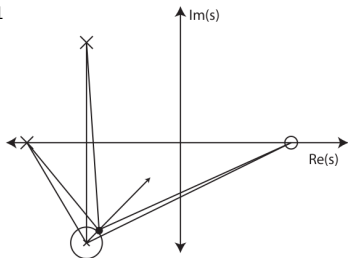
Angle of Departure

- ▶ Phase condition:

$$\angle G(s)H(s) = \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (s - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (s - p_i) = (1 + 2l)180^\circ$$

- ▶ Consider s very close to a pole p_j :

- ▶ $\angle_{\text{dep}} = \angle (s - p_j)$
- ▶ $\angle (s - z_i) \approx \angle (p_j - z_i)$ for all i
- ▶ $\angle (s - p_i) \approx \angle (p_j - p_i)$ for $i \neq j$
- ▶ $\angle (p_j - p_j) = 0$



- ▶ **Angle of departure at p_j :**

$$\begin{aligned} \angle G(s)H(s) &= \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (s - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (s - p_i) \\ &\approx \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (p_j - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (p_j - p_i) - \angle_{\text{dep}} \\ &= \angle G(p_j)H(p_j) - \angle_{\text{dep}} = (1 + 2l)180^\circ \end{aligned}$$

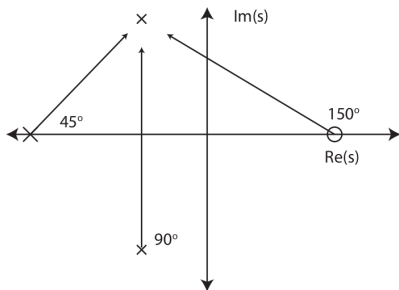
Angle of Departure

- ▶ **Angle of departure at a pole p :** $\angle_{\text{dep}} = \underline{\angle G(p)H(p)} + 180^\circ$
- ▶ **Angle of departure at a pole p with multiplicity μ :**

$$\mu \angle_{\text{dep}} = \underline{\angle G(p)H(p)} + 180^\circ$$

- ▶ **Example:**

$$\begin{aligned}\angle_{\text{dep}} &= \underline{\angle G(p)H(p)} + 180^\circ \\ &= 150^\circ - 90^\circ - 45^\circ + 180^\circ = 195^\circ\end{aligned}$$



Angle of Departure: Example

- Consider:

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{s^2 + s + 1}{s^4 + 2s^3 + 3s^2 + 1s + 1}$$

- Poles:

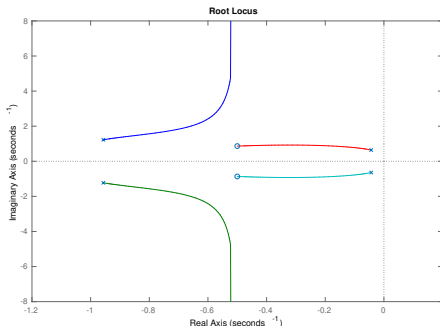
$$p_{1,2} = -0.96 \pm j1.23$$

$$p_{3,4} = -0.04 \pm j0.64$$

- Zeros: $z_{1,2} = -0.50 \pm j0.87$

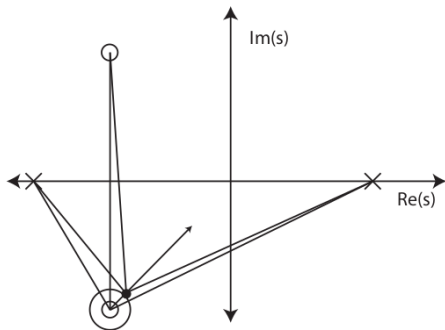
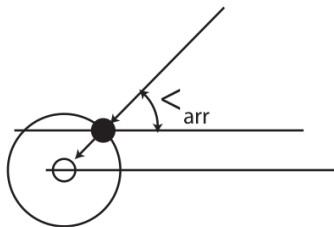
- Angle of departure at p_1 :

$$\begin{aligned}\angle_{\text{dep}} &= \angle G(p_1)H(p_1) + 180^\circ \\ &= \angle(p_1 - z_1) + \angle(p_1 - z_2) - \angle(p_1 - p_2) - \angle(p_1 - p_3) - \angle(p_1 - p_4) + 180^\circ \\ &\approx 141.5^\circ + 102.3^\circ - 90^\circ - 147.2^\circ - 116.0^\circ + 180^\circ \\ &= 70.6^\circ\end{aligned}$$



Angle of Arrival

- ▶ The root locus ends at the zeros of $G(s)H(s)$. At what angles does the root locus arrive at the zeros?
- ▶ To determine the arrival angle, look at a small region around a zero



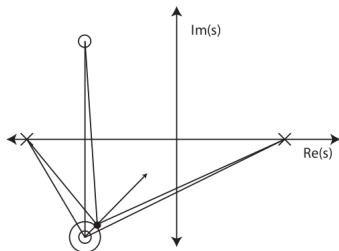
Angle of Arrival

- ▶ Phase condition:

$$\angle G(s)H(s) = \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (s - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (s - p_i) = (1 + 2l)180^\circ$$

- ▶ Consider s very close to a zero z_j :

- ▶ $\angle_{arr} = \angle (s - z_j)$
- ▶ $\angle (s - z_i) \approx \angle (z_j - z_i)$ for $i \neq j$
- ▶ $\angle (s - p_i) \approx \angle (z_j - p_i)$ for all i
- ▶ $\angle (z_j - z_j) = 0$



- ▶ **Angle of arrival** at z_j :

$$\begin{aligned} \angle G(s)H(s) &= \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (s - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (s - p_i) \\ &\approx \angle_{arr} + \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n} + \sum_{i=1}^m \angle (z_j - z_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \angle (z_j - p_i) \\ &= \angle_{arr} + \angle G(z_j)H(z_j) = (1 + 2l)180^\circ \end{aligned}$$

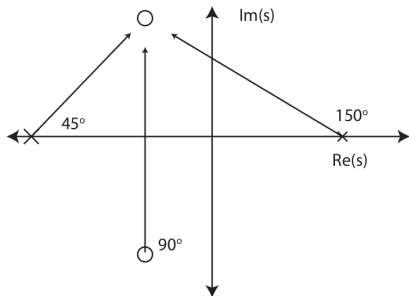
Angle of Arrival

- ▶ **Angle of arrival at a zero z :** $\angle_{arr} = 180^\circ - \underline{\angle G(z)H(z)}$
- ▶ **Angle of arrival at a zero z with multiplicity μ :**

$$\mu \angle_{arr} = 180^\circ - \underline{\angle G(z)H(z)}$$

- ▶ **Example:**

$$\begin{aligned}\angle_{arr} &= 180^\circ - \underline{\angle G(z)H(z)} \\ &= 180^\circ - 90^\circ + 45^\circ + 150^\circ = 285^\circ\end{aligned}$$



Positive Root Locus Summary

- ▶ **Positive root locus** of

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{b_m s^m + \cdots + b_1 s + b_0}{a_n s^n + \cdots + a_1 s + a_0} = \frac{b_m (s - z_1) \cdots (s - z_m)}{a_n (s - p_1) \cdots (s - p_n)}$$

- ▶ **Step 1:** determine the **departure and arrival points**
 - ▶ The departure points are at the n poles of $G(s)H(s)$ (where $k = 0$)
 - ▶ The arrival points are at the m zeros of $G(s)H(s)$ (where $k = \infty$)
- ▶ **Step 2:** determine the **real-axis root locus**
 - ▶ The positive root locus contains all points on the real axis that are to the left of an **odd** number of zeros or poles
- ▶ **Step 3:** The root locus is **symmetric** about the real axis and the axes of symmetry of the pole-zero configuration of $G(s)H(s)$

Positive Root Locus Summary

- ▶ **Step 4:** determine the $|n - m|$ **asymptotes** as $|s| \rightarrow \infty$
 - ▶ Centroid: $\alpha = \frac{1}{n-m} \left(\frac{b_{m-1}}{b_m} - \frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} \right) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i - \sum_{i=1}^m z_i}{n-m}$
 - ▶ Angles: $\theta_l = \frac{(1+2l)}{|n-m|} 180^\circ - \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n}, \quad l \in \{0, \dots, |n - m| - 1\}$
- ▶ **Step 5:** determine the **breakaway points** where the root locus leaves the real axis
 - ▶ The breakaway points s_b are roots of $\Delta(s) = a(s) + kb(s)$ with non-unity multiplicity such that:
 - ▶ $-\frac{a(s_b)}{b(s_b)} = k$ is a positive real number
 - ▶ $b(s_b) \frac{da}{ds}(s_b) - a(s_b) \frac{db}{ds}(s_b) = 0$
 - ▶ Arrival/departure angle at breakaway point of q root locus branches: $\theta = \frac{\pi}{q}$

Positive Root Locus Summary

▶ **Step 6:** determine the **complex pole/zero angle of departure/arrival**

- ▶ Departure angle: if s is close to a pole p with multiplicity μ :

$$\angle G(s)H(s) \approx \angle G(p)H(p) - \mu\angle_{\text{dep}} = (1 + 2l)180^\circ \Rightarrow \mu\angle_{\text{dep}} = \angle G(p)H(p) + 180^\circ$$

- ▶ Arrival angle: if s is close to a zero z with multiplicity μ :

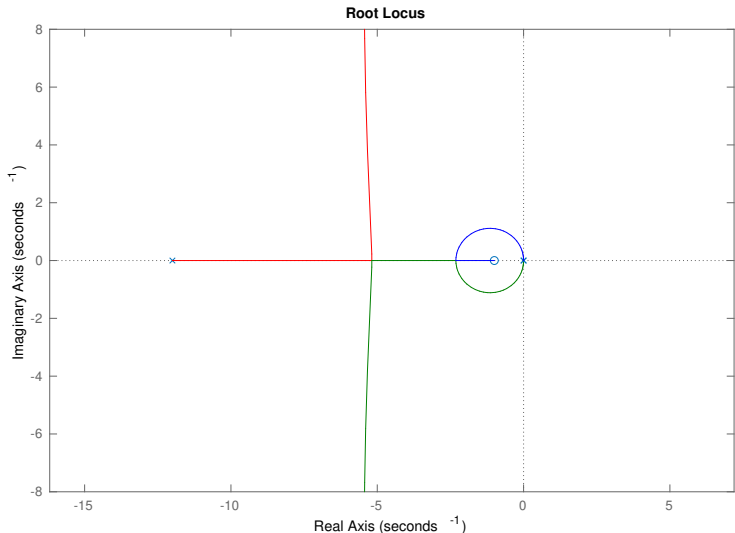
$$\angle G(s)H(s) \approx \angle G(z)H(z) + \mu\angle_{\text{arr}} = (1 + 2l)180^\circ \Rightarrow \mu\angle_{\text{arr}} = 180^\circ - \angle G(z)H(z)$$

▶ **Step 7:** determine **crossover points** where the root locus crosses the $j\omega$ axis

- ▶ A Routh table is used to obtain the auxiliary polynomial $A(s)$ and gain k
- ▶ The crossover points are the roots of $A(s) = 0$

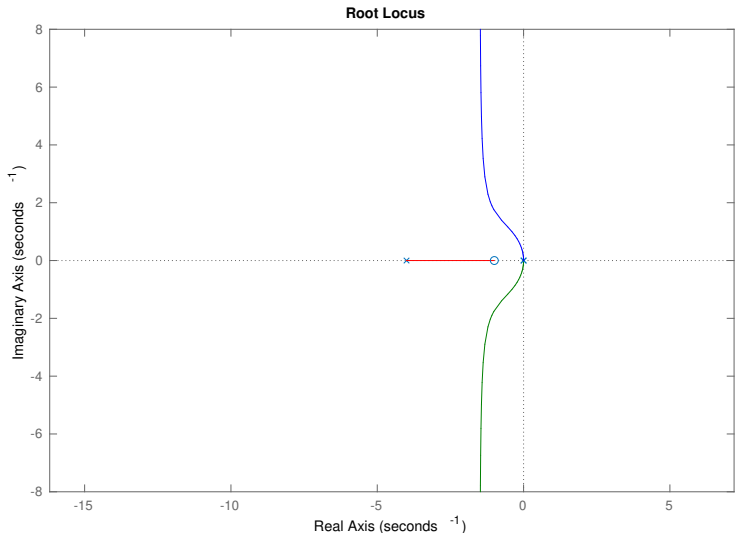
Positive Root Locus: Example 7

- Determine the positive root locus of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{s+1}{s^2(s+12)}$



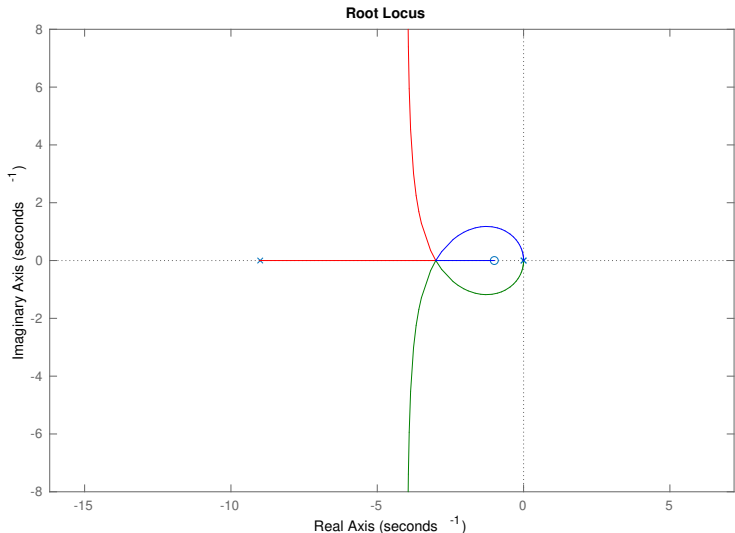
Positive Root Locus: Example 8

- Determine the positive root locus for $G(s)H(s) = \frac{s+1}{s^2(s+4)}$



Positive Root Locus: Example 9

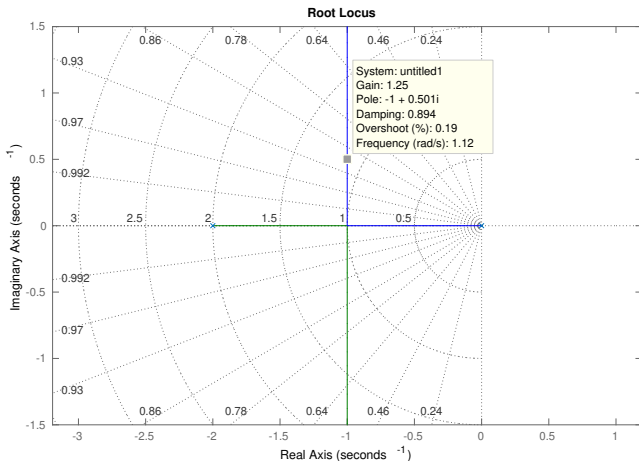
- Determine the positive root locus for $G(s)H(s) = \frac{s+1}{s^2(s+9)}$



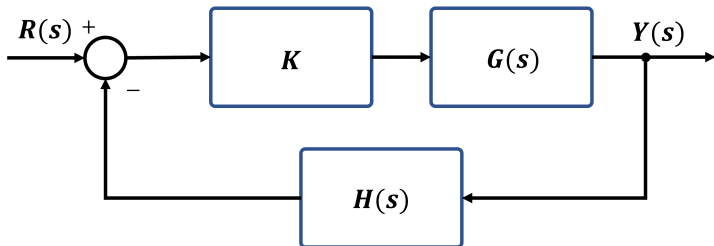
Positive Root Locus: Example 10

- Let $G(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s^2+2s}$. Find the gain k that results in the closed-loop system having a peak time of at most 2π seconds.

$$\frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}} \leq 2\pi \Rightarrow \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} \geq 0.5 \Rightarrow k \geq \left| 1 + j\frac{1}{2} \right| \left| -1 + j\frac{1}{2} \right| = 1.25$$



Positive Root Locus: Example 11



- ▶ Consider a feedback control system with:

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{s \left(\frac{s^2}{2600} + \frac{s}{26} + 1 \right)} \quad H(s) = \frac{1}{1 + 0.04s}$$

- ▶ Choose k to obtain a stable closed-loop system with percent overshoot of at most 20% and steady-state error to a step reference of at most 5%

Positive Root Locus: Example 11

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{65000}{s(s^2 + 100s + 2600)(s + 25)} = \frac{65000}{s^4 + 125s^3 + 5100s^2 + 65000s}$$

- ▶ **Poles** of $G(s)H(s)$: $p_1 = 0$, $p_2 = -25$, $p_{3,4} = -50 \pm j10$
- ▶ The positive root locus contains 4 **asymptotes** with:
 - ▶ angles: $\frac{\pi}{4}$, $\frac{3\pi}{4}$, $\frac{5\pi}{4}$, $\frac{7\pi}{4}$
 - ▶ centroid: $\alpha = -\frac{1}{4}(125) = -31.25$
- ▶ **Breakaway point**: should be to the right of $(p_1 + p_2)/2 = -12.5$ since the poles $p_{3,4} = -50 \pm j10$ repel the root locus branches

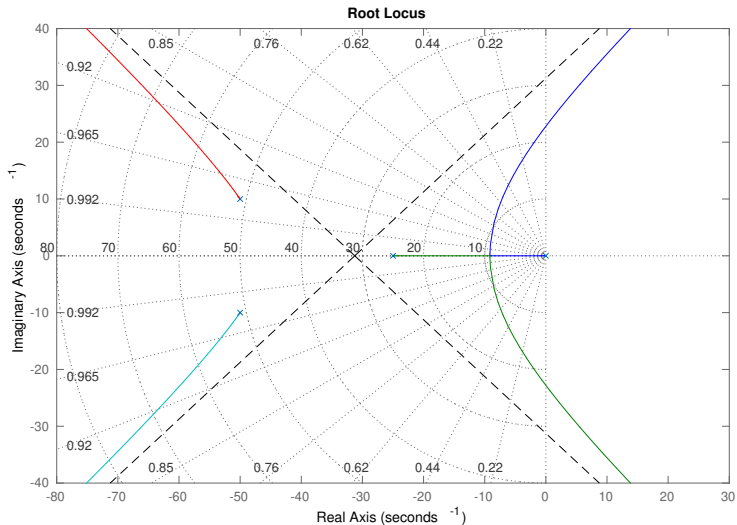
$$65000(4s^3 + 375s^2 + 10200s + 65000) = 0$$

- ▶ **Departure angle** at p_3 :

$$\begin{aligned}\angle_{\text{dep}} &= 180^\circ + \angle G(p_3)H(p_3) = 180^\circ - \angle p_3 - p_1 - \angle p_3 - p_2 - \angle p_3 - p_4 \\ &= 180^\circ - 168.7^\circ - 158.2^\circ - 90^\circ = -236.9^\circ \Rightarrow \angle_{\text{dep}} = 123.1^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Positive Root Locus: Example 11

- Positive root locus of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{65000}{s(s^2+100s+2600)(s+25)}$



Positive Root Locus: Example 11

- ▶ Closed-loop transfer function characteristic polynomial:

$$\Delta(s) = a(s) + kb(s) = s^4 + 125s^3 + 5100s^2 + 65000s + 65000k$$

- ▶ Routh-Hurwitz table:

s^4	1	5100	65000k
s^3	1	520	0
s^2	4580	65000k	0
s^1	$520 - \frac{3250}{229}k$	0	0
s^0	65000k	0	0

- ▶ Necessary and sufficient condition for **BIBO stability**: $520 - \frac{3250}{229}k > 0$ and $65000k > 0$:

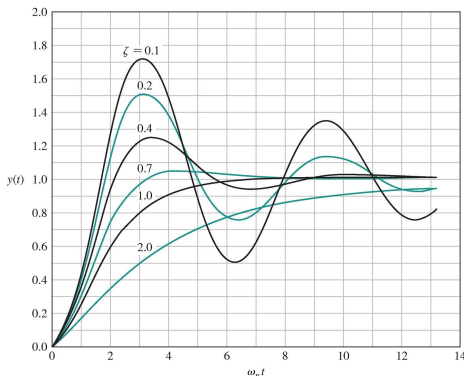
$$0 < k < \frac{916}{25} \approx 36.64$$

- ▶ Auxiliary polynomial at $k = 916/25$ and **crossover points**:

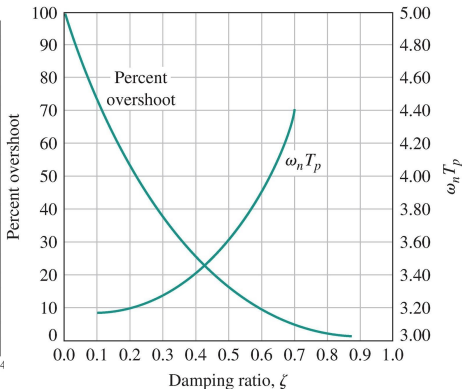
$$A(s) = s^2 + 520 \quad s_{1,2} = \pm j22.8$$

Positive Root Locus: Example 11

- ▶ Determine **dominant pole damping** to ensure percent overshoot $\leq 20\%$
- ▶ Pick a larger damping ratio, e.g., $\zeta \geq 0.5$, to ensure that the true fourth-order system satisfies the percent overshoot requirement



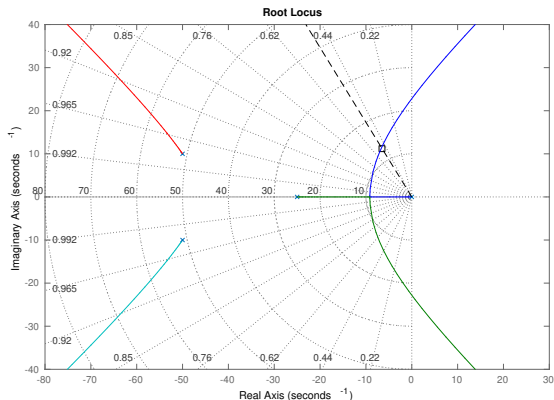
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Positive Root Locus: Example 11

- Determine the dominant pole locations for $\zeta = 0.5$: $s_{1,2} = -6.6 \pm j11.3$



- Use the magnitude condition to obtain k :

$$\frac{1}{k} = \frac{65000}{|s_1||s_1 + 25||s_1 + 50 - j10||s_1 + 50 + j10|} \Rightarrow k \approx 9.1$$

Positive Root Locus: Example 11

- ▶ To determine the other two closed-loop poles $s_{3,4} = -\sigma \pm j\omega$ at $k = 9.1$, use Vieta's formulas:

$$\sum_{i=1}^4 s_i = -2\sigma - 2(6.6) = -125 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sigma \approx 55.9$$

- ▶ The imaginary part of $s_{3,4} = -55.9 \pm j\omega$ can be obtained from the root locus plot: $\omega \approx 18$
- ▶ Closed-loop poles for $k \approx 9.1$:

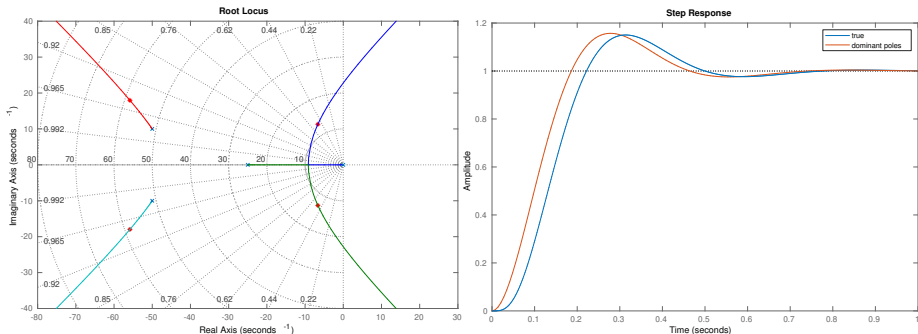
$$s_{1,2} \approx -6.6 \pm j11.3 \qquad s_{3,4} \approx -56 \pm j18$$

- ▶ The steady-state error to a step $R(s) = 1/s$ is:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sE(s) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s(R(s) - T(s)R(s)) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} (1 - T(s)) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta(s) - 65000k}{\Delta(s)} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{s^4 + 125s^3 + 5100s^2 + 65000s}{s^4 + 125s^3 + 5100s^2 + 65000s + 65000k} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Positive Root Locus: Example 11

- ▶ Final design with $k \approx 9.1$
- ▶ The closed-loop system is stable
- ▶ The percent overshoot is less than 20%
- ▶ The steady-state error to a step input is less than 5%



Outline

Root Locus Definition

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Negative Root Locus

Negative Root Locus Summary

- ▶ **Negative root locus:** set of points s in the complex plane such that:

- ▶ **Magnitude condition:** $|G(s)H(s)| = -\frac{1}{k}$ for $k \leq 0$

- ▶ **Phase condition:** $\angle G(s)H(s) = (2l)180^\circ$, where l is any integer

- ▶ Negative root locus construction procedure for

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{b_m s^m + \cdots + b_1 s + b_0}{a_n s^n + \cdots + a_1 s + a_0} = \kappa \frac{(s - z_1) \cdots (s - z_m)}{(s - p_1) \cdots (s - p_n)}$$

- ▶ **Step 1:** determine the **departure and arrival points**

- ▶ The departure points are at the n poles of $G(s)H(s)$ (where $k = 0$)

- ▶ The arrival points are at the m zeros of $G(s)H(s)$ (where $k = -\infty$)

Negative Root Locus Summary

- ▶ **Step 2:** determine the **real-axis root locus**
 - ▶ The negative root locus contains all points on the real axis that are to the left of an **even** number of zeros or poles
- ▶ **Step 3:** The root locus is **symmetric** about the real axis and the axes of symmetry of the pole-zero configuration of $G(s)H(s)$
- ▶ **Step 4:** determine the $|n - m|$ **asymptotes** as $|s| \rightarrow \infty$
 - ▶ Centroid: $\alpha = \frac{1}{n-m} \left(\frac{b_{m-1}}{b_m} - \frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} \right) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i - \sum_{i=1}^m z_i}{n-m}$
 - ▶ Angles: $\theta_l = \frac{2l}{|n-m|} 180^\circ - \angle \frac{b_m}{a_n}$, $l \in \{0, \dots, |n - m| - 1\}$
- ▶ **Step 5:** determine the **breakaway points**
 - ▶ The breakaway points s_b are roots of $\Delta(s) = a(s) + kb(s)$ with non-unity multiplicity such that:
 - ▶ $\frac{a(s_b)}{b(s_b)} = -k$ is a positive real number
 - ▶ $b(s_b) \frac{da}{ds}(s_b) - a(s_b) \frac{db}{ds}(s_b) = 0$
 - ▶ Arrival/departure angle at breakaway point of q root locus branches: $\theta = \frac{\pi}{q}$

Negative Root Locus Summary

▶ **Step 6:** determine the **complex pole/zero angle of departure/arrival**

- ▶ Departure angle: if s is close to a pole p with multiplicity μ :

$$\underline{\angle G(s)H(s)} \approx \underline{\angle G(p)H(p)} - \mu\angle_{\text{dep}} = (2l)180^\circ \Rightarrow \mu\angle_{\text{dep}} = \underline{\angle G(p)H(p)}$$

- ▶ Arrival angle: if s is close to a zero z with multiplicity μ :

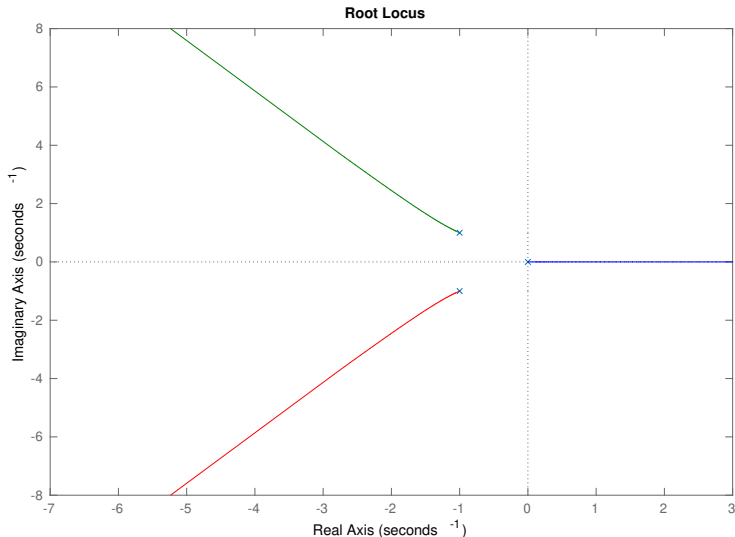
$$\underline{\angle G(s)H(s)} \approx \underline{\angle G(z)H(z)} + \mu\angle_{\text{arr}} = (2l)180^\circ \Rightarrow \mu\angle_{\text{arr}} = -\underline{\angle G(z)H(z)}$$

▶ **Step 7:** determine **crossover points** where the root locus crosses the $j\omega$ axis

- ▶ A Routh table is used to obtain the auxiliary polynomial $A(s)$ and gain k
- ▶ The crossover points are the roots of $A(s) = 0$

Negative Root Locus: Example

- Determine the negative root locus of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s((s+1)^2+1)}$



Negative Root Locus: Example

- ▶ Determine the complete (positive and negative) root locus of $G(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s((s+1)^2+1)}$

