# Homework #12: ECE 461/661

Bode Plots. Nichols charts and gain & lead compensation. Due Monday, November 27th

## **Bode Plots**



1) Determine the system, G(s), with the following gain vs. frequency

Start by drawing in the asymptotes with slopes multiples of 20dB / decade

• Each corner indicates a pole



This gives

$$G(s) = \left(\frac{k}{(s+1.8)(s+7)(s+22)}\right)$$

Pick k to match the DC gain (10dB)

$$G(s) \approx \left(\frac{876.6}{(s+1.8)(s+7)(s+22)}\right)$$

so

$$gain = 10^{dB/20}$$
$$10dB = 10^{10/20} = 3.162$$
$$\left(\frac{k}{(s+1.8)(s+7)(s+22)}\right)_{s=0} = 3.162$$
$$k = 876.6$$





First, draw in the asymptotes at multiples of 20dB/decade



Two zeros at s = 0 (left of 0.1)

Two poles at 0.61 rad/sec

Two poles at 19 rad/sec

$$\frac{1}{2\zeta} = +2dB = 1.259 \qquad \qquad \frac{1}{2\zeta} = +8dB = 2.512$$
  
$$\zeta = 0.397 \qquad \qquad \zeta = 0.199 \\ \theta = 66.6^{0} \qquad \qquad \theta = 78.5^{0}$$

So, G(s) is in the form of

,

$$G(s) = \left(\frac{ks^2}{\left((s+0.61 \angle \pm 66.6^0\right)\left(s+19 \angle \pm 78.5^0\right)}\right)$$

To find k, pick a frequency and match the gain. Setting the gain at 3 rad/sec = +9 dB

$$\left(\frac{ks^2}{\left(s+0.61 \neq \pm 66.6^0\right)\left(s+19 \neq \pm 78.5^0\right)}\right)_{s=j3} = +9dB = 2.818$$
  
k = 963.3

so

$$G(s) = \left(\frac{963.3s^2}{(s+0.61 \angle \pm 66.6^0)(s+19 \angle \pm 78.5^0)}\right)$$

# **Nichols Charts**

3) The gain vs. frequency of a system is measured

w (rad/sec)	2	3	4	5	6	10
Gain (dB)	7	3	-1	-6	-12	-17
Phase (deg)	-140	-155	-162	-175	-192	-210

Using this data

- Transfer it to a Nichols chart
- Determine the maximum gain that results in a stable system
- Determine the gain, k, that results in a maximum closed-loop gain of Mm = 1.5

Use the function Nichols2.m

Compute G(jw) as a complex number

```
>> dB = [7,3,-1,-6,-12,-17]';
>> deg = [-140,-155,-162,-175,-192,-210]';
>> G = 10.^(dB/20) .* exp(j*deg*pi/180)
-1.7150 - 1.4390i
-1.2802 - 0.5970i
-0.8476 - 0.2754i
-0.4993 - 0.0437i
-0.2457 + 0.0522i
-0.1223 + 0.0706i
```

#### Plot on a Nichols chart along with the M-circle

```
>> Nichols2(G,1.5)
```



Adjust the gain so that

- It passes through (0dB, 180 degrees)
  - max gain for stability
- It is tangent to the M-circle

(several guesses later...)

>> Nichols2(G \* [1,2.5,0.45],1.5);
>> grid
>>

## Max gain for stability: k = 2.5

## Gain for Mm = 1.5: k = 0.45



#### funciton Nichols2.m

```
function [Mol] = Nichols2(Gw, Mm)
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Gwp = unwrap(angle(Gw))*180/pi;
Gwm = 20*log10(abs(Gw));
```

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% M-Circle
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phase = [0:0.01:1]' * 2*pi;
Mcl = Mm * exp(j*phase);
Mol = Mcl ./ (1 - Mcl);
Mp = unwrap(angle(Mol))*180/pi - 360;
Mm = 20*log10(abs(Mol));
plot(Gwp,Gwm,'b',Mp,Mm,'r');
xlabel('Phase (degrees)');
ylabel('Gain (dB)');
xlim([-220,-120]);
ylim([-30,20]);
end
```

#### Gain and Lead Compensation

Problem 4 & 5) Assume

$$G(s) = \left(\frac{9111}{s(s+9.02)(s+23.95)(s+44.67)}\right)$$

4) Design a gain compensator that results in a 40 degree phase margin.

• Check the resulting step response in Matlab

Translation: Pick k so that at some frequency

$$G(j\omega) \cdot k = 1 \angle -140^{\circ}$$

Step 1: Determine the frequency where the phase is -140 degrees

(numeric solution: search until the angle addds up)

$$G(j5.338) = 0.1475 \angle -140^{\circ}$$

Step 2: Pick k to make the gain one at this frequency

$$k = \frac{1}{0.1475} = 6.7795$$

Check in Matlab. Note:

40 degree phase margin means

$$M_m \approx \left(\frac{1 \angle -140^0}{1 + 1 \angle -140^0}\right) = 1.4619$$
$$M_m = \frac{1}{2\zeta\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$$
$$\zeta = 0.3678$$
$$OS = \exp\left(\frac{-\pi\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}\right) = 28.86\%$$

In Matlab:

>> G = zpk([],[0,-9.02,-23.95,-44.67],9111)

```
9111
s (s+9.02) (s+23.95) (s+44.67)
>> k = 6.7795;
>> Gcl = minreal(G*k / (1+G*k));
>> t = [0:0.01:10]';
>> y = step(Gcl, t);
>> max(y)
ans = 1.3019
```

The actual system has 30.19% overshoot

- Calculated was 28.86%
- Designing for phase margin is usually a little aggressive
- (you intersect the M-circle rather than being tangent to it)

This shows up on the Nichols chart (not required)

```
>> w = logspace(-2,2,200)';
>> Gw = Bode2(G,w);
>> Nichols2(Gw*6.7795, 1.4619);
>> grid
>> ylim([-15,15])
```



G(jw) intersects the M-circle at 0dB (what you get when you design for a phase margin)

The step response has 30% overshoot (close to the design of 28%)

```
>> plot(t,y)
>> xlim([0,3])
>> grid
>>
```



- 5) Design a lead compensator that results in a 40 degree phase margin.
  - Check the resulting step response in Matlab

$$G(s) = \left(\frac{9111}{s(s+9.02)(s+23.95)(s+44.67)}\right)$$

The frequency that is too close to -1 is 5.338 rad/sec (problem #4

- Pick the zero to be 1..3 times this frequency
- Pick the zero to cancel the pole at -9.02 (within this range)
- Replace it with a pole at -90

$$K(s) = k \left(\frac{s+9.02}{s+90}\right)$$
$$GK = \left(\frac{9111}{s(s+23.95)(s+44.67)(s+90)}\right)$$

Search along the jw axis until the angle adds up to -140 degrees

$$GK(j12.2028) = 0.0066 \angle -140^{\circ}$$

Pick k to make the gain one

$$k = \frac{1}{0.0066} = 151.41$$

so

$$K(s) = 151.41 \left(\frac{s+9.02}{s+90}\right)$$

Checking in Matlab:

>> K = zpk(-9.02,-90,151.41)

The system has 30.56% overshoot

• expected is 28%



Sidelight: The overshoot is a little high since you intersect the M-circle rather than being tangent to it

```
>> Gw = Bode2(G*K, w);
>> Nichols2(Gw, 1.4619);
>> grid
>> ylim([-15,15])
```



G(jw) intersects the M-circle at 0dB (what you get when you design for a phase margin)

Problem 6 & 7) Assume a 200ms delay is added

$$G(s) = \left(\frac{9111}{s(s+9.02)(s+23.95)(s+44.67)}\right) e^{-0.2s}$$

6) Design a gain compensator that results in a 40 degree phase margin.

• Check the resulting step response in Matlab

Same as before: Search along the jw axis until the phase is -140 degrees

$$G(j2.3430) = 0.3876 \angle -140^{\circ}$$

Pick k to make the gain one

$$k = \frac{1}{0.3876} = 2.5798$$

Checking in Matlab:

Use a 4th-order Pade approximation for the delay

The overshoot is a little high (34.68%)



Sidelight: Again, the overshoot is a little high due to intersecting with the M-circle rather than being tangent to it.

```
>> Gw = Bode2(G*Delay*k, w);
>> Nichols2(Gw, 1.4619);
>> grid
```



G(jw) intersects the M-circle at 0dB (what you get when you design for a phase margin)

7) Design a lead compensator that results in a 40 degree phase margin.

• Check the resulting step response in Matlab

The frequency that's too close to -1 is 2.34 rad/sec

• Pick the zero to be 1..3 times this frequency

Place the zero at s = -3

$$K(s) = k \left(\frac{s+3}{s+30}\right)$$
$$GK = \left(\frac{9111}{s(s+9.02)(s+23.95)(s+44.67)}\right) e^{-0.2s} \left(\frac{k(s+3)}{s+30}\right)$$

Find the frequency where the phase of GK is -140 degrees

 $GK(j4.7035) = 0.0319 \angle -140^{\circ}$ 

Pick k to make the gain one

$$k = \frac{1}{0.0319} = 31.3383$$

so

$$K(s) = 31.3383 \left(\frac{s+3}{s+30}\right)$$

Checking in Matlab



Note: The overshoot is too much - due to intersecting the M-circle. In this case, the slope of G(jw) is more flat, resulting in the actual resonance being a lot more than it should be

```
>> Gw = Bode2(G*Delay*K, w);
>> Nichols2(Gw, 1.4619);
>> ylim([-15,15])
>> grid
>>
```

Designing for a phase margin usually is about the same as designing for Mm. In this case, it's a little too aggressive:



G(jw) intersects the M-circle at 0dB (what you get when you design for a phase margin)