# Process Control Frequency Response

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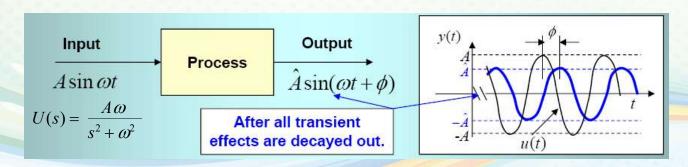
#### Introduction

- Frequency response concepts and techniques play an important role in
  - 1. Stability analysis
  - 2. Control system design
  - 3. Robustness assessment

# Frequency Response

#### Definition of frequency response

• For a linear system: the ultimate output response of a process for a sinusoidal input of certain frequency will show amplitude change and phase shift at the same frequency depending on the process characteristics.



- Amplitude ratio (AR): attenuation of amplitude,  $AR = \frac{\hat{A}}{A}$
- Phase angle (φ): phase shift compared to input
- These two quantities are function of frequency.

#### Definition of frequency response

•  $Input: u(t) = Asin(\omega t)$ 

$$L(u(t)) \to U(s) = \frac{A\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

Ultímate Output:

$$y_{\infty}(t) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{KA}{\omega^{2}\tau^{2} + 1} (\omega \tau e^{-t/\tau} - \omega \tau \cos \omega t + \sin \omega t)$$

$$= \frac{KA}{\omega^{2}\tau^{2} + 1} (-\omega \tau \cos \omega t + \sin \omega t)$$

$$= \frac{KA}{\sqrt{\omega^{2}\tau^{2} + 1}} \sin(\omega t + \phi) \qquad (\phi = -\tan^{-1} \omega \tau)$$
Phase angle

Amplitude

Chapter 5

$$Y(s) = G(s) \frac{A\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2} \to y(t) = L^{-1}[Y(s)]$$

**Ultimate Output (frequency response):** 

$$y(t \to \infty) = \hat{A}sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

- $AR = \hat{A}/A$  is the normalized amplitude ratio
- $\phi$  is the phase angle (PA) or response angle (RA)
- AR and  $\phi$  are functions of  $\omega$ .

#### Getting frequency response

- Without calculating transient response Y(t), the frequency response can be obtained directly as follows:
- ✓ For a given transfer function G(s) let:

$$s = j\omega \qquad G(j\omega) = K_1 + K_2 j \qquad j = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$|G| = AR = \sqrt{K_1^2 + K_2^2}$$

$$\phi = \angle G = \arctan \frac{K_2}{K_1}$$

Note that unstable transfer function (TF) does not have a frequency response because a sinusoidal input produces an unstable output response.

#### Getting frequency response

• For transfer function of the form:

$$G = G_1, G_2, G_3$$

$$|G| = |G_1|, |G_2|, |G_3|$$

$$log|G| = log|G_1| + log|G_2| + log|G_3|$$

$$\angle G = \angle G_1 + \angle G_2 + \angle G_3$$

• For transfer function of the form:

$$G = \frac{G_1}{G_2}$$

$$|G| = \frac{|G_1|}{|G_2|}$$

$$log|G| = log|G_1| - log|G_2|$$

$$\angle G = \angle G_1 - \angle G_2$$

#### Getting frequency response

• *In general for the transfer function of the form:* 

$$G(s) = \frac{G_a(s)G_b(s)G_c(s) \dots \dots}{G_1(s)G_2(s)G_3(s) \dots \dots}$$

$$G(j\omega) = \frac{G_a(j\omega)G_b(j\omega)G_c(j\omega)\dots\dots}{G_1(j\omega)G_2(j\omega)G_3(j\omega)\dots\dots}$$

$$|G(j\omega)| = \frac{|G_a(j\omega)||G_b(j\omega)||G_c(j\omega)|\dots\dots}{|G_1(j\omega)||G_2(j\omega)||G_3(j\omega)|\dots\dots}$$

#### Example:

First order transfer function:  $G(s) = \frac{1}{\tau s + 1}$ 

$$G(j\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + \tau j\omega} \cdot \frac{1 - \tau j\omega}{1 - \tau j\omega}$$

$$G(j\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2} - \frac{\tau \omega}{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2} j$$

$$|G| = AR = \sqrt{K_1^2 + K_2^2} \rightarrow |G| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2}}$$

$$\phi = \angle G = \arctan \frac{K_2}{K_1} \rightarrow \phi = -\arctan(\omega \tau)$$

$$as \omega \rightarrow \infty, \phi \rightarrow -90^{\circ}$$

# Bode diagram

Bode plots show the frequency response, that is, the changes in magnitude and phase as a function of frequency.

- Bode diagram is a plot of:
  - log AR vs. log(ω) or log(τω) → log-log plot
  - φ vs. log ω or log(τω) → semí-log plot
- Bode diagram is useful to
  - ✓ Illustrate frequency response characteristics.
  - ✓ Design and analyze the stability of the closed-loop system.

# Example 1

Draw Bode diagram for first-order t TF

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

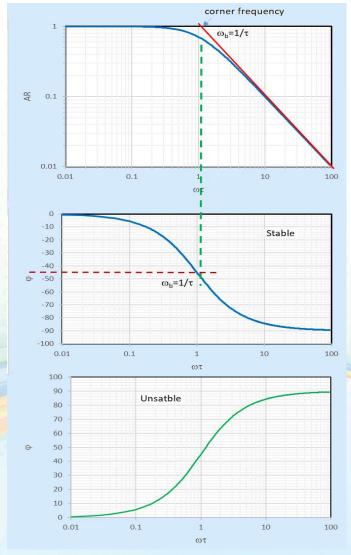
$$|G| = AR = \frac{K}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2}}$$

The normalized amplitude ratio  $AR_N$  is:

$$AR_N = \frac{AR}{K} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2}}$$

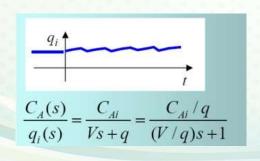
$$\phi = -\arctan(\omega \tau)$$

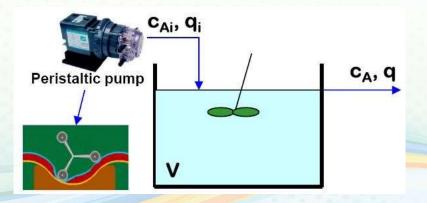
$$as \ \omega \to \infty, \phi \to -90^{\circ}$$



## Example 2

If a feed is pumped by 3 plades peristaltic pump to a CSTR. The rpm of the peristaltic pump is 10 rpm. V=50 cm<sup>3</sup>, the time-averaged feed flow rate is 94 cm<sup>3</sup>/min. Will  $\pm$  5% fluctuation in the feed flow appear in the output?





- Process average-time constant:  $\tau = \frac{V}{q} = \frac{50}{94} = 0.53min$
- Input frequency;  $\omega = 2\pi P = 2\pi \times rpm \times 3 \leftarrow 3$  plades = 188.6 rad/min  $\omega \tau = 100$  rad

- From first-order transfer function Bode diagram at  $\omega \tau = 100 \text{ rad}$ :
- $AR_N(normalized\ amplitude\ ratio) = 0.01$ ;  $\phi = -90^\circ = -\frac{\pi}{2}$   $u(t) = q_i \bar{q}_i + Asin(188.6\ t) \rightarrow U(t) = Asin(188.6\ t)$   $C_A(t \rightarrow \infty) = \hat{A}sin\left(188.6\ t \frac{\pi}{t}\right); \ \hat{A} = (AR)A$

$$c_A(t \to \infty) = \bar{c}_A + \hat{A}sin\left(188.6 t - \frac{\pi}{t}\right)$$

• For fluctuation in  $q_i$  of  $U(t) = \pm 5\%$  of nominal flow rate, the fluctuation in the output concentration will be about

$$C_A = AR \times U(t) = \pm 5\% \times 0.01 = \pm 0.05\%$$

which is almost unnoticeable.

## Example 3:

Bode diagram of unstable pole TF:

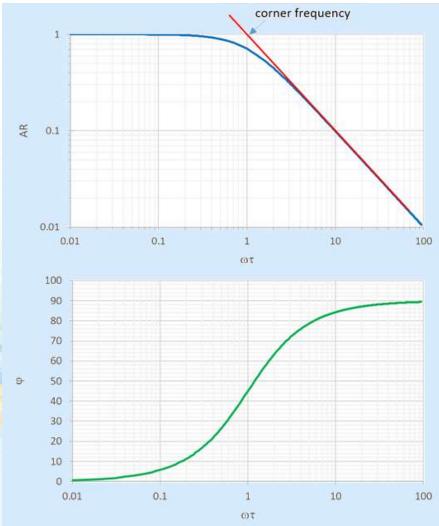
$$G(s) = \frac{1}{-\tau s + 1}$$

$$G(j\omega) = \frac{1}{1 - j\tau\omega} = \frac{1}{1 + \tau^2 \omega^2} (1 + j\tau\omega)$$

$$AR = |G(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \tau^2 \omega^2}}$$

$$\phi = \angle G(j\omega) = tan^{-1} \frac{Im(G(j\omega))}{Re(G(j\omega))} = tan^{-1}(\omega\tau)$$

- Note that for this unstable process, the phase angle is positive.
- The physical interpretation of frequency response is not valid for unstable systems, because a sinusoidal input produces an unbounded output response instead of a sinusoidal response.



# Example 4:

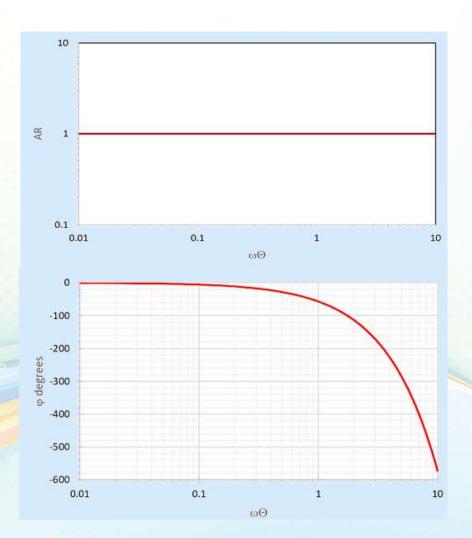
Bode diagram of pure time delay TF:

$$G(s) = e^{-\theta}$$

$$G(j\omega)=e^{-j\theta\omega}=\cos(\theta\omega)-j\sin(\theta\omega)$$

$$AR = |G(j\omega)| = 1$$

$$\phi = \measuredangle G(j\omega) = tan^{-1}tan(\theta\omega) = -\theta\omega$$



## Example 5:

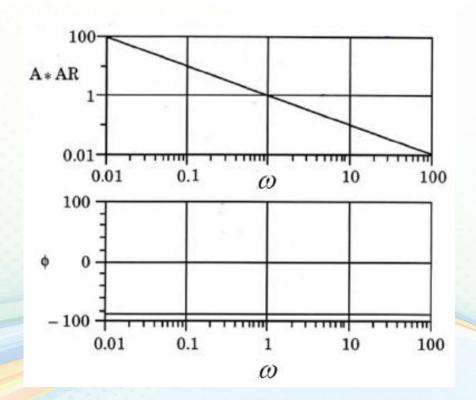
Bode diagram of integrating TF:

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{As}$$

$$G(j\omega) = \frac{1}{jA\omega} = -\frac{1}{A\omega}j$$

$$AR = |G(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{A\omega}$$

$$\phi = \angle G(j\omega) = tan^{-1} \left( -\frac{1}{0.\omega} \right) = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$



# Example 6:

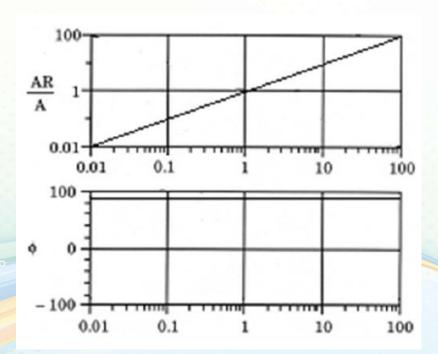
## Bode diagram of differentiator TF:

$$G(s) = As$$

$$G(j\omega) = jA\omega$$

$$AR = |G(j\omega)| = A\omega$$

$$\phi = \angle G(j\omega) = tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{0.\omega}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$



# Example 7:

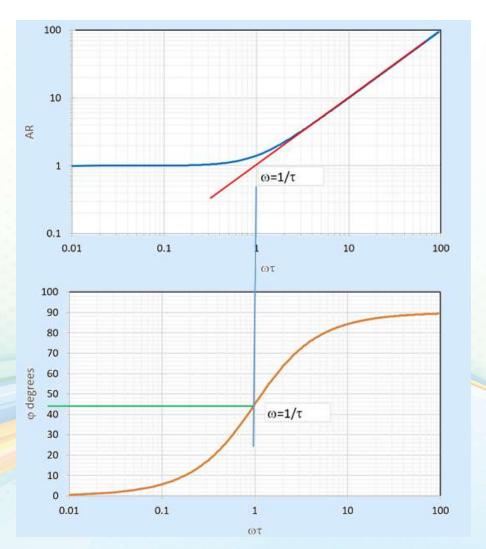
Draw Bode diagram for zero lead (lag) TF:

$$G(s) = \tau s + 1$$

$$G(j\omega) = 1 + j\omega\tau$$

$$AR = |G(j\omega)| = \sqrt{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2}$$

$$\phi = \angle G(j\omega) = tan^{-1}(\omega\tau)$$



## Example 8:

Draw Bode diagram for second-order TF:

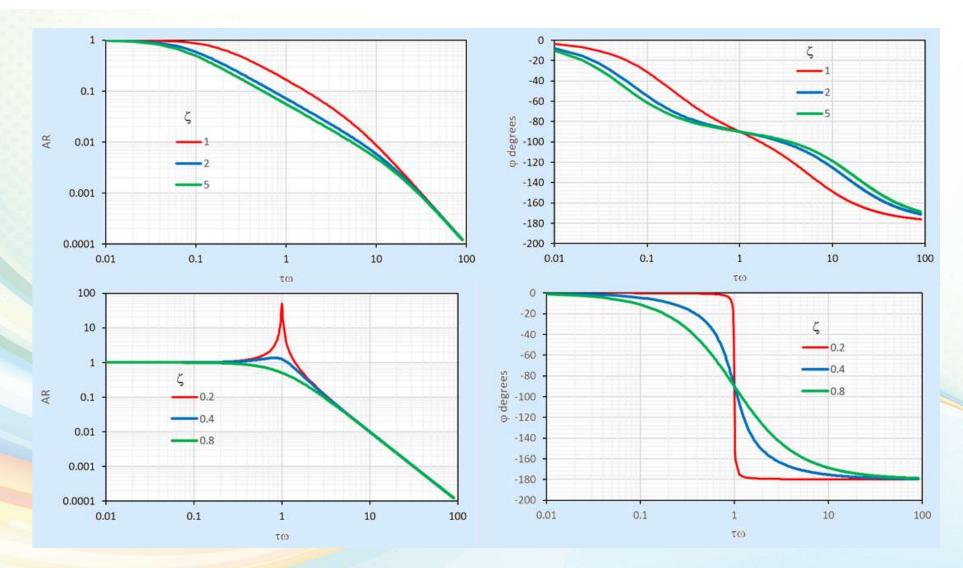
$$G(s) = \frac{K}{(\tau^2 s^2 + 2\xi \tau s)}$$

$$G(j\omega) = \frac{K}{(1 - \tau^2 \omega^2) + 2j\xi \tau \omega}$$

$$AR = |G(j\omega)| = \frac{K}{\sqrt{(1 - \tau^2 \omega^2)^2 + (2j\xi\tau\omega)^2}}$$

$$\phi = \angle G(j\omega) = tan^{-1} \frac{Im(G(j\omega))}{Re(G(j\omega))}$$

$$= tan^{-1} \frac{2\xi\tau\omega}{(1-\tau^2\omega^2)}$$



#### Example 9:

Bode diagram of a process with TF:

$$G(s) = \frac{5(0.5s+1)e^{-0.5s}}{(20s+1)(4s+1)}$$

$$G(s) = 5G_1(s)G_2(s)G_3(s)G_4(s)$$

$$G_1(s)=0.5s+1 \rightarrow |G_1|=\sqrt{1+0.25\omega^2}$$
;  $\phi_1=tan^{-1}(0.25\omega) \rightarrow Zero\ lead\ TF$ 

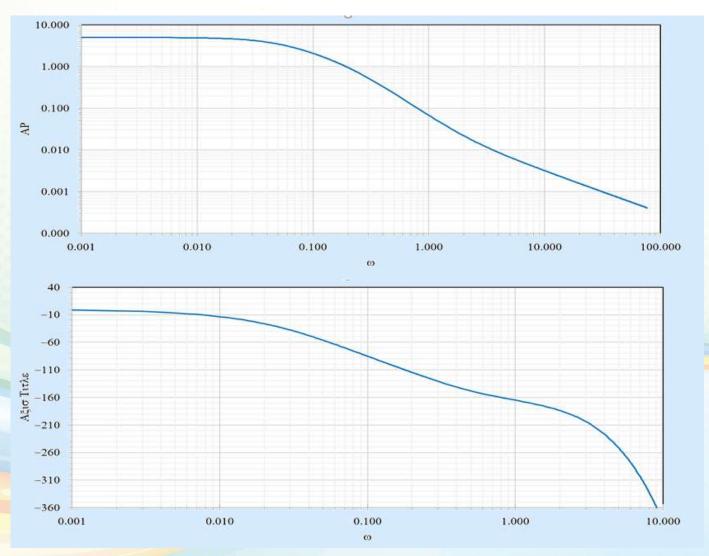
$$G_2(s) = e^{-0.5s} \rightarrow |G_2| = 1$$
;  $\phi_2 = -0.5\omega \rightarrow Pure\ delay\ TF$ 

$$G_3(s) = \frac{1}{20s+1} \rightarrow |G_3| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+400}}; \phi_3 = -tan^{-1}(20\omega) \rightarrow 1st - order TF$$

$$G_4(s) = \frac{1}{4s+1} \rightarrow |G_4| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+16\omega^2}}; \phi_4 = -tan^{-1}(4\omega) \rightarrow 1st - order TF$$

$$AR = |G_1||G_2||G_3||G_4| = 5\sqrt{\frac{1 + 0.25\omega^2}{(1 + 400\omega^2)(1 + 16\omega^2)}}$$

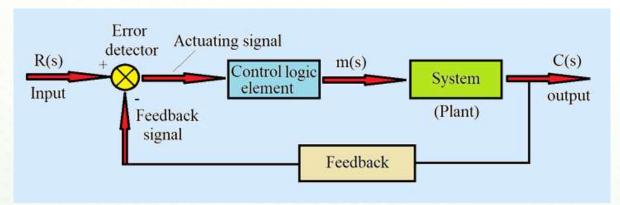
$$\phi = \phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3 + \phi_4 = tan^{-1}(0.25\omega) - 0.5\omega - tan^{-1}(20\omega) - tan^{-1}(4\omega)$$



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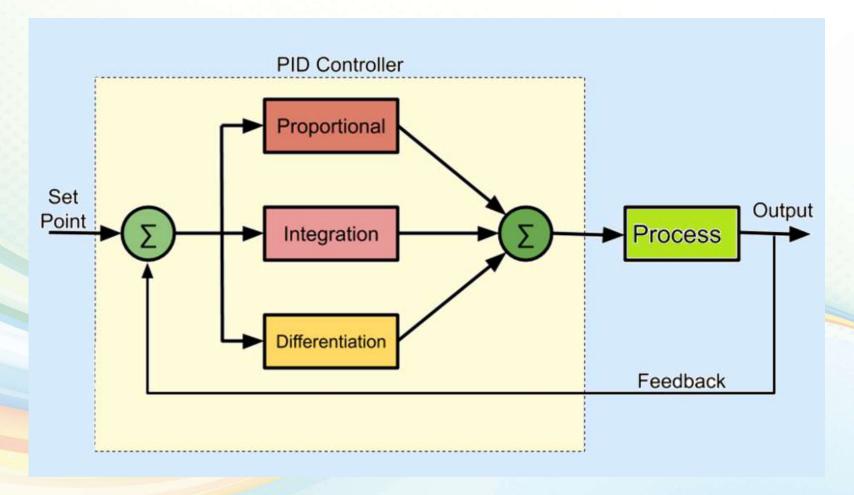
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#### Controllers



- 1- Proportional,  $G(s) = K_p$
- 2- Integral Controller,  $G(s) = \frac{K_I}{s}$
- 3- Proportional Integral,  $G(s) = K_p + \frac{K_I}{s}$
- 4- Derivative Controller,  $G(s) = K_D s$
- 5- Proportional derivative,  $G(s) = K_p + K_D s$
- 6- Proportional Integral Derivative,  $G(s) = K_p + \frac{K_I}{s} + K_D s$

# Controllers



# Frequency response characterístics of controllers

A. Proportional Controller

$$G_c = K_c$$
  $\therefore AR = |K_c|, \quad \phi = 0$ 

B. PI Controller

$$G_c = K_c \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\tau_I s} \right)$$

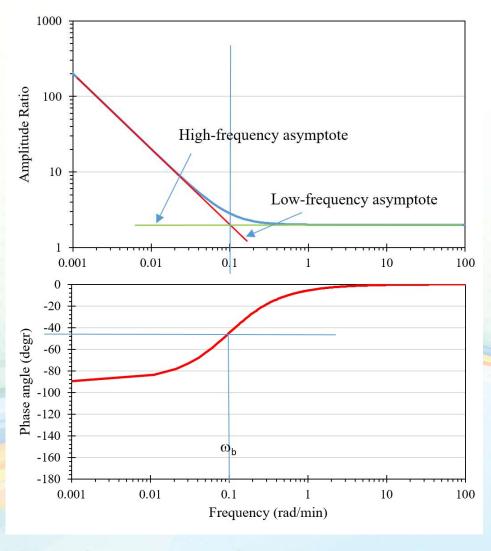
$$AR = K_c \sqrt{\frac{1}{\omega^2 \tau_I^2} + 1}$$

$$\phi = tan^{-1} \left( -\frac{1}{\tau_I \omega} \right) = tan^{-1} (\tau_I \omega) - 90^\circ$$

The Bode plot for a PI controller is shown in next slide.

*Note:* 
$$\omega_b = \frac{1}{\tau_b}$$

$$G_c(s) = 2\left(1 + \frac{1}{10s}\right)$$



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C. Ideal PD Controller:  $G(s) = K_c(1 + \tau_D s)$ 

$$AR = K_c \sqrt{(\omega \tau_D)^2 + 1}$$
  $\phi = tan^{-1}(\omega \tau_D)$ 

**D.** PD Controller with filter: 
$$G(s) = K_c \left( \frac{1 + \tau_D s}{1 + \alpha \tau_D s} \right)$$

E. Ideal (Parallel) PID Controller: 
$$G(s) = K_c \left(1 + \frac{1}{\tau_I s} + \tau_D s\right)$$

- F. Actual (Series) PID Controller without filter:  $G(s) = K_c \left(\frac{1+\tau_I s}{\tau_I s}\right) (\tau_D s + 1)$
- G. Actual Series PID Controller (Series PID Controller) with filter:

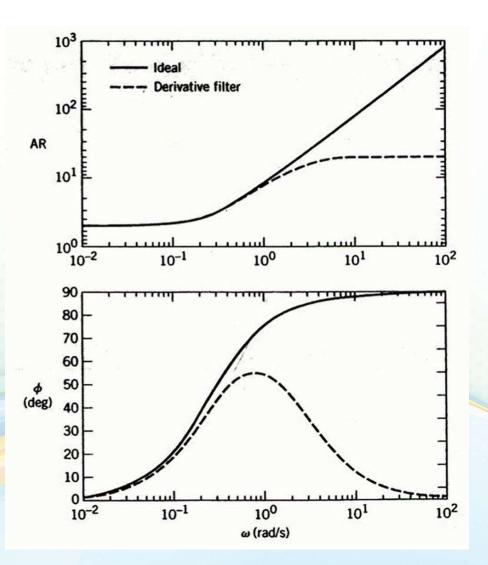
$$G(s) = K_c \left(\frac{1 + \tau_I s}{\tau_I s}\right) \left(\frac{\tau_D s + 1}{1 + \alpha \tau_D s}\right)$$

Bode plots of an ideal PD controller and a PD controller with derivative filter

*Ideal*: 
$$G_c(s) = 2(4s + 1)$$

With Derivative Filter:

$$G_c(s) = 2\left(\frac{4s+1}{0.4s+1}\right)$$

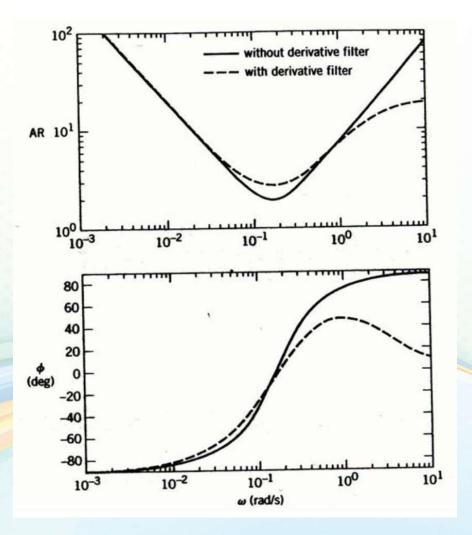


Bode plots of an ideal parallel PID controller and series PID controller with derivative filter  $(\alpha=1)$ 

Ideal parallel: 
$$G_c(s) = 2\left(1 + \frac{1}{10s} + 4s\right)$$

Series with Derivative Filter:

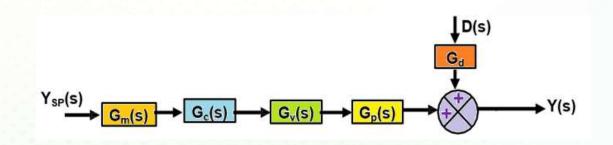
$$G_c(s) = 2\left(\frac{10s+1}{10s}\right)\left(\frac{4s+1}{0.4s+1}\right)$$

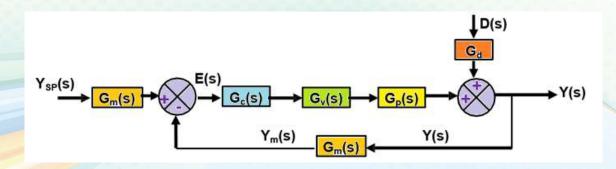


# Open and Closed Control System

### Types of control systems

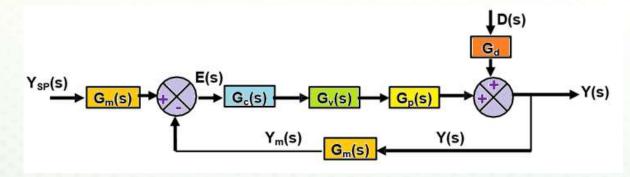
- 1- Open loop control system (non feedback system)
  - Output is directly controlled by input.
  - Does not have feedback system.
- 2- Closed loop control system
  - Output has an effect on the control action of the input.
  - Output is feedback to the input (feedback system)





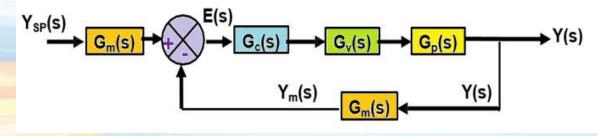
# Regulator problem:

Manipulate the system input to counteract the effects of disturbances.

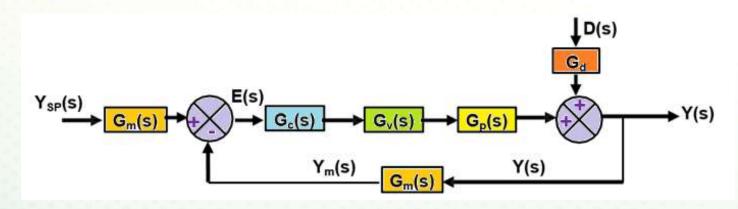


# Servo Problem (i.e. tracking problem):

Manipulate the system input to keep the output close to a given reference trajectory



# Stability of closed-loop frequency response (FR)



$$\frac{Y(s)}{Y_{SP}(s)} = \frac{G_{OL}}{1 + G_{OL}} \qquad \frac{Y(s)}{D(s)} = \frac{G_d}{1 + G_{OL}}$$

$$G_{OL} = G_m G_c G_v G_p$$

Characteristic equation: 
$$1 + G_{OL} = 0$$

$$Y_{SP}(s) = \frac{A\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$
 "Servo"

or

$$D(s) = \frac{A\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$
 "Regulatory"

# Stability of closed-loop frequency response

• Stability margins: as mentioned early the roots of closed-loop characteristic equation must be negative:

*Characteristic equation:* 
$$1 + G_{OL} = 0$$

- Thus, the margin values for stability of closed-loop system is determined from :  $G_{OL}(s) = -1 + 0j$
- This means that the stability margin value for amplitude ratio of the open-loop  $TF G_{OL}$  must be:

$$(AR_{OL})_{margin} = |G_{OL}(s)| = 1$$

and the corresponding stability margin value of phase angle of  $G_{OL}$  is:

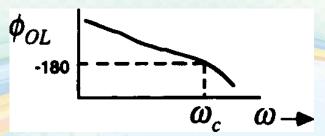
$$(\phi_{OL})_{margin} = tan^{-1} \left(\frac{0}{-1}\right) = -\pi$$

**Bode stability criterion:** A closed-loop frequency response (FR) is unstable if the  $G_{OL}$  has an amplitude ratio,  $AR_{OL}$ , greater than one at the critical frequency  $(\omega_c)$ . Otherwise the closed-loop system is stable:

$$AR_{OL}|_{\omega_c} < (AR_{OL})_{margin} = 1$$
  
 $\therefore If AR_{OL}|_{\omega_c} < 1 \rightarrow "stable FR"$ 

Where the critical frequency  $(\omega_c)$  is the value of  $\omega$  where the open-loop phase

angle is  $\phi_{OL} = -\pi$ 



 Bode stability criterion provides info on closed-loop stability from openloop frequency response information.

# Example:

A process has  $G_p = \frac{2}{(0.5s+1)^3}$ ,  $G_v = 0.1$ ,  $G_m = 10$ . All signals in the closed-loop control system are electrical and time is in minutes. A proportional controller is used, what is the ultimate controller gain,  $\mathcal{K}_{cu}$ , below which the frequency response is stable?

$$G_{OL} = G_v G_m G_c G_p = (0.1)(10)(K_c) \frac{2}{(0.5s+1)^3} = \frac{2K_c}{(0.5s+1)^3}$$

$$G_{OL} = 2K_cG_1G_2G_3$$

where 
$$G_1 = G_2 = G_3 = \frac{1}{0.5s+1}$$

$$|G_1| = |G_2| = |G_3| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \tau^2 \omega^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 0.25\omega^2}} \qquad \phi = \angle G(j\omega) = \tan^{-1} \frac{Im(G(j\omega))}{Re(G(j\omega))} = \tan^{-1}(\omega\tau)$$

$$\phi_1 = \phi_2 = \phi_3 = -tan^{-1}(\omega \tau) = -tan^{-1}(0.5\omega)$$

$$G(j\omega) = \frac{1}{1 - j\tau\omega} = \frac{1}{1 + \tau^2\omega^2} (1 + j\tau\omega)$$

$$AR = |G(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \tau^2\omega^2}}$$

$$\phi = \angle G(j\omega) = tan^{-1} \frac{Im(G(j\omega))}{Re(G(j\omega))} = tan^{-1}(\omega\tau)$$

$$AR_{OL} = 2K_c|G_1||G_2||G_3| = 2K_c \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 0.25\omega^2}}\right)^3 = 2K_c (1 + 0.25\omega^2)^{-1.5}$$

$$\phi_{OL} = \phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3 = -3tan^{-1}(0.5\omega)$$

• Let us find the critical frequency,  $\omega_c$ , at  $\phi_{0L} = -\pi$ 

$$-\pi = -3tan^{-1}(0.5\omega_c) \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{3} = tan^{-1}(0.5\omega_c) \Rightarrow \omega_c = 3.467 \ rad/min$$

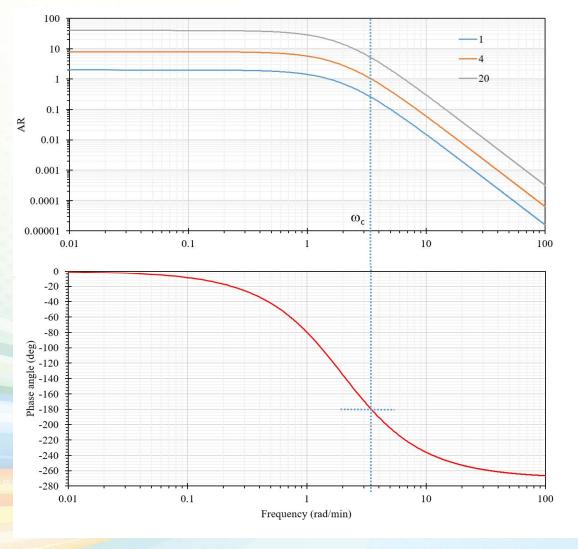
• The open-loop amplitude ratio,  $AR_{OL}$ , at this critical frequency, is:

$$AR_{OL|\omega_c} = 2K_c(1 + 0.25\omega_c^2)^{-1.5} = 0.25K_c$$

To achieve stable FR:

$$AR_{OL|\omega_c} < 1 \Rightarrow 0.25K_c < 1$$

$$\therefore K_c < 4 \rightarrow K_{cu} = 4$$



## Example:

A process has  $G_p = \frac{4e^{-s}}{5s+1}$ ,  $G_v = 2$ ,  $G_m = 0.25$ ,  $G_c = \mathcal{K}_c$ . All signals in the closed-loop control system are electrical and time is in minutes. Find the  $\mathcal{K}_{cu}$  of P controller for stable frequency response. Find the corresponding ultimate period of oscillation.

$$G_{OL} = G_v G_m G_c G_p = (2)(0.25)(K_c) \frac{4e^{-s}}{5s+1} = \frac{2K_c e^{-s}}{0.5s+1}$$

$$\mathcal{L}et G_{OL} = 2K_c G_1 G_2$$

where 
$$G_1 = e^{-s} \rightarrow |G_1| = 1$$
;  $\phi_1 = -\omega \rightarrow Pure\ delay\ TF$ 

$$G_2 = \frac{1}{5s+1} \to |G_2| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+25\omega^2}} \quad ; \phi_2 = -tan^{-1}(5\omega)$$

$$AR_{OL} = 2K_c|G_1||G_2| = \frac{2K_c}{\sqrt{1 + 0.25\omega^2}}$$
$$\phi_{OL} = \phi_1 + \phi_2 = -\omega - tan^{-1}(5\omega)$$

- Let us find the critical frequency,  $\omega_c$ , at  $\phi_{0L} = -\pi$ =  $-\omega - \tan^{-1}(5\omega)$
- Solve to obtain  $w_c = 1.69 \text{ rad/min}$

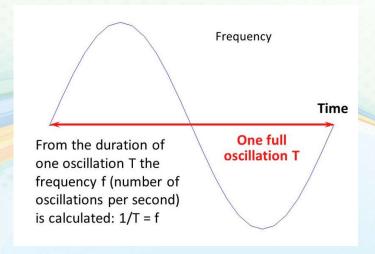
$$AR_{OL|\omega_c} = 2K_c(1 + 0.25\omega_c^2)^{-1.5} = 0.25K_c$$

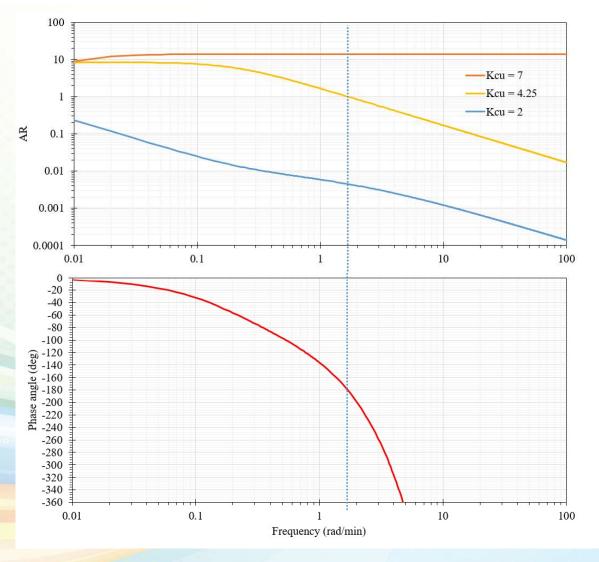
To achieve stable FR:

$$AR_{OL|\omega_c} = \frac{2K_c}{\sqrt{1 + 25\omega^2}} = \frac{2K_c}{\sqrt{1 + 25(1.69)^2}} = 0.235K_c$$
$$\therefore 0.235K_{cu} = 1 \to K_{cu} = 4.25$$

If  $K_{cu} < 4.25$  (stable)

*Ultimate period of oscillation:*  $P_{cu} = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_c} = \frac{2\pi}{1.69} = 3.72 \text{ min}$ 





## Proportional Gain and Phase Margins

• Gain Margin (GM): According to the Bode stability criterion,

$$AR_{OL}|_{\omega_c} < 1 \rightarrow GM = \frac{1}{AR_{OL}|_{\omega_c}} > 1$$

- Phase Margin(PM): Let  $\omega_g$  is the frequency at which  $AR_{OL} = 1.0$  and the corresponding phase angle is  $\phi_{OL|g}$ .
- According to the Bode stability criterion,

$$\phi_{OL|\omega c} = -180$$

When 
$$\phi_{OL|\omega c} > -180^{\circ} \rightarrow AR_{OL}|_{\omega_c} < 1$$

$$\phi_{OL|\omega_g} + 180^{\circ} > 180^{\circ} - 180^{\circ} \rightarrow \phi_{OL|\omega_g} + 180^{\circ} > 0$$

 $\phi_{OL|\omega_g} + 180^{\circ}$  Phase Margin

Thus, for stability PM > 0 and GM > 0

## Proportional Gain and Phase Margins

- The greater the Gain Margin (GM), the greater the stability of the system.
- The gain margin refers to the amount of gain, which can be increased or decreased without making the system unstable. It is usually expressed as a magnitude in dB.
- The greater the Phase Margin (PM), the greater will be the stability of the system.
- The phase margin refers to the amount of phase, which can be increased or decreased without making the system unstable. It is usually expressed as a phase in degrees.

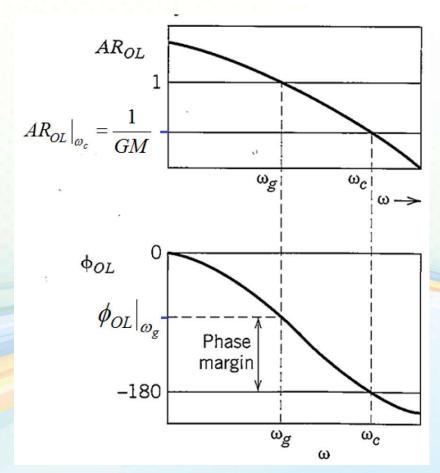
## Proportional Gain and Phase Margins

## Rules of thumb:

A well-designed FB control system will have:

 $1.7 \leq GM \leq 2.0$ 

 $30^{\circ} \leq PM \leq 45^{\circ}$ 



## Nyquist stability criterion

- The Nyquist stability criterion is similar to the Bode criterion in that it determines closed-loop stability from the open-loop frequency response characteristics.
- The Nyquist stability criterion is based on two concepts from complex variable theory, Contour Mapping and the Principle of the Argument.
- Nyquist Stability Criterion. Consider an open-loop transfer function  $G_{OL}(s)$  that is proper and has no unstable pole-zero cancellations. Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be the number of times that the Nyquist plot for  $G_{OL}(s)$  encircles the -1 point in the clockwise direction. Also let  $\mathcal{P}$  denote the number of poles of  $G_{OL}(s)$  that lie to the right of the imaginary axis. Then,  $Z = \mathcal{N} + \mathcal{P}$  where Z is the number of roots of the characteristic equation that lie to the right of the imaginary axis (that is, its number of "zeros").
- The closed-loop system is stable if and only if Z = 0.

## Some important properties of the Nyquist stability criterion

- 1. It provides a necessary and sufficient condition for closed-loop stability based on the open-loop transfer function.
- 2. The reason the -1 point is so important can be deduced from the characteristic equation,  $1 + G_{OL}(s) = 0$ . This equation can also be written as  $G_{OL}(s) = -1$ , which implies that  $AR_{OL} = 1$  and , as noted earlier. The -1 point is referred to as the critical point.
- 3. Most process control problems are open-loop stable. For these situations, P = 0 and thus Z = N. Consequently, the closed-loop system is unstable if the Nyquist plot for  $G_{OL}(s)$  encircles the -1 point, one or more times.
- 4. A negative value of N indicates that the -1 point is encircled in the opposite direction (counter-clockwise). This situation implies that each countercurrent encirclement can stabilize one unstable pole of the open-loop system o.

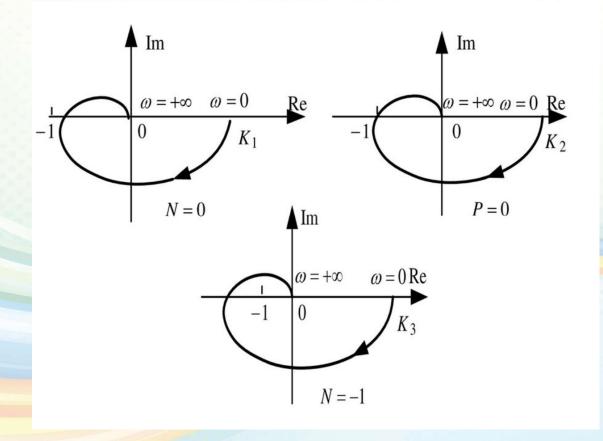
## Some important properties of the Nyquist stability criterion

- 5. Unlike the Bode stability criterion, the Nyquist stability criterion is applicable to open-loop unstable processes.
- 6. Unlike the Bode stability criterion, the Nyquist stability criterion can be applied when multiple values of  $\omega_c$  or  $\omega_g$  occur.

## Nyquist stability Criterion:

Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be the number of times the Nyquist plot for  $G_{OL}(s)$  encircles the (-1,0) point in the clockwise direction. Also let P denotes the number positive poles of  $G_{OL}(s)$ . Then,  $Z = \mathcal{N} + P$  is the number of positive roots of the characteristic equation  $(G_{OL}(s) + 1 = 0)$ . Thus, the closed-loop system is stable if and only if Z = 0

# Nyquist stability criterion:



## Example:

A process has  $G_p = \frac{4e^{-s}}{5s+1}$ ,  $G_v = 2$ ,  $G_m = 0.25$ ,  $G_c = \mathcal{K}_c$ . all signals in the closed-loop control system are electrical and time is in minute. Draw Nyquist plots for  $\mathcal{K}c = 4$ , 6.38, and 50.

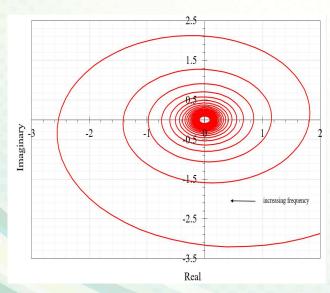
$$G_{OL} = \frac{2K_c e^{-s}}{5s+1} \Rightarrow G_{OL}(\omega j) = \frac{2K_c e^{-\omega j}}{5\omega j+1} = \frac{2K_c(\cos\omega - j\sin\omega)}{5\omega j+1} \times \frac{1-5\omega j}{1-5\omega j}$$

$$= \frac{2K_c}{25\omega^2 + 1}(\cos\omega - j\sin\omega)(1-5\omega j)$$

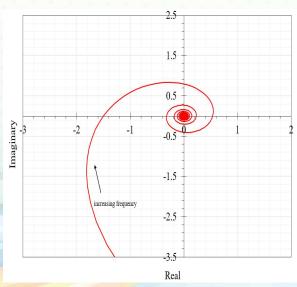
$$= \frac{2K_c}{25\omega^2 + 1}[(\cos\omega - 5\omega\sin\omega) - (\sin\omega + 5\omega\cos\omega)j]$$

$$= \frac{2K_c(\cos\omega - 5\omega\sin\omega)}{25\omega^2 + 1} - \frac{2K_c(\sin\omega + 5\omega\cos\omega)}{25\omega^2 + 1}j$$

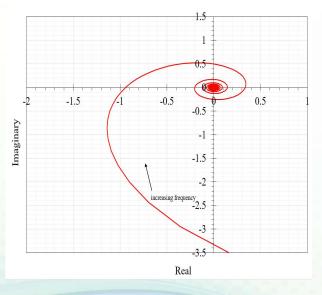
Now prepare a polar plot of  $G_{OL}(\omega j)$  for every Kc in the direction of increasing  $\omega$  value.



Nyquist plot for  $K_c = 50$ 



Nyquist plot for  $K_c = 6.38$ 



Nyquist plot for  $K_c = 4$ 

Use the Nyquist stability criterion for a closed-loop system of the previous example.

$$G_{OL}(s) = \frac{2K_c e^{-s}}{5s+1}$$

Poles of  $G_{OL}$ :  $5s + 1 = 0 \rightarrow s = -\frac{1}{5}$  "one negative pole"

- This means that there is no positive poles of  $G_{OL} \rightarrow P = 0$
- See previous plots to count the number of times, N, that Nyquist plot encircles the point (-1, 0):
- At  $K_c = 6.38$ :  $\mathcal{N} = 1 \rightarrow Z = \mathcal{N} + P = 1 + 0 = 1 \rightarrow \mathcal{N}ot$  stable  $\mathcal{F}R$
- $\mathcal{A}t \ \mathcal{K}_c = 50 \ : \mathcal{N} = 3 \rightarrow \mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{N} + \mathcal{P} = 3 + 0 = 3 \rightarrow \mathcal{N}ot \ stable \ \mathcal{F}\mathcal{R}$
- At  $K_c = 4$ :  $N = 0 \rightarrow Z = N + P = 0 + 0 = 0 \rightarrow stable FR$
- For  $K_c < 4.25$ :  $Z = N + P = 0 + 0 = 0 \rightarrow stable FR$