

Lesson 22: Determining Control Stability Using Bode Plots

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Learning Objectives

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After this presentation you will be able to:

- List the control stability criteria for open loop frequency response.
- Identify the gain and phase margins necessary for a stable control system.
- Use a Bode plot to determine if a control system is stable or unstable.
- Generate Bode plots of control systems that include dead-time delay and determine system stability.

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Bode Plot Stability Criteria

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Stable Control System	Open loop gain of less than 1 ($G < 1$ or $G < 0\text{dB}$) at open loop phase angle of -180 degrees
Oscillatory Control System Marginally Stable	Open loop gain of exactly 1 ($G = 1$ or $G = 0\text{dB}$) at open loop phase angle of -180 degrees
Unstable Control System	Open loop gain of greater than 1 ($G > 1$ or $G > 0\text{dB}$) at open loop phase angle of -180 degrees

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Phase and Gain Margins

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Inherent error and inaccuracies require ranges of phase shift and gain to insure stability.

Gain Margin – Safe level below 1 required for stability Minimum level : $G = 0.5$ or -6 dB at phase shift of 180 degrees

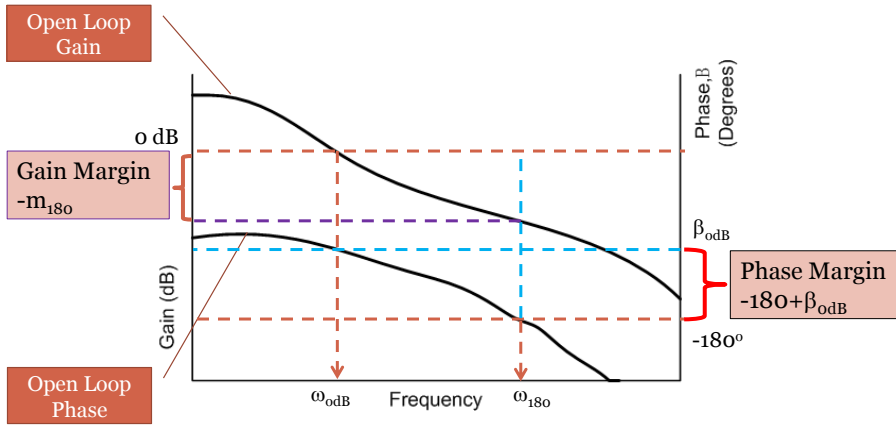
Phase Margin – Safe level above -180 degrees required for stability Minimum level : $\phi = 40$ degree or $-180 + 40 = -140$ degrees at gain level of 0.5 or 0 dB .

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Determining Phase and Gain Margins

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Define two frequencies: ω_{0dB} = frequency of 0 dB gain
 ω_{180} = frequency of -180 degree phase shift

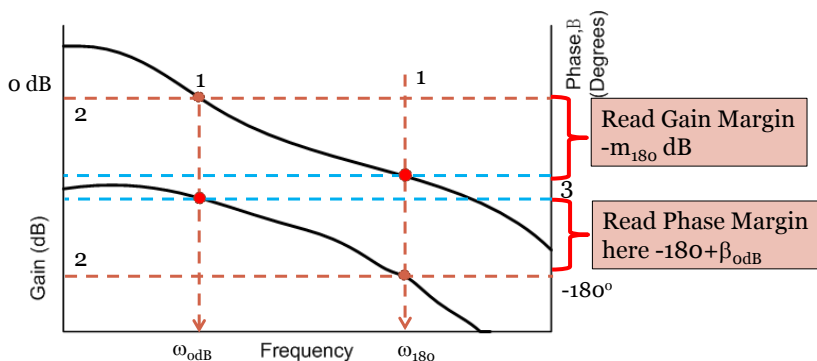


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Determining Phase and Gain Margins

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Procedure: 1) Draw vertical lines through 0 dB on gain and -180 on phase plots.
 2) Draw horizontal lines through 0 dB and -180 so that they intersect with the vertical lines.
 3.) Draw two more horizontal lines that intersect the -180 line on the gain plot and the 0 dB line on the phase plot.



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Stability Analysis Using Bode Plots

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Bode plot stability analysis is idea for systems with dead-time delay. Delay represented by phase shift that increases with frequency.

Example 22-1: A first order lag process has a dead-time delay of 2 seconds and is controlled by a proportional controller. The open loop transfer function is:

$$GH(s) = 40 \cdot \left[\frac{1}{1+100s} \right] \cdot e^{-2s}$$

- 1) Find the magnitude and phase angle of the transfer function at the following frequencies: $\omega=0.001$, 0.01 , 0.1 and 1 radian/sec using hand calculations.
- 2) Use MatLAB and construct the Bode plots of the system and then determine the gain and phase margin of the system.

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Example 22-1 Solution (1)

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Substitute $j\omega=s$ $GH(j\omega) = 40 \cdot \left[\frac{1}{1+100j\omega} \right] \cdot e^{-2j\omega}$

Where $e^{-2j\omega} = \begin{cases} G = 1 \text{ for all } \omega \\ \phi = -2 \cdot (57.6) \cdot \omega \end{cases}$

For $j\omega=j0.001$ $\left[\frac{1}{1+100j0.001} \right] = \left[\frac{1}{1+j0.1} \right] = \frac{1}{1.005 \angle 5.71^\circ} = 0.995 \angle -5.71^\circ$

$e^{-2j0.001} = \begin{cases} G = 1 \text{ for all } \omega \\ \phi = -2 \cdot (57.6) \cdot 0.001 \end{cases} = 1 \angle -0.115^\circ$

$|GH(j0.001)| = 40 \cdot 0.995 \cdot 1 = 39.8$

$\text{ang}[GH(j0.001)] = -5.71^\circ + (-0.115^\circ) = -5.825^\circ$

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Example 22-1 Solution (2)

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For $j\omega=j0.01$

$$GH(j0.01) = \left[\frac{1}{1+100j0.01} \right] = \left[\frac{1}{1+j1} \right] = \frac{1}{1.414\angle 45^\circ} = 0.707\angle -45^\circ$$

$$e^{-2j0.01} = \begin{cases} G = 1 \text{ for all } \omega \\ \phi = -2 \cdot (57.6) \cdot 0.01 \end{cases} = 1\angle -1.15^\circ$$

$$|GH(j0.01)| = 40 \cdot 0.707 \cdot 1 = 28.28$$

$$\text{ang}[GH(j0.01)] = -45^\circ + (-1.15^\circ) = -46.15^\circ$$

For $j\omega=j0.1$

$$GH(j0.1) = \left[\frac{1}{1+100j0.1} \right] = \left[\frac{1}{1+j10} \right] = \frac{1}{10.05\angle 84.3^\circ} = 0.0995\angle -84.3^\circ$$

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Example 22-1 Solution (3)

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For $j\omega=j0.1$ cont.

$$e^{-2j0.1} = \begin{cases} G = 1 \text{ for all } \omega \\ \phi = -2 \cdot (57.6) \cdot 0.1 \end{cases} = 1\angle -11.52^\circ$$

$$|GH(j0.1)| = 40 \cdot 0.0995 \cdot 1 = 3.98$$

$$\text{ang}[GH(j0.1)] = -84.3^\circ + (-11.52^\circ) = -95.82^\circ$$

For $j\omega=j1$

$$GH(j1.0) = \left[\frac{1}{1+100j1} \right] = \left[\frac{1}{1+j100} \right] = \frac{1}{100\angle 89.4^\circ} = 0.01\angle -89.4^\circ$$

$$e^{-2j0.1} = \begin{cases} G = 1 \text{ for all } \omega \\ \phi = -2 \cdot (57.6) \cdot 1 \end{cases} = 1\angle -115.2^\circ$$

$$|GH(j0.1)| = 40 \cdot 0.01 \cdot 1 = 0.4 \quad \text{ang}[GH(j0.1)] = -89.4^\circ + (-115.2^\circ) = -204.6^\circ$$

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Example 22-1 Solution (4)

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Calculation summary

Convert all magnitudes
to decibels

$$GH(j0.001)_{dB} = 20 \log(39.8) = 32 \text{ dB}$$

$$GH(j0.01)_{dB} = 20 \log(28.28) = 29 \text{ dB}$$

$$GH(j0.1)_{dB} = 20 \log(3.98) = 12 \text{ dB}$$

$$GH(j1)_{dB} = 20 \log(0.4) = -8.0 \text{ dB}$$

Frequency (rad/sec)	GH	GH (dB)
0.001	39.8∠-5.83°	32∠-5.83° dB
0.01	28.28∠-46.15°	29∠-46.15° dB
0.1	3.98∠-95.82°	12∠-95.82° dB
1.0	0.4∠-204.6°	-8 ∠-204.6° dB

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Example 22-1 Solution (5)

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Construct an open-loop Bode plot using MatLAB and find the gain and phase margins for the control system. Example code follows:

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clear all;
close all;
numgh=[40];           % define the forward gain numerator and denominator
                      % coefficients
demgh=[100 1];
Gh=tf(numgh,demgh);   % construct the transfer function
[m p w]=bode(Gh,{0.001,1}); % Use the bode function with its arguments so that it returns the
                          % magnitude, m, the phase shift, p and the frequencies so that
                          % the effect of the dead time delay can be added to the system
                          % now compute the values of phase shift for the time delay using
                          % the formula -2*w*57.6
pd=-2*w*57.6;
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Example 22-1 Solution (6)

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% Add the phase shift of the transfer function to the dead-time delay
% take the phase shift out of the 3 column array [m p w]

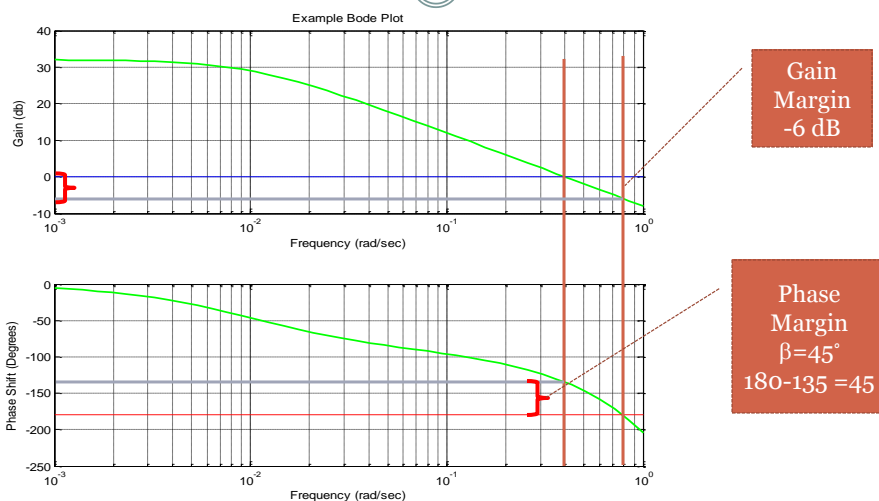
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phase=p(:);
pt=pd+phase;
db=20.*log10(m); % compute the gain in db
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figure; % create a figure window
subplot(2,1,1); % divide the plot area in two parts
semilogx(w,db,'go-'); %plot gain in dB on a semilog x-axis
xlabel('Frequency (rad/sec)'); % add labels and title. Turn on the grid.
ylabel('Gain (db)');
title('Example Bode Plot');
grid on;
subplot(2,1,2); % now do the same for the phase shift plot
semilogx(w,pt,'go-');
xlabel('Frequency (rad/sec)');
ylabel('Phase Shift (Degrees)');
grid on
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Example 22-1 Solution (7)

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