

Chapter 14: Control theory: graphical techniques

ML_14_1 Root locus

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% Chapter 14: Control theory: graphical techniques: Root Locus Techniques  
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% Example 14.1: MATLAB allows root loci to be plotted with the  
% rlocus(GH) command, where  $G(s)H(s) = \text{numgh}/\text{dengh}$  and GH is an LTI  
transfer-  
% function object. Points on the root locus can be selected interactively  
% using the  $[K,p] = \text{rlocfind}(GH)$  command. MATLAB then yields the gain(K)  
at  
% that point as well as all other poles(p) that have that gain. We can zoom  
% in and out of the root locus by changing the range of axis values using  
% the command  $\text{axis}([xmin,xmax,ymin,ymax])$ . The root locus can be drawn  
% over a grid that shows constant damping ratio(z) and constant natural  
% frequency(wn) curves using the sgrid(z,wn) command. To plot multiple  
% z and wn curves, use  $z = zmin:zstep:zmax$  and  $wn = wnmin:wnstep:wnmax$   
to  
% specify a range of values.
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'Example 14.1' % Display label.  
clf % Clear graph on screen.  
%numgh=[1 -4 20]; % Define numerator of  $G(s)H(s)$ .  
%dengh=poly([-2 -4]); % Define denominator of  $G(s)H(s)$ .  
%numgh=[1 1.5]; % Define numerator of  $G(s)H(s)$ .  
%dengh=poly([0 -1 -10]); % Define denominator of  $G(s)H(s)$ .  
numgh=[1 4]; % Define numerator of  $G(s)H(s)$ .  
dengh=[0 -1 -2 -6]; % Define denominator of  $G(s)H(s)$ .  
'G(s)H(s)' % Display label.  
GH=tf(numgh,dengh) % Create  $G(s)H(s)$  and display.  
rlocus(GH) % Draw root locus.  
z=0.2:0.05:0.5; % Define damping ratio values: 0.2 to  
% 0.5 in steps of 0.05.  
wn=0:1:10; % Define natural frequency values: 0  
% to 10 in steps of 1.  
sgrid(z,wn) % Generate damping ratio and natural  
% frequency grid lines for root  
% locus.  
title('Root Locus') % Define title for root locus.  
pause % Draw close-up root locus.  
axis([-3 1 -4 4]) % Define range on axes for root locus
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        % close-up view.
title('Close-up')           % Define title for close-up root
                            % locus.
%z=0.45;                  % Define damping ratio line for
z=0.8;                     % Define damping ratio line for
                            % overlay on close-up root locus.
wn=0;                      % Suppress natural frequency overlay
                            % curves.
sgrid(z,wn)                % Overlay damping ratio curve on
                            % close-up root locus.
for k=1:3                  % Loop allows 3 points to be selected
                            % as per Example 8.7
                            % (z=0.45, jw crossing, breakaway).
[K,p]=rlocfind(GH)          % Generate gain, K, and closed-loop
                            % poles, p,
                            % for point selected interactively on
                            % the root locus.
end                         % End loop.
pause

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