

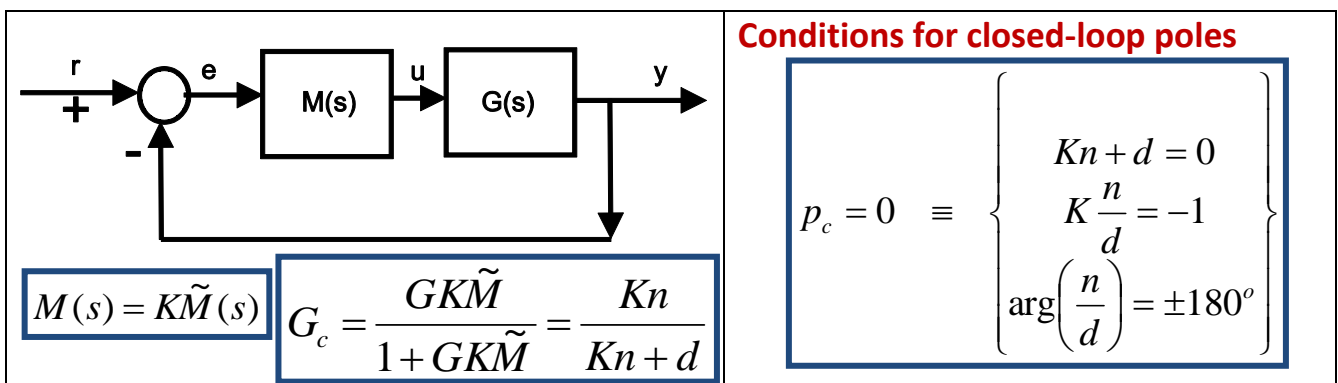
Modelling and control summaries



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Root-loci 6: Start and end points

The focus is on the simplest form of block diagram, a process $G(s)$ and a compensator $M(s)$ which is expressed as a gain K multiplied by a transfer function. The closed-loop transfer function is $G_c(s)$.



START POINTS of root-loci correspond to when K=0	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Poles are given by $Kn(s)+d(s)=0$. 2. If $K=0$, poles are given by $d(s)=0$. 3. $d(s)=0$ defines the open-loop poles. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loci must begin from open-loop poles. • It is conventional to mark open-loop poles with an 'X' symbol.

END POINTS of root-loci correspond to when $K \rightarrow \infty$	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Poles are given by $Kn(s)+d(s)=0$. 2. Let $K \rightarrow \infty$, and assume some of the poles are finite. If s is finite, then $d(s)$ must be finite, hence $Kn(s)$ is finite. 3. If $K \rightarrow \infty$ and $Kn(s)$ is finite then $n(s) \rightarrow 0$. 4. $n(s)=0$ defines attraction points for closed-loop poles with large K. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some loci must end at the open-loop zeros. • It is conventional to mark open-loop zeros with an 'O' symbol.

SUMMARY

Loci begin at open loop poles and some finish at open-loop zeros.

Illustrations: Mark the start and end points for the following systems

