

Modelling and control summaries



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Root-loci 9: Sketching using 5 basic rules

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 $G_c(s)$.

$M(s) = K\tilde{M}(s)$

$G_c = \frac{GK\tilde{M}}{1+GK\tilde{M}} = \frac{Kn}{Kn+d}$

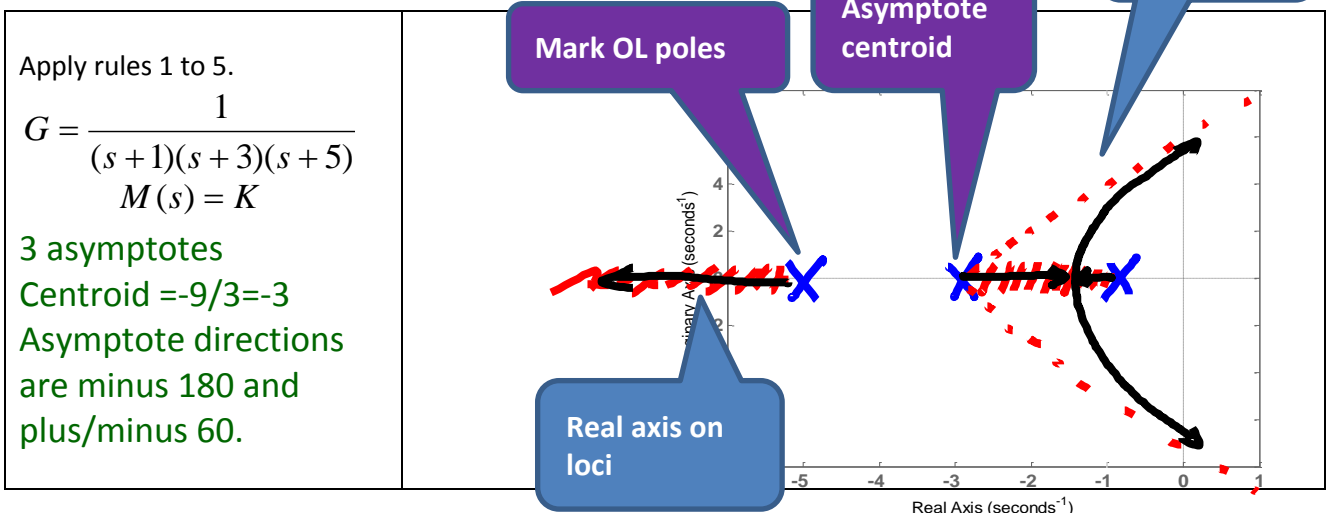
Conditions for closed-loop poles

$$p_c = 0 \equiv \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Kn + d = 0 \\ K \frac{n}{d} = -1 \\ \arg\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \pm 180^\circ \end{array} \right.$$

Summary of rules for sketching

- Rule 1: Mark OL poles with a X
- Rule 2: Mark OL zeros with a O
- Rule 3: Compute asymptote directions from excess poles over zeros.
- Rule 4: Compute asymptote centroid and add asymptotes to plot.
- Rule 5: Add parts of loci on real axis.

Note that loci always depart the real-axis at a 90 degree angle

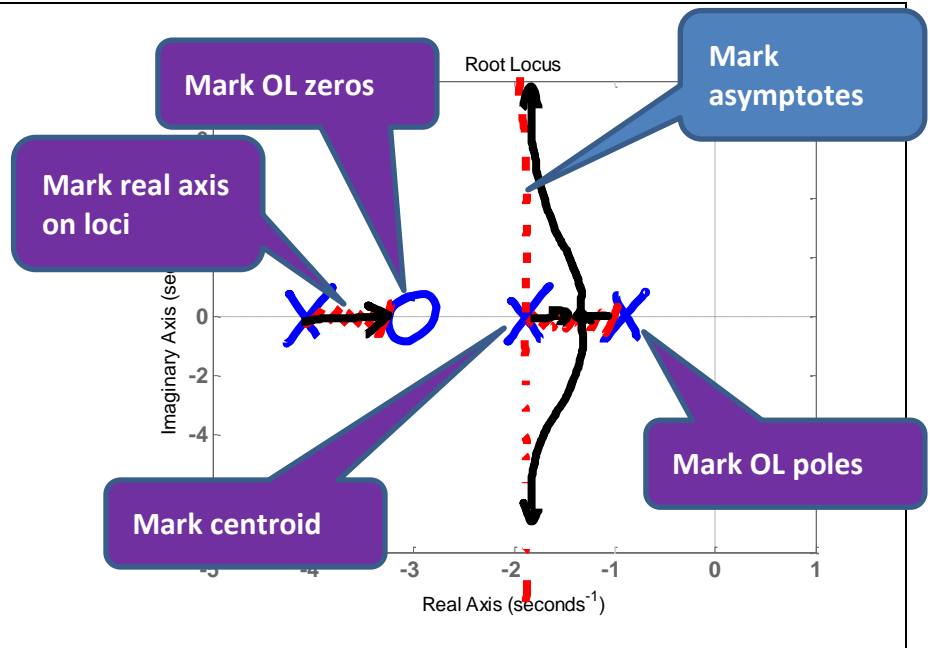


Apply rules 1 to 5.

$$G = \frac{s + 3}{(s + 1)(s + 2)(s + 4)}$$

$$M(s) = K$$

2 asymptotes
Centroid = $-4/2 = -2$
Asymptote directions are plus/minus 90.

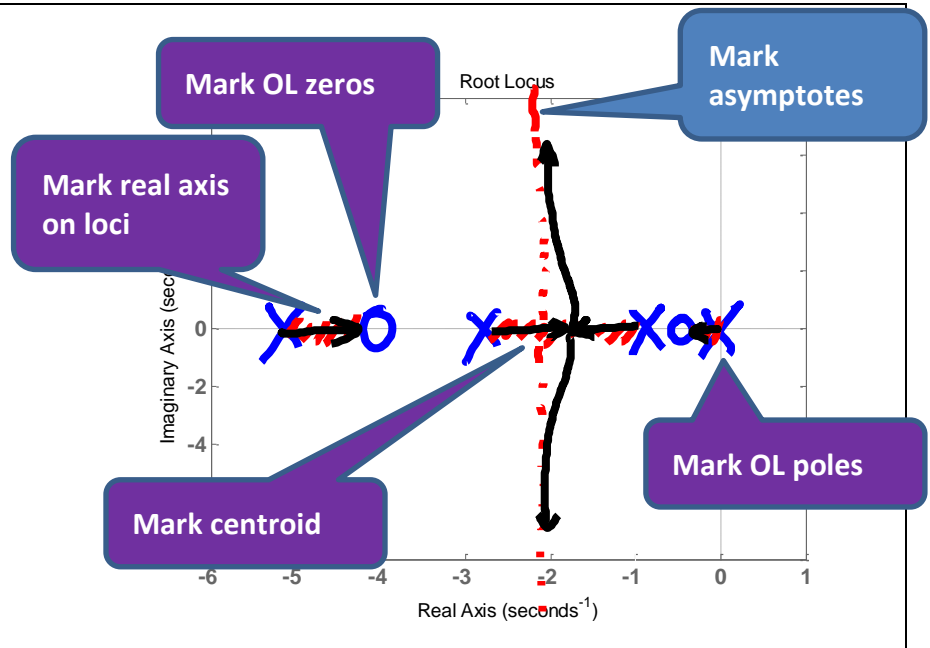


Apply rules 1 to 5.

$$G = \frac{s + 0.5}{(s + 1)(s + 3)(s + 5)}$$

$$M(s) = K \frac{(s + 4)}{s}$$

2 asymptotes
Centroid = $-4.5/2 = -2.25$
Asymptote directions are plus/minus 90.



Examples for students to try (use rlocus.m on MATLAB to test your answers)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G = \frac{(s + 2)}{(s + 10)(s + 3)(s + 1)s} \\ M(s) = K \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G = \frac{s + 3}{(s + 1)^2} \\ M(s) = \frac{K}{s} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G = \frac{20}{s(s + 2)(s + 3)} \\ M(s) = K \frac{s + 1}{s + 10} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G = \frac{(s + 3)}{(s + 1)(s + 2)(s + 4)} \\ M(s) = K \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G = \frac{s + 1}{s((s + 2)^2 + 1)} \\ M(s) = K \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G = \frac{s - 3}{s(s + 2)(s + 1)} \\ M(s) = K \frac{s + 4}{s + 0.5} \end{array} \right\}$$