

# Lecture 4: Loop shaping design

- Specifications in frequency domain
- Loop shaping design

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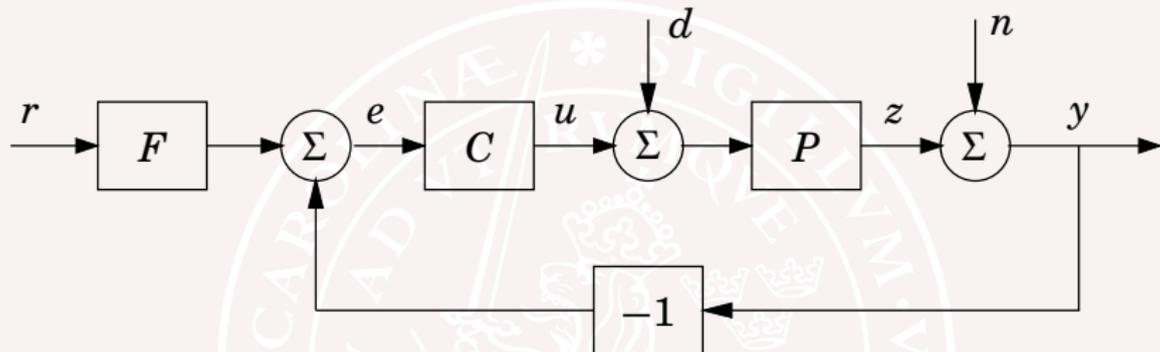
- The closed-loop system
  - Look at all transfer functions in the loop!  
(Gang of Four / Gang of six)
  - Robustness

New today

- Loop shaping

[Glad & Ljung] Ch. 6.4–6.6, 8.1–8.2 + AK

# Relations between signals



$$Z = \frac{P}{1+PC}D - \frac{PC}{1+PC}N + \frac{PCF}{1+PC}R$$
$$Y = \frac{P}{1+PC}D + \frac{1}{1+PC}N + \frac{PCF}{1+PC}R$$
$$U = -\frac{PC}{1+PC}D - \frac{C}{1+PC}N + \frac{CF}{1+PC}R$$

# Key Issues

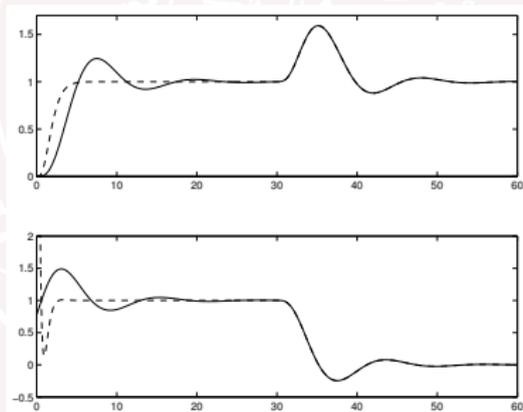
Find a controller that

- A:** Reduces effects of load disturbances
- B:** Does not inject too much measurement noise into the system
- C:** Makes the closed loop insensitive to variations in the process
- D:** Makes output follow command signals

Convenient to use a controller with two degrees of freedom, i.e. separate signal transmission from  $y$  to  $u$  and from  $r$  to  $u$ . This gives a complete separation of the problem: Use feedback to deal with A, B, and C. Use feedforward to deal with D!

# Time domain specifications

- Step response (w.r.t reference and/or load disturbance)
  - rise-time  $T_r$
  - overshoot
  - settling time  $T_s$
  - static error  $e_0$
- ...



step response

load disturbance

# Frequency domain specifications

Closed loops specs.

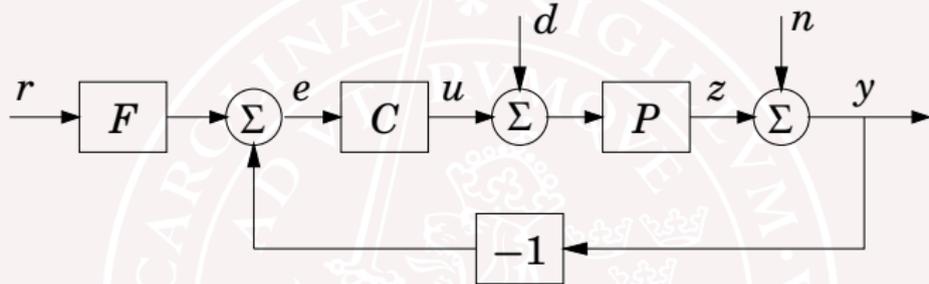
- resonance peak  $M_p$
- bandwidth  $\omega_B$

Open-loop measures

- $M_S$  and  $M_T$ -circles
- Amplitude margin  $A_m$ ,  
phase margin  $\phi_m$
- cross-over frequency  
 $\omega_c$
- ...

Note: Often the design is made in Bode/Nyquist/Nichols diagrams for loop-gain  $L = PC$  (open loop system)

## Specifications on closed loop system



Would like:

- Small influence of low-frequency disturbance  $d$  on  $z$
- Limited amplification of high-frequency noise  $n$  in control  $u$
- Robust stability despite high-frequency uncertainty

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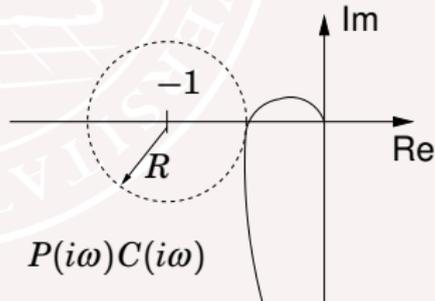


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$$R^{-1} = \sup_{\omega} \left| \frac{1}{1 + P(i\omega)C(i\omega)} \right|$$



# Frequency domain specs.

Closed-loop:

Find specifications  $W_T$  and  $W_S$  for closed-loops transfer functions s.t

$$|T(i\omega)| \leq |W_T^{-1}(i\omega)|$$

$$|S(i\omega)| \leq |W_S^{-1}(i\omega)|$$

(Magnitude transfers to singular values for MIMO-systems)

Examples:

- $|S(i\omega)| < 1.5$  for  $\omega < 5$  Hz
- $|S| < |W_S^{-1}| = s/(s+10)$
- $|T| < |W_T^{-1}| = 10/(s+10)$
- “The closed loop system should have a bandwidth of at least ... rad/s”
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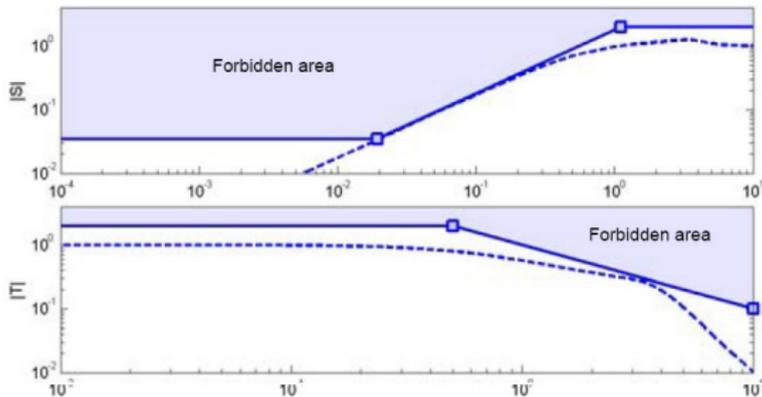
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These specifications can not be chosen independently of each other.

$$S + T = 1$$

Limiting factors:

- Fundamental limitations [Lecture 7/Ch 7]:
  - RHP zero at  $z \implies \omega_{BS} \leq z/2$
  - Time delay  $T \implies \omega_{BS} \leq 1/T$
  - RHP pole at  $p \implies \omega_{OT} \geq 2p$
- Bode's integral theorem
  - The "waterbed effect"
- Bode's relation
  - good phase margin requires certain distance between  $\omega_{BS}$  and  $\omega_{OT}$
- Model uncertainty:
  - Robust stability gives new "forbidden area"
  - Robust performance somewhat more complicated

# Design: Consider open loop system

Try to look at **loop-gain**  $L = PC$  for design and to translate specifications of  $S$  &  $T$  into specs of  $L$

$$S = \frac{1}{1+L} \approx 1/L \quad \text{if } L \text{ is Large}$$

$$T = \frac{L}{1+L} \approx L \quad \text{if } L \text{ is small}$$

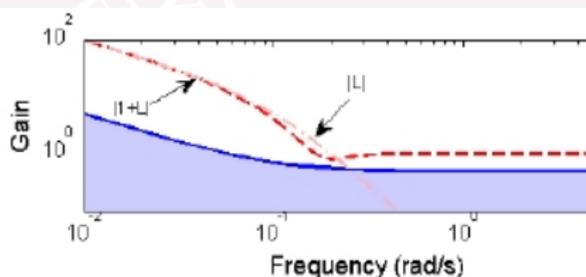
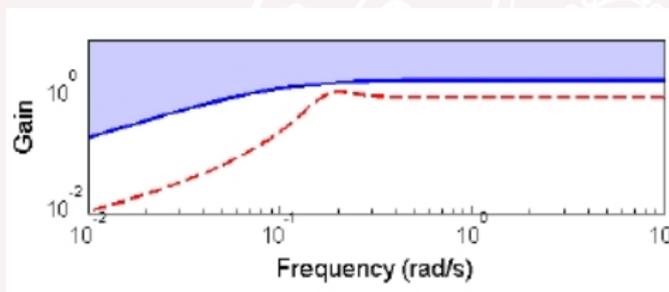
Classical loop shaping:

- design  $C$  so that  $L = PC$  satisfies constraints on  $S$  and  $T$
- how are the specifications related?
- what to do with the regions around cross-over frequency  $\omega_c$  (where  $|L| = 1$ )?

# Sensitivity vs Loop Gain

$$S = \frac{1}{1 + L}$$

$$|S(i\omega)| \leq |W_S^{-1}(i\omega)| \iff |1 + L(i\omega)| > |W_S(i\omega)|$$



small frequencies,  $W_S$  large  $\implies 1 + L$  large, and  $|L| \approx |1 + L|$ .

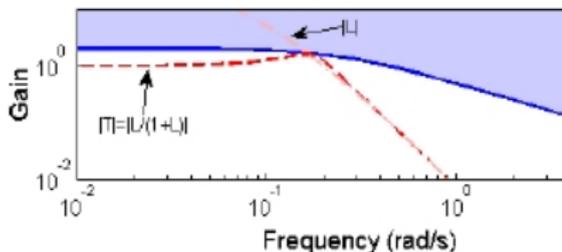
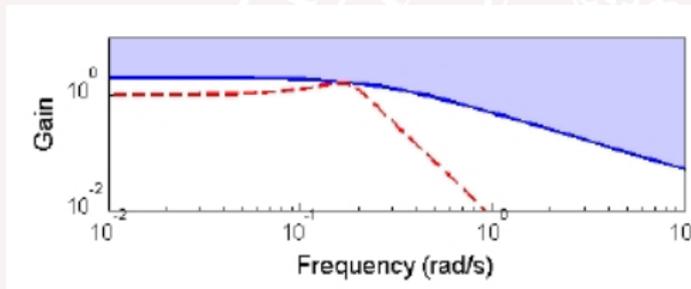
$$|L(i\omega)| \geq |W_S(i\omega)| \quad (\text{approx.})$$

(typically valid for  $\omega < \omega_{BS}$ )

# Complementary Sensitivity vs Loop Gain

$$T = \frac{L}{1 + L}$$

$$|T(i\omega)| \leq |W_T^{-1}(i\omega)| \iff \frac{|L(i\omega)|}{|1 + L(i\omega)|} \leq |W_T^{-1}(i\omega)|$$

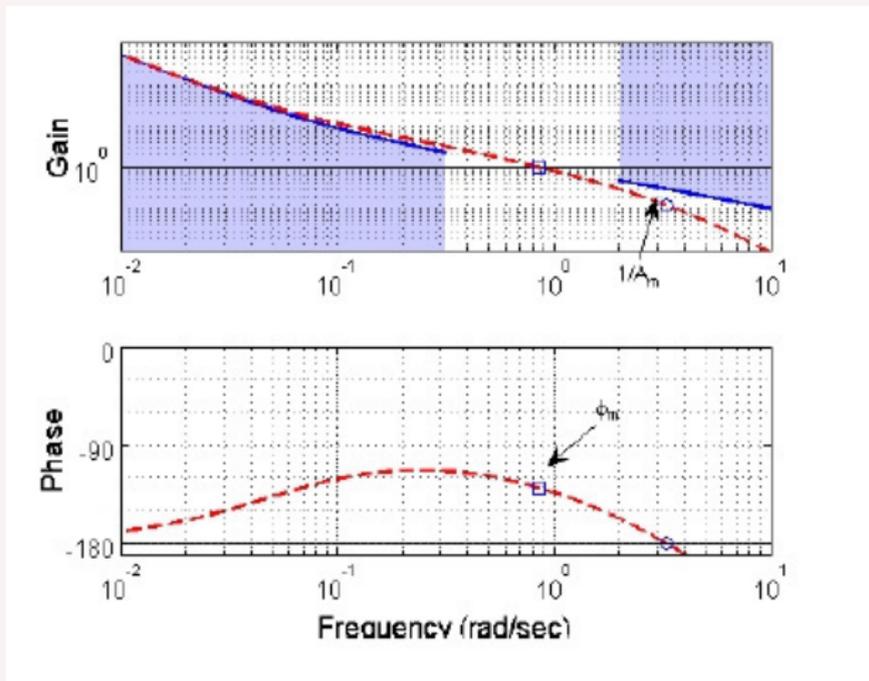


large frequencies,  $W_T^{-1}$  small  $\implies |T| \approx |L|$

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## Resulting constraints on loop-gain $L$ :

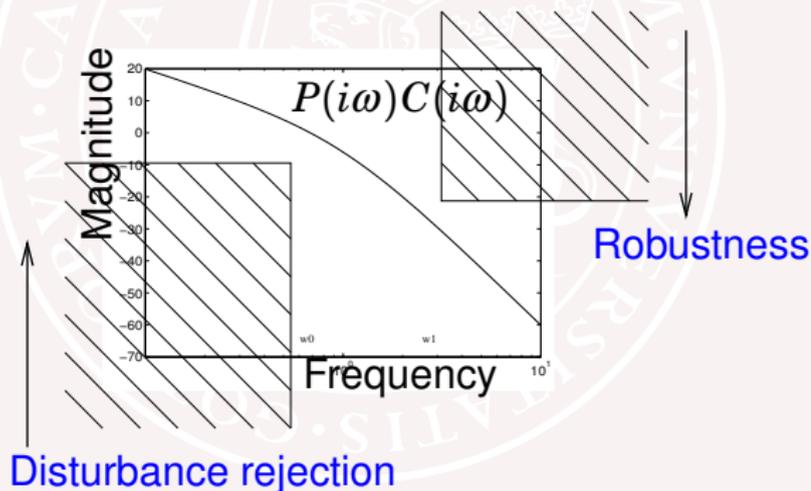


Remark: approximations inexact around cross-over frequency  $\omega_c$ . In this region, focus is on stability margins  $A_m$ ,  $\phi_m$ .

These requirements is to say that the *loop transfer matrix*

$$L = P(i\omega)C(i\omega)$$

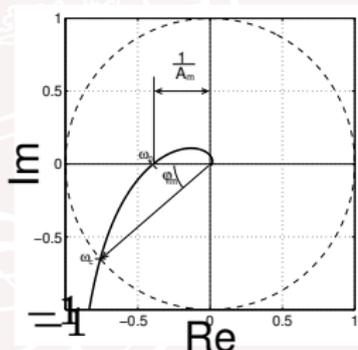
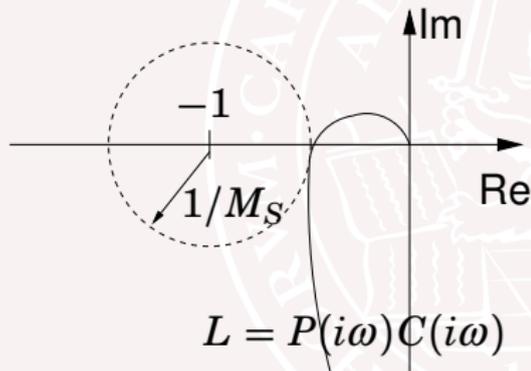
should have small norm  $\|P(i\omega)C(i\omega)\|$  at high frequencies, while at low the frequencies instead  $\|[P(i\omega)C(i\omega)]^{-1}\|$  should be small.



# $M_S$ and $M_T$ and stability margins

Specifying  $|T(i\omega)| \leq M_T$  and  $|S(i\omega)| \leq M_S$  gives bounds for the amplitude and phase margins (but not the other way round!)

$$|S(i\omega)| \leq M_S \quad \Rightarrow \quad A_m > \frac{M_S}{M_S - 1}, \quad \phi_m > 2 \arcsin \frac{1}{M_S}$$

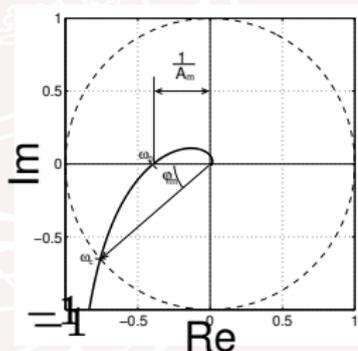
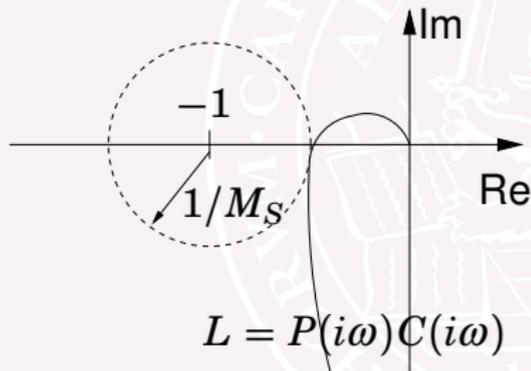


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# Classical loop shaping

Map specifications on requirements on loop gain  $L$ .

- Low-frequency specifications from  $W_S$
- High-frequency specifications from  $W_T^{-1}$
- Around cross-over frequency, mapping is crude
  - Position cross-over frequency (constrained by  $W_S, W_T$ )
  - Adjust phase margin (e.g. from  $M_S, M_T$  specifications)

# Lead-lag compensation

Shape loop gain  $L = PC$  using a compensator  $C$  composed of

- Lag (phase retarding) elements

$$C_{lag} = \frac{s + a}{s + a/M}, \quad M > 1$$

- Lead (phase advancing) elements

$$C_{lead} = N \frac{s + b}{s + bN}, \quad N > 1$$

- Gain

$K$

Typically

$$C = K \frac{s + a}{s + a/M} \cdot N \frac{s + b}{s + bN}$$

# Properties of leads-lag elements

- Lag (phase retarding) elements
  - Reduces static error
  - Reduces stability margin
- Lead (phase advancing) elements
  - Increased speed by increased  $\omega_c$
  - Increased phase
    - ⇒ May improve stability
- Gain
  - Translates magnitude curve
  - Does not change phase curve

See "Collection of Formulae" for lead-lag link diagrams

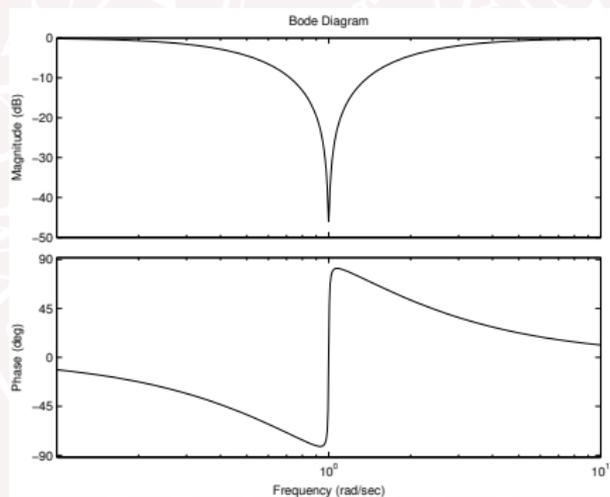
# Iterative lead-lag design

- Step 1: Lag (phase retarding) element
  - Add phase retarding element to get low-frequency asymptote right
- Step 2: Phase advancing element
  - Use phase advancing element to obtain correct phase margin
- Step 3: Adjust gain
  - Usually need to "lift up" or "push down" amplitude curve to obtain the desired cross-over frequency.

Adjusting the gain in Step 3 leaves the phase unaffected, but may ruin low-frequency asymptote (need to revise lag element)  $\implies$  An iterative method!

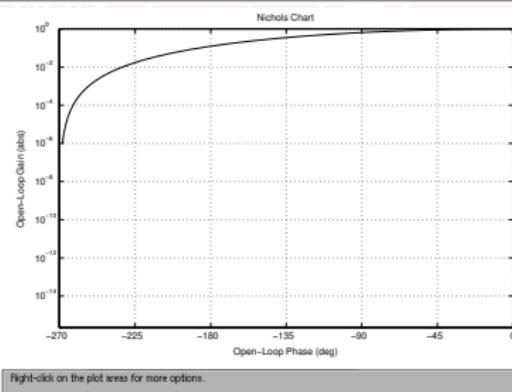
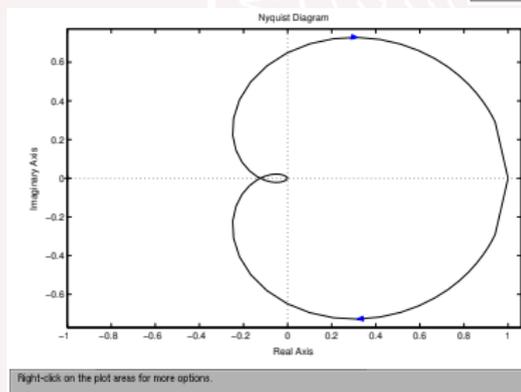
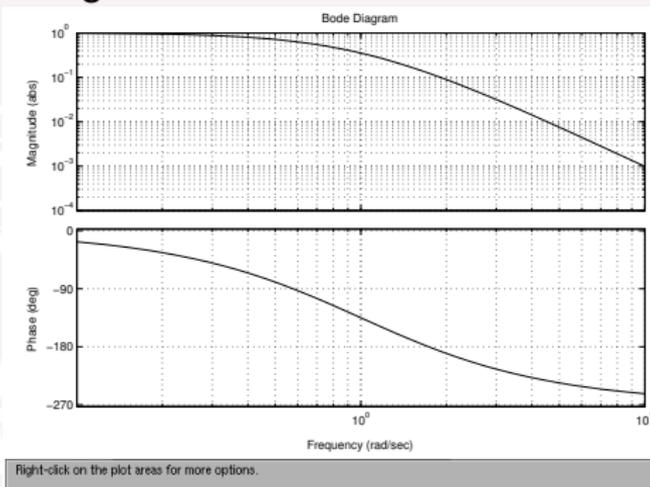
Example of other compensation-link:

Notch-filter  $\frac{s^2 + 0.01s + 1}{s^2 + 2s + 1}$



# Bode, Nyquist and Nichols diagrams

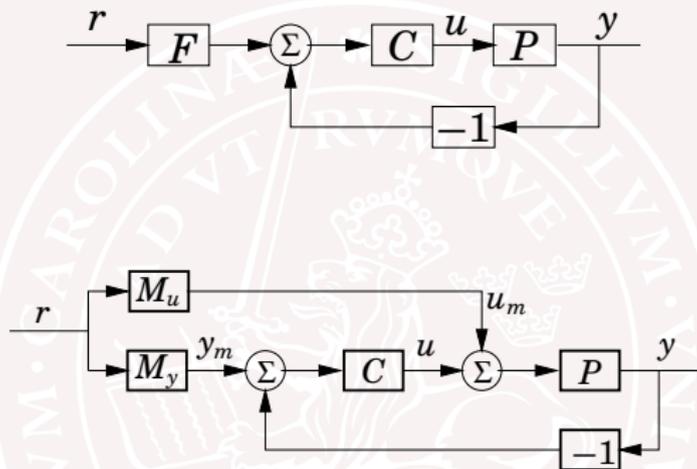
$$\log|PC| = \log|P| + \log|C|$$
$$\arg\{PC\} = \arg\{P\} + \arg\{C\}$$



Quantitative Feedback Design Theory was developed by Horowitz *et. al.* to ensure desired loop-gain properties despite model uncertainties.

Basic principle: Let the (uncertain) system be represented by several transfer functions and at each frequency we get a corresponding set (template) of points which all should satisfy the constraints.

# Feedforward design



The reference signal  $r$  specifies the desired value of  $y$ .

Ideally

$$\frac{P(s)C(s)}{1 + P(s)C(s)}F(s) \approx 1$$

Equivalently

$$F(s) \approx \frac{1 + P(s)C(s)}{P(s)C(s)}$$

Exact equality is generally impossible because of pole excess in  $P$ .

The simplest and most common approximation is to use a constant gain

$$F = \frac{1 + P(0)C(0)}{P(0)C(0)}$$

A more advanced option is

$$F(s) = \frac{1 + P(s)C(s)}{P(s)C(s)(sT + 1)^d}$$

for some suitable time constant  $T$  and  $d$  large enough to make  $F$  proper and implementable.

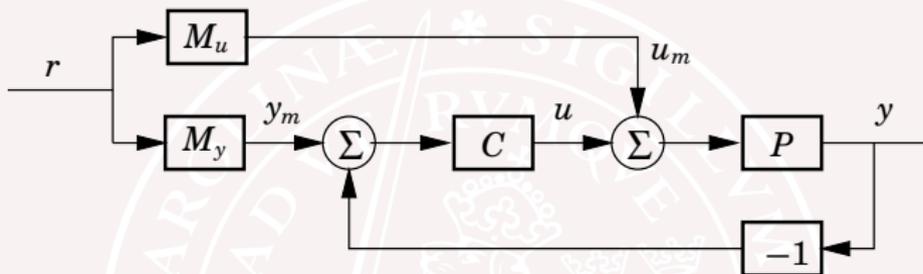
# Example

$$P(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^4} \quad F(s) = \frac{1 + P(s)C(s)}{P(s)C(s)(sT+1)^d}$$

The closed loop transfer function from  $r$  to  $u$  then becomes

$$\frac{C(s)}{1 + P(s)C(s)} F(s) = \frac{(s+1)^4}{(sT+1)^4}$$

which has low-fq gain 1, but gain  $1/T^4$  for  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ .



Notice that  $M_u$  and  $M_y$  can be viewed as generators of the desired output  $y_m$  and the inputs  $u_m$  which corresponds to  $y_m$ .

# Design of Feedforward revisited

The transfer function from  $r$  to  $e = y_m - y$  is  $(M_y - PM_u)S$

Ideally,  $M_u$  should satisfy  $M_u = M_y/P$ . This condition does not depend on  $C$ !

Since  $M_u = M_y/P$  should be stable, causal and not include derivatives we find that

- Unstable process zeros must be zeros of  $M_y$
- Time delays of the process must be time delays of  $M_y$
- The pole excess of  $M_y$  must be greater than the pole excess of  $P$

Take process limitations into account!

# Example of Feedforward Design revisited

If

$$P(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^4} \quad M_y(s) = \frac{1}{(sT+1)^4}$$

then

$$M_u(s) = \frac{M_y(s)}{P(s)} = \frac{(s+1)^4}{(sT+1)^4} \quad \frac{M_u(\infty)}{M_u(0)} = \frac{1}{T^4}$$

Fast response ( $T$  small) requires high gain of  $M_u$ .

Bounds on the control signal limit how fast response we can obtain.

# Summary

## Frequency design;

- Good mapping between  $S, T$  and  $L = PC$  at low and high frequencies (mapping around cross-over frequency less clear)
- Simple relation between  $C$  and  $L \implies$  easy to shape  $L!$
- Lead-lag control: iterative adjustment procedure
- What if closed-loop specifications are not satisfied?
  - we made a poor design (did not iterate enough), or
  - the specifications are not feasible (fundamental limitations in Lecture 7)
- Alternatives:
  - $H_\infty$ -optimal control: finds stabilizing controller that satisfies constraints, if such a controller exists

## Feedforward design

# Next lecture

## Case study DVD-player

- Use **loop-shaping techniques from this lecture** for focus control design in DVD-player
- track following (modelling of disturbances, control)

