CONTROL I

ELEN3016

Stability of Dynamical Systems

(Lecture 11)

Overview

- First Things First!
- Stability Introductory Examples
- Review of 2nd-Order Systems
- Routh-Hurwitz Stability Criterion
- Tutorial Exercises & Homework
- Next Attraction!

First Things First!

Lab Related Matters

- Scheduled for the 2nd block
- Control Lab: Mondays & Tuesdays, 14:15 17:00
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First Things First!

- Semester Test
 - After the study break

19th September, 08:00 – 10:00 in CB228.

- Will cover Chapters 1 to 5 of Burns.
- All problems discussed in class, self-study, homework, all tutorial problems and (small) variations on these themes are important for the Test.

First Things First!

Last Week's Tutorial

- PMDC motor with flexible shaft and load.
- To be placed on the course webpage by Monday 15 August 2015.

Introductory Example 1

• *Stable* time response



Introductory Example 2

• Example of *unstable* time response





Types of Unstable Time Response

• Unstable response: Non-oscillatory vs Oscillatory $x_{\rm o}(t)$ $x_{o}(t)$ A Α t t

• Characteristic equation of a 2nd-order system

$$as^2 + bs + c = 0 (5.5)$$

Roots

$$s_1, s_2 = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \tag{5.6}$$

$$\underbrace{a,b,c>0}{\Rightarrow}$$

That is, all of the same sign!

 $\begin{cases} \operatorname{Re}(s_1), \operatorname{Re}(s_2) < 0\\ b > \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac} \end{cases}$

- Overdamped 2nd-order system ($b^2 4ac > 0$) $s_1 = -\sigma_1$ $s_2 = -\sigma_2$ (5.7)
- Critically damped 2nd-order system ($b^2 4ac = 0$) $s_1 = s_2 = -\sigma$ (5.8)
- Underdamped 2nd-order system ($b^2 4ac < 0$) $s_1, s_2 = -\sigma \pm j\omega$ (5.9)

2nd-order system with a, c > 0, b < 0 implies
a. -4ac < 0 ⇒ b² - 4ac < b² implying either
i. complex conjugate pole pair if b²-4ac < 0 or
ii. two real poles of the same sign if 0 < b²-4ac.

b.
$$-\frac{b}{2a} > 0$$
 i.e. at least one unstable pole.

Combining a.) & b.) we conclude that both poles (real or complex) are in the RHP giving an <u>unstable</u> system.

• 2nd-order system with b, c > 0, a < 0 implies a. $-4ac > 0 \Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac > b^2$ from which we have two real poles of opposite signs since $0 < b < \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}$.

b. $-\frac{b}{2a} > 0$ i.e. at least one unstable pole.

Combining a.) & b.) ensures a single unstable pole in the RHP giving an <u>unstable</u> system.

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Stability of a LTI System

• Characteristic equation of an n^{th} -order system

 $a_n s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 s + a_0 = 0$

- Necessary <u>but not</u> sufficient condition for a system to be stable:
 - The coefficients of the characteristic equation must all have the <u>same</u> sign and that none are zero.
- Equivalently: If the Char. Eq. coefficients differ in signs then the system is unstable.

Stability of a LTI System

• Set-theoretic depiction of all LTI *n*th order systems

Set of all LTI nth order systems

Set of all LTI *n* th order systems with all coefficients same sign

Set of all stable LTI *n* th order systems

Comment on the closedness and openness of these sets.

Characteristic equation of an nth-order system

$$a_n s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 s + a_0 = 0$$
 (5.11)

- Necessary <u>and</u> sufficient condition for a system to be stable:
 - All the *Hurwitz determinants* of the characteristic polynomial are positive or, equivalently,
 - All coefficients in the first column of the *Routh array* have the same sign.











• Developing the Routh array's third row:

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \begin{vmatrix} a_{n-1} & a_{n-3} \\ a_n & a_{n-2} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$b_2 = \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \begin{vmatrix} a_{n-1} & a_{n-5} \\ a_n & a_{n-4} \end{vmatrix}$$

etc.

 Continue until the first zero appears. Then move to next row.





• Developing the Routh array's fourth row:

$$c_{1} = \frac{1}{b_{1}} \begin{vmatrix} b_{1} & b_{2} \\ a_{n-1} & a_{n-3} \end{vmatrix}$$
$$c_{2} = \frac{1}{b_{1}} \begin{vmatrix} b_{1} & b_{3} \\ a_{n-1} & a_{n-5} \end{vmatrix}$$

etc.

 Continue until the first zero appears. Then move to next row. Terminate with a complete row of zeros.





• Example 5.1 $s^4 + 2s^3 + s^2 + 4s + 2 = 0$

 Routh array:
 s^0 2

 s^1 8

 s^2 -1 2

 s^3 2
 4

 s^4 1
 1
 2

• Example 5.1 (cont'd)

- Below shown the zeros that guide the calculations.

Routh array:

• Example 5.1 (cont'd)

- Below shown the zeros that guide the calculations.

Routh array:

- 2 sign changes
- 2 poles in RHP

• Example 5.2



Find the minimum proportional gain for which the system is marginally stable (i.e. "only just unstable").

• Example 5.2 (cont'd)

Characteristic equation: $(K = 8K_1)$

 $1 + G(s)H(s) = 1 + \frac{K}{s(s^2 + s + 2)} = 0$

 $s^3 + s^2 + 2s + K = 0 \tag{5.30}$

• Example 5.2 (cont'd)

Routh array:

• Example 5.2 (cont'd)

Routh array:Suppose $K = \varepsilon$, $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ - 0 sign changes s^0 ε - 0 poles in RHP s^1 2 s^2 1 ε s^3 12

• Example 5.2 (cont'd)

Routh array: Suppose $K = 2 - \varepsilon$, $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ - 0 sign changes s^{0} | 2 - 0 poles in RHP s^{2} | 1 2 s^{3} | 1 2

• Example 5.2 (cont'd)

Routh array: Suppose $K = 2 + \varepsilon$, $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ - 2 sign changes s^{0} | 2 - 2 poles in RHP s^{2} | 1 2 s^{3} | 1 2

• Example 5.2 (cont'd)

Stability requires no sign changes in 1st column.
 Routh array:



• Example 5.2 (cont'd)

Study the remaining part of Example 5.2 as well as Section 5.2.2 on *special cases* of the Routh array.

Tutorial Exercises & Homework

- Tutorial Exercises
 - Burns, Examples 5.12 and 5.13

- Homework
 - Burns, Example 5.2 and Sec. 5.2.2

Conclusion

- First Things First!
- Introductory Examples
- Review of 2nd-Order Systems' Stability
- Routh-Hurwitz Stability Criterion
- Burns, Sec 5.2.2 (Self-study!)
- Tutorial Exercises & Homework

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Next Attraction! – Miss It & You'll Miss Out!
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• The Root Locus Technique (Burns, Chapter 5)

Thank you!

Any Questions?