Systems Engineering/Process control L8

Frequency analysis

- Frequency response
- Bode- and Nyquist diagram
- Stability and stability margins

Reading: Systems Engineering and Process Control: 8.1–8.5

Frequency analysis

- Study how systems react on signals with different frequencies
- Examples:
 - Load disturbances mostly low frequencies
 - Measurement noise high frequencies
- If system linear each frequency can be studied separately
 - Sine wave in ⇒ sine wave out
 - Can be used to experimentally derive transfer functions

Frequency response

$$\frac{u(t)}{G(s)} \xrightarrow{y(t)}$$

 $u(t) = \sin \omega t$ $y(t) = A \sin(\omega t + \varphi)$

$$A = |G(i\omega)|$$
$$\varphi = \arg G(i\omega)$$

- ω: frequency [rad/s]
- $G(i\omega)$: frequency function
- ► $|G(i\omega)|$: amplitude (function), amplification, magnitude
- $\arg G(i\omega)$: phase(function), phase shift

Example: $G(s) = \frac{2}{s+1}$



Rules for complex numbers

$$z = x + iy$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|, \qquad \left| rac{z_1}{z_2}
ight| = rac{|z_1|}{|z_2|}$$

$$\arg z = \arctan \frac{y}{x}$$
 (if $x > 0$)

$$rg z_1 z_2 = rg z_1 + rg z_2, \qquad rg \frac{z_1}{z_2} = rg z_1 - rg z_2$$

Example:
$$G(s) = \frac{2}{s+1}$$

$$G(i\omega) = \frac{2}{i\omega + 1}$$
$$|G(i\omega)| = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\omega^2 + 1}}$$

$$\arg G(i\omega) = -\arctan\omega$$

$$egin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline \omega & |G(i\omega)| & rg G(i\omega) \ \hline 0 & 2 & 0^{\circ} \ 1 & \sqrt{2} & -45^{\circ} \ \infty & 0 & -90^{\circ} \ \hline \end{array}$$

Bode diagrams

Draw $|G(i\omega)|$ and $\arg G(i\omega)$ as functions of ω

- Amplitude curve $|G(i\omega)|$ drawn in log-log-scale
- Phase curve $\arg G(i\omega)$ draw in log-lin-scale

(MATLAB command: bode)

Example: $G(s) = \frac{2}{s+1}$

Bode Diagram



Mini problem

Read from Bode diagram:

- ▶ How much are inputs with frequency 0.5 rad/s
 - amplified
 - phase shifted
- How much are inputs with frequency 5 rad/s
 - amplified
 - phase shifted

Example: Level dynamics in tank

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Linearized model:

$$\Delta H(s) = \frac{K_1}{sT_1 + 1} \Delta Q(s)$$

System configured so that $K_1 = 2, T_1 = 1 \Rightarrow$

$$\Delta H(s) = \frac{2}{s+1} \Delta Q(s)$$

Inflow $\Delta q(t) = \sin 0.5t$:



Outflow $\Delta q(t) = \sin 5t$:

To draw/interpret Bode diagrams

• Suppose $G(s) = G_1(s)G_2(s)G_3(s)\dots$

Then

$$\log |G(i\omega)| = \log |G_1(i\omega)| + \log |G_2(i\omega)| + \log |G_3(i\omega)| + \dots$$

$$\arg G(i\omega) = \arg G_1(i\omega) + \arg G_2(i\omega) + \arg G_3(i\omega) + \dots$$

► Contribution from *G*₁, *G*₂, *G*₃, ... added in both amplitude and phase diagrams

Typical systems

Will show Bode diagrams for the following systems:

$$\frac{1}{1+sT}, \quad 1+sT$$
 real pole, real zero

$$e^{-sL}$$
 dead time

$$\frac{\omega_0^2}{s^2+2\zeta\,\omega_0s+\omega_0^2}$$
 complex poles

(More examples in book)

Bode diagram for real pole or real zero



A pole in s = −¹/_T bends the amplitude curve down and lowers the phase curve with 90° around ω = ¹/_T; opposite directions for a zero

Bode diagram for dead time



 A dead time lowers phase curve exponentially, does not affect amplitude curve

Bode diagram for complex poles



Complex poles with little damping ζ have big resonance peak at eigen frequency ω₀ in the amplitude curve

Nyquist diagrams

Draws $G(i\omega)$ as curve in complex plane as ω goes from 0 to ∞



(MATLAB command: nyquist)

Example:
$$G(s) = rac{2}{s+1}$$



Stability for feedback systems



Suppose open-loop system $G_0(s) = G_c(s)G_p(s)$ is stable

$$u(t) = \sin \omega t \quad \Rightarrow \quad y(t) = |G_0(i\omega)| \sin(\omega t + \arg G_0(i\omega))$$
$$z(t) = -|G_0(i\omega)| \sin(\omega t + \arg G_0(i\omega))$$
$$= |G_0(i\omega)| \sin(\omega t + \arg G_0(i\omega) + 180^\circ)$$

Stability for feedback systems

If u(t) = z(t) a stable self oscillation occurs after switch flip
 This happens if:

$$|G_0(i\omega)|=1$$

 $rg G_0(i\omega)=-180^\circ$

Nyquist curve for $G_0(s)$ goes through point -1

Nyquist's stability theorem



Suppose that the open-loop system $G_0(s)$ has no poles with positive real part. Then the closed-loop system from u to y is asymptotically stable if -1 is to the left of the Nyquist curve of G_0 when going from $\omega = 0$ to $\omega = \infty$.

(Note: Nyquist diagram for G_0 used to infer stability for closed-loop)

Example



a) as. stable, b) unstable, c) ?, d) ?

Amplitude margin

Amplitude margin shows maximal gain increase before instability:

- Let ω_0 be smallest frequency with $\arg G_0(i\omega_0) = -180^\circ$
- Amplitude margin is given by $A_m = 1/|G_0(i\omega_0)|$



Example (I1 Problem 10)

Transfer function from input to concentration in compartment 3

$$G_3(s) = \frac{1}{(s+3.732)(s+1)(s+0.2679)}$$

Nyquist curve:



Example (I1 problem 10)

Read amplitude margin:

$$rac{1}{A_m}=0.042 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad A_m=24$$

 Interpretation: Maximal gain for P controller is 24 to guarantee a stable closed loop system



Phase margin

Phase margin shows allowed phase decrease before instability:

- Let ω_c be the smallest frequency with $|G_0(i\omega_c)| = 1$
- Phase margin is given by $\varphi_m = 180^\circ + \arg G_0(i\omega_c)$



Amplitude and phase margin in Bode diagram



Robustness

- To get a robust system we want:
 - $A_m \in [2, 6]$
 - ▶ $\varphi_m \in [45^\circ, 60^\circ]$

The bigger the margins, the less sensitive to model errors