



# Design Methods for Control Systems

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# Schedule



March 8 MSt

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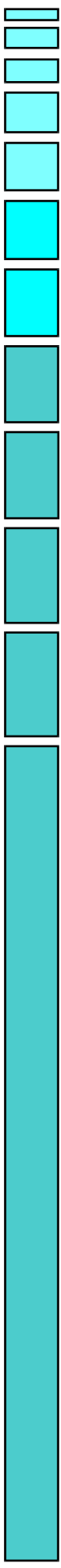
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# Course material



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# Overview



Ch. 1. Introduction to feedback control theory

Ch. 2. Classical control system design

Ch. 3. Design of multivariable control systems

Ch. 4. LQ, LQG and H<sub>2</sub> control system design

Ch. 5. Uncertainty models and robustness

Ch. 6.  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  optimization and  $\mu$ -synthesis

# Scope and features



Mature review of “classical” and  
“modern” control system design techniques

- Linear time-invariant systems
- 70% SISO- 30% MIMO
- Continuous-time
- MATLAB exercises
  - Control toolbox
  - Mu-Tools and Robust Control toolboxes

# Overview



## Ch. 1. Introduction to feedback control theory

### Introduction

Types of control systems

Design issues

Configurations

High-gain feedback

### Stability

Closed-loop characteristic polynomial

Nyquist criterion

Stability margins

### Performance

System functions

Low and high frequencies

### Robustness

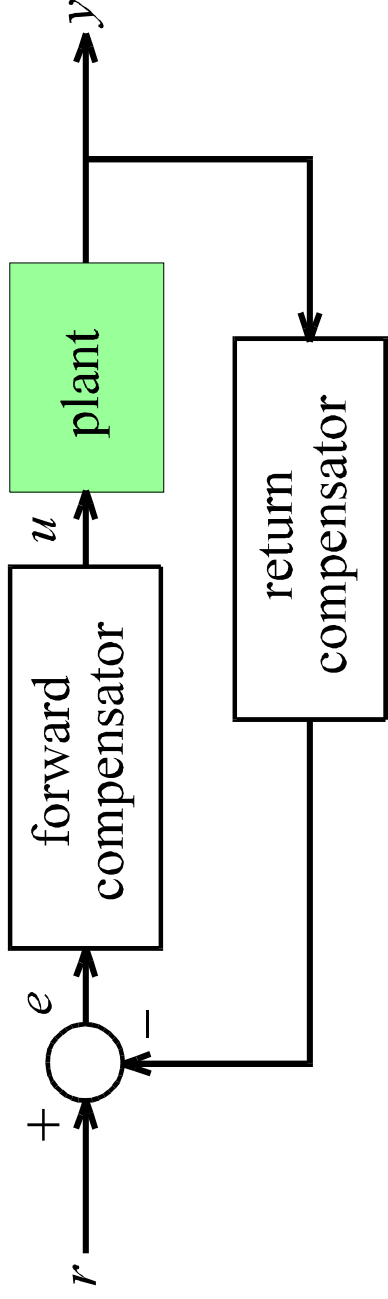
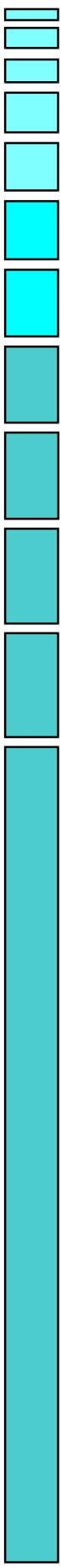
Robustness functions

Loop shaping

Limits of performance

Two-degree-of-freedom control systems

# Types of control systems



- Regulator systems
- Servo or positioning systems
- Tracking systems

# Design issues



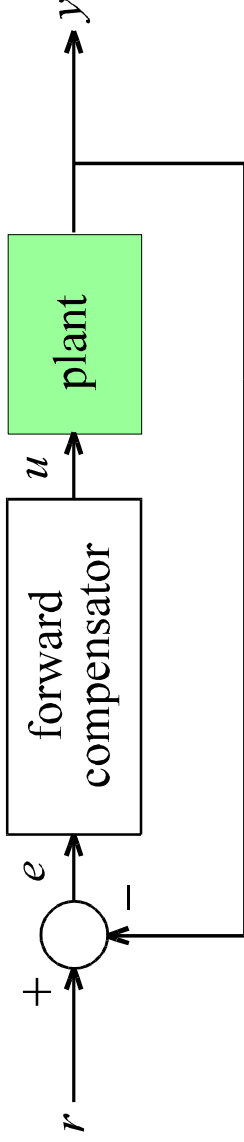
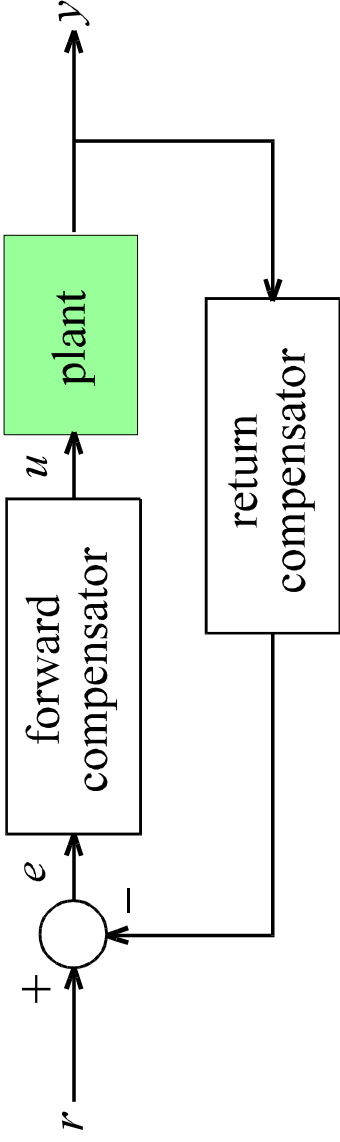
## ***Targets***

- Closed-loop stability
- Disturbance attenuation
- Good command response
- Robustness

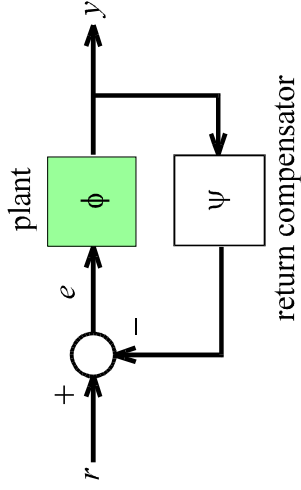
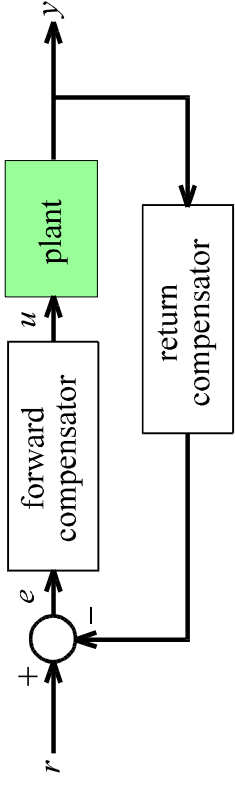
## ***Limitations***

- Plant capacity
- Measurement noise

# Configurations

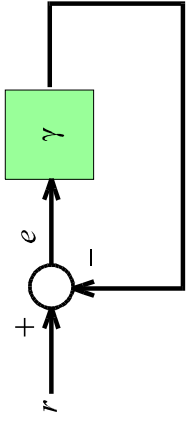


# High-gain feedback-1



Loop gain                      Signal balance

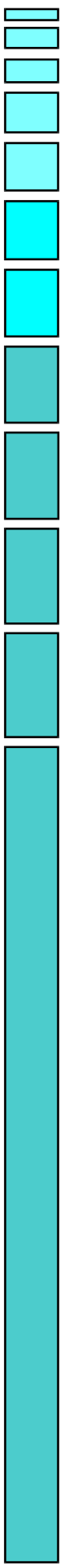
$$\gamma = \psi \circ \phi \qquad e = r - \gamma(e)$$



Feedback equation

$$e + \gamma(e) = r$$

# High-gain feedback-2



Feedback equation

$$e + \gamma(e) = r$$

High gain:

$$|\gamma(e)| \gg |e|$$

Implies:

$$\gamma(e) \approx r$$

Hence:

$$|e| \ll |r| \Rightarrow r \approx \psi(y)$$

So that

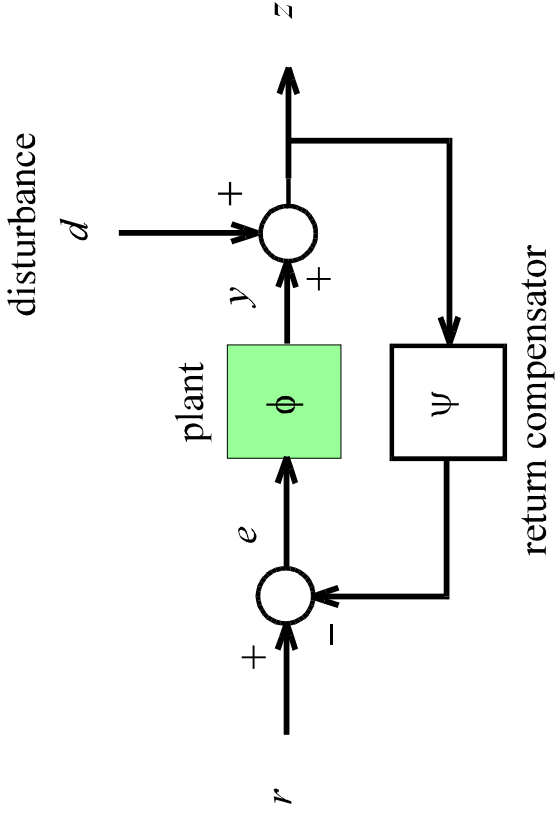
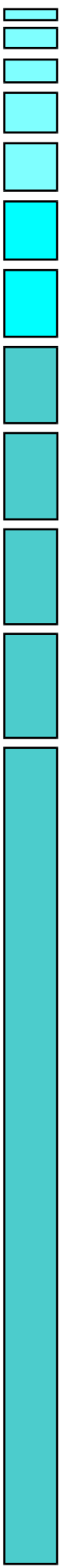
$$y \approx \psi^{-1}(r)$$

In case of unit feedback

$$y \approx r$$

**Good tracking**

# High-gain feedback-3



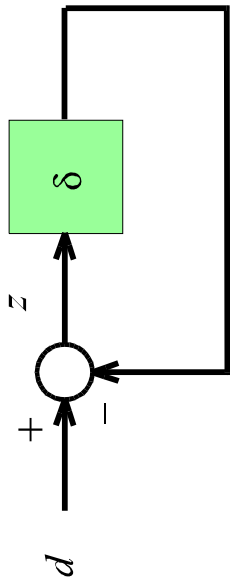
Loop gain  $\delta = (-\phi) \circ (-\psi)$

Signal balance:  $z = d - \delta(z)$

High gain:  $|\delta(z)| \gg |z|$

Hence:  $|z| \ll |d|$

**Good disturbance reduction**



# High-gain feedback-4



Need *closed-loop stability*

- Good tracking and disturbance attenuation are retained as long as
  - the closed-loop system remains stable
  - the gain remains high

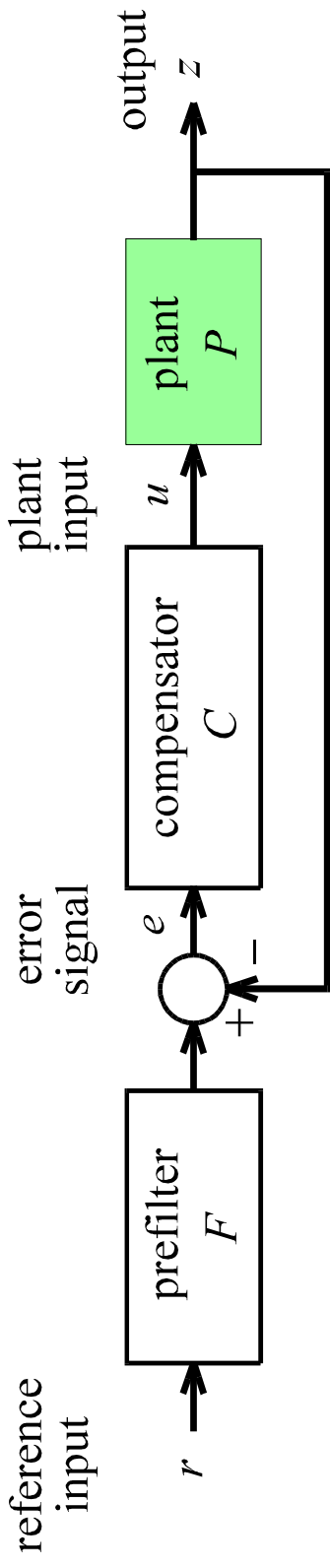
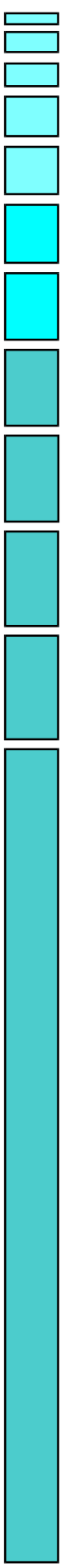
Under these conditions high-gain feedback implies **robustness** with respect to loop uncertainty

# Pitfalls of high-gain feedback



- High-gain feedback has pitfalls:
- Naively making the gain large easily results in an *unstable* feedback system
- Even if the feedback system is stable overly large plant inputs may occur that exceed the plant capacity
- Measurement noise causes loss of performance

# Stability-1

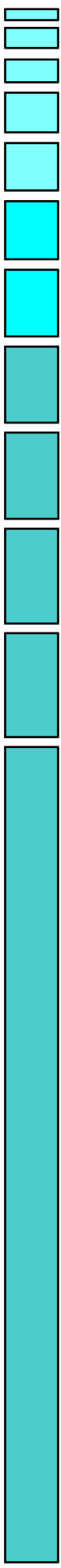


State space representation:

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Br(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} e(t) \\ u(t) \\ z(t) \end{bmatrix} = Cx(t) + Dr(t)$$

# Stability-2



$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Br(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} e(t) \\ u(t) \\ z(t) \end{bmatrix} = Cx(t) + Dr(t)$$

The closed-loop system is *stable* if its state space representation is *asymptotically stable*

Equivalent statements:

- $x(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  for every solution of  $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t)$
- All eigenvalues of  $A$  have strictly negative real parts
- All roots of  $\det(sI - A)$  have strictly negative real parts

# Stability-3



The control system is *BIBO stable* if every bounded input signal  $r$  results in bounded output signals  $e$ ,  $u$  and  $z$ .

BIBO = “bounded input bounded output”

Asymptotic stability  $\Rightarrow$  BIBO stability

The converse is *not* true

# Stability-4



## Internal stability

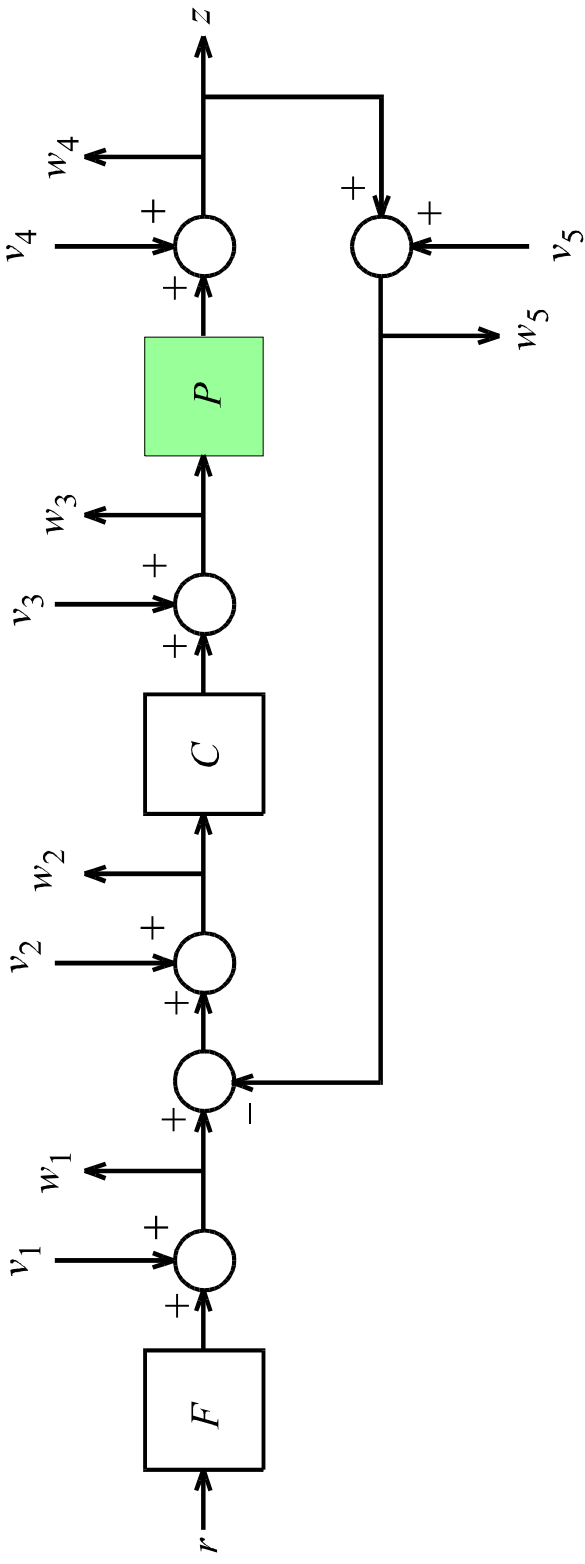
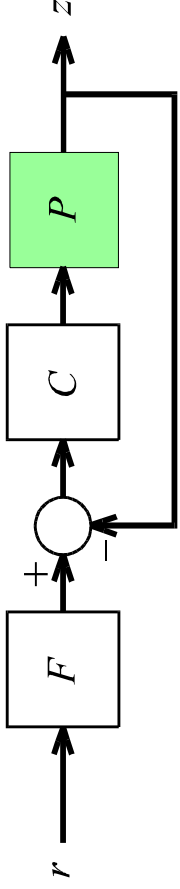
Inject “internal” signals into each “exposed interconnection” of the system, and define additional “internal” output signals after each injection point

Then the system is *internally stable* if it is BIBO stable with respect to all inputs (external and internal) and all (external and internal) outputs

# Stability-5



Example



# Stability-6

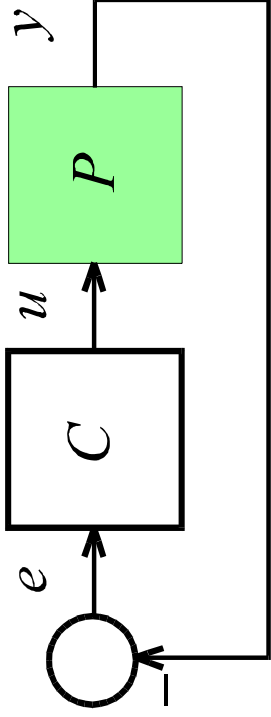


If each component system is stabilizable and detectable  
("has no hidden unstable modes") then

Stability  $\Leftrightarrow$  Internal stability

When input-output descriptions are used (such as  
transfer functions) internal stability is often easier to  
check than asymptotic stability

# Closed-loop characteristic polynomial-1



State space representation of the open-loop system:

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Be(t)$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t) + De(t)$$

Characteristic polynomial:

$$\chi(s) = \det(sI - A)$$

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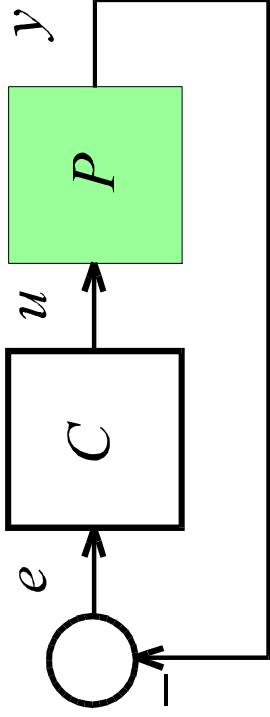
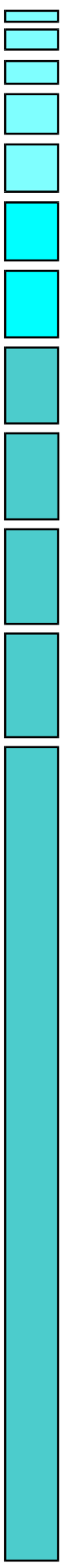
$$\dot{x}(t) = A_{cl}x(t),$$

$$A_{cl} = A - B(I + D)^{-1}C$$

Characteristic polynomial:

$$\chi_{cl}(s) = \det(sI - A_{cl})$$

# Closed-loop characteristic polynomial-2



$P(s)$  plant transfer matrix

$C(s)$  compensator transfer matrix

$L(s) = P(s)C(s)$  loop gain transfer matrix

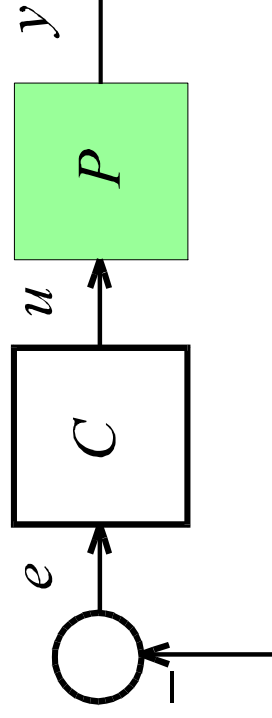
Then

$$\chi_{cl}(s) = \chi(s) \frac{\det(I + L(s))}{\det(I + L(\infty))}$$

# Closed-loop characteristic polynomial-3



$$\chi_{cl}(s) = \chi(s) \frac{\det(I + L(s))}{\det(I + L(\infty))}$$



SISO case:  $L(s) = P(s)C(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} \cdot \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)}$

Then (within a nonzero constant factor)

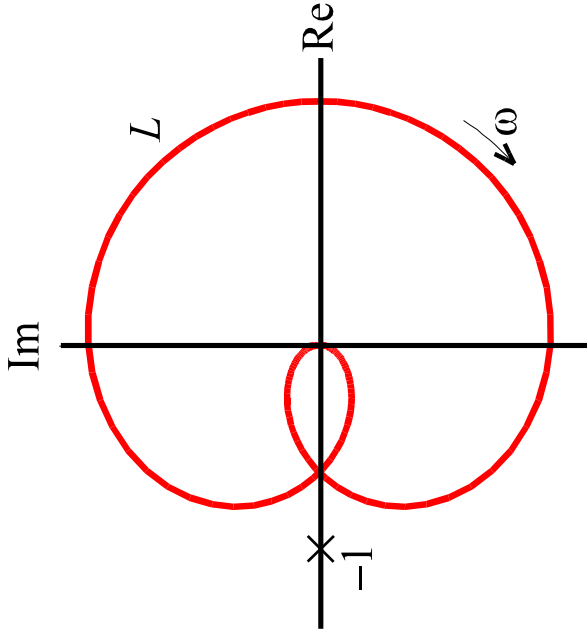
$$\chi(s) = D(s)X(s) \quad \chi_{cl}(s) = D(s)X(s) + N(s)Y(s)$$

# Nyquist criterion



Consider the SISO case

The locus of  $L(j\omega)$ ,  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$  in the complex plane is called the *Nyquist plot* of the loop gain



The number of unstable closed-loop poles

=

The number of times the Nyquist plot encircles the point  $-1$

+

The number of unstable open-loop poles

# Generalized Nyquist criterion



Consider the MIMO case

The number of unstable closed-loop poles

=

The number of times the locus of

$$\det(I + L(j\omega)), \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

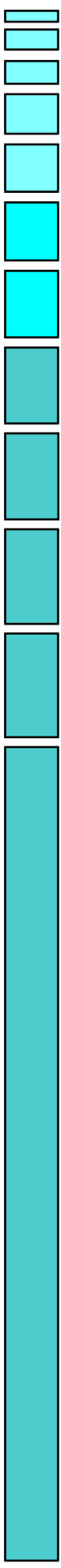
encircles the origin

+

The number of unstable open-loop poles

(Principle of the argument)

# Stability margins-1

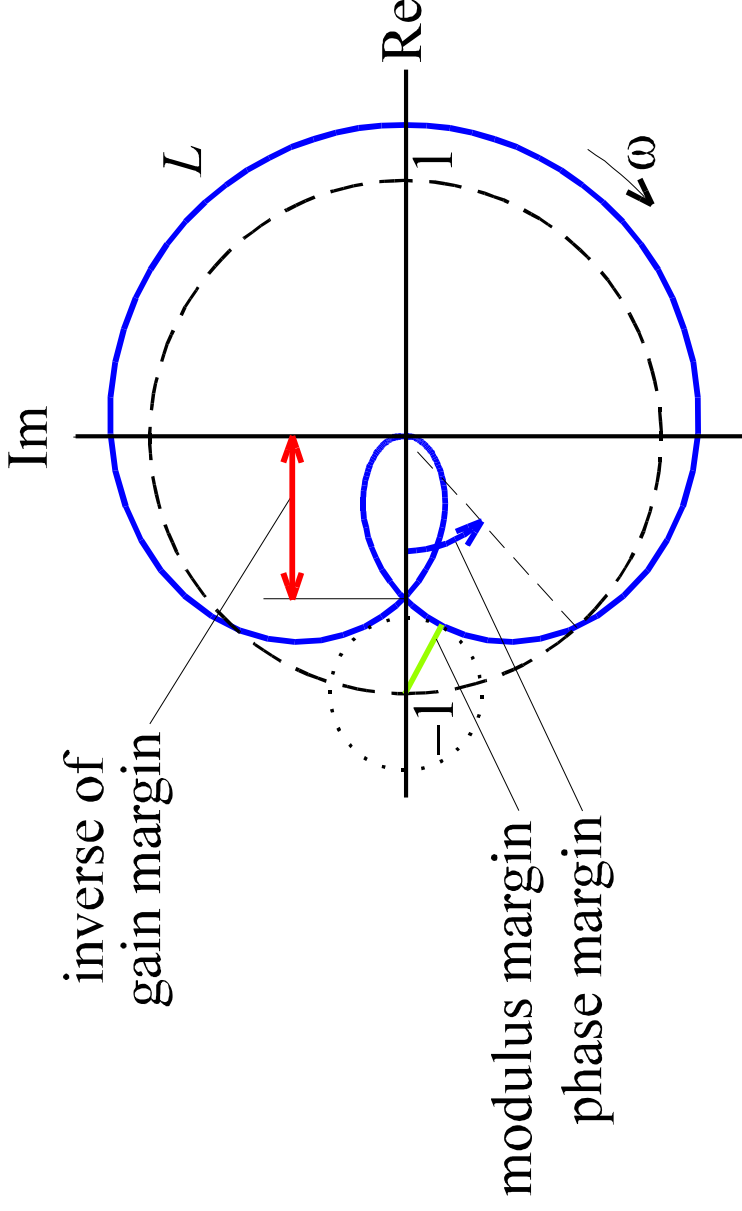


- In the SISO case, the point  $-1$  is a *critical point* for the Nyquist plot of the closed-loop system. If the Nyquist plot is changed so that it crosses the point  $-1$  then the system becomes unstable
- If the closed-loop system is stable but the Nyquist plot passes closely by  $-1$  then
- the system is near-unstable, that is, has an oscillatory response
- the system may become unstable by small perturbations of the plant, that is, the system is not robust

# Stability margins-2



There exist various *stability margins*. They measure how close the Nyquist plot gets to  $-1$

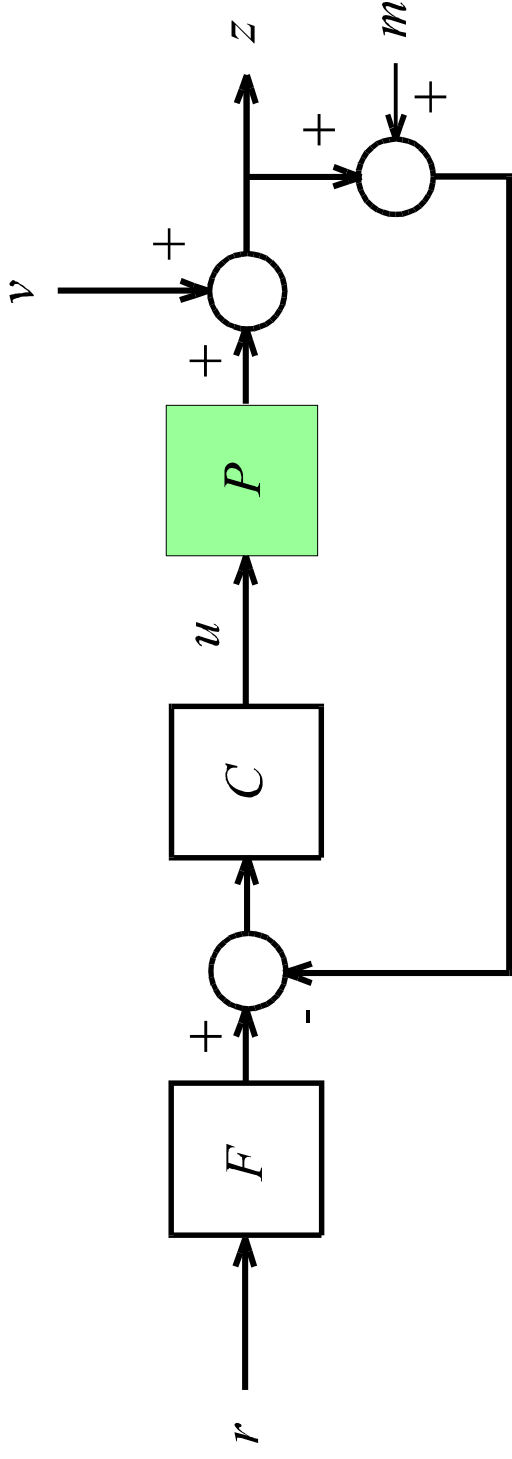


Gain margin  $k_m$

Phase margin  $\phi_m$

Modulus margin  $\tau_m$   
(Landau)

# System functions: $L$ and $S$



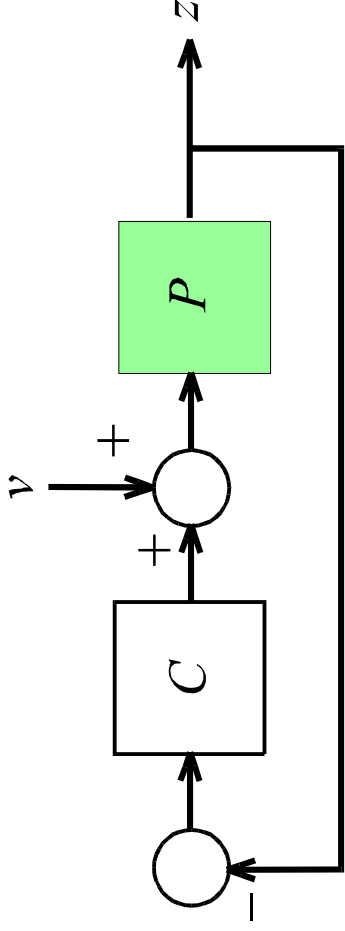
**Loop gain  $L$**

$$L = PC$$

**Sensitivity function  $S$**

$$z = \frac{1}{\underbrace{1+L}_S} v$$

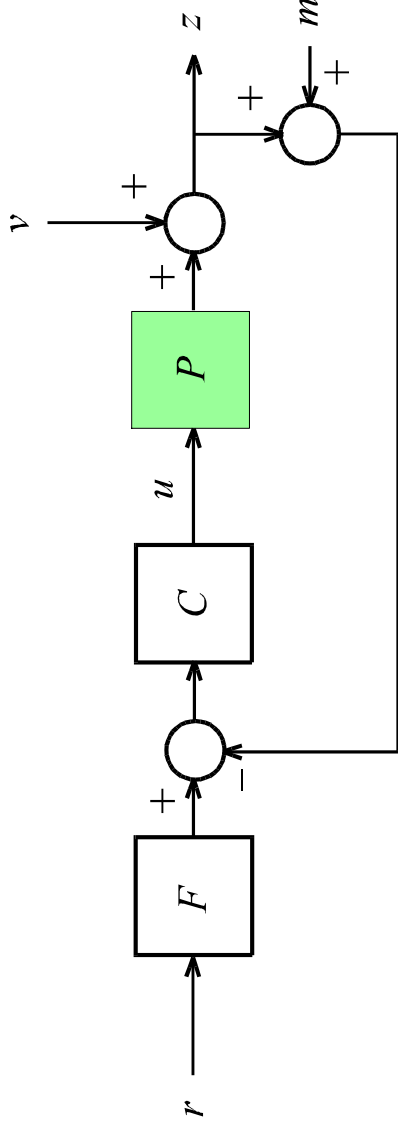
# System functions: $R$



***Input disturbance ('proces') sensitivity  
function  $R$***

$$z = \frac{1}{1+L} P v = \underbrace{SP}_{R} v$$

# System functions: $H$ and $T$



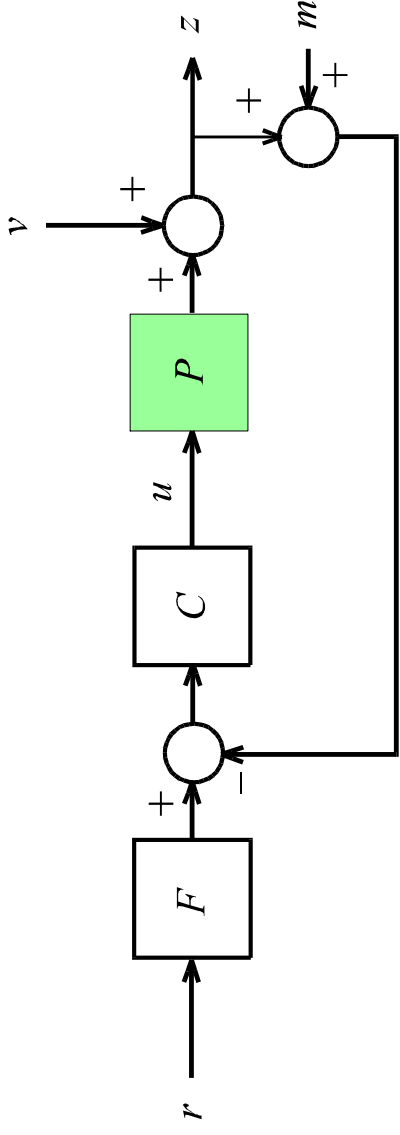
**Closed-loop transfer function  $H$**

$$z = \underbrace{\frac{L}{1+L}}_H F r$$

**Complementary sensitivity function  $T$**

$$H = \frac{L}{\underbrace{1+L}_T} F$$

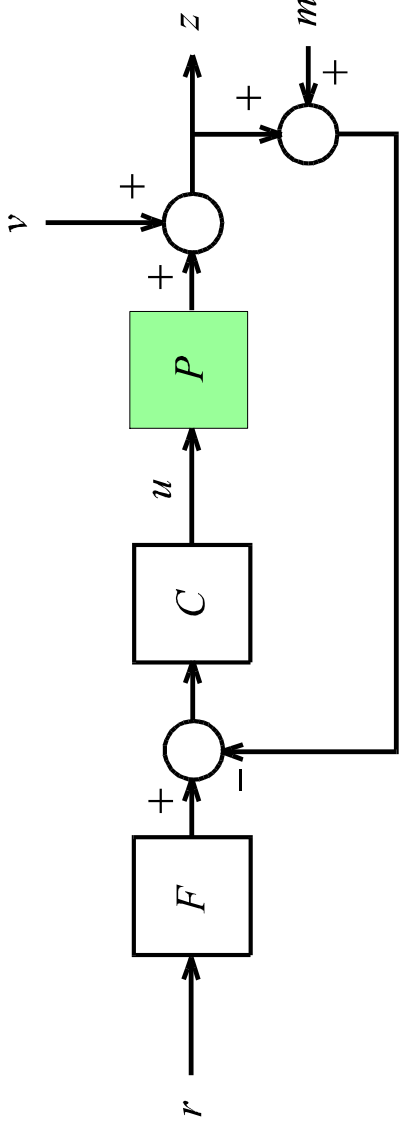
# System functions: $U$



**Input ('control') sensitivity function  $U$**

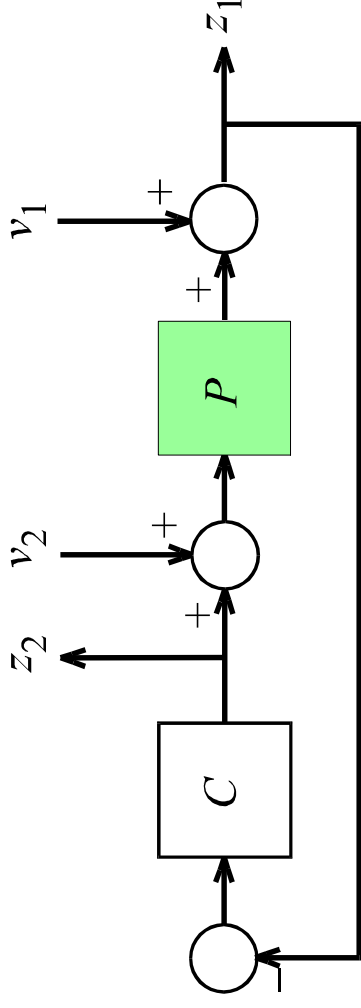
$$u = \frac{C}{1 + \underbrace{CP}_U} (Fr - m - v)$$

# Measurement noise



$$z = \underbrace{\frac{1}{1+PC}}_S v + \underbrace{\frac{PC}{1+PC}}_T Fr - \underbrace{\frac{PC}{1+PC}}_T m$$

# S, R, U and T



$$\begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{1+PC} & \frac{P}{1+PC} \\ -\frac{C}{1+PC} & \frac{PC}{1+PC} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S & R \\ -U & -T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Design interrelations



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

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

$$U = T/P$$

$$R = SP$$

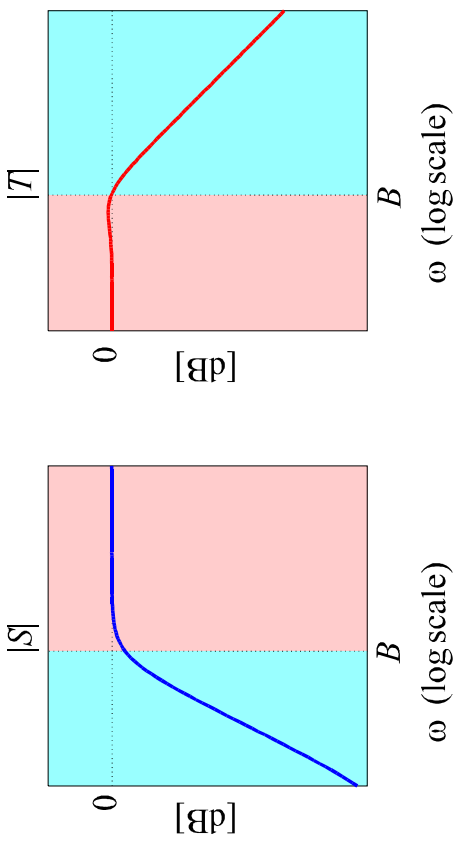
$$H = TF$$

*S and T are suitable objects for manipulation*

# Low and high frequencies-1



Typical shapes for  $S$  and  $T$



	$S$	$T$
low frequencies	small	$\cong 1$
high frequencies	$\cong 1$	small

# Low and high frequencies-2



Loop gain  $L$

- large at low frequencies:  $|L(j\omega)| \gg 1$ ,  $S \approx 1/L$ ,  $T \approx 1$
- small at high frequencies:  $|L(j\omega)| \ll 1$ ,  $S \approx 1$ ,  $T \approx L$
- *Crossover region*:  $|L(j\omega)| \approx 1$

# Low and high frequencies-3



*input sensitivity*

$$U = T / P = \frac{C}{1 + PC} \approx \begin{cases} 1/P & \text{for low frequencies} \\ C & \text{for high frequencies} \end{cases}$$

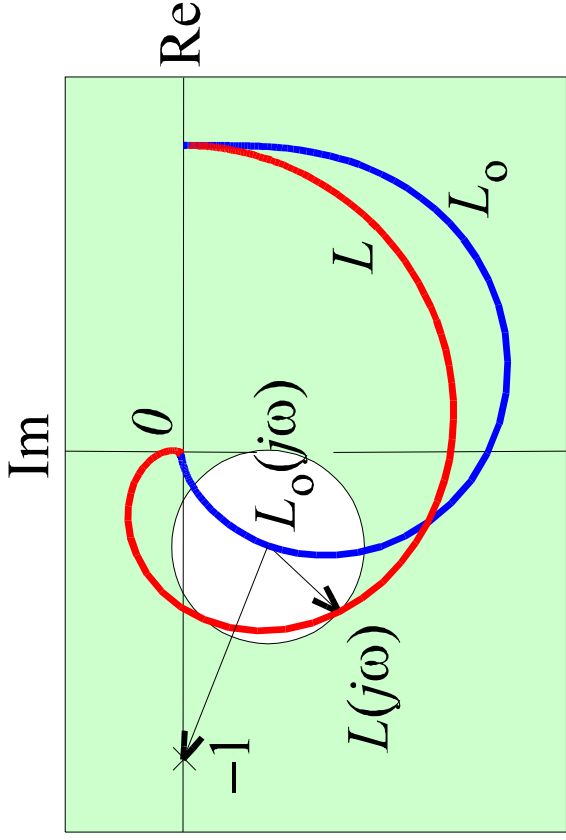
*input disturbance sensitivity*

$$R = SP = \frac{P}{1 + PC} \approx \begin{cases} 1/C & \text{for low frequencies} \\ P & \text{for high frequencies} \end{cases}$$

*closed-loop transfer function*

$$H = TF \quad F \text{ corrects } T$$

# Robustness functions-1



Sufficient condition for stability under perturbation:

$$|L(j\omega) - L_o(j\omega)| < |1 + L_o(j\omega)|, \quad \omega \in \mathbf{R}$$

# Robustness functions-2



Equivalently,

$$\left| \frac{L(j\omega) - L_o(j\omega)}{L_o(j\omega)} \right| < \left| \frac{1 + L_o(j\omega)}{L_o(j\omega)} \right|, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

or

$$\left| \frac{L(j\omega) - L_o(j\omega)}{L_o(j\omega)} \right| < \left| \frac{1}{T_o(j\omega)} \right|, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

# Robustness functions-3



Bound on the relative size of perturbations:

$$\left| \frac{L(j\omega) - L_o(j\omega)}{L_o(j\omega)} \right| \leq |W_1(j\omega)|, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

Sufficient and necessary condition for stability under all perturbations that satisfy the bound:

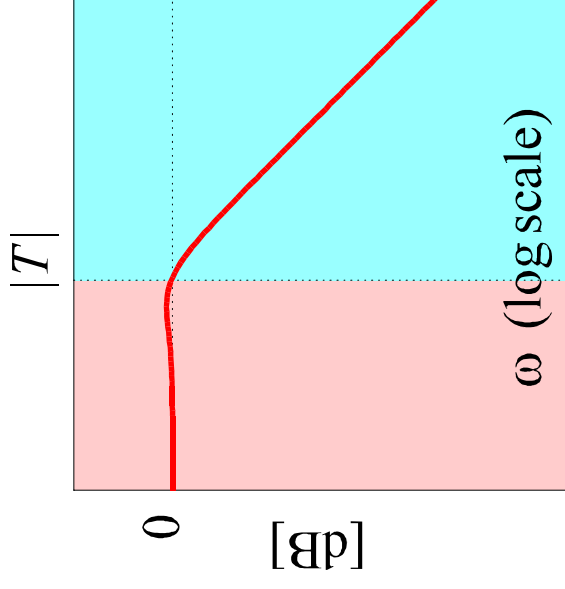
$$|W_1(j\omega)| < \frac{1}{|T_o(j\omega)|}, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

# Robustness functions-4



Size of the smallest perturbation that may destabilize the system:

$$|W_1(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{|T_o(j\omega)|}, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$



perturbations restricted in size

increasingly large perturbations

# Robustness functions-5

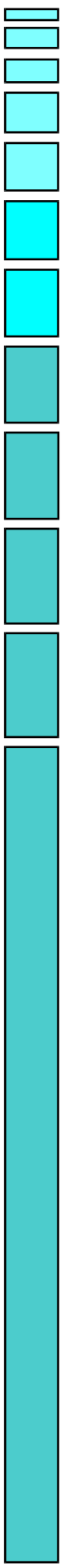


The preceding discussion focuses on preventing the Nyquist plot of the loop gain  $L$  from crossing the point  $-1$ . Preventing the *inverse Nyquist plot* – that is, the Nyquist plot of  $1/L$  – from crossing the point  $-1$  also guarantees stability.

Sufficient condition:

$$\left| \frac{1}{L(j\omega)} - \frac{1}{L_o(j\omega)} \right| < \left| 1 + \frac{1}{L_o(j\omega)} \right|, \quad \omega \in \mathbf{R}$$

# Robustness functions-6



Equivalently,

$$\left| \frac{1}{L(j\omega)} - \frac{1}{L_o(j\omega)} \right| < \frac{1}{|S_o(j\omega)|}, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

# Robustness functions-7



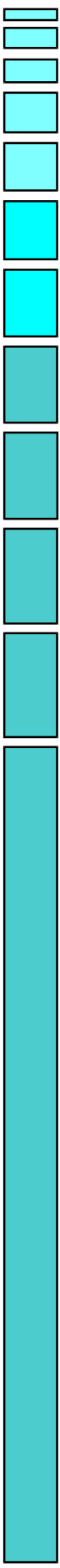
Consider perturbations such that

$$\left| \frac{1}{L(j\omega)} - \frac{1}{L_o(j\omega)} \right| \leq |W_2(j\omega)|, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

Sufficient and necessary condition for robust stability:

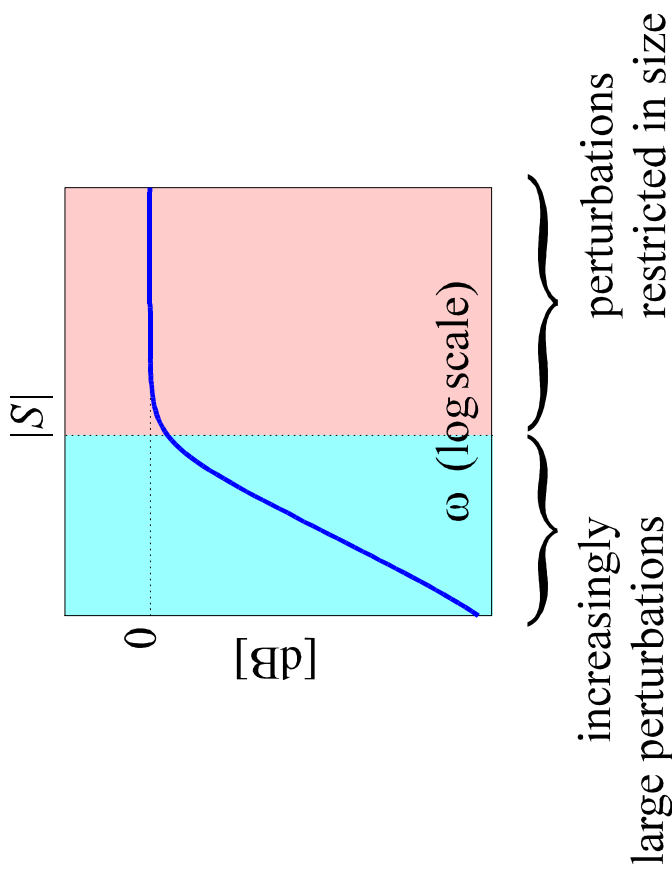
$$|W_2(j\omega)| < \frac{1}{|S_o(j\omega)|}, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

# Robustness functions-8



Size of the smallest perturbation that may destabilize the system:

$$|W_2(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{|S_o(j\omega)|}, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$



# Combined robustness test-1



Define

$$\delta_L(j\omega) = \left| \frac{L(j\omega) - L_o(j\omega)}{L_o(j\omega)} \right|$$

$$\delta_{L^{-1}}(j\omega) = \left| \frac{\frac{1}{L(j\omega)} - \frac{1}{L_o(j\omega)}}{\frac{1}{L_o(j\omega)}} \right|$$

# Combined robustness test-2



Then the perturbed closed-loop system is stable if

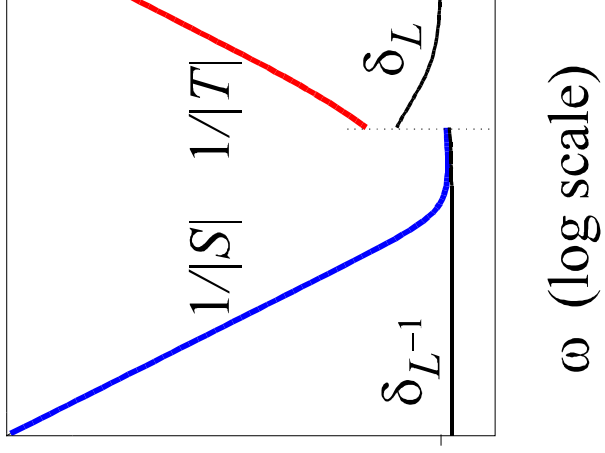
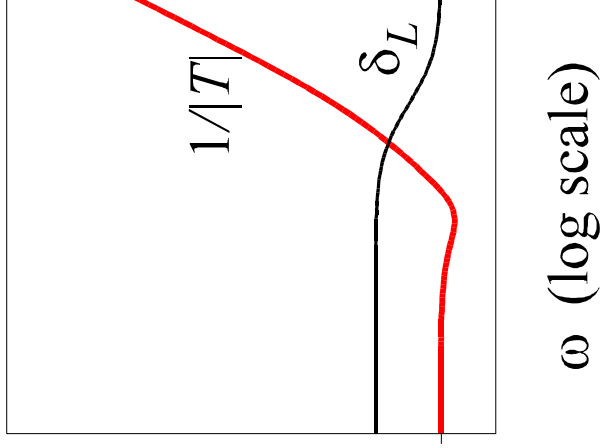
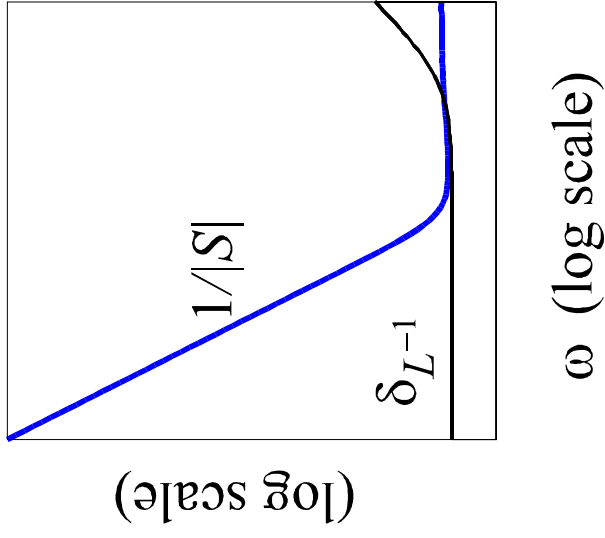
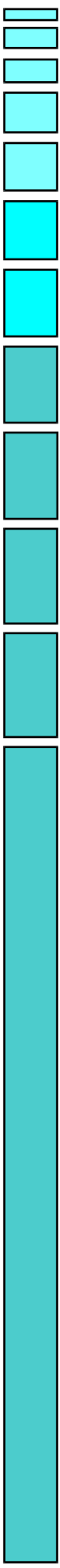
$$\forall \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$|\delta_{L^{-1}}(j\omega)| < \frac{1}{|S(j\omega)|} \quad \text{or} \quad |\delta_L(j\omega)| < \frac{1}{|T(j\omega)|}$$

typically satisfied  
at **low** frequencies

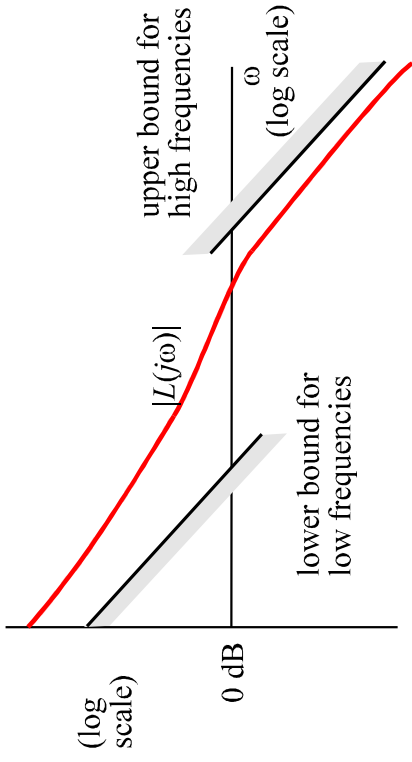
typically satisfied  
at **high** frequencies

# Combined robustness test-3



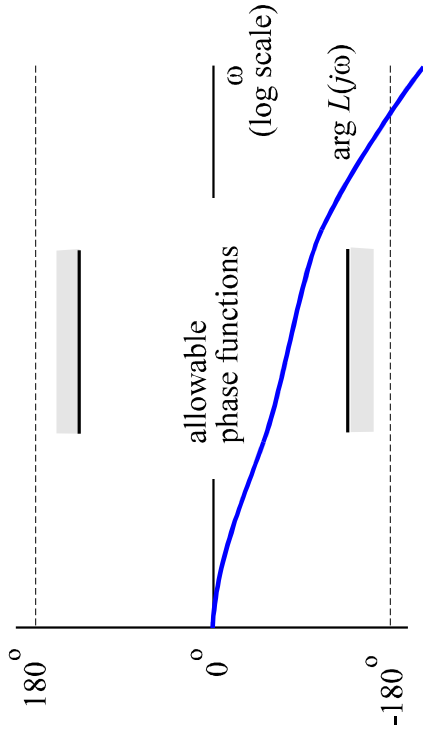
**Critical frequency region: crossover area**

# Loop shaping



Low frequencies: large loop gain

High frequencies: small loop gain



In the crossover region the phase is constrained because of stability

# Bode's gain-phase relationship-1



Between break frequencies the loop gain behaves as

$$L(j\omega) \approx c(j\omega)^n$$

Hence

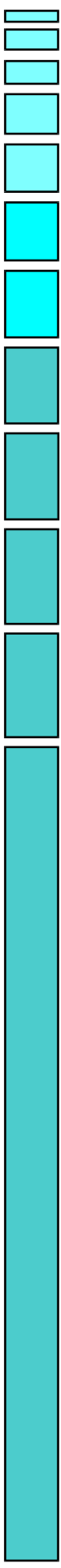
$$|L(j\omega)| \approx c\omega^n$$

$$\arg L(j\omega) \approx n \times \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Phase and magnitude do not behave independently

*Bode's gain-phase relationship* describes the relation more accurately

# Bode's gain-phase relationship-2



The limitations imposed by stability on the phase in the crossover region by Bode's gain-phase relationship limit the rate at which the loop gain decreases:

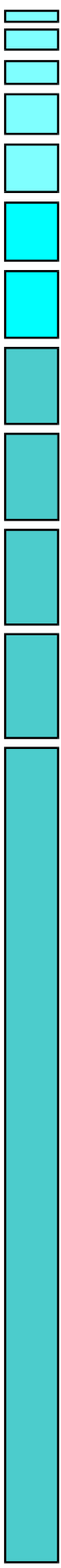
If, say,

$$\arg L(j\omega) \approx -\frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{in the crossover region}$$

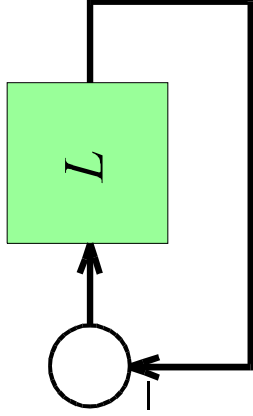
then

$$|L(j\omega)| \approx c \omega^{-1} \quad \text{in the crossover region}$$

# Limits of performance



- Bode's integral
- The Freudenberg-Looze equalities



Limitations are imposed by

- causality
- the pole-zero configuration

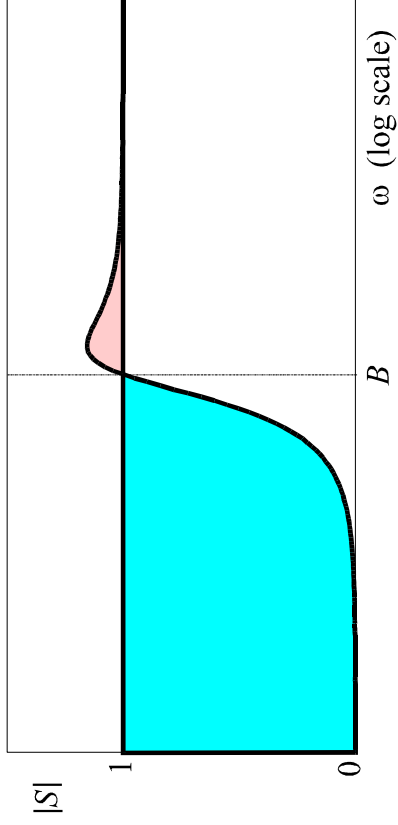
# Bode's integral-1



If  $L$  has at least two more poles than zeros then

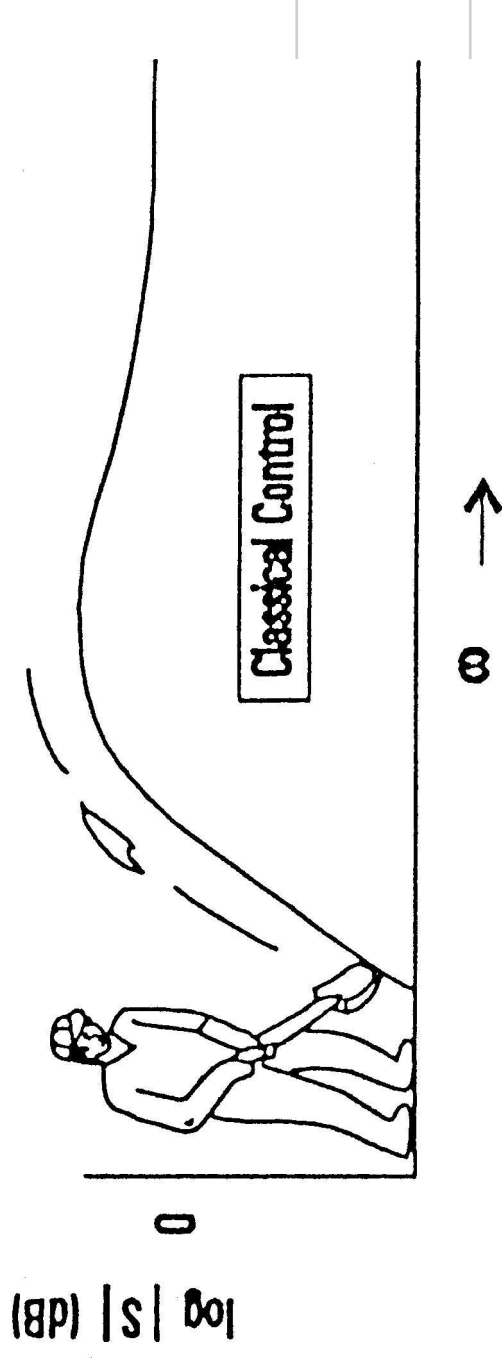
$$\int_0^{\infty} \log |S(j\omega)| d\omega = \pi \sum_i \operatorname{Re} p_i \geq 0$$

The  $p_i$  are the right-half plane poles of the loop gain.

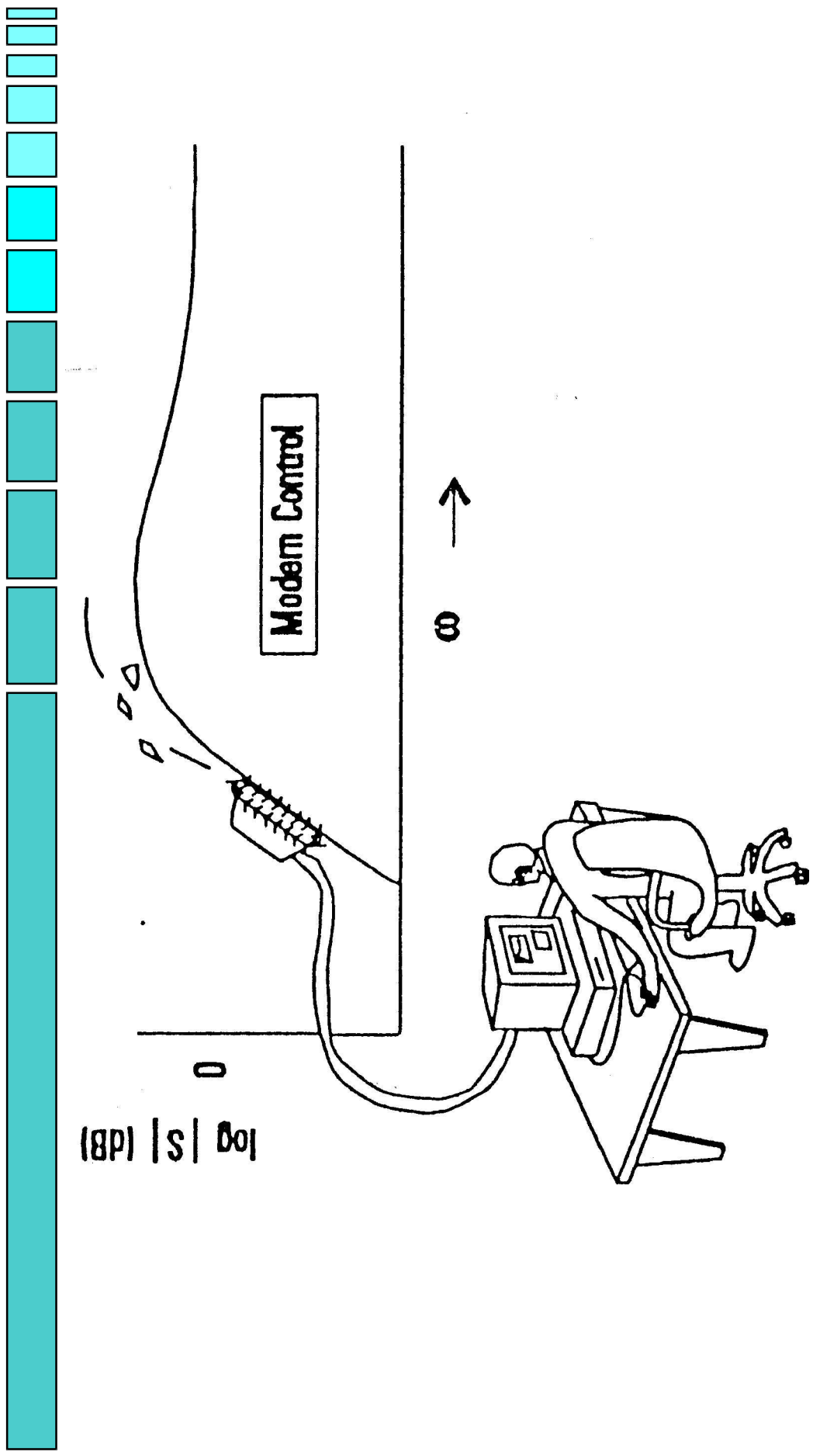


Proof: Use the Poisson integral from complex function theory

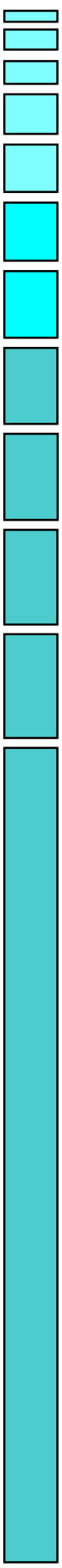
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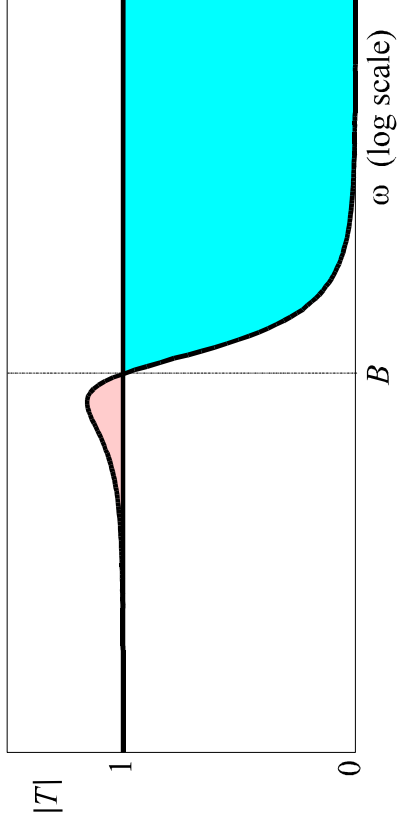
# Bode's integral-2



“Dual” result: Suppose that the loop has integrating action of at least order 2. Then

$$\int_0^{\infty} \log |T(j\omega)| d\omega = \pi \sum_i \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{z_i} \geq 0$$

The  $z_i$  are the right-half plane zeros of the loop gain.



# Freudenberg-Looze equality-1



Let  $z$  be any right-half plane zero of the loop gain. Poisson's formula of complex function theory leads to the equality

$$\int_0^\infty \log(|S(j\omega)|) dW_z(\omega) = \log |B_{\text{poles}}^{-1}(z)| \geq 0$$

*Strengthens Bode's integral*

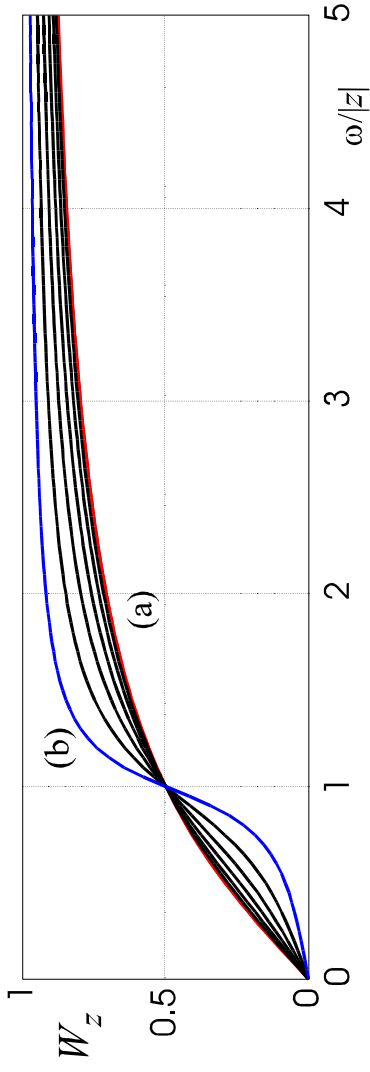
$$W_z(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \arctan \frac{\omega - \text{Im } z}{\text{Re } z} + \frac{1}{\pi} \arctan \frac{\omega + \text{Im } z}{\text{Re } z}$$

*Increasing function.  
Rises most steeply at  $|z|$ .*

$$B_{\text{poles}}(s) = \prod_i \frac{p_i - s}{\bar{p}_i + s}$$

*Blaschke product*

# Freudenberg-Looze equality-2



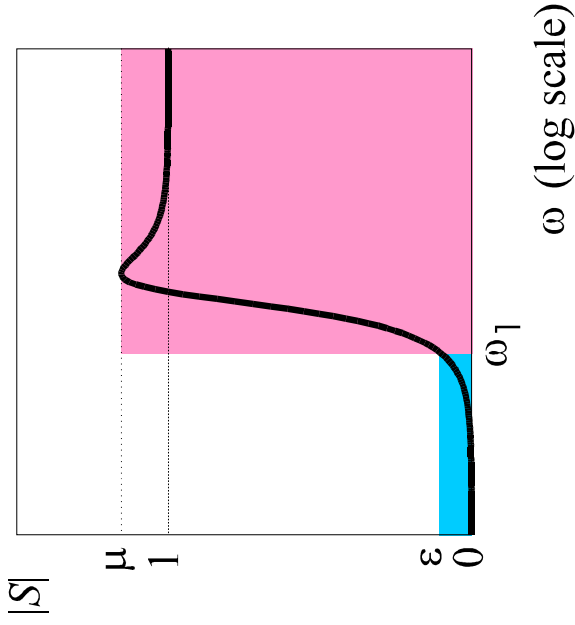
$W_z$  for different values of  $\arg z$

(a)  $\arg z = 0$

(b)  $\arg z$  is almost  $\pi/2$

Frequencies where  $W_z$  rises most steeply contribute most to the integral

# Freudenberg-Looze equality-3



The bounds for  $|S|$  hold provided

$$\mu \geq \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right)^{\frac{W_z(\omega_1)}{1-W_z(\omega_1)}} \cdot |B_{\text{poles}}^{-1}(z)|^{\frac{1}{1-W_z(\omega_1)}}$$

The dependence of the right-hand side on the various parameters may be analyzed

# Freudenberg-Looze equality-4

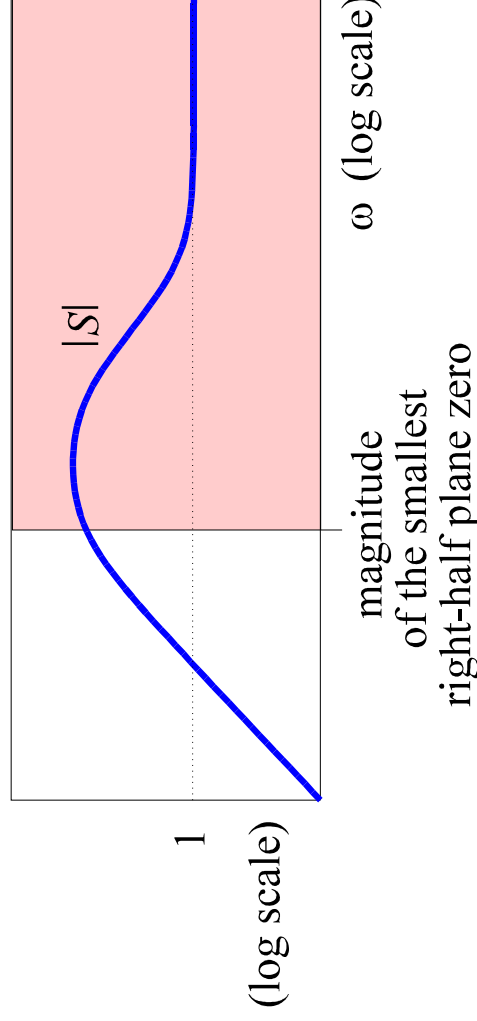


## Effects of right-half plane zeros on $S$

ISI may be made small up to the frequency  $\min_i |z_i|$ .

Attempting to make ISI small beyond this frequency makes ISI peak

- Right-half plane poles further impair the achievable reduction of ISI (in particular, nearly-cancelling right-half plane pole-zero pairs)



# Freudenberg-Looze equality-5



Rederivation of the Freudenberg-Looze equality while

- replacing  $L$  with  $1/L$ , so that  $S = \frac{1}{1+L} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{L}} = \frac{L}{1+L} = T$
- interchanging the roles of the poles and the zeros

leads to

$$\int_0^\infty \log(|T(j\omega)|) dW_p(\omega) = \log |B_{\text{zeros}}^{-1}(p)| \geq 0$$

# Freudenberg-Looze equality-6



$$\int_0^{\infty} \log(|T(j\omega)|) dW_p(\omega) = \log |B_{\text{zeros}}^{-1}(p)| \geq 0$$

$p$  is any right-half plane pole of the loop gain, and

$$B_{\text{zeros}}(s) = \prod_i \frac{z_i - s}{\bar{z}_i + s}$$

In the application of the equality, interchange the roles of *low* and *high* frequencies

# Freudenberg-Looze equality-7

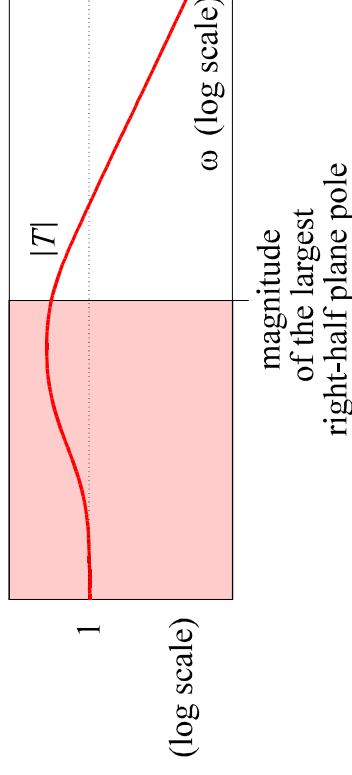


## Effects of right-half plane poles on $T$

$|T|$  may be made small above the frequency  $\max_i |p_i|$ .

Attempting to make  $|T|$  small below this frequency makes  $|T|$  peak

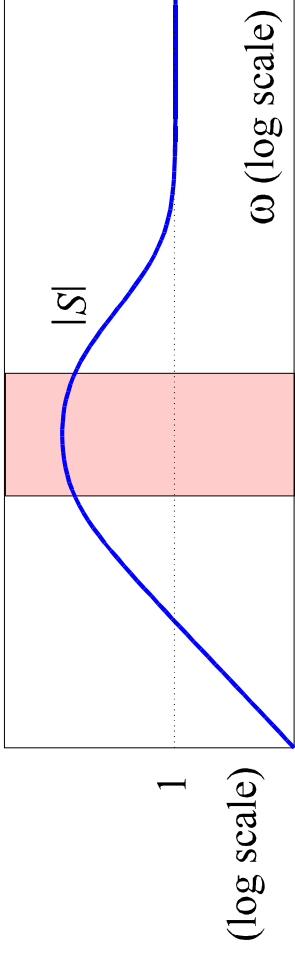
- Right-half plane zeros further impair the achievable reduction of  $|T|$  (in particular, nearly-cancelling right-half plane pole-zero pairs)



# Freudenberg-Looze equality-8

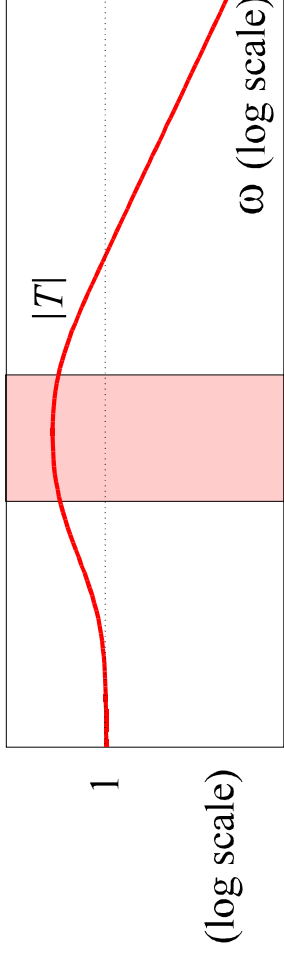


## Consequences for $S$ and $T$



magnitude of the smallest  
right-half plane zero

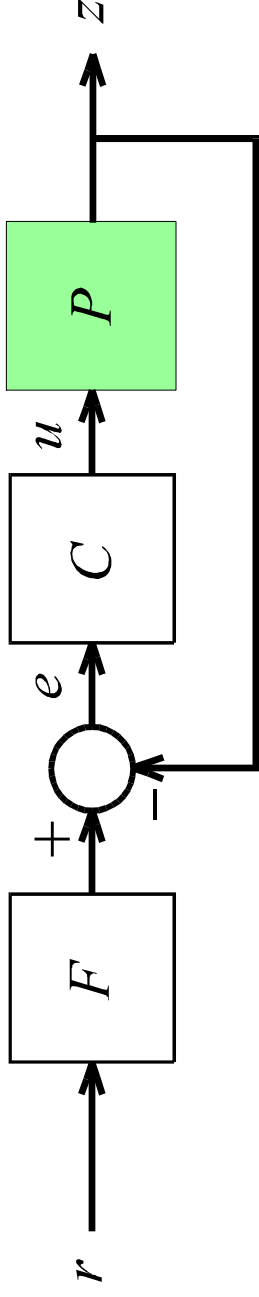
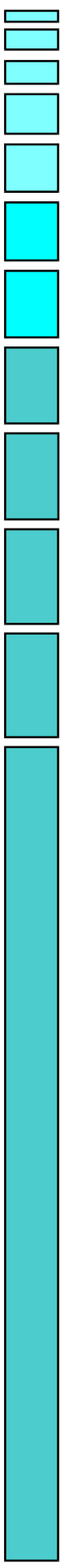
magnitude of the largest  
right-half plane pole



magnitude of the smallest  
right-half plane zero

magnitude of the largest  
right-half plane pole

# Two-degree-of-freedom systems-1



$$\text{Let } P = \frac{N}{D}, \quad C = \frac{Y}{X}$$

Then the closed-loop transfer function is

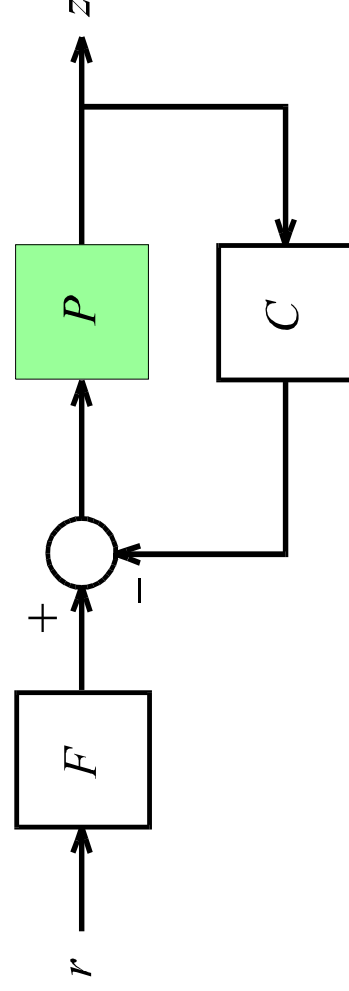
$$H = \frac{PC}{1+PC} F = \frac{NY}{D_{cl}} F \quad D_{cl} = DX + NY$$

with  $D_{cl}$  the closed-loop characteristic polynomial

# Two-degree-of-freedom systems-2



Other two-degree-of-freedom configuration:



$$H = \frac{NX}{D_{cl}} F$$

has zeros at the roots of  $N$  and  $X$

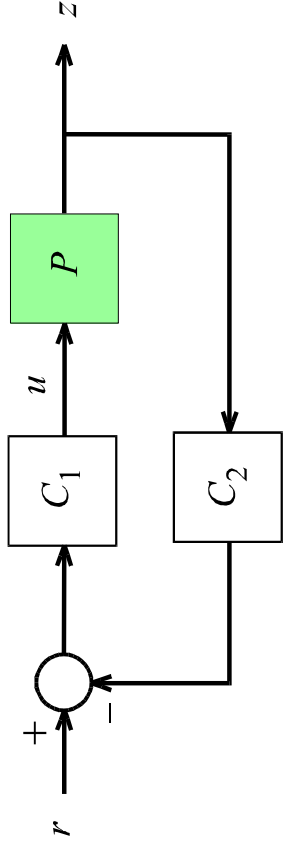
$$H = \frac{NY}{D_{cl}} F \quad \text{has zeros at the roots of } N \text{ and } Y$$

Can the zeros of  $H$  be made independent of the feedback compensator?

# Two-degree-of-freedom systems-3



Further two-degree-of-freedom configuration



$$P = \frac{N}{D}, \quad C_1 = \frac{Y_1}{X_1} \quad C_2 = \frac{Y_2}{X_2}$$

Need  $X_1 X_2 = X$ ,  $Y_1 Y_2 = Y$   
to achieve the same loop  
gain as in the two previous  
cases

Have

$$H = \frac{PC_1}{1+PC} = \frac{NX_2 Y_1}{D_{cl}}$$

# Two-degree-of-freedom systems-4



$$H = \frac{NX_2Y_1}{D_{cl}}$$

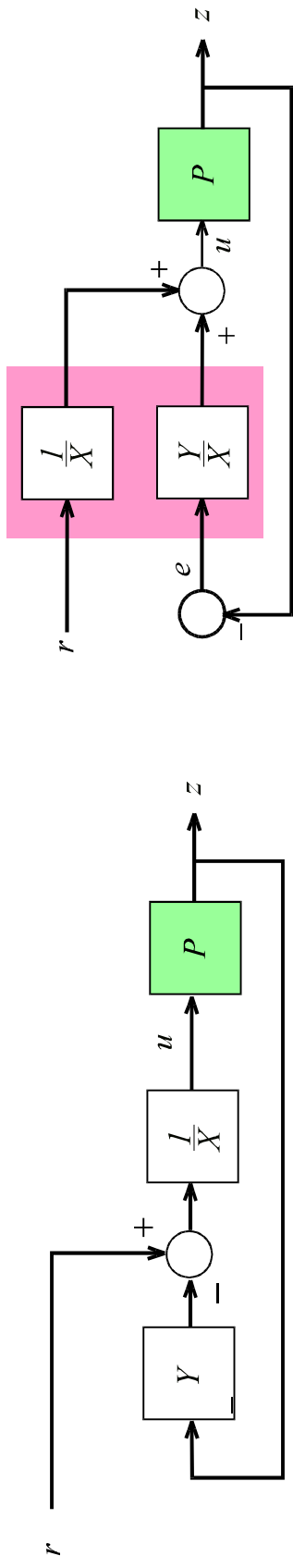
$H$  is independent of the compensator if we let

$$Y_1 = X_2 = 1 \Rightarrow Y_2 = Y, \quad X_1 = X$$

so that

$$C_1 = \frac{1}{X}, \quad C_2 = Y, \quad H = \frac{N}{D_{cl}}$$

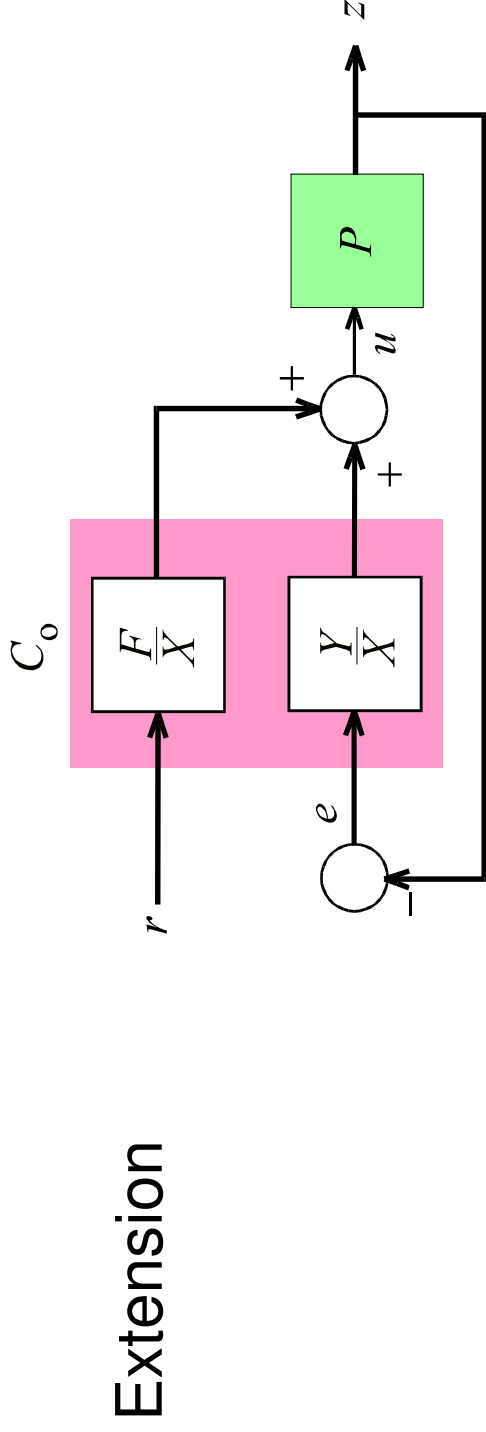
# Two-degree-of-freedom systems-5



Resulting feedback system

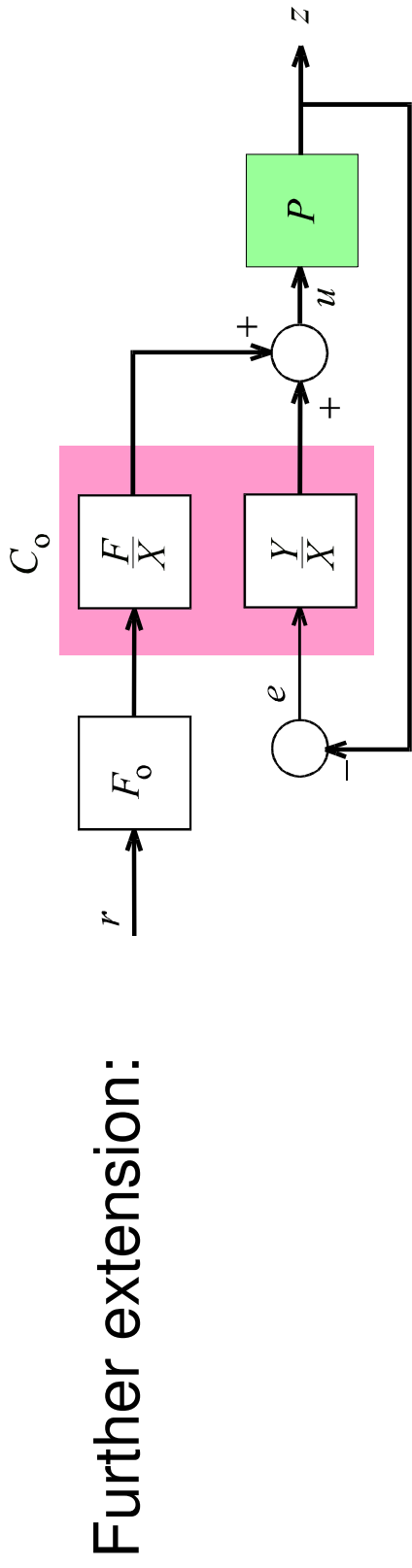
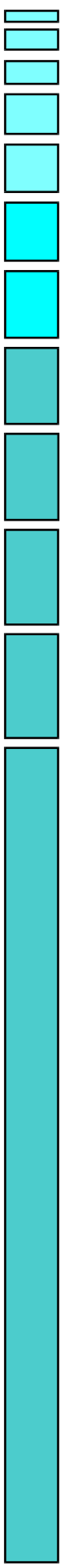
Equivalent configuration

# Two-degree-of-freedom systems-6



May choose  $F$  polynomial so that we obtain a “1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-degree-of-freedom” system

# Two-degree-of-freedom systems-7



$F$  polynomial,  $F_o$  rational:

“2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-degree-of-freedom” system

$$H = \frac{NF}{D_{cl}} F_o$$

$F = 1$ ,  $F_o$  rational:

2-degree-of-freedom system