



Root loci

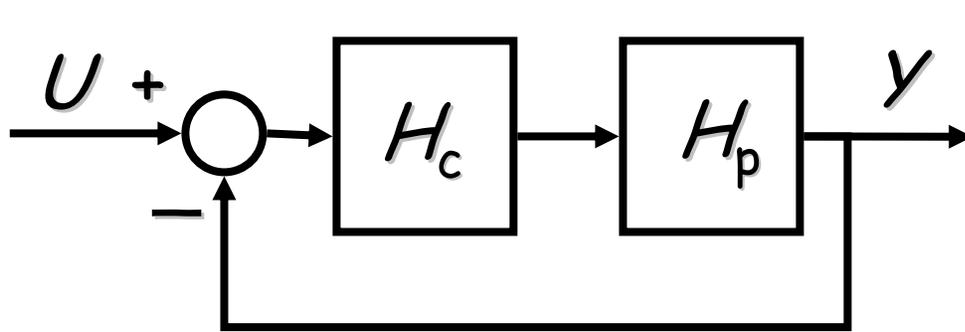
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- Poles of open and closed system
- Root locus
 - definition
 - drawing rules
 - examples
- τ - locus
- Powerful design tool



$$H_p = \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$H_c = K$$

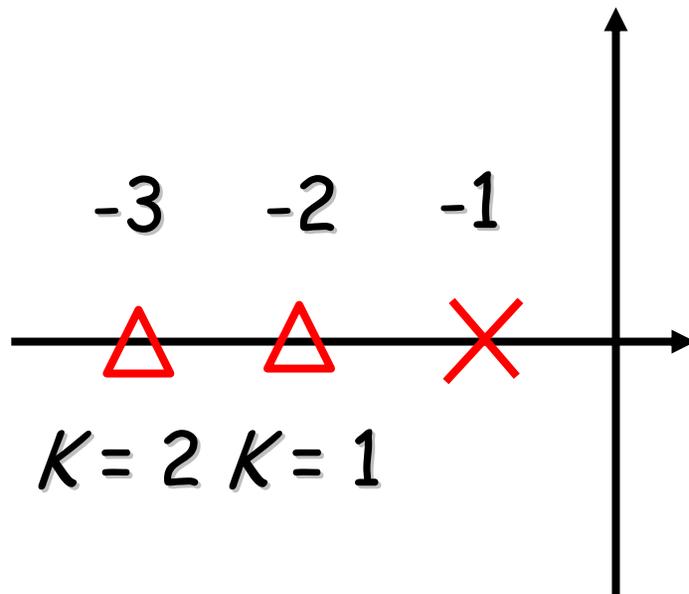
Loop transfer function:

$$H_L = -H_c H_p = -K_L G_L = -K_L \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$Y/U \text{ (closed loop): } H = \frac{H_c H_p}{1 - H_L} = \frac{K_L}{s + (1 + K_L)}$$

$$H_{\text{closed}} = \frac{K}{s + (1 + K)}$$

gain: $\frac{K}{1 + K}$

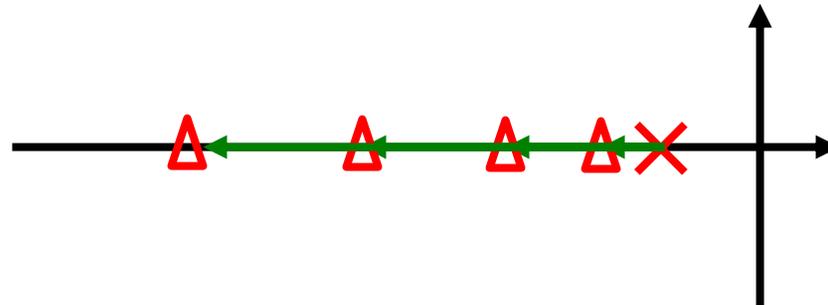


pole in: $s = -(1+K)$

20-sim
demo

In a feedback system:

- when K increases, pole goes further to the left
- response is faster
- accuracy is better



Demo (second order)

$$H_p = \frac{K'}{(s+1)(s+3)} \longrightarrow$$

$$H = \frac{\frac{K'}{(s+1)(s+3)}}{1 + \frac{K'}{(s+1)(s+3)}}$$

closed-loop poles:

$$p_{1,2} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4(3 + K')}}{2}$$

$$p_{1,2} = -2 \pm \sqrt{1 - K'}$$

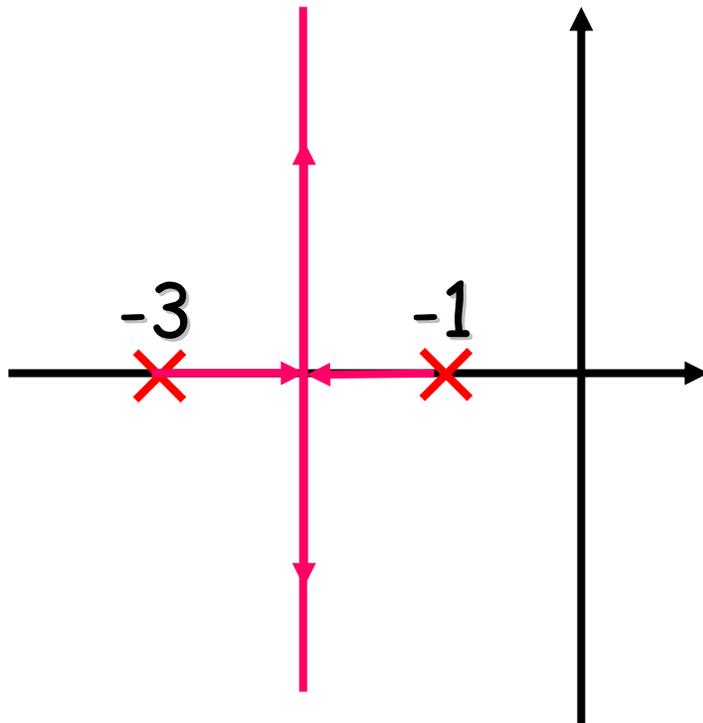
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$$H = \frac{K'}{(s+1)(s+3) + K'}$$

$$H = \frac{K'}{s^2 + 4s + 3 + K'}$$

Demo (second order)

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$K' = 0$: poles
in -1 and -3

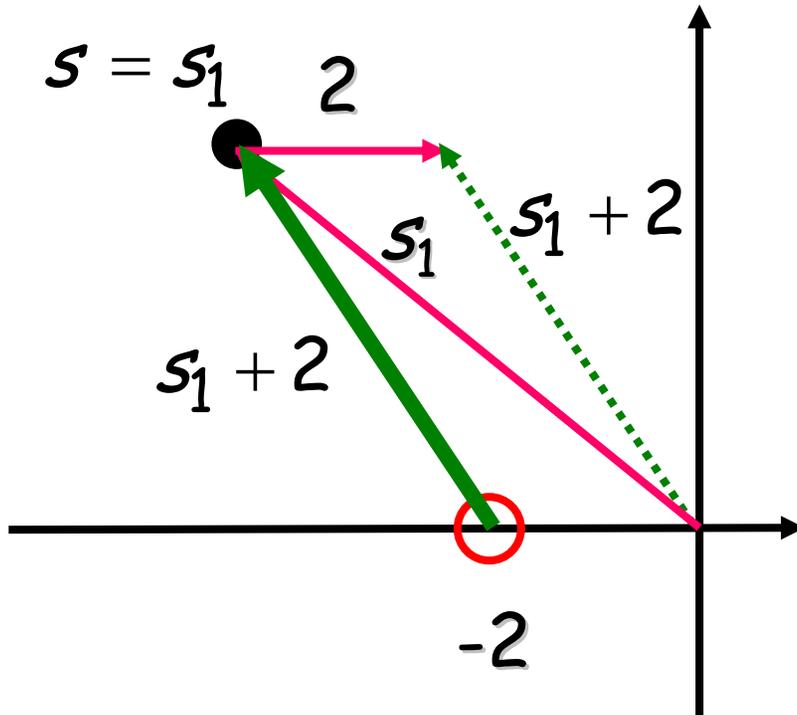
$K' < 1$: two real poles
between -1 and -3

$K' = 1$: two real poles
in -2

$K' > 1$: two complex poles
with Re part -2

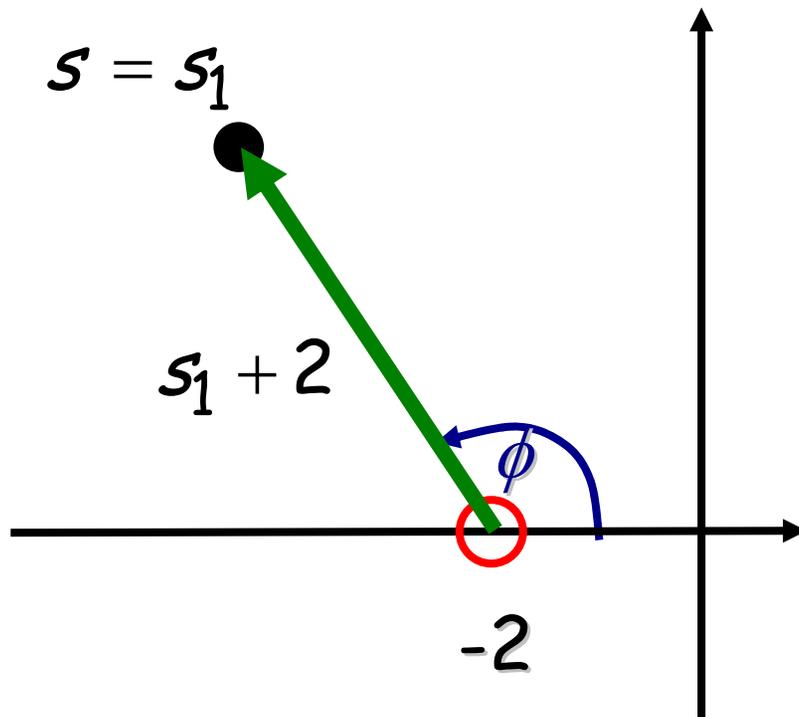
- Difficult to solve manually
- Use **20-sim**, MATLAB, ...
- Use graphical method:
- Root locus
 - The root locus gives the locations of the poles of the closed system for variations in the loop gain of the system

Graphical evaluation (zero)



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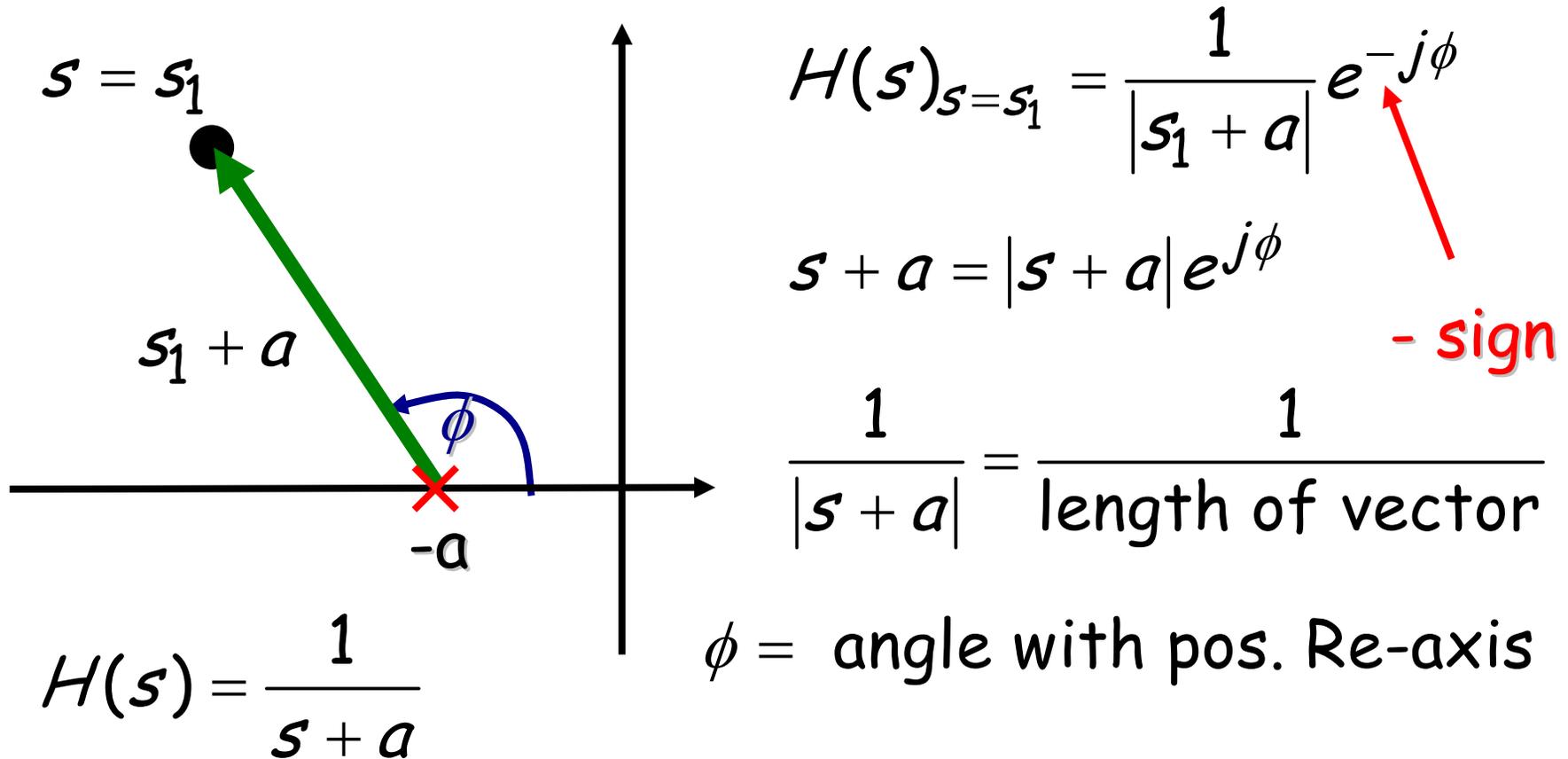
The value of $(s + a)$ in a point s_1 in the s -plane is equal to the vector from $-a$ to s_1

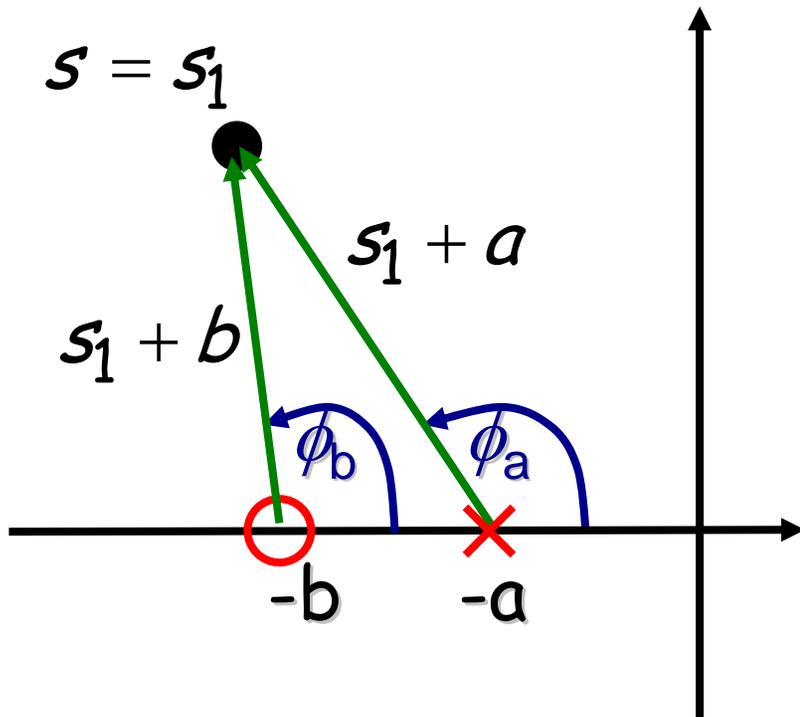
$$s + a = |s + a| e^{j\phi}$$

$$|s + a| = \text{length of vector}$$

$$\phi = \text{angle with pos. Re-axis}$$

Graphical evaluation (pole)

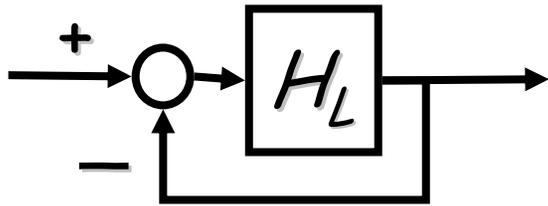




$$H(s) = \frac{s + b}{s + a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(s)_{s=s_1} &= \\ &= \frac{|s_1 + b|}{|s_1 + a|} e^{j(\phi_b - \phi_a)} \end{aligned}$$

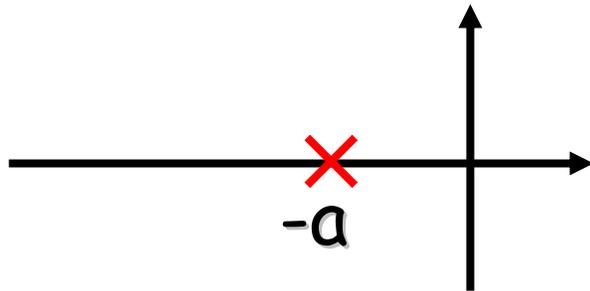
Root locus equation



$$H_L(s) = \frac{K'}{s + a}$$

$$H = \frac{H_L}{1 + H_L}$$

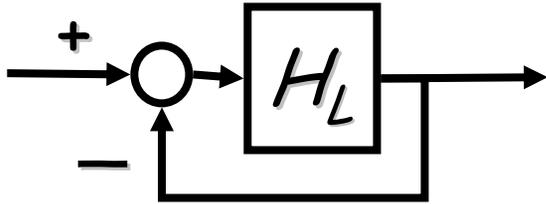
$$H = \frac{K'}{s + a + K'}$$



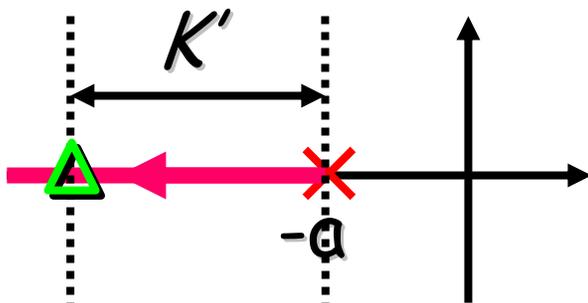
poles of closed loop:
 $s + a + K' = 0$

root locus equation: $\frac{1}{s + a} = -\frac{1}{K'}$

Root locus (first order)



root locus equation: $\frac{1}{s+a} = -\frac{1}{K'}$



Root locus

$$|s+a| = K'$$

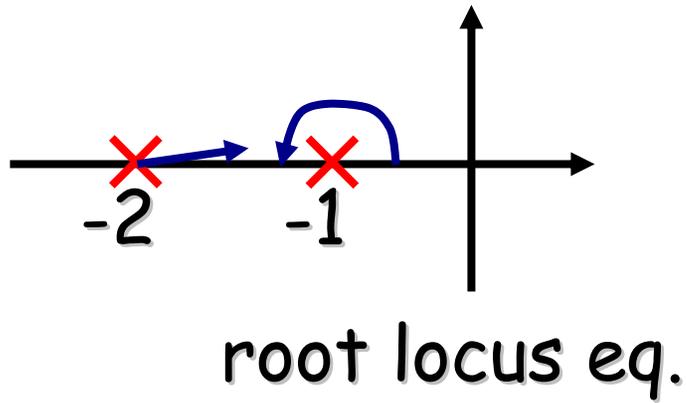
$$\frac{1}{s+a} = \frac{1}{K'} e^{j\pi}$$

$$s+a = K' e^{j\pi}$$

points where $\angle_{s+a} = \pi \pm 2k\pi$,
are left of the pole in $-a$

$K = \text{real}$

Root locus (second order)



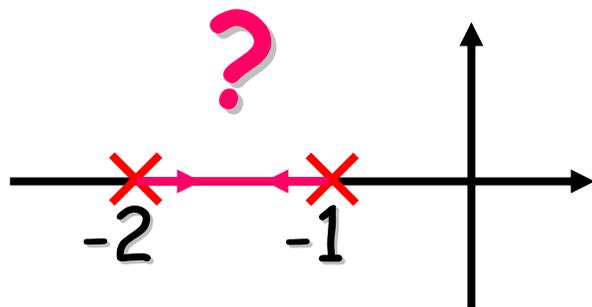
$$H_L = \frac{K'_L}{(s+1)(s+2)} = K'_L G'_L$$

$$G'_L = -\frac{1}{K'_L} = \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)}$$

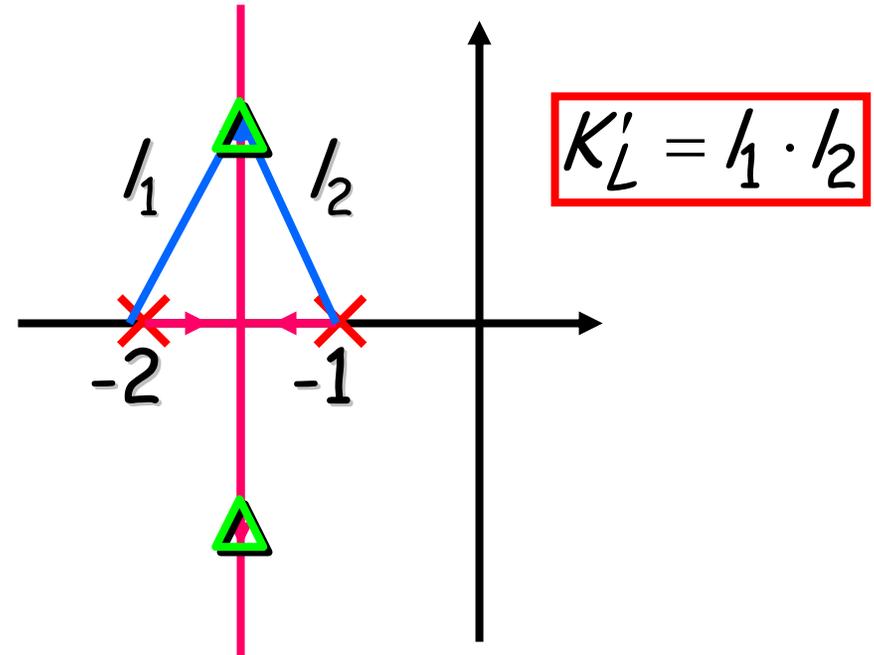
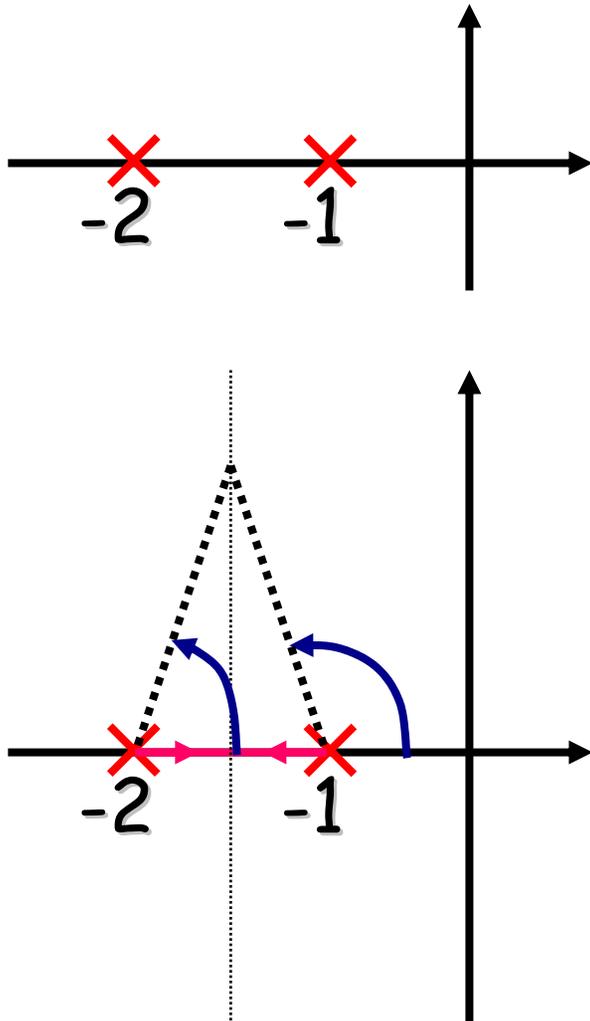
$$\rightarrow \underbrace{(s+1)(s+2)} = K'_L e^{j\pi}$$

modulus = K'_L

argument = $e^{j(\pi+2k\pi)}$



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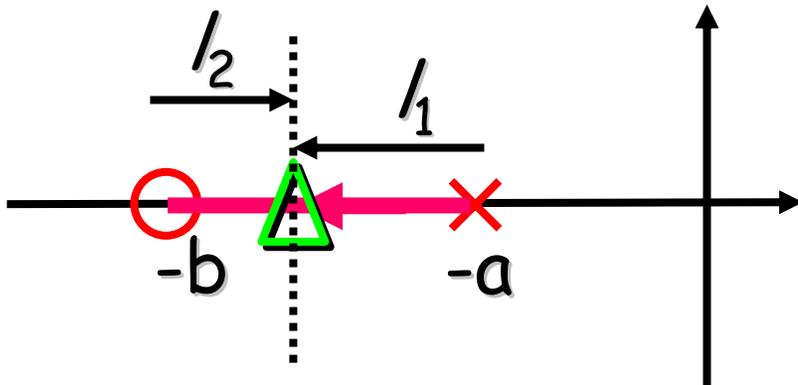


$$(s + 1)(s + 2) = K'_L e^{j\pi}$$

$$\rightarrow K'_L = |(s + 1)| |(s + 2)|$$

Root locus (pole and zero)

$$H(s) = K'_L \frac{s + b}{s + a}$$



$$\frac{s + b}{s + a} = -\frac{1}{K'_L}$$

$$K'_L = \frac{|s + a|}{|s + b|}$$

$$K'_L = \frac{l_1}{l_2}$$

- first order (pole in -1)
 - second order (poles in -1 and -2)
 - pole and zero
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- step responses for various values of K'

Demo **20-sim**

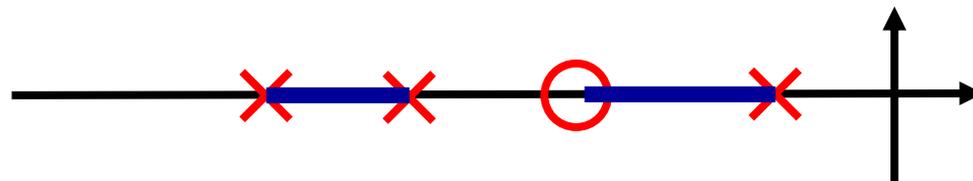
- “argument = -180 degrees” rule too complex for manual construction of complex root loci
- Derive a set of rules that allows easy construction
- (based on the above rule)

$$\text{root locus equation: } G'_L = -\frac{1}{K'_L}$$

- The root locus for variations in K'_L starts for $K'_L = 0$ in the poles of G'_L and ends for $K'_L \rightarrow \infty$ in the zero's of G'_L or in ∞ (if there are more poles than zero's)

$$\text{root locus equation: } G'_L = -\frac{1}{K'_L}$$

- The locus includes all points along the real axis to the left of an odd number of poles plus zero's of G'_L

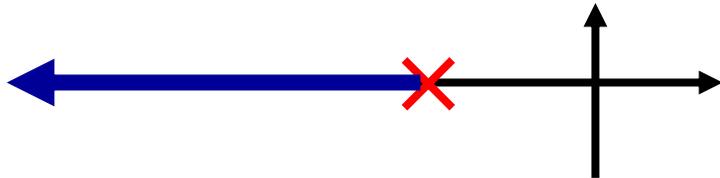


- for $K'_L \rightarrow \infty$ the branches of the locus become asymptotic to straight lines with angles

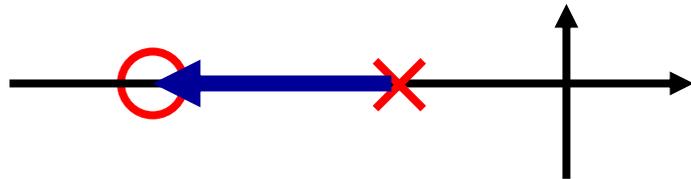
$$\theta = \frac{\pi \pm 2k\pi}{n - m}$$

for $k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$, until all $n - m$ angles are obtained, where n is the number of poles and m the number of zero's

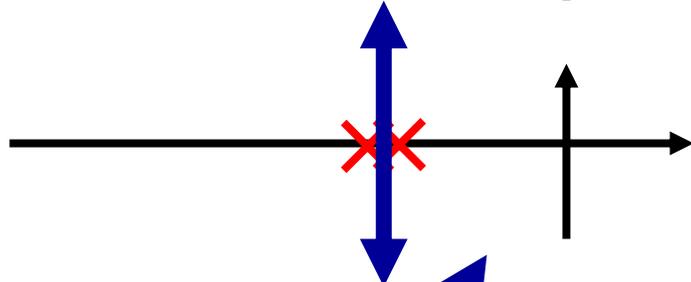
Rule 3 examples



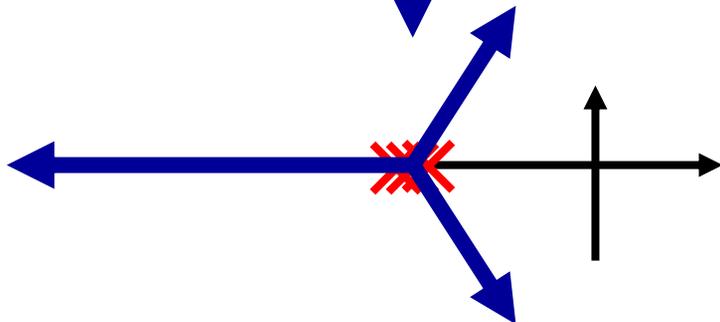
$n - m = 1$: 1 asymptote: $-\pi$



$n - m = 0$: no asymptote



$n - m = 2$: 2 asymptotes:
 $\pm\pi/2$

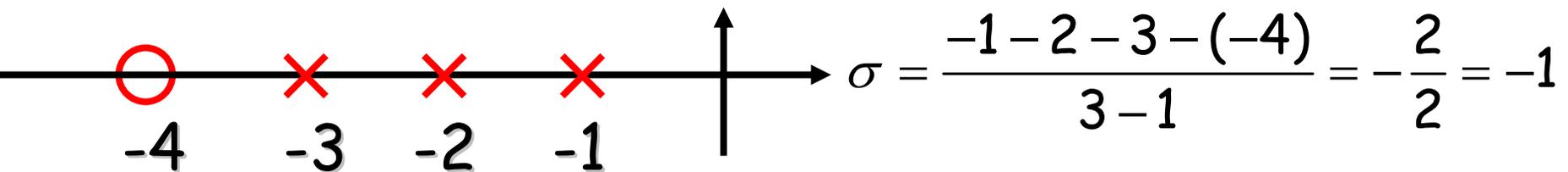


$n - m = 3$: 3 asymptotes:
 $\pm\pi/3$

Rule 4 (start of asymptotes)

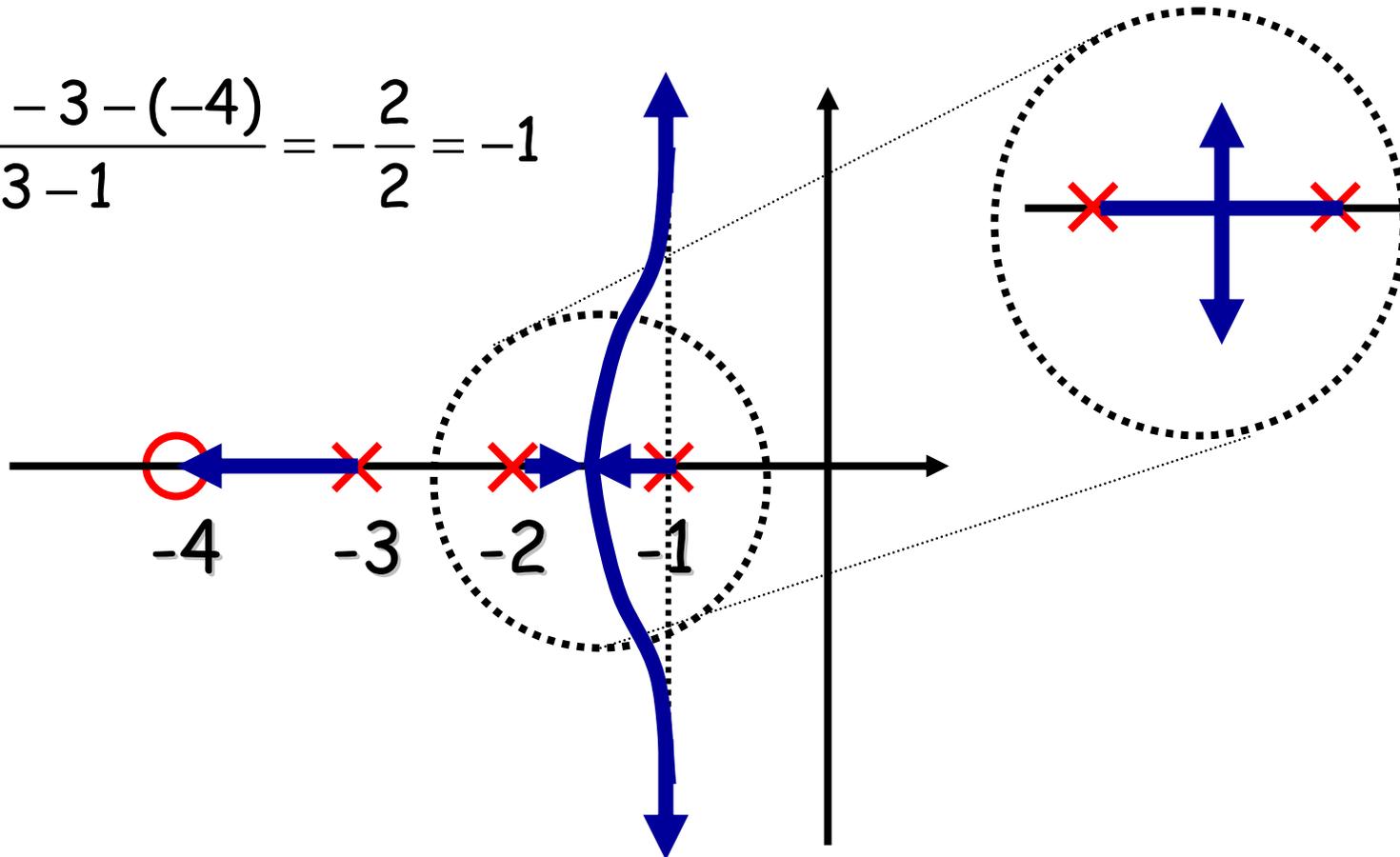
- starting point of the asymptotes, the centroid of the pole-zero plot, is on the real axis at:

$$\sigma = \frac{\sum \text{pole values of } G_L' - \sum \text{zero values of } G_L'}{n - m}$$

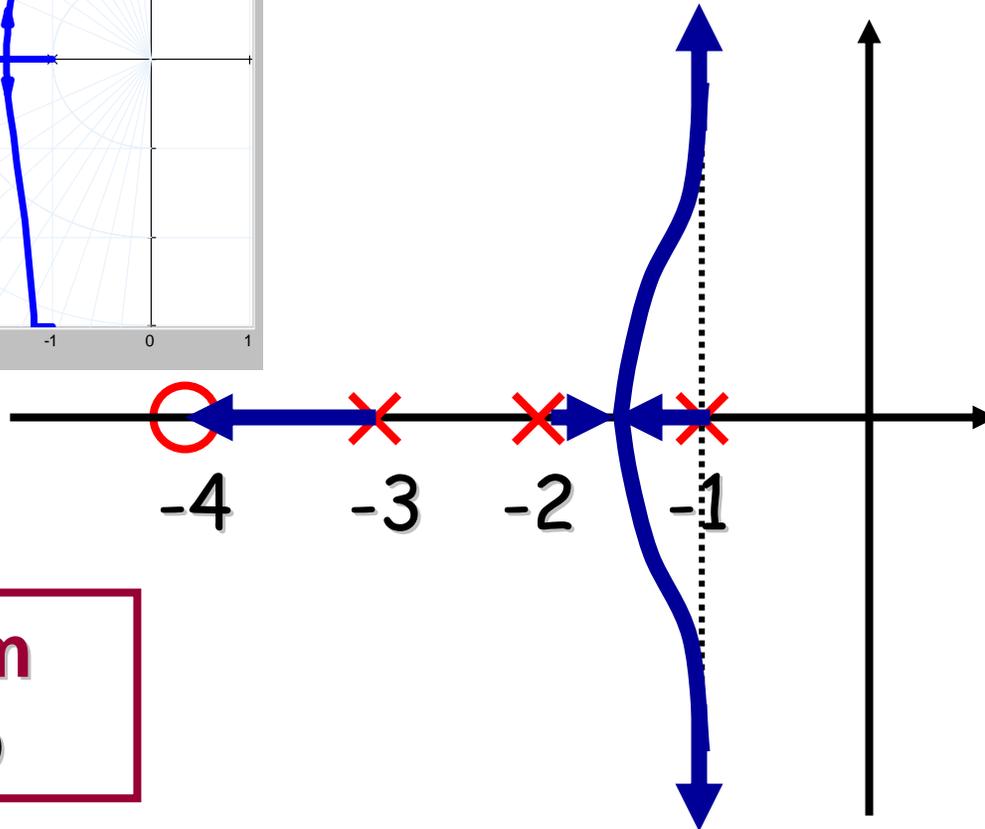
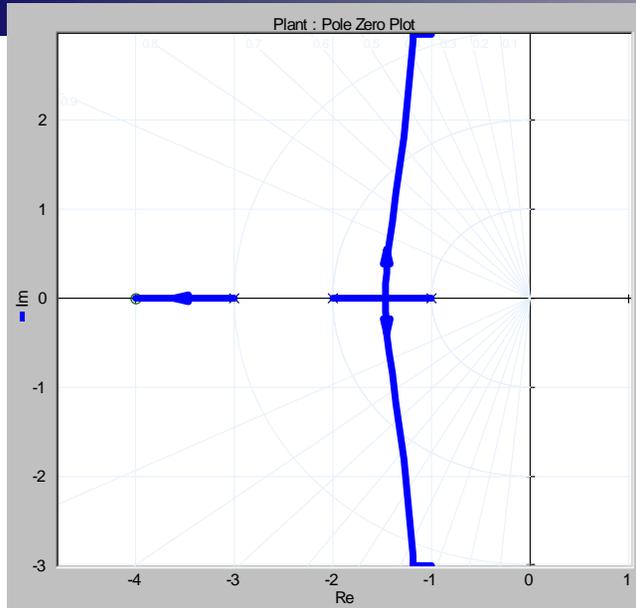


Rule 4 (Example)

$$\sigma = \frac{-1 - 2 - 3 - (-4)}{3 - 1} = -\frac{2}{2} = -1$$



Rule 4 (20-sim demo)



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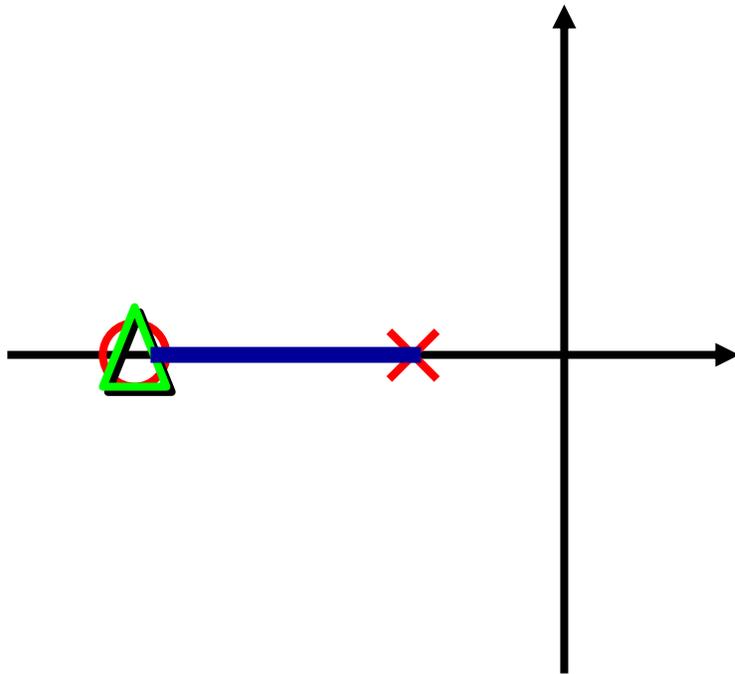
- Loci leave (enter) the real axis at a gain K'_L that is the maximum (minimum) value of K'_L in that region on the real axis. These points are called **breakaway (entry)** points:

$$\frac{dK'_L}{ds} = -\frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{1}{G'_L} \right) = 0$$

- Locus segments leave (enter) the real axis at angles of $\pm \pi/2$

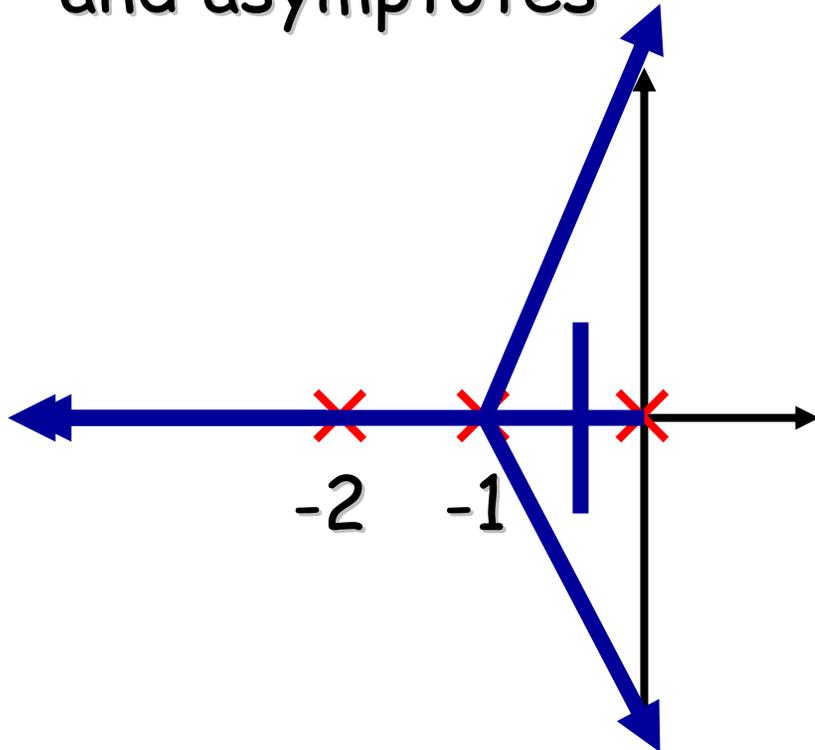
model poles as bodies
with a positive charge

model zeros as bodies
with a negative charge



a positive charge
just left of the pole of
the open system is
repulsed by the pole and
attracted by the zero

Also helps to find
breakaway points
and asymptotes



Far away the 3 poles
behave as three poles
in -1

Because of positive
charge in -2, breakaway
point will be at the
right of -0.5

- angle of departure ϕ of a locus branch from a complex pole is given by:

$$\phi = -\sum \arg(\text{other poles}) + \sum \arg(\text{zeros}) + \pi$$

- The angle of approach ϕ of a locus branch to a complex zero is given by:

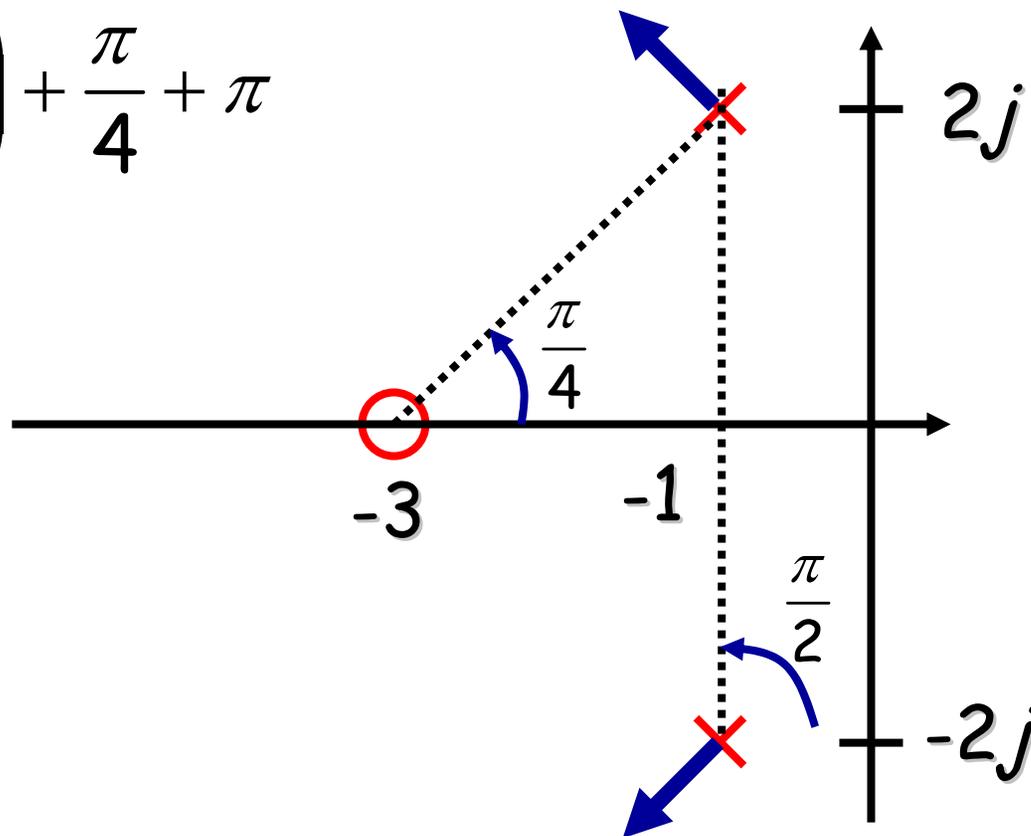
$$\phi' = \sum \arg(\text{poles}) - \sum \arg(\text{other zeros}) - \pi$$

Rule 6 (example)

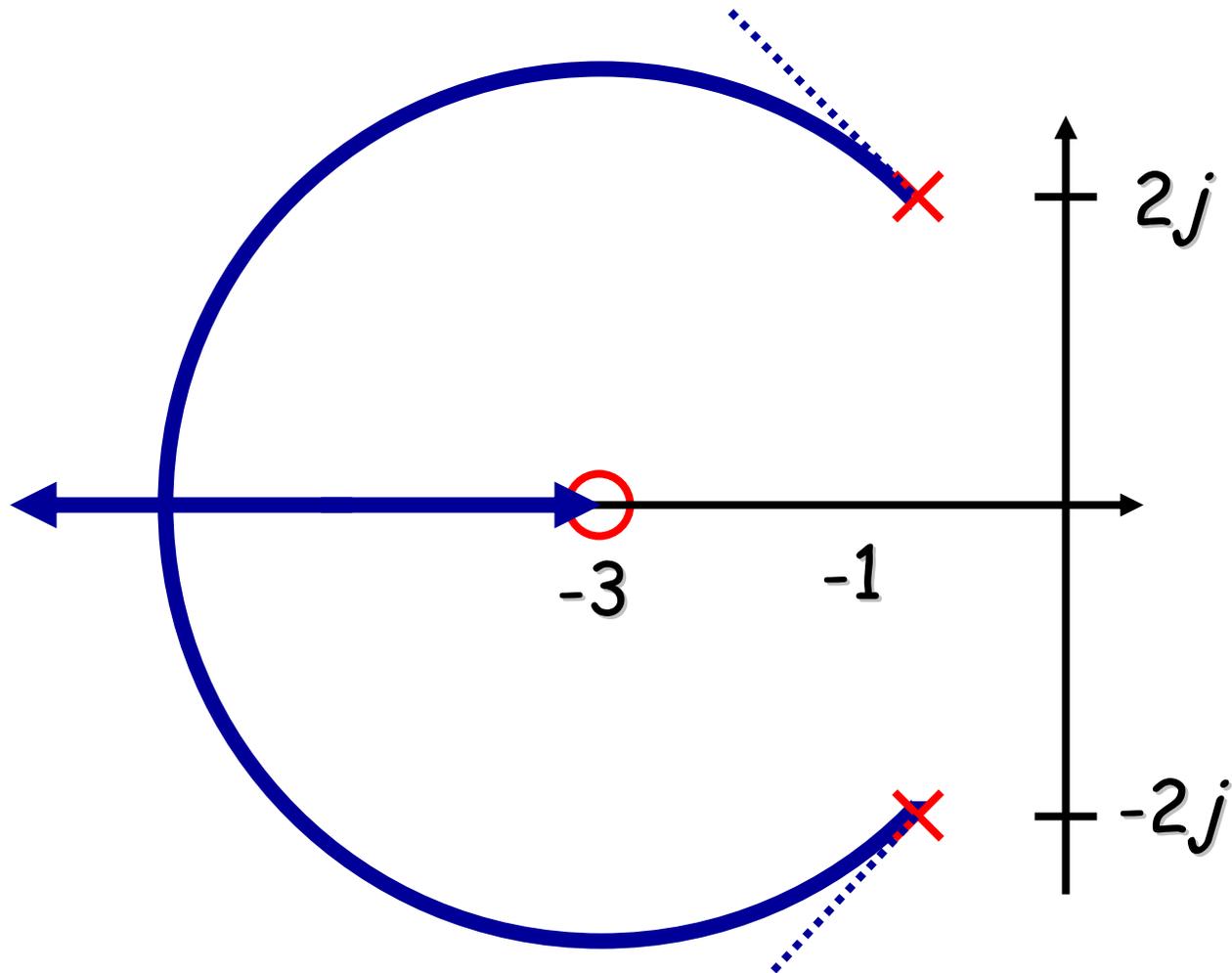
$$\phi = -\sum \arg(\text{other poles}) + \sum \arg(\text{zeros}) + \pi$$

$$\phi = -\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{\pi}{4} + \pi$$

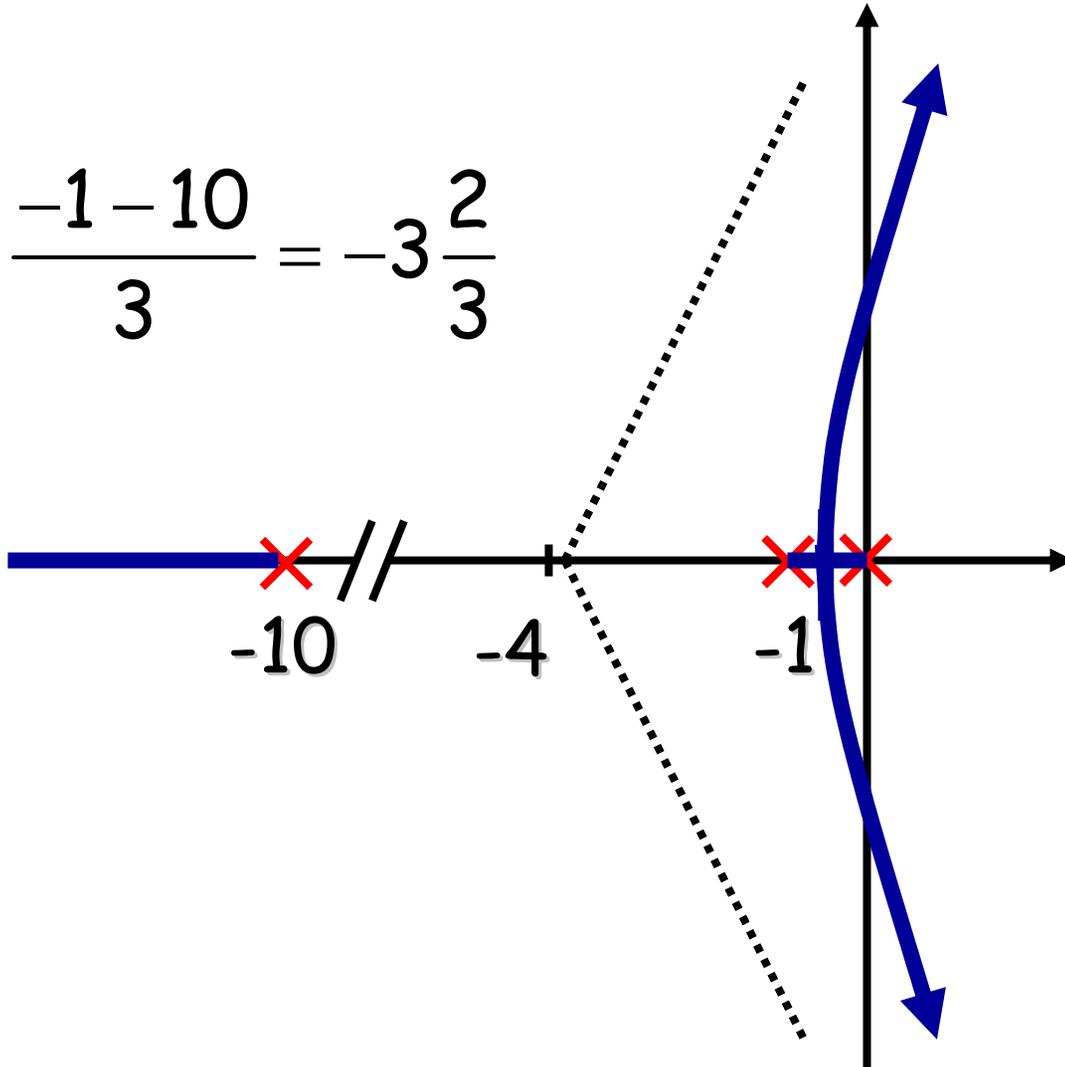
$$\phi = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$



Rule 6 (example)



Example (Servo System)

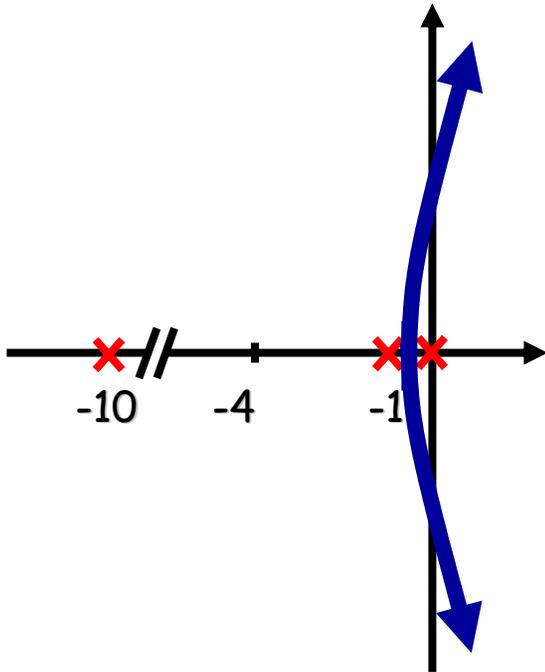


rule 1,2
rule 3,4
rule 5

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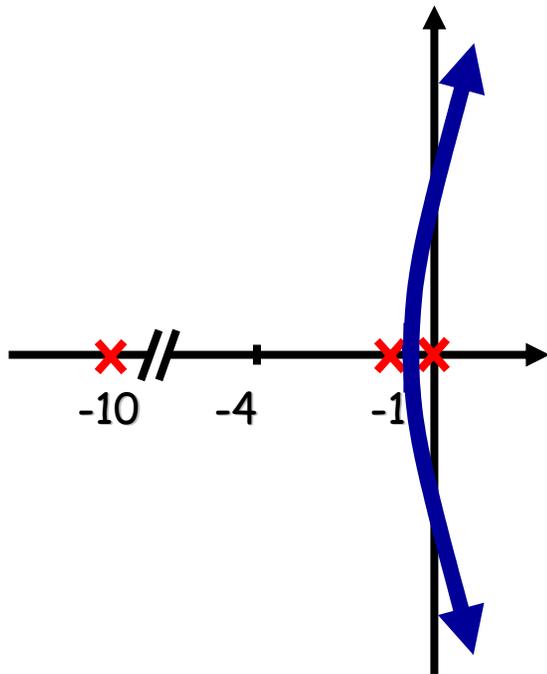
$$s(s+1)(s+10) + K_L' = 0 \quad \text{stability boundary}$$

$$j\omega(j\omega+1)(j\omega+10) + K_L' = 0$$



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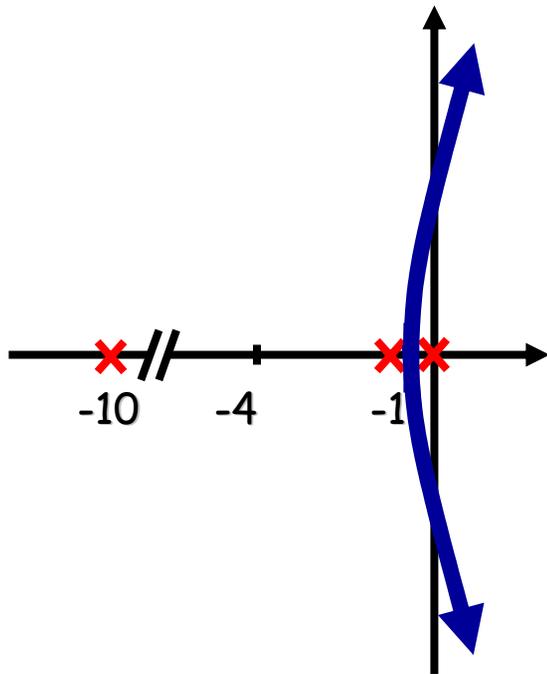
$$j\omega(-\omega^2 + 11j\omega + 10) + K'_L = 0$$

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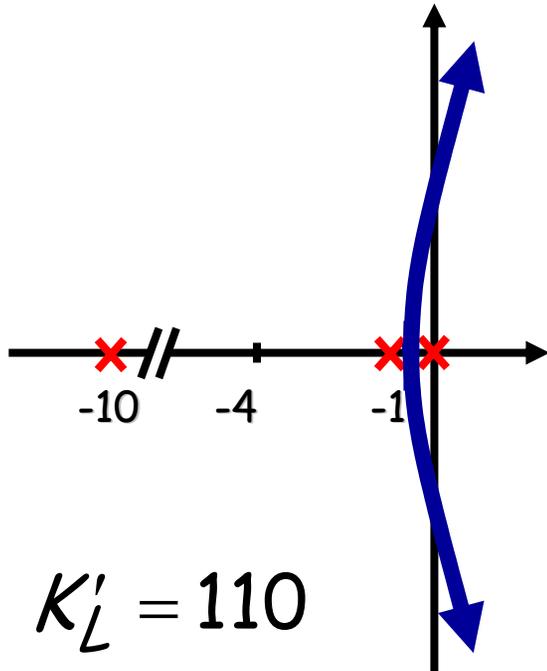
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$$\omega = 0, \omega = \sqrt{10}$$

$$110 = K'_L$$

Example

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$$K'_L = 110$$

$$K_L = \frac{110}{10 \cdot 1} = 11$$

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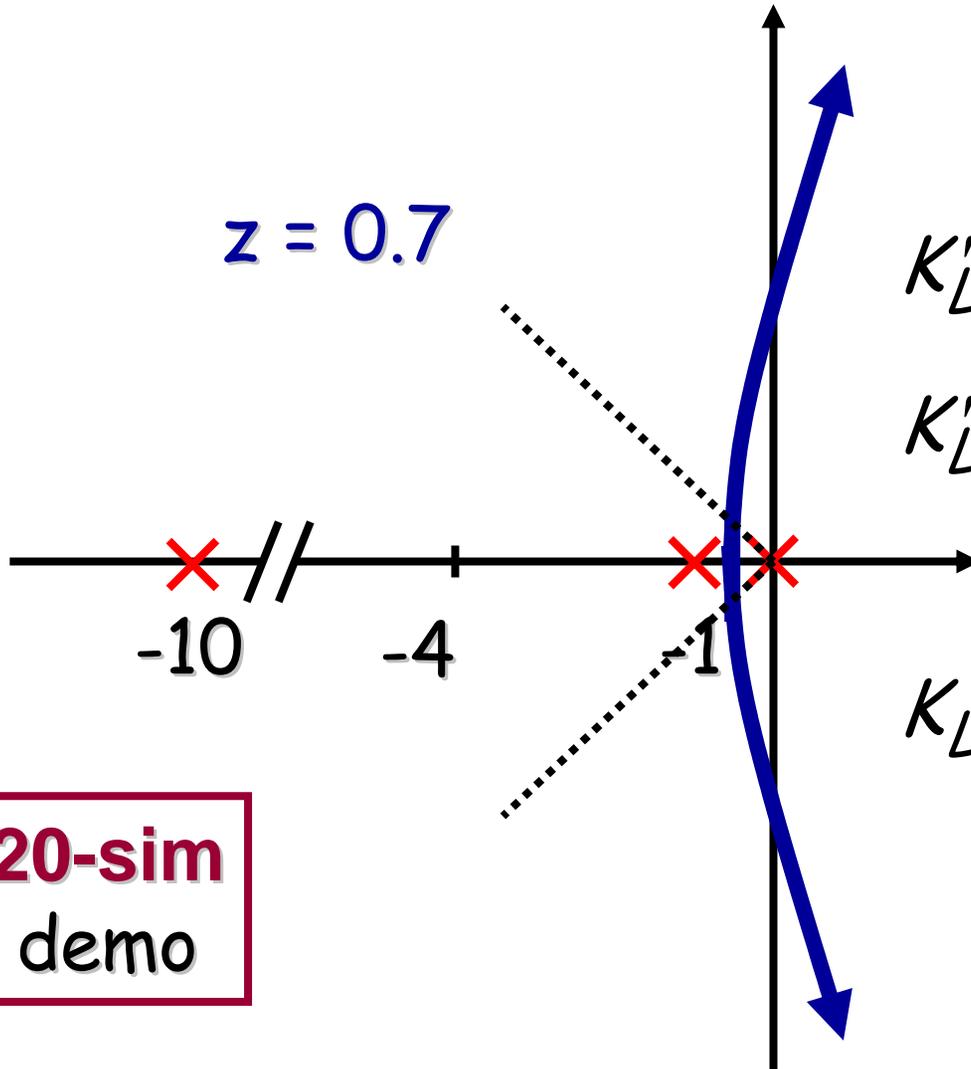
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Example



$$K'_L \approx 0.5\sqrt{2} \times 0.5\sqrt{2} \times 10$$

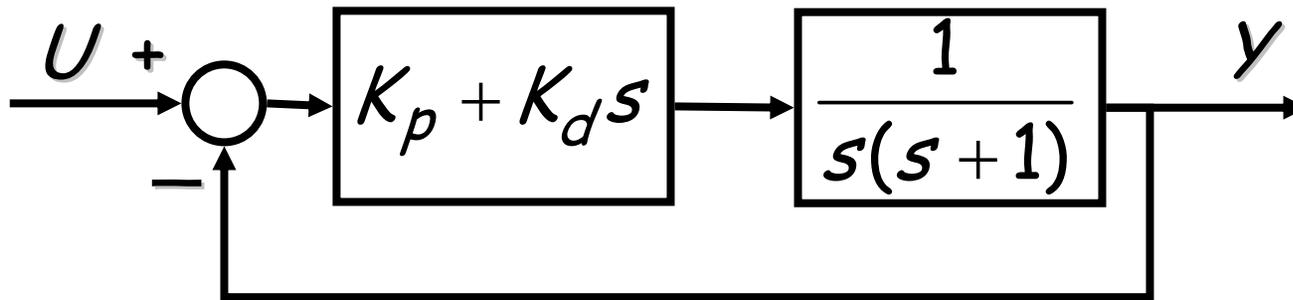
$$K'_L \approx 0.5 \times 10 = 5$$

$$K_L \approx \frac{5}{10 \cdot 1} = 0.5$$

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Example:

- Proportional feedback (K_p)
- Velocity / tacho feedback (K_d)



root locus equation:
for variations in K_d :

$$s(s+1) + K_p + K_d s = 0$$

zero (only for locus!)

$$\frac{1}{s(s+1)} = -\frac{1}{K_p}$$

$$\frac{s}{s(s+1) + K_p} = -\frac{1}{K_d}$$

Use RLE for $K_d = 0$

to find poles for desired K_p

e.g. $K_p = 10$

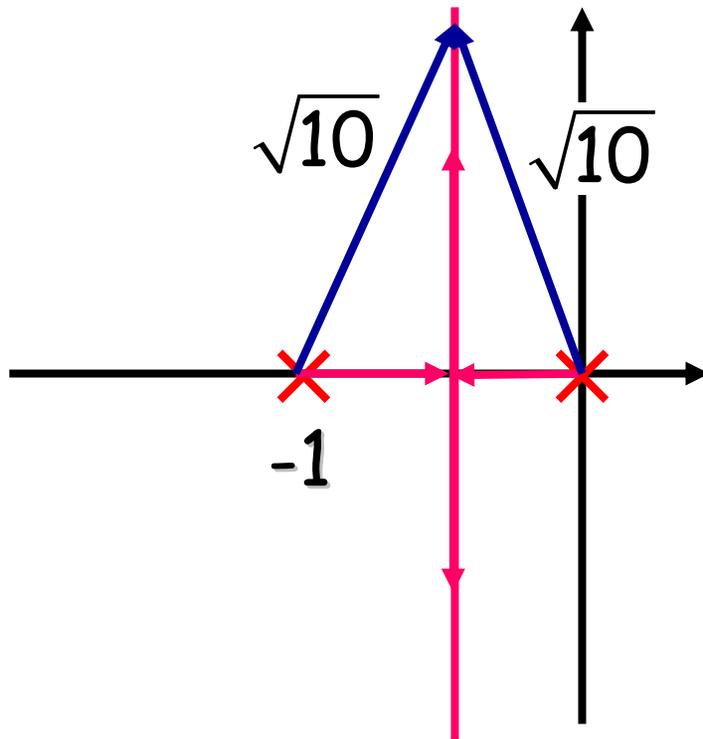
$$\frac{1}{s(s+1)} = -\frac{1}{K_p}$$

Use RLE for K_d

to find poles with $K_p = 10$

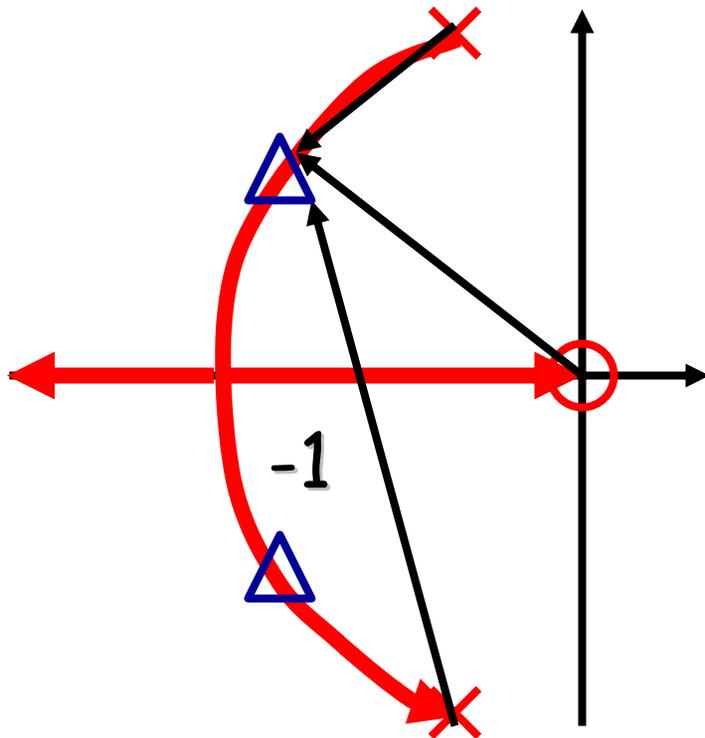
$$\frac{s}{s(s+1)+10} = -\frac{1}{K_d}$$

$$\frac{s}{(s+p_1)(s+p_2)} = -\frac{1}{K_d}$$



$$\frac{1}{s(s+1)} = -\frac{1}{K_p}$$

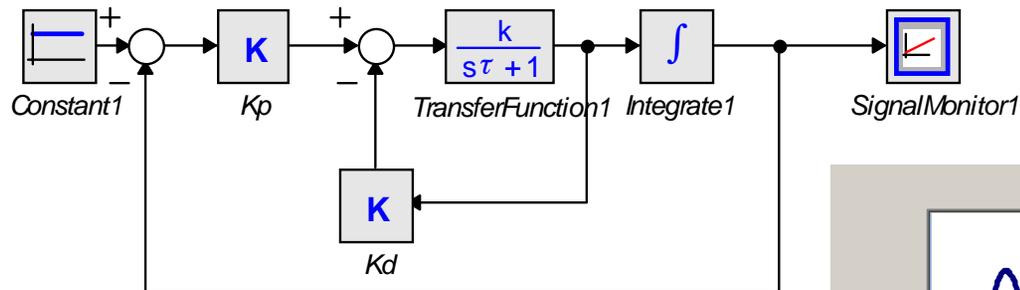
$$K_p = h_1 \cdot h_2 \rightarrow h_1, h_2 = \sqrt{10}$$



$$\frac{s}{s(s+1)+10} = -\frac{1}{K_d}$$

Take care that
root locus gain of
"proces" = 1

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