Chapter 9 - Solved Problems

Solved Problem 9.1. Consider an internally stable feedback loop with

$$S_o(s) = \frac{s(s+2)}{s^2 + 4s + 2} \tag{1}$$

Determine whether Lemma 9.1 or Lemma 9.2 of the book applies to this system.

Solutions to Solved Problem 9.1

Solved Problem 9.2. Consider a linear plant having a nominal model having relative degree 2 and no poles in the open RHP.

Compute a lower bound for the sensitivity peak using Lemma 9.1 from the book and assuming that the following specifications are met:

• $|S_o(j\omega)| < \epsilon \text{ for } 0 \le \omega \le \omega_{\ell}$

•
$$|T_o(j\omega)| < \frac{\epsilon \, \omega_h^2}{\omega^2} \text{ for } \omega \ge \omega_h > \omega_\ell$$

where $\epsilon = 0.1$, $\omega_{\ell} = 2 \ [rad/s]$ and $\omega_h = 3 \ [rad/s]$.

Solutions to Solved Problem 9.2

Solved Problem 9.3. Consider a plant having a linear nominal model of relative degree 2 with no poles in the open RHP. Assume that the nominal model has a zero at s = c = 0.5.

Further assume that the following design specifications are met:

$$S.1 |S_o(j\omega)| < \epsilon \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_\ell^2} \text{ for } 0 \le \omega \le \omega_\ell$$
$$S.2 |T_o(j\omega)| < \frac{\epsilon \omega_h^2}{\omega^2} \text{ for } \omega \ge \omega_h > \omega_\ell$$

where $\epsilon = 0.1$, $\omega_{\ell} = 2 \ [rad/s]$ and $\omega_{h} = 3 \ [rad/s]$.

Find a lower bound for the complementary sensitivity peak.

Solutions to Solved Problem 9.3

Solved Problem 9.4. Consider a stable plant with NMP zeros located at $s = 1 \pm j\alpha$. Further assume that we require $|S_o(j\omega)| \le \epsilon < 1$ for all $\omega \in [0, \omega_\ell]$. Using Lemma 9.5 from the book investigate the effect of the imaginary part, α of the NMP zeros on the lower bound for the sensitivity peak.

Solutions to Solved Problem 9.4

Solved Problem 9.5. Consider a linear system having the nominal model

$$G_o(s) = \frac{4(-s+4)}{(-s+2)(s+5)(s+2)}$$
(2)

Determine a lower limit for the sensitivity peak, assuming that we require that

$$|S_o(j\omega)| \le 0.1 \quad \omega \in [0, 1] \tag{3}$$

$$|T_o(j\omega)| \le 0.1 \quad \omega \in [8, \infty] \tag{4}$$

Solutions to Solved Problem 9.5

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Solution 9.1. Since the feedback loop is internally stable, no unstable pole-zero cancellation can occur. Thus, all open loop poles in the RHP will appear in the sensitivity numerator. Since no zero of $S_o(s)$ is located in the open RHP, then Lemma 9.1 applies.

We can calculate the open loop transfer function $H_{ol}(s)$ as

$$H_{ol}(s) = S_o(s)^{-1} - 1 = \frac{2(s+1)}{s(s+2)}$$
(5)

Note that $H_{ol}(s)$ has relative degree, n_r , equal to 1 and that

$$\kappa = \lim_{s \to \infty} H_{ol}(s) = 2 \tag{6}$$

We can thus apply equation (9.2.3) from the book to obtain

$$\int_0^\infty \ln|S_o(j\omega)|\,d\omega = -\kappa \frac{\pi}{2} = -\pi \tag{7}$$

Solution 9.2. We use (7), splitting the integration interval as follows: $[0; \infty] = [0; \omega_{\ell}] \cup (\omega_{\ell}; \omega_{h}] \cup (\omega_{h}, \infty)$. Then

$$0 = \int_0^\infty \ln|S_o(j\omega)| \, d\omega = \int_0^{\omega_\ell} \ln|S_o(j\omega)| \, d\omega + \int_{\omega_\ell}^{\omega_h} \ln|S_o(j\omega)| \, d\omega + \int_{\omega_h}^\infty \ln|S_o(j\omega)| \, d\omega \tag{8}$$

$$<\int_{0}^{\omega_{\ell}}\ln\epsilon\,d\omega + \int_{\omega_{\ell}}^{\omega_{h}}\ln\left|S_{max}\right|d\omega + \int_{\omega_{h}}^{\infty}\ln\left|1 + \frac{\epsilon\,\omega_{h}^{2}}{\omega^{2}}\right|\,d\omega\tag{9}$$

The last integral on the right is^1

$$\int_{\omega_h}^{\infty} \ln \left| 1 + \frac{\epsilon \,\omega_h^2}{\omega^2} \right| \, d\omega = \int_{\omega_h}^{\infty} \ln \left(1 + \frac{\epsilon \,\omega_h^2}{\omega^2} \right) \, d\omega = 2\omega_h \sqrt{\epsilon} \arctan \sqrt{\epsilon} - \omega_h \ln(1+\epsilon) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \omega_h f(\epsilon) \le \omega_h \epsilon \quad (10)$$

From the above equations we conclude that

$$\ln|S_{max}| > \frac{\omega_{\ell}|\ln\epsilon| - \omega_h\epsilon}{\omega_h - \omega_{\ell}} \approx 4.4$$
(11)

Note that the lower limit of the sensitivity peak increases as $\epsilon \to 0$ and/or $\omega_{\ell} \to \omega_h$

Solution 9.3. To compute the lower bound for the complementary sensitivity peak, we can use Lemma 9.4 of the book (with $\tau = 0$) splitting the integration interval, as in Solved Problem 9.2.

Note that specification [S.1] implies that the open loop transfer function $H_{ol}(s) = G_o(s)C(s)$ has one or more poles at the origin. Thus equation (9.3.2) of the book is satisfied. Actually, S.1 would seem to imply that when k_v is computed from (9.3.4) the result is $k_v = \infty$.

 $^{^{1}}$ To compute this integral use either a mathematical symbolic package such as MAPLE or MATHEMATICA, or the MATLAB symbolic toolbox, which is a MAPLE subset.

Thus

$$0 = \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln |T_o(j\omega)|}{\omega^2} \, d\omega = \int_0^{\omega_\ell} \frac{\ln |T_o(j\omega)|}{\omega^2} \, d\omega + \int_{\omega_\ell}^{\omega_h} \frac{\ln |T_o(j\omega)|}{\omega^2} \, d\omega + \int_{\omega_h}^\infty \frac{\ln |T_o(j\omega)|}{\omega^2} \, d\omega \tag{12}$$

$$<\underbrace{\int_{0}^{\omega_{\ell}} \frac{1}{\omega^{2}} \ln\left(1 + \epsilon \frac{\omega^{2}}{\omega_{\ell}^{2}}\right) d\omega}_{I_{1}} + \ln|T_{max}| \underbrace{\int_{\omega_{\ell}}^{\omega_{h}} \frac{1}{\omega^{2}} d\omega}_{I_{2}} + \underbrace{\int_{\omega_{h}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\omega^{2}} \ln\left(\frac{\epsilon \omega_{h}^{2}}{\omega^{2}}\right) d\omega}_{I_{3}}$$
(13)

These integrals can be computed using, for instance, MAPLE. This yields

$$I_1 = \frac{-\ln(1+\epsilon) + 2\sqrt{\epsilon}\arctan\sqrt{\epsilon}}{\omega_\ell} \tag{14}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{\omega_h - \omega_\ell}{\omega_h \omega_\ell} \tag{15}$$

$$I_3 = \frac{\ln(\epsilon) - 2}{\omega_h} \tag{16}$$

We can now use equation (9.3.11) of the book with $\tau = 0$, M = 1 and $k_v = \infty$. Hence

$$\ln|T_{max}| > \frac{\pi\omega_h\omega_\ell}{c(\omega_h - \omega_\ell)} + \frac{(\ln(1+\epsilon) - 2\sqrt{\epsilon}\arctan\sqrt{\epsilon})\omega_h}{\omega_h - \omega_\ell} + \frac{(2+|\ln(\epsilon)|)\omega_\ell}{\omega_h - \omega_\ell} \approx 46.4$$
(17)

It is interesting to note the factors which will cause this bound to grow. They are

- $\frac{\omega_{\ell}}{\omega_{h}}$ tends to one, i.e. the design specification demands a very sharp transition from the pass band to the stop band in $T_{o}(j\omega)$.
- The parameter ϵ tends to zero. This means that the design specification requires an excessively flat frequency response.
- The ratio $\frac{c}{\omega_{\ell}}$ tends to zero. This is in agreement with time domain analysis previously given in Chapter 8 of the book.

It is also interesting to note that the most significant contribution to this lower limit is the NMP zero. It accounts for roughly 82% of the limit.

Solution 9.4. We apply Lemma 9.5 from the book, with M = 2, $c_1 = 1 + j\alpha$ and $c_2 = 1 - j\alpha$, and the right hand side in equation (9.4.2) of the book equal to 0 (since there are no unstable poles). Thus, for c_1

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \ln |S_o(j\omega)| \frac{1}{1 + (\alpha - \omega)^2} \, d\omega = \int_{-\infty}^{-\omega_\ell} \ln |S_o(j\omega)| \frac{1}{1 + (\alpha - \omega)^2} \, d\omega + \int_{-\omega_\ell}^{\omega_\ell} \ln |S_o(j\omega)| \frac{1}{1 + (\alpha - \omega)^2} \, d\omega + \int_{\omega_\ell}^{\infty} \ln |S_o(j\omega)| \frac{1}{1 + (\alpha - \omega)^2} \, d\omega \quad (18)$$

We can now substitute $\ln |S_o(j\omega)|$ by its upper bound on every interval

$$\max |S_o(j\omega)| = \begin{cases} S_{max} & \omega \in [-\infty, -\omega_\ell] \\ \epsilon & \omega \in [-\omega_\ell, \omega_\ell] \\ S_{max} & \omega \in [\omega_\ell, \infty] \end{cases}$$
(19)

Then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \ln |S_{o}(j\omega)| \frac{1}{1 + (\alpha - \omega)^{2}} d\omega < \ln |S_{max}| \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{-\omega_{\ell}} \frac{1}{1 + (\alpha - \omega)^{2}} d\omega}_{I_{1}} + \ln(\epsilon) \underbrace{\int_{-\omega_{\ell}}^{\omega_{\ell}} \frac{1}{1 + (\alpha - \omega)^{2}} d\omega}_{I_{2}} + \ln |S_{max}| \underbrace{\int_{-\omega_{\ell}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + (\alpha - \omega)^{2}} d\omega}_{I_{3}}$$
(20)

We can now compute the integrals I_1 , I_2 and I_3 using MAPLE. This yields

$$I_1 = \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(\alpha + \omega_\ell) \tag{21}$$

$$I_2 = \arctan(-\alpha + \omega_\ell) + \arctan(\alpha + \omega_\ell)$$
(22)

$$I_3 = \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(-\alpha + \omega_\ell) \tag{23}$$

Combining the above expressions we have that

$$\ln|S_{max}| > |\ln(\epsilon)| \frac{1}{f(\alpha) - 1}$$
(24)

where

$$f(\alpha) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \frac{\pi}{\arctan(-\alpha + \omega_{\ell}) + \arctan(\alpha + \omega_{\ell})} > 1 \quad for \ all \ finite \ \omega_{\ell} \ and \ all \ finite \ \alpha \tag{25}$$

In conclusion, the following observations are seen to apply:

- The function $f(\alpha)$ is an even function of α . Thus the above result is also valid for the NMP zero c_2 .
- The maximum lower bound occurs when $\alpha = 0$. This can be proved by differentiating $f(\alpha)$ with respect to α
- When $\alpha >> \omega_{\ell}$, we have that the lower bound reaches a minimum, since then $f(\alpha)$ goes to infinity.
- **Solution 9.5.** We use the Poisson formula as in Lemma 9.5 to compute a lower bound for S_{max} . We first identify the following parameters and expressions:

$$\epsilon = 0.1; \qquad \qquad \omega_{\ell} = 1; \qquad \qquad \omega_h = 8 \tag{26}$$

$$B_p(s) = \frac{s-2}{s+2}; \qquad \qquad B_z(s) = \frac{s-2}{s+2}$$
(27)

Then, using equation (9.4.20) of the book

$$\ln S_{max} > \frac{1}{\Omega(4,8) - \Omega(4,1)} \left[|\pi \ln |B_p(4)| + |(\ln 0.1)\Omega(4,1)| - (\pi - \Omega(4,8))\ln(1.1) \right]$$
(28)

The lower limit for S_{max} can then be computed using the MATLAB routine **smax** (provided on the CD-ROM in the book). This gives $S_{max} > 24.8473$.