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## Unofficial Quiz - Solutions

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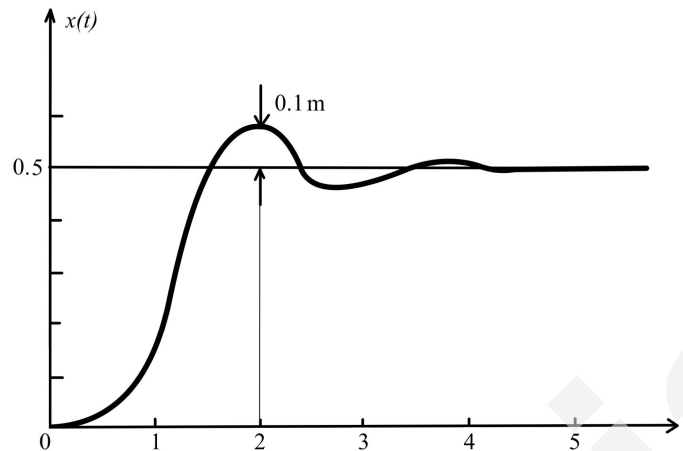
Question 1) Time Domain Analysis	
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Note:  $j$  is used to represent the square root of  $-1$ , and not  $i$ .

## Solutions 2

### 1) Time Domain Analysis

An open loop response, after applying a step function, is shown below (not drawn to scale)



- Find a numerical expression for  $G(s)$ , which is a second order transfer function that relates the output response over the input.
- Find  $x(t)$  and the 96% settling time.

$$\%OS = 20\% \quad \left( \frac{0.5+0.1}{0.5} - 1 = 0.2 \right) \rightarrow \zeta = \frac{-\ln 0.2}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + (\ln 0.2)^2}} \approx 45.59\%$$

$$T_p = 2s = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \rightarrow \omega_n = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{1-(45.59\%)^2}} = 1.7649 \text{ rad/sec}$$

so far, we have  $G(s) = K \frac{1.7649^2}{s^2 + 2(1.765 \cdot 45.59)s + 1.7649^2} \approx K \frac{3.115}{s^2 + 1.609s + 3.115}$

$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{s}{s} G(s) = 0.5$  (final theorem for a step response) Intuitively,  $K = 0.5$  to satisfy.

$$\therefore G(s) \approx \frac{1.557}{s^2 + 1.609s + 3.115} \quad \text{poles: } \frac{-1.609}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{1.609^2 - 4(3.115)}}{2} = -0.8047 \pm j0.7854$$

$$\frac{G(s)}{s} = X(s) = \frac{A}{s + 0.8047 + j0.7854} + \frac{B}{s + 0.8047 - j0.7854} + \frac{C}{s}$$

$$A = \frac{1.557}{s(s + 0.8047 + j0.7854)} \Big|_{s = -0.8047 + j0.7854} = \frac{1.557}{(-0.8047 + j0.7854)(2j0.7854)} = -0.6157 + 0.6308j$$

$$B = \frac{1.557}{s(s + 0.8047 - j0.7854)} \Big|_{s = -0.8047 - j0.7854} = \frac{1.557}{(-0.8047 - j0.7854)(-2j0.7854)} = -0.6157 - 0.6308j$$

$$C = \frac{1.557}{s^2 + 1.609s + 3.115} \Big|_{s=0} = \frac{1}{2}$$

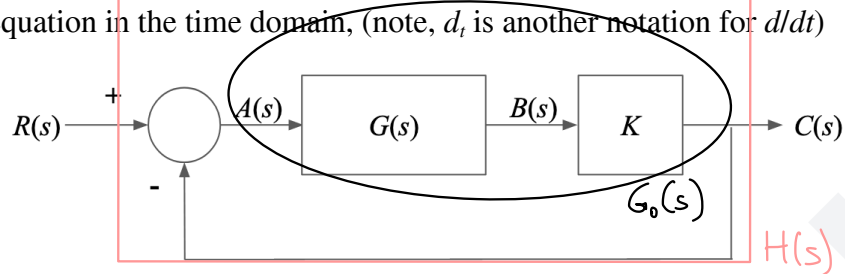
$$X(s) \Rightarrow x(t) = \left[ (-0.6157 + 0.6308j)e^{-0.8047t} e^{j0.7854t} + (-0.6157 - 0.6308j)e^{-0.8047t} e^{-j0.7854t} + \frac{1}{2} \right] u(t)$$

$$T_s = -\frac{\ln(0.04\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})}{\zeta \omega_n} = \frac{-\ln(0.04\sqrt{1-0.4559^2})}{0.4559 \cdot 1.765} \approx 4.1448s \approx T_s$$

## Solutions 3

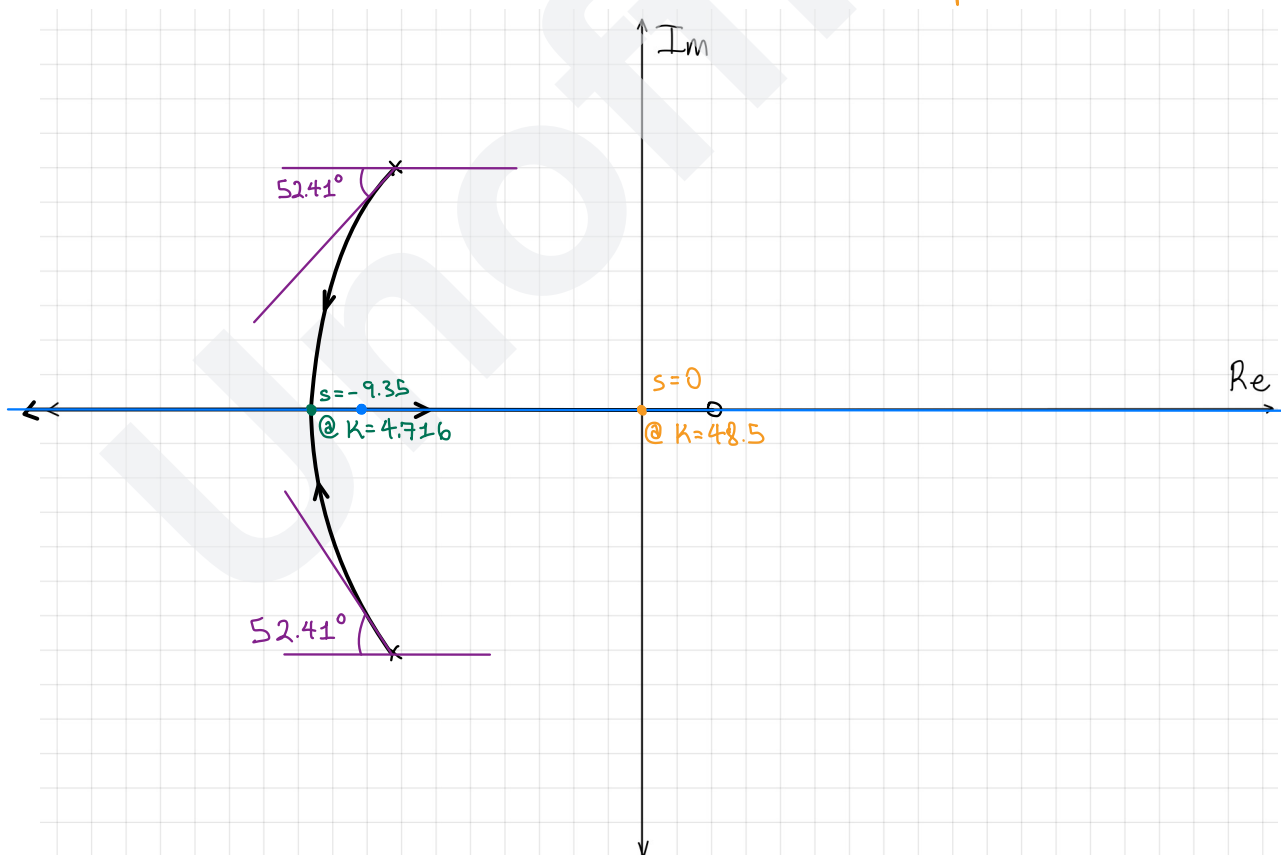
### 2) Root Loci

In the following feedback system, the relationship between point  $A(s)$  and  $B(s)$  are described by the following equation in the time domain, (note,  $d_t$  is another notation for  $d/dt$ )



$$d_t^2 b(t) + 14 d_t b(t) + 97 b(t) = d_t a(t) - 2 a(t)$$

- a) Completely sketch the root locus for this system,  $0 \leq K \leq \infty$ . Numerically mark
- The critically damped point(s) and its/their corresponding  $K$ 's, if any.
  - The closed loop pole(s) where the plot crosses  $j\omega$  axes and its/their corresponding  $K$ 's.
  - The angle of departure from complex poles, if any.
  - The asymptote(s) as  $s$  approach extremely high frequencies.
- b) For part a) i), find  $c(t = \infty)$  for a step response.  $-0.1107$
- c) For part a) ii), if we apply a step response as an input, does the system oscillate? If so, find its oscillation frequency. Otherwise, why not? *No. System is over damped.*



# Solutions 4

Extra space for question 2)

$$d_t^2 b(t) + 14 d_t b(t) + 97 b(t) = d_t a(t) - 2 a(t)$$

↓ Laplace

$$s^2 B(s) + 14s B(s) + 97 B(s) = s A(s) - 2 A(s)$$

$$\frac{B(s)}{A(s)} = \frac{s-2}{s^2+14s+97} = G(s)$$

Zero:  $s = 2$  (and  $\infty$ )

poles:  $\frac{-14 \pm \sqrt{14^2 - 4 \cdot 97}}{2}$  or  $-7 \pm 4\sqrt{3}$   $\sim 6.93$

Break-in/away points

$$G_0(s) = K \frac{s-2}{s^2+14s+97}$$

$$d_s G_0(s) = K(s^2+14s+97)^{-1} - K(s-2)(s^2+14s+97)^{-2} (2s+14) = 0$$

$$s^2+14s+97 = s^2 - 4s - 28$$

$$0 = s^2 - 4s - 125$$

$$s = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 500}}{2}$$

$$2 \pm \sqrt{4+125} = -9.358 \text{ \& } 13.358$$

Corresponding  $K$ : closed loop  $H(s)$  denominator

$$s^2 + s(14+K) + 97 - 2K = (s-2 + \sqrt{129})^2$$

$$\text{Thrs: } (-2 + \sqrt{129})^2 = 97 - 2K$$

$$(-0.5)(-2 + \sqrt{129})^2 - 97 = K = 4.716$$

Marginal stability (jw-axis crossing)

Since closed loop  $H(s)$  denominator is

$$s^2 + s(14+K) + 97 - 2K$$

this should be 0

$$97 - 2K = 0, \text{ so } K = 97/2 = 48.5$$

Does not oscillate since response is overdamped when  $4.716 < K < 48.5$ .

When  $K = 48.5$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c(t) = -\infty$  (unstable!)

Asymptote

$$\sigma_A = \frac{-7 + j4\sqrt{3} - 7 - j4\sqrt{3} - 2}{2-1} = -8$$

$$\frac{(\text{sum of finite poles} - \text{sum of finite zeros})}{\# \text{ of finite poles} - \# \text{ of finite zeros}}$$

$$\theta_A = \frac{180^\circ (2-1)}{2-1} = 180^\circ$$

Angle of departure

Let  $\theta_1$  be  $\theta$  from  $S_z = 2$  to  $S_p = -7 + j4\sqrt{3}$

$$\theta_1 = \arctan\left(\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{-9}\right) \approx -37.6^\circ$$


$\theta_2$  be  $\theta$  from the two poles:  $90^\circ$

$\theta_3$  is  $\theta$  of departure

$$\theta_3 = 180^\circ + \theta_1 - \theta_2 = 180 + \arctan\left(\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{-9}\right) - 90 \approx 52.41^\circ$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{4.716(s-2)}{s^2 + s(14+K) + 97 - 2(4.716)}$$

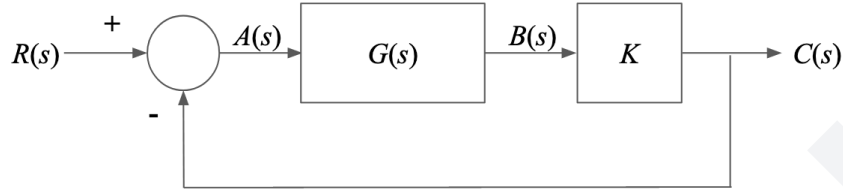
(step response)

$$\frac{4.716(-2)}{97 - 2(4.716)} = -0.1077 = C_{\text{step}}(t \rightarrow \infty)$$

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### 3) Nyquist Criterion

In the following feedback system, the relationship between point  $A(s)$  and  $B(s)$  are described by the following equation in the time domain, (note,  $d_t$  is another notation for  $d/dt$ )



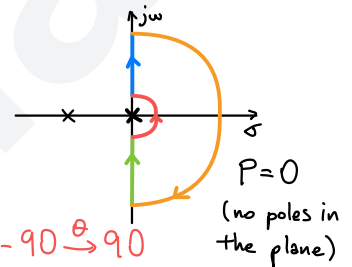
$$d_t^4 b(t) + 10 d_t^3 b(t) = a(t)$$

Completely sketch the Nyquist plot. What values of  $K$ , if any, would this system be stable?

Laplace ↓

$$B(s^4 + 10s^3) = A$$

$$\frac{B}{A}(s) = \frac{1}{s^3(s+10)}$$



$$s = j\omega$$

$$G(j\omega) = \frac{K}{(j\omega)^3(j\omega+10)} = \frac{K}{-j\omega^3(j\omega+10)} = \frac{K}{\omega^4 - j\omega^3 \cdot 10}$$

$$|G(j\omega)| = \frac{K}{\omega^3 \sqrt{\omega^2 + 100}} \quad \angle G = -\arctan\left(\frac{-10}{\omega}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{10}{\omega}\right)$$

when  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ ,  $|G(j\omega)| \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\angle G = 90^\circ$

Test: when  $\omega = 1$ ,  $|G(j\omega)| \approx \frac{K}{10}$ ,  $\angle G = 5.71^\circ$

when  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $|G(j\omega)| \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\angle G = 0^\circ$

(Symmetry)

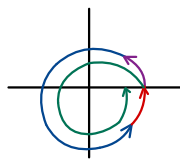
$$s = Re^{j\theta} \quad \& \quad R \rightarrow \infty, \quad 90^\circ \rightarrow -90^\circ$$

$$G(Re^{j\theta}) = \frac{K}{R^3 e^{j3\theta} (Re^{j\theta} + 10)} \approx \frac{K e^{-4j\theta}}{R^4} \approx 0 e^{-4j\theta}$$

since  $R \rightarrow \infty \gg 10$

For  $e^{-j4\theta}$ , will spin twice around origin since  $90^\circ \rightarrow -90^\circ$  is 1 semicircle, so 4 times is twice!

$\angle -4\theta$	@	$90^\circ$	is	$-360^\circ$	or	$0^\circ$
		$80^\circ$	is	$-320^\circ$	or	$40^\circ$
		$\vdots$				
		$10^\circ$	is	$-40^\circ$	or	$320^\circ$
		$0^\circ$	is	$0$	or	$0^\circ$
		$\vdots$				
		$-90^\circ$	is	$0$	or	$0^\circ$

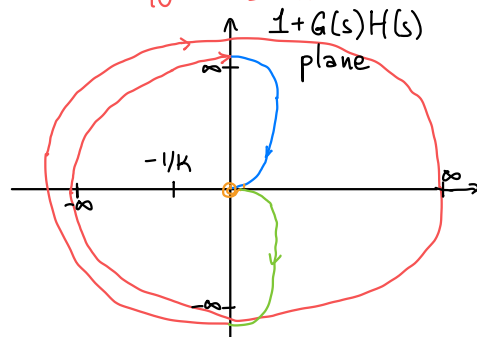
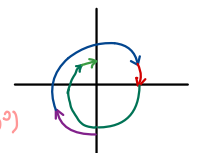


$$s = re^{j\theta} \quad \& \quad R \rightarrow 0 \quad -90^\circ \rightarrow 90^\circ$$

$$G(re^{j\theta}) = \frac{K}{r^3 e^{j3\theta} (re^{j\theta} + 10)} \approx \frac{K e^{-3j\theta}}{10 r^3} \approx \infty e^{-3j\theta}$$

since  $10 \gg r \rightarrow 0$

$\angle -3j\theta$	:	$-90^\circ$	is	$270^\circ$
		$-80^\circ$	is	$240^\circ$
		$\vdots$		
		$-10^\circ$	is	$30^\circ$
		$0^\circ$	is	$0^\circ$
		$\vdots$		
		$80^\circ$	is	$-240^\circ$ ( $120^\circ$ )
		$90^\circ$	is	$-270^\circ$



2 CW rotations around  $-1/K$ ,  $N = -2$

$$Z = P - N = 0 - (-2) = 2 > 0$$

There's 2 poles in AHP of closed loop system.

Always unstable. No values of  $K$  grant stability.

4) Controller

For a unity feedback system, the open loop transfer function is  $G(s) = K[s(s+10)]^{-1}$ .

- a) What is the value of  $K$  where the system is critically damped? **25**
- b) For the  $K$  you found in part a), find the gain margin and phase margin for both an open loop response and the unity feedback.
- c) Implement a controller so that
  - Ramp input steady state error is zero
  - Peak time is 500 ms when the damping factor is  $1/\sqrt{2}$

and draw a simple root locus for the closed loop system that has the controller. The locus needs not be polished, but do draw a line for where the damping factor is  $1/\sqrt{2}$ . You don't need to find the gain of the controller; simply find its essential roots.

d) Should your controller worsen the phase margin, or **improve** it? Why?

2)  $G(s) = \frac{K}{s(s+10)}$  closed loop  
 $H(s) = \frac{K}{s^2 + 10s + K} \equiv \frac{K}{(s+5)^2}$  so  $K=25$

Open loop response:

DC gain:  $G(s) = 25 \frac{1}{s \cdot 10(1 + \frac{s}{10})}$   
 $\rightarrow |G(s=0)| = 2.5$

$\phi_m @ 1 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{sec}} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} 20 \log 2.5 \\ 1 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{sec}} \text{ to } 10 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} 20 \log 2.5 - 20(\log \omega) \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right.$

$20 \log 2.5 - 20(\log \omega) = 0$

so  $\omega = 2.5$

so  $\omega_{cpx} = 1 + \omega = 3.5 \text{ rad/sec}$

$\phi |_{\omega_{cpx}} = -90^\circ - 45 \log(2.5) = -107.91^\circ$

$\phi_m = 180^\circ - 107.91^\circ = 72.09^\circ = \phi_m$

$G_m: |A(\omega=10)| = 20(\log 2.5 - 1)$

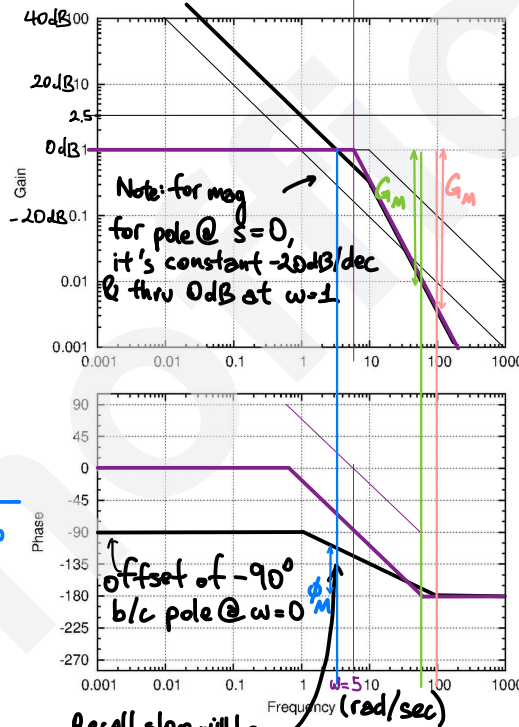
$|A(\omega > 10)| = 20(\log 2.5 - 1) - 40 \log(\frac{\omega}{10})$

$G_m = -|A(\omega=100)| = (20(\log 2.5 - 1) - 40 \log 10)(-1)$   
 $= +52.04 \text{ dB}$

In unity:  $|H(s=0)| = \frac{K}{K} = 1$  so  $\omega_{cpx} = 0$

From Bode:  $G_m = 40 \text{ dB}$

$\phi_m = 180^\circ$   
 (or  $90^\circ$ , anywhere you can define)



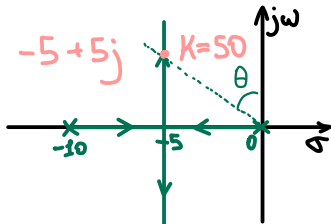
Open loop  $\phi_m \approx 72.09^\circ$   
 Open loop  $G_m \approx 52.04 \text{ dB}$   
 Closed loop:  $90^\circ \leq \phi_m \leq 180^\circ$   
 Closed loop  $G_m = 40 \text{ dB}$

Extra space for question 4)

c)  $T_p = 0.5^s$  &  $\zeta = 1/\sqrt{2}$

$\omega_d = \frac{\pi}{0.5} = 2\pi$        $\theta = \pi/4 (45^\circ)$

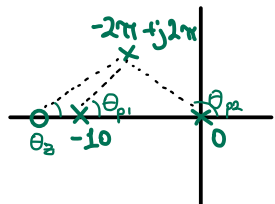
Root locus should look like



$K = 50$  b/c  $(-5+5j) \cdot (-5-5j) = 25 + 25 = 50$

New pole:  $\sigma = \frac{\omega_d}{\tan \theta} = \frac{2\pi}{\tan(\pi/4 + \pi/2)} = -2\pi \rightarrow s = -2\pi + j2\pi$

$\angle \theta_z - \angle \theta_p = 180^\circ = \underbrace{-\theta_{p1} - \theta_{p2}}_{\text{orig. poles}} + \theta_z = -180^\circ$



$\theta_z = 135^\circ + \arctan\left(\frac{2\pi}{10-2\pi}\right) - 180^\circ = 14.39^\circ$

$\arctan\left(\frac{\omega_p}{\sigma - \sigma_p}\right) = 14.39^\circ \rightarrow \sigma = \frac{2\pi}{\tan 14.39^\circ} + 2\pi \approx 30.77$

$G_{PD} = s + 30.77$

$G(s) = \frac{K}{s(s+10)} K_p \frac{(s+0.1)(s+30.77)}{s}$

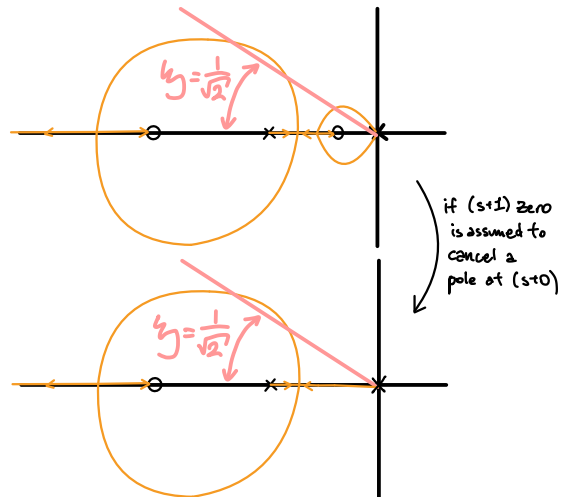
Is PI necessary?

$e_{\text{ramp}}(\infty) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \frac{R(s)}{1+G(s)} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^2} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{K}{s^2+10s}}$   
 $= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^2+10s+K} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{s+10}{s^2+10s+K} = \frac{10}{K}$

$e_{\text{ramp}}(\infty) \neq 0$ , YES, PI is necessary.

Let's choose  $PI = \frac{s+0.1}{s}$

$G_{PID}(s) = \frac{(s+0.1)(s+30.77)}{s} \cdot K_p$



d) PD (and PID)'s add zeroes. so the controller improves  $\phi_m$ .

## Formula Sheet

$f(t)$	$F(s)$
$\delta(t - T)$	$e^{-Ts}$
$(t - T) u(t - T)$	$e^{-Ts} s^{-2}$
$e^{-a(t-T)} u(t - T)$	$e^{-Ts} (s + a)^{-1}$
$t^{n-1} e^{-at} u(t)$	$(n - 1)! (s + a)^{-n}$
$\cos(\omega t) e^{-at} u(t)$	$(s + a) ((s + a)^2 + \omega^2)^{-1}$
$\sin(\omega t) e^{-at} u(t)$	$\omega ((s + a)^2 + \omega^2)^{-1}$
$d_t^n f(t)$	$s^n F(s) - \sum_{i=1}^n s^{n-i} d_t^i f(0^-)$
$\int f(t) dt$	$F(s) / s$
$A e^{-at} t^{n-1} u(t) / (n - 1)!$	$A / (a + s)^n$