

Root Locus Techniques

The root locus is a powerful technique as it brings into focus the complete dynamic response of the system and further, being a graphical technique an approximate root locus sketch can be made quickly and the designer can easily visualize the effects of varying system parameters on root locations.

Feedback control systems are difficult to comprehend from a qualitative point of view, and hence they rely heavily upon mathematics. So gains and other parameters were designed to yield a desired transient response for only first and second order systems. The root locus can be used to solve the same kind of problem, its real power lies in its stability to provide solution for systems of order higher than two.

The root locus can be used to describe qualitatively the performance of the system as various parameters are changed such that the effect of varying gain (K), upon percent overshoot, settling time, and peak time.

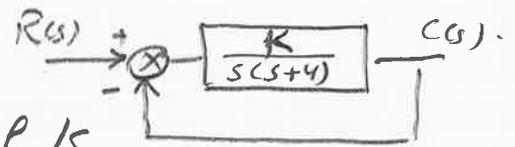
The root locus also gives a graphic representation of a system's stability we can clearly see ranges of stability or instability.

The root locus concepts

Consider the control system represented by figure

The characteristic equation is

$$s^2 + 4s + K = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$



the roots of ch. eq. depend upon the value of K

the roots of eq (1) are $s_{1,2} = a \pm j b$

$$a = -2, \quad b = \sqrt{K - a^2} = \sqrt{K - 4}$$

$$\text{For } K > 4 \Rightarrow r_{1,2} = -2 \pm j\sqrt{K-4}$$

$$K = 4 \Rightarrow r_{1,2} = -2$$

$$K < 4 \Rightarrow r_{1,2} = -2 \mp \sqrt{4-K}$$

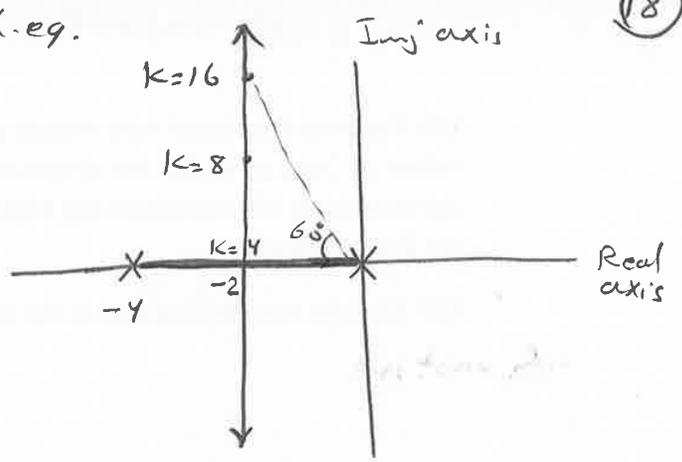
this figure is a plot of the roots of Ch. eq.

for various value of k,

when $k=0$, $s_{1,2} = 0, -4$

$k=4$, $s_{1,2} = -2$

$k=16$, $s_{1,2} = -2 \pm j\sqrt{12}$



Sketching a Root Locus

- The root locus approaches straight lines as asymptotes, the equation of asymptotes is given by the real axis intercept σ_a , and angle

θ_a as

$$\sigma_a = \frac{\sum \text{poles} - \sum \text{zeros}}{n \text{ of poles} - n \text{ of zeros}}$$

$$\theta_a = \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{n \text{ poles} - n \text{ zeros}}$$

- Real axis breakaway and breakin points

root loci appear to break away from the real axis as a system poles move from real axis to the complex plane.

to find the points at which the root locus breaks away from breaks in to the real axis by maximize and minimize the gain.

where the ch. eq. yield $k = - \frac{1}{G(s)H(s)}$

then $\frac{dk(s)}{ds} = 0 \Rightarrow$ to get the value of s which are the breakaway and break in points.

- Frequency and Gain at Imaginary - axis Crossing

the frequency ω and gain k for which the root locus crosses the imaginary axis can be find by using Routh's Array to find the value of k and then change ($s \rightarrow \omega j$) in ch. eq to find the frequency (ω) in rad/sec

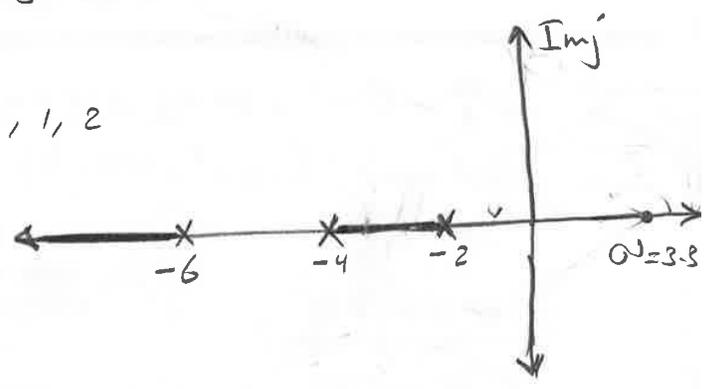
Ex:1 sketch the root locus for unity feedback system that has forward transfer function $G(s) = \frac{k}{(s+2)(s+4)(s+6)}$

$$\omega_a = \frac{\sum P - \sum Z}{P - Z} = \frac{-12 - 0}{3 - 1} = \frac{-12}{2} = -6$$

$$\theta_a = \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{P-Z} = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad k=0, 1, 2$$

$$= \frac{3\pi}{2} = \pi$$

$$= \frac{5\pi}{2}$$



the $G(s)$, has three poles only $s = -2, -4, -6$
the area of roots take from first (pole or zero) at right hand in real axis. (the dark area)

ch. eq of system is $(s+2)(s+4)(s+6) + k = 0$

$$K(s) = -(s^3 + 12s^2 + 44s + 48)$$

$$\frac{dk}{ds} = -(3s^2 + 24s + 44) = 0$$

$$s^2 + 8s + 14.67 = 0$$

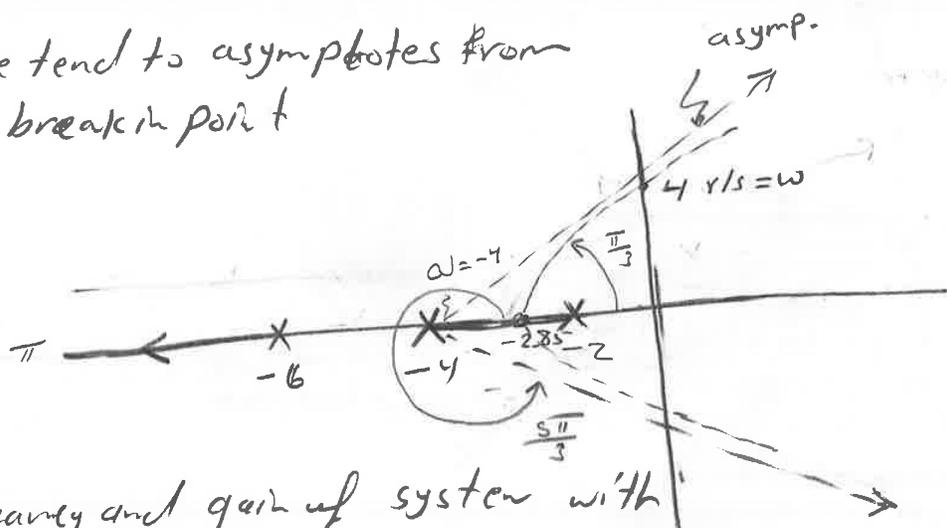
$$s_{1,2} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 4 \cdot 14.67}}{2}$$

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= -5.15, -2.85$$

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the poles will move toward asymptotes from breakaway and breakin point



to find the frequency and gain of system with imaginary axis by

$$\text{ch. eq} \Rightarrow s^3 + 12s^2 + 44s + (48 + k) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} s^3 & 1 \quad 44 \\ s^2 & 12 \quad 48+k \\ s^1 & \frac{528 - (48+k)}{12} \\ s^0 & 48+k \end{array}$$

to stay system stable - must be $\frac{528 - (48+k)}{12} > 0$

$$528 - 48 - k > 0$$

$$k = 480$$

For $k = 480$, the roots cross the imaginary axis. and to find frequency by putting $s = j\omega$ in ch. eq.

$$(j\omega)^3 + 12(j\omega)^2 + 44j\omega + 48 + k = 0$$

$$-j\omega^3 - 12\omega^2 + 44j\omega + 48 + k = 0$$

$$(44\omega - \omega^3)j + (48 + k - 12\omega^2) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Im}j \\ \text{Real} \end{array}$$

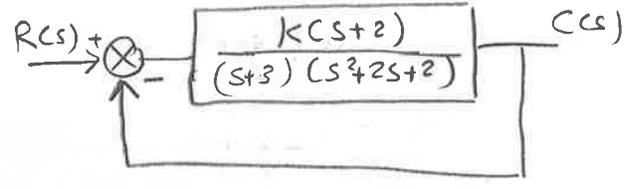
$$44\omega - \omega^3 = 0 \Rightarrow \omega^2 = 44, \omega_{1,2} = \pm 6.63$$

$$\text{and } k \Rightarrow 48 + k - 12(44) = 0$$

$$k = 480$$

Ex:2/ Given the unity feedback system of figure, find the angle of departure from the complex poles and sketch the root locus.

Sol



Poles, $-3, -1+j, -1-j$
Zeros, -2

$$\theta_a = \frac{\sum P - \sum Z}{P - Z} = \frac{(-3-1-1) - (-2)}{3 - 1} = \frac{-5+2}{2} = -1.5^\circ$$

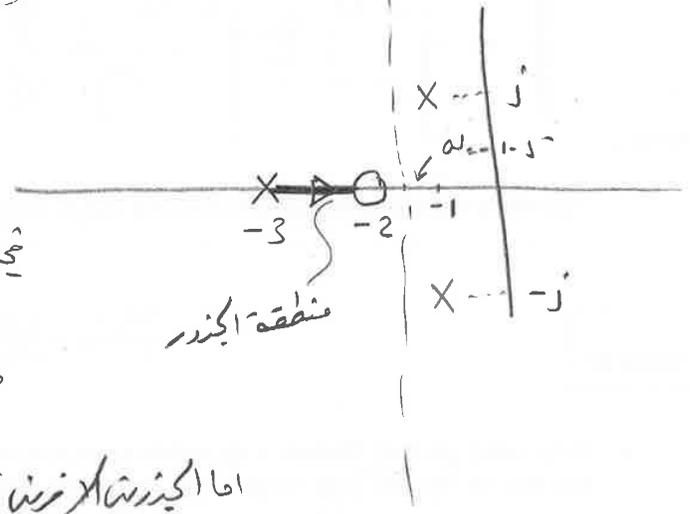
$$s^2 + 2s + 2 = 0$$

$$s_{1,2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4-8}}{2} = -1 \pm j$$

$$\theta_a = \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{P-Z}, \quad k=0, 1, \dots$$

$$\theta_a = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

asym



منطقة الجذور حول دوائرنا Poles نحملها Zeros ←
X → O
وكتفيتها نقطة التفرقة

اما الجذور البعيدة فيجب ان يكونا ياتوا الكاويات ويكون مرتبها
شروطها زاوية تسمى زاوية المقادير

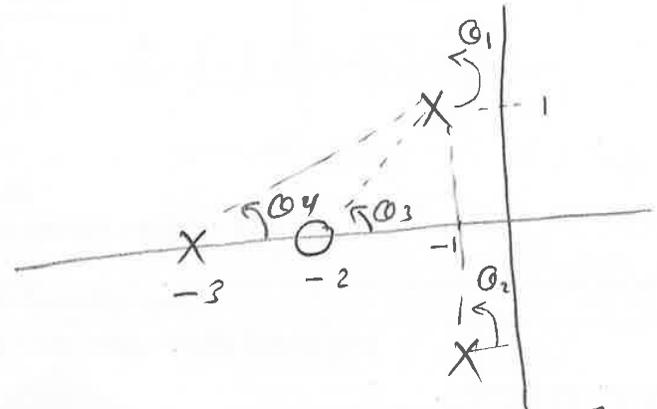
to find the angle of departure, do

$$\sum \theta_{i \text{ zeros}} - \sum \theta_{i \text{ poles}} = 180$$

$$\theta_3 - \theta_1 - \theta_2 - \theta_4 = 180$$

$$45 - \theta_1 - 90 - 26.5 = 180$$

$$\theta_1 = -251.56^\circ = 108.4^\circ$$

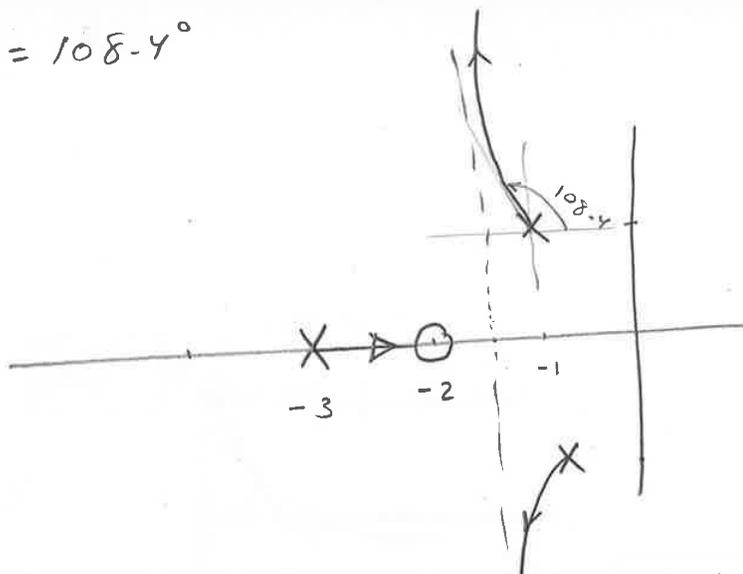


$$\theta_3 = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{1} = 45^\circ$$

$$\theta_4 = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = 26.5^\circ$$

$$\theta_2 = 90$$

the angle of departure $\theta_1 = 108.4^\circ$

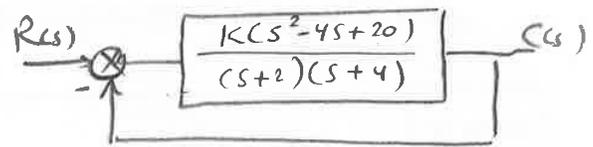


Ex:3 / sketch the root locus for the system shown in figure and find

- ① The exact point and gain where the locus crosses the 0.45-damping ratio line.
- ② The exact point and gain where the locus crosses the $j\omega$ -axis
- ③ The breakaway point on the real axis
- ④ The range of K within which the system is stable.

Sol

Zeros $\Rightarrow s^2 - 4s + 20 = 0$, $s_{1/2} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 80}}{2} = 2 \pm 4j$



Poles $\Rightarrow s = -2, -4$

$\sigma_a = \frac{\sum p - \sum z}{p - z} = \frac{-6 - (-2 - 2)}{2 - 2} = \frac{-2}{0}$ No asymptotes

θ_a . No angle .

ch-eq \Rightarrow to find breakaway $\Rightarrow G(s) = \frac{K(s^2 - 4s + 20)}{(s + 2)(s + 4)}$

$1 + G(s)H(s) = 0 \Rightarrow 1 + \frac{K(s^2 - 4s + 20)}{(s + 2)(s + 4)} = 0$

$K = \frac{s^2 + 6s + 8}{s^2 - 4s + 20} \Rightarrow \frac{dk}{ds} = \frac{(s^2 + 6s + 8)(2s - 4) - (s^2 - 4s + 20)(2s + 6)}{(s^2 - 4s + 20)^2}$

$\therefore 2s^3 - 4s^2 + 12s^2 - 24s + 16s - 32 - (2s^3 + 6s^2 - 8s^2 - 24s + 40s + 120) = 0$

$10s^2 - 24s - 152 = 0$

$s^2 - 2.4s - 15.2 = 0 \Rightarrow s_{1/2} = \frac{2.4 \pm \sqrt{2.4^2 + 60.8}}{2} = 5.28, -2.88$

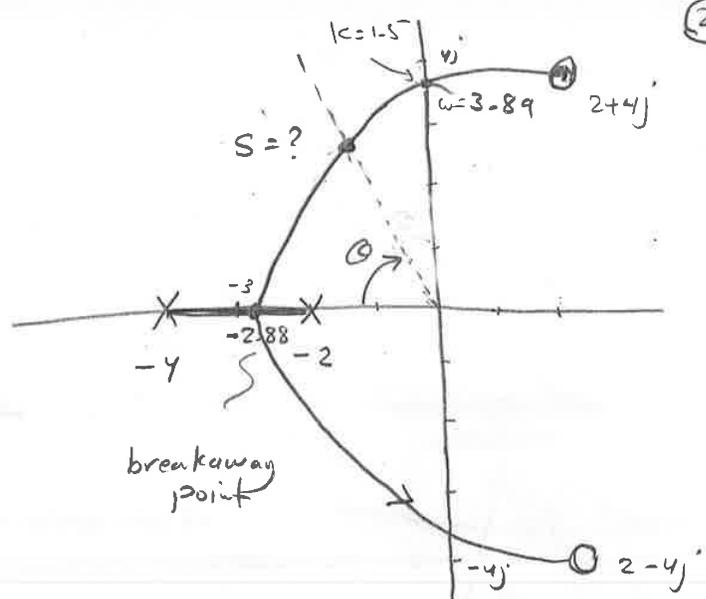
to find the exact point and gain at crosses with 0.45 damping ratio.

$\therefore \cos^{-1} 0.45 = 63.25^\circ = \theta$

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$s = -1.5 \pm 3j$ sub it ch. eq.

$|G(s)H(s)| = 1$



$\left| \frac{k(s^2 - 4s + 20)}{(s+2)(s+4)} \right| = 1$ to find k at this point
 $s = -1.5 + 3j$

$\left| \frac{k[(-1.5+3j)^2 - 4(-1.5+3j) + 20]}{(-1.5+3j+2)(-1.5+3j+4)} \right| = 1$
 $(0.5+3j)(2.5+3j)$

$\left| \frac{k(2.25 - 4.5j - 9 + 6 - 12j + 20)}{1.25 + 1.5j + 7.5j - 9} \right| = 1 \Rightarrow k = \frac{19.25 - 16.5j}{-7.75 + 9j}$

$k \frac{\sqrt{19.25^2 + (16.5)^2}}{\sqrt{(7.75)^2 + (9)^2}} = 1 \Rightarrow k = \frac{11.87}{25.35} = 0.4$

to find the exact point and gain with crosses at imaginary axis by Routh or put $s = \omega j$ in ch. eq.

ch. eq $\Rightarrow (s+2)(s+4) + k(s^2 - 4s + 20) = 0$
 $s^2 + 6s + 8 + ks^2 - 4ks + 20k = 0$
 $(1+k)s^2 + (6-4k)s + (8+20k) = 0$

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s^3	$1+k$	$8+20k$
s^2	$6-4k$	0
s^1	$8+20k$	

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$6-4k = 0$
 $\therefore k = 1.5$

sub $k=1.5$ to find frequency

$$(1+1.5)(\omega j)^2 + (6-4(1.5))\omega j + (8 + 20 \times 1.5) = 0$$

$$-2.5\omega^2 + 38 = 0 \Rightarrow \omega^2 = 15.2 \Rightarrow \omega = 3.89 \text{ rad/sec.}$$

Ex: 4 The T.F of a unity feedback control system is given by $G(s) = \frac{k}{s(s+2)(s+4)}$

Draw the root locus also determine

- i) the value of k to have 45% overshoot for unit step input
- ii) " " " k for sustained oscillation in output
- iii) " " " k_v corresponding to value of k as obtained in (i)
- iv) the value of settling time t_s .

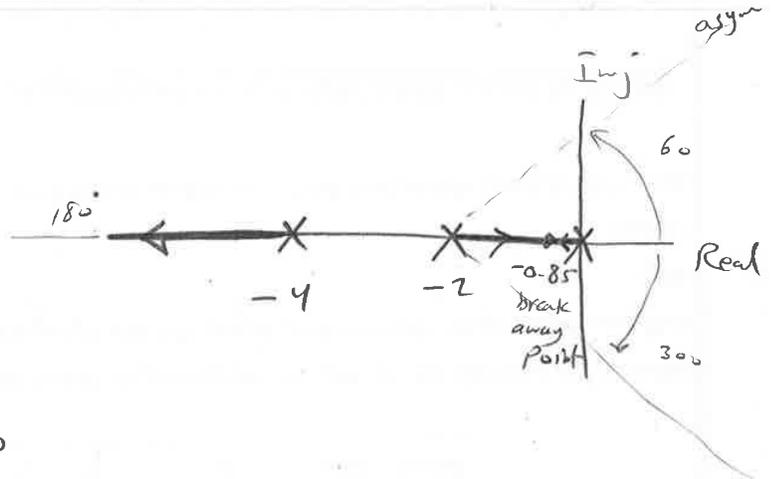
sol

- poles $0, -2, -4$

$$\sigma_a = \frac{\sum p - \sum z}{p - z} = \frac{-6 - 0}{3 - 0} = -2$$

$$\zeta_a = \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{p - z}, k = 0, 1, 2$$

$$\zeta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}$$



- breakaway point $\Rightarrow 1 + G(s)H(s) = 0$

$$\therefore k = -s(s+2)(s+4)$$

$$k = -(s^3 + 6s^2 + 8s)$$

$$\frac{dk}{ds} = -(3s^2 + 12s + 8) = 0$$

$$s_{1,2} = -3.15, -0.85$$

- intersection with the imaginary axis, $1 + G(s)H(s) = 0$.

$$s(s+2)(s+4) + k = 0$$

$$s^3 + 6s^2 + 8s + k = 0$$

the critical value of $k = 48$

to find frequency at this value of k

$$6s^2 + k = 0 \Rightarrow s^2 = -\frac{48}{6}$$

$$\therefore s_{1,2} = \pm j\sqrt{8} = \pm 2.8j$$

s^3	1	8
s^2	6	k
s^1	$\frac{48-k}{6}$	
s^0	k	

The max. overshoot is given $M_p\% = e^{\frac{-\pi \zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}} \times 100$

$M_p = 45\%$

$\frac{45}{100} = e^{\frac{-\pi \zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}} \Rightarrow \zeta = 0.24$

$\therefore \cos \theta = \zeta \Rightarrow \theta = 75.96^\circ$

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$s = -0.5 + 1.8j$

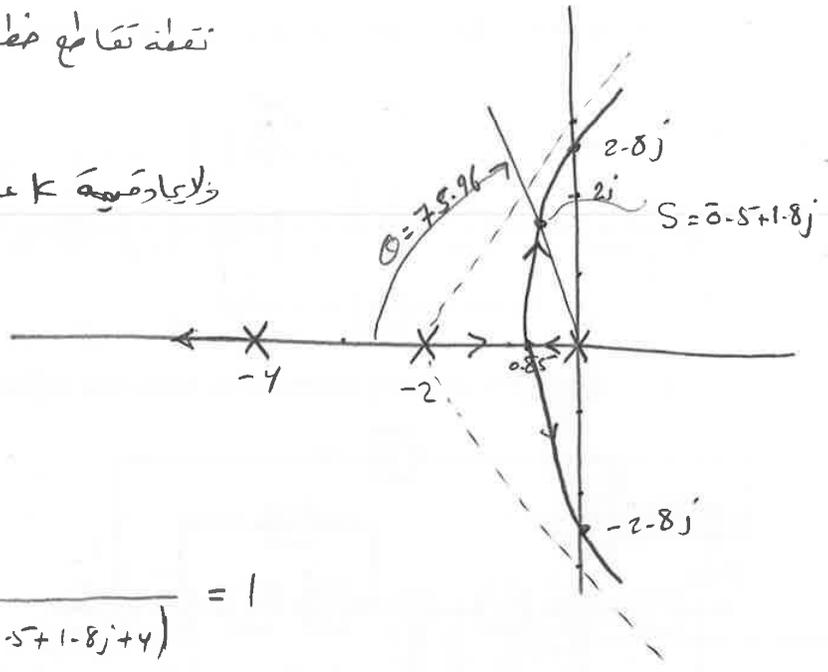
والبارامترية k عند تلك النقطة نعوض قيمة s في معادله

$|G(s)H(s)| = 1$

$\left| \frac{k}{s(s+2)(s+4)} \right| = 1$

$\frac{k}{|-0.5+1.8j| |-0.5+1.8j+2| |-0.5+1.8j+4|} = 1$

$\frac{k}{|2.34| |1.5+1.8j| |3.5+1.8j|} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{k}{1.86 \times 2.34 \times 3.93} = 1 \Rightarrow k = 17.13$



$-K_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \cdot G(s)H(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \cdot \frac{k=17.13}{s(s+2)(s+4)} = \frac{17.13}{2 \times 4} = 2.14$

$\therefore s = -0.5 + 1.8j$

$= -\zeta \omega_n + j \omega_d$ by comparing

$\therefore \zeta \omega_n = 0.5$

$\therefore t_s = \frac{4}{\zeta \omega_n} = \frac{4}{0.5} = 8 \text{ sec.}$

Ex-5 Draw the root locus plot for the following control system

(26)

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{K(s+2)(s+3)}{s(s+1)}$$

sol

poles, 0, -1

zeros, -2, -3

$$\sigma_a = \frac{-1 - (-5)}{2 - 2} = \frac{4}{0} \text{ No asymptote, and No angle } \theta_a$$

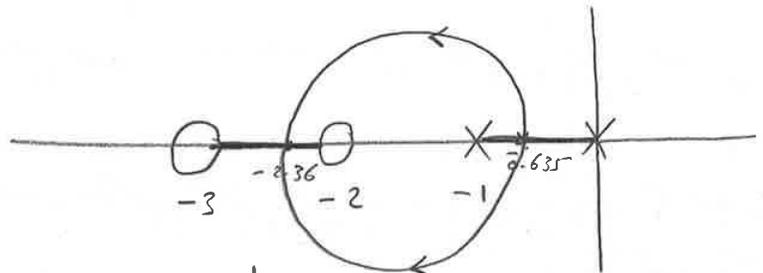
$$\text{breakaway} \Rightarrow 1 + G(s)H(s) = 0 \Rightarrow K = \frac{-s(s+1)}{(s+2)(s+3)} = \frac{-(s^2+s)}{(s^2+5s+6)}$$

$$\frac{dK}{ds} = -\frac{[(s^2+5s+6)(2s+1) - (s^2+s)(2s+5)]}{(s^2+5s+6)^2} = -\frac{[4s^2+12s+6]}{(s^2+5s+6)^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4s^2 + 12s + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow 2s^2 + 6s + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow s_{1,2} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4 \times 2 \times 3}}{2 \times 2}$$

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H-w Draw the root locus for the following systems

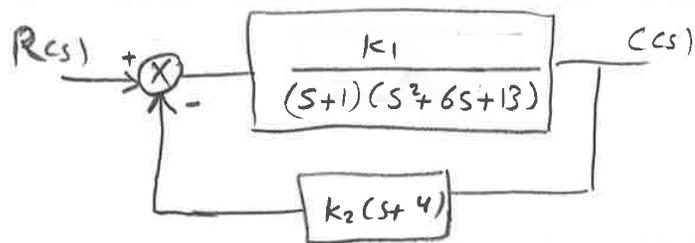
$$(1) G(s)H(s) = \frac{K}{(s^2+2s+2)(s^2+2s+5)}$$

$$(2) G(s)H(s) = \frac{K(s+2)}{s(s^2+3s+4)}$$

$$(3) G(s)H(s) = \frac{K(s^2+s+4)}{s(s+4)(s+10)}, \text{ find the value of } K \text{ at } \xi = 0.5$$

$$(4) G(s)H(s) = \frac{K(s+2)}{s(s+1)(s^2+4s+8)}$$

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6 sketch the root locus for each of the following characteristic equations

① $s(s^2+8s+25) + K(s+2) = 0$ ② $s(s^2+8s+25) + K(s+2)(s+4) = 0$.