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## **MEG 421 Automatic Controls**

Third Test, Closed Book examination

**1. (30 points)** (a) Construct the Bode plot of the plant  $G(s) = \frac{10K(0.3s+1)}{s(s+1)^2}$  for K=1.

Construct accurate asymptotic approximations of both magnitude and phase plots. (b) Determine the critical gain K (stability limit) of the closed loop system, using the Nyquist criterion in the Bode plot.



2. (30 points) The Bode plot of the open-loop system  $G(s) = \frac{90}{s(0.5s+1)^2}$  is shown below at



left.

- (a) Draw the polar plot of the openloop system below. Scale both polar plot axes!
  - (b) Applying the Nyquist criterion in one of the two plots (your choice), determine whether the closed loop system is stable. Explain!

(c) Determine the system's gain margin.

Answer a:  $|\mathbf{F}| \rightarrow \inf \text{ at } \omega = 0$ . Neg. real axis crossing at  $|F| \sim 50$ 





## 3. (10 points) A transfer function is given as

$$G_{open}(s) = \frac{36}{s(s+6)(s+4)(s+0.5)}$$

Determine the system's steady state gain and time constants, so that it can be rewritten in the standard from used for frequency response analysis:

$$G_{open}(s) = \frac{K_{ss}}{s(\tau_1 s + I)(\tau_2 s + I)(\tau_3 s + I)}$$

Kss = 3				
τ1 =	1/6	τ2 =	0.25	$\tau 3 = 2$

**4. (30 points)** The Bode plot on the next page depicts an open-loop system G(s) where  $G(s) = \frac{1}{(0.2s+1)(0.1s+1)(0.025s+1)}$  A lag compensator is given as  $G_{lag}(s) = \frac{s/z+1}{(s/0.1z+1)}$  where z is the lag zero.

A phase margin of 45 degrees (marked in the plot) is desired for closed loop control.

- (a) Determine the P-controlled system's gain K at the desired phase margin.
- (b) **Graphically add** a lag compensator such that the resulting system has a higher closed loop gain (at least 5 times better than P-control) at the phase margin of approximately 45 degrees. Show clearly in the Bode plot how you selected the lag zero and pole.

10pts

(c) Sketch the approximate compensated system (Plant \* Lead)

Answers (a) Gain K (P-control) = 3	5pts
(b) Controller gain K (Lag control) = $30$	5pts
Lag transfer function = $10*(s+1.2)/(s+0.12)$	5pts
(c) $\omega_{CR}$ (Comp*Sys) = 12 rad/s	5pts

Accuracy and completeness of plot next page:

