## Rules for Constructing Root Locus for $0 \leq K \leq \infty$ :



Loop Transfer Function: $K G H=K \frac{G_{N}}{G_{D}} \frac{H_{N}}{H_{D}}=K \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n}\left(s-z_{i}\right)}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_{n}}\left(s-p_{i}\right)}$
Closed -loop Transfer Function: $\frac{K G}{1+K G H}=\frac{\frac{K G_{N}}{G_{D}}}{1+\frac{K G_{N} H_{N}}{G_{D} H_{D}}}=\frac{K G_{N} H_{D}}{G_{D} H_{D}+K G_{N} H_{N}}$
Characteristic Equation : $1+K G H=0$ OR $G_{D} H_{D}+K G_{N} H_{N}=0$
$\Rightarrow \quad K=-\frac{1}{G H}=-\frac{G_{D} H_{D}}{G_{N} H_{N}}=-\frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n_{p}}\left(s-p_{i}\right)}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_{s}}\left(s-z_{i}\right)}$
$\Rightarrow \quad \sum_{i=1}^{n_{p}} \operatorname{angles}\left\{\left(s-p_{i}\right)\right\}-\sum_{i=1}^{n_{z}}$ angles $\left\{\left(s-z_{i}\right)\right\}= \pm k\left(180^{\circ}\right), k-1,3,5, \ldots \quad$ Angle Criterion
and $K=\frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n_{p}}\left|\left(s-p_{i}\right)\right|}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_{s}}\left|\left(s-z_{i}\right)\right|}$

Rule 1. The root locus has $n=\max \left(n_{p}, n_{z}\right)$ branches where $n_{p}$ is the number of finite poles of the loop transfer function and $n_{z}$ is the number of finite zeros of the loop transfer function.

Rule 2. The root locus is symmetric about the real axis in the s-plane.
Rule 3. The root locus branches begin $(K=0)$ at the loop transfer function poles and end ( $K=\infty$ ) on the loop transfer function zeros.

Rule 4. The root locus exists on the real axis if there is an odd number of poles and zeros (of the loop transfer function) to the right on the real axis.

Rule 5. The branches of the root locus which go off to the loop transfer function zeros at infinity approach asymptotically the straight lines with angles

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\text { Angles of the asymptotes : } \theta=\frac{ \pm k\left(180^{\circ}\right)}{n_{p}-n_{z}}, k=1,3,5, \ldots
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These asymptotes intersect the real axis at

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\sigma=\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_{p}} p_{i}-\sum_{i=1}^{n_{z}} z_{i}}{n_{p}-n_{z}}
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where $p_{i}$ and $z_{i}$ are respectively the finite poles and zeros of the loop transfer function. The number of asymptotes is equal to $\left(n_{p}-n_{z}\right)$
Rule 6. The root locus branches intersect the real axis at points where $K=\frac{-1}{G(s) H(s)}$ is at an extremum for real values of $s$, i.e., for real values of $s$ where $\frac{d}{d s}\left(\frac{-1}{G(s) H(s)}\right)=0$.

Rule 7. $\quad j \omega$-axis crossings may be determined by solving the characteristic equation with $s=j \omega$.

Rule 8 (a) The root locus angle of departure from a complex pole $p_{c}$ can be found by subtracting from $180^{\circ}$ the angle contribution at this pole of all other finite poles and adding the angle contribution of all finite zeros of the loop transfer function.

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\begin{gathered}
\left.\theta_{d}\right|_{s=p_{c}}=180^{\circ}-\sum\left(\text { Angles of all other finite poles to } p_{c}\right) \\
+\sum\left(\text { Angles of all finite zeros to } p_{c}\right)
\end{gathered}
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Rule 8 (b) The root locus angle of arrival at a complex zero $z_{c}$ can be found by adding to $\left(-180^{\circ}\right)$ the angle contribution at this zero of all finite poles and subtracting the angle contribution of all other finite zeros of the loop transfer function.

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\begin{aligned}
\left.\theta_{a}\right|_{s=z_{c}}=-180^{0} & +\sum\left(\text { Angles of all finite poles to } z_{c}\right) \\
& -\sum\left(\text { Angles of all other finite zeros to } z_{c}\right)
\end{aligned}
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Rule 9. The value of $K$ corresponding to a point $s=s_{r}$ on the root locus is determined by using the magnitude criterion: $\quad K=\frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n_{p}}\left|\left(s_{r}-p_{i}\right)\right|}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_{i}}\left|\left(s_{r}-z_{i}\right)\right|}$

In case of systems with positive feedback instead of negative feedback:

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\text { Closed -loop Transfer Function: } \frac{K G}{1-K G H}=\frac{\frac{K G_{N}}{G_{D}}}{1-\frac{K G_{N} H_{N}}{G_{D} H_{D}}}=\frac{K G_{N} H_{D}}{G_{D} H_{D}-K G_{N} H_{N}}
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In Rule 4 , replace odd by even ..
In Rule 5, change $\theta$ to: $\theta=\frac{ \pm k\left(360^{\circ}\right)}{n_{p}-n_{z}}, k=1,2,3, \ldots$
In Rule 8 , change $180^{\circ}$ to $\mathbf{3 6 0}{ }^{\circ}$.

