Sketch the root locus of

$$KGH = \frac{64 \text{ k}}{\text{s}(\text{s}+4) \cdot (\text{s}+16)}$$
(1)

Solution:

In the equation above there are no zeros. The poles are at s = 0, s = -4, s = -16. Branches of loci start at open-loop poles and terminate at open-loop zeros at infinity.

The root locus exists on the real axis between s = 0 and s = -4, s = -16 and $s = -\infty$. The root locus exists on the same real axis when an odd number of poles and zeros are found to the right of the point.

The asymmetrical angles are

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$$\alpha = \frac{(2 \text{ k} + 1) \cdot 180^{\circ}}{\Sigma P - \Sigma Z}$$

$$\alpha := \frac{(2 \text{ k} + 1) \cdot 180}{3}$$

$$\alpha = 120 \text{ k} + 60 \qquad (2)$$

$$k := 0$$

$$\alpha := \frac{(2 \text{ k} + 1) \cdot 180}{3}$$

$$\alpha = 60$$

$$k := 1$$

$$\alpha := \frac{(2 \text{ k} + 1) \cdot 180}{3}$$

$$\alpha = 180$$

$$k := 2$$

$$||| \qquad \alpha := \frac{(2 k+1) \cdot 180}{3}$$

α = 300

The center of gravity is given by

$$\Sigma Z := 0 \qquad \Sigma P := 3$$

$$CG = \frac{\Sigma P \text{ values} - \Sigma Z \text{ values}}{\Sigma P - \Sigma Z} \qquad (3)$$

$$CG := \frac{-16 - 4 - 0 + 0}{\Sigma P - \Sigma Z}$$

$$CG = -6.667$$

The center of gravity gives the starting point for the asymptotic lines.

The breakaway point is given by

$$\frac{1}{S_{\rm b}} = \frac{1}{16 - S_{\rm b}} + \frac{1}{4 - S_{\rm b}}$$
(4)

or

$$(16 - S_b) \cdot (4 - S_b) = S_b \cdot (4 - S_b) + S_b \cdot (16 - S_b)$$

The approximate value of $S_{\rm b}\, is$

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$$((16 - S_b) \cdot (4 - S_b) = S_b \cdot (4 - S_b) + S_b \cdot (16 - S_b), S_b) = \begin{bmatrix} 1.859 & 11.474 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $S_b \approx -1.86$

The breakaway angle from the real axis is $\pm 90^{\circ}$.



The maximum value of K for which the system is stable is found by substituting $s = j\phi$,

$$KGH (j\phi) = \frac{64 K}{j\phi (j\phi + 4) \cdot (j\phi + 16)}$$
(5)

Setting KGH (j ϕ) = -1 we have

$$\frac{64 \text{ K}}{j\varphi (j\varphi + 4) \cdot (j\varphi + 16)} = -1$$
(6)

Solving for K

$$K = \frac{20\varphi^{2} + j\varphi(\varphi^{2} - 64)}{64}$$
(7)

For K to be a real number ϕ^2 - 64 must be equal to zero.

$$\varphi^2 == 64 = \left[\varphi \left[-8 \ 8 \right] \right]$$

From equation (7), for $\phi = \pm 8$, we get K

$$\varphi := 8$$

$$K := \frac{20 \cdot \varphi^2 + j\varphi (\varphi^2 - 64)}{64}$$

$$K = 20$$

The root locus of the system is shown in the figure below.

$$KGH = \frac{64 \text{ K}}{\text{s}(\text{s}+4) \cdot (\text{s}+16)}$$