

# Today's goals

- **Last week**
  - Frequency response= $G(j\omega)$
  - Bode plots
- **Today**
  - Using Bode plots to determine stability
    - Gain margin
    - Phase margin
  - Using frequency response to determine transient characteristics
    - damping ratio / percent overshoot
    - bandwidth / response speed
    - steady-state error
  - Gain adjustment in the frequency domain

# Gain and phase margins

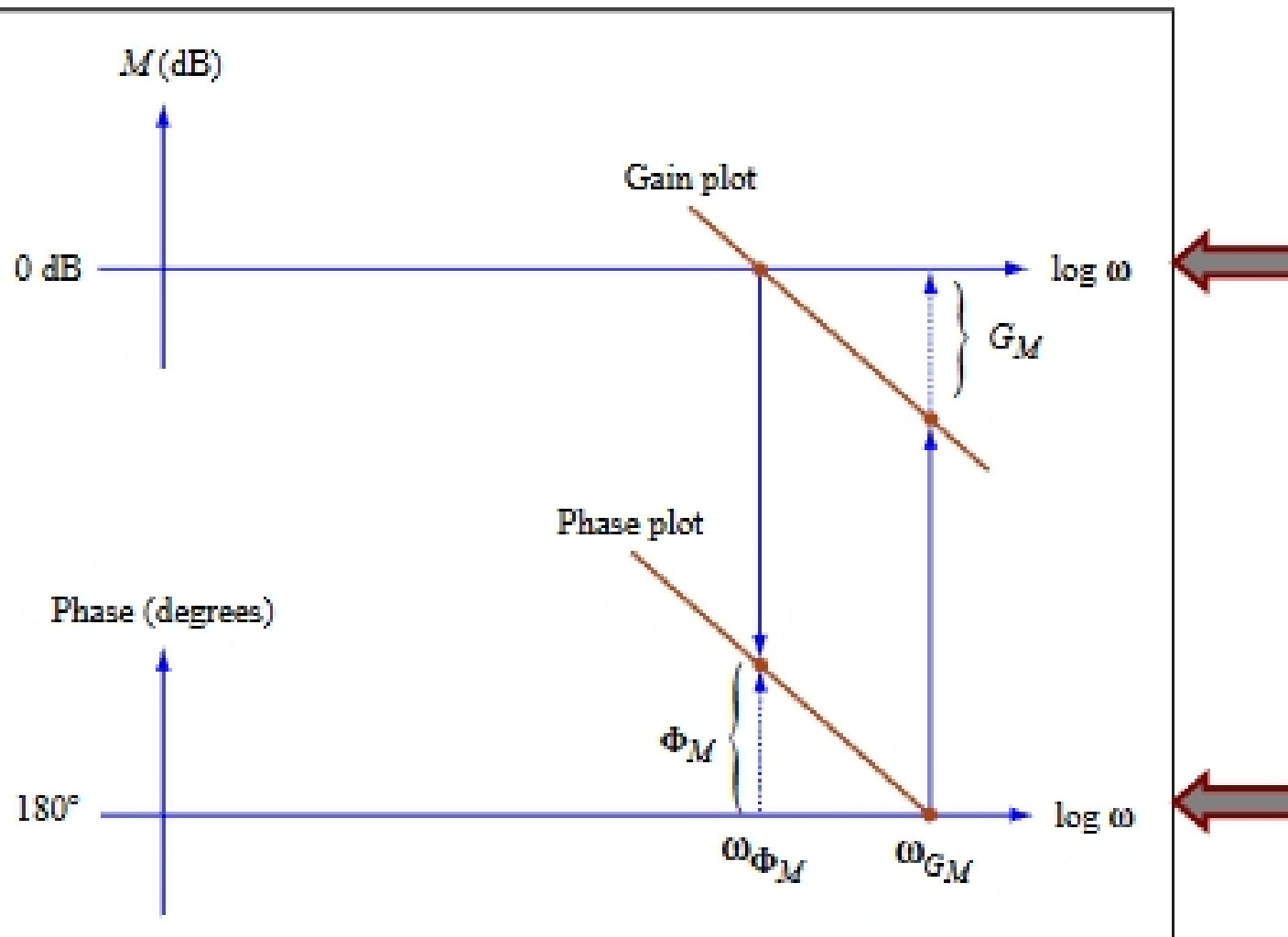


Figure by MIT OpenCourseWare.

Gain margin:  
the difference (in dB) between  $0 \text{ dB}$  and the system gain, computed at the frequency where the phase is  $180^\circ$

Phase margin:  
the difference (in  $^\circ$ ) between the system phase and  $180^\circ$ , computed at the frequency where the gain is 1 (i.e.,  $0 \text{ dB}$ )

A system is stable if the gain and phase margins are both positive

Figure 10.37

# Example 1

Open-Loop Transfer Function

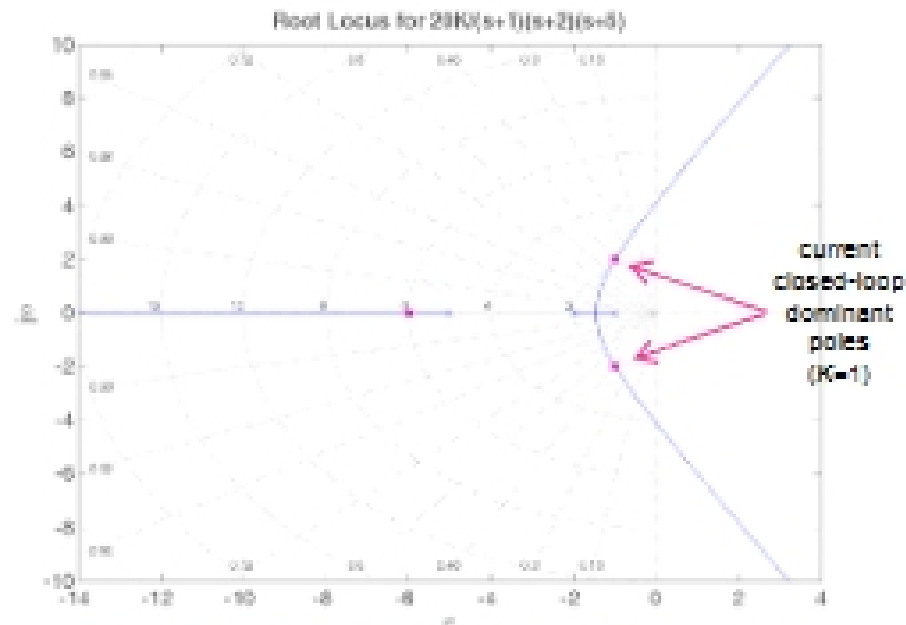
$$KG(s)H(s) = \frac{20K}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+5)}$$

DC gain = 20 =  $20 \log_{10} 20$  (dB)  $\approx 6$  dB

Break (cut-off) frequencies: 1, 2, 5 rad/sec.

Final gain slope: -60 dB/dec.

Total phase change: -270°.



Increasing the closed-loop gain by an amount equal to the G.M. (i.e., setting  $K \rightarrow G.M.$  dB or more) will destabilize the system

