1. A system has fourteen poles and two zeros. Its high frequency asymptote in its magnitude plot having a slope of:

(a) -40 dB/decade

(b) $-240 \, dB/decade$

(c) - 280 dB/decade

(d) - 320 dB/decade

[GATE 1987: 2 Marks]

Soln.

Poles (P) = 14

Zeros (z) = 2

P - Z = 14 - 2 = 12

 $\lim_{\omega\to\infty} slope = (P-Z)(-20dB/dec)$

=-240dB/decade

Ans: Option (b)

2. The polar plot of (s) = $\frac{10}{s(s+1)^2}$ intercepts real axis at $\omega = \omega_0$. Then, the real

part and ω_0 are respectively given by:

(a) - 2.5, 1

(b) - 5, 0.5

(c) - 5, 1

(d) - 5, 2

[GATE 1987: 2 Marks]

Soln.

(s)=
$$\frac{10}{s(s+1)^2} = \frac{10}{s(s+1)(s+1)}$$

$$\angle (j\omega) = -90^{\circ} - 2 \tan^{-1}\omega$$

 ω_{pc} is the phase cross over frequency where

$$\angle(j\omega) = -180^{\circ}$$

$$so_1 - 180^0 = -90^0 - 2tan^{-1}\omega pc$$

$$2tan^{-1}\omega_{pc}=90^{\circ}\Rightarrow\omega_{pc}=tan\ 45^{\circ}$$

$$\omega pc = 1 \ rad/sec$$

$$|G| \omega = \omega pc = \frac{10}{\omega 1 + \omega^2 1 + \omega^2}$$

$$= \frac{10}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2} = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

At $\omega = \omega_{pc}$ the polar plot crosses the negative real axis at -5

Ans: Option (c)

3. From the Nicholas chart one can determine the following quantities pertaining to a closed loop system:

(a) Magnitude and phase

(b) Band width

(c) Only magnitude

(d) only phase

[GATE 1989: 2 Marks]

Soln. Nicholas chart is magnitude versus phase plot

Ans: Option (a)

4. The open-loop transfer function of a feedback control system is

(s).
$$H(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^3}$$
 The gain margin of the system is

(a) 2

(b) 4

(c) 8

(d) 16

[GATE 1991: 2 Marks]

Soln.
$$(s).(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^3}$$

 $GM = \frac{1}{|G(j\omega pc)H(j\omega pc)|} = \frac{1}{M}$

 ω_p is the phase cross over frequency where

$$\angle(s)H(s) = -180^{\circ}$$

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

$$-3tan^{-1}\omega_{pc}=-180^{0}$$

$$tan^{-1}\omega_{pc}=60^0 \Rightarrow \omega_{pc}=ta(60^0)$$

$$\omega_{pc} = 3 \ rad/sec$$

$$M=|(j\omega_{pc}) H(j\omega_{pc})| = \frac{1}{(\overline{1+\omega_{pc}})^3} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$GM = \frac{1}{M} = 8$$

Ans: Option (c)

5. Non-minimum phase transfer function is defined as the transfer function

- (a) which has zero in the right-half s-plane
- (b) which has zero only in the left-half s-plane
- (c) which has poles in the right-half s-plane
- (d) which has poles in the left-half s-plane

[GATE 1995: 1 Mark]

Soln. Non minimum phase transfer function is defined as the transfer function which has one or more zeros in the right half of s – plane and remaining poles and zeros in the left half of s – plane.

Ans: Option (a)

6. The Nyquist plot of a loop transfer function $(j\omega)$ $(j\omega)$ of a system encloses the (-1,j0) point. The gain margin of the system is

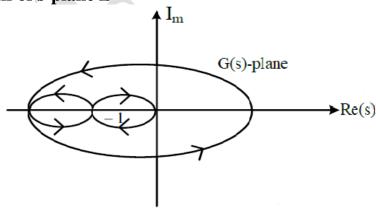
- (a) less than zero
- (b) zero
- (c) greater than zero
- (d) infinity

[GATE 1998: 1 Mark]

Soln. A system is unstable when Nyquist plot of $(j\omega)$ $(j\omega)$ enclosed the point $(-1, j \ 0)$. Gain margin of unstable system is less than zero

Ans: Option (a)

7. The Nyquist plot for the open-loop transfer function G(s) of a unity negative feedback system is shown in the figure, if G(s) has no pole in the right-half of s-plane, the number of roots of the system characteristic equation in the right-half of s-plane is



- (a) 0
- (b) 1

(c) 2

(d) 3

[GATE 2001: 1 Mark]

Soln.

N = P - Z

One encirclement in clockwise direction and one in anticlockwise direction house N=0

Given that number of poles of (s)(s) in the right half s - plane, p = 0

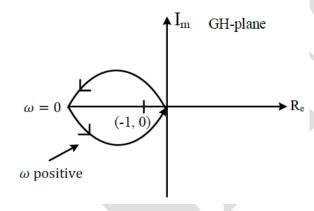
$$N = P - Z$$

Or
$$Z = P - N = 0$$

So No roots of the characteristic equation or poles of the closed loop system lie in RH of s – plane

Ans: Option (a)

8. In the figure, the Nyquist pole of the open-loop transfer function (s)(s) of a system is shown. If (s)H(s) has one right-hand pole, the closed-loop system is



- (a) always stable
- (b) unstable with one closed-loop right hand pole
- (c) unstable with two closed-loop right hand poles
- (d) unstable with three closed-loop right hand poles

[GATE 2003: 1 Mark]

Soln.

$$N = P - Z$$

The encirclement of critical point (-1, j, 0) is in the anticlockwise direction hence N = 1, P = 1 (given)

$$Z = P - N = 0$$

Hence no poles of closed loop system lie in the RH of s – plane therefore system is always stable.

Ans: Option (a)

9. A system has poles at 0.01 Hz, 1 Hz and 80 Hz; zero at 5 Hz, 100 Hz and 200 Hz. The approximate phase of the system response at 20 Hz is

$$(a) - 90^{\circ}$$

(b)
$$0^0$$

(c)
$$90^{\circ}$$

$$(d) - 180^{\circ}$$

[GATE 2004: 2 Marks]

Soln.

Phase shift are

Due to Pole at 0.01 Hz = -900

Due to Pole at 1 Hz = -900

Due to Pole at 80 Hz = 0

Not to be considered as the system response at 20 Hz is to be considered

Zero at 5 Hz = 900

Zero at 100 Hz = not be considered

Zero at 200 Hz = not be considered

Thus approximate total phase shift = -90 - 90 + 90 = -900

Ans: Option (a)

10. The Nyquist plot of $(j\omega)(j\omega)$ for a closed loop control system, passed through (-1, j 0) point in GH plane. The gain margin of the system in dB is equal to

(a) infinite

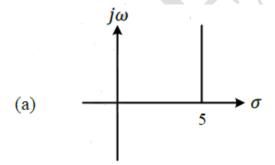
- (b) greater than zero
- (c) less than zero
- (d) zero

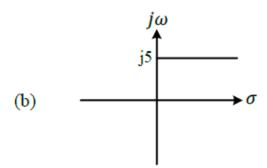
[GATE 2006: 2 Marks]

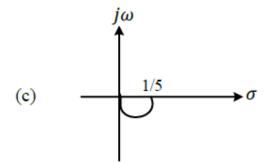
Soln. The gain margin of system is negative i.e. less than zero

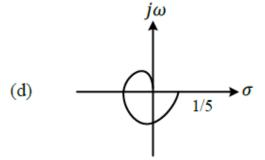
Ans: Option (c)

11. For the transfer function $(j\omega) = 5 + j\omega$, the corresponding Nyquist plot for positive frequency has the form









Soln. The transfer function $(j\omega) = 5 + j\omega$

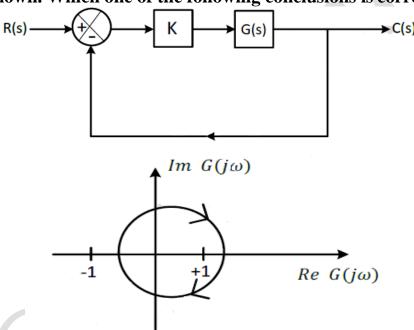
$$|(j\omega)| = 25 + \omega^2$$

At
$$\omega = 0$$
, $|(0)| = 5$

At
$$\omega = \infty$$
, $|(\infty)| = \infty$

Ans: Option (a)

12. Consider the feedback system shown in the figure. The Nyquist plot of G(s) is also shown. Which one of the following conclusions is correct?



- (a) G(s) is an all-pass filter
- (b) G(s) is strictly proper transfer function
- (c) G(s) is a stable and minimum-phase transfer function
- (d) The closed-loop system is unstable for sufficiently large and positive K.

Soln. Nyquist plot is not enclosed critical point (-1, j 0), hence the system is stable. If the value of gain K is increased, then intersection point moves towards $-\infty$ on the negative real axis which makes system unstable.

Ans: Option (d)