





Nyquist Formula: $p_{ch} = p_{ap} - N$

where:

p_{ap} : number of poles with positive real part of the **open loop** transfer function $W(s)$

p_{ch} : number of poles with positive real part of the **closed loop** transfer function $W(s)/(1+W(s))$

N counts the number of encirclement of the point $-1+j0$ made by the graph of $W(j\omega)$

N positive for counterclockwise encirclements

In the problem, $p_{ap} = 0$.

For $K > 0$ we have $N = -1$, and therefore $p_{ch} = 1$ (instability of the closed loop system)

For $K < 0$ we have $N = -2$, and therefore $p_{ch} = 2$ (instability of the closed loop system)

Thus, the closed loop system is unstable for any feedback gain K .