Frequency Domain Design Method: Disadvantages

Design based on Bode plots is not good for:

- exact closed-loop pole placement (root locus is more suitable for that)
- deciding if a given K is stabilizing or not ...
 - ▶ we can only measure how far we are from instability (using GM or PM), if we know that we are stable
 - however, we don't have a way of checking whether a given K is stabilizing from frequency response data

What we want is a frequency-domain substitute for the Routh–Hurwitz criterion — this is the Nyquist criterion, which we will discuss in the next lecture.