

Lecture - 4

Transient Response - TF and S.S.

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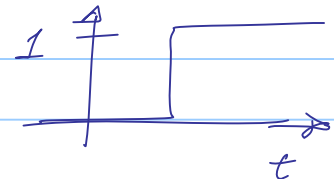
Given a T.F. $G(s)$ and input $R(s)$ we can calculate the output ($t > 0$)

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ G(s) R(s) \} \quad (\text{we can use MATLAB also})$$

\Rightarrow we already know how to compute the "Transient Response".

Q) How can we predict the transient response of any t.f. without computing the solⁿ?

Additional Information: Transient Response obviously depends on input, so we choose the test input

"STEP FUNCTION" $u(t)$ 

Example: $\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{s+2}{s+5}$ with $R(s) = \frac{1}{s}$

$$C(s) = \frac{s+2}{s(s+5)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+5} = \frac{2/5}{s} + \frac{3/5}{s+5}$$

$$A = \frac{s+2}{s+5} \Big|_{s=0} = \frac{2}{5}; \quad B = \frac{s+2}{s} \Big|_{s=-5} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$c(t) = \frac{2}{5} u(t) + \frac{3}{5} e^{-5t} u(t)$$

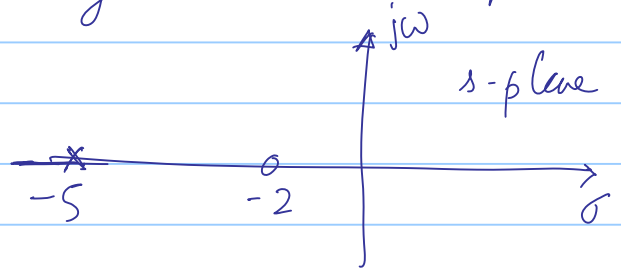
forced response natural response

Observations

1) The root of the input denominator decides

the form of the forced response.

- 2) The root of the t.f. denominator (-5) generates the form of the natural response \rightarrow that form is $e^{-\alpha t}$ where $-\alpha$ is the root
 \rightarrow If the root is more -ve, the exp. decays faster.
- 3) The roots of both num & den generate the amplitude of both responses



* So the roots of both num. & den. seem important in predicting transient response:
We give them names:

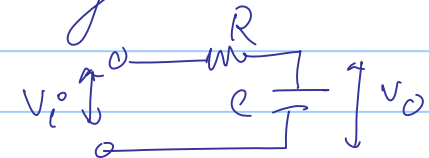
Pole: The poles of a transfer function are the roots of its denominator.

Zeros: The zeros of a t.f. are the roots of its numerator.

Performance Specifications for first order systems

Recall that one of the primary objectives of designing a control system is to make the output follow the input as closely as possible.

Q) Does this happen for first order systems?

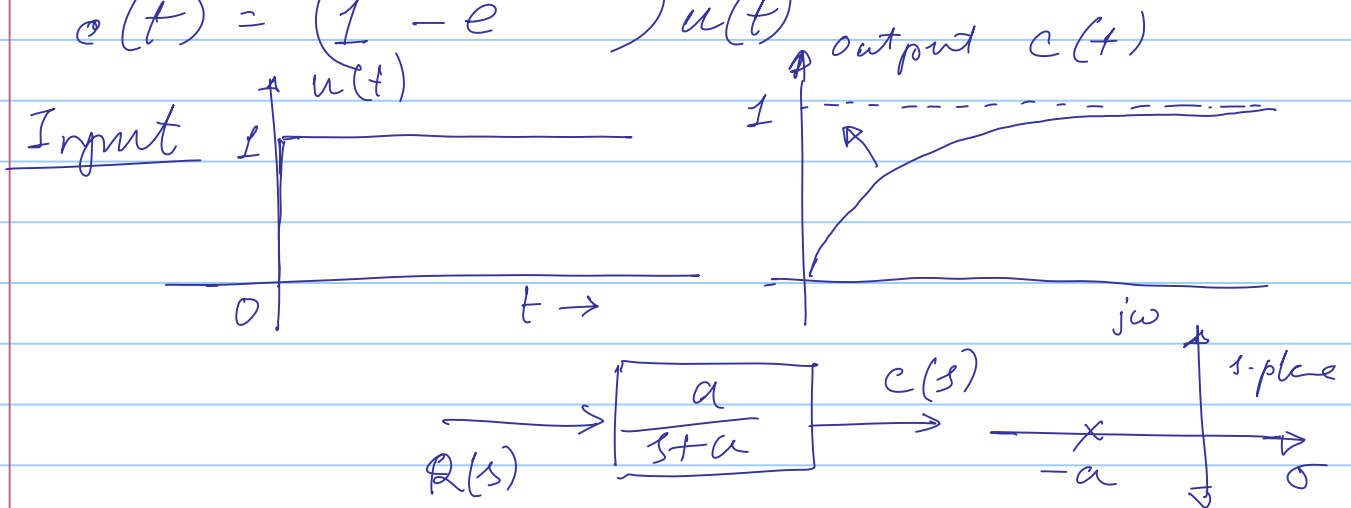
Consider an RC circuit: 

$$\frac{V_o(s)}{V_i(s)} = \frac{1/RC}{s + 1/RC} \leftarrow \text{first order system}$$

→ Can we make $V_o(t)$ follow $v_i(t) = u(t)$?

Let $G(s) = \frac{a}{s+a} \rightarrow$ then $C(s) = \frac{a}{s(s+a)}$

$$c(t) = (1 - e^{-at})u(t)$$



We would like to specify how close to $u(t)$ we want $c(t)$!

1) Time Constant: Clearly the steeper the initial slope the closer $c(t)$ is to $u(t)$.

$$\text{Initial slope} = a \cdot \left[\frac{d}{dt}[c(t)] \right]_{t=0} = a$$

Define: Time Constant = $\frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{\text{initial slope}}$

$$c(t = \frac{1}{a}) = 1 - e^{-1} = 0.63$$

Hence Time Constant is the time it takes for

the step response to rise to 63% of its final value (= 1).

Note: The time constant is known just by looking at the t.f. $G(s)$.

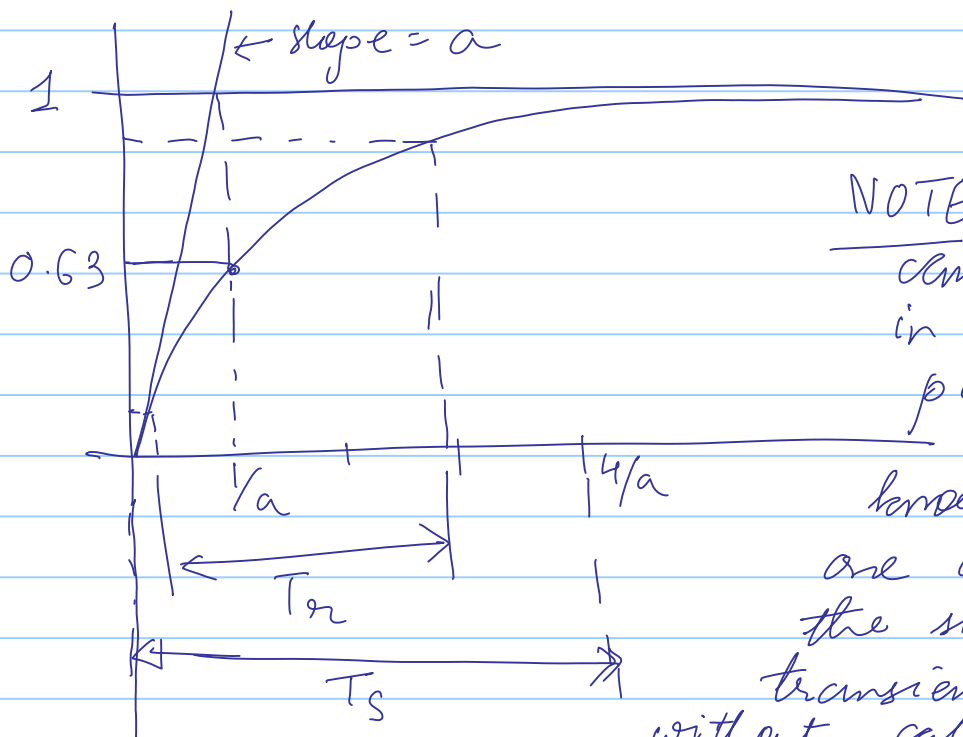
2) Alternatively one can use Rise Time: T_r

Rise time is defined as the time for the waveform to go from 0.1 to 0.9 of its final value

$$\left. \begin{aligned} c(t_1) &= 1 - e^{-at_1} = 0.1 \\ c(t_2) &= 1 - e^{-at_2} = 0.9 \end{aligned} \right\} T_r = \frac{2.2}{a}$$

3) Settling Time: T_s : The time for the response to reach, and stay within, 2% of its final value. (2% settling time)

$$1 - e^{-aT_s} = 0.98 \Rightarrow T_s = \frac{4}{a}$$



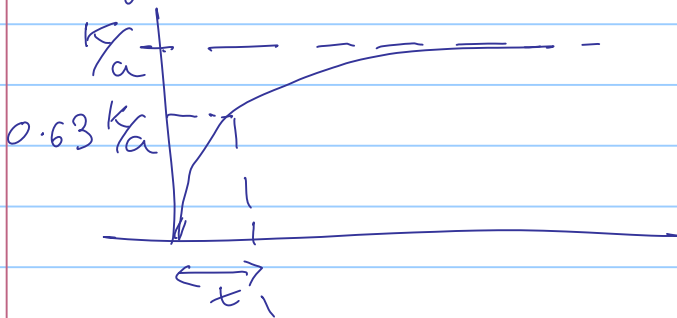
NOTE: All specs can be expressed in terms of the pole. Conversely, knowing the pole one can predict the shape of transient response without calculation.

First order system Identification

- Q) Assume only the In and Output of a 1st order system are accessible. Calculate the t.f.

Assume $G(s) = \frac{K}{s+a}$

Apply a ^{unit} step input: $u(t) \leftarrow$ Observe the o/p



$$c(s) = \frac{K}{s(s+a)}$$
$$= \frac{K/a}{s} - \frac{K/a}{s+a}$$

$$c(t) = \frac{K}{a} [1 - e^{-at}] \quad c(\infty) = \frac{K}{a}$$

So final value = $\frac{K}{a}$. while $t_1 = \frac{1}{a}$

Hence we can solve for K and a .

Second Order Systems:

- Q) Can we predict the transient (step) response just by looking at the pole/zero map?

Let $G(s) = \frac{b}{s^2 + as + b}$ [Additional scalar gains are neglected]

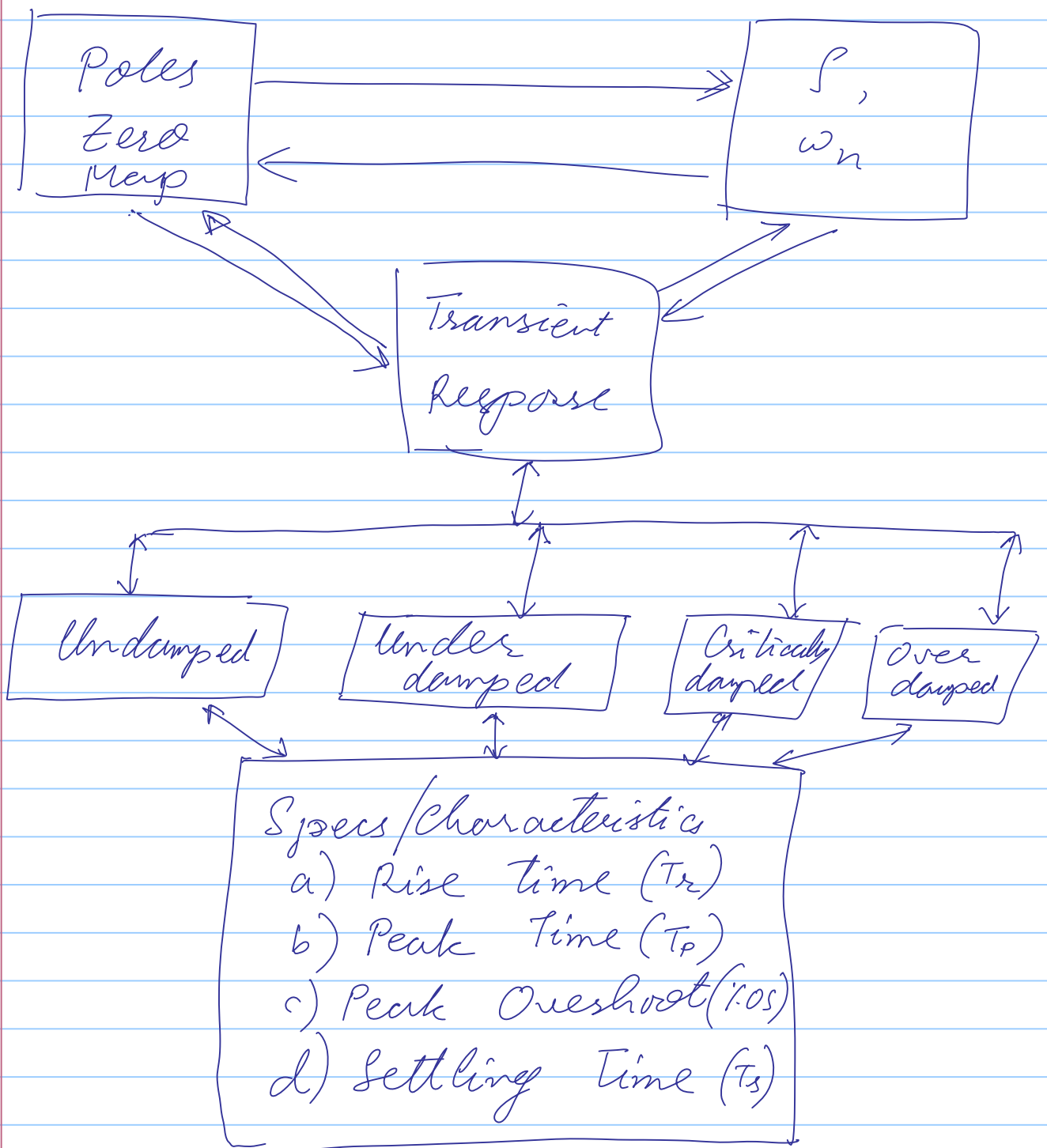
$$\text{Poles} = \frac{-a \pm \sqrt{a^2 - 4b}}{2} = \left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{b}}\right) \sqrt{b} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{b}}\right)^2 - 1}$$

$$= \left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{b}} \right) \sqrt{b} \pm \sqrt{b} \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{b}} \right)^2 - 1}$$

We name it: $\zeta = \frac{a}{2\sqrt{b}} =: \text{damping ratio}$

and $\omega_n = \sqrt{b} =: \text{natural freq}$

We want the following interconnection



Hence $G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$

We can have 3 cases:

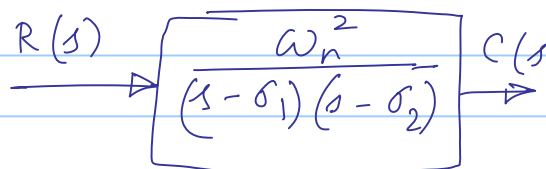
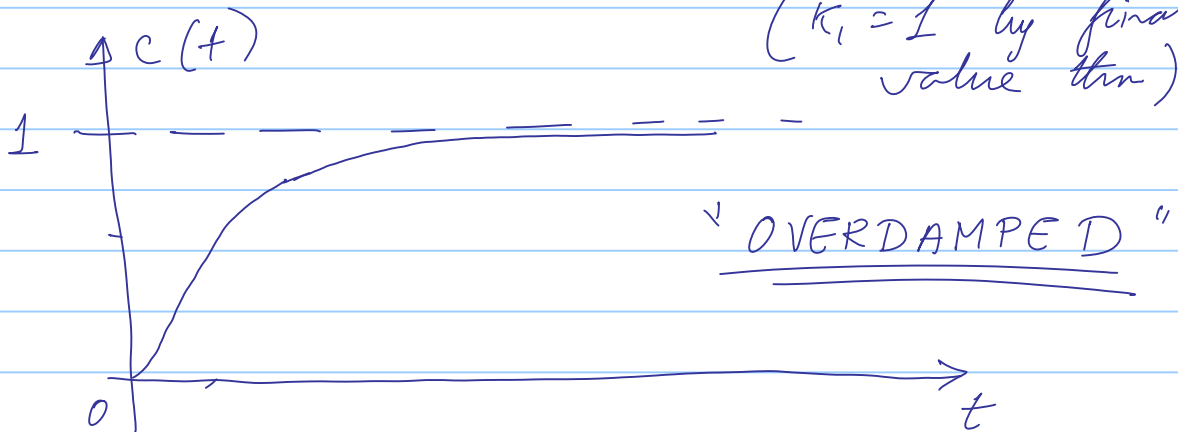
Case I: Real Poles: $\begin{cases} \frac{a}{2\sqrt{b}} > 1 \\ \text{or} \\ \rho > 1 \end{cases}$

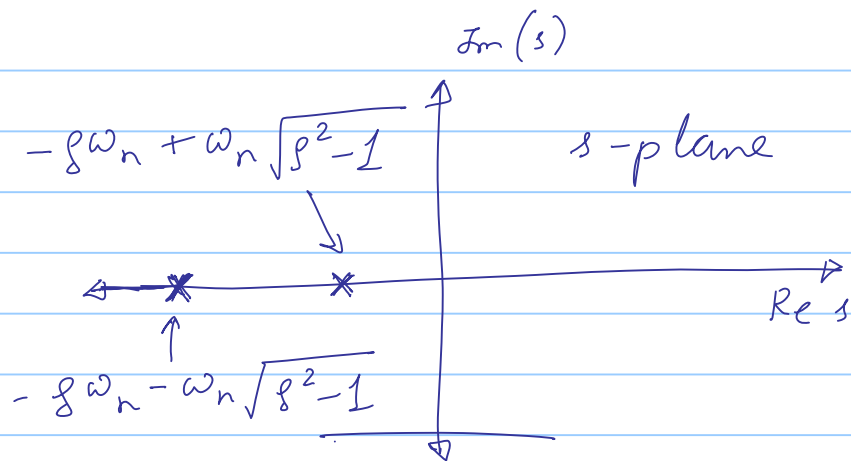
Case Ia: Distinct Real Poles

Let $\sigma_1 = -\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\rho^2 - 1}$ $\rho > 1$
 $\sigma_2 = -\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\rho^2 - 1}$

$R(s) = \frac{1}{s} \Rightarrow C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s(s - \sigma_1)(s - \sigma_2)}$
 $= \frac{k_1}{s} + \frac{k_2}{s - \sigma_1} + \frac{k_3}{s - \sigma_2}$

$c(t) = [1 + k_2 e^{-\sigma_1 t} + k_3 e^{-\sigma_2 t}] u(t)$
 ($k_1 = 1$ by final value thm)





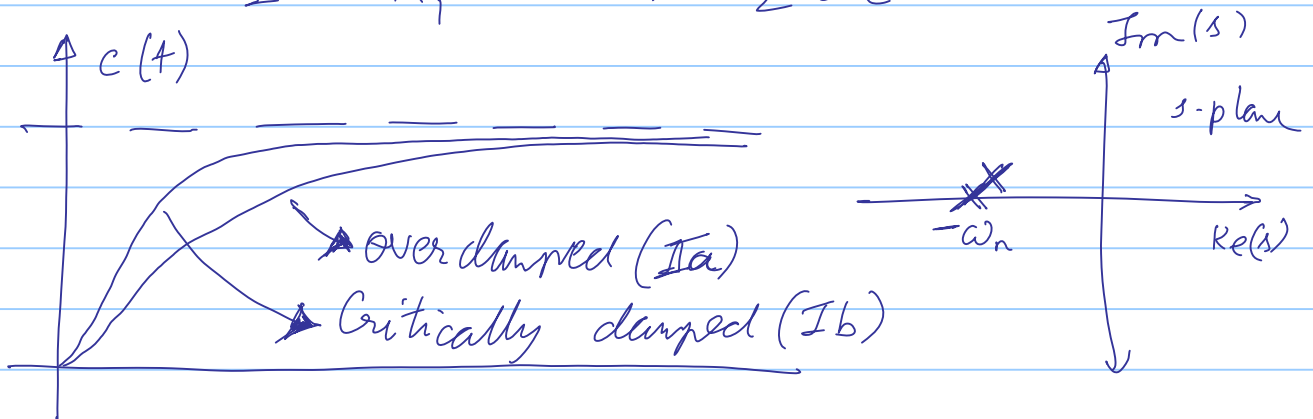
Case Ib: Real Repeated Poles:

$$\frac{a}{2\sqrt{b}} = 1 \quad \text{as} \quad \zeta = 1$$

$$G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{(s + \sigma)^2} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{(s + \omega_n)^2} \quad \sigma = -\omega_n$$

$$C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s(s + \omega_n)^2} = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{k_1}{s + \omega_n} + \frac{k_2}{(s + \omega_n)^2}$$

$$= 1 + k_1 e^{-\omega_n t} + k_2 t e^{-\omega_n t}$$



"CRITICALLY DAMPED"

Case II: Complex Poles:

$$0 < \frac{a}{2\sqrt{b}} < 1 \quad \text{as} \quad 0 < \zeta < 1$$

$$G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \quad R(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

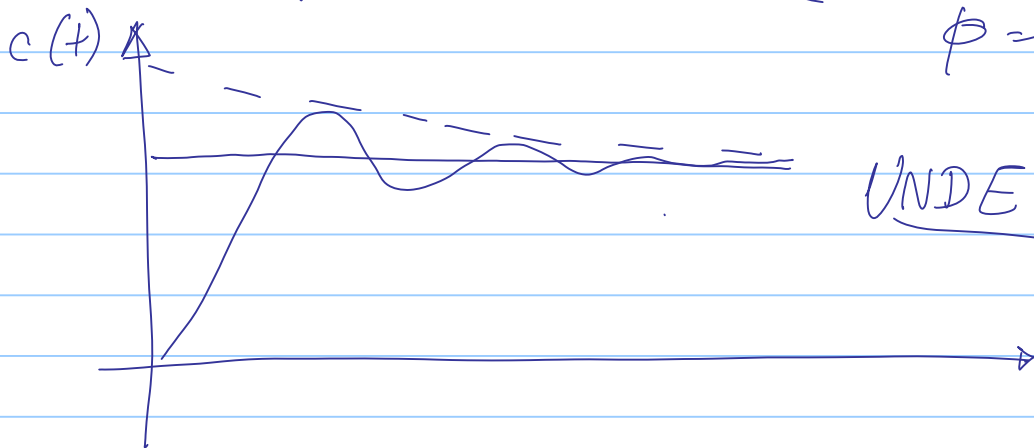
$$C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s(s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2)} = \frac{k_1}{s} + \frac{k_2 s + k_3}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{s} - \frac{(s + \zeta\omega_n) + \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{(s + \zeta\omega_n)^2 + \omega_n^2 (1-\zeta^2)}$$

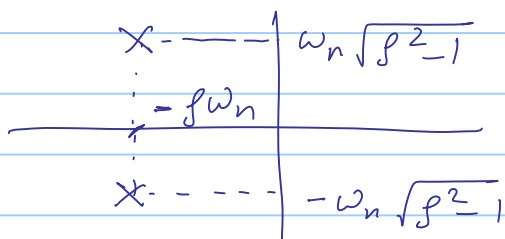
$$c(t) = 1 - e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \left[\cos\left\{(\omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\} + \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin\left\{(\omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\} \right]$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \cos\left\{(\omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t - \phi\right\}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}\right)$$



Simulink Simulation



← Pole - zero plot

Case III : Purely Imaginary Poles

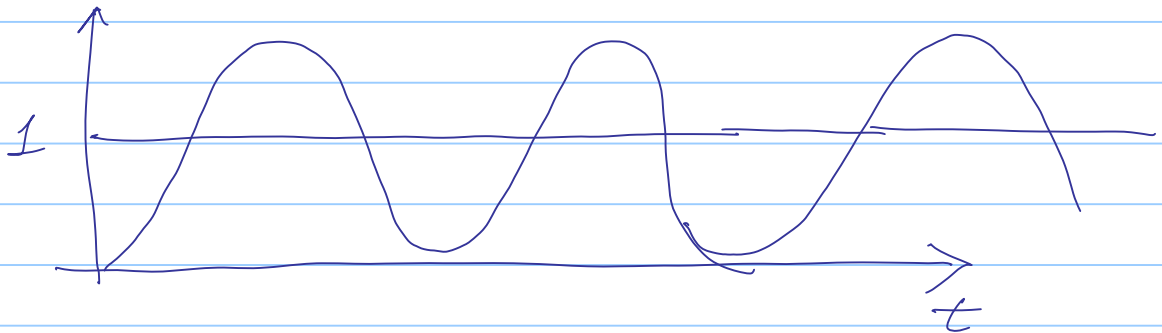
$$a = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \zeta = 0$$

Poles are : $s_{1,2} = \pm j\omega_n$

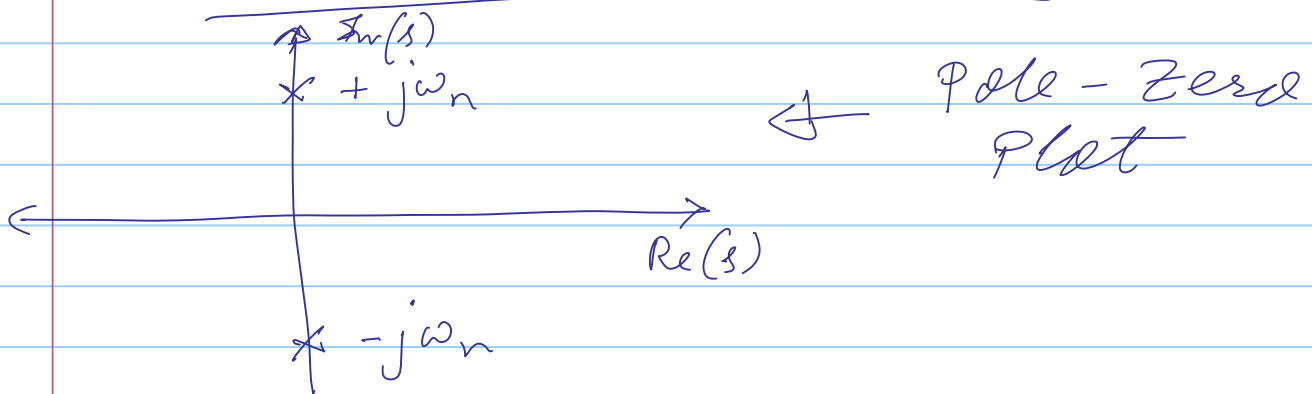
$$G_c(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + \omega_n^2} \quad R(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

$$C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{(s^2 + \omega_n^2)s} = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega_n^2}$$

$$c(t) = [1 - \cos(\omega_n t)] u(t)$$



UNDAMPED RESPONSE

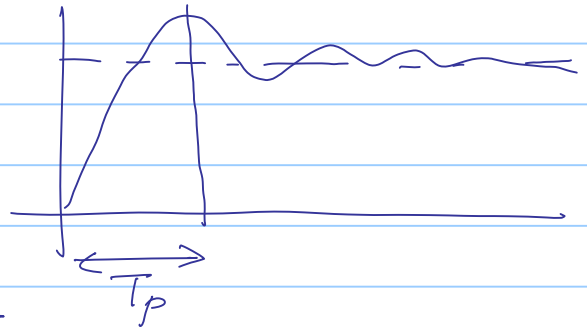


Transient Specifications in terms of ζ and ω_n :

Underdamped Case :

Rise Time : T_r : the time required to reach first /

maximum peak.



$$c(t) = 1 - e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \left[\cos\left\{(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\} + \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin\left\{(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\} \right]$$

$$\frac{dc(t)}{dt} = -e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \left[(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}) \sin\left\{(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\} + \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2} \cos\left\{(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\} \right]$$

$$- (-\zeta\omega_n) e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \left[\cos\left\{(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\} + \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin\left\{(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\} \right]$$

$$= \omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2} e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \sin\left\{(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\}$$

$$+ \frac{\zeta^2\omega_n}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \sin\left\{(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\}$$

$$= \frac{\omega_n}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \sin\left\{(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t\right\}$$

Putting $\frac{dc(t)}{dt} = 0$;

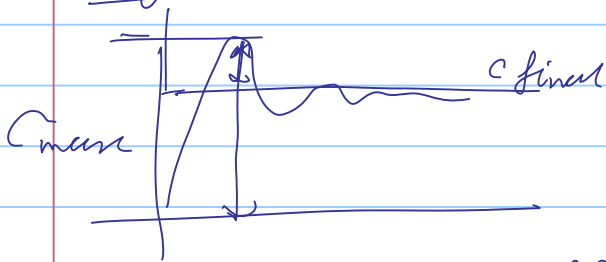
$$(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})t = n\pi$$

$t = \frac{n\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2}}$. We are interested in the first maxima

Hence
$$T_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2}} \quad (n=1)$$

% OS in terms of p, ω_n

Defⁿ :
$$\% OS = \frac{C_{max} - C_{final}}{C_{final}} \times 100$$



$C_{max} = c(T_p)$

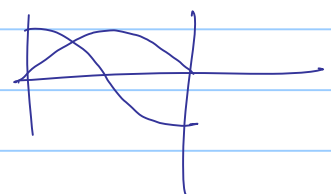
$$c(t) = 1 - e^{-p\omega_n t} \left[\cos\left\{(\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2})t\right\} + \frac{p}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} \sin\left\{(\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2})t\right\} \right]$$

$$c(T_p) = c\left(\frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2}}\right) = 1 - e^{-\frac{p\omega_n \pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2}}} \times$$

$$\left[\cos\left\{\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2} \times \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2}}\right\} + \frac{p}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} \sin\left\{\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2} \times \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1-p^2}}\right\} \right]$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\frac{p\pi}{\sqrt{1-p^2}}} \left[\cos \pi + \frac{p}{\sqrt{1-p^2}} \sin \pi \right]$$

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For unit step: $c_{final} = 1$

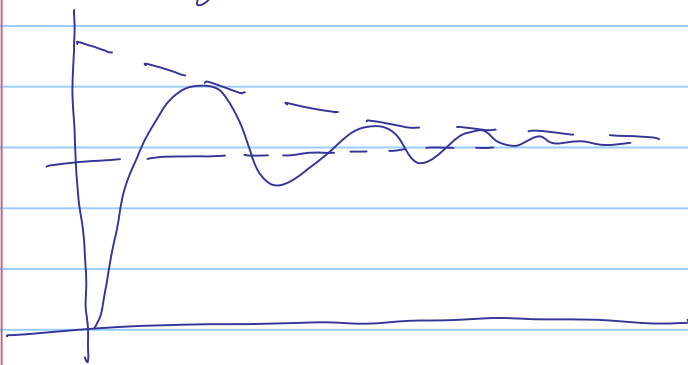
$$\%OS = e^{-\frac{\zeta\pi}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}} \times 100$$

Conversely:

$$\zeta = \frac{-\ln(\%OS/100)}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + \ln^2(\%OS/100)}}$$

Evaluation of T_s

Def $\ddot{=}$: Time in which $c(t)$ reaches and stays within 2% of the steady state value, c_{final} .



= Time taken for the decaying sinusoid to reach 0.02

$$c(t) = 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \cos(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2} t - \phi)$$

We want $1.02 \leq c(t) \leq 0.98$

$$\text{or } -0.02 \leq \frac{e^{-\zeta\omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \cos(*) \leq 0.02$$

$$\text{Now, } -\frac{e^{-\zeta\omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \leq \frac{e^{-\zeta\omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \cos(*) \leq +\frac{e^{-\zeta\omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$$

So let us find a time (say t_1) for which

$$\frac{e^{-\zeta\omega_n t_1}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \leq 0.02$$

$$t_1 = \frac{-\ln(0.02\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})}{\zeta\omega_n}$$

Clearly $T_S \leq t_1$, but we will use t_1 as a conservative estimate of T_S

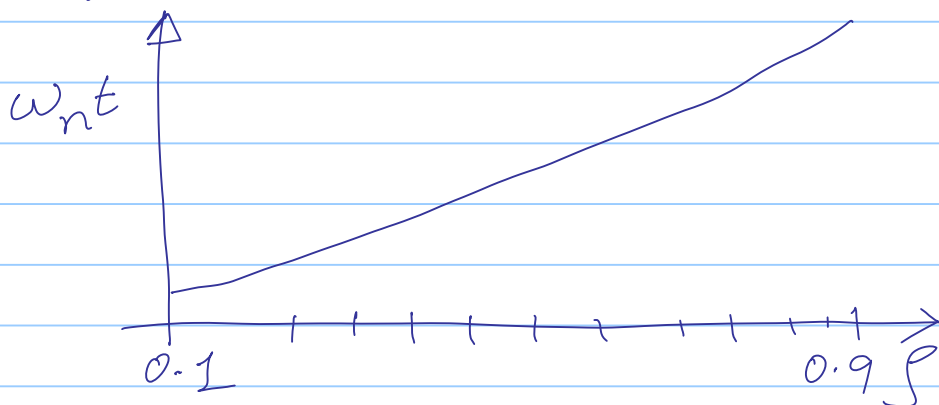
$$T_S = \frac{-\ln(0.02\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})}{\zeta\omega_n}$$

$$T_S \approx \frac{4}{\zeta\omega_n}$$

3.91
to
4.74
as $\zeta \sim 0$ to 0.9

Rise Time : T_r analytical expression cannot be found.

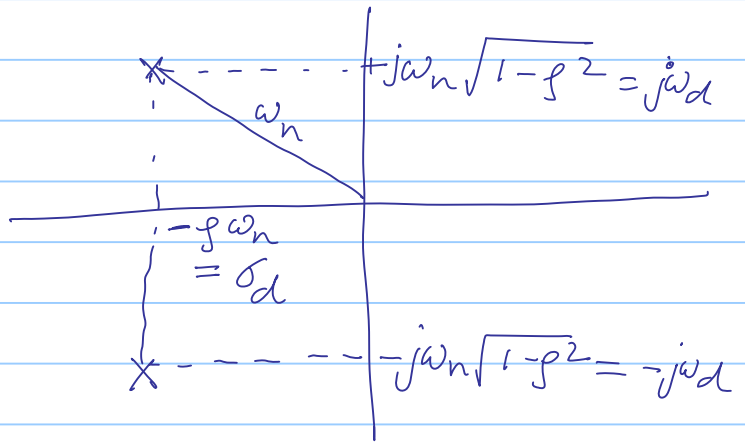
It is read out from the following graph:



T_p , T_s and %OS in terms of pole location:

$$T_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$$

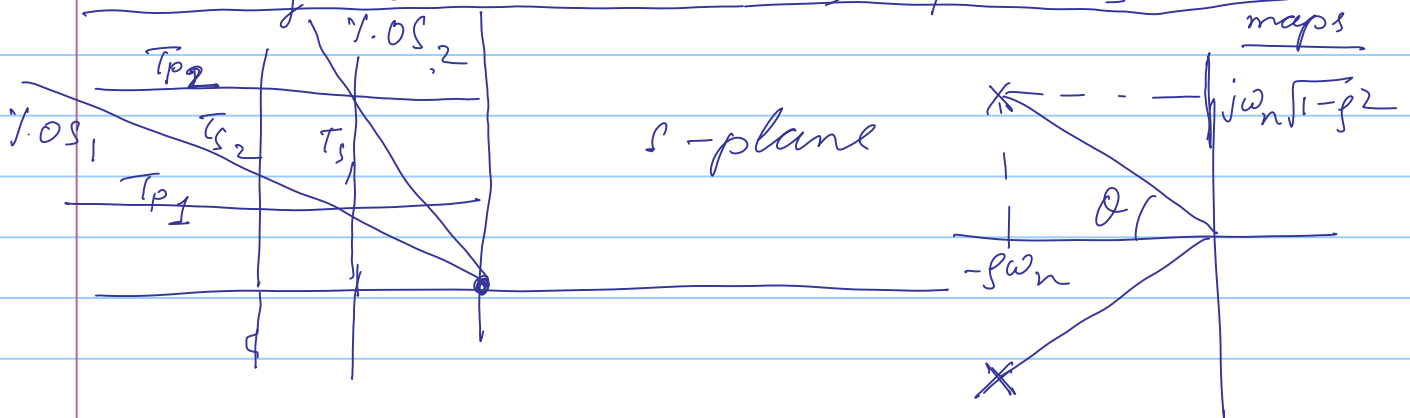
$$= \frac{\pi}{\omega_d}$$



$$T_s = \frac{4}{\zeta\omega_n} = \frac{4}{\sigma_d}$$

$$\%OS = e^{-\frac{\zeta\pi}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}} \times 100 \leftarrow \text{function of only } \zeta$$

Lines of constant %OS, T_p & T_s in P-Z maps



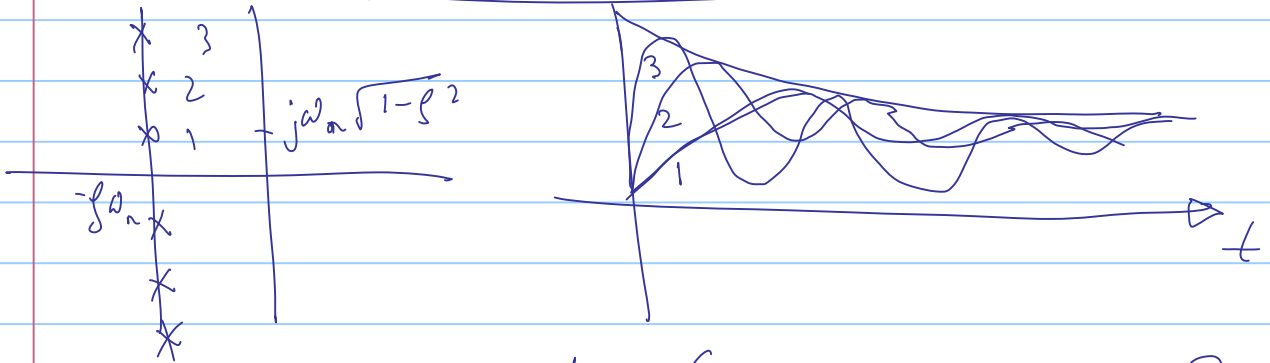
* For poles with constant θ , ζ remains the same
 $\tan \theta = \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\zeta} \right)$

But %OS is a function of ζ only.
 So %OS remains same on any line passing through the origin

* $T_{s2} < T_{s1}$: Settling time decreases as the poles move further left.

* $T_{p2} < T_{p1}$: Peak time decreases as the magnitude of imaginary part increases (Peak occurs earlier)

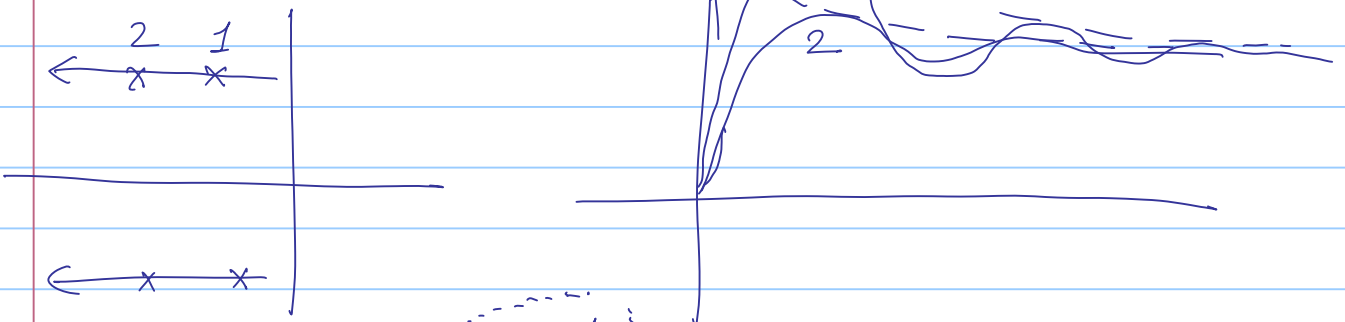
Pictures from book + Simulation



$$c(t) = 1 - \underbrace{e^{-\zeta\omega_n t}}_{\text{same}} \cos\left\{ \underbrace{\left(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}\right)t - \phi}_{\text{increases}} \right\}$$

\Rightarrow freq increases

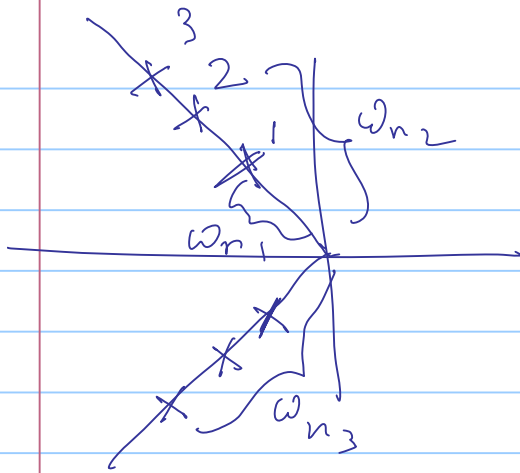
\Rightarrow exp. env. remains same



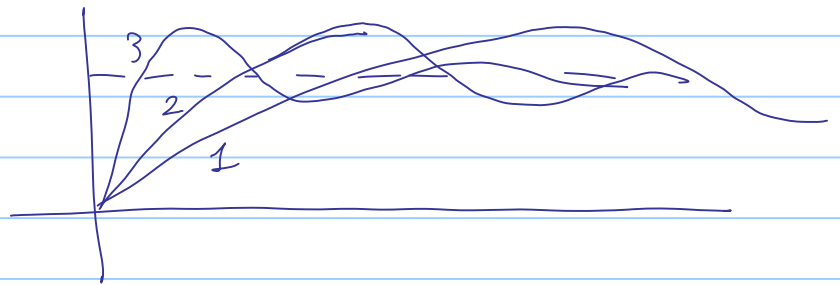
$$c(t) = 1 - \underbrace{\frac{e^{-\zeta\omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}}_{\text{more -ve}} \cos\left\{ \underbrace{\left(\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}\right)t - \phi}_{\text{same}} \right\}$$

\Rightarrow same \Rightarrow same freq.

\Rightarrow the exp. envelope decays faster



%OS remains same
 ζ remains same

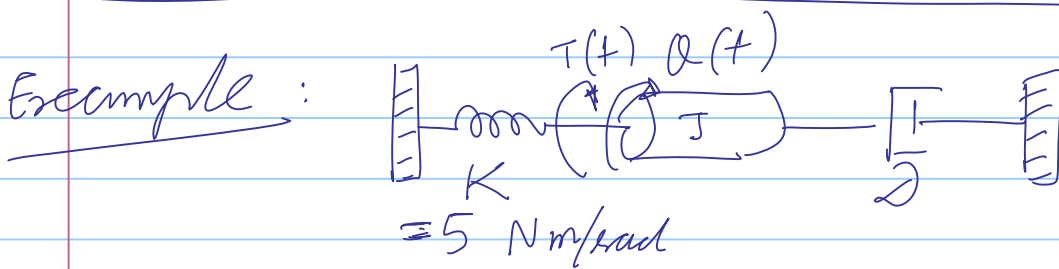


$\omega_{n3} > \omega_{n2} > \omega_{n1}$ → remains same

$$c(t) = 1 - \frac{e^{-\zeta \omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \cos\left\{ \underbrace{\omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}_{\text{increases}} t - \phi \right\}$$

\downarrow some increase

- * Responses are of identical shape except for speed.
- * Speed is more as poles move left.



Find J & D to yield 20% overshoot and a settling time of 2 sec. for a step input of torque $T(t)$.

$$J \frac{d^2 Q}{dt^2} + D \frac{dQ}{dt} + K Q(t) = T(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow J s^2 Q(s) + D s Q(s) + K Q(s) = T(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Q(s)}{T(s)} = \frac{1}{J s^2 + D s + K}$$

$$= \frac{1/J}{s^2 + \frac{D}{J}s + \frac{K}{J}}$$

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{K}{J}} \quad 2\zeta\omega_n = \frac{D}{J}$$

Specs : $T_s = 2$ %OS = 20

$$\frac{4}{\zeta\omega_n} = 2 \quad \zeta = \frac{-\ln(1.05/100)}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + \ln^2\left(\frac{1.05}{100}\right)}}$$

↳ (1)

Using %OS = 20 in (2) ↳ (2)

$$\Rightarrow \zeta = 0.456$$

From (1), $2\zeta\omega_n = \frac{D}{J} = 4$

and $\zeta = \frac{2}{\omega_n} = 2\sqrt{\frac{J}{K}} = 0.456$

$$\frac{J}{K} = 0.052, \quad (\text{Given } K = 5)$$

$$J = 0.26 \text{ km} \cdot \text{m}^2, \quad D = 1.04 \text{ N} \cdot \text{ms/rad}$$

System Response with Additional Poles

* All of calculations above is valid only for 2nd order systems

* Higher order system can sometimes be approximated by dominant poles

Consider a 3rd order system (extra ^{real} pole at $-\alpha_{p_2}$)

$$G(s) = \frac{\zeta_r \omega_n^2}{(s + \alpha_r)(s^2 + 2\zeta_r \omega_n s + \omega_n^2)}$$

Poles: $-\zeta_r \omega_n \pm j\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta_r^2}$, $-\alpha_r$

$$C(s) = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B(s + \zeta_r \omega_n) + C\omega_d}{(s + \zeta_r \omega_n)^2 + \omega_d^2} + \frac{D}{s + \alpha_r}$$

$$c(t) = Au(t) + e^{-\zeta_r \omega_n t} (B \cos \omega_d t + C \sin \omega_d t) + De^{-\alpha_r t}$$

If $-\alpha_r \ll -\zeta_r \omega_n$ then it has no effect on T_p , $\%OS$, T_s etc

Thus we can approx the response using a 2nd order approx.

Thumb rule: If $\zeta_r > 5 \zeta_r \omega_n$ then dominant pole approx. is valid.

What about residue?

$$C(s) = \frac{bc}{s(s^2 + as + b)(s + c)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs + C}{s^2 + as + b} + \frac{D}{s + c}$$

$$A = 1 \quad B = \frac{ca - c^2}{c^2 + b - ca}$$

$$C = \frac{ca^2 - ca^2 - bc}{c^2 + b - ca} \quad D = \frac{-b}{c^2 + b - ca}$$

$$\text{As } c \rightarrow \infty, \quad A=1, \quad B=-1, \quad C=-a \\ D=0$$

System Response with Zeros

Zeros affect the residue/amplitude.

Assumption: We add real axis zero to a two pole system

Case I: Add zero in LHP

Case II: Add zero in RHP

Case III: Pole zero cancellation

Case I: Zero in LHP (Arguments valid only for REAL Zeros)

- * If zero is close to the Dominant pole, response changes
- * If zero is far from Dominant Poles, response is unchanged.

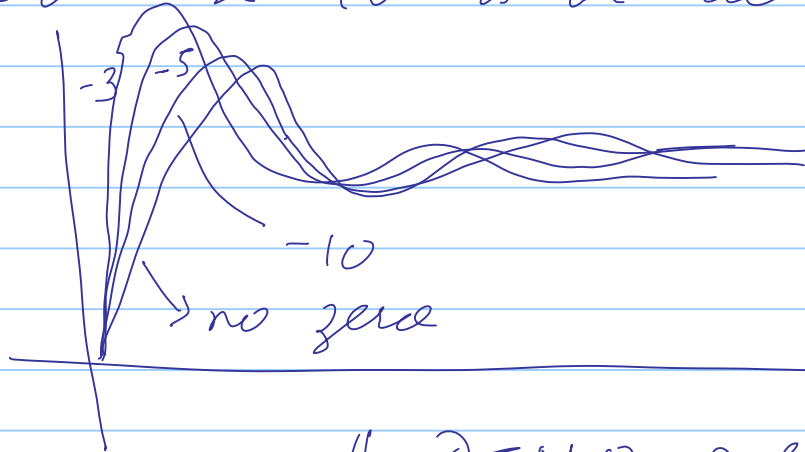
$$T(s) = \frac{(s+a)}{(s+b)(s+c)} = \frac{A}{s+b} + \frac{B}{s+c}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{(a-b)}{c-b}}{s+b} + \frac{\frac{(a-c)}{b-c}}{s+c}$$

$$\approx a \left[\frac{1}{c-b} \frac{1}{(s+b)} + \frac{1}{b-c} \frac{1}{(s+c)} \right] \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{since} \\ a > b \\ > c \end{array} \right)$$

$$\approx \frac{a}{(s+b)(s+c)}$$

Otherwise it is the derivative



(Poles $-1 \pm j2.8$)

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Case II: Real zero on RHP.

Let $C(s)$ be the response without zero.

$$(s-a)C(s) = \underbrace{sC(s)}_{\text{Derivative of response}} - \underbrace{aC(s)}_{\text{Scaled response}}$$

Derivative of response

Scaled response

Derivative (+ve) is opposite sign of the scaled response

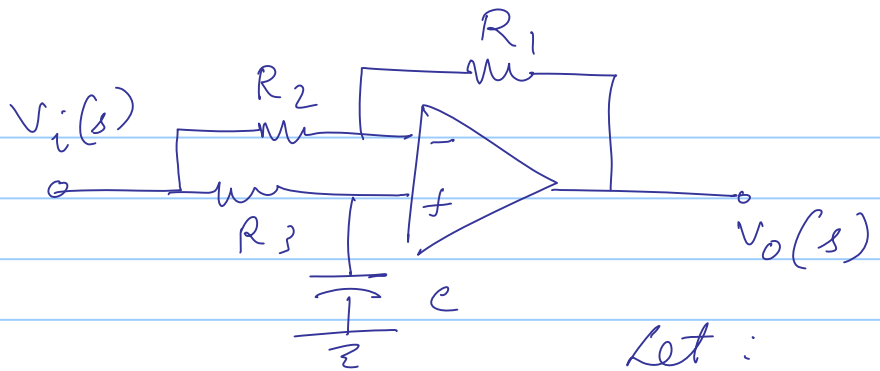


Final value theorem

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{(s-a)G(s)}{s} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} \cdot \underbrace{C(s)}_{-aG(0)} = -a$$

But initial derivative of $c(t)$ is +ve
Non-minimum phase systems

Example :



$$\frac{V_o(s)}{V_i(s)} = \frac{R_2 - R_1 R_3 C s}{R_2 R_3 C s + R_2}$$

Let :

$$R_1 = R_2$$

$$R_3 C = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$= - \left(\frac{s-10}{s+10} \right)$$

$$= - \frac{s}{s+10} + 10 \frac{1}{s+10}$$

$$C(s) = s \underbrace{\left(-\frac{1}{s+10} \cdot \frac{1}{s} \right)}_{C_o(s)} - 10 \underbrace{\left\{ \frac{-1}{(s+10)s} \right\}}_{C_o(s)}$$

Exercise: Calculate, plot & interpret $C_o(t)$, $C(t)$ (non-min phase behaviour)

Case III : Pole-Zero Cancellation & 2nd order approx

$$T(s) = \frac{K(s+z)}{(s+p_3)(s^2+as+b)}$$

If z is "close" to p_3 then a 2nd order approx is valid.

Only way to check is to calculate residues

$$C_1(s) = \frac{26.25(s+4)}{s(s+3.5)(s+5)(s+6)}$$

2nd order A.
a) NOT VALID

$$C_2(s) = \frac{26.25(s+4)}{s(s+4.01)(s+5)(s+6)}$$

b) VALID

Exercise: Justify conclusion (a) & (b) by calculating residues.

Time Response of a Realization

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) = Cx(t) \end{cases} \quad \left| \quad x(0^-) = x_0 \right.$$

Problem: Solve for $x(t)$.

Case I: The homogeneous system
OR $u(t) = 0$ for all t .

$$\text{Then: } \begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) \\ y(t) = Cx(t) \end{cases} \quad x(0^-) = x_0$$

Using Laplace transform,

$$sX(s) - X(0^-) = AX(s)$$

$$\text{or } X(s) = (sI - A)^{-1} x_0$$

$$\text{So } x(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{X(s)\} = \left\{ \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{(sI - A)^{-1}\} \right\} x_0$$

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Considers:

$(sI - A)^{-1}$ in the formula above

Digression: Geometric Series

$$(1 - \alpha)^{-1} = 1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 + \alpha^3 + \dots$$

In this form the geometric series expansion is valid for a $n \times n$ matrix.

$$\begin{aligned}(sI - A)^{-1} &= \frac{1}{s} \left(I - \frac{1}{s} A \right)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{s} \left[I + \frac{1}{s} A + \frac{1}{s^2} A^2 + \dots \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{s} I + \frac{1}{s^2} A + \frac{1}{s^3} A^2 + \dots\end{aligned}$$

Now apply the inverse Laplace Transform

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}(sI - A)^{-1} &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s}\right)I + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^2}\right)A \\ &\quad + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^3}\right)A^2 + \dots\end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\text{Recall that } \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^{n+1}}\right) = \frac{t^n}{n!}, t \geq 0 \right]$$

$$= I + tA + \frac{t^2}{2!} A^2 + \frac{t^3}{3!} A^3 + \dots$$

Now where have we seen a similar form? Recall the series expansion of e^{α} for a scalar α .

$$e^{\alpha} = 1 + \alpha + \frac{\alpha^2}{2!} + \frac{\alpha^3}{3!} + \dots$$

This looks so similar to the above formula, that we DEFINE the matrix exponential:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{At} &:= I + At + A^2 \frac{t^2}{2!} + A^3 \frac{t^3}{3!} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^i}{i!} A^i \end{aligned}$$

From the above formula, for a $n \times n$ matrix A , e^{At} is also a $n \times n$ matrix.

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ (sI - A)^{-1} \right\} = e^{At} \quad t \geq 0} \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{*}$$

Hence, using $\textcircled{*}$ in $\textcircled{1}$,

$$x(t) = e^{At} x_0$$

Exercise: The matrix e^{At} is sometimes called the state-transition matrix. Why?

Solving the general equation

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) = Cx(t) \end{cases} \quad \left| \quad x(0^-) = x_0 \right.$$

Take L.T. :

$$X(s) = (sI - A)^{-1} x_0 + (sI - A)^{-1} B U(s)$$

Now, $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{(sI - A)^{-1} B U(s)\right\}$ (p. 2)

$$= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{(sI - A)^{-1} B\right\} * \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{U(s)\}$$

$$= e^{At} B * u(t) \quad \rightarrow \text{Convolution}$$

So, $x(t) = e^{At} x_0 + e^{At} B * u(t)$

$$= e^{At} x_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-\tau)} B u(\tau) d\tau$$

OR

$$x(t) = e^{At} \left[x_0 + \int_0^t e^{-A\tau} B u(\tau) d\tau \right]$$

$$y(t) = C x(t)$$

Example : $\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$

$$x(0^-) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose $u(t) = e^t$. Find $x(t)$.

Solⁿ. First calculate e^{At}

$$\begin{aligned}
 (sI - A)^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} s-1 & -1 \\ 0 & s-1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} & \left| \begin{array}{l} \det(sI - A) \\ \text{adj}(sI - A) \end{array} \right. \\
 &= \frac{1}{(s-1)^2} \begin{bmatrix} s-1 & 1 \\ 0 & s-1 \end{bmatrix} & \left| \begin{array}{l} = (s-1)^2 \\ = \begin{bmatrix} s-1 & 0 \\ 1 & s-1 \end{bmatrix}^T \end{array} \right. \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s-1} & \frac{1}{(s-1)^2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{s-1} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } e^{At} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ (sI - A)^{-1} \right\} = \begin{bmatrix} e^t & t e^t \\ 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix}$$

According to $(*)$ above,

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(t) &= \begin{bmatrix} e^t & t e^t \\ 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \int_0^t \begin{bmatrix} e^{-\tau} & -\tau e^{-\tau} \\ 0 & e^{-\tau} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} e^{\tau} d\tau \right) \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} e^t & t e^t \\ 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \int_0^t \begin{pmatrix} -\tau e^{-\tau} \\ e^{-\tau} \end{pmatrix} e^{\tau} d\tau \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^t & tet \\ 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \int_0^t \begin{pmatrix} -\tau \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} d\tau \right\}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^t & tet \\ 0 & e^t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - t^2/2 \\ 1 + t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^t - \frac{t^2}{2}e^t + tet + t^2e^t \\ e^t + tet \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^t + tet + \frac{t^2}{2}e^t \\ e^t + tet \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise: Solve this problem using equation $\textcircled{**}$ instead of $\textcircled{*}$.