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## Feedback & Regulation

ELEC 3004: Systems: Signals & Controls

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Lecture 16

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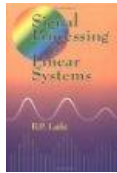


### Lecture Schedule:

Week	Date	Lecture Title
1	29-Feb	Introduction
	3-Mar	Systems Overview
2	7-Mar	Systems as Maps & Signals as Vectors
	10-Mar	Data Acquisition & Sampling
3	14-Mar	Sampling Theory
	17-Mar	Antialiasing Filters
4	21-Mar	Discrete System Analysis
	24-Mar	Convolution Review
	28-Mar	Holiday
	31-Mar	
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	7-Apr	Filters
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	28-Apr	Introduction to Feedback Control
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	5-May	Feedback Control & Regulation
10	9-May	Servoregulation/PID
	12-May	Introduction to (Digital) Control
11	16-May	Digital Control Design
	19-May	Stability
12	23-May	Digital Control Systems: Shaping the Dynamic Response & Estimation
	26-May	Applications in Industry
13	30-May	System Identification & Information Theory
	2-Jun	Summary and Course Review



## Follow Along Reading:



**B. P. Lathi**  
*Signal processing  
and linear systems*  
1998  
[TK5102.9.L38 1998](#)



**G. Franklin,  
J. Powell,  
M. Workman**  
*Digital Control  
of Dynamic Systems*  
1990

[TJ216.F72 1990](#)  
[\[Available as  
UQ Ebook\]](#)

Today

- Lathi  
Continuous-Time System Analysis  
Using the Laplace Transform
- FPW  
Chapter 2: Linear, Discrete,  
Dynamic-Systems Analysis

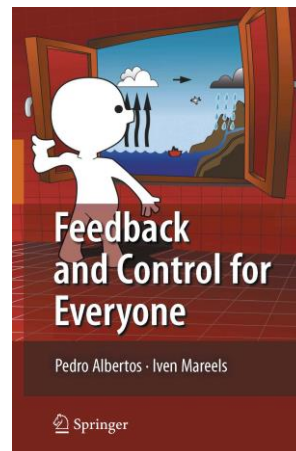
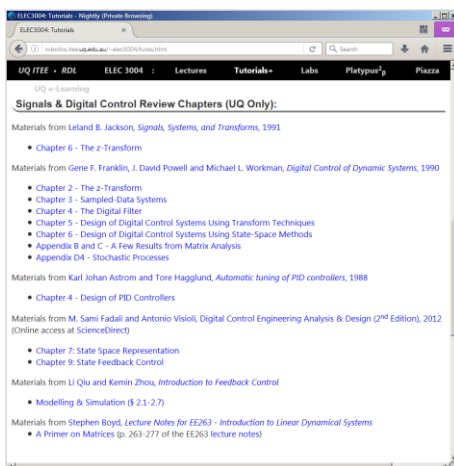
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- FPW
  - Chapter 4: Discrete Equivalents to Continuous
  - Transfer Functions: The Digital Filter
  - Chapter 5: Design of Digital Control Systems Using Transform Techniques

Next Time



## Announcements: Controls Resources

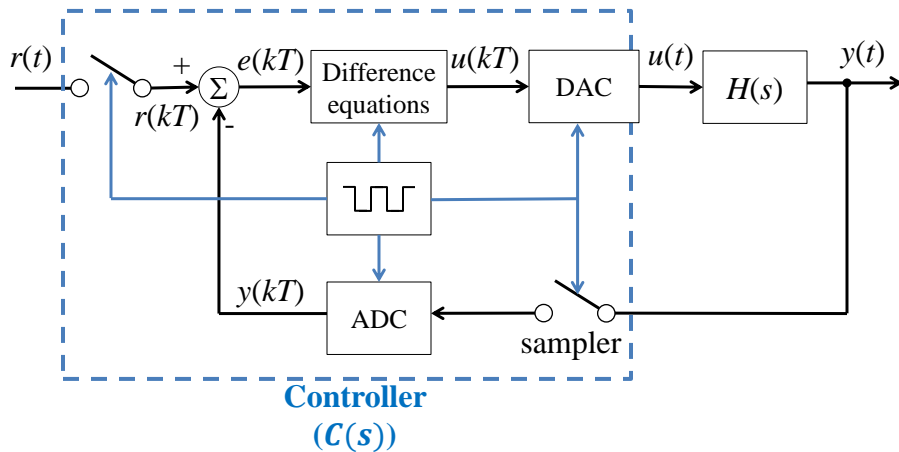


- Free e-Book [via UQ]:  
<https://library.uq.edu.au/record=b2508512~S7>



# Modelling

## (Digital) Feedback Control



- Continuous signals sampled with period  $T$
- $k$ th control value computed at  $t_k = kT$

## C(s): PID = Control for the PID-dly minded

- Proportional-Integral-Derivative control is the control engineer's hammer\*
  - For P,PI,PD, etc. just remove one or more terms

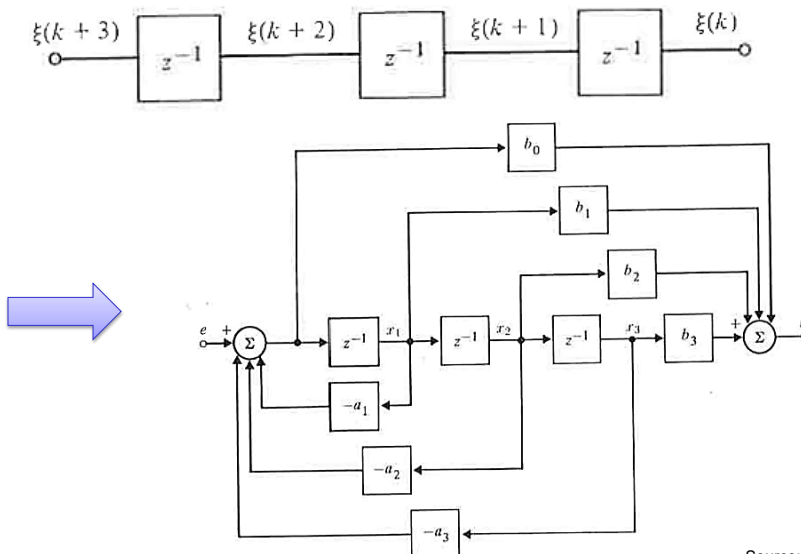
$$C(s) = k \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\tau I s} + \tau D s \right)$$

Proportional       $\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}$   
 Integral             $\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}$   
 Derivative          $\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}$

\*Everything is a nail. That's why it's called "Bang-Bang" Control ☺



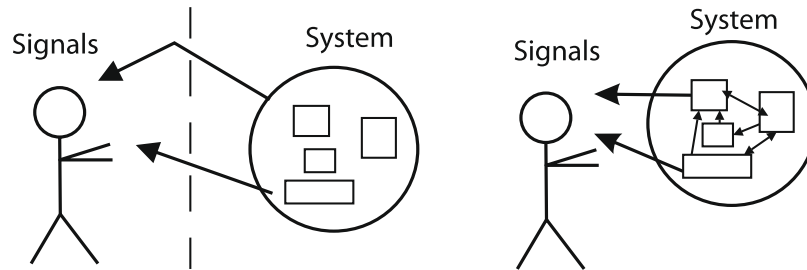
## Feedback Control: Tuning Nightmare!



Source: FPW, Fig. 2.8



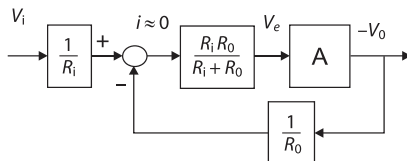
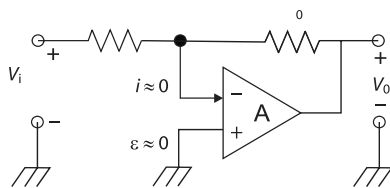
## Signals and Systems: Modelling Tools!



- Signals: Often came from a system
- Now we want feedback tools so as to understand the structure of the systems and how they interact so as to get desired signals



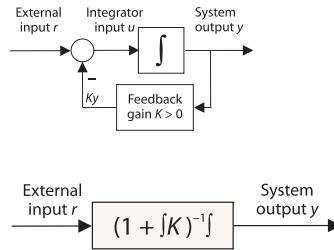
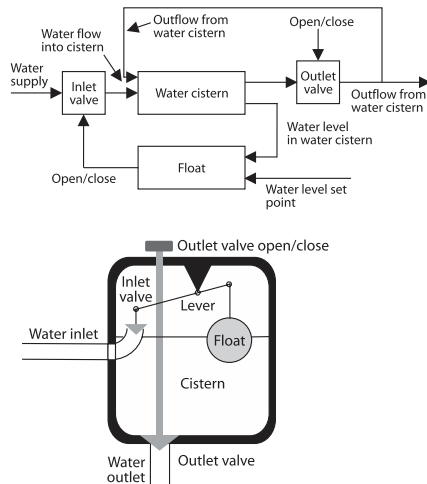
## Feedback Control + Models: Everywhere



$$\bullet \frac{V_0}{V_1} = -\frac{R_0}{R_1} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{A} \left(1 + \frac{R_0}{R_1}\right)}$$



# Feedback Control + Models: Everywhere

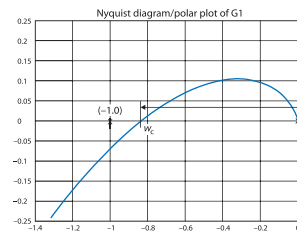
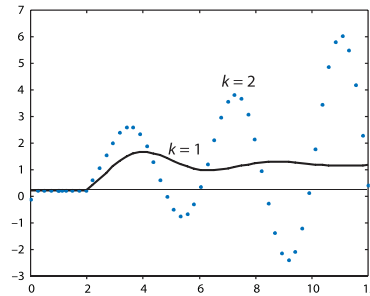
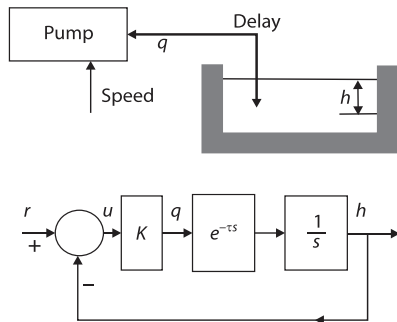


- Integrator:

$$y(t) = y_0 + \int_0^t u(\tau) d\tau$$

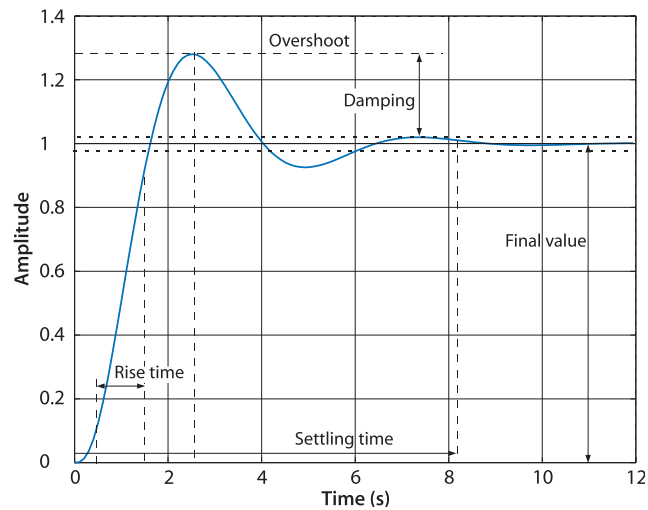
$$y(t) = y_0 + \frac{A \sin(\omega t)}{\omega}$$

# Feedback Control + Models: Everywhere

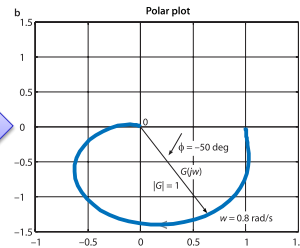
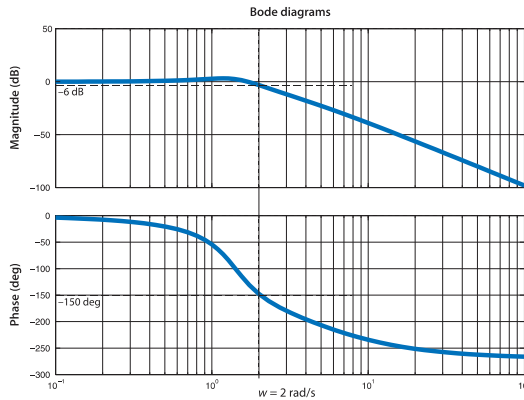


# Feedback as a Filter

## Time Response



# Frequency Domain Analysis



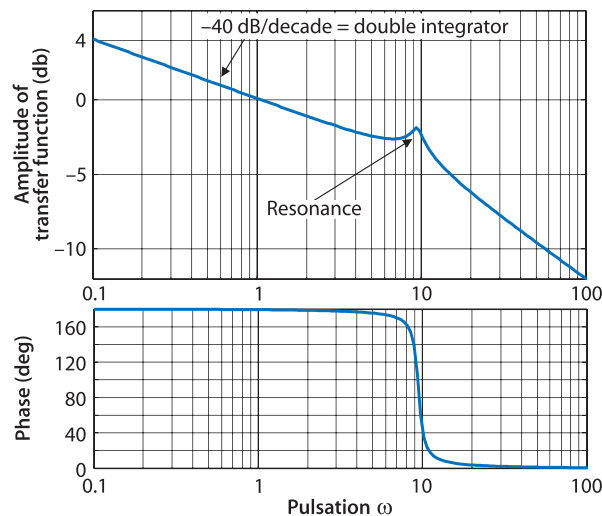
- Bode  
(Magnitude + Phase Plots)

- Nyquist Plot  
(Polar)



# In This Way Feedback May Be Seen as a Filter

- Ex: Lightly Damped Robot Arm



# Ex: 2<sup>nd</sup> Order Responses!

## Review: Direct Design: Second Order Digital Systems

Consider the z-transform of a decaying exponential signal:

$$y(t) = e^{-at} \cos(bt) \mathcal{U}(t) \quad (\mathcal{U}(t) = \text{unit step})$$

★ sample:  $y(kT) = r^k \cos(k\theta) \mathcal{U}(kT)$  with  $r = e^{-aT}$  &  $\theta = bT$

★ transform: 
$$Y(z) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{(z - re^{j\theta})} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{(z - re^{-j\theta})}$$

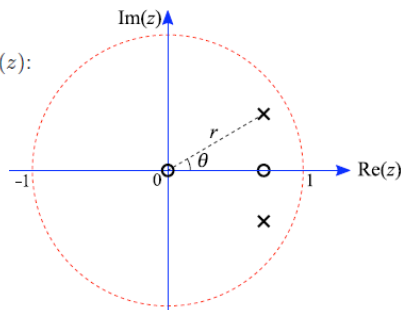
$$= \frac{z(z - r \cos \theta)}{(z - re^{j\theta})(z - re^{-j\theta})}$$

★ e.g.  $y_k$  is the pulse response of  $G(z)$ :

$$G(z) = \frac{z(z - r \cos \theta)}{(z - re^{j\theta})(z - re^{-j\theta})}$$

poles:  $\begin{cases} z = re^{j\theta} \\ z = re^{-j\theta} \end{cases}$

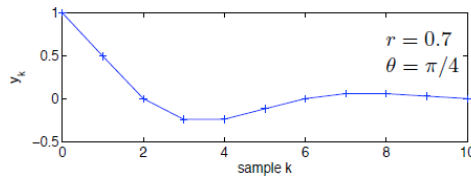
zeros:  $\begin{cases} z = 0 \\ z = r \cos \theta \end{cases}$



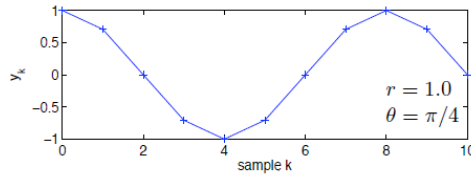
## Response of 2nd order system [1/3]

Responses for varying  $r$ :

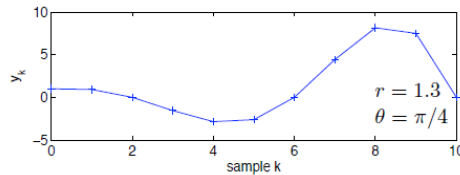
▷  $r < 1$   
 ↓  
 exponentially decaying envelope



▷  $r = 1$   
 ↓  
 sinusoidal response with  $2\pi/\theta$  samples per period



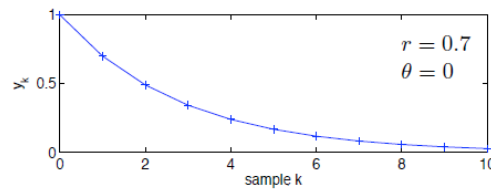
▷  $r > 1$   
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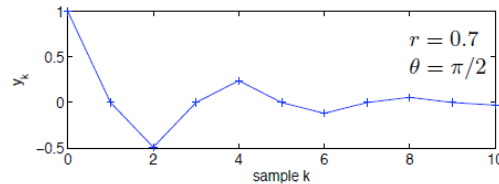
## Response of 2nd order system [2/3]

Responses for varying  $\theta$ :

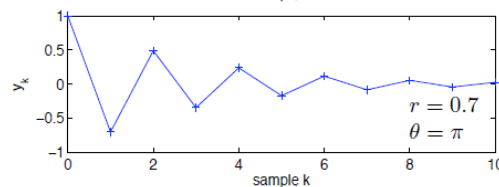
▷  $\theta = 0$   
 ↓  
 decaying exponential



▷  $\theta = \pi/2$   
 ↓  
 $2\pi/\theta = 4$  samples per period



▷  $\theta = \pi$   
 ↓  
 2 samples per period



## Response of 2nd order system [3/3]

Some special cases:

- ▷ for  $\theta = 0$ ,  $Y(z)$  simplifies to:

$$Y(z) = \frac{z}{z - r}$$

⇒ exponentially decaying response

- ▷ when  $\theta = 0$  and  $r = 1$ :

$$Y(z) = \frac{z}{z - 1}$$

⇒ unit step

- ▷ when  $r = 0$ :

$$Y(z) = 1$$

⇒ unit pulse

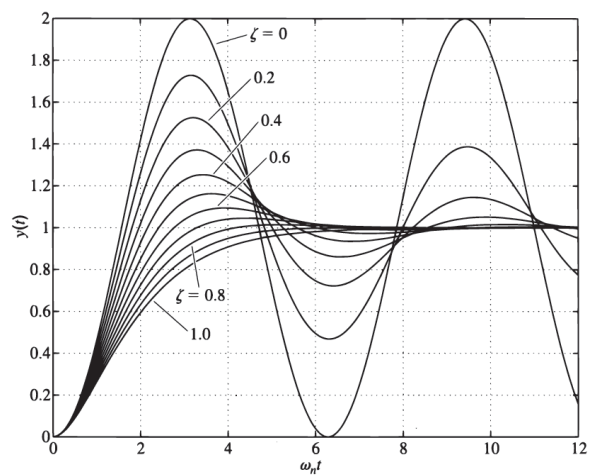
- ▷ when  $\theta = 0$  and  $-1 < r < 0$ :

samples of alternating signs



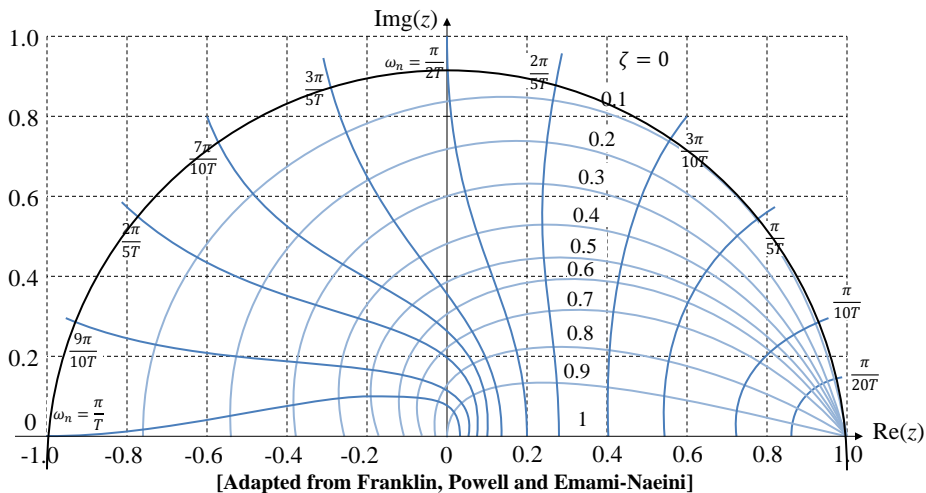
## 2<sup>nd</sup> Order System Response

- Response of a 2<sup>nd</sup> order system to increasing levels of damping:



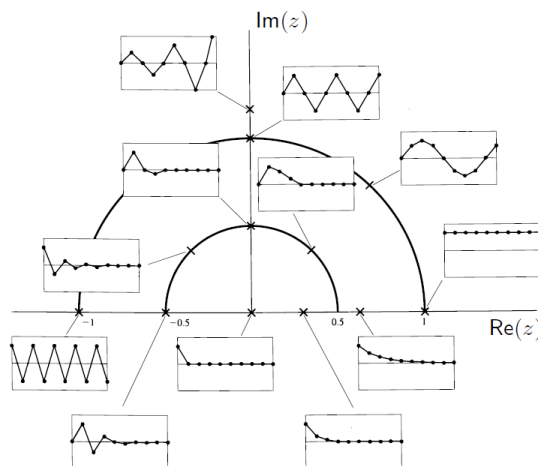
## Damping and natural frequency

$$z = e^{sT} \text{ where } s = -\zeta\omega_n \pm j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}$$



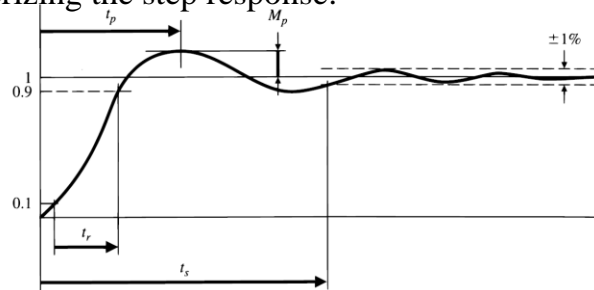
## Pole positions in the z-plane

- Poles inside the unit circle are **stable**
- Poles outside the unit circle are **unstable**
- Poles on the unit circle are oscillatory
- Real poles at  $0 < z < 1$  give exponential response
- Higher frequency of oscillation for larger  $\zeta$  and  $r$
- Lower apparent damping for larger  $\zeta$  and  $r$



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Order System Specifications

Characterizing the step response:



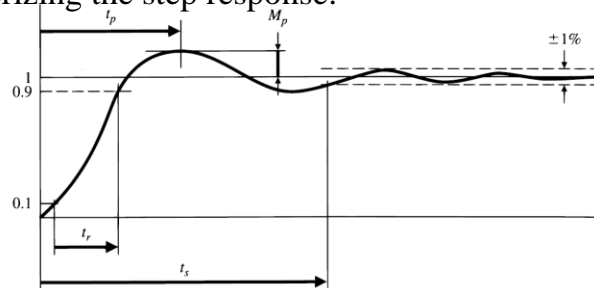
- Rise time (10%  $\rightarrow$  90%):  $t_r \approx \frac{1.8}{\omega_0}$
- Overshoot:  $M_p \approx \frac{e^{-\pi\zeta}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$
- Settling time (**to 1%**):  $t_s = \frac{4.6}{\zeta\omega_0}$
- Steady state error to unit step:  $e_{ss}$
- Phase margin:  $\phi_{PM} \approx 100\zeta$

Why 4.6? It's  $-\ln(1\%)$   
 $\rightarrow e^{-\zeta\omega_0 t} = 0.01 \rightarrow \zeta\omega_0 t = 4.6 \rightarrow t_s = \frac{4.6}{\zeta\omega_0}$



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Order System Specifications

Characterizing the step response:



- Rise time (10%  $\rightarrow$  90%) & Overshoot:  
 $t_r, M_p \rightarrow \zeta, \omega_0$  : Locations of dominant poles
- Settling time (to 1%):  
 $t_s \rightarrow$  radius of poles:  $|z| < 0.01^{1/t_s}$
- Steady state error to unit step:  
 $e_{ss} \rightarrow$  final value theorem  $e_{ss} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \{(z-1)F(z)\}$



## Ex: System Specifications → Control Design [1/4]

Design a controller for a system with:

- A continuous transfer function:  $G(s) = \frac{0.1}{s(s + 0.1)}$
- A discrete ZOH sampler
- Sampling time ( $T_s$ ):  $T_s = 1$  s
- Controller:

$$u_k = -0.5u_{k-1} + 13(e_k - 0.88e_{k-1})$$

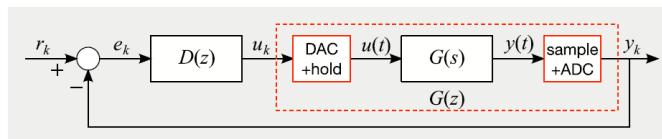
The closed loop system is required to have:

- $M_p < 16\%$
- $t_s < 10$  s
- $e_{ss} < 1$



## Ex: System Specifications → Control Design [2/4]

- (a) Find the pulse transfer function of  $G(s)$  plus the ZOH



$$G(z) = (1 - z^{-1})\mathcal{Z}\left\{\frac{G(s)}{s}\right\} = \frac{(z - 1)}{z}\mathcal{Z}\left\{\frac{0.1}{s^2(s + 0.1)}\right\}$$

e.g. look up  $\mathcal{Z}\{a/s^2(s + a)\}$  in tables:

$$\begin{aligned} G(z) &= \frac{(z - 1)}{z} \frac{z\left((0.1 - 1 + e^{-0.1})z + (1 - e^{-0.1} - 0.1e^{-0.1})\right)}{0.1(z - 1)^2(z - e^{-0.1})} \\ &= \frac{0.0484(z + 0.9672)}{(z - 1)(z - 0.9048)} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the controller transfer function (using  $z =$  shift operator):

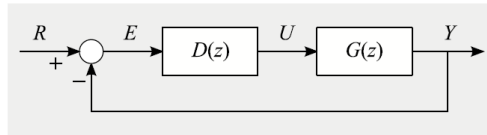
$$\frac{U(z)}{E(z)} = D(z) = 13 \frac{(1 - 0.88z^{-1})}{(1 + 0.5z^{-1})} = 13 \frac{(z - 0.88)}{(z + 0.5)}$$



## Ex: System Specifications → Control Design [3/4]

2. Check the steady state error  $e_{ss}$  when  $r_k =$  unit ramp

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} e_k = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1)E(z)$$



$$\frac{E(z)}{R(z)} = \frac{1}{1 + D(z)G(z)}$$

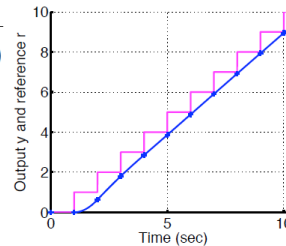
$$R(z) = \frac{Tz}{(z-1)^2}$$

$$\text{so } e_{ss} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \left\{ (z-1) \frac{Tz}{(z-1)^2} \frac{1}{1 + D(z)G(z)} \right\} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{T}{(z-1)D(z)G(z)}$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{T}{(z-1) \frac{0.0484(z+0.9672)}{(z-1)(z-0.9048)} D(1)}$$

$$= \frac{1 - 0.9048}{0.0484(1 + 0.9672)D(1)} = 0.96$$

$$\Rightarrow e_{ss} < 1 \quad (\text{as required})$$



## Ex: System Specifications → Control Design [4/4]

3. Step response: overshoot  $M_p < 16\% \Rightarrow \zeta > 0.5$   
 settling time  $t_s < 10 \Rightarrow |z| < 0.01^{1/10} = 0.63$

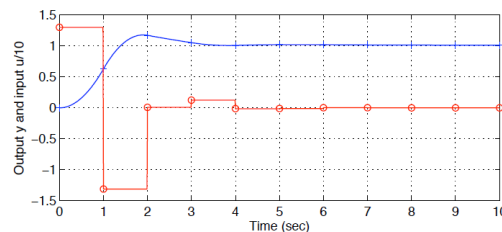
The closed loop poles are the roots of  $1 + D(z)G(z) = 0$ , i.e.

$$1 + 13 \frac{(z-0.88)}{(z+0.5)} \frac{0.0484(z+0.9672)}{(z-1)(z-0.9048)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow z = 0.88, -0.050 \pm j0.304$$

But the pole at  $z = 0.88$  is cancelled by controller zero at  $z = 0.88$ , and

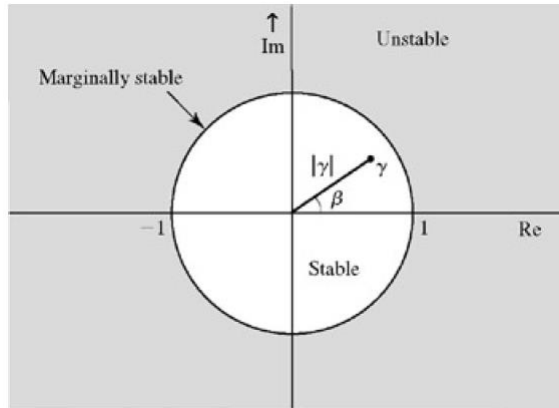
$$z = -0.050 \pm j0.304 = re^{\pm j\theta} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} r = 0.31, \theta = 1.73 \\ \zeta = 0.56 \end{cases}$$



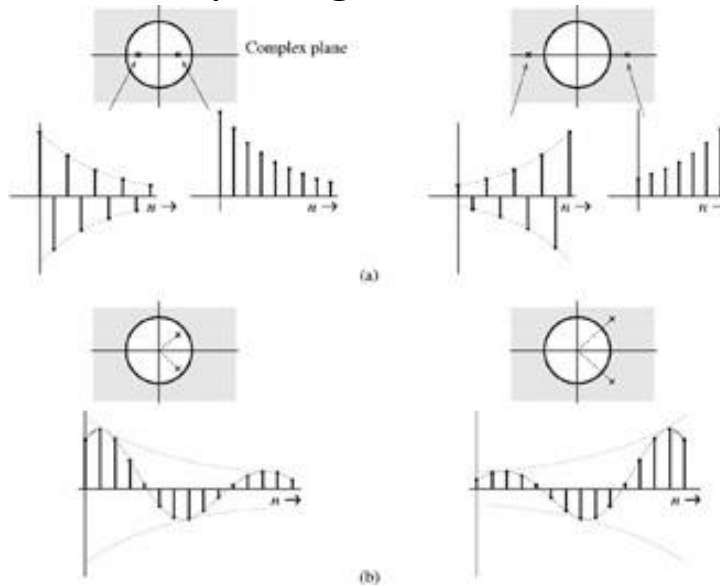
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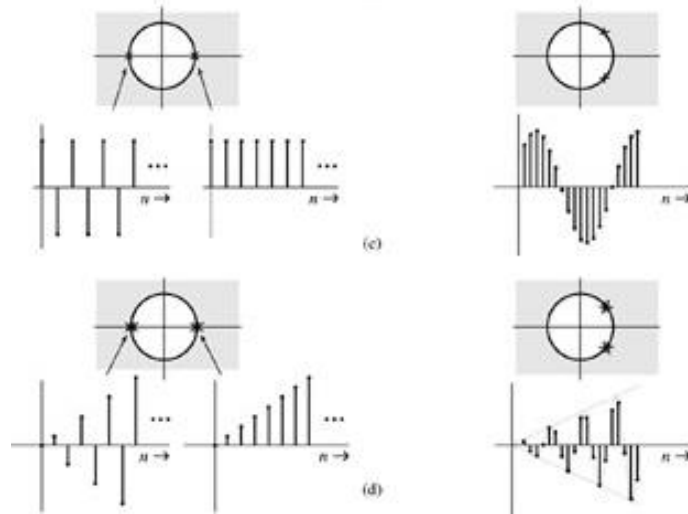
## LTID Stability



## Characteristic roots location and the corresponding characteristic modes [1/2]



## Characteristic roots location and the corresponding characteristic modes [2/2]



How to Design?  
Back to Analog !

## Two cases for control design

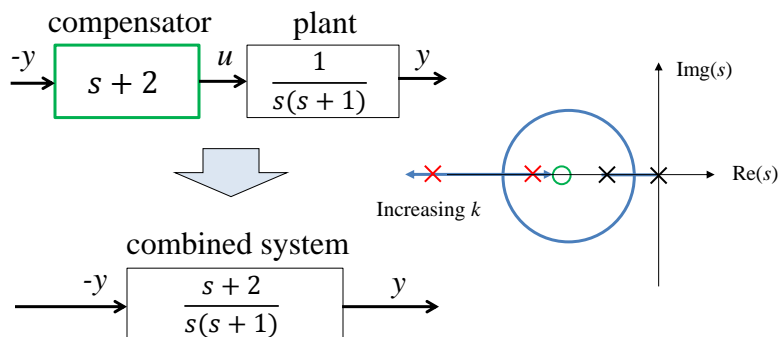
The system...

- Isn't fast enough
- Isn't damped enough
- Overshoots too much
- Requires too much control action  
(“Performance”)
  
- Attempts to spontaneously disassemble itself  
(“Stability”)



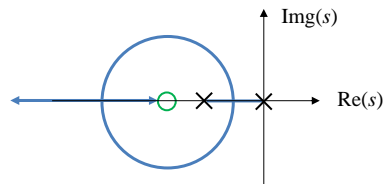
## Dynamic compensation

- We can do more than just apply gain!
  - We can add dynamics into the controller that alter the open-loop response



## But what dynamics to add?

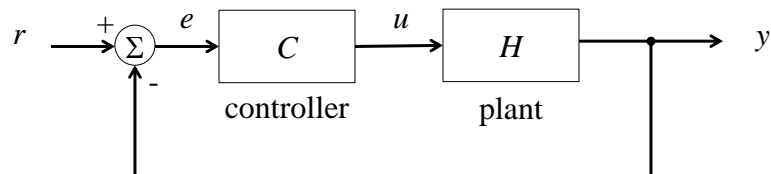
- Recognise the following:
  - A root locus starts at poles, terminates at zeros
  - “Holes eat poles”
  - Closely matched pole and zero dynamics cancel
  - The locus is on the real axis to the left of an odd number of poles (treat zeros as ‘negative’ poles)



## The Root Locus (Quickly)

- The transfer function for a closed-loop system can be easily calculated:

$$\begin{aligned}y &= CH(r - y) \\y + CHy &= CHr \\ \therefore \frac{y}{r} &= \frac{CH}{1 + CH}\end{aligned}$$



## The Root Locus (Quickly)

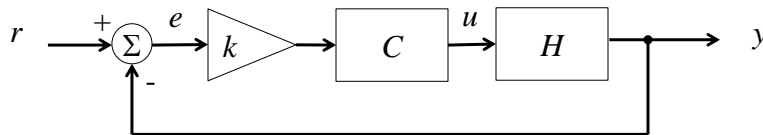
- We often care about the effect of increasing gain of a control compensator design:

$$\frac{y}{r} = \frac{kCH}{1 + kCH}$$

Multiplying by denominator:

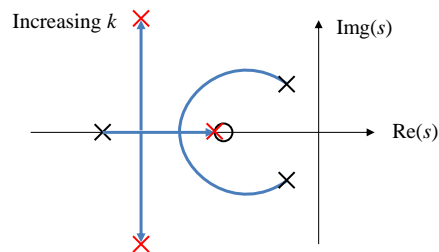
$$\frac{y}{r} = \frac{kC_n H_n}{C_d H_d + kC_n H_n}$$

characteristic polynomial



## The Root Locus (Quickly)

- Pole positions change with increasing gain
  - The trajectory of poles on the pole-zero plot with changing  $k$  is called the “root locus”
  - This is sometimes quite complex

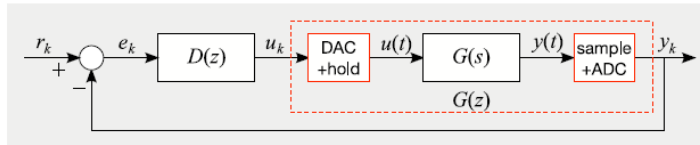


(In practice you'd plot these with computers)

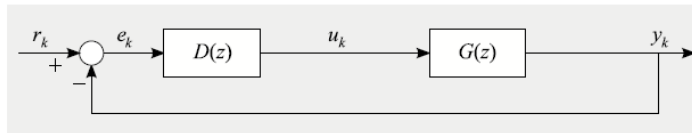


## Designing in the Purely Discrete...

Analyse/design a discrete controller  $D(z)$ :



by considering the purely discrete time system:



Closed loop system transfer function:  $\frac{Y(z)}{R(z)} = \frac{G(z)D(z)}{1 + G(z)D(z)}$

How do the closed loop poles relate to

- stability?
- performance?



## Now in discrete

- Naturally, there are discrete analogs for each of these controller types:

Lead/lag:  $\frac{1 - \alpha z^{-1}}{1 - \beta z^{-1}}$

PID:  $k \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\tau_i(1 - z^{-1})} + \tau_d(1 - z^{-1}) \right)$

But, where do we get the control design parameters from?  
The s-domain?



## Sampling a continuous-time system

suppose  $\dot{x} = Ax$

sample  $x$  at times  $t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots$ : define  $z(k) = x(t_k)$

then  $z(k+1) = e^{(t_{k+1}-t_k)A}z(k)$

for uniform sampling  $t_{k+1} - t_k = h$ , so

$$z(k+1) = e^{hA}z(k),$$

a discrete-time LDS (called *discretized version* of continuous-time system)

Source: Boyd, Lecture Notes for EE263, 10-22



## Piecewise constant system

consider *time-varying* LDS  $\dot{x} = A(t)x$ , with

$$A(t) = \begin{cases} A_0 & 0 \leq t < t_1 \\ A_1 & t_1 \leq t < t_2 \\ \vdots & \end{cases}$$

where  $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots$  (sometimes called jump linear system)

for  $t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}]$  we have

$$x(t) = e^{(t-t_i)A_i} \dots e^{(t_3-t_2)A_2} e^{(t_2-t_1)A_1} e^{t_1 A_0} x(0)$$

(matrix on righthand side is called state transition matrix for system, and denoted  $\Phi(t)$ )

Source: Boyd, Lecture Notes for EE263, 10-23



## Qualitative behaviour of $\mathbf{x}(t)$

suppose  $\dot{x} = Ax$ ,  $x(t) \in \mathbf{R}^n$

then  $x(t) = e^{tA}x(0)$ ;  $X(s) = (sI - A)^{-1}x(0)$

$i$ th component  $X_i(s)$  has form

$$X_i(s) = \frac{a_i(s)}{\mathcal{X}(s)}$$

where  $a_i$  is a polynomial of degree  $< n$

thus the poles of  $X_i$  are all eigenvalues of  $A$  (but not necessarily the other way around)

Source: Boyd, Lecture Notes for EE263, 10-24



## Qualitative behaviour of $\mathbf{x}(t)$ [2]

first assume eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  are distinct, so  $X_i(s)$  cannot have repeated poles

then  $x_i(t)$  has form

$$x_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_{ij} e^{\lambda_j t}$$

where  $\beta_{ij}$  depend on  $x(0)$  (linearly)

eigenvalues determine (possible) qualitative behavior of  $x$ :

- eigenvalues give exponents that can occur in exponentials
- real eigenvalue  $\lambda$  corresponds to an exponentially decaying or growing term  $e^{\lambda t}$  in solution
- complex eigenvalue  $\lambda = \sigma + j\omega$  corresponds to decaying or growing sinusoidal term  $e^{\sigma t} \cos(\omega t + \phi)$  in solution

Source: Boyd, Lecture Notes for EE263, 10-25



## Qualitative behaviour of $\mathbf{x}(t)$ [3]

first assume eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  are distinct, so  $X_i(s)$  cannot have repeated poles

then  $x_i(t)$  has form

$$x_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_{ij} e^{\lambda_j t}$$

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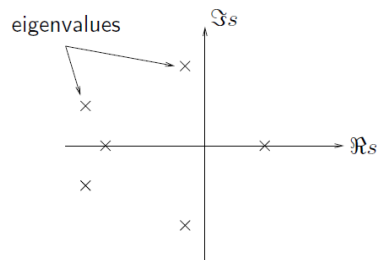
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Source: Boyd, Lecture Notes for EE263, 10-26



## Qualitative behaviour of $\mathbf{x}(t)$ [4]

- $\Re \lambda_j$  gives exponential growth rate (if  $> 0$ ), or exponential decay rate (if  $< 0$ ) of term
- $\Im \lambda_j$  gives frequency of oscillatory term (if  $\neq 0$ )



Source: Boyd, Lecture Notes for EE263, 10-27



## Qualitative behaviour of $\mathbf{x}(t)$ [5]

now suppose  $A$  has repeated eigenvalues, so  $X_i$  can have repeated poles

express eigenvalues as  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$  (distinct) with multiplicities  $n_1, \dots, n_r$ , respectively ( $n_1 + \dots + n_r = n$ )

then  $x_i(t)$  has form

$$x_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^r p_{ij}(t) e^{\lambda_j t}$$

where  $p_{ij}(t)$  is a polynomial of degree  $< n_j$  (that depends linearly on  $x(0)$ )

Source: Boyd, Lecture Notes for EE263, 10-28



## Emulation vs Discrete Design

- Remember: polynomial algebra is the same, whatever symbol you are manipulating:

$$\text{eg. } s^2 + 2s + 1 = (s + 1)^2$$

$$z^2 + 2z + 1 = (z + 1)^2$$

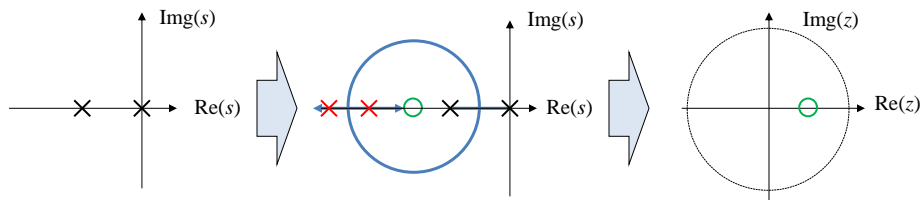
Root loci behave the same on both planes!

- Therefore, we have two choices:
  - Design in the  $s$ -domain and digitise (emulation)
  - Design only in the  $z$ -domain (discrete design)



## Emulation design process

1. Derive the dynamic system model ODE
2. Convert it to a continuous transfer function
3. Design a continuous controller
4. Convert the controller to the z-domain
5. Implement difference equations in software



## Emulation design process

- Handy rules of thumb:
  - Use a sampling period of 20 to 30 times faster than the closed-loop system bandwidth
  - Remember that the sampling ZOH induces an effective  $T/2$  delay
  - There are several approximation techniques:
    - Euler's method
    - Tustin's method
    - Matched pole-zero
    - Modified matched pole-zero

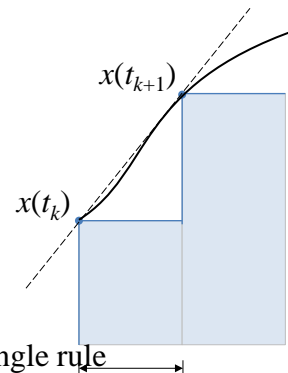


## Euler's method\*

- Dynamic systems can be approximated<sup>†</sup> by recognising that:

$$\dot{x} \cong \frac{x(k+1) - x(k)}{T}$$

- As  $T \rightarrow 0$ , approximation error approaches 0



\*Also known as the forward rectangle rule

†Just an approximation – more on this later  $T$



## Back to the future

A quick note on causality:

- Calculating the “(k+1)th” value of a signal using

$$y(k+1) = \underbrace{x(k+1)}_{\text{future value}} + \underbrace{Ax(k) - By(k)}_{\text{current values}}$$

relies on also knowing the next (future) value of  $x(t)$ .

(this requires very advanced technology!)

- Real systems always run with a delay:

$$y(k) = x(k) + Ax(k-1) - By(k-1)$$



## Back to the example!

```
T = 0.02; //period of 50 Hz, a number pulled from thin air
A = 2*T-1; //pre-calculated control constants
B = T-1;

...

while(1)
{
    if(interrupt_flag) //this triggers every 20 ms
    {
        x0 = x; //save previous values
        y0 = y;
        x = update_input(); //get latest x value
        y = x + A*x0 - B*y0; //do the difference equations
        update_output(y); //write out current value
    }
}

(The actual calculation)
```



## Tustin's method

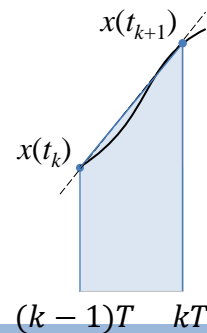
- Tustin uses a trapezoidal integration approximation (compare Euler's rectangles)
- Integral between two samples treated as a straight line:

$$u(kT) = \frac{T}{2} [x(k-1) + x(k)]$$

Taking the derivative, then z-transform yields:

$$S = \frac{2z-1}{Tz+1}$$

which can be substituted into continuous models



## Matched pole-zero

- If  $z = e^{sT}$ , why can't we just make a direct substitution and go home?

$$\frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{s+a}{s+b} \Rightarrow \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{z-e^{-aT}}{z-e^{-bT}}$$

- Kind of!
  - Still an approximation
  - Produces quasi-causal system (hard to compute)
  - Fortunately, also very easy to calculate.



## Matched pole-zero

The process:

1. Replace continuous poles and zeros with discrete equivalents:

$$(s + a) \Rightarrow (z - e^{-aT})$$

2. Scale the discrete system DC gain to match the continuous system DC gain
3. If the order of the denominator is higher than the numerator, multiply the numerator by  $(z + 1)$  until they are of equal order\*

\* This introduces an averaging effect like Tustin's method



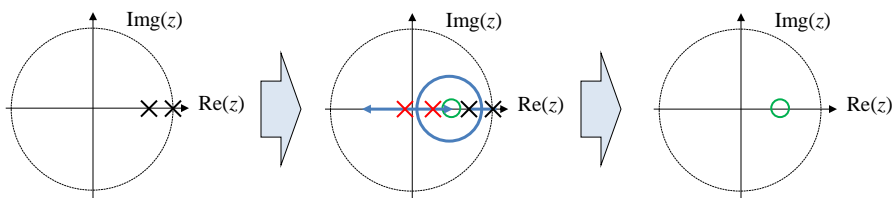
## Modified matched pole-zero

- We prefer it if we didn't require instant calculations to produce timely outputs
- Modify step 2 to leave the dynamic order of the numerator one less than the denominator
  - Can work with slower sample times, and at higher frequencies



## Discrete design process

1. Derive the dynamic system model ODE
2. Convert it to a discrete transfer function
3. Design a digital compensator
4. Implement difference equations in software
5. Platypus Is Divine!



## Discrete design process

- Handy rules of thumb:
  - Sample rates can be as low as twice the system bandwidth
    - but 5 to 10× for “stability”
    - 20 to 30 × for better performance
  - A zero at  $z = -1$  makes the discrete root locus pole behaviour more closely match the s-plane
  - Beware “dirty derivatives”
    - $dy/dt$  terms derived from sequential digital values are called ‘dirty derivatives’ – these are especially sensitive to noise!
    - Employ actual velocity measurements when possible



## Lead/Lag

## Some standard approaches

- Control engineers have developed time-tested strategies for building compensators
- Three classical control structures:
  - Lead
  - Lag
  - Proportional-Integral-Derivative (PID)  
(and its variations: P, I, PI, PD)

How do they work?



## Lead/lag compensation

- Serve different purposes, but have a similar dynamic structure:

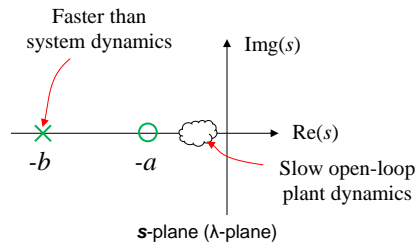
$$D(s) = \frac{s + a}{s + b}$$

Note:

Lead-lag compensators come from the days when control engineers cared about constructing controllers from networks of op amps using frequency-phase methods. These days pretty much everybody uses PID, but you should at least know what the heck they are in case someone asks.



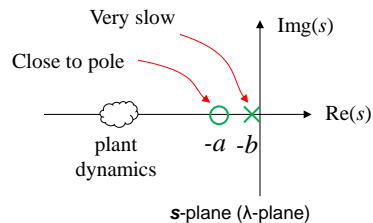
## Lead compensation: $a < b$



- Acts to decrease rise-time and overshoot
  - Zero draws poles to the left; adds phase-lead
  - Pole decreases noise
- Set  $a$  near desired  $\omega_n$ ; set  $b$  at  $\sim 3$  to  $20 \times a$



## Lag compensation: $a > b$

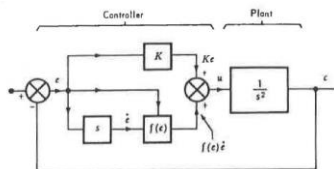


- Improves steady-state tracking
  - Near pole-zero cancellation; adds phase-lag
  - Doesn't break dynamic response (too much)
- Set  $b$  near origin; set  $a$  at  $\sim 3$  to  $10 \times b$



# Poles are Eigenvalues: Some Implications

## Stability of a 2<sup>nd</sup> order regulator



$$u = Ke + f(e)\dot{e}$$

state equations let  $e = x_1$  and  $\dot{e} = x_2$

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -Kx_1 - f(x_1)x_2$$

assume for simplicity that  $K = 1$ .

$$0 = x_2^0$$

$$0 = -x_1^0 - f(x_1^0)x_2^0$$

The Jacobian matrix is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -f(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

- The linear behavior of the system in the close neighborhood of the origin is described by

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_1 - f(0)x_2$$

- AND, the characteristic equation is:

$$s[s + f(0)] + 1 = 0$$


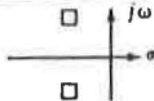

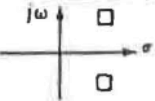

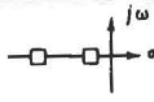

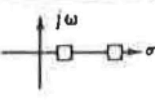

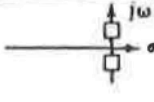

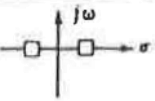
with the eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 = -\frac{1}{2}f(0) + \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}f^2(0) - 1}$$

$$\lambda_2 = -\frac{1}{2}f(0) - \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}f^2(0) - 1}$$



## Various Types of Singularities (2<sup>nd</sup> order systems)

<i>Stable</i>		<i>Unstable</i>	
<i>Trajectory type</i>	<i>Eigenvalues</i>	<i>Trajectory type</i>	<i>Eigenvalues</i>
 <p>Stable focus</p>		 <p>Unstable focus</p>	
 <p>Stable node</p>		 <p>Unstable node</p>	
 <p>Vortex</p>		 <p>Saddle</p>	



## PID (Intro)

## PID – Control for the PID-dly minded

- Proportional-Integral-Derivative control is the control engineer's hammer\*
  - For P,PI,PD, etc. just remove one or more terms

$$C(s) = k \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\tau_i s} + \tau_d s \right)$$

Proportional  
Integral  
Derivative

\*Everything is a nail. That's why it's called "Bang-Bang" Control ☺



## PID – the Good Stuff

- PID control performance is driven by three parameters:
  - $k$ : system gain
  - $\tau_i$ : integral time-constant
  - $\tau_d$ : derivative time-constant

You're already familiar with the effect of gain.  
What about the other two?



## Integral

- Integral applies control action based on accumulated output error
  - Almost always found with P control
- Increase dynamic order of signal tracking
  - Step disturbance steady-state error goes to zero
  - Ramp disturbance steady-state error goes to a constant offset

Let's try it!



## Integral: P Control only

- Consider a first order system with a constant load disturbance,  $w$ ; (recall as  $t \rightarrow \infty, s \rightarrow 0$ )

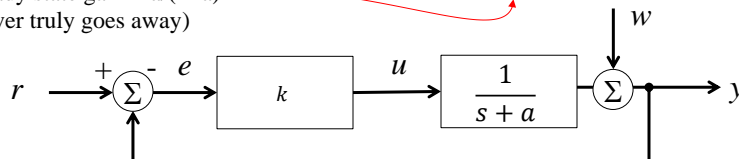
$$y = k \frac{1}{s+a} (r - y) + w$$

$$(s+a)y = k(r-y) + (s+a)w$$

$$(s+k+a)y = kr + (s+a)w$$

$$y = \frac{k}{s+k+a} r + \frac{(s+a)}{s+k+a} w$$

Steady state gain =  $a/(k+a)$   
(never truly goes away)



## Now with added integral action

$$y = k \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\tau_i s} \right) \frac{1}{s+a} (r - y) + w$$

$$y = k \frac{s + \tau_i^{-1}}{s} \frac{1}{s+a} (r - y) + w$$

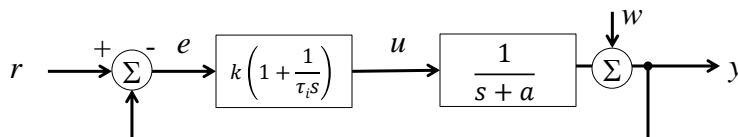
Same dynamics

$$s(s+a)y = k(s + \tau_i^{-1})(r - y) + s(s+a)w$$

$$(s^2 + (k+a)s + \tau_i^{-1})y = k(s + \tau_i^{-1})r + s(s+a)w$$

$$y = \frac{k(s + \tau_i^{-1})}{(s^2 + (k+a)s + \tau_i^{-1})} r + \frac{s(s+a)}{k(s + \tau_i^{-1})} w$$

Must go to zero for constant w!



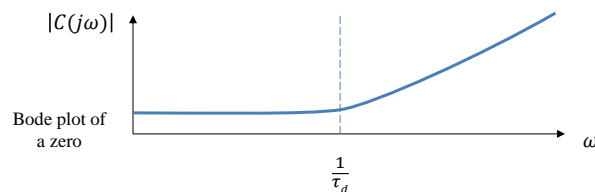
## Derivative

- Derivative uses the rate of change of the error signal to anticipate control action
  - Increases system damping (when done right)
  - Can be thought of as ‘leading’ the output error, applying correction predictively
  - Almost always found with P control\*

\*What kind of system do you have if you use D, but don't care about position? Is it the same as P control in velocity space?

## Derivative

- It is easy to see that PD control simply adds a zero at  $s = -\frac{1}{\tau_d}$  with expected results
  - Decreases dynamic order of the system by 1
  - Absorbs a pole as  $k \rightarrow \infty$
- Not all roses, though: derivative operators are sensitive to high-frequency noise

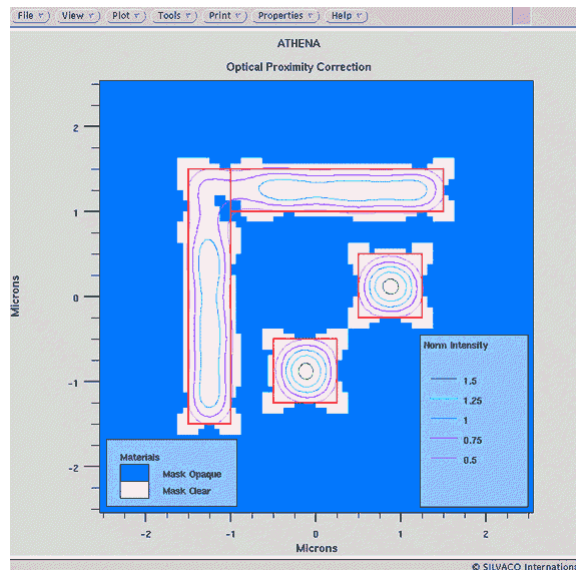


## PID

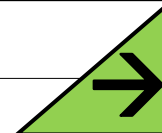
- Collectively, PID provides two zeros plus a pole at the origin
  - Zeros provide phase lead
  - Pole provides steady-state tracking
  - Easy to implement in microprocessors
- Many tools exist for optimally tuning PID
  - Zeigler-Nichols
  - Cohen-Coon
  - Automatic software processes



## Break!: Fun Application: Optical Proximity Correction



## Next Time...



- PID!
- Review:
  - PID notes online
  - Chapter 5 of FPW
- Deep Pondering??

