

## 2. Controllers & Time Response Analysis

- \* The time response of a system is the output of the closed loop system as a function of time. The time response of a control system is divided into 2 parts  
(a) Transient response. (b) Steady state response.

The time response  $C(t)$  is given by

$$C(t) = C_t(t) + C_{ss}(t)$$

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- \* Transient response is also called an dynamic response of the system.
- \* Steady state response is simply that part of the total response that remains after the transient has died out. Steady state response can still vary in a fixed pattern such as a sine wave @ a ramp function that increases with time.
- \* In order to analyze the transient & steady state behaviour of control systems, the first step always is to obtain a mathematical model of the system. For any input signal, a complete time response can then be obtained through Laplace inverse transform.

Note: (1) For a deterministic signal, the steady state response can be obtained directly without obtaining the time response expression by use of final value theorem.

(2) Before finding the time response of a system it should be ensured that the system is a stable S/m. If system is unstable we need not proceed with the transient response analysis.

- \* For the purpose of analysis & design, it is necessary to assume some basic types of test signals so that performance of S/m can be evaluated.

\* Some of the standard test signals are as follows:-

- An Impulse signal [Sudden shock]
- A Step signal [Sudden change]
- A Ramp signal [Constant velocity]
- A Parabolic signal [Constant Acceleration]

- \* The nature of the transient response is revealed by any one of the test signal.
- \* Step signal will be generally used since it can be easily generated.
- \* Then steady state response is examined for step signal as well as other test signals. (i.e., Ramp, Parabolic).
- \* Steady state error can be easily determined by using final value theorem.
- \* Since a physical control s/m involves energy storage, the o/p of the s/m when subjected to <sup>an</sup> i/p, cannot follow the input immediately, but exhibits a transient response before a steady state can be reached.
- \* The transient response often exhibits damped oscillations before reaching a steady state. If the o/p of the s/m at steady state does not exactly agree with input then the s/m is said to have steady state error.
- \* Steady state error is indicative of the accuracy of the s/m.

Note: In analyzing a control s/m, we must examine transient response & steady state behaviour.

### Standard Test Signals:

- (1) Step Signal:- The step is a signal whose value changes from one level (usually zero) to another level "A" in zero time. Mathematical representation of the step function is,

$$r(t) = A u(t)$$

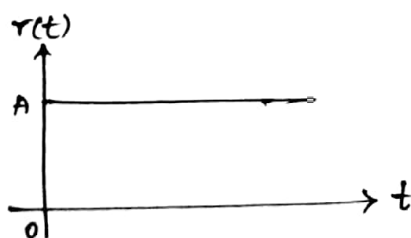
where,

$$u(t) = 1, t > 0$$

$$= 0, t < 0$$

Laplace Transform:

$$R(s) = \frac{A}{s}$$



Note: Step signal is a very useful test signal since its initial instantaneous jump in amplitude reveals a ~~good~~ system's quickness in responding to inputs with abrupt changes.

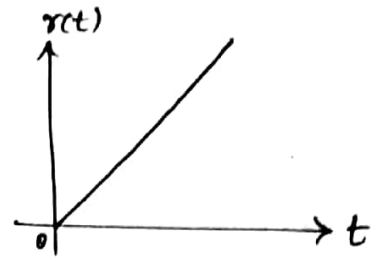
## (2) Ramp Signal:

The ramp signal which starts at a value of zero & increases linearly with time.

$$r(t) = At \quad ; t > 0 \\ = 0 \quad ; t < 0$$

Take Laplace Transform

$$R(s) = \frac{A}{s^2}$$



\* Ramp Signal is integral of a step signal. The ramp signal has the ability to test how the system would respond to a signal that changes linearly with time.

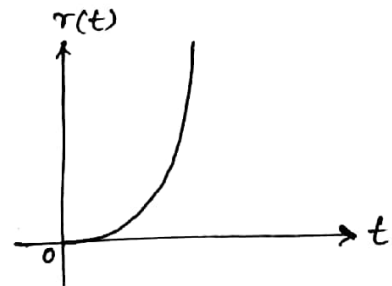
## (3) Parabolic Signal:-

The parabolic function represents a signal that is one order faster than the ramp function.

$$r(t) = \frac{At^2}{2} \quad ; t > 0 \\ = 0 \quad ; t < 0$$

Take Laplace Transform

$$R(s) = \frac{A}{s^3}$$



Note: (1) we can have also higher order inputs but it will lead to instability.

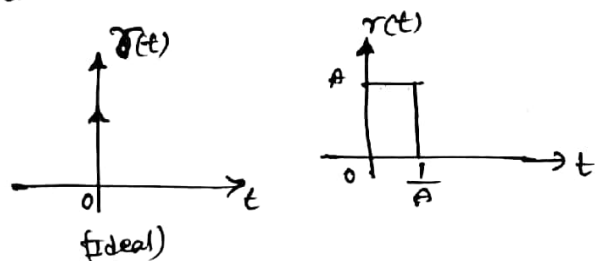
## (4) Impulse Signal:-

Impulse is defined as a signal which has zero value everywhere except at  $t=0$ , where its magnitude is infinite.

$$\delta(t) = 0 \quad ; t \neq 0 \\ = 1 \quad ; t = 0$$

Take Laplace Transform

$$\delta(s) = 1$$



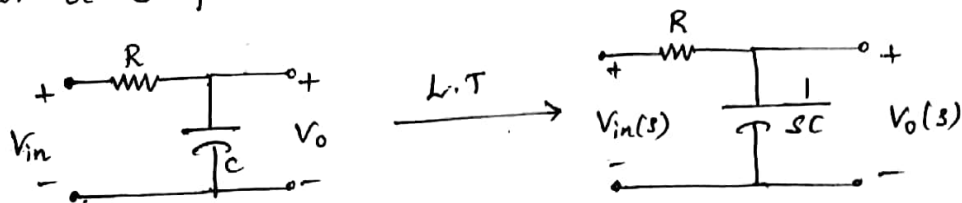
Since perfect impulse cannot be achieved practically, it is approximated by a pulse of small width but unit area.

# Laplace Transform formula:

function $f(t)$	Laplace Transform $f(s)$
① $f(t) = 1$	$f(s) = \frac{1}{s}$
② $f(t) = e^{at}$	$f(s) = \frac{1}{s-a}$
③ $f(t) = e^{-at}$	$f(s) = \frac{1}{s+a}$
④ $f(t) = t$	$f(s) = \frac{1}{s^2}$
⑤ $f(t) = t^n$	$f(s) = \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$
⑥ $f(t) = \sin at$	$f(s) = \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$
⑦ $\cos at$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$
⑧ $e^{at} \sin bt$	$\frac{b}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$
⑨ $e^{at} \cos bt$	$\frac{(s-a)}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$
⑩ $t^n e^{at}$	$\frac{n!}{(s-a)^{n+1}}$

## Time response of first order systems:-

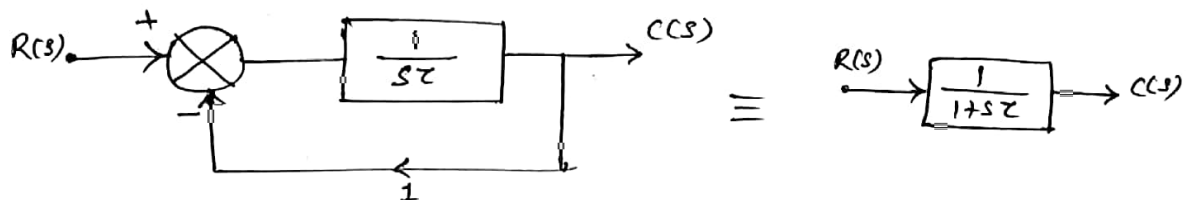
Consider a simple first order s/m e.g.; a Low pass filter.



$$\frac{V_o(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{\frac{1}{sC}}{R + \frac{1}{sC}} = \frac{\frac{1}{sC}}{\frac{1 + R s C}{sC}} = \frac{1}{1 + sRC} = \frac{1}{1 + s\tau}$$

$$\tau = RC$$

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{V_o(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{1}{1 + s\tau}$$



Now, Analyze the s/m responses to different types of input for a first order s/m.

### (a) Unit-step Response of First order s/m:

WKT:  $R(s) = \frac{1}{s}$ ,  $\therefore$  The o/p response is given by

$$C(s) = \frac{1}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + s\tau} = \frac{1}{s(s\tau + 1)}$$

Apply Partial fractions:

$$C(s) = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{(s\tau + 1)}$$

$$C(s) = \frac{A(s\tau + 1) + B(s)}{s(s\tau + 1)}$$

$$A(s\tau + 1) + B(s) = 1$$

Put  $s=0$   
 $A = 1$

Put  $s = -\frac{1}{\tau}$   
 $B(-\frac{1}{\tau}) = 1$

$$B = -\tau$$

$$\therefore C(s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{\tau}{s\tau + 1}$$

Take inverse L.T

$$C(t) = 1 - e^{-t/\tau}, \text{ for } t \geq 0$$

\* for a unit step response  
 $c(t) = 1 - e^{-t/\tau}$  for  $t \geq 0$

$$\therefore e(t) = r(t) - c(t) \\ = 1 - [1 - e^{-t/\tau}]$$

where  
 $e(t) \rightarrow$  Error response of the s/m

$$\boxed{e(t) = e^{-t/\tau}}$$

$\therefore$  The steady state error is given by

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t)$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$\boxed{e_{ss} = 0}$$

That means, the first order s/m tracks the unit step input with zero steady state error.

(b) unit-ramp response of first-order s/m:-

for the unit ramp input,  $R(s) = \frac{1}{s^2}$

$$C(s) = \frac{1}{s^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1+s\tau}$$

Apply Partial fraction:

$$\frac{1}{s^2(1+s\tau)} = \frac{A}{s^2} + \frac{B}{s} + \frac{C}{(1+s\tau)}$$

$$1 = A(1+s\tau) + B(s)(1+s\tau) + C(s^2)$$

Put $s=0$	$\boxed{s = -\frac{1}{\tau}}$	$\boxed{s = \frac{1}{\tau}}$
$1 = A$	$1 = \frac{C}{\tau^2}$	$1 = 2A + \frac{2B}{\tau} + \frac{C}{\tau^2}$
$\boxed{A=1}$	$\boxed{C=\tau^2}$	$1 = 2 + \frac{2}{\tau}B + 1$
		$-2 = \frac{2}{\tau}B$
		$\boxed{B=-\tau}$

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

$$= \frac{1}{s^2} - \tau \frac{1}{s} + \tau \cdot \frac{1}{(s + \frac{1}{\tau})}$$

Taking Inverse Laplace Transform:

$$c(t) = t - \tau + \tau e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$c(t) = t - \tau [1 - e^{-t/\tau}]$$

$$\therefore e(t) = r(t) - c(t)$$

$$= t - t + \tau (1 - e^{-t/\tau})$$

$$e(t) = \tau (1 - e^{-t/\tau})$$

$\therefore$  Steady State Error is given by

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\tau (1 - e^{-t/\tau}))$$

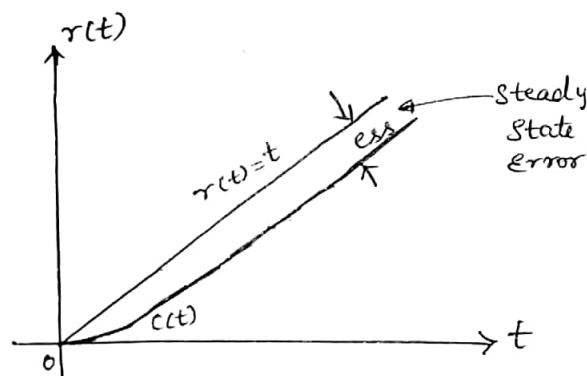
$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \tau - \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \tau e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$e_{ss} = \tau$$

$\therefore$  Steady State Error is dependent on the time constant  $[\tau = RC]$ .

Smaller the value of " $\tau$ " smaller the steady state error.

Hence reducing the time constant will not only improve the speed of response but also reduces its steady state error to a ramp i/p.



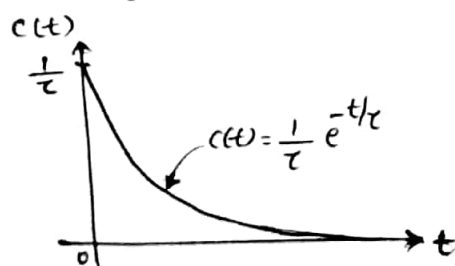
(C) Unit Impulse response of first order system:

$R(s) = 1$  & O/p of the system is given by

$$C(s) = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{1+s\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau(s+\frac{1}{\tau})}$$

Take inverse Laplace transform:

$$c(t) = \frac{1}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau} \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$



Note: \*  $c(t)$  of ramp is given by

$$c(t) = t - \tau + \tau e^{-t/\tau}, \quad t \geq 0$$

differentiating the  $c(t)$  w.r.to "t" we get

$$C_1(t) = 1 - e^{-t/\tau}, \quad t \geq 0$$

where  $C_1(t)$  is the o/p of unit step signal.

By differentiating  $C_1(t)$  w.r.to "t" we get

$$C_2(t) = \frac{1}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau}, \quad t \geq 0$$

where  $C_2(t)$  is the o/p of unit impulse signal.

### Second - Order Systems:

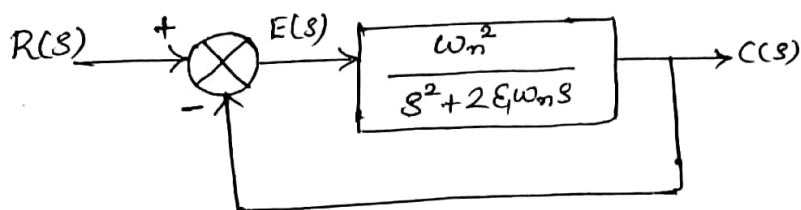
- \* Every Practical S/m takes some finite time to reach to its steady state during this period it oscillates @ increases exponentially.
- \* But every S/m has a tendency to oppose the oscillatory behaviour of the system which is called "Damping". And this tendency controls the ~~type~~ nature of the response.
- \* Damping is measured by a factor @ a ratio called "Damping Ratio" ( $\xi$ ). This factor will tell us how much opposition that the S/m have towards oscillatory output.
- \* If  $\xi = 0$  that implies S/m has no opposition for oscillation hence S/m can oscillate freely with "maximum frequency". This frequency of oscillations under
- \*  $\xi = 0$  is called "natural frequency of oscillations" & is denoted by the symbol " $\omega_n$ " (rad/sec).

$\xi \rightarrow$  Damping Ratio.

$\omega_n \rightarrow$  Undamped Natural frequency.



Consider a second order s/m as shown in the figure below.



The closed loop transfer function  $\frac{C(s)}{R(s)}$  of the s/m is given by

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

⇐ This is the standard form representation of the second order s/m.

Note: The dynamic (transient) behaviour of the 2<sup>nd</sup> order s/m depends on two parameters " $\zeta$  &  $\omega_n$ ".

Effect of " $\xi$ " on second order s/m:-

— Consider input applied to the standard 2<sup>nd</sup> order s/m in "unit step".

$$\therefore R(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

$$\underline{\text{WICIT}} \quad \frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

$$C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s(s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2)} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

finding the roots for  $(s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2) = 0$

$$s_{\pm} = \frac{-2\xi\omega_n \pm \sqrt{4\xi^2\omega_n^2 - 4\omega_n^2}}{2}$$

$$s = \frac{-2\xi\omega_n \pm 2\omega_n \sqrt{\xi^2 - 1}}{2}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{s = -\xi\omega_n \pm \omega_n \sqrt{\xi^2 - 1}}$$

$\therefore$  Eq $\textcircled{1}$  can be written as

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

Thus roots in the above equation is dependent on damping ratio " $\xi$ ".

Consider the following cases:

Case (1): ~~underdamped~~  $\xi = 0$

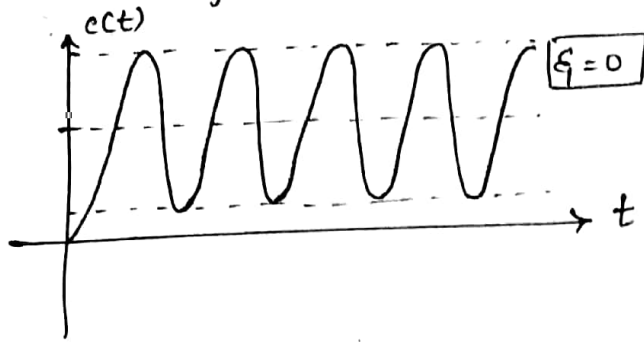
\* When  $\xi = 0$  the s/m is said to be "underdamped s/m", with sustained oscillatory behaviour at the o/p.

the roots are  $\boxed{s = \pm j\omega_n}$  Purely Imaginary

\* The response is purely oscillatory & oscillating at a maximum frequency without any opposition. Hence this frequency is called natural frequency of oscillation denoted by " $\omega_n$ ".

\* The response is oscillatory with constant frequency & amplitude:

The nature of response of an undamped s/m is as shown below.



Eg: Pendulum.

Case (ii): when  $0 < \xi < 1$

when  $0 < \xi < 1$ , the s/m is called "under damped s/m".

Note: " $\xi$  &  $\omega_n$ " cannot be negative. Hence real part is always negative.

The roots are  $s = -\xi \omega_n \pm j \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}$

Since  $\xi < 1 \therefore \sqrt{\xi^2 - 1}$  can be written as

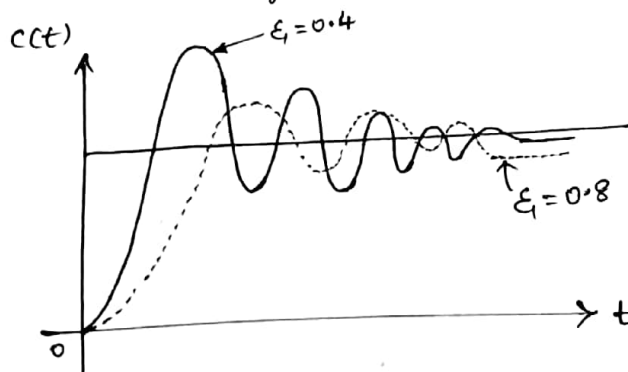
$$j \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}$$

Hence we have written

$$s = -\xi \omega_n \pm j \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}$$

Roots are negative, complex conjugate.

\* The response is oscillatory with oscillating frequency  $\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}$  but it has decreasing amplitude.



Eg: Bouncing Ball, Aircraft landing.

Case (iii):-  $\boxed{\xi = 1}$

When  $\xi = 1$ , the s/m is said to be "critically damped s/m".

The roots are  $\boxed{s = -\omega_n, -\omega_n}$  Both the roots will be  $\boxed{s = -\omega_n}$  (since it is a 2<sup>nd</sup> order s/m).  
↑  
 $\boxed{\text{Repetative Roots}}$

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

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

→ Apply Partial fraction, & take inverse Laplace transform.

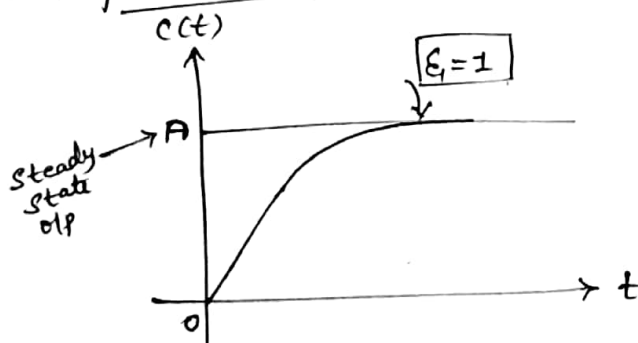
We get  $\boxed{C(t) = A + B e^{-\omega_n t} + C t e^{-\omega_n t}}$  where A, B & C will have some value

$A \rightarrow$  steady state o/p value.

By looking at the above equation we understand that the o/p is purely Exponential & its settling time will be <sup>(less)</sup> when compared to overdamped case hence this s/m is called "critically damped s/m".

Note:  $\boxed{\xi = 1}$  is the critical value of damping ratio because if it is decreased further, roots will become Complex Conjugate & this is the least value of damping ratio for which roots are real, negative & o/p is Exponential.

The response is as shown below:



similar to  
eg: Charging process of a capacitor.

Case (iv):  $\xi > 1$

When  $\xi > 1$ , the s/m is said to be "Overdamped s/m".

The roots are

$$s = -\xi \omega_n \pm \omega_n \sqrt{\xi^2 - 1}$$

Thus the roots are real, unequal & negative hence let us say  $-k_1$  &  $-k_2$  are the roots.

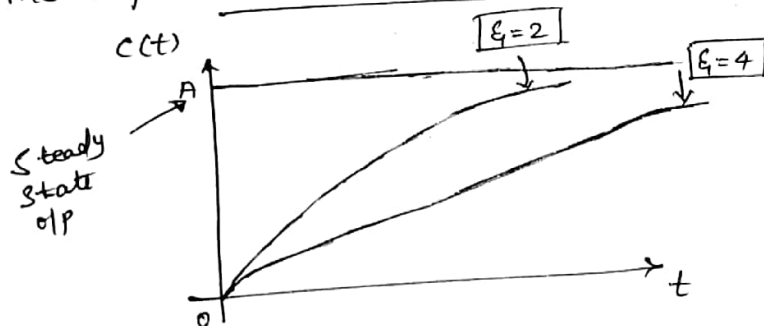
$$\therefore C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s(s+k_1)(s+k_2)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{(s+k_1)} + \frac{C}{(s+k_2)}$$

Taking Inverse L.T:

$$c(t) = A + B e^{-k_1 t} + C e^{-k_2 t}$$

Thus we can see that the o/p is purely exponential. This means damping ( $\xi$ ) is very high hence there is no oscillations in the output. Hence such s/m are called "overdamped s/m".

The response of such s/m is as shown below:



Eg: Application related to Space craft's like missile launching, Robotics etc.  
(Lift, JCB etc).

Summarising all the cases:

SL No	Range of $\xi$	Type of Poles	Nature of response	s/m classification
(1)	$\xi = 0$	Purely Imaginary	Oscillations with constant frequency & amplitude.	Undamped
(2)	$0 < \xi < 1$	Complex Conjugates with negative real part	Damped oscillation	underdamped
(3)	$\xi = 1$	Real, Equal & Negative	Critical & Pure Exponential	Critically damped
(4)	$\xi > 1$	Real, Unequal & Negative	Purely exponential slow & sluggish	overdamped

Derivation of unit step response of a second order system:-

This derivation is valid for underdamped s/m only ( $0 < \xi < 1$ )

Consider the transfer of a 2<sup>nd</sup> order s/m.

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

Consider the denominator ( $s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2 = 0$ )

The roots of this

$$s = -\xi\omega_n \pm j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\xi^2}$$

Let  $\alpha = \xi\omega_n$  and  $\omega_d = \omega_n\sqrt{1-\xi^2}$   $\leftarrow$  (This shows  $\omega_d$  is less than max oscillation freq  $\omega_n$ ).

$$\therefore \boxed{s = -\alpha \pm j\omega_d}$$

where,

$\omega_d \rightarrow$  Damped oscillation frequency

Let us consider a unit step input  $\boxed{R(s) = \frac{1}{s}}$

$$\therefore C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s(s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2)}$$

$$C(s) = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{(Bs+C)}{(s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2)}$$

$$\omega_n^2 = A(s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2) + (Bs+C)s$$

$$\omega_n^2 = As^2 + 2\xi\omega_n As + \omega_n^2 A + Bs^2 + Cs$$

$$\omega_n^2 = s^2[A+B] + s[2\xi\omega_n A + C] + \omega_n^2 A$$

Equating the co-efficients:

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} A+B=0 & 2\xi\omega_n A+C=0 & \omega_n^2 = \omega_n^2 A \\ \boxed{A=-B} & C=-2\xi\omega_n A & \boxed{A=1} \\ \boxed{B=-1} & \boxed{C=-2\alpha} & \end{array}$$

$$\therefore C(s) = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{[-s-2\alpha]}{s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

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

Consider  $s^2+2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2$

Add & Subtract  $(\alpha^2)$

$$\therefore \underline{s^2+2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} + \underline{\alpha^2} - \underline{\alpha^2} \quad (\because \alpha = \zeta\omega_n)$$

$$\underline{s^2+2\alpha s + \omega_n^2} + \underline{\alpha^2} - \underline{\alpha^2}$$

$$(s+\alpha)^2 + \omega_n^2 - \zeta^2\omega_n^2$$

$$(s+\alpha)^2 + \omega_n^2(1-\zeta^2) \quad (\because \omega_d = \omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})$$

$$(s+\alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2$$

$$\therefore C(s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{(s+2\alpha)}{(s+\alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2}$$

i.e.  $C(s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{(s+\alpha+\alpha)}{(s+\alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2} \quad (\text{split the LCM})$

$$C(s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{(s+\alpha)}{(s+\alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2} - \frac{\alpha}{(s+\alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

WKT:  $e^{-at} \cos bt = \frac{(s+a)}{(s+a)^2 + b^2}$  &  $e^{-at} \sin bt = \frac{b}{(s+a)^2 + b^2}$

Take Inverse Laplace Transform of eq (1)

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} c(t) &= 1 - e^{-\alpha t} \cos \omega_d t - \left( e^{-\alpha t} \sin \omega_d t \right) \frac{\alpha}{\omega_d} \\ &= 1 - e^{-\alpha t} \left[ \cos \omega_d t + \frac{\alpha}{\omega_d} \sin \omega_d t \right] \end{aligned}$$

Substitute  $\alpha$  &  $\omega_d$  value only in Co-efficients

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

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

WKT:  $\sin(\omega_d t + \theta) = \sin \omega_d t \cos \theta + \cos \omega_d t \sin \theta$

$\therefore C(t) = 1 - \frac{e^{-\xi \omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \left[ \sin(\omega_d t + \theta) \right]$  Expression of  $c(t)$  for a unit step under damped 2<sup>nd</sup> order system.

where

$$\cos \theta = \xi$$

$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{1-\xi^2}$$

$$\therefore \tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}}{\xi}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}}{\xi} \right]$$

Note:

(1) If the input is given as step size of "A" units, then

$$C(t) = A \left[ 1 - \frac{e^{-\xi \omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \sin(\omega_d t + \theta) \right]$$

(2) If  $s/m$  is not in standard form, i.e. numerator is not  $\omega_n^2$  but some other constant "K", then

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{K}{s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{K}{\omega_n^2} \left[ \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \right]$$

$$\therefore C(t) = \frac{K}{\omega_n^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{e^{-\xi \omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \sin(\omega_d t + \theta) \right]$$

(3) If numerator is a polynomial.

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{P(s)}{s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

for eg  $\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{(2s+4)}{s^2+10s+64}$

Then we cannot use the above result  $c(t)$ . But we can find the " $\xi$  &  $\omega_n$ " by using denominator.

(4) for any other input, other than step the derivation is not applicable.