

EE120 - Fall'19 - Lecture 18 Notes¹

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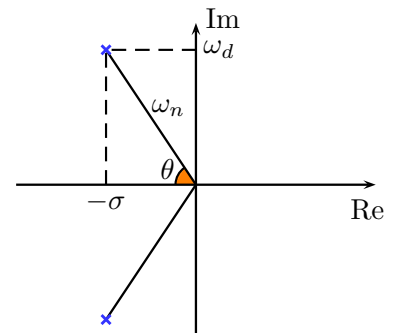
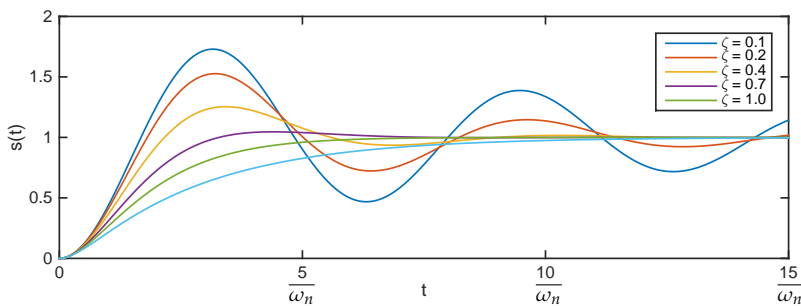
Step Response of Second Order Systems

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

ζ : damping ratio, ω_n : natural frequency

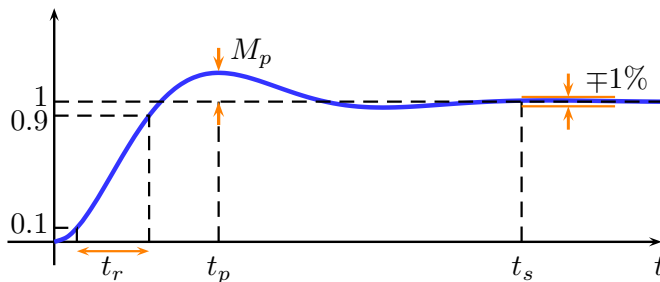
Poles: $s_{1,2} = -\overbrace{\omega_n \cos\theta}^{\sigma} \mp j\overbrace{\omega_n \sin\theta}^{\omega_d}$ where $\cos\theta = \zeta$

Below are the step responses for various values of ζ . Note that ω_n changes only the time scale, not the shape of the response.



Important Features of the Step Response:

- 1) Rise time (t_r): time to go from 10% to 90% of steady-state value
- 2) Peak overshoot (M_p): (peak value - steady state)/steady state
- 3) Peaking time (t_p): time to peak overshoot
- 4) Settling time (t_s): time after which the step response stays within 1% of the steady-state value



How do these parameters depend on ζ and ω_n ?

$$u(t) : \text{unit step} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \frac{1}{s}$$

Step response:

$$\begin{aligned} Y(s) = \frac{1}{s}H(s) &= \frac{\omega_n^2}{s(s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2)} \\ &= \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s + \sigma + j\omega_d} + \frac{B^*}{s + \sigma - j\omega_d} \\ A &= 1 \quad B = -\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + j \frac{\sigma}{\omega_d} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \left(1 + Be^{-\sigma t} e^{-j\omega_d t} + B^* e^{-\sigma t} e^{j\omega_d t} \right) u(t) \\ &= \left(1 + \underbrace{\left(Be^{-j\omega_d t} + B^* e^{j\omega_d t} \right)}_{= 2\operatorname{Re}\{Be^{-j\omega_d t}\}} e^{-\sigma t} \right) u(t) \\ &= \left(1 + \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + j \frac{\sigma}{\omega_d} \right) (e^{-j\omega_d t} + e^{j\omega_d t})}_{= -\left(\cos\omega_d t + \frac{\sigma}{\omega_d} \sin\omega_d t \right)} e^{-\sigma t} \right) u(t) \\ &= \left(1 - \left(\cos\omega_d t + \frac{\sigma}{\omega_d} \sin\omega_d t \right) e^{-\sigma t} \right) u(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$y(t) = \left[1 - \left(\cos\omega_d t + \frac{\sigma}{\omega_d} \sin\omega_d t \right) e^{-\sigma t} \right] u(t)$$

Peaking time:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}y(t) &= \sigma e^{-\sigma t} \left(\cancel{\cos\omega_d t} + \frac{\sigma}{\omega_d} \sin\omega_d t \right) - e^{-\sigma t} (-\omega_d \sin\omega_d t + \cancel{\sigma \cos\omega_d t}) \\ &= e^{-\sigma t} \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{\omega_d} + \omega_d \right) \sin\omega_d t \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}y(t) = 0 \implies \sin\omega_d t = 0 \quad t_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_d}$$

Peak overshoot: $M_p = y(t_p) - 1$

$$y(t_p) = \left(1 - \underbrace{\cos\omega_d t_p}_{=\cos\pi=-1} e^{-\sigma t_p} \right) = 1 + e^{-\sigma t_p} = 1 + e^{-\sigma \frac{\pi}{\omega_d}}$$

$$M_p = e^{-\pi \frac{\sigma}{\omega_d}} = e^{-\pi \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}} \quad \begin{aligned} \zeta \nearrow &\implies M_p \searrow \\ M_p &\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \zeta \rightarrow 1 \end{aligned} \quad M_p \approx \begin{cases} 0.05 & \zeta = 0.7 \\ 0.16 & \zeta = 0.5 \end{cases}$$

Approximate expressions for rise time and settling time:

$$t_s \approx \frac{4.6}{\sigma} \quad (\text{obtained from } e^{-\sigma t_s} = 0.01)$$

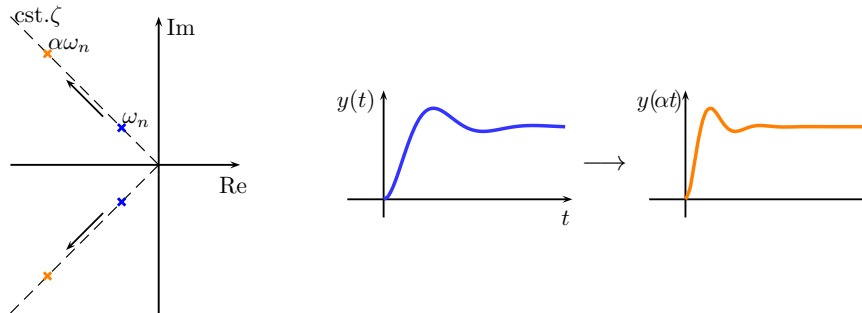
$$t_r \approx \frac{1.8}{\omega_n} \quad \text{for } \zeta = 0.5 \text{ (changes little with } \zeta)$$

Note that t_p, t_s, t_r are inversely proportional to ω_n :

$$t_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_d} = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \quad t_s \approx \frac{4.6}{\sigma} = \frac{4.6}{\omega_n \zeta} \quad t_r \approx \frac{1.8}{\omega_n}.$$

This is consistent with our observation on page 1 that ω_n changes only the time scale, not the shape of the response. We make this property explicit in the following statement:

If ζ is kept constant and ω_n is scaled by a factor of $\alpha > 0$ ($\omega_n \rightarrow \alpha\omega_n$) then the step response is scaled in time by α : $y(t) \rightarrow y(\alpha t)$.



Proof: If we replace ω_n with $\alpha\omega_n$ in (1), we get

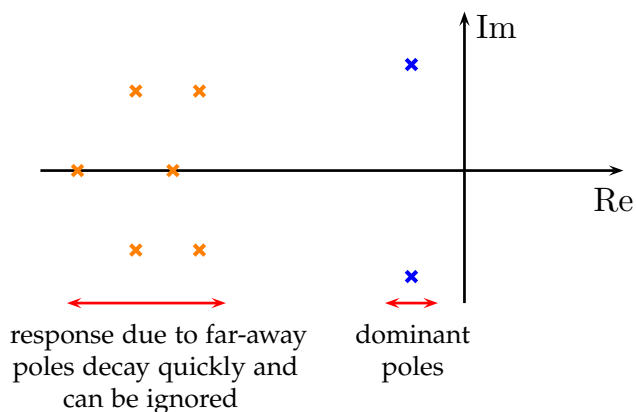
$$\frac{(\alpha\omega_n)^2}{s(s^2 + 2\zeta(\alpha\omega_n)s + (\alpha\omega_n)^2)} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s\left(\left(\frac{s}{\alpha}\right)^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n\left(\frac{s}{\alpha}\right) + \omega_n^2\right)} = \frac{1}{\alpha}Y\left(\frac{s}{\alpha}\right).$$

The statement above then follows from the scaling property of Laplace transform:

$$y(\alpha t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \frac{1}{\alpha}Y\left(\frac{s}{\alpha}\right).$$

Summary: $\omega_n \nearrow$ increases speed of the response
 $\zeta \nearrow$ reduces overshoot

Although the formulas above are for second order systems, they can be applied as approximate expressions to higher order systems with two dominant poles:



The Unilateral Laplace Transform

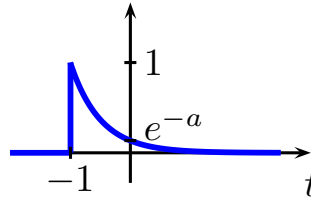
Section 9.9 in Oppenheim & Willsky

$$\mathcal{X}(s) = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-st}dt \quad (2)$$

Identical to the bilateral Laplace transform if $x(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$.

Example:

$$x(t) = e^{-a(t+1)}u(t+1)$$



$$X(s) = \frac{e^s}{s+a} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > -a$$

$$\mathcal{X}(s) = \frac{e^{-a}}{s+a} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > -a$$

Properties of the Unilateral Laplace Transform

Most properties of the bilateral Laplace transform also hold for the unilateral Laplace transform.

Exceptions:

Convolution:

$$(x_1 * x_2)(t) \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{X}_1(s)\mathcal{X}_2(s) \quad \text{if } x_1(t) = x_2(t) = 0 \text{ for all } t < 0$$

This follows from the convolution property of the bilateral Laplace transform which coincides with the unilateral transform because $x_1(t) = x_2(t) = 0$, $t < 0$.

Differentiation in Time:

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} \longleftrightarrow s\mathcal{X}(s) - x(0^-)$$

Repeated application gives:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left\{ \frac{dx(t)}{dt} \right\} \longleftrightarrow s(s\mathcal{X}(s) - x(0^-)) - \frac{dx}{dt}(0^-) \\ &= s^2\mathcal{X}(s) - sx(0^-) - \frac{dx}{dt}(0^-) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^3x(t)}{dt^3} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left\{ \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} \right\} \longleftrightarrow s \left(s^2\mathcal{X}(s) - sx(0^-) - \frac{dx}{dt}(0^-) \right) - \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}(0^-) \\ &= s^3\mathcal{X}(s) - s^2x(0^-) - s\frac{dx}{dt}(0^-) - \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}(0^-) \end{aligned}$$

Solving differential equations with the unilateral Laplace transform

Example:

$$\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 3\frac{dy}{dt} + 2y(t) = e^t \quad t \geq 0 \quad (3)$$

Initial condition $y(0^-) = a$, $\frac{dy}{dt}(0^-) = b$.

$$(s^2 Y(s) - as - b) + 3(sY(s) - a) + 2Y(s) = \frac{1}{s-1}$$

$$(s^2 + 3s + 2)Y(s) = as + b + 3a + \frac{1}{s-1} = \frac{as^2 + (b+2a)s + (1-b-3a)}{s-1}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{as^2 + (b+2a)s + (1-b-3a)}{(s+1)(s+2)(s-1)}$$

Partial fraction expansion:

$$\begin{aligned} Y(s) &= \frac{A_1}{s+1} + \frac{A_2}{s+2} + \frac{B}{s-1} \\ &= \frac{(A_1 + A_2 + B)s^2 + (A_1 + 3B)s + (2B - 2A_1 - A_2)}{(s+1)(s+2)(s-1)} \end{aligned}$$

Match coefficients:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} A_1 + A_2 + B &= a \\ A_1 + 3B &= b + 2a \\ 2B - 2A_1 - A_2 &= 1 - b - 3a \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} B &= 1/6 \\ A_1 &= -\frac{1}{2} + 2a + b \\ A_2 &= \frac{1}{3} - a - b \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{6}e^t + \left(-\frac{1}{2} + 2a + b\right)e^{-t} + \left(\frac{1}{3} - a - b\right)e^{-2t} \quad t \geq 0.$$

Compare this to the standard method for solving linear constant coefficient differential equations:

The first term in $y(t)$ above is the particular solution. If we substitute $y_p(t) = \frac{1}{6}e^t$ in (3):

$$\frac{d^2 y_p(t)}{dt^2} + 3\frac{dy_p}{dt} + 2y_p(t) = e^t.$$

The second and third terms constitute the homogeneous solution. If we substitute $y_h(t) = A_1 e^{-t} + A_2 e^{-2t}$:

$$\frac{d^2 y_h(t)}{dt^2} + 3\frac{dy_h}{dt} + 2y_h(t) = 0.$$

Thus, $y(t) = y_p(t) + y_h(t)$ and A_1 and A_2 are selected to satisfy the initial conditions.