

# Recap

# Importance of Damping Ratio and Frequency

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

Change in Damping Ratio and Frequency → Change in Location of Poles on the s-plane → Change in Transient Response.

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

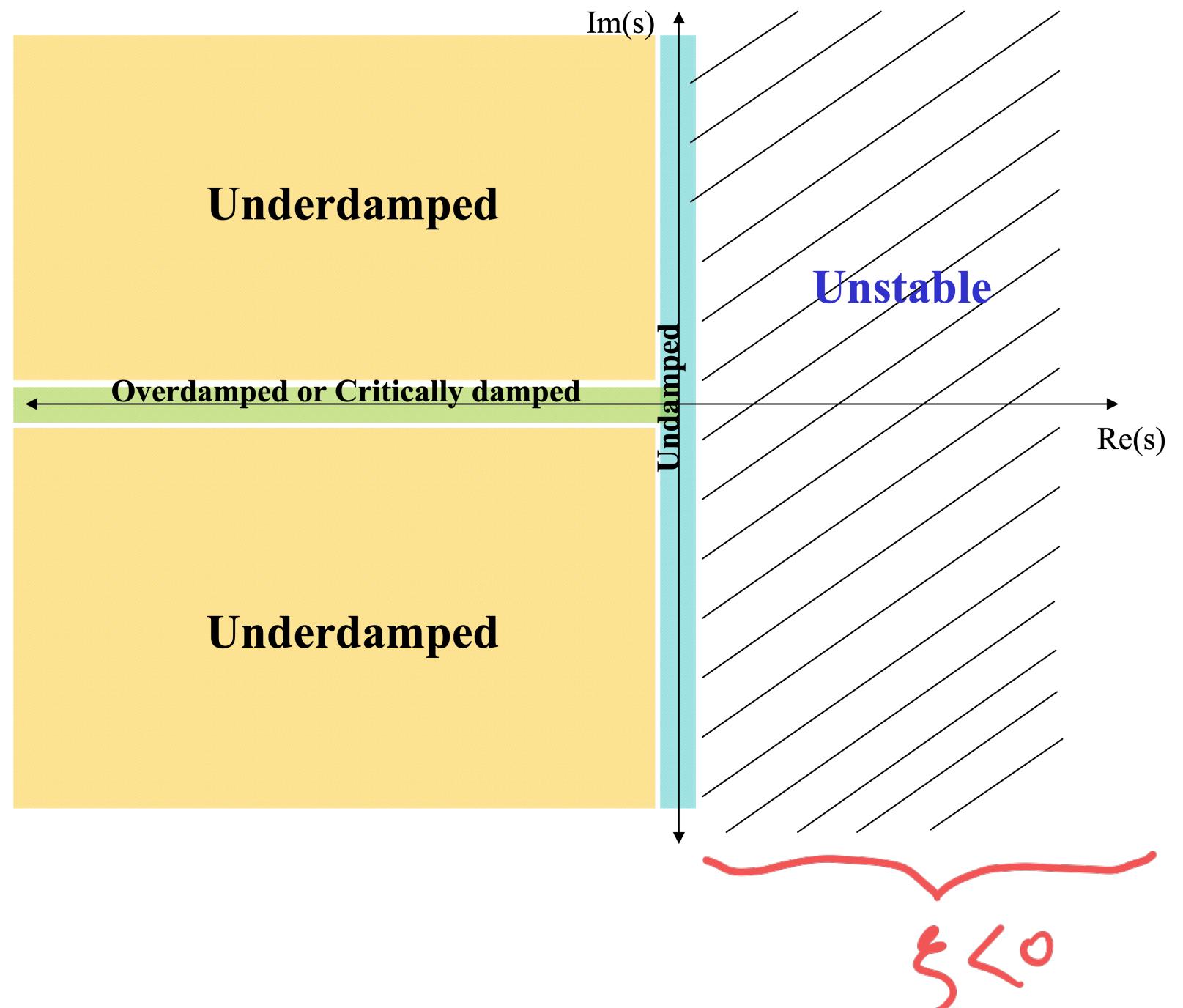
(non-negative  $\xi$ )

**There are four possible cases in the 2<sup>nd</sup>-order System Response**

Damping Ratio	Poles $P_{1,2} = -\xi\omega_n \pm j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\xi^2}$	Poles on the s-Plane	How it affects the output	Converge?
$\xi = 0$	$P_{1,2} = \pm j\omega_n$ undamped		 marginally stable	NO! oscillate
$0 < \xi < 1$	$P_{1,2} = -\xi\omega_n \pm j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\xi^2}$ under damped		 stable	Yes
$\xi = 1$	$P_{1,2} = -\omega_n \pm j0$ Repeated real poles		 critically damped stable	Yes No oscil.
$\xi > 1$	$P_{1,2} = -\xi\omega_n \pm \omega_n\sqrt{\xi^2 - 1}$ Real distinct poles		 NO oscillations (over damped) stable	Yes But very slowly

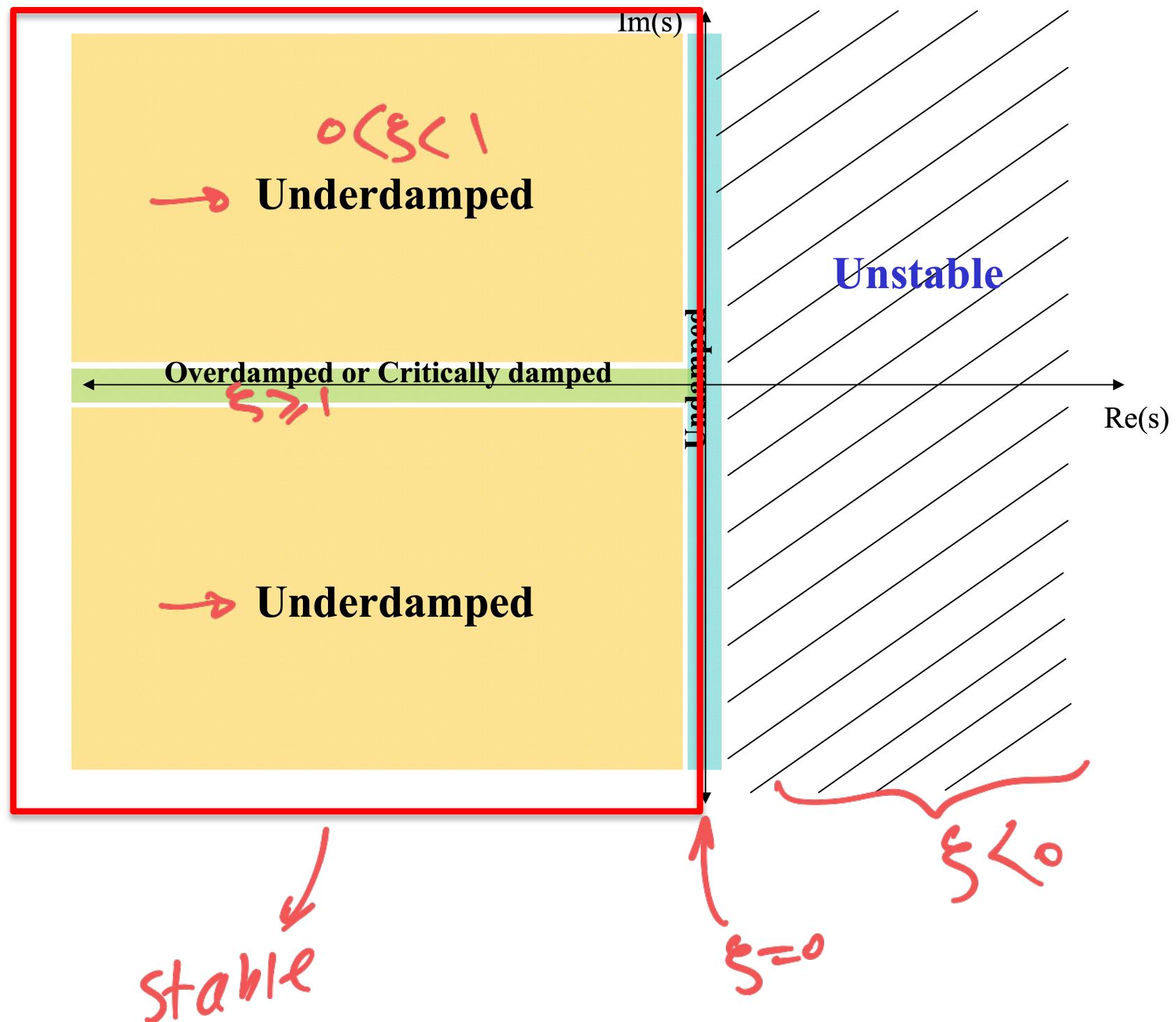
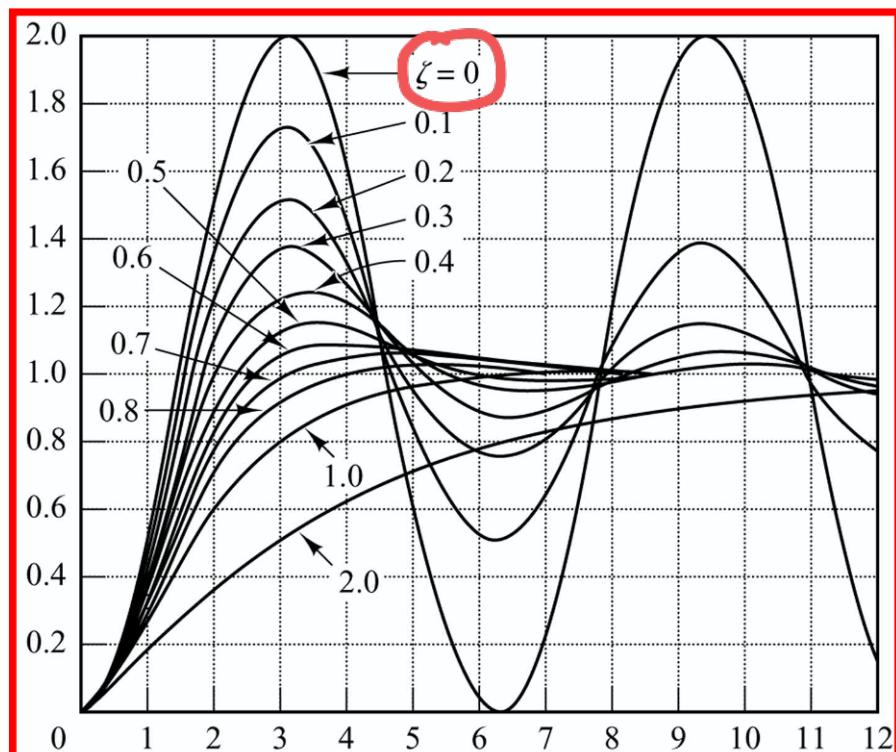
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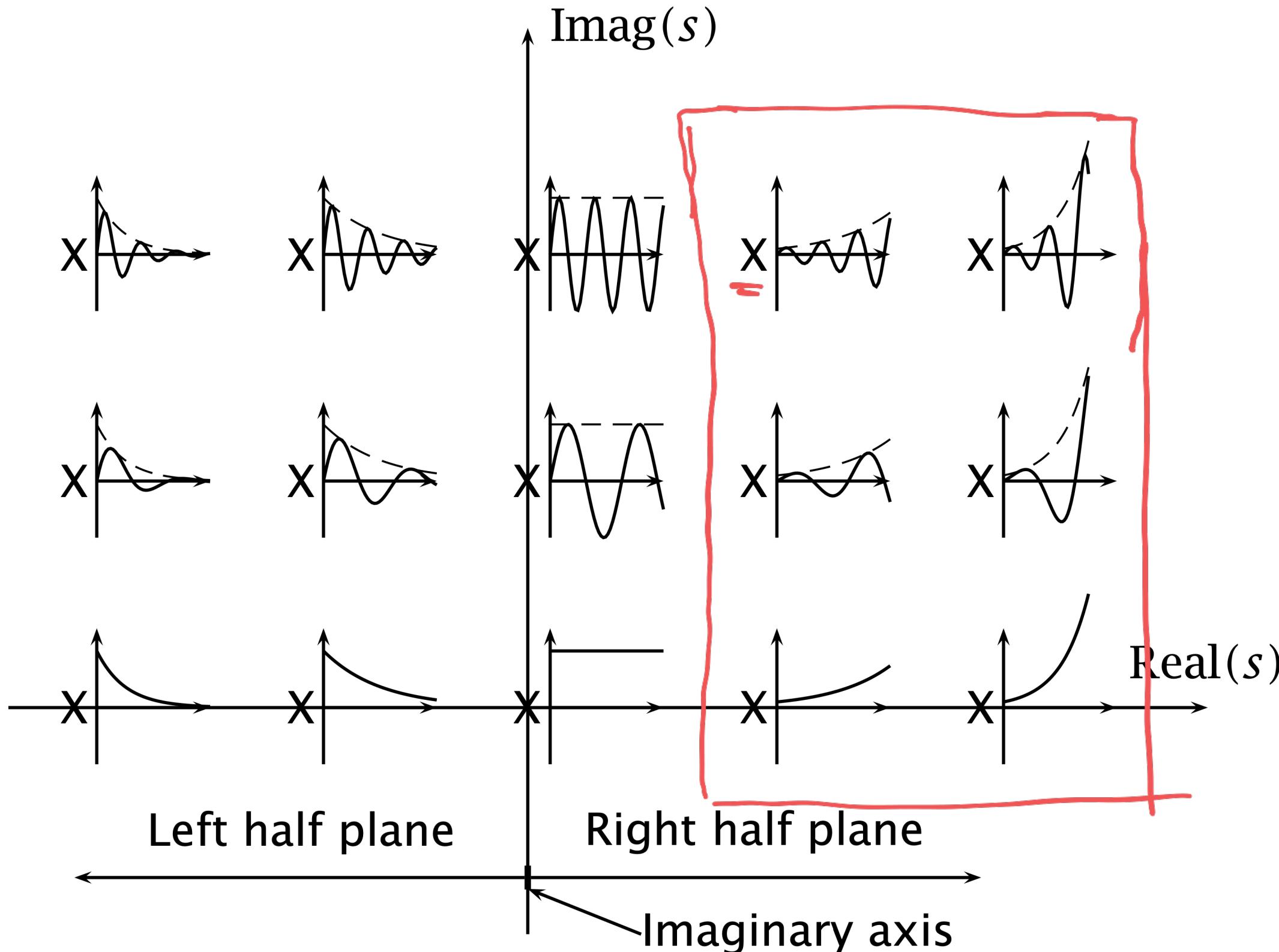
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Pole locations and corresponding transient responses

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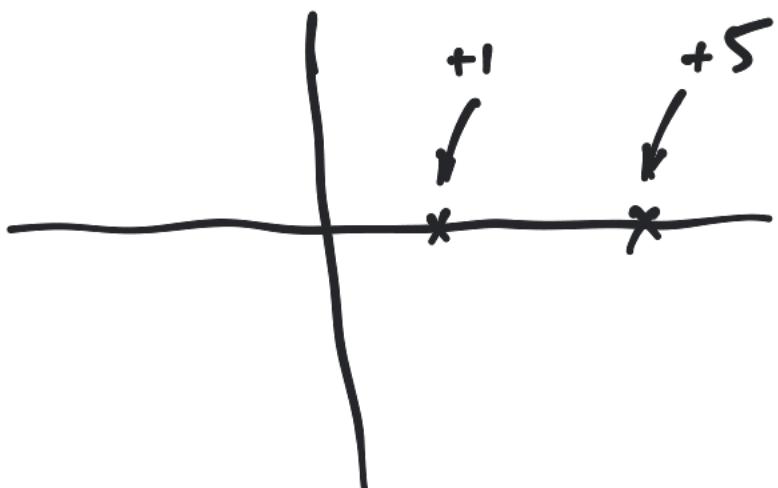
$$Y(s) = \frac{K}{s^2 - 6s + 5}$$

$$(s-1)(s-5)=0$$

$$\Rightarrow s=1 \text{ & } s=5$$

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{5t} + C_2 e^t$$

unstable



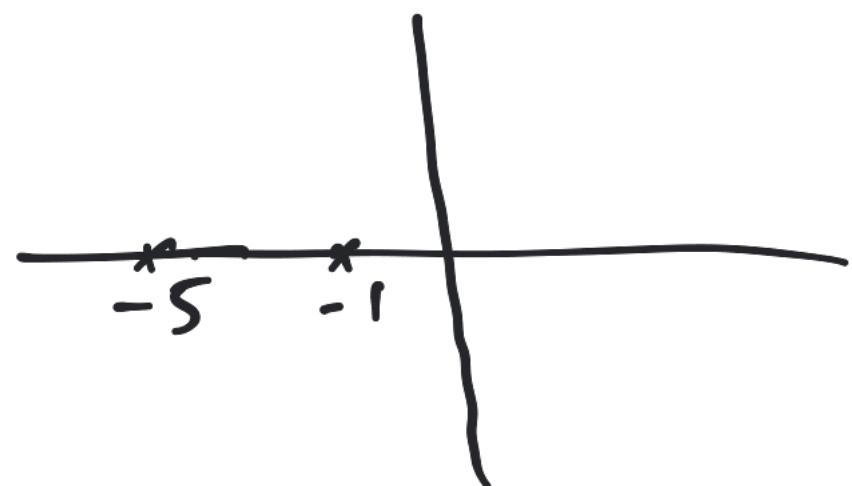
$$Y(s) = \frac{K}{s^2 + 6s + 5}$$

$$(s+5)(s+1)=0$$

$$\Rightarrow s=-5 \text{ & } s=-1$$

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{-5t} + C_2 e^{-t}$$

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### Summary

If you are to conclude about stability of a system whose closed-loop transfer function is given, simply find the **poles** of the system (roots of the CLTF's denominator a.k.a. characteristic equation)

- Any pole on the RHP? (positive real part) → Unstable
- Any pair of poles on the imaginary axis? ( $\pm j\omega$ ) → Marginally Stable
- All poles on the LHP? (negative real part) → Stable

## Poles and Stability (Second-order Systems)

$$G(s) = k \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

Finding Poles in a **second order system**, and therefore, concluding about the stability of the system is simple.

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

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**What if we have higher order systems?**

**Routh Stability Criterion**

**(conclusion about stability without the need to solve for poles)**

process for general CLTF : (n-th order system)

1-  $a_0 s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} s^1 + a_n s^0 = 0$

$a_n \neq 0$

if  $a_n = 0 \Rightarrow$  Divide the rest by s

$\rightarrow$  Get rid of the pole at  $s=0$

2- Check if all  $a_i$  have the same sign.

$\hookrightarrow$  if not  $\Rightarrow$  Unstable!

$\hookrightarrow$  if all negative  $\rightarrow$  multiply by (-1)

3) Construct the Routh Array:

$s^n$	$a_0$	$a_2$	$a_4$	$a_6$	... until you run out.
$s^{n-1}$	$a_1$	$a_3$	$a_5$	$a_7$	- - -
$s^{n-2}$	$b_1$	$b_2$	$b_3$	- - -	$b_1 = \frac{a_1 a_2 - a_0 a_3}{a_1}$
$s^{n-3}$	$c_1$	$c_2$	$c_3$	- - -	$b_2 = \frac{a_1 a_4 - a_0 a_5}{a_1}$
:	$d_1$				
:					
$s^2$	$e_1$	$e_2$	-		$c_1 = \frac{b_1 a_3 - a_1 b_2}{b_1}$
$s^1$	$f_1$				$c_2 = \frac{b_1 a_5 - a_1 b_3}{b_1}$
$s^0$	$g_1$				

Look at the signs  
of the first column

Note: can multiply any  
row w/ a constant  
to simplify

TWO outcomes :

1) If all the terms in the first column same sign

$\Rightarrow$  STABLE

2) if not, the number of sign changes is the  
number of POLES ON RHP (unstable pole)

$\Rightarrow$  Unstable

Example:

$$-s^5 - 3s^4 - 3s^3 - 6s^2 - 5s = 0$$

1) No coefficient for  $s^0 \rightarrow$  Divide by  $s$ .

$$\cancel{s} \left( -s^4 - 3s^3 - 3s^2 - 6s - 5 \right) = 0$$

2) All coefficients are negative  $\rightarrow$  multiply by  $(-1)$

$$1 \cdot s^4 + 3s^3 + 3s^2 + 6s^1 + 5 = 0$$

3)

$s^4$	1	3	5	
$s^3$	<del>3</del> 1	<del>0</del> 2	0	
$s^2$	$b_1 = 1$	$b_2 = 5$		
$s^1$	$C_1 = -3$	0		
$s^0$	$d_1 = 5$			

2 sign changes

$\Rightarrow$  2 poles  
on RHP

Unstable!

$$b_1 = \frac{(1)(3) - (1)(2)}{1} = \frac{(3 \times 3) - 1(6)}{3}$$

$$= 1$$

$$b_2 = \frac{(1)(5) - 1(0)}{1} = 5$$

$$C_1 = \frac{(1)(2) - (1)(5)}{1} = -3$$

$$d_1 = \frac{(-3)(5) - 0}{(-3)} = 5$$

## Special cases:

A) First Column is 0, remaining terms in that row are non-zero.

⇒ Replace 0 with small positive number ( $\epsilon$ )

$$1s^3 + 2s^2 + s + 2 = 0$$

$s^3$	1	0
$s^2$	2	0
$s^1$	$b_1 = \epsilon$	0
$s^0$	$c_1 = 2$	

$$b_1 = \frac{(2)(1) - (1)(2)}{(2)} = 0 \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$c_1 = \frac{(\epsilon)(2) - 0}{\epsilon} = 2$$

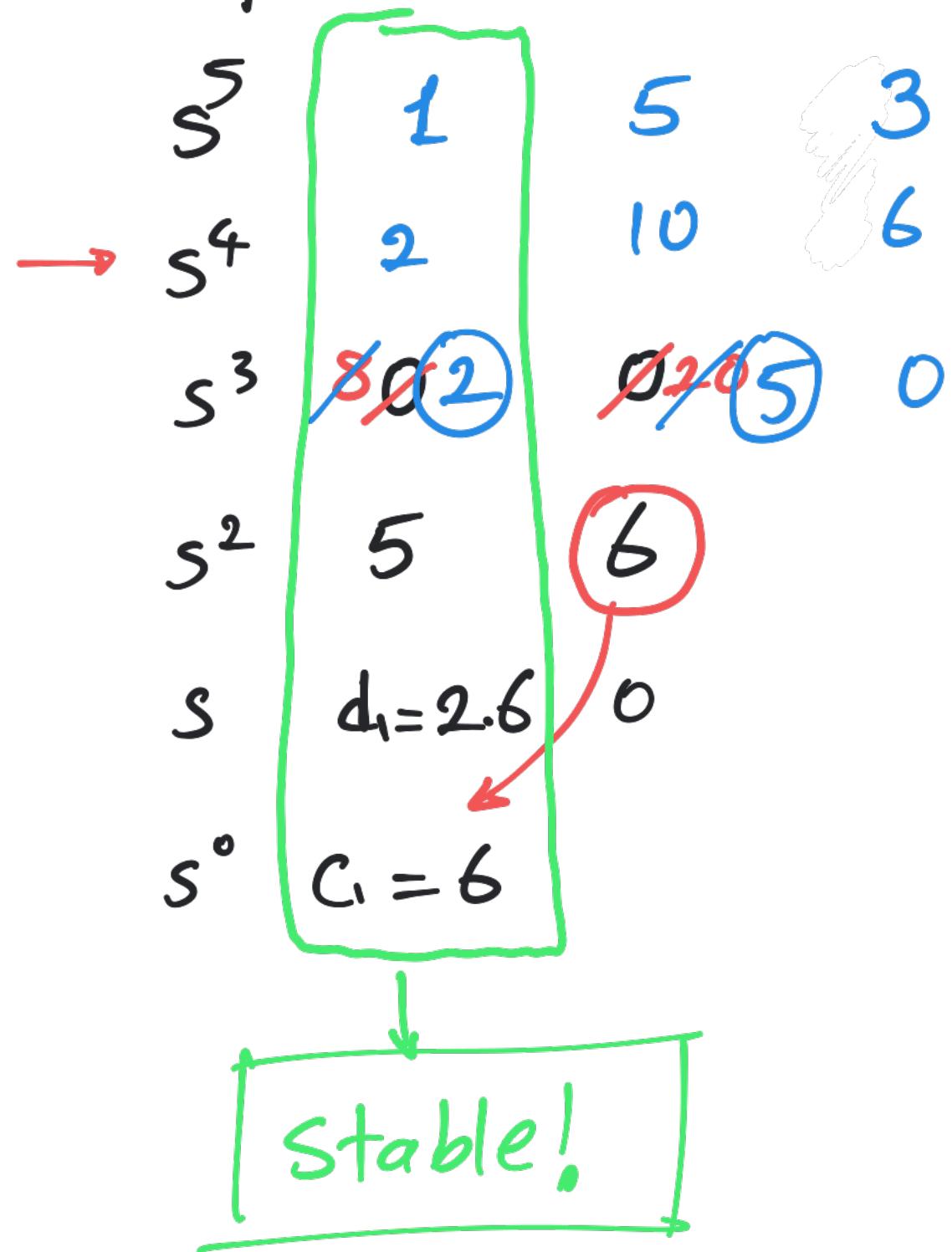
→ no sign change

↳ Stable! (marginally stable)

↳ a pair of  $\pm j\omega$  (on the imaginary axis)

B) All terms in a row are  $\equiv$

Example:  $1 \cdot s^5 + 2s^4 + 5s^3 + 10s^2 + 3s + 6 = 0$



Auxiliary polynomial:

$$P(s) : 2s^4 + 10s^2 + 6 = 0$$

$$\frac{dP(s)}{ds} = 8s^3 + 20s + 0 = 0$$

$$d_1 = \frac{(5)(5) - (2)(6)}{5} = 2 \cdot 6$$

$$c_1 = \frac{(2 \cdot 6)(6) - (5)(0)}{2 \cdot 6}$$