

Mapping Between s & z Planes

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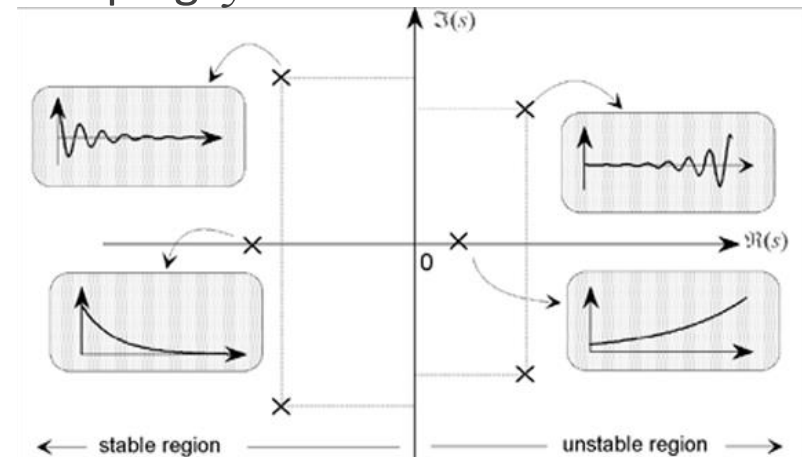
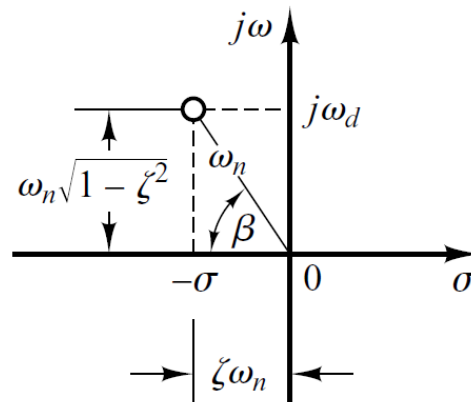
Relationship Between s & z

- Both s (in continuous-time) and z (in discrete-time) are complex variables and they share a close relationship
- As you have learnt, transient performance and stability of linear time-invariant continuous-time systems depend on the pole and zero locations in the **s plane**
- In the same notion, the transient performance and stability of linear time-invariant discrete-time systems depend on the pole and zero locations in the **z plane**
 - A key difference is that for discrete systems, the sampling period T comes into play, affecting both transient performance and stability
 - Change in sampling period modifies pole and zero locations in the z -plane and causes response behavior to change

RECAP: s Plane

- Stability boundary in the s plane is the imaginary axis. Any poles to the left of the imaginary axis is asymptotically stable.
- Horizontal lines (parallel to the real axis) are constant damped frequency ω_d
- Vertical lines (parallel to the imaginary axis) are constant settling time/time constant
- Circles about the origin are constant natural frequency ω_n
- Radial lines from the origin are constant damping ζ

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



Connecting the s and z Planes

- Consider the continuous signal: $f(t) = e^{-at}$ $t > 0$
- The LT of this signal is: $F(s) = \frac{1}{s+a}$
 - This corresponds to a pole at $s = -a$
- The zT of $f(kT)$ is $F(z) = \mathcal{Z}[e^{-akT}]$
$$F(z) = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-aT} z^{-1}} = \frac{z}{z - e^{-aT}}$$
 - This corresponds to a pole at $z = e^{-aT}$
- This means that a pole at $s = -a$ in the s-plane corresponds to a pole at $z = e^{-aT}$ in the z-plane
- Hence, combining, the relationship between the s and z plane is simply:

$$z = e^{sT}$$

T is the sampling period

Analyzing the Mapping

- Both the complex variables s and z are related via the equation:

$$z = e^{sT}$$

- The complex variable s contains a real and imaginary part:

$$s = \sigma + j\omega$$

- Combining: $z = e^{(\sigma + j\omega)T} = e^{T\sigma} e^{jT\omega}$

- Because the exponent is periodic:

$$z = e^{T\sigma} e^{jT\omega} = e^{T\sigma} e^{j(T\omega + 2\pi k)} = e^{T\sigma} e^{jT\left(\omega + \frac{2\pi}{T}k\right)} \quad k \text{ is an integer}$$

- For poles and zeros in the s plane, where frequencies differ in integral multiples of the sampling frequency $2\pi/T$, they are mapped into the **SAME** location on the z plane

- There are infinitely many values of s for each value of z

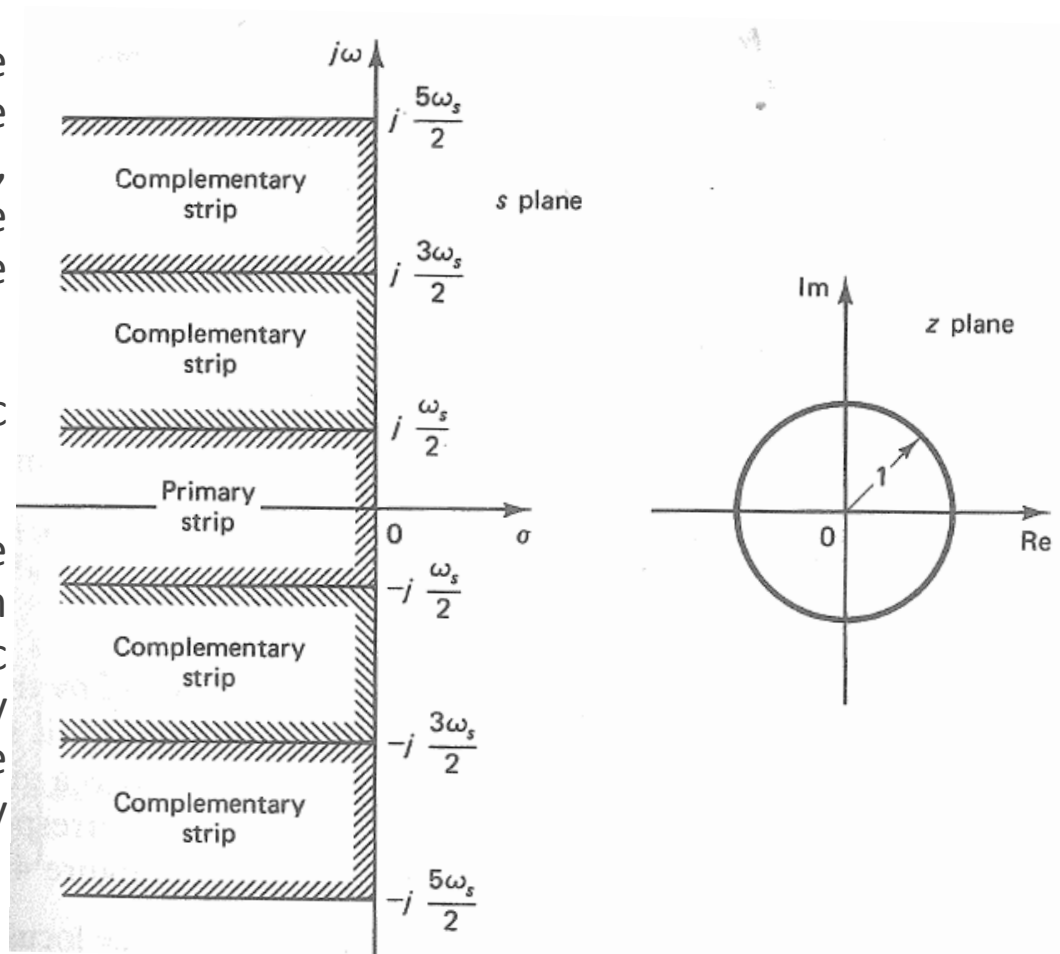
- For **STABILITY**, σ must be negative. This corresponds to:

$$|z| = e^{T\sigma} < 1$$

- The $j\omega$ axis in the s plane corresponds to $|z|=1$. That is, the imaginary axis in the s plane corresponds to the unit circle in the z plane and the **INTERIOR** of the unit circle corresponds to the **LEFT HALF PLANE** of the s plane.

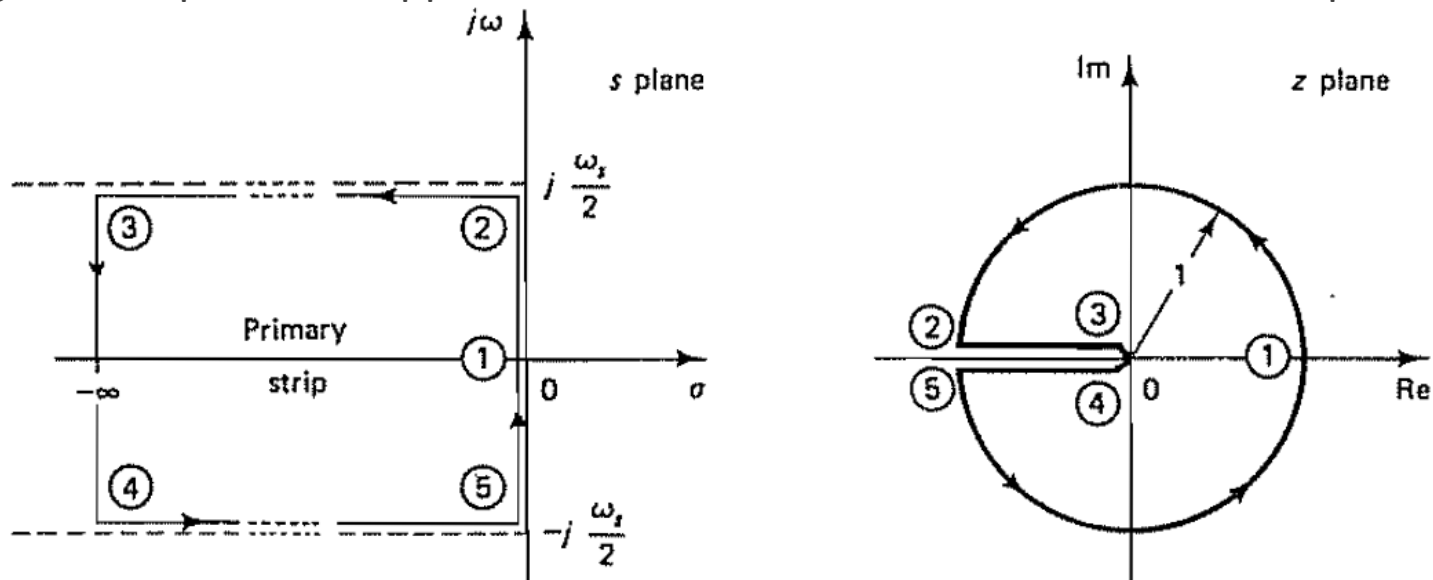
Correspondence Between s & z Planes

- Starting from the origin of the s-plane, as you travel along the imaginary axis on the s-plane, you will be tracing a unit circle on the z-plane an infinite number of times
- This motion will be periodic with frequency ω_s
- Hence the left half plane of the s-plane may be divided into an infinite number of periodic strips. There is a primary (main) strip and infinite number of complementary strips



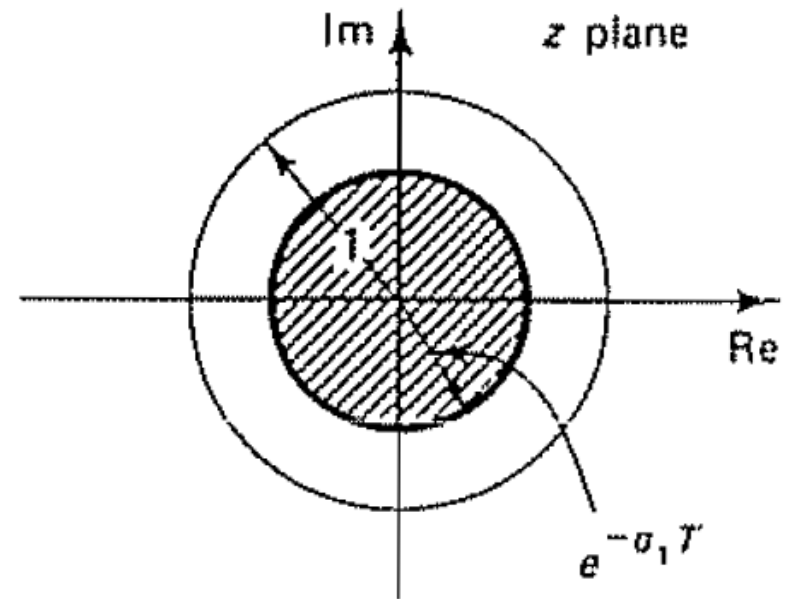
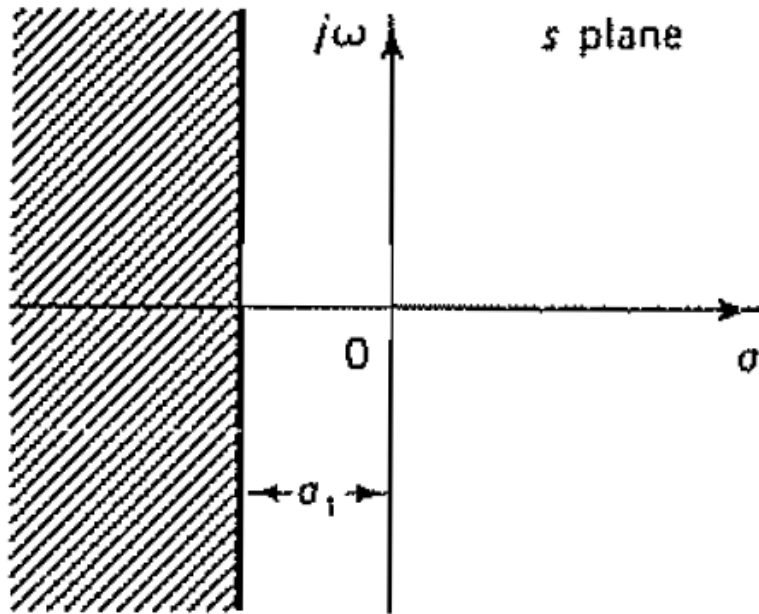
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- In the primary strip, if you trace the sequence of points 1→2→3→4→5→1 in the s-plane, this path is mapped into the unit circle centered at the origin of the z-plane
- The area enclosed by any complementary strips is mapped to the same unit circle in the z-plane. A point in the z plane corresponds to an infinite number of points in the s-plane, although a point in the s-plane corresponds to a single point in the z-plane
- Left half s-plane is mapped entirely into the interior of the z-plane and the right half s-plane is mapped into the exterior of the unit circle in the z-plane



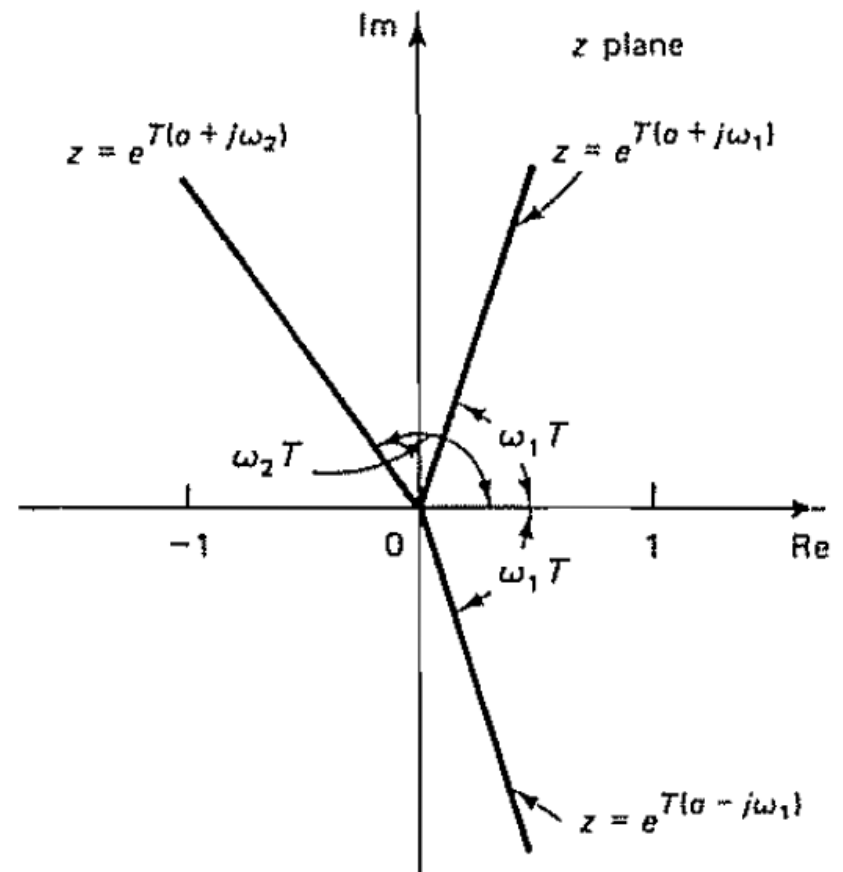
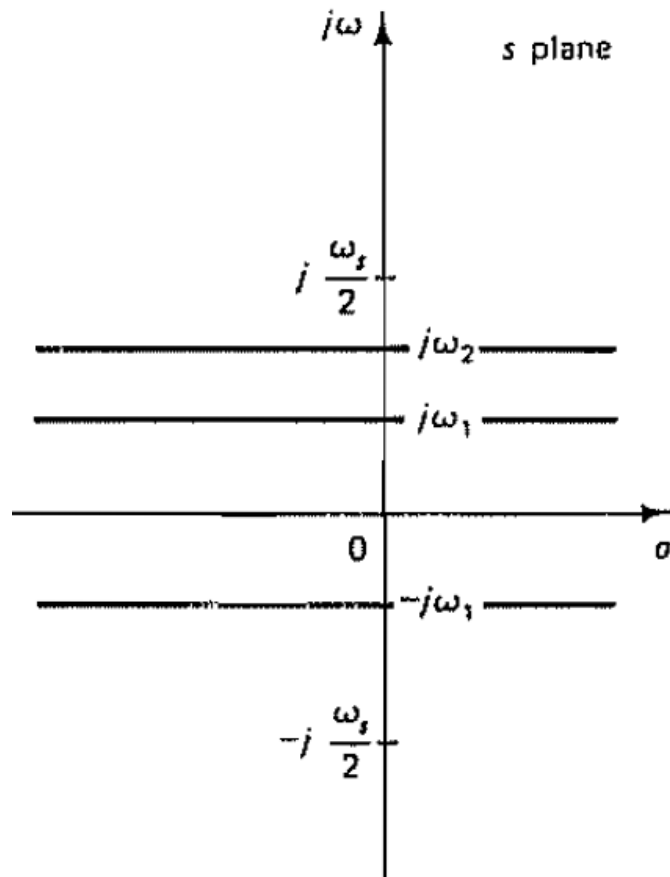
Mapping of Contours

- Constant settling time (less than $4/\sigma_1$)



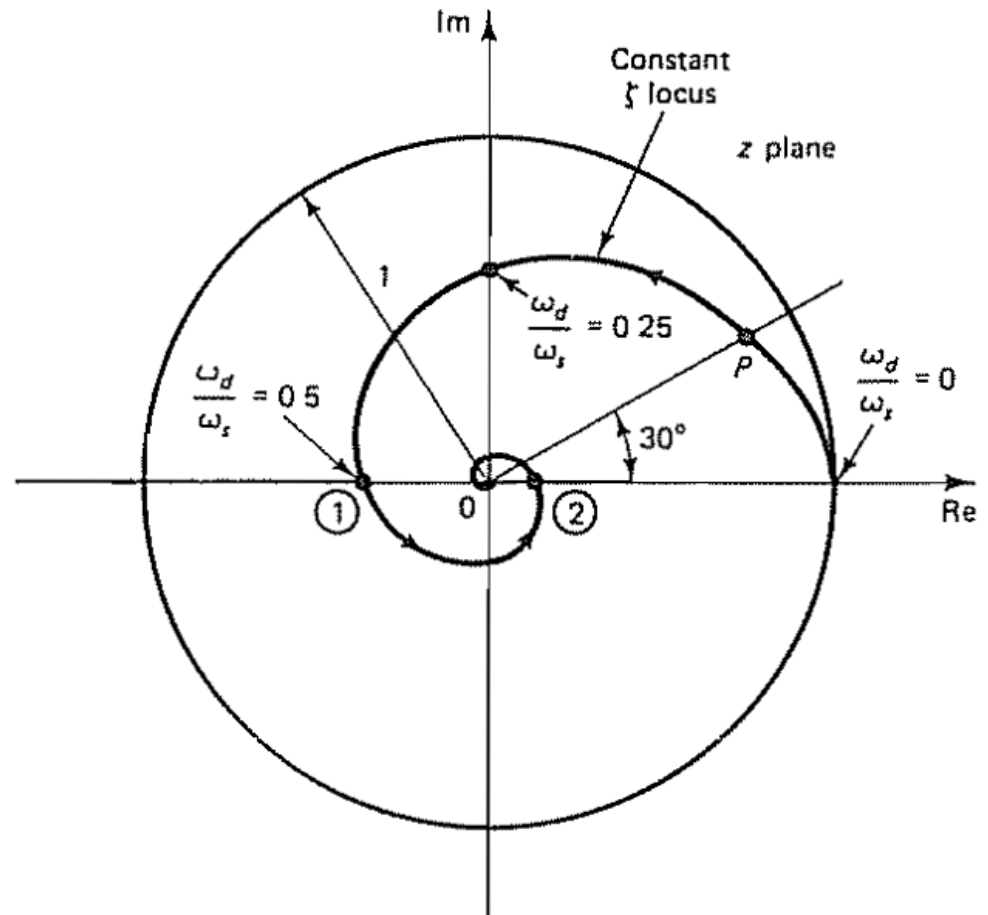
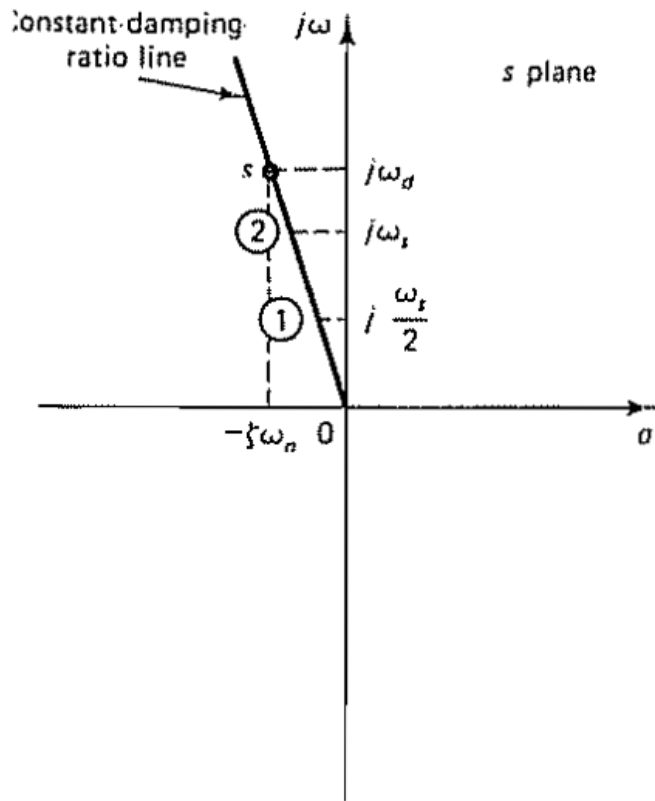
Mapping of Contours

- Constant (damped) frequency



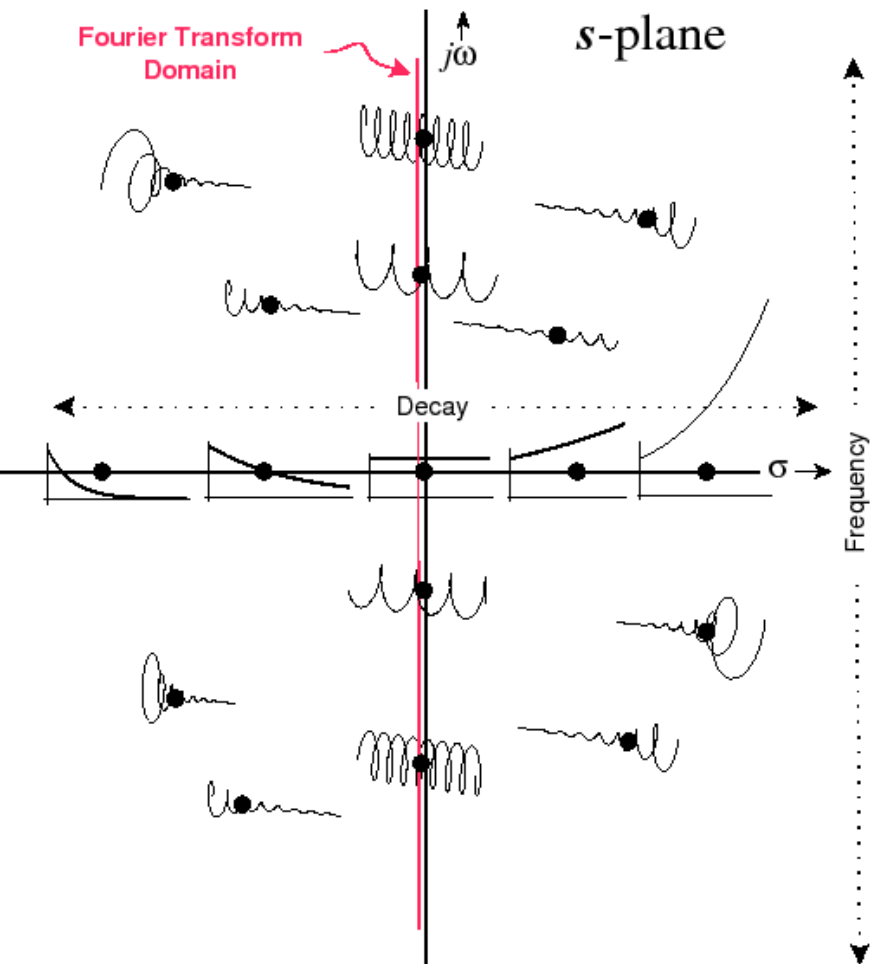
Mapping of Contours

- Constant damping ratio



Visual Comparison

Domain of Laplace transforms



Domain of z -transforms

