

# Modeling and dynamical systems

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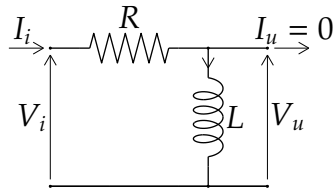
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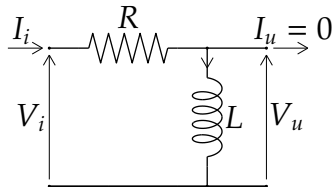
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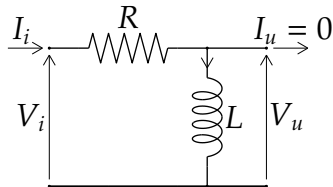
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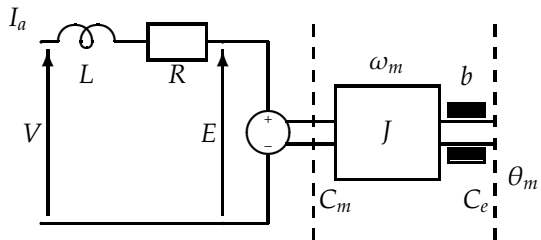
By setting  $x(t) = I_i(t)$  (state variable),  $u(t) = V_i(t)$  (input variable) and  $y(t) = I_i(t)$  (output variable), the following dynamical model (ODE) *in the state-space* can be derived

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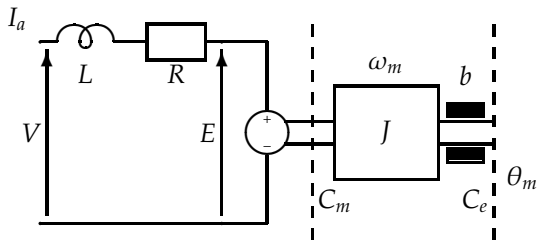




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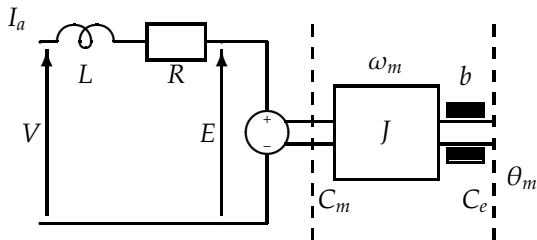


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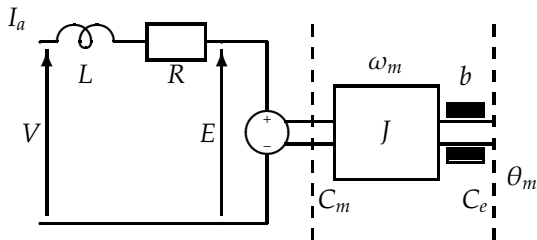
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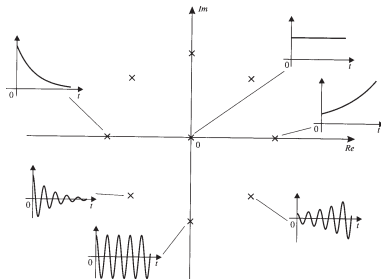
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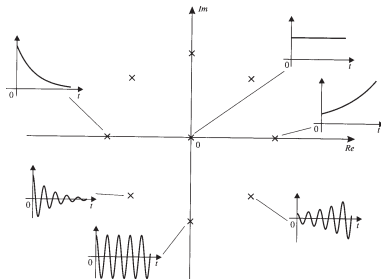
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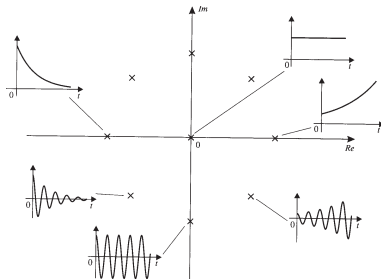
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Since the system is linear, the *superposition principle holds*.



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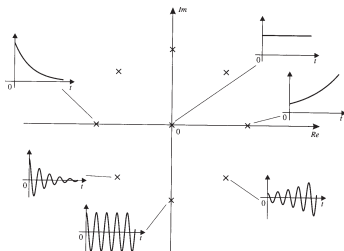
$$\dot{x} = Ax \quad (2)$$

is asymptotically stable (solutions converge to the origin) if and only if the eigenvalues of  $A$  lie in the left half-plane .

The position of the eigenvalues affect the behavior of the system.

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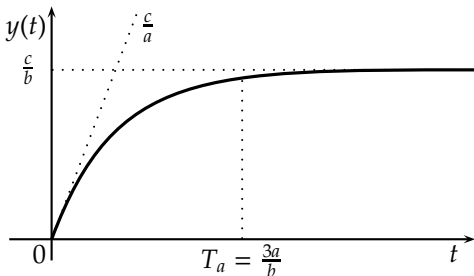
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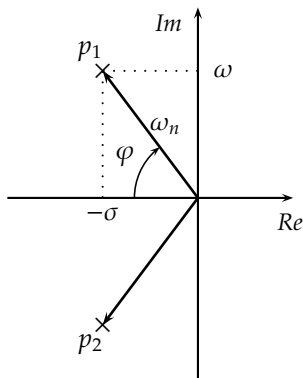
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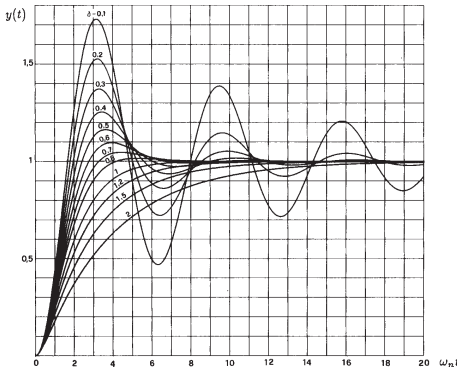
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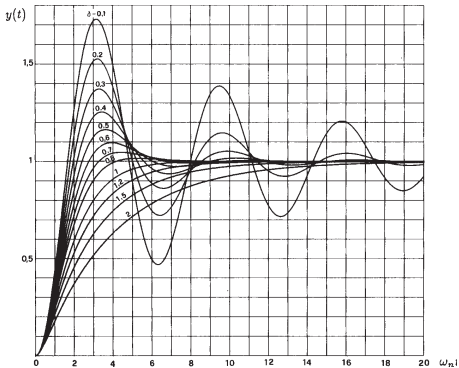
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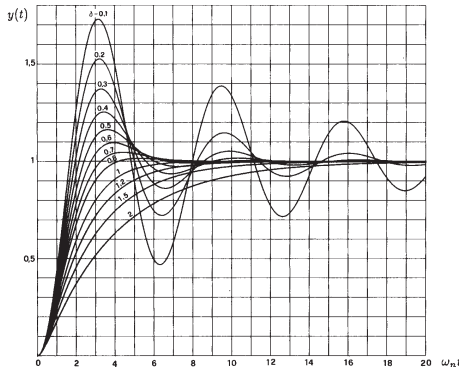
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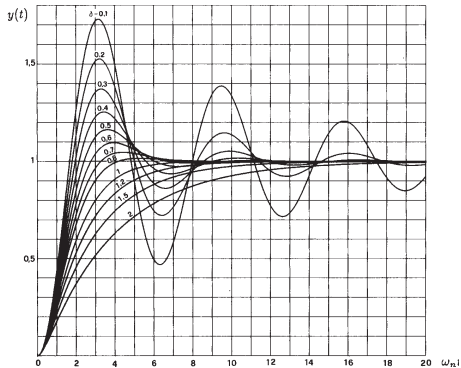
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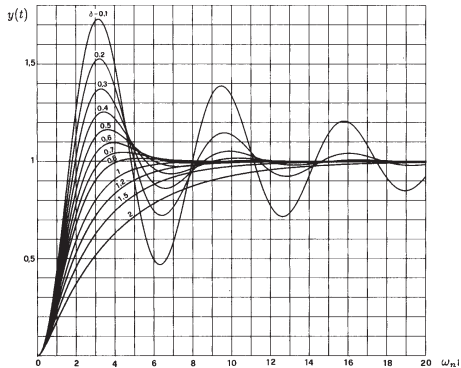
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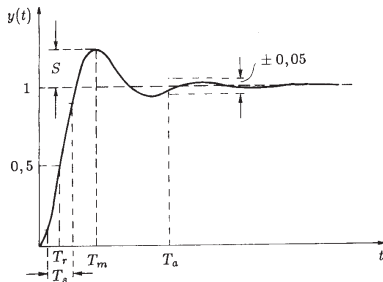
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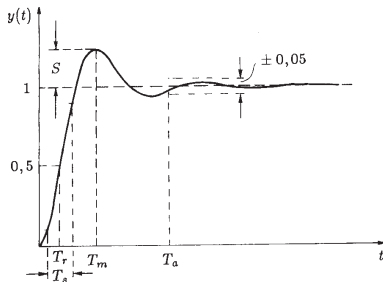
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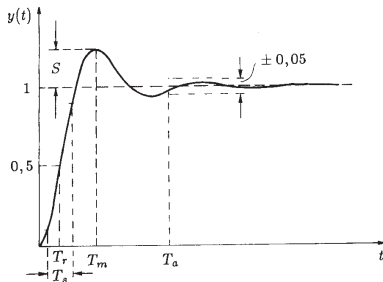
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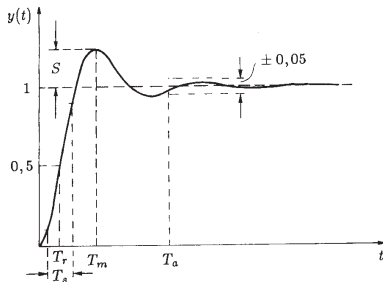
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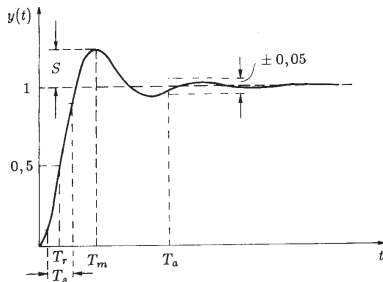
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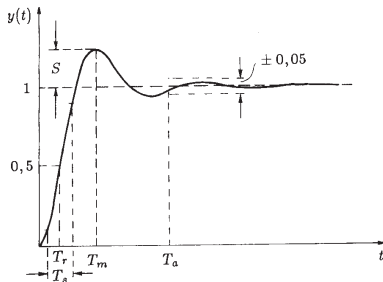




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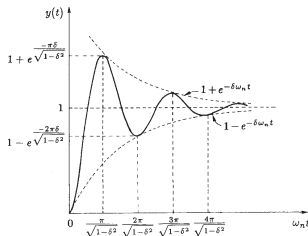
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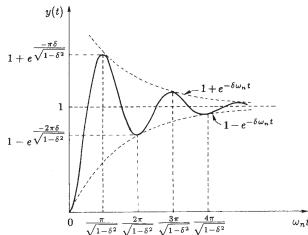


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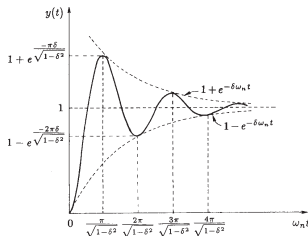


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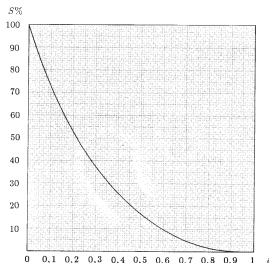
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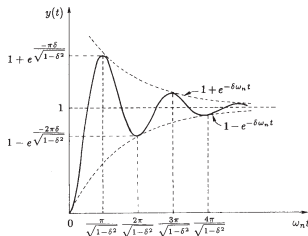
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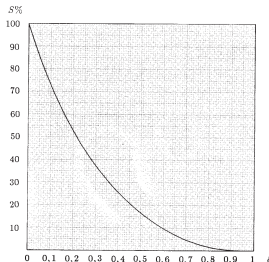
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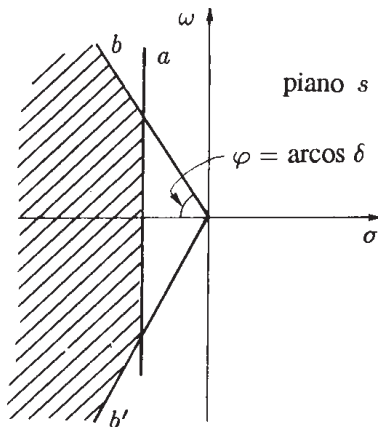
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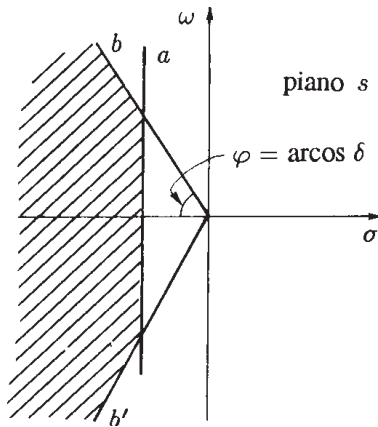


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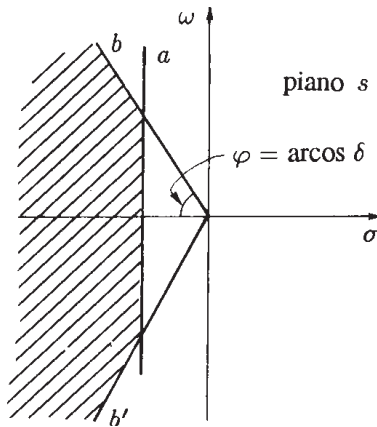




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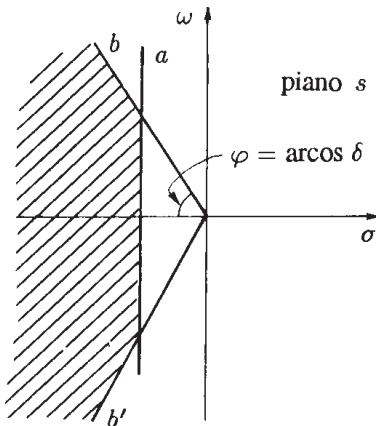
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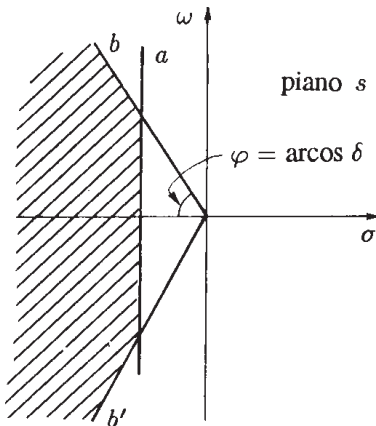
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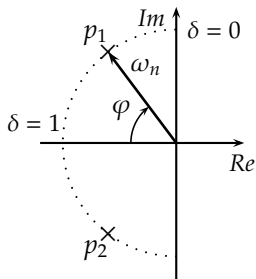
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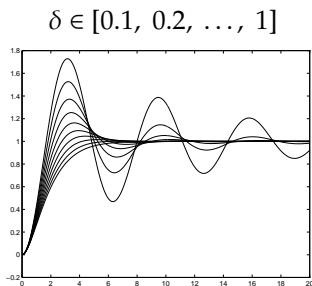
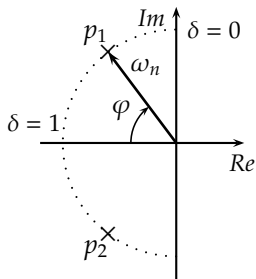
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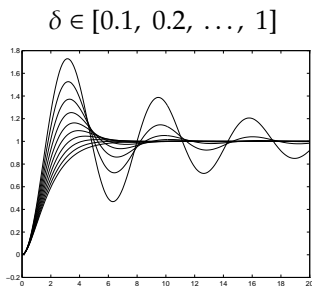
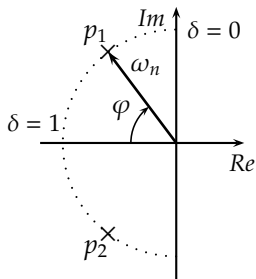
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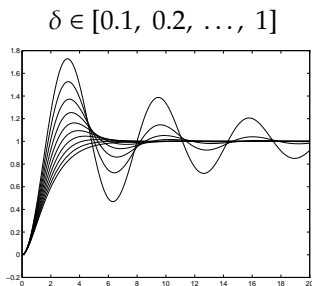
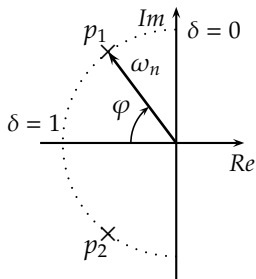
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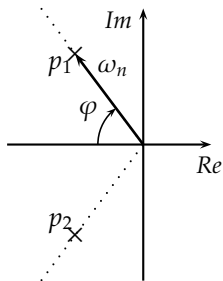
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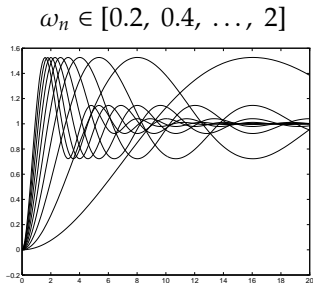
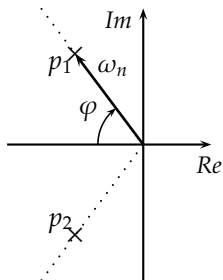


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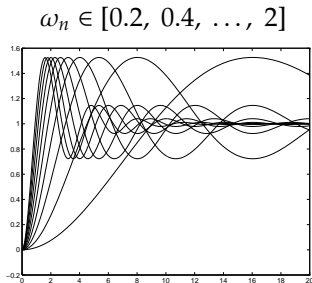
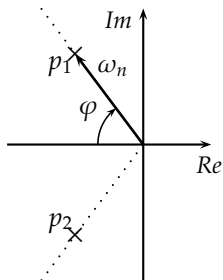


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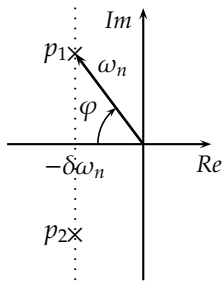
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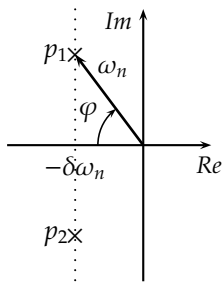
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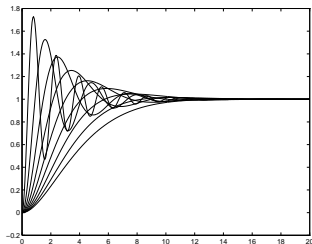
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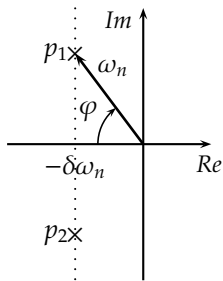
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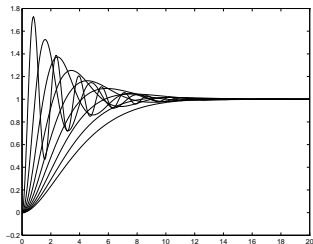
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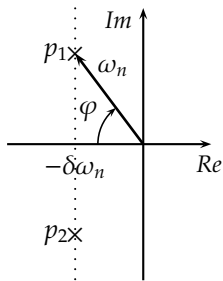


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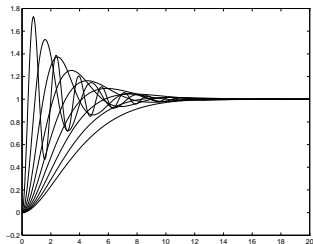
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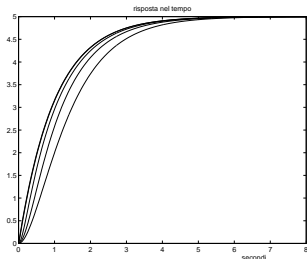
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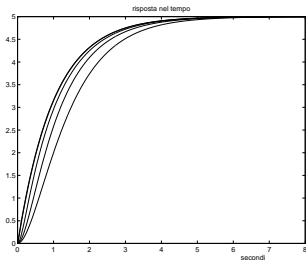
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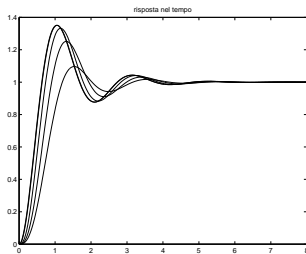
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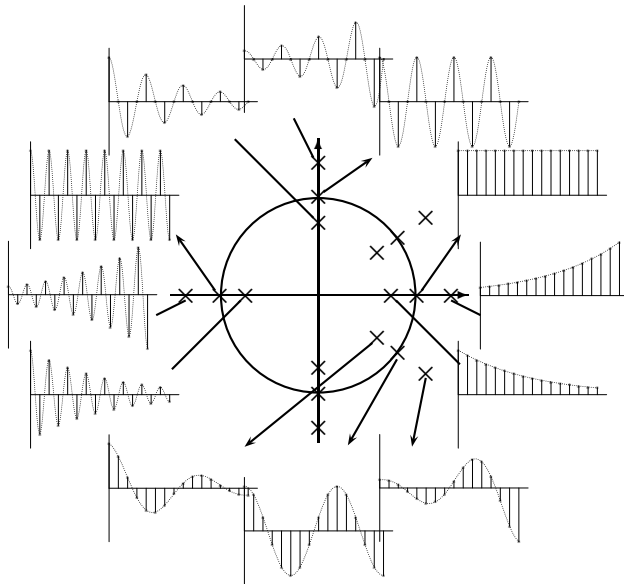
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