

# EE16B

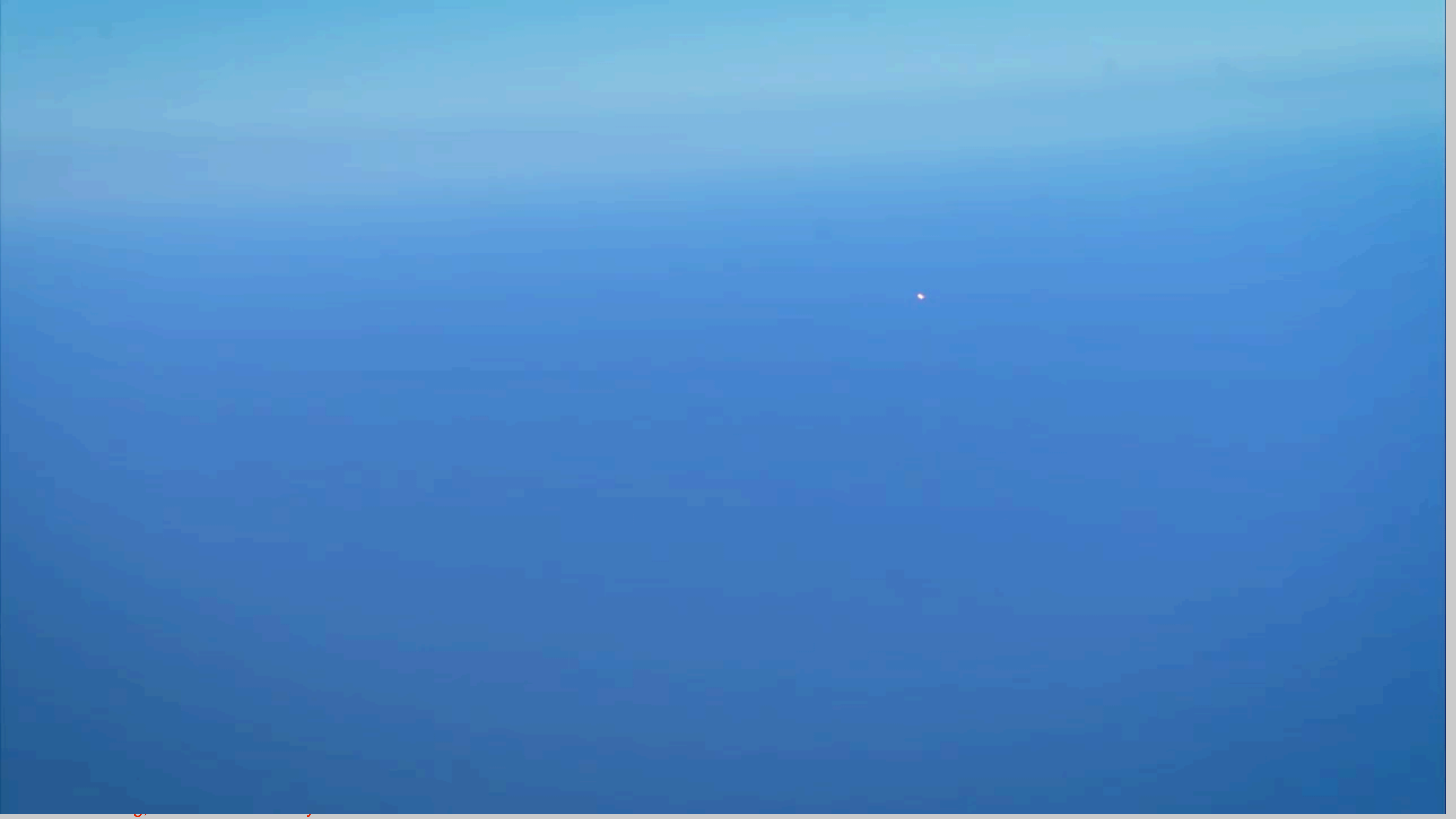
# Designing Information Devices and Systems II

Lecture 6B  
Cont. stability of Linear State Models  
Controllability

# Today

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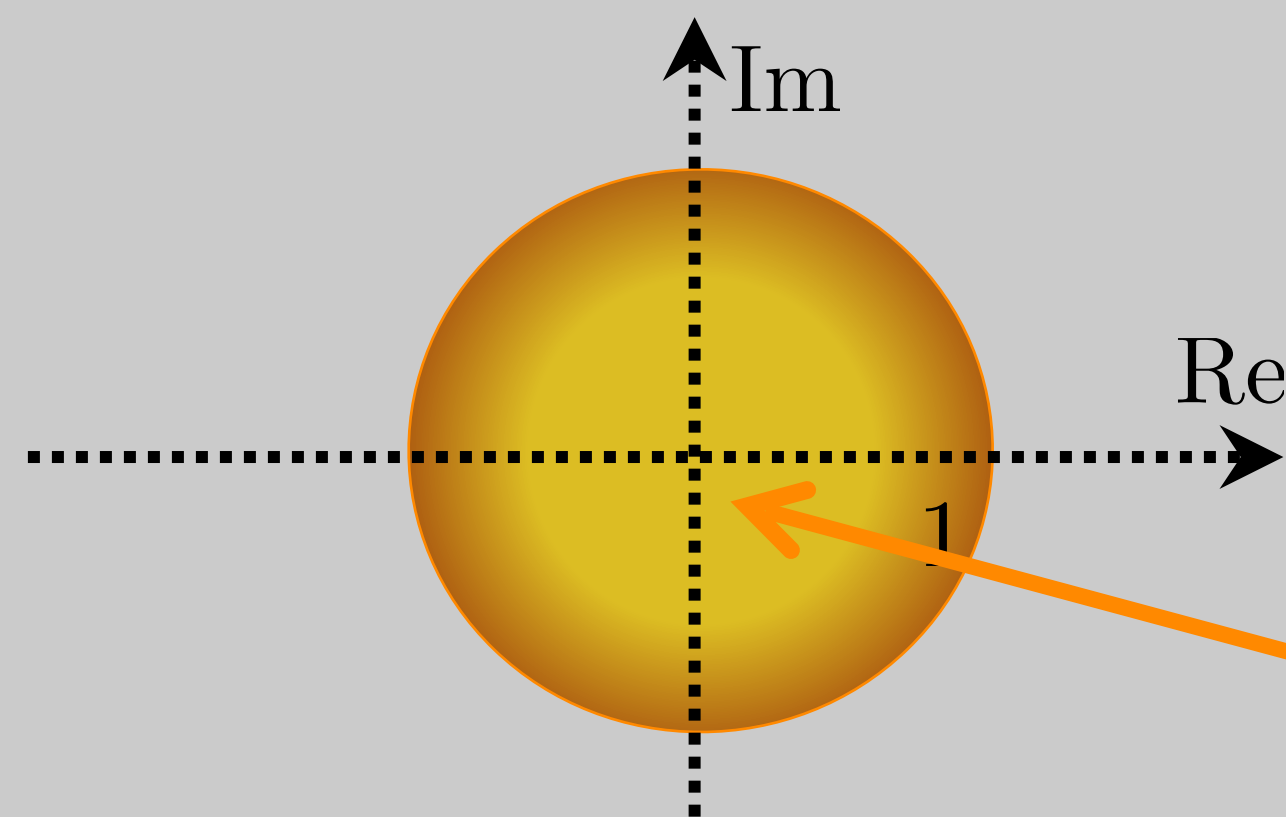
- Last time:
  - Derived stability conditions for disc. and cont. systems
  - Easy to analyze using eigenvalues
- Today:
  - Eigenvalues can predict system behaviour
    - Envelope (decay) and Oscillation (frequency)
  - Controllability of systems



# Stability -- Summary

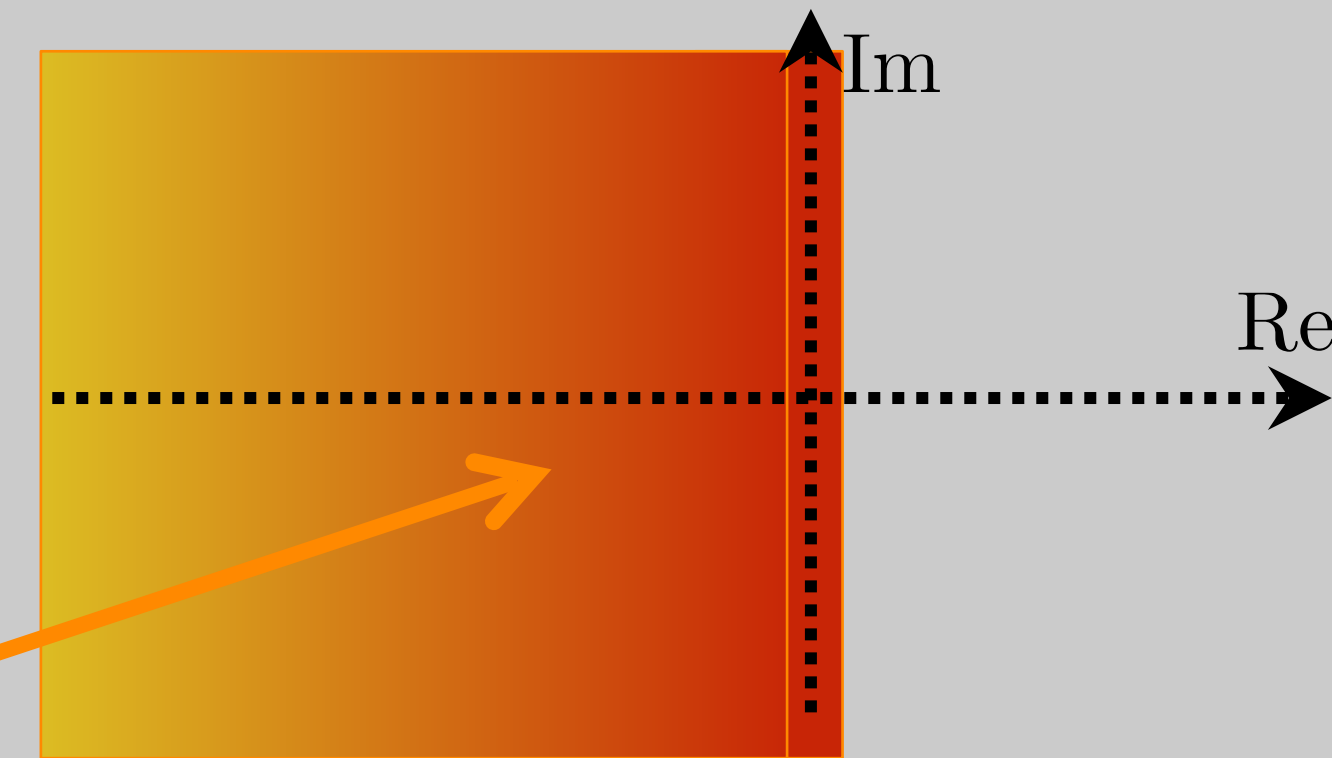
Discrete-Time

$$|\lambda_i(A)| < 1$$



Continuous-Time

$$\text{Real}\{\lambda_i(A)\} < 0$$



Stable regions

Stay away from boundaries! System uncertainty can  
Move you over to unstable region

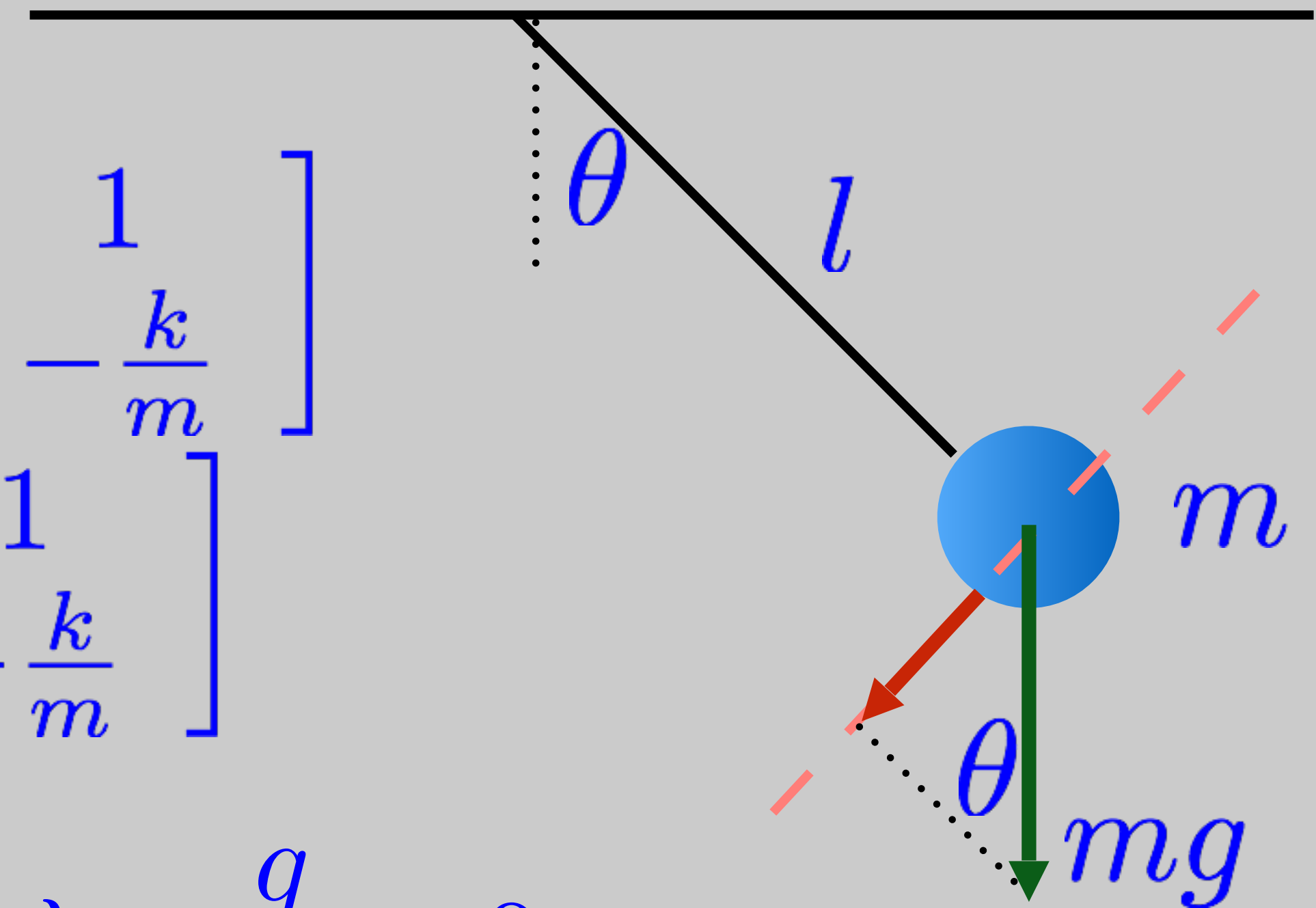
# Back to the Pendulum

$$A_{\text{down}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g}{l} & -\frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{\text{up}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \frac{g}{l} & -\frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|\lambda I - A_{\text{down}}| = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ \frac{g}{l} & \lambda + \frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 + \frac{k}{m}\lambda + \frac{g}{l} = 0$$

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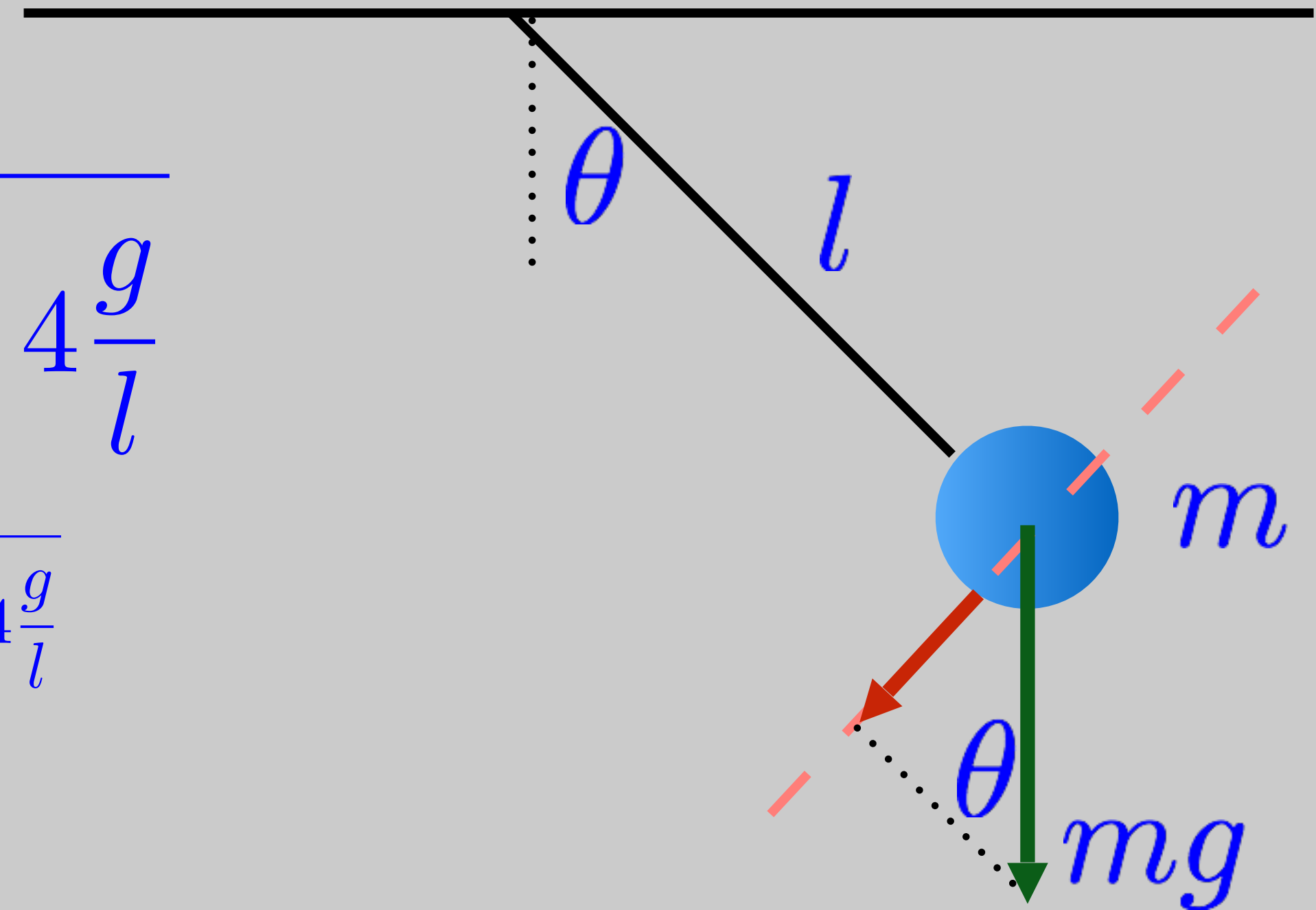
$$\lambda_{1,2} = -\frac{k}{2m} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{k^2}{m^2} - 4\frac{g}{l}}$$

If  $\frac{k^2}{m^2} \geq 4\frac{g}{l}$ , i.e, sqrt is real, then  $\frac{k}{2m} \geq \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{k^2}{m^2} - 4\frac{g}{l}}$

So,  $\lambda_{1,2}$  always negative -- stable!

If  $\frac{k^2}{m^2} < 4\frac{g}{l}$ , i.e, sqrt is imaginary, then  $\text{Re}\{\lambda_{1,2}\} = -\frac{k}{2m}$

So,  $\text{Re}\{\lambda_{1,2}\}$  always negative -- stable!



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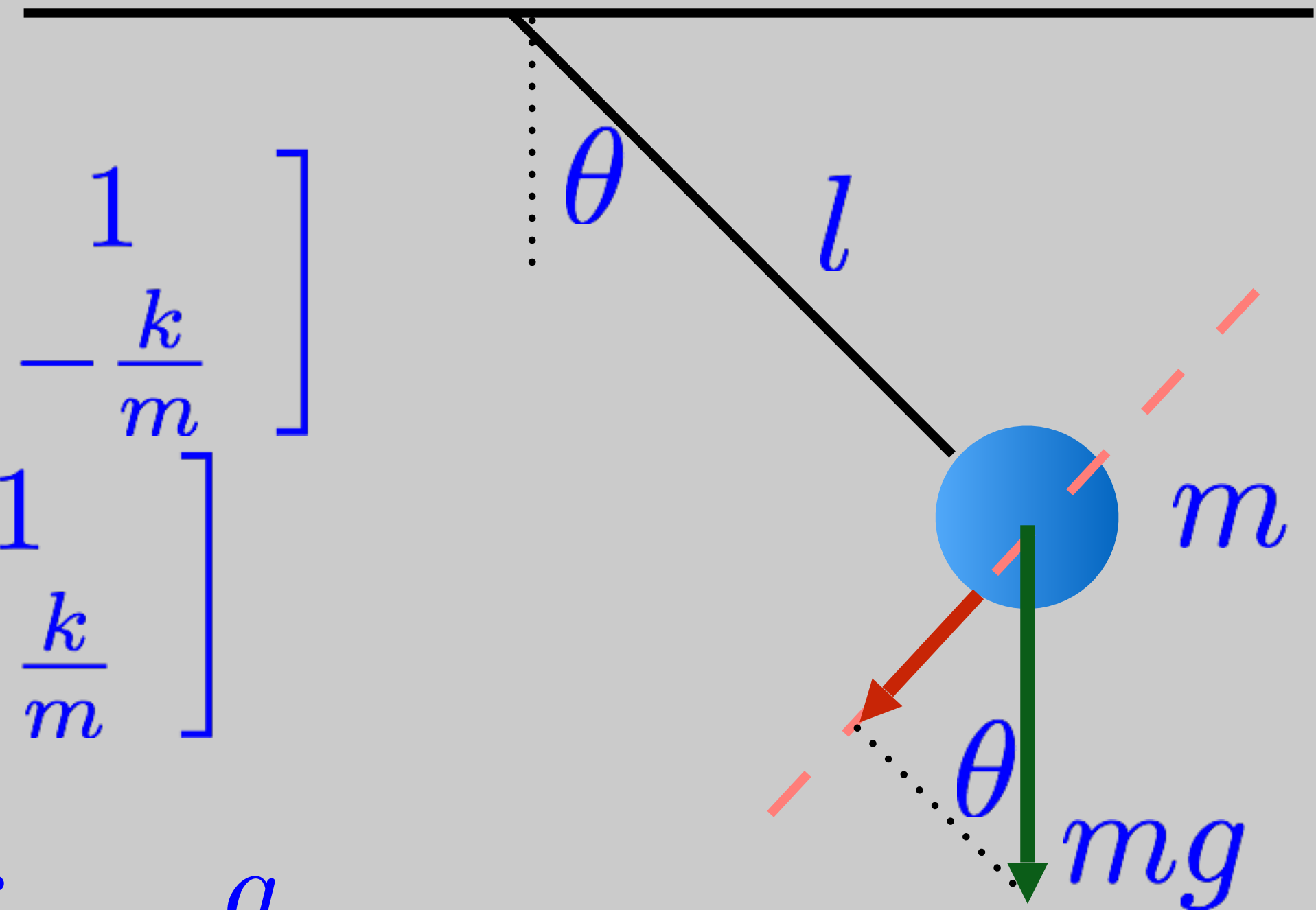
$$A_{\text{up}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \frac{g}{l} & -\frac{k}{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

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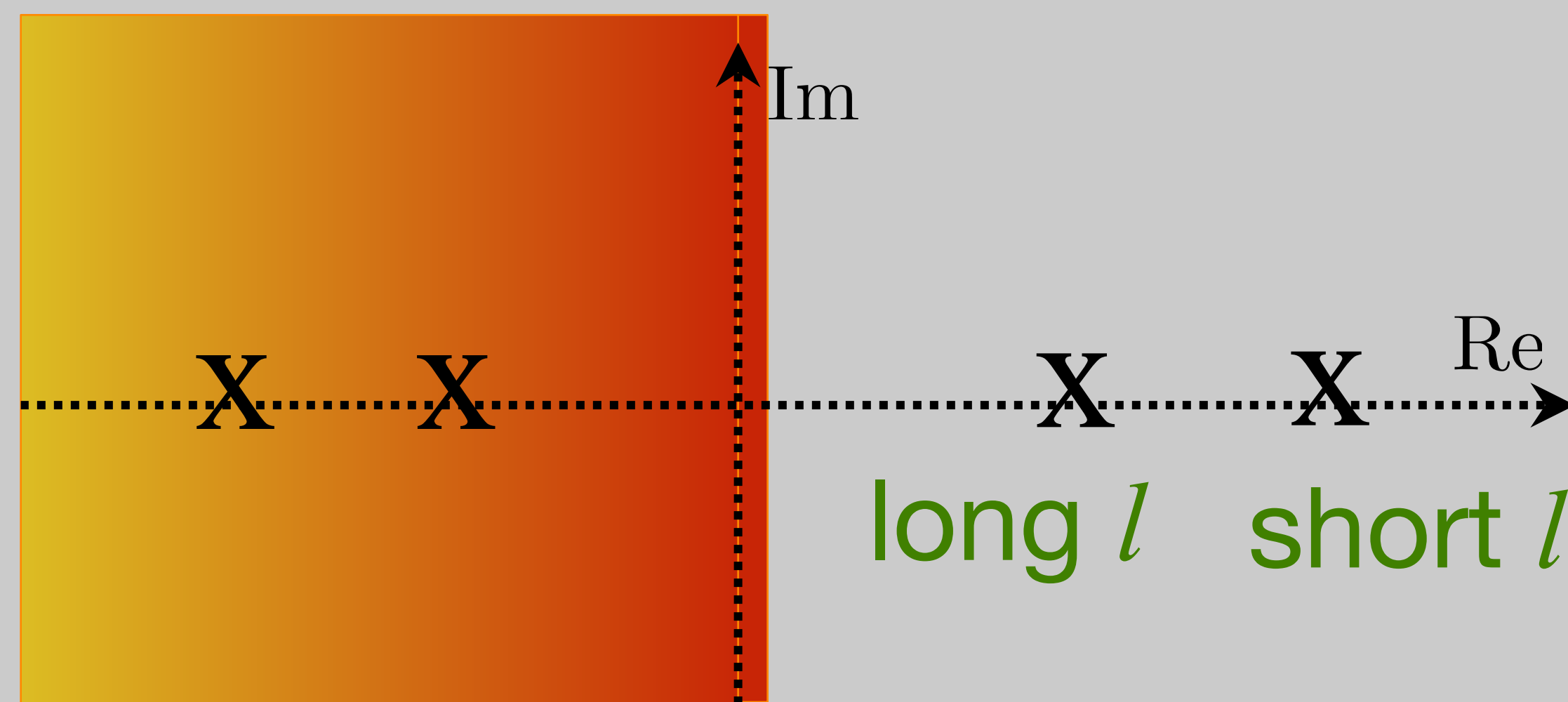
$$\lambda_1 > 0$$

$$\lambda_2 < 0$$

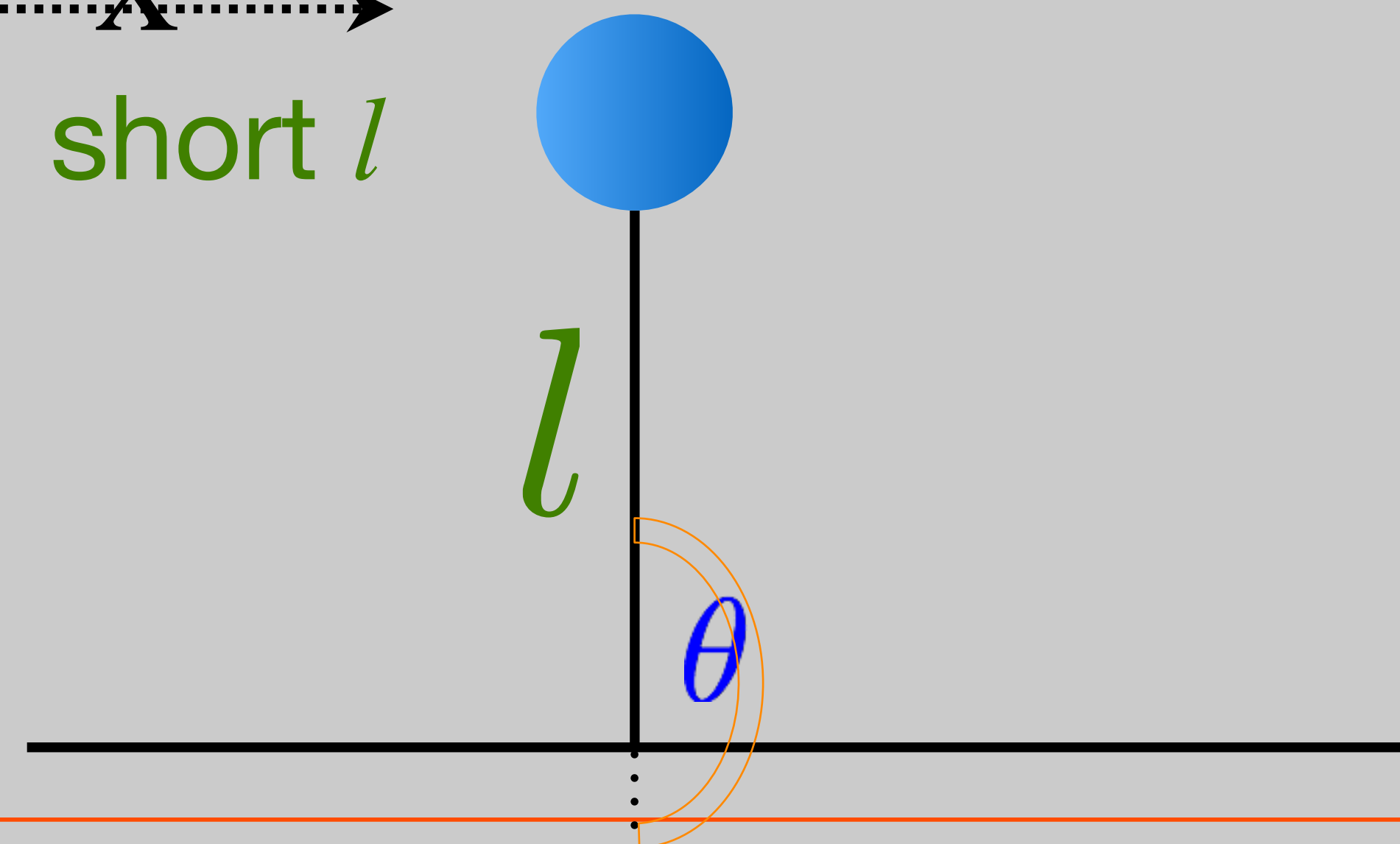


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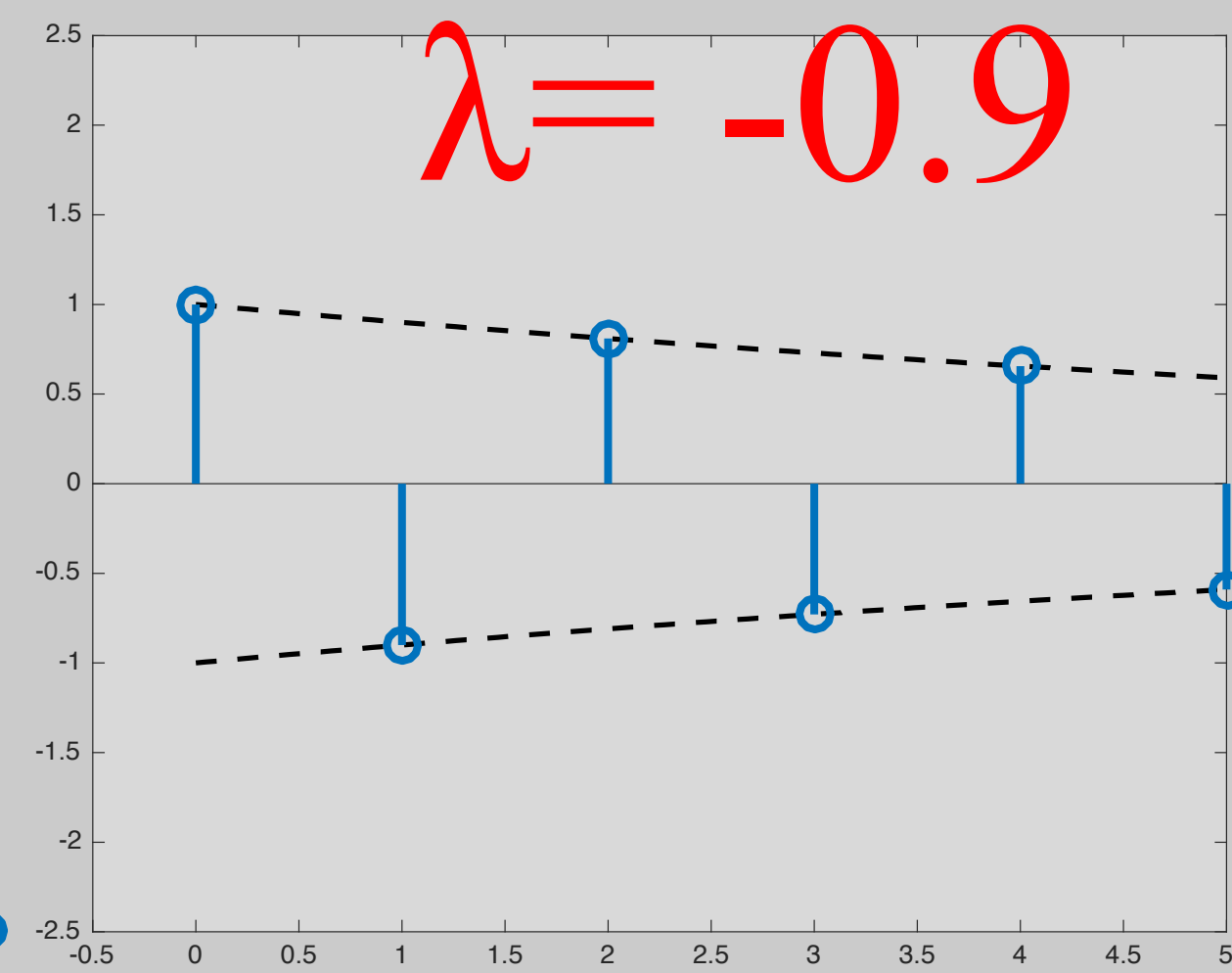
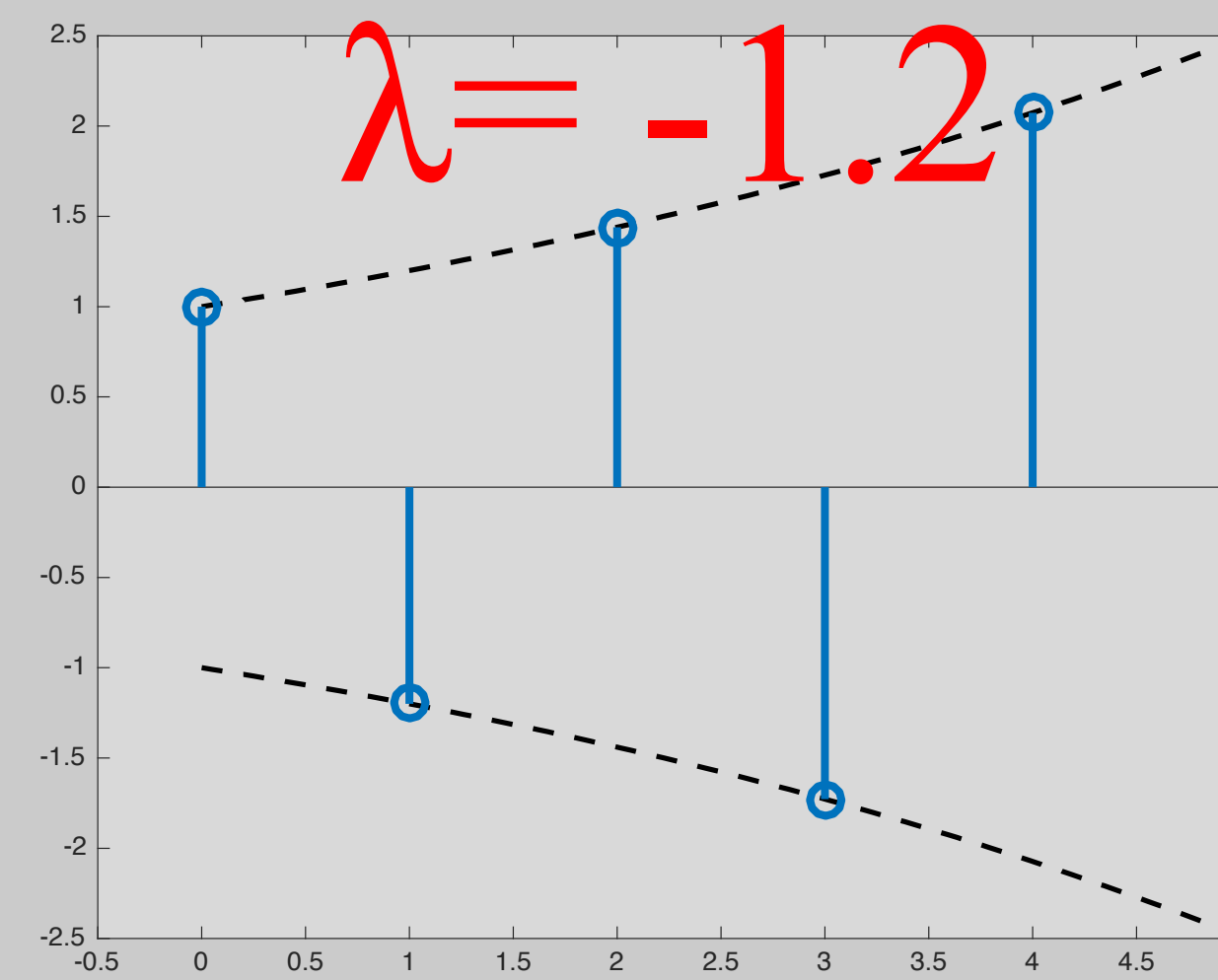
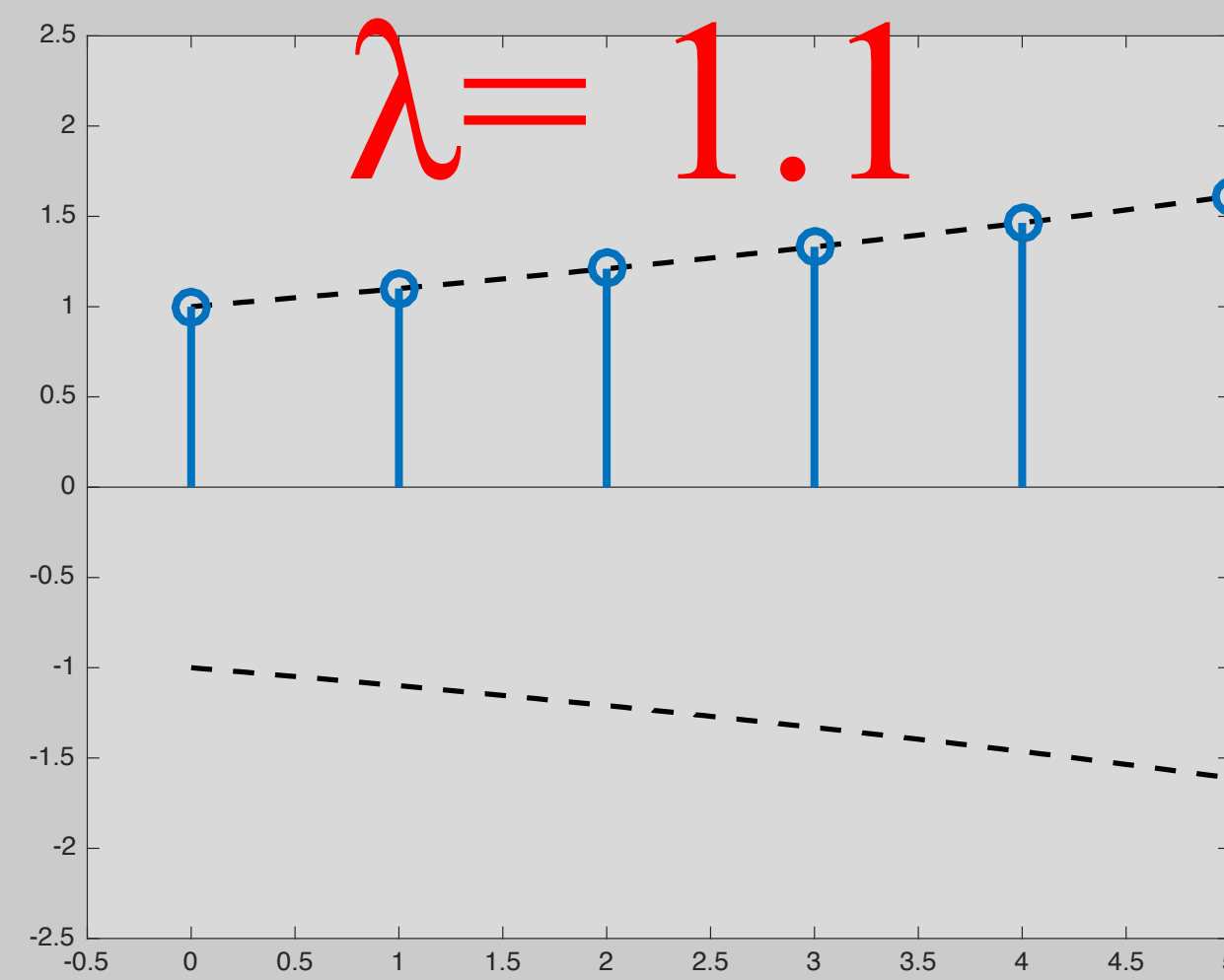
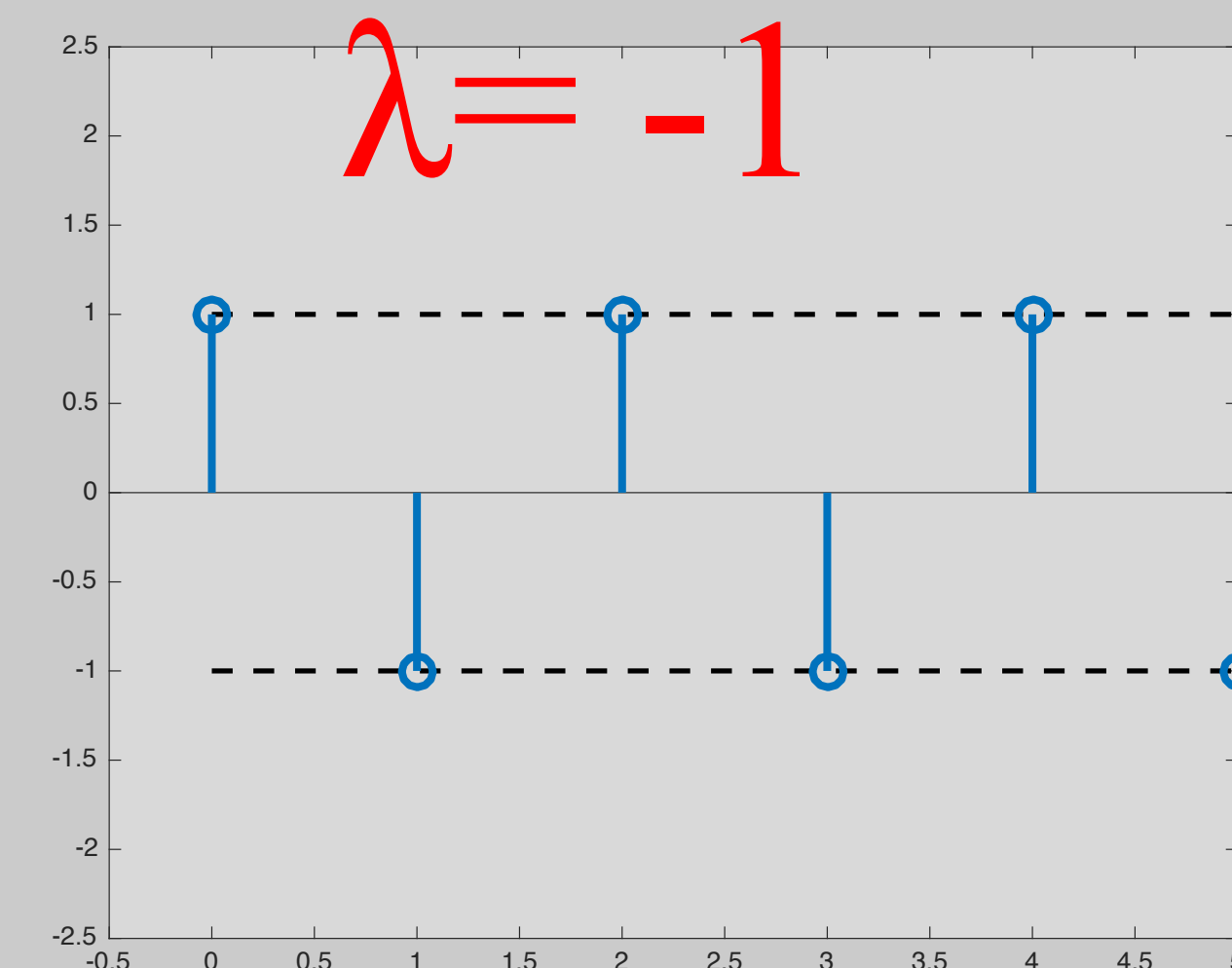
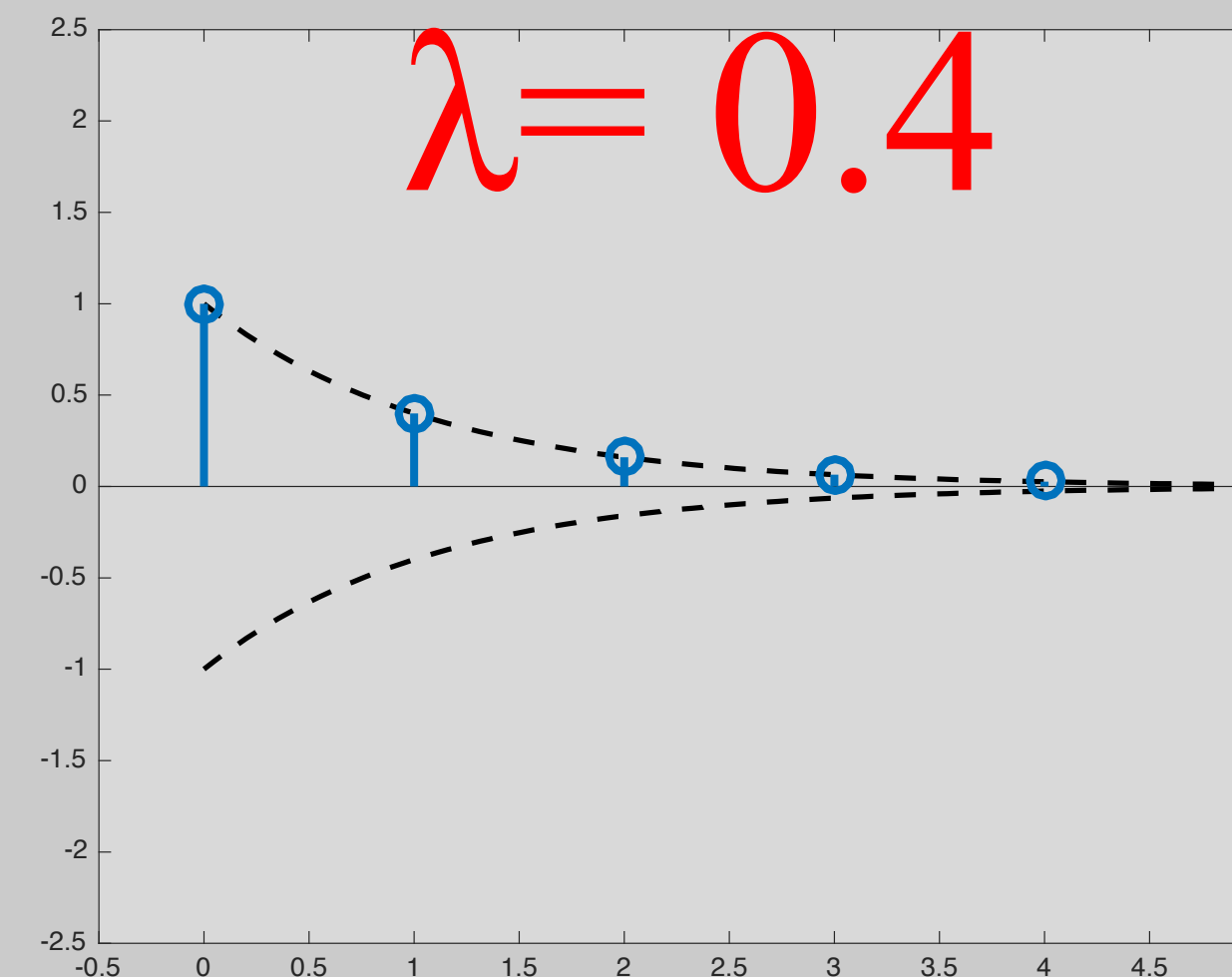
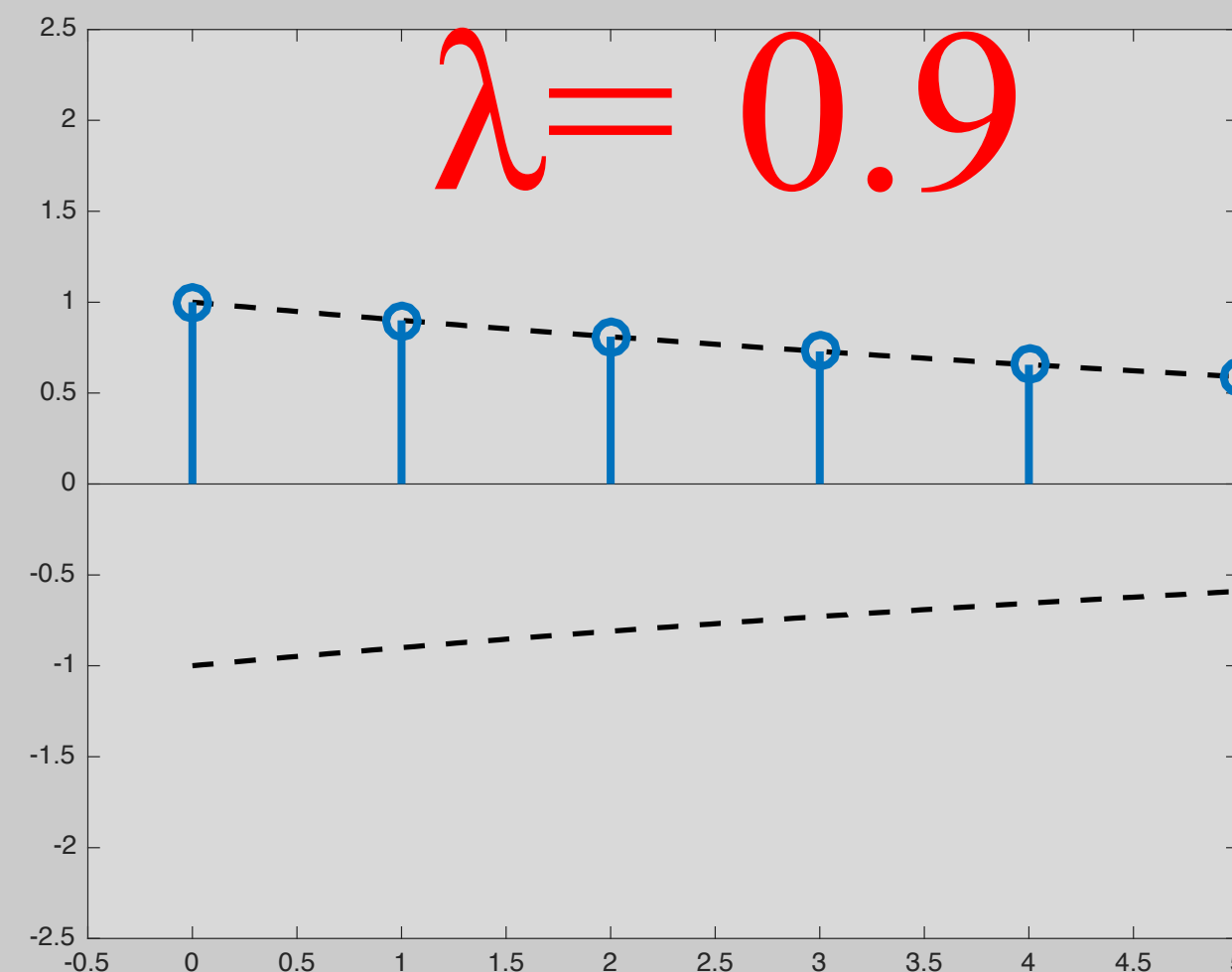
# Predicting System Behavior

## Discrete Time

$$\lambda^t$$

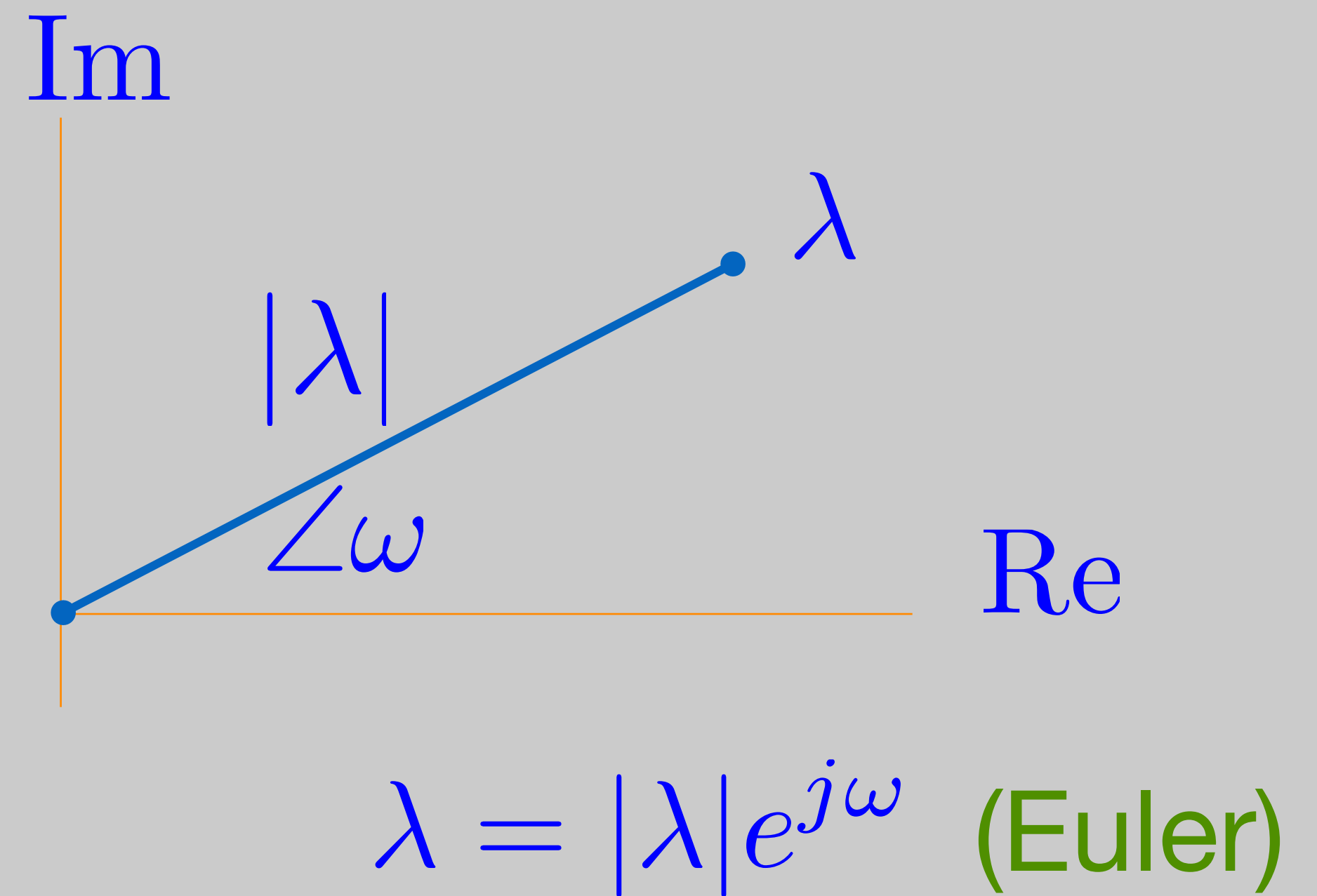
$$z(t+1) = \lambda_i z(t)$$

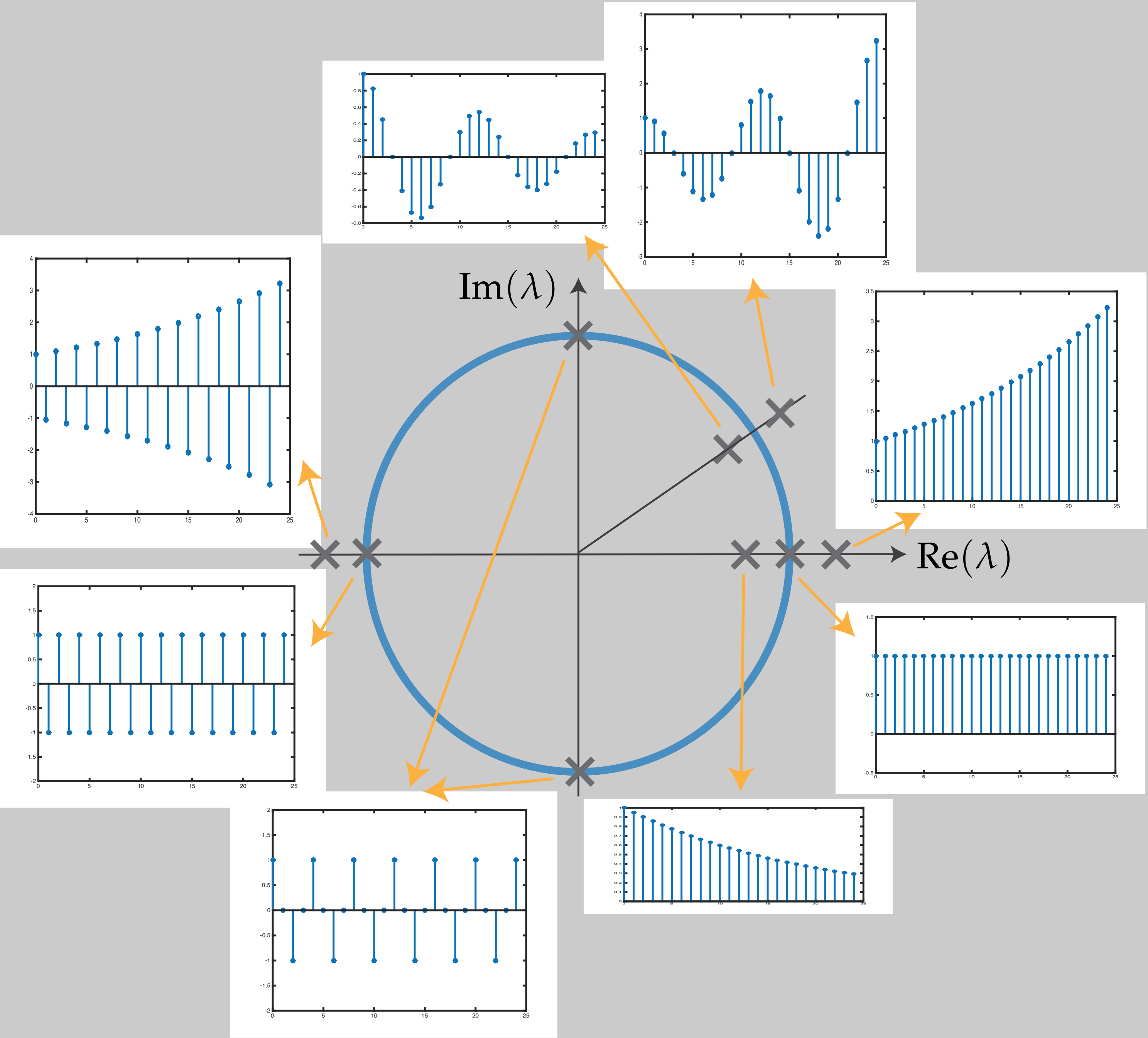
$$\text{Soln : } \lambda_i^t z(0)$$



- If  $\lambda$  is complex

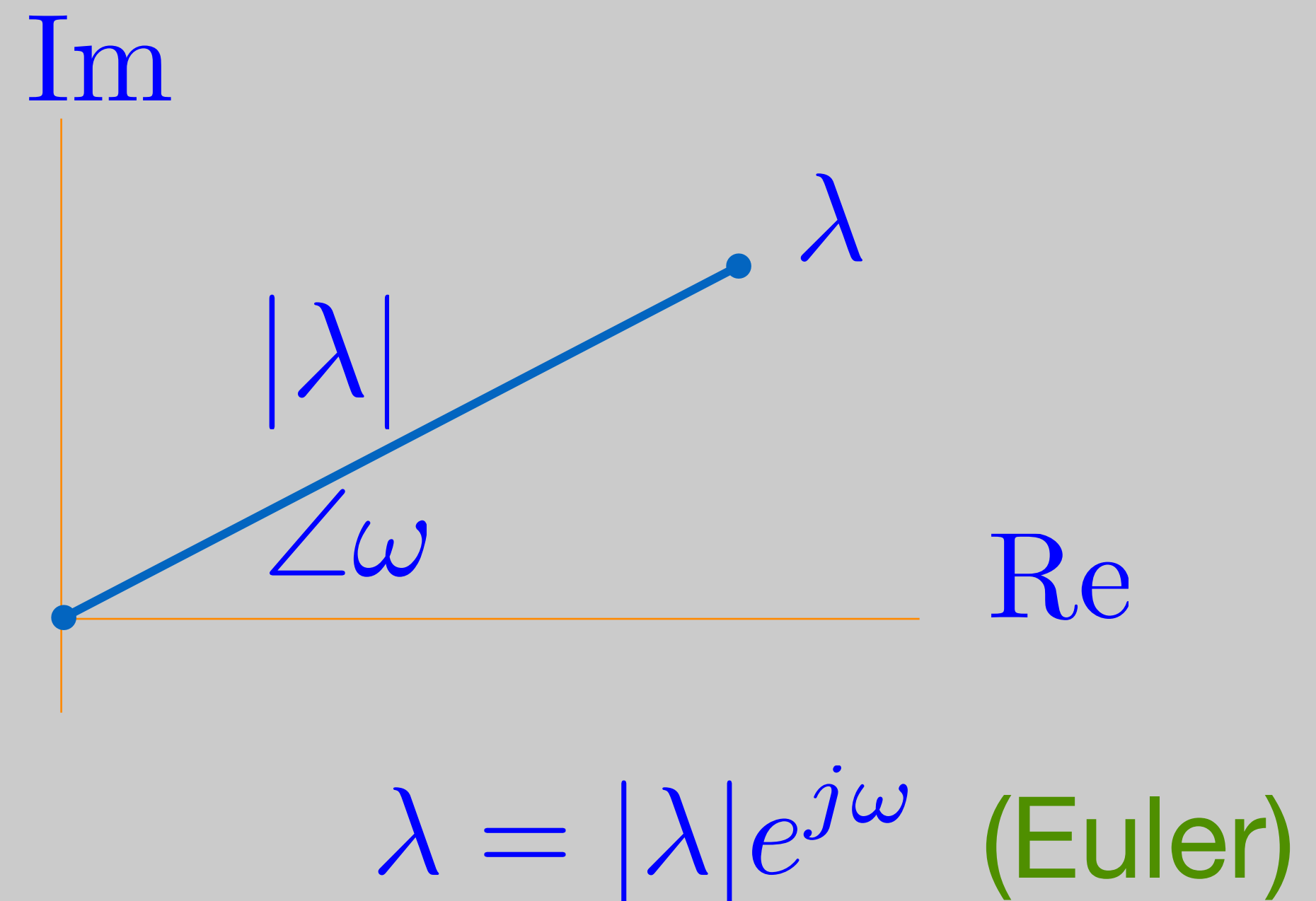
$$\begin{aligned}\lambda^t &= (|\lambda|e^{j\omega})^t \\ &= |\lambda|^t e^{j\omega t}\end{aligned}$$





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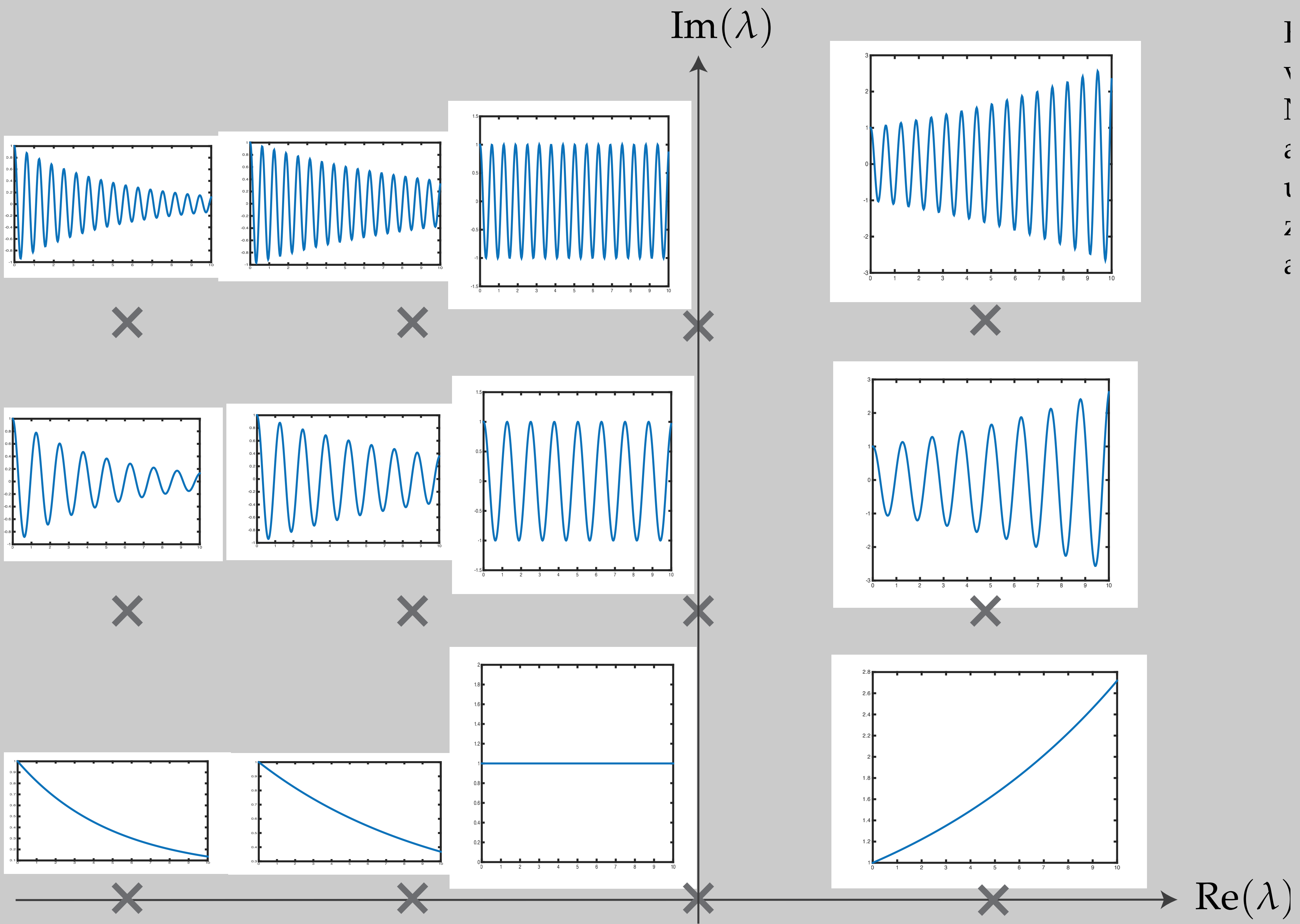
- Continuous time:

$$\frac{d}{dt}Z_i(t) = \lambda_i Z_i(t) \Rightarrow e^{\lambda_i t} Z_i(0)$$

Q) What does  $e^{\lambda t}$  look like for different choices of  $\lambda$ ?

A)  $\lambda = v + j\omega \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^{\lambda t} = e^{vt} e^{j\omega t}$

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# Example

# Big Picture

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- State space modeling is powerful
- Linear state-space are awesome
  - We can say a lot about them!
  - We can approximate non-linear as linear at equilibrium points
- What can we say about linear systems?
  - We can tell if they are stable – we have a test!
  - We can can predict system behaviour for initial conditions!
- What about controls?
  - Can test if the system can be controlled to reach all states (controllability)
  - We can control a system to move to a certain state (open loop)
  - We can control a system to stay around a state (feedback)

# Controllability

Discrete-time:  $\vec{x}(t+1) = A\vec{x}(t) + Bu(t)$

# From last time:

$$\vec{x}(t) = A^t \vec{x}(0) + \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} A^{t-1-k} B u(k)$$

$$= A^t \vec{x}(0) + A^{t-1} Bu(0) + A^{t-2} Bu(1) + \cdots + Bu(t-1)$$

$$\vec{x}(t) - A^t \vec{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} & \\ & \\ & \\ ? & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u(0) \\ u(1) \\ \vdots \\ u(t-1) \end{bmatrix}$$



# Controllability

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$$\vec{x}(t) - A^t \vec{x}(0) = A^{t-1} B u(0) + A^{t-2} B u(1) + \cdots + B u(t-1)$$

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$$\vec{x}(t) - A^t \vec{x}(0) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A^{t-1} B & A^{t-2} B & \cdots & AB & B \end{bmatrix}}_{R_t} \begin{bmatrix} u(0) \\ u(1) \\ \vdots \\ u(t-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

Q) Given any  $x(0)$ , can we find  $u(t)$  s.t.  $x(t) = x_{\text{target}}$  for some  $t$ ?

A) Depends if it is in the span of  $R_t$

# Controllability

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$$R_t = \begin{bmatrix} A^{t-1}B & A^{t-2}B & \cdots & AB & B \end{bmatrix}$$

Q) For  $t < n$  ?    A) No

Q) At  $t=n$ , If columns are independent?    A) Absolutely!

Q) If not independent, does increasing  $t$  helps?    A) No!

Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: If  $A$  is  $n \times n$ , then  $A^n$  can be written as a linear combination of  $A^{n-1}, \dots, A, 1$

$$A^n = \alpha_{n-1}A^{n-1} + \cdots + \alpha_1 A + \alpha_0 1$$

So does: 
$$A^n B = \alpha_{n-1}A^{n-1}B + \cdots + \alpha_1 AB + \alpha_0 B$$


# Controllability

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$$R_n = \begin{bmatrix} A^{n-1}B & A^{n-2}B & \cdots & AB & B \end{bmatrix}$$

What about  $R_{n+1}$ ?

$$R_{n+1} = \begin{bmatrix} A^n B & A^{n-1}B & A^{n-2}B & \cdots & AB & B \end{bmatrix}$$


$$A^n B = \alpha_{n-1} A^{n-1} B + \cdots + \alpha_1 AB + \alpha_0 B$$

# Controllability Test

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If  $R_t$  doesn't have  $n$  independent columns at  $t=n$ , it never will for  $t > n$  either!

Therefore, we need only to examine  $R_n$  for controllability:

$$R_n = \begin{bmatrix} A^{n-1}B & A^{n-2}B & \cdots & AB & B \end{bmatrix}$$

Conclusion:  $\vec{x}(t+1) = A\vec{x}(t) + Bu(t)$

is controllable if and only if

$$\text{rank}\{R_n\} = n$$

# Example 1:

$$\vec{x}(t+1) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_A \vec{x}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_B u(t)$$

$$R_2 = [AB \ B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 = [A^2B \ AB \ B] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rank  $\{R_2\} = 1, < n=2 \Rightarrow$  Not controllable!

State equations:  $x_1(t+1) = x_1(t) + x_2(t) + u(t)$

$$x_2(t+1) = 2x_2(t) \text{ (not stable)}$$

Can not control  $x_2$ , not with  $u$  and not with  $x_1$

## Example 2:

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$$p(t+1) = p(t) + Tv(t) + \frac{1}{2}T^2u(t)$$

$$v(t+1) = v(t) + Tu(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} p(t+1) \\ v(t+1) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & T \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} p(t) \\ v(t) \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}T^2 \\ T \end{bmatrix}}_B u(t)$$

$$R_2 = [AB \quad B] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{2}T^2 & \frac{1}{2}T^2 \\ T & T \end{bmatrix}$$

Rank = 2  $\Rightarrow$  Controllable!

# Continuous Time (no derivation here)

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- The continuous-time system

$$\frac{d}{dt}\vec{x}(t) = A\vec{x}(t) + Bu(t)$$

is controllable if and only if

$$R_n = \begin{bmatrix} A^{n-1}B & A^{n-2}B & \cdots & AB & B \end{bmatrix}$$

has rank = n

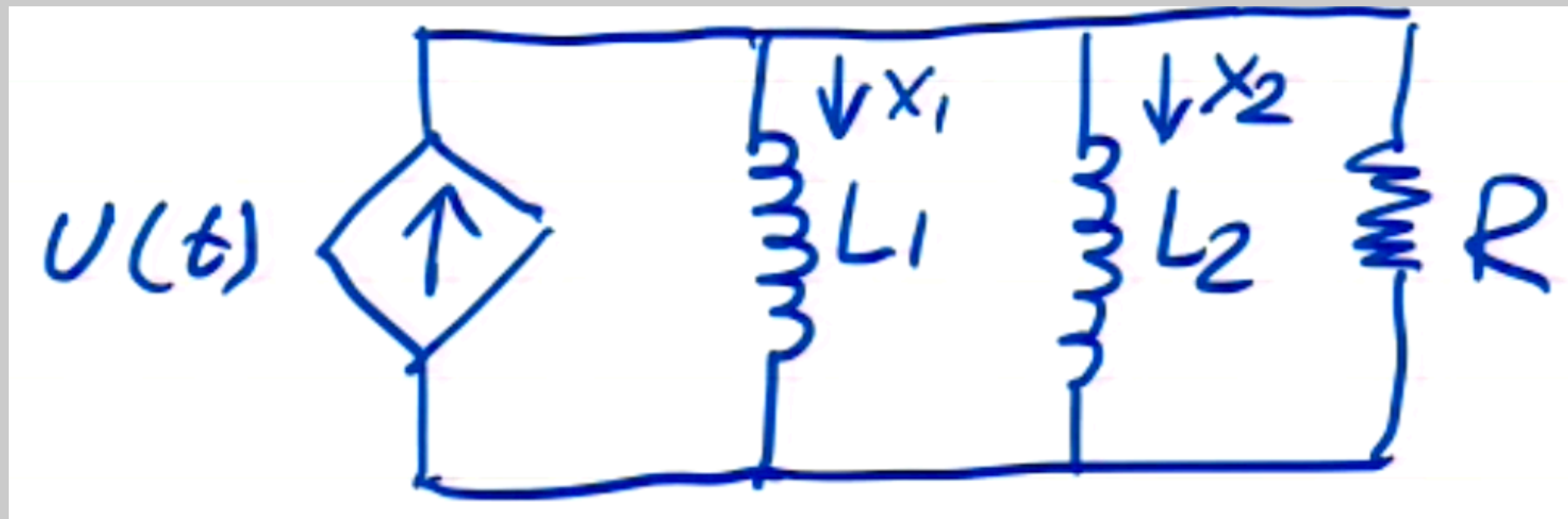


# Example 3 + Quiz

- Write the state model:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \quad \\ \quad \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \quad \\ \quad \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

For:

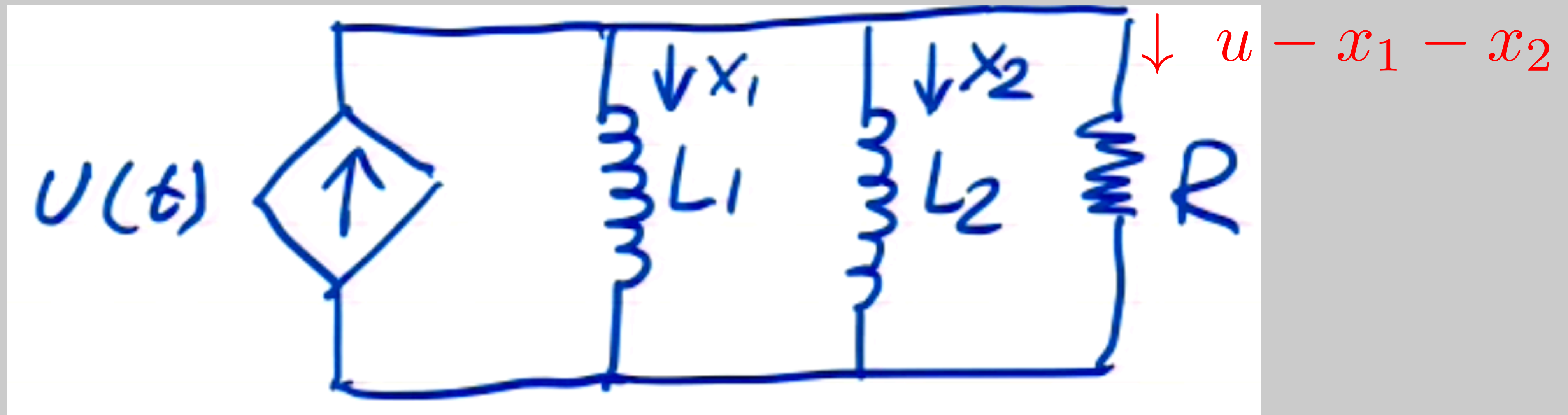


# Quiz

- Write the state model:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{R}{L_1} & -\frac{R}{L_1} \\ -\frac{R}{L_2} & -\frac{R}{L_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{R}{L_1} \\ \frac{R}{L_2} \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

For:



$$V_r = R(u - x_1 - x_2) = L_1 \dot{x}_1 = L_2 \dot{x}_2$$

# Example 3

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- Controllability:

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{R}{L_1} \\ \frac{R}{L_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{R}{L_1} \left( \frac{R}{L_1} + \frac{R}{L_2} \right) \\ -\frac{R}{L_2} \left( \frac{R}{L_1} + \frac{R}{L_2} \right) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = [AB \quad B]$$

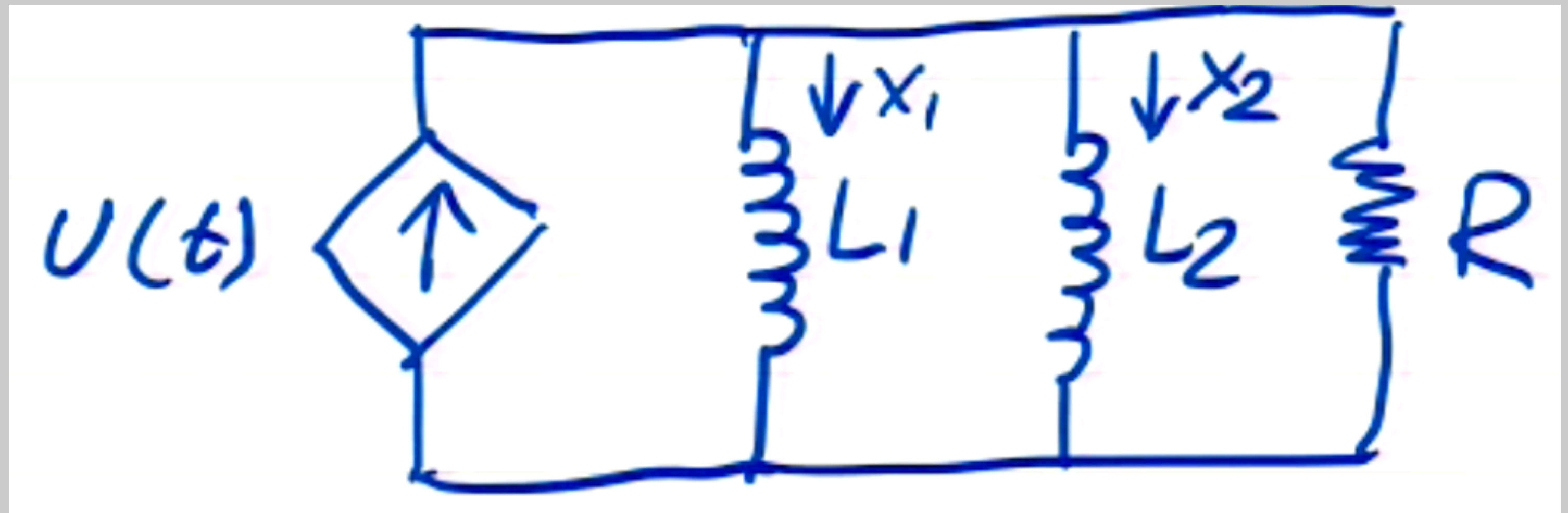
$$AB = \left( \frac{R}{L_1} + \frac{R}{L_2} \right) B$$

Rank = 1 !

Not controllable

# Physical explanation

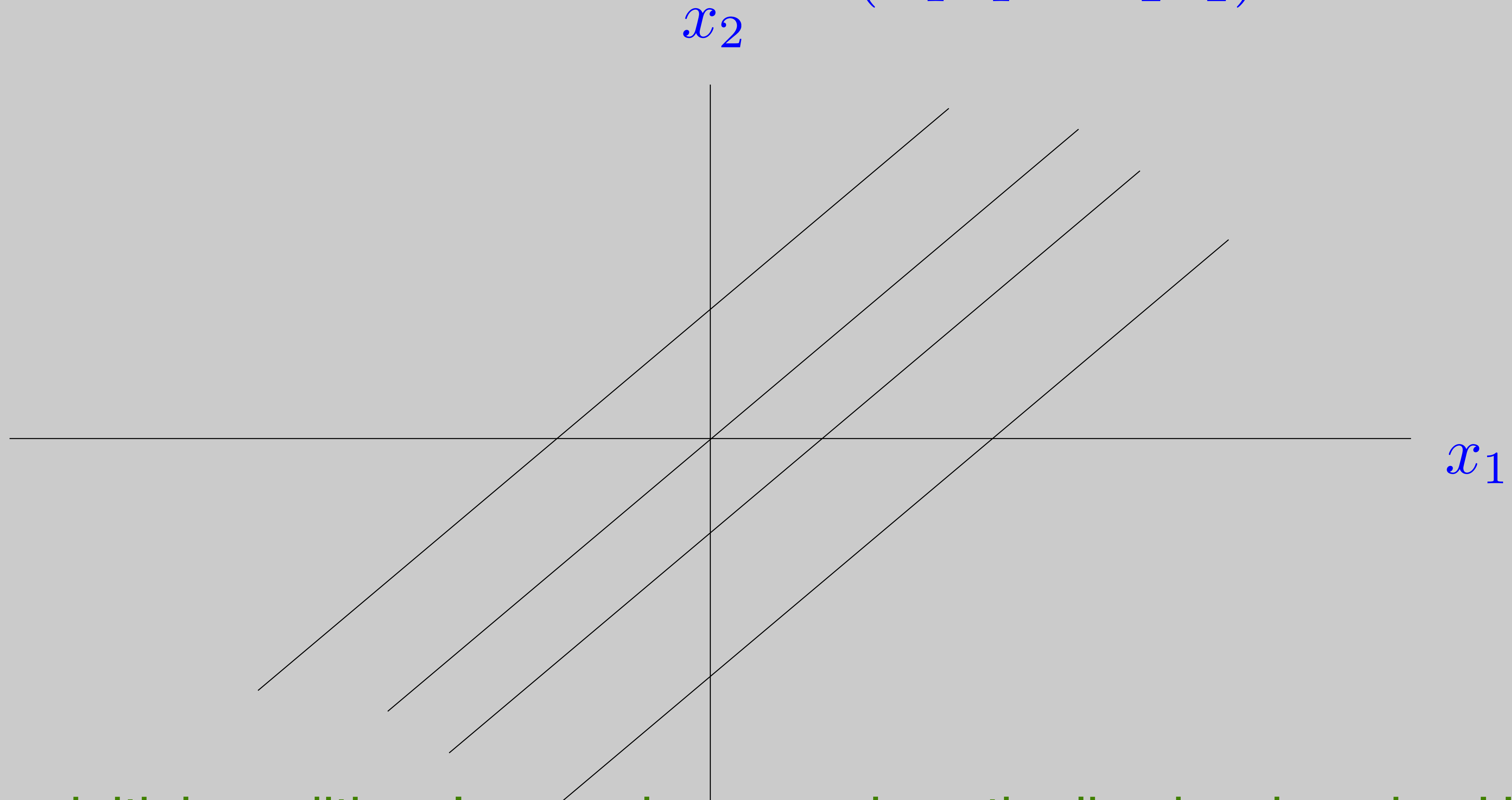
- Why can't I drive the currents  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  freely using  $U(t)$ ?



$$L_1 \frac{dx_1}{dt} = L_2 \frac{dx_2}{dt} = R \cdot i_R = V_R \quad \Rightarrow \quad L_1 \frac{dx_1}{dt} - L_2 \frac{dx_2}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (L_1 x_1 - L_2 x_2) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (L_1 x_1 - L_2 x_2) = \text{Const}$$

$$(L_1 x_1 - L_2 x_2) = \text{Const}$$



Given an initial condition, I can only move along the line by changing U

Q) What if  $A = 0$  ? Can the system be controllable?

$$\frac{d}{dt}\vec{x}(t) = Bu(t)$$

$$R = [0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad \cdots \quad B]$$

A) Only if  $u(t)$  is a vector with the same number of elements as the number of states



# Summary

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- Described and derived conditions for controllability of linear state models.
  - Rank of  $R_n$  for both discrete and continuous
- Showed how to discretize continuous systems
- Showed examples of controllable and non-controllable systems
- Next time:
  - Open loop and state feedback control
  - Controllers to make systems do what we want!