

AE 308: Control Theory
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Lecture 11: Non Minimum Phase System



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Introduction - Minimum Phase System



Minimum phase system

- **Definition** - Systems which have all their zeros and poles in the LH s -plane are termed minimum phase system due to their specific phase characteristics.
- For example,

$$G(s) = \frac{(s + 1)}{(s + 2)(s + 3)(s + 4)}$$

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Non minimum phase system

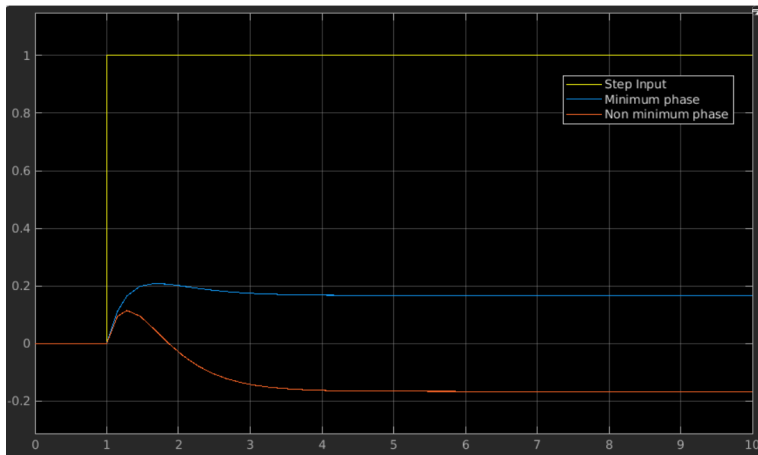
- There are quite a few systems which violate the criteria of minimum phase systems and have either a pole or a zero in RH s -plane.
- In all such systems an additional phase of 180^0 (per pole/zero) gets added to the phase of the basic TF.
- All such systems are called non-minimum phase systems as their phase characteristics are significantly different.
- For example,

$$G(s) = \frac{(s - 1)}{(s + 2)(s + 3)(s + 4)}$$

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Response - minimum phase system vs non minimum phase system



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Non minimum phase system (cont...)

- A common source of such non-minimum phase is the presence of transport lag and computational time delays, which add an exponential factor to the TF.

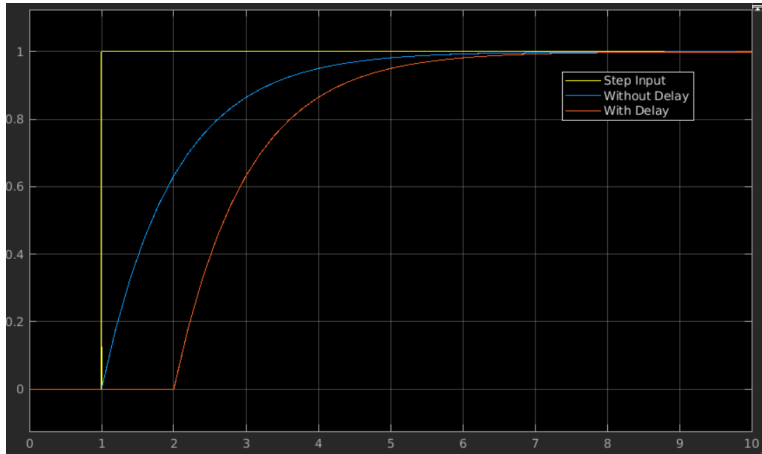
Non minimum phase system situations

- Fluids and gases flowing through pipes take a finite time to reach the destination.
- Heat flux takes finite time to reach the object to be heated / cooled.
- In communication systems, signals take small, but finite, time to generate triggers.

Non Minimum Phase System - Impact



Transportation delay example



Non Minimum Phase System - Impact



Transportation delay

- Transfer function of time delayed system gets modified, as shown below.

$$G'(s) = e^{-\tau_d s} \cdot G(s)$$

- $e^{-\tau_d s}$ is **irrational**. So we need to convert it into rational form, as required by the transfer function.
- One of the methods is to use Pade's approximation

Approximation of Exponential Term



Pade's Approximation (cont...)

- Pade's series is used to derive an appropriate rational representation of irrational function
- The Pade's series is a ratio of two infinite series, which is normally truncated to a specific order depending on the accuracy requirements
- The first order approximation, for the transportation delay is

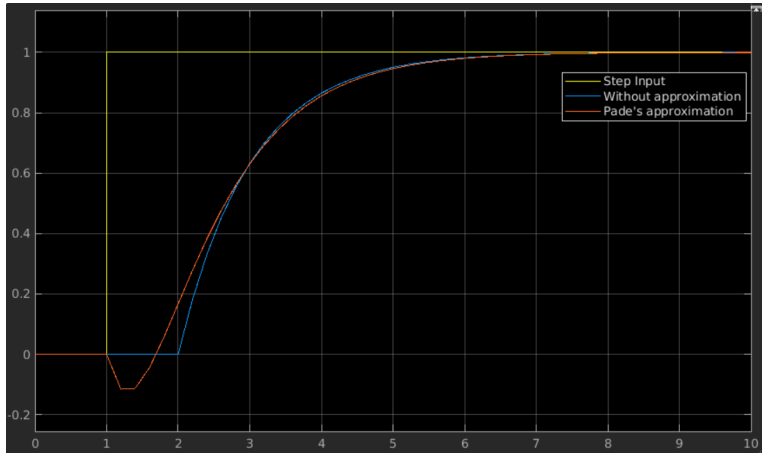
$$e^{-\tau_d s} \approx \frac{1 - \left(\frac{\tau_d}{2}\right)s}{1 + \left(\frac{\tau_d}{2}\right)s}$$

- It is seen that the representation results in a zero in right half of s-plane.

Comparison - Pade's Approximation



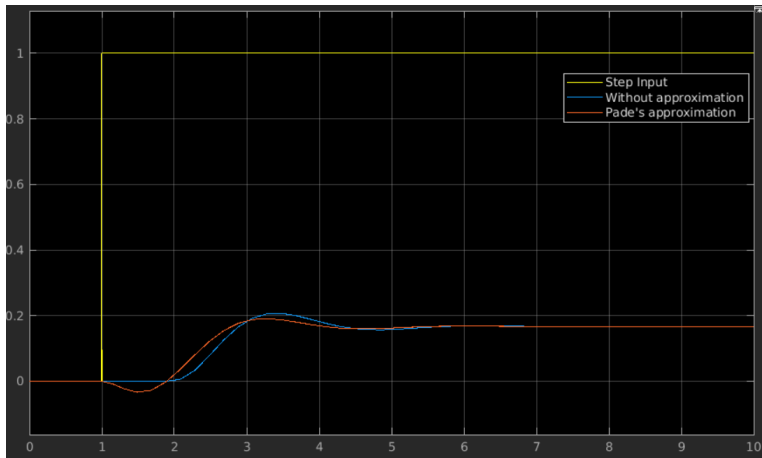
1st order example



Comparison - Pade's Approximation



2nd order example



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