

# Lecture 8

## Stability Criterion

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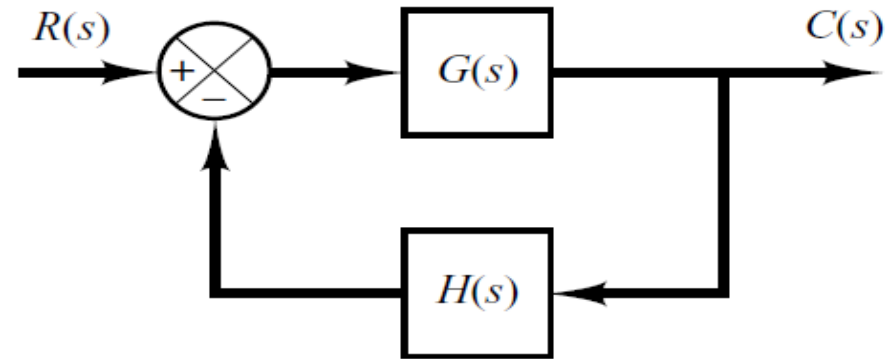
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# Transient Response of Higher-Order Systems

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➤ The closed-loop transfer function is,

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s)}$$



➤ Ratios of polynomials in  $s$ , where:  $G(s) = \frac{p(s)}{q(s)}$ ,  $H(s) = \frac{n(s)}{d(s)}$

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{\frac{p(s)}{q(s)}}{1 + \frac{p(s)}{q(s)} \cdot \frac{n(s)}{d(s)}} = \frac{p(s)d(s)}{q(s)d(s) + p(s)n(s)}$$

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{b_0s^m + b_1s^{m-1} + \dots + b_{m-1}s + b_m}{a_0s^n + a_1s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}s + a_n}$$

# High Order Response behavior of the system to a unit-step input

numerator and the denominator have been factored

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{b_0 s^m + b_1 s^{m-1} + \dots + b_{m-1} s + b_m}{a_0 s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} s + a_n} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{K(s + z_1)(s + z_2)\dots(s + z_m)}{(s + p_1)(s + p_2)\dots(s + p_n)}$$

$$\Rightarrow C(s) = \frac{a}{s} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{a_i}{s + p_i}$$

Residue of the pole at  $s = -p_i$

pole

➤  $C(s)$  Must be expanded, if all closed-loop poles lie in the left-half  $s$  plane;

# Characteristics of High Order Response

- If there is a closed-loop zero close to a closed-loop pole, then the residue at this pole is small and the coefficient of the transient-response term corresponding to this pole becomes small;
- A pair of closely located poles and zeros will effectively cancel each other;
- If a pole is located very far from the origin, the residue at this pole may be small;

# Characteristics of High Order Response


- The transients corresponding to such a remote pole are small and last a short time;
- Terms in the expanded form of  $C(s)$  having very small residues contribute little to the transient response, and it may be neglected;
- If this is done, the higher-order system may be approximated by a lower-order one;

# Real poles and pairs of complex-conjugate poles



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From, 
$$C(s) = \frac{a}{s} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{a_i}{s + p_i}$$


$$C(s) = \frac{a}{s} + \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{a_j}{s + p_j} + \sum_{k=1}^r \frac{b_k (s + \zeta_k \omega_k) + c_k \omega_k \sqrt{1 - \zeta_k^2}}{s^2 + 2\zeta_k \omega_k s + \omega_k^2}$$

*Here,  $q + 2r = n$*

- Assumed all closed-loop poles are distinct;
- The response of a higher-order system is composed of first- and second-order systems;

# Real poles and pairs of complex-conjugate poles

➤ The inverse Laplace transform of  $C(s)$ , The unit-step response  $c(t)$  becomes,

$$C(t) = a + \sum_{j=1}^q a_j e^{-p_j t} + \sum_{k=1}^r b_k e^{-\zeta_k \omega_k t} \cos \omega_k \sqrt{1 - \zeta_k^2} t$$
$$+ \sum_{k=1}^r c_k e^{-\zeta_k \omega_k t} \sin \omega_k \sqrt{1 - \zeta_k^2} t, \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$

➤ A pair of complex-conjugate poles yields a 2nd-order term in  $s$ ;

➤ Involved the responses of first- & 2nd-order systems;

# Real poles and pairs of complex-conjugate poles

➤ Response curve of a stable higher-order system is the sum of a number of exponential curves and damped sinusoidal curves;

$$C(t) = a + \sum_{j=1}^q a_j e^{-p_j t} + \sum_{k=1}^r b_k e^{-\zeta_k \omega_k t} \cos \omega_k \sqrt{1 - \zeta_k^2} t \\ + \sum_{k=1}^r c_k e^{-\zeta_k \omega_k t} \sin \omega_k \sqrt{1 - \zeta_k^2} t, \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$

➤ If all closed-loop poles lie in the left-half s plane, then the exponential terms and the damped exponential terms will approach zero as time  $t$  increases, then steady-state output  $C(\infty) = a$  ;

# Real poles and pairs of complex-conjugate poles

- If the system is a stable, then the closed-loop poles are located far from the  $j\omega$  axis have large negative real parts.
- The exponential terms correspond to these poles decay very rapidly to zero.
- The horizontal distance from a closed-loop pole to the  $j\omega$  axis determines the settling time of transients due to that pole.
- The smaller the distance is, the longer the settling time.

# Real poles and pairs of complex-conjugate poles

- The type of transient response is determined by the closed-loop poles;
- The shape of the transient response is primarily determined by the closed-loop zeros;
- The poles of  $C(s)/R(s)$  enter into the exponential transient-response terms and/or damped sinusoidal transient-response terms;
- The zeros of  $C(s)/R(s)$  do not affect the exponents in the exponential terms, but they do affect the magnitudes and signs of the residues.

# Dominant Closed-Loop Poles

- The relative dominance is determined by the ratio of the real parts of the closed-loop poles;
- The relative magnitudes of the residues evaluated at the closed-loop poles;
- The magnitudes of the residues depend on both the closed-loop poles and zeros;
- If the ratios of the real parts of the closed-loop poles exceed 5 and there are no zeros nearby, then the closed-loop poles nearest the  $j\omega$  axis will dominate in the transient-response behavior (called *dominant closed-loop poles*) because of decaying slowly.

# Dominant Closed-Loop Poles

- The dominant closed-loop poles occur in the form of a complex-conjugate pair;
- The dominant closed-loop poles are most important among all closed-loop poles;
- The gain of a higher-order system is often adjusted a pair of dominant complex-conjugate closed-loop poles.
- The presence of such poles in a stable system reduces the effects of such nonlinearities as dead zone, backlash, and coulomb-friction.

# Stability Analysis



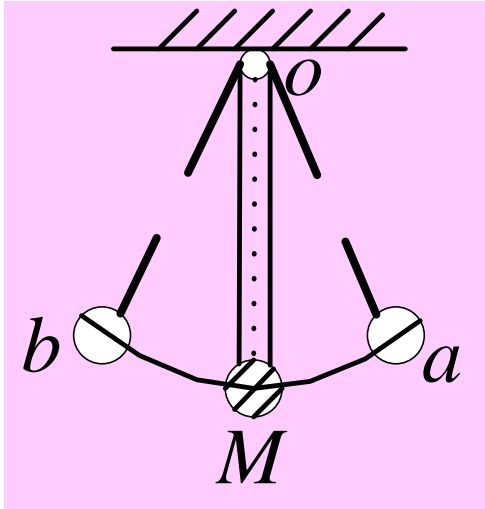
# Why investigate stability?

The issue of ensuring the stability of a closed-loop system is the most important to control system design. An unstable feedback system is of no practical value.

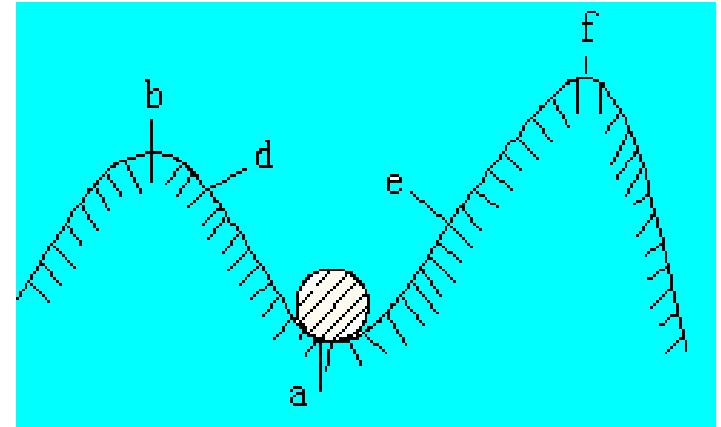
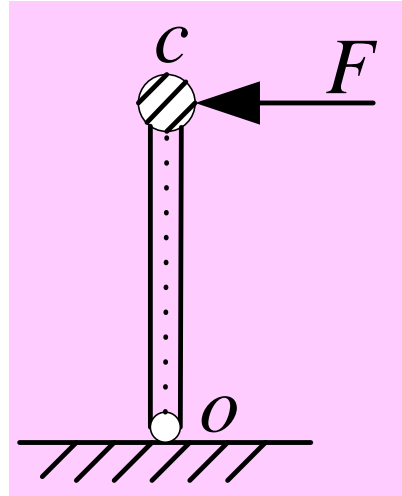
# Concept of Stability

- A LTI control system is in equilibrium, and it will departure( 偏离 ) from its equilibrium when it is subjected to transient disturbance;
- A LTI control system is ***stable*** if the output eventually comes back to its equilibrium state when the system is subjected an initial condition;
- A LTI control system is ***critically stable*** if oscillations of the output continue forever;
- It is ***unstable*** if the output diverges without bound from its equilibrium state with initial condition of the system.

# Concept of Stability



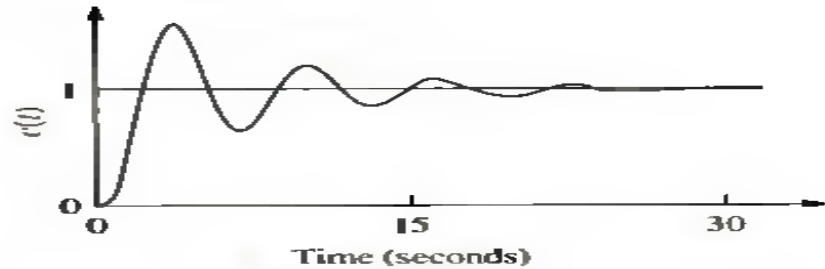
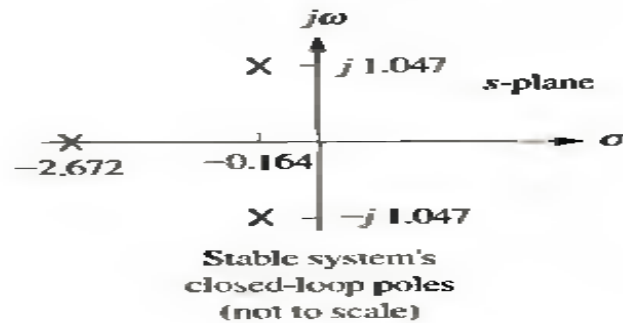
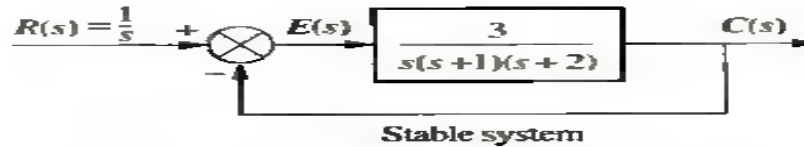
The balance of a pendulum



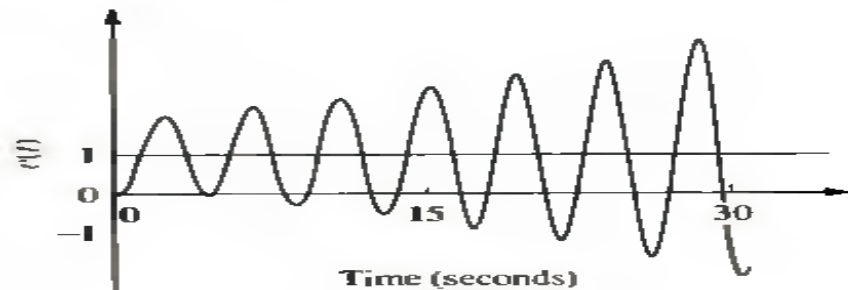
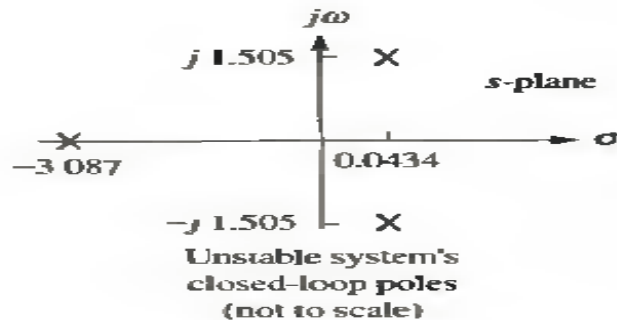
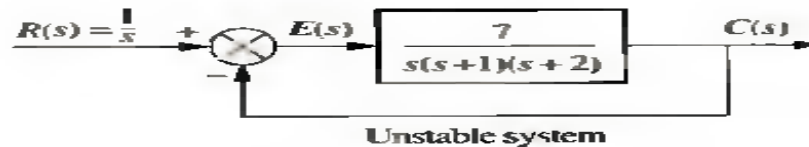
The balance of a small ball

A **necessary** and **sufficient** condition for a feedback system to be stable is that **all the poles of the system transfer function have negative real parts.**(闭环特征方程式的根须都位于s的左半平面)

# Example: Stable & Unstable System



(a)



(b)

# Stability Analysis in Complex Plane

- **Stability** is the most important problem in linear control systems;
- what conditions will a system become **unstable**?
- If it is unstable, how stabilize the system?
- **Stable iff all closed-loop poles lie in the left-half  $s$  plane;**

# Stability Analysis in Complex Plane

- The stability of a linear closed-loop system can be determined from the location of the closed-loop poles in the  $s$  plane;
- If any of these poles lie in the right-half  $s$  plane, then with increasing time they give rise to the dominant mode;
- The transient response increases monotonically or oscillates with increasing amplitude. This represents an **unstable system**;

# Stability Analysis in Complex Plane

- The power is turned on, the output may increase with time;
- If no saturation takes place in the system and no mechanical stop is provided, then the system may eventually be subjected to damage and fail, since the response of a real physical system cannot increase indefinitely.
- The closed-loop poles in the right-half  $s$  plane are not permissible in the usual linear control system.
- If all closed-loop poles lie to the left of the  $j\omega$  axis, any transient response eventually reaches equilibrium. This represents a **stable system**.

# Stability Analysis in Complex Plane

- A linear system is stable or unstable is a property of the system itself and does not depend on the input or driving function of the system.
- The poles of the input, or driving function, do not affect the property of stability of the system, but they contribute only to steady-state response terms in the solution.
- The problem of absolute stability can be solved readily by choosing no closed-loop poles in the right-half  $s$  plane, including the  $j\omega$  axis.



# Stability Analysis in Complex Plane

- Mathematically, closed-loop poles on the  $j\omega$  axis will yield oscillations, the amplitude of which is neither decaying nor growing with time;
- If noise is present, the amplitude of oscillations may increase at a rate determined by the noise power level;
- Therefore, a control system should not have closed-loop poles on the  $j\omega$  axis.

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