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Term 2 / Week 7

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Complex Roots

No class on Week 6

Review

- Roots of Real function

$$f(x) = x^3 - 1 = 0$$

$$= (x-1)(x^2+x+1) = 0$$

∴ Roots are: $x=1$; $x = \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)$

- Roots of corresponding Complex fu.

$$f(\bar{z}) = \bar{z}^3 - 1 = 0$$

We can write $\bar{z}^3 = 1$
or $\bar{z} \cdot \bar{z} \cdot \bar{z} = 1$

By inspection roots are:

$$\bar{z}_1 = 1 \angle 0^\circ; \bar{z}_2 = 1 \angle 120^\circ; \bar{z}_3 = 1 \angle 240^\circ$$

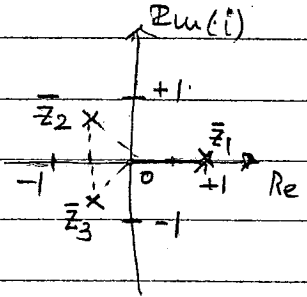
Roots in Cartesian form

$$\bar{z}_1 = (1 + i0)$$

$$\bar{z}_2 = 1(\cos 120^\circ + i \sin 120^\circ) = \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)$$

$$\bar{z}_3 = 1(\cos 240^\circ + i \sin 240^\circ) = \left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)$$

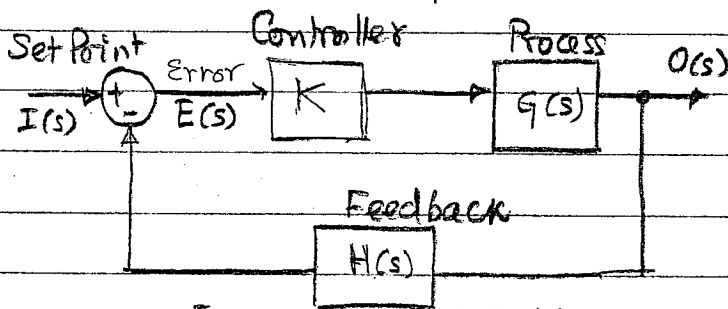
Note: In complex form, the roots make more sense!



- Complex roots are used extensively in the analysis of stability of control systems!

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Simple Control system



We have: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{where 's' is Laplace} \\ \text{Transform} \\ \text{Variable} \end{array} \right\}$

$$E(s) = I(s) - O(s) \cdot H(s) \quad (1)$$

$$O(s) = E(s) [K \cdot G(s)] \quad (2)$$

Substituting for E(s) in (2) from (1)

$$O(s) = [I(s) - O(s) \cdot H(s)] [K \cdot G(s)]$$

Simplifying, we get

$$\frac{O(s)}{I(s)} = \frac{K \cdot H(s) \cdot G(s)}{1 + K \cdot H(s) \cdot G(s)} \quad (3)$$

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- For simplicity let us assume H(s)=1

- In practice, the "process" is a differential equation, for ex, for Mass-spring system

$$F = M \cdot \underbrace{\frac{d^2x}{dt^2}}_{\text{Acceleration}} + kx \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline M \\ \hline \text{---} \\ \hline k \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \text{---} \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline x \\ \hline \end{array}$$

- The differential equations are converted into algebraic equations (with 's' variable) using Laplace transformation, to solve differential eqns.
- Let us assume that the process is $G(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+3)}$ after Laplace Transformation.

We now have:

$$\frac{O(s)}{I(s)} = \frac{k \cdot G(s)}{1 + kG(s)} = \frac{k/s(s+3)}{1 + k/s(s+3)}$$

$$= \frac{k}{s(s+3) + k} = \boxed{\frac{k}{s^2 + 3s + k}}$$

Let us look at the denominator

Case (a) $k=1$

$$s^2 + 3s + 1$$

The roots are:

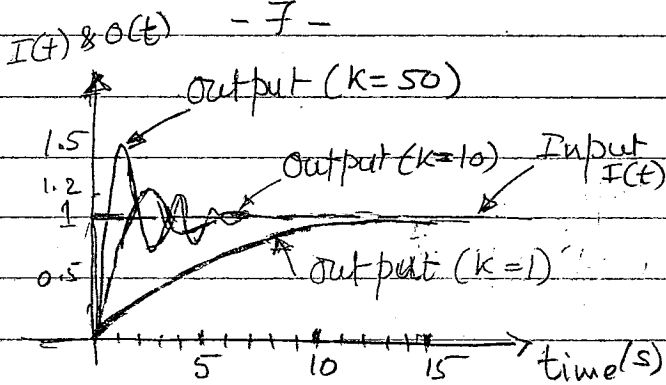
$$s = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{3^2 - 4}}{2} = \frac{-3 \pm 1.73}{2}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{-2.7 \text{ or } -0.3}}$$

Case (b) $k=10 \Rightarrow s^2 + 3s + 10$

The roots are

$$s = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{3^2 - 4 \times 10}}{2} = \underline{\underline{-1.5 \pm i 2.78}}$$



- The above plots show the control/process responses for various values of k .
- As per the plots, the ideal response is close to $k=10$.
- The above conclusions can also be made using the plots of Complex Roots, without solving diff. eqns!!

Case (c) $k=50 \Rightarrow s^2 + 3s + 50$

The roots are:

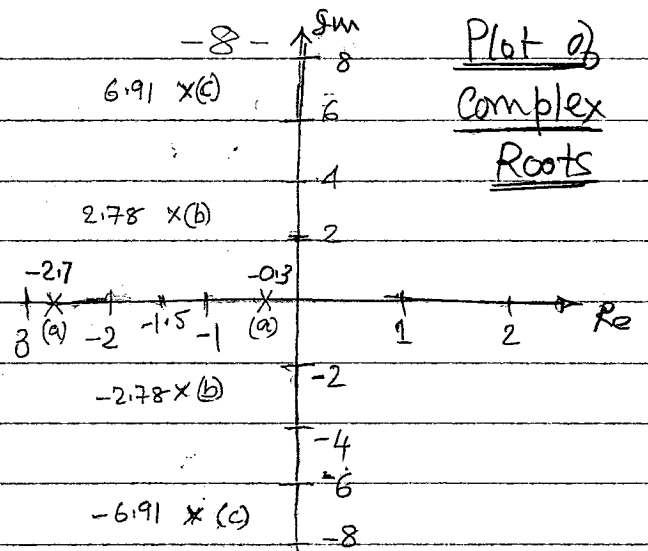
$$s = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4 \times 50}}{2} = \underline{\underline{-1.5 \pm i 6.91}}$$

Control System Response

• The Eqn $\frac{O(s)}{I(s)} = \frac{k}{s^2 + 3s + k}$

can be solved using Laplace transformation for $k=1, 10$ & 50 .

• The results after converting back to "time domain" are as shown below:



Plot of Complex Roots

- The system is stable if the real part of the roots are negative.
- The system is oscillatory if imaginary part is present. Higher the imaginary magnitude, oscillation is higher.
- The system is unstable, if the real part is positive.