

# CHAPTER 4 : TIME DOMAIN RESPONSE ANALYSIS

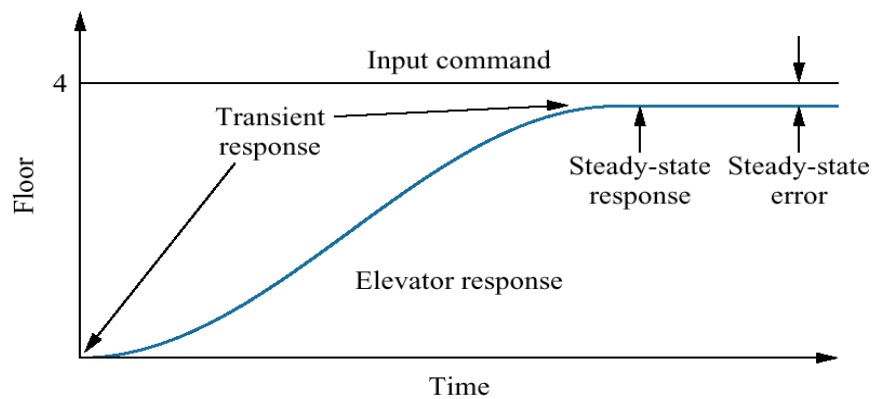
## A) Introduction

- Next important step after a mathematical model of a system is obtained.
- To analyze the system's performance.
- Normally use the standard input signals to identify the characteristics of system's response (based on situation where the system is being used); standard input signals include –
  - Step function
  - Ramp function
  - Impulse function
  - Parabolic function
  - Sinusoidal function

Input	Function	Description	Sketch	Use
Impulse	$\delta(t)$	$\delta(t) = \infty$ for $0- < t < 0+$ $= 0$ elsewhere $\int_{0-}^{0+} \delta(t) dt = 1$		Transient response Modeling
Step	$u(t)$	$u(t) = 1$ for $t > 0$ $= 0$ for $t < 0$		Transient response Steady-state error
Ramp	$tu(t)$	$tu(t) = t$ for $t \geq 0$ $= 0$ elsewhere		Steady-state error
Parabola	$\frac{1}{2}t^2u(t)$	$\frac{1}{2}t^2u(t) = \frac{1}{2}t^2$ for $t \geq 0$ $= 0$ elsewhere		Steady-state error
Sinusoid	$\sin \omega t$			Transient response Modeling Steady-state error

## B) Transient response and steady state response

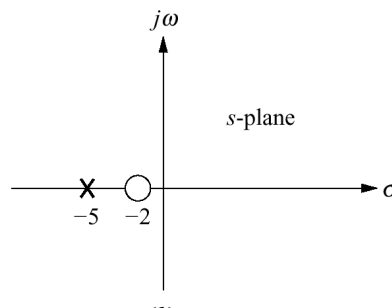
- Output response consists of the sum of *forced response* (from the input) and *natural response* (from the nature of the system).
- The natural response determines how good the system is.
- As described earlier, the transient response is *the change in output response from the beginning of the response to the final state of the response* and the steady state response is *the output response as time is approaching infinity (or no more changes at the output)*



- **Example:** For a system with transfer function

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{s + 2}{s + 5}$$

We can plot the pole and zero of the system as follows:



When a unit step function is applied to the system, we have

$$R(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

Substitute this input into the transfer function and applying the partial fraction, gives

$$C(s) = \frac{s+2}{s+5} \cdot \frac{1}{s}$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{s} + \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{s+5}$$

Applying the inverse Laplace transform, gives the output response

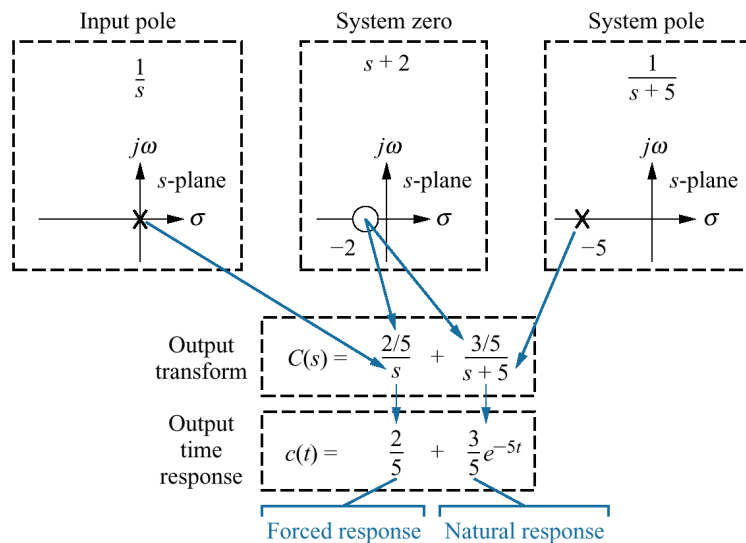
$$c(t) = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{5}e^{-5t}$$

The output response above shows the transient response of the system as the time is varied.

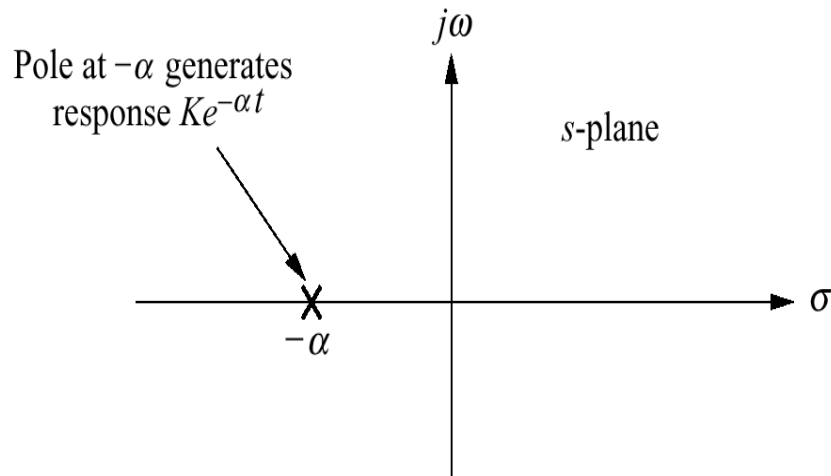
The steady state response can be obtained by putting  $t$  to infinity, which will give

$$c(\infty) = \frac{2}{5}$$

Notes:



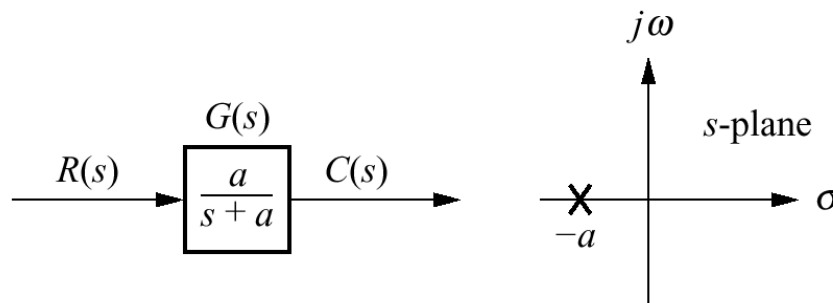
- Any input to a system will give the forced response at the output
- The poles in the transfer function of a system will give the natural response at the output
- The poles in the transfer function of a system will give the  $e^{-\alpha t}$  term, which is associated with the pole location on  $s$ -plane. The further away (to the negative side of the real axis) the pole location, the faster the  $e^{-\alpha t}$  term goes to 0.



- The combination of zeros and poles of a system contributes to the magnitude of the output response.

### C) First order systems

- A system with only one pole.



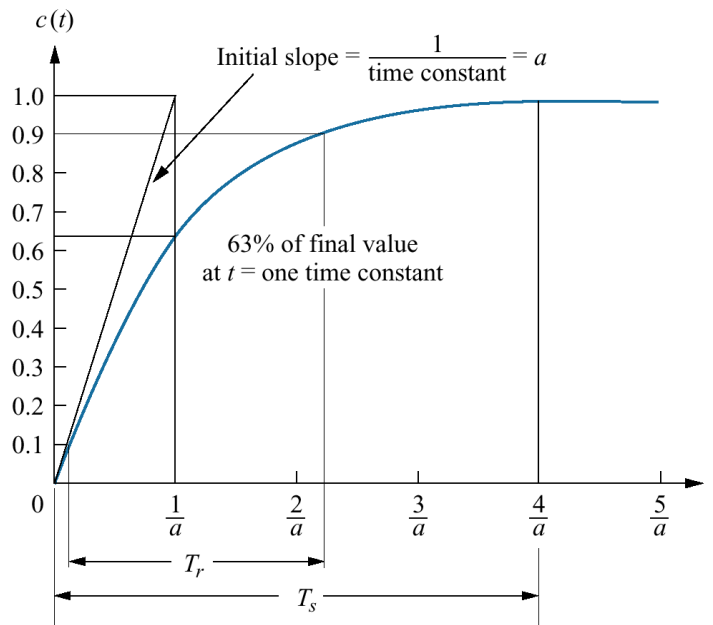
- Applying unit step function to a first order system above, gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 C(s) &= \frac{a}{s+a} R(s) \\
 &= \frac{a}{s+a} \cdot \frac{1}{s} \\
 &= \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s+a}
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking the inverse Laplace transform, yields

$$c(t) = 1 - e^{-at}$$

Where the output response is in the form below



- Several definitions and specifications can be obtained from the output response of a first order system:

- Time constant,  $T_c$ : is the time for the  $e^{-at}$  to decay to 37% of its initial value (or rise to 63% of its final value), or the time when

$$t = \frac{1}{a}, \text{ ie}$$

$$T_c = \frac{1}{a}$$

- **Rise time,  $T_r$ :** the time taken for the output waveform to go from 10% to 90% of its final output value, ie

$$T_r = \frac{2.2}{a} = 2.2T_c$$

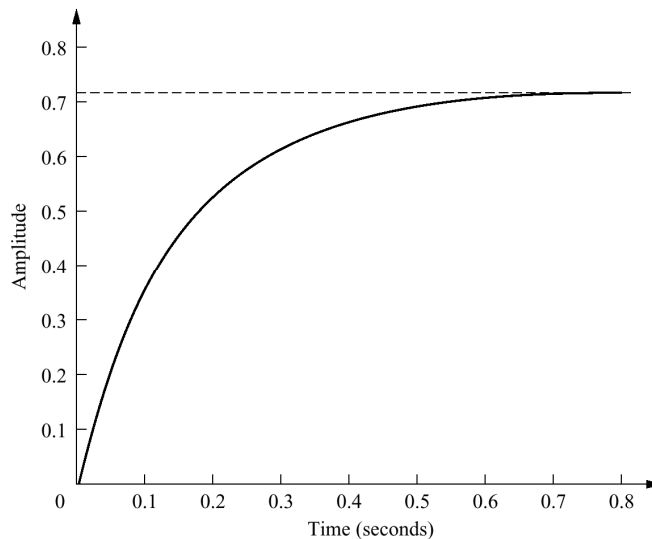
- **Settling time,  $T_s$ :** the time taken for the output waveform to reach, and stay within 2% of its final output value, ie

$$T_s = \frac{4}{a} = 4T_c$$

- In some cases, it is hard to obtain a system's transfer function analytically.
- We could obtain the transfer function through experiment or testing.
- For example, a simple general first order system would have a transfer function of

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{K}{s + a}$$

After applying a unit step function, the output response waveform is obtained as shown below,

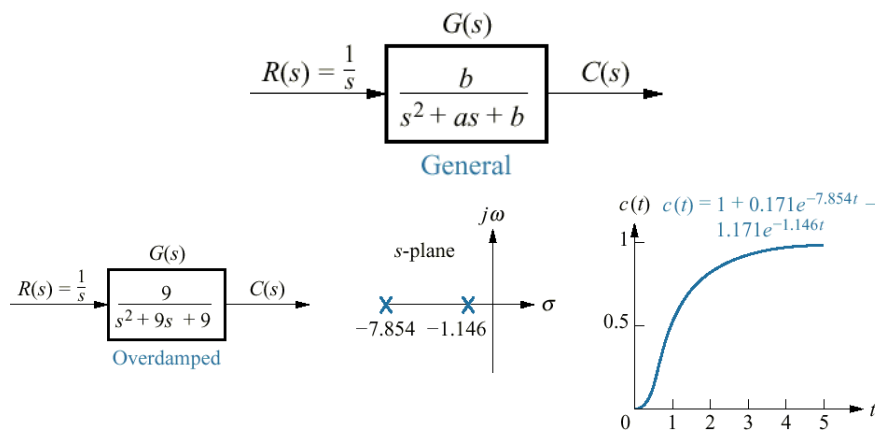


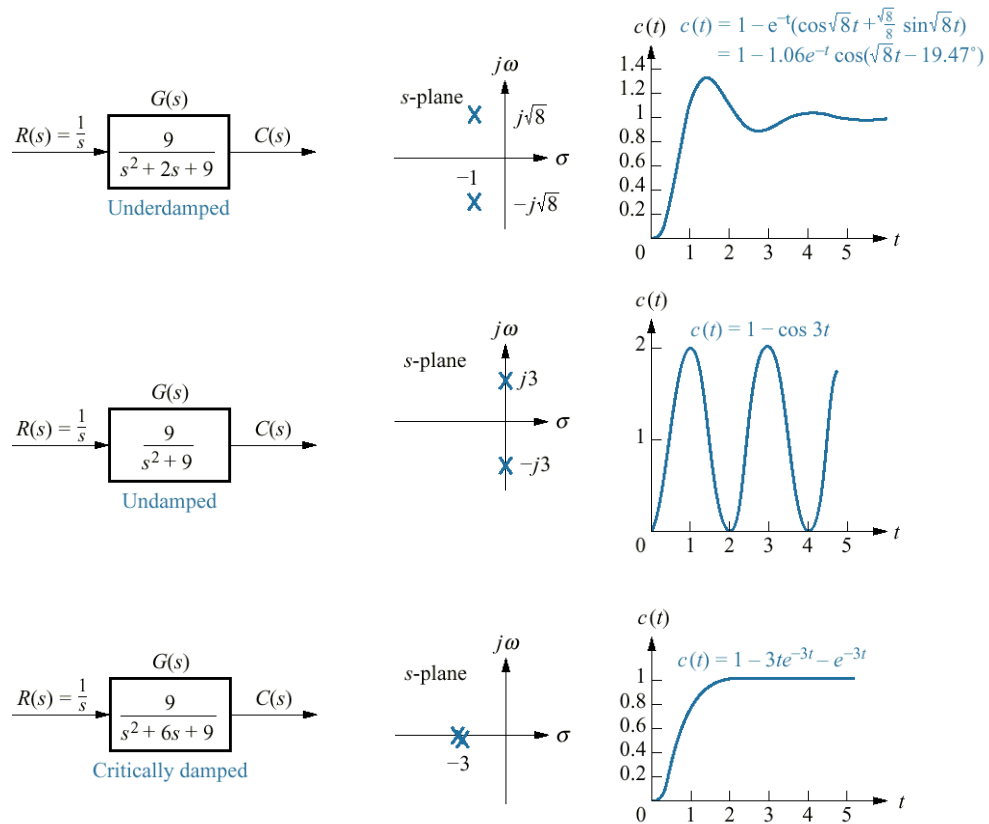
From the output waveform, we could determine the time constant when the output rise to 63% of its final value, which is in this case is  $0.63 \times 0.72 = 0.45$ . This is about 0.13 second (from the graph).

Hence  $a = 1/0.13 = 7.7$

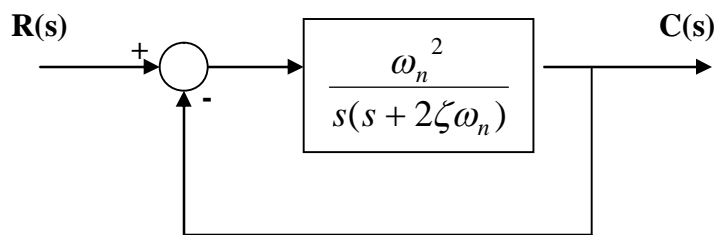
#### D) Second order systems

- A system with two poles.
- When tested with a unit step input, the second order system will give several type of output response, which we can analyze.
- This will depend on the location on the system's poles.
- Consider the following example of a second order system:





- In general, a second order can be represented by



The second order response can be obtained from the general closed loop transfer function,

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{K\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$



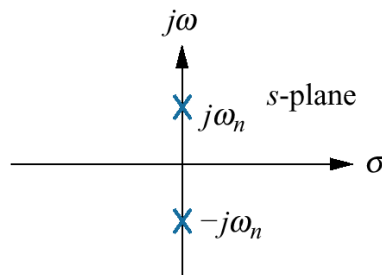
where,  $\omega_n$  = undamped natural frequency  
 $\zeta$  = damping ratio

- The poles for the second order system  $C(s)/R(s)$  can be found from the denominator as,

$$s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$$

- $\zeta$  in the poles equation determines the system output response. If the gain  $K$  is set to 1, several output response can be obtained.
- For  $\zeta = 0$ , we will have the poles location at

$$s_{1,2} = \pm j\omega_n$$



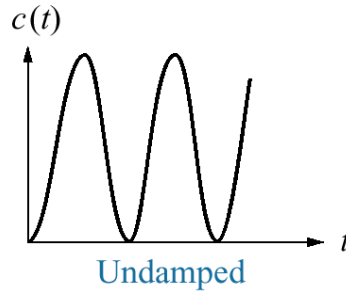
Applying unit step function at the input gives the output as

$$C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + \omega_n^2} \cdot \frac{1}{s}$$

Using the partial fraction technique and taking the inverse Laplace transform, gives a general output response for  $\zeta = 0$ ,

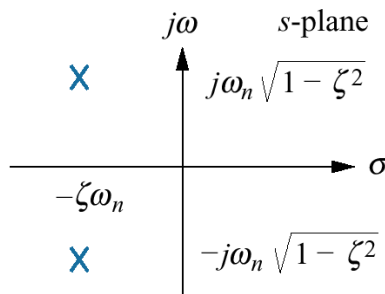
$$c(t) = 1 - A\cos(\omega_n t - \phi)$$

where the output response is oscillating and in an *UNDAMPED* condition (or in a critically stable condition).



- **For  $0 < \zeta < 1$ , we will have the poles location at**

$$s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm j\omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}$$



**Applying unit step function at the input gives the output as**

$$C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \cdot \frac{1}{s}$$

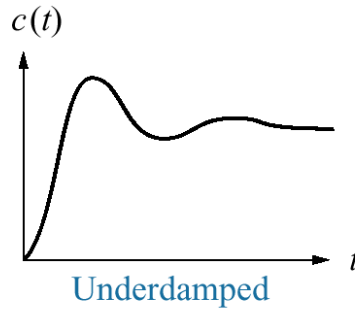
**Using the partial fraction technique and taking the inverse Laplace transform, gives a general output response for  $0 < \zeta < 1$ ,**

$$c(t) = 1 - Ae^{-\sigma_d t} \cos(\omega_d t + \theta)$$

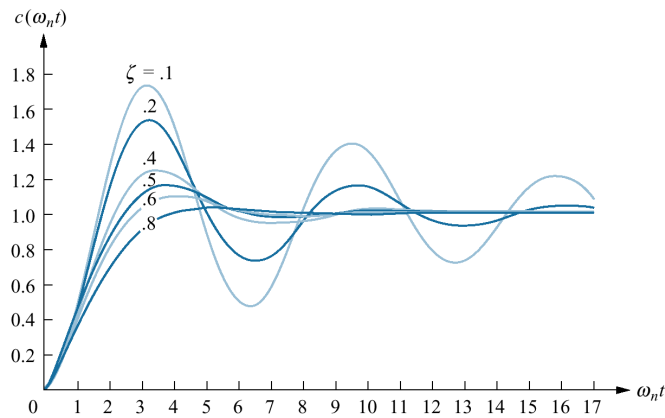
**where,  $\sigma_d = \zeta\omega_n$  and  $\omega_d = \omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}$ .**

**The output response will oscillate (due to the sinusoidal term) and decay out (due to the exponential term).**

**In this case, the output response is in UNDERDAMPED condition.**

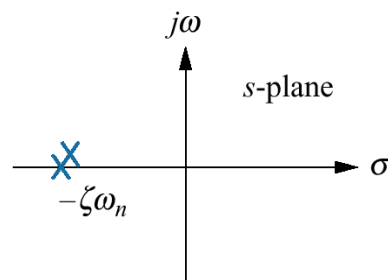


**For different value of  $\zeta$  in this case, a different type of output response will be obtained,**



- **For  $\zeta = 1$ , we will have the poles location at**

$$s_{1,2} = -\omega_n$$



**Applying unit step function at the input gives the output as**

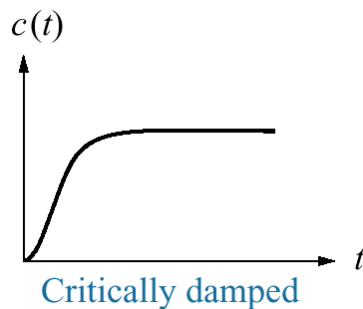
$$\begin{aligned}
 C(s) &= \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \cdot \frac{1}{s} \\
 &= \frac{\omega_n^2}{(s + \omega_n)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{s}
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the partial fraction technique and taking the inverse Laplace transform, gives a general output response for  $\zeta = 1$ ,

$$c(t) = 1 - (K_1 e^{-\omega_n t} + K_2 t e^{-\omega_n t})$$

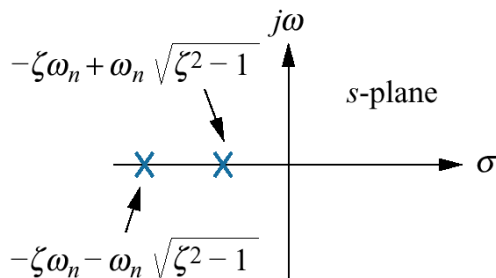
The output response will not oscillate and decay out (quickly without any overshoot or oscillation).

In this case, the output response is in a **CRITICALLY DAMPED** condition.



- For  $\zeta > 1$ , we will have the poles location at

$$s_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm \omega_n \sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$$



the poles are negative, real and different to each other

Applying unit step function at the input gives the output as

$$C(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \cdot \frac{1}{s}$$

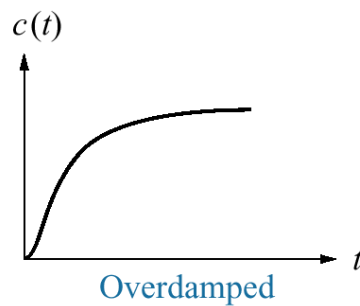
$$= \frac{\omega_n^2}{(s + \zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})(s + \zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})} \cdot \frac{1}{s}$$

Using the partial fraction technique and taking the inverse Laplace transform, gives a general output response for  $\zeta > 1$ ,

$$c(t) = 1 - (K_1 e^{-s_1 t} + K_2 e^{-s_2 t})$$

The output response decays out slowly due to the fact that one of the poles is near to the imaginary axis.

In this case, the output response is in an **OVERDAMPED** condition.



- The output response of the second order system can be summarized as given below,

