



CONTROL I

ELEN3016

Stability of Dynamical Systems

(Lecture 11)

Overview

- First Things First!
- Introductory Examples
- Review of 2nd-Order Systems
- Routh-Hurwitz Stability Criterion
- Tutorial Exercises & Homework
- Next Attraction!

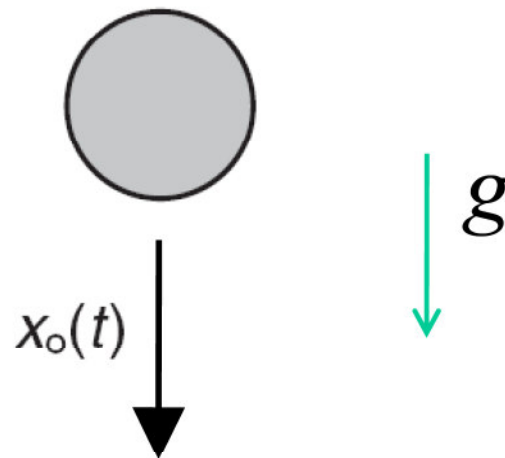
Introductory Example 1

- *Stable* time response



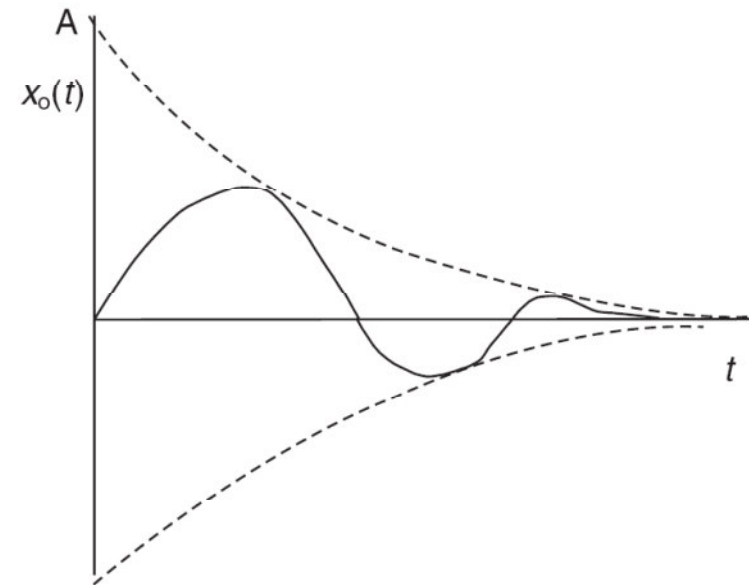
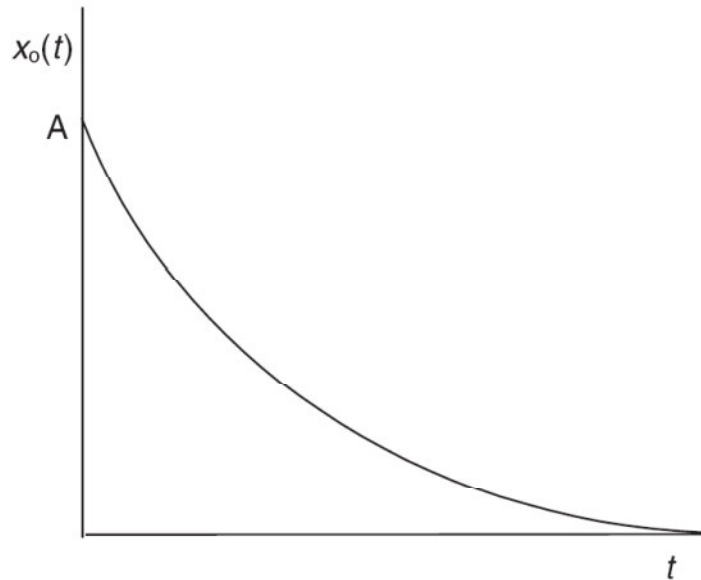
Introductory Example 2

- Example of *unstable* time response



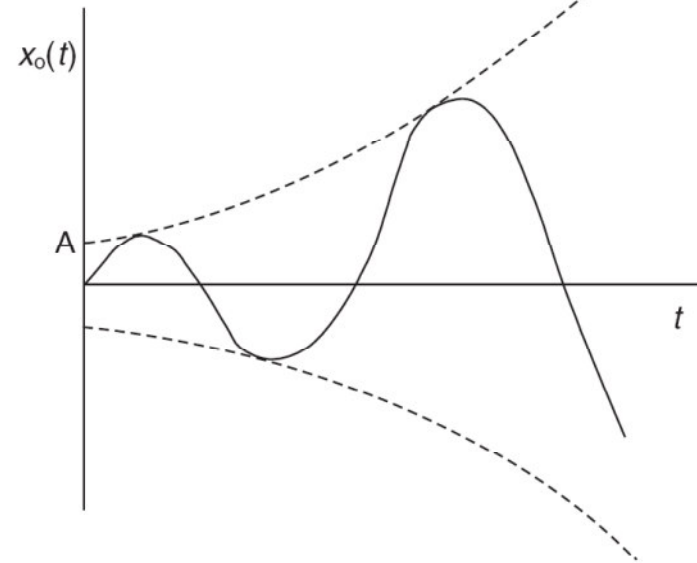
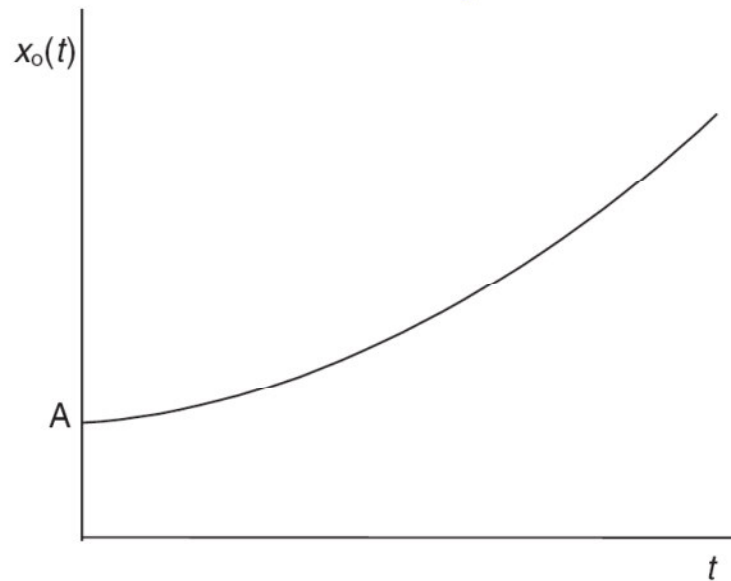
Types of Stable Time Response

- Stable response: Non-oscillatory vs Oscillatory



Types of Unstable Time Response

- Unstable response: Non-oscillatory vs Oscillatory



Characteristic Equation & Roots

- Characteristic equation of a 2nd-order system

$$as^2 + bs + c = 0 \quad (5.5)$$

- Roots

$$s_1, s_2 = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \quad (5.6)$$

$$\underbrace{a, b, c > 0} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \operatorname{Re}(s_1), \operatorname{Re}(s_2) < 0 \\ b > \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac} \end{cases}$$

That is, all of the same sign!

Characteristic Equation & Roots

- Overdamped 2nd-order system ($b^2 - 4ac > 0$)

$$s_1 = -\sigma_1 \quad s_2 = -\sigma_2 \quad (5.7)$$

- Critically damped 2nd-order system ($b^2 - 4ac = 0$)

$$s_1 = s_2 = -\sigma \quad (5.8)$$

- Underdamped 2nd-order system ($b^2 - 4ac < 0$)

$$s_1, s_2 = -\sigma \pm j\omega \quad (5.9)$$

Characteristic Equation & Roots

- 2nd-order system with $a, c > 0$, $b < 0$ implies
 - a. $-4ac < 0 \Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac < b^2$ implying either
 - i. complex conjugate pole pair if $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ **or**
 - ii. two real poles of the same sign if $0 < b^2 - 4ac$.
 - b. $-\frac{b}{2a} > 0$ i.e. at least one unstable pole.

Combining a.) & b.) we conclude that both poles (real or complex) are in the RHP giving an unstable system.

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Stability of a LTI System

- Characteristic equation of an n^{th} -order system

$$a_n s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 s + a_0 = 0$$

- Necessary but not sufficient condition for a system to be stable:
 - The coefficients of the characteristic equation must all have the same sign and that none are zero.

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Characteristic equation of an n^{th} -order system

$$a_n s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 s + a_0 = 0 \quad (5.11)$$

- Necessary and sufficient condition for a system to be stable:

- All the *Hurwitz determinants* of the characteristic polynomial are positive or, equivalently,
- All coefficients in the first column of the *Routh array* have the same sign.

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Routh array

s^0	p_1			
s^1	q_1			
\vdots	\vdots			
s^{n-3}	c_1	c_2	c_3	\dots
s^{n-2}	b_1	b_2	b_3	\dots
s^{n-1}	a_{n-1}	a_{n-3}	a_{n-5}	\dots
s^n	a_n	a_{n-2}	a_{n-4}	\dots

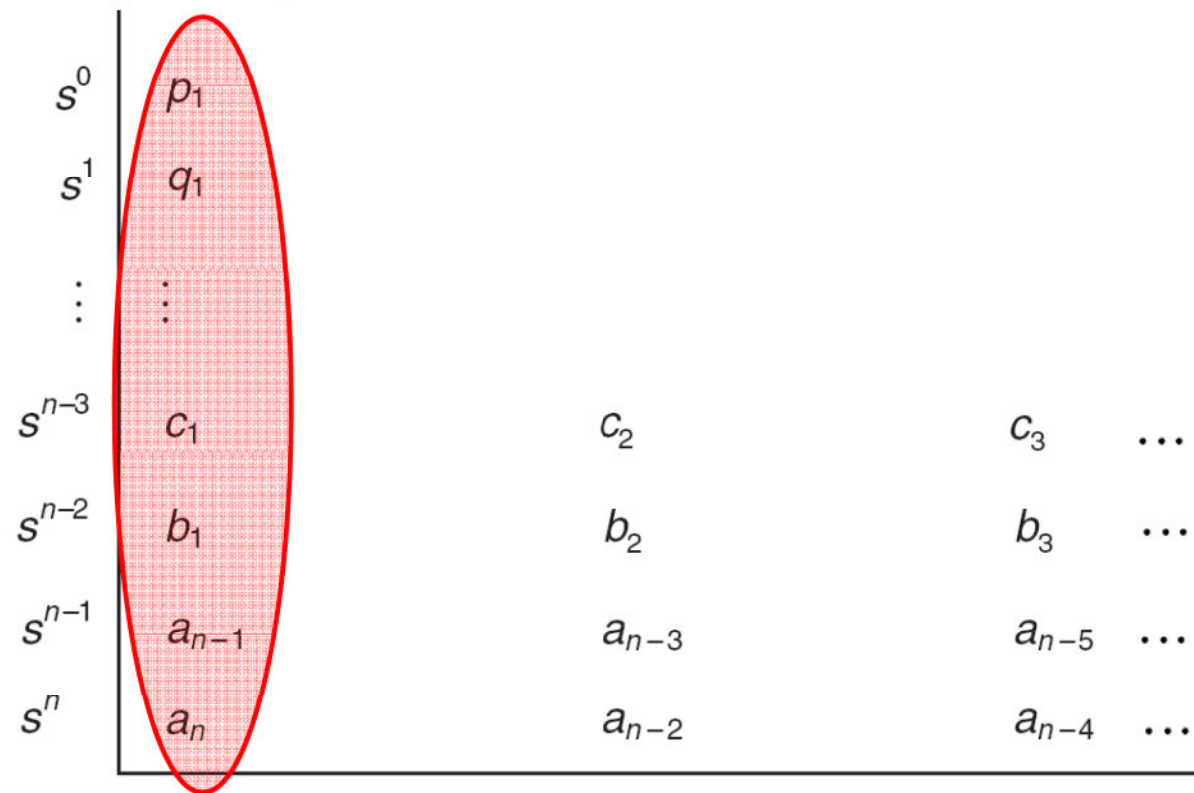
Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

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Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Routh array



The diagram shows a Routh array with rows labeled s^0 through s^n on the left. The first column contains the coefficients $p_1, q_1, \vdots, c_1, b_1, a_{n-1}, a_n$. A red oval highlights this first column. The subsequent columns contain the coefficients c_2, c_3, \dots , b_2, b_3, \dots , and a_{n-3}, a_{n-5}, \dots , a_{n-2}, a_{n-4}, \dots .

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s^1	q_1			
\vdots	\vdots			
s^{n-3}	c_1	c_2	c_3	\dots
s^{n-2}	b_1	b_2	b_3	\dots
s^{n-1}	a_{n-1}	a_{n-3}	a_{n-5}	\dots
s^n	a_n	a_{n-2}	a_{n-4}	\dots

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Expanding the Routh array's third row:

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \begin{vmatrix} a_{n-1} & a_{n-3} \\ a_n & a_{n-2} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$b_2 = \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \begin{vmatrix} a_{n-1} & a_{n-5} \\ a_n & a_{n-4} \end{vmatrix}$$

etc.

- Continue until the first zero appears. Then move to next row.

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

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Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Expanding the Routh array's fourth row:

$$c_1 = \frac{1}{b_1} \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ a_{n-1} & a_{n-3} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{1}{b_1} \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & b_3 \\ a_{n-1} & a_{n-5} \end{vmatrix}$$

etc.

- Continue until the first zero appears. Then move to next row. **Terminate with a complete row of zeros.**

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Routh array

s^0	p_1			
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Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

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Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Example 5.1

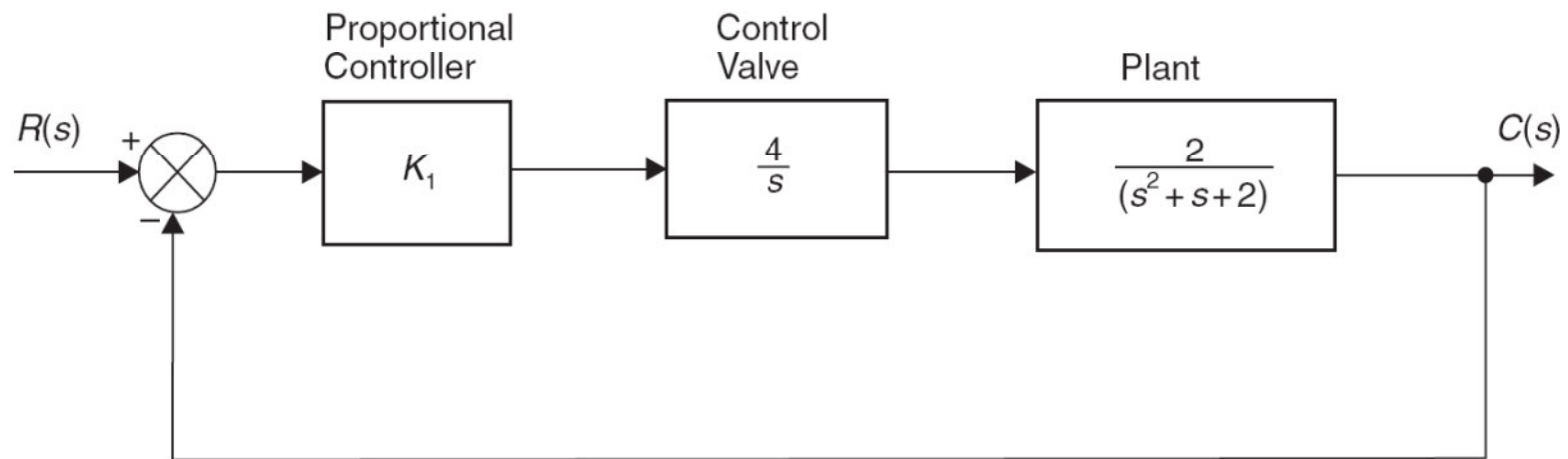
$$s^4 + 2s^3 + s^2 + 4s + 2 = 0$$

Routh array:

s^0	2		
s^1	8		
s^2	-1	2	
s^3	2	4	
s^4	1	1	2

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Example 5.2



Find the minimum proportional gain for which the system is “only just unstable” (marginally stable).

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Example 5.2 (continued)

Characteristic equation: $(K = 8K_1)$

$$1 + G(s)H(s) = 1 + \frac{K}{s(s^2 + s + 2)} = 0$$

$$s^3 + s^2 + 2s + K = 0 \quad (5.30)$$

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Example 5.2 (continued)

Routh array:

s^0	K	
s^1	$(2 - K)$	
s^2	1	K
s^3	1	2

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Example 5.2 (continued)

Routh array:

s^0	K		
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s^2	1	K	
s^3	1	2	

$\longrightarrow K \geq 2$

$K_1 = 0.25$

Routh-Hurwitz Criterion

- Example 5.2 (cont'd)

Study the remaining part of Example 5.2 as well as Section 5.2.2 on special cases of the Routh array.

Tutorial Exercises & Homework

- Tutorial Exercises
 - Burns, Examples 5.12 and 5.13
- Homework
 - Burns, Example 5.2 and Sec. 5.2.2

Conclusion

- First Things First!
- Introductory Examples
- Review of 2nd-Order Systems' Stability
- Routh-Hurwitz Stability Criterion
- Burns, Sec 5.2.2 (**Self-study!**)
- Tutorial Exercises & Homework

Next Attraction! – Miss It & You'll Miss Out!

- The Root Locus Technique
(Burns, Chapter 5)

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Thank you!
Any Questions?