



## Feedback Characteristics

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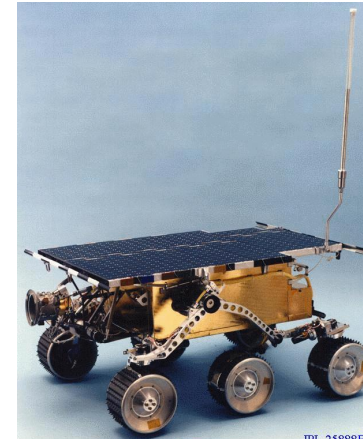
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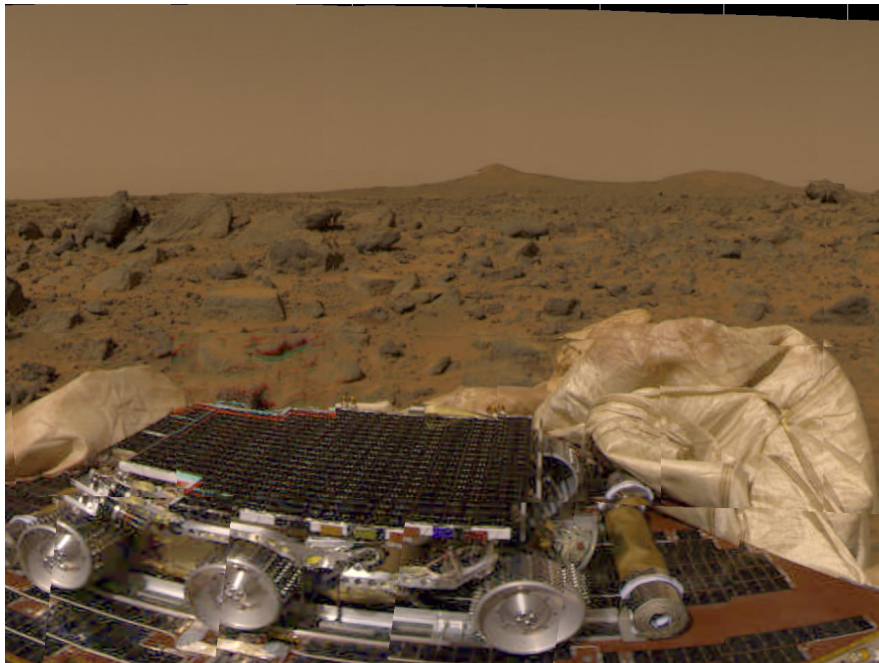
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## Example 1: Mars Rover

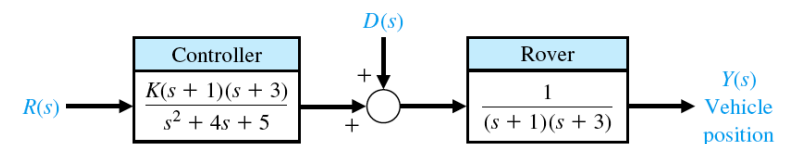


- Solar-powered *Sojourner*
- Launched in December 1996
- Landed July 4, 1997
- Remotely operated from earth



## Example 1: Mars Rover

- Goal: Operate the rover with modest effects from external disturbances and with low sensitivity to the change in the gain  $K$ .
- Open-loop configuration



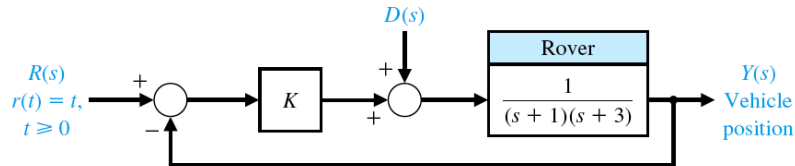
$$Y(s) = G(s)(D(s) + K(s)R(s))$$

$$= \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+3)} D(s) + \frac{K}{s^2 + 4s + 5} R(s)$$



# Example 1: Mars Rover

## ■ Closed-loop configuration



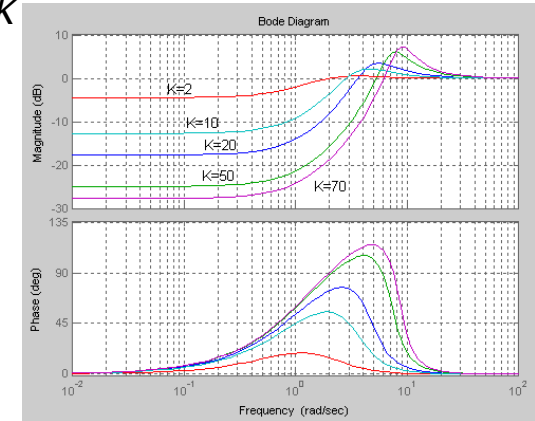
$$\begin{aligned}
 Y(s) &= G(s)(D(s) + K(s)(R(s) - Y(s))) \\
 &= \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)K(s)} D(s) + \frac{G(s)K(s)}{1 + G(s)K(s)} R(s) \\
 &= \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+3) + K} D(s) + \frac{K}{(s+1)(s+3) + K} R(s)
 \end{aligned}$$



# Example 1: Mars Rover

## ■ Sensitivity function (effect of noise on output) for varying K

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)K(s)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+3) + K} \\
 &= \frac{1}{s^2 + 4s + (3+K)}
 \end{aligned}$$



# Example 1: Mars Rover

## ■ Steady-state behavior to $D(s) = 1/s$ , $R(s) = 0$

### ■ Open-loop

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# Outline

- Today
  - Second-order systems
  - Time domain specifications
  - Test input signals
  - Similar systems (3<sup>rd</sup> order, 2<sup>nd</sup> order with zeros)
- Next class
  - Input type and system type number
  - Steady-state error



## Second-order systems

- Common performance measures
  - Transient response
  - Steady-state response
- Common test input signals to evaluate system response
  - Impulse
  - Step
  - Ramp
  - (Parabola)
- System performance is determined by the location of the poles



## Second-order systems

- Why do poles determine system response?
- Recall that for  $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$  the total response is

$$x(t) = \Phi(t)x(0) + \int_0^t \Phi(t-\tau)Bu(\tau)d\tau$$

where  $\Phi(t) = e^{At}$

- The poles are determined by

$$0 = \det(\Phi(s)) = \det(sI - A)^{-1}$$

which are the **eigenvalues of A**.



## Second-order systems

- Generic second-order system

$$G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

- Natural frequency  $\omega_n$
- Damping ratio  $\zeta$

- Characteristic equation

$$0 = s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2$$



## Spring-Mass-Damper System

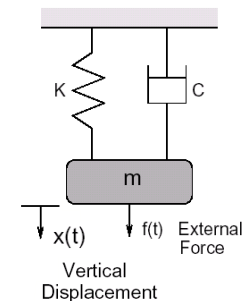
- Input  $u=f(t)$ , Output  $y = x(t)$

$$u(t) = m\ddot{x}(t) + b\dot{x}(t) + kx(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \ddot{x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{k}{m} & -\frac{b}{m} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \dot{x} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{m} \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$G(s) = [1 \quad 0] \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 \\ \frac{k}{m} & s + \frac{b}{m} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G(s) = \frac{\frac{1}{m}}{s^2 + \frac{b}{m}s + \frac{k}{m}} = \frac{a}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

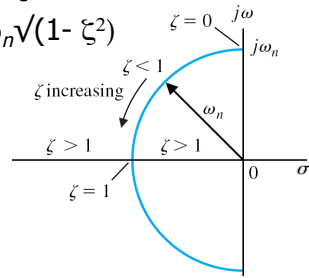




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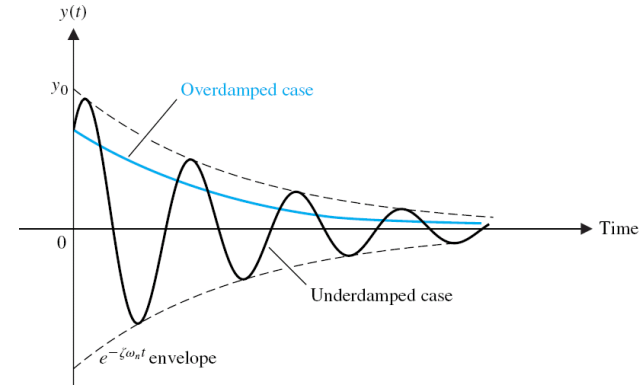
$$G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

- Underdamped
  - Natural frequency  $\omega_n > 0$
  - Damping ratio  $1 > \zeta > 0$
  - **Damped frequency**  $\omega_d = \omega_n\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$
- Critically damped
  - Damping ratio  $\zeta = 1$
- Overdamped
  - Damping ratio  $\zeta > 1$



# Natural Response (no input)

$$\frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\omega_n}{\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}} e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \sin(\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} t), \zeta < 1$$



# Second Order System Poles

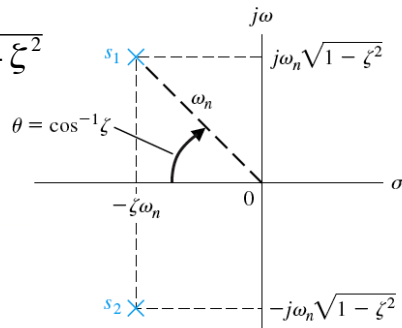
- Underdamped
  - Complex roots due to the quadratic

$$G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

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

$$= -\sigma \pm j\omega_d$$

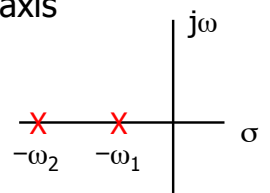
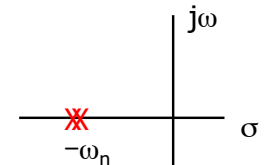
for  $\zeta < 1$  and  $\sigma = \zeta\omega_n$



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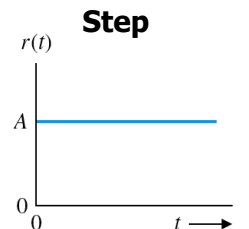
- Critically damped
  - Repeated poles
    - $s_{1,2} = -\omega_n$
    - since  $\zeta = 1$
- Overdamped
  - Unique poles on the real axis
    - $s_{1,2} = -\omega_1, -\omega_2$
    - since  $\zeta > 1$

$$G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$



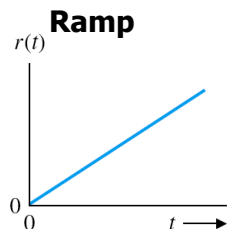


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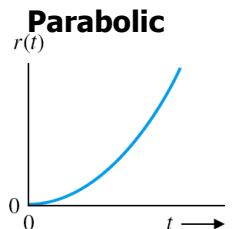
$$r(t) = \begin{cases} A & \text{for } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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



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$$R(s) = \frac{A}{s^2}$$



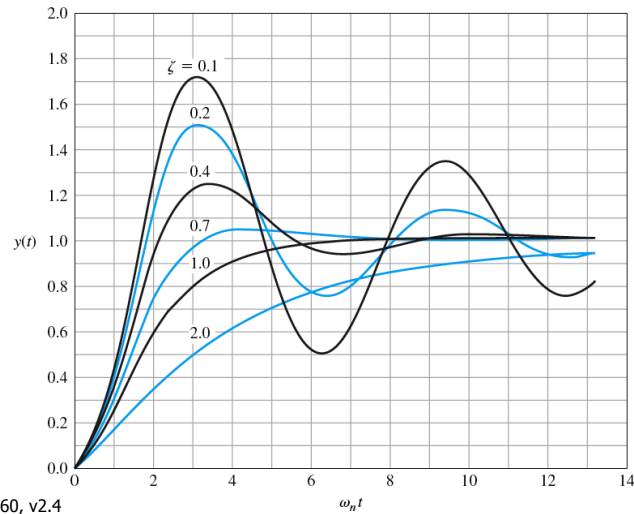
$$r(t) = \begin{cases} At^2 & \text{for } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$R(s) = \frac{2A}{s^3}$$

- "Base-case" used to evaluate system response.



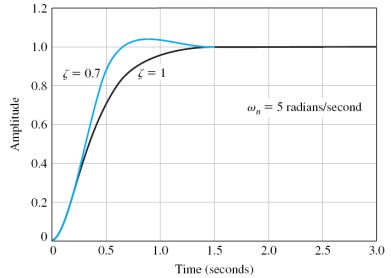
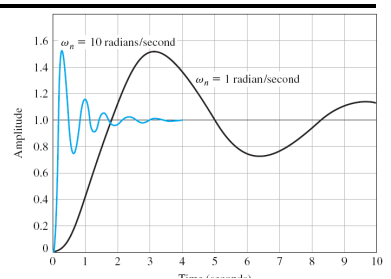
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$$G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$


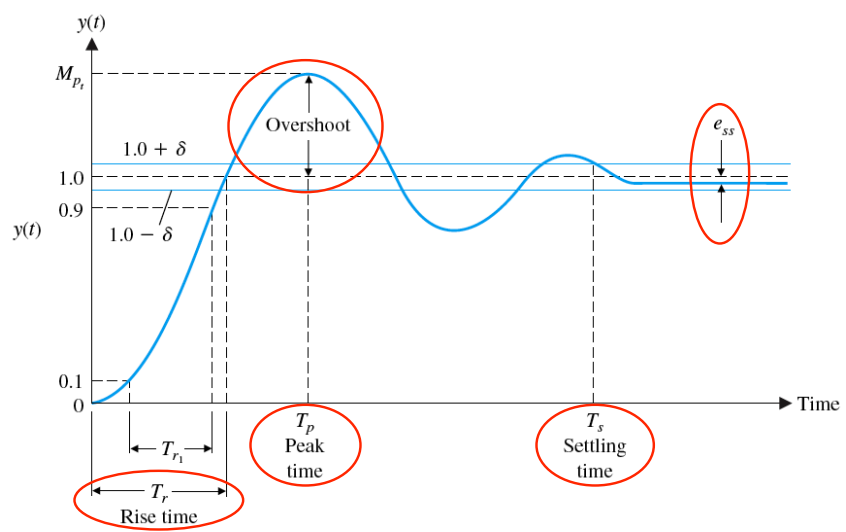
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- Effect of  $\omega_n$ 
  - Frequency of oscillations
- Effect of  $\zeta$ 
  - Damping



# Second-Order System



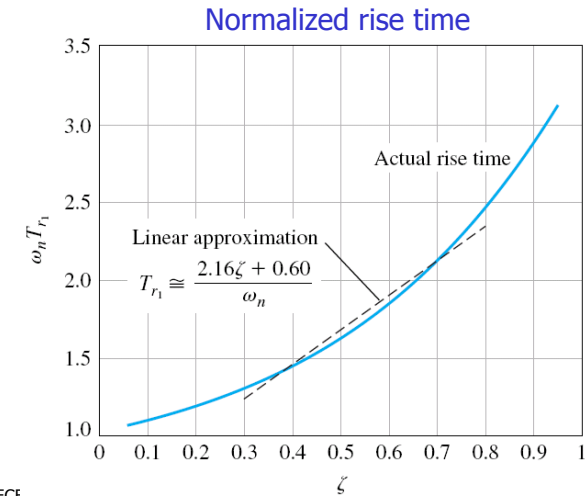


# Second-Order System

- Rise time
  - Time it takes output to reach the vicinity of its new set point.
$$T_r = \frac{2.16\zeta + 0.60}{\omega_n}$$
- Peak time
  - Time it takes the output to reach the maximum overshoot point
$$T_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}}$$
- Overshoot
  - Maximum amount the output overshoots its final value, divided by its final value (usually a %age)
$$M_p = 1 + e^{-\zeta\pi/\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}$$
- Settling time
  - Time it takes the transients to decay to 2% of final value
$$T_s = \frac{4}{\zeta\omega_n}$$

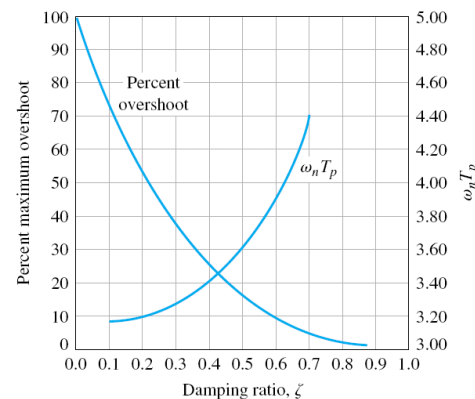


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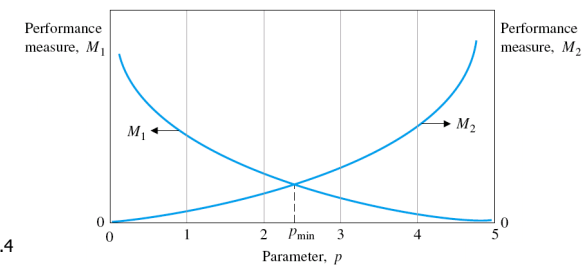
# Second-Order System

- Trade-off between specifications



# When specifications conflict

- Design specifications may be conflicting
  - For example, several time domain specifications as well as a steady-state error specification
- It *may not be possible* to meet all specifications.
- Find a compromise which is the “best” solution.
- This is often a matter of engineering judgment.



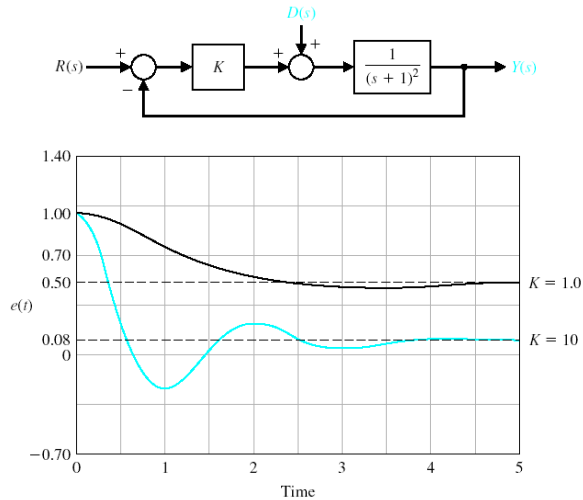


## Example 2: A Simple Loop

The benefit of feedback can be illustrated:

The rise time and sensitivity of the system are reduced as  $K$  increases.

For a unit step disturbance

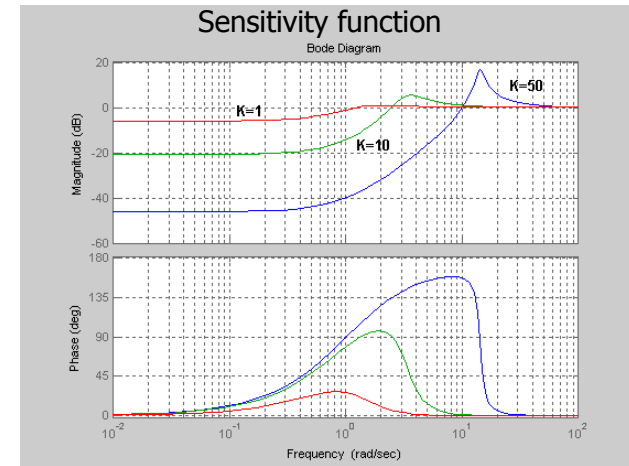


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## Example 2: A Simple Loop



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## Effect of a Third Pole

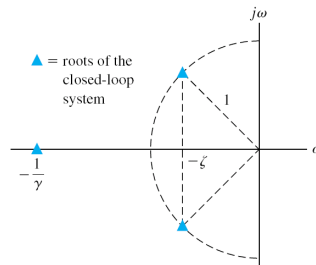
- For the third-order system

$$G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{(s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2)(s\gamma + 1)}$$

Experiments show that when

$$\left| \frac{1}{\gamma} \right| \geq 10|\zeta\omega_n|$$

the third-order system can be approximated by a second-order system to meet specifications for **overshoot** and **settling time**



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## Example 2

- Find  $K$  and  $p$  such that the overshoot is less than 5% and settling time less than 4 seconds

The block diagram shows a feedback loop with input  $R(s)$ , a summing junction, error signal  $E(s)$ , a transfer function block  $G(s) = \frac{K}{s(s+p)}$ , and output  $Y(s)$ . The feedback path is from  $Y(s)$  back to the summing junction.

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

$$= \frac{K}{s^2 + ps + K} R(s)$$

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

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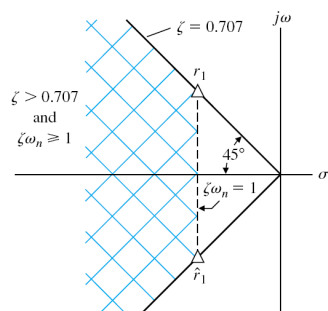


## Example 2

- Damping ratio  $\zeta = 0.707$  provides an overshoot of 4%.
- Settling time is determined by

$$T_s = \frac{4}{\zeta\omega_n} < 4$$

$$\therefore \zeta\omega_n > 1$$



## Example 2

- With  $\zeta = 1/\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\omega_n = \sqrt{2}$  the poles will be located at

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

$$= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sqrt{2} \pm j\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{1-\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2}$$

$$= -1 \pm j$$

- We can find  $K$  and  $p$  by matching the coefficients of the characteristic equation

$$s^2 + ps + K = s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2$$

$$p = 2\zeta\omega_n = 2$$

$$K = \omega_n^2 = 2$$



## Summary

- Today
  - Test input signals
  - Second-order systems
  - Performance characteristics
- Next class
  - Steady-state error
  - Type number