

Steady State error of a System

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This Lecture Contains

- Steady state error of a system
- Position, Velocity and Acceleration Constants
- Optimal Steady State Error

Steady state error - Introduction

- **Steady state error refers to the long-term behavior of a dynamic system.**
- **The Type of a system is significant to predict the nature of this error.**
- **A system having no pole at the origin is referred as Type-0 system.**
- **Thus, Type-1, refers to one pole at the origin and so on.**
- **It will be shown in this lecture that, it is the type of a system which can directly determine whether a particular command will be followed by a system or not.**
- **We will consider three common commands: namely, step, ramp and parabolic ramp and find out the steady state response/error of a system to follow these commands.**
- **A closed loop control system shows remarkable performance in reducing the steady state error of a system.**

Steady state error of a system

- Error in a system: $E(s) = U(s) / (1+G(s))$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{sU(s)}{1+G(s)}$$

- For a step input

$$e_{ss} = \frac{A}{1+G(0)}$$

- Plant Transfer function $G(s)$ is defined as

$$G(s) = \frac{K \prod_{i=1}^M (s+z_i)}{s^k \prod_{j=1}^N (s+p_j)}$$

Error Constants

- **Position error constant**

$$K_p = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s)$$

- **Steady state error of a step input of magnitude A is $e_{ss} = A/(1+K_p)$**
- **Steady state error will be zero for system with type greater than or equal to 1**

- For ramp input
$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{A}{sG(s)}$$

- Define velocity constant as
$$K_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sG(s)$$

- Hence steady state error is
$$A/K_v$$

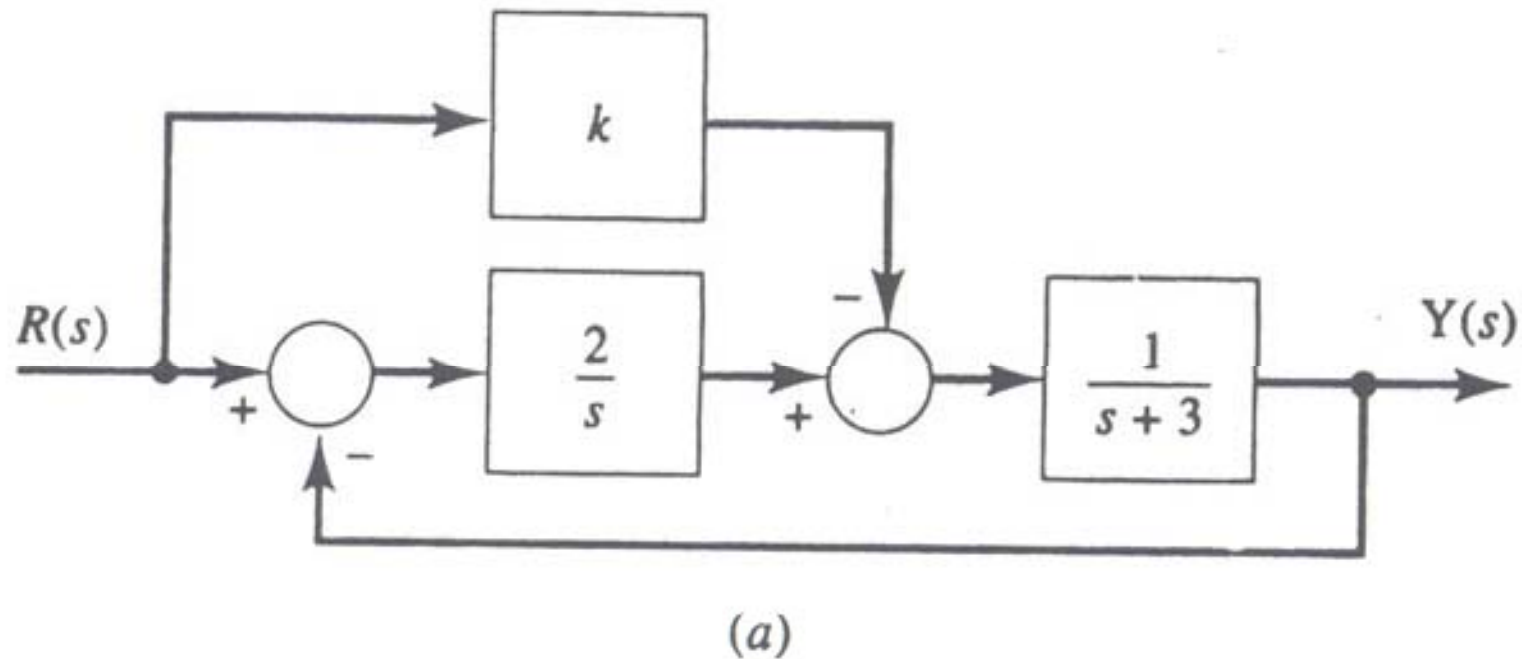
- Error will be zero for k greater than or equal to 2

Summary of Steady State Errors

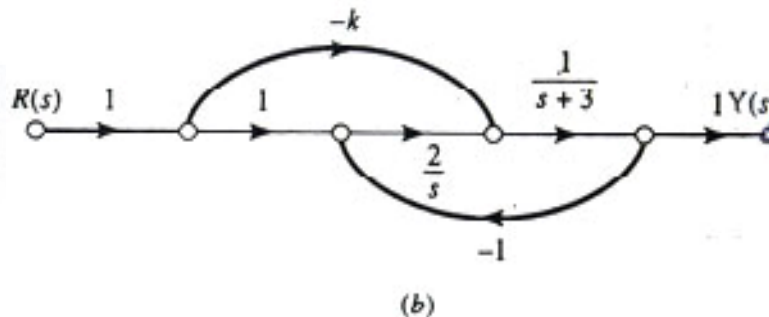
Type	Step (A/s)	Ramp (A/s ²)	Parabolic Ramp (A/s ³)
0	$E_{ss} = A/(1+K_p)$	Inf	Inf
1	0	A/K_v	Inf
2	0	0	A/K_a

Design of Optimal systems

You can chose optimal gain such that the error constant could be minimized.
Consider the following system:



Optimized Gain



$$T(s) = \frac{2 - ks}{s^2 + 3s + 2}$$

This is a Type zero system. Hence, consider step input.

$$E(s) = \frac{A}{s}(1 - T_e(s)) = A\left(\frac{k+2}{s+1} - \frac{k+1}{s+2}\right)$$

$$J(k) = \int_0^{\infty} e^2(t) dt = \frac{A^2}{12}[k^2 + 6k + 11]$$

Note that the Performance index is a quadratic function of gain k , which can be minimized to obtain k .

$$dJ/dk=0 \quad \text{---} \quad k = -3$$

Special References for this lecture

- ***Feedback Control of Dynamic Systems: Frankline, Powell and Emami-Naeini, Pearson Publisher***
- ***Control Systems Engineering: Norman S Nise, John Wiley & Sons***
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