

#2 Recall that

$$\widehat{S_0 v_m} = \frac{i \sin \theta}{h} \widehat{v_m}$$

By discrete Fourier ~~the~~ transform one gets

$$\frac{g^2 - 1}{2k} + R \frac{i \sin \theta}{h} \cdot \frac{g^2 + 4g + 1}{6} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow g^2 - 1 + i \frac{a \lambda \sin \theta}{3} (g^2 + 4g + 1) = 0$$

Setting $b = \frac{a \lambda \sin \theta}{3}$, one gets

$$(1 + ib) g^2 + 4ibg + (-1 + ib) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow g_{1,2} = \frac{-2ib \pm \sqrt{1 - 3b^2}}{1 + ib}$$

Case 1: If $|a \lambda| < \sqrt{3}$, we have $|b| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow 1 - 3b^2 > 0$
Then, $g_1 \neq g_2$ moreover, $\Rightarrow \sqrt{1 - 3b^2}$ is real

$$|g_1|^2 = |g_2|^2 = \frac{4b^2 + (1 - 3b^2)}{1 + b^2} = 1 \Rightarrow \text{stable}$$

Case 2: If $|a \lambda| = \sqrt{3}$, ~~when $\theta \neq \pm \pi$, we still get $|b| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ and~~
~~the analysis is the~~ let $\theta = \pi$ or $-\pi$, then $|b| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ and
hence $g_1 = g_2 = \frac{-2ib}{1 + ib}$. Moreover, $|g_1|^2 = |g_2|^2 = \frac{4b^2}{1 + b^2} = \frac{4/3}{1 + 1/3} = 1$
In other words, we have a repeated root with modulus 1
 \Rightarrow unstable

Case 3 If $|a\lambda| > \sqrt{3}$, set $\theta = \pi$ or $-\pi$.

then $|b| > \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ and hence $1 - 3b^2 < 0$.

Consequently, $\sqrt{1 - 3b^2} = i \sqrt{3b^2 - 1}$
where $\sqrt{3b^2 - 1}$ is real.

In this case, $\beta_1 \neq \beta_2$ and

$$\max(|\beta_1|^2, |\beta_2|^2) = \max\left(\frac{(-2b + \sqrt{3b^2 - 1})^2}{1 + b^2}, \frac{(-2b - \sqrt{3b^2 - 1})^2}{1 + b^2}\right)$$

Without loss of generality, consider the case $b > 0$, then

$$\max(|\beta_1|^2, |\beta_2|^2) = \frac{(-2b - \sqrt{3b^2 - 1})^2}{1 + b^2}$$

$$= \frac{7b^2 - 1 + 4b\sqrt{3b^2 - 1}}{1 + b^2}$$

$$= \frac{(1 + b^2) + [6b^2 - 2 + 4b\sqrt{3b^2 - 1}]}{1 + b^2}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{2(3b^2 - 1) + 4b\sqrt{3b^2 - 1}}{1 + b^2}$$

$$> 1 \quad (\text{Since } b > 0 \text{ and } 3b^2 - 1 > 0)$$

\Rightarrow unstable

(For $b < 0$, the analysis is similar.)