

Control Systems

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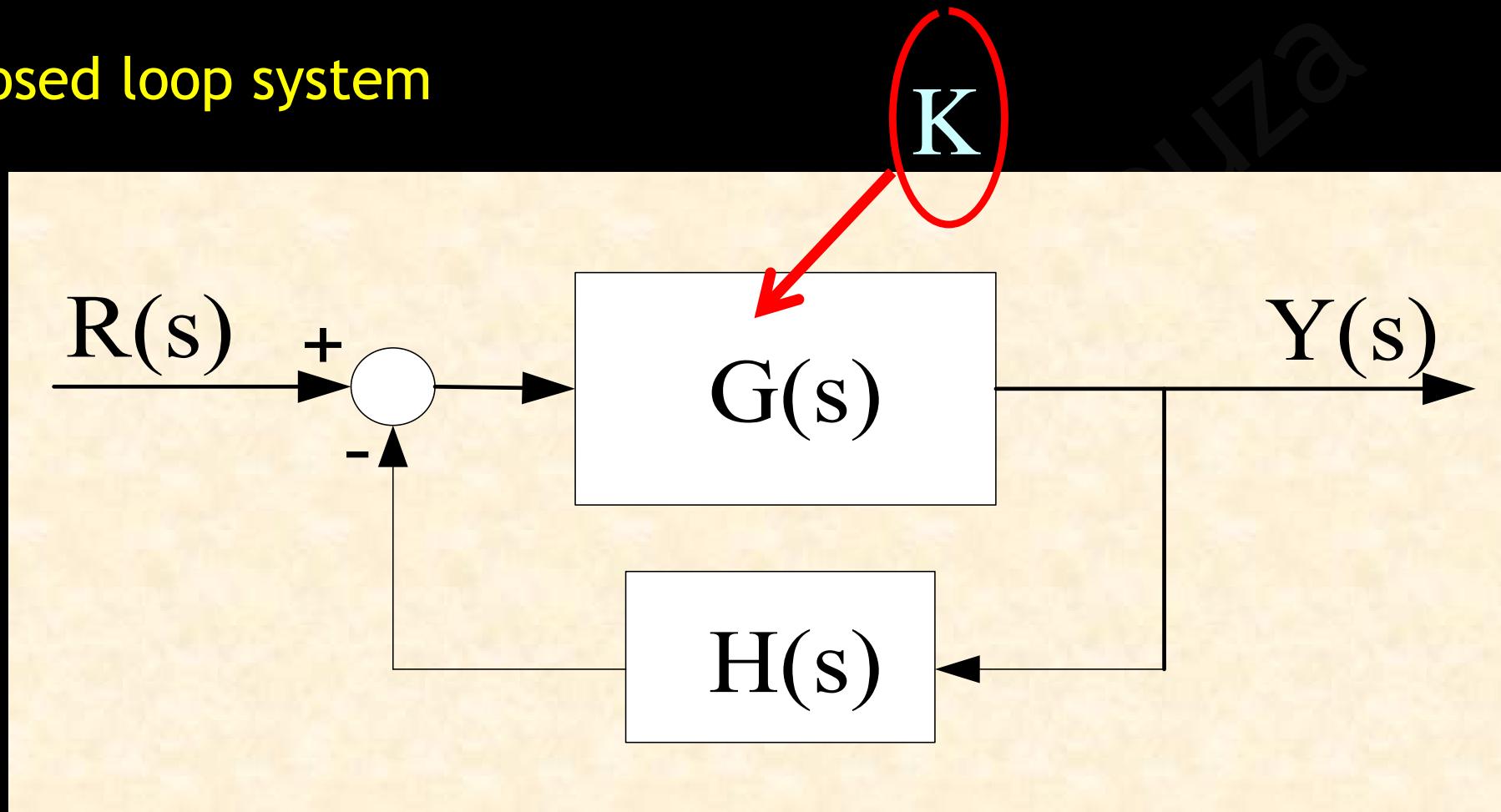
“Root Locus”

part II

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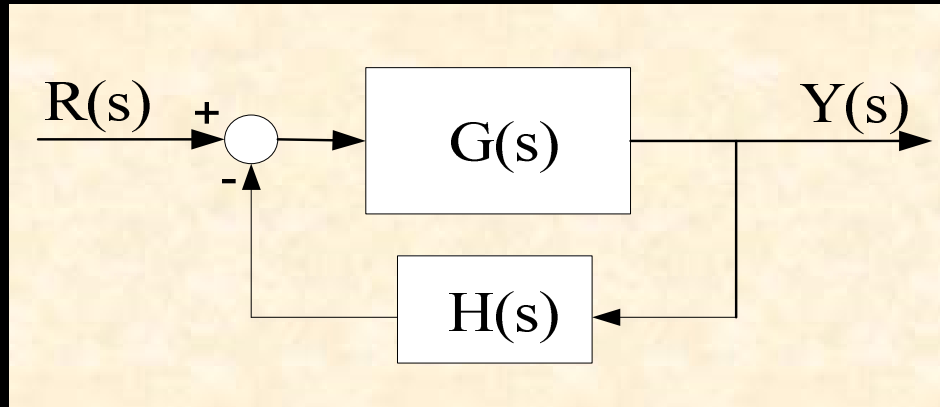
Revising (from part I):

Closed loop system



The “Root Locus” the locus of the poles of the closed loop system, when we vary the value of K

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Thus, the “Root Locus” is drawn in the *complex plane*

It is easy to observe that the “Root Locus” is *SIMETRIC* with respect to the real axis

That is, the *upper part* is a reflex of the *lower part*

It is easy to show that these *roots* of the *characteristic equation* of the CLTF are the same *roots* of

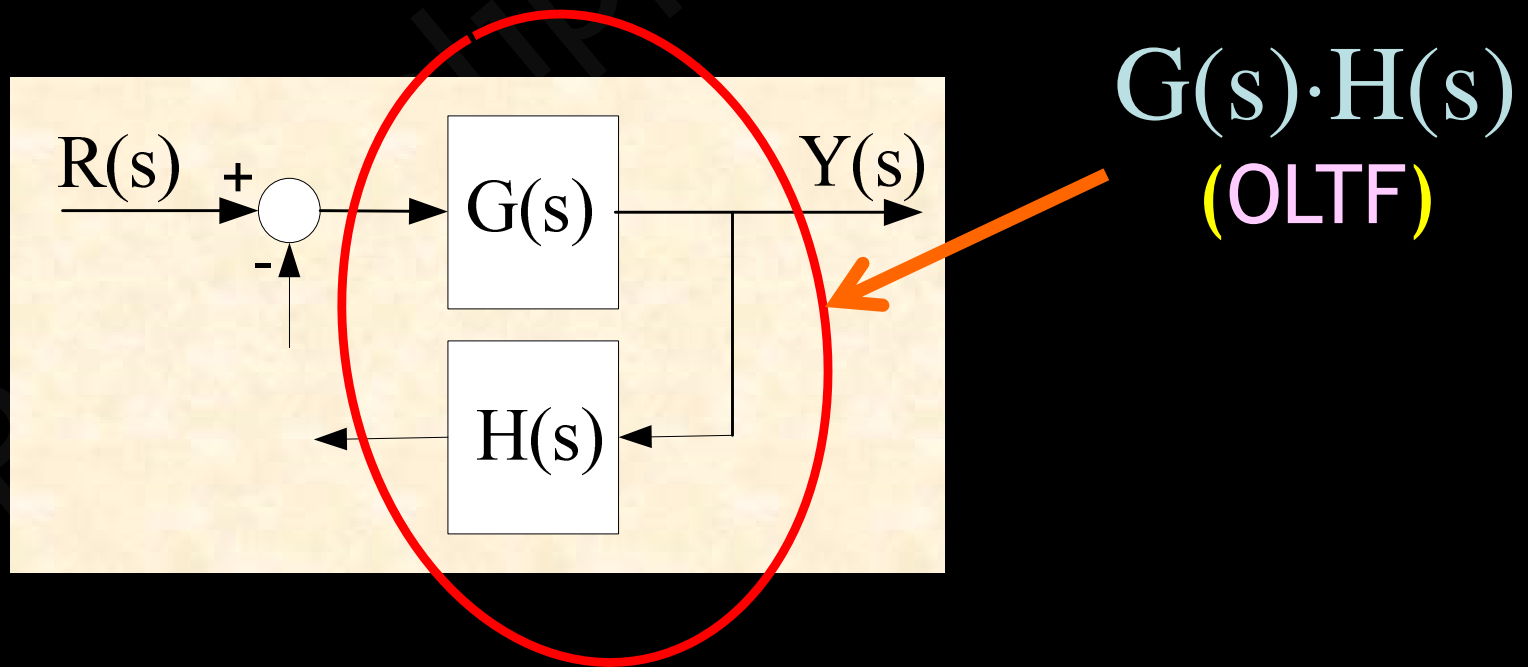
$$1 + G(s) \cdot H(s) = 0$$

Note that the “Root Locus” depend only on the product $G(s) \cdot H(s)$ and not in $G(s)$ or $H(s)$ separately

The expression

$$G(s) \cdot H(s)$$

Is called transfer function of the *system* in *open loop* (OLTF).



Rules for the constructing the “Root Locus”

We shall call

n = the number of open loop poles

m = the number of open loop zeros

Rule #1 - The number of branches

The number of branches n of a “Root Locus” is the number of open loop poles, that is, the number of poles of $G(s) \cdot H(s)$.

$$n = n^{\circ} \text{ branches} = n^{\circ} \text{ poles de } G(s) \cdot H(s)$$

Rule #2 - Intervals with and without “Root Locus” in the *real axis*

A point s in the *real axis* belongs to the “Root Locus” if there is an odd number of open loop poles and zeros which are real and located to the right of s

that is, if there is an odd number of poles and zeros of $G(s) \cdot H(s)$ which are real and located to the right of s

Rule #3 - Beginning and end points of the branches of the “Root Locus”

The n branches of the “Root Locus” begins in the n de open loop *poles*

that is, they start at the n *poles* of $G(s) \cdot H(s)$

m of the n branches of the “Root Locus” end in the m open loop *zeros*

that is, they finish in the m *zeros* of $G(s) \cdot H(s)$

and the remainders:

$(n - m)$ branches of the “Root Locus” finish in the *infinite* (∞)

Rule #4 - Asymptotes in the infinite

For the $(n - m)$ branches of the “Root Locus” that do not end at the m open loop zeros, that is, the m finite zeros of $G(s) \cdot H(s)$, one can determine a direction that they go to *infinite* in the complex plane.

γ = angle of the asymptote with the *real axis*

$$\gamma = \frac{180^\circ \cdot (2i + 1)}{(n - m)}$$

$$i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Rule #5 - Point of intersection of the asymptotes with the *real axis*

The $(n - m)$ asymptotes in the infinite are well determined by its directions (angles γ) and by the point from where they leave the *real axis*, σ_o given by the expression:

$$\sigma_o = \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \text{Re}(p_i) - \sum_{j=1}^m \text{Re}(z_j) \right)}{(n - m)}$$

Rule #6 – Points of the *real axis* where there are *branches crossing*

First the equation is found

$$1 + G(s) \cdot H(s) = 0,$$

thus the expression for K is calculated as function of s :

$$K(s)$$

then the derivative of K with respect to s , dK/ds is found,

Now, using the equation below in s

$$\frac{dK}{ds} = 0$$

we obtain the points s of the *real axis* where the *branches* meet

Rule #7 - Encounter of more than two branches

When applying the *previous rule*, if

$$\left. \frac{d^2 K}{ds^2} \right|_{s=s'} = 0$$

this means that there are encounter of *more than two branches* and we have to keep on the differentiation on $K(s)$, to higher order *derivatives*

$$\frac{d^k K}{ds^k}$$

$$k = 3, 4, 5, \dots$$

until we get

$$\left. \frac{d^\eta K}{ds^\eta} \right|_{s=s'} \neq 0$$

for some η

Rule #7 - Encounter of more than two branches (continued)

If $\left. \frac{d^\eta K}{ds^\eta} \right|_{s=s'} \neq 0$ and $\left. \frac{d^k K}{ds^k} \right|_{s=s'} = 0$ for $\forall k < \eta$

this means that there is a meeting of η branches in s'
that is, η branches arrive and η branches leave s'

In this part II we will see the last rule (Rule #8)
and some examples of Root Locus

Rule #8

Crossing points of the “Root Locus” with the *imaginary axis*

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The use of Routh-Hurwitz table with the closed loop characteristic equation of the system which is obtained from

$$1 + G(s) \cdot H(s) = 0$$

Note that the closed loop characteristic equation obtained will be in function of K , and with it one can form the Routh-Hurwitz table to apply the Routh-Hurwitz stability criterion

To apply the Routh-Hurwitz stability criterion we have to find the values of K that make the pivot column elements of the Routh-Hurwitz table to vanish

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Example 9: Routh-Hurwitz table for a *characteristic equation* as function of K obtained through $1 + G(s) \cdot H(s) = 0$

$$p(s) = s^4 + s^3 + Ks^2 + 3s + (K-10)$$


s^4	1	K	$(K-10)$	
s^3	1	3	0	← etc...
s^2	$(K-3)$	$(K-10)$		← 2 nd line before the last
s^1	$(2K+1)/(K-3)$			← line before the last
s^0	$(K-10)$			← last line


↑
pivot column


Clearly, the only values of $K > 0$ that makes an element of the pivot column to vanish are
 $K = 3$ (in the 2nd line before the last) and
 $K = 10$ (in the last line)

Rule #8 - Crossing points of the “Root Locus” with the *imaginary axis* (continued)

If $\nexists K > 0$ that makes elements pivot column to vanish
 “Root Locus” does not intercept imaginary axis.

If $\exists K > 0$ that makes to vanish the LAST element pivot column
 “Root Locus” intercepts imaginary axis in one point, at origin ($s = 0$).

If $\exists K > 0$ that makes to vanish the element before the LAST pivot column
 “Root Locus” can intercept imaginary axis in two points ($s = \pm j\omega'$).

If $\exists K > 0$ that makes to vanish the 2nd element before LAST pivot column
 “Root Locus” can intercept imaginary axis in three points ($s = 0$ e $s = \pm j\omega'$).

and so forth ...

Rule #8 - Crossing points of the “Root Locus” with the imaginary axis (continued)

In order to know the exact points where the “Root Locus” intercepts the imaginary axis we need to rewrite the *characteristic equation* $p(s)$ substituting K for each of the values of K that makes the elements of pivot column to vanish

After that, we calculate the roots of $p(s)$

In it we will find the eventual *crossing points* of the “Root Locus” with the imaginary axis.

If however, instead of $p(s)$ we calculate the *polynomial* of the *line immediately above* where K makes vanish the pivot column (in Routh-Hurwitz Table), will give us the *crossing points* of the “Root Locus” with the imaginary axis.

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Example 10 Application of Rule #8 –
Crossing points of the “Root Locus” with the *imaginary axis*

Returning to Example 1 (part I), the characteristic equation of the CLTF is given by:

$$s^2 + (2K-4)s + K = 0$$

Setting up the Routh-Hurwitz table (as function of K):

s^2	1	K	
s^1	$(2K - 4)$	$\Rightarrow (2K - 4) = 0$	$\Rightarrow K = 2$
s^0	K	$\Rightarrow K = 0$	

Analysing where there are $K \geq 0$ that makes the elements of pivot column to vanish, we have that “Root Locus” intercepts the *imaginary axis* in 3 points:

at the origin for $K = 0$ and also in $\pm j\omega'$ when $K = 2$

Example 10 (continued)

Application of Rule #8

Now, in order to find the 3 exact values where the “Root Locus” intercepts the *imaginary axis*:

For $K = 0$ (that makes *last line* to vanish), we take polynomial of the *line immediately above* (that is, the *line before the last*) and calculate the roots (in this case the *root*):

$$p(s) = (2K - 4)s = -4s = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{root: } \underline{s = 0}$$

(as previously seen)

For $K = 2$ (that makes the *line before the last* to vanish), we take polynomial of the line immediately above (that is, the *2nd line before the last*) and calculate the roots:

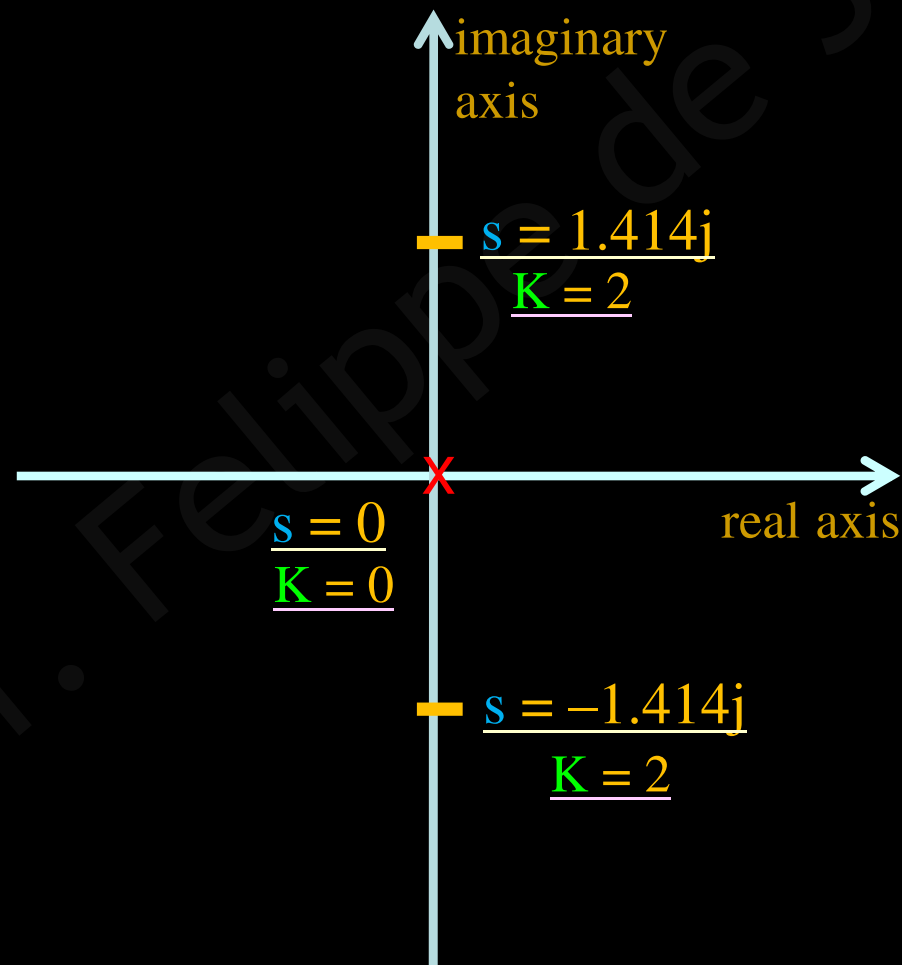
$$p(s) = s^2 + K = s^2 + 2 = 0$$
$$\longrightarrow \quad \text{roots: } \underline{s = \pm 1.414j} \quad (\text{thus, } \underline{\omega' = 1.414})$$

Root Locus part II

Example 10 (continued)

Application of Rule #8

Concluding, this “Root Locus” intercepts the *imaginary axis* in the 3 points shown below



Example 11 Application of Rule #8 – Crossing points of the “Root Locus” with the *imaginary axis*

Consider the system which CLTF is given by

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

by doing:

$$1 + G(s)H(s) = 0$$

we obtain the *characteristic equation* of the CLTF:

$$s^3 + (K+3)s^2 + (4 - 4K)s + (4K+2) = 0$$

Example 11 (continued)

Application of Rule #8

By setting up the Routh-Hurwitz table (as function of K):

s^3	1	$(4-4K)$	
s^2	$(K+3)$	$(4K+2)$	
s^1	$(-4K^2-12K+10)/(K+3)$	$\Rightarrow -4K^2-12K+10 = 0$	
s^0	$(4K+2)$	$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} K = -3.68 \\ K = 0.679 \end{cases}$	

pivot column

The only value of $K > 0$ that makes elements of pivot column to vanish is $K \cong 0.68$

This “Root Locus” intercepts the *imaginary axis* in 2 points ($\pm j\omega'$) for $K \cong 0.68$

Example 11 (continued)

Application of Rule #8

Now, in order to find these 2 values ($\pm j\omega'$) where the “Root Locus” intercept the *imaginary axis* when $\underline{K \cong 0.68}$, we take the polynomial of the *line immediately above* (that is, the *line before the last*) and calculates the roots:

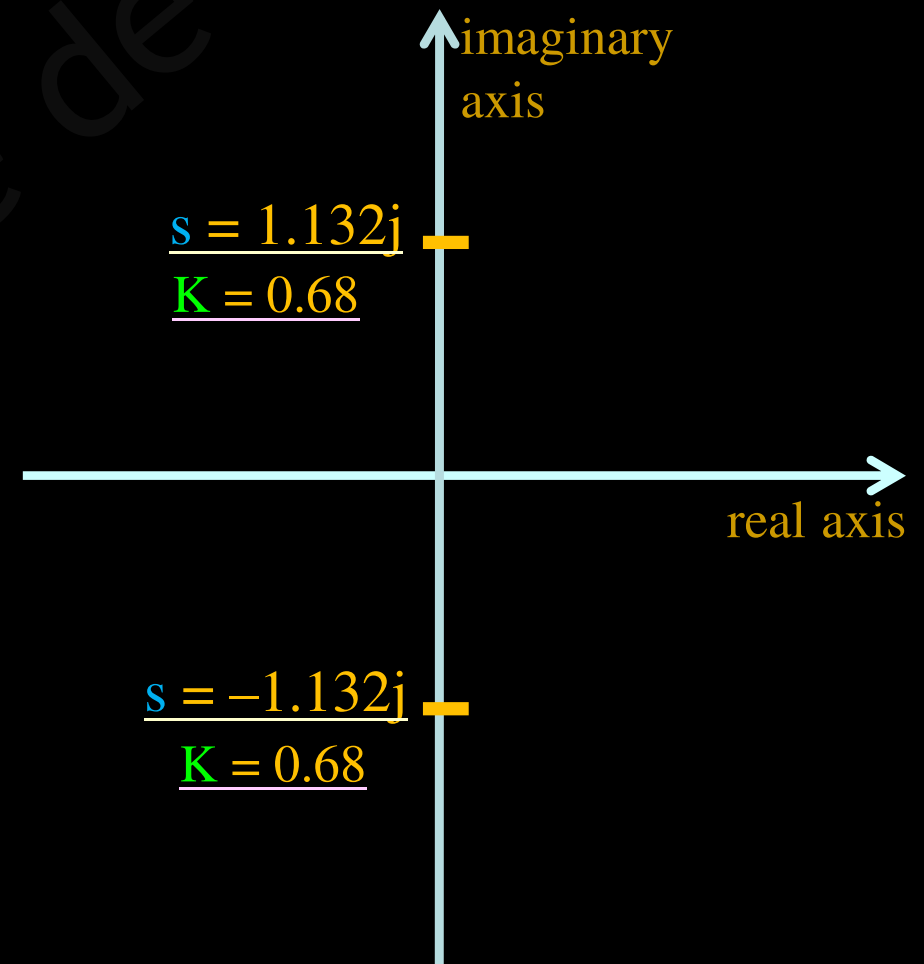
$$p(s) = (K+3)s^2 + (4K+2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3.68s^2 + 4.72 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{roots: } \underline{s = \pm 1.132j}$$

 (thus, $\underline{\omega' = 1.132}$)

Concluding, this “Root Locus” intercepts the *imaginary axis* in 2 points shown here in the graph



Examples

Sketch of the Root Locus
(Application of all the rules)

Example 12:

Sketching the complete “Root Locus” of the system of Example 4

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{K \cdot (2s + 1)}{(s - 4)s}$$

$$n = 2$$

$$m = 1$$

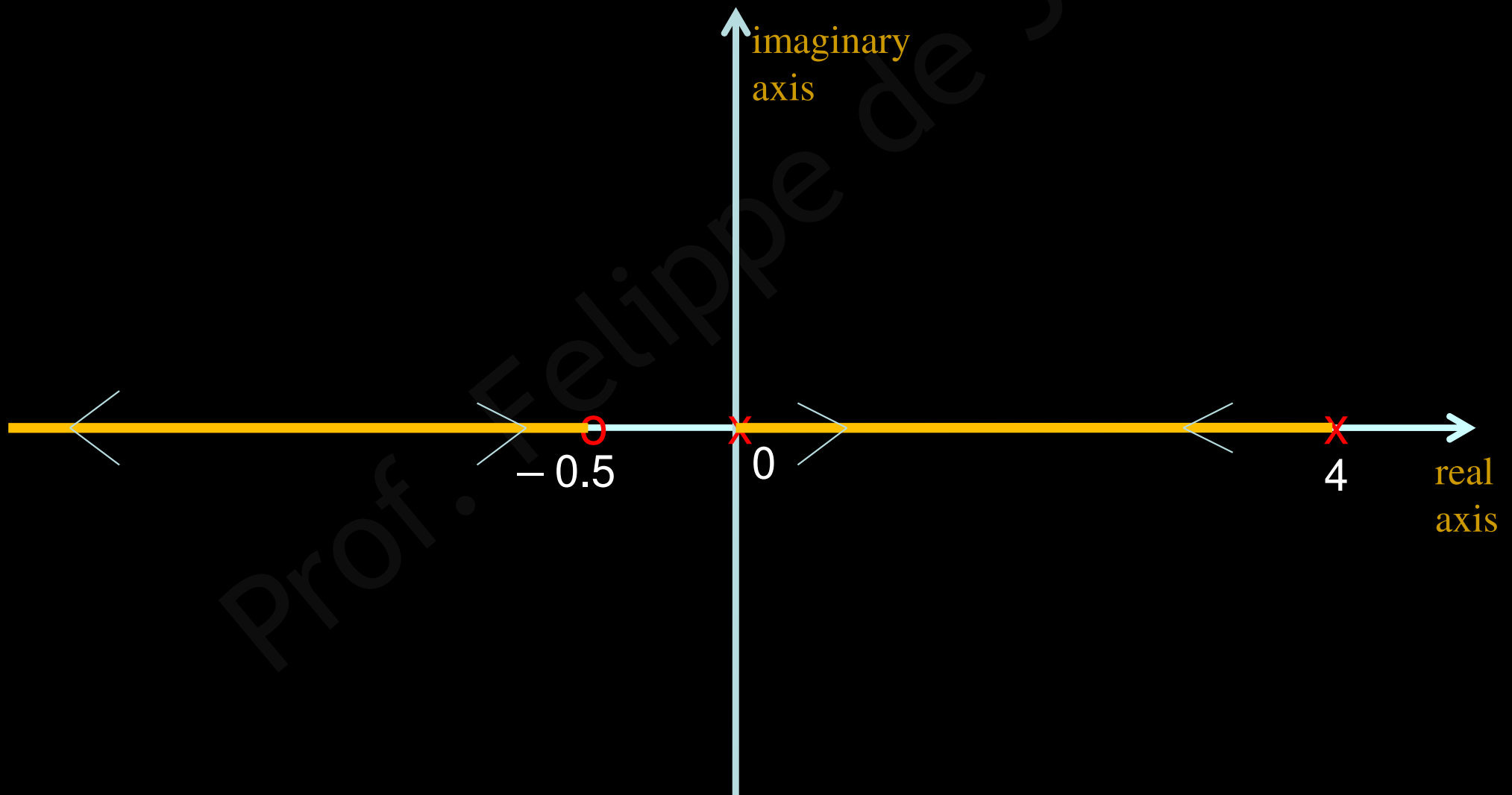
This “Root Locus” has 2 branches (*Rule #1*)

This *C.L. system* has already appeared in Examples 1 and 6 (*part I*) and 10 (here in *part II*)

Root Locus part II

Example 12 (continued)

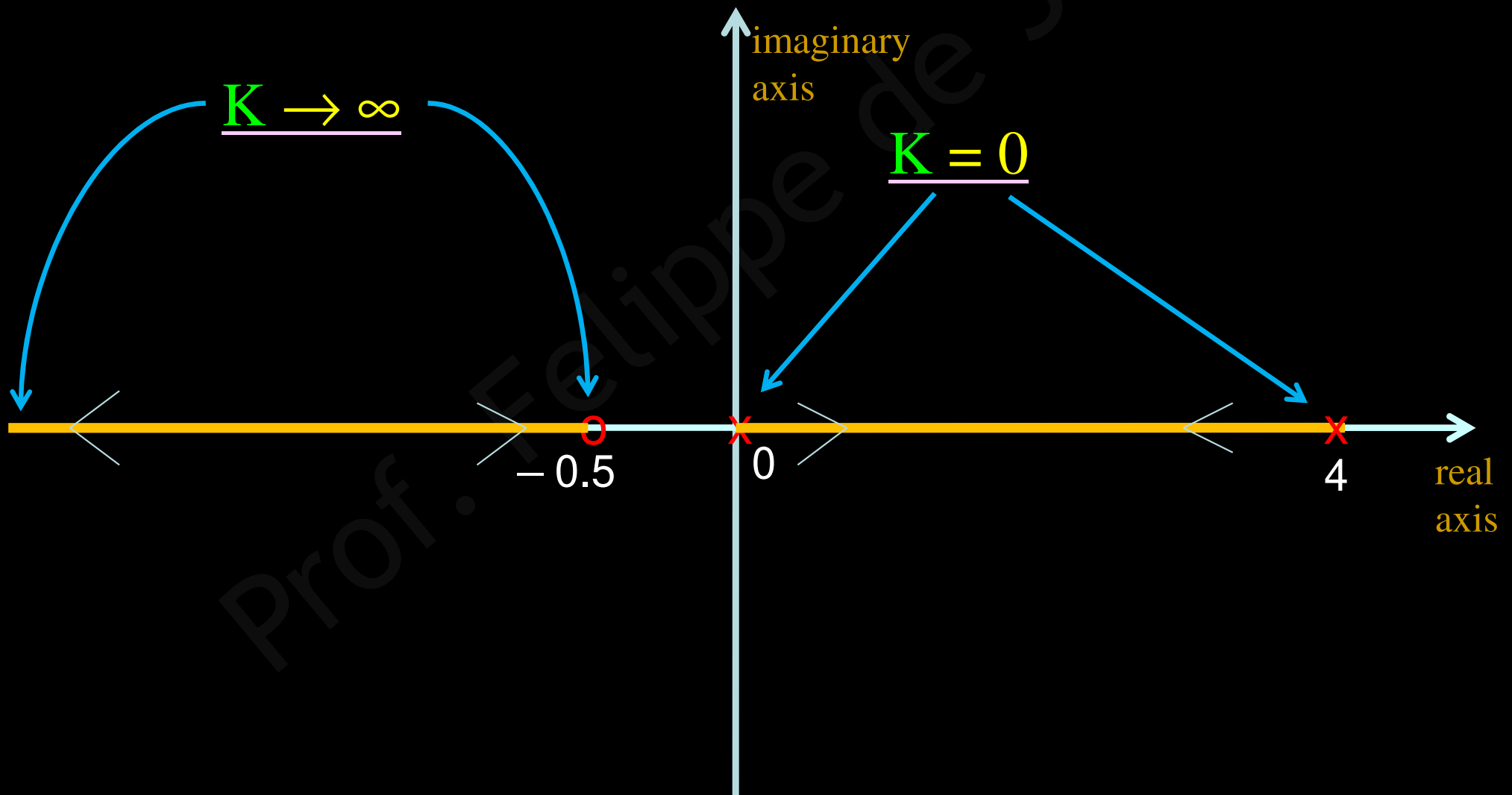
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Root Locus part II

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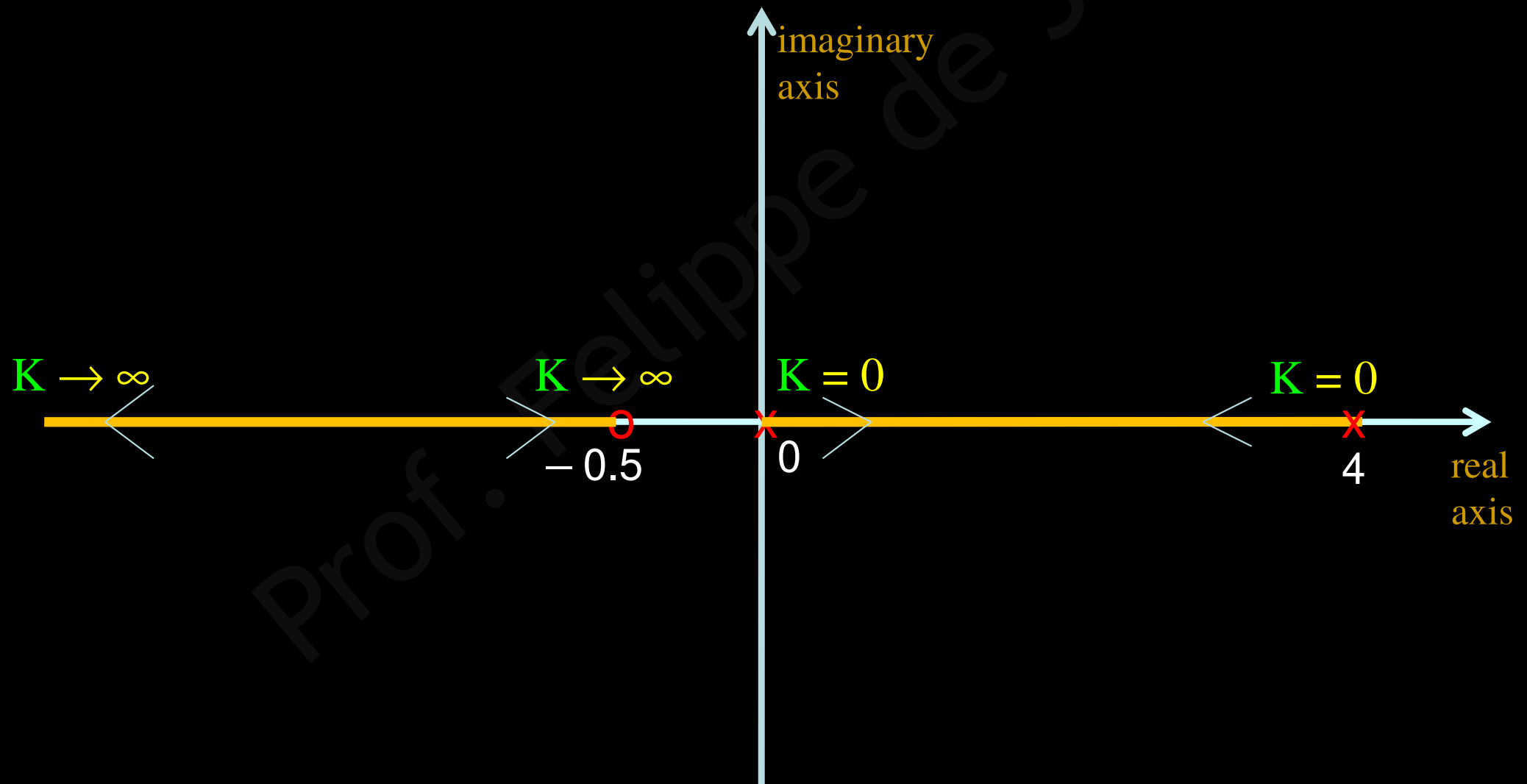
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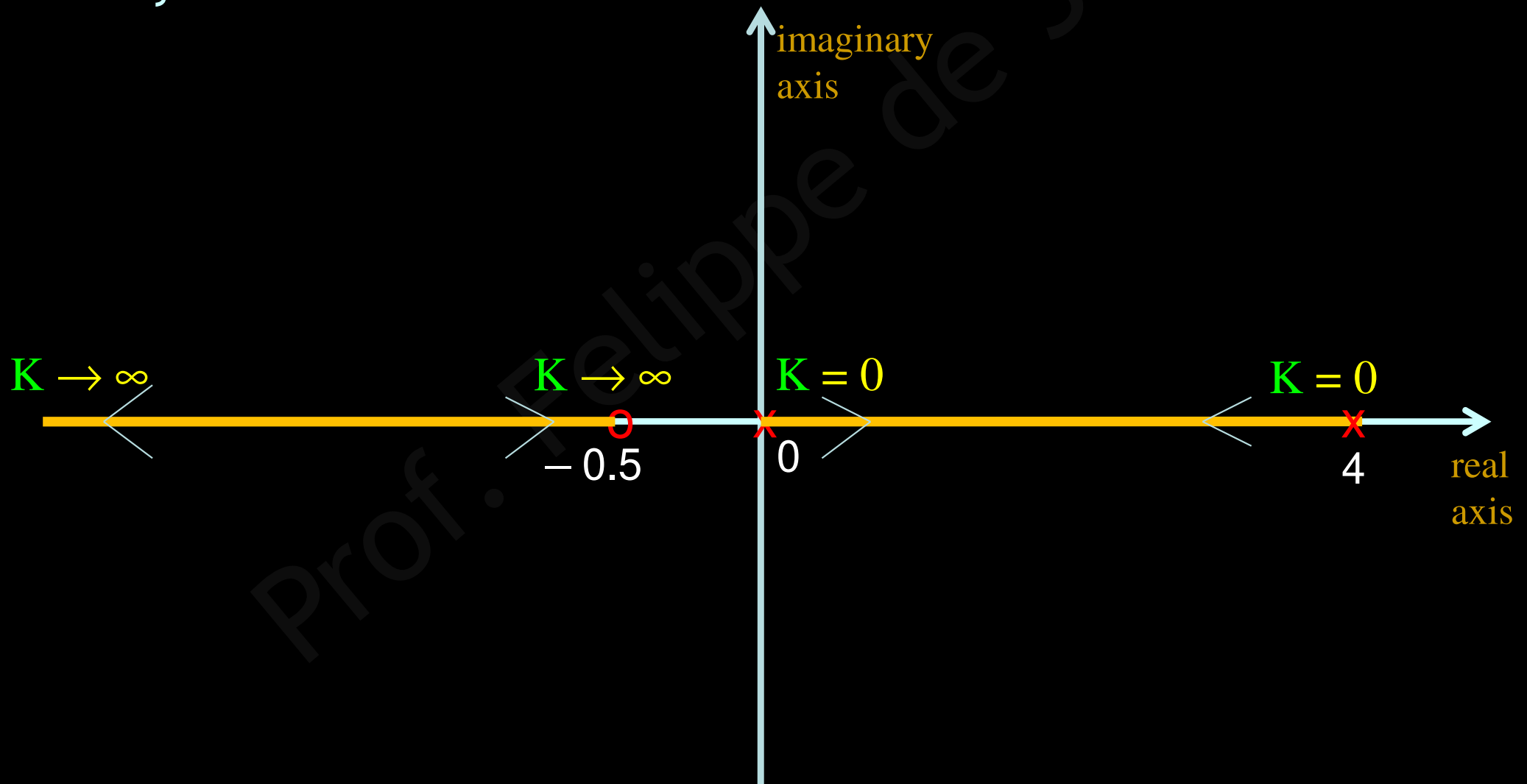


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Example 12 (continued)

The only *asymptote* at the *infinite* occurs in $\gamma = 180^\circ$ (*Rule #4*).

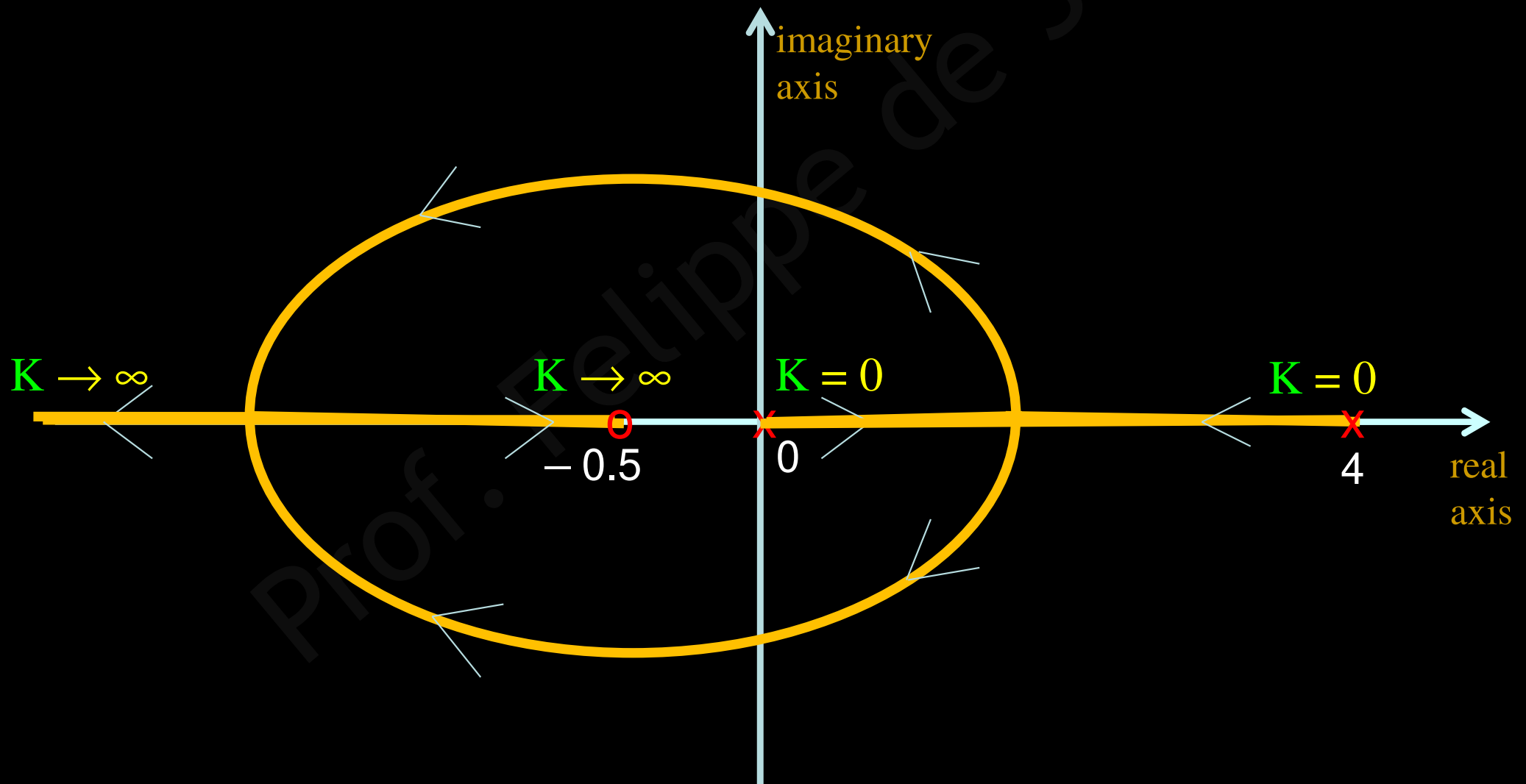
The *meeting point* of the *asymptote* $\sigma_o = 4.5$ (*Rule #5*), although in this case it is not necessary since the Root Locus lies entirely in the *real axis*.



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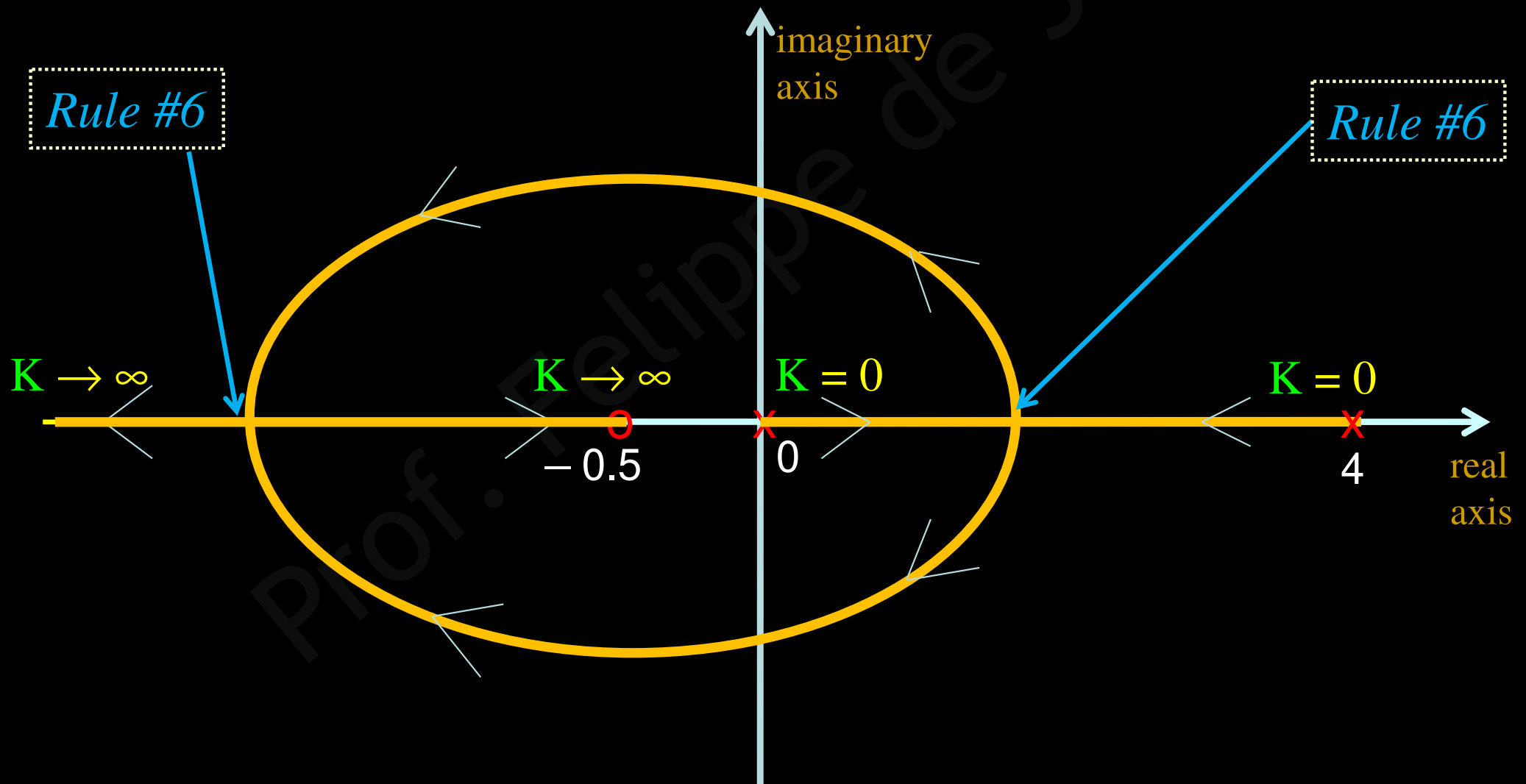
It is already possible to predict that **2 branches** meet on the **right** and **LEAVE** the **real axis** to meet again on the **left** when they **ENTER** the **real axis** again.



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Example 12 (continued)

However, only by *Rule #6* it will be possible to exactly determine what these *points* are

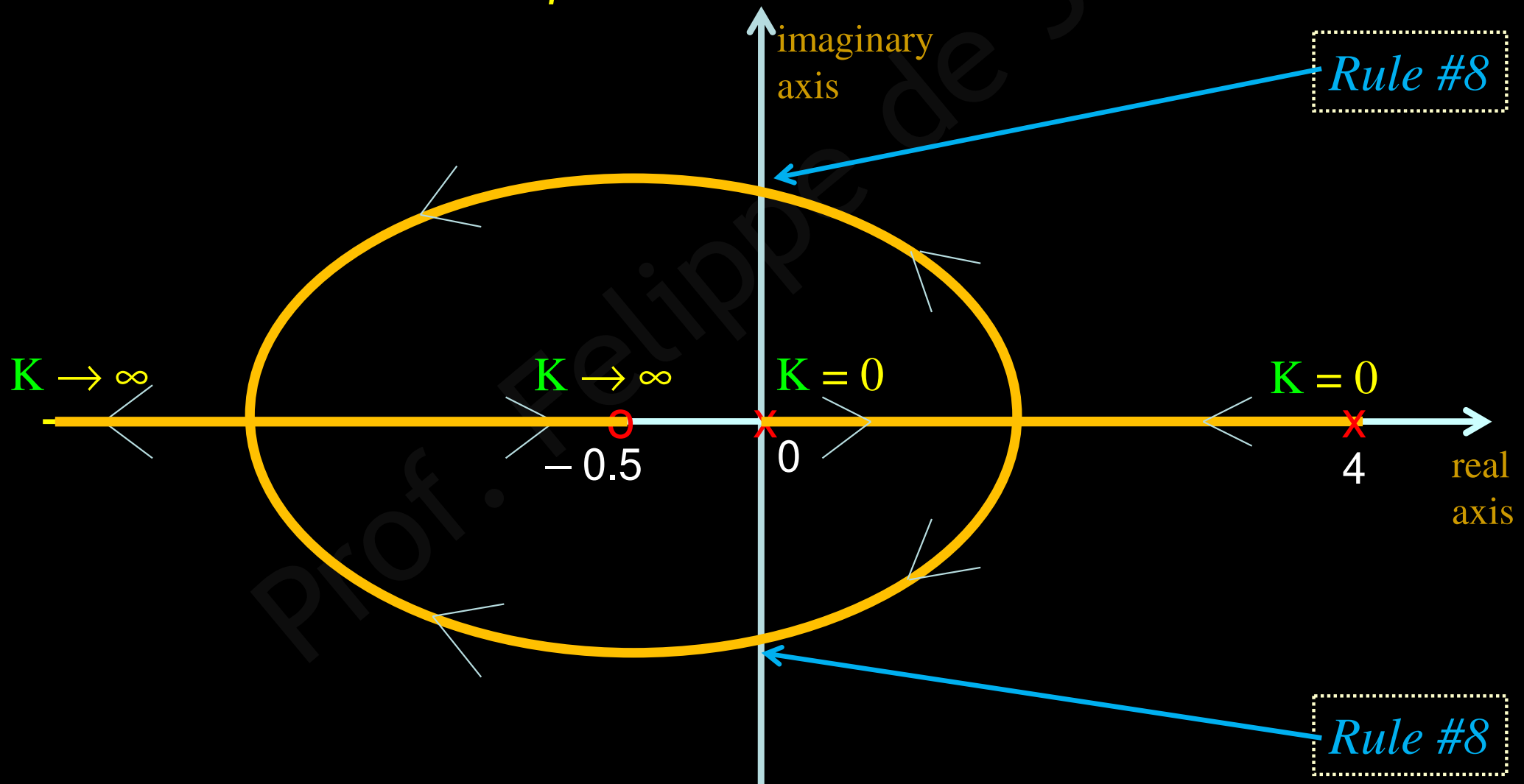


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Example 12 (continued)

On the other hand, it is already possible to predict that the 2 *branches* intercept the imaginary axis

However, only by *Rule #8* it will be possible to exactly determine where these *interceptions* occur

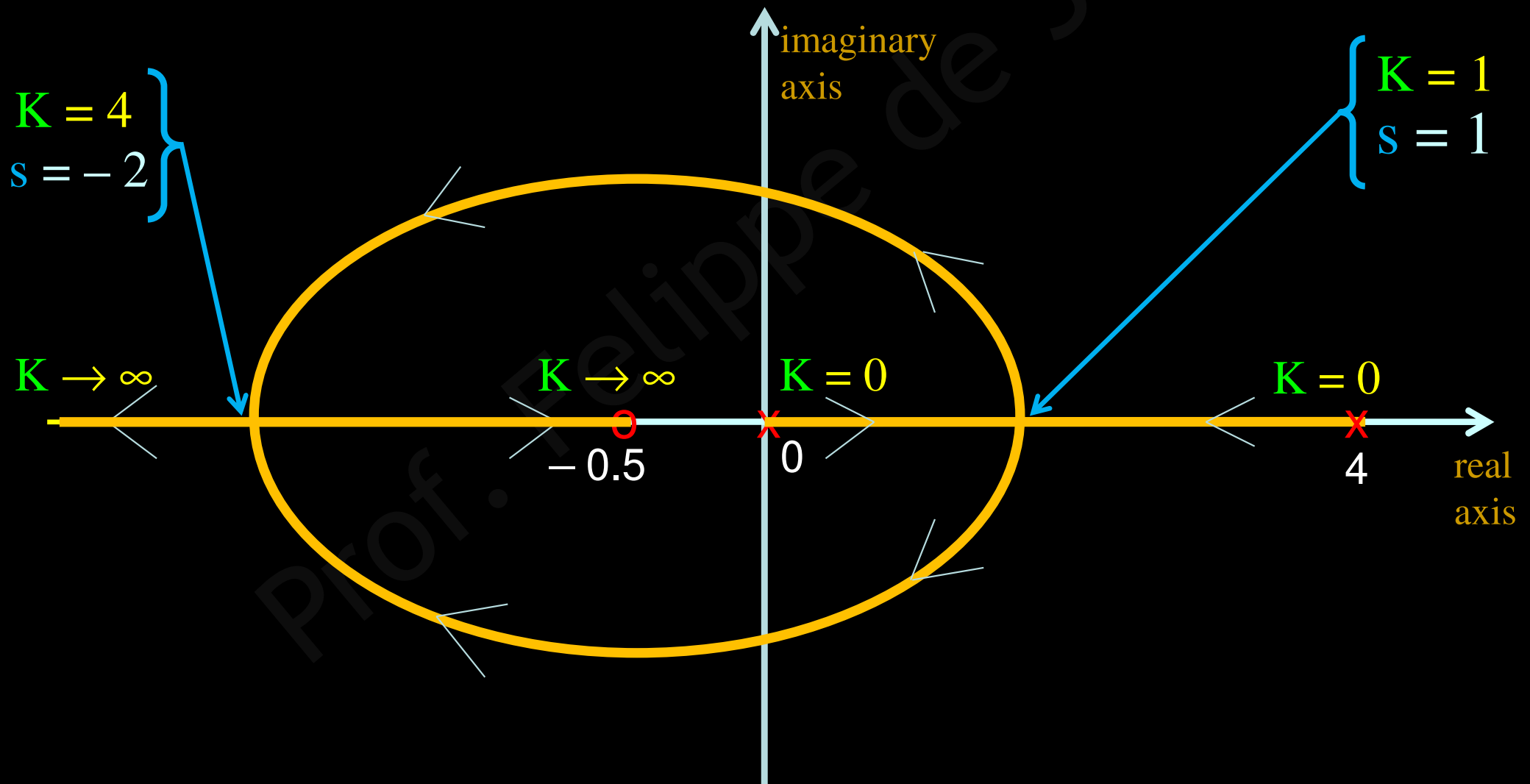


Root Locus part II

Example 12 (continued)

As we have seen (Example 6, parte 1), the *points* where branches *meet* in the *real axis* (Rule #6) are:

$$\underline{s = 1} \text{ (for } \underline{K = 1}) \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{s = -2} \text{ (for } \underline{K = 4})$$

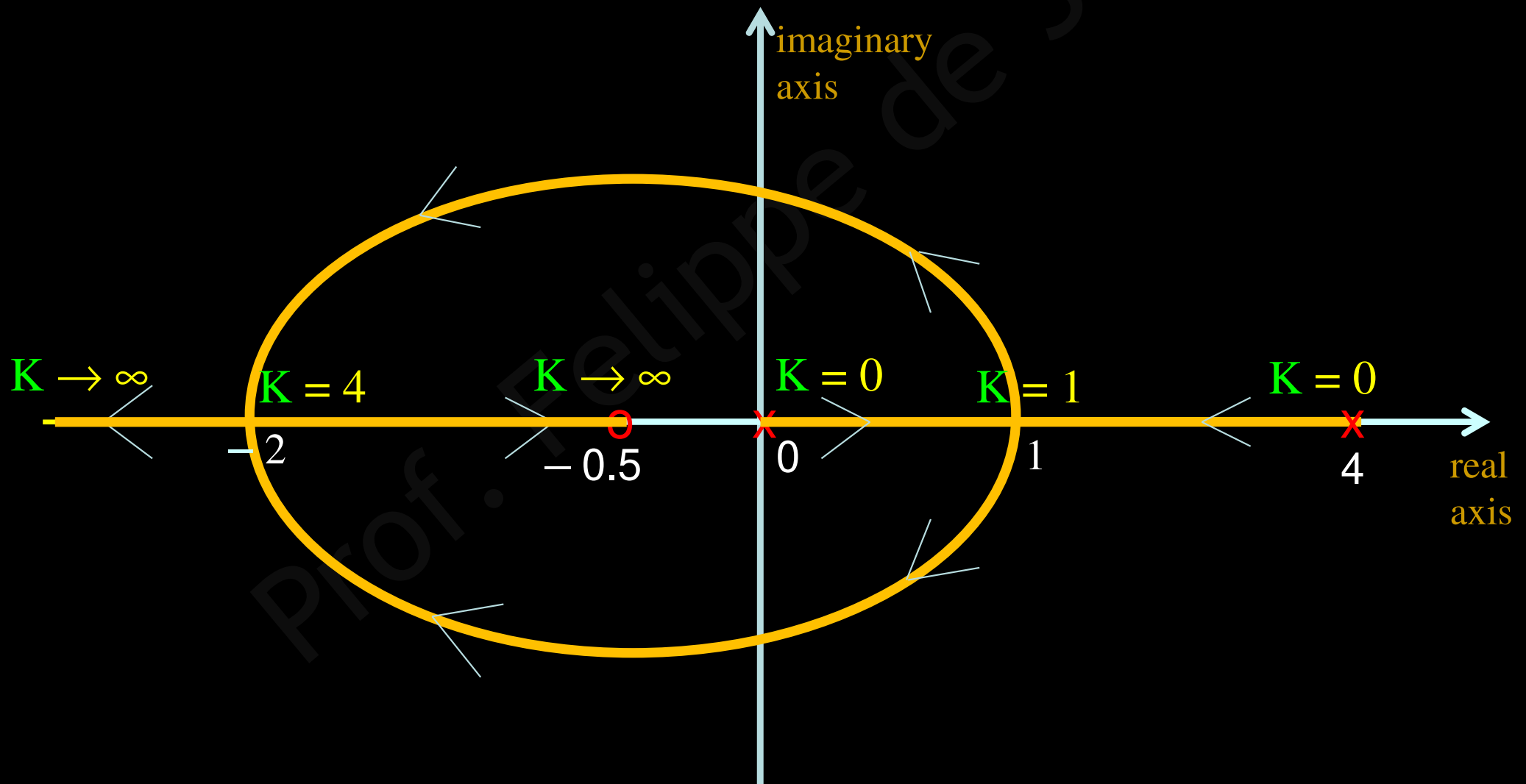


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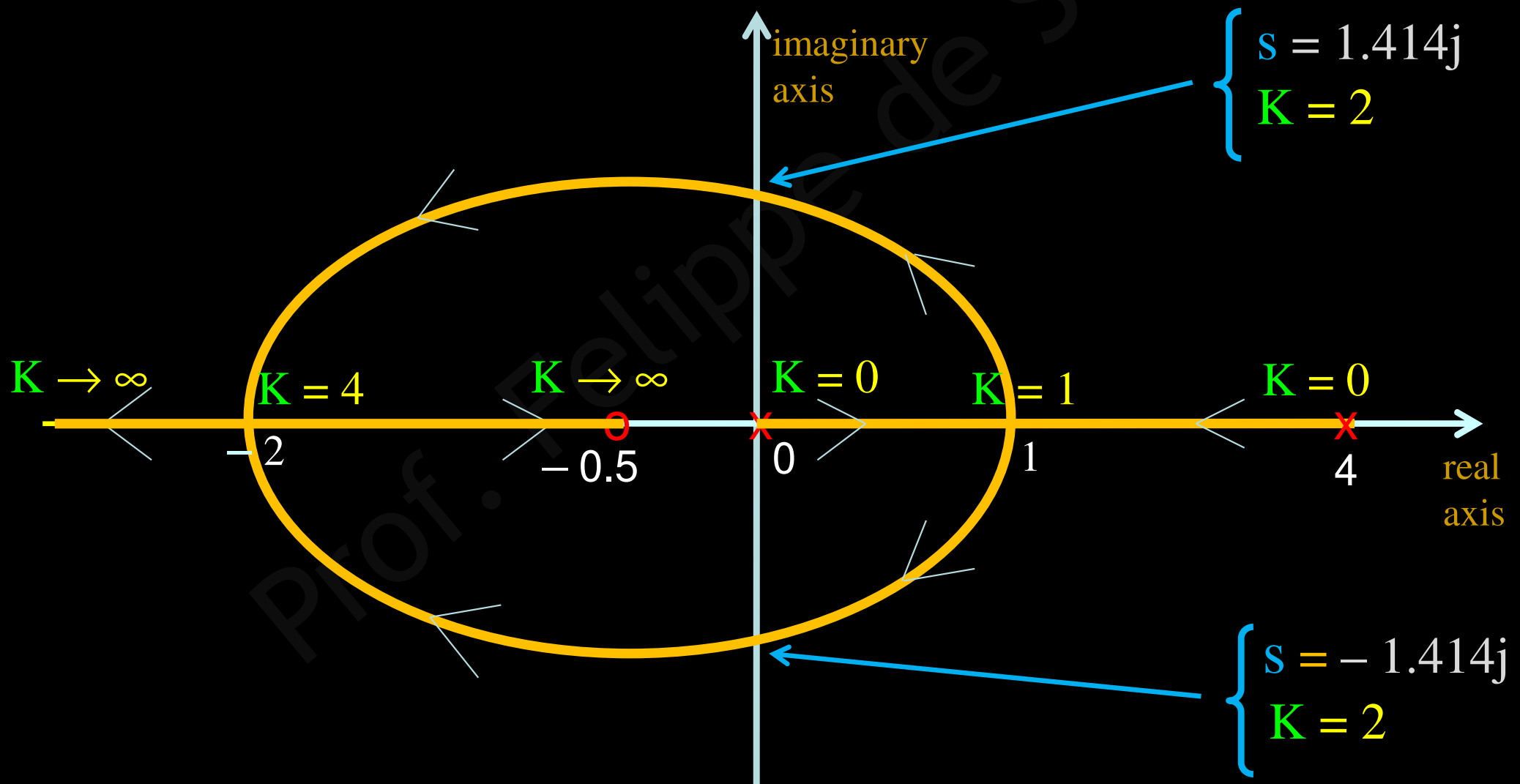


Root Locus part II

Example 12 (continued)

As we have seen (Example 10), the *meeting points* with *imaginary axis* (*Rule #8*) are:

$$\underline{s = \pm 1.414j} \quad (\text{for } \underline{K = 2})$$

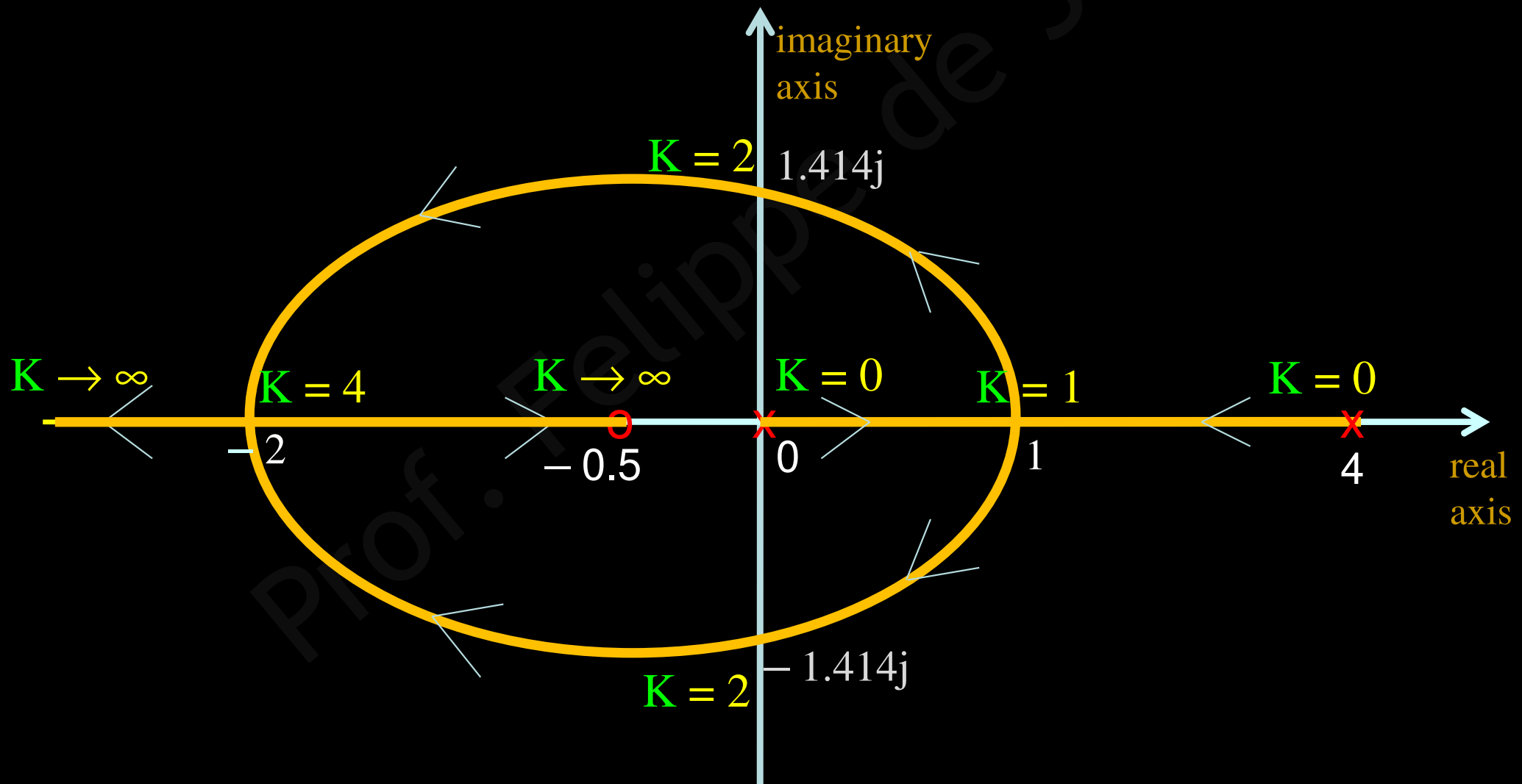


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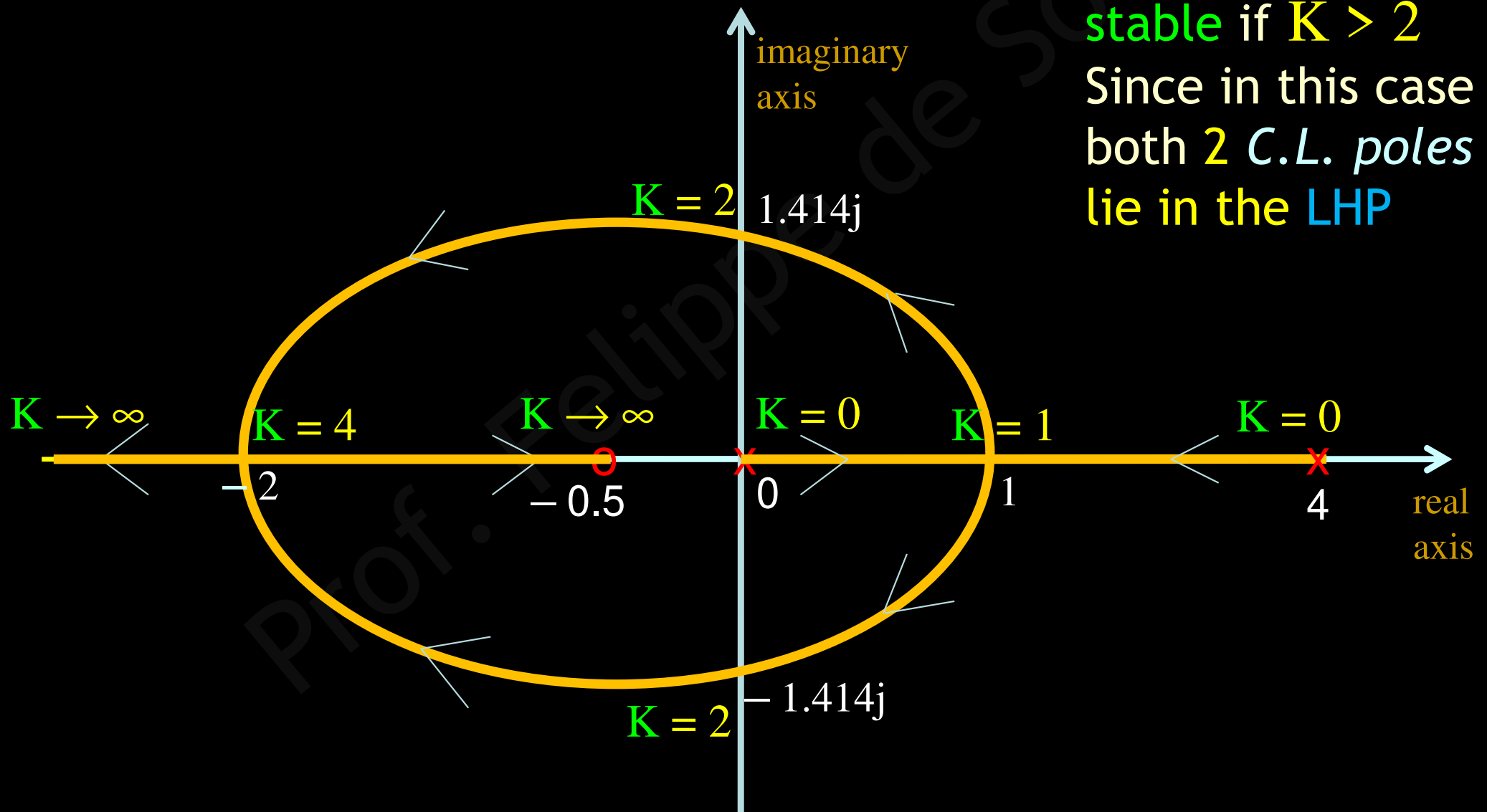


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Example 12 (continued)

and the “Root Locus” now is complete.

Observe that the *C.L. system is stable* if $K > 2$
Since in this case both *2 C.L. poles* lie in the *LHP*



Example 13:

Sketching the “Root Locus” for

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{K}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)}$$

$$n = 3$$

$$m = 0$$

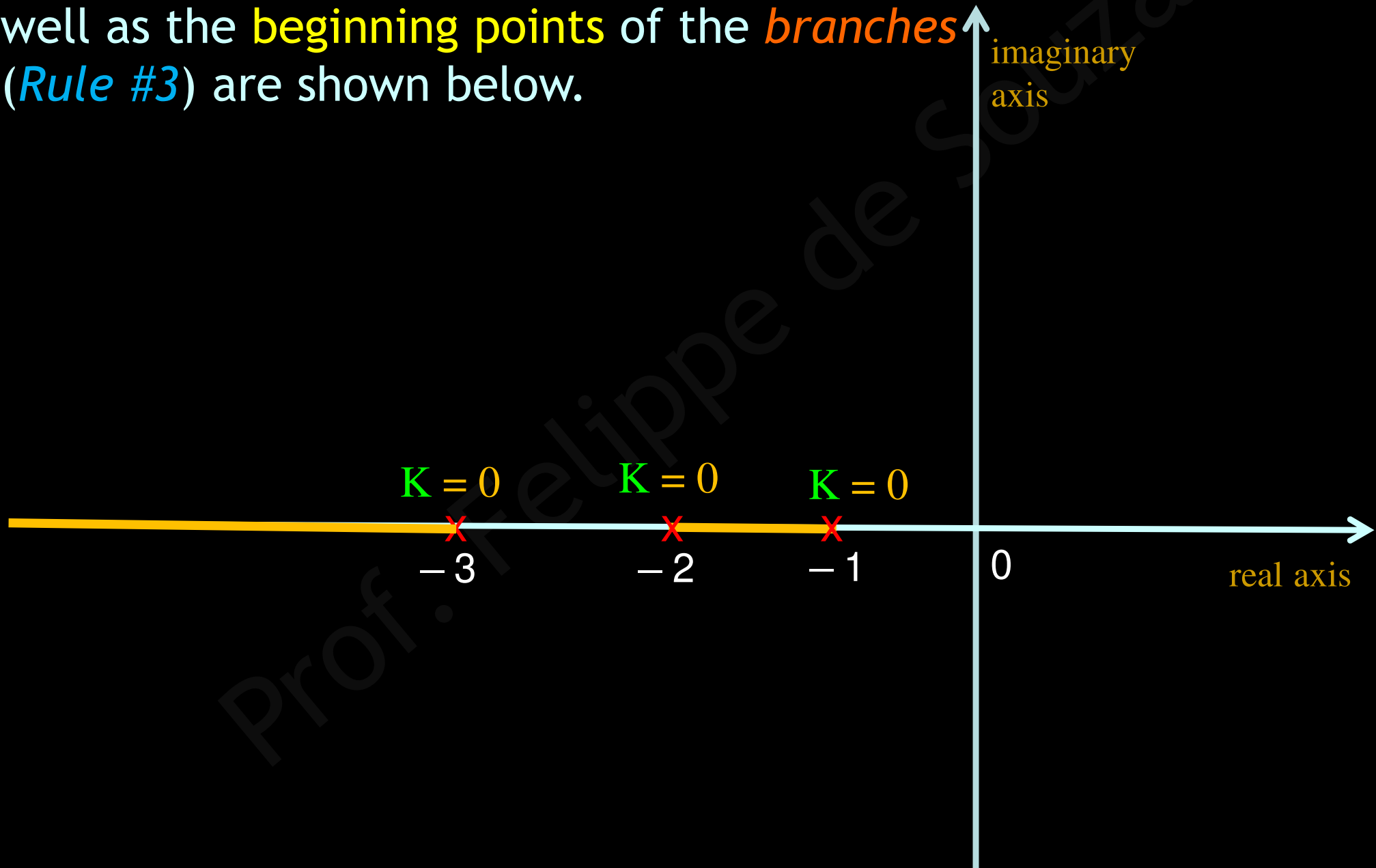
This “Root Locus” has 3 branches (*Rule #1*)

We have already seen this *C.L. system* in Examples 5 and 7 (part I)

Root Locus part II

Example 13 (continued)

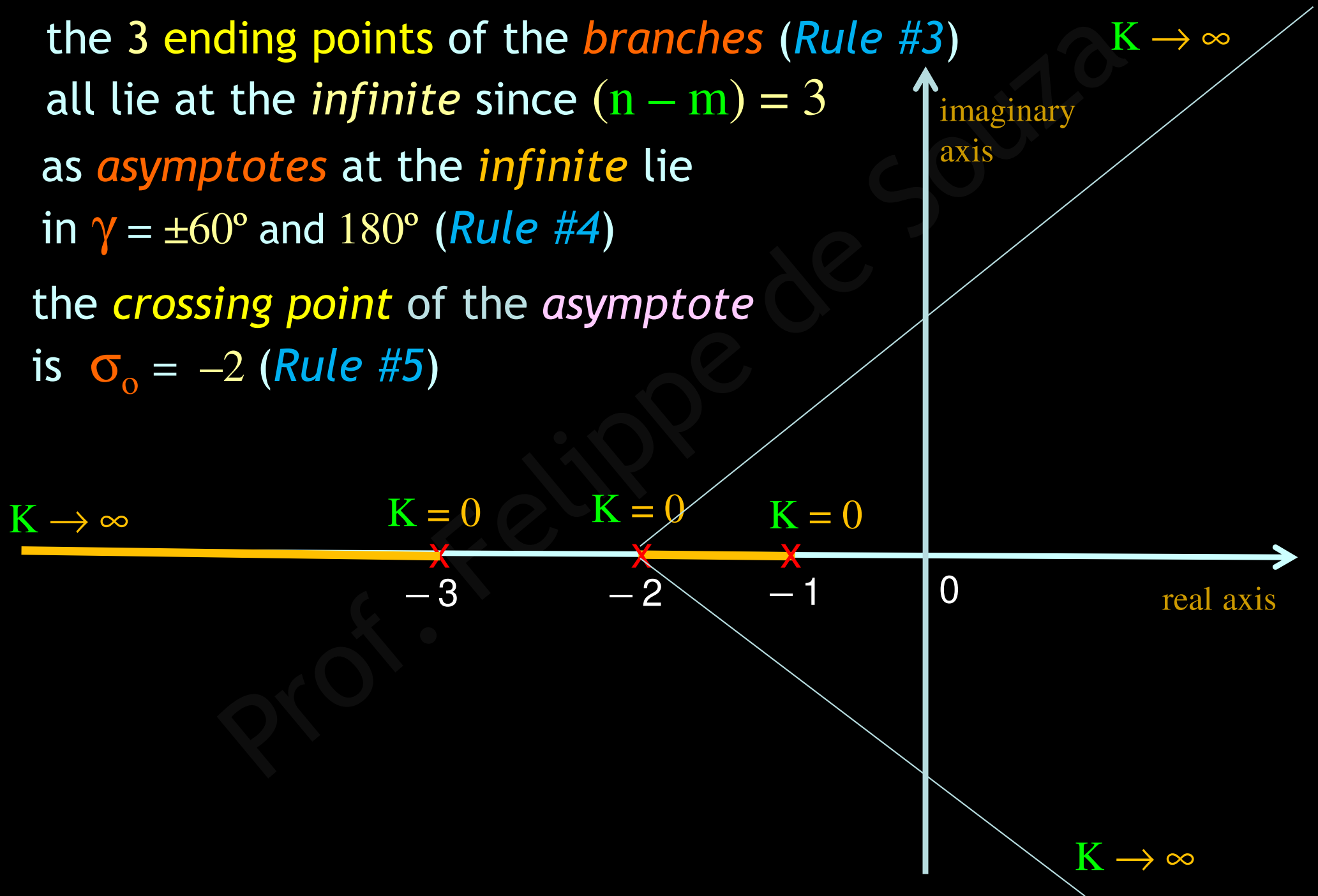
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Root Locus part II

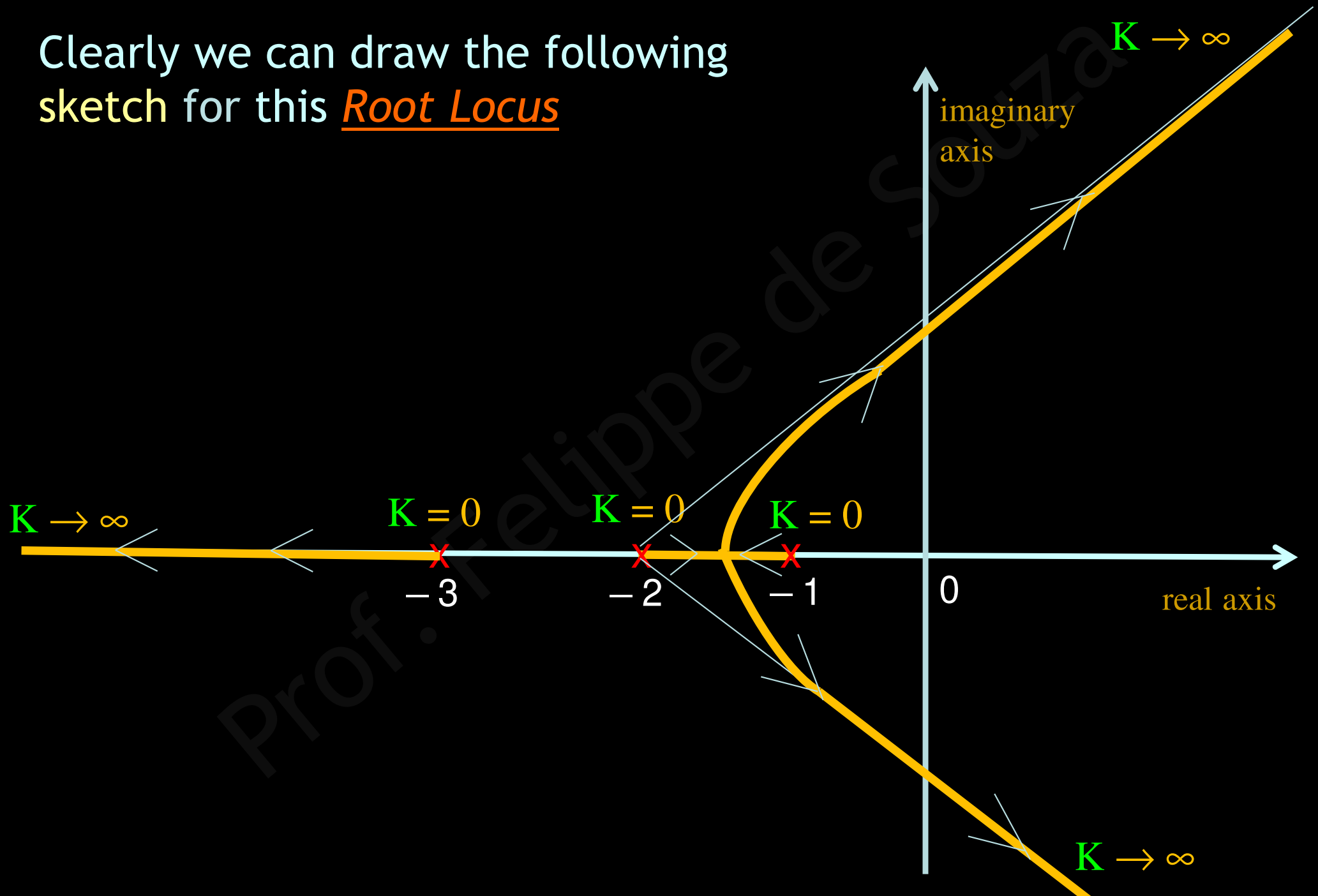
Example 13 (continued)

the 3 ending points of the *branches* (Rule #3) all lie at the *infinite* since $(n - m) = 3$ as *asymptotes* at the *infinite* lie in $\gamma = \pm 60^\circ$ and 180° (Rule #4)
the *crossing point* of the *asymptote* is $\sigma_0 = -2$ (Rule #5)



Example 13 (continued)

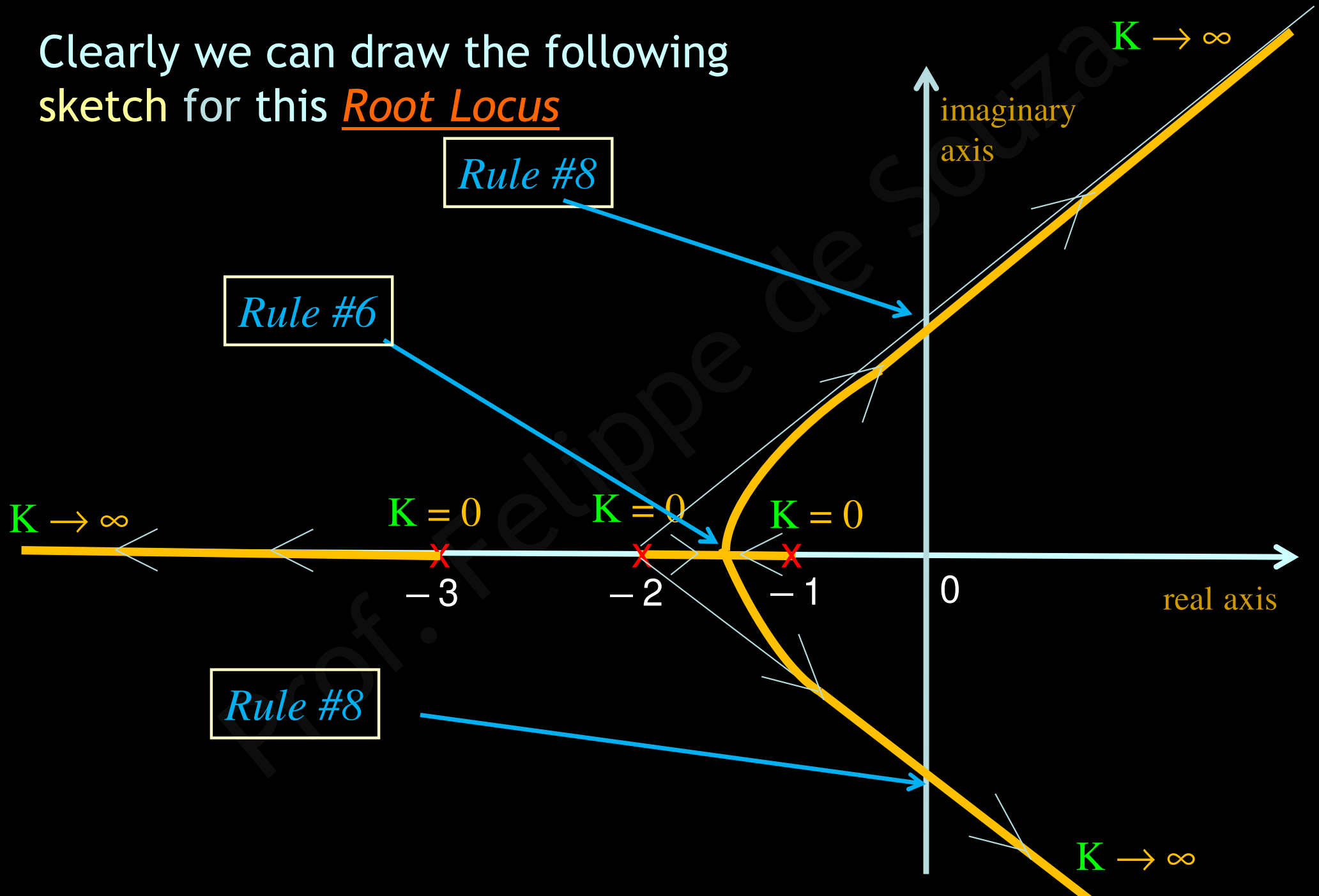
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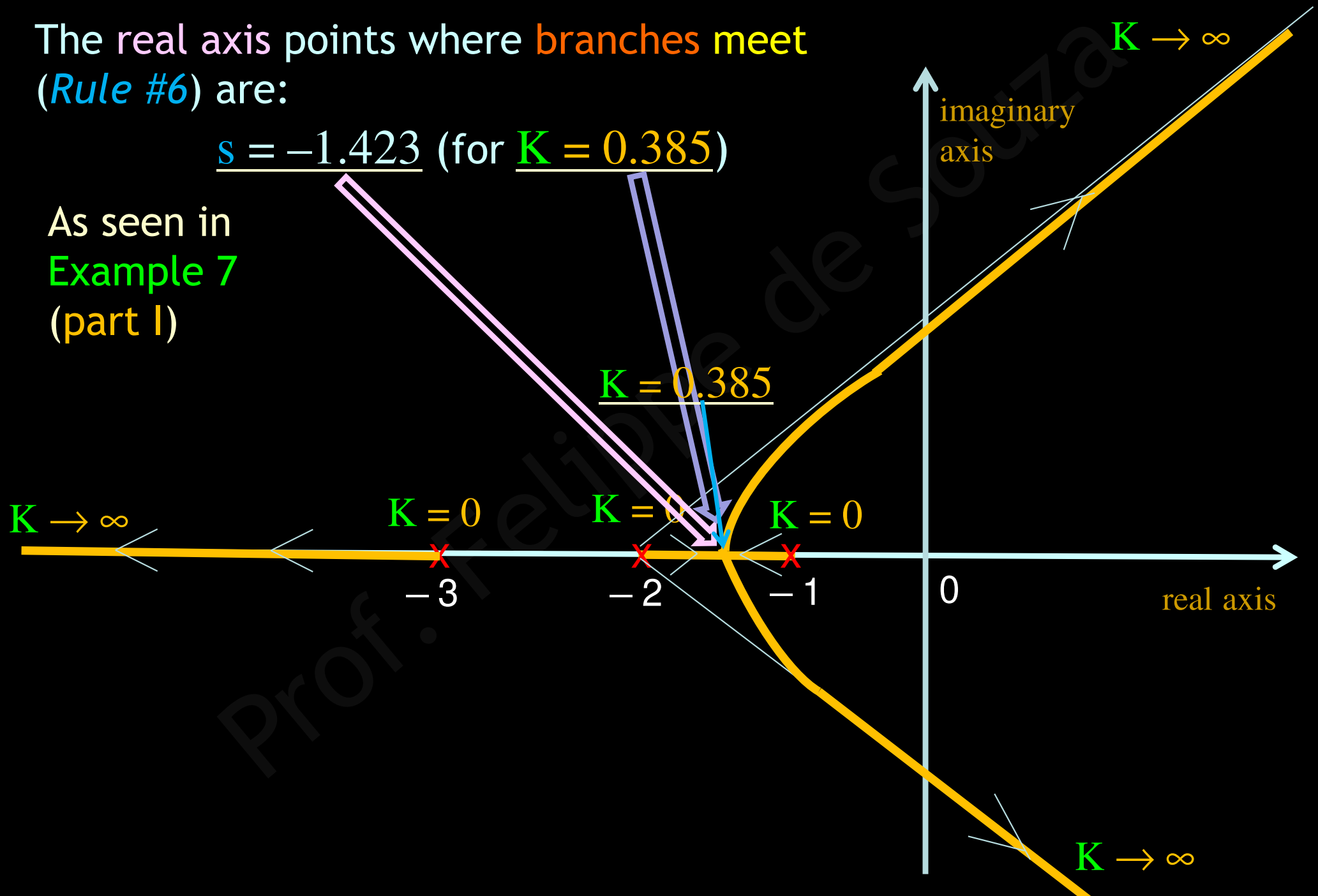
Root Locus part II

Example 13 (continued)

The real axis points where branches meet (Rule #6) are:

$$s = -1.423 \text{ (for } K = 0.385\text{)}$$

As seen in
Example 7
(part I)

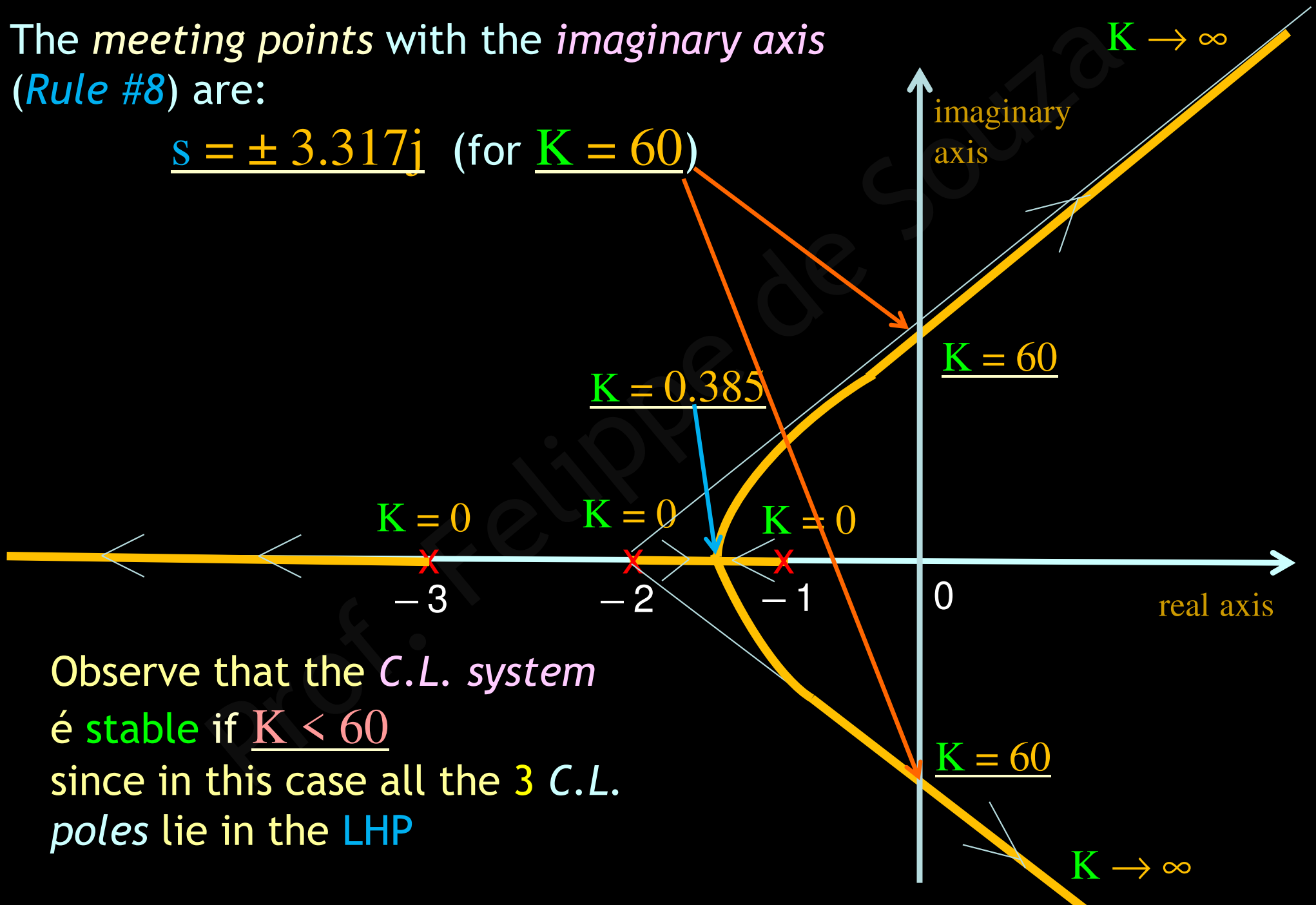


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Example 13 (continued)

The *meeting points* with the *imaginary axis* (*Rule #8*) are:

$$\underline{s = \pm 3.317j} \text{ (for } \underline{K = 60})$$



Observe that the *C.L. system* is *stable* if $\underline{K < 60}$ since in this case all the 3 *C.L. poles* lie in the *LHP*

Example 14:

Sketching the “Root Locus” for

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

$$n = 3$$

$$m = 2$$

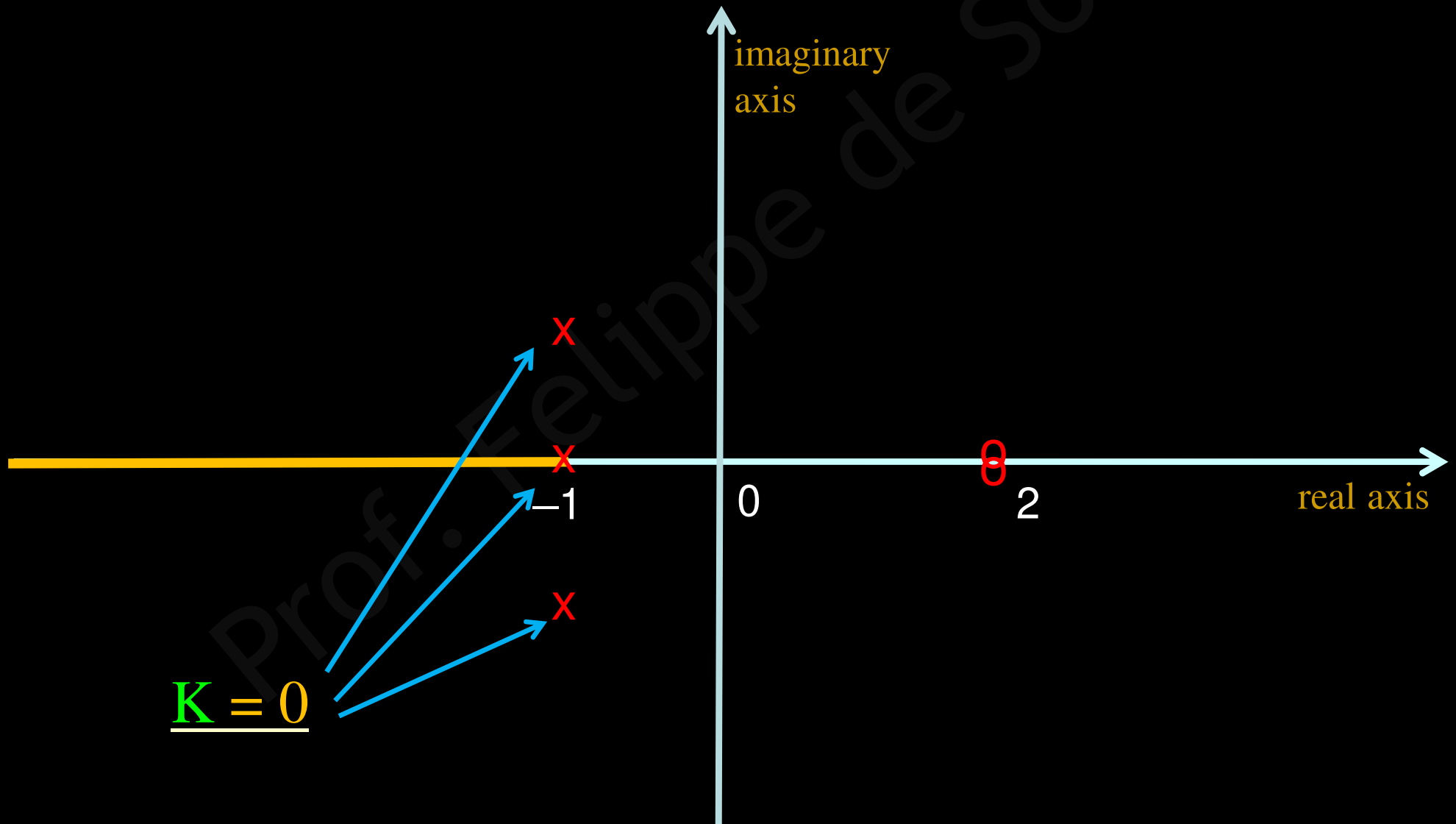
This “Root Locus” has 3 branches (*Rule #1*)

We have already seen this *C.L. system* in Example 11 (here in part II)

Root Locus part II

Example 14 (continued)

The intervals on the *real axis* (*Rule #2*), as well as *beginning* and *ending points* of the *branches* (*Rule #3*) are shown below

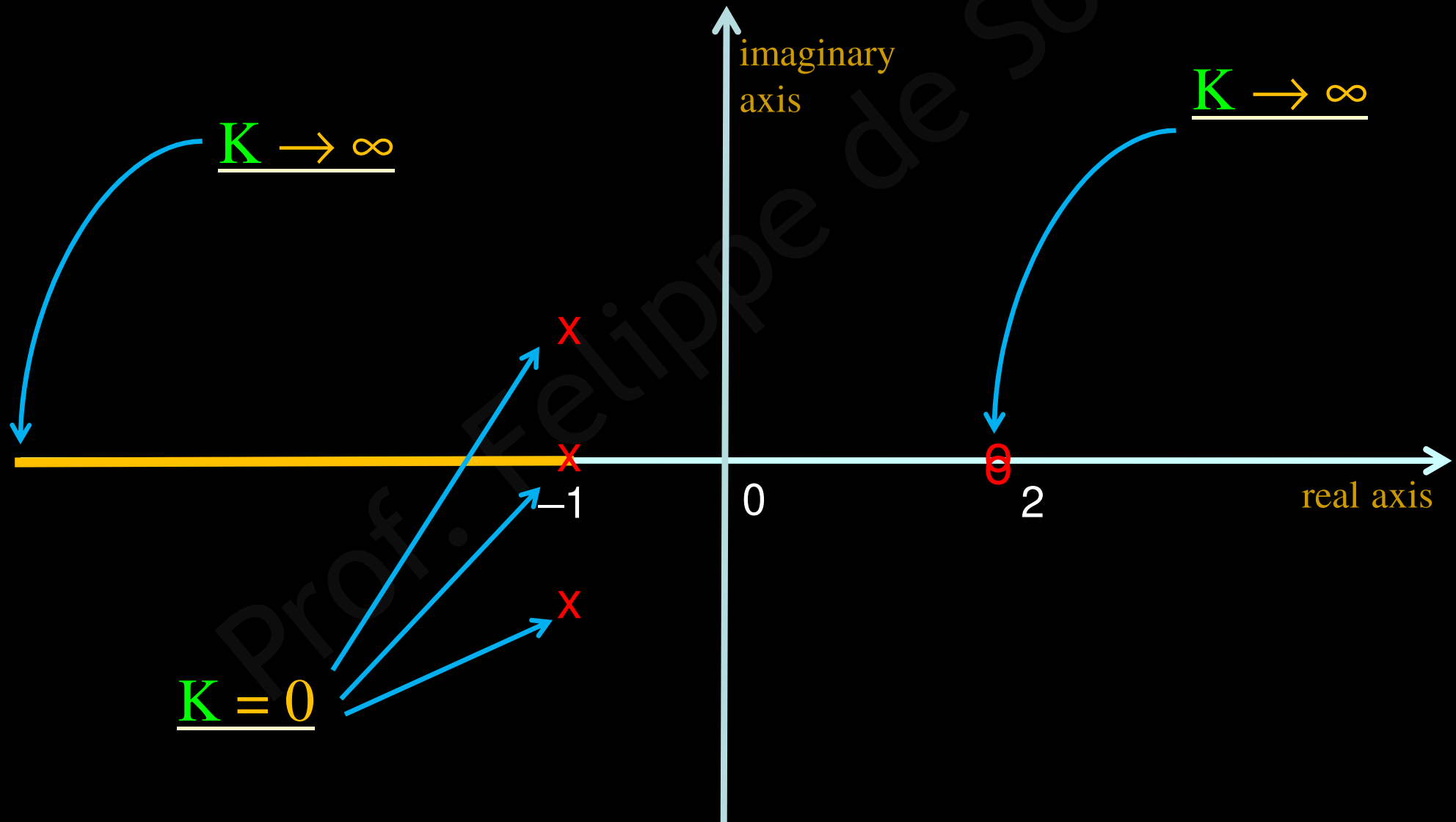


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Example 14 (continued)

The only *asymptote* at the infinite is at $\gamma = 180^\circ$ (Rule #4)

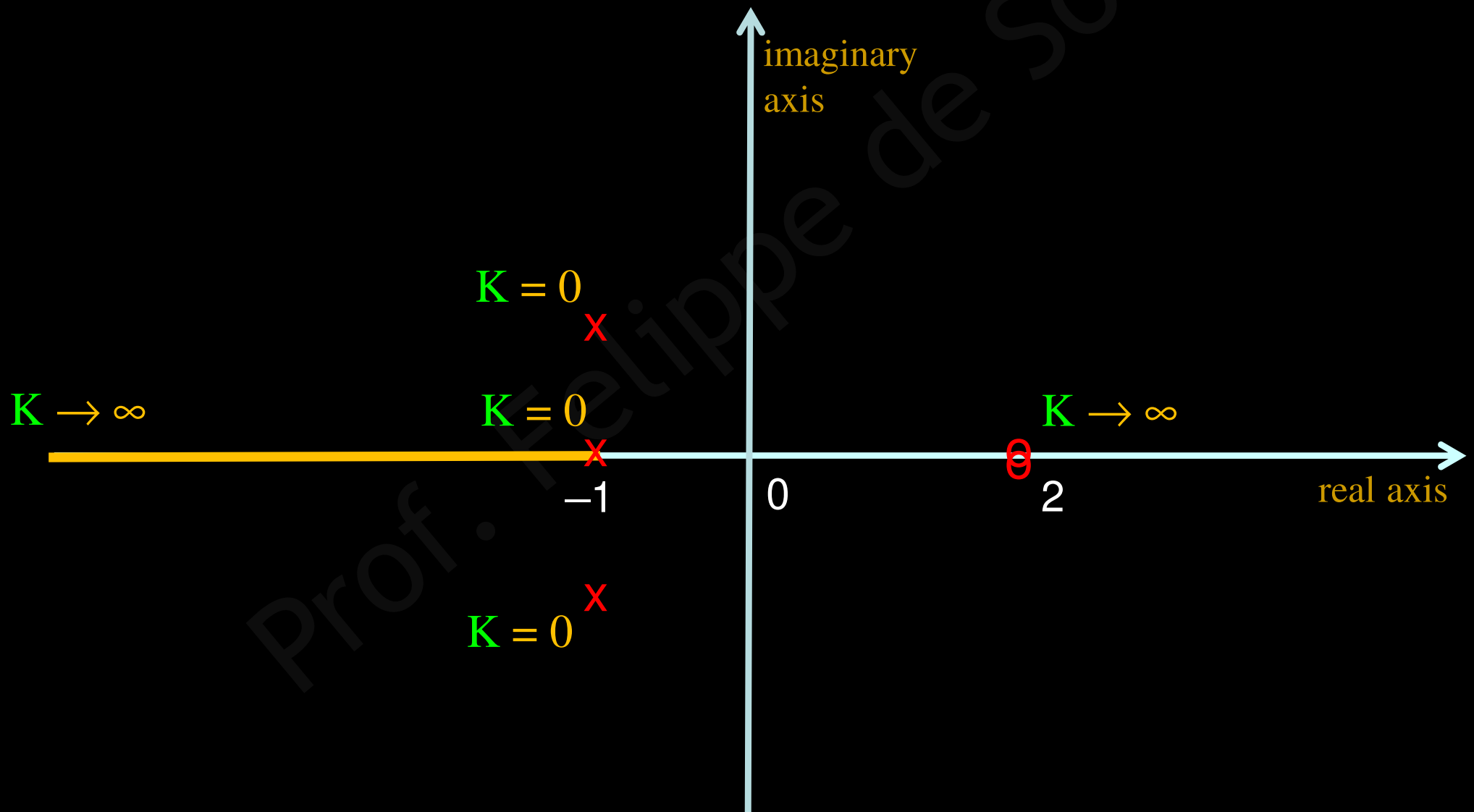
The *crossing point* of the *asymptote* $\sigma_0 = -7$ (Rule #5), although on this case it was not necessary



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Example 14 (continued)

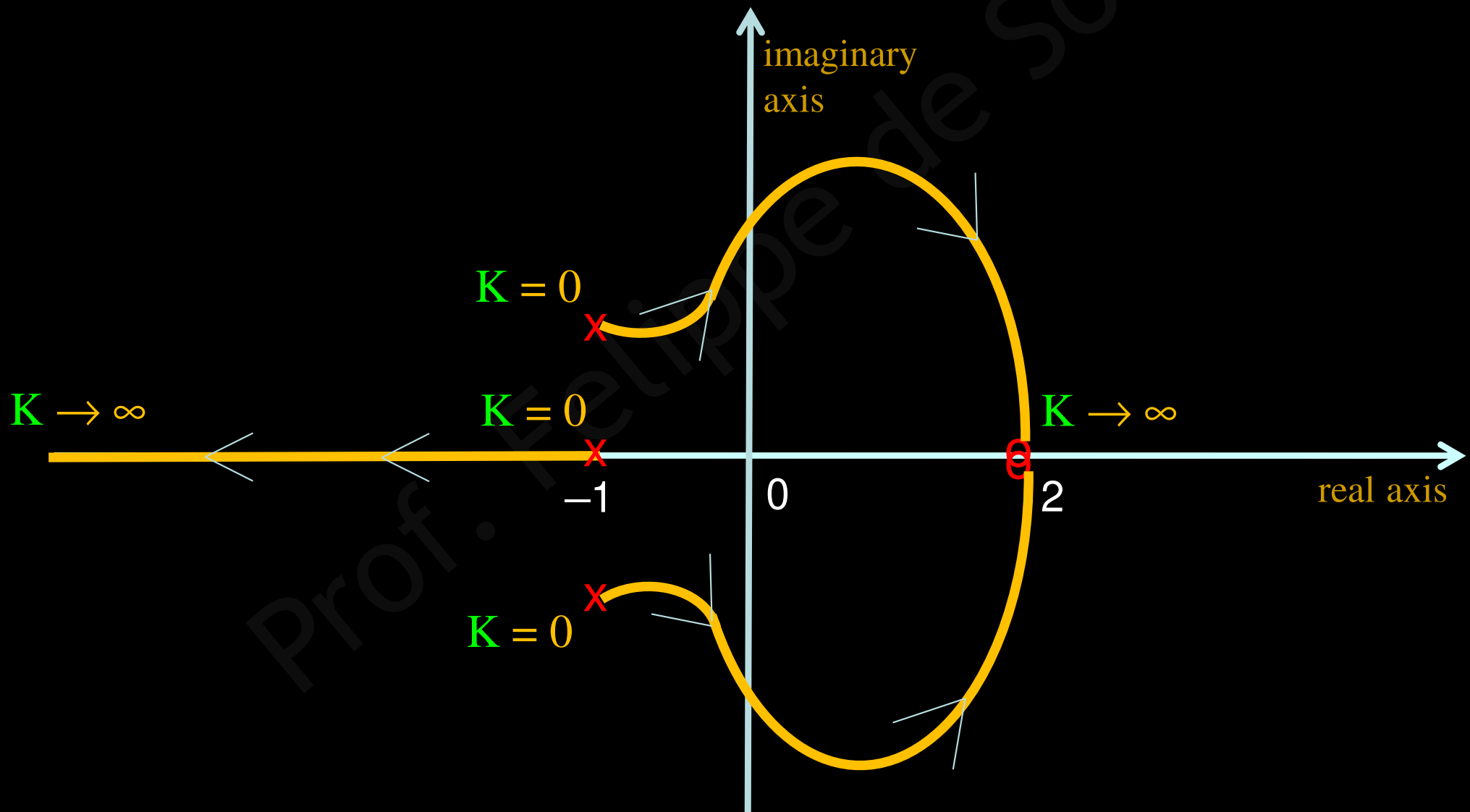
Summarizing, the intervals in the *real axis* (*Rule #2*), as well as the *beginning* and *ending points* of the *branches* (*Rule #3*) are shown below



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Example 14 (continued)

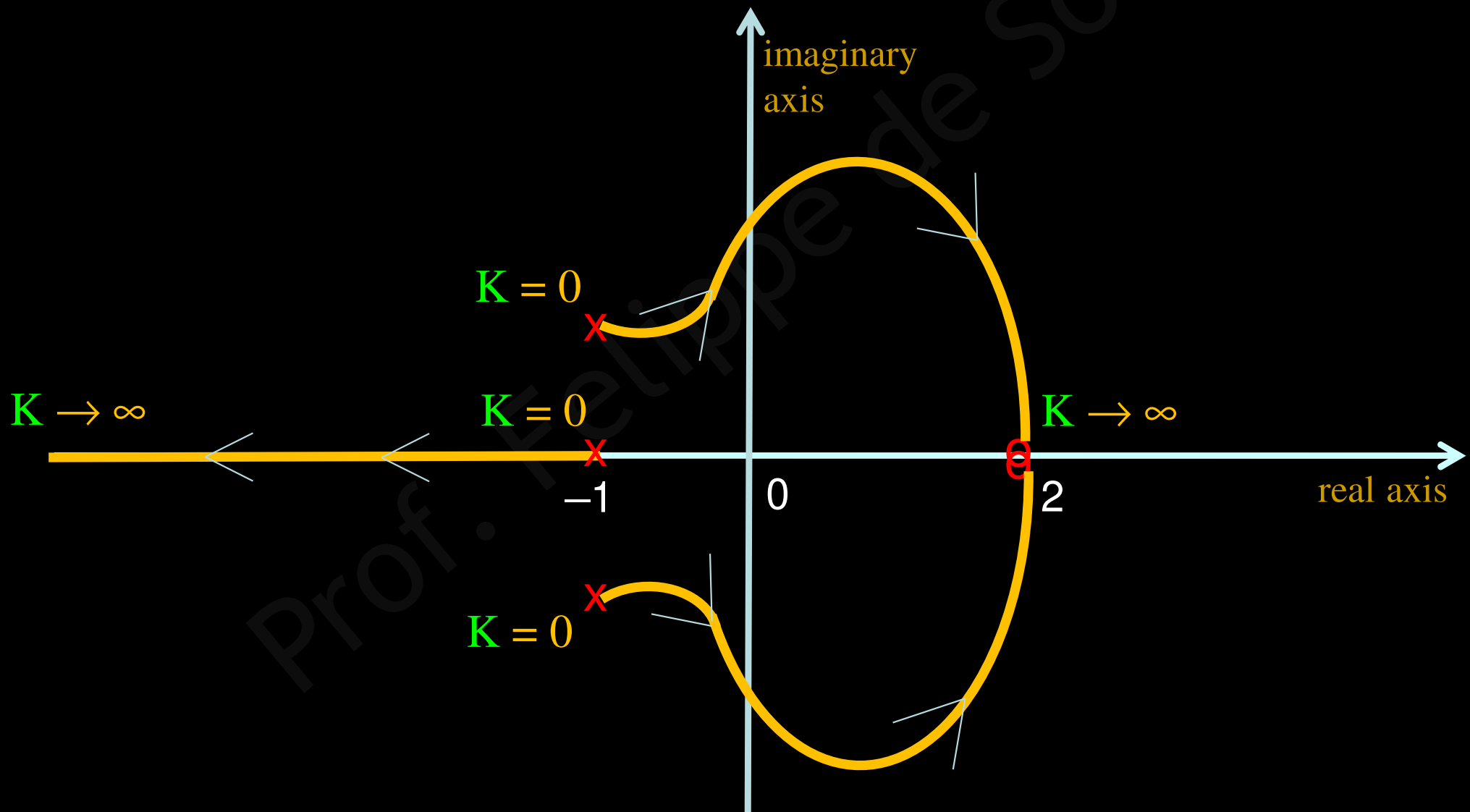
We can predict that 2 *branches* that start at the 2 *complex poles* $s = -1 \pm j$ go to the *right* to meet the double zeros at $s = 2$



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Example 14 (continued)

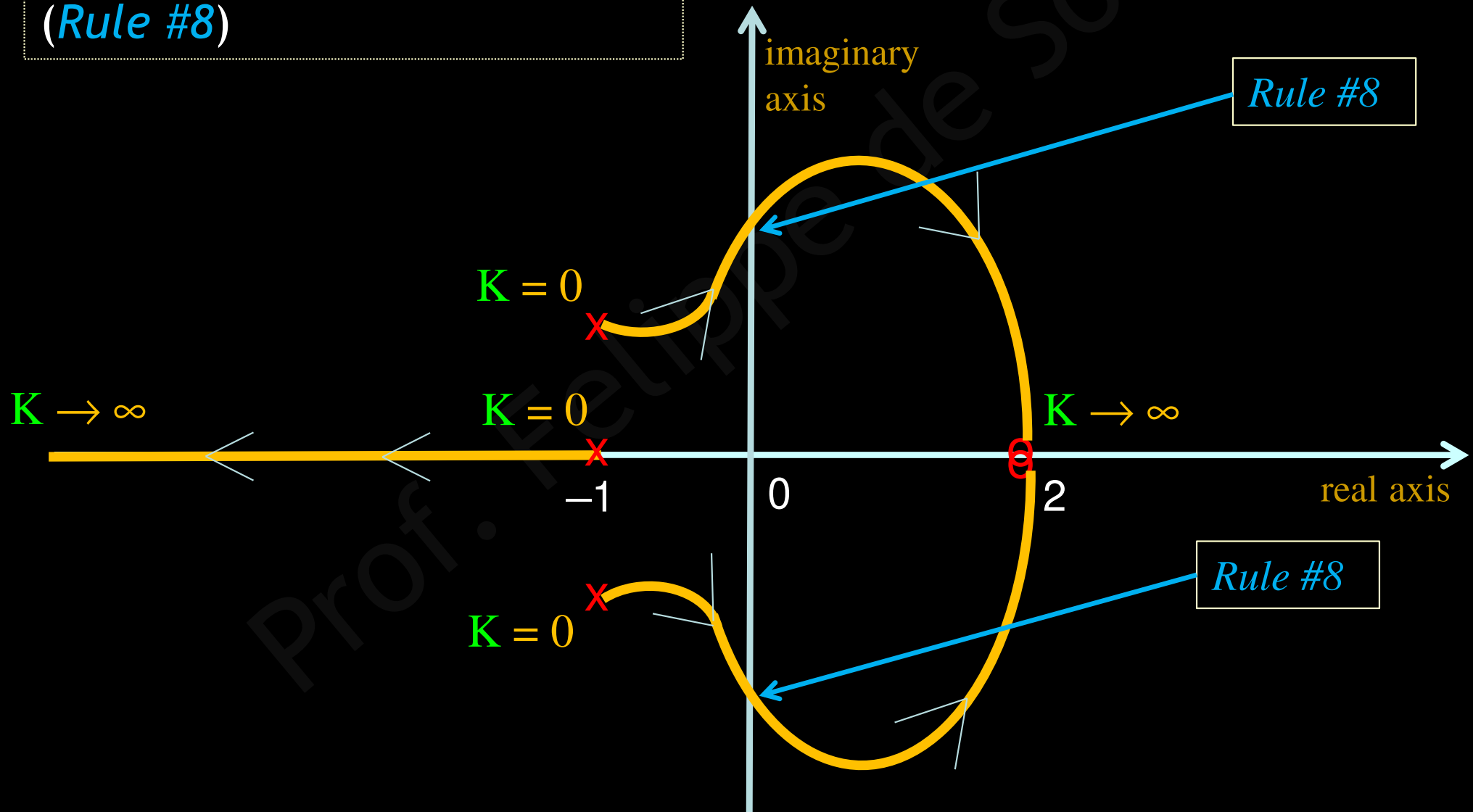
besides, a third *branch*, that start at the *real pole* at $\underline{s = -1}$ goes to the *left* to lie on the *asymptote* at the ∞



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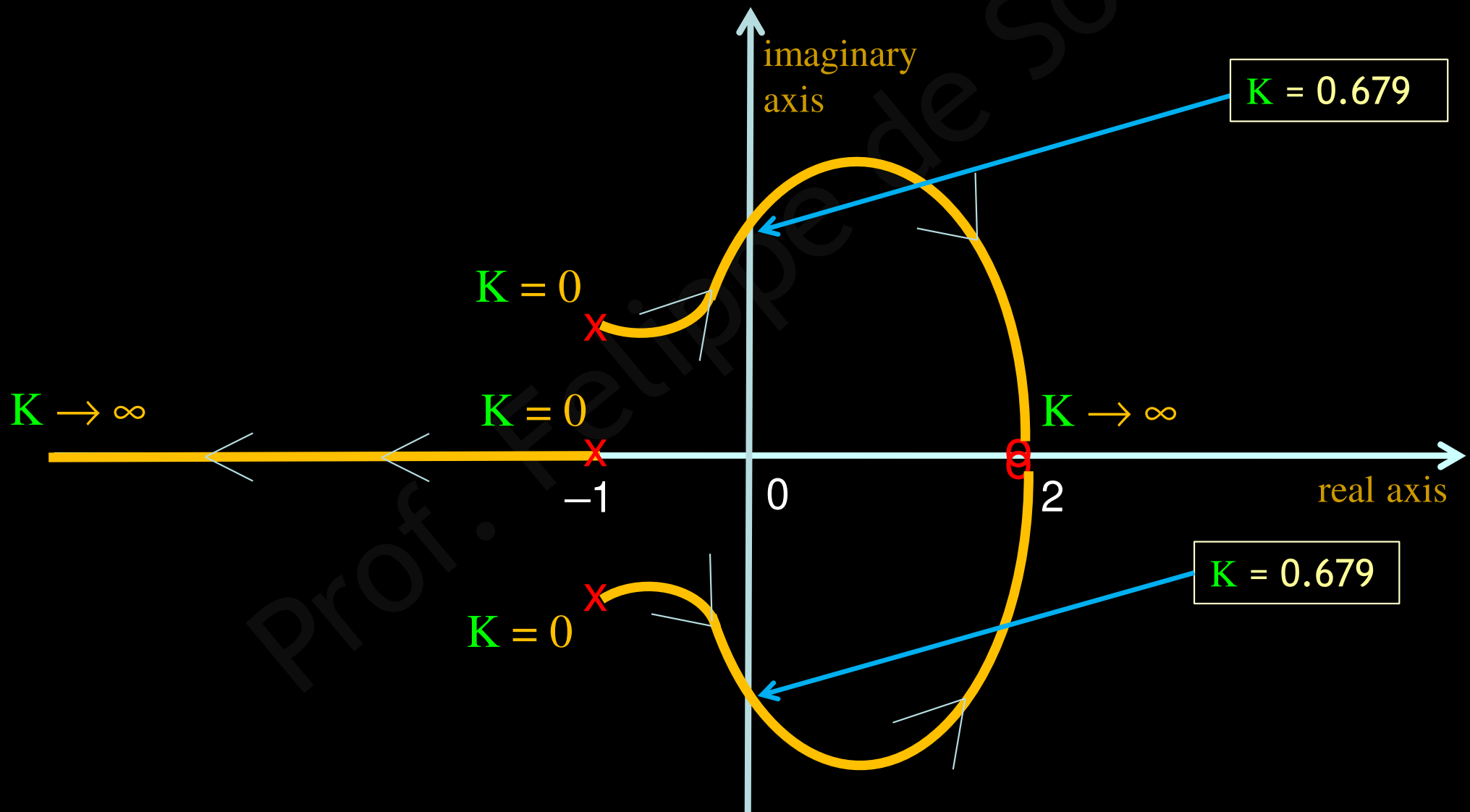
But it is still missing the *points* that the *Root Locus* intercepts the *imaginary axis* (*Rule #8*)



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Example 14 (continued)

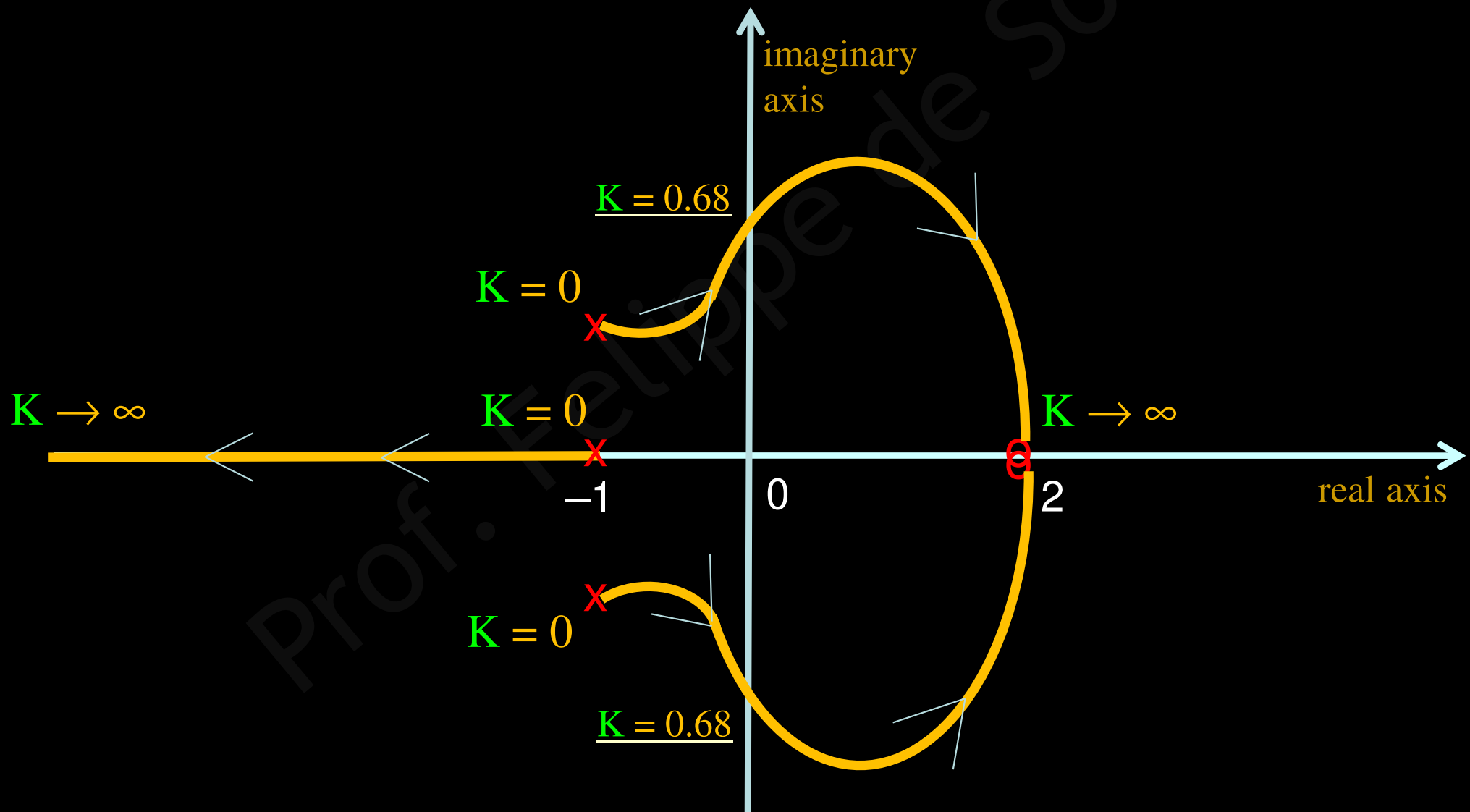
As seen in Example 11, the points from the imaginary axis where there are branches meeting (Rule #8) are: $s = \pm 1.132j$ (para $K \cong 0.68$)



Root Locus part II

Example 14 (continued)

Note that this *C.L. system* is *stable* only for $K < 0.68$



Example 15:

Sketching the “Root Locus” for

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{K \cdot (s - 2)^2}{(s^2 + 2s + 6) \cdot (s - 0,5)}$$

$$n = 3$$

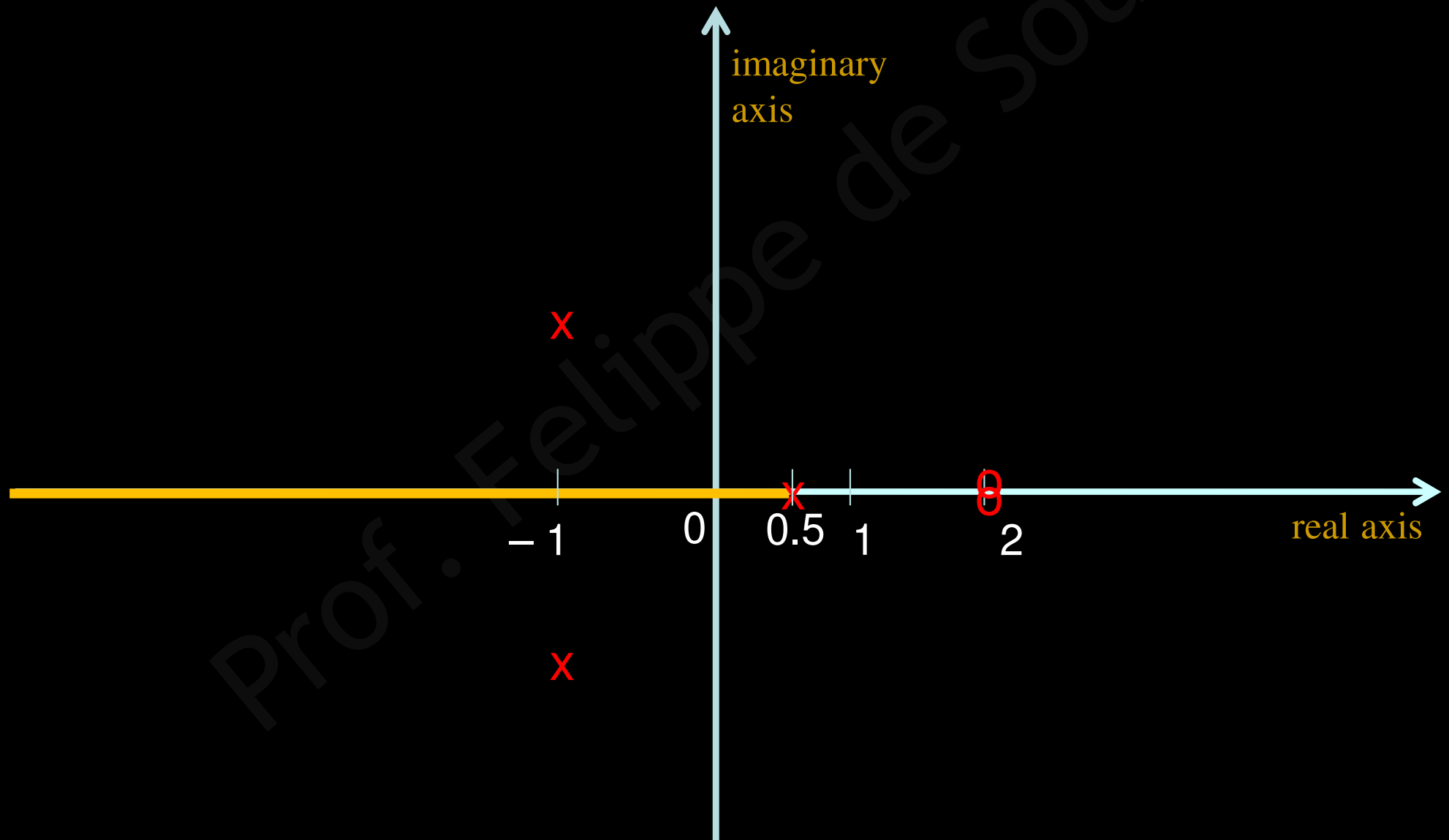
$$m = 2$$

This “Root Locus” has 3 branches (Rule #1)

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Example 15 (continued)

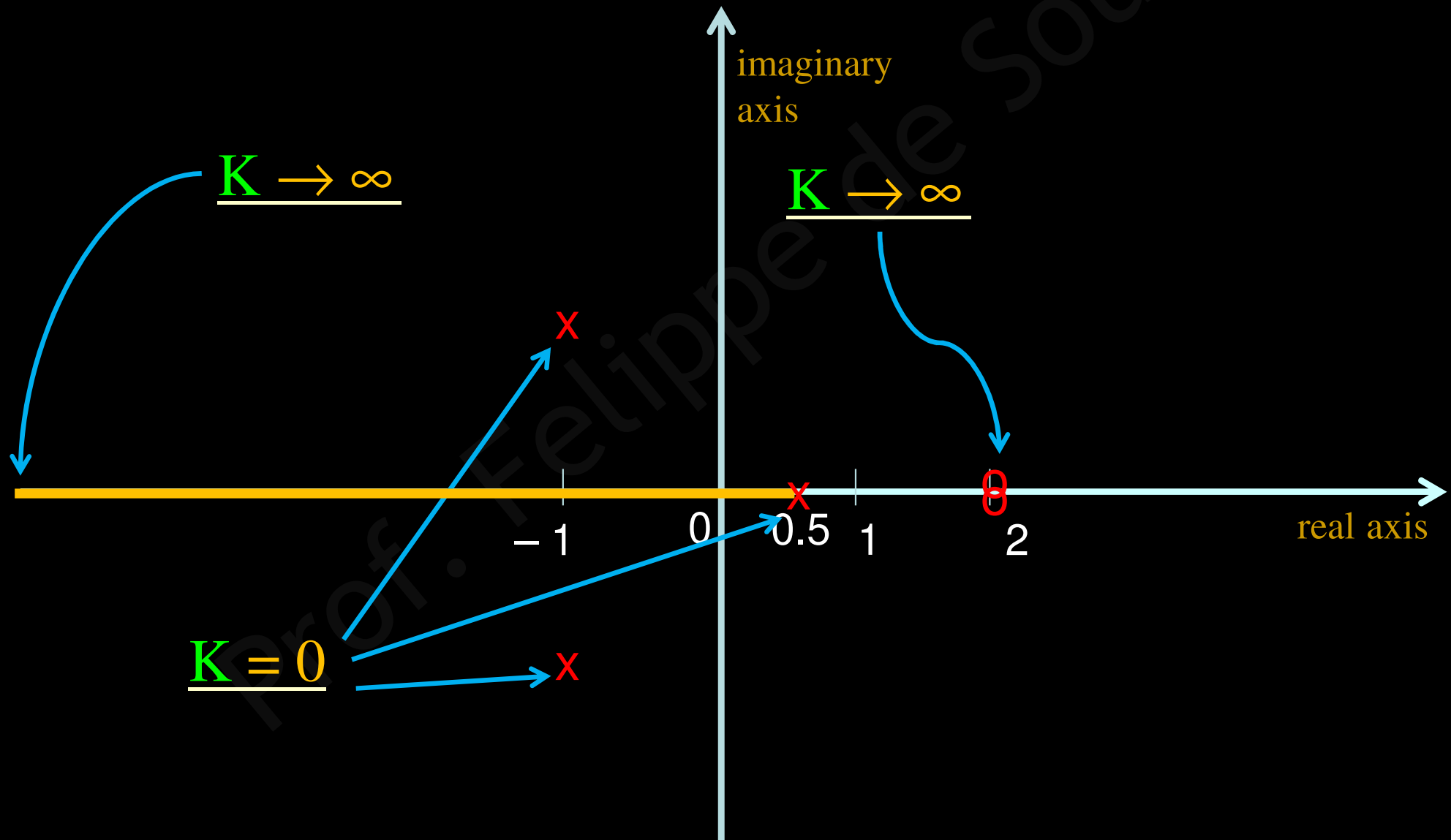
The *real axis* intervals (*Rule #2*)



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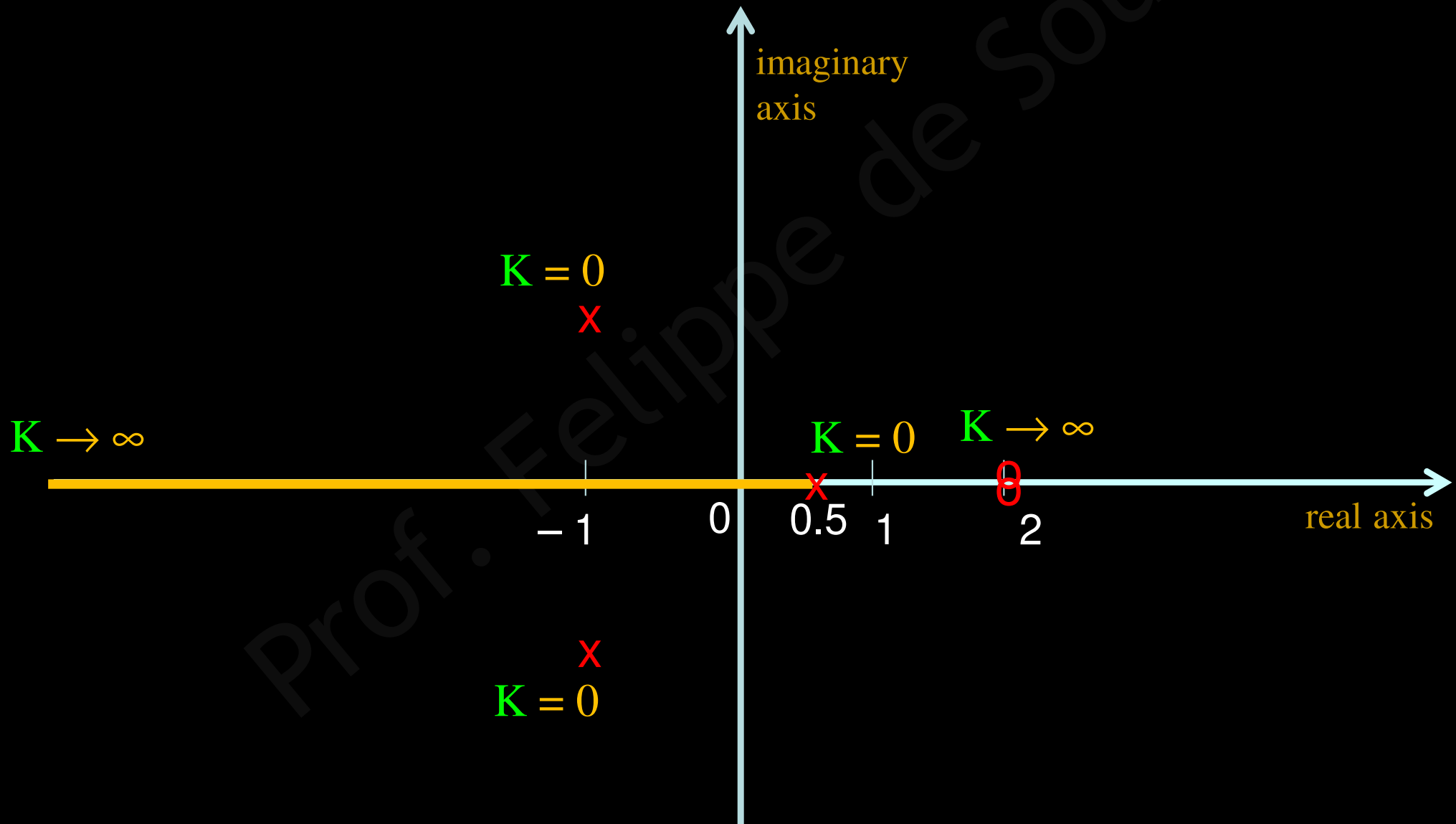
The 3 **beginning points** ($\underline{K = 0}$) and **ending points** ($\underline{K \rightarrow \infty}$) of this **Root Locus** (*Rule #3*) are shown below



Root Locus part II

Example 15 (continued)

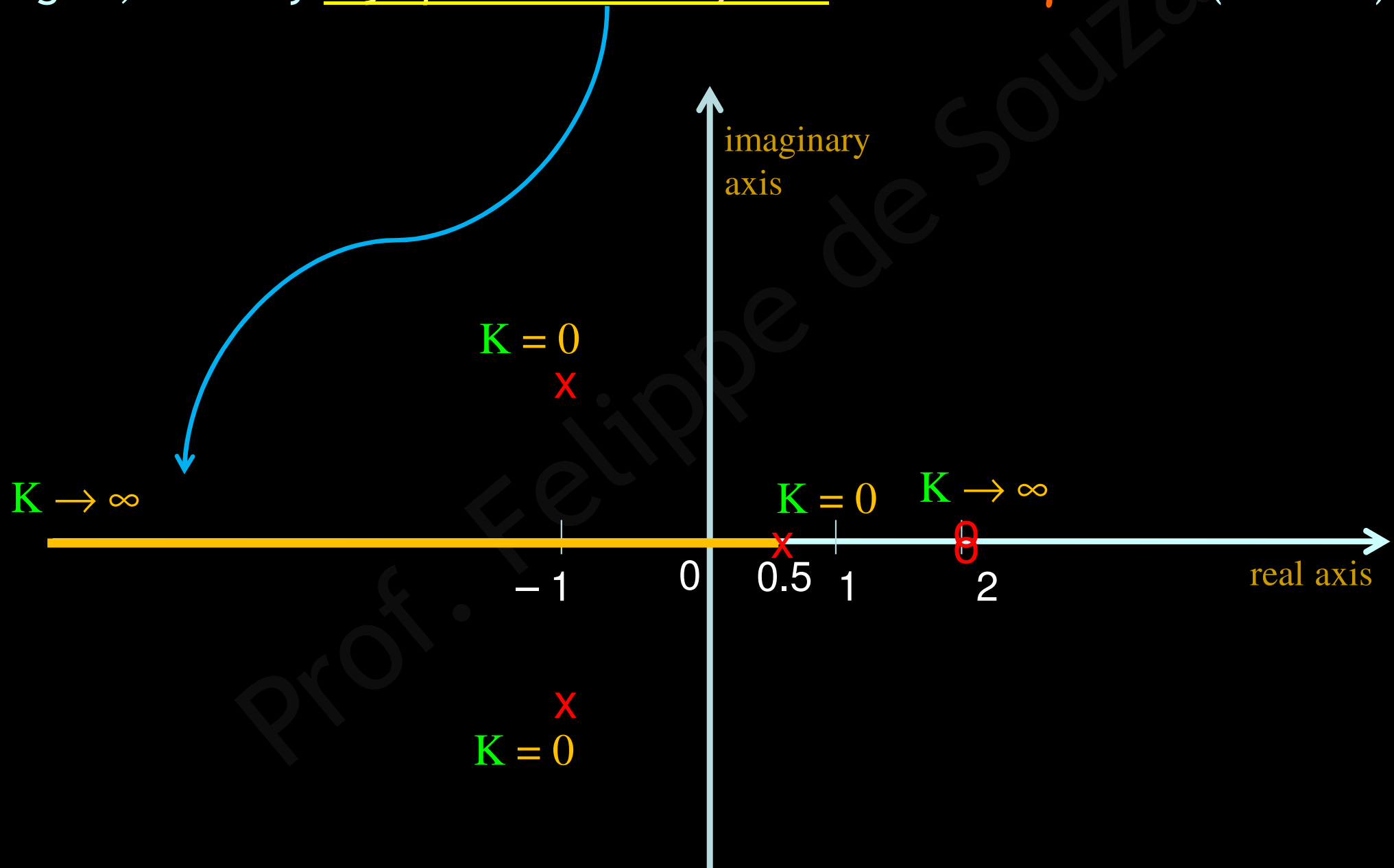
The 3 **beginning points** ($\underline{K = 0}$) and **ending points** ($\underline{K \rightarrow \infty}$) of this **Root Locus** (*Rule #3*) are shown below



Root Locus part II

Example 15 (continued)

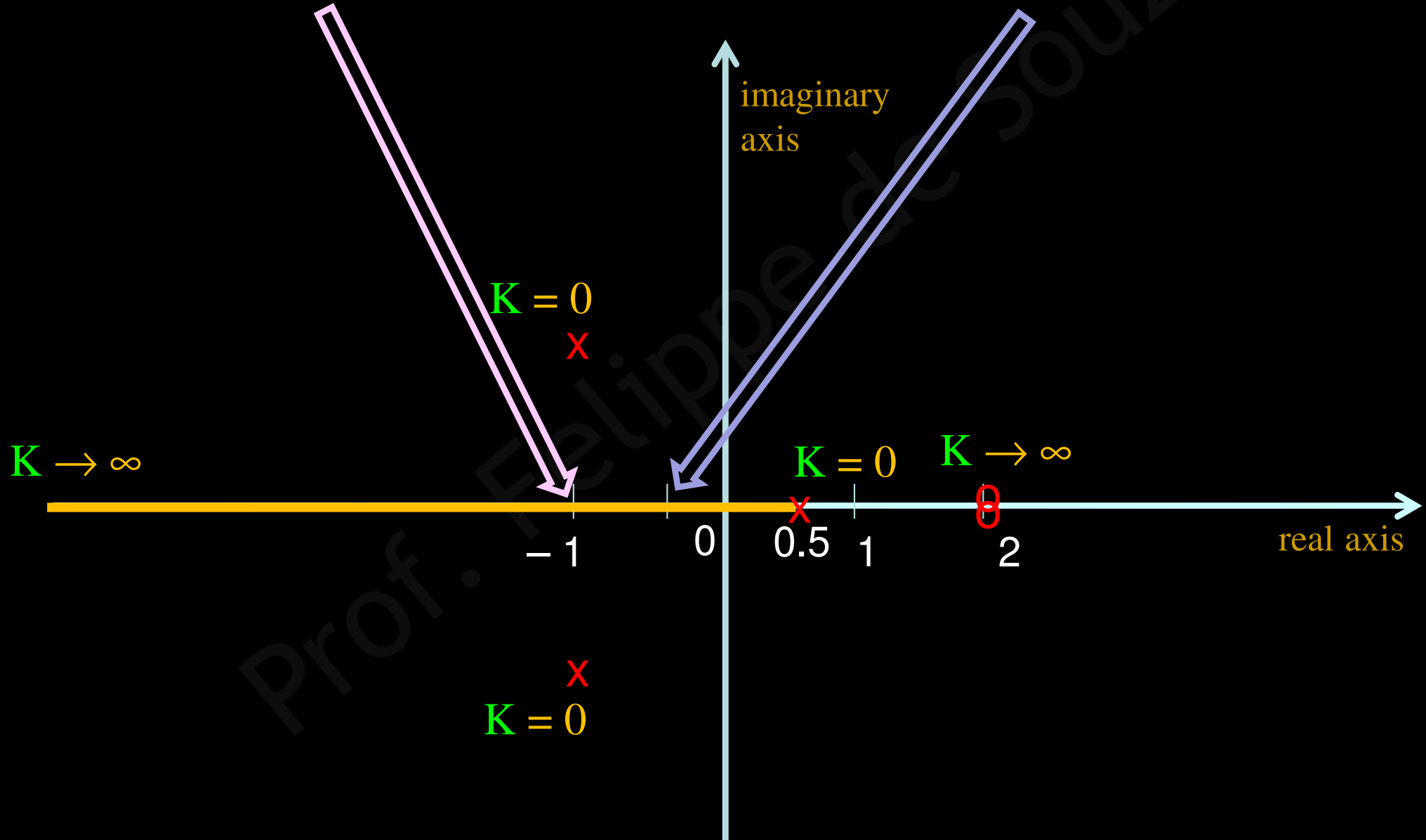
Again, the only asymptote at the *infinite* occurs at $\gamma = 180^\circ$ (Rule #5)



Root Locus part II

Example 15 (continued)

By *Rule #6*, this *Root Locus* has *branches meeting* at $\underline{s = -1}$ (for $\underline{K = 0.833}$) and $\underline{s = -0.531}$ (for $\underline{K = 0.84}$)

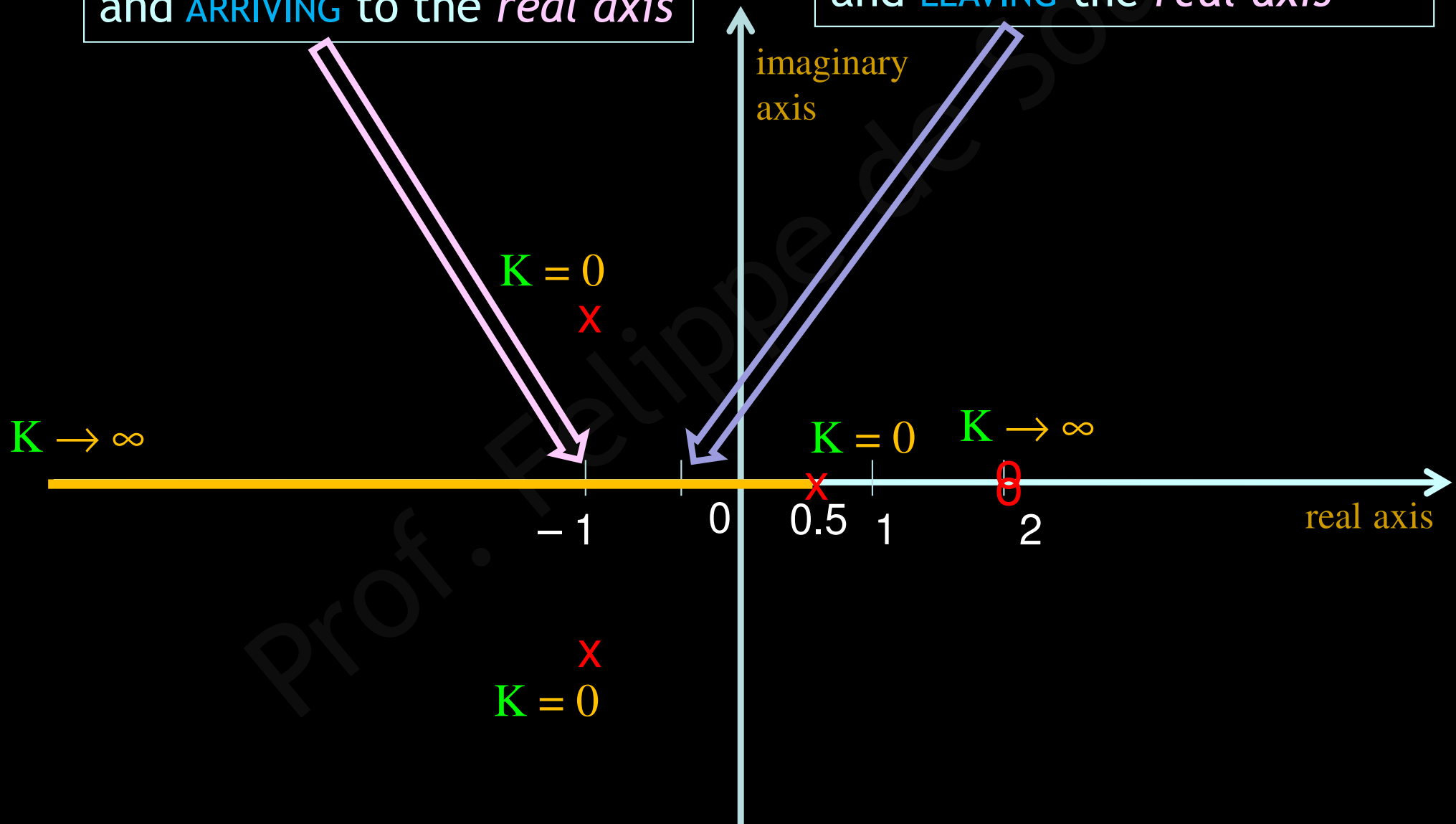


Root Locus part II

Example 15 (continued)

$s = -1$ (for $K = 0.833$)
branches that are *meeting*
and *ARRIVING* to the *real axis*

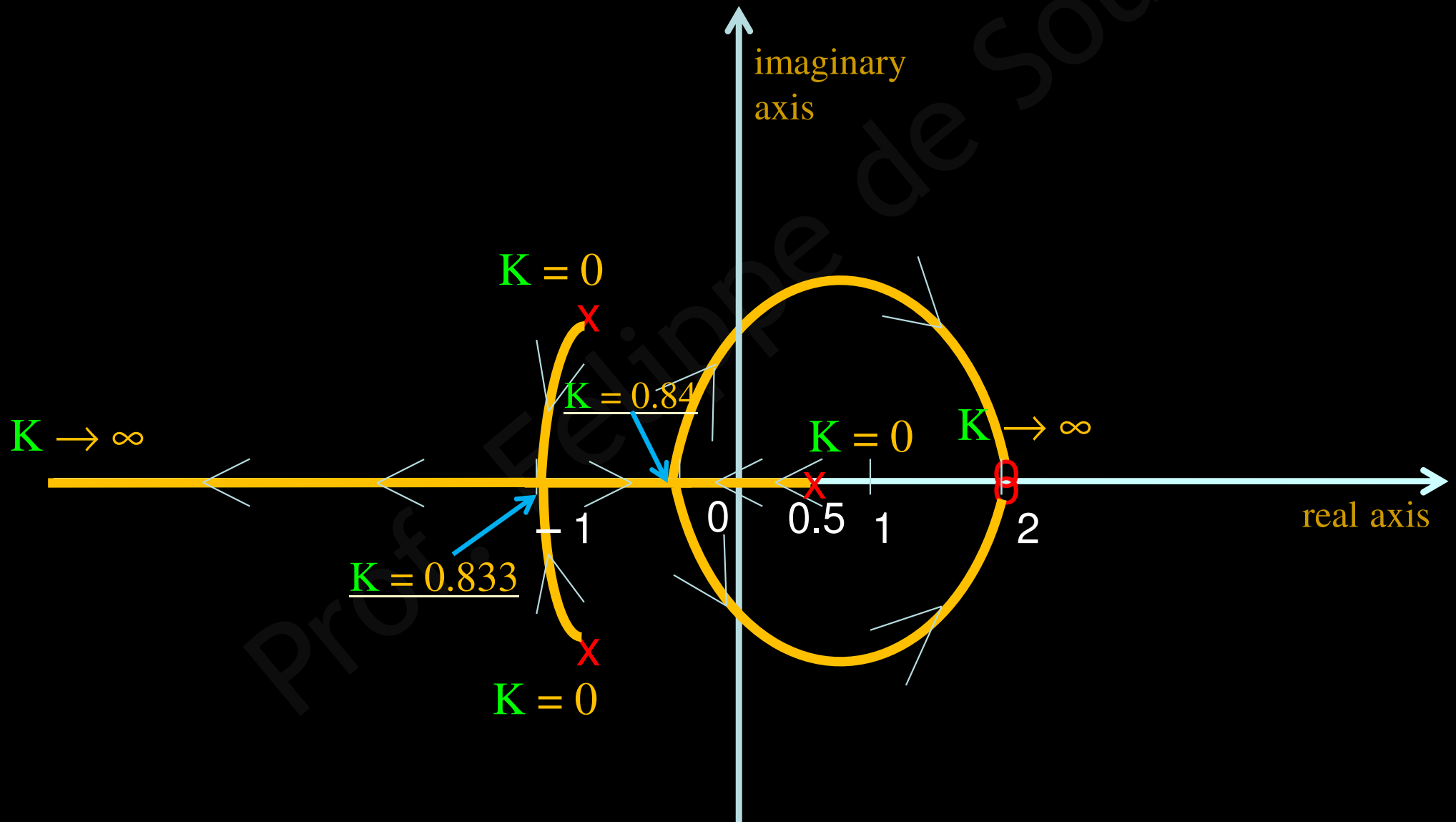
$s = -0.531$ (for $K = 0.84$)
branches that are *meeting*
and *LEAVING* the *real axis*



Root Locus part II

Example 15 (continued)

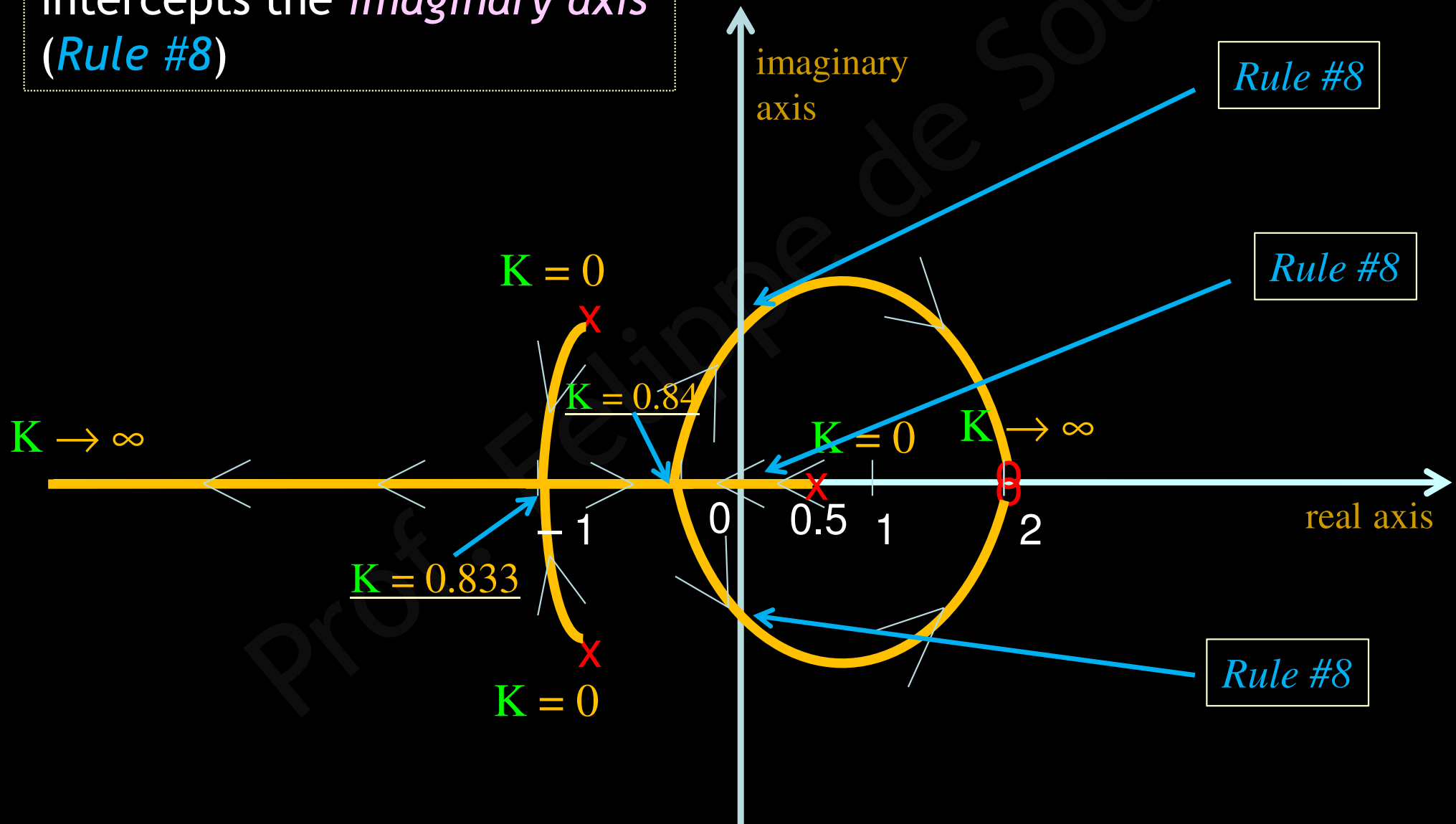
So, the *Root Locus* completed will have the following aspect



Root Locus part II

Example 15 (continued)

But it is still missing the *points* that the *Root Locus* intercepts the *imaginary axis* (*Rule #8*)

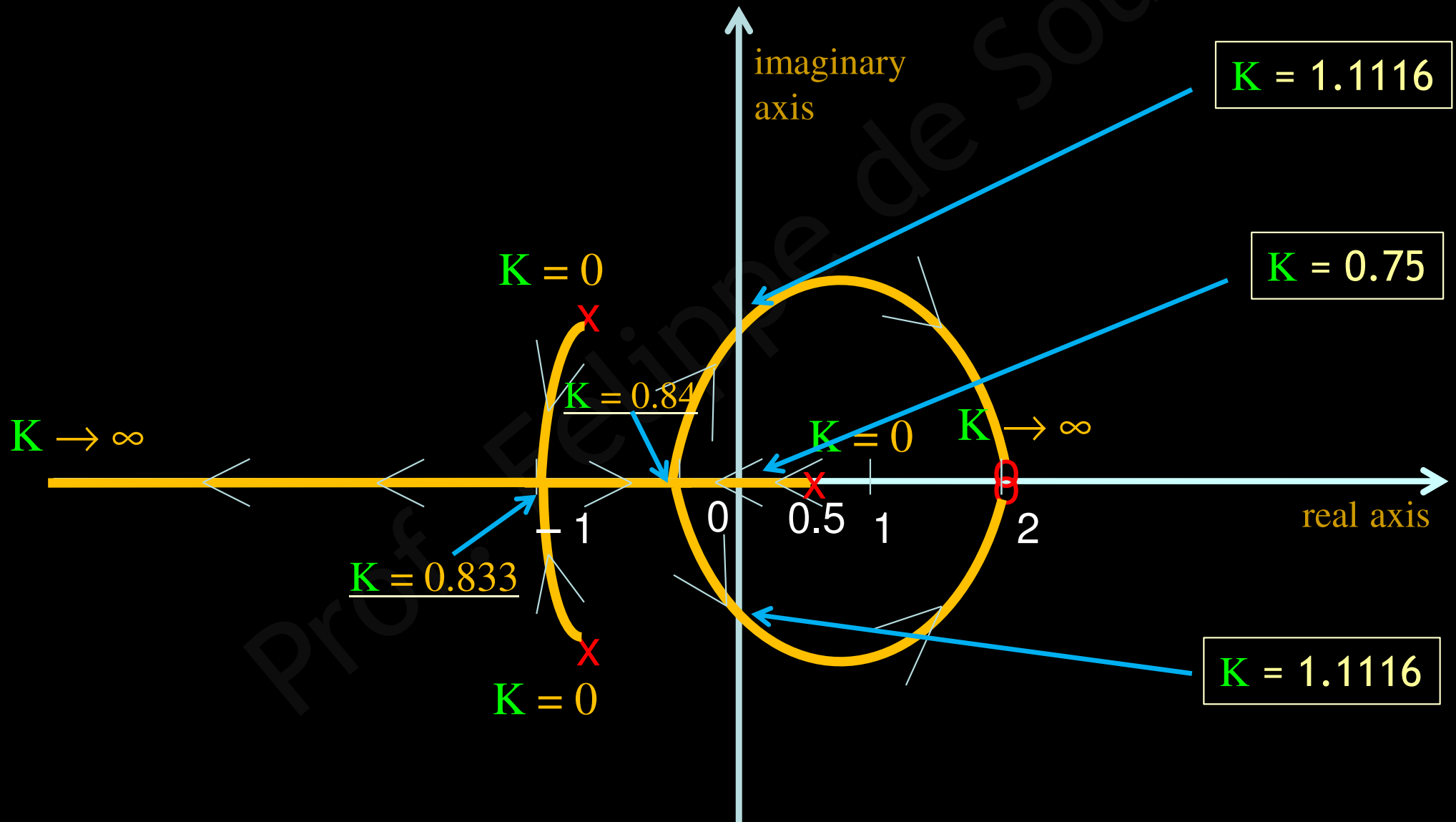


Root Locus part II

Example 15 (continued)

And the values of K that makes *pivot column elements* to vanish are

$$K = 0.75 \quad \text{and} \quad K = 1.1116$$

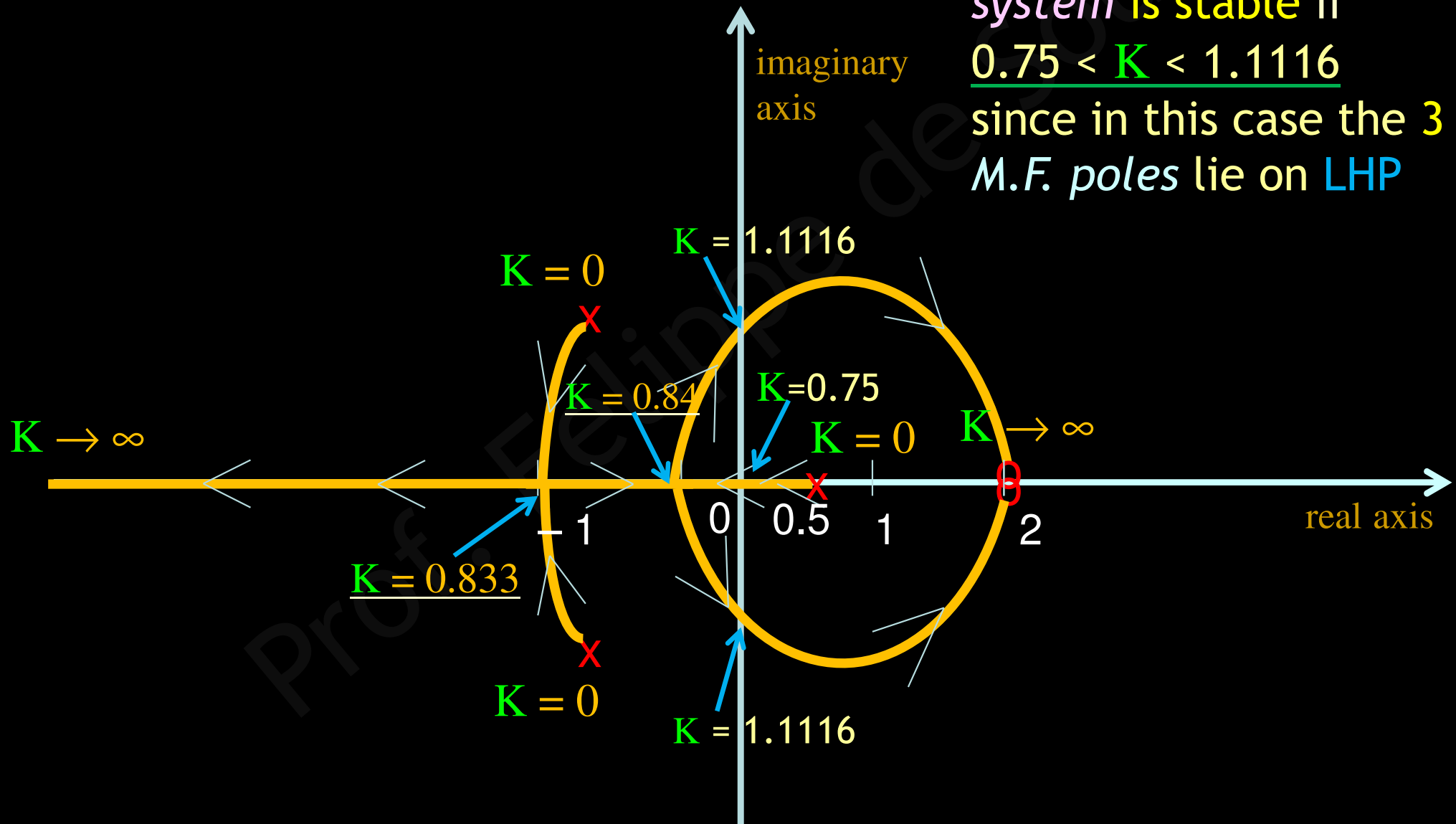


Root Locus part II

Example 15 (continued)

and the *Root Locus* is then completed

Observe that the *C.L. system is stable* if $0.75 < K < 1.1116$ since in this case the 3 *M.F. poles* lie on *LHP*





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