

Ve460 Control Systems Analysis and Design

A quick guide to Matlab Symbolic Toolbox

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Matlab Symbolic Toolbox

Create symbolic variables:

```
>> syms x y s n
```

Create symbolic functions:

```
>> f=x^3+y^3;  
>> g=(x^2-1)*(x^4+x^3+x^2+x+1)*(x^4-x^3+x^2-x+1);
```

Perform algebraic computations:

```
>> factor(f)  
ans =  
[ x + y, x^2 - x*y + y^2]
```

```
>> expand(g)  
ans =  
x^10 - 1
```

So we get

$$x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2).$$

Something harder:

```
>> z=factor(x^8+98*x^4*y^4+y^8)
```

```
z =
```

```
[ x^4 - 4*x^3*y + 8*x^2*y^2 + 4*x*y^3 + y^4,  
  x^4 + 4*x^3*y + 8*x^2*y^2 - 4*x*y^3 + y^4]
```

This gives us the factoring

$$x^8 + 98x^4y^4 + y^8 = (x^4 - 4x^3y + 8x^2y^2 + 4xy^3 + y^4) \cdot (x^4 + 4x^3y + 8x^2y^2 - 4xy^3 + y^4)$$

To generate the above equation in \LaTeX , we used the commands:

```
>> latex(z(1))
```

```
ans =
```

```
x^4 - 4\, x^3\, y + 8\, x^2\, y^2 + 4\, x\, y^3 + y^4
```

```
>> latex(z(2))
```

```
ans =
```

```
x^4 + 4\, x^3\, y + 8\, x^2\, y^2 - 4\, x\, y^3 + y^4
```

Now in the \LaTeX file, we can simply copy & paste:

```
\begin{eqnarray*}
x^8+98 x^4 y^4+y^8
&=&(x^4 - 4\, x^3\, y + 8\, x^2\, y^2 + 4\, x\, y^3 + y^4) \,\,
&\,\, \cdot \, (x^4 + 4\, x^3\, y + 8\, x^2\, y^2 - 4\, x\, y^3 + y^4)
\end{eqnarray*}
```

Some Calculus calculations:

```
>> diff(sin(x)^2)
```

```
ans =
```

```
2*cos(x)*sin(x)
```

```
>> int(sin(x)^2)
```

```
ans =
```

```
x/2 - sin(2*x)/4
```

```
>> taylor(sin(x), 'Order', 8)
```

```
ans =
```

```
- x^7/5040 + x^5/120 - x^3/6 + x
```

A real example

The linearized model of a nonlinear observer for a Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (PMSM) can be written as

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \delta \tilde{\psi} \\ \delta \tilde{\theta} \\ \delta \hat{\omega}_i \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -(\omega_0 \mathbf{J} + \mathbf{K}) & \mathbf{K} \mathbf{J} \psi_{a0} & 0 \\ -k_p \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \mathbf{J} & -k_p \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \psi_{a0} & -k_i \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \mathbf{J} & \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \psi_{a0} & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \delta \tilde{\psi} \\ \delta \tilde{\theta} \\ \delta \hat{\omega}_i \end{bmatrix}}_x + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_b \delta \omega,$$

$$\delta \hat{\omega} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} k_p \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \mathbf{J} & k_p \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \psi_{a0} & k_i \end{bmatrix}}_c \begin{bmatrix} \delta \tilde{\psi} \\ \delta \tilde{\theta} \\ \delta \hat{\omega}_i \end{bmatrix},$$

where ω_0 is the motor angular velocity, k_p , k_i are PI controller parameters, $\psi_{a0} = [d \ q]^T$, and

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix} [d \ q], \quad \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \frac{1}{d^2 + q^2} \begin{bmatrix} d \\ q \end{bmatrix}.$$

We want to calculate the Transfer Function (TF) from the input $\delta\omega$ to the output $\delta\hat{\omega}$, that is,

$$G(s) = c(sI - A)^{-1}b.$$

We wrote the following Matlab code:

```
J=[0 -1; 1 0];

syms k1 k2 d q w0 s kp ki real;

K=[k1;k2]*[d q];
l=[d;q]/(d^2+q^2);

A=simplify( [ -(w0*J+K) K*J*[d;q] zeros(2,1);
              -kp*l'*J -kp*l'*[d;q] -ki;
              l'*J l'*[d;q] 0]);
b=[0 0 1 0]';
c=[kp*l'*J kp*l'*[d;q] ki];

Gs=simplify( c*inv(s*eye(4)-A)*b )
```

This yields the results

$$Gs = \frac{(k_i + k_p s)}{(s^2 + k_p s + k_i)}$$

Therefore, we obtain the desired TF as

$$G(s) = \frac{k_i + k_p s}{s^2 + k_p s + k_i}.$$