

# Lab 4. The Continuous-Time Fourier Transform

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# Overview

- CT Fourier Transform (CTFT):
  - How to calculate via Matlab?
- Frequency Response:
  - How to calculate via Matlab?
  - How to convert to impulse response?
- Application of CTFT
  - Analysis of amplitude modulation (AM)

In Matlab, `fft()` computes DTFS coefficients from signals

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-jk\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}\right)n}, \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \Rightarrow a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{N-1}$$

Because  $a_k$  is periodic,  $a_k = a_{k+N} = a_{k-N}$

We can shift the zero-frequency component to the center of the array, using `fftshift()`

$$a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{N-1} \xrightarrow{\text{fftshift}} \begin{cases} a_{\frac{N}{2}}, a_{\frac{N}{2}+1}, \dots, a_{N-1}, a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{\frac{N}{2}-1} & \text{when } N \text{ is even} \\ a_{\frac{N+1}{2}}, \dots, a_{N-1}, a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{\frac{N-1}{2}} & \text{when } N \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

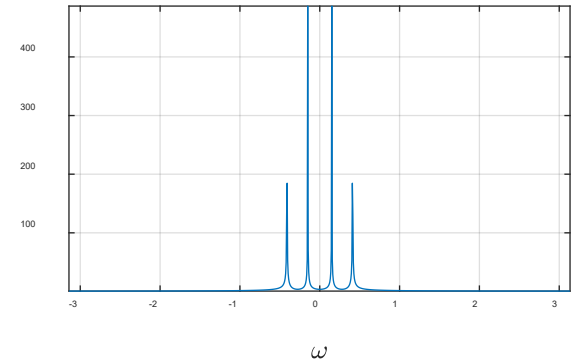
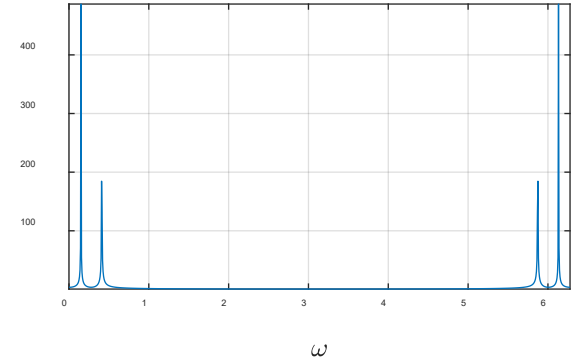
$$0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 \xrightarrow{\text{fftshift}} 4, 5, 6, 7, 0, 1, 2, 3$$

$$0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 \xrightarrow{\text{fftshift}} 5, 6, 7, 8, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4,$$

移回去用 `ifftshift`

- `fftshift` is useful for visualizing the Fourier transform with the zero-frequency component in the middle of the spectrum.

```
N = 1000;  
n = 1:N;  
sig = sin(0.15*n)+0.5*sin(0.411*n+pi/5);  
fftsig = fft(sig);  
w = (0:N-1)*2*pi/N;  
wshift = (-N/2:N/2-1)*2*pi/N;  
  
figure; subplot(211); plot(w,abs(fftsig));  
xlabel('\omega'); grid on; axis tight  
subplot(212); plot(wshift,abs(fftshift(fftsig)));  
xlabel('\omega'); grid on; axis tight
```



# CT Fourier Transform (CTFT):

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- How to calculate via Matlab?

# CT Fourier Transform

- Definition of CT Fourier Transform

$$X(j\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

- Function of **continuous** frequency  $\omega$
  - Represent the “**spectrum**” of a signal
- Plot of CTFT
  - Choose a sequence of frequency  $\omega$  (**sampling**)
  - Calculate integration for each  $\omega$
  - Plot each sample and do interpolation (**approximation**)
  - **Can we reduce the complexity?**

# Another Approach

- CT Fourier Transform:

$$\begin{aligned} X(j\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \tau \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n\tau) e^{-j\omega \tau n} \end{aligned}$$

Look similar

Can we use `fft()` to calculate the CTFT?



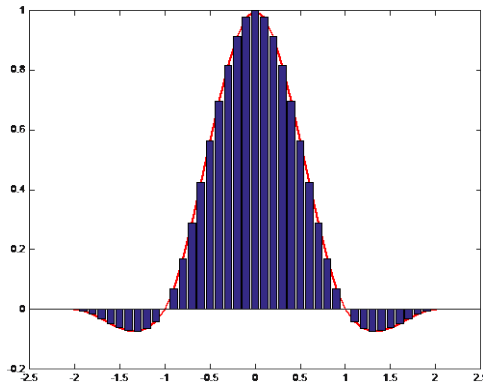
- DT Fourier Series:

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-jk\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}\right)n}$$

# Derivation

1. Suppose the dominant region of  $x(t)$  is in  $[0, T]$ , then we can use the following approximation

$$X(j\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt \approx \int_0^T x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt \approx \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n\tau)e^{-j\omega n\tau}\tau$$



Slice into  $N$  intervals, each with length  $\tau = T/N$



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## 2. Sampling of $\omega$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]e^{-jk\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}\right)n}$$

$$k\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}\right) = \omega_k \tau \quad \omega_k = k\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}\right)\frac{1}{\tau}, k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

It could be observed that

$$X\left(j\frac{2\pi k}{N\tau}\right) \approx \tau \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n\tau)e^{-j\frac{2\pi kn}{N}}$$



**fft() of  $[x(0), x(\tau), x(2\tau), \dots, x((N-1)\tau)]$**

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$$k = \frac{1-N}{2}, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{2}$$

When N is odd

$k = ?$  When N is even

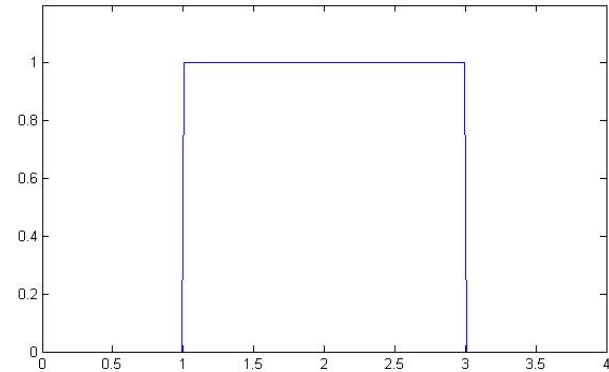
Assignment  
4.2

**fft() of  $[x(0), x(\tau), x(2\tau), \dots, x((N-1)\tau)]$**

- **Conclusion:** we can use `fft()` to calculate CTFT approximately, which could reduce the computation complexity

# Example

- Single rectangular wave with width=2
  - T should be larger than 3



```
tau=0.5; % interval of time sampling
N=11; % let N be odd to get symmetrical result, N*tau=T>3
x=zeros(1,1/tau),ones(1,2/tau),zeros(1,N-3/tau)];
X=tau*fft(x);
```

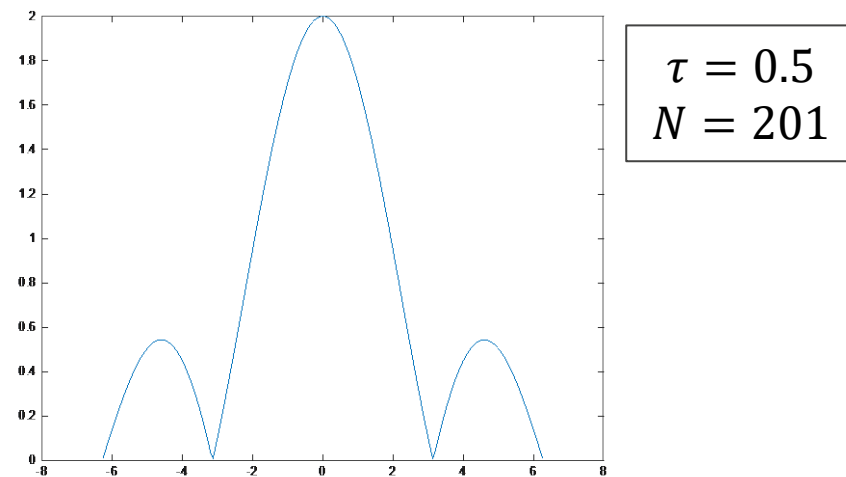
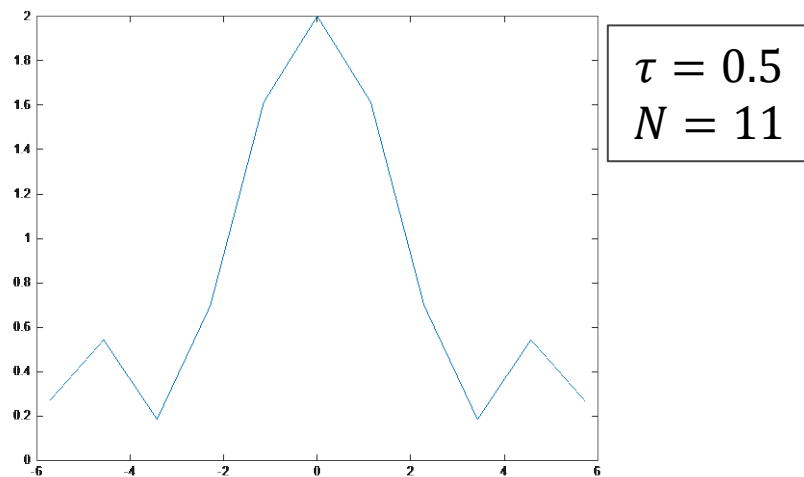
```
lb = (1-N)*pi/N/tau;
ub = (N-1)*pi/N/tau;
step = 2*pi/N/tau;
plot(lb:step:ub, abs(fftshift(X)));
```

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi k}{N\tau}$$

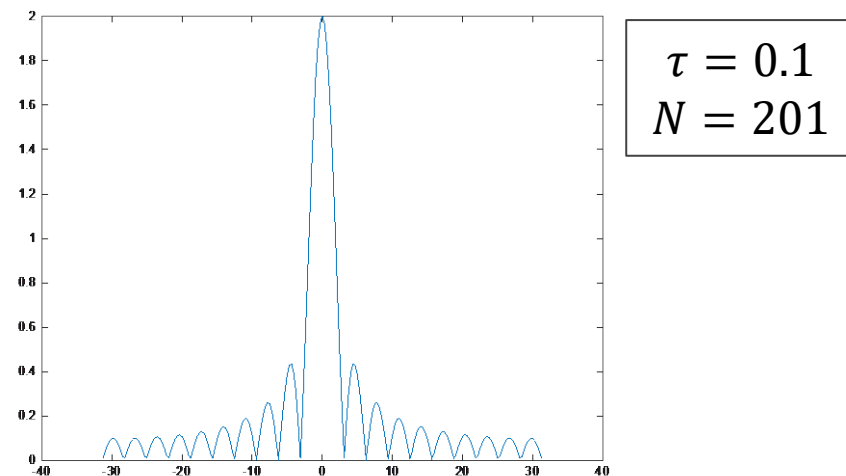
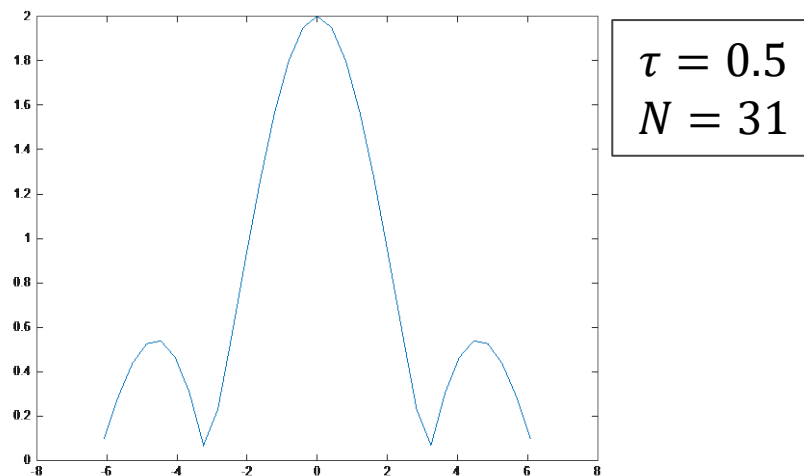
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When N is odd





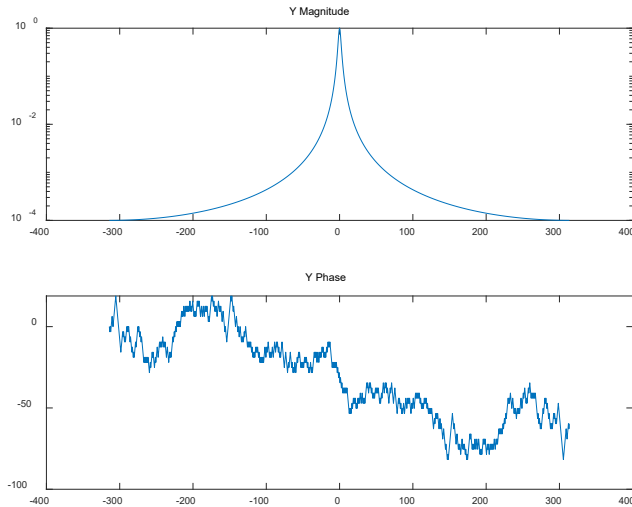
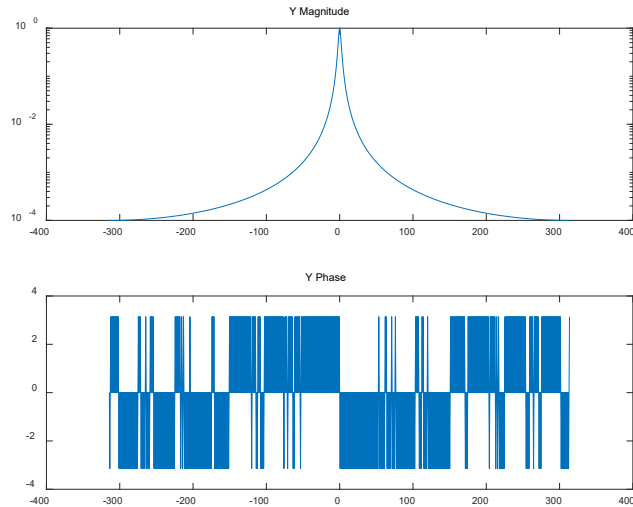
**Any problem in the approximation with `fft()`?**



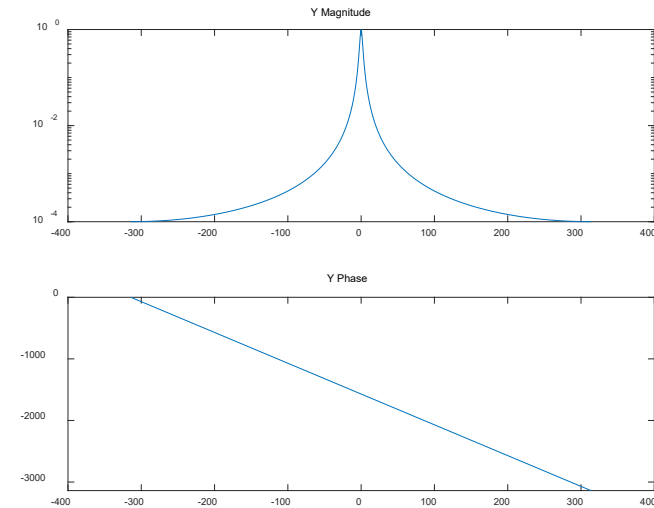
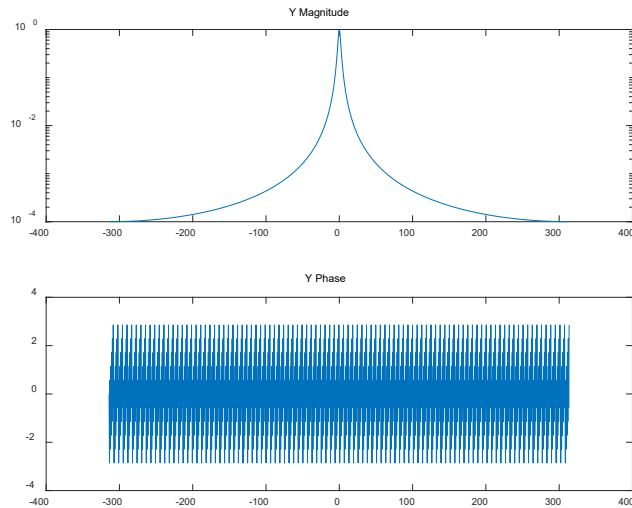
# Lab Assignment 4

- Read tutorial 4.1 by yourself
- 4.2, 4.5 & 4.6
  - You need to download ctftmod.mat for 4.6
- In 4.2(g), you may encounter strange phase of Y, please read the next 2 pages and try Matlab function unwrap()
  - Have a try by yourself
  - We'll talk about it in the next week

- `unwrap(angle(X))`
  - Correct phase angles to produce smoother phase plots: `angle(Y)` vs. `unwrap(angle(Y))`
  - Find more details in MATLAB HELP DOCUMENT



- If let  $T = 11$



# Example

```
t = linspace(0,6*pi,201);
```

```
x = t/pi.*cos(t);
```

```
y = t/pi.*sin(t);
```

```
z = x + 1i*y;
```

```
figure; plot(z); title('z');
```

```
xlabel('real part') ; ylabel('imaginary part');
```

```
figure; subplot(211); plot(t, angle(z)); title('wrapped')
```

```
subplot(212); plot(t, unwrap(angle(z))); title('unwrapped')
```



- Any questions?



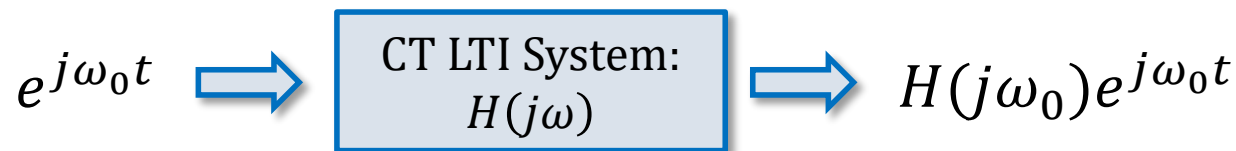
# Frequency Response

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- How to convert to impulse response?

# What's Frequency Response


- Frequency response
  - A function of frequency
  - System gain in frequency domain




- Math definition
  - Fourier transform of impulse response

$$H(j\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt = Y(j\omega)/X(j\omega)$$

# Differential Equation and Frequency Response

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k \frac{d^k y(t)}{dt^k} = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \frac{d^k x(t)}{dt^k}$$



$$H(j\omega) = \frac{b_M(j\omega)^M + b_{M-1}(j\omega)^{M-1} + \dots + b_1(j\omega) + b_0}{a_N(j\omega)^N + a_{N-1}(j\omega)^{N-1} + \dots + a_1(j\omega) + a_0}$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^N a_k \frac{d^k y(t)}{dt^k} \right] &= \sum_{k=0}^N \mathcal{F} \left[ a_k \frac{d^k y(t)}{dt^k} \right] = \sum_{k=0}^N a_k (j\omega)^k Y(j\omega) \\ \mathcal{F} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \frac{d^k x(t)}{dt^k} \right] &= \sum_{k=0}^M \mathcal{F} \left[ b_k \frac{d^k x(t)}{dt^k} \right] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k (j\omega)^k X(j\omega) \end{aligned}$$

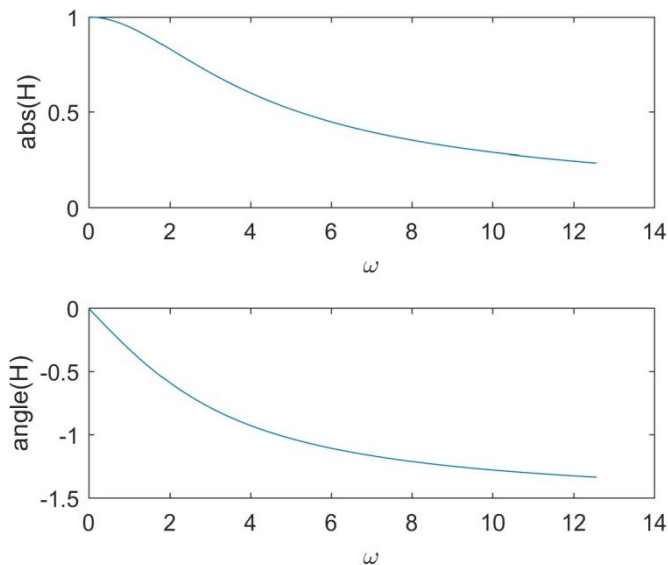
# Matlab Function: freqs()

连续时间的频率响应

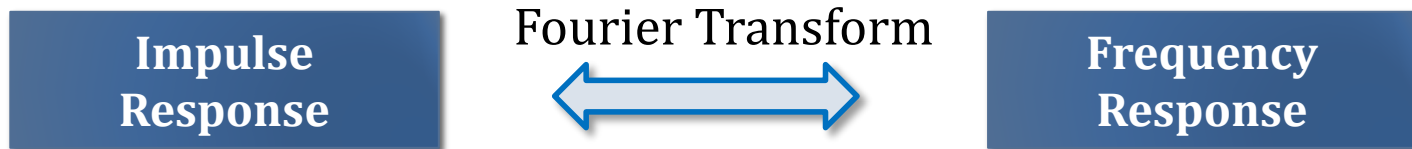
- Description: generate the frequency response of LTI system
- Syntax: `freqs(b,a,w)`, **w - angular frequencies in rad/s** 与连续的进行区别
- Example:  $\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 3y(t) = 3x(t)$

```
a=[1 3];  
b=3;  
w=linspace(0,4*pi);  
H=freqs(b,a,w);  
subplot(2,1,1), plot(w,abs(H));  
xlabel('\omega'); ylabel('abs(H)')  
subplot(2,1,2), plot(w,angle(H));  
xlabel('\omega'); ylabel('angle(H)')
```

**High-pass or Low-pass?**



# Frequency Response and Impulse Response



- Transform pair

- $e^{-at}u(t) \quad \text{Re}\{a\} > 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{j\omega + a}$

- Example

- $\frac{3}{j\omega + 3} \Leftrightarrow 3e^{-3t}u(t)$

- How about general fraction?

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{b_M(j\omega)^M + b_{M-1}(j\omega)^{M-1} + \dots + b_1(j\omega) + b_0}{a_N(j\omega)^N + a_{N-1}(j\omega)^{N-1} + \dots + a_1(j\omega) + a_0}$$

# Partial Fraction Expansion

- Partial Fraction Expansion (No identical poles):

$$\begin{aligned} H(j\omega) &= \frac{b_M(j\omega - z_1)(j\omega - z_2) \dots (j\omega - z_M)}{a_N(j\omega - p_1)(j\omega - p_2) \dots (j\omega - p_N)} \\ &= \frac{A_1}{j\omega - p_1} + \frac{A_2}{j\omega - p_2} + \dots + \frac{A_N}{j\omega - p_N} \end{aligned}$$

- Partial Fraction Expansion (with identical poles):

$$\begin{aligned} H(j\omega) &= \frac{b_M(j\omega - z_1)(j\omega - z_2) \dots (j\omega - z_M)}{a_N(j\omega - p_1)^{k_1}(j\omega - p_2)^{k_2} \dots (j\omega - p_n)^{k_n}} \\ &= \frac{A_{1,1}}{(j\omega - p_1)^{k_1}} + \frac{A_{1,2}}{(j\omega - p_1)^{k_1-1}} + \dots + \frac{A_{1,k_1}}{(j\omega - p_1)} \\ &\quad + \dots + \frac{A_{n,1}}{(j\omega - p_n)^{k_n}} + \frac{A_{n,2}}{(j\omega - p_n)^{k_n-1}} + \dots + \frac{A_{n,k_n}}{(j\omega - p_n)} \end{aligned}$$

- Therefore, we should know the FT of

$$\frac{1}{(j\omega + a)^k}$$

We've already known

$$e^{-at}u(t) \quad \text{Re}\{a\} > 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{j\omega + a}$$

According to the FT property

$$tx(t) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad j \frac{d}{d\omega} X(j\omega)$$

We have

$$te^{-at}u(t) \quad \text{Re}\{a\} > 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{(j\omega + a)^2}$$

$$\frac{t^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} e^{-at}u(t) \quad \text{Re}\{a\} > 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{(j\omega + a)^n}$$



# Matlab Function: residue()

- Convert between partial fraction expansion and polynomial coefficients
- $[r,p,k] = \text{residue}(b,a)$  ;  $[r,p] = \text{residue}(b,a)$

$$H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{b_1 s^m + b_2 s^{m-1} + b_3 s^{m-2} + \dots + b_{m+1}}{a_1 s^n + a_2 s^{n-1} + a_3 s^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n+1}}$$

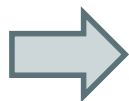
$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{r_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{r_2}{s - p_2} + \dots + \frac{r_n}{s - p_n} + k(s)$$

当分子的指数比分母的指数小时，k(s)为空，

$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{5s^3 + 3s^2 - 2s + 7}{-4s^3 + 8s + 3}$$



```
b = [ 5 3 -2 7];  
a = [-4 0 8 3];  
[r, p, k] = residue(b,a)  
r = -1.4167  
    -0.6653  
    1.3320  
p = 1.5737  
    -1.1644  
    -0.4093  
k = -1.2500
```



```
[b, a] = residue(r,p,k)  
b = -1.2500 -0.7500 0.5000 -1.7500  
a = 1.0000 -0.0000 -2.0000 -0.7500
```

matlab算回去的时候它定义a的第一项为1



$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{-1.4167}{s - 1.5737} + \frac{-0.6653}{s + 1.1644} + \frac{1.3320}{s + 0.4093} - 1.2500$$

# Have a try

$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{s - 2}{s^2 + \frac{3}{2}s + \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$b = ?$$

$$a = ?$$

$$[r, p, k] = \text{residue}(b, a)$$

$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{r1}{s - p1} + \frac{r2}{s - p2} + k$$

$$s = j\omega$$

Partial fraction expansion of  $\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{s-2}{s^2+\frac{3}{2}s+\frac{1}{2}}$

A

$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{6}{s+1} + \frac{-5}{s+0.5}$$

B

$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{6}{s-1} + \frac{-5}{s-0.5}$$

C

$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{6}{s+1} + \frac{-5}{s+0.5} + 1$$

D

$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{6}{s-1} + \frac{-5}{s-0.5} + 1$$

b = ?

a = ?

[r, p, k] = residue(b,a)

$$\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{r1}{s-p1} + \frac{r2}{s-p2} + k$$

提交

a = ...

b = ...

[r,p,k]=residue(b,a)

r =

2.0000

1.0000

-3.0000

Partial fraction expansion of  $\frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = ?$

p =

-3.0000

-2.0000

-2.0000

If  $p(j) = \dots = p(j+m-1)$  is a pole of multiplicity  $m$ , then the expansion includes terms of the form

$$\frac{r_j}{s - p_j} + \frac{r_{j+1}}{(s - p_j)^2} + \dots + \frac{r_{j+m-1}}{(s - p_j)^m}.$$

k =

[]

$$\frac{2}{s + 3} + \frac{1}{s + 2} + \frac{-3}{(s + 2)^2}$$

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## Advanced Problems

Consider the stable, continuous-time system whose inputs and outputs satisfy the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} - 4y(t) = -4x(t).$$

- (g). Define vectors **b3** and **a3** to represent the numerator and denominator polynomials of the system function  $H_3(j\omega)$ .
- (h). Compute the partial fraction expansion of  $H_3(j\omega)$  using **residue**. Analytically recombine the terms of your sum to verify you get back  $H_3(j\omega)$ .
- (i). Determine the impulse response  $h_3(t)$  for the system based on the partial fraction expansion. Remember that  $h_3(t)$  must be absolutely integrable because you have assumed the system is stable. Is  $h_3(t)$  causal?

You may ignore the last question of 4.5(i) in your lab report.

- Any questions?

