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# Mass Spring Response

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An example of obtaining the response of a double mass-spring system.

## Define Symbolic Variables

Define the state variables, input variables, and any constants.

```
syms M1 B B1 K K1 M2 B2 K2 t positive
syms u1(t) u2(t)
syms y1(t) y2(t)
```

## Define the State Space Model

The system is defined by the equations of motion:

$$M_1 \ddot{y}_1 + (B + B_1) \dot{y}_1 + (K + K_1) y_1 - B \dot{y}_2 - K y_2 = u_1$$

$$M_2 \ddot{y}_2 + (B + B_2) \dot{y}_2 + (K + K_2) y_2 - B_1 \dot{y}_1 - K y_1 = u_2$$

```
f1 = M1*diff(y1, t, t) + (B + B1)*diff(y1, t) + (K + K1)*y1 -
    B*diff(y2, t) - K*y2 == u1;
f2 = M2*diff(y2, t, t) + (B + B2)*diff(y2, t) + (K + K2)*y2 -
    B1*diff(y1, t) - K*y1 == -u2;
```

Convert the equations of motion to state space form. The state variables are defined as  $y_1, \dot{y}_1, y_2, \dot{y}_2$ .

```
sys = eom2symss([f1, f2], [y1, diff(y1, t), y2, diff(y2, t)]);
```

Specify the inputs as  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ .

```
sys.inputs = [u1 u2];
```

Define the output equations.

```
sys.g(1) = y1;
sys.g(2) = y2;
```

## Specify Initial Conditions

Specify constant values and initial conditions.

```
cons = {M1==0.1, B==1, B1==1, K==1, K1==1, M2==2, B2==1, K2==1};
ic = [1 0 0 0];
```

Obtain the symbolic system response.

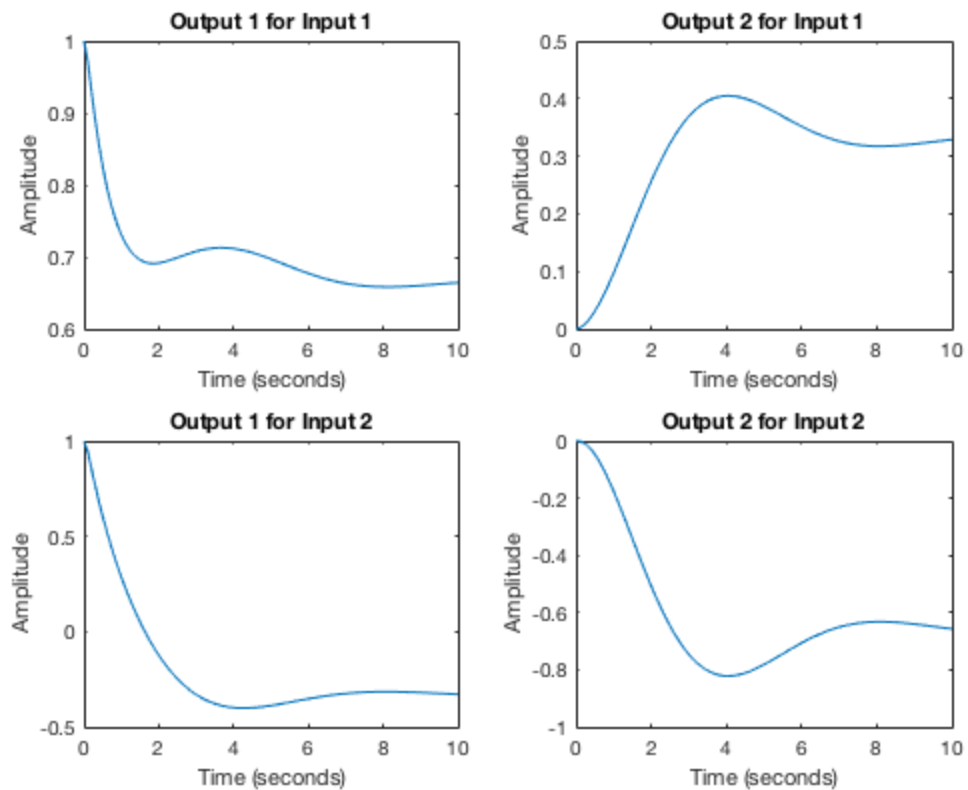
```
y = step(sys|cons, ic);
```

Define the time interval to plot over and get the time-series data for the system response.

```
T = 0:0.1:10;  
ts = gettsdata(y, T);
```

Plot the system response for the time series data obtained.

```
plotttsdata(ts, T);
```



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