

# Autocorrelation method

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## Exemple with a sinus signal

We want to modelize the signal with a all pole second order model :

$$H(z) = \frac{b(0)}{1 + a(1)z^{-1} + a(2)z^{-2}} \quad (1)$$

The normal equation are :

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_x(0) & r_x(1) \\ r_x(1) & r_x(0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a(1) \\ a(2) \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} r_x(1) \\ r_x(2) \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$R_x \bar{a}_p = -r_x$$

## Theoric value of the autocorrelation and Prony computed all pole filter

The theoric autocorrelation of  $x(n)$  are given by (see exemple 3.3.1 in chapter 3) :

$$r_x(k) = E\{x(n)x(n-k)\} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=k}^N x(n)x(n-k) = \frac{1}{2} A^2 \cos(k\omega_0) \quad (3)$$

Try several number of samples  $N$ , first a multiple of the period length (ex 40) and also 38 or 42 or 55 .... the result will be very different to the theory.

$N = 55$

$N_0 = 20$

$A = 1$

$x = 55 \times 1$

```
0
0.3090
0.5878
0.8090
0.9511
1.0000
0.9511
0.8090
0.5878
0.3090
:
```

$p = 2$

If we compare with the theoretic values of the autocorrelation (3) we have the values  $r_x(k)$  for  $k = 0, 1, 2$  :

```
rxth = 1x3
    0.5000    0.4755    0.4045
```

```
Rxth = 2x2
    0.5000    0.4755
    0.4755    0.5000
```

```
apth = 3x1
    1.0000
   -1.9021
    1.0000
```

```
Ep = 5.5511e-17
```

```
pth = 2x1 complex
    0.9511 + 0.3090i
    0.9511 - 0.3090i
```

As expected the norm of the poles is = 1, that produces an impulse response  $h(n) = x(n)$ .

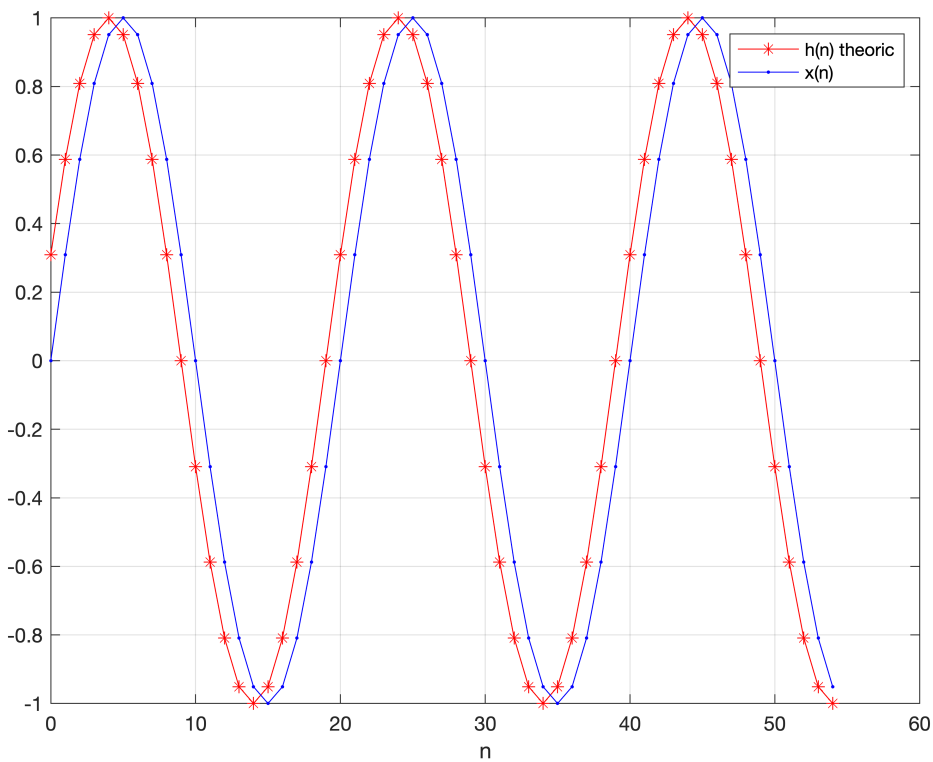
```
Norm_pth = 2x1
    1.0000
    1.0000
```

```
H_th =
```

```
    0.309
-----
  z^2 - 1.902 z + 1
```

```
Sample time: 1 seconds
Discrete-time transfer function.
```

```
h_th = 1x55
    0.3090    0.5878    0.8090    0.9511    1.0000    0.9511    0.8090    0.5878 ...
```



## Autocorrelation Method to estimate the all pole filter

The estimation of the autocorrelation as the Prony Autocorrelation method is different:

$$\hat{r}_x(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=k}^N x(n)x(n-k) \quad ; \quad k \geq 0 \quad (4)$$

To estimate the autocorrelation with a finite record of N points we use the convolution matrix:

```
X = convmtx(x,p+1);
Xp = X(1:N+p-1, 1:p)
Rx = Xp' * Xp * 1/N
rx = Xp'*X(2:N+p,1) / N
```

```
Xp = 56x2
      0      0
0.3090      0
0.5878    0.3090
0.8090    0.5878
0.9511    0.8090
1.0000    0.9511
0.9511    1.0000
0.8090    0.9511
0.5878    0.8090
0.3090    0.5878
```

```

      :
      :
Rx = 2x2
    0.4909    0.4582
    0.4582    0.4909

```

```

rx = 2x1
    0.4582
    0.3824

```

```

ap = 3x1
    1.0000
   -1.6027
    0.7170

```

```

err = 1.6882

```

```

bq0 = 1.2993

```

The pole of the transfer function are :

```

poles = 2x1 complex
    0.8014 + 0.2735i
    0.8014 - 0.2735i

```

We see the norm of the poles are  $< 1$ , filter is stable but the impulse response  $h(n)$  is the damped sinus ....

```

Norm_p = 2x1
    0.8468
    0.8468

```

```

H_acm =

```

$$\frac{1.299}{z^2 - 1.603z + 0.717}$$

```

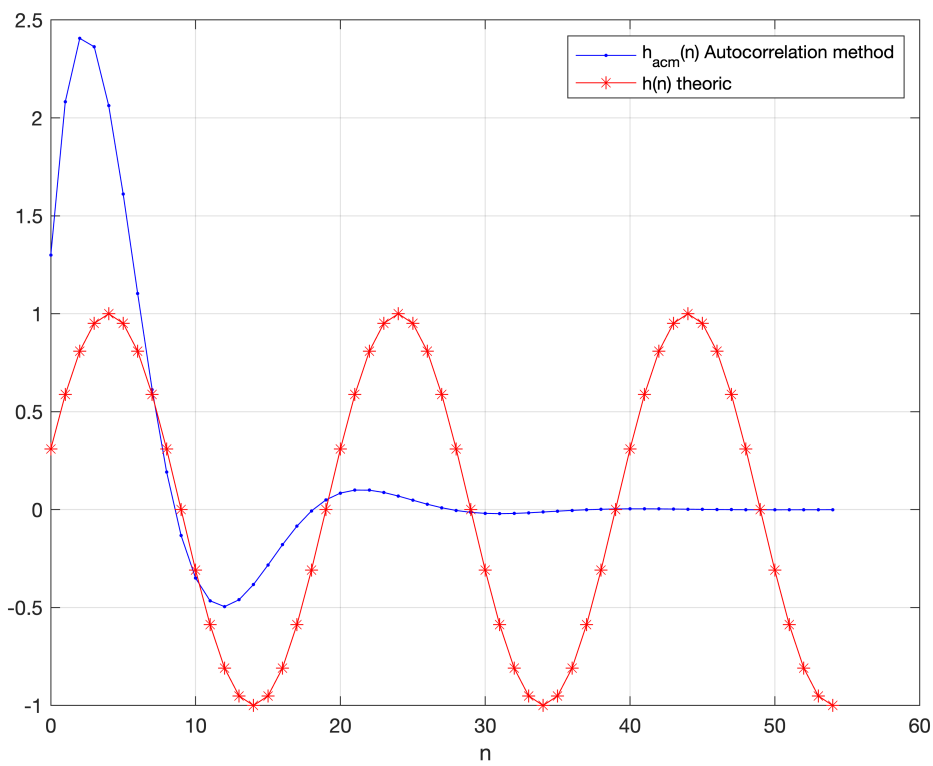
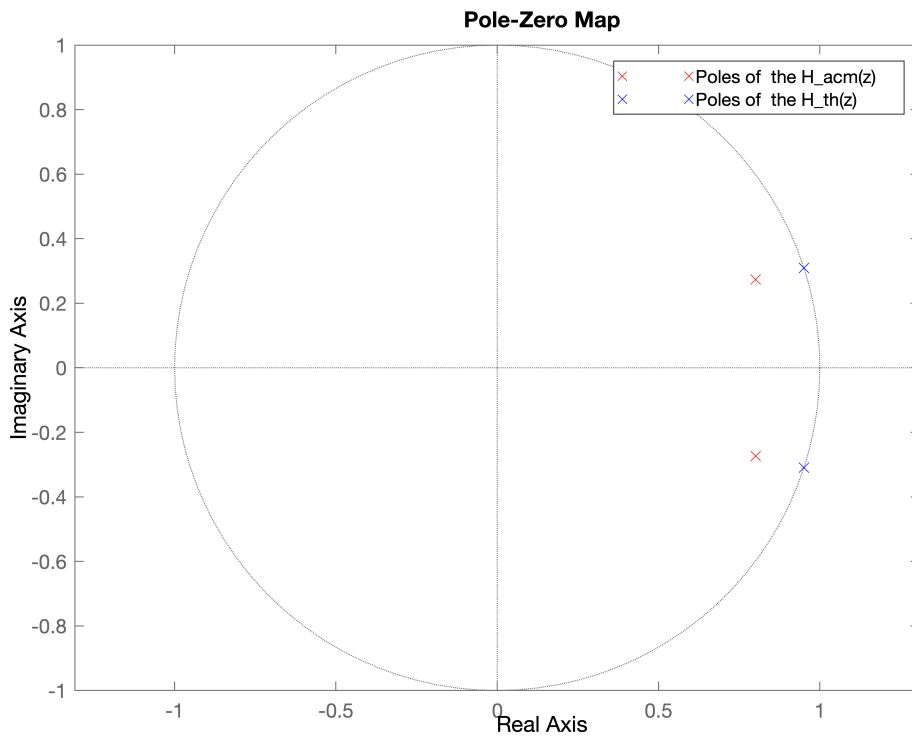
Sample time: 1 seconds
Discrete-time transfer function.

```

```

h_acm = 1x55
    1.2993    2.0825    2.4060    2.3630    2.0622    1.6108    1.1031    0.6130 ...

```



**Covariance Method to estimate the all pole filter**

Now try with the Covariance method:

$$\hat{r}_{xcov}(k, l) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=p}^N x(n-l)x(n-k)$$

we compute the autocorrelation matrix with the convm :

```
Xp_cov = X(p:N-1, 1:p)
Rxcov = Xp_cov' * Xp_cov *1/N
```

```
Xp_cov = 53x2
    0.3090      0
    0.5878      0.3090
    0.8090      0.5878
    0.9511      0.8090
    1.0000      0.9511
    0.9511      1.0000
    0.8090      0.9511
    0.5878      0.8090
    0.3090      0.5878
    0.0000      0.3090
    ⋮
```

```
Rxcov = 2x2
    0.4745      0.4442
    0.4442      0.4626
```

```
rx_cov = 2x1
    0.4582
    0.3824
```

```
ap_cov = 3x1
    1.0000
   -1.9021
    1.0000
```

```
err_cov = 7.1054e-15
```

```
bq0_cov = 8.4294e-08
```

```
bq0_th = 0.3090
```

The pole of the transfer function are :

```
poles_cov = 2x1 complex
    0.9511 + 0.3090i
    0.9511 - 0.3090i
```

```
Norm_p_cov = 2x1
    1.0000
    1.0000
```

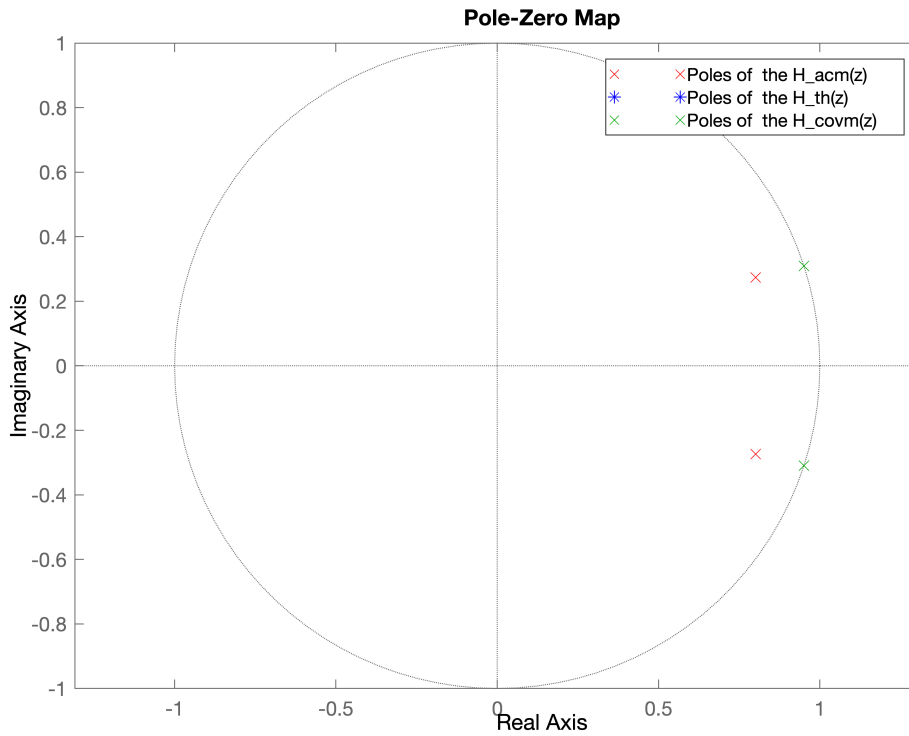
```
H_cov =
```

```
    0.309
-----
z^2 - 1.902 z + 1
```

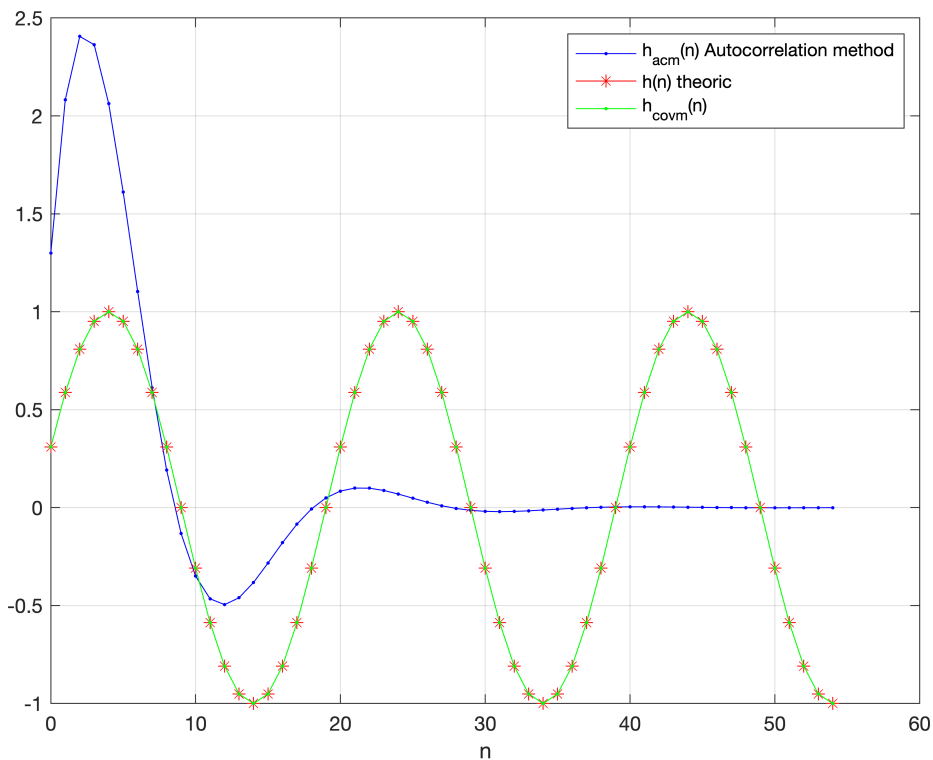
Sample time: 1 seconds  
Discrete-time transfer function.

$h_{cov} = 1 \times 55$   
0.3090    0.5878    0.8090    0.9511    1.0000    0.9511    0.8090    0.5878 ...

## Models compare: Theory, Autocorrelation method and Covariance method



If the estimation of the autocorrelation  $r_x$  is not accurate (because  $N$  is not bigger enough or is not a multiple of the periode length) the poles given by the autocorrelation method is not well estimated giving a damped sinus impulse response :



## Write and Test AutoCorrelation function with a simple example

Write the Autocorrelation method function for all pole model using Prony with finite data records that suppose that outside the recording the samples are equal to 0.

**acm** compute the all pole model using Prony with the autocorrelation method:

`[ap,bq0,ep] = acm(x,p)` : `x` is the finite length record with `N` samples, `p` is the desired number of poles : `ap` is the denominator coefficients `ap = [1,a(1), a(2), ..., a(p)]`  
`bq0` is the numerator unique coefficient `bq(0)`, `ep` is the approximation norm of the error.  
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Test the function with a finite data record and find an all pole 2nd order model :

$$H(z) = \frac{b(0)}{1 + a(1)z^{-1} + a(2)z^{-2}}$$

With the signal `x(n)` defined as:

```
N = 20;
n = 0:N-1;
x = (-1).^n.*ones(1,N)
```

`N = 50`



```
x = 1x50
    1    -1    1    -1    1    -1    1    -1    1    -1    1    -1    1 ...
```

```
p = 2
```

Calculating the squared error of the approximation

```
ap_acm = 3x1
```

```
    1.0000
```

```
    0.9899
```

```
    0.0101
```

```
bq0_acm = 1.4071
```

```
err_acm = 1.9798
```

Calculating the squared error of the approximation

```
ap_com = 3x1
```

```
    1.0000
```

```
    0.5000
```

```
   -0.5000
```

```
bq0_com = 2.0648e-07
```

```
err_com = 4.2633e-14
```

Test the model with the impulse response  $h(n)$  and compare it to the  $x(n)$  signal:

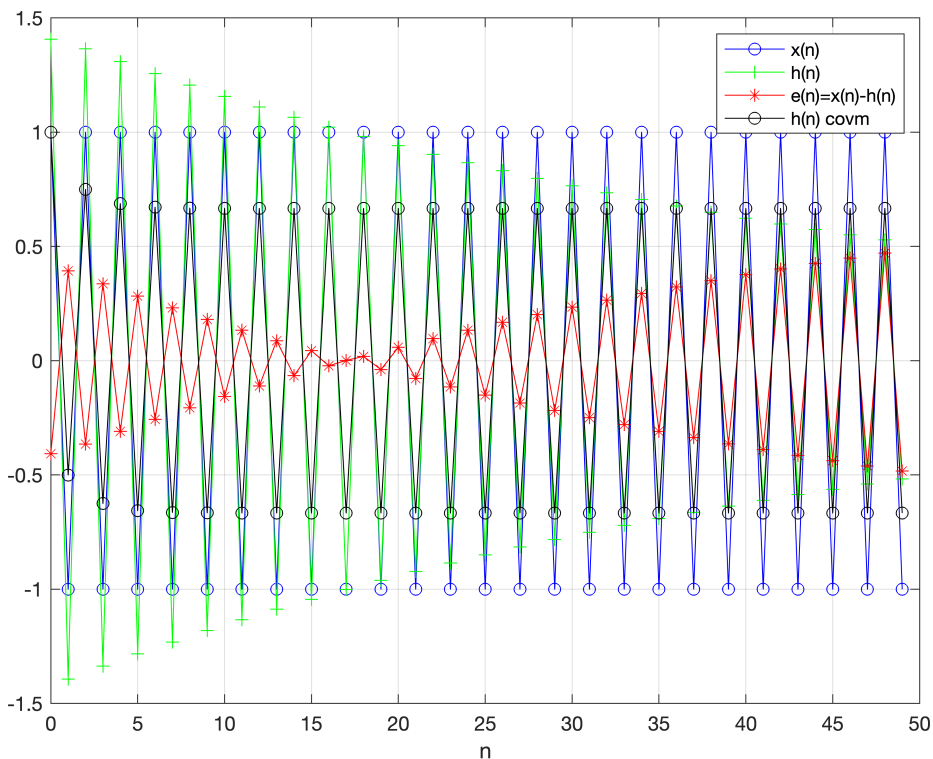
```
h_acm = 1x50
```

```
    1.4071   -1.3928    1.3646   -1.3367    1.3094   -1.2827    1.2565   -1.2309 ...
```

```
h_com = 1x50
```

```
    1.0000   -0.5000    0.7500   -0.6250    0.6875   -0.6563    0.6719   -0.6641 ...
```

```
e_LS_acm = 2.0052
```



**Exemple with a noisy sinus signal**

```

N = 400
N0 = 20
A = 1
x = 1×400
    0    0.3090    0.5878    0.8090    0.9511    1.0000    0.9511    0.8090 ...
Sigman = 0.0500
xn = 1×400
    0.0269    0.4007    0.4748    0.8521    0.9670    0.9346    0.9294    0.8261 ...

```

We want to find a second order model (2 poles) with acm:

```

p = 2
Calculating the squared error of the approximation
ap_acm2 = 3×1
    1.0000
   -1.7479
    0.8477
bq0_acm2 = 2.4565
err_acm2 = 6.0346

Calculating the squared error of the approximation
ap_com2 = 3×1
    1.0000
   -1.7506
    0.8507
bq0_com2 = 2.4195
err_com2 = 5.8540

```

The pole zero map is :

```

H_acm =

      2.457
-----
z^2 - 1.748 z + 0.8477

```

Sample time: 1 seconds  
Discrete-time transfer function.

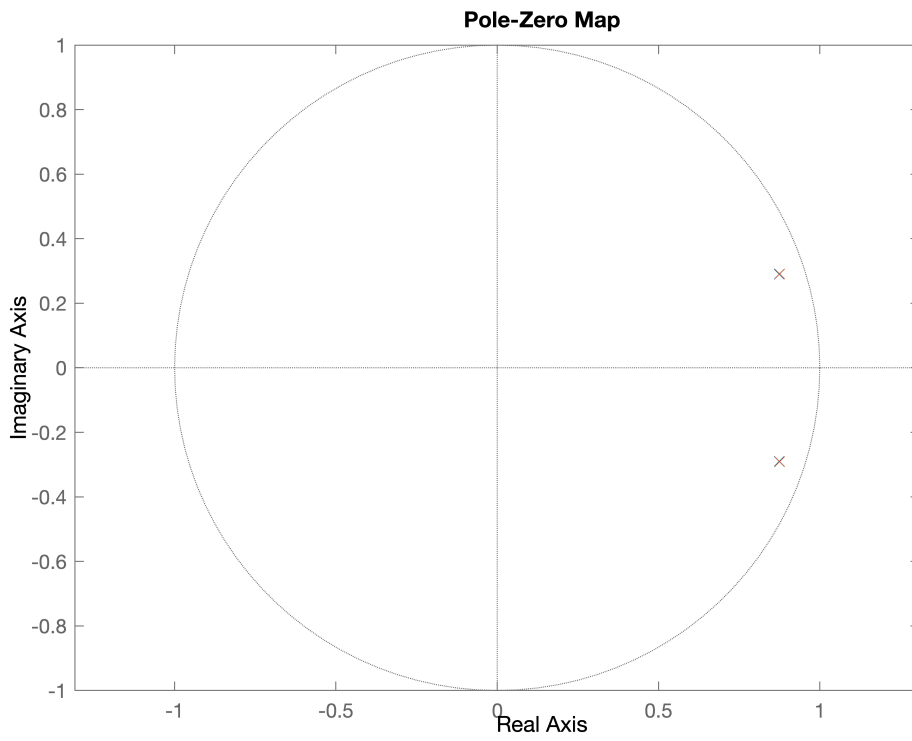
```

H_com =

      1
-----
z^2 - 1.751 z + 0.8507

```

Sample time: 1 seconds  
Discrete-time transfer function.



```

h_acm2 = 1×400
    2.4565    4.2937    5.4223    5.8376    5.6068    4.8512    3.7262    2.4005 ...

h_com2 = 1×400
    1.0000    1.7506    2.2138    2.3863    2.2942    1.9862    1.5253    0.9806 ...

```

