

Fourier Transforms for Circuit and LTI Systems Analysis

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- The source code for this page is [fourier_transform/3/ft3.ipynb](#).
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In this section we will apply what we have learned about Fourier transforms to some typical circuit problems. After a short introduction, the body of this chapter will form the basis of an examples class.

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- The system function
- Examples

The System Function

System response from system impulse response

Recall that the convolution integral of a system with impulse response $h(t)$ and input $u(t)$ is

$$h(t) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t - \tau) u(\tau) d\tau.$$

We let

$$g(t) = h(t) * u(t)$$

Then by the time convolution property

$$h(t) * u(t) = g(t) \Leftrightarrow G(\omega) = H(\omega) \cdot U(\omega)$$

The System Function

We call $H(\omega)$ the *system function*.

We note that the system function $H(\omega)$ and the impulse response $h(t)$ form the Fourier transform pair

$$h(t) \Leftrightarrow H(\omega)$$

Obtaining system response

If we know the impulse resonse $h(t)$, we can compute the system response $g(t)$ of any input $u(t)$ by multiplying the Fourier transforms of $H(\omega)$ and $U(\omega)$ to obtain $G(\omega)$. Then we take the inverse Fourier transform of $G(\omega)$ to obtain the response $g(t)$.

1. Transform $h(t) \rightarrow H(\omega)$
2. Transform $u(t) \rightarrow U(\omega)$
3. Compute $G(\omega) = H(\omega) \cdot U(\omega)$
4. Find $\mathcal{F}^{-1} \{G(\omega)\} \rightarrow g(t)$

Examples

Example 1

Karris example 8.8: for the linear network shown below, the impulse response is $h(t) = 3e^{-2t}$. Use the Fourier transform to compute the response $y(t)$ when the input $u(t) = 2[u_0(t) - u_0(t - 3)]$. Verify the result with MATLAB.

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Example 1

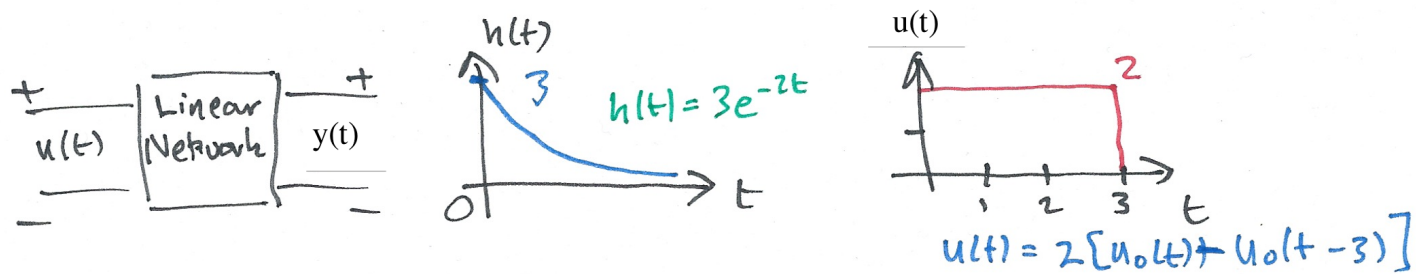
Example 2

Example 3

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Solutions

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Solution to example 1

Matlab verification of example 1

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imatlab_export_fig('print-svg') % Static svg figures.
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```
syms t w
U1 = fourier(2*heaviside(t),t,w)
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U1 =

$6.2832 \cdot \text{dirac}(w) - 2i/w$

```
H = fourier(3*exp(-2*t)*heaviside(t),t,w)
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H =

$3/(2 + w \cdot 1i)$

```
Y1=simplify(H*U1)
```

Y1 =

$9.4248 \cdot \text{dirac}(w) - 6i/(w \cdot (2 + w \cdot 1i))$

```
y1 = simplify(ifourier(Y1,w,t))
```

y1 =

$1.5000 \cdot \exp(-2 \cdot t) \cdot (\text{sign}(t) + 1) \cdot (\exp(2 \cdot t) - 1)$

Get y2

Substitute $t - 3$ into t .

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y2 = subs(y1,t,t-3)
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y2 =

$1.5000 \cdot \exp(6 - 2 \cdot t) \cdot (\text{sign}(t - 3) + 1) \cdot (\exp(2 \cdot t - 6) - 1)$

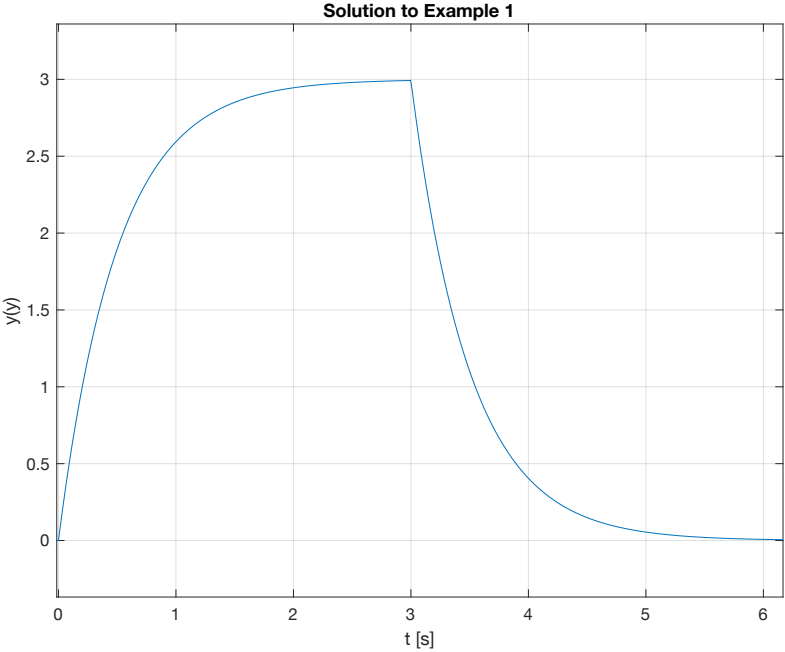
y = y1 - y2

y =

1.5000*exp(-2*t)*(sign(t) + 1)*(exp(2*t) - 1) - 1.5000*exp(6 - 2*t)*(sign(t - 3) + 1)*(exp(2*t - 6) - 1)

Plot result

```
ezplot(y)
title('Solution to Example 1')
ylabel('y(y)')
xlabel('t [s]')
grid
```



See [ft3_ex1.m](#)

Result is equivalent to:

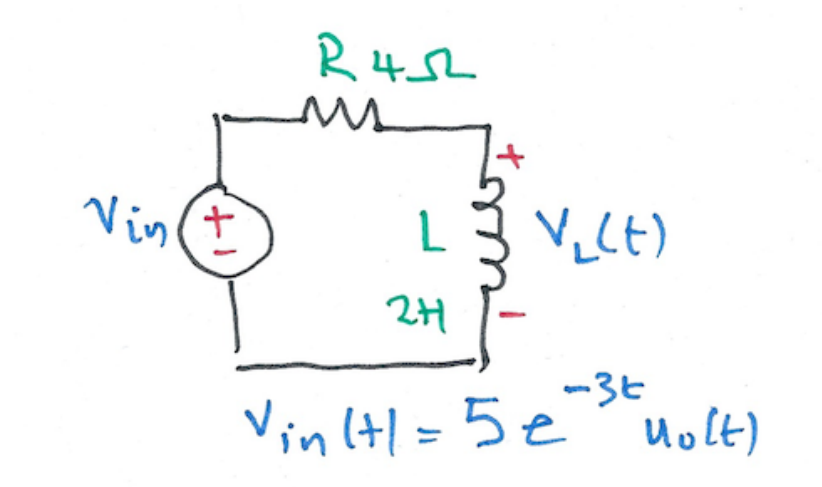
y = 3*heaviside(t) - 3*heaviside(t - 3) + 3*heaviside(t - 3)*exp(6 - 2*t) - 3*exp(-2*t)*heaviside(t)

Which after gathering terms gives

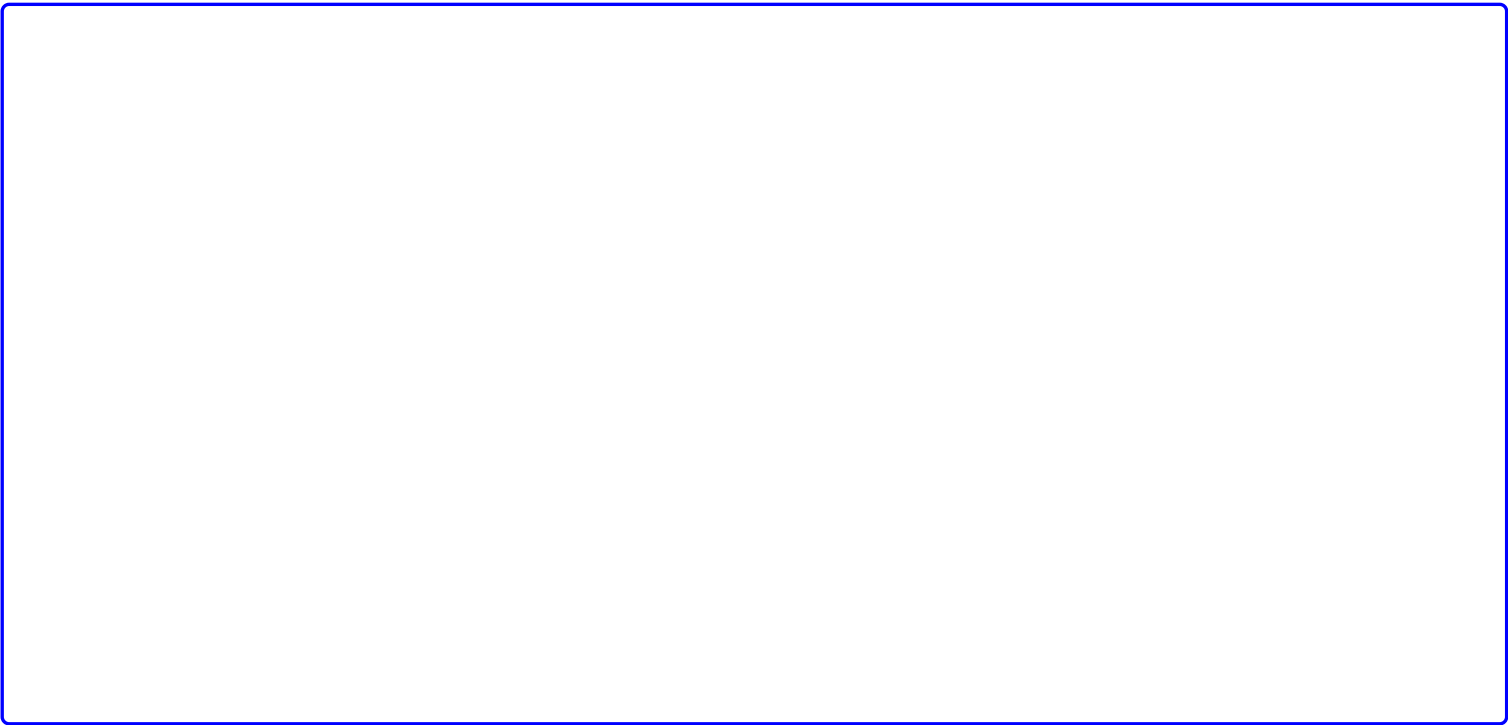
$$y(t) = 3(1 - 3e^{-2t})u_0(t) - 3(1 - 3e^{-2(t-3)})u_0(t - 3)$$

Example 2

Karris example 8.9: for the circuit shown below, use the Fourier transfrom method, and the system function $H(\omega)$ to compute $V_L(t)$. Assume $i_L(0^-) = 0$. Verify the result with Matlab.



Solution of example 2



Matlab verification of example 2

```
syms t w
H = j*w/(j*w + 2)
```

H =

$$(w*1i)/(2 + w*1i)$$

```
Vin = fourier(5*exp(-3*t)*heaviside(t),t,w)
```

Vin =

$$5/(3 + w*1i)$$

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Vout=simplify(H*Vin)
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Vout =

$$(w*5i)/((2 + w*1i)*(3 + w*1i))$$

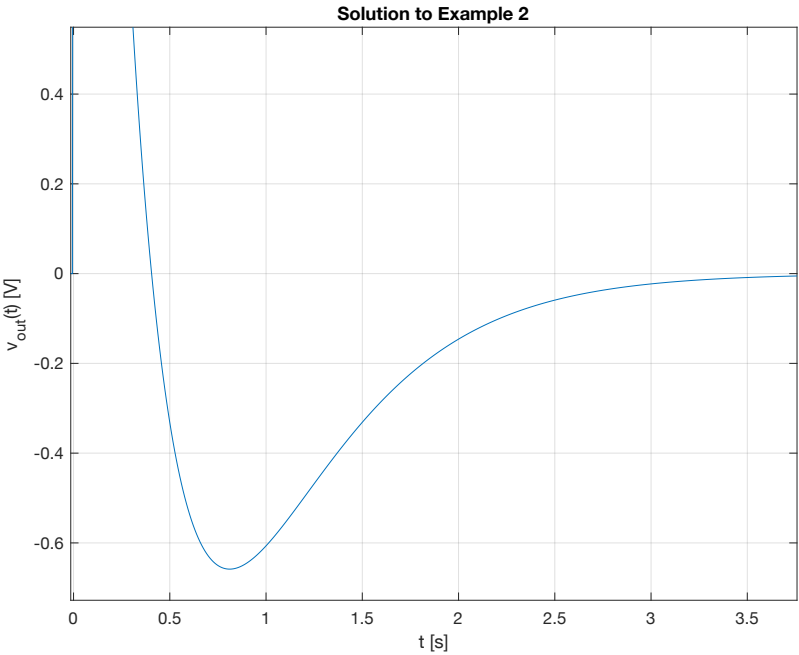
```
vout = simplify(ifourier(Vout,w,t))
```

vout =

$$-2.5000*exp(-3*t)*(sign(t) + 1)*(2*exp(t) - 3)$$

Plot result

```
ezplot(vout)
title('Solution to Example 2')
ylabel('v_{out}(t) [V]')
xlabel('t [s]')
grid
```



Result is equivalent to:

```
vout = -5*exp(-3*t)*heaviside(t)*(2*exp(t) - 3)
```

Which after gathering terms gives

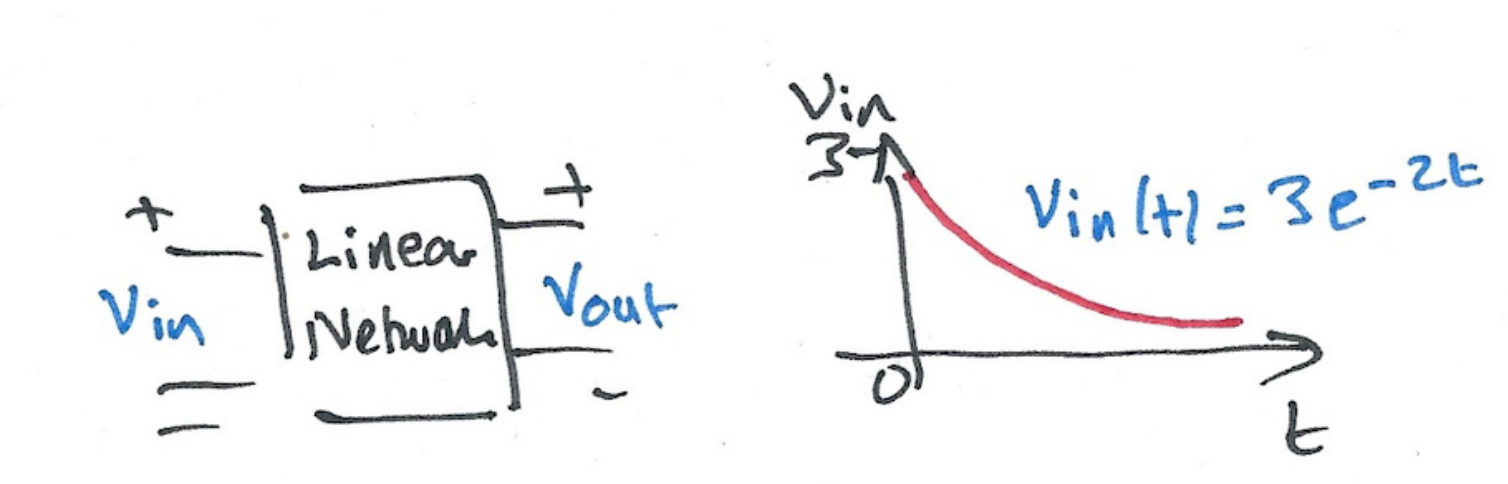
$$v_{\text{out}} = 5 \left(3e^{-3t} - 2e^{-2t} \right) u_0(t)$$

Example 3

Karris example 8.10: for the linear network shown below, the input-output relationship is:

$$\frac{d}{dt}v_{\text{out}} + 4v_{\text{out}} = 10v_{\text{in}}$$

where $v_{\text{in}} = 3e^{-2t}$. Use the Fourier transform method, and the system function $H(\omega)$ to compute the output v_{out} . Verify the result with Matlab.



Solution to example 3

Matlab verification of example 3

```
syms t w
H = 10/(j*w + 4)

H =

10/(4 + w*1i)

Vin = fourier(3*exp(-2*t)*heaviside(t),t,w)

Vin =

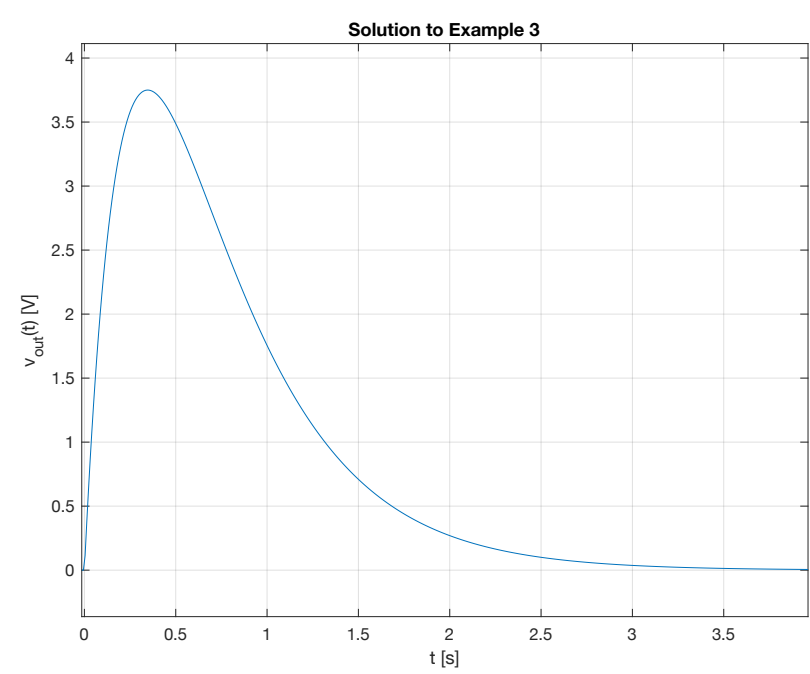
3/(2 + w*1i)

Vout=simplify(H*Vin)
```

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Vout =  
  
30/((2 + w*1i)*(4 + w*1i))  
  
vout = simplify(iffourier(Vout,w,t))  
  
vout =  
  
7.5000*exp(-4*t)*(sign(t) + 1)*(exp(2*t) - 1)
```

Plot result

```
ezplot(vout)  
title('Solution to Example 3')  
ylabel('v_{out}(t) [V]')  
xlabel('t [s]')  
grid
```



See [ft3_ex3.m](#)

Result is equiavlent to:

```
15*exp(-4*t)*heaviside(t)*(exp(2*t) - 1)
```

Which after gathering terms gives

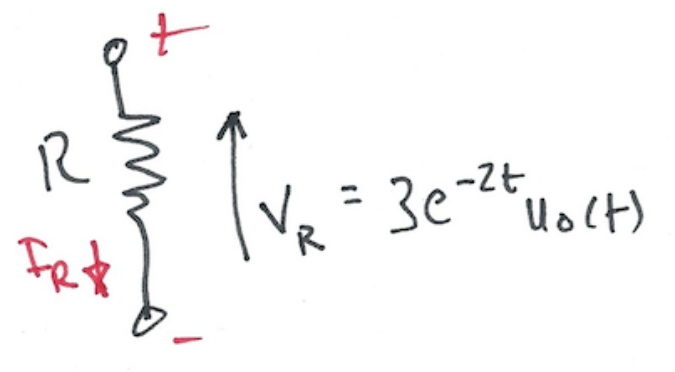
$$v_{\text{out}}(t) = 15 \left(e^{-2t} - e^{-4t} \right) u_0(t)$$

Example 4

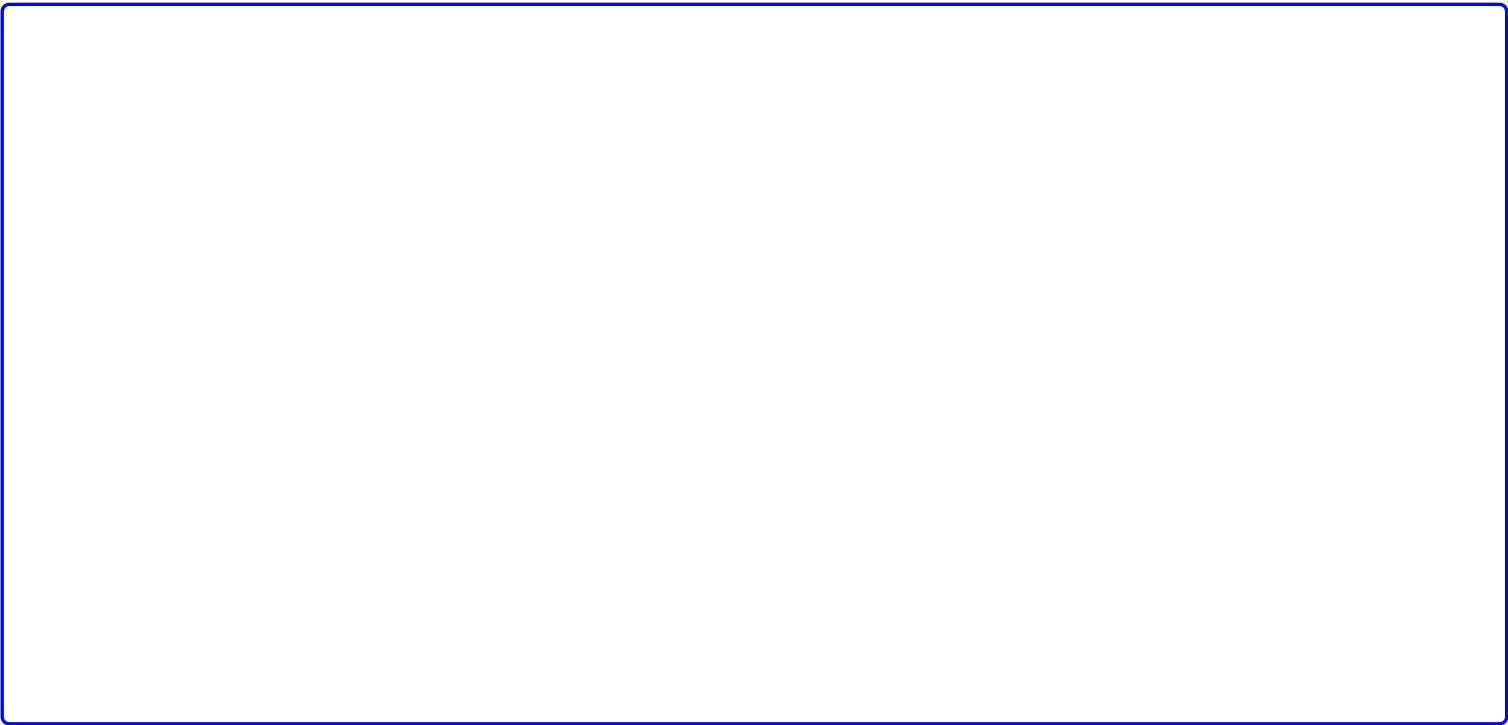
Karris example 8.11: the voltage across a $1\,\Omega$ resistor is known to be $V_R(t) = 3e^{-2t}u_0(t)$. Compute the energy dissipated in the resistor for $0 < t < \infty$, and verify the result using Parseval's theorem. Verify the result with Matlab.

Note from [tables of integrals](#)

$$\int \frac{1}{a^2 + x^2} dx = \frac{1}{a} \arctan \frac{x}{a} + C.$$



Solution to example 4



Matlab verification of example 4

```
syms t w
```

Calcuate energy from time function

```
Vr = 3*exp(-2*t)*heaviside(t);  
R = 1;  
Pr = Vr^2/R  
Wr = int(Pr,t,0,inf)
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Pr =

$9\exp(-4t)\text{heaviside}(t)^2$

Wr =

2.2500

Calculate using Parseval’s theorem

```
Fw = fourier(Vr,t,w)
```

Fw =

$3/(2 + w1i)$

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Fw2 = simplify(abs(Fw)^2)
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Fw2 =

$9/\text{abs}(2 + w1i)^2$

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Wr=2/(2*pi)*int(Fw2,w,0,inf)
```

Wr =

2.2500

See [ft3_ex4.m](#)

Solutions

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