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```
clear; close all
```

Define the system

Let's use the model of a motor with a flexible shaft connected to a load, with bearing damping.

```
J = 0.1;
k = 400;
B = 0.41e-3;
L = 10e-3;
R = 3;
km = 3.5;

A = ...
  [ ...
    -B/J          1/J; ...
    -k/(1+k*L/km^2)  -k*R/(km^2 + k*L); ...
  ];

B = ...
  [ ...
    0; ...
    k*km/(km^2 + k*L) ...
  ];

C = ...
  [ ...
    1  0; ...
    0  1 ...
  ];

D = ...
  [ ...
    0; ...
    0 ...
  ];
```

Define the system model

In matlab, we can define a system model with the ss command as follows.

```
sys = ss(A,B,C,D);
```

```
% Note: if you are unsure how to use this or any command, type  
% "help <command>" to see the documentation.
```

Step response

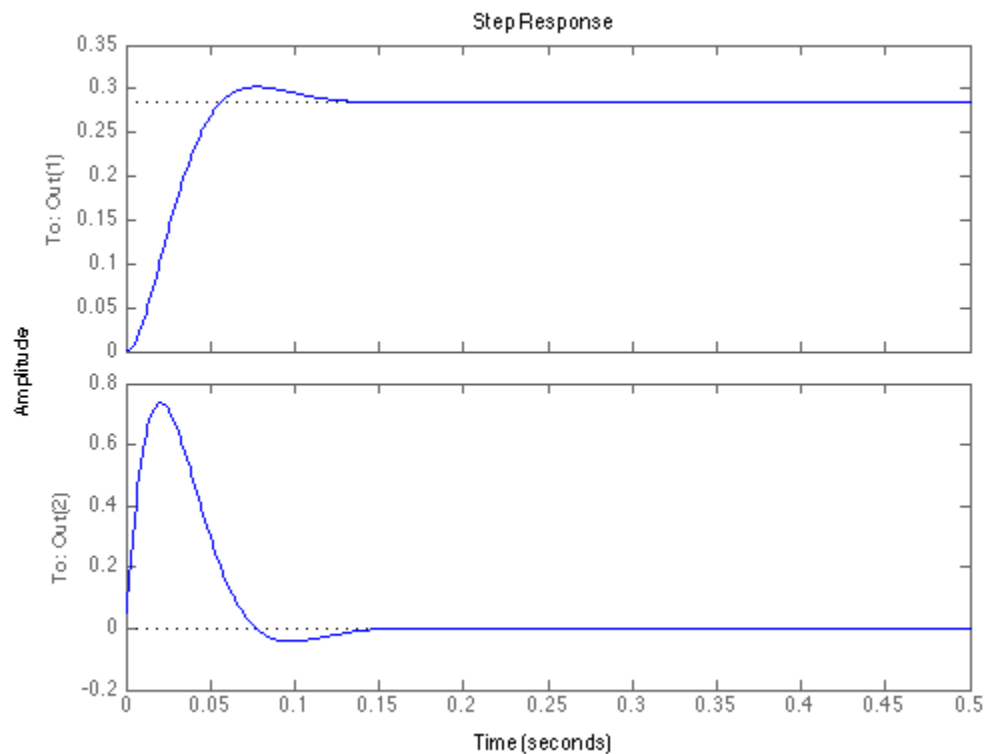
Let's say we are interested in finding the step response for the system. We can use the step command to simulate this.

```
t = 0:0.001:0.5; % define a time vector  
figure; step(sys,t)
```

```
% However, we might want to access the actual data from simulation. In this  
% case, we might use the following call to step.
```

```
[ ys, tdum, xs ] = step(sys,t);
```

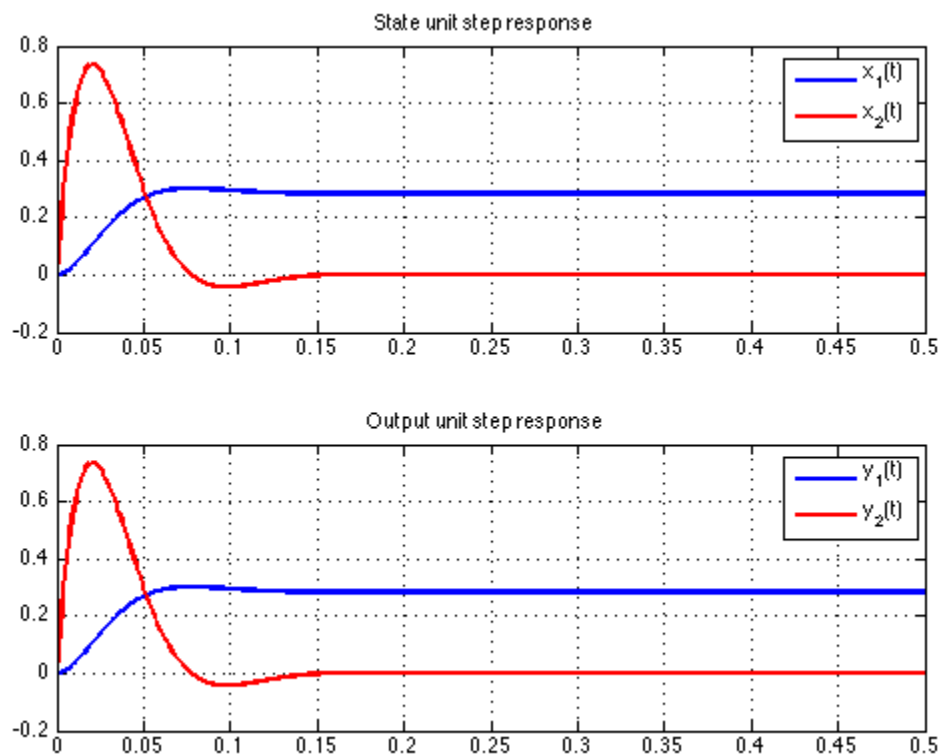
```
% This returns the time vector t,  
% output matrix y (number of time steps by the output vector length), and  
% state matrix x (number of time steps by the state vector length).
```



Plotting the step response

Let's plot the step response from the data.

```
figure;  
subplot(2,1,1);  
    plot( t, xs(:,1), 'b','Linewidth', 2 ); hold on  
    plot( t, xs(:,2), 'r','Linewidth', 2 );  
    title('State unit step response')  
    legend('x_1(t)','x_2(t)')  
    xlim([0 t(end)])  
    grid on  
subplot(2,1,2);  
    plot( t, ys(:,1), 'b','Linewidth', 2 ); hold on  
    plot( t, ys(:,2), 'r','Linewidth', 2 );  
    title('Output unit step response')  
    legend('y_1(t)','y_2(t)')  
    xlim([0 t(end)])  
    grid on
```



Response to an arbitrary input

Let's construct an input

```
u = zeros(size(t)); % initialize to zero  
u(1:round(length(t)/2)) = 10*t(1:round(length(t)/2)).^2;
```

```

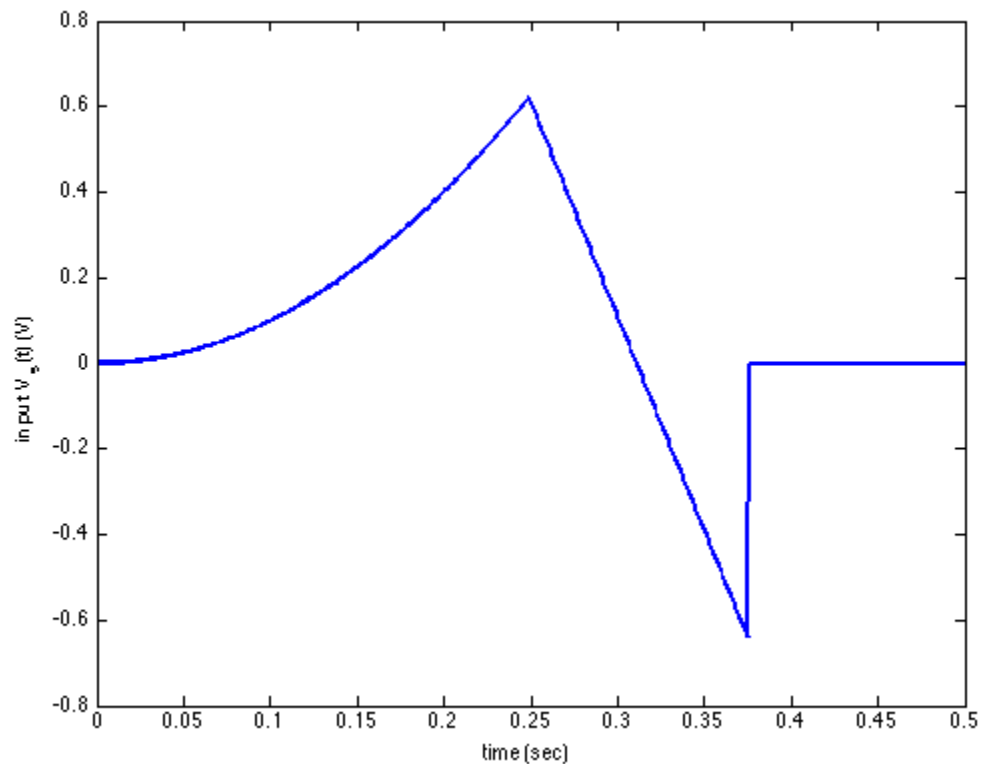
u(round(length(t)/2):round(3*length(t)/4)) = 3.11-10*t(round(length(t)/2):round(3*

% Plot the input
figure;
plot( t, u, 'Linewidth', 2 );
xlabel('time (sec)')
ylabel('input V_s(t) (V)')

% Simulate the response
[ y, tdum, x ] = lsim( sys, u, t );

% Note: you can also add initial conditions to lsim.

```



Plot the response to an arbitrary input

Since we've now called almost the same code in two places, we should probably just write a plotting function. I didn't want to make this confusing, though.

```

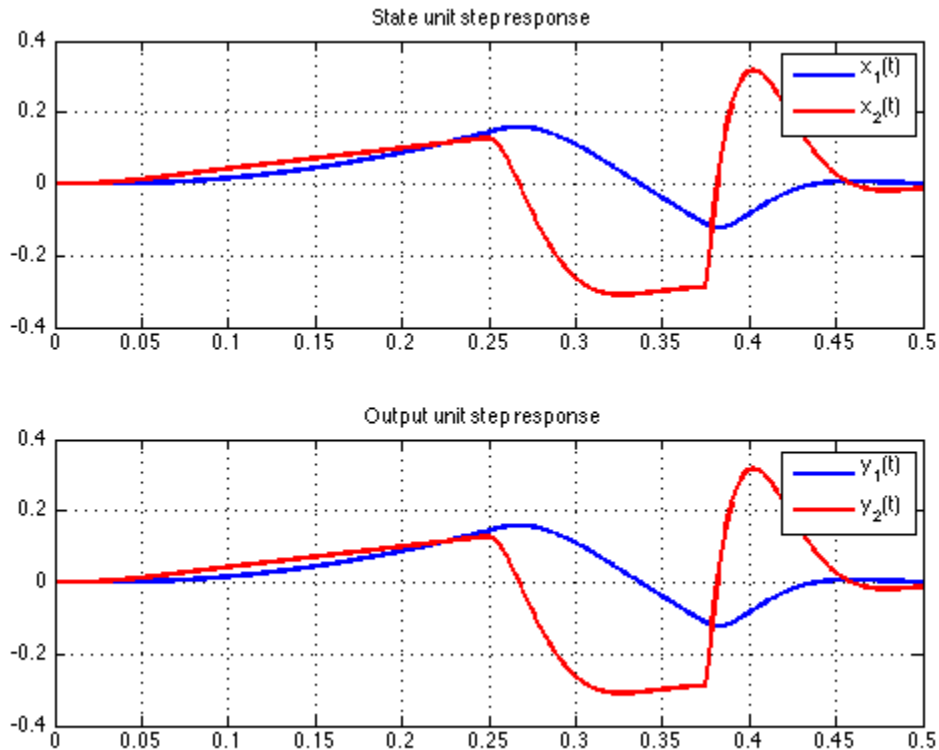
figure;
subplot(2,1,1);
plot( t, x(:,1), 'b', 'Linewidth', 2 ); hold on
plot( t, x(:,2), 'r', 'Linewidth', 2 );
title('State unit step response')
legend('x_1(t)', 'x_2(t)')
xlim([0 t(end)])
grid on

```

```

subplot(2,1,2);
plot( t, y(:,1), 'b','Linewidth', 2 ); hold on
plot( t, y(:,2), 'r','Linewidth', 2 );
title('Output unit step response')
legend('y_1(t)','y_2(t)')
xlim([0 t(end)])
grid on

```



Transfer function

We could also derive the transfer functions for the two outputs. This is easy enough.

```

[ num, den ] = ss2tf( A, B, C, D );

% There are two num rows, corresponding to the two outputs.
% There's only one den row, which is the denominator for all transfer
% functions.

% We can create a Matlab system object with the transfer function, as well.
systf1 = tf( num(1,:), den )
systf2 = tf( num(2,:), den )

```

systf1 =

861.5

```

-----
s^2 + 73.85 s + 3016

Continuous-time transfer function.

systf2 =

      86.15 s + 0.3532
-----
s^2 + 73.85 s + 3016

Continuous-time transfer function.

```

Poles and zeros

Finding poles and zeros is easy, too.

```

% Poles for transfer functions:
polestf1 = pole(systf1)
polestf2 = pole(systf2)

% Poles for the state model:
poless = pole(sys)

% Why are all three equal?

% Zeros and gains can be found in a similar way:
[ zerostf1, gtf1 ] = zero(systf1)
[ zerostf2, gtf2 ] = zero(systf2)
zeross = zero(sys) % I'm not sure why this is only returning the (nonexistent) ze

% You may also do pole-zero plots
figure;
subplot(1,2,1)
    pzplot(systf1)
    axis equal
    zgrid % nice touch, shows natural frequency and damping ratio
subplot(1,2,2)
    pzplot(systf2)
    axis equal
    zgrid

polestf1 =

    -36.9251 +40.6475i
    -36.9251 -40.6475i

polestf2 =

    -36.9251 +40.6475i

```

-36.9251 -40.6475i

polesss =

-36.9251 +40.6475i
-36.9251 -40.6475i

zerostf1 =

Empty matrix: 0-by-1

gtf1 =

861.5385

zerostf2 =

-0.0041

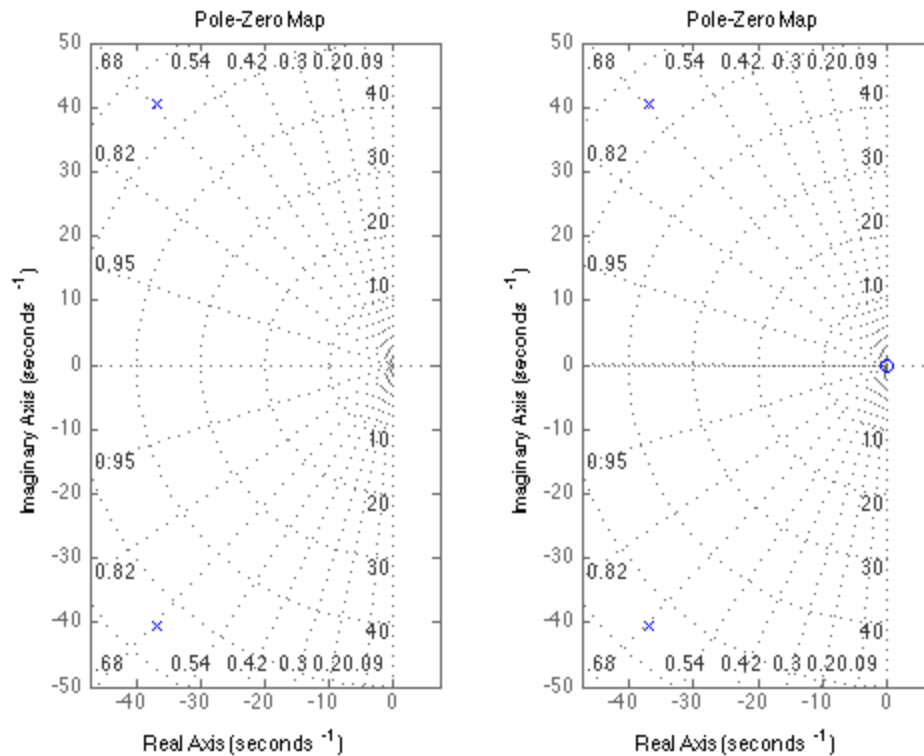
gtf2 =

86.1538

Warning: Use TZERO to compute the transmission zeros of a SISO or MIMO model

zeross =

Empty matrix: 0-by-1



Diagonalization

We can also diagonalize the system and find its state transition matrix.

```

% The eig function returns
% the eigenvalue matrix  $\Lambda$  (which has the eigenvalues on the diagonal) and
% the modal matrix M (which has the corresponding eigenvectors as columns).
[ M, Lambda ] = eig(A)

% The state transition matrix is: (commented because it requires the
% symbolic toolbox, which I don't have atm.
% time = sym('time');
% Phi = expm( A * t )

% Transform to a basis that diagonalizes the A matrix:
Ap = inv(M)*A*M
Bp = inv(M)*B;
Cp = C*M;
Dp = D;

% Notice that  $A' = \Lambda$ :
Ap - Lambda % should be tiny

sysp = ss(Ap,Bp,Cp,Dp);

% Even though the system is defined by complex matrices, its model works

```

```

% just fine. For instance, let's examine the step response.
[ yps, tdum, xps ] = step(sysp,t);

figure;
plot( t, real(yps(:,1)), 'b','Linewidth', 2 ); hold on
plot( t, real(yps(:,2)), 'r','Linewidth', 2 );
title('Output unit step response')
legend('y_1(t)','y_2(t)')
xlim([0 t(end)])
grid on

% Note: taking the real parts was ok because the imaginary parts are
% virtually zero. The states are complex, though, so we cannot simply lop
% off the imaginary parts.

```

M =

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.1205 - 0.1326i & -0.1205 + 0.1326i \\ 0.9838 + 0.0000i & 0.9838 + 0.0000i \end{bmatrix}$$

Lambda =

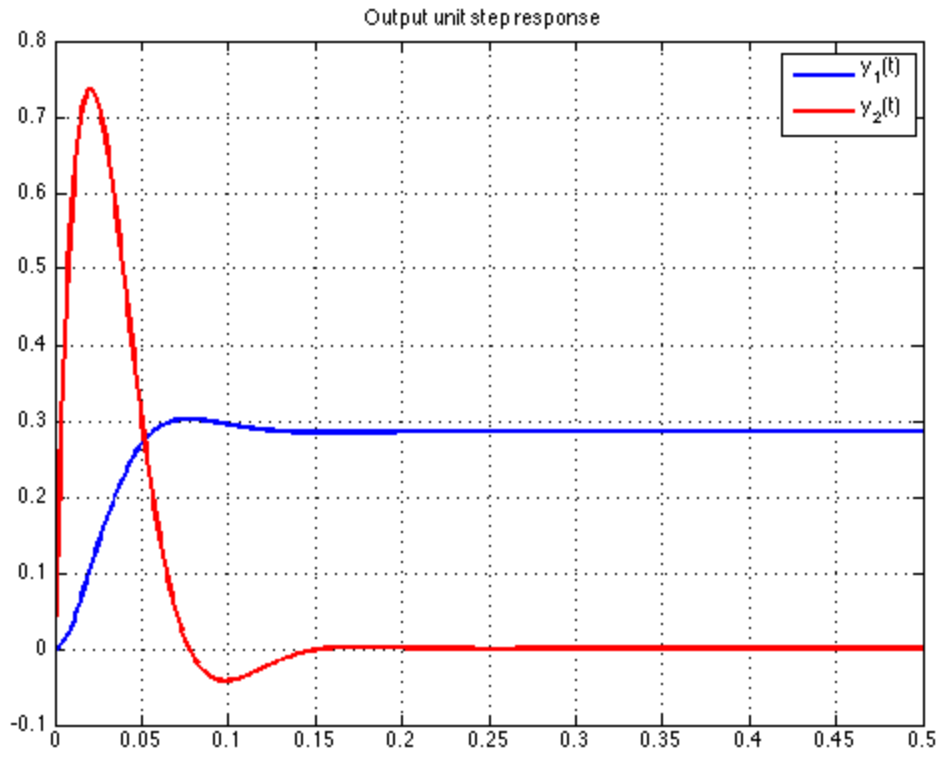
$$\begin{bmatrix} -36.9251 + 40.6475i & 0.0000 + 0.0000i \\ 0.0000 + 0.0000i & -36.9251 - 40.6475i \end{bmatrix}$$

Ap =

$$\begin{bmatrix} -36.9251 + 40.6475i & 0.0000 - 0.0000i \\ 0.0000 - 0.0000i & -36.9251 - 40.6475i \end{bmatrix}$$

ans =

$$1.0e-13 * \begin{bmatrix} 0.0000 + 0.0000i & 0.0711 - 0.0933i \\ 0.1066 - 0.0133i & 0.0711 + 0.0711i \end{bmatrix}$$



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