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Harmonic response function

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- ▲ Let us consider an *asymptotically stable LTI system*.
- A Given an input signal u(t) and an initial condition x(0), we define
 - * *steady-state response* $y_{ss}(t)$, the regular behavior of the total response y(t) (*if exist*) after an infinite time from the application of the input.
 - ★ transient response $y_t(t)$, the difference between the total response of the system and the steady-state response $y_t(t) = y(t) - y_{ss}(t)$.



- The steady-state response of asymptotically stable system is independent from the initial condition.
- ▲ It depends on the particular input applied to the system





▲ The step response is characterized by "decaying" exponential functions related to the system evolution modes and a constant value



▲ The "decaying" exponential functions determine *the transient* part of the response while the constant term is the *steady-state* value.





▲ Different evolution modes determine different transient responses.



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Response at sinusoidal inputs of LTI systems





Total response of system $W(s) = 1/(s^2+s+1)$ to the input $u(t) = \sin(2t) \cdot 1(t)$.





A Let us consider an asymptotically stable LTI system with a transfer function W(s) subject to a sinusoidal input signal

- ★ The evaluation of the steady state response of LTI system to sinusoidal inputs is very interest taking into account that any periodic signal, f(t) = f(t + T), with period T $(\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T})$, can be decomposed in the sum of a finite or infinite sinusoids by means of the Fourier series, as $f(t) = F_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [F_{cn} \cos(n\omega_0 t) + F_{sn} \sin(n\omega_0 t)]$
- ▲ In this case, the frequency spectrum (i.e., the coefficients of the Fourier series) of the signal is discrete (i.e., it is defined only a certain frequencies)
- An aperiodic signal can be analysed in the frequency domain by applying the Fourier transform, defined as $\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt$. The spectrum becomes a continuous function of ω (i.e. defined for all the frequency values).



▲ It is possible to prove that the steady state response of an LTI system with transfer function W(s) to a sinusoidal inputs $u(t) = U_0 \sin(\omega_0 t + \phi)$ can be written in the time domain as

$$y_{ss}(t) = U_0 |W(s)|_{s=j\omega_0} \sin(\omega_0 t + \varphi + \angle W(s)_{s=j\omega_0})$$

where

- * $|W(s)|_{s=j\omega_0}$ is the magnitude of the Laplace transform of W(s) evaluated in $s = j\omega_0$.
- ↓ $∠W(s)|_{s=j\omega_0}$ is the phase of the Laplace transform of W(s) evaluated
 in s = jω_0.



Filters

- \checkmark The proposed result can be summarized as follows:
 - * The magnitude of a sinusoidal input signal $u(t) = \sin(\omega_0 t + \phi)$ is amplified or reduced by a linear system depending on the value of $|W(s)|_{s=j\omega_0}$.
 - An input signal $u(t) = \sin(\omega_0 t + \phi)$ is *phase shifted* by a linear system depending on the value of $\angle W(s)|_{s=j\omega_0}$.
- ▲ In other terms, *a linear system can be designed as a filter* able to amplify without distortion a certain set of input signals Ω_1 and reduce or eliminate another signals.
- ▲ Possible structures of filters will be discussed in the following lessons.



A This result underlines the importance of the function $W(j\omega)$ for the analysis of the forced response of LTI systems.

A The function $W(j\omega)$ is called *harmonic response function* of the system.

▲ In the following we present a method able to rapidly evaluate the magnitude and the phase $W(j\omega)$ as a function of ω .



- A **Bode diagrams** allows to extract the magnitude and the phase of $W(j\omega)$ as a function of ω
- ▲ Bode diagrams are a main tool for the closed loop control design



A Given an asymptotically stable LTI system, the *harmonic response function* $W(j\omega)$ is given by the ratio of polynomial with real and complex conjugate roots

$$W(j\omega) = W(s)|_{s=j\omega} = K \frac{s^{\nu} \prod_{i} (1 + \sigma_{i}s)^{m_{i}} \prod_{q} \left(1 + \frac{2\xi_{q}}{\omega_{nq}} s + \frac{s^{2}}{\omega_{nq}^{2}} \right)^{\eta_{q}}}{\prod_{j} (1 + \tau_{j}s)^{n_{j}} \prod_{p} \left(1 + \frac{2\zeta_{p}}{\omega_{np}} s + \frac{s^{2}}{\omega_{np}^{2}} \right)^{\kappa_{p}}} \bigg|_{s=j\omega}$$



- ▲ In the Bode diagrams magnitude and phase of $W(j\omega)$ are represented on two different Cartesian planes.
- A The x-axis of both magnitude and phase Bode diagrams are in a logarithmic scale ($log_{10}\omega$)

On a logarithmic scale, the distance between two frequencies ω_1 and ω_2 depends on the difference of the logarithms and hence on the ratio on the frequencies

$$\log(\omega_2) - \log(\omega_1) = \log\left(\frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}\right)$$

A decade is defined as the distance between two frequencies whose ratio is 10.





 \checkmark The y-axis of the magnitude and phase Bode diagrams indicate respectively

* the magnitude of the transfer function in dB (decibel)

 $|W(j\omega)|_{db} = 20 \log_{10} |W(j\omega)|$

 \Rightarrow the phase of the transfer function in degrees or radians

 $\angle W(j\omega)$



Magnitude and phase diagrams





Low-pass filter

Magnitude [dB]





High-pass filter

Magnitude [dB]





Band-pass filter



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This result can be easily generalized to a generic trinomial term



Response to sinusoidal inputs of a second order LTI system

Let assume a second order LTI system described by the following t.f.:

