

Object Oriented CRONE Toolbox for system identification and control

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Fractional derivatives and integrals

- Grünwald-Letnikov fractional derivatives

- $$\mathbf{D}^\nu x(t) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h^\nu} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \binom{k}{\nu} x(t - kh).$$
- $$\nu = 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(t - kh) - x(t)}{h}.$$

- Fractional differential equations

- $$y(t) + a_1 \mathbf{D}^{\alpha_1} y(t) + \dots + a_N \mathbf{D}^{\alpha_N} y(t) = b_0 \mathbf{D}^{\beta_0} u(t) + \dots + b_M \mathbf{D}^{\beta_M} u(t),$$

- Laplace transform

- $$\mathcal{L} \{ \mathbf{D}^\nu x(t) \} = s^\nu X(s).$$

- History of the CRONE Toolbox

- Development started in the late 1990's as a standard non-OO toolbox,
- Development of the OO-CRONE toolbox starting from 2004,
- Free downloads from 2011.

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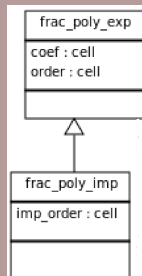
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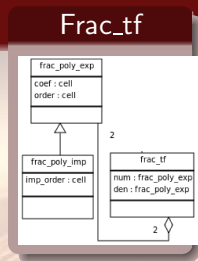
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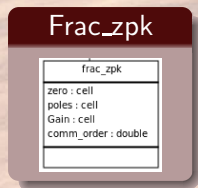
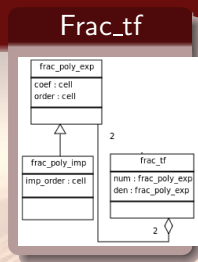
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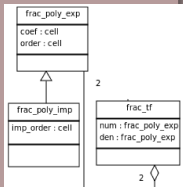
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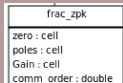
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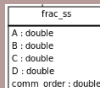
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Based on the approximation of a fractional model by a rational continuous-time one in a given frequency band.

- Let $s^\gamma = s_{[\omega_A, \omega_B]}^\gamma \quad \forall \omega \in [\omega_A, \omega_B]$ with $0 < \gamma < 1$
- Oustaloup's approximation: $s_{[\omega_A, \omega_B]}^\gamma \approx \mathcal{A}_{\text{Oust}}^{(\gamma)} = C_{(\gamma)} \left(\frac{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_h}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_b}} \right)^\gamma$
 - $\omega_b = \sigma^{-1} \omega_A$ and $\omega_h = \sigma \omega_B$ (σ is usually set to 10)
 - $C_{(\gamma)}$ is chosen to get a unit gain at $\omega = 1 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$:
 - $C_{(\gamma)} = \left| \frac{1 + j \frac{1}{\omega_h}}{1 + j \frac{1}{\omega_b}} \right|^{-\gamma} = \left(\frac{\omega_h}{\omega_b} \right)^\gamma \left(\frac{1 + \omega_b^2}{1 + \omega_h^2} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{2}}$
- Trigeassou's variant: $s_{[\omega_A, \omega_B]}^\gamma \approx \mathcal{A}_{\text{Trig}}^{(\gamma)} = C_{(\gamma-1)} s \left(\frac{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_h}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_b}} \right)^{\gamma-1}$

Oustaloup's approximation

ω_A, ω_B, N

Trigeassou's variant

ω_A, ω_B, N

Methods based on continuous-time models

- Oustaloup and Trigeassou approximate the irrational part by a recursive distribution of poles and zeros:

$$\bullet \left(\frac{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_b}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_h}} \right)^\gamma \approx \prod_{k=1}^N \left(\frac{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_k}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega'_k}} \right)$$

$$\bullet \frac{\omega_{k+1}}{\omega_k} = \frac{\omega'_{k+1}}{\omega'_k} = \alpha\eta, \quad \frac{\omega_k}{\omega'_k} = \alpha, \quad \frac{\omega'_{k+1}}{\omega_k} = \eta, \quad \gamma = \frac{\log(\alpha)}{\log(\alpha) + \log(\eta)}$$

$$\bullet \alpha = \left(\frac{\omega_h}{\omega_b} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{N}} \quad \text{and} \quad \eta = \left(\frac{\omega_h}{\omega_b} \right)^{\frac{1-\gamma}{N}}$$

- Rational TF, equivalent a fractional TF:

$$H(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^M b_i s^{\beta_i}}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^N a_j s^{\alpha_j}} \approx \mathcal{H}(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^M b_i s^{\lfloor \beta_i \rfloor} \mathcal{A}(\beta_i - \lfloor \beta_i \rfloor)}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^N a_j s^{\lfloor \alpha_j \rfloor} \mathcal{A}(\alpha_j - \lfloor \alpha_j \rfloor)},$$

where $\mathcal{A}(\gamma)$ is either of Oustaloup's or Trigeassou's approximation of the fractional operators s^γ , with $0 < \gamma < 1$.

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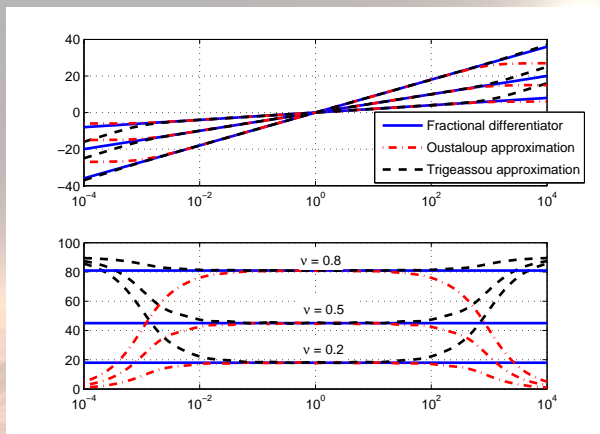


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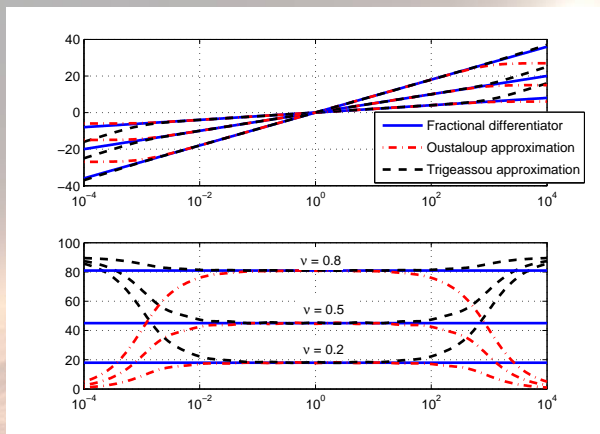


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Oustaloup's and
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approximations

$$\omega_A, \omega_B, N$$

frac_lti class

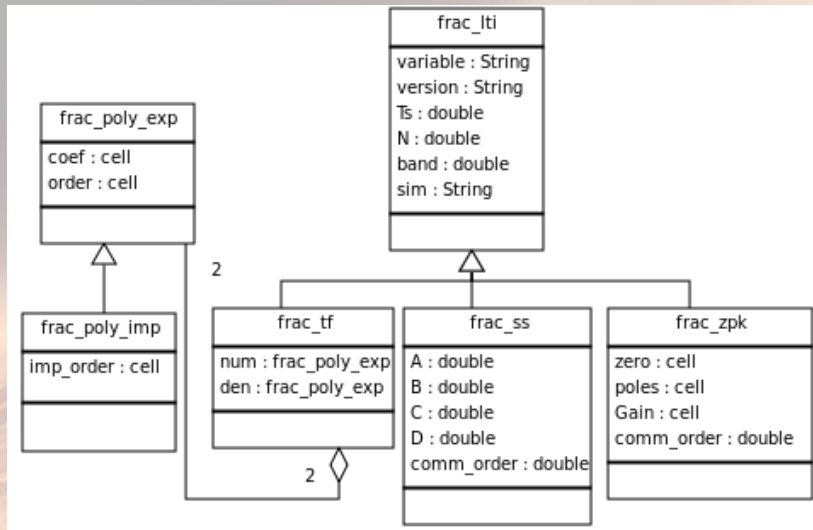
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variable : String
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N : double
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sim : String
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Class diagram of the OO-CRONE toolbox – Attributes



Methods associated to the OO-CRONE toolbox

- General purpose methods
 - `get`, `set` used to access data (data encapsulation),
 - `isnan`, `isempty`, `size`, `length`, `iscomplex` for general purpose op,
 - `horzcat`, `vertcat`, `subsref`, `subsasgn` for MIMO system handling,
- Methods associated to operator overloading
 - The main operators (`+`, `-`, `×`, `.*`, `/`, `\`, `'`, `=`, `==`, ...) are overloaded by rewriting `plus`, `minus`, `uminus`, `mtimes`, `times`, `ldivide`, `rdivide`, `transpose`, `eq`, `ne`, `display` scripts,
- Methods associated automatic control (many methods developed for fractional TF, some methods implemented for MIMO TF)
 - Frequency-domain simulation `bode`, `nichols`, `nyquist`,
 - Time-domain simulation `lsim` (with various options),
 - System identification `oe`, `lssvf`, `ivsvf`, `srivcf`, `oosrivcf`,
 - Stability `isstable`.

A focus on `isstable` method in the `frac_tf`-class

Based on Matignon's stability theorem :

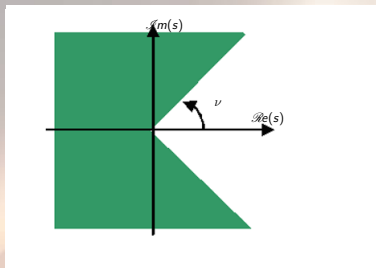


Figure : Matignon's stability theorem

Hence,

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{s + s^{0.5} + 1}$$

must have all its $s^{0.5}$ -poles in the sector defined by:

$$|\arg(s^{0.5})| > \pi/4$$

An open problem

However, due to floating point arithmetics, the following TF might be coded in computers instead of $F(s)$:

$$F_\epsilon(s) = \frac{1}{s + s^{0.5+\epsilon} + 1}$$

$F_\epsilon(s)$ is comm. of ordre ϵ . Hence all the roots of the (with $p = s^\epsilon$):

$$p^{\frac{1}{\epsilon}} + p^{\frac{0.5}{\epsilon}+1} + 1$$

needs to be evaluated, **which is impossible if ϵ is the machine- ϵ .**

Problem formulation

- If $F(s) = \frac{1}{s+s^{0.5}+1}$ is stable with a certain **margin**, is it possible to conclude on the stability of $F_\epsilon(s) = \frac{1}{s+s^{0.5+\epsilon}+1}$?
- How to find that **margin**?

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System Identification 1/2

- The toolbox supports transfer function models of the following forms:

$$y(t_k) = \frac{B(\mathcal{D})}{A(\mathcal{D})}u(t_k) + \frac{1}{F(\mathcal{D})}e(t_k), \quad (1)$$

- In the output error context, the following criterion is minimized

$$J = \sum_{k=1}^{k=K} (y(t_k) - y_m(t_k))^2 \quad (2)$$

$$H(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^M b_i s^{\beta_i}}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^N a_j s^{\alpha_j}}$$

$$H(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^m \tilde{b}_i s^{i\nu}}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{a}_j s^{j\nu}}$$

$$\nu \in (0, 2)$$

System Identification 2/2

Sys. Id.	OE	ARX
oe	✓	
lssvf		✓
ivsvf		✓
srivcf	✓	
oosrivcf	✓	

Table : Methods for system identification using fractional models

Sys. Id. methods	Coefficients estimation	Commensurate order estimation	All order estimation
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lssvf	✓		
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Table : Coefficient and/or order estimation.

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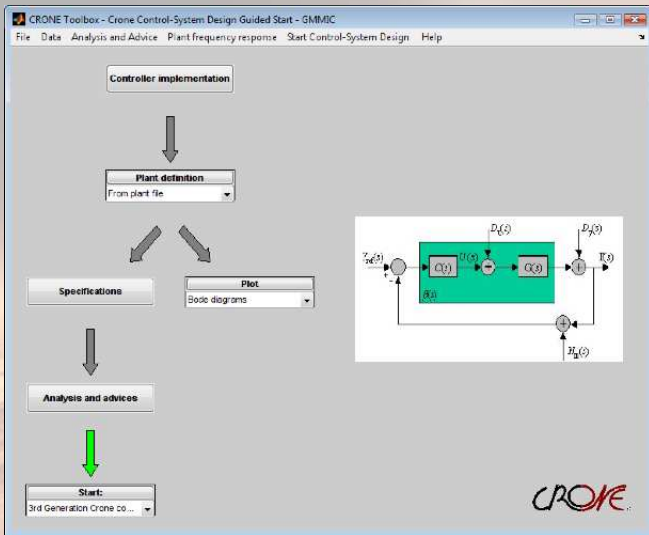


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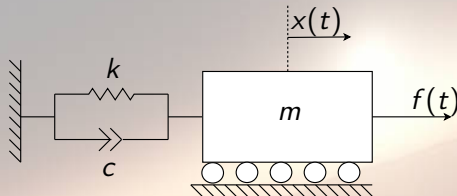


Figure : Mechanical system including a fractor $\nu \in [0, 1]$.

Constitutive equation in time domain ($x(t) = 0, f(t) = 0 \forall t < 0$):

$$mD^2x(t) + cD^\nu x(t) + kx(t) = f(t)$$

In the Laplace domain (with $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}, \zeta = \frac{c k^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1}}{2m^{\frac{\nu}{2}}}$):

$$\frac{X(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{1}{ms^2 + cs^\nu + k} = \frac{1/k}{\left(\frac{s}{\omega_0}\right)^2 + 2\zeta\left(\frac{s}{\omega_0}\right)^\nu + 1}$$

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$m = 25\text{Kg}$, $k = 50\text{N/m}$, $\nu = 0.5$, $c = 110\text{Kg/s}^\nu$.

```

1 m = 25; k = 50; c = 110; nu = 0.5; %Kg, N/m, kg/s^\nu
2 zeta = c * k^(nu/2 - 1)/(2*m^(nu/2)); w0 = sqrt(k/m)
3 M = frac_tf(1/k, ...
4     frac_poly_exp([1/w0^2 2*zeta/w0^nu 1], ...
5     [2, nu, 0]), 10, [1e-3 1e2])
6 M_Oust = frac2int(M);
7 set(M, 'sim', 'Trig'); M_Trig = frac2int(M);
8
9 [G, Ph, w] = bode(M, [1e-3 1e2]);
10 [GO, PhO, w] = bode(M_Oust, w);
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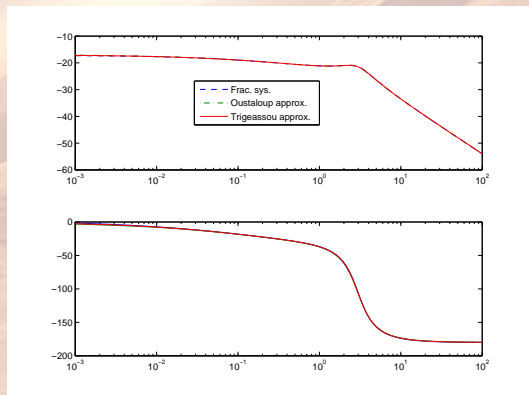
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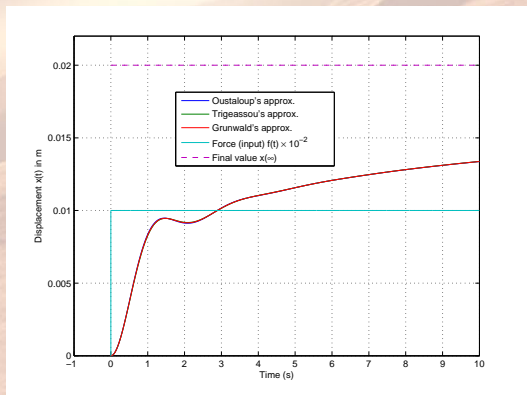
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1 Ts = 0.001; u = [zeros(0, 1) ; ones(10000, 1)];
2 t = ((0:length(u)-1)*Ts)';
3 set(M, 'sim', 'Oust'); yO = lsim(M, u, t);
4 set(M, 'sim', 'Trig'); yT = lsim(M, u, t);
5 set(M, 'sim', 'grun'); yG = lsim(M, u, t);
6 figure, plot(t, yO, t, yT, t, yG, [0; t], ...
7     [0; u]*1e-2, [0, 10], [1/k 1/k], '--')
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Example 2 – Thermal diffusion



Figure : Thermal aluminium rod heated at one end.

Assumptions

- 1 The rod is perfectly isolated,
- 2 the rod is considered as a semi-infinite homogeneous plane medium with conductivity λ and diffusivity α ,
- 3 at rest, the rod is at ambient temperature,
- 4 losses on the surface where the thermal flux is applied are neglected.

Example 2 – Thermal diffusion – Physical modeling

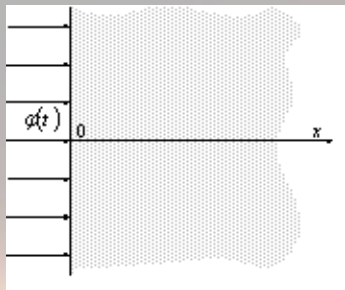


Figure : Semi-infinite planar medium

[Battaglia et al, 2001]

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial T(x,t)}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T(x,t)}{\partial x^2}, & 0 < x < \infty, t > 0 \\ -\lambda \frac{\partial T(x,t)}{\partial x} = \varphi(t), & x = 0, t > 0 \\ T(x,t) = 0, & 0 \leq x < \infty, t = 0 \end{cases}$$

- Evaluating the Laplace transform:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \bar{T}(x,s)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{s}{\alpha} \bar{T}(x,s) = 0,$$

$$\text{where } \bar{T}(x,s) = \mathcal{L}\{T(x,t)\}.$$

- Solving with respect to x yields:

$$\bar{T}(x,s) = K_1(s) e^{-x\sqrt{\frac{s}{\alpha}}} + K_2(s) e^{x\sqrt{\frac{s}{\alpha}}}.$$

- Taking into account limit conditions, the following transfer function is obtained:

$$H(x,s) = \frac{\bar{T}(x,s)}{\bar{\varphi}(s)} = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{\lambda\sqrt{s}} e^{-x\sqrt{\frac{s}{\alpha}}}.$$

Example 2 – Thermal diffusion – Physical modeling

P^{th} -order Padé approximation of $H(x, s)$, at $x = x^*$:

$$H(x^*, s) \approx H_P(s) = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{\lambda\sqrt{s}} \frac{\sum_{k=0}^P \frac{(2P-k)!}{k!(P-k)!} (-x^* \sqrt{\frac{s}{\alpha}})^k}{\sum_{k=0}^P \frac{(2P-k)!}{k!(P-k)!} (x^* \sqrt{\frac{s}{\alpha}})^k}$$

The integrator $H_0(s)$ and a first order Padé approximation $H_1(s)$:

$$H_0(s) = \frac{4.21 \times 10^{-5}}{s^{0.5}},$$

$$H_1(s) = \frac{10^{-5}}{s^{0.5}} \left(\frac{-2.11s^{0.5} + 8.43}{0.50s^{0.5} + 2.00} \right).$$

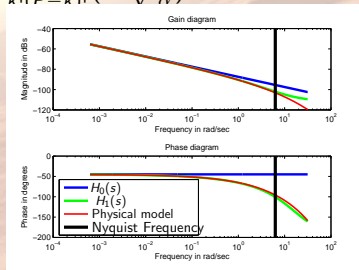


Figure : Physical model $H(x, s)$ and its Padé approximations $H_0(s)$ and $H_1(s)$

Example 2 – System Identification from experimental data

- The aluminium rod is driven to a steady state by injecting a constant heat flux.
- a prbs signal is generated around the constant flux.

```
1 load('ThermalRodData.mat')
2 data = iddata(y,u,Ts);
3 sys_init = frac_tf(1, frac_poly_exp([1 1 1], ...
4     [1.2 0.6 0]), 24, [1e-5 5e1]);
5 sys_oe_coef = oe(sys_init, data,[], 'coef');
6 sys_oe_comm = oe(sys_oe_coef, data,[], 'comm');
7 sys_oe_all = oe(sys_oe_comm, data,[], 'all');
8 figure, subplot(211), plot(t,y,'b',...
9     t,lsim(sys_oe_coef,u,t),'r--',...
10    t,lsim(sys_oe_comm,u,t),'g-.',...
11    t,lsim(sys_oe_all,u,t),'m')
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Figure : Matlab script showing the use of oe routine (system identification) of the CRONE toolbox

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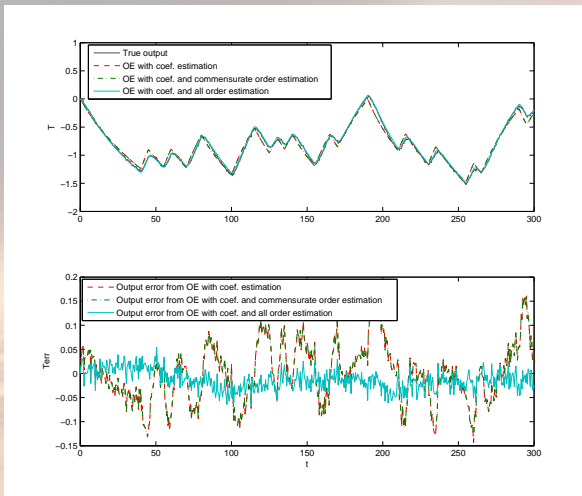


Figure : Comparison among the three outputs of the oe routine. Similar results are obtained with oosrivcf routine

Example 3 – MIMO systems

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1 % Frequency plot  -- bode --
2 set(sys, 'sim', 'Oust'); ApproxOust=frac2int(sys);
3 set(sys, 'sim', 'Trig'); ApproxTrig=frac2int(sys);
4
5 [G, ph, w] = bode(sys, [1e-2 1e1]);
6 [GOust, phOust] = bode(ApproxOust, w);
7 [GTrig, phTrig] = bode(ApproxTrig, w);
8 figure(2), subplot(211)
9 semilogx(w, 10*log10(squeeze(GOust)), '--', ...
10          w, 10*log10(squeeze(GTrig)), '-.', ...
11          w, 10*log10(squeeze(G))), grid,
12 subplot(212), semilogx(w, squeeze(phOust), w, ...
13          squeeze(phTrig), w, squeeze(ph)), grid,

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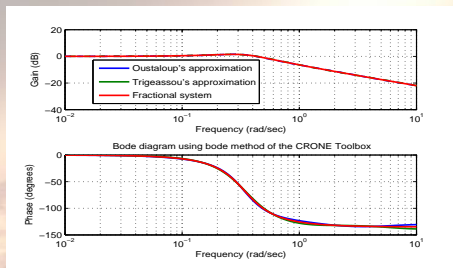


Figure : Approximations using Oustaloup's and Trigeassou's methods in the frequency band $[10^{-1}10^1]$ with $N = 4$

Overloading operators and MIMO time-response

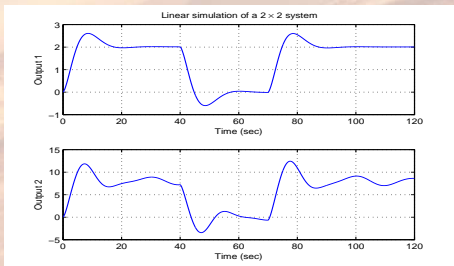
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1 % Example of operator overloading
2 sys2=(-sys^3+5*sys)
3
4  Frac_tf transfer function :
5      ( 625 s^4.5 + 375 s^3 + 70 s^1.5 + 4 )
6  -----
7  ( 625 s^6 + 500 s^4.5 + 150 s^3 + 20 s^1.5 + 1 )
8
9 % MIMO example
10 sysMIMO = [sys, sys ; sys2, sys2]
11 figure(3), lsim(sysMIMO, [u ; u], t);
12
13 Frac tf from input 1 to output:
14 #1 :  Frac_tf transfer function :
15      ( 1 )
16  -----
17  ( 5 s^1.5 + 1 )
18 #2 :  Frac_tf transfer function :
```

Example 3

$$\text{sys} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{5s^{1.5}+1} & \frac{1}{5s^{1.5}+1} \\ -\left(\frac{1}{5s^{1.5}+1}\right)^3 + 5 \times \frac{1}{5s^{1.5}+1} & -\left(\frac{1}{5s^{1.5}+1}\right)^3 + 5 \times \frac{1}{5s^{1.5}+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Time-domain simulation of a fractional MIMO system



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