

ELEC 3004 – Systems: Signals & Controls

Matlab - Random Tidbits!

Things to help you with the first assignment!

How to construct a step function function:

```
s = -1; f = 2; n = 0.05; % where s is the start_time, f is the finish_time and  
n is the time interval step size
```

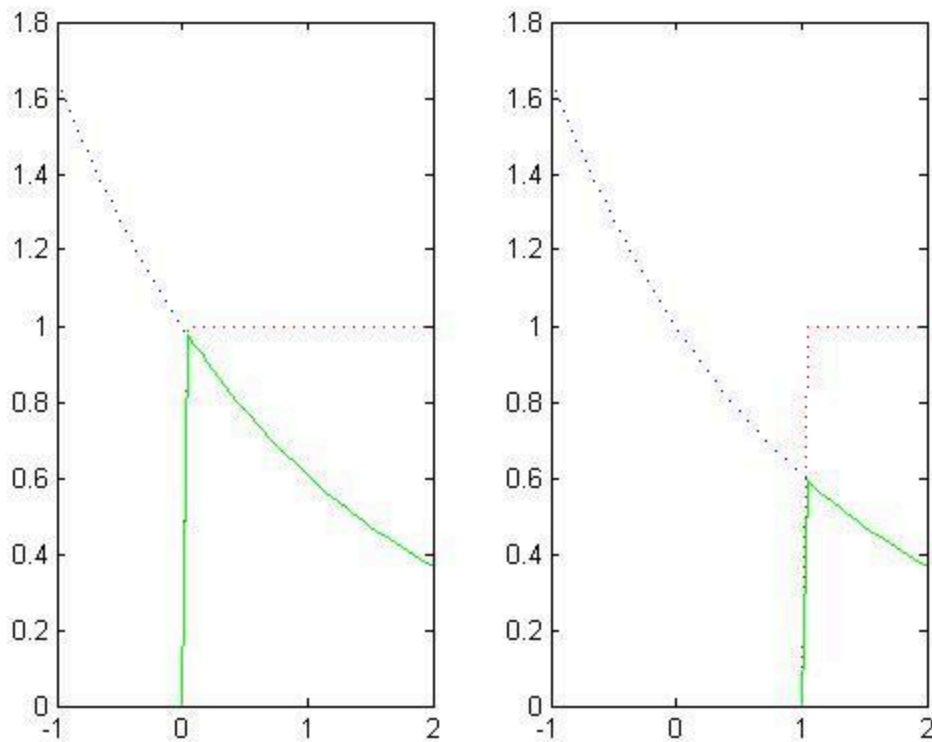
```
t = s:n:f;          % set up the vector of time values  
g = exp(-t/2);
```

```
len = (0-s)/n + f/n; % find the length from the start and finish values  
u = ones(1, len + 1); % make a long enough vector for u(t) filled with ones  
u(1:abs(s)/n + 1) = 0; % make the part before t = 0, equal to 0
```

```
subplot(1,2,1)  
plot(t, g);  
hold on  
plot(t, u, 'r-');  
plot(t, u.*g, 'g:'); % don't forget to use the 'dot' operator when multiplying  
vectors together!
```

```
% This part is to implement a time-shifted step function, i.e. u(t - T)  
subplot(1,2,2)  
numSec = 1;  
shift = numSec*1/n; % the number of seconds you want to shift by multiplied by  
the number of elements in 1 second (based on the stepsize 'n')  
u2 = ones(1, (f-s)/n+1);  
u2(1: abs(s)/n + 1 + shift) = 0;  
% put -shift, if the shift is negative, i.e. u(t + T)  
  
plot(t,u2, 'r-');  
hold on  
plot(t, g);  
plot(t,u2.*g, 'g:');
```

The output appears below! Note that the green line is the unit step multiplied by the exponential function. You can also look at the Matlab command `heaviside()` and `dirac()`.



How to model sampling of a continuous signal, particularly sampling close to or less than the Nyquist rate:

% Once you know the frequency of the signal, just modify the step_size, 'n' % to reflect the sampling rate you want.

freq = 1;

tfine = 0:1e-2:2*pi; % step size of 0.01 or 100 Hz (1/100)

sfine = sin(2*pi*freq*tfine); % sine wave with 1Hz frequency

% Plot with 1.5Hz sampling with 1/20s delay

tshift = 1/20; % to introduce delay in the sampling, pick the time delay you want (tshift)

tcourse = (0:1/1.5:2*pi) + tshift; % then add it to the time vector

scourse = sin(2*pi*freq*tcourse);

subplot(2,2,1)

plot(tfine, sfine, 'k:', tcourse, scourse, 'bo-')

% Plot with 2Hz sampling

tcourse = 0:1/2:2*pi; % for 1Hz wave, use n = 0.5 or 1/2

scourse = sin(2*pi*freq*tcourse);

subplot(2,2,2)

```
plot(tfine, sfine, 'k:', tcourse, scourse, 'bo-')
% once, you've seen what this plot looks like, for something cool, try adding %
in a 1/4 s time delay to see what happens
```

```
% Plot with 4Hz sampling
tcourse = 0:1/4:2*pi; % change to 1/4 here
scourse = sin(2*pi*freq*tcourse);
subplot(2,2,3)
plot(tfine, sfine, 'k:', tcourse, scourse, 'bo-')
```

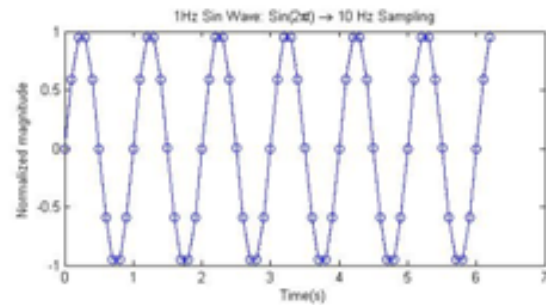
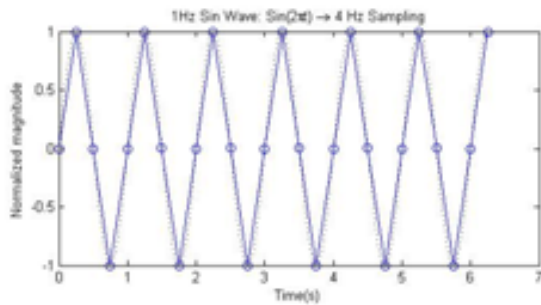
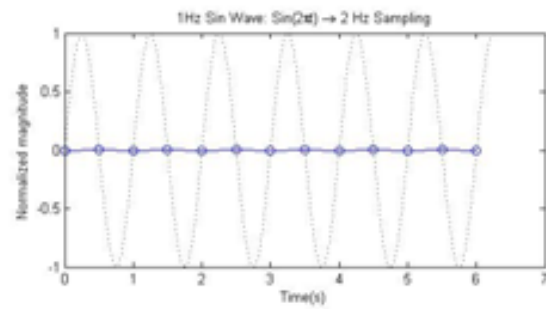
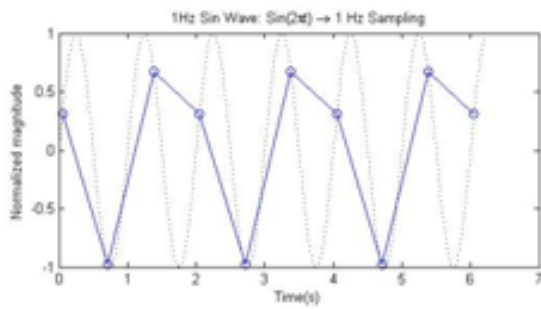
```
% Plot with 10Hz sampling
tcourse = 0:1/10:2*pi; % change to 1/10 here
scourse = sin(2*pi*freq*tcourse);
subplot(2,2,4)
plot(tfine, sfine, 'k:', tcourse, scourse, 'bo-')
```

The output should look like the Figure below.

So far, all of the sampling rates were uniformly spaced. If you want to mimic asynchronous sampling, try the following:

```
% For logspace sampling!
tmpcourse = 0:0.125:pi/2;
tcourse = logspace(-1.5,pi,100);
tcourse = [tcourse, tcourse + pi];

% For random sample perturbation!
tshift = (pi/60);
randscale = 0.5;
tcourse = (0:0.5:(2*pi-0.5*randscale));
tcourse = tcourse+randscale*rand(size(tcourse));
```



To get the title and axis labels, use the following format. Putting this text block after every subplot command, gives that specific subplot the labels you've written.

```
title('Name of function here'); % \rightarrow gives the right arrow symbol
xlabel('Time(s)'); % label for the x axis
ylabel('Normalized magnitude'); % label for the y axis
```

How to plot the root locus of a system from its transfer function:

```
% The system is from Assignment 0: (2s + 4)/(s^2 + 4s + 3)
num = [2 4];
den = [1 4 3];
sys2 = tf(num, den); % remember this Matlab tute 0 - make a transfer function!
residue(num, den) % returns the numerator values of the fraction expansion
roots(den) % returns the roots of the polynomial in the denominator
rlocusplot(sys2);
```

