

ET 438a
Using Matlab to Generate Bode and Step Responses

- 1.) Start any of the computers in the computer and find the student version of Matlab under the program menu.
- 2.) Start Matlab. After Matlab loads, click on the file menu and select New m-File. This will start a text editor for making Matlab script files.
- 3.) Enter the following lines of code and save the file.

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clear all;
close all;
n=input('enter the numerator coefficients: ');
d=input('enter the denominator coefficients: ');
sys=tf(n,d);
sys
bode(sys);
grid on;
G=1./n;
sys=sys*G
sys
figure;
step(sys);
```

- 4.) From the Matlab prompt, `>>`, type the filename that you give to this script file. This will run the script file.
- 5.) Follow the program prompts. Enter the numerator coefficients in decreasing powers of s (e.g. s^2 , s^1 , s^0).
- 6.) Enter the denominator coefficients in decreasing powers of s .
- 7.) The program will automatically produce the Bode and step responses of the defined transfer function.
- 8.) Cut and paste the graphs into Word for printing or print the results directly from Matlab.