

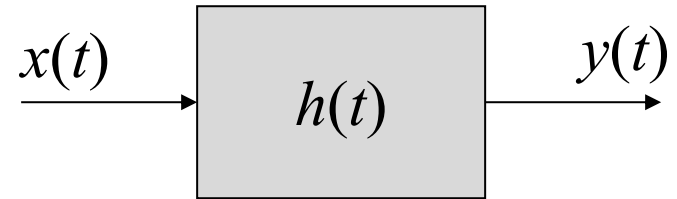
# ELEC-A7200

## — Signals and Systems

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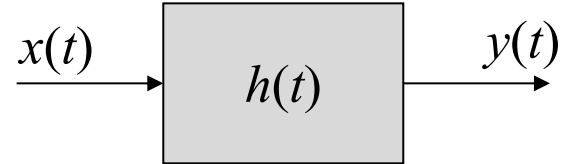
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## Lecture 9 Linear Time Invariant Systems – Part II

# Continuous LTI systems

Are described in time domain by a linear differential equation with constant parameters

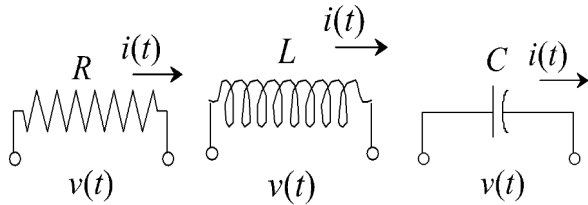


$$\frac{d^n}{dt^n} y(t) = -a_1 \frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} y(t) - \dots - a_n y(t) + b_0 \frac{d^m}{dt^m} x(t) + b_1 \frac{d^{m-1}}{dt^{m-1}} x(t) + \dots + b_m x(t)$$

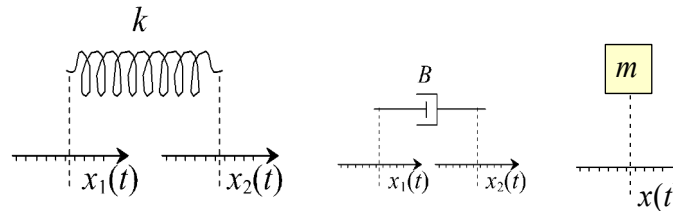
$n$  order of the system

Proper system  $m \leq n$

Strictly proper system  $m < n$



$$v(t) = Ri(t) \quad v(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt} \quad i(t) = C \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$$

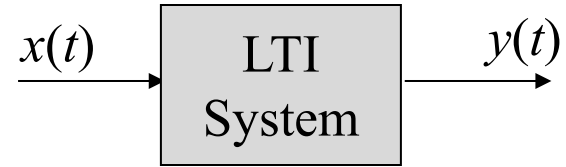


$$F_k(t) = k(x_1(t) - x_2(t)) = k\Delta x(t)$$

$$F_b(t) = B \frac{d\Delta x(t)}{dt}$$

$$F_m(t) = m \frac{d^2 x(t)}{dt^2}$$

# Frequency response



A generic  $n^{\text{th}}$  order LTI system is described by differential equation

$$\frac{d^n y(t)}{dt^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y(t)}{dt^{n-1}} + \dots + a_0 = b_m \frac{d^m x(t)}{dt^m} + b_{m-1} \frac{d^{m-1} x(t)}{dt^{m-1}} + \dots + b_0 x(t)$$

Let us use input  $x(t) = e^{j2\pi f t}$  and guess that the response is of the form  $y(t) = H(f) e^{j2\pi f t}$ . It follows that

$$(j2\pi f)^n H(f) e^{j2\pi f t} + a_{n-1} (j2\pi f)^{n-1} H(f) e^{j2\pi f t} + \dots + a_0 H(f) e^{j2\pi f t} = b_m (j2\pi f)^m e^{j2\pi f t} + b_{m-1} (j2\pi f)^{m-1} e^{j2\pi f t} + \dots + b_0 e^{j2\pi f t}$$

Solving for  $H(f)$  gives the frequency response function

$$H(f) = \frac{b_m (j2\pi f)^m + b_{m-1} (j2\pi f)^{m-1} + \dots + b_0}{(j2\pi f)^n + a_{n-1} (j2\pi f)^{n-1} + \dots + a_0}$$

# Frequency response

Input  $x(t) = e^{j2\pi ft}$  yields output  $y(t) = H(f)e^{j2\pi ft}$

Input  $x(t) = e^{-j2\pi ft}$  yields output  $y(t) = H^*(f)e^{-j2\pi ft}$

Input  $x(t) = \cos(2\pi ft)$  yields output

$$y(t) = H(f)\frac{1}{2}e^{j2\pi ft} + H^*(f)\frac{1}{2}e^{-j2\pi ft} = |H(f)| \cos(2\pi ft + \arg[H(f)])$$

$$H(f) = |H(f)| e^{-j\arg[H(f)]}$$

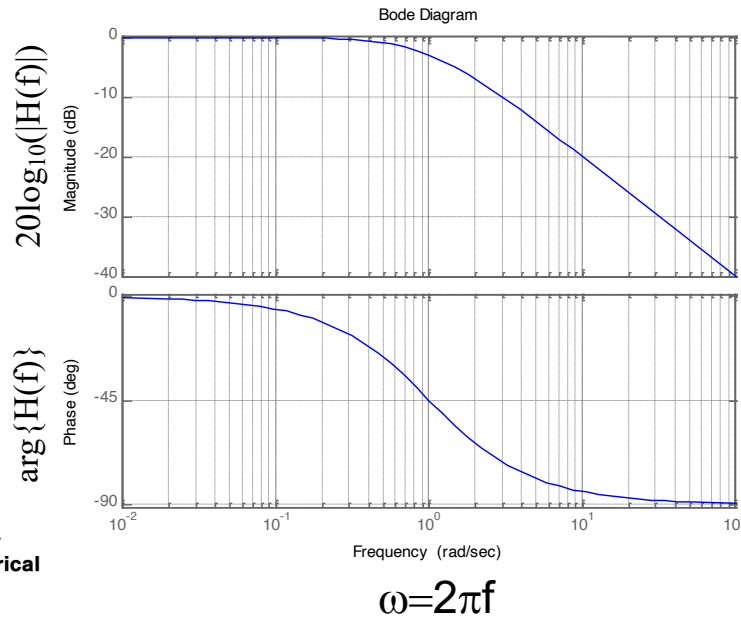
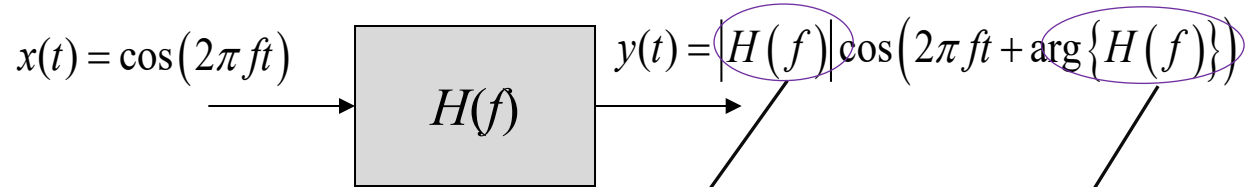
$$\cos(2\pi ft) = \frac{1}{2}e^{j2\pi ft} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j2\pi ft}$$

↑  
Amplitude

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Phase

LTI system have an impact on the signal amplitude and phase, but it does not change the frequency.

# Frequency response/ Bode plot



Power attenuation


Phase shift

# Frequency response function vs transfer function

- Frequency response function
- Transfer function

$$H(f) = \frac{b_m(j2\pi f)^m + b_{m-1}(j2\pi f)^{m-1} + \dots + b_0}{(j2\pi f)^n + a_{n-1}(j2\pi f)^{n-1} + \dots + a_0}$$

$$\hat{H}(s) = \frac{\hat{Y}(s)}{\hat{X}(s)} = \frac{b_m s^m + b_{m-1} s^{m-1} + \dots + b_0}{s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \dots + a_0}$$


$$s = j2\pi f$$

# Discrete time LTI systems

Discrete time systems are described by difference equations

$$y[n] + a_1y[n - 1] + \dots + a_Ny[n - N] = b_0x[n] + b_1x[n - 1] + \dots + b_Mx[n - M]$$

Continuous time system

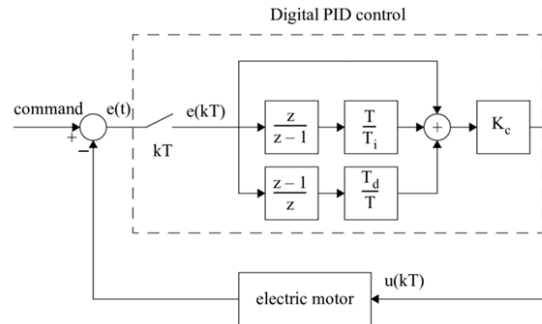
$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = -ay(t) + b x(t)$$

Discretized (sampled) system

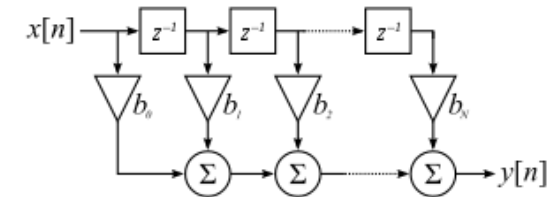
$$y[n] = y(nT_s), x[n] = x(nT_s)$$

$$y[n + 1] = e^{aT_s}y[n] + \frac{e^{aT_s}-1}{a} b x[n]$$

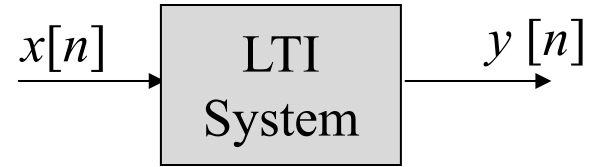
Digital control systems



Digital filters



# Frequency response



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Solving for  $H(f)$  gives the frequency response function

$$H(f) = \frac{b_0 + b_1e^{-j2\pi fT} + \dots + b_Me^{-j2\pi fMT}}{1 + a_1e^{-j2\pi fT} + \dots + a_Ne^{-j2\pi fNT}}$$



# Frequency response

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Input  $x[n] = e^{-j2\pi fnT}$  yields output  $y[n] = H^*(f)e^{-j2\pi fnT}$

Input  $x[n] = \cos(2\pi fnT)$ ,  $n = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots$  yields output

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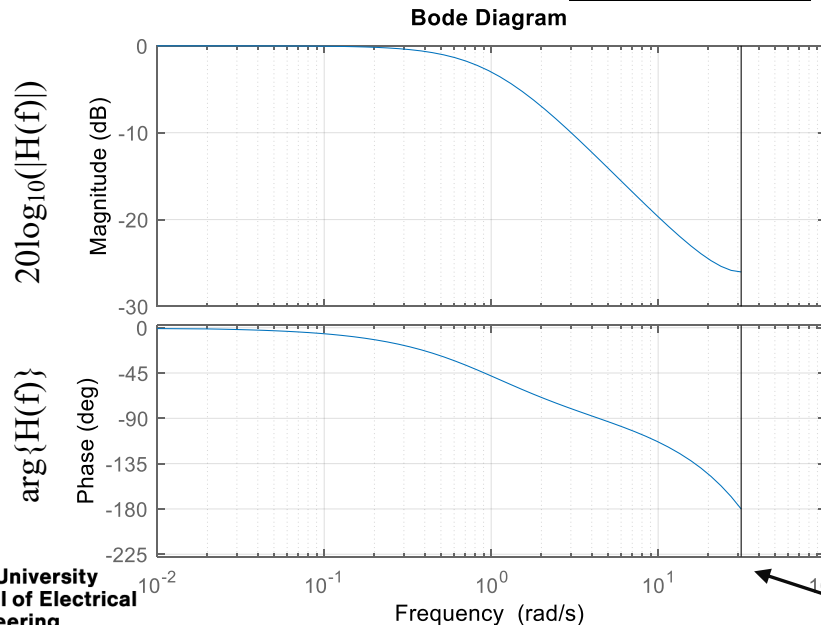
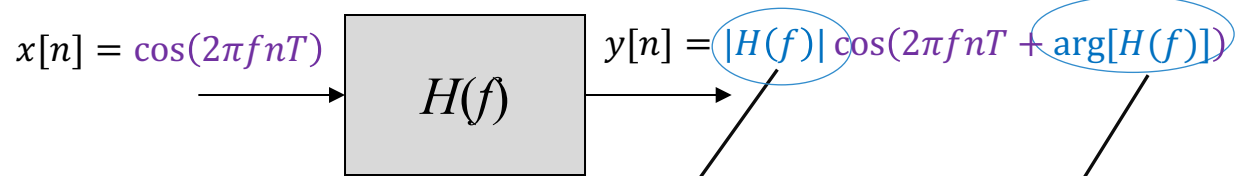
$$\cos(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{jx} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-jx}$$

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Phase shift


Nyquist frequency

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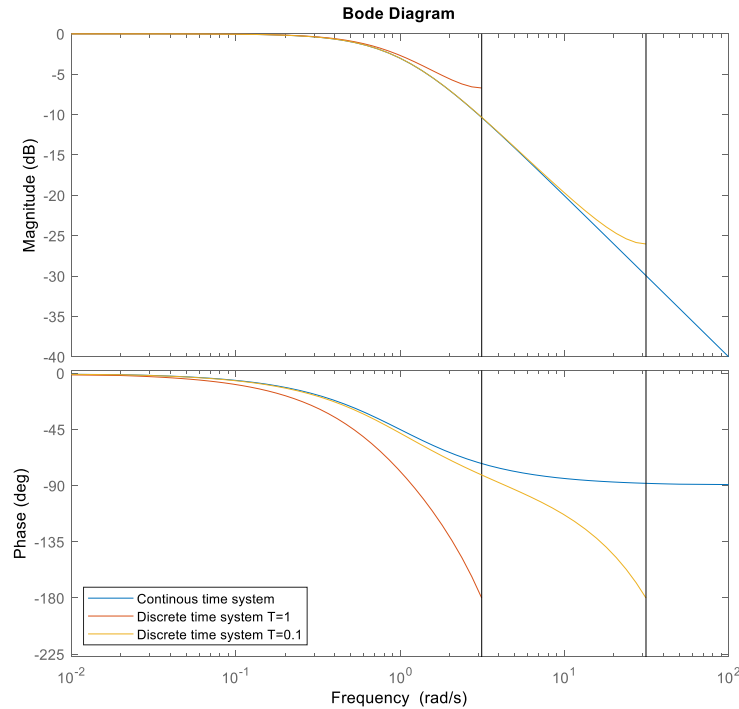
$$\hat{H}(z) = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_M z^{-M}}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_N z^{-M}}$$


$$z = e^{j2\pi fT}$$

Discrete Time Fourier Transform

z-transform

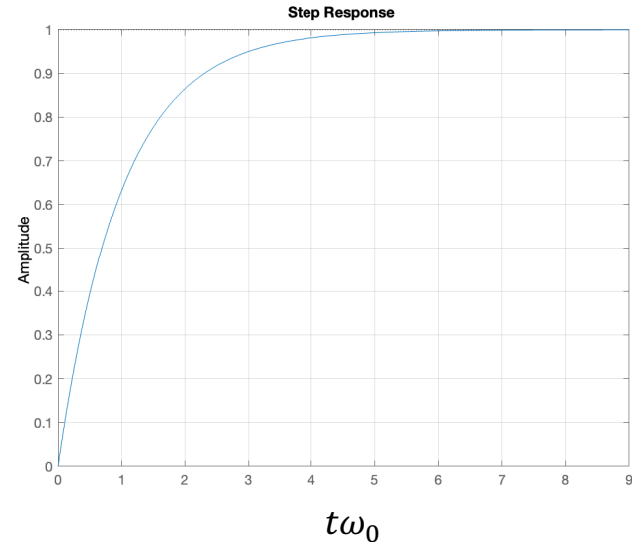
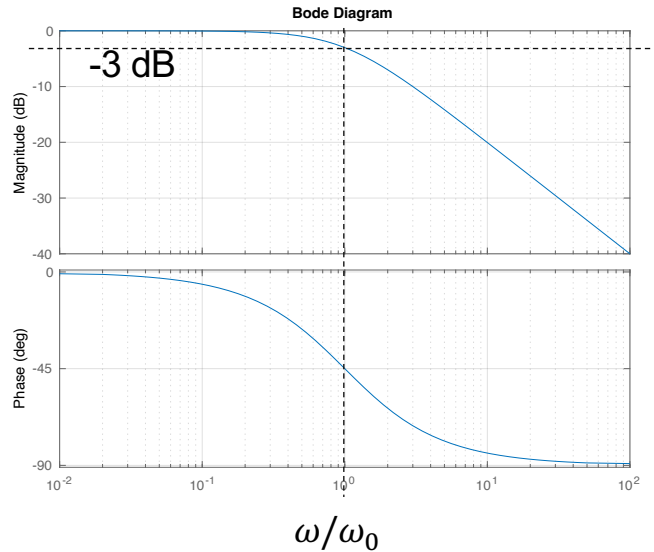
# Continuous vs discrete time system



# Time and frequency response

## First order system

$$H(s) = \frac{\omega_0}{s + \omega_0}$$



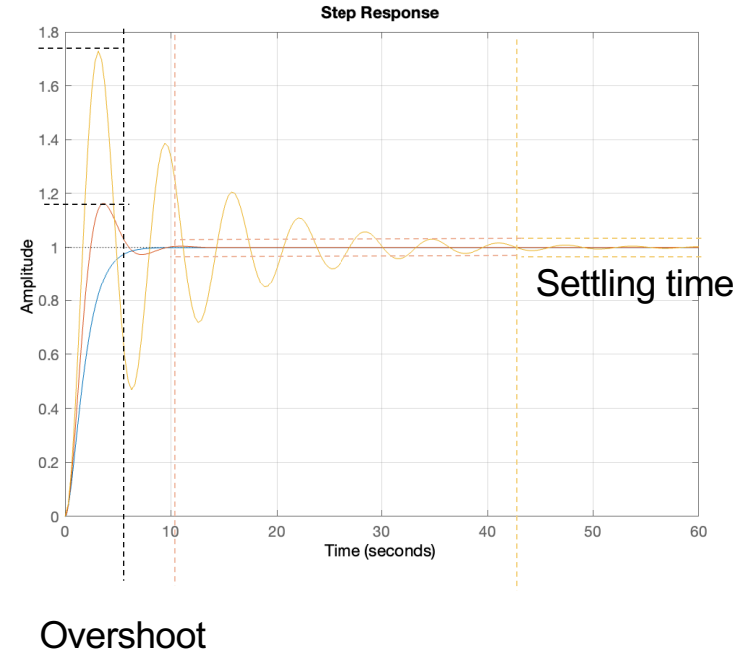
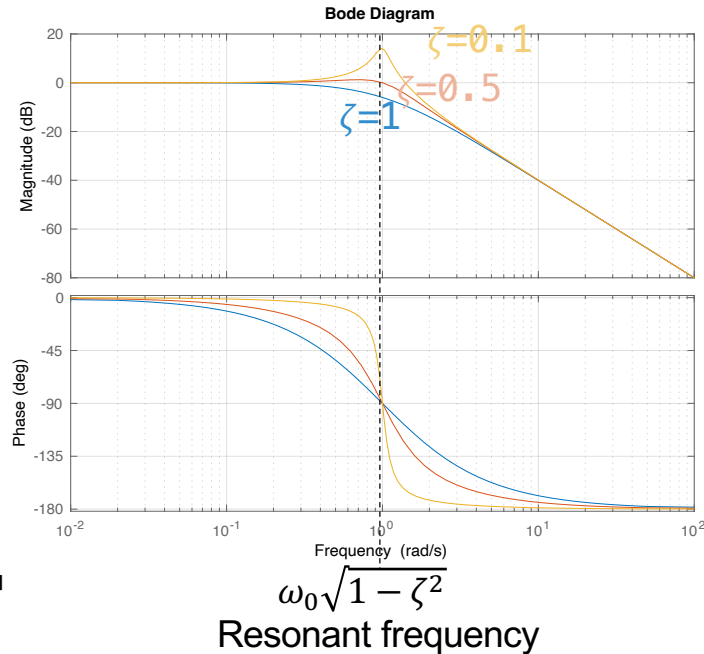
$\omega_0$  large  $\Rightarrow$  wide bandwidth  $\Rightarrow$  fast response

$\omega_0$  small  $\Rightarrow$  narrow bandwidth  $\Rightarrow$  slow response

# Time and frequency response

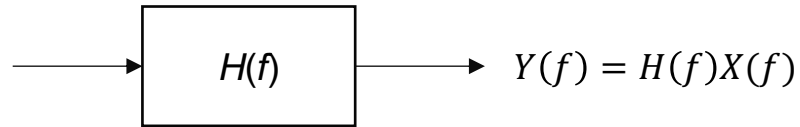
## 2nd order system

$$H(s) = \frac{\omega_0^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_0 s + \omega_0^2}$$

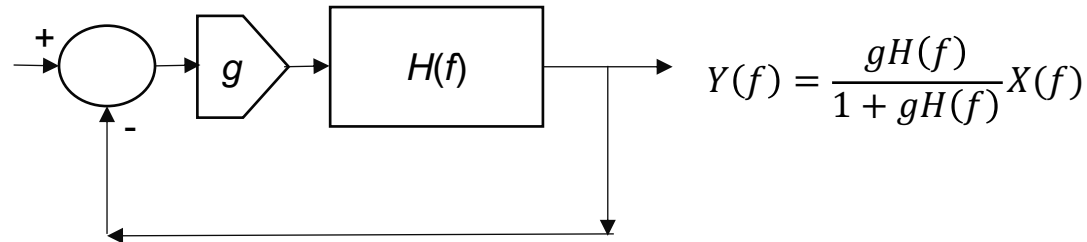


# Frequency domain stability analysis

Stable open loop system

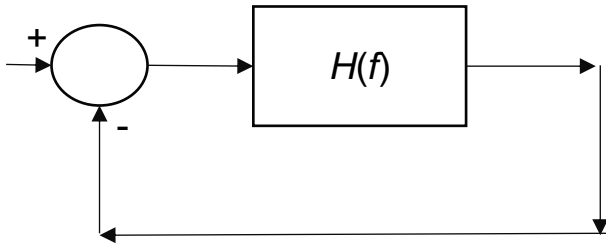


Is the closed loop negative feedback system stable?



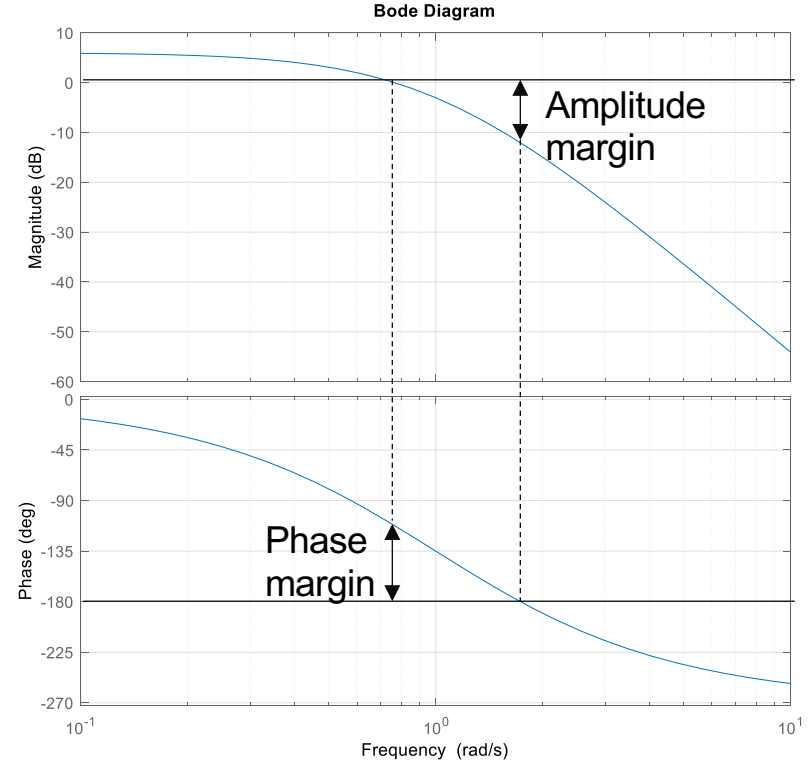
# Frequency domain stability analysis

## Closed loop system



## Stable if

- $|H(f)| < 1$  when  $\arg\{H(f)\} = 180^\circ$
- $\arg\{H(f)\} < 180^\circ$  when  $|H(f)| > 1$

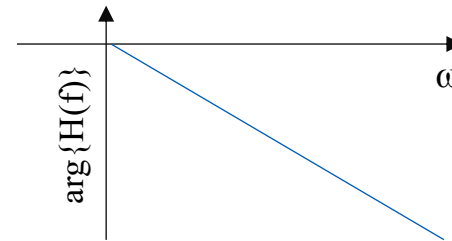
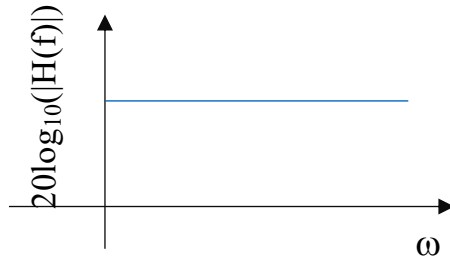




# Passing signals through LTI systems

In many applications we would like to pass a pulse  $x(t)$  through an LTI system such as cable such that the pulse shape would not change.

- **Ideal case**  $y(t) = ax(t - \tau_d)$ , where the attenuation  $a > 0$  is a constant and delay  $\tau_d$  is the same for all frequencies. This corresponds to system  $H(f) = ae^{-j2\pi f\tau_d}$



# Passing signals through LTI systems

LTI response to sinusoidal input  $x(t) = \cos(2\pi ft)$  :

$$y(t) = A(f) \cos(2\pi ft - \phi(f)) = A(f) \cos(2\pi f(t - t_d))$$

- **Frequency response function**  $H(f)$
- **Amplitude function**  $A(f) = |H(f)|$
- **Phase function**  $\phi(f) = -\arg\{H(f)\}$
- **Phase delay**  $t_d = \frac{\phi(f)}{2\pi f}$

# Passing signals through LTI systems

## LTI response to narrowband amplitude modulated signal

- Input:  $x(t) = a(t)\cos(2\pi f_0 t)$
- Output:  $y(t) \approx a(t - t_g)\cos(2\pi f_0(t - t_d))$

$$t_g = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d\phi(f)}{df}$$

Group delay

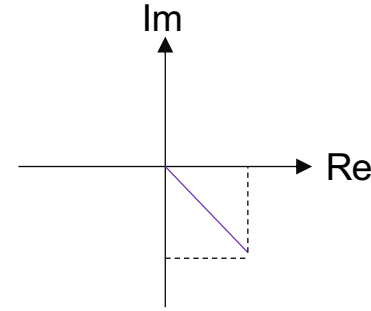
$$t_d = \frac{\phi(f)}{2\pi f}$$

Phase delay

# Example: Group delay of a RC filter

1<sup>st</sup> order system such as RC filter

$$H(f) = \frac{1}{1+j2\pi f} = \frac{1-j2\pi f}{1+(2\pi f)^2}$$



Argument angle

$$\arg\{H(f)\} = \arg\left\{\frac{1}{1+j2\pi f}\right\} = \arg\left\{\frac{1-j2\pi f}{1+(2\pi f)^2}\right\} = \arg\{1-j2\pi f\} = \text{atan}(-2\pi f)$$

Phase function

$$\phi(f) = -\arg\{H(f)\} = -\text{atan}(-2\pi f) = \text{atan}(2\pi f)$$

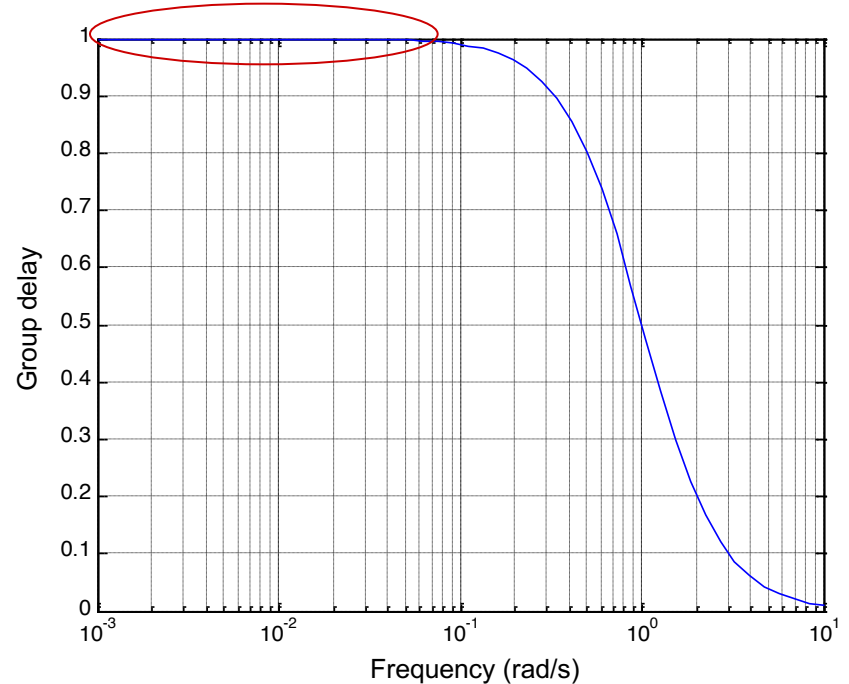
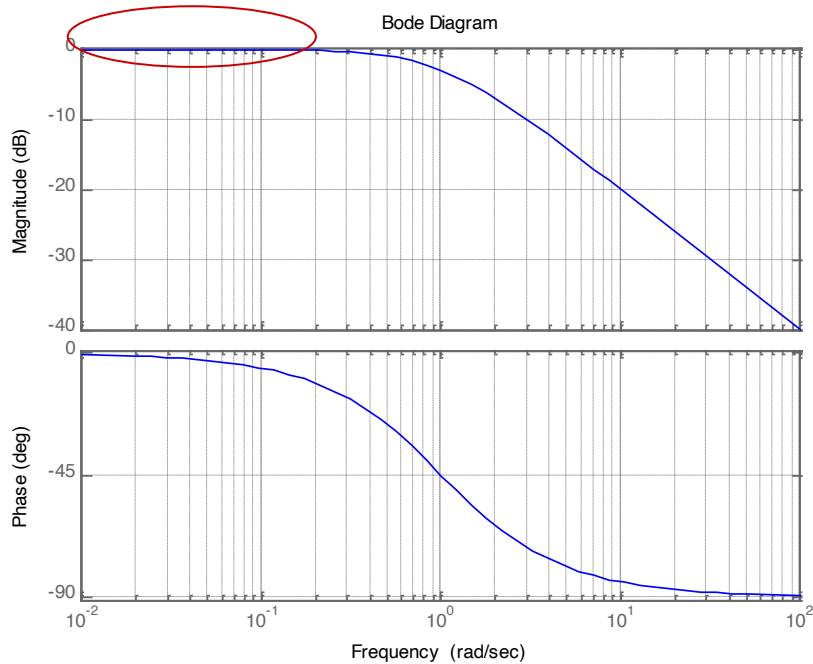
Group delay

$$t_g = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d\phi(f)}{df} = \frac{1}{1+(2\pi f)^2}$$

$$\frac{d\text{atan}(x)}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

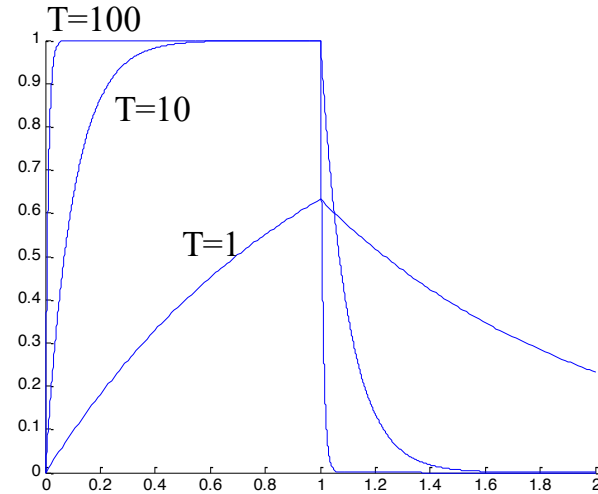
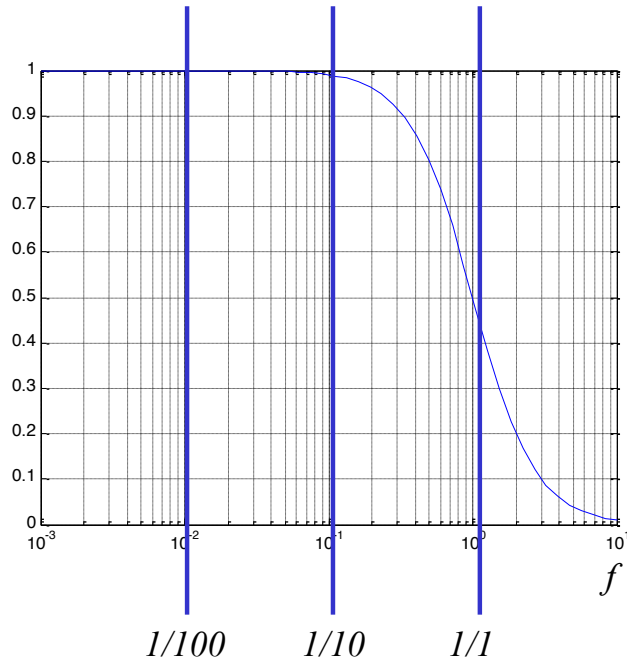
# Example: Group delay of a RC filter

Narrowband signal sees constant group delay



# Example: Group delay of a RC filter

Pulse of length  $T$  passing the RC filter





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