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TAMU Texas A&M University

HSUS Humane Society of the United States

P Pressure

T Time

FFT Fast Fourier Transform

TVA Tennessee Valley Authority

TxDOT Texas Department of Transportation

O&M Eller Oceanography and Meteorology Building

 $L^1$  Space of absolutely Lebesgue integrable functions; i.e.,  $\int |f| < \infty$ 

 $L^2$  Space of square-Lebesgue-integrable functions, i.e.,  $\int |f|^2 < \infty$ 

 $\operatorname{PC}(S)$  Space of piecewise-continuous functions on S

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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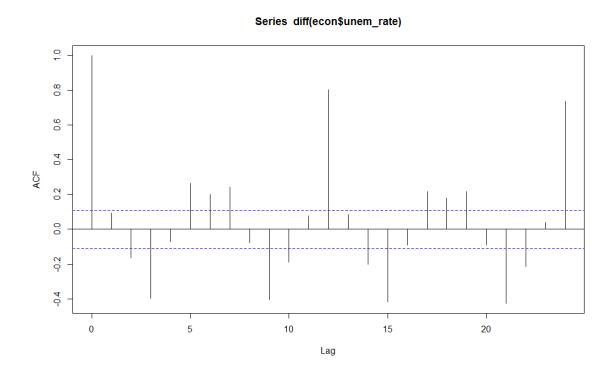


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$$y = c_1 \cos(t) + c_2 \sin(t) \tag{1}$$

$$e^{it} = \cos(t) + i\sin(t) \tag{2}$$

Equation 1 is the general solution to the differential equation y'' + y = 0. In the source code, the *ref* command allows you to refer to an equation by a label you created. References must be made after the equation has been created; attempting to refer to an equation before it is defined results in a question mark placeholder. Some more sample equations are below. Notice the first set below is not numbered (this is usually done when you are writing a mathematical proof or solution, where a series of equations are used. These equations should not be numbered).

$$\log(x^n) = \log(x \cdot x \cdot \dots \cdot x)$$
$$= \log x + \log x + \dots + \log x$$
$$= n \log x$$

$$X^T X \mathbf{u} = X^T \mathbf{y} \tag{3}$$

$$u(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(x,\tau) \exp\left(-\frac{(t-\tau)^2}{4kt}\right) d\tau \tag{4}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(f) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt$$
 (5)

$$\mathcal{F}(f) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega x} f(x) \, dx \tag{6}$$

You can use labels to refer to equations you create. Equation 6 is the **Laplace transform** used extensively in differential equations. Equation 3 is the matrix representation of the **normal equations** used in least-squares regression.

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To write pseudocodes, we will use the *algorithm* package. Here is an example of a pseudocode below:

# Algorithm 1 An algorithm with caption

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Require: n \ge 0
Ensure: y = x^n
y \leftarrow 1
X \leftarrow x
N \leftarrow n
while N \ne 0 do
if N is even then
X \leftarrow X \times X
N \leftarrow \frac{N}{2}
else if N is odd then
y \leftarrow y \times X
N \leftarrow N - 1
end if
end while
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# 3. RESULTS

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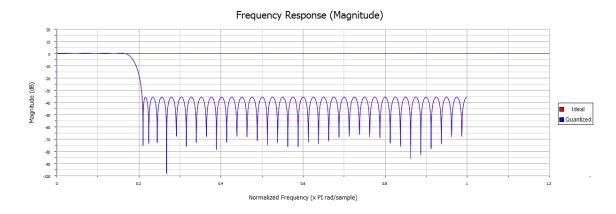


Figure 2: A low pass filter design.

# 4. CONCLUSION

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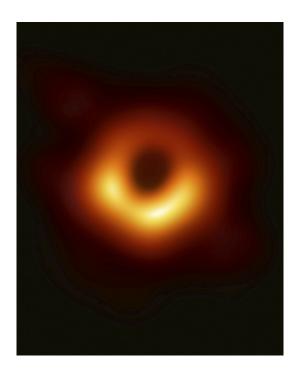


Figure A.1: The first recorded image of a black hole

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu} R + g_{\mu\nu}\Lambda = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{\mu\nu}$$
 (A.1)