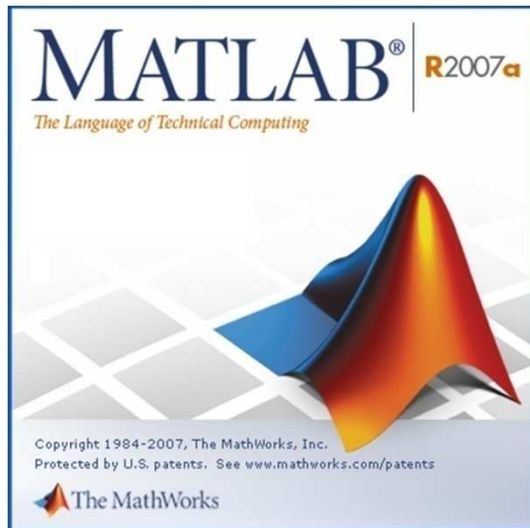


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MATLAB for Chemical Engineering

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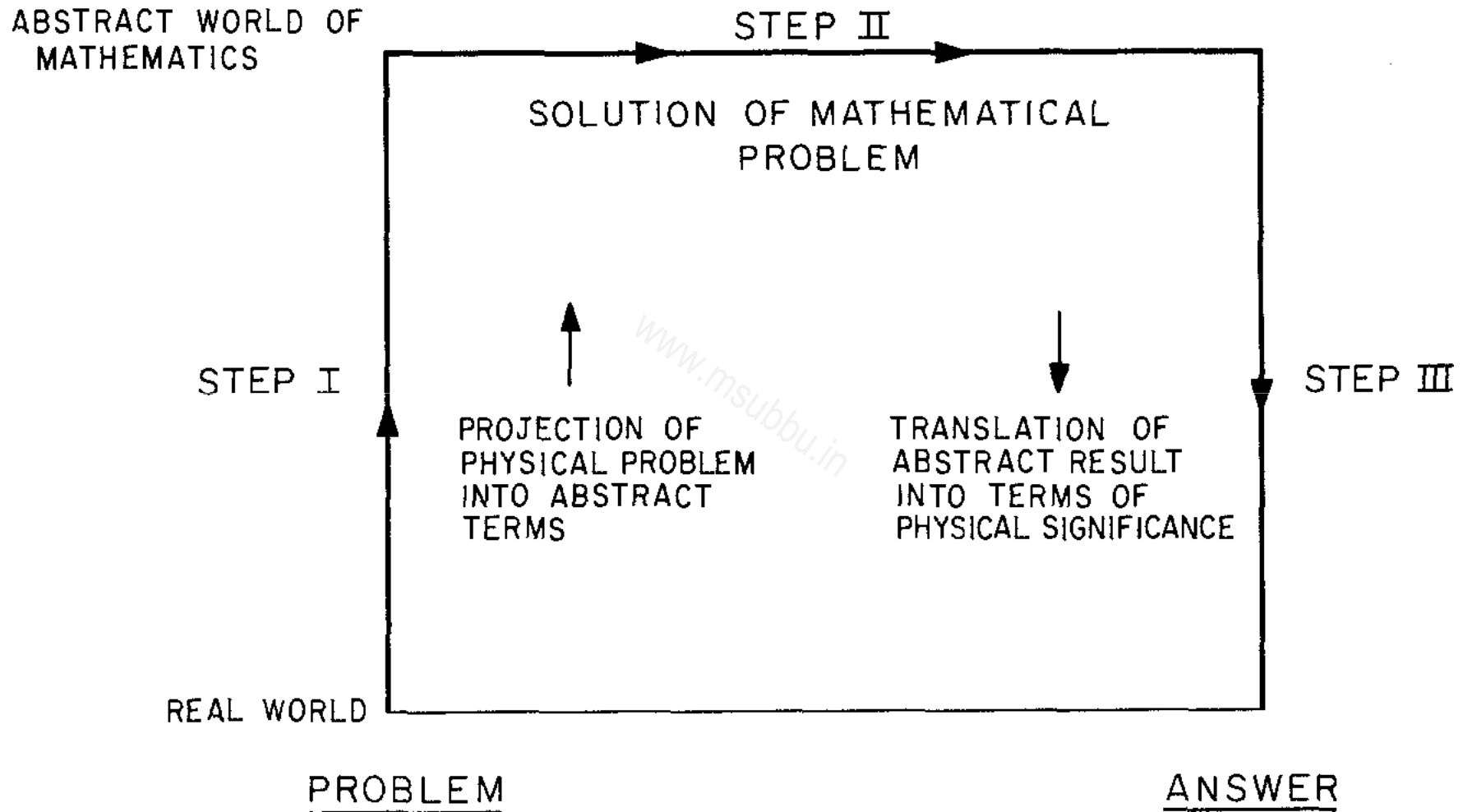
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Part I

Mathematical Models in Chemical Engineering

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Modeling & Simulation



Types of Mathematical Models

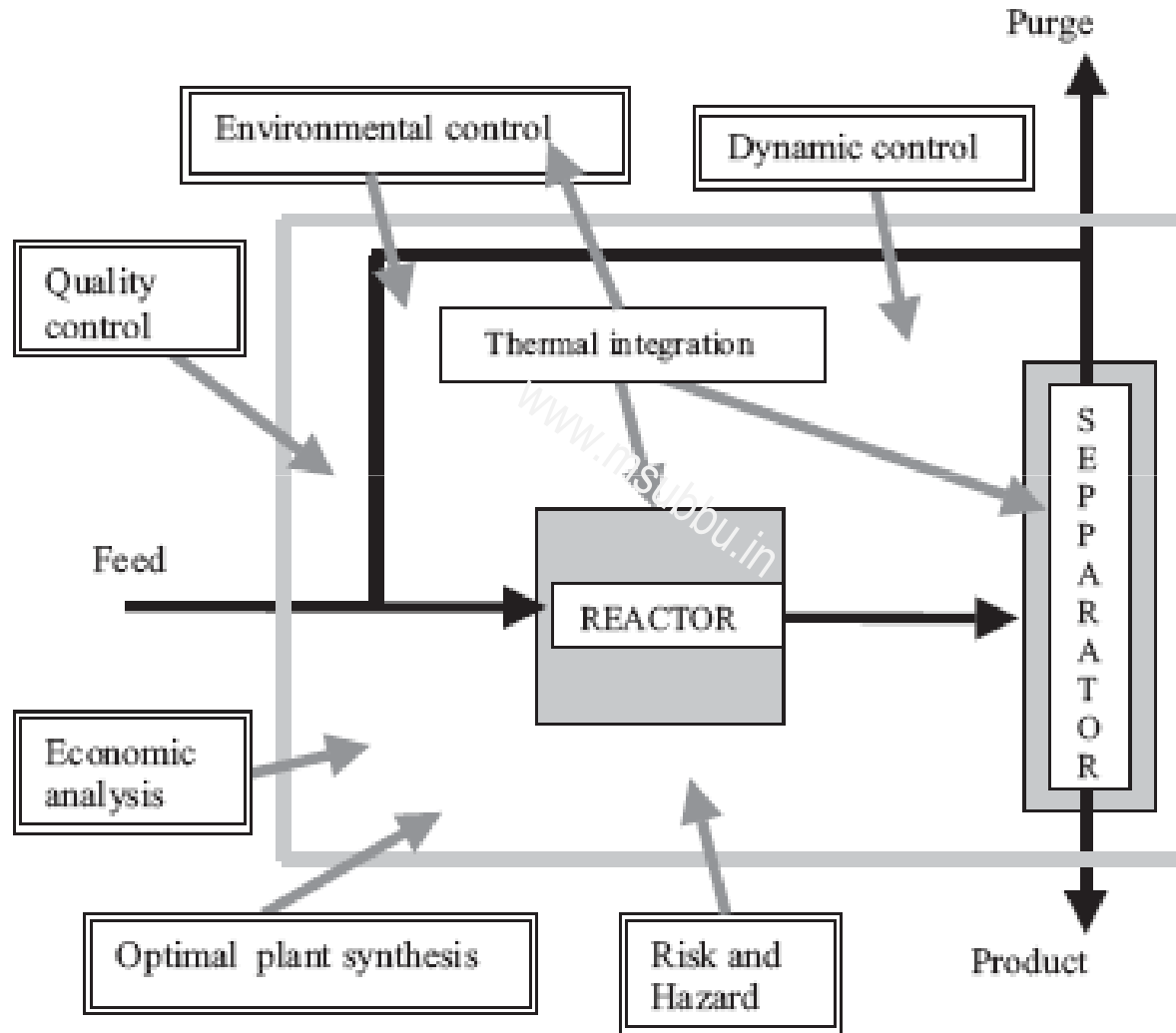
- Mathematical models are of two types:
 - based on physical theory
 - empirical
- Models based on physical theory can be further divided into the following categories:
 - Linear / non-linear
 - Steady / unsteady
 - Lumped / distributed parameter system
 - Continuous / discrete variables

Forms of Mathematical Models

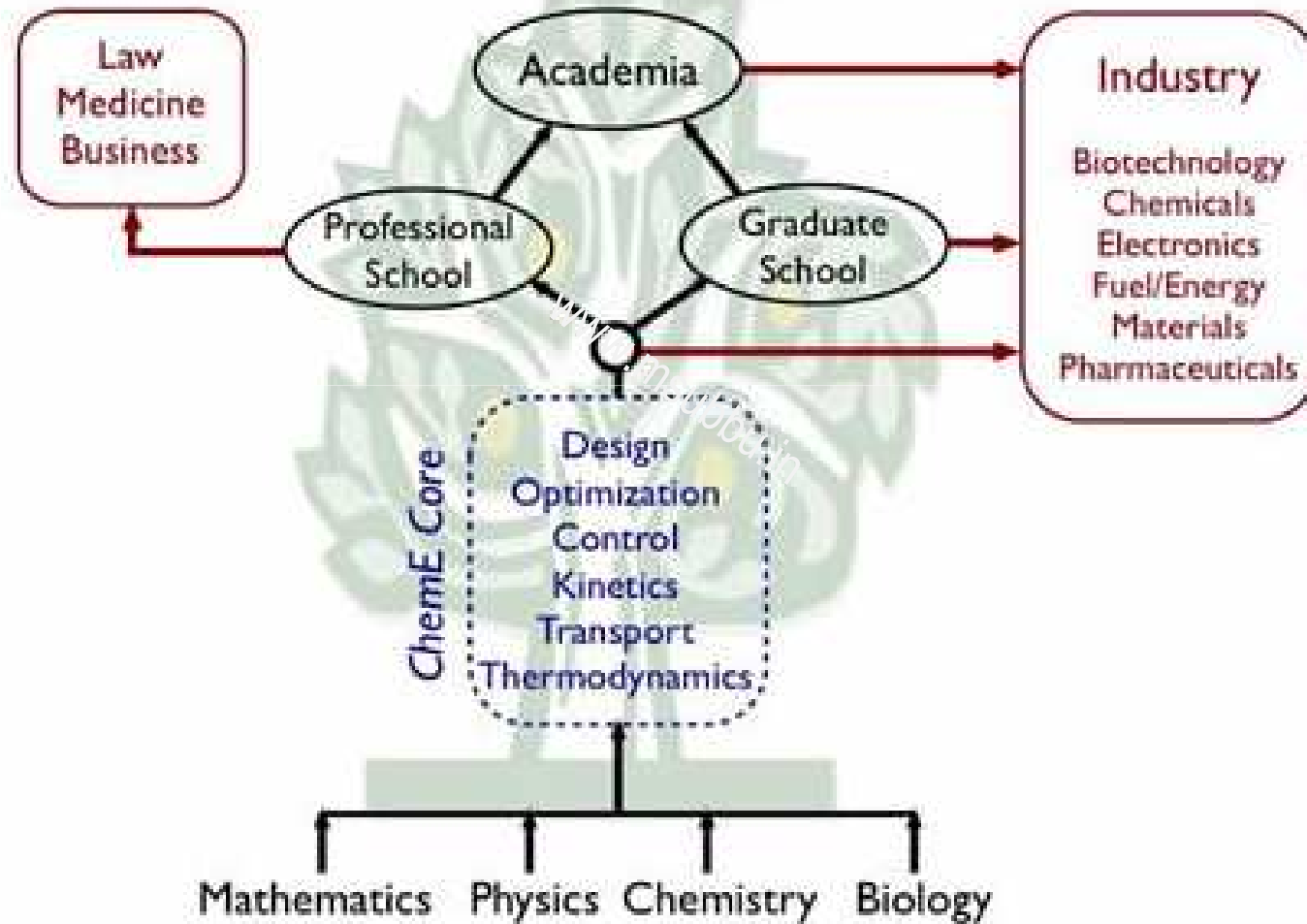
- Algebraic equations
 - Linear
 - nonlinear
- Integral equations
- Differential equations
 - Ordinary differential
 - Partial differential
- Difference equations

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Chemical Industry Problems



Chemical Engineering Education



Basis of Mathematical Models in Chemical Engineering

- Laws of physics, chemistry, such as conservation of mass, energy, and momentum
- Equation of state
- Equilibrium relationships
- Rate laws

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Mathematical Problems in Chemical Engineering

- Linear algebraic equations
- Non-linear equations
- Curve fitting – polynomial, non-linear
- Interpolation
- Integration
- Differential equations
- Partial differential equations

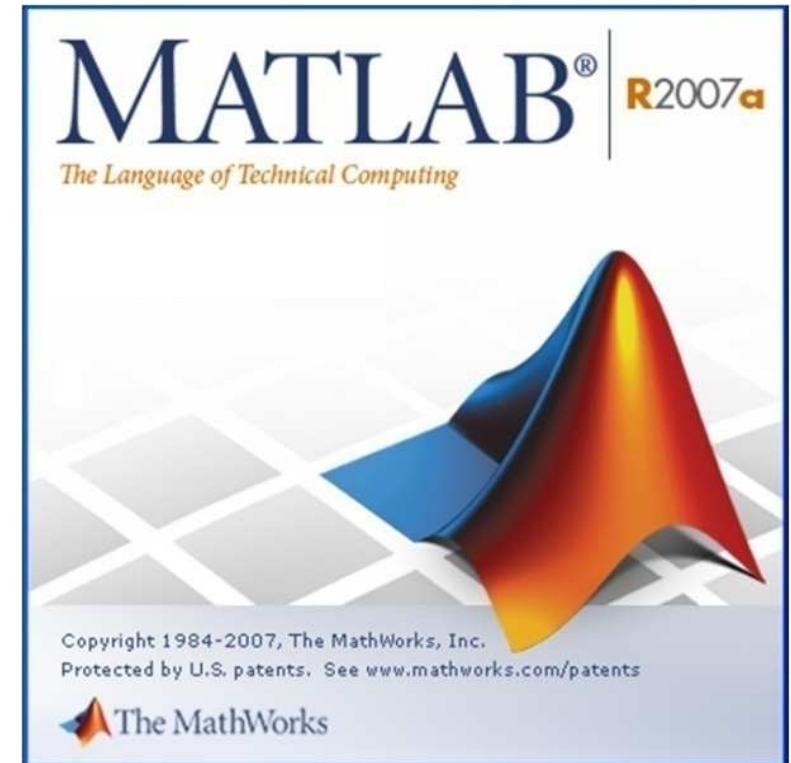
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Getting Started with MATLAB

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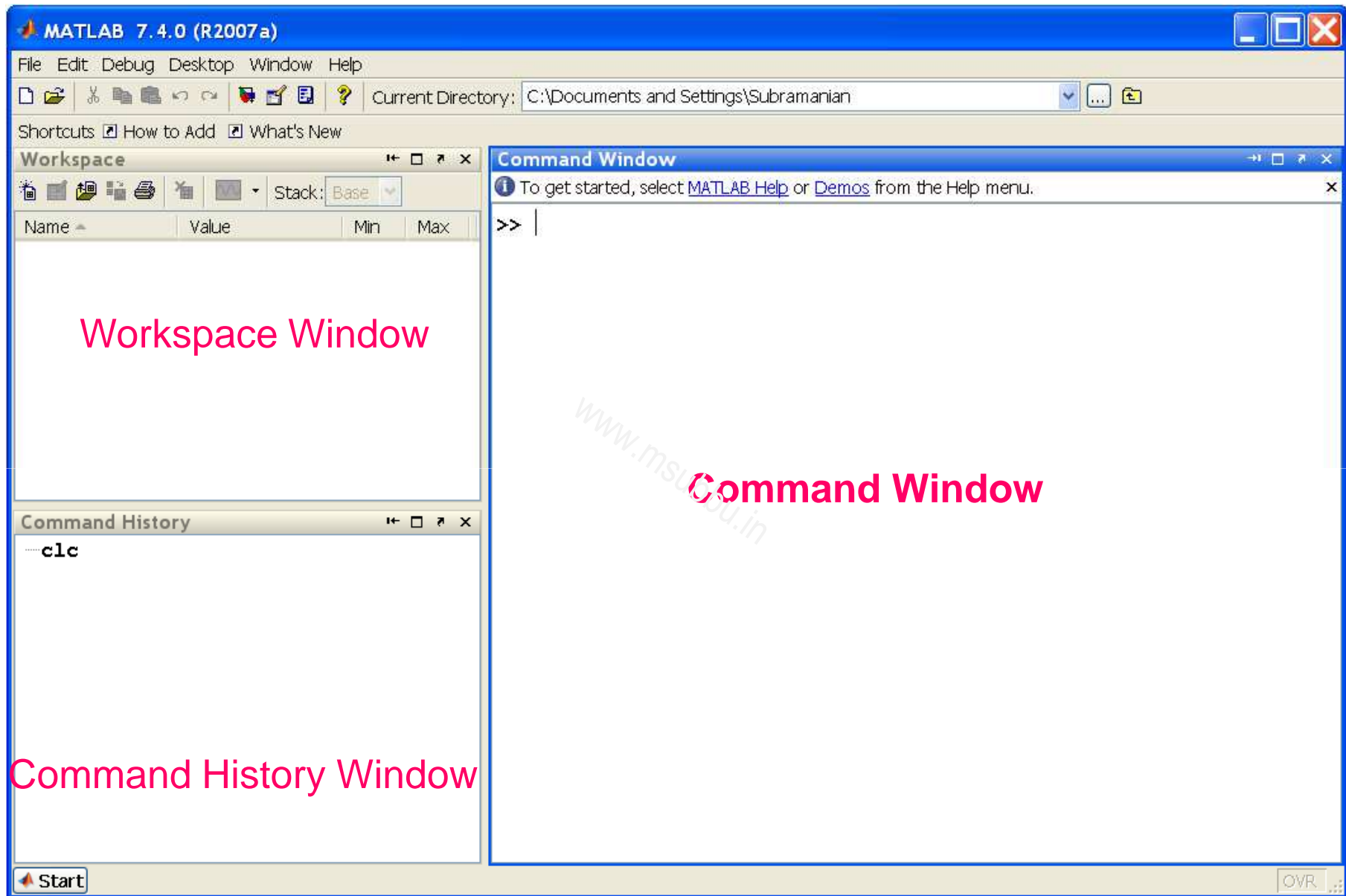
About MATLAB

- MATLAB has become a standard among academic and industrial users
- Developed by Math Works Inc.
- <http://www.mathworks.com>
- MATLAB - acronym for **MAT**rix **LAB**oratory
- Matrices and arrays - the heart of MATLAB
- Offers programming features - similar to other languages



Capabilities of MATLAB

- Provides extensive numerical resources
- Contains lot of reliable, accurate mathematical subprograms
- The subprograms provide solutions to broad range of mathematical problems including:
 - matrix algebra, complex arithmetic, differential equations, nonlinear systems, and many special functions
- Provides a variety of graphic output displays:
 - linear, log-log, semilog, polar, bar chart, and contour plots
 - 2-D and 3-D views
- Provides GUI tool: [Simulink](#)[®] – block diagram representation, simulation



MATLAB 7.4.0 (R2007a)

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Shortcuts How to Add What's New

Workspace

Name	Value	Min	Max
A	[1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8]	1	8
B	[1 2 3 4 5 6 7 ...]	1	10
ans	108	108	108

Command Window

To get started, select [MATLAB Help](#) or [Demos](#) from the Help menu.

```
>> 2+2.5+106

ans =

    110.5000

>> 4*25 + 2^3

ans =

    108

>> A = [1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8]

A =

     1     2     3     4     5     6     7     8

>> B = 1:10

B =

     1     2     3     4     5     6     7     8     9    10

>>
```

Command History

```
clc
2+2.5+106
4*25 + 2^3
A = [1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8]
B = 1:10
```

Start OVR



MATLAB Variables

```
» D = 2
D =
    2
» v = 3
v =
    3
» rho = 1000;
» mu = 0.001;
» Re = D*v*rho/mu
Re =
 6000000
»
```

ans	Default variable name used for results
pi	Value of π
inf	Stands for infinity (e.g., 1/0)
NaN	Stands for Not-a-Number (e.g., 0/0)
i, j	$i = j = \sqrt{-1}$

```
» c1 = 2+3i
c1 =
 2.0000 + 3.0000i
```


Mathematical Functions

» `x=sqrt(2)/2`

`x =`

`0.7071`

» `y=sin(x)`

`y =`

`0.6496`

»

Trigonometric functions	<code>sin, cos, tan, sinh, acos, atan, cosh, tanh, asinh, acosh, atanh, csc, sec, cot, acsc, ...</code>
Exponential functions	<code>exp, log, log10, sqrt</code>
Complex functions	<code>abs, angle, imag, real, conj</code>
Rounding and Remainder functions	<code>floor, ceil, round, mod, rem, sign</code>

Array Operations

```
» x = 1:10;
» y = sin(x)
y =
Columns 1 through 7
    0.8415    0.9093    0.1411   -0.7568   -0.9589   -0.2794    0.6570
Columns 8 through 10
    0.9894    0.4121   -0.5440

» y(3)

ans =
    0.1411

» y(1:5)

ans =
    0.8415    0.9093    0.1411   -0.7568   -0.9589
```

Array Manipulation

```
» A = [1 2; 3 4; 5 6]
```

```
A =
```

```
    1    2  
    3    4  
    5    6
```

```
» B = [1 2 3; 4 5 6];
```

```
» A'
```

```
ans =
```

```
    1    3    5  
    2    4    6
```

```
» A+B
```

```
??? Error using ==> plus  
Matrix dimensions must agree.
```

```
»
```

```
» A*B
```

```
ans =
```

```
    9    12    15  
   19    26    33  
   29    40    51
```

```
»
```

Element by Element Operation

```
» clear
» a = [1 2; 3 4];
» b = [1 1; 2 2];
»
» a.*b
```

```
ans =

     1     2
     6     8
```

```
»
```

```
» a./b
```

```
ans =

     1.0000     2.0000
     1.5000     2.0000
```

```
» a/b
```

```
Warning: Matrix is singular to
working precision.
```

```
ans =

    -Inf     Inf
    -Inf     Inf
```

```
»
```

Matrix Operations

```
» A = [1 2; 3 4];  
» B = [1 1; 2 2];
```

```
» [A B]
```

```
ans =
```

```
    1    2    1    1  
    3    4    2    2
```

```
» ans-1
```

```
ans =
```

```
    0    1    0    0  
    2    3    1    1
```

```
» C = [A B]
```

```
C =
```

```
    1    2    1    1  
    3    4    2    2
```

```
» C(1,:) www.msusbou.in
```

```
ans =
```

```
    1    2    1    1
```

```
» C(:,2:end)
```

```
ans =
```

```
    2    1    1  
    4    2    2
```

Matrix Functions

```
» A
```

```
A =
```

```
    1    2  
    3    4
```

```
» det(A)
```

```
ans =
```

```
    -2
```

```
» inv(A)
```

```
ans =
```

```
   -2.0000    1.0000  
    1.5000   -0.5000
```

```
»
```

```
» [a b] = eig(A)
```

```
a =
```

```
   -0.8246   -0.4160  
    0.5658   -0.9094
```

```
b =
```

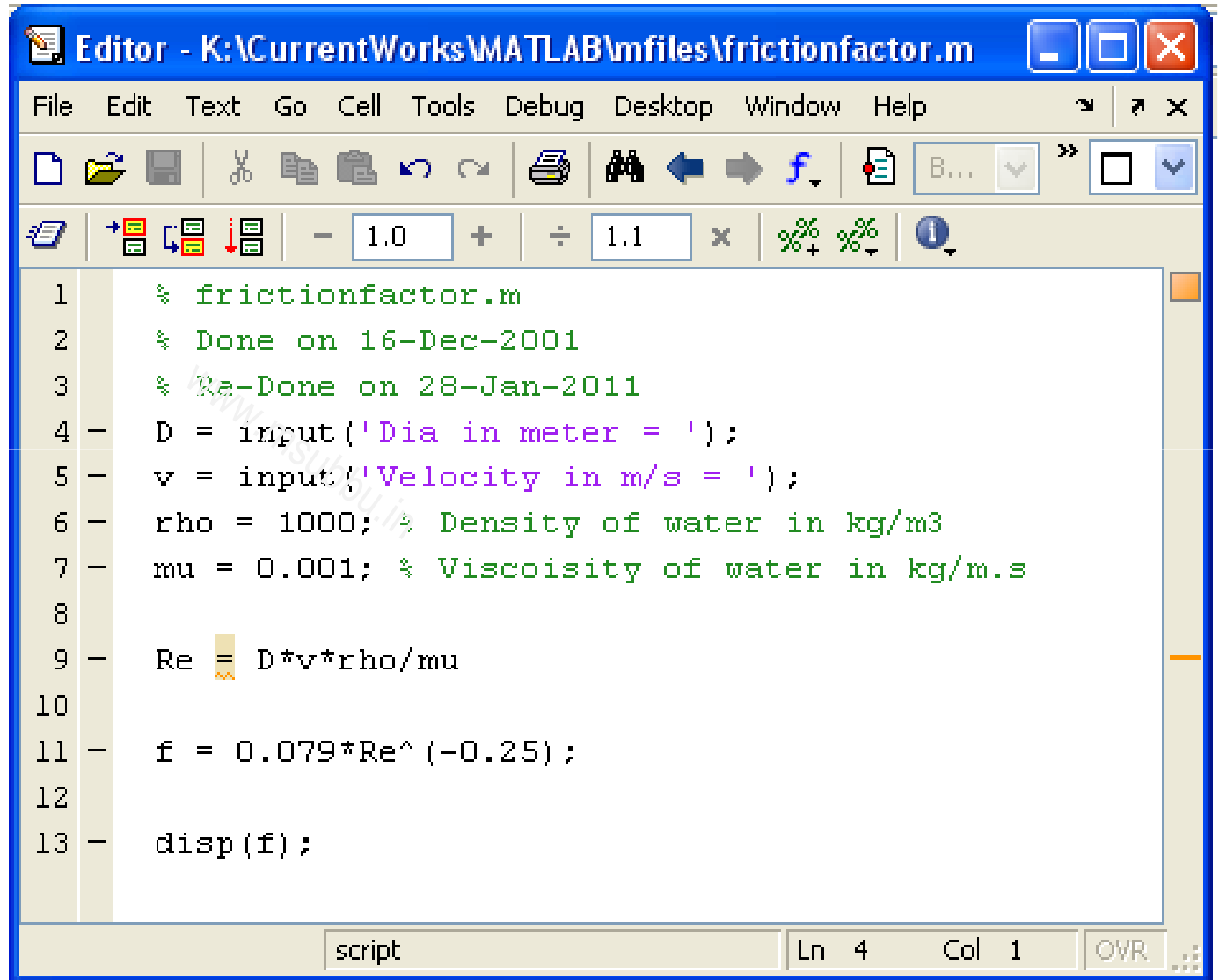
```
   -0.3723    0  
    0    5.3723
```

```
»
```

Related: `diag`, `triu`, `tril`, `rank`, `size`

Using Script M-files

```
» frictionfactor
Dia in meter = .1
Velocity in m/s = 2
Re =
    200000
    0.0037
»
```



The screenshot shows a MATLAB Editor window titled "Editor - K:\CurrentWorks\MATLAB\mfiles\frictionfactor.m". The window contains the following code:

```
1 % frictionfactor.m
2 % Done on 16-Dec-2001
3 % Re-Done on 28-Jan-2011
4 - D = input('Dia in meter = ');
5 - v = input('Velocity in m/s = ');
6 - rho = 1000; % Density of water in kg/m3
7 - mu = 0.001; % Viscosity of water in kg/m.s
8
9 - Re = D*v*rho/mu
10
11 - f = 0.079*Re^(-0.25);
12
13 - disp(f);
```

The status bar at the bottom of the window shows "script", "Ln 4", "Col 1", and "OVR".

Control Flow Statements

```
for <index=start:end>  
...  
end
```

```
if <expression>  
...  
else  
...  
end
```

```
while <condition>  
...  
end
```

```
switch expression  
  
    case option1  
    ...  
  
    case option2  
    ...  
    .  
    case optionN  
    ...  
  
    otherwise  
  
end
```


Part III

Capabilities of MATLAB in Solving Typical Chemical Engineering Problems

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Matrix Problems

To calculate the quantities of each of the three acids required for making 100 kg blended acid:

Component	Compositions of acids			Composition of blended acid
	Spent acid X	Aqueous HNO ₃ Y	Aqueous H ₂ SO ₄ Z	
H ₂ SO ₄	44.4	0	98	60
HNO ₃	11.3	90	0	32
H ₂ O	44.3	10	2	8

H₂SO₄ balance:

$$44.4 X + 0 Y + 98 Z = 60$$

HNO₃ balance:

$$11.3 X + 90 Y + 0 Z = 32$$

H₂O balance:

$$44.3 X + 10 Y + 2 Z = 8$$

$$\gg A = \begin{bmatrix} 44.4 & 0 & 98 \\ 11.3 & 90 & 0 \\ 44.3 & 10 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\gg B = \begin{bmatrix} 60 \\ 32 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\gg x = \text{inv}(A) * B$$

x =

0.0764

0.3460

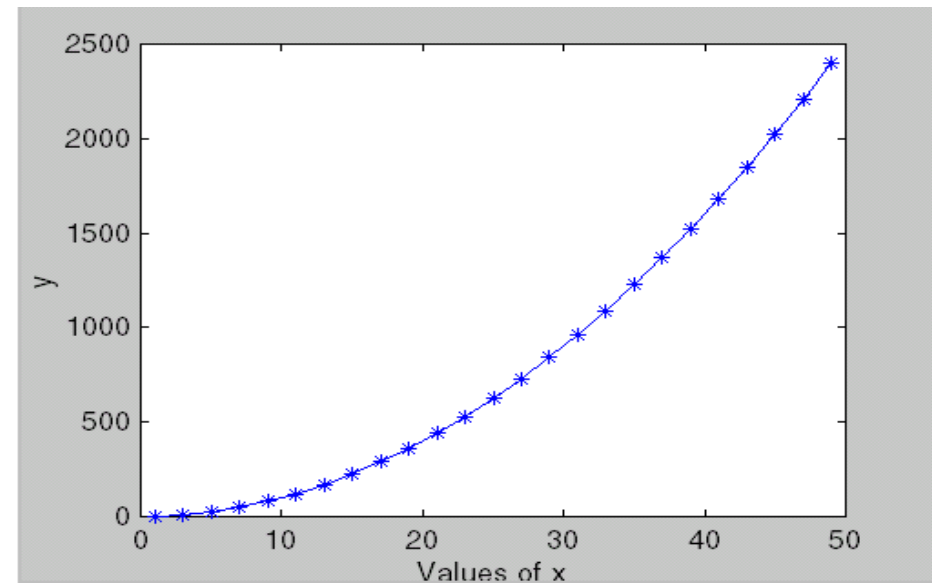
0.5776

Similar Problems: Stage by stage calculations of absorber, extractor, with linear equilibrium relationships, under isothermal operation...

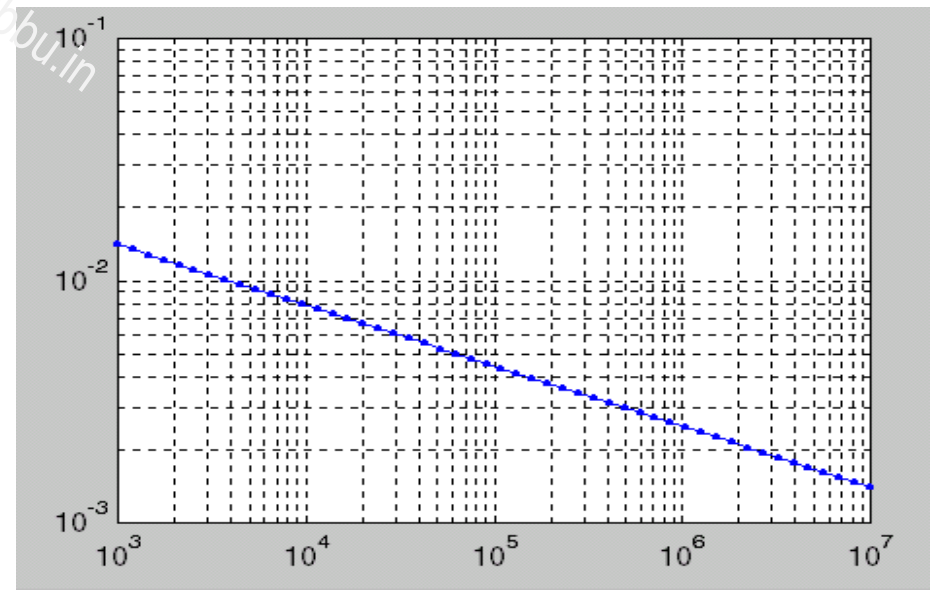


Plots

```
» x = 1:2:50;  
» y = x.^2;  
» plot(x,y,'*-')  
» xlabel('Values of x')  
» ylabel('y')  
»
```



```
» P = logspace(3,7);  
» Q = 0.079*P.^(-0.25);  
» loglog(P,Q, '-')  
» grid
```



Non-linear Equation

```
% pvt_calculation.m
global R T P Tc Pc
T = input('Temperature in K ');
P = input('Pressure in Bar ');
R = 0.08314;           % Bar.m3/kmol.K
Tc = 190.6;           % Tc of Methane K
Pc = 45.99;           % Pc of Methane bar
v_ig = R*T/P
v_vander = fzero('vander',v_ig)
%-----
```

```
% vander.m
function v2 = vander(vol);
global R T P Tc Pc
a = 27*(R^2)*(Tc^2)/(64*Pc);
b = R*Tc/(8*Pc);
v2 = R*T - (P + a/vol^2)*(vol-b);
%-----
```

$$\left(P + \frac{a}{V^2}\right)(V - b) = RT$$

$$a = \frac{27 R^2 T_c^2}{64 P_c}$$

$$b = \frac{RT_c}{8P_c}$$

```
» pvt_calculation
```

```
Temperature in K 350
```

```
Pressure in Bar 30
```

```
v_ig =
      0.9700
```

```
v_vander =
      0.9347
```

```
»
```

Non-linear Equations

van Laar equations:

$$\ln \gamma_1 = A'_{12} \left(1 + \frac{A'_{12}x_1}{A'_{21}x_2} \right)^{-2}$$
$$\ln \gamma_2 = A'_{21} \left(1 + \frac{A'_{21}x_2}{A'_{12}x_1} \right)^{-2}$$

Relates γ_i with x_i . Estimating the parameters (A'_{12} , A'_{21}) based on γ_i , x_i data, involves solving the nonlinear algebraic equations.

Solution to Non-linear Equations

```
function Eqn = vanLaarEqns(A, x1, g1, g2)
% to solve for vanLaar parameters A1, A2
x2 = 1-x1;
Eqn(1) = log(g1) - A(1)*(1+ (A(1)*x1/(A(2)*x2)))^(-2);
Eqn(2) = log(g2) - A(2)*(1+ (A(2)*x2/(A(1)*x1)))^(-2);
% end
```

```
» x_1 = 0.561; g_1 = 1.4167; g_2 = 1.4646; Azero = [2 2];
» Asolved = fsolve(@vanLaarEqns, Azero, [], x_1, g_1, g_2)
Optimization terminated: first-order optimality is less than
options.TolFun.
```

```
Asolved =
    1.2015    1.7911
»
```

Non-linear Equations in ChE

- Terminal settling velocity
- Pressure drop vs. velocity for flow through pipelines, Piping network calculations, pressure drop / velocity calculations in packed and fluidized beds
- PVT relations – nonlinear algebraic
- Internal Rate of Return (IRR) calculations

Interpolations

$$V = ZRT/P$$

$$Z = f(T_r, P_r)$$

$$T_r = T/T_c, \text{ and } P_r = P/P_c$$

		Z°							
Tr	Pr →	0.01	0.05	0.10	0.20	0.40	0.60	0.80	1.00
↓									
0.30		0.0029	0.0145	0.0290	0.0579	0.1158	0.1737	0.2315	0.2892
0.35		0.0026	0.0130	0.0261	0.0522	0.1043	0.1564	0.2084	0.2604
0.40		0.0024	0.0119	0.0239	0.0477	0.0953	0.1429	0.1904	0.2379
0.45		0.0022	0.0110	0.0221	0.0442	0.0882	0.1322	0.1762	0.2200
0.50		0.0021	0.0103	0.0207	0.0413	0.0825	0.1236	0.1647	0.2056
0.55		0.9804	0.0098	0.0195	0.0390	0.0778	0.1166	0.1553	0.1939
0.60		0.9849	0.0093	0.0186	0.0371	0.0741	0.1109	0.1476	0.1842
0.65		0.9881	0.9377	0.0178	0.0356	0.0710	0.1063	0.1415	0.1765
0.70		0.9904	0.9504	0.8958	0.0344	0.0687	0.1027	0.1366	0.1703
0.75		0.9922	0.9598	0.9165	0.0336	0.0670	0.1001	0.1330	0.1656
0.80		0.9935	0.9669	0.9319	0.8539	0.0661	0.0985	0.1307	0.1626

» interp2(Pr_data, Tr_data, Z0_data, 0.5, 0.48)

ans =

0.1059

Polynomial Fitting

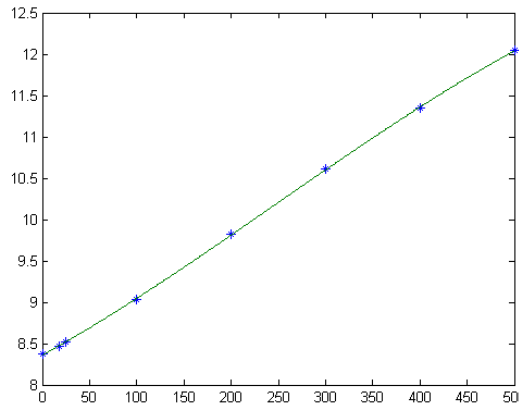
$$C_p = aT^3 + bT^2 + cT + d$$

```
>> T=[0,18,25,100,200,300,400,500];  
>> Cp=[8.371, 8.472, 8.514, 9.035, 9.824, 10.606, 11.347, 12.045];  
>> P=polyfit(T,Cp,3)
```

P =

-0.0000 0.0000 0.0053 8.3590

```
>> T_range = [0:500];  
>> Cp_fit = P(1).*T_range.^3+P(2).*T_range.^2+P(3).*T_range+P(4);  
>> plot(T,Cp,'*',T_range,Cp_fit)
```



Nonlinear Curve Fitting

$$\ln P = A - B/(T+C)$$

```
% AntoineFit.m
function AntoineFit
% T in oC; P in kPa
% ln P = A - B/(T+C)

T = [127.371  144.129  153.240  159.318  166.330  168.757  174.720  ...
     178.420  181.160  183.359  189.673  196.222  201.605  206.080  ...
     212.190  218.896  224.570];

P = [0.139    0.293    0.424    0.538    0.706    0.774    0.964  ...
     1.101    1.213    1.309    1.627    2.024    2.414    2.784  ...
     3.369    4.128    4.882];

ABC0 = [5 500 -50]; % Starting guess
```

```
% AntoineFit.m contd..
```

```
ABCfit = lsqcurvefit(@EqnForm,ABC0,T,P)
```

```
Tfit = [50:5:250];
```

```
Pfit = exp(ABCfit(1) - ABCfit(2)./(Tfit + ABCfit(3)));
```

```
plot(T,P,'+',Tfit,Pfit,'-')
```

```
function Psat = EqnForm(ABC,Tdata)
```

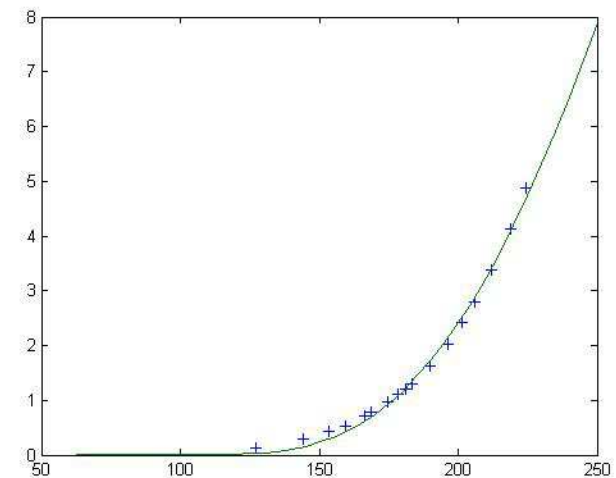
```
Psat = exp(ABC(1) - ABC(2)./(Tdata + ABC(3)));
```

```
% -----
```

```
» AntoineFit
```

```
ABCfit =
```

```
5.7313 748.0393 -45.8242
```



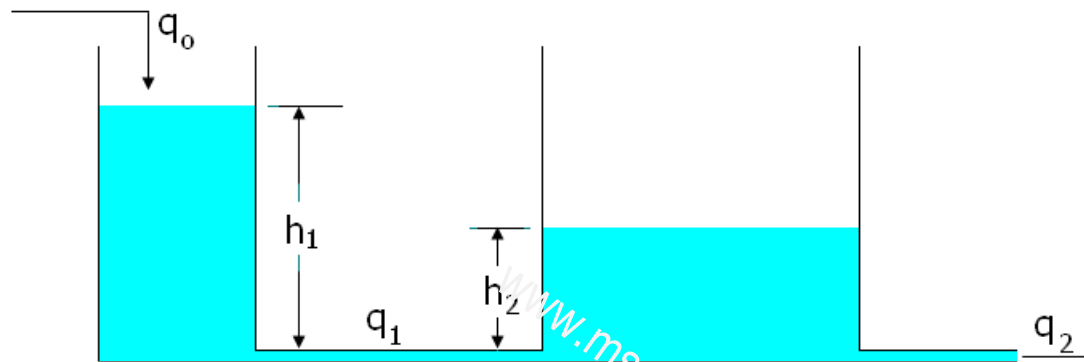
Nonlinear Curve Fitting in ChE

- Langmuir-Hinshelwood kinetics
- Parameters of Redlich-Kister expansion for property changes of mixing
- Activity coefficient-composition models

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Ordinary Differential Equations

To plot the variation in tank levels for two interacting tanks



From mass balance, and using Bernoulli equations, we get:

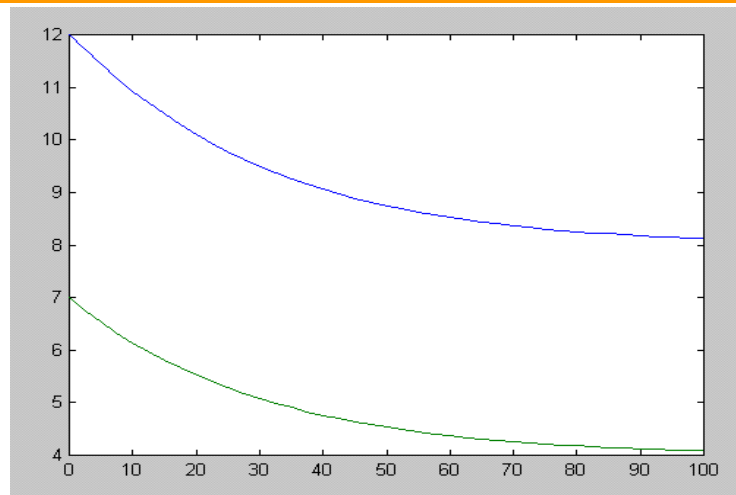
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dh_1}{dt} &= \beta_0 - \beta_1 \sqrt{h_1 - h_2} \\ \frac{dh_2}{dt} &= \beta_2 \sqrt{h_1 - h_2} - \beta_3 \sqrt{h_2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Where } \beta_0 = \frac{q_0}{A_1}; \beta_1 = \frac{A_{p1}}{A_1} \sqrt{2g}; \beta_2 = \frac{A_{p1}}{A_2} \sqrt{2g}; \text{ and } \beta_3 = \frac{A_{p2}}{A_2} \sqrt{2g}$$

Solving ODEs

```
%twotnk.m
function hdot = twotnk(t,h)
% To solve
% dh1/dt = 1 - 0.5*sqrt(h1-h2)
% dh2/dt = 0.25*sqrt(h1-h2) - 0.25*sqrt(h2)
hdot = zeros(2,1); % a column vector
hdot(1) = 1- 0.5*sqrt(h(1)-h(2));
hdot(2) = 0.25*sqrt(h(1) - h(2)) - 0.25*sqrt(h(2));
```

```
» [t, h] = ode45(@twotnk, [0 100], [12 7]');
» plot(t, h)
```



ODE Problems in ChE

- Reaction Engineering
 - Concentration vs time (dC/dt),
- Heat Transfer
 - Temperature vs time (dT/dt), Temperature vs distance (dT/dx)

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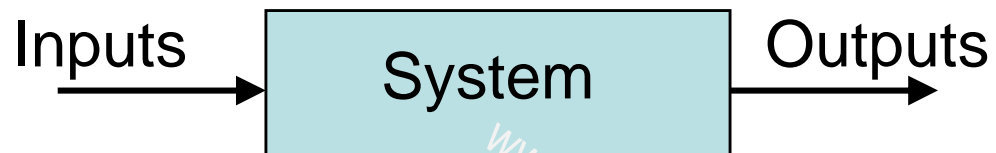
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Getting Started with Simulink

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Simulink

- **SIMULINK** is an extension to **MATLAB** which uses a icon-driven interface for the construction of a block diagram representation of a process.

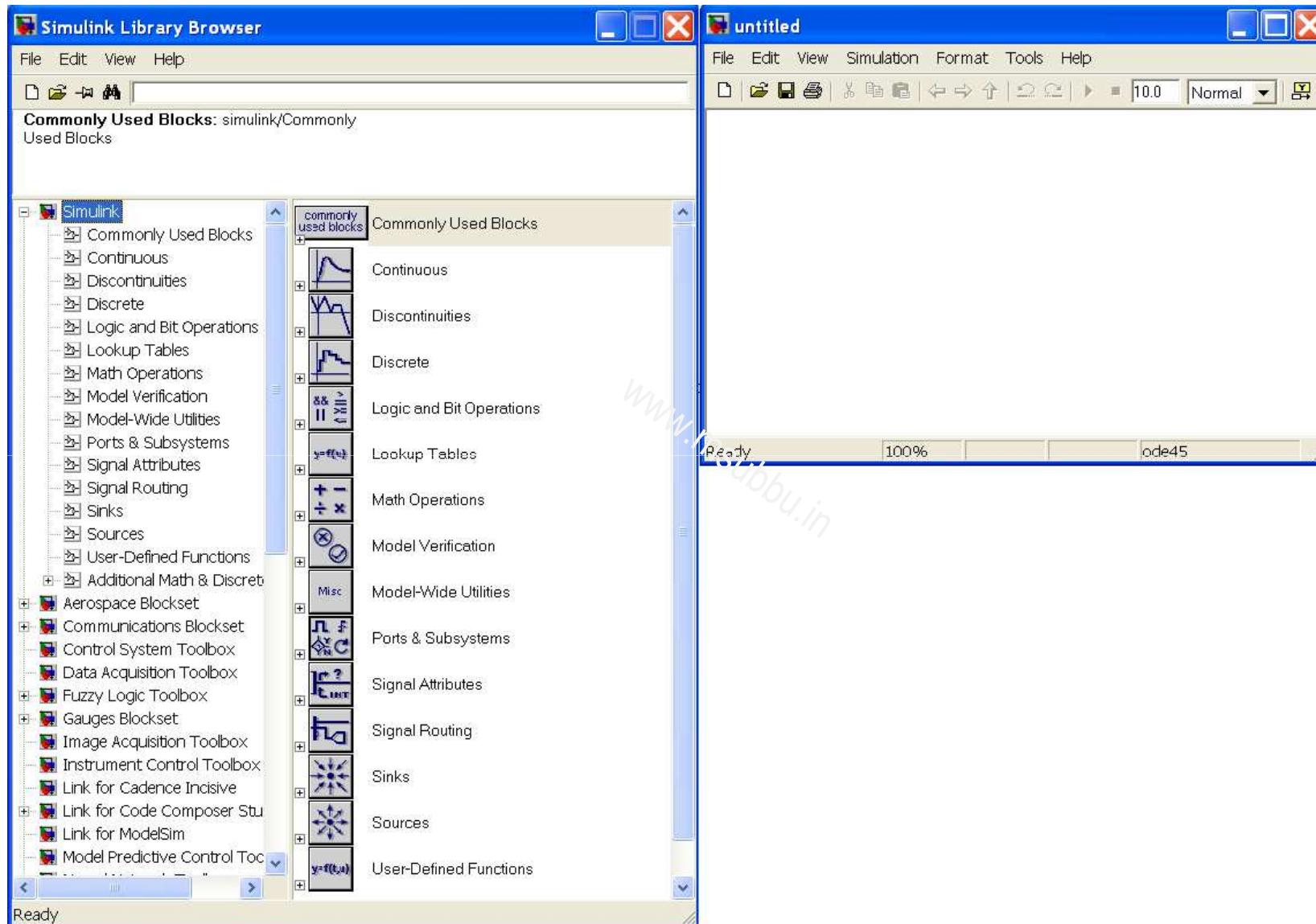


- **Steps involved in Simulink Solution:**

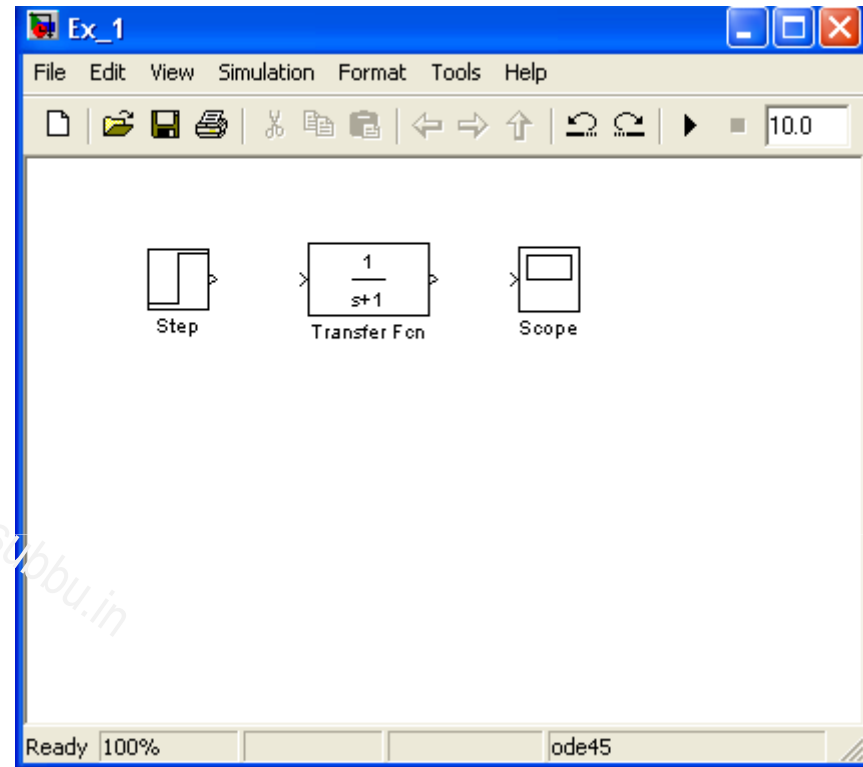
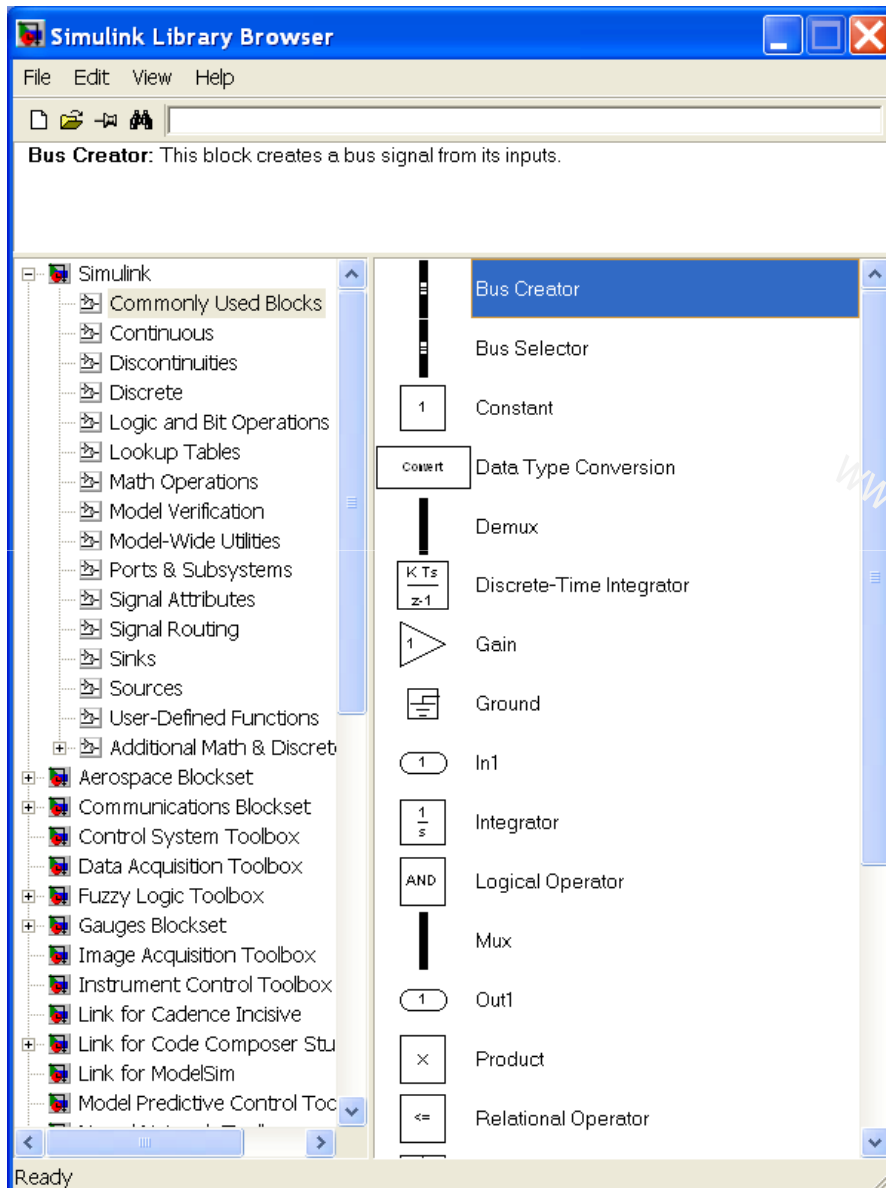
- Creating the Block Diagram
- Specifying the Block Parameters
- Setting up the Solver
- Running the Simulation



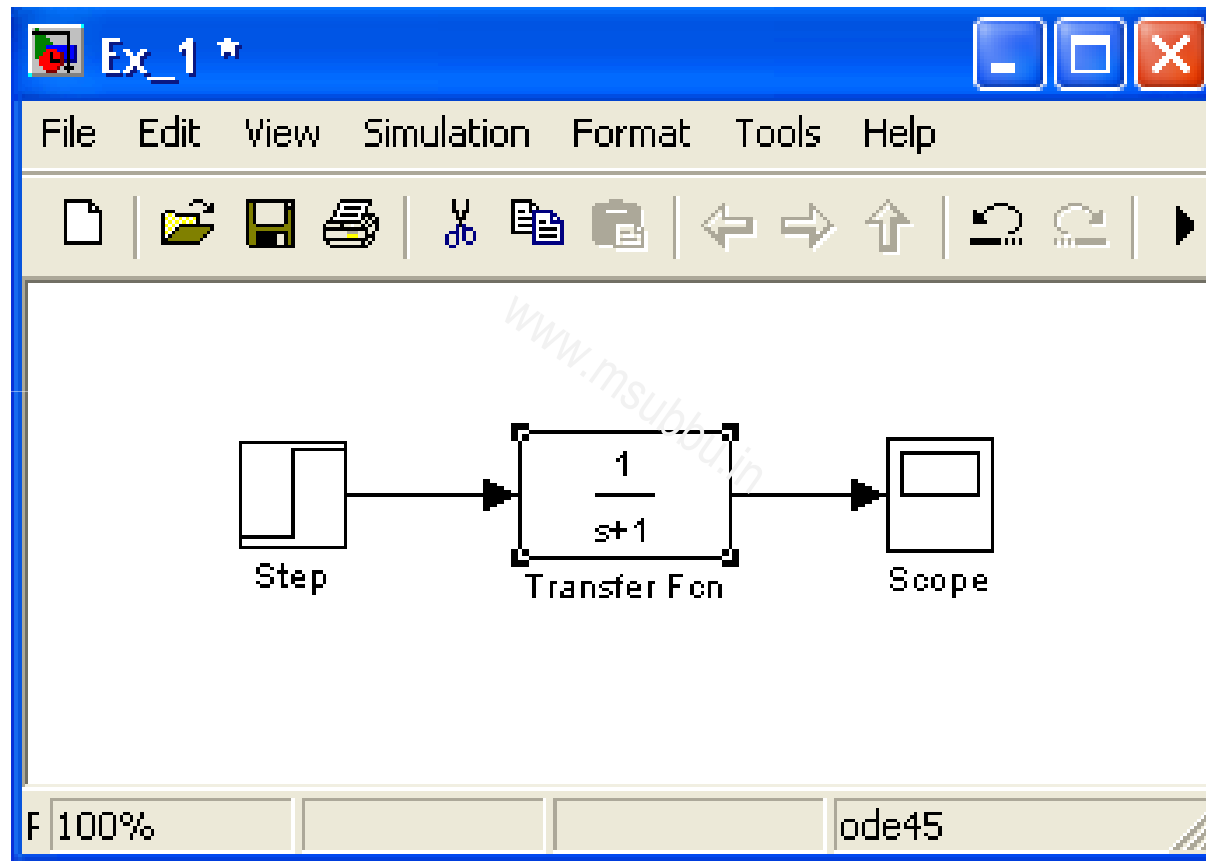
New Simulink File



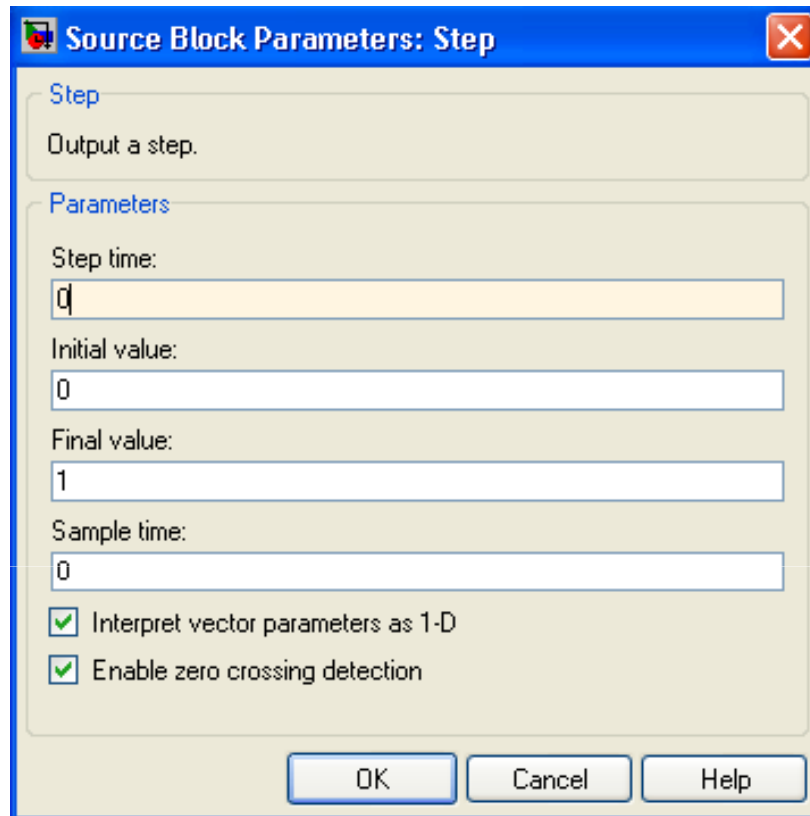
Arranging the Blocks



Connecting the Blocks



Specifying Block Parameters



Source Block Parameters: Step

Step

Output a step.

Parameters

Step time:
0

Initial value:
0

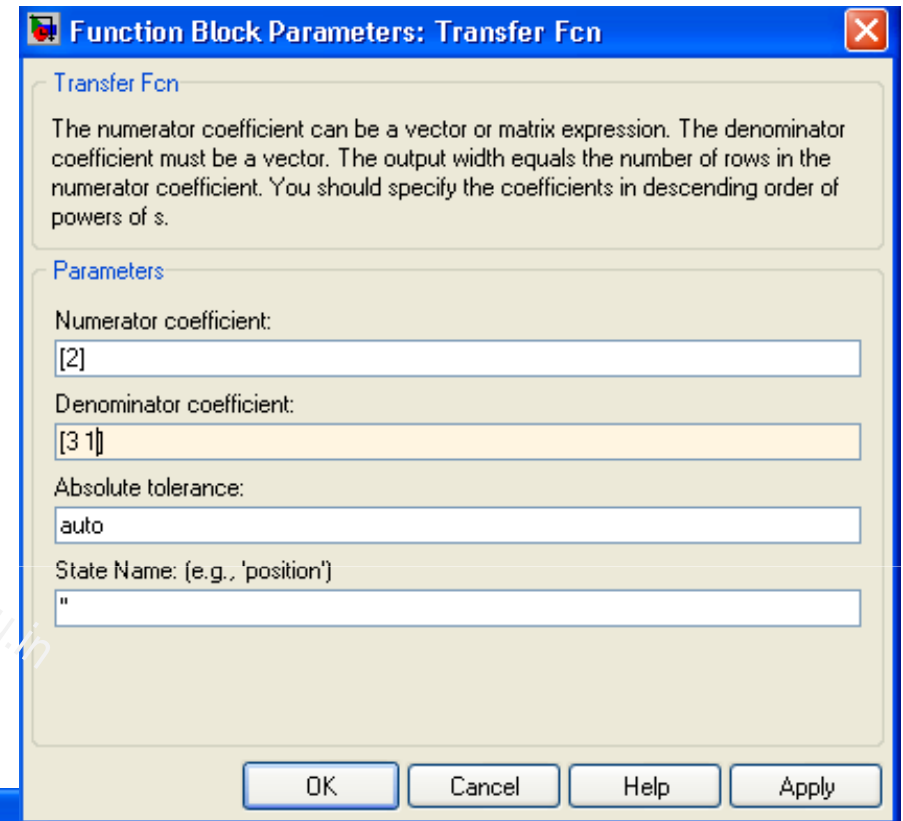
Final value:
1

Sample time:
0

Interpret vector parameters as 1-D

Enable zero crossing detection

OK Cancel Help



Function Block Parameters: Transfer Fcn

Transfer Fcn

The numerator coefficient can be a vector or matrix expression. The denominator coefficient must be a vector. The output width equals the number of rows in the numerator coefficient. You should specify the coefficients in descending order of powers of s.

Parameters

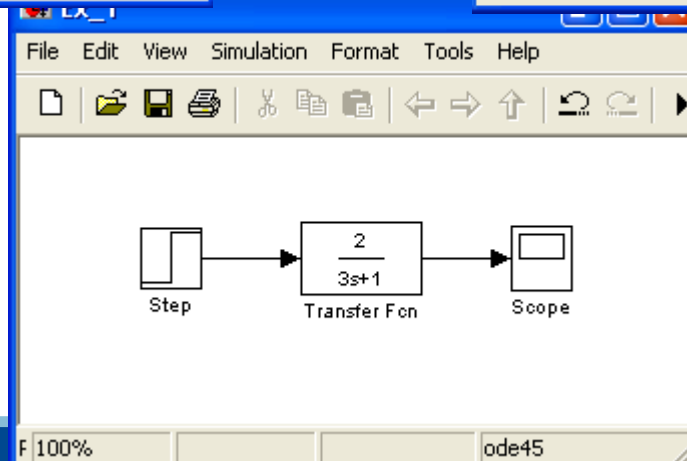
Numerator coefficient:
[2]

Denominator coefficient:
[3 1]

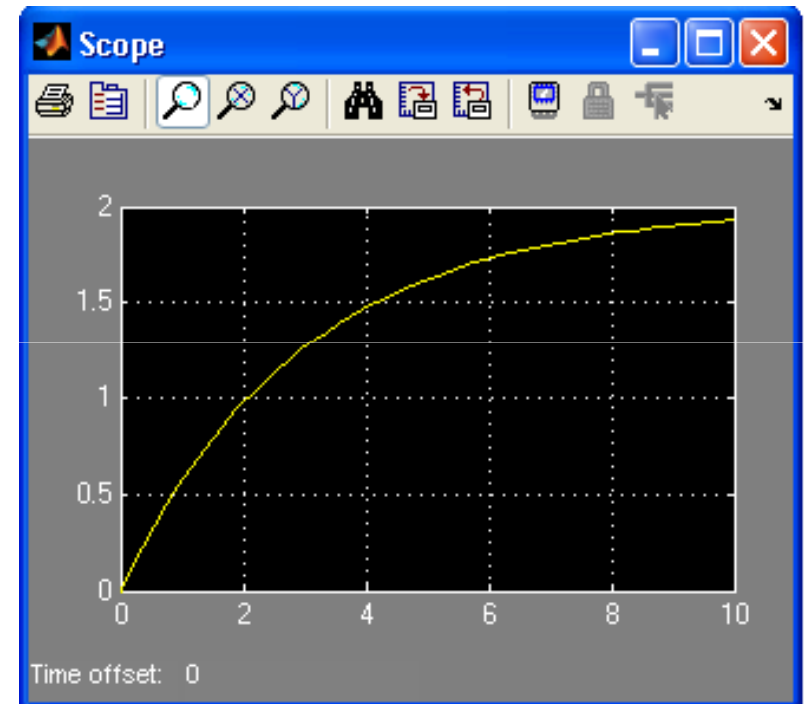
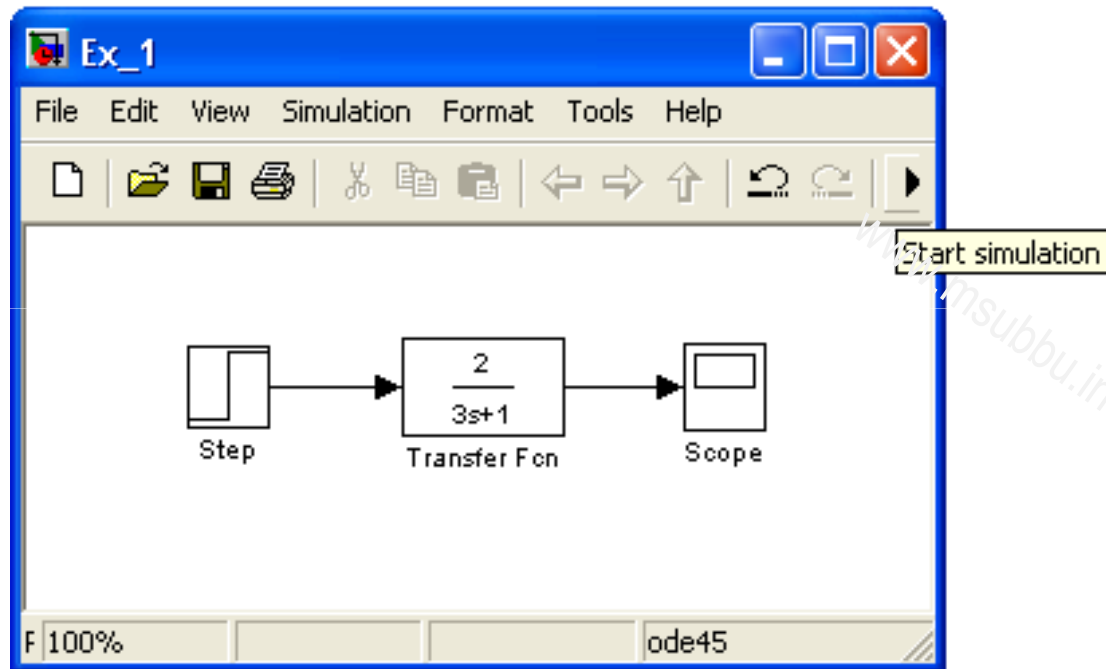
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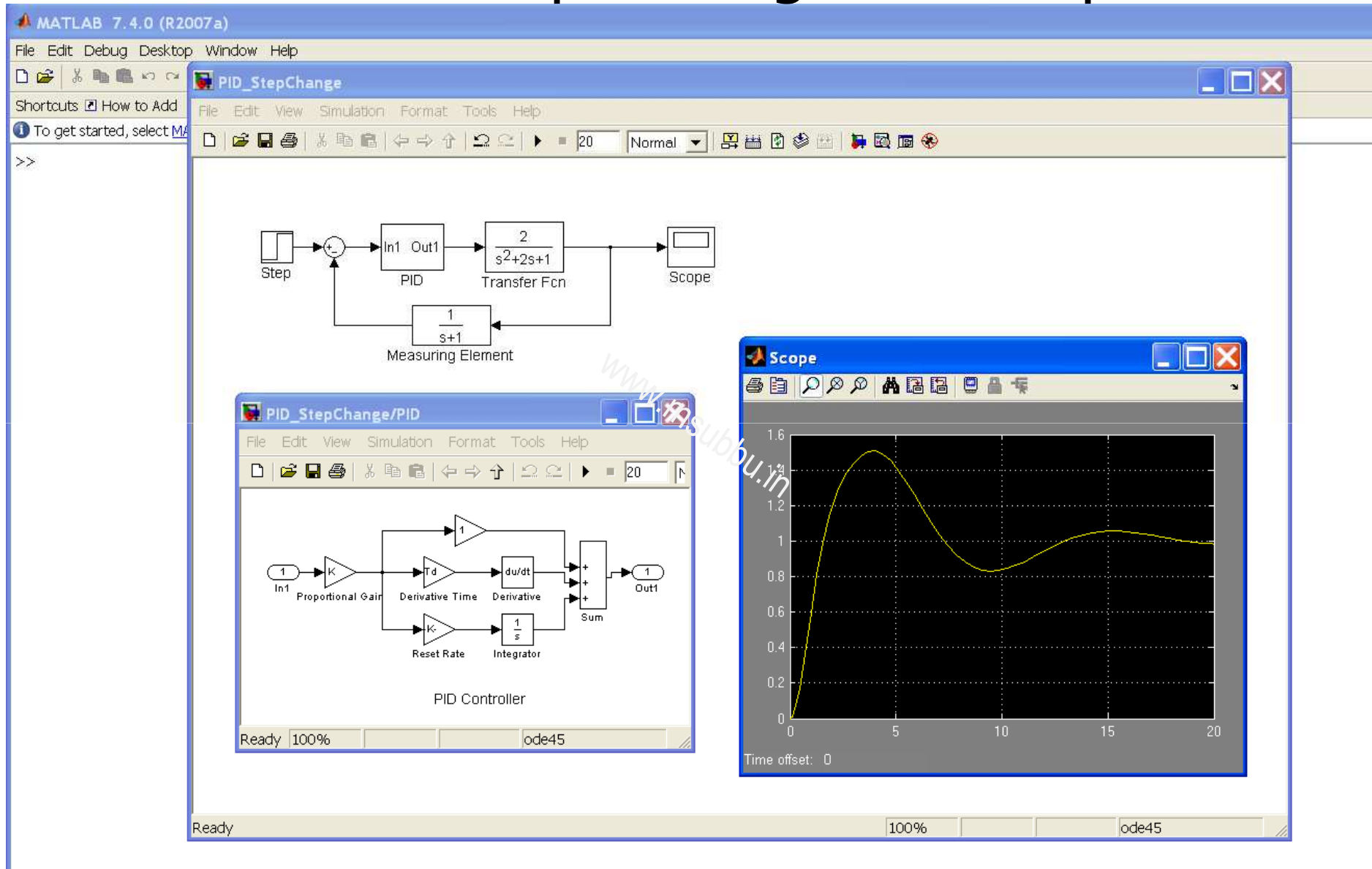
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Running the Simulation



PID with Step Change in Set-point

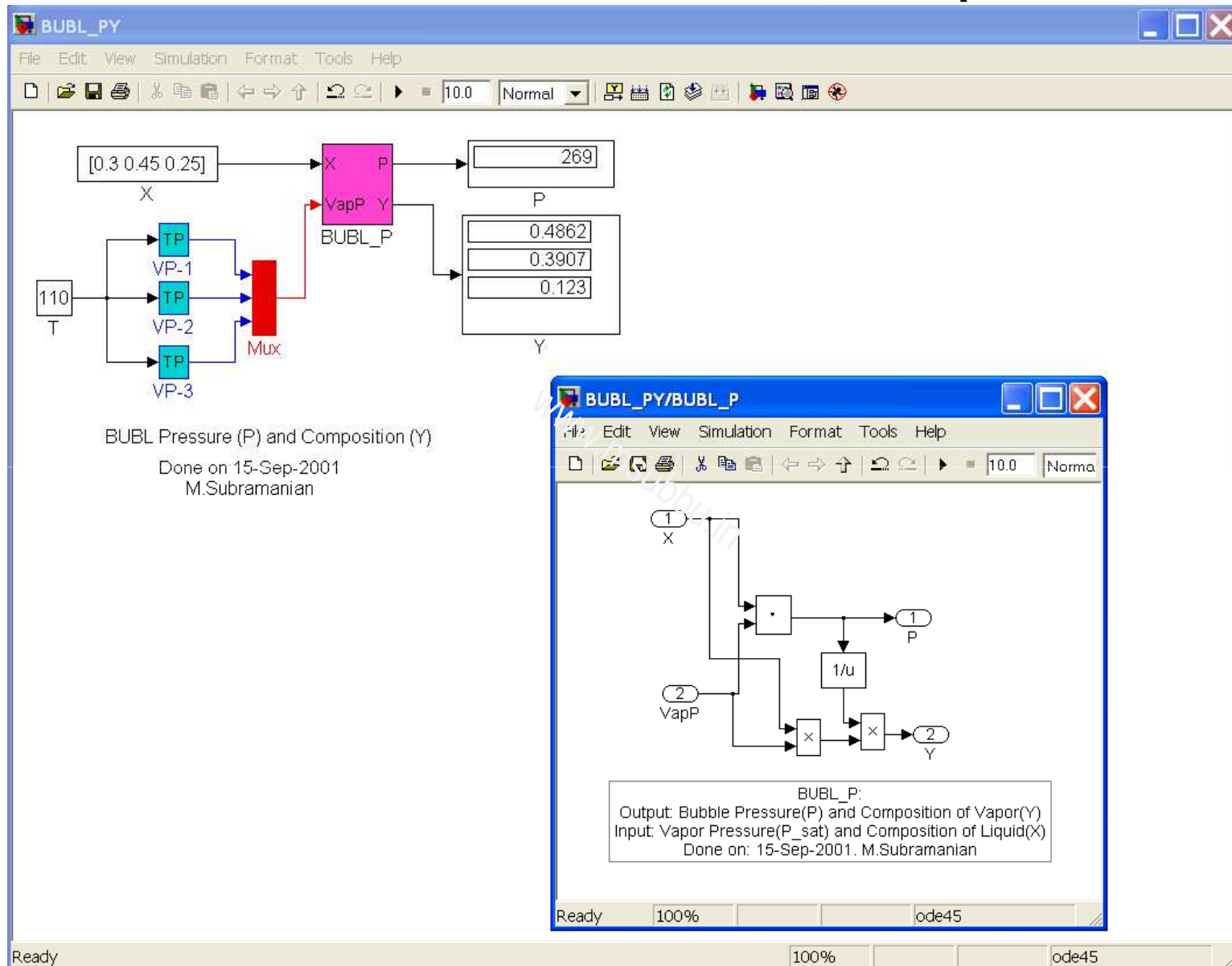


Vapor Pressure from Antoine Equation

The image displays a MATLAB/Simulink environment with three windows:

- VapPress (Main Window):** Shows a Simulink model where a Constant block (value 80) is connected to a VaporPressure block, which is then connected to a Display block showing the value 195.7.
- Function Block Parameters: VaporPressure:** A dialog box with the following details:
 - Subsystem (mask): Vapor Pressure(P) from Antoine Equation Constants (A, B, C) and Temperature(T)
 - Parameters:
 - A: 14.5463
 - B: 2940.46
 - C: 237.22
- VapPress/VaporPressure (Subsystem Window):** Shows the internal structure of the VaporPressure block:
 - Inputs: A block containing constants (A, B, C) and a block containing temperature (T).
 - Process: A Mux block followed by an AntoineEquation block.
 - Output: A block containing the calculated vapor pressure (P).
- Function Block Parameters: AntoineEquation:** A dialog box with the following details:
 - Fcn: General expression block. Use "u" as the input variable name. Example: $\sin(u[1]) * \exp(2.3 * -u[2])$
 - Parameters:
 - Expression: $\exp(u[1] - u[2] / (u[3] + u[4]))$
 - Sample time (-1 for inherited): -1

Bubble Pressure and Composition



Thank You!

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