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# Talbot suggested that the Bromwich line be deformed into a contour that begins
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    # and ends in the left half plane, i.e., z ? -8 at both ends.
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    # Due to the exponential factor the integrand decays rapidly
    # on such a contour. In such situations the trapezoidal rule converge
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    # extraordinarily rapidly.
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    # For example here we compute the inverse transform of F(s) = 1/(s+1) at t = 1
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    #>> pkg load symbolic
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    #>> syms s
    \#>> F=1/(s+1)
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    \#F = (sym)
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        1
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    # s + 1
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    #>> error=talbot(function_handle(F),1,24)-exp(-1)
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    \#ans = 1.6098e-015
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    # Talbot method is very powerful here we see an error of 1.61e-015
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    # with only 24 function evaluations
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    # Reference
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    function ilt = talbot(f_s, t, N)
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    h=2*pi/N;
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       Shift contour to the right in case there is a pole on the positive real axis
     : Note the contour will
     # not be optimal since it was originally devoloped for function with
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        singularities on the negative real axis
       For example take F(s) = 1/(s-1), it has a pole at s = 1, the contour needs
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    to be shifted with one
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    # unit, i.e shift = 1. But in the test example no shifting is necessary
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     shift=0;
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     ans=0;
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     for k=0:N
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       theta=-pi+(k+1/2)*h;
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        z=shift+N/t*(0.5017*theta*cot(0.6407*theta)-0.6122+0.2645i*theta);
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     dz=N/t*(-0.5017*0.6407*theta/sin(0.6407*theta)^2+0.5017*cot(0.6407*theta)+0.2645i)
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       ans=ans+exp(z*t)*f_s(z)*dz;
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       ilt=real((h/(2i*pi))*ans);
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     endfunction
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