#### **Frequency Response Analysis**

# Continuous Time





(Cascade Connection of Lowpass and Highpass)

Frequency response magnitudes of the filters on the previous slide



Bandstop Filter  $H(s) = \frac{s^2 + 2\omega_{cb}s + \omega_{ca}\omega_{cb}}{s^2 + (\omega_{ca} + \omega_{cb})s + \omega_{ca}\omega_{cb}}$  $H(j\omega) = \frac{(j\omega)^2 + j2\omega\omega_{cb} + \omega_{ca}\omega_{cb}}{(j\omega)^2 + j\omega(\omega_{ca} + \omega_{cb}) + \omega_{ca}\omega_{cb}}$ 



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A **biquadratic** filter can be realized as a second-order system. Adjusting the parameter  $\beta$  changes the nature of the frequency response. It can emphasize or de-emphasize frequencies near its center frequency.



A bank of cascaded biquadratic filters can be used as a graphic equalizer



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#### Ideal Filters

- **Filters** separate what is desired from what is not desired
- In the signals and systems context a filter separates signals in one frequency range from signals in another frequency range
- An **ideal filter** passes all signal power in its **passband** without distortion and completely blocks signal power outside its passband

# Distortion

- **Distortion** is construed in signal analysis to mean "changing the shape" of a signal
- Multiplication of a signal by a constant (even a negative one) or shifting it in time do not change its shape



# Distortion

Since a system can multiply by a constant or shift in time without distortion, a **distortionless system** would have an impulse response of the form  $|\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r})|$ 

$$\mathbf{h}(t) = A\delta(t-t_0)$$

The corresponding frequency response is

$$\mathrm{H}(f) = A e^{-j2\pi f t_0}$$



#### Filter Classifications

There are four commonly-used classification of filters, **lowpass**, **highpass**, **bandpass** and **bandstop**.



#### Filter Classifications



#### Bandwidth

- **Bandwidth** generally means "a range of frequencies"
- This range could be the range of frequencies a filter passes or the range of frequencies present in a signal
- Bandwidth is traditionally construed to be range of frequencies in **positive** frequency space

#### Bandwidth

#### **Common Bandwidth Definitions**



### Impulse Responses of Ideal Filters



# Impulse Response and Causality

- All the impulse responses of ideal filters contain sinc functions, alone or in combinations, which are infinite in extent
- Therefore all ideal-filter impulse responses begin before time *t* = 0
- This makes ideal filters **non-causal**
- Ideal filters cannot be physically realized, but they can be closely approximated



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#### The Power Spectrum



### Noise Removal

A very common use of filters is to remove **noise** from a signal. If the noise bandwidth is much greater than the signal bandwidth a large improvement in signal fidelity is possible.



### The Decibel

The **bel** (**B**)(named in honor of Alexander Graham Bell) is defined as the common logarithm (base 10) of a power ratio. So if the excitation of a system is X and the response is Y, the power gain of the system is  $P_Y / P_X$ . Expressed in bels that would be

$$(P_{\rm Y} / P_{\rm X})_{\rm B} = \log_{10} (P_{\rm Y} / P_{\rm X}) = \log_{10} (Y^2 / X^2) = 2\log_{10} (Y / X)$$

Since the prefix deci means one-tenth, that same power ratio expressed in **decibels** (**dB**)would be

$$(P_{\rm Y} / P_{\rm X})_{\rm dB} = 10 \log_{10} (P_{\rm Y} / P_{\rm X}) = 20 \log_{10} (Y / X)$$

#### The Decibel

If a frequency response magnitude is the magnitude of the ratio of a system response to a system excitation

$$\mathbf{H}(j\omega) = \left| \frac{\mathbf{Y}(j\omega)}{\mathbf{X}(j\omega)} \right|$$

then that magnitude ratio, expressed in decibels, is

$$\left| \mathrm{H}(j\omega) \right|_{\mathrm{dB}} = 20 \log_{10} \left| \mathrm{H}(j\omega) \right| = 20 \log_{10} \left| \frac{\mathrm{Y}(j\omega)}{\mathrm{X}(j\omega)} \right| = \left| \mathrm{Y}(j\omega) \right|_{\mathrm{dB}} - \left| \mathrm{X}(j\omega) \right|_{\mathrm{dB}}$$

# Log-Magnitude Frequency-Response Plots

Consider the two (different) transfer functions,



When plotted on this scale, these magnitude frequency response plots are indistinguishable.

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# Log-Magnitude Frequency-Response Plots

When the magnitude frequency responses are plotted on a **logarithmic scale** (in dB) the difference is visible.



A magnitude-frequency-response Bode diagram is a graph of



Continuous-time LTI systems are described by equations of the general form,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N} a_k \frac{d^k}{dt^k} \mathbf{y}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{M} b_k \frac{d^k}{dt^k} \mathbf{x}(t)$$

The corresonding transfer function is

$$H(s) = \frac{b_M s^M + b_{M-1} s^{M-1} + \dots + b_1 s + b_0}{a_N s^N + a_{N-1} s^{N-1} + \dots + a_1 s + b_0}$$

The transfer function can be written in the form

$$H(s) = A \frac{(1 - s / z_1)(1 - s / z_2) \cdots (1 - s / z_M)}{(1 - s / p_1)(1 - s / p_2) \cdots (1 - s / p_N)}$$

where the z's are the values of s at which the frequency response goes to zero and the p's are the values of s at which the frequency response goes to infinity. These z's and p's are commonly referred to as the zeros and poles of the system. The frequency response is

$$H(j\omega) = A \frac{(1 - j\omega / z_1)(1 - j\omega / z_2)\cdots(1 - j\omega / z_M)}{(1 - j\omega / p_1)(1 - j\omega / p_2)\cdots(1 - j\omega / p_N)}$$

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From the factored form of the frequency response a system can be conceived as the cascade of simple systems, each of which has only one numerator factor or one denominator factor. Since the Bode diagram is logarithmic, multiplied frequency responses add when expressed in dB.



System Bode diagrams are formed by adding the Bode diagrams of the simple systems which are in cascade. Each simple-system diagram is called a **component diagram**.



**One Real Pole** $H(j\omega) = \frac{1}{1 - j\omega / p_k}$ 

















# Bode Diagrams $H(j\omega) = \left(1 - \frac{j\omega}{z_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{j\omega}{z_2}\right) = 1 - j\omega \frac{2\operatorname{Re}(z_1)}{|z_1|^2} + \frac{(j\omega)^2}{|z_1|^2}$



Complex

**Zero Pair** 

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# Practical Active Filters Operational Amplifiers

The ideal operational amplifier has infinite input impedance, zero output impedance, infinite gain and infinite bandwidth.



# Practical Active Filters Active Integrator





# Practical Active Filters Lowpass Filter

An integrator with feedback is a lowpass filter.



# Discrete Time

# Distortion

• **Distortion** means the same thing for discrete-time signals as it does for continuous-time signals, changing the shape of a signal



### Distortion

A distortionless system would have an impulse response of the form,

$$h[n] = A\delta[n - n_0]$$
  
The corresponding  
transfer function is  
$$H(e^{j\Omega}) = Ae^{-j\Omega n_0}$$





#### Filter Classifications





#### Impulse Responses of Ideal Filters



# Impulse Response and Causality

• Discrete-time ideal filters are **non-causal** for the same reason that continuous-time ideal filters are non-causal









### Two-Dimensional Filtering of Images



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	Causal Lowpass Filtering of Rows and Columns in an Image	
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Comparison of a discrete-time lowpass filter impulse response with an *RC* passive lowpass filter impulse response





*RC* Lowpass Filter Frequency Response





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#### Almost-Ideal Lowpass Filter Magnitude Frequency Response in dB

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# Advantages of Discrete-Time Filters

- They are almost insensitive to environmental effects
- Continuous-time filters at low frequencies may require very large components, discrete-time filters do not
- Discrete-time filters are often **programmable** making them easy to modify
- Discrete-time signals can be stored indefinitely on magnetic media, stored continuous-time signals degrade over time
- Discrete-time filters can handle multiple signals by **multiplexing** them