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The analog Butterworth filter (Appendix B.1 of O&S)

This following analog system has a *monotonically decreasing* 嚴格遞減 magnitude response,

$$H(s) = \frac{\Omega_c^N}{\prod_{k=1}^N \left(s - \Omega_c e^{j(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2N})} e^{j\frac{k\pi}{N}} \right)} \quad (1)$$

This is an N th order Butterworth filter, and its gain at $\Omega = 0$ is $H(j0) = 1$. In fact, its magnitude response is

$$|H(j\Omega)|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + (\Omega/\Omega_c)^{2N}} \quad (2)$$

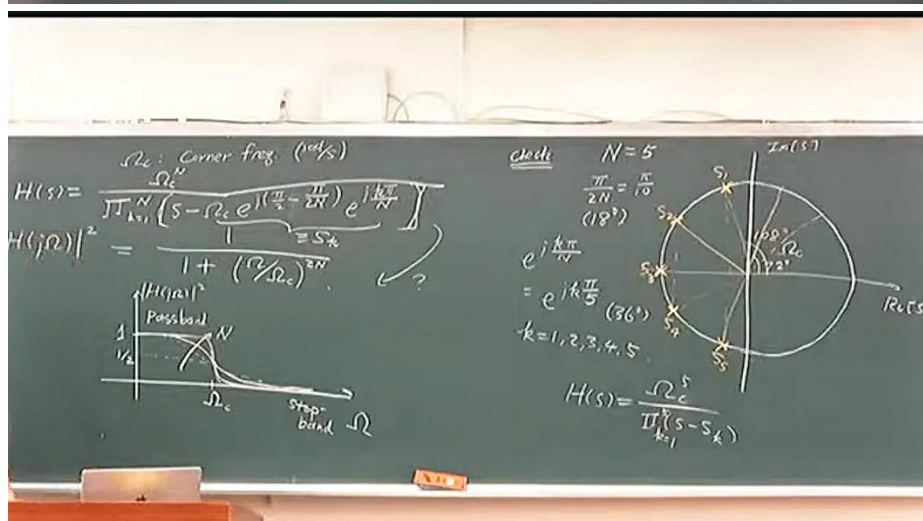
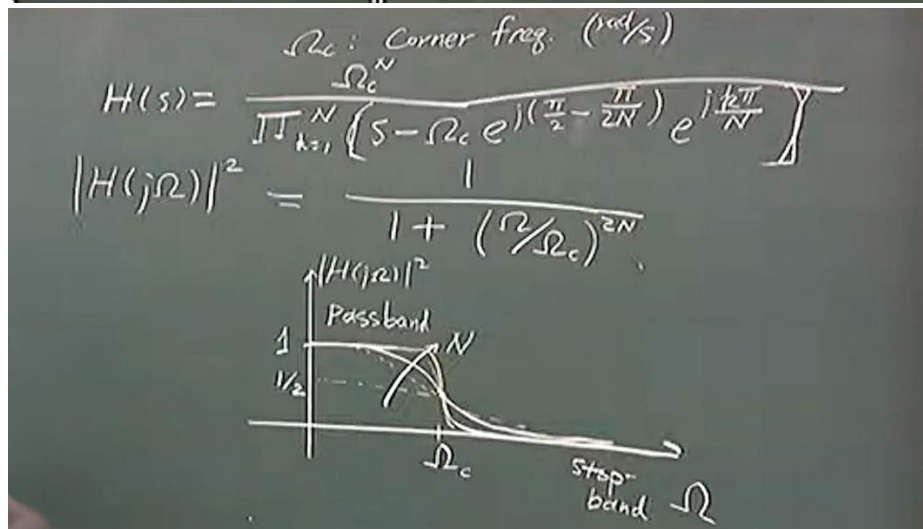
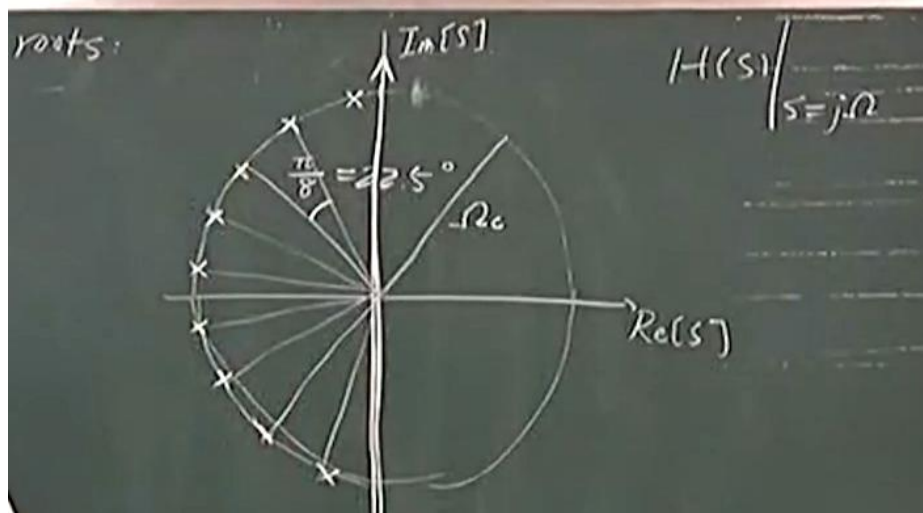
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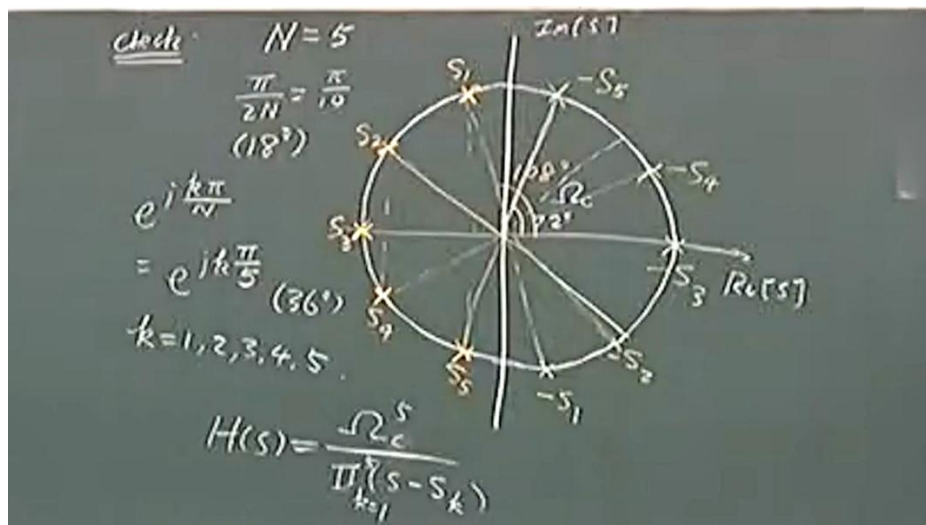
$$H(-s) = \frac{\Omega_c^N}{\prod_{k=1}^N \left(-s - \Omega_c e^{j(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2N})} e^{j\frac{k\pi}{N}} \right)} = \frac{\Omega_c^N}{(-1)^N \prod_{k=1}^N \left(s + \Omega_c e^{j(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2N})} e^{j\frac{k\pi}{N}} \right)}$$

$H(s)H(-s) = \dots$

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$$H(-s) = \frac{\Omega_c^5}{\prod_{k=1}^5 (-s - s_k)} = \frac{\Omega_c^5}{(-1)^5 \prod_{k=1}^5 (s + s_k)}$$

$$\boxed{H(s)H(-s)} = \frac{\Omega_c^{10}}{(-1)^5 \prod_{k=1}^5 (s - s_k)(s + s_k)} \quad (A)$$

Evaluate (A) at $s = j\Omega$

$$H(j\Omega)H(-j\Omega) = \frac{\Omega_c^{10}}{(-1)^5 (j\Omega^2 - \Omega_c^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(-1)^5 (-1 + j\Omega^2/\Omega_c^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{j\Omega}{\Omega_c}\right)^2}$$

Note: $H(-j\Omega) = H^*(j\Omega)$

$$= H(j\Omega)H(-j\Omega)$$

$$= H(j\Omega)H^*(j\Omega) = |H(j\Omega)|^2$$

Exercise: Generalized to $\forall N \in \mathbb{N}$.





Next:

$$S(z) = \frac{2}{T_d} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}$$

Bilinear Transformation

Suggest:

$$G(z) = H(s(z))$$

Diagram showing the mapping from the s-plane to the z-plane.

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Extended Reading Materials

Motivation

Eqs. (1) and (2) inspire us to ask: Can we create a discrete-time version of Butterworth filter, with a cut-off frequency and an adjustable roll-off rate, and so on? A systematic answer is the following transformation:

$$s(z) = \frac{2}{T_d} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}, \quad (3)$$

where T_d is an adjustable parameter. Then, we can substitute Eq. (3) into Eq. (1) and obtain a discrete-time version of the Butterworth filter; that is,

$$G(z) := H(s(z)) \quad (4)$$

Exercise: Calculate the inverse function of Eq. (3); i.e., express z as a function of s .

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$$s = \frac{2}{T_d} \left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} \right)$$

$$\frac{T_d s}{2} = \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} \Rightarrow \frac{T_d s}{2} (1+z^{-1}) = 1-z^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow z^{-1} \left(1 + \frac{T_d s}{2} \right) = 1 - \frac{T_d s}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{1 + \frac{T_d s}{2}}{1 - \frac{T_d s}{2}}$$

Diagram showing the mapping from the s-plane to the z-plane.





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Example: $N = 3$

Let's take the third-order Butterworth as an example.

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(z) &= H(s(z)) \\
 &= \frac{\Omega_c^3}{\prod_{k=1}^3 \left(\frac{2}{T_d} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} - \Omega_c e^{j(\frac{\pi}{2}-\frac{\pi}{6})} e^{j\frac{k\pi}{3}} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\Omega_c^3}{\left(\frac{2}{T_d} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} + \Omega_c \right) \left[\left(\frac{2}{T_d} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} \right)^2 + \Omega_c \left(\frac{2}{T_d} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} \right) + \Omega_c^2 \right]} \\
 &= \dots \\
 &= \frac{B(z)}{A(z)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\times (1+z^{-1})^3 \Omega_c^3 \\
 &\frac{\Omega_c^3}{\left(\frac{2}{T_d} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} + \Omega_c \right) \left[\left(\frac{2}{T_d} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} \right)^2 + \Omega_c \left(\frac{2}{T_d} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}} \right) + \Omega_c^2 \right]} \\
 &= \frac{B(z)}{A(z)} \quad \begin{aligned} B(z) &= \Omega_c^3 (1+z^{-1})^3 \\ A(z) &= \left(\frac{2}{T_d} (1+z^{-1}) + \Omega_c (1+z^{-1}) \right) \left(\left(\frac{2}{T_d} (1+z^{-1}) \right)^2 + \Omega_c \left(\frac{2}{T_d} (1+z^{-1}) \right) + \Omega_c^2 (1+z^{-1})^2 \right) \end{aligned} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

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Properties of the bilinear transformation

- It maps the imaginary axis $s = j\Omega$ to the unit circle $z = e^{j\omega}$. We have

$$\Omega = \frac{2}{T_d} \tan \frac{\omega}{2}.$$
- It is a one-to-one mapping between the left half of s -plane ($\text{Re}(s) < 0$) and the inside of the unit circle on the z -plane ($|z| < 1$).
- In general, Eq. (1) is analytic and therefore a *conformal mapping* 保角變換.
- Every pole s_p of $H(s)$ corresponds to a pole of $G(z)$ at $z_p = \frac{1 + \frac{T_d}{2} s_p}{1 - \frac{T_d}{2} s_p}$. Therefore, stability is preserved after bilinear transformation.
- $B(z)$ contains a factor of $(1 + z^{-1})^N$.

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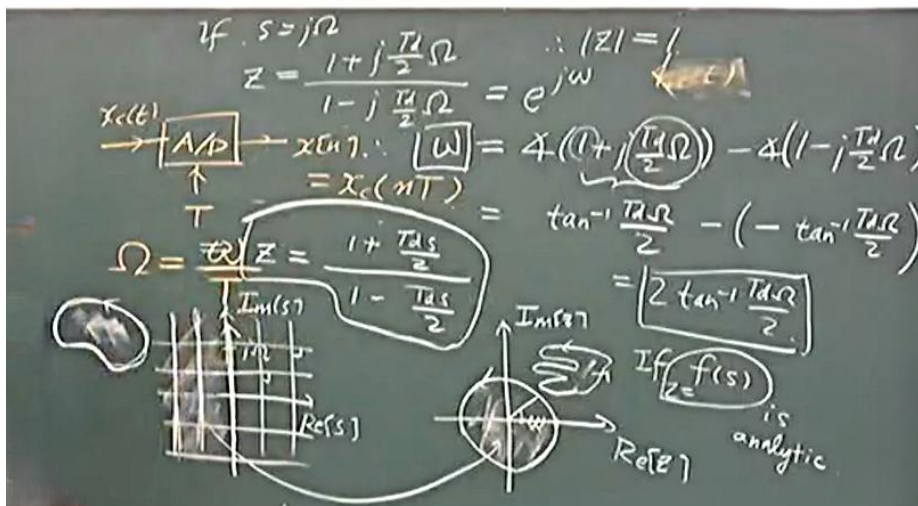
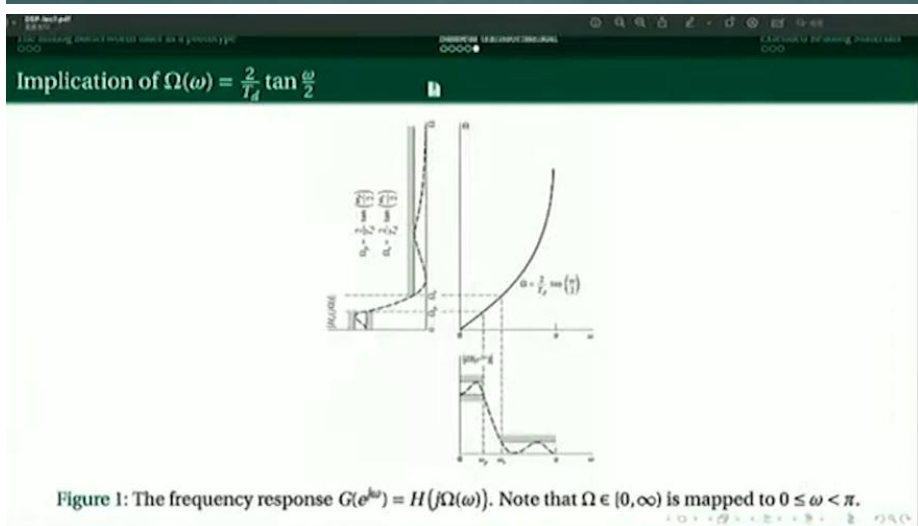
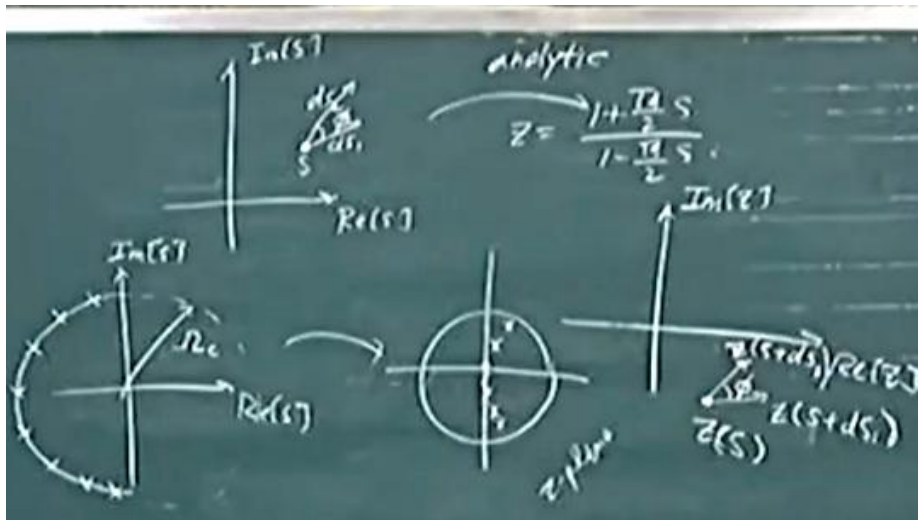
If $s = j\Omega$ $\therefore |z| = 1$
$$z = \frac{1 + j\frac{T_d}{2}\Omega}{1 - j\frac{T_d}{2}\Omega} = e^{j\omega}$$
$$\therefore [\omega] = \angle(1 + j\frac{T_d}{2}\Omega) - \angle(1 - j\frac{T_d}{2}\Omega)$$
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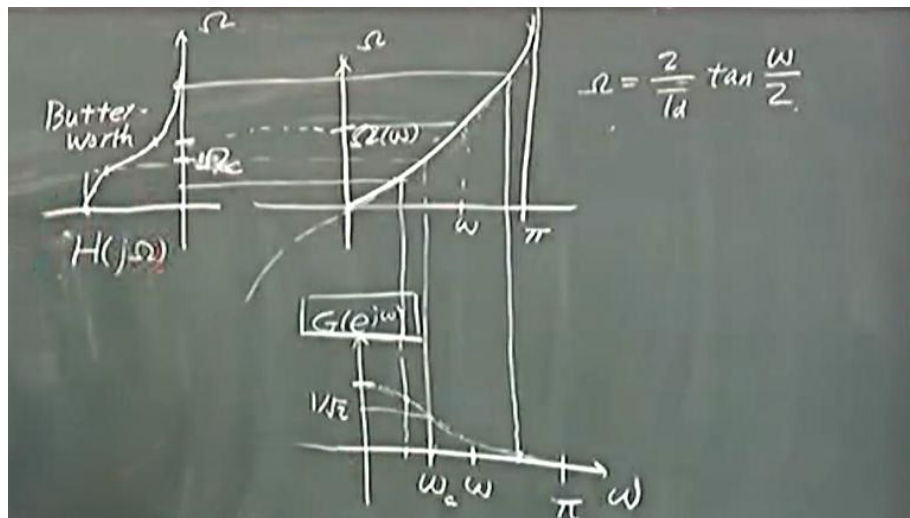
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If $f(s)$ is analytic







History of the Butterworth filter (Source: Wikipedia)

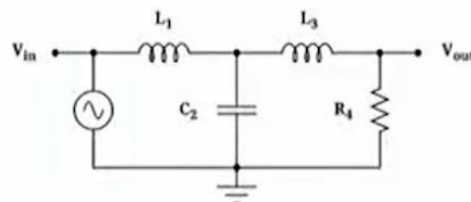


Figure 2: An implementation of the 3rd-order Butterworth filter. The filter becomes a Butterworth filter with cutoff frequency $\Omega_c = 1$ rad/s when $C_2 = 4/3$ F, $R_4 = 1 \Omega$, $L_1 = 3/2$ H and $L_3 = 1/2$ H. Stephen Butterworth (1885-1958) was a British engineer and physicist.

