

# Fourier Series

## EE3900: Linear Systems and Signal Processing

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#### 1. PERIODIC FUNCTION

Let

$$x(t) = A_0 |\sin(2\pi f_0 t)| \quad (1.1)$$

##### 1.1 Plot $x(t)$

**Solution:** Download the following Python code that plots Fig. 1.1.

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```

Run the code by executing

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python 1.1.py
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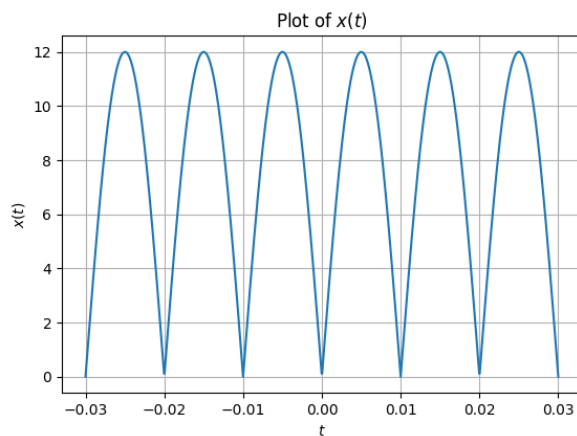


Fig. 1.1. Plot of  $x(t)$

##### 1.2 Show that $x(t)$ is periodic and find its period

**Solution:** Since  $x(t)$  is the absolute value of a sinusoidal function, it is periodic, which is also evident from the plot

Consider  $x(t + \frac{1}{2f_0})$

$$x\left(t + \frac{1}{2f_0}\right) = A_0 \left| \sin\left(2\pi f_0 \left(t + \frac{1}{2f_0}\right)\right) \right| \quad (1.2)$$

$$= A_0 |\sin(2\pi f_0 t + \pi f_0)| \quad (1.3)$$

$$= A_0 |(-1)^{f_0} \sin(2\pi f_0 t)| \quad (1.4)$$

$$= A_0 |\sin(2\pi f_0 t)| \quad (1.5)$$

$$= x(t) \quad (1.6)$$

Therefore,  $x(t)$  is periodic with period  $\frac{1}{2f_0}$

#### 2. FOURIER SERIES

Consider  $A_0 = 12$  and  $f_0 = 50$  for all numerical calculations

##### 2.1 If

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \quad (2.1)$$

show that

$$c_k = f_0 \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} x(t) e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt \quad (2.2)$$

**Solution:**

$$x(t) e^{-j2\pi n f_0 t} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{-j2\pi(n-k)f_0 t} \quad (2.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} x(t) e^{-j2\pi n f_0 t} dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} e^{-j2\pi(n-k)f_0 t} dt \quad (2.4)$$

But

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} e^{-j2\pi(n-k)f_0 t} dt = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{f_0} & k = n \\ 0 & k \neq n \end{cases} \quad (2.5)$$

$$= \frac{1}{f_0} \delta(n - k) \quad (2.6)$$

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} e^{-j2\pi(n-k)f_0 t} dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \frac{1}{f_0} \delta(n-k) \quad (2.7)$$

$$= \frac{1}{f_0} c_n * \delta(n) \quad (2.8)$$

$$= \frac{1}{f_0} c_n \quad (2.9)$$

Therefore

$$c_k = f_0 \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} x(t) e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt \quad (2.10)$$

2.2 Find  $c_k$  for (1.1)

**Solution:**

$$c_k = f_0 \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} A_0 |\sin(2\pi f_0 t)| e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt \quad (2.11)$$

$$c_k = f_0 \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^0 A_0 (-\sin(2\pi f_0 t)) e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt \\ + f_0 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} A_0 (\sin(2\pi f_0 t)) e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt \quad (2.12)$$

$$c_k = f_0 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} A_0 \sin(2\pi f_0 u) e^{j2\pi k f_0 u} du \\ + f_0 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} A_0 \sin(2\pi f_0 t) e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt \quad (2.13)$$

$$c_k = f_0 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} A_0 \sin(2\pi f_0 t) (e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} + e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t}) dt \quad (2.14)$$

$$= f_0 A_0 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} 2 \sin(2\pi f_0 t) \cos(2\pi k f_0 t) dt \quad (2.15)$$

$$= f_0 A_0 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} \{\sin(2\pi(1+k)f_0 t) + \sin(2\pi(1-k)f_0 t)\} dt \quad (2.16)$$

$$= f_0 A_0 \left[ -\frac{\cos(2\pi(1+k)f_0 t)}{2\pi(1+k)f_0} - \frac{\cos(2\pi(1-k)f_0 t)}{2\pi(1-k)f_0} \right]_0^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} \quad (2.17)$$

$$= \frac{f_0 A_0}{2\pi f_0} \left[ \frac{1 - (-1)^{1+k}}{1+k} + \frac{1 - (-1)^{1-k}}{1-k} \right] \quad (2.18)$$

$$= (1 + (-1)^k) \frac{A_0}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{1+k} + \frac{1}{1-k} \right] \quad (2.19)$$

$$= (1 + (-1)^k) \frac{A_0}{\pi(1-k^2)} \quad (2.20)$$

Therefore

$$c_k = \begin{cases} \frac{2A_0}{\pi(1-k^2)} & k \text{ is even} \\ 0 & k \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \quad (2.21)$$

2.3 Verify (1.1) using Python

**Solution:** Download the following Python code that plots Fig. 3.8.

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Run the code by executing

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python 2.3.py
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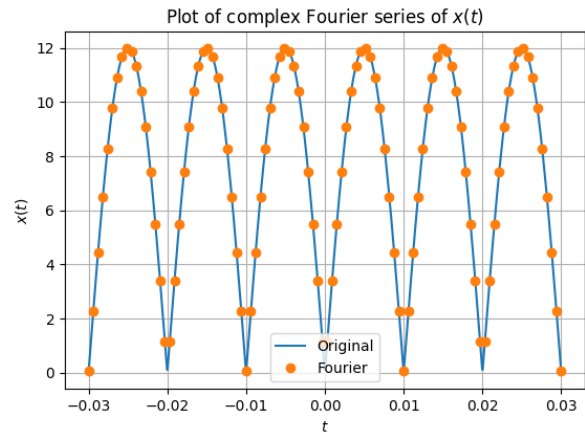


Fig. 2.3. Plot of  $x(t)$  along with its complex Fourier series expansion

2.4 Show that

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (a_k \cos(2\pi k f_0 t) + b_k \sin(2\pi k f_0 t)) \quad (2.22)$$

and obtain the formulae for  $a_k$  and  $b_k$

**Solution:**

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \quad (2.23)$$

$$= c_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} + c_{-k} e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} \quad (2.24)$$

Thus

$$x(t) = c_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (c_k + c_{-k}) \cos(2\pi k f_0 t) \\ + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} j(c_k - c_{-k}) \sin(2\pi k f_0 t) \quad (2.25)$$

Therefore

$$a_k = \begin{cases} c_0 & k = 0 \\ c_k + c_{-k} & k > 0 \end{cases} \quad (2.26)$$

$$b_k = j(c_k - c_{-k}) \quad k \geq 0 \quad (2.27)$$

2.5 Find  $a_k$  and  $b_k$  for (1.1)

**Solution:**

$$a_0 = c_0 = \frac{2A_0}{\pi} \quad (2.28)$$

For  $k > 0$ , if  $k$  is odd

$$a_k = 0 + 0 = 0 \quad (2.29)$$

and if  $k$  is even

$$a_k = \frac{2A_0}{\pi(1-k^2)} + \frac{2A_0}{\pi(1-k^2)} = \frac{4A_0}{\pi(1-k^2)} \quad (2.30)$$

For odd or even  $k$ ,  $c_k = c_{-k}$  always

$$b_k = 0 \quad \forall k \geq 0 \quad (2.31)$$

Therefore

$$a_k = \begin{cases} \frac{2A_0}{\pi} & k = 0 \\ \frac{4A_0}{\pi(1-k^2)} & k = 2m, m \in \mathbb{N} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (2.32)$$

$$b_k = 0 \quad k \geq 0 \quad (2.33)$$

2.6 Verify (2.22) using Python

**Solution:** Download the following Python code that plots Fig. 2.6.

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Run the code by executing

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python 2.6.py
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### 3. FOURIER TRANSFORM

3.1

$$\delta(t) = 0 \quad t \neq 0 \quad (3.1)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) dt = 1 \quad (3.2)$$

3.2 The Fourier Transform of  $g(t)$  is

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \quad (3.3)$$

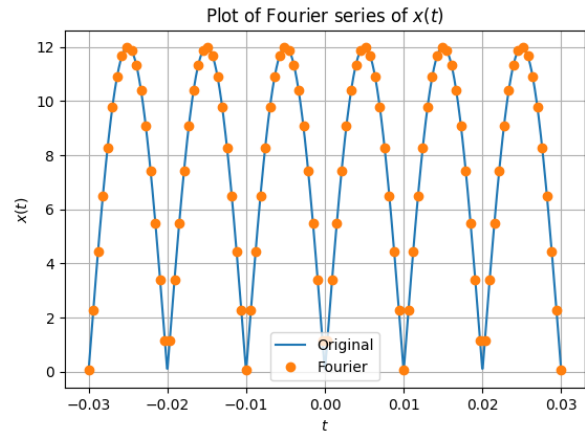


Fig. 2.6. Plot of  $x(t)$  along with its Fourier series expansion

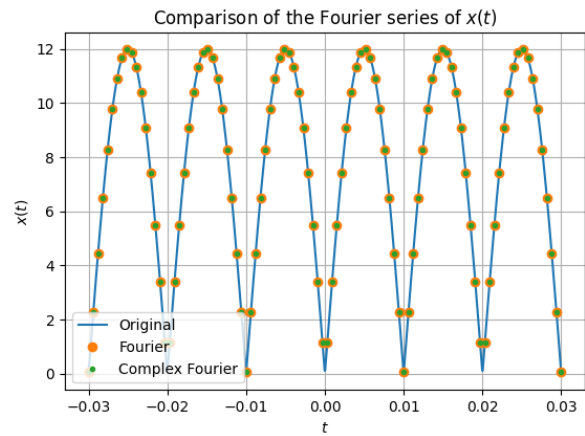


Fig. 2.6. Comparison of the Fourier series of  $x(t)$

3.3 Show that

$$g(t - t_0) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} G(f) e^{-j2\pi f t_0} \quad (3.4)$$

**Solution:**

$$g(t - t_0) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t - t_0) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt \quad (3.5)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u) e^{-j2\pi f(u+t_0)} du \quad (3.6)$$

$$= e^{-j2\pi f t_0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u) e^{-j2\pi f u} du \quad (3.7)$$

$$= G(f) e^{-j2\pi f t_0} \quad (3.8)$$

3.4 Show that

$$G(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} g(-f) \quad (3.9)$$

**Solution:**

$$G(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt \quad (3.10)$$

But

$$g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(f) e^{j2\pi f t} df \quad (3.11)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(u) e^{j2\pi u t} du \quad (3.12)$$

$$\Rightarrow g(-f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(u) e^{-j2\pi u f} du \quad (3.13)$$

$$= \mathcal{F}\{G(t)\} \quad (3.14)$$

3.5 Find the Fourier transform of  $\delta(t)$

**Solution:**

$$\delta(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt \quad (3.15)$$

$$= e^{-j2\pi f t} \Big|_{t=0} \quad (3.16)$$

$$= 1 \quad (3.17)$$

3.6 Find the Fourier transform of  $e^{-j2\pi f_0 t}$

**Solution:**

$$\delta(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} 1 \quad (3.18)$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta(t - f_0) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} e^{-j2\pi f f_0} \quad (3.19)$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-j2\pi t f_0} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \delta(-f - f_0) \quad (3.20)$$

$$\therefore e^{-j2\pi t f_0} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \delta(f + f_0) \quad (3.21)$$

3.7 Find the Fourier transform of  $\cos(2\pi f_0 t)$

**Solution:**

$$\cos(2\pi f_0 t) = \frac{e^{j2\pi f_0 t} + e^{-j2\pi f_0 t}}{2} \quad (3.22)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(2\pi f_0 t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \frac{\delta(f - f_0) + \delta(f + f_0)}{2} \quad (3.23)$$

3.8 Find the Fourier transform of  $x(t)$  and plot it. Verify using Python

**Solution:**

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \quad (3.24)$$

$$\mathcal{F}\{x(t)\} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \mathcal{F}\{e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}\} \quad (3.25)$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \delta(f - k f_0) \quad (3.26)$$

$$= \frac{2A_0}{\pi} \sum_{k \text{ is even}} \frac{\delta(f - k f_0)}{1 - k^2} \quad (3.27)$$

Download the following Python code that plots Fig. ??.

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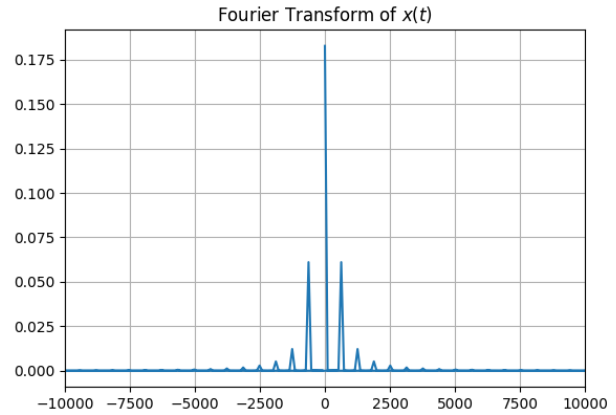


Fig. 3.8. Plot of the Fourier transform of  $x(t)$

3.9 Show that

$$\text{rect}(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \text{sinc}(f) \quad (3.28)$$

Verify using Python

**Solution:**

$$\text{rect}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & |t| \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (3.29)$$

Its Fourier transform is given by

$$\text{rect}(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{rect}(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt \quad (3.30)$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-j2\pi f t} dt \quad (3.31)$$

$$= \frac{e^{-j\pi f} - e^{j\pi f}}{-j2\pi f} \quad (3.32)$$

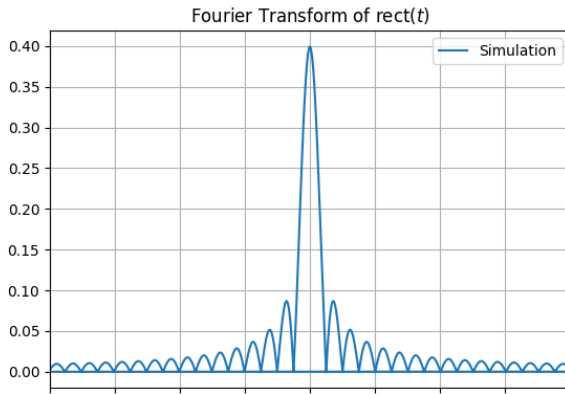
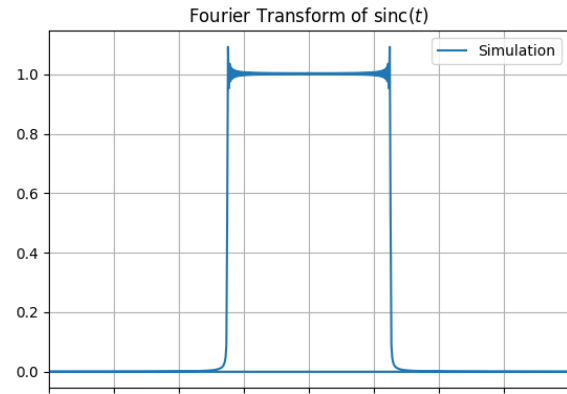
$$= \frac{\sin \pi f}{\pi f} \quad (3.33)$$

$$= \text{sinc}(f) \quad (3.34)$$

Download the following Python code that plots Fig. 3.9.

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Run the code by executing

Fig. 3.9. Plot of the Fourier transform of  $\text{rect}(t)$ Fig. 3.10. Plot of the Fourier transform of  $\text{sinc}(t)$ 

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python 3.9.py
```

3.10 Find the Fourier transform of  $\text{sinc}(t)$ . Verify using Python

**Solution:**

$$\text{rect}(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \text{sinc}(f) \quad (3.35)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{sinc}(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \text{rect}(-f) \quad (3.36)$$

$$= \text{rect}(f) \quad (3.37)$$

Download the following Python code that plots Fig. 3.10.

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Run the code by executing

```
python 3.10.py
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#### 4. FILTER

4.1 Find  $H(f)$  which transforms  $x(t)$  to DC 5 V

**Solution:** Since we want a DC output, the filter we need is a low-pass filter that only lets the zero frequency component pass through, i.e., the amplitude of a frequency components with a frequency higher than the cutoff frequency  $f_c$  has to be zero

We can use a rectangular filter for this purpose

$$H(f) = k \text{rect}\left(\frac{f}{2f_c}\right) = \begin{cases} k & |f| \leq f_c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (4.1)$$

Now

$$H(0) = \frac{Y(0)}{X(0)} \quad (4.2)$$

where  $Y(k)$  and  $X(k)$  are the Fourier transforms of the output 5 V DC and the input signal respectively

$$k = \frac{5}{\frac{2A_0}{\pi}} = \frac{5\pi}{2A_0} \quad (4.3)$$

$$\therefore H(f) = \frac{5\pi}{2A_0} \text{rect}\left(\frac{f}{2f_c}\right) \quad (4.4)$$

4.2 Find  $h(t)$

**Solution:**

$$\text{sinc}(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \text{rect}(f) \quad (4.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{sinc}(2f_c t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{2f_c} \text{rect}\left(\frac{f}{2f_c}\right) \quad (4.6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5\pi}{2A_0} 2f_c \text{sinc}(2f_c t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \frac{5\pi}{2A_0} \text{rect}\left(\frac{f}{2f_c}\right) \quad (4.7)$$

$$\therefore h(t) = \frac{5\pi f_c}{A_0} \text{sinc}(2f_c t) \quad (4.8)$$

4.3 Verify your result using through convolution

**Solution:** Download the following Python code that plots Fig. 4.3.

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Run the code by executing

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python 4.3.py
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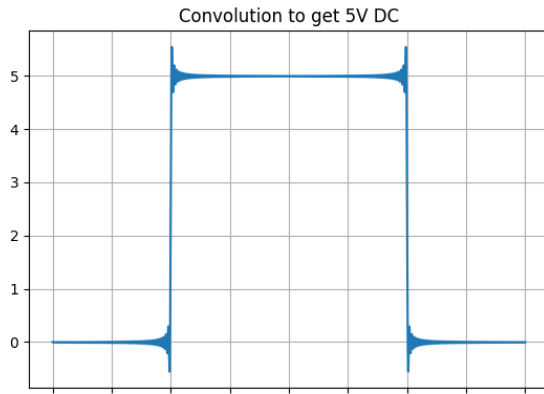


Fig. 4.3. Plot of the convolution of  $x(t)$  and  $h(t)$

## 5. FILTER DESIGN

### 5.1 Design a Butterworth filter for $H(f)$

**Solution:** The transfer function of a Butterworth filter is given by

$$|H_n(f)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{f}{f_c}\right)^{2n}}} \quad (5.1)$$

where  $n$  is the order of the filter and  $f_c$  is the cutoff frequency

Let the passband and stopband frequency thresholds be 50 Hz and 100 Hz and their corresponding attenuations be -1 dB and -5 dB respectively

$$A_p = 10 \log_{10} |H_n(f_p)|^2 \quad (5.2)$$

$$= -10 \log_{10} \left( 1 + \left(\frac{f_p}{f_c}\right)^{2n} \right) \quad (5.3)$$

$$A_s = -10 \log_{10} \left( 1 + \left(\frac{f_s}{f_c}\right)^{2n} \right) \quad (5.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{\log \left( \frac{10^{-\frac{A_p}{10}} - 1}{10^{-\frac{A_s}{10}} - 1} \right)}{2 \log \left( \frac{f_p}{f_s} \right)} \approx 1.53 \quad (5.5)$$

Hence, we choose a 2<sup>nd</sup> order Butterworth filter with

$$f_c = \frac{f_p}{\left(10^{-\frac{A_p}{10}} - 1\right)^{\frac{1}{2n}}} \approx 77.74 \text{ Hz} \quad (5.6)$$

### 5.2 Design a Chebyshev filter for $H(f)$

**Solution:** The transfer function of a Chebyshev filter is given by

$$|H_n(f)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \epsilon^2 T_n^2 \left( \frac{f}{f_c} \right)}} \quad (5.7)$$

where  $\epsilon$  is the ripple factor,  $f_c$  is the cutoff frequency and  $T_n$  is a Chebyshev polynomial of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  order

Assuming the same parameters as before along with a ripple of 0.1 dB, we get

$$\epsilon = \sqrt{10^{\frac{0.1}{10}} - 1} \approx 0.15 \quad (5.8)$$

Also, assume that  $f_c = f_p \Rightarrow \frac{f_s}{f_c} > 1$

$$A_s = -10 \log_{10} \left( 1 + \epsilon^2 T_n^2 \left( \frac{f_s}{f_c} \right) \right) \quad (5.9)$$

$$\Rightarrow T_n \left( \frac{f_s}{f_c} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{10^{-\frac{A_s}{10}} - 1}}{\epsilon} \quad (5.10)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cosh \left( n \cosh^{-1} \left( \frac{f_s}{f_c} \right) \right) = \frac{\sqrt{10^{-\frac{A_s}{10}} - 1}}{\epsilon} \quad (5.11)$$

Thus

$$n = \frac{\cosh^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{10^{-\frac{A_s}{10}} - 1}}{\epsilon} \right)}{\cosh^{-1} \left( \frac{f_s}{f_c} \right)} \approx 2.26 \quad (5.12)$$

Hence, we choose a 3<sup>rd</sup> order Chebyshev filter

### 5.3 Design a circuit for your Butterworth filter

**Solution:** Using the table of normalized Butterworth coefficients, we can see that for a 2<sup>nd</sup> order Butterworth filter

$$C_1 = 1.4142 \text{ F} \quad (5.13)$$

$$L_2 = 1.4142 \text{ H} \quad (5.14)$$

On denormalizing these values, we get

$$C'_1 = \frac{C_1}{2\pi f_c} = 2.89 \text{ mF} \quad (5.15)$$

$$L'_2 = \frac{L_2}{2\pi f_c} = 2.89 \text{ mH} \quad (5.16)$$

### 5.4 Design a circuit for your Chebyshev filter

**Solution:** Using the table of normalized Chebyshev coefficients, we can see that for a 3<sup>rd</sup> order Chebyshev filter

$$C_1 = 1.4328 \text{ F} \quad (5.17)$$

$$L_2 = 1.5937 \text{ H} \quad (5.18)$$

$$C_3 = 1.4328 \text{ F} \quad (5.19)$$

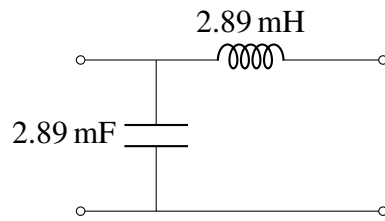


Fig. 5.3. 2<sup>nd</sup> order Butterworth filter circuit

On denormalizing these values, we get

$$C'_1 = \frac{C_1}{2\pi f_c} = 4.56 \text{ mF} \quad (5.20)$$

$$L'_2 = \frac{L_2}{2\pi f_c} = 5.07 \text{ mH} \quad (5.21)$$

$$C'_3 = \frac{C_3}{2\pi f_c} = 4.56 \text{ mF} \quad (5.22)$$

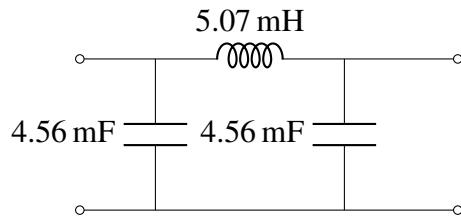


Fig. 5.4. 3<sup>rd</sup> order Chebyshev filter circuit