

Analog IC Design

Lecture 02 Review on Circuits and Systems Basics

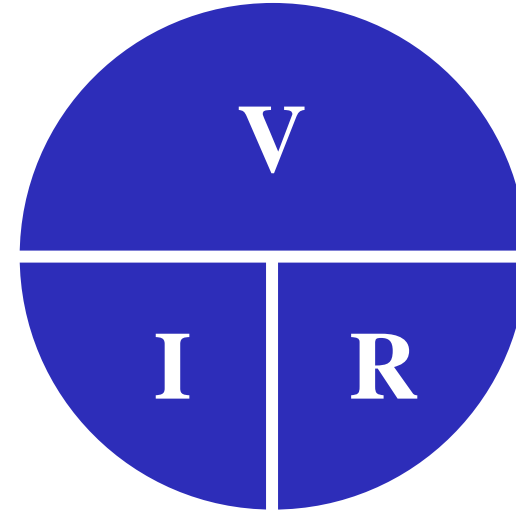
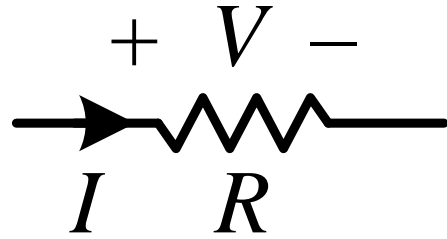
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Ohm's Law



$$V = IR$$

$$I = \frac{V}{R}$$

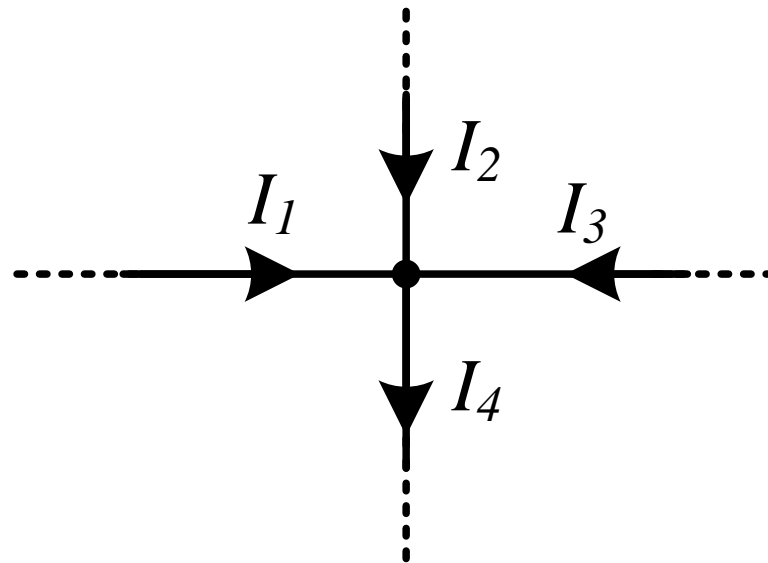
$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL)

- The sum of all currents flowing into a node is zero.

$$\Sigma I = 0$$

$$I_1 + I_2 + I_3 - I_4 = 0$$



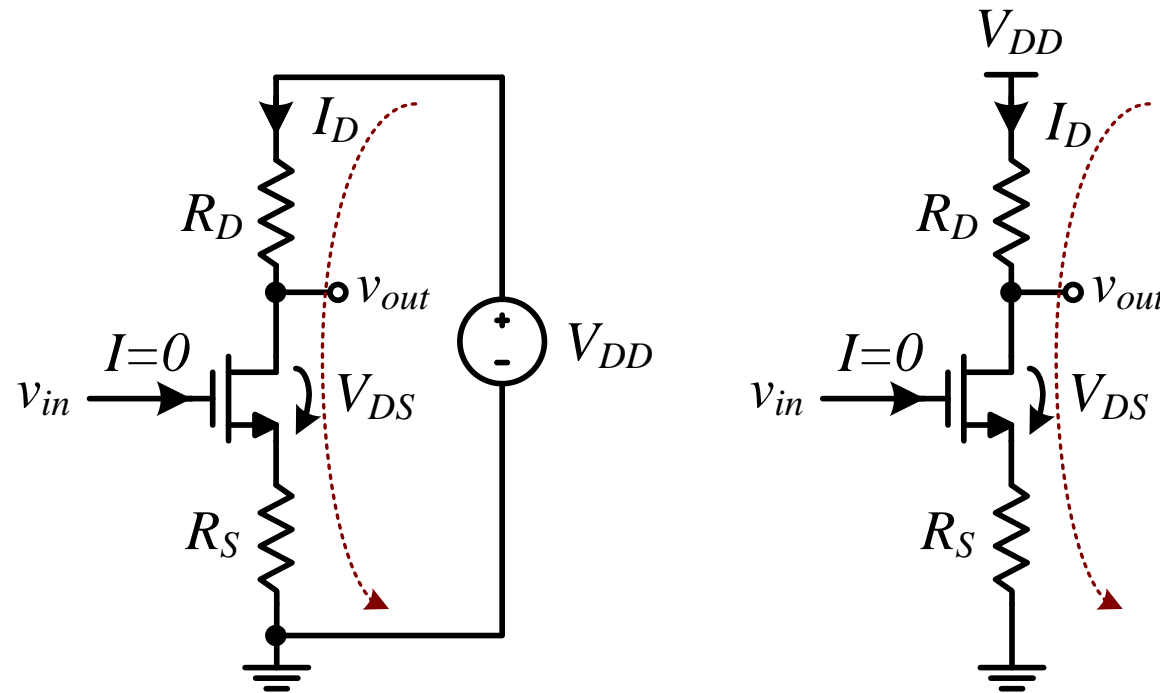
Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL)

- The sum of all voltage drops around any closed loop is zero

$$\Sigma V = 0$$

$$-V_{DD} + I_D R_D + V_{DS} + I_D R_S = 0$$

$$V_{DD} = I_D (R_D + R_S) + V_{DS}$$



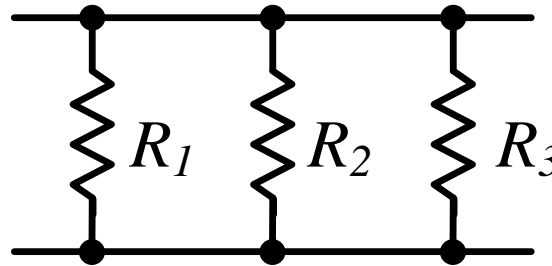
Resistor Combinations

- ❑ Resistors in series: Largest resistor dominates



$$R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$$

- ❑ Resistors in parallel: Smallest resistor dominates

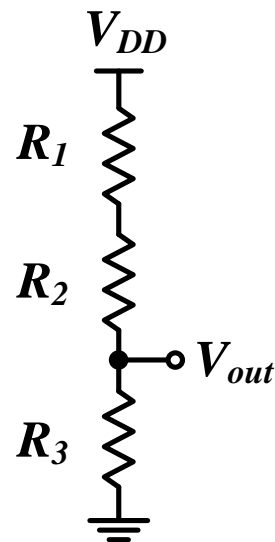


$$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$$

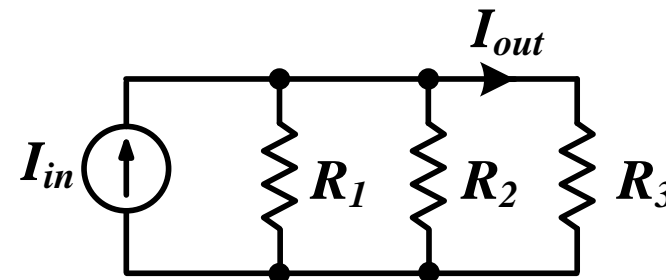
Voltage and Current Dividers

- ❑ Voltage divider → the largest resistor takes most of the voltage
- ❑ Current divider → the smallest resistor (largest conductance) takes most of the current
 - Remember that current flows in the least resistance path

$$V_{out} = V_{DD} \cdot \frac{R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3}$$



$$I_{out} = I_{in} \cdot \frac{G_3}{G_1 + G_2 + G_3}$$

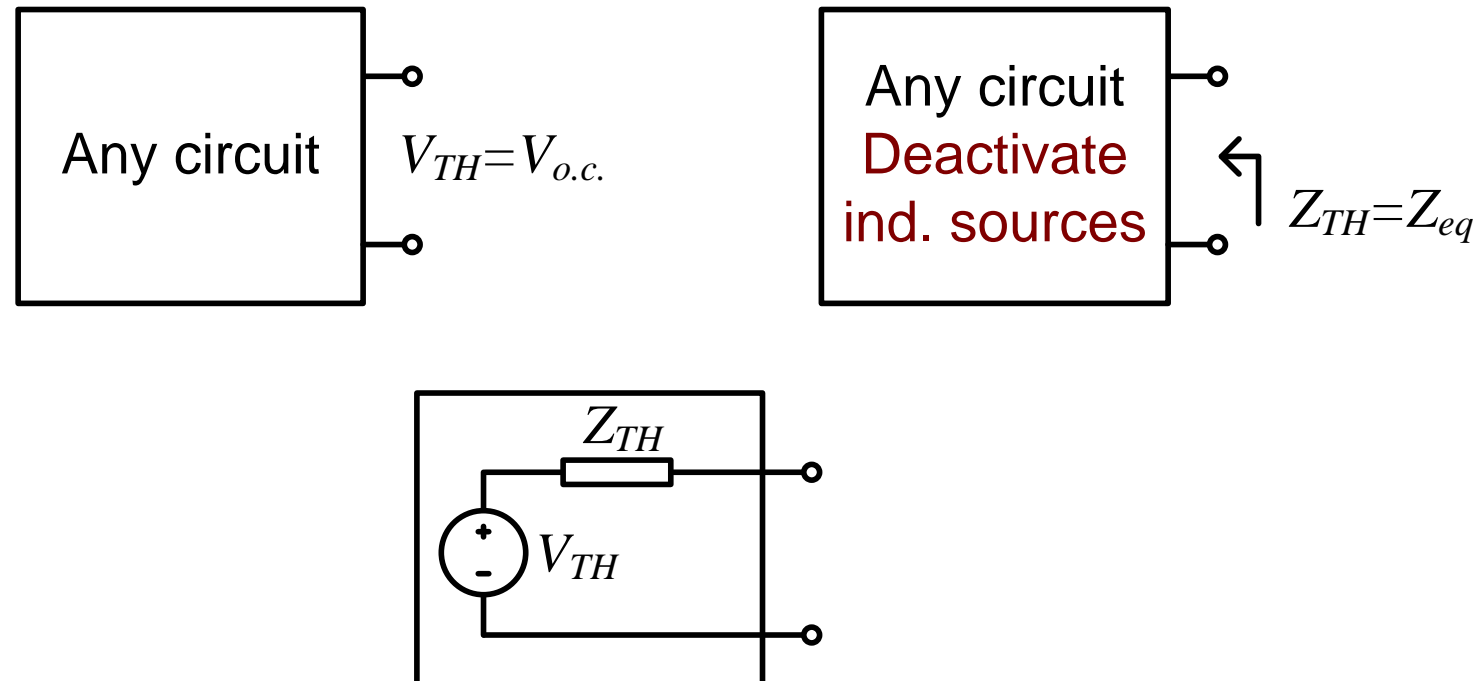


Thevenin Equivalent Circuit

- Any one port circuit can be replaced by a voltage source and a series impedance

$$V_{TH} = V_{o.c.}$$

$$Z_{TH} = Z_{eq} \text{ (turn OFF all independent sources)}$$



Norton Equivalent Circuit

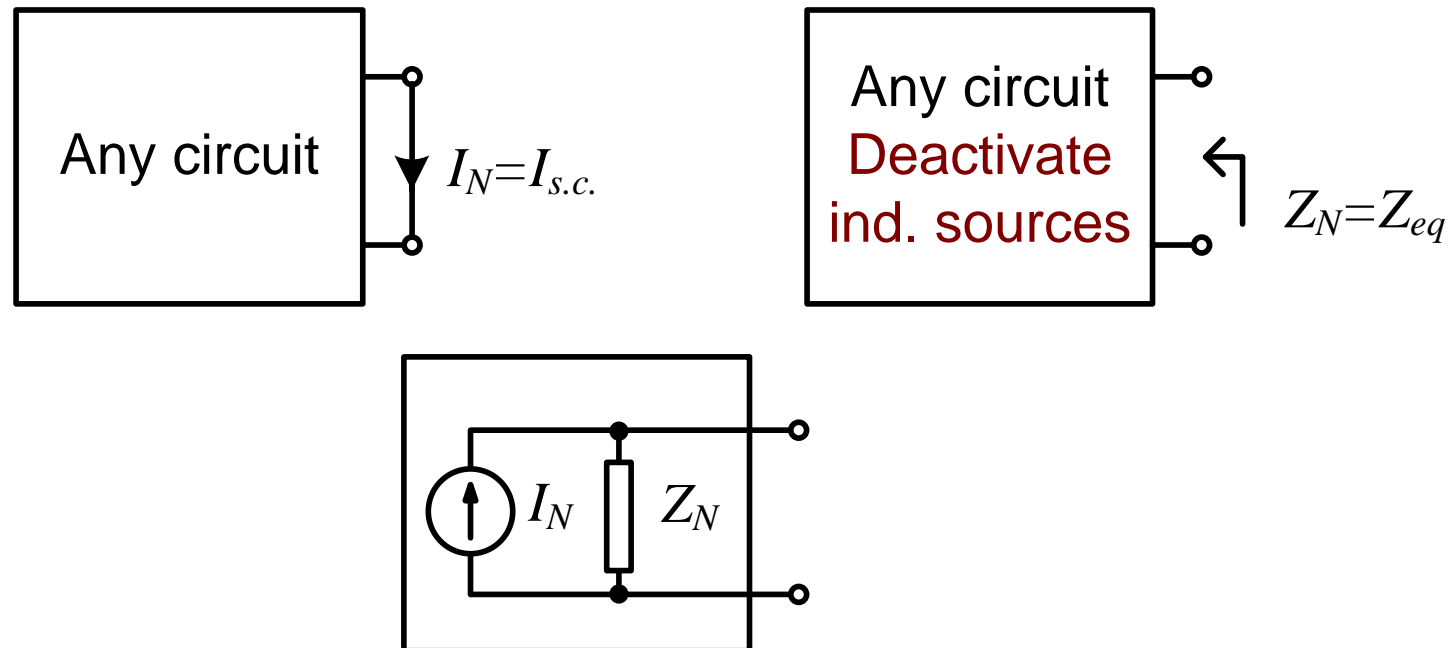
- Any one port circuit can be replaced by a current source and a parallel impedance

$$I_N = I_{s.c.}$$

$$Z_N = Z_{eq} \text{ (turn OFF all independent sources)}$$

$$Z_N = Z_{TH}$$

$$V_{TH} = V_{o.c.} = I_N \times Z_N$$

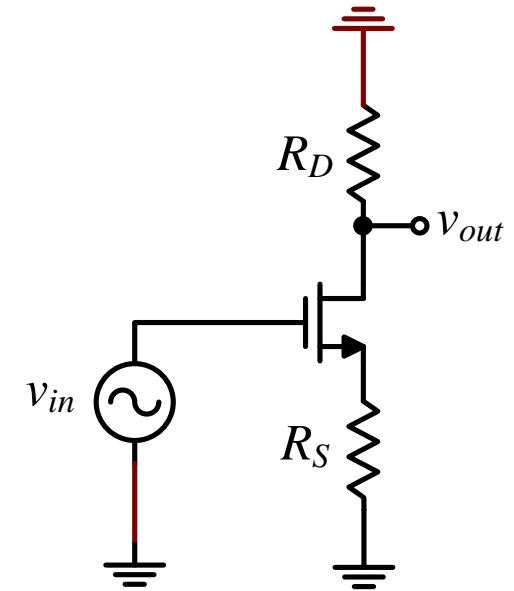
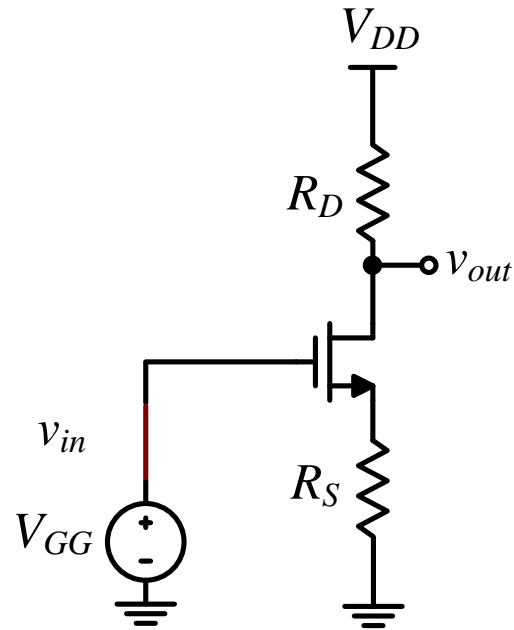
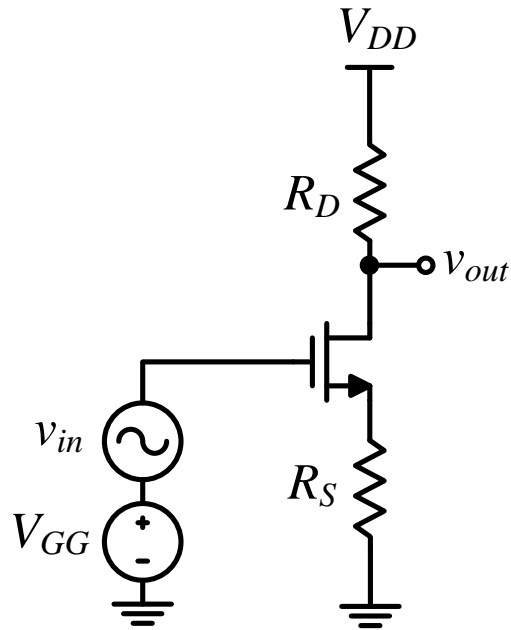


Superposition Theorem

- ❑ Deactivate all independent sources except one
 - Independent voltage source \rightarrow short circuit (s.c.)
 - Independent current source \rightarrow open circuit (o.c.)
 - Do NOT deactivate dependent sources
- ❑ Solve the circuit
- ❑ Repeat the previous two steps for every source
- ❑ Algebraically add all the results

We use this frequently to separate DC and AC solutions

Superposition Theorem



Capacitance

$$Q = CV$$

$$i = \frac{dQ}{dt} = C \frac{dV}{dt}$$

$$V = V_o \cos \omega t = V_o \cdot \operatorname{Re}\{e^{j\omega t}\} \Rightarrow V_o e^{j\omega t}$$

$$i = C \frac{dV}{dt} = j\omega C (V_o e^{j\omega t}) = j\omega C \cdot V$$

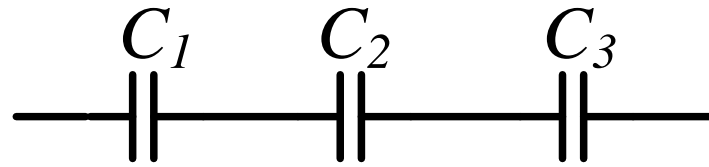
$$Z_C = \frac{V}{i} = \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{1}{sC} \Rightarrow X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C}$$

$$\omega \uparrow\uparrow \Rightarrow X_C \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow s.c.$$

$$\omega \downarrow\downarrow \Rightarrow X_C \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow o.c.$$

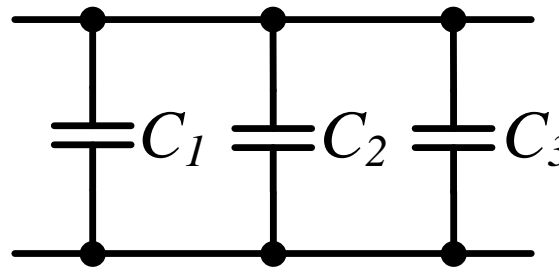
Capacitance Combinations

- Capacitors in series: Smallest capacitor dominates



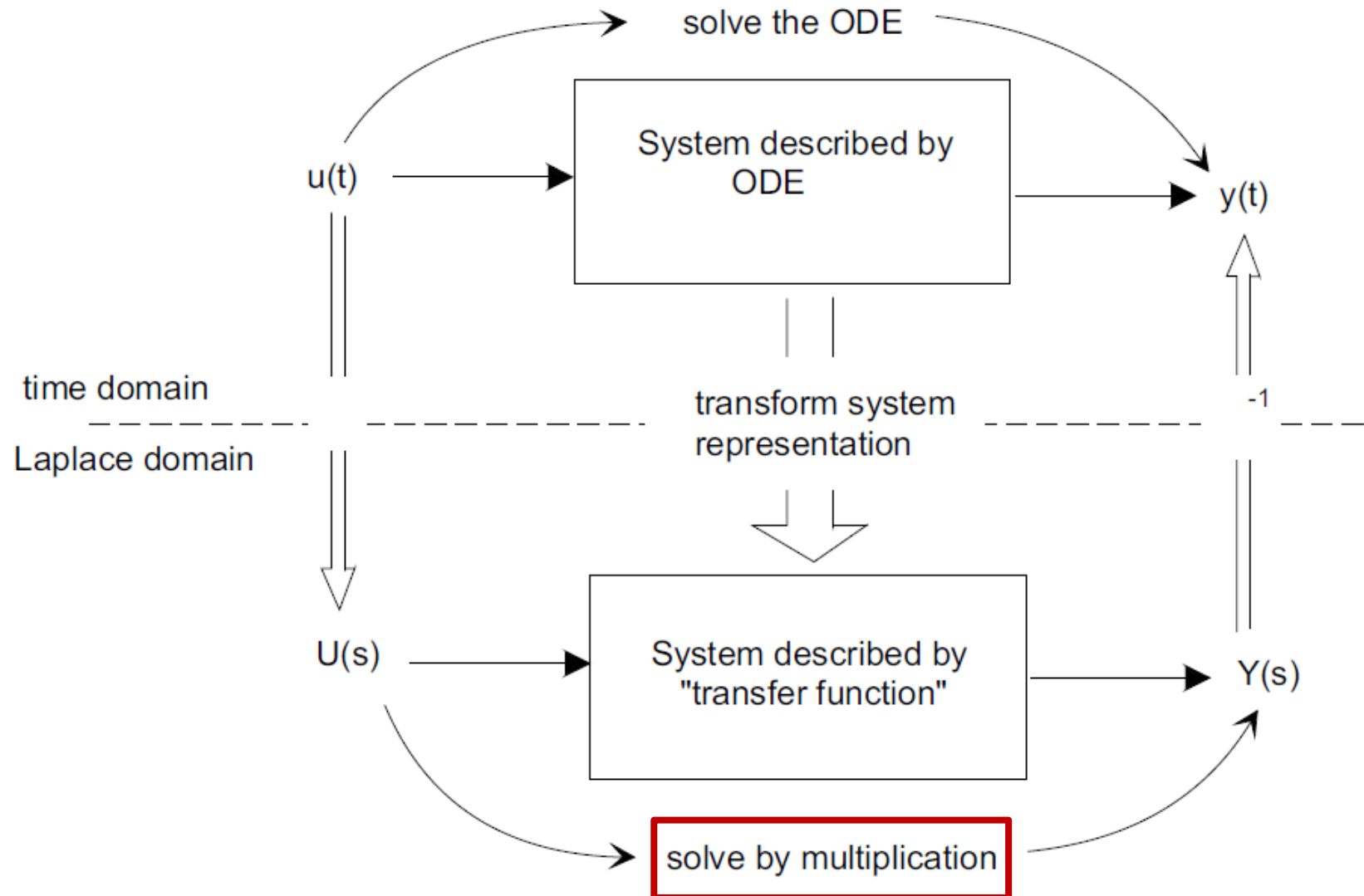
$$\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}$$

- Capacitors in parallel: Largest capacitor dominates



$$C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2 + C_3$$

Laplace Transform (LT)



Laplace Transform (LT)

Time domain	Laplace domain
e^{at}	$\frac{1}{s - a}$
$\int_0^t f(t)dt$	$\frac{1}{s}F(s)$
$\frac{df(t)}{dt}$	$sF(s)$
$\delta(t)$	1
$u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$

Impulse Response and Step Response

Time domain	Laplace domain
e^{at}	$\frac{1}{s - a}$
$\int_0^t f(t)dt$	$\frac{1}{s}F(s)$
$\frac{df(t)}{dt}$	$sF(s)$
$\delta(t)$	1
$u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$

System input	System response (output) in Laplace domain
Unit impulse: $\delta(t)$	$H(s)$
Unit step: $u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}H(s)$

Poles and Zeros

❑ Transfer function

$$H(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}$$

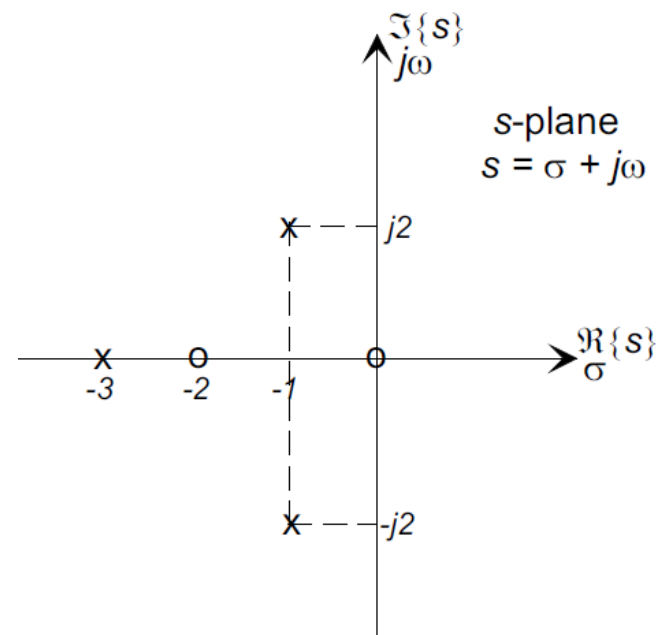
❑ Zeros: roots of the numerator $\rightarrow N(s) = 0$

❑ Poles: roots of the denominator (characteristic eq.) $\rightarrow D(s) = 0$

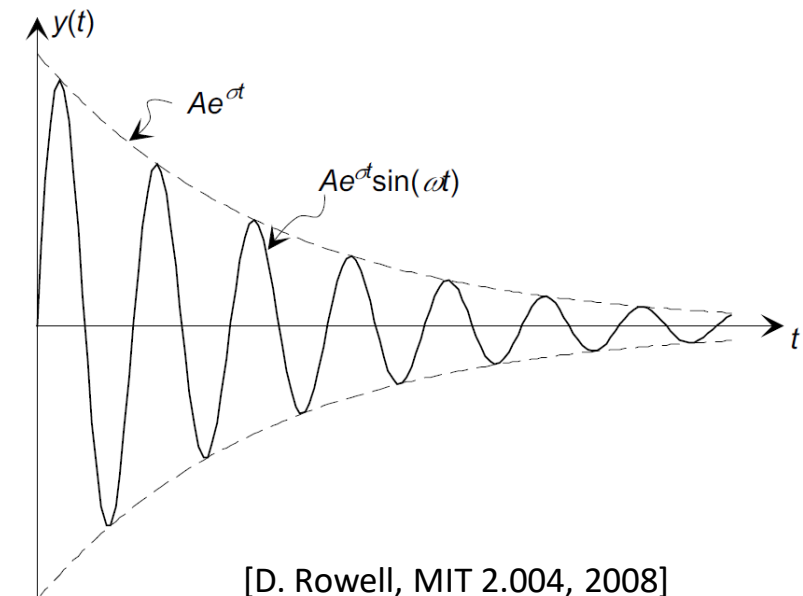
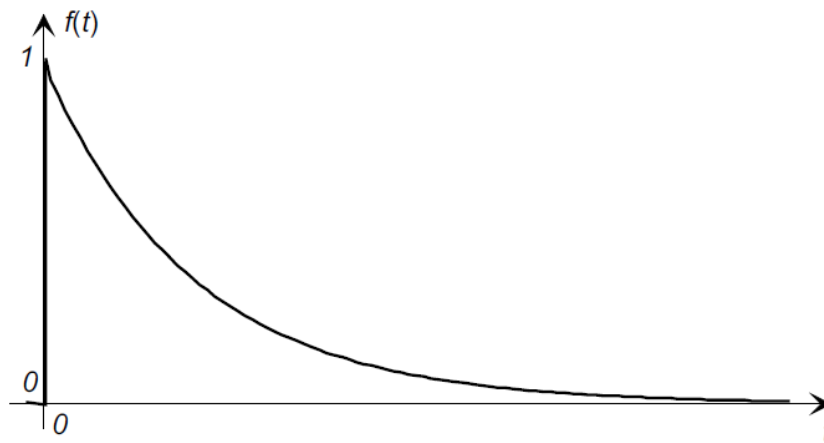
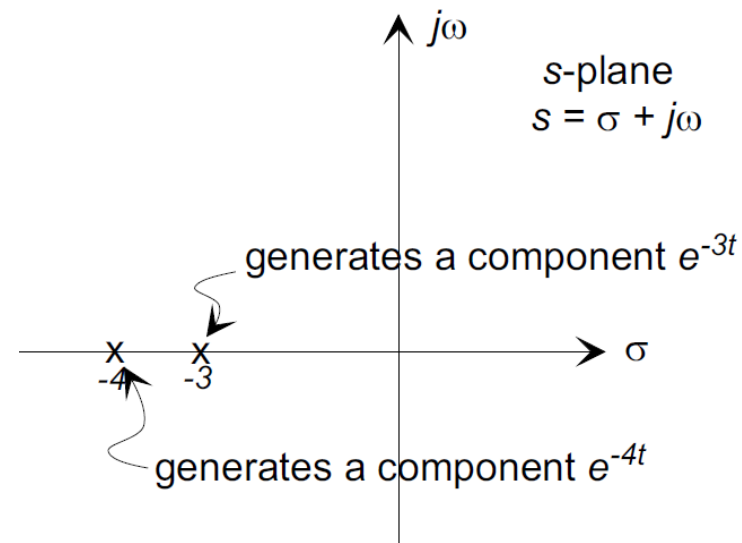
❑ For physical systems, poles & zeros are real or complex conjugate

❑ Example:

$$\begin{aligned} G(s) &= \frac{5s^2 + 10s}{s^3 + 5s^2 + 11s + 15} \\ &= \frac{5s(s + 2)}{(s + 3)(s^2 + 2s + 5)} \\ &= \frac{5s(s + 2)}{(s + 3)(s + (1 + j2))(s + (1 - j2))} \end{aligned}$$

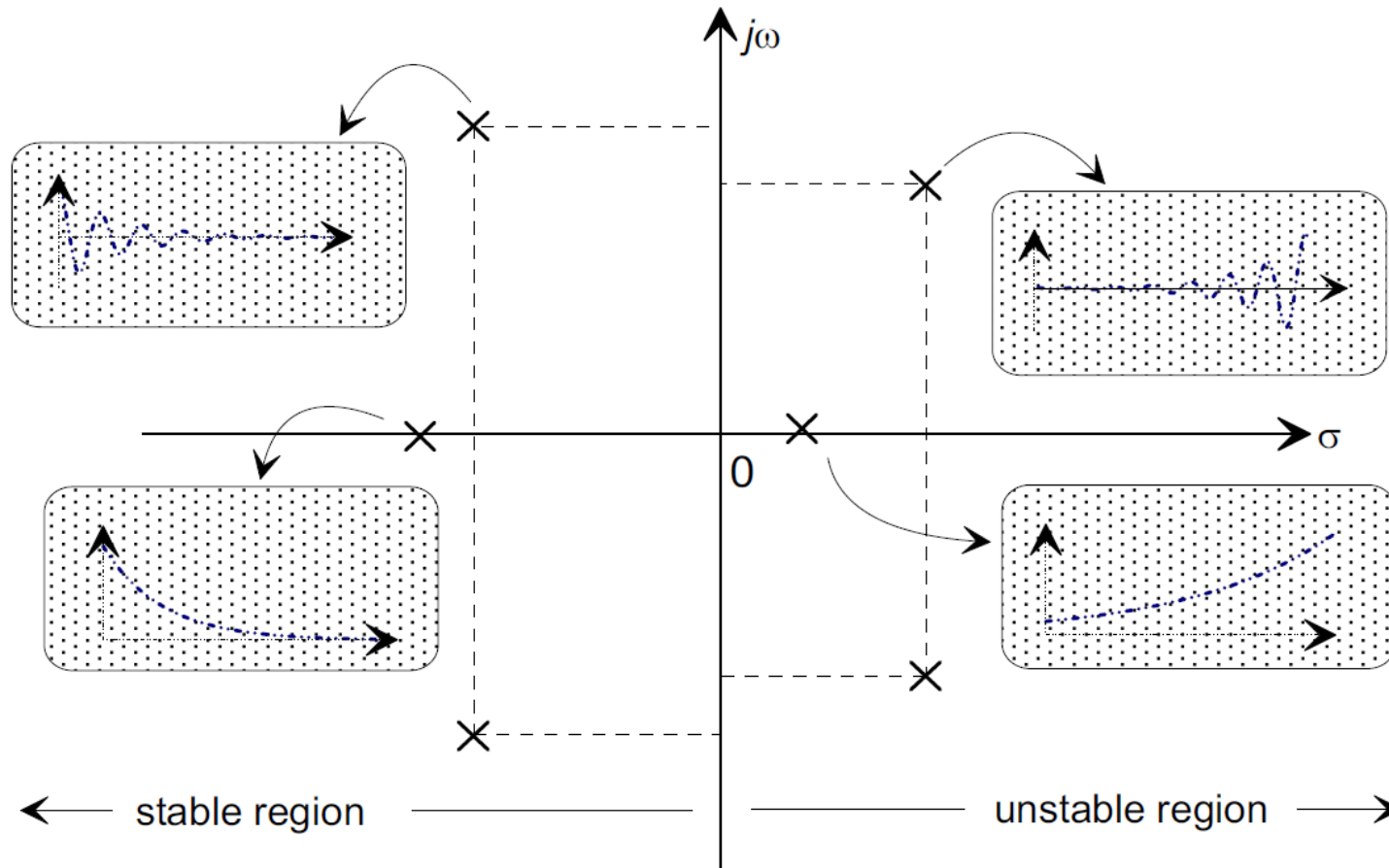


Real and Complex Poles



LHP and RHP Poles

- ❑ Poles in LHP: Decaying exponential → Stable system
 - BIBO: Bounded input bounded output
- ❑ Poles in RHP: Growing exponential → Unstable system



Frequency Response

❑ Transfer function

$$H(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}$$

❑ Fourier Transform is a special case of Laplace Transform: $s \Rightarrow j\omega$

▪ $\sigma = 0 \Rightarrow$ Steady state response for sinusoidal input

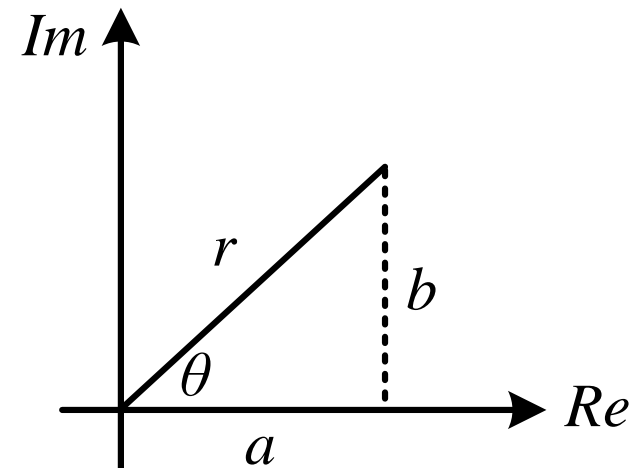
❑ Transfer function \Rightarrow Frequency response: $s \Rightarrow j\omega$

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{V_{out}(j\omega)}{V_{in}(j\omega)} = |H(j\omega)|e^{j\phi}$$

❑ $a + jb = re^{j\theta}$

❑ $r = \text{Magnitude}(a + jb) = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

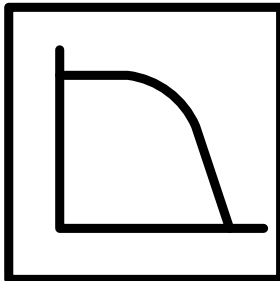
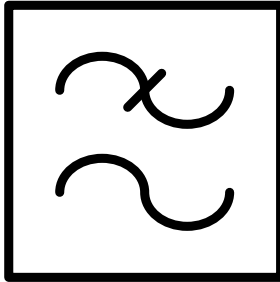
❑ $\theta = \text{Phase}(a + jb) = \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a}$



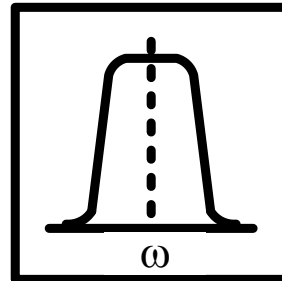
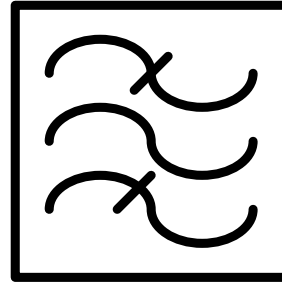
Frequency Response

□ Y-axis: magnitude of frequency response, x-axis: frequency

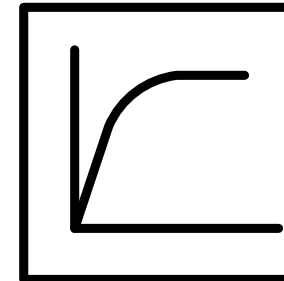
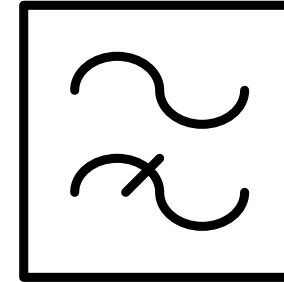
LPF



BPF



HPF



First-Order LPF

$$H(s) = \frac{v_{out}(s)}{v_{in}(s)} = \frac{1/sC}{R + 1/sC} = \frac{1}{1 + sRC} = \frac{1}{1 + s\tau}$$
$$H(j\omega) = \frac{v_{out}(j\omega)}{v_{in}(j\omega)} = \frac{1/j\omega C}{R + 1/j\omega C} = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{j\omega}{\omega_c}}$$

□ $\tau = RC$: time constant

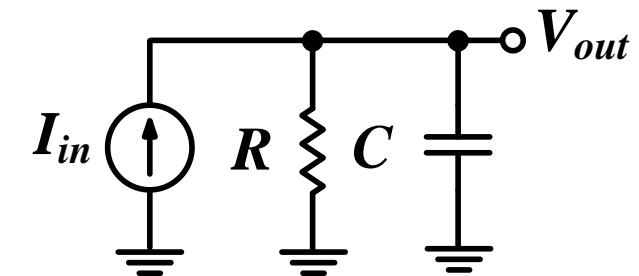
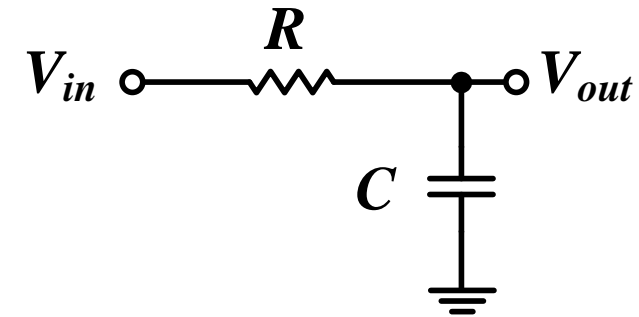
□ $\omega_c = \frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{RC}$: cutoff/corner frequency

□ Poles: $s_p = -\frac{1}{\tau} = -\omega_c$

□ Zeros: ?

□ $|H(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_c}\right)^2}}$

□ $P(H(j\omega)) = -\tan^{-1} \frac{\omega}{\omega_c}$



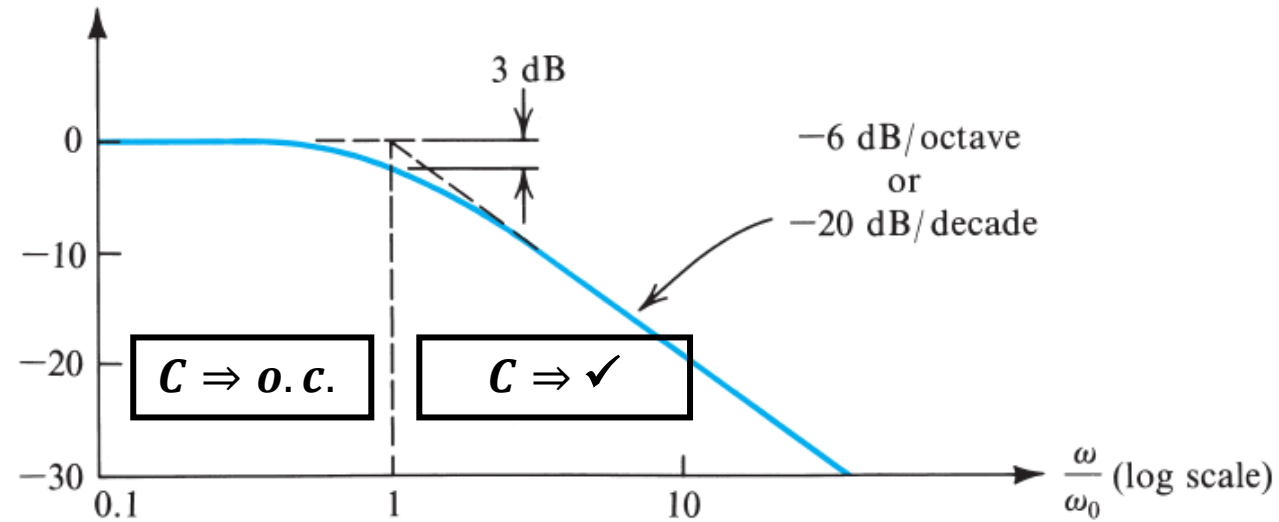
Bode Plot Rules

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- RHP: Right-half plane ($\text{Re}\{s\} > 0$)
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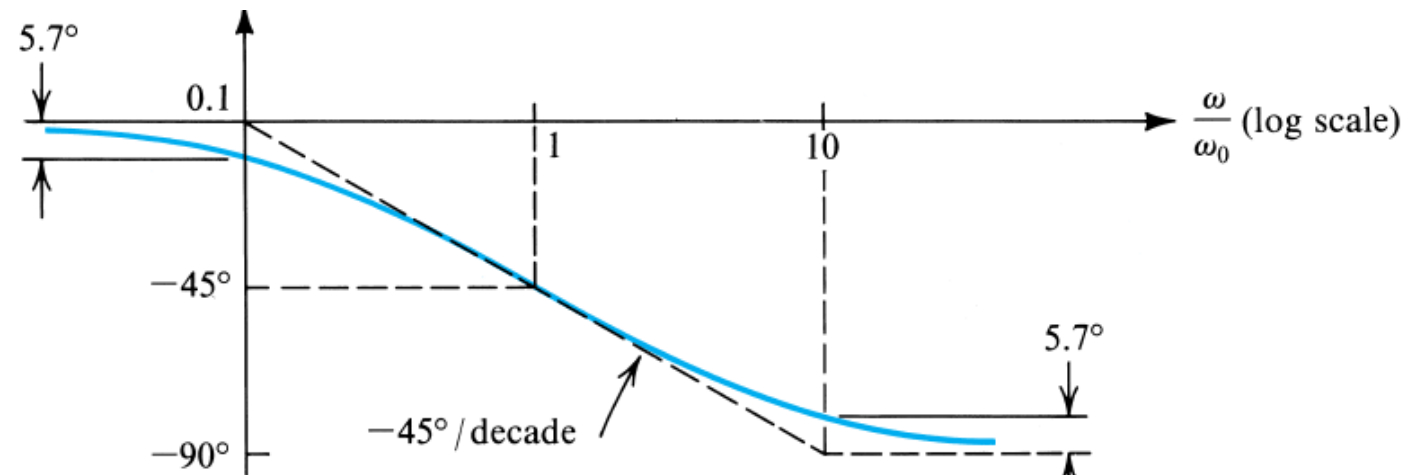
First-Order LPF Bode Plot

$20 \log|H(j\omega)|$ (dB)



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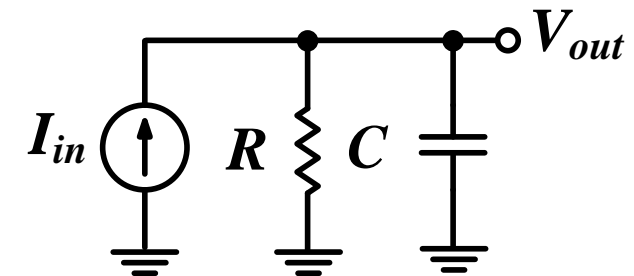
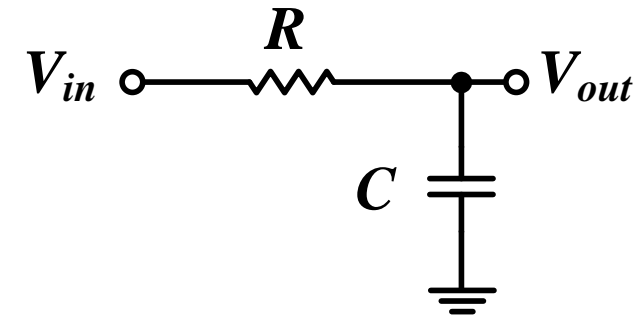
$P(H(j\omega))$



(b)

First-Order LPF Impulse and Step Response

$$H(s) = \frac{v_{out}(s)}{v_{in}(s)} = \frac{1/sC}{R + 1/sC} = \frac{1}{1 + sRC} = \frac{1}{1 + s\tau}$$



First-Order HPF

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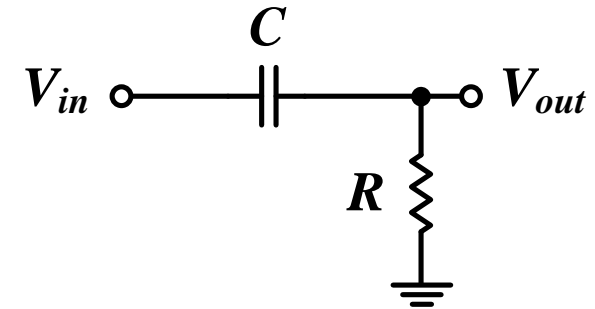
$$H(j\omega) = \frac{v_{out}(j\omega)}{v_{in}(j\omega)} = \frac{R}{R + 1/j\omega C} = \frac{j\omega RC}{1 + j\omega RC} = \frac{\frac{j\omega}{\omega_c}}{1 + \frac{j\omega}{\omega_c}}$$

□ Poles: $s_p = -\frac{1}{\tau} = -\omega_c$

□ Zeros: $s_z = 0$

□ $|H(j\omega)| = \frac{\frac{\omega}{\omega_c}}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_c}\right)^2}}$

□ $P(H(j\omega)) = 90^\circ - \tan^{-1} \frac{\omega}{\omega_c}$



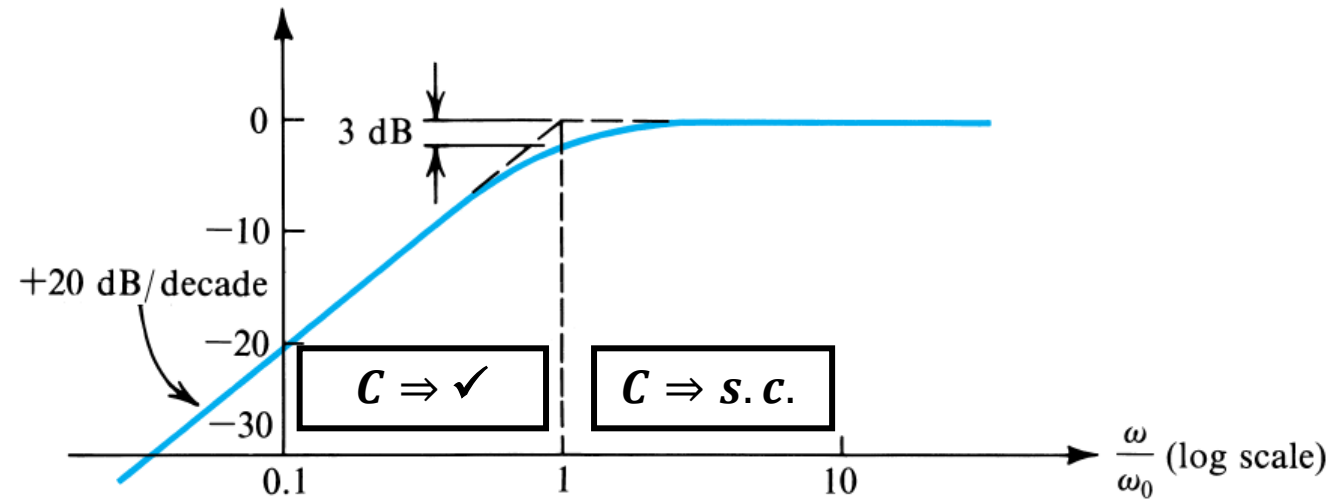
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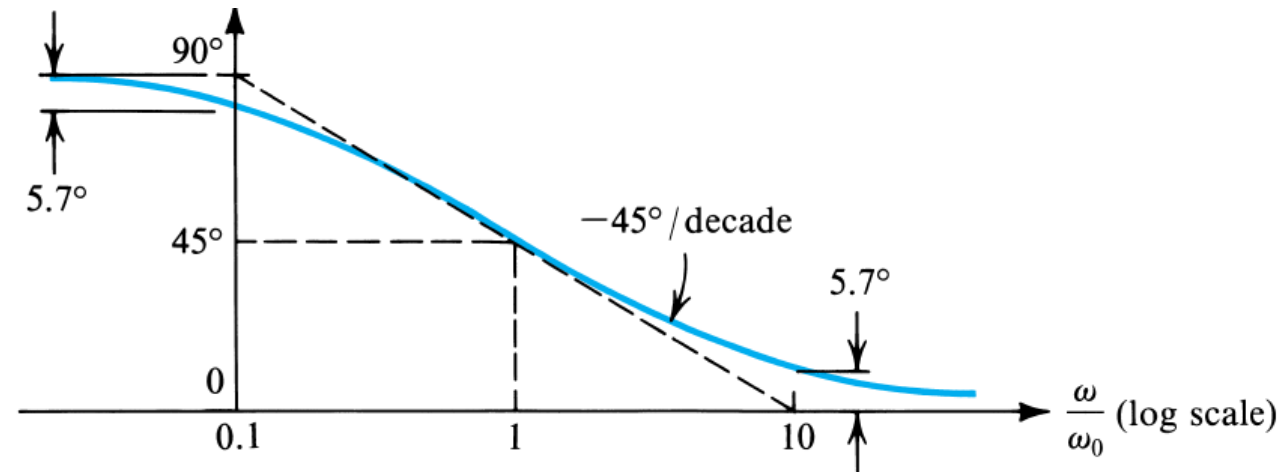
First-Order HPF Bode Plot

$20 \log|H(j\omega)|$ (dB)



(a)

$P(H(j\omega))$



(b)

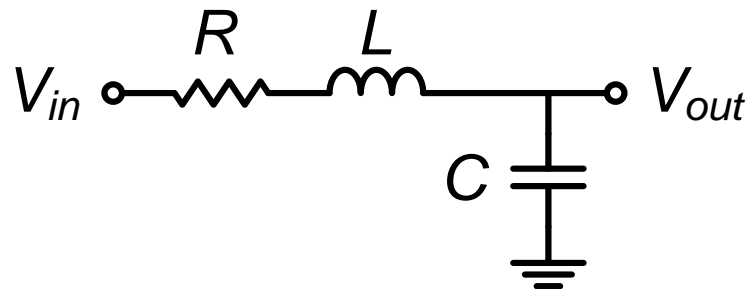
Second-Order System: LC LPF

$$H(s) = \frac{Z_C}{R + Z_L + Z_C} = \frac{1}{LCs^2 + RCs + 1}$$

$$\omega_o^2 = \frac{1}{LC} \quad \text{and} \quad Q = \frac{\omega_o L}{R} = \frac{1}{\omega_o RC} = \frac{1}{2\zeta}$$

□ Higher R means higher damping (ζ) and lower quality factor (Q)

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{s}{\omega_o}\right)^2 + \frac{s}{\omega_o Q} + 1} = \frac{\omega_o^2}{s^2 + \left(\frac{\omega_o}{Q}\right)s + \omega_o^2} = \frac{\omega_o^2}{s^2 + (2\zeta\omega_o)s + \omega_o^2}$$

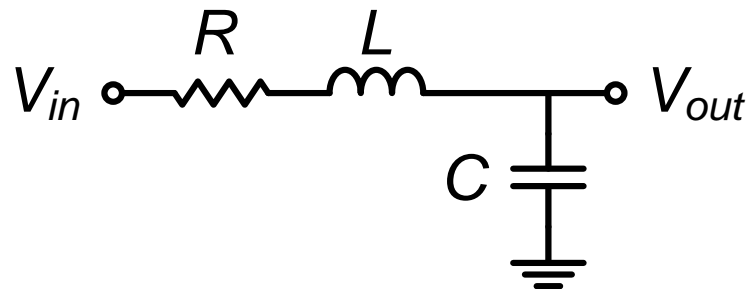


Second-Order Passive LC LPF

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{s}{\omega_o}\right)^2 + \frac{s}{\omega_o Q} + 1} = \frac{\omega_o^2}{s^2 + \left(\frac{\omega_o}{Q}\right)s + \omega_o^2}$$

□ The poles occur at $s^2 + \left(\frac{\omega_o}{Q}\right)s + \omega_o^2 = 0$

$$s_{p1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = -\frac{\omega_o}{2Q} \pm \frac{\omega_o}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{Q^2} - 4}$$

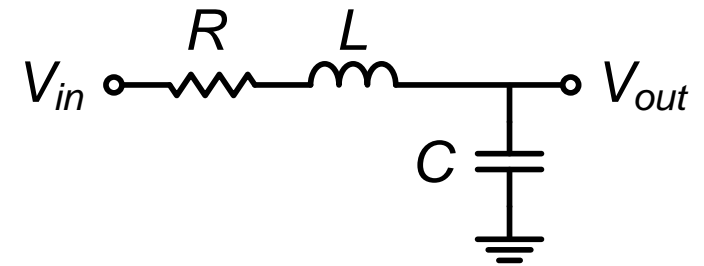
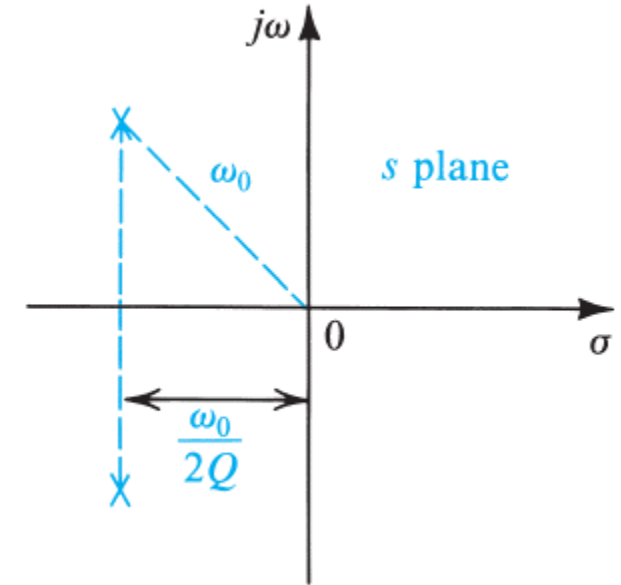


Second-Order System Poles

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{s}{\omega_o}\right)^2 + \frac{s}{\omega_o Q} + 1} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{s}{\omega_o}\right)^2 + \frac{s}{\omega_o/2\zeta} + 1}$$

$$s_{p1,2} = -\frac{\omega_o}{2Q} \pm \frac{\omega_o}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{Q^2} - 4}$$

- ❑ If $Q < 0.5$ ($\zeta > 1$): overdamped system, roots are real, negative, and distinct, like two first-order RC filters in cascade
- ❑ If $Q = 0.5$ ($\zeta = 1$): critical damped system, roots are real, negative, and equal
- ❑ If $Q > 0.5$ ($\zeta < 1$): underdamped system, roots are complex conjugate

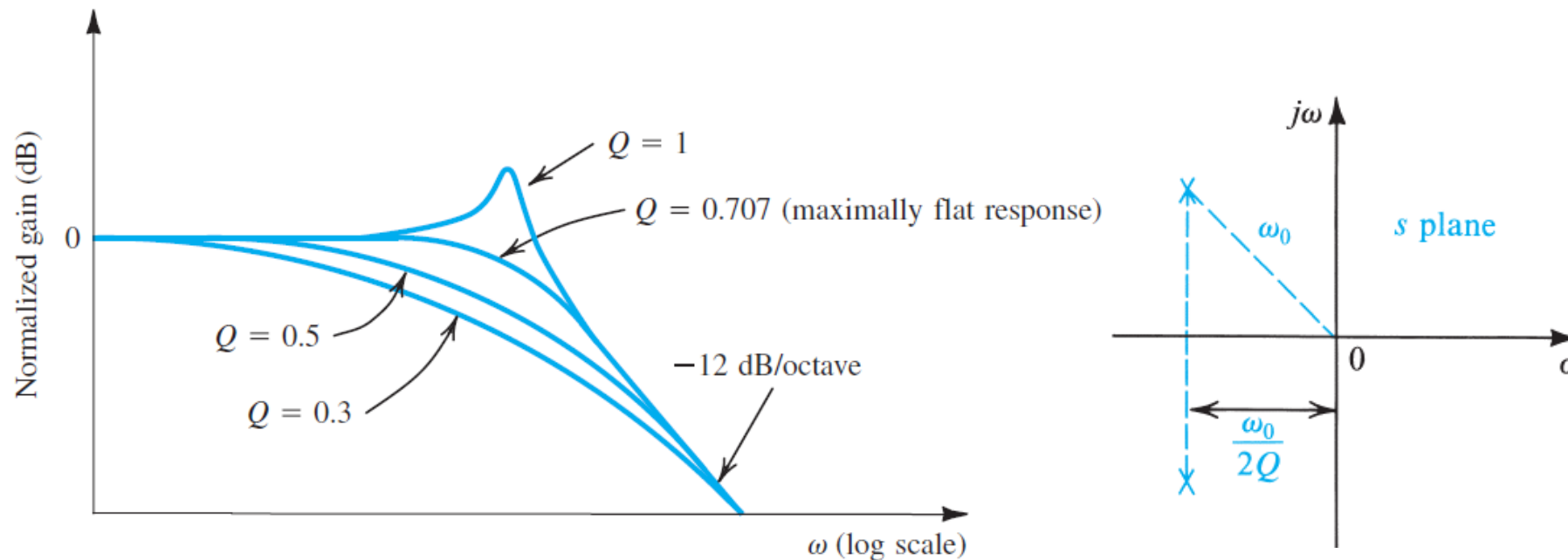


Ringling and Peaking

- $Q > 0.5$ ($\zeta < 1$): Underdamped system (complex conjugate poles)
 - Ringing (overshoot) in step response (time domain)

$$\% \text{ overshoot} = 100 e^{\frac{-\pi}{\sqrt{4Q^2 - 1}}}$$

- $Q > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 0.707$ ($\zeta < 0.707$): Peaking in frequency response



Thank you!

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Order of a Circuit

- ❑ The order of a circuit is the order of the differential equation describing the circuit
- ❑ Viewed in s-domain, it is the order of the denominator of the transfer function (the characteristic equation)
 - The number of poles of the system
- ❑ The order is also the number of state variables in the circuit (the variables that control the behavior of the circuit)
 - For C: state variable is voltage
 - For L: state variable is current
- ❑ A practical rule of thumb:
 - Find the number of independent inductor currents and capacitor voltages
 - Or the number of independent initial conditions that can be assigned to state variables
- ❑ Beware of pole-zero cancellation (e.g., two capacitors forming a voltage divider)