# 24 Butterworth Filters

## Solutions to Recommended Problems

S24.1

(a) For N=5 and  $\omega_c=(2\pi)1$  kHz,  $|B(j\omega)|^2$  is given by

$$|B(j\omega)|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{j\omega}{j2000\pi}\right)^{10}}$$

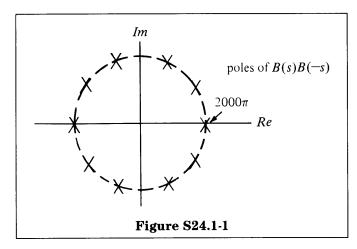
**(b)** The denominator of B(s)B(-s) is set to zero. Thus

$$0 = 1 + \left(\frac{s}{j2000\pi}\right)^{10}, \quad \text{or} \quad s = (-1)^{1/10} j2000\pi$$

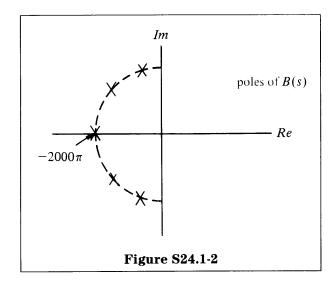
Expressing -1 as  $e^{j\pi}$  and j as  $e^{j\pi/2}$ , we find that the poles of B(s)B(-s) are

$$s = 2000\pi e^{j[(\pi/10) + (\pi/2) + (\pi k/5)]},$$

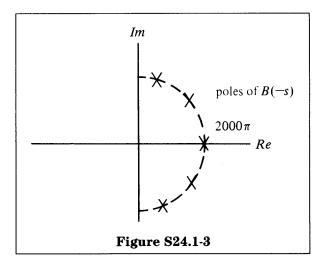
as shown in Figure S24.1-1.



(c) For B(s) to be stable and causal, its poles must be in the left half-plane, as shown in Figure S24.1-2.



(d) Since the total number of poles must be as shown in part (b), the poles of B(-s) must be given as in Figure S24.1-3.



S24.2

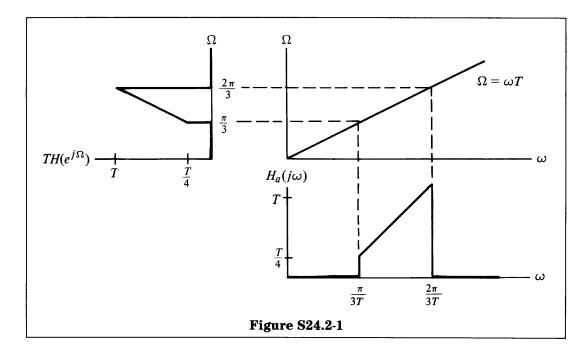
(a) When there is no aliasing, the relation in the frequency domain between the continuous-time filter and the discrete-time filter corresponding to impulse invariance is

$$H(e^{j\Omega}) = rac{1}{T} H_a \left( j rac{\Omega}{T} 
ight), \qquad |\Omega| \leq \pi$$

Thus, there is an amplitude scaling of T and a frequency scaling given by

$$\Omega = \omega T$$
,  $|\Omega| \le \pi$ ,  $|\omega| \le \pi T$ 

The required transfer function can be found by reflecting  $TH(e^{j\Omega})$  through the preceding transformation, as shown in Figure S24.2-1.

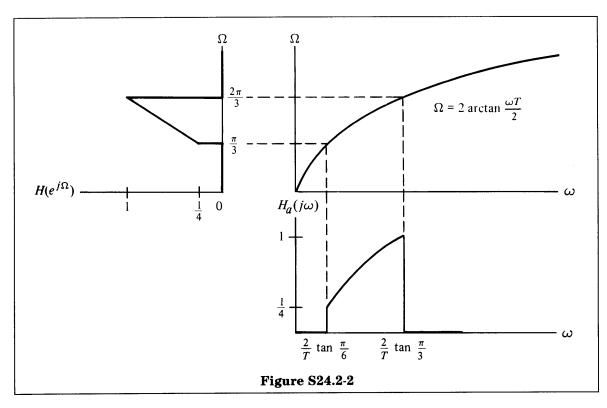


Since the relation between  $\Omega$  and  $\omega$  is linear, the shape of the frequency response is preserved.

(b) For the bilinear transformation, there is no amplitude scaling of the frequency response; however, there is the following frequency transformation:

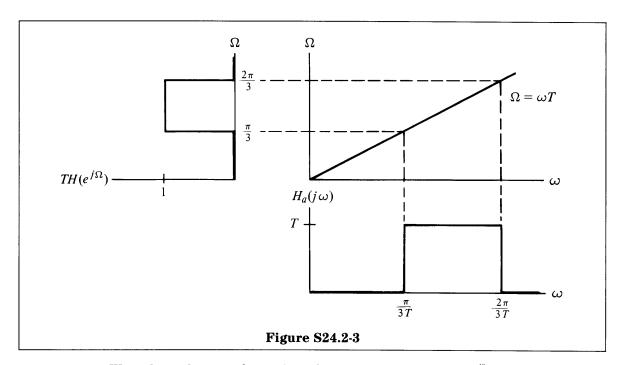
$$\Omega = 2 \arctan\left(\frac{\omega T}{2}\right)$$

As in part (a), we can find  $H_a(j\omega)$  by reflecting  $H(e^{j\Omega})$  through the preceding frequency transformation, shown in Figure S24.2-2.

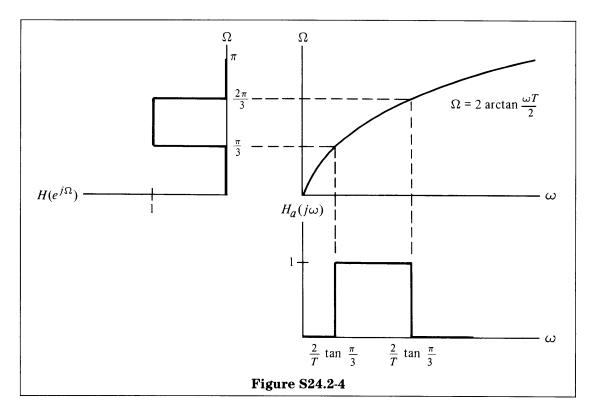


Because of the nonlinear relation between  $\Omega$  and  $\omega$ ,  $H_a(j\omega)$  does not exhibit a linear slope as  $H(e^{j\Omega})$  does.

(c) We redraw the transformation of part (a) for the new  $H(e^{j\Omega})$  in Figure S24.2-3. As in part (a), the shape of the frequency response is preserved.



We redraw the transformation of part (b) for the new  $H(e^{j\alpha})$  in Figure S24.2-4. Unlike part (b), the general shape of  $H(e^{j\alpha})$  is preserved because of the piecewise-constant nature of  $H(e^{j\alpha})$ .

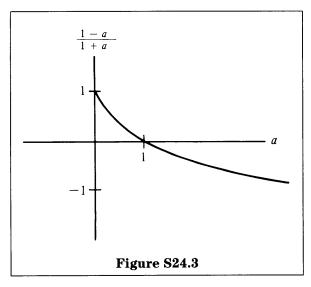


#### S24.3

(a) Using the bilinear transformation, we get

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{a + \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + z^{-1}}} = \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{a + 1 + z^{-1}(a - 1)} = \frac{\frac{1 + z^{-1}}{1 + a}}{1 - \left(\frac{1 - a}{1 + a}\right)z^{-1}}$$

- **(b)** Since H(s) has a pole at -a, we need a > 0 for H(s) to be stable and causal.
- (c) Figure S24.3 contains a plot of (1-a)/(1+a), the pole location of H(z), versus a.



We see that for a > 0, (1 - a)/(1 + a) is between -1 and 1. Since the only pole of H(z) occurs at z = (1 - a)/(1 + a), H(z) must be stable whenever H(s) is stable, assuming that H(z) represents a causal h[n].

### S24.4

(a) For T = 1 and the impulse invariance method,  $B(j\omega)$  must satisfy

$$1 \ge |B(j\omega)| \ge 0.8$$
 for  $0 \le \omega \le \frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  $0.2 \ge |B(j\omega)| \ge 0$  for  $\frac{3\pi}{4} \le \omega$ 

Therefore, if we ignore aliasing,

$$\left| B\left(j\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{j\pi/4}{j\omega_c}\right)^{2N}} = (0.8)^2,$$

$$\left| B\left(j\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) \right|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{j3\pi/4}{j\omega_c}\right)^{2N}} = (0.2)^2$$

**(b)** For T=1 and the bilinear transformation,  $B(j\omega)$  must satisfy

$$1 \ge |B(j\omega)| \ge 0.8, \qquad 0 \le \omega \le 2 \tan \frac{\pi}{8},$$
$$0.2 \ge |B(j\omega)| \ge 0, \qquad 2 \tan \frac{3\pi}{8} \le \omega$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{1 + \left[\frac{j2 \tan (\pi/8)}{j\omega_c}\right]^{2N}} = (0.8)^2,$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + \left[\frac{j2 \tan (3\pi/8)}{j\omega_c}\right]^{2N}} = (0.2)^2$$

#### S24.5

(a) The relation between  $\Omega$  and  $\omega$  is given by  $\Omega = \omega T$ , where T = 1/15000. Thus,

$$1 \ge |H(e^{j\Omega})| \ge 0.9 \qquad \text{for } 0 \le \Omega \le \frac{2\pi}{5},$$
$$0.1 \ge |H(e^{j\Omega})| \ge 0 \qquad \text{for } \frac{3\pi}{5} \le \Omega \le \pi$$

Note that while  $H_d(j\omega)$  was restricted to be between 0.1 and 0 for all  $\omega$  larger than  $2\pi(4500)$ , we can specify  $H(e^{j\Omega})$  only up to  $\Omega=\pi$ . For values higher than  $\pi$ , we rely on some anti-aliasing filter to do the attenuation for us.

(b) Assuming no aliasing,

$$H(e^{j\Omega}) = \frac{1}{T} G\left(j\frac{\Omega}{T}\right)$$

Therefore,

$$3 \ge |G(j\omega)| \ge 2.7, \qquad 0 \le \omega \le \frac{2\pi}{15},$$
  $0.3 \ge |G(j\omega)| \ge 0, \qquad \frac{\pi}{5} \le \omega < \frac{\pi}{3}$ 

(c) The relation between  $\omega$  and  $\Omega$  is given by  $\Omega=2\arctan(\omega)$ . Thus,

$$1 \ge |G(j\omega)| \ge 0.9,$$
  $0 \le \omega \le \tan\frac{\pi}{5},$   $0.1 \ge |G(j\omega)| \ge 0,$   $\tan\frac{3\pi}{10} \le \omega < \infty$ 

(d) If T changes, then the specifications for  $G(j\omega)$  will change for either the impulse variance method or the bilinear transformation. However, they will change in such a way that the resulting discrete-time filter  $H(e^{j\Omega})$  will not change. Thus,  $H_c(j\omega)$  will also not change.

# Solutions to Optional Problems

#### S24.6

(a) We first assume that a B(s) exists such that the filter specifications are met exactly. Since

$$|B(j\omega)|^2 = rac{1}{1 + \left(rac{j\omega}{j\omega_c}
ight)^{2N}},$$

we require that

$$|B(j2\pi)|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{j2\pi}{j\omega_c}\right)^{2N}} = (10^{-0.05})^2 = 10^{-0.1},$$

$$|B(j3\pi)|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{j3\pi}{j\omega_c}\right)^{2N}} = 10^{-1.5}$$

Substituting N = 5.88 and  $\omega_c = 7.047$ , we see that the preceding equations are satisfied.

**(b)** Since we know that N=6, we use the first equation to solve for  $\omega_c$ :

$$10^{-0.1} = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{j2\pi}{j\omega_c}\right)^{12}}$$

Solving for  $\omega_c$ , we find that  $\omega_c=7.032$ . The frequency response at  $\omega=0.3\pi$  is given by

$$|B(j3\pi)|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{j3\pi}{j7.032}\right)^{12}} = 0.02890,$$

$$20 \log_{10}|B(j3\pi)| = -15.4 \text{ dB}$$

(c) If we picked N = 5, there would be no value of  $\omega_c$  that would lead to a Butterworth filter that would meet the filter specifications.

#### S24.7

We require an  $H_d(z)$  such that

$$0 \ge 20 \log_{10} |H_d(e^{j\Omega})| \ge -0.75, \qquad 0 \le \Omega \le 0.2613\pi,$$
  
 $-20 \text{ dB} \ge 20 \log_{10} |H_d(e^{j\Omega})|, \qquad 0.4018\pi \le \Omega \le \pi$ 

We will for the moment assume that the specifications can be met exactly. Let  $\Omega_p$  be the frequency where

$$20 \log_{10} |H_d(e^{j\Omega_p})| = -0.75,$$
 or  $|H_d(e^{j\Omega_p})|^2 = 10^{-0.075}$ 

Similarly, we define  $\Omega_s$  as the frequency where

$$20 \log_{10} |H_d(e^{j\Omega_s})| = -20, \quad \text{or} \quad |H_d(e^{j\Omega_s})|^2 = 10^{-2}$$

Using T=1, we find the specifications for the continuous-time filter  $H_a(j\omega)$  as

$$|H_a(j\omega_p)|^2 = 10^{-0.075}, \qquad |H_a(j\omega_s)|^2 = 10^{-2},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_p &= 2 \tan \frac{\Omega_p}{2} = 2 \tan \left( \frac{0.2613\pi}{2} \right) = 0.8703, \\ \omega_s &= 2 \tan \frac{\Omega_s}{2} = 2 \tan \left( \frac{0.4018\pi}{2} \right) = 1.4617 \end{aligned}$$

For the specification to be met exactly, we need N and  $\omega_c$  such that

$$1 + \left(\frac{j0.8703}{j\omega_c}\right)^{2N} = 10^{0.075}$$
 and  $1 + \left(\frac{j1.4617}{j\omega_c}\right)^{2N} = 10^2$ 

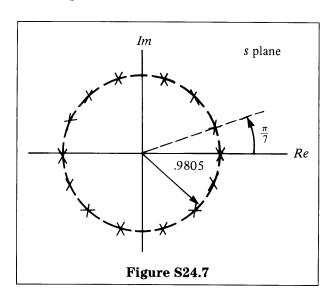
Solving for N, we find that N=6.04. Since N is so close to 6 we may relax the specifications slightly and choose N=6. Alternatively, we pick N=7. Meeting the passband specification exactly, we choose  $\omega_c$  such that

$$1 + \left(\frac{j0.8703}{j\omega_c}\right)^{14} = 10^{0.075}, \quad \text{or} \quad \omega_c = 0.9805$$

The continuous-time filter  $H_a(s)$  is then specified by

$$H_a(s)H_a(-s) = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{s}{j0.9805}\right)^{14}}$$

The poles are drawn in Figure S24.7.



We associate with  $H_a(s)$  the poles that are on the left half-plane, as follows:

$$\begin{array}{lll} s_1 = -0.9805, & s_2 = 0.9805 e^{j8\pi/14}, & s_3 = s_2^*, \\ s_4 = 0.9805 e^{j10\pi/14}, & s_5 = s_4^*, & s_6 = 0.9805 e^{j12\pi/14}, & s_7 = s_6^* \end{array}$$

 $H_a(s)$  is given by

$$H_a(s) = \frac{(0.9805)^7}{\prod_{i=1}^7 (s - s_i)}$$

 $H_d(z)$  can be obtained by the substitution

$$H_d(z) = H_a(s)|_{s=2[(1-z^{-1})/(1+z^{-1})]}$$

S24.8

(a) Assuming no aliasing,  $H_d(e^{j\Omega})$  is related to  $\hat{H}_b(j\omega)$  by

$$H_d(e^{j\Omega}) = \frac{1}{T}\hat{H}_b\left(j\frac{\Omega}{T}\right), \qquad T = 2$$

Thus, the specifications for  $\hat{H}_b(j\omega)$  are given by

$$2 \ge |\hat{H}_b(j\omega)| \ge 2a, \qquad 0 \le \omega \le 0.2\pi/2,$$
  
$$2b \ge |\hat{H}_b(j\omega)| \ge 0, \qquad 0.3\pi/2 \le \omega$$

(b) Substituting

$$\hat{H}_s(j\omega) = \frac{2}{3}H_s\left(j\frac{2\omega}{3}\right)$$

for  $\omega = 0.2\pi/2$ , we have

$$\left| \hat{H}_s \left( j \frac{0.2\pi}{2} \right) \right| = \frac{2}{3} \left| H_s \left( j \frac{2}{3} \frac{0.2\pi}{2} \right) \right| = \frac{2}{3} \left| H_s \left( j \frac{0.2\pi}{3} \right) \right|$$

But

$$\left| H_s \left( j \, \frac{0.2\pi}{3} \right) \, \right| = 3a$$

Thus

$$\left|\hat{H}_s\left(j\,\frac{0.2\pi}{2}\right)\right| = \frac{2}{3}\,3a = 2a$$

Similarly,

$$\left|\hat{H}_s\left(j\,\frac{0.3\pi}{2}\right)\right| = 2b$$

Thus,  $\hat{H}_s(s)$  satisfies the filter specifications for  $H_b(j\omega)$  exactly.

(c)  $\hat{H}(e^{j\Omega})$  is given by

$$\hat{H}(e^{j\Omega}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{H}_s \left[ j \left( \frac{\Omega}{2} - \frac{2\pi k}{2} \right) \right]$$

But  $\hat{H}_s(j\omega) = \frac{2}{3}H_s$   $(j\frac{2}{3}\omega)$ . Therefore,

$$\hat{H}(e^{j\Omega}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2}{3} H_s \left[ j \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{\Omega}{2} - \frac{2\pi k}{2} \right) \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} H_s \left[ j \left( \frac{\Omega}{3} - \frac{2\pi k}{3} \right) \right] = H(e^{j\Omega})$$

S24.9

(a) Using properties of the Laplace transform, we have

$$sY(s) = X(s)$$
, or  $H(s) = \frac{1}{s}$ 

(b) Here h is given by T, a is given by x[(n-1)T], and b is given by x(nT). Therefore, the area is given by

$$\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)h = \frac{T}{2}\left[x((n-1)T) + x(nT)\right] = A_n$$

(c) From the definition of  $\hat{y}[n]$ , we find that

$$\hat{y}[n-1] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{n-1} A_k$$

Subtracting  $\hat{y}[n-1]$  from  $\hat{y}[n]$ , we find

$$\hat{y}[n] - \hat{y}[n-1] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{n} A_k - \sum_{k=-\infty}^{n-1} A_k = A_n$$

Therefore,

$$\hat{y}[n] = \hat{y}[n-1] + A_n.$$

(d) From the answer to part (a), we substitute for  $A_n$ , yielding

$$\hat{y}[n] = \hat{y}[n-1] + \frac{T}{2}[x((n-1)T) + x(nT)]$$

$$= \hat{y}[n-1] + \frac{T}{2}\{\hat{x}[n-1] + \hat{x}[n]\}$$

(e) Using z-transforms, we find

$$\hat{Y}(z) = z^{-1}\hat{Y}(z) + \frac{T}{2}[z^{-1}\hat{X}(z) + \hat{X}(z)], 
H(z) = \frac{\hat{Y}(z)}{\hat{X}(z)} = \frac{T}{2}\left(\frac{1+z^{-1}}{1-z^{-1}}\right) = H(s)\Big|_{s=(2/T)[(1-z^{-1})/(1+z^{-1})]}$$

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