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Numerical Integration

General approach

For a given continuous-time integrator

$$H(s) = \frac{U(s)}{E(s)} = \frac{1}{s} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \dot{u}(t) = e(t) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad u(t) = \int_0^t e(\tau) d\tau$$

its output at $t = kT_s$ can be written as follows:

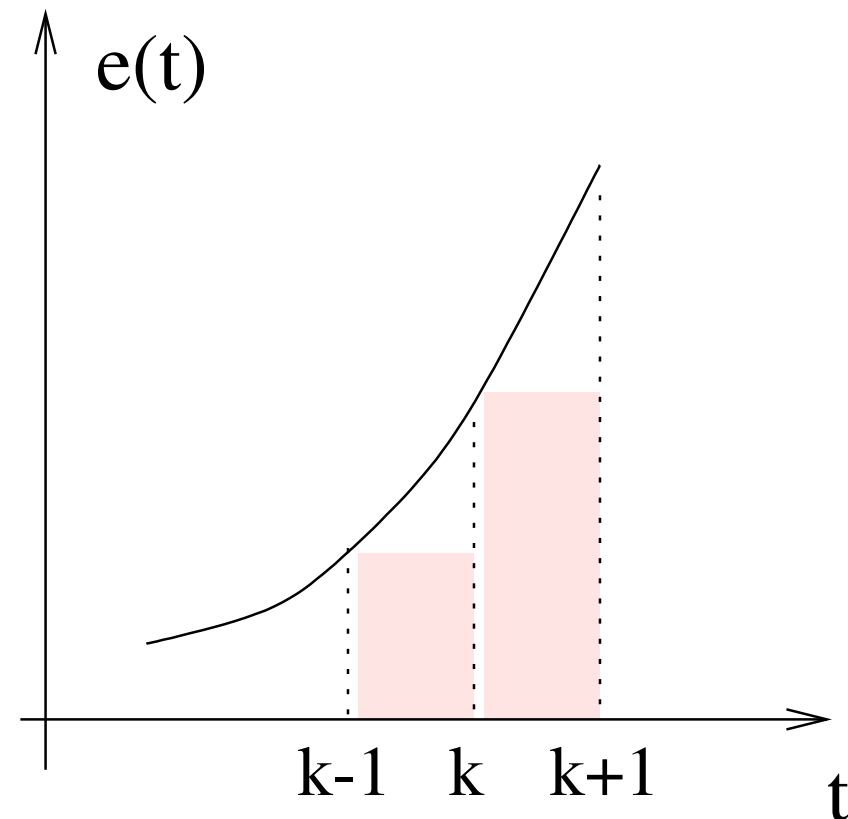
$$u(kT_s) = \int_0^{(k-1)T_s} e(\tau) d\tau + \int_{(k-1)T_s}^{kT_s} e(\tau) d\tau$$
$$u(kT_s) = u((k-1)T_s) + \begin{cases} \text{area of } e(\tau) \\ \text{over } (k-1)T_s \leq \tau < kT_s \end{cases} \quad (8.1)$$

where T_s is the sampling time.

Forward rectangular rule (=Forward Euler)

General approach

The area is approximated by the rectangle looking **forward** from $(k - 1)$ toward k with an amplitude equal to the value of the function at $(k - 1)$.



Forward rectangular rule

Mathematical approach

From equation (8.1) we have that

$$u(kT_s) = u((k-1)T_s) + T_s e((k-1)T_s)$$

By taking the \mathcal{Z} -transform we obtain the discrete equivalent of $H(s)$,

$$\begin{aligned} U(z) &= z^{-1}U(z) + T_s z^{-1}E(z) \Leftrightarrow \\ (1 - z^{-1})U(z) &= T_s z^{-1}E(z) \Leftrightarrow \frac{z-1}{T_s}U(z) = E(z) \end{aligned}$$

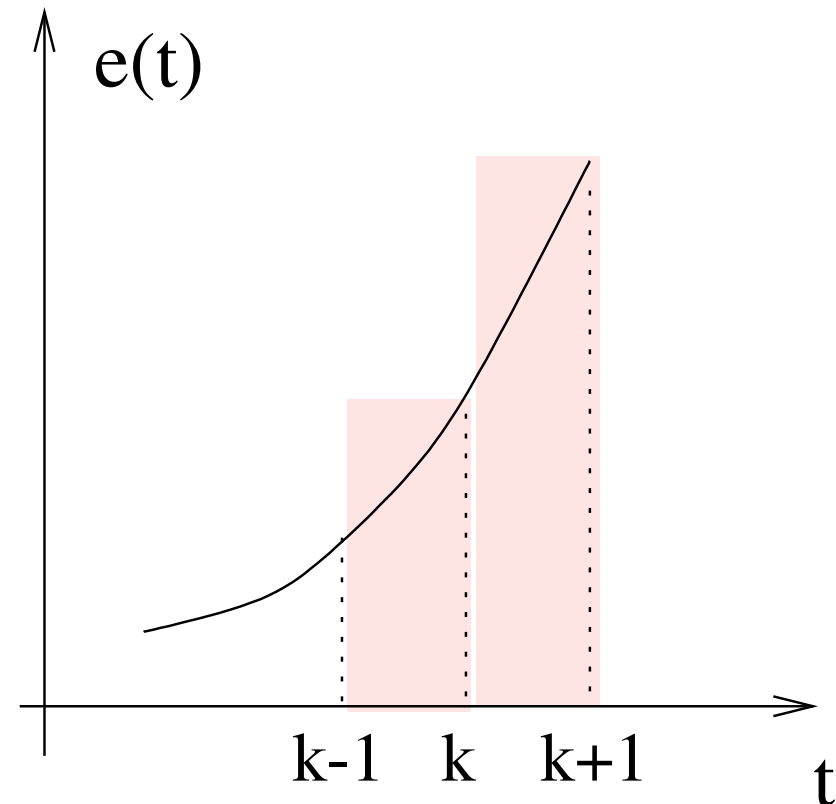
This means that we need to apply the following substitution in order to discretize a given continuous-time transfer function:

$$s \leftarrow \frac{z-1}{T_s} \quad (8.2)$$

Backward rectangular rule (=Backward Euler)

General approach

The area is approximated by the rectangle looking **backward** from k toward $(k - 1)$ with an amplitude equal to the value of the function at k .



Backward rectangular rule

Mathematical approach

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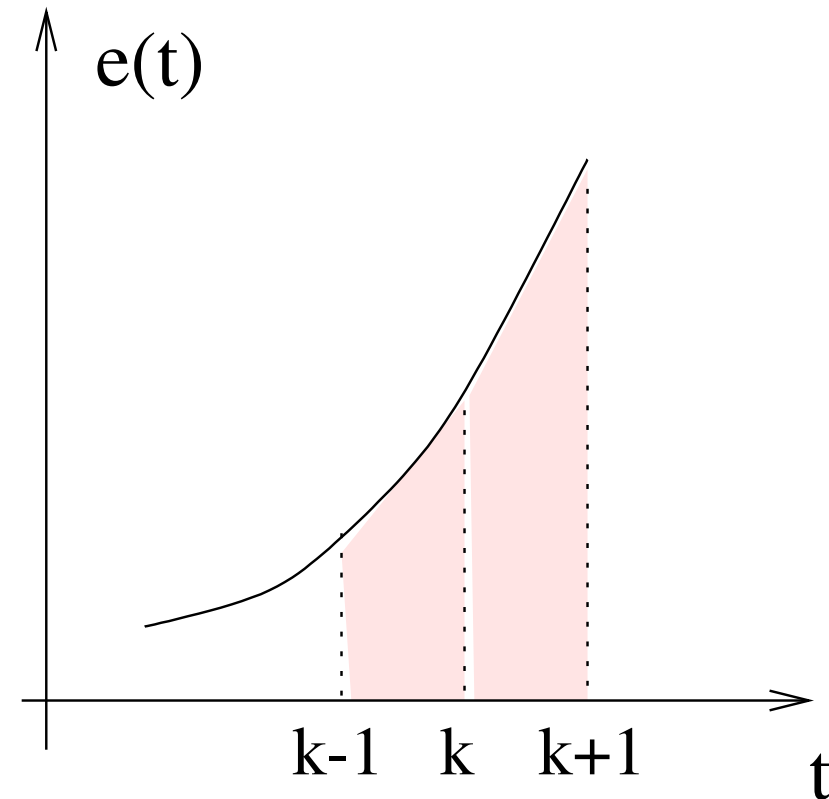
This means that we need to apply the following substitution in order to discretize a given continuous-time transfer function:

$$s \leftarrow \frac{z-1}{zT_s} \quad (8.3)$$

Bilinear rule (= trapezoidal or Tustin rule)

General approach

This method makes use of the area of the **trapezoid** formed by the average of the selected rectangles used in the forward and backward rectangular rule. Thus the amplitude equal to the value of the function at $(k - 1)$ and the amplitude equal to the value of the function at (k) are connected by a line as shown in the illustration.



Bilinear transformation

Mathematical approach

From equation (8.1) we have that

$$u(kT_s) = u((k-1)T_s) + T_s \frac{e(kT_s) + e((k-1)T_s)}{2}$$

By taking the \mathcal{Z} -transform we obtain the discrete equivalent of $H(s)$,

$$\begin{aligned} U(z) &= z^{-1}U(z) + \frac{T_s}{2}(E(z) + z^{-1}E(z)) \Leftrightarrow \\ (1 - z^{-1})U(z) &= \frac{T_s}{2}(1 + z^{-1})E(z) \Leftrightarrow \frac{2}{T_s} \frac{z-1}{z+1} U(z) = E(z) \end{aligned}$$

This means that we need to apply the following substitution in order to discretize a given continuous-time transfer function:

$$s \leftarrow \frac{2}{T_s} \frac{z-1}{z+1} \quad (8.4)$$

Bilinear rule

Example

Given:

$$H(s) = \frac{s+1}{0.1s+1}$$

We now apply substitution (8.4):

$$H(z) = \frac{(2+T)(T-2)z^{-1}}{(0.2+T)+(T-0.2)z^{-1}}$$

Using $T=0.25s$, this results in:

$$H(z) = \frac{5(z-0.7778)}{z+0.1111}$$

Discretization of state-space models

General approach applied on Forward Euler

Given the following continuous-time model in state-space form:

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

$$sX = AX + BU$$

$$y = Cx + Du$$

$$Y = CX + DU$$

If we use the Forward Euler method, we have that s is replaced by $\frac{z-1}{T_s}$, so we can find the discrete-time equivalent as follows:

$$\frac{z-1}{T_s}X = AX + BU$$

$$Y = CX + DU$$

Discretization of state-space models

General approach applied on Forward Euler

Which leads to the following

$$\begin{aligned}zX &= (I - AT_s)X + BT_sU \\x(k+1) &= (I - AT_s)x(k) + (BT_s)u(k) \\x(k+1) &= A_dx(k) + B_d u(k)\end{aligned}$$

The output equation $Y = CX + DU$ remains.

Discretization of state-space models

State-space models

A similar calculation can be done for the backward rectangular rule and the bilinear transformation resulting in the following table:

	Euler	backward rect.	bilinear transf.
A_d	$I + AT_s$	$(I - AT_s)^{-1}$	$(I - \frac{AT_s}{2})^{-1}(I + \frac{AT_s}{2})$
B_d	BT_s	$(I - AT_s)^{-1}BT_s$	$(I - \frac{AT_s}{2})^{-1}BT_s$
C_d	C	$C(I - AT_s)^{-1}$	$C(I - \frac{AT_s}{2})^{-1}$
D_d	D	$D + C(I - AT_s)^{-1}BT_s$	$D + C(I - \frac{AT_s}{2})^{-1}\frac{BT_s}{2}$

Stability of the numerical integration methods

Stability

As already mentioned, a discrete system is stable when its poles lie within the unit circle of the z-plane and a continuous system is stable when its poles have a negative real part in the s-plane. Subsequently the $(s = j\omega)$ -axis is the boundary between poles of stable and unstable continuous systems.

Each of the discretization methods can be considered as a map from the s-plane to the z-plane. It is interesting to know how the $j\omega$ -axis is mapped by every rule and where the stable part of the s-plane appears in the z-plane. This can be realized by solving formulas (8.2-8.3) to z and replacing s by $j\omega$.

Stability of the numerical integration methods

Boundaries of the stable regions

Expressions of z in terms of s :

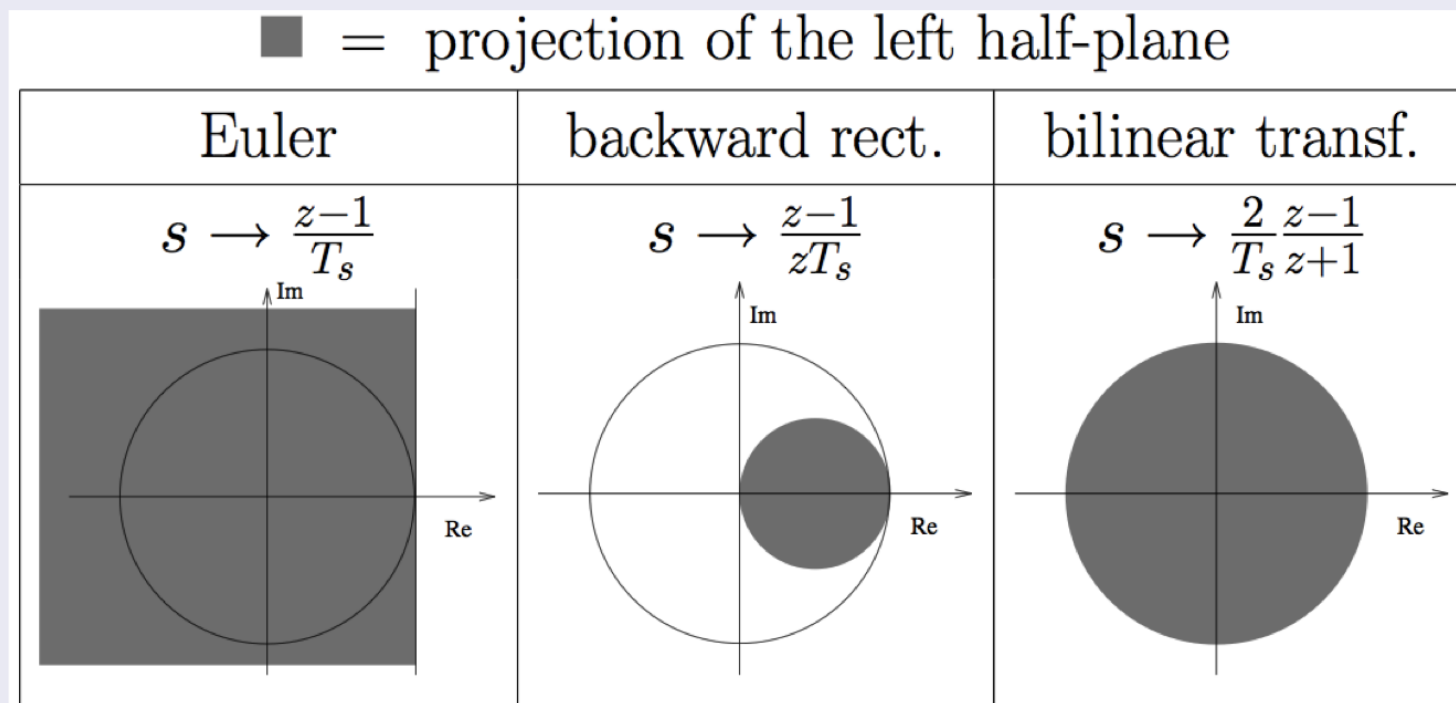
- $z = 1 + T_s s$
- $z = \frac{1}{1 - T_s s}$
- $z = \frac{1 + T_s \frac{s}{2}}{1 - T_s \frac{s}{2}}$

By substituting s by $j\omega$ the boundaries of the regions in the z -plane, which originate from the stable portion of the s -plane, are obtained.

Stability of the numerical integration methods

Graphical representation

Stable s-plane poles map onto the shaded regions in the z-plane.
The unit circle is shown for reference.



Stability of the numerical integration methods

Mapping of the left-hand-s-plane

- Forward Euler: a stable continuous-time system may become unstable after discretization;
- Backward Euler: a stable continuous-time system will stay stable after discretization, but the number of degrees of freedom is restricted;
- Bilinear transformation: the entire left-hand-plane is mapped into the unit circle.

Bilinear rule with prewarping

Distortion

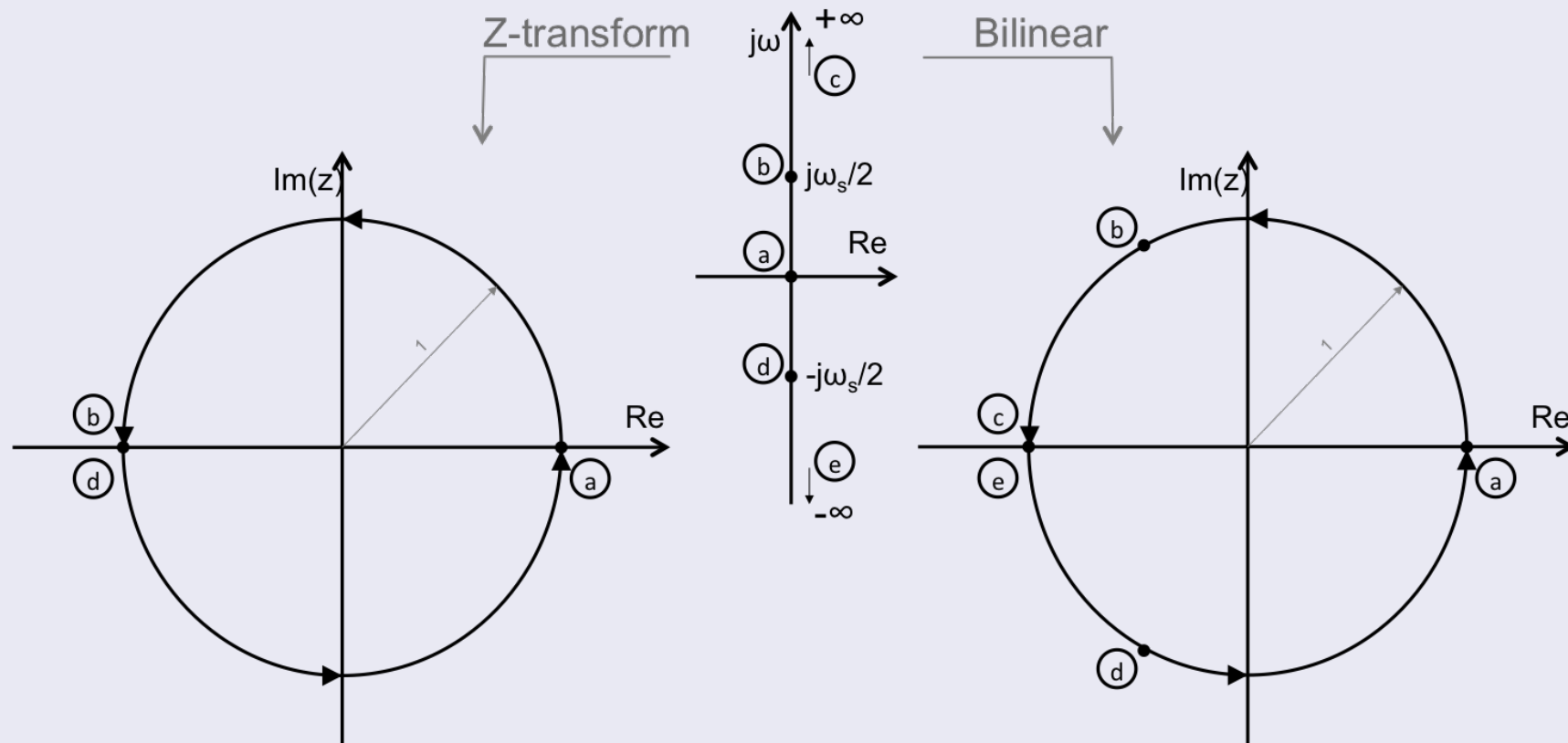
Looking at the graphical representation of the stability on the previous slide, you can see that the bilinear rule maps the stable region of the s -plane into the stable region of the z -plane. The entire $j\omega$ -axis is compressed into the 2π -length of the unit circle, causing a frequency distortion.

Origin of prewarping

On the next slide you can see that when we compare the \mathcal{Z} -transform with the bilinear transformation, points b and d in the s -plane are mapped onto different points in the z -plane. $(-1 + 0j)$ can only be reached by the bilinear rule when ω goes to infinity.

Bilinear rule with prewarping

Origin of prewarping



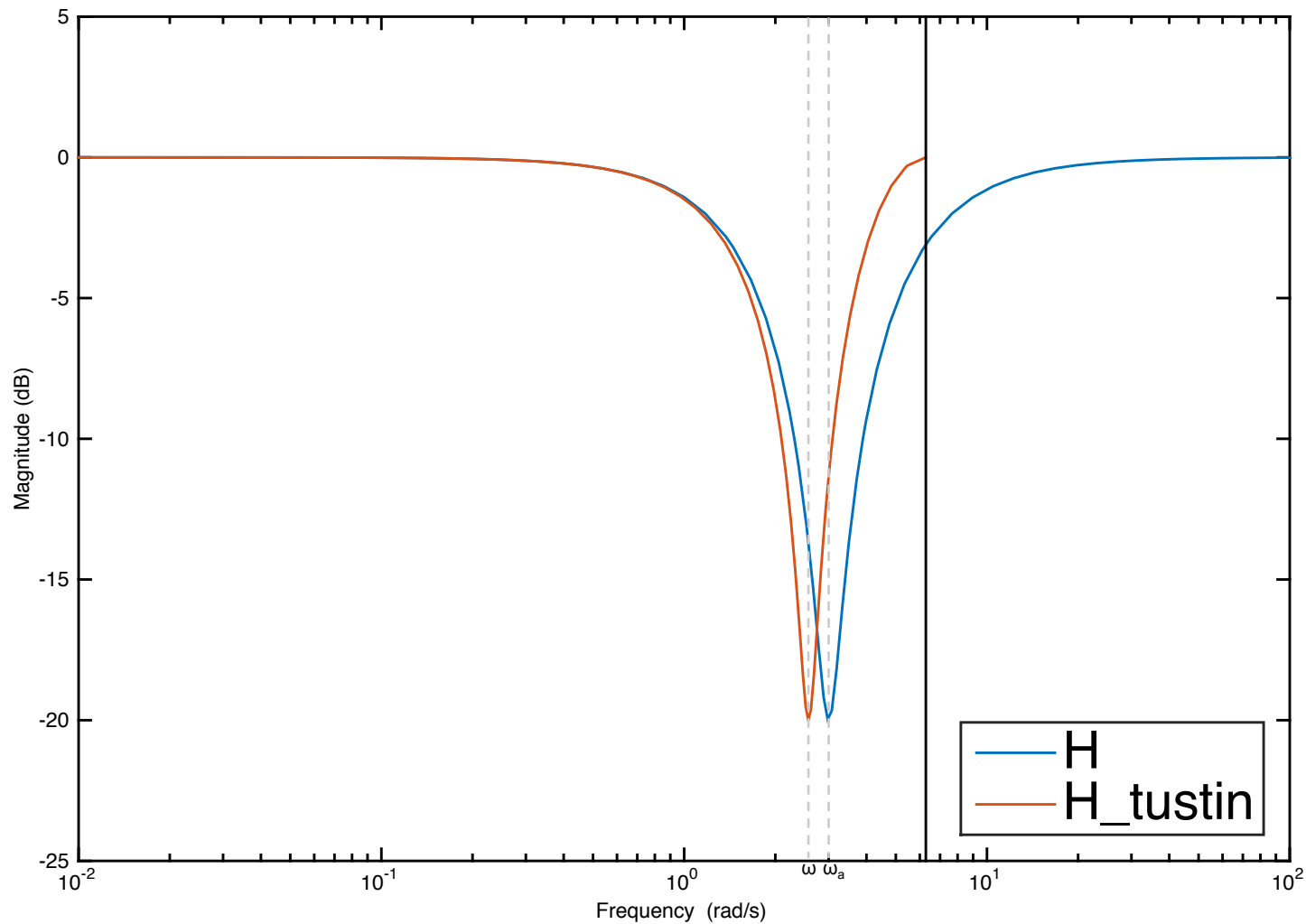
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Distortion: frequency domain

The bilinear rule causes every feature that is visible in the frequency response of the continuous-time filter to also be visible in the discrete-time filter, but at a different frequency. However, at low frequencies, the same behaviour of the function is guaranteed. This is illustrated by the figure on the next slide.

When the actual frequency of ω is input to the discrete-time filter designed by use of the bilinear transform, it is desired to know at what frequency, ω_a , for the continuous-time filter that this ω is mapped to.

Bilinear rule with prewarping



Bilinear rule with prewarping

ω_a with input ω

We now look for a relation between ω_a and ω , using the 's-domain'-
'z-domain' relation $z = e^{sT}$ and the substitution $s = j\omega$:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{2}{T_s} \frac{z-1}{z+1} \right)_{z=e^{j\omega T_s}} &= \frac{2}{T_s} \frac{e^{j\omega T_s} - 1}{e^{j\omega T_s} + 1} \\ &= \frac{2}{T_s} \frac{e^{j\omega T_s/2} (e^{j\omega T_s/2} - e^{-j\omega T_s/2})}{e^{j\omega T_s/2} (e^{j\omega T_s/2} + e^{-j\omega T_s/2})} \\ &= j \frac{2}{T_s} \frac{\sin(\omega T_s/2)}{\cos(\omega T_s/2)} \\ &= j \frac{2}{T_s} \tan\left(\frac{\omega T_s}{2}\right) = j\omega_a \end{aligned}$$

Bilinear rule with prewarping

Frequency warping

The discrete-time system has the same behavior at frequency ω as the continuous-time system at frequency $\omega_a = \frac{2}{T_s} \tan\left(\frac{\omega T_s}{2}\right)$.

Specifically, the gain and phase shift that the discrete-time filter has at frequency ω is the same gain and phase shift that the continuous-time filter has at frequency $\omega_a = \frac{2}{T_s} \tan\left(\frac{\omega T_s}{2}\right)$.

This effect of the non-linear relation between ω and ω_a is called **frequency warping**.

Bilinear rule with prewarping

Frequency prewarping

In certain situations, however, we really want the characteristics to be conserved during the discretization.

By setting $\omega_a = \frac{2}{T} \tan\left(\frac{\omega T}{2}\right)$ for every frequency specification that the designer has control over, the frequency warping will be compensated. This is called **frequency prewarping**.

The digital filter can be made to match the frequency response of the continuous filter at frequency ω_0 if the following transformation is substituted into the continuous filter transfer function:

$$s \leftarrow \frac{\omega_0}{\tan\left(\frac{\omega_0 T_s}{2}\right)} \frac{z-1}{z+1} \quad (8.4)$$

Bilinear rule with prewarping

