LTI Systems and Filtering

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Linear Time-Invariant (LTI) Systems

$$y(t) = T[x(t)]$$

Mapping of $x(t)$ to $y(t)$

System

Operator

$$T [x_1(t) + x_2(t)] = T [x_1(t)] + T [x_2(t)] = y_1(t) + y_2(t)$$

$$T \left[\alpha x(t) \right] = \alpha T \left[x(t) \right] = \alpha y(t)$$

$$\mathsf{T}\left[x(t-t_0)\right] = y(t-t_0)$$

Impulse response and response to an arbitrary input

$$y(t) = T \left[x(t) \right] \qquad \xrightarrow{x(t)} \qquad \xrightarrow{\text{System}} \qquad \xrightarrow{y(t)}$$

$$h(t) = T \left[\delta(t) \right] \begin{array}{l} impulse \\ response \end{array}$$

If h(t) = 0 for t < 0 the system is called *causal*.

$$x(t) = \delta(t) * x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - \tau) x(\tau) d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau) x(t - \tau) d\tau$$

$$T\left[x(t)\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} T\left[\delta(t-\tau)\right] x(\tau) d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t-\tau) x(\tau) d\tau = h(t) * x(t)$$

The response y(t) of an LTI system to an arbitrary input x(t) is given by

$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)x(t - \tau)d\tau$$

Commutative property of convolution

Frequency response

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Let us apply the Fourier transform

$$X(\omega) = F[x(t)]$$
 $H(\omega) = F[h(t)]$ $Y(\omega) = F[y(t)]$
 $y(t) = h(t) * x(t)$ \rightarrow $Y(\omega) = X(\omega)H(\omega)$

$$H(\omega) = \frac{Y(\omega)}{X(\omega)}$$
 frequency response (or transfer function)

Frequency response

$$\mathsf{T}\begin{bmatrix} e^{j\omega t} \end{bmatrix} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)e^{j\omega(t-\tau)}d\tau = \begin{bmatrix} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)e^{-j\omega\tau}d\tau \end{bmatrix}e^{j\omega t} = H(\omega)e^{j\omega t}$$
Complex exponential
$$\mathsf{T}\begin{bmatrix} e^{j\omega t} \end{bmatrix} = H(\omega)e^{j\omega t}$$

Filter characteristics of LTI systems

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$$T [e^{j\omega t}] = H(\omega)e^{j\omega t}$$

 $H(\omega)$ is called the frequency response

$$H(\omega) = |H(\omega)| e^{j\theta_h(\omega)}$$

If impulse response h(t) is real-valued, then

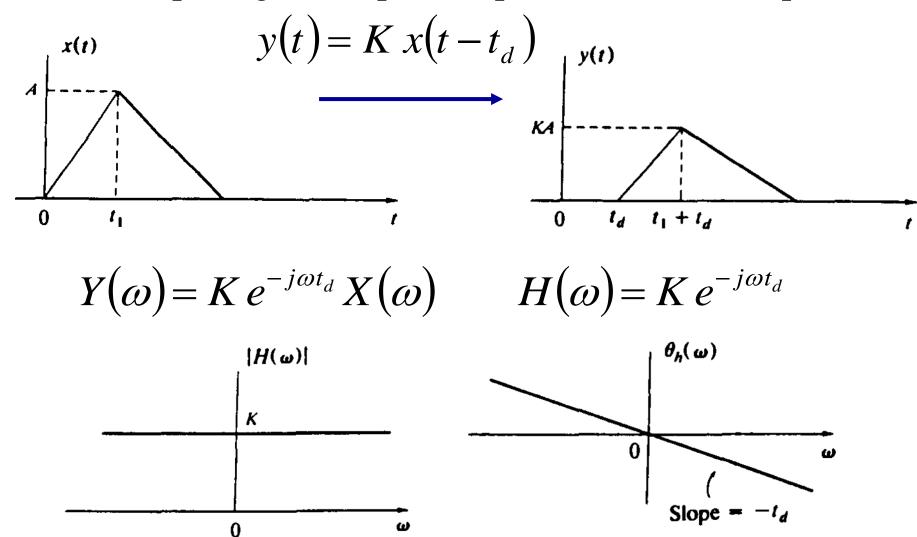
$$H(-\omega)=H^*(\omega)$$

which means

$$|H(-\omega)| = |H(\omega)|$$
 $\theta_h(-\omega) = -\theta_h(\omega)$
an even function an odd function

Transmission of signals through LTI systems

For distortionless transmission through a system, we require the exact input signal shape be reproduced at the output



Filters

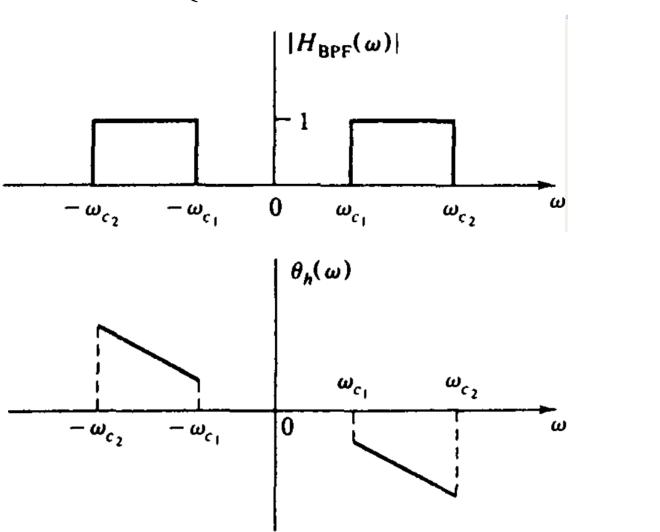
An **ideal filter** implements distortionless transmission over one or more specified frequency bands and has zero response at all other frequencies.

An ideal bandpass filter (BPF)

$$H_{\text{BPF}}(\omega) = \begin{cases} e^{-j\omega t_d} & \text{for } \omega_{c_1} \le |\omega| \le \omega_{c_2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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= $T[x_1(t)] + T[x_2(t)]$

$$T[\alpha x(t)] = [\alpha x(t)]\cos\omega_c t = \alpha T[x(t)]$$

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 $\neq T[x_1(t)] + T[x_2(t)]$

Since

$$T[x_1(t)] + T[x_2(t)] = [A + x_1(t)]\cos\omega_c t + [A + x_2(t)]\cos\omega_c t$$
$$= [2A + x_1(t) + x_2(t)]\cos\omega_c t$$

This is not a linear system

Consider the following system:

$$T[x(t)] = y(t) = x(t) \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT)$$
 Ideal sampler

Is this system linear?

Let
$$x(t) = x_1(t) + x_1(t)$$

 $y(t) = [x_1(t) + x_2(t)]\delta_T(t) = x_1(t)\delta_T(t) + x_2(t)\delta_T(t)$
 $= y_1(t) + y_2(t)$

Let
$$x(t) = \alpha x_1(t)$$
, $y_1(t) = T[x_1(t)] = x_1(t) \delta_T(t)$

Then
$$y(t) = [\alpha x_1(t)]\delta_T(t) = \alpha[x_1(t)]\delta_T(t)] = \alpha y_1(t)$$

So it is a linear system

Is this system time-invariant?

Check it for

$$x_1(t) = \cos\frac{2\pi t}{T}$$
 and $x_2(t) = x_1\left(t - \frac{T}{4}\right) = \sin\frac{2\pi t}{T}$

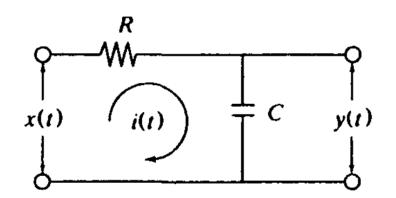
$$T [x(t)] = y(t) = x(t) \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT) = \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} x(nT) \delta(t - nT)$$
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$$y_1(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \cos \frac{2\pi nT}{T} \delta(t - nT) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT)$$

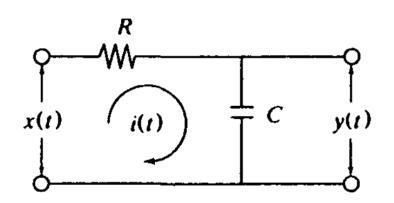
$$y_2(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sin \frac{2\pi nT}{T} \delta(t - nT) = 0 \neq y_1\left(t - \frac{T}{4}\right)$$

The system is NOT time-invariant

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Solution. T
$$\left[e^{j\omega t}\right] = H(\omega)e^{j\omega t}$$

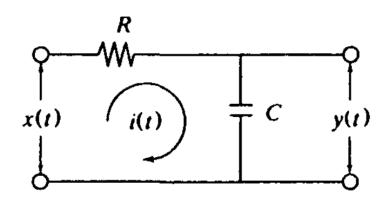
$$V_m \cos(\omega t + \varphi) = \text{Re}[V_m e^{j\varphi} e^{j\omega t}]$$
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$$H(\omega) = \frac{1/j\omega C}{R + 1/j\omega C} = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC}$$

Now inverse Fourier transform of $H(\omega)$ yields h(t).

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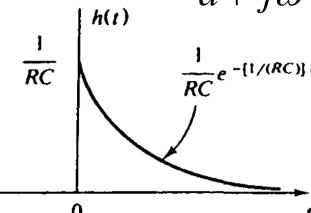
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$$H(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t)e^{-j\omega t}dt = a\int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-at}e^{-j\omega t}dt = \frac{a}{a+j\omega}$$

$$a = 1/RC$$

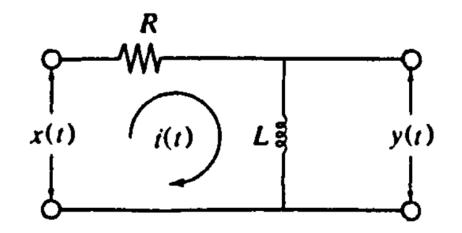
$$\frac{1}{RC} = \frac{1}{RC}e^{-(1/(RC))t}$$

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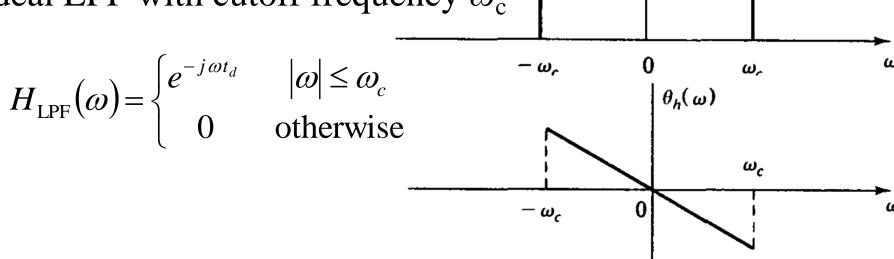
Solution.

$$x(t)$$
 $i(t)$
 $L^{\frac{1}{2}}$
 $y(t)$

$$H(\omega) = \frac{j\omega L}{R + j\omega L} = \frac{j(\omega/\omega_0)}{1 + j(\omega/\omega_0)}, \quad \omega_0 = R/L$$

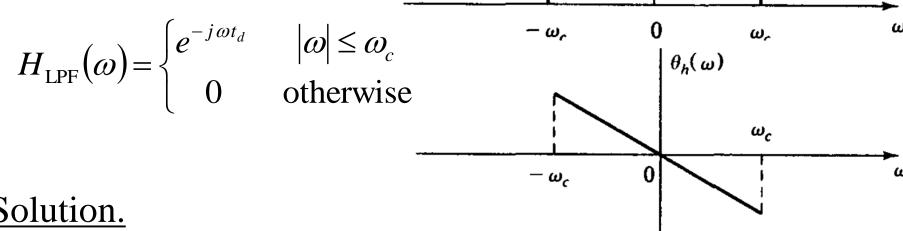
$$\begin{aligned} |H(\omega)| &= \frac{j(\omega/\omega_0)}{1+j(\omega/\omega_0)} \\ &= \frac{|j(\omega/\omega_0)|}{|1+j(\omega/\omega_0)|} = \frac{(\omega/\omega_0)}{\sqrt{1+(\omega/\omega_0)^2}} \end{aligned}$$

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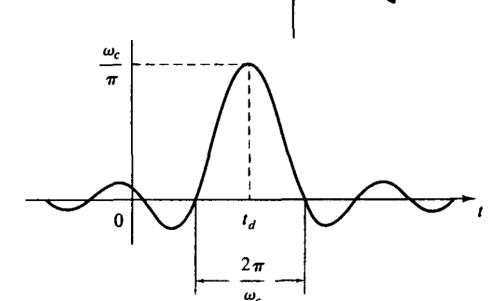


Solution.

$$H(\omega) = F[h(t)]$$

$$h(t) = \mathsf{F}^{-1}[H(\omega)]$$

$$h_{\text{LPF}}(t) = \frac{\sin \omega_c(t - t_d)}{\pi(t - t_d)}$$

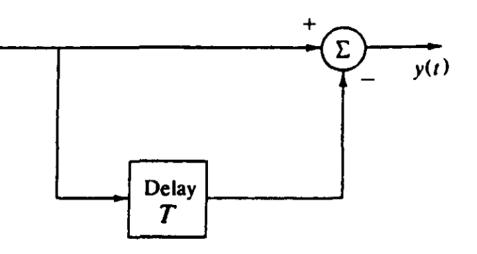


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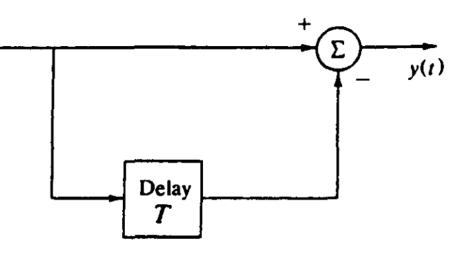
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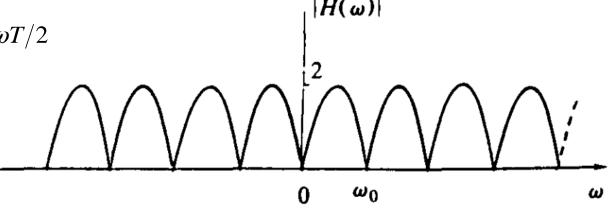
Solution.

$$h(t) = \mathcal{S}(t) - \mathcal{S}(t-T)$$

$$H(\omega) = F[h(t)] = 1 - e^{-j\omega T} = e^{-j\omega T/2} (e^{j\omega T/2} - e^{-j\omega T/2})$$

x(t)

$$=2\sin\left(\frac{\omega T}{2}\right)e^{-j\omega T/2}$$

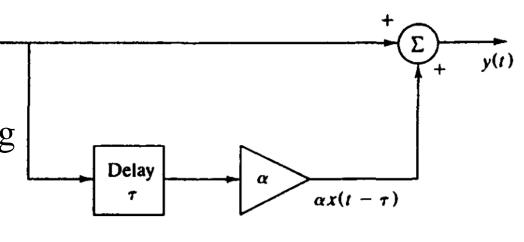


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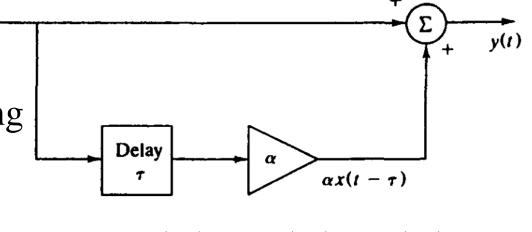
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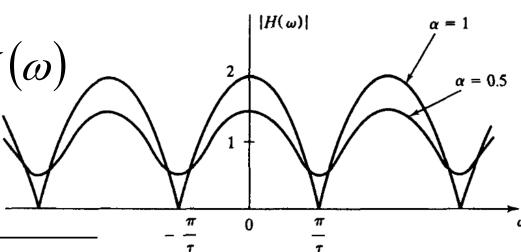
Solution.

$$y(t) = x(t) + \alpha x(t - \tau)$$

$$Y(\omega) = X(\omega) + \alpha e^{-j\omega\tau} X(\omega)$$



$$H(\omega) = Y(\omega)/X(\omega)$$
$$H(\omega) = 1 + \alpha e^{-j\omega\tau}$$



$$|H(\omega)| = \sqrt{1 + \alpha^2 + 2\alpha \cos \omega \tau}$$

Frequency response

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