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# Frequency Response

- Learning Objectives:
  - Use knowledge of the frequency response to determine what type of filter a circuit represent.

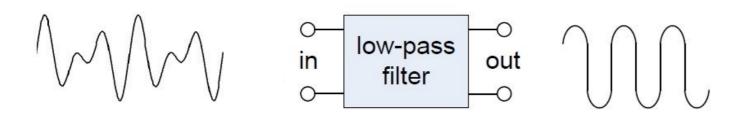
Generate magnitude frequency plots for high and low

pass-filters.



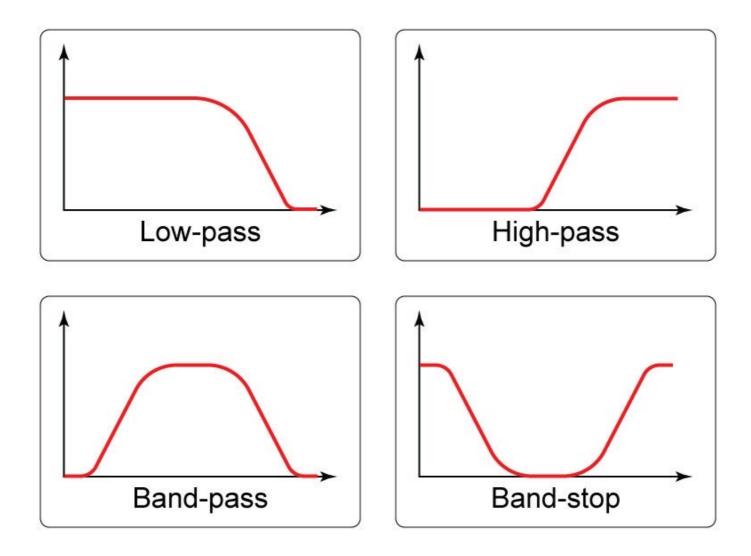
### Passive Filters

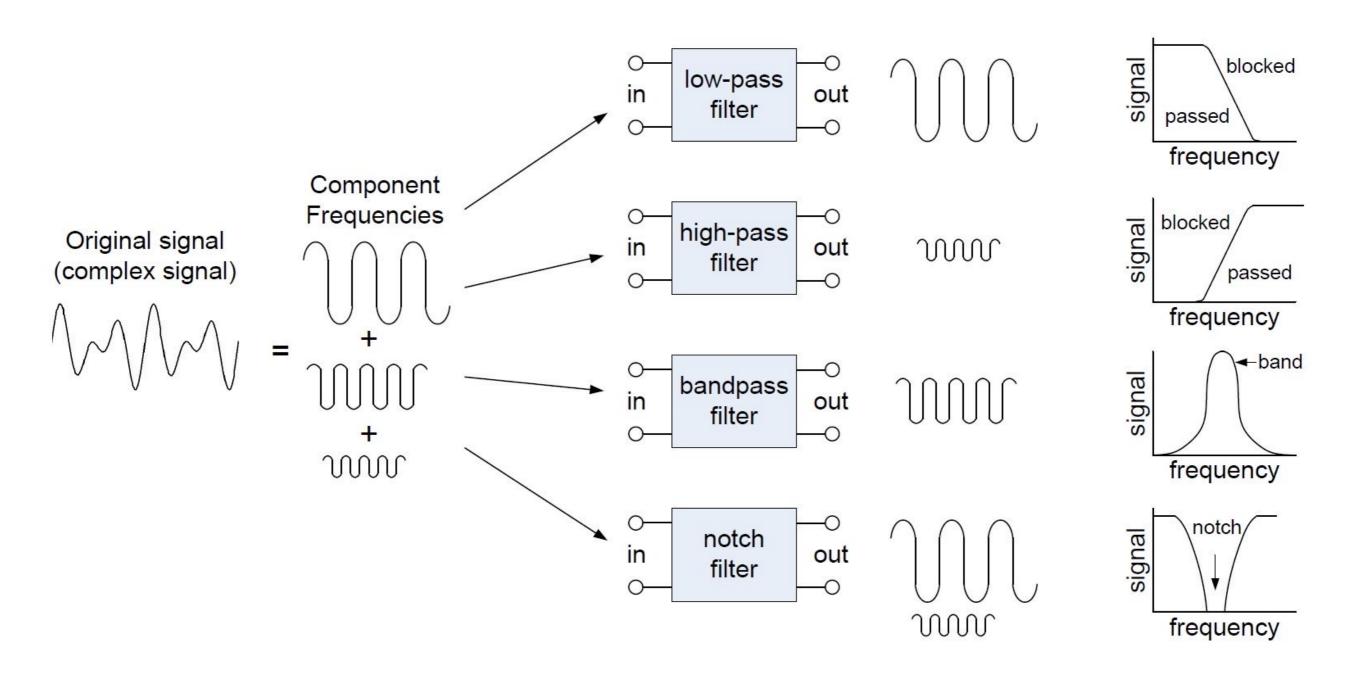
- A Passive Filter is a circuit that can be designed to modify, reshape or reject all unwanted high frequencies of an electrical signal and accept or pass only those signals wanted by the circuit designer.
- Passive filters are made up of passive components such as resistors, capacitors and inductors and have no amplifying elements (transistors, op-amps, etc) so have no signal gain, therefore their output level is always less than the input.



### Passive Filters

 Filters are so named according to the frequency range of signals that they allow to pass through them, while blocking or "attenuating" the rest. The most commonly used filter designs are the:



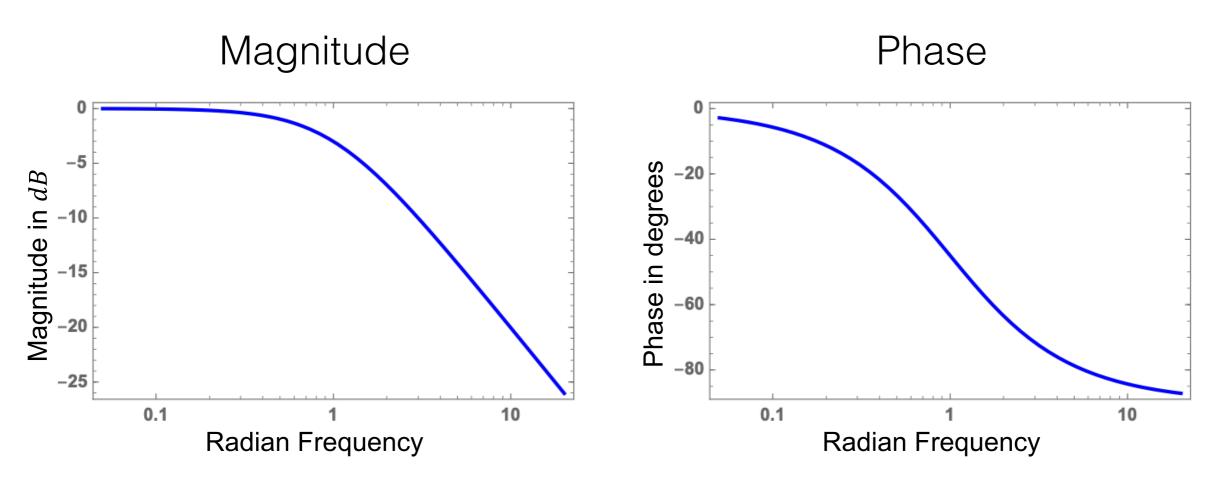


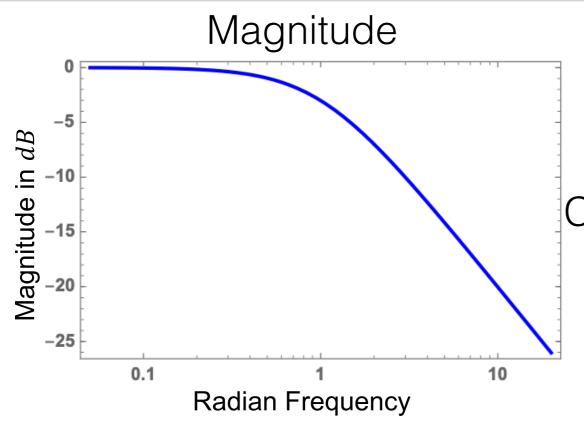
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#### When is it filtering enough??

Corner frequency or half-power frequency is the point where more signal is being filtered out than let through.

## Poles and Zeros