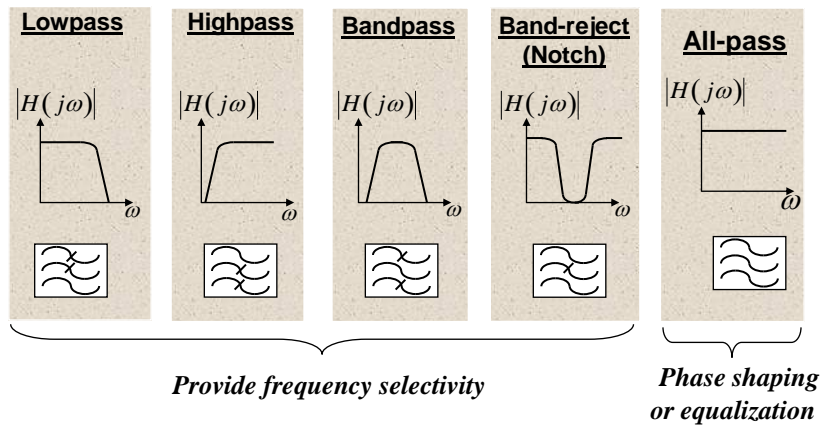


## EE247 - Lecture 2 Filters

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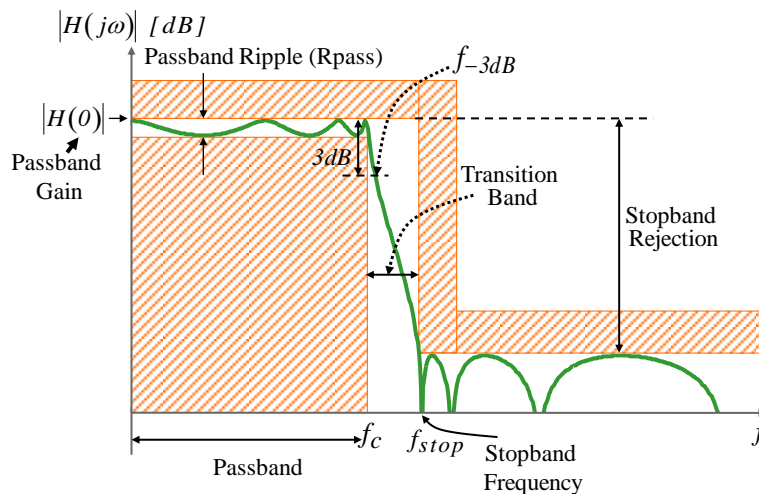
### Nomenclature Filter Types wrt Frequency Range Selectivity



# Filter Specifications

- Magnitude response versus frequency characteristics:
  - Passband ripple ( $R_{pass}$ )
  - Cutoff frequency or  $-3dB$  frequency
  - Stopband rejection
  - Passband gain
- Phase characteristics:
  - Group delay
- SNR (Dynamic range)
- SNDR (Signal to Noise+Distortion ratio)
- Linearity measures: IM3 (intermodulation distortion), HD3 (harmonic distortion), IIP3 or OIP3 (Input-referred or output-referred third order intercept point)
- Area/pole & Power/pole

## Filter Magnitude versus Frequency Characteristics Example: Lowpass



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## Quality Factor ( $Q$ )

- The term quality factor ( $Q$ ) has different definitions in different contexts:
  - Component quality factor (inductor & capacitor  $Q$ )
  - Pole quality factor
  - Bandpass filter quality factor
- Next 3 slides clarifies each

## Component Quality Factor ( $Q$ )

- For any component with a transfer function:

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{I}{R(\omega) + jX(\omega)}$$

- Quality factor is defined as:

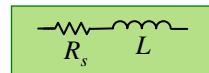
$$Q = \frac{X(\omega)}{R(\omega)} \rightarrow \frac{\text{Energy Stored}}{\text{Average Power Dissipation}} \text{ per unit time}$$

## Component Quality Factor ( $Q$ ) Inductor & Capacitor Quality Factor

- Inductor  $Q$  :

❖  $R_s \rightarrow$  series parasitic resistance

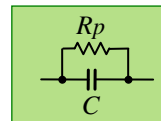
$$Y_L = \frac{I}{R_s + j\omega L} \quad Q_L = \frac{\omega L}{R_s}$$



- Capacitor  $Q$  :

❖  $R_p \rightarrow$  parallel parasitic resistance

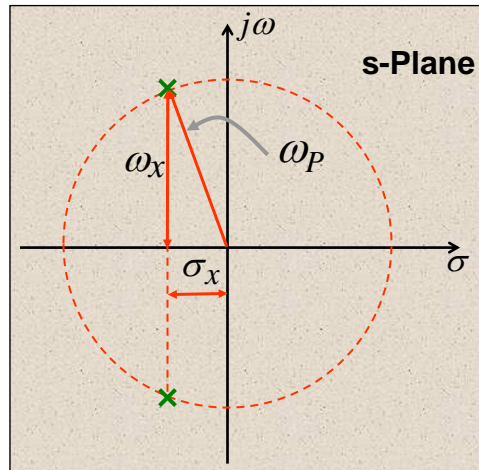
$$Z_C = \frac{I}{\frac{1}{R_p} + j\omega C} \quad Q_C = \omega C R_p$$



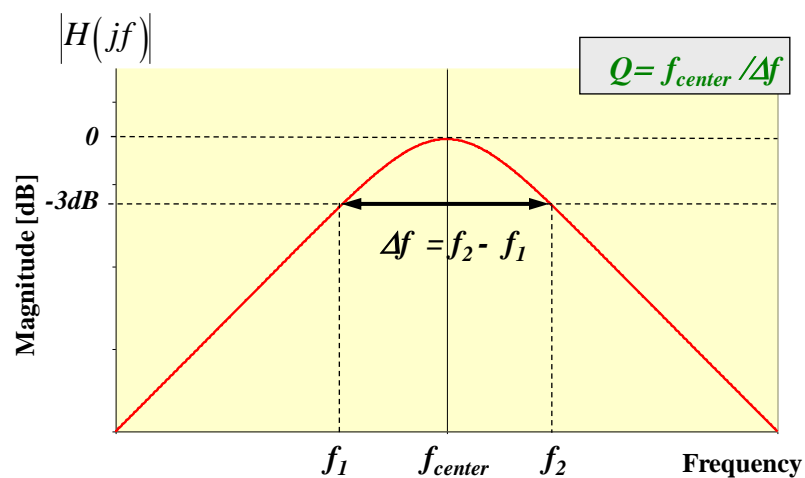
## Pole Quality Factor

- Typically filter singularities include pairs of complex conjugate poles.
- Quality factor of complex conjugate poles are defined as:

$$Q_{Pole} = \frac{\omega_p}{2\sigma_x}$$



## Bandpass Filter Quality Factor ( $Q$ )



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## What is Group Delay?

- Consider a continuous-time filter with s-domain transfer function  $G(s)$ :

$$\mathbf{G(j\omega)} \equiv |\mathbf{G(j\omega)}| e^{j\theta(\omega)}$$

- Let us apply a signal to the filter input composed of sum of two sine waves at slightly different frequencies ( $\Delta\omega \ll \omega$ ):

$$\mathbf{v_{IN}(t)} = \mathbf{A_1 \sin(\omega t)} + \mathbf{A_2 \sin[(\omega + \Delta\omega) t]}$$

- The filter output is:

$$\mathbf{v_{OUT}(t)} = \mathbf{A_1 |G(j\omega)| \sin[\omega t + \theta(\omega)]} +$$

$$\mathbf{A_2 |G[j(\omega + \Delta\omega)]| \sin[(\omega + \Delta\omega)t + \theta(\omega + \Delta\omega)]}$$

## What is Group Delay?

$$v_{\text{OUT}}(t) = A_1 |G(j\omega)| \sin \left\{ \omega \left[ t + \frac{\theta(\omega)}{\omega} \right] \right\} +$$

$$+ A_2 |G[j(\omega+\Delta\omega)]| \sin \left\{ (\omega+\Delta\omega) \left[ t + \frac{\theta(\omega+\Delta\omega)}{\omega+\Delta\omega} \right] \right\}$$

Since  $\frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega} \ll 1$  then  $\left[\frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega}\right]^2 \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{\theta(\omega+\Delta\omega)}{\omega+\Delta\omega} \cong \left[ \theta(\omega) + \frac{d\theta(\omega)}{d\omega} \Delta\omega \right] \left[ \frac{1}{\omega} \left( 1 - \frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega} \right) \right]$$

$$\cong \frac{\theta(\omega)}{\omega} + \left( \frac{d\theta(\omega)}{d\omega} - \frac{\theta(\omega)}{\omega} \right) \frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega}$$

## What is Group Delay? Signal Magnitude and Phase Impairment

$$v_{\text{OUT}}(t) = A_1 |G(j\omega)| \sin \left\{ \omega \left[ t + \frac{\theta(\omega)}{\omega} \right] \right\} +$$

$$+ A_2 |G[j(\omega+\Delta\omega)]| \sin \left\{ (\omega+\Delta\omega) \left[ t + \frac{\theta(\omega)}{\omega} + \underbrace{\left( \frac{d\theta(\omega)}{d\omega} - \frac{\theta(\omega)}{\omega} \right) \frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega}}_{\delta} \right] \right\}$$

- $\tau_{\text{PD}} \equiv -\theta(\omega)/\omega$  is called the "phase delay" and has units of time
  - If the delay term  $\delta$  is zero  $\rightarrow$  the filter's output at frequency  $\omega+\Delta\omega$  and the output at frequency  $\omega$  are each delayed in time by  $-\theta(\omega)/\omega$
  - If the term  $\delta$  is non-zero  $\rightarrow$  the filter's output at frequency  $\omega+\Delta\omega$  is time-shifted differently than the filter's output at frequency  $\omega$
- $\rightarrow$  "Phase distortion"

## What is Group Delay? Signal Magnitude and Phase Impairment

- Phase distortion is avoided only if:

$$\frac{d\theta(\omega)}{d\omega} - \frac{\theta(\omega)}{\omega} = 0$$

- Clearly, if  $\theta(\omega)=k\omega$ ,  $k$  a constant,  $\rightarrow$  no phase distortion
- This type of filter phase response is called “linear phase”  
 $\rightarrow$  Phase shift varies linearly with frequency
- $\tau_{GR} \equiv -d\theta(\omega)/d\omega$  is called the “group delay” and also has units of time. For a linear phase filter  $\tau_{GR} \equiv \tau_{PD} = -k$   
 $\rightarrow \tau_{GR} = \tau_{PD}$  implies linear phase
- Note: Filters with  $\theta(\omega)=k\omega+c$  are also called linear phase filters, but they're not free of phase distortion

## What is Group Delay? Signal Magnitude and Phase Impairment

- If  $\tau_{GR} = \tau_{PD} \rightarrow$  No phase distortion

$$\begin{aligned} v_{OUT}(t) = & A_1 |G(j\omega)| \sin \left[ \omega (t - \tau_{GR}) \right] + \\ & + A_2 |G[j(\omega+\Delta\omega)]| \sin \left[ (\omega+\Delta\omega) (t - \tau_{GR}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

- If also  $|G(j\omega)| = |G[j(\omega+\Delta\omega)]|$  for all input frequencies within the signal-band,  $v_{OUT}$  is a scaled, time-shifted replica of the input, with no “signal magnitude distortion”
- In most cases neither of these conditions are exactly realizable



## Summary Group Delay

- Phase delay is defined as:

$$\tau_{PD} \equiv -\theta(\omega)/\omega \quad [\text{time}]$$


- Group delay is defined as :

$$\tau_{GR} \equiv -d\theta(\omega)/d\omega \quad [\text{time}]$$

- If  $\theta(\omega)=k\omega$ ,  $k$  a constant,  $\rightarrow$  no phase distortion

- For a linear phase filter  $\tau_{GR} \equiv \tau_{PD} = -k$

## Filters

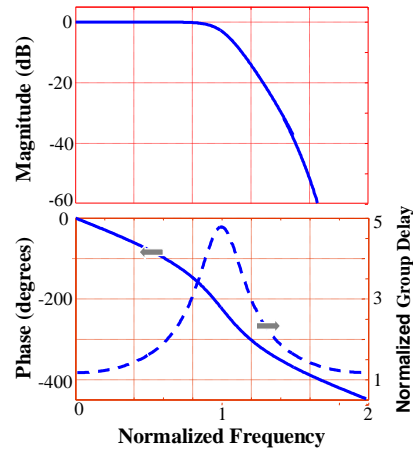
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  -  – Filter types (examples considered all lowpass, the highpass and bandpass versions similar characteristics)
    - Butterworth
    - Chebyshev I & II
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## Filter Types wrt Frequency Response Lowpass Butterworth Filter

- Maximally flat amplitude within the filter passband

$$\left. \frac{d^N |H(j\omega)|}{d\omega} \right|_{\omega=0} = 0$$

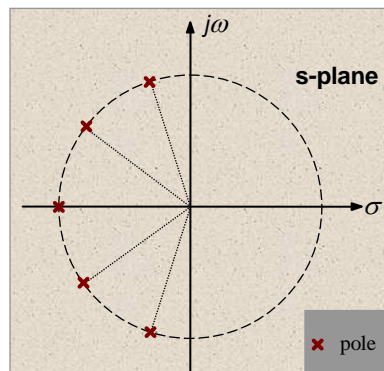
- Moderate phase distortion



Example: 5th Order Butterworth filter

## Lowpass Butterworth Filter

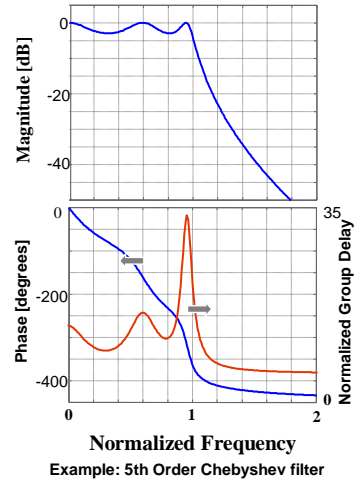
- All poles
- Number of poles equal to filter order
- Poles located on the unit circle with equal angles



Example: 5th Order Butterworth Filter

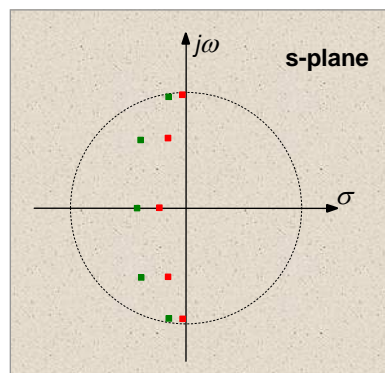
## Filter Types Chebyshev I Lowpass Filter

- Chebyshev I filter
  - Ripple in the passband
  - Sharper transition band compared to Butterworth (for the same number of poles)
  - Poorer group delay compared to Butterworth
  - More ripple in passband → poorer phase response



## Chebyshev I Lowpass Filter Characteristics

- All poles
- Poles located on an ellipse inside the unit circle
- Allowing more ripple in the passband:
  - ⇒ Narrower transition band
  - ⇒ Sharper cut-off
  - ⇒ Higher pole Q
  - ⇒ Poorer phase response

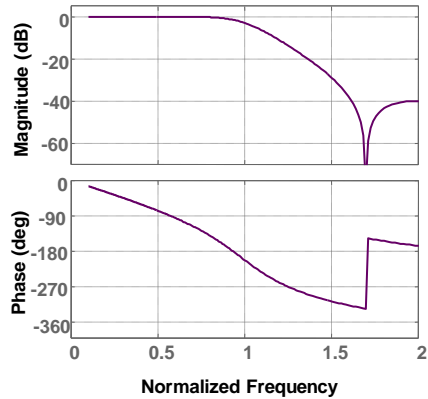


- Chebyshev I LPF 3dB passband ripple
- Chebyshev I LPF 0.1dB passband ripple

Example: 5th Order Chebyshev I Filter

## Filter Types Chebyshev II Lowpass

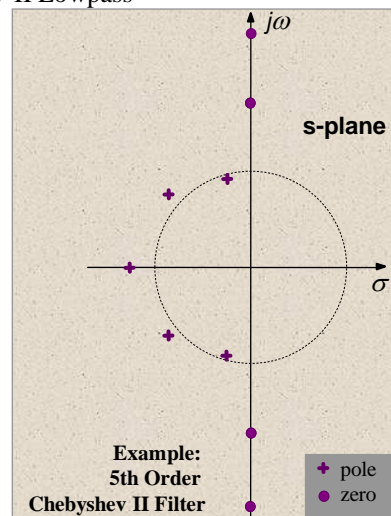
- Chebyshev II filter
  - No ripple in passband
  - Nulls or notches in stopband
  - Sharper transition band compared to Butterworth
  - Passband phase more linear compared to Chebyshev I



Example: 5th Order Chebyshev II filter

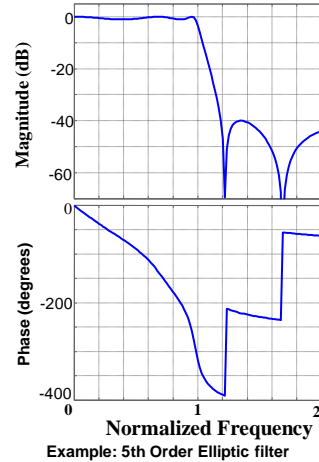
## Filter Types Chebyshev II Lowpass

- Poles & finite zeros
  - No. of poles  $n$  ( $n \rightarrow$  filter order)
  - No. of finite zeros:  $n-1$
- Poles located both inside & outside of the unit circle
- Complex conjugate zeros located on  $j\omega$  axis
- Zeros create nulls in stopband



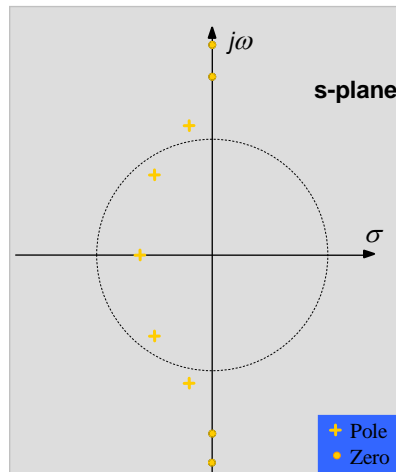
## Filter Types Elliptic Lowpass Filter

- Elliptic filter
  - Ripple in passband
  - Nulls in the stopband
  - Sharper transition band compared to Butterworth & both Chebyshevs
  - Poorest phase response



## Filter Types Elliptic Lowpass Filter

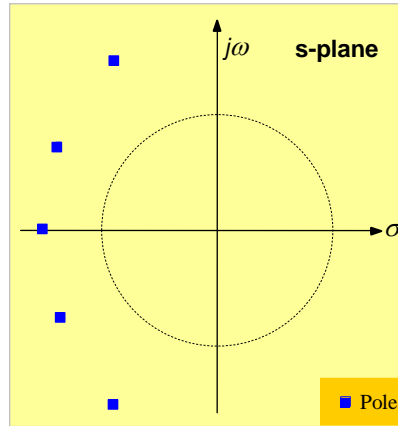
- Poles & finite zeros
  - No. of poles:  $n$
  - No. of finite zeros:  $n-1$
- Zeros located on  $j\omega$  axis
- Sharp cut-off
  - ⇒ Narrower transition band
  - ⇒ Pole Q higher compared to the previous filter types



Example: 5th Order Elliptic Filter

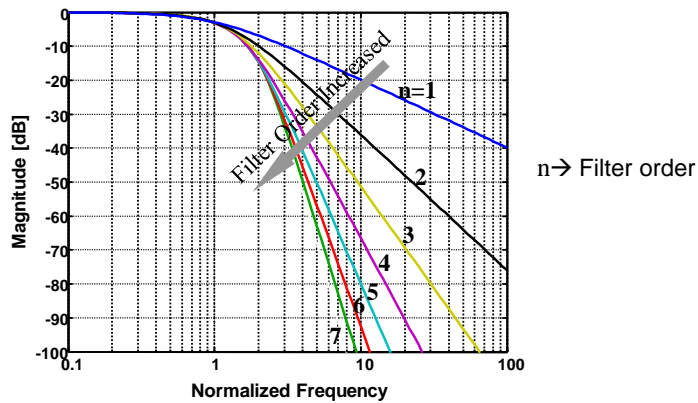
## Filter Types Bessel Lowpass Filter

- Bessel
  - All poles
  - Poles outside unit circle
  - Relatively low Q poles
  - **Maximally flat group delay**
  - Poor out-of-band attenuation

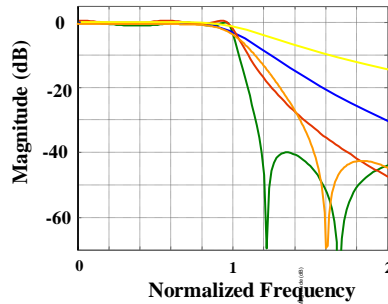


Example: 5th Order Bessel filter

## Magnitude Response Behavior as a Function of Filter Order Example: Bessel Filter



## Filter Types Comparison of Various Type LPF Magnitude Response

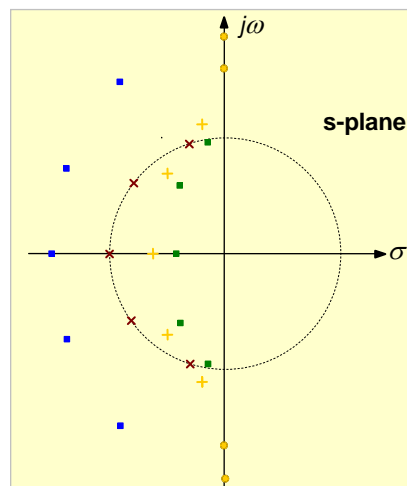


*All 5th order filters with same corner freq.*

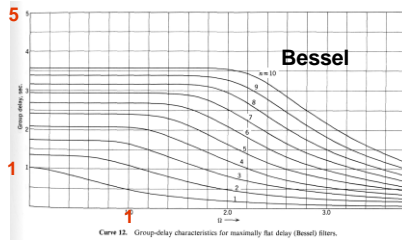
Bessel	<span style="color: yellow;">—</span>
Butterworth	<span style="color: blue;">—</span>
Chebyshev I	<span style="color: red;">—</span>
Chebyshev II	<span style="color: orange;">—</span>
Elliptic	<span style="color: green;">—</span>

## Filter Types Comparison of Various LPF Singularities

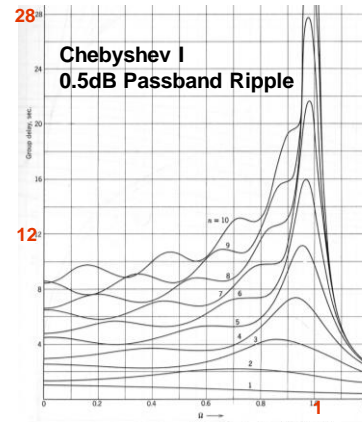
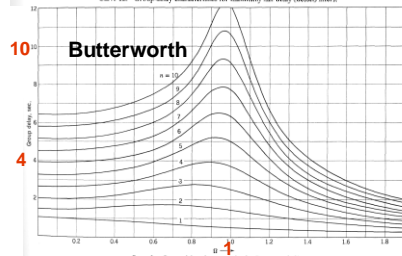
- Poles Bessel
- × Poles Butterworth
- + Poles Elliptic
- Zeros Elliptic
- Poles Chebyshev I 0.1dB



## Comparison of Various LPF Groupdelay



Curve 12. Group-delay characteristics for maximally flat delay (Bessel) filters.



Curve 8. Group-delay characteristics for Chebyshev filter with 0.5 dB ripple.

Ref: A. Zverev, *Handbook of filter synthesis*, Wiley, 1967.

## Filters

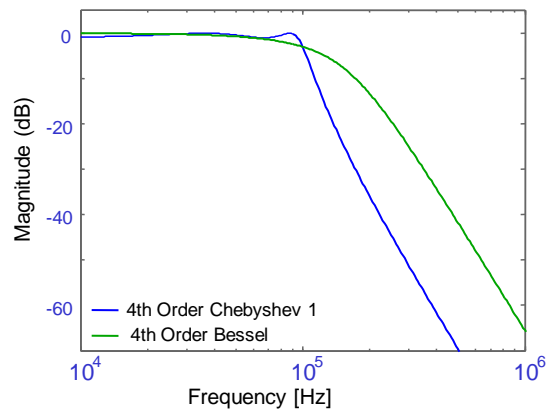
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## Group Delay Comparison Example

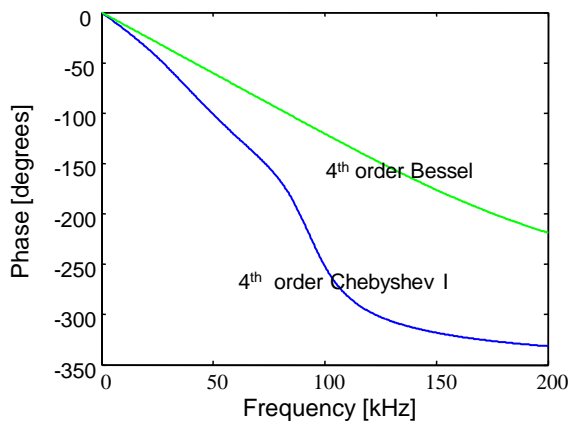
- Lowpass filter with 100kHz corner frequency
- Chebyshev I versus Bessel
  - Both filters 4<sup>th</sup> order- same **-3dB** point
  - Passband ripple of **1dB** allowed for Chebyshev I

## Magnitude Response 4<sup>th</sup> Order Chebyshev I versus Bessel



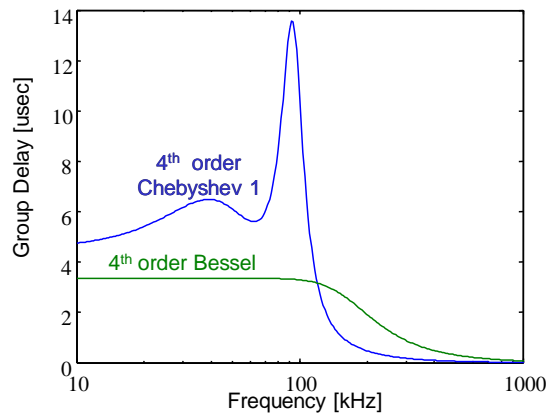
## Phase Response

### 4<sup>th</sup> Order Chebyshev I versus Bessel

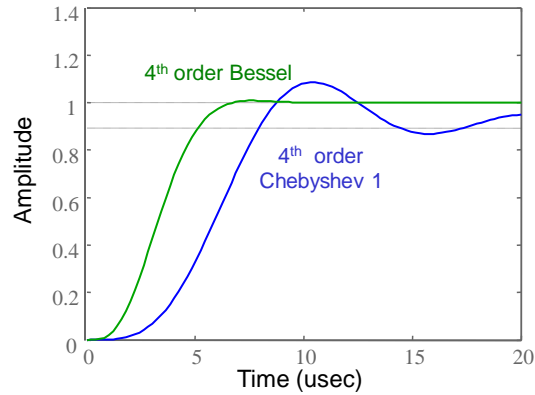


## Group Delay

### 4<sup>th</sup> Order Chebyshev I versus Bessel



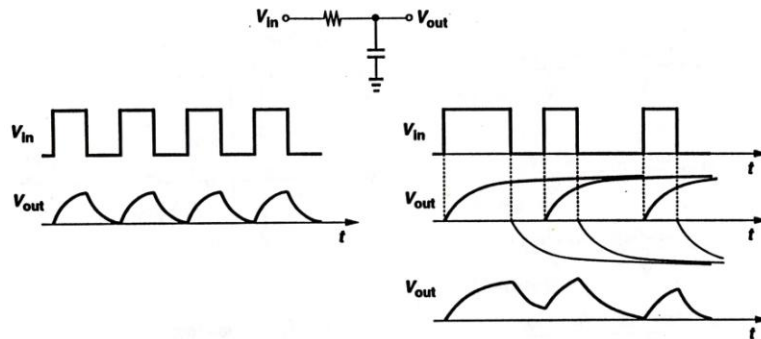
## Step Response 4<sup>th</sup> Order Chebyshev I versus Bessel



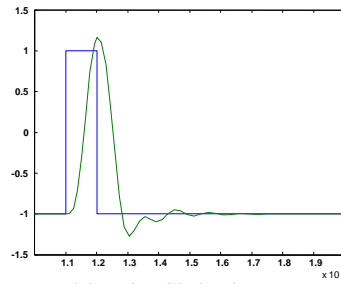
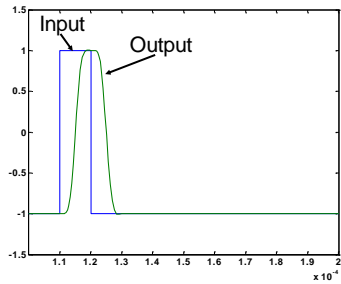
## Intersymbol Interference (ISI)

ISI → Broadening of pulses resulting in interference between successive transmitted pulses

Example: Simple RC filter



## Pulse Impairment Bessel versus Chebyshev

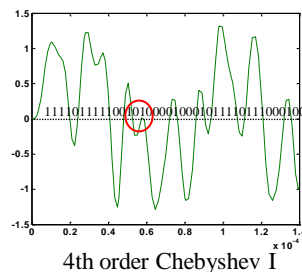
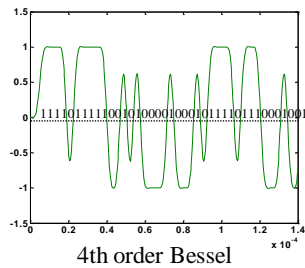
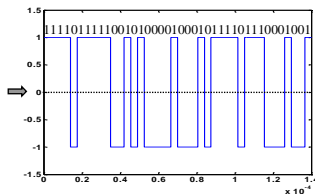


Note that in the case of the Chebyshev filter not only the pulse has broadened but it also has a long tail

→ More ISI for Chebyshev compared to Bessel

## Response to Pseudo-Random Data Chebyshev versus Bessel


Input Signal:  
Symbol rate 1/130kHz



## Summary Filter Types

- Filter types with high signal attenuation per pole  $\Rightarrow$  poor phase response
- For a given signal attenuation, requirement of preserving constant group delay  $\rightarrow$  Higher order filter
  - In the case of passive filters  $\Rightarrow$  higher component count
  - For integrated active filters  $\Rightarrow$  higher chip area & power dissipation
- In cases where filter is followed by ADC and DSP
  - In some cases possible to digitally correct for phase impairments incurred by the analog circuitry by using digital phase equalizers & thus possible to reduce the required analog filter order

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## RLC Filters

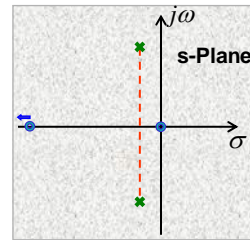
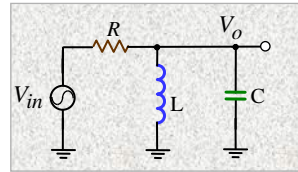
- Bandpass filter (2<sup>nd</sup> order):

$$\frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{s}{s^2 + \frac{\omega_0}{Q}s + \omega_0^2}$$

$$\omega_0 = 1 / \sqrt{LC}$$

$$Q = \omega_0 RC = \frac{R}{L\omega_0}$$

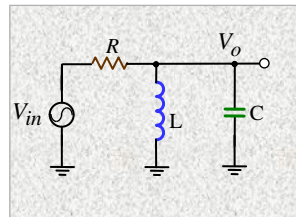
Singularities: Pair of complex conjugate poles  
Zeros @  $f=0$  &  $f=\text{inf}$ .



## RLC Filters Example

- Design a bandpass filter with:

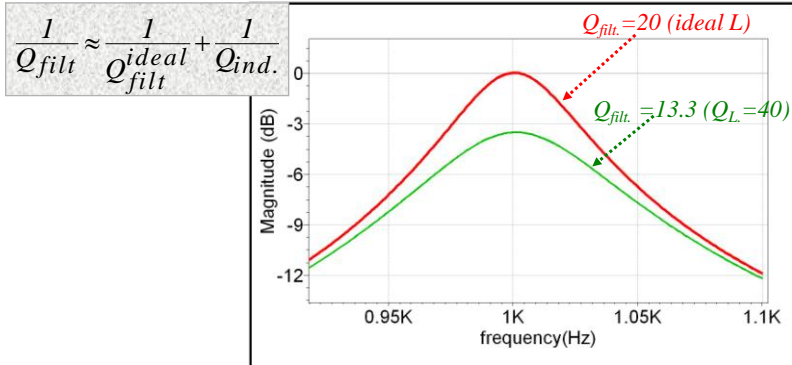
- Center frequency of 1kHz
- Filter quality factor of 20



- First assume the inductor is ideal
- Next consider the case where the inductor has series R resulting in a finite inductor Q of 40
- What is the effect of finite inductor Q on the overall filter Q?

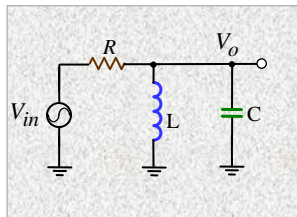
## RLC Filters

### Effect of Finite Component Q



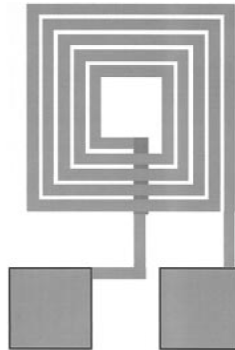
⇒ Need to have component Q much higher compared to desired filter Q

## RLC Filters



Question:  
Can RLC filters be integrated on-chip?

# Monolithic Spiral Inductors



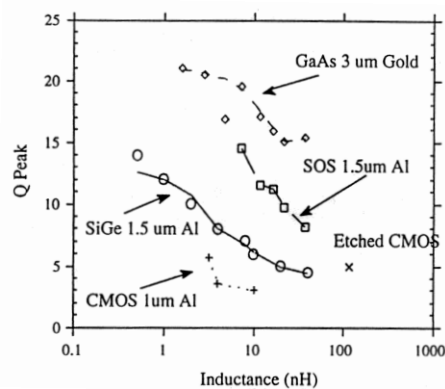
Top View

## Monolithic Inductors Feasible Quality Factor & Value

Typically, on-chip inductors built as spiral structures out of metal/s layers

$$Q_L = (\omega L/R)$$

$Q_L$  measured at frequencies of operation ( $>1\text{GHz}$ )



⇒ Feasible monolithic inductor in CMOS tech.  $<10\text{nH}$  with  $Q < 7$

❖ Ref: "Radio Frequency Filters", Lawrence Larson; Mead workshop presentation 1999



# Integrated Filters

- Implementation of RLC filters in CMOS technologies requires on-chip inductors
  - Integrated  $L < 10\text{nH}$  with  $Q < 10$
  - Combined with max. cap.  $20\text{pF}$
  - *LC filters in the monolithic form feasible: freq > 350MHz*
  - *(Learn more in EE242 & RF circuit courses)*
- Analog/Digital interface circuitry require fully integrated filters with critical frequencies  $\ll 350\text{MHz}$
- Hence:

⇒ Need to build active filters without using inductors

# Filters

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Order Transfer Functions (Biquads)

- Biquadratic (2<sup>nd</sup> order) transfer function:

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_P Q_P} + \frac{s^2}{\omega_P^2}}$$

$$|H(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_P^2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_P Q_P}\right)^2}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{cases} |H(j\omega)|_{\omega=0} = 1 \\ |H(j\omega)|_{\omega \rightarrow \infty} = 0 \\ |H(j\omega)|_{\omega=\omega_P} = Q_P \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Biquad poles @: } s = -\frac{\omega_P}{2Q_P} \left(1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4Q_P^2}\right)$$

Note: for  $Q_P \leq \frac{1}{2}$  poles are real, complex otherwise

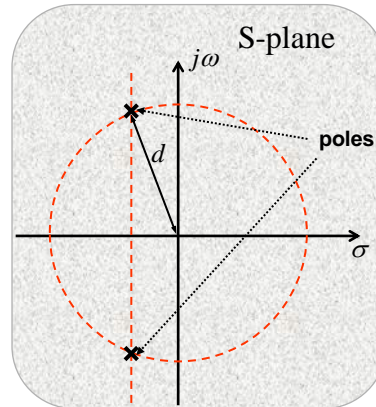
## Biquad Complex Poles

$Q_P > \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow$  Complex conjugate poles:

$$s = -\frac{\omega_P}{2Q_P} \left( 1 \pm j\sqrt{4Q_P^2 - 1} \right)$$

Distance from origin in s-plane:

$$\begin{aligned} d^2 &= \left( \frac{\omega_P}{2Q_P} \right)^2 (1 + 4Q_P^2 - 1) \\ &= \omega_P^2 \end{aligned}$$



## s-Plane

