# Lecture 2 - C Analog Signal Conditioning

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# 1 Integrators and Differentiators

#### Integrators

See Figure 1



Figure 1: Integrator

- Drifts if there is dc or average levels in the signal.
- Will also drift due to current biases in the op-amp.

#### Differentiator

See Figure 2

- dc or average levels in the signal and op-amp biases pose no issues.
- High frequency issues.

2 - C.4

2 - C.3

2 - C.1



Figure 2: Practical differentiator

# 2 Active Filters

#### **Common Filter Types**

See Figure 3. Few remarks.

- Used to improve SNR.
- Reduce coherent interference.
- Required in systems with analog-to-digital converters.
- Used for smoothing.
- A measure of quality for bandpass filters is the Q factor defined as

$$Q = \frac{CenterFreq.}{Bandwidth}$$
(1)



Figure 3: Sample of ideal filters: (a) lowpass; (b) highpass; (c) bandpass; (d) allpass; (e) notch; (f) bandstop

# 2.1 Sallen-Key

#### Active Filters - Generalized Circuit

Analysis of the Sallen-Key Architecture http://focus.ti.com/lit/an/sloa024b/sloa024b.pdf See Figure 4.

#### Non-Ideal Transfer Function

$$\frac{V_o}{V_s} = \left(\frac{c}{d}\right) \left[\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{A_D(f)b} - \frac{d}{b}}\right]$$
(2)

2 - C.5



Figure 4: Generalized Sallen-Key Circuit

where

$$b = \frac{R_3}{R_3 + R_4}$$

$$c = \frac{Z_2 Z_3 Z_4}{Z_2 Z_3 Z_4 + Z_1 Z_2 Z_4 + Z_1 Z_2 Z_3 + Z_2 Z_2 Z_4 + Z_2 Z_2 Z_1}$$

$$d = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 Z_3}{Z_2 Z_3 Z_4 + Z_1 Z_2 Z_4 + Z_1 Z_2 Z_3 + Z_2 Z_2 Z_4 + Z_2 Z_2 Z_1}$$

2 - C.7

2 - C.8

2 - C.9

2 - C.10

Ideal Transfer Function

$$\frac{\frac{1}{A_D(f)b} \approx 0}{\frac{V_o}{V_s} = \frac{K}{\frac{Z_1 Z_2}{Z_3 Z_4} + \frac{Z_1}{Z_3} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_3} + \frac{Z_1(1-K)}{Z_4} + 1}$$
(3)

where

$$K = \frac{R_3 + R_4}{R_3} \tag{4}$$

## **Quadratic Form**

$$s^2/\omega_n^2+s_2\zeta/\omega_n+1$$

where  $\omega_n$  is the natural frequency and  $\zeta$  is the damping factor. Also,  $Q = 1/(2\zeta)$ .

## Low-Pass Filter

$$Z_1 = R_1, \quad Z_2 = R_2, \quad Z_3 = \frac{1}{sC_1}, \quad Z_4 = \frac{1}{sC_2}, \quad K = 1 + \frac{R_4}{R_3}$$
 (5)

$$\frac{V_o}{V_s} = \frac{K}{s^2(R_1R_2C_1C_2) + s(R_1C_1 + R_2C_1 + R_1C_2(1-K)) + 1}$$
(6)

let

$$\omega_n^2 = \frac{1}{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}, \quad \zeta^2 = \frac{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}{(R_1 C_1 + R_2 C_1 + R_1 C_2 (1 - K))^2}$$

# **High-Pass Filter**

$$Z_1 = \frac{1}{sC_1}, \quad Z_2 = \frac{1}{sC_2}, \quad Z_3 = R_1, \quad Z_4 = R_2, \quad K = 1 + \frac{R_4}{R_3}$$
 (7)

$$\frac{V_o}{V_s} = \frac{K(s^2(R_1R_2C_1C_2))}{s^2(R_1R_2C_1C_2) + s(R_2C_2 + R_2C_1 + R_1C_2(1-K)) + 1}$$
(8)

let

$$\omega_n^2 = \frac{1}{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}, \quad \zeta^2 = \frac{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}{(R_2 C_2 + R_2 C_1 + R_1 C_2 (1 - K))^2}$$

$$2 \cdot C.11$$

**Bandpass Filter** 

$$Z_1 = R_1, \quad Z_2 = \frac{1}{sC_1}, \quad Z_3 = R_2, \quad Z_4 = R_3 ||C_2, \quad K = 1 + \frac{R_4}{R_3}$$
 (9)

# 2.2 Biquad Active Filters

Biquad Active Filter See Figure 5.



Figure 5: Biquad Active Filter

## Notch filter

See Figure 6



Figure 6: Biquad notch filter

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2 - C.12

2 - C.13



Figure 7: Biquad notch filter

# Biquad notch filter

See Figure 7 where  $R_1 = R$ .

# Biquad allpass filter

See Figure 8



Figure 8: Biquad allpass filter

# where $R_1 = R$ , $R_5 = 2R_4$ , and $R_6 = R_5$ .

2 - C.16

# 2.3 Generalized Impedance Converter Active Filters

# Generalized Impedance Converter (GIC)

See Figure 9.



Figure 9: Generalized Sallen-Key Circuit

## GIC driving point impedance

$$Z_{11}(s) = V_1 / I_1 = \frac{Z_1 Z_3 Z_5}{Z_2 Z_4} \tag{10}$$

• If  $Z_2 = 1/(sC_2)$  and the rest of the Zs are resistors

$$Z_{11} = s(C_2 R_1 R_3 / R_4) \tag{11}$$

where the equivalent inductance is given by

$$L_{eq} = C_2 R_1 R_3 / R_4 \tag{12}$$

• If  $Z_1$  and  $Z_5$  are made capacitors, then

$$Z_{11} = -1/(Ds^2) \tag{13}$$

where the D element is

$$D = C_1 C_5 R_2 R_4 / R_3 \tag{14}$$

#### Filter examples using GIC

• Bandpass filter

$$V_o/V_s = \frac{sL_{eq}/R}{s^2 C I_{eq} + (sL_{eq}/R) + 1}$$
(15)

• Low-pass filter

$$V_o/V_s = \frac{1}{s^2 R D + s R C + 1} \tag{16}$$

## Bandpass Filter See Figure 10

### Low-pass Filter See Figure 11

2 - C.21

2 - C.20

2 - C.19

2 - C.18



Figure 10: Bandpass filter using GIC



Figure 11: Lowpass filter using GIC