# Passive and Active Filters

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## **Passive Filters**



- Consists of passive elements like:
  - Resistor,
  - Capacitor and
  - Inductor
- Filters can be classified as :-
  - 1. Low Pass Filter
  - 2. High Pass Filter
  - 3. Band Pass Filter
  - 4. Band Stop Filter (Band Reject/Eliminate Filter)

## Passive Low Pass Filter (LPF)

- LPF ideally allows lower frequencies and attenuates higher frequencies.
- One of the simplest form of LPF
  - Transfer Function:

$$\mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i} = \frac{1/j\boldsymbol{\omega}C}{R+1/j\boldsymbol{\omega}C}$$
$$\mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \frac{1}{1+j\boldsymbol{\omega}RC}$$

• H(0) = 1 and  $H(\infty) = 0 \Rightarrow$  Filter is LFP



## Passive Low Pass Filter (LPF)

- $\omega_c$  is the cut-off frequency.
  - It is a frequency at which  $|H(\omega)|$  drops to 70.07% of  $|H(\omega)|_{max}$  or becomes  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  of  $|H(\omega)|_{max}$ .
- So, here,  $\omega_c$  can be calculated as:

$$H(\omega_c) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega_c^2 R^2 C^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$
$$\omega_c = \frac{1}{RC}$$



## Passive High Pass Filter (HPF)

- Ideally, HPF attenuates lower frequencies and allows higher frequencies.
- One of the simplest form of HPF
  - Transfer Function:  $\mathbf{H}(\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i} = \frac{R}{R + 1/i\omega C}$

$$\mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \frac{j\boldsymbol{\omega}RC}{1 + j\boldsymbol{\omega}RC}$$





• H(0) = 0 and  $H(\infty) = 1 \Rightarrow$  Filter is HFP

$$\omega_c = \frac{1}{RC}$$

## Passive Band Pass Filter (BPF)

- BPF allows frequencies of a particular range and eliminates other frequencies.
- Typical example of BPF
- Transfer function :

$$\mathbf{H}(\omega) = \frac{\mathbf{V}_o}{\mathbf{V}_i} = \frac{R}{R + j(\omega L - 1/\omega C)}$$

- Here, H(0) = 0 and  $H(\infty) = 0$
- How it is BPF ?
- Resonance Frequency,  $\omega_0$  !!!!!
- $Z_{eq} = R \Rightarrow$  Filter allows  $\omega_0$  means it is a BPF





## Passive Band Pass Filter (BPF)

• Here,  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  are half power frequencies i.e. power dissipated is half of the maximum power.

$$\omega_1 = -\frac{R}{2L} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{LC}}$$
$$\omega_2 = \frac{R}{2L} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{LC}}$$

- Bandwidth of BPF =  $\omega_2$   $\omega_1$
- Quality Factor,

$$Q = \frac{\omega_0 L}{R} = \frac{1}{\omega_0 CR}$$



Where 
$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \sqrt{\omega_1 \omega_1}$$

## **Passive Band Stop Filter**

- It rejects a particular range of frequencies and allows rest of the frequencies.
- Example of band stop filter :
  - Transfer Function

$$\mathbb{H}(\omega) = \frac{\mathbb{V}_o}{\mathbb{V}_i} = \frac{j(\omega L - 1/\omega C)}{R + j(\omega L - 1/\omega C)}$$

- Here, H(0) = 1 and  $H(\infty) = 1$ .
- But at resonance frequency,

 $v_0 = 0 \Rightarrow$  Filters does not allow  $\omega_0$ 



## **Practice Problem**



1. Obtain the transfer function. Identify the type of filter the circuit represents and determine the corner frequency.

Take  $R_1 = 100 \ \Omega = R_2$ , L = 2 mH.



#### **Practice Problem**



2. Design a bandpass filter of the following form with a lower cutoff frequency of 20.1 kHz and an upper cutoff frequency of 20.3 kHz. Calculate *L*, *C*, and *Q*. Take  $R = 20 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

