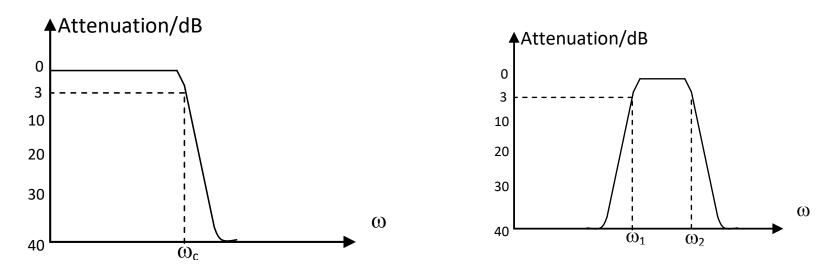
MICROWAVE FILTERS

What is a Microwave filter ?

- Circuit that controls the frequency response at a certain point in a microwave system
- provides perfect transmission of signal for frequencies in a certain passband region
- infinite attenuation for frequencies in the stopband region



FILTER DESIGN METHODS

Filter Design Methods

Two types of commonly used design methods:

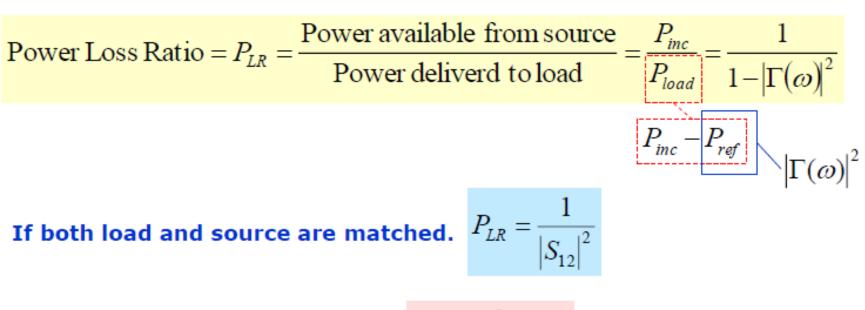
- Image Parameter Method
- Insertion Loss Method

•Image parameter method yields a usable filter

Filters designed using the *image parameter method consist of a* **cascade of simpler** *two port* **filter** sections to provide the desired cutoff frequencies and attenuation characteristics but do not allow the specification of a particular frequency **response** over the complete operating range. Thus, although the procedure is relatively simple, the design of filters by the image parameter method often must be **iterated many times** to achieve the desired results.

The perfect filter would have zero insertion loss in the passband, infinite attenuation in the stop-band, and a linear phase response in the pass-band.

Characterization by Power Loss Ratio



The insertion loss (IL) is dB is $IL = 10 \log P_{LR}$

Characterization by Power Loss Ratio

$$\Gamma(\omega) = \frac{Z(\omega) - Z_o}{Z(\omega) + Z_o} = \frac{R(\omega) - Z_o + jX(\omega)}{R(\omega) + Z_o + jX(\omega)}$$

$$\Gamma(-\omega) = \frac{R(\omega) - Z_o - jX(\omega)}{R(\omega) + Z_o - jX(\omega)} = \Gamma^*(\omega)$$

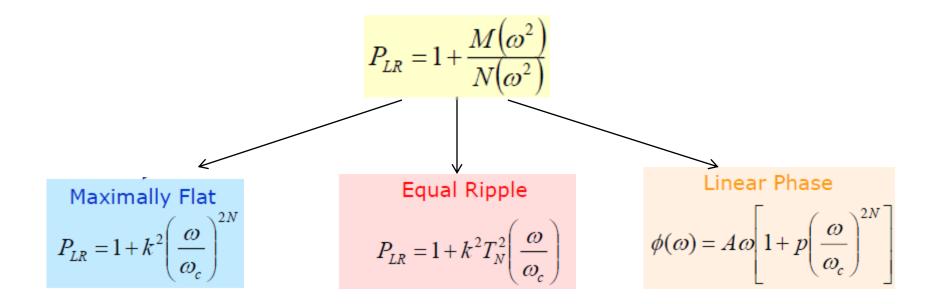
$$|\Gamma(\omega)|^2 = \Gamma(\omega)\Gamma^*(\omega) = \Gamma(\omega)\Gamma(-\omega) = |\Gamma(-\omega)|^2 \quad \text{(Even functions of } \omega\text{)}$$

$$|\Gamma(\omega)|^2 = \frac{M(\omega^2)}{M(\omega^2) + N(\omega^2)}$$
Where M and N are real polynomials in ω^2 .
$$P_{LR} = \frac{1}{1 - |\Gamma(\omega)|^2} \xrightarrow{P_{LR}} P_{LR} = 1 + \frac{M(\omega^2)}{N(\omega^2)} \quad \text{The magnitude of the voltage gain}$$

Proof

$$\begin{split} \Gamma(\omega) &= \frac{R(\omega) - Z_o + jX(\omega)}{R(\omega) + Z_o + jX(\omega)} \qquad \Gamma^*(\omega) = \frac{R(\omega) - Z_o - jX(\omega)}{R(\omega) + Z_o - jX(\omega)} \\ \left| \Gamma(\omega) \right|^2 &= \Gamma(\omega) \Gamma^*(\omega) \\ \Gamma(\omega) \Gamma^*(\omega) &= \left(\frac{R(\omega) - Z_o + jX(\omega)}{R(\omega) + Z_o + jX(\omega)} \right) \left(\frac{R(\omega) - Z_o - jX(\omega)}{R(\omega) + Z_o - jX(\omega)} \right) \\ \Gamma(\omega) \Gamma^*(\omega) &= \frac{\left(\frac{R(\omega) - Z_o}{2} \right)^2 + X^2(\omega)}{\left(R(\omega) + Z_o \right)^2 + X^2(\omega)} \\ \Gamma(\omega) \Gamma^*(\omega) &= \frac{\left(\frac{R(\omega) - Z_o}{2} \right)^2 + X^2(\omega)}{\left(R(\omega) + Z_o \right)^2 + X^2(\omega)} \end{split}$$

$$\Gamma(\omega)\Gamma^{*}(\omega) = \frac{\left(R(\omega) - Z_{o}\right)^{2} + X^{2}(\omega)}{\left(R(\omega) - Z_{o}\right)^{2} + X^{2}(\omega) + 4R(\omega)Z_{o}}$$



Practical filter response:

Maximally flat:

- also called the binomial or Butterworth response,
- is optimum in the sense that it provides the flattest possible passband response for a given filter complexity.

$$P_{LR} = 1 + k^2 \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_c}\right)^N$$

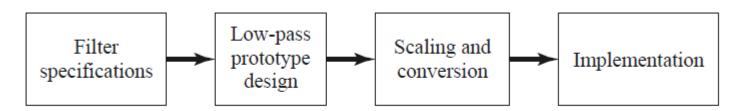
Equal ripple also known as Chebyshev.

- sharper cutoff

$$P_{LR} = 1 + k^2 T_N^2(\omega)$$

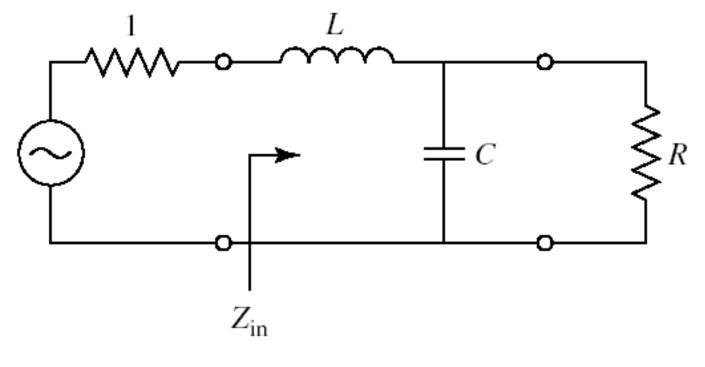
 ω – frequency of filter ω_{c} – cutoff frequency of filter N – order of filter

- The insertion loss method (ILM) allows a systematic way to design and synthesize a filter with various frequency response.
- Design usually begins by designing a normalized low-pass prototype (LPP). The LPP is a low-pass filter with source and load resistance of 1Ω and cutoff frequency of 1 Radian/s.
- Impedance transformation and frequency scaling are then applied to denormalize the LPP and synthesize different type of filters with different cutoff frequencies.



The process of filter design by the insertion loss method.

Low Pass Filter Prototype



Low pass filter prototype, N = 2

$$P_{\rm LR} = 1 + k^2 \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_c}\right)^{2N}$$

for N = 2, $P_{LR} = 1 + \omega^4$.

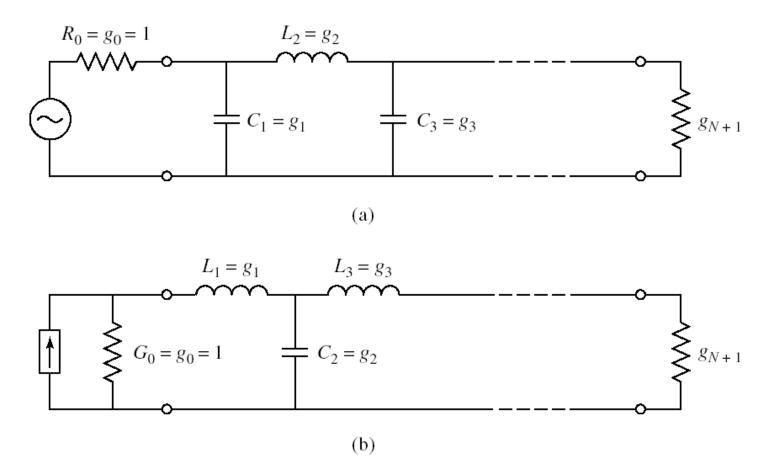
$$P_{\rm LR} = \frac{1}{1 - |\Gamma|^2}$$
 $\Gamma = \frac{Z_{\rm in} - 1}{Z_{\rm in} + 1}$

 $P_{\rm LR} = 1 + \frac{1}{4R} [(1-R)^2 + (R^2C^2 + L^2 - 2LCR^2)\omega^2 + L^2C^2R^2\omega^4].$

 $L = C = \sqrt{2}$. = 1.4142

Low Pass Filter Prototype – Ladder Circuit

For an arbitrary number of elements N.



Ladder circuit for low pass filter prototypes and their element definitions. (a) begin with shunt element. (b) begin with series element.

 g_0 = generator resistance, generator conductance.

 g_k = inductance for series inductors, capacitance for shunt capacitors. (*k*=1 to *N*)

 g_{N+1} = load resistance if g_N is a shunt capacitor, load conductance if g_N is a series inductor.

$(g_0 = 1, \omega_c = 1, IV = 110 10)$											
N	g1	g2	g3	g4	gi	g ₆	g,	g8	g9	g ₁₀	g ₁₁
1	2.0000	1.0000									
2	1.4142	1.4142	1.0000								
3	1.0000	2.0000	1.0000	1.0000							
4	0.7654	1.8478	1.8478	0.7654	1.0000						
5	0.6180	1.6180	2.0000	1.6180	0.6180	1.0000					
б	0.5176	1.4142	1.9318	1.9318	1.4142	0.5176	1.0000				
7	0.4450	1.2470	1.8019	2.0000	1.8019	1.2470	0.4450	1.0000			
8	0.3902	1.1111	1.6629	1.9615	1.9615	1.6629	1.1111	0.3902	1.0000		
9	0.3473	1.0000	1.5321	1.8794	2.0000	1.8794	1.5321	1.0000	0.3473	1.0000	
10	0.3129	0.9080	1.4142	1.7820	1.9754	1.9754	1.7820	1.4142	0.9080	0.3129	1.0000

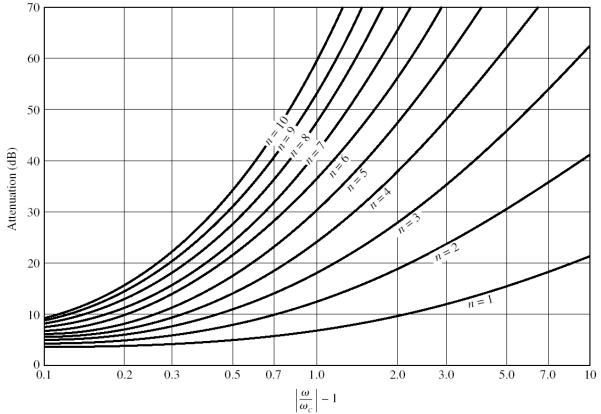
Element Values for Maximally-Flat LPF Prototype

 $(g_0 = 1, \omega_c = 1, N = 1 \text{ to } 10)$

Element values for maximally flat LPF prototypes

Low Pass Filter Prototype – Maximally Flat

To determine the order (size) of the filter. Is usually determined by the **specification of the insertion loss at some frequency in the stopband** of the filter.



Attenuation versus normalized frequency for maximally flat filter prototypes.

Low Pass Filter Prototype – Equal Ripple

For an equal ripple low pass filter with a cutoff frequency $\omega_c =$ The power loss ratio is:

$$P_{LR} = 1 + k^2 T_N^2(\omega)$$

Element Values for Equal-Ripple LPF Prototype

N	g ₁	g2	g3	g4	gs	g6	g,	g.	g9	g ₁₀	g ₁₁
1	0.6986	1.0000									
2	1.4029	0.7071	1.9841								
3	1.5963	1.0967	1.5963	1.0000							
4	1.6703	1.1926	2.3661	0.8419	1.9841						
5	1.7058	1.2296	2.5408	1.2296	1.7058	1.0000					
б	1.7254	1.2479	2.6064	1.3137	2.4758	0.8696	1.9841				
7	1.7372	1.2583	2.6381	1.3444	2.6381	1.2583	1.7372	1.0000			
8	1.7451	1.2647	2.6564	1.3590	2.6964	1.3389	2.5093	0.8796	1.9841		
9	1.7504	1.2690	2.6678	1.3673	2.7239	1.3673	2.6678	1.2690	1.7504	1.0000	
10	1.7543	1.2721	2.6754	1.3725	2.7392	1.3806	2.7231	1.3485	2.5239	0.8842	1.9841

 $(g_0 = 1, \omega_c = 1, N = 1 to 10, 0.5 dB ripple)$

Element values for equal ripple LPF prototypes (0.5 dB ripple level)

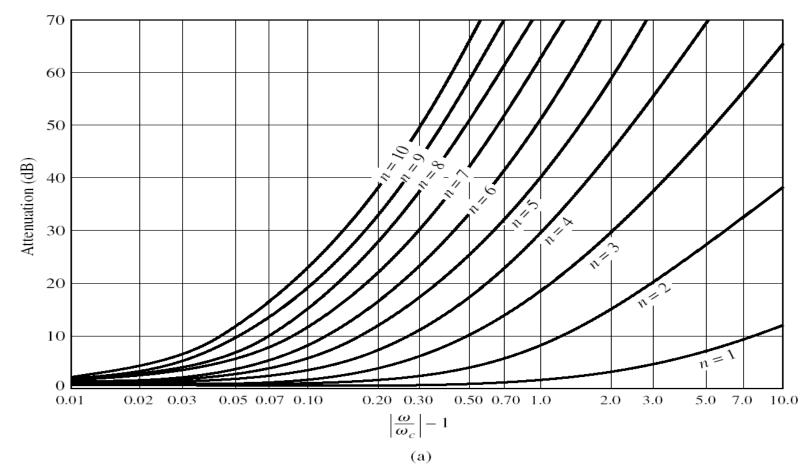
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 $(g_0 = 1, \omega_c = 1, N = 1 to 10, 3.0$ dB ripple)

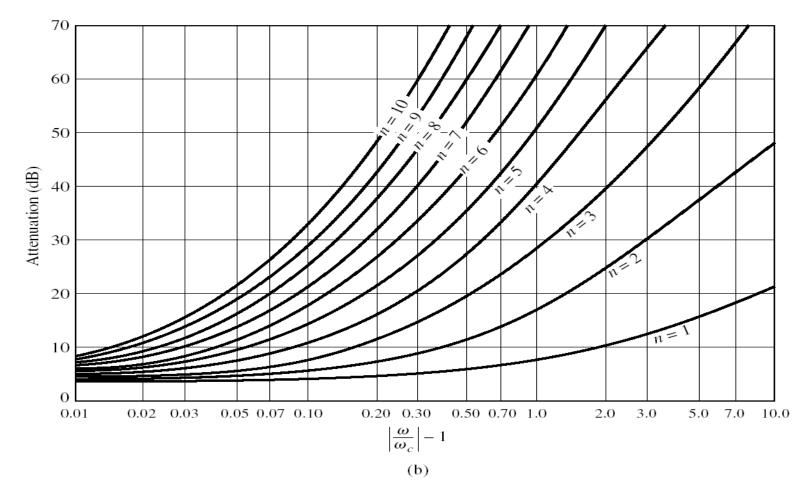
Element Values for Equal-Ripple LPF Prototype

N	g ₁	g2	g3	g4	g	g6	g,	g8	g,	g ₁₀	g ₁₁
1	1.9953	1.0000									
2	3.1013	0.5339	5.8095								
3	3.3487	0.7117	3.3487	1.0000							
4	3.4389	0.7483	4.3471	0.5920	5.8095						
5	3.4817	0.7618	4.5381	0.7618	3.4817	1.0000					
б	3.5045	0.7685	4.6061	0.7929	4.4641	0.6033	5.8095				
7	3.5182	0.7723	4.6386	0.8039	4.6386	0.7723	3.5182	1.0000			
8	3.5277	0.7745	4.6575	0.8089	4.6990	0.8018	4.4990	0.6073	5.8095		
9	3.5340	0.7760	4.6692	0.8118	4.7272	0.8118	4.6692	0.7760	3.5340	1.0000	
10	3.5384	0.7771	4.6768	0.8136	4.7425	0.8164	4.7260	0.8051	4.5142	0.6091	5.8095

Element values for equal ripple LPF prototypes (3.0 dB ripple level).



Attenuation versus normalized frequency for equal-ripple filter prototypes. (0.5 dB ripple level)



Attenuation versus normalized frequency for equal-ripple filter prototypes (3.0 dB ripple level)

Scaling and TRANSFORMATIONS

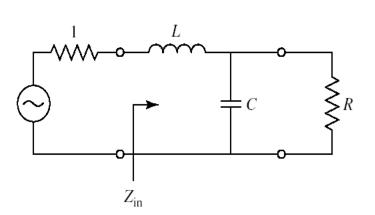
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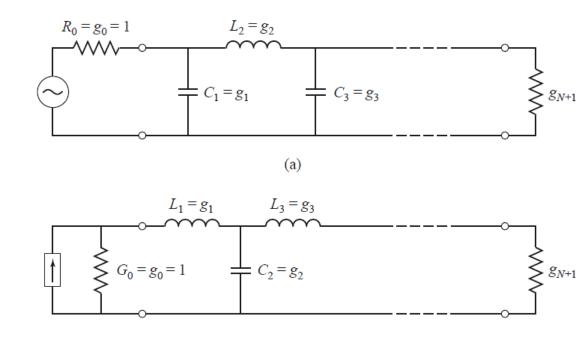
Example 1: LPF

$$L = C = \sqrt{2}$$
. = 1.4142

for N = 2.

N	g_1	<i>g</i> ₂	<i>g</i> ₃	<i>g</i> 4	
1	2.0000	1.0000			
2	1.4142	1.4142	1.0000		
3	1.0000	2.0000	1.0000	1.0000	





Low Pass Filter Prototype – Impedance Scaling

$$\dot{L} = R_0 L$$

$$C' = \frac{C}{R_0}$$

$$\dot{R}_s = R_0$$

$$\dot{R}_L = R_0 R_L$$

Frequency scaling for the low pass filter:

$$\omega \leftarrow \frac{\omega}{\omega_c}$$

The new element values of the prototype filter:

$$jX_{k} = j\frac{\omega}{\omega_{c}}L_{k} = j\omega \dot{L}_{k}$$
$$jB_{k} = j\frac{\omega}{\omega_{c}}C_{k} = j\omega \dot{C}_{k}$$

The new element values are given by:

$$L_{k} = \frac{L_{k}}{\omega_{c}}$$
$$C_{k} = \frac{C_{k}}{\omega_{c}}$$

finally

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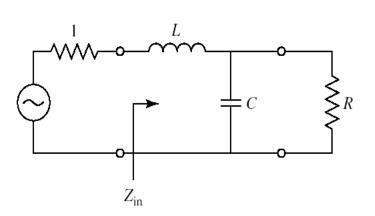
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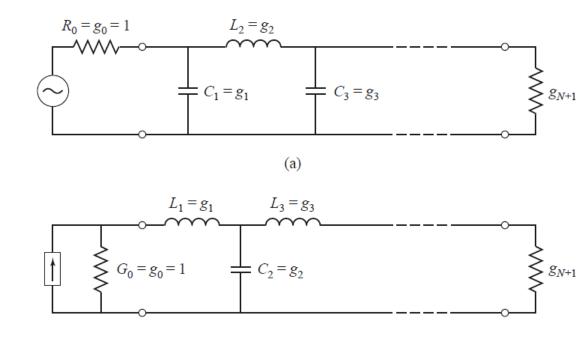
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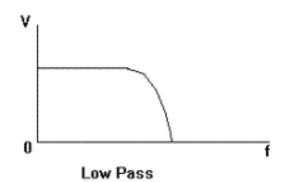
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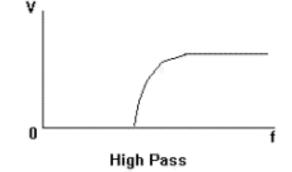




TRANSFORMATIONS

Low-pass to high-pass transformation

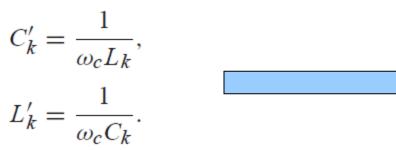


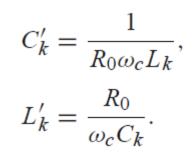


$$\omega \leftarrow -\frac{\omega_c}{\omega}$$

$$jX_k = -j\frac{\omega_c}{\omega}L_k = \frac{1}{j\omega C'_k},$$

$$jB_k = -j\frac{\omega_c}{\omega}C_k = \frac{1}{j\omega L'_k},$$



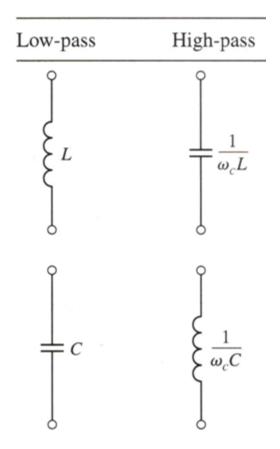


Low pass to high pass transformation

The frequency substitution: $\omega \leftarrow -\frac{\omega_c}{\omega}$

The new component values are given by:

$$C_{k}' = \frac{1}{R_{0}\omega_{c}L_{k}}$$
$$L_{k}' = \frac{R_{0}}{\omega_{c}C_{k}}$$



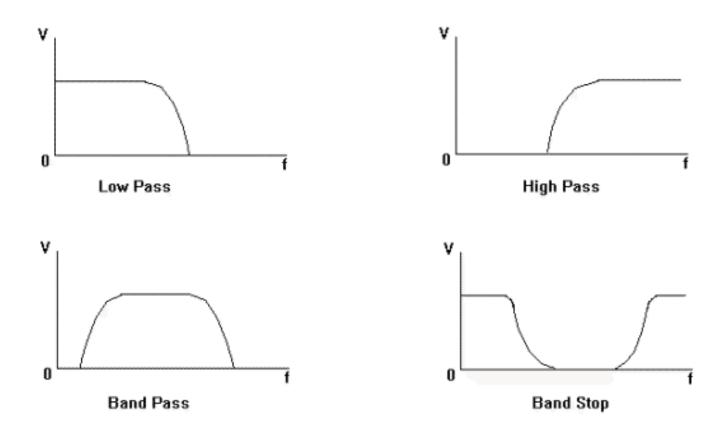


Fig. 3

Low pass to Bandpass transformation

$$\omega \leftarrow \frac{\omega_0}{\omega_2 - \omega_1} \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0} - \frac{\omega_0}{\omega} \right) = \frac{1}{\Delta} \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0} - \frac{\omega_0}{\omega} \right)$$

Where,
$$\Delta = \frac{\omega_2 - \omega_1}{\omega_0}$$

The center frequency is:

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\omega_1 \omega_2}$$

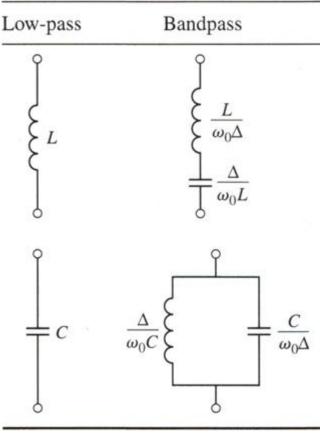
The series inductor, L_k , is transformed to a series *LC* circuit with element values: $L'_k = \frac{L_k}{\Delta \omega_0}$ Low-pass Bandre

The shunt capacitor, C_k , is transformed to a shunt *LC* circuit with element values:

$$L_{k} = rac{\Delta}{\omega_{0}C_{k}}$$
 $C_{k} = rac{C_{k}}{\Delta\omega_{0}}$

 $C_{k}^{'} = rac{\Delta}{\omega_{0}L_{k}}$

$$\Delta = \frac{\omega_2 - \omega_1}{\omega_0} \qquad \qquad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\omega_1 \omega_2}$$



Low pass to Bandstop transformation

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} \leftarrow -\Delta \left(\frac{\boldsymbol{\omega}}{\boldsymbol{\omega}_0} - \frac{\boldsymbol{\omega}_0}{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \right)^{-1}$$

Where,
$$\Delta = \frac{\omega_2 - \omega_1}{\omega_0}$$

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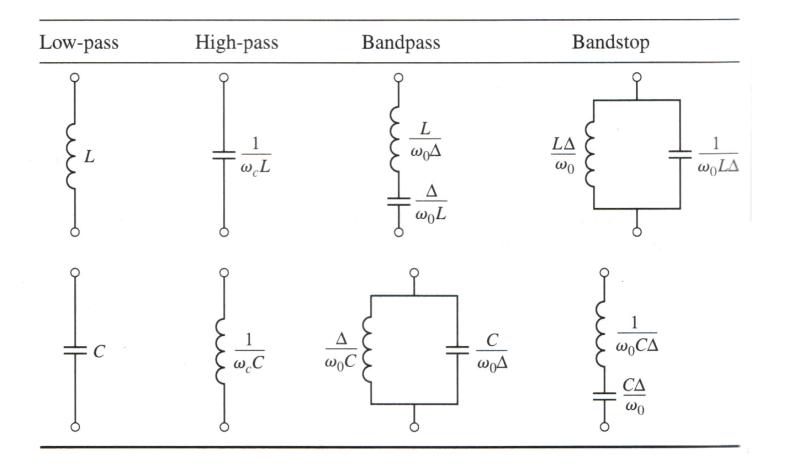
$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\omega_1 \omega_2}$$

The series inductor, L_k , is transformed to a parallel *LC* circuit with element values:

$$L_{k} = \frac{\Delta L_{k}}{\omega_{0}}$$
$$C_{k} = \frac{1}{\omega_{0}\Delta L_{k}}$$

The shunt capacitor, C_k , is transformed to a series *LC* circuit with element values:

$$L_{k} = \frac{1}{\omega_{0}\Delta C_{k}}$$
$$C_{k} = \frac{\Delta C_{k}}{\omega_{0}}$$



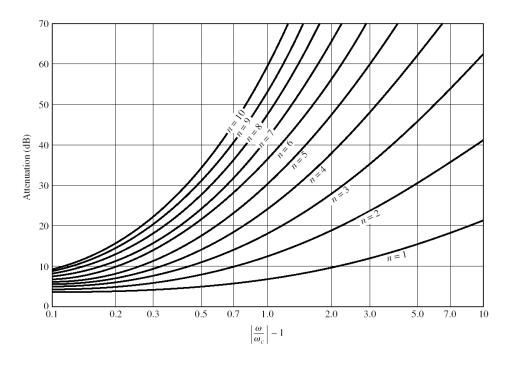
Example 2: Design a maximally flat **low pass** filter with a cutoff freq of 2 GHz, impedance of 50 Ω , and at least 15 dB insertion loss at 3 GHz. Compute and compare with an equal-ripple (3.0 dB ripple) having the same order.

Solution:

First find the order of the maximally flat filter to satisfy the insertion loss specification at 3 GHz.

We can find the normalized freq by using:

$$\left|\frac{\omega}{\omega_c}\right| - 1 = \left|\frac{3}{2}\right| - 1 = 0.5$$



Element Values for Maximally-Flat LPF Prototype

N	g1	g ₂	g3	g4	gs	g6	g,	g8	g9	g ₁₀	g ₁₁
1	2.0000	1.0000									
2	1.4142	1.4142	1.0000								
3	1.0000	2.0000	1.0000	1.0000							
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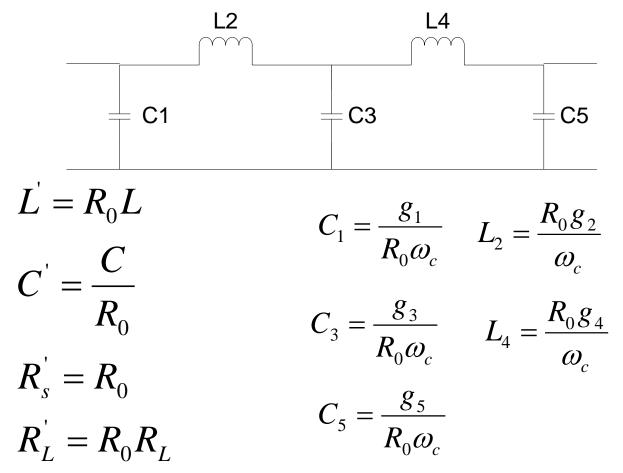
 $(g_0 = 1, \omega_c = 1, N = 1 \text{ to } 10)$

$$g_1 = 0.618$$

 $g_2 = 1.618$
 $g_3 = 2.0$
 $g_4 = 1.618$
 $g_5 = 0.618$

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The ladder diagram of the LPF prototype to be used is as follow:



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LPF prototype for maximally flat filter

$$C_{1} = \frac{g_{1}}{R_{0}\omega_{c}} = \frac{0.618}{(50)(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9})} = 0.984 \text{ pF}$$

$$L_{2} = \frac{R_{0}g_{2}}{\omega_{c}} = \frac{50 \times 1.618}{(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9})} = 6.438 \text{ nH}$$

$$C_{3} = \frac{g_{3}}{R_{0}\omega_{c}} = \frac{2.00}{(50)(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9})} = 3.183\text{pF}$$

$$L_{4} = \frac{R_{0}g_{4}}{\omega_{c}} = \frac{50 \times 1.618}{(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9})} = 6.438 \text{ nH}$$

$$C_{5} = \frac{g_{5}}{R_{0}\omega_{c}} = \frac{0.618}{(50)(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9})} = 0.984 \text{ pF}$$

LPF prototype for **equal** ripple filter:

$$C_{1} = \frac{g_{1}}{R_{0}\omega_{c}} = \frac{3.4817}{(50)(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9})} = 5.541 \text{pF}$$

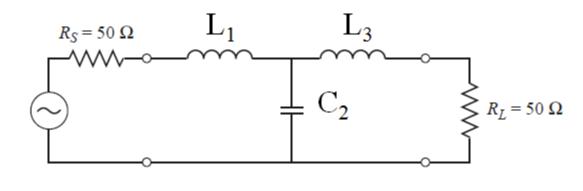
$$g_{2} = 0.7618 \qquad L_{2} = \frac{R_{0}g_{2}}{\omega_{c}} = \frac{50 \times 0.7618}{(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9})} = 3.031 \text{ nH}$$

$$g_{3} = 4.5381 \qquad C_{3} = \frac{g_{3}}{R_{0}\omega_{c}} = \frac{4.5381}{(50)(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9})} = 7.223 \text{ pF}$$

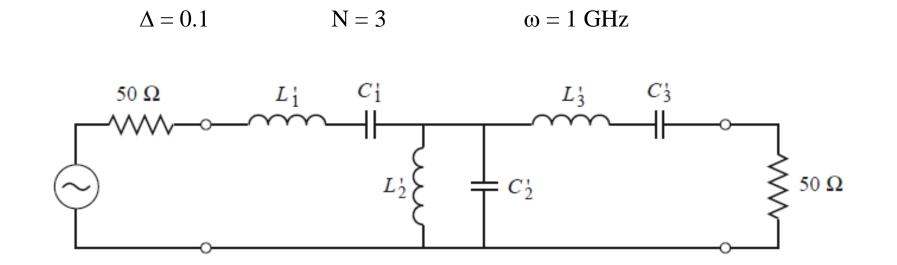
$$g_{5} = 3.4817 \qquad L_{4} = \frac{R_{0}g_{4}}{\omega_{c}} = \frac{50 \times 0.7618}{(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9})} = 3.031 \text{ nH}$$

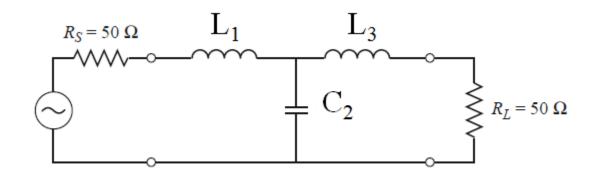
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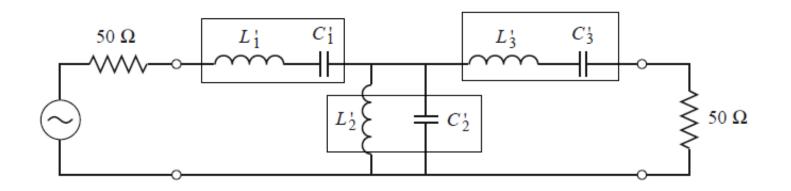
Example: Design a **band pass** filter having a 0.5 dB equal-ripple response, with N = 3. The center frequency is 1 GHz, the bandwidth is 10%, and the impedance is 50 Ω . <u>Solution</u>: The low pass filter (LPF) prototype ladder diagram is shown as follow:



 $g_1 = 1.5963 = L_1$ $g_2 = 1.0967 = C_2$ $g_3 = 1.5963 = L_3$ $g_4 = 1.000 = R_L$ Transforming the LPF prototype to the **BPF** prototype







$$L_{1}' = \frac{L_{1}Z_{0}}{\omega_{0}\Delta} = \frac{1.5963 \times 50}{(2\pi \times 1 \times 10^{9} \times 0.1)} = 127.0nH$$

$$C_{1}' = \frac{\Delta}{Z_{0}\omega_{0}L_{1}} = \frac{0.1}{(50)(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9} \times 1.5963)} = 0.199pF$$

$$L_{2}' = \frac{\Delta Z_{0}}{\omega_{0}C_{2}} = \frac{0.1 \times 50}{(2\pi \times 1 \times 10^{9} \times 1.0967)} = 0.726nH$$

$$C_{2}' = \frac{C_{2}}{\omega_{0}\Delta Z_{0}} = \frac{1.0967}{(2\pi \times 1 \times 10^{9})(0.1)(50)} = 34.91pF$$

$$L'_{3} = \frac{L_{3}Z_{0}}{\omega_{0}\Delta} = \frac{1.5963 \times 50}{(2\pi \times 1 \times 10^{9} \times 0.1)} = 127.0nH$$
$$C'_{3} = \frac{\Delta}{Z_{0}\omega_{0}L_{3}} = \frac{0.1}{(50)(2\pi \times 2 \times 10^{9} \times 1.5963)} = 0.199pF$$

Thank you