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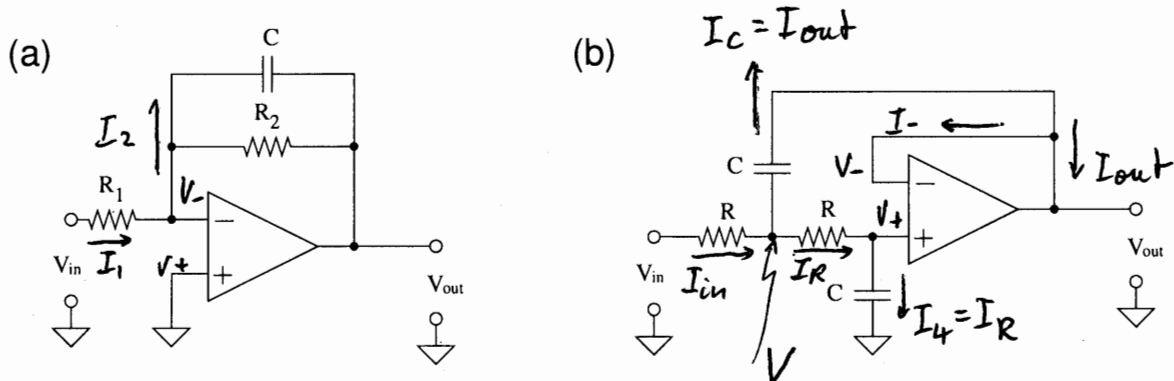


Figure 1: (a) First order active low-pass filter. (b) Sallen-Key second order low-pass filter.

1. Derive Eq. (8) and Eq. (9) in the handout, the equations for the first order low-pass active filters described in the handout for this lab and shown in Fig. 1.

a)

GRI:  $V_+ = V_- = 0$   
 GRII:  $I_1 = I_2 \Rightarrow V_{in}/R_1 = -\frac{V_{out}}{Z_1}$   
 $\hookrightarrow H = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = -\frac{Z_1}{R_1}$  (inverting ampl.)  
 Now  $Z_1 = \frac{R_2 \cdot \frac{1}{i\omega C}}{R_2 + \frac{1}{i\omega C}} = \frac{R_2}{1 + i\omega R_2 C}$

$$|H| = \frac{R_2}{R_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega R_2 C)^2}}$$

b) GRI:  $V_+ = V_- = V_{out}$   
 GRII:  $I_R = I_4$  &  $I_- = 0 \Rightarrow I_C = I_{out}$   
 From  $I_R = I_4$  we get  $\frac{V}{R + \frac{1}{i\omega C}} = \frac{V_{out}}{1/i\omega C}$   
 So  $V = (1 + i\omega RC)V_{out}$  or  $(V - V_{out}) = (i\omega RC)V_{out}$

From  $I_{in} = I_R + I_{out}$  we get  
 $\frac{V_{in} - V}{R} = \frac{V_{out}}{1/i\omega C} + \frac{V - V_{out}}{1/i\omega C}$   
 $V_{in} = (i\omega RC)[V_{out} + (V - V_{out})] + V$   
 $= (i\omega RC)(1 + i\omega RC)V_{out} + (1 + i\omega RC)V_{out}$   
 $= (1 + i\omega RC)^2 V_{out}$

Therefore  $|H(\omega)| = |V_{out}/V_{in}| = \frac{1}{|(1 + i\omega RC)^2|}$

$$|H| = \frac{1}{|1 + i\omega RC| \cdot |1 + i\omega RC|} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{1 + (\omega RC)^2})^2}$$

$$\hookrightarrow |H(\omega)| = \frac{1}{1 + (\omega RC)^2}$$

2. Derive an expression for the 3 dB-point ( $f_{3dB}$ ) for each of the filters described by Eqns. (8) and (9) in terms of their resistances and capacitances.

a) first-order LP filter:

$$H_{max} = |H(\omega=0)| = \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

$$\frac{H_{max}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{R_2}{\sqrt{2} R_1} := \frac{R_2}{R_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+(\omega R_2 C)^2}}$$

$$\hookrightarrow 2 = 1 + (\omega R_2 C)^2 \Rightarrow \omega R_2 C = 1$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{f_{3dB} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_2 C}}$$

b) Sallen-Key filter:

$$H_{max} = |H(\omega=0)| = 1$$

$$\frac{H_{max}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{1+(\omega RC)^2} \Rightarrow \sqrt{2} = 1 + (\omega RC)^2$$

$$\hookrightarrow \omega RC = \sqrt{\sqrt{2}-1}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{f_{3dB} = \frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{2}-1}}{2\pi RC} \approx \frac{0.64}{2\pi RC}}$$

3. Assume that you have a lot of  $0.01\mu\text{F}$  capacitors. Commercial resistors have values  $m \times 10^n \Omega$ , where  $n$  may range from 0 to 6 and available values for  $m$  are 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 27, 30, 33, 36, 39, 43, 47, 51, 56, 62, 68, 75, 82 and 91. To make a unity-gain first-order low-pass RC active filter with  $f_{3dB} = 1600 \text{ Hz}$ , what value resistors should you choose for  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  (Fig. 1a)? To construct a second-order Sallen-and-Key low-pass filter with the same 3 dB-frequency (Fig. 1b), what value  $R$  should you choose?

$$a) f_{3dB} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_2 C} ; \text{ Try } C = 0.01\mu\text{F}$$

$$\hookrightarrow R_2 = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 1600 \text{ s}^{-1} \cdot 0.01\mu\text{F}} = 9947 \Omega \approx 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$b) f_{3dB} \approx \frac{0.64}{2\pi RC} ; \text{ Try } C = 0.01\mu\text{F}$$

$$\hookrightarrow R \approx 0.64 \cdot R_2 = 6.4 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Could try first a  $6.2 \text{ k}\Omega$  resistor and add a  $200 \Omega$  resistor in series, if necessary.