

# **Infinite Impulse Response Filters**

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# Digital IIR Filters

- **Infinite Impulse Response (IIR) filter has impulse response of infinite duration, e.g.**

$$h[k] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k u[k] \xleftrightarrow{Z} H(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k z^{-k} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}z^{-1} + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$$

- **How to implement the IIR filter by computer?**

Let  $x[k]$  be the input signal and  $y[k]$  the output signal,

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} \Rightarrow Y(z) = H(z)X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} X(z) \Rightarrow Y(z) - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}Y(z) = X(z)$$

$$Y(z) - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}Y(z) = X(z) \Rightarrow y[k] - \frac{1}{2}y[k-1] = x[k] \Rightarrow y[k] = \frac{1}{2}y[k-1] + x[k]$$

Recursively compute output, given  $y[-1]$  and  $x[k]$

# Different Filter Representations

- Difference equation**

$$y[k] = \frac{1}{2} y[k-1] + \frac{1}{8} y[k-2] + x[k]$$

Recursive computation  
needs  $y[-1]$  and  $y[-2]$

For the filter to be LTI,  
 $y[-1] = 0$  and  $y[-2] = 0$

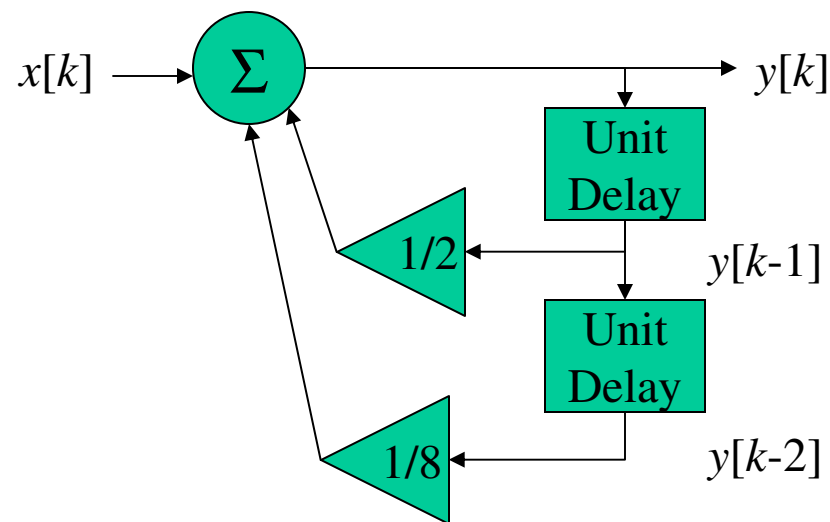
- Transfer function**

Assumes LTI system

$$Y(z) = \frac{1}{2} z^{-1} Y(z) + \frac{1}{8} z^{-2} Y(z) + X(z)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1} - \frac{1}{8} z^{-2}}$$

- Block diagram representation**

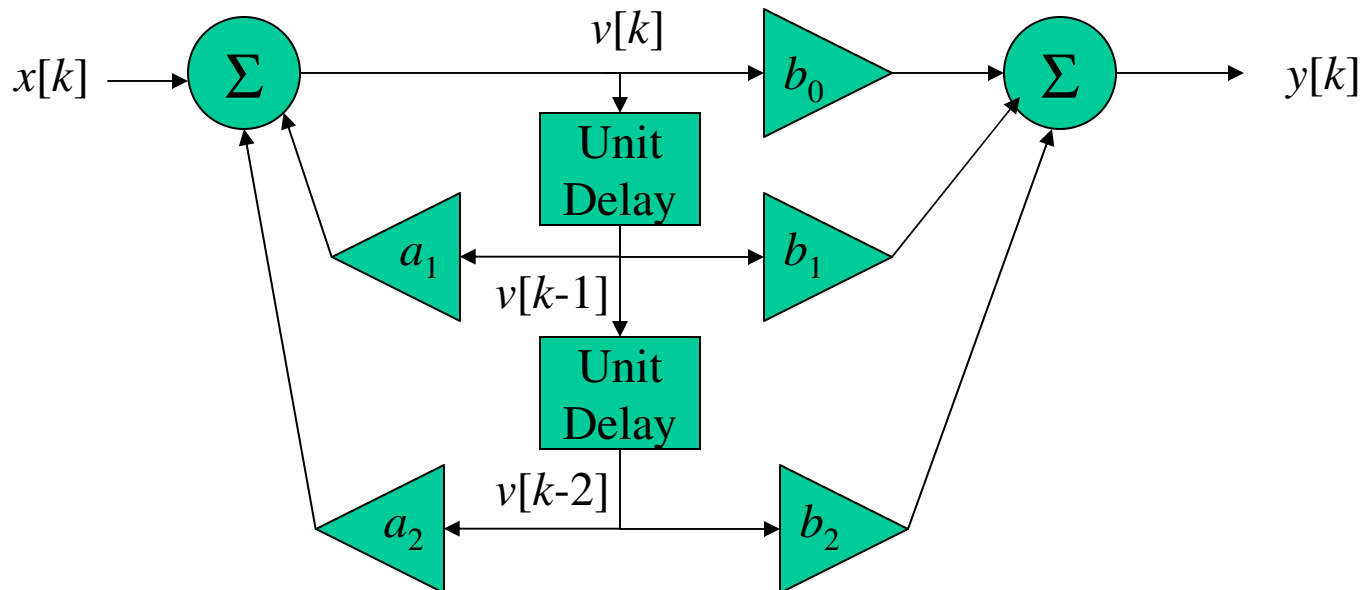


Second-order filter section  
(a.k.a. biquad) with 2  
poles and 0 zeros

**Poles at  $-0.183$  and  $+0.683$**

# Digital IIR Biquad

- Two poles and zero, one, or two zeros



- Take  $z$ -transform of biquad structure

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{V(z) Y(z)}{X(z) V(z)} = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + b_2 z^{-2}}{1 - a_1 z^{-1} - a_2 z^{-2}}$$

- Real coefficients  $a_1, a_2, b_0, b_1,$  and  $b_2$  means poles and zeros in conjugate symmetric pairs  $\alpha \pm j \beta$  <sup>6-4</sup>

# Digital IIR Filter Design

- Poles near unit circle indicate filter's passband(s)
- Zeros on/near unit circle indicate stopband(s)
- Biquad with zeros  $z_0$  and  $z_1$ , and poles  $p_0$  and  $p_1$

Transfer function 
$$H(z) = C \frac{(z - z_0)(z - z_1)}{(z - p_0)(z - p_1)}$$

Magnitude response 
$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = \left| C \frac{(e^{j\omega} - z_0)(e^{j\omega} - z_1)}{(e^{j\omega} - p_0)(e^{j\omega} - p_1)} \right|$$

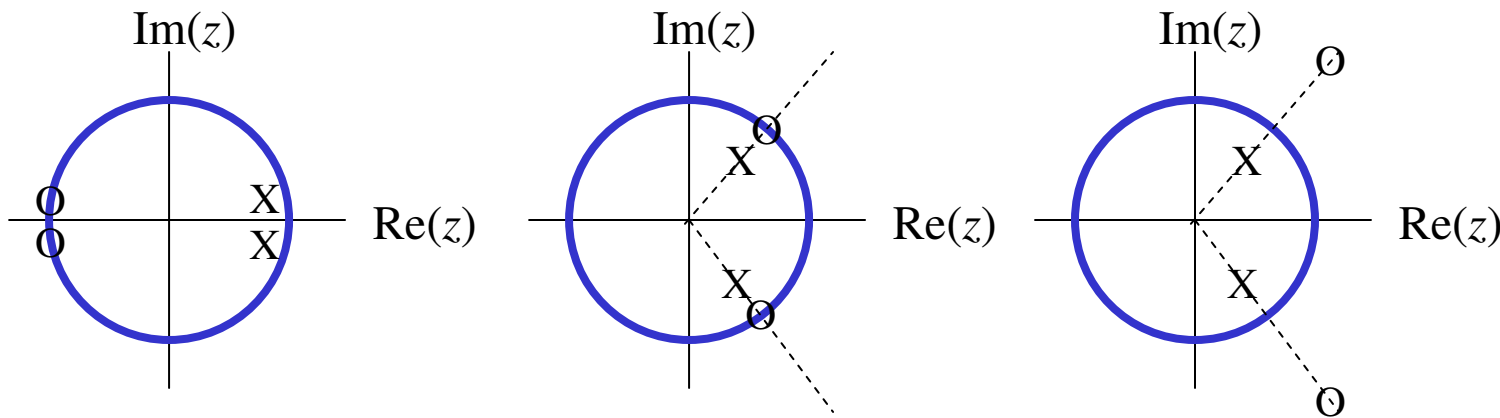
$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = |C| \frac{|e^{j\omega} - z_0| |e^{j\omega} - z_1|}{|e^{j\omega} - p_0| |e^{j\omega} - p_1|}$$

$|a - b|$  is distance  
between complex  
numbers  $a$  and  $b$

Distance from point on unit  
circle  $e^{j\omega}$  and pole location  $p_0$

# Digital IIR Biquad Design Examples

- **Transfer function**  $H(z) = C \frac{(z - z_0)(z - z_1)}{(z - p_0)(z - p_1)} = C \frac{(1 - z_0 z^{-1})(1 - z_1 z^{-1})}{(1 - p_0 z^{-1})(1 - p_1 z^{-1})}$
- **Poles (X) & zeros (O) in conjugate symmetric pairs**
  - For coefficients in unfactored transfer function to be real
- **Filters below have what magnitude responses?**



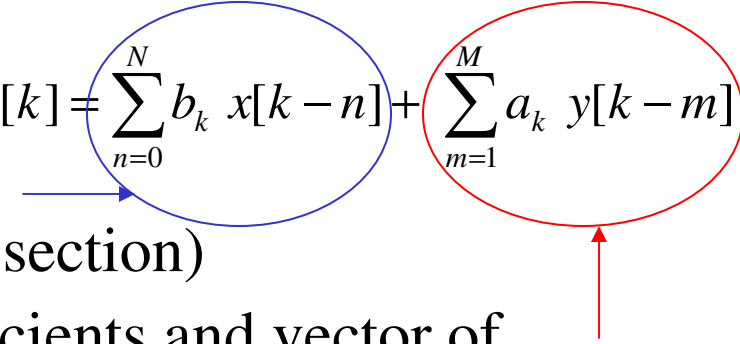
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highpass
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bandstop
allpass
notch?

# A Direct Form IIR Realization

- IIR filters having rational transfer functions

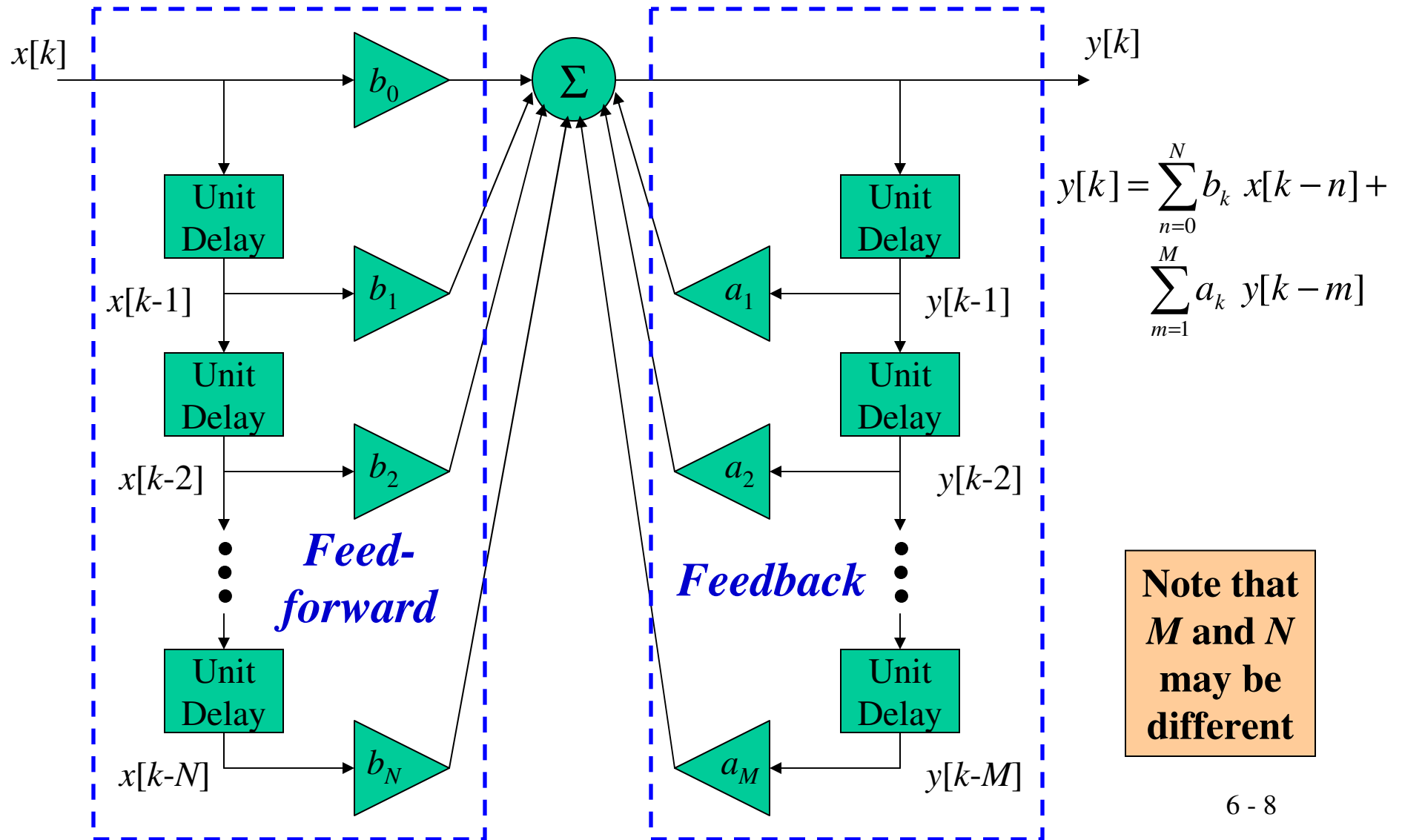
$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{B(z)}{A(z)} = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_N z^{-N}}{1 - a_1 z^{-1} - \dots - a_M z^{-M}} \Rightarrow Y(z) \left( 1 - \sum_{m=1}^M a_m z^{-m} \right) = X(z) \sum_{n=0}^N b_n z^{-n}$$

- Direct form realization

- Dot product of vector of  $N + 1$  coefficients and vector of current input and previous  $N$  inputs (FIR section)
 

$$y[k] = \sum_{n=0}^N b_k x[k-n] + \sum_{m=1}^M a_k y[k-m]$$
- Dot product of vector of  $M$  coefficients and vector of previous  $M$  outputs (*FIR filtering of previous output values*)
- Computation:  $M + N + 1$  MACs
- Memory:  $M + N$  words for previous inputs/outputs and  $M + N + 1$  words for coefficients

# Filter Structure As a Block Diagram





# Another Direct Form IIR Realization

- **When  $N = M$ ,**

$$Y(z) = b_0 X(z) + \sum_{m=1}^N (b_m X(z) + a_m Y(z)) z^{-m} = b_0 X(z) + \sum_{m=1}^N W_m(z) z^{-m}$$

– Here,  $W_m(z) = b_m X(z) + a_m Y(z)$

– In time domain,  $w_m[k] = b_m x[k] + a_m y[k]$

$$y[k] = b_0 x[k] + \sum_{m=1}^M w_m[k - m]$$

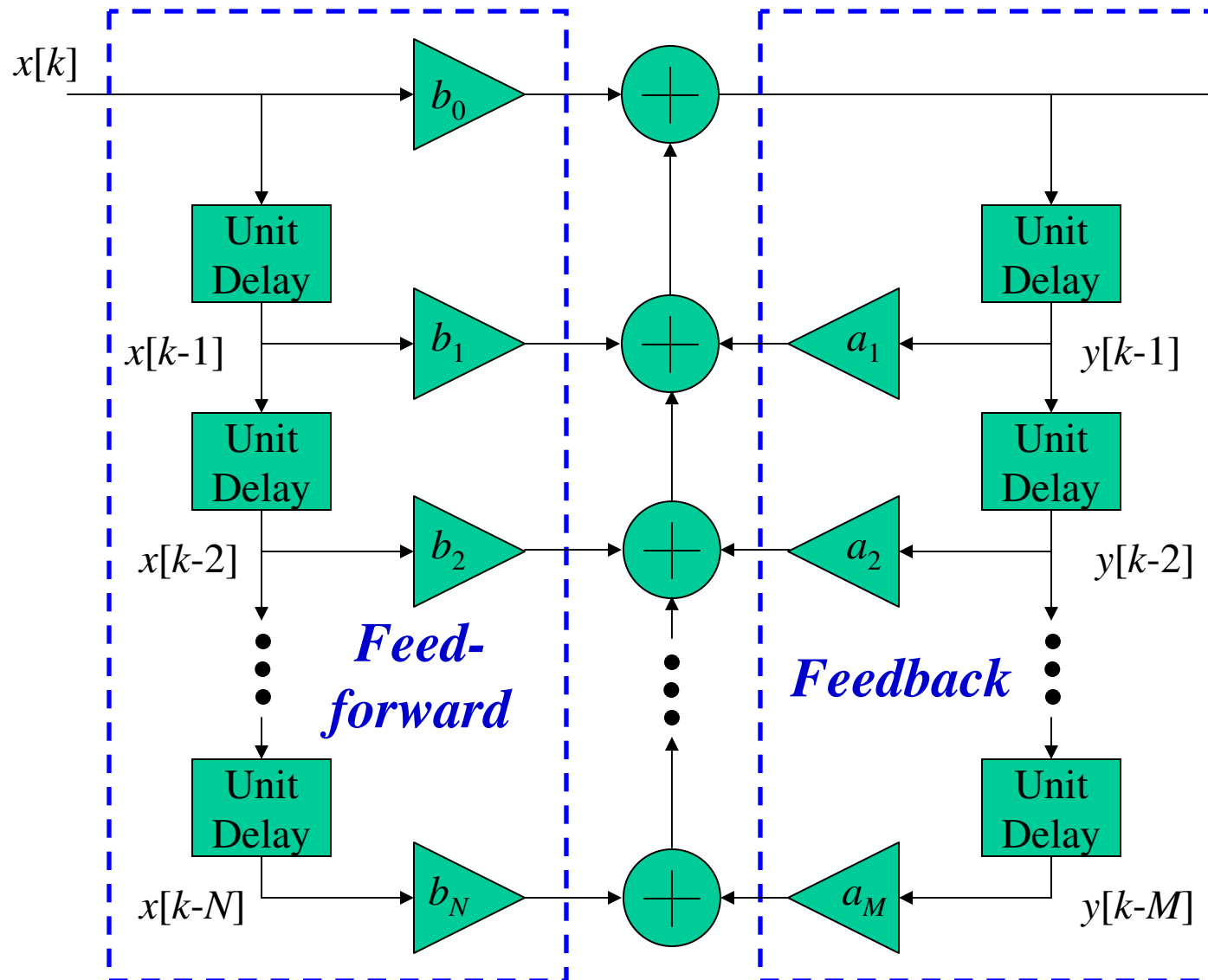
- **Implementation complexity**

– Computation:  $M + N + 1$  MACs

– Memory:  $M + N$  words for previous inputs/outputs and  $M + N + 1$  words for coefficients

- **More regular layout for hardware design**

# Filter Structure As a Block Diagram



$$w_m[k] = b_m x[k] + a_m y[k]$$

$$y[k] = b_0 x[k] + \sum_{m=1}^M w_m[k-m]$$

**Note that  $M = N$  implied but can be different**

# Yet Another Direct Form IIR

- **Rearrange transfer function to be cascade of an all-pole IIR filter followed by an FIR filter**

$$Y(z) = \frac{X(z)B(z)}{A(z)} = V(z)B(z) \text{ where } V(z) = \frac{X(z)}{A(z)}$$

- Here,  $v[k]$  is the output of an all-pole filter applied to  $x[k]$ :

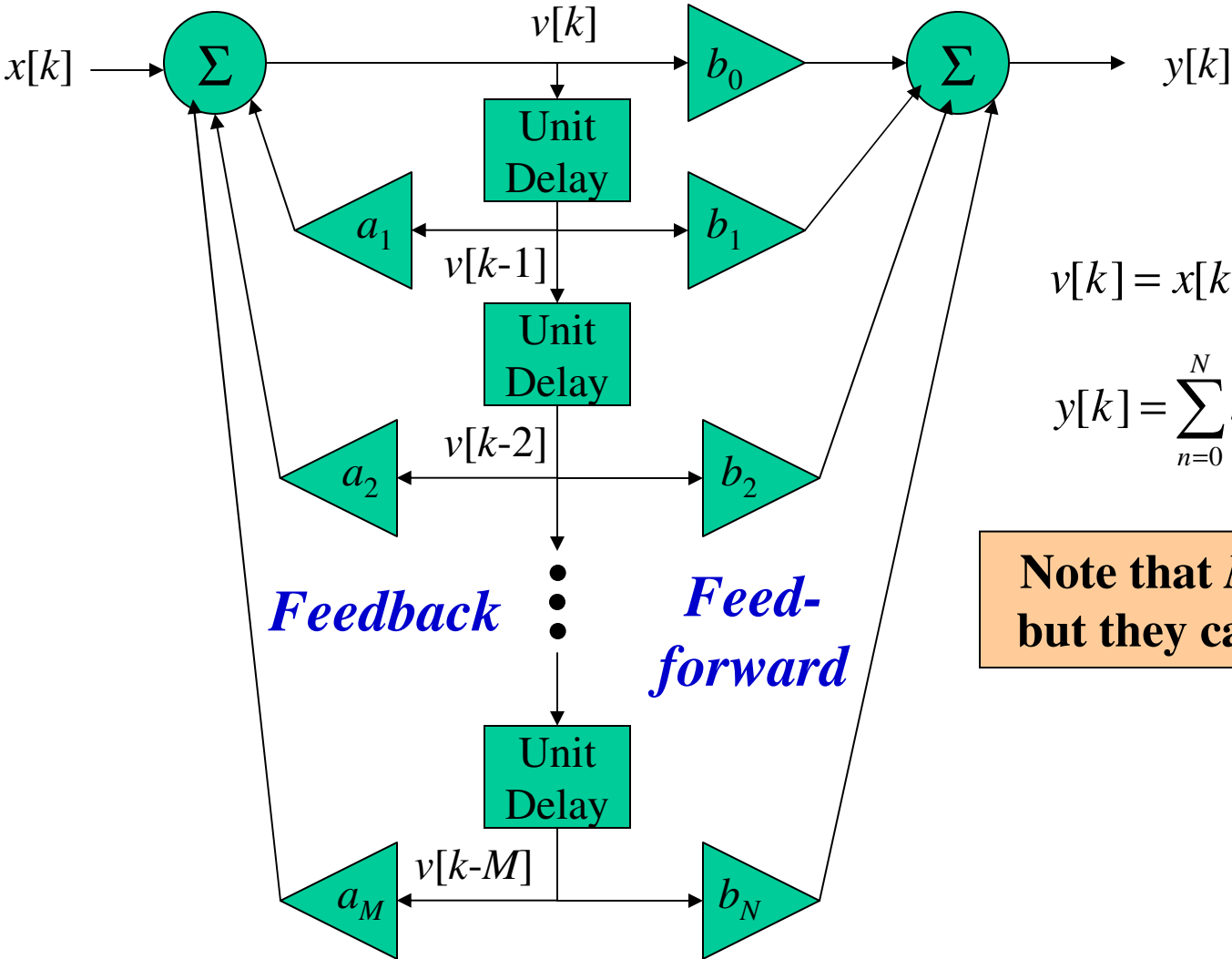
$$v[k] = x[k] + \sum_{m=1}^M a_m v[k-m]$$

$$y[k] = \sum_{n=0}^N b_n v[k-n]$$

- **Implementation complexity (assuming  $M \geq N$ )**

- Computation:  $M + N + 1 = 2N + 1$  MACs
- Memory:  $M + 1$  words for current/past values of  $v[k]$  and  $M + N + 1 = 2N + 1$  words for coefficients

# Filter Structure As Block Diagram



$$v[k] = x[k] + \sum_{m=1}^M a_m v[k-m]$$

$$y[k] = \sum_{n=0}^N b_n v[k-n]$$

Note that  $M = N$  implied but they can be different

$M=2$  yields a biquad

# Demonstrations (*DSP First*)

- **Web site:** <http://users.ece.gatech.edu/~dspfirst>
- **Chapter 8: IIR Filtering Tutorial ([Link](#))**
- **Chapter 8: Connection Between the Z and Frequency Domains ([Link](#))**
- **Chapter 8: Time/Frequency/Z Domain Moves for IIR Filters ([Link](#))**


# Stability

- A digital filter is *bounded-input bounded-output (BIBO) stable* if for any bounded input  $x[k]$  such that  $|x[k]| \leq B < \infty$ , then the filter response  $y[k]$  is also bounded  $|y[k]| \leq B < \infty$
- **Proposition:** A digital filter with an impulse response of  $h[k]$  is BIBO stable if and only if

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| < \infty$$

- Any FIR filter is stable
- A rational causal IIR filter is stable if and only if its poles lie inside the unit circle

# Stability

- **Rule #1:** For a causal sequence, poles are inside the unit circle (applies to  $z$ -transform functions that are ratios of two polynomials) **OR**
- **Rule #2:** Unit circle is in the region of convergence. (In continuous-time, imaginary axis would be in region of convergence of Laplace transform.)
- **Example:**  $a^k u[k] \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{1 - a z^{-1}}$  for  $|z| > |a|$  

Stable if  $|a| < 1$  by *rule #1* or equivalently

Stable if  $|a| < 1$  by *rule #2* because  $|z| > |a|$  and  $|a| < 1$

# Z and Laplace Transforms

- Transform difference/differential equations into algebraic equations that are easier to solve
- Are complex-valued functions of a complex frequency variable

Laplace:  $s = \sigma + j 2 \pi f$

Z:  $z = r e^{j \omega}$

- Transform kernels are complex exponentials: eigenfunctions of linear time-invariant systems

Laplace:  $e^{-s t} = e^{-\sigma t - j 2 \pi f t} = \left( e^{-\sigma t} \right) \left( e^{-j 2 \pi f t} \right)$

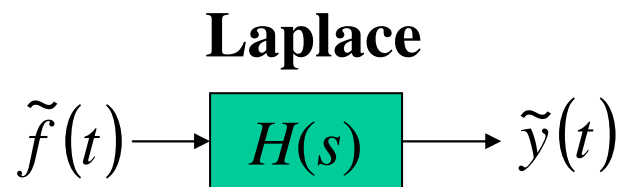
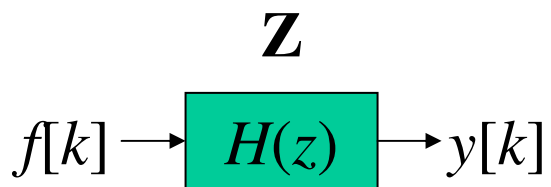
Z:  $z^{-k} = (r e^{j \omega})^{-k} = \left( r^{-k} \right) \left( e^{-j \omega k} \right)$

**dampening factor**   **oscillation term**



# Z and Laplace Transforms

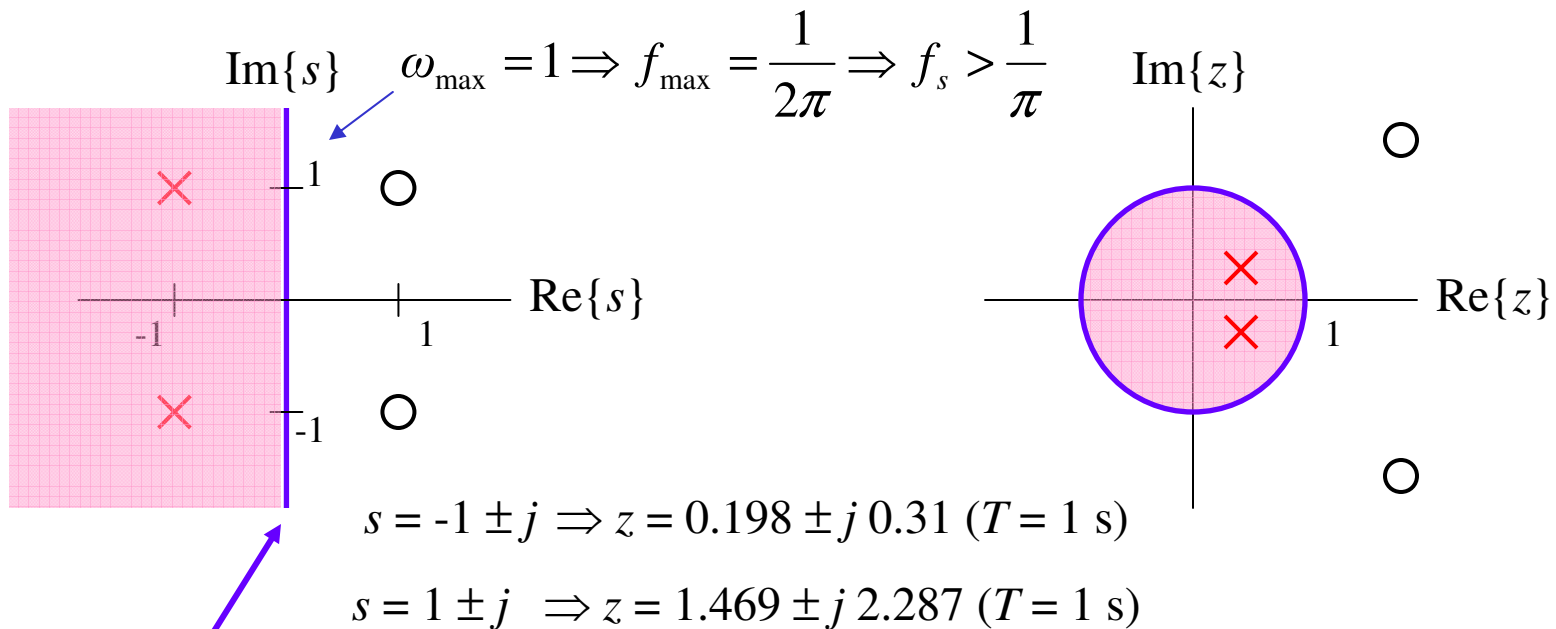
- **No unique mapping from Z to Laplace domain or from Laplace to Z domain**
  - Mapping one complex domain to another is not unique
- **One possible mapping is impulse invariance**
  - Make impulse response of a discrete-time linear time-invariant (LTI) system be a sampled version of the continuous-time LTI system.



$$H(s) = H(z) \Big|_{z=e^{sT}}$$

# Impulse Invariance Mapping

- Impulse invariance mapping is  $z = e^{sT}$



$s = j 2 \pi f$

<i>Laplace Domain</i>	<i>Z Domain</i>
<b>Left-hand plane</b>	<b>Inside unit circle</b>
<b>Imaginary axis</b>	<b>Unit circle</b>
<b>Right-hand plane</b>	<b>Outside unit circle</b>

Optional

# Impulse Invariance Derivation

$$\tilde{f}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f[k] \delta(t - kT)$$

$$\tilde{y}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} y[k] \delta(t - kT)$$

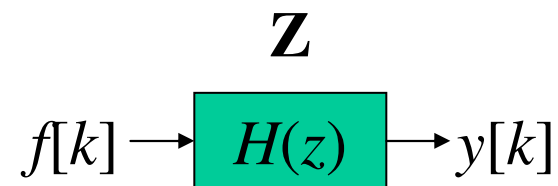
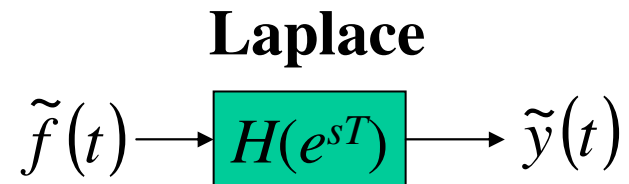
$$\tilde{Y}(s) = H(s) \tilde{F}(s)$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} y[k] (e^{sT})^{-k} = H(s) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f[k] e^{-kTs}$$

Let  $z = e^{sT}$  :

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} y[k] z^{-k} = H(z) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f[k] z^{-k}$$

$$Y(z) = H(z) F(z)$$



# Analog IIR Biquad

- **Second-order filter section with 2 poles and 2 zeros**
  - Transfer function is a ratio of two real-valued polynomials
  - Poles and zeros occur in conjugate symmetric pairs
- ***Quality factor: technology independent measure of sensitivity of pole locations to perturbations***
  - For an analog biquad with poles at  $a \pm j b$ , where  $a < 0$ ,
$$Q = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{-2a} \quad \text{where } \frac{1}{2} \leq Q < \infty$$
    - Real poles:  $b = 0$  so  $Q = 1/2$  (exponential decay response)
    - Imaginary poles:  $a = 0$  so  $Q = \infty$  (oscillatory response)

# Analog IIR Biquad

- **Impulse response with biquad with poles  $a \pm j b$  with  $a < 0$  but no zeroes:**  $h(t) = C e^{a t} \cos( b t + \theta )$ 
  - Pure sinusoid when  $a = 0$  and pure decay when  $b = 0$
- **Breadboard implementation**
  - Consider a single pole at  $-1/(R C)$ . With 1% tolerance on breadboard  $R$  and  $C$  values, tolerance of pole location is 2%
  - *How many decimal digits correspond to 2% tolerance?*
  - *How many bits correspond to 2% tolerance?*
  - Maximum quality factor is about 25 for implementation of analog filters using breadboard resistors and capacitors.
  - Switched capacitor filters:  $Q_{\max} \approx 40$  (tolerance  $\approx 0.2\%$ )
  - Integrated circuit implementations can achieve  $Q_{\max} \approx 80$

# Digital IIR Biquad

- For poles at  $a \pm j b = r e^{\pm j \theta}$ , where  $r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$  is the pole radius ( $r < 1$  for stability), with  $y = -2 a$ :

$$Q = \frac{\sqrt{(1+r^2)^2 - y^2}}{2(1-r^2)} \quad \text{where} \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq Q < \infty$$

- Real poles:  $b = 0$  so  $r = |a|$  and  $y = \pm 2 r$  which yields  $Q = 1/2$  (exponential decay response  $C_0 a^n u[n] + C_1 n a^n u[n]$ )
- Poles on unit circle:  $r = 1$  so  $Q = \infty$  (oscillatory response)
- Imaginary poles:  $a = 0$  so  $y = 0$  so  $Q = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1+r^2}{1-r^2}$
- 16-bit fixed-point DSPs:  $Q_{\max} \approx 40$  (extended precision accumulators)

# Analog/Digital IIR Implementation

- **Classical IIR filter designs**

Filter of order  $n$  will have  $n/2$  conjugate roots if  $n$  is even or one real root and  $(n-1)/2$  conjugate roots if  $n$  is odd

Response is very sensitive to perturbations in pole locations

- **Robust way to implement an IIR filter**

Decompose IIR filter into second-order sections (biquads)

Cascade biquads in order of ascending *quality factors*

For each pair of conjugate symmetric poles in a biquad, conjugate zeroes should be chosen as those closest in Euclidean distance to the conjugate poles

# Classical IIR Filter Design

- **Classical IIR filter designs differ in the shape of their magnitude responses**

Butterworth: monotonically decreases in passband and stopband (no ripple)

Chebyshev type I: monotonically decreases in passband but has ripples in the stopband

Chebyshev type II: has ripples in passband but monotonically decreases in the stopband

Elliptic: has ripples in passband and stopband

- **Classical IIR filters have poles and zeros, except that analog lowpass Butterworth filters are all-pole**
- **Classical filters have biquads with high Q factors**

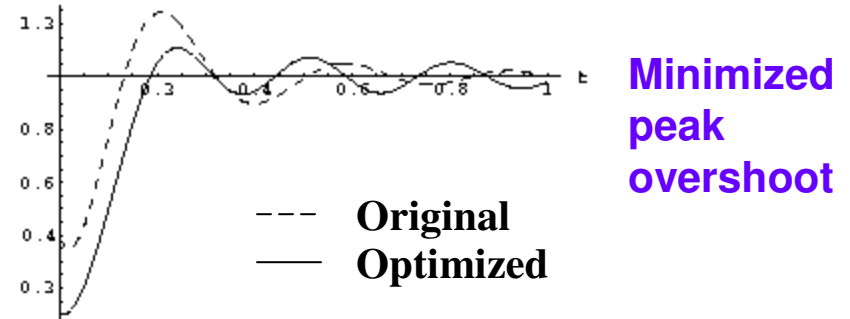
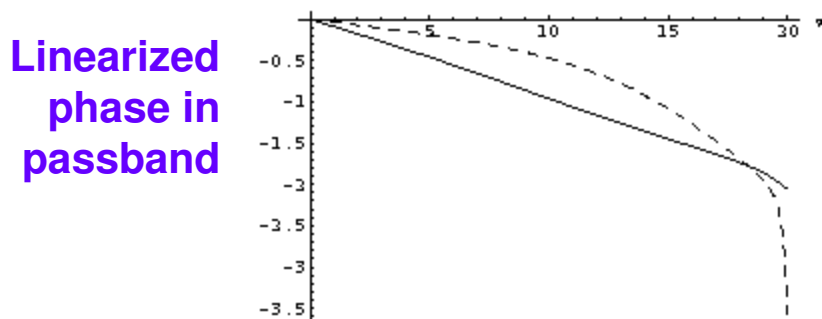


# Analog IIR Filter Optimization

- **Start with an existing (e.g. classical) filter design**
- **IIR filter optimization packages from UT Austin (in Matlab) simultaneously optimize**
  - Magnitude response
  - Linear phase in the passband
  - Peak overshoot in the step response
  - Quality factors
- **Web-based graphical user interface (developed as a senior design project) available at**  
<http://signal.ece.utexas.edu/~bernitz>

# Analog IIR Filter Optimization

- Design an analog lowpass IIR filter with  $\delta_p = 0.21$  at  $\omega_p = 20$  rad/s and  $\delta_s = 0.31$  at  $\omega_s = 30$  rad/s with
  - Minimized deviation from linear phase in passband
  - Minimized peak overshoot in step response
  - Maximum quality factor of second-order sections is 10



initial

Q	poles	zeros
1.7	$-5.3533 \pm j16.9547$	$0.0 \pm j20.2479$
61.0	$-0.1636 \pm j19.9899$	$0.0 \pm j28.0184$

Q	poles	zeros
0.68	$-11.4343 \pm j10.5092$	$-3.4232 \pm j28.6856$
10.00	$-1.0926 \pm j21.8241$	$-1.2725 \pm j35.5476$

optimized