

Causal, stable, linear phase filters with rational transfer functions have to be necessarily FIR.

We will study more about all-pass and min<sup>m</sup> phase filters.

A  $K^{\text{th}}$  order all-pass filter can be written as a cascade of  $K$  first order all-pass sections.

$$H_k(z) = \frac{-a_k^* + z^{-1}}{1 - a_k z^{-1}} = \frac{z^{-1} - r_k e^{-j\theta_k}}{1 - r_k e^{j\theta_k} z^{-1}}$$

$$H_{ap}(z) = \prod_{k=1}^K H_k(z)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta H_k(e^{j\omega}) = \phi_k(\omega) &= \arg\{e^{-j\omega} - r_k e^{-j\theta_k}\} - \arg\{1 - r_k e^{j\theta_k} e^{-j\omega}\} \\
 &= \arg\{e^{-j\omega}\} + \arg\{1 - r_k e^{-j\theta_k} e^{j\omega}\} - \arg\{1 - r_k e^{j\theta_k} e^{-j\omega}\} \\
 &= -\omega - 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{r_k \sin(\omega - \theta_k)}{1 - r_k \cos(\omega - \theta_k)}
 \end{aligned}$$

The overall phase response is,

$$\phi(\omega) = -K\omega - 2 \sum_{k=1}^K \tan^{-1} \frac{r_k \sin(\omega - \theta_k)}{1 - r_k \cos(\omega - \theta_k)}$$

The associated group delay is

$$\tau_g(\omega) = - \frac{d}{d\omega} \phi(\omega)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= K + 2 \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{\gamma_k \cos(\omega - \theta_k) - \gamma_k^2}{1 - 2\gamma_k \cos(\omega - \theta_k) + \gamma_k^2} \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1 - \gamma_k^2}{1 - 2\gamma_k \cos(\omega - \theta_k) + \gamma_k^2} = \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1 - \gamma_k^2}{|1 - \gamma_k e^{j\theta_k} e^{-j\omega}|^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\gamma_k < 1 \forall k$ ,  $\tau_g(\omega) > 0$  for an all-pass filter

Also, since  $\tau_g(\omega) = -\phi'(\omega)$ ,  $\phi(\omega)$  is a monotonic decreasing function.

One can also easily prove the following:

$$|H_k(z)| = \begin{cases} > 1 & |z| < 1 \\ = 1 & |z| = 1 \\ < 1 & |z| > 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{this property holds for } \underbrace{H_{ap}(z)}_{K^{\text{th}} \text{ order all-pass}} \text{ also}$$

We also saw that  $H(z)$  is called as a **minimum phase filter** if all its poles and zeros are inside the unit circle.

To see the connection between a general  $H(z)$  and its associated minimum phase and all-pass decomposition, let  $H(z)$  be such that it has only one zero outside the unit circle.

$$H(z) = H_1(z) (z^{-1} - c_k^*)$$

That is, the zero is at  $\frac{1}{c_k^*}$ , where  $|c_k| < 1$

Rewrite  $H(z)$  as follows:

$$H(z) = H_1(z)(1 - c_k z^{-1}) \cdot \frac{z^{-1} - c_k^*}{1 - c_k z^{-1}}$$

Since  $|c_k| < 1$ ,  $H_1(z)(1 - c_k z^{-1})$  is *minimum phase* and

$$\frac{z^{-1} - c_k^*}{1 - c_k z^{-1}} \text{ is } \textit{all-pass}.$$

This procedure can be repeated for every outside-unit-circle

zero, and hence any  $H(z)$  can be written as  $H_{\min}(z) \cdot H_{ap}(z)$

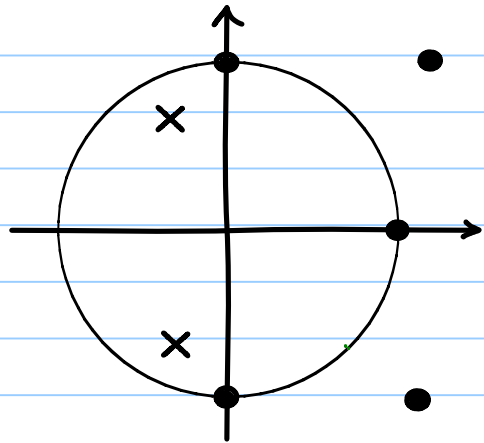
If  $H(z)$  has zeros on the unit circle, then those zeros cannot be part of  $H_{\min}(z)$ . Hence, the most general decomposition of  $H(z)$  is as follows:

$$H(z) = H_{\min}(z) \cdot H_{uc}(z) \cdot H_{ap}(z)$$

where  $H_{uc}(z)$  contains all the unit circle zeros of  $H(z)$ .

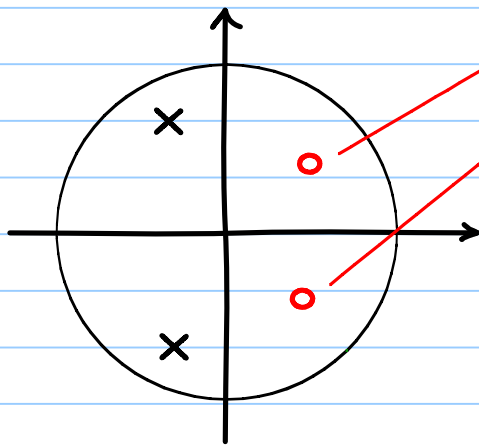
If a system is minimum phase, causal, and stable, its *inverse system* is also causal, stable, and minimum phase.

$$H(z) = H_{min}(z) H_{uc}(z) H_{af}(z)$$

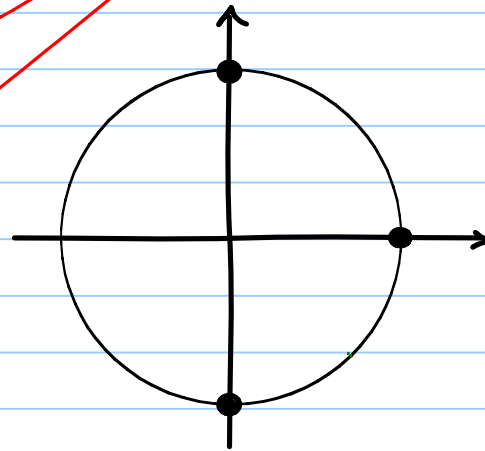


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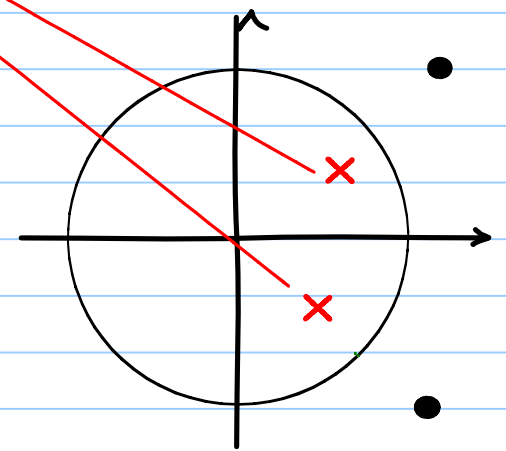
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$H_{min}(z)$



$H_{uc}(z)$



$H_{af}(z)$