
Filters in the z-Plane

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Lecture #28

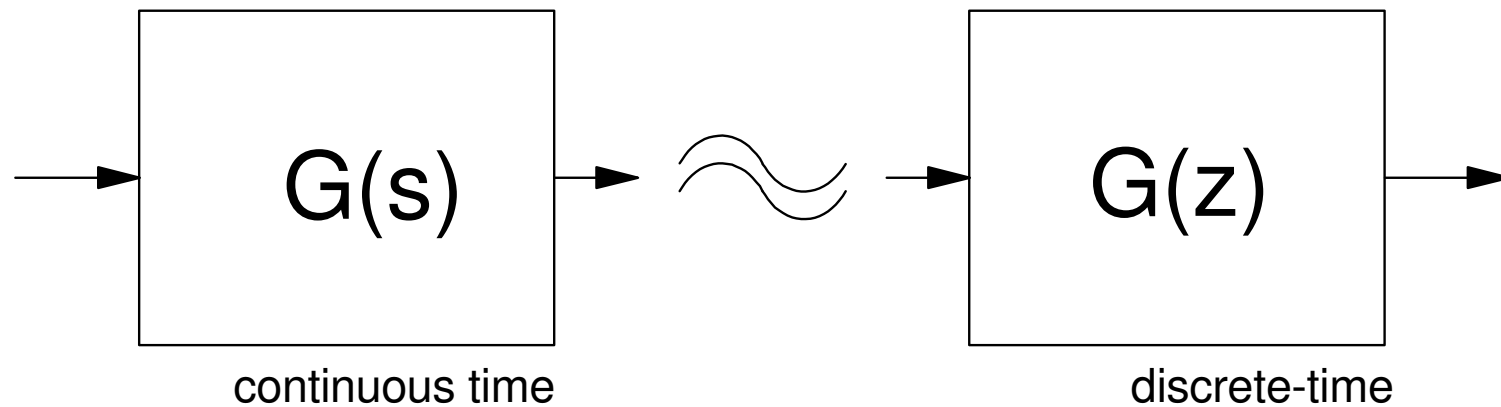
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Filters in the z-Plane

Given $G(s)$, find $G(z)$ so that

- They both have the same step response, or
- They both have the same frequency response.



continuous time

discrete-time

LaPlace Operator (s)

LaPlace Transforms assume

$$y(t) = e^{st}$$

giving

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = s \cdot e^{st} = sy$$

sY means 'the derivative of y(t)'

A transfer function, such as

$$Y = \left(\frac{2s+3}{s^2+2s+10} \right) X$$

is equivalent to

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dt} + 10y = 2\frac{dx}{dt} + 3x$$

z-Operator

z-Transforms assume

$$y(k) = z^k$$

giving

$$y(k+1) = z^{k+1} = z \cdot z^k = zy(k)$$

zY means 'the next value of y(k)

A transfer function, such as

$$Y = \left(\frac{2z+3}{z^2+2z+10} \right) X$$

means

$$y(k+2) + 2y(k+1) + 10y(k) = 2x(k+1) + 3x(k)$$

s to z-Plane Relationship

Assume

$$t = kT$$

where

- k is the sample number
- T is the sampling time (one sample every T seconds)

Substituting

$$y(kT) = e^{skT} = (e^{sT})^k = (z)^k$$

$$z = e^{sT}$$

Filter Analysis in the s-Plane

Find $y(t)$

$$Y = \left(\frac{2}{s+3} \right) X$$

$$x(t) = 4 \cos(5t) + 6 \sin(5t)$$

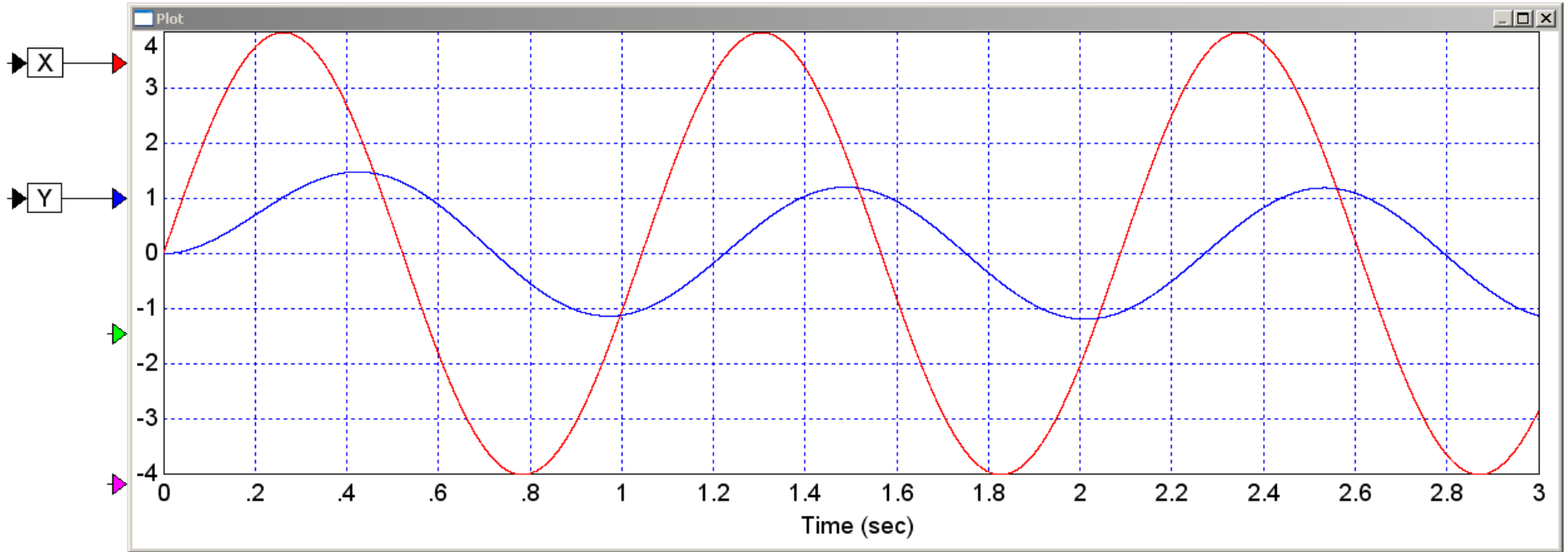
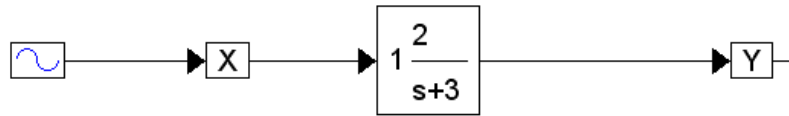
Solution:

$$Y = \left(\frac{2}{s+3} \right)_{s=j5} (4 - j6)$$

$$Y = -1.059 - j2.235$$

$$y(t) = -1.059 \cos(5t) + 2.235 \sin(5t)$$

s-Plane: Sine-wave input produces a sine-wave output



Filter Analysis in the z-Plane

$$z = e^{sT} = e^{j\omega T}$$

Find $y(t)$. Assume $T = 0.01$ second

$$Y = \left(\frac{0.2}{z-0.9} \right) X$$

$$x(t) = 4 \cos(5t) + 6 \sin(5t)$$

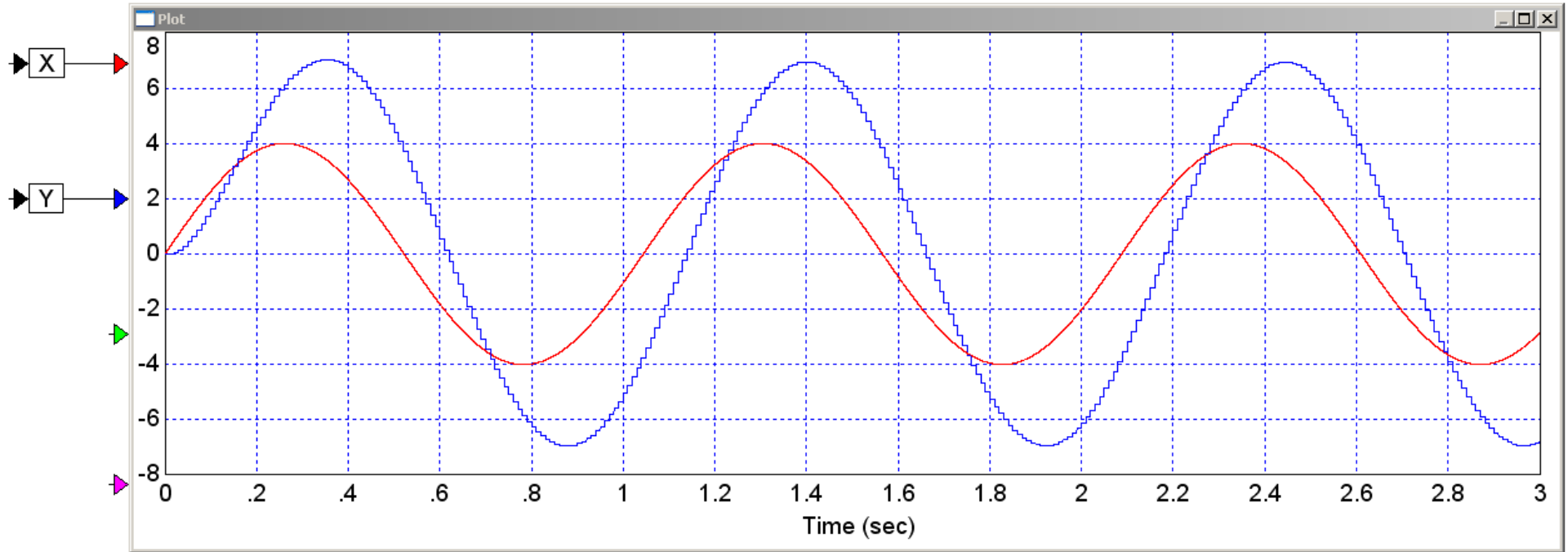
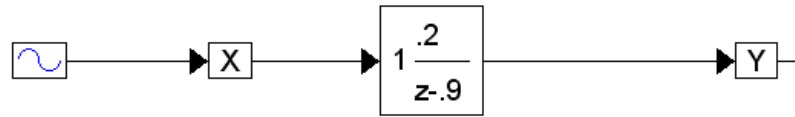
Solution: Determine the gain at $z = e^{j5T}$

$$Y = \left(\frac{0.2}{z-0.9} \right)_{z=e^{j0.05}} (4 - j6)$$

$$Y = -2.575 - j1.548$$

$$y(t) = -2.575 \cos(5t) + 1.548 \sin(5t)$$

z-Plane: Sine wave input produces a sine-wave output



Converting $G(s)$ to $G(z)$

- Poles convert as $z = e^{sT}$
- Zeros convert as $z = e^{sT}$
- Add a gain to match the gain at one frequency (typically DC)

Example 1: Convert to the z-plane. Assume $T = 0.01$

$$G(s) = \left(\frac{30}{(s+2)(s+10)} \right)$$



Solution: Convert the poles to the z-plane

$$s = -2 \quad z = e^{-2T} = 0.9802$$

$$s = -10 \quad z = e^{-10T} = 0.9048$$

so

$$G(z) = \left(\frac{k}{(z-0.9802)(z-0.9048)} \right)$$

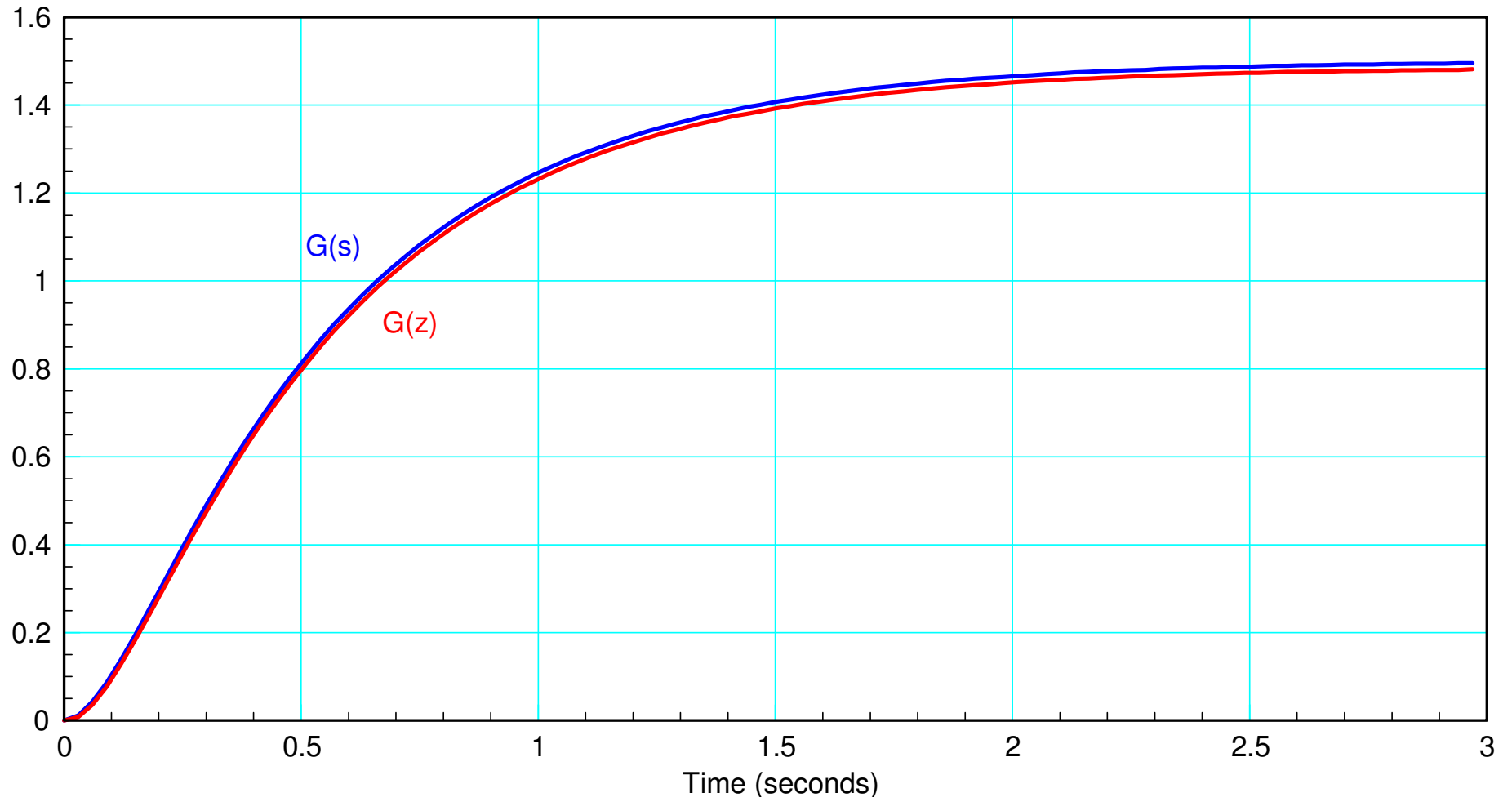
To find k, match the gain at DC

$$\left(\frac{30}{(s+2)(s+10)} \right)_{s=0} = \left(\frac{k}{(z-0.9802)(z-0.9048)} \right)_{z=1} = 1.5$$

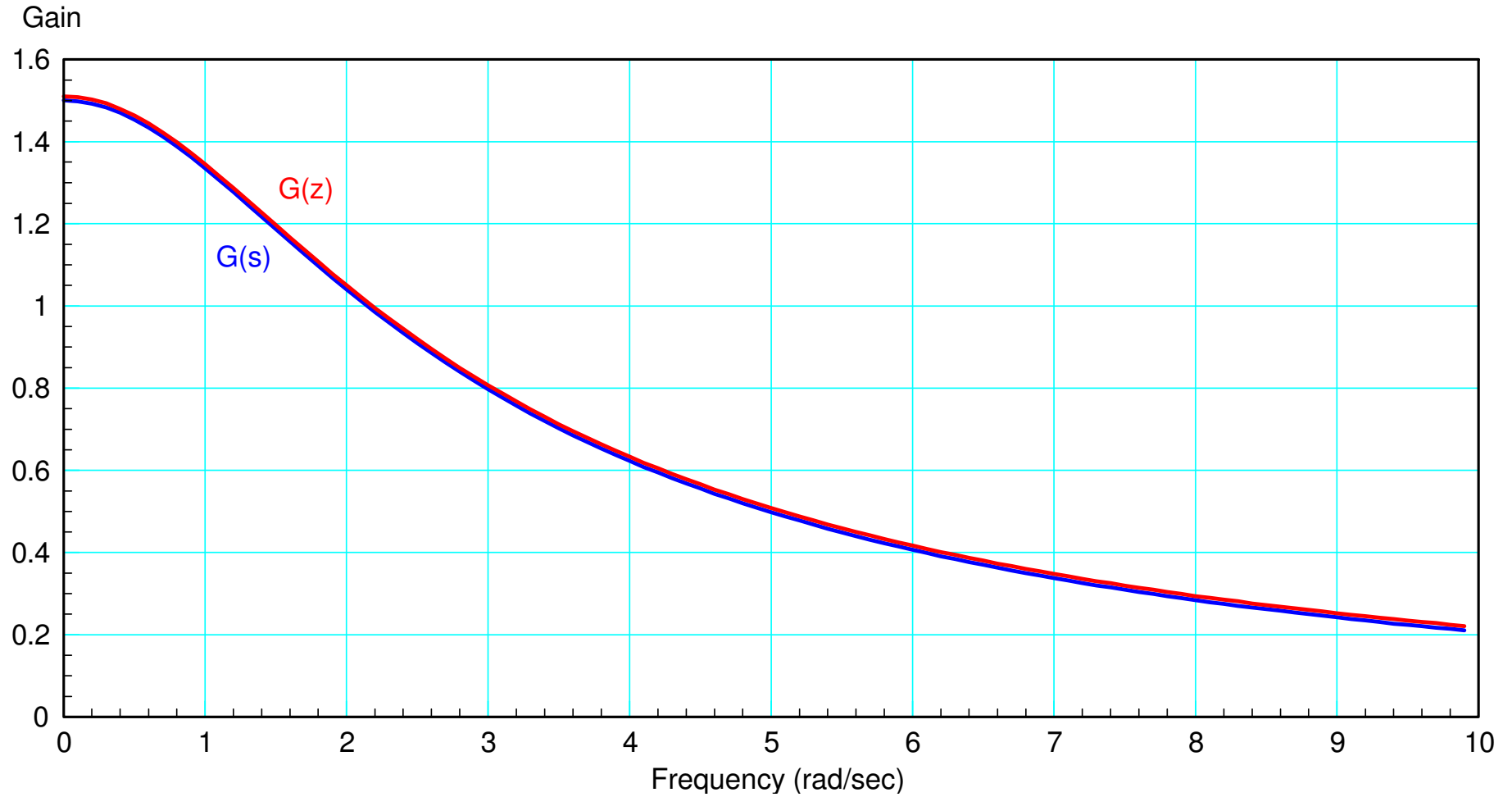
$$k = 0.002827$$

$$\left(\frac{30}{(s+2)(s+10)} \right) \approx \left(\frac{0.002827}{(z-0.9802)(z-0.9048)} \right)$$

$G(s)$ and $G(z)$ have the same step response



$G(s)$ and $G(z)$ have the same frequency response



Implementing $G(z)$

Write a program to implement

$$Y = \left(\frac{0.2(z-0.9)}{z^3 - 1.3z^2 + 1.6z + 0.6} \right) X$$

Cross multiply

$$(z^3 - 1.3z^2 + 1.6z + 0.6)Y = 0.2(z - 0.9)X$$

Write the difference equation

$$y(k+3) - 1.3y(k+2) + 1.6y(k+1) + 0.6y(k) = \\ 0.2(x(k+1) - 0.9x(k))$$

Solve for the highest value of $y(k+2)$

$$y(k+3) = 1.3y(k+2) - 1.6y(k+1) - 0.6y(k) + \\ 0.2(x(k+1) - 0.9x(k))$$

Time shift (change of variable: $k+3 = k'$)

$$y(k') = 1.3y(k'-1) - 1.6y(k'-2) - 0.6y(k'-3) \\ + 0.2(x(k'-2) - 0.9x(k'-3))$$

This is essentially the program

$$Y = \left(\frac{0.2(z-0.9)}{z^3-1.3z^2+1.6z+0.6} \right) X$$

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while (1) {  
    x3 = x2;  
    x2 = x1;  
    x1 = x0;  
    x0 = A2D_Read(0);  
  
    y3 = y2;  
    y2 = y1;  
    y1 = y0;  
    y0 = 1.3*y1 - 1.6*y2 - 0.6*y3 + 0.2*( x2 - 0.9*x3 );  
  
    D2A(y0);  
  
    Wait_T();  
}
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Note

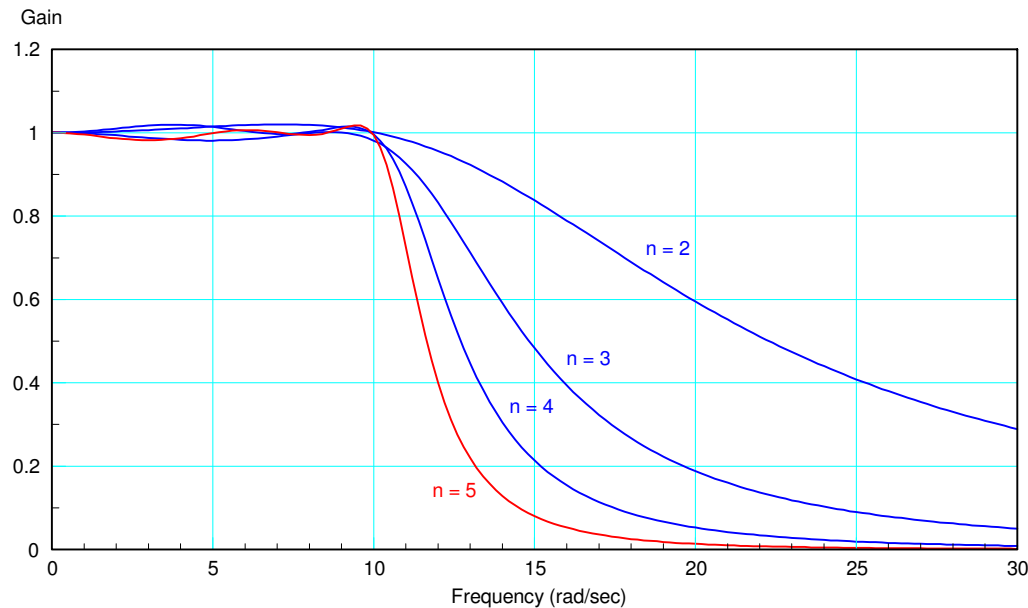
- If you want to change the filter, you just change one line of code
 - If you want complex poles or zeros, just choose coefficients that have complex roots
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Example 2: Design a digital low-pass filter

$$G(j\omega) \approx \begin{cases} 1 & \omega < 10 \\ 0 & \omega > 10 \end{cases}$$

From lecture #26, a 5th-order Chebychev filter is

$$G(s) = \left(\frac{4.8 \cdot 7.6^2 \cdot 10.6^2}{(s+4.8)(s+7.6\angle\pm 59.3^\circ)(s+10.6\angle\pm 82^\circ)} \right)$$



Convert $G(s)$ to $G(z)$

$$G(s) = \left(\frac{4.8 \cdot 7.6^2 \cdot 10.6^2}{(s+4.8)(s+7.6 \angle \pm 59.3^\circ)(s+10.6 \angle \pm 82^\circ)} \right)$$

Assume $T = 10\text{ms}$

Convert using $z = e^{sT}$

$$s = -4.8$$

$$z = 0.9531$$

$$s = -7.6 \angle \pm 59.3^\circ$$

$$z = 0.9599 \pm j0.0626$$

$$s = -10.6 \angle \pm 82^\circ$$

$$z = 0.9799 \pm j0.1032$$

so

$$G(z) = \left(\frac{k}{(z-0.9531)(z-0.9599 \pm j0.0626)(z-0.9799 \pm j0.1032)} \right)$$

Pick 'k' s that the DC gain is 1.000

$$\left(\frac{k}{(z-0.9531)(z-0.9599 \pm j0.0626)(z-0.9799 \pm j0.1032)} \right)_{z=1} = 1$$

$$k = 2.8797 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

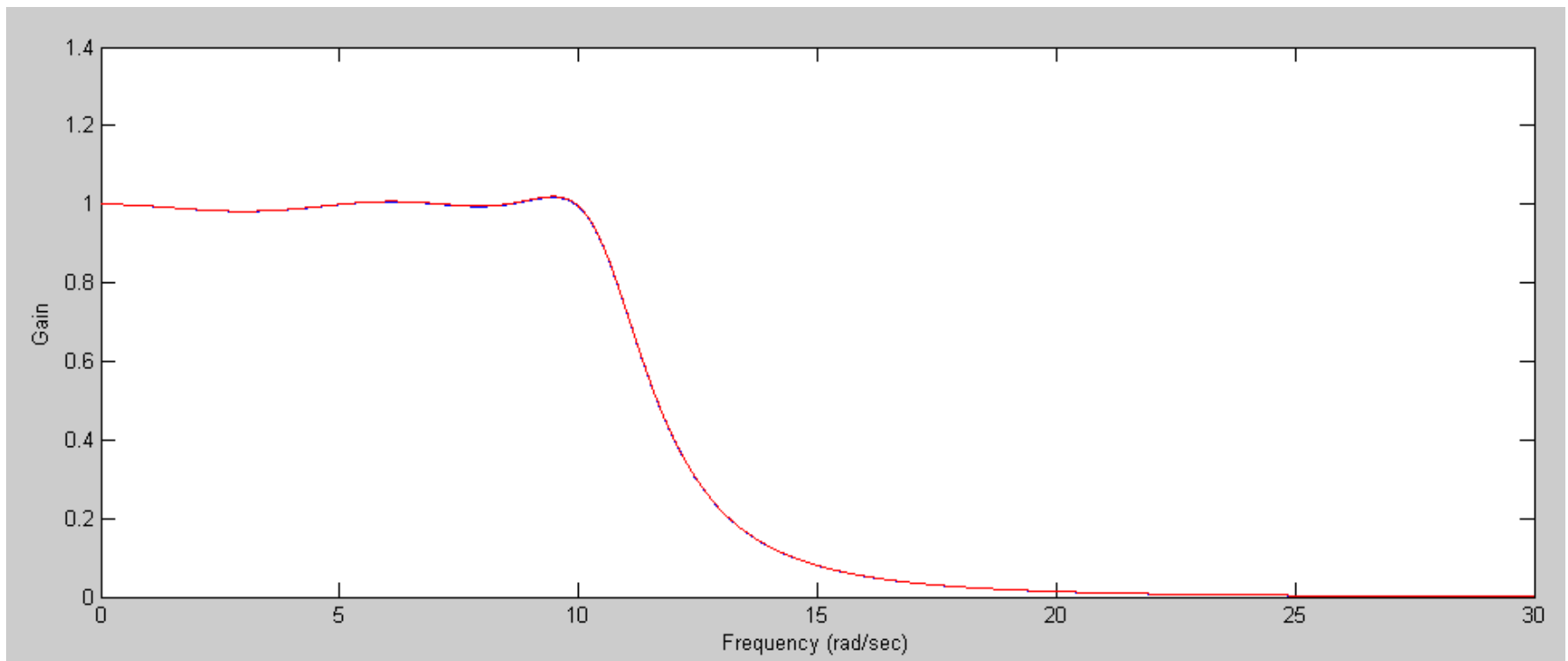
so

$$G(z) = \left(\frac{2.8797 \cdot 10^{-6}}{(z-0.9531)(z-0.9599 \pm j0.0626)(z-0.9799 \pm j0.1032)} \right)$$

In Matlab:

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s1 = -4.8;  
s2 = -7.6*exp(j*59.3*pi/180);  
s3 = conj(s2);  
s4 = -10.6*exp(j*82*pi/180);  
s5 = conj(s4);  
ks = abs( prod([s1, s2, s3, s4, s5]) );  
  
T=0.01;  
  
z1 = exp(s1*T);  
z2 = exp(s2*T);  
z3 = exp(s3*T);  
z4 = exp(s4*T);  
z5 = exp(s5*T);  
kz = abs( prod([z1-1, z2-1, z3-1, z4-1, z5-1]) );
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w = [0:0.01:30]';  
s = j*w;  
z = exp(s*T);  
Gs = ks ./ ( (s-s1) .* (s-s2) .* (s-s3) .* (s-s4) .* (s-s5) );  
Gz = kz ./ ( (z-z1) .* (z-z2) .* (z-z3) .* (z-z4) .* (z-z5) );  
plot(w, abs(Gs), 'b', w, abs(Gz), 'r');
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Summary:

Converting an analog filter, $G(s)$, to a digital filter, $G(z)$, is fairly easy

- Zeros convert as $z = e^{sT}$
- Poles convert at $z = e^{sT}$
- Pick 'k' to match the DC gain

Once you have the digital filter, it's fairly straight forward to write the corresponding code

- 1st and 2nd-order filters are easier to code and have better numerical properties
- Split up the 5th order filter into cascaded 1st & 2nd order filters

$$G(z) = \left(\frac{0.0469}{z-0.9531} \right) \left(\frac{0.0056}{z-0.9599 \pm j0.0626} \right) \left(\frac{0.0111}{z-0.9799 \pm j0.1032} \right)$$