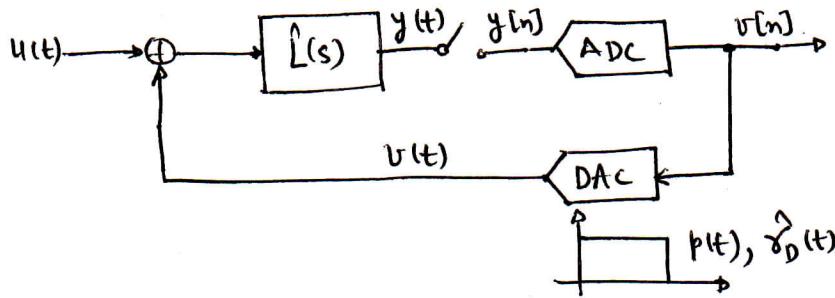


Synthesis of Higher-Order CT $\Delta\Sigma$ Modulators:

Lecture 23.

①



For the CT-DSM, we write the loop response as

$$l[n] = \hat{\gamma}_D \otimes \hat{l}(t) \Big|_{t=nT_s} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{\gamma}_D(\tau) \hat{l}(t-\tau) d\tau \Big|_{t=nT_s} \quad \rightarrow ①$$

• This is also called the "Impulse-invariant transform" or "IIT".

In frequency domain IIT is written as

$$\mathcal{Z}^{-1}\{L(z)\} = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\{\hat{R}_D(s) \cdot \hat{l}(s)\} \Big|_{t=nT_s} \quad \rightarrow ②$$

Symbols and conventions (from Cherry's book):

- $\hat{l}(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} \hat{l}(s)$ is the CT loop filter (\wedge) in the analog domain (CT).
- $\hat{\gamma}_D(t)$, $\hat{\gamma}_{DAC}(t)$ or simply $\gamma_D(t)$ is the feedback DAC pulse-shape. $\hat{R}_D(s)$ is its \mathcal{Z} -domain representation.

- Start with a DT modulator with an open-loop response (i.e. the loop-filter in DT) $L(z)$, that results in $NTF(z)$.

↳ Map $L(z)$ to a CT $\Delta\Sigma$ modulator with a DAC pulse-shape $\hat{\gamma}_D(t)$.

↳ Use ① or ② to find the CT loop-filter $\hat{l}(s)$.

i.e.

$$\{L(z), \hat{\gamma}_D(t)\} \xrightarrow{\text{IIT}} \hat{l}(s)$$

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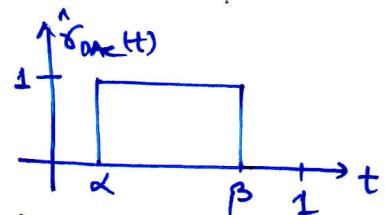
This IIT mapping is systematically done using the Tables derived in Cherry's book or papers. The steps are as follows:

① Write $L(z)$ as a partial fraction expansion

↳ choose a rectangular DAC pulse shape of magnitude 1 and timing $[\alpha, \beta]$. Note that to start with we design the CT DSM with a normalized frequency of $f_s = 1 \text{ Hz} \Rightarrow T_s = 1 \text{ s}$

DAC pulse-shape: $\delta_{\alpha, \beta}(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \alpha \leq t \leq \beta \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad 0 \leq \alpha \leq \beta \leq 1.$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{R}_{\alpha, \beta}(s) = \frac{1}{s} [e^{-\alpha s} - e^{-\beta s}]$$



② Use the table to convert each partial fraction pole form 'Z'-domain to 'S'-domain, and recombine to get $L(s)$

- Using IIT, a Z -domain pole of multiplicity 'l' at $Z=z_k$ maps to a CT pole at $s=s_k$ with the same multiplicity, such that $s_k = \ln(z_k)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(z-z_k)^l} \text{ maps to } \frac{y_0}{(s-s_k)^l}, \quad y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$$

- A poor intuition:

Integrator

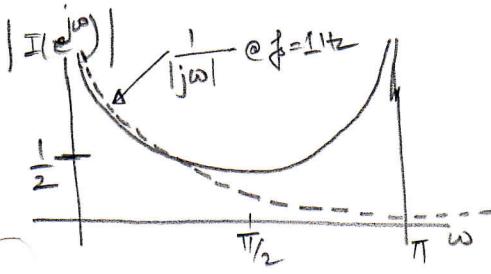
$$I(z) = \frac{z^l}{1-z^l} = \frac{1}{z-1} = \frac{1}{e^{sT_s}-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{e^s-1} \quad \text{for } T_s=1$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+s+\frac{s^2}{2!}+\dots)-1}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{1+s-1} = \frac{1}{s}$$

, $|sT_s| < 1$
 $\Rightarrow \omega \ll \pi$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z-1} \text{ maps to } \frac{1}{s}$$

DT integrator

CT integrator

S-Domain Equivalences for z-Domain Loop Filter Poles

S-DOMAIN EQUIVALENCES FOR z-DOMAIN LOOP FILTER POLES

s-domain pole	s-domain equivalent	Limit for $z_k = 1$
$\frac{1}{z - z_k}$	$\frac{r_0}{s - s_k} \times \frac{1}{z_k^{1-\alpha} - z_k^{1-\beta}}$ $r_0 = s_k$	$\frac{r_0}{s - s_k}$ $r_0 = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}$
$\frac{1}{(z - z_k)^2}$	$\frac{r_1 s + r_0}{(s - s_k)^2} \times \frac{1}{z_k(z_k^{1-\alpha} - z_k^{1-\beta})^2}$ $r_1 = q_1 s_k + q_0$ $r_0 = q_1 s_k^2$ $q_1 = z_k^{1-\beta}(1 - \beta) - z_k^{1-\alpha}(1 - \alpha)$ $q_0 = z_k^{1-\alpha} - z_k^{1-\beta}$	$r_1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha + \beta - 2}{\beta - \alpha}$ $r_0 = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}$
$\frac{1}{(z - z_k)^3}$	$\frac{r_2 s^2 + r_1 s + r_0}{(s - s_k)^3} \times \frac{1}{z_k^2(z_k^{1-\alpha} - z_k^{1-\beta})^3}$ $r_2 = \frac{1}{2} q_2 s_k - q_1$ $r_1 = -q_2 s_k^2 + q_1 s_k + q_0$ $r_0 = \frac{1}{2} q_2 s_k^3$ $q_2 = (1 - \beta)(2 - \beta)(z_k^{1-\beta})^2$ $+ (1 - \alpha)(2 - \alpha)(z_k^{1-\alpha})^2$ $+ [\beta(\beta + 3) + \alpha(\alpha + 3)]$ $- 4(1 + \alpha\beta)[z_k^{1-\alpha} z_k^{1-\beta}]$ $q_1 = (\frac{3}{2} - \beta)(z_k^{1-\beta})^2 + (\frac{3}{2} - \alpha)(z_k^{1-\alpha})^2$ $+ (\alpha + \beta - 3)z_k^{1-\alpha} z_k^{1-\beta}$ $q_0 = (z_k^{1-\alpha} - z_k^{1-\beta})^2$	$r_2 = \frac{1}{12} \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} [\beta(\beta - 9)$ $+ \alpha(\alpha - 9) + 4\alpha\beta + 12]$ $r_1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha + \beta - 3}{\beta - \alpha}$ $r_0 = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}$

Z-Domain Equivalences for s-Domain Loop Filter Poles

z-DOMAIN EQUIVALENCES FOR *s*-DOMAIN LOOP FILTER POLES

<i>s</i> -domain pole	<i>z</i> -domain equivalent	Limit for $s_k = 0$
$\frac{1}{s-s_k}$	$y_0 = \frac{z - z_k}{z^{1-\alpha} - z_k^{1-\beta}} \times \frac{1}{s_k}$	$y_0 = \frac{y_0}{z - z_k}$ $y_0 = \beta - \alpha$
$\frac{1}{(s-s_k)^2}$	$y_1 = z_k^{1-\beta} [1 - s_k(1 - \beta)]$ $- z_k^{1-\alpha} [1 - s_k(1 - \alpha)]$ $y_0 = z_k^{2-\alpha} (1 + s_k \alpha)$ $- z_k^{2-\beta} (1 + s_k \beta)$	$y_1 = \frac{1}{2} [\beta(2 - \beta) - \alpha(2 - \alpha)]$ $y_0 = \frac{1}{2} (\beta^2 - \alpha^2)$
$\frac{1}{(s-s_k)^3}$	$y_2 = z_k^{1-\beta} [-1 + s_k(1 - \beta) + \frac{s_k^2}{2}(1 - \beta)^2]$ $- z_k^{1-\alpha} [-1 + s_k(1 - \alpha) + \frac{s_k^2}{2}(1 - \alpha)^2]$ $y_1 = z_k^{2-\beta} [2 - s_k(1 - 2\beta)]$ $+ \frac{s_k^2}{2} (-1 - 2\beta + 2\beta^2)$ $+ z_k^{2-\alpha} [2 - s_k(1 - 2\alpha)]$ $+ \frac{s_k^2}{2} (-1 - 2\alpha + 2\alpha^2)$ $y_0 = z_k^{3-\alpha} (1 + s_k \alpha + \frac{s_k^2}{2}\alpha^2)$ $- z_k^{3-\beta} (1 + s_k \beta + \frac{s_k^2}{2}\beta^2)$	$y_2 = \frac{y_2 z^2 + y_1 z + y_0}{(z - z_k)^3}$ $y_2 = \frac{1}{6} (\beta^3 - \alpha^3)$ $y_1 = - \frac{1}{2} (\beta^2 - \alpha^2) + \frac{1}{2} (\beta - \alpha)$ $y_1 = - \frac{1}{3} (\beta^3 - \alpha^3)$ $y_0 = - \frac{1}{2} (\beta^2 - \alpha^2) - \frac{1}{2} (\beta - \alpha)$ $y_0 = \frac{1}{6} (\beta^3 - \alpha^3)$

- Poles at DC (i.e. $z_k=1$) end up giving $\frac{0^l}{0^k}$ term, as the numerator of the Z-domain equivalent in CT.
 - Apply L'Hospital's rule \rightarrow results in Column 3 of the table
 - \Rightarrow Use column '3' for ideal integrators which have poles at $z_k=1$.

Example 1 : 2nd order CT-DSM

NRZ DAC i.e. $(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 1)$

$$NTF(z) = (-z^{-1})^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow L(z) &= \frac{NTF(z)-1}{NTF(z)} = \frac{(-z^{-1})^2 - 1}{(-z^{-1})^2} \\ &= \frac{-2z^{-1} + z^{-2}}{(z^{-1})^2} \\ \Rightarrow L(z) &= \boxed{\frac{-2z+1}{(z-1)^2}} \quad \leftarrow \text{always write in } \frac{1}{(z-z_k)^k} \text{ form} \end{aligned}$$

when using the tables.

- MATLAB can be used to find the partial fraction

`[r, p, k] = residue(b, a);`

$$\frac{b(z)}{a(z)} = \frac{b_0 z^m + b_1 z^{m-1} + \dots + b_{m+1}}{a_1 z^n + a_2 z^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n+1}}$$

The residue command gives

$$\frac{b(z)}{a(z)} = \frac{x_1}{z-p_1} + \frac{x_2}{(z-p_2)} + \dots + \frac{x_n}{(z-p_n)} + k(z) \quad \text{direct term}$$

In case of repeated poles, it implies

$$= \frac{x_1}{(z-p_1)} + \frac{x_2}{(z-p_1)^2} + \dots \text{ other terms}$$

See documentation for further details.

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- Now we express $L(z)$ as the partial fraction expansion

$$L(z) = \frac{-2}{(z-1)} + \frac{-1}{(z-1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow z_k=1 \rightarrow s_k=0.$$

- Converting each of the partial fraction into its CT equivalent by applying column 3 of the table.

$$\cdot \frac{1}{z-z_k} \xleftrightarrow{\text{IT}} \frac{x_0}{s-s_k}, \quad x_0 = \frac{1}{(\beta-\alpha)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z-1} \xleftrightarrow{\text{CT}} \frac{x_0}{s} \longrightarrow ①$$

$$\cdot \frac{1}{(z-1)^2} \xleftrightarrow{\text{CT}} \frac{x_1 s + x_0}{s^2}, \quad x_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha+\beta-2}{\beta-\alpha} \right) \longrightarrow ②$$

with $(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 1)$, we get

$$x_0 = \frac{1}{\beta-\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(z-1)} \longrightarrow \frac{1}{s}$$

$$\frac{1}{(z-1)^2} \longrightarrow \frac{(1 - 0.5s)}{s^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \therefore L(z) = \frac{-2}{z-1} + \frac{-1}{(z-1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow L(s) = \frac{-2}{s} + \frac{-1 + 0.5s}{s^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow L(s) = -\frac{1+1.5s}{s^2}$$

← The -ve sign depends upon the feedback sign convention used in the block diagram (think!)

first derived by Comdy in 1985

CT equivalent of the double-integration modulator
↳ (Bosar-Wooley topology)

- for $T_s \neq 1$, we simply replace 's' by ' sT_s ' to denormalize the loop-filter

$$\Rightarrow \hat{L}(s) = -\frac{1 + 1.5sT_s}{(sT_s)^2} = -\frac{1 + 1.5T_s s}{s^2 (T_s)^2}$$

Example 2: RZ DAC

$$\Rightarrow (\beta-\alpha) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(z-1)} \rightarrow \frac{2}{s}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{1}{(z-1)^2} \rightarrow \frac{2 - 1.5s}{s^2}$$

$$\therefore L(z) = -\frac{2}{z-1} + \frac{-1}{(z-1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{L}(s) = -\frac{4}{s} + \frac{-2 + 1.5s}{s^2}$$

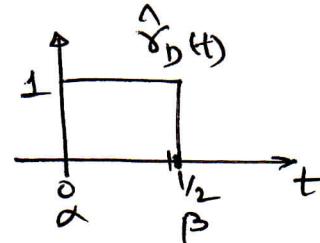
$$= \frac{-4s - 2 + 1.5s}{s^2}$$

$$\boxed{\hat{L}(s)_{RZ} = -\left(\frac{2 + 2.5s}{s^2}\right)}$$

Recall that:

$$\hat{L}(s)_{NRZ} = -\frac{(1 + 1.5s)}{s^2}$$

- The numerator coefficients are higher in magnitude
 - in order to get same quantizer input voltage ($y[n]$) with a shorter DAC pulse, we require larger integrator gains.



Using MATLAB

$$[a, b, c, d] = tf2ss([0 -2 1], [1 -2 1], 1)$$

num den Ts=1

`sysd = ss(a, b, c, d, 1); % state space, Ts=1`

`sysc = d2c(sysd); % convert to CT system from DT`

for rectangular DAC pulses (α, β), only the \hat{B} matrix changes.

$$\hat{B}_{\alpha, \beta} = \left[e^{\hat{A}(1-\alpha)} - e^{\hat{A}(1-\beta)} \right]^{-1} (\hat{A} - I) \hat{B}_{(0,1)}$$

see [Norooziany ch4]

→ sometimes, it may not work when \hat{A} is singular
e.g. $\hat{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- `d2c` command takes care of \hat{A} singularity.

The code:

`Ac = sysc.a;` %. get A_c matrix

`bc = (inv(expm(Ac * (1-alpha)) - expm(Ac * (1-beta))) * (sysd.a - eye(2)) * sysc.b`

`sysc.b = bc;` %. reset bc

`tf(sysc);` %. print tf

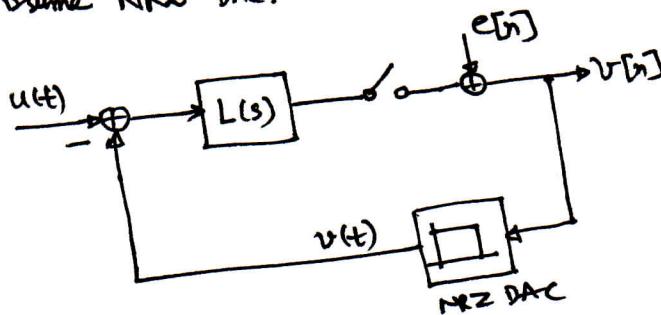
returns $\frac{(-2.5s - 2)}{s^2}$ as the resulting transfer function. $= \hat{L}(s)$

PS: The DE toolbox function `realize_NTF_ct` can also be used to determine $\hat{L}(s)$, using the numerical fitting approach, covered later.

Time-domain intuition of CT loop filter design:

Ex. $NTF(z) = (1-z)^2$

Assume NRZ DAC.



$$NTF(z) = \frac{1}{1+L(z)} \rightarrow \text{Discrete-time equivalent of the CT loop response (closed-loop)}$$

$$\Rightarrow L(z) = \frac{1}{NTF(z)} - 1 = \frac{1}{(1-z)^2} - 1$$

$$= \frac{z^2(2-z)}{(1-z)^2}$$

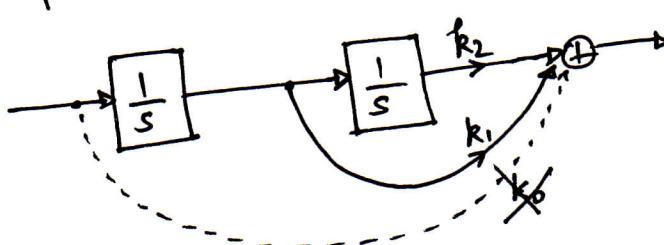
$$= \frac{z^2}{(1-z)} + \frac{z^2}{(1-z)^2} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} \text{partial fraction expansion} \\ \text{in the form of delaying} \\ \text{integrators.} \end{matrix}$$

We have two integrators in the loop filter

$$\Rightarrow (\frac{1}{1-z})^2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{z^2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{s^2} \Rightarrow 2 \text{ CT integrators are needed to implement the loop filter.}$$

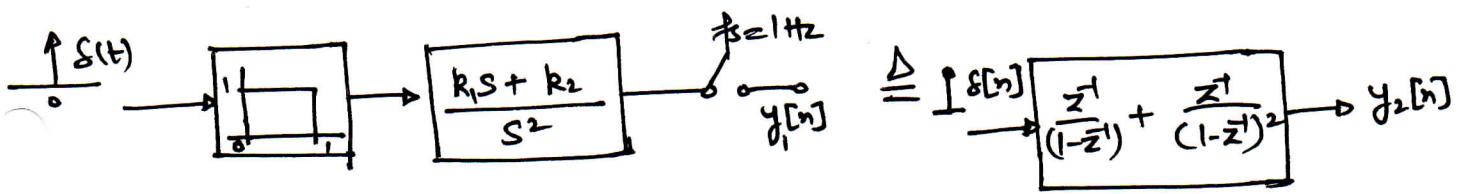
$$\begin{aligned} NTF(z) &= \frac{1}{1+L(z)} = 1 \\ \Rightarrow L(z) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow l[0] &= 0. \\ \Rightarrow \text{No zero-delay loop!} \end{aligned}$$

Ex. feed-forward (CIFF/FF) implementation:



$k_0 = 0 \Rightarrow$ No delay-free loop.

$$\Rightarrow L(s) = k_0 + \frac{k_1}{s} + \frac{k_2}{s^2}$$



\Rightarrow We want $y_1[n] = y_2[n]$ for IIT.

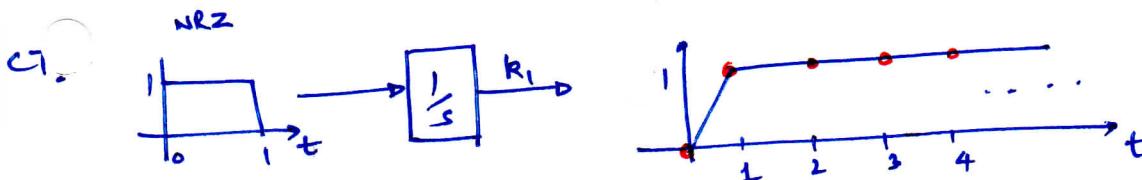
\Rightarrow Δz loop will not be able to differentiate the difference between the DT and CT loop.

• Now, we have

$$\text{DT: } y_2[n] = z^{-1} \left\{ \frac{z^{-1}}{1-z^{-1}} \right\} \rightarrow \{0, 1, 1, \dots\}$$

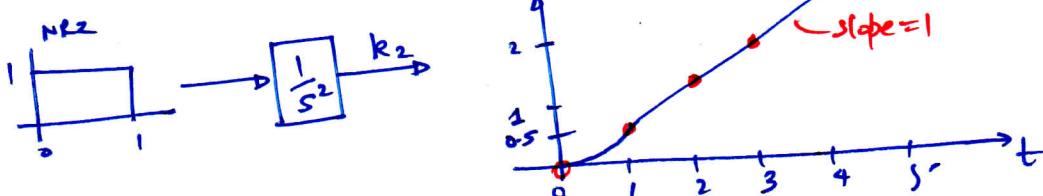
$$+ z^{-1} \left\{ \frac{z^{-1}}{(1-z^{-1})^2} \right\} \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

$$\underline{y_2[n]} \rightarrow \{0, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$$



$$\Rightarrow k_1 \cdot \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ \text{NRZ} \oplus \frac{1}{s} \} \xrightarrow{1 \text{ Hz}} k_1 \{0, 1, 1, \dots\}$$

Also:



$$\Rightarrow k_2 \cdot \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ \text{NRZ} \oplus \frac{1}{s^2} \} \xrightarrow{1 \text{ Hz}} k_2 \{0, 0.5, 1.5, 2.5, \dots\}$$

\Rightarrow for $y_1[n] = y_2[n]$, we have

$$k_1 \{0, 1, 1, \dots\} + k_2 \{0, 0.5, 1.5, 2.5, \dots\} = \{0, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\} \rightarrow ①$$

from ①, we have two consistent set of equations :

$$k_1 + \frac{1}{2}k_2 = 2 \longrightarrow (i)$$

$$k_1 + \frac{3}{2}k_2 = 3 \longrightarrow (ii)$$

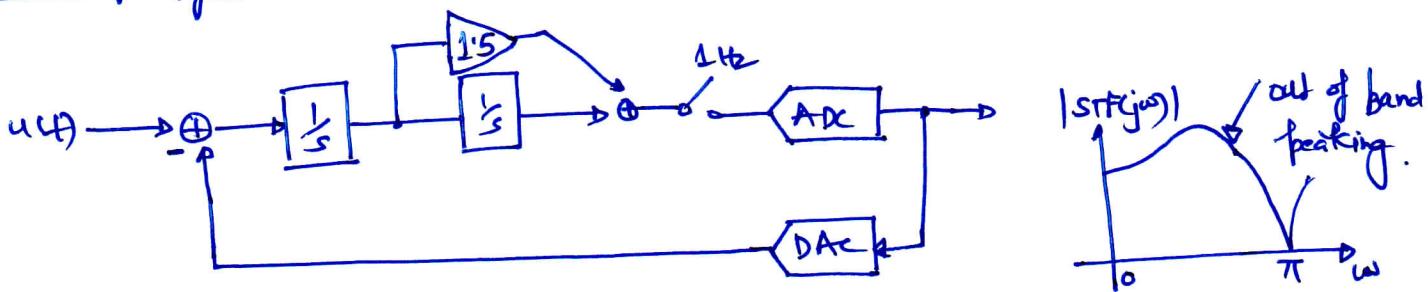
which have the solution $\{k_1, k_2\} = \{1.5, 1\}$

$$\Rightarrow L(s) = \frac{1.5}{s} + \frac{1}{s^2} = \frac{1.5s + 1}{s^2}$$

- which is same as the solⁿ from the table based method.
- This method is called the numerical fitting method

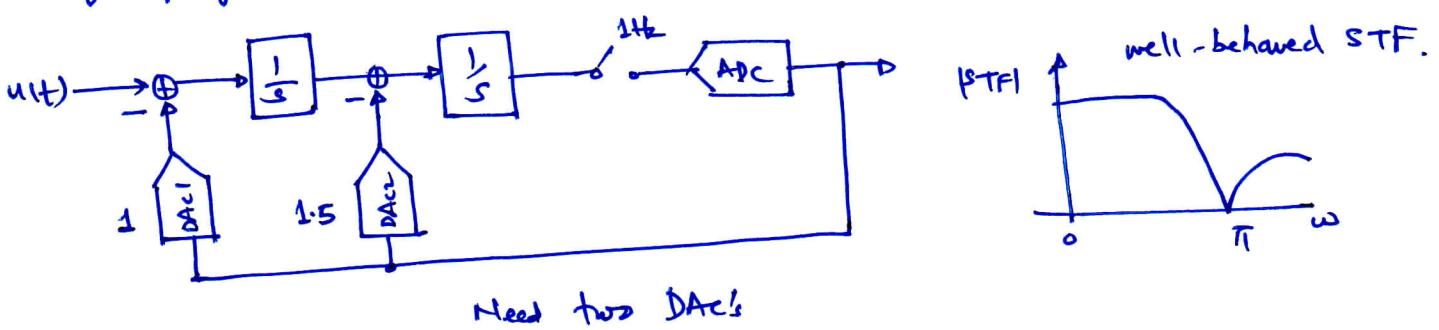
↳ Least-square fit the CT-ΔΣ loop response to that of the DT-ΔΣ by finding appropriate coefficients $\{k_1, k_2, \dots\}$

CIFF topology :



CIFB topology :

Many topologies are possible :



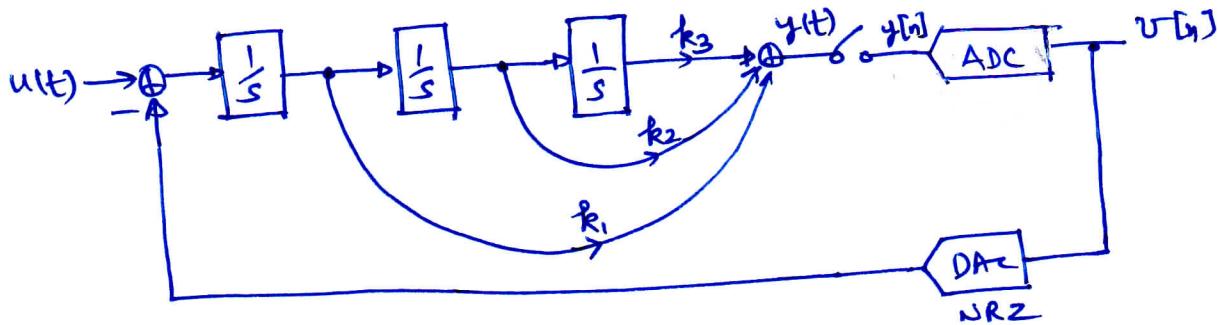
* NTFs of both the loops are the same but the STFs are different.

→ High frequency rejection of this 'simple' FF topology is worse than the FB case.

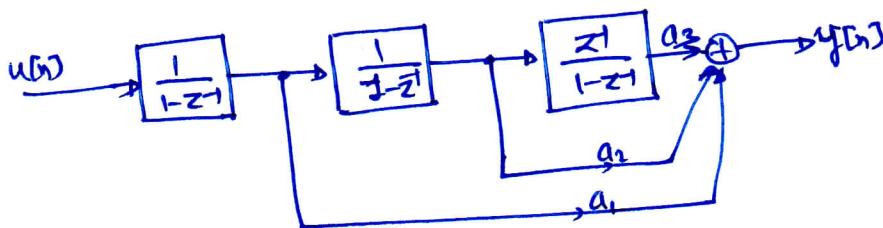
3rd order Butterworth NTF: Numerical fitting Method:

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- * All NTF zeros at $z=1$.
- * Start with a CT loop-filter implementation



- . Find a corresponding DT, ^{loop-} filter of this form: (CRFF here)



- . Find $L(z)$ and expand into partial fractions

$$= \frac{1}{(1-z^{-1})} + \frac{(.)}{(1-z^{-1})^2} + \frac{(.)}{(1-z^{-1})^3}$$

loop impulse response $l[n] = \text{DAC pulse shape passing through the loop filter, and then sampled at } f_s \text{ rate.}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s} \\ c_1 & \frac{1}{s^2} \\ & c_2 & \frac{1}{s^3} \\ & & c_3 & \left[\begin{array}{c} R_1 \\ R_2 \\ R_3 \end{array} \right] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z^{-1} \\ l_0 \\ l_1 \\ l_2 \\ \vdots \\ l \end{bmatrix} \quad L(z) \leftarrow \frac{1}{1+L(z)} = \text{NTF}(z)$$

$c_1 \Rightarrow \text{DAC pulse through } \frac{1}{s} \text{ and then sampled}$
 $c_2 \Rightarrow " " " \frac{1}{s^2} " " "$
 $c_3 \Rightarrow " " " \frac{1}{s^3} " " "$

- many equations \Rightarrow unique solution when using ideal integrators, and when the mapping is possible
- when using non-ideal components do a matrix 'least-square fit' to obtain $\{k_1, k_2, k_3\}$

$$\begin{aligned} C k &= l \\ \Rightarrow (C^T C) k &= C^T l \\ \Rightarrow \boxed{k^* = (C^T C)^{-1} (C^T l)} \end{aligned}$$

- suitably choose the length of impulse response used for fitting.