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(Lecture-1)

**Design of Infinite Impulse Response Digital Filters:
Introduction to Filters**

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There are several techniques available for the design of digital filters having an infinite duration unit impulse response. The design of an IIR filter involves design of a digital filter in the analog domain and transforming the design into the digital domain.

The system function describing an analog filter may be written as

$$H_a(S) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^M b_k s^k}{\sum_{k=0}^N a_k s^k} \text{-----}(1)$$

Where a_k and b_k are the filter coefficients.

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The impulse response of these filter coefficients is related to $H_a(s)$ by the Laplace transform.

$$H_a(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t) e^{-st} dt \text{ -----(2)}$$

The analog filter having the rational system function $H(s)$ given in Eq. (1) can also be described by the linear constant-coefficient differential equation

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k \frac{d^k y(t)}{dt^k} = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \frac{d^k x(t)}{dt^k} \text{ -----(3)}$$

Where $x(t)$ is the input signal and $y(t)$ is the output of the filter. The above three equivalent characterisation of an analog filter leads to three alternative methods for

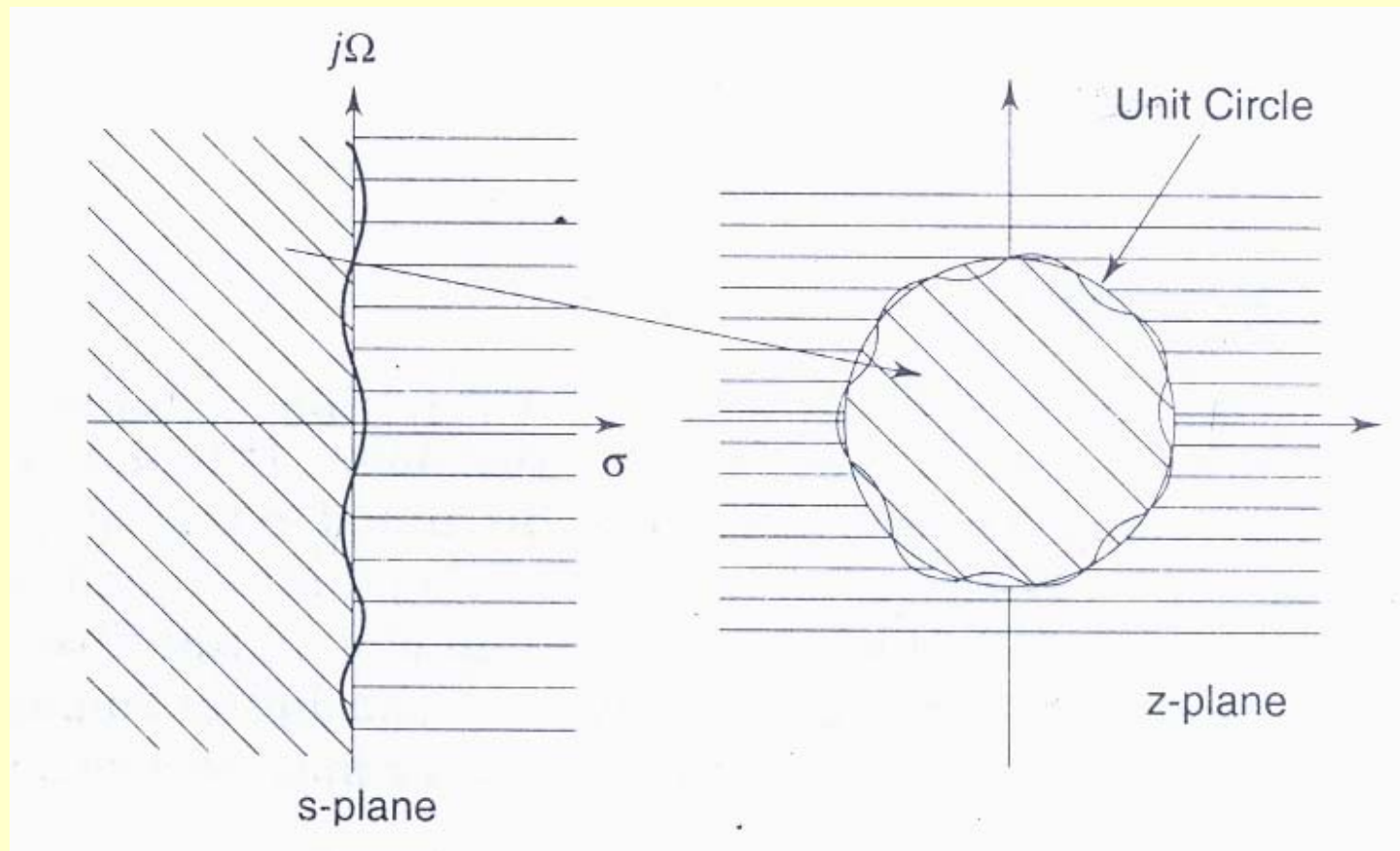
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transforming the filter into the digital domain. The system function $H(s)$ is stable if all its poles lie in the left-half of the s -plane.

If the conversion techniques are to be effective then the technique should possess the following properties:-

1. The $j\omega$ axis in the s -plane should map onto the unit circle in the z -plane. This gives a direct relationship between the two frequency variables in the two domains.
2. The left-half plane of the s -plane should map into the inside of the unit circle in the z -plane to convert a stable analog filter into a stable digital filter.

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The physically realizable and stable IIR filter cannot have a linear phase.

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For a filter to have a linear phase, the condition is $h(n) = h(M-1-n)$ and the filter would have a mirror image pole outside the unit circle for every pole inside the unit circle. This results in an unstable filter. As a result, a causal and stable IIR filter cannot have a linear phase. In the design of IIR filters, only the desired magnitude response is specified and the phase response that is obtained from the design methodology is accepted.