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It may be shown¹ that an equi-ripple approximation to the ideal low-pass magnitude characteristic (Fig. 1) may be written in the forms

$$F(\omega^2) = \frac{K_1 Q(\omega^2)}{R(\omega^2)} = \frac{K_1 \prod_{i=1}^r (\omega^2 + z_i^2)}{\prod_{i=1}^t (\omega^2 + p_i^2)} \quad r < t \quad (1)$$

$$= \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 G_1(\omega^2) \quad (2)$$

or

$$= \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon_3 G_2(\omega^2)} \quad (3)$$

where $G_1(\omega^2)$ and $G_2(\omega^2)$ are Tchebycheff Rational Functions (TRF) of the form

$$G(\omega^2) = \frac{K_2 N(\omega^2)}{D(\omega^2)} = \frac{K_2 \prod_{i=1}^{m+n} (\omega^2 + \omega_i'^2)}{\prod_{i=1}^m (\omega^2 + \omega_i''^2)} \quad (4)$$

$$= \cos \left(2n \cos^{-1} \omega - \sum_{i=1}^m 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{c_i \omega}{\sqrt{1-\omega^2}} \right) \quad (5)$$

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where $K_2 = 2n$ ($n \geq 1$). $G(\omega^2)$ then has m finite poles at $\omega_i^{-2} = (1/c_i^2 - 1)$ and n poles at infinity; thus $n_1 = 0$ for $G_1(\omega)$ but $n_2 \geq 1$ for $G_2(\omega)$. The choice of Eqs. 2 or 3 depends on whether the zeros or poles of $|T(j\omega)|^2$ are chosen in advance. We now exploit Eqs. 2 and 3 to derive an interesting relation which allows the selection of certain poles and zeros in advance while maintaining the Tchebycheff characteristic.

Differentiating $G(\omega^2)$ it may readily be shown that

$$\left(\frac{dG}{d\omega}\right)^2 - k^2 \frac{(1-G^2)P^2(\omega^2)}{(1-\omega^2)D^2(\omega^2)} = 0 \quad (6)$$

where (1) $D(\omega^2)$ is given in Eq. 4, (2) $P(\omega^2)$ is a polynomial of degree $2p$ with unity leading coefficient and (3) $k = 2n$ if $n \geq 1$. We now can write explicitly

$$\left(\frac{dG_1}{d\omega}\right)^2 - k^2 \frac{(1-G_1^2)P_1^2(\omega^2)}{(1-\omega^2) \prod_1^t (\omega^2 + p_i^2)^2} = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$\left(\frac{dG_2}{d\omega}\right)^2 - (2n_2)^2 \frac{(1-G_2^2)P_2^2(\omega^2)}{(1-\omega^2) \prod_1^r (\omega^2 + z_i^2)^2} = 0 \quad (8)$$

If we express $G_1(\omega^2)$ and $G_2(\omega^2)$ in terms of $F(\omega^2)$, Eqs. 7 and 8 become

$$\left(\frac{dF}{d\omega}\right)^2 - \frac{k^2}{1-\epsilon_3^2} \frac{[\epsilon_3^2 F^2 - (1-F)^2] P_1^2(\omega^2)}{(1-\omega^2) \prod_1^t (\omega^2 + p_i^2)^2} = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\left(\frac{dF}{d\omega}\right)^2 - (2n_2)^2 \frac{F^2 [\epsilon_3^2 F^2 - (1-F)^2] P_2^2(\omega^2)}{(1-\omega^2) \prod_1^r (\omega^2 + z_i^2)^2} = 0. \quad (10)$$

From Eq. 1, we can also write Eq. 10 in the form [since $K_1 = (1/2\epsilon_3 n_2)$]

$$\left(\frac{dF}{d\omega}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_3^2} \frac{[\epsilon_3^2 F^2 - (1-F)^2] P_2^2(\omega^2)}{(1-\omega^2) \prod_1^t (\omega^2 + p_i^2)^2} = 0. \quad (11)$$

Comparing Eqs. 9 and 11 we conclude

$$k = \left(1 - \epsilon_3^2\right)^{1/2} / \epsilon_3 \quad (12)$$

$$P_1(\omega^2) = P_2(\omega^2). \quad (13)$$

Eqs. 12 and 13 imply certain relationships between the zeros and poles of $F(\omega^2)$. For example, since both $G_1(\omega^2)$ and $G_2(\omega^2)$ are TRF, they may be written in the form of Eq. 5 with $n_1 = 0$ and $n_2 \geq 1$ respectively. Differentiating according to Eq. 6 we find respectively

$$\frac{\sqrt{1 - \epsilon_3^2}}{\epsilon_3} \frac{P_1(\omega^2)}{R(\omega^2)} = \sqrt{1 - \omega^2} \frac{d}{d\omega} \sum_1^t \tan^{-1} \frac{c_i \omega}{\sqrt{1 - \omega^2}} \quad (14)$$

$$= \sum_1^t \frac{c_i}{c_i^2 - 1} \left[\frac{1}{\omega^2 + (1/c_i^2 - 1)} \right] \quad (15)$$

and

$$2n_2 \frac{P_1(\omega^2)}{Q(\omega^2)} = \sum_1^r \frac{c_i'}{c_i'^2 - 1} \left[\frac{1}{\omega^2 + (1/c_i'^2 - 1)} \right] - 2n_2 \quad (16)$$

We can then solve for $P_1(\omega^2)$ in each equation and equate the respective coefficients. There result t nonlinear equations in $r + t$ unknowns so that a Newton-Raphson or similar iterative solution can be attempted. A solution is guaranteed if all r c_i' are known; a unique solution is guaranteed if all t c_i are known (Eqs. 2 and 3). If a combination of c_i and c_i' are known, a solution may not exist; however, the existence of a solution of the coefficient equations is a necessary and sufficient condition for $F(\omega^2)$ to be equi-ripple when certain of its poles and zeros are known.

Another result of interest may be derived from Eqs. 12 and 13. For the special case of $r = 0$ (the all-pole equi-ripple function), we have $p = r = 0$ (from Eq. 16). Eq. 7 then becomes

$$\left(\frac{dG_1}{d\omega} \right)^2 - \frac{1 - \epsilon_3^2}{\epsilon_3^2} \frac{F^2 (1 - G_1^2)}{1 - \omega^2} = 0 \quad (17)$$

or

$$\frac{\epsilon_3}{\sqrt{1 - \epsilon_3^2}} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \omega^2}}{\sqrt{1 - G_1^2}} \frac{dG_1}{d\omega} = F. \quad (18)$$

Since $n_1 = 0$, Eqs. 5 and 18 combine to yield

$$\frac{\epsilon_3}{\sqrt{1 - \epsilon_3^2}} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \omega^2}}{\sqrt{1 - G_1^2}} \frac{d}{d\omega} \left(2 \sum_1^t \tan^{-1} \frac{c_i \omega}{\sqrt{1 - \omega^2}} \right) = F \quad (19)$$

or

$$\frac{2\epsilon_3}{\sqrt{1 - \epsilon_3^2}} \sum_1^t \frac{c_i}{n_2 [(c_i^2 - 1)\omega^2 + 1]} = \sum_1^t \frac{k_i}{\omega^2 + p_i^2} \quad (20)$$

so that

$$k_i = \left(\frac{c_i}{c_i^2 - 1} \right) \left(\frac{2\epsilon_3}{\sqrt{1 - \epsilon_3^2}} \right) \quad (21)$$

$$= \frac{2\epsilon_3 p_i \sqrt{1 + p_i^2}}{\sqrt{1 - \epsilon_3^2}} \quad (22)$$

Thus we have a simple relation between the residues at the Tchebycheff poles (in ω^2) and the poles themselves. A curious relationship between the Tchebycheff poles and the poles of the equi-ripple group delay function may be derived from the above. It has been shown³ that

$$\text{Res}_{\omega^2 = -\omega_i^2} [G(\omega^2)] = \frac{c_i^2}{(c_i^2 - 1)^2} \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^t \frac{c_k + c_i}{c_k - c_i} \quad (23)$$

when $n = 0$ in Eq. 5. From Eq. 2, we have

$$k_i = \text{Res}_{\omega^2 = -p_i^2} [F(\omega^2)] = \frac{\epsilon_3}{1 - \epsilon_3^2} \text{Res}_{\omega^2 = -p_i^2} [G_1(\omega^2)] \quad (24)$$

requiring from Eq. 21,

$$1 - \frac{2\sqrt{1 - \epsilon_3^2} c_i}{(c_i^2 - 1)} \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^t \frac{c_k + c_i}{c_k - c_i} = 0 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, t. \quad (25)$$

These equations which must be satisfied by the all-pole equi-ripple magnitude function are similar to the Eq. 3

$$1 + \frac{\epsilon c_i^2}{(c_i^2 - 1)^{3/2}} \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^t \frac{(c_k + c_i)}{(c_k - c_i)} = 0 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, t \quad (26)$$

which must be satisfied by the all-pole equi-ripple delay function. However, no explanation has been found for the ease with which the former problem is solved but not the latter.

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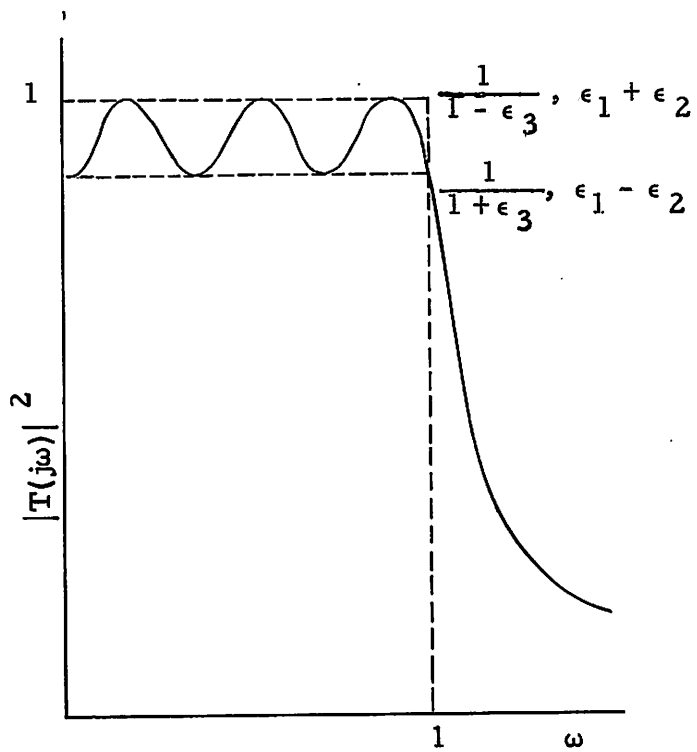


Fig. 1. Definition of tolerances.