

**ENG 100 Lab #3**  
Passive Second-order Filter Circuits  
Band-Pass Filter

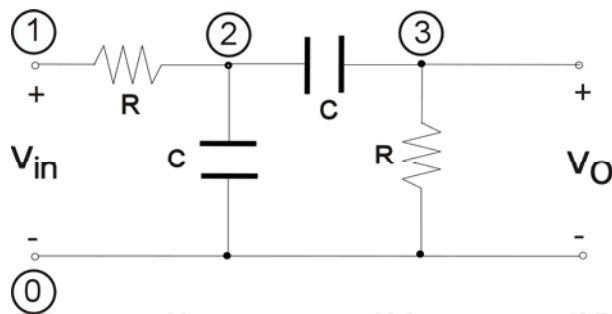
A band-pass filter is defined as one which allows signals to pass through, relatively unattenuated in magnitude, only within a range of frequencies from  $\omega_1$  to  $\omega_2$ . Signals greater than  $\omega_2$  or less than  $\omega_1$  are attenuated in magnitude, hence the idea that the circuit is a “filter”. The bandwidth of the band-pass filter is defined as  $\omega_2 - \omega_1$ . The frequencies  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  correspond to the frequencies where the transfer function amplitude is 0.707 times the peak value of the transfer function amplitude. The general form of the transfer function for a second-order band-pass filter can be written as:

$$H(s) = \frac{V_O(s)}{V_I(s)} = \frac{Ks}{s^2 + \left(\frac{\omega_o}{Q}\right)s + \omega_o^2}$$

where Q is the “quality factor” of the circuit and K is a constant.

**Lab Work:**

The circuit shown below is a passive RC band-pass filter, consisting of a low-pass section in series with a high-pass section. It is the same circuit as in the Prelab.



You will measure the amplitude and phase response of this filter.

## Procedure:

1. Using your prototype board, construct the RC bandpass circuit. Use  $R = 1500 \Omega$  and  $C = 0.01 \mu\text{F}$ .
2. Drive the input of your circuit with the function generator, and also connect the input to channel 1 on the oscilloscope (this will be your reference).
3. Set the function generator to generate a sinusoid and display it on channel 1 of the oscilloscope. Adjust the frequency to 1 kHz, and the amplitude to 1 V<sub>pp</sub>.
4. To measure the output amplitude, connect the output voltage of the circuit to channel 2 of the oscilloscope.
5. To measure phase, adjust the oscilloscope to display both channel 1 and channel 2 simultaneously
6. To measure phase, measure the time delay between the input signal and output signal. From the time delay, you can calculate:  $\text{Phase} = -360^\circ t_d/T$ , where T is the period of the sinusoid and  $t_d$  is the time delay. The time delay  $t_d$  can be measured as the time from a positively-sloped zero crossing of the input to the nearest positive-sloped zero crossing of the output. (Note:  $t_d$  can be positive or negative).
7. Repeat above procedure for all the frequencies in the table in the Prelab. Fill in the table with your measured data. Try to keep the input amplitude roughly at 1 V<sub>pp</sub> for all input frequencies. Measure the input amplitude at each frequency, as it may not be exactly 1 V<sub>pp</sub> always.
8. Plot your measured magnitude (or amplitude) response |H| (in dB) and phase response (in degrees) versus frequency (in Hz on a log scale). (This can be done after the lab period ends). Put each measured plot on the same graph as the corresponding calculated plot.
9. To see a time-domain response, adjust the function generator to generate a square wave with a frequency of 2 kHz with peak value of 1V. Display the square-wave input and the output of your circuit using the scope. Draw a plot of the input and output waveforms for one period.