Circuit Synthesis of Multiport Networks from Passive Poles and Residues

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Interconnect Structures



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Model-Order Reduction



Recursive Convolution

 $\widetilde{Y}(t) \mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{i}(t)$

• **Strategy**: Use reduced order model to minimize computation time.

 $\tilde{Y}(\omega)$ \Box $Y(\omega)$

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Model-Order Reduction



- **Objective**: Incorporate frequency dependence into time-domain simulator
- Approaches: 1) Direct integration of code into SPICE 2) Generation of SPICE-compatible netlist

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MOR via Vector Fitting



 Rational function approximation:

 $f(s) \approx \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{c_n}{s-a_n} + d + sh$

Introduce an unknown function σ(s) that satisfies:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma(s)f(s) \\ \sigma(s) \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{c_n}{s - \tilde{a}_n} + d + sh \\ \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\tilde{c}_n}{s - \tilde{a}_n} + 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Poles of f(s)
 = zeros of σ(s):

$$f(s) \approx \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{c_n}{s - \tilde{a}_n} + d + sh}{\sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\tilde{c}_n}{s - \tilde{a}_n} + 1} = \frac{\prod_{n=1}^{N+1} (s - z_n)}{\prod_{n=1}^{N} (s - \tilde{z}_n)}$$

• Flip unstable poles into the left half plane.



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Passivity Enforcement

Hamiltonian matrix:



• State-space form:

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 $\dot{\boldsymbol{x}} = \boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{u}$ $\boldsymbol{y} = \boldsymbol{C}\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{u}$

 $\boldsymbol{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{A} + \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{K}\boldsymbol{D}^{\mathsf{T}}\boldsymbol{C} & \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{K}\boldsymbol{B}^{\mathsf{T}} \\ -\boldsymbol{C}^{\mathsf{T}}\boldsymbol{L}\boldsymbol{C} & -\boldsymbol{A}^{\mathsf{T}} - \boldsymbol{C}^{\mathsf{T}}\boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{K}\boldsymbol{B}^{\mathsf{T}} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\boldsymbol{K} = \left(\boldsymbol{I} - \boldsymbol{D}^{T}\boldsymbol{D}\right)^{-1} \quad \boldsymbol{L} = \left(\boldsymbol{I} - \boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{D}^{T}\right)^{-1}$$

- Passive if *M* has no imaginary eigenvalues.
 - Sweep: $eig(I - S(j\omega)^{H}S(j\omega))$



- Quadratic programming:
 - Minimize (change in response) subject to (passivity compensation).

 $\min(vec(\Delta C)^{\mathsf{T}}\mathsf{H} vec(\Delta C)) \text{ subject to } \Delta \lambda = G \cdot vec(\Delta C).$

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SPICE Netlist Synthesis

 Goal is to generate (using pole/residue information) a circuit netlist that will exhibit the same (frequency-dependent) behavior as that of the S-parameters of connector under study



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Equivalent-Circuit Extraction

Macromodel is curve-fit to take the form

$$S(s) = d + \sum_{k=1}^{L} \frac{r_k}{s - p_k}$$

Need to find equivalent circuit associated with

- Constant term *d*
- Real Poles
- Complex Poles

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Equivalent-Circuit Extraction

Constant Term

 $R = Y_o\left(\frac{1-d}{1+d}\right)$



Real Poles



 $R_2 = \frac{-1}{bC}$



 $C = -\frac{(b-a)}{b^2 Z}$

 $a = p_k + r_k$, and $b = p_k - r_k$

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Realization – Complex Poles

There are several circuit topologies that will work



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Netlist from Poles & residues

*Poll 2-port S-parameter circuit model * 14 -pole approximation

.subckt Poll 42000 56000 vsens42001 42000 42001 0.0 vsens56001 56000 56001 0.0

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*subcircuit for s[1][1]
*complex residue-pole pairs for S[1][1] at k= 1 -> 1st pole: -4.8961e+00 3.6506e+01 residue: 2.1006e-01 -2.8971e-01
*
                          -> 2nd pole: -4.8961e+00 -3.6506e+01 residue: 2.1006e-01 2.8971e-01
*circuit type = 9
elc1 104200101.0
hc2 2 1 vsens42001 50.0
rtersc3 2 3 50.0
vp4 3 4 0.0
r1cd5 4 0 5.17406e+01
l1cd5 4 5 -1.25500e-08
r2cd6 5 6-1.30103e+03
c1cd6 6 0-7.19920e-15
r3cd6 4 6 1.48633e+03
*complex residue-pole pairs for S[1][1] at k= 2 -> 1st pole: -1.3039e+00 2.7679e+01 residue: -4.3856e-01 -1.9087e+00
*
                          -> 2nd pole: -1.3039e+00 -2.7679e+01 residue: -4.3856e-01 1.9087e+00
rtersc9 8 9 50.0
gs196 0 56001 196 0 0.020
rnort42001 42001 0 5.00000e+01
rnort56001 56001 0 5.00000e+01
.ends Poll
*main circuit
rgen 1 2 50.0
x1 2 3 Poll
vin 1 0 pulse (0 1 0.20000ns 0.10000ns 0.10000ns 2.00000ns 6.00000ns)
rport2 3 0 50000.0000000
.tran 0.00039ns 7.00000ns
.end
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4-Port Network



SPICE simulation Using generated netlist (Method 2)



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Model-Order Reduction

Start with S parameters from field solver
 Use vector fitting to get poles & residues
 Perform assessment via Hamiltonian
 Enforcement: Residue Perturbation Method
 Simulation: Recursive convolution > Fast



Number of Ports	Order	CPU-Time
4	20	1.7 secs
6	32	3.69 secs
10	34	8.84 secs
20	34	33 secs
40	50	142 secs
80	12	255 secs

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Review of some classic synthesis approaches for S matrix in pole-residue form*

- 1. (PI network for Y matrix)
- 2. PI network for S by Y + VCVS + CCVS
- 3. State-space S
- 4. State-space S-to-Y then PI
- 5. Pole-residue S-as-Y
- 6. Direct pole-residue specification

$$S_{ij} = d^{(ij)} + \sum_{k=1}^{N} \frac{r_k^{(ij)}}{s - p_k^{(ij)}} = d^{(ij)} + \sum_{k=1}^{N} S_{ij,k}$$

* Chiu-Chih Chou, José E. Schutt-Ainé, "Equivalent Circuit Synthesis of Multiport S Parameters in Pole–Residue Form", *IEEE Transactions on Components, Packaging and Manufacturing Technology,* Volume 11, Issue: 11, pp. 1971-1979, 2021, November 2021

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Model 1. PI network for Y matrix (1/2)

$$Y_{ij} = d^{(ij)} + \sum_{k=1}^{N} \frac{r_k^{(ij)}}{s - p_k^{(ij)}}$$

Pole-residue Y matrix → PI model (direct correspondence)



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Model 1. PI network for Y matrix (2/2) (no controlled sources, but have negative elements)

A pair of complex Constant A real pole *N* pole-residue pairs conjugate poles (RLCR) $Y = d \qquad Y = \frac{r}{s-p} \qquad Y = \frac{r}{s-p} + \frac{r^*}{s-p^*}$ $Y = \sum_{k=1}^{n} Y_k$ $\begin{array}{c} \bigcap_{r=1}^{n} \\ \bigcap_{r=1}^{n} \\ \prod_{r=1}^{n} \\ \prod_{r=1}^$ $\cdots Y_N$

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Model 2. PI network for S by Y + VCVS + CCVS



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Model 3. State-space S (1/2) (a common cross-platform topology)



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Model 3. State-space S (2/2)



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Model 4. State-space S to Y then PI (no controlled sources needed)

State-space for S matrix

$$A = \underset{i=1...P}{diag} p_k^{(ij)}$$

$$i=1...P$$

$$k=1...N$$

$$B_{nj} = 1_{\{(j-1)NP < n \le jNP\}}$$

$$C_{in} = r_k^{(ij)} \cdot 1_{\{n = (j-1)NP + (i-1)N + k\}}$$

$$D_{ij} = d^{(ij)}$$
Pole-residue for Y matrix

$$Y_{ij} = d^{(ij)} + \sum_{k=1}^{N} \frac{r_k^{(ij)}}{s - p_k^{(ij)}}$$
Problem: $(I + D)$ may be singular!
European noise source of Y matrix

$$F_{ii} = \sum_{j=1}^{P} Y_{ij}$$
Problem: $(I + D)$ may be singular!

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Model 5. Pole-residue S-as-Y (minimized for SISO pole)



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Model 6. Direct pole-residue specification (permit recursive convolution)

$$S_{ij} = d^{(ij)} + \sum_{k=1}^{N} \frac{r_k^{(ij)}}{s - p_k^{(ij)}}$$

Incident wave calculator for each port







Gs	_1_1	gno	0_£	p	_1	FOSTER	inc_1	0	-5.69	9243	4755	414	126	e-03		0
+	(-2	2.4391	1504	431	856	222e+04,	0) /	(-4	.9604	4760-	4161	921	0e+)7,	0)
+	((5.160	731	778	543	656e+07,	0)/	(-1	.7141	1703	9466	460	3e+0)9,	0)
+	(-[.894	7884	422	520	538e+07,	5.662	22937	66458	3602	e+07)	/ (-1.	67	218
+	(8	8.7139	9663	348	296	802e+07,	-8.139	96221	29292	2254	e+07)	/ (-1.	84	733
+	(2	2.6171	1734	411	981	527e+08,	1.358	34644	34932	2994	e+08)	/ (-2.	17	708
+	([.6335	5431	792	451	439e+07,	6.271	15734	8818	7740	e+08)	/ (-2.	57	889
+	(-]	7.9254	1532	224	991'	798e+08,	-3.731	14574	7944	7733	e+07)	/ (-2.	81	115
+	(-[.3934	1169	945	756	004e+08,	-3.078	83980	88322	2048	e+08)	/ (-2.	26	115
+	(3	3.6122	283(069	470	346e+06,	-4.993	39084	14380	6742	e+06)	/ (-1.	35	763
+	(-1	.359	7509	933	146	977e+07,	-2.875	57526	48140	6065	e+08)	/ (-2.	39	584

Comparison

	Model 2	Model 3	Model 4	Model 5	Model 6	
	PI network for S by Y + VCVS+CCVS	State- space S	State- space S to Y	Pole- residue S- as-Y	Direct pole- residue specification	
Controlled sources	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
Negative RLC	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	
Recursive convolution	No	No	No	No	Yes	
Cross platform	Yes*	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	No	
		†	↑		1	

* if negative RLC permitted

Offered by many commercial EDA tools.

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Example: macromodel of 20 ports and 110 MIMO poles (10 coupled microstrips)



Total simulation time (s)

	State-space S (model 3)	PI network (model 2)	Foster (model 6)	
EDA Tool A	338	815	190	
EDA Tool B	295	383	94	
Ngspice	200	788		egrity

Conclusion

- Many different ways to synthesize equivalent circuits for S-parameters in pole-residue form
- Considerations for choosing circuit topology
 - Want recursive convolution?
 - Want cross platform exchangeability?
 - Controlled source and negative RLC acceptable?
 - SISO or MIMO pole-residue model?