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Do not submit this homework. This will be part of the midterm exam on Monday (Nov 01, 2021).

Topics covered in this week:

- Loss less Ladder filters
 - Analysing a given ladder circuit (finding the transfer function from a given ladder circuit).
 - Synthesising the circuit (finding the ladder circuit for a given transfer function).
 - Given $D(s)$ the denominator polynomial (coming from Butterworth or Chebyshev expressions)
 - Find the reflection co-efficient: $\rho(s) = \frac{s^n}{D(s)}$
 - Find the input impedance: $Z_{in} = \left[\frac{1-\rho(s)}{1+\rho(s)} \right]^{\pm 1}$
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Q1. Design a 5th order Butterworth filter using LC ladder filter topology.

Solution:

The denominator polynomial for a 5th order Butterworth filter:

$$\begin{aligned}
 D(s) &= (s + 1)(s^2 + 2 \cos 36 + 1)(s^2 + 2 \cos 72 + 1) \\
 &= s^5 + (2 \cos 36 + 2 \cos 72 + 1)s^4 + (4 \cos 36 \cos 72 + 2 \cos 36 + 2 \cos 72 + 2)s^3 \\
 &\quad + (4 \cos 36 \cos 72 + 2 \cos 36 + 2 \cos 72 + 2)s^2 + (2 \cos 36 + 2 \cos 72 + 1)s + 1 \\
 &= s^5 + 3.2361s^4 + 5.2361s^3 + 5.2361s^2 + 3.2361s + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Input impedance of the ladder filter:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Z_{in} &= \frac{3.2361s^4 + 5.2361s^3 + 5.2361s^2 + 3.2361s + 1}{2s^5 + 3.2361s^4 + 5.2361s^3 + 5.2361s^2 + 3.2361s + 1} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\frac{2s^5 + 3.2361s^4 + 5.2361s^3 + 5.2361s^2 + 3.2361s + 1}{3.2361s^4 + 5.2361s^3 + 5.2361s^2 + 3.2361s + 1}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\frac{2s^3 + 3.2361s^2 + 2.618s + 1}{0.618s + \frac{3.2361s^4 + 5.2361s^3 + 5.2361s^2 + 3.2361s + 1}{2s^3 + 3.2361s^2 + 2.618s + 1}}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\frac{0.618s + \frac{1}{3.2361s^4 + 5.2361s^3 + 5.2361s^2 + 3.2361s + 1}}{2s^3 + 3.2361s^2 + 2.618s + 1}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\frac{0.618s + \frac{1}{s^2 + 1.618s + 1}}{1.618s + \frac{2s^3 + 3.2361s^2 + 2.618s + 1}{2s^3 + 3.2361s^2 + 2.618s + 1}}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{0.618s + \frac{1}{1.618s + \frac{1}{2s^3 + 3.2361s^2 + 2.618s + 1}}} = \frac{1}{0.618s + \frac{1}{1.618s + \frac{1}{2s + \frac{0.618s + 1}{s^2 + 1.618s + 1}}}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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&= \frac{1}{0.618s + \frac{1}{1.618s + \frac{1}{2s + \frac{1}{\frac{s^2 + 1.618s + 1}{0.618s + 1}}}}} = \frac{1}{0.618s + \frac{1}{1.618s + \frac{1}{2s + \frac{1}{1.618s + \frac{1}{0.618s + 1}}}}} \\
&= \frac{1}{0.618s + \frac{1}{1.618s + \frac{1}{2s + \frac{1}{1.618s + \frac{1}{0.618s + 1}}}}}
\end{aligned}$$

This input impedance can be realized by the following LC ladder circuit:

