

Interesting problem on old Exam 1's
involving Notch Filters and All-Pass Filters

- Two LTI systems in parallel (single-pole / single-zero)

$$H_1(z) = \frac{z - \frac{1}{p^*}}{z - p} \Rightarrow \text{all-pass} \Rightarrow |H(\omega)| = \frac{1}{|p|} \quad \forall \omega$$

$$H_2(z) = \frac{z + \frac{1}{p^*}}{z + p} \Rightarrow \text{all-pass} \Rightarrow |H(\omega)| = \frac{1}{|p|} \quad \forall \omega$$

- BUT the parallel combination is a Notch Filter!

$$H(z) = H_1(z) + H_2(z) \Rightarrow \text{place over common denominator}$$

$$= \frac{(z - \frac{1}{p^*})(z + p) + (z - p)(z + \frac{1}{p^*})}{(z - p)(z + p)}$$

• Examine/Simplify Numerator:

$$z^2 + pz - \frac{1}{p^*} z - \frac{p}{p^*} + z^2 - pz + \frac{1}{p^*} z - \frac{p}{p^*}$$

$$= 2 \left(z^2 - \frac{p}{p^*} \right) = 2 \left(z - \sqrt{\frac{p}{p^*}} \right) \left(z + \sqrt{\frac{p}{p^*}} \right)$$

• Note: $\frac{p}{p^*}$ is on unit circle $\Rightarrow p = |p| e^{j\angle p}$

$$\sqrt{\frac{p}{p^*}} = e^{j\angle p} \quad -\sqrt{\frac{p}{p^*}} = e^{j(\pi + \angle p)}$$

• Thus: parallel combination has two zeroes on the unit circle and thus notches out the frequencies $\angle p$ and $\pi + \angle p$

(or $\angle p - \pi$)

depending on which is in

$$-\pi < \omega < \pi$$