FilterWorkBench

FilterWorkBench is designed to calculate high- and low-pass practical active filters (Bessel, Butterworth, and Chebyshev) built according to the Sallen-Key scheme, with the gain factor of 1. The calculated frequencies range from **0.01 Hz** to **999.999 Hz**. The application supports calculations of filters from order N1 to order N8.

The Chebyshev filters can be calculated with five amplitude ripples of the frequency response in the passband:

PRN 0.1 dB	PRN 0.5 dB	PRN 1 dB	PRN 2 dB	PRN 3 dB
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The major difference of **FilterWorkBench** from similar programs is the ability to calculate all practically realizable combinations of capacitor and resistor values for a particular solution, the range of resistor values being set by the designer.

The primary function of FilterWorkBench is to assist practically with building a preliminarily selected type of an active filter.

The application is mainly targeted at an experienced developer, thus it provides calculated data neither for amplitude, phase characteristics, nor for group delay time.

Resistors:

The used values range from 1 kOhms to 9999 kOhms. Each calculated value is rounded to the nearest value from the selected standard set of resistors. The following sets are used:

E24 (5%)	E48 (2.5%)	E96 (1%)	E192 (0.5%)
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If necessary, the round-up can be canceled by selecting the following command:

Menu/Resistors/Compare-Off

Capacitors:

The values used start from 10pF. The upper value is restricted to the reasonable limit of 100uF. Values above the limit are also shown, but not in the standard format. For instance, 120uF will be presented as 1E2uF.

The following sets are:

E6 (20%)	E12 (10%)	E24 (5%)	E48 (2.5%)	E96 (1%)

Menu Description:

File. Print tab – unfortunately, does not work yet in the current version of the program.

Exit – standard exit from the program.

Filter. Butterworth

Bessel

Chebyshev / PRN=0.1

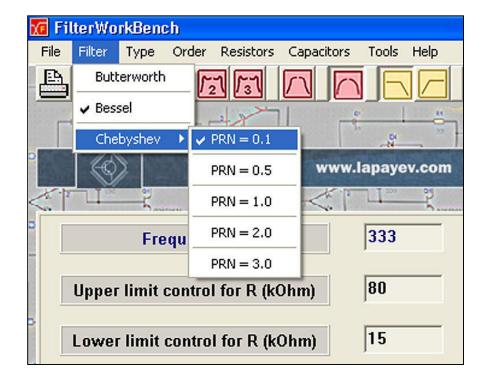
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PRN=1,0

PRN=2.0

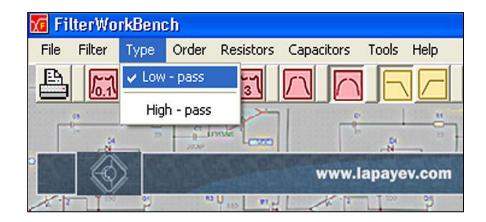
PRN=3.0

Filter type selection. In case of Chebyshev filter, select amplitude ripples of the frequency response in the passband.

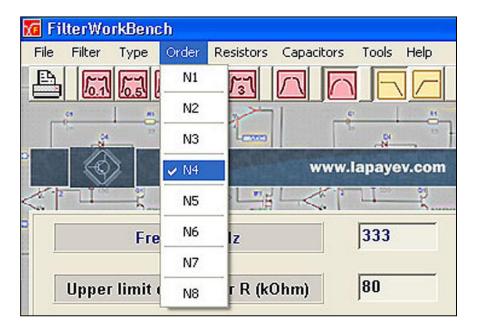


Type. Low - Pass High - Pass

Filter class selection. Low-Pass or High-Pass.



Order. Filter order selection. (N).



Resistors. E24

E48

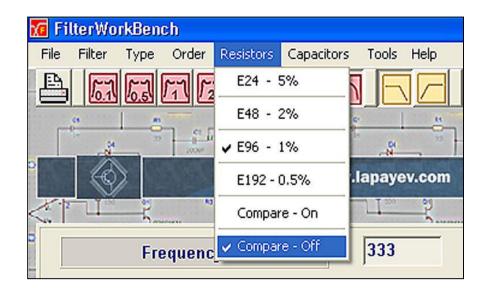
E96

E192

Selection of a resistor standard value set.

Compare – On Compare – Off

Turning on and off of the round-up option for the received output of each resistor to the nearest value in the selected set.



Capacitors E6

E12

E24

E48

E96

Selection of a commonly used capacitor standard value set.

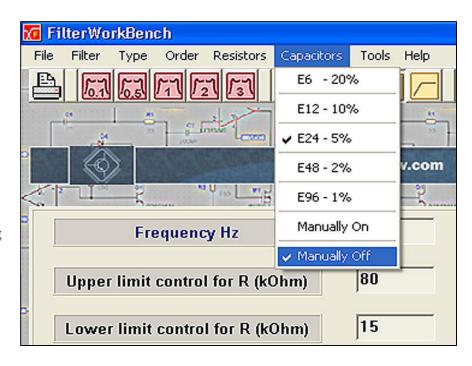
Manually On Manually Off

Selecting/deselecting of the manual value matching option for capacitors.

By default, capacitance values are picked from the selected standard set.

After the **Manually On** option is checked, there is a possibility to use non-standard values.

Go to Page 9 for more detail.



Tools. Tab to Up Tab Down

Switching to the upper or lower part of the output table.

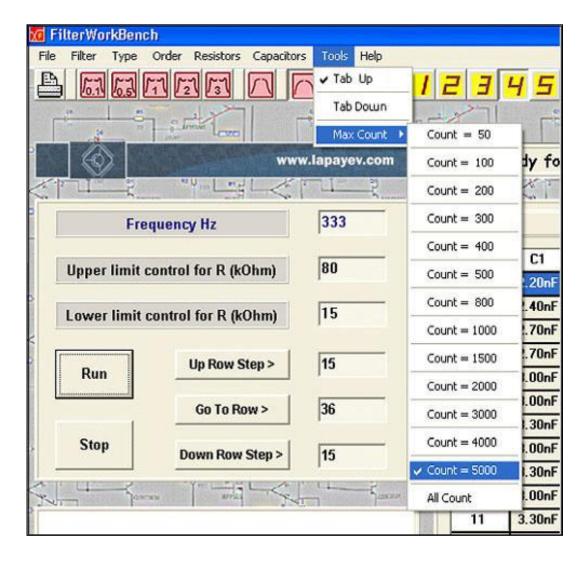
Count = 50 Count = 100

Count = 4000 Count = 5000

All Count

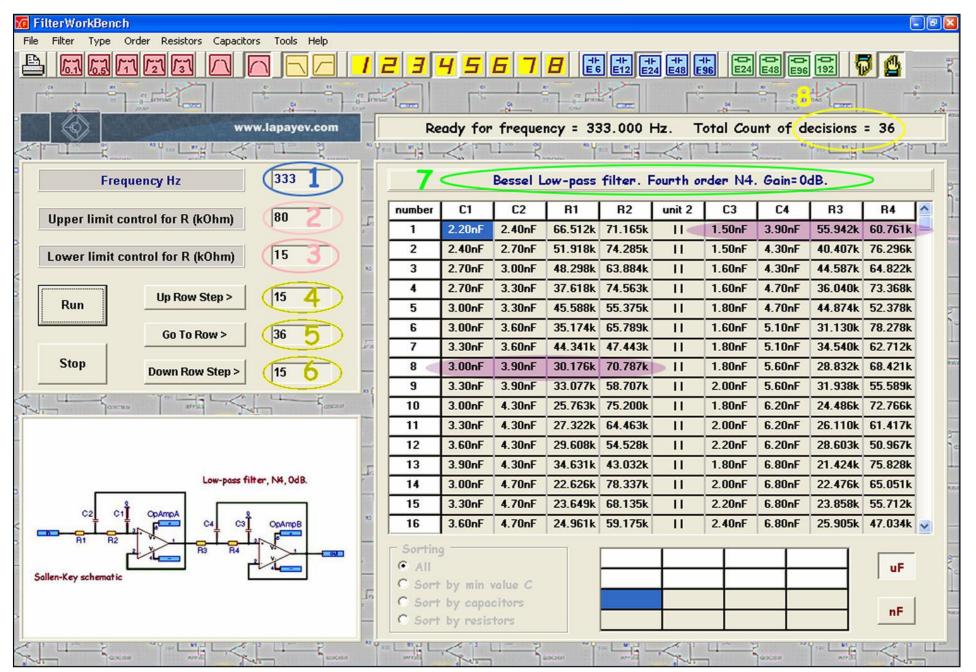
A permitted limit on the number of calculations.

By default, count = 5000.



Help. Standard help.

Getting Started with Filter Work Bench. Capacitors Manually Off – default mode.



Select a filter class, type, and order. When using Chebyshev filter, remember to specify the PRN amplitude ripple. Also, select the required standard resistor and capacitor sets. If necessary, cancel resistor round-up to the nearest value in the selected set:

Menu/Resistors/Compare-Off

Point 1. Enter Fc value (Hz).

Fc value is distinguishing for different types of filters.

Butterworth Filters. Frequency cutoff (F cutoff) is normalized in the usual way by level of -3dB in the attenuation band.

Chebyshev Filters. Frequency cutoff (F cutoff) is normalized by level of 0dB in the attenuation band, to be more exact, by the last, before the attenuation band, maximal local extremum of the amplitude ripple of the frequency response (PRN).

Bessel Filters. Since Bessel filter is mostly used as a scheme with the constant Group Delay Time (GDT), the frequency cutoff (F cutoff) is normalized according to the following equation:

$$F_c = \frac{1}{2\pi} / GDT \approx 0.159155 / GDT$$
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The minimal value of the specified frequency is **0.01Hz**, maximal is **999999Hz**. Up to six digits are used, but not more than three decimal places, for instance **0.012 Hz**, **12,345Hz**, **465,333Hz**, **8473,22Hz**, **10000,5Hz**, **900000Hz**.

- Point 2. Enter the "Upper limit control" value for resistors. Upper limit of resistor value.
- **Point 3.** Enter the "Lower limit control" value for resistors. Lower limit of resistor value.

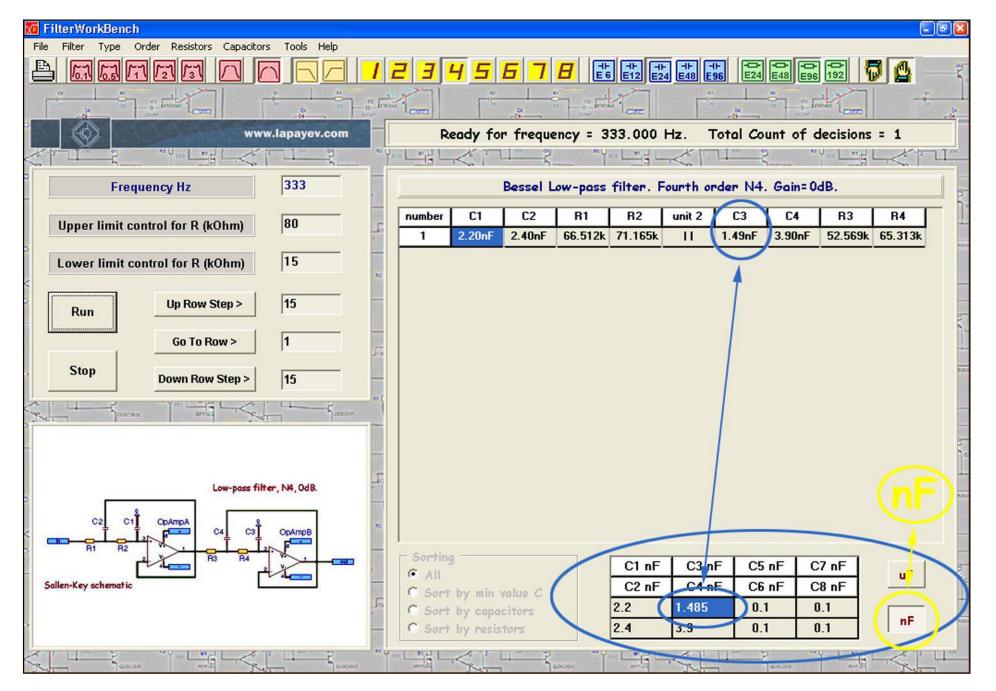
Start – click the "Run" button.

- Point 4. Up Row Step. A custom value of row scroll upwards.
- **Point 5. Go To Row**. A custom scrolling to the specified row. By default, this is the number of the last row.
- **Point 6. Down Row Step.** A custom value of row scroll downwards.
- **Point 7.** The row contains information on class, type, and order of the current filter.
- Point 8. The number of obtained solutions for the current design for the specified parameters.

Table.

Depending on the order of the active filter, its scheme has from one to four units realized on operational amplifiers (OpAmp) according to the Sallen-Key scheme and described in the table as **UNIT1**, **2**, **3**, **4**. Starting from the third order of the filter, units are calculated independently from each other. Thus, rather than using obtained values from a single row for all units, it is highly desirable to use different rows (e.g. where capacitance values match). In the example, this is row 8 for the first unit and row 1 for the second.

Getting Started with FilterWorkBench. Capacitors Manually On – Entering the capacitor values manually.



If you need to work with non-predetermined capacitance values, check the following option:

Menu/Capacitors / Manually On

A capacitance value field below the table becomes available for manual filling. By default, the value of **0.1uF** is used. Fill in necessary fields depending on the filter order used. Ignore the remaining fields. Click the "**uF**" or "**nF**" button to the right to fill in corresponding capacitor values. The value is rounded to the second decimal place, with the smallest step of **1pF**.

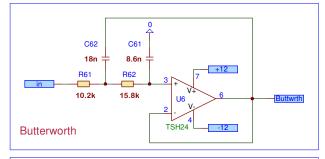
Please see further some examples of differentiation between the amplitude, phase characteristics, Group Delay Time, Chebyshev, Butterworth, and Bessel filters. Samples of practical schemes and their characteristics are also presented. At the end of the description, Sallen-Key schemes of filter design for each class and order are given.

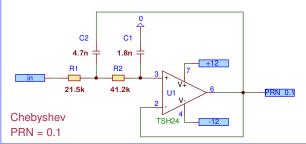
As everything in our world, this application is not perfect, and I will be glad to hear any feedback from you. Please send your thoughts to:

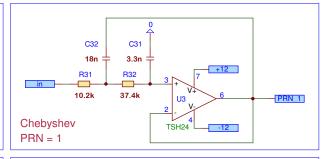
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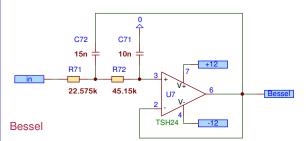


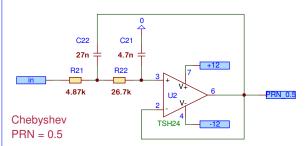
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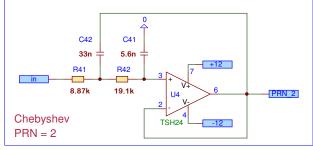




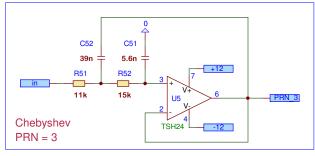


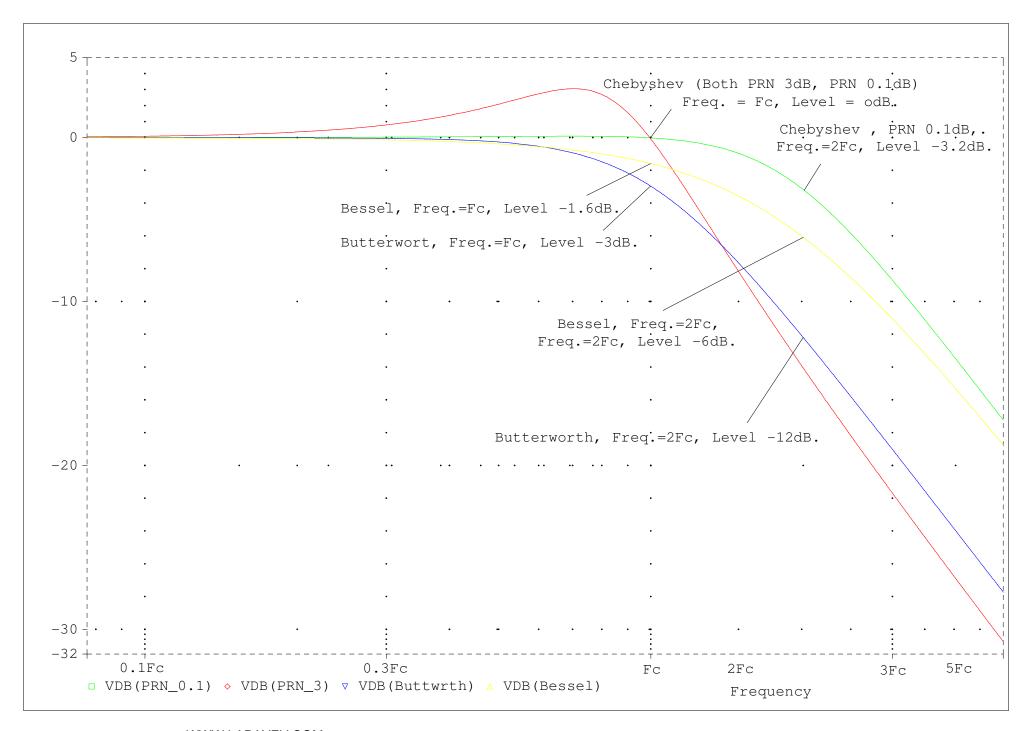


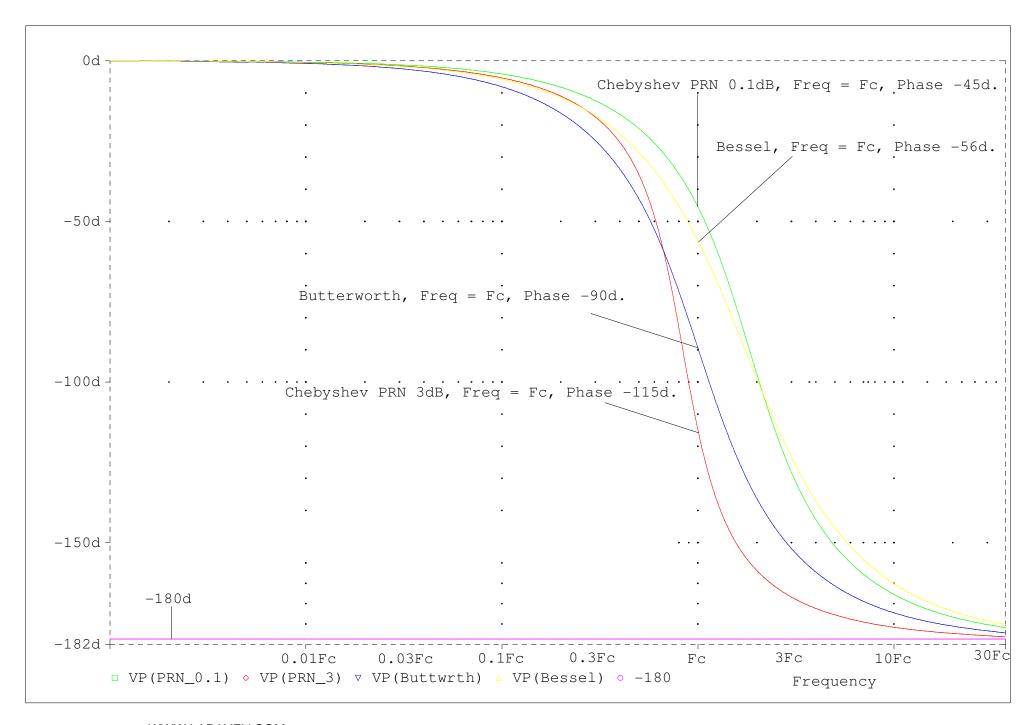


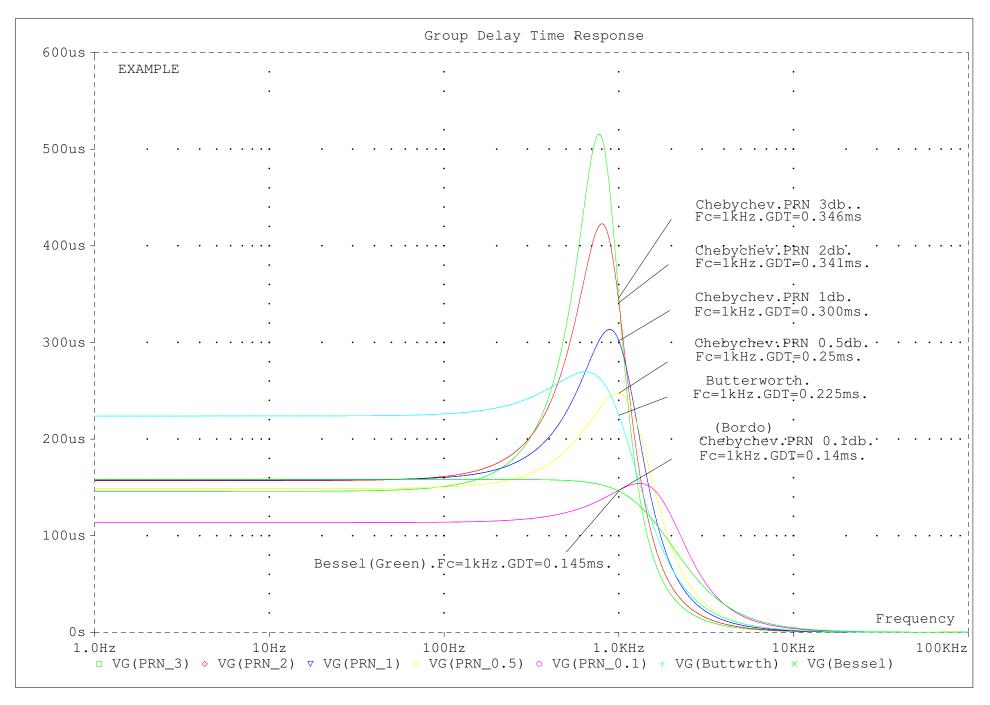


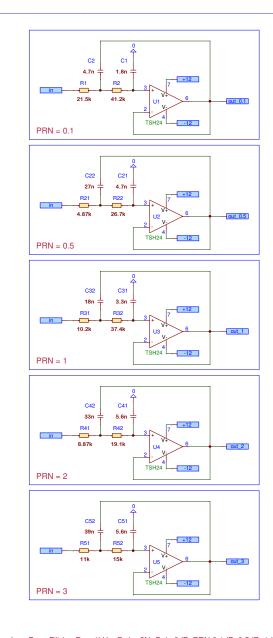
Low-Pass Filtring. Fc = 1kHz, Order 2N, Gain 0dB.



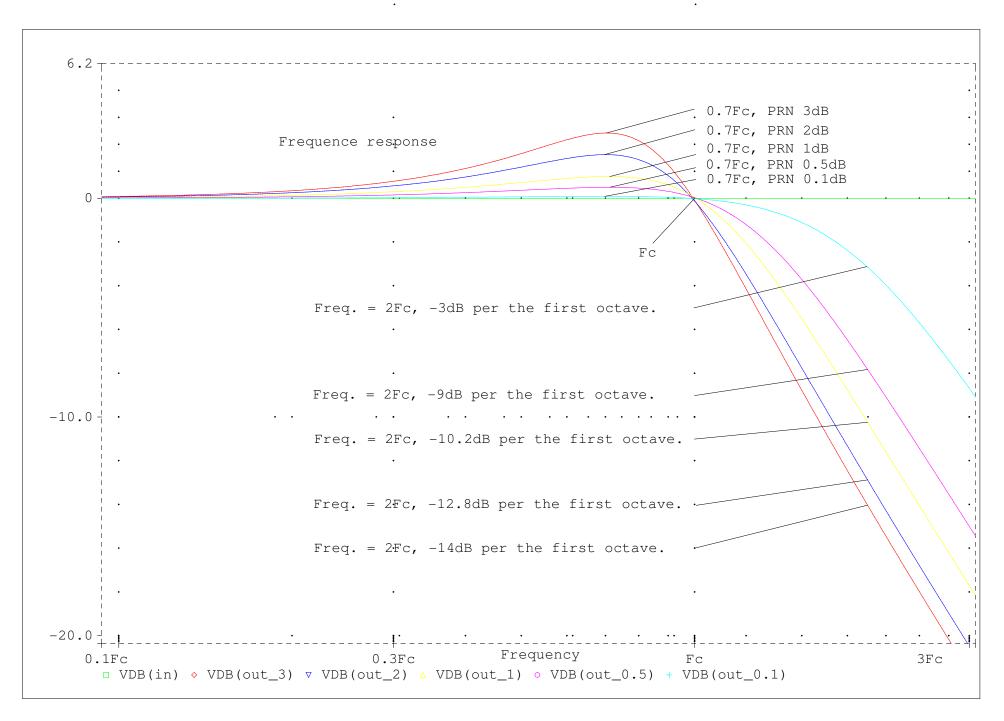


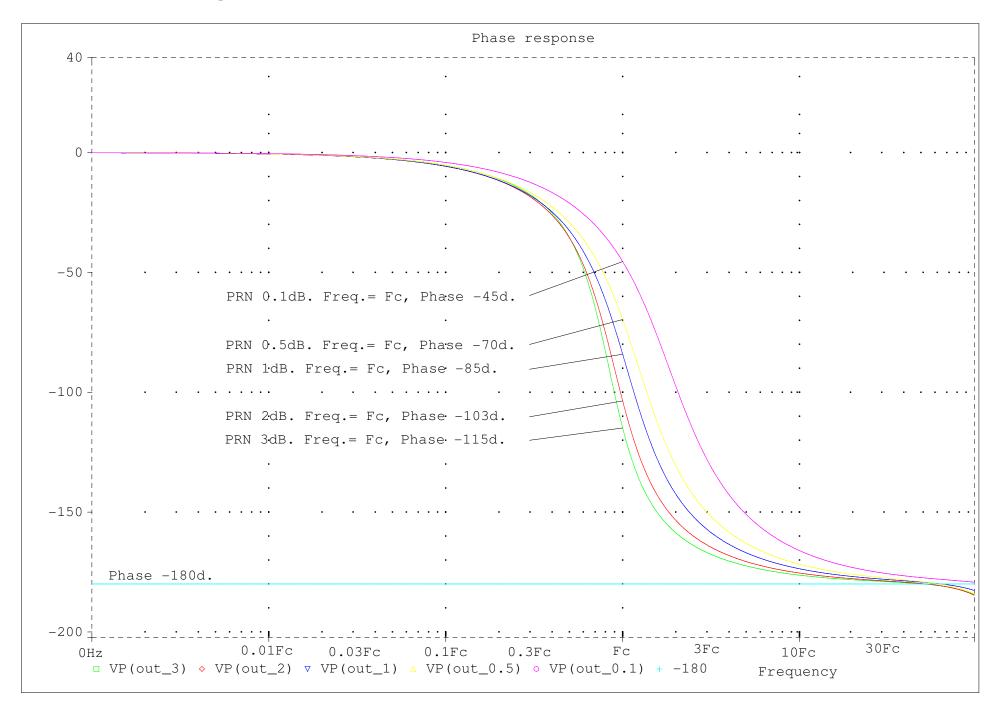


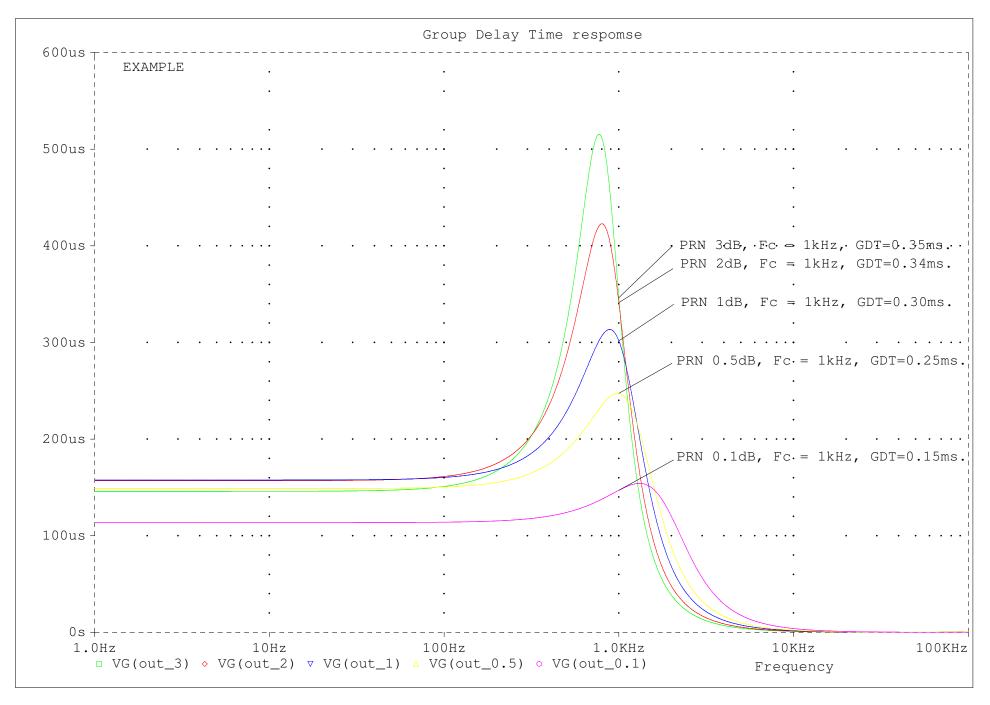




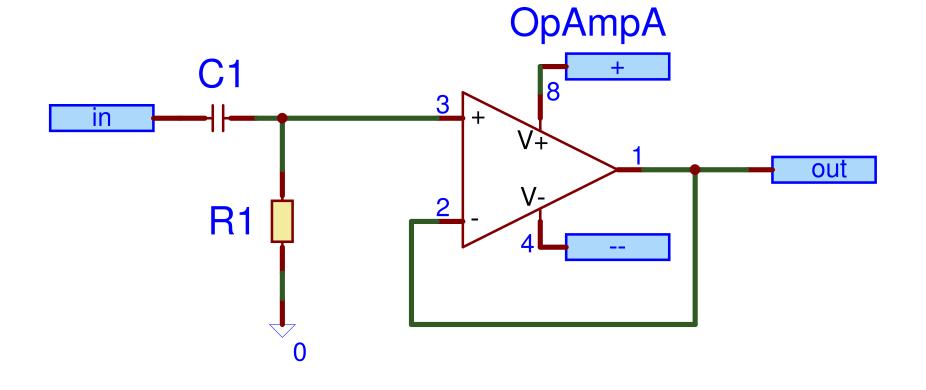
 $Chebyshev\ Low-Pass\ Filtring.Fc=1 kHz,\ Order\ 2N,\ Gain\ 0dB.\ PRN\ 0.1 dB,\ 0.5 dB,\ 1dB,\ 2dB, 3dB.$



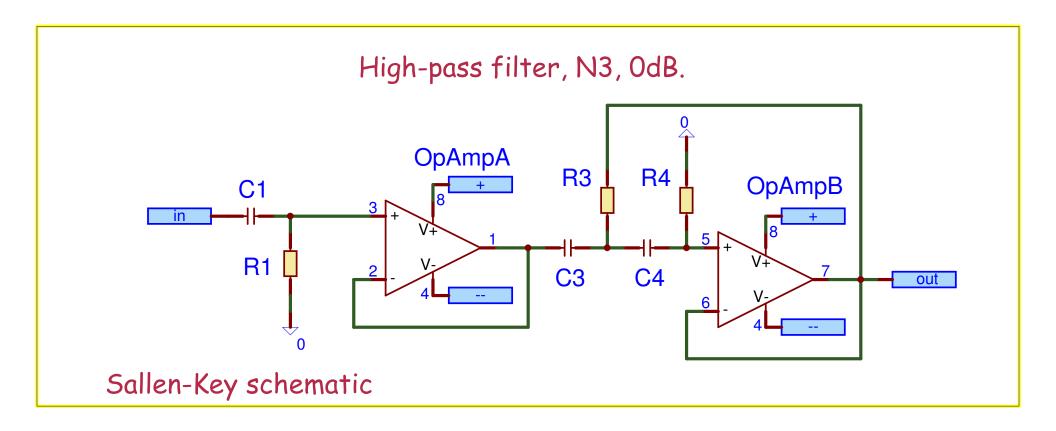


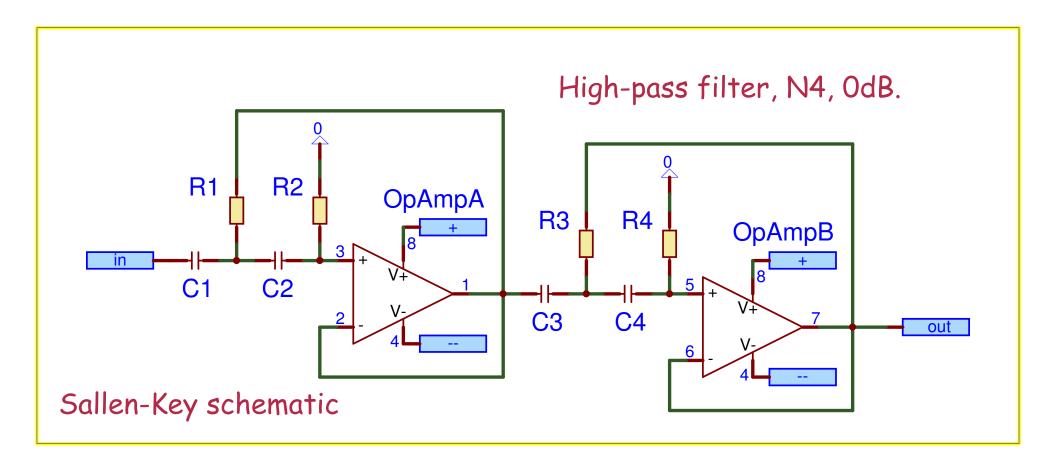


High-pass filter, N1, OdB.



High-pass filter, N2, OdB. **R1 R2 OpAmpA C2** 3 out Sallen-Key schematic





High-pass filter, N5, OdB. **OpAmpA** R3 R4 **OpAmpB C**1 R1 **C**3 **C**4 6 R5 R6 OpAmpC **C5 C6** out Sallen-Key schematic

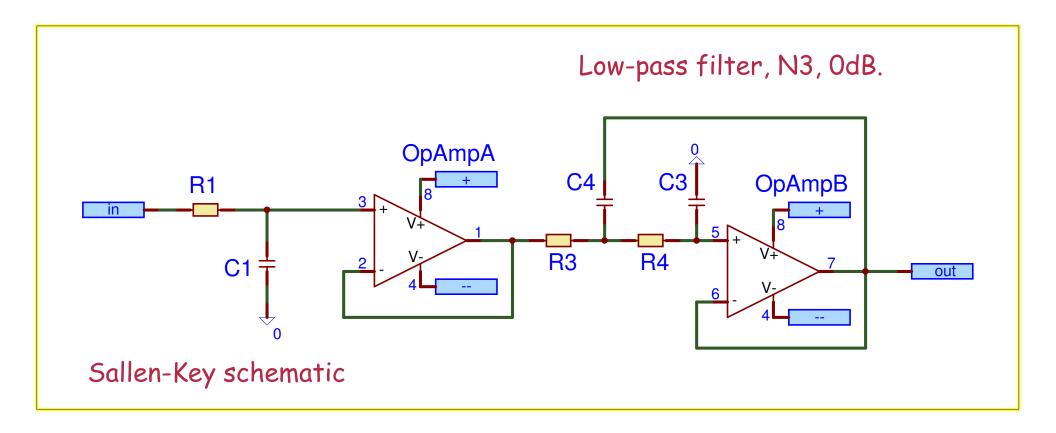
High-pass filter, N6, OdB. R2 R1 **OpAmpA** R3 R4 **OpAmpB** C2 **C**1 **C**3 **C**4 6 R6 R5 **OpAmpC C5 C6** out Sallen-Key schematic

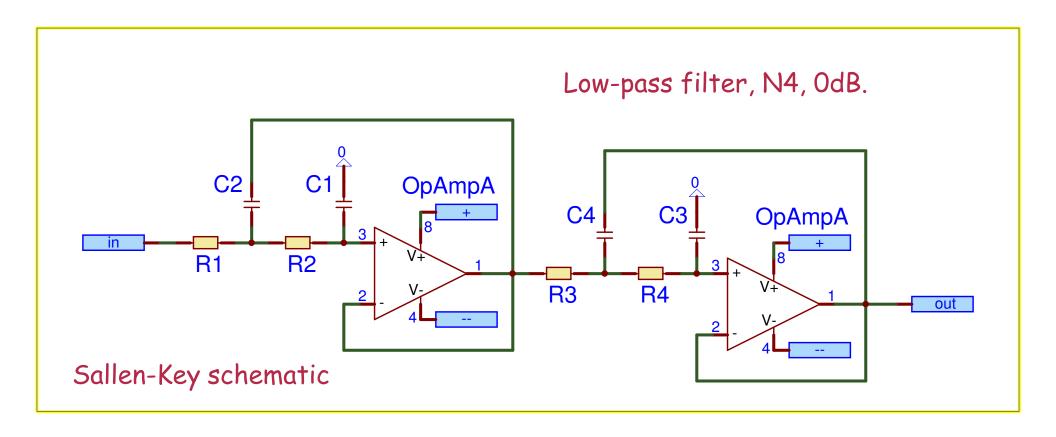
High-pass filter, N7, OdB. **OpAmpA** R4 R3 **C1 OpAmpB** R1 **C**3 **C4** 6 R5 R6 **OpAmpC** R7 R8 **OpAmpD C5 C6 C7 C8** out Sallen-Key schematic

High-pass filter, N8, OdB. R1 R2 OpAmpA R4 R3 **OpAmpB C**1 C2 **C**4 **C**3 6 R5 R6 **OpAmpC** R7 R8 **OpAmpD C5 C6 C7 C8** out Sallen-Key schematic

Low-pass filter, N1, OdB. **OpAmpA R**1 out

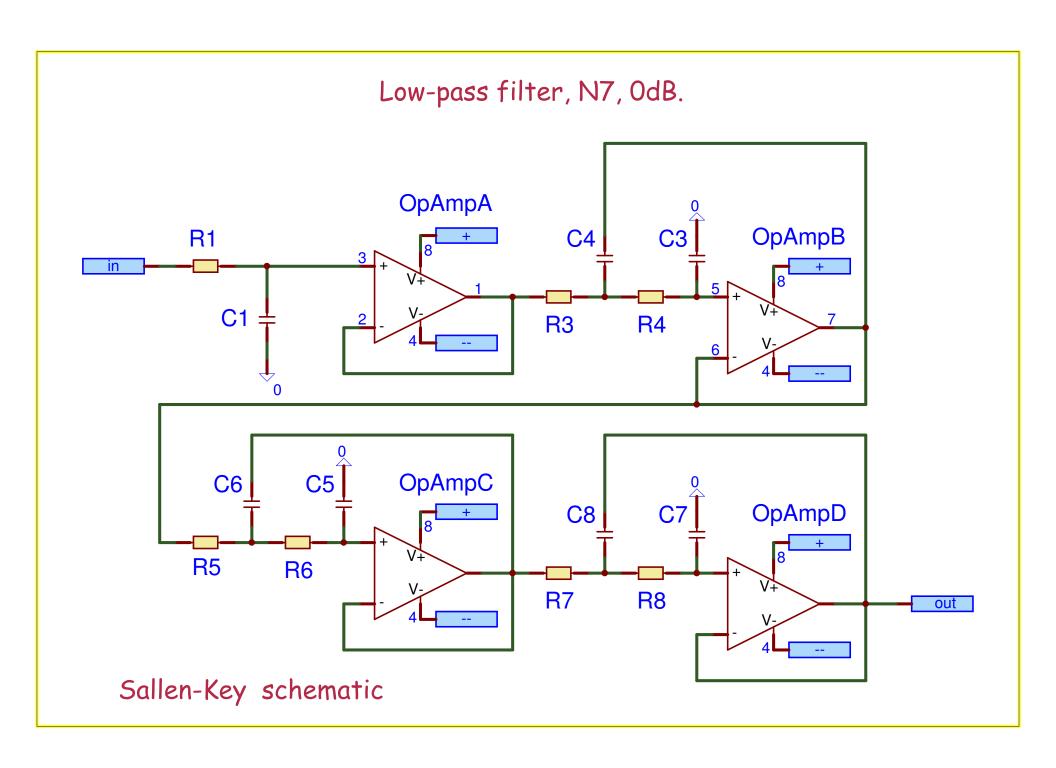
Low-pass filter, N2, OdB. **OpAmpA R**1 **R2** out Sallen-Key schematic





Low-pass filter, N5, OdB. **OpAmpA** OpAmpB R1 R3 R4 **C1** C6 **OpAmpC** R5 R6 out Sallen-Key schematic

Low-pass filter, N6, OdB. C1 OpAmpA C2 **OpAmpB** R1 R2 R3 R4 C5 C6 OpAmpC R5 R6 out Sallen-Key schematic



Low-pass filter, N8, OdB. **OpAmpA** C2 **C1 OpAmpB** R1 R2 R3 R4 C5 OpAmpC **C6 C8** OpAmpD **R5** R6 R7 R8 out Sallen-Key schematic