

## SEL4223 Digital Signal Processing

# **IIR Filter Design**

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## **Digital Filter Design**

- Filtering is a process of changing signal's spectral content. The change is usually to attenuate a range of frequencies in the signal while allowing the other frequencies to pass through.
- Below are how z-transform and DTFT are used to design the filter

Filter	Z-transform	DTFT
IIR (bilinear transformation)	<ul> <li>To convert an analog filter to the digital filter</li> <li>To obtain difference equation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To analyze the spectral response</li> </ul>
FIR (windowing)	<ul> <li>Not used. Difference equation can be obtained in time-domain by convolution</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To analyze the spectral response</li> </ul>





## Digital Filter Design (cont.)

 Shown in the previous table are only for bilinear transformation and windowing techniques. There are many other techniques in designing both IIR and FIR filters. Different technique will use the ztransform and DTFT (or DFT) differently.





#### **Ideal Filter**

• Cut-off frequency ( $\omega_c$ ) is the only parameter considered.

Lowpass filter:

Highpass filter:









## Ideal Filter (cont.)

Bandpass filter:





Bandstop filter:



$$|H(\omega)|_{HP} = \begin{cases} 1 & for \ \omega \leq \omega_{c1} \\ 0 & for \ \omega_{c1} < \omega < \omega_{c2} \\ 1 & for \ \omega_{c2} \leq \omega \leq \pi \end{cases}$$

 $= 1 - |H(\omega)|_{LP(\omega_{c2})} + |H(\omega)|_{LP(\omega_{c1})}$ 





## Non-ideal Filter

- Filter characteristic below must be considered:
  - $\omega_c$  Cutoff frequency
  - $\omega_p$  Passband edge frequency
  - $\omega_s$  Stopband edge frequency
  - $\delta_p$  Passband ripple
  - $\delta_s$  Stopband ripple
  - *N* Filter order
  - $\Delta \omega$  Transition bandwidth





#### Non-ideal Filter (cont.)







## **IIR Filter Design**

- There are two common technique used in designing the IIR filter
  - Impulse Invariance
  - Bilinear Transformation

• Basically, both techniques are implemented by converting system function of continuous-time filter (*H*(*s*)) to the discrete-time system function (*H*(*z*)). In other words, they map all poles in splane onto z-plane.





### **Bilinear Transformation**

• In Bilinear transformation technique, relationship between the s-plane and z-plane is shown below where  $c = \frac{2}{T_s}$  and  $T_s$  is the time sampling.

$$s = c \left( \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + z^{-1}} \right)$$

• Then, the relationship between the continuous-time frequency  $(\Omega)$  and the discrete-time frequency  $(\omega)$  is

$$\Omega = c. \tan\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right)$$
 and  $\omega = 2tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\Omega}{c}\right)$ 





## Filter Design Procedure

**1**. Determine filter characteristic  $(\delta_p, \delta_s, \omega_p, \omega_s, \omega_c, N)$ :

When designing filter, not all filter characteristics must be determine. Below are 3 ways of specifying the filter characteristics.

- I. Specify  $\delta_p$ ,  $\delta_s$ ,  $\omega_p$  and  $\omega_s$
- II. Specify  $\omega_c$ , N
- III. Specify  $\omega_c$ ,  $\omega_s$  and  $\delta_s$  or  $\omega_c$ ,  $\omega_p$  and  $\delta_p$

- 2. Find system function of the continuous-time filter, H(s): For Butterworth filter, need to find  $\Omega_c$  and N.
- 3. Transform the continuous-time filter, H(s) to the discrete-time filter, H(z)
- 4. Obtain the time-domain representation of the discrete-time filter for implementation:
  Either as an impulse response or as a difference equation.







- In this class, the filter design will be based only on Butterworth filter, which is one of the well known continuous-time filter. Another example of well known continuous-time filter is Chebyshev filter.
- The magnitude squared spectrum of continuous Butterworth filter is define as:

$$|H(j\Omega)|^{2} = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{\Omega}{\Omega_{c}}\right)^{2N}}$$





• From there, it follows that

$$H(s)H(-s) = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{-s^2}{\Omega_c^2}\right)^N}$$

 Based on the previous equation, it shows that Butterworth filter is an IIR filter as it contains poles at s ≠ 0. From the equation, it also shows that Butterworth filter contains only poles and no zeros on the s-plane.





• The poles of the Butterworth filter can be determined as follow:

$$s_k = \Omega_c e^{j(2k+N+1)\pi/2N}, \qquad k = 0, 1, ..., N-1$$

- Total number of the poles will be similar to N (filter order) where all poles are positions at  $\sigma < 0$  on the s-plane. This is to ensure the causality and stability of the filter.
- The following figures are examples of the poles position on the splane with  $\Omega_c = 1$ .











- Then, the system function of the Butterworth filter is
- To simplify the system function, always set  $\Omega_c = 1$ . Thus, the system function becomes

$$H(s) = \frac{\Omega_c^N}{\prod_{k=0}^{N-1} (s - s_k)}$$

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{\prod_{k=0}^{N-1} (s - s_k)}$$

 $s_k = e^{j(2k+N+1)\pi/2N}, \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ 





- Below is table showing the system function for several filter order when  $\Omega_c=1.$ 

Ν	H(s)	
1	$\frac{1}{s+1}$	
2	$\frac{1}{s^2 + 1.4142s + 1}$	
3	$\frac{1}{(s+1)(s^2+s+1)}$	
4	$\frac{1}{(s^2 + 0.7654s + 1)(s^2 + 1.8478s + 1)}$	





#### Example 1

• Design a digital lowpass filter based on 2<sup>nd</sup> order Butterworth filter where cutoff frequency of the filter is  $\omega_c = 0.5\pi rad$ 

Solution:

**Step 1**: Specify filter characteristics. Use given  $\omega_c = 0.5\pi$  and N = 2.

Step 2: Find system function of the continuous filter by setting  $\Omega_c = 1$ , system function for 2<sup>nd</sup> order Butterworth filter is

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1.4142s + 1}$$





**Step 3**: Transform H(s) to H(z)

$$s = c \left( \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + z^{-1}} \right)$$

Need to find c value. It can be computed based on given  $\omega_c$  and  $\Omega_c=1$  using equation below

$$\Omega_{\rm c} = c. \tan\left(\frac{\omega_c}{2}\right)$$
$$c = \frac{1}{\tan(0.25\pi)} = 1$$





Then, the discrete-time system function is

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}\right)^2 + 1.4142\left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}\right) + 1}$$
  
=  $\frac{(1+z^{-1})^2}{(1-z^{-1})^2 + 1.4142(1-z^{-1})(1+z^{-1}) + (1+z^{-1})^2}$   
=  $\frac{(1+z^{-1})^2}{3.4142 + 0.5858z^{-1}}$   
=  $0.2929\frac{1+2z^{-1}+z^{-2}}{1+0.1864z^{-2}}$ 





Step 4: Obtain time-domain representation. Here we use difference equation.

$$y[n] = 0.2929(x[n] + 2x[n-1] + x[n-2]) - 0.1864y[n-2]$$

 In order to see the shape of the filter, obtain and plot |H(ω)|. For this example, the plot is shown below. Also shown is the magnitude dB plot and poles and zero plot for the filter.





















• Design an IIR lowpass filter based on Butterworth filter with the following filter characteristics.

 $\delta_s = \delta_p = 0.1$  $\omega_p = 0.2\pi$  $\omega_s = 0.4\pi$ 

Solution:

Step 1: Specify filter characteristics. As given in the question the filter characteristics are shown in the following figure.









Step 2: Find system function of the continuous filter To obtain the system function, set  $\Omega_c = 1$  and find N





• From the filter characteristics,  $|H(j\Omega)|^2$  at  $\Omega_p$  and  $\Omega_s$  can be identified, which are  $0.9^2$  and  $0.1^2$  respectively. Based on this information, N can be computed as follows where generally, the magnitude squared spectrum of Butterworth filter is set as  $\Omega_c = 1$ 

$$|H(j\Omega)|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + \Omega^{2N}}$$

• In order to compute N, evaluate the magnitude squared spectrum at  $\Omega_p$  and  $\Omega_s$ . Based on bilinear transformation;

$$\Omega = c. \tan\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right)$$





• 
$$\Omega_{\rm p} = c.\tan\left(\frac{\omega_p}{2}\right) = c.\tan\left(\frac{0.2\pi}{2}\right) = 0.3249c$$

• 
$$\Omega_{\rm s} = c. \tan\left(\frac{\omega_s}{2}\right) = c. \tan\left(\frac{0.4\pi}{2}\right) = 0.7265c$$

• Evaluating magnitude squared spectrum at  $\Omega_p$  and  $\Omega_s$  gets to

$$\frac{1}{1 + (0.3249c)^{2N}} = 0.9^2$$
(1)  
$$\frac{1}{1 + (0.7265c)^{2N}} = 0.1^2$$
(2)





• By manipulating and rearranging the two equations, it can be shown that

$$N = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\log \left( \frac{|H(\Omega_{\rm s})|^2 \cdot \left(1 - |H(\Omega_{\rm p})|^2\right)}{|H(\Omega_{\rm p})|^2 \cdot \left(1 - |H(\Omega_{\rm s})|^2\right)} \right)}{\log \left(\frac{\Omega_{\rm p}}{\Omega_{\rm s}}\right)} \right)$$
$$= 3.7569$$

 $\approx 4$ 

• Because *N* must be an integer number, value from the computation is round toward infinity to ensure the filter characteristics specified in step 1 is hold.





Finally, with  $\Omega_c = 1$  and N = 4, the system function of the continuous-time filter is

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{(s^2 + 0.7654s + 1)(s^2 + 1.8478s + 1)}$$

**Step 3**: Transform H(s) to H(z)

$$s = c \left( \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + z^{-1}} \right)$$

Need to find *c* value. It can be computed based on equation (1) with N = 4. The results is c = 2.5676





Based on the *c* value, the discrete-time system function is

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{\left(c^2 \left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}\right)^2 + 0.7654c \left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}\right) + 1\right) \left(c^2 \left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}\right)^2 + 1.8478c \left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}\right) + 1\right)}$$
$$= \frac{(1+z^{-1})^4}{(9.5578 - 11.1851z^{-1} + 5.6273z^{-2})(12.337 - 11.1851z^{-1} + 2.8481z^{-2})}$$

Step 4: Obtain time-domain representation. Do it yourself as an exercise.

• Magnitude spectrum, magnitude dB spectrum and pole-zero plot of the filter are shown below where the cutoff frequency is  $\omega_c = 0.24$ .  $\omega_c$  can be computed using equation

$$\omega = 2tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\Omega}{c}\right)$$



















## Pair of Poles Solution

- As in the Example 2, there are two pairs of poles (N = 4). Thus, denumerator of H(z) is presented by multiplication of two sets of the 2<sup>nd</sup> order expressions.
- For each pair of poles, the transformation using the bilinear transformation from H(s) to H(z) where  $\Omega_c = 1$  can be written as

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + as + 1} \implies H(z) = \frac{(1 + z^{-1})^2}{b_1 + b_2 z^{-1} + b_3 z^{-2}}$$

$$b_1 = c^2 + ac + 1$$
  
 $b_2 = -2c^2 + 2$   
 $b_3 = c^2 - ac + 1$ 





## Pair of Poles Solution (cont.)

• When N is odd, there will be one extra poles after pairing all conjugation poles. The transformation of the extra poles from H(s) to H(z) where  $\Omega_c = 1$  can be written as

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s+1} \implies H(z) = \frac{(1+z^{-1})}{d_1 + d_2 z^{-1}}$$
$$d_1 = 1 + c$$
$$d_2 = 1 - c$$





#### Example 3

• Convert H(s) to H(z) for the 4<sup>th</sup> order Butterworth filter shown below using bilinear transformation. Assume c = 1

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{(s^2 + 0.7654s + 1)(s^2 + 1.8478s + 1)}$$

#### Solution:

• From bilinear transformation, H(z) can written as

$$H(z) = \frac{(1+z^{-1})^4}{(b_1+b_2z^{-1}+b_3z^{-2})(d_1+d_2z^{-1}+d_3z^{-2})}$$





where

 $b_1 = 1^2 + 0.7654 + 1 = 2.7654 \qquad d_1 = 1^2 + 1.8478 + 1 = 3.8478$   $b_2 = -2 + 2 = 0 \qquad d_2 = -2 + 2 = 0$  $b_3 = 1^2 - 0.7654 + 1 = 1.2346 \qquad d_3 = 1^2 - 1.8478 + 1 = 0.1522$ 

Thus,

$$H(z) = \frac{(1+z^{-1})^4}{(2.7654+1.2346z^{-2})(3.8478+0.1522z^{-2})}$$





#### Example 4

• Design an IIR Butterworth filter with  $\omega_c=0.5\pi,\,\omega_s=0.9\pi$  and  $\delta_s=0.01$ 

Solution:

- Step 1: Specify filter characteristics. Use filter characteristics as given in the question.
- Step 2: Find system function of the continuous filter by computing *N* from the magnitude squared equation of the Butterworth filter where

$$\frac{1}{1 + {\Omega_{\rm s}}^{2N}} = 0.01^2$$





$$\Omega_{\rm s} = c. \tan\left(\frac{\omega_s}{2}\right) = c. \tan\left(\frac{0.9\pi}{2}\right) = 6.3138c$$

• c value can be computed from equation below with  $\Omega_{\rm c} = 1$ 

$$\Omega_{\rm c} = c. \tan\left(\frac{\omega_c}{2}\right)$$

• From there, c = 1. Thus  $\Omega_{\rm s} = 6.3138$  and the magnitude squared equation becomes

$$\frac{1}{1+6.3138^{2N}} = 0.01^2$$





• Rearranging the magnitude squared equation leads to the formulation of *N* as below

$$N = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\log\left(\frac{1}{\delta_s^2} - 1\right)}{\log \Omega_s} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4}{0.8}\right) = 2.5 \approx 3$$

• Finally, with  $\Omega_c = 1$  and N = 3, the system function of the continuous-time filter is

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)(s^2 + s + 1)}$$





**Step 3**: Transform H(s) to H(z)

$$s = c\left(\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}\right)$$

Thus,

$$H(z) = \frac{(1+z^{-1})(1+z^{-1})^2}{(a_1+a_2z^{-1})(b_1+b_2z^{-1}+b_3z^{-2})}$$

where

$$a_1 = 1 + c = 2$$
  
 $a_2 = 1 - c = 0$ 





$$b_1 = c^2 + ac + 1 = 3.4142$$
  

$$b_2 = -2c^2 + 2 = 0$$
  

$$b_3 = c^2 - ac + 1 = 0.5858$$

#### Finally,

$$H(z) = \frac{(1+z^{-1})^3}{2(3.4142+0.5858z^{-2})}$$
$$= 0.1464 \frac{(1+z^{-1})^3}{(1+0.1716z^{-2})}$$





**Step 4**: Obtain time-domain representation.

$$H(z) = 0.1416 \frac{1 + 3z^{-1} + 3z^{-2} + z^{-3}}{1 + 0.1716z^{-2}}$$

$$y[n] = 0.1416(x[n] + 3x[n-1] + 3x[n-2] + x[n-3])$$
$$-0.1716y[n-2]$$



















#### Example 5

• Design an IIR Butterworth filter that will attenuate frequencies component at  $\omega = 0.5\pi$  and  $\omega = 0.9\pi$  in signal x[n] shown below. Also shown are the signal's magnitude and phase spectrum.

















#### Solution:

- Below are the solution by applying 2<sup>nd</sup> order and 9<sup>th</sup> order IIR Butterworth filter to signal x[n] with  $\omega_c = 0.3\pi$
- 2<sup>nd</sup> order Butterworth filter:















• Output













#### 9<sup>th</sup> order Butterworth filter













• Output







y[n]







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