

# AUDIO FILTERING ASSIGNMENT

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## I. DIGITAL FILTER

- I1. The sound file used for this code can be obtained from the following link.

[https://github.com/BATCHUISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/ishitha.wav](https://github.com/BATCHUISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/ishitha.wav)

- I2. Python code for removal of out of band noise:

```
import soundfile as sf
from scipy import signal

# read.wavfile
input_signal,fs=sf.read('ishitha.wav')

print('','',fs)

#sampling frequency of input signal
saml_freq=fs

#order of the filter
order=4

#cutoff frequency
cutoff_freq=10000.0

#digital frequency
Wn=2*cutoff_freq/saml_freq

#b and a are numerator and denominator
polynomials respectively
b,a=signal.butter(order,Wn,'low')

#filter the input signal with butterworth filter
output_signal=signal.filtfilt(b,a,input_signal,
    padlen=1)

#output_signal=signal.lfilt(b,a,input_signal)

#write the output signal into .wav file
sf.write('ishithareducednoise.wav',
    output_signal,fs)
```

- I3. Analysis of sound file before and after removal of noise using spectrogram ie: <https://academo.org/demos/spectrum-analyzer>.

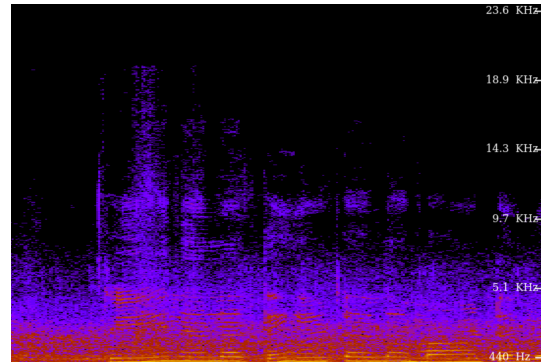


Fig. I.3. Spectrogram of the audio file before Filtering

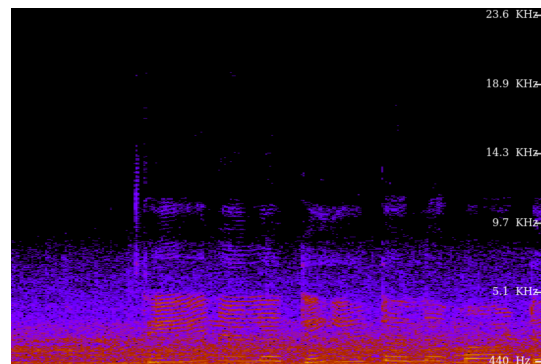


Fig. I.3. Spectrogram of the audio file after Filtering

## II. DIFFERENCE EQUATION

- II1. Let

$$x(n) = \left\{ \underset{\uparrow}{1}, 2, 3, 4, 2, 1 \right\} \quad (1)$$

Sketch  $x(n)$ .

- II2. Let

$$y(n) + \frac{1}{2}y(n-1) = x(n) + x(n-2),$$

$$y(n) = 0, n < 0 \quad (2)$$

**Solution:** C code for generating values of  $y(n)$ :

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/2.2.c](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/2.2.c)

Python code for plotting  $x(n)$  and  $y(n)$ :

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/2.2.py](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/2.2.py)

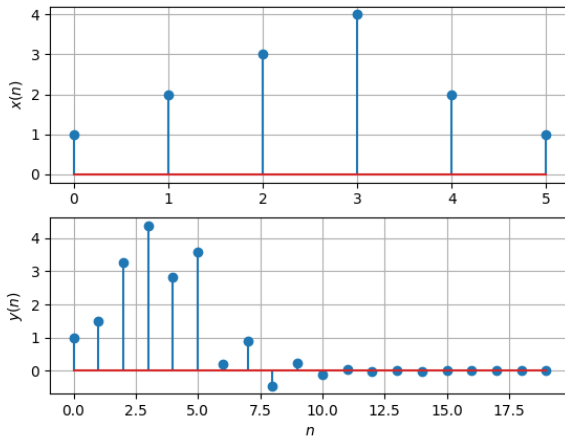


Fig. 2. Plot of  $x(n)$  and  $y(n)$

### III. Z-TRANSFORM

III.1 The Z-transform of  $x(n)$  is defined as

$$X(z) = \mathcal{Z} \{x(n)\} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n} \quad (3)$$

Show that

$$\mathcal{Z} \{x(n-1)\} = z^{-1}X(z) \quad (4)$$

and find

$$\mathcal{Z} \{x(n-k)\}. \quad (5)$$

**Solution:** From (3)

$$\mathcal{Z} \{x(n-1)\} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n-1)z^{-n} \quad (6)$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n-1} \quad (7)$$

$$= z^{-1} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n} \quad (8)$$

Hence, (4).

Similarly, it can be shown that

$$\mathcal{Z} \{x(n-k)\} = z^{-k}X(z) \quad (9)$$

III.2 Find

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} \quad (10)$$

from (2) assuming that the Z-transform is a linear operation.

**Solution:** Applying Z-transform on both sides of (2)

$$Y(z) + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}Y(z) = X(z) + z^{-2}X(z) \quad (11)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{1 + z^{-2}}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \quad (12)$$

III.3 Find the Z transform of

$$\delta(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

and show that the Z-transform of

$$u(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

is

$$U(z) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > 1 \quad (15)$$

**Solution:** It is easy to show that

$$\delta(n) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} 1 \quad (16)$$

and from (14),

$$U(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{-n} \quad (17)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > 1 \quad (18)$$

using the formula for the sum of an infinite geometric progression.

III.4 Show that

$$a^n u(n) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \quad |z| > |a| \quad (19)$$

**Solution:**

$$\mathcal{Z} \{a^n u(n)\} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (az^{-1})^n \quad (20)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \quad |z| > |a| \quad (21)$$

III.5 Let

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = H(z = e^{j\omega}). \quad (22)$$

Plot  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$ . Comment.  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$  is known as *Discrete Time Fourier Transform* (DTFT) of  $x(n)$ .

**Solution:** Substituting  $z = e^{j\omega}$  in (12),

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1 + e^{-2j\omega}}{1 + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\omega}} \quad (23)$$

$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = \left| \frac{1 + \cos 2\omega - j \sin 2\omega}{1 + \frac{1}{2}(\cos \omega - j \sin \omega)} \right| \quad (24)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \cos 2\omega)^2 + (\sin 2\omega)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\cos \omega\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\sin \omega\right)^2}} \quad (25)$$

$$= \frac{4|\cos \omega|}{\sqrt{5 + 4\cos \omega}} \quad (26)$$

$$|H(e^{j(\omega+2\pi)})| = \left| \frac{1 + e^{-2j(\omega+2\pi)}}{1 + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j(\omega+2\pi)}} \right| \quad (27)$$

$$= \frac{4|\cos \omega|}{\sqrt{5 + 4\cos \omega}} \quad (28)$$

$$= |H(e^{j\omega})| \quad (29)$$

Therefore, the fundamental period of  $H(e^{j\omega})$  is  $2\pi$ .

$\Rightarrow$  DTFT of a signal is always periodic.

The following code plots (III.5):

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/3.5.py](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/3.5.py)

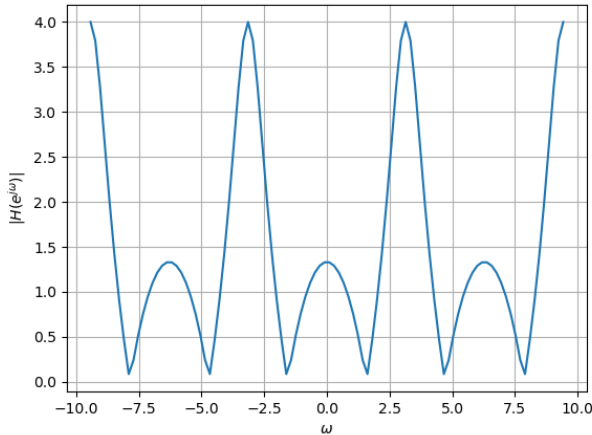


Fig. III.5.  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$

#### IV. IMPULSE RESPONSE

IV.1 Find an expression for  $h(n)$  using  $H(z)$ , given that

$$h(n) \xleftrightarrow{Z} H(z) \quad (30)$$

and there is a one to one relationship between  $h(n)$  and  $H(z)$ .  $h(n)$  is known as the *impulse response* of the system defined by (2).

**Solution:** From (12),

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{z^{-2}}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \quad (31)$$

$$\Rightarrow h(n) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(n) + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} u(n-2) \quad (32)$$

from (21) and (9).

IV.2 Sketch  $h(n)$ . Is it bounded? Convergent? The following code plots  $h(n)$  vs  $n$ .

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/4.2.py](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/4.2.py)

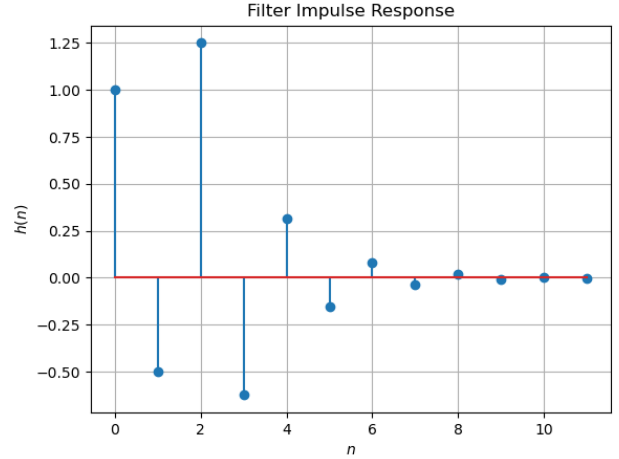


Fig. IV.2.  $h(n)$  as the inverse of  $H(z)$

IV.3 The system with  $h(n)$  is defined to be stable if

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h(n) < \infty \quad (33)$$

Is the system defined by (2) stable for impulse response in (30)?

**Solution:** For stable system (33) must be converging.

For  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$u(n) = u(n-2) = 1 \quad (34)$$

$$\Rightarrow h(n) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} \quad (35)$$

Since, both terms of  $h(n)$  tends to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $h(n) \rightarrow 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  output remains bounded for bounded inputs, ie:  $h(n)$  is stable.

#### IV.4 Compute and sketch $h(n)$ using

$$h(n) + \frac{1}{2}h(n-1) = \delta(n) + \delta(n-2) \quad (36)$$

This is the definition of  $h(n)$ .

**Solution:** The following code plots (IV.4) . Note that this is same as (IV.2).

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/4.4.py](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/4.4.py)

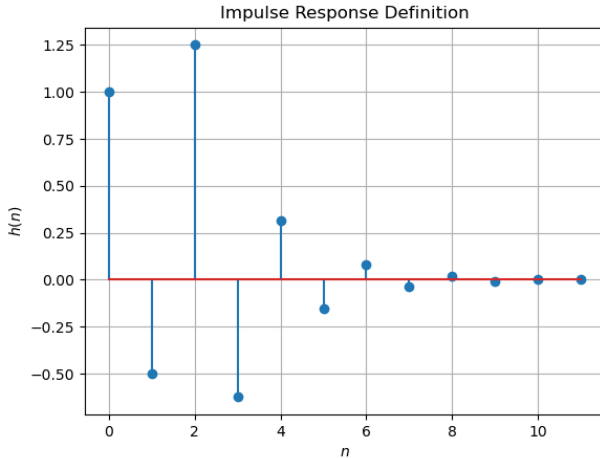


Fig. IV.4.  $h(n)$  from the definition

#### IV.5 Compute

$$y(n) = x(n) * h(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)h(n-k) \quad (37)$$

Comment. The operation in (37) is known as *convolution*.

**Solution:** The following code plots Fig. IV.5. Note that this is the same as  $y(n)$  in Fig:2.

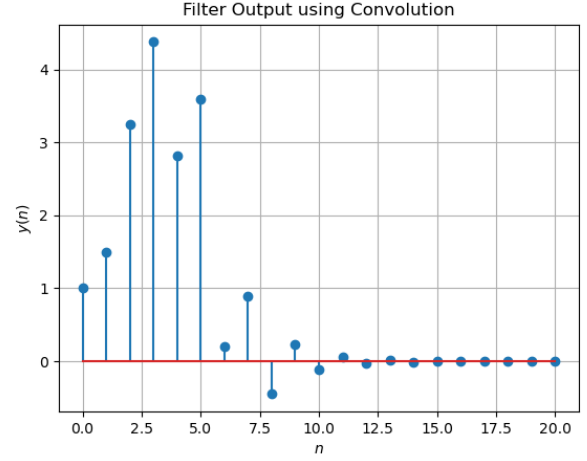


Fig. IV.5.  $y(n)$  from the definition of convolution

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/4.5.py](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/4.5.py)

#### IV.6 Show that

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n-k)h(k) \quad (38)$$

**Solution:** In (37), replacing  $k$  by  $n-k$

$$y(n) = \sum_{n-k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n-k)h(n-(n-k)) \quad (39)$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n-k)h(k) \quad (40)$$

### V. DFT AND FFT

#### V.1 Compute

$$X(k) \triangleq \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-\frac{2\pi jkn}{N}}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \quad (41)$$

and  $H(k)$  using  $h(n)$ .

#### V.2 Compute

$$Y(k) = X(k)H(k) \quad (42)$$

#### V.3 Compute

$$y(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} Y(k) \cdot e^{-\frac{2\pi jkn}{N}}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \quad (43)$$

**Solution:** The above three questions are solved using the code below.

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/5.py](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/5.py)

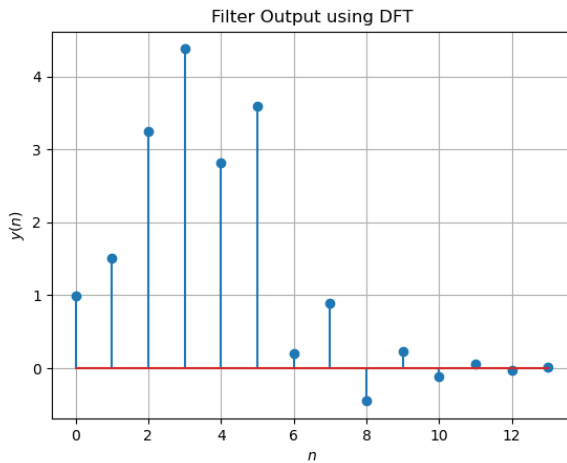


Fig. V.3.  $y(n)$  from the DFT

V.4 Repeat the previous exercise by computing  $X(k)$ ,  $H(k)$  and  $y(n)$  through FFT and IFFT.

**Solution:** This code verifies the result by plotting the result obtained from DFT, IDFT and the result obtained from FFT, IFFT.

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/5.4.py](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/5.4.py)

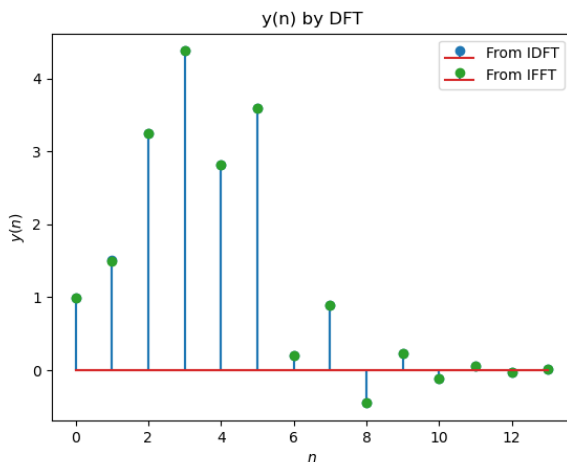


Fig. V.4.  $y(n)$  from the DFT, IDFT and from the FFT, IFFT are plotted and verified

V.5 Wherever possible, express all the above equations as matrix equations.

**Solution:** The DFT matrix is defined as :

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{pmatrix} \omega^0 & \omega^0 & \dots & \omega^0 \\ \omega^0 & \omega^1 & \dots & \omega^{N-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \omega^0 & \omega^{N-1} & \dots & \omega^{(N-1)(N-1)} \end{pmatrix} \quad (44)$$

where  $\omega = e^{-\frac{j2\pi}{N}}$ . Now any DFT equation can be written as

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} \quad (45)$$

where  $\mathbf{x}$  is the original signal and  $\mathbf{X}$  is the frequency-domain representation.

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x(0) \\ x(1) \\ \vdots \\ x(n-1) \end{pmatrix} \quad (46)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} X(0) \\ X(1) \\ \vdots \\ X(n-1) \end{pmatrix} \quad (47)$$

Thus we can rewrite (42) as:

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X} \odot \mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}) \odot (\mathbf{W}\mathbf{h}) \quad (48)$$

where the  $\odot$  represents the Hadamard product which performs element-wise multiplication. This is specifically called "SCHUR PRODUCT" when defined for matrices.

## VI. EXERCISES

Answer the following questions by looking at the python code in Problem:(I.2)

VI.1 The command

```
output_signal = signal.lfilter(b, a,
input_signal)
```

in Problem:(I.2) is executed through the following difference equation

$$\sum_{m=0}^M a(m) y(n-m) = \sum_{k=0}^N b(k) x(n-k) \quad (49)$$

where the input signal is  $x(n)$  and the output signal is  $y(n)$  with initial values all 0. Replace **signal.filtfilt** with your own routine and verify.

**Solution:** The below is the code for output of an audio signal with and without using inbuilt function signal.lfilter

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/6.1.py](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/6.1.py)

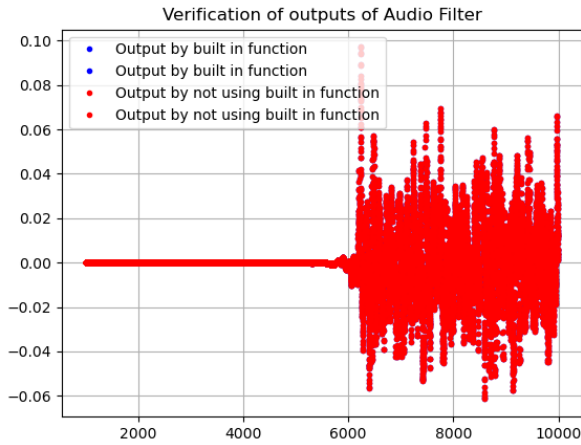


Fig. VI.1. output of an audio signal with and without inbuilt function signal.lfilter are plotted and verified

VI.2 Repeat all the exercises in the previous sections for the above  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Solution:** The code in I.2 generates the values of  $a$  and  $b$  which can be used to generate a difference equation.

And,

$$M = 5 \quad (50)$$

$$N = 5 \quad (51)$$

From 49

$$a(0)y(n) + a(1)y(n-1) + a(2)y(n-2) + a(3)y(n-3) + a(4)y(n-4) = b(0)x(n) + b(1)x(n-1) + b(2)x(n-2) + b(3)x(n-3) + b(4)x(n-4) \quad (52)$$

$$y(n-3) + a(4)y(n-4) = b(0)x(n) + b(1)x(n-1) + b(2)x(n-2) + b(3)x(n-3) + b(4)x(n-4)$$

Difference Equation is given by :

$$\begin{aligned} & y(n) - (0.65)y(n-1) + (0.62)y(n-2) \\ & - (0.15)y(n-3) + (0.03)y(n-4) \\ & = (0.05)x(n) + (0.21)x(n-1) \\ & + (0.32)x(n-2) + (0.21)x(n-3) \\ & + (0.53)x(n-4) \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

From (49)

$$H(z) = \frac{b_0 + b_1z^{-1} + b_2z^{-2} + \dots + b_Mz^{-M}}{a_0 + a_1z^{-1} + a_2z^{-2} + \dots + a_Nz^{-N}} \quad (54)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^N b(k)z^{-k}}{\sum_{k=0}^M a(k)z^{-k}} \quad (55)$$

Partial fraction on (??) can be generalised as:

$$H(z) = \sum_i \frac{r(i)}{1 - p(i)z^{-1}} + \sum_j k(j)z^{-j} \quad (56)$$

Now,

$$a^n u(n) \xleftrightarrow{Z} \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \quad (57)$$

$$\delta(n - k) \xleftrightarrow{Z} z^{-k} \quad (58)$$

Taking inverse z transform of (56) by using (57) and (58)

$$h(n) = \sum_i r(i)[p(i)]^n u(n) + \sum_j k(j)\delta(n - j) \quad (59)$$

The below code computes the values of  $r(i)$ ,  $p(i)$ ,  $k(i)$  and plots  $h(n)$

[https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/6.2.py](https://github.com/BATCHUIISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/6.2.py)

$r(i)$	$p(i)$	$k(i)$
$0.58129538 - 2.51766121j$	$0.13676769 + 0.19533079j$	$2.02482078$
$0.58129538 + 2.51766121j$	$0.13676769 - 0.19533079j$	$-$
$-0.40482158 + 0.3262658j$	$0.188968140 + 0.6515556j$	$-$
$-0.40462158 - 0.3262658j$	$0.188968140 - 0.6515556j$	$-$

TABLE I  
VALUES OF  $r(i)$ ,  $p(i)$ ,  $k(i)$

**Stability of h(n):**

According to (33)

$$H(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(n)z^{-n} \quad (60)$$

$$H(1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(n) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^N b(k)}{\sum_{k=0}^M a(k)} < \infty \quad (61)$$

As both  $a(k)$  and  $b(k)$  are finite length sequences they converge.

The below code plots Filter frequency response

**Solution:** A better filtering was found on setting the order of the filter to be ...

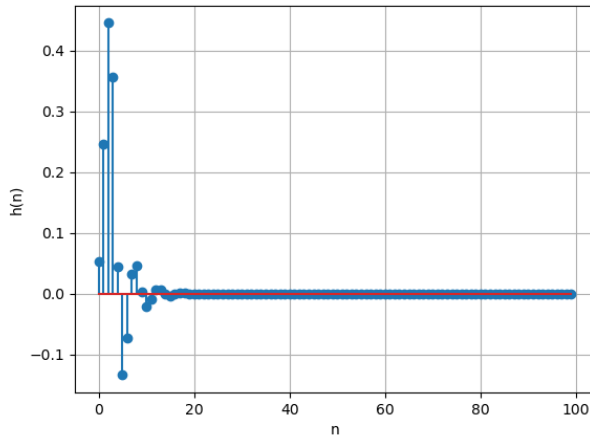


Fig. VI.2.  $h(n)$  of Audio Filter

[https://github.com/BATCHUISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio\\_filtering/codes/6.2.1.py](https://github.com/BATCHUISHITHA/EE-1205/blob/main/audio_filtering/codes/6.2.1.py)

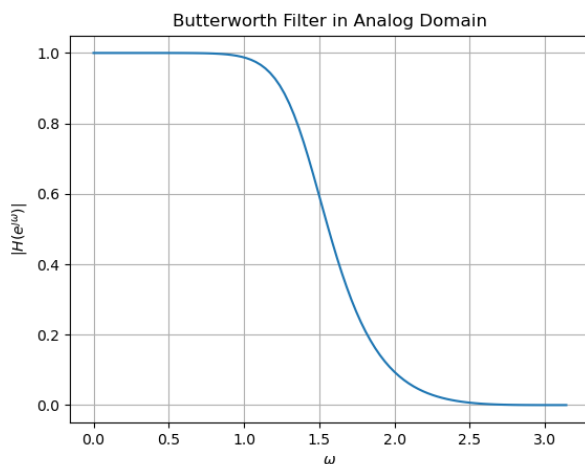


Fig. VI.2. Frequency Response of Audio Filter

VI.3 What is the sampling frequency of the input signal?

**Solution:** The sampling frequency of the input signal is 4.80kHz.

VI.4 What is type, order and cutoff-frequency of the above butterworth filter

**Solution:** The given butterworth filter is lowpass with order=4 and cutoff-frequency=10kHz.

VI.5 Modifying the code with different input parameters and to get the best possible output.