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**QUOTE (benski @ Jan 17 2011, 20:11)**  
Correct.

V are gain values and have no relation to sampling frequency  
Q is a "magic number" that effects the shape of the filter.

Fc stays constant - it's the nominal cutoff frequency.  $\omega$  is  $\tan(\omega_c/\omega_s * n)$  [it has been typo'd as  $\Omega$  in the paper,  $\omega/\Omega$  are lowercase/uppercase pairs]. That is, it's the cutoff frequency as a percentage of the sampling rate, and "pre-warped" with  $\tan()$  to match the frequency warping done by the bilinear transform. k is often used for  $\omega$  in source code.

I've finally managed (thanks to the pointers provided by Raiden) to find a closed solution to the re-quantization problem for digital biquad filters as it appears in the context of (but not restricted to) BS.1770.

Assume you've given the coefficients  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ ,  $b_0$ ,  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $b_3$  of a digital biquad filter for a particular sample frequency  $F_s$  (cf. e.g. <http://www.musicdsp.org/files/Audio-EQ-Cookbook.txt>).

The re-quantization problem consists in calculating the coefficients  $a_1'$ ,  $a_2'$ ,  $b_0'$ ,  $b_1'$ ,  $b_2'$ , and  $b_3'$  of a digital biquad filter with the same characteristics as the given one, but for another sample frequency  $F_s'$ .

The key to the solution are the pointers provided by Raiden:

1. Brian Neunaber: [Parameter Quantization in Direct-Form Recursive Audio Filters](#)
2. Raiden: [ITU-R BS.1770-1 filter specifications](#), January 15,

2011

According to [1] the coefficients  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ ,  $b_0$ ,  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$  of the given digital biquad filter can be mapped to the parameters  $F_c$ ,  $Q$ ,  $V_l$ ,  $V_b$ , and  $V_h$  of the corresponding analog filter by the following equations (using the notation from [2]):

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(1)      (1 + K / Q + K^2) * a1 = 2 * (K^2 - 1)
(2)      (1 + K / Q + K^2) * a2 = 1 - K / Q + K^2
(3)      (1 + K / Q + K^2) * b0 = Vh + Vb * K / Q + Vl *
K^2
(4)      (1 + K / Q + K^2) * b1 = 2 * (Vl * K^2 - Vh)
(5)      (1 + K / Q + K^2) * b2 = Vh - Vb * K / Q + Vl *
K^2
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with

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(6) K = tan(pi * Fc / Fs).
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In order to solve the above stated re-quantization problem we do the following:

1. Solve the eqs (1) - (5) for  $F_c$ ,  $Q$ ,  $V_l$ ,  $V_b$ , and  $V_h$ .
2. Use the equations

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(1')      (1 + K' / Q + K'^2) * a1' = 2 * (K'^2 -
1)
3. (2')      (1 + K' / Q + K'^2) * a2' = 1 - K' / Q +
K'^2
4. (3')      (1 + K' / Q + K'^2) * b0' = Vh' + Vb' *
K' / Q + Vl * K'^2
5. (4')      (1 + K' / Q + K'^2) * b1' = 2 * (Vl *
K'^2 - Vh)
6. (5')      (1 + K' / Q + K'^2) * b2' = Vh - Vb *
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$$K' / Q + V_l * K^2$$

with

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$$(6') \quad K' = \tan(\pi * F_c / F_s')$$

in order to calculate the coefficients  $a_1'$ ,  $a_2'$ ,  $b_0'$ ,  $b_1'$ , and  $b_2'$  for a digital biquad filter with the same characteristics  $F_c$ ,  $Q$ ,  $V_l$ ,  $V_b$ , and  $V_h$  as the given one but for a different sample frequency  $F_s'$ .

We start by solving eqs. (1) and (2) for  $K^2$  and  $K/Q$ , respectively. By substituting

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$$x_{11} = a_1 - 2$$

$$x_{12} = a_1$$

$$x_1 = -a_1 - 2$$

$$x_{21} = a_2 - 1$$

$$x_{22} = a_2 + 1$$

$$x_2 = -a_2 + 1$$

$$DX = x_{22} * x_{11} - x_{12} * x_{21}$$

and using well known methods we arrive at

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$$(6) \quad K^2 = (x_{22} * x_1 - x_{12} * x_2) / DX$$

$$(7) \quad K/Q = (x_{11} * x_2 - x_{21} * x_1) / DX$$

Next we solve eqs. (3), (4), and (5) for  $V_h$ ,  $V_b$ , and  $V_l$ .  
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$$(8) \quad a_0 = 1 + K/Q + K^2$$

and reordering eqs. (3), (4), and (5) they read

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$$(3a) \quad v_h + K/Q * v_b + K^2 * v_l = b_0 * a_0$$

$$(4a) \quad -2 * v_h + (2 * K^2) * v_l = b_1 * a_0$$

$$(5a) \quad v_h - K/Q * v_b + K^2 * v_l = b_2 * a_0$$

Now it's not hard any longer to find the solutions:

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$$(9) \quad v_b = \frac{a_0 * (b_0 - b_2)}{2 * K/Q}$$

$$(10) \quad v_l = \frac{a_0 * (b_0 + b_1 + b_2)}{4 * K^2}$$

$$(11) \quad v_h = \frac{a_0 * (b_0 - b_1 + b_2)}{4}$$

Finally we observe from eqs. (6) and (6') the following:

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$$(6) \quad K = \tan(\pi * F_c / F_s)$$

$$(6)' \quad K' = \tan(\pi * F_c / F_s')$$

$$(12) \quad K' = \tan(\operatorname{atan}(K) * F_s / F_s')$$

Eqs. (6) and (7) along with (9), (10), (11), and (12) provide everything we need for re-quantizing any given digital biquad filter. We demonstrate this by the following C code (please note that this code re-quantizes digital biquad filters on the fly, no pre-

processing by an external algebra system ist needed).

## CODE

```
typedef struct biquad {
    double fs;
    double a1, a2;
    double b0, b1, b2;
} biquad_t;

typedef struct biquad_ps {
    double k;
    double q;
    double vb;
    double vl;
    double vh;
} biquad_ps_t;

void biquad_get_ps(biquad_t *biquad, biquad_ps_t *ps)
{
    double x11 = biquad->a1 - 2;
    double x12 = biquad->a1;
    double x1 = -biquad->a1 - 2;

    double x21 = biquad->a2 - 1;
    double x22 = biquad->a2 + 1;
    double x2 = -biquad->a2 + 1;

    double dx = x22*x11 - x12*x21;
    double k_sq = (x22*x1 - x12*x2)/dx;
    double k_by_q = (x11*x2 - x21*x1)/dx;
    double a0 = 1.0 + k_by_q + k_sq;

    ps->k = sqrt(k_sq);
    ps->q = ps->k/k_by_q;
    ps->vb = 0.5*a0*(biquad->b0 - biquad->b2)/k_by_q;
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    ps->vl = 0.25*a0*(biquad->b0 + biquad->b1 + biquad-
>b2)/k_sq;
    ps->vh = 0.25*a0*(biquad->b0 - biquad->b1 + biquad-
>b2);
}

biquad_t *biquad_requantize(biquad_t *in, biquad_t *out)
{
    if (in->fs==out->fs)
        return in;
    else {
        biquad_ps_t ps;
        double k, k_sq, k_by_q, a0;

        biquad_get_ps(in, &ps);
        k=tan((in->fs/out->fs)*atan(ps.k));
        k_sq = k*k;
        k_by_q = k/ps.q;
        a0 = 1.0 + k_by_q + k_sq;

        out->a1 = (2.0*(k_sq - 1.0))/a0;
        out->a2 = (1.0 - k_by_q + k_sq)/a0;
        out->b0 = (ps.vh + ps.vb*k_by_q + ps.vl*k_sq)/a0;
        out->b1 = (2.0 * (ps.vl*k_sq - ps.vh))/a0;
        out->b2 = (ps.vh - ps.vb*k_by_q + ps.vl*k_sq)/a0;

        return out;
    }
}

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The following code demonstrates how to re-quantize the 48 kHz BS.1770 pre-filter to it's 44.1 kHz equivalent using the above functions.

## CODE

```
int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    int i;

    biquad_t pre48000={
        .fs=48000,
        .a1=-1.69065929318241,
        .a2=0.73248077421585,
        .b0=1.53512485958697,
        .b1=-2.69169618940638,
        .b2=1.19839281085285
    };

    biquad_t pre44100={ .fs=44100 };

    biquad_requantize(&pre48000, &pre44100);
    printf("a1: %f, %f\n", pre48000.a1, pre44100.a1);
    printf("a2: %f, %f\n", pre48000.a2, pre44100.a2);
    printf("b1: %f, %f\n", pre48000.b0, pre44100.b0);
    printf("b2: %f, %f\n", pre48000.b1, pre44100.b1);
    printf("b3: %f, %f\n", pre48000.b2, pre44100.b2);
}
```