

Solution of the tutorial on filter synthesis

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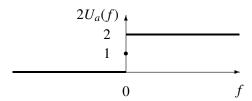
1 Rejector filter

Let us consider the transfer function $H(z) = \frac{1-2\cos(\theta)z^{-1}+z^{-2}}{1-2\rho\cos(\theta)z^{-1}+\rho^2z^{-2}}$, with $0 < \rho < 1$. Check that H(z) can be factorized in the form $H(z) = \frac{(1-z_0z^{-1})(1-z_0^*z^{-1})}{(1-\rho z_0z^{-1})(1-\rho z_0^*z^{-1})}$, where z_0 is to be expressed as a function of θ . What is the normalized frequency rejected by this filter? What is the domain of convergence of its stable implementation? Is this implementation causal? Write the corresponding input/output relationship.

We get $H(z) = \frac{(1-z_0z^{-1})(1-z_0^*z^{-1})}{(1-\rho z_0z^{-1})(1-\rho z_0^*z^{-1})}$ with $z_0 = e^{i\theta}$. H(z) is zero when $z = z_0$ or $z = z_0^*$, therefore the normalized frequency rejected by this filter is $\frac{\theta}{2\pi}$. The two possible domains of convergence are the disk of radius ρ and its complement. Since $\rho < 1$, the one which contains the unit circle is the complement. Therefore the domain of convergence of its stable implementation is the complement of the disk of radius ρ . This implementation is also causal since its domain is the complement of a disk. Moreover, since $(1-2\rho\cos(\theta)z^{-1}+\rho^2z^{-2})Y(z)=(1-2\cos(\theta)z^{-1}+z^{-2})X(z)$, the corresponding input/output relationship is $y(n)=2\rho\cos(\theta)y(n-1)-\rho^2y(n-2)+x(n)-2\cos(\theta)x(n-1)+x(n-2)$.

2 Hilbert filter

Let $x_a(t)$ be a continuous time (analog) real signal. The *analytic* signal associated to $x_a(t)$ is the signal $z_a(t)$ whose the CTFT is expressed as $Z_a(f) = 2 U_a(f) X_a(f)$, where $U_a(f)$ is the unit step function, whose value is 1 for f > 0, and 0 for f < 0. For continuity reasons, we assume that $U_a(0) = \frac{1}{2}$. The filter of frequency response $2U_a(f)$ is referred to as the *analytic filter*.



1. Which property does function $X_a(f)$ satisfy? Deduce the expression of $\frac{1}{2}(Z_a(f) + Z_a^*(-f))$ as a function of $X_a(f)$, and prove that the real part of $Z_a(t)$ is equal to $Z_a(t)$. We can then write $Z_a(t) = Z_a(t) + i y_a(t)$, where the real signal $Z_a(t)$ is defined as the imaginary part of $Z_a(t)$.

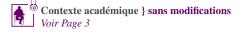
Since $x_a(t)$ is a real signal, function $X_a(f)$ is Hermitian symmetric. Therefore $\frac{1}{2}(Z_a(f)+Z_a^*(-f))=U_a(f)X_a(f)+U_a(-f)X_a^*(-f)=(U_a(f)+U_a(-f))X_a(f)=X_a(f)$. In the time domain, this equality is equivalent to $\frac{1}{2}(z_a(t)+z_a^*(t))=x_a(t)$, i.e. $Re(z_a(t))=x_a(t)$.

2. Prove that $y_a(t)$ can be obtained from $x_a(t)$ by linear filtering of frequency response $H_a(f) = -i \operatorname{sign}(f)$, where $\operatorname{sign}(f) = 1$ for f > 0, $\operatorname{sign}(f) = -1$ for f < 0, and $\operatorname{sign}(0) = 0$. Filter $H_a(f)$ is referred to as the *Hilbert filter*, and $y_a(t)$ is called the *Hilbert transform* of $x_a(t)$.

By definition, we have $y_a(t) = -i(z_a(t) - x_a(t))$, thus $Y_a(f) = -i(Z_a(f) - X_a(f)) = -i(2 U_a(f) - 1)X_a(f) = H_a(f)X_a(f)$, therefore $y_a(t)$ can be obtained from $x_a(t)$ by linear filtering of frequency response $H_a(f)$.

Let us assume that the signal $x_a(t)$ satisfies the assumptions of the sampling theorem: there exists a frequency F_s such that the support of $X_a(f)$ is included in $] - \frac{F_s}{2}, \frac{F_s}{2}[$. We then consider the sampled signals $x(n) = x_a(nT_s)$ and $y(n) = y_a(nT_s)$, where $T_s = 1/F_s$. We remind the relationship between the

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DTFT $X(e^{2i\pi\nu})$ and the CTFT $X_a(f)$:

$$X(e^{2i\pi\nu}) = \frac{1}{T_s} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} X_a \left(\frac{\nu + k}{T_s} \right) \tag{1}$$

3. Simplify the expression (1) when $v \in]-\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}[$. Check that $Y(e^{2i\pi v})$ satisfies a similar expression. Deduce that the signal y(n) can also be expressed as the output of the discrete filter of frequency response $H(e^{2i\pi v}) = -i\operatorname{sign}(v)$ for $v \in]-\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}[$ (and $H(e^{2i\pi v}) = 0$ for $v = \pm \frac{1}{2}$), applied to the input signal x(n).

When $v \in]-\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}[$, we get $X(e^{2i\pi v})=\frac{1}{T_s}X_a\left(\frac{v}{T_s}\right)$, and in the same way $Y(e^{2i\pi v})=\frac{1}{T_s}Y_a\left(\frac{v}{T_s}\right)$. Therefore $Y(e^{2i\pi v})=\frac{1}{T_s}H_a\left(\frac{v}{T_s}\right)X_a\left(\frac{v}{T_s}\right)=-i\operatorname{sign}(v)X(e^{2i\pi v})=H(e^{2i\pi v})X(e^{2i\pi v})$. Therefore $Y(e^{2i\pi v})=\frac{1}{T_s}H_a\left(\frac{v}{T_s}\right)X_a\left(\frac{v}{T_s}\right)=-i\operatorname{sign}(v)X(e^{2i\pi v})=H(e^{2i\pi v})X(e^{2i\pi v})$. Therefore $Y(e^{2i\pi v})=\frac{1}{T_s}H_a\left(\frac{v}{T_s}\right)$ applied to the input signal $Y(e^{2i\pi v})=\frac{1}{T_s}H_a\left(\frac{v}{T_s}\right)$.

Remark: the discrete filter $H(e^{2i\pi v})$ allows us to directly compute the samples y(n) of the Hilbert transform from the samples x(n), without having to perform a digital/analog conversion.

4. By applying the inverse DTFT, prove that the impulse response h(n) satisfies $h(n) = \frac{2}{\pi n}$ if n is odd, and 0 if n is even.

We have
$$h(n) = \int_{\nu=-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} H(e^{2i\pi\nu}) e^{2i\pi\nu n} d\nu = \int_{\nu=-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} -i \operatorname{sign}(\nu) e^{2i\pi\nu n} d\nu = -i \left(\int_{\nu=0}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{2i\pi\nu n} d\nu - \int_{\nu=-\frac{1}{2}}^{0} e^{2i\pi\nu n} d\nu \right) = -i \left(\frac{(-1)^n - 1}{2i\pi n} - \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{2i\pi n} \right) = \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{\pi n}.$$
 Therefore $h(n) = \frac{2}{\pi n}$ if n is odd, and 0 if n is even.

5. Is this filter causal? Stable? Of finite (FIR) or infinite (IIR) impulse response?

This filter is non-causal, non-stable, and IIR.

6. For a discrete filter of impulse response g(n) and of transfer function G(z), what is the impulse response of the filter of transfer function $G(z^2)$? By using the fact that the even coefficients of h(n) are zero, deduce that there exists a transfer function G(z), such that $H(z) = z^{-1}G(z^2)$. What is the impulse response g(n)?

The impulse response $\tilde{g}(n)$ of the filter of transfer function $\tilde{G}(z) = G(z^2)$ is $\tilde{g}(n) = 0$ if n is odd, and $\tilde{g}(n) = g(\frac{n}{2})$ if n is even. Since the even coefficients of h(n) are zero, we conclude that there exists a transfer function G(z), such that $H(z) = z^{-1}G(z^2)$. Moreover, when n is odd, we have $h(n) = g(\frac{n-1}{2})$, so with $m = \frac{n-1}{2}$, we get $g(m) = h(2m+1) = \frac{1}{\pi(m+\frac{1}{2})}$.

7. We want to approximate the ideal filter G(z) by using the window method, in order to synthesize a linear phase FIR filter, of type 4 (even length N, antisymmetric impulse response g(n)). Quickly summarize the principle of the window method, its advantages and its drawbacks.

The window method is described in the course.





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