

Digital Filter Design in Python Based on Convex Optimization

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I. DIGITAL FILTER DESIGN

In this article, the design of Finite Impulse Response (FIR) digital filters is described. The approach is based on the Chebyshev design which is expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{h}, \delta_2} \quad & \delta_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{1}{\delta_1} \leq H(\omega_k) \leq \delta_1, \quad 0 \leq \omega_k \leq \omega_p, \\ & -\delta_2 \leq H(\omega_k) \leq \delta_2, \quad \omega_s \leq \omega_k \leq \pi, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where ω_p, ω_s are the pass-band and stop-band cut-off frequencies, respectively. In addition, $\pm 20 \log_{10} \delta_1$ is the pass-band ripple. Furthermore, $-20 \log_{10} \delta_2$ is the stop-band attenuation.

Finally $H(\omega) = \sum_{n=1}^N h[n] \exp(-j\omega n/N)$.

Digital filter design problem can be written in different forms. The convex optimization problem given in (1) is based on minimizing the stop-band attenuation.

A. Low Pass Filter

The Low Pass Filter (LPF) design is performed based on the following min-max optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{h}} \quad & \max |\mathbf{H}(\omega_i)| \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{1}{\delta_1} \leq \mathbf{H}(\omega_k) \leq \delta_1, \quad 0 \leq \omega_k \leq \omega_p, \\ & \omega_s \leq \omega_i \leq \pi. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

The code for the filter design has been given as follows.

```
#Low pass filter
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import sys
import cvxpy as cp
import matplotlib
```

```

import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

from %matplotlib qt

class Params:

    N = 256
    Fs = 40
    fp = 3/Fs
    fs = 9/Fs
    filter_order = 10
    delta = 0.5
    freq = np.linspace(0,1,N)
    def __init__(self):

        pass

class Opt(Params):

    def __init__(self):

        super(Opt, self).__init__()
        self.utils()

    def utils(self):

        A = 2*np.cos(2*np.pi*Params.freq.reshape(-1,1)*np.arange(0,Params.filter_order))
        index_p = np.where(Params.freq<Params.fp)[0].tolist()
        index_s = np.where(((Params.fs<Params.freq) & (Params.freq<1/2.)))[0].tolist()
        A[:,0] = 1
        self.Ap = A[index_p,:]
        self.As = A[index_s,:]

    def _cost(self, hp):

        cost = cp.max(cp.abs(self.As@hp))
        return cost

    def _constr(self, hp):

        constr = []
        constr += [10**(-Params.delta/20) <= self.Ap @ hp]
        constr += [self.Ap @ hp <= 10**(Params.delta/20)]

        return constr

    def _run(self):

        hp = cp.Variable(Params.filter_order)

```

```

prob = cp.Problem(cp.Minimize(self._cost(hp)), self._constr(hp))
prob.solve()

return hp.value

```

```
class Filter(Params):
```

```

    def __init__(self):
        pass

```

```
@staticmethod
```

```

    def impulse_response(h):

        h = np.hstack((h[:0:-1], h))

        return Filter.frequency_response(h)

```

```
    def frequency_response(h):
```

```

        H = np.fft.fft(h, Params.N)

        return h, H

```

```
class Display:
```

```
    def __init__(self, H, h, msg):
```

```

        self.msg = msg
        self.display_IPR(h)
        self.display_IPR_H(H)
        self.display_phase(H)

```

```
    def display_IPR(self, h):
```

```

        plt.figure()
        plt.stem(h)
        plt.plot(h, 'r--')
        plt.grid()
        plt.xlabel('$Samples$', FontSize = 16)
        plt.ylabel('$IPR$', FontSize = 16)
        matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
        matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
        #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
        #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
        plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{msg}\;\; Pass\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
        #plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
        plt.tight_layout()
        plt.show()

```

```
    def display_IPR_H(self, H):
```

```

        H = abs(H)
        plt.figure()
        plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 20*np.log10(H), 'k', lw = 3)
        #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
        #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, -0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
        plt.grid()
        plt.xlabel('$Frequency\;\; [Hz]$', FontSize = 16)

```

```

plt.ylabel('$20\log\;|H(f)|\;[dB]$', FontSize = 16)
matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
#plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
#plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
plt.title(f'$FIR\;\{msg\}\; Pass\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = \{Params.filter\_order\}$')
plt.xlim(0,Params.Fs//2)
#plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

```

```

def display_phase(self, H):

```

```

    plt.figure()
    plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, np.unwrap(np.angle(H)), 'k', lw = 3)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, -0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    plt.grid()
    plt.xlabel('$Frequency\;\; [Hz]$', FontSize = 16)
    plt.ylabel('$Phase\;\; [rad]$', FontSize = 16)
    matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
    matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
    #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
    #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
    plt.title(f'$FIR\;\{self.msg\}\; Pass\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = \{Params.filter\_order\}$')
    plt.xlim(0,Params.Fs//2)
    #plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.show()

```

```

if __name__ == '__main__':

```

```

    msg = 'Low'
    Params()
    opt = Opt()
    h = opt._run()
    h, H = Filter.impulse_response(h)

    Display(H, h, msg)

```

Fig. 1 illustrates the result of the code for the LPF design.

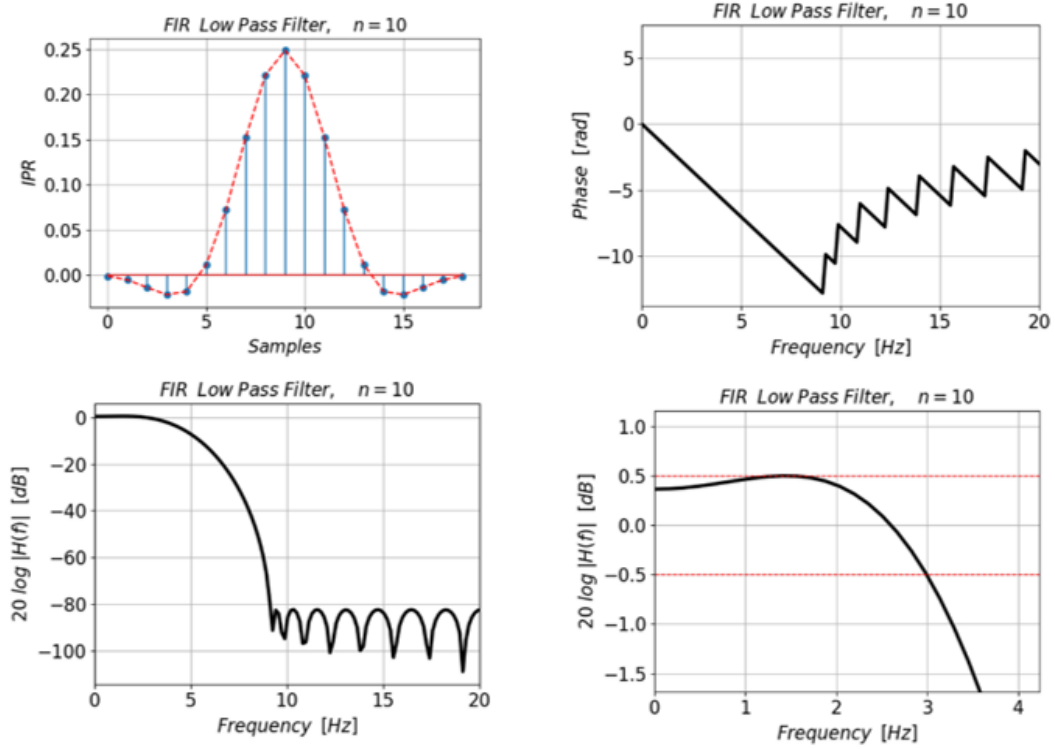


Fig. 1. The result for the LPF design.

B. Band Pass Filter

The Band Pass Filter (BPF) design is performed based on the following min-max optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_{\mathbf{h}} \quad & \max |\mathbf{H}(\omega_i)| \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{1}{\delta_1} \leq \mathbf{H}(\omega_k) \leq \delta_1, \quad \omega_{p1} \leq \omega_k \leq \omega_{p2}, \\
 & 0 \leq \omega_i \leq \omega_{s1} \cup \omega_{s2} \leq \omega_i \leq \pi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

The code for the filter design is given as follows.

```
# Band pass filter

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import sys
import cvxpy as cp
import matplotlib
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

```
#!/matplotlib qt
```

```
class Params:
```

```
    N = 256
```

```

Fs = 40
fp1 = 4/Fs
fp2 = 7/Fs
fs1 = 2/Fs
fs2 = 9/Fs
filter_order = 10
delta = 0.5
freq = np.linspace(0,1,N)
def __init__(self):

    pass

```

```

class Opt(Params):

```

```

    def __init__(self):

        super(Opt, self).__init__()
        self.utils()

    def utils(self):

        A = 2*np.cos(2*np.pi*Params.freq.reshape(-1,1)*np.arange(0,Params.filter_order))
        index_p = np.where(((Params.fp1<Params.freq) & (Params.freq<Params.fp2)))[0].tolist()
        index_s1 = np.where(((0<Params.freq) & (Params.freq<Params.fs1)))[0].tolist()
        index_s2 = np.where(((Params.fs2<Params.freq) & (Params.freq<1/2.)))[0].tolist()
        index_s = np.hstack((index_s1, index_s2))
        A[:,0] = 1
        self.Ap = A[index_p,:]
        self.As = A[index_s,:]

    def _cost(self, hp):

        cost = cp.max(cp.abs(self.As@hp))
        return cost

    def _constr(self, hp):

        constr = []
        constr += [10**(-Params.delta/20) <= self.Ap @ hp]
        constr += [self.Ap @ hp <= 10**(Params.delta/20)]

        return constr

    def _run(self):

        hp = cp.Variable(Params.filter_order)
        prob = cp.Problem(cp.Minimize(self._cost(hp)), self._constr(hp))
        prob.solve()

        return hp.value

```

```

class Filter(Params):

```

```

def __init__(self):
    pass

@staticmethod
def impulse_response(h):

    h = np.hstack((h[:0:-1], h))

    return Filter.frequency_response(h)

def frequency_response(h):

    H = np.fft.fft(h, Params.N)

    return h, H

```

```

class Display:

```

```

    def __init__(self, H, h, msg):

        self.msg = msg
        self.display_IPR(h)
        self.display_IPR_H(H)
        self.display_phase(H)

    def display_IPR(self, h):

        plt.figure()
        plt.stem(h)
        plt.plot(h, 'r--')
        plt.grid()
        plt.xlabel('$Samples$', FontSize = 16)
        plt.ylabel('$IPR$', FontSize = 16)
        matplotlib.rcParams['font', size=16]
        matplotlib.rcParams['axes', titlesize = 16]
        #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
        #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
        plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{msg}\;\;Pass\;\;Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
        #plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
        plt.tight_layout()
        plt.show()

    def display_IPR_H(self, H):

        H = abs(H)
        plt.figure()
        plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 20*np.log10(H), 'k', lw = 3)
        #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
        #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, -0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
        plt.grid()
        plt.xlabel('$Frequency\;\; [Hz]$', FontSize = 16)
        plt.ylabel('$20\log\;|H(f)|\;\; [dB]$', FontSize = 16)
        matplotlib.rcParams['font', size=16]
        matplotlib.rcParams['axes', titlesize = 16]
        #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
        #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
        plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{msg}\;\;Pass\;\;Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
        plt.xlim(0, Params.Fs//2)
        #plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')

```

```

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

def display_phase(self, H):

    plt.figure()
    plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, np.unwrap(np.angle(H)), 'k', lw = 3)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, -0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    plt.grid()
    plt.xlabel('$Frequency\;\; [Hz]$', FontSize = 16)
    plt.ylabel('$Phase\;\; [rad]$', FontSize = 16)
    matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
    matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
    #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
    #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
    plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{self.msg}\;\; Pass\;\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
    plt.xlim(0,Params.Fs//2)
    #plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.show()

if __name__ == '__main__':

    msg = 'Band'
    Params()
    opt = Opt()
    h = opt._run()
    h, H = Filter.impulse_response(h)

    Display(H, h, msg)

```

Fig. 2 shows the result of the code for the BPF design.

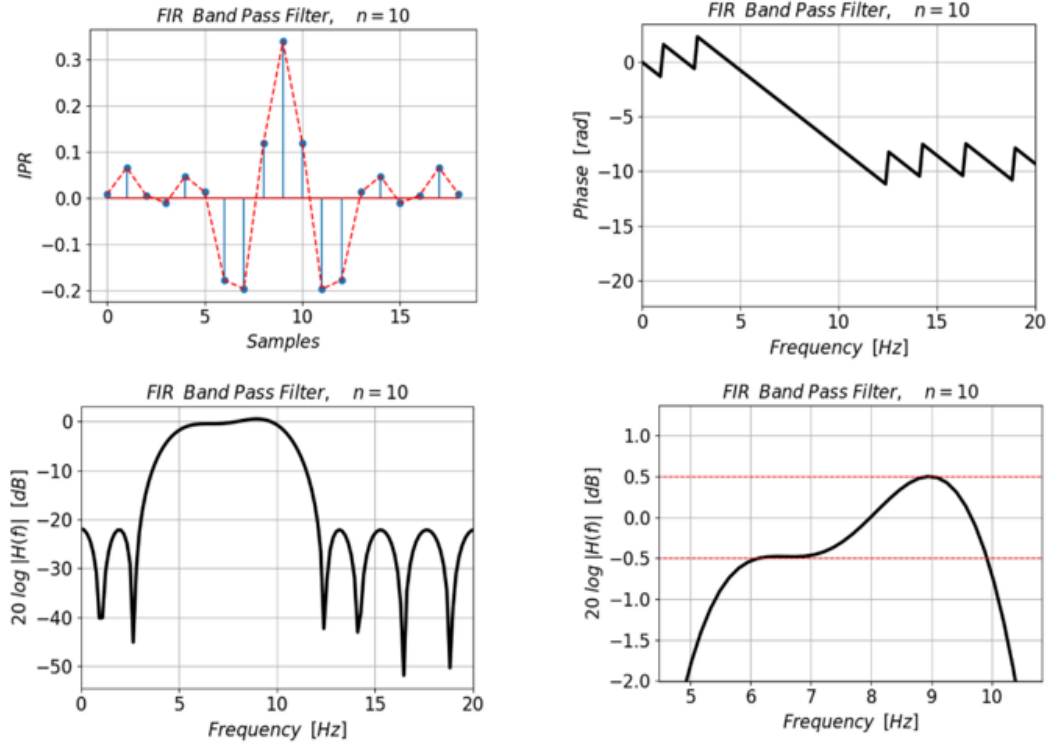


Fig. 2. The result for the BPF design.

C. Band Stop Filter

The Band Stop Filter (BSF) design is performed based on the following min-max optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_{\mathbf{h}} \quad & \max |\mathbf{H}(\omega_i)| \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{1}{\delta_1} \leq \mathbf{H}(\omega_k) \leq \delta_1, \quad 0 \leq \omega_k \leq \omega_{s1} \cup \omega_{s2} \leq \omega_k \leq \pi, \\
 & \omega_{p1} \leq \omega_i \leq \omega_{p2}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

The code for the filter design is given as follows.

```

# Band stop filter

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import sys
import cvxpy as cp
import matplotlib
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

#%matplotlib qt

class Params:

```

```

N = 256
Fs = 40
fs1 = 4/Fs
fs2 = 7/Fs
fp1 = 2/Fs
fp2 = 9/Fs
filter_order = 15
delta = 0.5
freq = np.linspace(0,1,N)
def __init__(self):

    pass

```

```

class Opt(Params):

    def __init__(self):

        super(Opt, self).__init__()
        self.utils()

    def utils(self):

        A = 2*np.cos(2*np.pi*Params.freq.reshape(-1,1)*np.arange(0,Params.filter_order))
        index_s = np.where(((Params.fs1<Params.freq) & (Params.freq<Params.fs2)))[0].tolist()
        index_p1 = np.where(((0<Params.freq) & (Params.freq<Params.fp1)))[0].tolist()
        index_p2 = np.where(((Params.fp2<Params.freq) & (Params.freq<1/2.)))[0].tolist()
        index_p = np.hstack((index_p1, index_p2))
        A[:,0] = 1
        self.Ap = A[index_p,:]
        self.As = A[index_s,:]

    def _cost(self, hp):

        cost = cp.max(cp.abs(self.As@hp))
        return cost

    def _constr(self, hp):

        constr = []
        constr += [10**(-Params.delta/20) <= self.Ap @ hp]
        constr += [self.Ap @ hp <= 10**(Params.delta/20)]

        return constr

    def _run(self):

        hp = cp.Variable(Params.filter_order)
        prob = cp.Problem(cp.Minimize(self._cost(hp)), self._constr(hp))
        prob.solve()

        return hp.value

```

```

class Filter(Params):

```

```

def __init__(self):
    pass

@staticmethod
def impulse_response(h):

    h = np.hstack((h[:0:-1], h))

    return Filter.frequency_response(h)

def frequency_response(h):

    H = np.fft.fft(h, Params.N)

    return h, H

```

```
class Display:
```

```

def __init__(self, H, h, msg):

    self.msg = msg
    self.display_IPR(h)
    self.display_IPR_H(H)
    self.display_phase(H)

def display_IPR(self, h):

    plt.figure()
    plt.stem(h)
    plt.plot(h, 'r--')
    plt.grid()
    plt.xlabel('$Samples$', fontsize = 16)
    plt.ylabel('$IPR$', fontsize = 16)
    matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
    matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
    #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
    #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
    plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{msg}\; Pass\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
    #plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.show()

def display_IPR_H(self, H):

    H = abs(H)
    plt.figure()
    plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 20*np.log10(H), 'k', lw = 3)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, -0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    plt.grid()
    plt.xlabel('$Frequency\;\; [Hz]$', fontsize = 16)
    plt.ylabel('$20\log\; |H(f)|\;\; [dB]$', fontsize = 16)
    matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
    matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
    #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
    #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
    plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{msg}\; Pass\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
    plt.xlim(0, Params.Fs//2)

```

```

plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

def display_phase(self, H):

    plt.figure()
    plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, np.unwrap(np.angle(H)), 'k', lw = 3)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, -0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    plt.grid()
    plt.xlabel('$Frequency\;\; [Hz]$', fontsize = 16)
    plt.ylabel('$Phase\;\; [rad]$', fontsize = 16)
    matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
    matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
    #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
    #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
    plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{self.msg}\;\; Pass\;\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
    plt.xlim(0,Params.Fs//2)
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.show()

if __name__ == '__main__':

    msg = 'Band-Stop'
    Params()
    opt = Opt()
    h = opt._run()
    h, H = Filter.impulse_response(h)

    Display(H, h, msg)

```

Fig. 3 shows the result of the code for the BSF design.

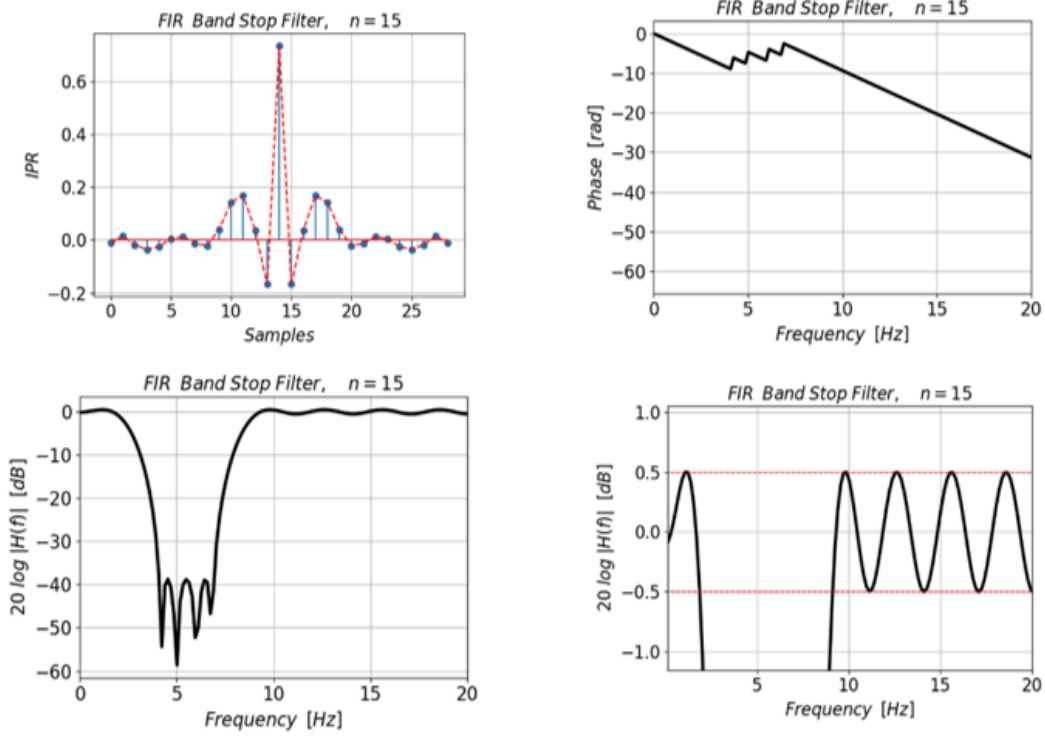


Fig. 3. The result for the BSF design.

D. High Pass Filter

The Low Pass Filter (LPF) design is performed based on the following min-max optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_{\mathbf{h}} \quad & \max |\mathbf{H}(\omega_i)| \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{1}{\delta_1} \leq \mathbf{H}(\omega_k) \leq \delta_1, \quad \omega_p \leq \omega_k \leq \pi, \\
 & 0 \leq \omega_i \leq \omega_s.
 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

The code for the filter design has been given as follows.

```
# High pass filter

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import sys
import cvxpy as cp
import matplotlib
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

```
#!/matplotlib qt
```

```
class Params:
```

```
    N = 256
```

```

Fs = 40
fp = 15/Fs

fs = 12/Fs
filter_order = 10
delta = 0.5
freq = np.linspace(0,1,N)
def __init__(self):

    pass

```

```

class Opt(Params):

    def __init__(self):

        super(Opt, self).__init__()
        self.utils()

    def utils(self):

        A = 2*np.cos(2*np.pi*Params.freq.reshape(-1,1)*np.arange(0,Params.filter_order))

        index_s = np.where(((0<Params.freq) & (Params.freq<Params.fs)))[0].tolist()
        index_p = np.where(((Params.fp<Params.freq) & (Params.freq<1/2.)))[0].tolist()

        A[:,0] = 1
        self.Ap = A[index_p,:]
        self.As = A[index_s,:]

    def _cost(self, hp):

        cost = cp.max(cp.abs(self.As@hp))
        return cost

    def _constr(self, hp):

        constr = []
        constr += [10**(-Params.delta/20) <= self.Ap @ hp]
        constr += [self.Ap @ hp <= 10**(Params.delta/20)]

        return constr

    def _run(self):

        hp = cp.Variable(Params.filter_order)
        prob = cp.Problem(cp.Minimize(self._cost(hp)), self._constr(hp))
        prob.solve()

        return hp.value

class Filter(Params):

    def __init__(self):

```

```
pass
```

```
@staticmethod
```

```
def impulse_response(h):
```

```
    h = np.hstack((h[:0:-1], h))
```

```
    return Filter.frequency_response(h)
```

```
def frequency_response(h):
```

```
    H = np.fft.fft(h, Params.N)
```

```
    return h, H
```

```
class Display:
```

```
    def __init__(self, H, h, msg):
```

```
        self.msg = msg
```

```
        self.display_IPR(h)
```

```
        self.display_IPR_H(H)
```

```
        self.display_phase(H)
```

```
    def display_IPR(self, h):
```

```
        plt.figure()
```

```
        plt.stem(h)
```

```
        plt.plot(h, 'r--')
```

```
        plt.grid()
```

```
        plt.xlabel('$Samples$', fontsize = 16)
```

```
        plt.ylabel('$IPR$', fontsize = 16)
```

```
        matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
```

```
        matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
```

```
        #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
```

```
        #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
```

```
        plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{msg}\;\; Pass\;\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
```

```
        #plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
```

```
        plt.tight_layout()
```

```
        plt.show()
```

```
    def display_IPR_H(self, H):
```

```
        H = abs(H)
```

```
        plt.figure()
```

```
        plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 20*np.log10(H), 'k', lw = 3)
```

```
        #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
```

```
        #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, -0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
```

```
        plt.grid()
```

```
        plt.xlabel('$Frequency\;\; [Hz]$', fontsize = 16)
```

```
        plt.ylabel('$20\log\;|H(f)|\;\; [dB]$', fontsize = 16)
```

```
        matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
```

```
        matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
```

```
        #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
```

```
        #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
```

```
        plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{msg}\;\; Pass\;\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
```

```
        plt.xlim(0, Params.Fs//2)
```

```
        #plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
```

```

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

def display_phase(self, H):

    plt.figure()
    plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, np.unwrap(np.angle(H)), 'k', lw = 3)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, 0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    #plt.plot(Params.freq*Params.Fs, -0.5*np.ones(len(H)), 'r--', lw = 1)
    plt.grid()
    plt.xlabel('$Frequency\;\; [Hz]$', fontsize = 16)
    plt.ylabel('$Phase\;\; [rad]$', fontsize = 16)
    matplotlib.rc('font', size=16)
    matplotlib.rc('axes', titlesize = 16)
    #plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
    #plt.rcParams['savefig.dpi'] = 300
    plt.title(f'$FIR\;\;{self.msg}\;\; Pass\;\; Filter, \;\;\;\; n = {Params.filter_order}$')
    plt.xlim(0,Params.Fs//2)
    #plt.savefig('FIR_LPF.png')
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.show()

if __name__ == '__main__':

    msg = 'High'
    Params()
    opt = Opt()
    h = opt._run()
    h, H = Filter.impulse_response(h)

    Display(H, h, msg)

```

Fig. 4 shows the result of the code for the HPF design.

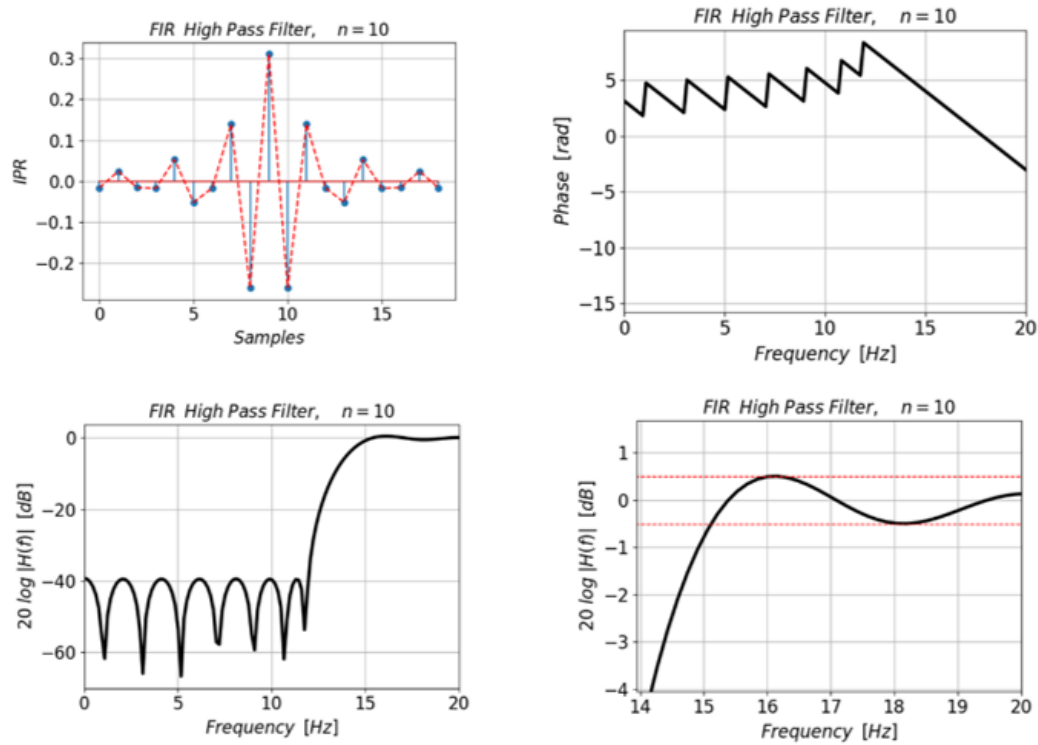


Fig. 4. The result for the HPF design.



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