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Multirate signal processing

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Lecture in course book*

- Proakis, Manolakis Digital Signal Processing, 4th Ed.
 - 11.1 Introduction
 - 11.2 Decimation by a factor D
 - 11.3 Interpolation by a factor I
 - 11.4 Sampling rate conversion by a rational factor I/D
 - 11.6 Multistage implementation of sampling rate conversion

A compressed overview of topics treated in the lecture, see
“[Flerhastighetssystemer](#)” on Blackboard

*Level of detail is defined by lectures and problem sets

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Contents and learning outcomes

- Multirate signal processing and sampling rate conversion
- Decimation by a factor D
- Interpolation by a factor I
- Rate conversion with a rational factor
- Multistage implementations

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Multirate processing and rate conversion

- A multirate system is a digital system that operates on two or more sampling frequencies (or rates)
 - Interface between systems of different rates
 - Efficient realizations of filter banks
 - Efficient realization of filters with sharp transition bands
 - Oversampled A/D- and D/A-converters

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Multirate processing and rate conversion

- Two approaches to change sampling rate of a discrete-time signal

1. Reconstruct analog signal and resample at different rate

Original discrete signal: $x[n] = x_a(nT_1)$

Reconstructed analog signal:

$$x_a(t) = \sum_n x_a(nT_1) \frac{\sin[\pi(t-nT_1)/T_1]}{[\pi(t-nT_1)/T_1]}$$

Resampled analog signal:

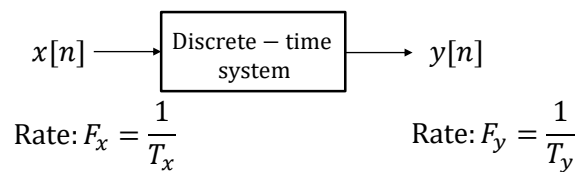
$$x_a(kT_2) = \sum_n x_a(nT_1) \frac{\sin[\pi(kT_2-nT_1)/T_1]}{[\pi(kT_2-nT_1)/T_1]}$$

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Multirate processing and rate conversion

2. Directly in digital domain:



- Avoids distortion due to non-ideal A/D- and D/A-conversion

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Multirate processing and rate conversion

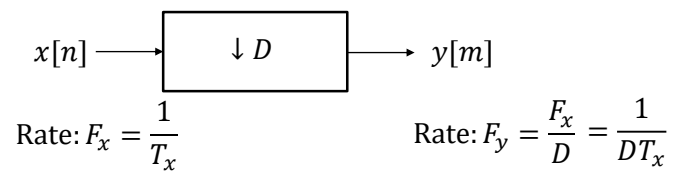
- Systems that change sampling rate
- System operating at different sampling rates
- Interpolation – increasing sampling rate
- Decimation – decreasing sampling rate

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Decimation by a factor D

- Decimation – decreasing sampling rate
- Downsampling of highrate signal $x[n]$ into lowrate signal $y[m]$



- Downsampled signal is obtained by selecting one out of D samples $x[n]$ and throwing away the other $(D - 1)$ samples

$$y[m] = x[n]|_{n=mD} = x[mD], \quad n, m, D \in \{\text{integers}\}$$

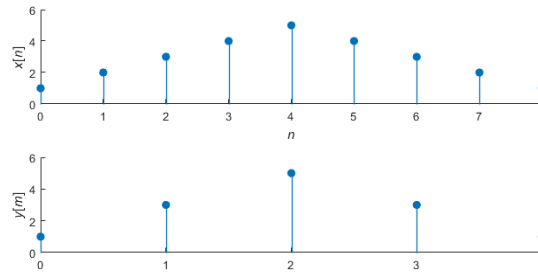
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Decimation by a factor D ...

- Example: Using $D = 2$ and $x[n] = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1\}$

$$y[m] = x[mD] = \{1, 3, 5, 3, 1\}$$



Matlab

```
x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1];
y = downsample(x, 2);
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Decimation by a factor D ...

- What happens in frequency domain?
- Relate the spectrum of downsampled signal $Y(f)$ to original spectrum $X(f)$

$$X(f) = F_x \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_a([f - k]F_x) \text{ (Lecture 10)}$$

- I want to have the following spectrum

$$\begin{aligned} Y(f) &= F_y \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_a([f - k]F_y) \\ &= \frac{F_x}{D} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_a\left(\left[\frac{f}{D} - \frac{k}{D}\right]F_x\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{D} \sum_{i=0}^{D-1} F_x \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_a\left(\left[\frac{f}{D} - \frac{(i+kD)}{D}\right]F_x\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{D} \sum_{i=0}^{D-1} X\left(\frac{f}{D} - \frac{i}{D}\right) \end{aligned}$$

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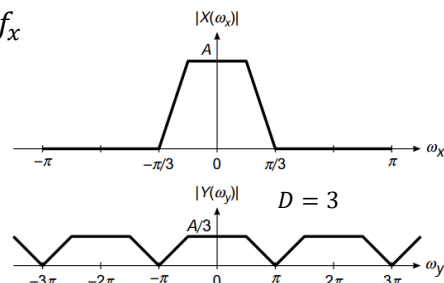
Decimation by a factor D ...

- Spectrum of downsampled signal $Y(f)$ related to the original spectrum $X(f)$ by D scaled and shifted copies

$$Y(f) = \frac{1}{D} \sum_{i=0}^{D-1} X\left(\frac{f}{D} - \frac{i}{D}\right)$$

- Normalized frequency variables are related as

$$f_y = \frac{F}{F_y} = \frac{F}{F_x/D} = D f_x$$



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Decimation by a factor D ...

- Must avoid that downsampling causes aliasing
 - Bandlimit the original signal related to $x[n]$ to $F_{x,\max} = F_x/2D$
1. Lowpass-filter signal with

$$H_D(f_x) = \begin{cases} 1, & |f_x| \leq 1/2D \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x[k] h_D[n - k]$$

2. Decimation by a factor D

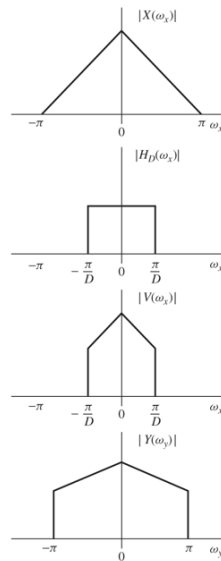
$$y[m] = v[Dm] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x[k] h_D[Dm - k]$$

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Decimation by a factor D ...

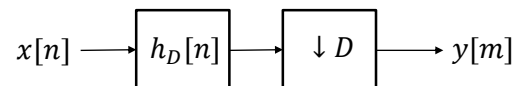
- Example:



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Decimation by a factor D ...



- Filtering-view of decimation

$$y[m] = v[Dm] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x[k] h_D[Dm - k]$$

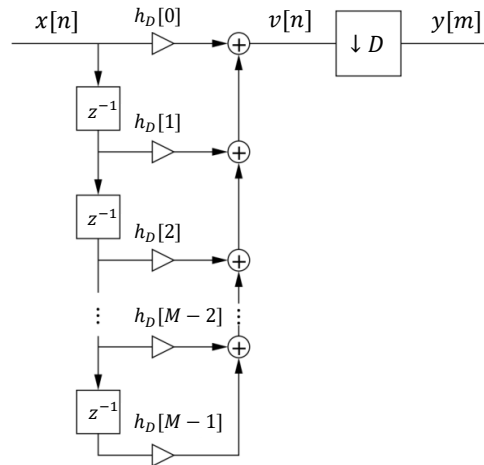
- The whole decimation process can be performed directly on $x[n]$
- Note that D new values of $x[n]$ are used for each output $y[m]$

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Decimation by a factor D ...

- Direct-form realization



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Decimation by a factor D ...

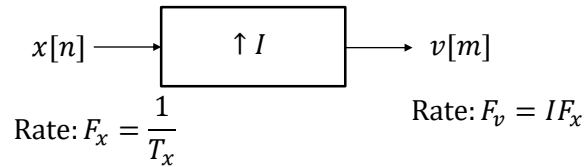
- Some practical issues
 - Information is lost during decimation and filtering
 - Tradeoffs between efficiency (computational complexity) and information content
 - Tradeoff between bitrate and information content

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Interpolation by a factor I

- Interpolation – increasing sampling rate
 - Interpolate $(I - 1)$ new samples between successive samples
- Upsample $x[n]$ into sequence $v[m]$



- $v[m]$ obtained by adding $(I - 1)$ zeros between samples of $x[n]$

$$v[m] = \begin{cases} x\left[\frac{m}{I}\right], & m = 0, \pm I, \pm 2I, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

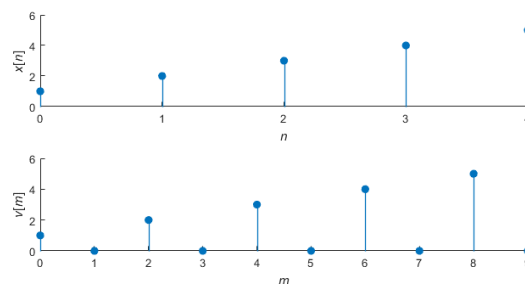
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Interpolation by a factor $I \dots$

- Example: Using $I = 2$ and $x[n] = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$$v[m] = \{1, 0, 2, 0, 3, 0, 4, 0, 5\}$$



Matlab

```
x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];  
y = upsample(x, 2);
```

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Interpolation by a factor I ...

- Given $x[n] = x_a(nT_x)$ and $v[m]$: how to obtain $y[m] = x_a(mT_y)$?
- In frequency domain, we have the relation

$$\begin{aligned} V(\omega) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} v[n] e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-j\omega n I} \\ &= X(\omega I) \end{aligned}$$

- Thus we just need to pass $v[n]$ through a lowpass filter

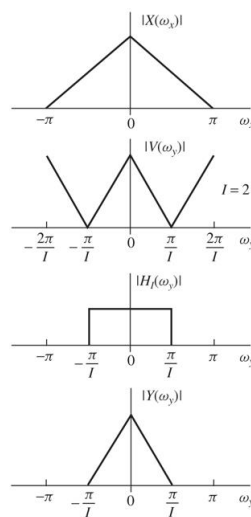
$$H_I(f_y) = \begin{cases} C, & |f_y| \leq 1/2I \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $C = I$ so that $y[m] = x\left[\frac{m}{I}\right], m = 0, \pm I, \pm 2I, \dots$

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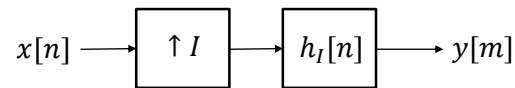
Interpolation by a factor I ...



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Interpolation by a factor I ...



- Filtering view of interpolation

$$y[m] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x[k] h_I[m - kI]$$

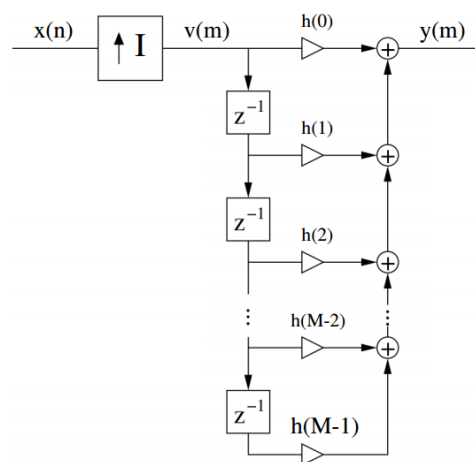
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Interpolation by a factor I ...

- Direct-form realization

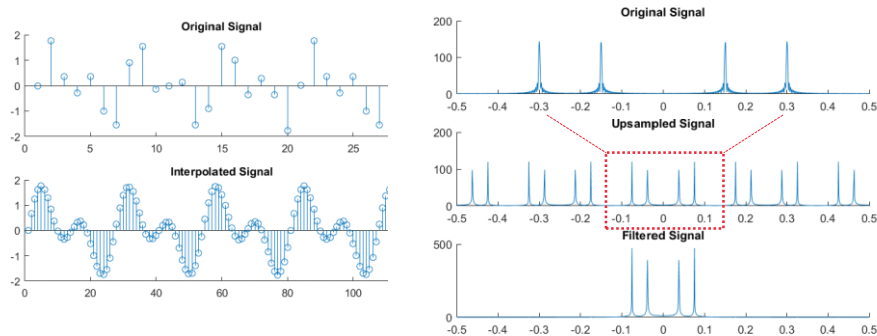


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Interpolation by a factor $I...$

- Example: Signal $x(t) = \sin(2\pi \cdot 30t) + \sin(2\pi \cdot 60t)$ is sampled at $F_s = 200$ Hz resulting in $x[n]$. Interpolate sequence $x[n]$ to obtain $x_a(n/800)$



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Interpolation by a factor $I...$

Matlab

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t = 0:0.001:.029; Nfft = 1024;

x = sin(2*pi*30*t) + sin(2*pi*60*t);
y = interp(x,4);
subplot(211); stem(x);
subplot(212); stem(y);

K = (-Nfft/2:Nfft/2-1)/Nfft;
X = fftshift(fft(x,Nfft));
V = fftshift(fft(upsample(x,4),Nfft));
Y = fftshift(fft(y,Nfft));

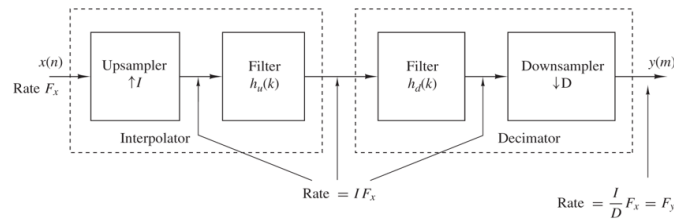
figure,
subplot(311), plot(K,abs(X)),
title('Original Signal');
subplot(312), plot(K,abs(V)),
title('Upsampled Signal');
subplot(313), plot(K,abs(Y)),
title('Filtered Signal');
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Rate conversion by a rational factor

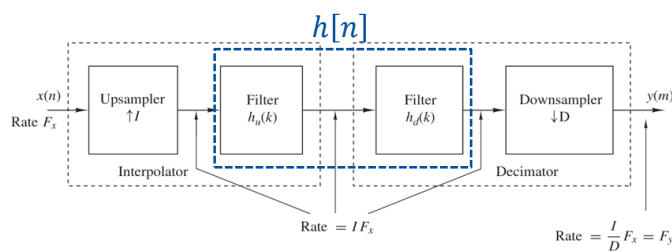
- Treated special cases:
 - Decimation (downsampling) by a factor D
 - Interpolation (upsampling) by a factor I
- What if we would like to change the rate from 48kHz to 32kHz?
- Combine interpolation and decimation



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Rate conversion by a rational factor...



- Frequency response of the combined filter $h[n]$

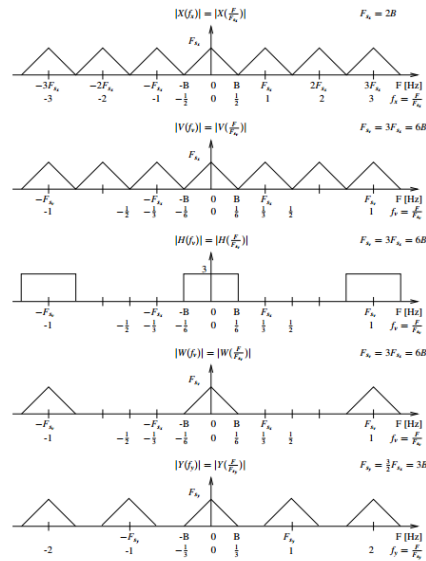
$$H(f_v) = \begin{cases} I, & |f_v| \leq \frac{1}{2 \max(I, D)} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Rate conversion by a rational factor...

- Rate conversion:
 $I/D = 3/2$

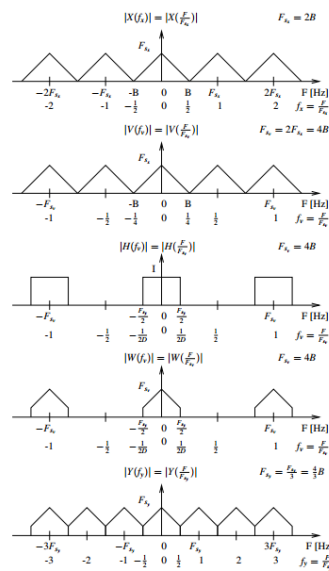


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Rate conversion by a rational factor...

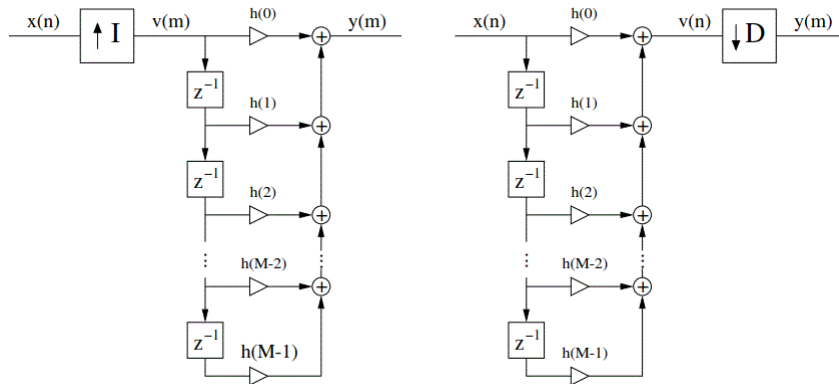
- Rate conversion:
 $I/D = 2/3$



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Efficient implementation structures

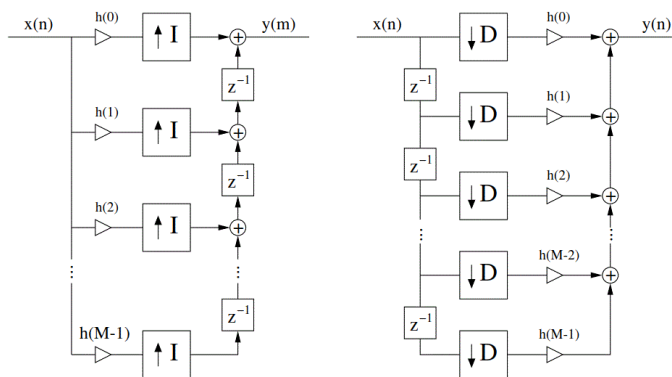


- Interpolation filter: only every I th sample non-zero
- Decimation filter: only every D th sample used

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Efficient implementation structures...



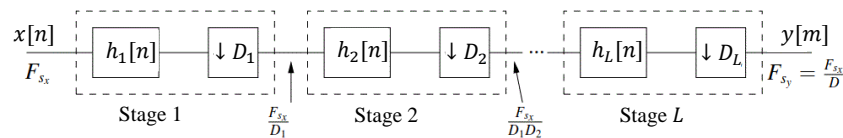
- Interpolation filter: multiplications with non-zero samples only
- Decimation filter: multiplications with used samples only

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Multistage implementation

- Large interpolation- or decimation factors give stringent filter specification
- Can be avoided by using multistage implementation
- Example: Decimation with $D = D_1 \cdot D_2 \cdots D_L$ implemented as



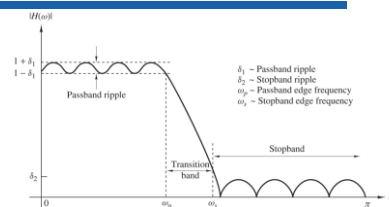
- Filter length can be reduced due to relaxed requirements on the width of transition region
- Note that passband ripple must be reduced by a factor of L

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Multistage implementation...

- Subband coding
 - Filterbank of BP filters
 - Critical sampling in each band
- Audioband signal at $F_s = 8000$ Hz
- Isolate frequency components below 80 Hz with a filter that has passband, 0 – 75 Hz
 - $f_p = 75/8000, f_s = 80/8000$
- Ripple specification: $\delta_1 = 10^{-2}, \delta_2 = 10^{-4}$
- Filter order (firpm): 5022
 - $\Rightarrow 5022 \cdot 8000 \approx 40.176 \cdot 10^6$ mult/sample
- Instead use two-stage decimation: $D_1 = 25$ and $D_2 = 2$



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Multistage implementation...

Requirements for two-stage implementation

- Stage 1: $F_s = 8000/25 = 320$ Hz
 - $f_{p1} = 75/8000$ Hz
 - $f_{p2} = (320 - 80)/320$ Hz (allow aliasing in band that will be filtered away)
 - $\delta_{11} = \frac{\delta_1}{2} = 0.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$, $\delta_{21} = 10^{-4}$
 - Filter order (firpm): 164
- Stage 2: $F_s = 320/2 = 160$ Hz
 - $f_{p1} = 75/320$ Hz, $f_{p2} = 80/320$ Hz
 - $\delta_{11} = \frac{\delta_1}{2} = 0.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$, $\delta_{21} = 10^{-4}$
 - Filter order (firpm): 216

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Multistage implementation...

- Total amount of multiplications

$$164 \cdot 8000 + 216 \cdot 320 = 1.381 \cdot 10^6 \text{ mult/s}$$

\Rightarrow Less than 4% of the full rate-solution

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Summary

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 - Multirate
- Next:
 - Summary
 - Exam

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