Polyphase Decomposition

The Decomposition

• Consider an arbitrary sequence $\{x[n]\}$ with a z-transform X(z) given by

$$X(z) = \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} x[n] z^{-n}$$

• We can rewrite X(z) as

$$X(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} z^{-k} X_k(z^M)$$

where

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$$X_k(z) = \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} x_k[n] z^{-n} = \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} x[Mn + k] z^{-n}$$

$$0 \le k \le M - 1$$

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Polyphase Decomposition

- The subsequences x_k[n]} are called the polyphase components of the parent sequence {x[n]}
- The functions $X_k(z)$, given by the z-transforms of $x_k[n]$ }, are called the *polyphase components* of X(z)

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Polyphase Decomposition

• The relation between the subsequences $x_k[n]$ } and the original sequence $\{x[n]\}$ are given by

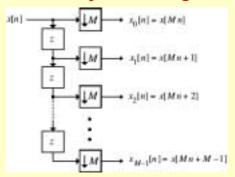
$$x_k[n] = x[Mn+k], \quad 0 \le k \le M-1$$

• In matrix form we can write

$$X(z) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & z^{-1} & \cdots & z^{-(M-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_0(z^M) \\ X_1(z^M) \\ \vdots \\ X_{M-1}(z^M) \end{bmatrix}$$
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Polyphase Decomposition

• A multirate structural interpretation of the polyphase decomposition is given below



Polyphase Decomposition

- The *polyphase decomposition of an FIR transfer function* can be carried out by inspection
- For example, consider a length-9 FIR transfer function:

$$H(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{8} h[n] z^{-n}$$

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Polyphase Decomposition

• Its 4-branch polyphase decomposition is given by

$$H(z) = E_0(z^4) + z^{-1}E_1(z^4) + z^{-2}E_2(z^4) + z^{-3}E_3(z^4)$$

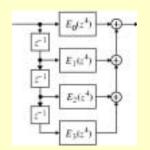
where

$$E_0(z) = h[0] + h[4]z^{-1} + h[8]z^{-2}$$

$$E_1(z) = h[1] + h[5]z^{-1}$$

$$E_2(z) = h[2] + h[6]z^{-1}$$

$$E_3(z) = h[3] + h[7]z^{-1}$$



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Polyphase Decomposition

- The *polyphase decomposition of an IIR* $transfer\ function\ H(z) = P(z)/D(z)$ is not that straightforward
- One way to arrive at an M-branch polyphase decomposition of H(z) is to express it in the form $P'(z)/D'(z^M)$ by multiplying P(z) and D(z) with an appropriately chosen polynomial and then apply an M-branch polyphase decomposition to P'(z)

Polyphase Decomposition

- Example Consider $H(z) = \frac{1 2z^{-1}}{1 + 3z^{-1}}$
- To obtain a 2-band polyphase decomposition we rewrite H(z) as

$$H(z) = \frac{(1-2z^{-1})(1-3z^{-1})}{(1+3z^{-1})(1-3z^{-1})} = \frac{1-5z^{-1}+6z^{-2}}{1-9z^{-2}} = \frac{1+6z^{-2}}{1-9z^{-2}} + \frac{-5z^{-1}}{1-9z^{-2}}$$

• Therefore,

$$H(z) = E_0(z^2) + z^{-1}E_1(z^2)$$

where

$$E_0(z) = \frac{1+6z^{-1}}{1-9z^{-1}}, \quad E_1(z) = \frac{-5}{1-9z^{-1}}$$

Polyphase Decomposition

- Note: The above approach increases the overall order and complexity of H(z)
- However, when used in certain multirate structures, the approach may result in a more computationally efficient structure
- An alternative more attractive approach is discussed in the following example

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Polyphase Decomposition

• **Example** - Consider the transfer function of a 5-th order Butterworth lowpass filter with a 3-dB cutoff frequency at 0.5π :

$$H(z) = \frac{0.0527864 (1 + z^{-1})^5}{1 + 0.633436854 z^{-2} + 0.0557281 z^{-4}}$$

• It is easy to show that H(z) can be expressed as

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{0.105573 + z^{-2}}{1 + 0.105573 z^{-2}} \right) + z^{-1} \left(\frac{0.52786 + z^{-2}}{1 + 0.52786 z^{-2}} \right) \right]$$

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Polyphase Decomposition

• Therefore H(z) can be expressed as

$$H(z) = E_0(z^2) + z^{-1}E_1(z^2)$$

where

$$E_0(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{0.105573 + z^{-1}}{1 + 0.105573 z^{-1}} \right)$$

$$E_1(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{0.52786 + z^{-1}}{1 + 0.52786 z^{-1}} \right)$$

Polyphase Decomposition

- Note: In the above polyphase decomposition, branch transfer functions $E_i(z)$ are *stable allpass functions*
- Moreover, the decomposition has not increased the order of the overall transfer function *H*(*z*)

FIR Filter Structures Based on Polyphase Decomposition

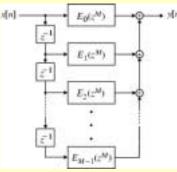
- We shall demonstrate later that a parallel realization of an FIR transfer function H(z) based on the polyphase decomposition can often result in computationally efficient multirate structures
- Consider the *M*-branch *Type I polyphase decomposition* of *H*(*z*):

$$H(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} z^{-k} E_k(z^M)$$

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FIR Filter Structures Based on Polyphase Decomposition

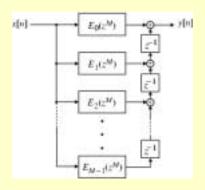
A direct realization of *H*(*z*) based on the *Type I polyphase decomposition* is shown below



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FIR Filter Structures Based on Polyphase Decomposition

• The transpose of the Type I polyphase FIR filter structure is indicated below



FIR Filter Structures Based on Polyphase Decomposition

• An alternative representation of the transpose structure shown on the previous slide is obtained using the notation

$$R_{\ell}(z^M) = E_{M-1-\ell}(z^M), \qquad 0 \le \ell \le M-1$$

• Substituting the above notation in the Type I polyphase decomposition we arrive at the *Type II polyphase decomposition*:

$$H(z) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{M-1} z^{-(M-1-\ell)} R_{\ell}(z^{M})$$

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FIR Filter Structures Based on Polyphase Decomposition

• A direct realization of H(z) based on the *Type II polyphase decomposition* is shown below

 $R_{0}(z^{M})$ $R_{1}(z^{M})$ $R_{2}(z^{M})$ $R_{2}(z^{M})$ $R_{3}(z^{M})$ $R_{3}(z^{M})$

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Computationally Efficient Decimators

• Consider first the single-stage factor-of-*M* decimator structure shown below

$$x[n] \rightarrow H(z) \qquad v[n] \downarrow M \rightarrow y[n]$$

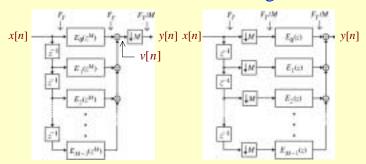
 We realize the lowpass filter H(z) using the Type I polyphase structure as shown on the next slide

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Computationally Efficient Decimators

• Using the *cascade equivalence #1* we arrive at the computationally efficient decimator structure shown below on the right



Decimator structure based on Type I polyphase decomposition

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Computationally Efficient Decimators

- To illustrate the computational efficiency of the modified decimator structure, assume H(z) to be a length-N structure and the input sampling period to be T = 1
- Now the decimator output y[n] in the original structure is obtained by down-sampling the filter output v[n] by a factor of M

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Computationally Efficient **Decimators**

- It is thus necessary to compute v[n] at n = ..., -2M, -M, 0, M, 2M, ...
- Computational requirements are therefore N multiplications and (N-1) additions per output sample being computed
- However, as *n* increases, stored signals in the delay registers change

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Computationally Efficient **Decimators**

- Hence, all computations need to be completed in one sampling period, and for the following (M-1) sampling periods the arithmetic units remain idle
- The modified decimator structure also requires N multiplications and (N-1)additions per output sample being computed

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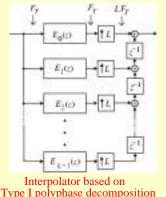
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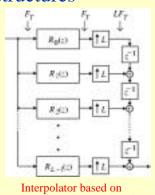
Computationally Efficient **Decimators and Interpolators**

- However, here the arithmetic units are operative at all instants of the output sampling period which is *M* times that of the input sampling period
- Similar savings are also obtained in the case of the interpolator structure developed using the polyphase decomposition

Computationally Efficient Interpolators

• Figures below show the computationally efficient interpolator structures





Type II polyphase decomposition

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Computationally Efficient Decimators and Interpolators

- More efficient interpolator and decimator structures can be realized by exploiting the symmetry of filter coefficients in the case of linear-phase filters H(z)
- Consider for example the realization of a factor-of-3 (*M* = 3) decimator using a length-12 Type 1 linear-phase FIR lowpass filter

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Computationally Efficient Decimators and Interpolators

• The corresponding transfer function is $H(z) = h[0] + h[1]z^{-1} + h[2]z^{-2} + h[3]z^{-3} + h[4]z^{-4} + h[5]z^{-5} + h[5]z^{-6} + h[4]z^{-7} + h[3]z^{-8} + h[2]z^{-9} + h[1]z^{-10} + h[0]z^{-11}$

 A conventional polyphase decomposition of *H*(z) yields the following subfilters:

$$E_0(z) = h[0] + h[3]z^{-1} + h[5]z^{-2} + h[2]z^{-3}$$

$$E_1(z) = h[1] + h[4]z^{-1} + h[4]z^{-2} + h[1]z^{-3}$$

 $E_2(z) = h[2] + h[5]z^{-1} + h[3]z^{-2} + h[0]z^{-3}$

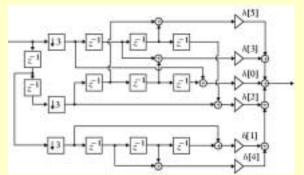
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Computationally Efficient Decimators and Interpolators

- Note that $E_1(z)$ still has a symmetric impulse response, whereas $E_0(z)$ is the mirror image of $E_2(z)$
- These relations can be made use of in developing a computationally efficient realization using only 6 multipliers and 11 two-input adders as shown on the next slide

Computationally Efficient Decimators and Interpolators

 Factor-of-3 decimator with a linear-phase decimation filter



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A Useful Identity

• The cascade multirate structure shown below appears in a number of applications



• Equivalent time-invariant digital filter obtained by expressing H(z) in its L-term Type I polyphase form $\sum_{k=0}^{L-1} z^{-k} E_k(z^L)$ is shown below

$$x[n] \longrightarrow E_0(z) \longrightarrow y[n]$$

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