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Simple FIR and IIR filter design

Exercise 1: FIR filter design (10 points)

The ideal, discrete-time, linear-phase highpass filter with the cut-off frequency $\Omega_c > 0$ and the constant group delay of $\frac{N}{2}$ samples ($N > 0$) can be given as

$$H(\Omega) = \begin{cases} 0 \cdot e^{-j\Omega \frac{N}{2}} & , \quad |\Omega| < \Omega_c \\ 1 \cdot e^{-j\Omega \frac{N}{2}} & , \quad \Omega_c < |\Omega| \leq \pi. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Later a finite length impulse response (FIR) for $0 \leq k \leq N$ will be cut out, thus realising a FIR filter order of N , i.e. the FIR exhibits $N + 1$ coefficients.

- a) Show that the impulse response in general can be given as

$$h[k] = \frac{\sin\left(\pi\left(k - \frac{N}{2}\right)\right)}{\pi\left(k - \frac{N}{2}\right)} - \frac{\sin\left(\Omega_c\left(k - \frac{N}{2}\right)\right)}{\pi\left(k - \frac{N}{2}\right)} \quad (2)$$

for $-\infty \leq k \leq \infty$. **(2.5 points)**

- b) Show that in the special case of even N

$$h[k] = \begin{cases} -\frac{\sin\left(\Omega_c\left(k - \frac{N}{2}\right)\right)}{\pi\left(k - \frac{N}{2}\right)} & , \quad k \neq \frac{N}{2} \\ 1 - \frac{\Omega_c}{\pi} & , \quad k = \frac{N}{2} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

can be derived. **(2.5 points)**

The infinite impulse response shall now be limited to a finite length for $0 \leq k \leq N$, which inevitably degrades the transfer function characteristics of the ideal highpass. The rectangular window

$$w_{\text{RECT}}[k] = \begin{cases} 1 & , \quad 0 \leq k \leq N \\ 0 & , \quad \text{else} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

and the so-called Kaiser-Bessel window (in Matlab: `kaiser(N+1,beta)`)

$$w_{\text{KB}}[k] = \begin{cases} \frac{I_0\left(\beta\left(1-\left(\frac{k-\alpha}{\alpha}\right)^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{I_0(\beta)} & , \quad 0 \leq k \leq N \\ 0 & , \quad \text{else} \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

of length $N + 1$ (i.e. the number of FIR coefficients) shall be used for the filter design. The Kaiser-Bessel function uses $\alpha = \frac{N}{2}$ and the modified Besselfunktion of 1st kind of zeroth order $I_0(\cdot)$ [Olv10, §10.25] (in Matlab: `besseli(0,arg)`). With the parameter β the attenuation A in dB of the highest side lobe in the filter's stop band can be adjusted. Kaiser empirically derived the following relation:

$$\beta = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad A < 21 \\ 0.5842 \cdot (A - 21)^{0.4} + 0.07886 \cdot (A - 21) & , \quad 21 \leq A \leq 50 \\ 0.1102 \cdot (A - 8.7) & , \quad A > 50, \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

which is valid for large N . To demonstrate this, perform the following tasks:

- c) Generate highpass FIR filters with different cut-off frequencies $f_c = 100, 1000, 10000$ Hz with adapted filter orders N by rectangular windowing ($h[k]$) and by Kaiser-Bessel windowing ($h_w[k] = h[k] \cdot w_{\text{KB}}[k]$) for $0 \leq k \leq N$ and a sampling frequency of $f_s = 48000$ Hz. The stop band attenuation of the Kaiser-Bessel window shall be $A = 36$ dB. The specific filter order N is to be adapted to four cycle durations of the specific cut-off frequency. N should be even, i.e. an odd number $N + 1$ of FIR coefficients results. This yields about the same slope steepnesses of the filter responses. Create the magnitude responses in fig. 1 on your own and check if the FIR filters are really linear-phase. **(2.5 points)**
- d) Which window results when choosing $A < 21$ dB for the Kaiser-Bessel calculation method? Why is this the case? **(1 point)**
- e) How is the slope steepness of the filter responses affected by choosing a constant, e.g. $N = 192$, filter order and using the different cut-off frequencies 100, 1000, 10000 Hz. Why is this the case? **(1.5 points)**

Task c), d) and e) should be provided as commented/explained and easy to read Matlab or Python code and further documentation when necessary. Recommended additional literature: [Opp10, Wer12, Ife02, Mey00, Lyo11].

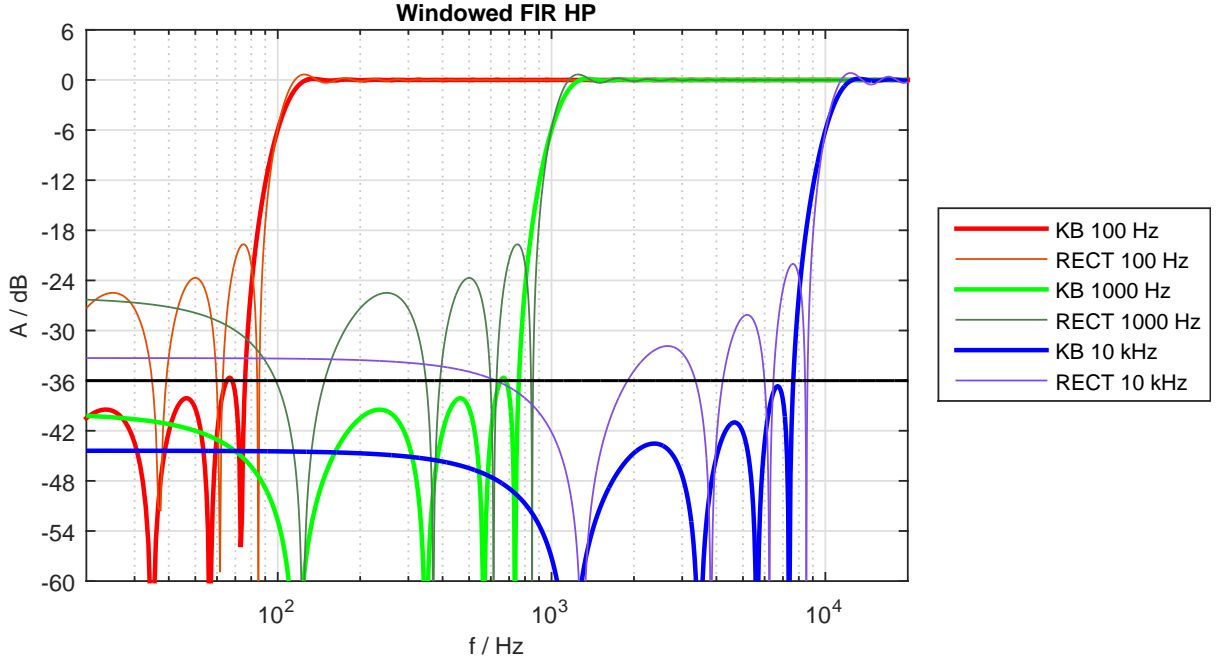


Figure 1: Highpass FIR filters for 100 Hz, 1 kHz, 10 kHz

Exercise 2: IIR filter design using the bilinear transform (10 points)

For a 1st order lowpass filter (simple RC circuit) a discrete-time IIR filter shall be designed using the so-called bilinear transform. The Laplace transfer function of this filter is

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_c}}, \quad (7)$$

where the $-3 \text{ dB}/-45^\circ$ cut-off frequency f_c is linked to $\omega_c = 2\pi f_c$. The Laplace variable s and the z-transform variable z are approximately linked as

$$s \approx 2f_s \frac{z - 1}{z + 1}, \quad (8)$$

which is known as the bilinear transform (aka Tustin approximation) using the sampling frequency f_s ($[f_s] = \text{Hz}$). This transform synthesises stable discrete-time filters from stable analogue filters. The left half plane of the Laplace domain is mapped into the unit circle in the z-domain. The infinite $j\omega$ -axis of the Laplace domain is mapped to the unit circle's upper half in the z-domain and will thus be compressed which leads to frequency response distortion in the digital domain especially for frequencies near half the sampling frequency. However, for a single frequency – most often the cut-off frequency is chosen – an algorithm called pre-warping

$$\omega_c \quad \Leftarrow \quad 2f_s \tan\left(\pi \frac{f_c}{f_s}\right) \quad (9)$$

allows for matching the analogue and digital transfer function at precisely this frequency. In order to demonstrate this the following tasks shall be performed:

- a) Derive $H(z)$ in general form from $H(s)$ given in eq. 7 using $s = 2f_s \frac{z-1}{z+1}$ and formulate $H(z)$ in the so-called biquad structure, i.e. as an IIR filter, as follows

$$H(z) = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + b_2 z^{-2}}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2}}, \quad (10)$$

i.e. express the coefficients b_0, b_1, b_2 and a_1, a_2 in general form. **(3 points)**

- b) Express the coefficients b_0, b_1, b_2 and a_1, a_2 using frequency pre-warping. **(2 points)**
- c) State the numerical values of the resulting coefficients for a sampling frequency of $f_s = 48$ kHz and the analogue lowpass cut-off frequency $f_c = 10$ kHz with and without frequency pre-warping. **(1 point)**
- d) Visualise the magnitude transfer function (logarithmic frequency axis up to 48 kHz, magnitude in dB, cf. fig. 2 top) for the three filters: analogue prototype, IIR filter without pre-warping and IIR filter with frequency pre-warping in one plot. Compare and discuss the results. What differences occur and why? **(2 points)**
- e) Visualise the phase transfer function (logarithmic frequency axis up to 48 kHz, phase in degree, cf. fig. 2 bottom) for the three filters: analogue prototype, IIR filter without pre-warping and IIR filter with frequency pre-warping in one plot. Compare and discuss the results. What differences occur and why? **(2 points)**

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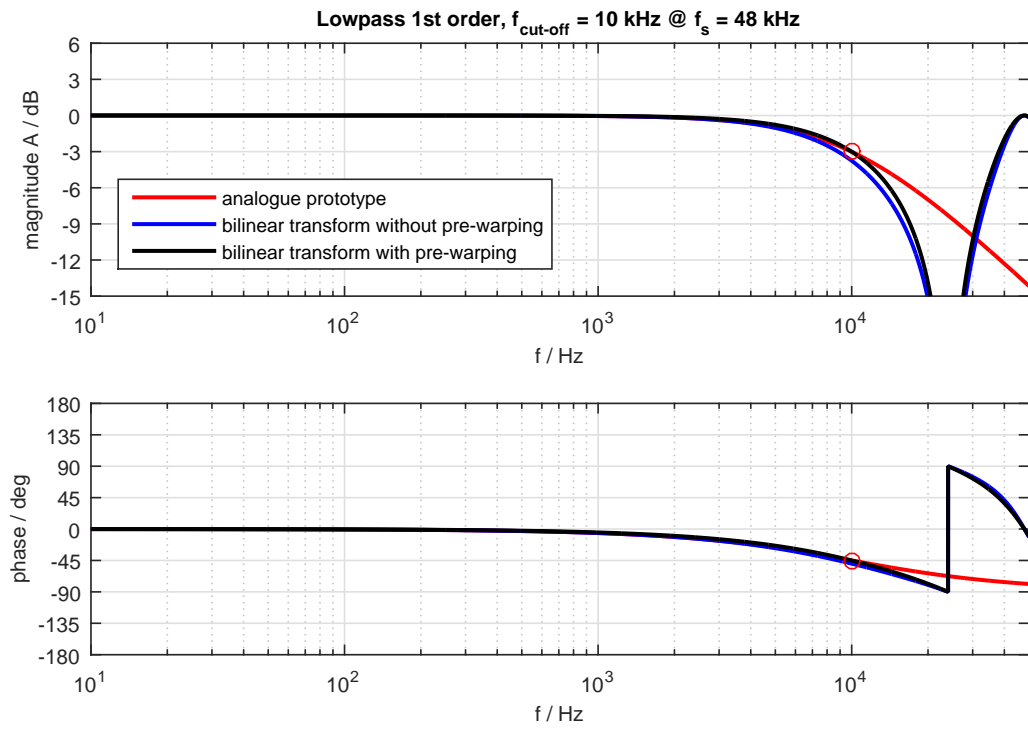


Figure 2: IIR lowpass filters of 1st order