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KVR Forum: Does anyone here understand FAUST Programming Language? (Or can you intuit it for this one question?) - DSP and Plugin Development Forum

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Got it working I think. For anyone who is curious, here's the derivation and code - might be useful to others as well.

Here's the three "classes" in Faust that generate this:

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```
//----- spectral_tilt
-----
// Spectral tilt filter, providing an arbitrary
spectral rolloff factor
// alpha in (-1,1), where
// -1 corresponds to one pole (-6 dB per octave), and
// +1 corresponds to one zero (+6 dB per octave).
// In other words, alpha is the slope of the ln
magnitude versus ln frequency.
// For a "pinking filter" (e.g., to generate 1/f noise
from white noise),
// set alpha to -1/2.
//
```

```
// USAGE:
//   _ : spectral_tilt(N,f0,bw,alpha) : _
// where
//     N = desired integer filter order (fixed at
// compile time)
//     f0 = lower frequency limit for desired roll-off
// band
//     bw = bandwidth of desired roll-off band
// alpha = slope of roll-off desired in nepers per
// neper
//         (ln mag / ln radian freq)
//
// EXAMPLE:
//     spectral_tilt_demo below
//
// REFERENCE:
//     http://arxiv.org/abs/1606.06154
//
spectral_tilt(N,f0,bw,alpha) = seq(i,N,sec(i)) with {
    sec(i) = g * tf1s(b1,b0,a0,1) with {
        g = a0/b0; // unity dc-gain scaling
        b1 = 1.0;
        b0 = mzh(i);
        a0 = mph(i);
        mzh(i) = prewarp(mz(i),SR,w0); // prewarping for
bilinear transform
        mph(i) = prewarp(mp(i),SR,w0);
        prewarp(w,SR,wp) = wp * tan(w*T/2) / tan(wp*T/2)
with { T = 1/SR; };
        mz(i) = w0 * r ^ (-alpha+i); // minus zero i in s
plane
        mp(i) = w0 * r ^ i; // minus pole i in s plane
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    w0 = 2 * PI * f0; // radian frequency of first pole
    f1 = f0 + bw; // upper band limit
    r = (f1/f0)^(1.0/float(N-1)); // pole ratio (2 =>
octave spacing)
};
};

//----- spectral_tilt_demo
-----
// USAGE:
//   _ : spectral_tilt_demo(N) : _ ;
// where
//   N = filter order (integer)
// All other parameters interactive
//
spectral_tilt_demo(N) = spectral_tilt(N,f0,bw,alpha)
with {
    alpha = hslider("[1] Slope of Spectral Tilt across
Band",-1/2,-1,1,0.001);
    f0 = hslider("[2] Band Start Frequency
[unit:Hz]",100,20,10000,1);
    bw = hslider("[3] Band Width
[unit:Hz]",5000,100,10000,1);
};

```

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```

//----- tf1s
-----
// First-order direct-form digital filter,
// specified by ANALOG transfer-function polynomials
B(s)/A(s),
// and a frequency-scaling parameter.

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//  
// USAGE: tf1s(b1,b0,a0,w1), where  
//  
//          b1 s + b0  
// H(s) = -----  
//          s + a0  
//  
// and w1 is the desired digital frequency (in radians/  
// second)  
// corresponding to analog frequency 1 rad/sec (i.e., s  
// = j).  
//  
// EXAMPLE: A first-order ANALOG Butterworth lowpass  
// filter,  
//          normalized to have cutoff frequency at 1  
// rad/sec,  
//          has transfer function  
//  
//          1  
// H(s) = -----  
//          s + 1  
//  
// so b0 = a0 = 1 and b1 = 0. Therefore, a DIGITAL  
// first-order  
// Butterworth lowpass with gain -3dB at SR/4 is  
// specified as  
//  
// tf1s(0,1,1,PI*SR/2); // digital half-band order 1  
// Butterworth  
//  
// METHOD: Bilinear transform scaled for exact mapping  
// of w1.
```

```
// REFERENCE:
//   https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/pasp/
//   Bilinear_Transformation.html
//
tf1s(b1,b0,a0,w1) = tf1(b0d,b1d,a1d)
with {
    c  = 1/tan(w1*0.5/SR); // bilinear-transform scale-
factor
    d  = a0 + c;
    b1d = (b0 - b1*c) / d;
    b0d = (b0 + b1*c) / d;
    a1d = (a0 - c) / d;
};
```

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```
//----- tf1, tf2
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// tfN = N'th-order direct-form digital filter
tf1(b0,b1,a1) = _ <: *(b0), (mem : *(b1)) :> + ~ *(0-
a1);
```

Here's my C++ version (I consolidated the two filter classes into one since they were essentially just working off each other):

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```
#pragma once
#include "JuceHeader.h"

class SpectralTiltFilter_TF1S {
public:

    void setSampleRate(double sampleRateIn) {
        SR = sampleRateIn;
    }
```

```
    }

    void set_tf1s(double b1, double b0, double a0,
double w1) {
        double c = 1 / tan(w1*0.5 / SR);
        double d = a0 + c;
        b1d = (b0 - b1 * c) / d;
        b0d = (b0 + b1 * c) / d;
        a1d = (a0 - c) / d;
        g = a0 / b0;
    }

    double process_tf1(double sampleIn) {
        input_1 = input;
        input = sampleIn;
        output_1 = output;

        output = ((input * b0d) + (input_1 *
b1d)) + (output_1 * -a1d);
        double output_gained = g * output;
        return output_gained;
    }

private:
    double SR = 44100.0;
    double b1d = 0.0;
    double b0d = 0.0;
    double a1d = 0.0;
    double g = 1.0;
    double input = 0.0;
    double output = 0.0;
    double input_1 = 0.0;
```

```
        double output_1 = 0.0;

};

class SpectralTiltFilter {

public:

    void setSampleRate(double sampleRateIn) {
        SR = sampleRateIn;
        T = 1 / SR;

        for (int i = 0; i < filterArray.size();
i++) {
            SpectralTiltFilter_TF1S* unit =
filterArray.getUnchecked(i);
            unit-
>setSampleRate(sampleRateIn);
        }
    }

    void setFilterN(int N) {
        filterN = N;    //N must be 2 or more
        filterArray.clear();
        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
            SpectralTiltFilter_TF1S* unit =
new SpectralTiltFilter_TF1S();
            unit->setSampleRate(SR);
            filterArray.add(unit);
        }
    }

    void setFilter(double f0, double bw, double
```

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alphaIn) {  
    alpha = alphaIn;  
    w0 = 2 * MathConstants<float>::pi * f0;  
    f1 = f0 + bw;  
    r = pow((f1 / f0), (1.0 /  
static_cast<double>(filterN - 1))); //N must be at  
least 2  
  
    for (int i = 0; i < filterN; i++) {  
        SpectralTiltFilter_TF1S* unit =  
filterArray.getUnchecked(i);  
        unit->set_tf1s(1.0, mzh(i),  
mph(i), 1);  
    }  
}  
  
double processSample(double sampleIn) {  
    double input_filtered = sampleIn;  
    for (int i = 0; i < filterN; i++) {  
        SpectralTiltFilter_TF1S* unit =  
filterArray.getUnchecked(i);  
        input_filtered = unit->  
process_tf1(input_filtered);  
    }  
    return input_filtered;  
}  
  
double prewarp(double w, double T, double wp) {  
    return wp * tan(w*T / 2) / tan(wp*T / 2);  
}  
  
double mz(int i) {
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        return w0 * pow(r, (-alpha + i));
    }

    double mp(int i) {
        return w0 * pow(r, i);
    }

    double mzh(int i) {
        return prewarp(mz(i), T, w0);
    }

    double mph(int i) {
        return prewarp(mp(i), T, w0);
    }

private:
    OwnedArray<SpectralTiltFilter_TF1S>
filterArray;
    int filterN = 2;
    double SR = 44100.0;
    double T = 1 / 44100.0;
    double w0 = 10.0;
    double f1 = 220.0;
    double r = 40.0;
    double alpha = 0.5;

};
```

Usage would be for example:

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```
//Initialization:
SpectralTiltFilter spectralTilt;
```

```
spectralTilt.setSampleRate(sampleRate);
spectralTilt.setFilterN(12); // N must be 2 or more
spectralTilt.setFilter(cornerFreqHz,
widthOfRollOffBand, slope); //slope is set as 0 = flat,
-0.5 = 3dB/oct LPF, -1 = 6 db/oct LPF

//Sample processing:
filteredNoise =
spectralTilt.processSample(whiteNoise);
```

I haven't tested it with visualizers to confirm it's doing exactly as it should, but it sounds good to me.

I notice with $n=8$ and a -1 slope (-6 db/oct) it sounds very different from a one pole LPF, but when I put it to $n=12$ I can't hear a difference anymore. Maybe this is the sweet spot.