

Decimation: Low Pass Filter followed by downsampler is called as Decimator.

The job of LPF is to prevent aliasing. Hence, it is also called as anti-aliasing filter.

Cutoff frequency of LPF is (π/M) .

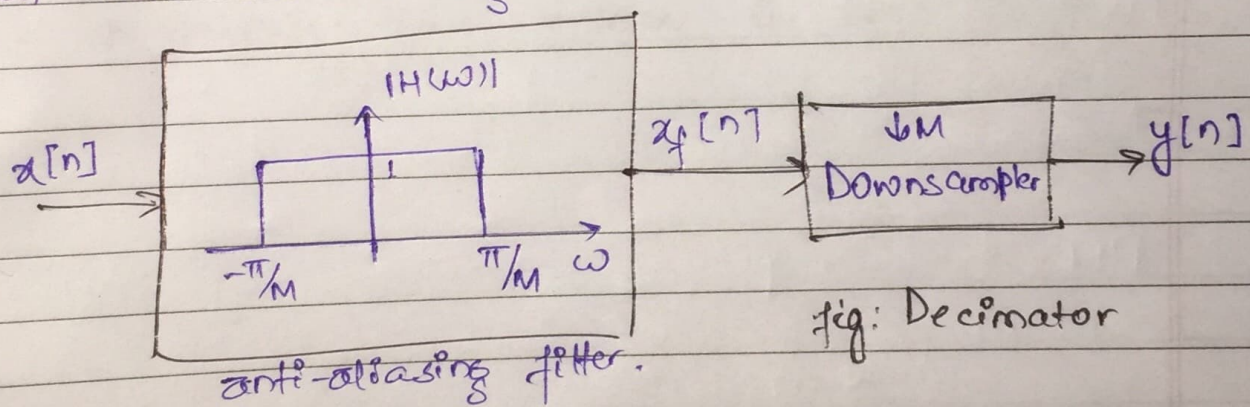
When $M=2$, then the LPF is also known as Half Band filter (HBF) with cutoff frequency $\pi/2$.

The operation of extracting every M^{th} sample is called as Down Sampling.

$$y[n] = x[Mn] \text{ is downsampling.}$$

To prevent aliasing in downsampling, signal bandwidth must be less than $\frac{\pi}{M}$, where M is downsampling factor.

This is why we use low pass filter of cutoff frequency π/M before downsampling, to bandlimit the signal such that no aliasing occurs.

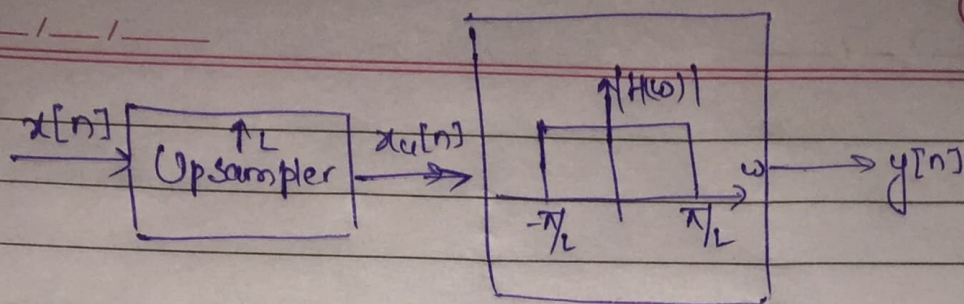


Interpolation:— Upsampler followed by Low Pass filter is known as interpolator.

The job of LPF is to remove unwanted image of $x(e^{j\omega})$. Hence, it is known as anti-imaging filter.

Cutoff frequency of LPF is π/L .

When $L=2$, the LPF is also known as Half Band filter (HBF) with cutoff frequency $\pi/2$.



Ex: Interpolator.

Anti-imaging
filter

Upsampler expands a signal by a factor L , by interlacing $(L-1)$ equidistant zero valued samples between two consecutive samples of $x[n]$.

$$x_u(n) = \begin{cases} x(n/L), & n=0, \pm L, \pm 2L, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Practical Implementation of Decimation & Interpolation.

Decimator: $x_f[n] = x[n] * h[n]$, $y[n] = x_f[2n]$.

Let $M=2$, Suppose, $L_x=36$, $L_h=51$.

then $L_y = 36 + 51 - 1 = 86$ (LPF output)

and, $L_y = \frac{86}{2} = 43$. (downsampled)

But we want $L_y = \frac{L_x}{2} = \frac{36}{2} = 18$.

So, we discard first & last $(L_h-1)/2$ samples from $x_f[n]$, and do downsampling after taking only middle L_x samples of $x_f[n]$.

\therefore Then, $L_y = \frac{1}{2} (86 - (51-1)) = 18$.

Interpolator: - $y[n] = x_u[n] * h[n]$, $x_u[n] = x[n/L]$, $n=2L, \dots$
Suppose, $L_x=18$, $L_h=51$, $L=2$. $=0$, otherwise.

$\Rightarrow L_u = 36$, & $L_y = 36 + 51 - 1 = 86$.

But L_y should be equal to $2 \times L_x$

\Rightarrow Use similar operation and discard first & last $(L_h-1)/2$ samples from $y[n]$

$\Rightarrow L_y = 86 - (51-1) = 36$.