

# EE445M/EE360L.6 Embedded and Real-Time Systems/ Real-Time Operating Systems

## Lecture 7: Digital Signal Processing, Digital Filters, FFT

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## Digital Filters

- Digital signal sampled from continuous analog signal  $x_c(t)$ 
  - $x(n) = x_c(nT)$  with  $-\infty < n < +\infty$
  - finite precision, finite sampling frequency & frequency range
- Causal digital filter
  - calculates  $y(n)$  from  $y(n-1), y(n-2), \dots$  and  $x(n), x(n-1), x(n-2), \dots$
  - not future data (e.g.,  $y(n+1), x(n+1)$  etc.)
- Linear filter is constructed from a linear equation
- Nonlinear filter is constructed from a nonlinear equation
  - E.g. median filter
- Finite impulse response filter (FIR)
  - relates  $y(n)$  only in terms of  $x(n), x(n-1), x(n-2), \dots$
  - $y(n) = (x(n) + x(n-3))/2$
- Infinite impulse response filter (IIR)
  - relates  $y(n)$  in terms of both  $x(n), x(n-1), \dots$ , and  $y(n-1), y(n-2), \dots$
  - $y(n) = (113 \cdot x(n) + 113 \cdot x(n-2) - 98 \cdot y(n-2))/128$

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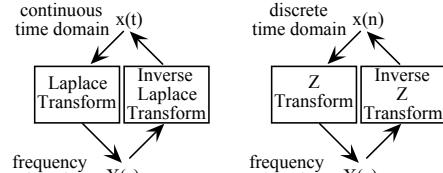
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## Transforms

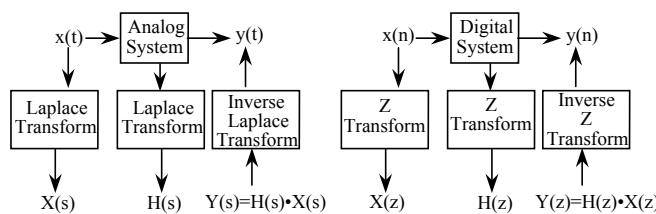
- Time vs. frequency domain

- Z-Transform

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



- Laplace Transform



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## Gain and Phase Response

- Analog system

- Gain  $\equiv |H(s)|$  at  $s = j 2\pi f$ , for all frequencies,  $f$
  - Phase  $\equiv \text{angle}(H(s))$  at  $s = j 2\pi f$

- Digital system

- Transform,  $H(z) = Y(z)/X(z)$  from DC to  $1/2 f_s$ 
    - One can show that:  $Z[x(n-m)] = z^{-m} Z[x(n)] = z^{-m} X(z)$ 
      - E.g., if  $X(z) = Z[x(n)]$ ,  $Z[x(n-2)] = z^{-2} X(z)$
    - Let
      - $z(f) \equiv e^{j2\pi f/f_s} = \cos(2\pi f/f_s) + j \sin(2\pi f/f_s)$  for  $0 \leq f < 1/2 f_s$
      - $H(f) = H(z(f)) \equiv a + bj$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers
    - Gain  $\equiv |H(f)| = \sqrt{a^2+b^2}$ , as  $f$  varies from 0 to  $1/2 f_s$
    - Phase  $\equiv \text{angle}(H(f)) = \tan^{-1}(a/b)$ ,  $f$  from 0 to  $1/2 f_s$

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## Filter Example (1)

- Low-Q 60 Hz notch filter
  - $y(n) = (x(n)+x(n-3))/2$
- Z-Transform
  - $Y(z) = (X(z) + z^{-3}X(z))/2$
- Rewrite in the form  $H(z)=Y(z)/X(z)$ 
  - $H(z) \equiv Y(z)/X(z) = \frac{1}{2} (1 + z^{-3})$
- Determine gain and phase response
  - $H(f) = \frac{1}{2} (1 + e^{-j6pf/f_s}) = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(6pf/f_s) - j \sin(6pf/f_s))$
  - **Gain**  $\equiv |H(f)| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(1 + \cos(6pf/f_s))^2 + \sin^2(6pf/f_s)}$
  - **Phase**  $\equiv \text{angle}(H(f)) = \tan^{-1}(-\sin(6pf/f_s)/(1 + \cos(6pf/f_s)))$

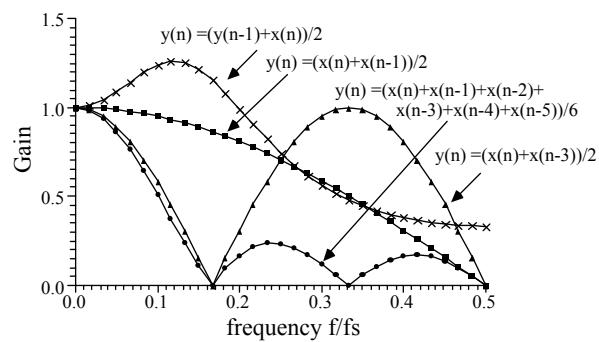
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## Filter Example (2)

- Gain vs. frequency response



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## Filter Example (3)

- Multiple Access Circular Queue (MACQ)

`short x[4]; // MACQ
 void ADC3_Handler(void){ short y;
 ADC_ISC_R = ADC_ISC_IN3; // ack ADC sequence 3 completion
 x[3] = x[2]; // shift data
 x[2] = x[1]; // units, ADC sample 0 to 4095
 x[1] = x[0];
 x[0] = ADC_SSFIFO3_R&ADC_SSFIFO3_DATA_M; // 0 to 4095
 y = (x[0]+x[3])/2; // filter output
 Fifo_Put(y); // pass to foreground
 }`

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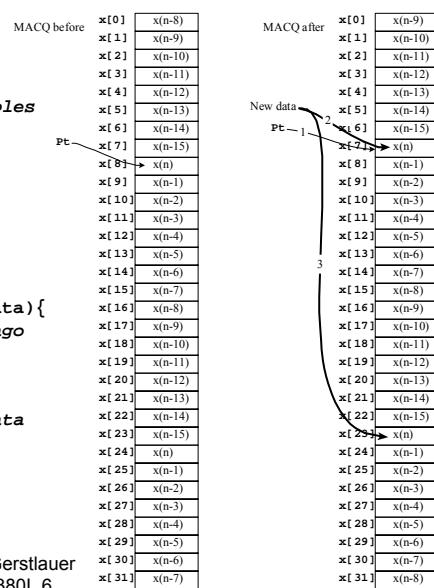
## Pointer-Based MACQ

```

unsigned short x[32]; // two copies
unsigned short *Pt; // pointer to current
unsigned short Sum; // sum of last 16 samples
void LPF_Init(void){
    Pt = &x[0]; Sum = 0;
}
// calculate one filter output
// average previous 16 samples
// called at sampling rate
// Input: new ADC data
// Output: filter output, DAC data
unsigned short LPF_Calc(unsigned short newdata){
    Sum = Sum - *(Pt+16); // sub 16 samples ago
    if(Pt == &x[0]){
        Pt = &x[16]; // wrap
    } else{
        Pt--;
        // make room for data
    }
    *Pt = *(Pt+16) = newdata; // two copies
    return Sum/16;
}

```

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## Filter Design

Analog condition	Digital condition	Consequence
zero near $s=j2\pi f$ line	zero near $z=e^{j2\pi f/s}$	low gain near the zero
pole near $s=j2\pi f$ line	pole near $z=e^{j2\pi f/s}$	high gain near the pole
zeros in conjugate pairs	zeros in conjugate pairs	the output $y(t)$ is real
poles in conjugate pairs	poles in conjugate pairs	the output $y(t)$ is real
poles in left half plane	poles inside unit circle	stable system
poles in right half plane	poles outside unit circle	unstable system
pole near a zero	pole near a zero	high Q response

60Hz digital notch filter,  $f_s = 480$  Hz

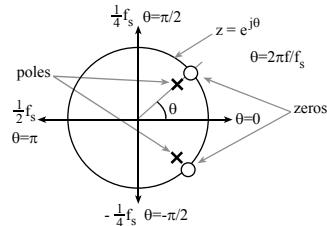
$$\theta = \pm 2\pi \cdot \frac{60}{f_s} = \pm \pi/4$$

Zeros on unit circle (gain=0 at 60 Hz):

$$z_1 = \cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta), z_2 = \cos(\theta) - j \sin(\theta)$$

Poles next to the zeros, just inside the unit circle (flat pass band away from 60 Hz):

$$p_1 = \alpha z_1, p_2 = \alpha z_2 \quad \text{where } 0 < \alpha < 1$$



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## IIR Filter (1)

- Transfer function

$$H(z) = \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{(z-z_i)}{(z-p_i)} = \frac{(z-z_1)(z-z_2)}{(z-p_1)(z-p_2)} = \frac{1-2\cos(\theta)z^{-1}+z^{-2}}{1-2\cos(\theta)z^{-1}+z^{-2}}$$

- With  $f_s = 480$ Hz and  $\alpha = 7/8$

$$H(z) = \frac{1+z^{-2}}{1+\frac{49}{64}z^{-2}} \quad y(n) = x(n) + x(n-2) - (49*y(n-2))/64$$

- At  $z = 1$ , this reduces to

$$\text{DC Gain} = \frac{2}{1+\frac{49}{64}} = \frac{128}{64+49} = \frac{128}{113}$$

For DC Gain of 1:  $y(n) = (113*x(n) + 113*x(n-2) - 98*y(n-2))/128$

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## IIR Filter (2)

```

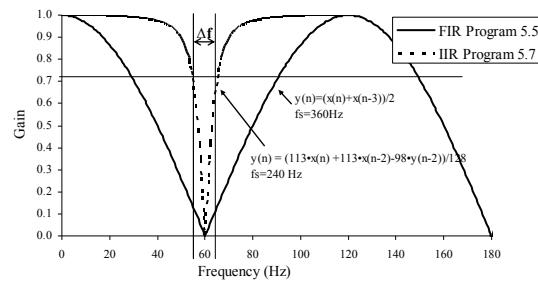
long x[3]; // MACQ for the ADC input data
long y[3]; // MACQ for the digital filter output
void ADC3_Handler(void){
    ADC_ISC_R = ADC_ISC_IN3; // ack ADC completion
    x[2] = x[1]; x[1] = x[0]; // shift data
    y[2] = y[1]; y[1] = y[0];
    x[0] = ADC_SSFIFO3_R&ADC_SSFIFO3_DATA_M;
    y[0] = (113*(x[0]+x[2])-98*y[2])/128; // filter output
    Fifo_Put((short)y[0]);
}

```

Notch filter "Q":

$$Q \equiv \frac{f_c}{\Delta f}$$

$\Delta f$ : frequency range where gain is below 0.707 of the DC gain



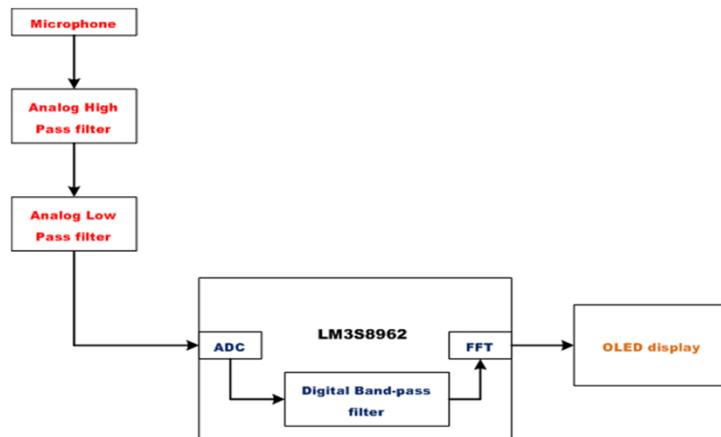
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[DigitalNotch60Hz.xls](#)  
[\(DigitalFilterDesign.xls\)](#)

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## Lab4 Spectrum Analyzer



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## Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

- Convert time to frequency domain

Input: N time samples      Output: a set of N frequency bins  
 $\{a_n\} = \{a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{N-1}\}$        $\{A_k\} = \{A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{N-1}\}$

$$A_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a_n W_N^{kn}, \quad \text{where } W_N = e^{-j2\pi/N}, \quad k=0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

- Inverse DFT

Input: a set of N frequency bins      Output: N time samples  
 $\{A_k\} = \{A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{N-1}\}$        $\{a_n\} = \{a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{N-1}\}$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} A_k W_N^{-kn} \quad \text{where } W_N = e^{-j2\pi/N}, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

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## DFT Properties

- Parameters

- While the DFT deals only with samples and bins, assume data is ADC samples spaced at intervals  $T=1/f_s$  (in sec)
- Frequency bin  $k$  represents components at  $k*f_s/N$  (in Hz)
- The DFT resolution in Hz/bin is the reciprocal of the total time spent gathering time samples, i.e.,  $1/(NT)$

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## DFT Applications

- Applications
  - Measure S/N ratio
  - Identify noise
  - Filter design
- Four or five approximations
  - Finite min, max, range (max-min)
  - Finite precision & resolution (range/precision)
  - Sampling rate
  - Finite number of samples (spectral leakage)

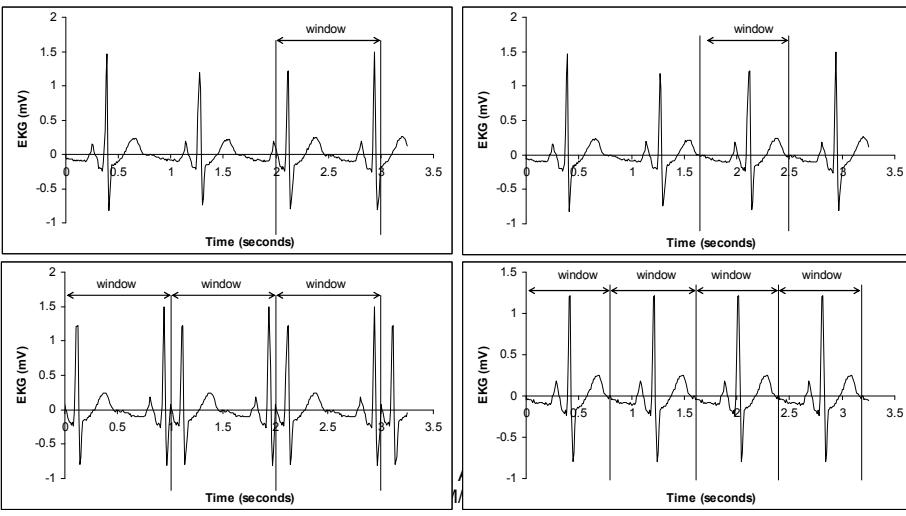
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## Spectral Leakage

- Finite sequences, assumed to be periodic



## Windowing (1)

- Spectral leakage can be virtually eliminated by “windowing” time samples prior to the DFT
  - Windows taper smoothly down to zero at the beginning and the end of the observation window
  - Time samples are multiplied by window coefficients on a sample-by-sample basis
- Windowing sinewaves places the window spectrum at the sinewave frequency
  - Convolution in frequency
- Window coefficients  $w(k)$ 
  - Normalized so that the RMS value of the time samples is the same before and after windowing
$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} |w(n)|^2 = 1$$

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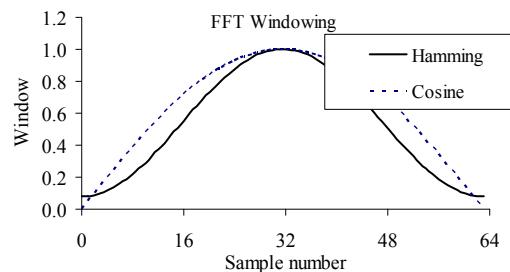
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## Windowing (2)

- Various windowing functions
  - Hamming  $w(k) = 0.54 - 0.46 \cos(2\pi k/(N-1))$
  - Hann  $w(k) = (\sin(\pi k/(N-1)))^2$
  - Cosine  $w(k) = \cos(\pi k/(N-1))$
  - Triangle  $w(k) = (2/N)(N/2 - |k - (N-1)/2|)$

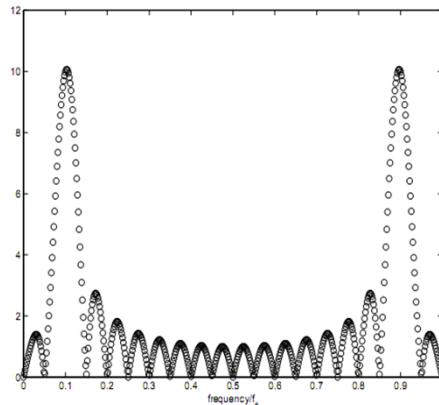


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## Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

- Faster version of the Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)
  - FFT spectrum of a cosine with a frequency of  $0.1f_s$ 
    - $f_s = 10\text{kHz}$
    - Cosine freq = 1kHz
  - Interested region from 0 to  $f_s/2$ 
    - Symmetric around  $f_s/2$



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## FFT Library (1)

```

for(t = 0; t < 64; t++){ // collect 64 ADC samples
    data = OS_Fifo_Get(); // get from producer
    x[t] = data & 0xFFFF; // real 0 to 1023, imaginary 0
}

cr4_fft_64_stm32(y,x,64); // complex 64-point FFT

for(t = 0; t < 32; t++){ // first half
    real = y[t] & 0xFFFF; // bottom 16 bits
    imag = y[t] >> 16; // top 16 bits
    mag[t] = sqrt(real*real+imag*imag);
    LCD_Plot(mag);
}

```

<http://www.ece.utexas.edu/~valvano/EE345M/sqrt.c>

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## FFT Library (2)

```

for(t = 0; t < 1024; t++){ // collect 1024 ADC samples
    data = OS_Fifo_Get(); // get from producer
    x[t] = data;          // real 0 to 1023, imaginary 0
}
cr4_fft_1024_stm32(y,x,1024); // complex FFT
for(t = 0; t < 512; t++){ // first half
    real = y[t]&0xFFFF;      // bottom 16 bits
    imag = y[t]>>16;        // top 16 bits
    data = sqrt(real*real+imag*imag);
    ST7735_PlotdBfs(data);
    if((t%4)==3){
        ST7735_PlotNext(); // 4 pixel per tick
    }
}
ST7735_PlotNext(); // 128 ticks across screen

if V is the FFT output magnitude in volts
dBFS = 20 log10(V/3); // full scale is 3.0 volts

```

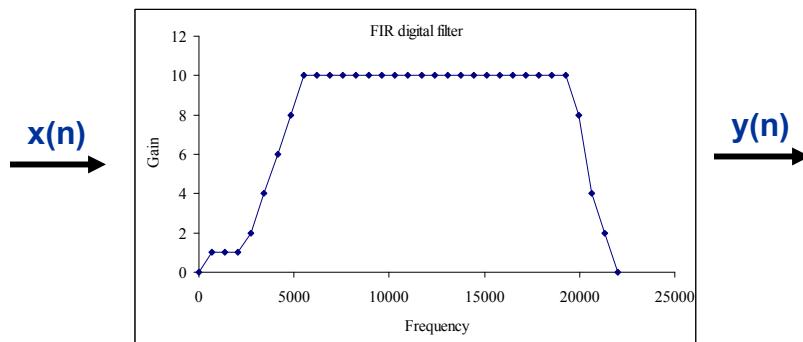
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## Alternative FIR Filter Design (1)

- Specify gain versus frequency
- Specify phase versus frequency



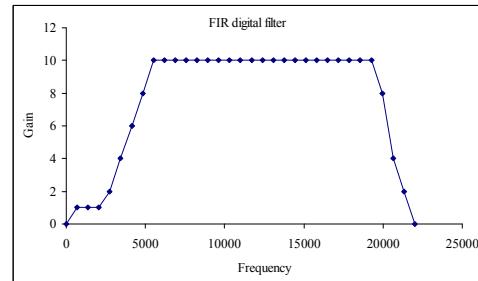
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## Alternative FIR Filter Design (2)

- $Y(z) = H(z) X(z)$
- $h(n) = \text{IFFT}\{H(z)\}$
- Convolution
  - $y(n) = h(n)*x(n)$



- Constants  $h_0, h_1, \dots, h_{N-1}$
- $y(n) = h_0 \cdot x(n) + h_1 \cdot x(n-1) + \dots + h_{N-1} \cdot x(n-(N-1))$
- N multiplies, N-1 additions per sample

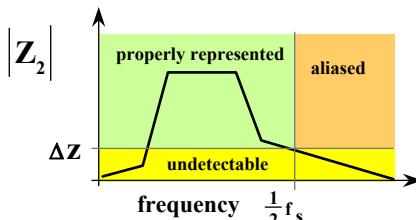
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## How to Choose Sampling Rate

- Nyquist Rate
- Limitation of display
- Limitation of processor
- Limitation of RAM
- Limitation of human eyes and ears
- Limitation of communication channel



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## How to Choose Number of Samples

- Frequency resolution =  $f_s/N$ 
  - Increase in N results in better frequency resolution
  - However, increase in N leads to a bigger MACQ buffer and more multiplies and additions
- Does not need to be a power of 2
  - DFT calculated once, off line

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## Design Process (1)

- Specify desired gain and phase, 0 to  $\frac{1}{2} f_s$ 
  - k goes from 0 to  $N/2$  ( $f = k f_s/N$ )
  - $H(k)$  is complex
  - $|H(k)|$  is gain
  - $\text{angle}(H(k))$  is phase
- For  $\frac{1}{2} f_s$  to  $f_s$ 
  - $H(N-k)$  is complex conjugate of  $H(k)$
  - Poles and zeros are in complex conjugate pairs

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## Design Process (2)

- Take IDFT of  $H(k)$  to yield  $h(n)$ 
  - $n$  goes from 0 to  $N-1$
  - $h(n)$  will be real, because  $H(k)$  symmetric
- The digital filter is
 
$$y(n) = h_0 \cdot x(n) + h_1 \cdot x(n-1) + \dots + h_{N-1} \cdot x(n-(N-1))$$

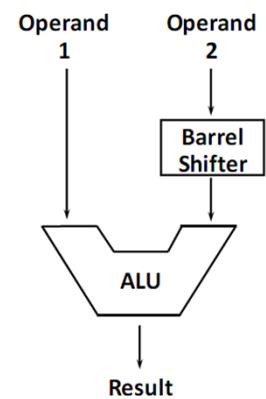
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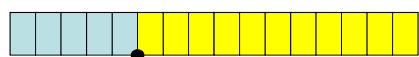
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## Binary Fixed Point Notation

- Binary fixed-point is faster than decimal fixed-point
- Qn number (16 bit)
  - $n$ : specifies the resolution =  $2^{-n}$
  - $16-n$ : specifies range
- Eg: 10.450 (unsigned number) with  $n=11$ ?
- How is this number stored as an integer?



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Value = Integer/2048

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10.450 ≈ 01010.1110011010

## Example

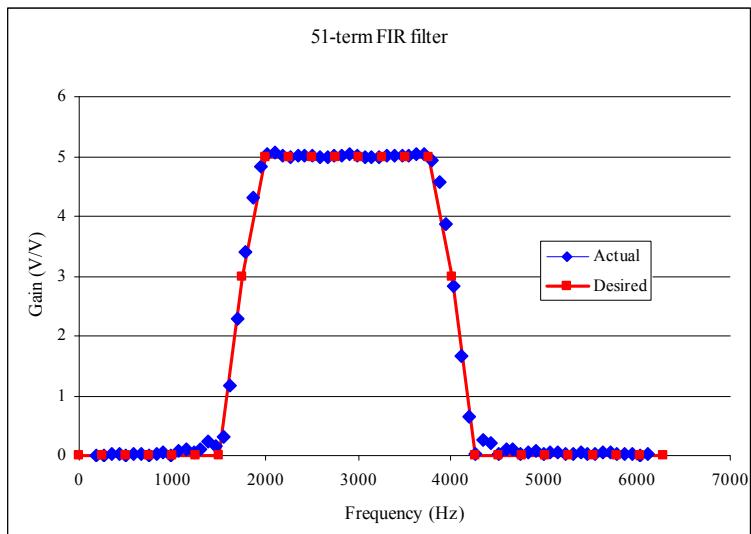
- Open **FIRdesign51.xls**
- Change sampling rate to 10,000 Hz
- Adjust red desired gain to make BPF
  - Pass 2 to 4 kHz
  - Look at sharp corner versus round corner
- Notice linear phase
- Copy 51 coefficients into software

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## 2kHz to 4kHz BPF



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## FIR Filter SW Design

```

const long h[51]={-3,-9,4,5,0,17,5,-20,-5,-7,-22,
                 24,41,-8,2,1,-74,-31,71,20,33,125,-119,-350,67,
                 462,67,-350,-119,125,33,20,71,-31,-74,1,2,-8,41,
                 24,-22,-7,-5,-20,5,17,0,5,4,-9,-3};
static unsigned int n=50; // 51,52,... 101
short Filter(short data){unsigned int k;
    static long x[102]; // this MACQ needs twice
    long y;
    n++;
    if(n==102) n=51;
    x[n] = x[n-51] = data; // two copies of new data
    y = 0;
    for(k=0;k<51;k++){
        y = y + h[k]*x[n-k]; // convolution
    }
    y = y/256; // fixed point
    return y;
}

```

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## Circular Buffering

Array Index	Filter Coefficient Array $h[]$	Circular Buffer Array $xcirc[]$
0	$h[0]$	$x[n - newest]$
1	$h[1]$	$x[n - newest + 1]$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$newest$		$x[n - 1]$
$oldest$		$x[n]$
		$x[n - N + 1]$
		$x[n - N + 2]$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$N - 2$	$h[N - 2]$	$x[n - newest - 2]$
$N - 1$	$h[N - 1]$	$x[n - newest - 1]$

“Communication system design using DSP algorithms” by Steven A. Tretter  
(Chapter 3, page 73)

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## Optimization

- Pointer implementations of MACQ faster
- Do not try and shift the data
- Convolution  $x[n]*h[n]$  takes N multiplies, N-1 additions per sample
  - Can be optimized to N/2 multiplies
  - Coefficients are symmetric
- Assembly optimization with MLA
  - Multiply with accumulate