## EE 324 LAB 8

Digital FIR Filter Design

In this lab, you will learn how to design digital finite-impulse-response (FIR) filters by inverse discrete-time Fourier transform, followed by "windowing". This method starts off with the frequency characteristics (i.e. discrete-time frequency response) of the desired digital filter of say order-M, adds a phase-shift corresponding to time-delay of M/2, computes the corresponding impulse response (which may have an infinite support and hence may be non-causal), and "truncates" this impulse response (to give it the desired finite support) using a finite-support window.

## Prelab:

- 1. We aim at designing a bandpass FIR filter of order M (of length M + 1), with central frequency  $f_0 = 100 \text{ Hz}$  and bandwidth B = 40 Hz.
- 2. Pick a sampling frequency  $f_s$ , which is appropriate for our filter. (The value  $f_s = 300 \text{ Hz}$  can work well since max frequency under consideration is, 100 + 20 = 120 Hz. The sampling period is now  $= \frac{1}{f_s} = \frac{1}{300} \text{ s.}$ )
- 3. Consider the ideal bandpass filter with added M/2 delay given by:

$$H(e^{j\Omega}) = \begin{cases} e^{-j\Omega\frac{M}{2}} & \text{for } \Omega_1 \le |\Omega| \le \Omega_2\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where M = 50,  $\Omega_1 = 2\pi (f_0 - \frac{B}{2})T$ , and  $\Omega_2 = 2\pi (f_0 + \frac{B}{2})T$ . Note that the delay is picked equal to  $\frac{M}{2}$  such that the impulse response h[n] of the filter is centered at M/2 (so truncation over [0, M] preserves the essential features of h[n]). Derive the corresponding impulse response and trim it using a *rectangular* window of order M = 50 (length M + 1 = 51). Plot the impulse response of your resulting FIR filter in MATLAB.



Figure 1 Filter Specifications

## Laboratory Assignment:

1. Validate your calculations using the MATLAB function fir1. Note, to design the filter with a rectangular window, you must first create a window of size equal to the filter length (i.e. M + 1). You may use window = rectwin (M+1) and then hr = fir1 (M, [w1, w2], window). Also note that in Matlab's command format, w1 and w2 denote normalized frequencies in the range [0,1] where  $1 \equiv \frac{f_s}{2}$  (the maximum

frequency of interest when the sampling rate is  $f_s$ ), i.e., w1 :=  $\frac{f_0 - \frac{B}{2}}{\frac{f_s}{2}}$  and w2 :=  $\frac{f_0 + \frac{B}{2}}{\frac{f_s}{2}}$ .

- 2. Plot the impulse response hr of your filter, and its frequency response. For the latter, you may use the function freqz.
- 3. On the same figure, represent the frequency characteristics of FIR filters designed with the rectangular window, at the same specifications as above, but with orders  $M \in$  $\{5, 10, 50, 100, 500\}.$
- 4. On another figure, represent the frequency characteristics of FIR filters of order M = 50and the same specifications as above, designed with different windows. Use the rectangular window, the hamming window (Hamming), the Hann window (hann), and the Kaiser window (kaiser).
- 5. Using the Kaiser window, determine the order, normalized frequencies and parameter  $\beta$ for designing a FIR filter with the Kaiser window, at the specifications of Figure 1. Design the filter and view its frequency characteristics. Verify if they satisfy the design requirements.

You may use:

[M, Wn, beta, ftype] = kaiserord(fcuts,mags,devs,fs). (Note Wn is again a normalized value in the range [0,1], where  $1 \equiv \frac{f_s}{2}$ .)

For our particular example, we have:

fcuts = [60, 80, 120, 140]mags = [0, 1, 0]devs = [1e-3, 0.207, 1e-3] (corresponding to a passband ripple of 2 dB and a stopband attenuation of 60 dB, respectively). fs = 300.

Then you can compute the filter by:

hk = fir1(M,Wn,ftype,kaiser(M+1,beta),'noscale').

6. Plot the impulse and frequency responses of hk and check to make sure that the design specifications are met. Save your code sources and plots for lab-reporting.