



## AUDIO SIGNALS PROCESSING WITH DIGITAL FILTERS IMPLEMENTATION USING MYDSP

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### ABSTRACT

In this document, a software application for Digital Signal Processing is implemented with a MyDAQ device; in the designed application, audio signals from MP3 Files are used as input data. A Labview based software tool GUI is developed for this purpose to visualize frequency spectrum response. Two specific filters as the Finite Impulse Response (FIR) or (IIR) Infinite Impulse Response were implemented and compared. The procedure and simulation are designed in Matlab to understand the process carried out by the Digital Signal Processor (MyDSP) from National Instruments as a study case in educational activities.

**Keywords:** digital filters, FIR, IIR, Labview, DSP.

### INTRODUCTION

Advances in technology related to integrated circuits have reached an important impact on technical areas as medicine, aerospace, radar, communications [1] and others [2], [3], [4], applied techniques of digitized signal processing and hardware are widely developed [5]. A deep knowledge of the fundamentals techniques of digital analog signal processing is essential for anyone whose is a needed digital application.

Applications in digital signal processing have increased since more and are more powerful possibilities offered by modern digital technology [6]. Few years ago, it was unimaginable to have various types of services involving audio signals, but the rise of new technologies is allowing this [7].

Networks integrating voice and data, dialogues between man and machine, transcription of text of a speaker, synthesis from text, identification and verification of speakers, activation or deactivation voice are some examples of the achievements of the digital audio signal processing today [7].

Modern microprocessors are each time faster for being used in more complicated and demanding work [8]. Hence the unavoidable need to develop applications that allow implementing real-world situations to consolidate the acquired knowledge [9].

For a given digital signal processing the procedure begins with the analysis of discrete time system signals, including sampling, discretization and convolution procedures using difference equations, the z-transform, and discrete time Fourier Transform most of the cases. An emphasis is made on the differences and similarities in discrete time for Z-transform, and Discrete Fourier Transform [10], important for practical development, research and used as base background knowledge in computer and engineering sciences.

This work develops infinite response digital filters with the use of didactic digital signal processor as it is: MyDSP. It can be conclude that with the filter-based

design and a discussion made on the Fourier transform in fast to process digital signals based on the algorithms in Labview in order to calculate discretely the Fourier transform.

### PROBLEM FORMULATION

**Characterization of a filter:** impulse response and transfer function

In time domain, the impulse response is obtained as an invariant linear system attribute in time, it appear in the output when the input is an impulse signal. A digital filter consists of the discrete between the input and its impulse response system representation is performed. This relationship can be described by the following equation:

$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k]x[n-K] \quad (1)$$

One of the main advantages of a linear invariant filter describe that it can be determined by the time domain impulse response and transfer function over the Z domain. Only SLTI filters check the superposition property: based on this we can say SLTI that filtering an addition of audio signals is equal to add each separately filtered signal. Moreover, the properties of causality and stability permit the filter to be done.

Thus, with the estimated values of Z in its domain, the transfer function H(z) relates the system input to the output of LTI, which is given for this case. Thus the impulse response is equal to the result of a transfer function in the Z transform:

$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n] \xrightarrow{T.Z.} Y(z) = X(z)H(z) \quad (2)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h[n]z^{-n} \quad (3)$$

Finally if we refer to the frequency domain, which is part of Z domain, which represents the frequency



response will correspond to the discrete Fourier transform sequences (TFSD) of the impulse response:

$$H(f) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h[n]e^{-j2\pi fn} \quad (4)$$

Within filters, the transfer functions as well as the impulse response have determined the following:

- The gain ( $G(f)$ ) is determined as the amplification of the signal which is located at the input related to the output. If the amplification is negative, we talk about attenuation:

$$G(f) = 10 \log \frac{|H(f)|^2}{H_{ref}^2} \quad (5)$$

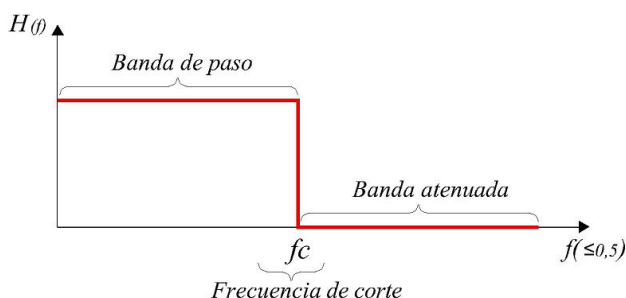
- A filter in question amplitude response is specified as the modulus of the frequency response of the filter:

$$A(f) = |H(f)| \quad (6)$$

The amplitude response of an ideal filter is 1 on the passband and 0 respectively to the attenuation of the band Figure-1.

- In filter, The phase in the transfer function response is defined as the phase of the impulse response

$$\theta(f) = \angle H(f) \quad (7)$$



**Figure-1.** Ideal response for low pass filter,  
Source: Author.

The number of coefficients in the transfer function indicates the order; in addition input signals in relation to the previous output are used to compute  $y[n]$ . However, the order of a filter is obtained by defining as the order of the impulse response. And, the order of a given polynomial is referred as the highest value of the exponent of the same polynomial. The opportunity to be a rational function is defined as the maximum in the relation of numerator and denominator polynomial orders.

- In the passband filter, the frequency range that passes from input to output without being attenuated; so the attenuated band is complementary. The frequencies

ranges outside the attenuation step determine the maximum limit of the passband and are called stop-band. If we find ideal filters, attenuation and frequency step equally match the cutoff frequency.

The frequency response areas are determined in detail by the module  $|H(f)|$  and phase  $\theta_h(f)$ .

$H(f) = |H(f)|e^{j\theta_h(f)}$ . In this case, if we have the input signal frequency  $X(f)$  and the previous filter, so the same module characterized and the output phase signal  $Y(f)$  they are as follows:

$$Y(f) = H(f) * X(f) \quad (8)$$

$$\theta_y(f) = \theta_h(f) + \theta_x(f) \quad (9)$$

The module  $|H(f)|$  refers to the filter gain, phase  $\theta(f)$  determines how much a filter is delayed. A very important property of the filter related to the phase is group delay:

$$\tau_g = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{df} \quad (10)$$

The output signal is evaluated with each group delay, which is initially the input by samples for each frequency. Thus, it is important to evaluate the overall delay that logically a signal experiences logically. If it is constant the group delay it means that the phase will be linear (so that the frequencies will delay). In case the group delay is different depending on the frequency, a distortion occurs in the respective signal spectrum.

*Specifying the input-output of a filter: finite difference equations*

A practical way of exposing the correlation between the input and output of the casual filter is with the equation in finite differences in order to use it.

The equation is described by the detailed formula for the sample  $n$  output samples that only depends on present and past input. A general finite difference equation is as follows:

$$y[n] = b_0x[n] + b_1x[n-1] + \dots + b_Mx[n-M] - a_1y[n-1] - \dots - a_Ny[n-N] \quad (11)$$

That represented in summations is:

$$y[n] = \sum_{i=0}^M b_i x[n-i] - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i y[n-i] \quad (12)$$

Where  $x[n]$  is the discrete signal belong to entry,  $y[n]$  is the output signal, and constants  $a_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$ ) and  $b_i$  ( $i = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, M$ ) are the number or fixed number of coefficients filter.

The transfer function is obtained by analyzing the equations in the domain  $Z$ :



$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n] \xrightarrow{T.Z.} Y(z) = X(z)H(z) \quad (13)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} \quad (14)$$

We know that:

$$y[n] = \sum_{i=0}^M b_i x[n-i] - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i y[n-i] \xrightarrow{T.Z.} y(z) = \sum_{n=0}^M b_n X(z)z^{-n} - \sum_{n=1}^N a_n Y(z)z^{-n}$$

So,

$$Y(z) \cdot [1 + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n z^{-n}] = \sum_{n=1}^N b_n X(z)z^{-n}$$

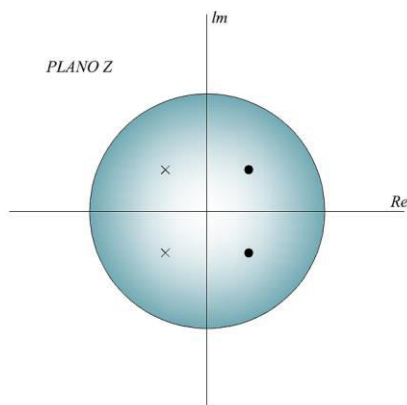
Thus,

$$Y(z) = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N b_n X(z)z^{-n}}{[1 + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n z^{-n}]} \quad (15)$$

The transfer function can be written in terms of roots in the polynomials as follows:

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N b_n z^{-n}}{[1 + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n z^{-n}]} = \frac{b_0 \prod_{n=0}^M (1 - z_k z^{-1})}{a_0 \prod_{k=1}^P (1 - p_k z^{-1})}$$

Where zeros  $z_k$  in the numerator, and  $p_k$  the poles in the denominator corresponds to the transfer function is infinite equal.



**Figure-2.** Example diagram of poles and zeros,  
Source: Author.

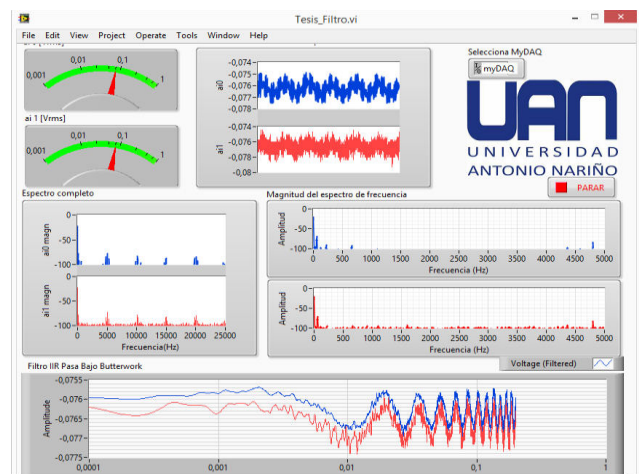
There are two different types of filters that can distinguish a filter finite difference equation:

- **Recurring Filters:** these filters have an infinite number of different samples of the impulse response zero for those reasons are rated as IIR (or infinite impulse response or infinite impulse response).
- **Recurring Filters:** these are filters in which the coefficients are zero and therefore depend on the indicated input signal. It has a finite number of samples other than zero impulse response filter for

that reason, they are called FIR filters (finite impulse response, or finite impulse response).

## RESULTS

With results values achieved by simulating in Matlab, two digital filters were implemented in a Labview software application. The Figure-3 shows the front panel composed by two meter type digital controls. These indicators clearly show the R.M.S value of  $a_{i0}$  and  $a_{i1}$ . Input signals from them DAQ.  $a_{i0}$  and  $a_{i1}$  labels appear with [Vrms], both use logarithmic scale 0.001 to 1, with DBL numeric data type, respectively.



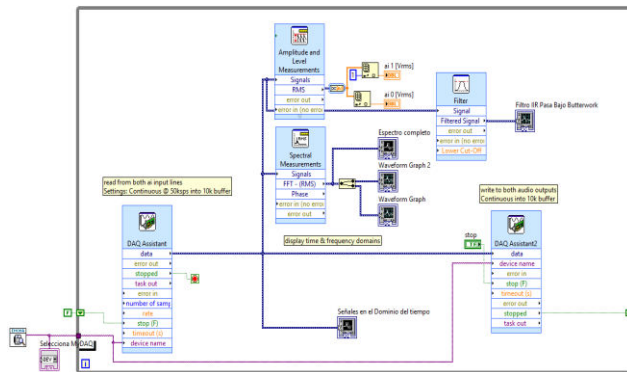
**Figure-3.** Labview user interface application for digital filter implementation., Source: autor.

Similarly, there are two displays in a graphical control type Waveform Chart which show the input signals in real time directly from myDAQ. Its label: Signals in the time domain.

There is another type Wave graphical control chart figure, which is tagged: Complete set. This shows the signals from the block that converts the signals in the frequency domain using the fast Fourier transform complex FFT.

Through two graphical types, add a Magnitude of the frequency spectrum, which show signals from (R.M.S) block fast Fourier transform as a result.

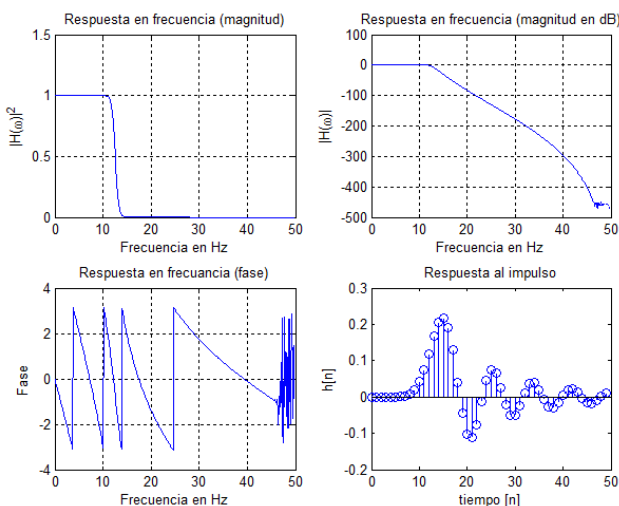
In the final part is a graphic wave graph type control, which is labeled: IIR Lowpass filter Butter work, which shows the output filtered signals.



**Figure-4.** Control panel for the Labview user interface in audio processing. Source: Author.

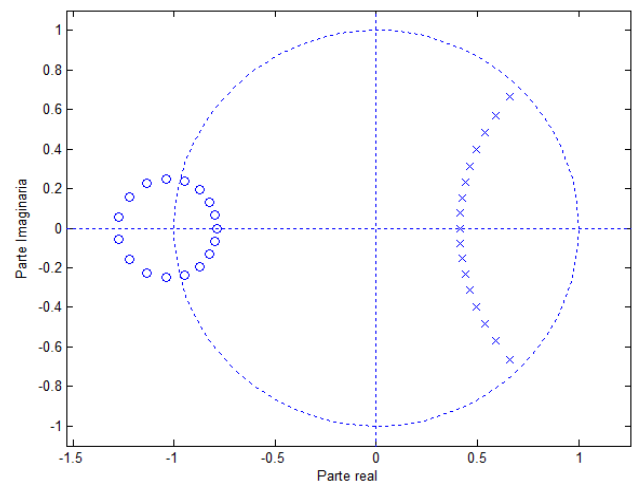
It was set up by the DAQ Assistant leaving  $a_{i0}$  and  $a_{i1}$  as inputs ports with a signal range +10 volts to -10 volts. The acquisition mode is continuous, with a number of samples 10,000 and at a rate of 50 KHz.

Filter design was used to calculate que IIR and FIR filters, frequency response in amplitude and magnitude, Phase and impulse response can be represented by graphical analysis represented in Figure-5.



**Figure-5.** Low pass filter design using Matlab. Source: Author.

Spectral Measurements are set up by selecting the extent (R.M.S.) in decibels (dB) with Hamming window type. The windows simply deduce that mathematical functions are frequently used in the analysis, development and signal processing in order to avoid discontinuities at the end and beginning of the diagram blocks. Deduced transfer function can be observed in Figure 6 where poles and ceros are located in complex plane, using matlab functions.



**Figure-6.** Poles and ceros used to represent IIR and FIR filters. Source: Author.

## CONCLUSIONS

Audiosignals for being invariant, nonlinear and in homogeneous signals have the peculiarity that are difficult to characterize, nowadays due to the advancement of new electronic devices such as MyDSP and development environments Labview can make any kind of treatment signals using simple algorithms.

The workcan be easily implemented (using a wizard) broadly mathematical algorithms forscanning, processing and processing of audio signals into digital signals and to parameterize the audio signal in real time.

Matlab is very important in the design of any type of filter system, with it can bedesigned and simulated any type of digital filter with simple implementation spareus the same tool. Here the fast Fourier transform is developed because its computational cost is lower. For the implementation of the FIR filter coefficients results in the simulation in Matlab were taken, the MyDSP can handle from 2 to 600 FIR coefficients and to the tenth order.

Labview GUI is flexible for programming digital filters and performing for example the Fast Fourier Transform, this can be written in graphical lenguaje. Matlab is an excellent tool to simulate algorithms and test models obtaining the necessary coefficients for the implementation of the FIR and IIR filters.

FIR filters can conclude that this type of filter increase the number of coefficients and significant ly improves the filter response band. When noised signal are analyzed, filtering processattenuates the signal and other components of noise are removed.

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