

# GENERALIZATION OF THE TIME INFINITE IMPULSE RESPONSE DIGITAL FILTERS

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This work describes the generalization of a new kind of infinite impulse response (IIR) digital filter to filter the pulse signal periods. This kind of digital filter was designed using the previously designed frequency-locked loops (FLL), which are based on the time measurement and processing of both the input and output periods. FLL is a linear discrete system. Starting from the general form of difference equation of the IIR FLL digital filter of the third and fourth orders, the transfer functions and Z transform of the outputs are developed for the IIR FLL digital filter of any order. To demonstrate the capabilities and utility of the general equations, they were applied to design a suitable IIR digital filter using a fourth-order FLL. The filtering abilities and the analyses in the frequency domain of the designed low pass IIR digital filter are demonstrated using the theory of IIR digital filter and the corresponding MATLAB tools. Analyses of the fourth-order IIR FLL digital filter were also performed in the time domain using computer simulation in MATLAB.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In the title of this paper, the term “Time Infinite Impulse Response digital filter” with the prefix “Time” was used for the first time. The term “Time digital filter” should include IIR FLL digital filters, described in [1], as well as FIR FLL digital filters, described in [2,3]. The author has long evaluated whether using the prefix “Period” instead of “Time” is more correct, considering that pulse signal periods are processed in these systems. However, in addition to periods, time differences between the input and output periods can also be processed in these systems. Therefore, these “Time digital filters” always process time as a physical quantity. Because of that, the prefix “Time” best represents the essence of the physical process, including periods and time differences between periods. Unlike time digital filters, classical digital filters process only the signal's amplitude. Using the same principle, we can call them “Amplitude digital filters”. This approach fits well with the need to make one of the essential differences between “Time digital filters” and the classic digital filters.

These time digital filters are derived from the frequency-locked loops (FLLs), which are based on measuring and processing the input and output periods of the pulse signals. In [1], it was shown how a third-order FLL can function as a time IIR digital filter. The procedure described for finding the transfer function of the third-order FLL and other necessary mathematical procedures was very long. Of course, these procedures will be very complicated for the higher-order FLLs. To reduce and simplify the process of designing the IIR FLL digital filter, it is necessary to develop all the necessary equations for the IIR FLL of the  $M$ -th order, that is, of any order. In addition, this article will demonstrate the application of these general mathematical solutions to the development of a fourth-order IIR FLL digital filter.

What [2] represents FIR FLL digital filters, and this article represents IIR FLL digital filters. However, unlike FIR FLL digital filters, which process only the input periods, IIR FLL digital filters process both the input and output periods. Because of that, IIR FLL digital filters are the systems with the feedback. They possess better filter characteristics than FIR FLL digital filters, which are open-loop systems. It was previously stated that the classic IIR digital filters process the amplitude, unlike IIR FLL and FIR FLL digital filters, which process the periods, *i.e.*, time instead of amplitude. Regardless,

the theory of the classical IIR digital filters and its application software were used to develop IIR FLL digital filters. To achieve this, it was necessary to overcome the differences in the basic equations between classical digital filters and IIR FLL digital filters, which are theoretically and practically demonstrated in the article.

Numerous applications of FLLs are described in [4–11]. These references are also important for this article because they describe the functioning and realization of IIR FLL digital filters, their computer simulation in the time domain, and their analysis using the Z transformation and the theory of linear discrete systems. The articles and books in [12–26] provide a theoretical base for electronics implementations and development necessities.

## 2. GENERAL EQUATIONS OF THE IIR FLL<sub>M</sub>

Figure 1 represents a general case of an input signal  $S_{in}$  and an output signal  $S_{op}$  of IIR FLL and shows the physical relations between the input and output variables. This article

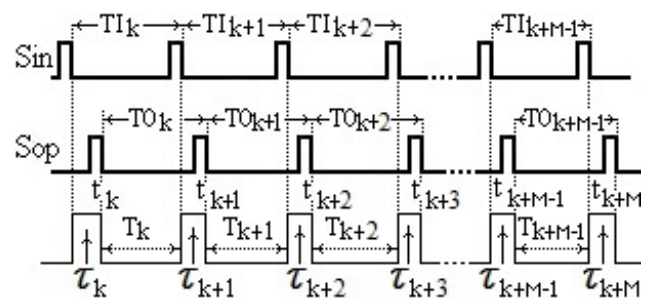


Fig. 1 – The time relations between the input and output variables of the  $M$ -th order IIR FLL digital filter.

will rely on some results from [1]. Let us borrow the difference equation for IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> of the  $M$ -th order from eq. (4) of [1]. Suppose we replace “ $M=M-1$ ” in eq. (4) of [1], we will get eq. (1) in this article, all variables can be seen in Fig. 1. By this replacement, we reduced the number of calculation steps for one and obtained the simpler form, which is more suitable for the upcoming analysis without changing its mathematical meaning. As shown in [1], eq. (1) of this article represents an adapted form of IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> that can function as a digital filter when its parameters are replaced with the coefficients of the corresponding

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classical digital filter. Equation (2) is the natural relation between the variables in Fig. 1. The periods'  $TI_k$  and  $TO_k$ , as well as the time difference  $\tau_k$  and time interval  $T_k$  occur at discrete times  $t_k, t_{k+1}, t_{k+2}, \dots, t_{k+M-1}, t_{k+M}$ , defined by the falling edges of the pulses of Sop in Fig. 1. Note that the variable "k", represents the discrete time  $t_k$  when an input period is measured and taken in the calculation, according to eq. (1), there are  $M$  calculations of any output period. These calculations are performed with  $M$  system parameters  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_M$ ,  $M$  system parameters  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{M-1}$ , and the corresponding input and output periods  $TI_k$  and  $TO_k$ . Note that it is adopted  $a_0 = 1$  in eq. (1). The number  $M$  represents the order of an IIR FLL<sub>M</sub>. The calculation of  $M$  starts at discrete time  $t = t_k$ , just like in Fig. 1, where "k" is usually zero, but it can be any natural number. The variable  $\tau_k$  will identify the phase and time relation between the input and output periods during both the locking procedure and the stable state of IIR FLL. Because of simplicity, discrete times in brackets, e.g.,  $TO(t_{k+M})$  and  $TI(t_{k+M-i})$  were changed with the corresponding index marks like  $TO_{k+M}$  and  $TI_{k+M-i}$  in eq. (1). The same changes are made in Fig. 1 and the other equations. According to Fig. 1, if we know  $\tau_k, T_k$  can be calculated using eq. (3).

$$TO_{k+M} = \sum_{i=1}^M b_i \cdot TI_{k+M-i} + \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} a_i \cdot TO_{k+M-i}, \quad (1)$$

$$\tau_{k+1} = \tau_k + TO_k - TI_k, \quad (2)$$

$$T_k = TI_k - \tau_k, \quad (3)$$

To perform the analyses of an IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> it is necessary to determine the Z transforms of  $TO_{k+M}$ ,  $\tau_{k+1}$  and  $T_k$  as well as their transfer functions. The Z transforms of eq. (1) to (3) could be derived in two ways. The first way is to develop it directly from eq. (1) to (3). The Z transform of the  $M$ -th order IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> can also be performed from the Z transforms of multiple lower-order IIR FLLs. We will apply the second approach, which is simpler. Let us first derive the Z-transforms of  $TO_{k+M}$  and  $\tau_{k+1}$ . For the IIR FLL<sub>3</sub> of the third order,  $TO_3(z)$  and  $\tau_3(z)$  is derived in [3]. They are shown in eq. (4) and (5), where  $TO_0$  and  $\tau_0$  are the initial conditions of  $TO_3$  and  $\tau_3$ . Similarly,  $TO_3(z)$  and  $\tau_3(z)$  were developed in ref. [3] for the third-order IIR FLL<sub>3</sub>, the Z transforms  $TO_4(z)$  and  $\tau_4(z)$  was developed for the fourth-order IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> and shown in eq. (6) and (7). Note that  $S_{ab} = a_1 + b_1 + a_2 + b_2$  in eq. (7). Based on eq. (4) and (6), we can derive the Z-transform  $TO_M(z)$  for  $M$ -th order IIR FLL<sub>M</sub>, given in eq. (8), where the transfer function  $H_{TO_M}(z) = TO(z)/TI(z)$  is shown in eq. (9). Based on eq. (5) and (7), we can derive the Z-transform  $\tau_M(z)$  for  $M$ -th order IIR FLL<sub>M</sub>, given in eq. (10), where the transfer function  $H_{\tau_M}(z) = \tau_M(z)/TI(z)$  is presented in eq. (11). According to eq. (3),  $T_M(z) = TI(z) - \tau_M(z)$ .  $T_M(z)$  can be calculated after we have derived  $\tau_M(z)$ . Since  $\tau_M(z) = H_{\tau_M}(z) \cdot TI(z)$ , it follows that  $T_M(z) = TI(z)[1 - H_{\tau_M}(z)]$ . Based on the last equation, the transfer function  $H_{T_M}(z) = T_M(z)/TI(z)$  can be calculated using eq. (12).

$$TO_3(z) = TI(z) \frac{z^2 b_1 + z b_2 + b_3}{z^3 - z^2 a_1 - z a_2} + \frac{z^3 TO_0}{z^3 - z^2 a_1 - z a_2}, \quad (4)$$

$$\tau_3(z) = TI(z) \frac{-z^2 - z(1 - a_1 - b_1) - b_3}{z^3 - z^2 a_1 - z a_2} + \frac{z^3 TO_0}{(z-1)(z^3 - z^2 a_1 - z a_2)} + \frac{z \tau_0}{z-1}, \quad (5)$$

$$TO_4(z) = TI(z) \frac{z^3 b_1 + z^2 b_2 + z b_3 + b_4}{z^4 - z^3 a_1 - z^2 a_2 - z a_3} + \frac{z^4 TO_0}{z^4 - z^3 a_1 - z^2 a_2 - z a_3}, \quad (6)$$

$$\tau_4(z) = TI(z) \frac{-z^3 - z^2(1 - b_1 - a_1) - z(1 - S_{ab}) - b_4}{z^4 - z^3 a_1 - z^2 a_2 - z a_3} + \frac{z^4 TO_0}{(z-1)(z^4 - z^3 a_1 - z^2 a_2 - z a_3)} + \frac{z \tau_0}{z-1}, \quad (7)$$

$$TO_M(z) = TI(z) \cdot H_{TO_M}(z) \quad (8)$$

$$H_{TO_M}(z) = \frac{z^M \cdot TO_0}{z^M - \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} z^{M-i} \cdot a_i} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^M z^{M-i} \cdot b_i}{z^M - \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} z^{M-i} \cdot a_i}, \quad (9)$$

$$\tau_M(z) = TI(z) H_{\tau_M}(z) + \quad (10)$$

$$+ \frac{z^M \cdot TO_0}{(z-1)(z^M - \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} z^{M-i} \cdot a_i)} + \frac{z \tau_0}{z-1},$$

$$H_{\tau_M}(z) = \frac{-z^{M-1} - \sum_{i=1}^{M-2} z^{M-1-i} [1 - \sum_{j=1}^i (b_j + a_j)]}{z^M - \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} z^{M-i} \cdot a_i} \quad (11)$$

$$- \frac{b_M}{z^M - \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} z^{M-i} \cdot a_i},$$

$$H_{T_M}(z) = \frac{T_M(z)}{TI(z)} = 1 - H_{\tau_M}(z), \quad (12)$$

All general eq. (8) to (12) are very useful because, using them, we can easily derive Z transforms of the outputs and transfer functions of any order IIR FLL<sub>M</sub>, escaping long mathematical operations and significantly reducing the possibility of making errors. Let's check the correctness of the previous equations if we adopt  $M=3$  from eq. (8) and (10), we will get eq. (4) and (5). Suppose we adopt  $M=4$ , from eq. (8) and (10), we will get eq. (6) and (7), proving the correctness of the generalized eq. (8), (9), (10) and (11).

Except for the general eq. (1), (2), (3), and (8 to 12), it is necessary to derive some additional general equations for the IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> of the  $M$ -th order. Using eq. (8) and (10) we can find the final values  $TO_{M\infty}$  and  $\tau_{M\infty}$  in the stable state of IIR FLL<sub>M</sub>, i.e., for the case when  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Suppose the step input is  $TI(k) = TI = \text{const}$ . By substituting the Z-transform of  $TI(k)$ , i.e.,  $TI(z) = TI \cdot z/(z-1)$  into eq. (8), and using the final value theorem, it is possible to find the final value of the output period as  $TO_{M\infty} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} [(z-1)TO_M(z)]$  when  $z \rightarrow 1$ . The result is shown in eq. (13). It comes out from eq. (13), that  $TO_{M\infty} = TI$  if eq. (14) is satisfied. Equation (14) represents the general condition that the parameters of IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> must satisfy. It is substituting now  $TI(z)$  into eq. (10), and using the final value

theorem, it is possible to find the final value of the time difference  $\tau_{M\infty} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \tau_3(k)$  if  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , using  $\tau_M(z)$ . This is shown in eq. (15).

Let us now demonstrate the application of the general eq. (13), (14), and (15) to develop the corresponding equations for IIR FLL<sub>4</sub>. If we enter  $M=4$  into eq. (13), we get eq. (16). If we enter  $M=4$  into eq. (14), we get the general condition that the parameters of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> must satisfy, eq. (17). At last, If we enter  $M=4$  into eq. (15), the final value of the time difference  $\tau_{4\infty}$ , which IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> reaches in the stable state, is derived and shown in eq. (18).

$$TO_{M\infty} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} [(z-1)TO_M(z)] \quad (13)$$

$$= TI \frac{\sum_{i=1}^M b_i}{1 - \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} a_i}, \quad (14)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^M b_i + \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} a_i = 1,$$

$$\tau_{M\infty} = TI \frac{-1 - \sum_{i=1}^{M-2} [1 - \sum_{j=1}^i (b_j + a_j)] - b_M}{1 - \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} a_i} + \quad (15)$$

$$+ \frac{TO_0}{1 - \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} a_i} + \tau_0,$$

$$TO_{4\infty} = TI \frac{b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + b_4}{1 - a_1 - a_2 - a_3}, \quad (16)$$

$$b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + b_4 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1, \quad (17)$$

$$\tau_{4\infty} = TI \frac{-3 + 2(b_1 + a_1) + (b_2 + a_2) - b_4}{1 - a_1 - a_2 - a_3} \quad (18)$$

$$+ \frac{TO_0}{1 - a_1 - a_2 - a_3} + \tau_0.$$

### 3. DEVELOPMENT OF THE TIME IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> DIGITAL FILTER USING GENERAL EQUATIONS

With the developed general equations, we can approach the analysis or development of a wide range of IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> applications due to three types of outputs  $TO_k$ ,  $\tau_k$  and  $T_k$ .

In the following text, we will emphasize the design and analysis of the filter characteristics of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> using output  $TO_4$  and compare it with the corresponding digital filter. Let's demonstrate the entire process of developing the fourth-order IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> digital filter using the general equations. If we enter  $M=4$  in eq. (9), we will get the Z transform of the transfer function  $H_{TO_4}(z)$  for IIR FLL<sub>4</sub>, shown in eq. (19). The next step is to define vectors  $b_{TO_4}$  and  $a_{TO_4}$  according to the Mat-lab rules for definitions of vectors "b" and "a". The vectors  $b_{TO_4}$  and  $a_{TO_4}$  are determined based on the transfer function  $H_{TO_4}(z)$  and shown in eq. (20).

$$H_{TO_4}(z) = \frac{TO_4(z)}{TI(z)} = \frac{z^3 b_1 + z^2 b_2 + z b_3 + b_4}{z^4 - z^3 a_1 - z^2 a_2 - z a_3}, \quad (19)$$

$$b_{TO_4} = [0 \quad b_1 \quad b_2 \quad b_3 \quad b_4] \quad (20)$$

$$a_{TO_4} = [1 \quad -a_1 \quad -a_2 \quad -a_3].$$

As described in [1], we will use the theory of the IIR digital filter and its corresponding MATLAB application software to develop a time IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> digital filter. The procedure consists of simply replacing the system parameters of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> with the digital filter coefficients; according to [1], the order of the

classic digital filter, whose coefficients are to be used instead of the parameters of the IIR FLL<sub>4</sub>, must be for one order lower than the order of the IIR FLL<sub>4</sub>. That is the digital filter of the third order IIR DF<sub>3</sub>, whose transfer function is shown in eq. (21). The corresponding vector subscript base and  $a_{DF_3}$  are shown in eq. (22). Note that it is adopted  $a_{0d} = 1$ . Let us now design the Butterworth low pass digital filter of the third order IIR DF<sub>3</sub>, defined by the cutoff frequency  $f_g = 2000$  Hz and sampling frequency  $f_s = 10000$  Hz. Using MATLAB command  $[b_{DF_3}, a_{DF_3}] = \text{butter}(N, f_n)$ , where  $N=3$  is the order of the filter and  $f_n = f_g/(f_s/2)$ , we can get vectors  $b_{DF_3} = [0.0985 \quad 0.2956 \quad 0.2956 \quad 0.0985]$  and  $a_{DF_3} = [1 \quad -0.5772 \quad 0.4218 \quad -0.0563]$ . Comparing eq. (19) and (21) to replace the parameters with the coefficients, we can see that  $b_1 = b_{0d} = 0.0985$ ,  $b_2 = b_{1d} = 0.2956$ ,  $b_3 = b_{2d} = 0.2956$ ,  $b_4 = b_{3d} = 0.0985$ ,  $a_1 = -a_{1d} = 0.5772$ ,  $a_2 = -a_{2d} = -0.4218$  and  $a_3 = -a_{3d} = 0.0563$ . The obtained values of the coefficients satisfy eq. (17). It follows that, according to eq. (16),  $TO_{4\infty} = TI$  for these values of coefficients. Replacing the parameters with the coefficients in eq. (19), the transfer function  $H_{TO_4}(z)$  will turn into eq. (23). According to eq. (21) and (23), the relation between the transfer functions  $H_{TO_4}(z)$  and  $H_{DF_3}$  is shown in eq. (24). Replacing the parameters with the coefficients in eq. (20),  $b_{TO_4}$  and  $a_{TO_4}$  will turn into eq. (25). Based on the results obtained, we can define the relation between any order transfer function of time IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> and the transfer function of t classic digital filter, whose coefficients are used as parameters of IIR FLL<sub>M</sub>. If the digital filter is of  $(M-1)$  order, IIR FLL must be of  $M$ -th order. The relation of their transfer functions is presented in eq. (26). The second important conclusion relates to the vectors of the transfer functions respectively  $H_{TO_M}$  of  $M$ -th order and  $H_{DF_{M-1}}$  of  $(M-1)$ -th order. Their vectors are used in commands devoted to the design of digital filters. Their relations are shown in eq. (27).

$$H_{DF_3}(z) = \frac{z^3 b_{0d} + z^2 b_{1d} + z b_{2d} + b_{3d}}{z^3 + z^2 a_{1d} + z a_{2d} + a_{3d}}, \quad (21)$$

$$b_{DF_3} = [b_{0d} \quad b_{1d} \quad b_{2d} \quad b_{3d}] \quad (22)$$

$$a_{DF_3} = [1 \quad a_{1d} \quad a_{2d} \quad a_{3d}],$$

$$H_{TO_4}(z) = \frac{z^3 b_{0d} + z^2 b_{1d} + z b_{2d} + b_{3d}}{z^3 + z^2 a_{1d} + z a_{2d} + a_{3d}} z^{-1}, \quad (23)$$

$$H_{TO_4}(z) = H_{DF_3}(z) \cdot z^{-1}, \quad (24)$$

$$b_{TO_4} = [0 \quad b_{0d} \quad b_{1d} \quad b_{2d} \quad b_{3d}] = [0 \quad b_{DF_3}] \quad (25)$$

$$a_{TO_4} = [1 \quad a_{1d} \quad a_{2d} \quad a_{3d}] = a_{DF_3},$$

$$H_{TO_M}(z) = H_{DF_{M-1}}(z) \cdot z^{-1}, \quad (26)$$

$$b_{TO_M} = [0 \quad b_{DF_{M-1}}], \quad a_{TO_M} = a_{DF_{M-1}}. \quad (27)$$

### 4. PRESENTATION OF THE FUNCTIONING OF IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> IN THE TIME AND FREQUENCY DOMAIN

The simulations in the time domain can confirm all reached math results, realized by MATLAB tools. Using simulation, let us check the correctness and compliance between some general equations and general equations and simulation based on the described algorithm for the designed IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> filter. All discrete values in simulations were merged to form continuous curves. All variables in the following diagram were presented in time units. The time unit can be  $\mu\text{sec}$ ,  $\text{msec}$

or any other, but assuming the same time units for all time variables  $TI$ ,  $TO$  and  $\tau$ , using just “time unit” or abbreviated “t.u.” in the text was more suitable. It was more convenient to omit the indication “t.u.”, in the diagrams. Entering  $M=4$  in eq. (1) we will get  $TO_{k+4}$ , eq. (28). Using eq. (28) and (2),  $TO_{k+4}$  and  $\tau_{k+4}$  are simulated for  $TI=6$  t.u.,  $TO_0=5$  t.u., and  $\tau_0=5$  t.u. and shown in Fig. 2. The system parameters used are  $b_1=0.0985$ ,  $b_2=0.2956$ ,  $b_3=0.2956$ ,  $b_4=0.0985$ ,  $a_1=0.5772$ ,  $a_2=-0.4218$  and  $a_3=0.0563$ . It can be seen in Fig. 2 that  $TO_{4\infty}=TI$ . This agrees with eq. (16), since the system parameters of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> satisfy eq. (17). If we calculate  $\tau_{4\infty}$  by entering the system parameters,  $TI$ ,  $TO_0$ , and  $\tau_0$  into eq. (18), we get  $\tau_{4\infty}=-2.915$  t.u. The same value is obtained from the computer listing of the simulated  $\tau_{4\infty}=-2.915$  t.u., shown in Fig. 2. Since  $\tau_{4\infty}$  is the last in the sequence of math derivations, matching the simulated  $\tau_{4\infty}$  with the calculated  $\tau_{4\infty}$ , confirms that both the previous math and the simulation are correct.

$$TO_{k+4} = b_1 TI_{k+3} + b_2 TI_{k+2} + b_3 TI_{k+1} + b_4 TI_k + a_1 TO_{k+3} + a_2 TO_{k+2} + a_3 TO_{k+1}, \quad (28)$$

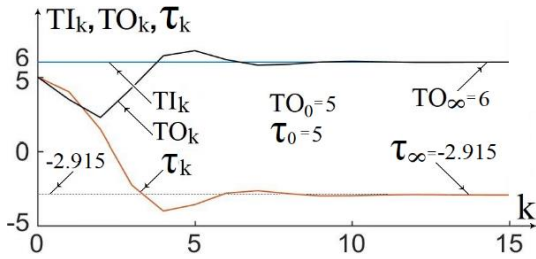


Fig. 2 –Transition and stable states of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> for the designed system parameters,  $TI$ , and the initial conditions  $TO_0$  and  $\tau_0$ .

To determine the frequency responses of  $H_{TO_4}$  and  $H_{DF_3}$ , we need vectors  $b_{TO_4}$ ,  $a_{TO_4}$ ,  $b_{DF_3}$  and  $a_{DF_3}$ , which are defined in eq. (22) and (25). Based on these vectors and using MATLAB commands `freqz(bTO4, aTO4, 1024, fs)` and `freqz(bDF3, aDF3, 1024, fs)`, IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> and IIR DF<sub>3</sub> frequency responses are determined and presented in Fig. 3 for half of the sample rate. The magnitudes of the IIR DF<sub>3</sub> and IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> are identical. Since IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> and IIR DF<sub>3</sub> are the IIR digital filters, none of their phases is linear. According to eq. (24), the ratio  $H_{TO_4}(z)=H_{DF_3}(z)z^{-1}$  means that IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> will introduce an additional output signal delay of  $-2\pi$  rad compared with the phase the digital filter makes on its output signal. Note that if we consider only half of the sample rate, this delay will be  $-\pi$  rad. It can be seen in Fig. 3 that the phases, which two systems introduced into the output signals, differ for expected  $-180^\circ$ , for half of the sample rate. This result proves that the adaptation of the fourth-order FLL<sub>4</sub> to function as a third-order IIR digital filter has been successfully realized.

To demonstrate the filtering characteristics of the Butterworth low pass IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> digital filter, let us suppose that the input period  $TI_k$  is defined as  $TI_k=6+S_1(k)+S_2(k)$  t.u., where  $S_1(k)=5\cdot\sin(2\pi/f_s\cdot f_1\cdot k)$  and  $S_2(k)=5\cdot\sin(2\pi/f_s\cdot f_2\cdot k)$ . The input periods are modulated by two sinusoidal signals  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ . Suppose that the values of frequencies are  $f_1=500$  Hz and  $f_2=4000$  Hz. Note that  $f_1$  is less than the cutoff frequency  $f_g=2000$  Hz, and  $f_2$  is more significant than  $f_g$ . The first step in this presentation is to form a vector  $\mathbf{TI}$  of 10 000 values of  $TI_k$ ,

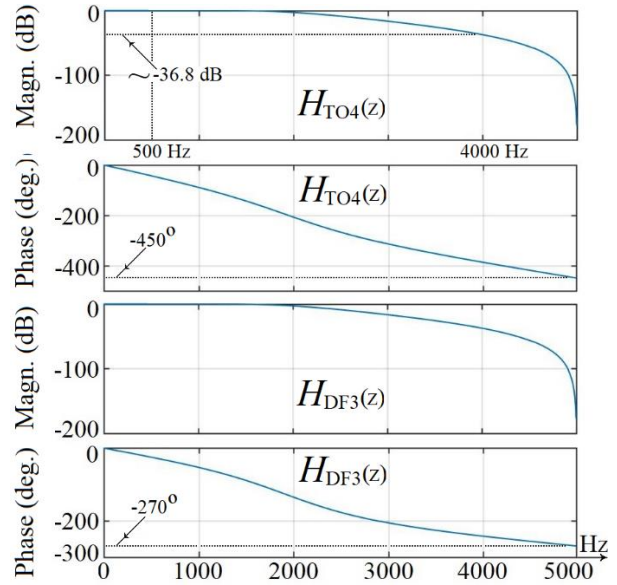


Fig. 3 –Magnitudes and phases of the frequency responses of  $H_{TO_4}(z)$  and  $H_{DF_3}(z)$ .

using the above equation for  $TI_k$ . The output period vector  $\mathbf{TO} = \text{filter}(\mathbf{bTO}, \mathbf{aTO}, \mathbf{TI})$  is determined based on the vector  $\mathbf{TI}$ . This vector was also formed in simulation based on eq. (28). After that, using the “fft” command, the input and output vectors of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> are formed as  $\mathbf{X} = \text{fft}(TI)$  and  $\mathbf{Y} = \text{fft}(TO)$ . Finally, using the command “stem”, `stem(abs(X))` and `stem(abs(Y))`, the spectrums of the input and output periods are presented in Fig. 4. These spectrums present the absolute values of the amplitudes, covering the whole sample rate. They appear as positive values in the symmetric second half of the sample rate. It is visible in Fig. 4 that signal  $S_1$  at 500 Hz is not attenuated since  $f_1$  is less than the cutoff frequency  $f_g = 2000$  Hz. This agrees with the magnitude of the IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> frequency response shown in Fig. 3, since at  $f_1=500$  Hz, the attenuation is zero. At the same time, signal  $S_2$  at 4000 Hz is suppressed for about  $-36.8$  dB in Fig. 3 because  $f_2 = 4000$  Hz is greater than the cutoff frequency  $f_g$ . It can be seen in Fig. 4 that the zero component at the frequency close to zero is not attenuated, which is also in agreement with the magnitude of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub>, shown in Fig. 3. A complete description regarding the zero component is presented in [2,3].

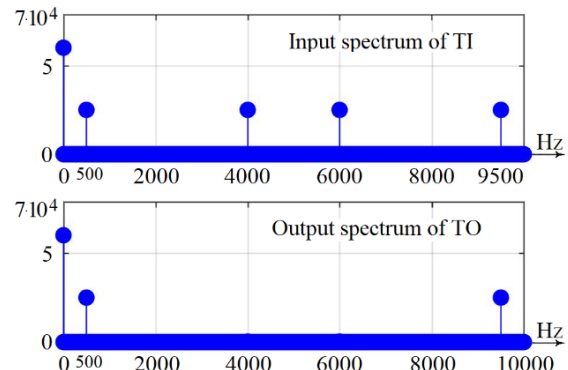


Fig. 4 – The input spectrum of  $\mathbf{TI}$  and the output spectrum of  $\mathbf{TO}$ .

To gain further insight into the physical process of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub>, we will now present the inputs and outputs of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> in the time domain, which are shown in Fig. 5. All signals in Fig. 5 are generated by the simulation of the supposed input  $TI_k$  and the output  $TO_{k+4}$ , given by eq. (28). All signals are



presented in 60 steps. The initial conditions in Fig. 5 are  $TO_0=0$  t.u.,  $\tau_0=0$  t.u. and  $TI_0=TI=6$  t.u. Signal  $S_{1k}$  is presented in Fig. 5a. Since the frequency of  $S_{1k}$  is  $f_1=500$  Hz and the sampling frequency  $f_s = 10\,000$  Hz, signal  $S_{1k}$  is sampled  $10000/500 = 20$  times per period. Figure 5a shows almost no deformation of the sinusoidal signal due to the large number of samples per period. However, if this image is enlarged, the deformation can be observed, but only in the part of the signal where its change in discrete time is minimal, *i.e.*, in its maximum and minimum values. Signal  $S_{2k}$  is presented in Fig. 5b. Since the frequency of  $S_{2k}$  is  $f_2 = 4\,000$  Hz, signal  $S_{2k}$  is sampled  $10\,000/4\,000 = 2.5$  times per period. Both  $S_{1k}$  and  $S_{2k}$  in Figs. 5a and 5b are deformed sinusoidal signals. However, the number of samples per period of  $S_{2k}$  is significantly smaller, so the  $S_{2k}$  signal is highly deformed

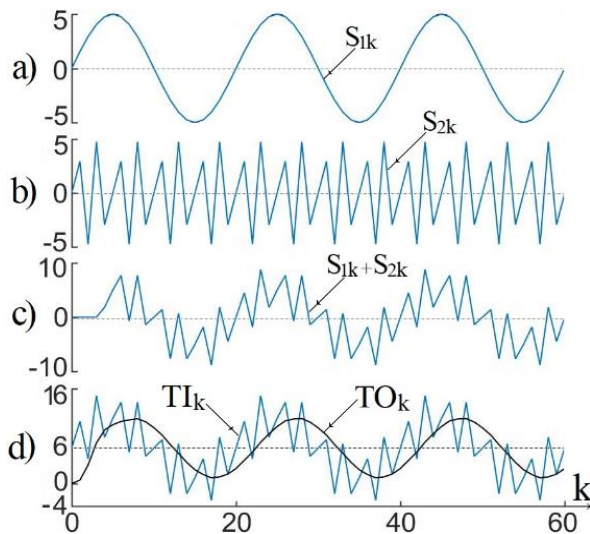


Fig. 5 – The simulation of the input and output signals of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub>, using supposed  $TI_k$  and  $TO_{k+4}$  given by eq. (28).

into needle-like shapes, which create a wider range of higher-frequency components in the frequency domain. The sum of  $S_{1k}$  and  $S_{2k}$  is shown in Fig. 5c. The input  $TI_k$ , as the sum of 6 t.u.,  $S_{1k}$  and  $S_{2k}$ , is presented together with  $TO_k$  in Fig. 5d. Figure 5d shows that the IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> generates  $TO_k$ , which is almost identical with  $S_{1k}$ , while  $S_{2k}$  signal is eliminated. This agrees with Fig. 4, where we can see that, in the output spectrum of  $TO_{k+4}$ , the component of 4 000 Hz belonging to  $S_{2k}$  has completely disappeared. The identical results of the simulations in the time domain, shown in Fig. 5, with the analysis results in the frequency domain, prove that the entire Z transform mathematical analysis of IIR FLL<sub>4</sub> and analyses in the frequency domain are correct.

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

This article, which continues [1], describes the basic theory and development approach to new time IIR digital filters to filter pulse signal periods.

This is the first article in the literature describing the general development approach to time IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> digital filter of any order, using its general equations. The article describes the methodology, procedures, math, simulation support, analysis in time and frequency domains, and all necessary general equations that develop any order IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> digital filter. Due to these general equations for IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> of any order, the procedure for their development is enormously

shorted and practically reduced to the development of the classical digital filters. If we did not use the general equations, developing the necessary equations for a higher-order IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> digital filter would be impossible without making an error due to the extensive mathematical operations.

This article, like [2] in the domain of time FIR FLL digital filters, opened wide possibilities for using IIR FLL digital filters in electronics, telecommunications, control, and measurements, which use different forms of periodic and non-periodic pulse signals. There is an obvious need to filter them in some applications.

Due to the complexity of the presented material, some additional efforts have been made to connect all segments of different presentations and analyses into a logical whole, such as mathematics, simulation, time presentations of signals, frequency responses of the transfer functions, and frequency presentations of signals for IIR FLL of the fourth order. This helps not only to prove the correctness of all the material presented but also to enable the understanding of the described physical process and to facilitate the revision simultaneously.

Compared with FIR FLL<sub>M</sub> digital filters, IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> digital filters of the same order require more calculations. Because of that, the realization of any IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> digital filter would not be possible without a microprocessor, which is necessary to perform numerous calculations.

The results of this article represent the basis for further possible development of time IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> digital filters. These results simultaneously enable the frequency analysis of all types of IIR FLLs and thus enable their more comprehensive application. However, the most likely and useful next step is to deepen the theory of time IIR FLL<sub>M</sub> digital filters or discover further methods to facilitate and shorten their development and analysis. All the novelties reached in the next steps will also apply to the classical digital filters and all discrete linear systems.

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