

Design of multiplierless 2-D sharp wideband filters using FRM and GSA

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Abstract

One of the efficient and most popular technique for designing sharp 1-D linear phase FIR filters is the Frequency Response Masking (FRM) approach. It is an effective method for the design of high speed , low power, sharp FIR digital filters with a small number of non-zero coefficients. Very recently, a modified McClellan transformation(T1 and T2) is proposed (Jie-Cherng Liu and Yang-Lung Tai, 2011) for converting 1-D linear phase FIR digital filter to 2-D digital filter, in which the transformation is completely multiplierless. So the resulting 2-D filter contains the same number of multipliers as the 1-D digital filter. In this paper, our aim is to design a 2-D linear phase FIR filter which is completely multiplierless , by designing a multiplier free 1-D linear phase FRM FIR filter and using multiplierless transformation.

Index terms— Frequency Response Masking, T1 and T2 Transformations, Canonic Signed- Digit(CSD), Gravitational Search Algorithm(GSA), Two-Dimensional (2-D) Filter

1 Introduction

The field of the two dimensional filters and their design methods have been investigated by many researchers for more than three decades and have been deployed in a variety of application scenarios. Different techniques exist for the design of 2-D linear phase FIR filters which include windowing, frequency sampling, linear programming and Chebyshev techniques (Lim, 1990). These techniques produce a better approximation to an ideal response for a given filter, but the design of the filters requires large amount of computation and it becomes complex for higher order filters. Another method called Frequency transformation method (Lim, 1990) for the design of 2-D linear phase FIR filter from a 1-D linear phase FIR filter, is simple and has high computational efficiency. As the time required by the transformation method is less, it helps to design higher order filters with modest computation time, meeting the filter specifications closely. For the implementation of a filter whose impulse response is $(N \times N)$ point, N^2 multiplications per output value are required using direct convolution, but a filter obtained by McClellan transformation can be implemented with a number of multiplications per output value which is proportional to N (Mersereau, 1976). Very recently Liu and Tai (Jie-Cherng Liu and Yang-Lung Tai, 2011) have proposed two multiplierless transformation (T1 and T2) which are capable of designing a 2-D filter with circular contour even at wideband radius. This is bestowed with the feature that, using a single transformation, a 1-D filter can be converted to its 2-D equivalent without any optimization procedures or complicated computations.

In this paper, we propose the design of a sharp multiplierless 2-D circularly symmetric, wideband filter using the transformations proposed in (Jie-Cherng Liu and Yang-Lung Tai, 2011). Sharpness is achieved by using FRM for the design of the 1-D filter. FRM technique provides a cost -effective way for the design of high speed, low power FIR digital filters, which leads to very low hardware complexity, round off noise and coefficient sensitivity (Y. C. Lim, 1986). The 1-D FRM filter is made multiplierless by representing it in the Canonic Signed Digit (CSD) space. The T1 and T2 transformations are completely multiplierless. When the digital filter coefficients are quantized to the Signed-Power-Of-Two space(SPT), multipliers can be replaced by a series of shift and add operations (R. Hartley, 1996) during the implementation. Among the various SPT forms, the

44 CSD representation is a minimal one. The advantages of CSD representation are that it decreases the number of
 45 additions/subtraction needed and handle negative multipliers (R. Hartley, 1996). After the quantization of the
 46 infinite-precision multiplier coefficient values, the resulting 1-D FRM FIR digital filter will no longer meet the
 47 initial design specifications. As a result, optimization methods have to be introduced to obtain finite precision
 48 digital filters that satisfy the design specifications closely. Over the last decades, there has been a growing interest
 49 in algorithms inspired by the behavior of natural phenomena (D.H. Kim, 2007), (K.S. ??ang,1996), (M. Dorigo,
 50 1996). There are different heuristic algorithms in the literature which resemble various physical and biological
 51 processes, such as Genetic Algorithm, Simulated Annealing (S. Kirkpatrick, 1983), Artificial Immune System (J.D.
 52 Farmer, 1986), Ant Colony Search Algorithm, Particle Swarm Optimization (J. Kennedy, 1995) etc. for solving
 53 different optimization problems. In this paper, a new population based algorithm named Gravitational Search
 54 Algorithm (GSA) (Rashedi, 2009) process of optimization, the candidate solution turns out to be integers. This
 55 multiplierless 1-D filter is in-turn converted to a 2-D multiplierless filter by using multiplierless transformation
 56 like T1 or T2. It is found that the magnitude response specifications using this algorithm are better than those
 57 obtained with other optimization algorithms like integer coded GA (Manoj, 2009). The paper is organized as
 58 follows. Section II gives an overview of frequency response masking. In Section III, the T1 and T2 transformation
 59 is briefed. Section IV gives an overview of the GSA algorithm. The design of 1-D multiplierless FRM linear
 60 phase filter is discussed Section V. Section VI illustrates the proposed design of multiplier-less 2-D FRM filter
 61 using the modified GSA algorithm. The results and discussions are done in Section VII and Section VIII gives
 62 the conclusions.

63 **2 II.**

64 **3 Frequency Response Masking**

65 As the filter length is inversely proportional to the width of the transition band, higher order filters are needed for
 66 the implementation of narrow transition width FIR filters. Frequency response masking technique is an effective
 67 method for the design of high speed, low power, sharp FIR digital filters. It is suitable for implementing linear
 68 phase, arbitrary passband sharp FIR filters (Y. C. Lim, 1986) with a few number of nonzero coefficients. The
 69 computational complexity of the FRM is considerably small compared with the complexity of the filter designed
 70 using the traditional minimax approach having equivalent frequency response. Since multipliers are the most
 71 power consuming elements in a filter, reducing the number of multipliers is equivalent to reducing the power
 72 consumption and chip area. Due to these advantages, FRM has been deployed in a wide range of applications
 73 like FPGA, audio processing, beam-forming etc (Lu, W.S, Hinamoto, 2008). The basic block diagram of the
 74 overall FRM filter using several subfilters is shown in Fig (1).

75 The narrow transition width of FRM results from the interpolated version of prototype filter $F_a(z^M)$, derived
 76 by replacing each delay element of $F_a(z)$ by M delay elements and $F_c(z^M)$ is its complementary version obtained
 77 by subtracting the output of $F_a(z^M)$ from a suitably delayed version of the input. There are two parallel branches
 78 each of which is composed of an interpolated model filter in cascade with masking filters $F_{Ma}(z)$ and $F_{Mc}(z)$
 79 respectively. Interpolation leads to the imaging of the frequency response along with reduction of the passband
 80 and transition band by a factor of M . Masking filters are used to select the useful part of $F_a(z^M)$ and $F_c(z^M)$.
 81 Addition of two masked responses gives the response of a sharp wideband FIR filter.

82 **4 IV. GRAVITATIONAL SEARCH ALGORITHM**

83 Rashedi, proposed a new heuristic optimization algorithm named GSA in 2009. GSA is based on Newtonian Law
 84 of gravity and motion. GSA can be considered as an artificial world of masses, where every mass represents a
 85 solution of the problem. In this method, agents are considered as masses and every mass attract each other by
 86 the gravity force and this force causes a movement of all objects towards the object with heavier mass which
 87 is the optimum solution. Exploration and exploitation phase are carried out using the rules of gravity and
 88 mass interaction. The members of a population-based search algorithm undergo three steps in each iteration to
 89 realize the concepts of exploration and exploitation: self-adaptation, cooperation and competition. In the self-
 90 adaptation step, each member (agent) improves its performance. In the cooperation step, members collaborate
 91 with each other by information transferring. Finally, in the competition step, members compete to survive. The
 92 heavy masses which correspond to a good solution move more slowly than the lighter ones which guarantee the
 93 exploitation.

94 In GSA, each mass has four specifications: position in d -th dimension, inertial mass, active gravitational
 95 mass and passive gravitational mass. The position of a mass corresponds to the solution of the optimization
 96 problem and its gravitational and inertial masses are determined by the fitness function. Each mass represents a
 97 solution and the algorithm is navigated by properly adjusting gravitational and inertial masses. As the algorithm
 98 proceeds, the masses will be attracted by the heaviest mass which gives an optimum solution in the search space.
 99 GSA provides a good optimum solution for the problem in a higher dimensional search space.

163 Step 2 : Fitness evaluation and the best fitness computation

164 In our problem, the fitness function is identified with the approximation error as given by eq.(??). Compute
165 the fitness for all agents in each iteration and also find the best and worst fitnesses at each iteration as given
166 below. Since our optimization problem is a minimization type, we have

167 Step 3 : Compute the gravitational constant G Due to the effect of the decrease in the gravity, the true value
168 of the gravitational constant depends on the age of the universe and there is a decrease in the gravitational
169 constant G with the age. Gravitational constant G at each iteration 't' is computed by the following equation (R.
170 Mansouri, 1999) G_0 is set to 100, is taken as 20 and T is the total number of iterations.

171 Step 4 : Calculate the mass of the agents For each filter coefficient, the gravitational and inertial masses are
172 calculated at each iteration by the following equations. Consider $M_{ai} = M_{pi} = M_{ii}$, $i=1,2,?N$ where M_{ai} ,
173 M_{pi} and M_{ii} represents the active gravitational mass, passive gravitational mass and inertia mass respectively
174 of the i-th agent (Rashedi, 2009).

175 Step 5 : Compute the acceleration of the agents According to the law of motion, the acceleration of the i-th
176 agent at time t in the d-th dimension is given by is the total force acting on agent 'i' in a dimension of d . To give
177 a stochastic nature to the algorithm, it can be expressed as a randomly weighted sum of the d-th components of
178 the forces exerted from other agents. rand_j is a random number in the interval $[0,1]$.

179 For controlling the exploration and exploitation, which decreases the performance of GSA, 'Kbest' agents can
180 be selected which attract each other. 'Kbest'

181 is the set of the first k agents with the best fitness value and the biggest mass. $F_{ij d}(t)$ is the force acting on
182 mass 'i' from mass 'j' at time t in the d-th dimension $R_{ij}(t)$ is the Euclidian distance between two agents i and
183 j , is a small constant.

184 Step 6 : Update the velocity and position of the agents The velocity of agent in the next iteration ($t+1$) can
185 be represented as a fraction of its current velocity added to its acceleration. The new position and velocity of
186 the agents can be calculated as corresponds to the rounding to lower value. This operation ensures that the new
187 candidate solution turns out to be integers. Yet another modification is done to the new position so that any
188 encoded filter coefficient falls within the boundary of the look up table. If $x_{id}(t+1) > v_{ub}$ then $x_{id}(t+1)=v_{ub}$
189 and if $x_{id}(t+1) < v_{lb}$ then $x_{id}(t+1)=v_{lb}$ where v_{ub} and v_{lb} represent the upper and lower bound of
190 the CSD look up table respectively.

191 Step 7: Repeat step 2-6 until the iterations reach its limit. The best fitness is obtained and the position of
192 the corresponding agent is the global solution. Obtain the best solution and it corresponds to the solution with
193 the least approximation error. The best solution is decoded using the look up table to obtain the optimal FRM
194 filter in the CSD space.

195 6 VI. Proposed Design of 2-d Multiplierless Filter

196 In this paper, the design of sharp wideband multiplierless 2-D linear phase filter is proposed. The block diagram
197 of the proposed design is shown in Fig. ??.

198 7 simulation results

199 The proposed method was used to design a 2-D sharp wideband lowpass filter whose design specifications are
200 given below: where $s=0.01$.

201 8 Case-1

202 By using T1 transformation with $k=1$, $p=0.8$ and $s=0.81$. The bandedges of the 1D prototype filter to be
203 designed are found as $p=0.7944$, $s=0.8013$. Proposed GSA was used to design the 1-D multiplierless FRM filter
204 and the maximum number of iterations and the number of agents are taken to be 100 and 50 respectively. GA
205 (Manoj, 2009) was also used for the above design for comparison purpose and parameters are Popkeep fraction=
206 0.2, MuteRate= 0.01, Elite count=5 and Iterations=100. Fig. 6 shows the magnitude response of the continuous
207 coefficient 1-D FRM filter, the magnitude response of the 1-D filter before and after GSA optimization are shown
208 in Fig. 7. The magnitude response and contour of the 2-D multiplierless lowpass filter using T1 transformation
209 ($k=1$) is shown in Fig. 8 and 9 respectively.

210 9 Conclusion

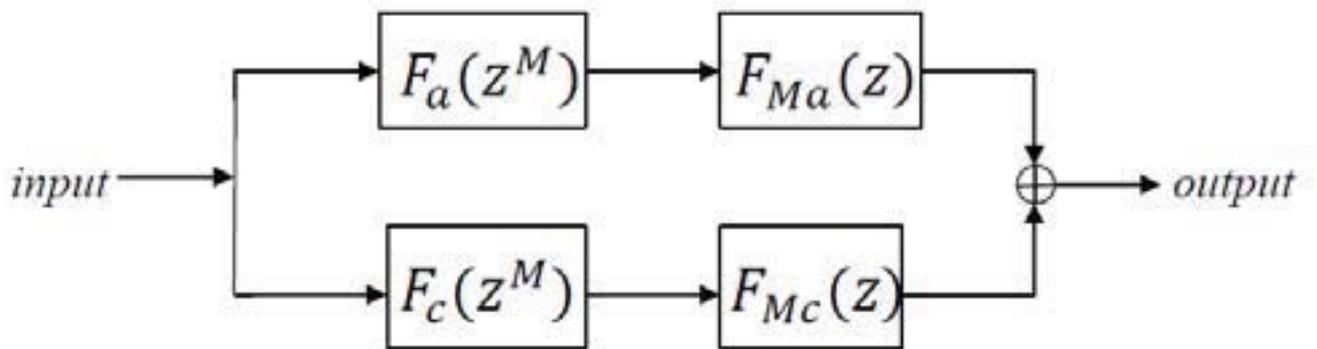
211 A new approach for the design of 2-D multiplierless sharp FIR filter is proposed. First of all a 1-D sharp FIR
212 filter is designed using FRM technique. It results in a 1-D filter with sparse coefficients. The resulting 1-D filter
213 is converted to the CSD space using a new discrete optimization. This optimization is based on a modified GSA.
214 GSA has been modified in such a way that during the course of optimization the candidate solution turns out to
215 be integers. This multiplierless 1-D filter is in-turn transformed to 2-D domain using the recently proposed T1
216 and T2 transformations. The resulting approach for the design of 2-D multiplierless filter is bestowed with the
217 features of reduced computational complexity and computational time. ¹

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Figure 1: Fig. 1 :



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Figure 2: Fig. 2 :

$$H(\Omega) = \sum_{n=0}^N a(n) \cos \Omega n \quad (1)$$

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Figure 3: Fig. 3 :

$$a(n) = \begin{cases} h(0), & \text{for } n = 0 \\ 2h(n), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Figure 4: Fig. 4 :

$$H(\Omega) = \sum_{n=0}^N a(n)T_n [f(\omega_1, \omega_2)] \quad (2)$$

Figure 5:

$$f(\omega_1, \omega_2) = 2[\cos(\omega_1/2) \cos(\omega_2/2)]^{2k} - 1 \quad (3)$$

Figure 6:

$$f(\omega_1, \omega_2) = 2g_1(\omega_1, \omega_2) \times g_2(\omega_1, \omega_2) - 1 \quad (4)$$

Figure 7: (14)Fig. 5 :

$$g_1(\omega_1, \omega_2) = (\cos(\omega_1/2) \cos(\omega_2/2))^{2k} \quad (5)$$

Figure 8: Fig. 6 :

7 $\frac{4}{n}$

Figure 9: Fig. 7 :

 $\frac{4}{n}$

Figure 10:

$$a(n) = \begin{cases} h(0), f_t \\ 2h(n), o_t \end{cases}$$

Figure 11: Fig. 8 :

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Figure 12: Fig. 10 :

$$f(\omega_1, \omega_2) = g_1(\omega_1, \omega_2) \times f_2(\omega_1, \omega_2) - 1 \quad (7)$$

Figure 13: Table 1 :Fig. 12 :Fig. 13 :

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