

# UNIT-2

## (Lecture-2)

**Design of Infinite Impulse Response Digital Filters:  
Approximation of Derivatives**

# Approximation of Derivatives

In this method an analog filter is converted into a digital filter by approximating the differential equation by an equivalent difference equation. The backward difference formula is substituted for the derivative  $dy(t)/dt$  at time  $t = nT$ .

Thus,

$$\left. \frac{dy(t)}{dt} \right|_{t=nT} = \frac{y(nT) - y(nT - T)}{T} = \frac{y(n) - y(n-1)}{T} \text{-----(1)}$$

Where  $T$  is the sampling interval and  $y(n) = y(nT)$ .  
The system function of an analog differentiator with

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an output  $dy/dt$  is  $H(s)=s$ , and the digital system that produces the output  $[y(n)-y(n-1)/T]$  has the system function  $H(z)=(1-z^{-1})/T$ . These two can be compared to get the frequency domain equivalent for the relationship in eq(1) as

$$s = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{T}$$

The second derivative  $d^2 y(t)/dt^2$  is replaced by the second backward difference

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} \right|_{t=nT} &= \frac{d}{dT} \left[ \left. \frac{dy(t)}{dt} \right]_{t=nT} \right. \\ &= \frac{[y(nT) - y(nT - T)]/T - [y(nT - T) - y(nT - 2T)]/T}{T} \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{y(n) - 2y(n-1) + y(n-2)}{T^2}$$

The equivalent to above equation in frequency domain is

$$s^2 = \frac{1 - 2z^{-1} + z^{-2}}{T^2} = \left( \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{T} \right)^2$$

The  $i^{\text{th}}$  derivative of  $y(t)$  results in equivalent frequency domain relationship

$$s^i = \left( \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{T} \right)^i$$

As a result the digital filter system function can be obtained by the method of approximation of the derivatives as

$$H(z) = H_a(s) \big|_{s=(1-z^{-1})/T}$$

Where  $H_a(s)$  is the system function of the analog filter characterized by the differential equation.

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**Example:** Use the backward difference for the derivative to convert the analog low pass filter with system function

$$H(s) = 1/(s+2)$$

**Solution:**

The mapping formula for the backward difference for the derivative is given by  $s = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{T}$

The system response of the digital filter is

$$\begin{aligned} H(z) &= H(s) \Big|_{s = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{T}} = \frac{1}{\left( \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{T} \right) + 2} \\ &= \frac{T}{1 - z^{-1} + 2T} \end{aligned}$$