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#### Invited

### Analog / Mixed-Signal / RF Circuits for Complex Signal Processing

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### Why My Research for Complex Signal Processing ?

#### About 15 years ago



at IEEE International Solid-State Circuits Conference San Francisco, CA

The most prestigious conference in IC design

Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (KU Leuven), Belgium World top research group in analog IC design

presentation

Some simple circuit with curious characteristics (RC polyphase filter)

However,

I could not understand its principle



## **Complex Signal**

There is NO physical complex signal. It is only defined mathematically.

2 real signals: I, Q

I: In-Phase, **Q**: Quadrature-Phase

- $V_{signal} = I + jQ \quad Complex Signal$  $V_{image} = I jQ \quad Image$ iftild for all the second states of the second
- $Q = [V_{signal} V_{image}]/(2 j)$



Gauss plane



### **Basic Complex Signal Processing Block**



$$\begin{split} \dot{Y} &= \dot{A} \cdot \dot{X} \\ Y_{I} + jY_{Q} &= (A_{I} + jA_{Q}) \cdot (X_{I} + jX_{Q}) \\ &= (A_{I} \cdot X_{I} - A_{Q} \cdot X_{Q}) \\ &+ j \cdot (A_{I} \cdot X_{Q} + A_{Q} \cdot X_{I}) \end{split}$$

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H. Kobayashi, J. Kang, T. Kitahara, S. Takigami, H. Sakamura, "Explicit Transfer Function of RC Polyphase Filter for Wireless Transceiver Analog Front-End", IEEE Asia-Pacific Conference on ASICs, Taipei, Taiwan (Aug. 2002).

## **Goal of First Research**

- To establish systematic design and analysis methods of RC polyphase filters.
- As its first step,

to derive explicit transfer functions of the 1st-, 2nd- and 3rd-order RC polyphase filters.

## Features of RC Polyphase Filter

- Its input and output are complex signal.
- Passive RC analog filter
- One of key components in wireless transceiver analog front-end
  - I, Q signal generation
  - Image rejection
- Its explicit transfer function was NOT derived yet at that time.

## First-order RC Polyphase Filter



I: In-Phase, Q: Quadrature-Phase

Differential Complex Input:Vin = Iin + j QinDifferential Complex Output:Vout = Iout + j Qout

## I, Q Signal Generation



## Cosine, Sine Signals in Receiver



They are used for down conversion

## Problem when $\omega_{LO} \neq 1/R_1C_1$



## 2<sup>nd</sup>-order RC Polyphase Filter

The problem of large difference between lout, Qout amplitudes can be alleviated.

 $\omega_{\scriptscriptstyle LO}$ 



## 3<sup>rd</sup>-order RC Polyphase Filter

The amplitude difference problem is further alleviated.





## Pure I, Q Signal Generation

#### 3<sup>rd</sup>-order harmonics rejection



With 3<sup>rd</sup>-order harmonics.

Without 3<sup>rd</sup>-order harmonics.

### Simulation of 3<sup>rd</sup>-order Harmonics Rejection

$$I_{in}(t) = \cos(\omega_{LO}t) + a\cos^{3}(\omega_{LO}t)$$
$$Q_{in}(t) = \sin(\omega_{LO}t) + a\sin^{3}(\omega_{LO}t)$$

$$3\omega_{LO} = \frac{1}{R_1 C_1}$$

$$I_{out}(t) = A\cos(\omega_{LO}t + \theta)$$
$$Q_{out}(t) = A\sin(\omega_{LO}t + \theta)$$



## Image Rejection Filter



$$Ae^{j\omega t} + Be^{-j\omega t}$$
  $Ae^{j\omega t}$ 

#### signal image

### **Complex Transfer Function**

- Complex Signal Theory
- Complex input
- Complex output

$$V_{in}(j\omega) = I_{in} + j \cdot Q_{in}$$
$$V_{out}(j\omega) = I_{out} + j \cdot Q_{out}$$

Complex
 Transfer Function

$$G(j\omega) = \frac{V_{out}(j\omega)}{V_{in}(j\omega)}$$

### Signals in RC Polyphase Filter

#### **Differential signal**

$$I_{in}(t) = I_{in+}(t) - I_{in-}(t)$$
  

$$Q_{in}(t) = Q_{in+}(t) - Q_{in-}(t)$$
  

$$I_{out}(t) = I_{out+}(t) - I_{out-}(t)$$
  

$$Q_{out}(t) = Q_{out+}(t) - Q_{out-}(t)$$

Complex signal

$$V_{in}(t) = I_{in}(t) + jQ_{in}(t)$$
$$V_{out}(t) = I_{out}(t) + jQ_{out}(t)$$



### Transfer Function of RC Polyphase Filter



### Explanation of I, Q Signal Generation by $G_1(j\omega)$

$$Q_{in}(t) \equiv 0, \qquad I_{in}(t) = \cos(\omega t)$$

$$V_{in}(t) = I_{in}(t) + j \quad Q_{in}(t) = \cos(\omega t) = \frac{1}{2} [e^{j\omega t} + e^{-j\omega t}]$$

$$V_{out}(t) = \frac{1}{2} [|G_1(j\omega)|e^{j(\omega t + \angle G_1(j\omega))} + |G_1(-j\omega)|e^{j(-\omega t + \angle G_1(-j\omega))}]$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos\left(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \frac{j\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{4})$$
Here
$$|G_1(-j\omega)|e^{j(-\omega t + \angle G_1(-j\omega))}] = 0$$

$$|G_1(j\omega)|_{\omega=\frac{1}{RC}} = 0$$
,  $|G_1(j\omega)|_{\omega=\frac{1}{RC}} = \sqrt{2}$ ,  $\angle G_1(j\omega) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$ 

## **Component Mismatch Case**



 $\begin{array}{l} \Delta R_{1Q^+}, \Delta R_{1Q^-}, \Delta R_{1I^+}, \Delta R_{1I^-} : \text{Resistor variation} \\ \Delta C_{1Q^+}, \Delta C_{1Q^-}, \Delta C_{1I^+}, \Delta C_{1I^-} : \text{Capacitor variation} \end{array}$ 

## $\mathbf{\hat{\nabla}}$

I, Q paths mismatch

## **Component Mismatch Effect**



Derived by Y. Niki, Gunma University

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#### Transfer Function of 2<sup>nd</sup>-order RC Polyphase Filter

#### **Transfer Function**

$$G_2(j\omega) = \frac{(1+\omega R_1 C_1)(1+\omega R_2 C_2)}{1-\omega^2 R_1 C_1 R_2 C_2 + j\omega (C_1 R_1 + C_2 R_2 + 2R_1 C_2)}$$

#### Derivation is very complicated, so we used "Mathematica."



### Need for Flat Passband Gain Algorithm

#### **Transfer Function**

$$G_2(j\omega) = \frac{(1+\omega R_1 C_1)(1+\omega R_2 C_2)}{1-\omega^2 R_1 C_1 R_2 C_2 + j\omega (C_1 R_1 + C_2 R_2 + 2R_1 C_2)}$$



### Four Design Parameters



4 parameters :  $R_1, R_2, C_1, C_2$ 

$$\omega_1 = \frac{1}{R_1 C_1}, \omega_2 = \frac{1}{R_2 C_2}, X = \frac{1}{R_2 C_1}, Y = \frac{1}{R_1 C_2}$$
  
4 constraints

### Two Constraints from Filter Spec.



• 2 zeros : 
$$-\omega_1 = \frac{-1}{R_1 C_1}$$
 ,  $-\omega_2 = \frac{-1}{R_2 C_2}$ 

are given from the filter specification.

#### Proposed Algorithm Uses Third Constraint



• We use the third constraint  $X = \frac{1}{R_2 C_1}$  for passpand gain flattening.

The fourth constraint is left for ease of IC realization.

### Nyquist Chart of G<sub>2</sub>(jω)



|G2(jω1)|=|G2(jω2)|

But in general

 $|G_2(j\omega_1)| = |G_2(j\omega_2)| = |G_2(j\vee\omega_1\omega_2)|$ 

#### Our Idea for Flat Passband Gain Algorithm



If we make  $|G_2(j\omega_1)| = |G_2(j\omega_2)| = |G_2(j\sqrt{\omega_1\omega_2})|$ , Passband gain becomes flat from  $\omega_1$  to  $\omega_2$ .

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### **Research Objective**



Analyze RC polyphase filter

#### We found that relevance between RC polyphase filter and Hilbert filter

## Hilbert Filter

#### Characteristics

- Hilbert transform
- I input and 2 outputs

#### It is often implemented in digital filter



#### Cosine, Sine Generation with Hilbert Filter



2 cos(ωt)

## Hilbert Transform

Complex signal from real signal x(t) $x(t) \rightarrow x(t) + jy(t)$ 

Hilbert transform

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x(\tau)}{t-\tau} d\tau = x(t) * \frac{1}{\pi t}$$



David Hilbert 1862-1943

Impulse response Fourier Transform

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{\pi t} \quad \text{Fourier} \quad H(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \begin{cases} -\boldsymbol{j} \ (\boldsymbol{\omega} > \boldsymbol{0}) \\ \boldsymbol{j} \ (\boldsymbol{\omega} < \boldsymbol{0}) \end{cases}$$

Frequency characteristic  $H(\omega)$ 

$$Y(\omega) = H(\omega)X(\omega) = \begin{cases} -jX(\omega) & (\omega > 0) \\ jX(\omega) & (\omega < 0) \end{cases}$$



#### 1<sup>st</sup> order RC Polyphase Filter: Analysis

$$H_1(j\omega) = \frac{1 + \omega R_1 C_1}{1 + j\omega R_1 C_1}$$

: Transfer function





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#### 1<sup>st</sup> order RC Polyphase Filter : Gain and Phase



### 1<sup>st</sup> order case Analysis Results



#### Results: 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> RC Polyphase Filter



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### Analysis Results and Consideration

1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> order RC Polyphase Filter Analysis results

Gain : Hilbert filter only at zeros

Phase : Completely Hilbert filter



### Order and Gain



The higher orders,

the number of zeros increases;

|*Hre*| and |*Him*| becomes close in wide range



Close to ideal Hilbert transform

### Order and Phase



Phase characteristic is not changed

There is always 90 phase difference

Fulfill Hilbert transform in full range

### Summary of RCPF and Hilbert Filter



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### Gm : Transconductance



## **Complex Bandpass Gm-C Filter**



### Gain of Complex Bandpass Gm-C Filter



### **Complex Bandpass Active RC Filter**



Transfer functions of complex bandpass Gm-C and active RC filters are the same.

## **Our Investigation Results**

Gain : Poor Hilbert filter characteristics for both pass and stop bands Phase : Hilbert filter only at large  $|\omega|$ 



Poor Hilbert filter characteristics of active complex bandpass filters

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### **Receiver Architecture Comparison**

 $RF \rightarrow Baseband$ 

#### **Direct conversion receiver**



Zero-IF ⇒ No mage Problem of DC offset, flicker noise RF → Low-IF No problem of DC offset, flicker noise. Image as well as signal are AD converted ⇒ Power is wasted

#### Low-IF receiver Conventional Low-IF fio Image offset 1/f noise Signal DC Frequency Quadrature-IF ŤLO Low-IF offset 1/f noise Signal DC Frequency

Image is not AD converted.

#### **Complex Bandpass Delta-Sigma AD Modulator**



#### Proposed Complex Bandpass ΔΣ AD Modulator Configuration



- I, Q paths mismatch reduction
- Complex bandpass DWA algorithm for multi-bit DACs

### Chip Implementation & Measurement



Technology	0.18-µm CMOS 1P6M
Supply voltage	2.8V
Sampling Frequency	20MHz
SNDR	64.5dB @ BW=78kHz
Power consumption	28.4mw
Active area	1.4mm*1.3mm

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### IC Testing with Complex Multi-tone Signal

(I) Image Rejection Ratio Testing of Communication ICs



Negative freq. (input) Positive freq. (output)



## **Complex Resonator**



## **Complex N-Band DWA Algorithm**



- Attach pointers
- Exchange upper-path and lower-path every N clock

## Multi-tone Signal Generator



This work was done by Mr. Masahiro Murakami.

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## Our Recent Research Results

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# Thank you for listening



#### 諸葛孔明 八卦 陣 may be complex.





But complex signal processing is NOT complex.

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## Appendix

## Hilbert Filter Impulse Response



Imaginary part of impulse response for Hilbert filter

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \cos(2\pi ft) df = \frac{1}{2} \delta(t) \longrightarrow \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{2\pi ft} df = \frac{1}{2} \left( \delta(t) + \frac{j}{\pi t} \right)$$
$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \sin(2\pi ft) df = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\pi t} \longrightarrow$$

## By Product : Division by 0

$$s(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sin(n\omega_0 t) = 1/(\pi \cdot t)$$
  $\frac{1}{0} = 0$ 



DIVISION BY ZERO CALCULUS (Draft)

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March 10, 2019

Note that the identity

$$\int_0^\infty \sin(2\pi t\xi) d\xi = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{t},$$

so, for t = 0, the both should be zero (H. Kobayashi: 2019.3.9.10:49).

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### **Delta Function and Cosine Waves**



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