

4.11 The group delay is defined  $\tau_{ga} = -\frac{\partial\Phi_a(\omega T)}{\partial\omega}$

and the group delay for the digital filter is defined  $\tau_{gd} = -\frac{\partial\Phi_d(\omega T)}{\partial\omega}$

The relation between the phase of the analog and digital filter is

$$\Phi_d(\omega T) = \Phi_a(\omega_a) = \Phi_a\left(\frac{2}{T} \tan\left(\frac{\omega T}{2}\right)\right)$$

We get:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{gd}(\omega T) &= -\frac{\partial\Phi_d(\omega T)}{\partial\omega} = -\frac{\partial\Phi_a(\omega_a)}{\partial\omega_a} \frac{\partial\omega_a}{\partial\omega} = \\ \tau_{gd}(\omega T) &= \tau_{ga}(\omega_a) \frac{\frac{2}{T}}{\cos^2\left(\frac{\omega T}{2}\right)} \frac{T}{2} = \frac{\tau_{ga}\left(\frac{2}{T} \tan\left(\frac{\omega T}{2}\right)\right)}{\cos^2\left(\frac{\omega T}{2}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

The group delay of the digital filter is distorted since the frequency axis is distorted according to Eq.(4.20) and because of the factor  $\cos^2\left(\frac{\omega T}{2}\right)$  in the denominator.