

**Example 7-7:** One property of the transition width is that it can be controlled by changing the filter order. There is an approximate inverse relationship, so doubling the order reduces the transition width by roughly one half. We can test this idea on the length-25 rectangular window LPF in Fig. ??(b) which has an order equal to 24. If we design a new LPF that has the same cutoff frequency,  $\hat{\omega}_{co} = 0.4\pi$ , but twice the order (i.e.,  $M = 48$ ), then we can repeat the measurement of the bandedges  $\hat{\omega}_p$ ,  $\hat{\omega}_s$ , and the transition width  $\Delta\hat{\omega}$ .

Filter	Order: $M$	$\hat{\omega}_p$	$\hat{\omega}_s$	$\Delta\hat{\omega}$
Rect	24	$0.3646\pi$	$0.4383\pi$	$0.0737\pi$
Rect	48	$0.3824\pi$	$0.4192\pi$	$0.0368\pi$
Rect	96	$0.3909\pi$	$0.4100\pi$	$0.0191\pi$
Hamming	24	$0.2596\pi$	$0.5361\pi$	$0.2765\pi$
Hamming	48	$0.3308\pi$	$0.4687\pi$	$0.1379\pi$
Hamming	96	$0.3660\pi$	$0.4340\pi$	$0.0680\pi$

Comparing the values of  $\Delta\hat{\omega}$ , the ratio is  $(0.0737\pi)/(0.0368\pi) = 2.003$ . Doubling the order once more to  $M = 96$  gives a transition width of  $0.0191\pi$ , so the ratio is  $(0.0737\pi)/(0.0191\pi) = 3.86 \approx 4$ . For the Hamming window case, the measured transition width for  $M = 48$  is  $\Delta\hat{\omega} = 0.1379\pi$ , and for  $M = 96$ ,  $\Delta\hat{\omega} = 0.0680\pi$ . The ratios of  $0.2765\pi$  to  $0.1379\pi$  and  $0.0680\pi$  are 2.005 and 4.066 which matches the approximate inverse relationship expected.

