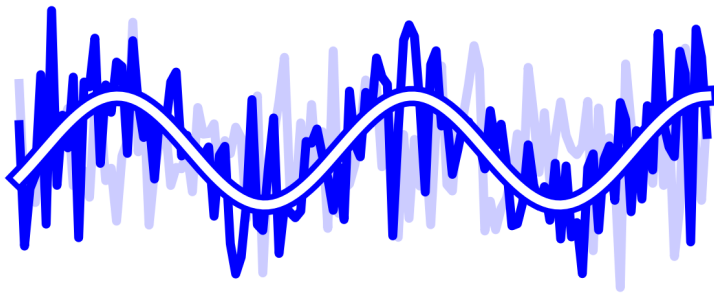


# 6.300: Signal Processing

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## Quiz Review

- Quiz #2 is in [Walker \(50-340\)](#) on [Tuesday, 04/15](#) at [2:00 p.m.](#)
- You may bring two 8.5"  $\times$  11" double-sided pages of notes.
- The review during class on [Thursday, 04/10](#) will emphasize problem-solving strategies. Look over these slides on your own.



# The Story So Far

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# The Story So Far

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## Discrete Fourier Transform

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(There are many more applications and extensions yet to come.)

# Calculus Analogy

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You wouldn't want to walk into a calculus quiz without knowing

$$\frac{d \sin(\theta)}{d\theta} = \cos(\theta)$$

by heart, right? Going back to the derivation wastes precious time!

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\theta + \phi) - \sin(\theta)}{\phi} \\ & \lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) + \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) - \sin(\theta)}{\phi} \\ & \lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\left[ \frac{\sin(\phi)}{\phi} \right]}_{1 \text{ as } \phi \rightarrow 0} \cos(\theta) + \lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\left[ \frac{\cos(\phi) - 1}{\phi} \right]}_{0 \text{ as } \phi \rightarrow 0} \sin(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

# Calculus Analogy

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To do well on a **calculus** quiz,  
you probably need to know at least a few things by heart.

**common functions** and their **derivatives**

$$\frac{d(t^n)}{dt} = nt^{n-1} \quad \frac{d(e^{\lambda t})}{dt} = \lambda e^{\lambda t} \quad \frac{d \sin(t)}{dt} = \cos(t)$$

**differentiation rules**

$$\frac{d[c_1 f(t) + c_2 g(t)]}{dt} = c_1 \frac{df}{dt} + c_2 \frac{dg}{dt} \quad \frac{dg(f(t))}{dt} = \frac{dg}{df} \cdot \frac{df}{dt}$$

# Calculus Analogy

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To do well on a [signal processing](#) quiz,  
you probably need to know at least a few things by heart.

[common signals](#) and their [Fourier transforms](#)

$$\delta[n - n_0] \iff e^{-j\Omega n_0} \quad e^{j\Omega_0 n} \iff 2\pi\delta((\Omega - \Omega_0) \bmod 2\pi)$$

[Fourier properties](#)

$$c_1 x_1[n] + c_2 x_2[n] \iff c_1 X_1(\Omega) + c_2 X_2(\Omega)$$

$$x[n - n_0] \iff e^{-j\Omega n_0} X(\Omega)$$

$$e^{j\Omega_0 n} x[n] \iff X(\Omega - \Omega_0)$$

# Fourier Transforms (CT)

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time domain  $\iff$  frequency domain

$$\delta(t) \iff 1$$

$$\delta(t - t_0) \iff e^{-j\omega t_0}$$

$$1 \iff 2\pi\delta(\omega)$$

$$e^{j\omega_0 t} \iff 2\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0)$$

**Duality:** Notice the common trend in transform pairs.

$$x(t) \iff X(\omega)$$

$$X(t) \iff 2\pi x(-\omega)$$

# Fourier Transforms (DT)

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All discrete-time Fourier transforms are  $2\pi$ -periodic.

**time domain**  $\iff$  **frequency domain**

$$\delta[n] \iff 1$$

$$\delta[n - n_0] \iff e^{-j\Omega n_0}$$

$$1 \iff 2\pi\delta(\Omega \bmod 2\pi)$$

$$e^{j\Omega_0 n} \iff 2\pi\delta((\Omega - \Omega_0) \bmod 2\pi)$$

**Duality:** Not so easy with discrete-time Fourier transforms.  
 $x[n]$  is discrete in time, but  $X(\Omega)$  is continuous in frequency!



# Some Fourier Properties

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time domain	$\iff$	frequency domain
$c_1 x_1[n] + c_2 x_2[n]$	$\iff$	$c_1 X_1(\Omega) + c_2 X_2(\Omega)$
$(x_1 * x_2)[n]$	$\iff$	$X_1(\Omega) X_2(\Omega)$
$x_1[n] x_2[n]$	$\iff$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} (X_1 * X_2)(\Omega)$
$x[-n]$	$\iff$	$X(-\Omega)$
$x[nM]$	$\iff$	$X(\frac{\Omega}{M})$
$x[n - n_0]$	$\iff$	$e^{-j\Omega n_0} X(\Omega)$
$e^{j\Omega_0 n} x[n]$	$\iff$	$X(\Omega - \Omega_0)$
$n x[n]$	$\iff$	$j \frac{d}{d\Omega} X(\Omega)$
$\frac{d}{dt} x(t)$	$\iff$	$j\omega X(\omega)$

# Check Yourself

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Determine the Fourier transforms of the signals listed below.  
(Apply Fourier properties to reduce the number of calculations.)

$$\text{(a)} \quad x_1(t) = e^{-t}u(t)$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad x_2(t) = e^{-|t|}$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad x_3(t) = 2e^{-|t|} \cos(t)$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad x_4(t) = 4e^{-|t|} \cos^2(t)$$

# Check Yourself

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$$(a) \ x_1(t) = e^{-t}u(t)$$

Directly compute the Fourier transform.

$$\begin{aligned} X_1(\omega) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(1+j\omega)t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{1+j\omega} \end{aligned}$$

# Check Yourself

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$$(b) \ x_2(t) = e^{-|t|}$$

$$x_2(t) = \frac{1}{2}x_1(t) + \frac{1}{2}x_1(-t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} X_2(\omega) &= \frac{1}{2}X_1(\omega) + \frac{1}{2}X_1(-\omega) \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + \omega^2} \end{aligned}$$

# Check Yourself

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$$(c) \ x_3(t) = 2e^{-|t|} \cos(t)$$

$$x_3(t) = x_2(t) \cdot 2 \cos(t)$$

$$= x_2(t) \cdot (e^{jt} + e^{-jt})$$

$$X_3(\omega) = X_2(\omega) * [\delta(\omega - 1) + \delta(\omega + 1)]$$

$$= X_2(\omega - 1) + X_2(\omega + 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + (\omega - 1)^2} + \frac{1}{1 + (\omega + 1)^2}$$

# Check Yourself

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$$(d) \ x_4(t) = 4e^{-|t|} \cos^2(t)$$

$$x_4(t) = x_3(t) \cdot 2 \cos(t)$$

$$= x_3(t) \cdot (e^{jt} + e^{-jt})$$

$$X_4(\omega) = X_3(\omega) * [\delta(\omega - 1) + \delta(\omega + 1)]$$

$$= X_3(\omega - 1) + X_3(\omega + 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + (\omega - 2)^2} + \frac{2}{1 + \omega^2} + \frac{1}{1 + (\omega + 2)^2}$$

# Linearity and Time-Invariance

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## Linearity

$$x_1[n] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{linear system}} \rightarrow y_1[n]$$

$$x_2[n] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{linear system}} \rightarrow y_2[n]$$

$$c_1 x_1[n] + c_2 x_2[n] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{linear system}} \rightarrow c_1 y_1[n] + c_2 y_2[n]$$

## Time-Invariance

$$x[n] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{time-invariant system}} \rightarrow y[n]$$

$$x[n - n_0] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{time-invariant system}} \rightarrow y[n - n_0]$$

# Check Yourself

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Are the following systems **linear** and **time-invariant**?

(Recall: Together, **additivity** and **homogeneity** imply **linearity**.)

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{3}x[n-1] + \frac{1}{3}x[n] + \frac{1}{3}x[n+1]$$

$$y[n] = Mx[n] + B \quad \text{for constants } M \text{ and } B$$

$$y(t) = \int_0^t x(\tau) d\tau$$



# Check Yourself

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$$y[n] = \frac{1}{3}x[n-1] + \frac{1}{3}x[n] + \frac{1}{3}x[n+1]$$

Linear? By inspection, yes!

$$x[n] = c_1x_1[n] + c_2x_2[n] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow y[n] = c_1y_1[n] + c_2y_2[n]$$

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Time-invariant? By inspection, yes!

$$x[n - n_0] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow y[n - n_0]$$

# Check Yourself

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$$y[n] = Mx[n] + B \quad \text{for constants } M \text{ and } B$$

Linear? If  $M \neq 0$  and  $B = 0$ , yes.

$$x[n] = c_1 x_1[n] + c_2 x_2[n] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow y[n] = c_1 y_1[n] + c_2 y_2[n]$$

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Time-invariant? Yes.

$$x[n - n_0] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow y[n - n_0]$$

# Check Yourself

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$$y(t) = \int_0^t x(\tau) d\tau$$

Linear? Yes. Integration is a linear operation.

$$\int_0^t c_1 x_1(\tau) + c_2 x_2(\tau) d\tau = c_1 \int_0^t x_1(\tau) d\tau + c_2 \int_0^t x_2(\tau) d\tau$$

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Time-invariant? No.

$$y(t - t_0) = \int_0^{t-t_0} x(\tau) d\tau \neq \int_{-t_0}^{t-t_0} x(\tau') d\tau' \text{ for } \tau' = \tau - t_0$$

# LTI Systems

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Three representations for LTI systems:

- difference equation (DT) or differential equation (CT)
- unit-sample response (DT) or impulse response (CT)
- frequency response

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## Difference Equations and Differential Equations

Impose time-domain constraints on the input and output.

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{2}y[n-1] + x[n]$$

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = x(t) - \frac{1}{2}y(t)$$

# LTI Systems

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Three representations for LTI systems:

- difference equation (DT) or differential equation (CT)
- **unit-sample response (DT)** or **impulse response (CT)**
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## Unit-Sample Response

Characterize a system by a single time-domain signal.

$$\delta[n] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow h[n]$$

$$x[n] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow \sum_k h[k]x[n - k]$$

# Convolution

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Convolving  $x[n]$  with  $\delta[n - n_0]$  time-shifts  $x[n]$ .

$$h[n] = \delta[n - n_0] \implies (x * h)[n] = x[n - n_0]$$

Convolving  $x[n]$  with a sum of scaled and time-shifted  $\delta$  signals produces a sum of scaled and time-shifted  $x[n]$ .

$$h[n] = \sum_k h[k] \delta[n - k]$$

$$(x * h)[n] = \sum_k \underbrace{h[k]}_{\text{scale}} \underbrace{x[n - k]}_{\text{time-shift}}$$

# Convolution

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$(x * h)[n]$  is a superposition of **scaled** and **time-shifted**  $x[n]$ .

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$$\begin{aligned} & \vdots \\ (x * h)[n] &= h[0] x[n] + \\ & \quad h[1] x[n - 1] + \\ & \quad h[2] x[n - 2] + \\ & \quad \vdots \end{aligned}$$



# Convolution is Commutative

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$(x * h)[n]$  is a superposition of **scaled** and **time-shifted**  $h[n]$ .

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$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ (x * h)[n] = x[0] h[n] + \\ x[1] h[n - 1] + \\ x[2] h[n - 2] + \\ \vdots \end{array}$$

# Convolution

$n$	=	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
$x[n]$	=	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
$h[n]$	=	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0

$n$	=	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
$h[0] x[n-0]$	=	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
$h[1] x[n-1]$	=	0	2	2	2	2	0	0	0
$h[2] x[n-2]$	=	0	0	3	3	3	3	0	0
$(x * h)[n]$	=	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

# Check Yourself

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Consider an LTI system with unit-sample response  $h[n]$ .

$$h[n] = \delta[n] + \delta[n - 1] + \delta[n - 2]$$

Suppose that the input to the system is  $x[n]$ .

$$x[n] = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}n\right)$$

Determine a closed-form expression for the output  $y[n]$ .

# Check Yourself

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$$h[n] = \delta[n] + \delta[n - 1] + \delta[n - 2]$$

$$y[n] = (x * h)[n] = x[n] + x[n - 1] + x[n - 2]$$

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$x[n] = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}n\right)$  is periodic in  $N = 3$  samples.

$$x[0] = 1 \quad x[1] = -\frac{1}{2} \quad x[2] = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x[n] + x[n - 1] + x[n - 2] = 0 \text{ for all } n$$

# Check Yourself

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Alternatively, think of the frequency response.

$$\begin{aligned}H(\Omega) &= 1 + e^{-j\Omega} + e^{-j2\Omega} \\&= e^{j\Omega}(e^{-j\Omega} + 1 + e^{-j\Omega}) \\&= e^{j\Omega}(1 + 2\cos(\Omega))\end{aligned}$$

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$$x[n] = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}n\right) \iff X(\Omega) = \frac{1}{2}e^{j\frac{2\pi}{3}n} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{3}n}$$

$$H\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = 0 \implies Y(\Omega) = 0 \iff y[n] = 0$$

# LTI Systems

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Three representations for LTI systems:

- difference equation (DT) or differential equation (CT)
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## Frequency Response

Complex exponentials are eigenfunctions of LTI systems!

Characterize a system by how it shapes a signal's spectrum.

$$e^{j\Omega n} \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow H(\Omega) e^{j\Omega n}$$

$$X(\Omega) \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow H(\Omega) X(\Omega)$$

# Eigenfunctions (if you're interested)

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An eigenvalue-eigenvector pair  $(\lambda, \mathbf{v})$  satisfy the eigenequation.

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

Likewise, eigenvalue-eigenfunction pairs satisfy eigenequations.

$$\frac{d}{dt}\{e^{\lambda t}\} = \lambda e^{\lambda t} \qquad \underbrace{\mathcal{R}\{\lambda^n\}}_{\text{right shift}} = \lambda^{-1}\lambda^n$$

Exponential functions  $e^{\lambda t}$  are eigenfunctions of the  $d/dt$  operator.  
eigenvalues  $\lambda = j\omega \implies$  Eigenfunctions are CTFT basis functions!

Geometric sequences  $\lambda^n$  are eigenfunctions of the  $\mathcal{R}$  (shift) operator.  
eigenvalues  $\lambda = e^{j\Omega} \implies$  Eigenfunctions are DTFT basis functions!

# Eigenfunctions (if you're interested)

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Let  $P(\mathbf{A})$  denote a polynomial in  $\mathbf{A}$ .  $P(\mathbf{A})$  has the same eigenvectors  $\mathbf{v}_k$ , but the corresponding eigenvalues are  $P(\lambda_k)$ .

$$P(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{v} = P(\lambda)\mathbf{v}$$

Likewise ...

$$P\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)e^{\lambda t} = P(\lambda)e^{\lambda t}$$

$$P(\mathcal{R})\lambda^n = P(\lambda^{-1})\lambda^n$$

Expressing a signal in a basis of eigenfunctions facilitates analysis.

(e.g., The homogeneous solution to a linear differential equation with constant coefficients is a linear combination of eigenfunctions that lie in the null space of the polynomial differential operator.)



# Eigenfunctions (if you're interested)

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How do we interpret  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ ?

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- express  $\mathbf{x} = \sum_k c_k \mathbf{v}_k$  in basis spanned by eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$
- scale each eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}_k$  by the eigenvalue  $\lambda_k$
- $\mathbf{b} = \sum_k c_k \lambda_k \mathbf{v}_k$

How do we interpret  $x[n] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow y[n]$  ?

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- express  $x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(\Omega) e^{j\Omega n} d\Omega$  in eigenfunction basis
- scale each eigenfunction  $e^{j\Omega n}$  by the eigenvalue  $H(\Omega)$
- $y[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} Y(\Omega) e^{j\Omega n} d\Omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} H(\Omega) X(\Omega) e^{j\Omega n} d\Omega$

# Check Yourself

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Consider an LTI system with unit-sample response  $h[n]$ .

$$h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n]$$

Suppose that the input to the system is  $x[n]$ .

$$x[n] = (-1)^n$$

Determine a closed-form expression for the output  $y[n]$ .

# Check Yourself

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$$h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n]$$

$$H(\Omega) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\Omega}} + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\Omega}}$$

$$x[n] = (-1)^n = e^{j\pi n} \implies \Omega = \pi$$

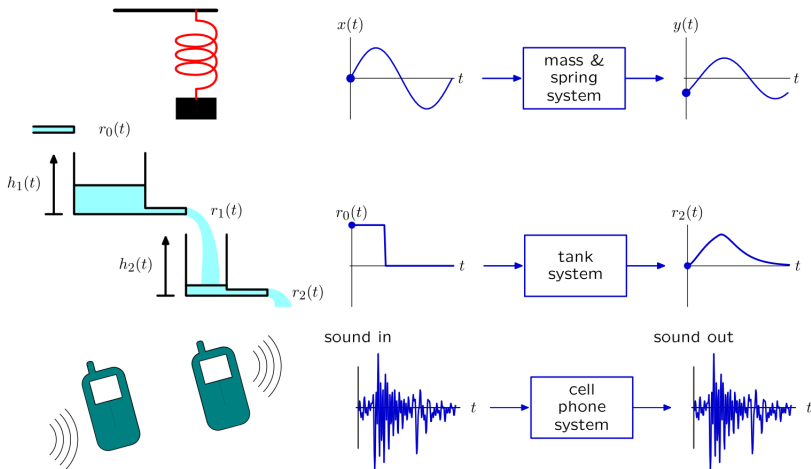
$$H(\pi) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{17}{12}$$

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$$x[n] = (-1)^n \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow y[n] = \frac{17}{12}(-1)^n$$

# Signals and Systems

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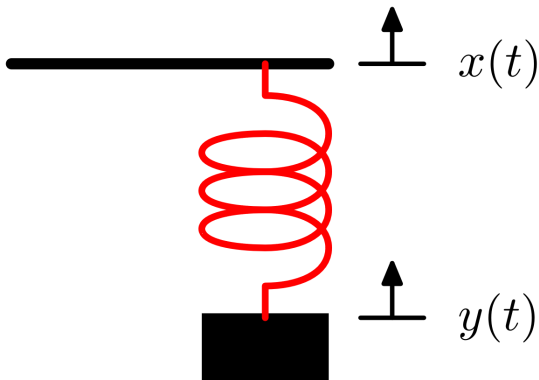


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# Signals and Systems

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## Example: Mass on a Spring



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# Signals and Systems

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## Example: Mass on a Spring

- **signals:** position  $x(t)$  and position  $y(t)$
- **parameters:** mass  $M$  and spring constant  $K$

$$M \frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} = K(x(t) - y(t))$$

$$H(\omega) = \frac{Y(\omega)}{X(\omega)} = \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2} \quad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{K}{M}}$$

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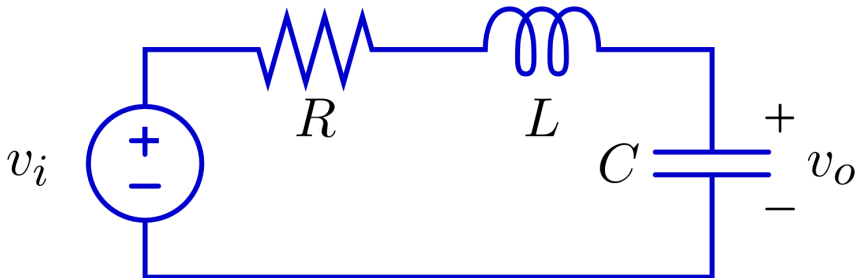
$$\cos(\omega t) \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow |H(\omega)| \cos(\omega t + \angle H(\omega))$$

very responsive to sinusoidal oscillations at  $\omega \approx \omega_0$

# Signals and Systems

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## Example: Series RLC Circuit



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# Signals and Systems

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## Example: Series RLC Circuit

- **signals:** input voltage  $v_i(t)$  and output voltage  $v_o(t)$
- **parameters:** resistance  $R$ , inductance  $L$ , and capacitance  $C$

$$C \frac{d^2 v_o(t)}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{L} (v_i(t) - RC \frac{dv_o(t)}{dt} - v_o(t))$$

$$H(\omega) = \frac{V_o(\omega)}{V_i(\omega)} = \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega_0^2 + \frac{1}{\tau} j\omega - \omega^2} \quad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}} \quad \tau = \frac{L}{R}$$

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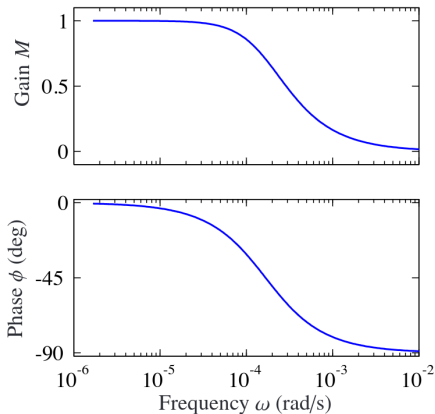
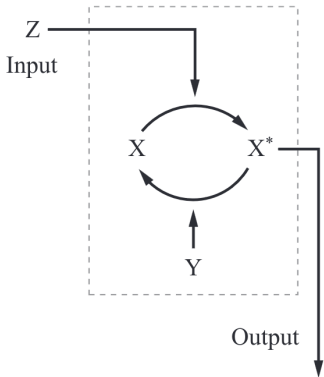
$$\cos(\omega t) \rightarrow \boxed{\text{LTI}} \rightarrow |H(\omega)| \cos(\omega t + \angle H(\omega))$$

damped harmonic oscillator



# Signals and Systems

## Example: Phosphorylation Cycle



(*Biomolecular Feedback Systems*, D. Del Vecchio and R. M. Murray)

# Signals and Systems

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## Example: Phosphorylation Cycle

- **signals:** kinase  $x(t)$  and phosphorylated substrate  $y(t)$
- **parameters:** production rate  $\beta$  and decay rate  $\gamma$

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = \beta x(t) - \gamma y(t) \iff j\omega Y(\omega) = \beta X(\omega) - \gamma Y(\omega)$$

$$H(\omega) = \frac{Y(\omega)}{X(\omega)} = \frac{\beta}{\gamma + j\omega}$$

$$|H(\omega)| = \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + \omega^2}} \quad \angle H(\omega) = -\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega}{\gamma}\right)$$

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low-pass filter: unresponsive to rapidly-varying stimuli

# Check Yourself

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## Difference Equation $\rightarrow$ Unit-Sample Response

Determine the unit-sample response  $h[n]$  for the following linear constant-coefficient difference equation. Assume that the system is initially at rest: For  $n < 0$ ,  $x[n] = y[n] = 0$ .

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{2}y[n-1] + x[n]$$

# Check Yourself

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We could set  $x[n] = \delta[n]$  and notice that the response  $y[n] = h[n]$  is a decaying geometric sequence. Alternatively, we could determine the frequency response  $H(\Omega)$  by computing the DTFT of the difference equation. The unit-sample response  $h[n]$  is the inverse DTFT of the frequency response  $H(\Omega)$ .

$$Y(\Omega) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\Omega} Y(\Omega) + X(\Omega) \iff H(\Omega) = \frac{Y(\Omega)}{X(\Omega)} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\Omega}}$$

$$h[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} H(\Omega) e^{j\Omega n} d\Omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} \frac{e^{j\Omega n}}{1 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\Omega}} d\Omega = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

# Check Yourself

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## Frequency Response $\rightarrow$ Unit-Sample Response

Determine the unit-sample response  $h[n]$  corresponding to the frequency response  $H(\Omega)$ .

$$H(\Omega) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\Omega}} + \frac{e^{-j2\Omega}}{1 - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\Omega}}$$

# Check Yourself

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Write  $H(\Omega) = H_1(\Omega) + H_2(\Omega)$ . Compute the inverse discrete-time Fourier transforms of  $H_1(\Omega)$  and  $H_2(\Omega)$  separately. The corresponding unit-sample response  $h[n]$  is the superposition of the inverse DTFTs:  $h[n] = h_1[n] + h_2[n]$ .

$$H_1(\Omega) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\Omega}} \iff h_1[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

$$H_2(\Omega) = \frac{e^{-j2\Omega}}{1 - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\Omega}} \iff h_2[n] = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-2} u[n-2]$$

$$h[n] = h_1[n] + h_2[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-2} u[n-2]$$

# Check Yourself

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## Frequency Response $\rightarrow$ Difference Equation

Determine a linear difference equation with constant coefficients with frequency response  $H(\Omega)$ .

$$H(\Omega) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\Omega}} + \frac{e^{-j2\Omega}}{1 - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\Omega}}$$

# Check Yourself

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Express  $H(\Omega)$  with a common denominator. Pattern-match.

$$H(\Omega) = \frac{(1 - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\Omega}) + e^{-j2\Omega}(1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\Omega})}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\Omega})(1 - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\Omega})}$$

$$\frac{Y(\Omega)}{X(\Omega)} = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\Omega} + e^{-j2\Omega} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j3\Omega}}{1 - \frac{5}{6}e^{-j\Omega} + \frac{1}{6}e^{-j2\Omega}}$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{5}{6}e^{-j\Omega} + \frac{1}{6}e^{-j2\Omega}\right) Y(\Omega) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\Omega} + e^{-j2\Omega} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j3\Omega}\right) X(\Omega)$$

$$y[n] - \frac{5}{6}y[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}y[n-2] = x[n] - \frac{1}{3}x[n-1] + x[n-2] - \frac{1}{2}x[n-3]$$



# Check Yourself

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## Differential Equation $\rightarrow$ Impulse Response

Determine the impulse response  $h(t)$  for the following linear ordinary differential equation with constant coefficients. Assume that the system is initially at rest: For  $t < 0$ ,  $x(t) = y(t) = 0$ .

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = x(t) - \frac{1}{2}y(t)$$

# Check Yourself

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Fourier transforms turn differential equations into algebraic equations. First, determine the frequency response  $H(\omega)$  by computing the Fourier transform of the differential equation. The impulse response  $h(t)$  is the inverse Fourier transform of the frequency response  $H(\omega)$ .

$$j\omega Y(\omega) = X(\omega) - \frac{1}{2} Y(\omega)$$

$$\frac{Y(\omega)}{X(\omega)} = H(\omega) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + j\omega}$$

$$H(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} u(t)}_{h(t)} e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

# Check Yourself

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## Frequency Response $\rightarrow$ Differential Equation

Determine a linear ordinary differential equation with constant coefficients with frequency response  $H(\omega)$ .

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1 - j\omega}{1 - 4\omega^2}$$

# Check Yourself

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Multiplication by  $j\omega$  in the frequency domain corresponds to differentiation with respect to  $t$  in the time domain.

$$H(\omega) = \frac{Y(\omega)}{X(\omega)} = \frac{1 - j\omega}{1 + 4(j\omega)^2}$$

$$y(t) + 4 \frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} = x(t) - \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$$

# LTI Systems

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Three representations for LTI systems:

- difference equation (DT) or differential equation (CT)
- unit-sample response (DT) or impulse response (CT)
- frequency response

# Communications Systems

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## Amplitude Modulation

$$x(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\text{AM}} \rightarrow y(t) = x(t) \cos(\omega_c t)$$

Is an amplitude modulator a linear system?

Is an amplitude modulator a time-invariant system?

# Communications Systems

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Is an amplitude modulator a time-invariant system?

Linear? Yes.

$$(c_1 x_1(t) + c_2 x_2(t)) \cos(\omega_c t) = c_1 x_1(t) \cos(\omega_c t) + c_2 x_2(t) \cos(\omega_c t)$$

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Time-invariant? No! The carrier  $\cos(\omega_c t)$  is time-varying.

The system generates new non-zero frequencies in the output!

# Communications Systems

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## Amplitude Modulation

**Transmission:** Multiply  $x(t)$  by sinusoidal carrier signal  $c(t)$  and transmit the amplitude-modulated signal  $y(t) = x(t)c(t)$ .

**Reception:** Recover  $x(t)$  from the amplitude-modulated signal  $y(t)$  by multiplying by the carrier  $c(t)$  and then low-pass filtering.

$$c(t) = \cos(\omega_c t) = \frac{1}{2}e^{j\omega_c t} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\omega_c t}$$

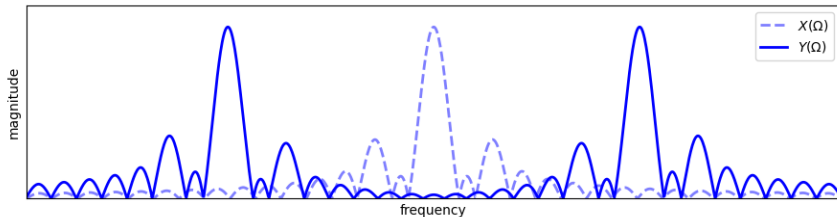
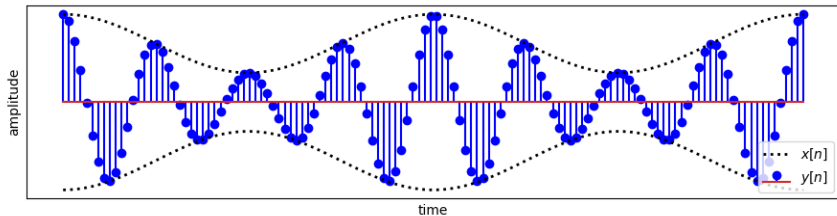
$$y(t) = x(t)c(t) \iff Y(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi}(X * C)(\omega)$$

$$Y(\omega) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}X(\omega - \omega_c) + \frac{1}{2}X(\omega + \omega_c)}_{\text{copies of } X(\omega) \text{ shifted outward by } \omega_c}$$



# Communications Systems

Examine a finite-length window of the signal  $y[n] = x[n] \cos(\Omega_c n)$ .



# More Modulation

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We examined amplitude modulation in class. Perhaps you've heard of frequency modulation (FM) or phase modulation (PM) — but you don't need to know these for the quiz, per se.

## Sinusoidal Modulation

$$y(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

- amplitude (AM)                      time-varying amplitude  $A = A(t)$
- frequency (FM)                      time-varying frequency  $\omega = \omega(t)$
- phase (PM)                              time-varying phase  $\phi = \phi(t)$

**Communications:** Match the signal to the channel medium by encoding the **message** in the **carrier** signal.

# The Summary So Far

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- Fourier transform pairs and properties
- linearity and time-invariance
- difference equations (DT) and differential equations (CT)
- unit-sample response (DT) and impulse response (CT)
- frequency response
- convolution and filtering
- modulation and communications systems

# Question of the Day #1

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Consider the unit-sample response  $h[n]$ .

$$h[n] = 2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n] + 5 \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^n u[n]$$

Suppose we want to express the frequency response in the form

$$H(\Omega) = \frac{A_1}{1 - p_1 e^{-j\Omega}} + \frac{A_2}{1 - p_2 e^{-j\Omega}}$$

where  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $p_1$ , and  $p_2$  are constants.

Determine values for  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $p_1$ , and  $p_2$ .

**Next:** [Discrete Fourier Transform](#)

# Discrete Fourier Transform

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## Quotes

*'After this class, I intend to type "fft" when I need to, and try to forget the rest.'*

Even if all you do after this class is type

**fft(...)**

once in a while, you better know what you're doing!

- “DFT? What’s that? You mean, FFT?”
- “What’s with all these non-zero frequencies?”
- “Zero-padding gives me arbitrarily-good frequency resolution.”
- “The FFT only works if the signal length  $N$  is a power of 2.”

# DT Fourier Representations

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The **DTFS** is for periodic signals. No real-world periodic signals!

- finite summation over  $n$  (infinite-length periodic signals)
- frequency variable  $k$  of discrete domain

The **DTFT** may only be computed in theory.

- infinite summation over  $n$  (infinite-length aperiodic signals)
- frequency variable  $\Omega$  of continuous domain

The **DFT** can be computed in practice.

- finite summation over  $n$  (finite-length aperiodic signals)
- frequency variable  $k$  of discrete domain

The **FFT** refers to a family of algorithms for computing the DFT.

The **STFT** is a “moving-window Fourier transform.”

- For practical computation, use the DFT.

# Discrete Fourier Transform

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The DFT is a **discrete-time, discrete-frequency Fourier transform**.

- finite-length signals
- discrete in time ( $n$ )
- discrete in frequency ( $k$ )

$$x_w[n] = x[n]w[n]$$

$N$  time-samples

$N$  frequency-samples

## Discrete Fourier Transform

$$X[k] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} \quad \text{analysis}$$

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} \quad \text{synthesis}$$

# Discrete Fourier Transform

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## DFT vs. Discrete-Time Fourier Series (DTFS)

The length- $N$  DFT is equivalent to the discrete-time Fourier series of an  $N$ -periodic extension of the windowed signal  $x_w[n] = x[n]w[n]$ .

$$X[k] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_w[n \bmod N] e^{-jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n}$$

## DFT vs. Discrete-Time Fourier Transform (DTFT)

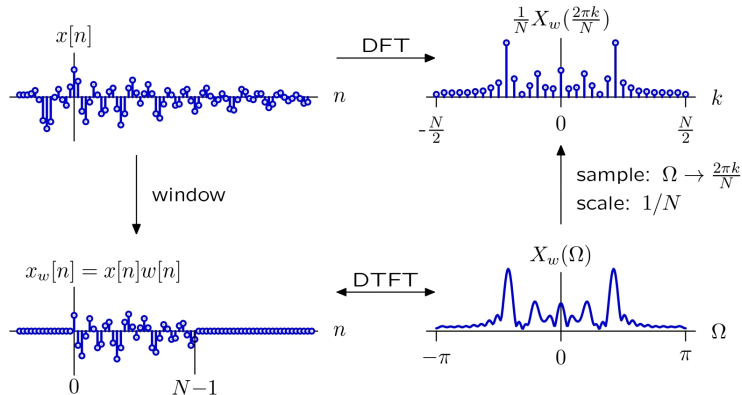
$$X[k] = \frac{1}{N} X_w\left(\frac{2\pi}{N} k\right)$$

DFT frequency resolution:  $\frac{f_s}{N}$  hertz or  $\frac{2\pi}{N}$  radians



## Relation Between DFT and DTFT

Graphical depiction of relation between DFT and DTFT.



While sampling and scaling are important, it is the **windowing** that most affects frequency content.

(Graphic: Denny Freeman)

# Window Functions

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Multiplying  $x[n]$  by the window function  $w[n]$  corresponds to convolving the DTFT of  $x[n]$  with the DTFT of  $w[n]$ .

## Windowing

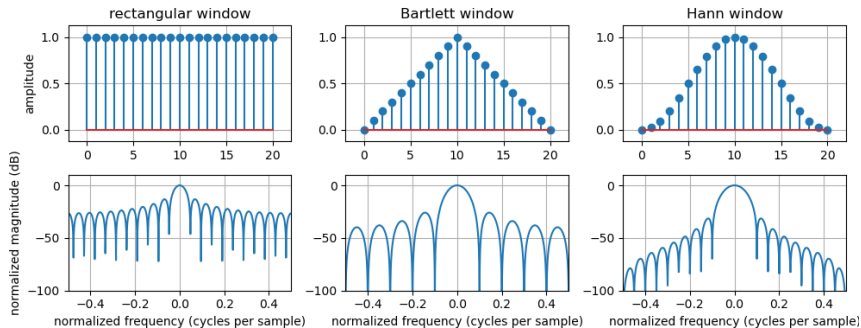
$$x_w[n] = x[n]w[n] \iff X_w(\Omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi}(X * W)(\Omega)$$

$$\text{long time-domain } w[n] \iff \text{narrow frequency-domain } W(\Omega)$$

There are many window functions.

**SciPy:** Bartlett, Bartlett-Hann, Blackman, Blackman-Harris, Bohman, box-car, cosine, discrete prolate spheroidal sequences, Dolph-Chebyshev, exponential, flat-top, Gaussian, generalized Hamming, Hamming, Hann, Kaiser, Kaiser-Bessel, Lanczos, Nuttall, Parzen, Taylor, triangular, Tukey, ...

# Window Functions



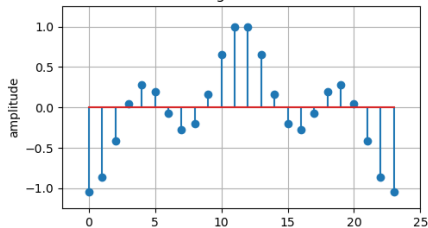
The window to use depends on the task at hand.

- What's most important? Narrow mainlobe? Low sidelobes?

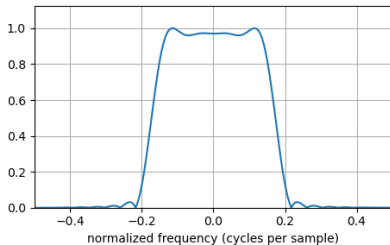
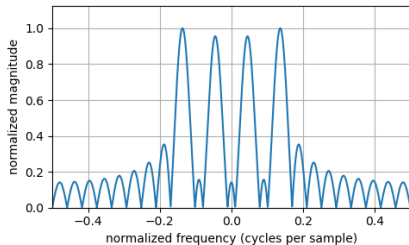
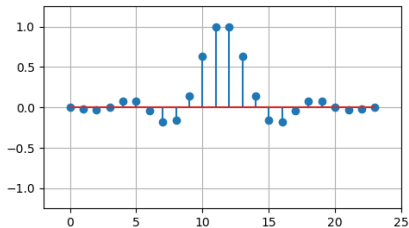
# Window Functions

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rectangular window



Hann window



# DFT: Circular Convolution

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Multiplication of  $N$ -point DFTs in the frequency domain corresponds to circular convolution in the time domain.

$$\begin{aligned}(x \circledast h)[n] &= N \text{DFT}_N^{-1} \{X_N[k]H_N[k]\} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} x[m]h[(n - m) \bmod N]\end{aligned}$$

Circular convolution seems complicated, but it is really simple. You do need to know how to do regular convolution, though.

## Circular Convolution

- Compute the regular (non-circular) convolution.
- Wrap the result into a length- $N$  interval.
- Periodically extend this length- $N$  interval.

# Circular Convolution

$n$	=	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
$x[n]$	=	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
$h[n]$	=	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0

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$(x * h)[n]$	=	1	3	6	6	5	3	0	0
$(x \circledast h)_6[n]$	=	1	3	6	6	5	3	1	3
$(x \circledast h)_5[n]$	=	4	3	6	6	5	4	3	6
$(x \circledast h)_4[n]$	=	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6

# Check Yourself

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Suppose that  $x[n] = 0$  and  $h[n] = 0$  for  $n \notin \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 9\}$ .

$$y[n] = \underbrace{\text{DTFT}^{-1}\{X(\Omega)H(\Omega)\}}_{(x * h)[n]} \quad z[n] = \underbrace{\text{DFT}_5^{-1}\{X(\frac{2\pi}{5}k)H(\frac{2\pi}{5}k)\}}_{(x \circledast h)[n]}$$

$n$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
$y[n]$	4	3	7	7	0	$A$	$B$	$C$	$D$	$E$
$z[n]$	4	3	14	13	1	4	3	14	13	1

Determine appropriate values for the constants  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$ , and  $E$ .  
Give a few choices of  $x[n]$  and  $h[n]$  that produce  $y[n]$ .

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$$A = 0 \quad B = 0 \quad C = 7 \quad D = 6 \quad E = 1$$



# Short-Time Fourier Transforms

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Think of short-time Fourier transforms as “moving-window Fourier transforms.” We analyze how a signal’s spectrum changes over time.

Any Fourier transform can be a short-time Fourier transform.

$$\text{Short-Time CTFT: } X(\omega, \tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \underbrace{w(t - \tau)}_{\text{window}} e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

$$\text{Short-Time DTFT: } X(\Omega, m) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] \underbrace{w[n - m]}_{\text{window}} e^{-j\Omega n}$$

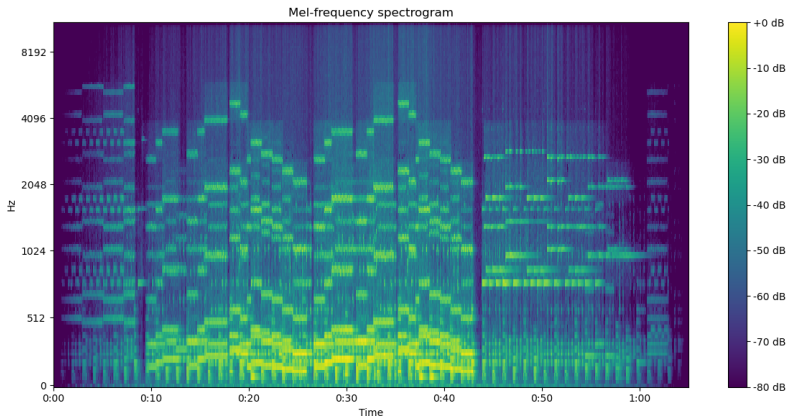
## Window Functions

$$x_w[n] = x[n]w[n] \iff X_w(\Omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi}(X * W)(\Omega)$$

# Spectrograms

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Examine the  $(\text{magnitude})^2$  of a signal's time-varying spectrum.

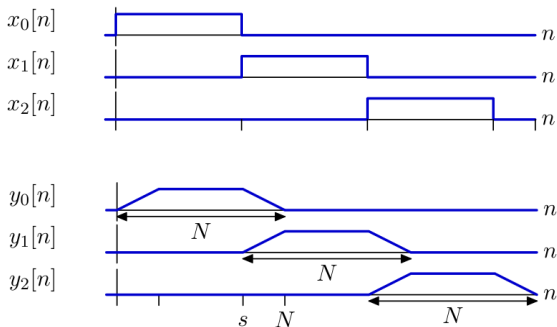


(spectrogram of “Les Patineurs” performed on Hammond organ)

# Overlap-Add Method

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How can we process long signals block-by-block? Divide the input  $x[n]$  into blocks — each of length  $s$ . Convolve each block with  $h[n]$ .



The output is  $y[n] = y_0[n] + y_1[n] + y_2[n] + \dots$  Hence *overlap-add*.

(Graphic: Denny Freeman)

# Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

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**Gauss**, circa 1805: “...truly, that method greatly reduces the tediousness of mechanical calculations ...”

## Radix-2 Decimation-in-Time Algorithm

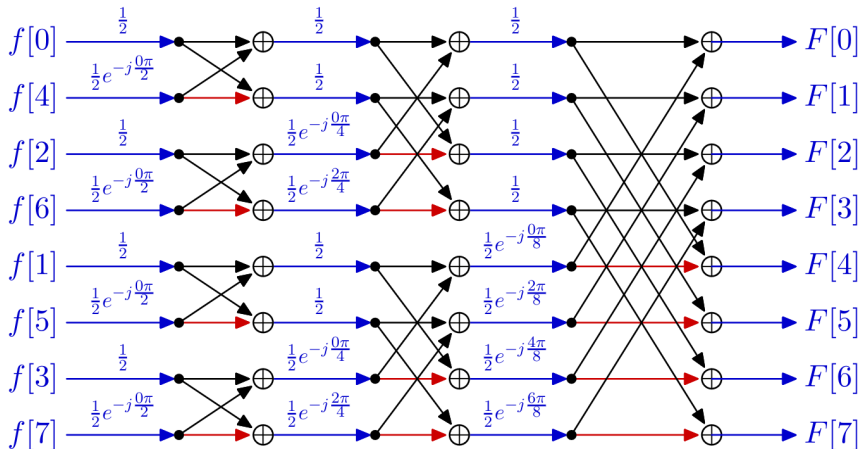
- Split a length- $N$  DFT into a sum of two length- $(N/2)$  DFTs.

$$X_N[k] = \frac{1}{2} \left( X_{N/2}^{\text{even}}[k] + W_N^k X_{N/2}^{\text{odd}}[k] \right)$$

$$W_N = e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}} \text{ (} N^{\text{th}} \text{ root of unity, or “twiddle factor”)}$$

- Repeat ( $\uparrow$ ) until  $N/2 = 1$ , when we can't divide by 2 anymore.
- The DFT of a length-1 signal is the signal itself:  $X[0] = x[0]$ .

# FFT: Decimation in Time



(Graphic: Denny Freeman)

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- modulation and communications systems
- discrete Fourier transform (DFT)
- window functions
- circular convolution
- short-time Fourier transforms
- fast Fourier transform (FFT)

# “Signals and Systems” Subjects

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You may be interested in the following subjects.

(These certainly aren't the only “signals and systems” subjects!)

- 6.200 Electrical Circuits: Modeling and Design (U)
- 6.300 Signal Processing (U)
- 6.301 Signals, Systems, and Inference (U)
- 6.302 Fundamentals of Music Processing (U/G)
- 6.310 Dynamical System Modeling and Control Design (U/G)
- 6.430 Introduction to Computer Vision (U)
- 6.480 Biomedical Systems: Modeling and Inference (U)
- 6.700 Discrete-Time Signal Processing (G)
- 6.741 Principles of Digital Communication (U/G)
- 6.880 Biomedical Signal and Image Processing (U/G)
- 6.862 Spoken Language Processing (U/G)
- 6.C27 Computational Imaging: Physics and Algorithms (U/G)

# Question of the Day #2

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Describe how the **discrete Fourier transform** is related to

- the **discrete-time Fourier series** and
- the **discrete-time Fourier transform**.

Why do we care about the discrete Fourier transform, anyway?  
(No participation credit if you say, “Nobody cares.”)

## Discrete Fourier Transform

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