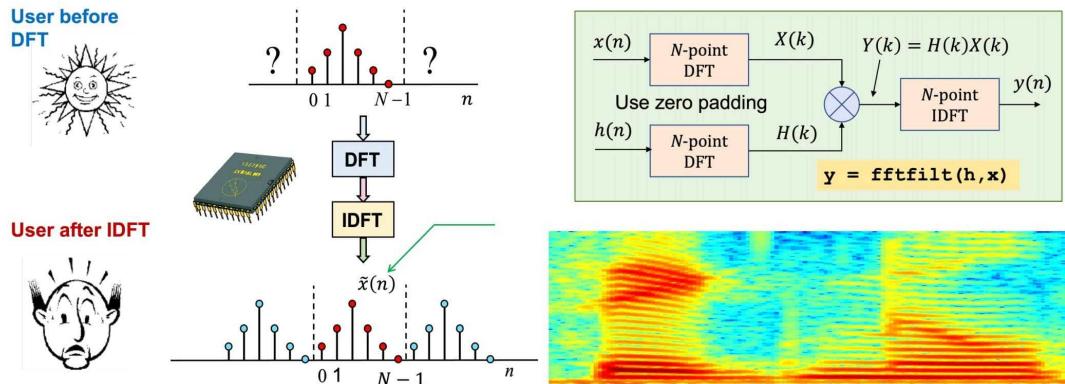


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## Fourier Representation of Signals

		Continuous-time signals		Discrete-time signals	
		Time-domain	Frequency-domain	Time-domain	Frequency-domain
Periodic signals Fourier series		$x_a(t)$	$c_k$	$x(n)$	$c_k$
		$c_k = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{-T_p}^{T_p} x_a(t) e^{-j2\pi k F_0 t} dt$	$F_0 = \frac{1}{T_p}$	$c_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j(2\pi/N)kn}$	$x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k e^{j(2\pi/N)kn}$
Aperiodic signals Fourier transforms		$x_a(t)$	$X_a(F)$	$x(n)$	$X(\omega)$
		$X_a(F) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_a(t) e^{-j2\pi F t} dt$	$x_a(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_a(F) e^{j2\pi F t} dF$	$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) e^{-j\omega n}$	$x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} X(\omega) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$
		Continuous and aperiodic	Continuous and aperiodic	Discrete and aperiodic	Continuous and periodic

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## Time-Domain Sampling

**Ideal Sampler**

$F_s = \frac{1}{T}$

This is what we have for DSP!

$$x_a(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_a(F) e^{j2\pi F t} dF \quad \xleftrightarrow{\text{CTFT}} \quad X_a(F) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_a(t) e^{-j2\pi F t} dt$$

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} X(\omega) e^{j\omega n} d\omega \quad \xleftrightarrow{\text{DTFT}} \quad X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) e^{-j\omega n}$$

$x(n) = x_a(nT) \Rightarrow t = nT \Rightarrow \omega = 2\pi \frac{F}{F_s}$

$X(F) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} X_a(F - mF_s)$

What happens if we sample  $X(\omega)$ ?

## Frequency-Domain Sampling

$$X(k\delta\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$X(k\delta\omega) = \dots + \sum_{n=-N}^{-1} x(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn} + \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn} + \sum_{n=N}^{2N-1} x(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn} + \dots$$

$$X(k\delta\omega) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n=lN}^{lN+N-1} x(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn} \quad \boxed{n \leftarrow n - lN} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X(k\delta\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left[ \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n-lN) \right] e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn}$$

$$x_p(n) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} c_k e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn} \quad \xleftrightarrow{\text{DTFS}} \quad c_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_p(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn} \quad \boxed{x_p(n) \text{ Periodic with period } N}$$

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## Time-Domain Aliasing

$$X(k) = X(\omega) \Big|_{\omega=\frac{2\pi}{N}k} \Rightarrow x_p(n) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n-lN)$$

$$x_p(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right) e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}, n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

If  $x(n) = 0$  for  $n \notin [0, L-1]$  and  $N > L \Rightarrow$

$$x(n) = \begin{cases} x_p(n), & 0 \leq n \leq N-1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

No time-domain aliasing  $\Rightarrow$  Perfect reconstruction of  $x(n)$  from  $X(k\delta\omega)$

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## Reconstruction of $X(\omega)$ from $X(2\pi k/N)$

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right) e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn} \right] e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right) \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{-j(\omega - \frac{2\pi}{N}k)n} \right]$$

$$P(\omega) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{-j\omega n} = \frac{1}{N} \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega N}}{1 - e^{-j\omega}}$$

$$= \frac{\sin(\omega N/2)}{N \sin(\omega/2)} e^{-j\omega(N-1)/2}$$

Dirichlet's function

Periodic counterpart of  $\frac{\sin x}{x}$ !

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right) P\left(\omega - \frac{2\pi}{N}k\right)$$

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### Example of Sampling the DTFT $X(\omega)$

$x(n) = a^n u(n) \Rightarrow X(\omega) = \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}}, 0 < a < 1$

Sampling with  $\delta\omega = \frac{2\pi}{N} \Rightarrow$

$$x_p(n) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n-lN) = \frac{a^n}{1 - a^N}, 0 \leq n \leq N-1$$

Aliasing!

Time-domain aliasing decreases as  $N$  increases!

$$\hat{X}(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_p(n)e^{-j\omega n} = \frac{1}{1 - a^N} \frac{1 - a^N e^{-j\omega N}}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}}$$

↑  
Reconstructed  $X(\omega)$

Start here

$|X(\omega)|$

$x(n)$

$\hat{x}(n)$

$X(\frac{2\pi}{N}k)$

$N = 5$

$N = 50$

$x(\frac{2\pi}{N}k)$

$n$

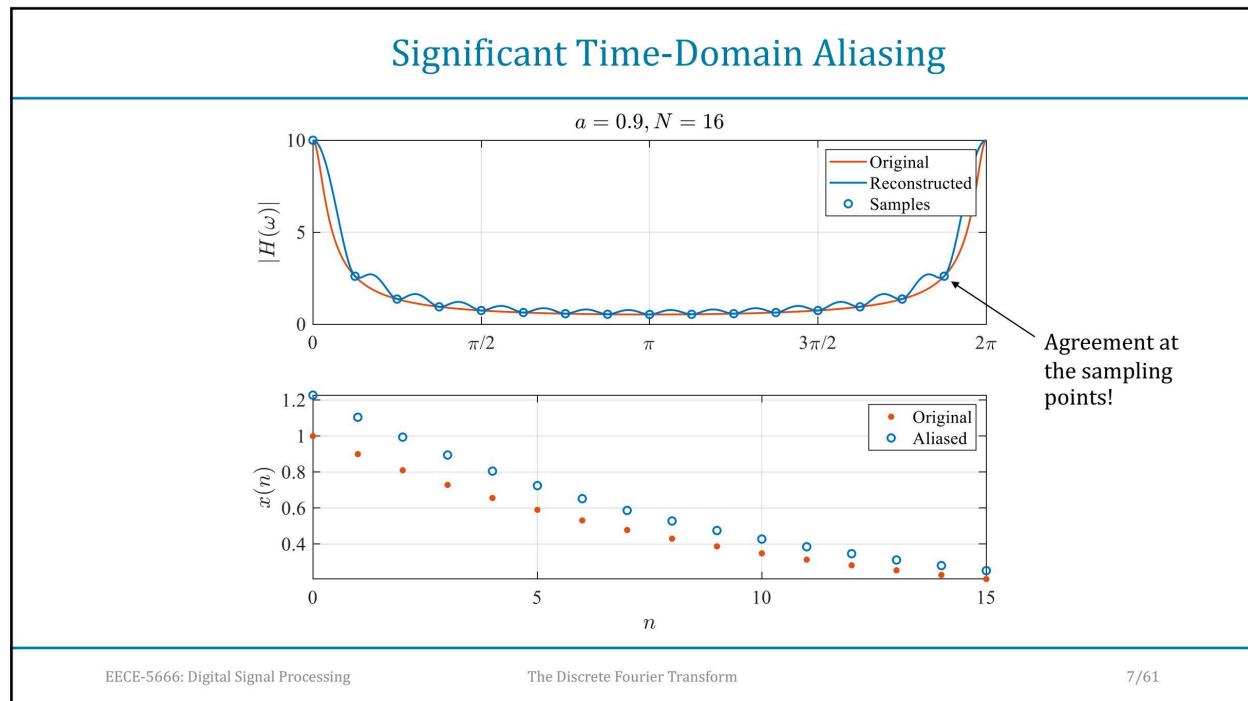
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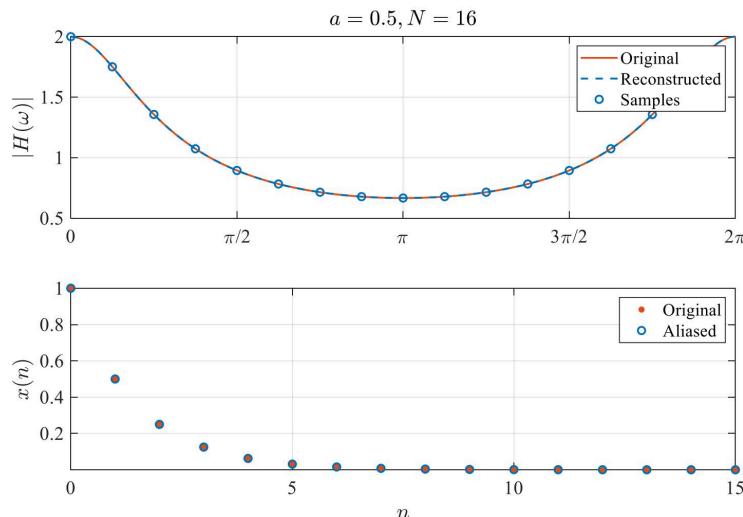
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## Insignificant Time-Domain Aliasing



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## The Discrete Fourier Transform: Motivation

Let  $x(n) = 0, n \notin [0, L - 1] \Rightarrow$

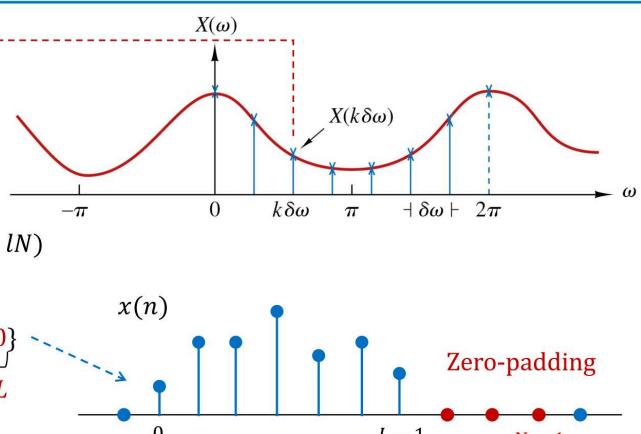
$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$x_p(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X\left(\frac{2\pi}{N} k\right) e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn} = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n - lN)$$

If  $N \geq L \Rightarrow x_p(n) = \{x(0) \dots x(L-1) \underbrace{0 \dots 0}_{\text{Zero-padding}}\}$

$\text{Zero-padding} \rightarrow N - L$

$$X\left(\frac{2\pi}{N} k\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x(n)e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N} kn}$$



Red formulas provide a useful computational Fourier analysis tool for finite length sequences!

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## The Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

Given  $N$  samples  $\{x(n)\}_0^{N-1}$  of a sequence  $x(n)$  (periodic or aperiodic), the  **$N$ -point Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)**  $\{X(k)\}_0^{N-1}$  is defined by

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

Given the  $N$ -DFT coefficients  $\{X(k)\}_0^{N-1}$ , the  $N$ -samples  $\{x(n)\}_0^{N-1}$  of a sequence  $x(n)$  (periodic or aperiodic), can be recovered using the  **$N$ -point Inverse DFT**

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X(k)e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

The DFT uniquely specifies  $N$  samples  $\{x(n)\}_0^{N-1}$  of any sequence by  $N$ -DFT coefficients  $\{X(k)\}_0^{N-1}$

## Matrix Formulation of DFT

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)W_N^{-kn}, \quad W_N = e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X(0) \\ X(1) \\ \vdots \\ X(N-1) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & W_N & \cdots & W_N^{N-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & W_N^{N-1} & \cdots & W_N^{(N-1)(N-1)} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{W}_N} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ x(1) \\ \vdots \\ x(N-1) \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}_N}$$

Symmetric

$$\mathbf{W}_N^H \mathbf{W}_N = (\mathbf{W}_N^*)^T \mathbf{W}_N = \mathbf{I} \quad \mathbf{X}_N = \mathbf{W}_N \mathbf{x}_N \Rightarrow \mathbf{x}_N = \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{W}_N^* \mathbf{X}_N$$

Unitary Matrix

## How to Think about the DFT

The DFT takes  $N$  consecutive samples  $\{x(0), x(1), \dots, x(N - 1)\}$  of any sequence  $x(n)$ , treats them as a finite length sequence, and computes  $N$  equi-spaced samples of its DTFT  $X(k) = X_N(\omega_k)$  at  $\omega_k = \frac{2\pi}{N}k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$

The inverse DFT takes the samples  $X(k) = X_N\left(\frac{2\pi k}{N}\right)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$  and recovers the original values  $\{x(0), x(1), \dots, x(N - 1)\}$

The physical meaning of the DFT coefficients  $\{X(0), X(1), \dots, X(N - 1)\}$  depends on how we select the samples  $\{x(0), x(1), \dots, x(N - 1)\}$  of  $x(n)$ , and whether the sequence  $x(n)$  is aperiodic or periodic

## Interpretation of DFT Coefficients

### Aperiodic Signals

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$X_N(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn} = X_N\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right)$$

$$X(\omega) = X_N(\omega) \text{ if } x(n) = 0, n \notin [0, L - 1], L \leq N$$

$$X(\omega) \neq X_N(\omega) \text{ otherwise}$$

### Periodic Signals

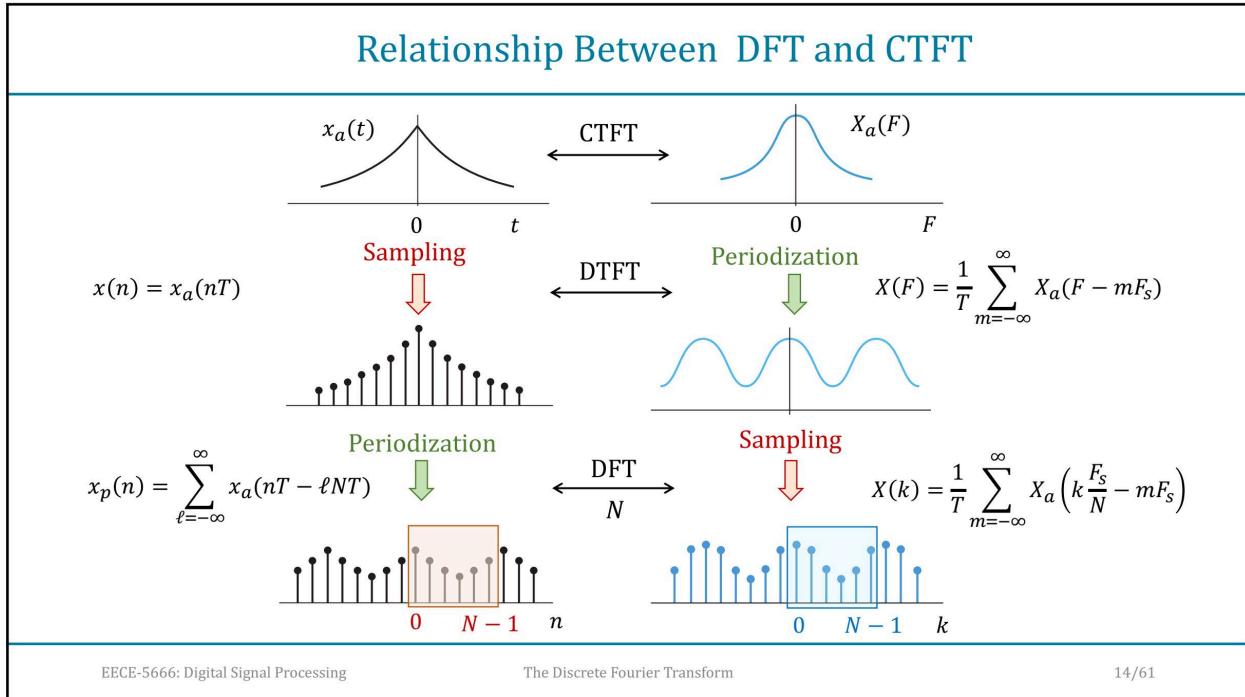
$$c_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N_p-1} x(n)e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N_p}kn}$$

$$X_N(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

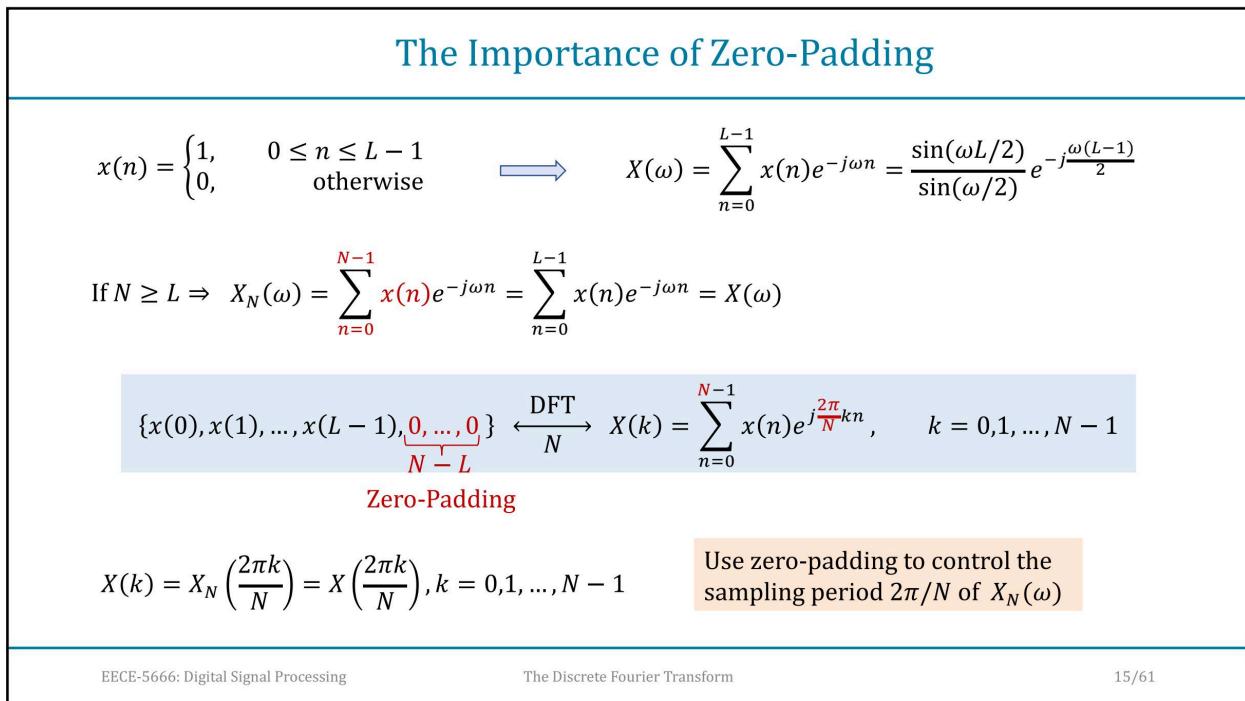
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$$N = N_p \Rightarrow c_k = \frac{1}{N}X(k)$$

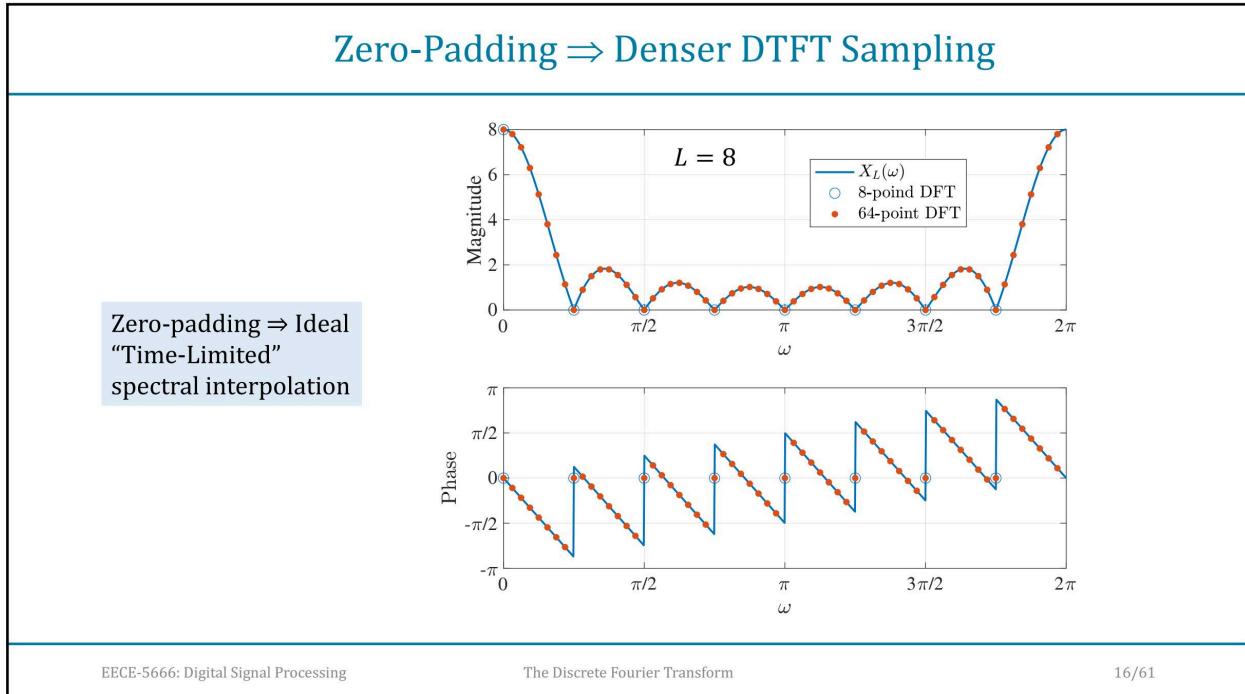
$$N \neq N_p \Rightarrow c_k \neq \frac{1}{N}X(k)$$



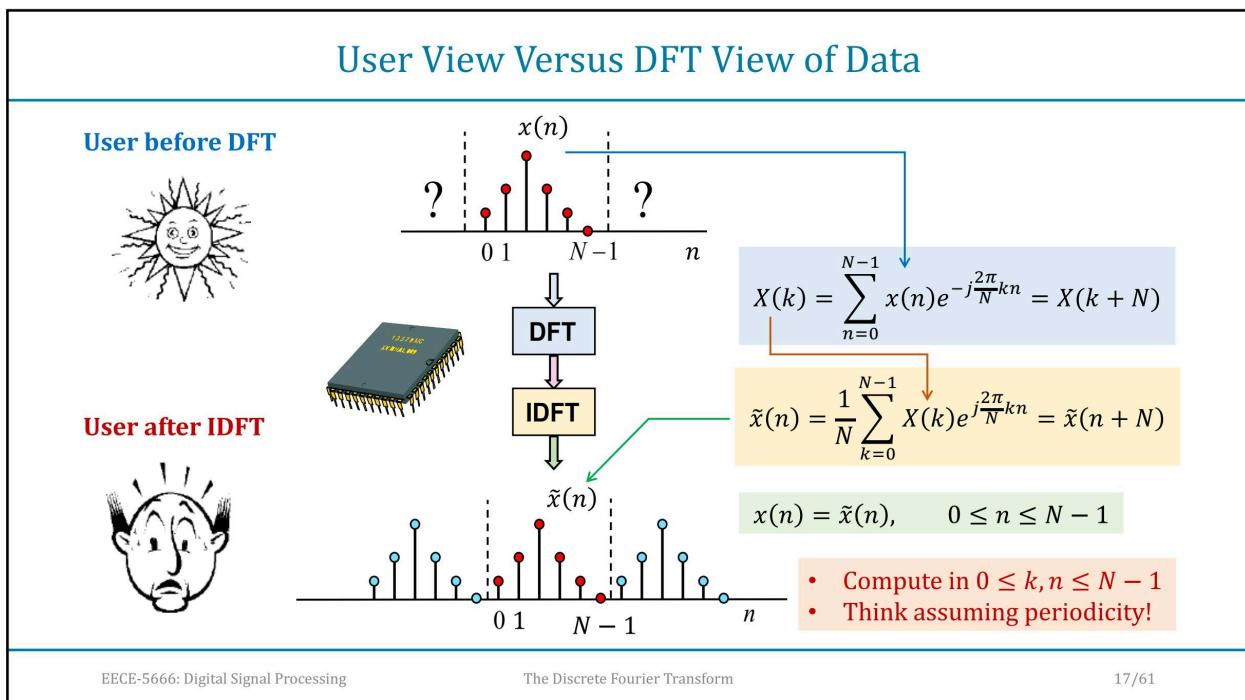
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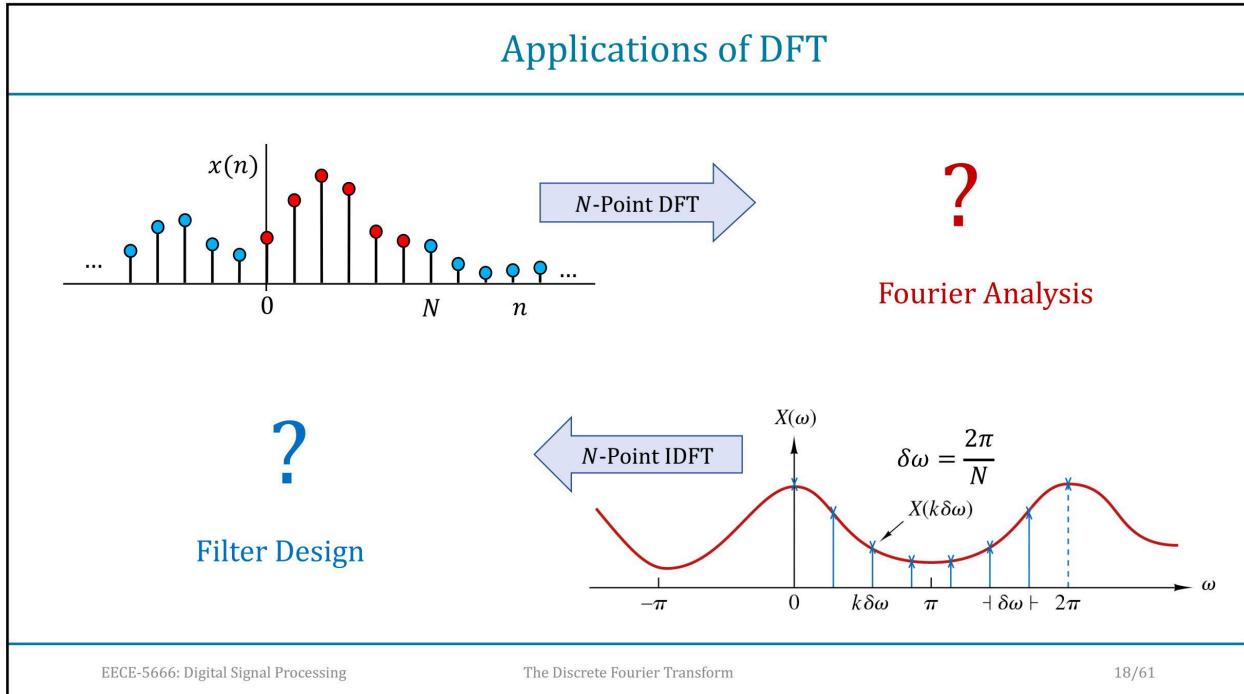
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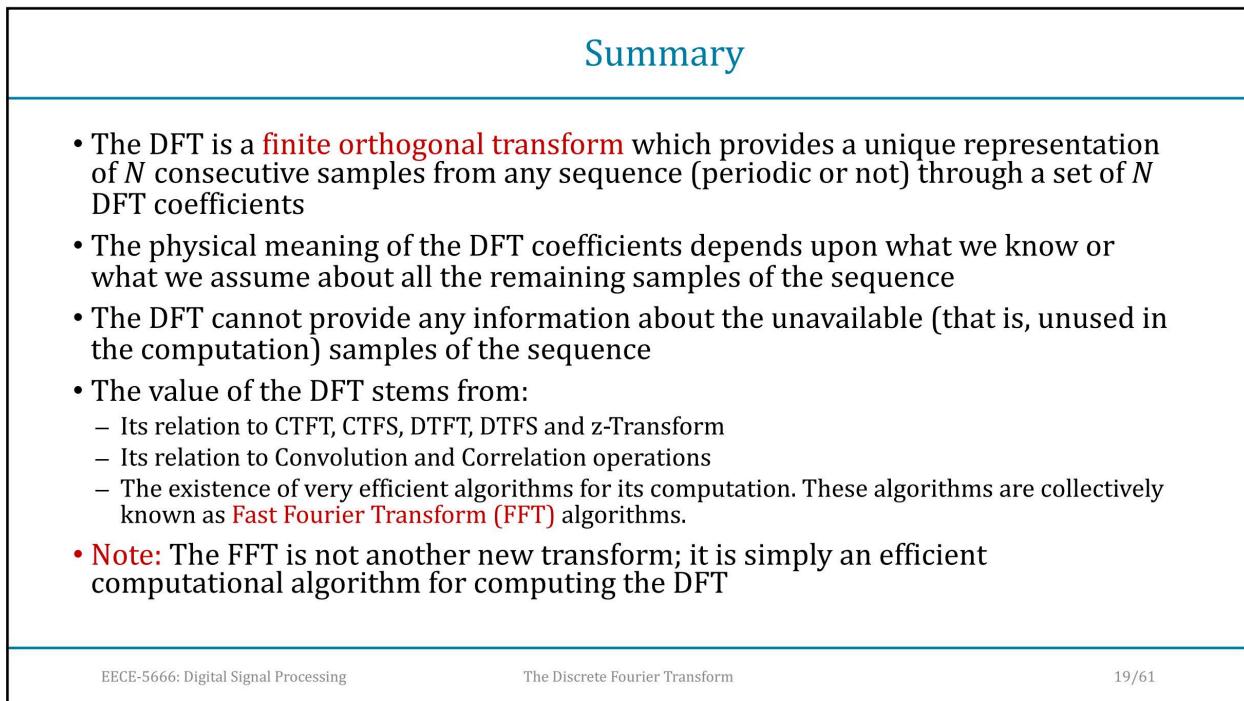
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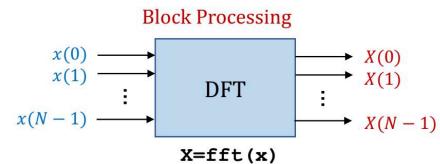


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## The Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

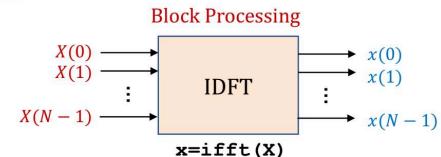
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$$x(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X(k)e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$



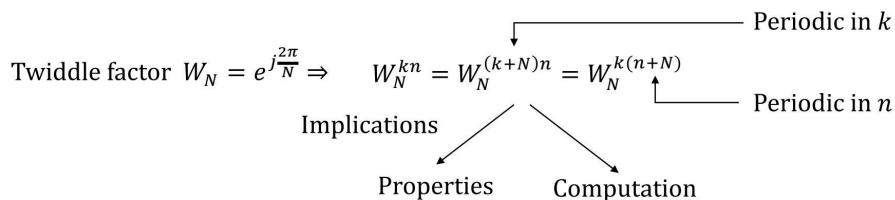
The DFT uniquely specifies  $N$  samples  $\{x(n)\}_0^{N-1}$  of any sequence by  $N$ -DFT coefficients  $\{X(k)\}_0^{N-1}$

## The Inherent DFT Periodicity

### $N$ -Point DFT Pair

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)W_N^{kn} \xleftarrow[N]{\text{DFT}} x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X(k)W_N^{-kn}$$

$k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$        $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$



Access values of  $x(n)$  and  $X(k)$  outside the range  $[0, N-1]$  using **periodic extension**

Compute finitely but think periodically!

## Real Sequences and the Meaning of Symmetry

$$x(n) = x_R(n) + jx_I(n)$$

$$X(k) = X_R(k) + jX_I(k)$$

$$X_R(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left[ x_R(n) \cos \frac{2\pi}{N} kn + x_I(n) \sin \frac{2\pi}{N} kn \right]$$

$$X_I(k) = - \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left[ x_R(n) \sin \frac{2\pi}{N} kn - x_I(n) \cos \frac{2\pi}{N} kn \right]$$

$$x_R(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left[ X_R(k) \cos \frac{2\pi}{N} kn - X_I(k) \sin \frac{2\pi}{N} kn \right]$$

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Real signals:  $x_I(n) = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$X_R(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) \cos \frac{2\pi}{N} kn$$

$$X_I(k) = - \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) \sin \frac{2\pi}{N} kn$$

$$X_R(-k) = X_R(k)$$

$$X_I(-k) = -X_I(k)$$

Symmetry is defined with respect to 0!

What is the meaning of symmetry in  $[0, N - 1]$ ?

## Symmetry of DFT of Real Sequences

$$X_R(-k) = X_R(k) \text{ and Periodic extension } \Rightarrow$$

$$X_R(N - k) = X_R(N + k) = X_R(k)$$

$$k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$$

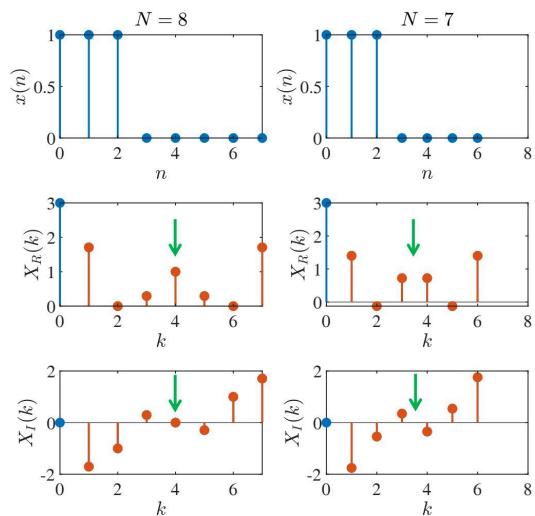
$$X_I(-k) = -X_I(k) \text{ and Periodic extension } \Rightarrow$$

$$X_I(-0) = -X_I(0) \Rightarrow X_I(0) = 0 \text{ (always!)}$$

$$X_I(N - k) = -X_I(N + k) = -X_I(k)$$

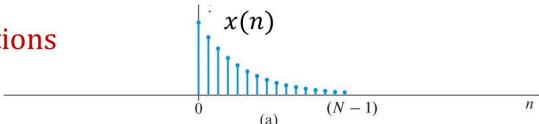
$$k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$$

Check symmetry with respect to the center of the interval  $[1, N - 1]$



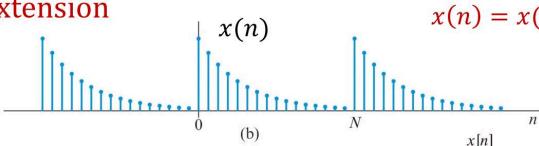
## Periodic Extension and Circular Wrapping

**Finite segment used for computations**



(a)

**Periodic extension**

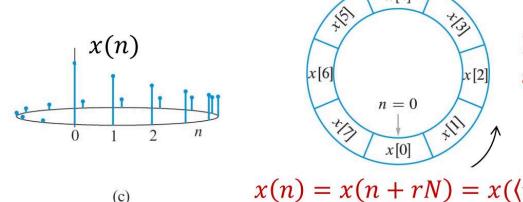


(b)

$x(n) = x(n + rN)$

**Visualizations used for interpretations and manipulations**

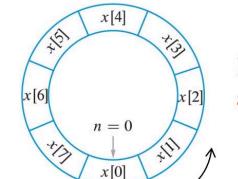
**Circular Wrapping**



(c)

$x(n) = x(n + rN) = x((n)_N)$

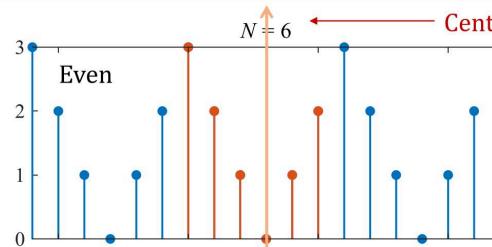
**Modulo-N addressing**



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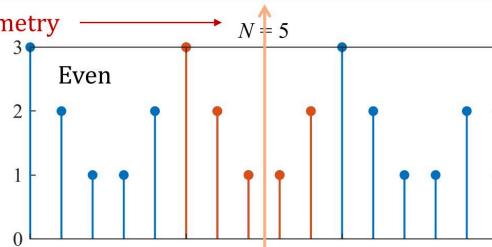
## Symmetry of Finite Length Sequences



**Even**

$N = 6$

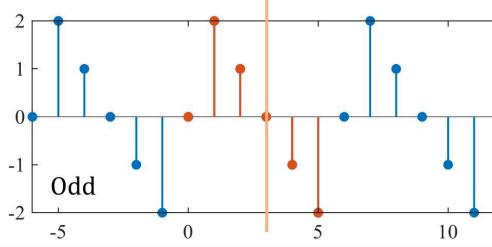
Center of symmetry



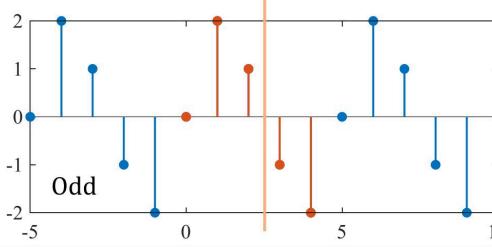
**Even**

$N = 5$

Center of symmetry



**Odd**



**Odd**

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## Symmetry Properties of DFT

<i>N</i> -Point Sequence $x(n)$ , $0 \leq n \leq N - 1$	<i>N</i> -Point DFT
$x(n)$	$X(k)$
$x^*(n)$	$X^*(N - k)$
$x^*(N - n)$	$X^*(k)$
$x_R(n)$	$X_{ce}(k) = \frac{1}{2}[X(k) + X^*(N - k)]$
$jX_I(n)$	$X_{co}(k) = \frac{1}{2}[X(k) - X^*(N - k)]$
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$x_{co}(n) = \frac{1}{2}[x(n) - x^*(N - n)]$	$jX_I(k)$
Real Signals	
Any real signal	$X(k) = X^*(N - k)$
$x(n)$	$X_R(k) = X_R(N - k)$
	$X_I(k) = -X_I(N - k)$
	$ X(k)  =  X(N - k) $
	$\angle X(k) = -\angle X(N - k)$
$x_{ce}(n) = \frac{1}{2}[x(n) + x(N - n)]$	$X_R(k)$
$x_{co}(n) = \frac{1}{2}[x(n) - x(N - n)]$	$jX_I(k)$

## Multiplication of Two *N*-Point DFTs

$$X(k) = \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} x(m)W_N^{km} \quad H(k) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} h(\ell)W_N^{k\ell} \quad Y(k) = H(k)X(k) \xrightarrow[N]{\text{IDFT}} y(n) = ?$$

$$y(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} H(k)X(k)W_N^{-kn} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} h(\ell)W_N^{k\ell} \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} x(m)W_N^{km} \right) W_N^{-kn}$$

$$y(n) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} h(\ell) \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} x(m) \underbrace{\left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} W_N^{-k(n-\ell-m)} \right)}_{\begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ if } n - \ell - m = rN \\ 0 \text{ if } n - \ell - m \neq rN \end{array}}$$

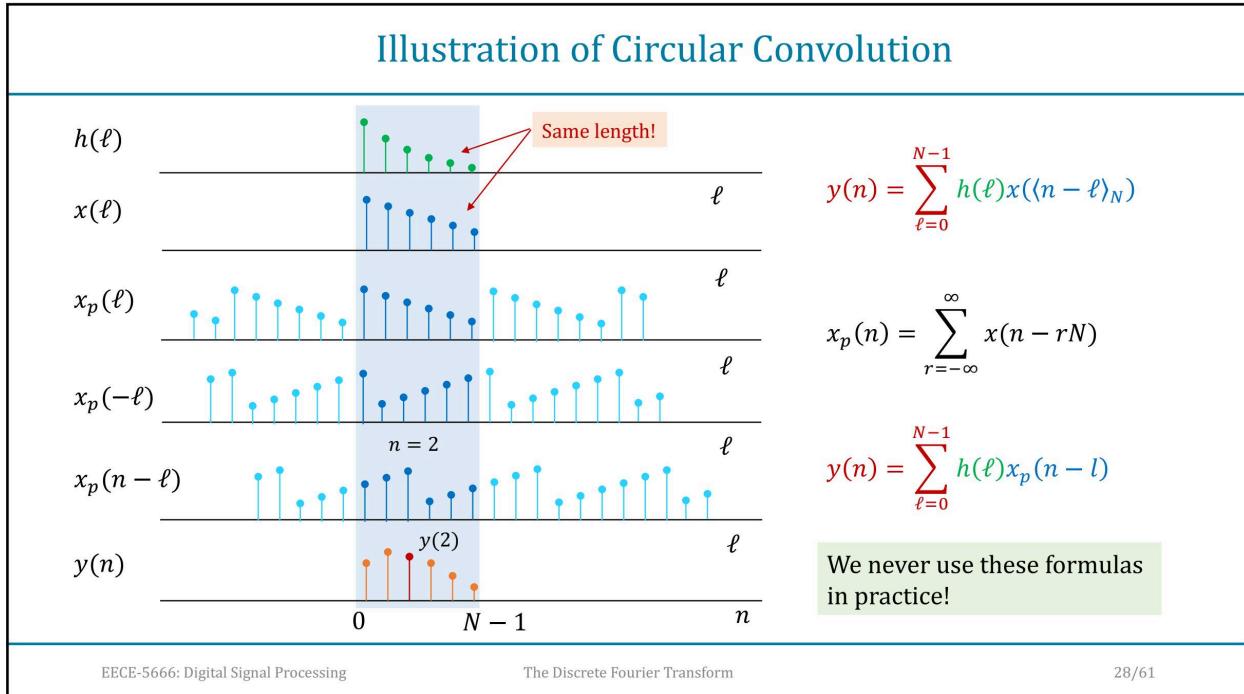
$y(n) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} h(\ell)x(n - \ell - rN)$ 

Periodic convolution

$m = n - \ell - rN = \langle n - \ell \rangle_N$ 
 $y(n) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} h(\ell)x(\langle n - \ell \rangle_N)$ 

Circular convolution

$y(n) = y(n + N)$



### Properties of DFT

Property	Time Domain	Frequency Domain
Notation	$x(n), y(n)$	$X(k), Y(k)$
Periodicity	$x(n) = x(n + N)$	$X(k) = X(k + N)$
Linearity	$a_1x_1(n) + a_2x_2(n)$	$a_1X_1(k) + a_2X_2(k)$
Time reversal	$x(N - n)$	$X(N - k)$
Circular time shift	$x((n - l))_N$	$X(k)e^{-j2\pi kl/N}$
Circular frequency shift	$x(n)e^{j2\pi ln/N}$	$X((k - l))_N$
Complex conjugate	$x^*(n)$	$X^*(N - k)$
Circular convolution	$x_1(n) \circledast x_2(n)$	$X_1(k)X_2(k)$
Circular correlation	$x(n) \circledast y^*(-n)$	$X(k)Y^*(k)$
Multiplication of two sequences	$x_1(n)x_2(n)$	$\frac{1}{N}X_1(k) \circledast X_2(k)$
Parseval's theorem	$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)y^*(n)$	$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X(k)Y^*(k)$

## FIR Filtering Using the DFT

Linear convolution

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} h(k)x(n-k)$$

$$x(n) = 0, \quad n \notin [0, L-1] \Rightarrow$$

$$y(n) = 0, \quad n \notin [0, L+M-2]$$

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

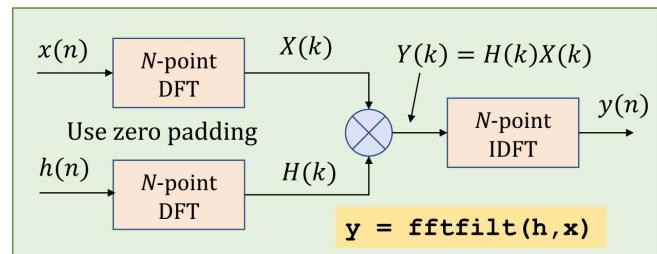
$$H(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{M-1} h(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$Y(\omega) = H(\omega)X(\omega)$$

Let  $N \geq L + M - 1$

$$Y\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right) = H\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right)X\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right), k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

IDFT  $\{y(0), y(1), \dots, y(L+M-2), 0, \dots, 0\}$



$$N < L + M - 1 \Rightarrow \text{IDFT}\{Y(k)\} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} y(n-mN) \quad \text{Aliasing!}$$

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## Example

$$h(n) = \{1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1\}, \quad M = 4$$

$$H(z) = 1 + z^{-2} + z^{-3}$$

$$x(n) = \{0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3\}, \quad L = 4$$

$$X(z) = z^{-1} + 2z^{-2} + 3z^{-3}$$

$$Y(z) = H(z)X(z) = z^{-1} + 2z^{-2} + 4z^{-3} + 3z^{-4} + 5z^{-5} + 3z^{-6}$$

$$y(n) = \{0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 4 \ 3 \ 5 \ 3\}$$

$$N = L + M - 1 = 7$$

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X=fft(h,N);
H=fft(h,N);
Y=H.*X;
y=real(ifft(Y))
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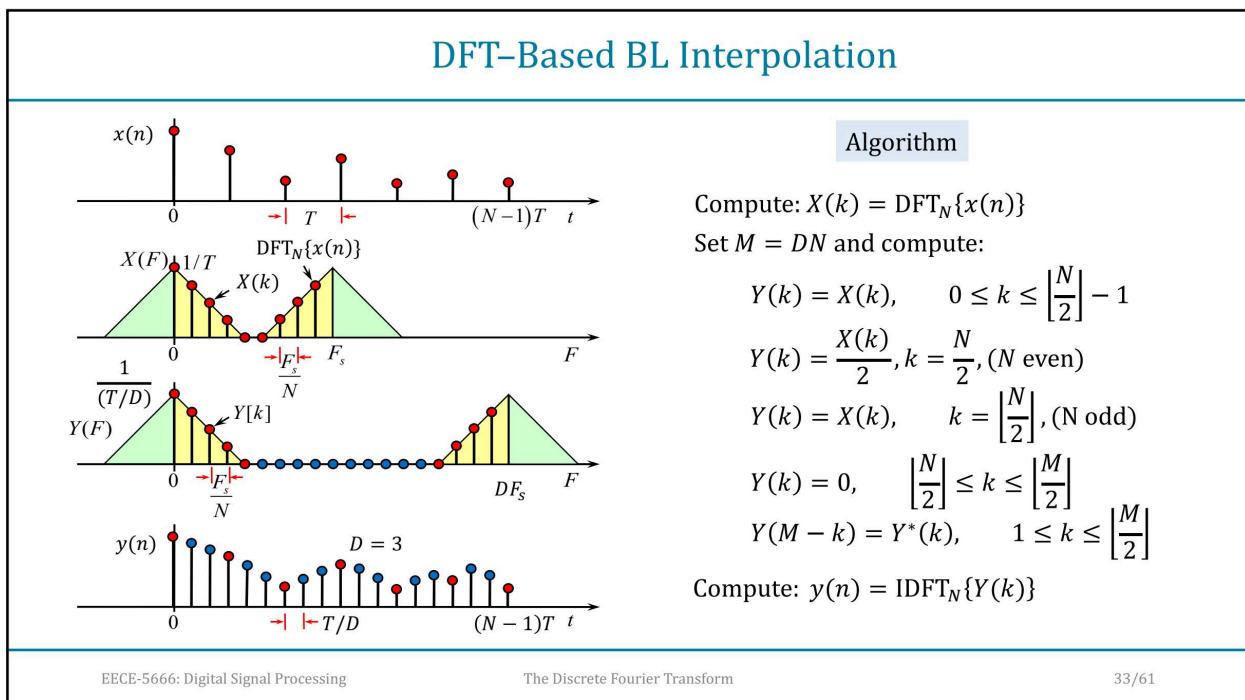
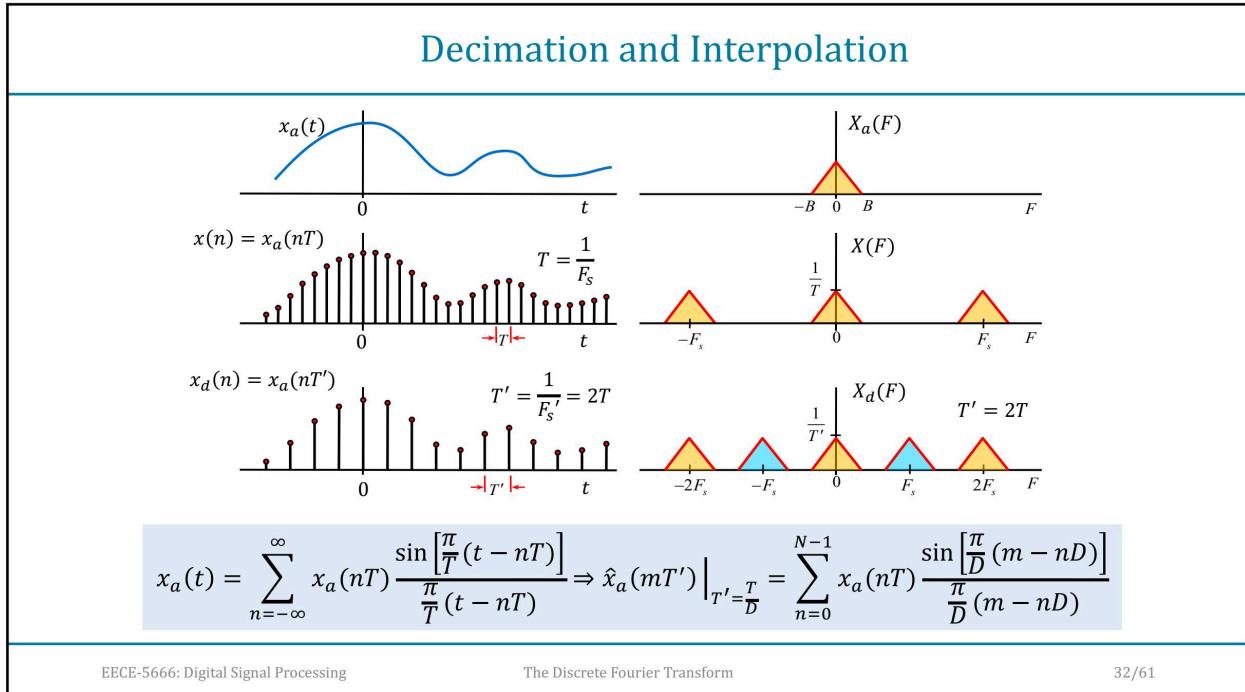
$y =$ 2        2        3        2	$N = 4$
$y =$ Columns 1 through 5  0        1.0000        2.0000        4.0000        3.0000  Columns 6 through 8  5.0000        3.0000        0	$N = 8$

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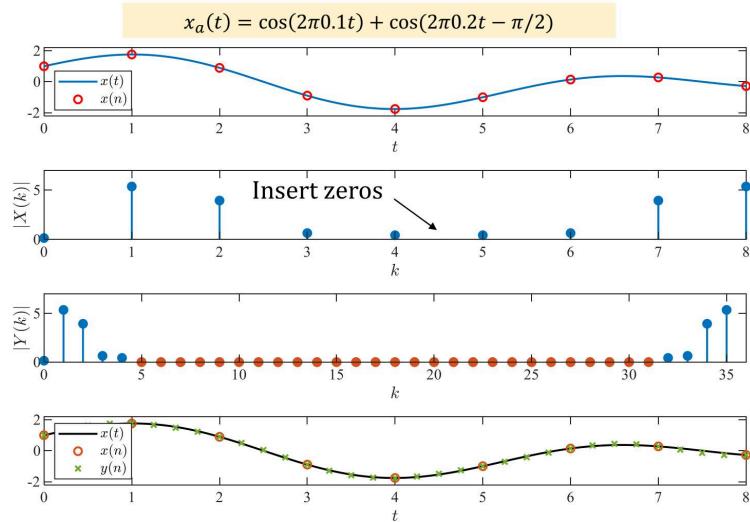
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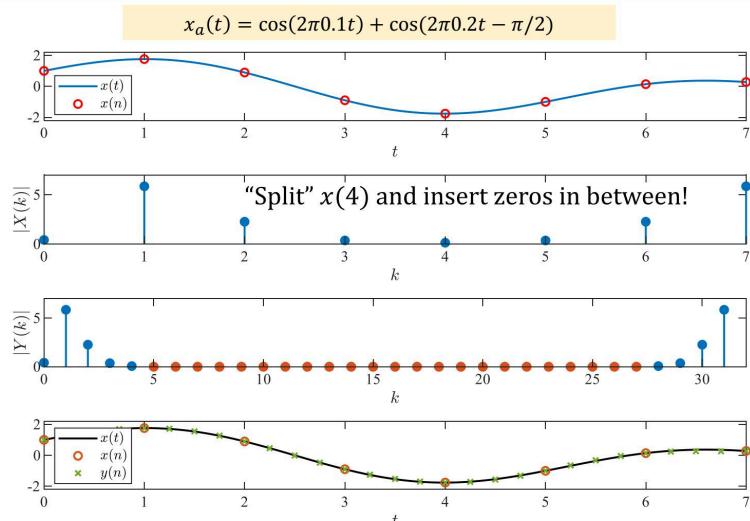
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### Example of DFT-Based Interpolation ( $N = 9$ )



### Example of DFT-Based Interpolation ( $N = 8$ )



## Summary

- The  $N$ -point DFT treats the  $N$ -input samples as one period of a periodic sequence
- Symmetry in DFT/IDFT inputs and outputs is defined about  $n = k = 0$  for the “periodic” viewpoint and about  $n = k = N/2$  for the “circular” viewpoint
- Shift and fold operations should be considered in a periodic or circular context
- DFT of real sequences
  - Real part has even symmetry
  - Imaginary part has odd symmetry
  - Real and even sequences have a real and even DFT
- The DFT can be used for the efficient computation of circular convolution and the implementation of “block” FIR filters

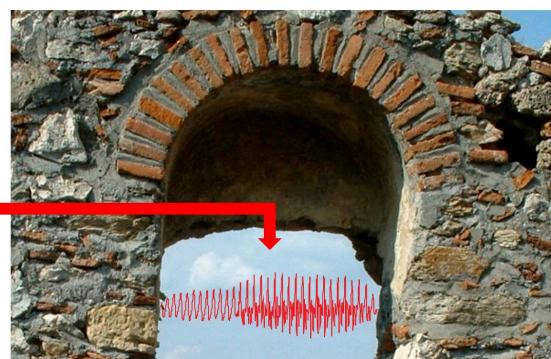
## Fourier or Spectral Analysis of Signals

The objective of **Fourier** or **spectral analysis** is to determine the **spectrum** (Fourier transform or Fourier series) of a signal from a set of observed signal values (data)

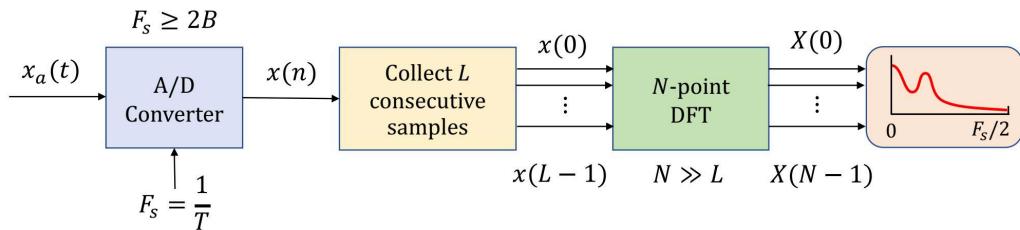
**Theory:** The entire signal is available  
 $\Rightarrow$  Compute **exact** (“true”) spectrum

**Practice:** Only a finite segment of the signal is available  $\Leftrightarrow$  **Windowing**  
 $\Rightarrow$  Compute **approximate** spectrum

Every practical DSP application involves some kind of windowing!

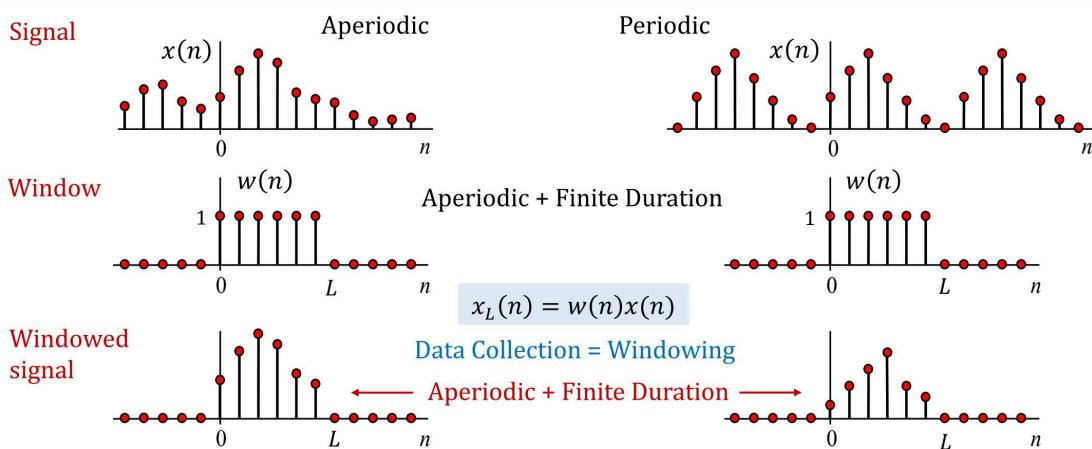


## Fourier Analysis Using the DFT



- The sampling frequency  $F_s$  determines the highest frequency component than can be distinguished ("seen") in the spectrum
- The duration  $LT$  of the segment determines the lowest frequency component (except DC)  $F_0 = \frac{1}{LT}$  that can be "seen" in the spectrum
- The most challenging aspect of spectral analysis is to understand how the DFT coefficients are related to the "true" spectrum of the signal
- We typically assume that sampling is done properly and we focus on the sequence  $x(n)$

## Practical Spectral Analysis



Evaluate and use the continuous function  $X_L(\omega)$  to approximate the DTFS (discrete spectrum) or DTFT (continuous spectrum) of  $x(n)$

## The Signal Windowing Theorem

Windowing:  $s(n) = x(n)w(n) \Rightarrow$

$$S(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} s(n)e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)w(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

Periodic  $x(n)$

$$S(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn} \right] w(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$S(\omega) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k \left[ \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} w(n)e^{j(\omega - \frac{2\pi}{N}k)n} \right]$$

$$S(\omega) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k W\left(\omega - \frac{2\pi}{N}k\right)$$

Superposition  
of window's  
spectra

Aperiodic  $x(n)$

$$S(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(\theta) e^{j\theta n} d\theta \right] w(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

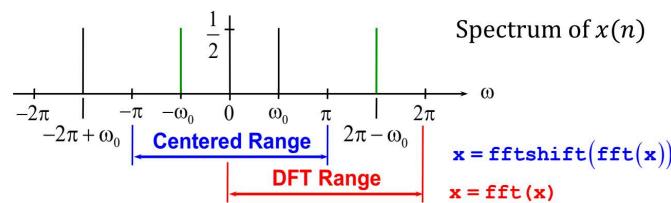
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(\theta) \left[ \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} w(n)e^{-j(\omega-\theta)n} \right] d\theta$$

$$S(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(\theta) W(\omega - \theta) d\theta$$

Periodic  
convolution

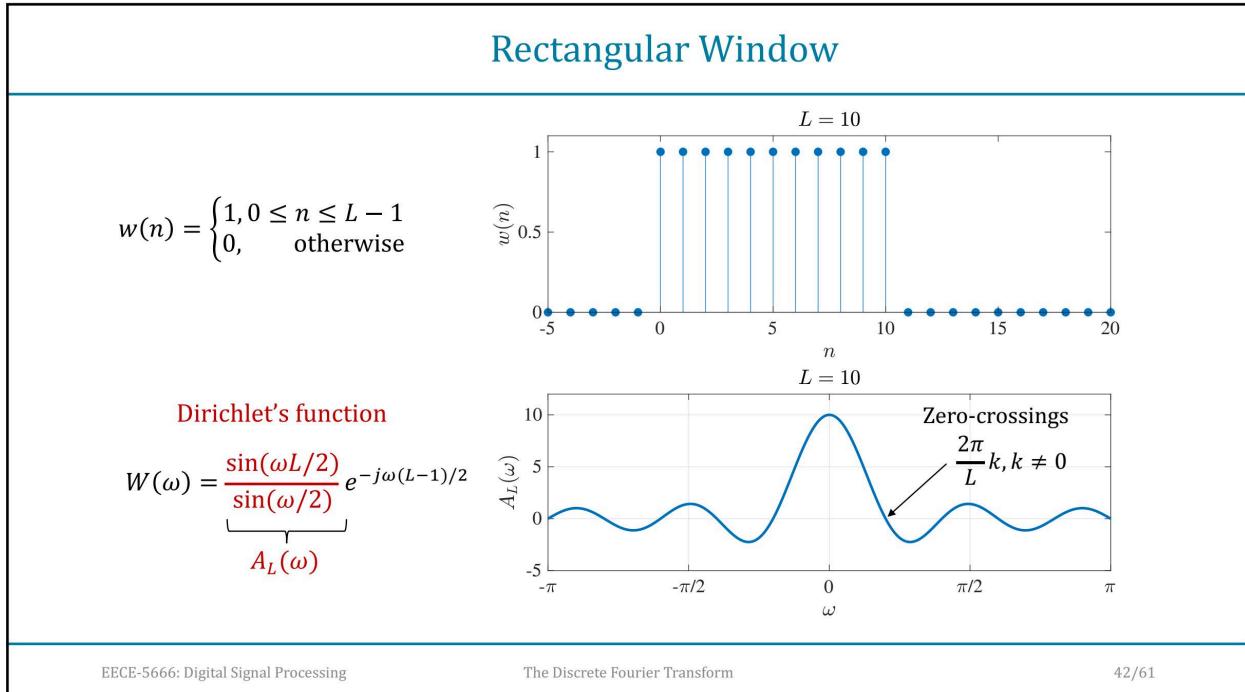
## Truncating a Sinusoidal Signal

$$x(n) = \cos \omega_0 n = \frac{1}{2} e^{j\omega_0 n} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\omega_0 n}, \quad -\infty < n < \infty$$

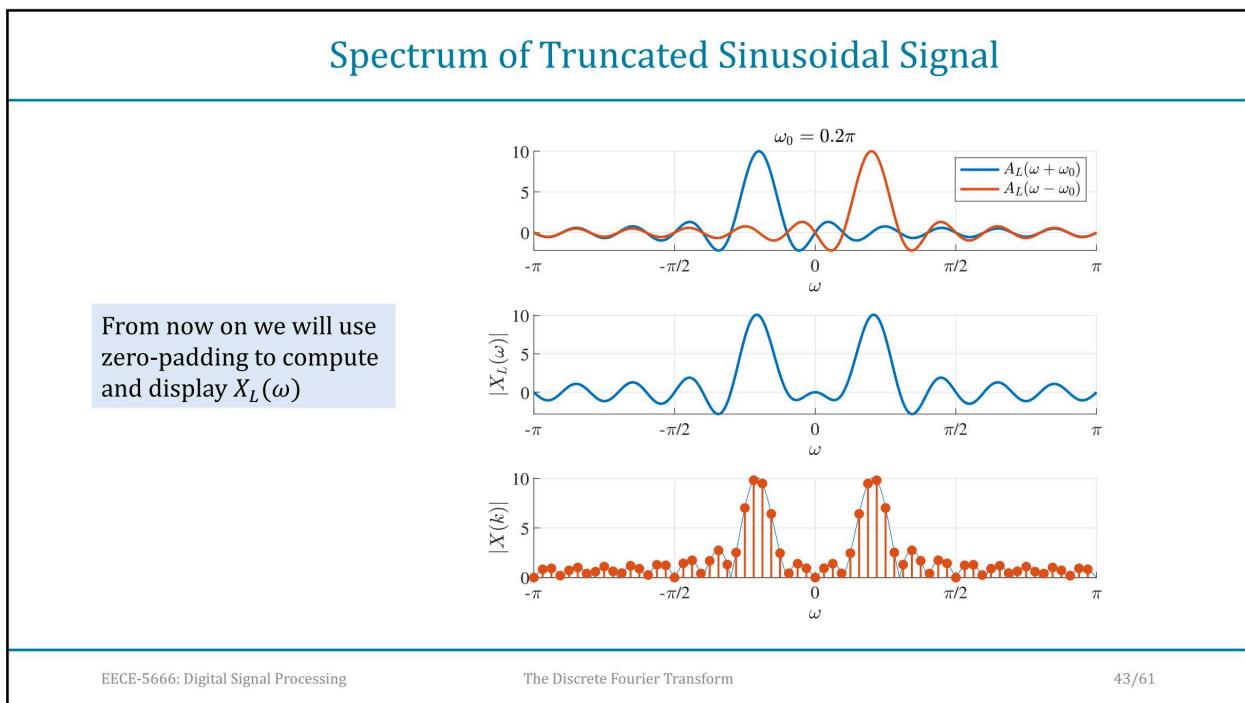


$$x_L(n) = w(n) \cos \omega_0 n = \frac{1}{2} e^{j\omega_0 n} w(n) + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\omega_0 n} w(n)$$

$$X_L(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} W(\omega + \omega_0) + \frac{1}{2} W(\omega - \omega_0)$$

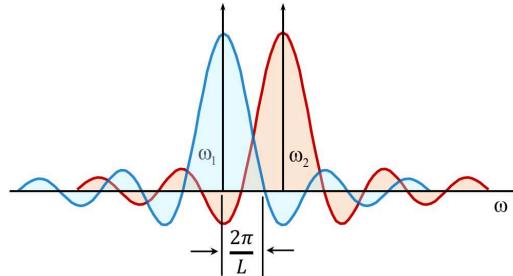


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## Spectral Resolution

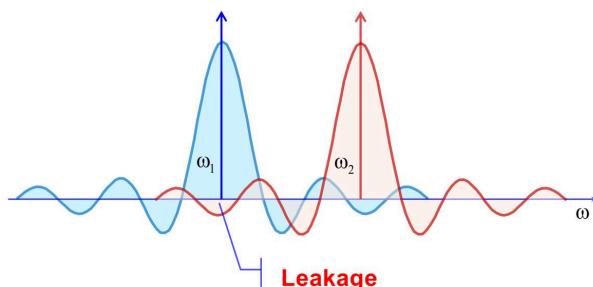


- To resolve two peaks using a rectangular window requires:

$$|\omega_1 - \omega_2| \geq \frac{2\pi}{L} \Rightarrow |f_1 - f_2| \geq \frac{1}{L} \Rightarrow L \geq \frac{1}{|f_1 - f_2|} = \frac{1}{\Delta f}$$

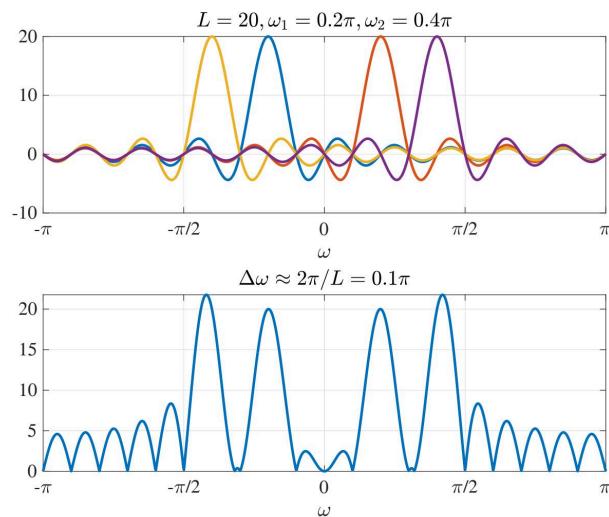
- The ability to distinguish peaks (resolvability) depends on the width of the “main” lobe which is determined by the window length  $L$

## Spectral Leakage

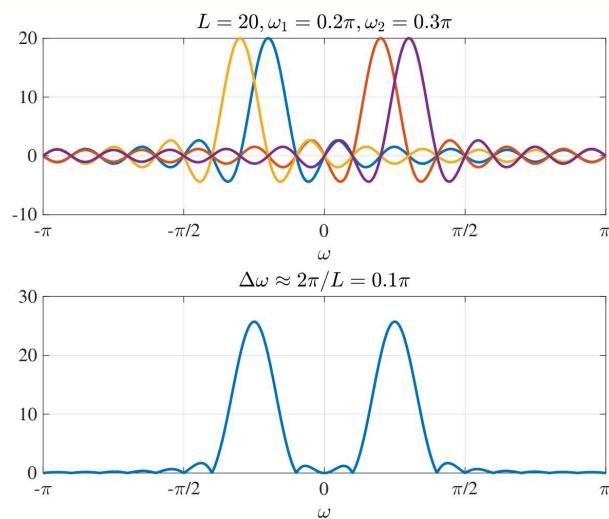


- Power from one frequency component leaks into the vicinity of another frequency component through the window side lobes
- The degree of leakage depends on the relative amplitude of the main lobe and the side lobes of the window transform
- Leakage creates “false” peaks, that is, peaks at wrong frequencies, non-existing peaks, or changes the amplitude of existing peaks

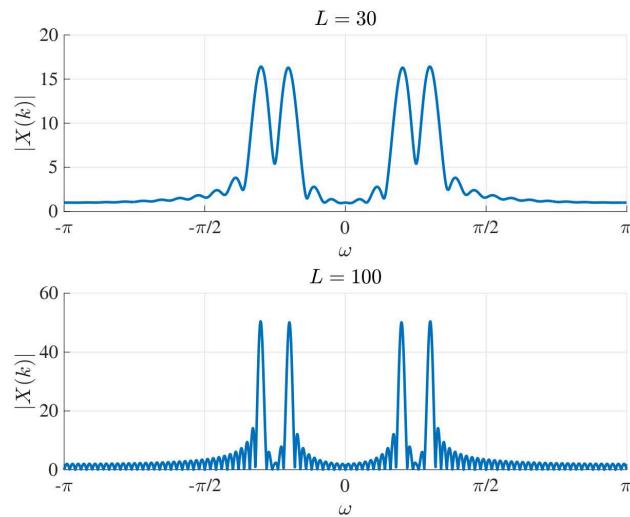
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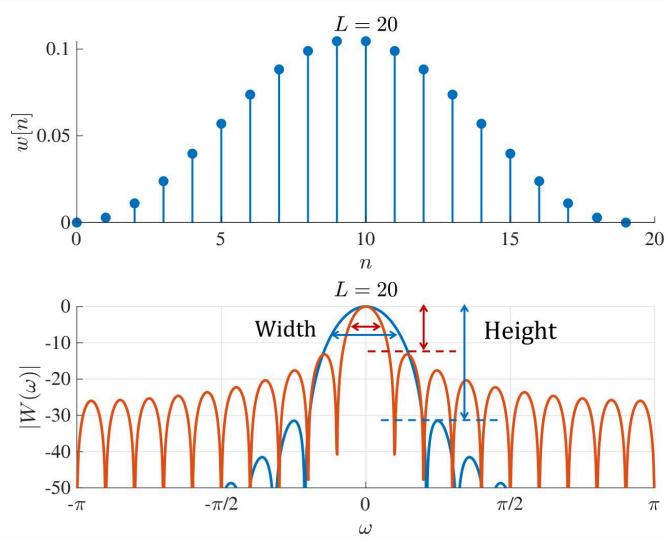
### Spectral Resolution: Insufficient



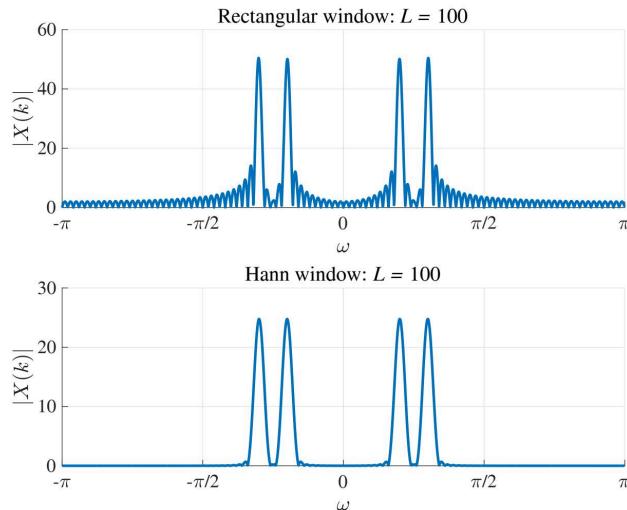
### Spectral Resolution: Observation Length



### Non-Rectangular Windowing: Hann Window



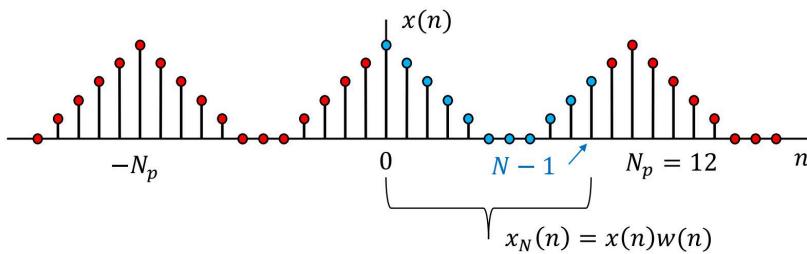
## Spectral Resolution: Effect of Window Shape



## Spectral Resolution versus DFT “Resolution”

- **Spectral resolution** is related to the ability to distinguish (“resolve”) two closely spaced-in-frequency spectral lines (sinusoids or complex exponentials)
- **DFT resolution** is the sampling interval  $2\pi/N$  used by DFT to sample the DTFT of a windowed sequence in the fundamental frequency interval  $0 \leq \omega < 2\pi$
- Zero padding **improves the “visual appearance”** by computing more closely spaced samples of the DTFT curve
- Zero padding **does not improve the spectral resolution** because the shape of the DTFT curve depends upon the “actual” size of the window, that is, the non zero samples of the signal

## Using the DFT for Periodic Sequences



$$c_k = \frac{1}{N_p} \sum_{n=0}^{N_p-1} x(n)e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N_p}kn}$$

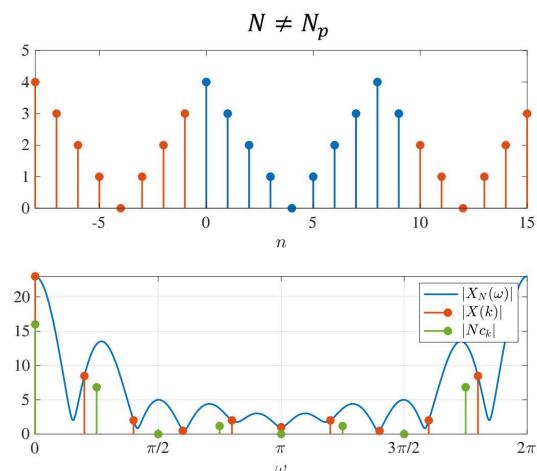
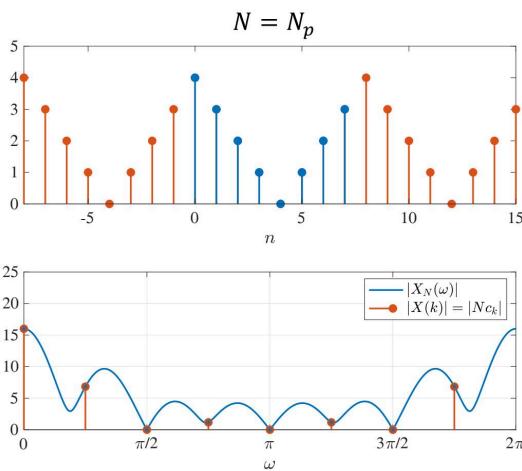
$$X_N(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{k=0}^{N_p-1} c_k W\left(\omega - \frac{2\pi}{N_p}k\right)$$

$$N = N_p \Rightarrow c_k = \frac{1}{N} X(k)$$

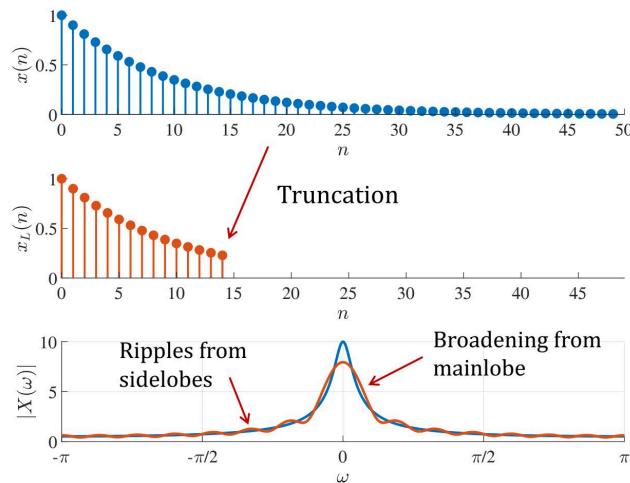
$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn} = X_N\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right)$$

$$N \neq N_p \Rightarrow c_k \neq \frac{1}{N} X(k)$$

## Example



### Example: Windowing an Aperiodic Sequence



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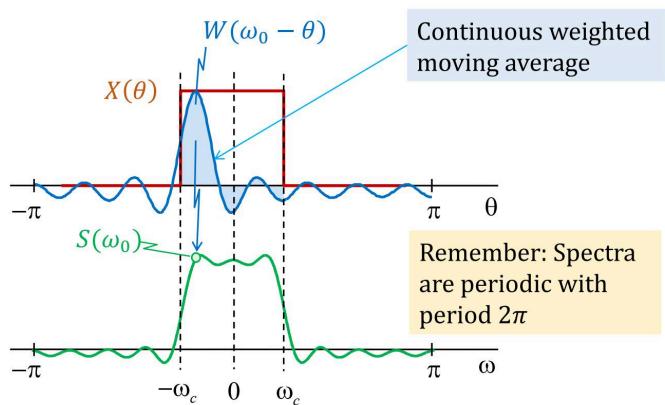
### Illustration of Periodic Frequency-Domain Convolution

$$S(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(\theta) W(\omega - \theta) d\theta = X(\omega) \otimes W(\omega)$$

Linear combination of window spectrum copies

$$S(\omega) \approx \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k\right) W\left(\omega - \frac{2\pi}{N}k\right)$$

Windowing is an “unintended and unavoidable” operation in Fourier analysis and filter design!

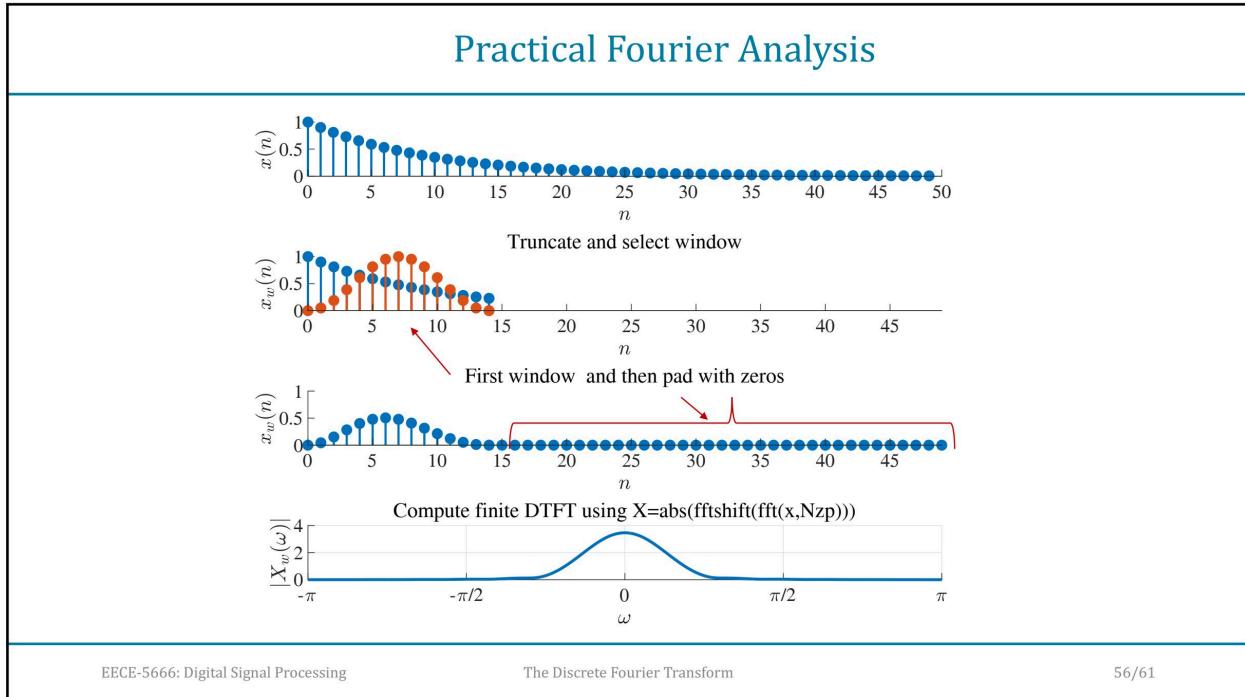


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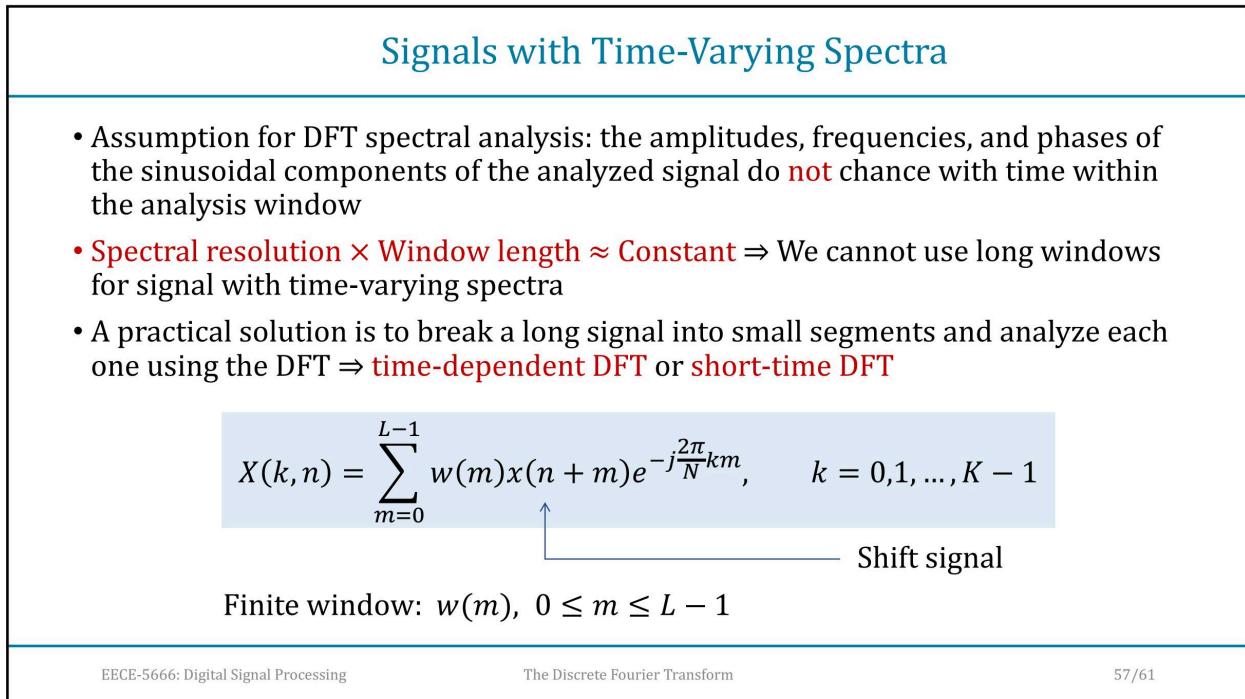
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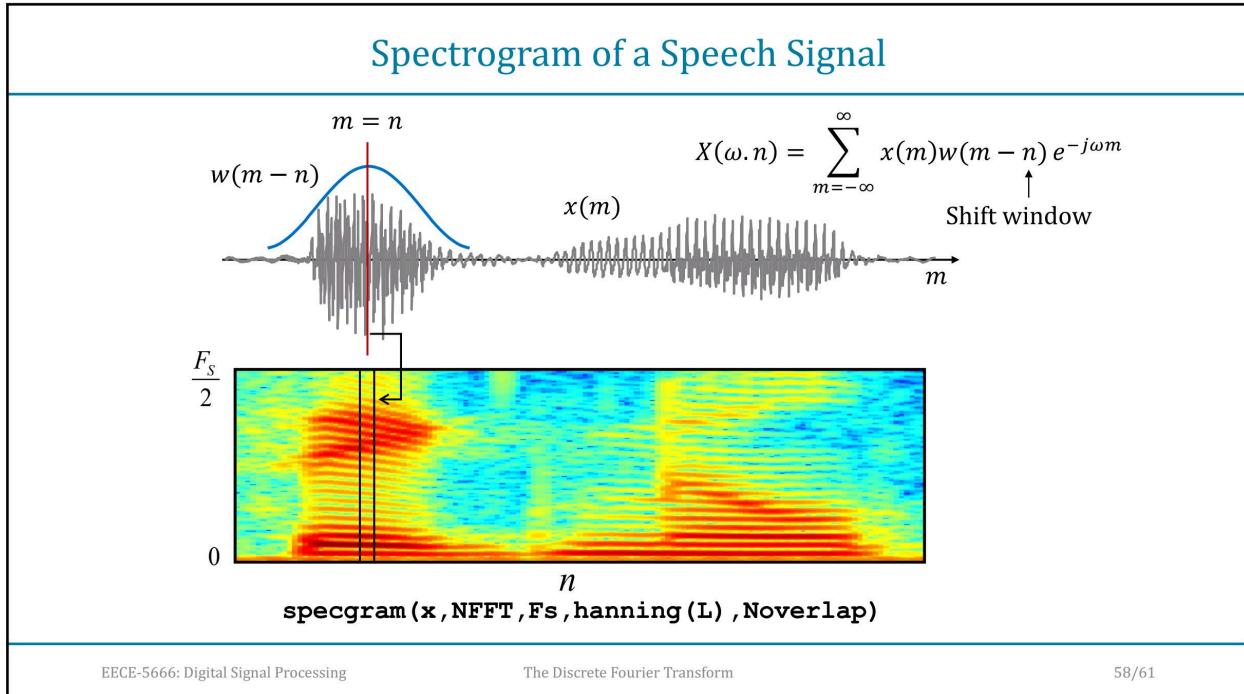
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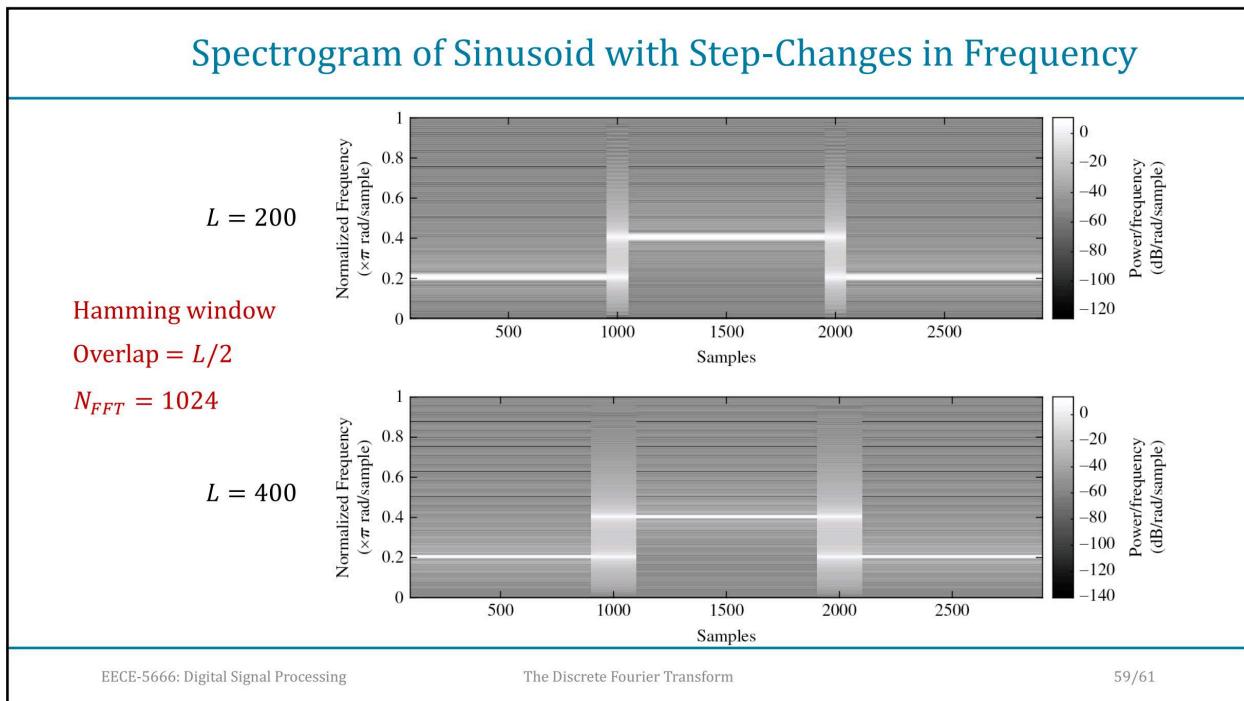


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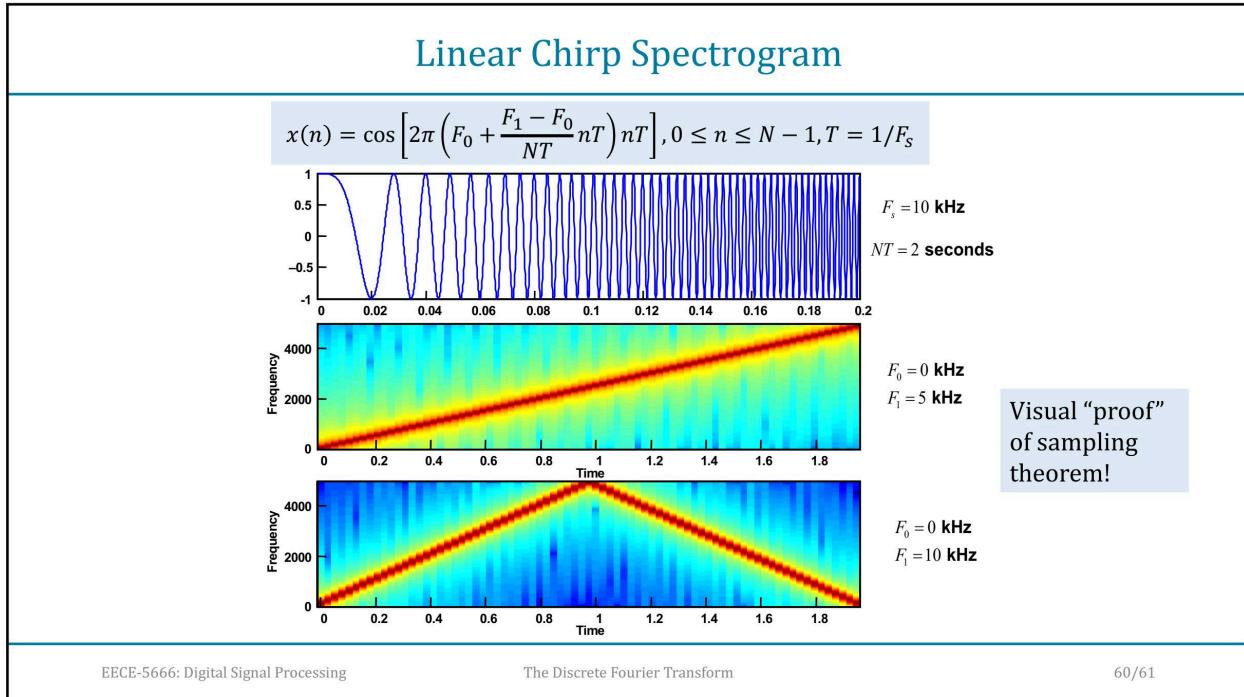


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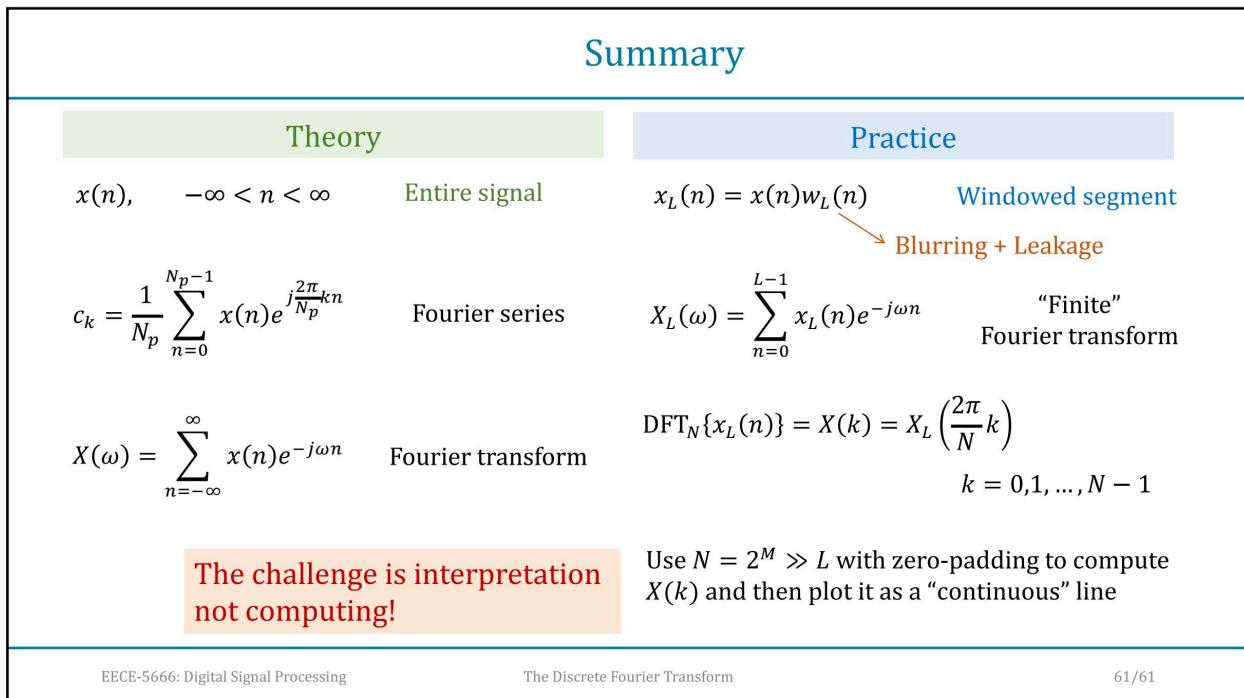
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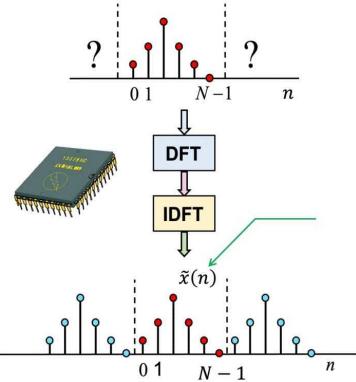
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User before DFT



User after IDFT

