

EBU4375: SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS

TOPIC 3-2: FOURIER SERIES OF DISCRETE-TIME PERIODIC SIGNALS



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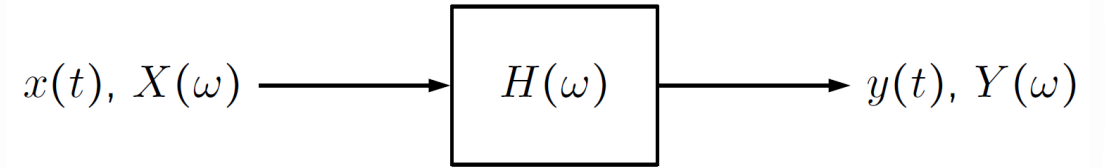
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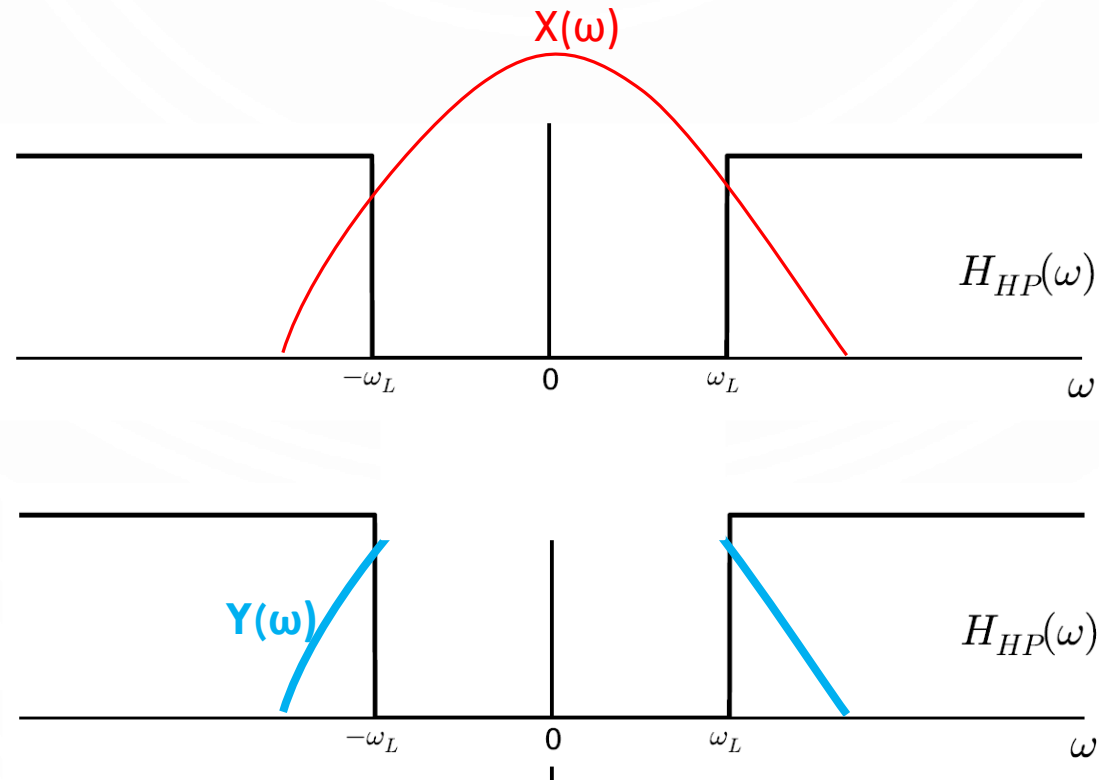
1: QUICK REVIEW

- Please put the recording on hold and login to QM+
- Go to Topic 3
- Take 10 minutes to answer the questions in T3-Q3
- You can retry as many times as you wish.
- Take 5 minutes to understand your mistakes and discuss with your friends
- You are still unsure? Post your question on the MS Teams channel or QM+ forum.

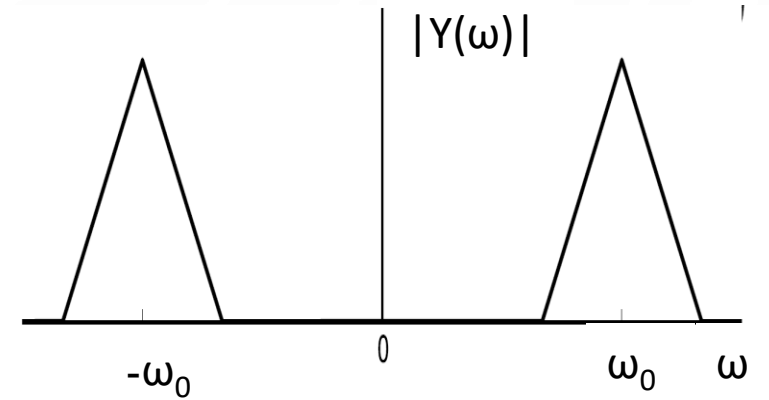
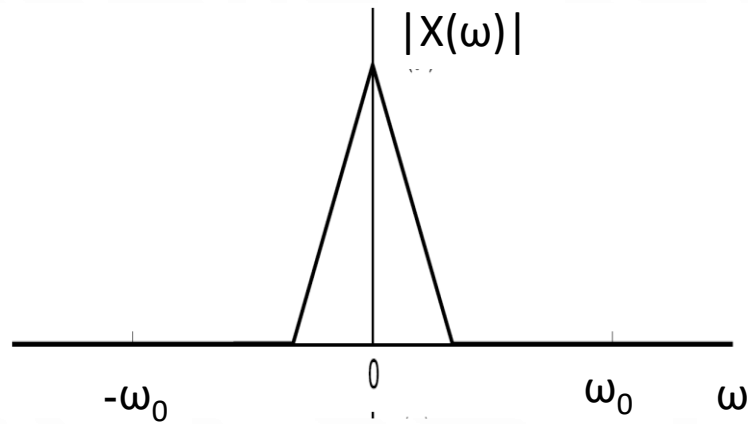
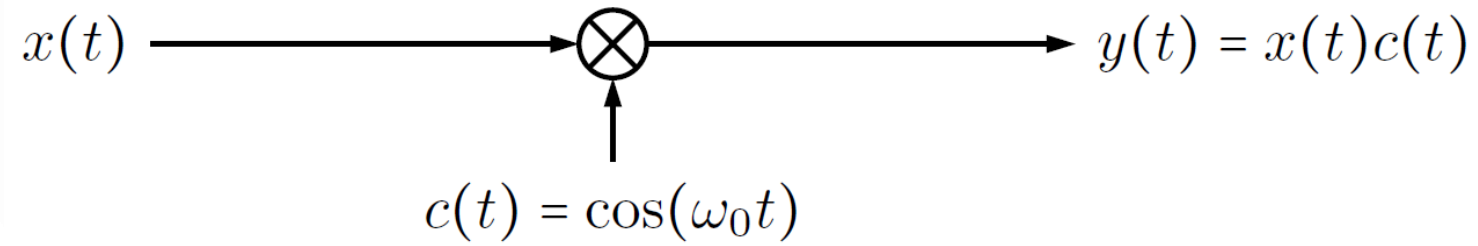
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$$y(t) = x(t) \star h(t) \xLeftrightarrow{FT} Y(\omega) = X(\omega)H(\omega)$$



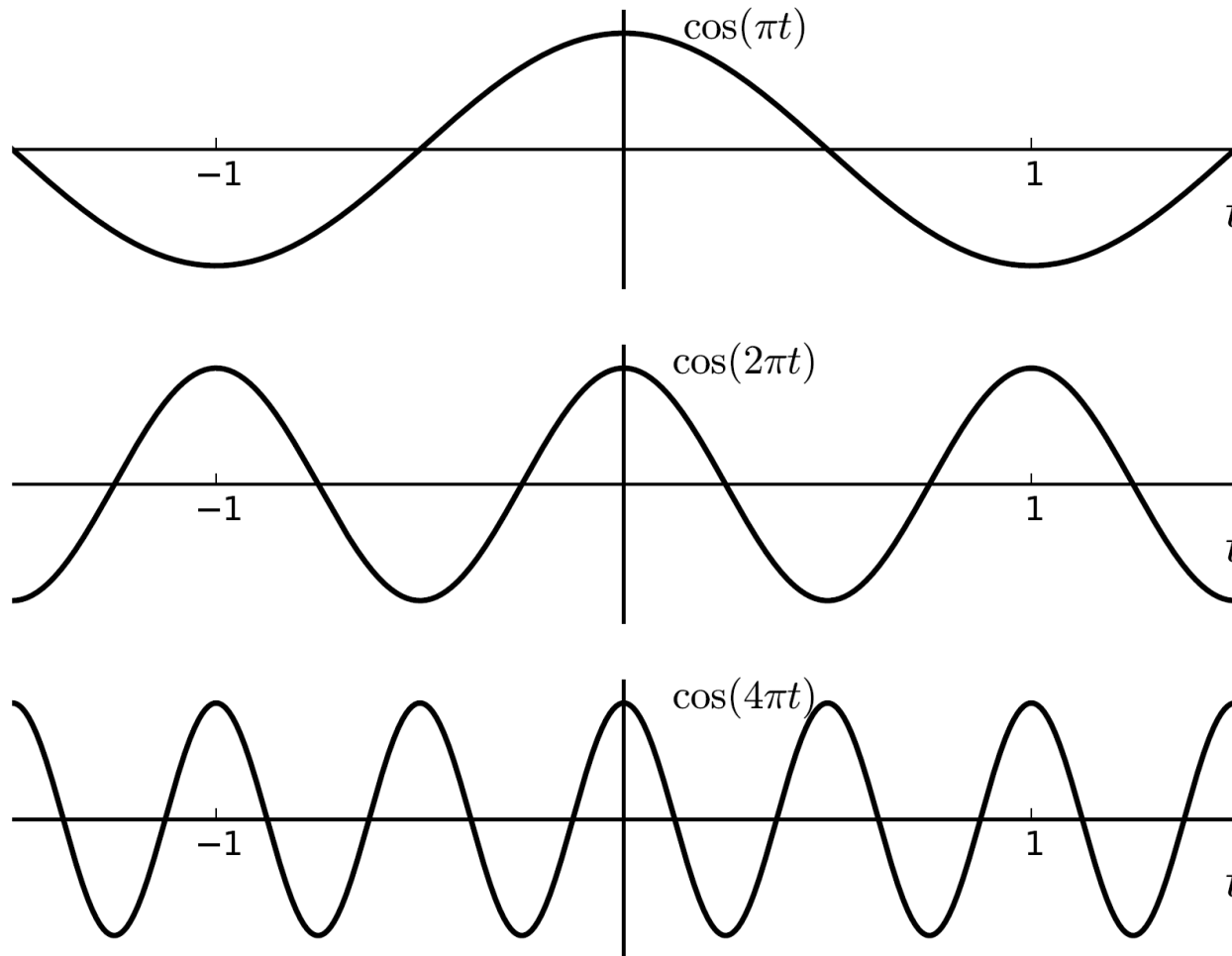
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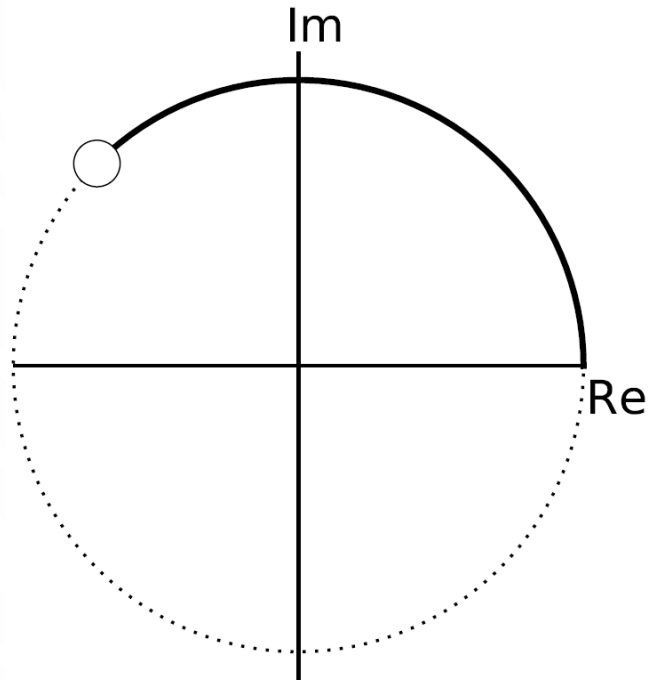
2: CT sinusoidal signals: PERIODICITY



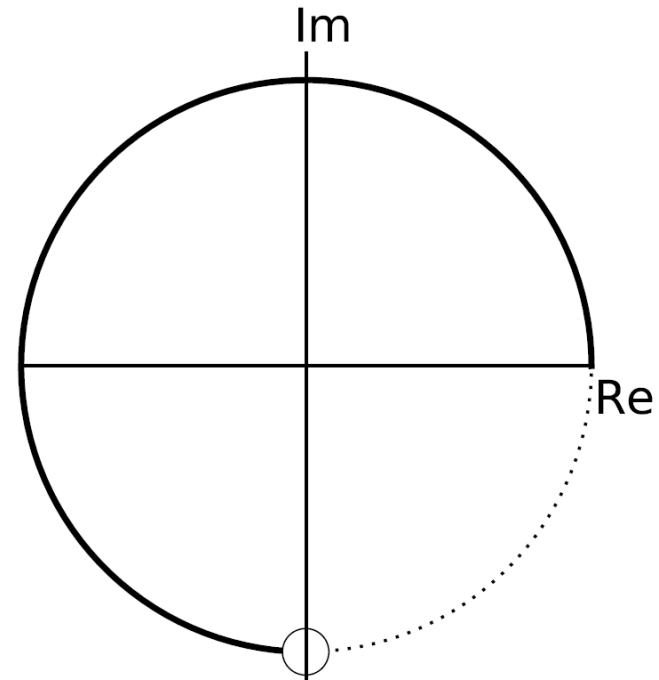
2: CT complex exponentials: Periodicity

$$t = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$e^{j\pi t}$$



$$e^{j2\pi t}$$



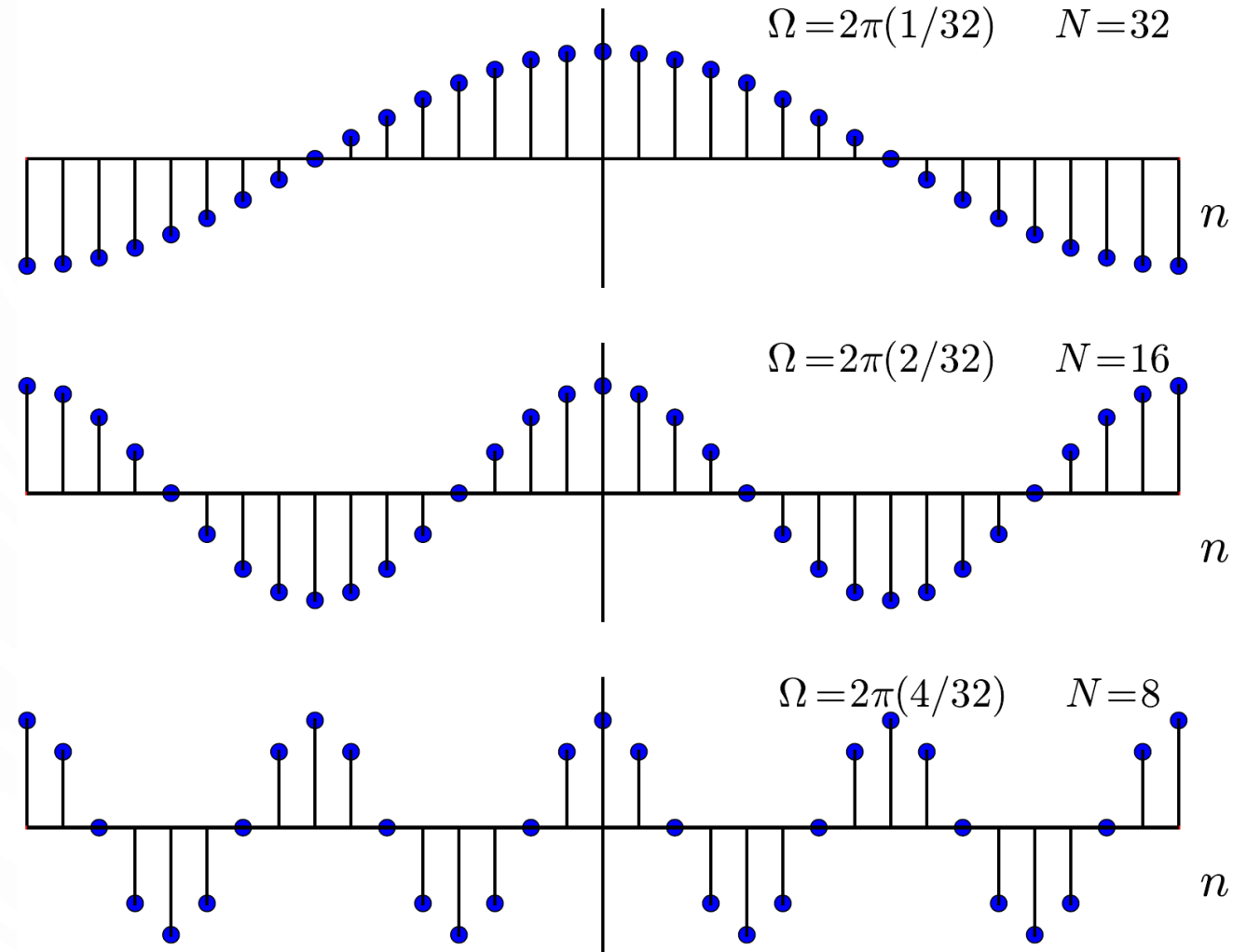
1: The frequency domain and the Fourier transform

- Consider the discrete time complex exponentials $x[n] = e^{j\Omega n}$.
- If $x[n]$ is periodic with period N then: $x[n] = x[n+N]$
- Not every value of Ω produces a periodic signal. If we assume that $x[n] = e^{j\Omega n}$ is periodic, then:

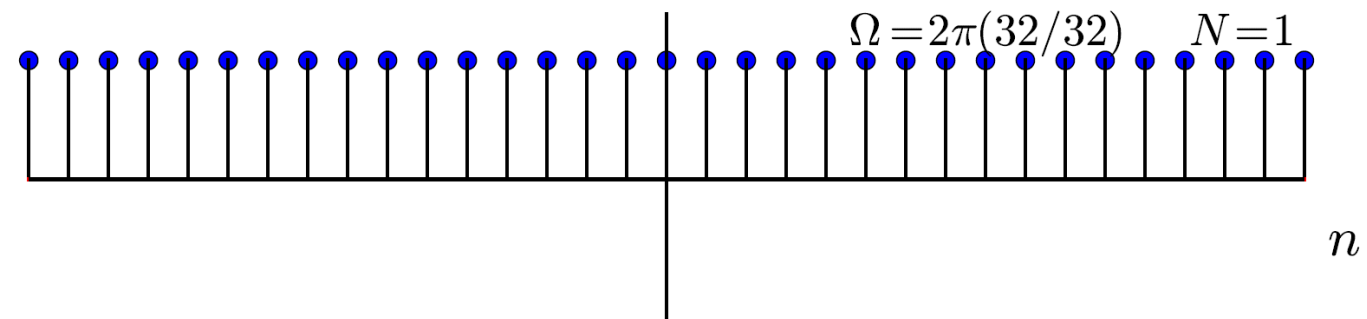
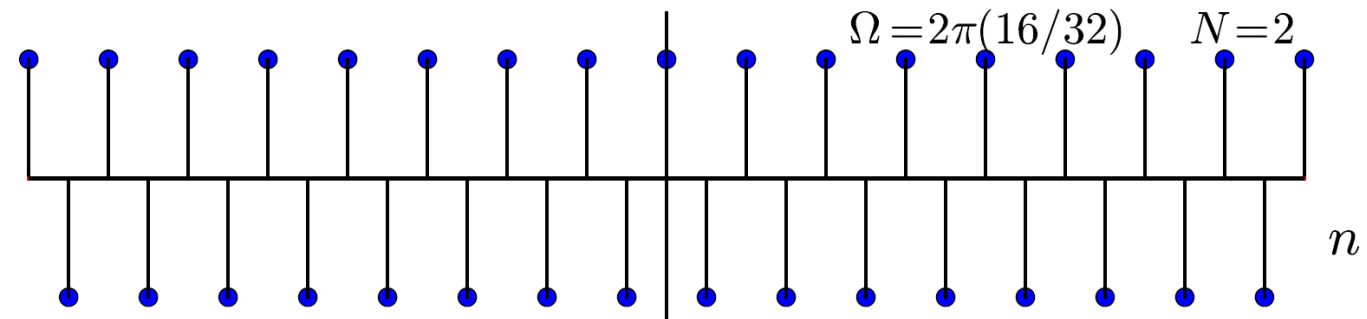
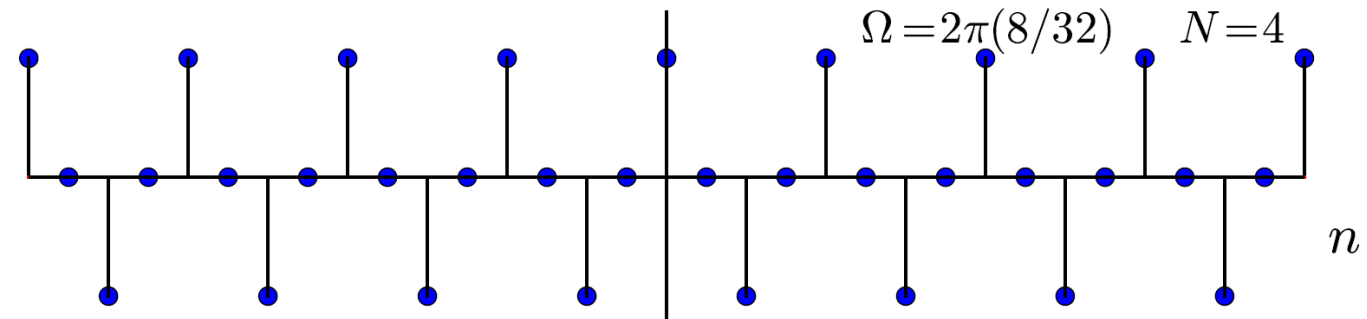
$$x[n+N] = e^{j\Omega(n+N)} = e^{j\Omega n} \cdot e^{j\Omega N}$$

- If periodic, then $x[n+N] = x[n] \Rightarrow e^{j\Omega n} \cdot e^{j\Omega N} = e^{j\Omega n} \Rightarrow e^{j\Omega N} = 1$.
- hence we need that $\Omega N = 2\pi k \Rightarrow \Omega = 2\pi k/N$.
- Can you find the condition for sinusoidal signals to be periodic?

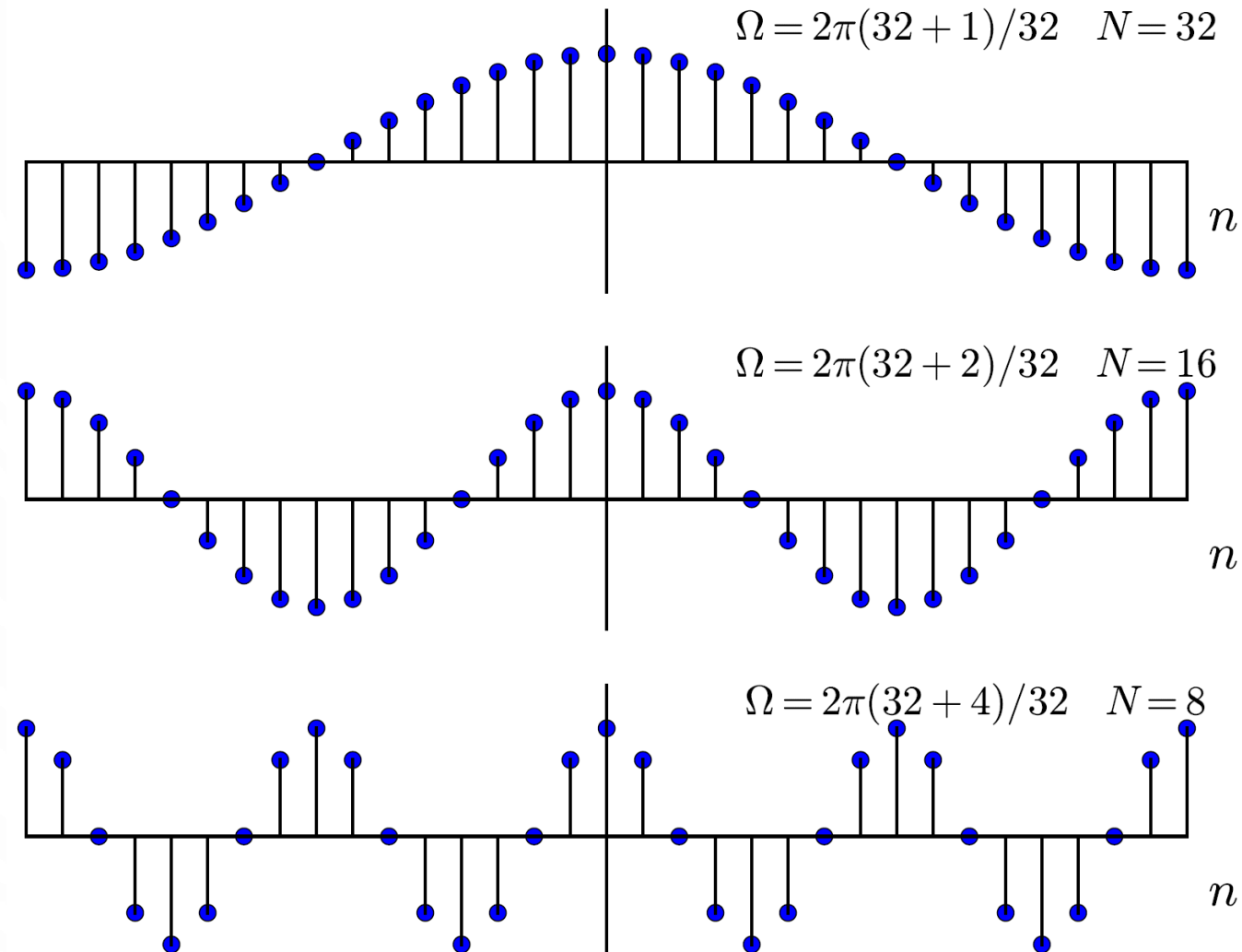
1: Discrete time Sinusoidal signals



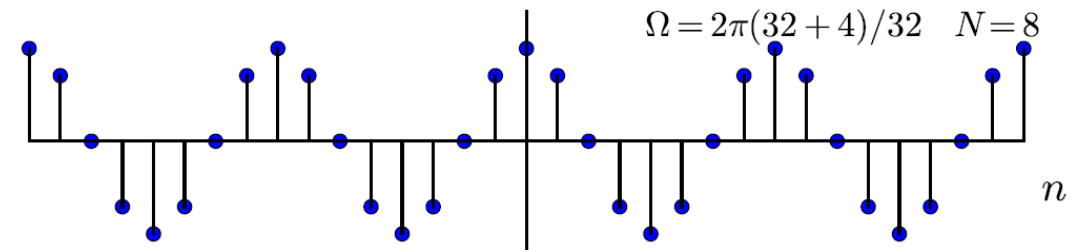
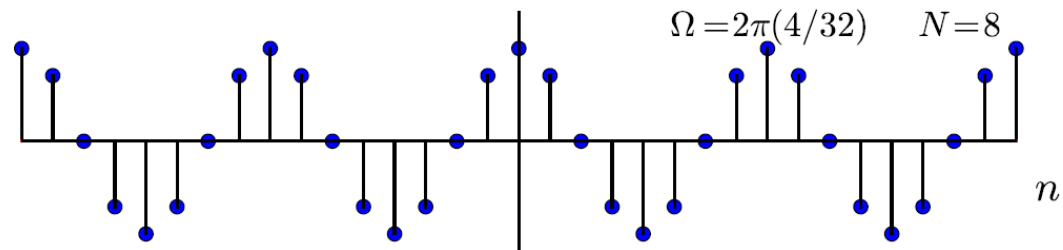
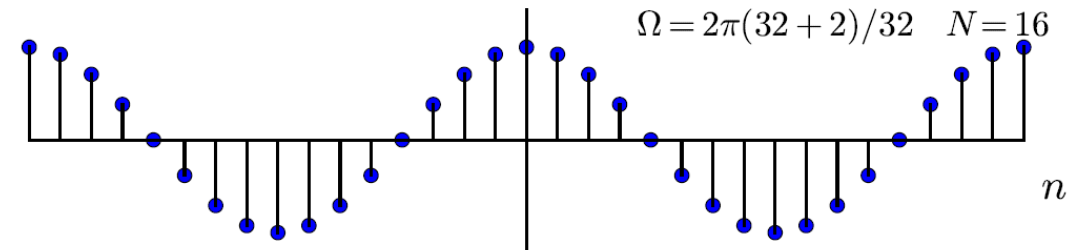
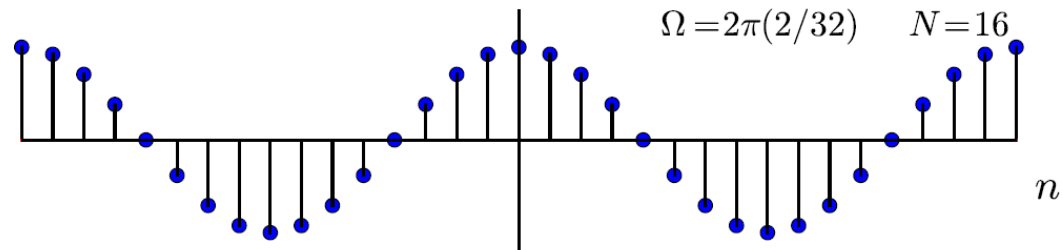
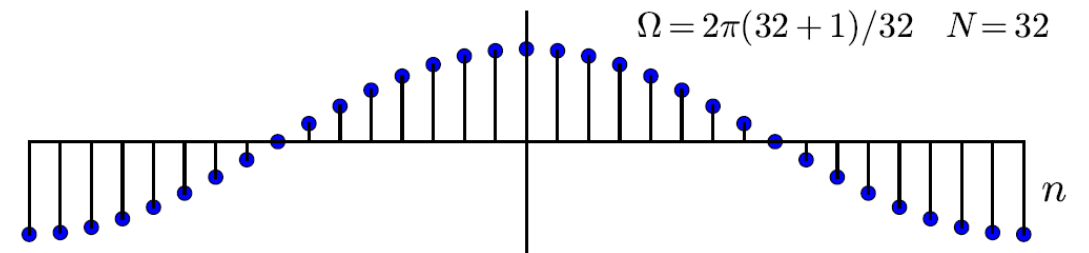
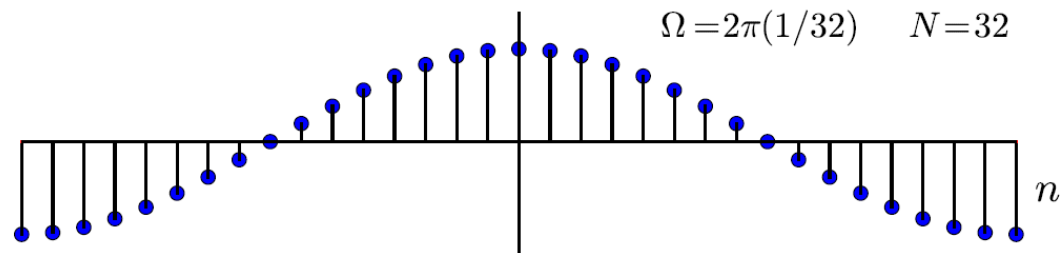
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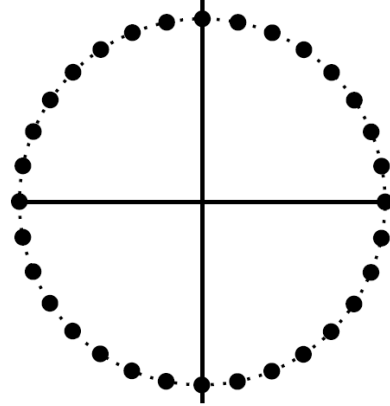
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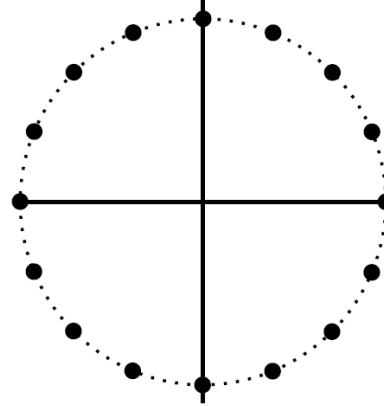
We have found some sinusoidal signals with **different frequencies** that are **identical**. *Why is that?*

1: Discrete time Complex Exponentials

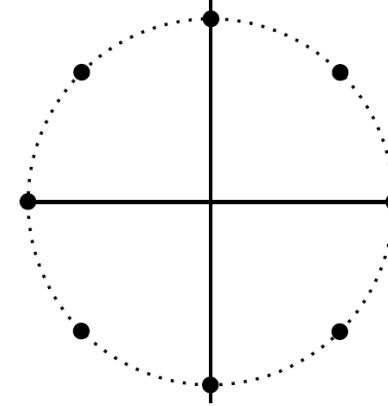
$$\Omega = 2\pi(1/32)$$



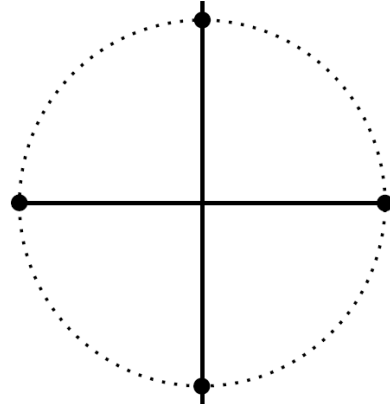
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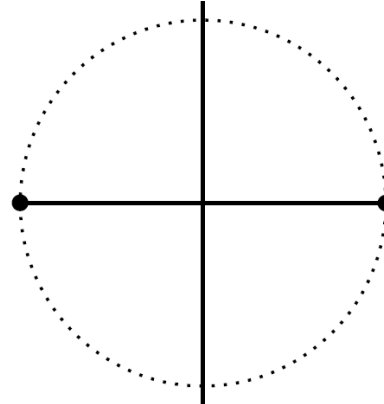
$$\Omega = 2\pi(4/32)$$



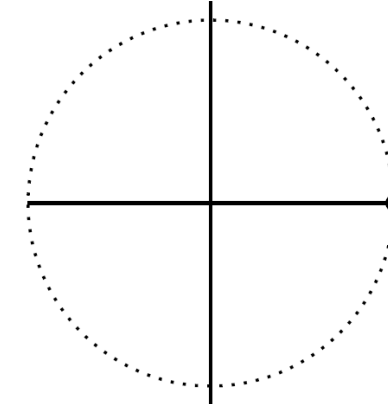
$$\Omega = 2\pi(8/32)$$



$$\Omega = 2\pi(16/32)$$

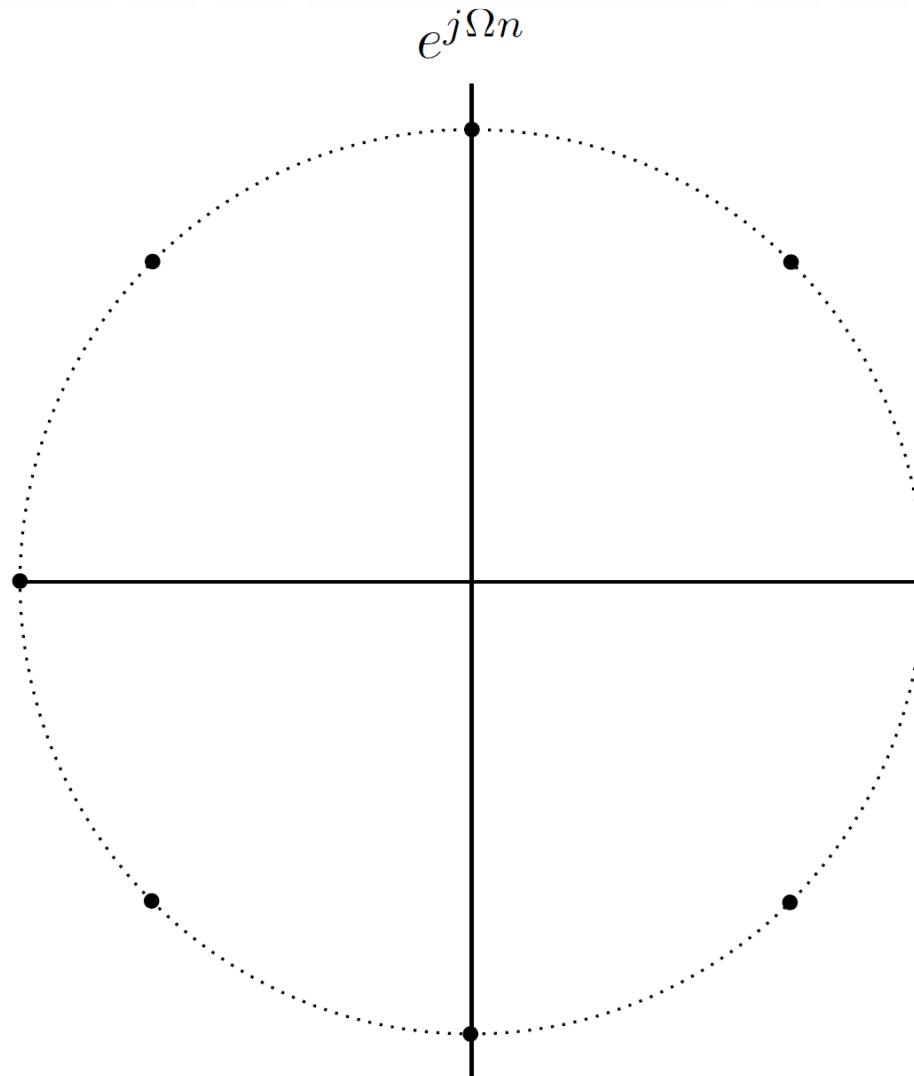


$$\Omega = 2\pi(32/32)$$



1: Discrete time Complex Exponentials

As with sinusoidal signals, have found some Complex Exponentials with **different frequencies** that are **identical**.



Ω
$2\pi \frac{1}{8}$
$2\pi \left[\frac{1}{8} + 1 \right]$
$2\pi \left[\frac{1}{8} + 2 \right]$
$2\pi \left[\frac{1}{8} + 3 \right]$
$2\pi \left[\frac{1}{8} + 4 \right]$
...

1: Discrete time Complex Exponentials

- Consider Two discrete time complex exponentials $x_1[n] = e^{-j\Omega_1 n}$ and $x_2[n] = e^{-j\Omega_2 n}$, where $\Omega_2 = \Omega_1 + 2\pi$. The angular frequency of $x_2[n]$ is higher than the angular frequency of $x_1[n]$, $\Omega_2 > \Omega_1$.
- However, $x_1[n]$ and $x_2[n]$ are the same signal:

$$\begin{aligned}x_2[n] &= e^{j\Omega_2 n} \\&= e^{j(\Omega_1 + 2\pi)n} \\&= e^{j\Omega_1 n} e^{j2\pi n} \\&= e^{j\Omega_1 n} \\&= x_1[n]\end{aligned}$$

- In discrete-time, all the possible complex exponentials that can be generated are within any interval of frequencies of size 2π , for instance $[-\pi; \pi]$.

1: Discrete time Complex Exponentials

We have seen that:

- In order for a complex exponential to be periodic, its angular frequency Ω must be such that $\Omega=2\pi k/N$, where N is the period (whenever k and N have no factors in common).
- The frequencies Ω_1 and $\Omega_2 = \Omega_1 + 2\pi$ produce the same signal, since they visit the same points in the complex plane.

We can conclude that **there only exist N different complex exponentials of period N** , namely:

$$0, \quad 2\pi \frac{1}{N}, \quad 2\pi \frac{2}{N}, \quad \dots, \quad 2\pi \frac{N-1}{N}$$

- For instance, $\Omega=2\pi(2N+2)/N$ produces the same signal as $\Omega=2\pi(2)/N$
- and $\Omega=2\pi(-2)/N$ produces the same signal as $\Omega=2\pi(N-2)/N$

1: SUMMARY

- CT complex exponentials
- Always periodic
- Different frequencies produce different signals
- There exist infinite complex exponentials with period T , namely those of frequencies

$$\frac{2\pi}{T}, 2\frac{2\pi}{T}, 3\frac{2\pi}{T}, \dots$$

- DT complex exponentials
- Only periodic for $\Omega = \frac{2\pi k}{N}$; k, N integers
- Frequencies within an interval of size 2π produce different signals
- There only exist N complex exponentials with period N , namely those of frequencies

$$\frac{2\pi}{N}, 2\frac{2\pi}{N}, 3\frac{2\pi}{N}, \dots, N\frac{2\pi}{N}$$

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3: Fourier series in Continuous Time

- A Fourier series is a representation of a periodic signal as a linear combination of harmonically related complex exponentials.
- By harmonically related we mean that their frequencies can be expressed as an integer multiple of the fundamental frequency.
- For instance, in continuous-time, a periodic signal $x_T(t)$ with period T can be expressed as:

$$x_T(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\frac{2\pi}{T}t}$$

where $\omega_0 = 2\pi/T$ is the fundamental frequency, $k\omega_0$ are its harmonics and a_k are its coefficients.

3: What is different in Discrete Time?

- Just the fact that there are only N different complex exponentials with period N !
- Hence, the Fourier series representation of a periodic discrete-time signal $x_N[n]$ with period N is:

$$x_N[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n} = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\frac{2\pi}{N}n}$$

where $\Omega_0 = 2\pi/N$ is the fundamental frequency, $k\Omega_0$ are its harmonics and a_k are its coefficients.

- This equation is, of course, a **synthesis equation**.

FOURIER SERIES: Determining the coefficients (1)

- How do we obtain the coefficients of the Fourier series of a discrete-time periodic signal $x_N[n]$?
- One approach would be to solve the following system of N equations and N unknowns (a_k):

$$x_N[0] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k$$

$$x_N[1] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0}$$

$$x_N[2] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 2}$$

...

$$x_N[N-1] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 (N-1)}$$

FOURIER SERIES: Determining the coefficients (1)

- In matrix form, the resulting system of linear equations is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_N[0] \\ x_N[1] \\ x_N[2] \\ \vdots \\ x_N[N-1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & e^{j\Omega_0} & e^{j2\Omega_0} & & e^{j(N-1)\Omega_0} \\ 1 & e^{j\Omega_0 2} & e^{j2\Omega_0 2} & & e^{j(N-1)\Omega_0 2} \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & e^{j\Omega_0(N-1)} & e^{j2\Omega_0(N-1)} & \dots & e^{j(N-1)\Omega_0(N-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

FOURIER SERIES: Determining the coefficients (2)

- Another option is using an analysis equation.
- Analysis equations use the fact that **harmonically related exponentials** are **orthogonal**, so that:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{jk_1\Omega_0 n} (e^{jk_2\Omega_0 n})^* &= \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{jk_1\Omega_0 n} e^{-jk_2\Omega_0 n} \\ &= \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{j(k_1-k_2)\Omega_0 n} \\ &= \begin{cases} N & \text{if } k_1 - k_2 = 0, \pm N, \pm 2N, \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

FOURIER SERIES: Determining the coefficients (2)

- So we know that:

$$x_N[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n},$$

$$\sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{jk_1\Omega_0 n} (e^{jk_2\Omega_0 n})^* = \begin{cases} N & \text{if } k_1 - k_2 = 0, \pm N, \pm 2N, \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Let us calculate:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} x_N[n] (e^{jm\Omega_0 n})^* &= \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} \left[\sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n} \right] e^{-jm\Omega_0 n} \\ &= a_m N \end{aligned}$$

- Hence: $a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} x_N[n] e^{-jk\Omega_0 n}$

3: SUMMARY

Continuous-time, $\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_{\langle T \rangle} x_T(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt$$

Analysis

$$x_T(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

Synthesis

Discrete-time, $\Omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{N}$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} x_N[n] e^{-jk\Omega_0 n}$$

$$x_N[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n}$$

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PARSEVAL'S RELATION

- The average power of a periodic signal $x_N[n]$ can be calculated both in the time domain and by using the coefficients of its Fourier series:

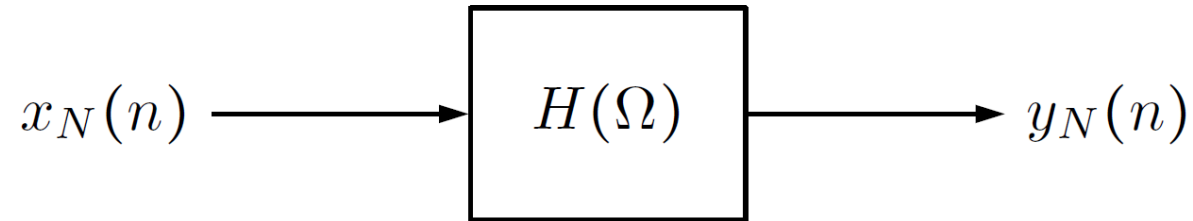
$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} |x[n]|^2 = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} |a_k|^2$$

- The coefficient a_k of the Fourier series of $x_N[n]$ tells us how much of the harmonic frequency $k\Omega_0$ there is in the signal.

LINEARITY AND TIME-SHIFTING

- Linearity: Consider two periodic signals $x_N[n]$ and $y_N[n]$ with period N and Fourier coefficients a_k and b_k , respectively. Then:
 - The signal $z_N[n] = Ax_N[n] + By_N[n]$ is periodic with period N
 - and its Fourier coefficients are $c_k = Aa_k + Bb_k$.
- Time-shifting: The signal $v_N[n] = x_N[n - n_0]$ is:
 - periodic with period N
 - and its Fourier coefficients are $v_k = a_k e^{-jk\Omega_0 n_0}$.

FOURIER SERIES AND LTI SYSTEMS



$$x_N[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n} \longrightarrow y_N[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} H(k\Omega_0) a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n}$$

Hence, the Fourier coefficients of $y_N[n]$ are $b_k = a_k H(k\Omega_0)$.
In words, they are a filtered version of the coefficients a_k .