

# Signals

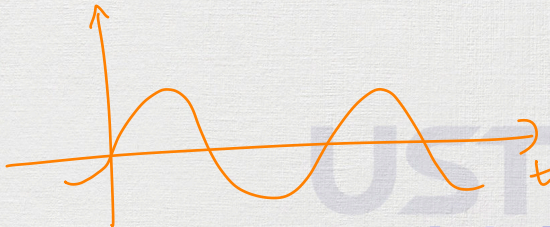
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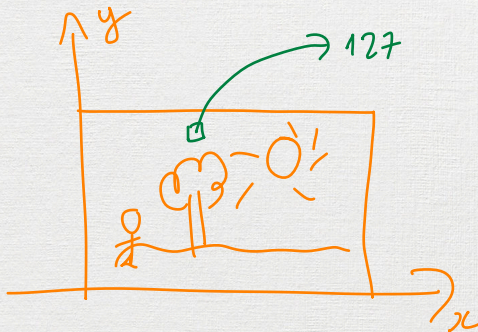
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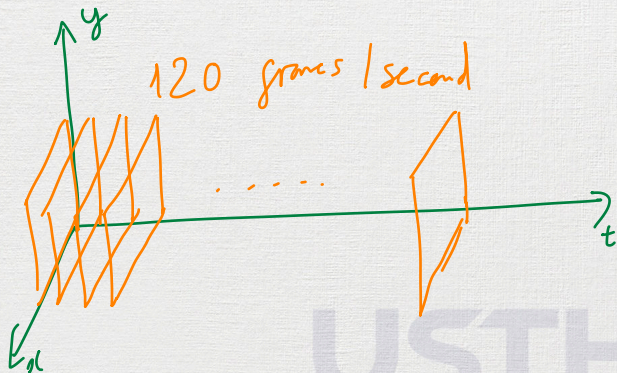
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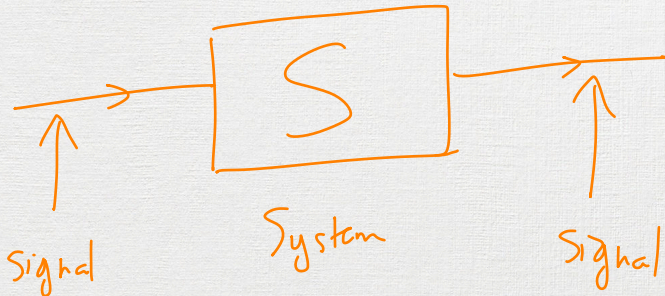
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- 1-dimensional: a speech signal
- 2-dimensional: a photo
- 3-dimensional: a video







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# Today Objectives

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At the end of this lesson, you should be able to

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- Apply signals' transformations: time shift, time reversal, scaling



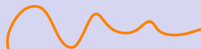
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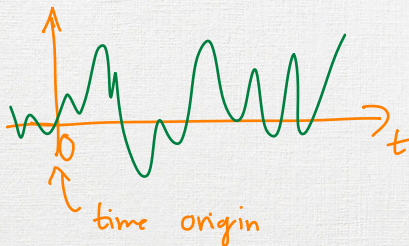
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- 1 Graph
- 2 Math Formula



$$x(t) = \sin(2t + 1) \quad t \in [-7, 170]$$



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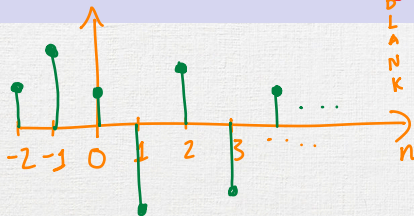
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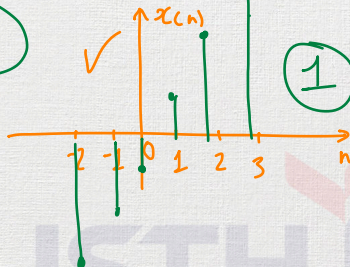
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- 1 Graph
- 2 Math Formula
- 3 List
- 4 Vector



$x[n] = 2n - 1$   
 $-2 \leq n \leq 3$   
 $x[-2] = -5$     $x[-1] = -3$   
 $x[0] = -1$     $\dots$

$[-5 \quad -3 \quad -1 \quad 1 \quad 3 \quad 5]$   
 (A red arrow points to the -1 in the vector.)



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- Continuous-time
- Analog
- Periodic
- Even & Odd
- Energy and Power Signals

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There are many ways in which signals can be classified:

- 1 Continuous-time and discrete-time signals
- 2 Analog and digital signals
- 3 Periodic and aperiodic signals
- 4 Even and odd signals
- 5 Energy and power signals



# Continuous-time vs Discrete-time Signals

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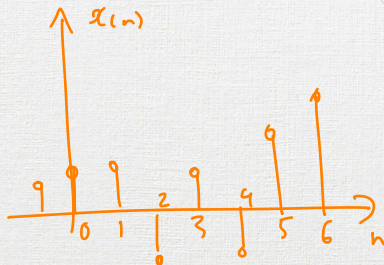
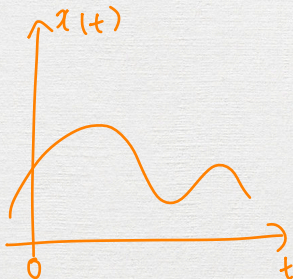
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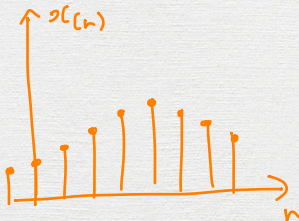
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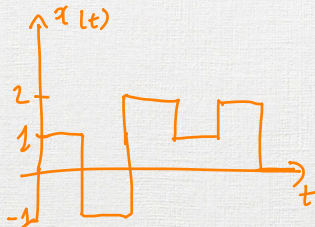
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## Continuous-valued vs Discrete-valued Signals



disc-time cont-valued



cont-time disc-valued

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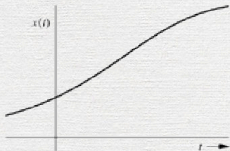
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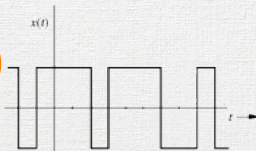
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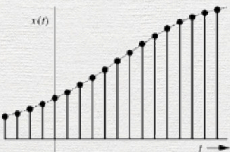


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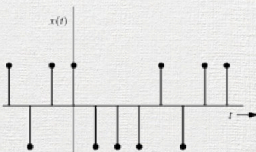


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cont-time



(c)



(d)

disc-time

cont-valued

disc-valued



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# Periodic vs Aperiodic Signals

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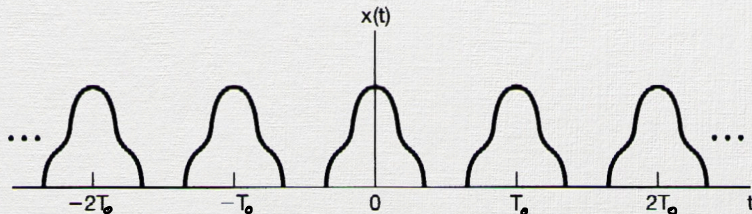
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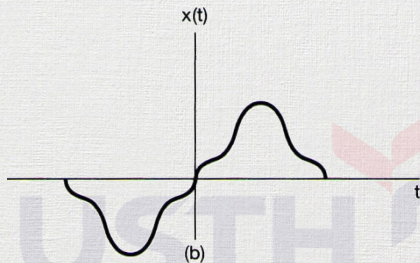
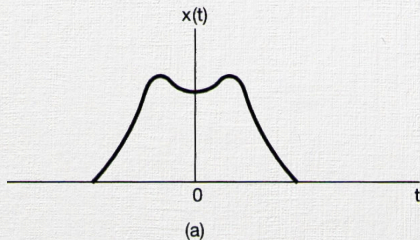
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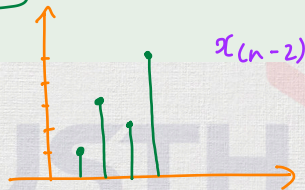
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■  ~~$x(n + 3)$~~   $y_2(n) = x(n + 3)$

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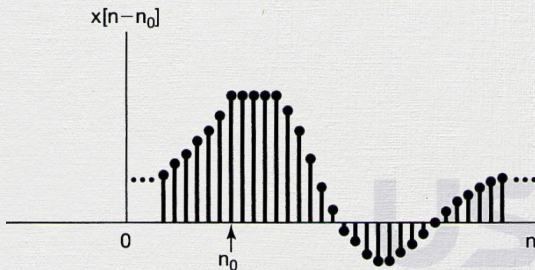
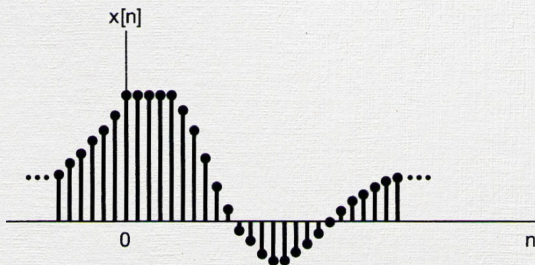
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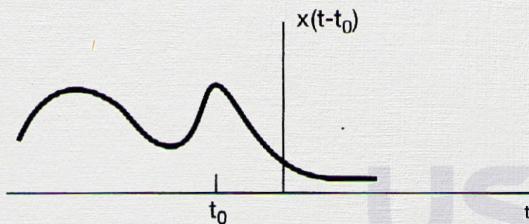
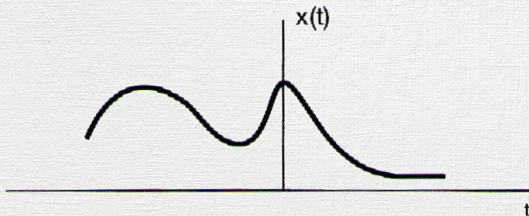
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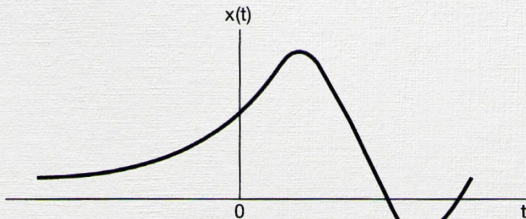
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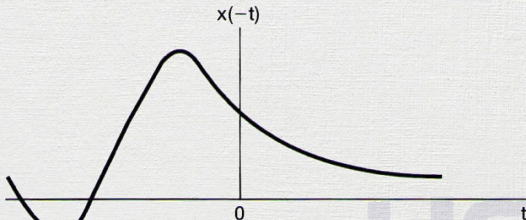
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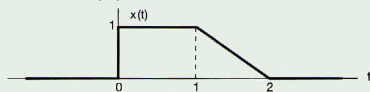
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## Examples

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Determine  $x(\frac{3}{2}t)$

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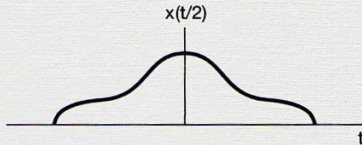
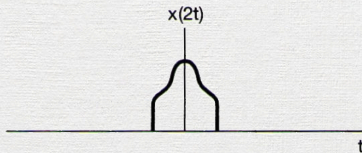
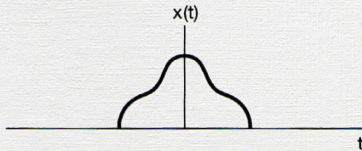
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1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.21, 1.22

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