

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- It is impossible to design an IIR transfer function with an exact linear-phase
- It is always possible to design an FIR transfer function with an exact linear-phase response
- We now develop the forms of the linear-phase FIR transfer function  $H(z)$  with real impulse response  $h[n]$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Let  $H(z) = \sum_{n=0}^N h[n]z^{-n}$
- If  $H(z)$  is to have a linear-phase, its frequency response must be of the form

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{j(c\omega + \beta)} \check{H}(\omega)$$

where  $c$  and  $\beta$  are constants, and  $\check{H}(\omega)$ , called the **amplitude response**, also called the **zero-phase response**, is a real function of  $\omega$

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- For a real impulse response, the magnitude response  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$  is an even function of  $\omega$ , i.e.,

$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = |H(e^{-j\omega})|$$

- Since  $|H(e^{j\omega})| = |\check{H}(\omega)|$ , the amplitude response is then either an even function or an odd function of  $\omega$ , i.e.

$$\check{H}(-\omega) = \pm \check{H}(\omega)$$

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- The frequency response satisfies the relation

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = H^*(e^{-j\omega})$$

or, equivalently, the relation

$$e^{j(c\omega+\beta)} \check{H}(\omega) = e^{-j(-c\omega+\beta)} \check{H}(-\omega)$$

- If  $\check{H}(\omega)$  is an **even** function  $\check{H}(-\omega) = \check{H}(\omega)$ , then the above relation leads to

$$e^{j\beta} = e^{-j\beta}$$

implying that either  $\beta = 0$  or  $\beta = \pi$

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- From

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{j(c\omega+\beta)} \check{H}(\omega)$$

we have

$$\check{H}(\omega) = e^{-j(c\omega+\beta)} H(e^{j\omega})$$

- Substituting the value of  $\beta$  in the above we get

$$\check{H}(\omega) = \pm e^{-jc\omega} H(e^{j\omega}) = \pm \sum_{n=0}^N h[n] e^{-j\omega(c+n)}$$

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- Replacing  $\omega$  with  $-\omega$  in the previous equation we get

$$\check{H}(-\omega) = \pm \sum_{\ell=0}^N h[\ell] e^{j\omega(c+\ell)}$$

- Making a change of variable  $\ell = N - n$ , we rewrite the above equation as

$$\check{H}(-\omega) = \pm \sum_{n=0}^N h[N - n] e^{j\omega(c+N-n)}$$

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- As  $\check{H}(\omega) = \check{H}(-\omega)$ , we have

$$h[n]e^{-j\omega(c+n)} = h[N-n]e^{j\omega(c+N-n)}$$

- The above leads to the condition

$$h[n] = h[N-n], \quad 0 \leq n \leq N$$

with  $c = -N/2$

- Thus, the FIR filter with an even amplitude response will have a linear phase if it has a symmetric impulse response

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- If  $\check{H}(\omega)$  is an odd function of  $\omega$ , then from

$$e^{j(c\omega+\beta)}\check{H}(\omega) = e^{-j(-c\omega+\beta)}\check{H}(-\omega)$$

we get  $e^{j\beta} = -e^{-j\beta}$  as  $\check{H}(-\omega) = -\check{H}(\omega)$

- The above is satisfied if  $\beta = \pi/2$  or  $\beta = -\pi/2$
- Then

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{j(c\omega+\beta)}\check{H}(\omega)$$

reduces to

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \pm je^{jc\omega}\check{H}(\omega)$$



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- The last equation can be rewritten as

$$\check{H}(\omega) = \pm j e^{-jc\omega} H(e^{j\omega}) = \pm j \sum_{n=0}^N h[n] e^{-j\omega(c+n)}$$

- As  $\check{H}(-\omega) = -\check{H}(\omega)$ , from the above we get

$$\check{H}(-\omega) = j \sum_{\ell=0}^N h[\ell] e^{j\omega(c+\ell)}$$

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- Making a change of variable  $\ell = N - n$  we rewrite the last equation as

$$\check{H}(-\omega) = j \sum_{\ell=0}^N h[\ell] e^{j\omega(c+\ell)}$$

- Equating the above with

$$\check{H}(\omega) = -j \sum_{n=0}^N h[n] e^{-j\omega(c+n)}$$

we arrive at the condition for linear phase as

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$$h[n] = -h[N - n], \quad 0 \leq n \leq N$$

with  $c = -N/2$

- Therefore, a FIR filter with an odd amplitude response will have linear-phase response if it has an antisymmetric impulse response

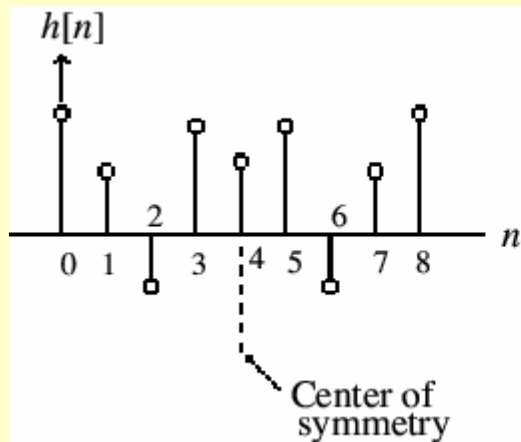
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- Since the length of the impulse response can be either even or odd, we can define four types of linear-phase FIR transfer functions
- For an antisymmetric FIR filter of odd length, i.e.,  $N$  even

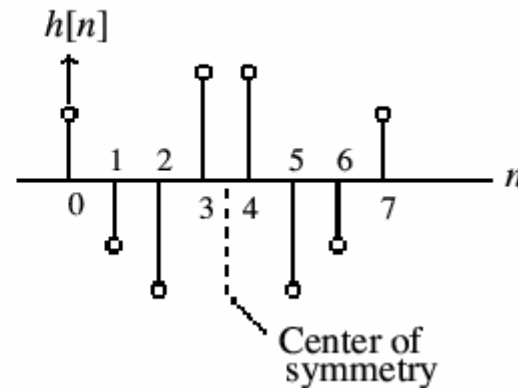
$$h[N/2] = 0$$

- We examine next the each of the 4 cases

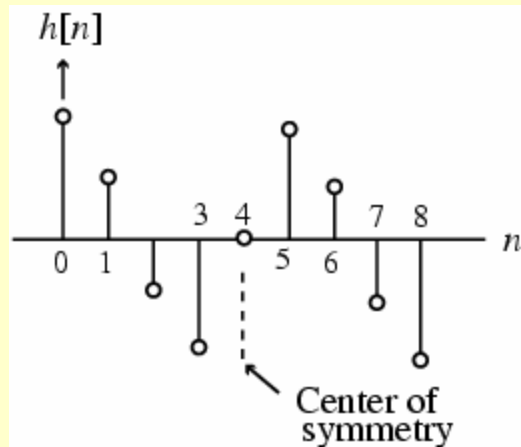
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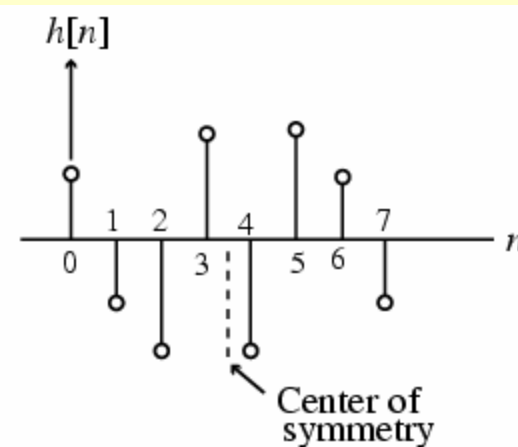
Type 1:  $N = 8$



Type 2:  $N = 7$



Type 3:  $N = 8$



Type 4:  $N = 7$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

## Type 1: Symmetric Impulse Response with Odd Length

- In this case, the degree  $N$  is even
- Assume  $N = 8$  for simplicity
- The transfer function  $H(z)$  is given by

$$H(z) = h[0] + h[1]z^{-1} + h[2]z^{-2} + h[3]z^{-3} \\ + h[4]z^{-4} + h[5]z^{-5} + h[6]z^{-6} + h[7]z^{-7} + h[8]z^{-8}$$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Because of symmetry, we have  $h[0] = h[8]$ ,  $h[1] = h[7]$ ,  $h[2] = h[6]$ , and  $h[3] = h[5]$

- Thus, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} H(z) &= h[0](1 + z^{-8}) + h[1](z^{-1} + z^{-7}) \\ &\quad + h[2](z^{-2} + z^{-6}) + h[3](z^{-3} + z^{-5}) + h[4]z^{-4} \\ &= z^{-4} \{ h[0](z^4 + z^{-4}) + h[1](z^3 + z^{-3}) \\ &\quad + h[2](z^2 + z^{-2}) + h[3](z + z^{-1}) + h[4] \} \end{aligned}$$

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- The corresponding frequency response is then given by

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-j4\omega} \{ 2h[0]\cos(4\omega) + 2h[1]\cos(3\omega) + 2h[2]\cos(2\omega) + 2h[3]\cos(\omega) + h[4] \}$$

- The quantity inside the braces is a real function of  $\omega$ , and can assume positive or negative values in the range  $0 \leq |\omega| \leq \pi$



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- The phase function here is given by

$$\theta(\omega) = -4\omega + \beta$$

where  $\beta$  is either 0 or  $\pi$ , and hence, it is a linear function of  $\omega$

- The group delay is given by

$$\tau(\omega) = -\frac{d\theta(\omega)}{d\omega} = 4$$

indicating a constant group delay of 4 samples

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- In the general case for Type 1 FIR filters, the frequency response is of the form

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-jN\omega/2} \check{H}(\omega)$$

where the **amplitude response**  $\check{H}(\omega)$ , also called the **zero-phase response**, is of the form

$$\check{H}(\omega) = h\left[\frac{N}{2}\right] + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{N/2} h\left[\frac{N}{2} - n\right] \cos(\omega n)$$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Example - Consider

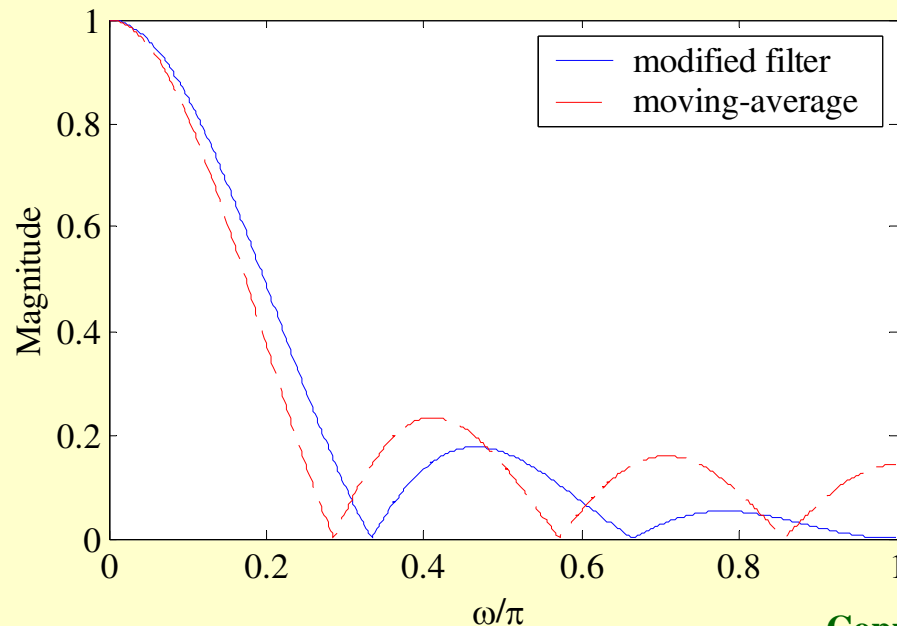
$$H_0(z) = \frac{1}{6} \left[ \frac{1}{2} + z^{-1} + z^{-2} + z^{-3} + z^{-4} + z^{-5} + \frac{1}{2} z^{-6} \right]$$

which is seen to be a slightly modified version of a length-7 moving-average FIR filter

- The above transfer function has a symmetric impulse response and therefore a linear phase response

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- A plot of the magnitude response of  $H_0(z)$  along with that of the 7-point moving-average filter is shown below



# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Note the improved magnitude response obtained by simply changing the first and the last impulse response coefficients of a moving-average (MA) filter

- It can be shown that we can express

$$H_0(z) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + z^{-1}) \cdot \frac{1}{6}(1 + z^{-1} + z^{-2} + z^{-3} + z^{-4} + z^{-5})$$

which is seen to be a cascade of a 2-point MA filter with a 6-point MA filter

- Thus,  $H_0(z)$  has a double zero at  $z = -1$ , i.e.,  
( $\omega = \pi$ )

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

## Type 2: Symmetric Impulse Response with Even Length

- In this case, the degree  $N$  is odd
- Assume  $N = 7$  for simplicity
- The transfer function is of the form

$$H(z) = h[0] + h[1]z^{-1} + h[2]z^{-2} + h[3]z^{-3} \\ + h[4]z^{-4} + h[5]z^{-5} + h[6]z^{-6} + h[7]z^{-7}$$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Making use of the symmetry of the impulse response coefficients, the transfer function can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} H(z) &= h[0](1 + z^{-7}) + h[1](z^{-1} + z^{-6}) \\ &\quad + h[2](z^{-2} + z^{-5}) + h[3](z^{-3} + z^{-4}) \\ &= z^{-7/2} \{ h[0](z^{7/2} + z^{-7/2}) + h[1](z^{5/2} + z^{-5/2}) \\ &\quad + h[2](z^{3/2} + z^{-3/2}) + h[3](z^{1/2} + z^{-1/2}) \} \end{aligned}$$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- The corresponding frequency response is given by

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-j7\omega/2} \left\{ 2h[0]\cos\left(\frac{7\omega}{2}\right) + 2h[1]\cos\left(\frac{5\omega}{2}\right) + 2h[2]\cos\left(\frac{3\omega}{2}\right) + 2h[3]\cos\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) \right\}$$

- As before, the quantity inside the braces is a real function of  $\omega$ , and can assume positive or negative values in the range  $0 \leq |\omega| \leq \pi$



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- Here the phase function is given by

$$\theta(\omega) = -\frac{7}{2}\omega + \beta$$

where again  $\beta$  is either 0 or  $\pi$

- As a result, the phase is also a linear function of  $\omega$
- The corresponding group delay is

$$\tau(\omega) = \frac{7}{2}$$

indicating a group delay of  $\frac{7}{2}$  samples

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- The expression for the frequency response in the general case for Type 2 FIR filters is of the form

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-jN\omega/2} \check{H}(\omega)$$

where the amplitude response is given by

$$\check{H}(\omega) = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{(N+1)/2} h\left[\frac{N+1}{2} - n\right] \cos\left(\omega\left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right)\right)$$

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## Type 3: Antisymmetric Impulse Response with Odd Length

- In this case, the degree  $N$  is even
- Assume  $N = 8$  for simplicity
- Applying the symmetry condition we get

$$H(z) = z^{-4} \{h[0](z^4 - z^{-4}) + h[1](z^3 - z^{-3}) + h[2](z^2 - z^{-2}) + h[3](z - z^{-1})\}$$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- The corresponding frequency response is given by

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-j4\omega} e^{j\pi/2} \{2h[0]\sin(4\omega) + 2h[1]\sin(3\omega) + 2h[2]\sin(2\omega) + 2h[3]\sin(\omega)\}$$

- It also exhibits a linear phase response given by

$$\theta(\omega) = -4\omega + \frac{\pi}{2} + \beta$$

where  $\beta$  is either 0 or  $\pi$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- The group delay here is

$$\tau(\omega) = 4$$

indicating a constant group delay of 4 samples

- In the general case

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = je^{-jN\omega/2} \check{H}(\omega)$$

where the amplitude response is of the form

$$\check{H}(\omega) = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{N/2} h[\frac{N}{2} - n] \sin(\omega n)$$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

## Type 4: Antisymmetric Impulse Response with Even Length

- In this case, the degree  $N$  is even
- Assume  $N = 7$  for simplicity
- Applying the symmetry condition we get

$$H(z) = z^{-7/2} \{h[0](z^{7/2} - z^{-7/2}) + h[1](z^{5/2} - z^{-5/2}) + h[2](z^{3/2} - z^{-3/2}) + h[3](z^{1/2} - z^{-1/2})\}$$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- The corresponding frequency response is given by

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-j7\omega/2} e^{j\pi/2} \left\{ 2h[0]\sin\left(\frac{7\omega}{2}\right) + 2h[1]\sin\left(\frac{5\omega}{2}\right) + 2h[2]\sin\left(\frac{3\omega}{2}\right) + 2h[3]\sin\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) \right\}$$

- It again exhibits a linear phase response given by

$$\theta(\omega) = -\frac{7}{2}\omega + \frac{\pi}{2} + \beta$$

where  $\beta$  is either 0 or  $\pi$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- The group delay is constant and is given by

$$\tau(\omega) = \frac{7}{2}$$

- In the general case we have

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = je^{-jN\omega/2} \check{H}(\omega)$$

where now the amplitude response is of the form

$$\check{H}(\omega) = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{(N+1)/2} h[\frac{N+1}{2} - n] \sin(\omega(n - \frac{1}{2}))$$



# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

## General Form of Frequency Response

- In each of the four types of linear-phase FIR filters, the frequency response is of the form

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-jN\omega/2} e^{j\beta} \check{H}(\omega)$$

- The amplitude response  $\check{H}(\omega)$  for each of the four types of linear-phase FIR filters can become negative over certain frequency ranges, typically in the stopband

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- **Example** – Consider the causal Type 1 FIR transfer function

$$H_1(z) = -1 + 2z^{-1} - 3z^{-2} + 6z^{-3} - 3z^{-4} + 2z^{-5} - z^{-6}$$

- Its amplitude and phase responses are given by

$$\check{H}_1(\omega) = 6 - 6\cos(\omega) + 4\cos(2\omega) - 2\cos(3\omega)$$

$$\theta_1(\omega) = -3\omega$$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Next, consider the causal Type 1 FIR transfer function

$$H_2(z) = 1 - 2z^{-1} + 3z^{-2} - 6z^{-3} + 3z^{-4} - 2z^{-5} + z^{-6}$$

- Its amplitude and phase responses are given by

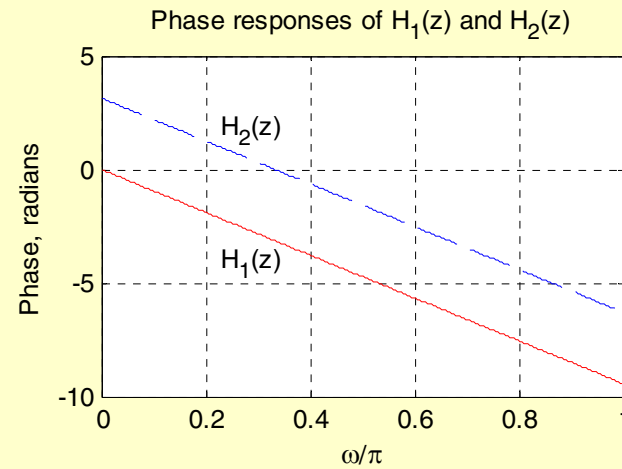
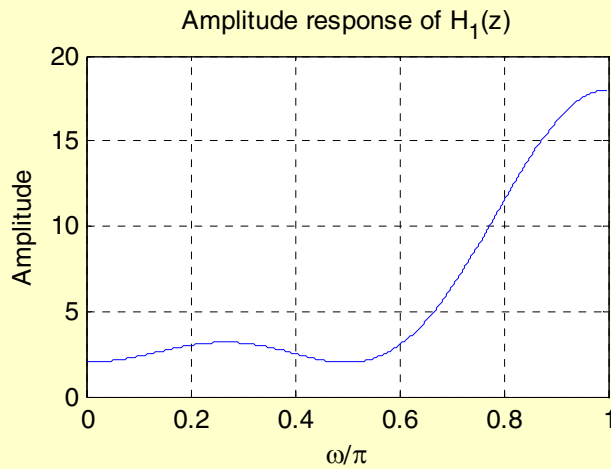
$$\check{H}_2(\omega) = -\check{H}_1(\omega)$$

$$\theta_2(\omega) = -3\omega + \pi$$

- Note:  $|H_1(e^{j\omega})| = |H_2(e^{j\omega})|$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Hence,  $H_1(z)$  and  $H_2(z)$  have identical magnitude responses but phase responses differing by  $\pi$  as shown below



# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- **Example** – Consider the causal Type 1 FIR transfer function

$$H_3(z) = 1 - 2z^{-1} + 3z^{-2} - 3z^{-4} + 2z^{-5} - z^{-6}$$

- Its amplitude and phase responses are given by

$$\check{H}_3(\omega) = -6\sin(\omega) + 4\sin(2\omega) + 2\sin(3\omega)$$

$$\theta_3(\omega) = -3\omega + \frac{\pi}{2}$$

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Next, consider the causal Type 1 FIR transfer function

$$H_4(z) = -1 + 2z^{-1} - 3z^{-2} + 3z^{-4} - 2z^{-5} + z^{-6}$$

- Its amplitude and phase responses are given by

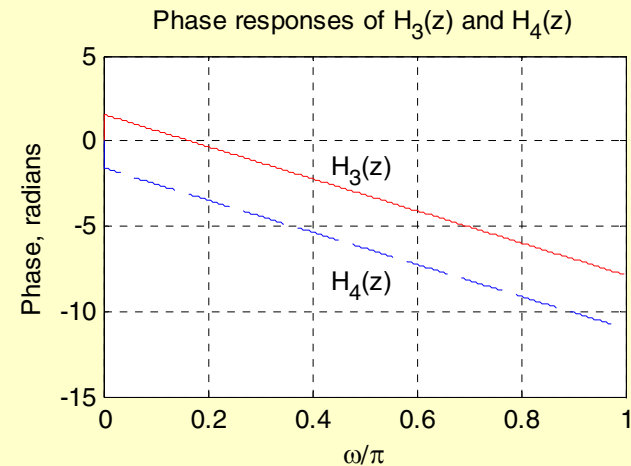
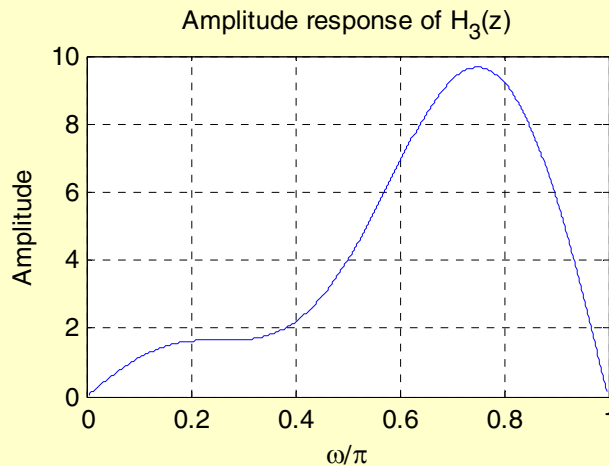
$$\check{H}_4(\omega) = -\check{H}_3(\omega)$$

$$\theta_4(\omega) = -3\omega - \frac{\pi}{2}$$

- Note:  $|H_3(e^{j\omega})| = |H_4(e^{j\omega})|$

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- Hence,  $H_3(z)$  and  $H_4(z)$  have identical magnitude responses but phase responses differing by  $\pi$  as shown below



# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- The magnitude and phase responses of the linear-phase FIR are given by

$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = |\check{H}(\omega)|$$

$$\theta(\omega) = \begin{cases} -\frac{N\omega}{2} + \beta, & \text{for } \check{H}(\omega) \geq 0 \\ -\frac{N\omega}{2} + \beta - \pi, & \text{for } \check{H}(\omega) < 0 \end{cases}$$



# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- The group delay in each case is

$$\tau(\omega) = \frac{N}{2}$$

- Note that, even though the group delay is constant, since in general  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$  is not a constant, the output waveform is not a replica of the input waveform

# Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- An FIR filter with a frequency response that is a real function of  $\omega$  is often called a **zero-phase filter**
- Such a filter must have a noncausal impulse response

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Consider first an FIR filter with a symmetric impulse response:  $h[n] = h[N - n]$
- Its transfer function can be written as

$$H(z) = \sum_{n=0}^N h[n]z^{-n} = \sum_{n=0}^N h[N - n]z^{-n}$$

- By making a change of variable  $m = N - n$ , we can write

$$\sum_{n=0}^N h[N - n]z^{-n} = \sum_{m=0}^N h[m]z^{-N+m} = z^{-N} \sum_{m=0}^N h[m]z^m$$

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- But,

$$\sum_{m=0}^N h[m]z^m = H(z^{-1})$$

- Hence for an FIR filter with a symmetric impulse response of length  $N+1$  we have

$$H(z) = z^{-N} H(z^{-1})$$

- A real-coefficient polynomial  $H(z)$  satisfying the above condition is called a **mirror-image polynomial (MIP)**

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- **Example** – A 5<sup>th</sup>-order mirror-image polynomial

$$H(z) = a_0 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2} + a_2 z^{-3} + a_1 z^{-4} + a_0 z^{-5}$$

- **Note:**  $z^{-5} H(z^{-1})$

$$= z^{-5} (a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + a_2 z^3 + a_1 z^4 + a_0 z^5)$$

$$= a_0 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2} + a_2 z^{-3} + a_1 z^{-4} + a_0 z^{-5}$$

$$= H(z)$$

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Now consider first an FIR filter with an antisymmetric impulse response:

$$h[n] = -h[N - n]$$

- Its transfer function can be written as

$$H(z) = \sum_{n=0}^N h[n]z^{-n} = - \sum_{n=0}^N h[N - n]z^{-n}$$

- By making a change of variable  $m = N - n$ , we get

$$- \sum_{n=0}^N h[N - n]z^{-n} = - \sum_{m=0}^N h[m]z^{-N+m} = -z^{-N} H(z^{-1})$$

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Hence, the transfer function  $H(z)$  of an FIR filter with an antisymmetric impulse response satisfies the condition

$$H(z) = -z^{-N} H(z^{-1})$$

- A real-coefficient polynomial  $H(z)$  satisfying the above condition is called a **antimirror-image polynomial (AIP)**

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- **Example** – A 5<sup>th</sup>-order antimirror-image polynomial

$$H(z) = a_0 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2} - a_2 z^{-3} - a_1 z^{-4} - a_0 z^{-5}$$

- **Note**  $-z^{-5}H(z^{-1})$

$$= -z^{-5}(a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 - a_2 z^3 - a_1 z^4 - a_0 z^5)$$

$$= a_0 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2} - a_2 z^{-3} - a_1 z^{-4} - a_0 z^{-5}$$

$$= H(z)$$



# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- It follows from the relation  $H(z) = \pm z^{-N} H(z^{-1})$  that if  $z = \xi_o$  is a zero of  $H(z)$ , so is  $z = 1/\xi_o$
- Moreover, for an FIR filter with a real impulse response, the zeros of  $H(z)$  occur in complex conjugate pairs
- Hence, a zero at  $z = \xi_o$  is associated with a zero at  $z = \xi_o^*$

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Thus, a complex zero that is not on the unit circle is associated with a set of 4 zeros given by  $z = re^{\pm j\phi}$ ,  $z = \frac{1}{r}e^{\pm j\phi}$
- For all 4 types of linear-phase FIR  $H(z)$  the factor contributing to complex zeros is of the form  $(1 + re^{j\theta}z^{-1})(1 + re^{-j\theta}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{r}e^{j\theta}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{r}e^{-j\theta}z^{-1})$  which is a 4<sup>th</sup> order mirror-image polynomial of the form

$$1 + az^{-1} + bz^{-2} + az^{-3} + z^{-4}$$

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- A zero on the unit circle appear as a pair

$$z = e^{\pm j\phi}$$

as its reciprocal is also its complex conjugate

- For all 4 types of linear-phase FIR  $H(z)$  the factor contributing to complex zeros on the unit circle is of the form  $(1 + e^{j\theta}z^{-1})(1 + e^{-j\theta}z^{-1})$  which is a 2<sup>nd</sup> order mirror-image polynomial of the form

$$1 + cz^{-1} + z^{-2}$$

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- A real zero inside the unit circle appears with its reciprocal outside the unit circle

$$z = \alpha, z = \frac{1}{\alpha}$$

- For all 4 types of linear-phase FIR  $H(z)$  the factor contributing to real zeros is of the form  $(1 + \alpha z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha} z^{-1})$

which is a 2<sup>nd</sup> order mirror-image polynomial of the form

$$1 + dz^{-1} + z^{-2}$$

# Zero Locations of Type 1 FIR Transfer Functions

- Type 1  $H(z)$  is a mirror-image polynomial of even degree and thus can have factors  $1 + az^{-1} + bz^{-2} + az^{-3} + z^{-4}$ ,  $1 + cz^{-1} + z^{-2}$
- Since a zero at  $z = \pm 1$  is associated with a polynomial of degree 1 of the form  $(1 \pm z^{-1})$  a Type 1 FIR filter can have either an even number or no zeros at  $z = \pm 1$

# Zero Locations of Type 2 FIR Transfer Functions

- Type 2  $H(z)$  is a mirror-image polynomial of odd degree and thus can have factors

$$1 + az^{-1} + bz^{-2} + az^{-3} + z^{-4}, 1 + cz^{-1} + z^{-2}$$

- A Type 2 FIR filter satisfies  $H(z) = z^{-N}H(z^{-1})$  with degree  $N$  odd
- Hence  $H(-1) = (-1)^{-N}H(-1) = -H(-1)$  implying  $H(-1) = 0$ , i.e.,  $H(z)$  must have a zero at  $z = -1$

# Zero Locations of Type 2 FIR Transfer Functions

- A zero at  $z = -1$  is associated with a factor of the form  $(z + 1)$  which is a mirror-image polynomial
- Since the degree  $N$  of a Type 2  $H(z)$  is odd,  $H(z)$  can have only odd powers of  $(z + 1)$
- Thus a Type 2 FIR filter can have an odd number of zeros at  $z = -1$

# Zero Locations of Type 2 FIR Transfer Functions

- A zero at  $z = 1$  is associated with a factor of the form  $(z - 1)$  which is an antimirror-image polynomial
- An odd power of  $(z - 1)$  is an antimirror-image polynomial, whereas, an even power is a mirror-image polynomial
- A Type 2 FIR filter can have either an even number or no zeros at  $z = 1$



# Zero Locations of Type 3 FIR Transfer Functions

- Type 3  $H(z)$  is an antimirror-image polynomial of even degree and can have factors of the form

$$1 + az^{-1} + bz^{-2} + az^{-3} + z^{-4}, 1 + cz^{-1} + z^{-2}$$

- Type 3 FIR filter satisfies  $H(z) = -z^{-N}H(z^{-1})$
- Thus  $H(1) = -(1)^{-N}H(1) = -H(1)$   
implying that  $H(z)$  must have a zero at  $z = 1$

# Zero Locations of Type 3 FIR Transfer Functions

- Also from  $H(z) = -z^{-N}H(z^{-1})$  we note

$$H(-1) = -(-1)^{-N}H(-1) = -H(-1)$$

as the degree  $N$  of  $H(z)$  is even

- Hence, a Type 3 FIR filter must also have a zero at  $z = -1$
- The factor contributing to zeros at  $z = \pm 1$  is of the form  $(z^2 - 1)$

# Zero Locations of Type 3 FIR Transfer Functions

- Now  $(1 + az^{-1} + bz^{-2} + az^{-3} + z^{-4})(z^2 - 1)$  is an antimirror-image polynomials of even degree
- On the other hand,  
$$(1 + az^{-1} + bz^{-2} + az^{-3} + z^{-4})(z^2 - 1)^2$$
is not an antimirror-image polynomial
- Generalizing, a Type 3 FIR filter can have only an odd number of zeros at  $z = \pm 1$

# Zero Locations of Type 4 FIR Transfer Functions

- Type 4  $H(z)$  is an antimirror-image polynomial of odd degree and can have factors of the form

$$1 + az^{-1} + bz^{-2} + az^{-3} + z^{-4}, 1 + cz^{-1} + z^{-2}$$

- Type 4 FIR filter satisfies  $H(z) = -z^{-N}H(z^{-1})$
- Thus  $H(1) = -(1)^{-N}H(1) = -H(1)$   
implying that  $H(z)$  must have a zero at  $z = 1$

# Zero Locations of Type 4 FIR Transfer Functions

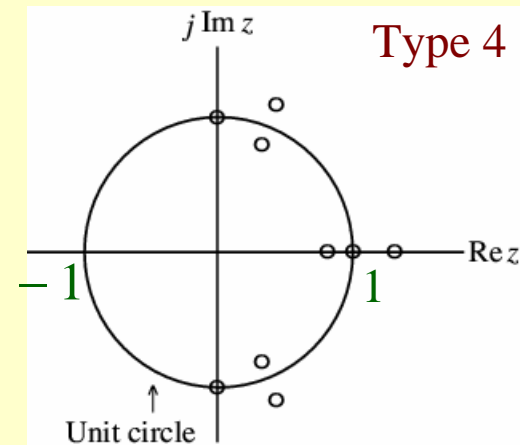
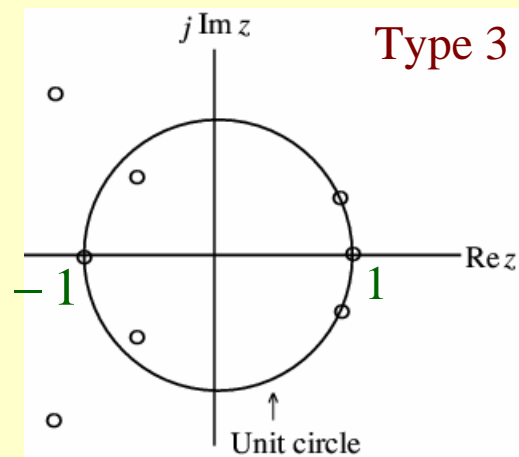
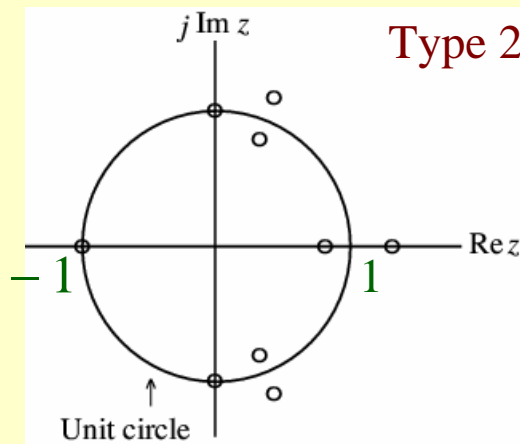
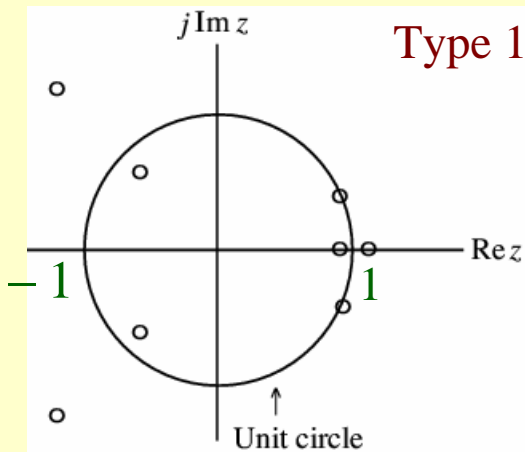
- The zero at  $z = 1$  is from a factor in  $H(z)$  of the form  $(z - 1)$
- An even power of  $(z - 1)$  is a mirror-image polynomial, and odd power is an antimirror-image polynomial
- Hence, a Type 4  $H(z)$  can have only an odd number of zeros at  $z = 1$

# Zero Locations of Type 4 FIR Transfer Functions

- The zero at  $z = -1$  is from a factor in  $H(z)$  of the form  $(z + 1)$
- Since the degree  $N$  of  $H(z)$  is even,  $H(z)$  can have only an even power of  $(z - 1)$
- Hence, a Type 4  $H(z)$  can have either an even number of zeros or no zeros at  $z = -1$

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Typical zero locations shown below



# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- Summarizing

(1) Type 1 FIR filter: Either an even number or no zeros at  $z = 1$  and  $z = -1$

(2) Type 2 FIR filter: Either an even number or no zeros at  $z = 1$ , and an odd number of zeros at  $z = -1$

(3) Type 3 FIR filter: An odd number of zeros at  $z = 1$  and  $z = -1$



# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

(4) Type 4 FIR filter: An odd number of zeros at  $z = 1$ , and either an even number or no zeros at  $z = -1$

- The presence of zeros at  $z = \pm 1$  leads to the following limitations on the use of these linear-phase transfer functions for designing frequency-selective filters

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- A Type 2 FIR filter cannot be used to design a highpass filter since it always has a zero  $z = -1$
- A Type 3 FIR filter has zeros at both  $z = 1$  and  $z = -1$ , and hence cannot be used to design either a lowpass or a highpass or a bandstop filter

# Zero Locations of Linear-Phase FIR Transfer Functions

- A Type 4 FIR filter is not appropriate to design lowpass and bandstop filters due to the presence of a zero at  $z = 1$
- Type 1 FIR filter has no such restrictions and can be used to design almost any type of filter