

EEE336 Signal Processing and Digital Filtering

Lecture 10 Fast Fourier Transform

10_1 Why do we introduce FFT?

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Computational complexity

- Q: How many (complex) multiplications and additions are needed to compute DFT?

$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] W_N^{kn}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

- for each “ k ”, we need N complex multiplications, and $N-1$ complex additions, where W_N^{kn} **does not depend on $x[n]$, and hence can be precomputed and saved in a table;**
- So for N values of “ k ”, we need N^2 complex multiplications and $N(N-1)$ complex additions;
 - The computational complexity grows with the square of the signal size.
 - This computational complexity is referred to as $O(N^2)$, also called, order of N^2 .

Properties of the Twiddle factor

- Symmetry: $(W_N^{kn})^* = W_N^{-kn}$
- Periodicity: $W_N^{kn} = W_N^{k(n+N)} = W_N^{(k+N)n}$
- Reduction: $W_N^{kn} = W_{mN}^{mkn} = W_{N/m}^{kn/m}$
- Other properties:

$$W_N^{k(N-n)} = W_N^{(N-k)n}$$

$$W_N^{N/2} = -1$$

$$W_N^{kn+N/2} = -W_N^{kn}$$



10_1 Wrap up

- Be able to evaluate the computational complexity!
- Be able to derive and use the properties of twiddle factors.

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10_2 Decimation in Time: Radix-2

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Decimation in time: radix-2

- Assume that the signal is of length $N = 2^p$, a power of two. If it is not, zero-pad the signal with enough number of zeros to ensure power-of-two length.
- N-point DFT can be computed as two $N/2$ point DFTs, both of which can then be computed as two $N/4$ point DFTs
 - Therefore an N-point DFT can be computed as four $N/4$ point DFTs;
 - Similarly, an $N/4$ point DFT can be computed as two $N/8$ point DFTs;
 - The entire N-point DFT can then be computed as eight $N/8$ point DFTs;
 - Continuing in this fashion, an N-point DFT can be computed as $N/2$ 2-point DFTs;

DIT: Stage 1

- Stage 1: decimate the time-domain signal $x[n]$ into two halves:
 - Even indexed samples: $x_0[2r]$
 - Odd indexed samples: $x_1[2r + 1]$

$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j(2\pi/N)kn} = \sum_{n \text{ even}}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j(2\pi/N)kn} + \sum_{n \text{ odd}}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j(2\pi/N)kn}$$

- Substitute variables $n = 2r$ for n even and $n = 2r + 1$ for odd

$$\begin{aligned} X[k] &= \sum_{r=0}^{N/2-1} x[2r] W_N^{2rk} + \sum_{r=0}^{N/2-1} x[2r+1] W_N^{(2r+1)k} \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^{N/2-1} x_0[r] W_{N/2}^{rk} + W_N^k \sum_{r=0}^{N/2-1} x_1[r] W_{N/2}^{rk} \\ &= X_0[k] + W_N^k X_1[k], \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N/2-1 \end{aligned}$$

- $X_0[k]$ and $X_1[k]$ are the $N/2$ -point DFT's of each subsequence;
- $X[k]$ calculated here is only the first half of it, when $k = 0, 1, \dots, N/2-1$, how to get the second half of $X[k]$?



DIT: Stage 1

- For the second half of $X[k]$ with $k = 0, 1, \dots, N/2-1$:

$$X_0 \left[\frac{N}{2} + k \right] = \sum_{r=0}^{N/2-1} x_0[r] W_{N/2}^{(N/2+k)r} = \sum_{r=0}^{N/2-1} x_0[r] W_{N/2}^{kr} = X_0[k]$$

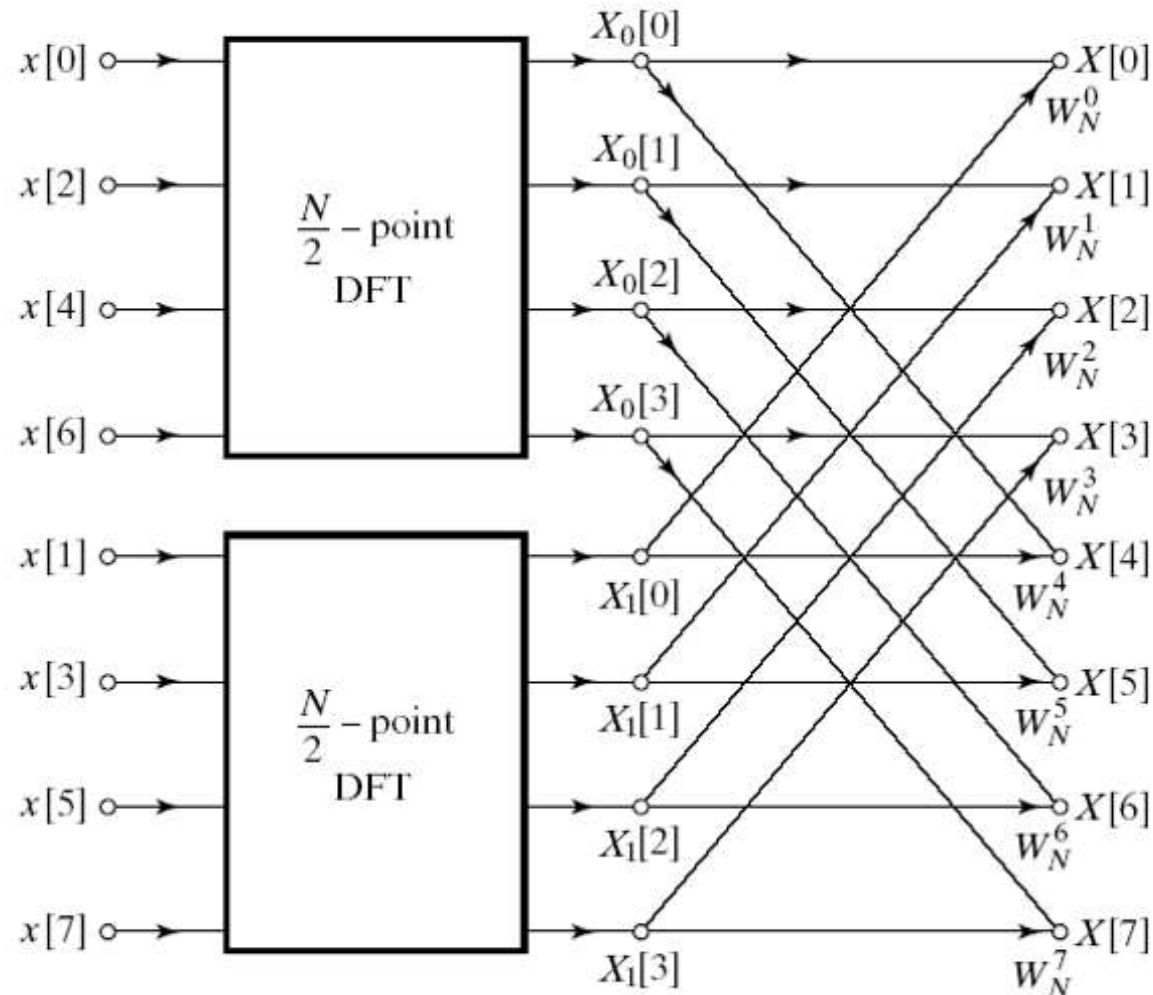
$$X_1 \left[\frac{N}{2} + k \right] = X_1[k]$$

- So:

$$\begin{aligned} X \left[\frac{N}{2} + k \right] &= X_0 \left[\frac{N}{2} + k \right] + W_N^{N/2+k} X_1 \left[\frac{N}{2} + k \right] \\ &= X_0[k] + W_N^{k+N/2} X_1[k] \\ &= X_0[k] - W_N^k X_1[k] \end{aligned}$$

DIT: Stage 1

- 8-point DFT example using decimation-in-time
- Two $N/2$ -point DFTs
 - $2(N/2)^2$ complex multiplications
 - $2(N/2)^2$ complex additions
- Combining the DFT outputs
 - N complex multiplications
 - N complex additions
- Total complexity
 - $N^2/2 + N$ complex multiplications
 - $N^2/2 + N$ complex additions
 - More efficient than direct DFT
- No the end!



DIT: Stage 2

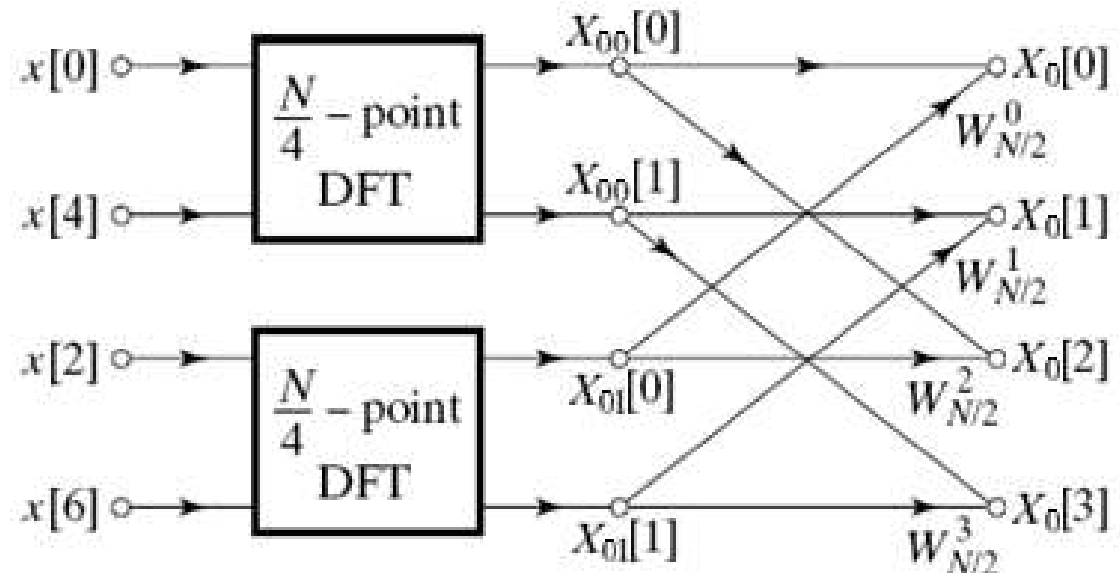
- Repeat same process

- Divide N/2-point DFTs into two N/4-point DFTs

$$X_0[k] = X_{00}[\langle k \rangle_{N/4}] + W_{N/2}^k X_{01}[\langle k \rangle_{N/4}], \quad 0 \leq k \leq \frac{N}{4} - 1$$

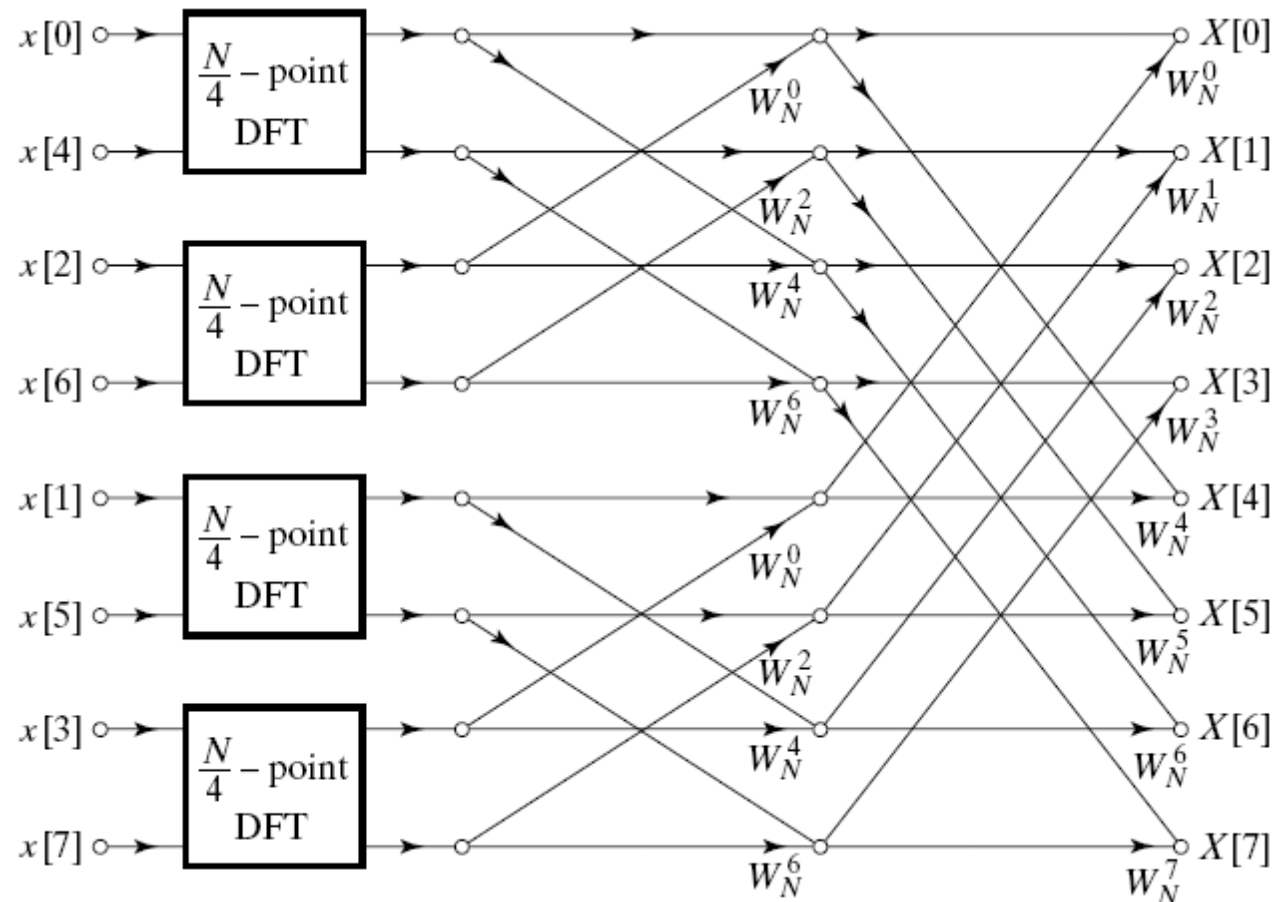
$$X_0[k] = X_{00}[\langle k \rangle_{N/4}] + W_{N/2}^{k+N/2} X_{01}[\langle k \rangle_{N/4}], \quad \frac{N}{4} \leq k \leq \frac{N}{2} - 1$$

- Combine outputs



DIT cont.

- After two stages of decimation:

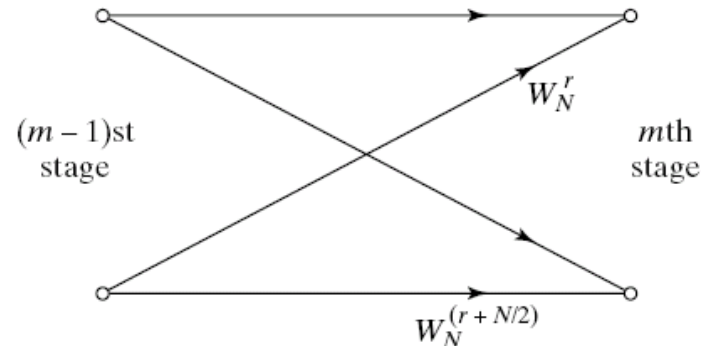


- Repeat until we're left with two-point DFT's



Butterfly

- Flow graph constitutes of butterflies



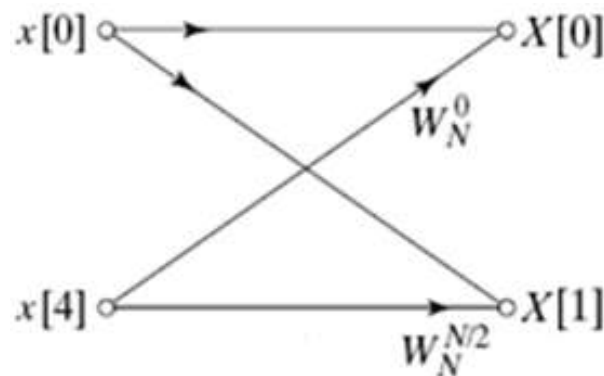
Two complex multiplication
Two complex addition

- How many operations do we need for 2-point DFT?

$$X[0] = x[0] + W_N^0 x[1]$$

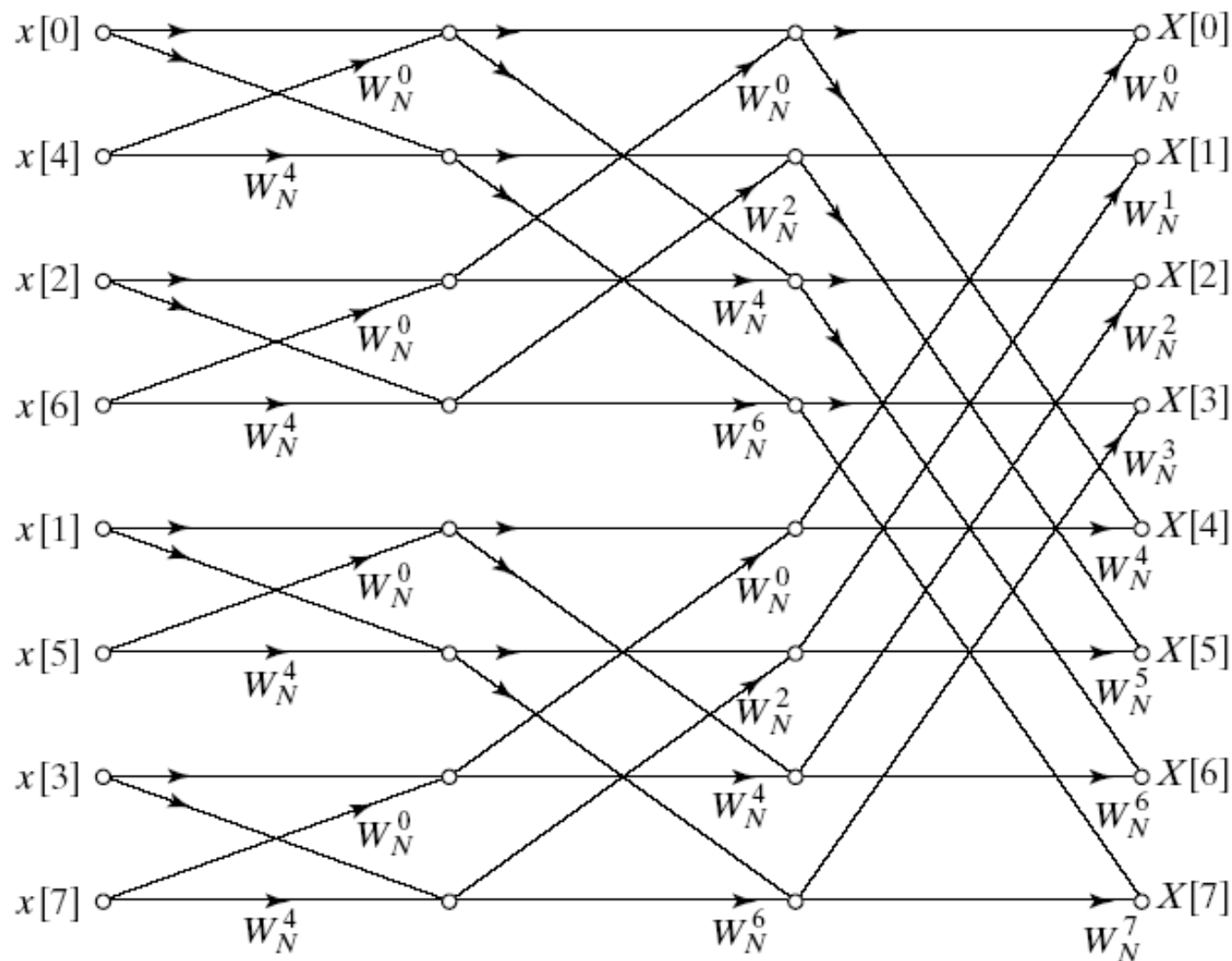
$$X[1] = x[0] + W_N^4 x[1] = x[0] - x[1]$$

- The butterfly:



No complex multiplication
Two complex addition

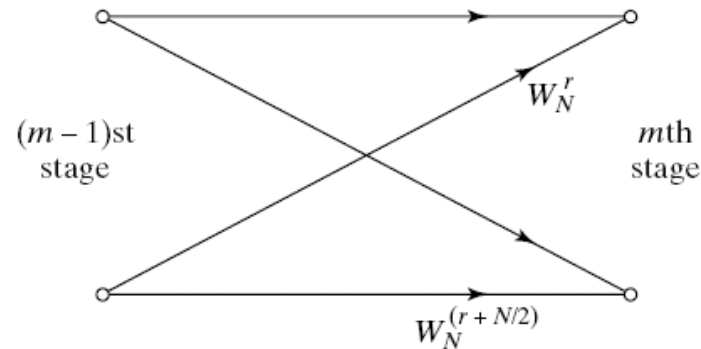
Final flow-graph of DIT-2



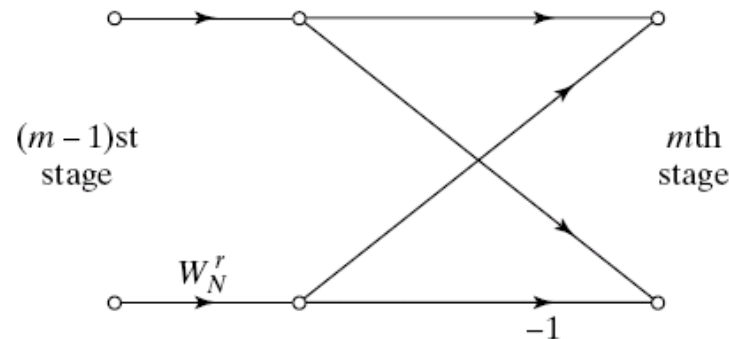
- Number of stages:
 $p = \log_2 N$
- Number of butterflies per stage:
 $N/2$
- Two computational complexity:
 - $N(p-1) = N(\log_2 N - 1)$ complex multiplications;
 - $Np = N \log_2 N$ complex additions.

Simplify the butterfly process

- Original butterfly:



- We can implement each butterfly with one multiplication



- Final complexity for decimation-in-time FFT
 - $(N/2)(\log_2 N - 1)$ complex multiplications and $N \log_2 N$ additions

Comparison of computational complexity

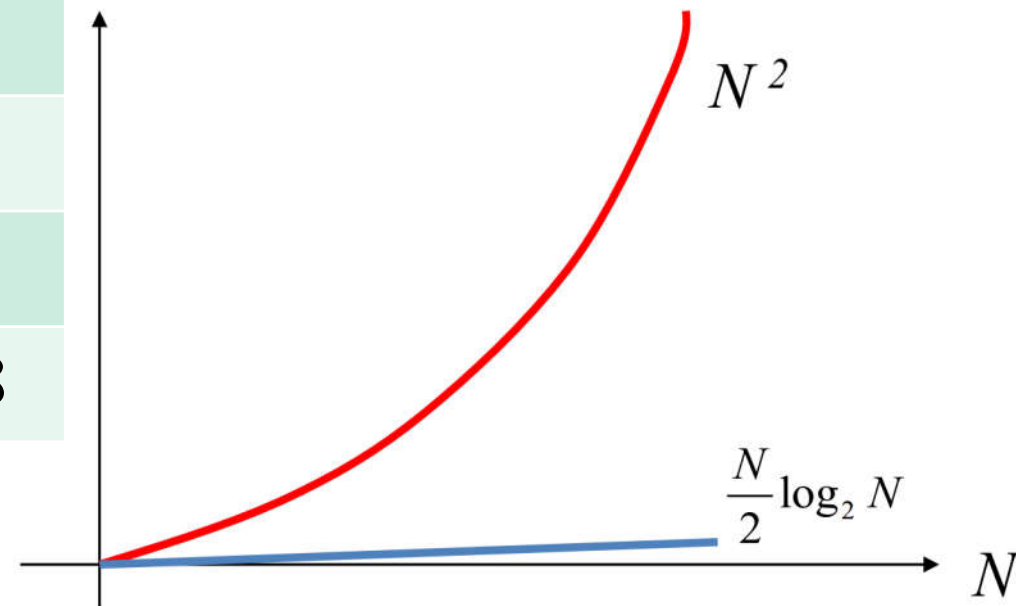
| Length (N) | DFT | | FFT | |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | No. of * | No. of + | No. of * | No. of + |
| 4 | 16 | 12 | 2 | 8 |
| 8 | 64 | 56 | 8 | 24 |
| 16 | 256 | 240 | 24 | 64 |
| 32 | 1024 | 992 | 64 | 160 |
| 64 | 4096 | 4032 | 160 | 384 |
| 128 | 16384 | 16256 | 384 | 896 |
| 256 | 65536 | 65280 | 896 | 2048 |

For DFT

- No. of * is N^2
- No. of + is $N(N - 1)$

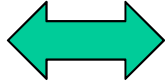
For FFT

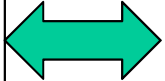
- No. of * is $\frac{N}{2}(\log_2 N - 1)$
- No. of + is $N \log_2 N$



Bit-reversal

- Note the arrangement of the input indices - Bit reversed indexing

| $x[n]$ | | $X[k]$ |
|--------|--|--------|
| $x[0]$ |  | $X[0]$ |
| $x[4]$ | | $X[1]$ |
| $x[2]$ | | $X[2]$ |
| $x[6]$ | | $X[3]$ |
| $x[1]$ | | $X[4]$ |
| $x[5]$ | | $X[5]$ |
| $x[3]$ | | $X[6]$ |
| $x[7]$ | | $X[7]$ |

| $x[n_2]$ | | $X[k_2]$ |
|----------|--|----------|
| $x[000]$ |  | $X[000]$ |
| $x[100]$ | | $X[001]$ |
| $x[010]$ | | $X[010]$ |
| $x[110]$ | | $X[011]$ |
| $x[001]$ | | $X[100]$ |
| $x[101]$ | | $X[101]$ |
| $x[011]$ | | $X[110]$ |
| $x[111]$ | | $X[111]$ |



10_2 Wrap up

- Understand how the FFT is performed
- Be able to draw the flow graph of FFT-DIT-2
- Be able to calculate any value in the graph
- Be able to calculate the computational complexity of different length of N
- Be able to arrange the input $x[n]$ in correct order according to bit-reversal scheme

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10_3 Applications of FFT

(Stream data processing)

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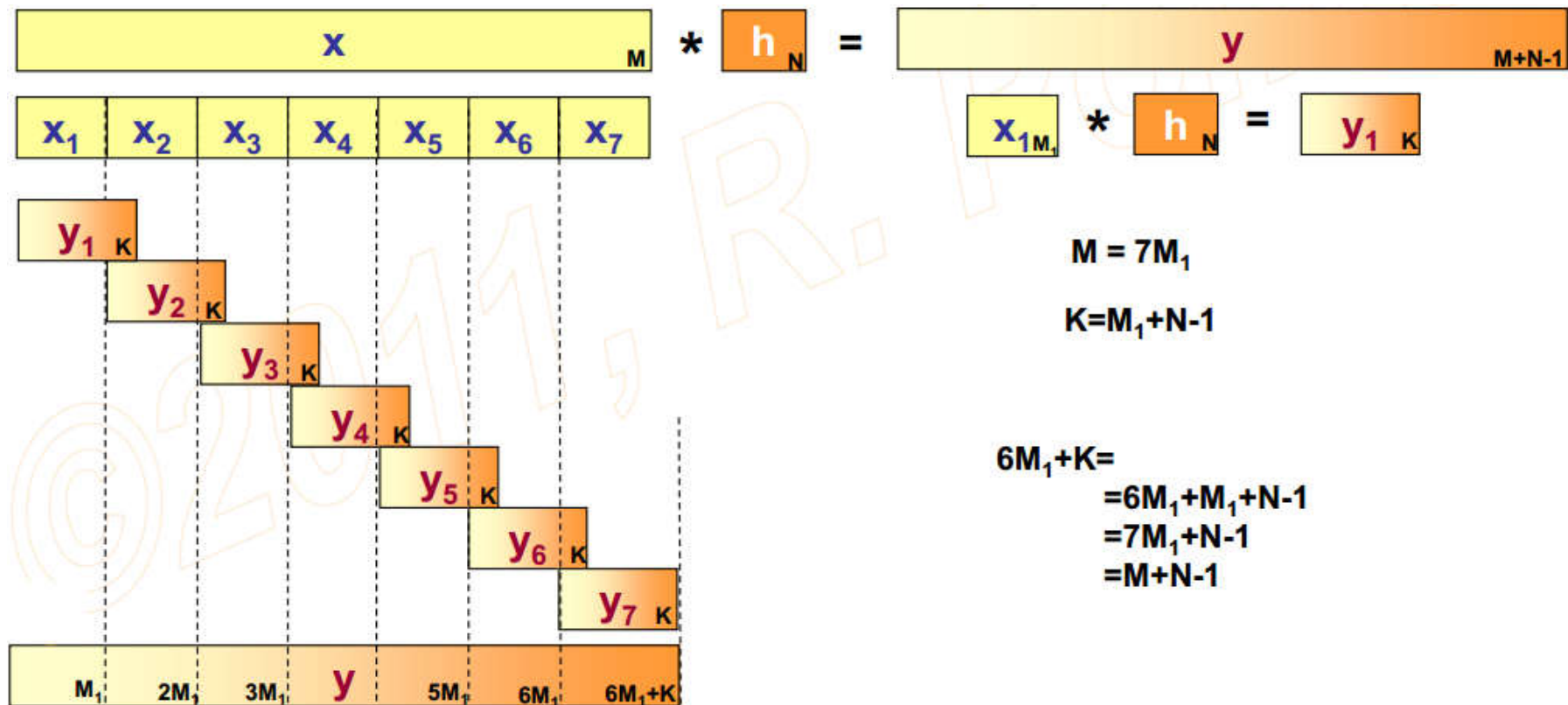
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Filtering Streaming Data

- In most real-world applications, the filter length is actually rather small (typically, $N < 100$); however, the input signal is obtained as a streaming data, and therefore can be very long.
- To calculate the output of the filter, we can:
 - a) Wait until we receive all the data, and then do a full linear convolution of length N filter and length M input $x[n]$, where $M \gg \gg N \rightarrow y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$
 - b) We can use the DFT based method $\rightarrow y[n] = \text{IDFT}(X[k] \cdot H[k])$, but we still need to wait for the entire data to arrive to calculate $X[k]$
- In either case, the calculation is very long, expensive, and need to wait for the entire data to arrive.
- Can we just process the data in batches, say 1000 samples at a time, and then concatenate the results...?

Overlap Add

- The border effect! Processing individual segments separately and then combining them is possible, however, the border distortion needs to be addressed
 - Overlap add is a method that allows us to compute the individual segments and then concatenate them in such a way that the concatenated signal is the same as the one that would be obtained if we processed the entire data at once.



Overlap Add

- We first segment $x[n]$, assumed to be a causal sequence here without any loss of generality, into a set of continuous finite-length subsequences $x_m[n]$ of length M_1 each:

$$x[n] = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} x_m[n - mM_1], \quad \text{where } x_m[n] = \begin{cases} x[n + mM_1], & 0 \leq n \leq M_1 - 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Thus we can write

$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n] = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} y_m[n - mM_1], \quad \text{where } y_m[n] = h[n] * x_m[n]$$

- Since $h[n]$ is of length N and $x_m[n]$ is of length M_1 , the linear convolution $h[n] * x_m[n]$ is of length $N + M_1 - 1$;
- As a result, the desired linear convolution $y[n]$ has been broken up into a sum of infinite number of short-length linear convolutions y_m of length $N + M_1 - 1$;
- Each of these short convolutions can be implemented using the zero-padding based DFT method, which are computed on the basis of $N + M_1 - 1$ points.

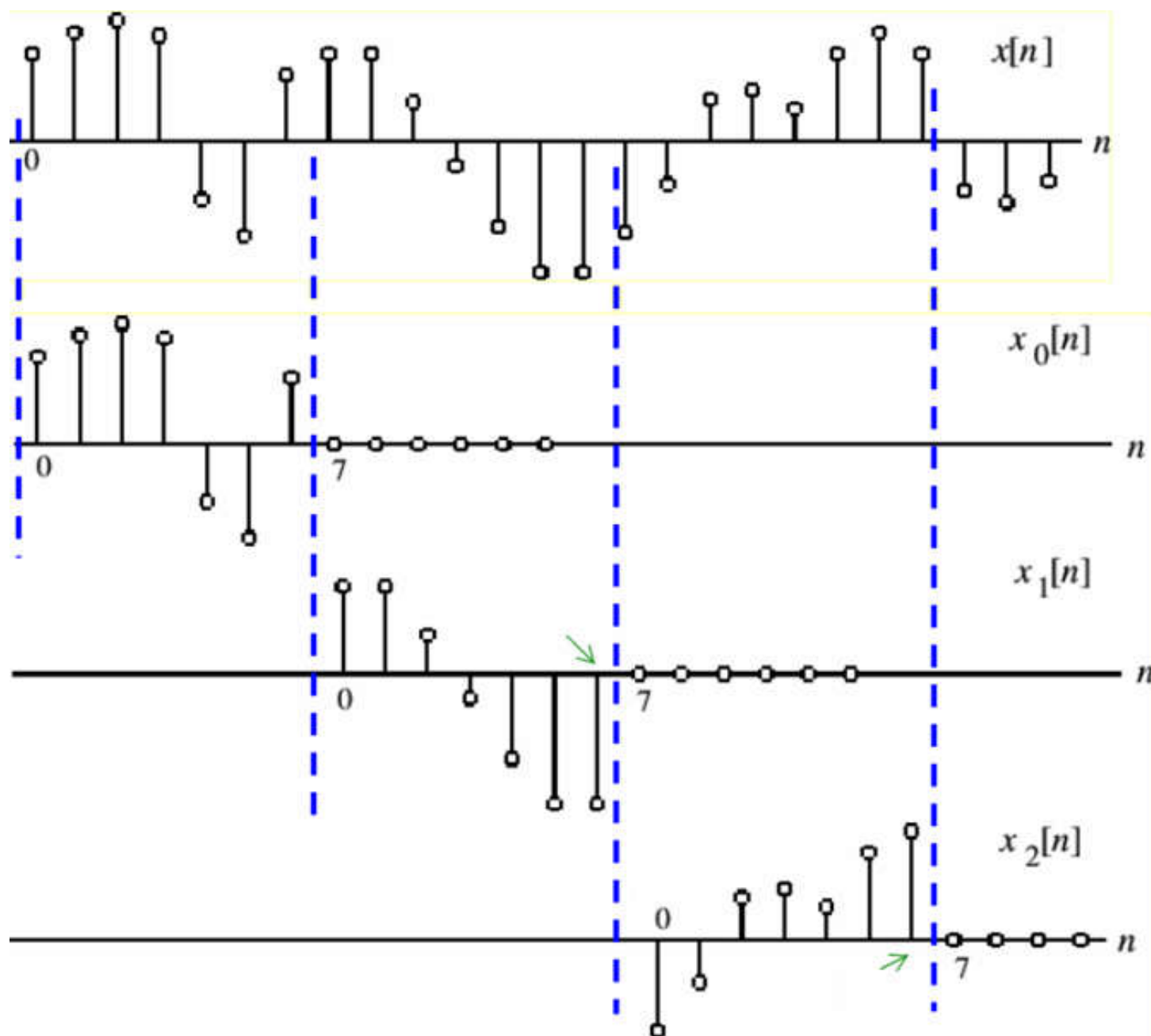
Overlap Add

- Notice
 - The first convolution y_1 is of length $N + M_1 - 1$ and is defined on $0 \leq n \leq N + M_1 - 2$;
 - The second convolution y_2 is also of length $N + M_1 - 1$, but is defined on $M_1 \leq n \leq 2M_1 + N - 2$;
 - There is an overlap of $N-1$ samples between these two short linear convolutions.
- In general, there will be an overlap of $N-1$ samples between all the adjacent results of the short convolutions.

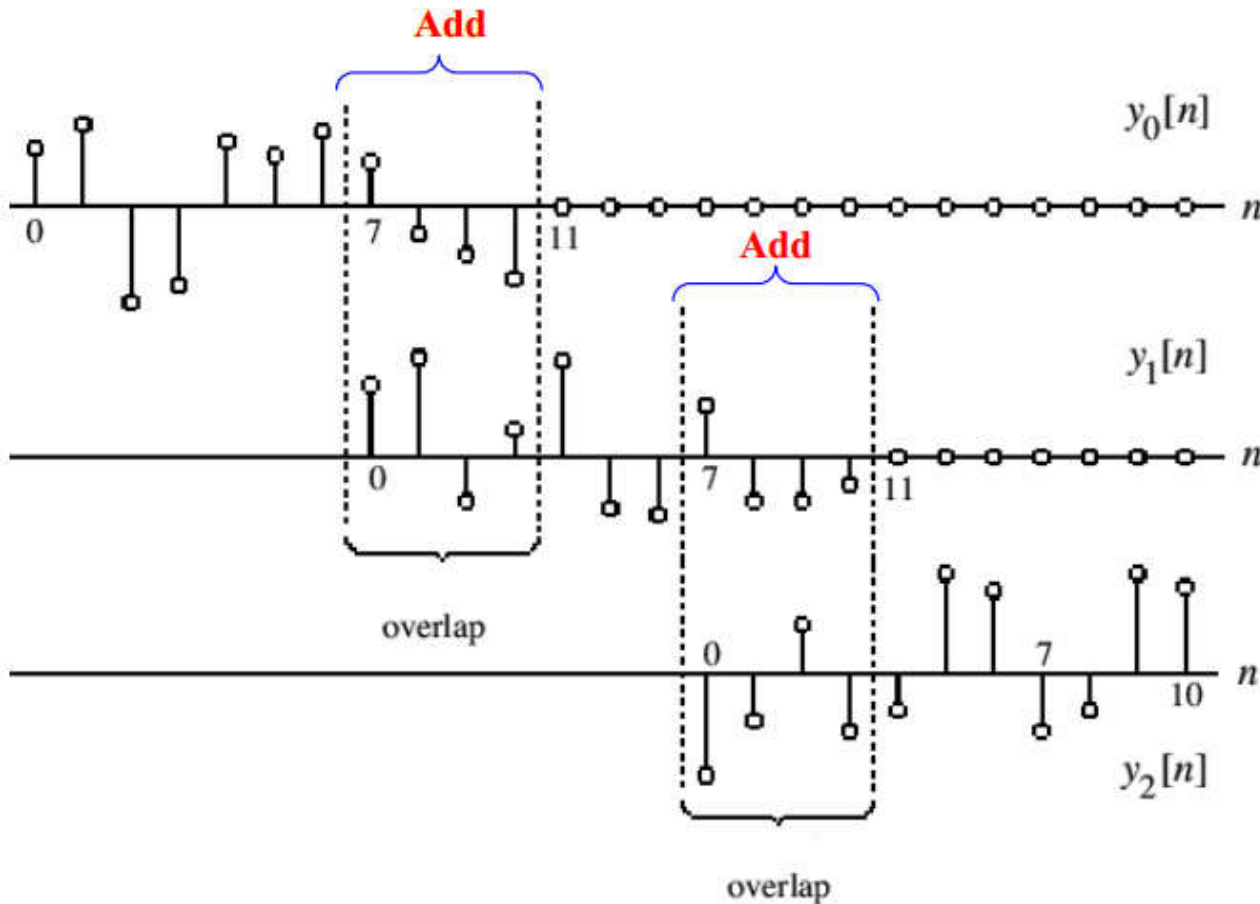
Overlap Add

$$N = 5$$

$$M_1 = 7$$



Overlap Add



- Therefore, $y[n]$ should be given by:

$$y[n] = y_0[n], 0 \leq n \leq 6$$

$$y[n] = y_0[n] + y_1[n - 7], 7 \leq n \leq 10$$

$$y[n] = y_1[n - 7], 11 \leq n \leq 13$$

$$y[n] = y_1[n - 7] + y_2[n - 14], 14 \leq n \leq 17$$



10_3 Wrap up

- Real-time signal processing:
 - Long (or infinite) input data $x[n]$;
 - Short system impulse $h[n]$;
- Output $y[n]$ can be obtained by segment processing:
 - Overlap-add
 - How to perform
 - Evaluate the computational complexity

Chapter 10 Summary

- Computational complexity
 - Convolution, DFT, FFT
- FFT: DIT-2
 - Twiddle factor properties
 - DIT process, flow graph, gain on each path, etc.
 - Bit reversal
- Application: streaming data
 - Overlap add method