

# Stochastic Signal Processing

## Lesson 12: Filters II

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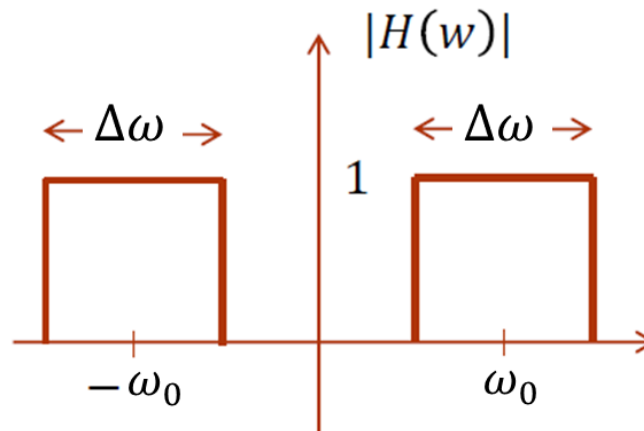
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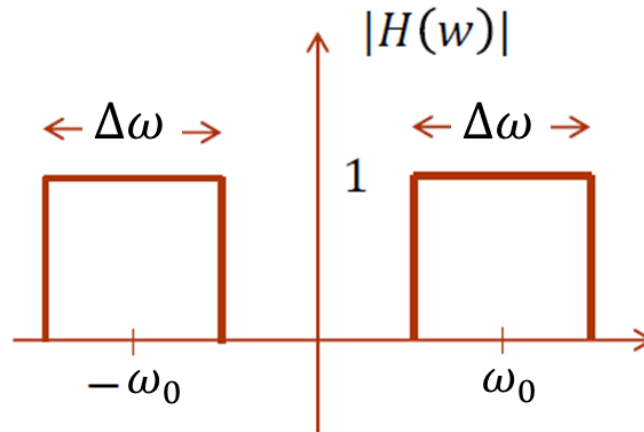
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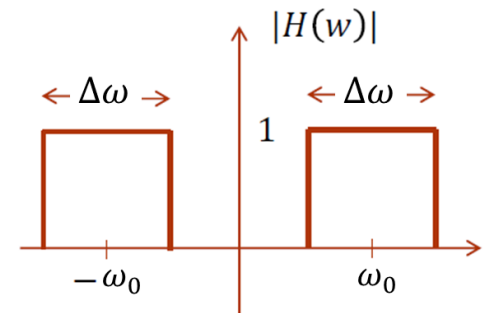
**Solution:**

$$\sigma_Y^2 = R_Y(0) = \frac{\frac{\Delta\omega}{2}N_0}{\pi} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\Delta\omega}{2} \cdot 0\right) \cos(\omega_0 \cdot 0) = \frac{N_0\Delta\omega}{2\pi}$$

And  $E[Y(t)] = 0$

Therefore, the output  $Y(t)$  is a **Gaussian process** with mean 0, and its **1-D variance is  $\frac{N_0\Delta\omega}{2\pi}$** , thus

$$f_Y(y, t) = f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_y^2}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma_y^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_0\Delta\omega}} e^{-\frac{\pi y^2}{N_0\Delta\omega}}$$



## Outline

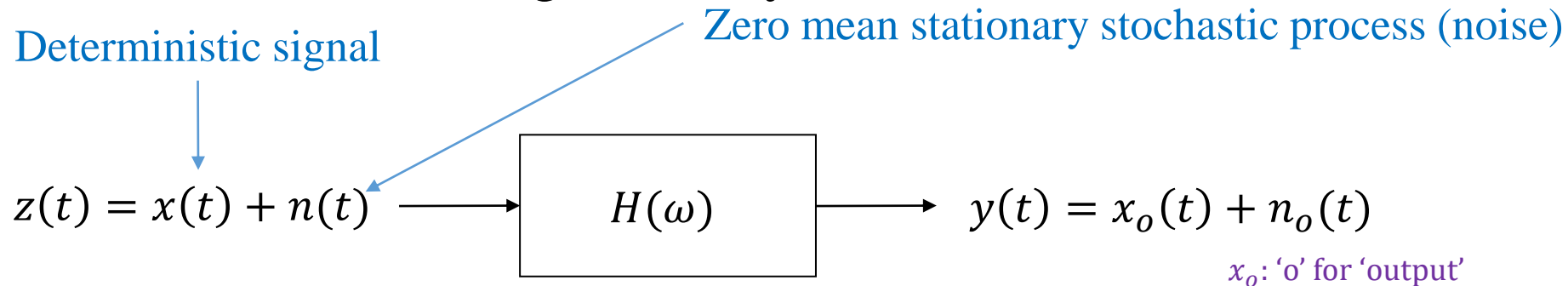
- Optimal Linear Filter
- Matched filter

## Optimal Linear Filter – introduction

- Many electronic systems are based on echo detection:
  - Radar, sonar, ultrasonic, infrared
- Sometimes, the noise power is much larger than the signal power
  - Signal-to-noise ratio:  $\text{SNR} = \text{signal power} / \text{noise power}$
  - The higher the signal-to-noise ratio, the higher the accuracy of target detection (in radar, sonar, ...) and the lower the probability of error (in communication).
- Therefore, it is necessary to design a filter to enhance the power of signal and reduce the power of noise.

# Optimal Linear Filter

- Given the following linear systems:



- then:

spectrum

output signal

For signal  $X_o(\omega) = X(\omega)H(\omega) \longrightarrow x_o(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega)H(\omega)e^{j\omega t} d\omega$

Instantaneous output signal power at time  $t$ :  $x_o^2(t)$

For noise

Power spectrum

Average noise power

$S_{n_o}(\omega) = S_n(\omega)|H(\omega)|^2 \longrightarrow E(n_o^2(t)) = R_{n_o}(\tau = 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_n(\omega)|H(\omega)|^2 d\omega$



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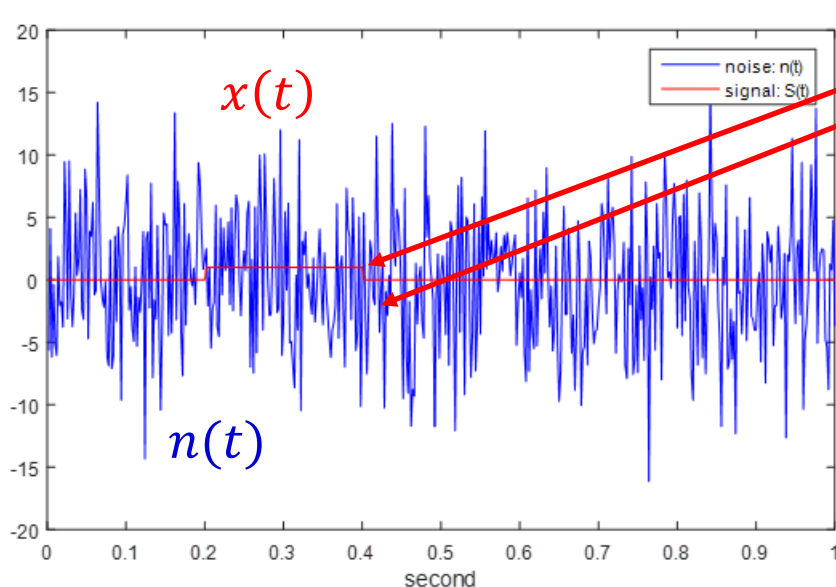
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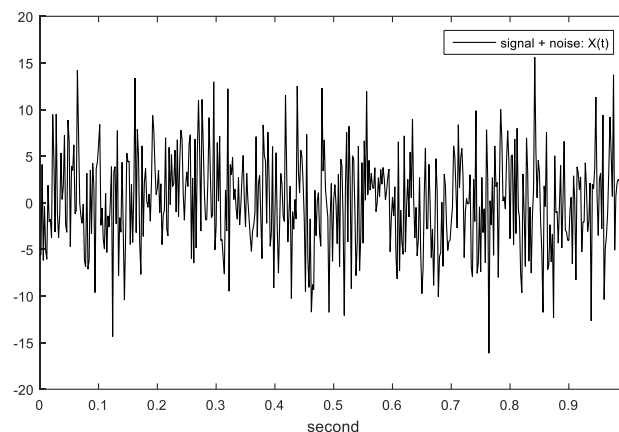
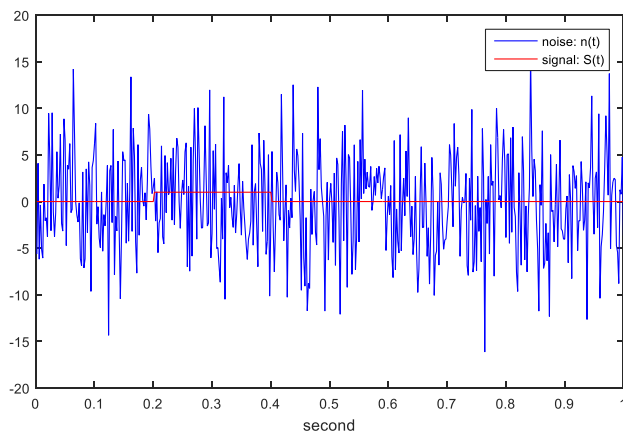
end time of signal: 0.4s

- Our goal is to find out the end time of the signal correctly in the time period of 0-1s, which is,
- We know that the signal ends at 0.4s, but how to 'detect' it?

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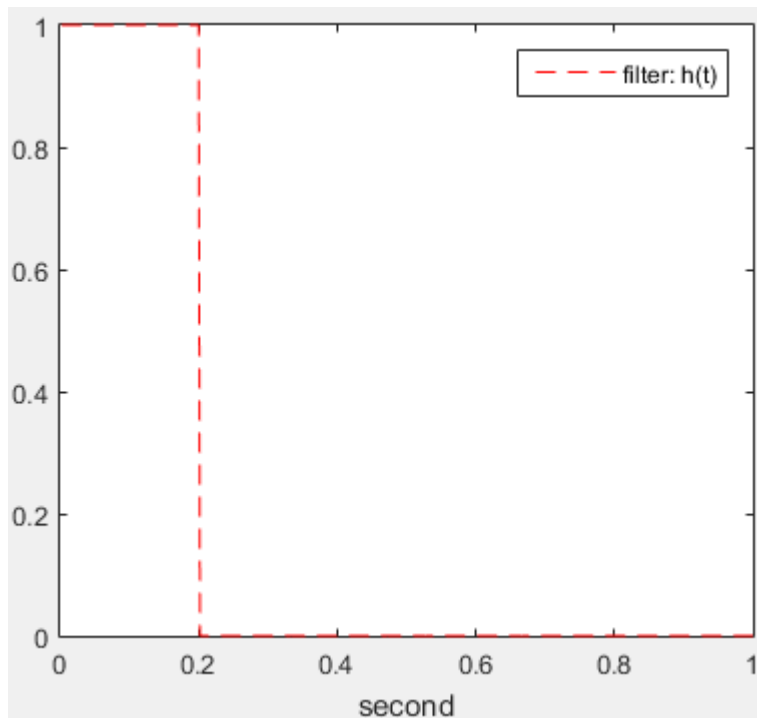
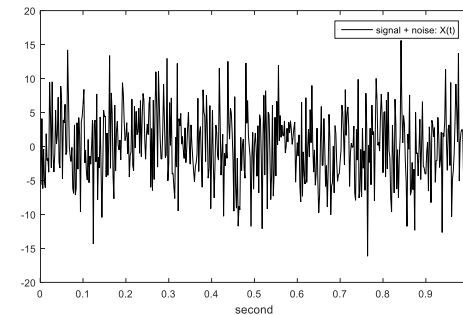
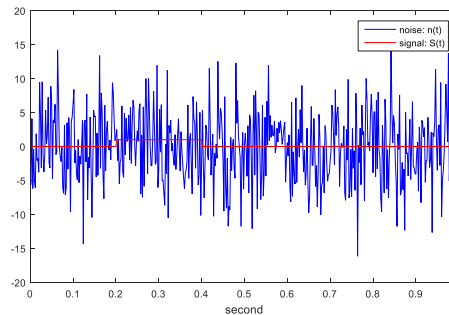
Note that what we receive is the right image, we cannot 'see' the signal directly!

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- Now let's solve the problem:
  - Define a filter  $h(t)$  as follows:



- The duration of the filter is 0.2 seconds, which is consistent with the duration of the signal.
- The filter is a square wave (look similar as the signal)
- Now we feed the input  $z(t)$  to  $h(t)$  and get the output  $y(t)$

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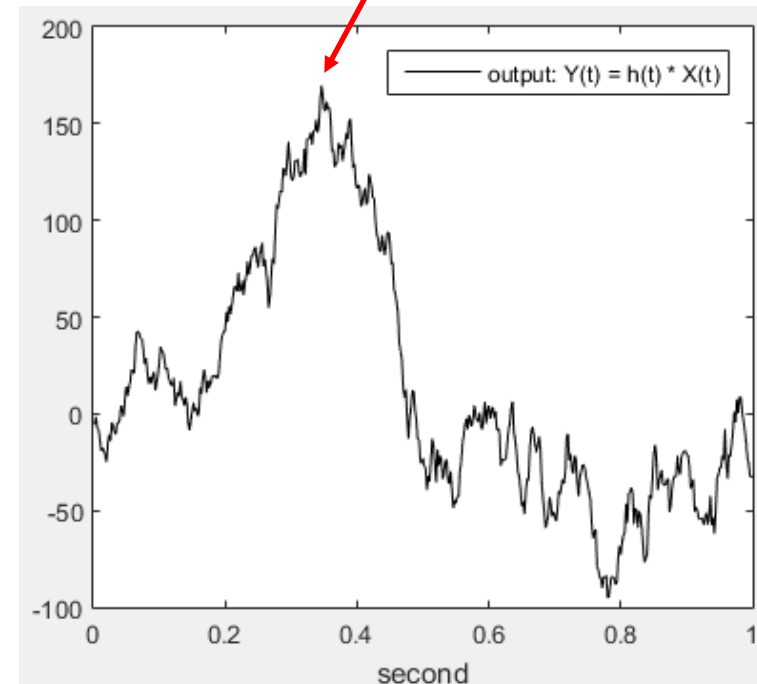
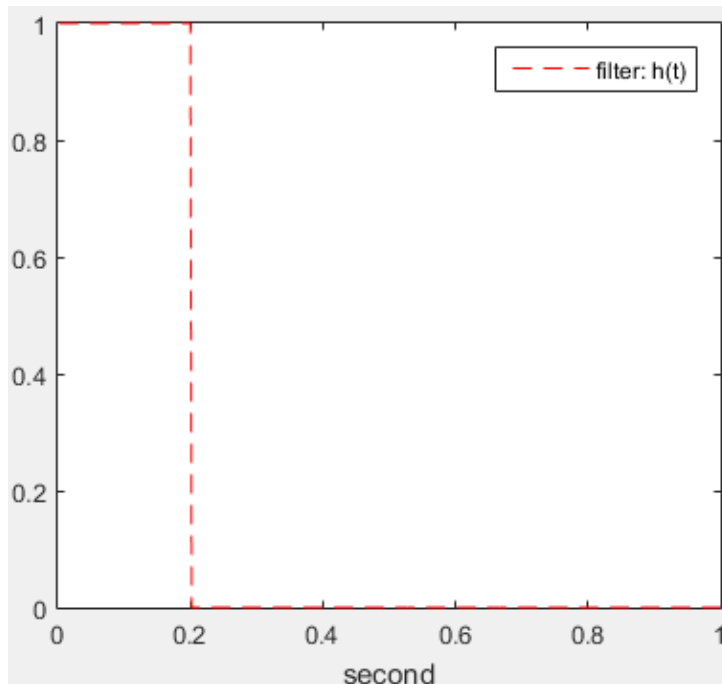
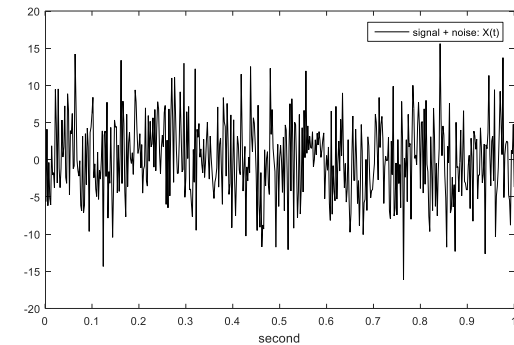
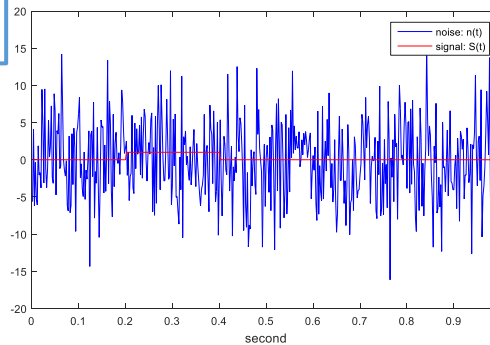
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Obviously, the signal seems located here. Although this result is not exactly 0.4 second (i.e. the correct end time of the signal), it is close. Moreover, the peak characteristic (峰值特征) is obvious.

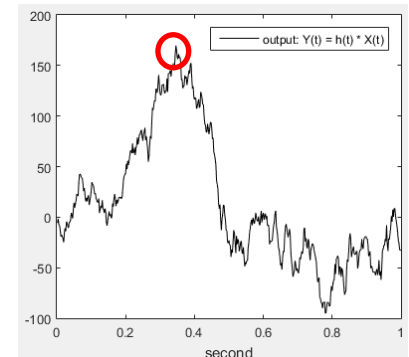
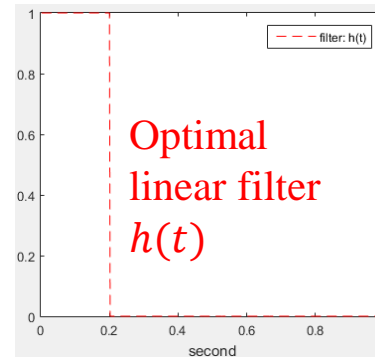
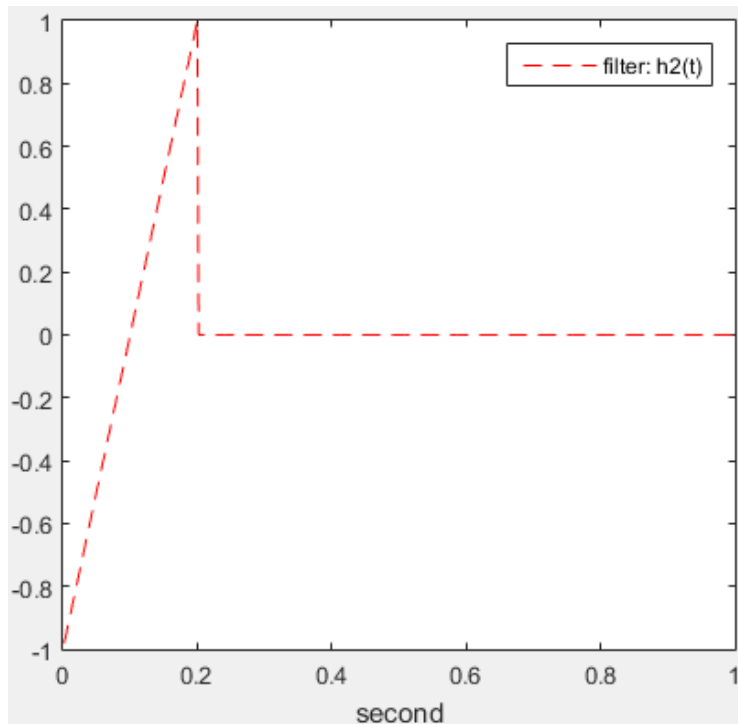


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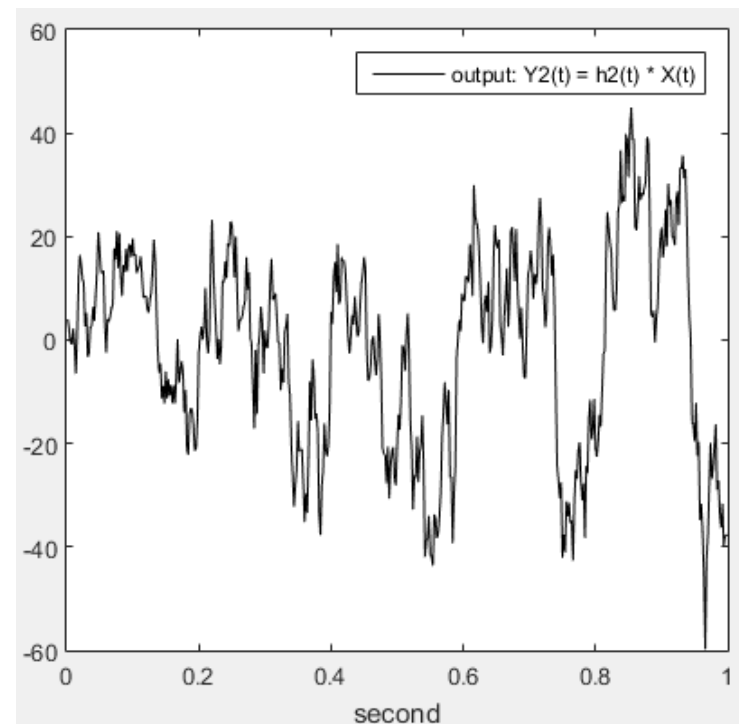
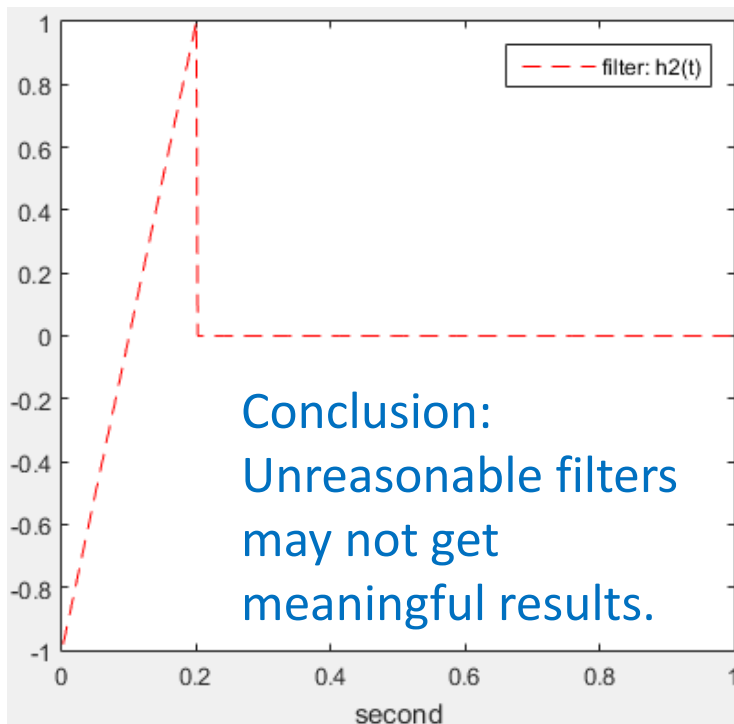
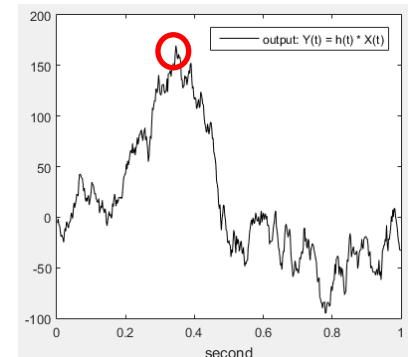
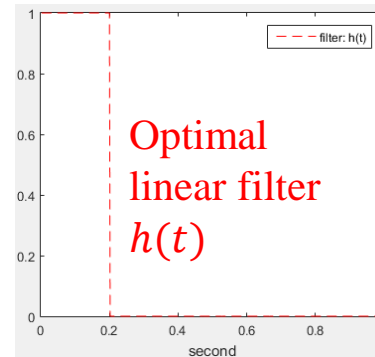
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- The filter is a triangular wave.
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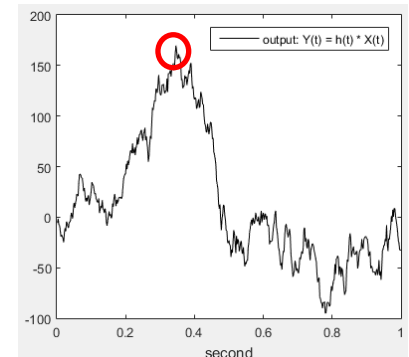
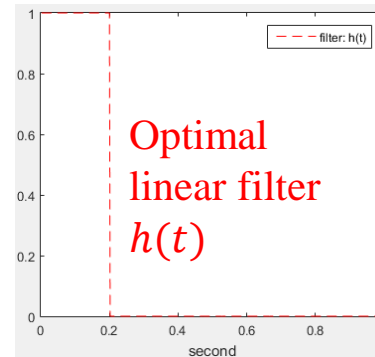
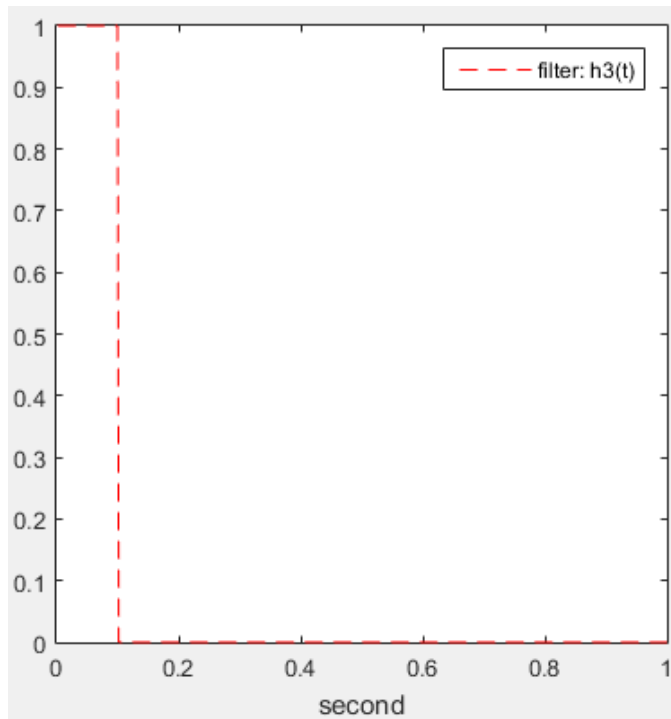


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- However, the duration of the filter is 0.1 seconds, which is shorter than the duration of the signal.
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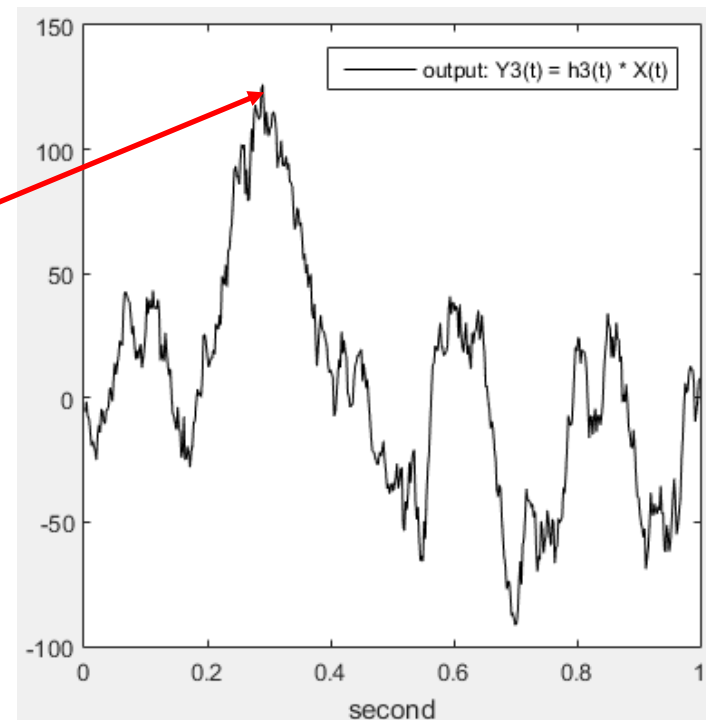
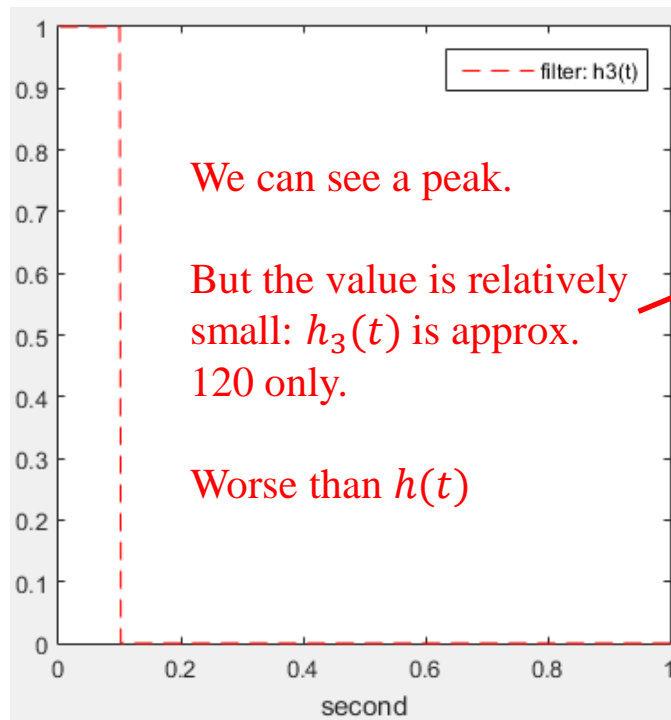
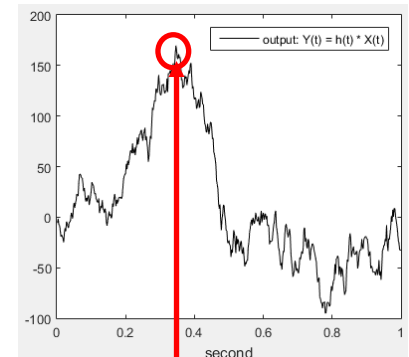
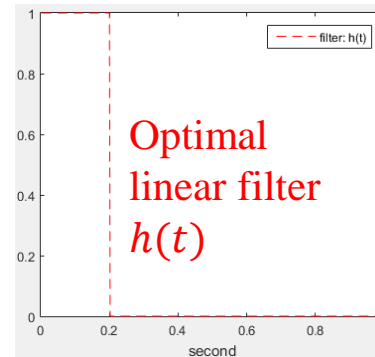
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*The peak value of filter  $h(t)$  is approx. 160;*

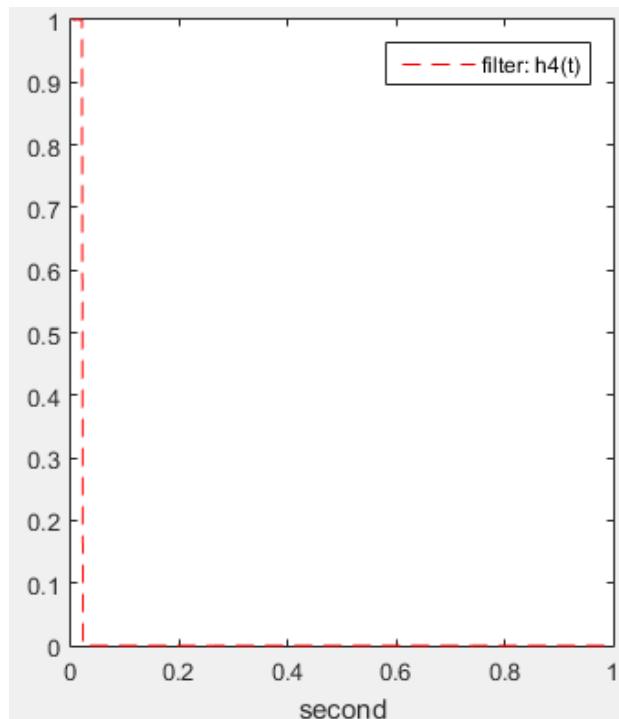
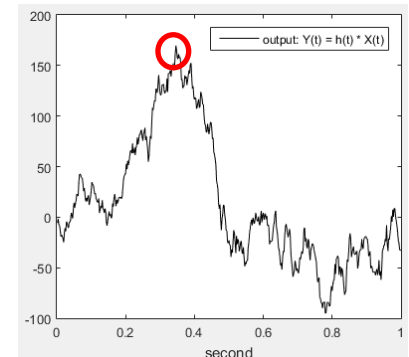
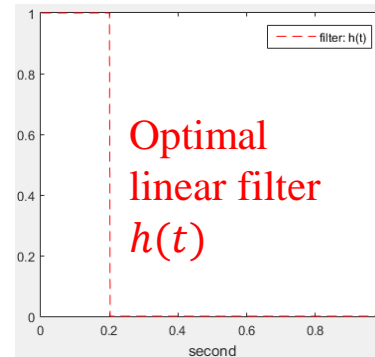


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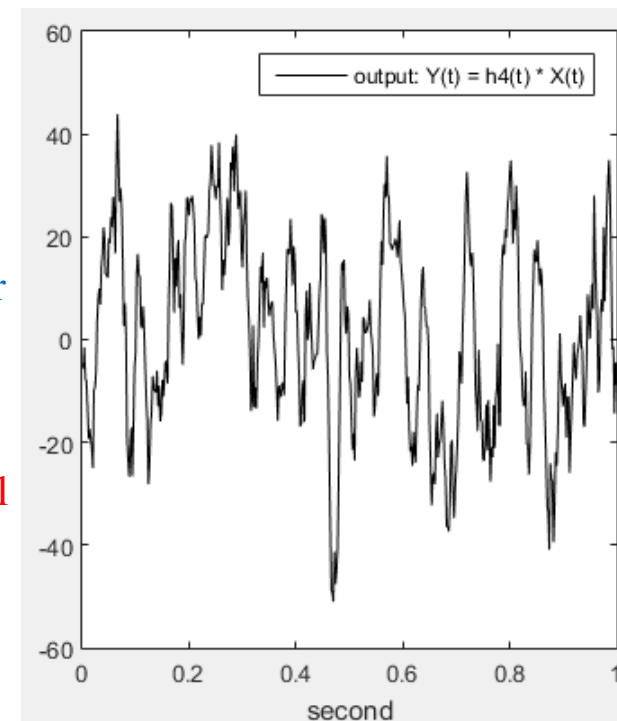
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- Now let's solve the problem:
  - How about a filter  $h_4(t)$  with only 0.02 seconds. (1 / 10 of the signal time)



- the result looks like noise. Unable to determine the location of the signal.
- Conclusion: Unreasonable filter time length does not work well.
- In fact, the filter duration time should be the same as the signal duration time



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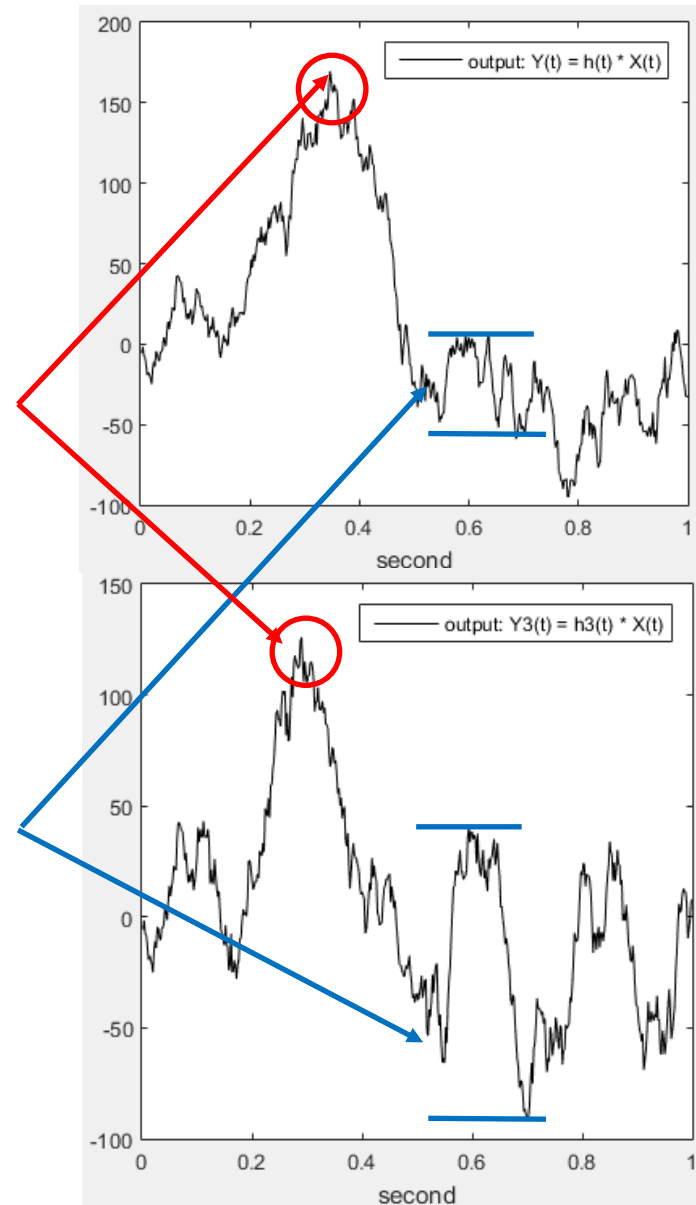
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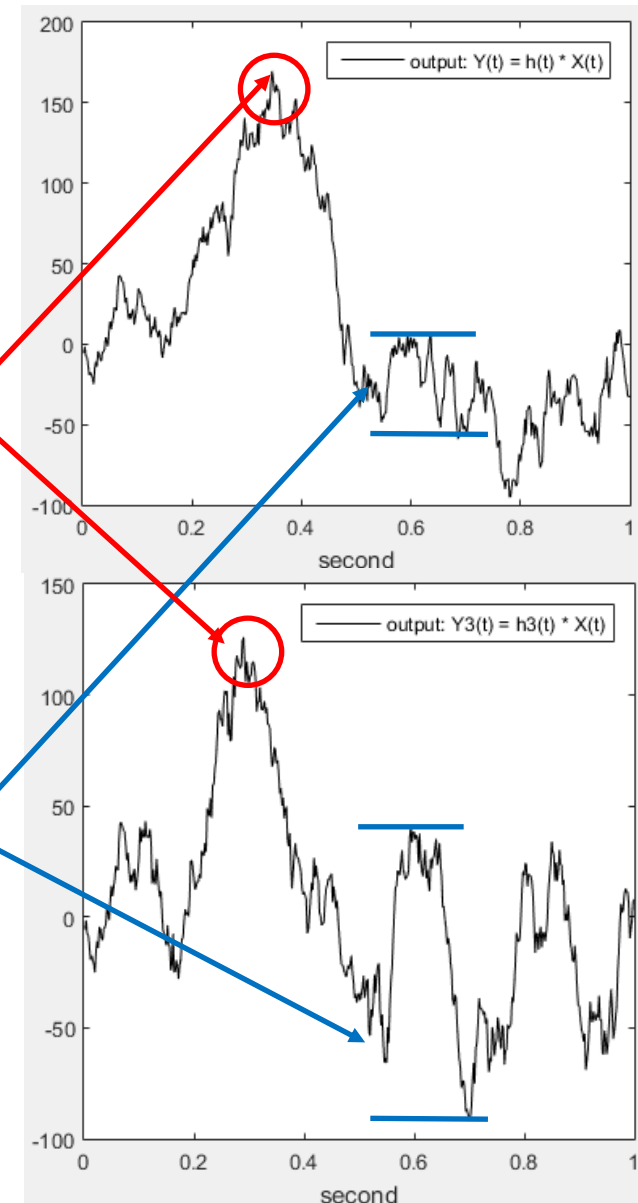
- We need to design an "optimal filter", in order to simplify the system design, preferably "optimal linear filter".
- Given signal  $x(t)$  and noise  $n(t)$ , we can determine the shape of this "optimal linear filter".
- Wrong shapes leads to wrong results.
- The duration of this "optimal linear filter" is also important.
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- **How to solve it mathematically?**

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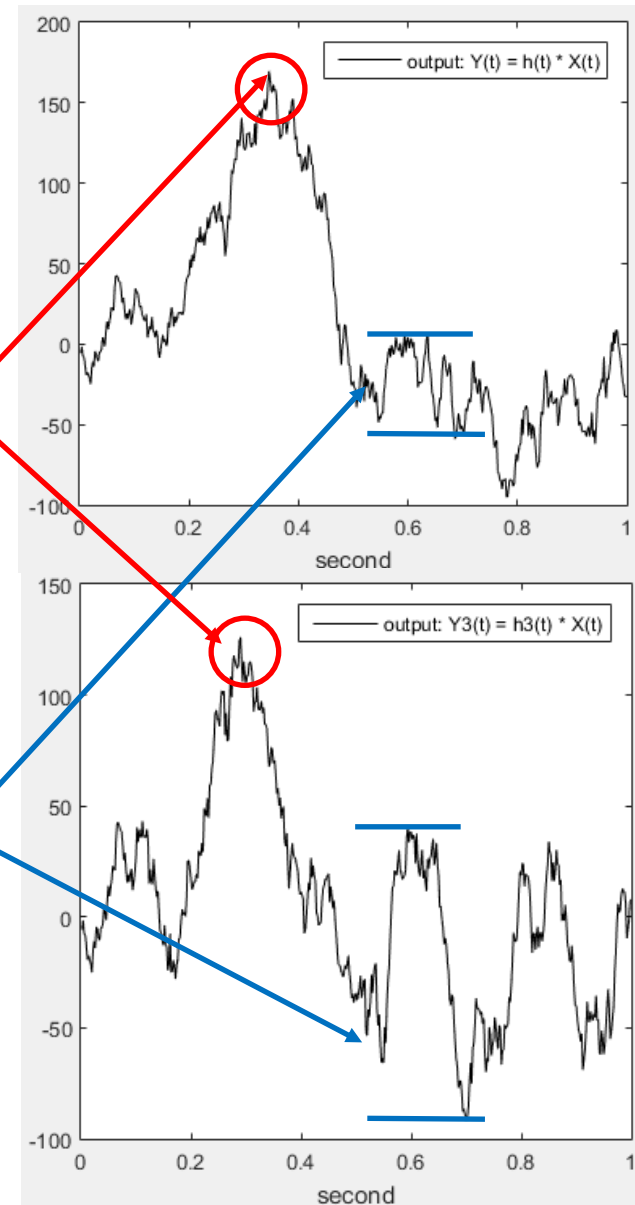
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- This "optimal linear filter" aims at making the output **peak signal-to-noise ratio (the ratio of the maximum signal to noise)** as large as possible.
- Therefore, we should first define "signal-to-noise ratio"

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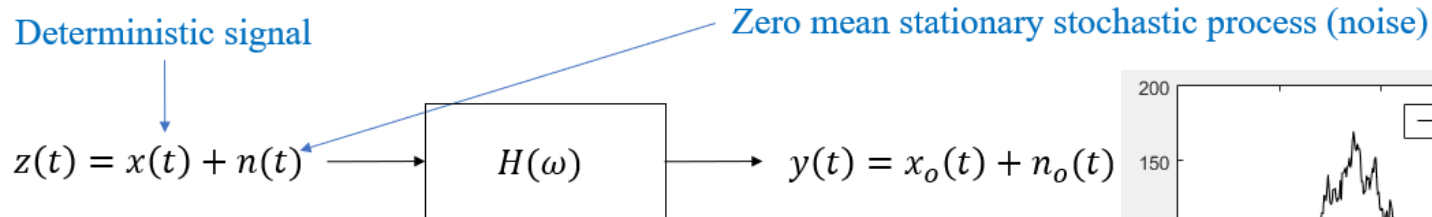
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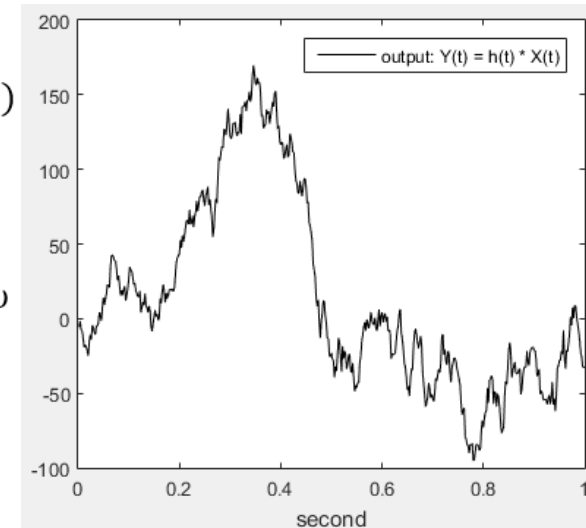
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Instantaneous output signal power at time  $t$ :  $x_o^2(t)$

Power spectrum  $\rightarrow$  Average noise power

For noise  $S_{n_o}(\omega) = S_n(\omega)|H(\omega)|^2 \rightarrow E(n_o^2(t)) = R_{n_o}(\tau = 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_n(\omega)|H(\omega)|^2 d\omega$



- We can define the **SNR at time  $t$**  as  $\underline{x_o^2(t)/E(n_o^2(t))}$
- Note that this **SNR change with time** as signal change with time
- Thus, when this SNR reaches its maximum, it is where the signal located!

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- Target:
  - Design a linear system  $h(t)$  to maximize the output signal-to-noise ratio
- Result: when  $H(\omega) = cX^*(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0}/S_n(\omega)$ , the signal-to-noise ratio is maximized.
  - The  $c$  is a constant and can be any value



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- Result: when  $H(\omega) = cX^*(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0}/S_n(\omega)$ , the signal-to-noise ratio is maximized, and we call the  $d_0$  at this  $H(\omega)$  as  $d_m$  ( $m$  stands for maximum)

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As all parameters are positive, the absolute is removed.

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- Although we have not solved the filter  $h(t)$ , the maximum signal-to-noise ratio is obtained theoretically. It has many characteristics and applications:
  - The maximum signal-to-noise ratio is defined by the signal and noise only.
  - Given the signal and noise, it is necessary to determine whether a signal can be detected without designing the filter  $h(t)$  or solving the output  $y(t)$ 
    - For example, for a system, if the signal can only be detected under a signal-to-noise ratio larger than 1 (or says, 0dB). And according to the signal and noise, we calculate that  $d_m = 0.5$ , which is, the maximum Signal-to-noise ratio is 0.5, or says, SNR=1 is impossible, then we reach to the conclusion that we cannot detect the signal.

## Outline

- Optimal Linear Filter
- Matched filter (匹配滤波器)

# Matched filter

- The previous optimal linear filter is for general stationary noise
- For white noise:

- The power spectrum of white noise is a constant  $q$ :

$$H(\omega) = cX^*(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0}/q = c_n X^*(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0} = cX^*(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0}$$

- Impulse response:

$$h(t) = cx^*(t_0 - t) \xrightarrow[\text{If it's a real signal}]{} h(t) = cx(t_0 - t)$$

- This is called **matched filter**:

- The impulse response of the matched filter is the conjugate image (共轭镜像) of the input signal
- When  $c = 1$ ,  $h(t)$  and  $x(t)$  are even symmetric (偶对称) centered at  $t_0/2$ .

Fourier transformation

$c$  is a constant, which can be assigned a new constant  $c_n = c/q$ , and it can be simplified written as  $c$

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- Properties of matched filter

- Let the power spectrum of white noise be  $S_n(\omega) = q$ , then the maximum SNR

$$\begin{aligned} d_m &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{|X(\omega)|^2}{S_n(\omega)} d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{|X(\omega)|^2}{q} d\omega \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(\omega)|^2 d\omega}{q} = \frac{E_X}{q} \end{aligned}$$

Where  $E_X = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(\omega)|^2 d\omega$  is the energy of the signal;  $q$  is noise power

- Property 1: the maximum signal-to-noise ratio is only related to the energy of the signal and the noise power, and not related to the waveform shape of signal.

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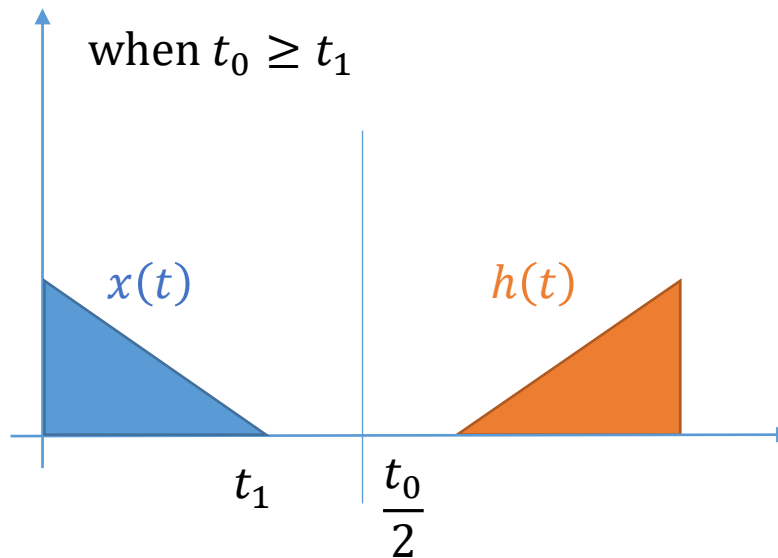
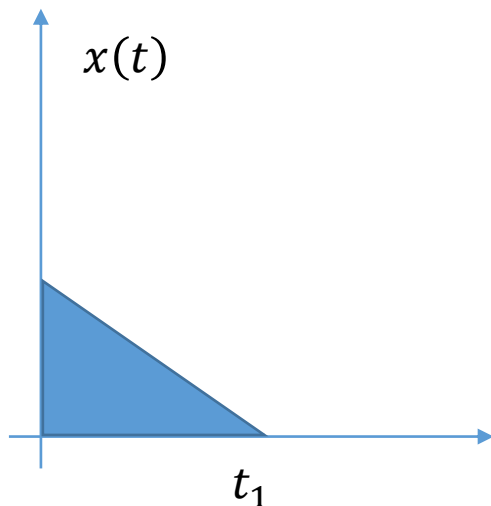
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It works!

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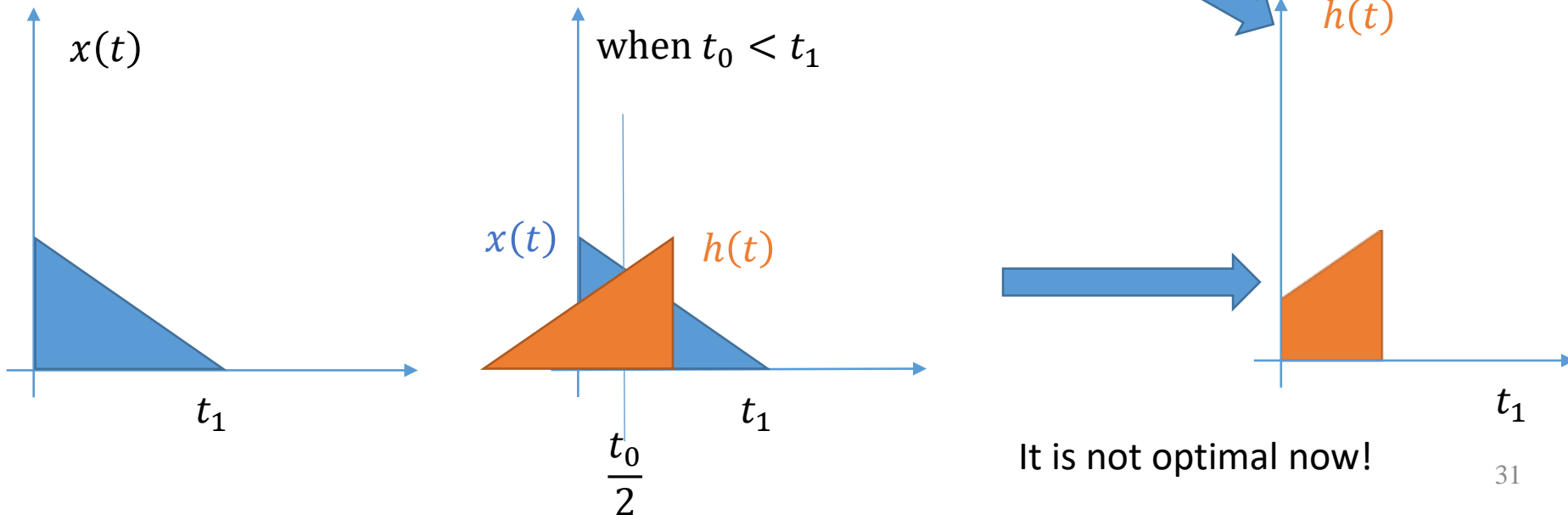
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- Properties of matched filter :

- Property 3: matched filter is adaptive to signal attenuation and time delay
  - It is assumed that the received signal has certain attenuation and time delay comparing to the transmitted signal

$$x_1(t) = ax(t - \tau) \longleftrightarrow X_1(\omega) = aX(\omega)e^{-j\omega\tau}$$

- Then the new matched filter is :

$$\begin{aligned} H_1(\omega) &= cX_1^*(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_1} = caX^*(\omega)e^{-j\omega(t_1-\tau)} \\ &= caX^*(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0}e^{-j\omega(t_1-\tau-t_0)} \\ &= aH(\omega)e^{-j\omega(t_1-\tau-t_0)} \end{aligned}$$

Matched filter of  $x(t)$ :

$$H(\omega) = cX^*(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0}$$

- Where  $H(\omega)$  is the matched filter of signal  $x(t)$ . Define  $t_1 = t_0 + \tau$  we have:

$$H_1(\omega) = aH(\omega)$$

**Physical meaning: when designing a matched filter, if there is attenuation and time delay in the received signal, the filter can still work well!**



## Matched filter

- Example 1: given an input  $z(t) = x(t) + n(t)$ , where  $x(t)$  is a deterministic signal with spectrum  $X(\omega)$  as follows, and  $n(t)$  is a stationary Gaussian white noise with power spectrum  $A$ . Calculate the maximum signal-to-noise ratio of the output of  $z(t)$  feeding to its matched filter.

$$X(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 + j\omega, & (0 < \omega \leq 1) \\ 0, & (other) \end{cases}$$

**Solution:**

# More examples

- Example 2: given input  $X(t)$ , system  $H(\omega) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + j\omega}$  and output  $Y(t)$ , and the autocorrelation  $R_X(\tau) = 3\delta(\tau)$ , calculate: (1) the autocorrelation of output (2) if the average power of the output is 3, find  $\alpha$ . (3) Cross-correlation  $R_{YX}(\tau)$
- Example 3: given that the input signal  $X(t)$  and output signal  $Y(t)$  of a linear system satisfy

$$Y(t) = X(t) + X(t - \tau)$$

Find the power spectrum of  $Y(t)$  (expressed by  $S_X(\omega)$ )

Hint: time delay  $\tau$  corresponds to  $e^{-j\tau\omega}$  in frequency domain, which is,  $X(t - \tau) \leftrightarrow X(\omega)e^{-j\tau\omega}$

- Example 4: feed a white noise to an RC circuit as figure 1, calculate: (1) the noise equivalent pass-band  $\Delta f_e$ ; (2) the correlation time of the output.

Hint:  $\int_a^b \frac{1}{1+x^2} da = \arctan(x) \Big|_a^b$

Some more widely used Fourier Transform pairs

Hint

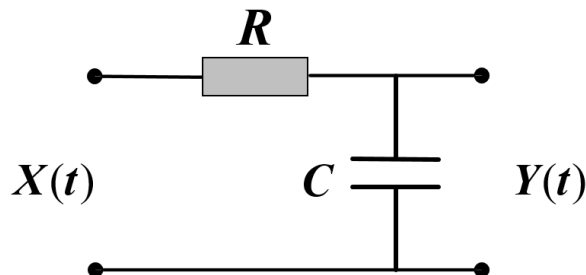


figure 1

Circuit System	$H(\omega)$	$h(t)$
	$\frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC}$	$\frac{1}{RC} e^{-t/RC} U(t)$

- This week:
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- Next week:
  - Text book: 10.1: Ergodicity

## Experiment

- Go on with Experiment 3