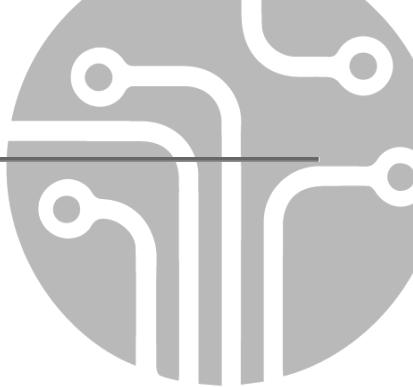




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# 1D Digital filters

# Filter definition in MATLAB

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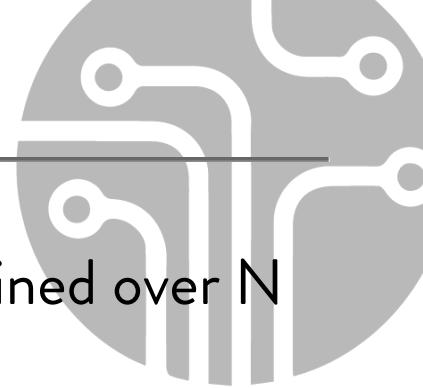
1. Given  $H(z) = B(z) / A(z)$ :

- $[H(\omega), \omega] = \text{freqz}(B(z), A(z), N, \text{'whole'})$ : for both FIR and IIR.
- $h(n) = \text{filter}(B(z), A(z), \delta(n))$ : precise with FIR, only an approximation for IIR.

2. Given  $h(n)$ :

- $H(f)$  or  $H(\omega)$  evaluated on  $N$  samples =  $\text{fft}(h, N)$

# Filter definition in MATLAB

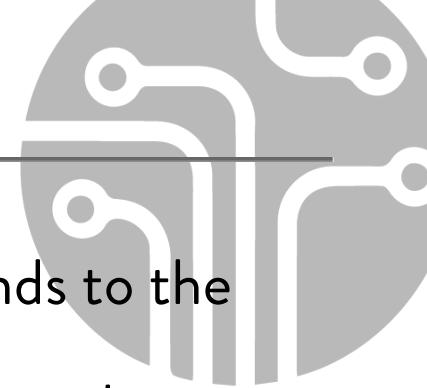


- $H(f)$  (or  $H(\omega)$ ) returned by MATLAB are defined over  $N$  samples.
- The DTFT is PERIODIC:
  - In frequency domain, period =  $F_s$ ,  $f = [0, F_s]$  or  $f = [-F_s/2, F_s/2]$  [Hz]
  - In angular frequency domain, period =  $2\pi F_s$ ,  $\omega = [0, 2\pi F_s]$  or  $\omega = [-\pi F_s, \pi F_s]$  [rad/s]
  - In normalized frequency, period = 1,  $\tilde{f} = [0, 1]$  or  $\tilde{f} = [-0.5, 0.5]$
  - In normalized angular frequency, period =  $2\pi$ ,  $\tilde{\omega} = [0, 2\pi]$  or  $\tilde{\omega} = [-\pi, \pi]$

*How to relate the MATLAB result with the actual Fourier spectrum?*

*→ How to express MATLAB samples as real frequencies in Hz  
or normalized frequencies?*

# MATLAB metrics conversion



The N-th sample in the MATLAB result corresponds to the maximum frequency over 1 period of the periodic spectrum.

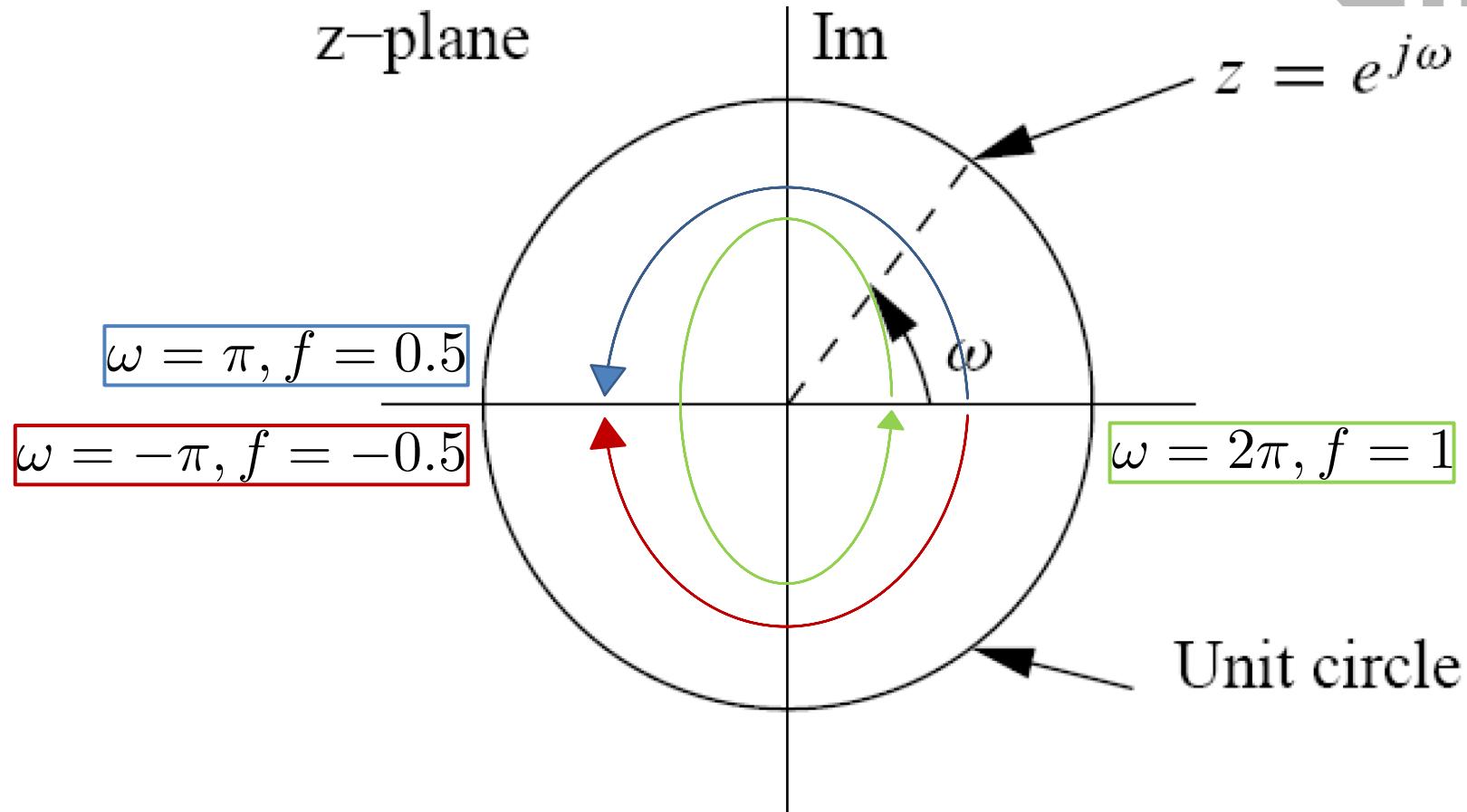
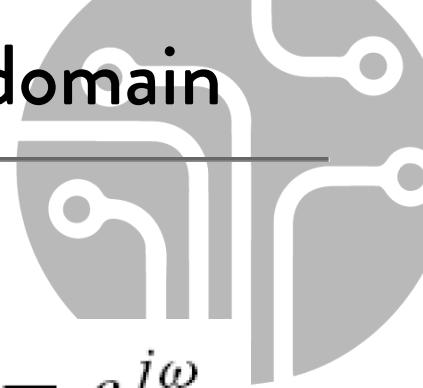


Given the array of MATLAB samples:  $\mathbf{n} = [0, 1, 2, \dots, N - 1]$

- The frequency axis [Hz] = [0,  $F_s$ ] is obtained as  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \frac{F_s}{N}$
- The angular frequency axis [rad/s] = [0,  $2\pi F_s$ ] is obtained as  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \frac{2\pi F_s}{N}$
- The normalized frequency axis = [0, 1) is obtained as  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \frac{1}{N}$
- The normalized angular frequency axis = [0,  $2\pi$ ) is obtained as  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N}$

**LEARNING BY HEART IS NOT NEEDED!** Just think at the units of measure

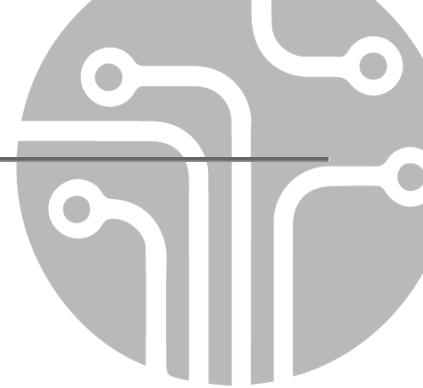
# From Z domain to normalized frequency domain



To pass from normalized domain to real frequency domain, multiply by  $F_s$

# FIR vs IIR filters in MATLAB

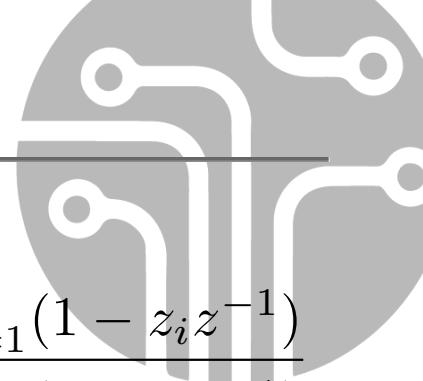
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1. Given a FIR filter and the input signal  $x(n)$ :
  - Use ‘conv’ if filter is expressed in time domain
  - Use ‘filter’ if you have  $H(z)$  or the time domain filter
  - Use the product of ‘fft’s in frequency domain
  - Use the product of signal ‘fft’ and filter ‘freqz’ in f domain
2. Given an IIR filter and the input signal  $x(n)$ :
  - You cannot use ‘conv’! The result will be just an approximation because the filter has infinite duration
  - You can use all the other functions

# Zeros and poles recall

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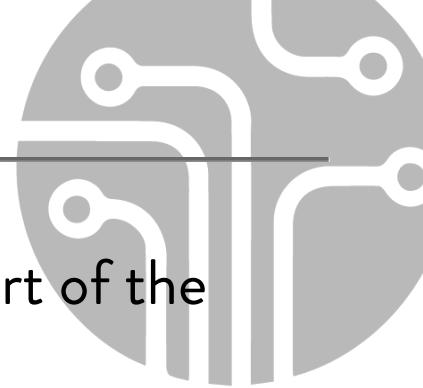


$$H(z) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^N b_k z^{-k}}{\sum_{k=0}^D a_k z^{-k}} = z^{D-N} \frac{b_0}{a_0} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^N (z - z_i)}{\prod_{i=1}^D (z - p_i)} = \frac{b_0}{a_0} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^N (1 - z_i z^{-1})}{\prod_{i=1}^D (1 - p_i z^{-1})}$$

- $z_i$  = roots of numerator, called ‘zeros’
- $p_i$  = roots of denominator, called ‘poles’

# Zeros and poles recall: *the poles*

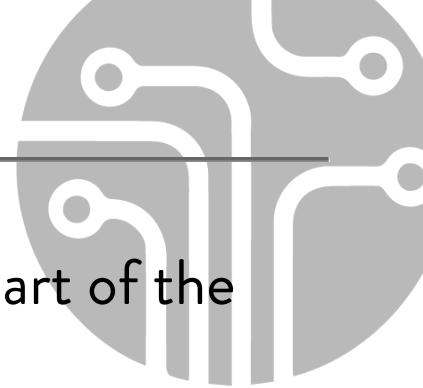
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- The poles are associated with the autoregressive part of the filter → they generate IIR filters.
- The filter amplitude response enhances frequencies which are near the poles.
- If poles are outside the unit circle and the filter is causal, the system is unstable.

# Zeros and poles recall: *the zeros*

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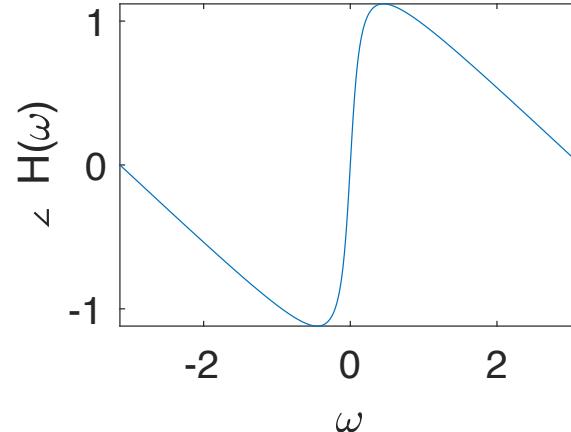
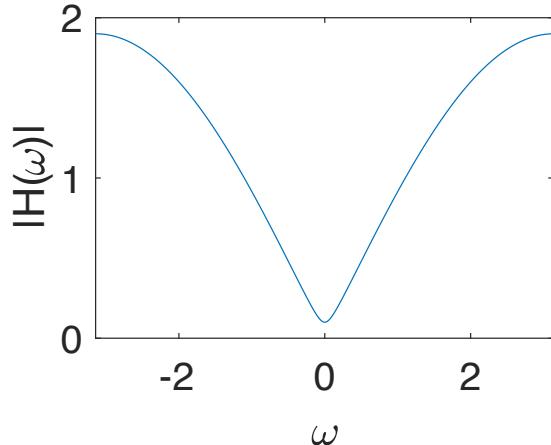
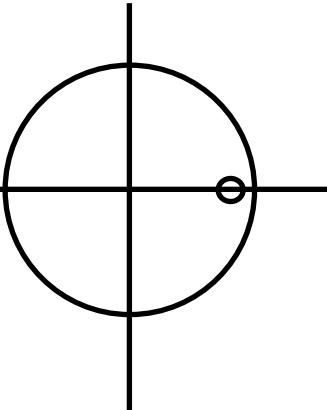


- The zeros are associated with the moving average part of the filter → they generate FIR filters
- The filter amplitude response attenuates frequencies which are near the zeros
- Zeros influence also the phase of the filter:
  - Minimum phase zeros if  $z < 1$
  - Maximum phase zeros if  $z \geq 1$

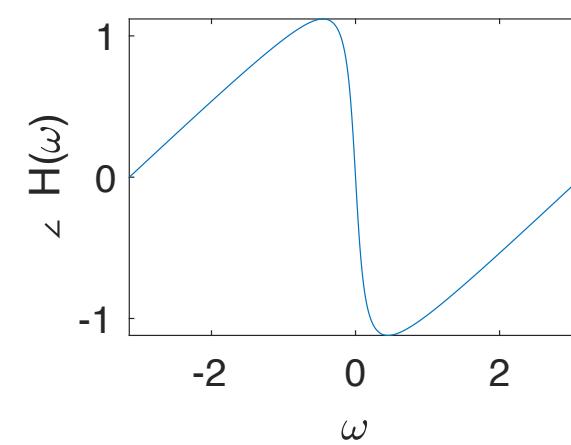
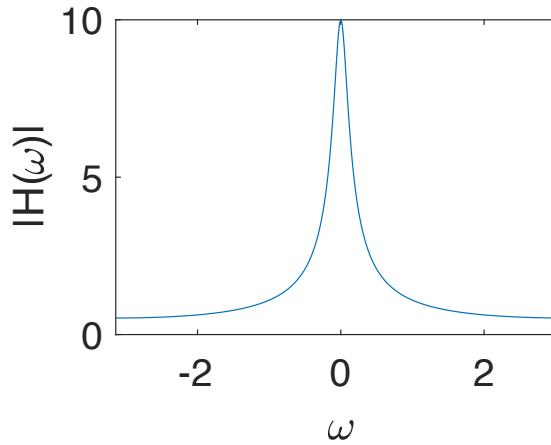
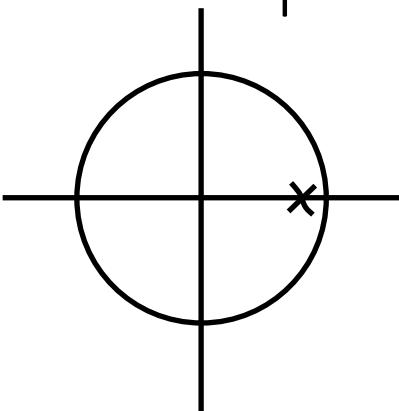
# Filter design using zeros&poles



- 1 zero:  $H(z) = 1 - z_0 z^{-1}$ ,  $z_0 = 0.9$

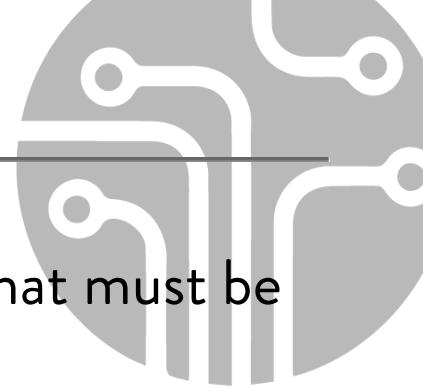


- 1 pole:  $H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - p_0 z^{-1}}$ ,  ~~$p_0 = 0.9$~~



# Filter design using zeros&poles

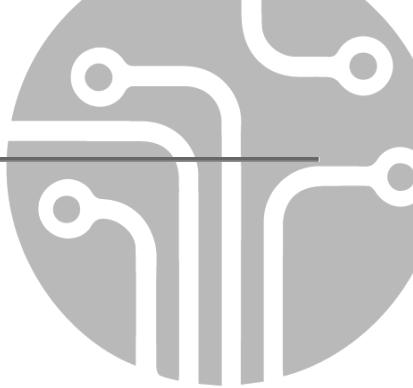
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- Place poles close to the unit circle in frequencies that must be emphasized
- Place zeros according to the desired phase response.  
The closer they are to the unit circle, the higher the frequency attenuation

# Filter design using zeros&poles

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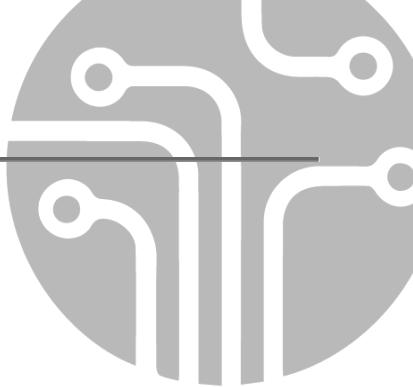


Open ‘zogui.m’



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# Remarkable LTI filters

# Magnitude square function



- The magnitude response of a LTI system is:

$$M(f) = |H(f)|^2 = H(f) \cdot H^*(f) = H(z) \cdot H^*(z^{-1}) \Big|_{|z|=1}$$

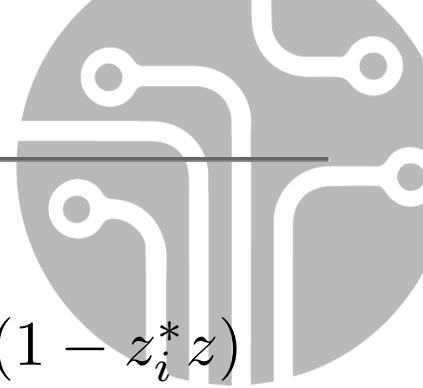
- Given a generic rational transfer function

$$H(z) = \frac{b_0}{a_0} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^N (1 - z_i z^{-1})}{\prod_{i=1}^D (1 - p_i z^{-1})}$$



$$M(z) = H(z)H^*(z^{-1}) = \frac{|b_0|^2}{|a_0|^2} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^N (1 - z_i z^{-1})(1 - z_i^* z)}{\prod_{i=1}^D (1 - p_i z^{-1})(1 - p_i^* z)}$$

# Magnitude square function

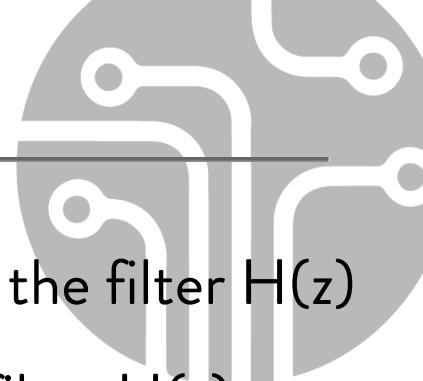


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quando calcolo il modulo ho nuovi poli e zeri: (per ottenere coeff a valore Reale)

- For each zero  $z_i$  of  $H(z)$ , there is another zero at  $\frac{1}{z_i^*}$
- For each pole  $p_i$  of  $H(z)$ , there is another pole at  $\frac{1}{p_i^*}$
- $M(z)$  presents poles and zeros in conjugate reciprocal pairs

# Magnitude square function



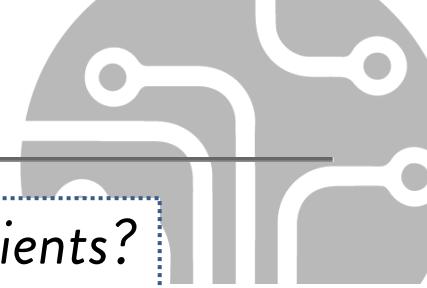
- Given a magnitude response requirement  $M(z)$  for the filter  $H(z)$
- Given stability and causality requirements for the filter  $H(z)$   
only poles inside the unit circle, zero no constraint



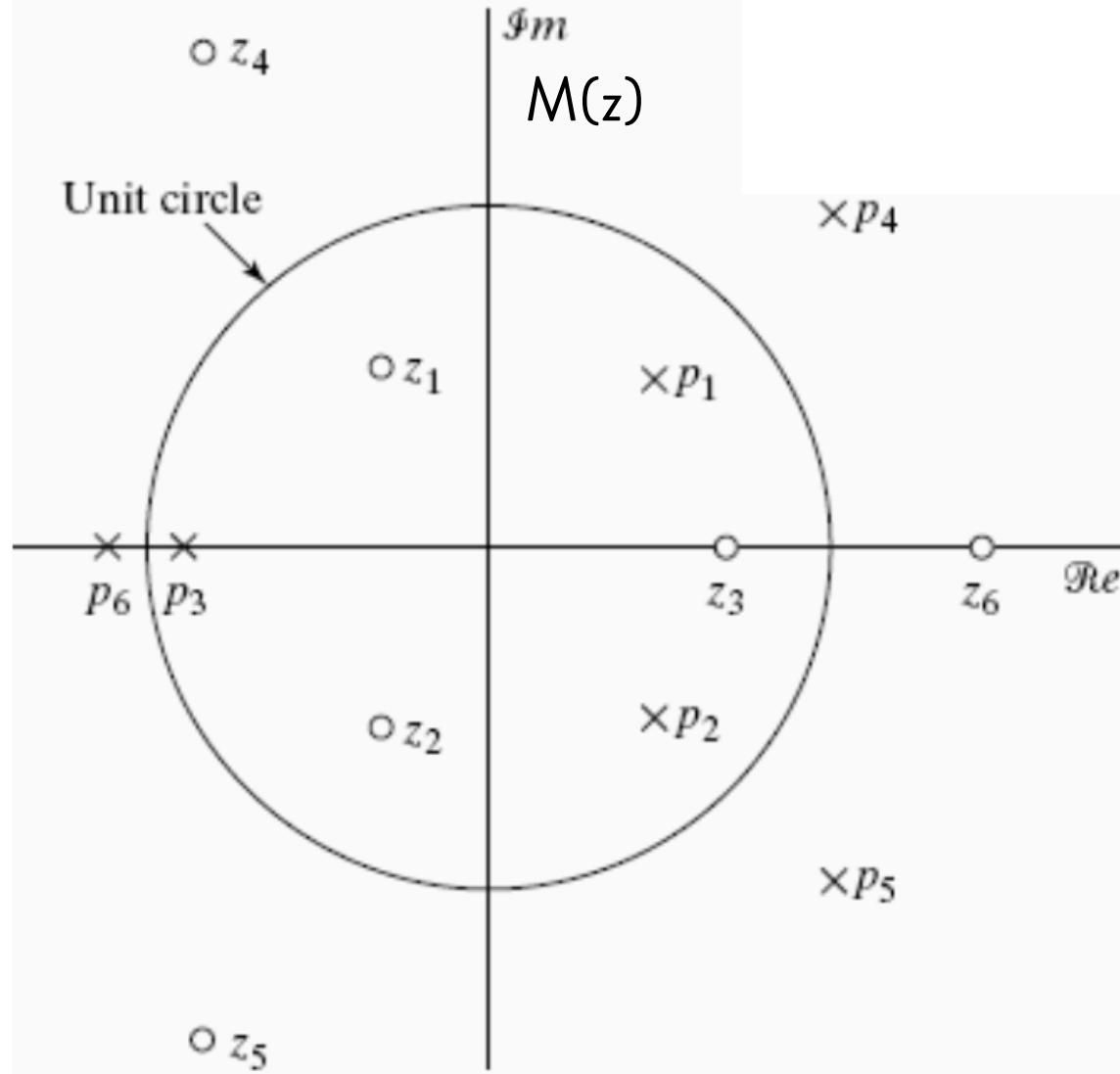
- The poles of  $H(z)$  are those of  $M(z)$  inside the unit circle and are uniquely identified
- The zeros of  $H(z)$  are **not** uniquely identified
- Given a causal filter  $H(z)$  of order  $N$ , it has the same magnitude response  $M(z)$  of the causal filter  $G(z) = z^{-N} H^*(z^{-1})$

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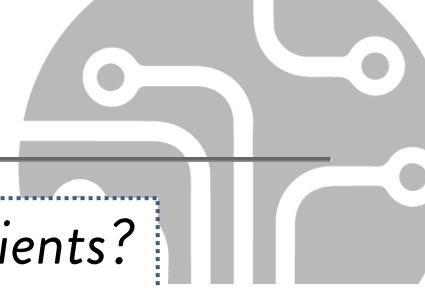
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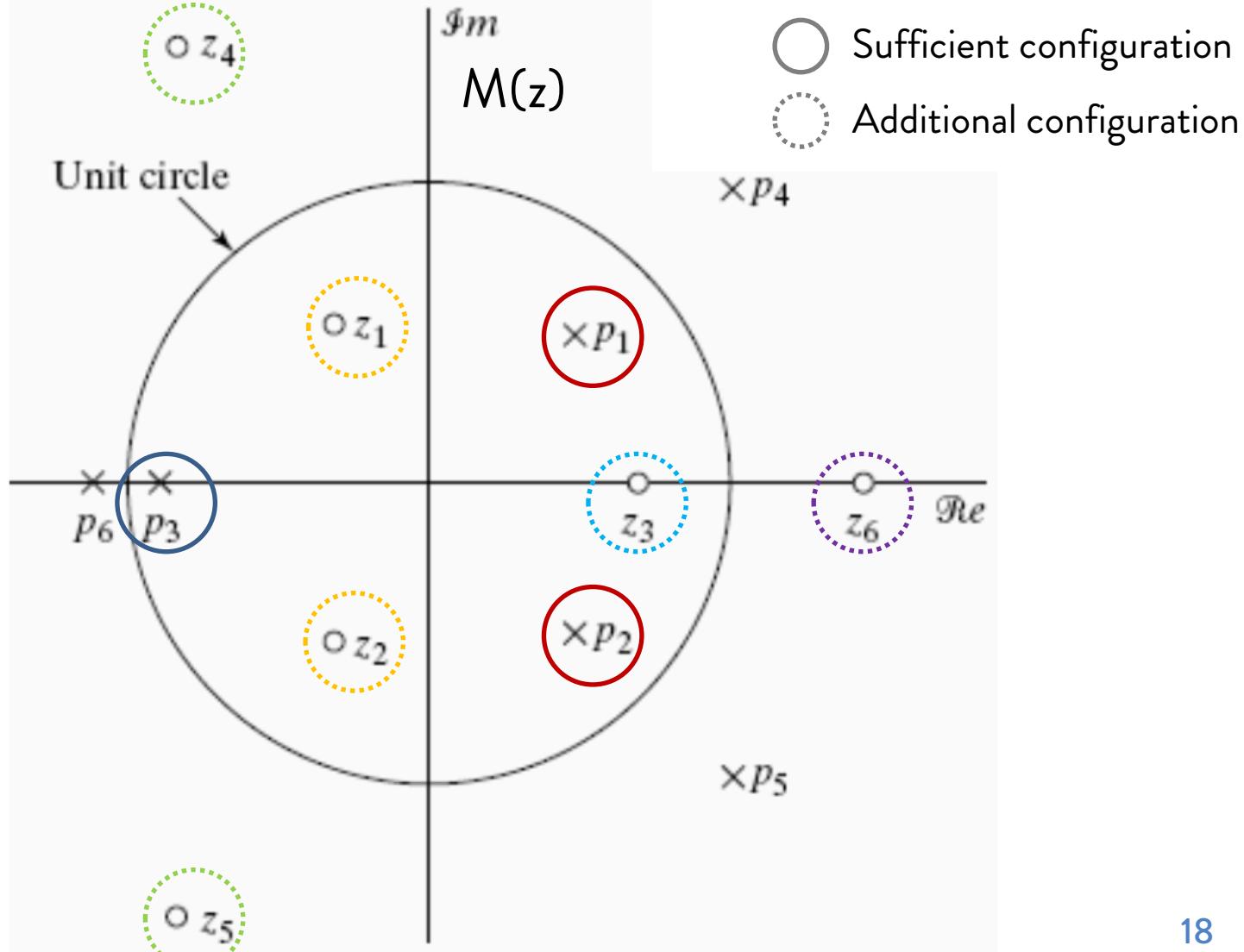
How to get a **causal stable** system with **real** coefficients?



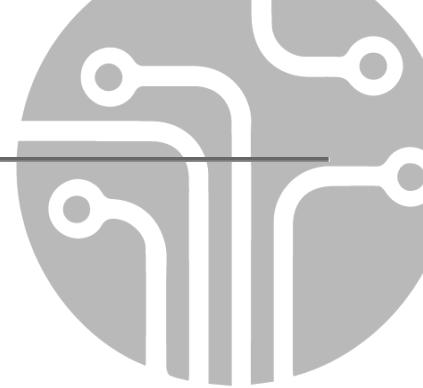
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How to get a **causal stable** system with **real** coefficients?



# Es 22: magnitude response



- Given the filters:

$$H_1(z) = \frac{2(1 - z^{-1})(1 + 0.5z^{-1})}{(1 - 0.8e^{j\pi/4}z^{-1})(1 - 0.8e^{-j\pi/4}z^{-1})}$$

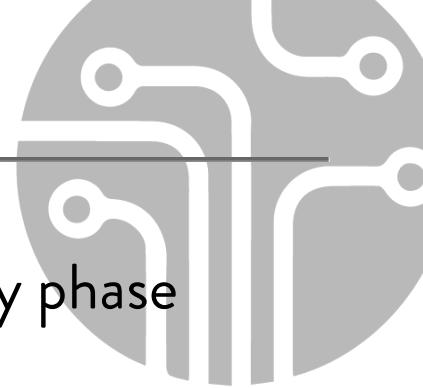
$$H_2(z) = \frac{(1 - \boxed{z}^{-1})(1 + \boxed{2}z^{-1})}{(1 - \boxed{0.8e^{j\pi/4}}z^{-1})(1 - 0.8e^{-j\pi/4}z^{-1})}$$

per ricavare il polinomio (cioè la moltiplicazione di questi elementi fondamentali) posso fare la convoluzione tra i coeff, quindi la penso nel tempo; ottengo i coeff del polinomio

- Plot the zeros and the poles in the Z-plane using ‘zplane’
- Plot in the same figure the magnitude responses as a function of normalized omega, using N = 1024 samples
- How are the magnitudes related? Why?

se ho uno zero su H1 e lo stesso ma reciproco e coniugato in H2, il modulo NON CAMBIA

# Allpass filters



Allpass filters are designed to have constant gain and any phase response:

$$|H_{ap}(f)| = |H_{ap}(z)| \Big|_{|z|=1} = 1$$

- Given the previous considerations, a generic causal allpass filter is:

$$H_{ap}(z) = z^{-K} e^{j\phi} \frac{A(z)}{\tilde{A}(z)}, \quad K \geq 0$$

where

ritardo il den poiché voglio un sist causale.

Non influisce nel modulo

$$A(z) = 1 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2} + \dots + a_N z^{-N}$$

$$\tilde{A}(z) = z^{-N} A^*(z^{-1}) = a_N^* + a_{N-1}^* z^{-1} + \dots + a_2^* z^{2-N} + a_1^* z^{1-N} + z^{-N}$$

# Allpass filters



- Given an allpass filter: invert the order of the coeffs, conjugate them, and add the power of  $z$

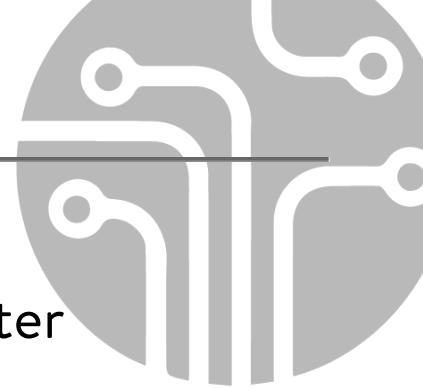
$$H_{ap}(z) = \frac{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2} + \dots + a_N z^{-N}}{a_N^* + a_{N-1}^* z^{-1} + \dots + a_2^* z^{2-N} + a_1^* z^{1-N} + z^{-N}}$$

a general form to represent an **allpass real** valued impulse response is:

$$H_{ap}(z) = c_0 \prod_{k=1}^{M_r} \frac{z^{-1} - d_k}{1 - d_k z^{-1}} \prod_{k=1}^{M_c} \frac{(z^{-1} - e_k)(z^{-1} - e_k^*)}{(1 - e_k^* z^{-1})(1 - e_k z^{-1})}$$

Zeros and poles occur in conjugate reciprocal pairs

# Allpass filter properties



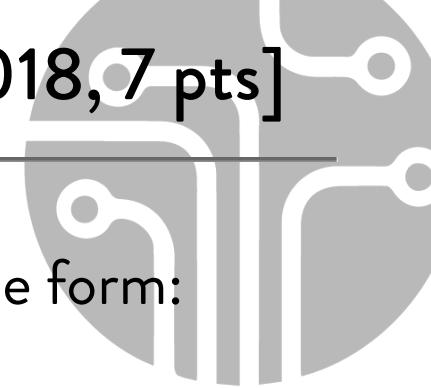
- The cascade of two allpass filters is again an allpass filter
- Each pole of an allpass system is paired with a conjugate reciprocal zero
- The magnitude of many cascaded allpass filters is always the same

un AP serve a cambiare la fase, in base agli zeri !

quando faccio la versione all pass, il polo (che era stabile) diventa uno zero max phase (poichè il suo valore è reciproco del polo). Quindi avrò sempre un max phase dovuto a questa inversione del polo

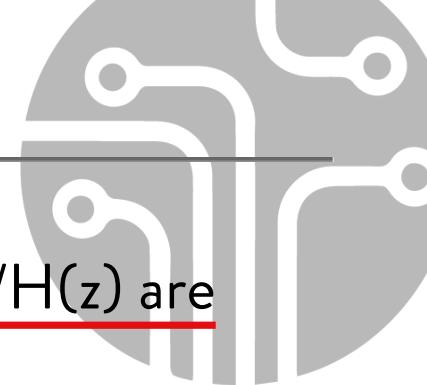
# Es 23: allpass systems [~exam 19/02/2018, 7 pts]

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- Write a MATLAB function ‘allpass.m’ which has the form:  
‘[z, p, b, a]=all\_pass(b,a)’
- Input: b, a = numerator and denominator of  $H(z)$
- Output: z, p, b, a = zeros, poles, numerator, denominator of the allpass transfer function related to  $H(z)$
- Use the function ‘allpass’ to compute the allpass transfer function related to the causal filter  $H(z) = \frac{1 + 3z^{-1}}{1 + 0.5z^{-1}}$
- Plot the magnitude response of the filter vs normalized frequencies using  $N = 512$  samples
- How do you expect the phase to behave?

# Minimum phase filters

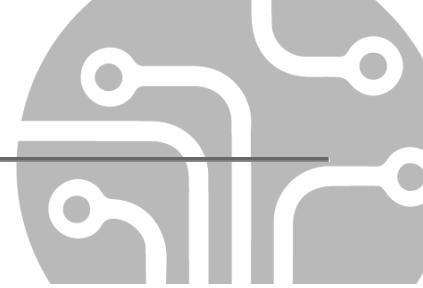


- Minimum phase filters are such that both  $H(z)$  and  $1/H(z)$  are stable and causal

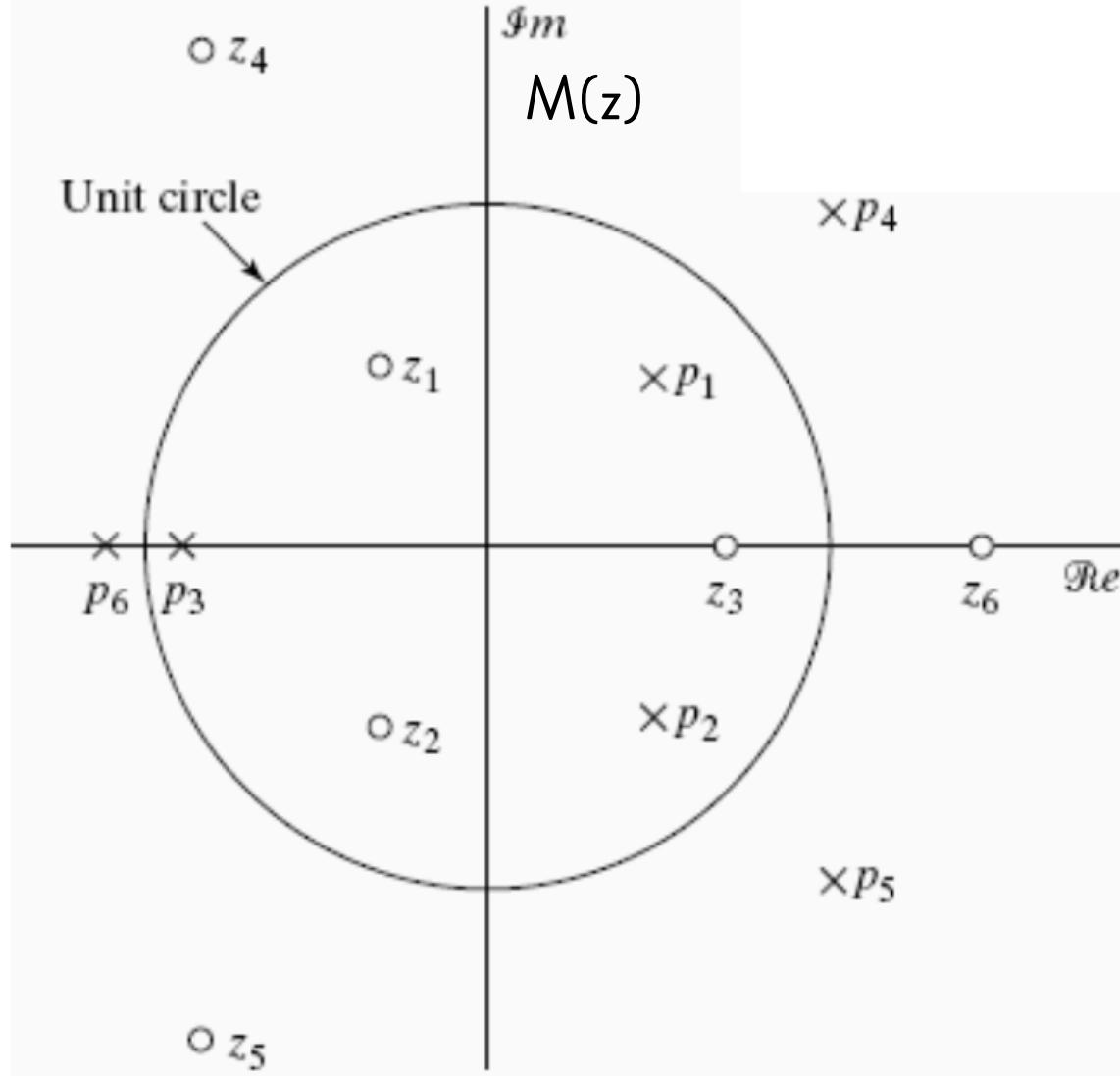


- The poles must be inside the unit circle
- The zeros must be inside the unit circle perchè l'inversa avrà poli = inverso degli zeri
- Given a square magnitude response  $M(z)$ , there is a unique system whose zeros and poles are inside the unit circle and it is called minimum phase system

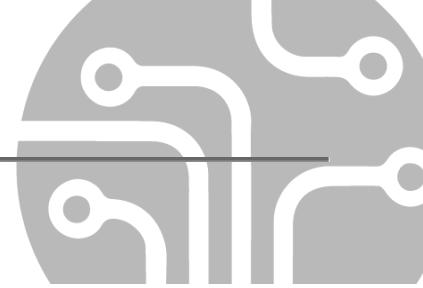
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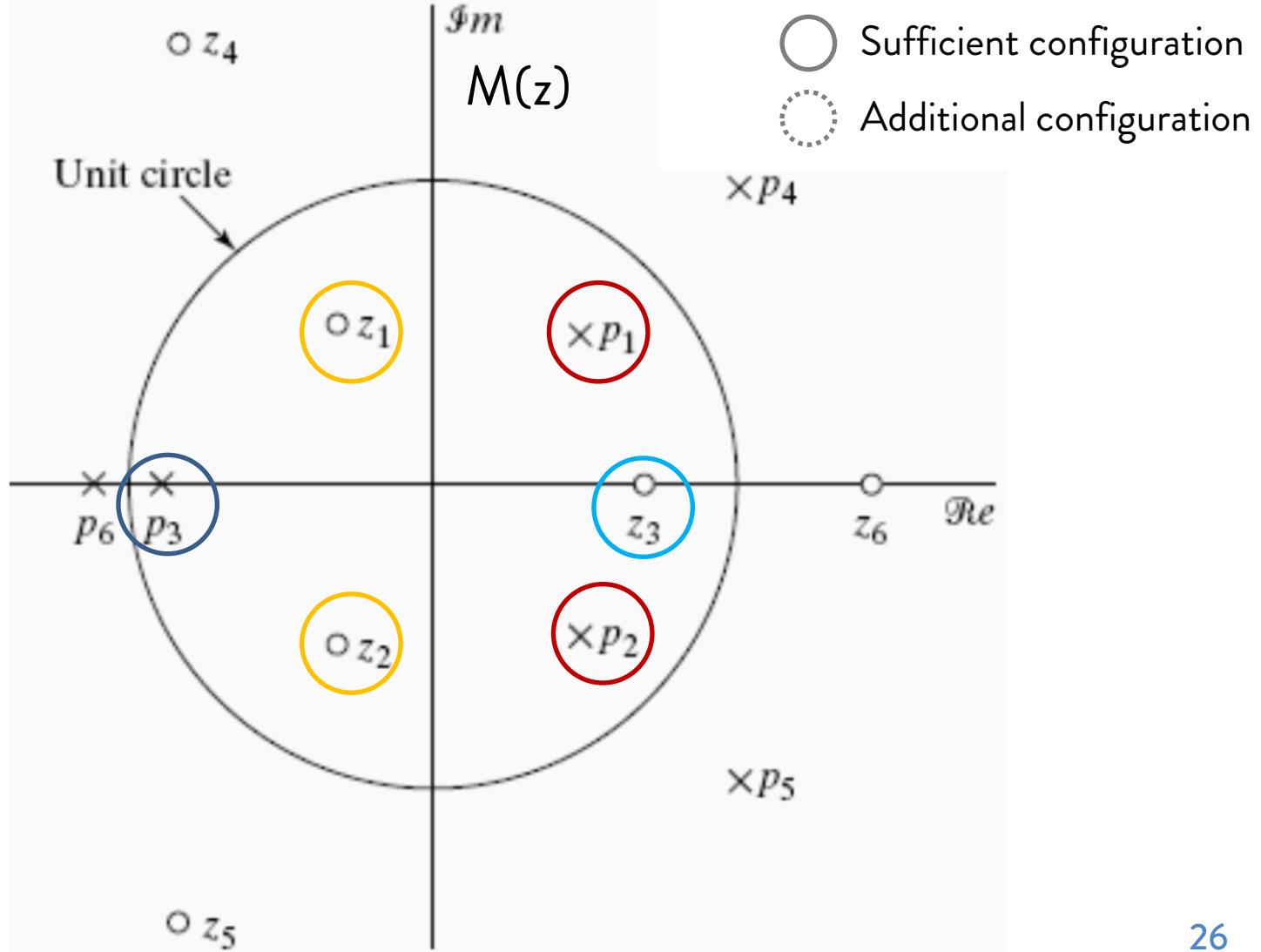
How to get a **minimum phase** system?



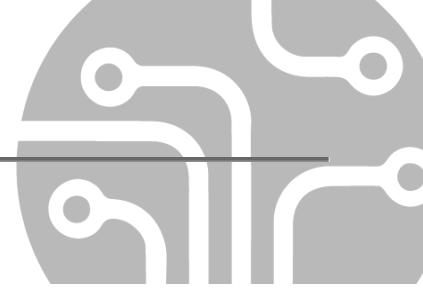
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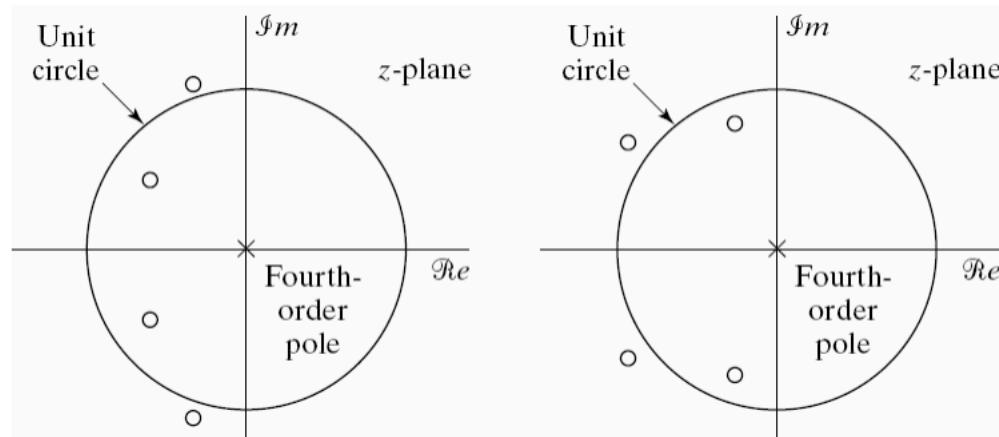
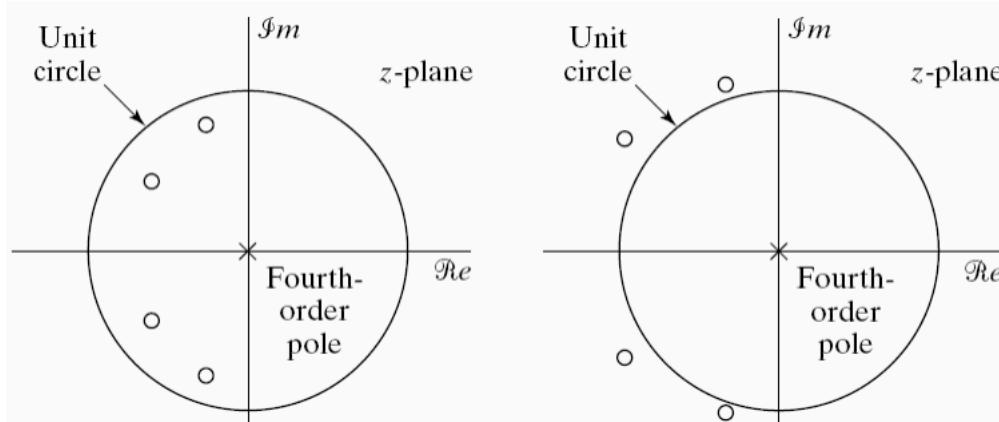


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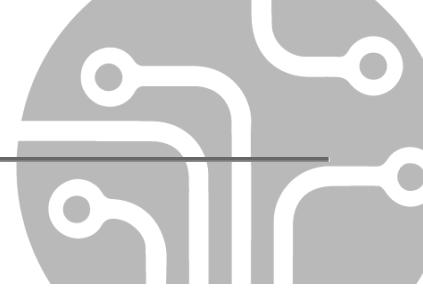


Which is the **minimum phase** system?

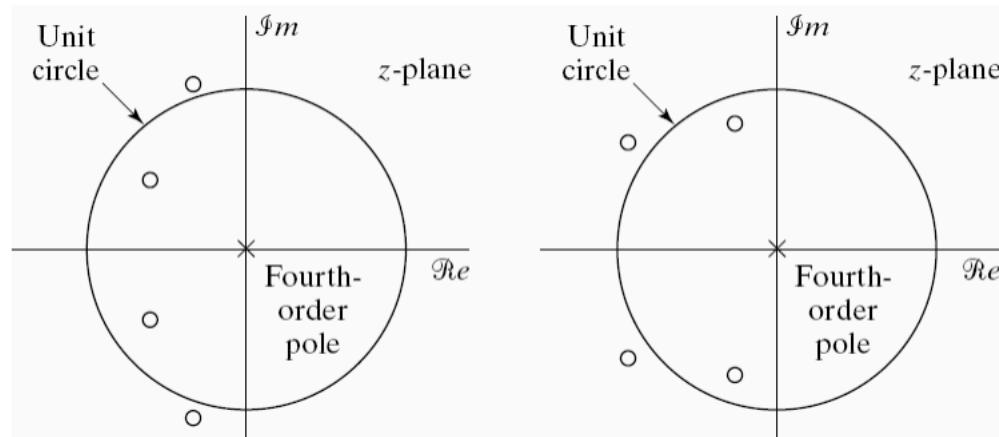
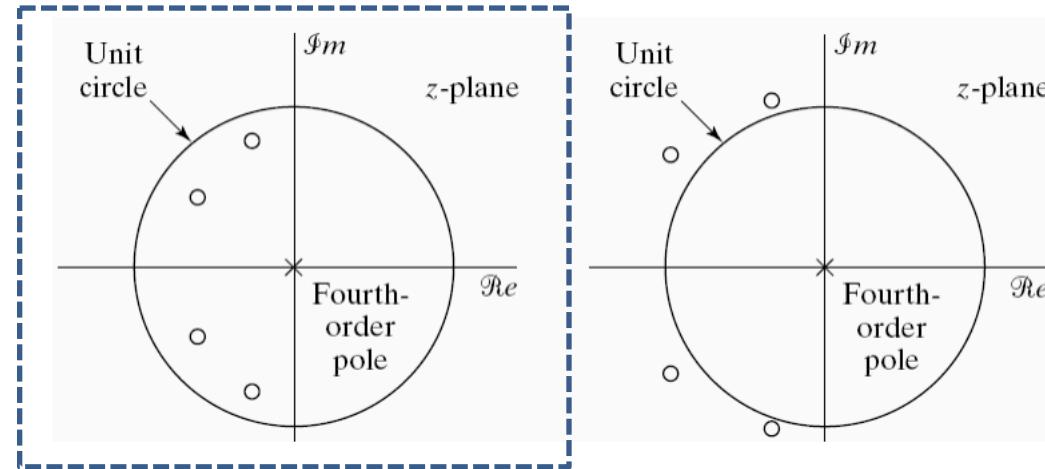
NB 4 filtri differenti, MA STESSA MAGNITUDE RESPONSE  
ho diverse config, ma gli zeri sono in più comb ma conj e reciprocal



# From $M(z)$ to $H(z)$

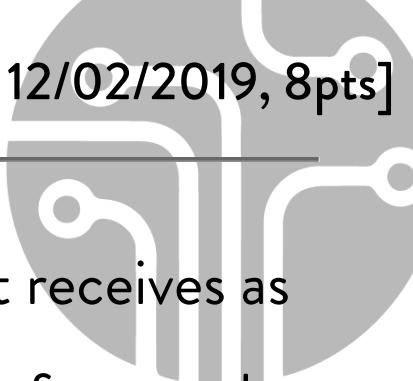


Which is the **minimum phase** system?



# Es 24: minimum phase systems [~exam 12/02/2019, 8pts]

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- Write a MATLAB function ‘typeOfFilter(b, a)’ that receives as input the numerator and denominator coefficients of a causal filter  $H(z)=B(z)/A(z)$  and it returns:
  - -1 if the filter is not stable
  - 1 if the filter is stable and it is minimum phase
  - 0 if the filter is stable but it is not minimum phase
- If you test this function on a FIR filter, which is the output?
- Test the function on

$$H(z) = \frac{1 - 2z^{-1} - 0.5z^{-3} + 0.2z^{-4}}{1 + 0.08z^{-1} + 2z^{-3}}$$

# Properties of Allpass – Minimum phase filters

Any rational system can be decomposed into the multiplication (the cascade) of a minimum phase system and an allpass system

i min phase filter hanno l'energia (nel tempo, quindi IR) conservata intorno allo zero, cioè decreasing veloce

$$H(z) = H_{min}(z)H_{ap}(z)$$



- $H_{min}(z)$  contains:

modifico il modulo      modifico la fase

- the poles and zeros of  $H(z)$  that lie inside the unit circle
- zeros that are conjugate reciprocals of the zeros of  $H(z)$  lying outside the unit circle. , cioè quelli dell'AllPass

- $H_{ap}(z)$  contains:

- all the zeros of  $H(z)$  that lie outside the unit circle
- poles to cancel the conjugate reciprocal zeros inserted in  $H_{min}(z)$



## Es 25: Allpass-minimum phase conversion [~exam 22/07/2019, 4pts]

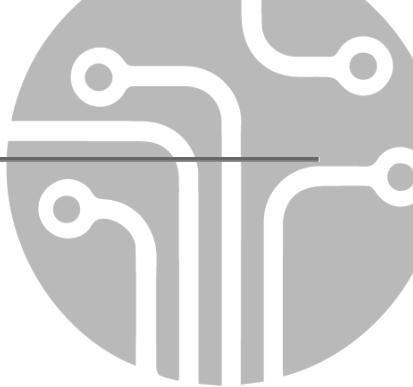
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- Given the filter with  $B(z)=[1, -1.98, 1.77, -0.17, 0.21, 0.34]$ ,  
 $A(z)=[1, 0.08, 0.40 ,0.27]$
- Compute the allpass-minimum phase decomposition of  $H(z)$
- Check the results using ‘zplane’
- Plot the magnitude of  $H_{ap}(f)$  using  $N = 1024$  samples
- Plot the first  $N$  samples of  $h_{\text{min}}(n)$



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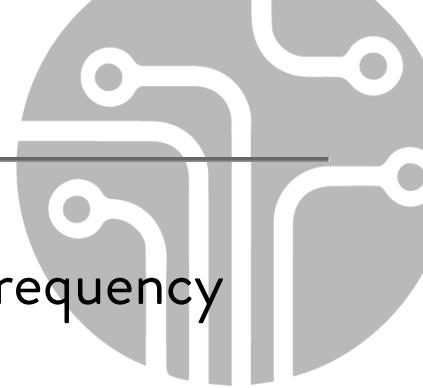
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# Digital filters' design

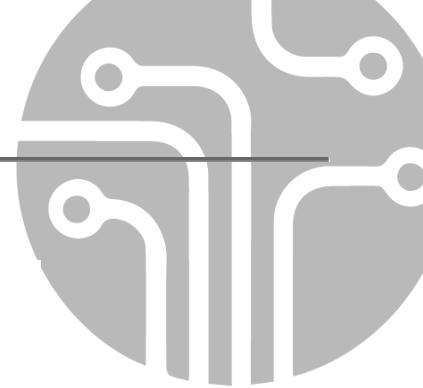
# How to design filters

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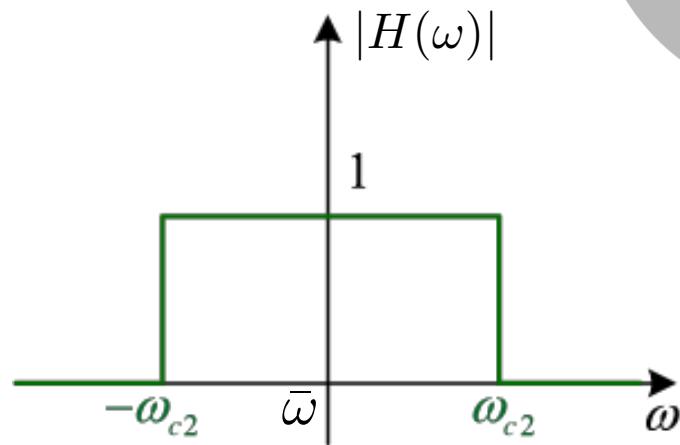
1. Specify always the characteristics of the filter in frequency domain, not in time domain (e.g., lowpass, highpass, bandpass..)
2. Approximate these properties using a discrete-time system  
→ find the filter coefficients
3. Realize the system using finite precision arithmetic

# Ideal filter



Ideal filter:

- low-pass if  $\bar{\omega} = 0$
- band-pass if  $0 < \bar{\omega} < \pi$
- high-pass if  $\bar{\omega} = \pi$

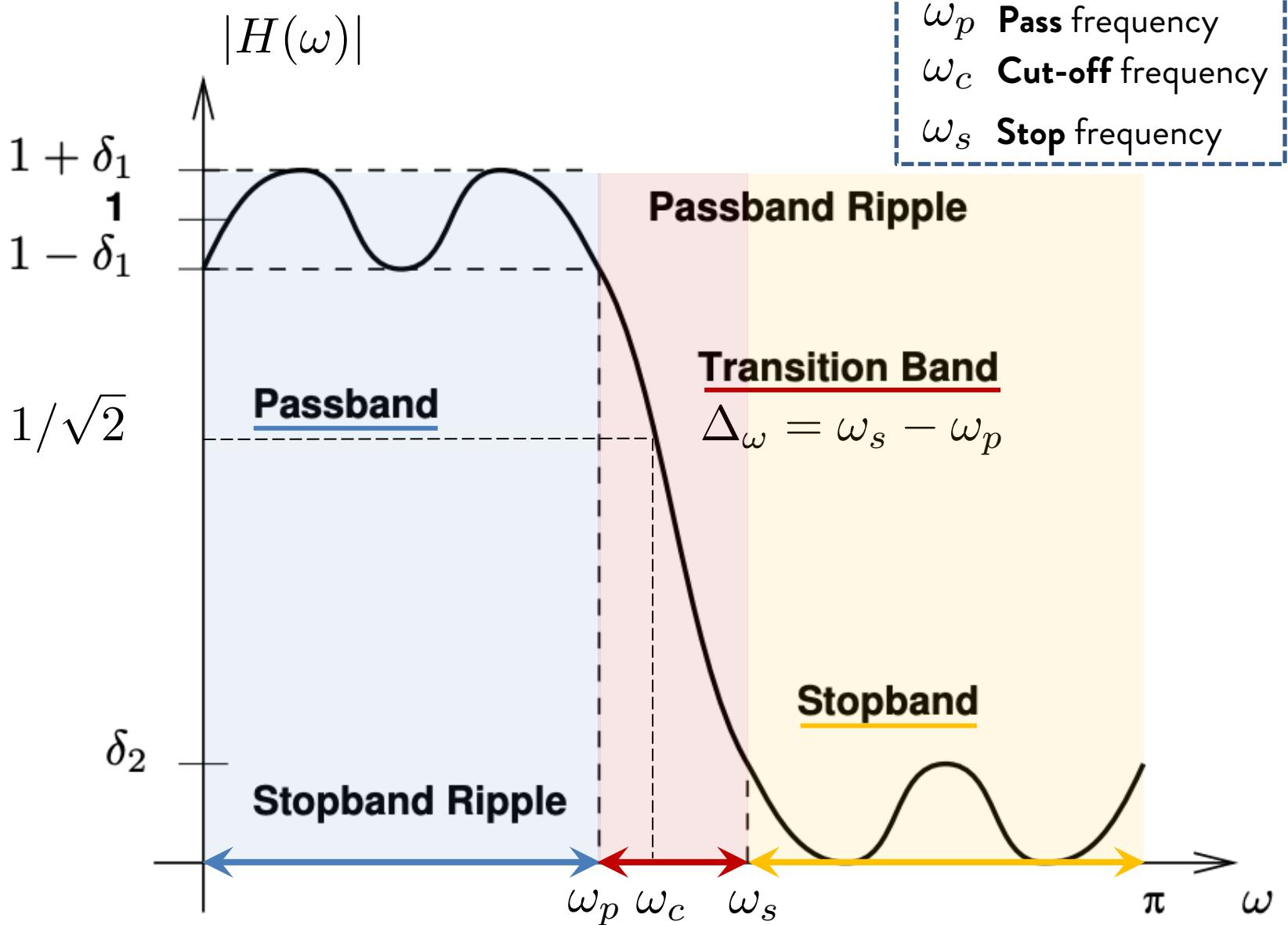


The impulse response of this filter is  $\approx$  the sinc function.

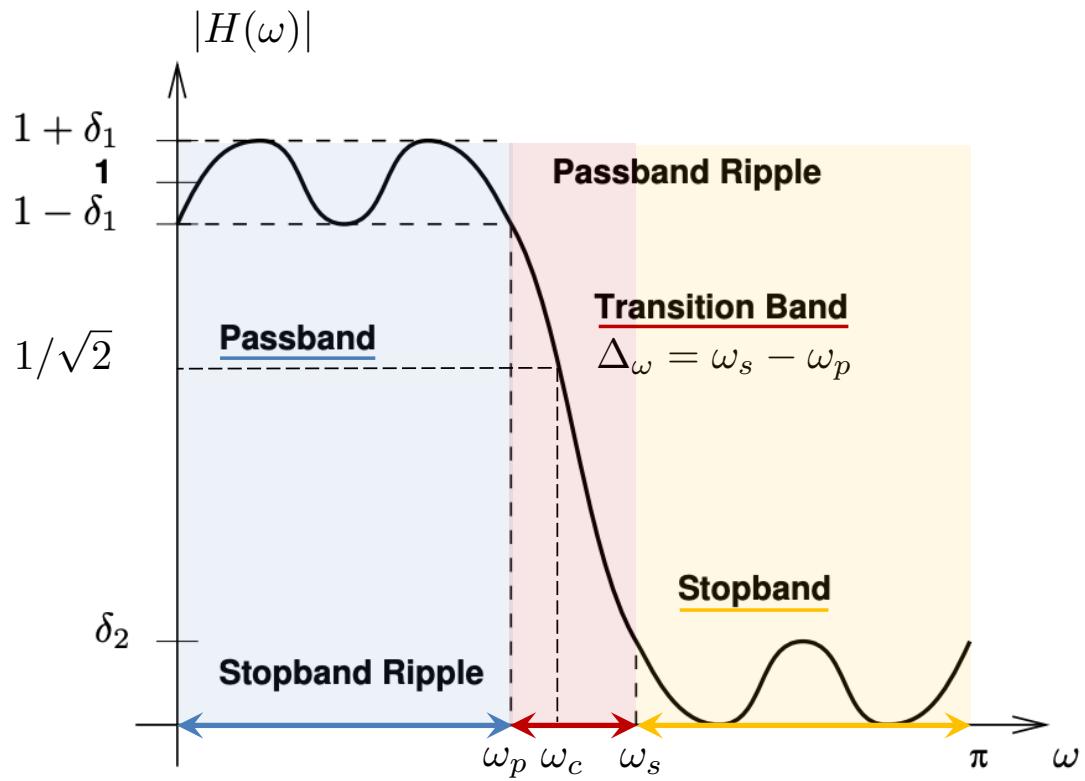
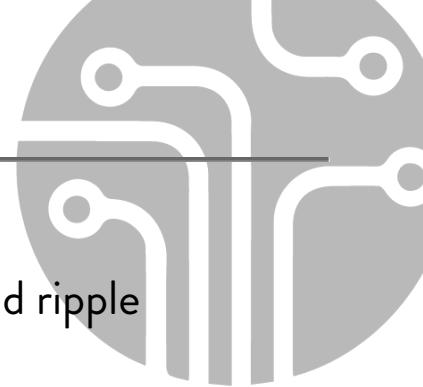
It is non-causal with an infinite delay →

Real systems can only approximate it

# Real filters



# Real filters



$\delta_1$  Peak passband ripple

$1 - \delta_1$  Minimum passband gain

$$1 - \delta_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \varepsilon^2}}$$

$\delta_2$  Peak stopband ripple

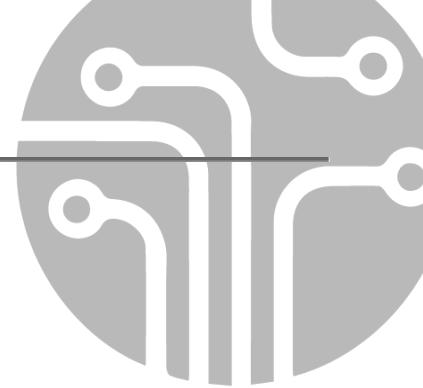
$\frac{1}{\delta_2}$  Minimum stopband attenuation

$\omega_c$  3dB or cut-off frequency

Towards ideal filters:

- Peak ripple  $\rightarrow 0$
- Transition band  $\rightarrow 0$

# IIR vs FIR filters



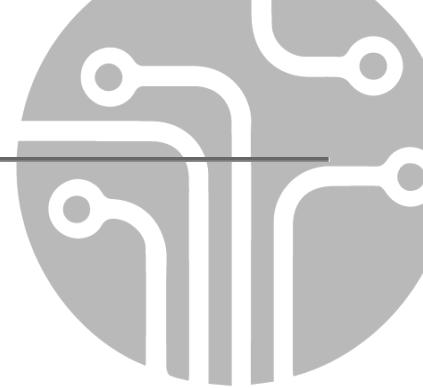
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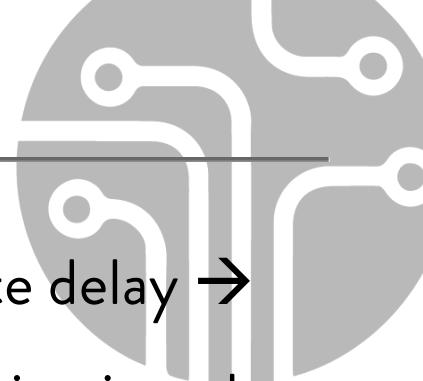
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We saw IIR design with poles&zeros

*How to design FIR filters?*

# FIR filter design: windowing method



The ideal filter has an infinite time duration and infinite delay →

Idea: obtain a FIR filter by truncating an infinite duration impulse response

- Given an ideal  $h_i(n)$ , build  $h(n) = h_i(n)w(n)$
- $w(n)$  is a finite duration window
  - in frequency domain, product becomes convolution
- $H(f)$  is a blurred version of the ideal filter  $H_i(f)$

# FIR filter design: windowing method

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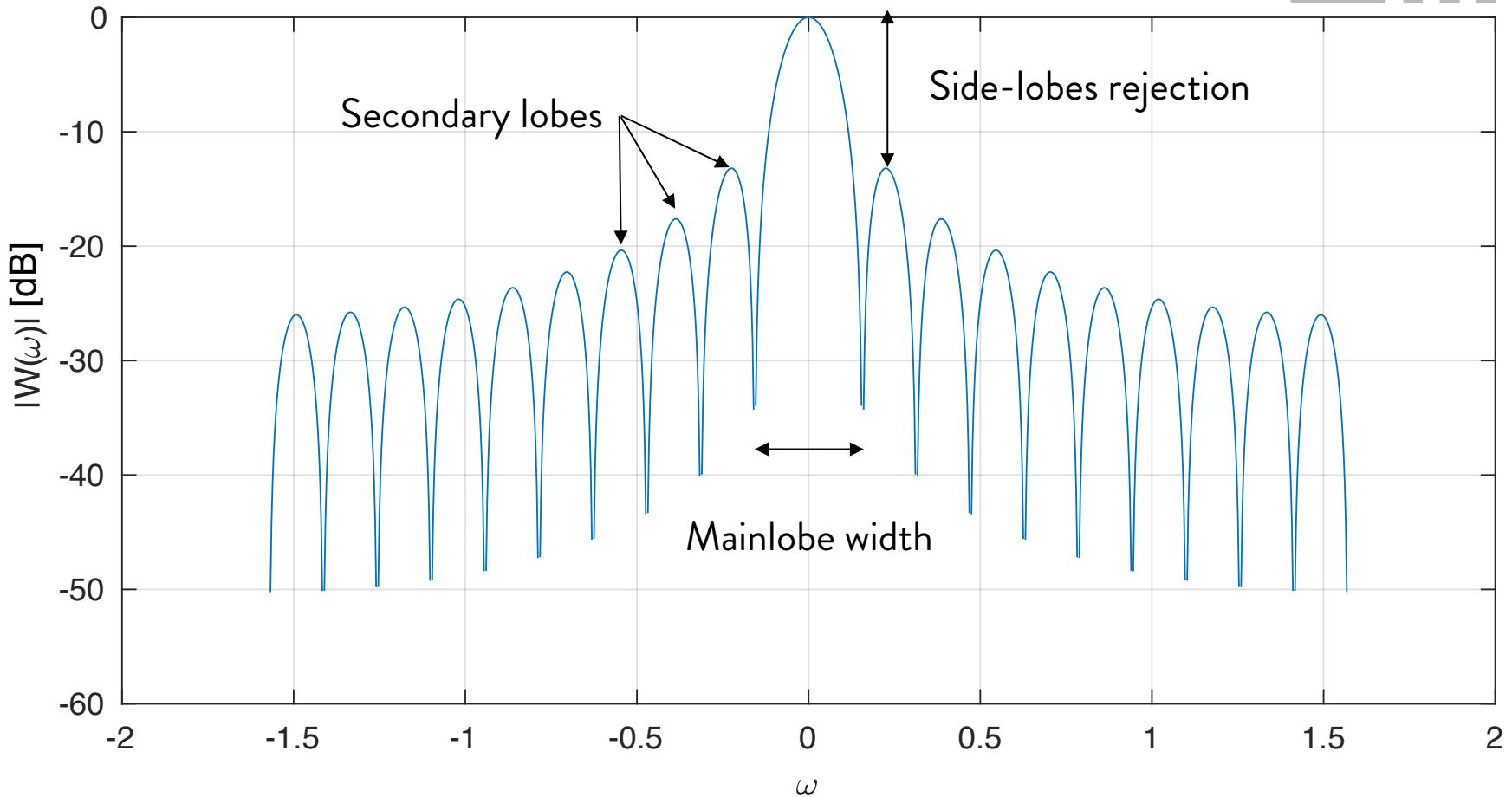
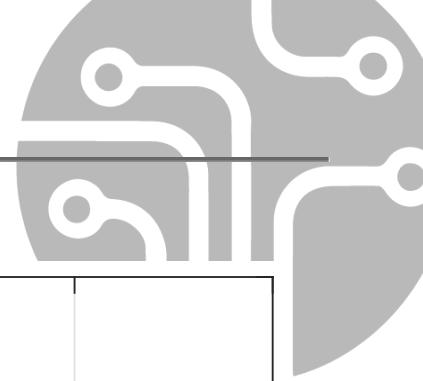


Even though these requirements conflict each other, a good window is defined as the one introducing the minimum distortion.

→  $W(f)$  should look like a  $\delta(f)$ :

- its energy must be concentrated around  $f = 0$
- $W(f)$  should decay fast as frequency increases

# FIR filter design: windowing method



# FIR filter design: windowing method



Every window is characterized by:

- Main-lobe width: it decreases as the window length increases
- Side-lobes rejection: ratio between the main-lobe peak and 1° secondary lobe peak [dB]
- Side-lobes roll off: asymptotic decay of the side-lobe peaks vs frequency octave [dB/octave] or frequency decade [dB/decade]

Examples of windows:

- Rectangular → ‘rectwin’ in MATLAB
- Hanning → ‘hann’ in MATLAB
- Hamming → ‘hamming’ in MATLAB
- Blackman → ‘blackman’ in MATLAB and many others...

# Window design in MATLAB

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- You can use the function ‘window’ to design windows:  
 $w = \text{window}(@\text{window\_name}, N_{\text{samples}})$
- Otherwise, you can call specific functions named as the window, for instance:
  - $\text{rect\_w} = \text{rectwin}(N_{\text{samples}})$
  - $\text{hamming\_w} = \text{hamming}(N_{\text{samples}})$
  - $\text{hann\_w} = \text{hann}(N_{\text{samples}})$
  - ...

# FIR design in MATLAB

ORDINE DEL FILTRO = NUMERO SAMPLES -1  
SOLO IN QUESTO COMANDO ho  
range di 'freq' da 0 a 1



Use the function 'fir1' to implement window-based FIR filter design

`h = fir1(filter_order,cut-off,filter_type,window_type(filter_order+1))`

NB:

only on matlab ( aka decay 1/2 of power instead of 1/sqrt(2))

- cut-off parameter sets the 6dB point (when  $H(f)$  is 6dB lower than the maximum peak)
- cut-off for MATLAB is between 0 and 1, but 1 corresponds to half the sampling frequency! e cioè 0,5, aka PI

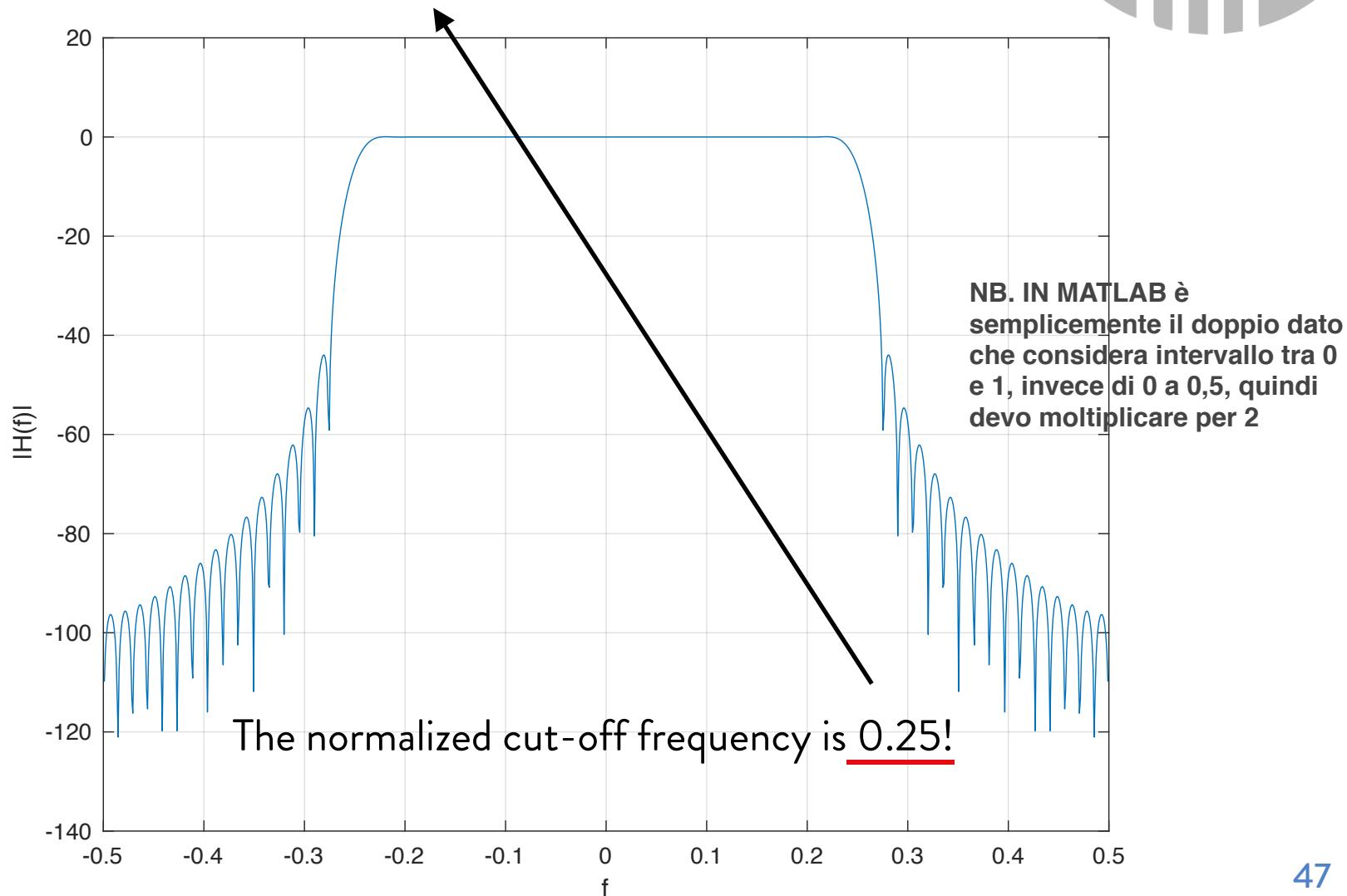
Cut-off = 1  $\leftrightarrow$  normalized frequency = 0.5

- The filter order corresponds to the number of samples - 1

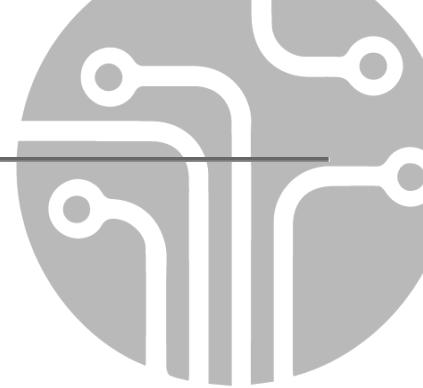
# FIR design in MATLAB:fir1



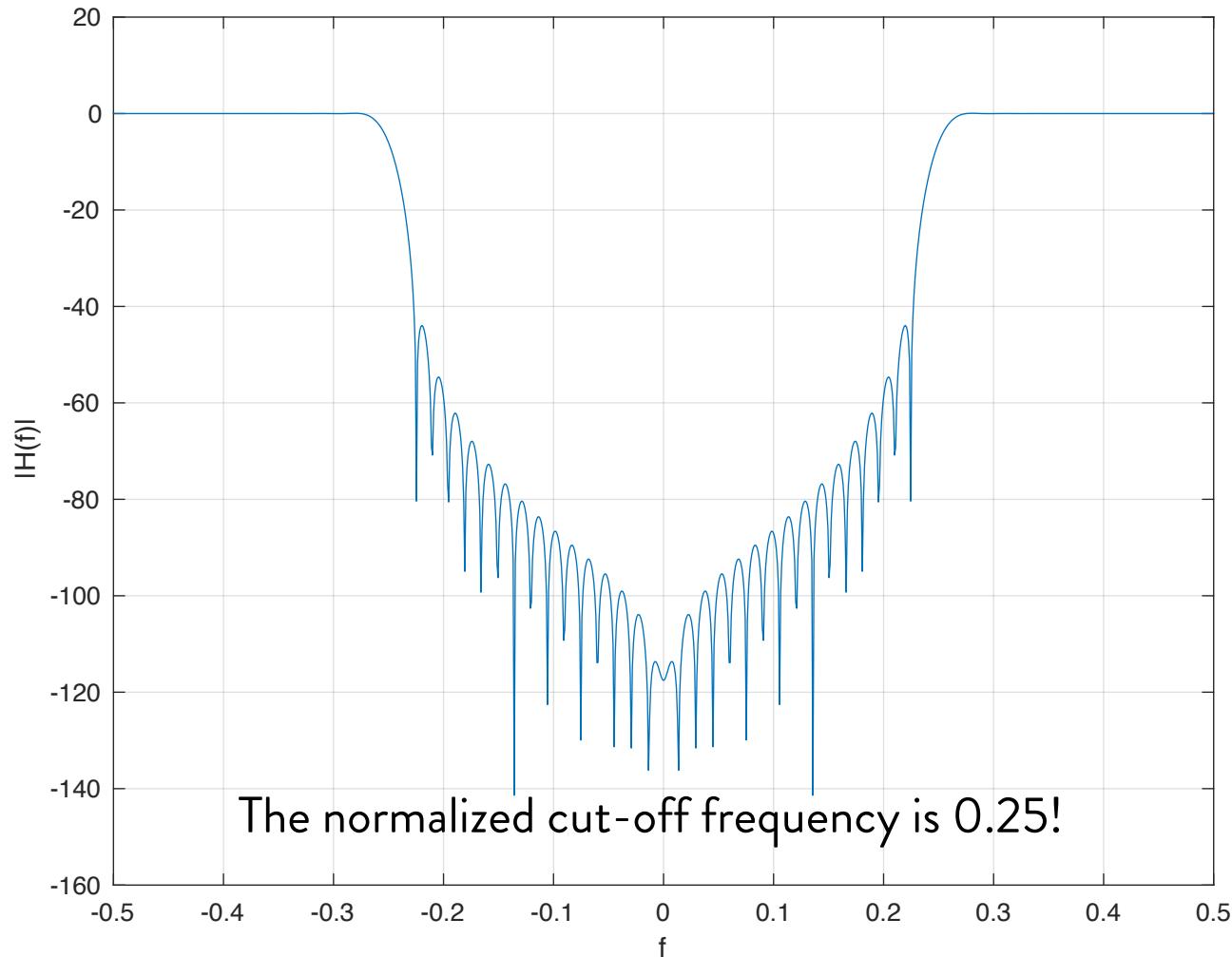
Low-pass: ' $h = \text{fir1}(66, 0.5, \text{hann}(67))$ '



# FIR design in MATLAB:fir1



High-pass: 'h = fir1(66, 0.5, 'high', hann(67))'

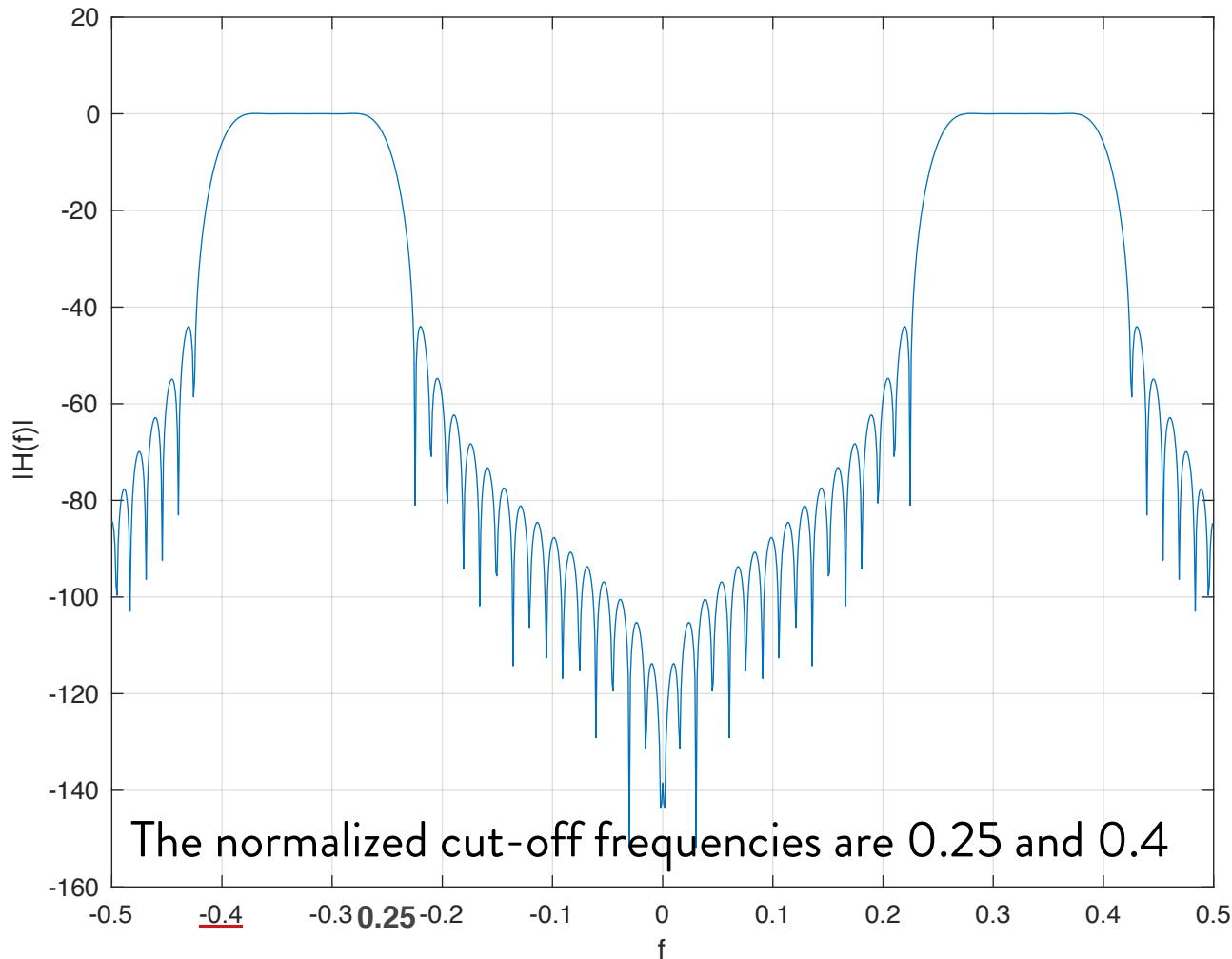


# FIR design in MATLAB:fir1

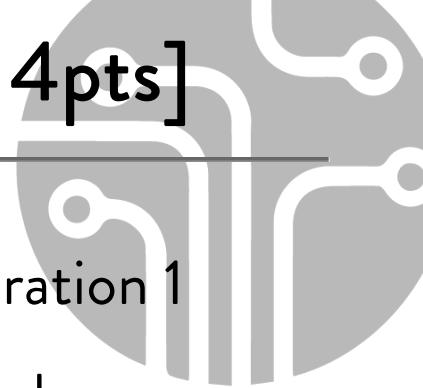


double cut off

Band-pass: 'h = fir1(66, [0.5, 0.8], hann(67))



# Es 26: windowing [~exam 10/09/2019, 4pts]



- Given  $x$  as a cosine wave sampled at  $F_s = 8\text{KHz}$ , duration 1 second, amplitude 1.5, frequency 1.1KHz, phase 45 deg.
- Plot the sinusoid vs time
- Compute  $y$  as  $x$  filtered with a low-pass filter with normalized cut-off frequency of 0.4 and 64 weights
- Apply a Hanning window to select the first 512 samples of  $y$
- Plot the magnitude of the DFT of the windowed  $y$  versus frequency in Hz.
- If you change the cut-off frequency to 0.05, what do you expect to see in the spectrum of  $y$ ?