

Discrete-time systems  
Frequency response  
Discrete-Time Fourier transform  
Digital Signal Processing with a focus on audio signals

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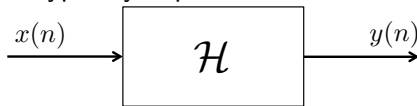


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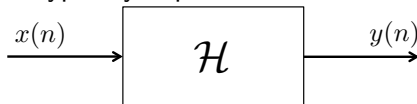


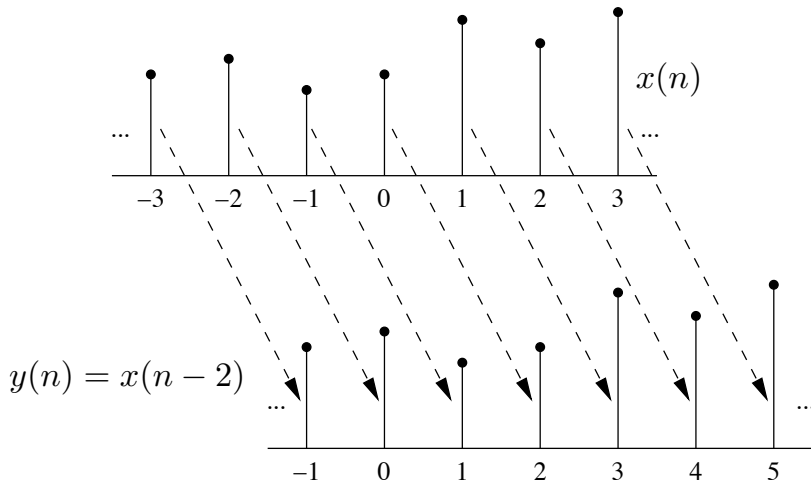
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- ▶ We will see that, depending on the properties of  $\mathcal{H}\{\cdot\}$ , the system can be classified in several ways
  - ▶ memoryless / with memory
  - ▶ linear / non-linear
  - ▶ time invariant / time variant
  - ▶ causal / non-causal

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**Example: ideal delay.** Shift the input sequence later by  $n_d$  samples.

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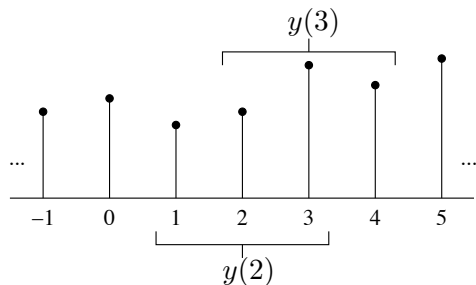
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Considering  $M_1 = M_2 = 1$ , we get



$$\begin{aligned} y(2) &= \frac{1}{3} [x(1) + x(2) + x(3)] \\ y(3) &= \frac{1}{3} [x(2) + x(3) + x(4)] \end{aligned}$$

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## Memoryless systems

- ▶ A system is **memoryless** if the output  $y(n)$  depends only on  $x(n)$  at the same  $n$ .

- ▶ Example:

$$y(n) = [x(n)]^2$$

- ▶ The ideal delay  $y(n) = x(n - n_d)$  is not memoryless, unless  $n_d = 0$



# Linearity

- ▶ A system is **linear** if the superposition principle applies.
- ▶ Provided that

$$y_1(n) = \mathcal{H} \{x_1(n)\} \quad \text{and} \quad y_2(n) = \mathcal{H} \{x_2(n)\}$$

linearity implies:

- ▶ additivity:  $\mathcal{H} \{x_1(n) + x_2(n)\} = \mathcal{H} \{x_1(n)\} + \mathcal{H} \{x_2(n)\}$
- ▶ scaling:  $\mathcal{H} \{ax_1(n)\} = a\mathcal{H} \{x_1(n)\}$

## Linearity: principle of superposition

- ▶ The two properties combine to form the **principle of superposition**:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}\{ax_1(n) + bx_2(n)\} &= a\mathcal{H}\{x_1(n)\} + b\mathcal{H}\{x_2(n)\} \\ &= ay_1(n) + by_2(n)\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ the terms  $a$  and  $b$  are arbitrary constants
- ▶ the superposition principle can be generalized to many inputs:

$$x(n) = \sum_k a_k x_k(n) \quad \rightarrow \quad y(n) = \mathcal{H}\{x(n)\} = \sum_k a_k y_k(n)$$

# Time invariance

- ▶ A system is **time invariant** if a time shift, or delay, of the input sequence causes a corresponding shift in the output sequence.
- ▶ In formulas, a system  $\mathcal{H}$  is time invariant when

$$y(n - n_0) = \mathcal{H} \{x(n - n_0)\}$$

- ▶ the ideal delay  $y(n) = x(n - n_d)$  is a time invariant system
- ▶ the system  $y(n) = x(Mn)$  is not time invariant (with  $M$  integer, it extracts a sample from the input sequence every  $M$  samples)

# Causality

- ▶ A system is **causal** if the output at  $n$  depends only on the input at  $n$  and earlier inputs.
- ▶ Formal definition: a system is causal if and only if, for each pair of sequences  $x_1(n) = x_2(n) \quad \forall n < n_0$ , then:

$$\mathcal{H}\{x_1(n)\} = \mathcal{H}\{x_2(n)\} \quad \forall n < n_0$$

- ▶ Causal system example:  $y(n) = x(n) - x(n-1)$
- ▶ Non-causal system example:  $y(n) = x(n+1) - x(n-1)$
- ▶ Remark: non-causal system can't be implemented in real time. Anyway, off-line processing is always possible, i.e. non-causal systems are realizable.

## Stability

- ▶ A system is **stable** if every bounded input sequence produces a bounded output sequence
  - ▶ bounded input:  $|x(n)| \leq B_x < \infty, \forall n$
  - ▶ bounded output:  $|y(n)| \leq B_y < \infty, \forall n$
- ▶ For instance, the accumulator

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n x(k)$$

is an example of *unbounded* system, since its response to the unit step  $u(n)$  is

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n x(k) = \begin{cases} 0 & n < 0 \\ n + 1 & n \geq 0, \end{cases}$$

which has no finite upper bound.

## Linear time-invariant systems

- ▶ If the linearity property is combined with the representation of a general sequence as a linear combination of delayed impulses, then it follows that a linear time-invariant (LTI) system can be completely characterized by its impulse response.
- ▶ Consider an LTI system  $\mathcal{H}$ . We know that  $x(n)$  can be expressed as

$$x(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)\delta(n-k)$$

- ▶ Thus, we can compute its output as

$$\begin{aligned} y(n) &= \mathcal{H} \left\{ \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)\delta(n-k) \right\} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{H} \{x(k)\delta(n-k)\} \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)\mathcal{H} \{\delta(n-k)\} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)h_k(n) \end{aligned}$$

## Linear time-invariant systems

- ▶ We obtained

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)h_k(n) ,$$

where the term  $h_k(n)$  is the response of the system to an impulse at  $n = k$

- ▶ Let us define  $h(n) \triangleq \mathcal{H} \{ \delta(n) \}$
- ▶ For the time invariance, we must have  $\mathcal{H} \{ \delta(n - k) \} = h(n - k)$ , thus

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)h(n - k) = x(n) * h(n)$$

- ▶ The last equation is known as **discrete-time convolution**, and  $h(n)$  is the impulse response of the LTI system

# Discrete-time convolution

- ▶ The above equation tells that any LTI system is fully characterized by its unit impulse response  $h(n)$
- ▶ Interpretation 1: the input sample at  $n = k$ , represented by  $x(k)\delta(n - k)$ , is transformed by the system into an output sequence  $x(k)h(n - k)$ :

- ▶ **Input** sequence:

$$x(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)\delta(n - k)$$

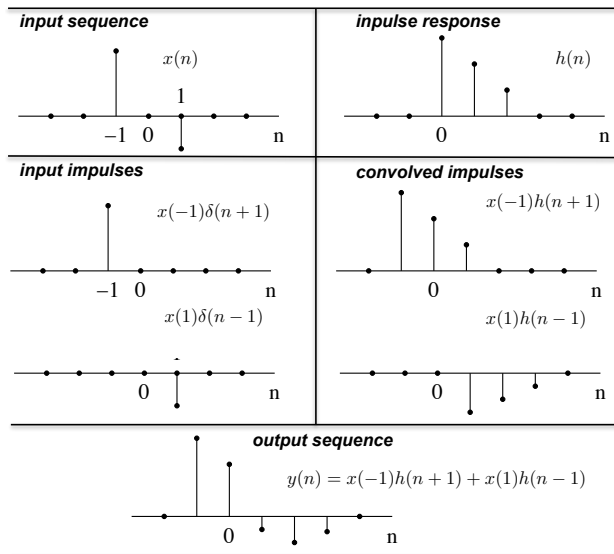
- ▶ **Output** sequence:

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)h(n - k)$$

- ▶ For each  $k$ , these sequences are superimposed to yield the overall output sequence



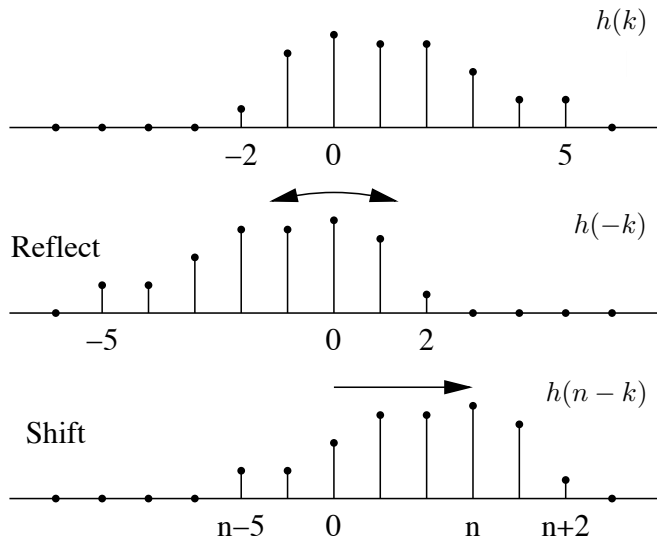
# Discrete-time convolution: example 1



## Discrete-time convolution

- ▶ Interpretation 2: the sample  $y(n)$  is obtained by multiplying the input sequence (expressed as a function of  $k$ ) by the sequence with values  $h(n - k)$ , and then summing the results of all the products
- ▶ The key point is how to form the sequence  $h(n - k)$  for all values  $n$  of interest:
  - ▶ Note that  $h(n - k) = h(-(k - n))$ . Thus, the sequence  $h(-k)$  is seen to be equivalent to  $h(k)$  reflected around the origin
  - ▶ Then,  $h(n - k)$  is obtained by shifting the origin of the sequence to  $k = n$
- ▶ To summarize, the sequences  $x(k)$  and  $h(n - k)$  are multiplied together for  $-\infty < k < \infty$ , and the products summed to obtain the value of output sample  $y(n)$ . To obtain another output sample, the procedure is repeated with the origin shifted to the new sample position, and so on.

## Discrete-time convolution: example 2



## Example: analytical evaluation of the convolution sum (1)

- ▶ System impulse response:

$$h(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq n \leq N - 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

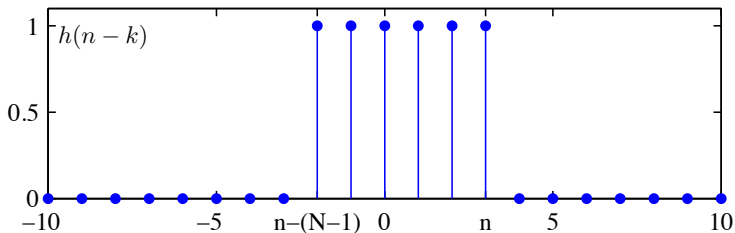
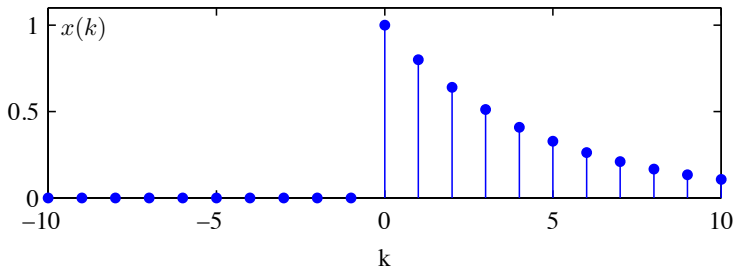
- ▶ Input sequence:

$$x(n) = a^n u(n) ,$$

$u(n)$  being the unit step sequence.

## Example: analytical evaluation of the convolution sum (2)

- To find the output at  $n$ , we must form the sum over all  $k$  of the product  $x(k)h(n-k)$



## Example: analytical evaluation of the convolution sum (3)

- ▶ Since the sequences are non-overlapping for all negative  $n$ , the output must be zero:

$$y(n) = 0, \quad n < 0$$

- ▶ For  $0 \leq n \leq N - 1$ , the product terms in the sum are  $x(k)h(n - k) = a^k$ , so it follows that

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n a^k, \quad 0 \leq n \leq N - 1$$

- ▶ Finally, for  $n > N - 1$ , the product terms are  $x(k)h(n - k) = a^k$  as before, but the lower limit of the summation is now  $n - N + 1$ . Therefore

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=n-N+1}^n a^k, \quad n > N - 1$$

# Properties of LTI systems

Some properties of LTI systems can be found considering the properties of the discrete convolution:

- ▶ **Commutative** (easy to prove replacing the summation index as  $l = n - k$ ):

$$x(n) * h(n) = h(n) * x(n)$$

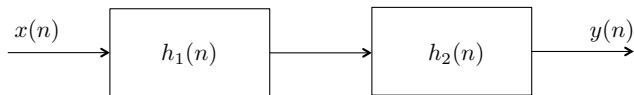
- ▶ **Distributive** over addition:

$$x(n) * [h_1(n) + h_2(n)] = x(n) * h_1(n) + x(n) * h_2(n)$$

## Combination of LTI systems

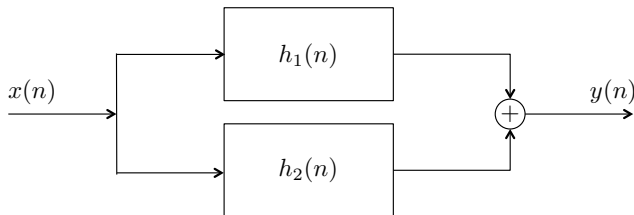
It directly follows that LTI systems can be easily combined in two ways:

► **Cascade connection:**



$$y(n) = x(n) * h_1(n) * h_2(n) = x(n) * h_C(n)$$

► **Parallel connection:**



$$y(n) = [h_1(n) + h_2(n)] * x(n) = x(n) * h_P(n)$$



# Stability of LTI systems

- ▶ A sufficient condition for a LTI system to be bounded-input bounded-output (BIBO) stable is

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h(n)| < \infty$$

- ▶ Examples of stable systems:
  - ▶ Ideal delay  $h(n) = \delta(n - n_d)$
  - ▶ Backward difference  $h(n) = \delta(n) - \delta(n - 1)$
  - ▶ Forward difference  $h(n) = \delta(n + 1) - \delta(n)$
  - ▶ Moving average

# Causality of LTI systems

- ▶ A LTI system with impulse response  $h(n)$  is causal if and only if

$$h(n) = 0 \quad \forall n < 0$$

- ▶ Examples:

- ▶ The ideal delay  $h(n) = \delta(n - n_d)$  is causal if  $n_d \geq 0$
- ▶ Backward difference  $h(n) = \delta(n) - \delta(n - 1)$  is causal
- ▶ Forward difference  $h(n) = \delta(n + 1) - \delta(n)$  is non-causal

## Linear constant coefficient difference equations

- ▶ Discrete time-invariant systems are often represented in terms of discrete difference equations

- ▶ A convenient representation is the **advance operator form**:

$$a_N y(n+N) + a_{N-1} y(n+N-1) + \cdots + a_1 y(n+1) + a_0 y(n) = \\ b_M x(n+M) + b_{M-1} x(n+M-1) + \cdots + b_1 x(n+1) + b_0 x(n)$$

- ▶ it is evident how the **causality condition** is  $M \leq N$
- ▶ For a general causal system with  $M = N$  we have

$$a_N y(n+N) + a_{N-1} y(n+N-1) + \cdots + a_1 y(n+1) + a_0 y(n) = \\ b_N x(n+N) + b_{N-1} x(n+N-1) + \cdots + b_1 x(n+1) + b_0 x(n)$$

- ▶ The difference equation has an infinite number of solutions  $y(n)$  (like the solutions of continuous differential equations).

## Linear constant coefficient difference equations (cont')

- ▶ In case  $M = N$ , we can replace  $n$  by  $n - N$  (safe operation, as the system is time-invariant), thus obtaining the **delay operator form**:

$$a_N y(n) + a_{N-1} y(n-1) + \cdots + a_1 y(n-N+1) + a_0 y(n-N) = \\ b_N x(n) + b_{N-1} x(n-1) + \cdots + b_1 x(n-N+1) + b_0 x(n-N)$$

- ▶ Example: the accumulator system

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n x(k)$$

can be rewritten as

$$y(n) = x(n) + y(n-1) \quad \rightarrow \quad y(n) - y(n-1) - x(n) = 0 .$$

# Iterative solution of difference equations

- ▶ From the delay operator form, assuming  $a_N = 1$ , we readily obtain

$$y(n) = -a_{N-1}y(n-1) - a_{N-2}y(n-2) - \cdots - a_0y(n-N) \\ + b_Nx(n) + b_{N-1}x(n-1) + \cdots + b_0x(n-N)$$

- ▶ To solve it, one needs to know:
  - ▶ the past  $N$  values of the output  $y(n-k)$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, N$
  - ▶ the past  $N$  values of the input  $x(n-k)$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, N$
  - ▶ the current value of the input  $x(n)$
- ▶ In other words, beyond the current input  $x(n)$ , we need  $N$  initial conditions on the input and  $N$  on the output

## Iterative solution of difference equations (cont)

- ▶ If the input is causal, then

$$x(-1) = x(-2) = \dots = x(-N) = 0$$

thus we need only  $N$  initial conditions on the output, namely the values

$$y(-1), y(-2), \dots, y(-N)$$

- ▶ To summarize:
  1. start finding  $y(0)$ : the right-hand side contains terms  $y(-1), \dots, y(-N)$  and no input terms
  2. using the  $N$  initial conditions  $y(-1), \dots, y(-N)$ , solve iteratively for  $y(0), y(1), y(2)$  and so on

## Recursive equations

- ▶ Difference equations can be rewritten, without loss of generality, considering that  $a_0 = 1$ , yielding

$$y(n) = - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i y(n-i) + \sum_{l=0}^M b_l x(n-l)$$

- ▶ The output signal is thus dependent on both the samples of the input  $x(n), x(n-1), \dots, x(n-M)$  and on previous sample of the output  $y(n-1), \dots, y(n-N)$
- ▶ In this general case, we say that the system is *recursive*, as we need past samples of the output itself

## Finite-duration impulse response

- ▶ When  $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_N = 0$  the system is called non-recursive:

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x(n-k)$$

- ▶ It corresponds to a system with impulse response  $h(k) = b_k$  for  $0 \leq k \leq M$
- ▶ This implies that this system has a finite-duration impulse response
- ▶ Such systems are often referred to as **finite-duration impulse response (FIR)** filters



## Infinite-duration impulse response

- ▶ In contrast, when the system is recursive, the impulse response might not be zero when  $n \rightarrow \infty$
- ▶ Therefore, recursive digital systems are often referred to as **infinite-duration impulse response** (IIR) filters

## Frequency response

- ▶ Discrete LTI systems are often represented by means of their **frequency response**
- ▶ The frequency response can be evaluated considering the output of a system  $h(n)$  when it is excited by a complex sinusoid:

- ▶ input sequence:

$$x(n) = e^{j\omega n}$$

- ▶ output sequence:

$$\begin{aligned} y(n) &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(k)x(n-k) \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(k)e^{j\omega(n-k)} \\ &= e^{j\omega n} \left[ \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(k)e^{-j\omega k} \right] \end{aligned}$$

## Frequency response

- ▶ The output sequence is thus a complex sinusoid with the same frequency  $\omega$ , multiplied by the complex factor in the brackets
- ▶ We thus define the frequency response of the system  $h(n)$  as

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(k)e^{-j\omega k}$$

- ▶ Since it is a complex number, it can be expressed in polar form as

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

- ▶ It follows that the output sequence has the form

$$y(n) = H(e^{j\omega})e^{j\omega n} = |H(e^{j\omega})|e^{j\omega n + j\Theta(\omega)}$$

# Magnitude and phase responses

- ▶ The effect of a LTI system characterized by  $H(e^{j\omega})$  on a complex sinusoid is to multiply its amplitude by  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$  and to add  $\Theta(\omega)$  to its phase
- ▶ For this reason, the two terms are referred to as:
  - ▶  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$ : **magnitude response**
  - ▶  $\Theta(\omega)$ : **phase response**

## Example: frequency response of the ideal delay

- ▶ Consider the ideal delay system  $h(n) = \delta(n - n_d)$
- ▶ By definition, the frequency response is given by

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(k - n_d) e^{-j\omega k} = e^{-j\omega n_d}$$

- ▶ Note that we can compute it also by directly considering the output of the system, excited with  $x(n) = e^{j\omega n}$ :

$$y(n) = e^{j\omega(n-n_d)} = e^{-j\omega n_d} e^{j\omega n} = H(e^{j\omega n}) e^{j\omega n}$$

- ▶ The magnitude and phase responses are

$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = 1 \quad , \quad \Theta(\omega) = -\omega n_d$$

## Periodicity of the frequency response

- ▶ The frequency response of a discrete LTI system is *always* periodic in frequency with a period  $2\pi$ :

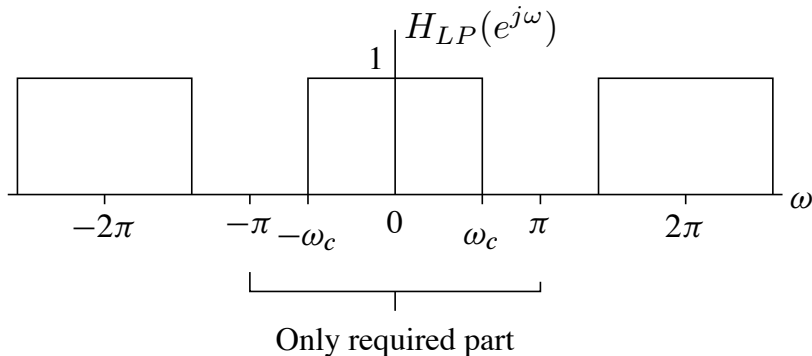
$$\begin{aligned} H(e^{j(\omega+2\pi)}) &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(k)e^{-j(\omega+2\pi)k} \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(k)e^{-j\omega k} e^{-j2\pi k} \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(k)e^{-j\omega k} = H(e^{j\omega}) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ The last passage relies on the fact that  $e^{\pm j2\pi k} = 1$  for integer  $k$

# Periodicity of the frequency response

## Example 1: ideal lowpass filter

- ▶ The frequency response of an ideal lowpass filter is as follows:



- ▶ Due to the periodicity in the response, it is only necessary to consider one frequency cycle, usually chosen to be the range  $[-\pi, \pi]$

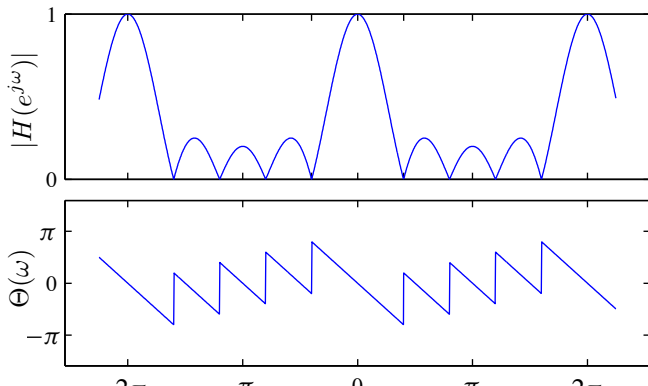
# Periodicity of the frequency response

## Example 2: moving-average system

- Impulse response:

$$h(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{M_1 + M_2 + 1} & -M_1 \leq n \leq M_2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Frequency response for  $M_1 = 0$  and  $M_2 = 4$ :



This system attenuates high frequencies (at around  $\omega = \pi$ ), and therefore acts as a lowpass filter



# Road map to Fourier Kingdom

	<i>APERIODIC in time</i> <i>CONTINUOUS in frequency</i>	<i>PERIODIC in time</i> <i>DISCRETE in frequency</i>
<i>CONTINUOUS in time</i> <i>APERIODIC in frequency</i>	<p>Fourier Transform</p> $X(j\Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\Omega t} dt$ $x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(j\Omega)e^{j\Omega t} d\Omega$	<p>Fourier Series</p> $a_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} x(t)e^{-j\frac{2\pi k}{T}t} dt$ $x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{j\frac{2\pi k}{T}t}$
<i>DISCRETE in time</i> <i>PERIODIC in frequency</i>	?	?

# The Discrete-Time Fourier Transform and its inverse

- ▶ The Fourier transform is a mathematical tool defined for continuous-time signals, suitable for their analysis in the frequency-domain
- ▶ To deal with discrete-time signals, we introduce the **Discrete-Time Fourier Transform** (DTFT) of a sequence  $x(n)$  as

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)e^{-j\omega n},$$

which is a **continuous and periodic** function of the frequency  $\omega$ , with period  $2\pi$

- ▶ The inverse relationship is the Inverse Discrete-Time Fourier Transform (IDTFT), given by the Fourier integral

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$

## Magnitude, phase, and Fourier spectrum

- ▶ The DTFT is generally a complex-valued function of  $\omega$ :

$$\begin{aligned}X(e^{j\omega}) &= X_{Re}(e^{j\omega}) + jX_{Im}(e^{j\omega}) \\&= |X(e^{j\omega})|e^{j\angle X(e^{j\omega})}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ The quantities  $|X(e^{j\omega})|$  and  $\angle X(e^{j\omega})$  are referred to as the **magnitude** and **phase** of the Fourier transform
- ▶ The DTFT  $X(e^{j\omega})$  is often referred to as the **Fourier spectrum**

## DTFT and frequency response

- ▶ Since the frequency response of a LTI system is given by

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h(n)e^{-j\omega n},$$

it is clear that the frequency response coincides with the DTFT of the impulse response  $h(n)$

- ▶ Moreover, the impulse response can be obtained via IDTFT as

$$h(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} H(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$

# Existence of the DTFT

- ▶ A sufficient condition for the existence of the Fourier transform of a sequence  $x(n)$  is that it be absolutely summable, i.e.

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x(n)| < \infty$$

- ▶ In other words, the DTFT exists if the sum  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x(n)|$  converges
- ▶ The DTFT may however exist for sequences where this is not true; a rigorous mathematical treatment can be found in the theory of *generalised functions*, but it is out of the scope of this course

# Properties of the DTFT

## ► Linearity

$$k_1 x_1(n) + k_2 x_2(n) \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad k_1 X_1(e^{j\omega}) + k_2 X_2(e^{j\omega})$$

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### ► Real and imaginary sequences

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{Re}\{x(n)\} &\longleftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left( X(e^{j\omega}) + X^*(e^{-j\omega}) \right) \\ \operatorname{Im}\{x(n)\} &\longleftrightarrow \frac{1}{2j} \left( X(e^{j\omega}) - X^*(e^{-j\omega}) \right)\end{aligned}$$



## Symmetry properties

- **For real sequences** (i.e.,  $x(n)$  such that  $\text{Im}\{x(n)\} = 0$ ), the following properties follow:

$X(e^{j\omega})$	$=$	$X^*(e^{-j\omega})$	conjugate symmetric DTFT
$\text{Re}\{X(e^{j\omega})\}$	$=$	$\text{Re}\{X(e^{-j\omega})\}$	even real part
$\text{Im}\{X(e^{j\omega})\}$	$=$	$-\text{Im}\{X(e^{-j\omega})\}$	odd imaginary part
$ X(e^{j\omega}) $	$=$	$ X(e^{-j\omega}) $	even magnitude
$\angle X(e^{j\omega})$	$=$	$-\angle X(e^{-j\omega})$	odd phase

- **For imaginary sequences** (i.e.,  $x(n)$  such that  $\text{Re}\{x(n)\} = 0$ ), similar properties can be deduced

## Symmetry properties (cont')

- The following symmetry properties also hold:

$x(n)$		$X(e^{j\omega})$
real and even	$\longleftrightarrow$	real and even
imaginary and even	$\longleftrightarrow$	imaginary and even
real and odd	$\longleftrightarrow$	imaginary and odd
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conjugate symmetric	$\longleftrightarrow$	real

## Example 1: DTFT of a discrete rectangle sequence

- ▶ Consider the following rectangular function

$$x(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq n \leq M \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ The DTFT can be computed as

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=0}^M e^{-j\omega n} = \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega(M+1)}}{1 - e^{-j\omega}},$$

where we exploited the closed-form expression of converging geometric series:

$$\sum_{n=0}^M r^n = \frac{1 - r^{M+1}}{1 - r}$$

## Example 1: DTFT of a discrete rectangular sequence (cont')

- ▶ Rearranging the terms, the result can be rewritten in a more interesting form:

$$\begin{aligned}X(e^{j\omega}) &= \frac{e^{-j\frac{\omega}{2}}}{e^{-j\frac{\omega}{2}}} \cdot \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega(M+1)}}{1 - e^{-j\omega}} \\&= \frac{e^{-j\omega\frac{M}{2}} \left[ e^{j\omega\left(\frac{M+1}{2}\right)} - e^{-j\omega\left(\frac{M+1}{2}\right)} \right]}{e^{j\frac{\omega}{2}} - e^{-j\frac{\omega}{2}}} \\&= e^{-j\omega\frac{M}{2}} \cdot \frac{\sin \omega \left( \frac{M+1}{2} \right)}{\sin \frac{\omega}{2}} \\&= e^{-j\omega\frac{M}{2}} \cdot (M+1) \cdot \text{asinc}_{M+1}(\omega)\end{aligned}$$

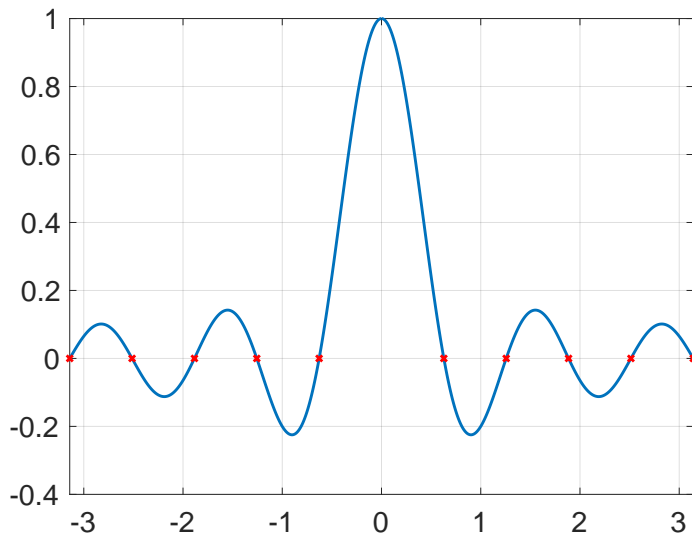
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$$\text{asinc}_M(\omega) = \frac{\sin M\frac{\omega}{2}}{M \cdot \sin \frac{\omega}{2}}$$

- ▶ Zeros occur at  $\omega = 2k\pi/M$ , with  $k = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm M$

## Example 1: DTFT of a discrete rectangular sequence (cont')

- ▶ Example with  $M = 10$



## Example 2: Ideal low-pass filter

- ▶ We can specify an ideal low-pass filter in the frequency domain, i.e. defining its frequency response:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \begin{cases} 1 & |\omega| < \omega_c \\ 0 & \omega_c < |\omega| \leq \pi \end{cases}$$

- ▶ The impulse response can be therefore obtained via IDTFT:

$$\begin{aligned} h(n) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} H(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\omega_c}^{\omega_c} e^{j\omega n} d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi j n} \left[ e^{j\omega_c n} - e^{-j\omega_c n} \right] = \frac{\sin \omega_c n}{\pi n} = \frac{\omega_c}{\pi} \text{sinc}(\omega_c n) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ The impulse response of an ideal low-pass filter is thus proportional to the *sinc function*, defined as:

$$\text{sinc}(n) = \frac{\sin n}{n}$$

## Some useful transform pairs

Sequence	DTFT
$\delta(n)$	1
$\delta(n - n_0)$	$e^{-j\omega n_0}$
1	$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi\delta(\omega + 2\pi k)$
$u(n)$	$\frac{1}{1 - e^{-j\omega}} + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \pi\delta(\omega + 2\pi k)$
$a^n u(n),  a  < 1$	$\frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}}$
$(n + 1)a^n u(n),  a  < 1$	$\frac{1}{(1 - ae^{-j\omega})^2}$

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$x(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq n \leq M \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	$X(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{\sin \frac{\omega(M+1)}{2}}{\sin \frac{\omega}{2}} e^{-j\omega \frac{M}{2}}$
$e^{j\omega_0 n}$	$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi \delta(\omega - \omega_0 + 2\pi k)$



# Review: Road map to Fourier Kingdom

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