

INTRODUCTION TO EECS II  
**DIGITAL  
 COMMUNICATION  
 SYSTEMS**

# 6.02 Fall 2011 Lecture #14

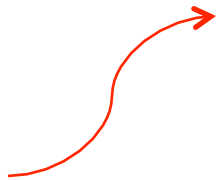
- Review+more on frequency response
- Review+more on DT Fourier Series (DTFS)
- Using the DTFS for finite-duration signals

# Complex Exponentials through LTI Systems

$$x[n]=e^{j\Omega n} \longrightarrow \boxed{h[.]} \longrightarrow y[n]=H(\Omega)e^{j\Omega n}$$

Exponentials are special for LTI systems (which comprise scaling and DT time-shifting operations on an input) because time-shifting an *exponential* yields a scaled version of the *same* exponential.

**FREQUENCY  
RESPONSE**  
(definition)

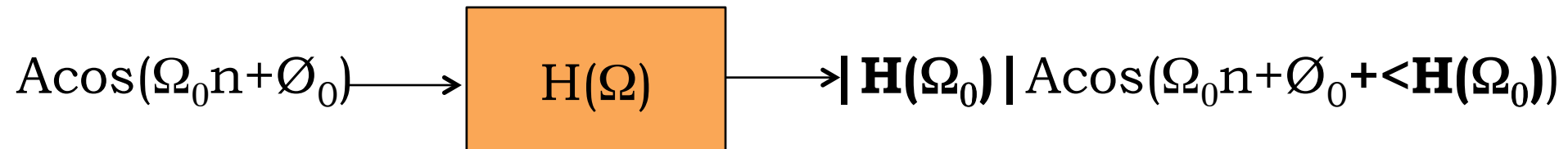

$$\begin{aligned} H(\Omega) &\equiv \sum_m h[m]e^{-j\Omega m} \\ &= \left( \sum_m h[m] \cos(\Omega m) \right) - j \left( \sum_m h[m] \sin(\Omega m) \right) \\ &= C(\Omega) - jS(\Omega) = |H(\Omega)| \cdot \exp\{j \angle H(\Omega)\} \end{aligned}$$

An infinite sum in general, but well behaved if  $h[.]$  is absolutely summable, i.e., if the system is **stable** --- our standing assumption.

# From Complex Exponentials to Sinusoids

$$\cos(\Omega n) = (e^{j\Omega n} + e^{-j\Omega n}) / 2$$

So response to a cosine input is:



# Key Properties of Frequency Response

(i)  $H(\Omega)$  repeats periodically on the frequency ( $\Omega$ ) axis, with period  $2\pi$  (because the input  $e^{j\Omega n}$  is the same for  $\Omega$  that differ by integer multiples of  $2\pi$ , so the corresponding output is the same).

So only the interval  $\Omega$  in  $[-\pi, \pi]$  is of interest!

$\Omega=0$  is lowest frequency, namely constant 1 or “DC”.

$\Omega=\pm\pi$  is highest frequency, namely  $(-1)^n$ .

(ii) For *real*  $h[n]$ :

**Real part** of  $H(\Omega)$  & **magnitude** are EVEN functions of  $\Omega$ .

**Imaginary part** & **phase** are ODD functions of  $\Omega$ .

(iii) For real and *even*  $h[n] = h[-n]$ ,  $H(\Omega)$  is purely real.  
For real and *odd*  $h[n] = -h[-n]$ ,  $H(\Omega)$  is purely imaginary.

# Exercise: Frequency response of $h[n-D]$

Given an LTI system with unit sample response  $h[n]$  and associated frequency response  $H(\Omega)$ ,

determine the frequency response  $H_D(\Omega)$  of an LTI system whose unit sample response is

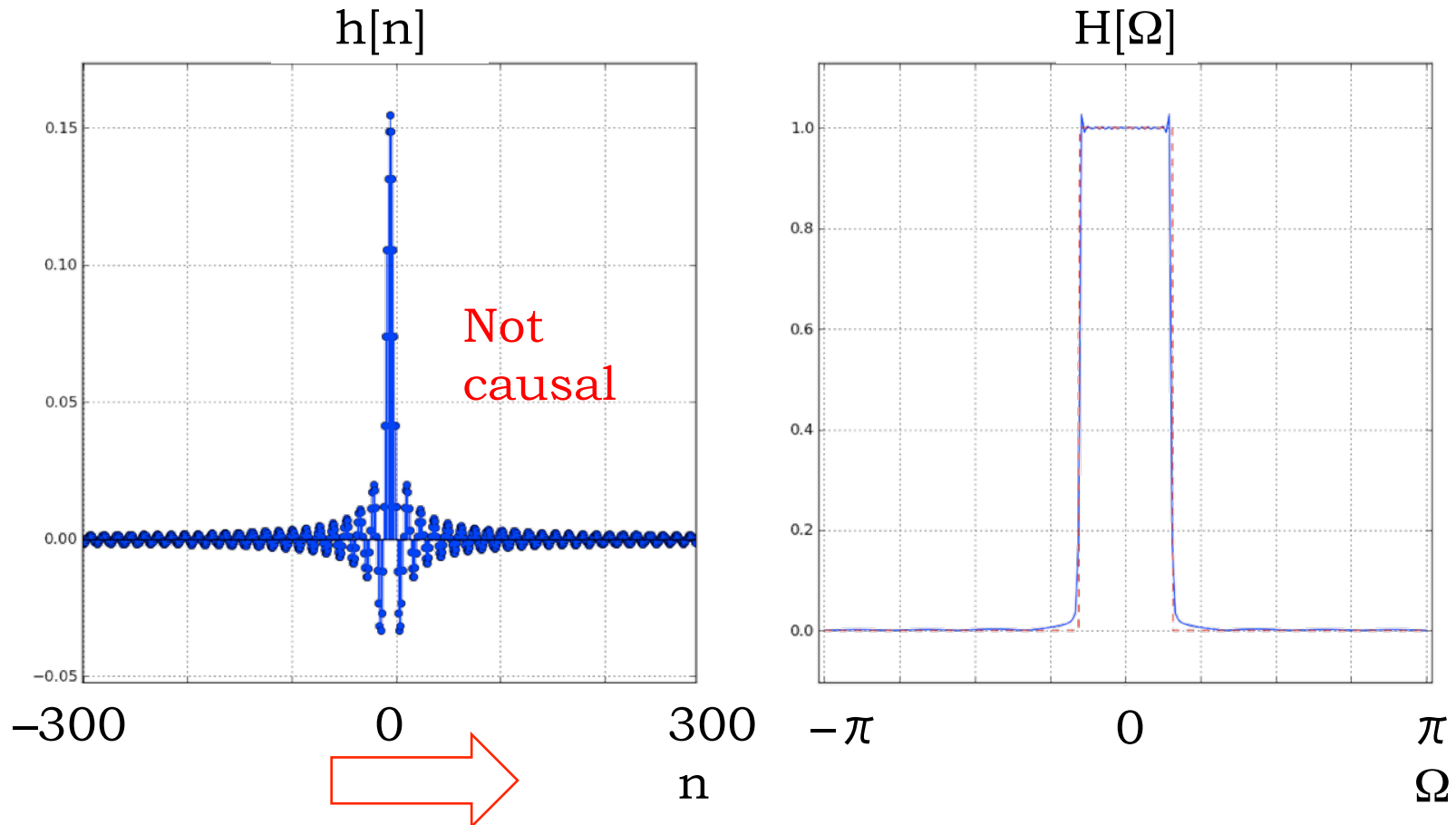
$$h_D[n] = h[n-D].$$

**Answer:**  $H_D(\Omega) = \exp\{-j\Omega D\} \cdot H(\Omega)$

so :  $|H_D(\Omega)| = |H(\Omega)|$ , i.e., **magnitude unchanged**

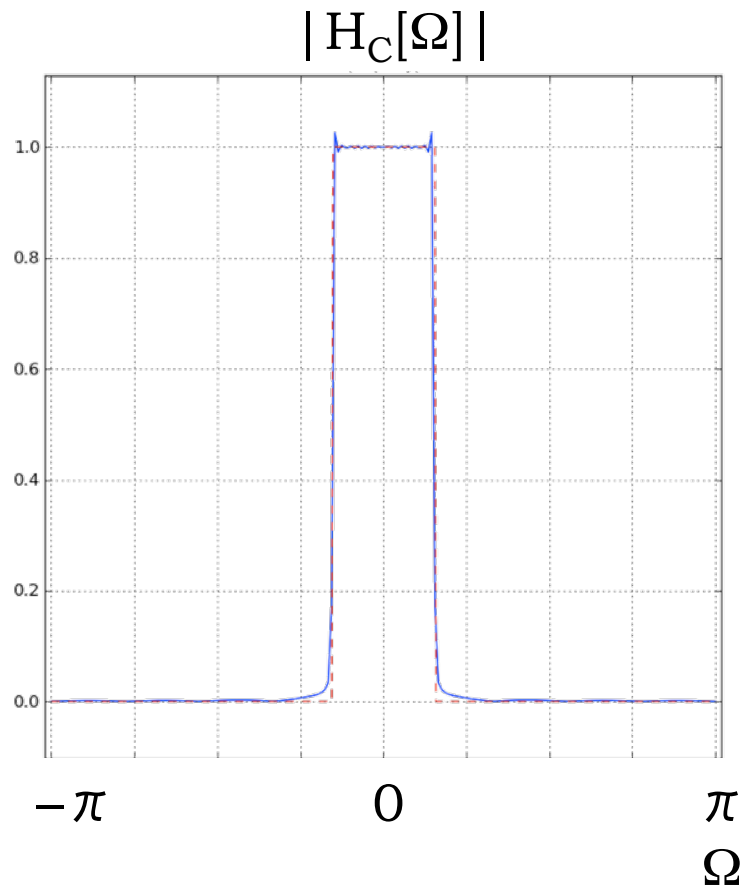
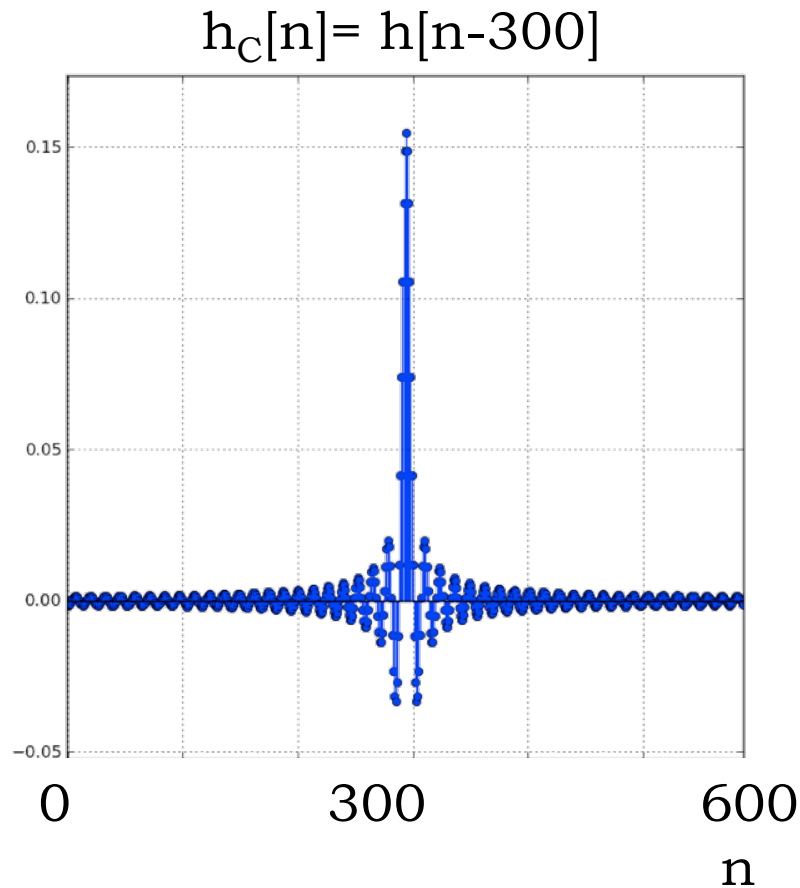
$\angle H_D(\Omega) = -\Omega D + \angle H(\Omega)$ , i.e., **linear phase term added**

# e.g.: Approximating an ideal lowpass filter



Idea: shift  $h[n]$  right to get causal LTI system.  
Will the result still be a lowpass filter?

# Causal approximation to ideal lowpass filter



Determine  $\angle H_C(\Omega)$

# Determining $h[n]$ from $H(\Omega)$

$$H(\Omega) = \sum_m h[m] e^{-j\Omega m}$$

Multiply both sides by  $e^{j\Omega n}$  and integrate over a (contiguous)  $2\pi$  interval. Only one term survives!

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\langle 2\pi \rangle} H(\Omega) e^{j\Omega n} d\Omega &= \int_{\langle 2\pi \rangle} \sum_m h[m] e^{-j\Omega(m-n)} d\Omega \\ &= 2\pi \cdot h[n] \end{aligned}$$



$$h[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\langle 2\pi \rangle} H(\Omega) e^{j\Omega n} d\Omega$$



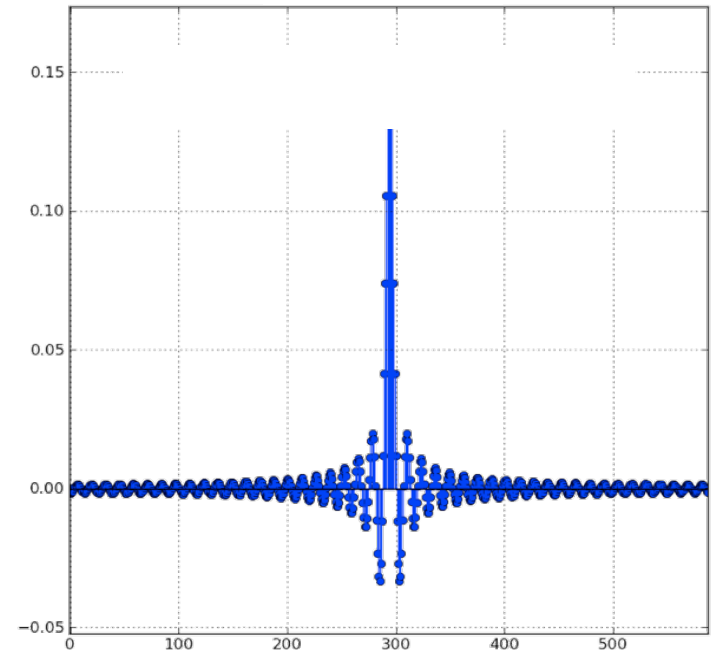
# Design **ideal lowpass filter** with cutoff frequency $\Omega_c$ and $H(\Omega)=1$ in passband

$$h[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\langle 2\pi \rangle} H(\Omega) e^{j\Omega n} d\Omega$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\Omega_c}^{\Omega_c} 1 \cdot e^{j\Omega n} d\Omega$$

$$= \frac{\sin(\Omega_c n)}{\pi n}, \quad n \neq 0$$

$$= \Omega_c / \pi, \quad n = 0$$



**DT “sinc” function**  
(extends to  $\pm\infty$  in time,  
falls off only as  $1/n$ )

# What about other non-sinusoidal periodic inputs?

Any *strictly* periodic DT signal of period  $P$

$$x[n+P]=x[n] \text{ for all } n$$

e.g.,  $6.\sin((2\pi n/P)+0.17) + 4.\cos(3(2\pi n/P)+0.82)$

can be written as

a **weighted combination** (generally with complex weights)  
of  $P$  **complex exponentials**

whose frequencies are

consecutive integer multiples of the *fundamental frequency*  $2\pi/P=\Omega_1$   
(so each exponential term has period  $P$ )

This is the

**Discrete-Time Fourier Series (DTFS)**  
or **discrete spectral representation.**

# Discrete-Time Fourier Series (DTFS)

If  $x[n]$  is periodic with period  $P$  (convenient to **assume  $P$  is even**, so  $P/2$  is integer, but odd  $P$  can be handled too), it can be expressed as the sum of  $P$  “**spectral components**” --- scaled complex exponentials of period  $P$ :

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=\langle P \rangle} A_k e^{jk\Omega_1 n}$$

Complex exponentials with *fundamental frequency*  $2\pi/P = \Omega_1$ . Frequency of term  $k$  is  $\Omega_k = k\Omega_1$ .

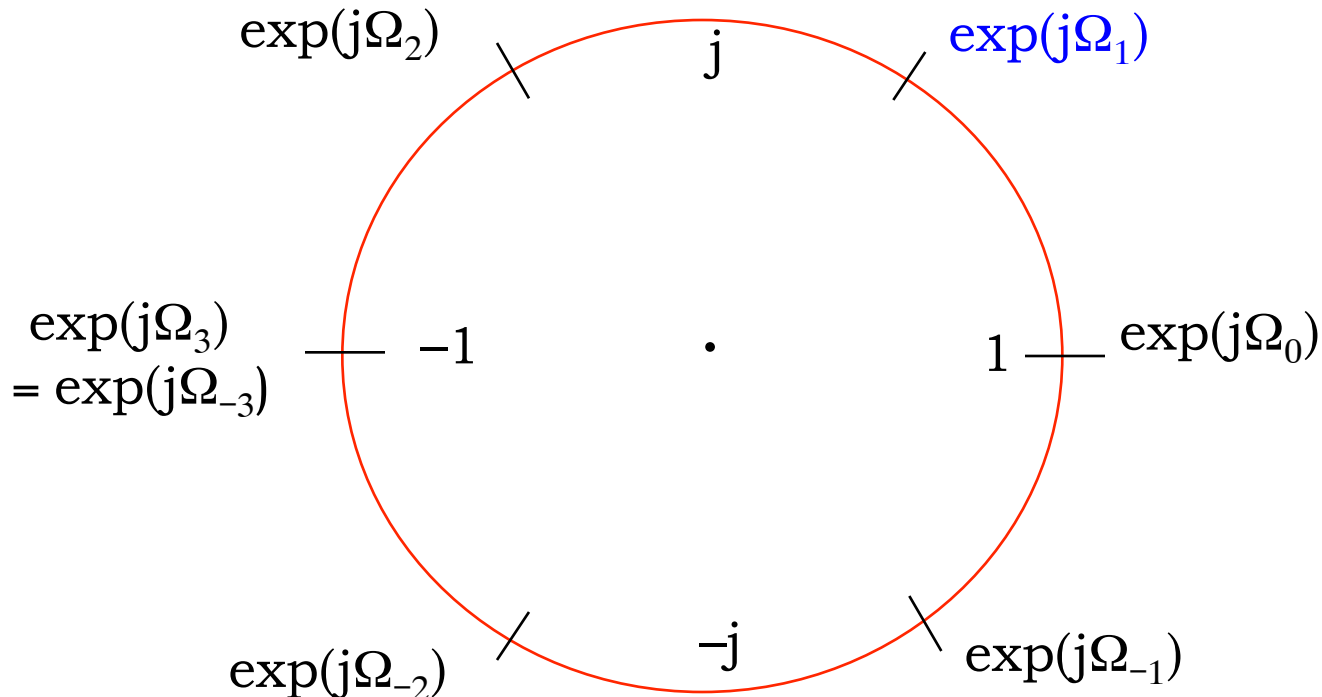
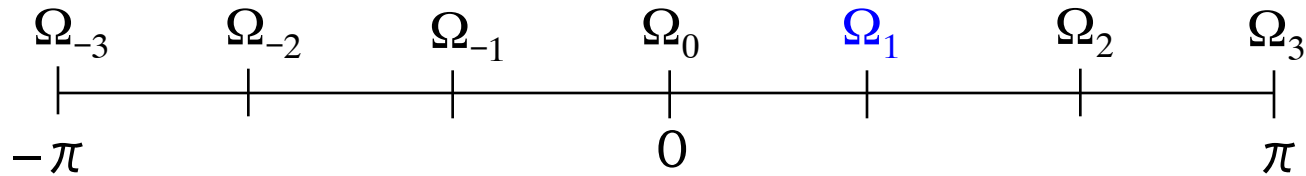
$k$  ranges over any  $P$  consecutive integers. Common choices:

- $k$  for 0 to  $P-1$  ;  $0 \leq k\Omega_1 \leq 2\pi - \Omega_1$
- $k$  for  $-(P/2)$  to  $(P/2)-1$  for **even**  $P$  ;  $-\pi \leq k\Omega_1 \leq \pi - \Omega_1$
- $k$  symmetrically out from 0 for **odd**  $P$  ;  $-\pi + (\Omega_1/2) \leq k\Omega_1 \leq \pi - (\Omega_1/2)$

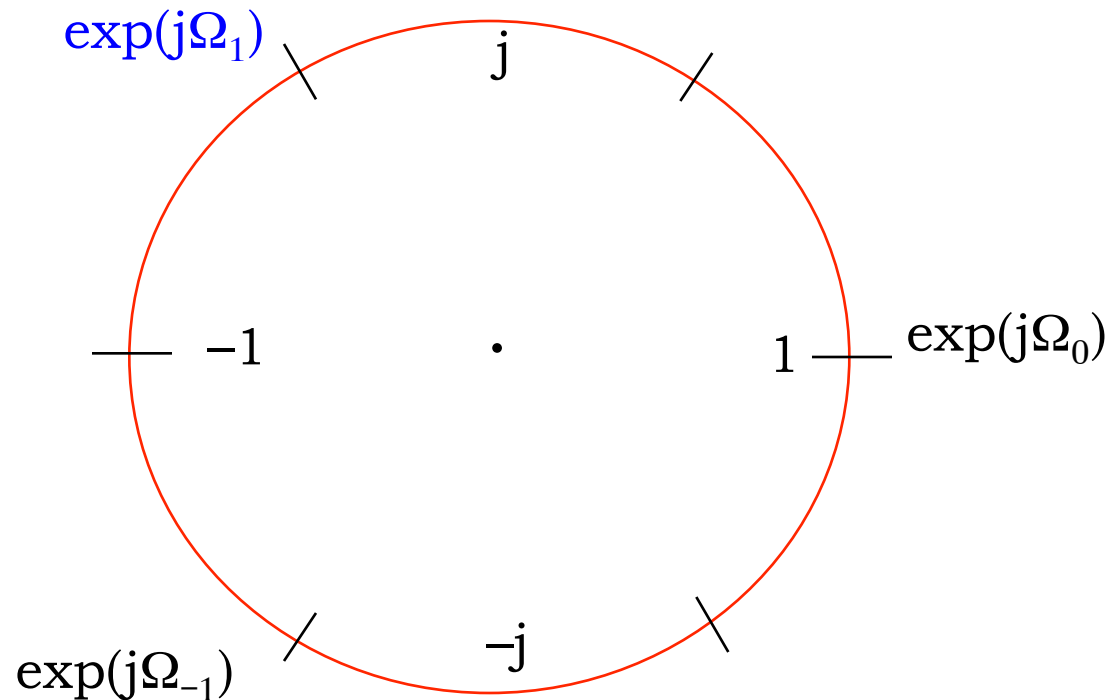
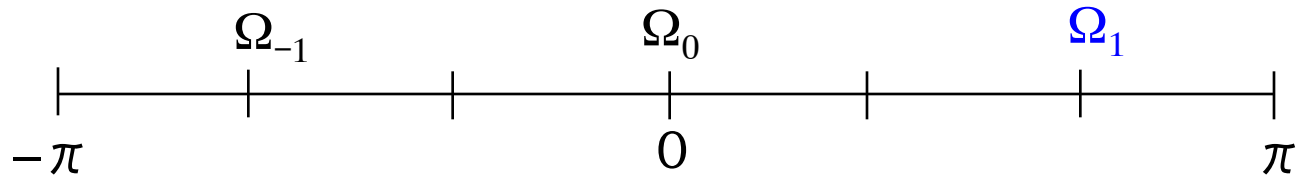
$$= \frac{1}{P} \sum_{k=\langle P \rangle} X_k e^{jk\Omega_1 n}$$

With the notation  $A_k = X_k/P$ , we get an alternate (and often used) normalization.

# Where do the $\Omega_k$ live? e.g., for $P=6$ (**even**)



# Where do the $\Omega_k$ live? e.g., for $P=3$ (odd)



# Consequence for Periodic Input to LTI System

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=\langle P \rangle} A_k e^{j\Omega_k n} \longrightarrow \boxed{H(\Omega)} \longrightarrow y[n] = \sum_{k=\langle P \rangle} H(\Omega_k) A_k e^{j\Omega_k n}$$

We write  $\Omega_k = k\Omega_1 = k(2\pi/P)$ , to further simplify the notation; so  $\Omega_{-k} = -\Omega_k$ .

i.e., the frequency response tells us how the system will affect the **spectral components** in the periodic input. We know the output is periodic, and must have its own Fourier series, with coefficients  $B_k$ . So evidently

$$B_k = H(\Omega_k) A_k$$

are the spectral coefficients for  $y[n]$ . If we use the alternate normalization,  $X_k = A_k P$  and  $Y_k = B_k P$ , then similarly

$$Y_k = H(\Omega_k) X_k$$

# Determining the Fourier Series Coefficients

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=\langle P \rangle} A_k e^{j\Omega_k n}$$

Synthesis equation

$$X_k = A_k P = \sum_{n=\langle P \rangle} x[n] e^{-j\Omega_k n}$$

Analysis equation

Parenthetical remark: compare with

$$h[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\langle 2\pi \rangle} H(\Omega) e^{j\Omega n} d\Omega$$

$$H(\Omega) = \sum_n h[n] e^{-j\Omega n}$$

# Derivation of equation for $A_k$

Start with:

$$x[n] = \sum_{m=\langle P \rangle} A_m e^{j\Omega_m n}$$

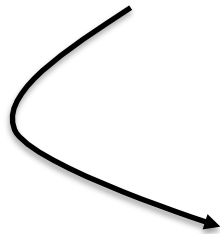
Multiply both sides by  $e^{-j\Omega_k n}$  and sum over P terms:

$$\sum_{n=\langle P \rangle} x[n] e^{-j\Omega_k n} = \sum_{n=\langle P \rangle} \sum_{m=\langle P \rangle} A_m e^{j\Omega_m n} e^{-j\Omega_k n}$$

$$= \sum_{m=\langle P \rangle} A_m \sum_{n=\langle P \rangle} e^{j(m-k)\Omega_1 n}$$

$$= A_k P$$

= 0 if  $m-k \neq 0$ , and  
= P otherwise



$$A_k = \frac{1}{P} \sum_{n=\langle P \rangle} x[n] e^{-j\Omega_k n}$$



# DTFS Properties

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=\langle P \rangle} A_k e^{j\Omega_k n}$$

$$A_k = \frac{1}{P} \sum_{n=\langle P \rangle} x[n] e^{-j\Omega_k n}$$

- $x[n]$  and  $A_k$  are both periodic with period  $P$
- If  $x[n]$  is real,  $A_{-k} = A_k^*$  (i.e., they are complex conjugates)
- $A_0$  is the average of the  $x[n]$  over one period
- $A_{P/2}$  (for even  $P$ ) is the average of  $(-1)^n x[n]$  over one period
- It takes  $P$  numbers to specify this periodic  $x[n]$ , and it takes  $P$  numbers to specify its Fourier series coefficients

$$x[n] = \sin\left(r \frac{2\pi}{P} n\right)$$

Let's do it "by inspection". First rewrite  $x[n]$ :

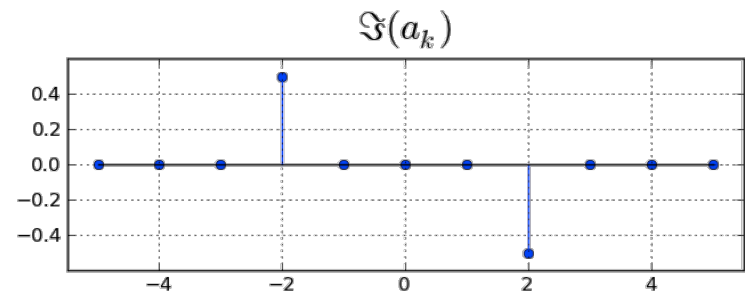
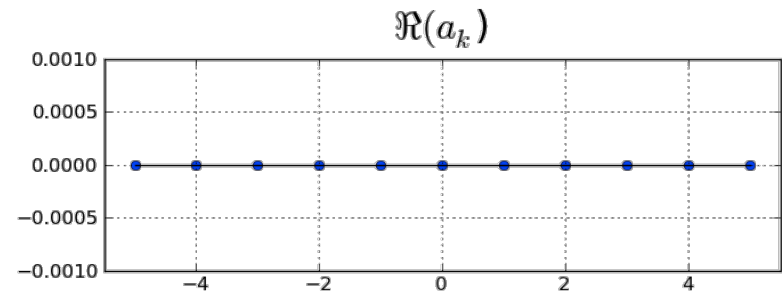
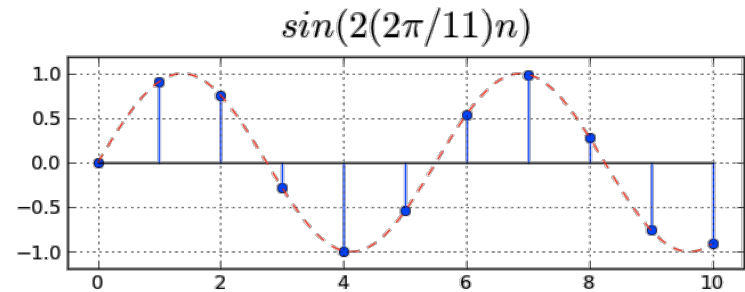
$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2j} e^{jr \frac{2\pi}{P} n} - \frac{1}{2j} e^{j(-r) \frac{2\pi}{P} n}$$

Now  $x[n]$  is a sum of complex exponentials and we can determine the  $A_k$  directly from the equation:

$$A_r = \frac{1}{2j} = -\frac{j}{2}$$

$$A_{-r} = -\frac{1}{2j} = \frac{j}{2}$$

$$A_k = 0 \quad \text{otherwise}$$



$P$  is *odd* here ( $=11$ ), so the end points of the frequency scale are at  $\pm(\pi - (\pi/P))$ , not  $\pm\pi$ .

$$x[n] = 1 + 2 \cos\left(3 \frac{2\pi}{11} n\right) - 3 \sin\left(5 \frac{2\pi}{11} n\right)$$

Again, by inspection: since the cos and sin are at different frequencies, we can analyze them separately.

$$A_0 = \text{average value} = 1$$

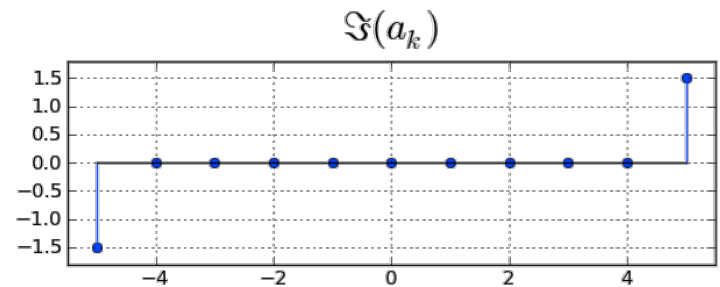
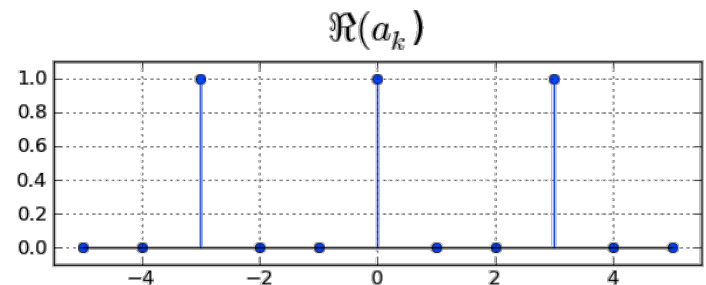
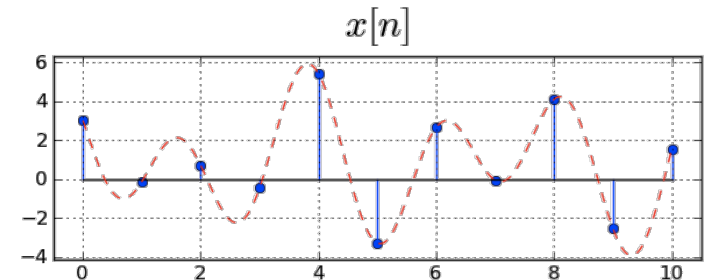
$$A_{\pm 3} = 2(1/2) = 1 \quad [\text{from cos term}]$$

$$A_{-5} = -3(j/2) = -1.5j \quad [\text{from sin term}]$$

$$A_5 = -3(-j/2) = 1.5j$$

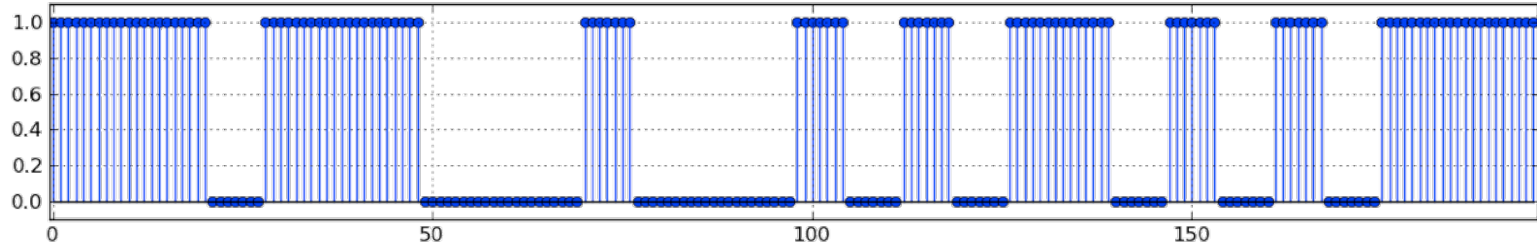
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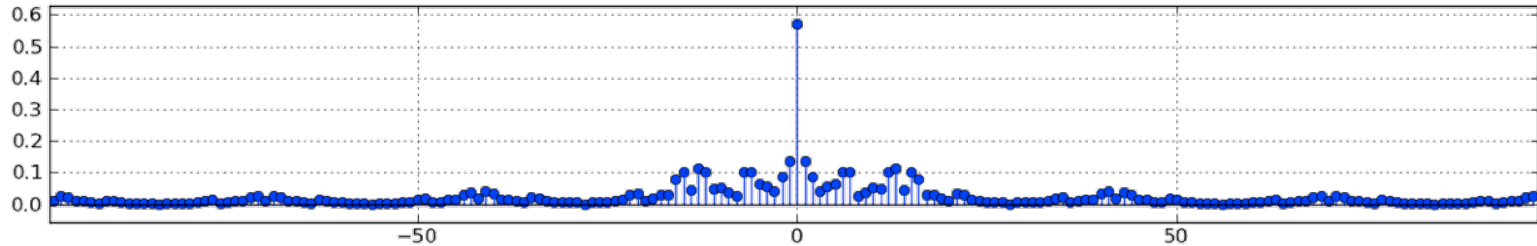


# Spectrum of Digital Transmissions

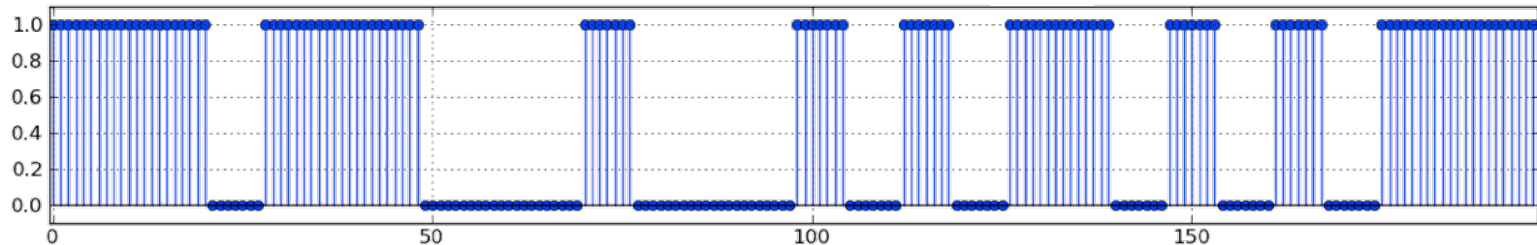
transmit @ 7 samples/bit



$|A_k|$



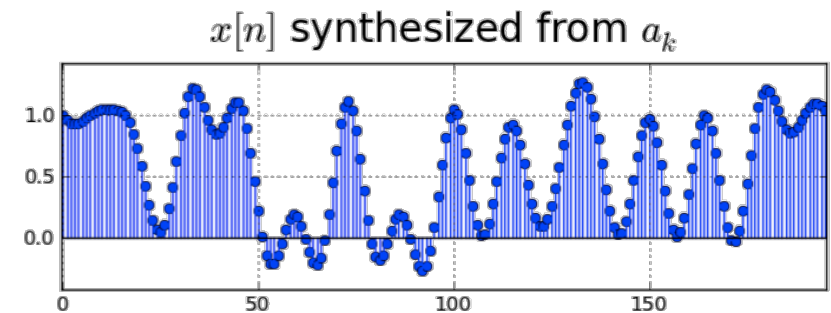
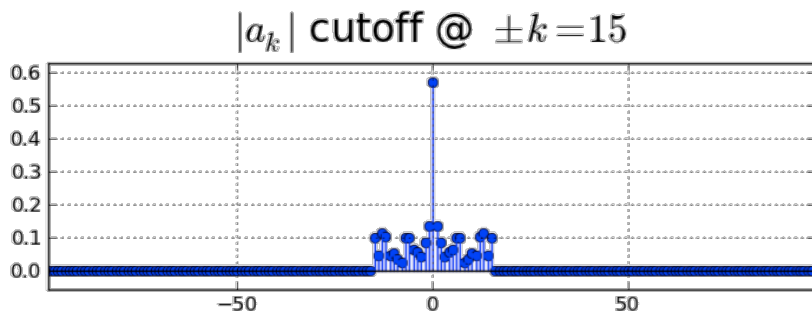
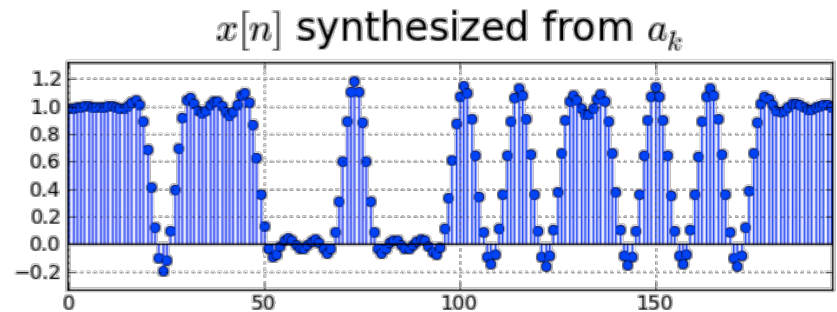
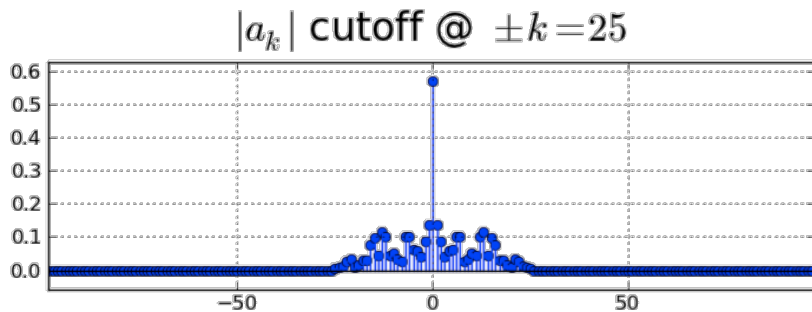
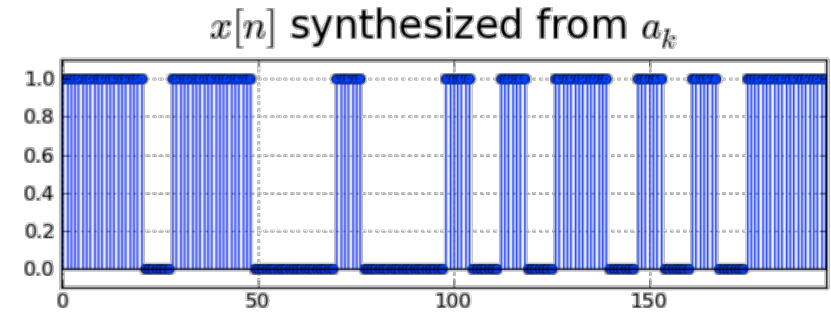
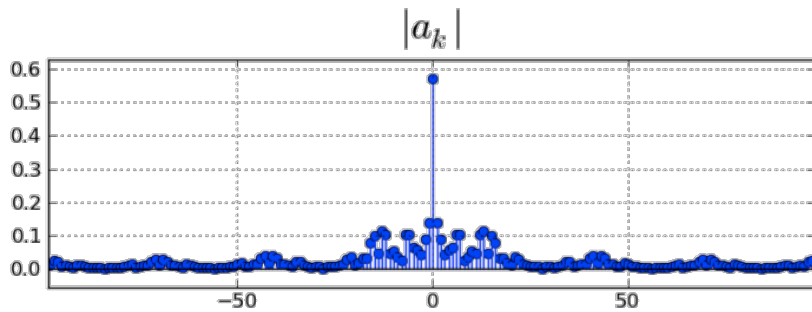
$x[n]$  synthesized from  $A_k$



# Observations on previous figure

- The waveform  $x[n]$  cannot vary faster than the step change every 7 samples, so we expect the highest frequency components in the waveform to have a period around 14 samples. (This is rough and qualitative, as  $x[n]$  is not sinusoidal.)
- A period of 14 corresponds to a frequency of  $2\pi / 14 = \pi / 7$ , which is  $1/7$  of the way from 0 to the positive end of the frequency axis at  $\pi$  (so  $k$  approximately  $100/7$  or 14 in the figure). And that indeed is the neighborhood of where the Fourier coefficients drop off significantly in magnitude.
- There are also lower-frequency components corresponding to the fact that the 1 or 0 level may be held for several bit slots.
- And there are higher-frequency components that result from the transitions between voltage levels being sudden, not gradual.

# Effect of Band-limiting a Transmission



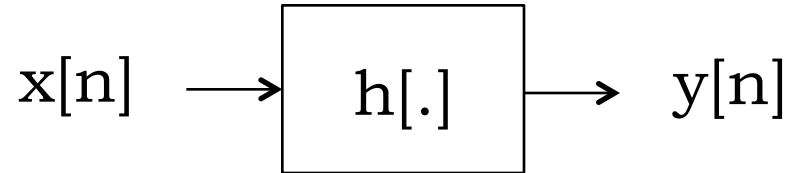
# The DTFS is also good for **finite-duration** signals!

**Claim:** Over **any** contiguous interval of length  $P$  that we may be interested in --- say  $n=0,1,\dots,P-1$  for concreteness --- an **arbitrary** DT signal  $x[n]$  can be written in the form

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=\langle P \rangle} A_k e^{j\Omega_k n}$$

**What's going on here?** If we know we will only be interested in the interval  $[0,P-1]$ , then it doesn't matter that our representation above will create periodically repeating extensions outside the interval of interest.

# Application



Suppose  $x[n]$  is nonzero only over the time interval  $[0, n_x]$ , and  $h[n]$  is nonzero only over the time interval  $[0, n_h]$ .

In what time interval can the non-zero values of  $y[n]$  be guaranteed to lie? **The interval  $[0, n_x + n_h]$ .**

Since all the action we are interested in is confined to this interval, choose  **$P - 1 \geq n_x + n_h$** , then use the DTFS to represent  $x[n]$  and  $y[n]$  over this interval.

This is actually the much more common use of the DTFS!



# The Need for Speed: Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{P} \sum_{k=\langle P \rangle} X_k e^{j\Omega_k n}, \quad X_k = \sum_{n=\langle P \rangle} x[n] e^{-j\Omega_k n}$$

Computing these series involves  $O(P^2)$  operations – when  $P$  gets large, the computations get very slow....

Happily, in 1965 Cooley and Tukey published a fast method for computing the Fourier transform (aka **FFT**, IFFT), rediscovering a technique known to Gauss. This method takes  $O(P \log P)$  operations.

$$P = 1000, \quad P^2 = 1000000, \quad P \log P \approx 10000$$