

# INTRODUCTION TO EECS II

# DIGITAL

# COMMUNICATION

# SYSTEMS

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## Lecture #12

- Bounded-input, bounded-output stability
- Frequency response

# Bounded-Input Bounded-Output (BIBO) Stability

What ensures that the infinite sum

$$y[n] = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} h[m]x[n-m]$$

is well-behaved?

One important case: If the unit sample response is *absolutely summable*, i.e.,

$$\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[m]| < \infty$$

and the input is *bounded*, i.e.,  $|x[k]| \leq M < \infty$

Under these conditions, the convolution sum is well-behaved, and the *output* is guaranteed to be *bounded*.

The **absolute summability of  $h[n]$**  is necessary and sufficient for this **bounded-input bounded-output (BIBO) stability**.

# Time now for a **Frequency-Domain** Story

in which  
convolution  
is transformed to  
multiplication,  
and other  
good things  
happen

# A First Step

Do **periodic inputs** to an LTI system, i.e.,  $x[n]$  such that

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

(with  $P$  usually picked to be the smallest positive integer for which this is true) yield **periodic outputs**? If so, of period  $P$ ?

**Yes!** --- use Flip/Slide/Dot.Product to see this easily: sliding by  $P$  gives the same picture back again, hence the same output value.

Alternate argument: Since the system is TI, using input  $x$  delayed by  $P$  should yield  $y$  delayed by  $P$ . But  $x$  delayed by  $P$  is  $x$  again, so  $y$  delayed by  $P$  must be  $y$ .

# But much more is true for Sinusoidal Inputs to LTI Systems

Sinusoidal inputs, i.e.,

$$x[n] = \cos(\Omega n + \theta)$$

yield sinusoidal outputs at the same 'frequency'  $\Omega$  rads/sample.

And observe that such inputs are not even periodic in general!

Periodic if and only if  $2\pi/\Omega$  is rational,  $=P/Q$  for some integers  $P(>0)$ ,  $Q$ . The smallest such  $P$  is the period.

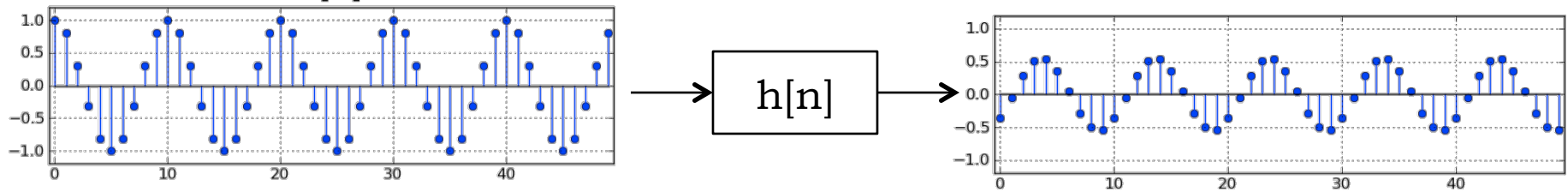
Nevertheless, we often refer to  $2\pi/\Omega$  as the 'period' of this sinusoid, whether or not it is a periodic discrete-time sequence. This is the period of an underlying continuous-time signal.

# Examples

$\cos(3\pi n/4)$  has frequency  $3\pi/4$  rad/sample, and period 8; shifting by integer multiples of 8 yields the same sequence back again, and no integer smaller than 8 accomplishes this.

$\cos(3n/4)$  has frequency  $3/4$  rad/sample, and is not periodic as a DT sequence because  $8\pi/3$  is irrational, but we could still refer to  $8\pi/3$  as its 'period', because we can think of the sequence as arising from sampling the periodic continuous-time signal  $\cos(3t/4)$  at integer  $t$ .

# Sinusoidal Inputs and LTI Systems



A very important property of LTI systems or channels:

If the input  $x[n]$  is a sinusoid of a given amplitude, frequency and phase, the response will be a *sinusoid at the same frequency*, although the amplitude and phase may be altered. The change in amplitude and phase will, in general, depend on the frequency of the input.

Let's prove this to be true ... but use *complex exponentials* instead, for clean derivations that take care of sines and cosines (or sinusoids of arbitrary phase) simultaneously.

# A related simple case: real discrete-time (DT) exponential inputs also produce exponential outputs of the same type

- Suppose  $x[n] = r^n$  for some real number  $r$

- $$y[n] = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} h[m]x[n-m]$$

$$= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} h[m]r^{n-m}$$

$$= \left( \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} h[m]r^{-m} \right) r^n$$

- i.e., just a scaled version of the exponential input



# Complex Exponentials

A complex exponential is a complex-valued function of a single argument – an angle measured in radians. Euler's formula shows the relation between complex exponentials and our usual trig functions:

$$e^{j\varphi} = \cos(\varphi) + j\sin(\varphi)$$

$$\cos(\varphi) = \frac{1}{2} e^{j\varphi} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\varphi}$$

$$\sin(\varphi) = \frac{1}{2j} e^{j\varphi} - \frac{1}{2j} e^{-j\varphi}$$

In the complex plane,  $e^{j\varphi} = \cos(\varphi) + j\sin(\varphi)$  is a point on the **unit circle**, at an angle of  $\varphi$  with respect to the positive real axis. **cos and sin are projections on real and imaginary axes, respectively.**

**Increasing  $\varphi$  by  $2\pi$  brings you back to the same point!**

So any function of  $e^{j\varphi}$  only needs to be studied for  $\varphi$  in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .

# Useful Properties of $e^{j\varphi}$

When  $\varphi = 0$ :

$$e^{j0} = 1$$

When  $\varphi = \pm\pi$ :

$$e^{j\pi} = e^{-j\pi} = -1$$

$$e^{j\pi n} = e^{-j\pi n} = (-1)^n$$

(More properties later)

# Frequency Response

$$A(\cos\Omega n + j\sin\Omega n) = Ae^{j\Omega n} \longrightarrow \boxed{h[\cdot]} \longrightarrow y[n]$$

Using the convolution sum we can compute the system's response to a complex exponential (of frequency  $\Omega$ ) as input:

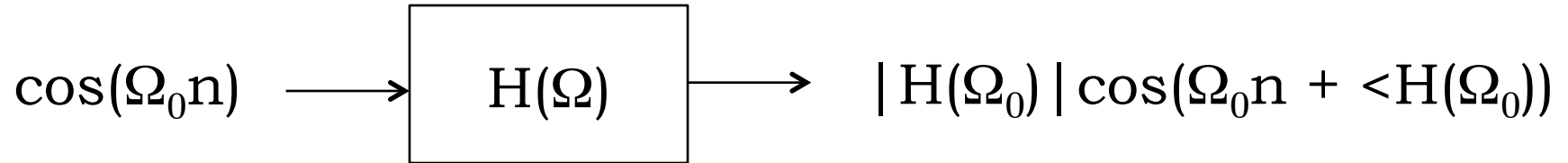
$$\begin{aligned} y[n] &= \sum_m h[m]x[n-m] \\ &= \sum_m h[m]Ae^{j\Omega(n-m)} \\ &= \left( \sum_m h[m]e^{-j\Omega m} \right) Ae^{j\Omega n} \\ &= H(\Omega) \cdot x[n] \end{aligned}$$

where we've defined the *frequency response* of the system as

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

# Back to Sinusoidal Inputs

Invoking the result for complex exponential inputs, it is easy to deduce what an LTI system does to sinusoidal inputs:



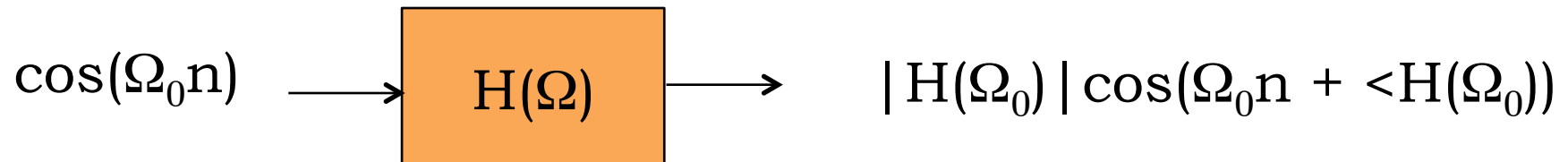
This **is IMPORTANT**

# From Complex Exponentials to Sinusoids

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

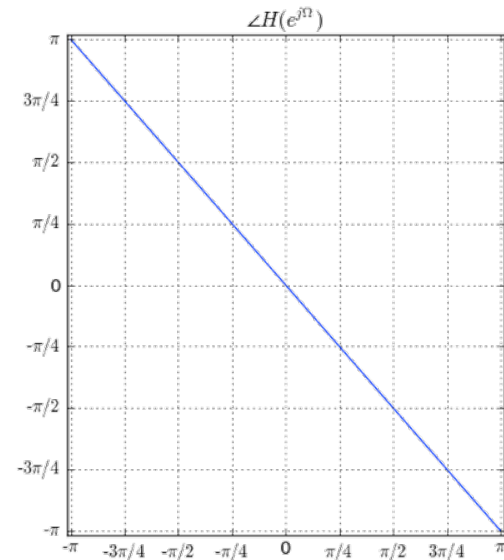
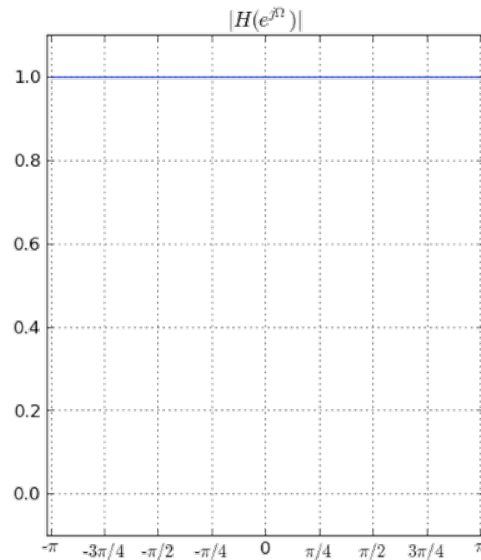
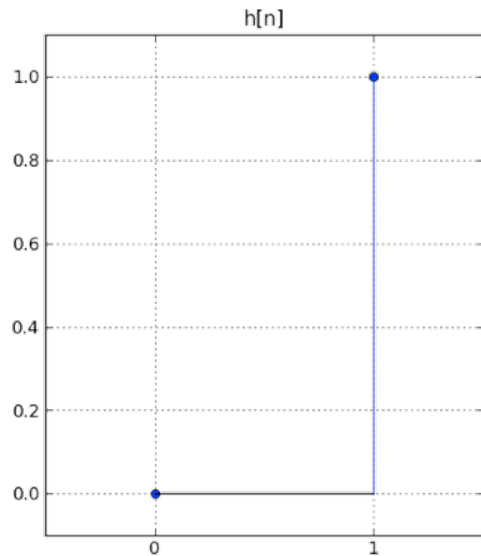
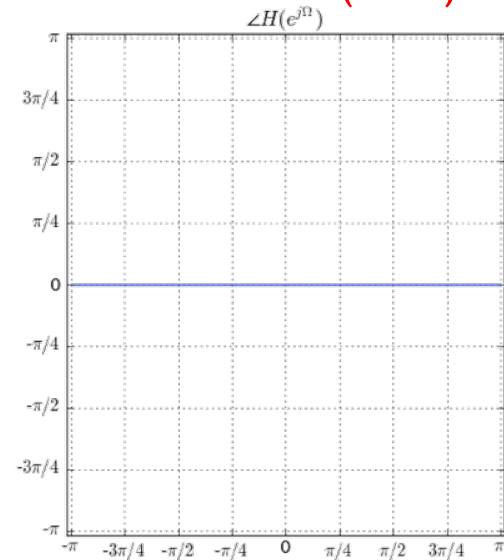
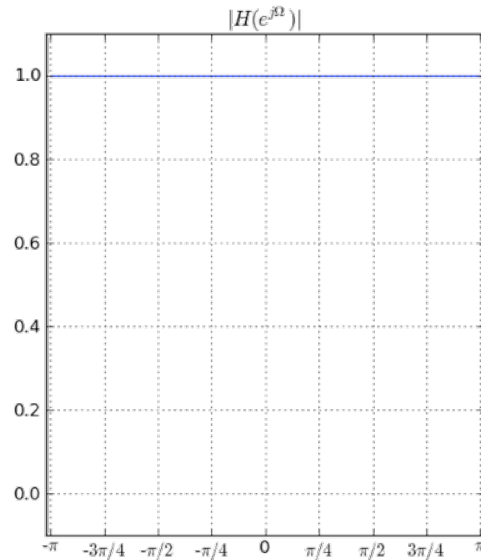
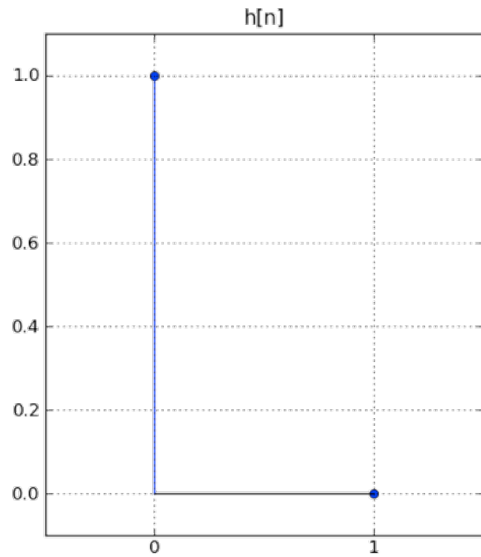
So response to this cosine input is

$$\begin{aligned} (H(\Omega)e^{j\Omega n} + H(-\Omega)e^{-j\Omega n}) / 2 &= \text{Real part of } H(\Omega)e^{j\Omega n} \\ &= \text{Real part of } |H(\Omega)|e^{j(\Omega n + \angle H(\Omega))} \end{aligned}$$



# Example $h[n]$ and $H(\Omega)$

Sometimes written as  $H(e^{j\Omega n})$



# Frequency Response of “Moving Average” Filters

