

# The Discrete Fourier Transform

◦ The book calls this the Discrete time Fourier series (DTFS)

◦ The Fast Fourier transform (FFT) is a fast method to implement the DFT.

• Consider the orthogonal basis functions  $\phi_k$  where

$$\langle \phi_k, \phi_l \rangle = N \delta_{[k-l]}$$

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integer

-  $\phi_k$  are orthogonal, but not normal.

$$\langle \phi_k, \phi_k \rangle = N$$

We can use  $\phi_k$  as the basis of an orthogonal transform

$$x = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X_k \phi_k$$

where

$$X_k = \frac{1}{N} \langle x, \phi_k \rangle$$

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factor due to fact  
that  $\langle \phi_k, \phi_k \rangle = N$

Let the functions  $\phi_k$  be

$$\phi_k[n] = e^{j2\pi \frac{kn}{N}}$$

and let the inner product be

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f[n] g^*[n]$$

Claim 1)

$$\langle \phi_k, \phi_l \rangle = N \delta[k-l]$$

for  $k \neq l$

$$\langle \phi_k, \phi_l \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{j2\pi \frac{kn}{N}} e^{-j2\pi \frac{ln}{N}}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{j2\pi \frac{(k-l)n}{N}}$$

$$= \frac{1 - e^{j2\pi \frac{(k-l)N}{N}}}{1 - e^{j2\pi \frac{(k-l)}{N}}}$$

$$= \frac{1 - 1}{1 - e^{j2\pi \frac{(k-l)}{N}}} = 0$$

for  $\kappa = \ell$

$$\langle \phi_{\kappa}, \phi_{\kappa} \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{i2\pi \frac{\kappa n}{N}} e^{-i2\pi \frac{\kappa n}{N}}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} 1 = N$$

Using the basis

$$\phi_k[n] = e^{j2\pi \frac{kn}{N}}$$

in the transform

$$\begin{cases} x = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X_k \phi_k \\ X_k = \frac{1}{N} \langle x, \phi_k \rangle \end{cases}$$

we get

$$\begin{cases} x[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X_k e^{j2\pi \frac{kn}{N}} \\ X_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j2\pi \frac{kn}{N}} \end{cases}$$

DFT

$$X_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j2\pi \frac{kn}{N}}$$

Inverse DFT

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X_k e^{j2\pi \frac{kn}{N}}$$

## Comments

- 1)  $X_k$  is defined for  $0 \leq k \leq N-1$
- 2)  $x[n]$  is defined for  $0 \leq n \leq N-1$
- 3) But,  $x[n]$  is periodic with period  $N$
- 4)  $X_k$  is also periodic with period  $N$ .

## Example

$$x[n] = 1 \quad X_k = ?$$

Notice that

$$x[n] = 1 = \phi_0[n] = e^{j2\pi \frac{0n}{N}}$$

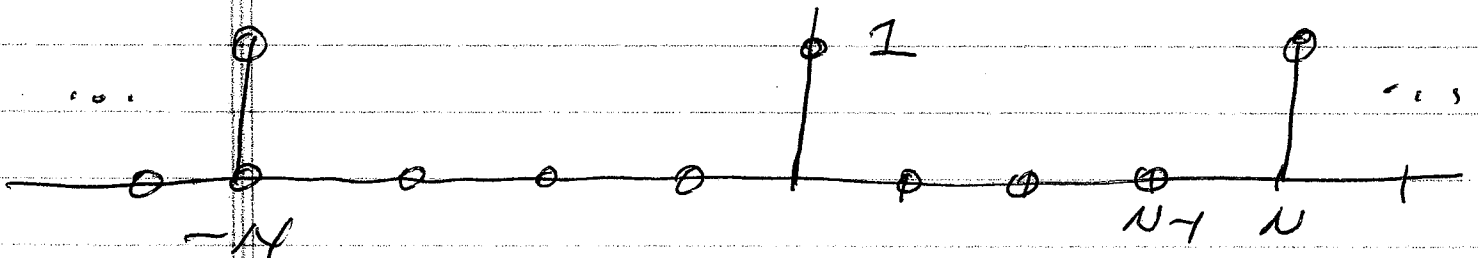
$$X_k = \frac{1}{N} \langle x, \phi_k \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \langle \phi_0, \phi_k \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \delta[k]$$

$$X_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } k=0 \\ 0 & \text{for } k=1, \dots, N-1 \end{cases}$$

But remember, since  $X_k$  is periodic with period  $N$

$$X_k = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[k - lN]$$



$$X[n] = 1 \xleftrightarrow{\text{DFT}} X_k = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[k - lN]$$



Example

$$X[n] = e^{j2\pi \frac{m n}{N}} \quad 0 \leq m \leq N-1$$

Notice that  $X[n] = \phi_m[n]$

So

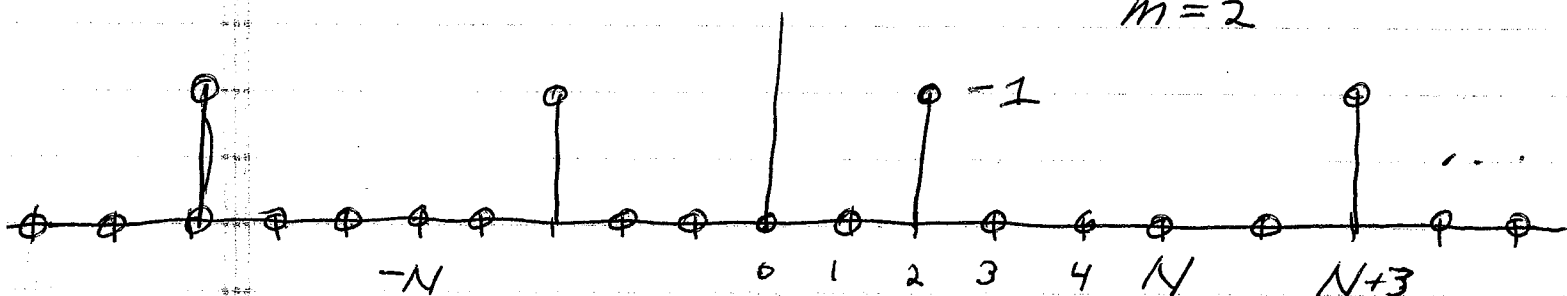
$$\begin{aligned} X_k &= \frac{1}{N} \langle X, \phi_k \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \langle \phi_m, \phi_k \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N} N \delta[k-m] \end{aligned}$$

$$X_k = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq k < m \\ 1 & \text{for } k = m \\ 0 & \text{for } m < k \leq N-1 \end{cases}$$

But since  $X_k$  is periodic

$$X_k = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[k-m-lN]$$

$$\begin{aligned} N &= 5 \\ m &= 2 \end{aligned}$$



$$X[m] = e^{j2\pi \frac{mn}{N}} \stackrel{\text{DFT}}{\iff} X_k = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[k-m-lN]$$

Fact: This transform pair holds  
for  $m$  outside the range  $0, \dots, N-1$ .  
Why? Because  $e^{j2\pi \frac{mn}{N}}$  is a periodic  
function of  $m$  with period  $N$ .

Example:

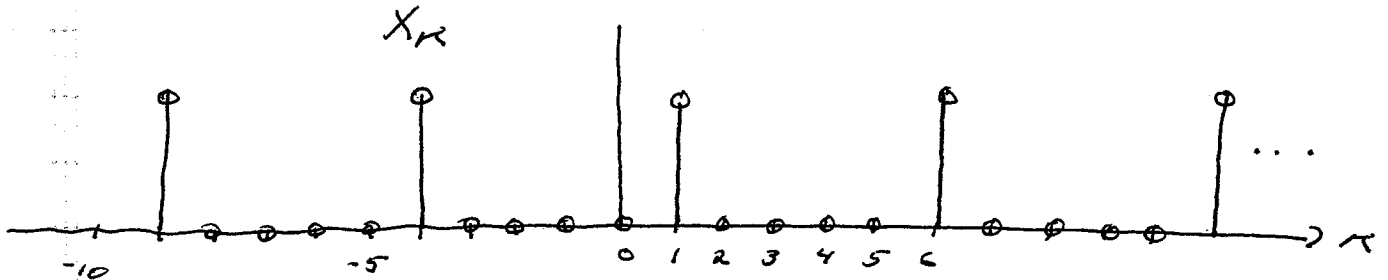
$$X[n] = \cos(2\pi mn/N)$$

$$= \frac{e^{j2\pi mn/N} + e^{-j2\pi mn/N}}{2}$$

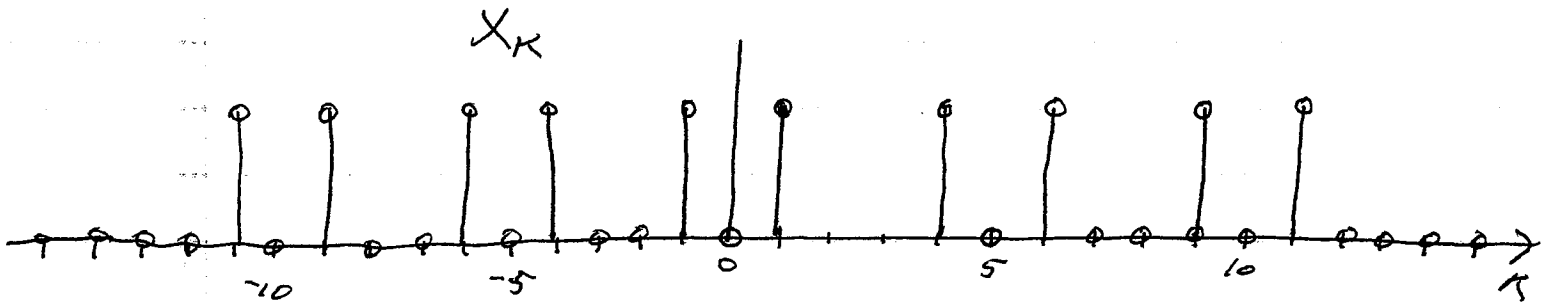
$$X_K = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \left\{ \delta[K-m-lN] + \delta[K+m-lN] \right\}$$

$$\underline{N=5 \quad m=1}$$

$$X[n] = e^{j2\pi \frac{n}{5}} \Leftrightarrow X_K$$



$$X[n] = \cos(2\pi mn/N) \Leftrightarrow X_K$$



Example pulse

$$x[n] = u[n] - u[n-P] \quad \text{for } 0 \leq n < N$$

$$X_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j2\pi \frac{kn}{N}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{P-1} x[n] e^{-j2\pi \frac{kn}{N}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \frac{1 - e^{-j2\pi \frac{kP}{N}}}{1 - e^{-j2\pi \frac{k}{N}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \frac{e^{-j2\pi \frac{kP}{2N}} \left( e^{j2\pi \frac{kP}{2N}} - e^{-j2\pi \frac{kP}{2N}} \right)}{e^{-j2\pi \frac{k}{2N}} \left( e^{j2\pi \frac{k}{2N}} - e^{-j2\pi \frac{k}{2N}} \right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} e^{-j2\pi \frac{k}{N} \frac{(P-1)}{2}} \frac{\sin(2\pi kP/2N)}{\sin(2\pi k/2N)}$$

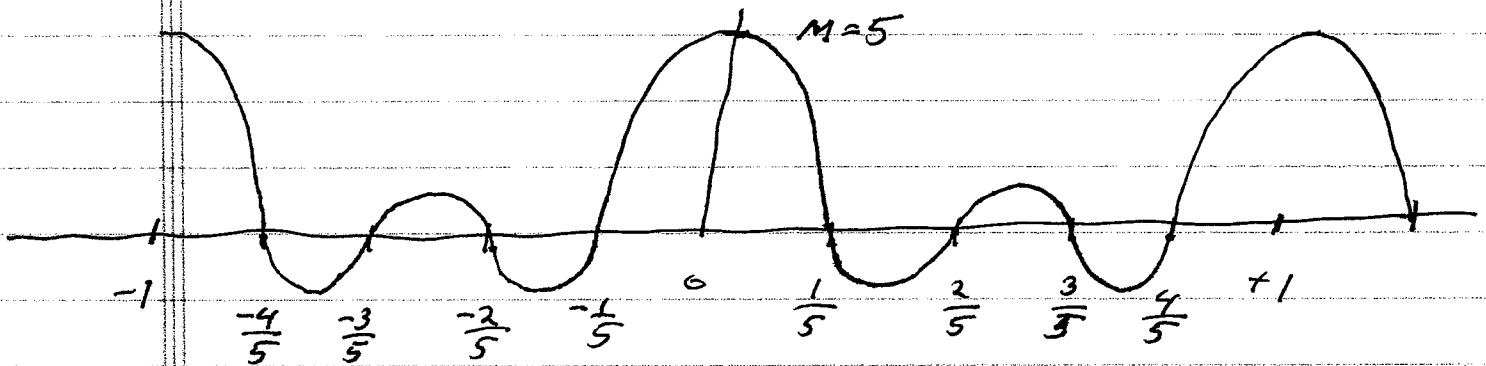
## Definition

$$p\text{sinc}_M(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi x M)}{\sin(\pi x)}$$

## Properties

- 1)  $p\text{sinc}_M(0) = M$
- 2) When  $M$  is odd,  
periodic with period 1
- 3) Nulls at  $x = \frac{l}{M}$  for  $l$  an integer

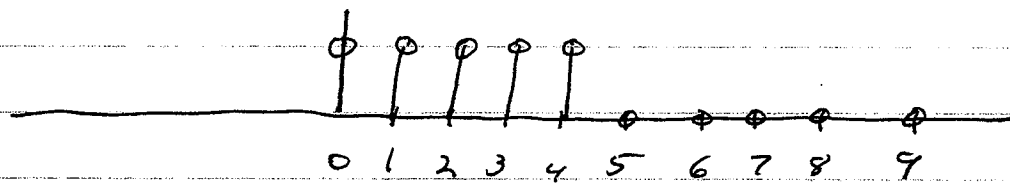
$$M=5$$



• Like a sinc function, but periodic with period 1.

Consider case when  $P$  is odd

$$P = 5, N = 10$$



$$\text{Center position} = \frac{P-1}{2} = \frac{5-1}{2} = 2$$

$$X[n] = u[n] - u[n-N]$$

DFT

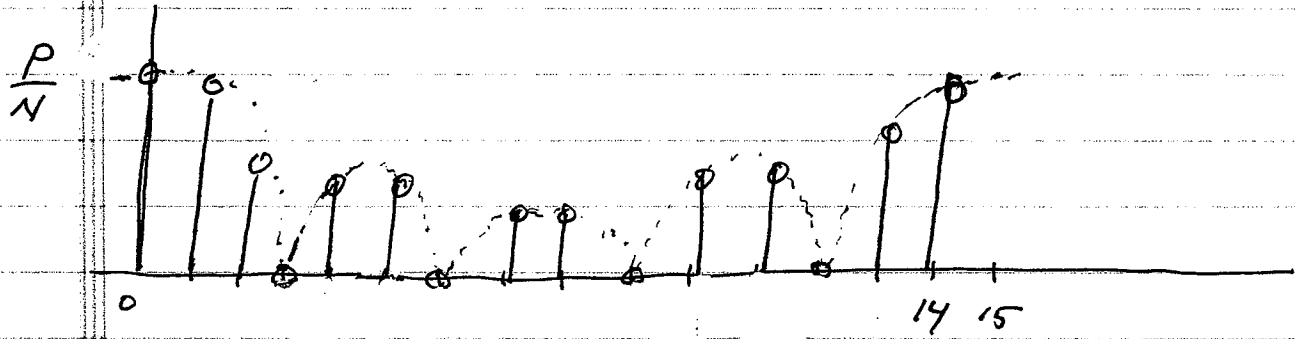
$$\Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\frac{1}{N} e^{-j2\pi \frac{K}{N} \left(\frac{P-1}{2}\right)}}_{\text{phase delay of } \frac{P-1}{2}} \underbrace{\frac{\sin(2\pi K P / (2N))}{\sin(2\pi K / (2N))}}_{p \text{SINC}_p(K/N)}$$

$$X_K = \frac{1}{N} e^{-j2\pi \frac{K}{N} \left(\frac{P-1}{2}\right)} p \text{SINC}_p(K/N)$$

$$|X_K| = \frac{1}{N} |p \text{SINC}_p(K/N)|$$

$|X_k|$

$p=5 \quad N=15$



## DFT PAIRS

$$x[n] = 1 \xleftrightarrow{\text{DFT}} X_k = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[k - lN]$$

$$x[n] = e^{j2\pi mn/N} \xleftrightarrow{\text{DFT}} X_k = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[k - m - lN]$$

$$x[n] = \cos(2\pi mn/N) \xleftrightarrow{\text{DFT}} X_k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \left\{ \delta[k - m - lN] + \delta[k + m - lN] \right\}$$

$$x[n] = \sin(2\pi mn/N) \xleftrightarrow{\text{DFT}} X_k = \frac{1}{2j} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \left\{ \delta[k - m - lN] - \delta[k + m - lN] \right\}$$

$$x[n] = u(n) - u(n-p) \xleftrightarrow{\text{DFT}}$$

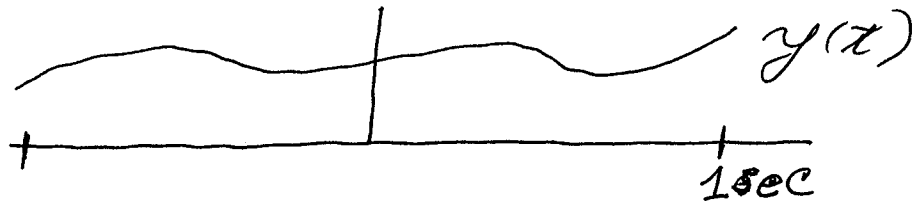
$$X_k = \frac{1}{N} e^{-j2\pi \frac{k}{N} \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)} \text{psinc}_p(k/N)$$



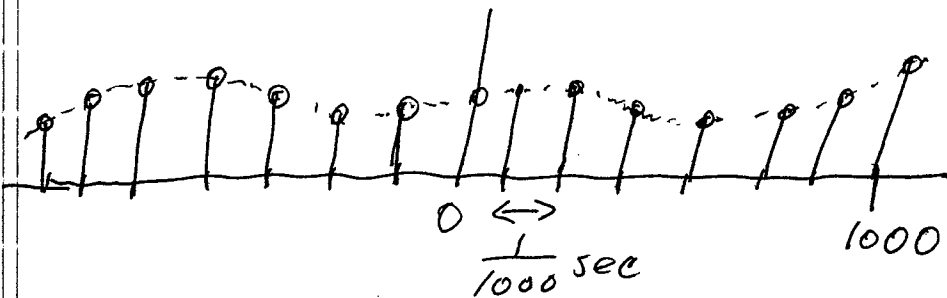
# Example

$$y(t) = \sin(2\pi 50t) + 0.5 \sin(2\pi 20t)$$

Sampling Rate 1000 Hz (samples/sec)



$$x_n = y(Tn) \quad T = \frac{1}{1000} \text{ sec}$$



We observe the signal from  $0 \leq t < 1 \text{ sec}$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq n \leq \frac{1 \text{ sec}}{T \text{ sec}} = 1000 = N$$

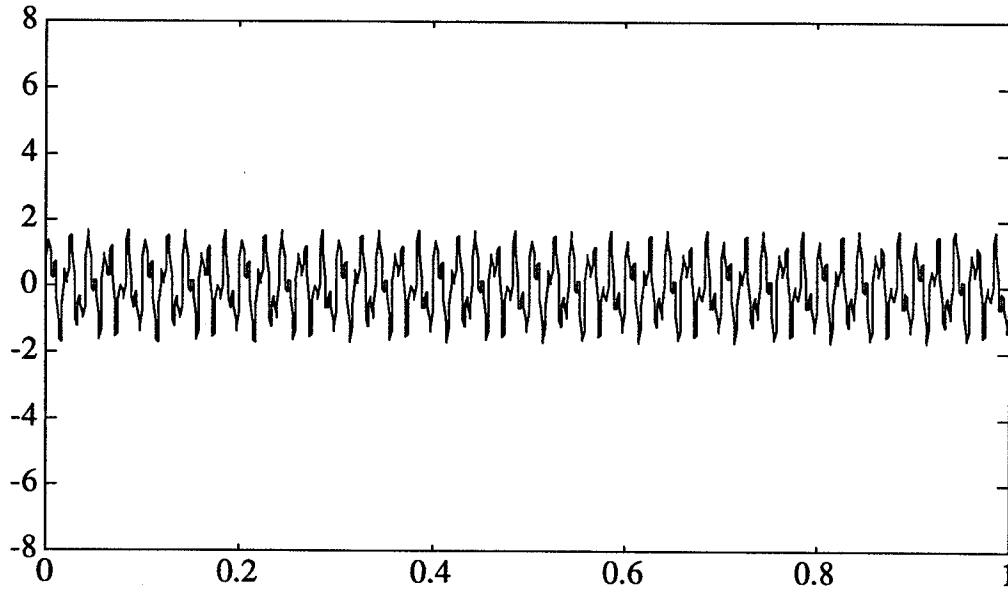
$$x_n = \sin\left(2\pi \frac{50}{1000} n\right) + \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{20}{1000} n\right)$$

$$0 \leq n \leq N-1$$

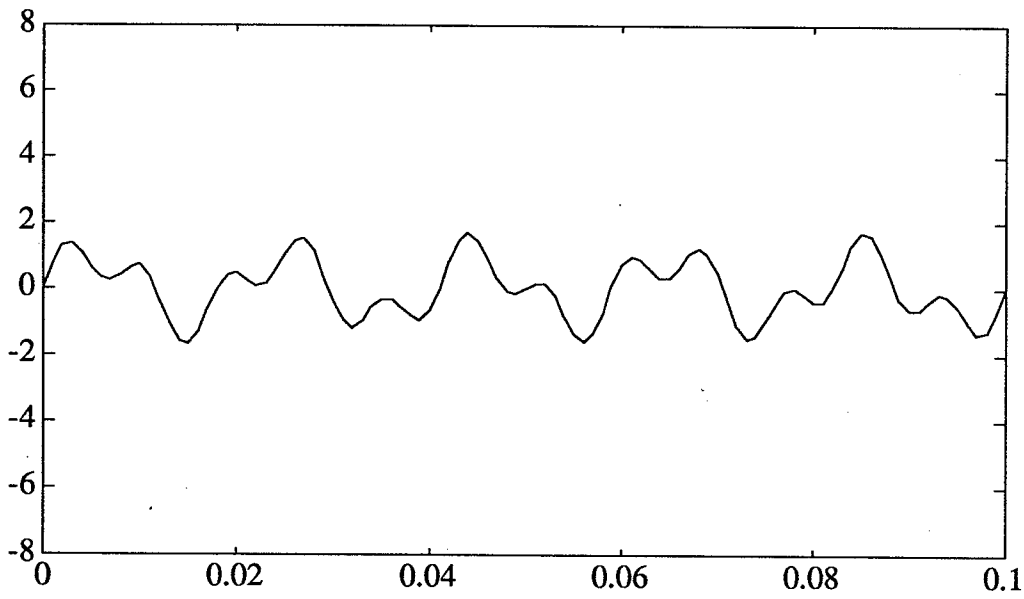
DFT  $X_n = is$

$$a_k = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2j} & \text{if } k = 50 \\ -\frac{1}{2j} & \text{if } k = 1000 - 50 \\ \frac{1}{4j} & \text{if } k = 20 \\ -\frac{1}{4j} & \text{if } k = 1000 - 20 \end{cases}$$

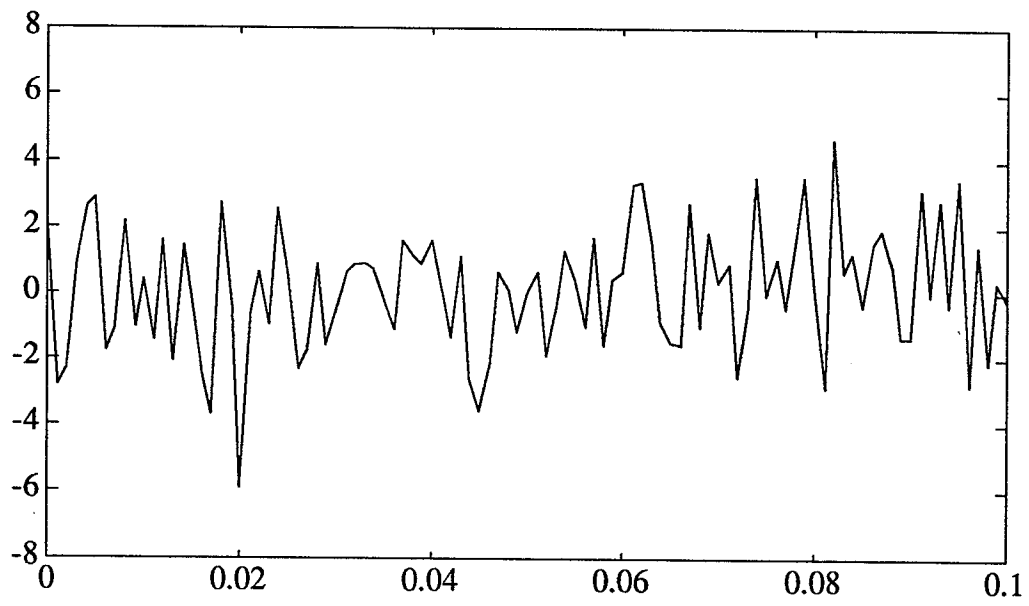
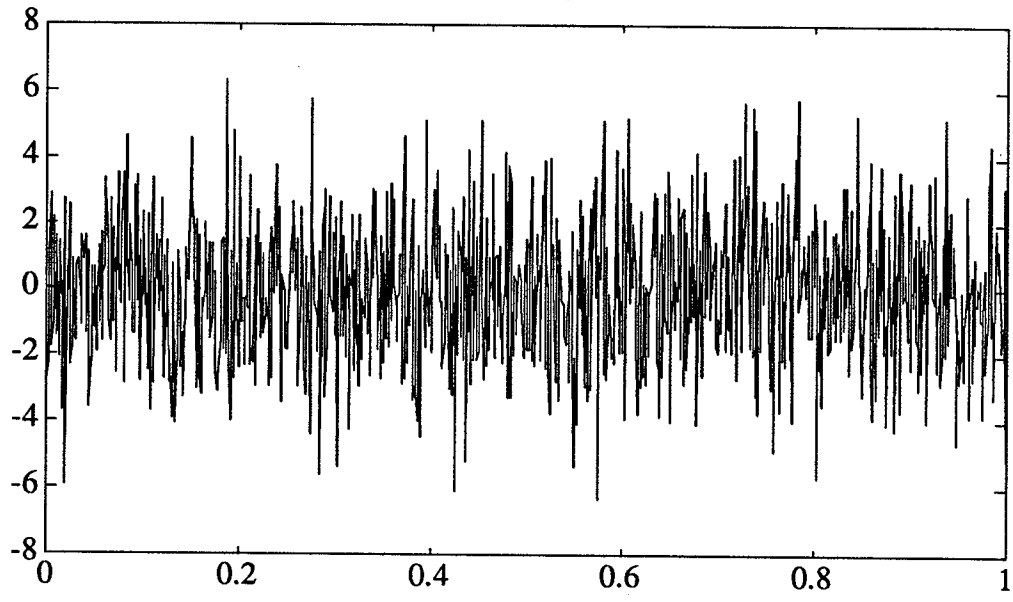
**SIGNAL:**  $y(t) = \sin(2\pi 50 t) + 0.5 \sin(2\pi 120 t)$



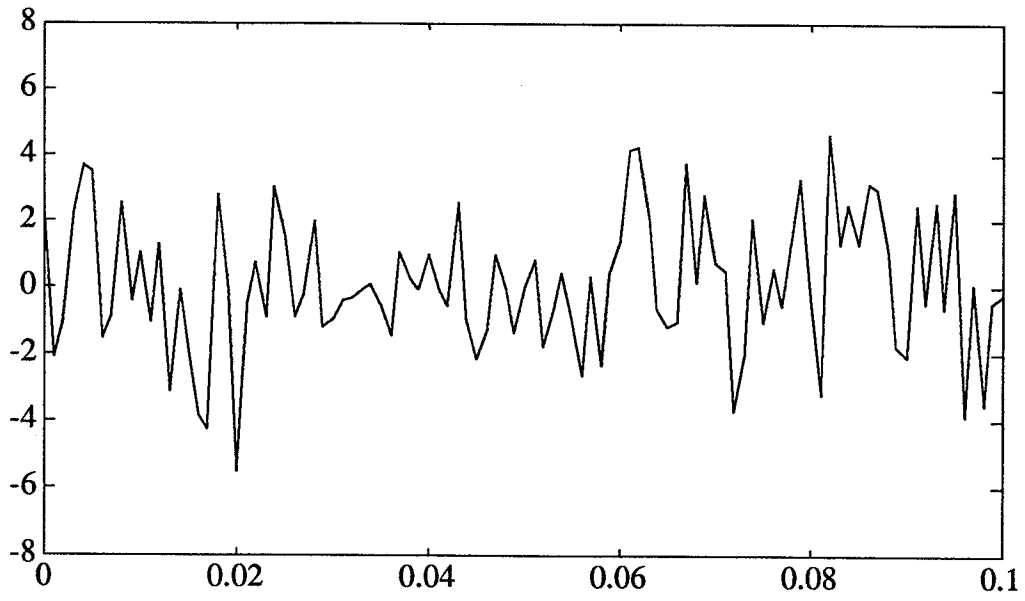
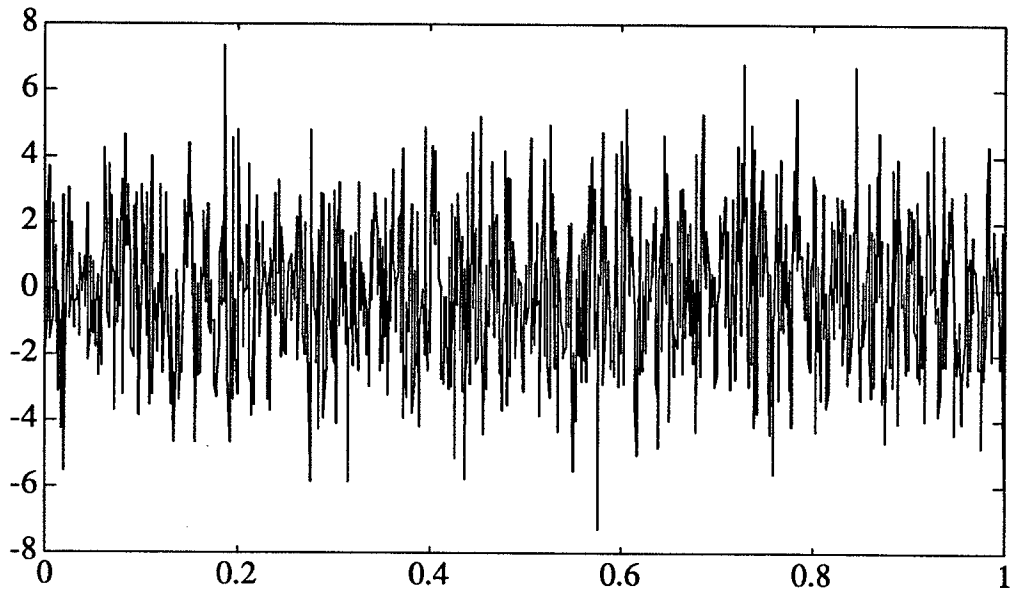
**Sampling Rate  
= 1000 Hz**



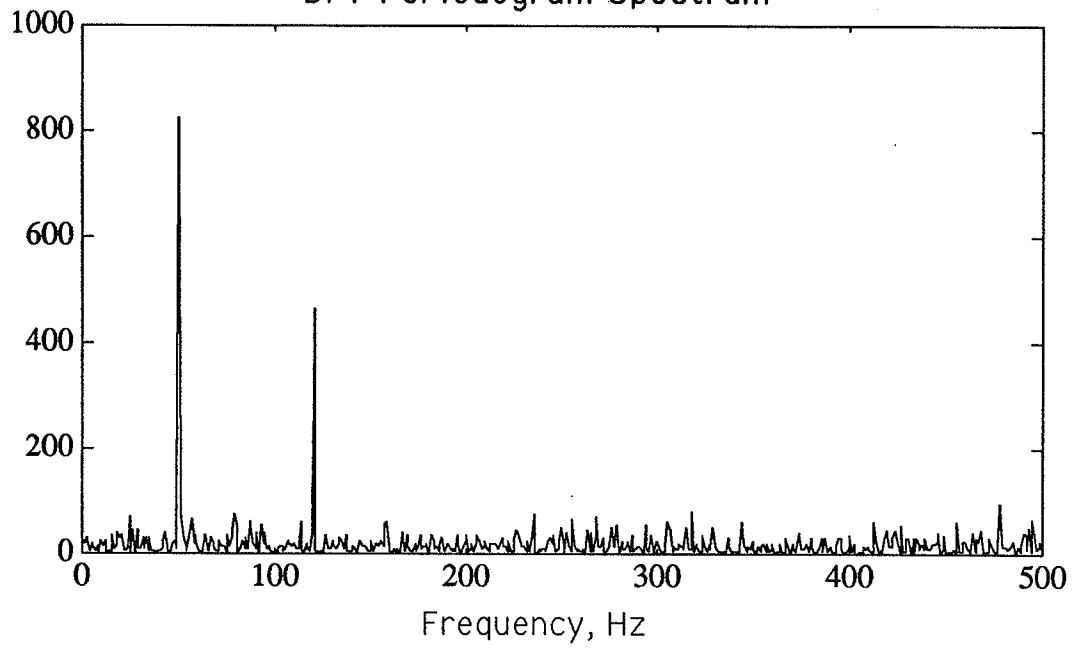
**NOISE:** i.i.d. zero-mean unit-variance Gaussians



# SIGNAL + NOISE



DFT Periodogram Spectrum



## DFT properties

Time domain convolution  $\iff$  Frequency domain multiplication

If  $x_n$  and  $y_n$  are periodic DT signals

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x_k y_{n-k} = \infty$$

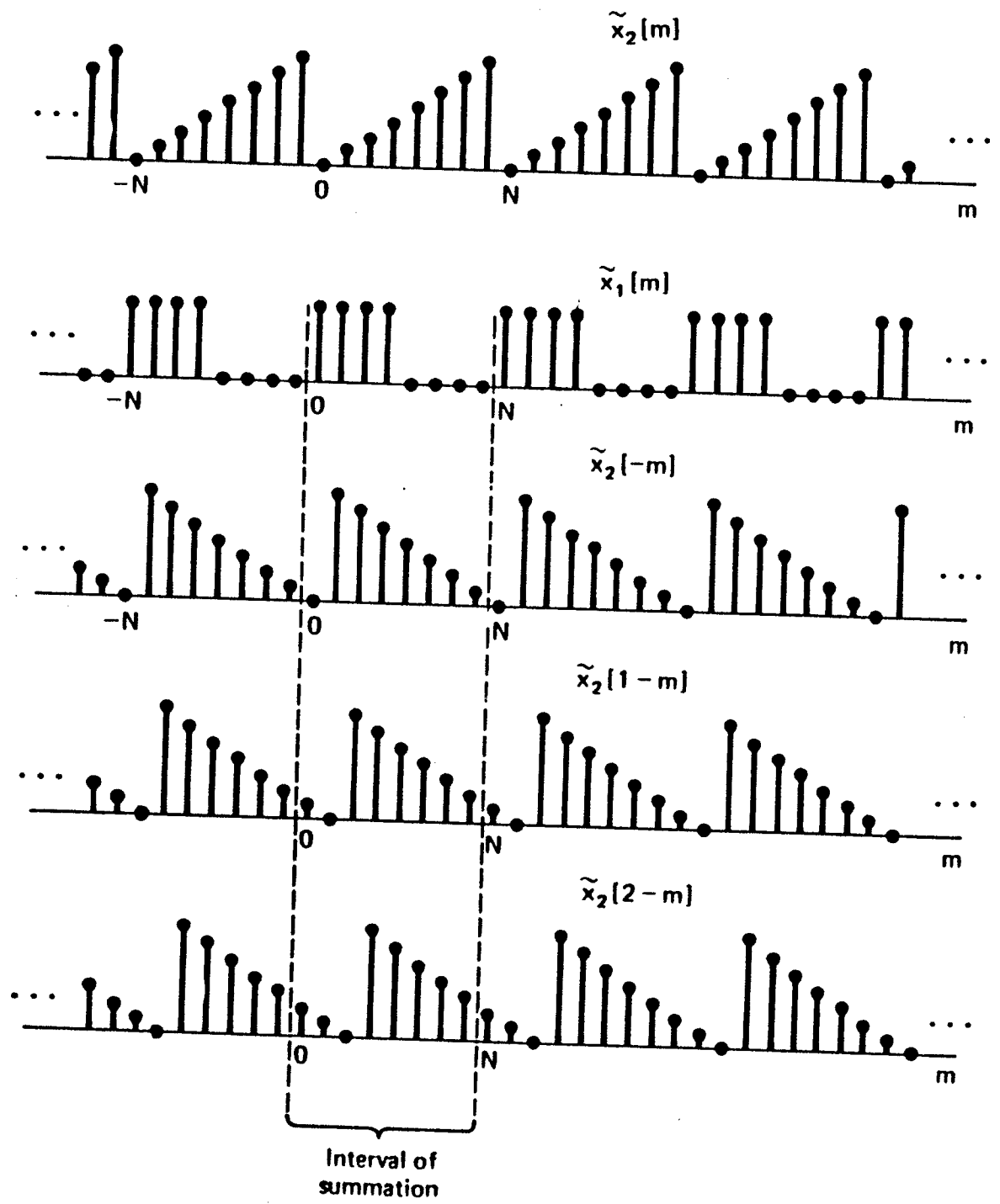
Instead we use periodic convolution

$$x_n \circledast y_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k y_{n-k} = z_n$$

$$Z_k = X_k Y_k$$

1. Periodic Convolution

$$x_n \circledast y_n \iff N X_k Y_k$$



**Figure 5.22** Procedure in forming the periodic convolution of two periodic sequences.



# Periodic Convolution

1)  $\tilde{x}_n$  and  $\tilde{y}_n$  are periodic

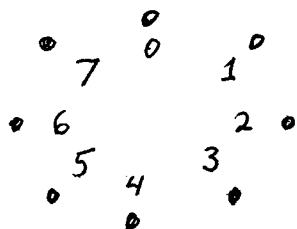
$$\tilde{x}_n \circledast \tilde{y}_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \tilde{x}_k \tilde{y}_{n-k}$$

2)  $x_n$  and  $y_n$  defined for  $n=0, \dots, N-1$

We need a new operation

$$\begin{array}{l} n \text{ mod } N \\ \uparrow \\ \text{modulo} \end{array} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \# \text{ between } 0 \text{ and } N-1 \\ \text{such that} \\ n = KN + n \text{ mod } N \\ \text{for } K \text{ an integer} \end{array} \right.$$

Interpretation for  $N=8$



to calculate  $n \text{ mod } 8$  move  $n$  positions clockwise

$$1 \text{ mod } 8 = 1$$

$$8 \text{ mod } 8 = 0$$

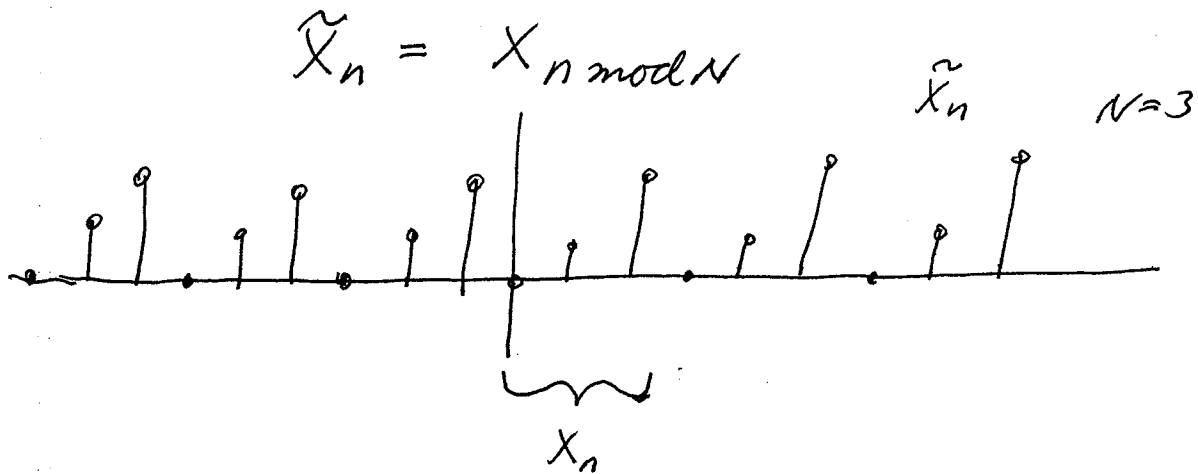
$$9 \text{ mod } 8 = 1$$

$$17 \text{ mod } 8 = 1$$

$$-1 \text{ mod } 8 = 7$$

The periodic version of  $x_n$  is given by

$$\tilde{x}_n = x_{n \bmod N}$$

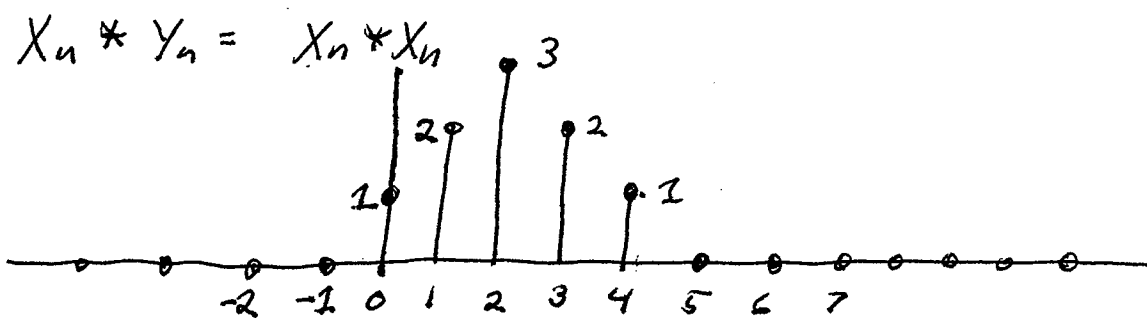
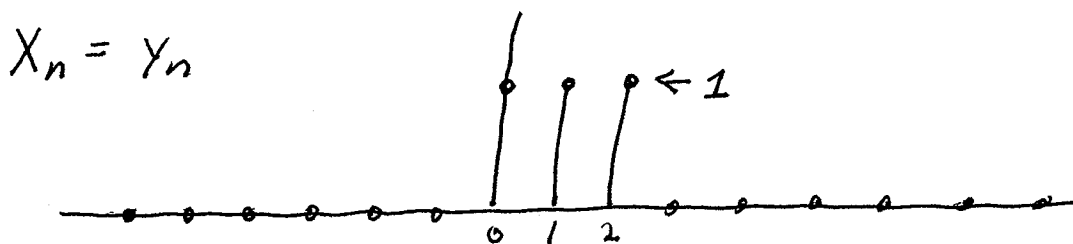


$$x_n \circledast y_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \tilde{x}_k \tilde{y}_{n-k}$$

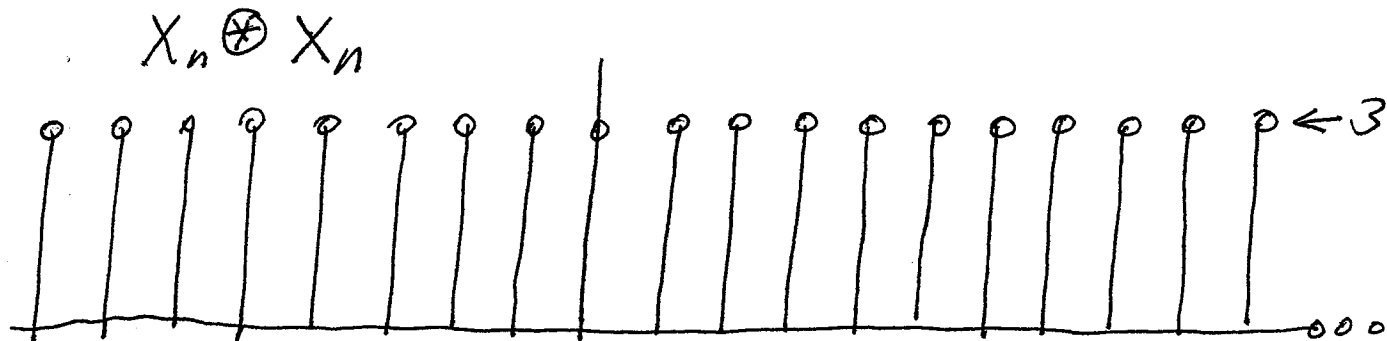
$$x_n \circledast y_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k y_{(n-k) \bmod N}$$

## Example

We would like to compute the standard convolution of  $X_n$  and  $Y_n$  using the DFT.



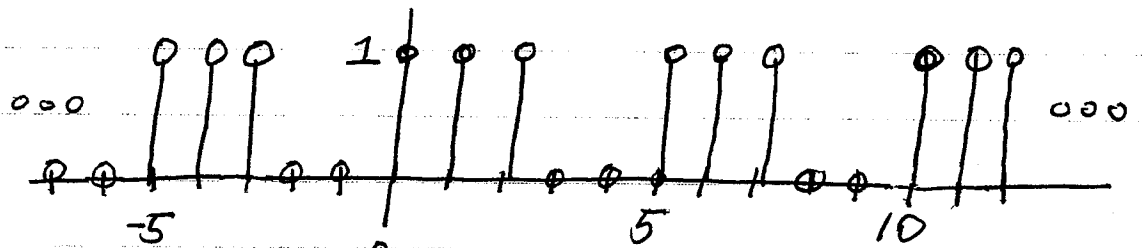
We can use the DFT to compute the cyclic convolution for  $N=3$



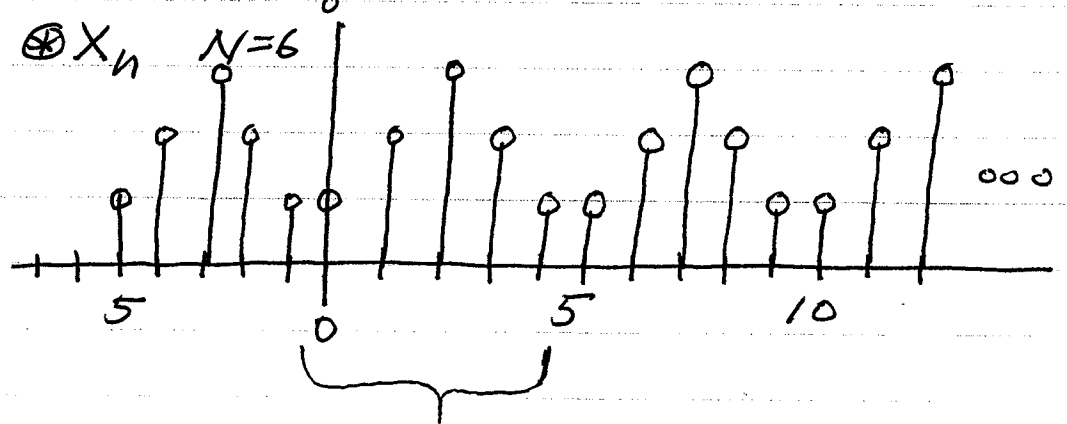
Why because  $X_{n \bmod 3} = 1$  for all  $n$ !

Answer: Pick  $N \geq 2 \cdot 3 - 1 = 5$

$$\tilde{X}_n = X_{n \bmod N}$$



$$Z_n = X_n \oplus X_n \quad N=6$$



Result of DFT  
are in samples  $n=0, \dots, 4$   
 $\hat{=} N-1$

$$X_n * X_n = \begin{cases} Z_n & \text{for } 0 \leq n < 5 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

↑  
normal convolution

## Computation

If  $x_n$  has length  $M$

Direct computation requires

$$(2M+1)^2 \text{ operations} \\ \text{(multiplies)}$$

DFT computation requires

$$2(2M-1 \text{ point DFT})$$

$$+ 2M-1 \text{ multiplies}$$

$$+ 1(2M-1 \text{ point DFT}^{-1})$$

(FFT)

$$= 2(2M-1) \log(2M-1) \quad (2 \text{ forward DFTs})$$

$$+ (2M-1) \quad (\text{weights})$$

$$+ (2M-1) \log(2M-1) \quad (1 \text{ inverse DFT})$$

$$= 3(2M-1)(\log(2M-1) + 1)$$

much less for large  $M$ !

$$\boxed{\text{order } M \log M}$$

## 2. Duality

$$\text{DFT}\{g_n\} = F_k$$

$$\text{DFT}\{F_k\} = \frac{1}{N} g_{-k}$$

+ A Bunch more properties

Just remember - Treat  $x_n$  as one period of a periodic signal.