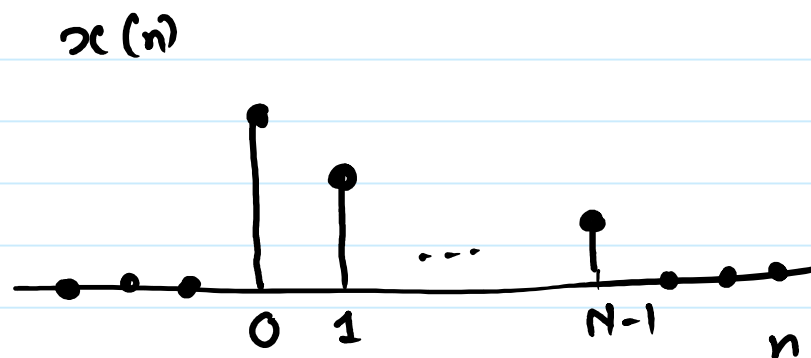


# Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

- Most practically used tool in Fourier analysis

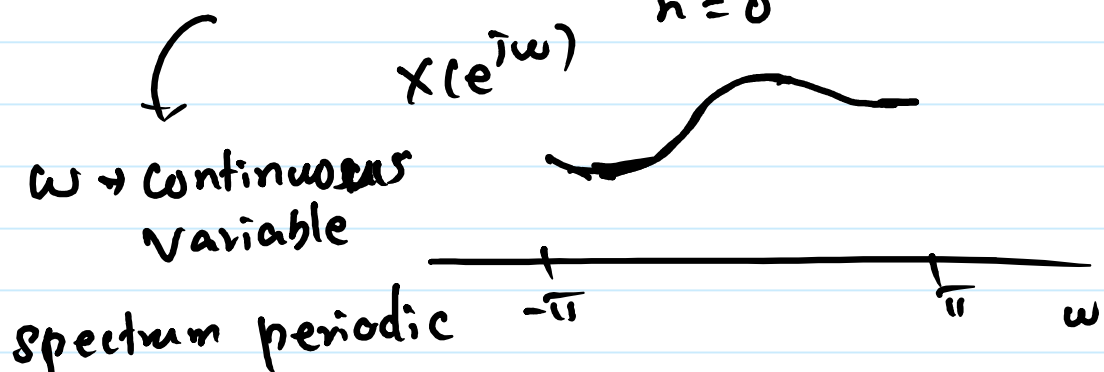
Consider a finite length sequence

$$x(n) = 0 \quad \text{for } n < 0, \\ n \geq N$$



Its spectrum

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j\omega n}$$



# Question:

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Can we get full information  
of  $x(n)$  using few samples  
of the spectrum?

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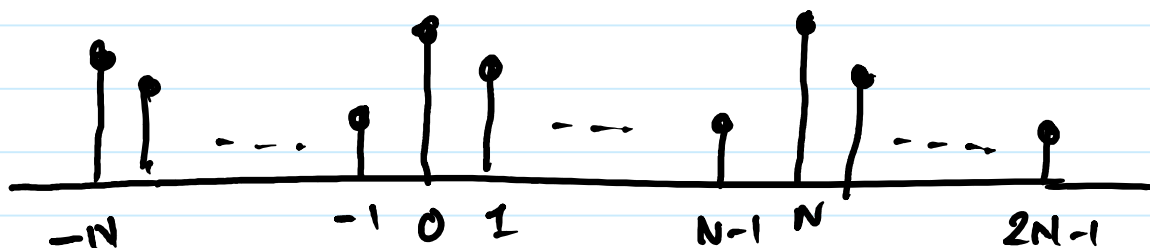
Consider a related problem:

Consider a periodic signal  $\tilde{x}(n)$   
with period  $N$

such that

$$\tilde{x}(n) = \begin{cases} x(n) & 0 \leq n \leq N-1 \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{x}(n+N) = \tilde{x}(n)$$



$\tilde{x}(n)$  is  $x(n)$  repeated periodically

$\tilde{x}(n)$  is identical to  $x(n)$   
for  $n=0$  to  $N-1$

$\tilde{x}(n)$  and  $x(n)$  have some  
information

knowing  $x(n)$  we can get  $\tilde{x}(n)$   
and vice versa.

Questions:

- What is the spectrum of  $\tilde{x}(n)$ ?
- How is spectrum of  $\tilde{x}(n)$   
is related to spectrum of  $x(n)$ ?

We introduce Discrete Fourier Series  
(DFS)

to answer these questions!

# Discrete Fourier Series

$\tilde{x}(n)$  is periodic

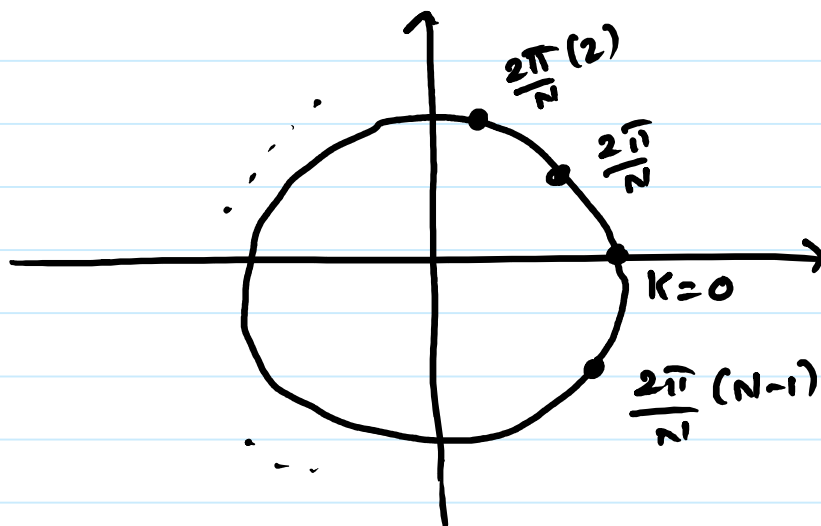
Time Period  $N$  (samples)

fundamental frequency  $\frac{2\pi}{N}$  radians/sample

$\tilde{x}(n)$  can be written as weighted sum of

Complex exponentials of fundamental freq. & its harmonics

$k^{\text{th}}$  harmonic :  $e^{j \frac{2\pi}{N} k n}$



Note that there are only  $N$  distinct harmonics



$$\left\{ e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn} \quad ; \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \right\}$$

are the  $N$  distinct harmonics

$k = N$  is same as  $k = 0$

$k = N+1$  is same as  $k = 1$

$k = -1$  is same as  $k = N-1$

and so on

Hence

$$\tilde{x}(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{a_k}{N} e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

$\frac{a_k}{N} \rightarrow$  Fourier coefficient of  $k^{\text{th}}$  harmonic

Note  $\frac{1}{N}$  is there for convenience.

Now,  $a_k$  is computed as

$$a_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \tilde{x}(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

Proof:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \tilde{x}(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

$n=0$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left( \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \frac{a_l}{N} e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}ln} \right) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}nk}$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} a_l \underbrace{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}(l-k)n}}_{= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k=l \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}}$$

$$= a_k$$

□

## Summarizing

DFS

$$a_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \tilde{x}(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

$$k=0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$\tilde{x}(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

$$n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$-\infty < n < \infty$$

Spectrum of  $\tilde{x}(n)$  has  
only  $N$  frequencies  
(harmonics)

$\tilde{X}(e^{j\omega})$  be spectrum of  $\tilde{x}(n)$

$$\tilde{X}(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k 2\pi \delta\left(\omega - \frac{2\pi}{N}k\right)$$

$$0 \leq \omega \leq 2\pi$$

and this gets repeated periodically.



Since  $x(n)$  coincides with  $\tilde{x}(n)$  in the interval  $n=0, 1, \dots, N-1$  we have the following

$$\text{DFT} \rightarrow X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}nk}$$

$$0 \leq k \leq N-1$$

$$\text{Inverse DFT} \rightarrow x(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

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

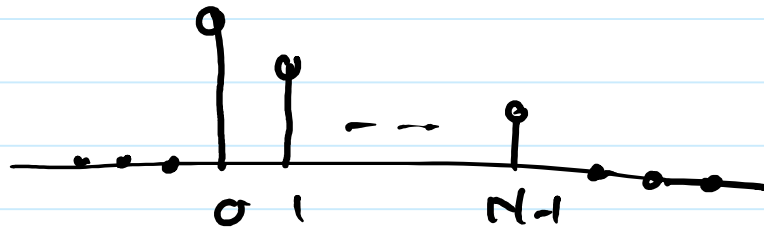
In the inverse DFT, we restrict our time index  $n$  from 0 to  $N-1$

If we extend the time index beyond these values, we get periodic signal  $\tilde{x}(n)$

$$\{x[k], 0 \leq k \leq N-1\}$$

are referred as  
DFT coefficients

How are the DFT coefficients  
related to spectrum of  $x(n)$ ?



Finite duration  $x(n)$  is 0 for  $\begin{cases} n \geq N \\ n < 0 \end{cases}$

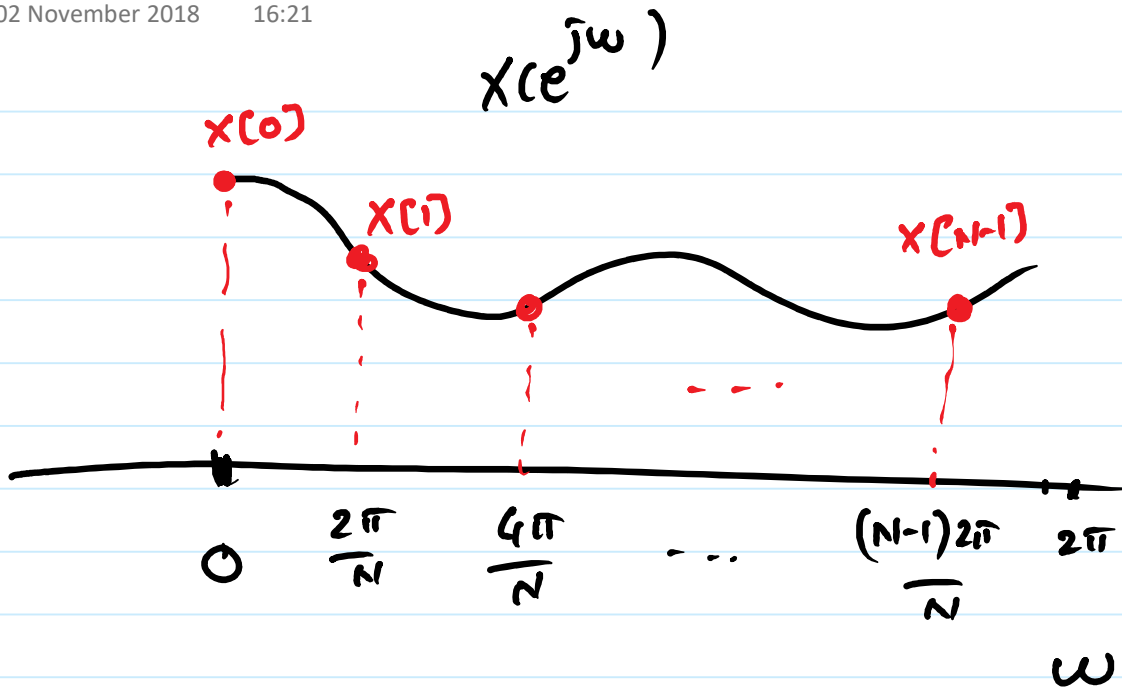
$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j\omega n}$$

Note: 
$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

Hence 
$$X(k) = X(e^{j\omega}) \Big|_{\omega = \frac{2\pi k}{N}}$$

$$k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

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For a finite duration signal ( $N$  length)

DFT coefficients are

identical to the  $N$

equally spaced

samples in the spectrum

DFT is equivalent to

sampling the DTFT

(equi spaced)

$N$  length time domain signal

$\Leftrightarrow$   $N$  equi spaced samples in spectrum  
(equivalent)

## Matrix Representation of DFT

Consider  $N$ -length signal

$$x(n) = \{x(0), \dots, x(N-1)\}$$

↑

Consider the  $N$ -DFT coefficients

$$X[k] = \{X[0], X[1], \dots, X[N-1]\}$$

Let us define vectors of signal & DFT coeff.

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ x(1) \\ \vdots \\ x(N-1) \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{X} = \begin{bmatrix} X[0] \\ X[1] \\ \vdots \\ X[N-1] \end{bmatrix}$$

$N \times 1$   $N \times 1$

Recall

$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}nk}$$

$$X[k] = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}k(0)} & e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}k(1)} & \dots & e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}k(N-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ x(1) \\ \vdots \\ x(N-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

Stacking  $X[k]$ ,  $k=0, \dots, N-1$

DFT coefficients  
↓

Signal Samples  
↓

$$\begin{bmatrix} X[0] \\ X[1] \\ \vdots \\ X[N-1] \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}(0)(0)} & \dots & e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}(0)(N-1)} \\ e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}(1)(0)} & \dots & e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}(1)(N-1)} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}(N-1)(0)} & \dots & e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}(N-1)(N-1)} \end{bmatrix}}_{F_N} \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ x(1) \\ \vdots \\ x(N-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

N point DFT  $X = F_N x$

$F_N \rightarrow$  N point DFT matrix

Easy to verify that

Inverse matrix  $F_N^{-1} = \frac{1}{N} F_N^*$

\*  $\rightarrow$  conjugate and transpose

$$F_N^* = \begin{bmatrix} e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}(0)(0)} & \dots & e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}(N-1)(0)} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}(0)(N-1)} & & e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}(N-1)(N-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

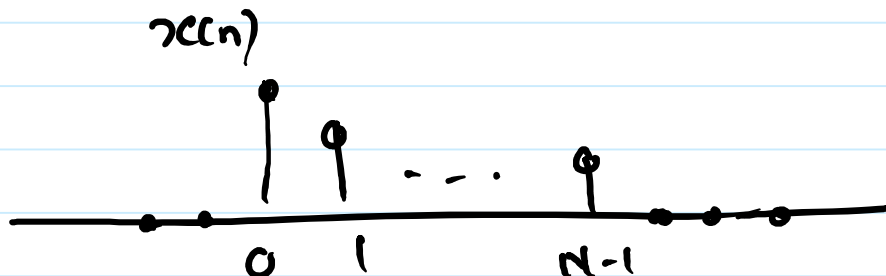
inverse DFT (N point)  $x = \frac{1}{N} F_N^* X$

From above matrix representation, we get

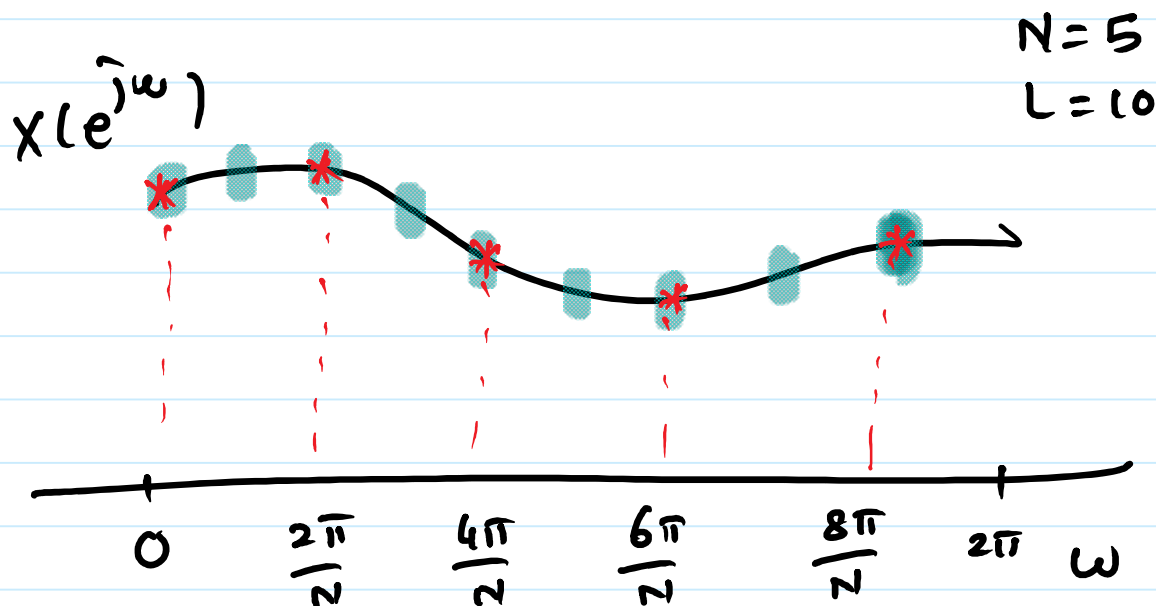
$$x(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

# Concept of zero-padding

Suppose we have  $N$  length signal



Say we compute  $N$  pt DFT of  $x(n)$

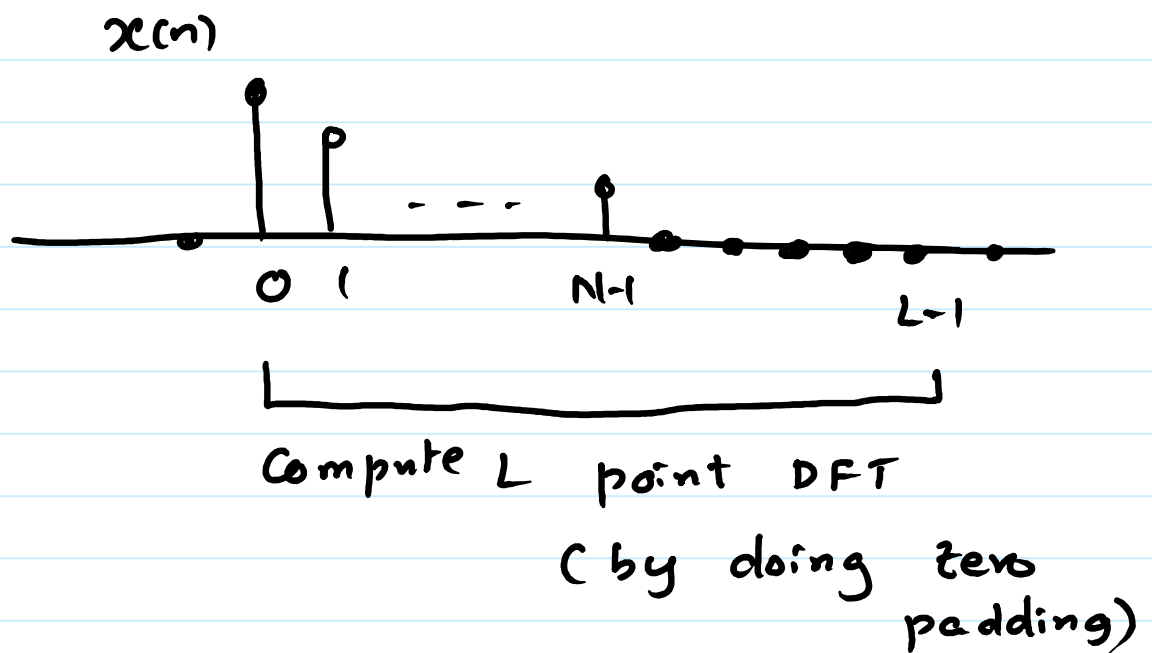


\*  $\rightarrow$  coeff of  $N$  pt DFT  
 ■  $\rightarrow$  coeff required

Suppose we want  $L$  samples of spectrum  
 ( $L > N$ )



This can be done by  
taking  $L$  pt DFT



Let  $\underline{x}_L = \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ x(1) \\ \vdots \\ x(N-1) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  }  $L-N$  zeros

$F_L \rightarrow L$  point DFT matrix

entries  $\left\{ e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{L}kn} \right\}$   $0 \leq k \leq L-1$   
 $0 \leq n \leq N-1$

$\underline{X}_L = F_L \underline{x}_L$   
 $L$  samples of spectrum

Note that

$L$  need not be  
a multiple of  $N$

By zero padding a  
finite duration signal

and taking a larger point

DFT improves the

resolution of sampling in

the spectrum.

# Properties of DFT

## ① Linearity

$x_1(n) \Rightarrow$  length  $N_1$  signal

$$\{x_1(0), x_1(1), \dots, x_1(N_1-1)\}$$

↑

$x_2(n) \Rightarrow$  length  $N_2$  signal

$$\{x_2(0), x_2(1), \dots, x_2(N_2-1)\}$$

$$\text{Let } y(n) = a x_1(n) + b x_2(n)$$

$$y(n) \Rightarrow \text{length } N_3 = \max(N_1, N_2)$$

$$\text{Choose } N \geq N_3$$

Suppose

$$x_1(n) \xrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N \text{ pt}} X_1[k]$$

$$x_2(n) \xrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N \text{ pt}} X_2[k]$$

$$y(n) \xrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N \text{ pt}} Y[k]$$

Now, we have

$$Y[k] = a X_1[k] + b X_2[k]$$

$$k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

When we talk about DFT,

The size of DFT is  
also need to be mentioned

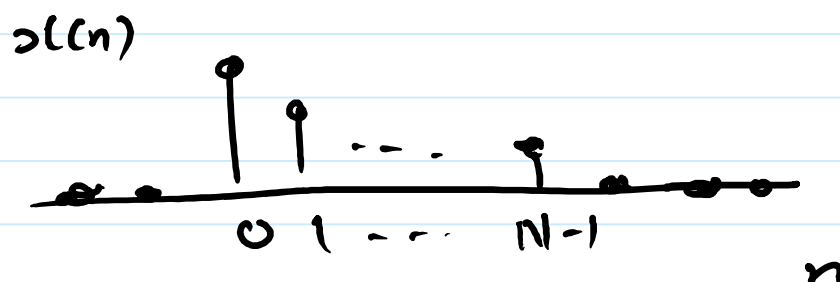
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## Property 2

Time Shifting  
(Circular)

$x(n) \rightarrow$  length  $N$  signal

$n = 0$  to  $N-1$



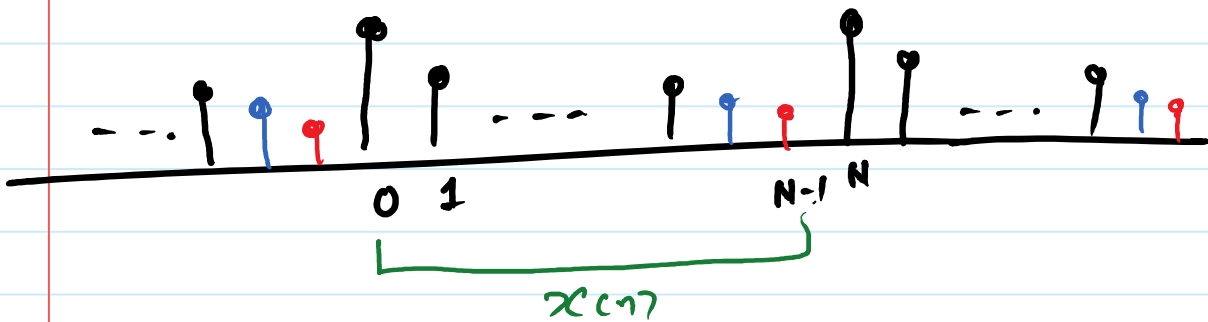
Let  $x(n) \xleftrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N \text{ pt}} X[k]$

We have

$$x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{X[k]}{N} e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

RHS is inherently periodic

$\tilde{x}(n)$



Consider time shift  $\tilde{x}(n-2)$



Time shifting  $\tilde{x}(n)$  has a circular shift on  $x(n)$

Circular shift can be represented  
using  $\text{mod}_N$  indexing

$\text{mod}_N \Rightarrow$  modulo  $N$  operation

$a \text{ mod } N \Rightarrow$  remainder when  
you divide  $a$  by  $N$

$\Rightarrow$  Note remainder should be  
from the set

$$\{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$$

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

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

$$N+1 \text{ mod } N = 1$$

$$-1 \text{ mod } N = N-1$$

$$-2 \text{ mod } N = N-2$$

and so on.

Let  $y(n)$  be circular shift  
of  $x(n)$  by 'm' units  
(samples)

$$\text{Now } y(n) = x((n-m) \bmod N)$$

$$n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$\text{Let } x(n) \xleftrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N} X[k]$$

$$\text{Let } y(n) \xleftrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N} Y[k]$$

We have

$$Y[k] = e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{N} m k} X[k]$$

# Symmetry Properties

$$(a) \quad x(n) \xrightleftharpoons[N]{\text{DFT}} X(k) \\ k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$\text{then} \quad x^*(n) \xrightleftharpoons[N]{\text{DFT}} X^*(-k \bmod N) \\ k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

In other words

$$x(n) \xrightarrow{\text{DFT}} \begin{bmatrix} x[0] \\ x[1] \\ \vdots \\ x[N-1] \end{bmatrix}$$

ordered set

$$x^*(n) \xrightarrow{\text{DFT}} \begin{bmatrix} x^*[0] \\ x^*[N-1] \\ x^*[N-2] \\ \vdots \\ x^*[1] \end{bmatrix}$$



$$x(n) \xleftrightarrow{\text{DFT}} X(k)$$

$$(b) \quad x(-n \bmod N)$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{\text{DFT}} X^*[k]$$

$$x(-n \bmod N)$$

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

(c) If  $x(n)$  is real valued

$$x(n) = x^*(n)$$

then

$$X(k) = X^*(-k \bmod N)$$

that is

$$X(k) = X^*[N-k]$$

$$X(0) = X^*[0] \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

(d) If  $x(n)$  is even symmetry

$$x(n) = x(N-n) \quad n=1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

$$\text{then } X[k] = X^*[k]$$

That is, DFT coefficients are real.

### Circular Convolution Property

$x_1(n) \rightarrow$  length  $N$  signal

$x_2(n) \rightarrow$  length  $N$  signal

$$\text{Let } x_1(n) \xrightleftharpoons[\text{DFT}]{N \text{ pt}} X_1[k]$$

$$x_2(n) \xrightleftharpoons[\text{DFT}]{N \text{ pt}} X_2[k]$$

$$\text{Let } Y[k] = X_1[k] X_2[k]$$

Product of DFT  
coeff.

$\&$   $y(n)$  be time domain signal

Corresponding to DFT with  $Y[k]$

$$y(n) \xleftrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N} Y[k]$$

How is  $y(n)$  related  
to  $x_1(n)$ ,  $x_2(n)$ ?

Answer:

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_1(k) x_2(n-k \text{ mod } N)$$

$$n = 0, \dots, N-1$$



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circular  
shift

This is called  
circular convolution

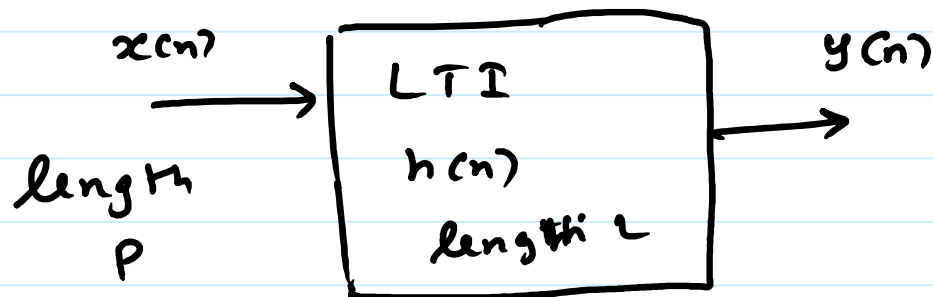
$$y(n) = x_1(n) \textcircled{N} x_2(n)$$

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Notation

(length  $N$   
circular  
convolution)

How to implement linear convolution using DFT ?



$$x(n) = \{x(0), x(1), \dots, x(P-1)\}$$

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$$h(n) = \{h(0), h(1), \dots, h(L-1)\}$$

↑

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

linear  
convolution  
 $P-1$

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{P-1} x(k) h(n-k)$$

$$n = 0, 1, \dots, L+P-1$$

$$y(n) \rightarrow \text{length } L+P-1$$

Choose

$$N \geq L + P - 1$$

Now,

$$\text{Let } x(n) \xleftrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N \text{ pt}} X[k]$$

zero pad

$$h(n) \xleftrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N \text{ pt}} H[k]$$

zero pad

$$\text{Compute } V[k] = X[k] H[k]$$

$k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$

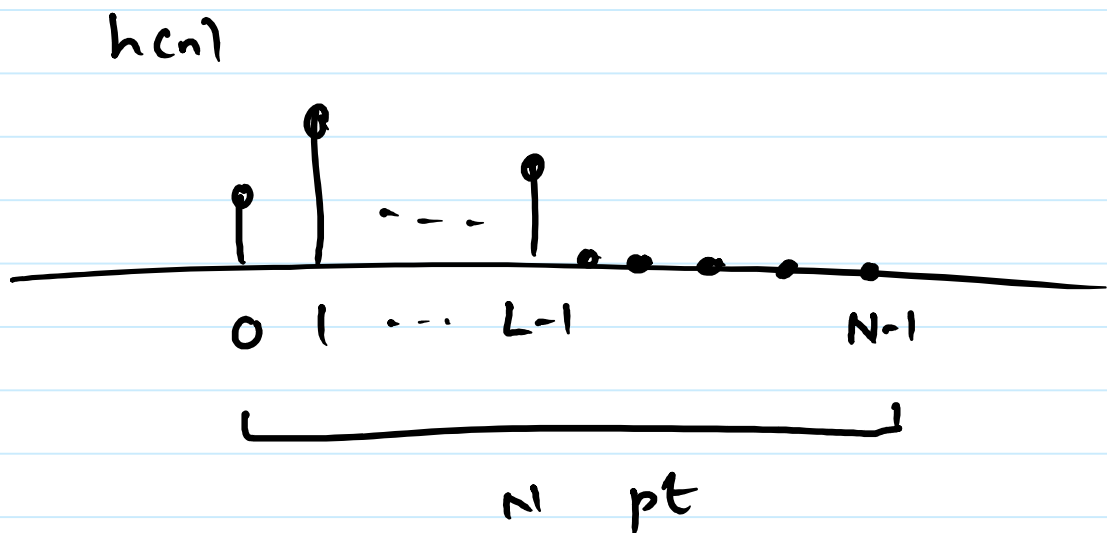
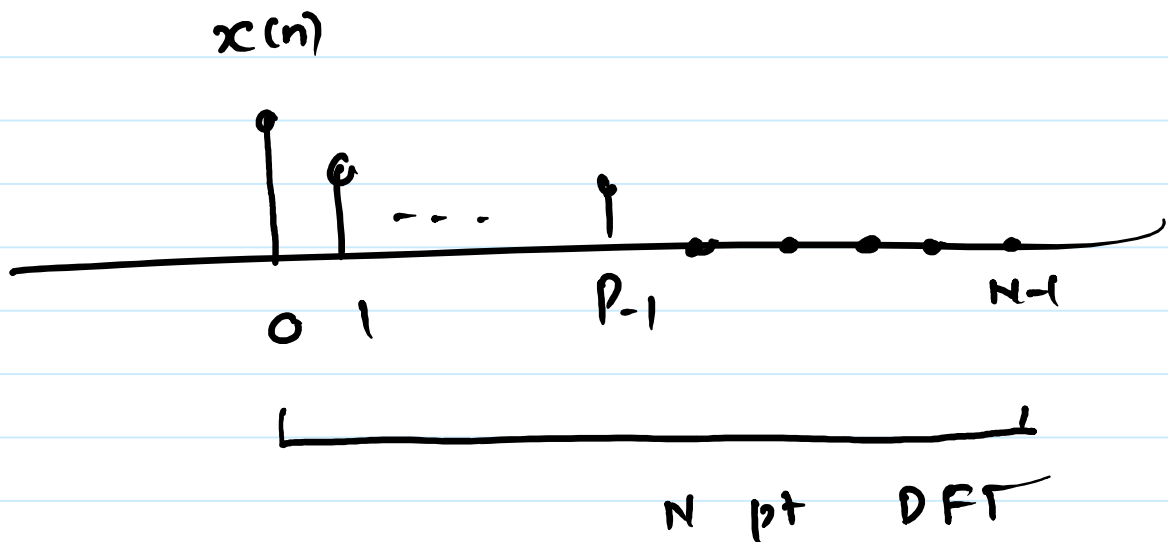
Let  $v(n)$  be inverse DFT of  $V[k]$ 

$$v(n) \xleftrightarrow[\text{DFT}]{N \text{ pt}} V[k]$$

$$\text{Claim: } v(n) = y(n)$$

with sufficient zero padding,

linear convolution can  
be obtained thru  
circular convolution



Due to presence of  
zeros, circular shifting  
becomes equivalent to  
linear time shifting

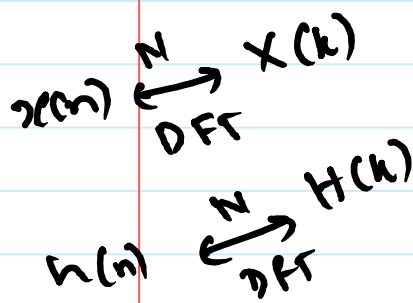
Proof:

Easy to interpret in DFT domain

We know

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

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) = X(e^{j\omega}) H(e^{j\omega})$$



$$y(n) \xrightarrow{\text{N pt DFT}} Y(k)$$

$N \geq L+P-1$   
(length of  $y(n)$ )

$$\begin{aligned} Y(k) &= Y(e^{j\omega}) \Big|_{\omega = \frac{2\pi}{N}k} \\ &= X(e^{j\omega}) H(e^{j\omega}) \Big|_{\omega = \frac{2\pi}{N}k} \\ &= X[k] H[k] \end{aligned}$$

$$Y(k) = V[k], \quad k=0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$\text{So } y(n) = v(n), \quad n=0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

