

# **Signals, Instruments, and Systems – W5**

## **Introduction to Signal Processing – Bode Plots, Z-Transform, Digital Filters, Order and Type of Filters**

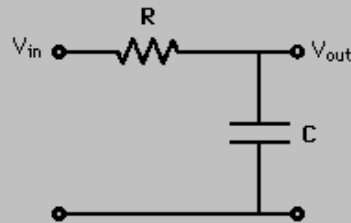
# Outline

- Bode plots
- Z-transform and frequency responses/transfer functions of time-discrete systems
- Digital filters in time and frequency domains
- FIR and IIR filters
- Filter order and type

# Bode Plots

# Transfer Function of an Analog Low-Pass Filter

Circuit



Analog filter

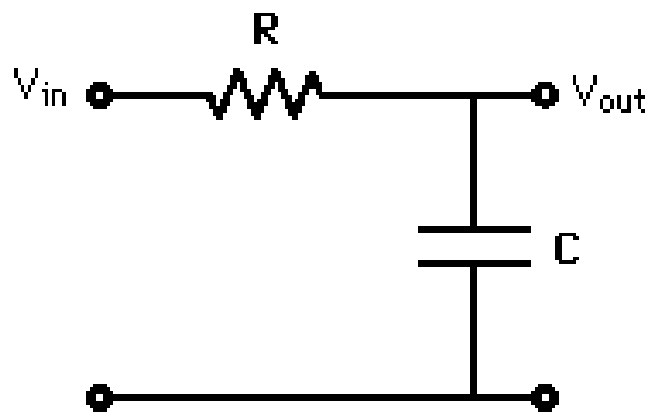
Laplace Tr.

$$H(s) = \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{\overbrace{1}^{\text{Numerator}}}{\underbrace{1 + sRC}_{\text{Denominator}}}$$

See also W4, s. 43

# Analog Low-Pass Filter – From Transfer Function to Frequency Response

From W4, s. 44



$$H(s) = \frac{1}{1 + sRC}$$

$$H(s = i\omega) = H(\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega RC}$$

**Magnitude:**

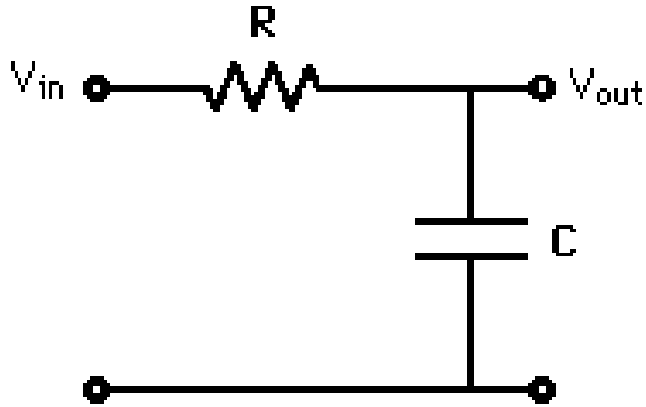
$$|H(\omega)| = \left| \frac{1}{1 + i\omega RC} \right| = \frac{1}{|1 + i\omega RC|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}}$$

**Phase:**

$$\angle H(\omega) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\text{Im}[H(\omega)]}{\text{Re}[H(\omega)]} \right) = \tan^{-1}(-\omega RC)$$

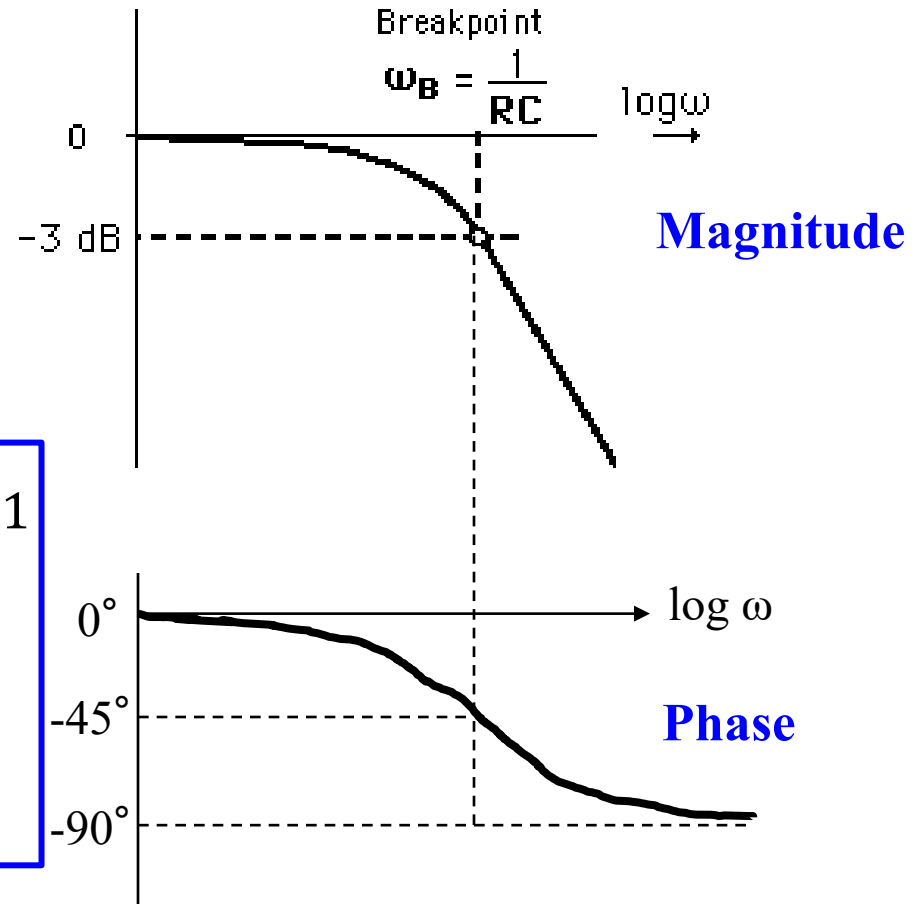
# Analog Low-Pass Filter - Frequency Response (Sketch)

From W4, s. 45

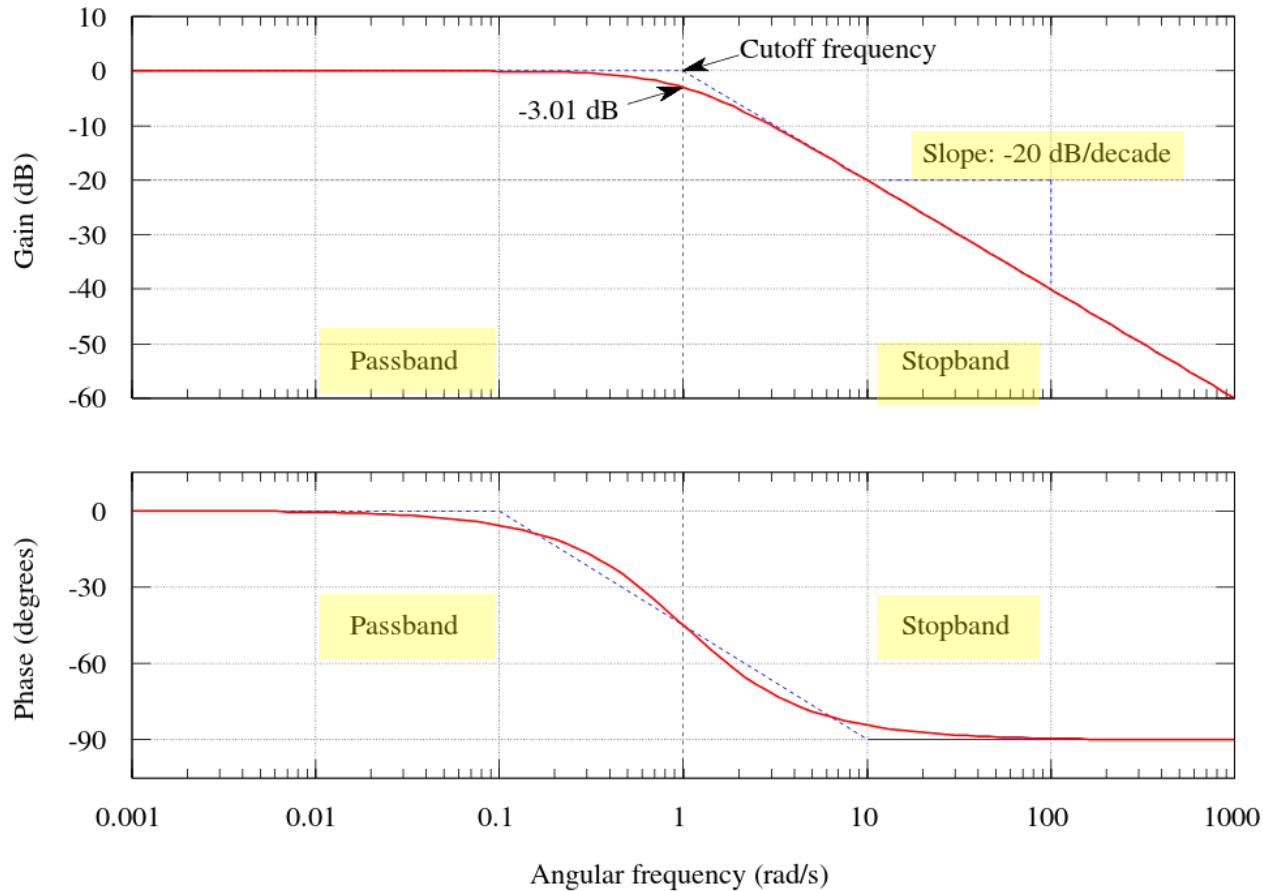


$$|H(\omega_B)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \omega_B^2 R^2 C^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 0.7071$$

i.e. -3 dB = about 71% of the  
undamped magnitude



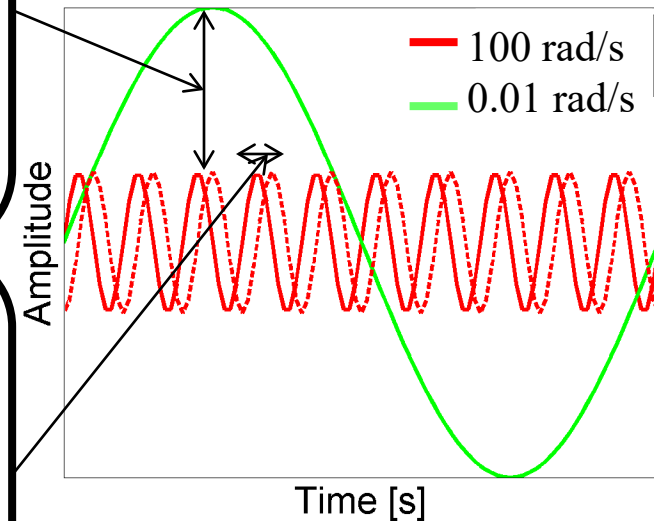
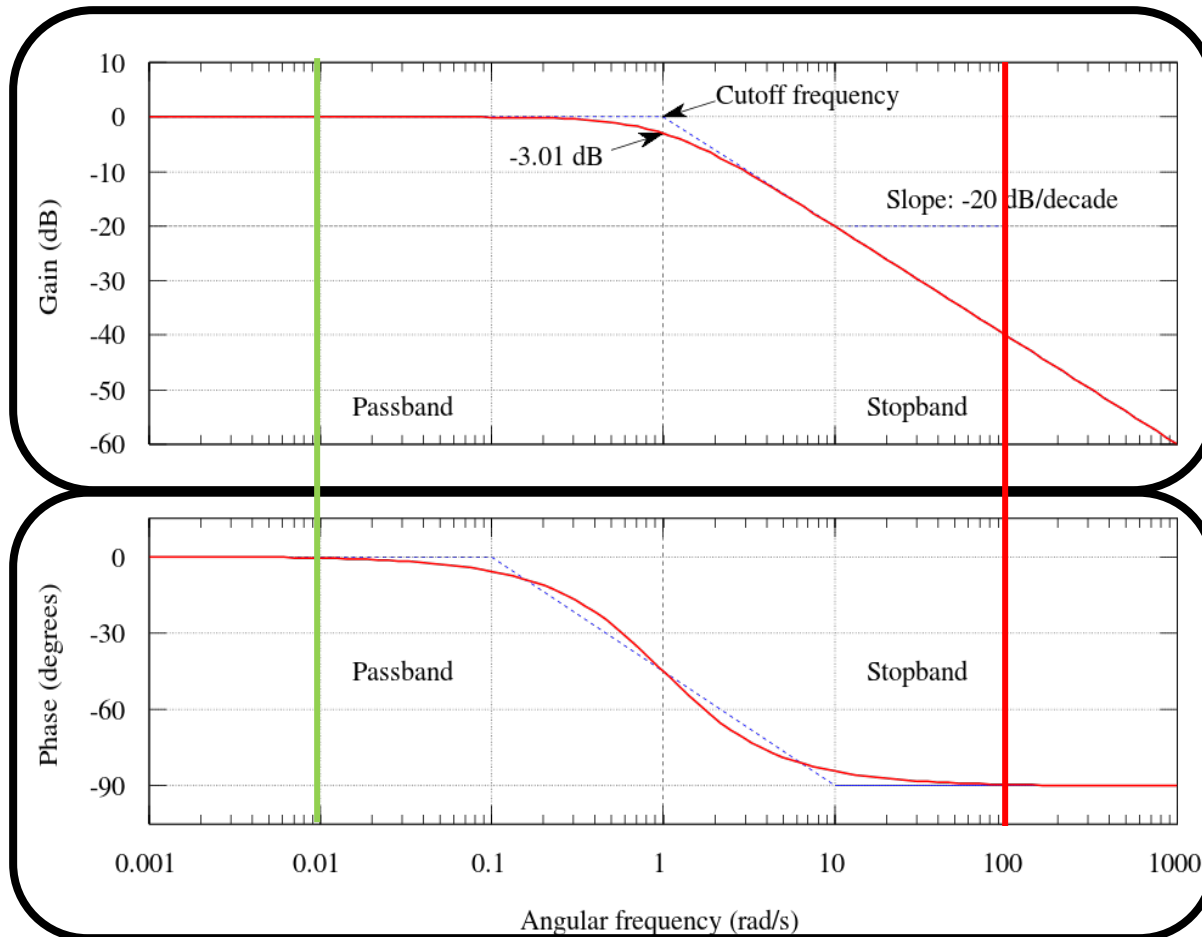
# Analog Low-Pass Filter – Frequency Response (Bode Plot)



## Notes:

- Cut-off frequency = breakpoint
- Magnitude or gain: log-log plot
- Phase: semi-log plot

# Bode Plot: The Example of an Analog Low-Pass Filter



**not to scale !**

# From Transfer Functions to Bode Plots

**Generalized** transfer function for LTI systems in **continuous time**:

$$H(s) = \frac{Num(s)}{Den(s)} = A \prod \frac{(s - x_n)^{a_n}}{(s - y_n)^{b_n}}$$

where  $x_n, y_n$  constants,  $a_n, b_n > 0$

Frequency response:  $s = i\omega$

See also W4, s. 22, s. 44, s. 46

Bode **magnitude**:  $|H(s = i\omega)| = |H(i\omega)| = |H(\omega)|$

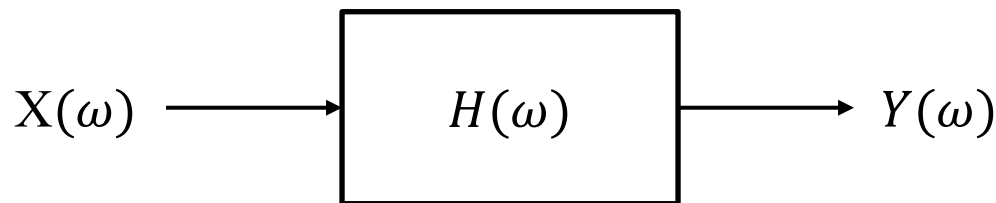
Bode **phase**:  $\angle H(s = i\omega) = \angle H(i\omega) = \angle H(\omega)$

**Zero** (numerator = 0): every value of  $s$  where  $\omega = |x_n|$

**Pole** (denominator = 0): every value of  $s$  where  $\omega = |y_n|$

# Bode Plots – Why handy?

Frequency domain



$$Y(\omega) = H(\omega)X(\omega)$$

$$|Y(\omega)| = |H(\omega)| |X(\omega)| \quad \text{Magnitude}$$

$$\angle Y(\omega) = \angle H(\omega) + \angle X(\omega) \quad \text{Phase}$$

$$\log|Y(\omega)| = \log|H(\omega)| + \log|X(\omega)| \quad \text{Magnitude Bode}$$

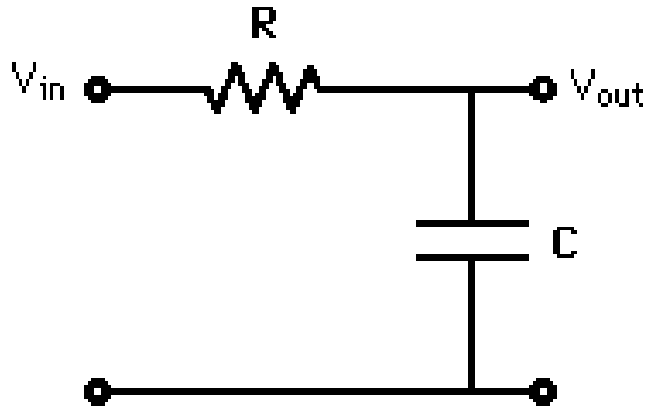
# Bode Plot – Why only positive and log scale for $\omega$ as well?

- If impulse response  $h(t)$  real, then  $|H(\omega)|$  **even** function of  $\omega$  and  $\angle H(\omega)$  **odd** function of  $\omega$
- Therefore plots for negative  $\omega$  can be straightforwardly obtained from those of positive  $\omega$ , so disregarded
- Log scale for frequency allows for covering a wider range of possible input frequencies on the same plot

# Bode Plot – Generalized Rules

- Zero (numerator = 0)
  - Magnitude: +20 dB/decade
  - Phase: +90°; +45°/decade, starting 1 decade before zero
- Pole (denominator = 0)
  - Magnitude: -20 dB/decade
  - Phase: -90°; -45°/decade, starting 1 decade before pole

# Example of Analog Low-Pass Filter – Frequency Response



$$H(s) = \frac{1}{1 + sRC}$$

From s.9:

$$\text{Num}(s) = 1 \neq 0 \forall s$$

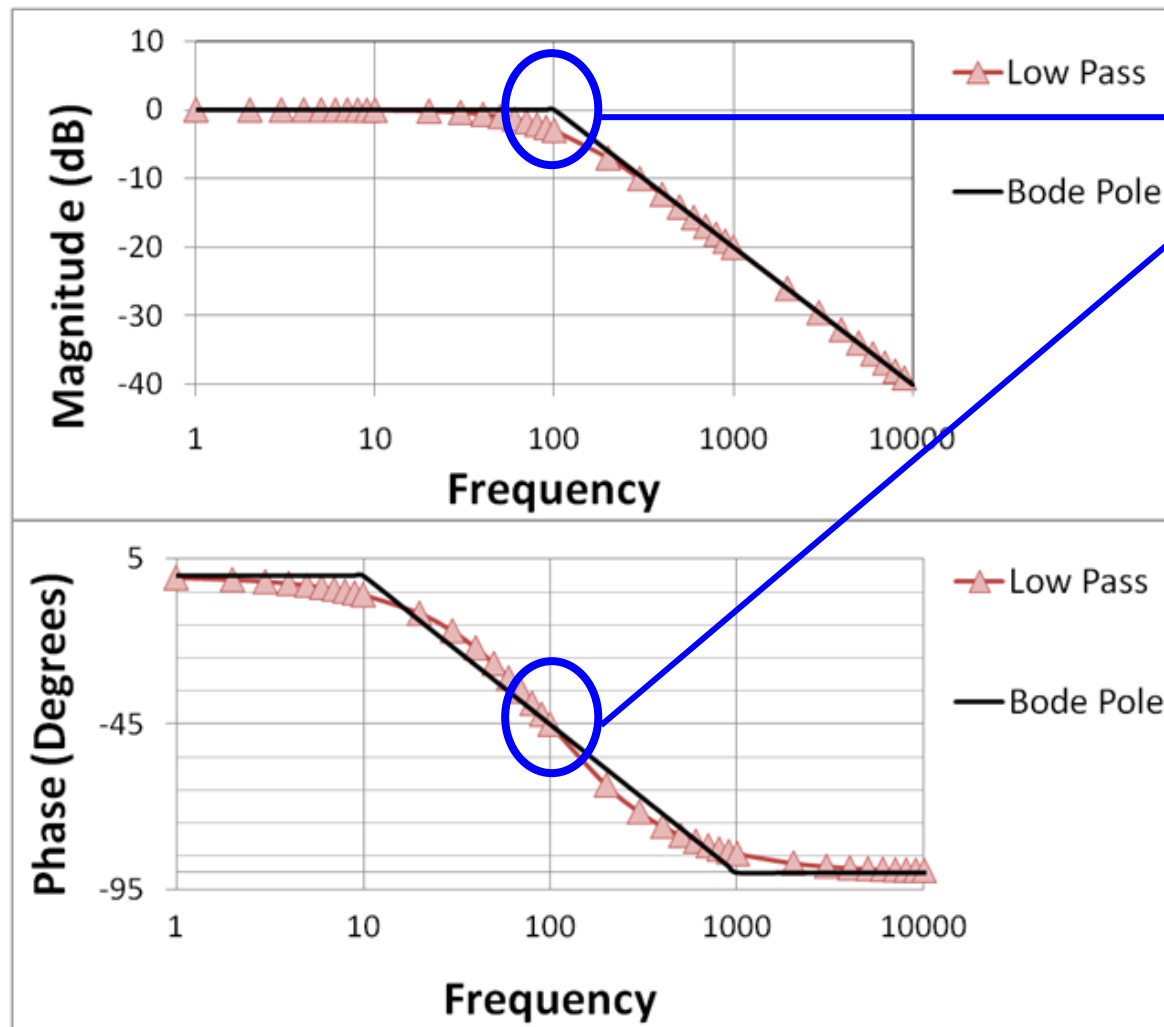
$$\text{Den}(s) = 1 + sRC = 0$$

$$s = \frac{-1}{RC} \longrightarrow \omega = \left| \frac{-1}{RC} \right| = \frac{1}{RC}$$

No zeros

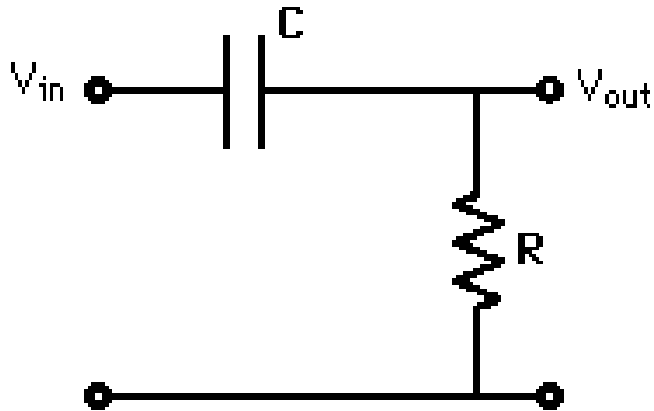
1 pole at  $\omega_c = \frac{1}{RC}$

# Example of Analog Low-Pass Filter – Bode Plot



Pole (at the cutoff frequency)  
 $\omega_c = \frac{1}{RC} = 100 \text{ rad/s}$

# Example of Analog High-Pass Filter – Frequency Response

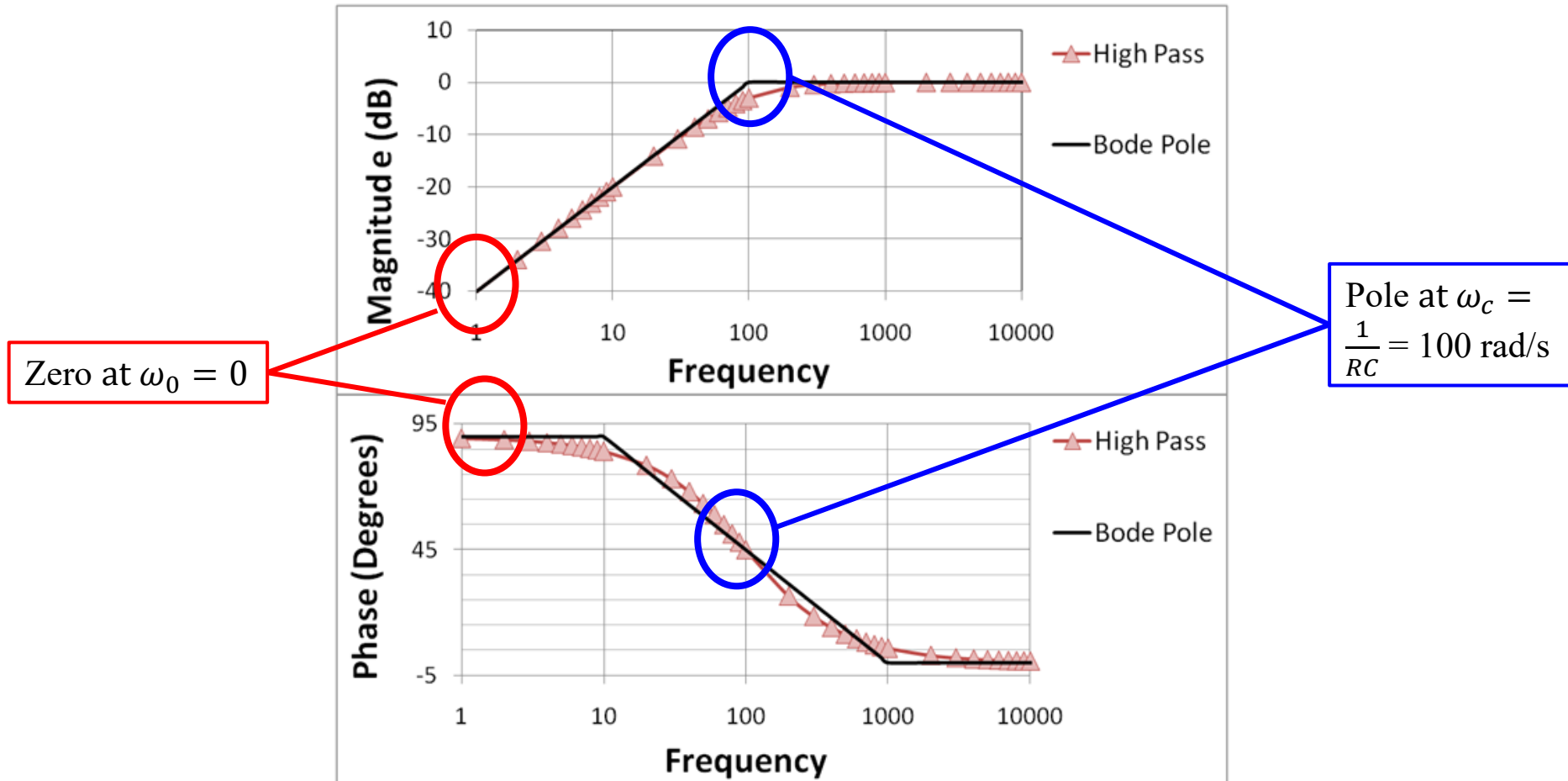


$$H(s) = \frac{sRC}{1 + sRC}$$

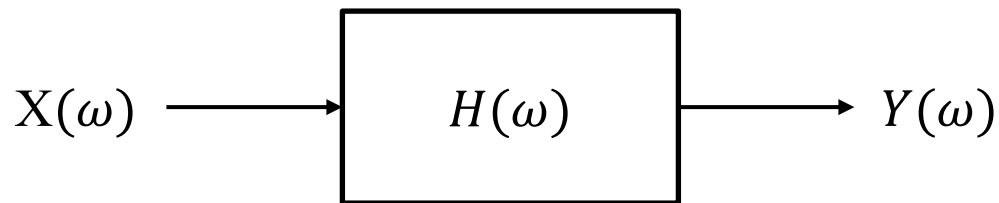
From s. 9:

1 zero at  $\omega_0 = 0$   
1 pole at  $\omega_c = \frac{1}{RC}$

# Example of Analog High-Pass Filter – Bode Plot



# A First-Order Filter with a Zero and a Pole



$$\omega_{c1} = 100 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\omega_{c2} = 1000 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$H(s) = \frac{s - \omega_{c2}}{s - \omega_{c1}} = \frac{1}{s - \omega_{c1}} (s - \omega_{c2}) = H_1(s)H_2(s)$$

Transform  $H(s)$  in  $H(\omega)$  as before

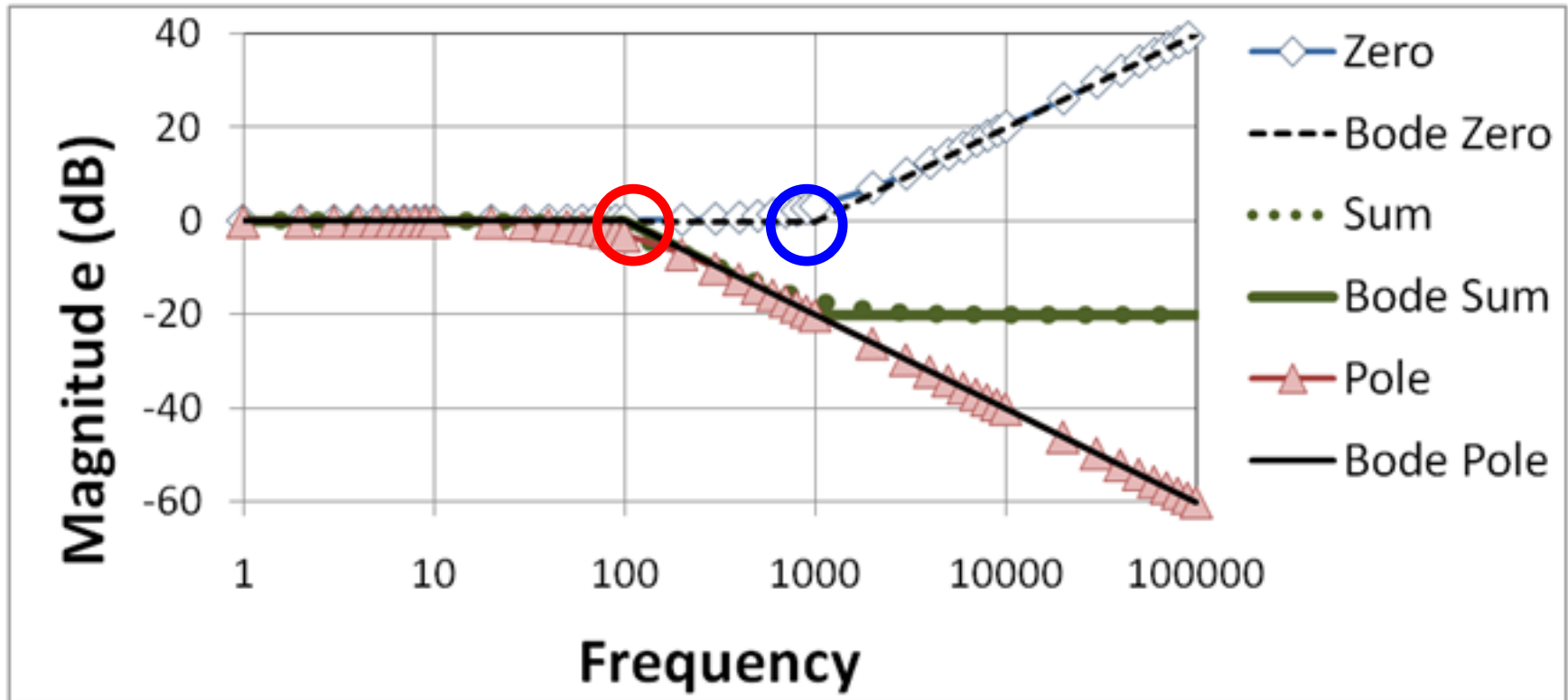
$$H(\omega) = H_1(\omega)H_2(\omega)$$

$$|H(\omega)| = |H_1(\omega)||H_2(\omega)| \quad \text{Magnitude}$$

$$\angle H(\omega) = \angle H_1(\omega) + \angle H_2(\omega) \quad \text{Phase}$$

$$\log|H(\omega)| = \log|H_1(\omega)| + \log|H_2(\omega)| \quad \text{Magnitude Bode}$$

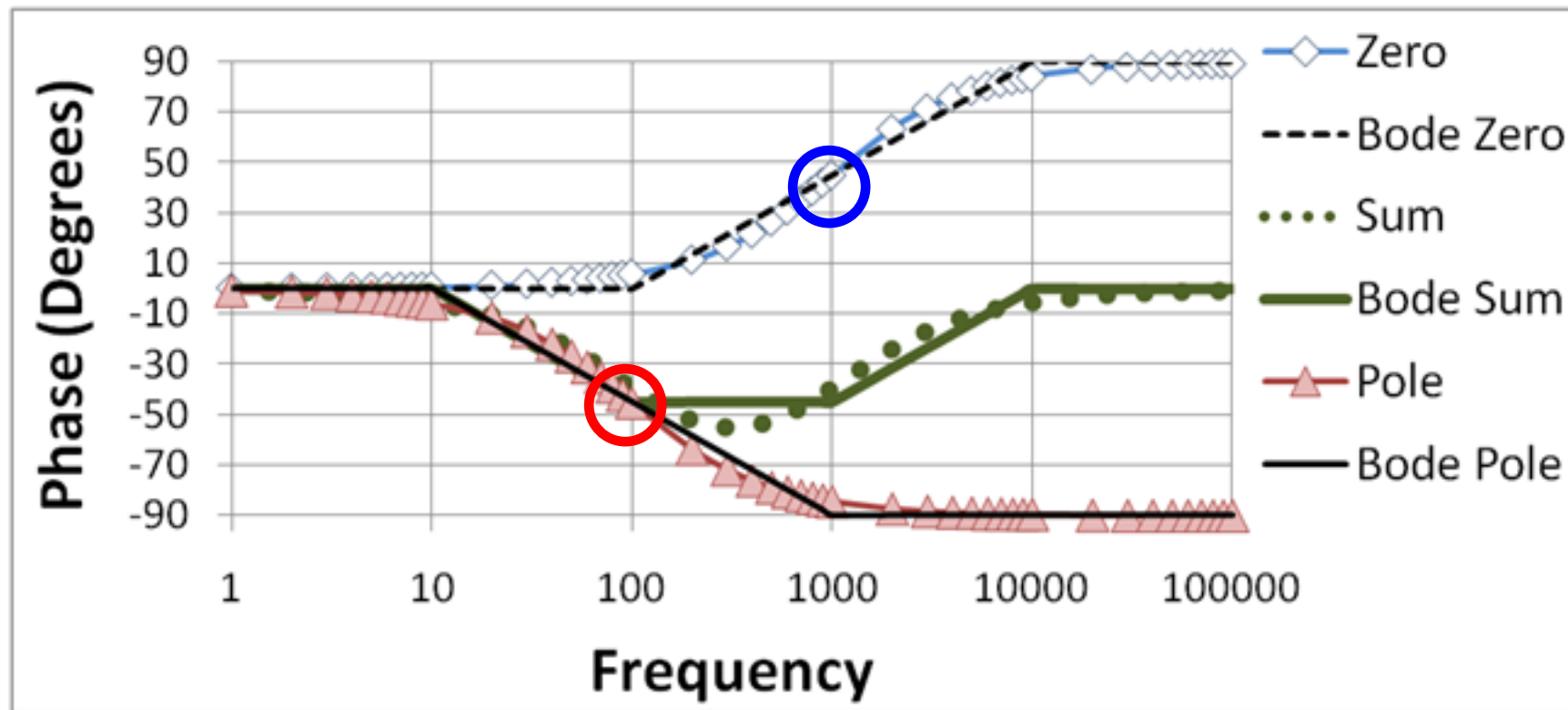
# Bode Plot (Magnitude)



**Pole at  $\omega_{c1} = 100$  rad/s , magnitude -20 dB/decade**

**Zero at  $\omega_{c2} = 1000$  rad/s , magnitude +20 dB/decade**

# Bode Plot (Phase)



**Pole at  $\omega_{c1} = 100$  rad/s , -90°; -45°/decade, starting 1 decade before pole**

**Zero at  $\omega_{c2} = 1000$  rad/s , +90°; 45°/decade, starting 1 decade before zero**

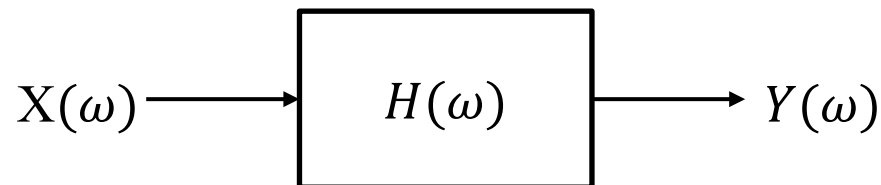
# **Types and Order of Analog Filters**

# Analog Filter Type and Order

- Several filters types exist and are defined by the polynomials at the numerator/denominator (Bessel, Butterworth, Tschebishev, etc.) of the transfer function
- Filter with a high order are closer to the ideal filter (rectangular function) but require more components to be implemented and consume more power

# Higher Order Filters with Zeros and Poles

$$H(s) = \frac{Num(s)}{Den(s)} = A \prod \frac{(s - x_n)^{a_n}}{(s - y_n)^{b_n}}$$



where  $x_n, y_n$  constants,  $a_n, b_n > 0$

**Filter order** = highest order between  $Num(s)$  and  $Den(s)$  polynomials

## Examples

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{(s - y_1)^3}$$

**Third** order with 3 poles in  $y_1$

$$H(s) = \frac{(s - x_1)^2}{(s - y_1)^3}$$

**Third** order filter with 3 poles in  $y_1$  and 2 zeros in  $x_1$

$$H(s) = \frac{(s - x_1)(s - x_2)}{(s - y_1)^2}$$

**Second** order filter with 2 poles in  $y_1$  and 1 zeros in  $x_1$   
1 zeros in  $x_2$

## Notes:

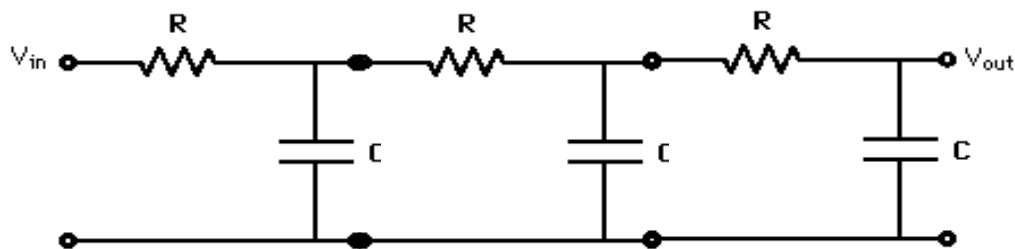
- poles and zeros of  $H(s)$  can be represented in the zero-pole plot (complex s-plane) for further analysis (e.g., stability).
- this is valid also for cascaded blocks of LTI systems (e.g., cascaded filters)

# Bode Plots of Higher Filter Order

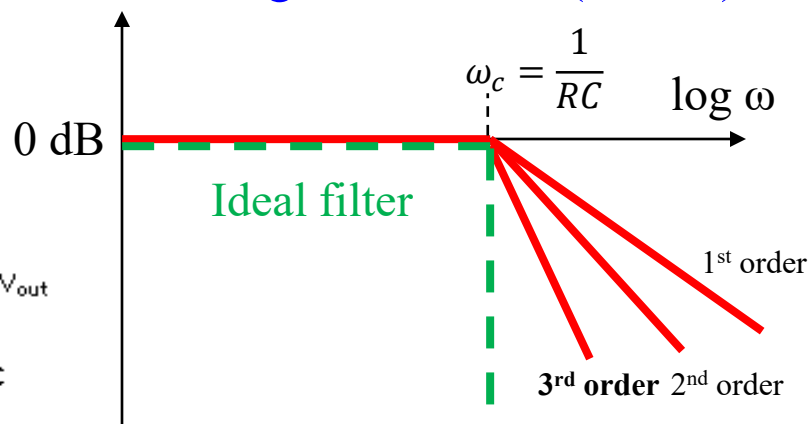
- 1<sup>st</sup> order is equivalent to  $\pm 20\text{dB}$  per decade
- Each successive order adds  $\pm 20\text{dB}$  per decade
- Example: 3<sup>rd</sup> order analog low-pass filter

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{(1 + sRC)^3} \Rightarrow |H(\omega)| = \frac{1}{(1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

See s. 5 for first order



Magnitude Bode (sketch)



# More Transforms for Time-Discrete Systems

# Discrete-Time Fourier Transform

- Corresponds to the Fourier Transform for discrete-time signals (different from the Discrete Fourier Transform, a finite, bounded approximation of the Fourier Transform for digital devices)
- Transform discrete-time signals from time-domain to frequency domain (continuous spectrum)

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] \cdot e^{-i\omega n}$$

**Note:** compare with DFT notation on W2, s. 35:

$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \cdot e^{\frac{-2\pi i}{N}kn}$$
$$k = 0, \dots, N - 1$$

# Z-Transform

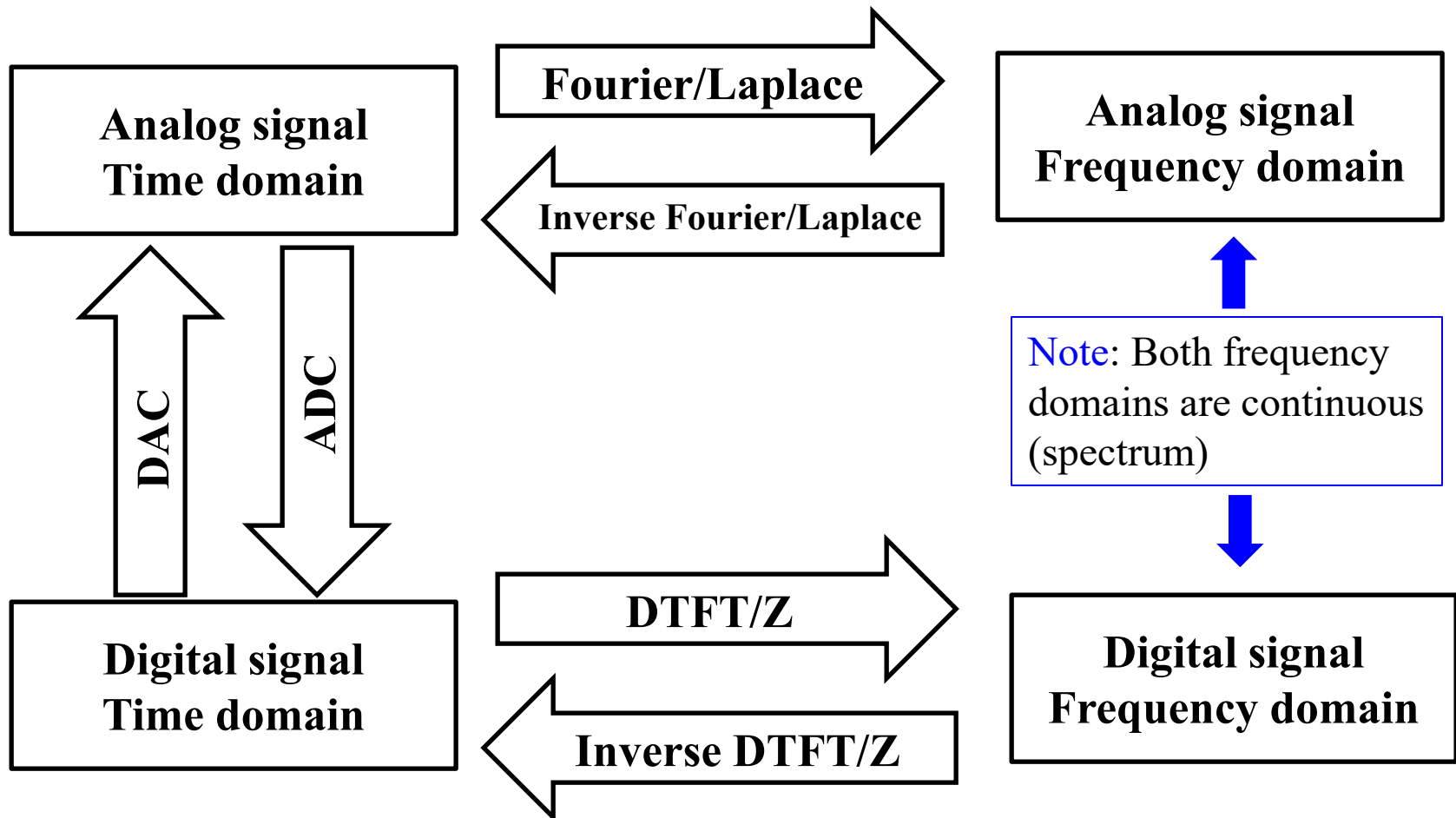
- Transform signals from time-domain to a complex frequency-domain representation (z-plane)
- Corresponds to **Laplace transform** for time-discrete signals
- The **Discrete-Time Fourier Transform** is a special case of the Z-Transform with  $z = e^{i\omega}$

$$X(z) = Z\{x[n]\} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n}$$
$$z = Ae^{i\phi} \text{ or } z = A(\cos \phi + i \sin \phi)$$

# Some Properties of Z-Transform

| Property                              | Signal                                                                                         | $z$ -Transform                |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                                       | $x[n]$                                                                                         | $X(z)$                        |
|                                       | $x_1[n]$                                                                                       | $X_1(z)$                      |
|                                       | $x_2[n]$                                                                                       | $X_2(z)$                      |
| <hr/>                                 |                                                                                                |                               |
| Linearity                             | $ax_1[n] + bx_2[n]$                                                                            | $aX_1(z) + bX_2(z)$           |
| Time shifting                         | $x[n - n_0]$                                                                                   | $z^{-n_0} X(z)$               |
| Scaling in the $z$ -domain            | $e^{j\omega_0 n} x[n]$                                                                         | $X(e^{-j\omega_0} z)$         |
|                                       | $z_0^n x[n]$                                                                                   | $X\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right)$ |
|                                       | $a^n x[n]$                                                                                     | $X(a^{-1} z)$                 |
| Time reversal                         | $x[-n]$                                                                                        | $X(z^{-1})$                   |
| Time expansion                        | $x_{(k)}[n] = \begin{cases} x[r], & n = rk \\ 0, & n \neq rk \end{cases}$ for some integer $r$ | $X(z^k)$                      |
| Conjugation                           | $x^*[n]$                                                                                       | $X^*(z^*)$                    |
| Convolution                           | $x_1[n] * x_2[n]$                                                                              | $X_1(z)X_2(z)$                |
| First difference                      | $x[n] - x[n - 1]$                                                                              | $(1 - z^{-1})X(z)$            |
| Accumulation                          | $\sum_{k=-\infty}^n x[k]$                                                                      | $\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} X(z)$   |
| Differentiation<br>in the $z$ -domain | $nx[n]$                                                                                        | $-z \frac{dX(z)}{dz}$         |

# Transform Overview

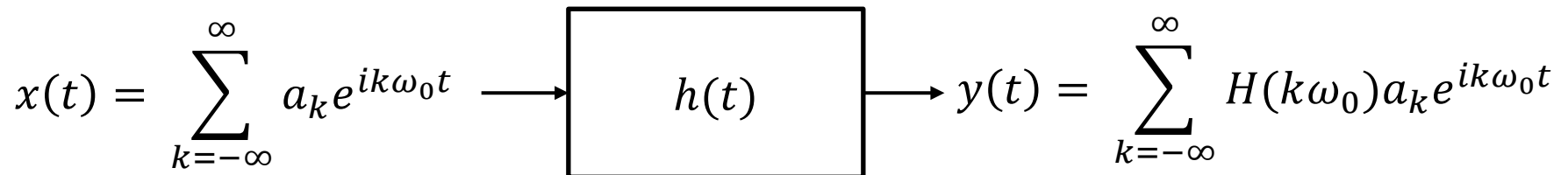


# **Frequency Responses and Transfer Functions for Time- Discrete LTI Systems**

# Frequency Response

From W4, s. 28

Continuous time



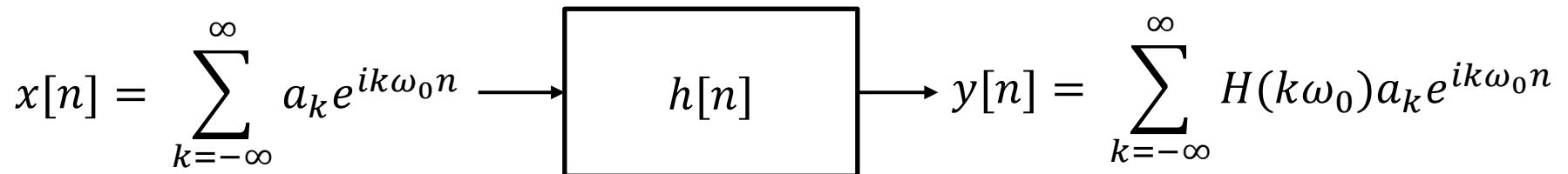
$$a_k \rightarrow H(k\omega_0) a_k$$

$$H(k\omega_0) = \underbrace{|H(k\omega_0)|}_{\text{Magnitude or Amplitude or Gain}} \underbrace{e^{i\angle H(k\omega_0)}}_{\text{Phase}}$$

By linearity a sum of frequencies go out of the LTI filter only with different amplitude and phase.

# Frequency Response

## Discrete time



$$a_k \rightarrow H(k\omega_0) a_k$$

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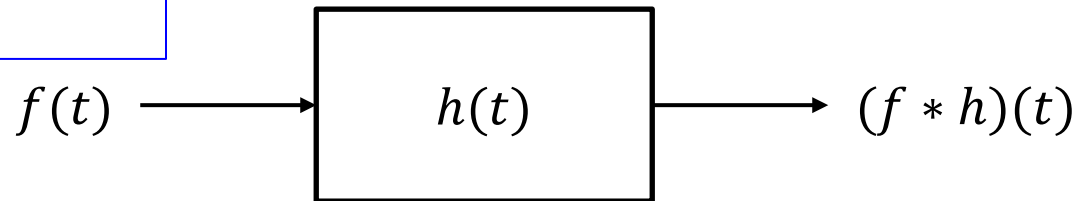
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# Time-Continuous Transfer Function

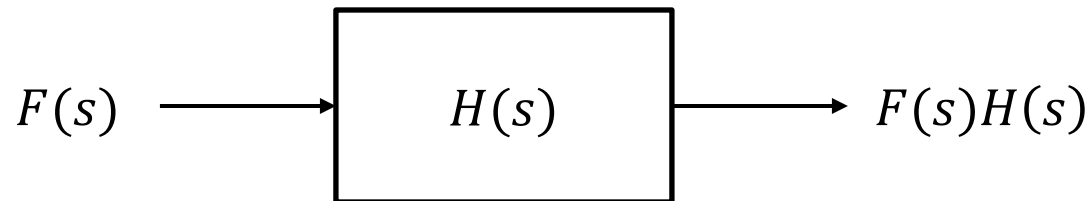
$h(t)$  : impulse response (CT)  
 $H(s)$  : **transfer function**  
(stationary and transient  
frequency response) of the  
filter/system, i.e Laplace  
transform of  $h(t)$

From W4, s. 29

## Time domain



## Complex frequency domain (s-plane)

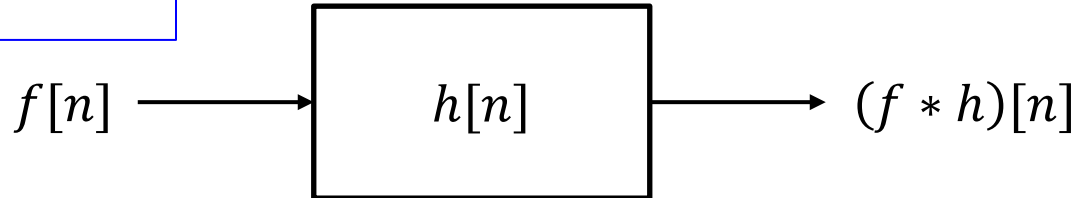


Reminder: a convolution in the time domain is a  
multiplication in the frequency domain

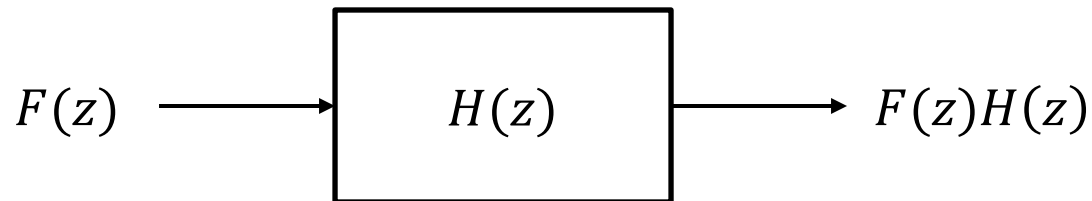
# Time-Discrete Transfer Function

$h[n]$  : impulse response (DT)  
 $H(z)$  : **transfer function**  
(stationary and transient  
frequency response) of the  
filter/system, i.e. Z-transform  
of  $h[n]$

## Time domain



## Complex frequency domain (z-plane)



Reminder: a convolution in the time domain is a  
multiplication in the frequency domain

# From Transfer Functions to Frequency Responses

- Typical configuration when digital filtering is applied to analog signals:



- Frequency response useful when input  $x[n]$  = time-discrete sum of sinusoids, then output  $y[n]$  also time-discrete sum of sinusoids
- Focus on the spectrum

# EPFL From Transfer Functions to Frequency Responses



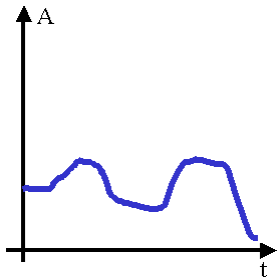
- Bode plots have been defined for continuous-time systems (e.g., analog filters)
- With  $z = e^{i\omega}$  (see s. 26), the Z-transform degrades to a DTFT (as the Laplace transform was degrading to the FT with  $s = i\omega$ )
- We can therefore calculate the frequency response of the corresponding discrete-time system (e.g., a digital filter) with the transfer function  $H(e^{i\omega})$
- A FFT is then typically used to calculate numerically the frequency response on computers
- Matlab has a dedicated function for this: **freqz**

**Note:** response in normalized angular frequency

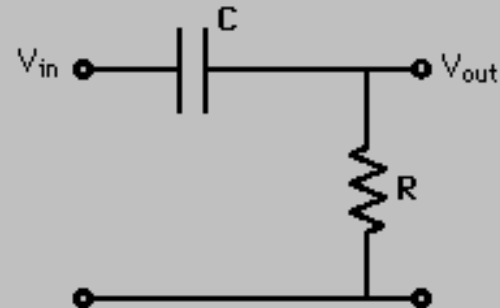
# Digital Filters

# Filters as System Examples

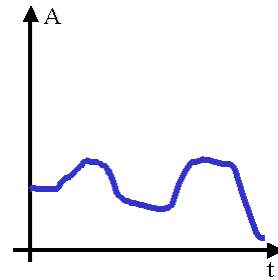
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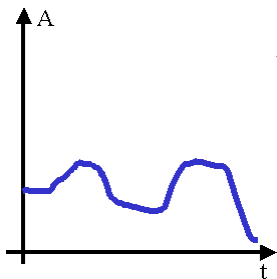
Circuit



Analog filter



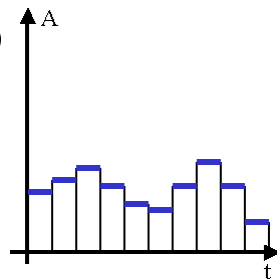
Analog



A/D



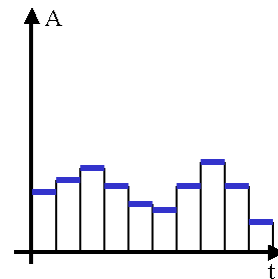
Digital



Function/algorithm

$$y_1 \dots y_n = f(x_1 \dots x_n)$$

Digital filter



# Transfer Functions of Filters

Analog

Circuit



Laplace Transf.

$$H(s) = A \prod \frac{\overbrace{(s - x_n)^{a_n}}^{\text{Numerator}}}{\underbrace{(s - y_n)^{b_n}}_{\text{Denominator}}}$$

Digital

Function/algorithm

$$y_1 \dots y_n = f(x_1 \dots x_n)$$

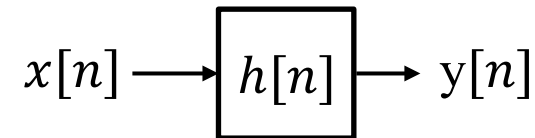
Z Transf.

$$H(z) = \frac{\overbrace{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_N z^{-N}}^{\text{Numerator}}}{\underbrace{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_M z^{-M}}_{\text{Denominator}}}$$

# General Representation (Causal Filters)

**Difference equation:**

$$y[n] = - \sum_{k=1}^N a_k y[n-k] + \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x[n-k]$$



**Z-transform:**

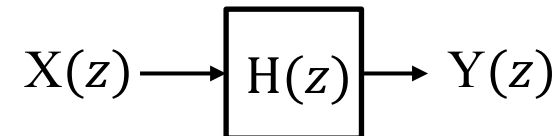
$$Y(z) + \sum_{k=1}^N a_k Y(z) z^{-k} = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k X(z) z^{-k}$$

From s. 27, Z-transform  
properties:

$$Z\{x[n - n_0]\} = z^{-n_0} X(z)$$

**Transfer function:**

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^M b_k z^{-k}}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^N a_k z^{-k}}$$



# An Example

**Difference equation:**

$$y[n] = x[n] + 2x[n-1] + x[n-2] - \frac{1}{4}y[n-1] + \frac{3}{8}y[n-2]$$

**Z-transform:**

$$Y(z) + \frac{1}{4}Y(z)z^{-1} - \frac{3}{8}Y(z)z^{-2} = X(z) + 2X(z)z^{-1} + X(z)z^{-2}$$

**Transfer function:**

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{1 + 2z^{-1} + z^{-2}}{1 + \frac{1}{4}z^{-1} - \frac{3}{8}z^{-2}} = \frac{z^2 + 2z + 1}{z^2 + \frac{1}{4}z - \frac{3}{8}} = \frac{(z+1)^2}{\left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(z + \frac{3}{4}\right)}$$

Note: poles and zeros of  $H(z)$  can be represented in the zero-pole plot (complex  $z$ -plane) for further analysis (e.g., stability).

# FIR Filters

# Nonrecursive Digital Filters

- $a_k = 0$  for all  $k$
- $y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x[n - k]$
- Finite Impulse Response (FIR)
- The FIR filter above is a causal system: the output depends only on past values of inputs
- The filter coefficients  $b_k$  define the FIR filter
- The filter order is  $M$ , the number of coefficients  $b_k$  is  $M+1$  (filter “length”)

# Examples of FIR Filters

- 3-point moving average:

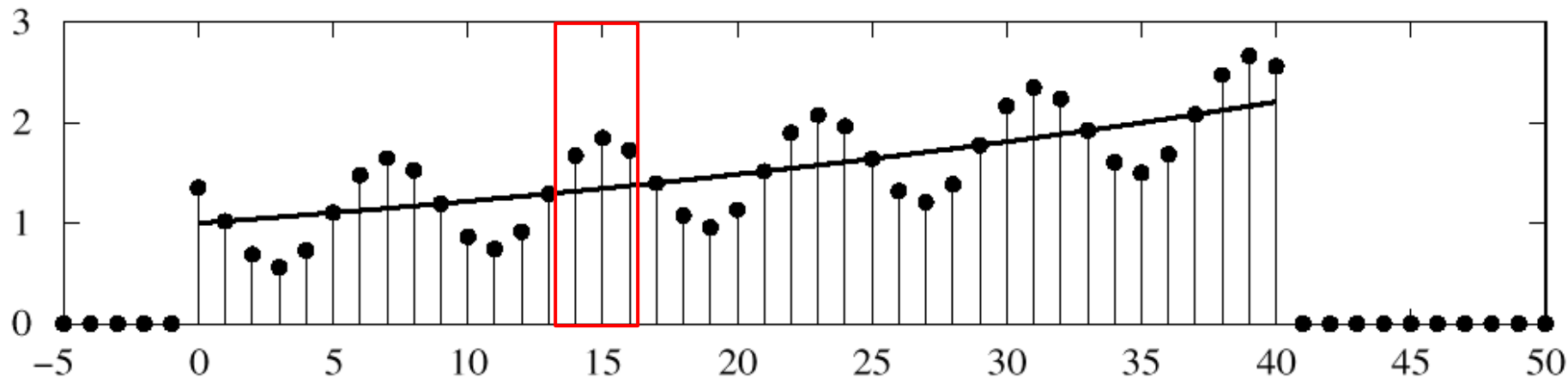
$$y_3[n] = \sum_{k=0}^2 \frac{1}{3} x[n-k] = \frac{1}{3} x[n] + \frac{1}{3} x[n-1] + \frac{1}{3} x[n-2]$$

- 7-point moving average:

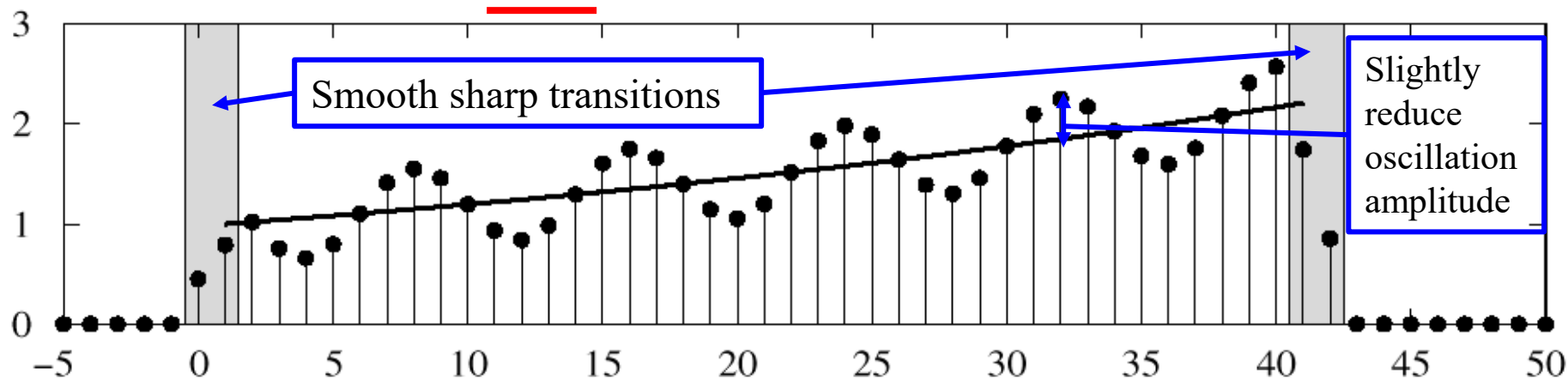
$$y_7[n] = \sum_{k=0}^6 \frac{1}{7} x[n-k] = \frac{1}{7} x[n] + \frac{1}{7} x[n-1] + \cdots + \frac{1}{7} x[n-6]$$

# 3-pt Moving Average Example

Input Signal:  $x[n] = (1.02)^n + \cos(2\pi n/8 + \pi/4)$  for  $0 \leq n \leq 40$

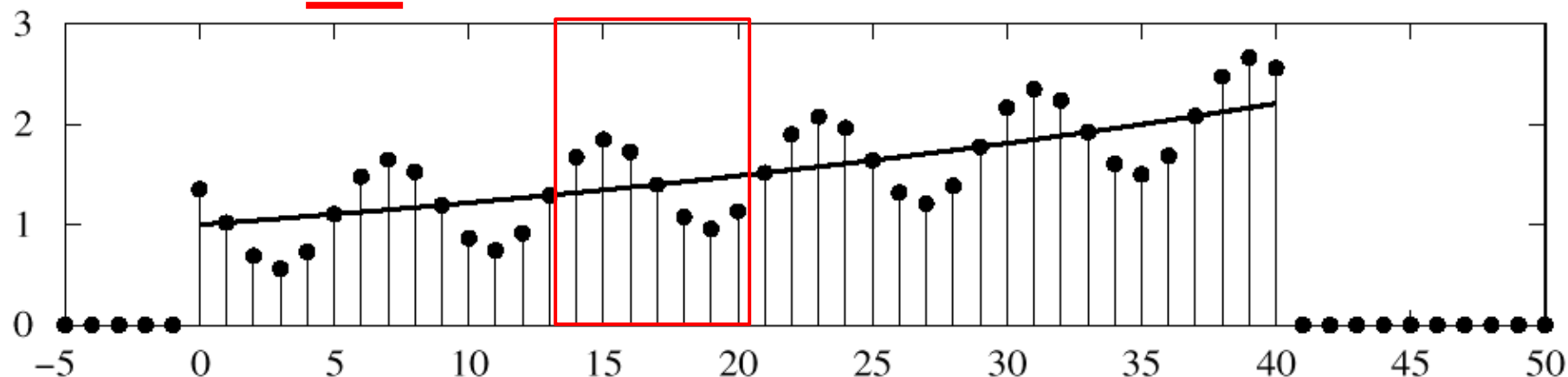


Output of 3-Point Running-Average Filter

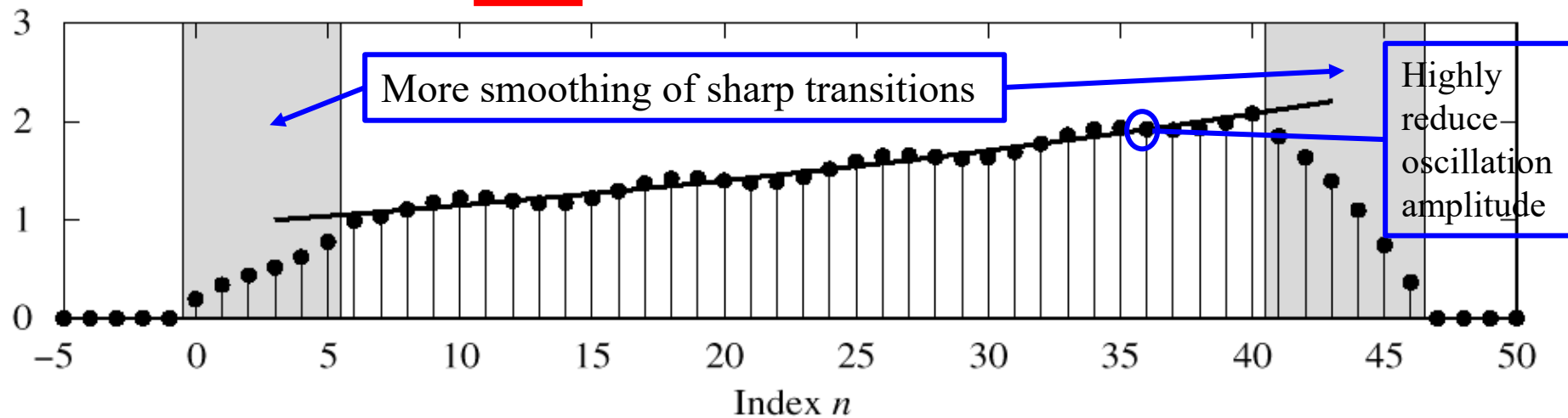


# 7-pt Moving Average Example

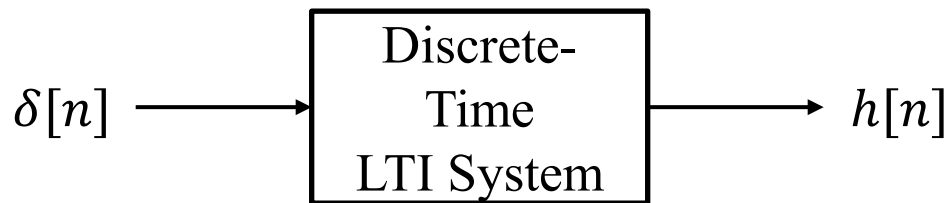
Input Signal:  $x[n] = (1.02)^n + \cos(2\pi n/8 + \pi/4)$  for  $0 \leq n \leq 40$



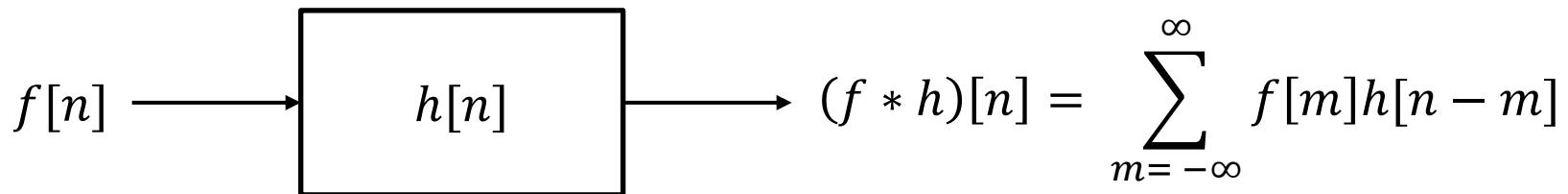
Output of 7-Point Running-Average Filter



# Impulse Response of a Discrete-Time LTI System



From W4, s. 16-17

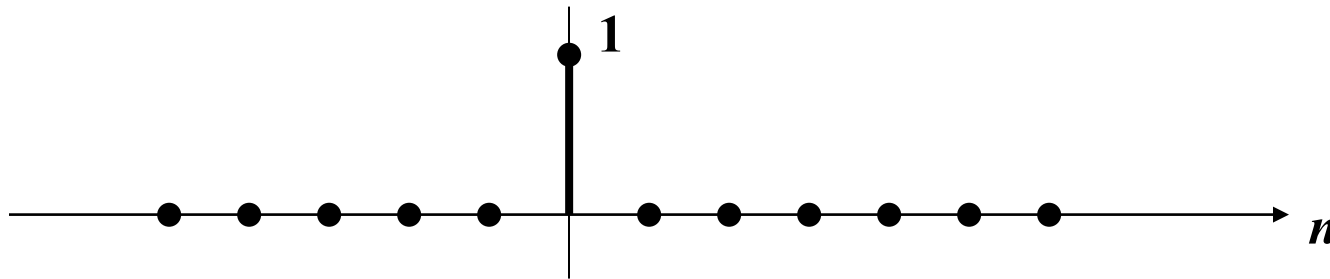


# The Unit Impulse

$$\delta[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 0 & n \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Notation:

Kronecker delta function

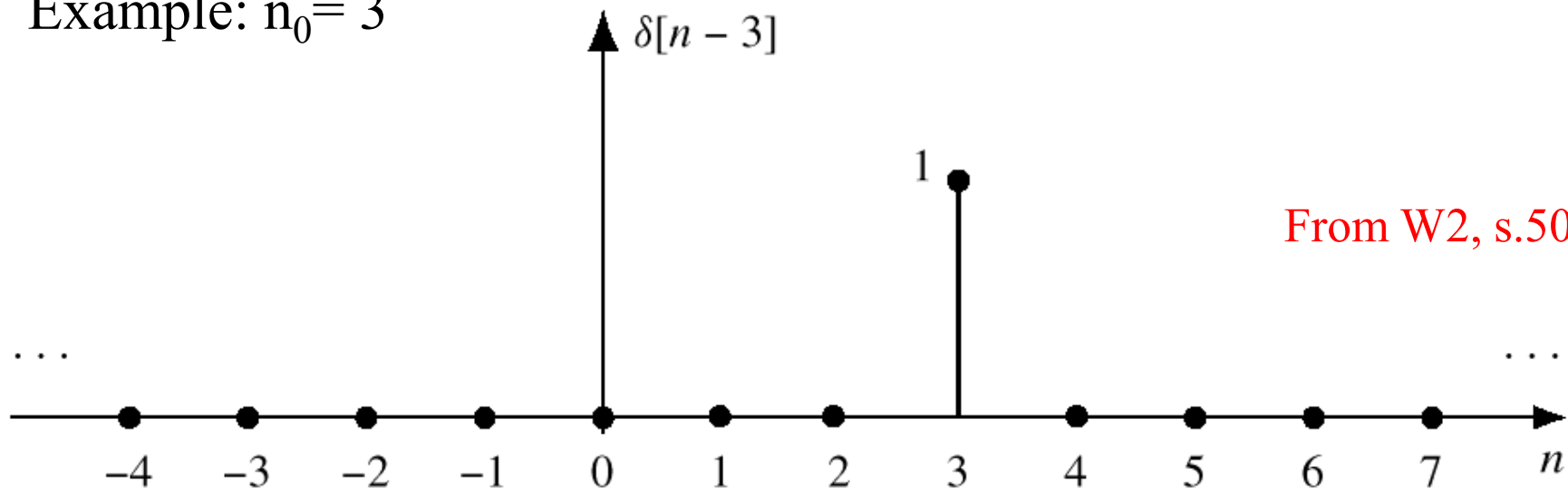


From W2, s.49

# Time-Shifted Unit Impulse

$$\delta[n - n_0] = \begin{cases} 1 & n = n_0 \\ 0 & n \neq n_0 \end{cases}$$

Example:  $n_0 = 3$



# Impulse Response of a FIR Filter

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x[n - k]$$

A FIR filter usually described in terms of coefficients  $b_k$

Alternatively, as any other LTI system, we can describe a FIR filter using its **impulse response**.

If  $x[n] = \delta[n]$  then  $y[n] = h[n]$ , i. e. the impulse response

$$\Rightarrow h[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \delta[n - k]$$

**Note:** you can check  
 $(x * h)[n] = y[n]$

# Impulse Response of a FIR Filter

$$h[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \delta[n - k]$$

| $n$                | $n < 0$ | 0     | 1     | 2     | 3     | ... | $M$   | $M + 1$ | $n > M + 1$ |
|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|---------|-------------|
| $x[n] = \delta[n]$ | 0       | 1     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0     | 0       | 0           |
| $y[n] = h[n]$      | 0       | $b_0$ | $b_1$ | $b_2$ | $b_3$ | ... | $b_M$ | 0       | 0           |

Impulse response  
is finite!

# Example of FIR Filter:

## Noncausal 3-Point Moving Average

- $b_k = \{\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\}$  for  $k = -1, 0, 1$

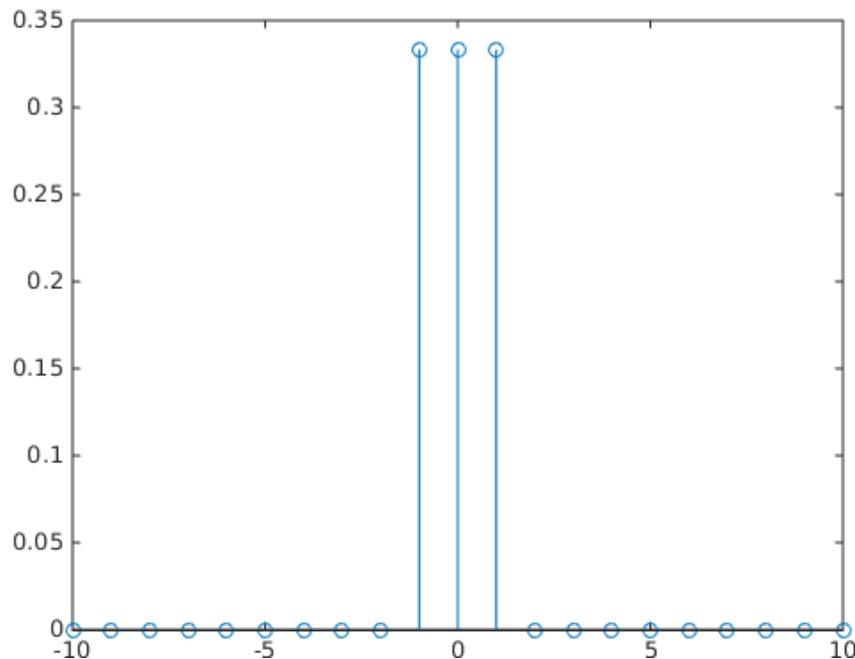
Filter coefficients

- $y[n] = \frac{1}{3} (x[n-1] + x[n] + x[n+1])$

Difference equation

- $h[n] = \frac{1}{3} (\delta[n-1] + \delta[n] + \delta[n+1])$

Impulse response



[Picture from Prof. A. S. Willsky, Signals and Systems course]

# Example of FIR Filter:

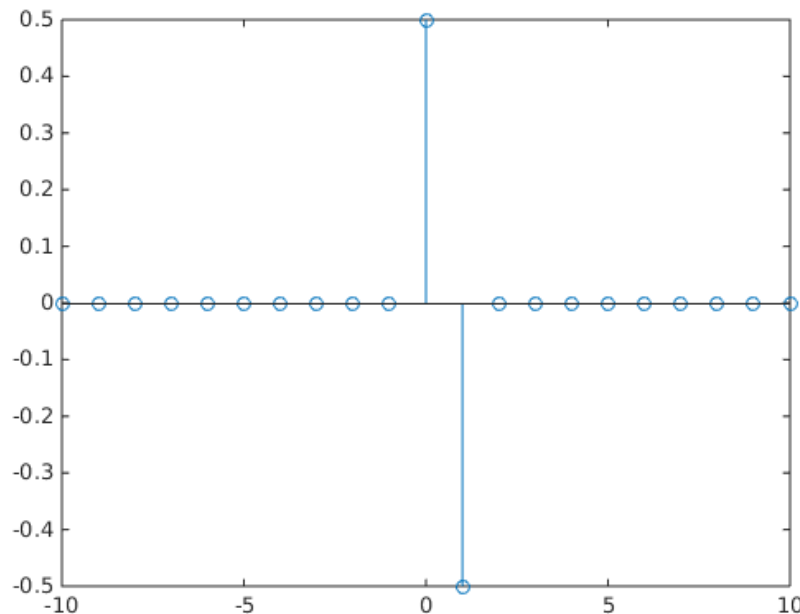
## Causal High-Pass Filter

- $b_k = \{\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\}$  for  $k=0,1$
- $y[n] = \frac{1}{2} (x[n] - x[n-1])$
- $h[n] = \frac{1}{2} (\delta[n] - \delta[n-1])$

**Filter coefficients**

**Difference equation**

**Impulse response**



[Picture from Prof. A. S. Willsky, Signals and Systems course]

# IIR Filters

# Motivation

Original Image



Blurred (Motion)



Restored w/ Inverse Filter



Can we remove the blur in postprocessing?  
Yes! With a **deconvolution** filter!

# Motivation

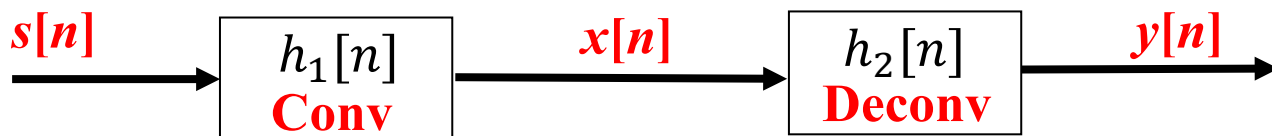
Original Image



Blurred (Motion)



Restored w/ Inverse Filter



Given  $h_1[n]$ , can we find  $h_2[n]$  so that  $y[n] = s[n]$ ?

$$x[n] = s[n] * h_1[n]$$

$$y[n] = x[n] * h_2[n] = s[n] * h_1[n] * h_2[n]$$

$$\Rightarrow h_1[n] * h_2[n] = \delta[n] \text{ (convolution with unit impulse } \leftrightarrow \text{ identity)}$$

# Motivation

Blurring filter with parameter  $a$ :

$$x[n] = s[n] - as[n - 1] \Rightarrow h_1[n] = \delta[n] - a\delta[n - 1]$$

Difficult to solve in time domain within convolution sum.

Z-domain:



$$Y(z) = H_2(z)H_1(z)S(z) = H(z)S(z)$$

$$H(z) = 1 = H_2(z)H_1(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow H_2(z) = 1/H_1(z)$$

Blurring filter in z-domain (from DE above):  $H_1(z) = 1 - az^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow H_2(z) = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}$$

# Motivation

$$H_2(z) = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \quad \text{What type of filter?}$$

$$H_2(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}$$

$$Y(z) = aY(z)z^{-1} + X(z)$$

$$y[n] = ay[n - 1] + x[n] \quad \text{If } a \neq 0 \text{ not a FIR (see s. 42)!}$$

In fact  $H_2$  is a first order IIR filter!

# Recursive Digital Filters

- $y[n] = -\sum_{k=1}^N a_k y[n-k] + \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x[n-k]$
- $a_k \neq 0$  and  $b_k \neq 0$  at least for one  $k$
- $a_k$ : feedback coefficients
- $b_k$ : feed-forward coefficients
- Infinite Impulse Response (IIR)
- The IIR filter above is a causal system: the output depends only on past values of output and input
- The filter order is typically  $N$  and the total number of coefficients is  $N+M+1$

# Impulse Response of a IIR Filter

Example: generalized first order IIR filter:

$$y[n] = a_1 y[n-1] + b_0 x[n] \Rightarrow h[n] = a_1 h[n-1] + b_0 \delta[n]$$

| $n$         | $n < 0$ | 0     | 1          | 2            | 3            | 4            | ... |
|-------------|---------|-------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----|
| $\delta[n]$ | 0       | 1     | 0          | 0            | 0            | 0            | ... |
| $h[n-1]$    | 0       | 0     | $b_0$      | $b_0(a_1)$   | $b_0(a_1)^2$ | $b_0(a_1)^3$ | ... |
| $h[n]$      | 0       | $b_0$ | $b_0(a_1)$ | $b_0(a_1)^2$ | $b_0(a_1)^3$ | $b_0(a_1)^4$ | ... |

Impulse response  
is infinite!

# **Types and Order of Digital Filters**

# Digital Filter Type and Order

- Several digital filters types and design methods exist and are defined by the resulting coefficient distributions of the filter
- Order:

$$y[n] = b_0 x[n] \quad \text{Filter order: 0}$$

$$y[n] = b_0 x[n] + b_1 x[n - 1] \quad \text{Filter order: 1}$$

$$y[n] = b_0 x[n] + b_1 x[n - 1] + b_2 x[n - 2] \quad \text{Filter order: 2}$$

...

- Filter with a high order are closer to the ideal filter (rectangular function) but are computationally more expensive

# Conclusion

# Take Home Messages

- Bode plots reproduce an estimated frequency response of (cascaded) LTI; they have been developed for continuous-time systems and expanded to time-discrete systems
- The Z-transform is the dual of the Laplace transform for time-discrete systems
- Both analog and digital filters are:
  - characterized by different order and coefficient distributions
  - they can be expressed in time and (complex) frequency domains
- Several equivalent forms to define digital filters are possible:
  - time domain: coefficient set, difference equation, impulse response
  - frequency domain: transfer function
- The impulse response of a digital filter which can be finite (filter non recursive) or infinite (filter recursive); FIR and IIR filters are correspondingly defined

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