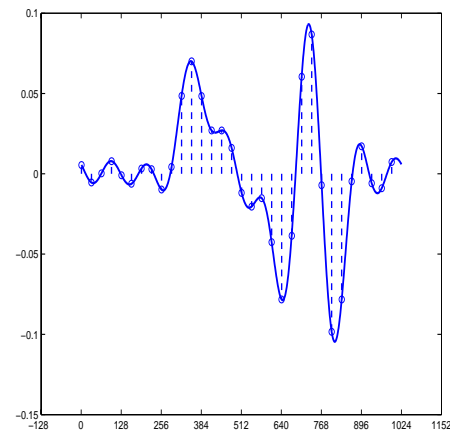
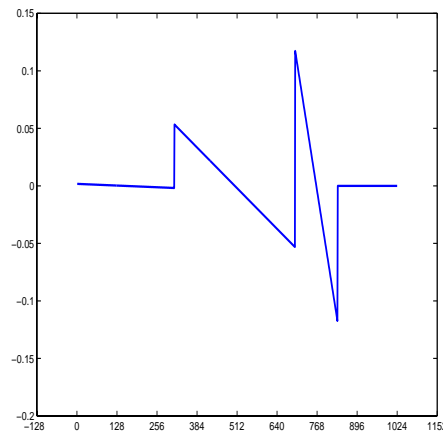


# Sampling Signals of Finite Rate of Innovation\*

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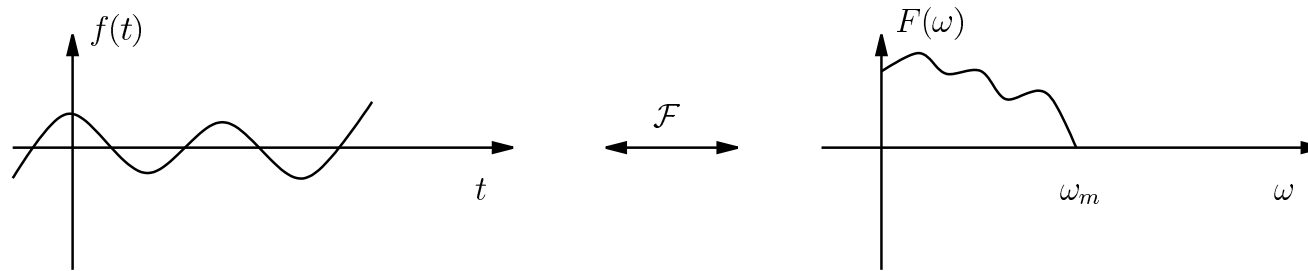
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# 1 Motivation

Signal Processors love bandlimited Signals...



Then :

$$\{f(nT)\}, n \in \mathbb{Z}, T = \pi/\omega_m$$

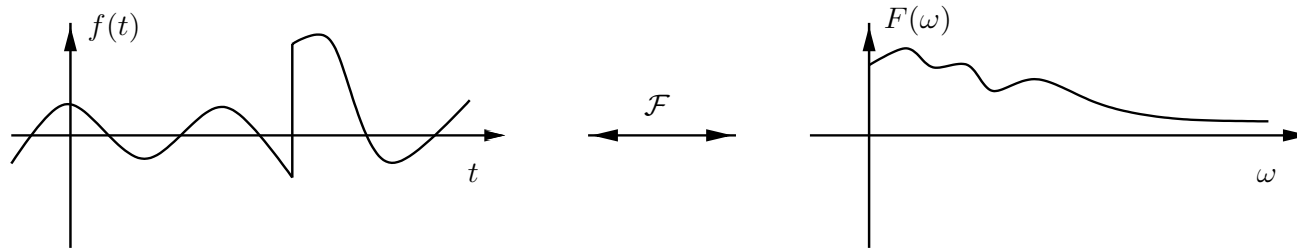
is a sufficient representation, since

$$f(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(nT) \text{sinc}(t/T - n) \quad (1)$$

where

$$\text{sinc}(t) = \frac{\sin(\pi t)}{\pi t} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} I[-\pi, \pi]$$

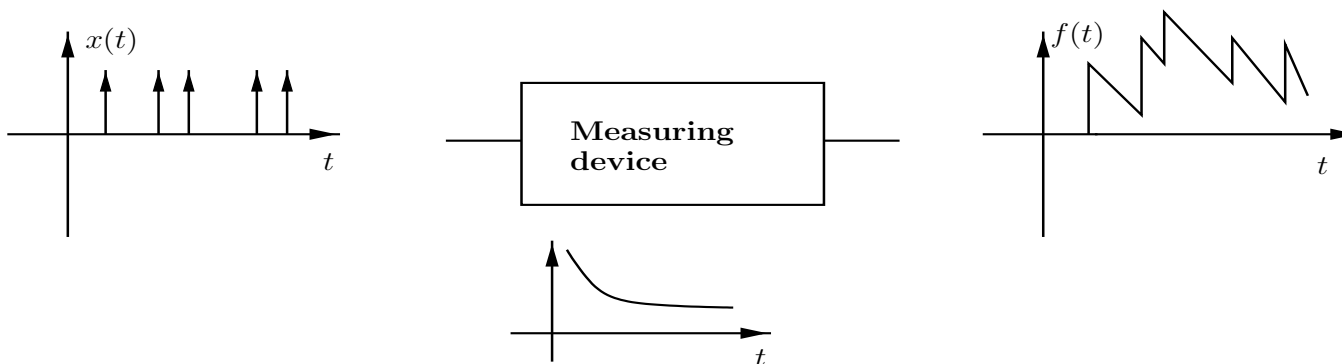
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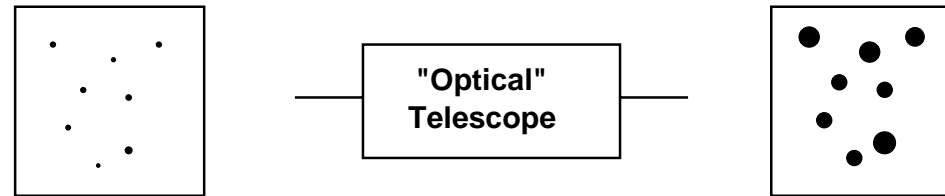
just one discontinuity and no more sampling theorem...

Often, one does not have access to the signal itself, but to a measurement

Example: neural spikes measured in non invasive manner ;)



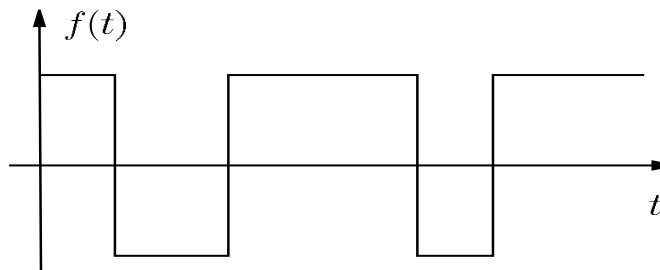
**Example: photographing stars**



**Can we sample such signals that we see through an imperfect measuring device?**

**There are many parametric signals which are far from bandlimited**

**Example: CDMA**



**Note: rate of transition is finite, given by the chip rate  
symbol rate much slower**

Example: Woodcut pictures



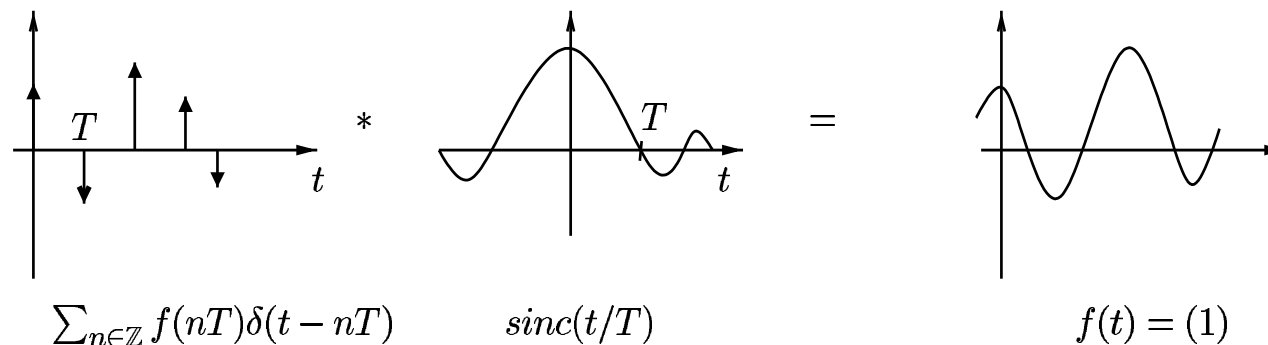
## 2 Signals of Finite Rate of Innovation

What is so special about a signal  $f(t)$  bandlimited to  $[-\omega_m, \omega_m]$  ?

With a sampling interval of  $T = \pi/\omega_m$  the signal  $f(t)$  is specified by

$$\rho = 1/T = \omega_m/\pi$$

degrees of freedom per unit of time. By the interpolation formula (1), any bandlimited signal can be generated as



**Definition:** The number of degrees of freedom per unit of time is called the rate of innovation  $\rho$ .

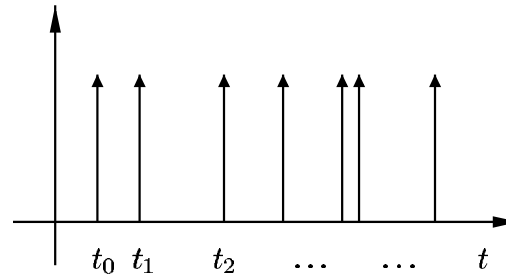
### Rate of innovation

- Assume a class of signals having a parametric representation
- Consider one signal  $x$  from the class
- Call  $C_x(t_0, t_1)$  the number of degrees of freedom in
- Then

$$\rho = \lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\tau} C_x\left(\frac{-\tau}{2}, \frac{\tau}{2}\right)$$

- If  $\rho < \infty$ , we call  $x$  a signal of **finite rate of innovation**



**Example: Poisson process**

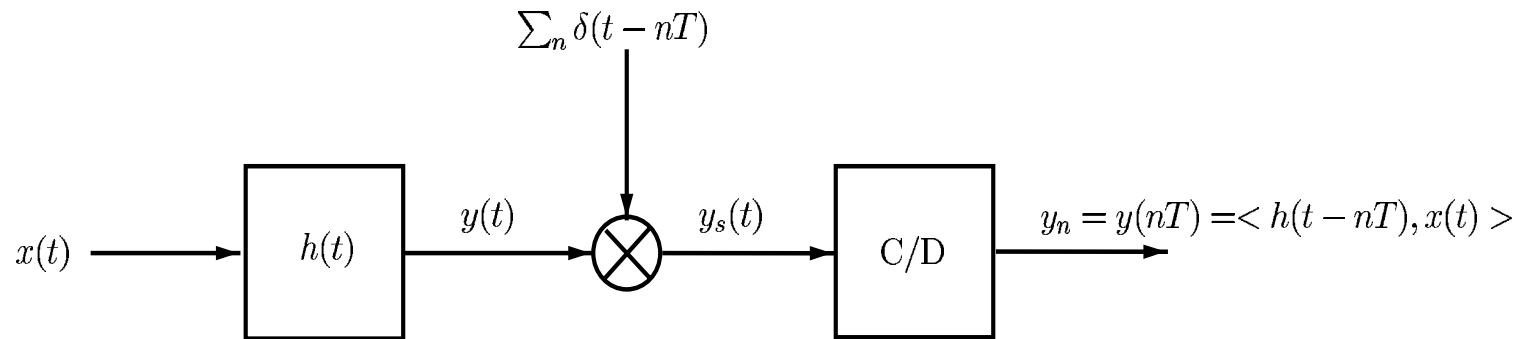
**Interarrival times: i.i.d. , pdf  $\mu e^{-\mu t}$**

**Expected interarrival time:  $1/\mu$**

**$\{t_i\}$  is a sufficient description of a realization**

$$\rho = \frac{1}{E(\text{int. time})} = \mu$$

## Aquisition Model, Notation



**where**     $x(t)$ : **signal**  
           $h(t)$ : **sampling kernel**  
           $y(t)$ : **filtered version of  $x(t)$**   
           $y_n$ : **samples**

## Natural questions

1. What are interesting classes of signals with finite  $\rho$
2. For which of these classes can we find unique representations through sampling (in particular uniformly) that is:



such that  $x \Leftrightarrow y_n$   
 just like in the bandlimited case

3. What are good kernels  $h(t)$  ?
4. What are the algorithms to find  $x(t)$  from  $y_n$  ?

1. “Classic”, subspace case. Given known fct  $\varphi(t)$ :

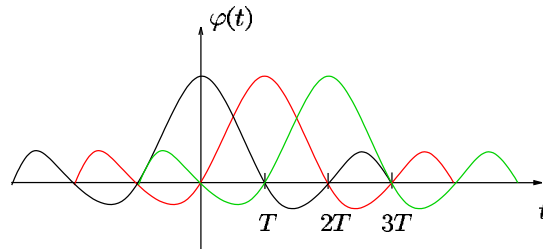
$$x(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n \varphi\left(\frac{t}{T} - n\right)$$

Space:  $\text{Span}\left\{\varphi\left(\frac{t}{T} - n\right)\right\}$

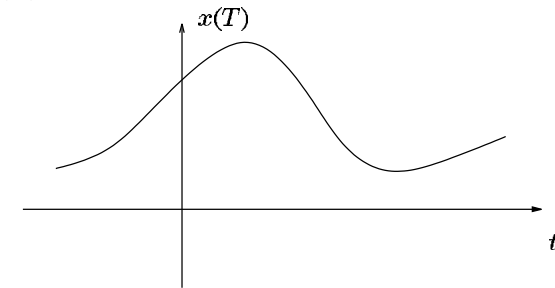
This is a well studied case (sampling, non-uniform sampling, reconstruction). It is a linear problem.

**Example: Bandlimited signals**  $[-w_m, w_m]$ ,  $\varphi(t) = \text{sinc}(t)$

**Basis:**

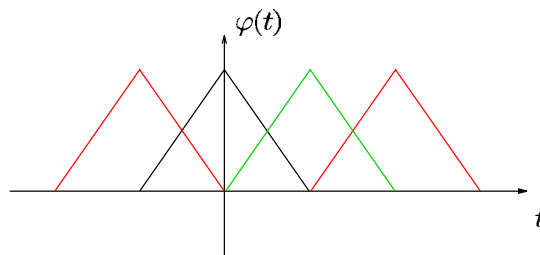


**Ex:**

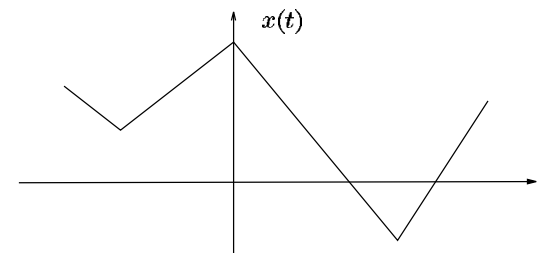


**Example: Uniform, B-splines,**

**Basis:**



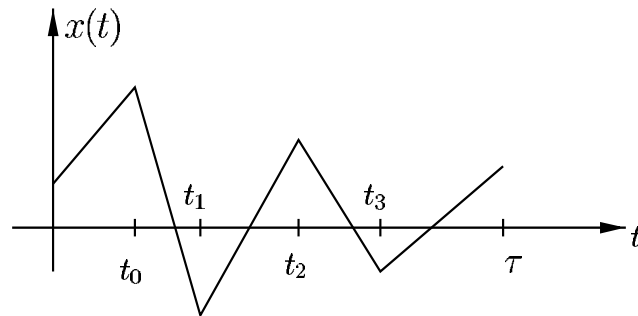
**Ex:**



2. Arbitrary shifts, known  $\varphi(t)$ :  $x(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n \varphi\left(\frac{t}{T} - \tau_n\right)$

**This is not a subspace!**

**Example: Non-uniform splines**

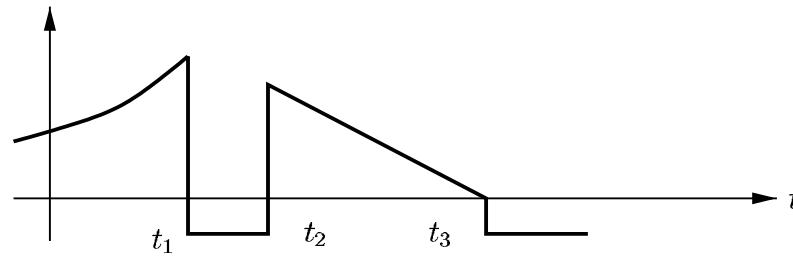


periodic non-uniform spline (deg. 1)

3. Arbitrary shifts, set of known fcts  $\phi_r(t)$ :

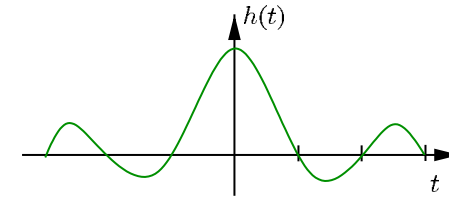
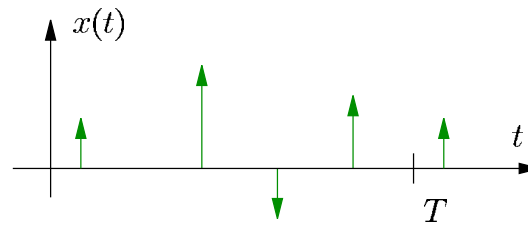
$$x(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{r=0}^R c_{nr} \phi\left(\frac{t - \tau_n}{T}\right)$$

**Example: Non-uniform piecewise polynomials**

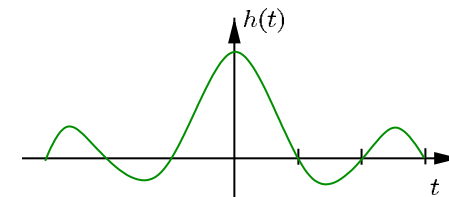
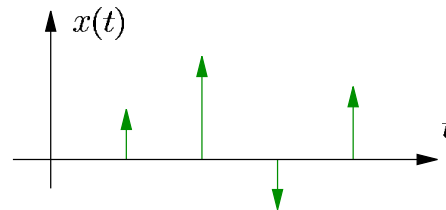


## The 4 cases of interest:

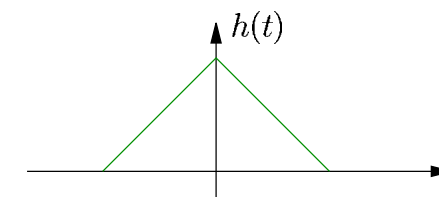
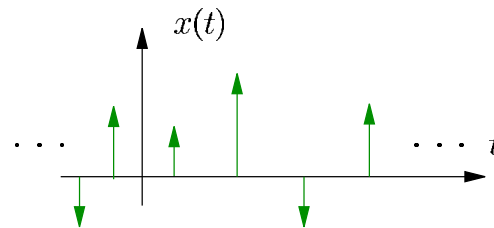
**1 Periodic signal  
infinite kernel**



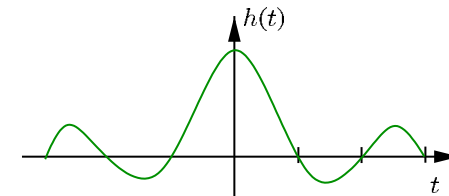
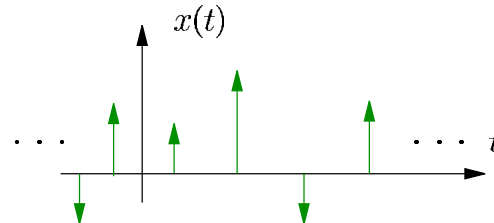
**2 Finite signal  
infinite kernel**



**3 Infinite signal  
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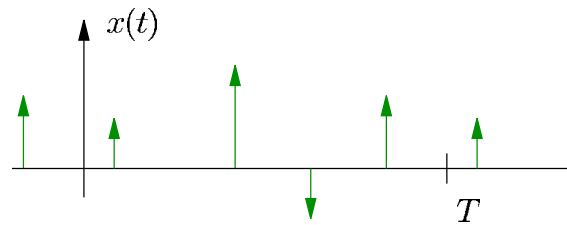


**4 Infinite signal  
infinite kernel**



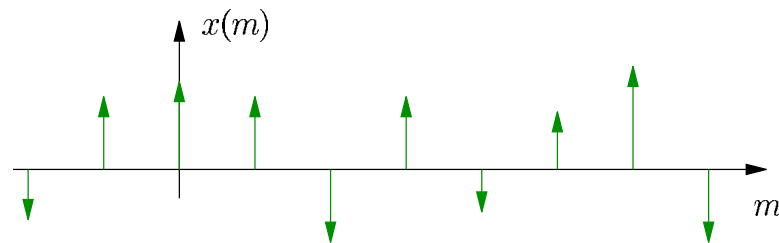
**Note: 1, 2 and 3 lead to finite dimensional problems**

### 3 The periodic case



**Fourier series**

$$x(t) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} X[m] e^{j2\pi m t / T}$$





### 3.A Periodic “stream” of Diracs

**K Diracs per  $\tau$  :**

**2K degrees of freedom  $\rho = \frac{2K}{\tau}$**

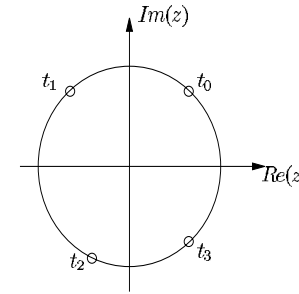
$$x(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n \delta(t - t_n) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} c_k \delta(t - t_k - n\tau) = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} c_k \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{\frac{j2\pi m(t - t_k)}{\tau}}$$

**or**  $X[m] = \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} c_k e^{\frac{-j2\pi m t_k}{\tau}} \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}$

**⚠  $X[m]$  is a weighted sum of K exponentials  $\left( e^{\frac{-j2\pi t_k}{\tau}} \right)^m$**

**Consider:**

$$A(z) = \sum_{m=0}^K A[m]z^{-m} = \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} \left( 1 - e^{\frac{-j2\pi t_k}{\tau}} \cdot z^{-1} \right)$$



**Now, note that**

$$\left[ 1, -e^{\frac{-j2\pi t_k}{\tau}} \right] * \left[ \dots, e^{\frac{j2\pi t_k}{\tau}}, 1, -e^{\frac{-j2\pi t_k}{\tau}}, e^{\frac{-j4\pi t_k}{\tau}}, \dots \right]$$

**is zero, from which follows that**  $A[m] * X[m] = 0$

**Equivalently, in time domain**

$$a(t) = A(z) \Big|_{z = e^{\frac{-j2\pi t_k}{\tau}}} = \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} \left( 1 - e^{\frac{-j2\pi(t_k - t)}{\tau}} \right)$$

**has zeros at**  $t = t_k$   $k = 0, \dots, K-1$ , **thus**  $a(t) \cdot x(t) = 0$

**$A(z)$  is called an annihilating filter, since it “kills”  $x(t)$**

**ECC: error locator polynomial**

**Theorem 1:** Consider a periodic stream of  $K$  Diracs, of period  $\tau$ , weights  $\{c_k\}$  and locations  $\{t_k\}$ . Take a sampling kernel

$$h_\beta(t) = \beta \text{sinc}(\beta t) \quad \hat{\text{sinc}} = \mathbb{I}[-\pi, \pi] \quad \text{where} \quad \beta = \frac{2K + \frac{1}{2}}{\tau} > \rho$$

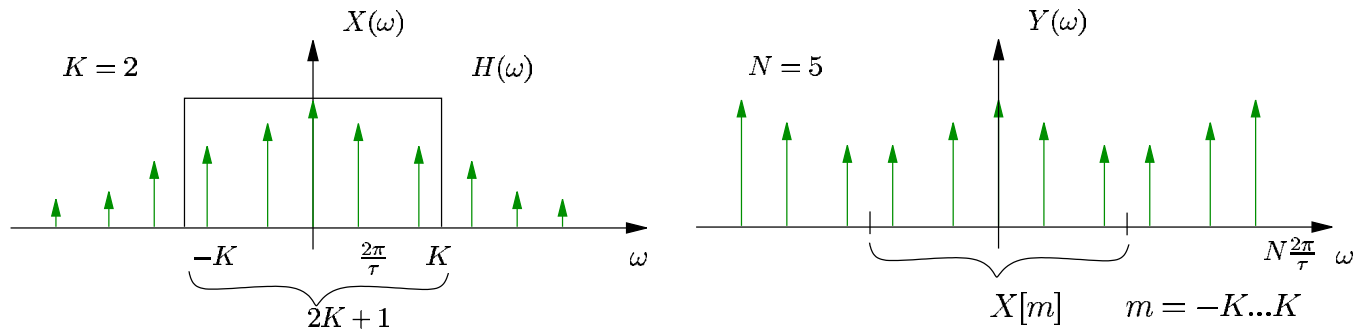
Pick  $N = 2K + 1$  and  $T = \tau/N$  Then

$$y_n = \langle h_\beta(t - nT), x(t) \rangle, \quad n = 0, \dots, N - 1$$

is a sufficient characterization of  $x(t)$ .

## Proof

1.  $y_n$  is a sufficient characterization of  $X[m]$ ,  $m = -K \dots K$   
 Either use Poisson  $\sum A[m]z^{-m}$ , or graphically:



2. Finding  $A[m]$  s.t.  $A[m] * X[m] = 0$   $A[0] = 1$ , solve for  $m = 1 \dots K$ . This leads to a Toeplitz system, e.g.  $K = 3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X[0] & X[-1] & X[-2] \\ X[1] & X[0] & X[-1] \\ X[2] & X[1] & X[0] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A[1] \\ A[2] \\ A[3] \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} X[1] \\ X[2] \\ X[3] \end{bmatrix}$$

**Classic Yule-Walker system**  
**Unique solution for distinct Dirac locations**

**3. Factorisation of  $A(z)$ :**  $A(z) = \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} (1 - u_k z^{-1})$

where  $u_k = e^{\frac{-j2\pi t_k}{\tau}}$ , thus  $\{t_k\}_{k=0}^{K-1}$  is found

**4. Finding the weights  $c_k$ .**

**Given  $\{t_k\}$ ,  $K$  values of  $X[k]$  are given,**

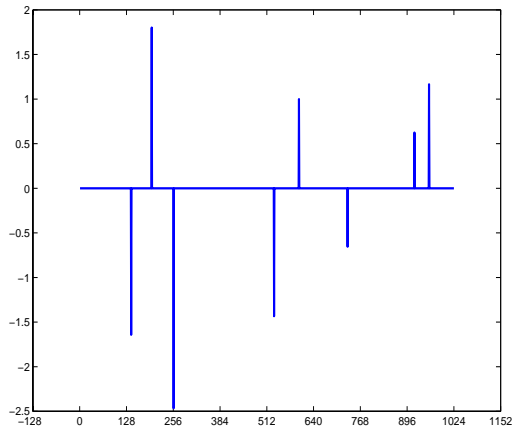
**for ex. for  $K = 3$**

$$\begin{bmatrix} X[0] \\ X[1] \\ X[2] \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\tau} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ u_0 & u_1 & u_2 \\ u_0^2 & u_1^2 & u_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

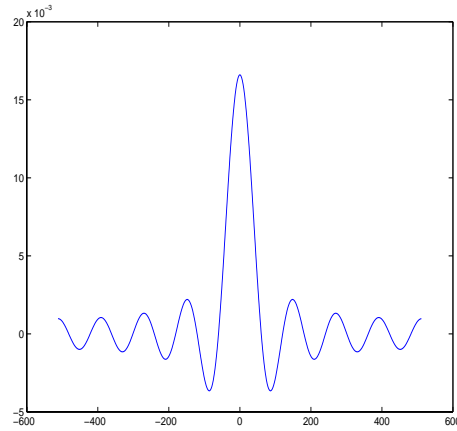
**which is a Vandermonde system, having always a solution given distinct  $t_k$ 's.**

**K=8**

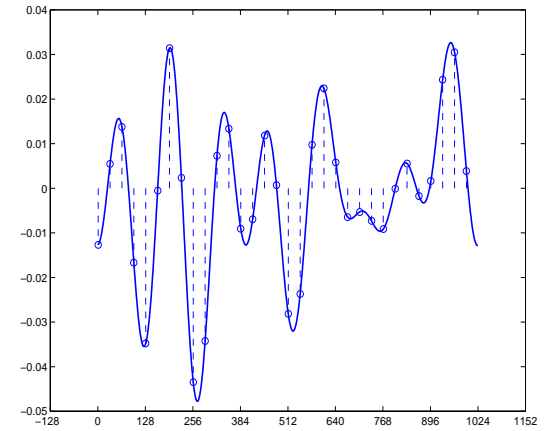
**x(t)**



**h(t)**

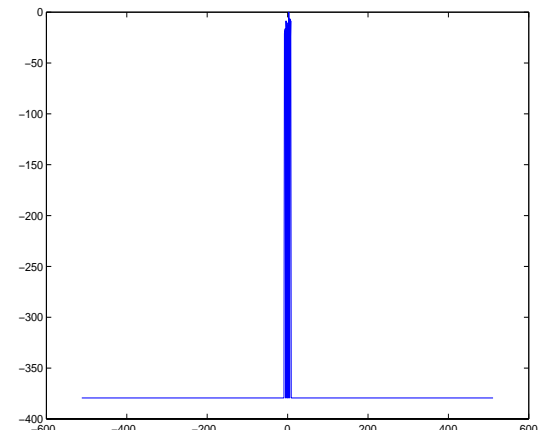
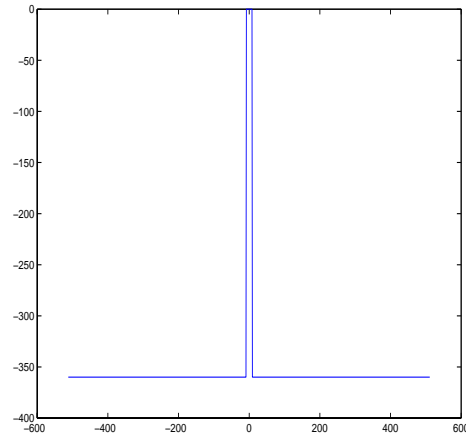
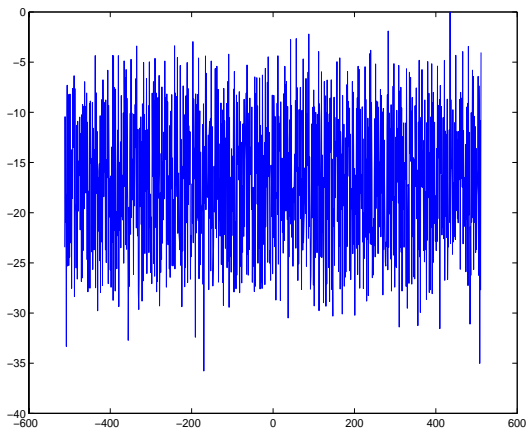


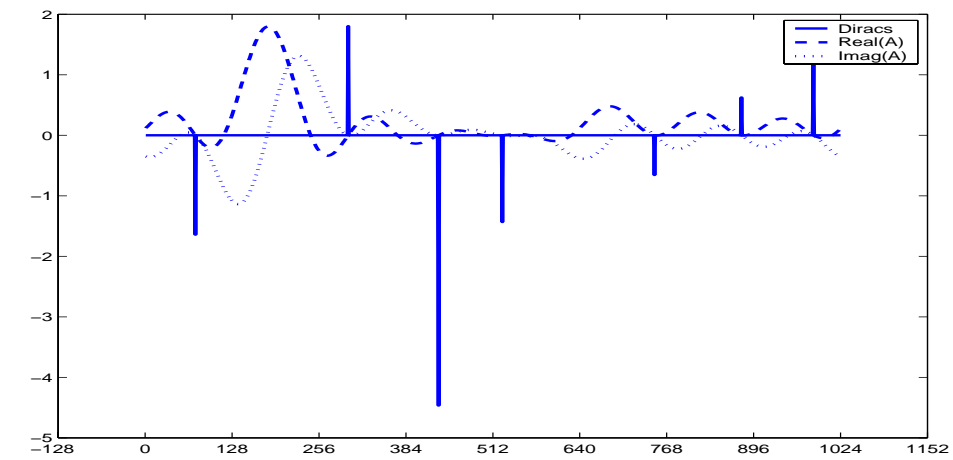
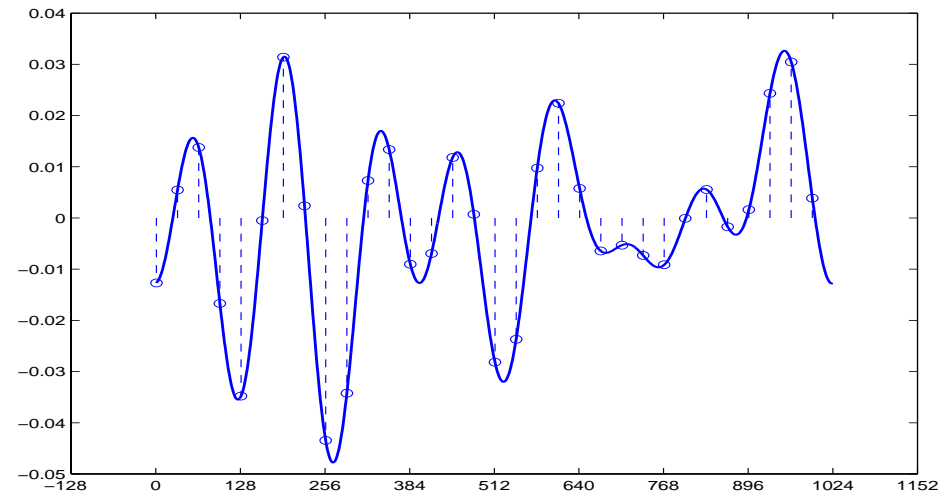
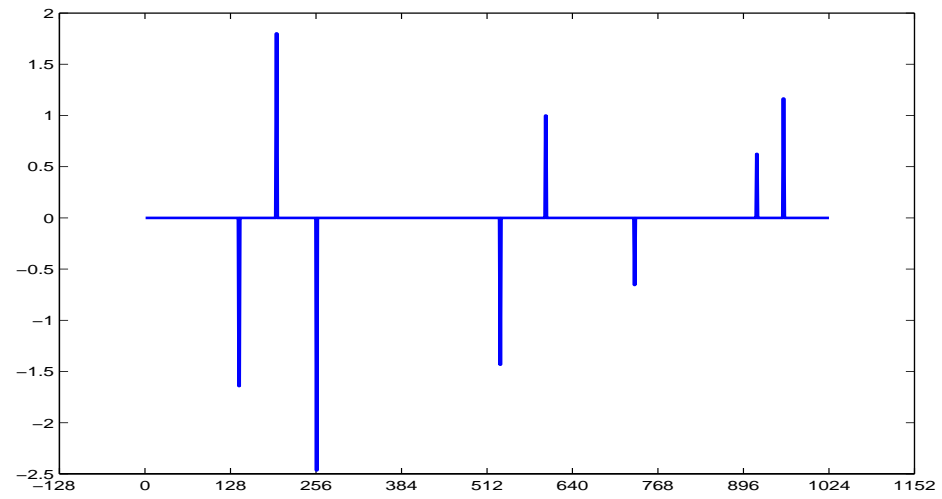
**y(t),  $y_n$**



**Time**

**Freq**





## Interpretation

The projection of  $x(t)$  onto the lowpass space  $BL\left[\frac{-K2\pi}{\tau}, \frac{K2\pi}{\tau}\right]$  is one-to-one for a periodic stream of  $K$  Diracs

**Corollary 1:** Given  $A[m]$ ,  $m = 0 \dots K$  and  $X[m]$ ,  $m = -K \dots K$  one can recover the entire spectrum as

$$X[m] = -\sum_{k=1}^K A[k]X[m-k] , m = K+1 \dots$$

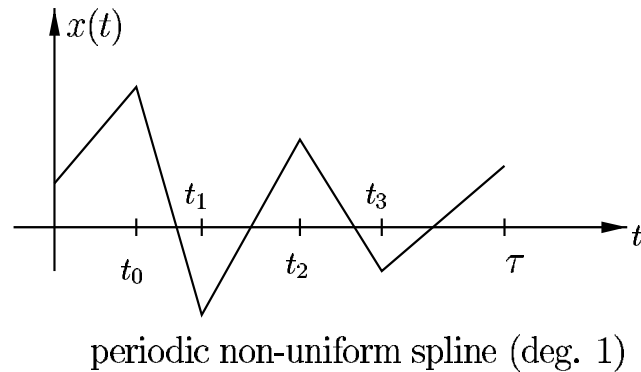
**Proof:** left to the reader

**Notes:**

1. annihilating filter known in sinusoidal retrieval from noise
2. same filter used in error correction coding, and called error locator polyn
3. recursive spectrum extrapolation known as Berlekamp-Massey algo. in ECC 2,3 over finite fields...



### 3.B Non-uniform splines



**A signal  $x(t)$  is a periodic non-uniform spline of degree  $R$  with  $K$  knots at  $\{t_k\}_{k=0}^{K-1}$  iff its  $(R + 1)^{\text{th}}$  derivative is periodic of the form**

$$x^{(R+1)}(t) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} c_m \delta(t - t_m)$$

**where  $t_{m+k} = t_m + \tau$**

**Clearly, the Fourier series satisfy**

$$X_{[m]}^{(R+1)} = \left(\frac{j2\pi m}{\tau}\right)^{R+1} X[m] \quad (*)$$

**Thus**

**Theorem 2:** Consider a periodic non-uniform spline of max degree  $R$  and period  $\tau$ . Take  $h_\beta(t)$  as sampling kernel, with

$$\beta = \frac{2K+1}{\tau} \quad \text{and} \quad T = \frac{\tau}{N} \quad N = 2K+1$$

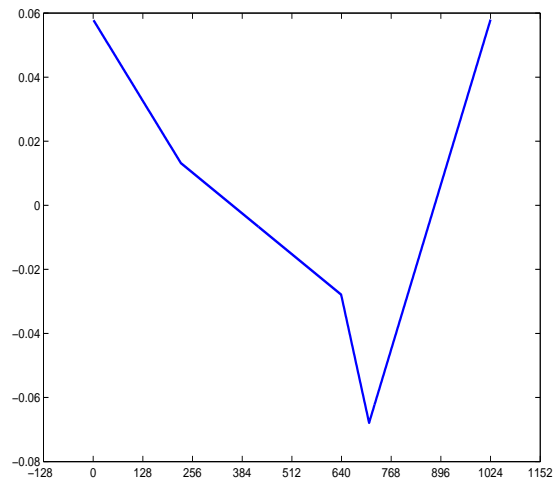
Then  $y_n = \langle h_\beta(t-nT), x(t) \rangle \quad n = 0 \dots N-1$

uniquely defines  $x(t)$ .

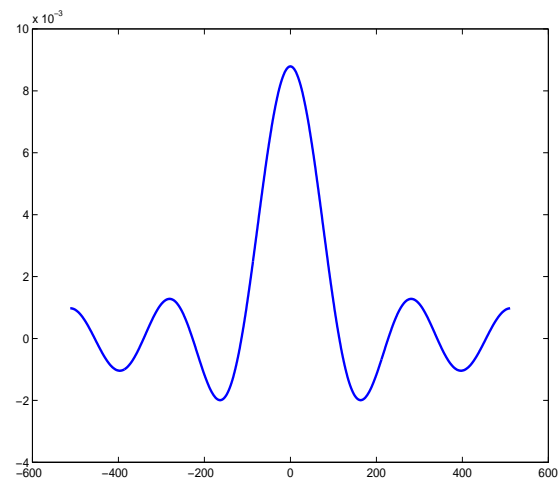
**Proof:** similar to Thm 1 to get  $X[m]$ . Then  $X_{[m]}^{(R+1)}$  follows from (\*), to which we apply Thm 1.  $X[0]$  is added at the end

Time

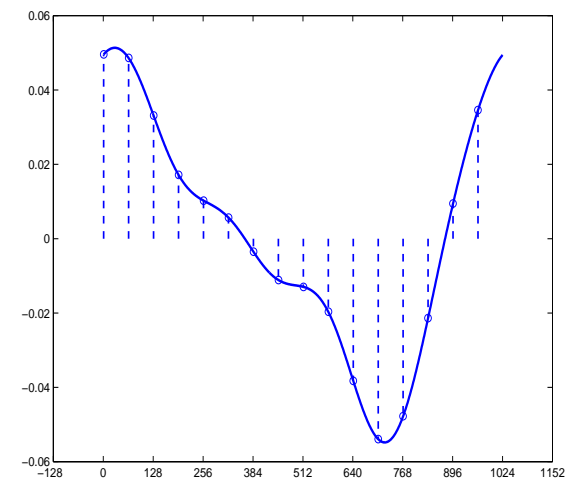
$x(t)$



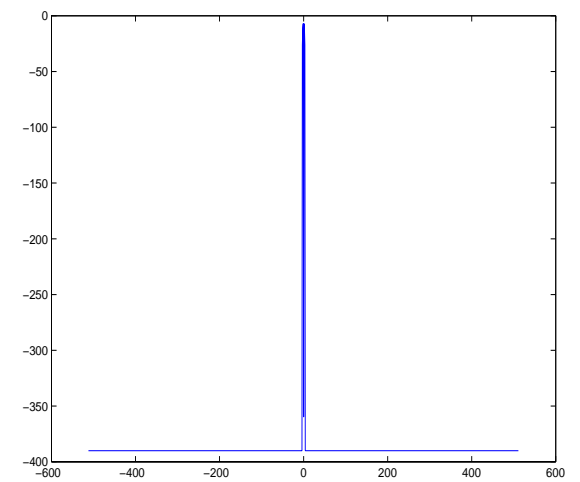
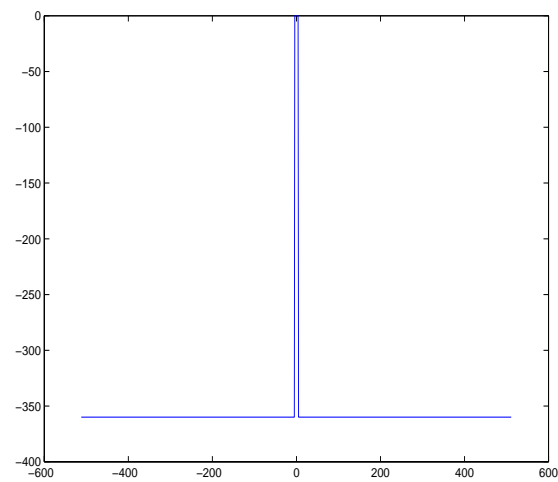
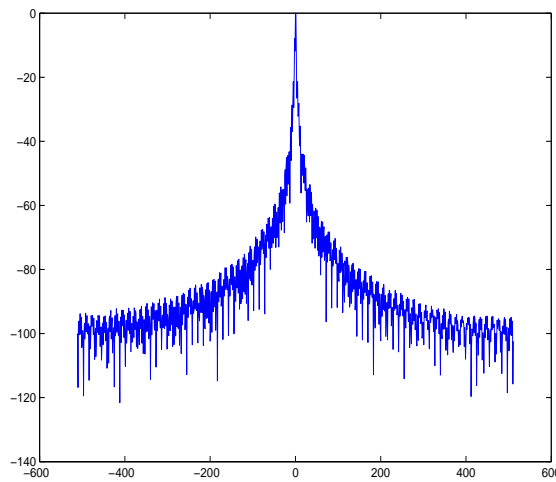
$h(t)$



$y(t), y_n$



Freq



### 3.C Derivatives of Diracs

$$\delta^{(r)}(t) : \int f(t) \delta^{(r)}(t-t_0) dt = (-1)^r f^{(r)}(t_0)$$

where  $f$  is  $r$ -times differentiable

Then a periodic stream of differentiated Diracs is

$$x(t) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{r=0}^{R_m-1} c_{mr} \delta^{(r)}(t-t_m)$$

There are:  $K$  locations,  $\tilde{K} = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} R_k$  weights.

Thus:  $\rho = \frac{K + \tilde{K}}{\tau}$

It can be verified that:

$$X[m] = \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \sum_{r=0}^{R_m-1} c_{kr} \left( \frac{j2\pi m}{\tau} \right)^r e^{\frac{-j2\pi m t_k}{\tau}}$$

**The annihilating filter now requires multiples zeros, since**

**$(1 - u_k z^{-1})^R$  annihilates  $m^{R-1} u_m^k$ . Thus  $A(z)$  becomes**

$$A(z) = \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} (1 - u_k z^{-1})^{R_k}$$

**Then:  $A[m] * X[m] = 0$ , therefore, one can show:**

**Theorem 3:** Consider a periodic stream of differentiated Diracs as above. Take as sampling kernel  $h_\beta(t) = \beta \text{sinc}(\beta t)$  with  $\beta = \rho + 1/\tau$  and sample  $h_\beta Sx$  at  $N$  points  $t = n\tau/N$  where  $n = 0 \dots N-1$  and  $N = K + \tilde{K} + 1$ . Then

$$y_n = \langle h_\beta\left(t - n\frac{\tau}{N}\right), x(t) \rangle \quad n = 0 \dots N-1$$

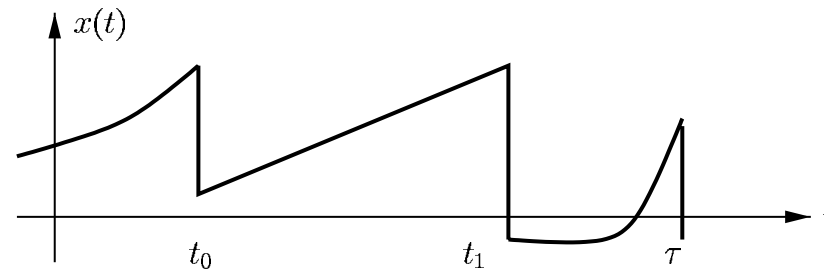
is a sufficient characterization of  $x(t)$ .

**Proof:** Similarly to Thm 1, we first get  $X[m]$  from  $y_n$ .

Then we solve for the location  $\{t_k\}$   $A[m] * X[m] = 0$  and finally for the coefficients  $\{c_{kr}\}$ .

The latter calls for a generalized Vandermonde system which is non-singular for  $t_i \neq t_j \quad i \neq j$ .

### 3.D Piecewise Polynomials



**A periodic piecewise polynomial  $x(t)$  with  $K$  pieces of degree  $\max R$  has an  $(R + 1)^{\text{th}}$  derivative which is a stream of differentiated Diracs, or**

$$x(t) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{r=0}^{R_m-1} c_{mr} \delta^{(r)}(t - t_m)$$

**There are:  $K$  locations,  $\tilde{K} = (R + 1)K$  weights**

$$\rho = \frac{(R + 2)K}{\tau}$$

**Then:**

**Theorem 4:** A signal defined by its derivatives as in (\*\*) can be recovered after convolution by  $h_\beta(t)$ , where  $\beta = \rho + 1/\tau$  and sampling at  $t = n\tau/N$  with  $N = (R + 2)K + 1$ , that is

$$y_n = \langle h_\beta\left(t - n\frac{\tau}{N}\right), x(t) \rangle \quad n = 0 \dots N - 1$$

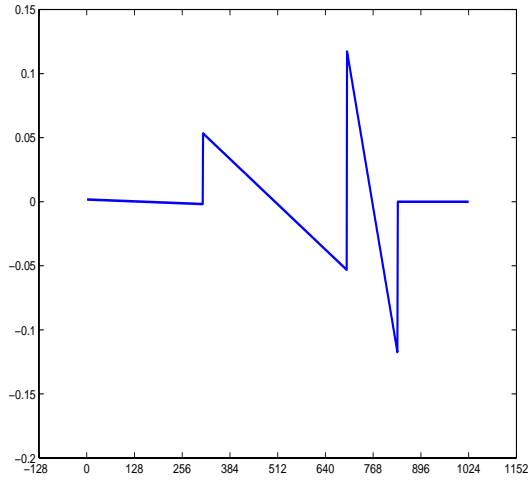
uniquely specifies  $x(t)$

**Proof:** left to the reader, along Theorem 1, 2 and 3.

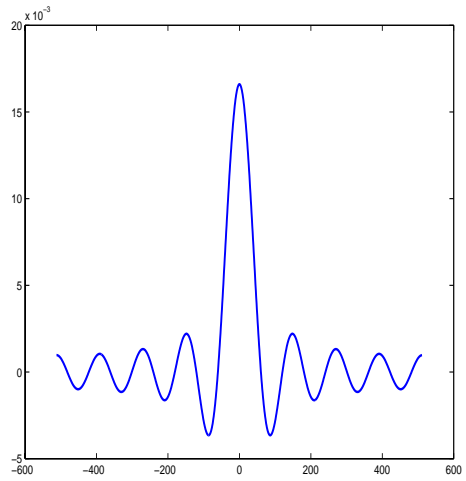


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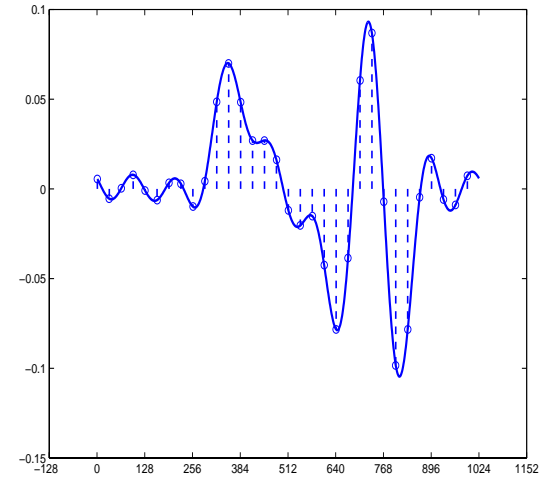
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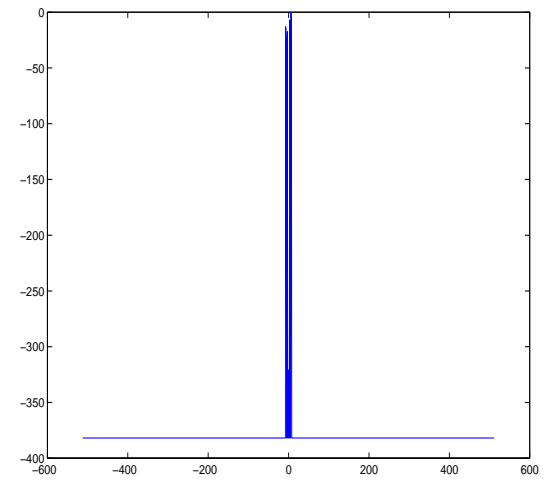
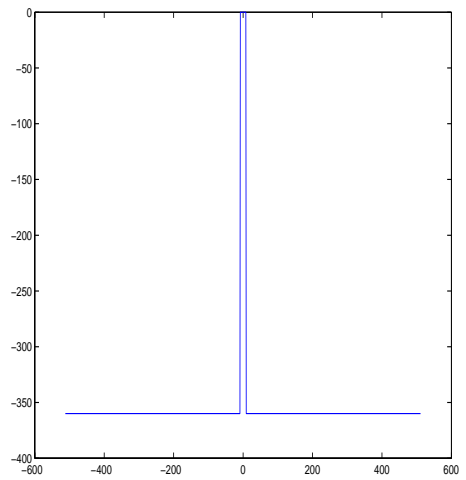
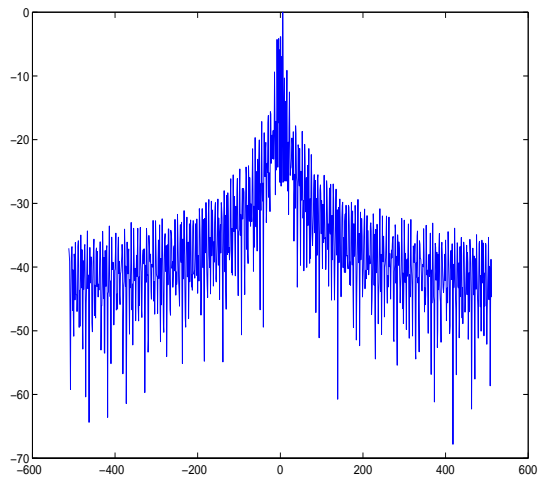
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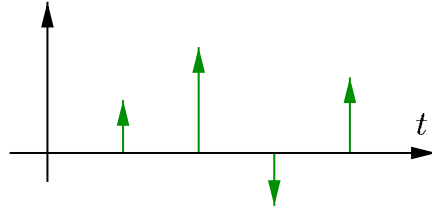
$y(t), y_n$



Freq



## 4 Finite Length Signals



**A finite length signal with finite  $\rho$  clearly has a finite # of degrees of freedom.**

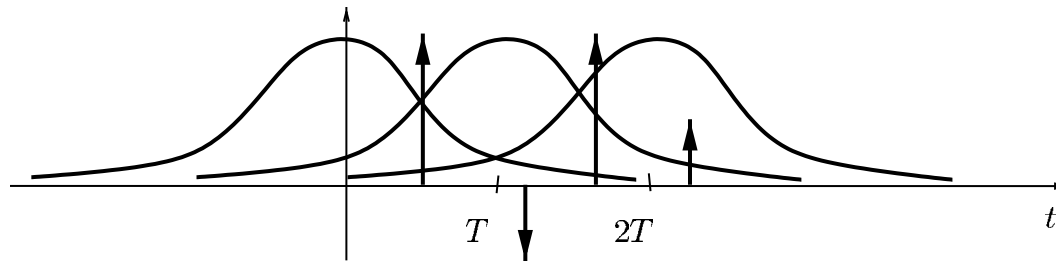
**The question of interest is:**

given a sampling kernel with a **infinite support** (like the sinc or the gaussian), is there a **finite set of samples** that uniquely specifies the signal?

## 4.1 Gaussian Kernel

Consider the same signal as in (4.1), now using a gaussian kernel

$$h(t) = e^{-t^2/(2\sigma^2)}$$



Then, the sample values are

$$y_n = \langle x(t), e^{-\left(\frac{t}{T} - n\right)^2 / (2\sigma^2)} \rangle$$

$$y_n = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} c_k e^{-\left(\frac{t_k}{T} - n\right)^2 / (2\sigma^2)}$$

**Expanding (4.1)**

$$y_n = \sum_k c_k e^{\frac{-t_k^2}{T^2 2\sigma^2}} \cdot e^{\frac{nt_k}{T 2\sigma^2}} \cdot e^{\frac{-n^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad (4.2)$$

**Introduce**

$$Y_n = e^{\frac{n^2}{T^2 2\sigma^2}} \cdot y_n$$

**Thus**

$$Y_n = \sum_k \underbrace{c_k e^{\frac{-t_k^2}{T^2 2\sigma^2}}}_{a_k} \cdot \underbrace{\left( e^{\frac{t_k}{T 2\sigma^2}} \right)^n}_{u_k^n}$$

$$Y_n = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} a_k u_k^n \quad (4.4)$$

**that is ... a linear combination of exponentials!**

**Therefore, use the usual method of the good old annihilating filter**

$$A*Y = 0$$

**and factor it such as to find  $\{u_k\}_{k=0 \dots K-1}$**

**From  $u_k$ :**

$$t_k = 2\sigma^2 T \ln u_k$$

**From  $u_k$  and  $t_k$  and  $K$  values of  $Y_n$ , we can solve for  $c_k$  in (4.2). Thus**

**Theorem 5:** Given a finite stream of  $K$  Diracs and a gaussian

kernel  $h(t) = e^{-t^2/(2\sigma^2)}$  , then  $N$  samples

$$y_n = \langle x(t), h\left(\frac{t}{T} - n\right) \rangle$$

where  $N \geq 2K$ , are sufficient to reconstruct the signal.

**Note:** Similar remarks as for Theorem 3...

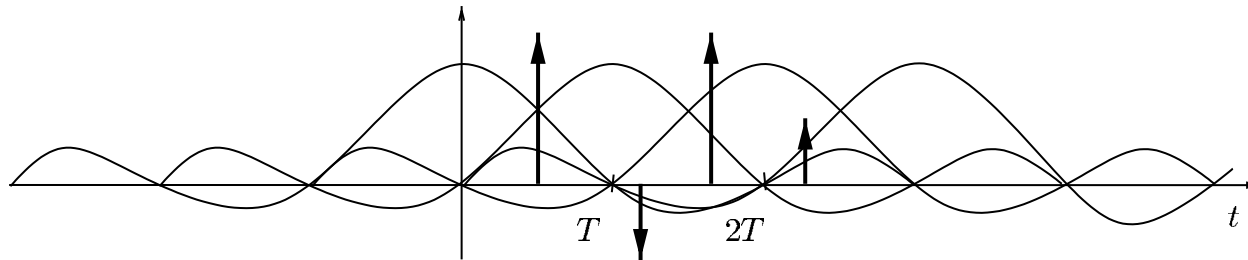
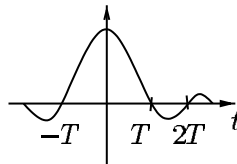
**But:** Here, unlike in the sinc case, we have an “almost local” reconstruction because of the exponential decay of  $h(t)$  !

## 4.2 Sinc kernel (Thierry's tour de force)

Consider a finite sequence of spikes

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} C_k \delta(t - t_k) \quad (4.5)$$

and a kernel  $\text{sinc}(t/T)$



The samples  $y_n = \langle x(t), \text{sinc}\left(\frac{t}{T} - n\right) \rangle$  are

$$y_n = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} C_k \text{sinc}\left(\frac{t_k}{T} - n\right) = (-1)^n \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} C_k \frac{\sin(\pi t_k/T)}{\pi\left(\frac{t_k}{T} - n\right)} \quad (4.6)$$

**Introduce the following interpolators:**

$$P(u) = \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} \left( \frac{t_k}{T} - u \right) = \sum_{k=0}^K p_k u^k, \text{ deg. } K$$

$$P_l(u) = \prod_{k \neq l} \left( \frac{t_k}{T} - u \right), \text{ deg. } K - 1$$

**Then, consider the following**

$$Y_n = (-1)^n P(n)y(n) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} C_k \sin((\pi t_k)/T) P_k(n) \quad (4.7)$$

$$Y = A \cdot C$$

**Now (key insight!)  $Y_n$  is of degree  $K-1$  Thus**

$$\Delta^K Y_n = 0 \quad n = K \dots N-1 \quad (4.8)$$

$$V \cdot p = 0 \quad N - K \geq K$$

**Note:  $\sim \Delta^k$  similar to annihilating filter**



So, as long as  $N - K \geq K$ , one can use (4.4) to solve for  $P_k$  from  $y_n$ . This leads to  $\{t_0, t_1, \dots, t_{K-1}\}$ .

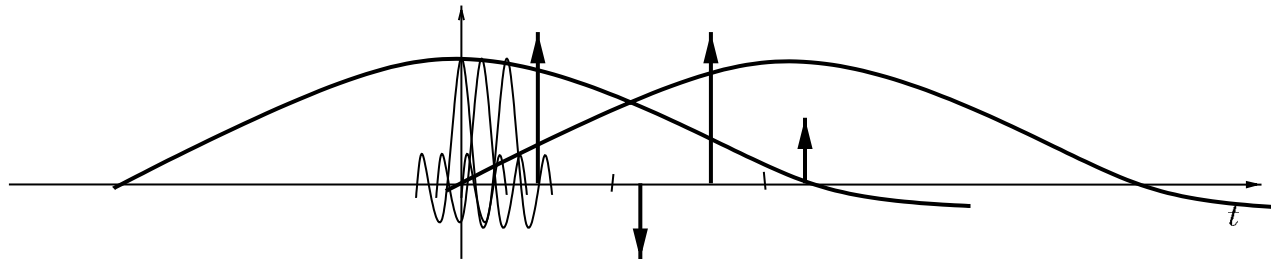
Using this in (4.6) allows to solve for  $\{c_i\}$ . Thus:

**Theorem 6:** Given a finite stream of  $K$  Diracs and a  $\text{sinc}(t/T)$

kernel,  $N$  samples  $y_n = \langle x(t), \text{sinc}\left(\frac{t}{T} - n\right) \rangle_{n=0 \dots N-1}$  where

$N \geq 2K$ , are sufficient to reconstruct the signal.

**Note:** the result does not depend on  $T$ ! of course, it shows up in the conditioning of linear system!!



**The steps to reconstruct the signal are**

**1. Solve a linear system  $K \times K$**

$$\{y_i\} \rightarrow \{p_i\}, i = 0 \dots K-1 \quad (p_K = 1)$$

**2. Factor**

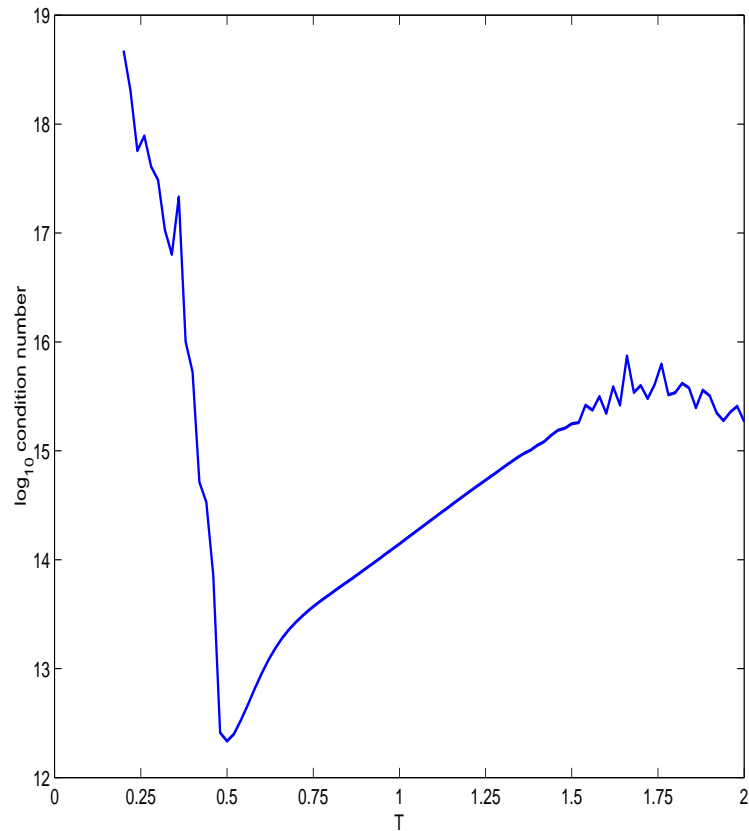
$$P(u) \rightarrow \{t_i\}, i = 0 \dots K-1$$

**3. Solve linear system  $\rightarrow \{c_i\}$**

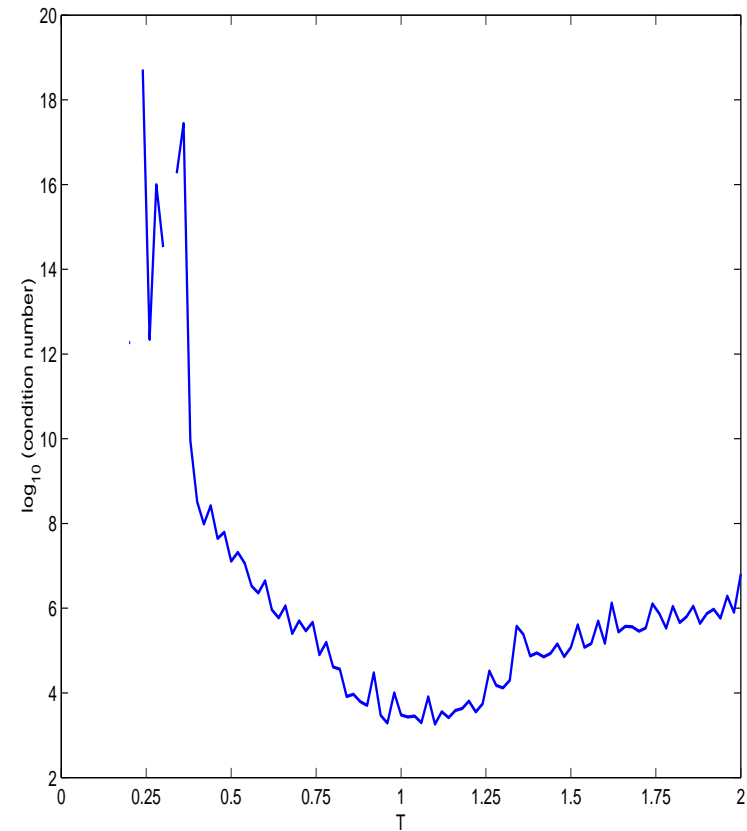
**This method can be extended to piecewise polynomials, similarly to Theorem 4.**

**Also, there is an obvious equivalent for discrete-time signals from  $l_2(\mathbb{Z})$  and discrete-time sinc kernels.**

## Sinc Kernel, finite length signals



Conditioning on location



Conditioning on weights

## 5. Applications

We show 2 direct applications of the results shown above.

### 5.1 Piecewise Bandlimited Signals

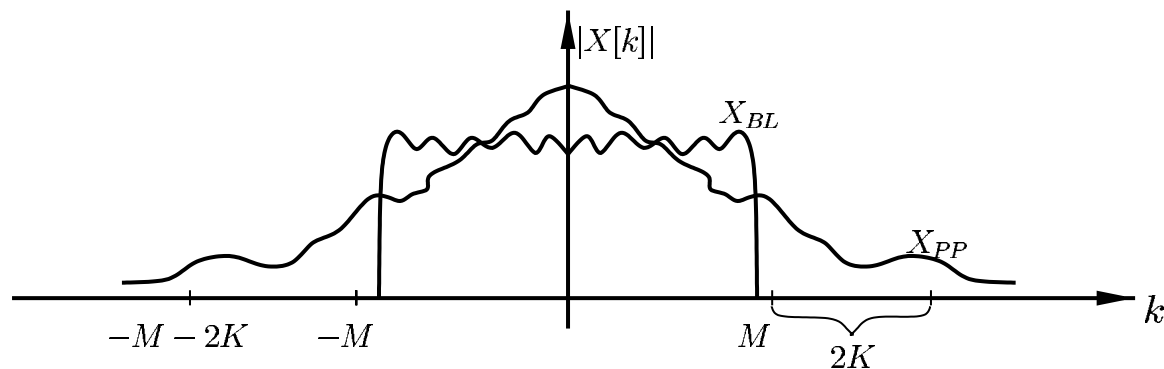
Consider a signal that is the sum

$$x = x_{BL} + x_{PP}$$

where  $x_{BL}$  is bandlimited and  $x_{PP}$  is piecewise polynomial.

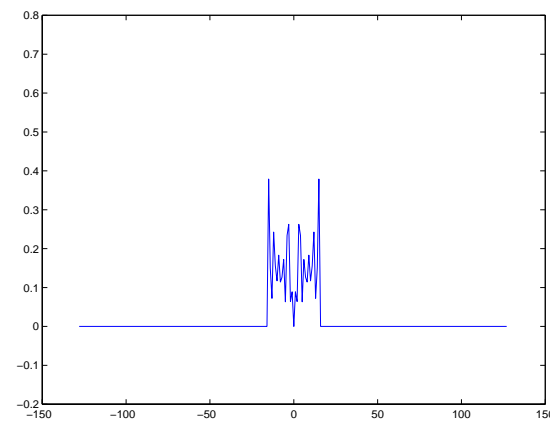
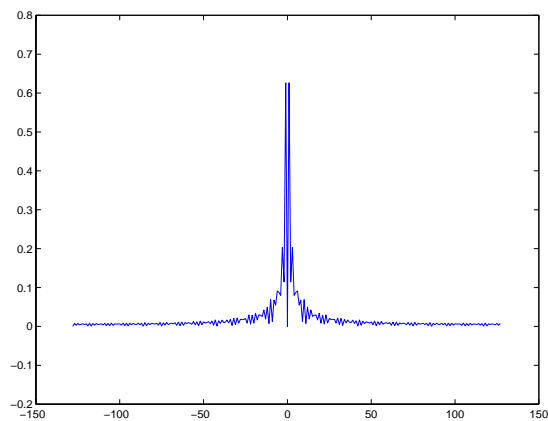
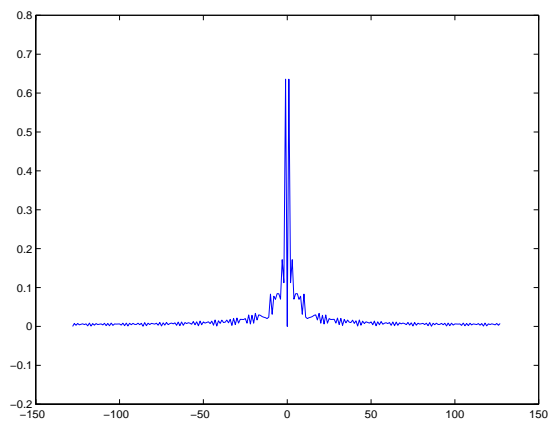
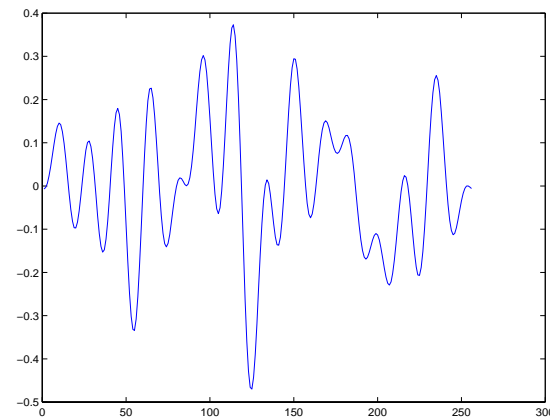
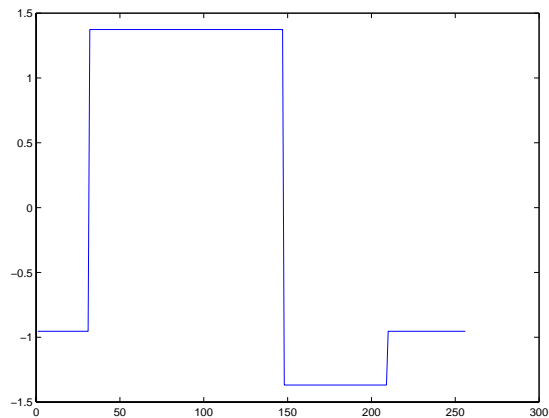
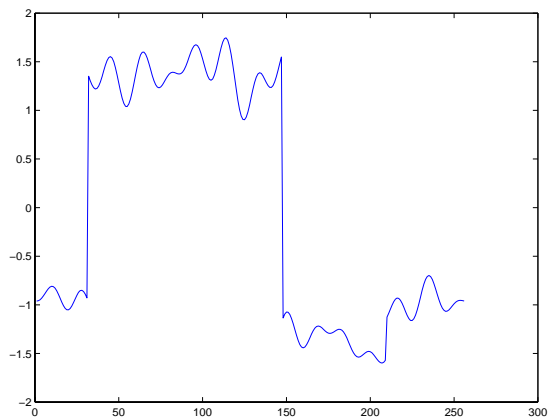
Assume  $x_{BL}$  is specified by its frequency component  $X_{BL}[k]$ ,  $k \in [-M, M]$  while  $x_{PP}$  has  $2K$  degrees of freedom.

Then, consider the spectrum of  $X[k]$ ,  $k \in [-M - 2K, M + 2K]$ .



First, using  $X[k]$ ,  $k \in [M + 1, M + 2K]$  and the technique of Proposition 1 or Theorem 1, we can recover  $x_{PP}$ . Subtracting  $X_{PP}$  from  $X$ , we can then recover  $X_{BL}$ .

# Piecewise Bandlimited Signal



**Thus:**

**Proposition 3:** Given a piecewise BL signal of length  $N$ , with  $2M + 2K$  degrees of freedom. Pick  $Q$  a divisor of  $N$  and  $\phi[n] = \text{IDTFS}(I[-2K - M, M + 2K])$ .

Then

$$y[l] = \langle x[n], \phi[n - lQ] \rangle_{\text{circ}}$$

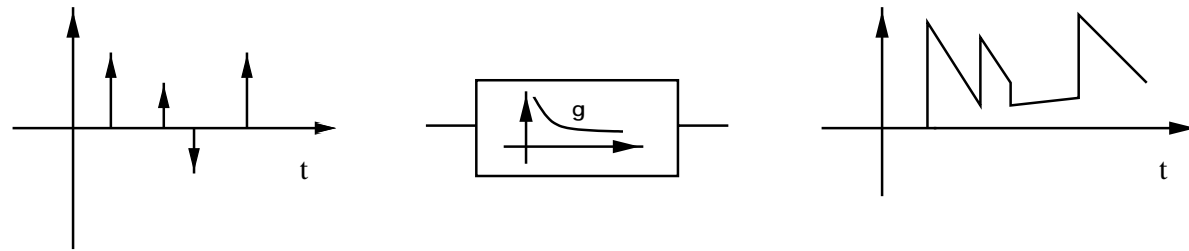
uniquely specify  $x[n]$  if

$$\frac{N}{2Q} > M + 2K$$

**The proof follows from earlier results with adjustments •**

## 5.2 Filtered Piecewise Polynomials

Consider a stream of  $K$  Diracs convolved with a known filter  $g(t)$



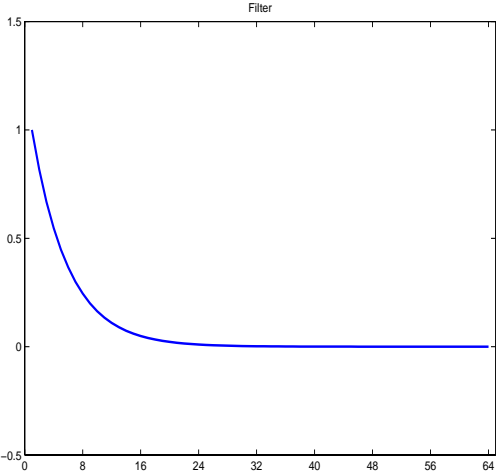
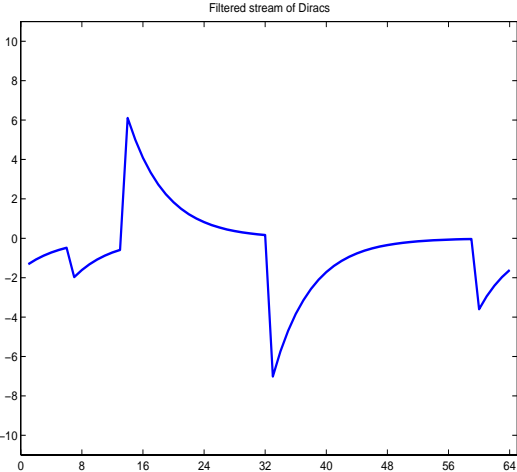
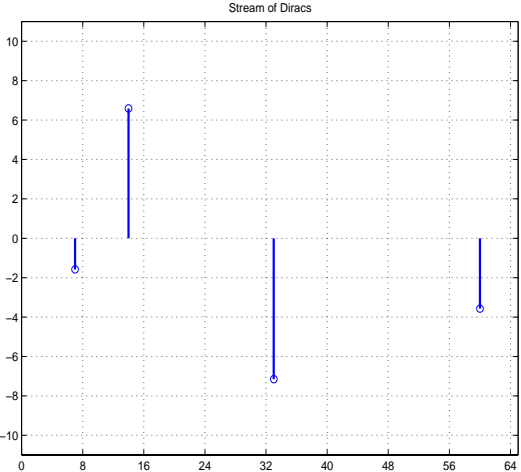
**Thus:**  $x(t) = g(t) * d(t)$

where  $g$  is known and  $d(t) = \sum_i \alpha_i \delta(t - t_i)$

**Clearly, if  $g[n] \leftrightarrow G[k]$  is invertible over  $2K$  frequency values, then we can use Proposition 1.**



Example:



**In particular:**

**Proposition 4:** Assume  $x[n]$  with  $K$  Diracs and a filter  $G[k] \neq 0$ ,  $k \in [-K, K]$ . The signal we observe is  $x[n]*g[n]$ .

Using  $\varphi[n] = \text{IDTFS}(I_{[-K, K]})$  and  $M$  such that  $\frac{N}{2M} > K$ ,  $M$  a divisor of  $N$

Then

$$y[l] = \langle x[n], \varphi[n - lM] \rangle$$

is a sufficient representation of  $x[n]$ .

**A more difficult case appears when  $g[n]$  is unknown but of finite  $\rho$  ...**

## 6 Multidimensional Case

**2D Poisson: K Diracs on  $\mathbb{R}^2/T$**

**Various approaches**

- non separability is the key!
- $X[m_1, m_2], |m_i| \leq K$  is sufficient  $\Rightarrow O(K^2)$  samples
- $X[m_1, m_1], |m_1| \leq K$  is sufficient  $\Rightarrow O(K)$  samples

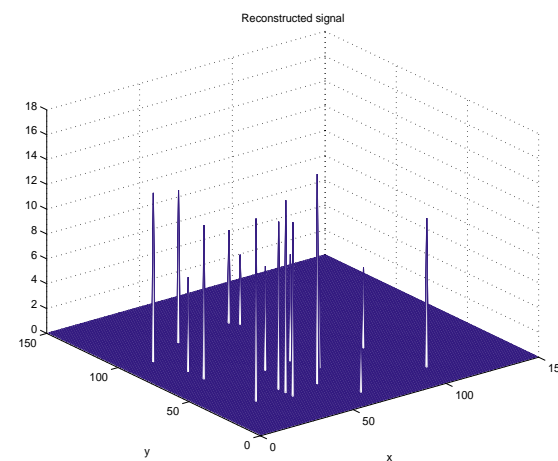
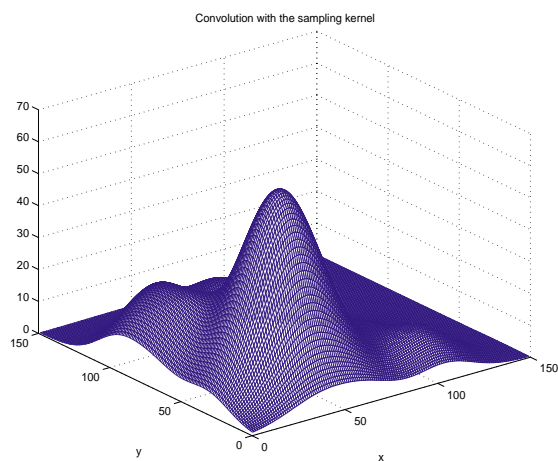
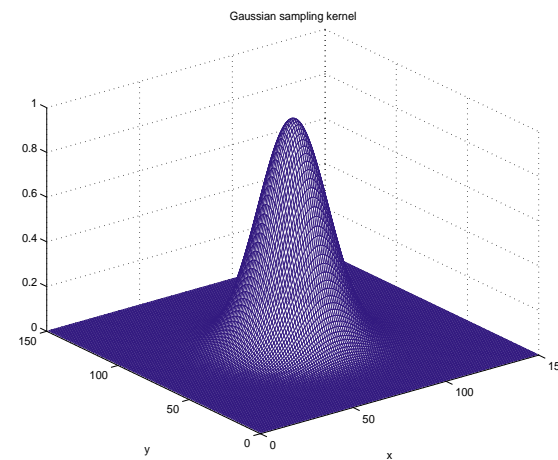
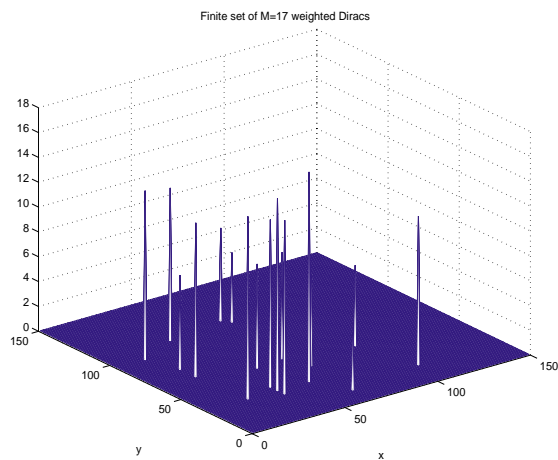
**--> 2D root finding (...) or spectral extrapolation**

**Extension:**

- lines
- simple objects

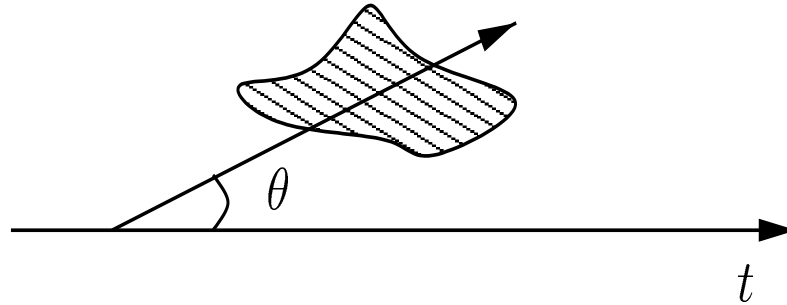
**Goal: #samples  $\sim$  #deg. of freedom of object**

# Example of a 2D gaussian kernel:



## 2D methods based on projections

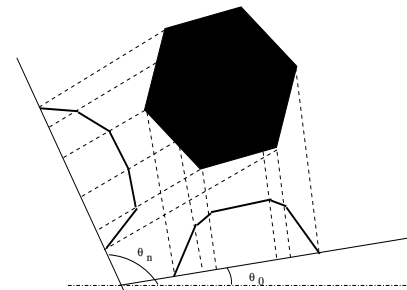
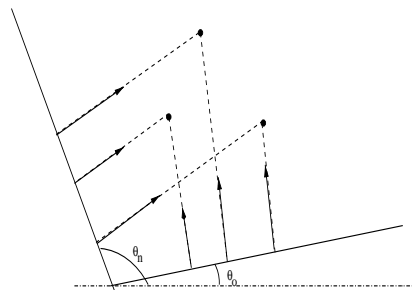
### Radon Transform



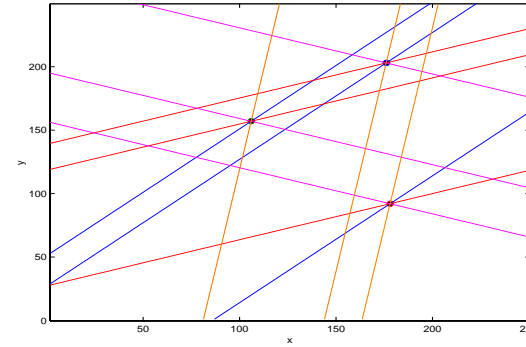
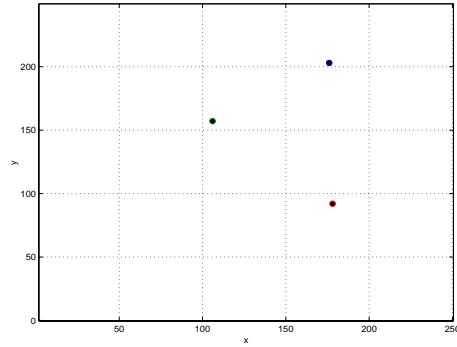
$$f(x, y) \Leftrightarrow F(\theta, t)$$

What about “finite complexity” objects?

⇒ Projections are finite rate of innovation!



**Result: Set of  $K$  Diracs can be perfectly reconstructed from  $K+1$  bandlimited projections with  $2K$  samples**

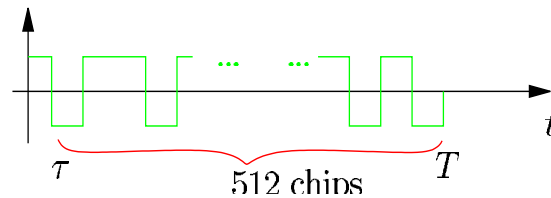


**See [Maravic] ICASSP-2002**

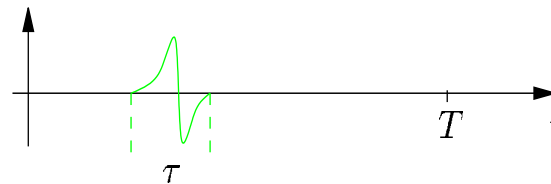
## 7 Communications Applications

Many communication systems use wideband signalling

CDMA: chip rate  $\gg$  symbol rate



UWB: pulse position modulation



In both cases

rate of innovation  $\ll$  bandwidth

But: Noise !

Solution: oversample  
subspace methods, SVD

## 7.1 Solving for sinusoids in noise

Idea: Solve for “longer” filter:

$$\mathbf{M+1 \times M+1} \begin{bmatrix} x(0) & x(-1) & \dots & x(-M) \\ x(1) & x(0) & & \\ x(2) & & \dots & \\ \dots & & & \\ x(M) & & \dots & x(0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \dots \\ a_{M-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x(1) \\ \dots \\ x(M+1) \end{bmatrix}$$

using  $2M+1$  samples  $> 2K$  **oversample**

Now: The noiseless Toeplitz matrix has rank  $K$  (# of sinusoids)

with  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 & a_1 & \dots & a_{K-1} \end{bmatrix}$

where  $a_i = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\omega_i M} & \dots & 1 & \dots & e^{j\omega_i M} \end{bmatrix}^T$



**we can write the Toeplitz matrix as**

$$T = A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0 & & & \\ & \alpha_1 & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & \alpha_{K-1} \end{bmatrix} \cdot A^M + N$$

**where N is the noise Toeplitz matrix**

**Thus: If the sinusoids dominate the noise (M large enough), a K-dimensional subspace identifies the sinusoids**

**Then:**

- 1. Compute SVD of T**
  - 2. Approximate by K largest singular value:  $T \rightarrow \hat{T}$**
  - 3. Solve  $\hat{T}a = x$  on subspace**
  - 4. Find roots closest to U.C.**
- $\Rightarrow$  best approximation of sinusoids**

## Note:

- Many alternative available
- well studied problem
- time versus correlation domain

**Example:** - MUSIC  
- ESPRIT  
- NL

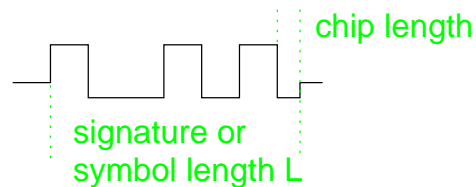
## 7.2 Multiuser Communication

### Direct Sequence Code Division Mult. Access (DS-SS-CDMA)

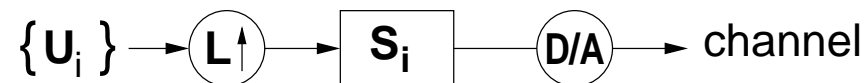
Model:

- User  $i$  has a signature sequence  $S_i$
- each bit is spread into this signature

Ex:



Thus:



Clearly: rate of innovation is symbol rate

Usually: sampling done at chip rate or faster

Now: chip rate  $10^2-10^3 >$  symbole rate! (e.g.  $L=511$ )

**But:** - multiaccess scheme  
- multipath environment

**Multiaccess:** signature are orthogonal

**Multipath:** small number of dominant pulses

$$\text{User } i: p_i(t) = \sum_{k=1}^p \beta_i \delta(t - t_k^{(l)})$$

**Two phases**

**1. Channel estimation:**

Using training sequences,  $\{p_i(l)\}_{i=1..K}$  is estimated

**2. Detection:**

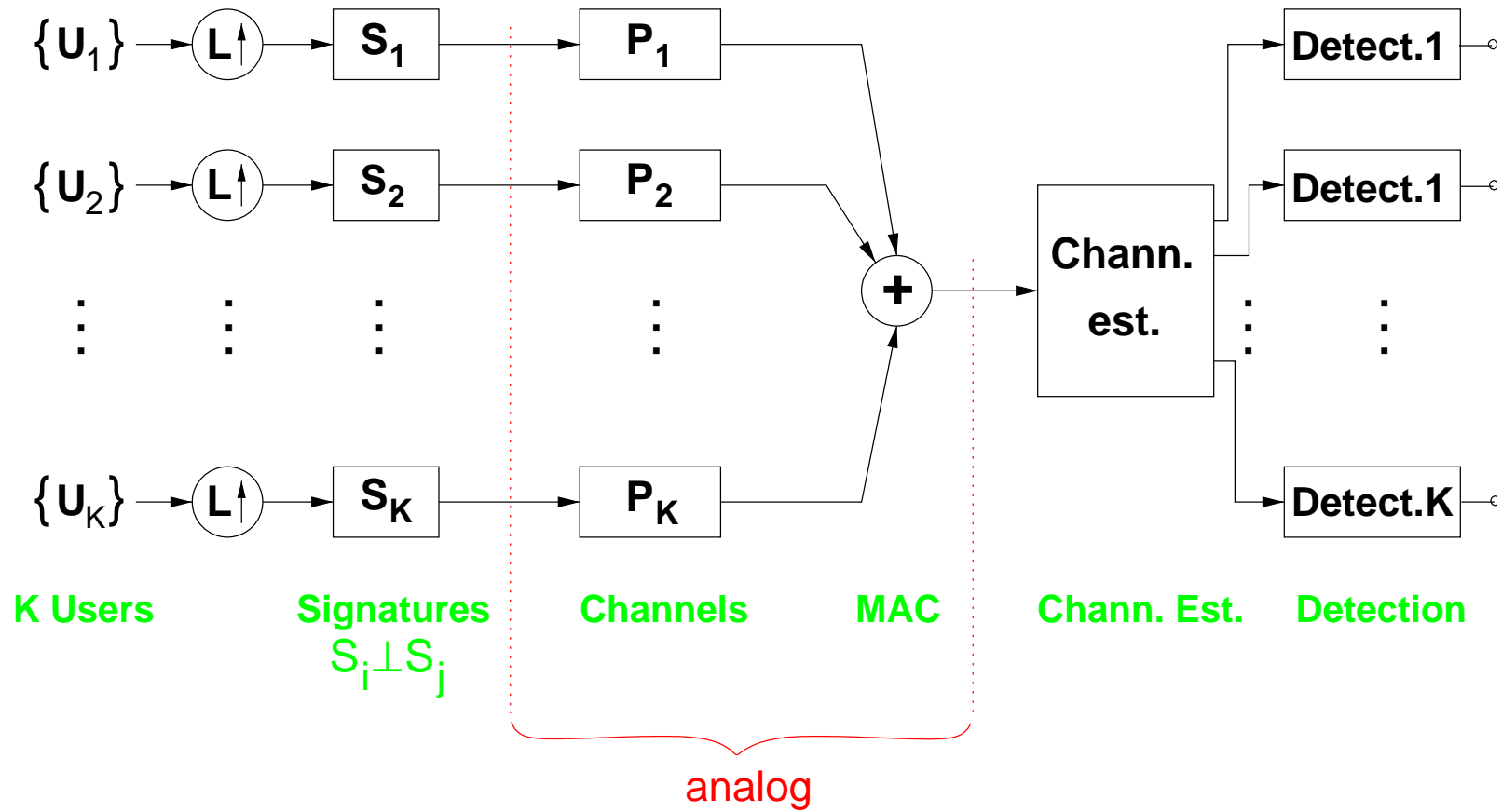
Based on the channel estimate, various detectors (e.g. MMSE) can be applied

**Question:** For a digital receiver,

Should one run:

- channel estimation
- detection

at symbol rate or chip rate?



## Degrees of freedom

**Channels:**

- **K users**
- **P multiple paths**

**But: users can use training sequences of length K**

**Result:**

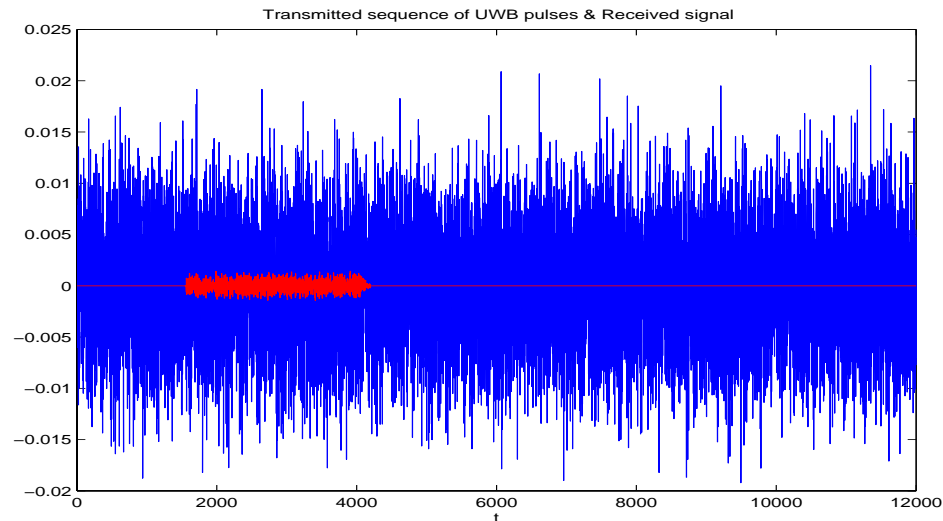
**Solving K linear systems of  $O(M)$  with  $M \geq 2P$ ,  
is sufficient for channel estimation**

## 7.3 Ultrawideband communications

**Very low signal to noise ratio (-15 dB)**

**Used for communications in unlicensed spectrum  
and for ranging applications**

**Bandwidth: several GHz  
Very difficult to design digital receivers**



**Results:**

**Finding one dominant eigenvalue can be sufficient !**

## 8 Conclusions

### **We have seen:**

- Many signals that look “unsamplable” actually can be sampled at their rate of innovation!
- Methods: give me an exponential and I will annihilate it!
- Structured linear systems with fast algorithms  $O(K^2)$
- Can be generalized (rotational, 2D)

**But: There are many more signals with finite rate of innovation**

**Conjecture: They can be sampled at or above their rate of innovation!**



## Outlook

- Many other parametric classes are of interest (piecewise trigonom.)
- Often, there is a “low degree of freedom” explanation
- This is not necessarily a subspace (e.g. manifold)
- “Super-resolution” signal processing for appropriate models (channels, images, etc...) has great potential

**Occam's Razor for sampling!**

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