

## EE123 Discussion Section 2

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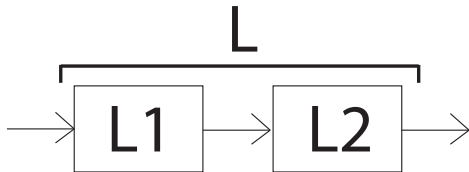
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## General

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Questions about homework1 / lab0?

## Question 1

Let  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  be two separate systems and  $L$  be the cascaded system:



Determine whether each of following statements is true or false:

- ▶ If  $L_1$  is LTI and  $L_2$  is not LTI, then  $L$  cannot be LTI
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## Solution 1

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**False**

Consider the system  $L_1 = 0$ .  $L = 0$

- ▶ If  $L_1$  is not LTI and  $L_2$  is not LTI, then  $L$  cannot be LTI

**False**

Consider the systems  $L_1\{x\} = x^3$  and  $L_2\{x\} = x^{1/3}$ .  $L = I$

## Question 2 (From old exam)

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## Solution 2 cont'd (From old exam)

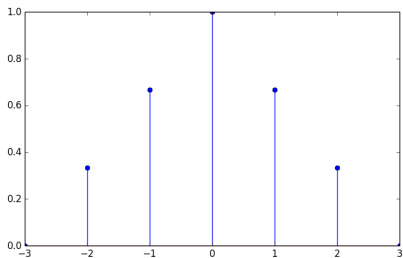
Not Time Invariant, counterexample:

- ▶ Consider  $x_1[n] = \delta[n]$ , then  $y_1[n] = \delta[n]$ .
- ▶ But for  $x_2[n] = \delta[n - 1]$ ,  $y_2[n] = \frac{\delta[n-1] + \delta[n+1]}{2} \neq y_1[n - 1]$ .
- ▶ Hence, H is not an TI

However, the system is linear

## Question 3

What is the Discrete-Time Fourier transform  $X(e^{j\omega})$  of the below signal  $x[n]$ :

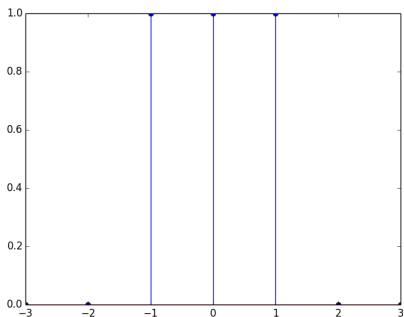


(Hint:  $x[n]$  is a convolution of two signals)



## Solution 3

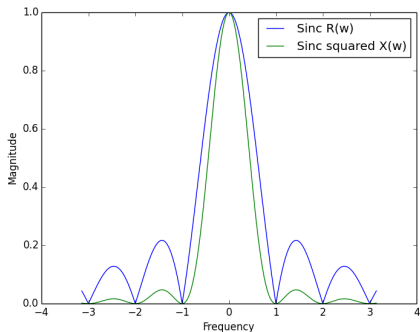
$x[n] = r[n] * r[n]$ , where  $r[n]$  is the periodic sinc



Hence using the convolution property,  
$$X(e^{j\omega}) = R(e^{j\omega})^2 = \left(\frac{\sin[\omega(3/2)]}{\sin(\omega/2)}\right)^2$$

## Solution 3

Normalized magnitude response for  $X(e^{j\omega})$  and  $R(e^{j\omega})$

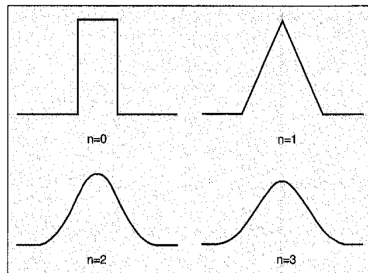


## Solution 3

These signals are known as splines. In the continuous domain, the generalizations are called B-splines, which converges to a Gaussian in the limit (Unser 1999). They are often useful in interpolation.

$$\beta^0(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & -\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}, & |x| = \frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\beta^n(x) = \underbrace{\beta^0 * \beta^0 * \dots * \beta^0}_{(n+1) \text{ times}}(x).$$



▲ 1. The centered B-splines of degree 0 to 3.

## Question 4 (From old exam)

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Because the output contains a pure tone  $e^{-j\pi n/4}$  that is not present in the input.

## Question 5a (From old exam)

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## Question 5b (From old exam)

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- ▶ The response of the system to an input of  $\delta[n - 1]$  is  $(0.5)^n u[n]$ 
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  - ▶ Stable?



## Solution 5b (From old exam)

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  - ▶ Causal? **X**
  - ▶ Shift-Invariant? **X**
  - ▶ Stable? **X**
- ▶ Consider the system with impulse response  $h[n] = (0.5)^{n+1} u[n + 1]$ 
  - ⇒ linear, not causal, shift-invariant and stable
- ▶ Consider the system that outputs  $(0.5)^n u[n]$  regardless of input
  - ⇒ not linear, causal, shift-invariant and stable
- ▶ Consider the system that outputs  $(0.5)^n u[n]$  when the input is  $\delta[n - 1]$  and  $\infty$  otherwise
  - ⇒ not linear, not causal, not shift-invariant and not stable

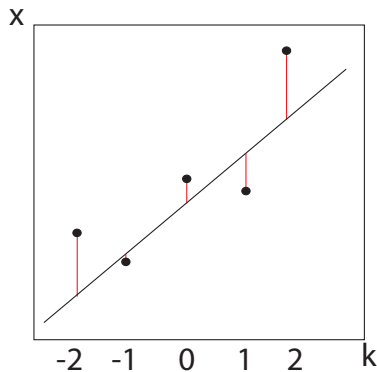
# Homework Problem 7

In problem 7, you are asked to do a local quadratic polynomial regression for each  $n$ . The problem can be formulated as a **least squares problem**, in which you want to fit your parameters to many data.

# Homework Problem 7

Example: Linear regression. We observe 5 data points  $x[k]$  from  $k = -2, -1, \dots, 1, 2$ .

We want to fit a line  $x = mk + b$  by minimizing the squared distance between the line and the data points



## Homework Problem 7

For  $k = 2$ , the squared distance is given by  $(b + 2m - x[2])^2$ .  
If you write the equations out and put them in a matrix form, you get:

$$\min_{b,m} \left\| K \begin{pmatrix} b \\ m \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} x[-2] \\ x[-1] \\ x[0] \\ x[1] \\ x[2] \end{pmatrix} \right\|_2^2$$

## Homework Problem 7

To solve for  $b$  and  $m$ , take the “derivative” with respect to  $b$  and  $m$  and set it to zero:

$$K^T \left( K \begin{pmatrix} b \\ m \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} x[-2] \\ x[-1] \\ x[0] \\ x[1] \\ x[2] \end{pmatrix} \right) = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} b \\ m \end{pmatrix} = (K^T K)^{-1} K^T \begin{pmatrix} x[-2] \\ x[-1] \\ x[0] \\ x[1] \\ x[2] \end{pmatrix}$$

# Homework Problem 7

This is how you find inverses in python:

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K = np.matrix( [ ... ] )  
K_inv = np.linalg.inv( K.transpose() * K ) * K.transpose()
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