

# SEL4223 Digital Signal Processing

## Discrete-Time Signal

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# Introduction

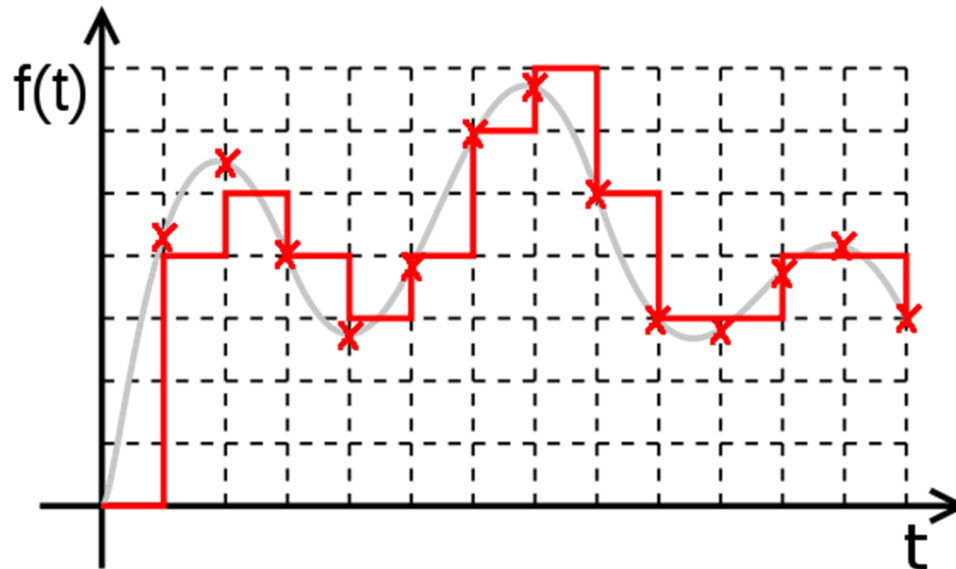
- Digital Signal Processing (DSP) has developed rapidly over the past 40 years due to significant advances in digital computer technology and integrated-circuit fabrication (MSI→LSI→VLSI).
- In telecommunication:
  - ADC - samples an analog signal and encodes the signal into pulse code modulation (PCM) format.
  - Filter noise and interference from signal, transcode, compress, and encrypt the signal prior to placing it on a carrier of an electrically based digital circuit for transmission.
  - Sending the signal to DAC for decoding back into real world analog form, perhaps with improved clarity, a shifted frequency, or demodulated for transmission.

# Introduction (cont.)

- **Signal** is defined as any physical quantity that varies with time, space or any other independent variable or variables.
- **A discrete-time signal** is a series consisting of a sequence of quantities. In other words, it is a series that is a function over a domain of discrete integers. Each value in the sequence is called a sample.
- As most of the signals encountered in science and engineering are analog in nature, a process on converting the analog signal to discrete signal is needed. This process is called **digitization**, which consists of **Sampling and Quantization** process.

# Digitization

- Referring to figure below,
  - converting continuous value to discrete value on **horizontal-axis** is called **sampling**
  - converting the continuous value to discrete value on **vertical-axis** is called **quantization**.



# Digitization (cont.)

- In the previous figure, the continuous signal is first sampled where values of  $f(t)$  at only selected  $t$  are kept. This is shown by the red cross. So far only values on the horizontal have been digitized.
- To digitize the vertical axis, values on the red cross are quantized where in this example these values are round toward nearest values of 3 bit integer. For example the first red cross value is quantized from 4.2 to 4 (or 100 in binary).

# Classification of Signal

- **Continuous-time and discrete time** – Continuous time signal take on values in the continuous interval while discrete time signal take samples only at certain values of time.
- **Periodic and aperiodic** – Periodic signal is consistently repeated at certain time period from  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$ .
- **Deterministic and random** – Deterministic signal can be represented with mathematical description while random signal is not where the signal evolves in time in an unpredictable manner.

# Sampling

- The sampling process can be viewed as

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$$t = nT_s$$

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$t$  – continuous time (s)

$n$  – discrete time (integer). Also called sample

$T_s$  – sampling time (s)

# Sampling Theorem

- To ensure the digitized discrete-time signal represents its original continuous-time signal sufficiently and correctly, the sampling process need to follow Nyquist theorem as below:

$$F_S \geq 2F_N$$

- Where:

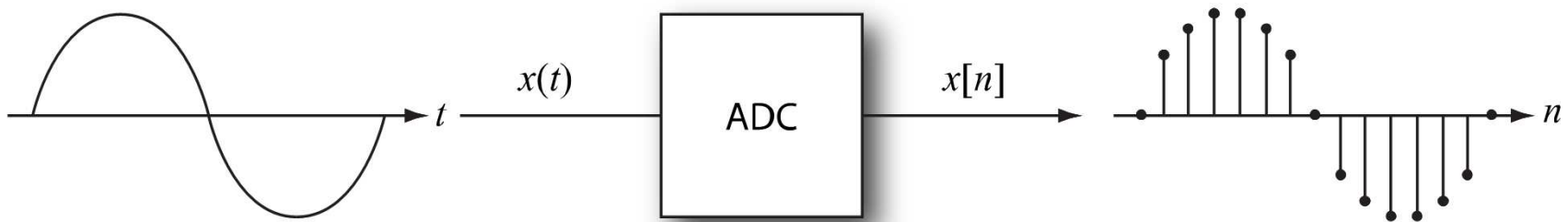
$F_S$  – *Frquency sampling*

$F_N$  – *Highest frequency component in the signal*



# Signal representation

- $x(t)$  – analog/continuous
- $x[n]$  – digital/discrete

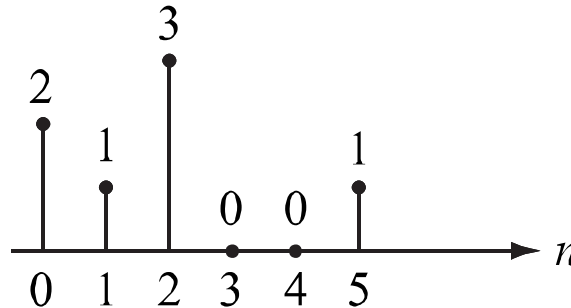


# Discrete Signal Representation

## Numerical method:

- $x[n] = [2, 1, 3, 0, 0, 1]$ , where the arrow shows the position at  $n = 0$ .  
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- If no arrow showed, the first sample holds the position at  $n = 0$

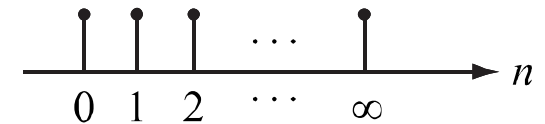
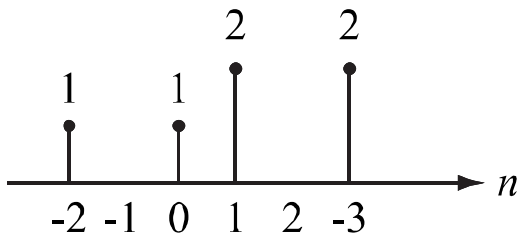
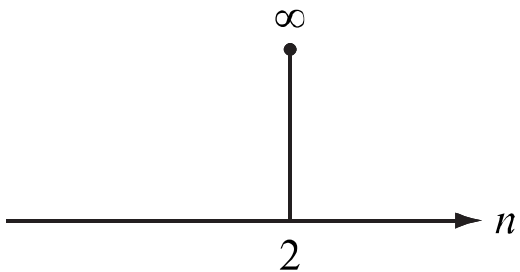
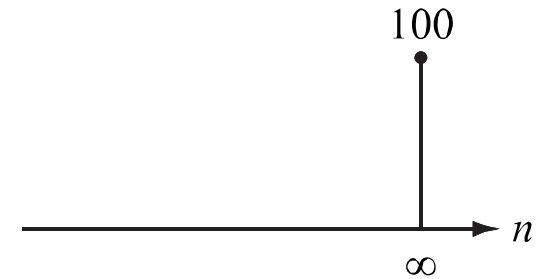
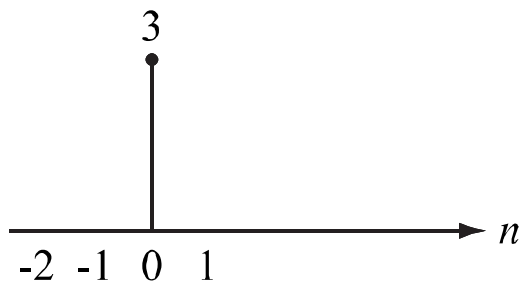
## Graphical method:



- Discrete signal length (also called size): Number of samples in the signal. Count from the lowest  $n$  to the highest  $n$  that has a nonzero value

# Quiz 1

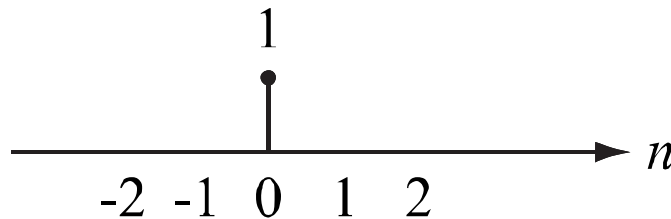
1. What is the length of these signals?



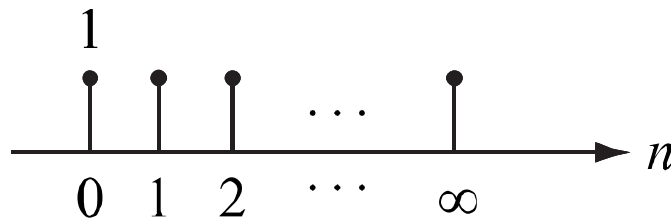
2. What is the size of a continuous signal?

# Types of Discrete Signal

- There are 2 basic types of discrete signals: impulse signal and step signal
- $\delta[n]$  - impulse signal

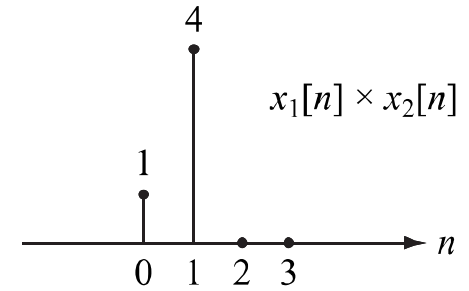
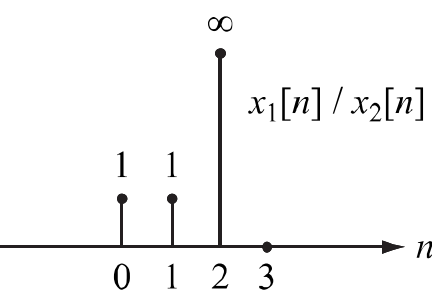
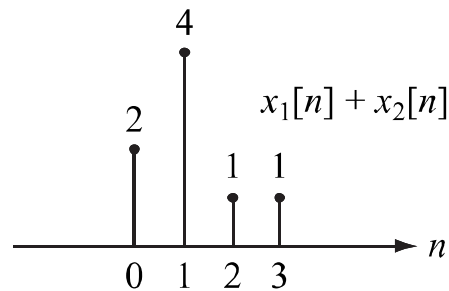
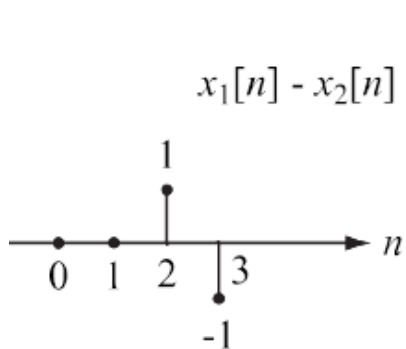
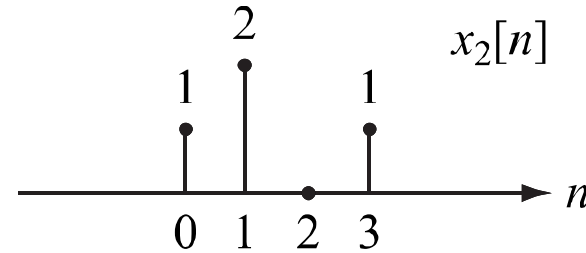
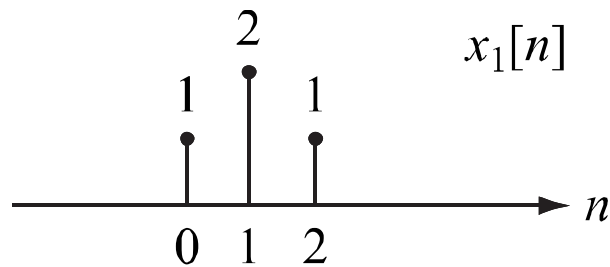


- $u[n]$  - step signal



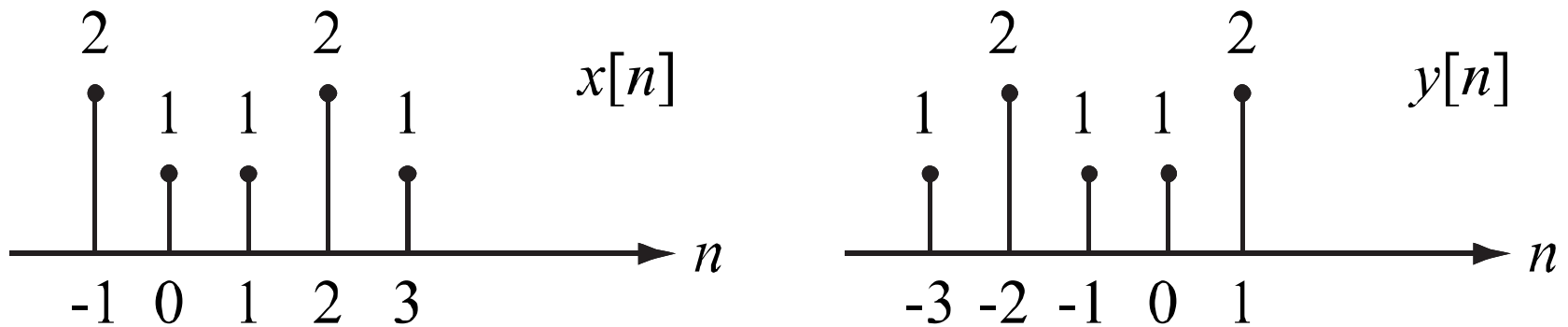
# Arithmetic Operations

- For addition, subtraction, multiplication, division operations, the operations are made on each of the sample of similar  $n$



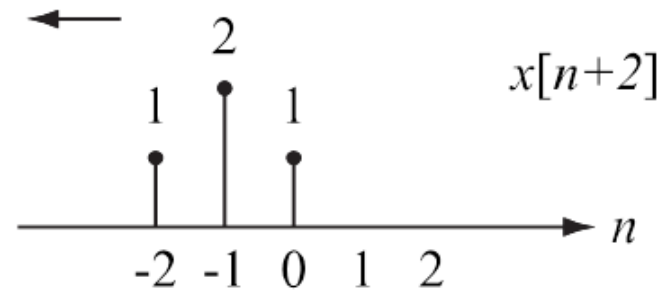
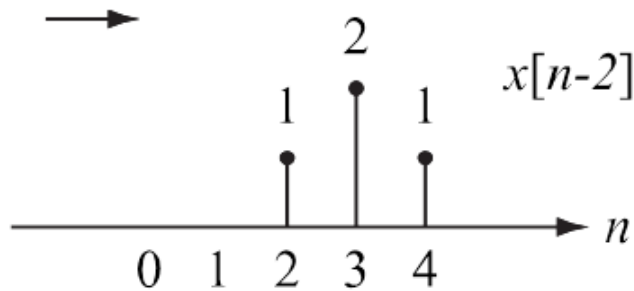
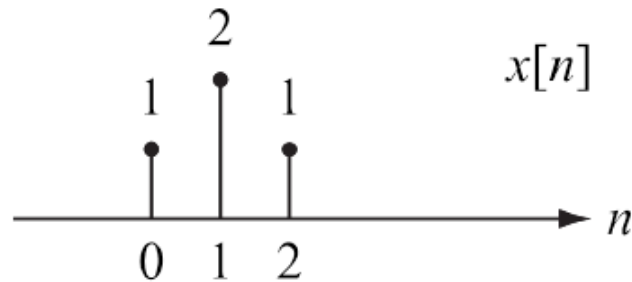
# Folding Operation

- Fold signal at  $n = 0$  where  $y[n] = x[-n]$

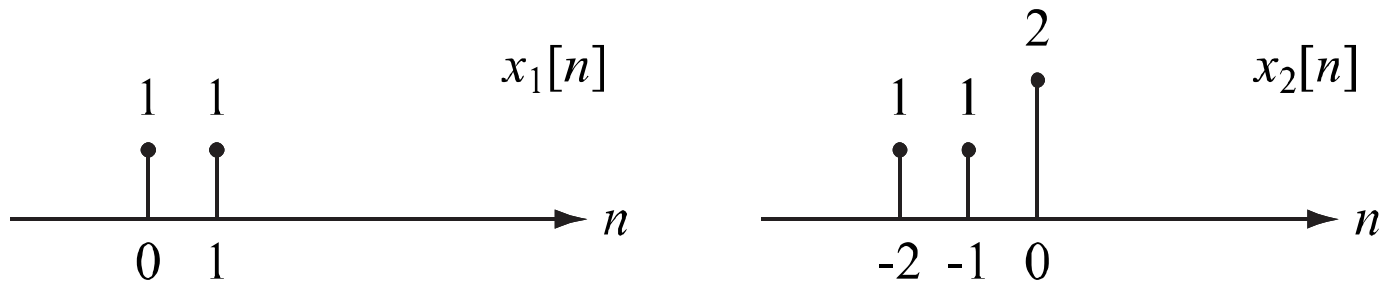


# Delay Operation

- Shift the signal to the right or left by  $n_d$  samples  $y[n] = x[n - n_d]$



# Quiz 2



Find:

1)  $y[n] = x_1[-n] + x_2[n]$

2)  $y[n] = x_1[n] + x_2[n - 3]$

3)  $y[n] = x_2[-n - 2]$

4)  $y[n] = x_1[n] + x_2[-2n]$

5)  $y[n] = x_2[n] - x_1[n]$

6)  $y[n] = u[-n] + x_1[n]$

7)  $y[n] = \delta[n - 3] + x_2[-n] + x_1[n + 2]$

8)  $y[n] = \delta[n] \times x_2[n]$

9)  $y[n] = u[n] \times x_2[n]$

10)  $y[n] = u[-n + 2] - x_1[n]$

11)  $y[n] = x_2[n] + x_2[n - 1]$



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