

# Fundamental Math for MRI

M219 - Principles and Applications of MRI

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# Course Overview

- Course website
  - <https://mrri.ucla.edu/pages/m219>
- Course schedule
  - [https://mrri.ucla.edu/pages/m219\\_2022](https://mrri.ucla.edu/pages/m219_2022)
- Assignments
  - Homework #1 due on 1/26 by 5pm
  - Homework #2 will be out on 1/26

# Course Overview

- Office Hours

- TA (Ran Yan) - Tuesday 4-5pm

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- Instructor (Kyung Sung) - Friday 2-3pm

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#8	1/26 Wed	Fundamental Math of MRI	Homework #1 due, Homework #2 out
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">2D Fourier transform</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Fourier transform and its applications</a></li></ul>
#9	1/31 Mon	Spatial Localization I	
#10	2/2 Wed	Spatial Localization II	
#11	2/7 Mon	MRI Signal Equation and Basic Image Reconstruction (by Dr. Holden Wu)	
#12	2/9 Wed	Fast Imaging and Advanced Image Reconstruction (by Dr. Holden Wu)	
#13	2/14 Mon	Basics of MR Spectroscopy (by Dr. Albert Thomas)	Homework #2 due, Homework #3 out

Last Time ...

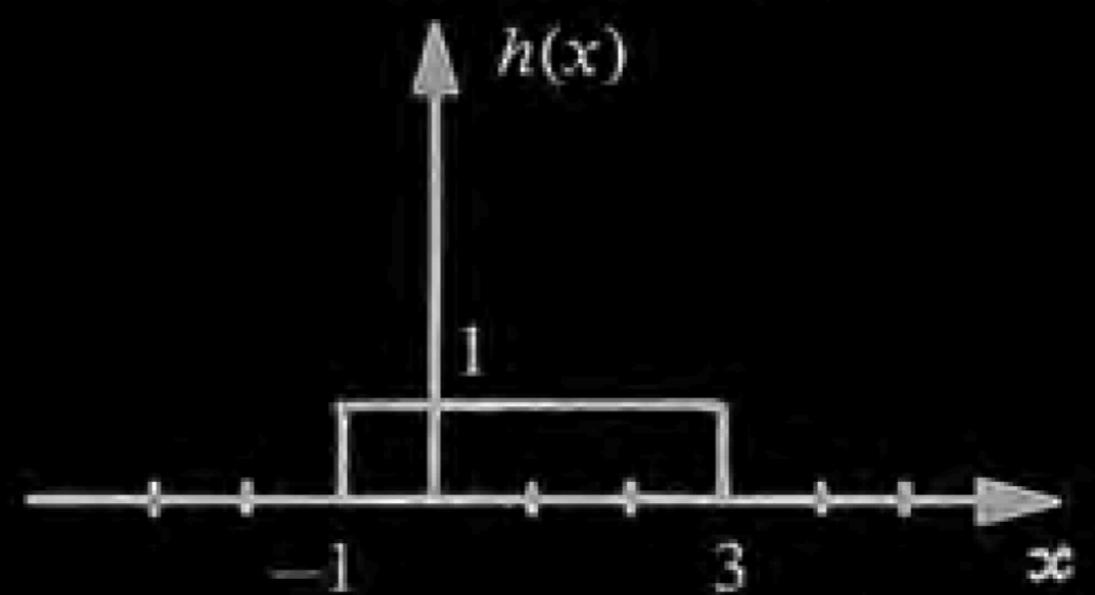
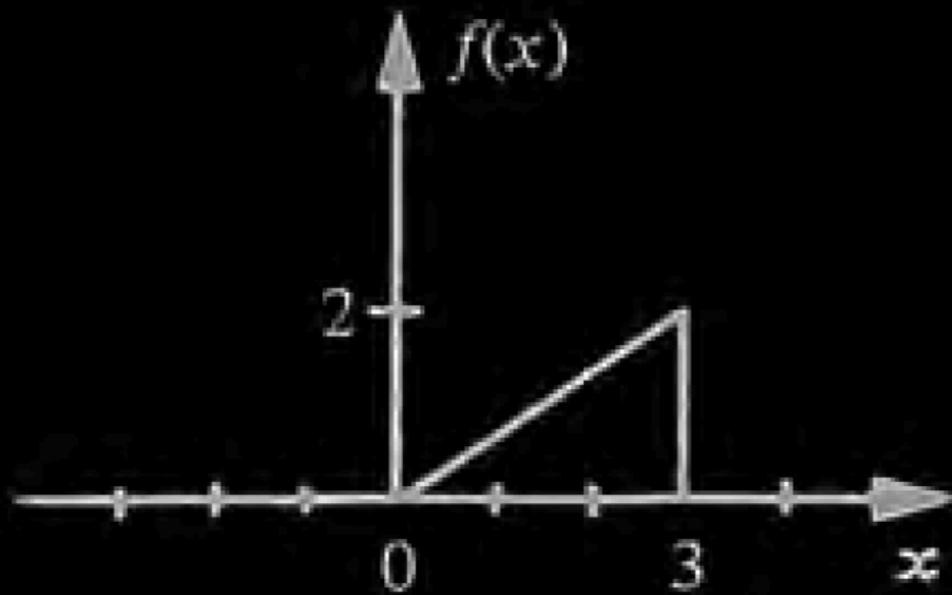
# Convolution

$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\tau)h(x - \tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x - \tau)h(\tau)d\tau$$

$$f(x) = g(x) * h(x)$$

$$f[n] = g[n] * h[n] = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} g[m]h[n - m]$$

# Convolution-Graphical Illustration

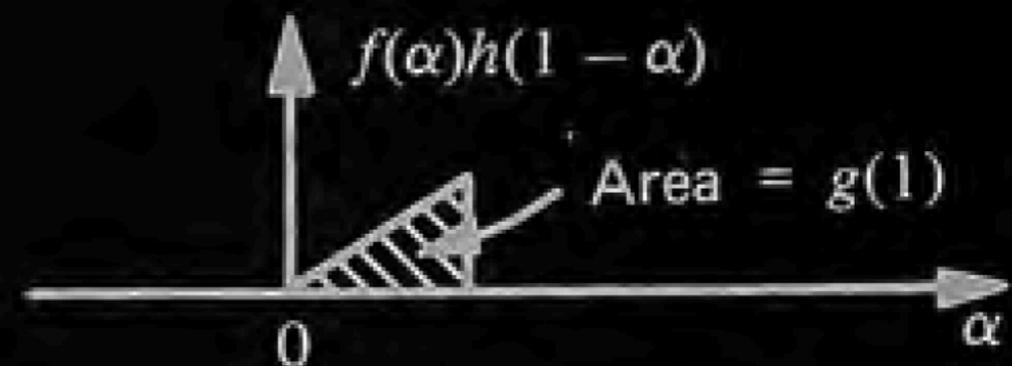
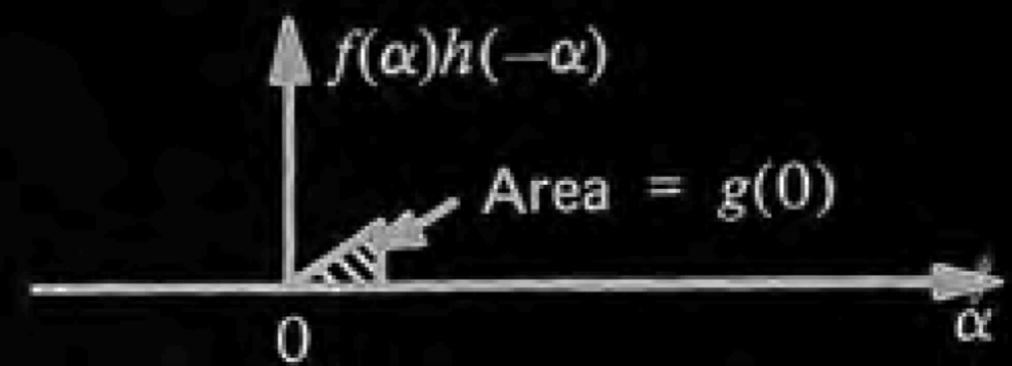
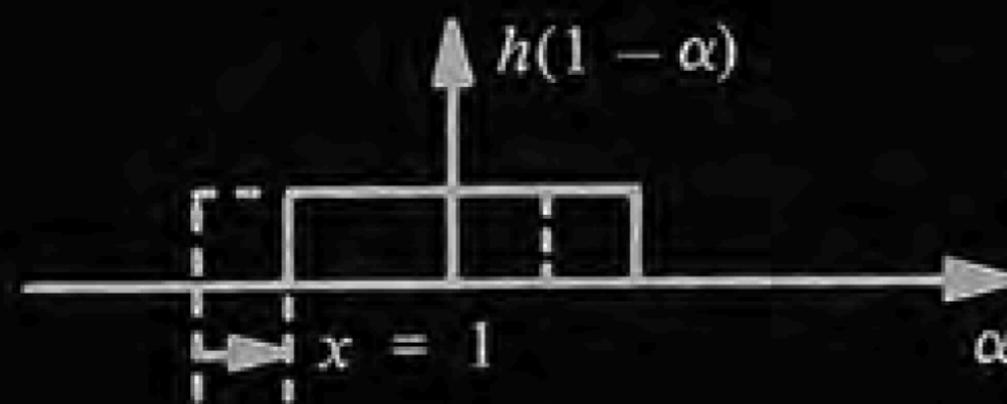
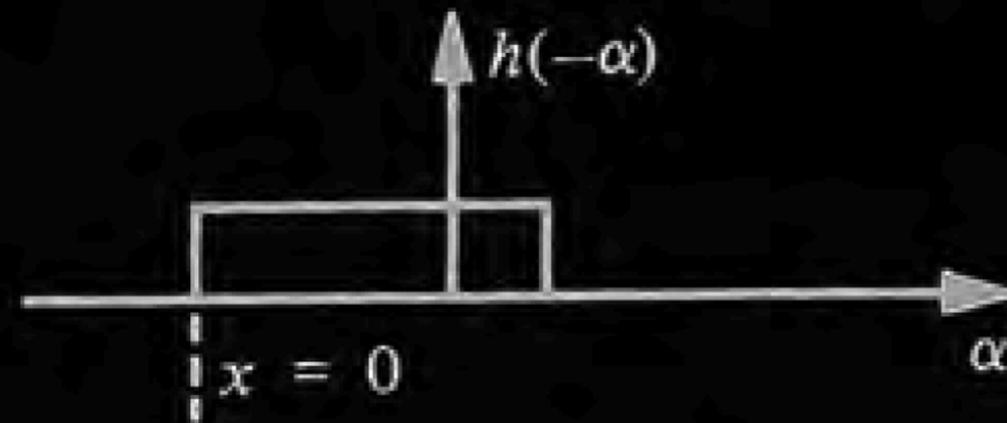
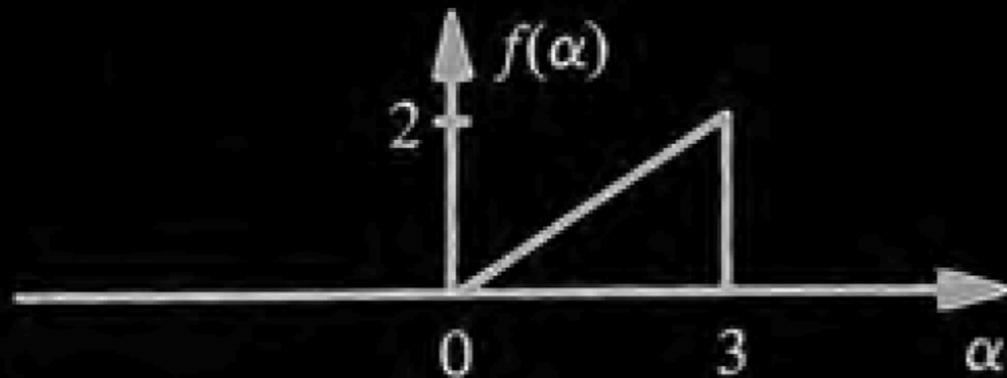


**How to do  $f(x)*h(x)$**

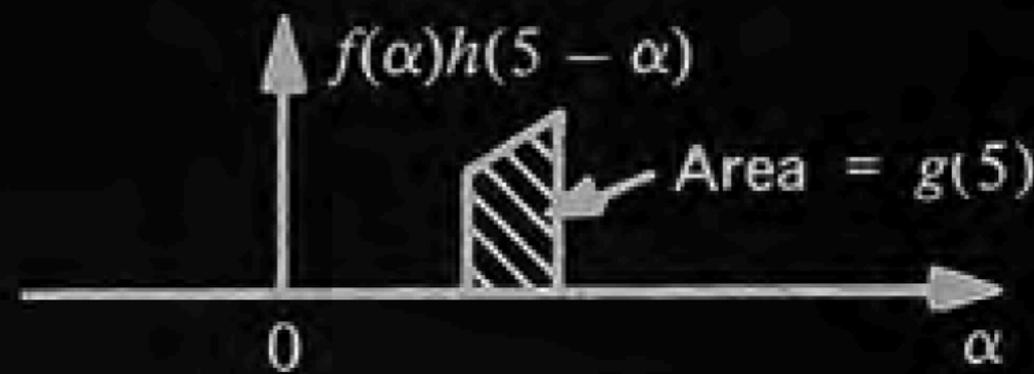
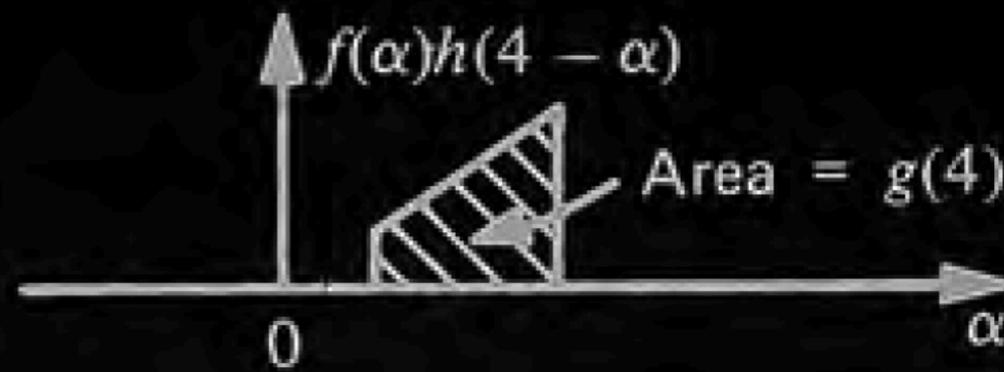
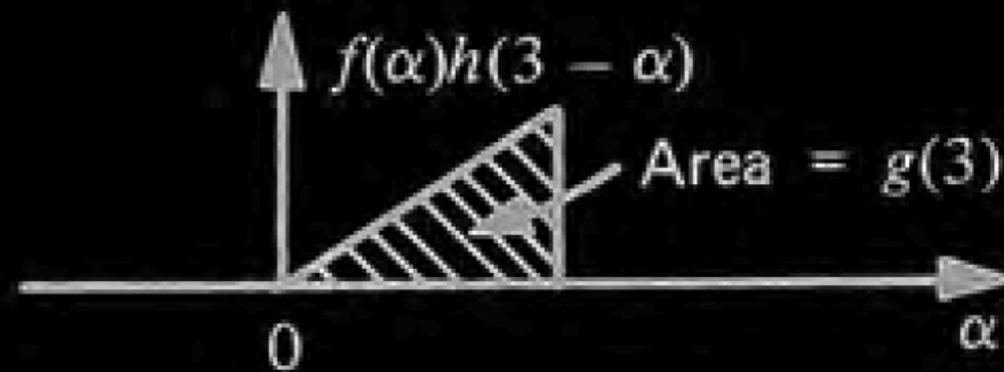
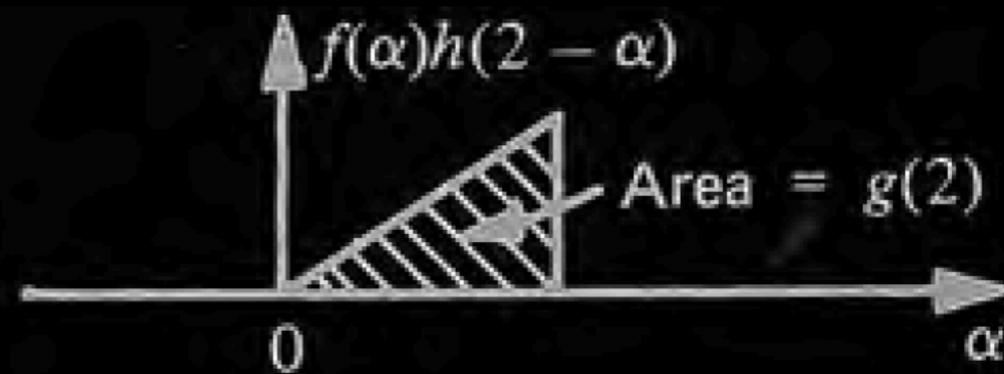
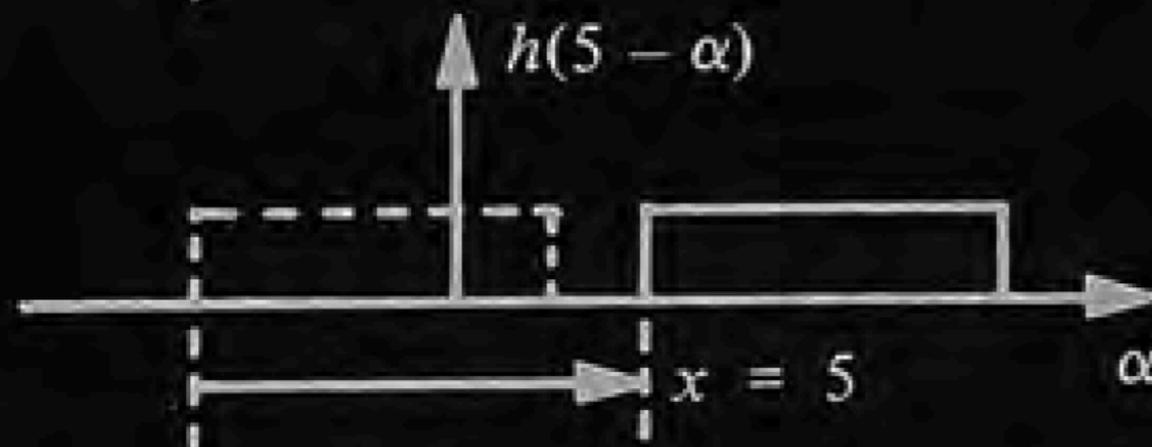
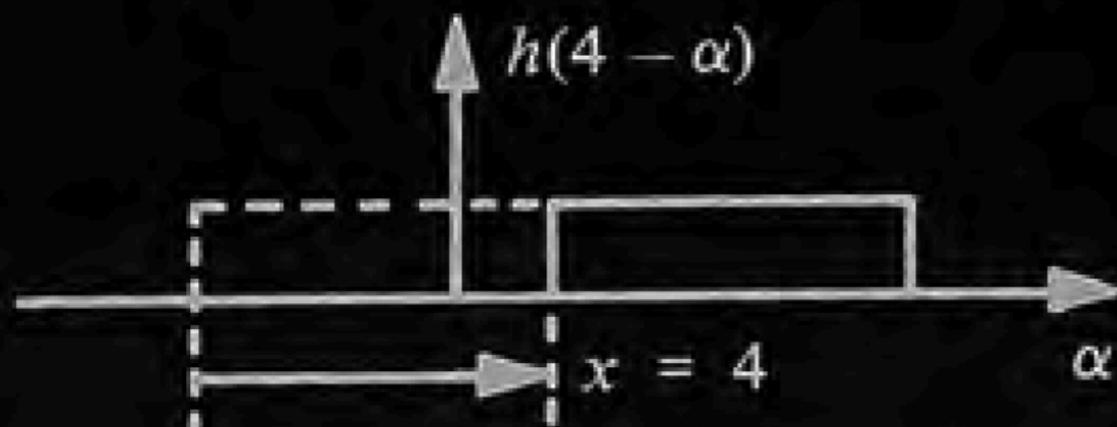
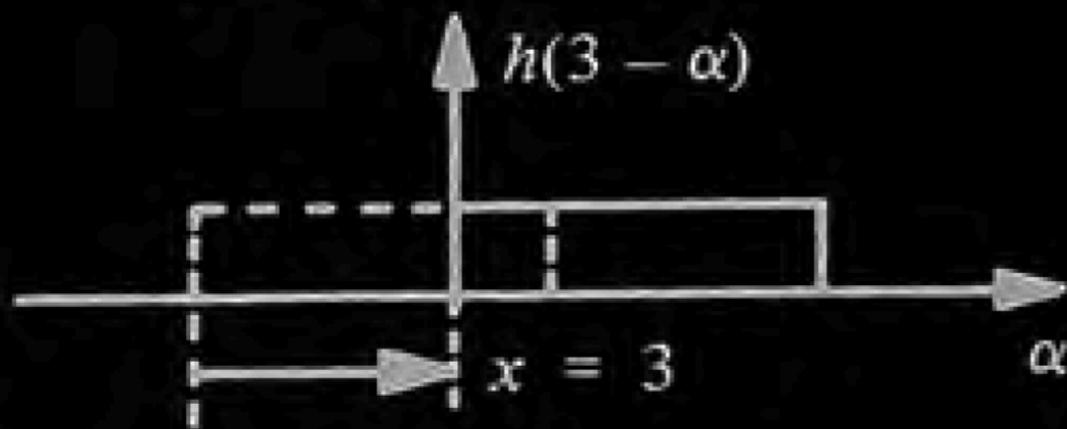
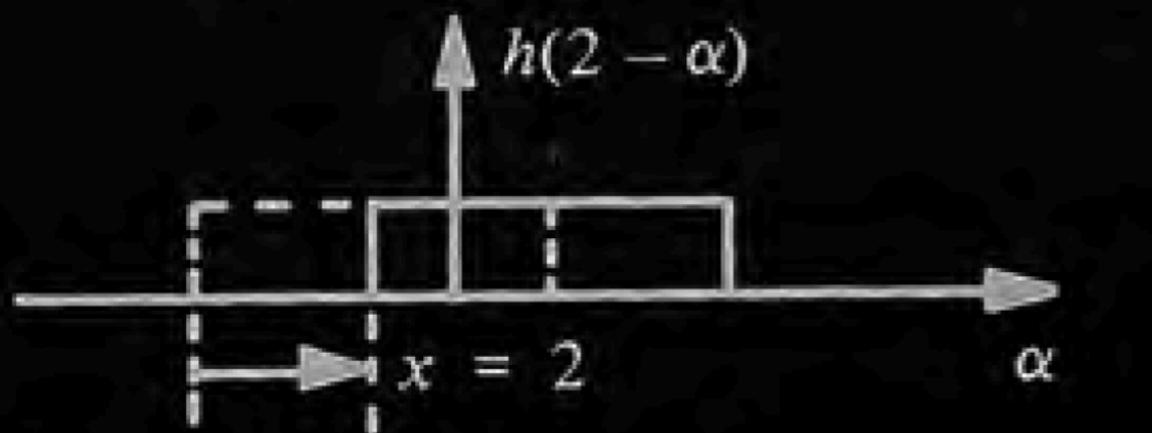
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# Convolution-Graphical Illustration

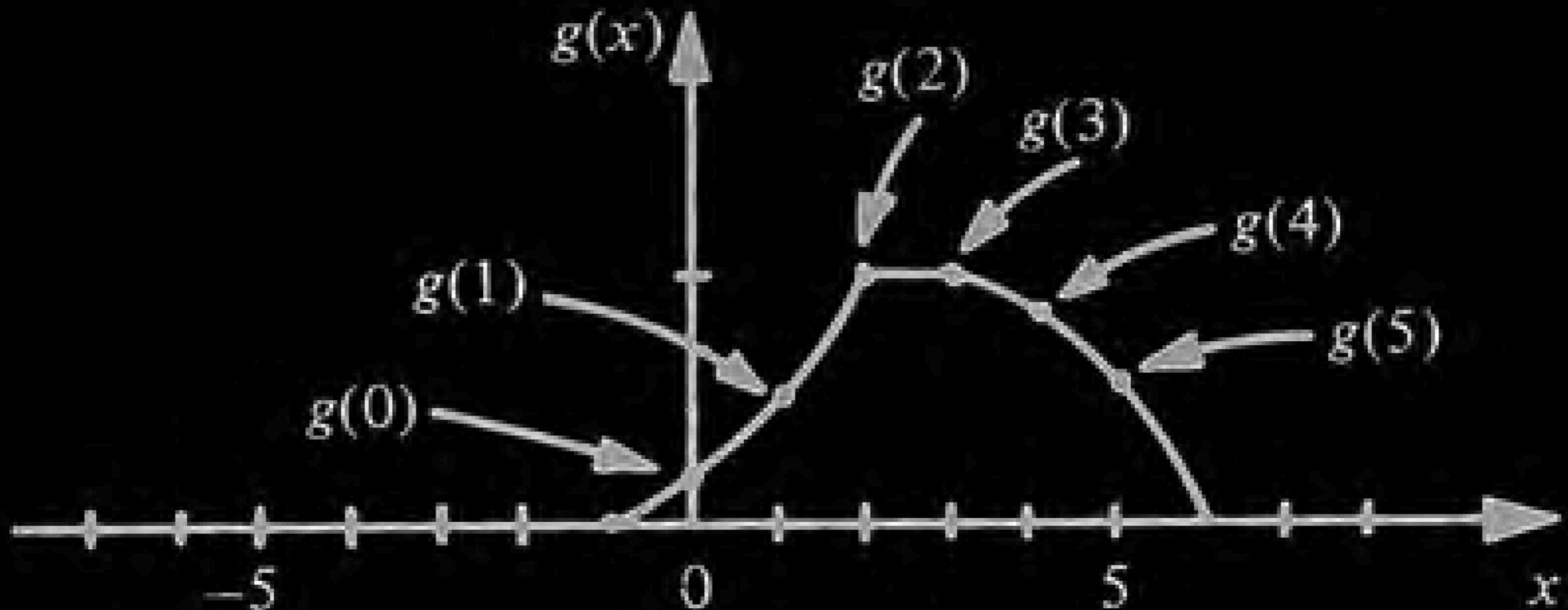
$$g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\alpha)h(x - \alpha)d\alpha$$



# Convolution-Graphical Illustration



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$$g(x) = f(x) * h(x)$$

# Properties of Convolution

*Commutativity:*

$$g * h = h * g$$

*Associativity:*

$$f * (g * h) = (f * g) * h$$

*Distributivity:*

$$f * (g + h) = f * g + f * h$$

*Shifting property:*

If  $g * h = f$ , then

$$g(x - x_0) * h(x) = g(x) * h(x - x_0) = f(x - x_0)$$

# Convolution with Delta Function

$$f(x) * \delta(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\alpha) \delta(x - \alpha) d\alpha$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\alpha) \delta(\alpha - x) d\alpha$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \delta(\alpha - x) d\alpha$$

$$= f(x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - \alpha) d\alpha$$

$$= f(x)$$

# Convolution with Comb Function

$$f(x) * \text{III}(x)$$

$$= f(x) * \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x-n)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau) \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x-\tau-n) d\tau$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau) \cdot \delta(x-\tau-n) d\tau$$

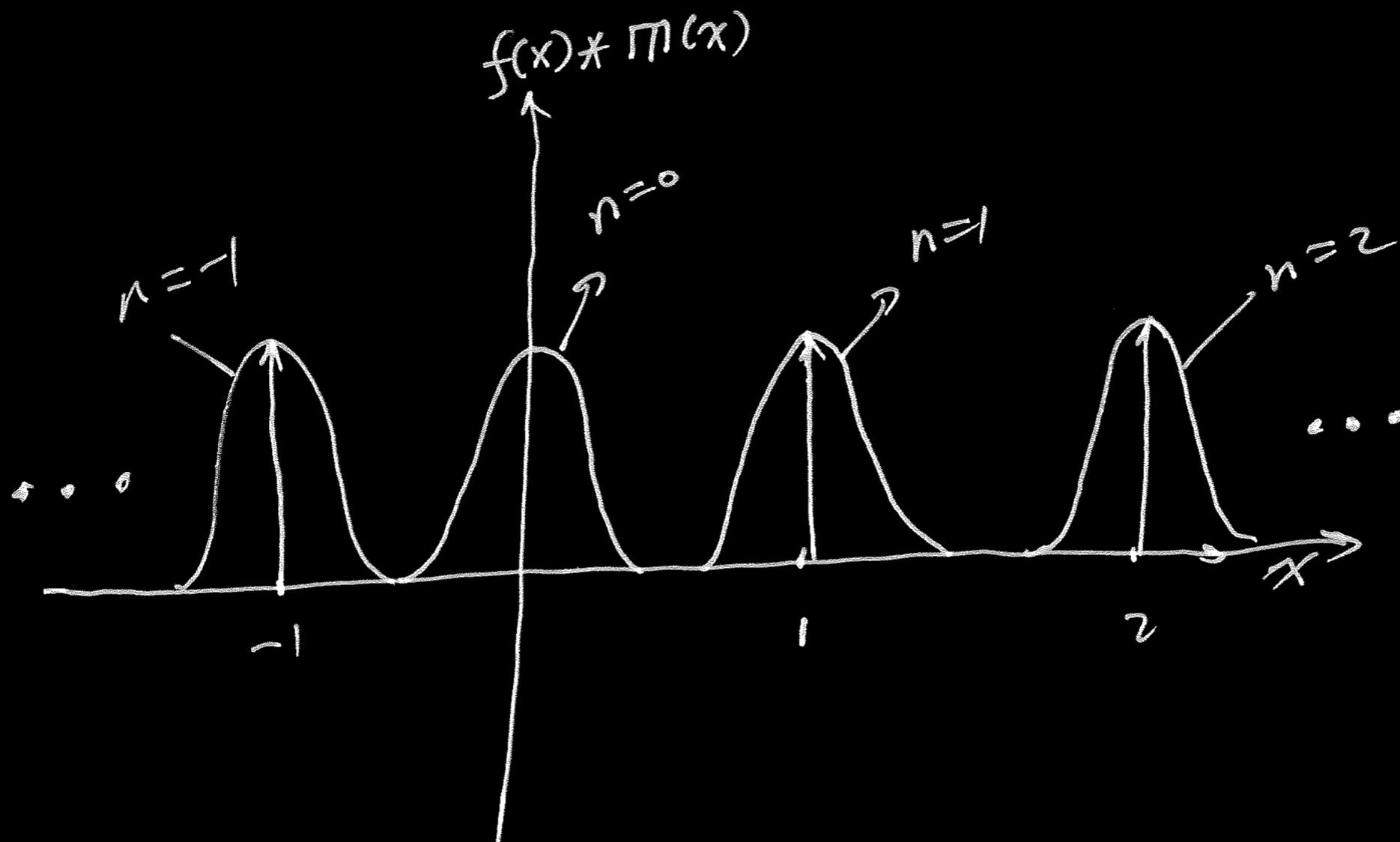
# Convolution with Comb Function

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau) \delta(\tau - x + n) d\tau$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x - n)$$

# Convolution with Comb Function

$$f(x) * \text{III}(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-n)$$



# Fourier Transform

$$S(k) = \mathcal{F}\{\rho(x)\} = \mathcal{F}\rho = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(x) e^{-i2\pi kx} dx$$

## Inverse Fourier transform

$$\rho(x) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{S(k)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(k) e^{i2\pi kx} dk$$

# Fourier Transform

# Properties of FT

*Uniqueness:*

$$\rho_1(x) = \rho_2(x) \longrightarrow S_1(k) = S_2(k)$$

*Linearity:*

$$a\rho_1(x) + b\rho_2(x) \longleftrightarrow aS_1(k) + bS_2(k)$$

*Shifting theorem:*

$$\rho(x - x_0) \longleftrightarrow S(k)e^{-i2\pi kx_0}$$

**Important!**

$$e^{i2\pi k_0 x} \rho(x) \longleftrightarrow S(k - k_0)$$

# Properties of FT

*Scaling property:*

$$\rho(ax) \longleftrightarrow \frac{1}{|a|} S\left(\frac{k}{a}\right)$$

*Conjugate symmetry:*

$$\rho^*(x) \longleftrightarrow S^*(-k)$$

*Convolution theorem:*

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_1(x) * \rho_2(x) &\longleftrightarrow S_1(k)S_2(k) \\ \rho_1(x)\rho_2(x) &\longleftrightarrow S_1(k) * S_2(k)\end{aligned}$$

# Fourier Transform of Rect Function

$$f(x) = \text{rect}(x)$$

$$F(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{rect}(x) \cdot e^{-i2\pi kx} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-i2\pi kx} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{-i2\pi k} e^{-i2\pi kx} \Big|_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{-i2\pi k} [e^{-i\pi k} - e^{i\pi k}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{-i2\pi k} \cdot -i \cdot 2 \cdot \sin \pi k$$

$$= \frac{\sin \pi k}{\pi k} = \text{sinc}(k)$$

$$\text{rect}(x) \xleftrightarrow{F} \text{sinc}(k)$$

# Fourier Transform of Delta Function

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x) \delta(x - x_0) dx = \varphi(x_0)$$

**Delta Function Property**

$$\mathcal{F}\{\delta(x)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\alpha) e^{-j2\pi\xi\alpha} d\alpha$$

$$= e^{-j2\pi\xi\alpha} \Big|_{\alpha=0}$$

$$= 1.$$

$$\delta(x - x_0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} e^{-j2\pi x_0 \xi}$$

**What is the FT of  $e^{-i2\pi k_0 x}$  ?**



# Fourier Transform of Delta Function

What is the FT of  $e^{-i2\pi k_0 x}$  ?

$$\int_{-b}^b e^{-i2\pi k_0 \cdot x} e^{-i2\pi k x} dx$$

$$= \int_{-b}^b e^{-i2\pi(k+k_0)x} dx$$

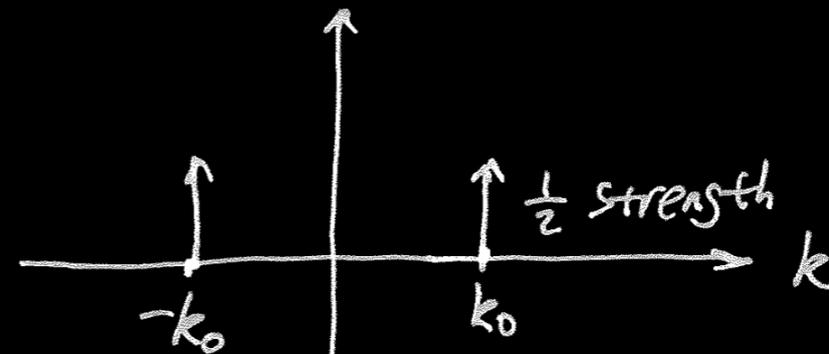
$$= \delta(k+k_0)$$



# FT of Sinusoidal Function

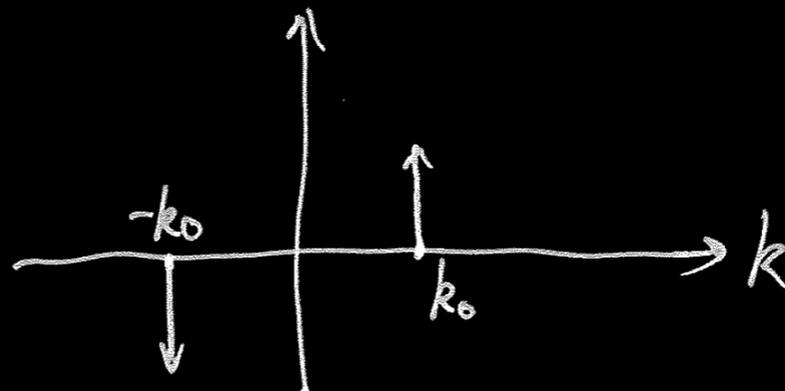
$$\cos(2\pi k_0 x) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ e^{-i2\pi k_0 x} + e^{i2\pi k_0 x} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{F}[\cos(2\pi k_0 x)] = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \delta(k - k_0) + \delta(k + k_0) \right]$$



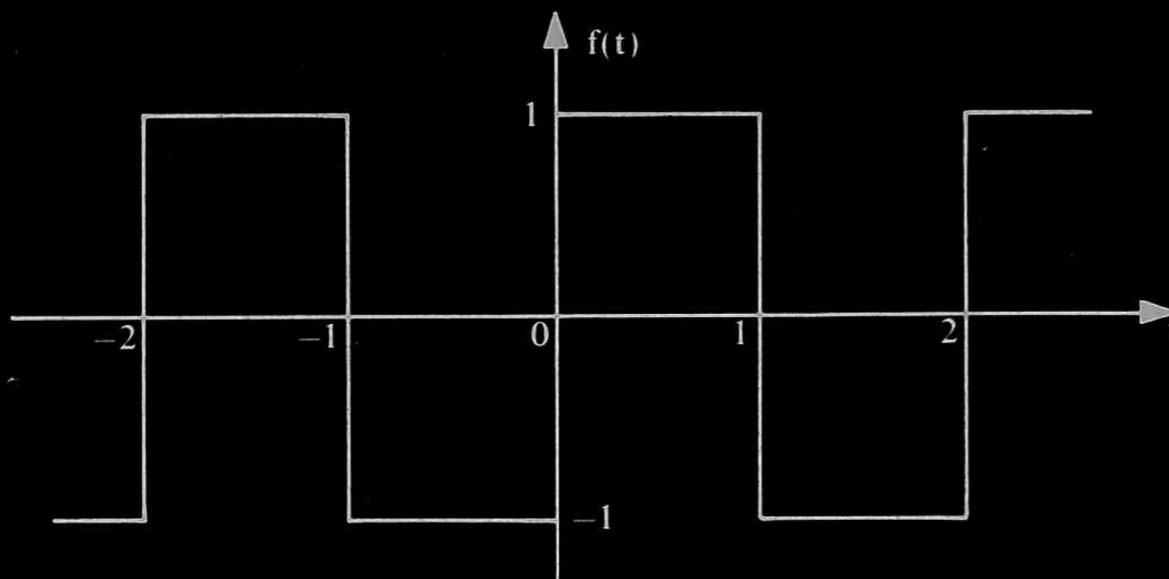
$$\mathcal{F}[\sin(2\pi k_0 x)] = \mathcal{F}\left\{ \frac{1}{2i} \left[ e^{i2\pi k_0 x} - e^{-i2\pi k_0 x} \right] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \delta(k - k_0) - \delta(k + k_0) \right]$$

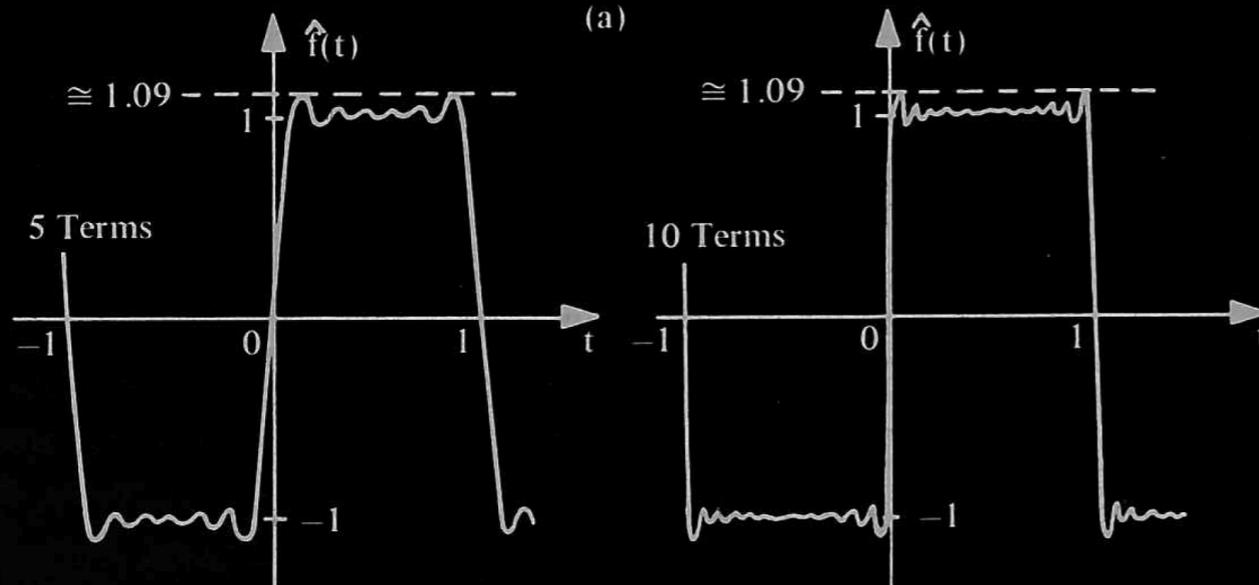


# FT of Comb Function

$$\text{comb}(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{j2\pi nx}$$



(a)



**Fourier Series of Periodic Functions**

**Example of periodic rectangular function**

# FT of Comb Function

$$\text{comb}(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{j2\pi nx}$$

$$c_n = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} f(\alpha) e^{-j2\pi n\alpha} d\alpha$$

$$= \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} \text{comb}(\alpha) e^{-j2\pi n\alpha} d\alpha$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\alpha) e^{-j2\pi n\alpha} d\alpha$$

$$= 1,$$

$$\text{comb}(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j2\pi nx}$$



# FT of Comb Function

$$\mathcal{F}\{\text{comb}(x)\} = \mathcal{F}\left\{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j2\pi nx}\right\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}\{\text{comb}(x)\} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}\{e^{j2\pi nx}\}$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\xi - n)$$

$$= \text{comb}(\xi).$$

# FT of Comb Function

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - n\Delta x) = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \text{comb}\left(\frac{x}{\Delta x}\right)$$

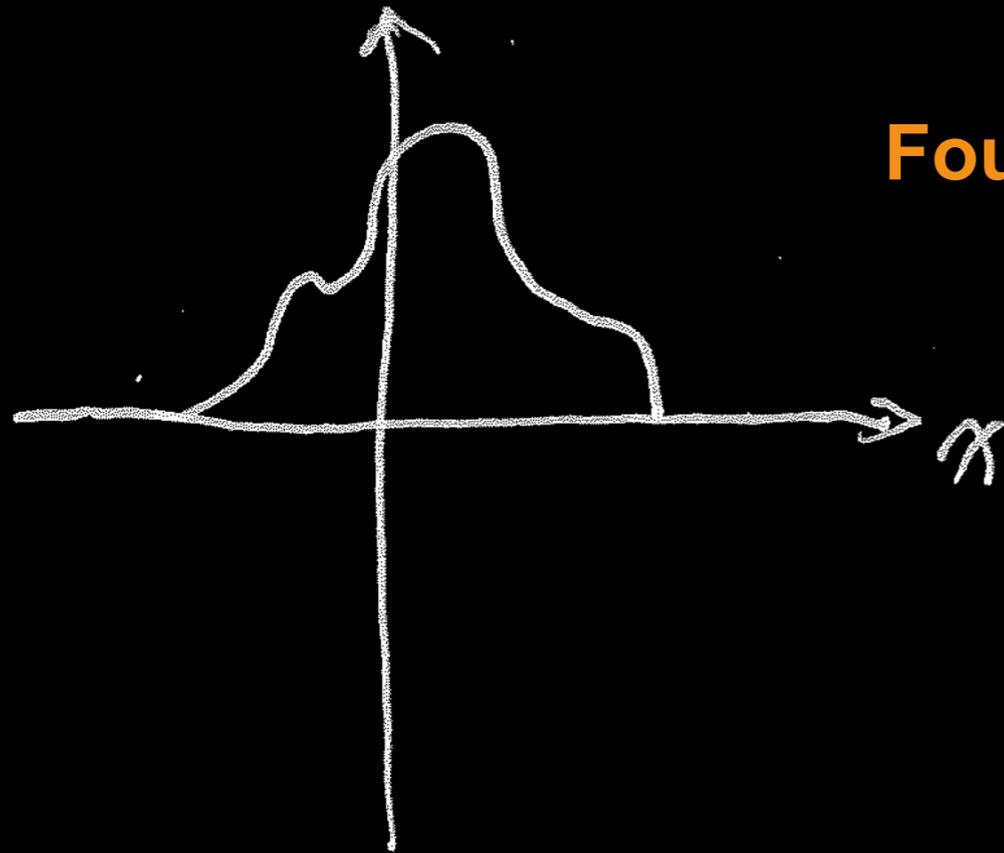
$$\mathcal{F}\left[\frac{1}{\Delta x} \text{comb}\left(\frac{x}{\Delta x}\right)\right] = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \cdot \Delta x \cdot \text{comb}(\Delta x \cdot k)$$

$$\Delta k \triangleq \frac{1}{\Delta x} = \Delta k \cdot \frac{1}{\Delta k} \text{comb}\left(\frac{k}{\Delta k}\right)$$

$$= \Delta k \cdot \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(k - n\Delta k)$$

# Sampling Theory

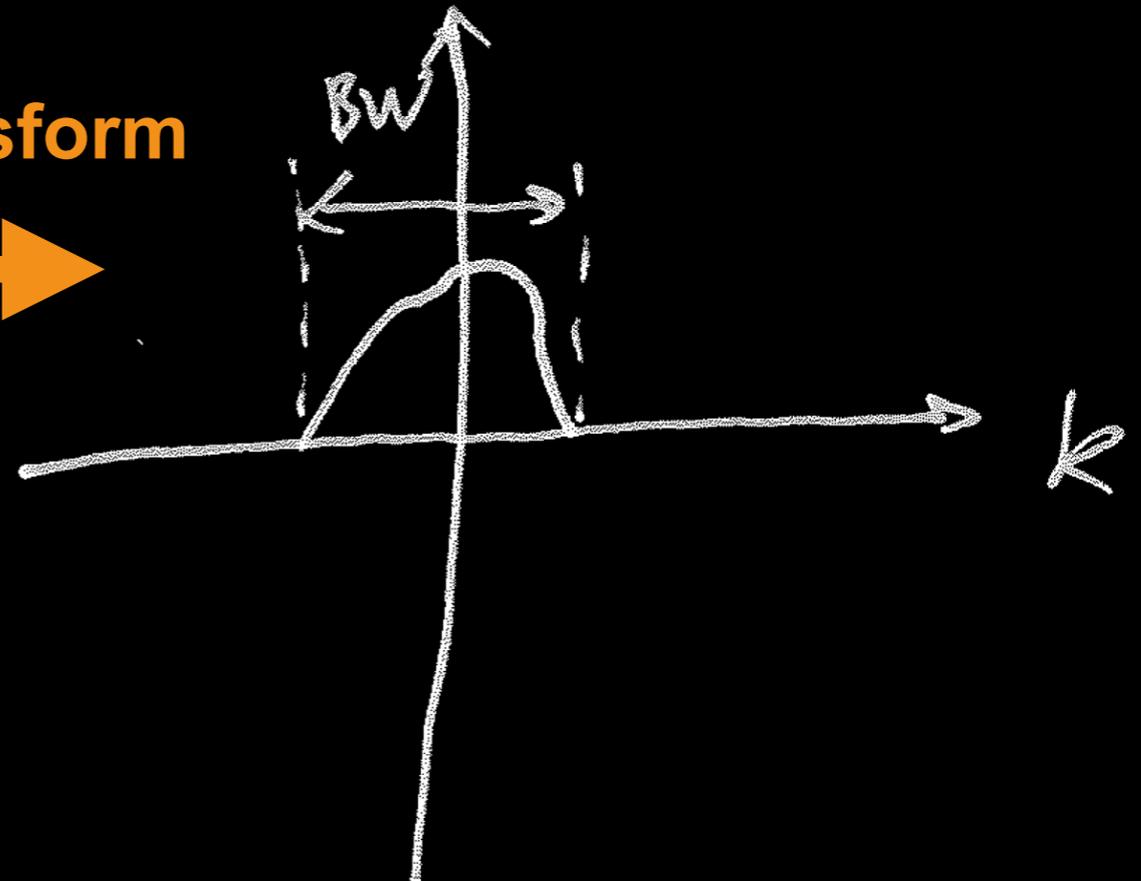
$f(x)$



Fourier Transform



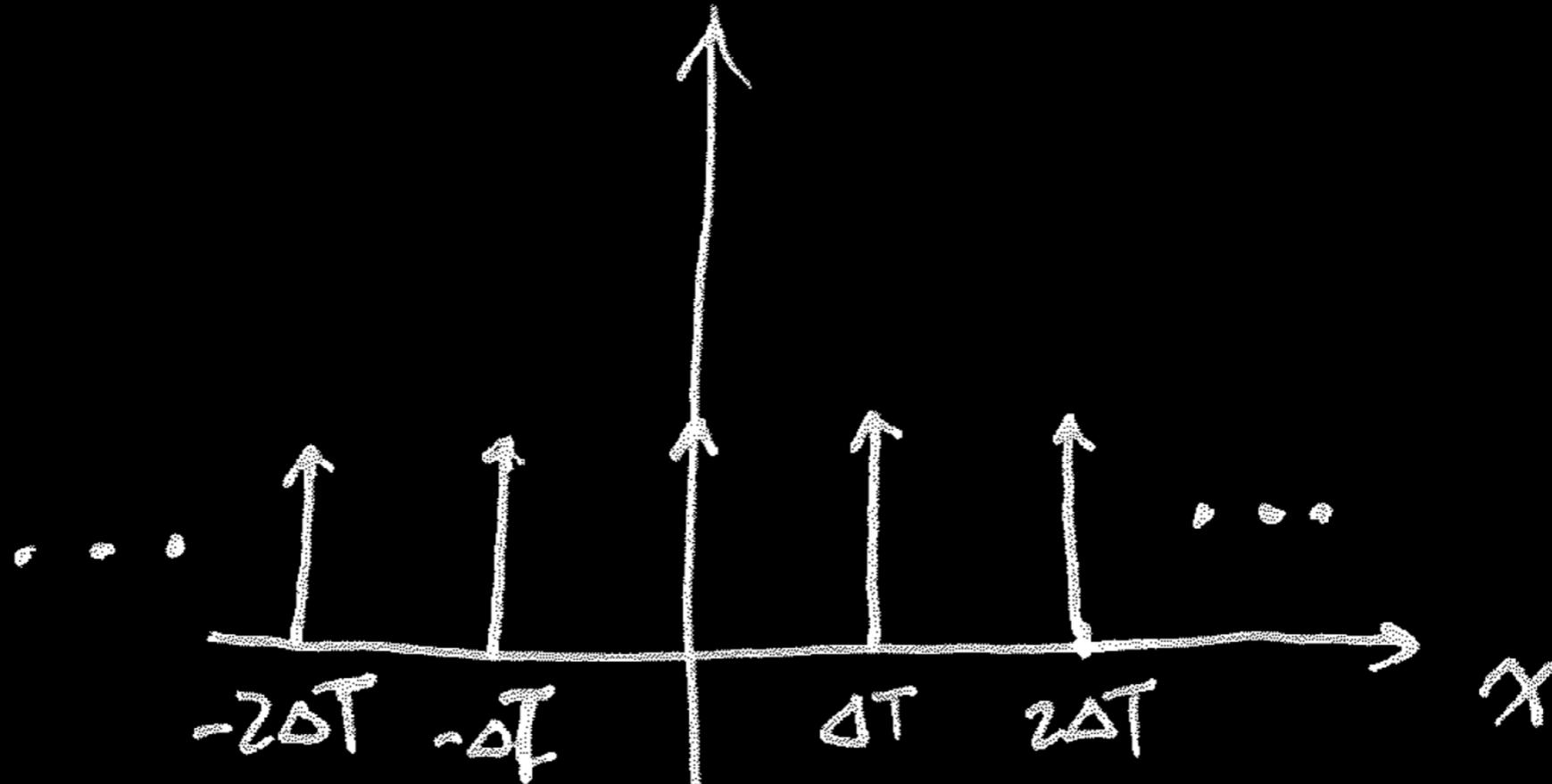
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Limited Bandwidth (BW)

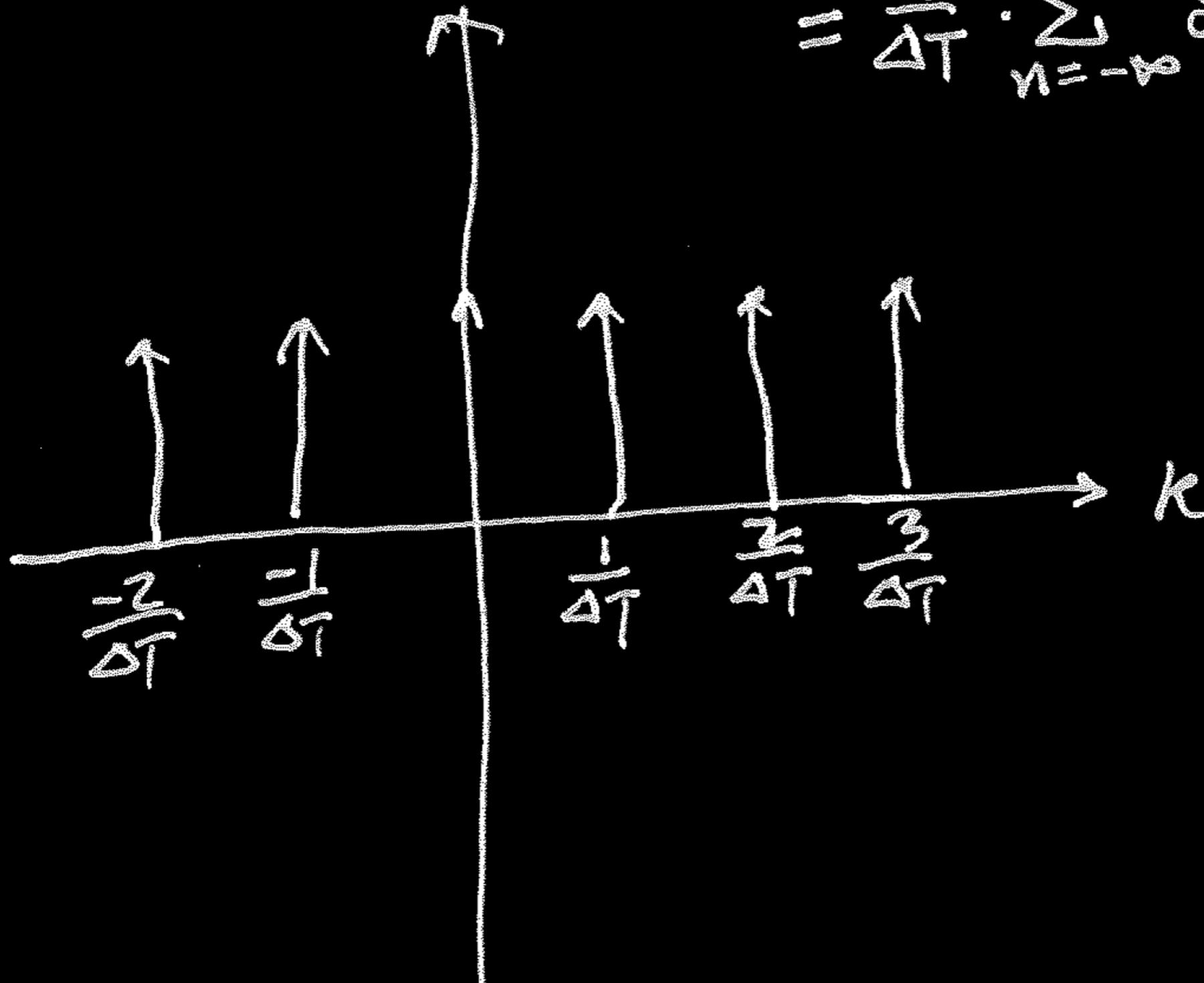
# Sampling Function

$$S(x) = \frac{1}{\Delta T} \Pi\left(\frac{x}{\Delta T}\right)$$

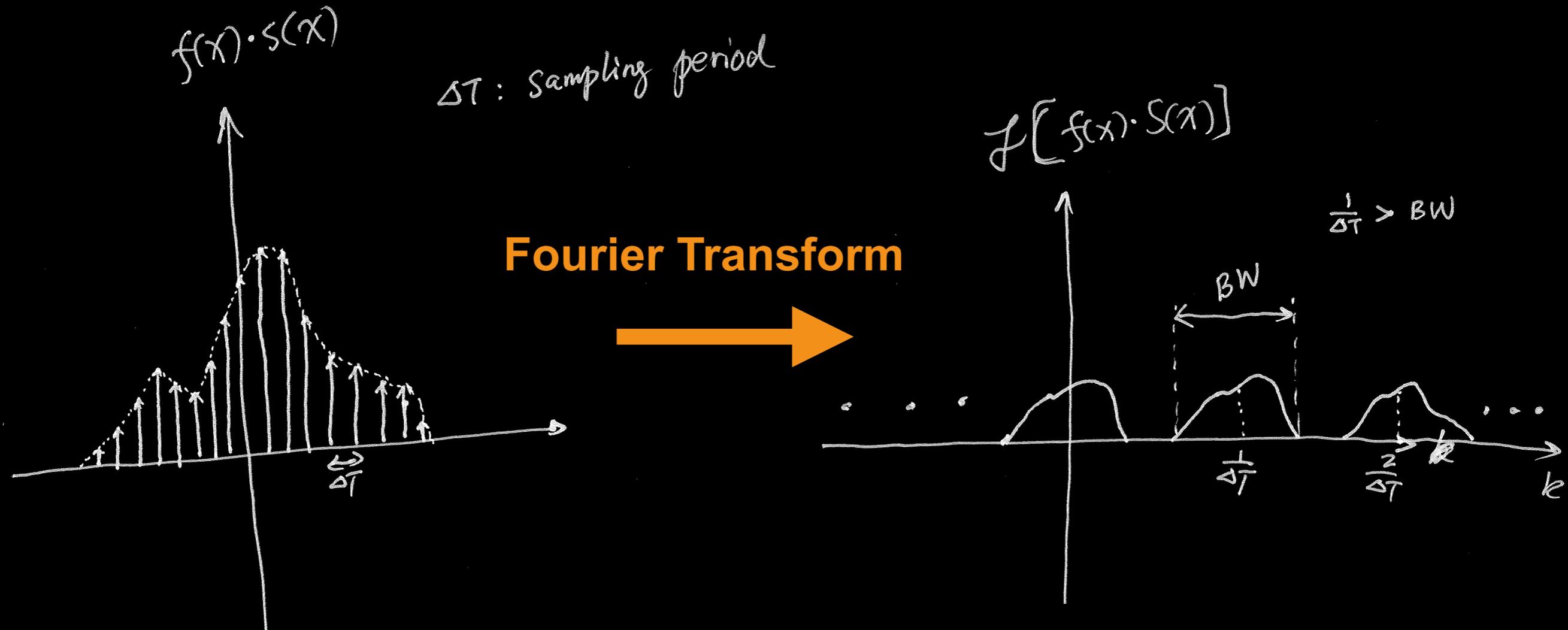


# Sampling Function

$$\begin{aligned} f[S(x)] &= \pi(k \cdot \Delta T) \\ &= \frac{1}{\Delta T} \cdot \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(k - \frac{n}{\Delta T}) \end{aligned}$$



# Sampling Function

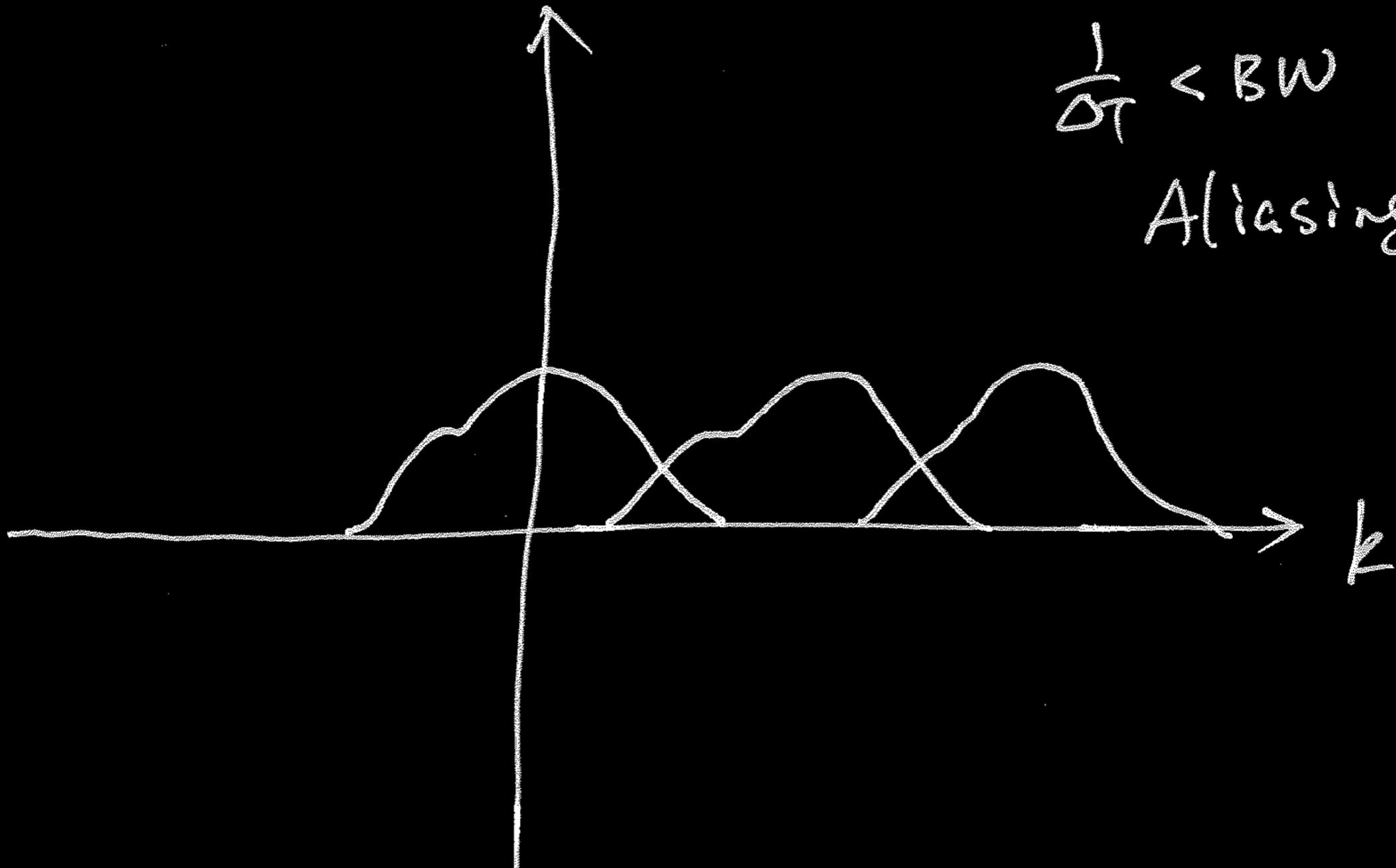


# Aliasing

$$\mathcal{F}[f(x) \cdot s(x)]$$

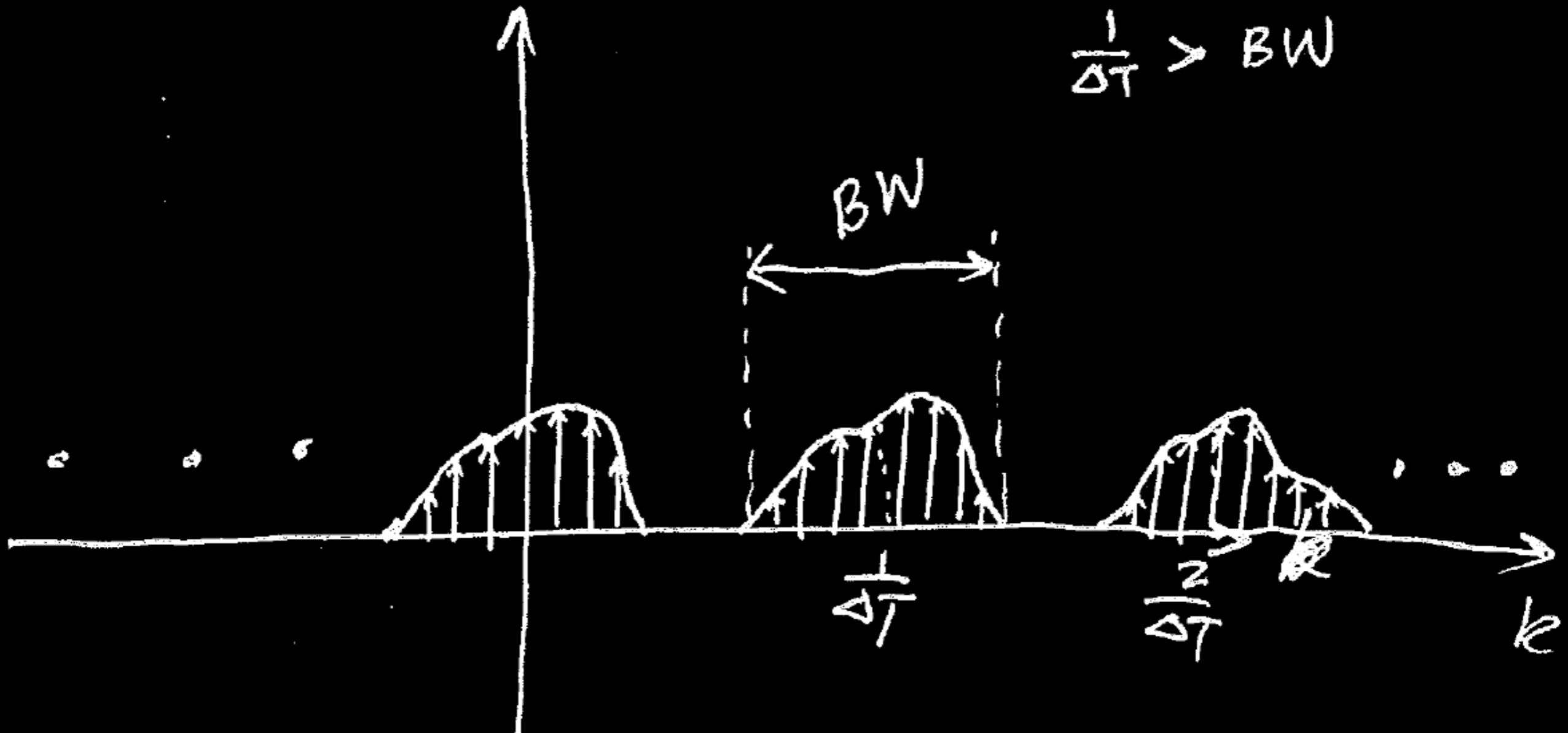
$$\frac{1}{\Delta T} < BW$$

Aliasing!



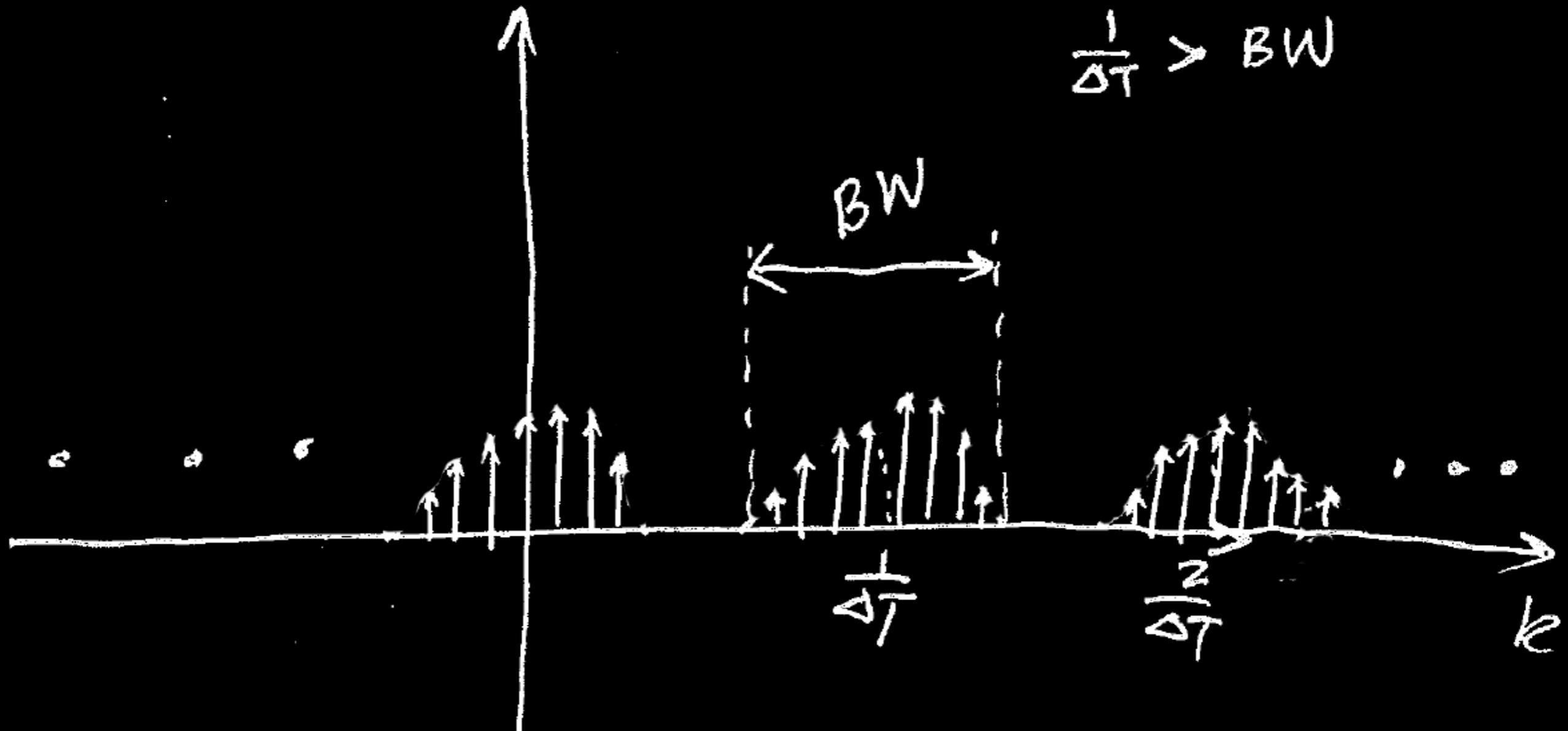
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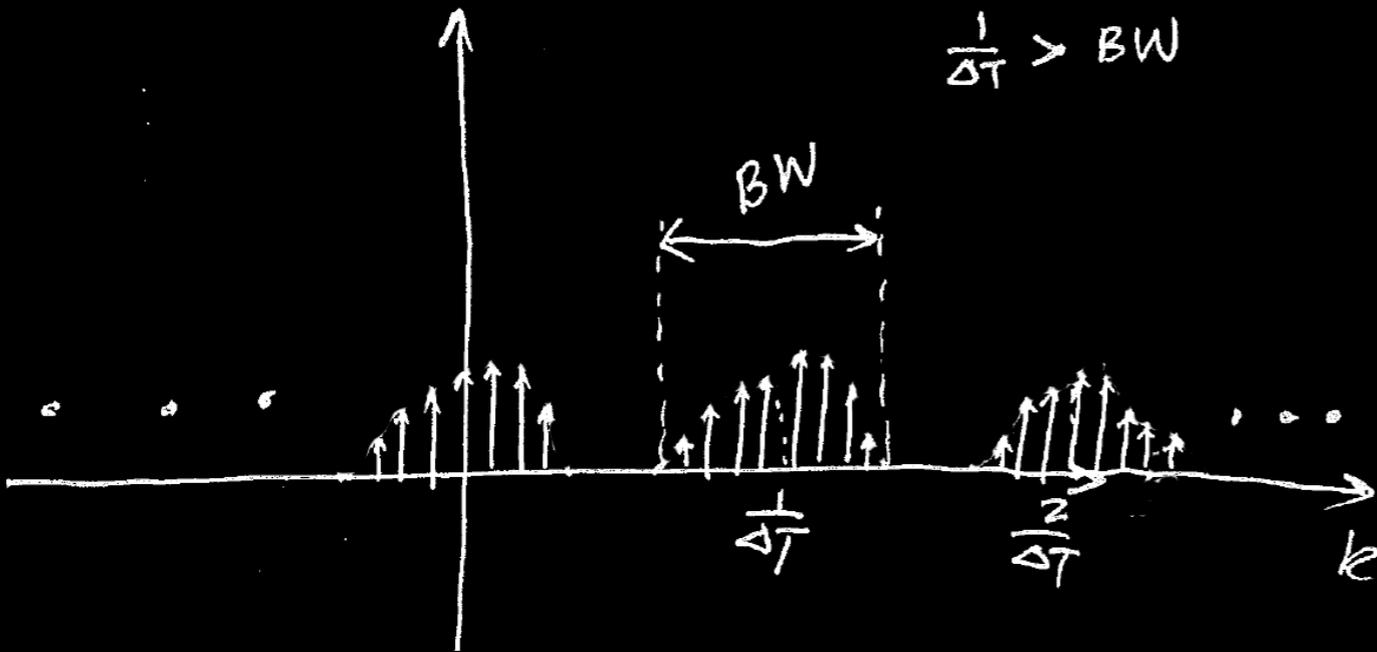
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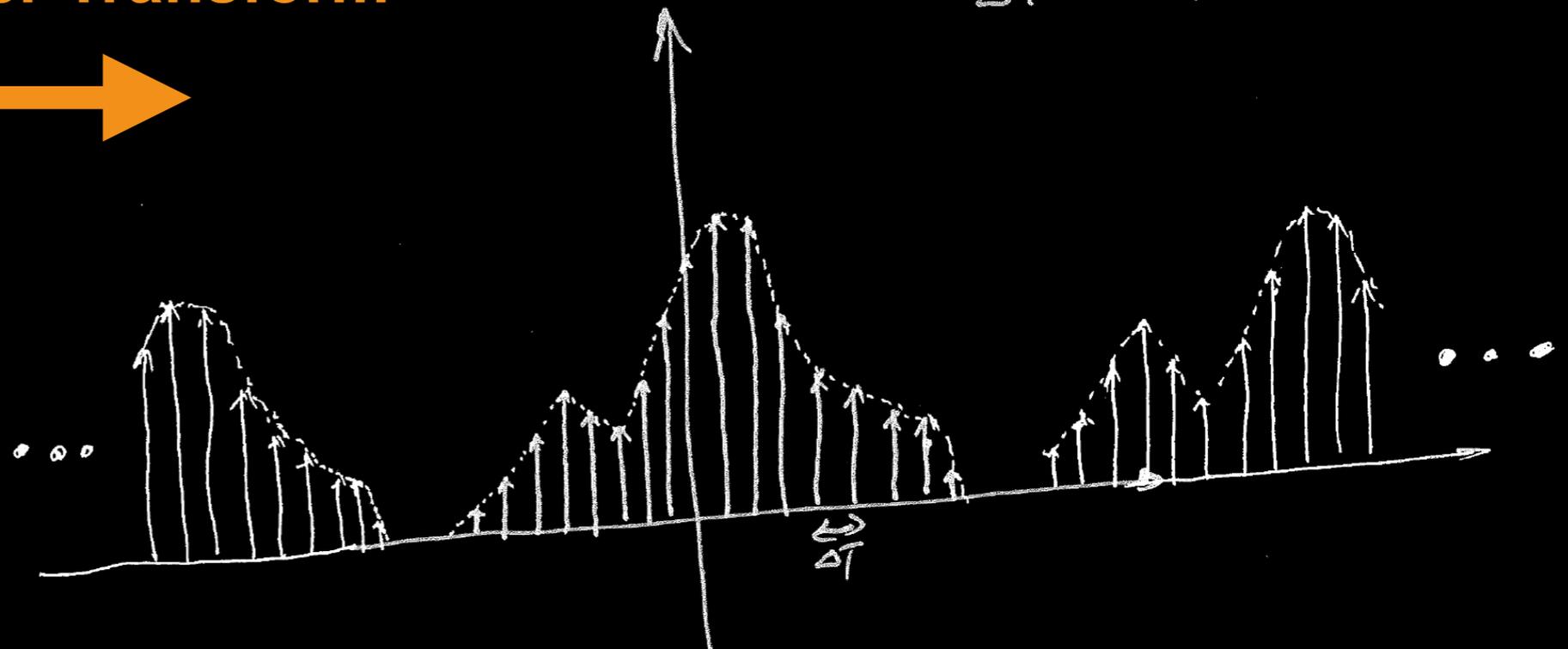


**Inverse Fourier Transform**



$$f(x) \cdot s(x)$$

$\Delta T$ : sampling period



# Summary of FT Properties

Fundamental Math Summary.pdf

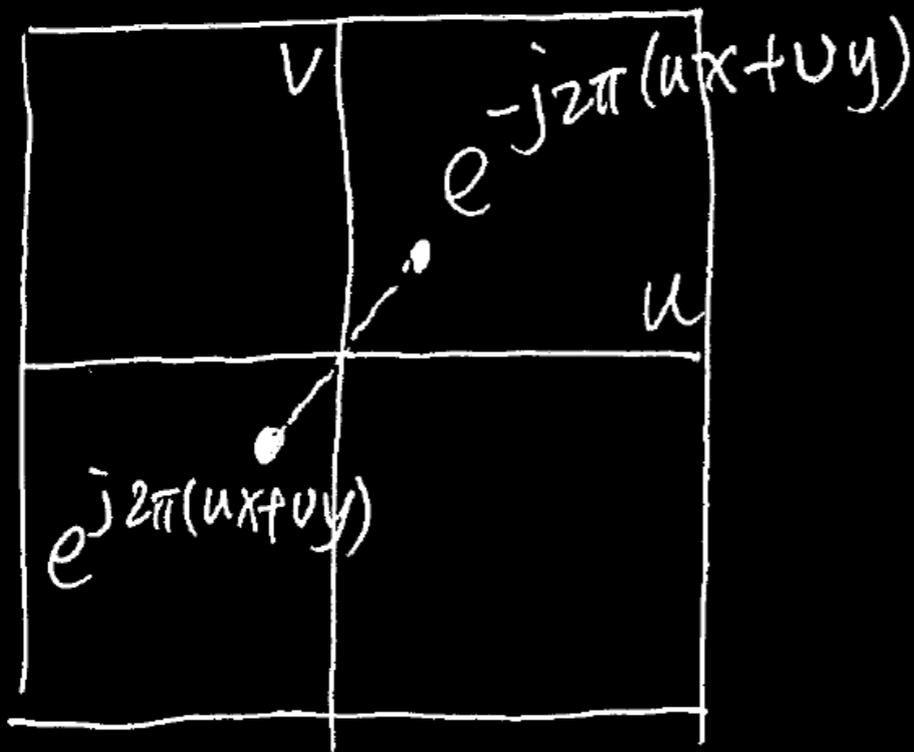
# FFT & FFTW MATLAB DEMO

# 2D FT

$$F(u, v) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) e^{-j2\pi(ux+vy)} dx dy$$
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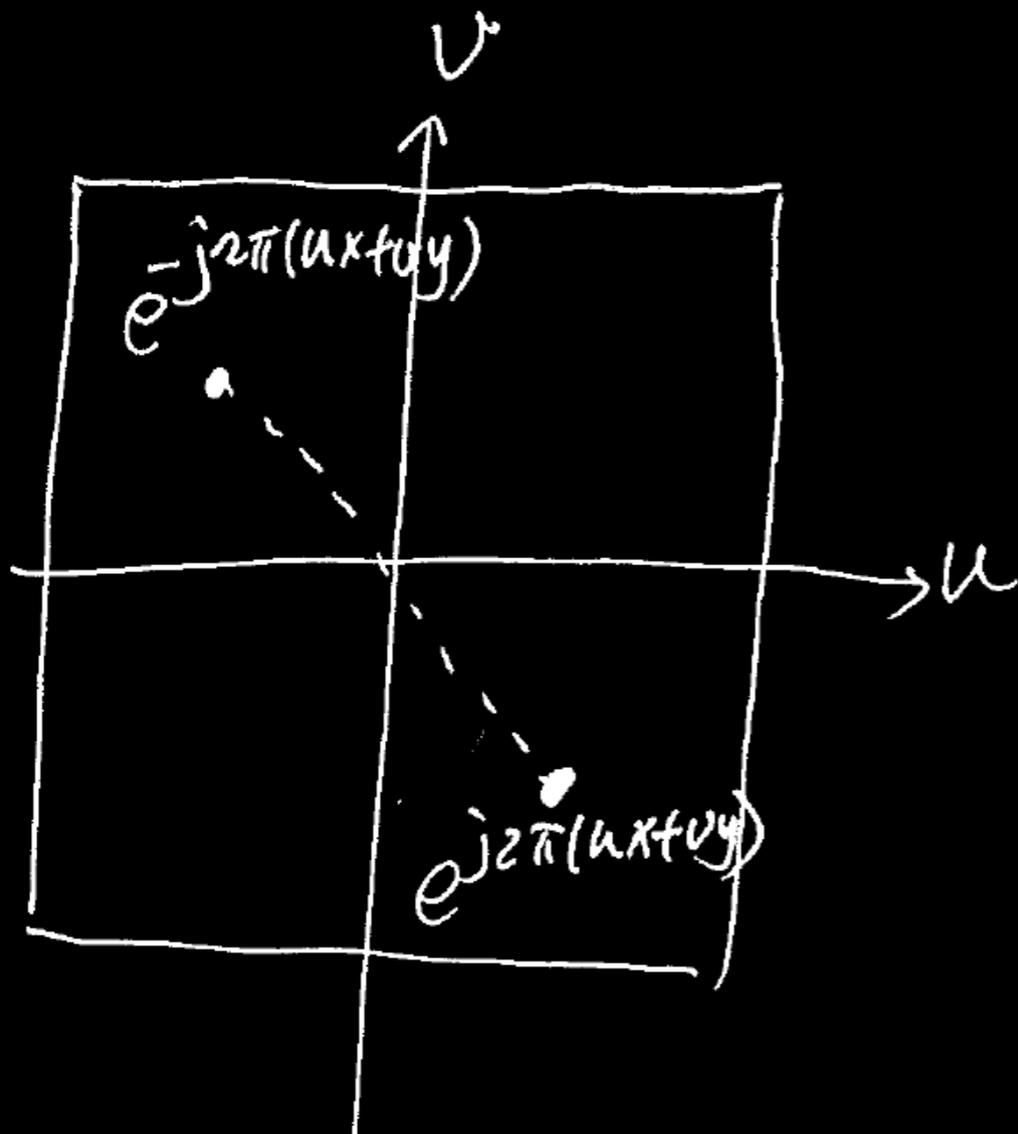
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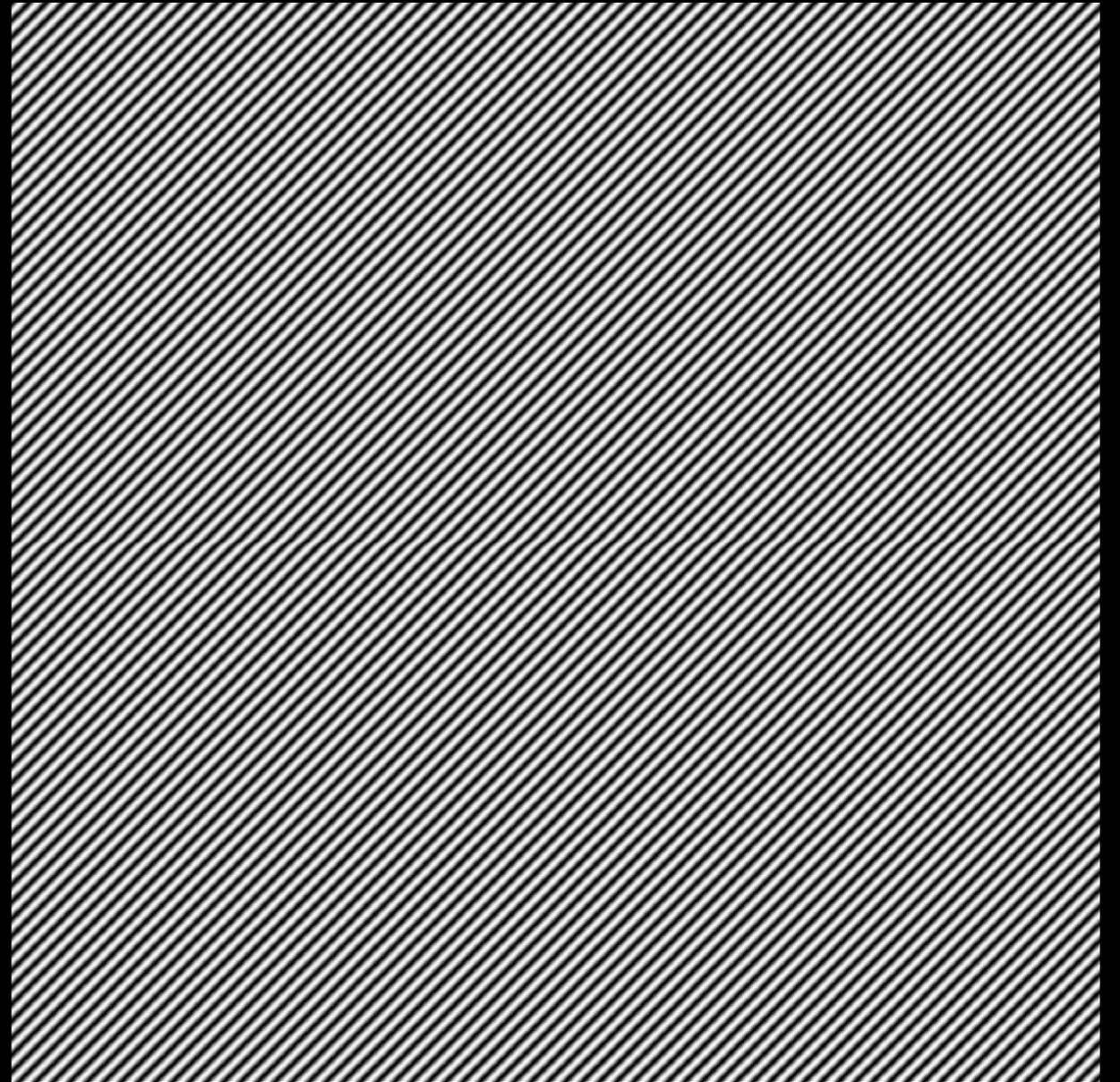
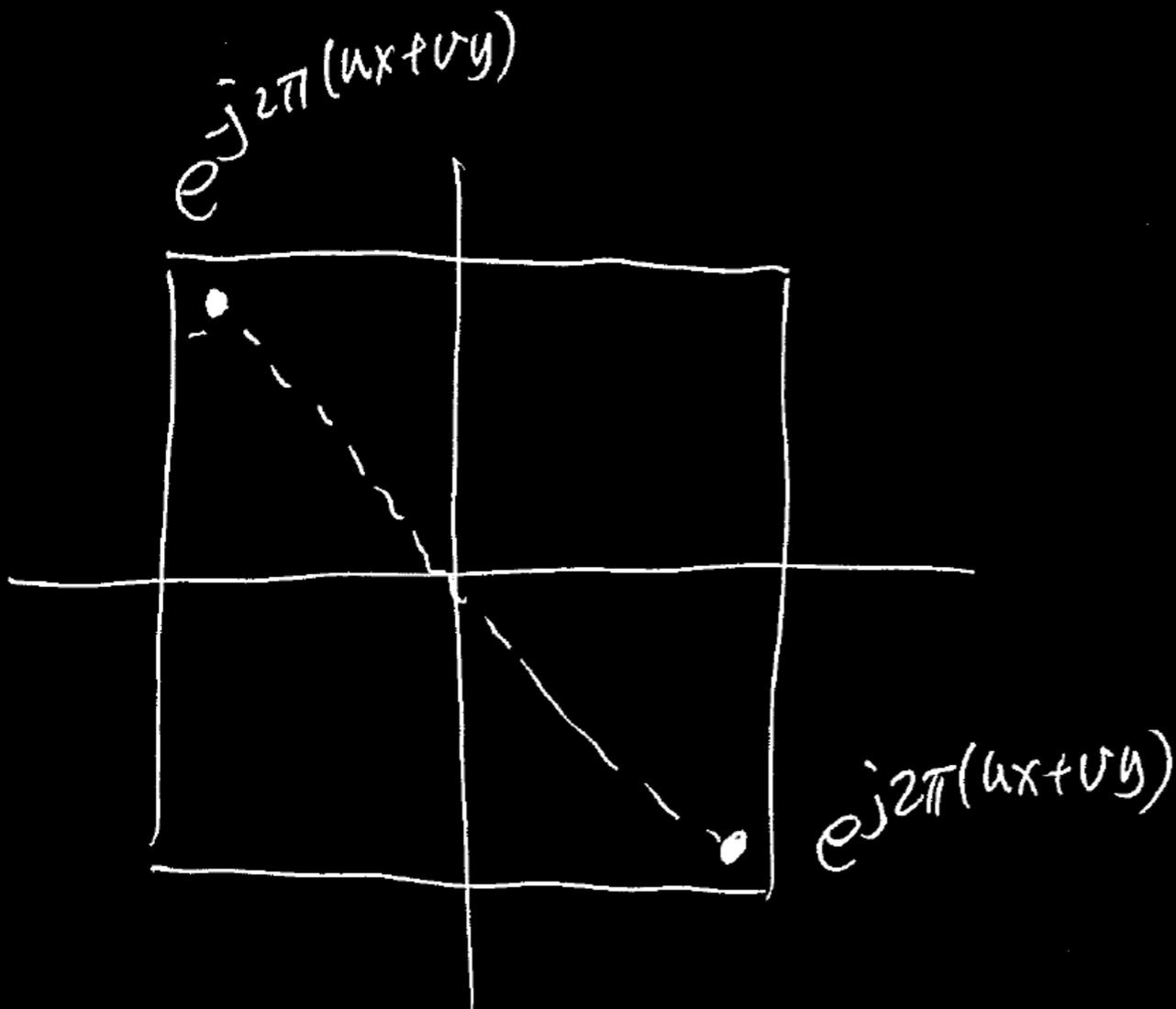
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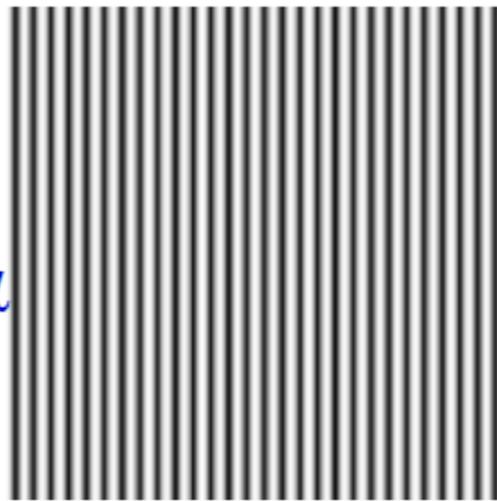


# 2D FT of 2D Image

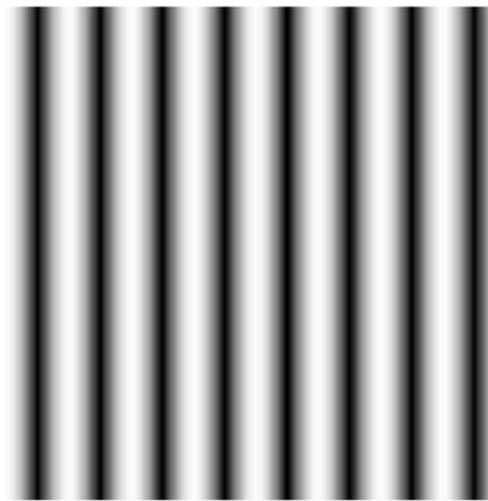
$f(x,y)$



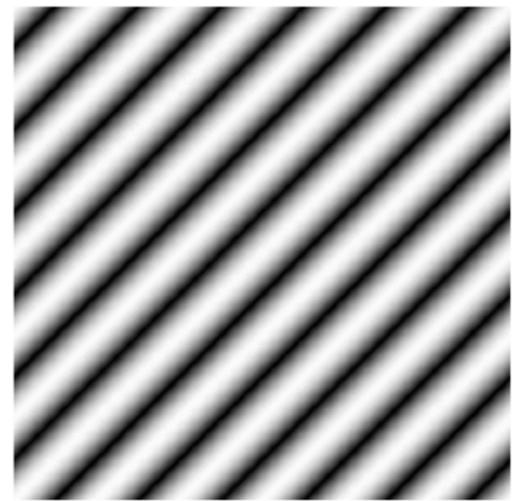
=  $\alpha$



+  $\beta$

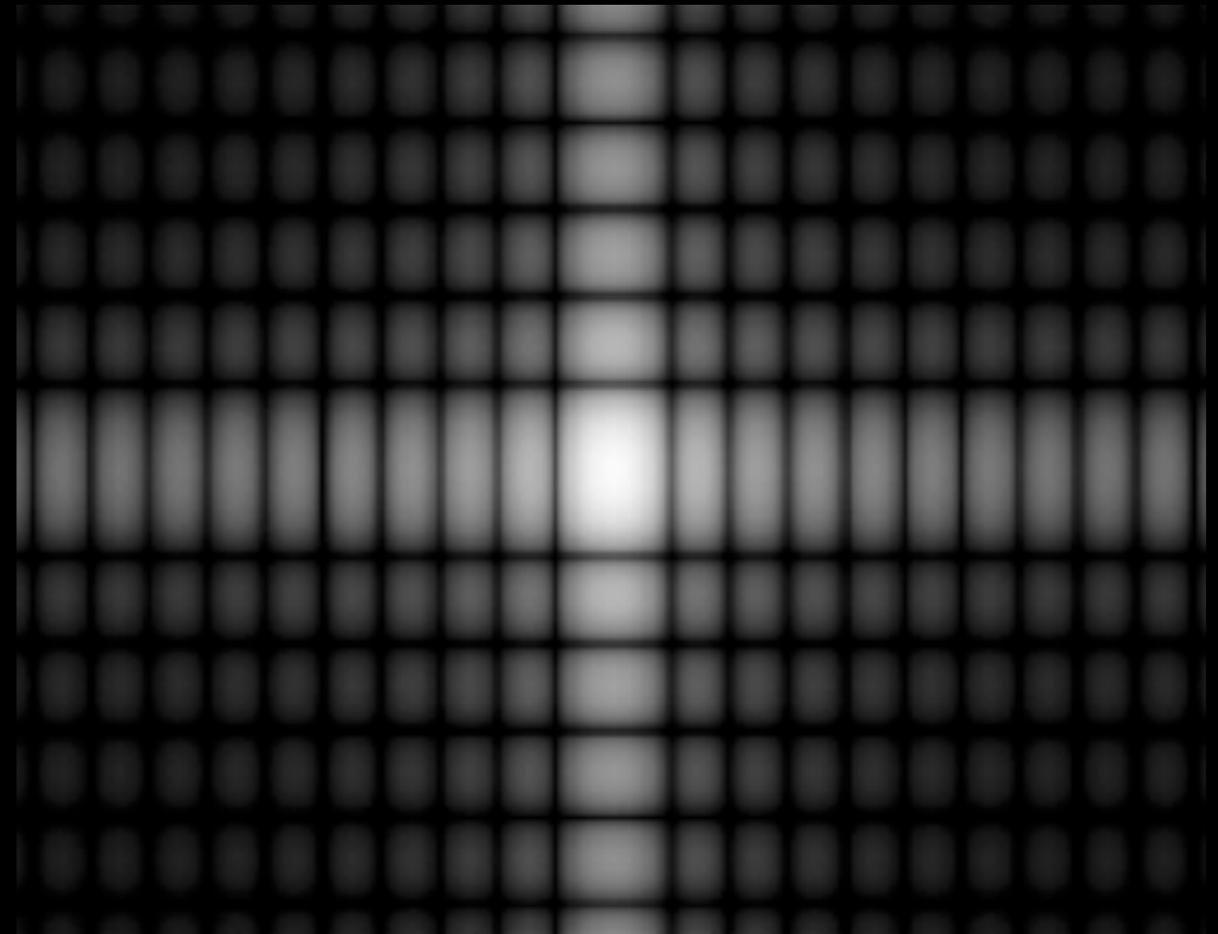
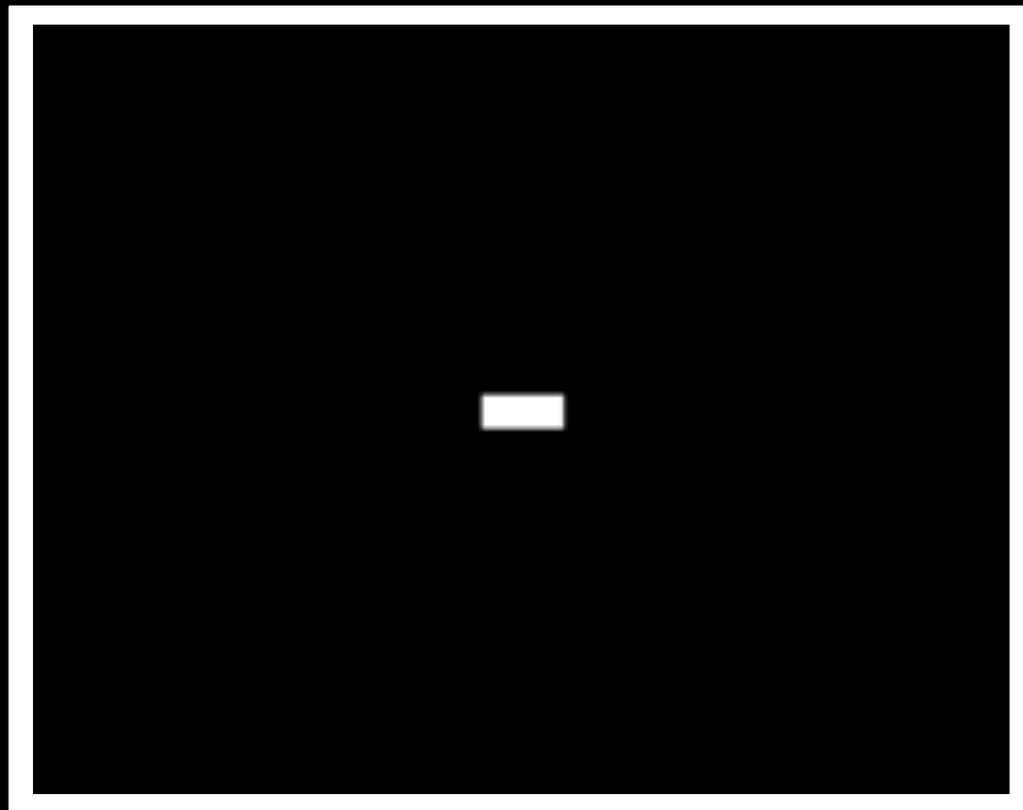


+  $\gamma$



+ ...

# 2D FT of 2D Rect Function



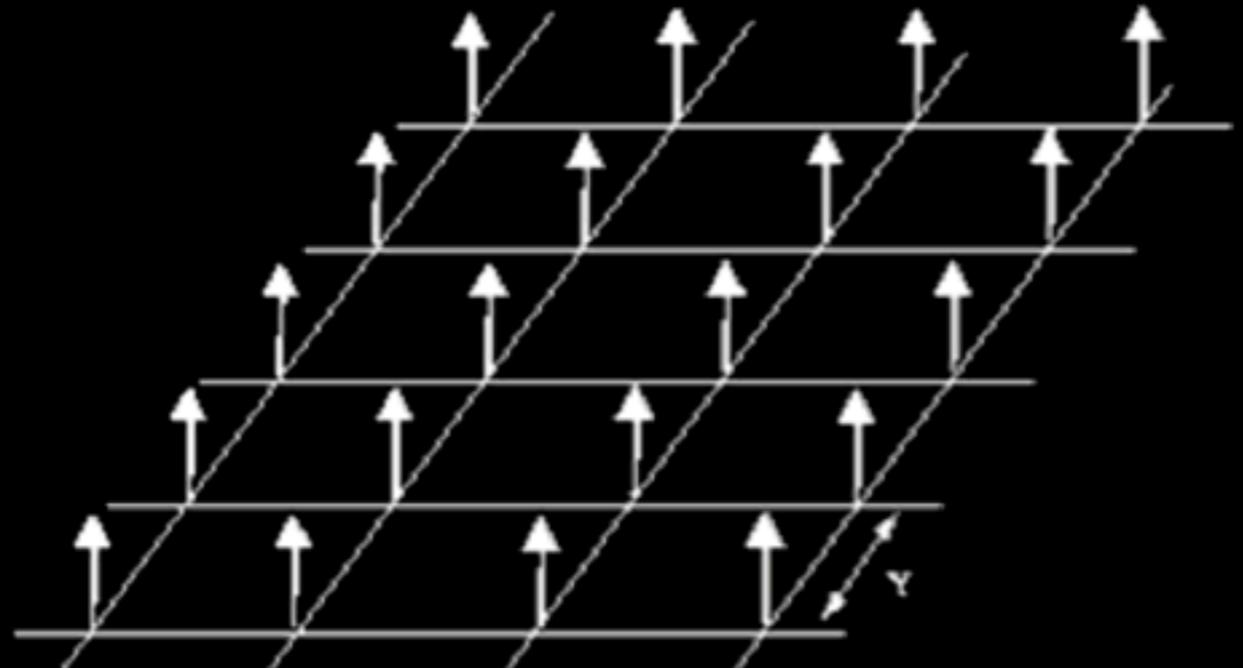
# 2D FT of 2D Delta Function

$$f(x, y) = \delta(x, y) = \delta(x)\delta(y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(u, v) &= \iint \delta(x, y) e^{-j2\pi(ux+vy)} dx dy \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

# 2D FT of 2D Comb Function

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - nX) \delta(y - mY)$$



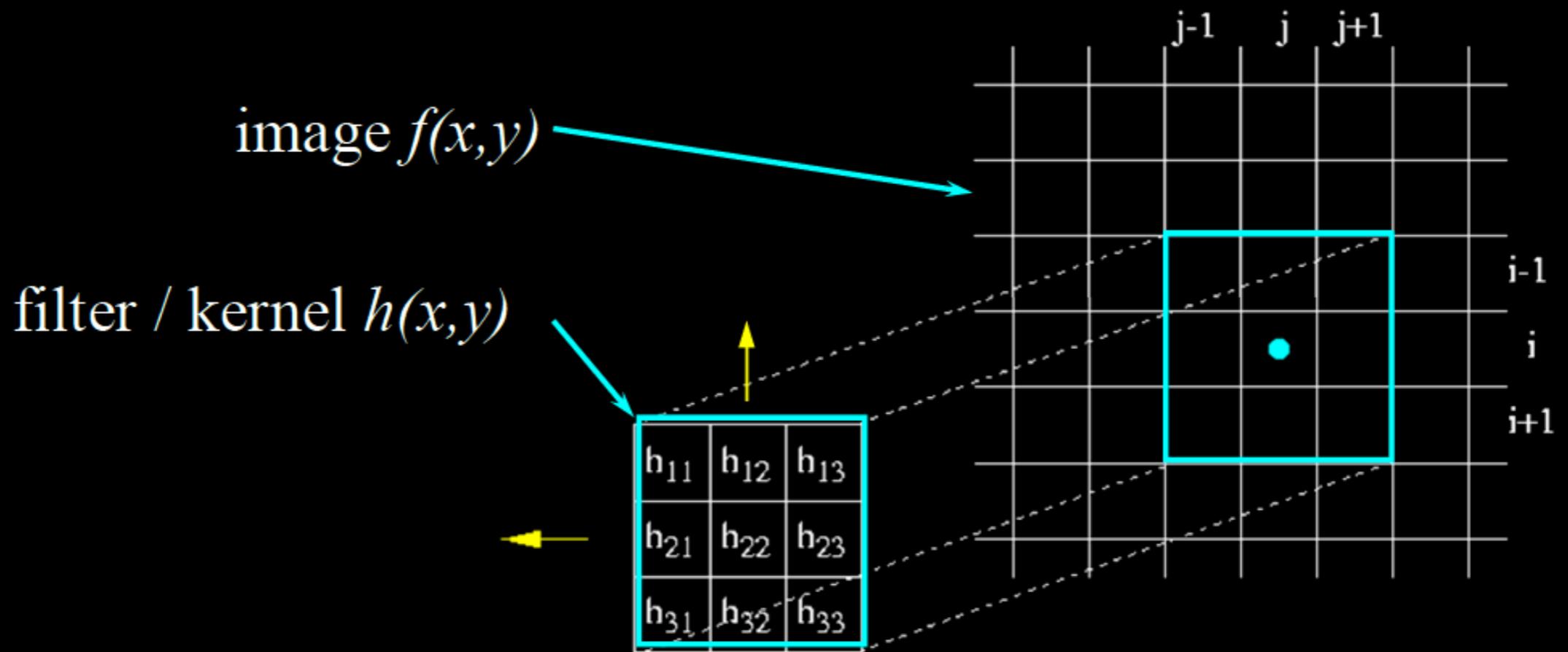
# 2D Convolution

convolution

$$g(x, y) = h(x, y) * f(x, y) = f(x, y) * h(x, y)$$

$$= \iint f(u, v) h(x - u, y - v) du dv$$

filtering



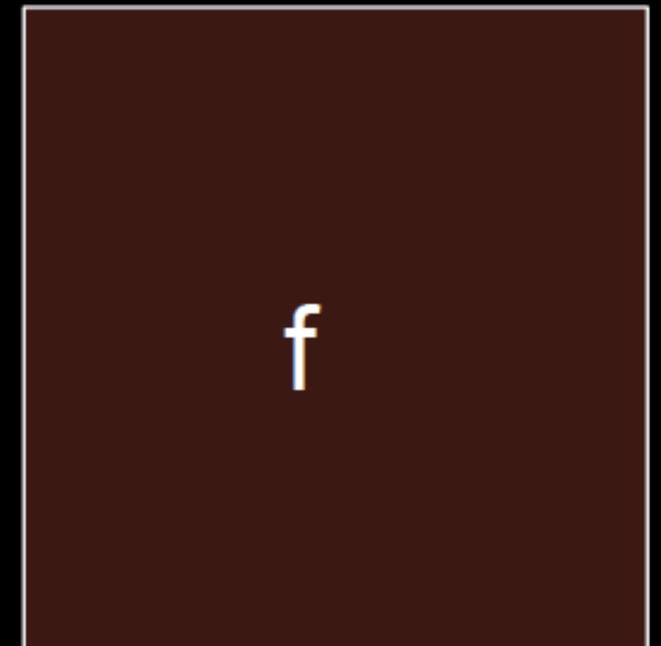
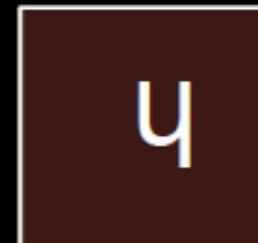
$$g(x,y) = \begin{matrix} h_{11} f(i-1, j-1) & + & h_{12} f(i-1, j) & + & h_{13} f(i-1, j+1) & + \\ h_{21} f(i, j-1) & & + & h_{22} f(i, j) & + & h_{23} f(i, j+1) & + \\ h_{31} f(i+1, j-1) & + & h_{32} f(i+1, j) & + & h_{33} f(i+1, j+1) & \end{matrix}$$

for convolution, reflect filter in x and y axes

# 2D Convolution

$$g[i, j] = \sum_{u=-k}^k \sum_{v=-k}^k h[u, v] f[i - u, j - v]$$

convolution with h



# 2D Convolution Theorem

$$f(x, y) * h(x, y) \Leftrightarrow F(u, v)H(u, v)$$

Space convolution = frequency multiplication

# 2D FFT MATLAB DEMO

# Questions?

- Related reading materials
  - Liang/Lauterbur - Chap 2.3, 2.4, 2.5
  - Nishimura - Chap 2.2, 2.4

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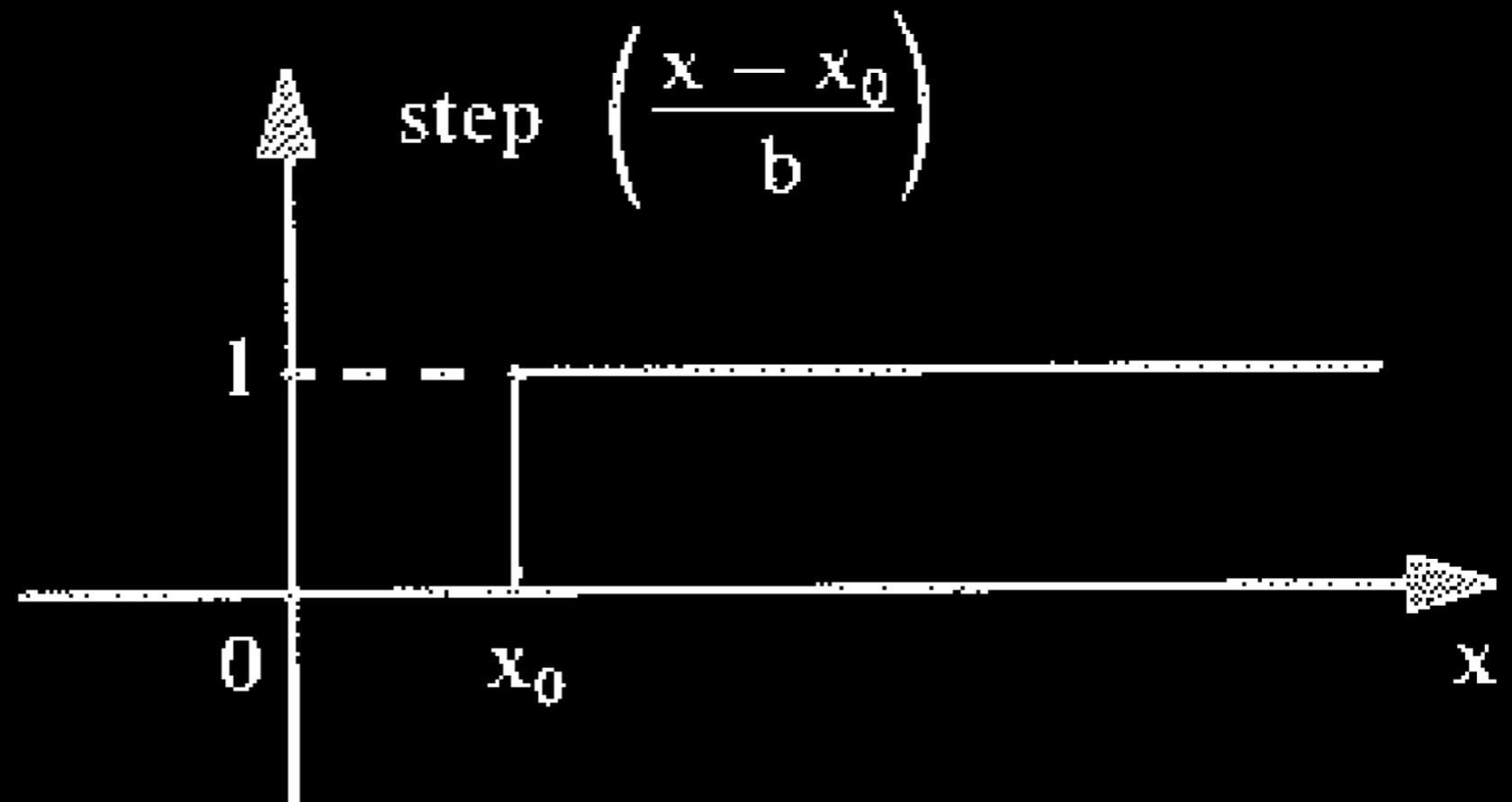
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# Special Functions

$$\text{step}\left(\frac{x - x_0}{b}\right) = \begin{cases} 0, & \frac{x}{b} < \frac{x_0}{b} \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{x}{b} = \frac{x_0}{b} \\ 1, & \frac{x}{b} > \frac{x_0}{b} \end{cases}$$

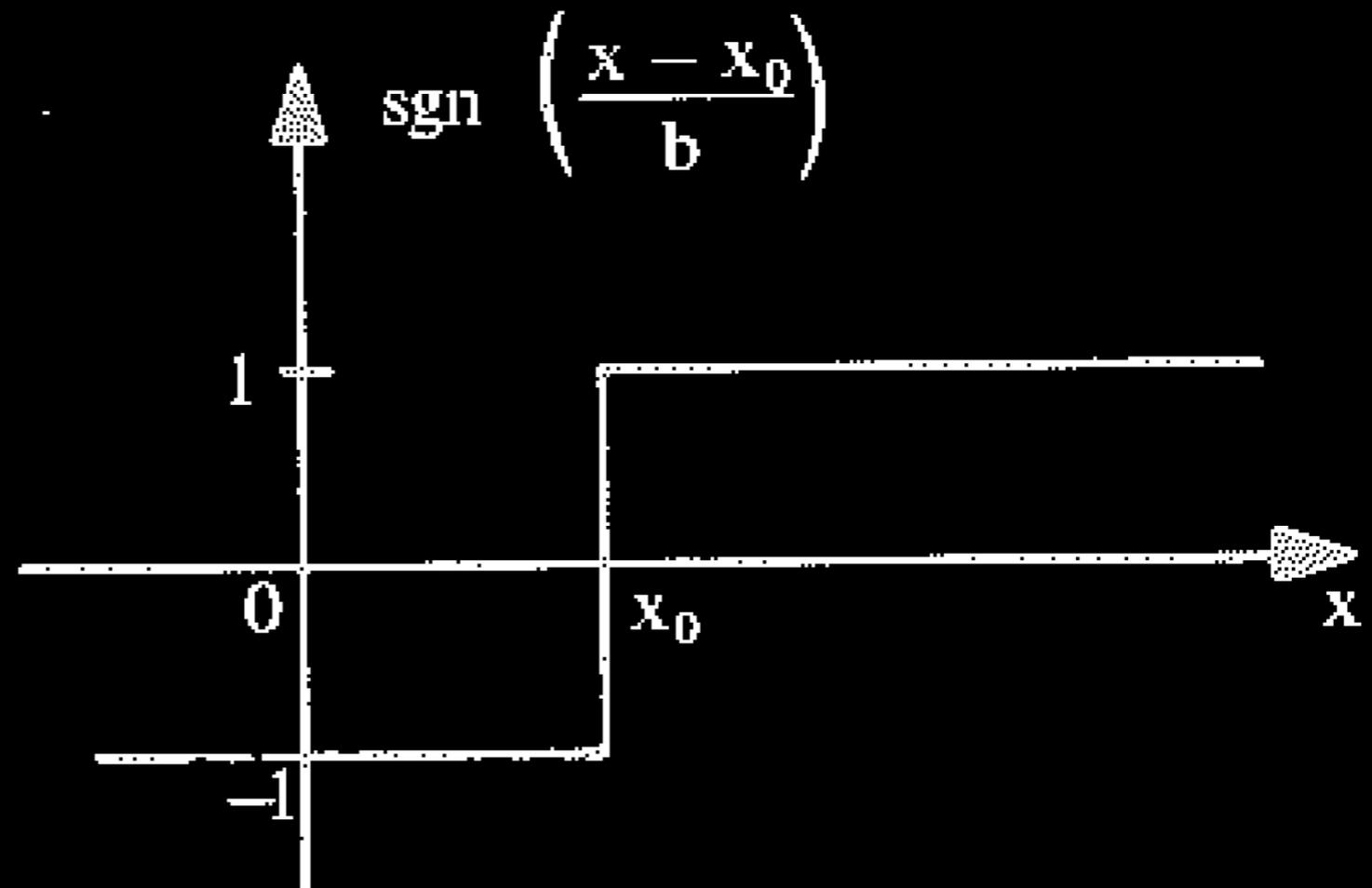
**Step Function**



# Special Functions

$$\operatorname{sgn}\left(\frac{x - x_0}{b}\right) = \begin{cases} -1, & \frac{x}{b} < \frac{x_0}{b} \\ 0, & \frac{x}{b} = \frac{x_0}{b} \\ 1, & \frac{x}{b} > \frac{x_0}{b} \end{cases}$$

## Sign Function

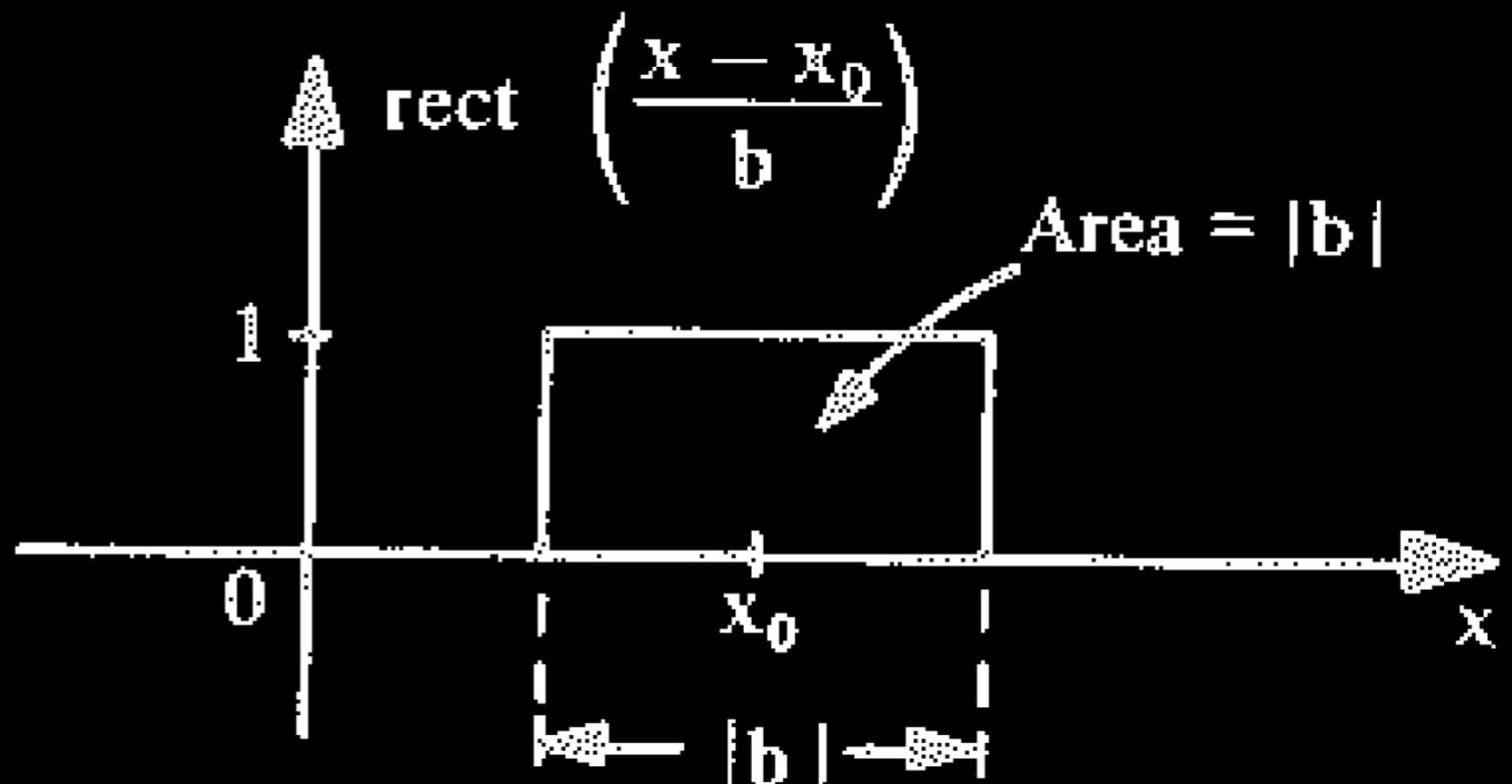


# Special Functions

## Rect Function

$$\text{rect}\left(\frac{x-x_0}{b}\right) = \begin{cases} 0, & \left|\frac{x-x_0}{b}\right| > \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \left|\frac{x-x_0}{b}\right| = \frac{1}{2} \\ 1, & \left|\frac{x-x_0}{b}\right| < \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\Pi(x) \triangleq \begin{cases} 1 & |x| < 1/2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

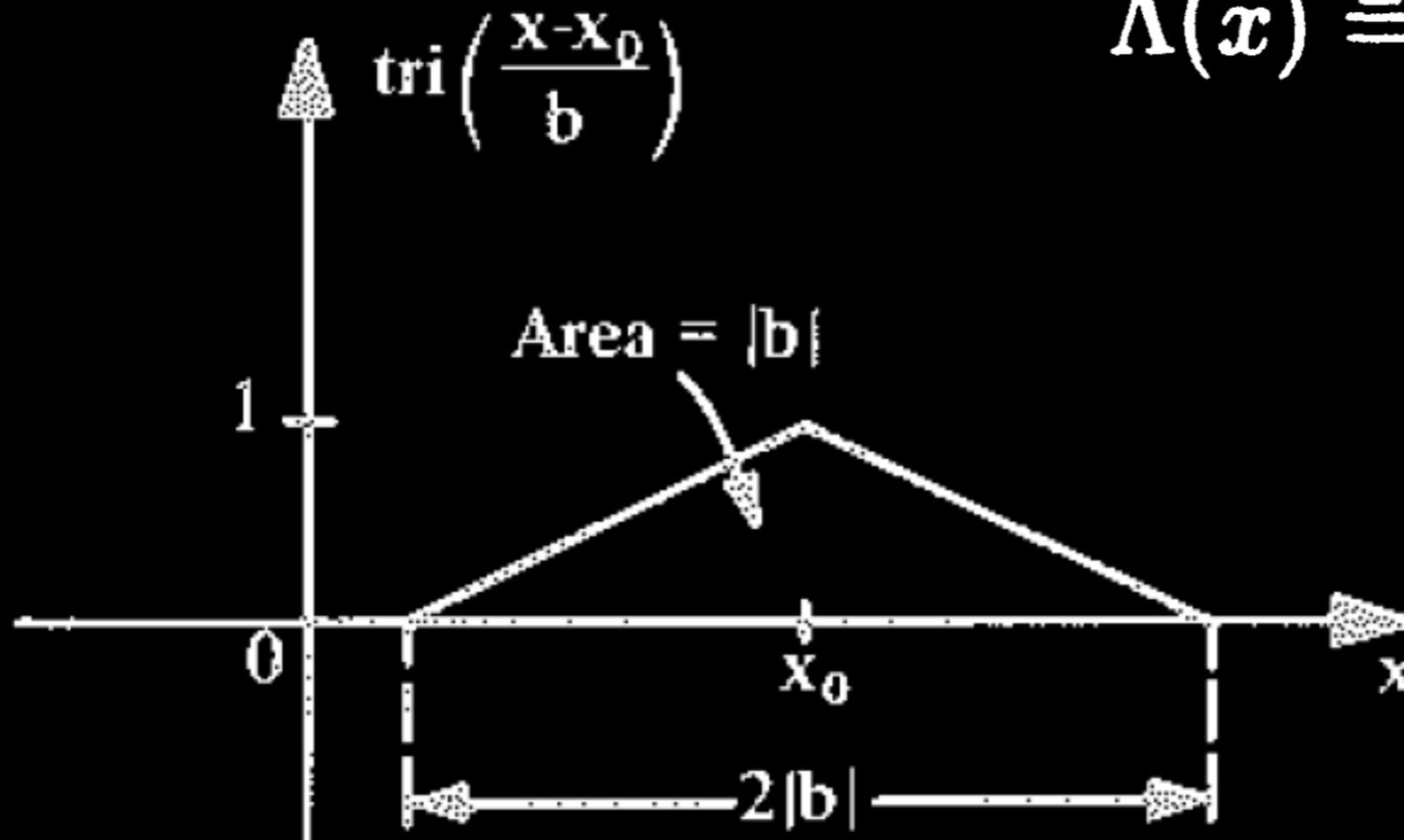


# Special Functions

$$\text{tri}\left(\frac{x-x_0}{b}\right) = \begin{cases} 0, & \left|\frac{x-x_0}{b}\right| \geq 1 \\ 1 - \left|\frac{x-x_0}{b}\right|, & \left|\frac{x-x_0}{b}\right| < 1 \end{cases}$$

**Triangular  
Function**

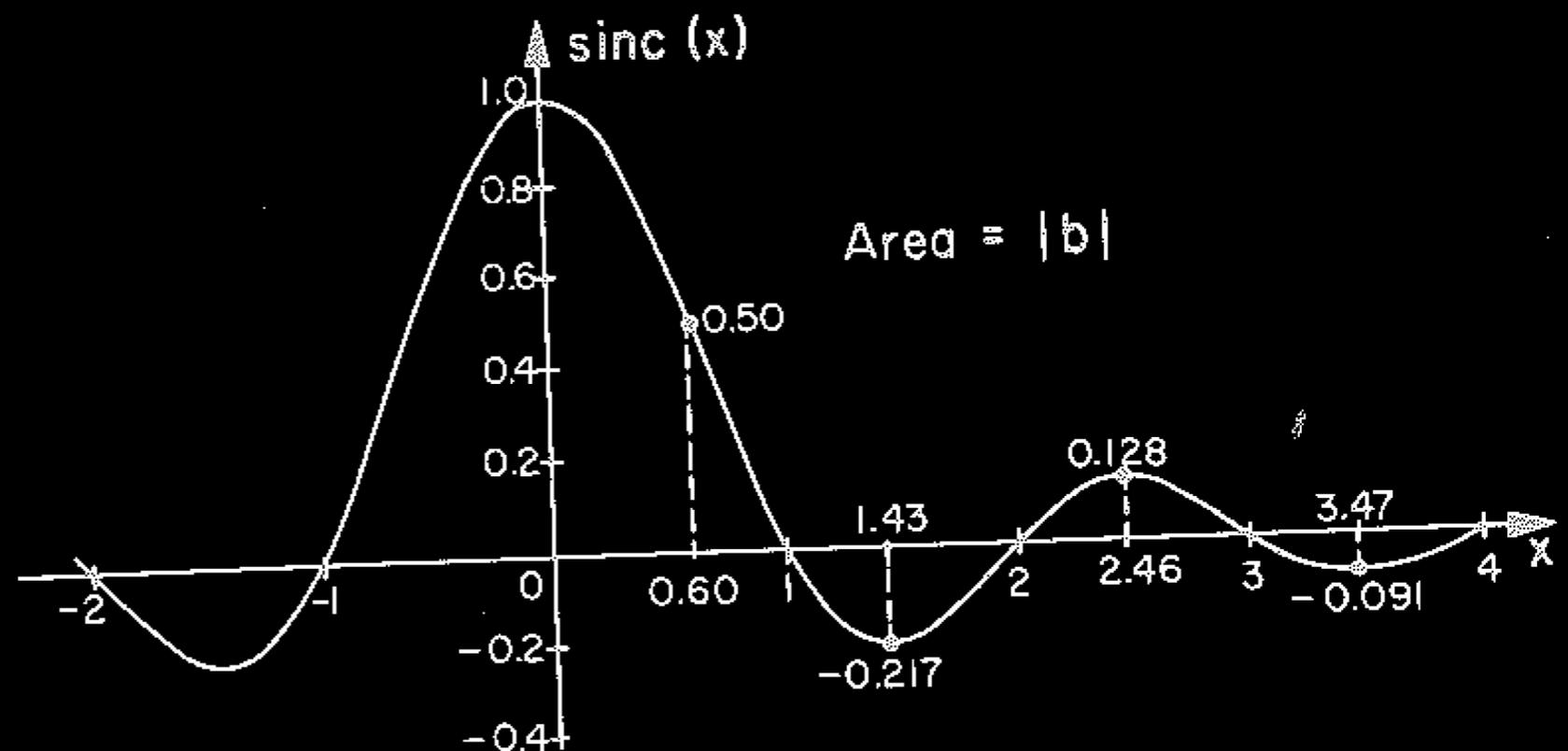
$$\Lambda(x) \triangleq \begin{cases} 1 - |x| & |x| \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



# Special Functions

$$\text{sinc}\left(\frac{x - x_0}{b}\right) = \frac{\sin \pi \left(\frac{x - x_0}{b}\right)}{\pi \left(\frac{x - x_0}{b}\right)}$$

## Sinc Function



# Special Functions

## Sinc<sup>2</sup> Function

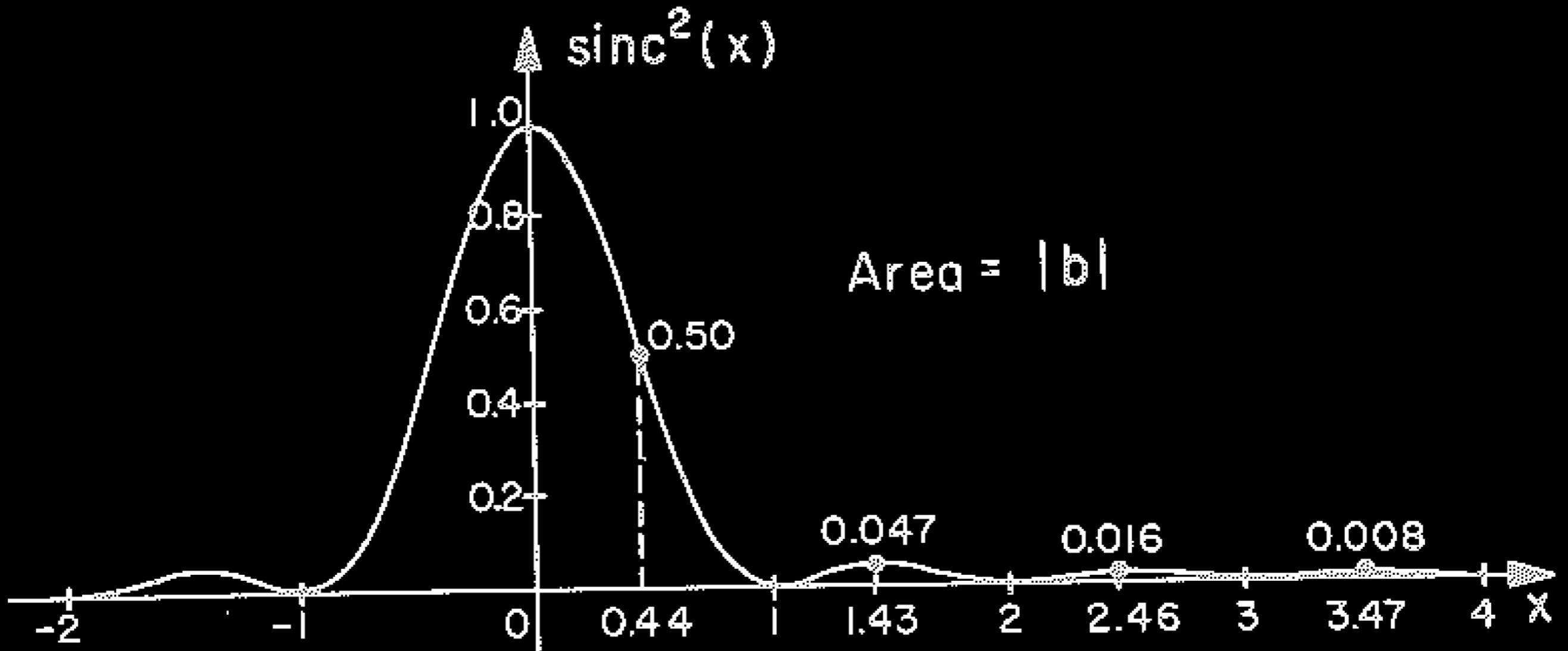
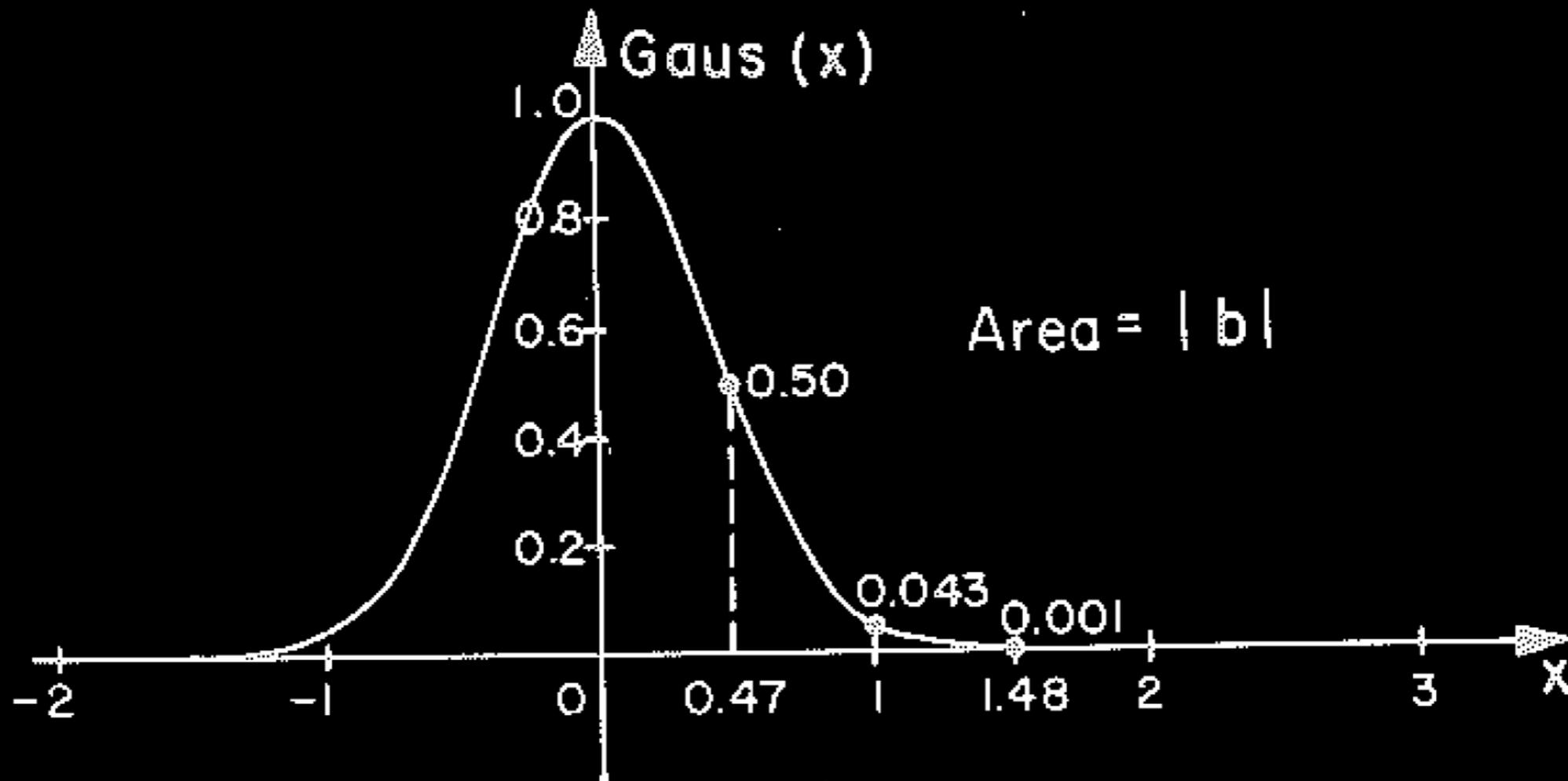


Figure 3-8 The  $\text{sinc}^2$  function.

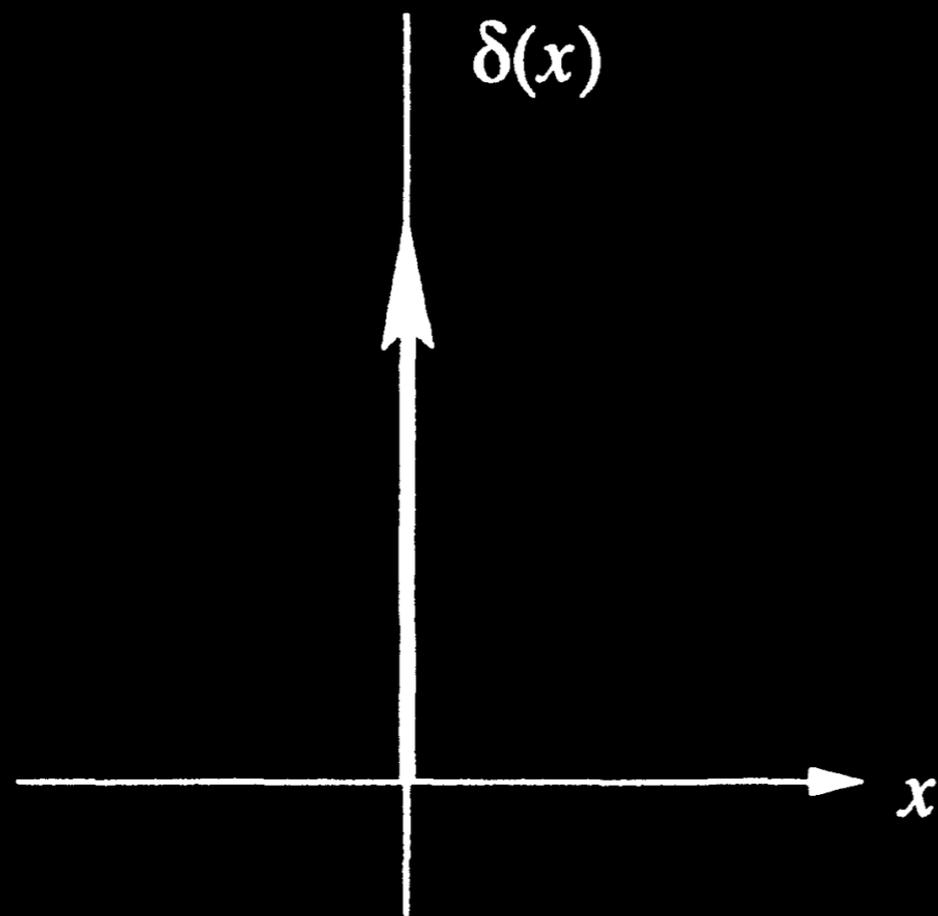
# Special Functions

$$\text{Gaus}\left(\frac{x - x_0}{b}\right) = \exp\left[-\pi\left(\frac{x - x_0}{b}\right)^2\right]$$

**Gaussian  
Function**



# Delta (Impulse) Function



$$\delta(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Delta x} \Pi\left(\frac{x}{\Delta x}\right)$$

$$\delta(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Delta x} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\pi x}{\Delta x}\right)$$

$$\delta(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Delta x} \Lambda\left(\frac{x}{\Delta x}\right)$$

$$\delta(x) = 0 \text{ for } x \neq 0$$

$\delta(x)$  is unbounded at  $x = 0$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x) dx = 1$$

# Properties of Delta Function

*Scaling property:*

**could be confusing!**

$$\delta(ax) = \frac{1}{|a|} \delta(x) \quad a \neq 0 \quad (2.45)$$

*Sampling property:*

$$\varphi(x) \delta(x - x_0) = \varphi(x_0) \delta(x - x_0) \quad (2.46a)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x) \delta(x - x_0) dx = \varphi(x_0) \quad (2.46b)$$

*Derivative property:*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x) \delta^{(n)}(x - x_0) dx = (-1)^n \varphi^{(n)}(x_0) \quad (2.47)$$

# Why Delta Function is Important?

**Impulse Response can fully characterize many linear systems**

**Any arbitrary function can be decomposed into a linear combination of delta functions**

**Relatives of Delta Function is essential in Fourier analysis of MRI signal/k-space**

# Relatives of Delta Function

$$\delta[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{Kronecker Delta Function}$$

**Functions similarly in discrete systems as Delta Function**

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi[n] \delta[n - n_0] = \varphi[n_0]$$

# Relatives of Delta Function

$$\text{comb}(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - n)$$

**Comb Function**

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$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - n\Delta x) = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \text{comb} \left( \frac{x}{\Delta x} \right)$$