# PHYS 391 Day 18

- FFT Quiz
- Windowing

## Overview

- HW5 and Lab 5 both explore aspects of the FFT
- Discrete frequency coefficients
- Nyquist limit, and aliasing
- New today: windowing

# Conceptual Questions

What is the primary reason for the following features of the discrete Fourier transform?

- Finite frequency components: Δν
- Nyquist limit/aliasing

# Conceptual Questions

Finite frequency components: Δν

These were also present in the original Fourier series, where f(x) was continuous. This comes about from the finite duration of the sampled waveform.

Nyquist limit/aliasing

This is directly the result of the discrete nature of the sampled waveform

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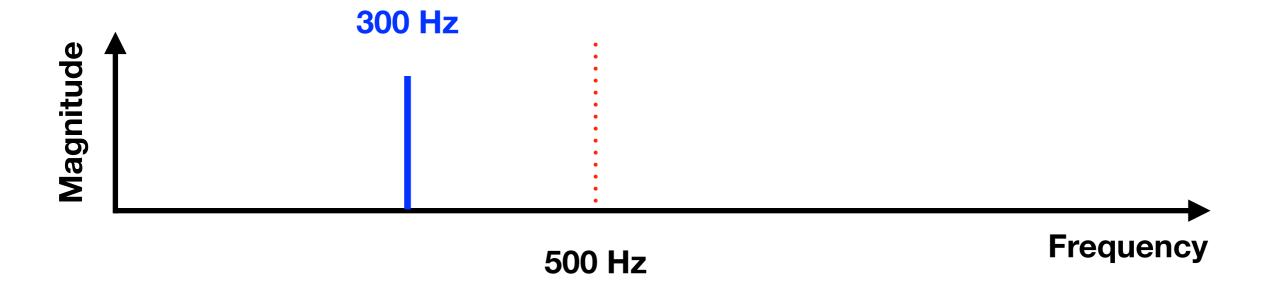
 $\Delta v = 1/T = 2/seconds = 2 Hz$ 

If we sample a waveform at 1 kHz for 0.5 seconds,

- What frequency will a 300 Hz signal appear to have?
- What frequency will a 600 Hz signal appear to have?
- What frequency will a 900 Hz signal appear to have?
- What frequency will a 1200 Hz signal appear to have?

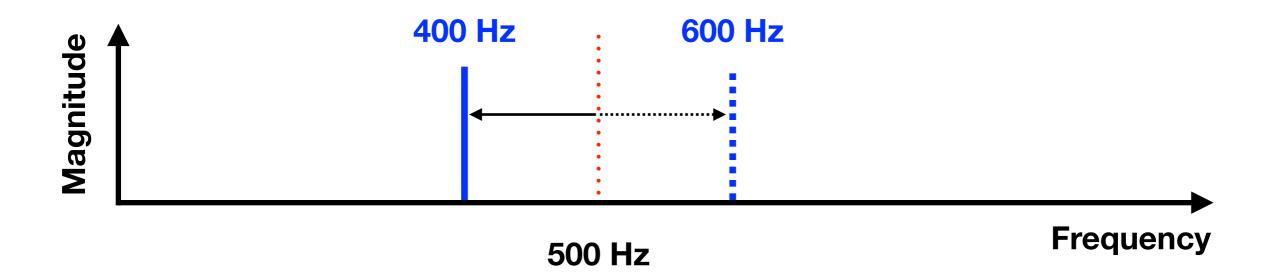
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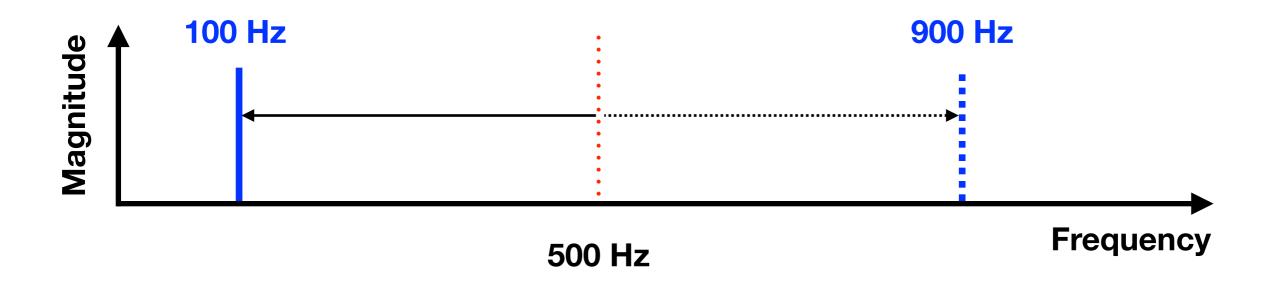
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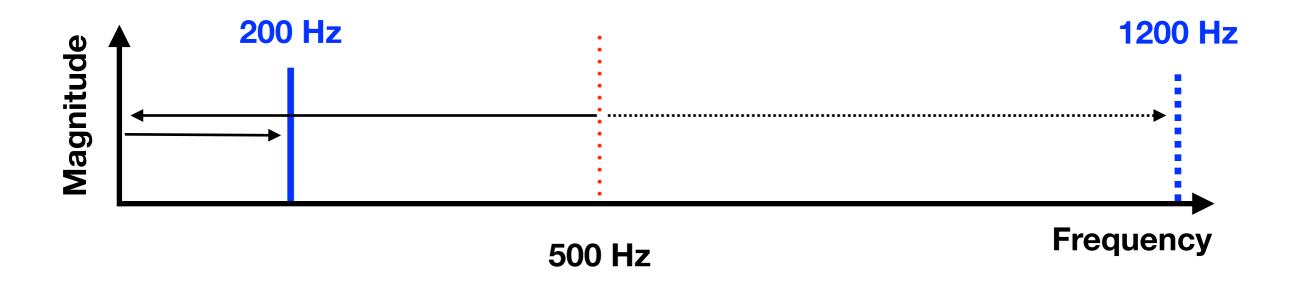
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No loss in amplitude!

# Square Waves

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- Where is the second peak (next highest frequency)?
- What is the amplitude of this second peak?
- Where is the 3rd peak?

You don't need to worry about aliasing here...

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Odd coefficients with amplitude ~ 1/n

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n = 1 at 120 Hz  $\Rightarrow$  n=3 at 360 Hz

What is the amplitude of this second peak?

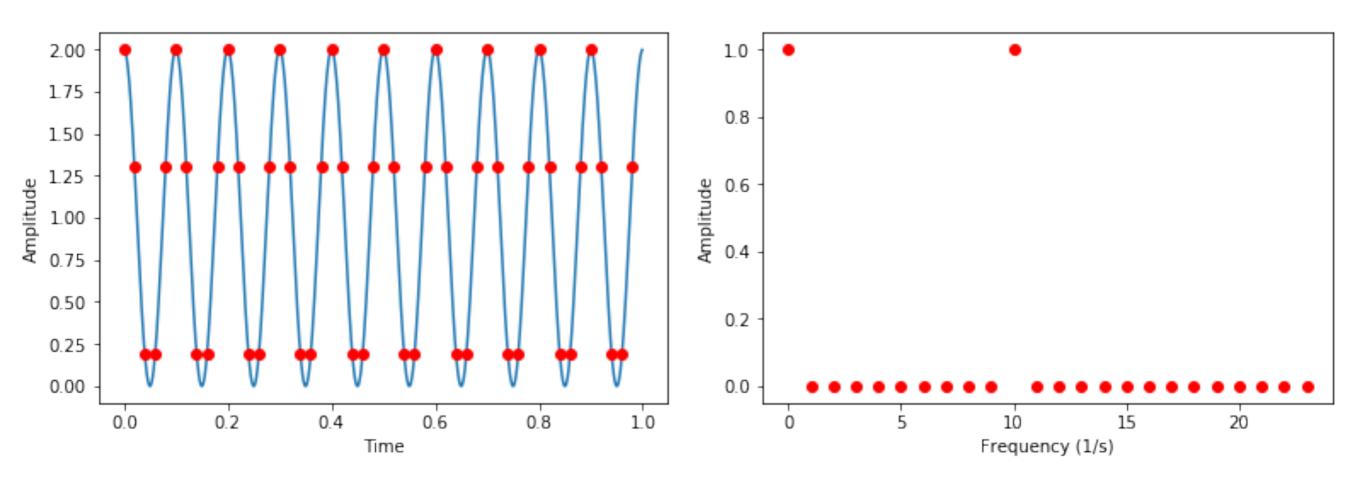
1/3 of the first peak

Where is the 3rd peak?

n=5 at 600 Hz

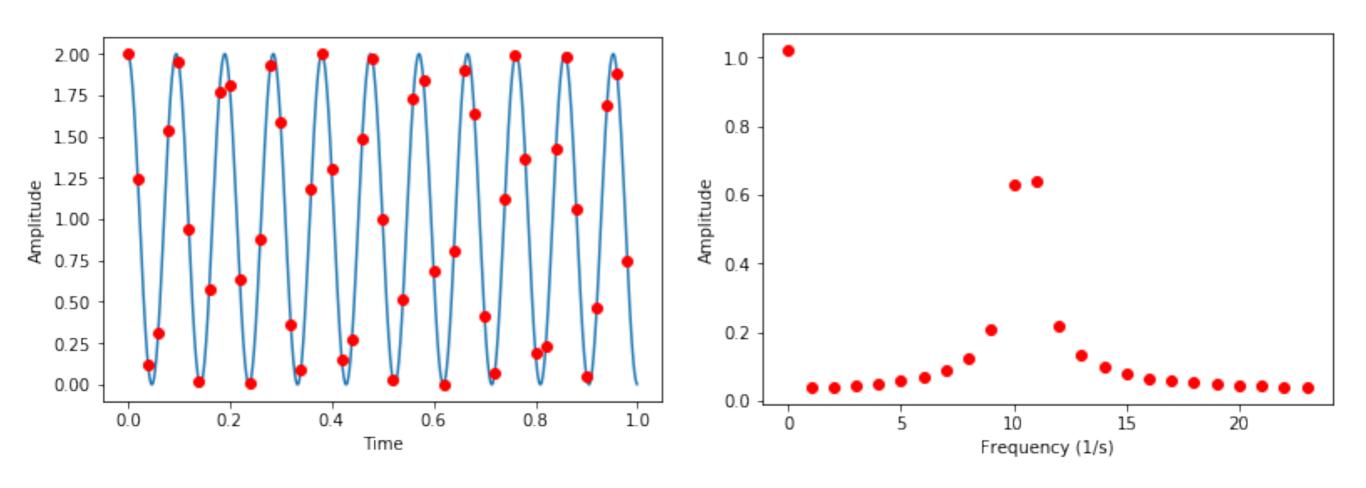
## Fourier Transform

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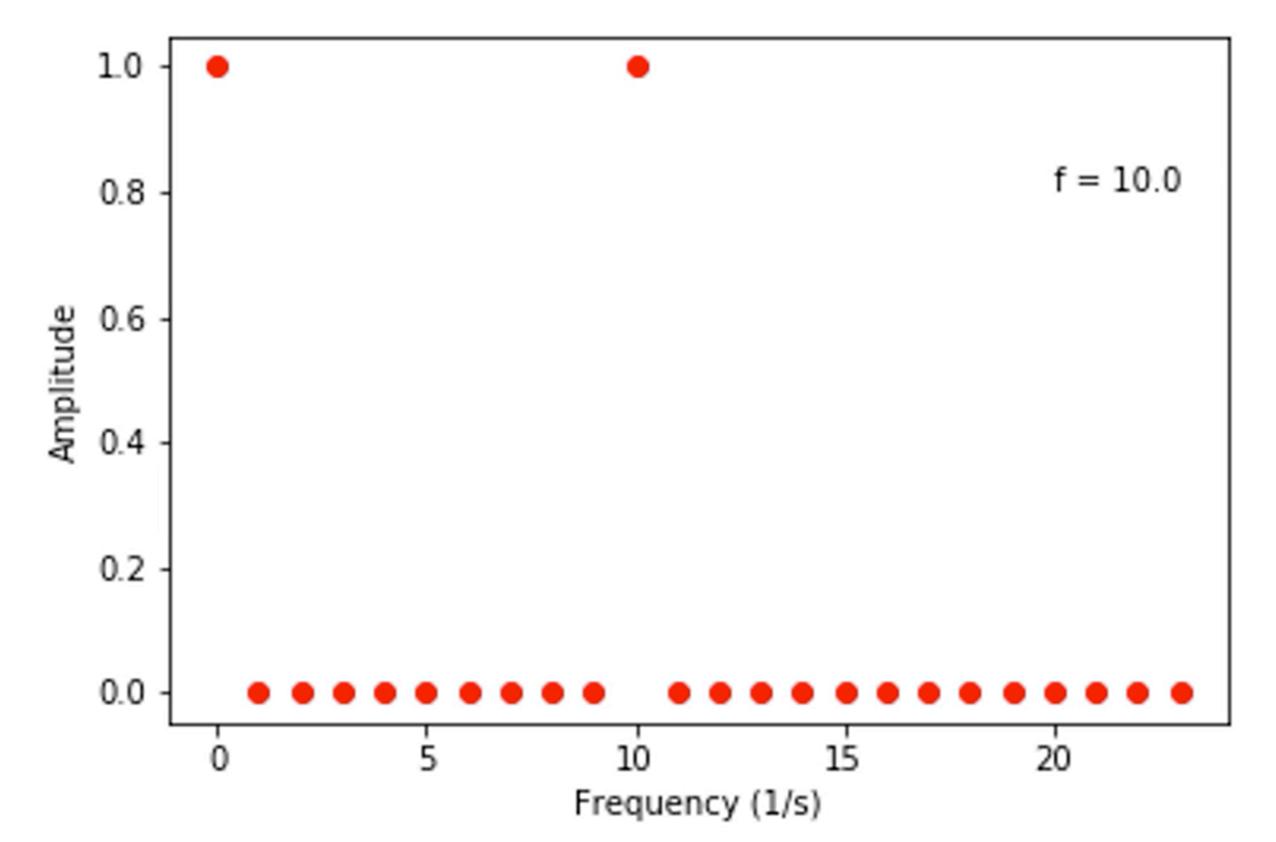
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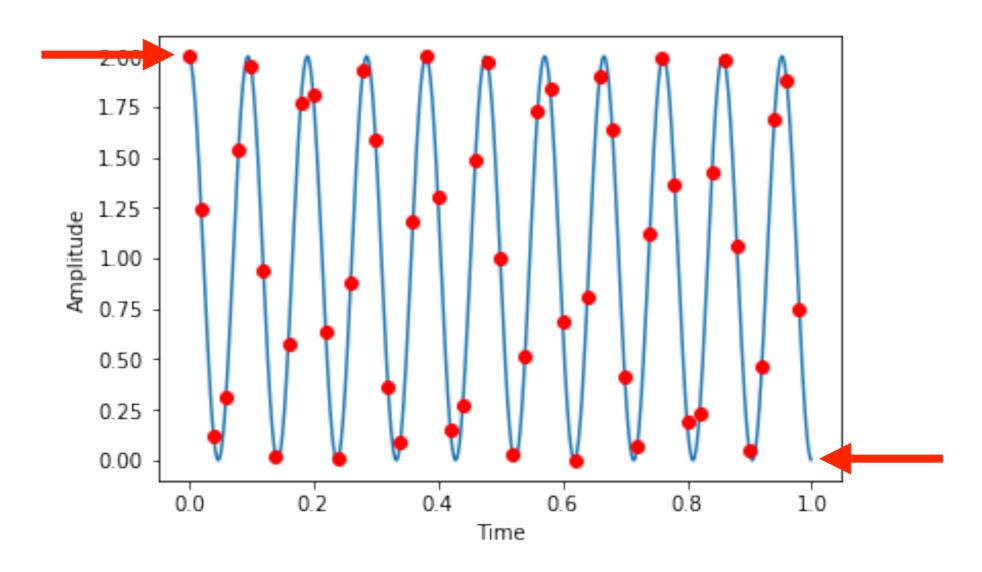


"Frequency Leakage"

## Home Movies



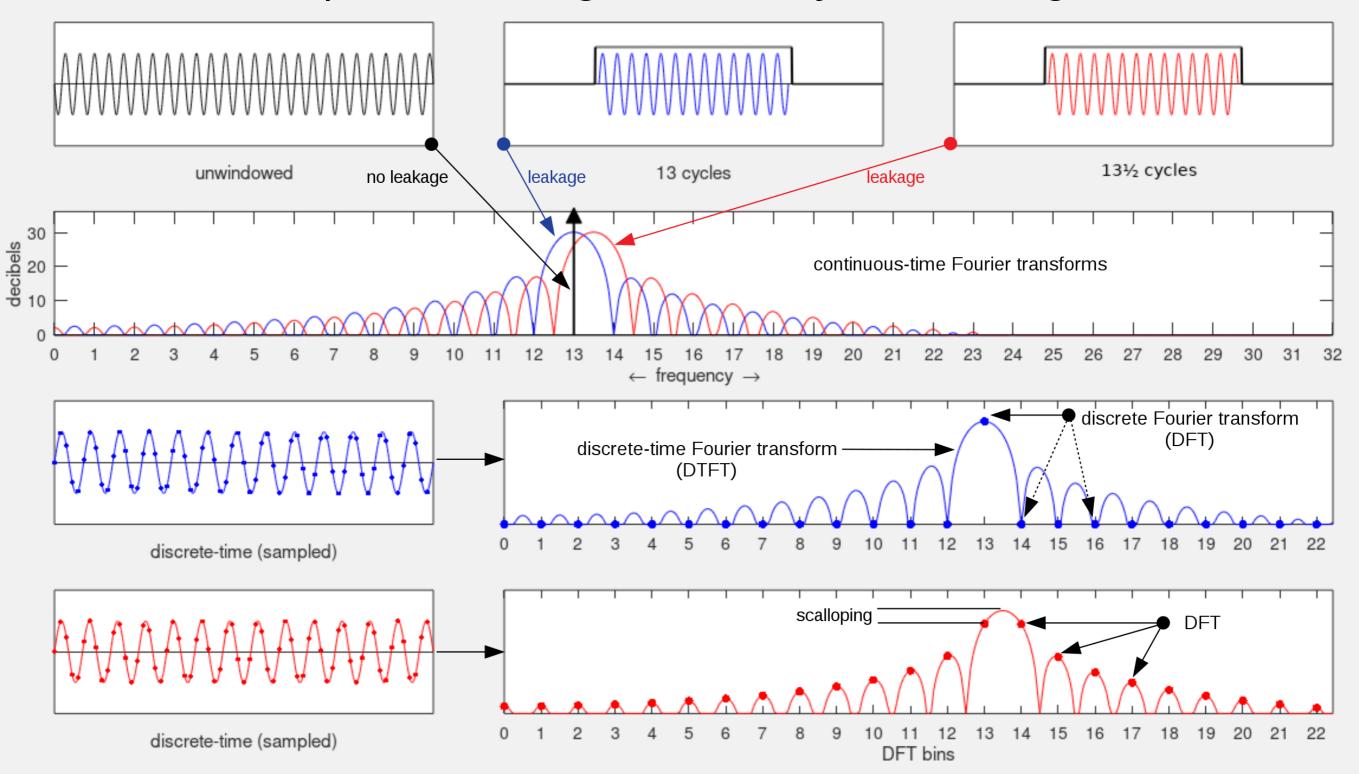
# Windowing - Conceptual



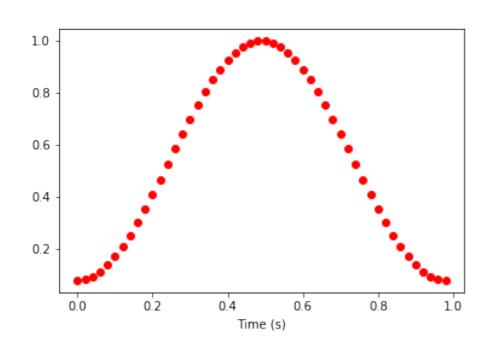
Sharp transitions lead to high frequencies

# Windowing - Wikipedia

Spectral leakage caused by "windowing"

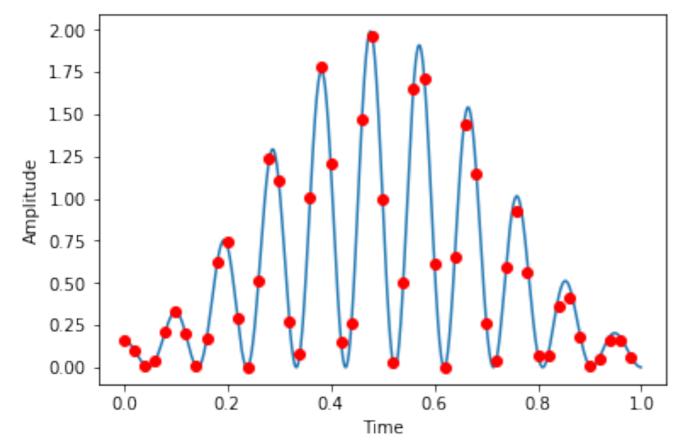


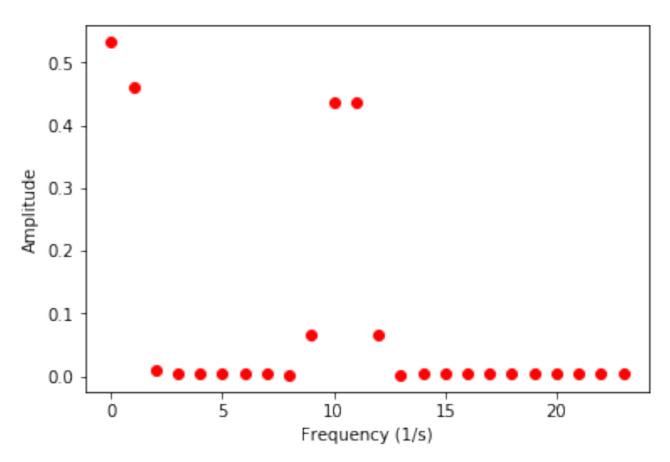
# Hamming Window



### Multiply time-series data by 'window'

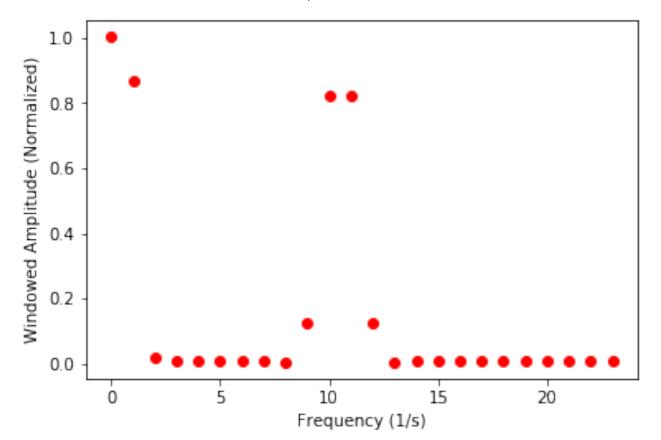
```
import scipy.signal.windows as win
n = len(y1)
window = win.hann(n)
ywindowed = y1 * window
ft1 = np.fft.fft(ywindowed)/n
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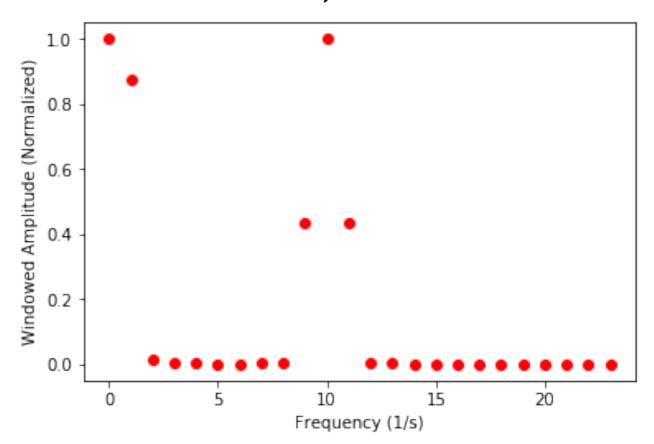


## Normalized





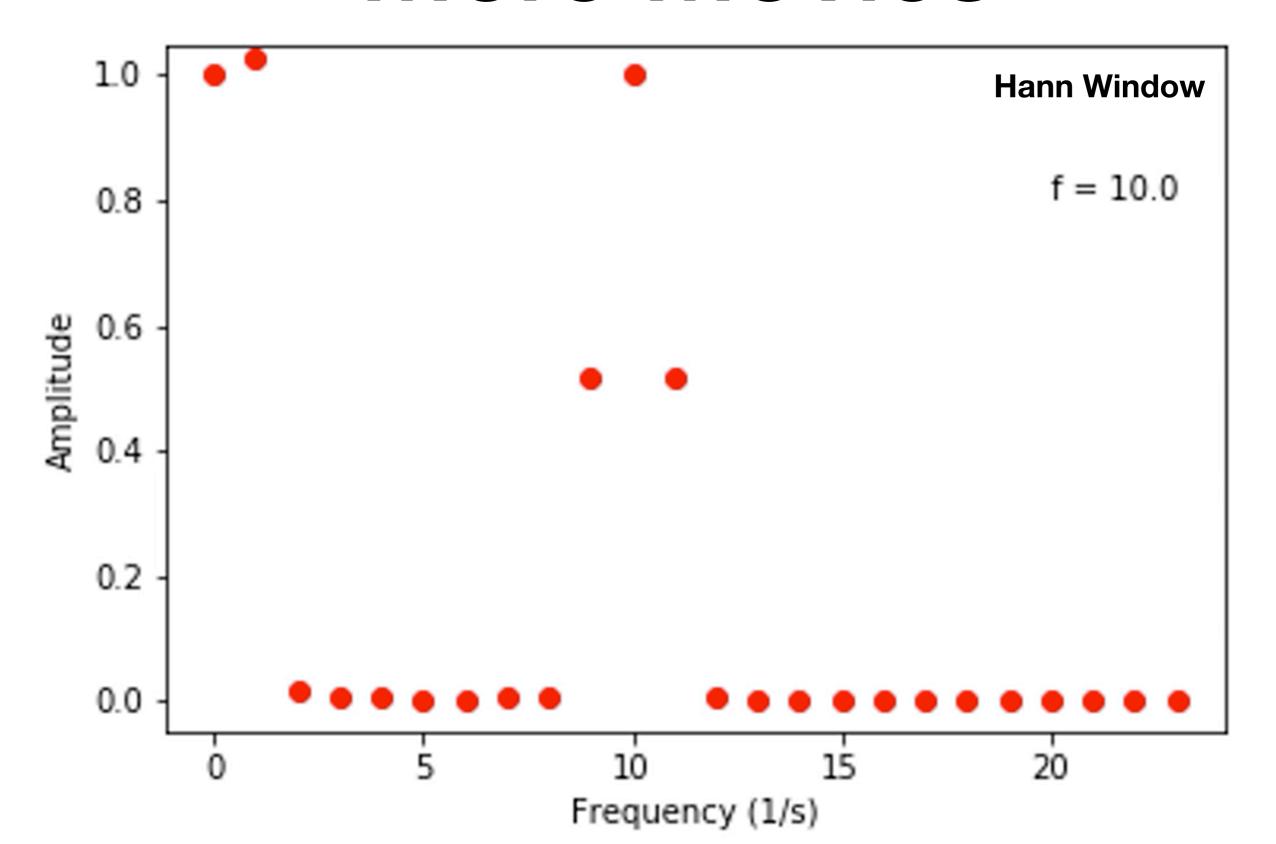
$$v_s = 50 \text{ Hz}, v_0 = 10 \text{ Hz}$$



#### Must correct for overall attenuation of window

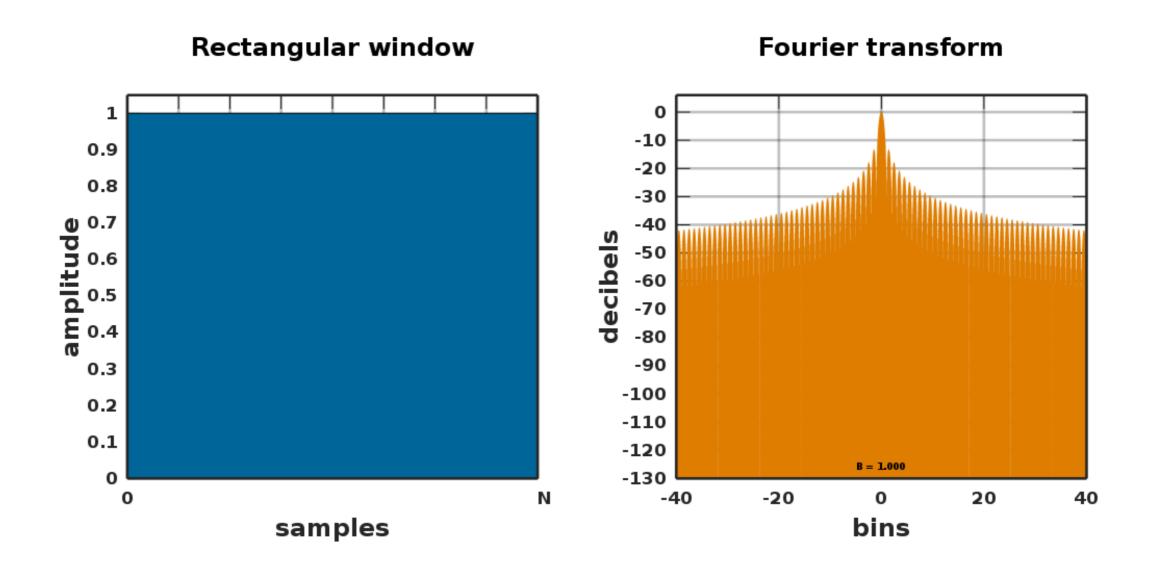
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norm = sum(window) / n
ywindowed = y1 * window / norm
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### More Movies



# Window comparisons

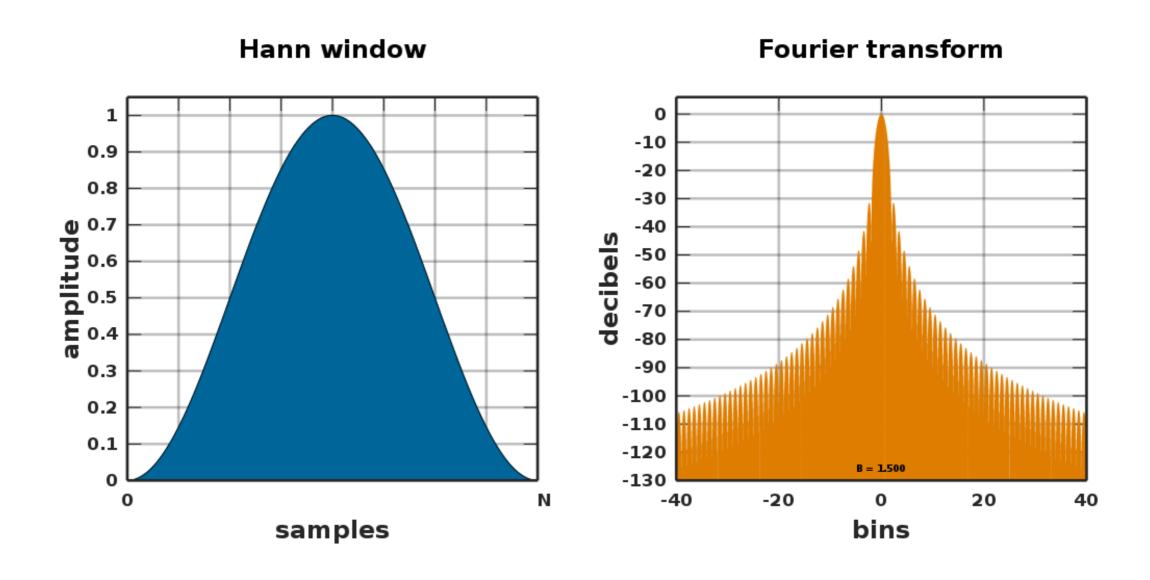
### **Boxcar or Rectangular Window**



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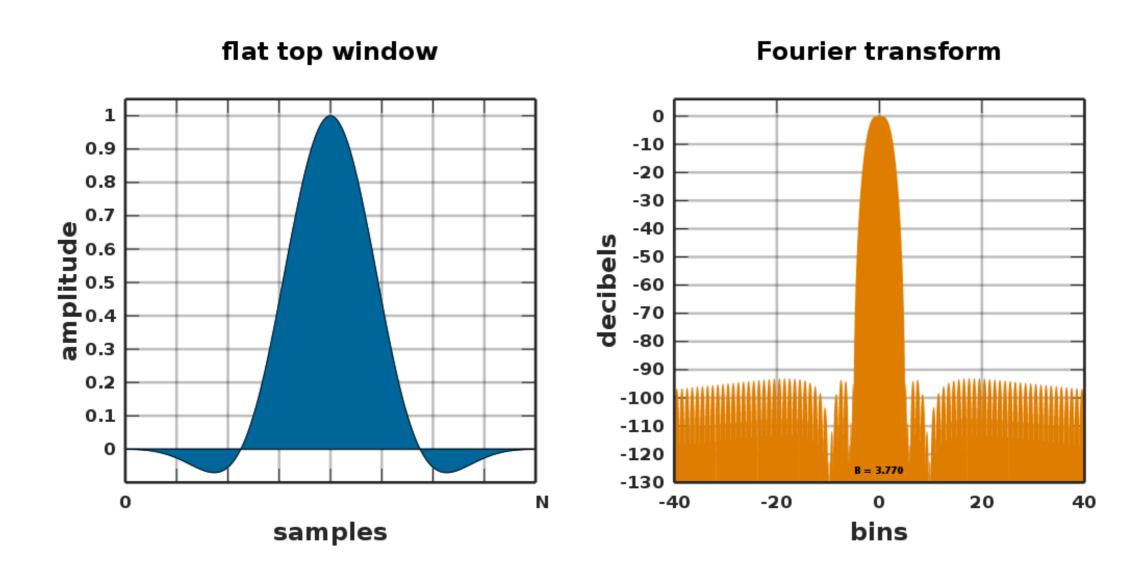
#### **Hann Window**



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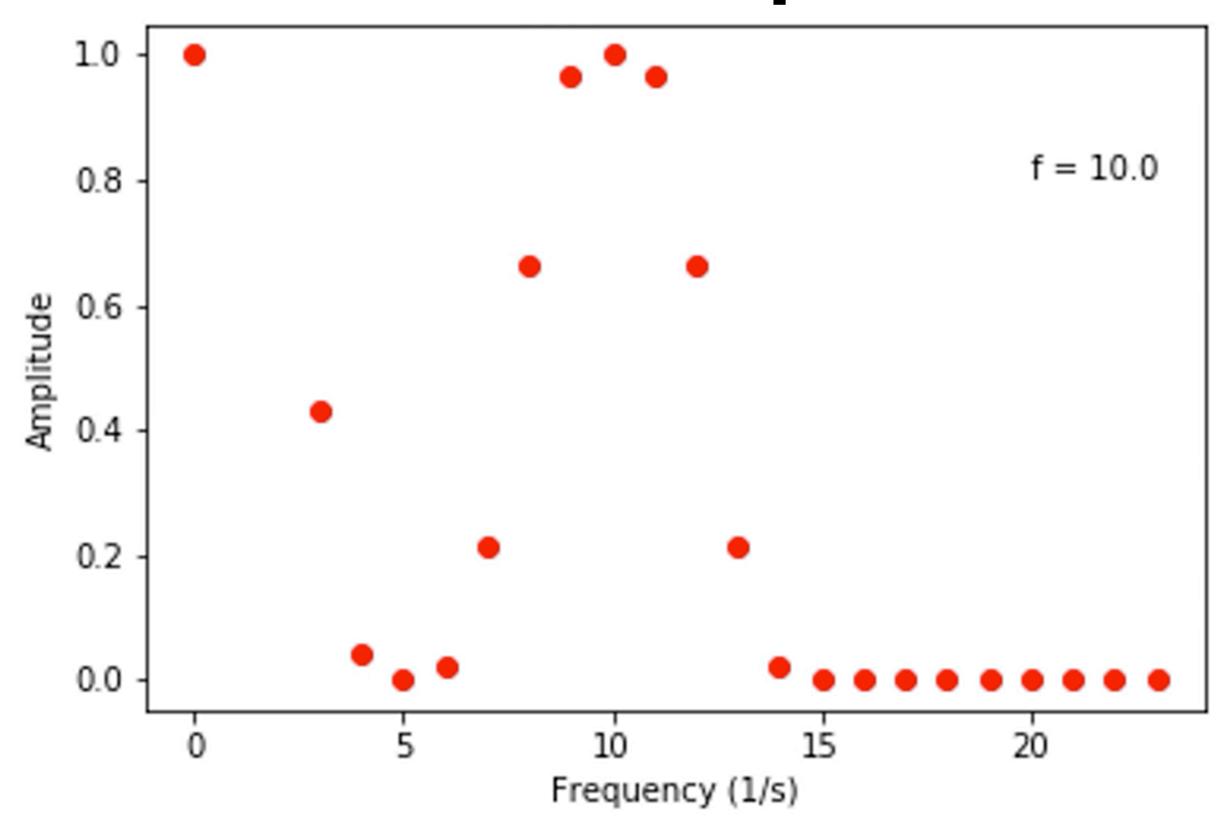
# Window comparisons

### **Flat Top Window**



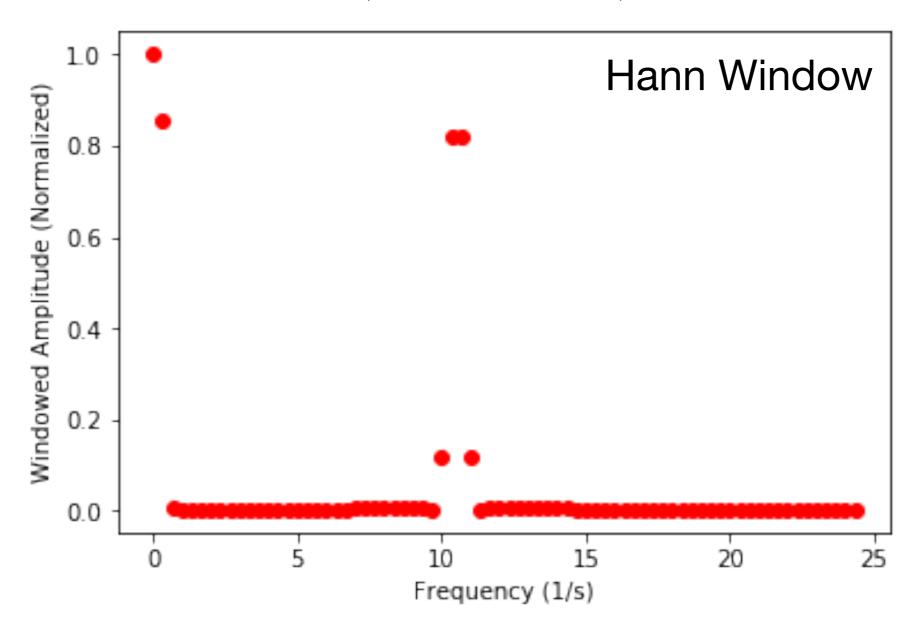
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# Flattop

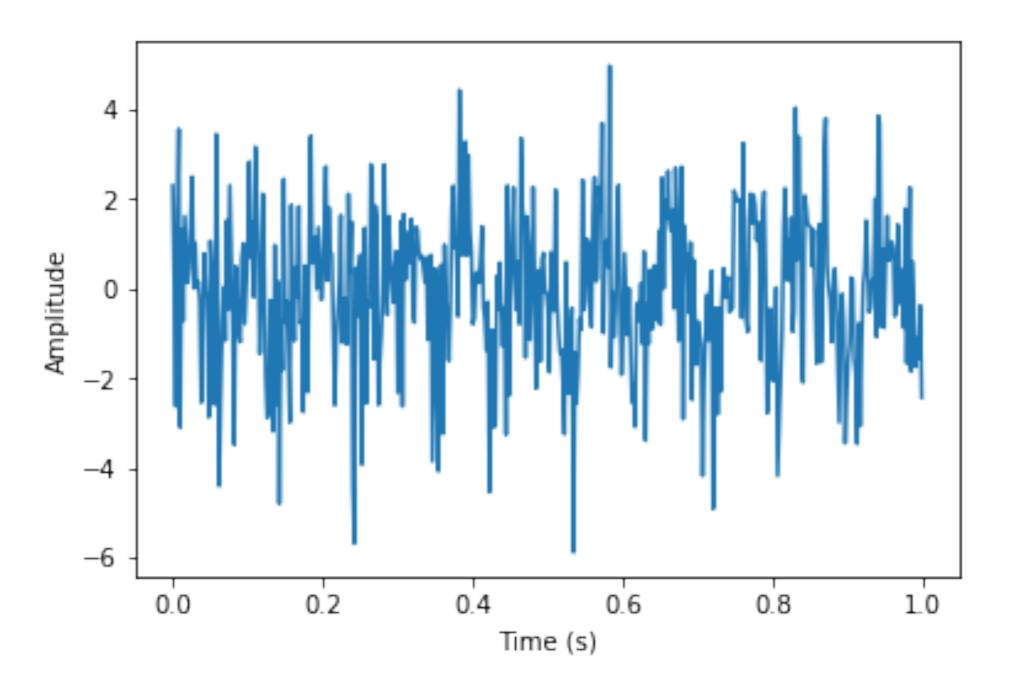


# Freq. Resolution

 $v_s = 50 \text{ Hz}, v_0 = 10.5 \text{ Hz}, T = 3s$ 

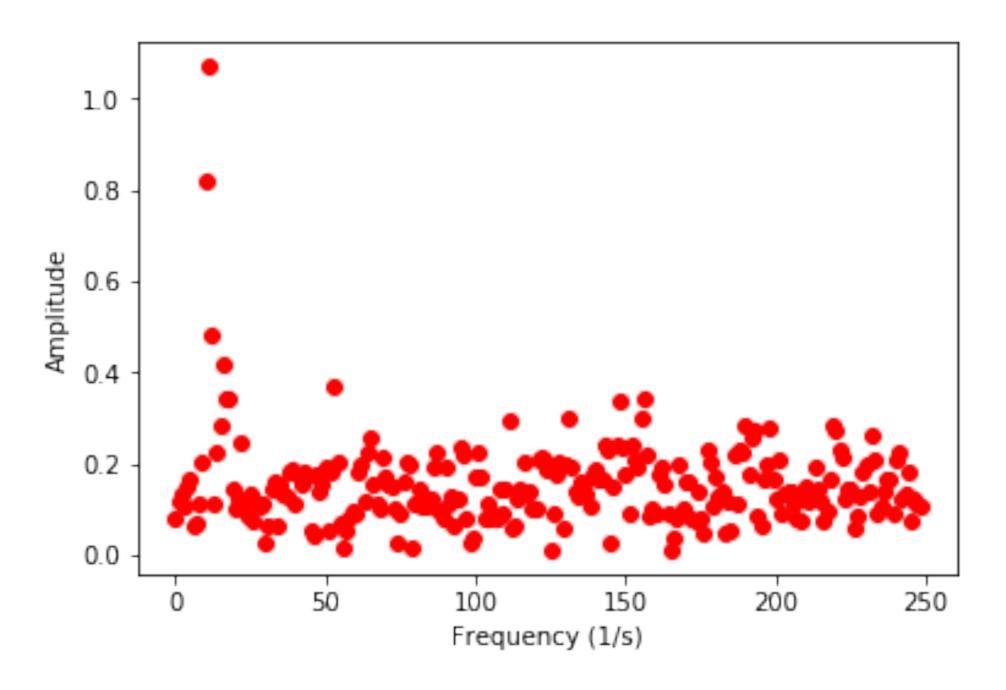


# Noise



Can you find the signal in here?

## Noise



**How about in the Fourier Transform?**