
Chirp

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CHIRP: linear frequency modulated signal

→ MAXIMUM RADAR RANGE

$$R_{\max} = \sqrt[4]{\frac{E_T G^2 \lambda^2 \sigma}{(4\pi)^3 K T_0 F S_a}} \quad \text{Con } E_T = P_p T$$

→ RANGE RESOLUTION

$$R_d = \frac{cT}{2}$$

CHIRP: LINEAR FREQUENCY MODULATION

$$s(t) = e^{j2\pi(f_p t + \frac{B}{T} \frac{t^2}{2})} \underbrace{\text{rect}_T(t)}$$

B chirp bandwidth
T transmitted pulse length
 f_p (residual) carrier frequency

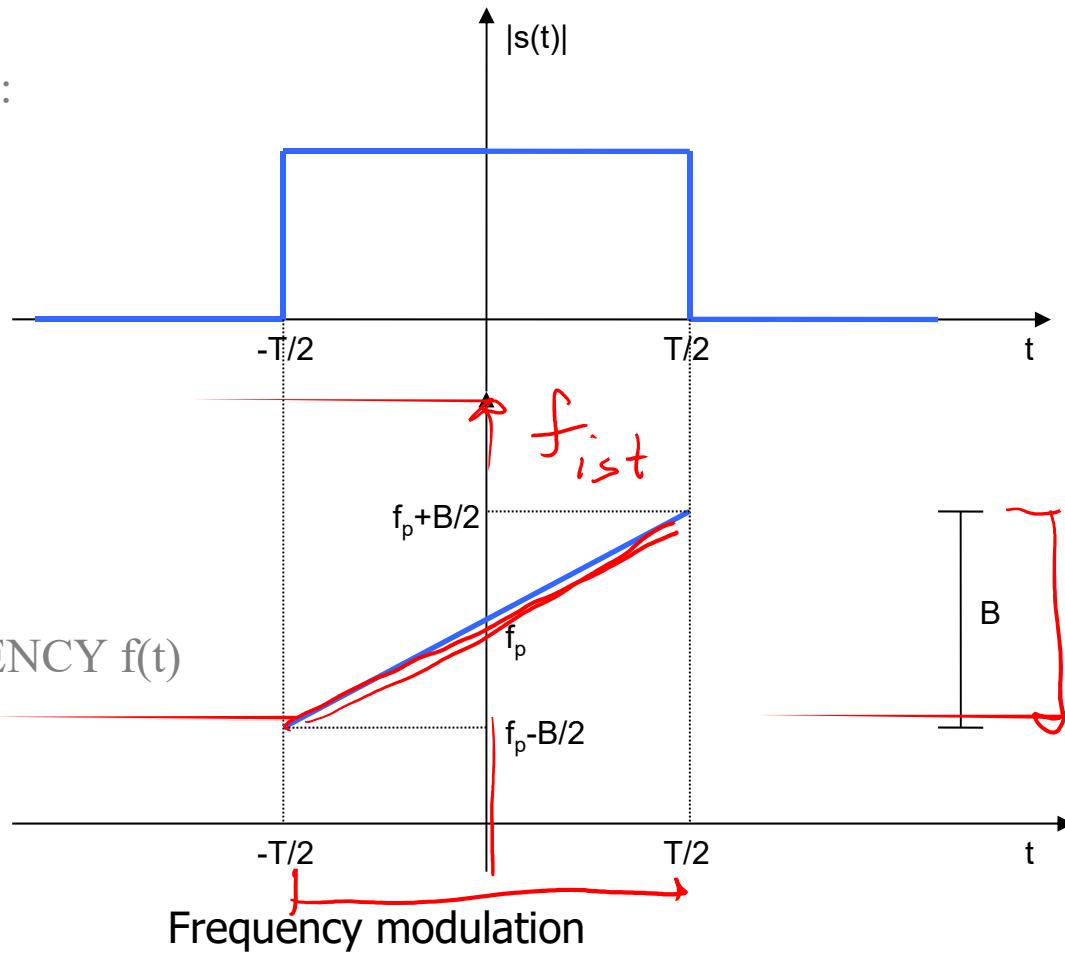
- CHIRP (long pulse with phase coding): has the power properties of the long pulse and the resolution properties of the short pulse.
- Phase coding → waveform compression by means of matched filtering

CHIRP: Time domain waveform (I)

$$s(t) = e^{j2\pi(f_p t + \frac{B}{T} \cdot \frac{t^2}{2})} \text{rect}_T(t)$$

- CHIRP MODULUS DEL $|s(t)|$:

$$|s(t)| = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{Per } |t| \leq T/2 \\ 0 & \text{Per } |t| \geq T/2 \end{cases}$$



- CHIRP PHASE $\Phi(t)$

$$\Phi(t) = 2\pi(f_p t + \frac{B}{T} \cdot \frac{t^2}{2})$$

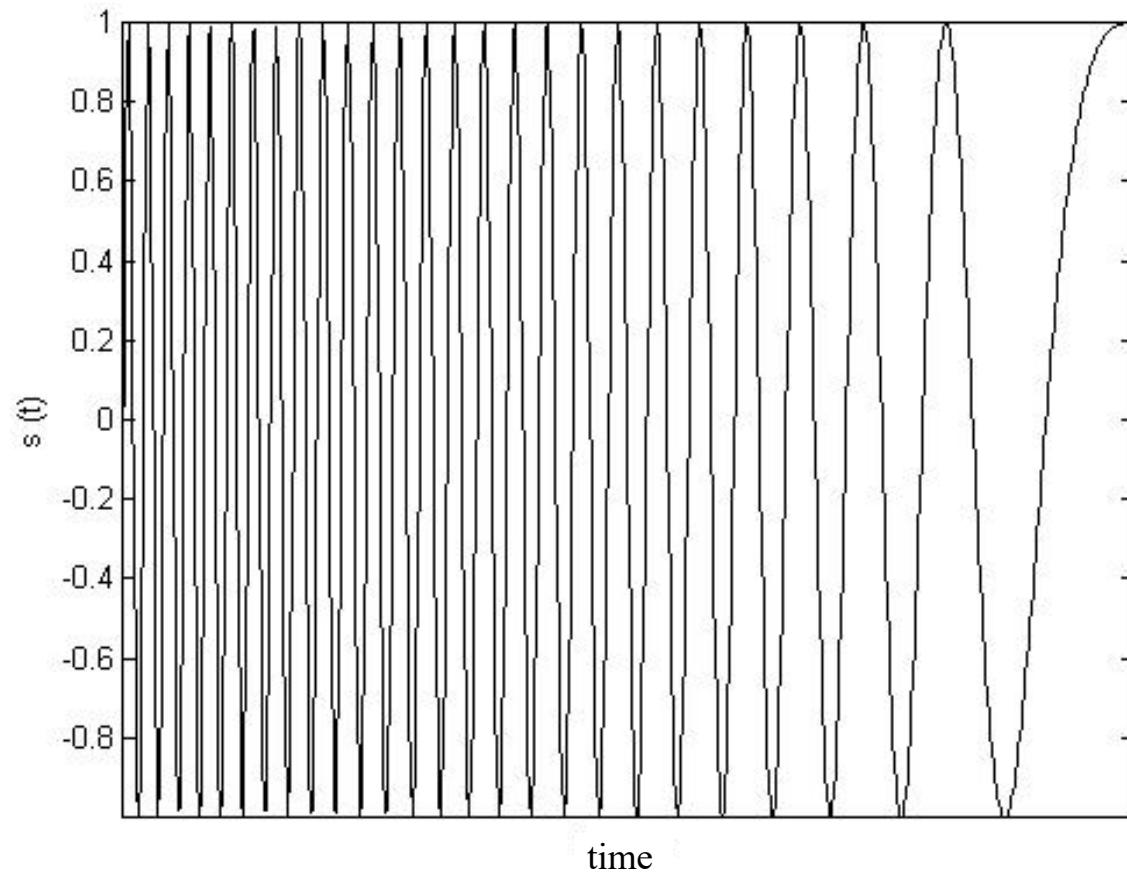
- INSTANTANEOUS FREQUENCY $f(t)$

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{d\Phi(t)}{dt} = f_p + \frac{B}{T} t$$

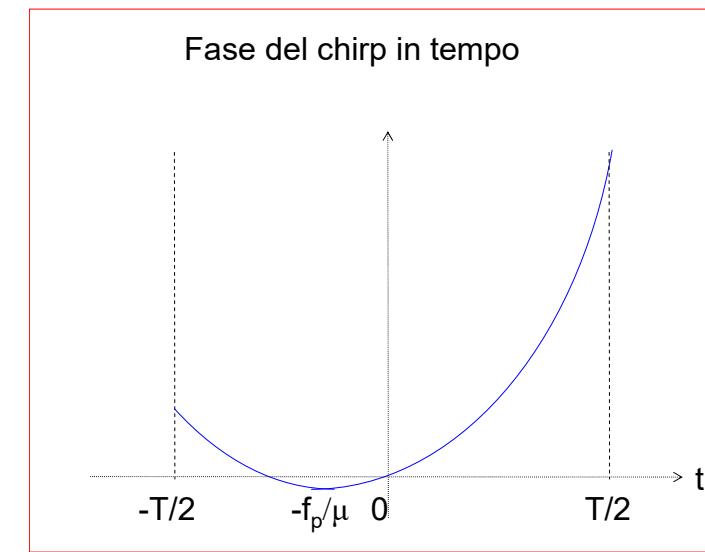
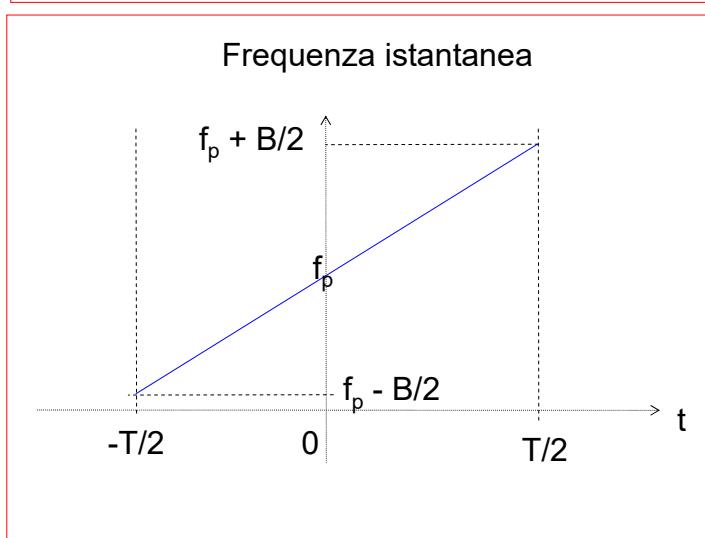
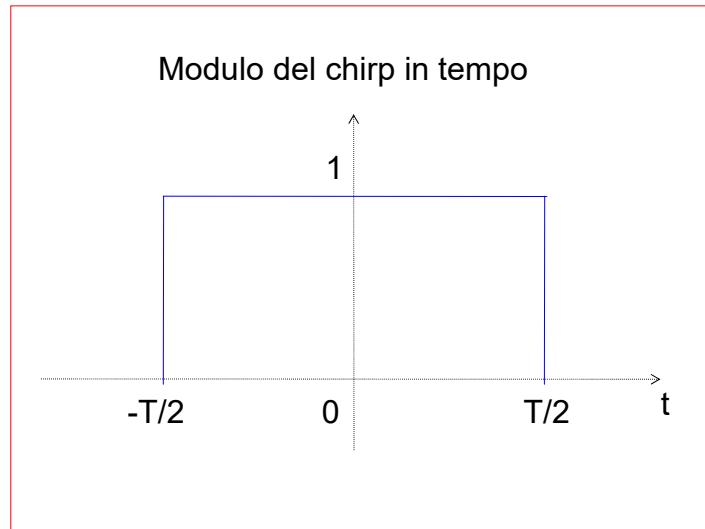
$$f(-T/2) = f_p - B/2$$

$$f(T/2) = f_p + B/2$$

CHIRP: Time domain waveform (II)



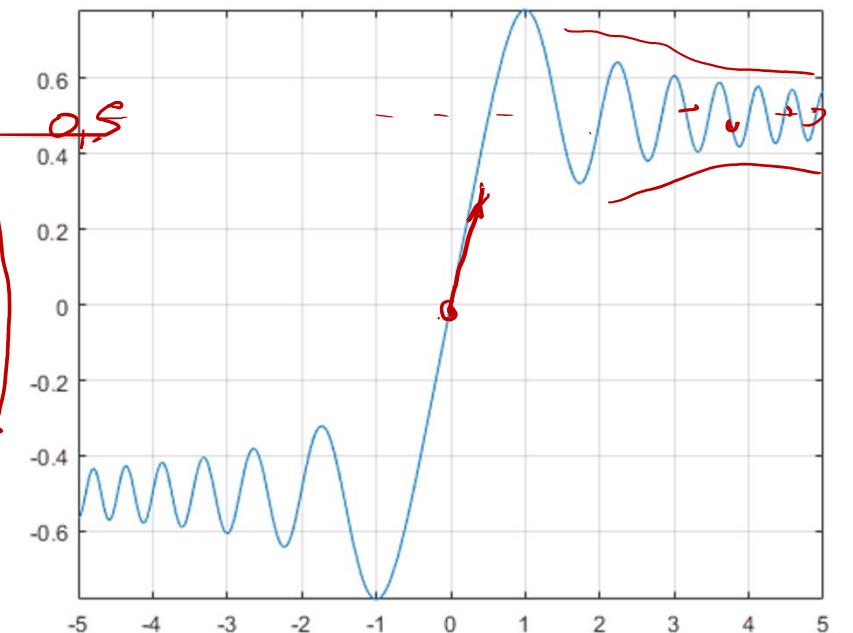
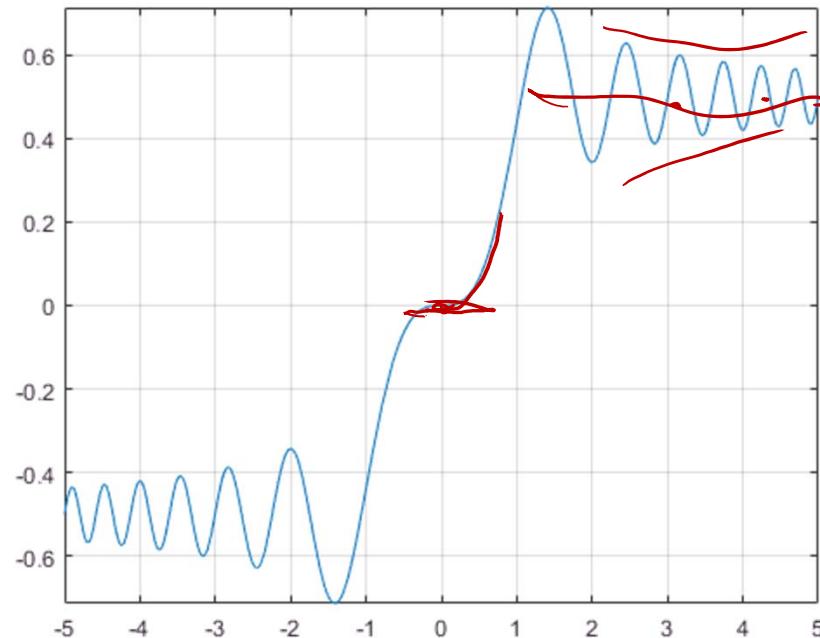
CHIRP: Time domain waveform (III)



Funzioni Coseno e Seno Integrale

$$C(z) = \text{fresnelc}(z) = \int_0^z \cos\left(\frac{\pi t^2}{2}\right) dt$$

* $\int_0^z e^{j \frac{\pi t^2}{2}} dt = C(z) + j S(z)$



$$S(z) = \text{fresnels}(z) = \int_0^z \sin\left(\frac{\pi t^2}{2}\right) dt$$

Spettro del Chirp

$$\rightarrow S(f) = e^{j\pi \frac{B}{c} t^2} \text{rect}_T(t)$$

$$S(f) = \int_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} e^{j\pi \frac{B}{c} t^2} e^{-j2\pi f t} dt =$$

$$c = T$$

$$f_{ist} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cancel{\pi} \frac{B}{c} \cancel{dt}$$

$$\cancel{\pi} \frac{B}{c} t^2 - 2\pi f t =$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} \left(\frac{2B}{c} t^2 - 4ft \right) =$$

$$2\pi \left(\frac{B}{c} t \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} \left(\frac{2B}{c} t^2 - \frac{4f}{\sqrt{2B/c}} t \right)^2 - \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{4f^2}{\sqrt{2B/c}}$$

$$S(f) = e^{-j\pi \frac{2}{B} f^2} \cdot \int_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} e^{j\pi \frac{2}{B} t^2} \left(\frac{2B}{c} t - \frac{4f}{\sqrt{2B/c}} t \right)^2 dt$$

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{2B}{c}} t - \frac{2f}{\sqrt{2B/c}}$$

$$S(f) = e^{-j\pi\frac{c}{B}f^2} \int_{-\sqrt{\frac{2B}{c}}}^{\sqrt{\frac{2B}{c}}} e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}x^2} dx$$

\downarrow

$$dx = \sqrt{\frac{2B}{c}} dt$$

$$\sqrt{2Bc} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{f}{B} \right) = x_2$$

$$-\sqrt{2Bc} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{f}{B} \right) = -x_1$$

\downarrow

$$\int_{-x_1}^{x_2} e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}x^2} dx = \int_0^0 e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}x^2} dx + \int_0^{x_2} e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}x^2} dx =$$

$$-x_1 - x_1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= - \int_0^{x_1} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}x^2} dx + \int_0^{x_2} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}x^2} dx = \\
 &\approx -C(-x_1) - jS(-x_1) + C(x_2) + jS(x_2) = \\
 &\quad \downarrow \\
 &\approx C(x_1) + jS(x_1) + C(x_2) + jS(x_2) = \\
 &\approx C(x_1) + C(x_2) + j \overline{[S(x_1) + S(x_2)]}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$S(f) = e^{-j\pi \frac{c}{B} f^2} \sqrt{\frac{c}{2B}} \cdot \left\{ C(x_1) + C(x_2) + j [S(x_1) + S(x_2)] \right\}$$

$$|S(f)|^2 = \frac{c}{2B} \cdot \left\{ [C(x_1) + C(x_2)]^2 + [S(x_1) + S(x_2)]^2 \right\}$$

$$x_1 = \sqrt{2Bc} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{f}{B} \right)$$

$$x_2 = \sqrt{2Bc} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{f}{B} \right)$$

$$f \rightarrow \infty$$

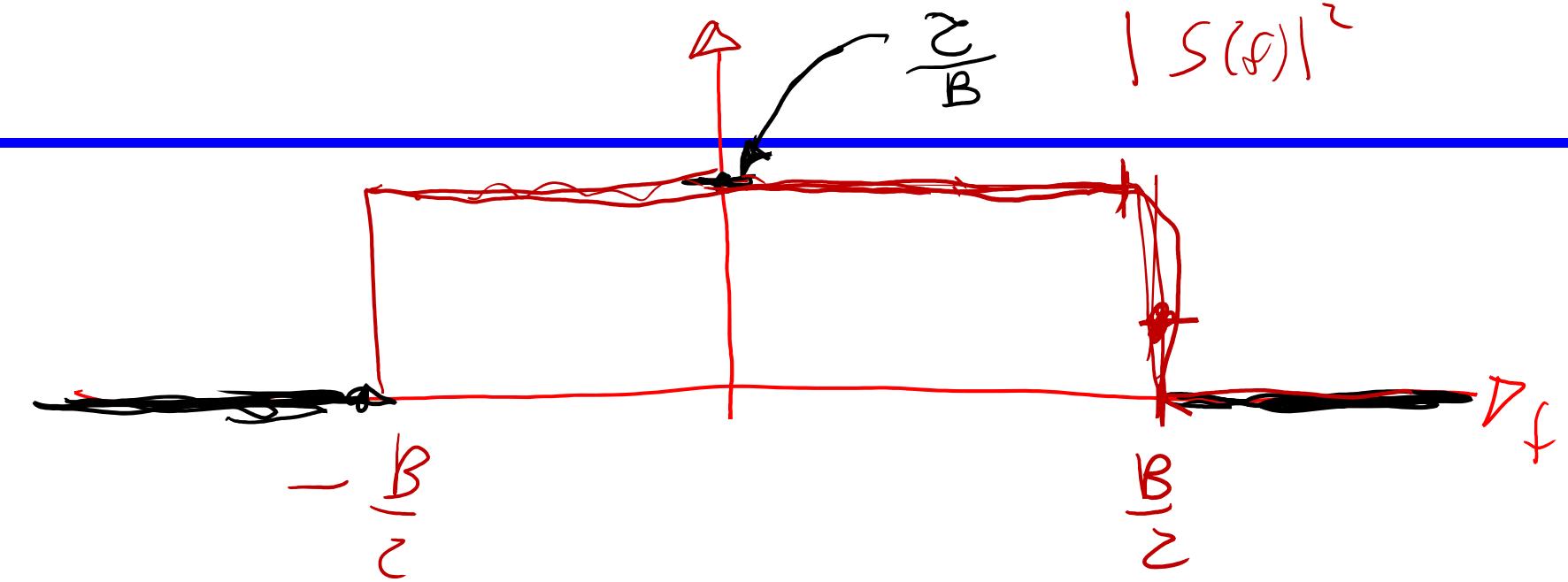
$$x_1 \rightarrow +\infty$$

$$x_2 \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$C(x_1) = \frac{1}{2} = S(x_1)$$

$$C(x_2) = S(x_2) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$|S(f)|^2 \rightarrow \frac{c}{2B} \cdot \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \right\} = 0$$



Se $B\tau \gg 1$

$$X_1 = \sqrt{2B\tau} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{f}{B} \right)$$

$$X_2 = \sqrt{2B\tau} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{f}{B} \right)$$

$$|S(f)|^2 = \frac{\infty}{2B} \cdot \left\{ 4C^2 \left(\sqrt{2B\tau} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \right) + 4S^2 \left(\sqrt{2B\tau} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \right) \right\} =$$

$$\boxed{\approx \frac{\infty}{2B} \cdot 2 = \frac{\infty}{B}}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}$$

↑
Se $B\tau \gg 1$

$$f = 0$$
$$X_1 = \sqrt{2B\tau} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$
$$X_2 = \sqrt{2B\tau} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\{ \} = 2$$

$$f > \phi$$

$$x_1 = \sqrt{2Bc} \left(\frac{1}{z} + \frac{f}{B} \right) > 0 \quad \text{se } BC \gg 1 \text{ anche}$$

$$x_1 \gg 1$$

$$C(x_1) \Rightarrow S(x_1) \rightarrow \frac{1}{z}$$

$$x_2 = \sqrt{2Bc} \left(\frac{1}{z} - \frac{f}{B} \right)$$

$$> 0 \quad \text{se } \boxed{f < \frac{B}{z}}$$

\Downarrow se $BC \gg 1$

$$x_2 \gg 1$$

$$C(x_2) \rightarrow \frac{1}{z}$$

$$S(x_2) \rightarrow -\frac{1}{z}$$

$$< 0 \quad \text{se } f > \frac{B}{z} \quad \text{e } BC \gg 1$$

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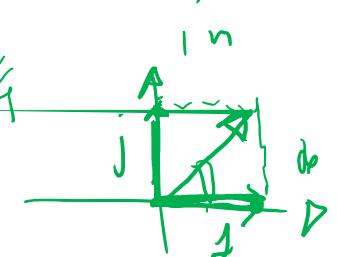
$$f = \frac{B}{z} \quad X_z = 0 \quad C(X_z) = S(X_z) = 0$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{2B} \cdot \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^2 \right\} = -\frac{\epsilon}{4B}$$

$$B \ll 1$$

$$S(f) \approx e^{-j\pi \frac{c}{B} f^2} \sqrt{\frac{c}{2B}} (1+j) \text{Rect}_B(f)$$

$$S(f) \approx e^{j\frac{\pi}{4}} e^{-j\pi \frac{c}{B} f^2} \sqrt{\frac{c}{B}} \text{rect}_B(f)$$



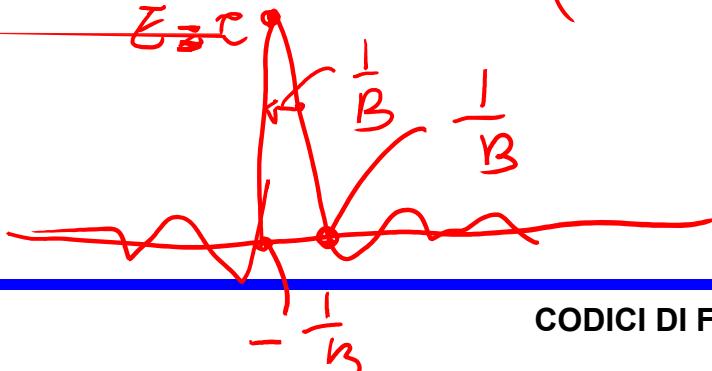
Usando appross

Autocorrelaz del chip?

$$R_{ss}(t) = \tilde{F}^{-1} \left\{ |S(f)|^2 \right\}$$

$$R_{ss}(t) = \tilde{F}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{C}{B} \text{rect}_B(f) \right\} =$$

$$= \frac{C}{B} \text{sinc}(\pi B t) = C \text{sinc}(\pi B t)$$



CHIRP: Frequency domain waveform (I)

Fourier Transform of the chirp signal:

$$S(f) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\mu}} \{ [C(X_1) + C(X_2)] + j[S(X_1) + S(X_2)] \} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{\mu} f^2} = |S(f)| e^{j\Phi(f)}$$

✓ The compression factor BT determines the frequency domain characteristics of the chirp waveform

$$\mu \approx \frac{B}{c}$$

C(X) Fresnel cosine

S(X) Fresnel sine

$$X_1 = \sqrt{2BT} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{f}{B} \right)$$

$$X_2 = \sqrt{2BT} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{f}{B} \right)$$

AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM

$$|S(f)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\mu}} \sqrt{[C(X_1) + C(X_2)]^2 + [S(X_1) + S(X_2)]^2}$$

For high BT values (BT>100)

$$|S(f)| \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\mu}} \sqrt{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu}} = \sqrt{\frac{T}{B}}$$

$|f| \leq B/2$

PHASE SPECTRUM

$$\Phi(f) = -\frac{\pi}{\mu} f^2 + \operatorname{atg} \left[\frac{S(X_1) + S(X_2)}{C(X_1) + C(X_2)} \right]$$

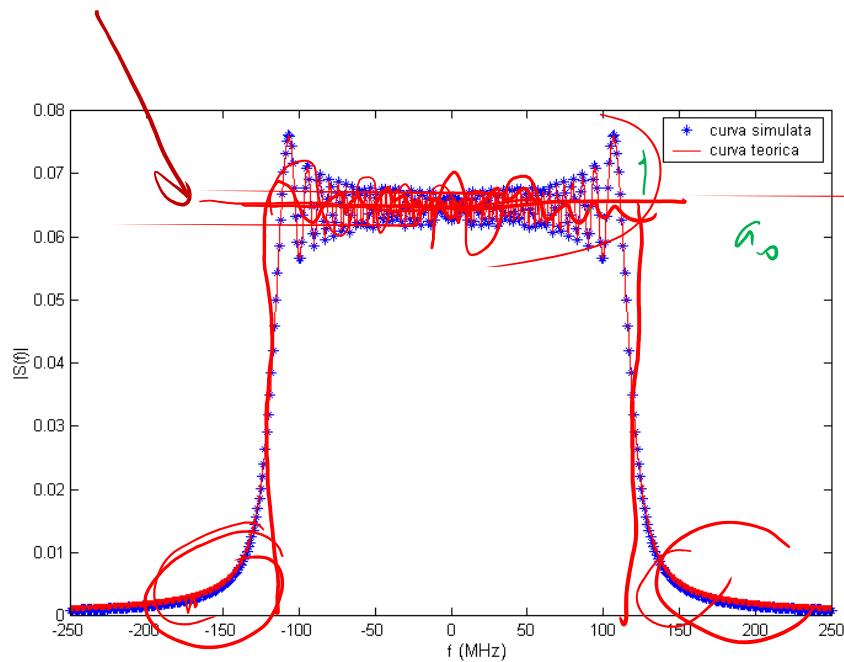
For high BT values (BT>100)

$$\Phi(f) \approx -\frac{\pi}{\mu} f^2 + \frac{\pi}{4}$$

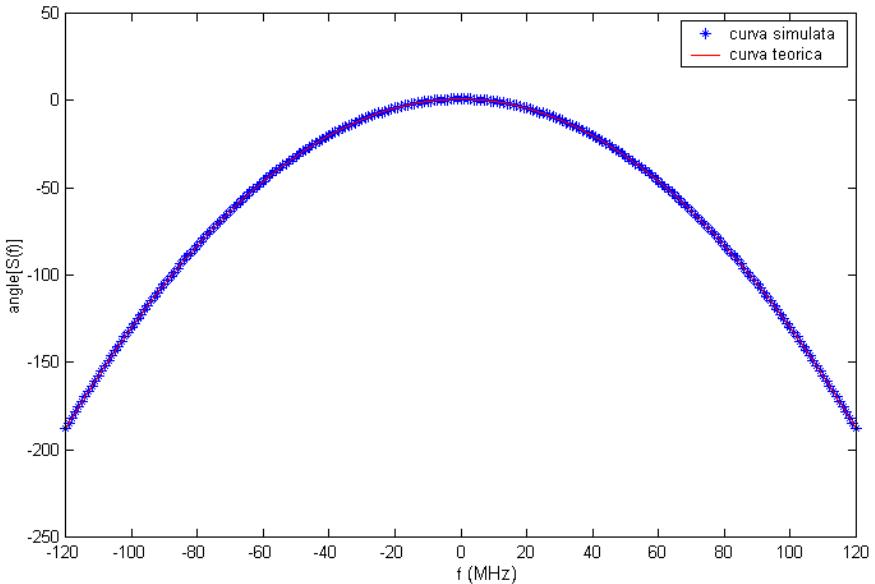
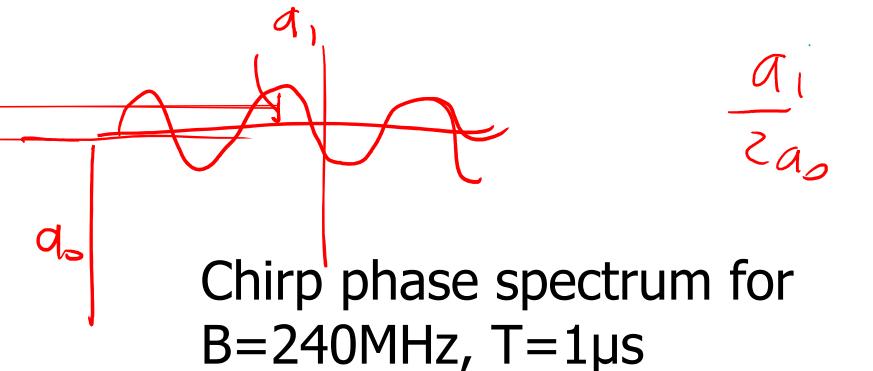
$|f| \leq B/2$

$$S(f) = \sqrt{\frac{T}{B}} e^{-j\left[\frac{\pi T}{B} f^2 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right]} \operatorname{rect}_{B/2}(f)$$

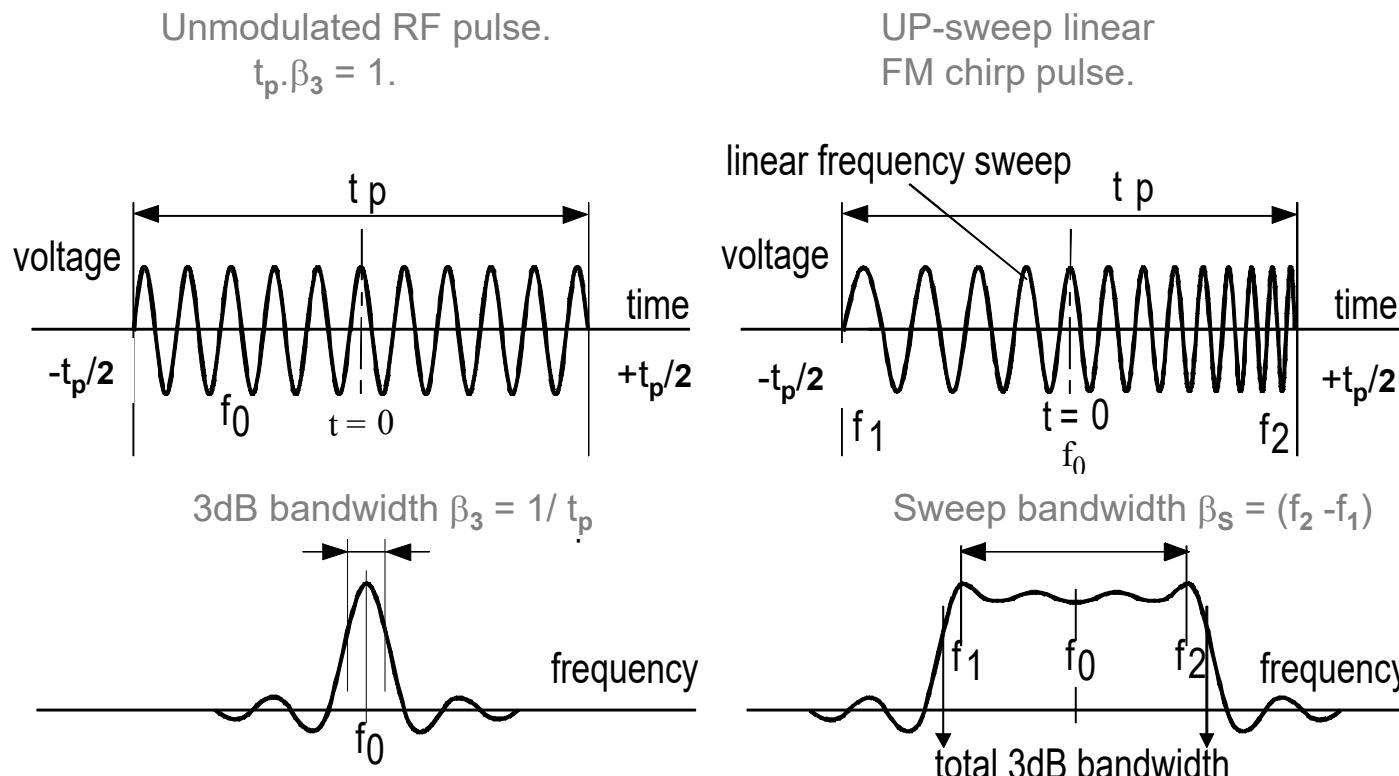
CHIRP: Frequency domain waveform (II)



Chirp amplitude spectrum for
B=240MHz, T=1μs



CHIRP: Frequency domain waveform (III)



Autocorrelazione del chirp (I)

$$K \tau_p = B$$

Funzione di Ambiguità: Chirp con inviluppo rettangolare

$$|\chi(\tau, 0)| = \left| \left(1 - \frac{|\tau|}{\tau_p}\right) \sin c \left[\pi k \tau \tau_p \left(1 - \frac{|\tau|}{\tau_p}\right) \right] \right|, \quad |\tau| \leq \tau_p$$

Primo nullo

$$\pi k \tau \tau_p \left(1 - \frac{|\tau|}{\tau_p}\right) = \pi$$

$$\tau \tau_p - \tau^2 = \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\tau^2 - \tau \tau_p + \frac{1}{k} = 0$$

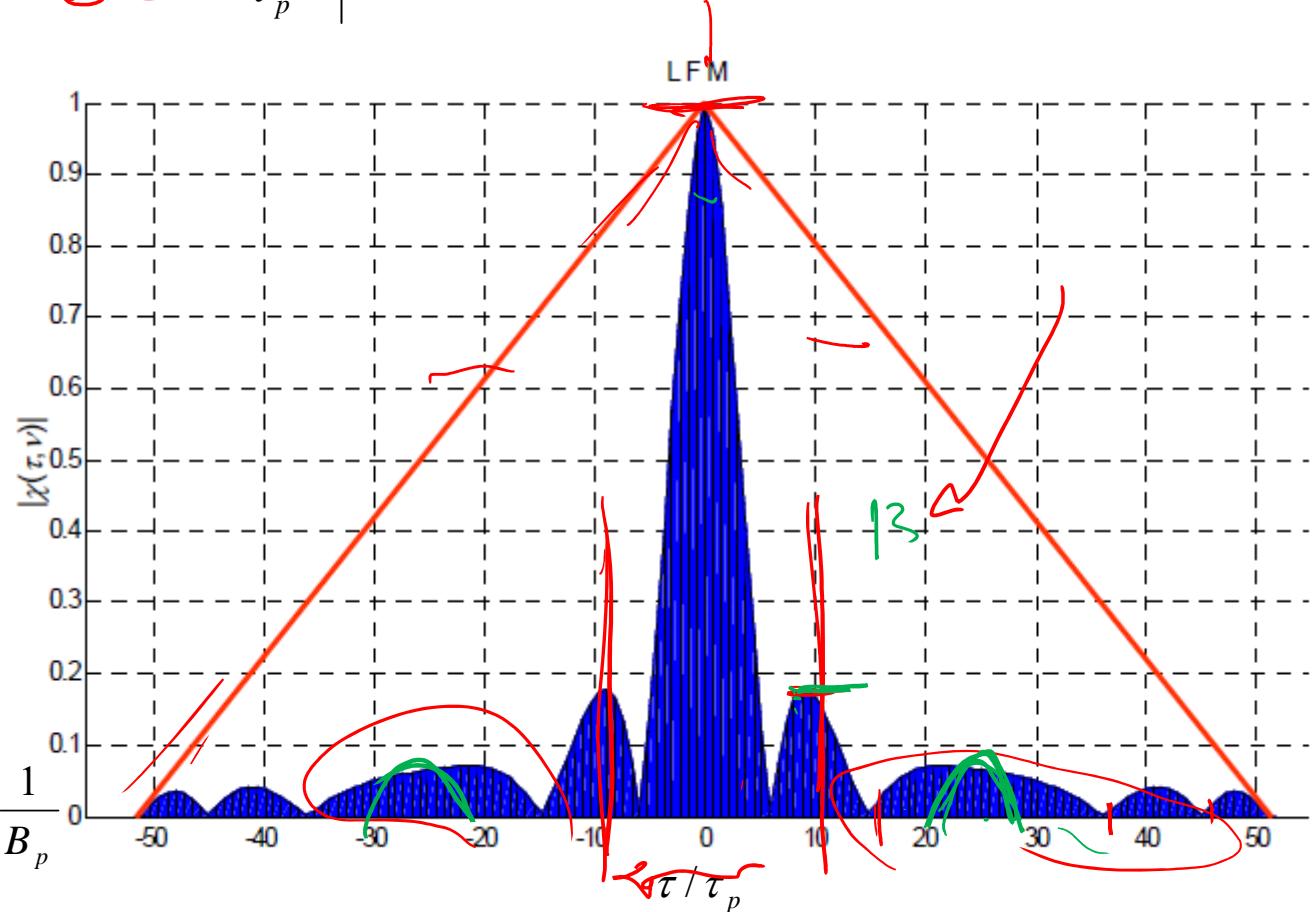
$$\tau = \frac{\tau_p}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{\tau_p^2}{4} - \frac{1}{k}} =$$

$$= \frac{\tau_p}{2} - \frac{\tau_p}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{k \tau_p^2}} =$$

$$\approx \frac{\tau_p}{2} - \frac{\tau_p}{2} \left(1 - \frac{2}{k \tau_p^2}\right) = \frac{1}{k \tau_p} = \frac{1}{B_p}$$

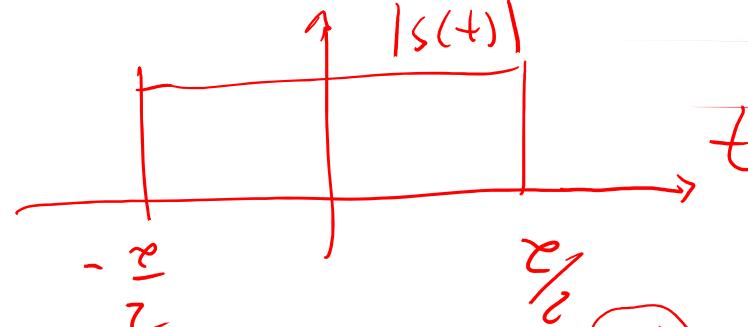
Radiotecnica e Radiolocalizz:

$$s_0(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau_p}} \text{rect}_{\tau_p}(t) e^{j\pi k t^2}$$



$$|t+\alpha| < \frac{c}{2}$$

$$s(t) = e^{j\pi \frac{B}{c} t^2} \text{rect}_c(t)$$



$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{c}{2} &< t+\alpha < \frac{c}{2} \\ -\frac{c}{2}-\alpha &< t < \frac{c}{2}-\alpha \\ c > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_s(\alpha) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(t) s(t+\alpha) dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j\pi \frac{B}{c} t^2} e^{-j\pi \frac{B}{c} (t+\alpha)^2} dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha t} dt \end{aligned}$$

Radiotecnica e Radiolocalizzazione

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_s(\alpha) &= e^{j\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{c}{2}-\alpha} e^{j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha t} dt = \\
 &= e^{j\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha^2} \left[\frac{e^{j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha t}}{j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha} \right]_{-\infty}^{\frac{c}{2}-\alpha} = \\
 &= e^{j\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha^2} \frac{e^{j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha \frac{c}{2}} - e^{-j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha^2}}{j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha} = \\
 &= \boxed{e^{j\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha^2} \frac{e^{j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha \frac{c}{2}} - e^{-j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha^2}}{j2\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\gamma > 10$

$$R_s(\alpha) = \frac{\sin \left[\pi B\alpha - \pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha^2 \right]}{\pi \frac{B}{c} \alpha} :$$

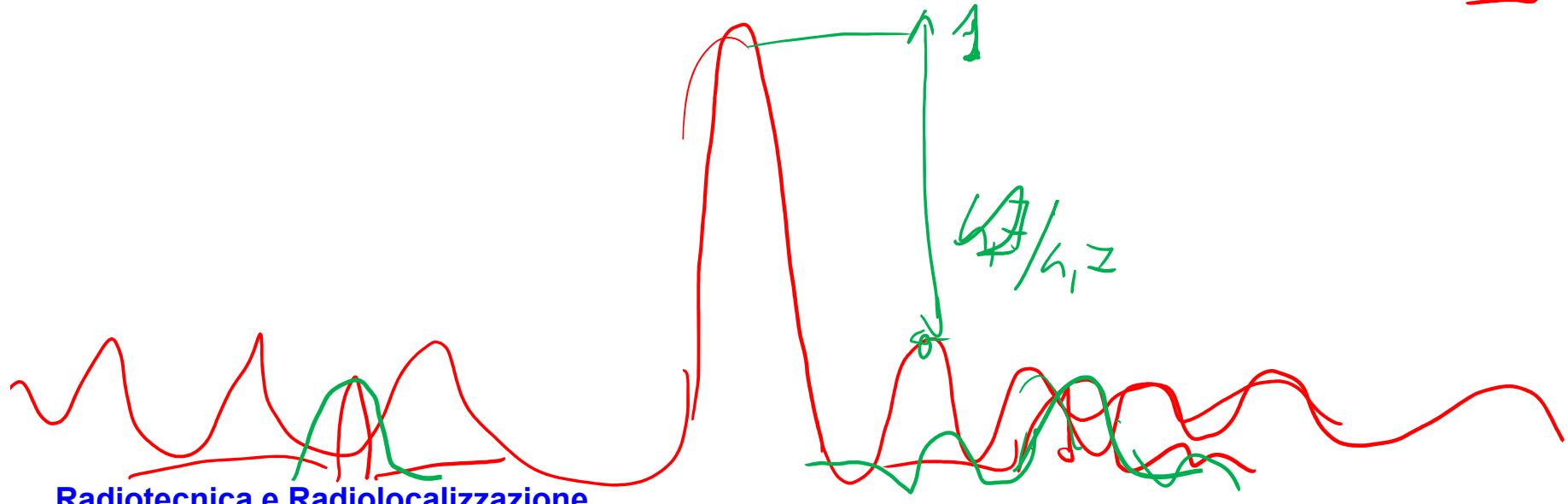
$$= \cancel{\alpha} \frac{\sin \left[\pi B\alpha \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{c} \right) \right]}{\pi B \alpha} :$$

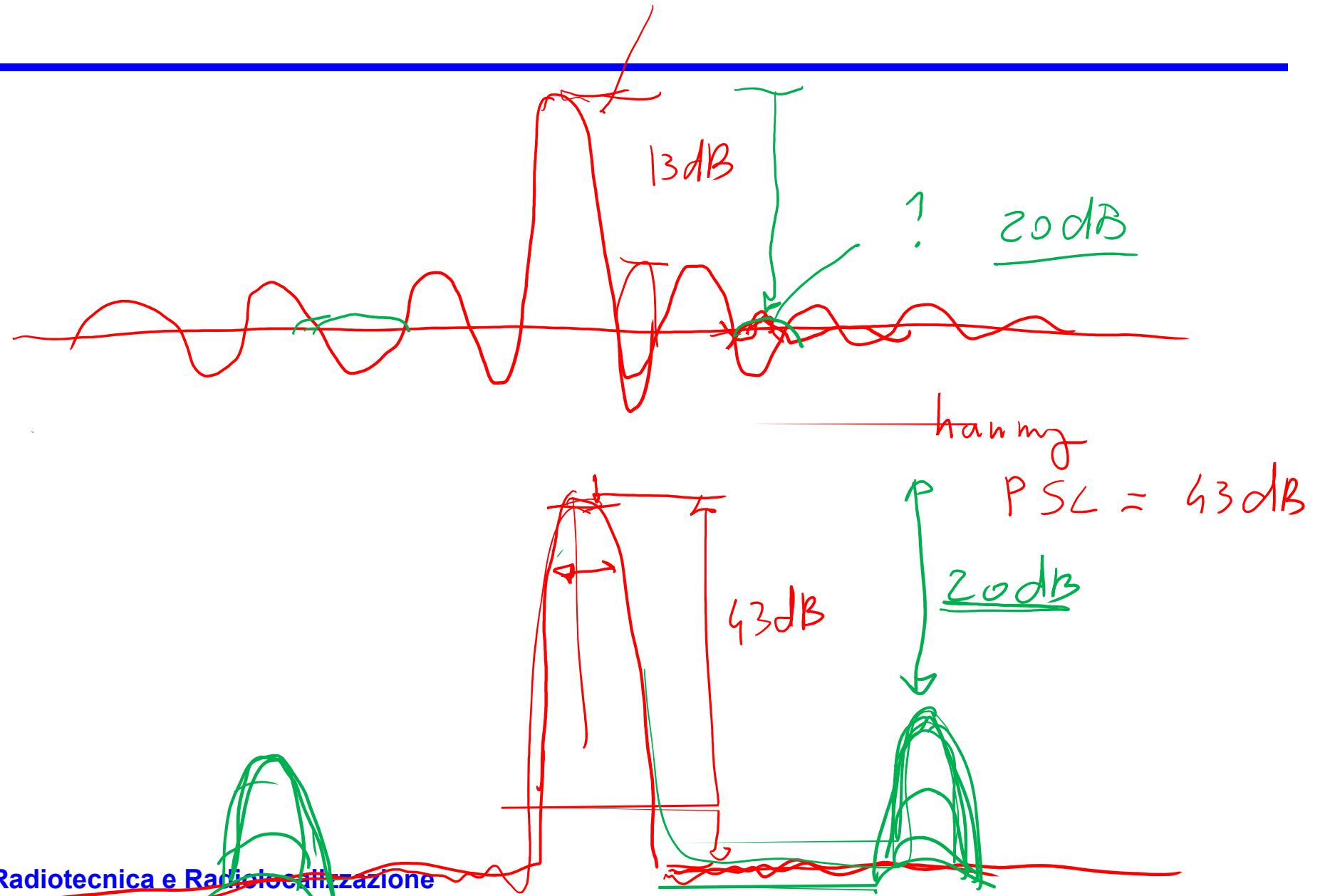
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$$= \gamma \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{c} \right) \underbrace{\text{sinc} \left[\pi B \alpha \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{c} \right) \right]}_{\text{Vich ad } \alpha=0} \text{ si discosta per } \frac{|\alpha|}{c} \text{ Plan trasp.}$$

$$R_s(\alpha) \approx c \frac{\sin [\pi B \alpha (1 - \frac{|\alpha|}{c})]}{\pi B \alpha}$$

$$R_s(\alpha) = c \left(1 - \frac{|\alpha|}{c}\right) \text{sinc} \left[\pi B \alpha \left(1 - \frac{|\alpha|}{c}\right)\right]$$





Funzione di autocorrelazione del chirp (III)

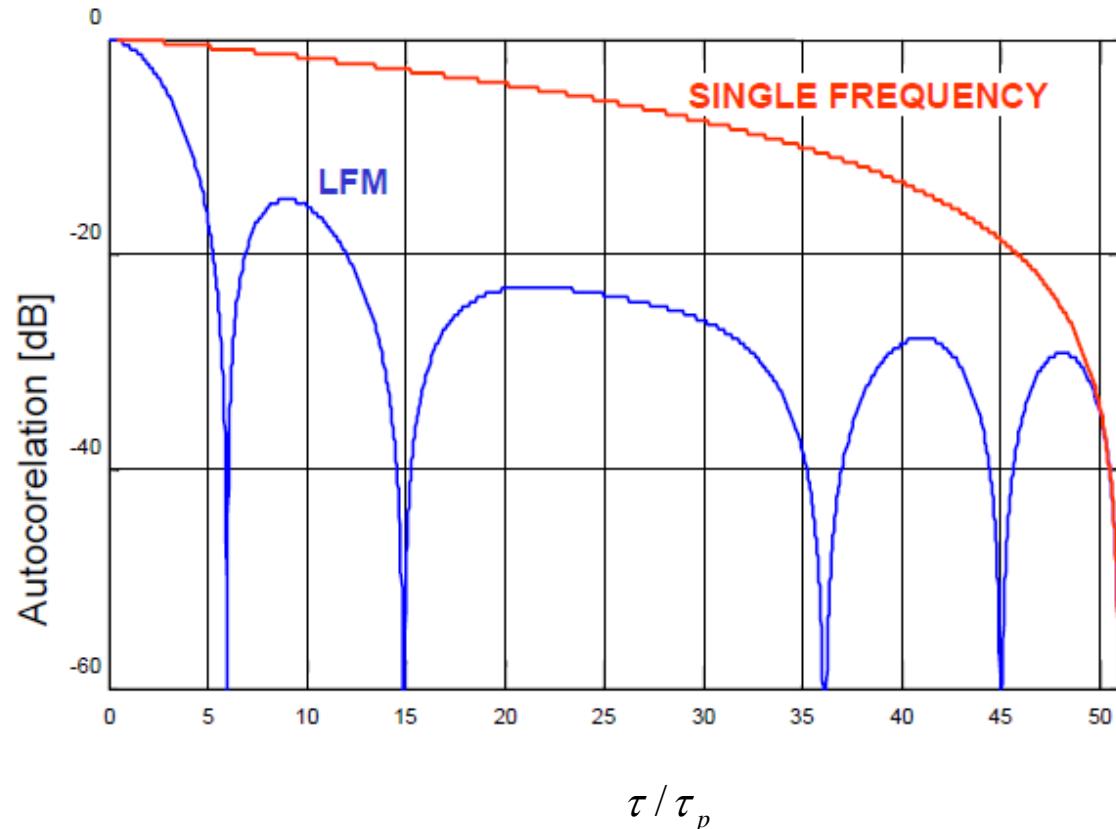
Funzione di Ambiguità: Chirp con inviluppo rettangolare

$$|\chi(\tau, 0)| = \left| \left(1 - \frac{|\tau|}{\tau_p}\right) \sin c \left[\pi k \tau \tau_p \left(1 - \frac{|\tau|}{\tau_p}\right) \right] \right|, \quad |\tau| \leq \tau_p$$

$$s_0(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau_p}} \text{rect}_{\tau_p}(t) e^{j\pi k t^2}$$

Rapporto di compressione

$$\frac{\tau_p}{1} = k \quad \tau_p^2 = B_p \tau_p$$



Radiotecnica e Radiolocalizzazione

Chirp approximation and sidelobes (I)

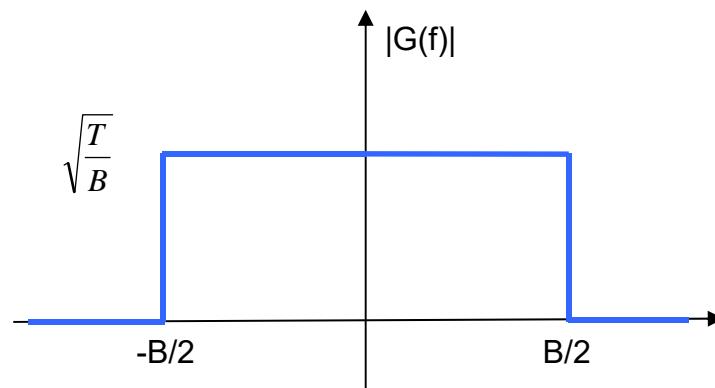
- Chirp autocorrelation
(matched filter output)

$$g(t) = \sqrt{\frac{B}{T}} \frac{\sin\left[\pi \frac{B}{T} (T - |t|)t\right]}{\pi \frac{B}{T} t}$$

- approximated with

$$g(t) \approx \sqrt{\frac{B}{T}} \frac{\sin[\pi B t]}{\pi \frac{B}{T} t} = \sqrt{BT} \sin c [\pi B t]$$

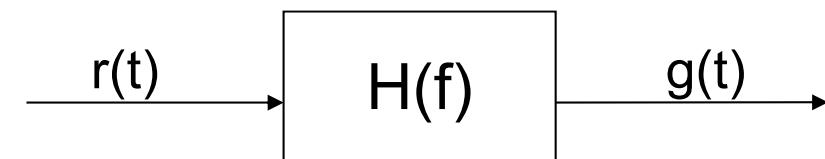
which is the Inverse Fourier Transform of
a rectangle in the frequency domain



$$G(f) = \sqrt{\frac{T}{B}} \text{rect}_B(f)$$

Pulse compression technique (I)

- Matched Filter



$$r(t) = e^{j2\pi \left(f_p t + \frac{B}{T} \cdot \frac{t^2}{2} \right)} \text{rect}_T(t)$$

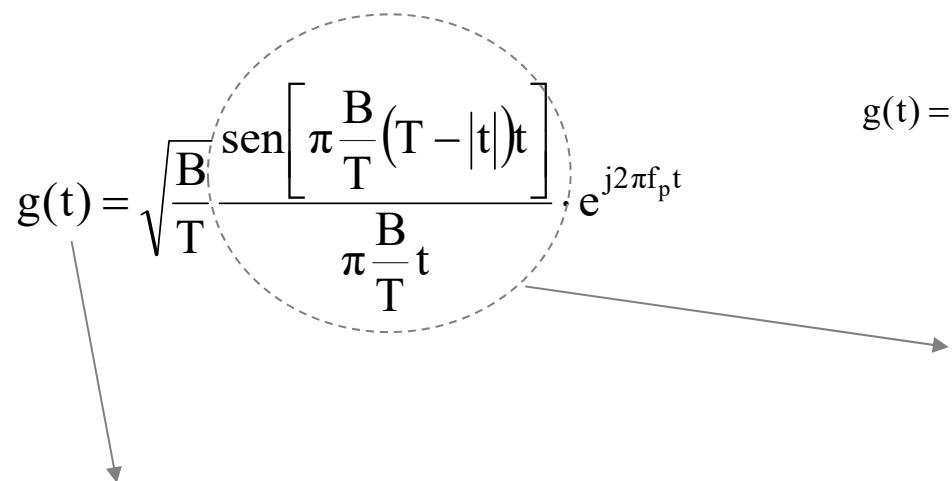
Received signal

$$h(t) = \sqrt{\frac{B}{T}} e^{-j2\pi \left(-f_p t + \frac{B}{T} \cdot \frac{t^2}{2} \right)} \text{rect}_T(t)$$

matched filter
impulse response

$$g(t) = r(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau) h(t - \tau) d\tau$$

matched filter
output

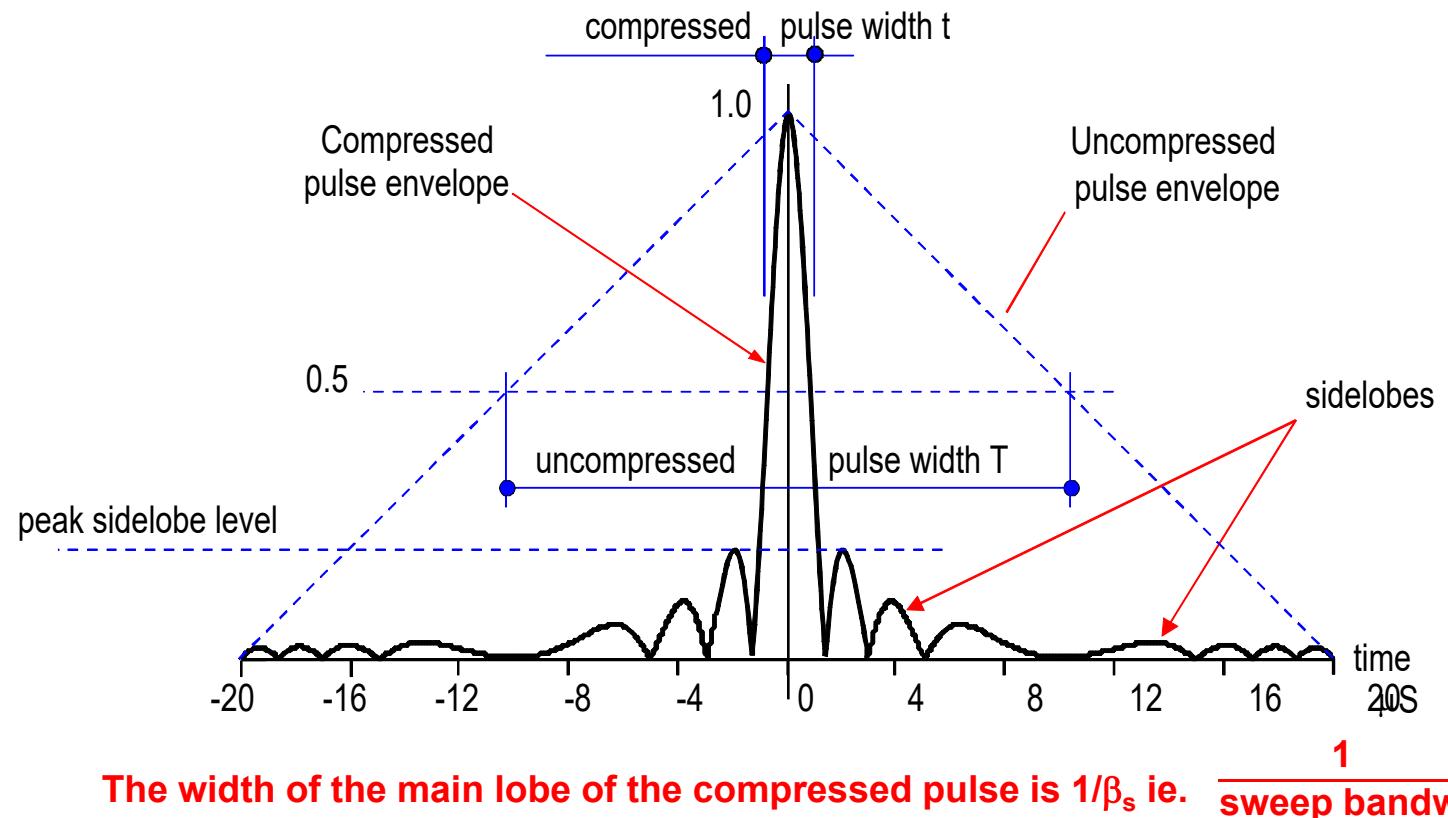


sin x/x signal envelope:
with -4dB aperture $= 1/B$.

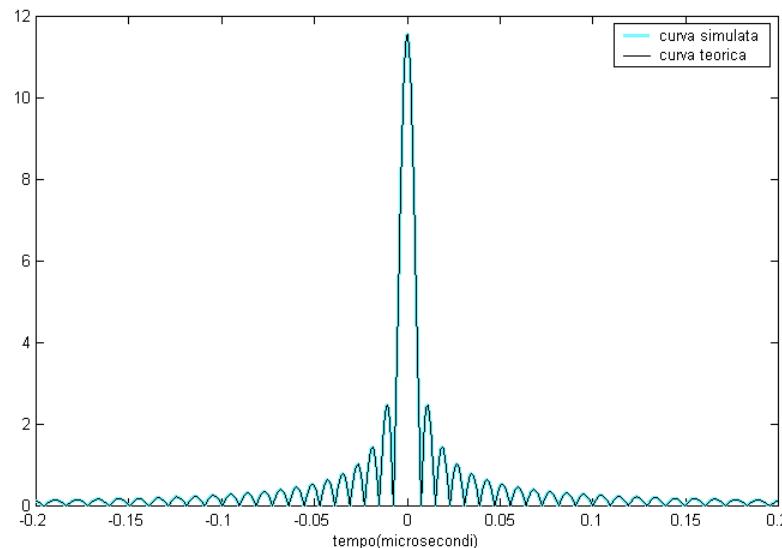
- ✓ $g(t)$ autocorrelation of the input signal ($f_d=0$).
- ✓ for $f_d \neq 0$ mismatched filter

The pulse has been compressed to:
 $\tau_c = 1/B < T$

Pulse compression technique (II)

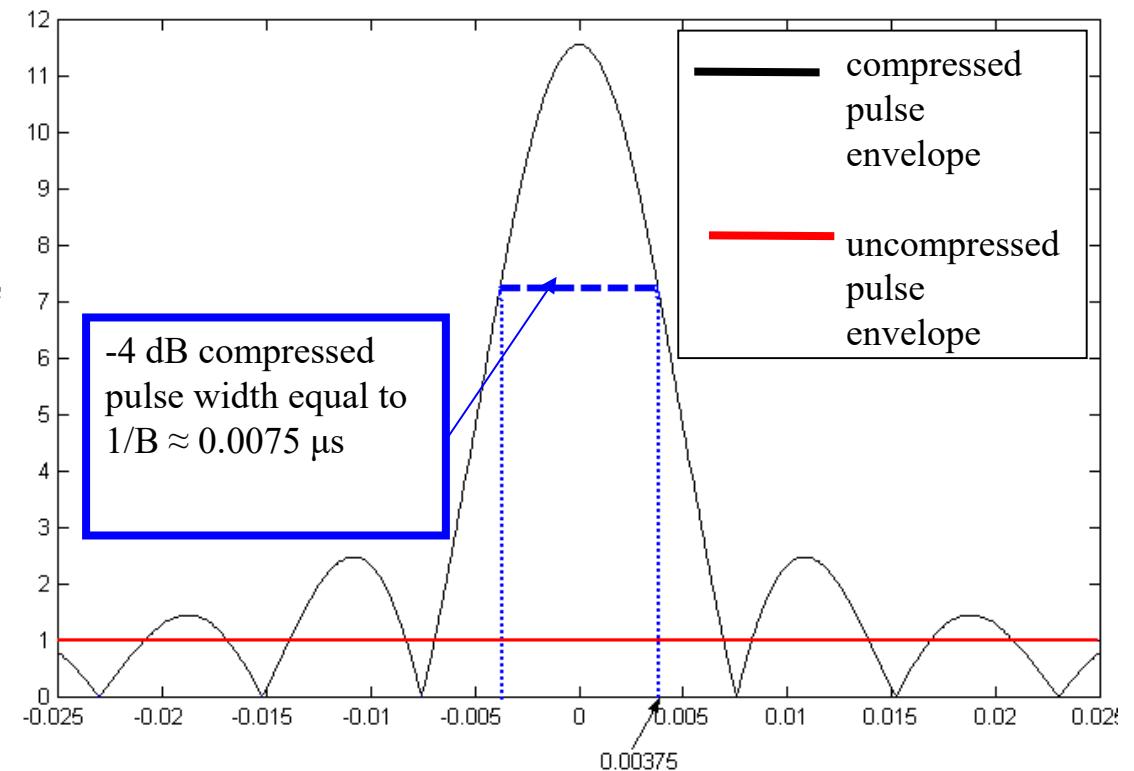


Pulse compression technique (III)



Matched filter output
for: $B=133.5$ MHz
and $T=1 \mu s$

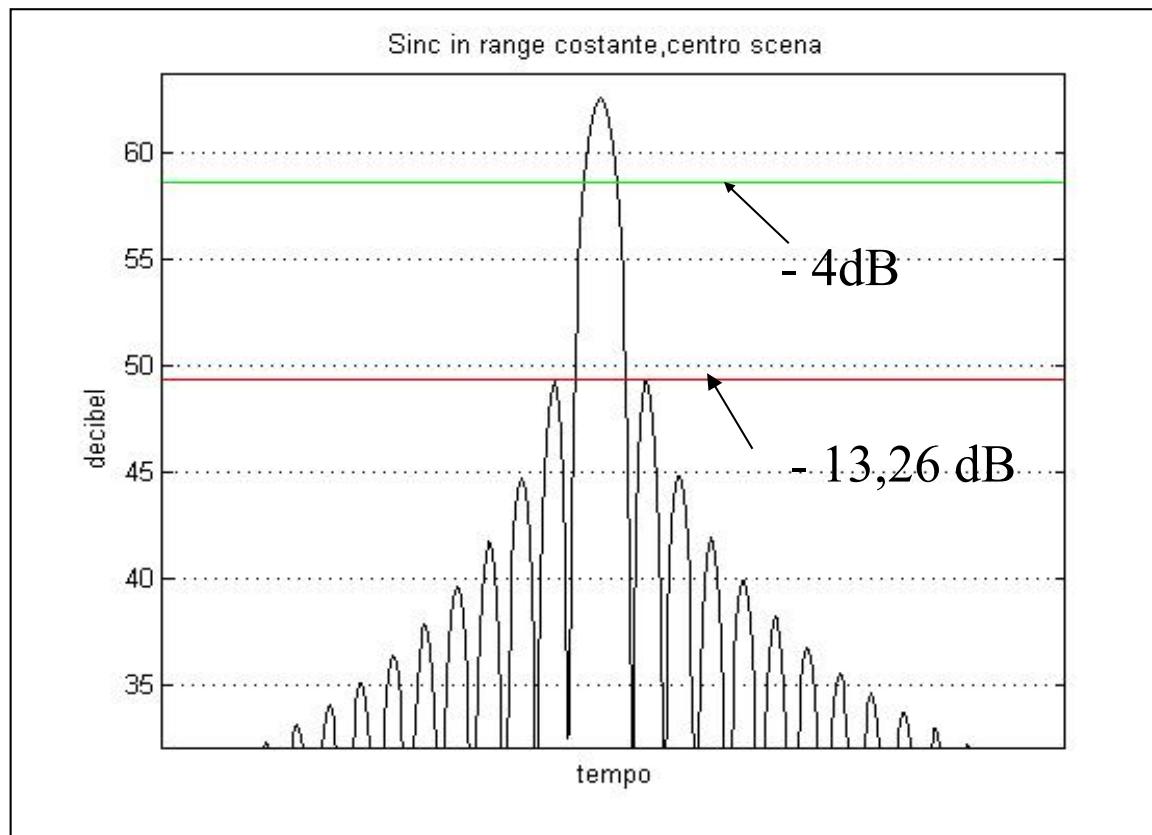
Matched filter output



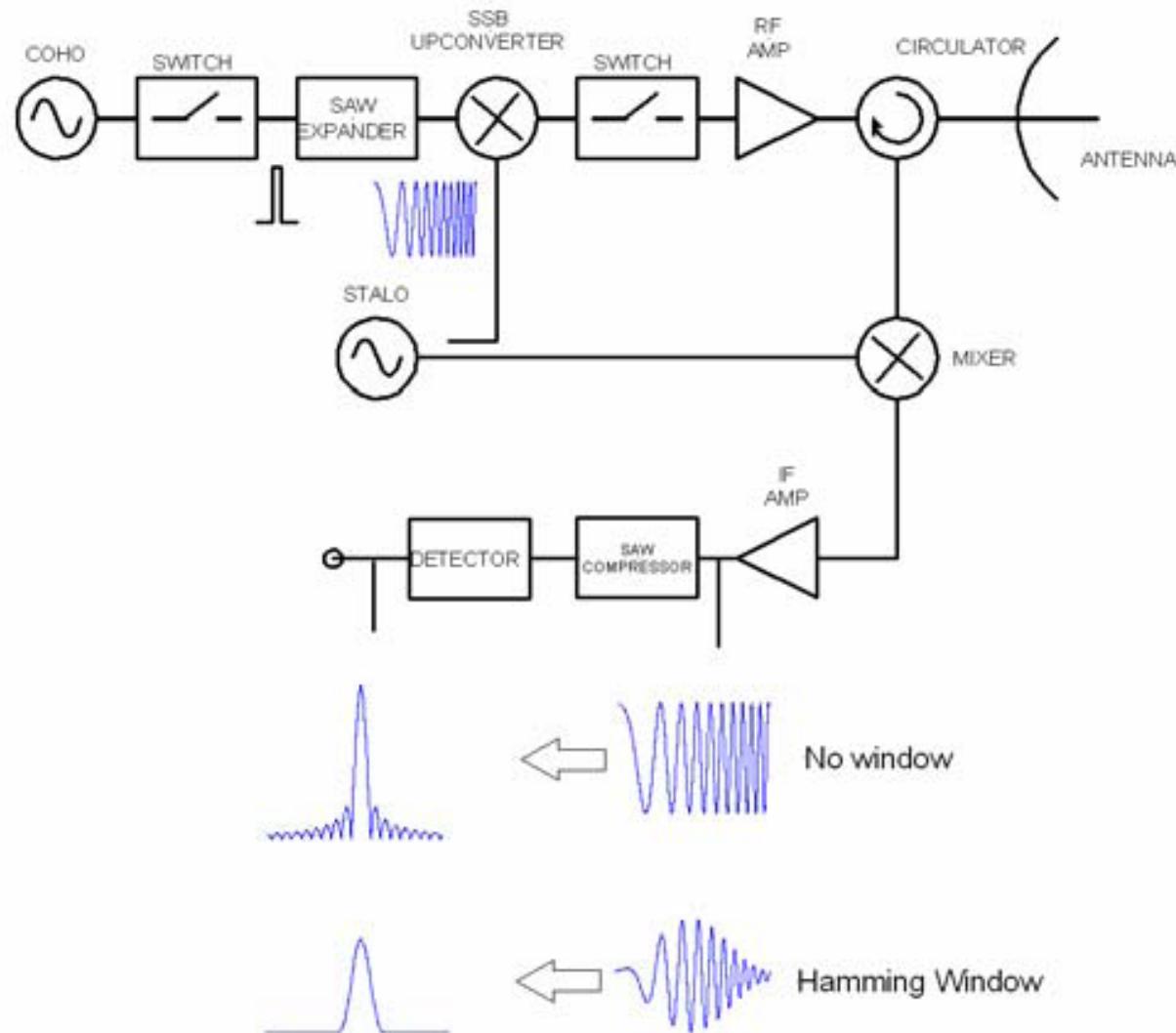
-4 dB compressed
pulse width equal to
 $1/B \approx 0.0075 \mu s$

Pulse compression technique (IV)

Matched filter output : sidelobes

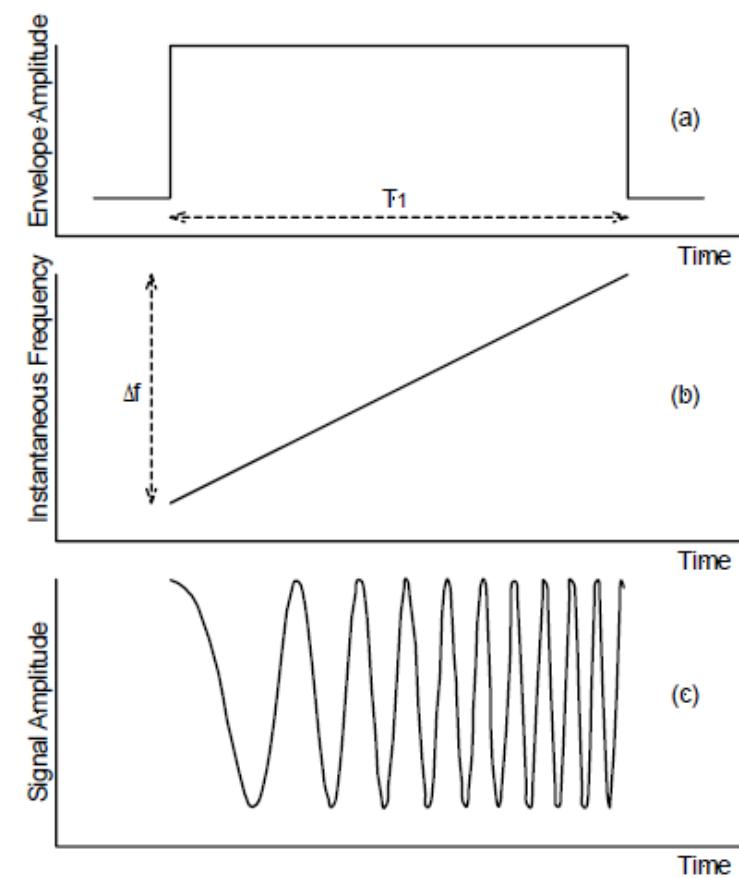


SAW pulse compression (I)



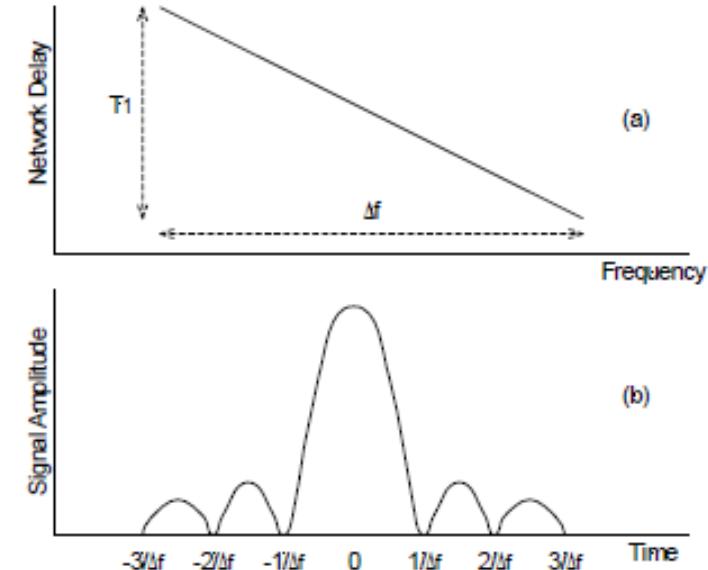
SAW pulse compression (II)

- In a pulse compression system, a very brief pulse consisting of a range of frequencies passes through a dispersive delay line (SAW expander) in which its components are delayed in proportion to their frequency.
- In the process the pulse is stretched; for example a 1ns pulse may be lengthened by a factor of 1000 to a duration of 1 μ s before it is up-converted amplified and transmitted.
- A constant amplitude waveform is produced in which the frequency increases or decreases linearly by Δf over the duration of the pulse

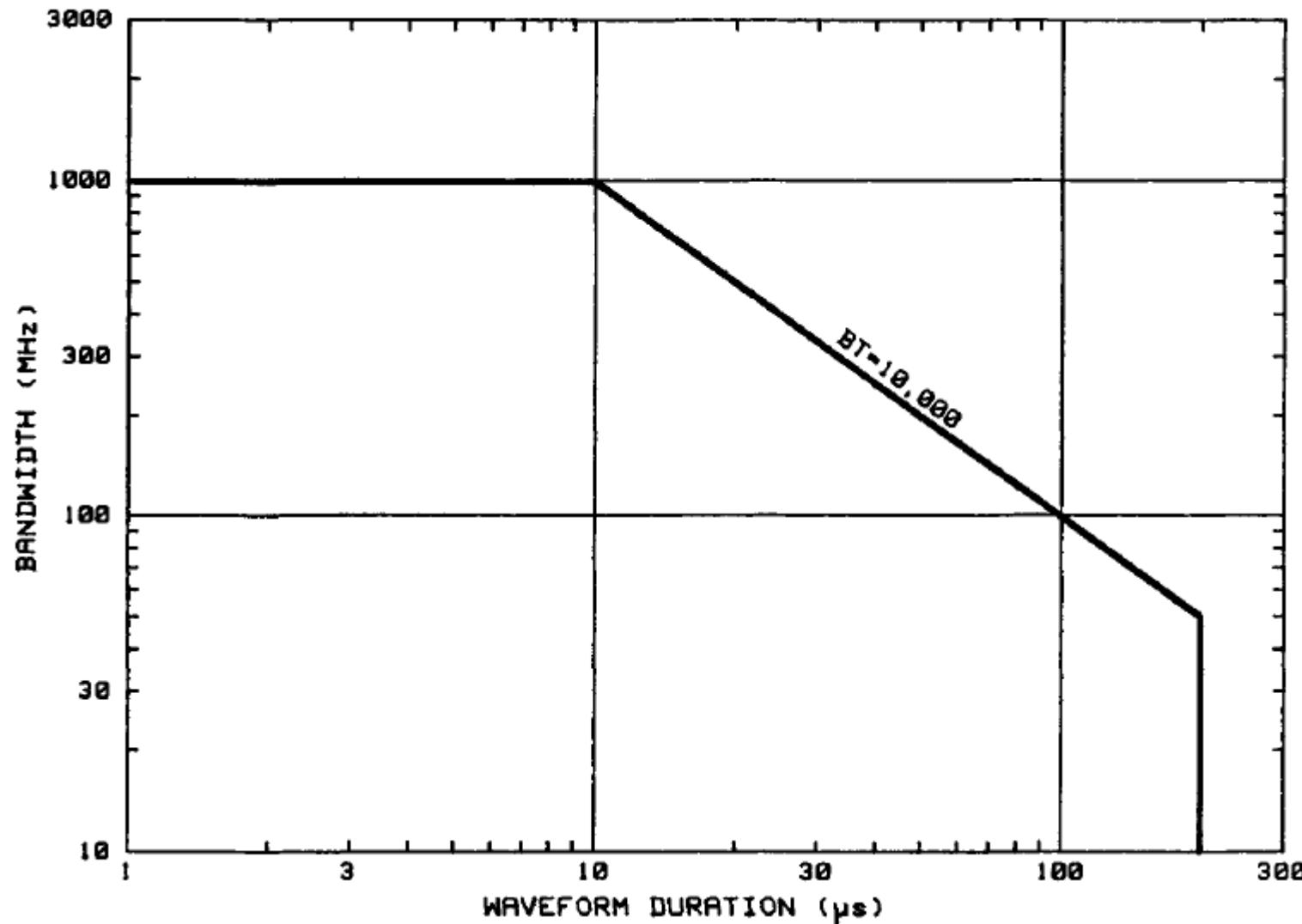


SAW pulse compression (III)

- The echo returns from the target are down converted and amplified
- It is then passed through a pulse compression filter which is designed so that the velocity of propagation is proportional to frequency
- The pulse is compressed to a width $1/\Delta f$
- The compressed echo yields nearly all of the information that would have been available had the unaltered 1ns pulse been transmitted.
- The amount of signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) gain achieved is approximately equivalent to the pulse time-bandwidth product $\beta \cdot \tau$.
- Most pulse compression systems use surface acoustic wave (SAW) technology to implement the pulse expansion and compression functions
- The maximum $\beta \cdot \tau$ product that is readily available is about 1000.



SAW pulse compression (IV)



Chirp approximation and sidelobes

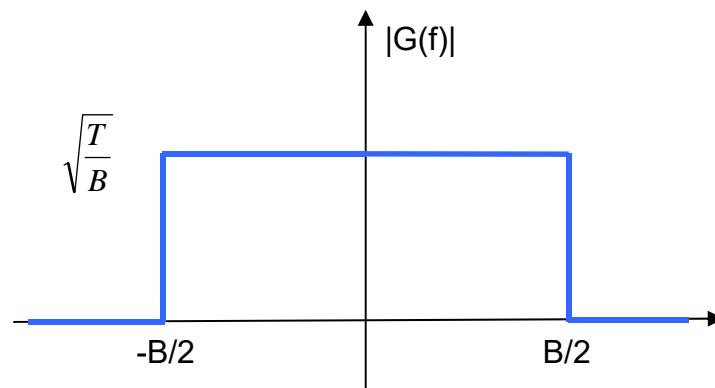
- Chirp autocorrelation
(matched filter output)

$$g(t) = \sqrt{\frac{B}{T}} \frac{\sin\left[\pi \frac{B}{T} (T - |t|)t\right]}{\pi \frac{B}{T} t}$$

- approximated with

$$g(t) \approx \sqrt{\frac{B}{T}} \frac{\sin[\pi B t]}{\pi \frac{B}{T} t} = \sqrt{BT} \sin c [\pi B t]$$

which is the Inverse Fourier Transform of
a rectangle in the frequency domain

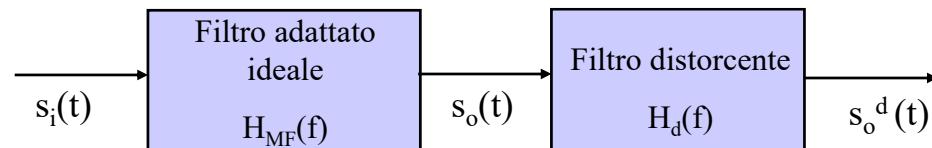


$$G(f) = \sqrt{\frac{T}{B}} \text{rect}_B(f)$$

Distorsioni lineari (I)

Effetto delle distorsioni

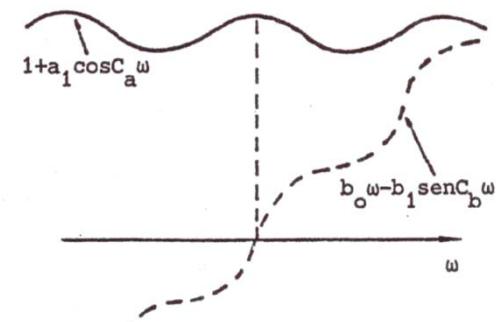
- Il sistema reale sarà affetto da distorsioni (non sarà esattamente uguale a quello ideale): tutte le distorsioni di sistema possono essere sintetizzate in un filtro distorcente posto in cascata al filtro adattato ideale:



- Nell'ipotesi di piccole distorsioni la $H_d(f)$ può essere sviluppata in serie arrestandosi al primo termine

$$H_d(f) = A(f)e^{jB(f)} \rightarrow \begin{cases} A(f) = 1 + a_1 \cos(2\pi C_a f) \\ e^{jB(f)} = e^{jb_1 \sin(2\pi C_b f)} \cong 1 + jb_1 \sin(2\pi C_b f) \end{cases}$$

a_1 : valore di picco della componente di ampiezza;
 b_1 : valore di picco della componente di fase;
 C_a : frequenza ripple di ampiezza;
 C_b : frequenza ripple di fase;



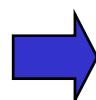
Distorsioni lineari (II)

- Il segnale di uscita distorto è dato da:

$$s_o^d(t) = s_o(t) + \frac{a_1}{2}s_o(t + C_a) + \frac{a_1}{2}s_o(t - C_a) \longrightarrow \text{effetto della distorsione di ampiezza;}$$

$$s_o^d(t) = s_o(t) + \frac{b_1}{2}s_o(t + C_b) - \frac{b_1}{2}s_o(t - C_b) \longrightarrow \text{effetto della distorsione di fase;}$$

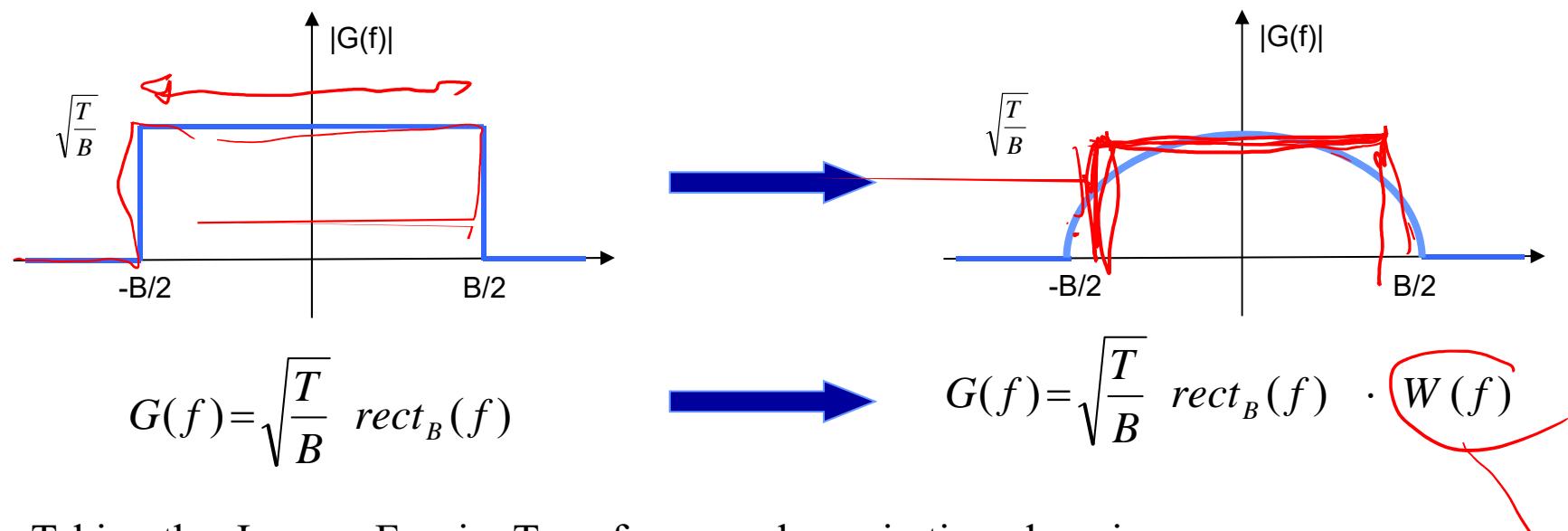
ECHI
APPAIATI



L'utilizzo di filtri reali anziché ideali comporta la presenza di un disturbo additivo dato dagli echi appaiati: tanto maggiore è a_1 & b_1 tanto maggiore è l'ampiezza dell'eco, tanto minore è C_a & C_b (ripple lento) tanto più gli echi appaiati compaiono vicini al segnale utile
 \Rightarrow dalle specifiche di dinamica si può ricavare la massima distorsione ammissibile (valore massimo a_1 & b_1).

Frequency domain weighting (I)

- To control sidelobes of the compressed waveform, amplitude weighting with appropriate tape functions can be used



Taking the Inverse Fourier Transform, we have in time domain

$$g(t) \cong \sqrt{BT} \operatorname{sinc} [\pi B t] \rightarrow g(t) \cong \sqrt{BT} \operatorname{sinc} [\pi B t] * w(t)$$

Frequency domain weighting (II)

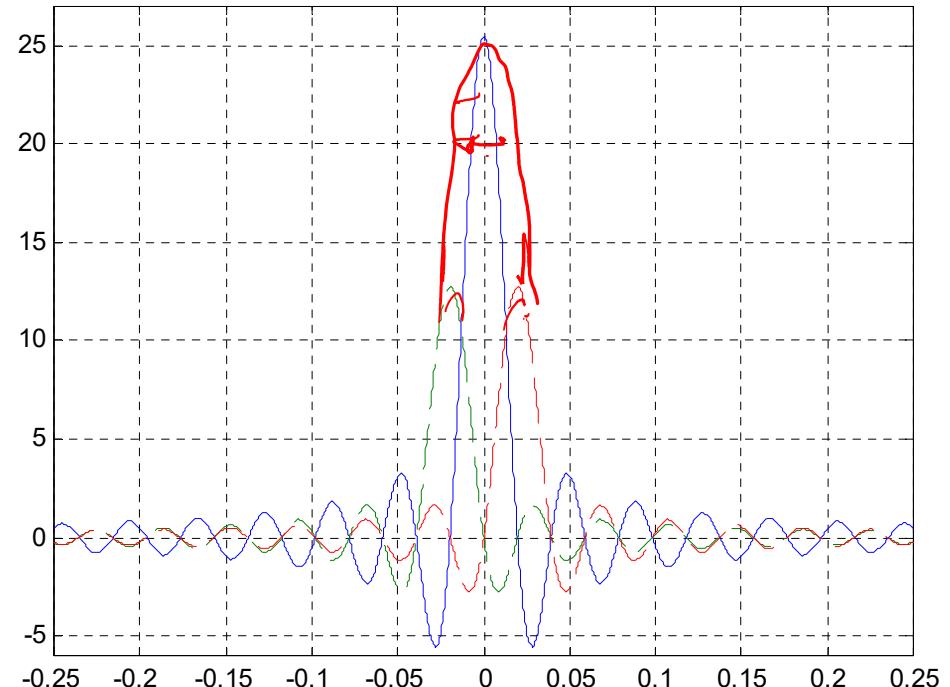
- using appropriate taper function, allows to control sidelobes

For example

$$W(f) = (1 - k) + k \cos\left(\pi \frac{f}{B}\right)$$

$$w(t) = (1 - k) \delta(t) + \frac{k}{2} \delta\left(t - \frac{1}{2B}\right) + \frac{k}{2} \delta\left(t + \frac{1}{2B}\right)$$

Shifted replicas to remove sidelobes ...



$$g(t) \cong \sqrt{BT} \left\{ (1 - k) \operatorname{sinc} \left[\pi B t \right] + \frac{k}{2} \operatorname{sinc} \left[\pi B \left(t - \frac{1}{2B} \right) \right] + \frac{k}{2} \operatorname{sinc} \left[\pi B \left(t + \frac{1}{2B} \right) \right] \right\}$$

Analog vs. Digital domain operations

- usually compression is applied in the sampled domain
- Starting from an approximately rectangular chirp spectrum (sampled in frequency at $1/T$)

$$g(t_n) = \sum_{k=-\frac{(N-1)}{2}}^{\frac{(N-1)}{2}} e^{+j\frac{2\pi}{T}kt_n} = \frac{\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{T}(N-1)t_n\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{T}t_n\right]}$$

Zeros of NUM: $t_n = \frac{kT}{N-1}$

Zeros of DEN: $t_n = kT$

which is the Inverse Fourier Transform of a rectangle in the frequency domain

$$g(t_n) = \sum_{k=-\frac{(N-1)}{2}}^{\frac{(N-1)}{2}} w_k e^{+j\frac{2\pi}{T}kt_n} \quad \text{with} \quad w_k = W\left(\frac{k}{T}\right)$$

Compressed waveform quality parameters

- **Side Lobe Level**

$$SLL = \frac{\text{Amplitude of the highest Side Lobe}}{\text{Main Beam Peak}}$$

- **Side Lobe Ratio**

$$SLR = (SLL)^{-1}$$

$w_k \rightarrow$ taper coefficients



Generally achieved at the expense of:



- **Efficiency**

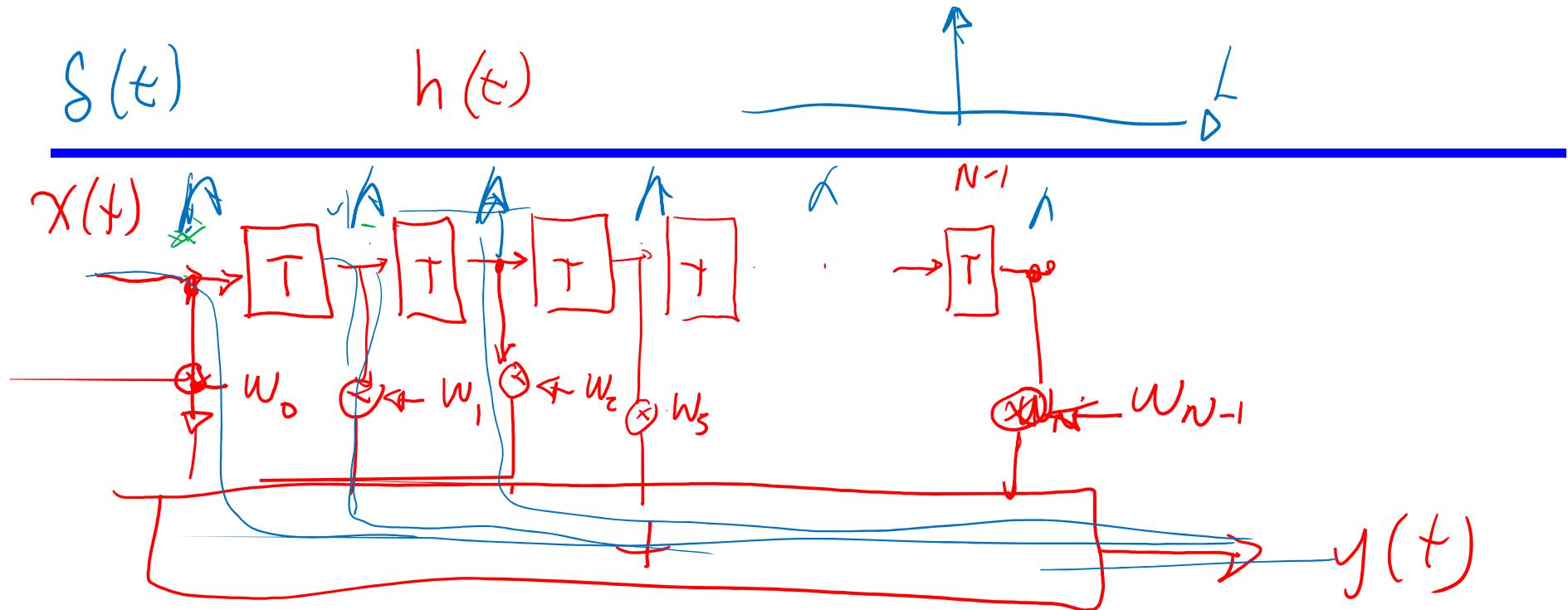
$$\eta = \frac{\left(\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} w_k \right)^2}{N \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} w_k^2}$$



- **3 dB resolution**

Taylor (1953):

- Symmetric weights yield lower sidelobes
- The sidelobe decay depends on the discontinuity in the aperture distribution and in its derivatives.
- A weight distribution with non-zero external elements (pedestal) is more efficient



$$y(t) = w_0 S(t) + w_1 S(t-T) + w_2 S(t-2T) + \dots + w_{N-1} S(t-(N-1)T)$$

$$h(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w_n S[t - nT]$$

per $x(t) = A$

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w_n \cdot A = A \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w_n$$

$$P_S^{in} = A^2$$

- ~~per ingresso costante~~ costante $\underset{n=1}{\overset{N-1}{\sum}} A$

uscita

$$A \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w_n$$

$$\text{Potenz di uscita} = A^2 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w_n \right)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{noise}^{in} &\approx \text{Potenza} \\ &\rightarrow E\{|n(t)|^2\} = \\ &= \sigma_n^2 \end{aligned}$$

- Ingresso rumore termico $n(t)$

$$\text{uscita} \quad \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w_n n(t-nT)$$

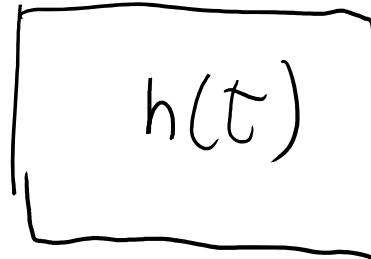
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Potenz rumore termico in uscita} \quad P_{noise}^{out} &= E\left\{\left|\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w_n n(t-nT)\right|^2\right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{\text{noise}}^{\text{out}} &= E \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w_n n(t - nT) \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} w_k^* k^{\alpha} (t - kT) \right\} = \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} w_n w_k^* E \{ n(t - nT) n^{\alpha} (t - kT) \} = \\
 &= \left(\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} |w_n|^2 \right) \sigma_n^2
 \end{aligned}$$

|| $\begin{cases} 0 & \text{per } n \neq k \\ \sigma_n^2 & \text{per } n = k \end{cases}$

Segnale costante A

$$P_S^{in} = A^2$$



$$P_{noise}^{in} = \sigma_n^2$$

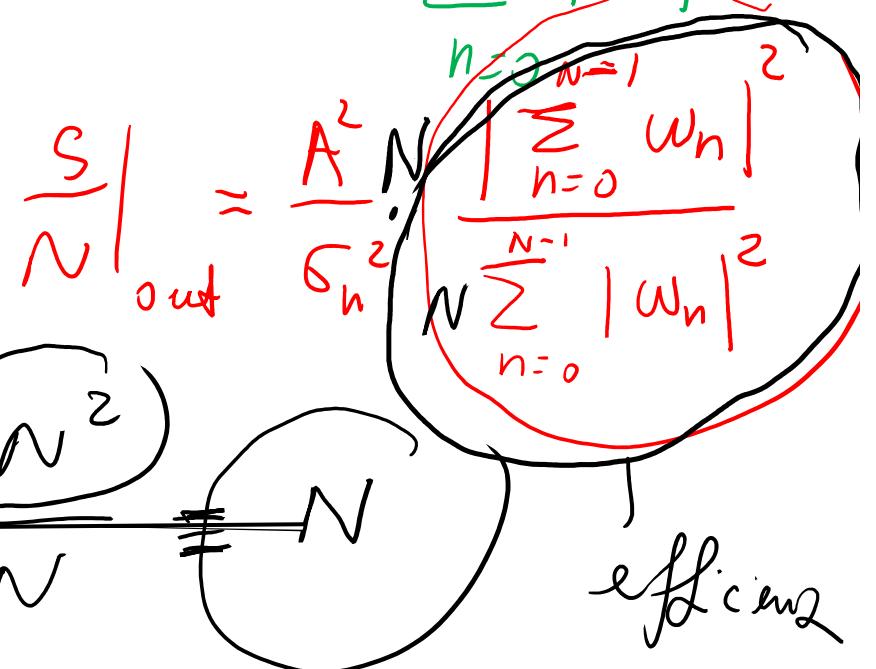
$$\frac{S}{N}_{in} = \frac{A^2}{\sigma_n^2}$$

$$\text{Se } W_n = 1$$

$$\frac{S}{N}_{out} = \frac{N^2}{N}$$

$$P_S^{out} = A^2 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} W_n \right)^2$$

$$P_{noise}^{out} = \sigma_n^2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} |W_n|^2$$

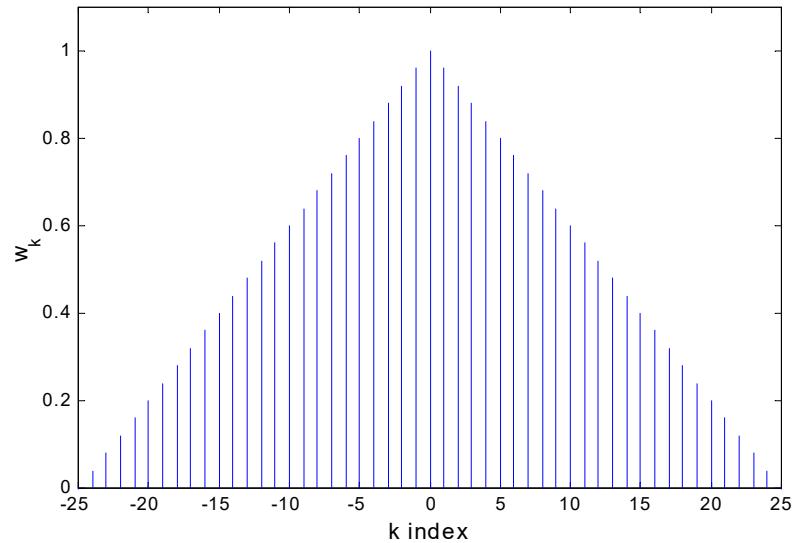


Common used taper functions

	Efficiency η	PSL (dB)	Main lobe width (w.r.t) 1/B.
Uniform	1	-13.3	0.89
Cosine	0.81	-23	1.19
Cosine squared (Hanning)	0.67	-32	1.44
Cosine squared on 10 dB pedestal	0.88	-26	1.08
Cosine squared on 20 dB pedestal	0.75	-40	1.28
Hamming	0.73	-43	1.30
Dolph Chebyshev	0.72	-50	1.33
Dolph Chebyshev	0.66	-60	1.44
Taylor n-bar=3	0.9	-26	1.05
Taylor n-bar=5	0.8	-36	1.18
Taylor n-bar=8	0.73	-46	1.30

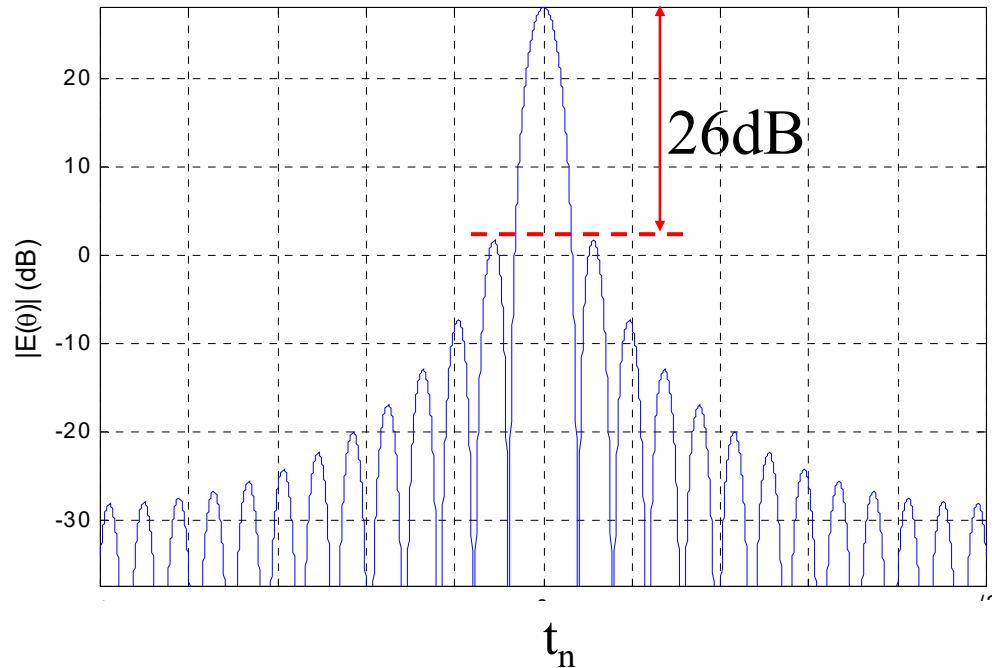
δ, β

Triangle (Bartlett) Window



$$w_k = 1 - \frac{|k|}{(N-1)/2} \quad k = -\frac{N-1}{2}, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \qquad g(t_n) = \frac{2}{N} \left[\frac{\sin\left[\frac{\pi N}{T} \frac{2}{2} t_n\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{T} t_n\right]}\right]^2$$

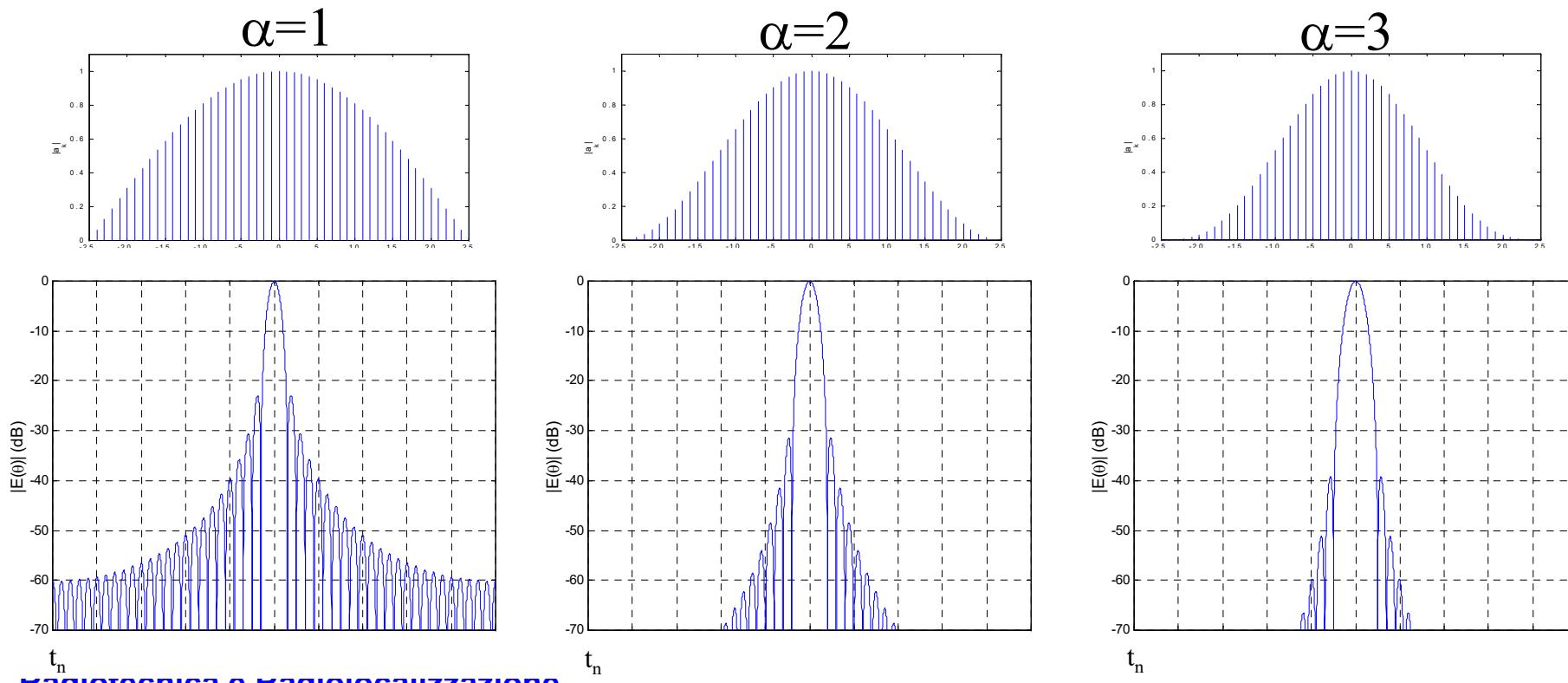


- Main Beam width (between zero crossing) is twice that of the uniform window
- Zeros of order 2 in the Fourier Transform
- $\text{SLR} \approx 26 \text{ dB} = 2 * 13 \text{ dB}$
- Decay $SL \propto 1/x^2$ (-12 dB/oct)
(discontinuity in the first derivative)

$\cos^\alpha(x)$ Windows

$$w_k = \cos^\alpha \left[\frac{k}{N-1} \pi \right] \quad k = -\frac{N-1}{2}, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{2}$$

As α increases, the windows become smoother and the pattern shows increased SLR and faster falloff of the SL, but with an increase width of the ML.

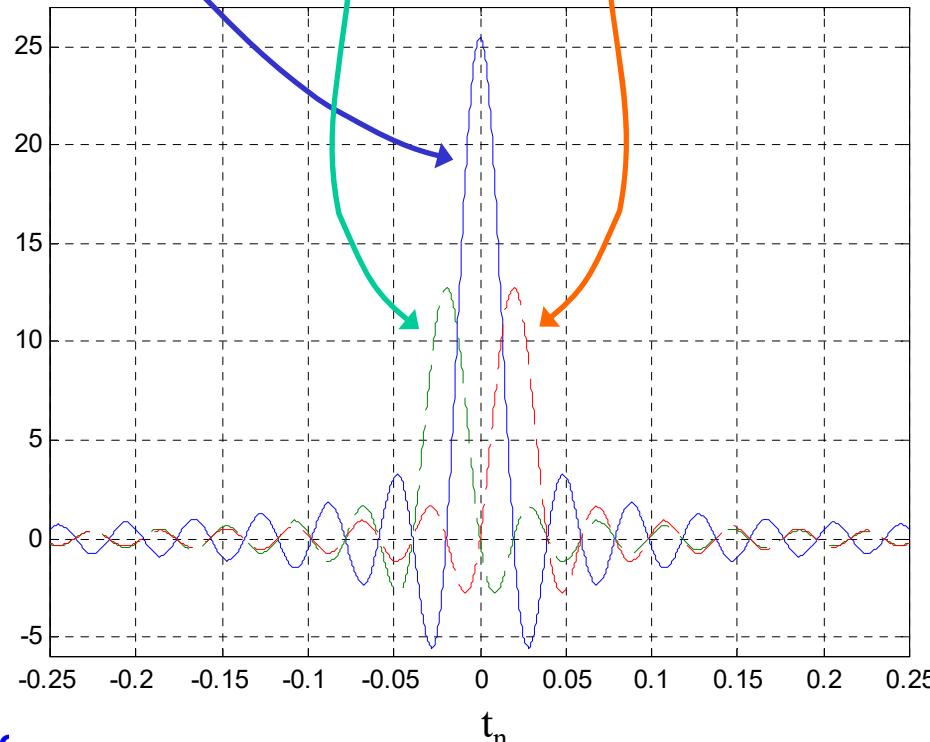


$\cos^\alpha(x)$ Windows → Hanning Window ($\alpha=2$)

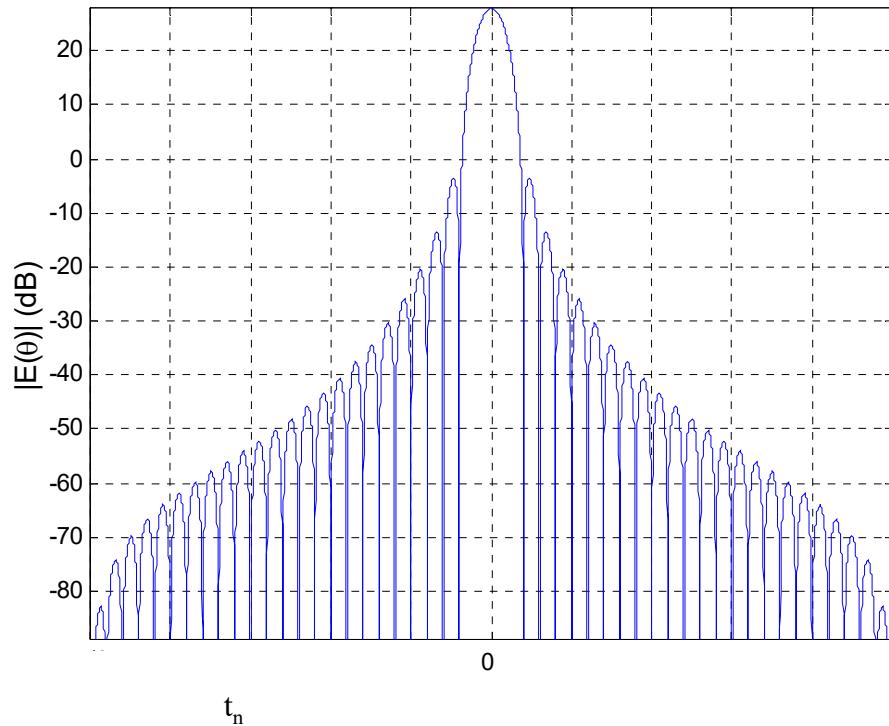
$$w_k = \cos^2\left[\frac{k}{N-1}\pi\right] = \frac{1}{2}\left[1 + \cos\left[\frac{2k}{N-1}\pi\right]\right] = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\cos\left[\frac{2k}{N-1}\pi\right] \quad k = -\frac{N-1}{2}, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{2}$$

$$g(t_n) = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}D(x) + \frac{1}{4}\left[D\left(x + \frac{\pi}{N}\right) + D\left(x - \frac{\pi}{N}\right)\right] \right\}$$

$$D(x) = \frac{\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{T}Nt_n\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{T}t_n\right]}$$



$\cos^\alpha(x)$ Windows → Hanning Window ($\alpha=2$)



- It does not require extra memory and is controlled by a single parameter.
- Wide enlargement of the main lobe
- Low efficiency: $\eta=0.67$
- SLR=32dB
- SL Decay $\propto 1/x^3$ (-18dB/oct)
(discontinuity in the second derivative)

Hamming Window (1/2)

The Hamming weights are a modified version of the Hanning weights:

$$\text{Hamming} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} w_k = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos \left[\frac{2k}{N-1} \pi \right] \quad k = -\frac{N-1}{2}, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{2} \\ g(t_n) = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} D(x) + \frac{1}{4} \left[D\left(x + \frac{\pi}{N}\right) + D\left(x - \frac{\pi}{N}\right) \right] \right\} \end{array} \right.$$

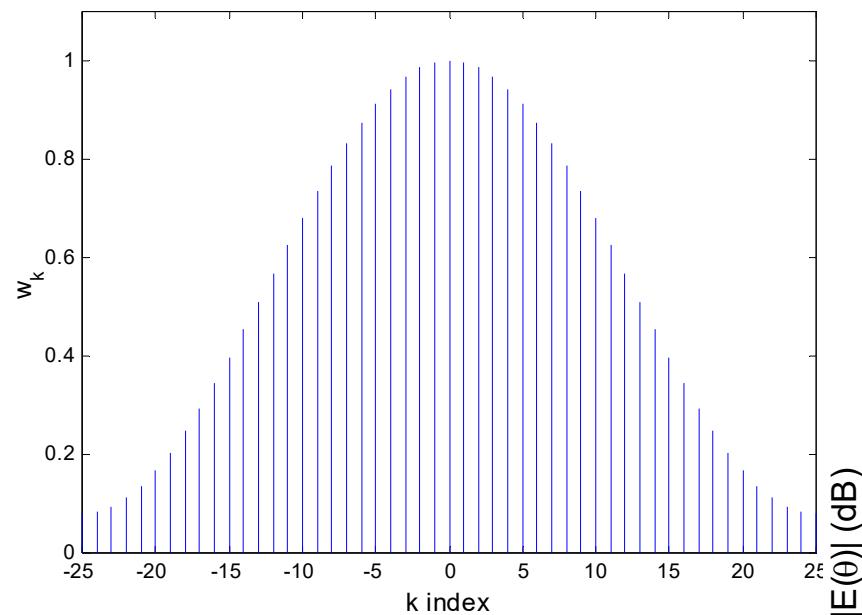
It is obtained by modifying the coefficients of the combination of $D(x)$ functions to achieve a better SL cancellation

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} w_k = \gamma + (1-\gamma) \cos \left[\frac{2k}{N-1} \pi \right] \quad k = -\frac{N-1}{2}, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{2} \\ g(t_n) = \left\{ \gamma D(x) + \frac{1}{2}(1-\gamma) \left[D\left(x + \frac{\pi}{N}\right) + D\left(x - \frac{\pi}{N}\right) \right] \right\} \end{array} \right.$$

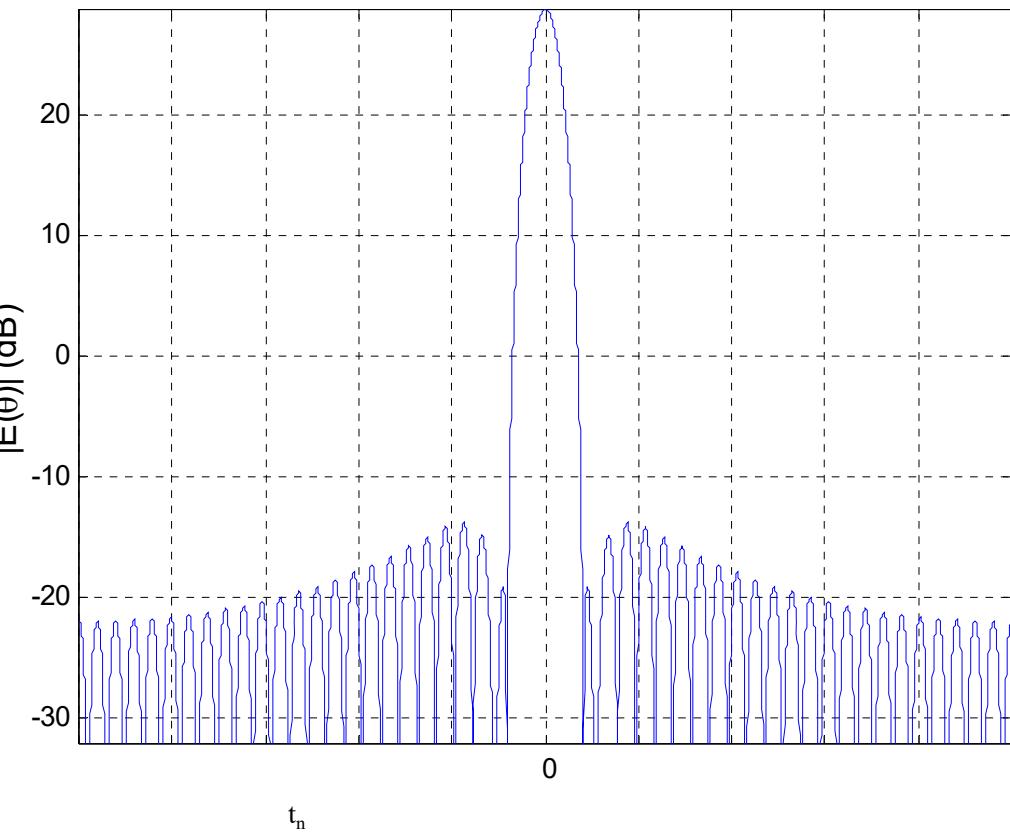
Cancellation of the first sidelobe is for $\gamma=0.543478261$. in practice, it is used

$$\gamma=0.54: \text{Hamming} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} w_k = 0.54 + 0.46 \cos \left[\frac{2k}{N-1} \pi \right] \quad k = -\frac{N-1}{2}, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{2} \\ g(t_n) = \left\{ 0.54 D(x) + \frac{1}{2} 0.46 \left[D\left(x + \frac{\pi}{N}\right) + D\left(x - \frac{\pi}{N}\right) \right] \right\} \end{array} \right.$$

Hamming Window (2/2)



- large attenuation of the first SL of the original compressed waveform
- Better efficiency than Hanning: $\eta=0.73$



- SLR=43dB
- SL Decay $\propto 1/x$ (-6dB/oct)
(discontinuity at the extremes)

Blackman Windows

- Hanning and Hamming taper functions belong to the “raised cosine” family
- Both are special cases of the Blackman windows (windows function of $(N+1)/2$ parameters) with only γ_0 and γ_1 non-zero coefficients :

$$w_k = \sum_{m=0}^{(N-1)/2} \gamma_m \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{N-1} mk\right) \quad \sum_{m=0}^{(N-1)/2} \gamma_m = 1 \quad k = -\frac{N-1}{2}, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{2}$$

Difficulties with the family of windows:

- The choice of parameters to achieve the desired waveform characteristics is difficult (complex inversion)
- Often the characteristics are not adequate in terms of resolution and efficiency.

Dolph-Chebyshev Window (1/3)

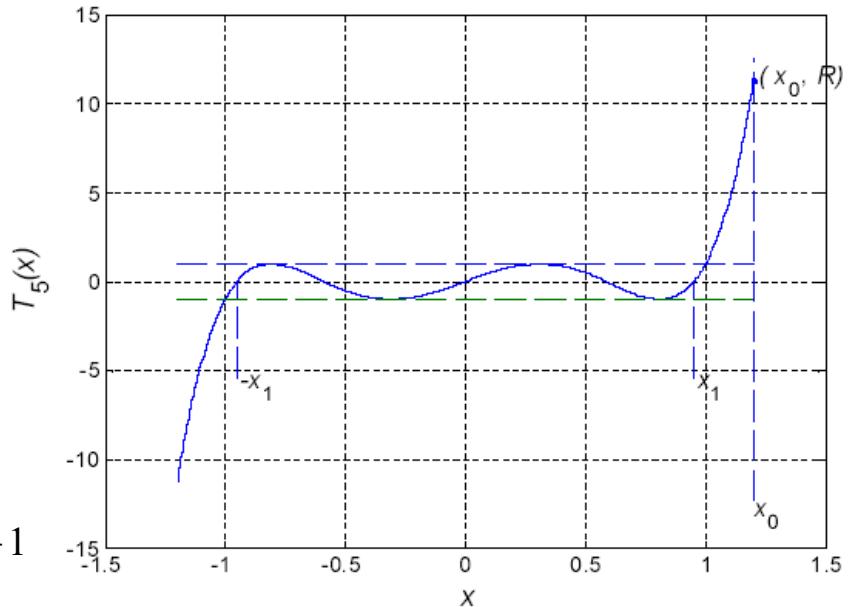
It provides the maximal resolution for assigned sidelobe (constant) level!

The design is based on the properties of the **Chebyshev polynomials**:

$$T_n(u) = \begin{cases} (-1)^n \cosh(n \cosh^{-1}|u|) & u < -1 \\ \cos(n \cos^{-1} u) & |u| \leq 1 \\ \cosh(n \cosh^{-1} u) & u > 1 \end{cases}$$

Properties:

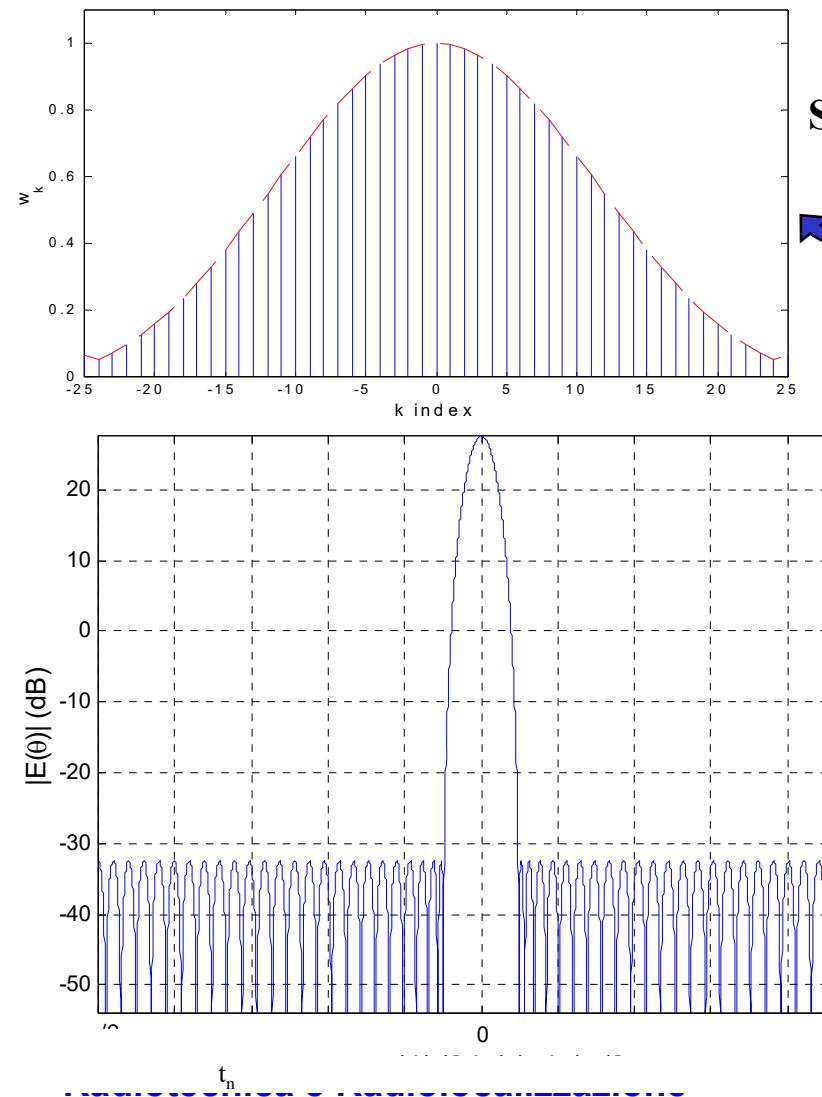
- $T_n(u) = 2uT_{n-1}(u) - T_{n-2}(u)$
- Zeros in $|u| \leq 1$, $u_p = \cos\left[(2p-1)\frac{\pi}{2n}\right]$ $p = 1, \dots, n$
- Maxima and minima in $u_k = \cos\left[\frac{k\pi}{n}\right]$ $k = 1, \dots, n-1$
- Also $T_n(u_k) = \pm 1$



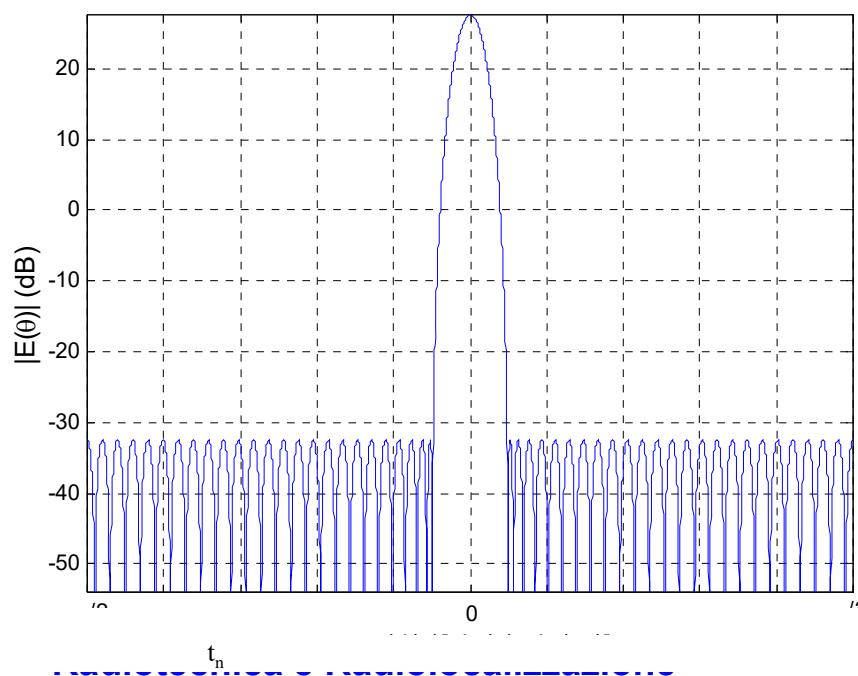
For a window of N elements, a polynomial with order $n=N-1$ is used ($N-1$ zeros).

The oscillating part of the polynomial is used for the sidelobes, while the main lobe is mapped in the region $x>1$.

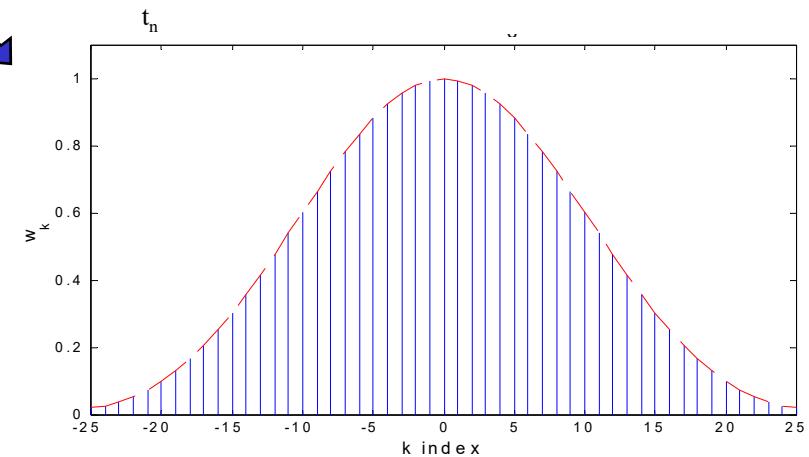
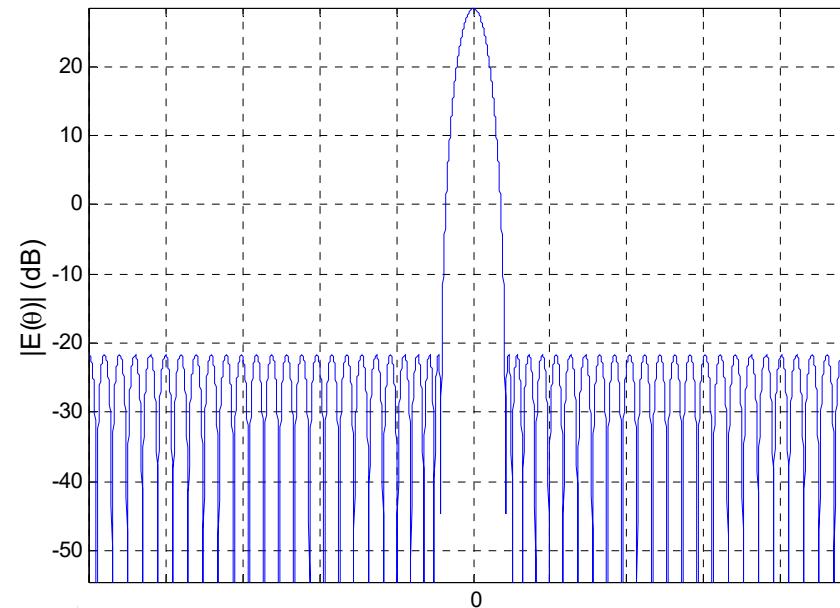
Dolph-Chebyshev Window (2/3)



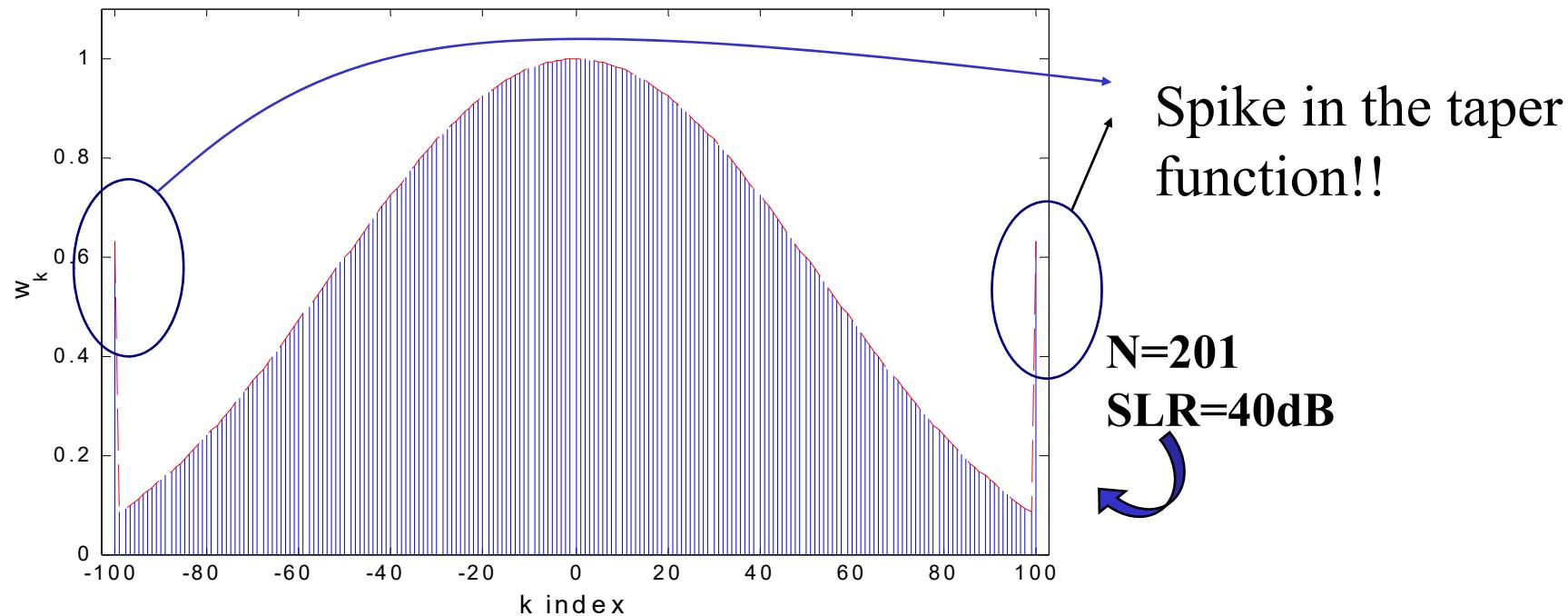
SLR=50dB



SLR=60dB



Dolph-Chebyshev Window (3/3)



For this reason, such taper function is not used in practice.

The Taylor taper function is studied to solve such undesired feature, while keeping the nice properties of the Dolph-Chebyshev solution.

Taylor n-bar Window (1/4)

This is a trade-off between Dolph-Chebyshev taper function with constant RSL and the uniform weights with $1/x$ sidelobe decay.

Starting point

$$\begin{cases} F(u) = \cosh\left[\pi\sqrt{A^2 - u^2}\right] & u \leq A \\ F(u) = \cos\left[\pi\sqrt{u^2 - A^2}\right] & u \geq A \end{cases}$$

- $u=2x/\pi$
- Pattern with constant level sidelobes
- There is a transition in the main lobe at $u=A$ between the hyperbolic function and the trigonometric function
- Zeros at $\rightarrow z_n = \pm\sqrt{A^2 + (n-1/2)^2}$
- SLR=F(0)=(1/ π)coshA

Strategy

Using this ideal pattern, there are still spikes at the window borders \rightarrow an approximate pattern is used where:

- The first \bar{n} sidelobes are maintained at a constant level
- The pattern zeros are moved to achieve a $1/u$ behavior in the sidelobe level region far from the main beam

Taylor n-bar Window (2/4)

New zeros:

$$\begin{cases} z_n = \pm \sigma \sqrt{A^2 + (n - 1/2)^2} & 1 \leq n \leq \bar{n} \\ z_n = \pm n & n \geq \bar{n} \end{cases}$$
$$\sigma = \frac{\bar{n}}{\sqrt{A^2 + (\bar{n} - 1/2)^2}}$$

$$F(u) = \frac{\sin \pi u}{\pi u} \prod_{n=1}^{\bar{n}-1} \frac{1 - \left(\frac{u}{z_n}\right)^2}{1 - \left(\frac{u}{n}\right)^2}$$

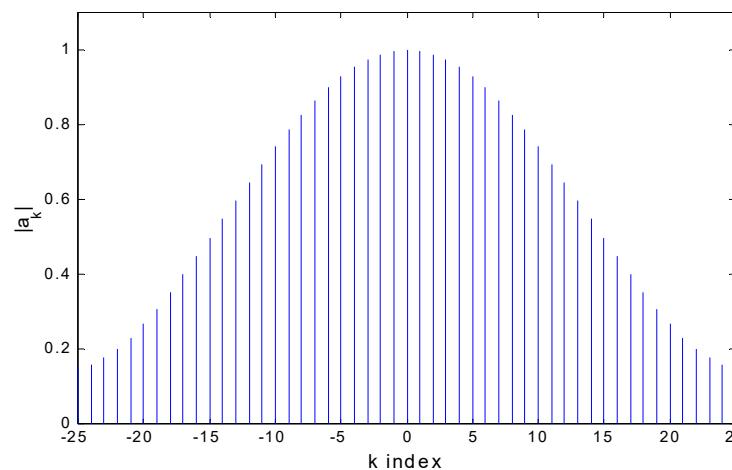
Inversion 

$$w_k = \left[1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\bar{n}-1} F(n, A, \bar{n}) \cos(n\pi \frac{2k}{N-1}) \right] / w_{MAX}$$

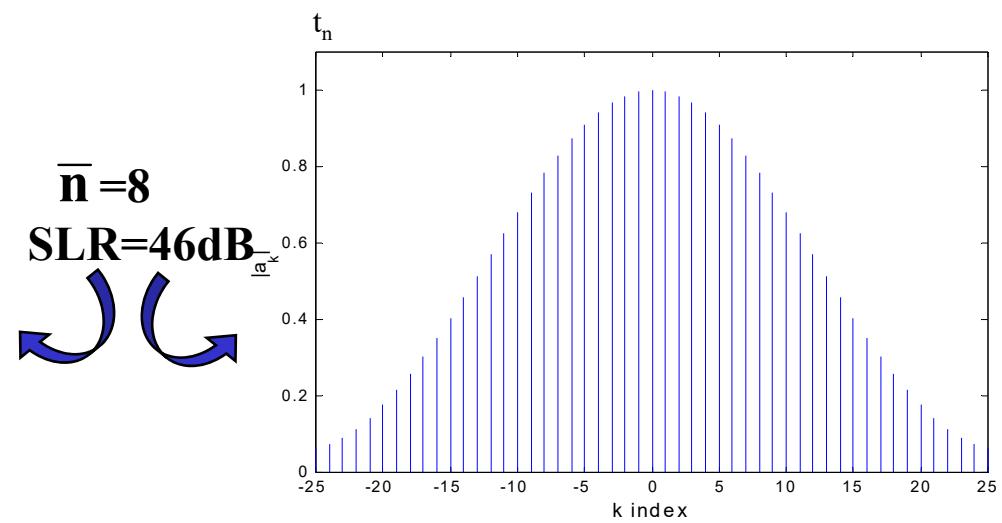
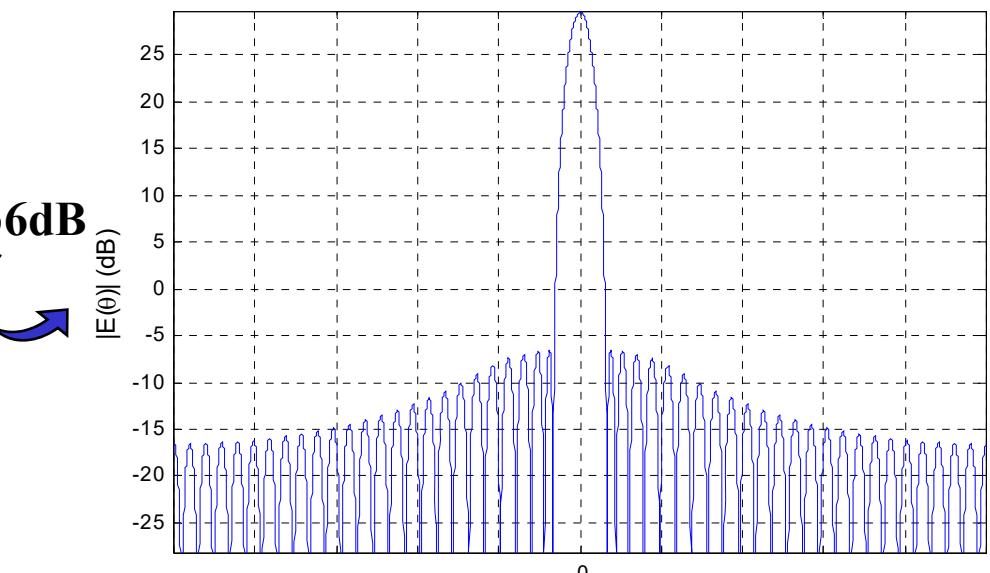
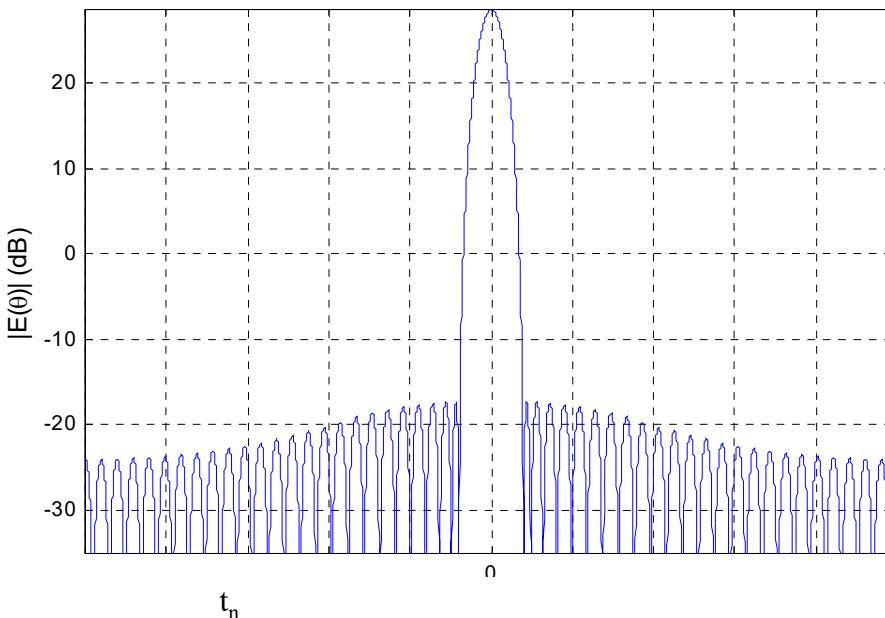
with $F(n, A, \bar{n}) = \frac{[(\bar{n}-1)!]^2}{(\bar{n}-1+n)!(\bar{n}-1-n)!} \prod_{m=1}^{\bar{n}-1} \left[1 - \left(\frac{n}{z_m} \right)^2 \right]$

$$k = -\frac{N-1}{2}, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, \frac{N-1}{2}$$

Taylor n-bar Window (3/4)

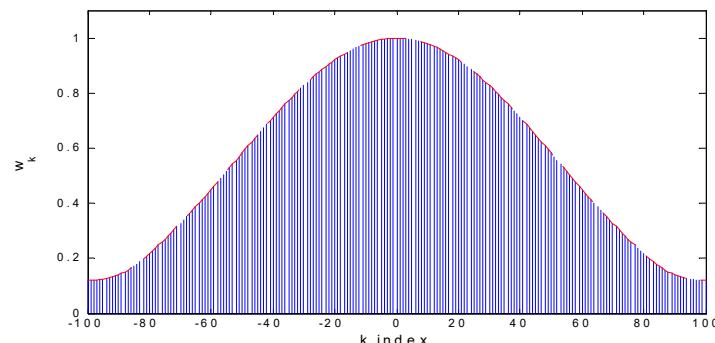


$\bar{n}=5$
SLR=36dB

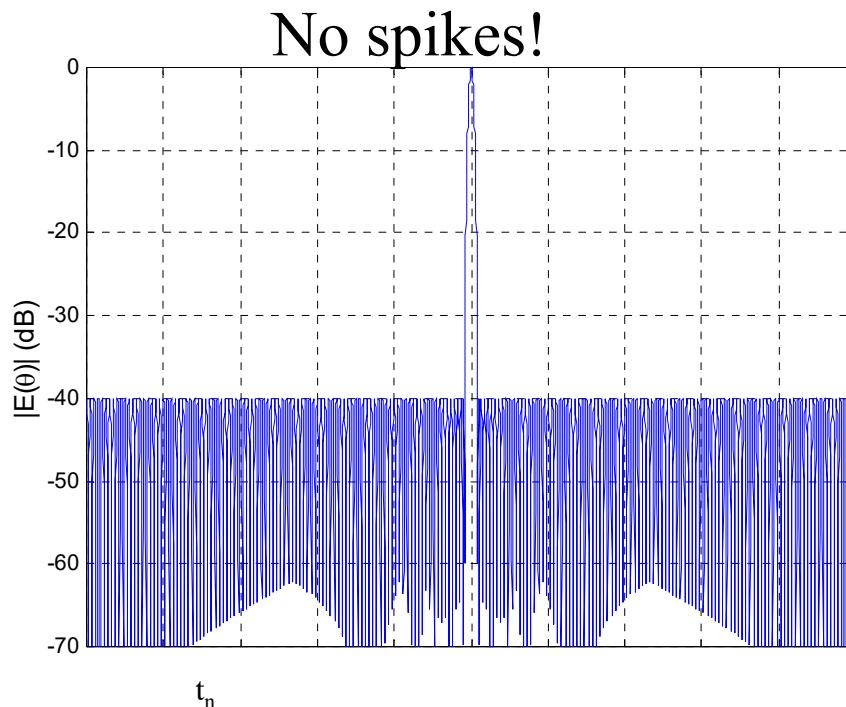


$\bar{n}=8$
SLR=46dB

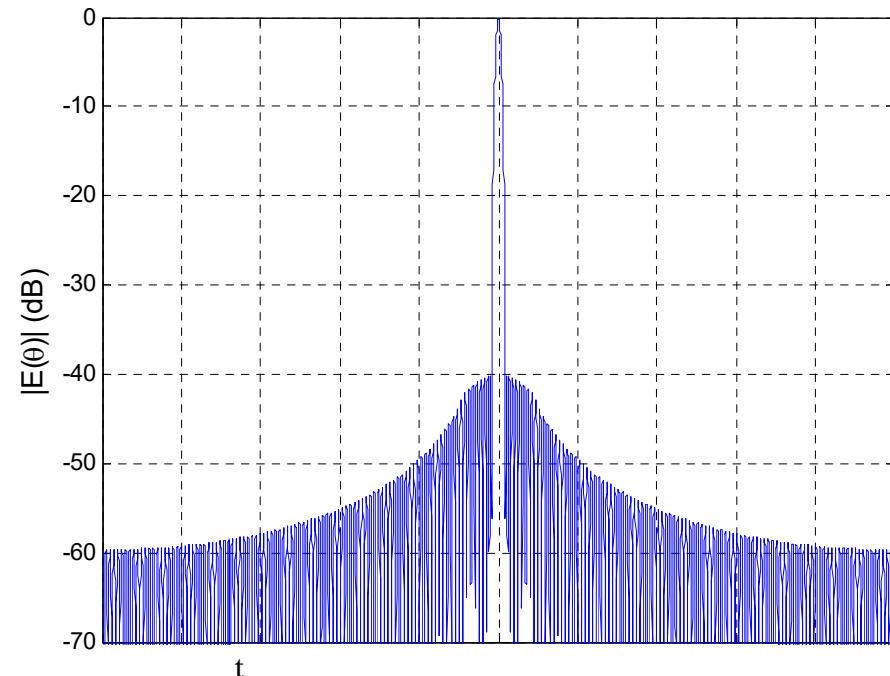
Taylor n-bar Window (4/4)



$\bar{n} = 10$
 $N = 201$
 $SLR = 40\text{dB}$
 ↗



Chebyshev
 pattern
 -40dB
 ↗



- Good approximation for the first SL
- SL asymptotic decay $\propto 1/x$
- Main beam widening
- n cannot be too small for an assigned SLR, but large n values yield implementation problems

Rete di Taylor: coefficienti

$$4. \quad w_{\text{Taylor}}(t) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} F_m w_0(t - \frac{m}{B})$$

where

$$F_0 = 1, \quad F_m = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad |m| \geq \bar{n}$$

and

$$F_m = E_m$$

TAYLOR WEIGHTING:

$$w_{\text{Taylor}}(t) = \\ w_0(t) \left[1 + 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\bar{n}-1} F_m \cos 2\pi m \frac{t}{B} \right]$$

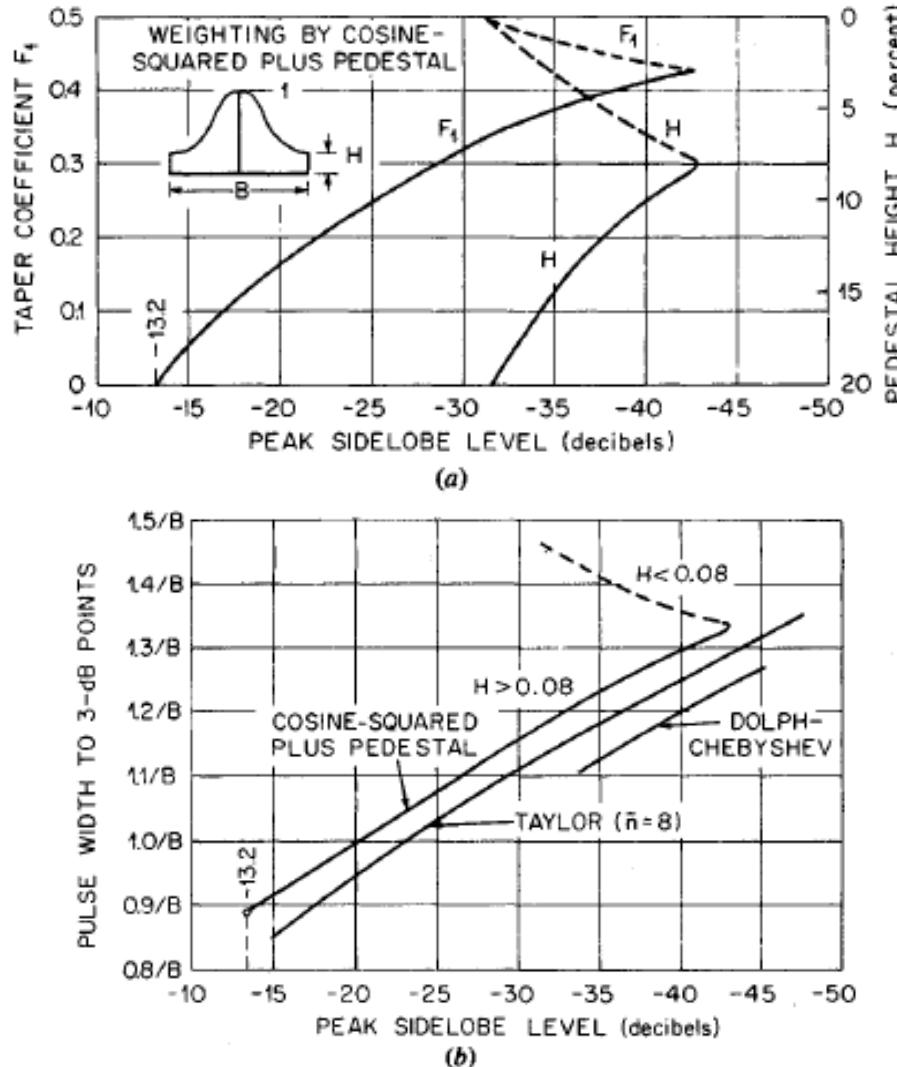
(REFS. 39,42,43)

TABLE 10.9 Taylor Coefficients F_m^*

Design sidelobe ratio, dB	-30	-35	-40	-40	-45	-45	-50
\bar{n}	4	5	6	8	8	10	10
Main lobe width, -3 dB	$1.13/B$	$1.19/B$	$1.25/B$	$1.25/B$	$1.31/B$	$1.31/B$	$1.36/B$
F_1	0.292656	0.344350	0.389116	0.387560	0.428251	0.426796	0.462719
F_2	-0.157838(-1)	-0.151949(-1)	-0.945245(-2)	-0.954603(-2)	0.208399(-3)	-0.682067(-4)	0.126816(-1)
F_3	0.218104(-2)	0.427831(-2)	0.488172(-2)	0.470359(-2)	0.427022(-2)	0.420099(-2)	0.302744(-2)
F_4		-0.734551(-3)	-0.161019(-2)	-0.135350(-2)	-0.193234(-2)	-0.179997(-2)	-0.178566(-2)
F_5			0.347037(-3)	0.332979(-4)	0.740559(-3)	0.569438(-3)	0.884107(-3)
F_6				0.357716(-3)	-0.198534(-3)	0.380378(-5)	-0.382432(-3)
F_7				-0.290474(-3)	0.339759(-5)	-0.224597(-3)	0.121447(-3)
F_8						0.246265(-3)	-0.417574(-5)
F_9						-0.153486(-3)	-0.249574(-4)

* $F_0 = 1; F_{-m} = F_m$; floating decimal notation: $-0.945245(-2) = -0.00945245$.

Confronto reti di pesatura



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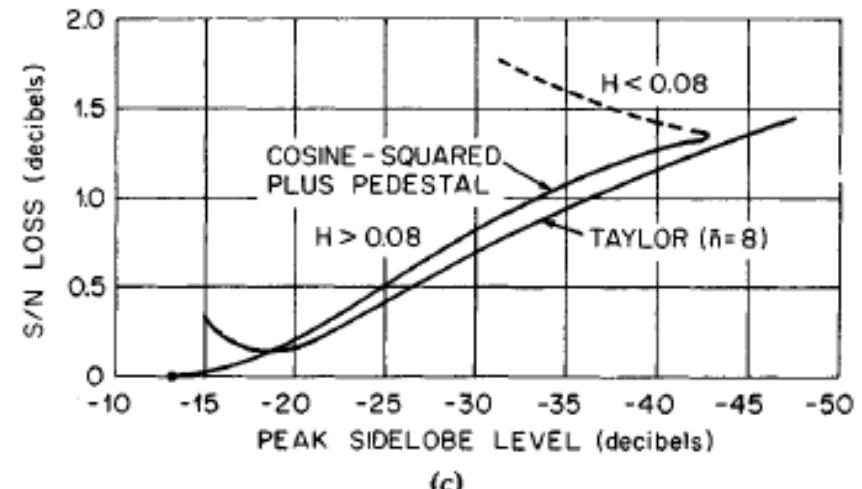


FIG. 10.16 (a) Taper coefficient and pedestal height versus peak sidelobe level. (b) Compressed-pulse width versus peak sidelobe level. (c) SNR loss versus peak sidelobe level.

Chirp approximation and sidelobes (II)

- Side Lobe di Fresnel

Porzione trascurata
nell'approx
rettangolare

Importante per bassi
rapporti di
compressione

$$V.S = \frac{C}{2B}$$

Limita la possibilità di
abbassare i lobi laterali
tramite pesatura

B

$$S.L.F. \Big|_{dB} = 20 \log(BT) + 3$$

$$13,5 \text{ dB } BT > 20$$

$$23 \text{ dB}$$

