

# ECE 463: Digital Communications Lab.

## Lecture 3: Pulse Shaping and Matched Filters Haitham Hassanieh

## Previous Lecture:

- ✓ Up Conversion & Down Conversion
- ✓ PAM vs QAM Spectral Efficiency
- ✓ Software Defined Radios

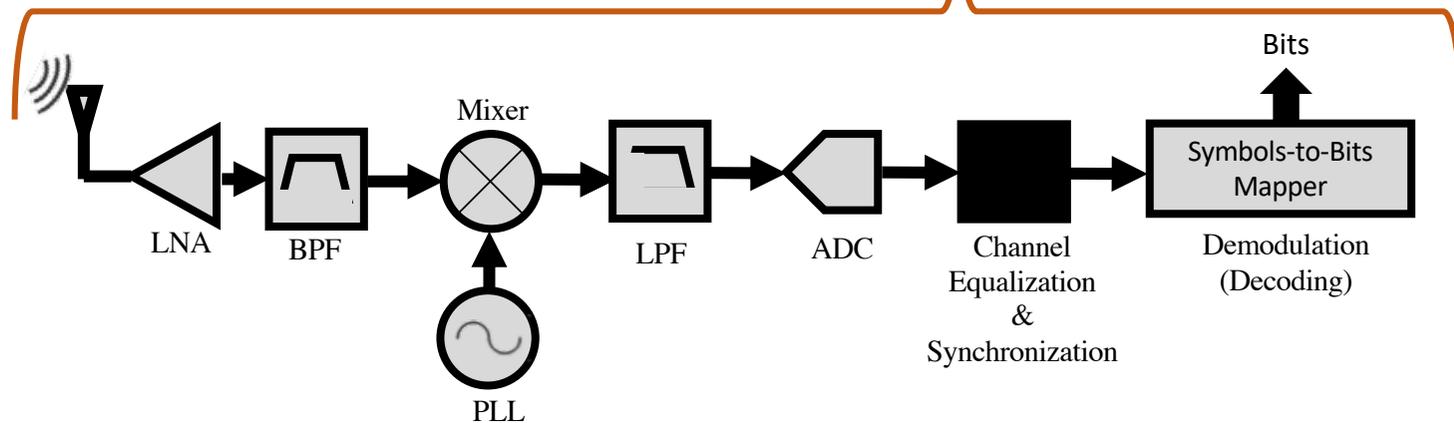
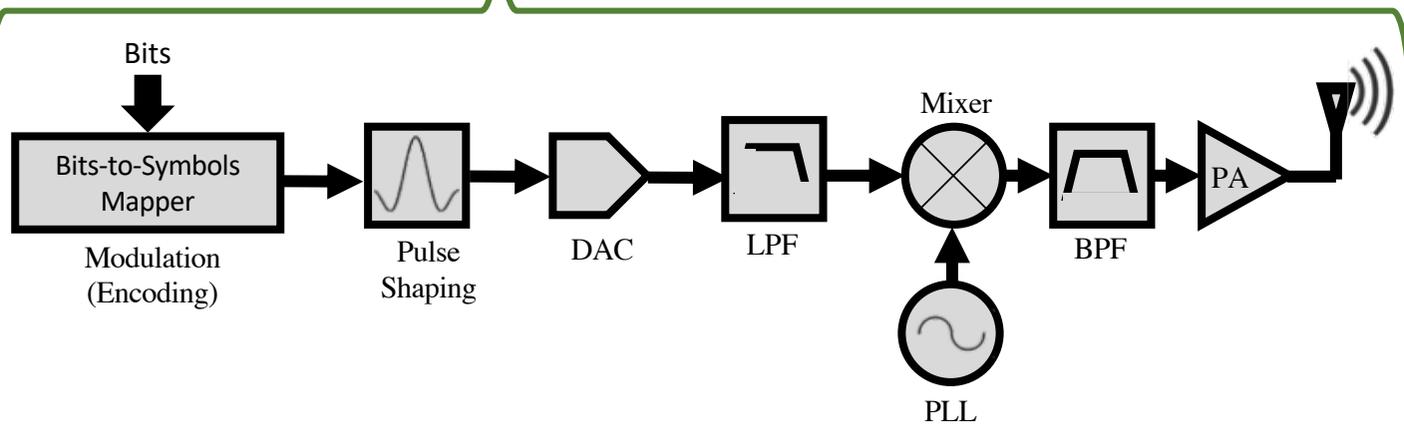
## This Lecture:

- Pulse Shaping Filters
- Matched Filters
- Symbol Timing Recovery
- Eye Diagrams

# Digital Communication System

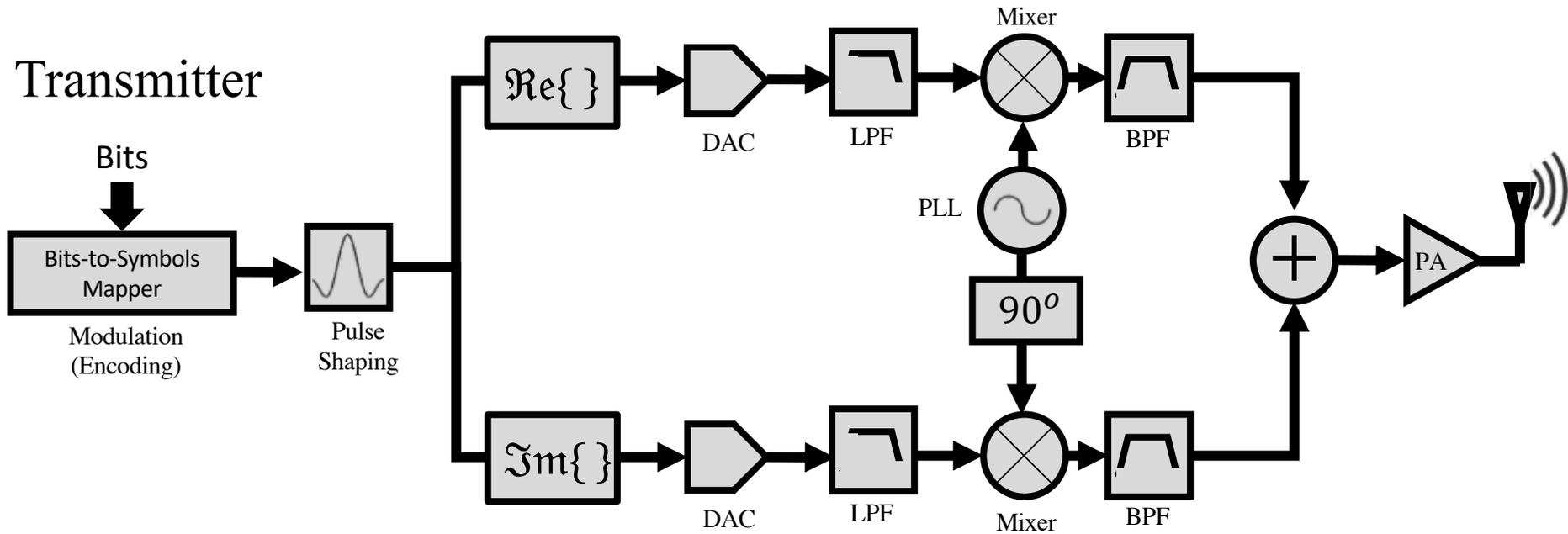
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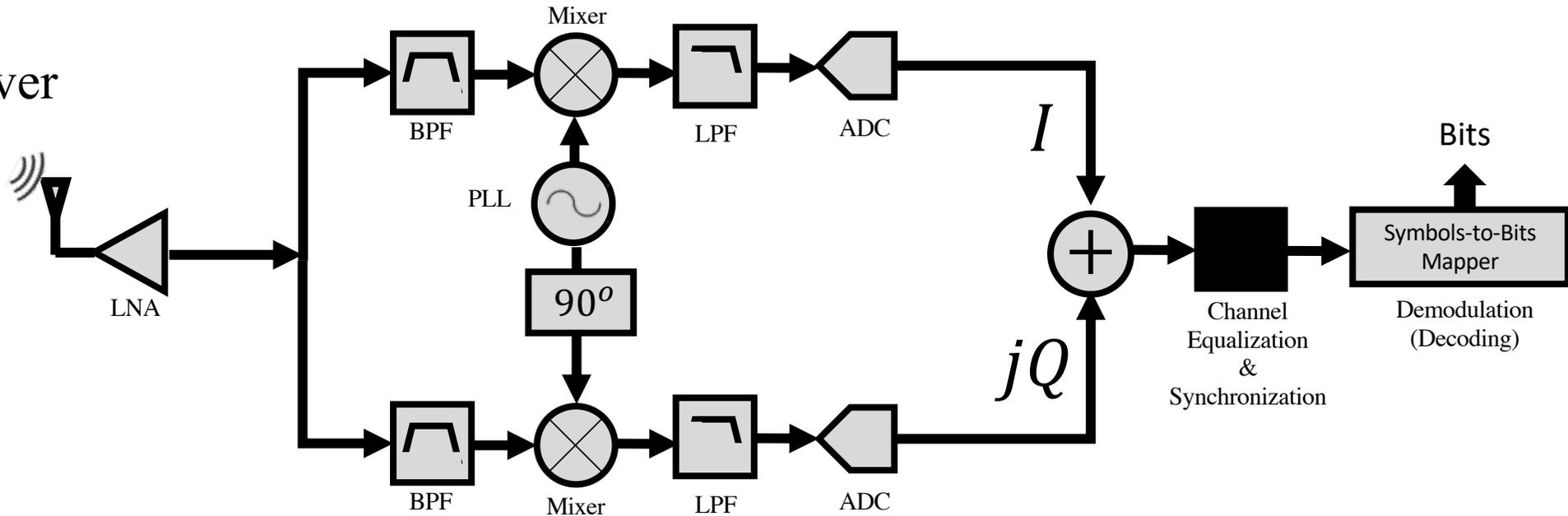


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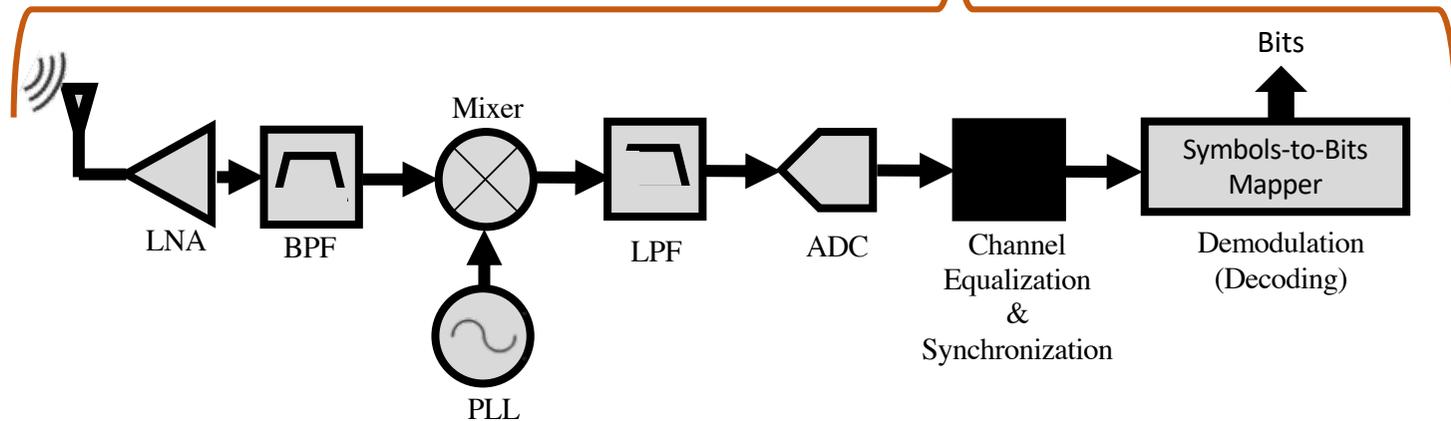
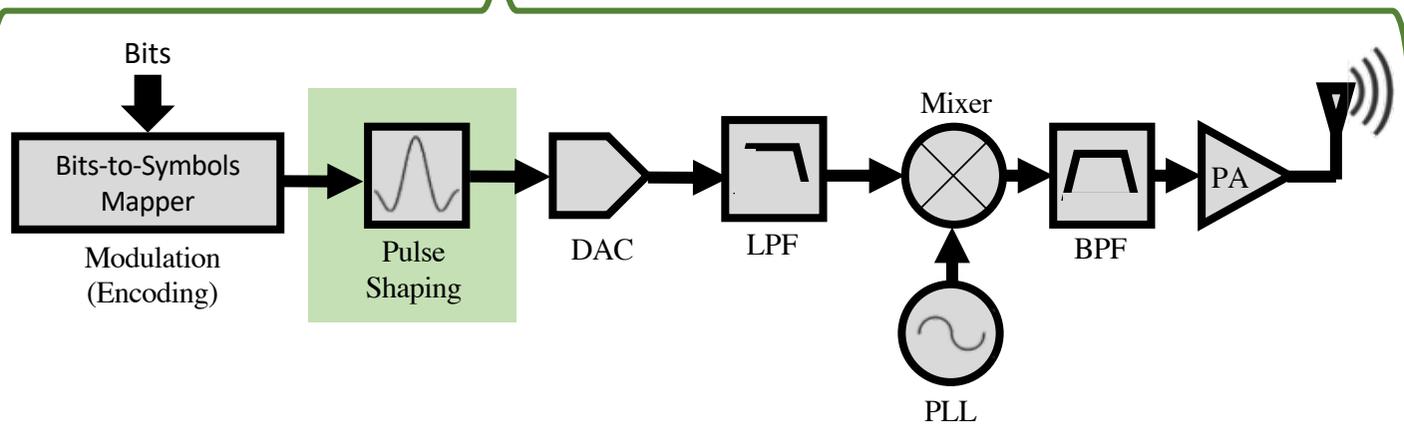
## Receiver



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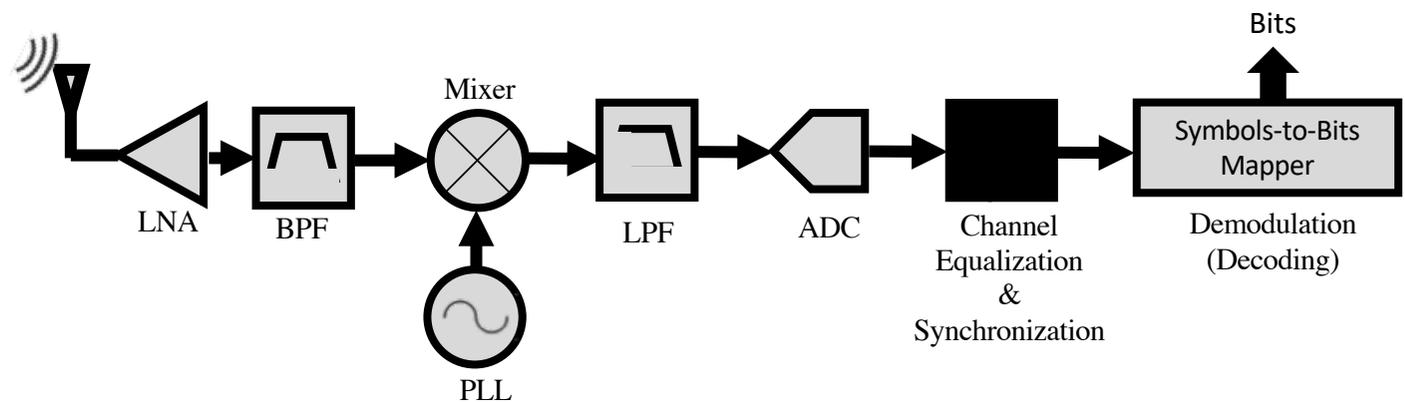
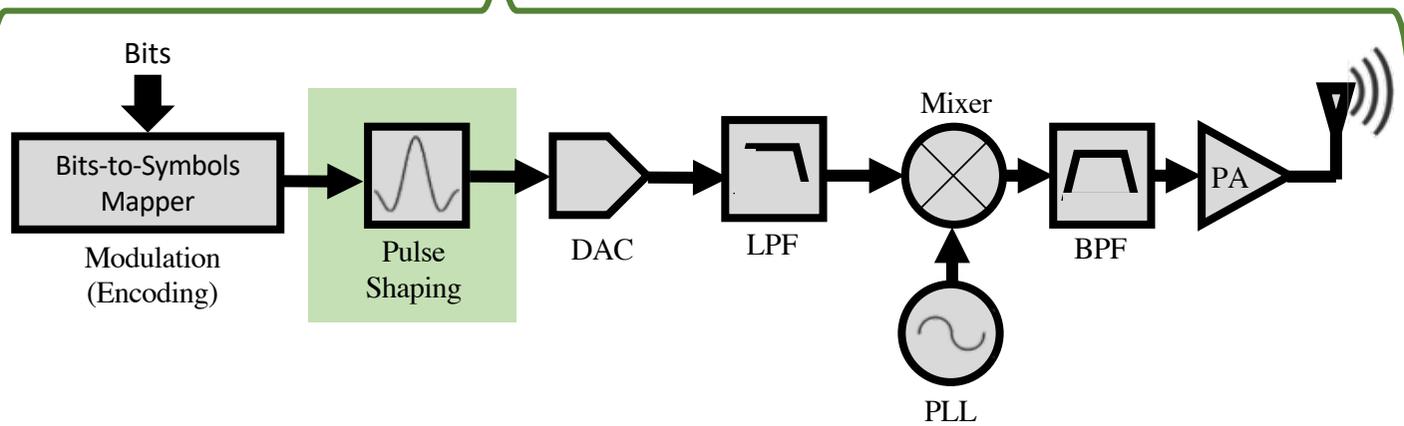
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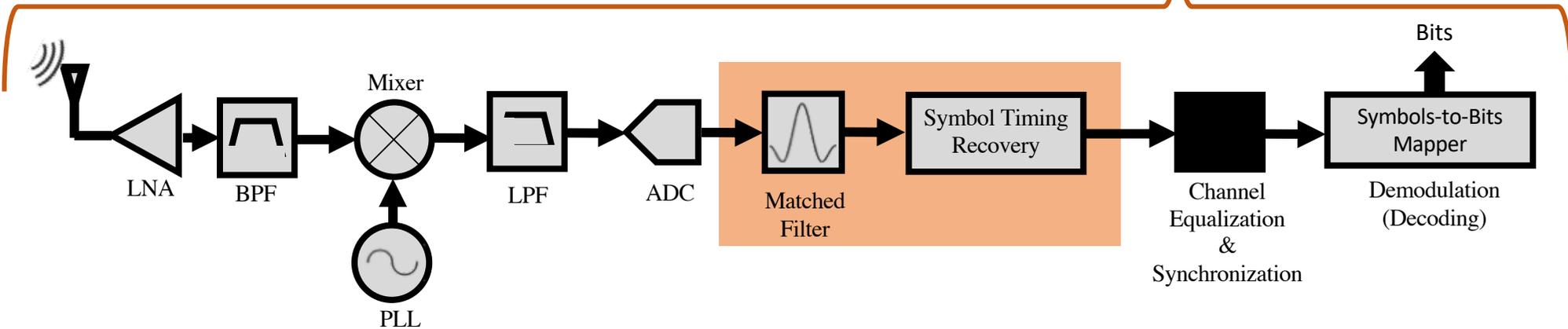
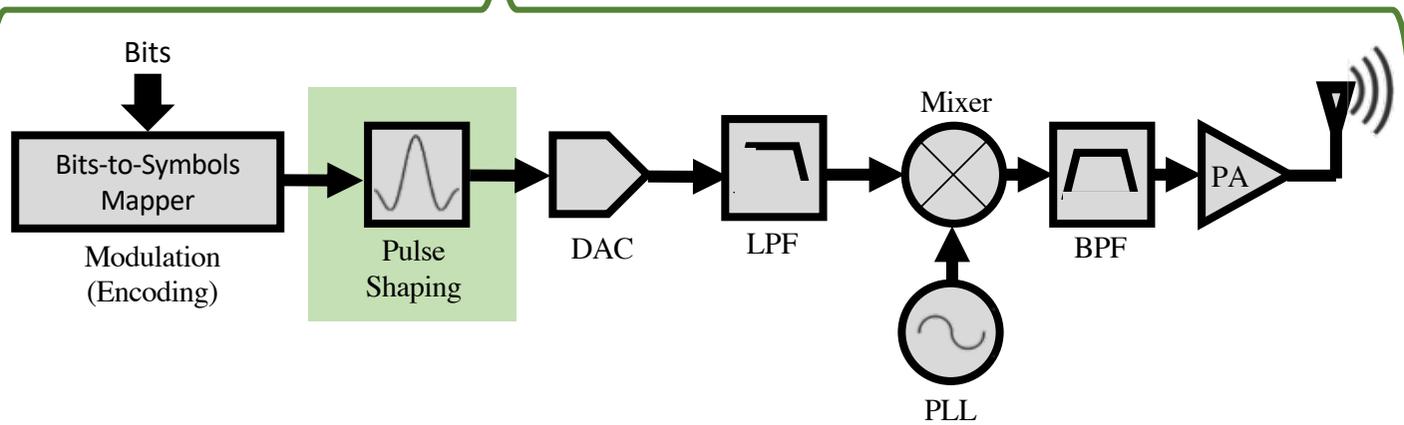
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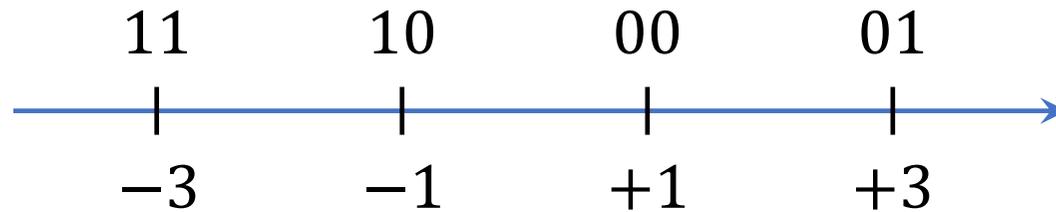
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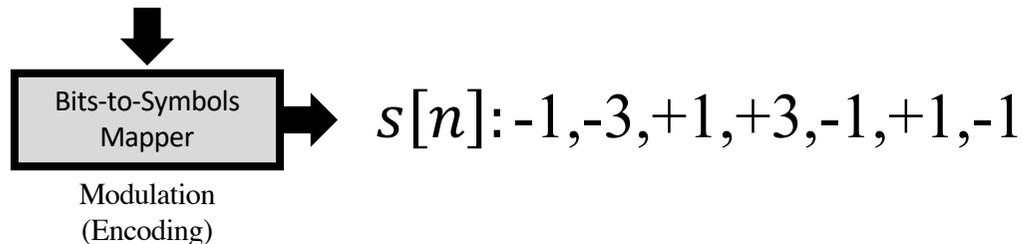
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# PAM: Pulse Amplitude Modulation



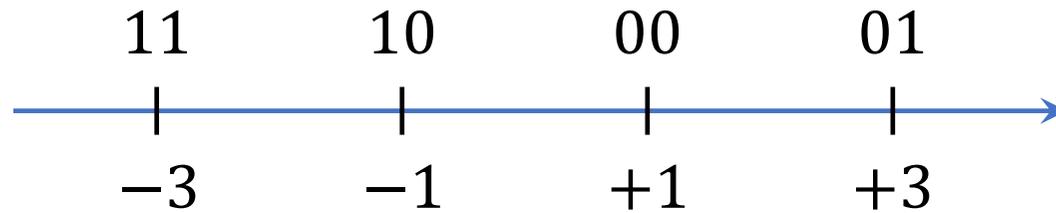
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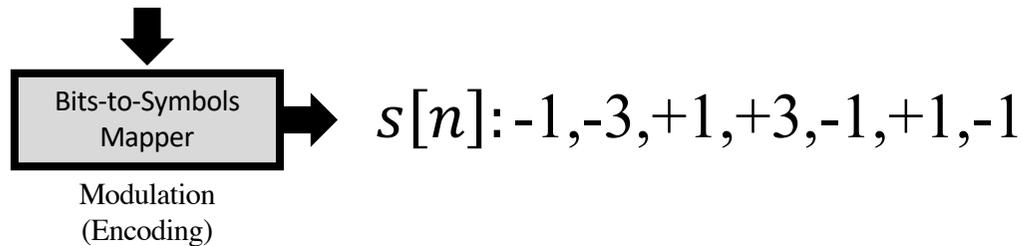
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- $T_b$ : Symbol Time/ Baud Time
- $R_b = \frac{1}{T_b}$ : Symbol Rate or Baud Rate
- $p(t)$ : pulse shape

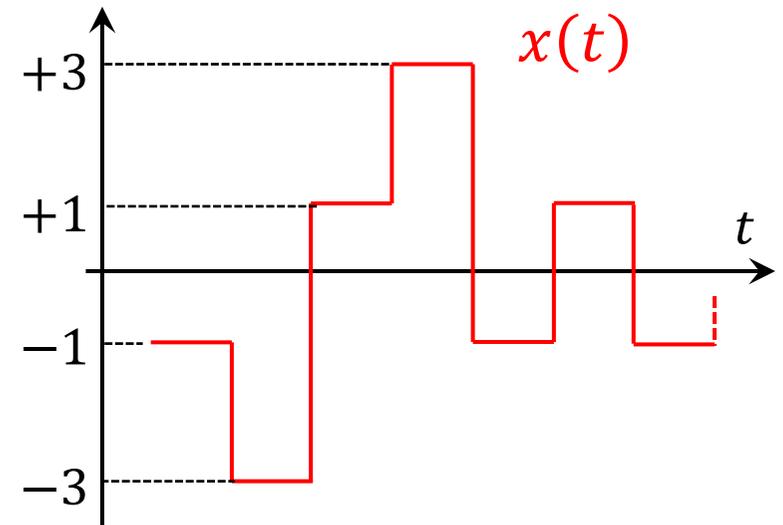
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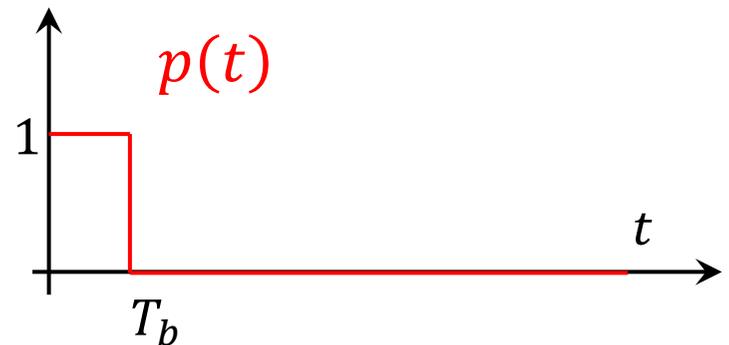


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- Simplest pulse shape: Rectangle

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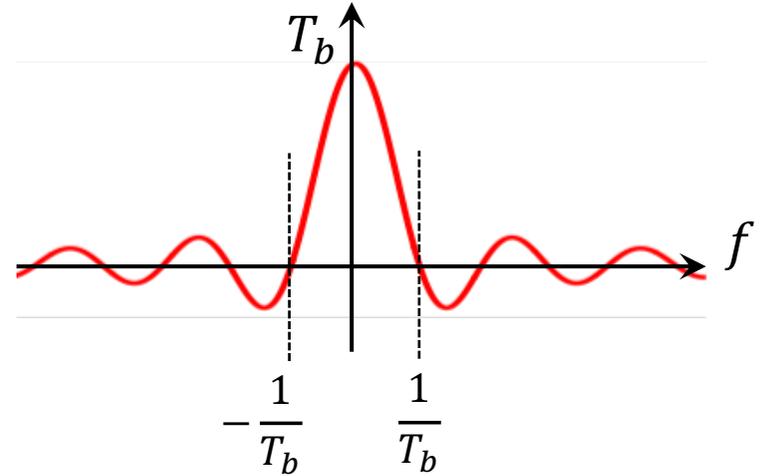


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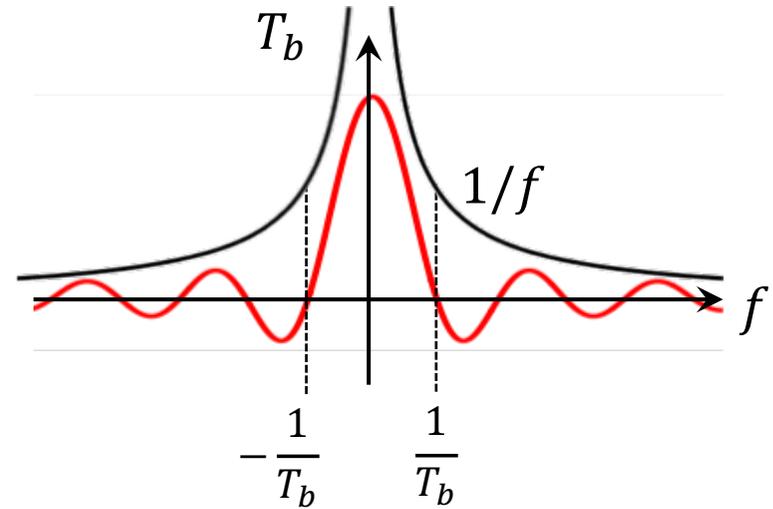


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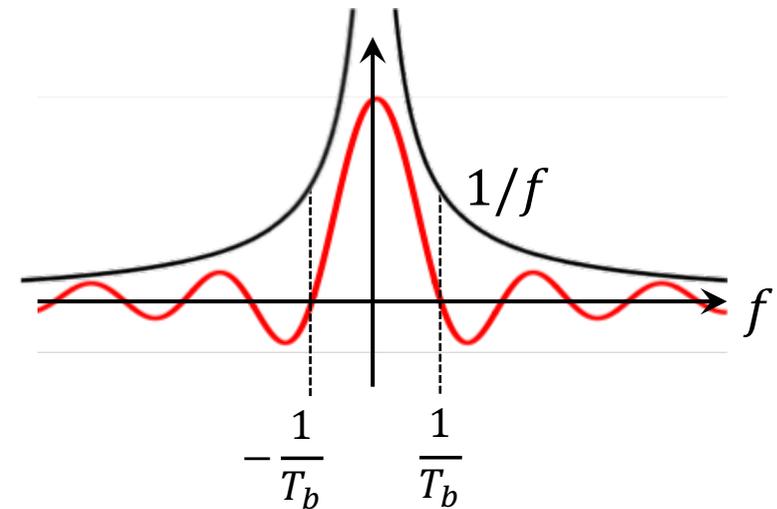


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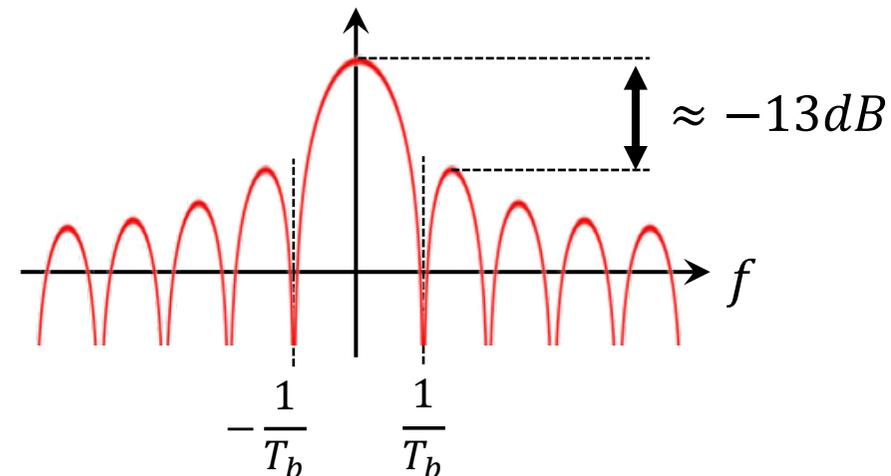


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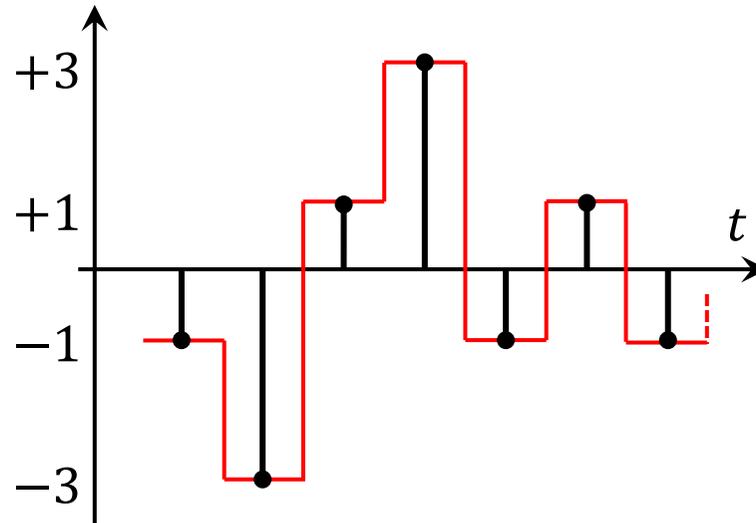
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- Low spectral efficiency

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Satisfies the Nyquist Criterion For Inter-Symbol-Interference



Sampled Values:  $r[n] = -1, -3, +1, +3, -1, +1, -1 \dots$

➡  $r[n] = s[n]$  ➡ **No Inter-Symbol-Interference (ISI)**

ISI:  $r[n] = s[n] + p(T_b)s[n-1] + p(2T_b)s[n-2] + \dots$

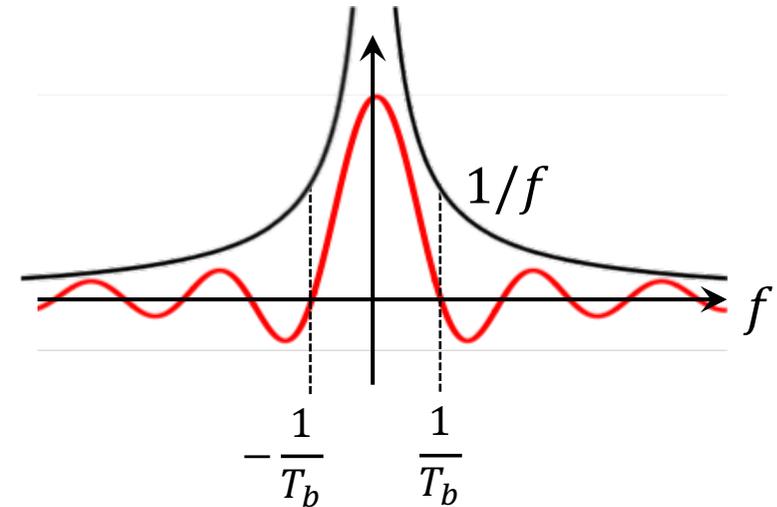
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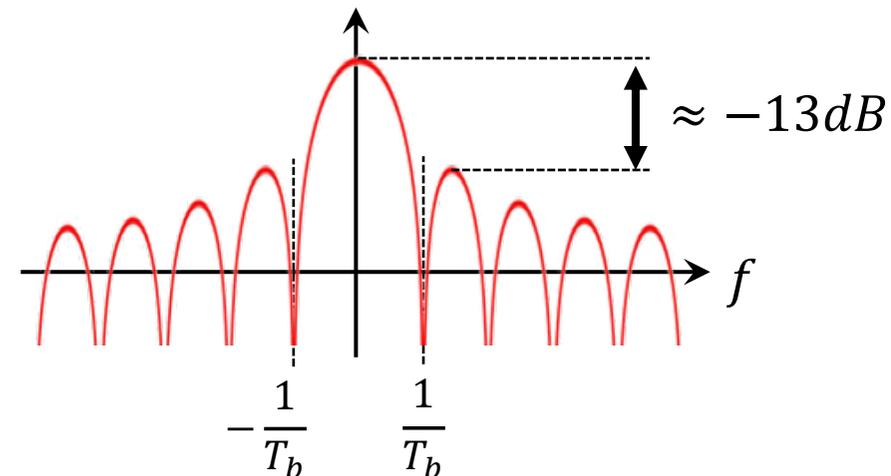


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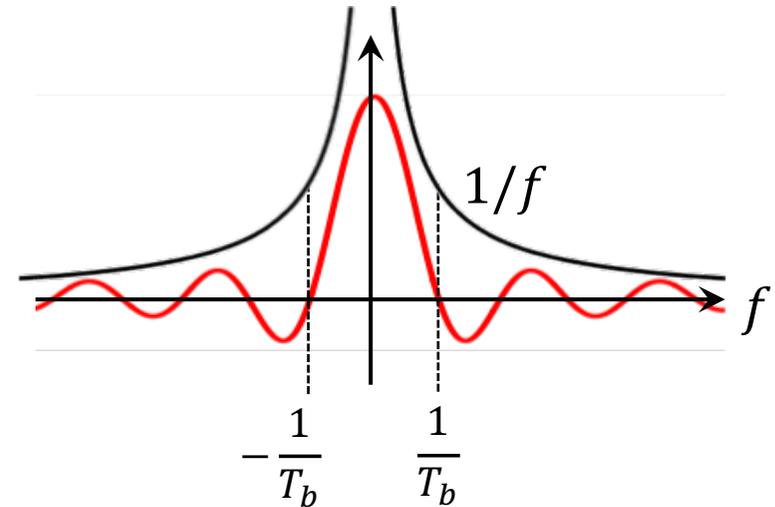


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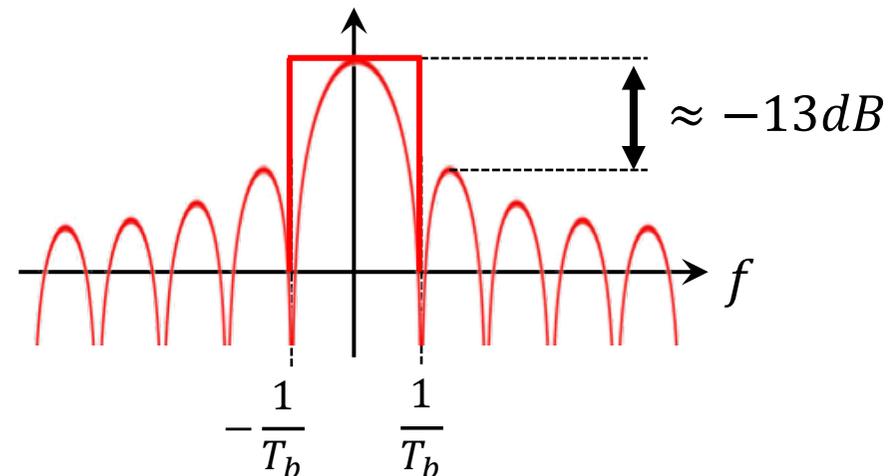


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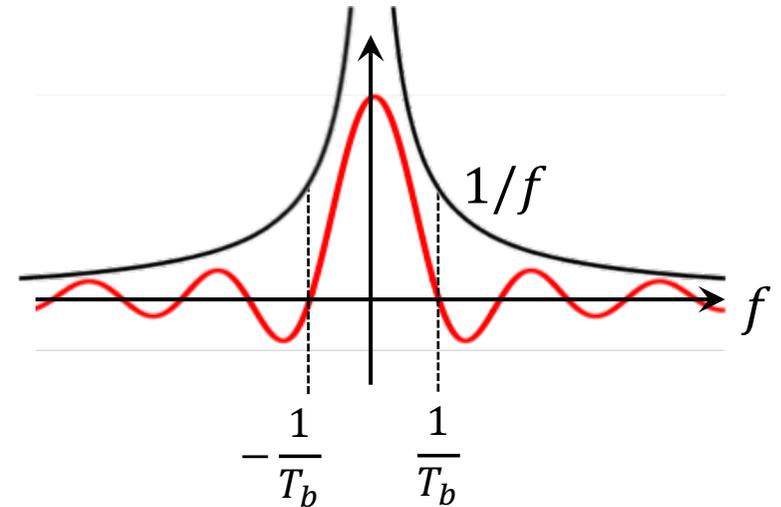


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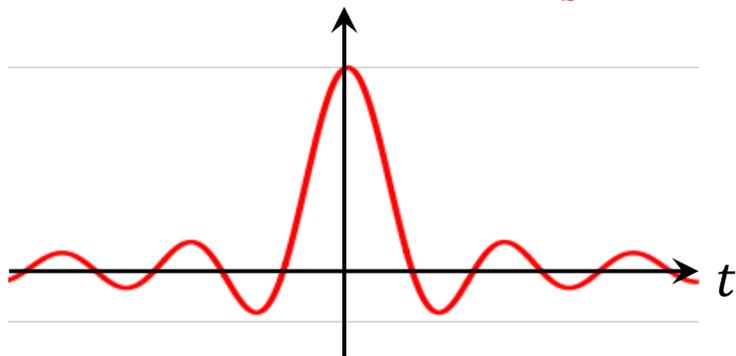
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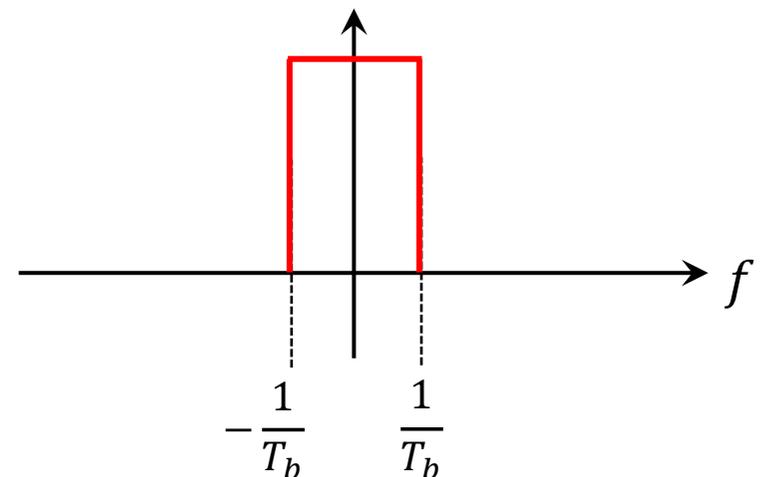
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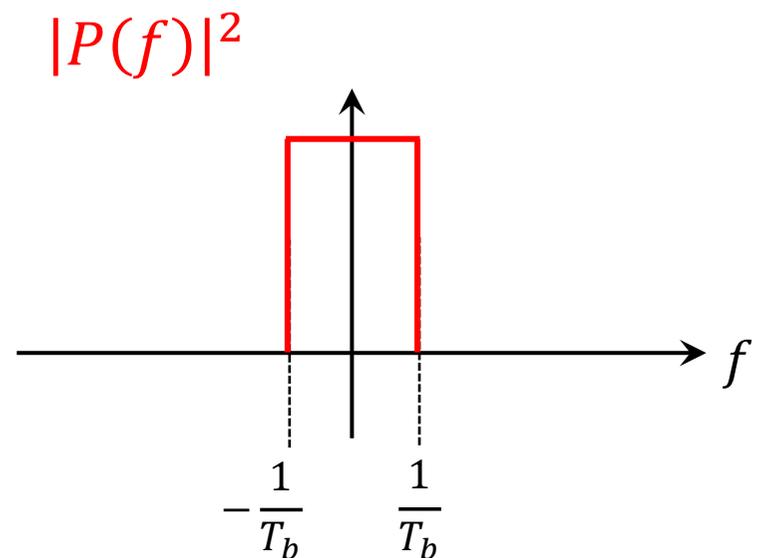
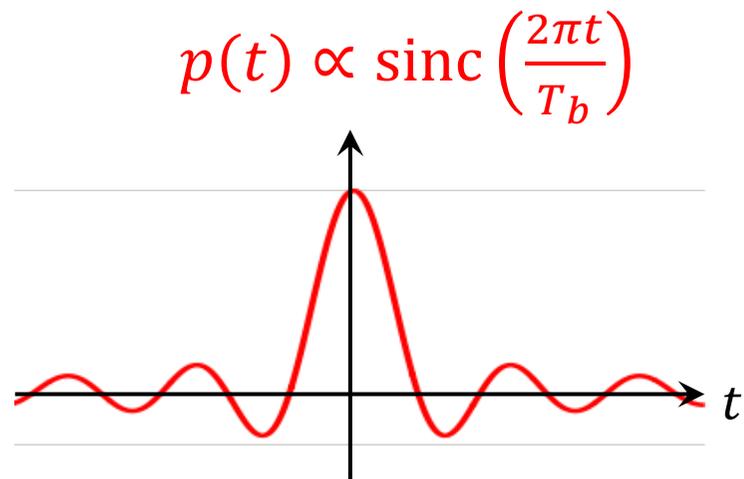
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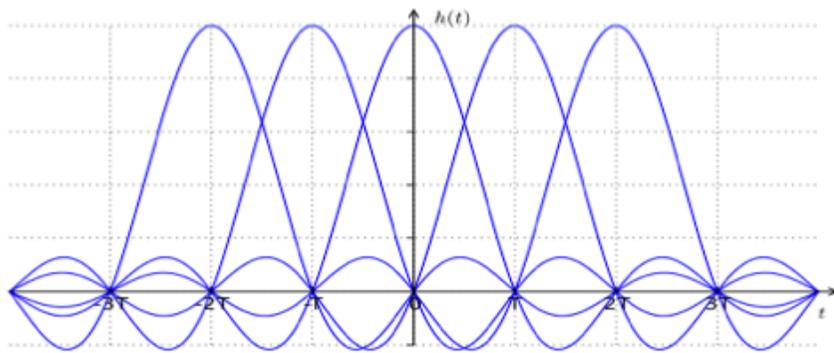
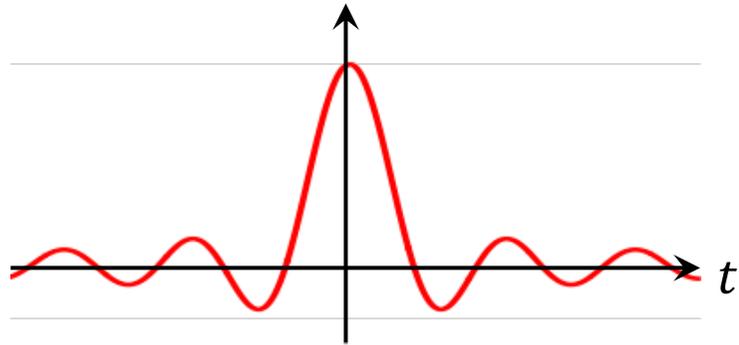


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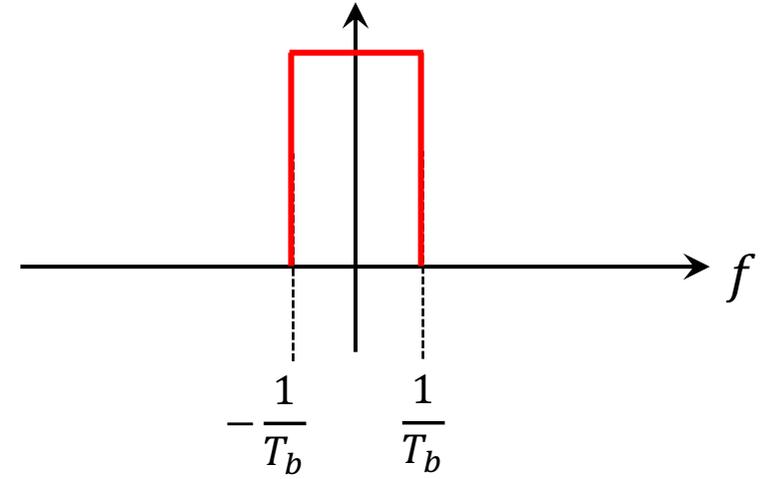


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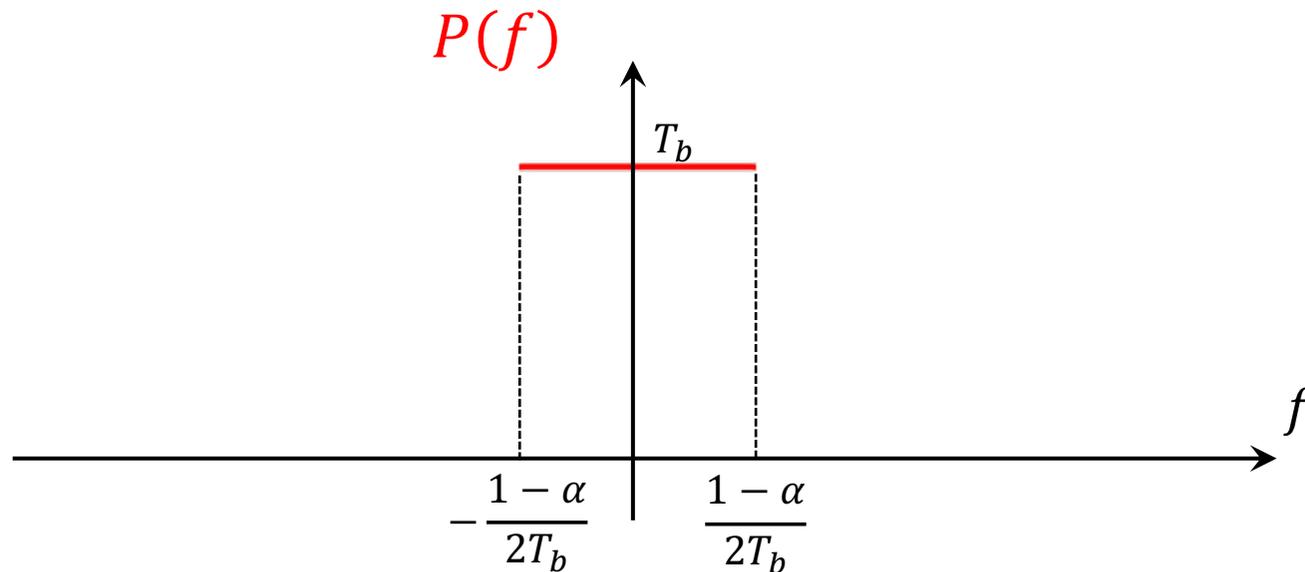


- Infinite Response  $\rightarrow$  Impossible to realize in practice
- High ISI if sampling is not perfect
- + No ISI if sampling is aligned
- + Bandlimited in Frequency

# Pulse Shaping: Raised Cosine

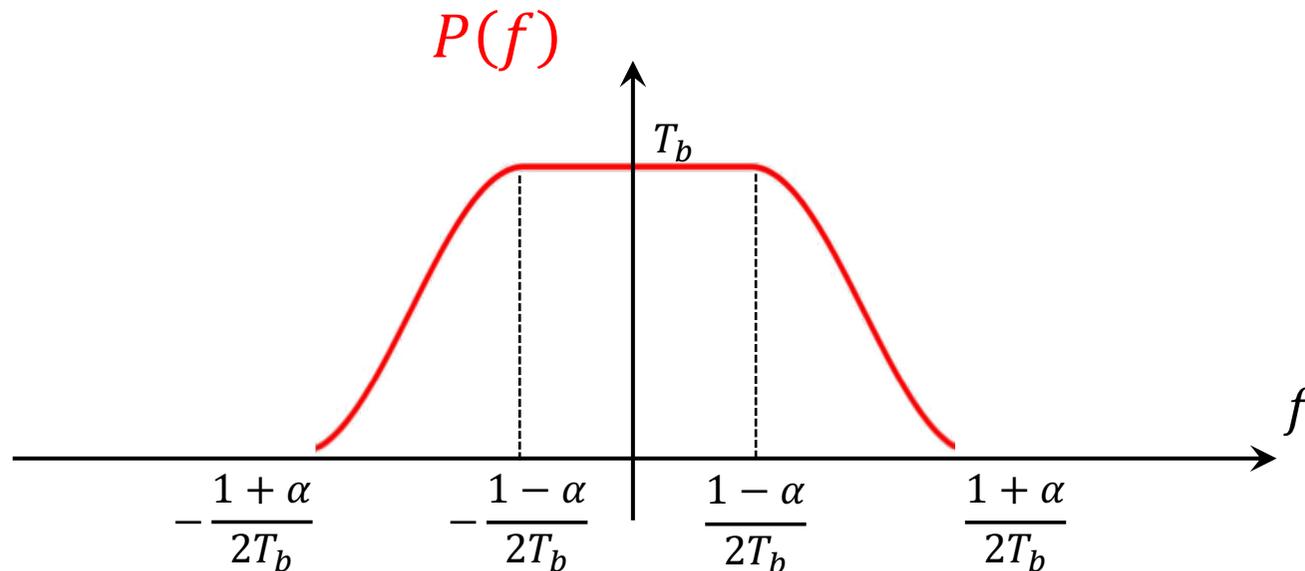
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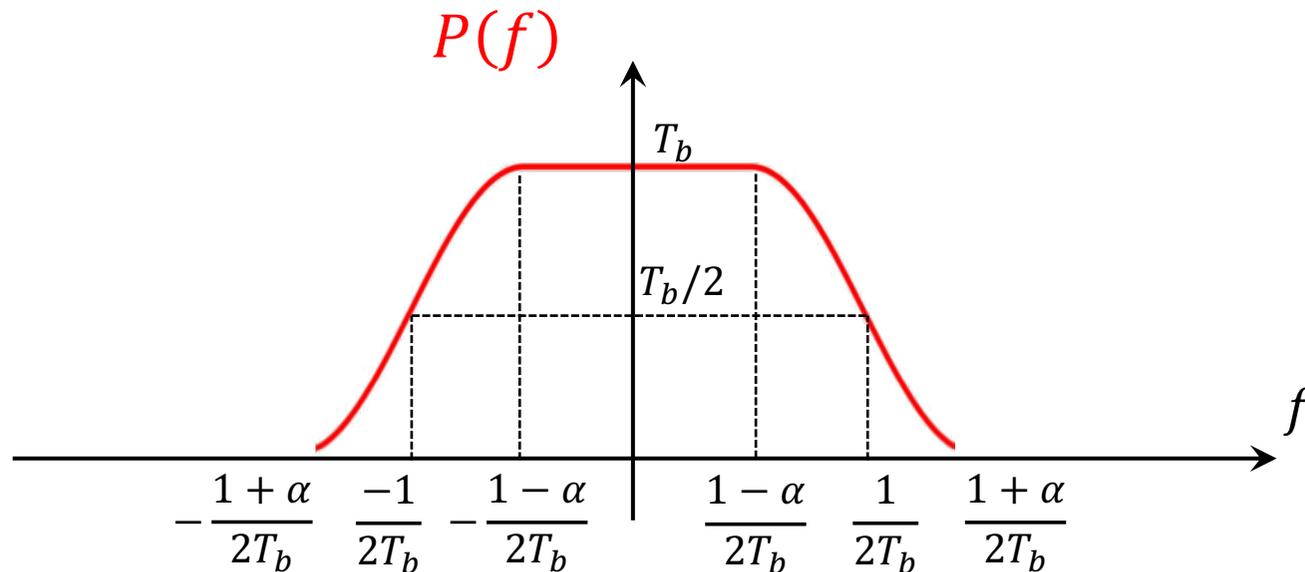
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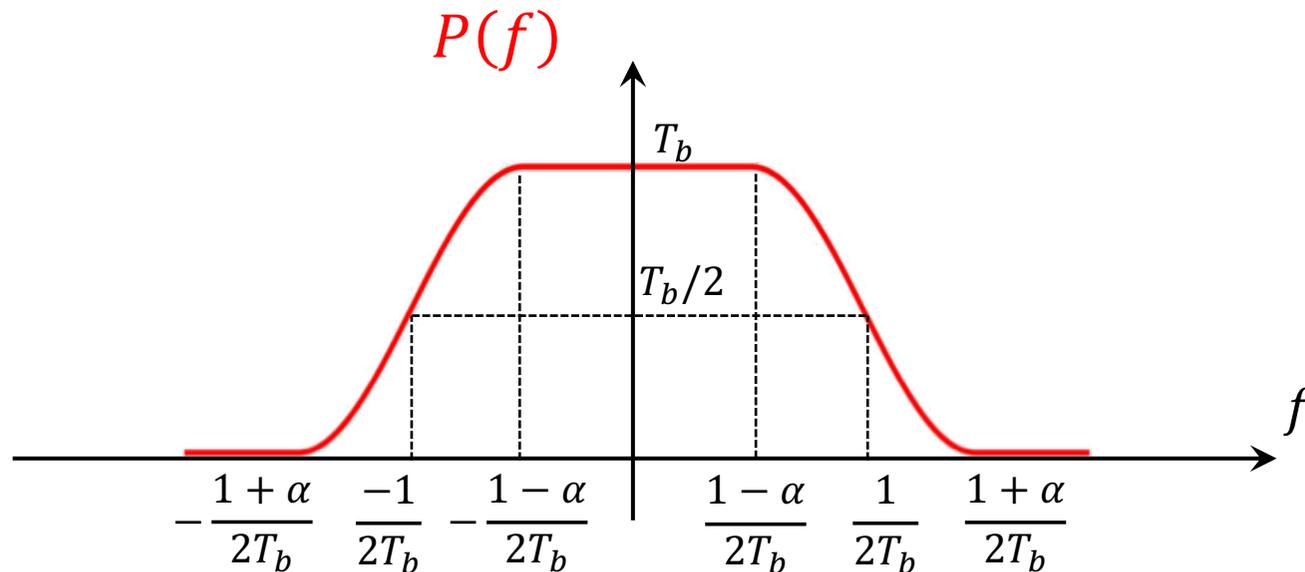
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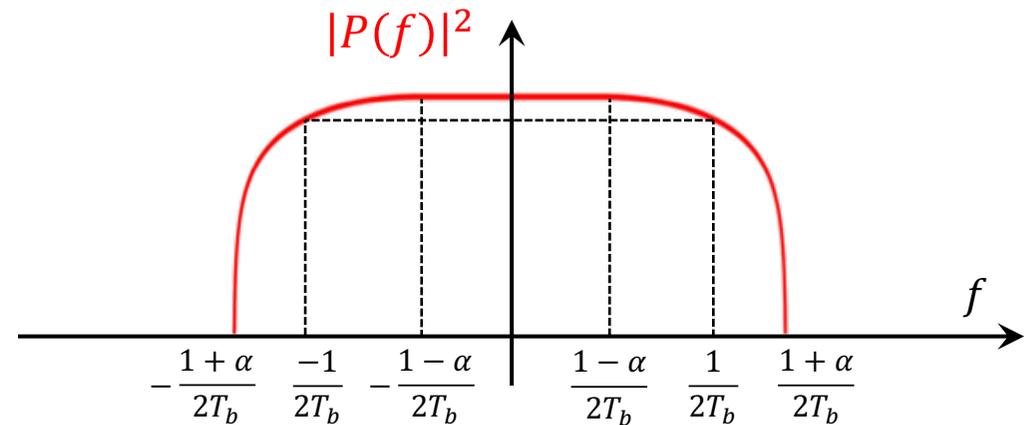
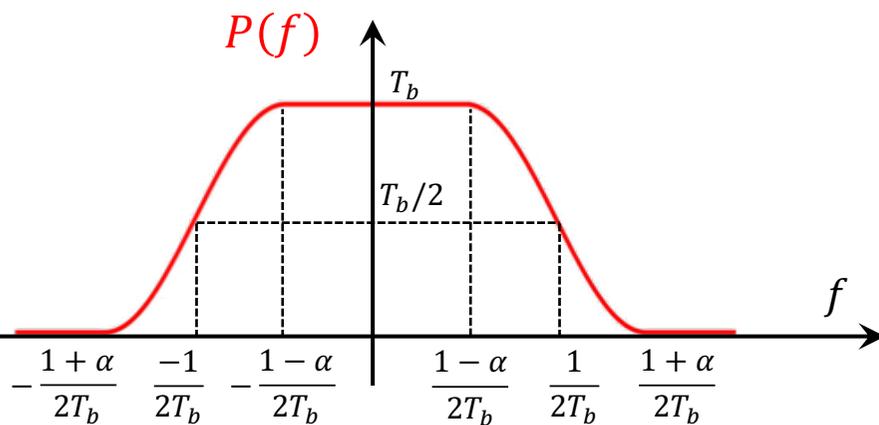
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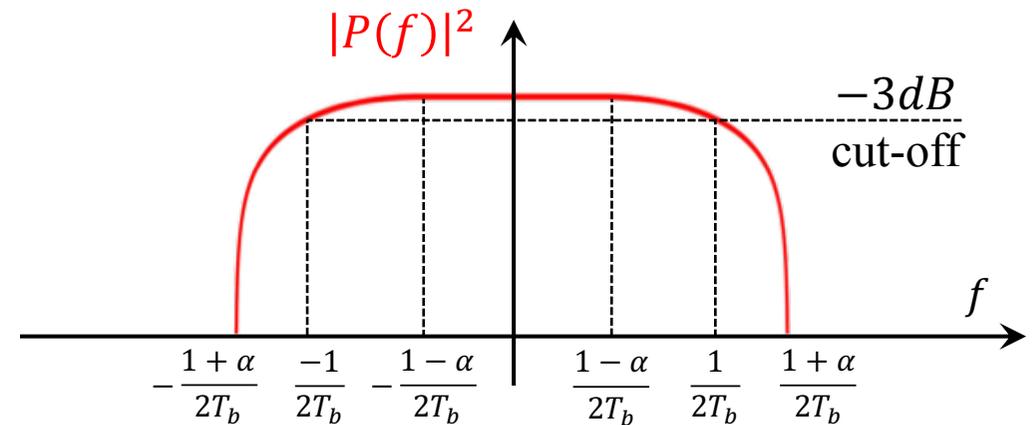
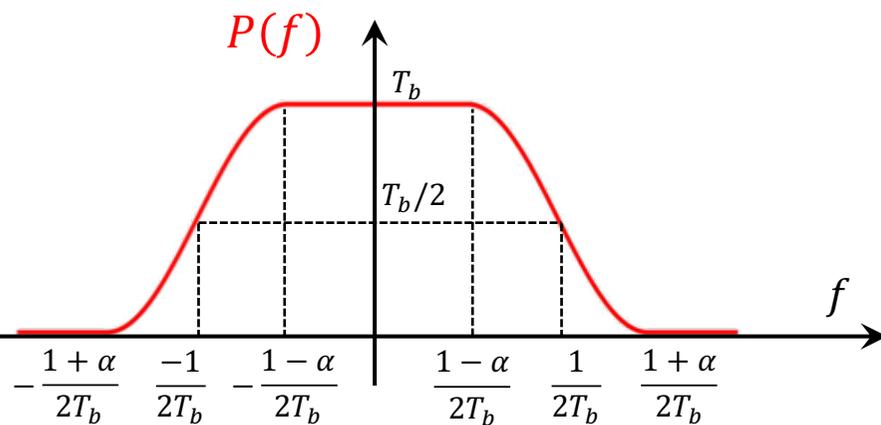
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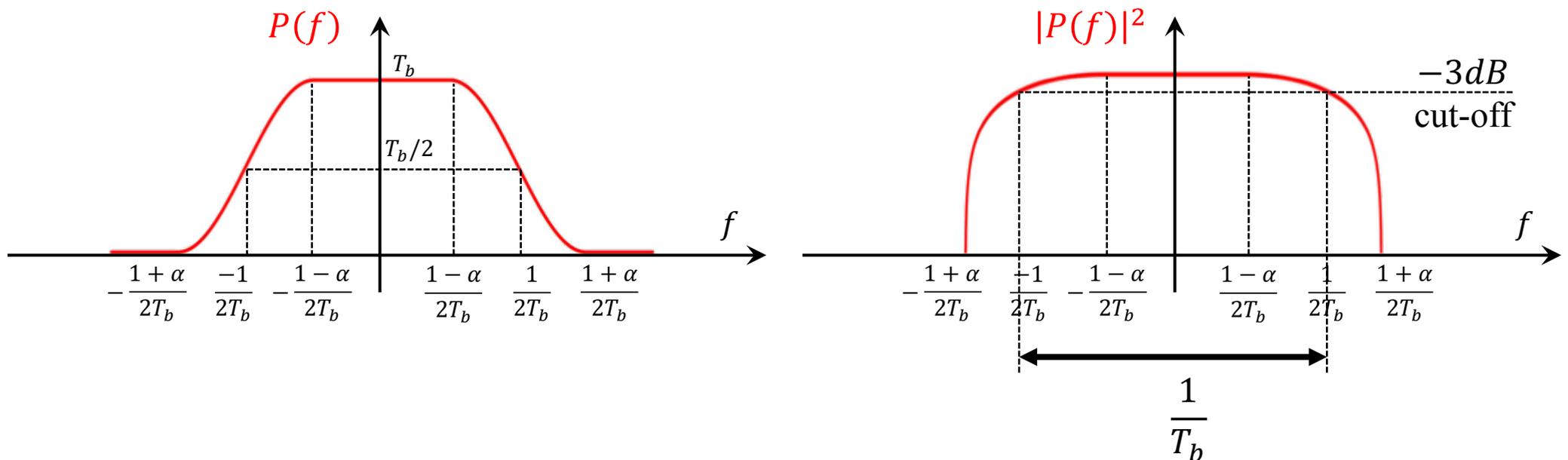
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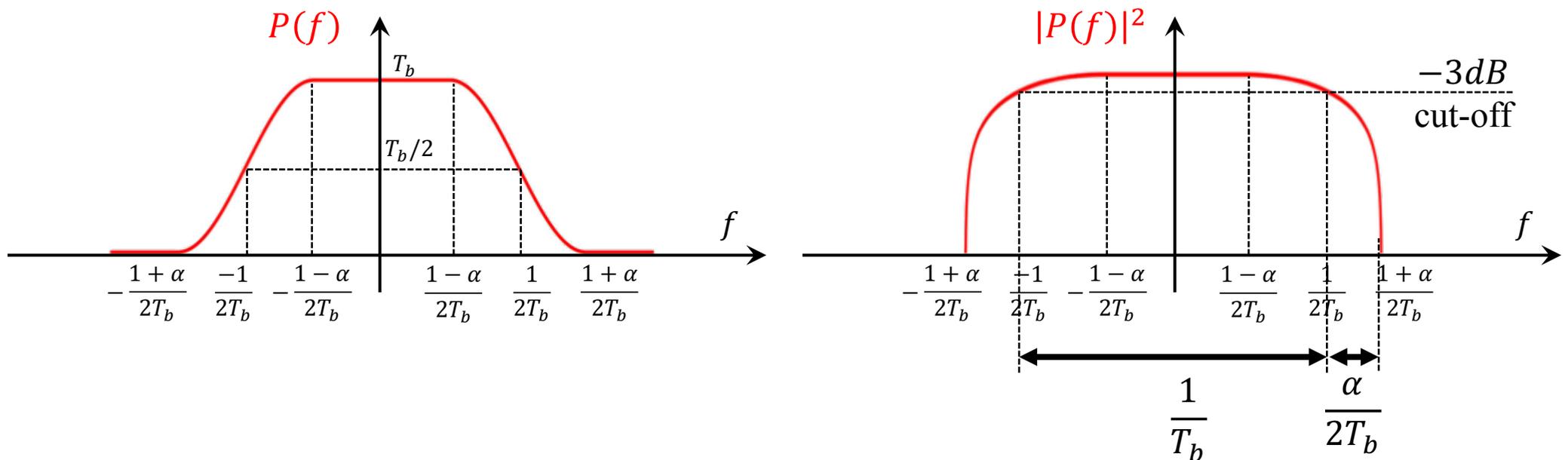
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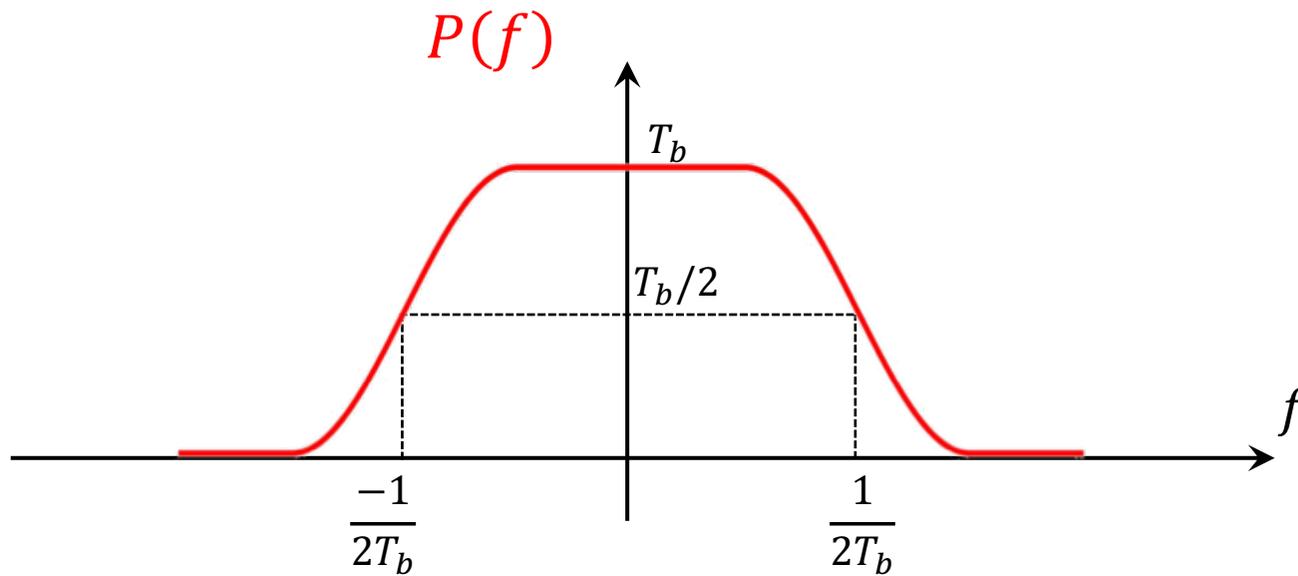


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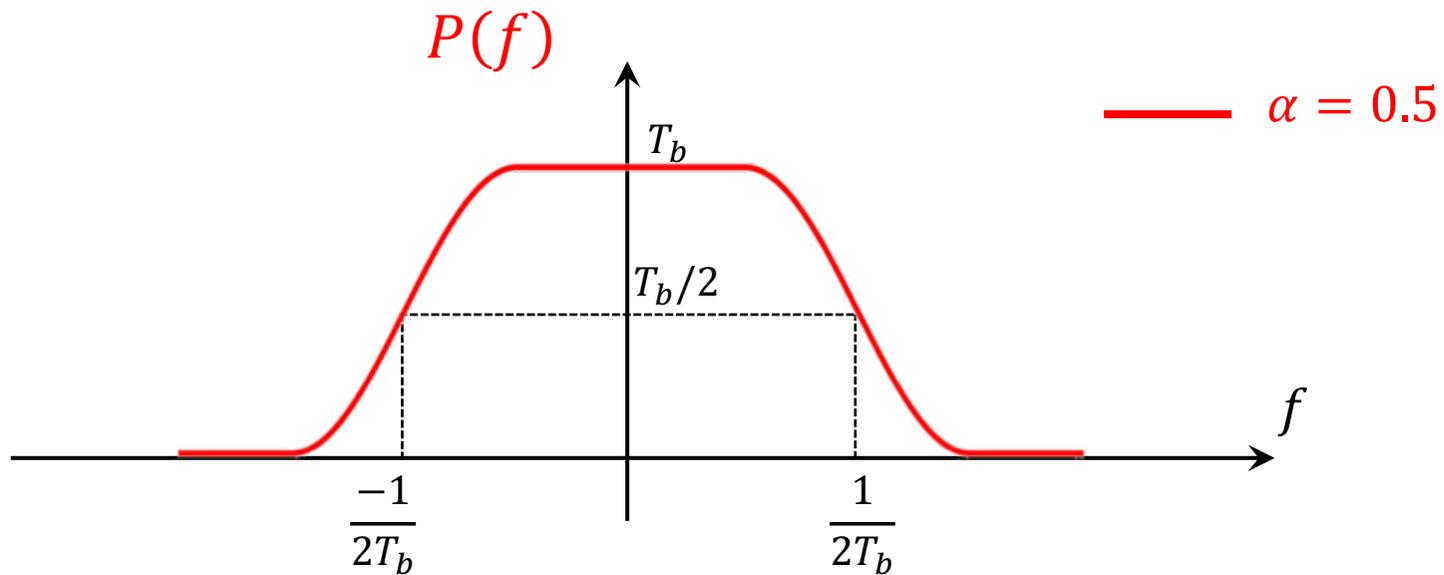
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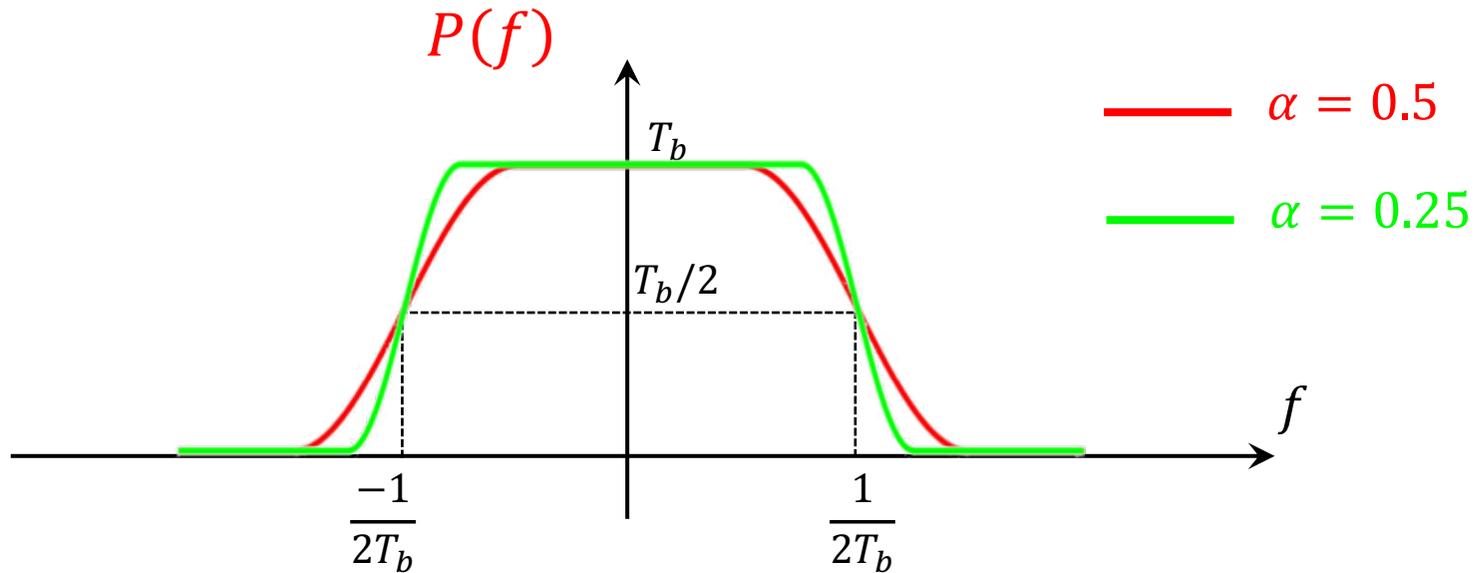


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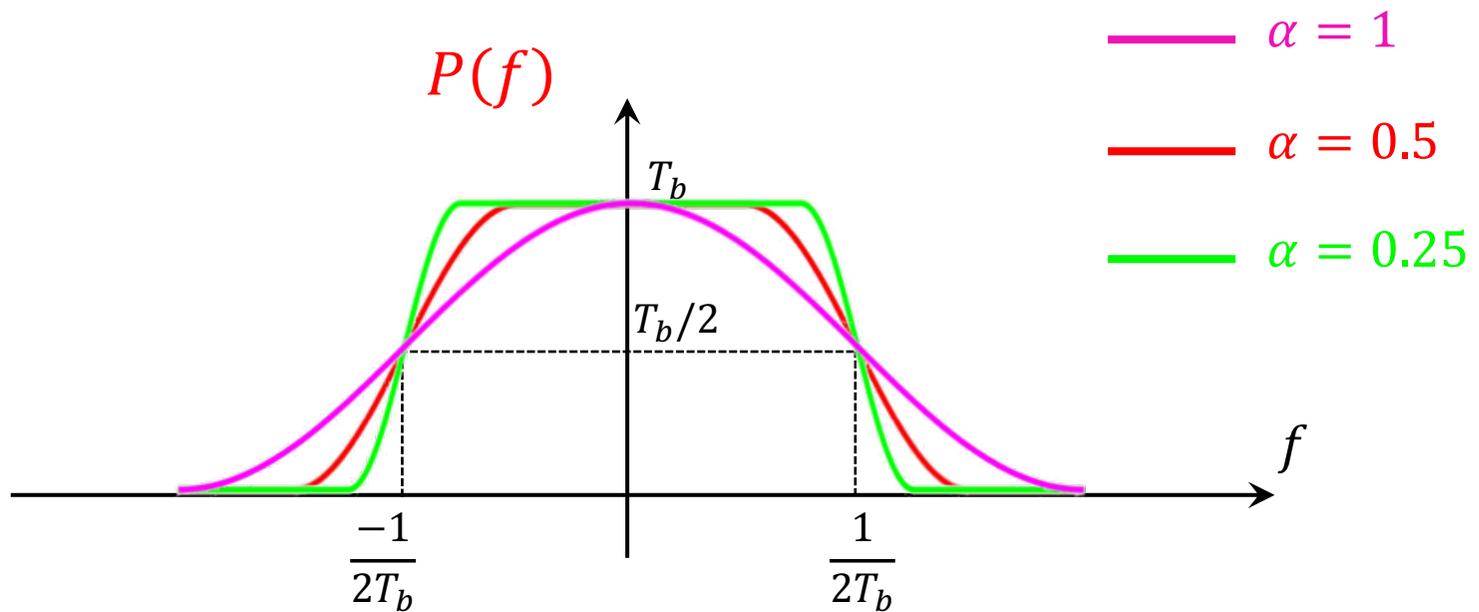
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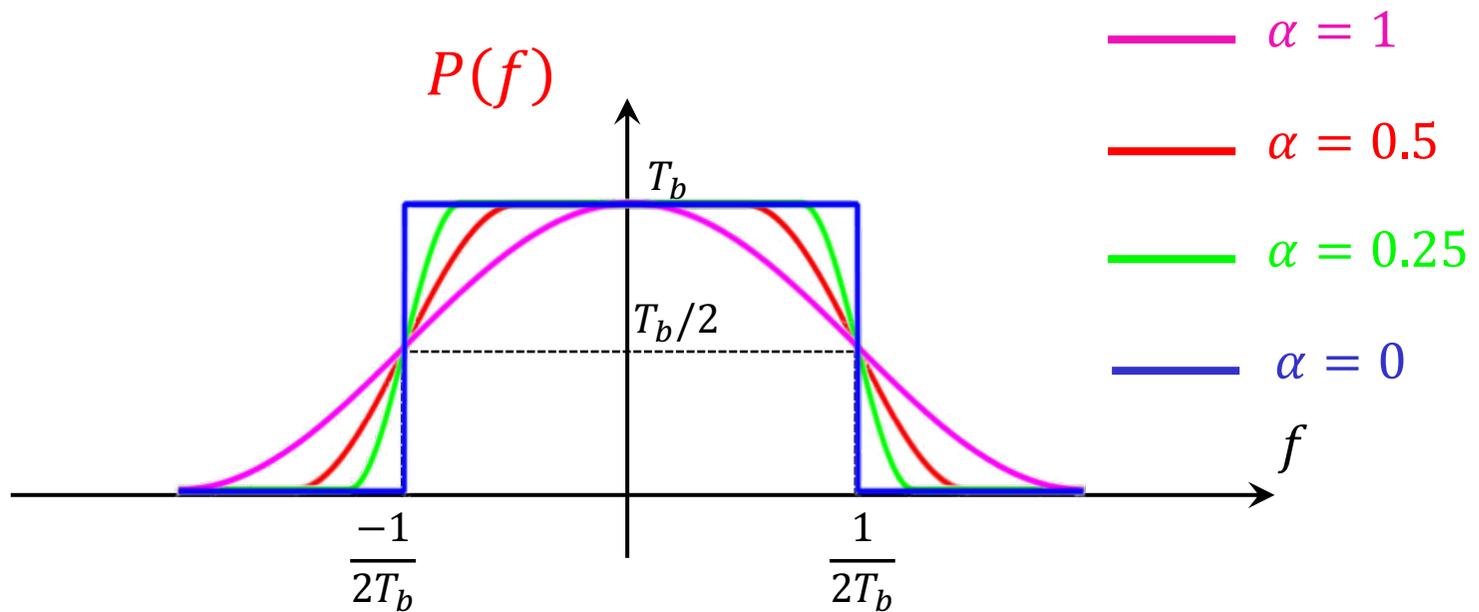
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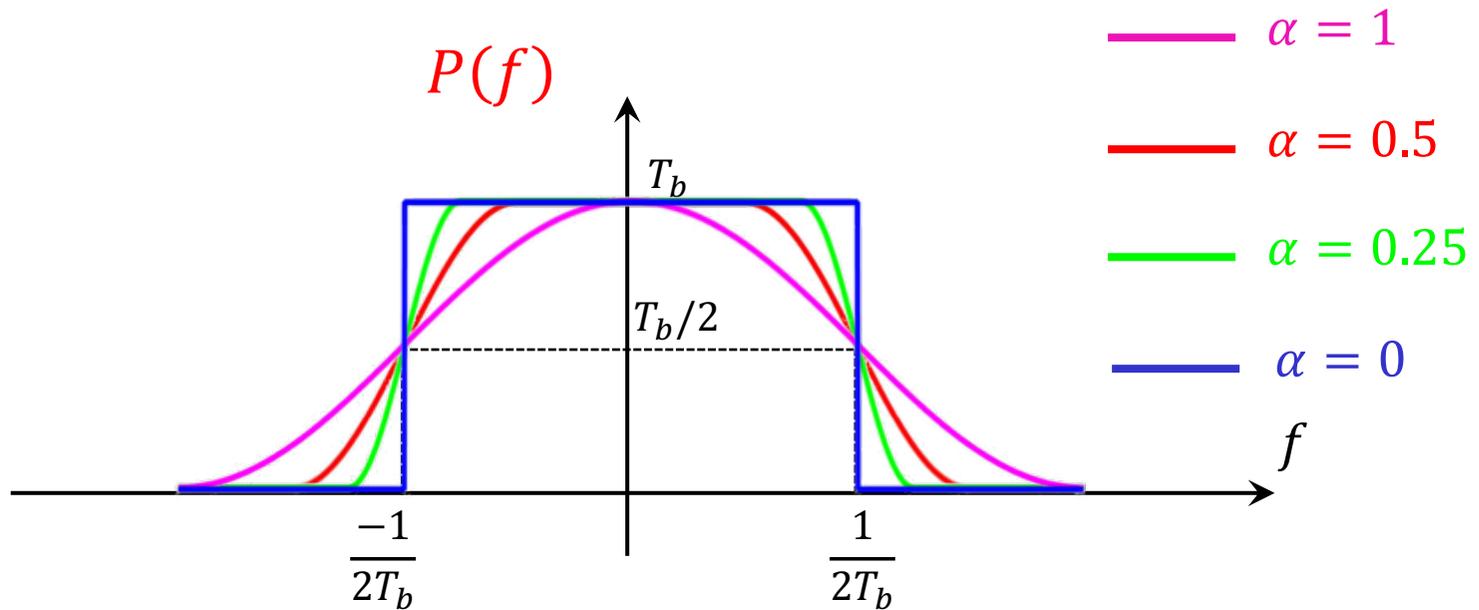
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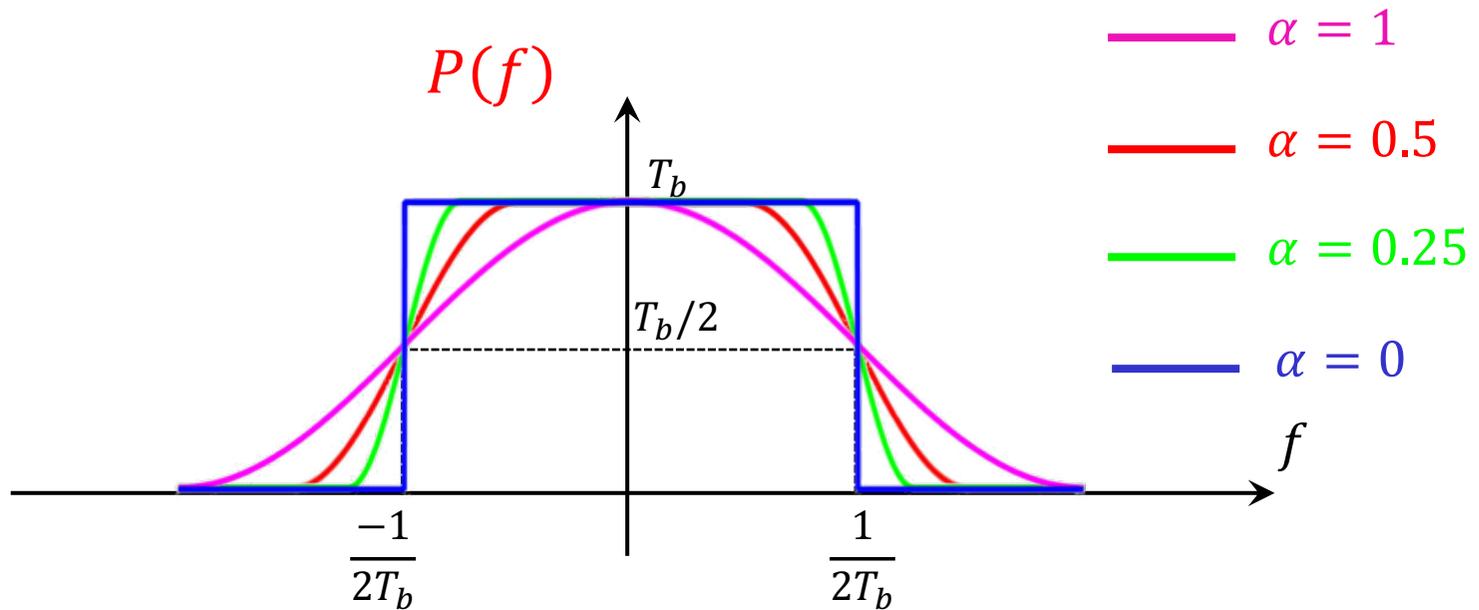
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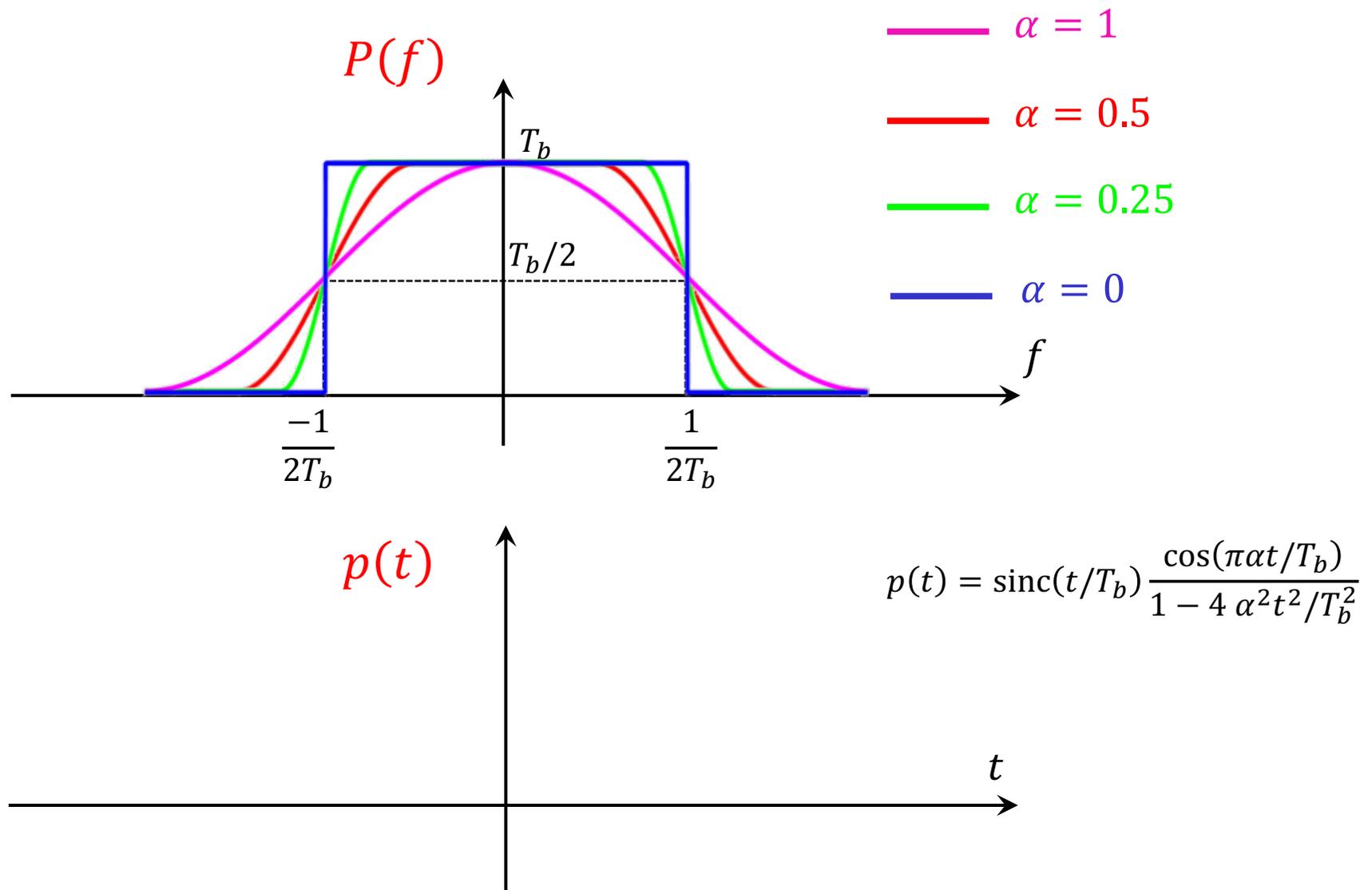
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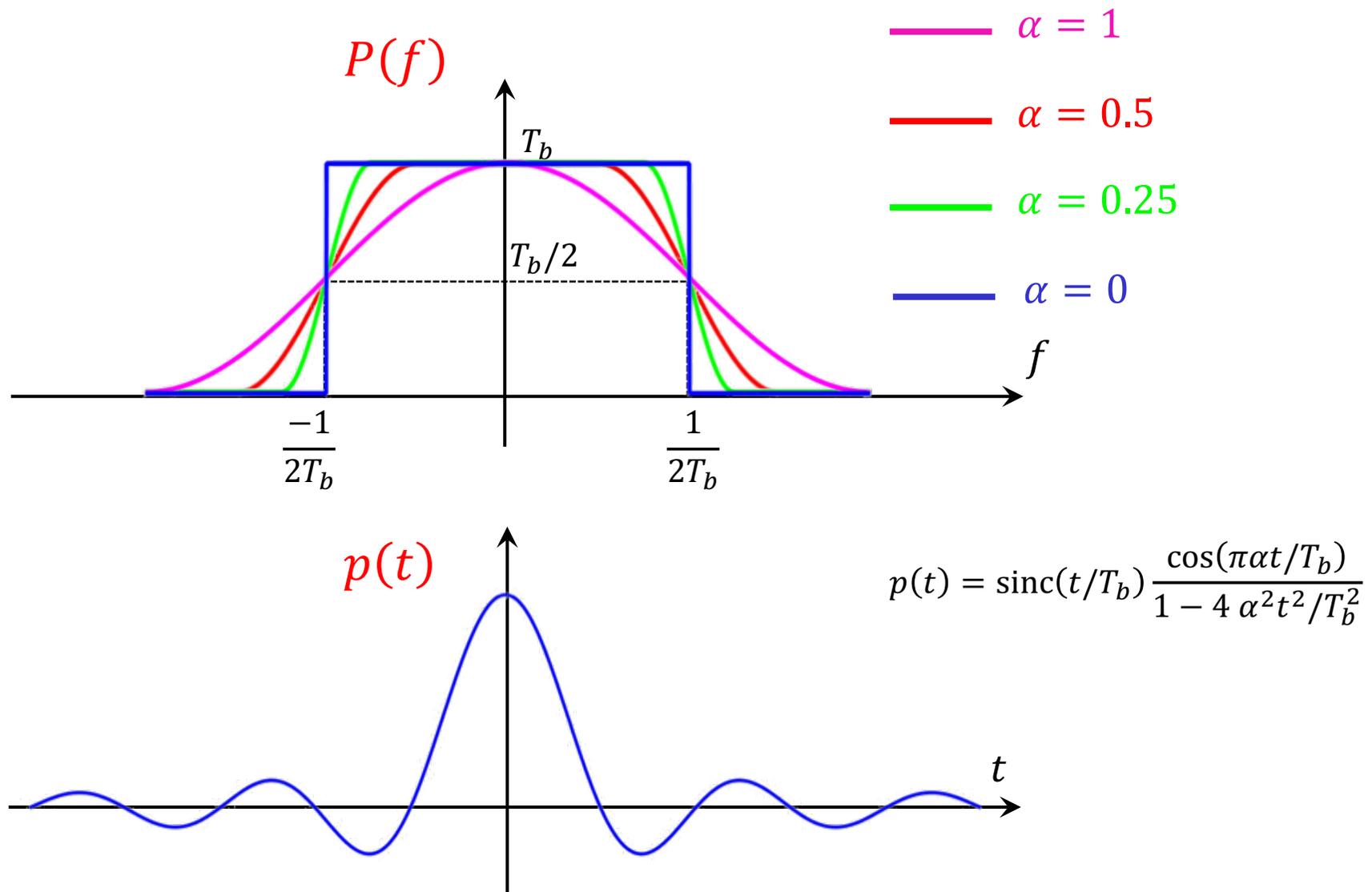


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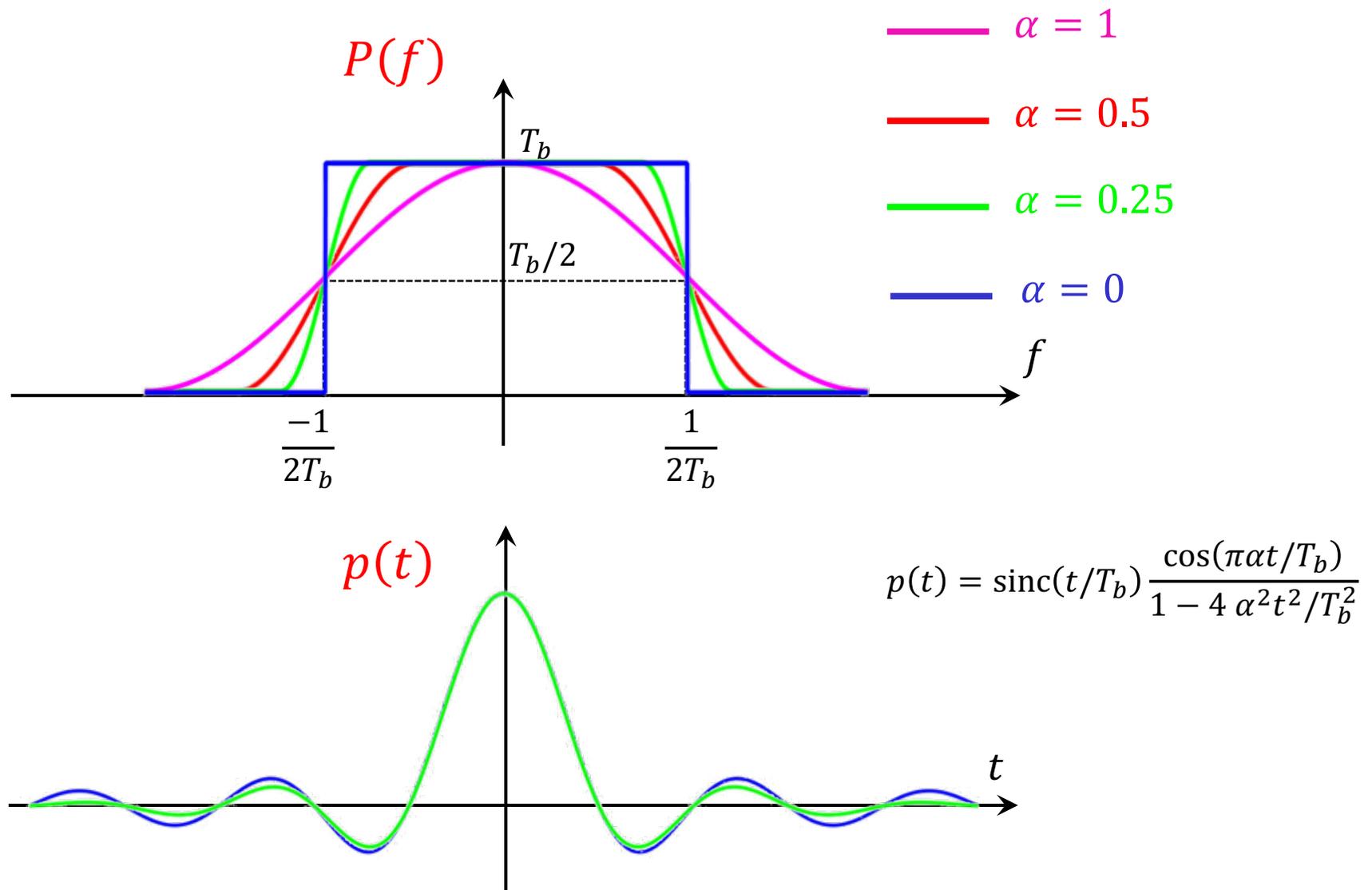


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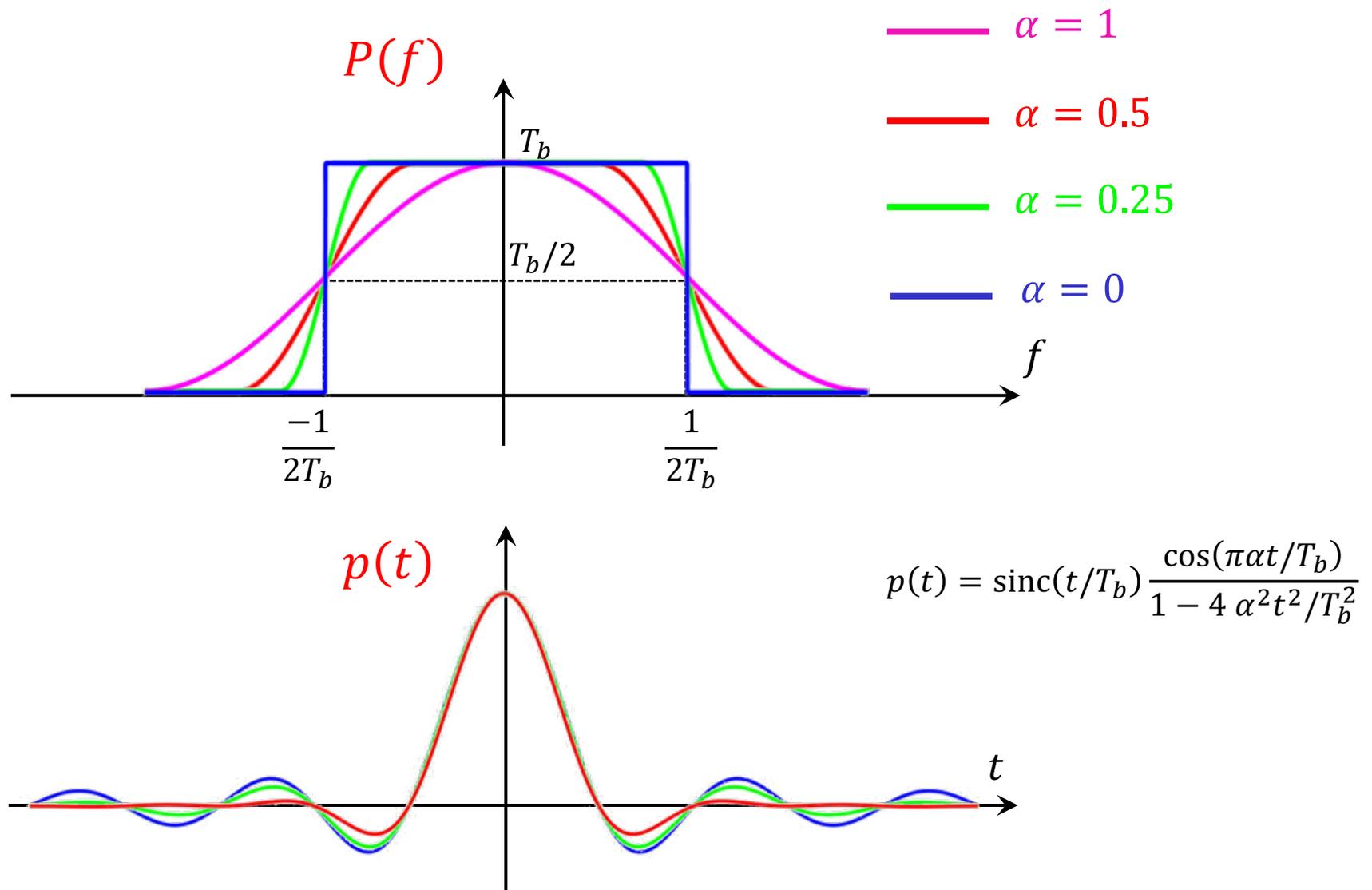


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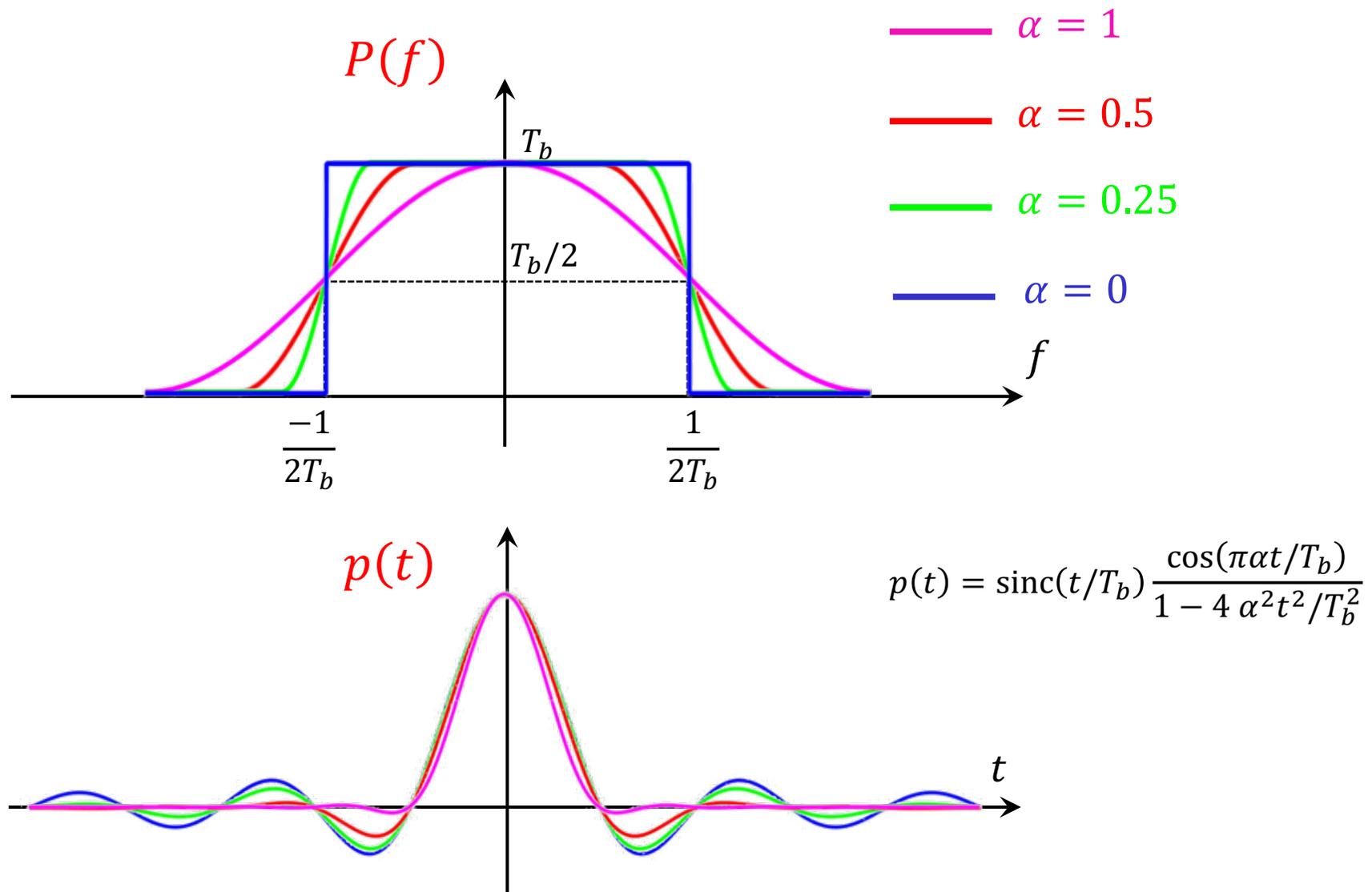


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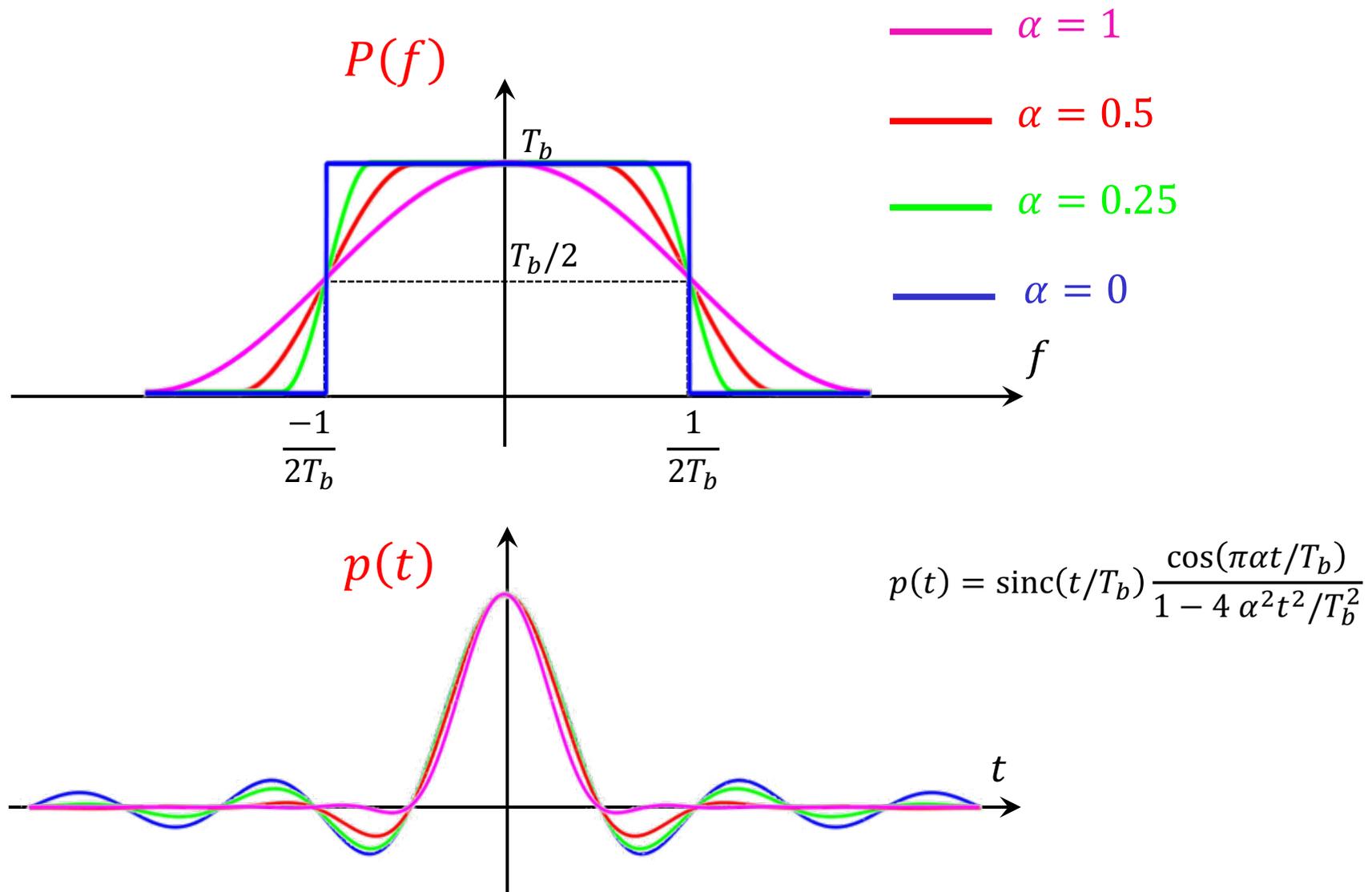


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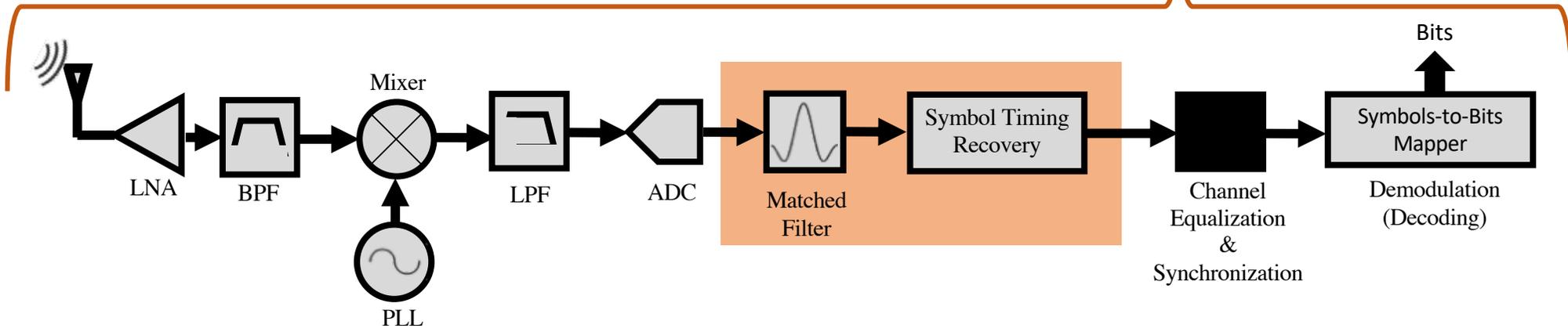
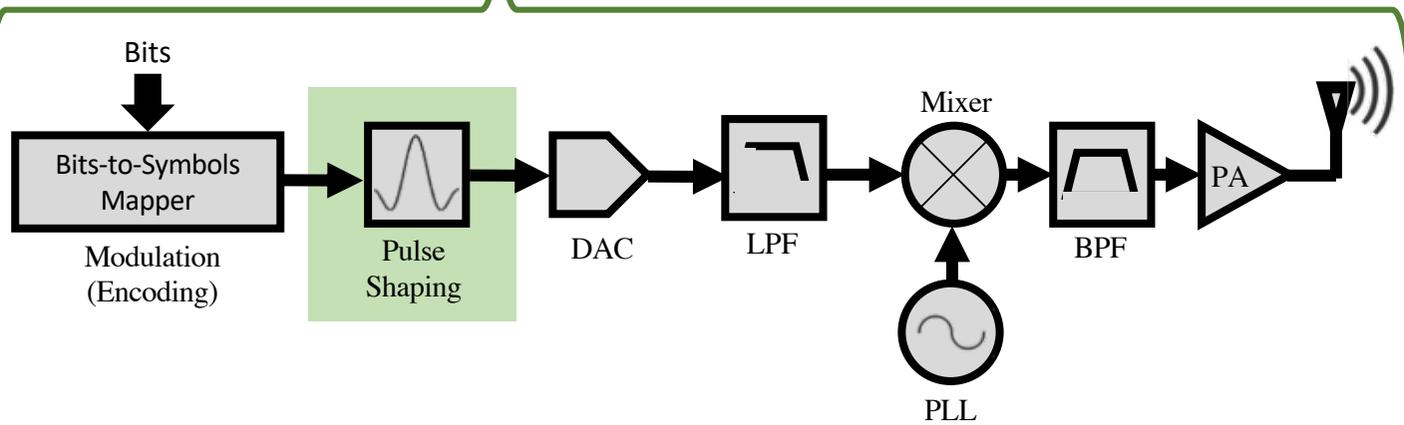
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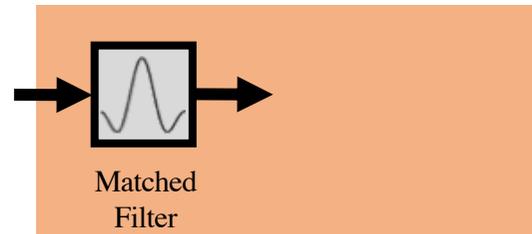
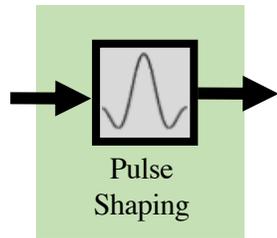
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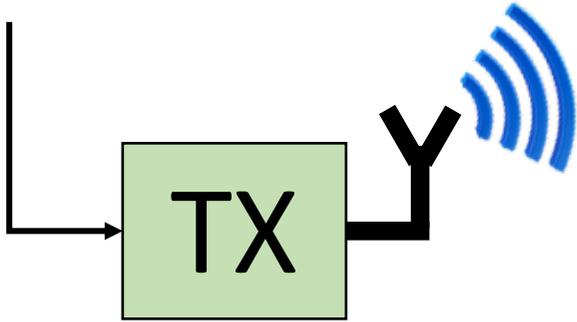


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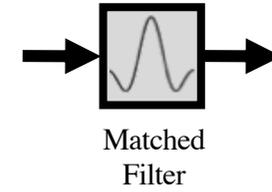
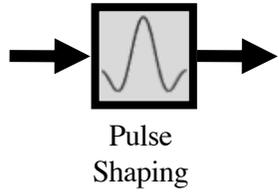
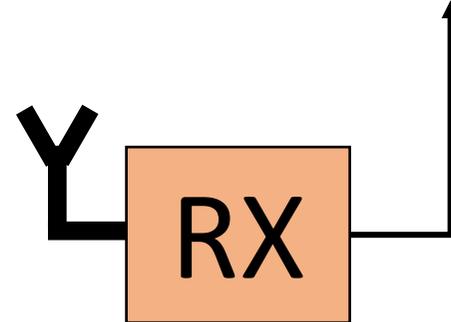


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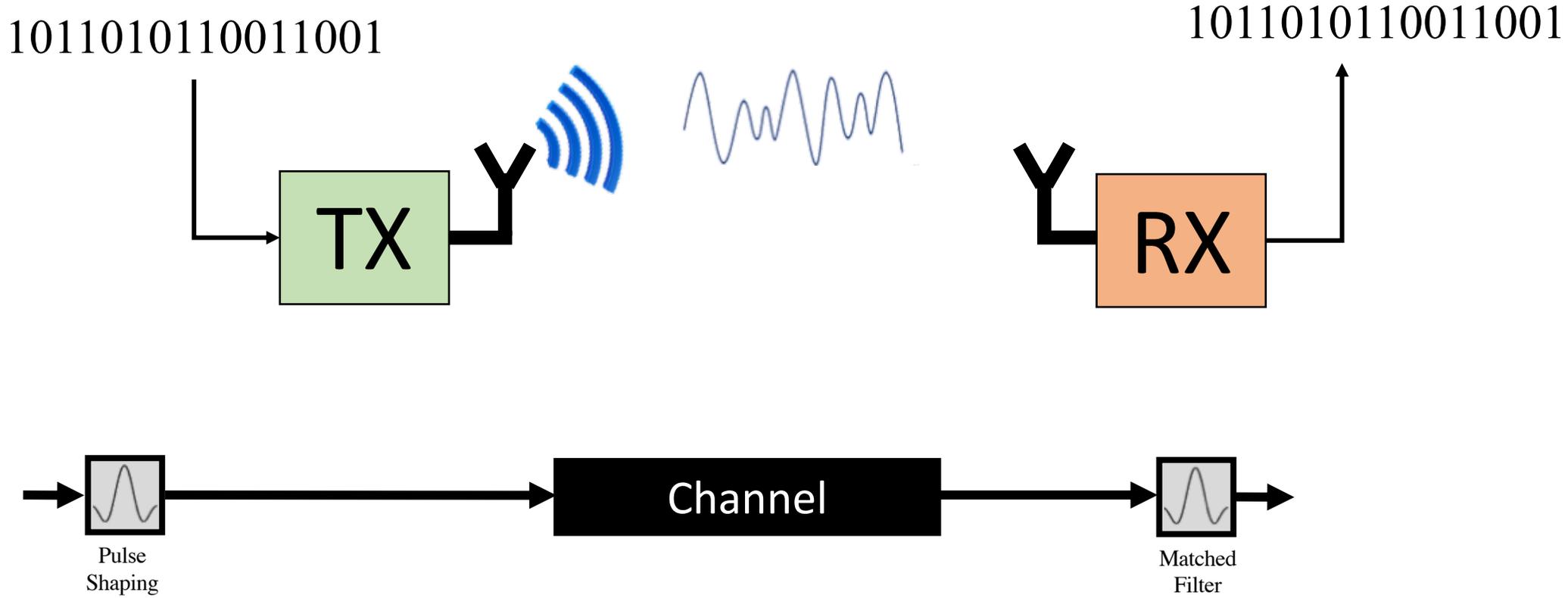
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# Pulse Shaping and Matched Filtering



# Pulse Shaping and Matched Filtering



$$s[n] \rightarrow x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} s[n]p(t - nT_b)$$

Let us focus on a single symbol i.e., single  $n$

# Pulse Shaping and Matched Filtering



$$s[n] \rightarrow x(t) = s(t) * p(t)$$

$$s(t) = s[n]\delta(t - nT_b)$$

# Pulse Shaping and Matched Filtering



$$s[n] \rightarrow x(t) = s(t) * p_T(t)$$

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# Pulse Shaping and Matched Filtering



$$s[n] \Rightarrow x(t) = s(t) * p_T(t) \Rightarrow y(t) = x(t) + v(t)$$

Consider Simple AWGN Channel.  
 $v(t)$  is Gaussian noise.

# Pulse Shaping and Matched Filtering



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$$E[|\tilde{y}_v(nT_b)|^2] = E[|v(t) * p_R(t)|^2]$$

$$= \int |V(f)P_R(f)|^2 df$$

$$SNR = \frac{|\tilde{y}_s(nT_b)|^2}{E[|\tilde{y}_v(nT_b)|^2]}$$

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**GOAL: Find  $P_R(f)$  that maximizes the SNR**

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**Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality :**

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int P_T(f) P_R(f) \right|^2 &\leq \int |P_T(f)|^2 \cdot \int |P_R(f)|^2 \\ &= \int |P_T(f)|^2 \cdot \int |P_R(f)|^2 \quad \text{if } P_R(f) = C \cdot P_T^*(f) \end{aligned}$$

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**SNR is maximized when:**  $P_R(f) = C \cdot P_T^*(f) \Rightarrow p_R(t) = C \cdot p_T^*(-t)$

$p_R(t)$  matches  $p_T(t)$ ... hence, the name matched filter !

$$SNR = \frac{|s[n]|^2 \int |P_T(f)|^2 \int |P_R(f)|^2}{\frac{N_0}{2} \int |P_R(f)|^2} = \frac{2|s[n]|^2}{N_0}$$

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$p(t)$  should satisfy Nyquist Criterion for ISI

- Let  $p(t)$  be a raised cosine
- What is  $p_T(t)$ ?

$$P(f) = \mathcal{F}\{p(t)\} = \mathcal{F}\{p_T(t) * p_T^*(-t)\} = P_T(f) \cdot P_T^*(f) = |P_T(f)|^2 = P_{rc}(f)$$

$$|P_T(f)| = \sqrt{P_{rc}(f)} = P_{srrc}(f) \Rightarrow \text{Use square-root of raised cosine filter}$$

# Pulse Shaping and Matched Filtering



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Square-root of raised cosine filter:  $P_{srrc}(f) = \sqrt{P_{rc}(f)}$

$$p_{srrc}(t) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{T_b}} \frac{\sin\left((1-\alpha)\frac{\pi t}{T_b}\right) + \frac{4\alpha t}{T_b} \cos\left((1+\alpha)\frac{\pi t}{T_b}\right)}{\frac{\pi t}{T_b} \left(1 - \left(\frac{4\alpha t}{T_b}\right)^2\right)}$$

# Symbol Timing Recovery



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$$\tilde{y}(t) = \sum_n s[n] p(t - nT_b)$$

Sample signal at  $t = mT_b$

$$\tilde{y}(mT_b) = \sum_n s[n] p(mT_b - nT_b) = s[m] \text{ (NO ISI)}$$

$$p(t) \text{ satisfies Nyquist} \rightarrow p(mT_b - nT_b) = \begin{cases} 0 & n \neq m \\ 1 & n = m \end{cases}$$

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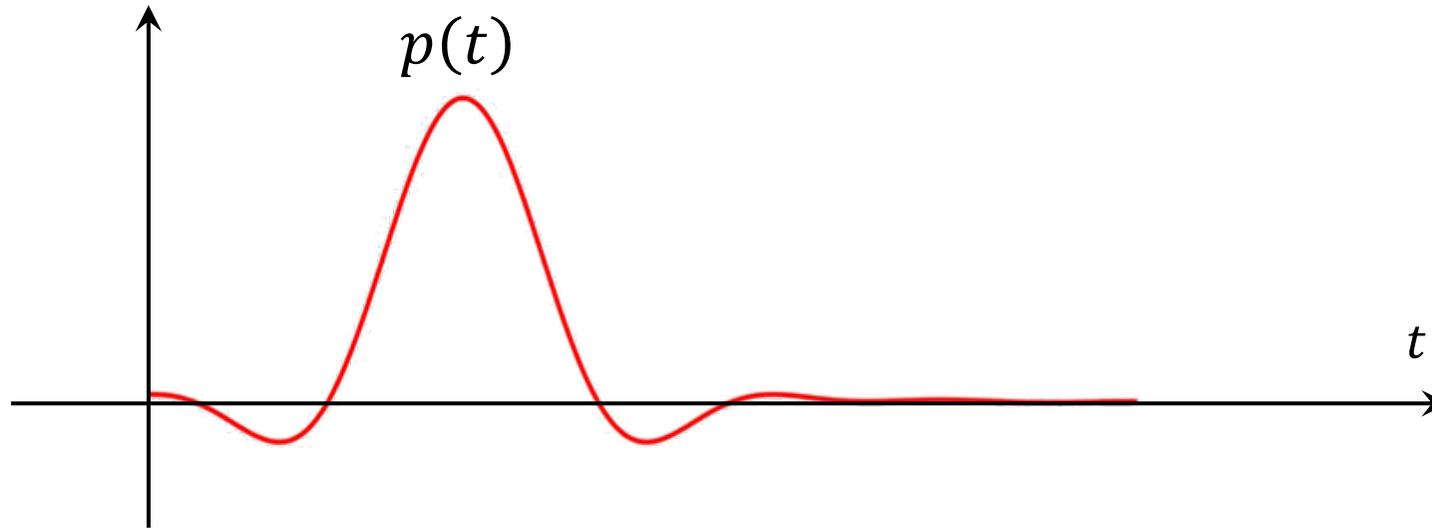
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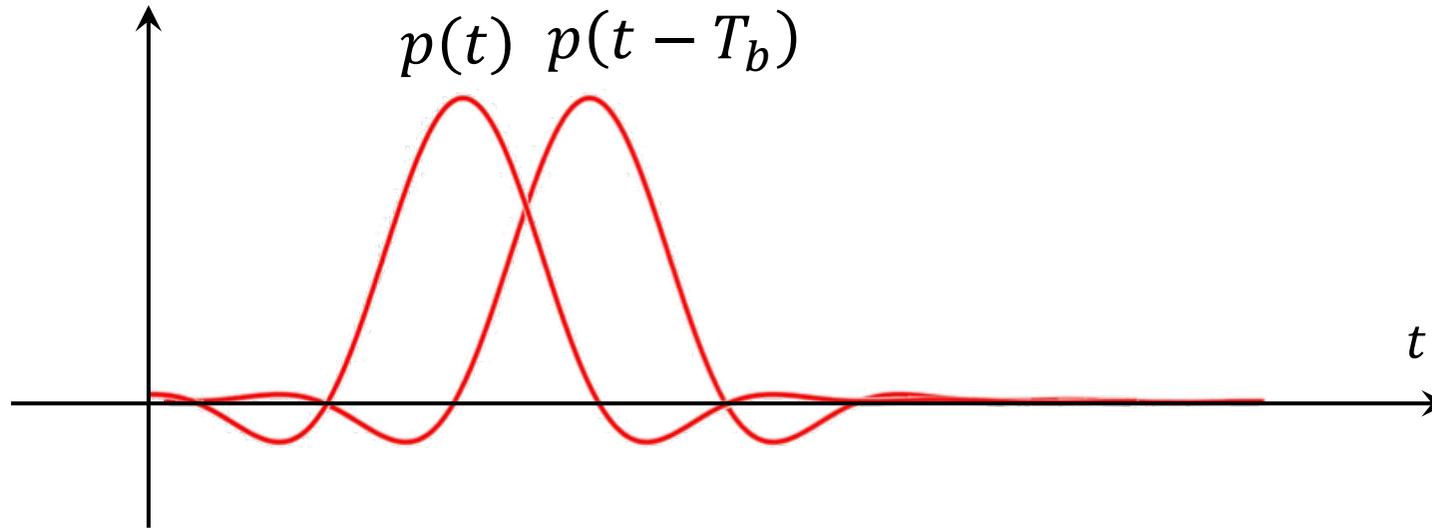
$$\tilde{y}(mT_b + \tau) = \sum_n s[n] p(mT_b - nT_b + \tau) \neq s[m] \text{ (ISI)}$$

$$= s[m] \underbrace{p(\tau)}_{<1} + \underbrace{\sum_{n \neq m} s[n] p(mT_b - nT_b + \tau)}_{\text{ISI}}$$

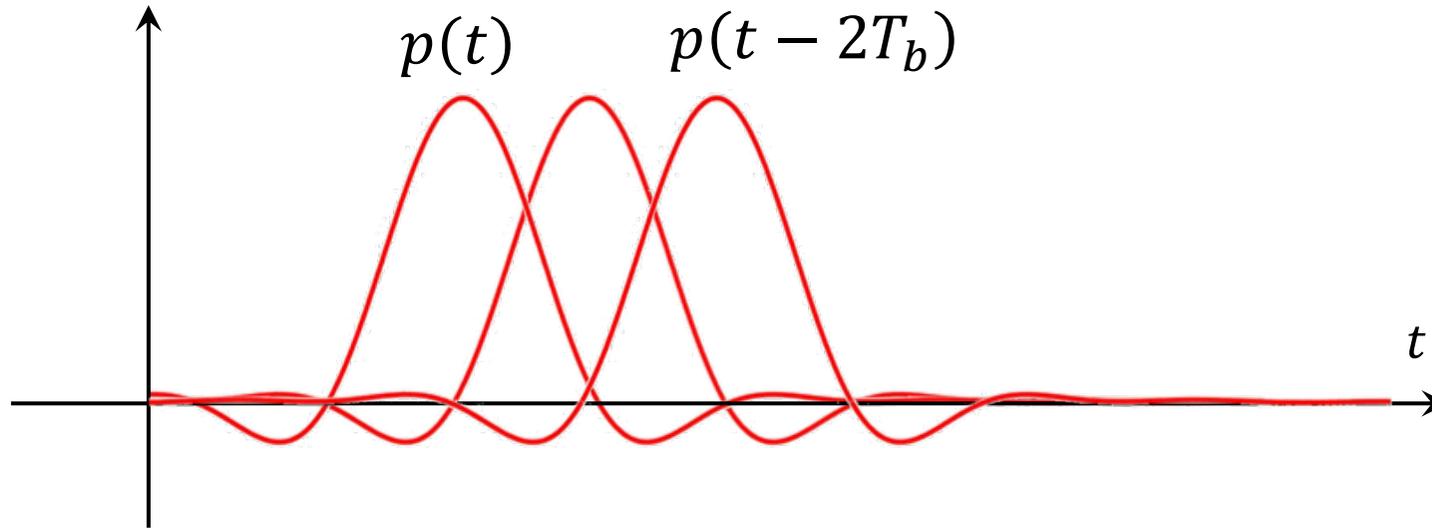
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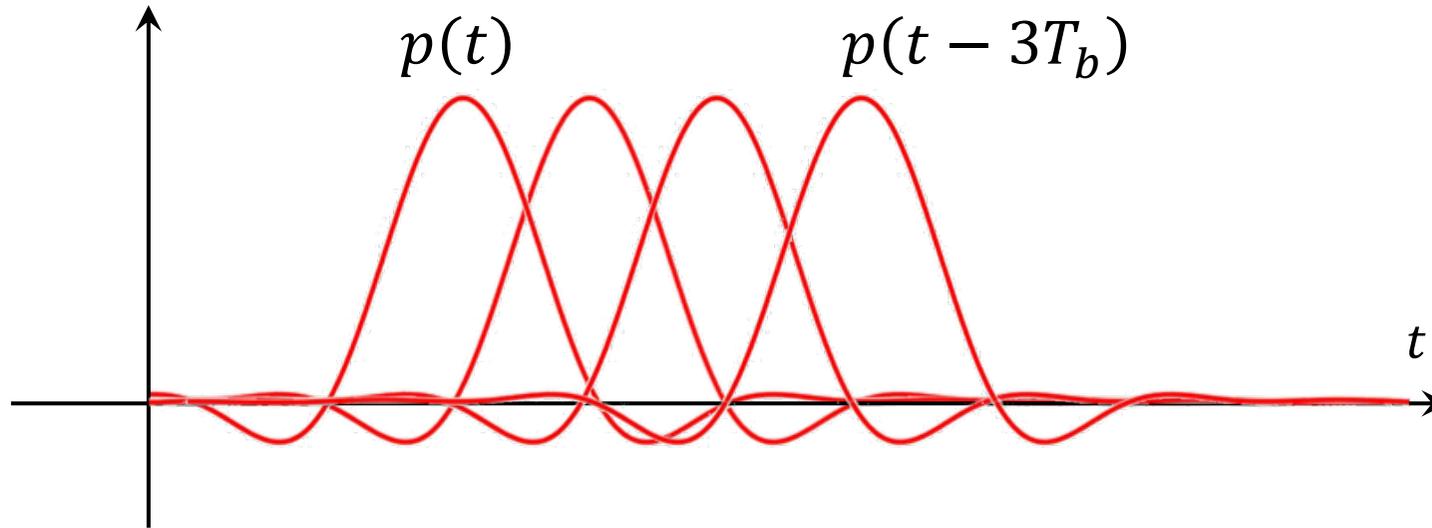
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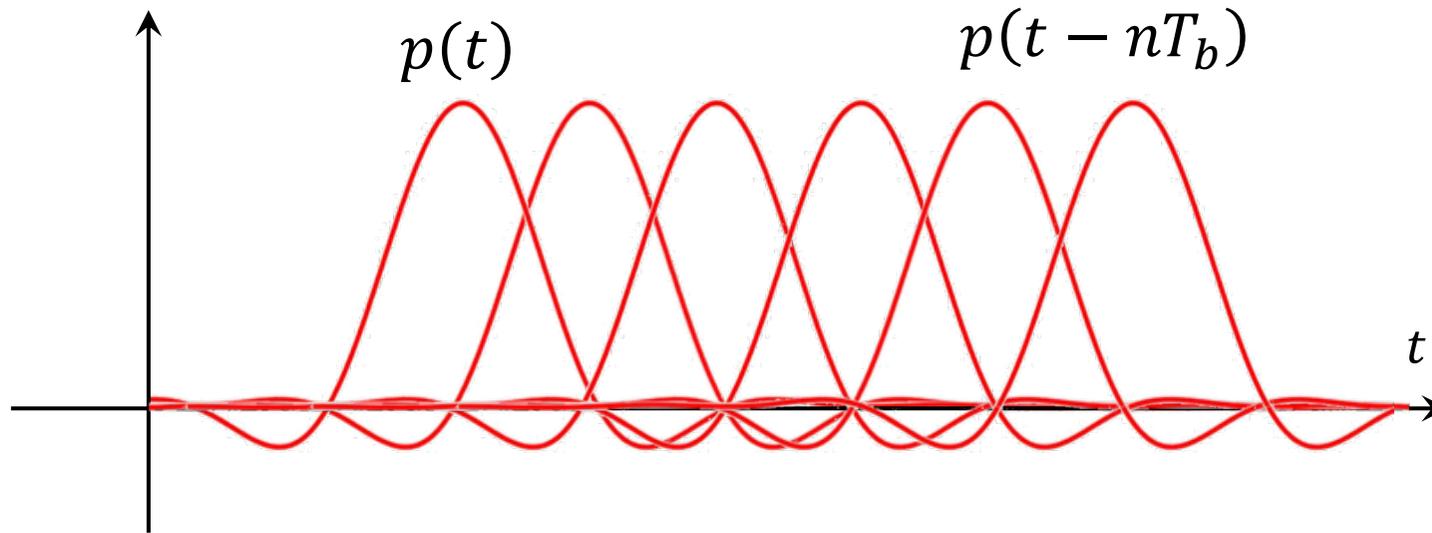
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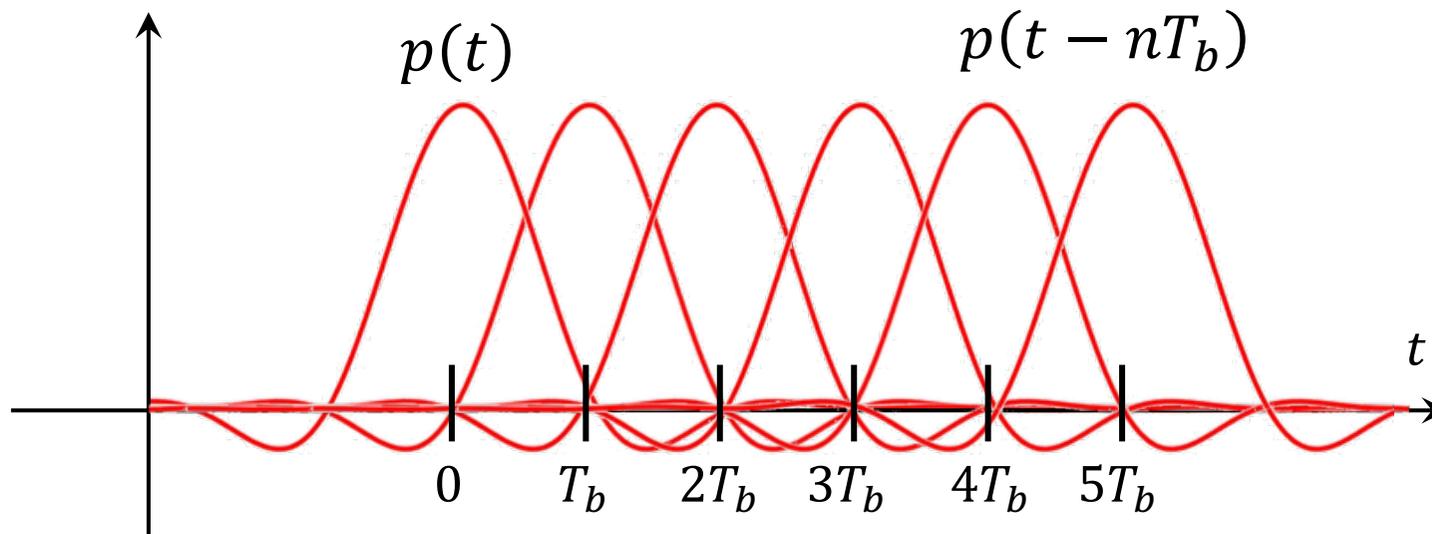
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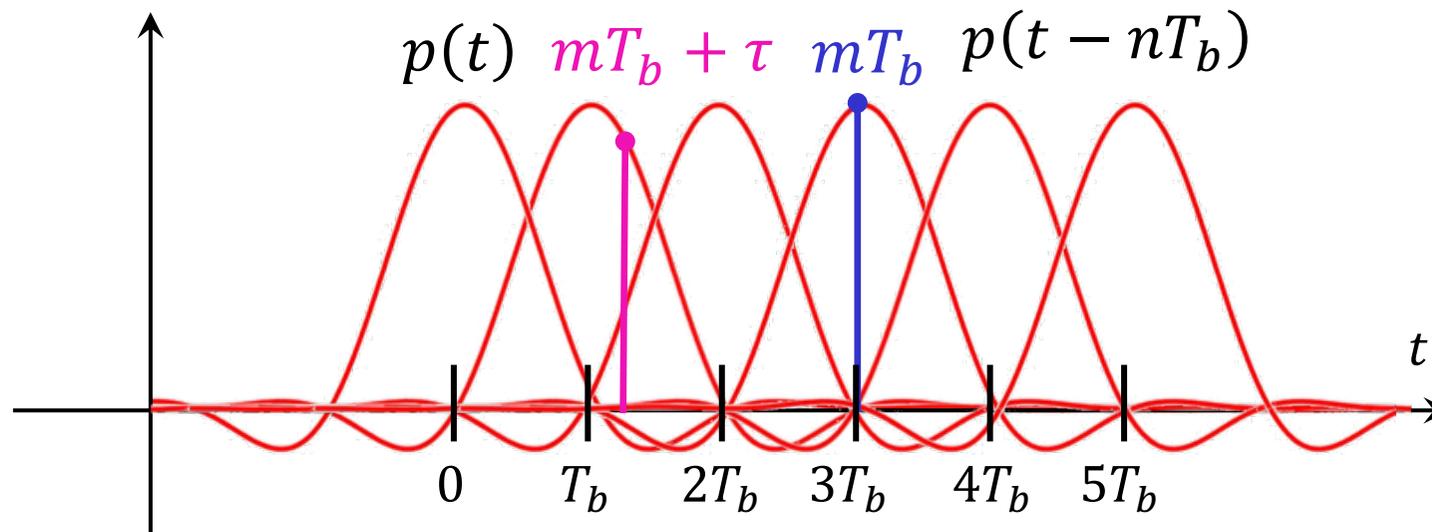
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Must correct timing offset to avoid ISI!

Power is maximum when  $\tau = 0$

# Symbol Timing Recovery



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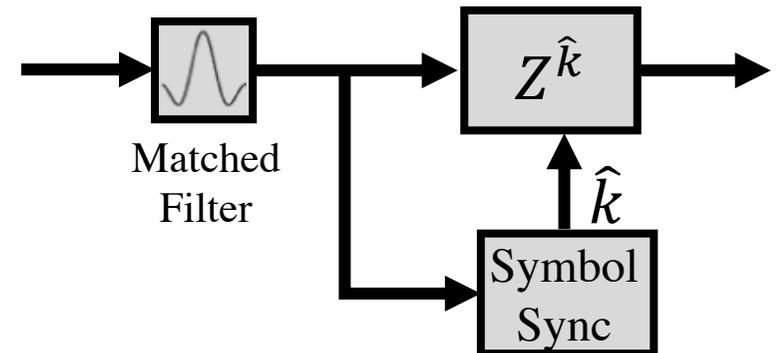
$$\tilde{y}(t) = \sum_n s[n] p(t - nT_b)$$

In practice, we have sampling offset:  
Sample signal at  $t = mT_b + \tau$

Compute:  $J[k] = |\tilde{y}(t + k)|^2$

Find:  $\hat{k} = \operatorname{argmax} J[k]$

Shift samples by  $:\hat{k}$



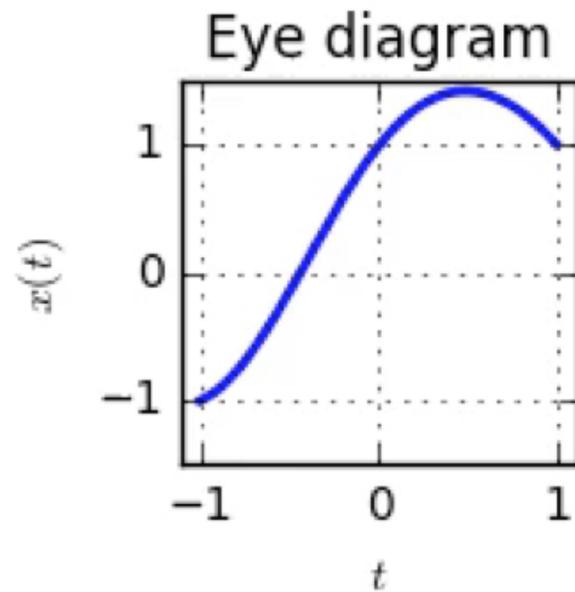
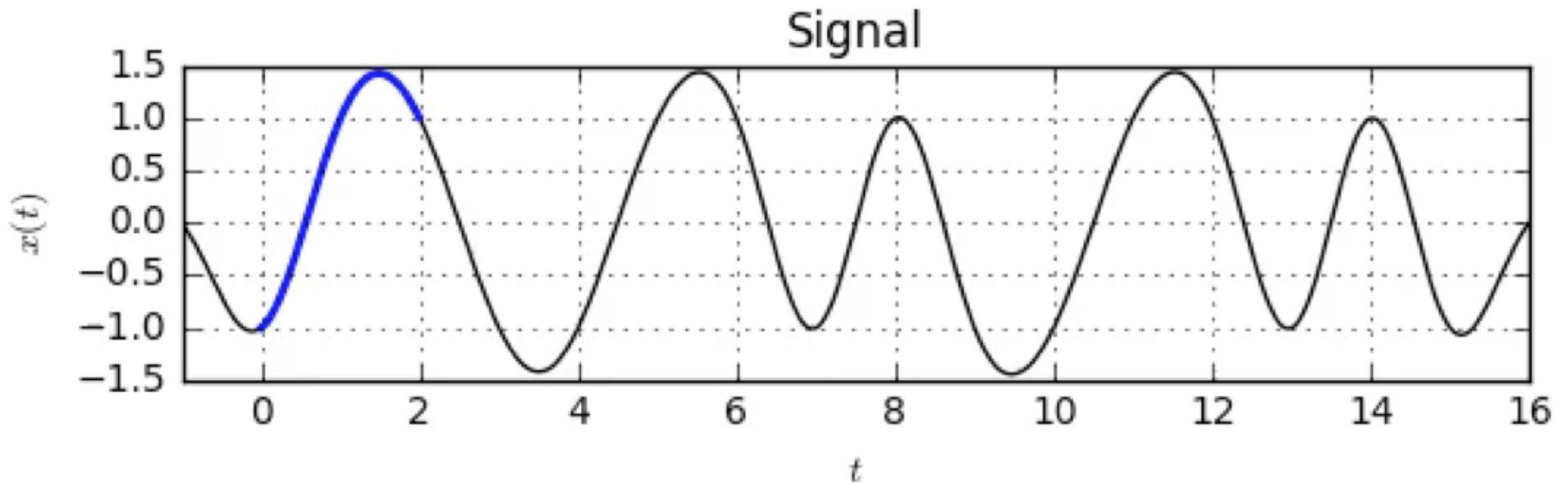
# Eye Diagram

Qualitative tool to evaluate:

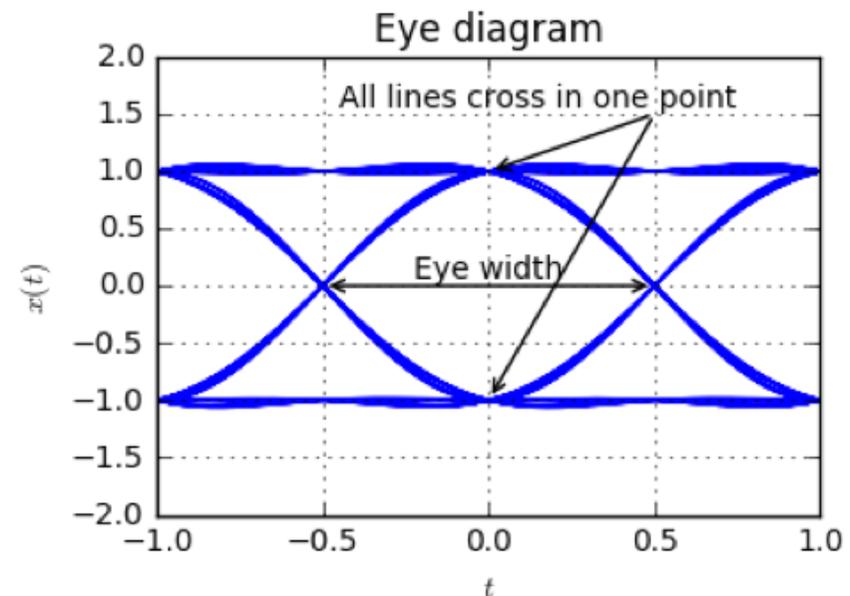
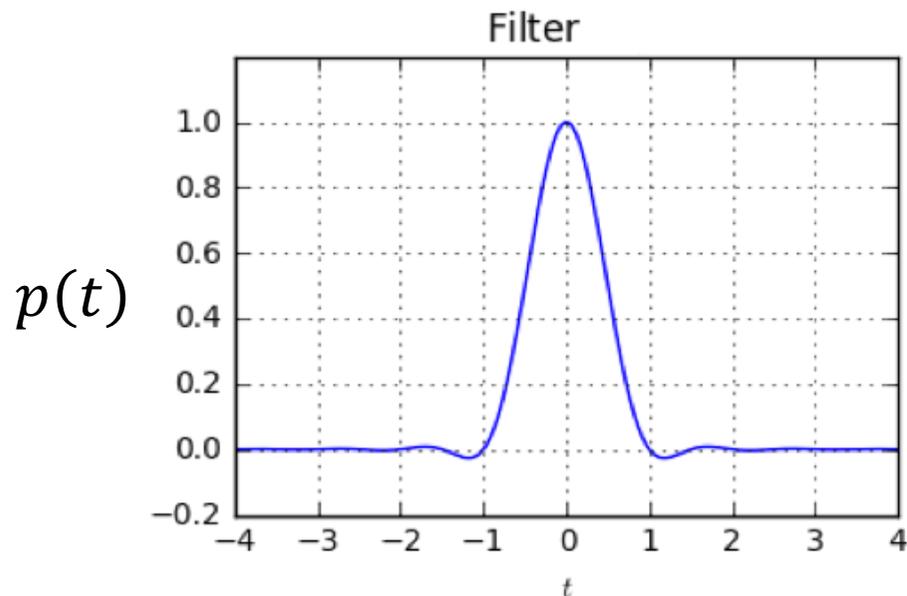
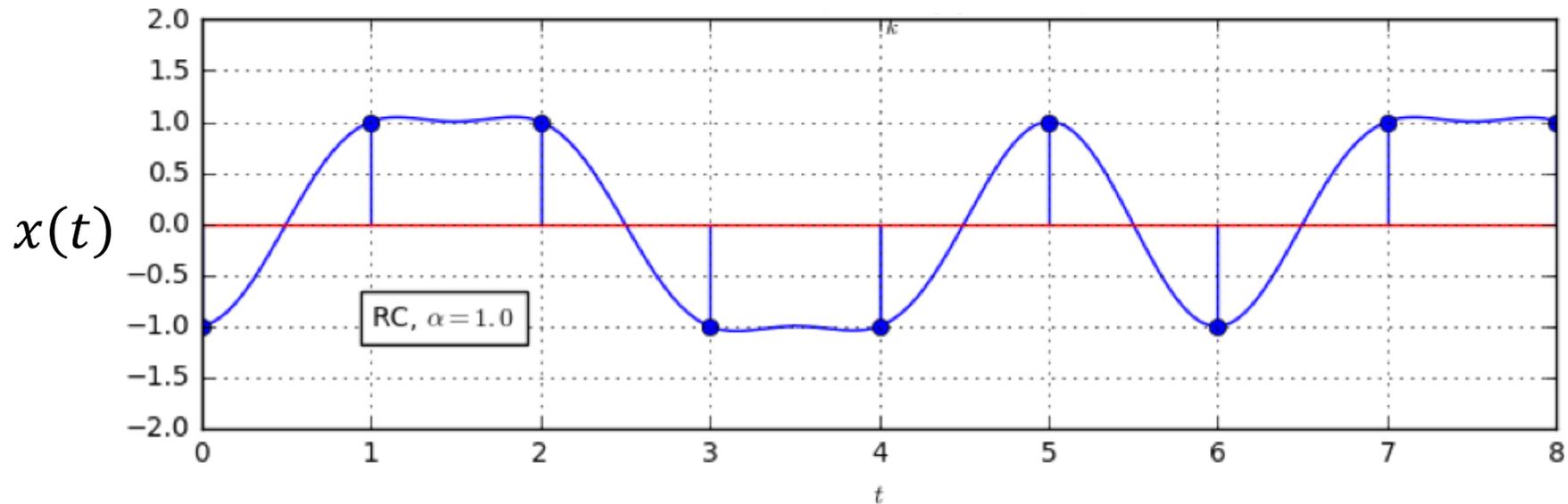
- Quality of Pulse
- ISI
- Distortion
- Noise

Generated by fragmenting the received signal  $x(t)$  into overlapping fragments of length  $2T_b$  and overlaying all the fragments.

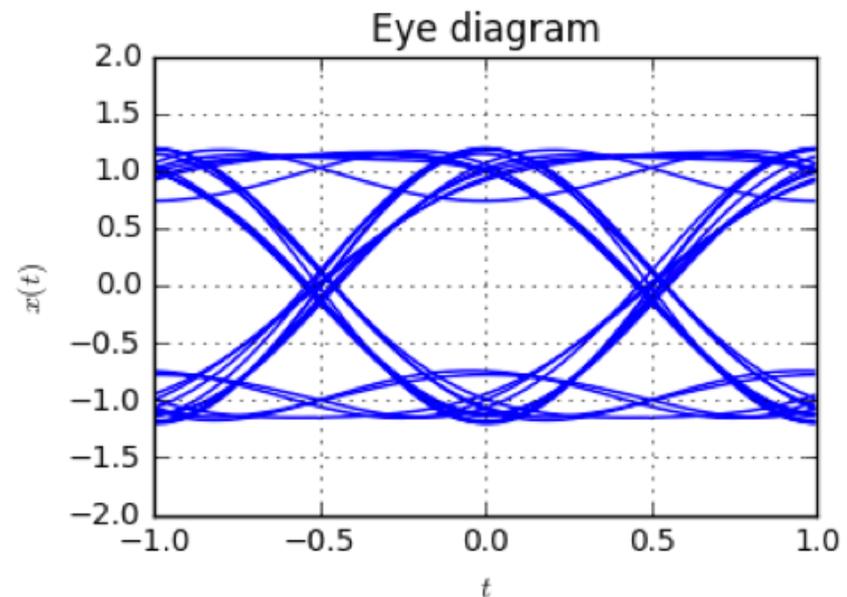
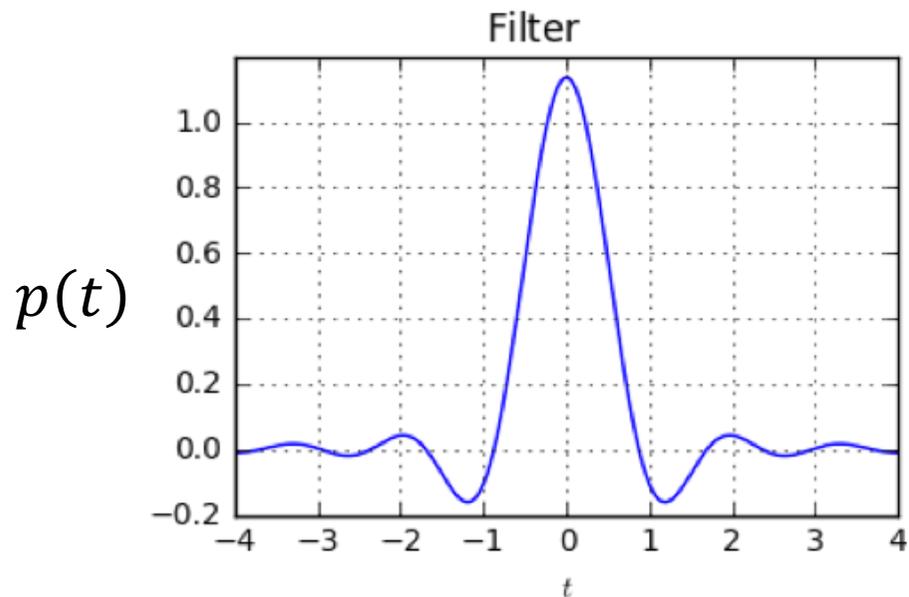
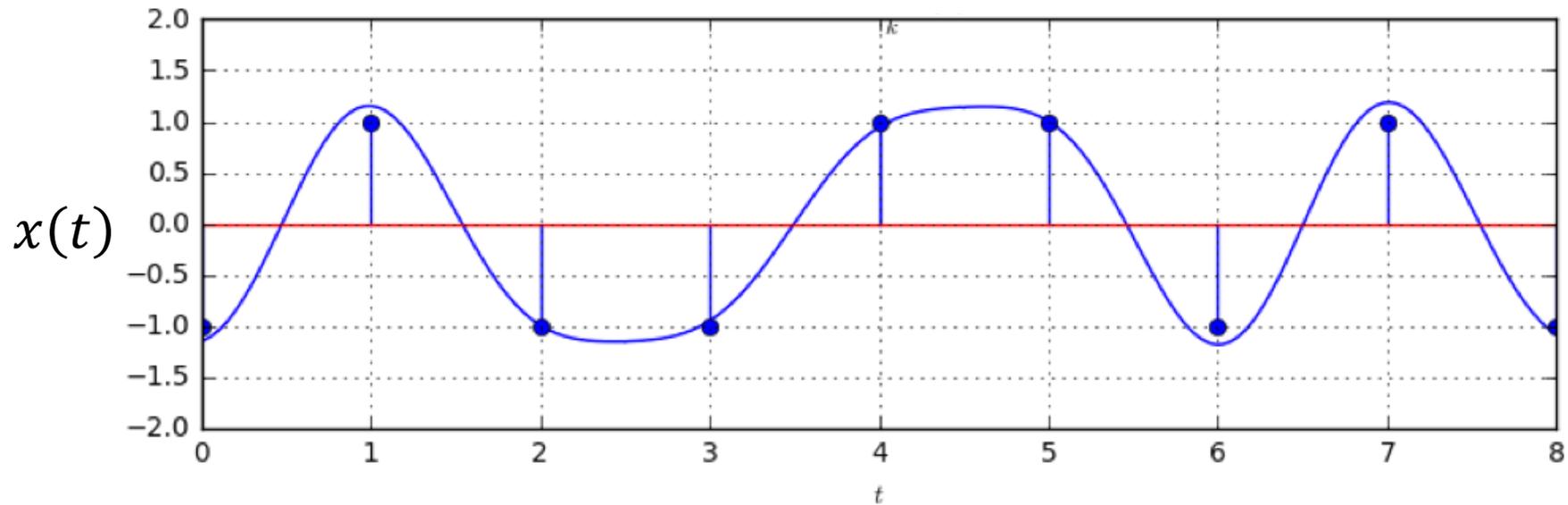
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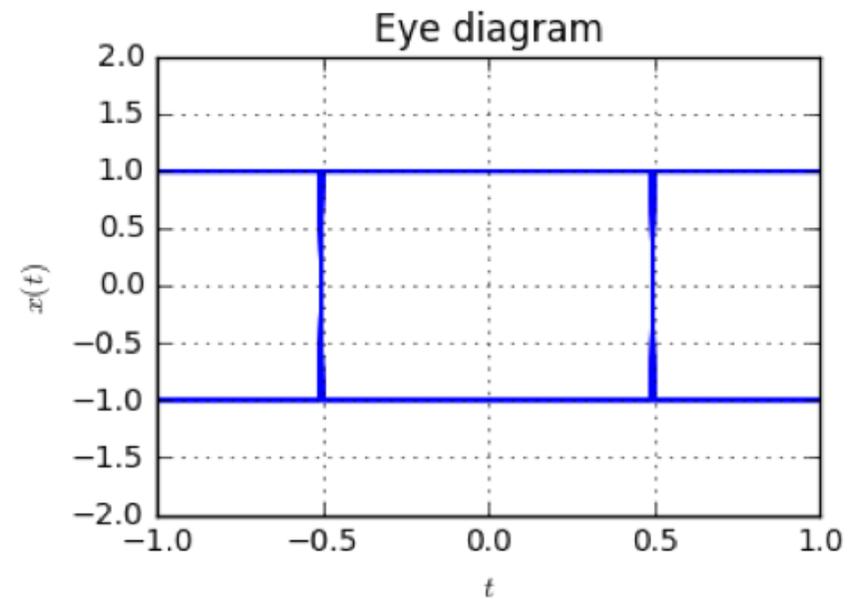
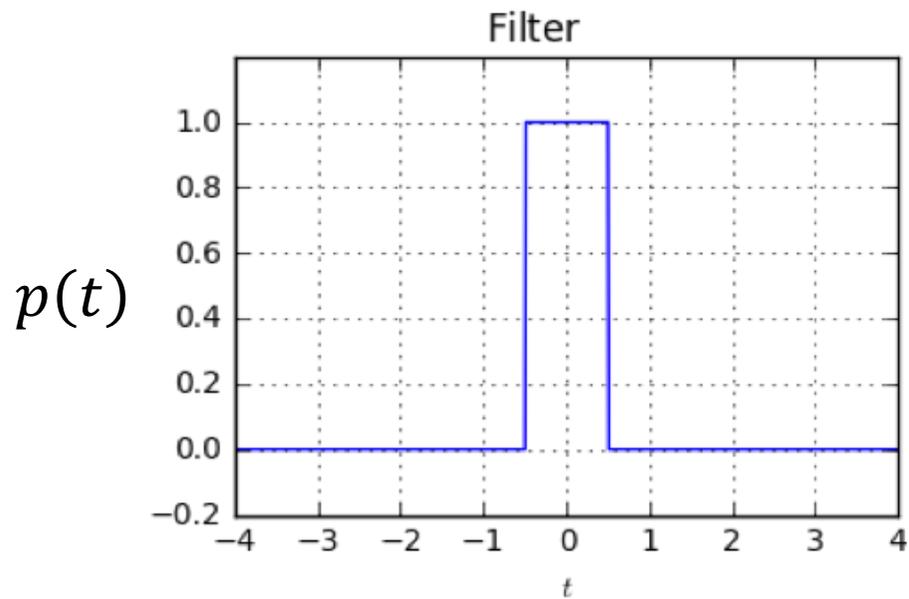
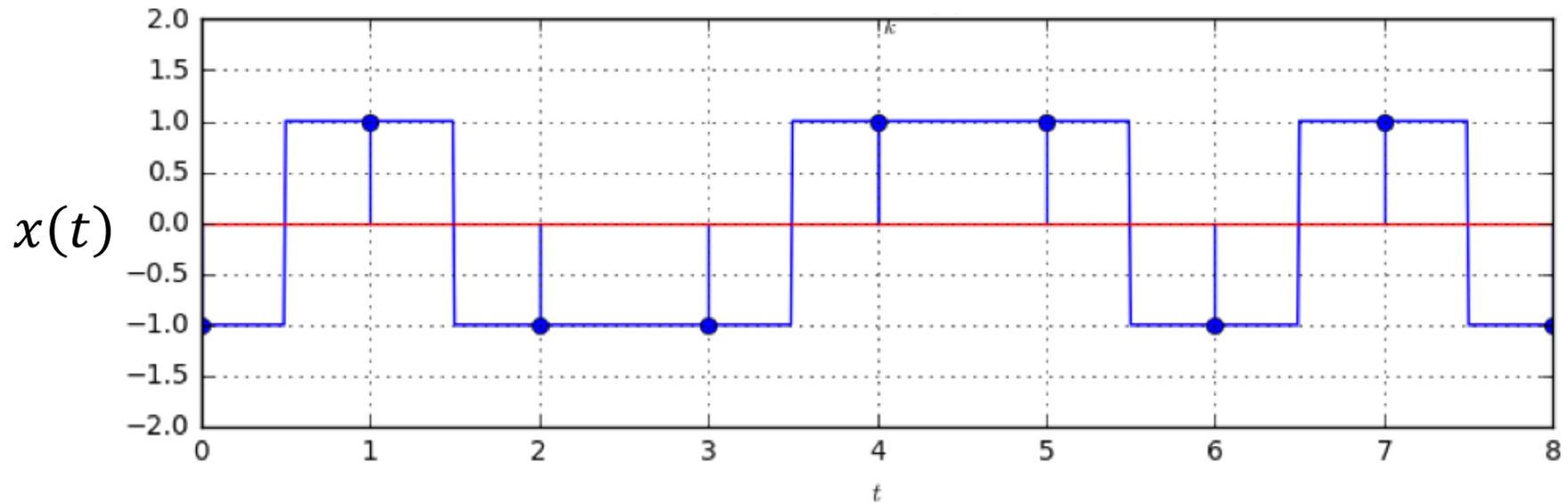
# Eye Diagram: Raised Cosine $\alpha = 1$



# Eye Diagram: Raised Cosine $\alpha = 0.5$

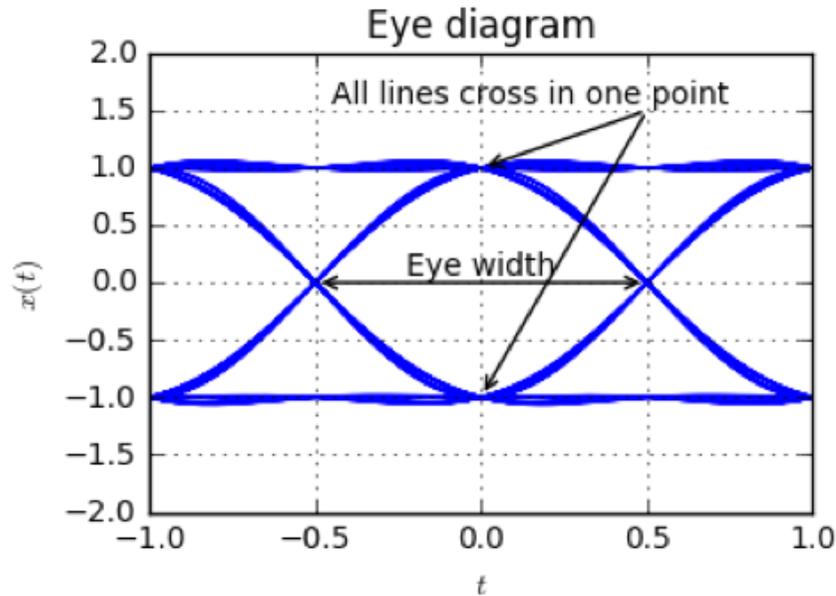


# Eye Diagram: Rectangle

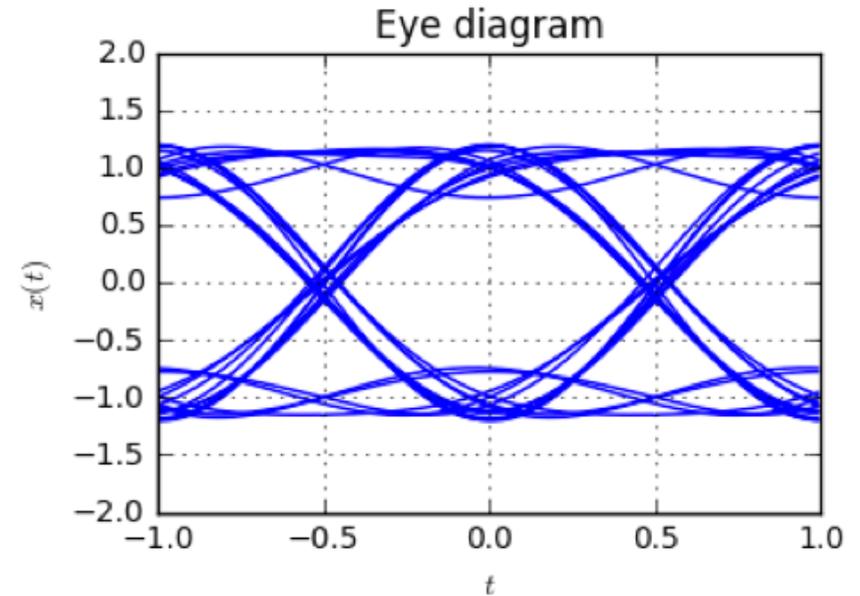


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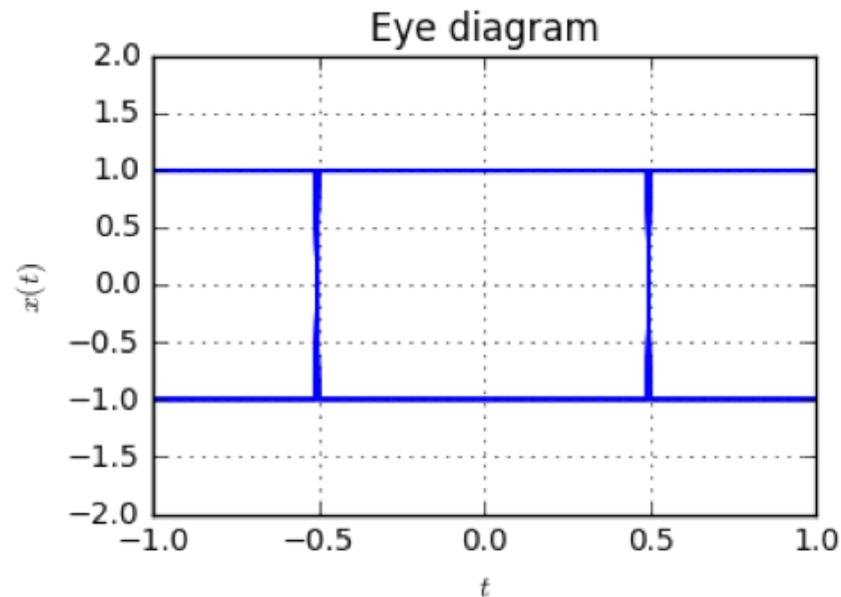
Raised Cosine  $\alpha = 1$



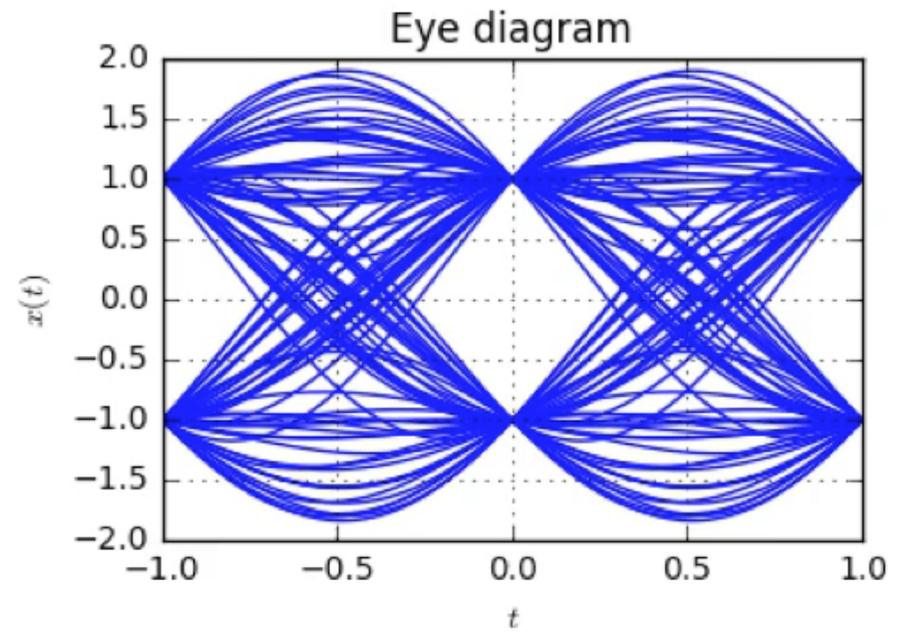
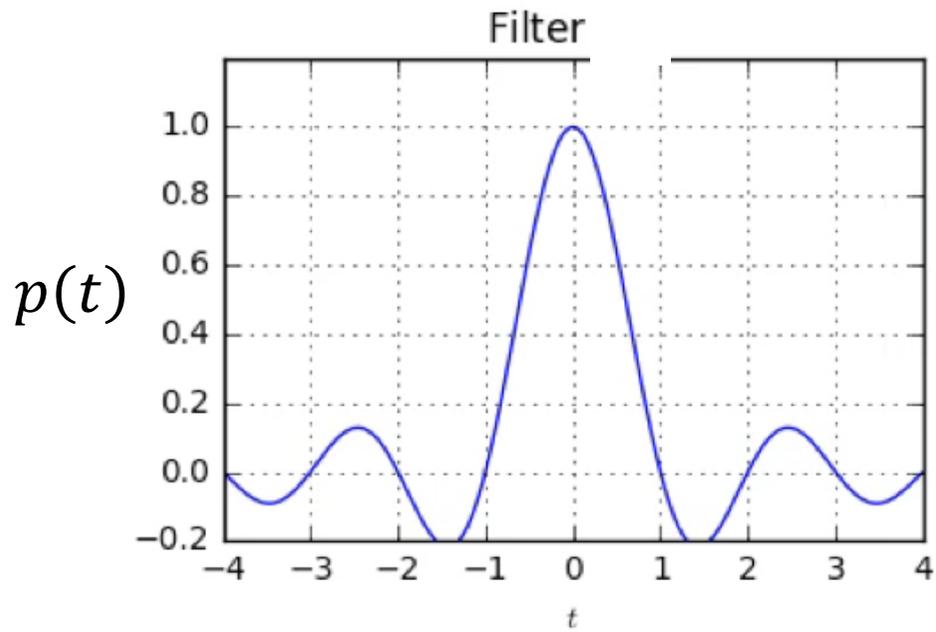
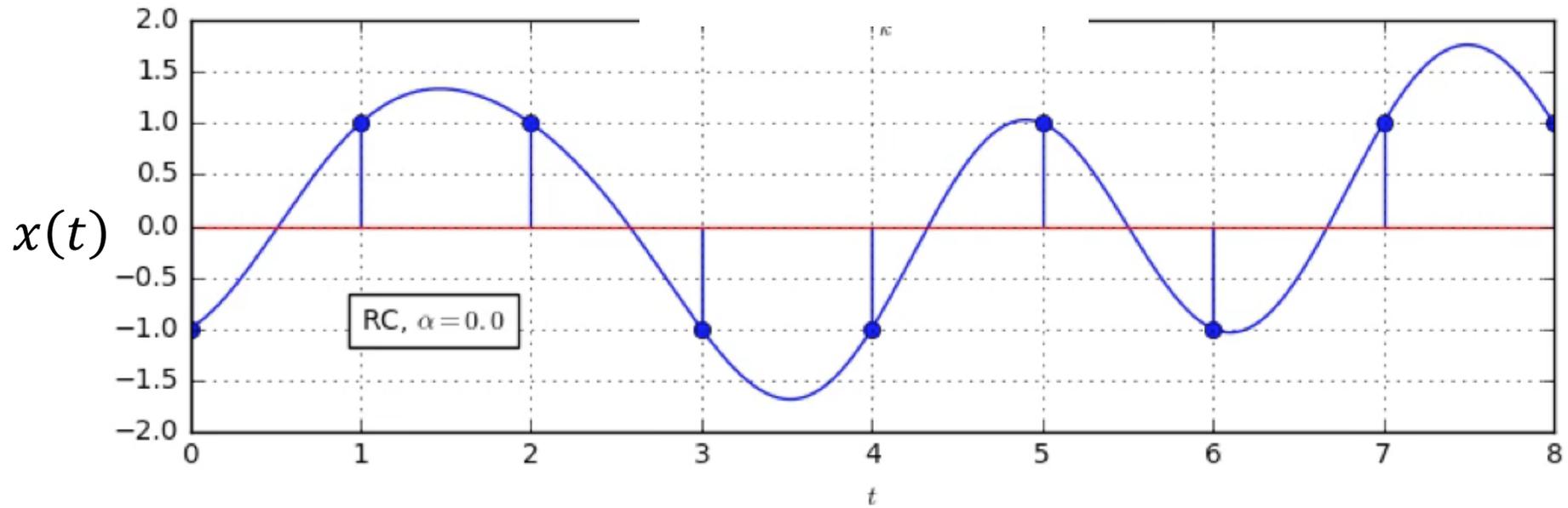
Raised Cosine  $\alpha = 0.5$



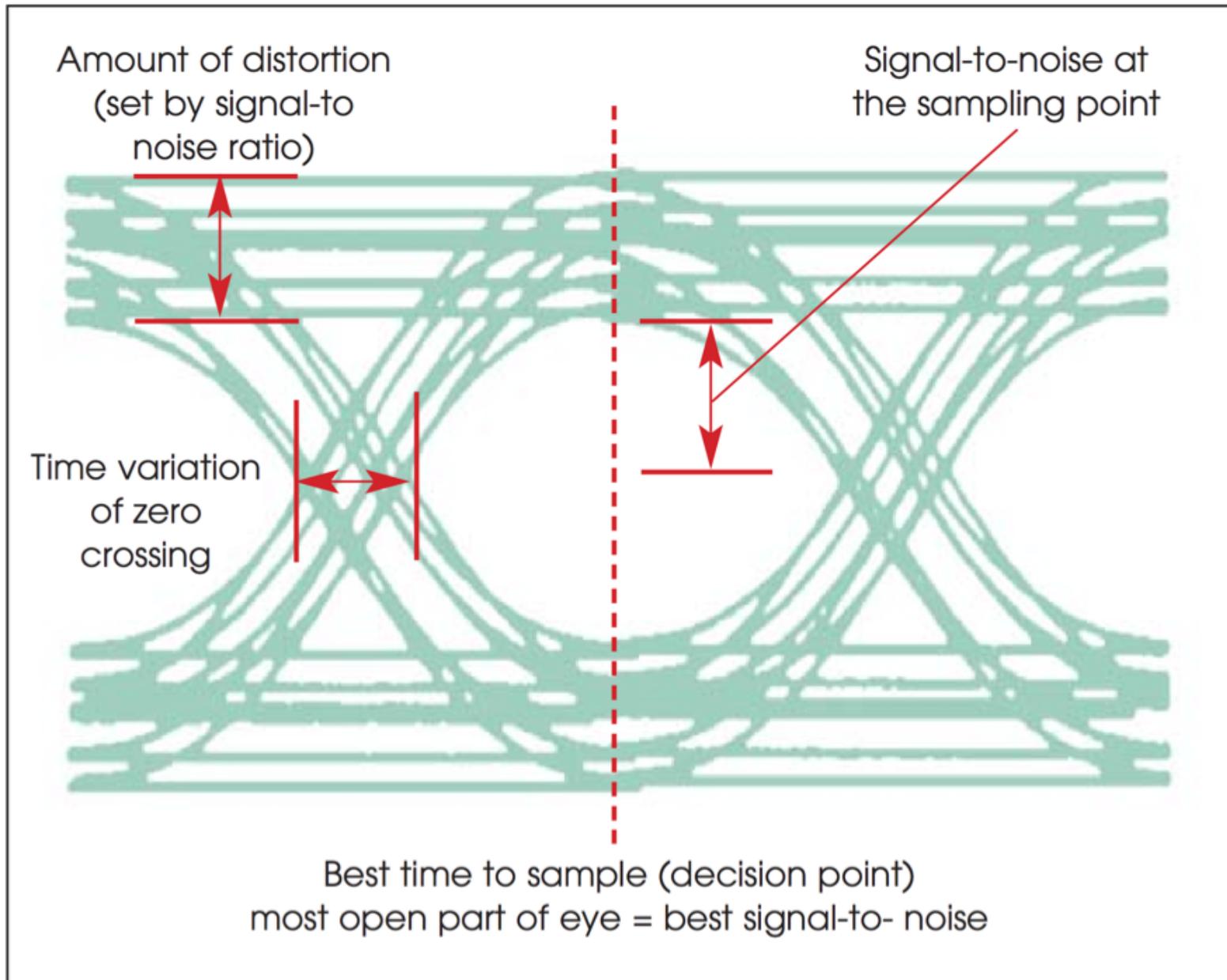
Rectangular



# Eye Diagram

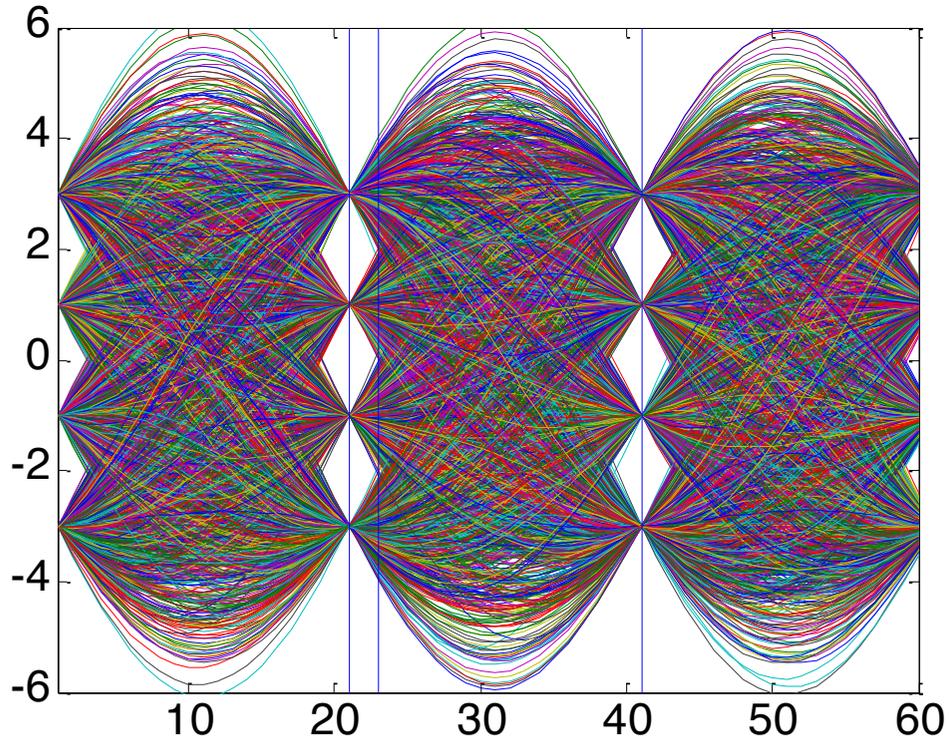


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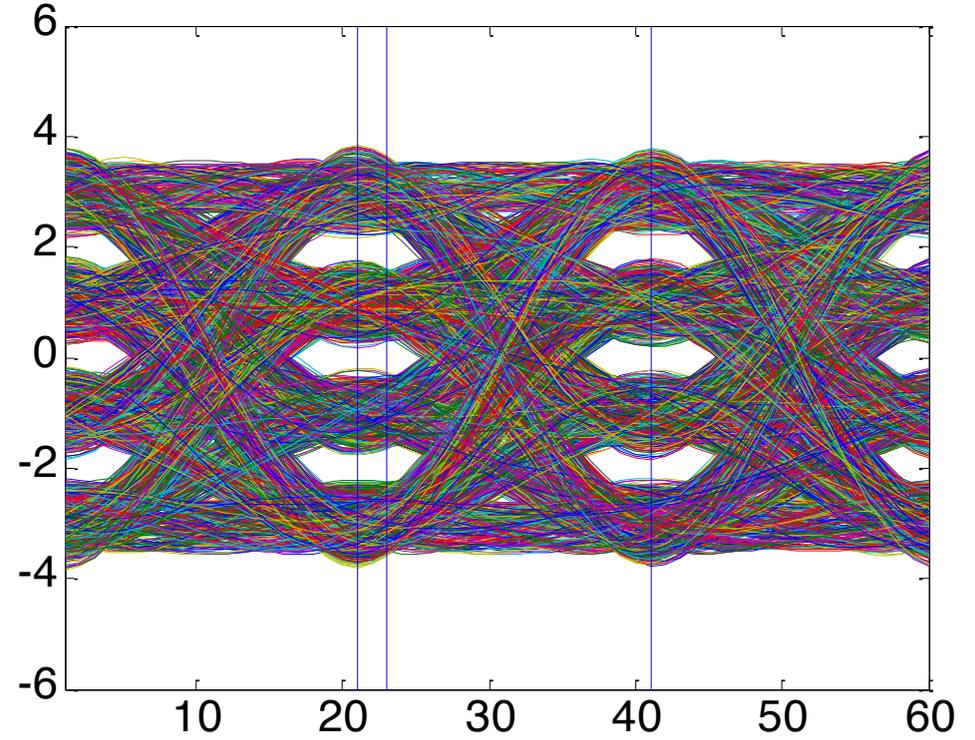


# Eye Diagram: 4PAM

Eye diagram for sinc pulse shape



Eye diagram for SRRRC (0.5) pulse shape



# Definitions & Variables

- $b[n]$ : Bit stream
- $s[n]$ : Symbols
- $n$ : Symbol index at TX
- $m$ : Sampling index at RX
- $x(t)$ : Baseband Signal
- $p(t)$ : Pulse Shape
- $P(f)$ : Frequency Spectrum of pulse
- $r[n]$ : Sampled values at the receiver.
- $T_b$ : Symbol Time
- $R_b$ : Symbol Rate
- $\Pi(\ )$ : Rectangle Function
- $\text{sinc}(\ )$ : Sinc Function
- $\alpha$ : Roll-off Factor of Raised Cosine
- $(\ )^*$ : Complex Conjugate
- $|\ |$ : Magnitude
- $E[\ ]$ : Expectation
- $\mathcal{F}\{\ \}$ : Fourier Transform
- $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{\ \}$ : Inverse Fourier Transform
- $p_T(t)$ : Transmitter Pulse
- $p_R(t)$ : Receiver Pulse
- $v(t)$ : Additive Gaussian Noise
- $P_T(f)$ : Spectrum of TX pulse
- $P_R(f)$ : Spectrum of RX pulse
- $P_{rc}(f)$ : Spectrum of raised cosine pulse
- $P_{srrc}(f)$ : Spectrum of square root raised cosine.
- $V(f)$ : Frequency Spectrum of Noise
- $N_0$ : Energy of noise spectrum
- $y(t)$ : Received Signal
- $\tilde{y}(t)$ : Received Signal after Matched Filter
- $\tilde{y}_s(t)$ : Signal component of  $\tilde{y}(t)$
- $\tilde{y}_v(t)$ : Noise component of  $\tilde{y}(t)$
- $\tilde{Y}_s(f)$ : Frequency Spectrum of  $\tilde{y}_s(t)$
- $\tau$ : Sampling offset
- $J[k]$ : Magnitude of pulse samples
- $\hat{k}$ : Sample index of pulse peak
- $Z^{\hat{k}}$ : Z-transform representing delay of  $\hat{k}$  samples