

# **Distortion of filtered signals**

## **MATLAB tutorial series (Part 3)**

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Notice: phase response passes from the origin !

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$$\begin{aligned}y_{\textcolor{red}{i}}[n] &= \textcolor{red}{c}_1 \cos(\omega_0 n + \varphi_1) + \textcolor{red}{c}_2 \cos(3\omega_0 n + \varphi_2) \\&\quad + \textcolor{red}{c}_3 \cos(5\omega_0 n + \varphi_3).\end{aligned}$$

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$$y_0[n] = \mathbf{1} \cos(\omega_0 n + \mathbf{0}) - \mathbf{1/3} \cos(3\omega_0 n + \mathbf{0}) \\ + \mathbf{1/5} \cos(5\omega_0 n + \mathbf{0}).$$

Original signal  
no change !

## Example (pp. 216-218)

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$$y_1[n] = \color{red}{1/4 \cos(\omega_0 n + 0) - 1/3 \cos(3\omega_0 n + 0)} \\ \color{red}{+ 1/5 \cos(5\omega_0 n + 0)}.$$

**High pass filter  
Low frequency attenuated !**

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$$y_2[n] = \cos(\omega_0 n + 0) - 1/6 \cos(3\omega_0 n + 0)$$

$$+ 1/10 \cos(5\omega_0 n + 0).$$

**Low pass filter  
High frequencies attenuated !**

## Example (pp. 216-218)

$$x[n] = \cos(\omega_0 n) - \frac{1}{3} \cos(3\omega_0 n) + \frac{1}{5} \cos(5\omega_0 n),$$

$$y_3[n] = \cos(\omega_0 n + \pi/6) - \frac{1}{3} \cos(3\omega_0 n + \pi/6) \\ + \frac{1}{5} \cos(5\omega_0 n + \pi/6).$$

Constant phase

## Example (pp. 216-218)

$$x[n] = \cos(\omega_0 n) - \frac{1}{3} \cos(3\omega_0 n) + \frac{1}{5} \cos(5\omega_0 n),$$

$$y_4[n] = \cos(\omega_0 n - \pi/4) - \frac{1}{3} \cos(3\omega_0 n - 3\pi/4) \\ + \frac{1}{5} \cos(5\omega_0 n - 5\pi/4).$$

Linear phase

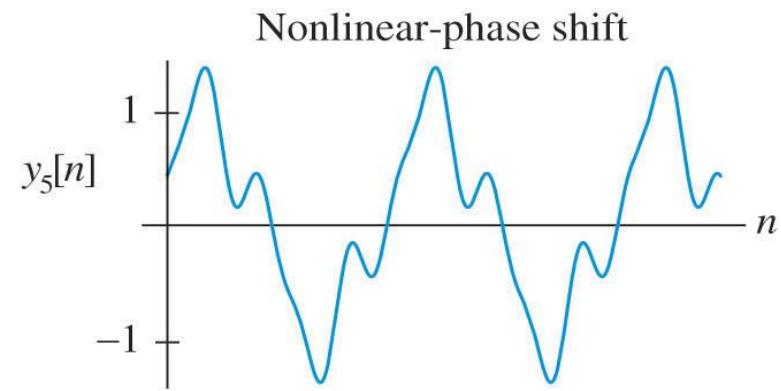
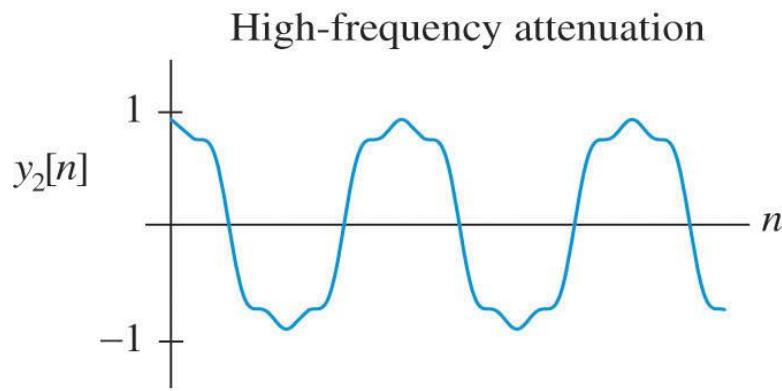
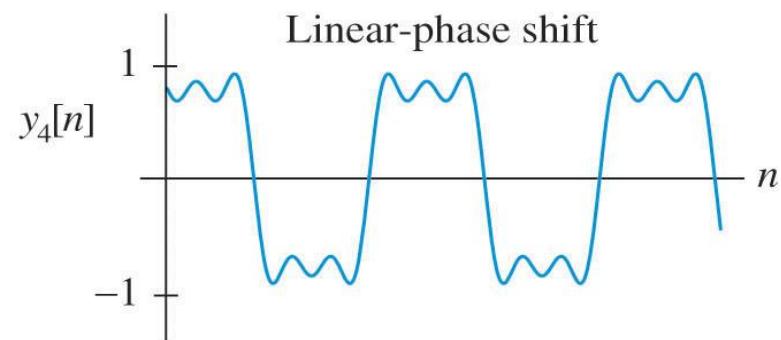
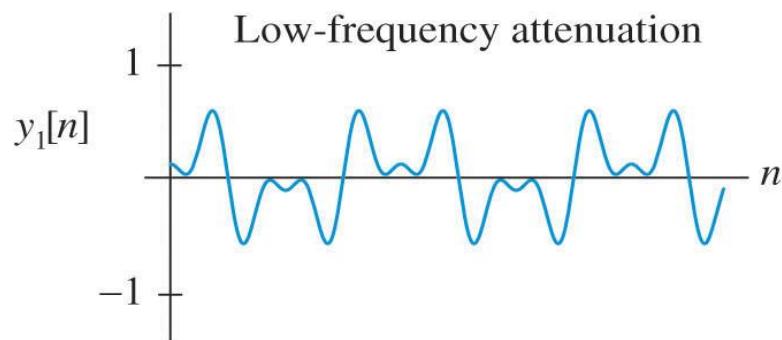
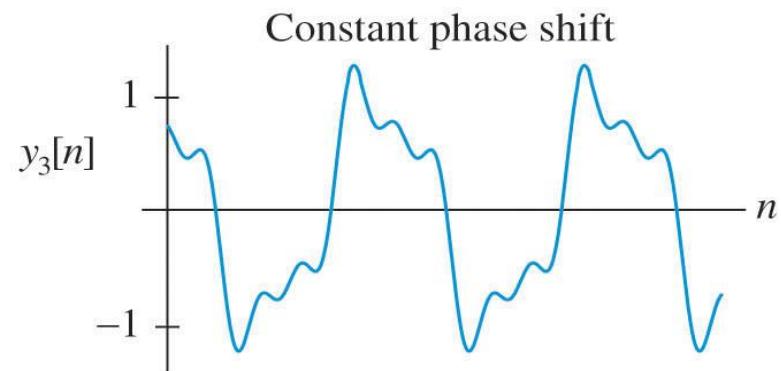
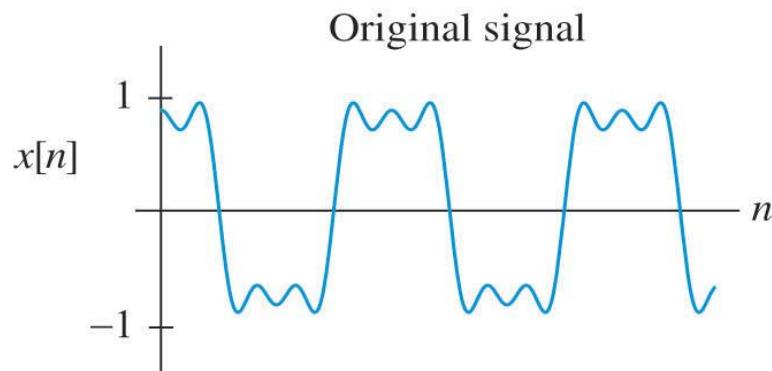
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$$y_5[n] = \cos(\omega_0 n - \pi/3) - \frac{1}{3} \cos(3\omega_0 n + \pi/4) \\ + \frac{1}{5} \cos(5\omega_0 n + \pi/7).$$

**Nonlinear phase**

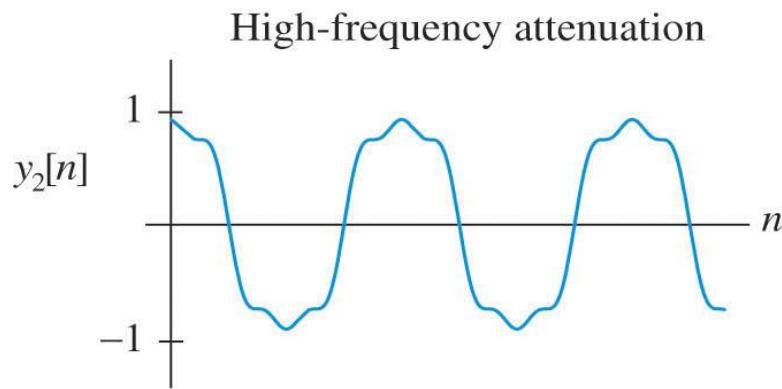
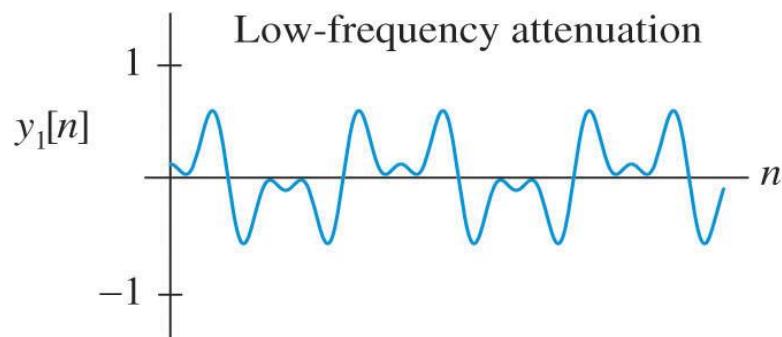
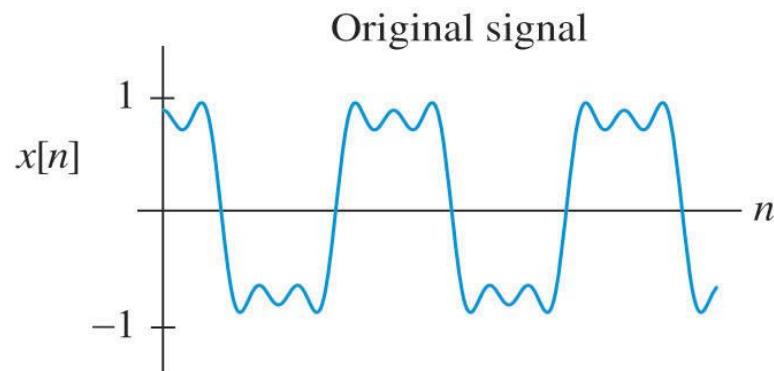
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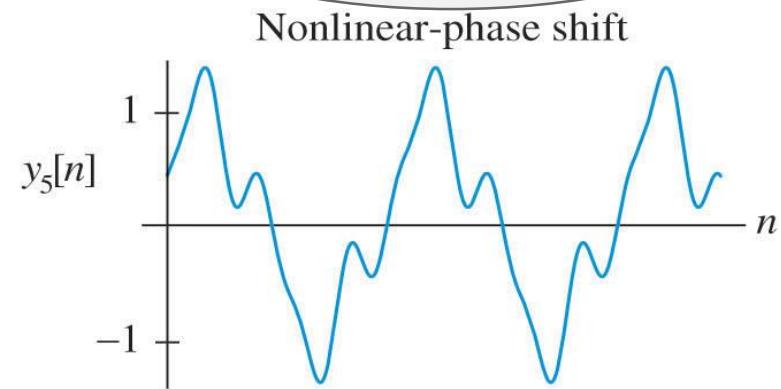
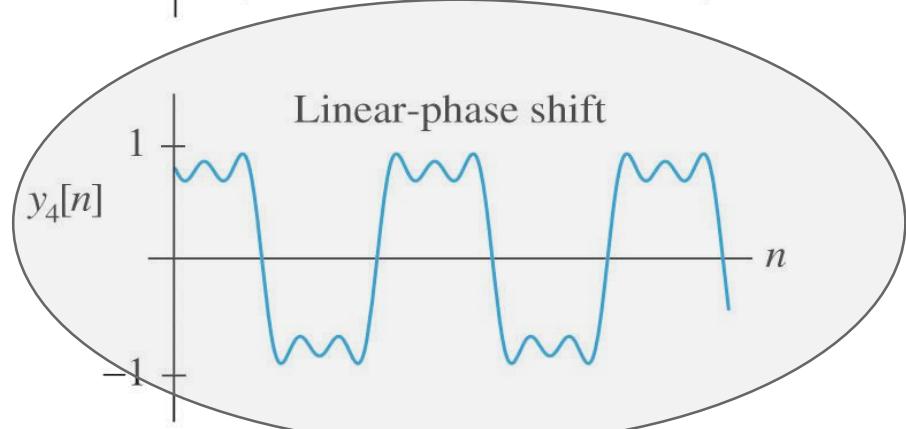
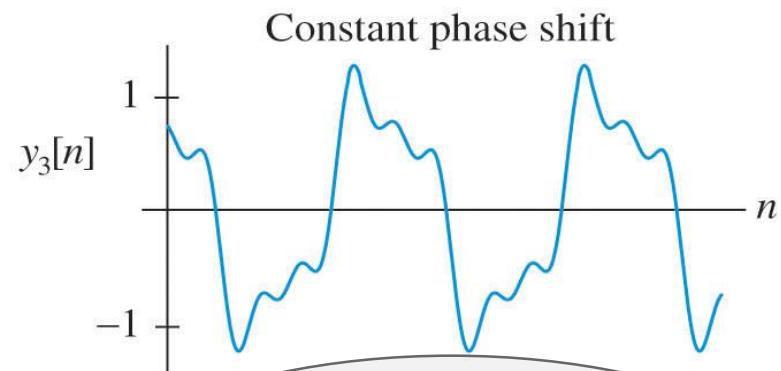
(a)

(b)

# Example (pp. 216-218)



(a)



(b)

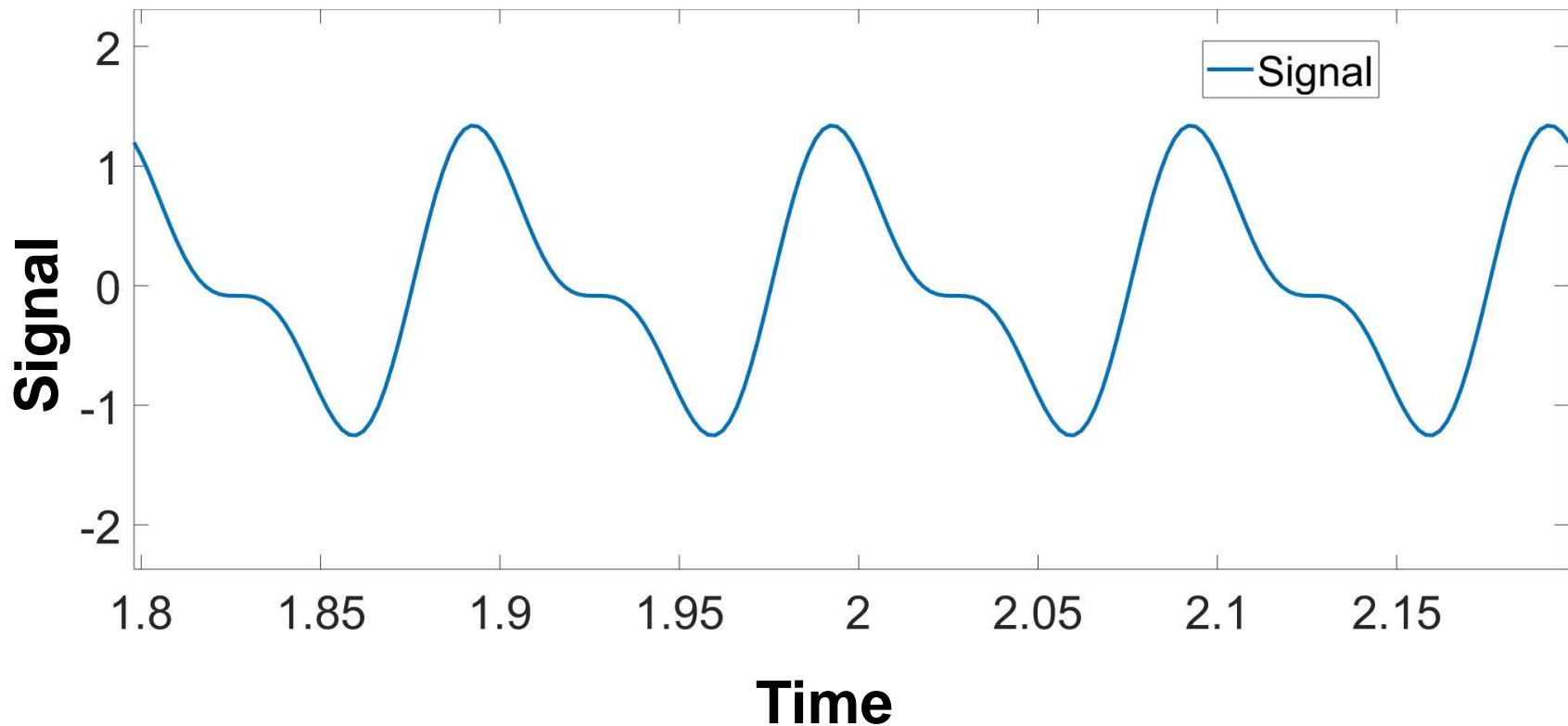
**FIR has one main advantage and  
many disadvantages rather IIR ...**

**FIR has linear phase response !**

**FIR filters are the best choice to remove the noises from signal without distortion.**

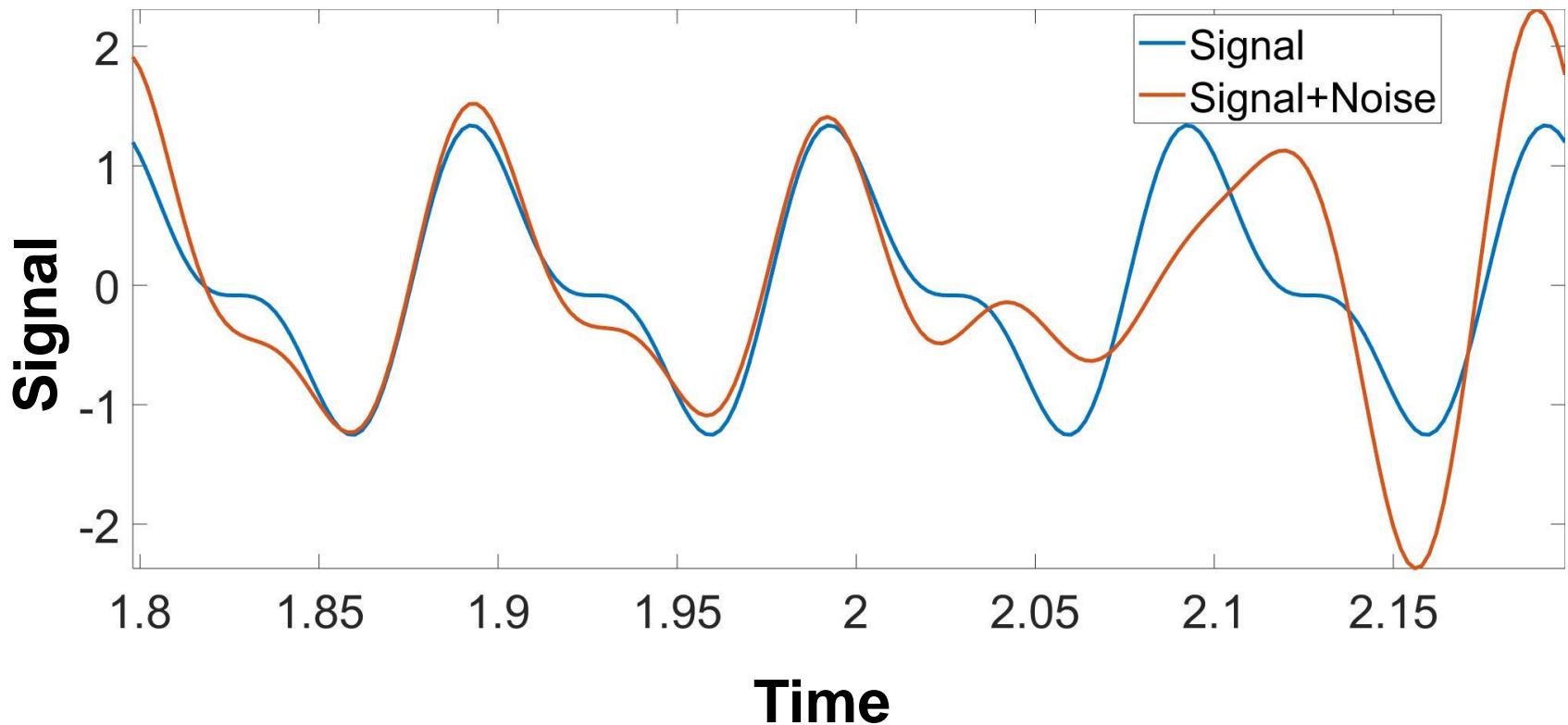
# Example

Original signal



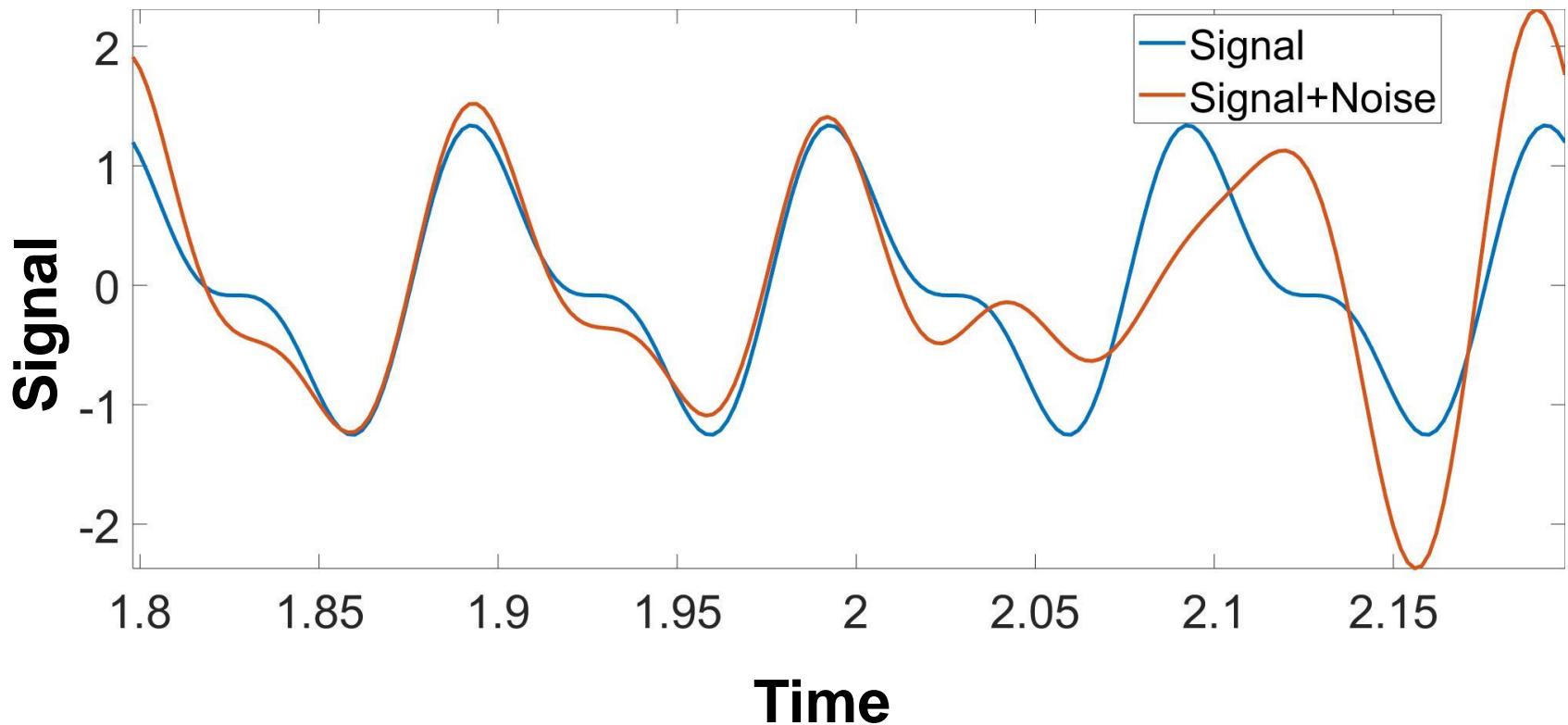
# Example

**Signal plus noise v.s. Original signal**



# Example

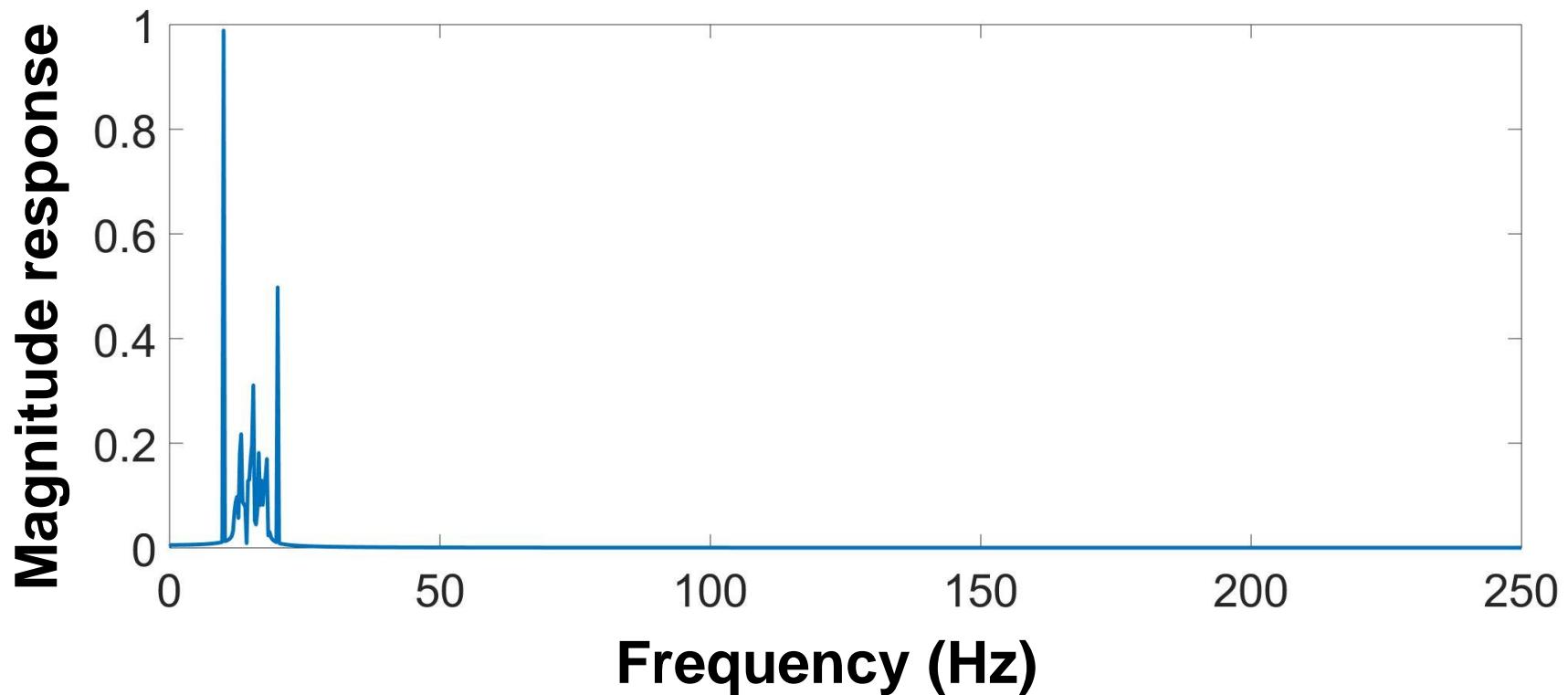
**Signal plus noise v.s. Original signal**



**Noise source is known : 12-18 Hz**

# Example

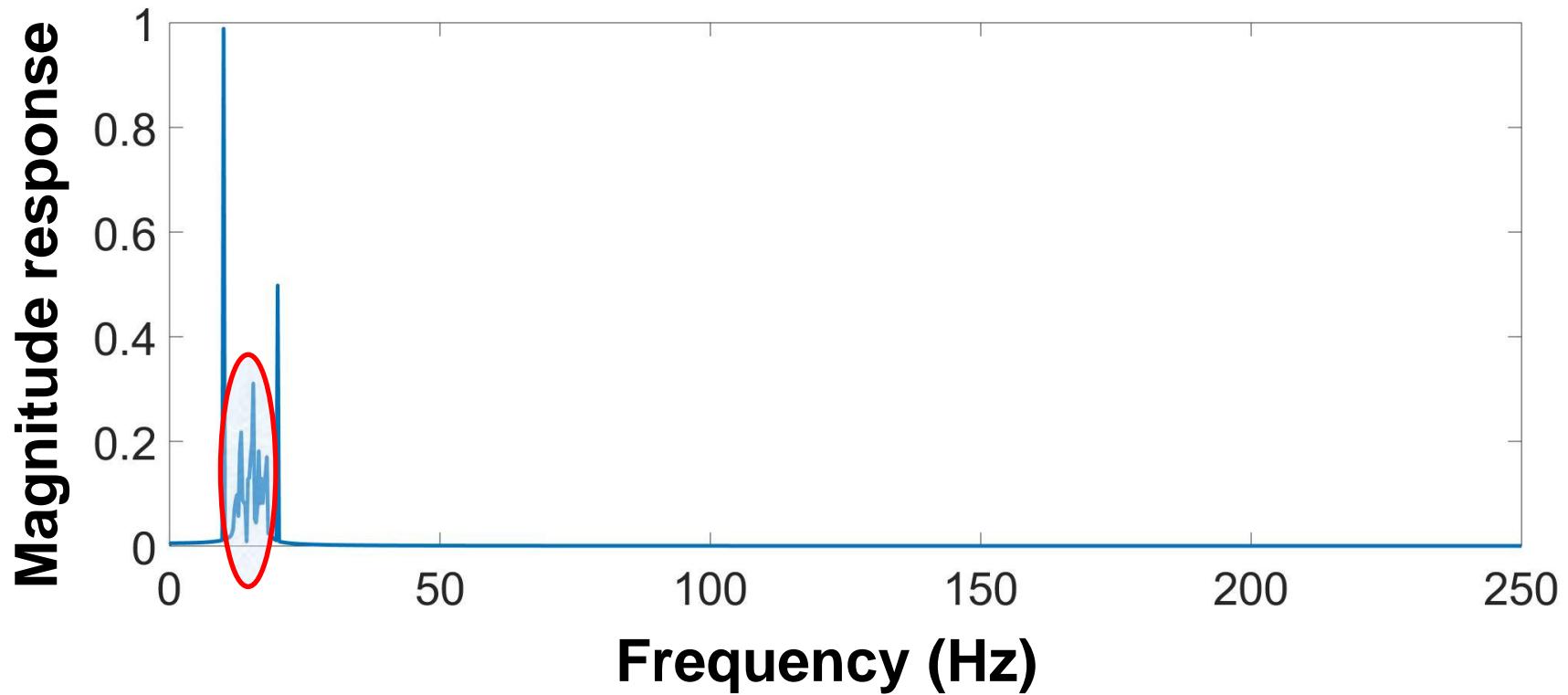
Single sided Fourier transform



Noise source is known : **12-18 Hz**

# Example

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# Example

Filter Designer - [untitled.fda \*]

File Edit Analysis Targets View Window Help

Current Filter Information

Structure: Direct-Form II, Second-Order Sections  
Order: 68  
Sections: 34  
Stable: Yes  
Source: Designed

Magnitude Response (dB)

Magnitude (dB) vs Frequency (Hz)

Frequency (Hz)

Store Filter ...

Filter Manager ...

Response Type

Lowpass  
Highpass  
Bandpass  
**Bandstop** (circled)  
Differentiator

Design Method

IIR Butterworth  
FIR Equiripple

Filter Order

Specify order: 10  
Minimum order (selected)

Match exactly: stopband

Frequency Specifications

Units: Hz  
Fs: 500  
Fpass1: 11  
Fstop1: 12  
Fstop2: 18  
Fpass2: 19

Magnitude Specifications

Units: dB  
Apass1: 1  
Astop: 60  
Apass2: 1

**Bandstop**

Design Filter

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Magnitude (dB)

Frequency (Hz)

Response Type

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 Highpass  
 Bandpass  
 Bandstop  
 Differentiator

Design Method

IIR  
 Butterworth  
 FIR  
 Equiripple

Filter Order

Specify order: 10  
 Minimum order

Options

Match exactly: stopband

IIR

Frequency Specifications

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Magnitude Specifications

Units: dB  
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Astop: 60  
Apass2: 1

**Sampling frequency**

Design Filter

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Fpass2: 19

Magnitude Specifications

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Astop: 60  
Apass2: 1

**12-18 Hz**

Design Filter

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Source: Designed

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Filter Manager ...

Magnitude Response (dB)

Magnitude (dB)

Frequency (Hz)

Response Type

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Highpass  
Bandpass  
**Bandstop**  
Differentiator

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IIR Butterworth  
FIR Equiripple

Filter Order

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**Minimum order**

Options

Match exactly: stopband

Frequency Specifications

Units: Hz  
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Fstop1: 12  
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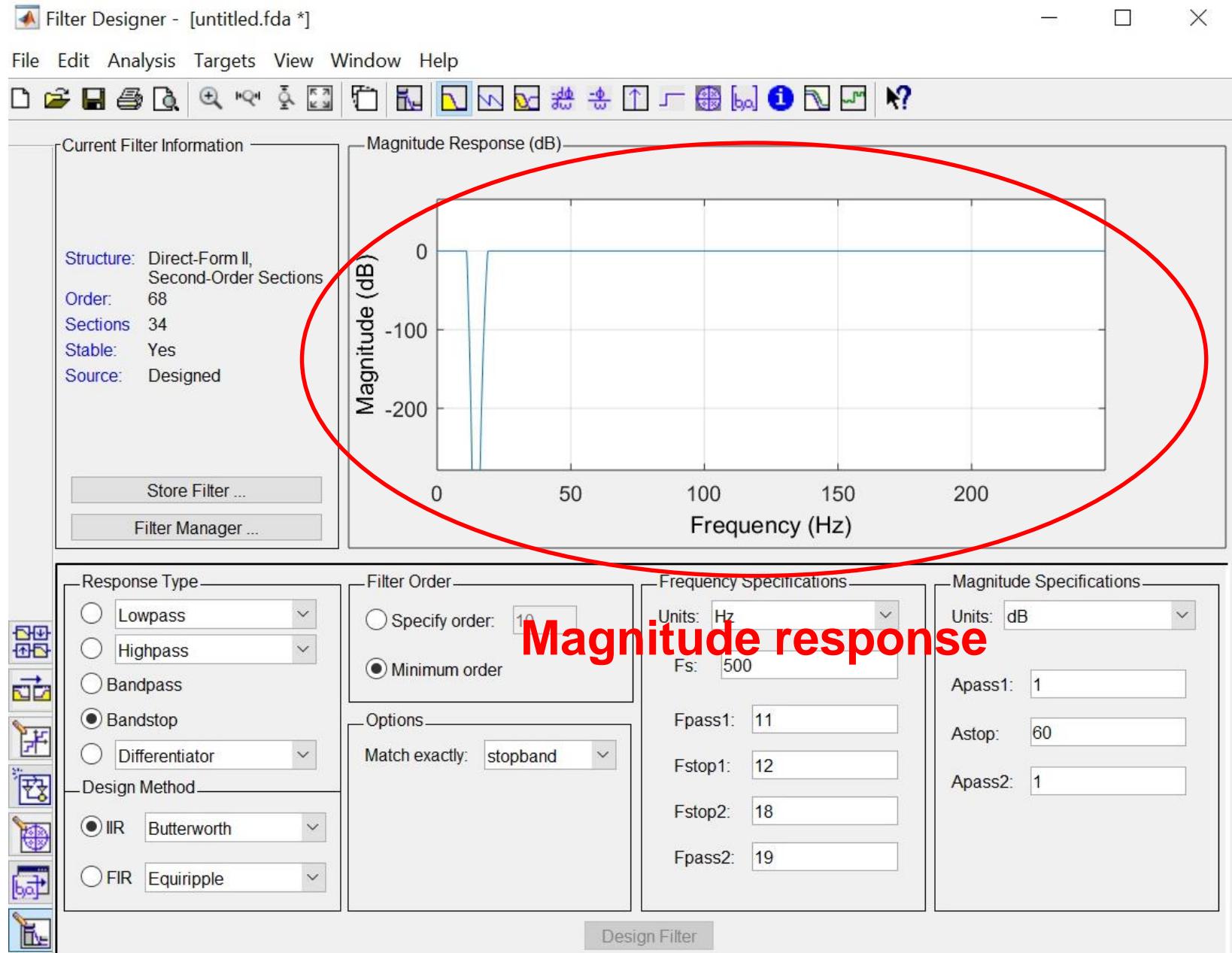
Magnitude Specifications

Units: dB  
Apass1: 1  
Astop: 60  
Apass2: 1

**60 dB attenuation at stop band**

Design Filter

# Example



# Example

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Sections: 34  
Stable: Yes  
Source: Designed

Magnitude Response (dB)

Order 68

0 50 100 150 200

Magnitude (dB)

Frequency (Hz)

Store Filter ...

Filter Manager ...

Response Type

Lowpass  
Highpass  
Bandpass  
**Bandstop**  
Differentiator

Design Method

IIR Butterworth  
FIR Equiripple

Filter Order

Specify order: 10  
**Minimum order**

Options

Match exactly: stopband

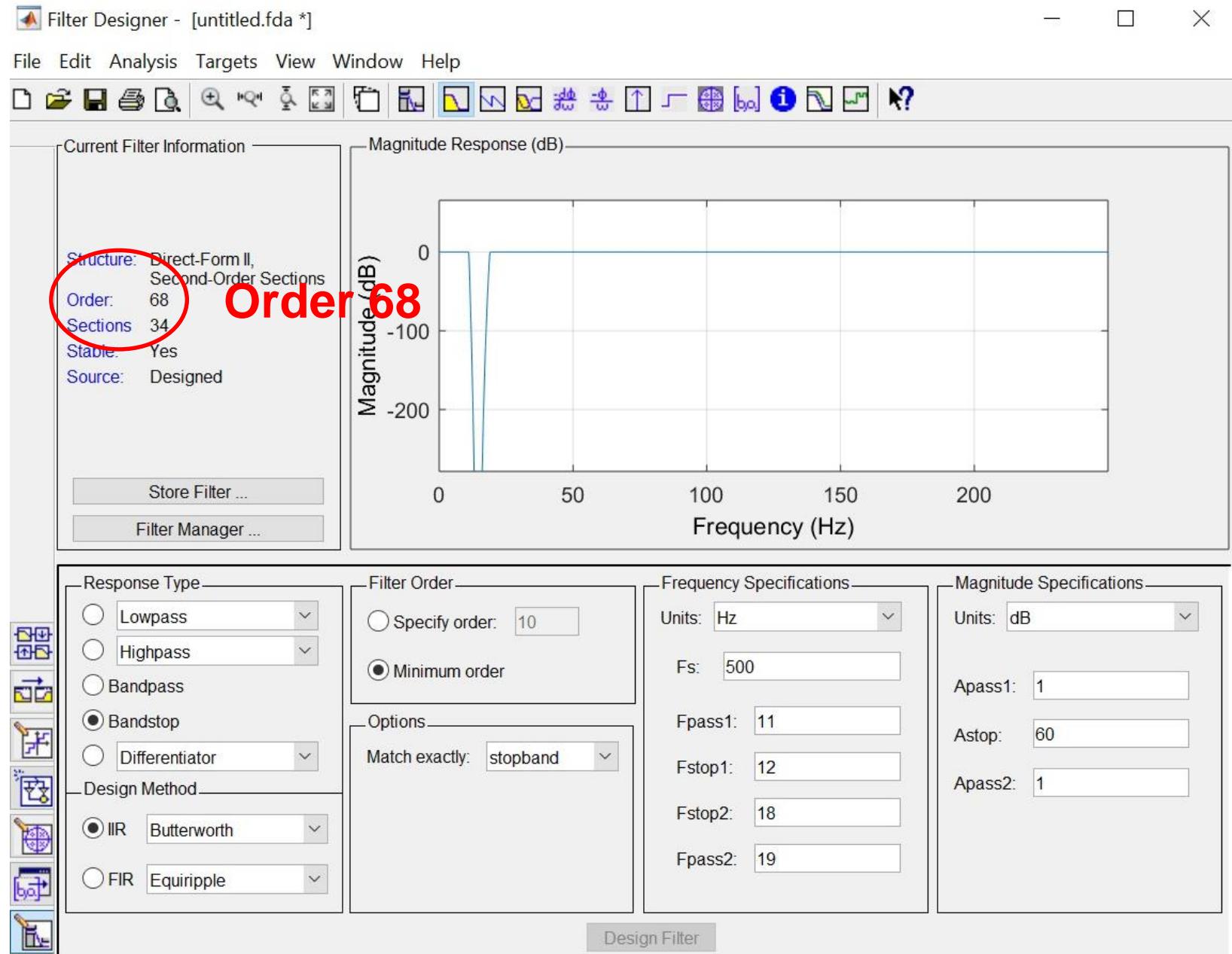
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Magnitude Specifications

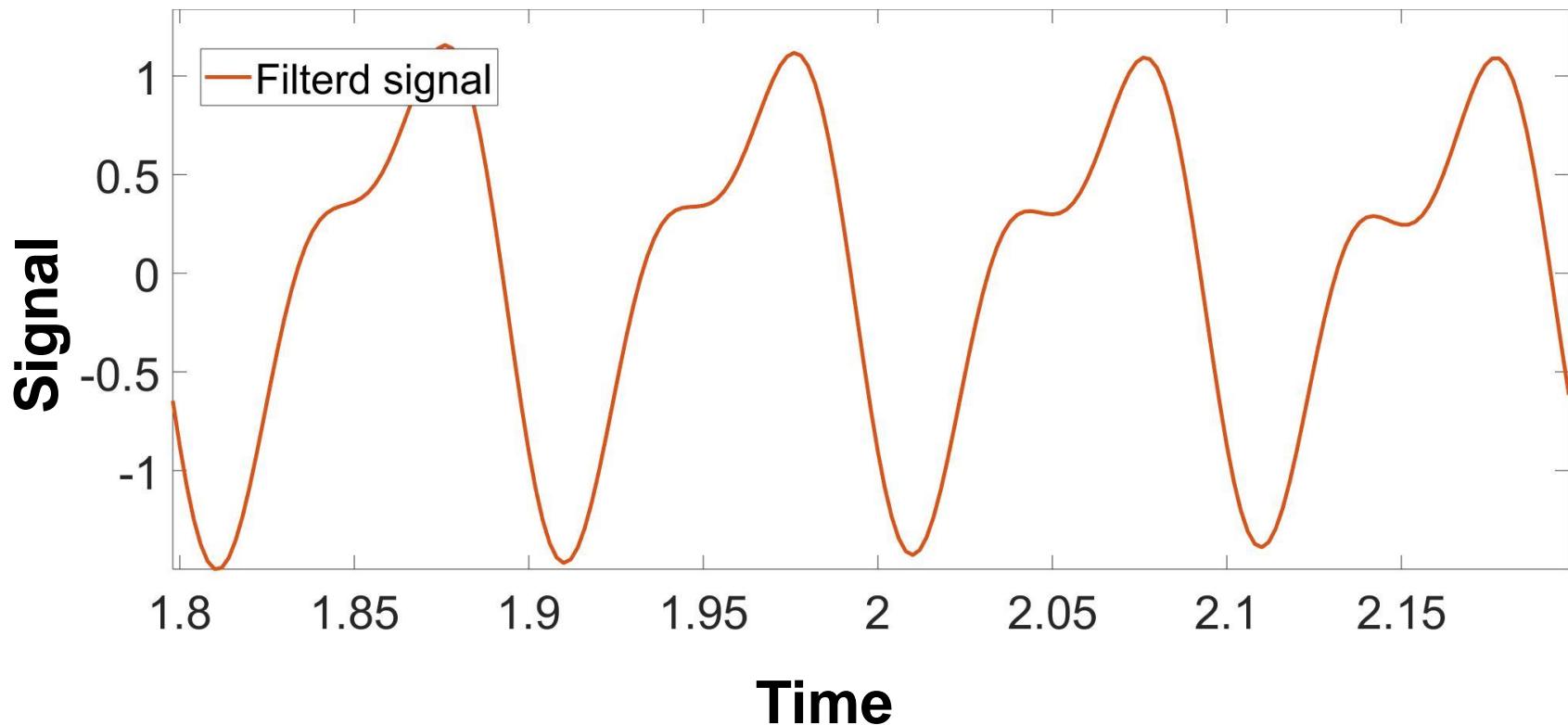
Units: dB  
Apass1: 1  
Astop: 60  
Apass2: 1

Design Filter



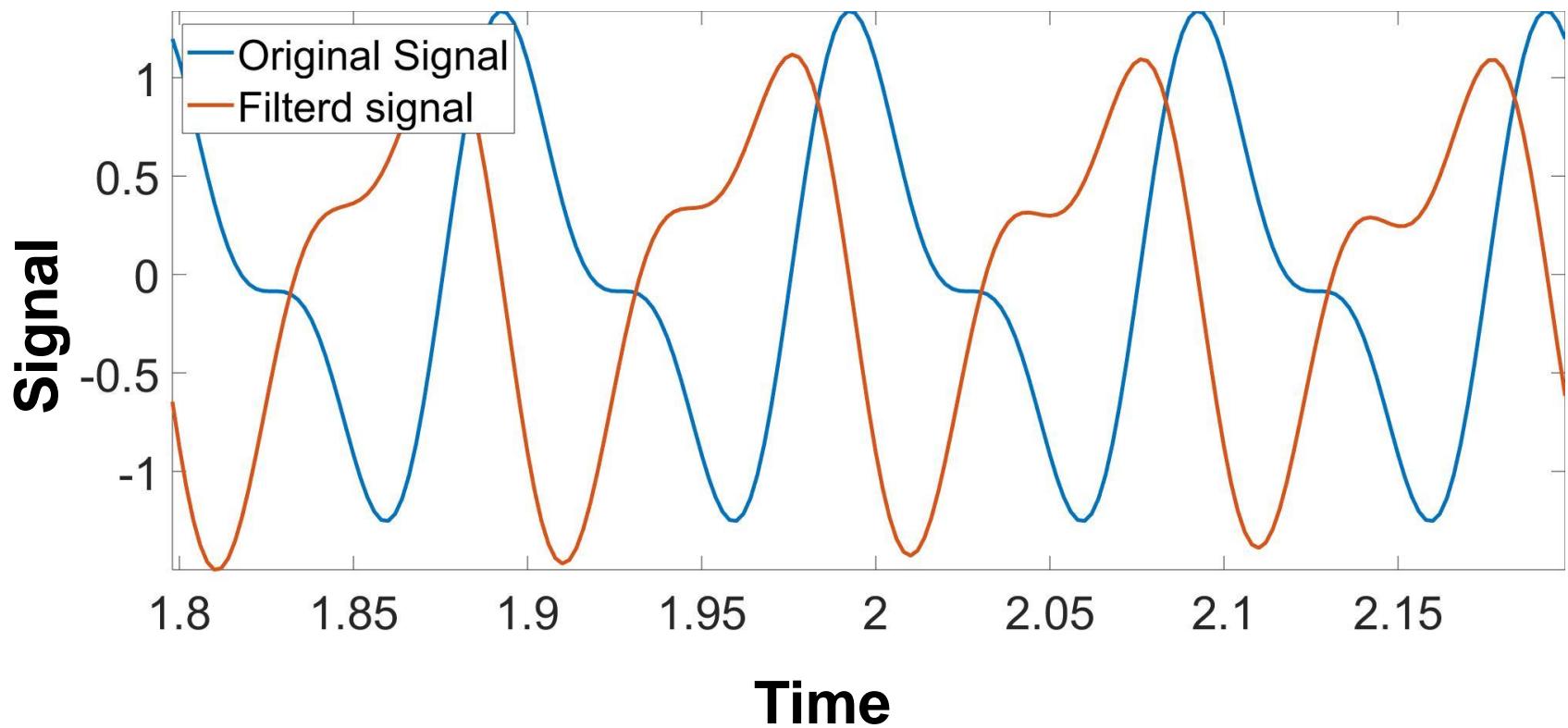
# Example

## Filtered signal using IIR Butterworth filter



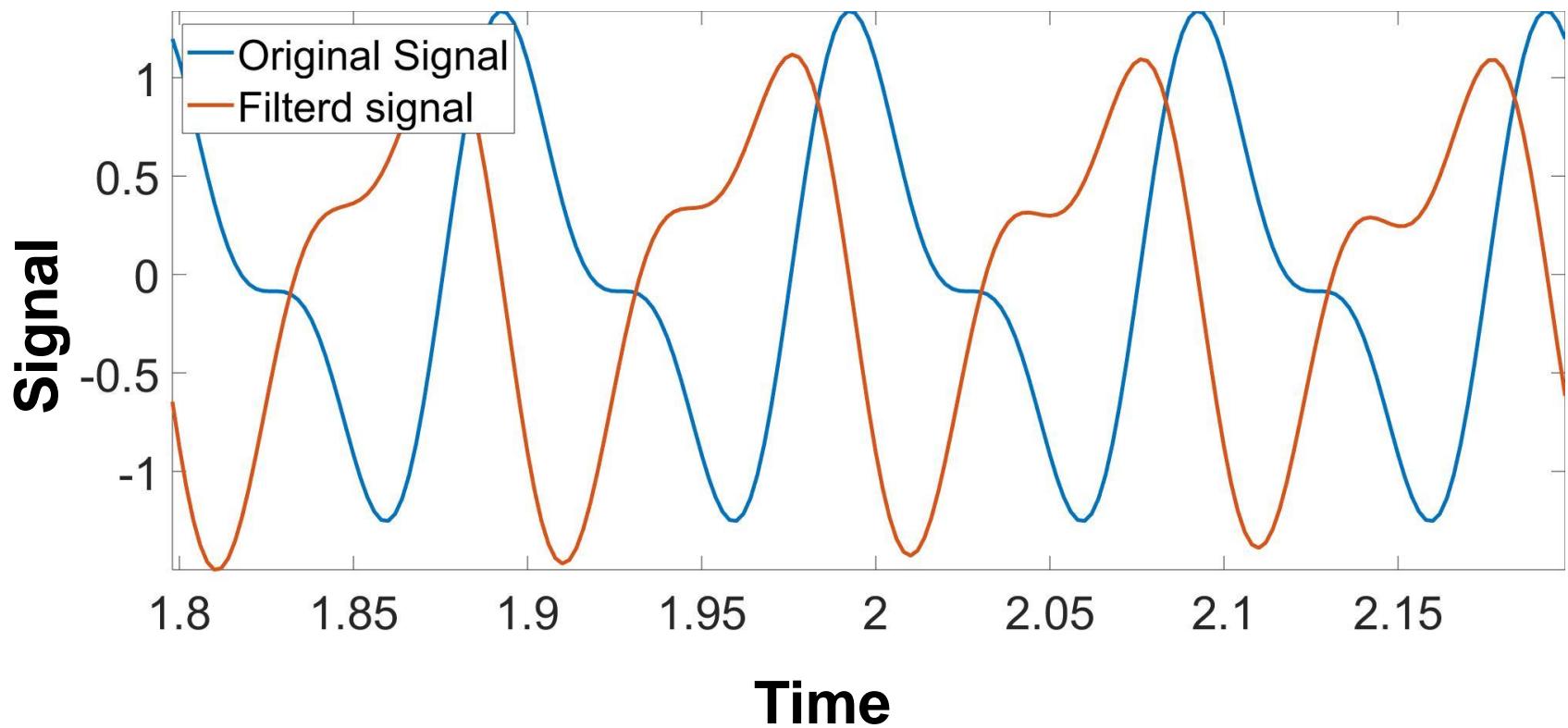
# Example

## Filtered signal v.s. Original signal



# Example

## Filtered signal v.s. Original signal



IIR filters have nonlinear phase response => Distortion

**Persevering the shape of  
the signals not important  
in most of the applications**

...

**For example in audio applications,  
because human hearing system  
is not sensitive to distortion.**

# Example

Filter Designer - [untitled.fda \*]

File Edit Analysis Targets View Window Help

Current Filter Information

Structure: Direct-Form FIR  
Order: 1814  
Stable: Yes  
Source: Designed

Magnitude Response (dB)

Magnitude (dB)

Frequency (Hz)

Store Filter ...

Filter Manager ...

Response Type

Lowpass

Highpass

Bandpass

Bandstop

Differentiator

Design Method

IIR Butterworth

FIR Window

FIR

Filter Order

Specify order: 10

Minimum order

Options

Scale Passband

Window: Kaiser

Frequency Specifications

Units: Hz

Fs: 500

Magnitude Specifications

Units: dB

Apass1: 1

Fpass1: 11

Fstop1: 12

Fstop2: 18

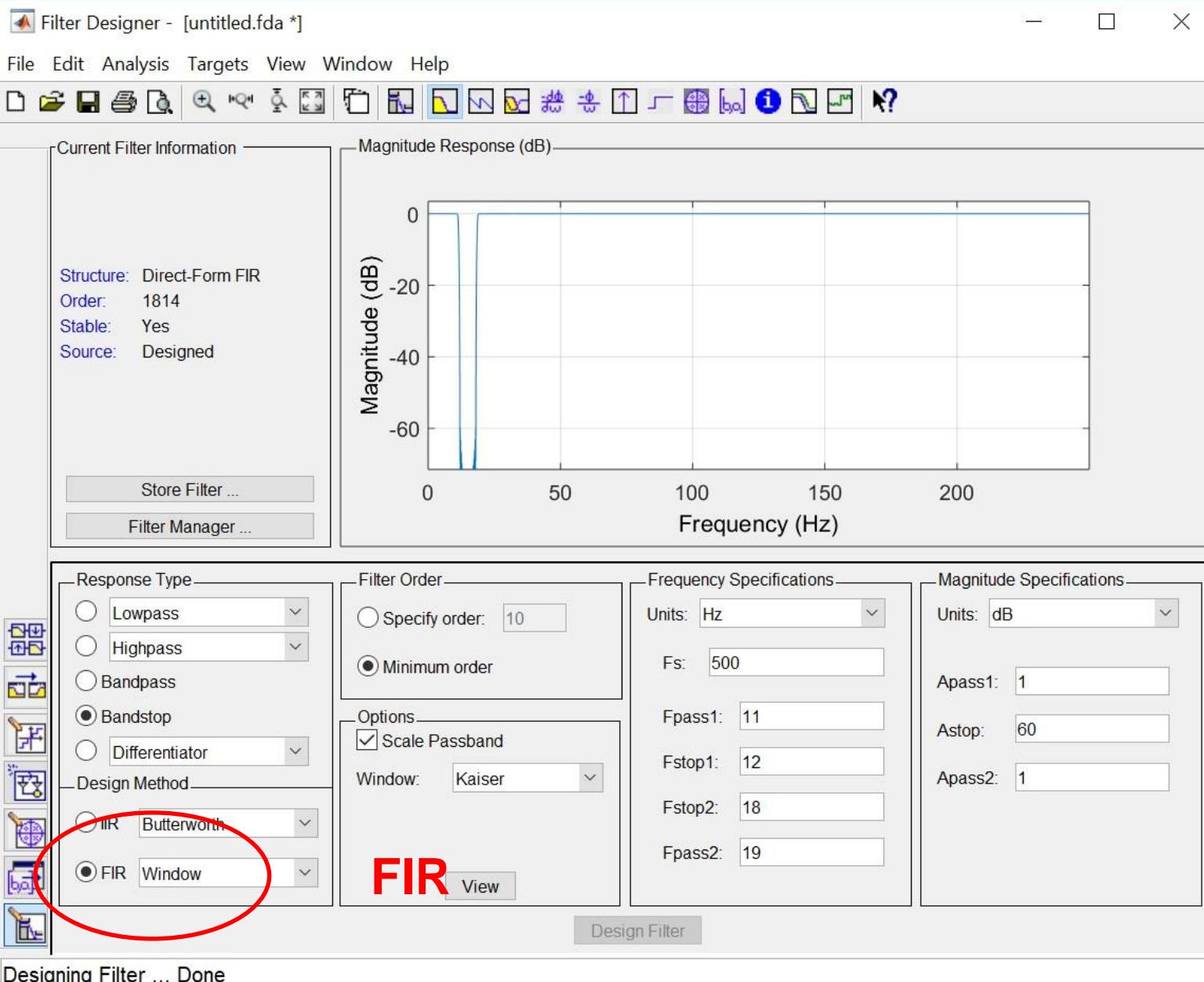
Fpass2: 19

Astop: 60

Apass2: 1

Design Filter

Designing Filter ... Done



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# Example

Filter Designer - [untitled.fda \*]

File Edit Analysis Targets View Window Help

Current Filter Information

Structure: Direct-Form FIR  
Order: 1814  
Stable: Yes  
Source: Designed

Store Filter ...  
Filter Manager ...

Magnitude Response (dB)

Magnitude (dB)

Frequency (Hz)

Response Type

Lowpass  
 Highpass  
 Bandpass  
 Bandstop  
 Differentiator

Design Method

IIR Butterworth  
 FIR Window

Filter Order

Specify order: 10  
 Minimum order

Options:  Stack Passbands

Window: Kaiser

View

Frequency Specifications

Units: Hz  
Fs: 500

Fpass1: 11  
Fstop1: 12  
Fstop2: 18  
Fpass2: 19

Magnitude Specifications

Units: dB  
Apass1: 1  
Astop: 60  
Apass2: 1

60 dB stopband attenuation

Design Filter

Designing Filter ... Done

# Example

Filter Designer - [untitled.fda \*]

File Edit Analysis Targets View Window Help

Current Filter Information

Structure: Direct-Form FIR  
Order: 1814 (circled)  
Stable: Yes  
Source: Designed

Magnitude Response (dB)

Order 1814 !

Frequency (Hz)

Store Filter ...

Filter Manager ...

Response Type

Lowpass  
Highpass  
Bandpass  
**Bandstop**  
Differentiator

Design Method

IIR Butterworth  
**FIR Window**

Filter Order

Specify order: 10  
**Minimum order**

Options

Scale Passband (checked)  
Window: Kaiser

View

Frequency Specifications

Units: Hz  
Fs: 500

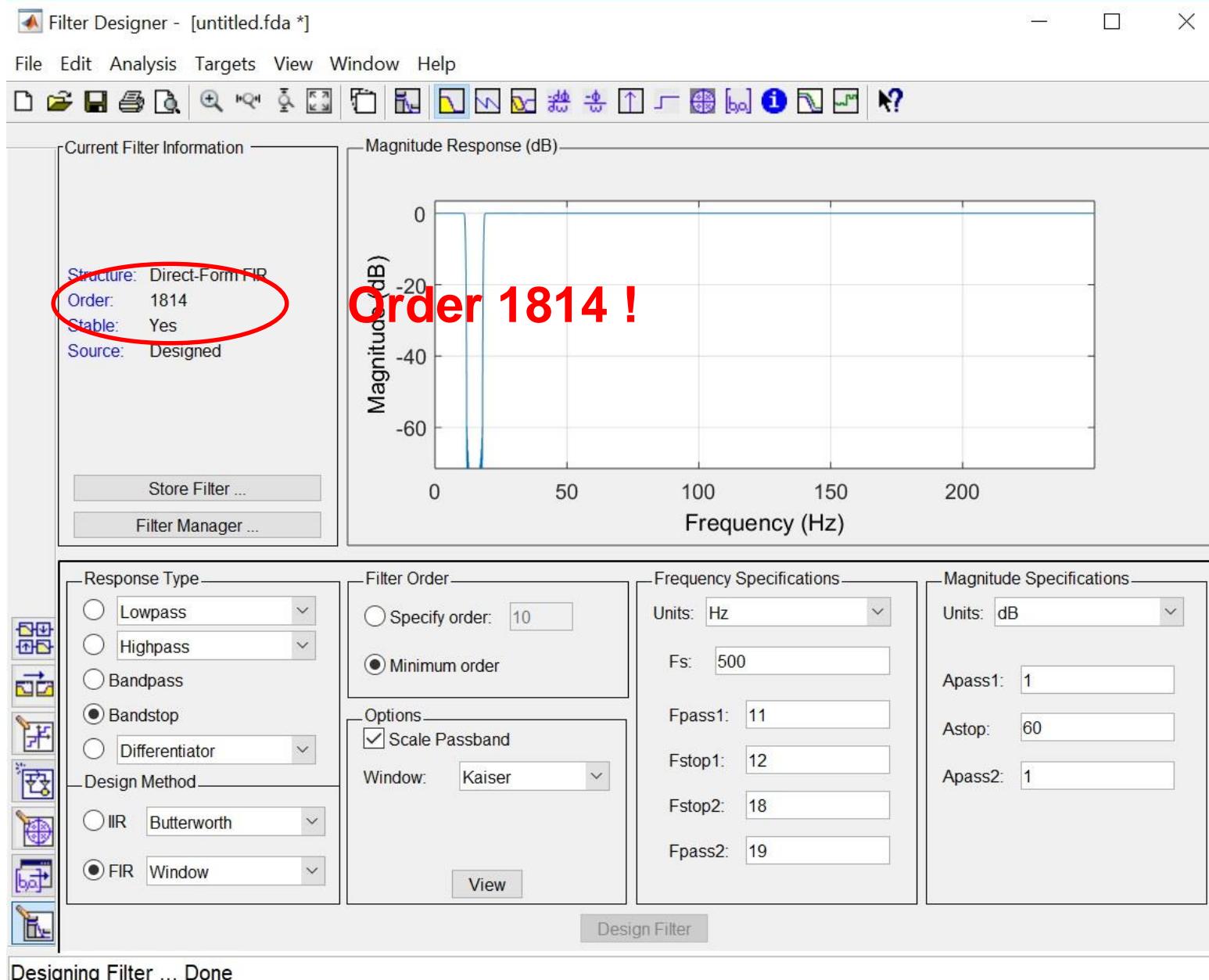
Magnitude Specifications

Units: dB  
Apass1: 1  
Astop: 60  
Apass2: 1

Fpass1: 11  
Fstop1: 12  
Fstop2: 18  
Fpass2: 19

Design Filter

Designing Filter ... Done



# Example

Filter Designer - [untitled.fda \*]

File Edit Analysis Targets View Window Help

Current Filter Information

Structure: Direct-Form FIR  
Order: 588 (circled)  
Stable: Yes  
Source: Designed

Magnitude Response (dB)

Magnitude (dB) vs Frequency (Hz)

Frequency (Hz): 0, 50, 100, 150, 200

Order 588

Store Filter ...  
Filter Manager ...

Response Type

Lowpass  
Highpass  
Bandpass  
**Bandstop**  
Differentiator

Design Method

IIR Butterworth  
**FIR Window**

Filter Order

Specify order: 10  
**Minimum order**

Options

Scale Passband  
Window: Kaiser

View

Frequency Specifications

Units: Hz  
Fs: 500

Passband: Fpass1: 11, Fpass2: 19

Stopband: Fstop1: 12, Fstop2: 18

Magnitude Specifications

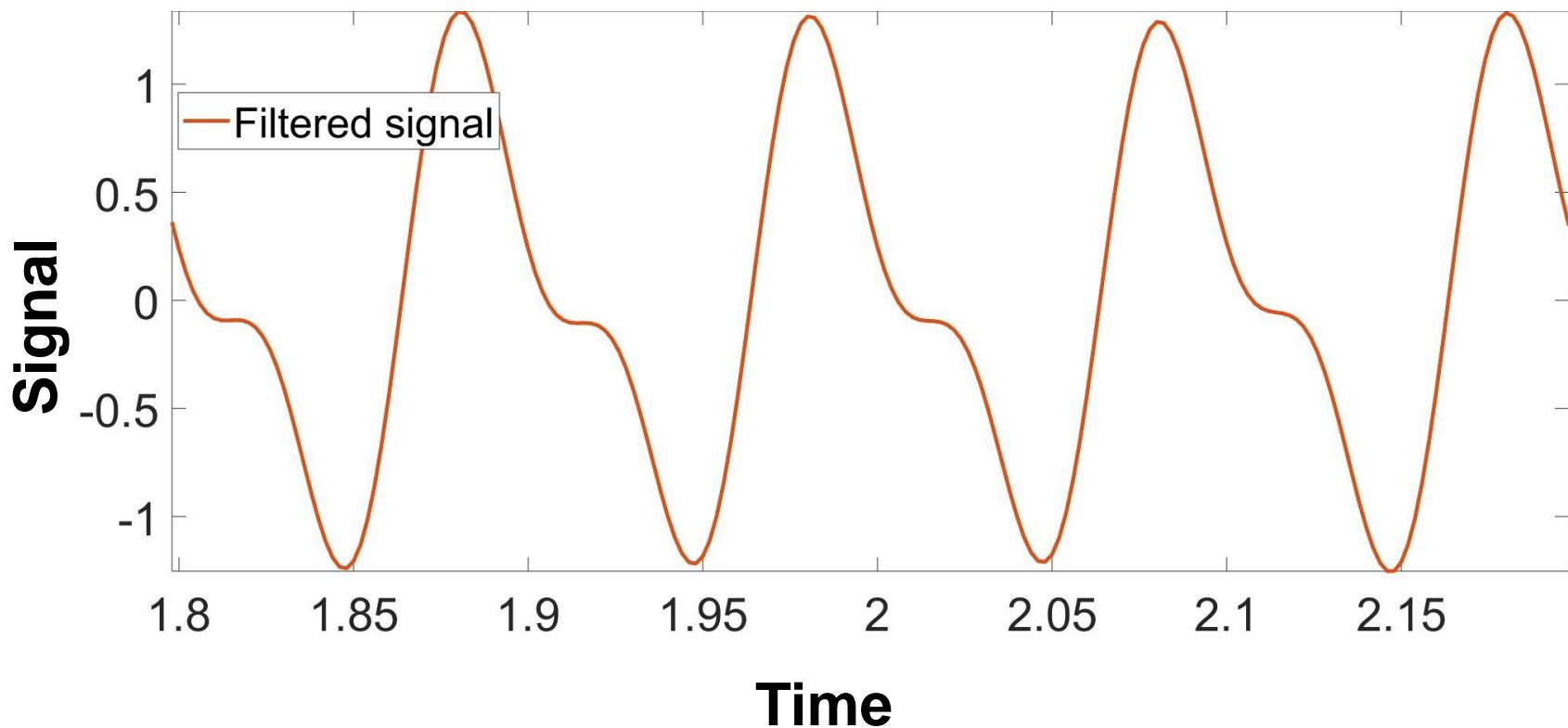
Units: dB  
Apass1: 1  
**Astop: 20**  
Apass2: 1

Design Filter

Designing Filter ... Done

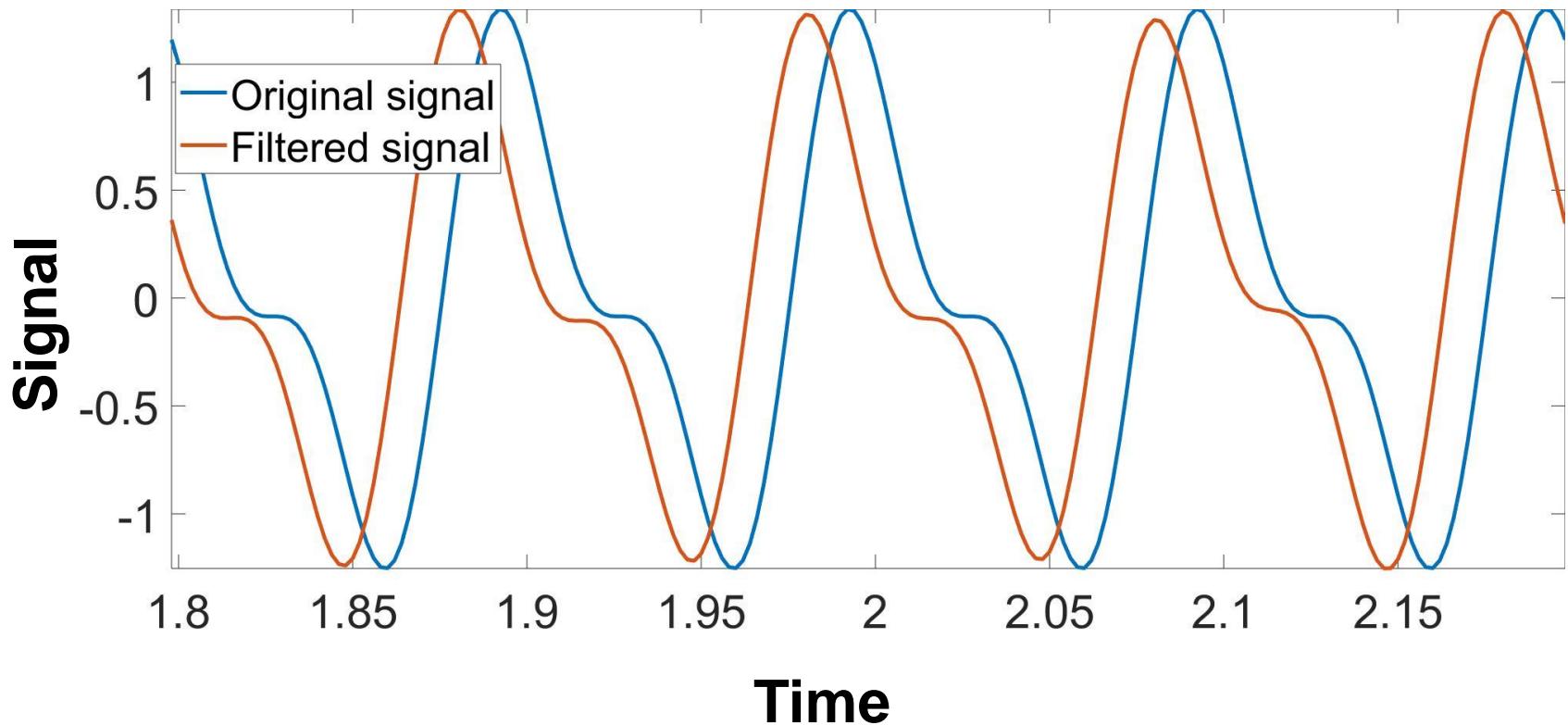
# Example

## Filtered signal using FIR



# Example

## Filtered signal v.s. Original signal



**FIR filters have linear phase response !**

**Persevering the shape of  
the signals is important  
in bio-signals applications**

# Example

%% Producing the original signal

% Sampling period

Fs = 500;

% Sampling interval

Ts=1/Fs;

% Length of the signal

N=2000;

% Maximum time

Tmax=(N-1)\*Ts;

% Time vector

t=0:Ts:Tmax;

# Example

```
% Main frequencies & phase of the oreginal signal
F1=10;
F2=20;
phi1=1.4;
% Oreginal signal
x=cos(2*pi*F1*t)+0.5*cos(2*pi*F2*t+phi1);
% Plot range
plot_range =(N/2-100:N/2+100);
% Plot signal in the range
figure(1)
plot(t(plot_range),x(plot_range),'LineWidth',2.5);
axis tight
```

# Example

```
%% Generate noise in a specific frequency band (12-18 Hz)
```

```
% Generate white Gaussian noise
```

```
ns = randn(1,length(x))*3;
```

```
% Design and load pass band filter: 12 to 18 Hz
```

```
load PB_12_18;
```

```
fvtool(PB_12_18)
```

```
% Construct in-band noise
```

```
ns_filtered=filter(PB_12_18,ns);
```

```
% Signal + Noise
```

```
x_ns=x+ns_filtered;
```

# Example

```
% Plot oreginal signal and signal plus noise
figure(3)
plot(t(plot_range),x(plot_range),'LineWidth',2.5);
hold on
plot(t(plot_range),x_ns(plot_range),'LineWidth',2.5);
axis tight
```

# Example

```
%% single-sided frequency spectrum of the signal plus noise
```

```
% Compute fft  
X=fft(x_ns);  
% Take abs and scale it  
X2=abs(X/N);  
% Pick the first half  
X1=X2(1:N/2+1);  
% Multiply by 2 (except the DC part), to compensate  
% the removed side from the spectrum.  
X1(2:end-1) = 2*X1(2:end-1);
```

# Example

```
% Frequency range  
F = Fs*(0:(N/2))/N;  
% Plot single-sided spectrum  
figure(4)  
plot(F,X1,'LineWidth',2.5)  
title('Single-Sided Amplitude Spectrum')  
xlabel('f (Hz)');
```

# Example

```
%% Remove noise usin band-stop IIR filter  
  
% Design and load IIR band stop filter: 12 to 18 Hz  
load SB_12_18  
fvtool(SB_12_18)  
% Filter the noise out  
x_clean_IIR=filter(SB_12_18,x_ns);
```

# Example

```
% Single sided spectrum of cleaned signal  
% Compute fft  
X=fft(x_clean_IIR);  
% Take abs and scale it  
X2=abs(X/N);  
% Pick the first half  
X1=X2(1:N/2+1);  
% Multiply by 2 (except the DC part), to compensate  
% the removed side from the spectrum.  
X1(2:end-1) = 2*X1(2:end-1);
```

# Example

```
% Plot single-sided spectrum
figure(6)
plot(F,X1,'LineWidth',2.5)
title('Single-Sided Amplitude Spectrum')
xlabel('f (Hz)');
figure(7)
plot(t(plot_range),x(plot_range),'LineWidth',2.5);
hold on
plot(t(plot_range),x_clean_IIR(plot_range),'LineWidth',
2.5);
axis tight
```

# Example

```
%% Remove noise usin band-stop FIR filter
% Design and load FIR band stop filter: 12 to 18 Hz
load SB_12_18_FIR
fvtool(SB_12_18_FIR)
% Filter the noise out
x_clean_FIR=filter(SB_12_18_FIR,x_ns);
% Single sided spectrum of cleaned signal
% Compute fft
X=fft(x_clean_FIR);
% Take abs and scale it
X2=abs(X/N);
% Pick the first half
X1=X2(1:N/2+1);
```

# Example

```
% Multiply by 2 (except the DC part), to compensate  
% the removed side from the spectrum.  
X1(2:end-1) = 2*X1(2:end-1);  
  
% Frequency range  
F = Fs*(0:(N/2))/N;  
  
% Plot single-sided spectrum  
figure(9)  
plot(F,X1,'LineWidth',2.5)  
title('Single-Sided Amplitude Spectrum')  
xlabel('f (Hz)');
```

# Example

```
figure(10)
plot(t(plot_range),x(plot_range),'LineWidth',2.5);
hold on
plot(t(plot_range),x_clean_FIR(plot_range),'LineWidth'
,2.5);
axis tight
```

# Useful links

- <http://www.montefiore.ulg.ac.be/~ebrahimbabaie/applieddigitial.htm>