

# **AN INTROUCTION TO 2-DIMENSIONAL DSP**

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# INTRODUCTION

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- **Background:** Many types of analyses make use of 2- dimensional images ....
  - Photographs
  - Satellite images
  - X-rays and other medical images
- **Many concepts from 1-D DSP are directly extensible to two dimensions, but some are not**

# INTRODUCTION

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## ■ Goals of this lecture:

- To summarize basic 2-D relationships
- To identify which concepts do or do not extend to 2-D
- To discuss briefly 2-D filter design approaches

## ■ For further reading:

- *Two-Dimensional Signal and Image Processing* by Jae Lim
- Chapter *Two-Dimensional Signal Processing* by Lim in the edited book by Lim and Oppenheim on Advanced DSP (pseudo-text for ADSP)
- Many many other texts and resources

# Some examples of original and processed images

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## ■ Peppers ...





# Effects of lowpass filtering

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■ Original image:

■ After lowpass filter:

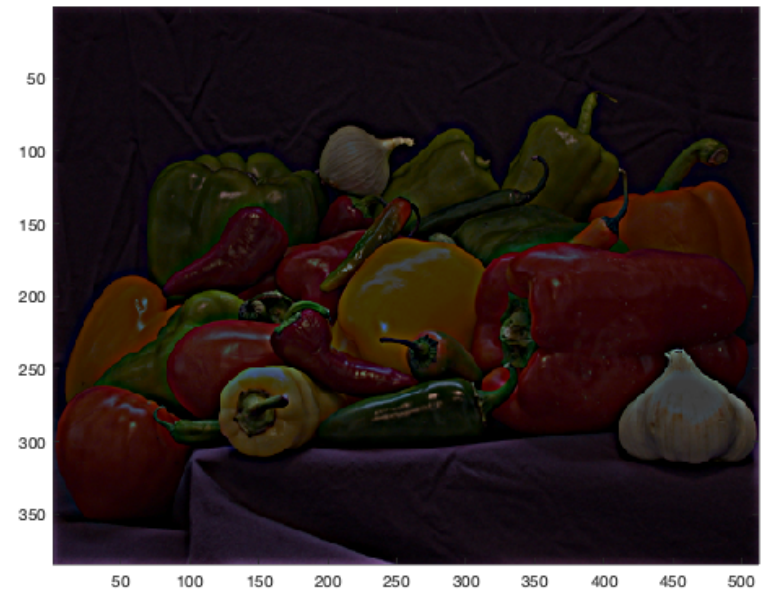


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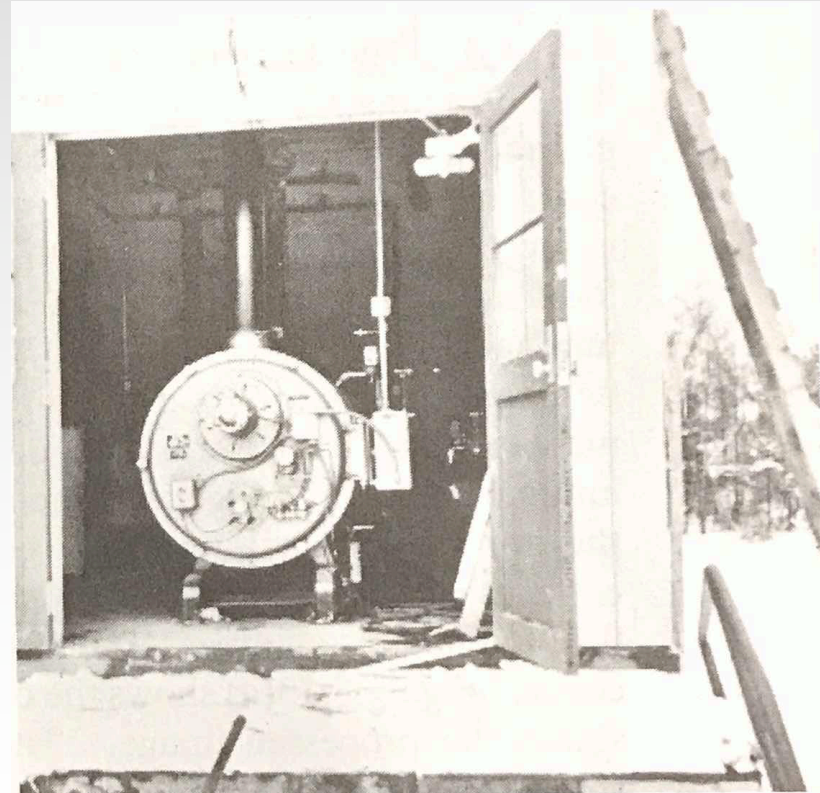
# An example of nonlinear processing

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■ Original:



Enhancement via homomorphic  
homomorphic filtering:



# Some examples of 2-D signals

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- **The unit sample function:**

$$\delta[n_1, n_2] = \begin{cases} 1, & n_1 = n_2 = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **The unit step function:**

$$u[n_1, n_2] = \begin{cases} 1, & n_1 \geq 0, n_2 \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **The exponential function:**

$$x[n_1, n_2] = \alpha_1^n \beta_2^n$$

# Some examples of 2-D signals

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- **Cosine functions:**

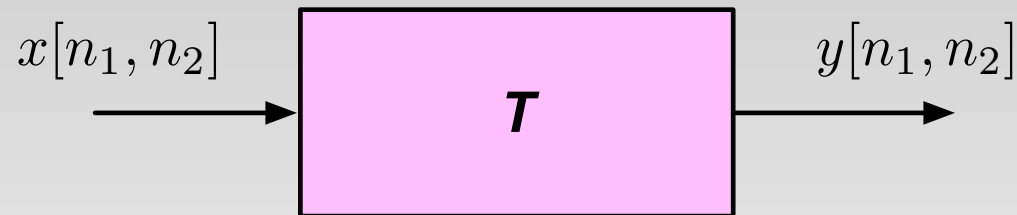
$$x[n_1, n_2] = \cos(\omega_1 n_1 + \phi_1) \cos(\omega_2 n_2 + \phi_2)$$

- **Note:** A sequence is **separable** if

$$x[n_1, n_2] = x_1[n_1]x_2[n_2]$$

## 2-D LSI systems

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- A system is **linear** if

$$ax_1[n_1, n_2] + bx_2[n_1, n_2] \Rightarrow ay_1[n_1, n_2] + by_2[n_1, n_2]$$

- A system is **shift invariant** if for all  $k, l$

$$x[n_1 - k, n_2 - l] \Rightarrow y[n_1 - k, n_2 - l]$$

- If a 2-D system is **LSI**, then

$$\delta[n_1, n_2] \Rightarrow h[n_1, n_2]$$

# The convolution sum

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- As in 1-D, we can represent an input as a linear combination of shifted and scaled delta functions producing ...

- 1-D convolution:

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k]h[n-k]$$

- 2-D convolution:

$$y[n_1, n_2] = \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k_2=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k_1, k_2]h[n_1 - k_1, n_2 - k_2]$$



# Convolving separable functions

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- If both  $x[n_1, n_2]$  and  $h[n_1, n_2]$  are separable, then

$$\begin{aligned} y[n_1, n_2] &= \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k_2=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k_1, k_2] h[n_1 - k_1, n_2 - k_2] \\ &= \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k_2=-\infty}^{\infty} x_1[k_1] x_2[k_2] y_1[n_1 - k_1] y_2[n_2 - k_2] \end{aligned}$$

or

$$y[n_1, n_2] = \sum_{k_1=-\infty}^{\infty} x_1[k_1] y_1[n_1 - k_1] \sum_{k_2=-\infty}^{\infty} x_2[k_2] y_2[n_2 - k_2]$$

- In other words, if  $x$  and  $h$  are separable, the 2-D convolution becomes the product of two 1-D convolutions. For finite sequences of length  $N$ , this **reduces the number of multiplies from  $N^4$  to  $2N^2$**



# Some system properties

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- A system is **causal** if

$$h[n_1, n_2] = h[n_1, n_2]u[n_1, n_2]$$

(This is not usually a big deal in 2-D)

- A system is **stable** if

$$\sum_{n_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n_1, n_2]| < \infty$$

# Difference equations for causal systems

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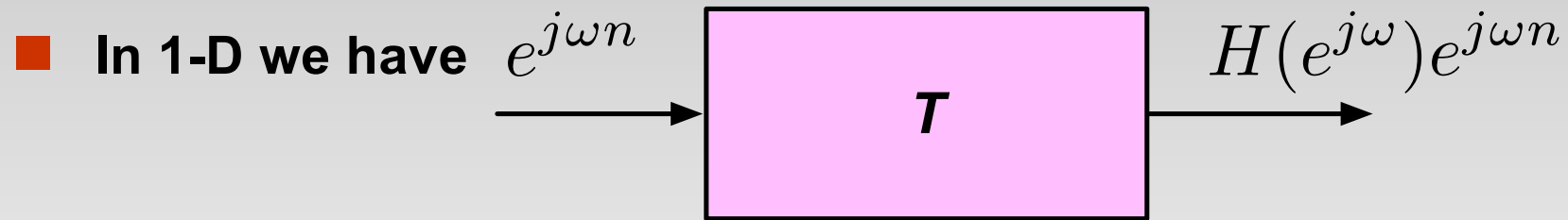
$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k y[n - k] = \sum_{l=0}^M b_l x[n - l]$$

## ■ In 2 dimensions:

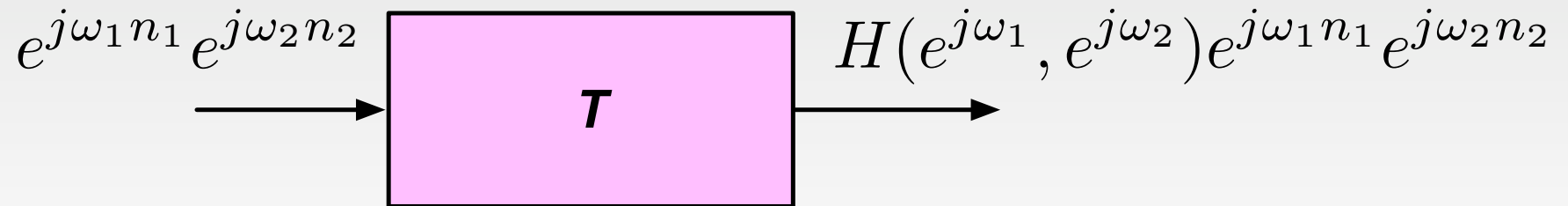
$$\sum_{k_1=0}^{N_1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{N_2} a_{k_1, k_2} y[n_1 - k_1, n_2 - k_2] = \sum_{l_1=0}^{N_2} \sum_{l_2=0}^{N_2} b_{l_1, l_2} x[n_1 - l_1, n_2 - l_2]$$

# The 2-D discrete-time Fourier transform

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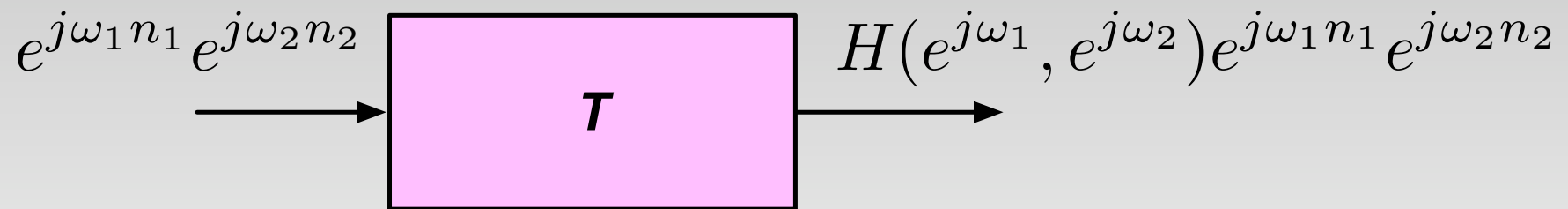


■ In 2-D we have



# The 2-D discrete-time Fourier transform

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■ From the convolution sum definition we can obtain

$$H(e^{j\omega_1}, e^{j\omega_2}) = \sum_{n_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=-\infty}^{\infty} h[n_1, n_2] e^{-j\omega_1 n_1} e^{-j\omega_2 n_2}$$

and

$$h[n_1, n_2] = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} H(e^{j\omega_1}, e^{j\omega_2}) e^{j\omega_1 n_1} e^{j\omega_2 n_2} d\omega_1 d\omega_2$$

# The 2-D discrete-time Fourier transform

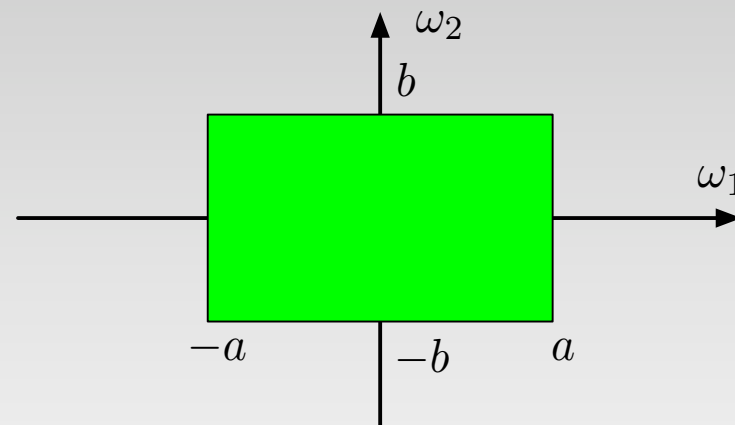
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## ■ Comments:

- $H(e^{j\omega_1}, e^{j\omega_2})$  is periodic with period  $2\pi$  in  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$
- If  $h[n_1, n_2]$  is separable,  $H(e^{j\omega_1}, e^{j\omega_2})$  is as well, and computing the 2-D DTF becomes just a matter of computing the product of two 1-D DTFTs
- Convolution in time  $\Leftrightarrow$  multiplication in frequency

# An example of frequency response

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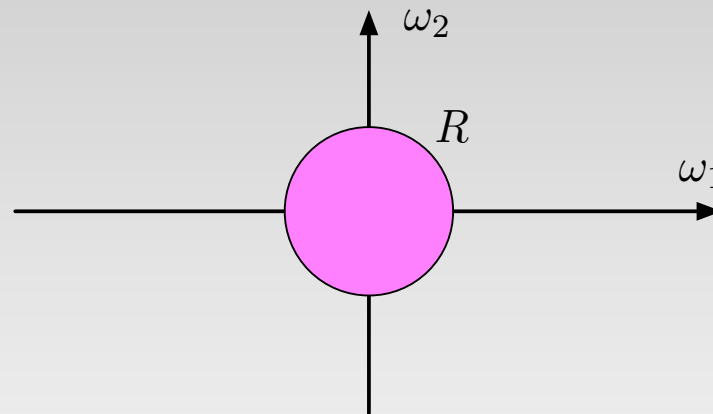
$$H(e^{j\omega_1}, e^{j\omega_2}) = \begin{cases} 1, & |\omega_1| \leq a, |\omega_2| \leq b, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

■ The DTFT is **separable** and

$$h[n_1, n_2] = \frac{\sin(an_1)}{\pi n_1} \frac{\sin(bn_2)}{\pi n_2}$$

## A second example of a frequency response

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$$H(e^{j\omega_1}, e^{j\omega_2}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2 \leq R^2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- This DTFT is **not separable**! It can be shown that

$$h[n_1, n_2] = \frac{\omega_c}{2\pi \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2}} J_1 \left( \omega_c \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2} \right)$$

- Note: While this DTFT is not separable, it IS **rotation invariant** in both time and frequency

## 2-dimensional z-transforms

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- In a similar fashion to the 1-D case, we build up z-transforms by modeling time functions as linear combinations of the function

$$z_1^{n_1} z_2^{n_2} = (r_1 e^{j\omega_1})^{n_1} (r_2 e^{j\omega_2})^{n_2}$$

- In particular,

$$H(z_1, z_2) = \sum_{n_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=-\infty}^{\infty} h[n_1, n_2] z_1^{-n_1} z_2^{-n_2}$$

and

$$h[n_1, n_2] = \frac{1}{(2\pi j)^2} \int_{C_1} \int_{C_2} H(z_1, z_2) z_1^{n_1-1} z_2^{n_2-1} dz_1 dz_2$$



# An example 2-D z-transform

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- Consider the simple space function

$$x[n_1, n_2] = \begin{cases} K^{n_1}, & n_1 = n_2 \text{ and } n_1 \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- The corresponding z-transform is

$$\begin{aligned} X(z_1, z_2) &= \sum_{n_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=-\infty}^{\infty} K^{n_1} \delta[n_1 - n_2] z_1^{-n_1} z_2^{-n_2} u[n_1, n_2] \\ &= \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} K^{n_1} (z_1 z_2)^{-n_1} = \frac{1}{1 - K z_1^{-1} z_2^{-1}} \end{aligned}$$

which converges for  $|K z_1^{-1} z_2^{-1}| < 1$

# The fundamental curse of 2D-DSP

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■ **Comments: no poles and zeros (!), so**

- No easy tests for stability
- No parallel or cascade implementations
- No Parks-McClellan algorithm
- etc. etc.

# The 2-dimensional discrete Fourier transform

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- The 2D-DFT is derived in a fashion similar to how it had been in 1-D. Specifically:

$$H[k_1, k_2] = \sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{n_2=0}^{N_2-1} h[n_1, n_2] W_{N_1}^{k_1 n_1} W_{N_2}^{k_2 n_2}$$

and

$$h[n_1, n_2] = \frac{1}{N_1 N_2} \sum_{k_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{N_2-1} H[k_1, k_2] W_{N_1}^{-k_1 n_1} W_{N_2}^{-k_2 n_2}$$

- **Comments:**

- Multiplying coefficients in frequency corresponds to a 2-D circular (“toroidal”) convolution in space
- Overlap-add, overlap-save algorithms are still valid

# Computing the 2-D DFT

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- Again, the 2D-DF is

$$H[k_1, k_2] = \sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{n_2=0}^{N_2-1} h[n_1, n_2] W_{N_1}^{k_1 n_1} W_{N_2}^{k_2 n_2}$$

- This can be rewritten as

$$H[k_1, k_2] = \sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} W_{N_1}^{k_1 n_1} \sum_{n_2=0}^{N_2-1} h[n_1, n_2] W_{N_2}^{k_2 n_2}$$

- Let 
$$\sum_{n_2=0}^{N_2-1} h[n_1, n_2] W_{N_2}^{k_2 n_2} \equiv g[n_1, k_2]$$

then 
$$H[k_1, k_2] = \sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} g[n_1, k_2] W_{N_1}^{k_1 n_1}$$

# Computing the 2-D DFT

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## ■ To compute the 2-D DFT:

- Compute the 1-D DFT of each column and replace in the column
- Compute the row-wise DFTs of the resulting coefficients

## ■ Comments:

- This always works...  $x[n_1, n_2]$  need not be separable or anything else
- Huge computational savings
  - » For example: let  $N_1=N_2=1024 \approx 1000$
  - » Direct computation of 2D-DFT  $\approx 10^{12}$  complex mults!
  - » Using the row/column shortcut we have  $\approx 2 \cdot 10^9$  complex mults
  - » Using the shortcut and FFT algorithms leaves only  $10^7$  complex mults

# Some summary observations about 2D-DSP

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## ■ Many things are obvious extensions of 1-D DSP

- Linearity and shift invariance
- Convolution sum, difference equations
- 2-D DTFTs
- 2-D DFTs

## ■ Some things are fundamentally different:

- 2-D z-transforms
  - » No poles and zeros as we know them

# Some summary observations about 2D-DSP

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## ■ Some other things to keep in mind:

- Tradeoff between separability and rotation invariance
- Physical significance of 2-D complex exponentials
- Efficiencies provided by separability
- Efficient computation of the 2-D DFT

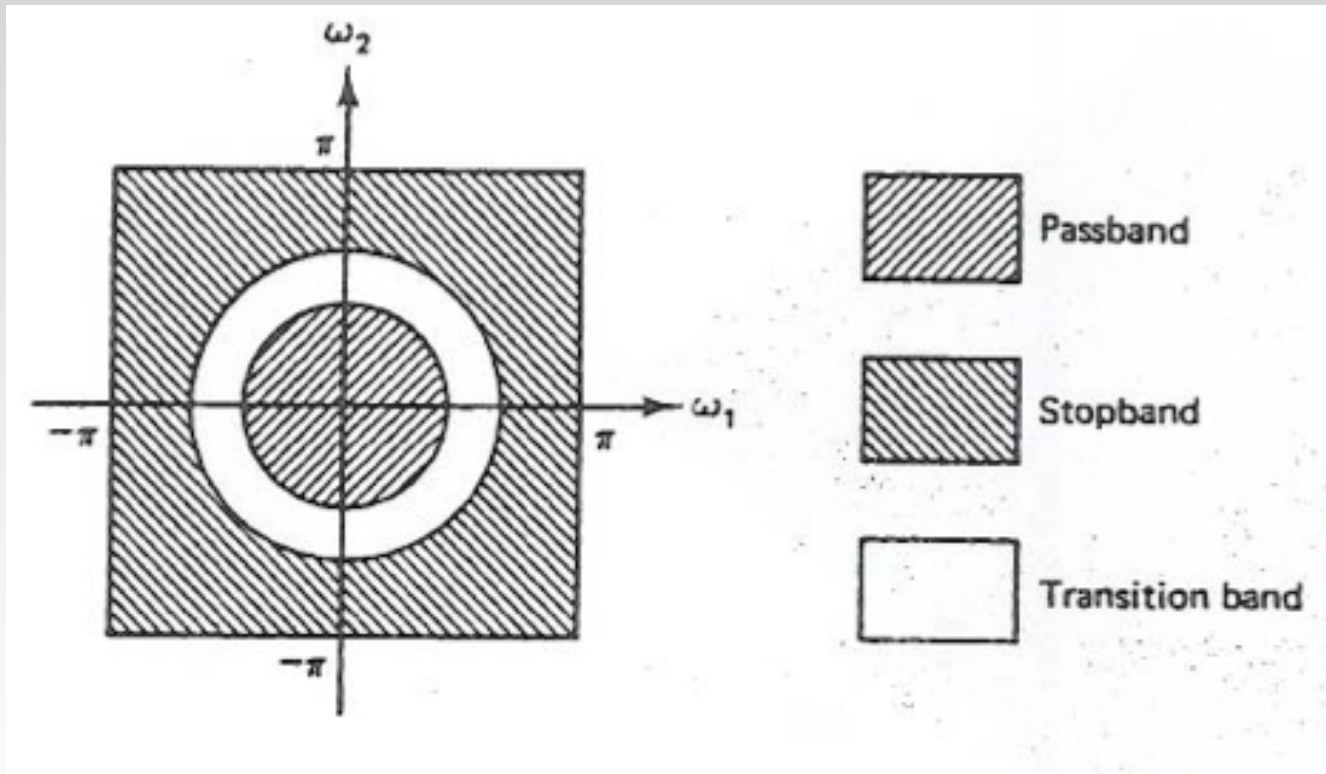
## ■ Next topic of discussion:

- 2-D discrete-space filter design



# The general 2-D filter design problem

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# Designing digital filters in two dimensions

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- **We will focus on FIR designs for now because of stability issues with IIR filters (despite computational efficiencies)**
- **Major FIR techniques:**
  - Window designs
  - Frequency-sampled design
  - Parks-McClellan algorithm
- **For the most part, 2-D FIR filters are designed by using successful 1-D techniques and extending to 2-D**
- **Zero-phase filtering is much more important in 2D than 1D**

## 2-dimensional FIR design using windows

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- **Let**  $h[n_1, n_2] = h_d[n_1, n_2]w[n_1, n_2]$

- **Separable window approach:**

$$w[n_1, n_2] = w[n_1]w[n_2]$$

- **Rotation-invariant window approach:**

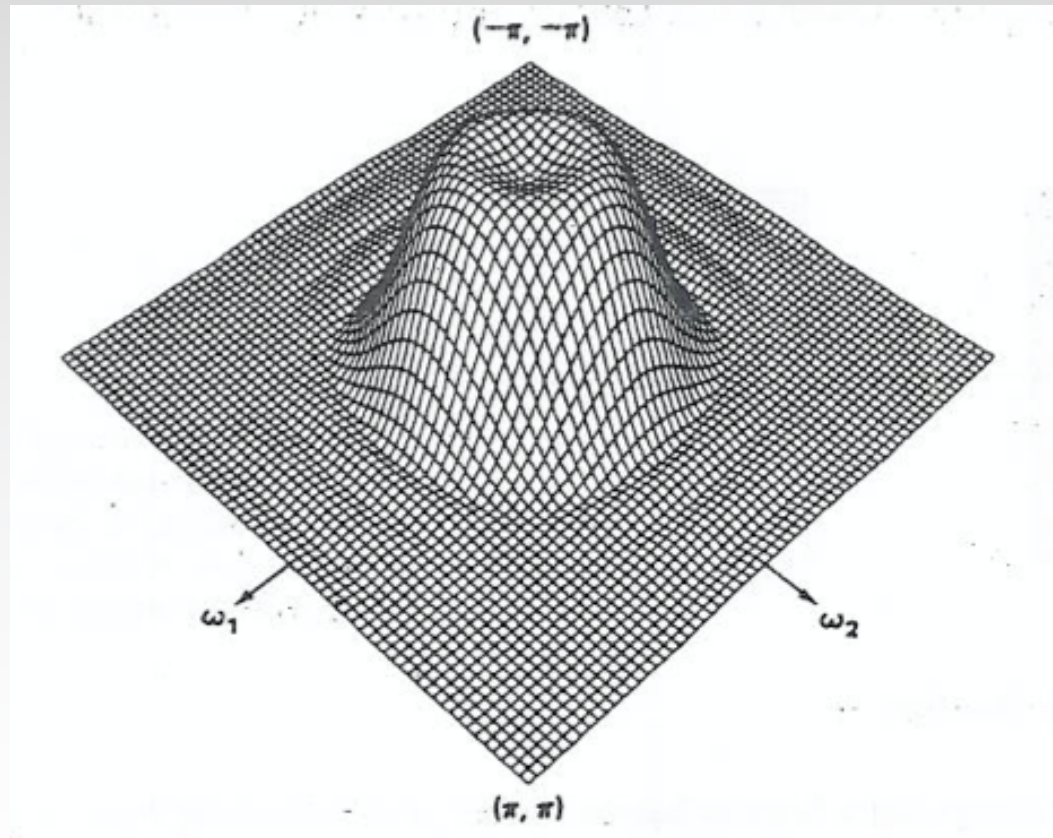
$$w[n_1, n_2] = w \left[ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2} \right]$$

where  $w[n]$  is a successful 1-D window, usually a Kaiser window

# A lowpass example using a separable window

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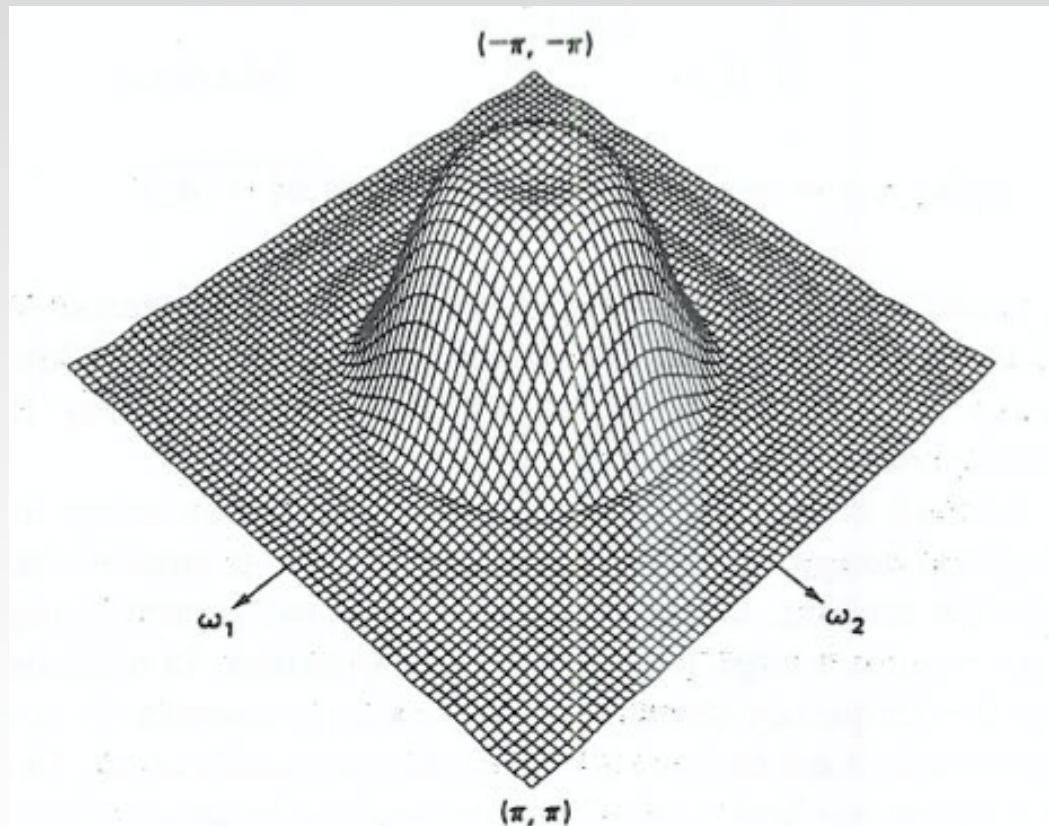
- Separable 9x9 Kaiser window,  $\omega_c = 0.4\pi$



# LPF example with a rotation-invariant window

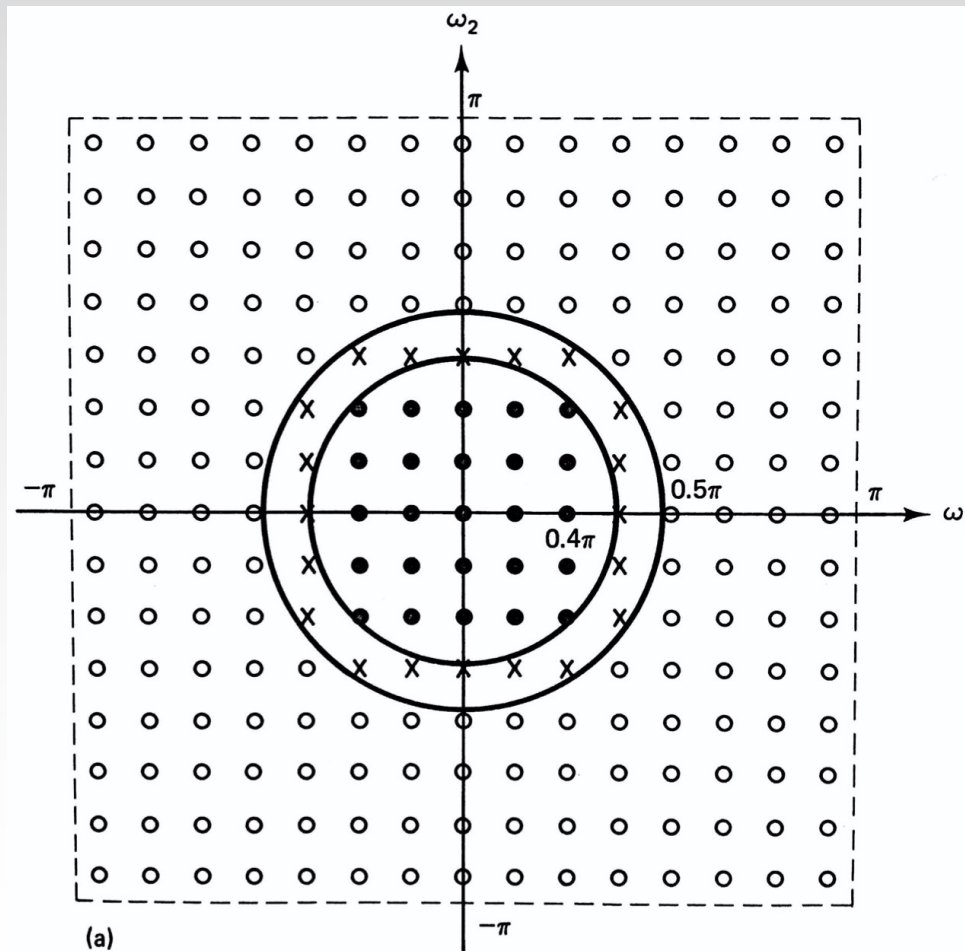
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- Rotation-invariant 9x9 Kaiser window,  $\omega_c = 0.4\pi$



# The frequency-sampling approach

## ■ 15 x 15-point design using frequency sampling



# Optimum 2-D FIR filters

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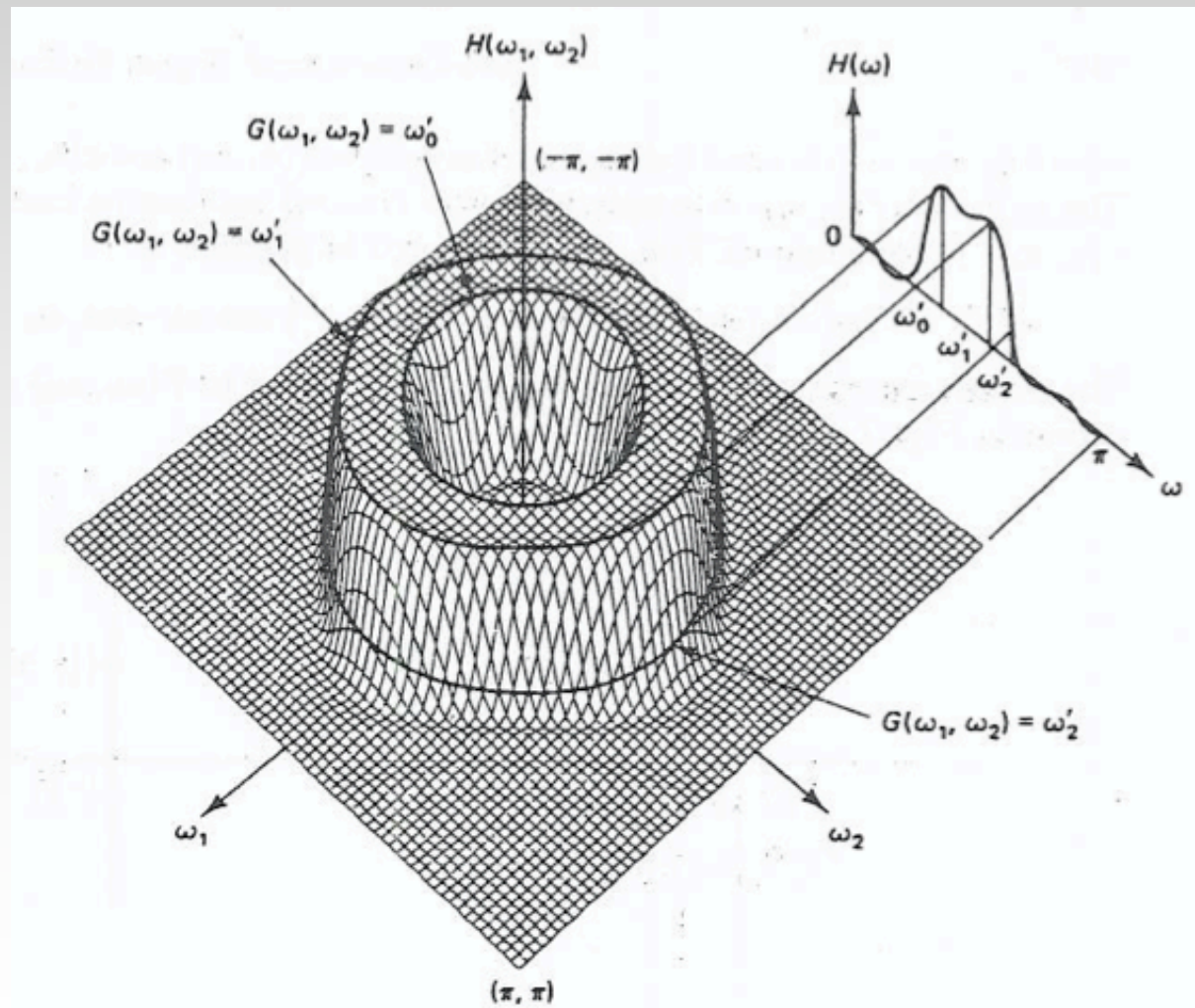
## ■ General approach:

- Design optimal 1-D filter using Parks-McClellan algorithm
- Transform from 1-D to 2-D using method also developed in McClellan thesis (!)

$$H(\omega_1, \omega_2) = H(\omega) \big|_{\omega=G(\omega_1, \omega_2)}$$



# The general approach





# The McClellan transformation

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■ As you will recall,

$$\begin{aligned} H(\omega) &= \sum_{n=-N}^N h[n] e^{-j\omega n} = h[0] + \sum_{n=1}^N 2h[n] \cos(\omega n) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^N a[n] \cos(\omega n) = \sum_{n=0}^N b[n] (\cos(\omega n))^n \end{aligned}$$

■ The 2-D response is obtained by

$$H(\omega_1, \omega_2) = H(\omega) \big|_{\cos(\omega)=T(\omega_1, \omega_2)} = \sum_{n=0}^N b[n] T[\omega_1, \omega_2]^n$$

# The 2-D to 2-D transform

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- From before,

$$H(\omega_1, \omega_2) = H(\omega) \big|_{\cos(\omega)=T(\omega_1, \omega_2)} = \sum_{n=0}^N b[n] T(\omega_1, \omega_2)^n$$

- This can be expressed as

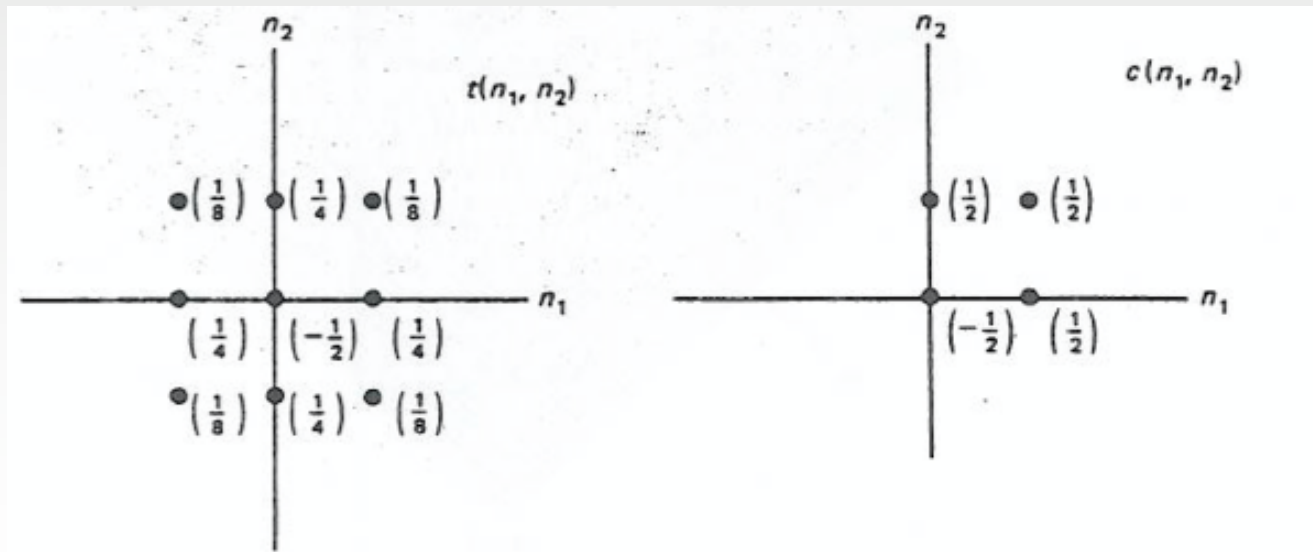
$$\begin{aligned} T(\omega_1, \omega_2) &= \sum_{n_1} \sum_{n_2} t[n_1, n_2] e^{-j\omega_1 n_1} e^{-k\omega_2 n_2} \\ &= \sum_{n_1} \sum_{n_2} c[n_1, n_2] \cos(\omega_1 n_1) \cos(\omega_2 n_2) \end{aligned}$$

# A particularly common special case

- An example often used in practice:

$$T(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(\omega_1) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(\omega_2) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(\omega_1 \omega_2) - \frac{1}{2}$$

- The corresponding sequences  $t[n_1, n_2]$  and  $c[n_1, n_2]$ :



# Equivalent contours in 1-D and 2-D

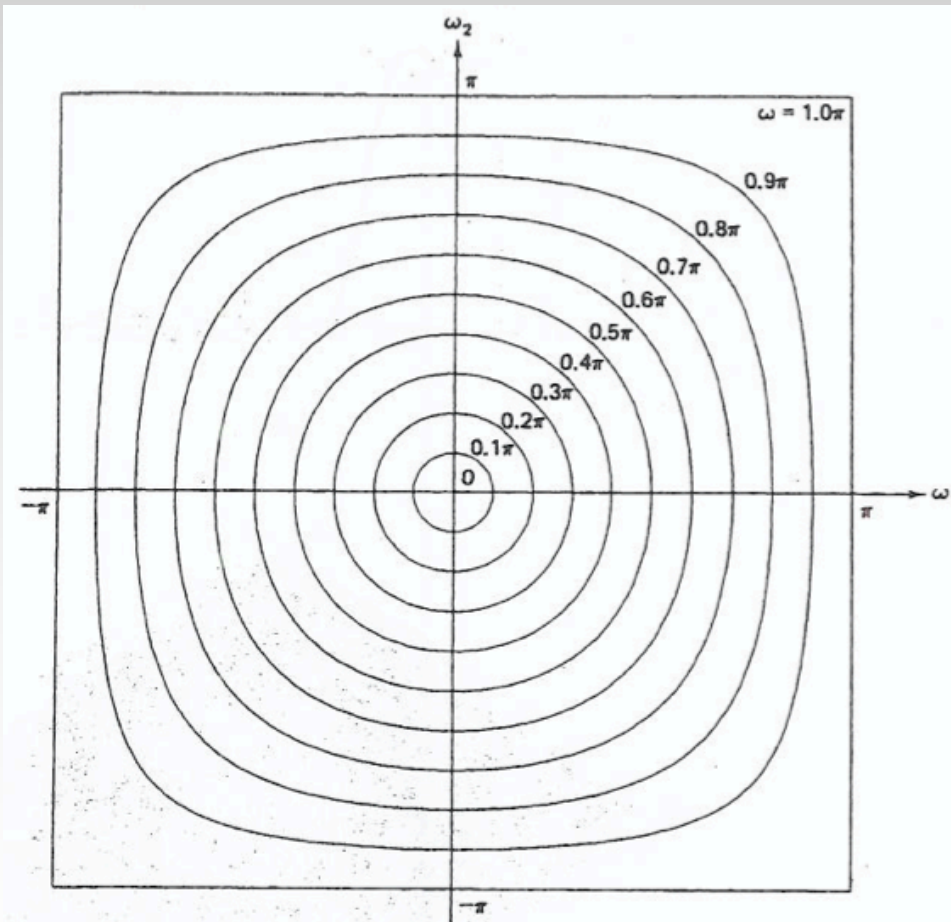
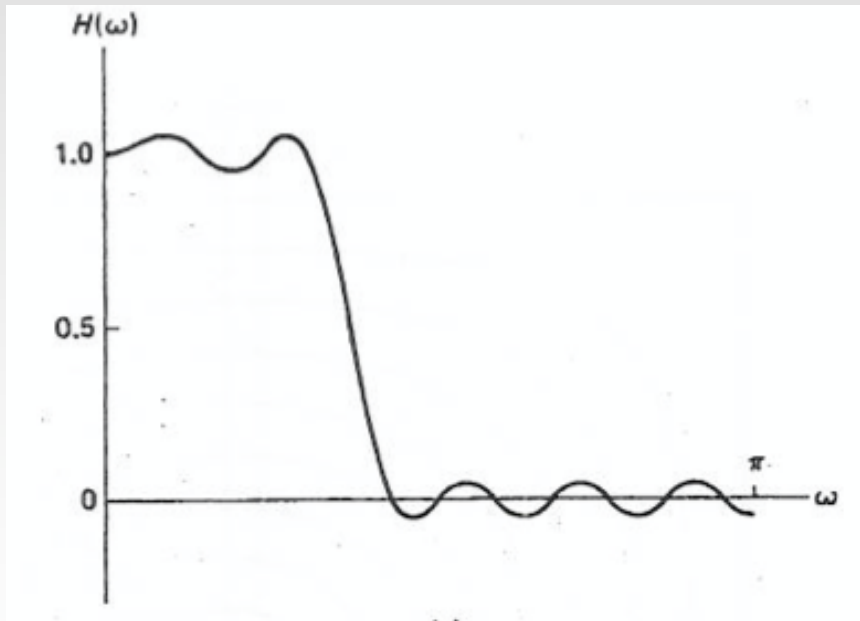


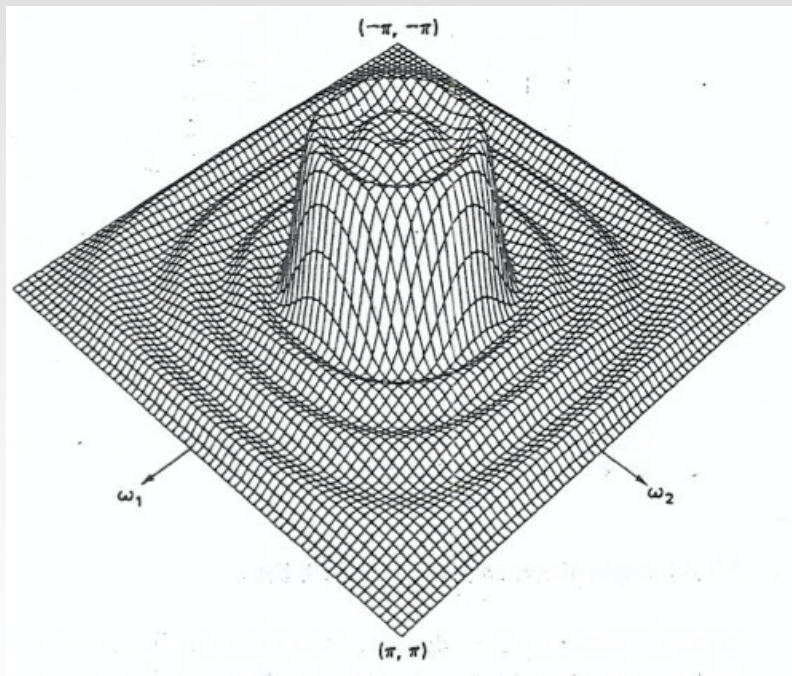
Figure 7.44 The contours obtained by  $\cos \omega = T(\omega_1, \omega_2)$  for  $\omega = 0, \pi/10, \dots, \pi$  for  $T(\omega_1, \omega_2)$  given by Eq. (7.84).

# An example frequency response

## ■ 1-D filter:



## ■ 2-D filter

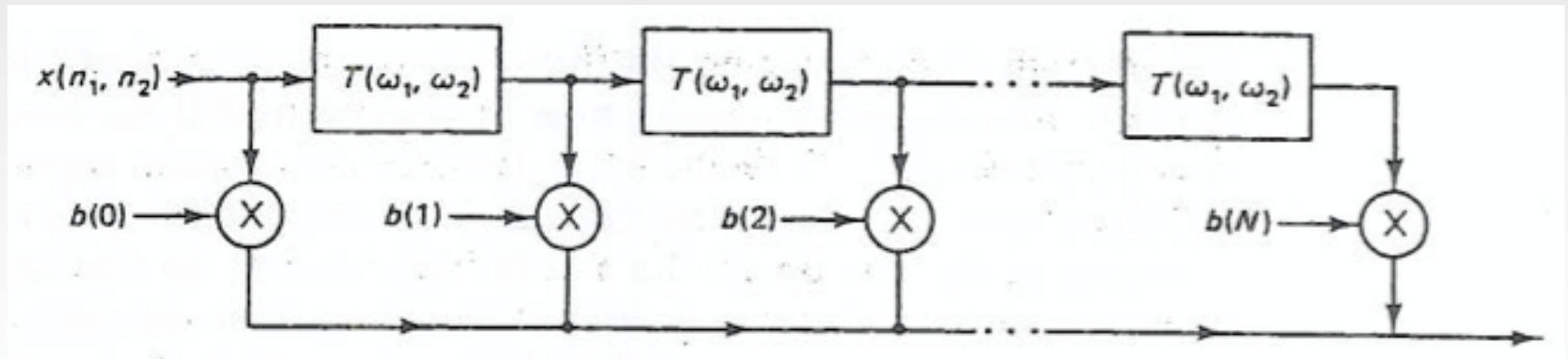


# Implementation based on 1-D to 2-D transforms

- The transfer function:

$$H(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \sum_{n=0}^N b[n] [T(\omega_1, \omega_2)]^n$$

- Efficient implementation:



- Comment: overlap-add, FFTs, etc. can be used here as well

