Digital Signal Processing

Windowed SINC Filters

Today's Topics

- Origins of the Windowed SINC filter
- Impulse Response
- Frequency Response

Filter Classification

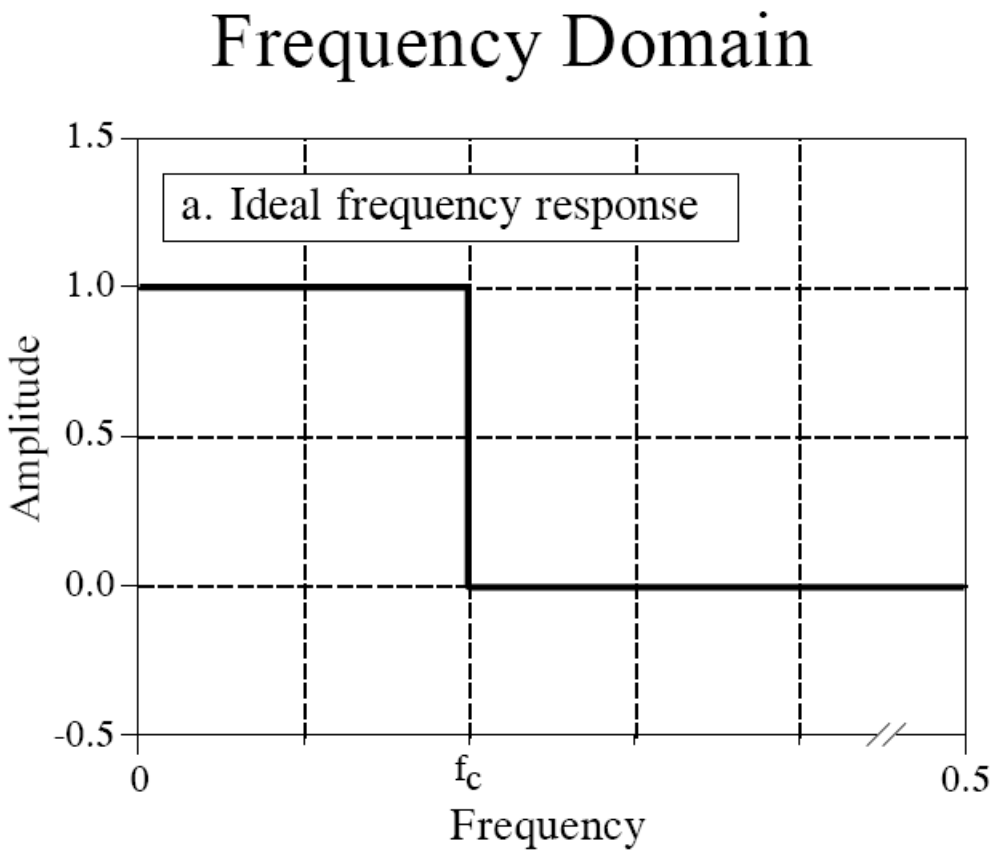
FILTER USED FOR:	FILTER IMPLEMENTED BY: Convolution *Finite Impulse Response (FIR)*	Recursion *Infinite Impulse Response (IIR)*
Time Domain *(smoothing, DC removal)*	Moving average (Ch. 15)	Single pole (Ch. 19)
Frequency Domain *(separating frequencies)*	Windowed-sinc (Ch. 16)	Chebyshev (Ch. 20)
Custom *(Deconvolution)*	FIR custom (Ch. 17)	Iterative design (Ch. 26)

Some Properties of the Windowed SINC FIR Filter

- Better (than the MAV) for separating one band of frequencies from another
- Finite Impulse Response (FIR) structure
  - Stable response
  - Computed using convolution
    - Slower than recursive filters
  - Can use FFT convolution to speed up (multiplication in frequency domain).
- Step response in time domain shows overshoot

The Ideal Low Pass Filter

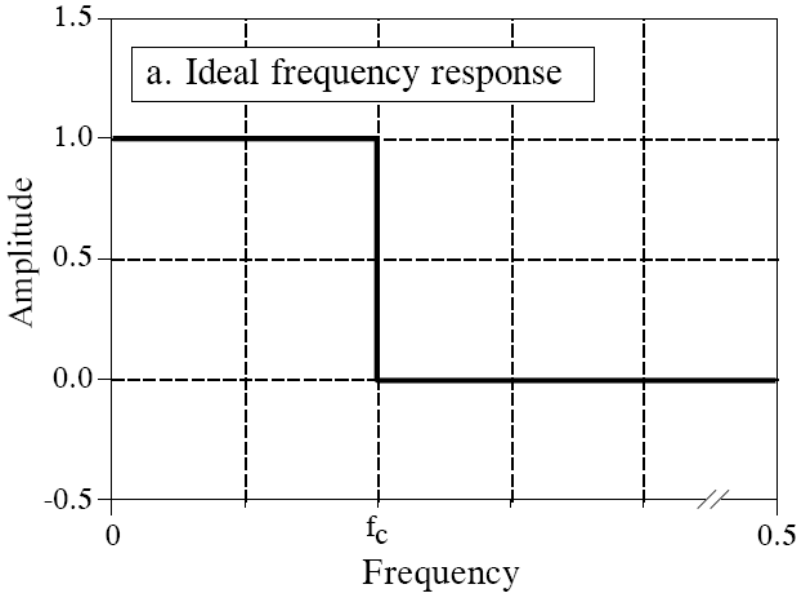
- The ideal low pass is flat in the pass band and has a step response for the attenuation



The Ideal Low Pass Filter

- Recognizing the duality between the frequency domain and the time domain, find the impulse response using the inverse Fourier Transform.

Frequency Domain



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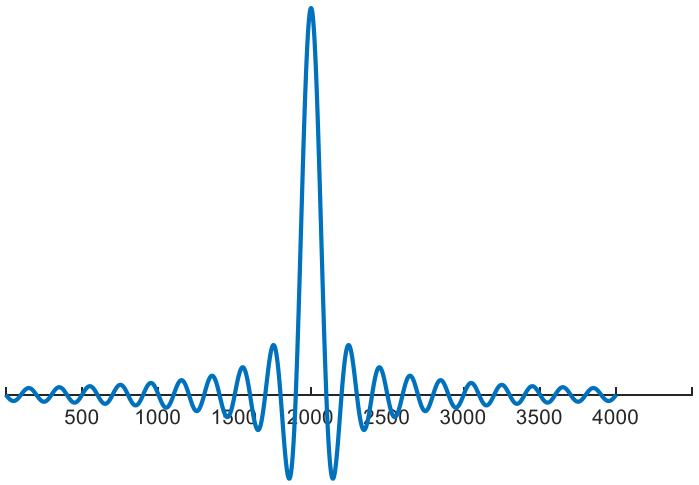
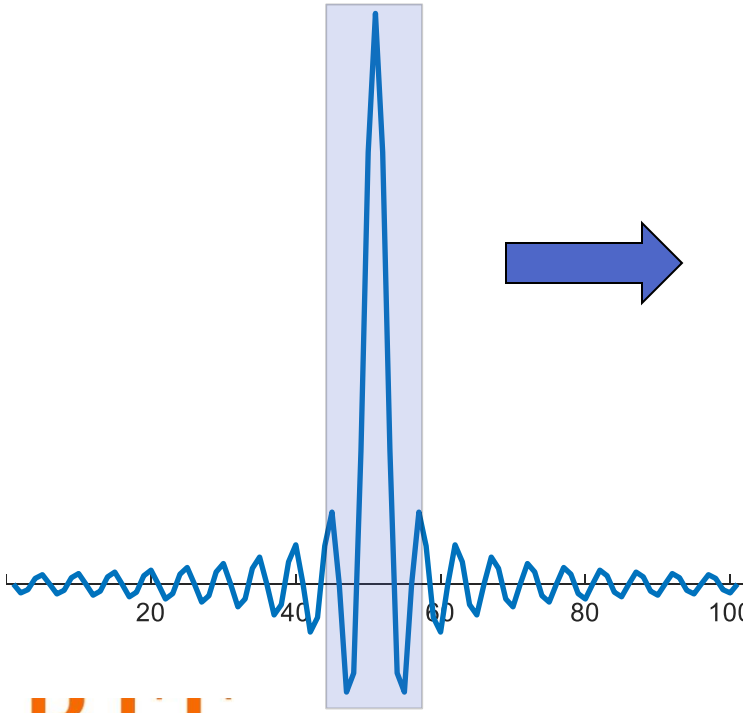


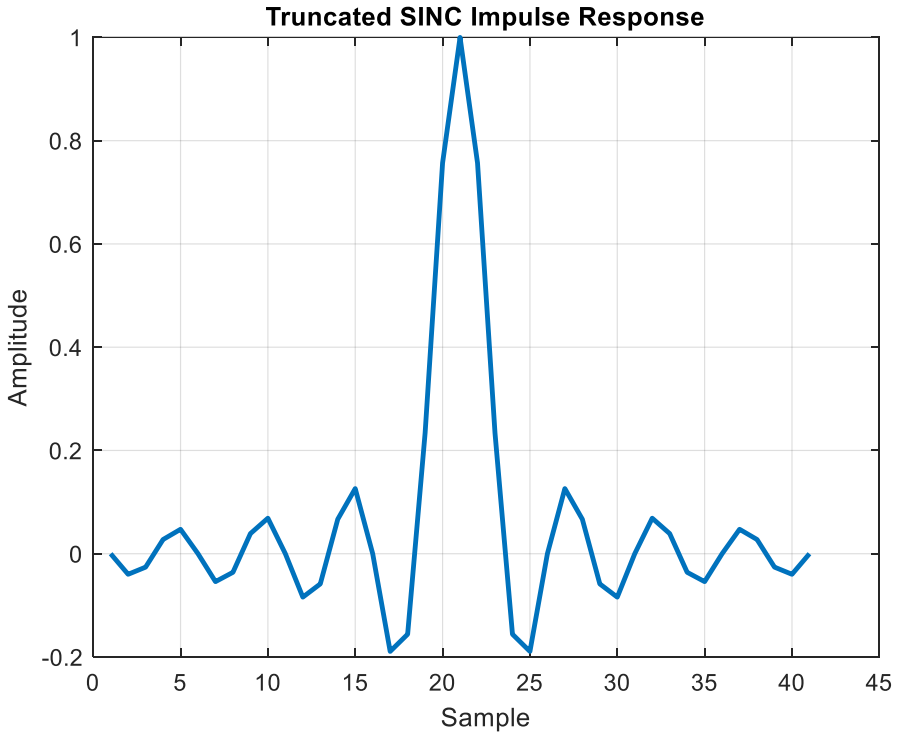
SINC Function

Extends from $-\infty$ *to* ∞

The Ideal Low Pass Filter

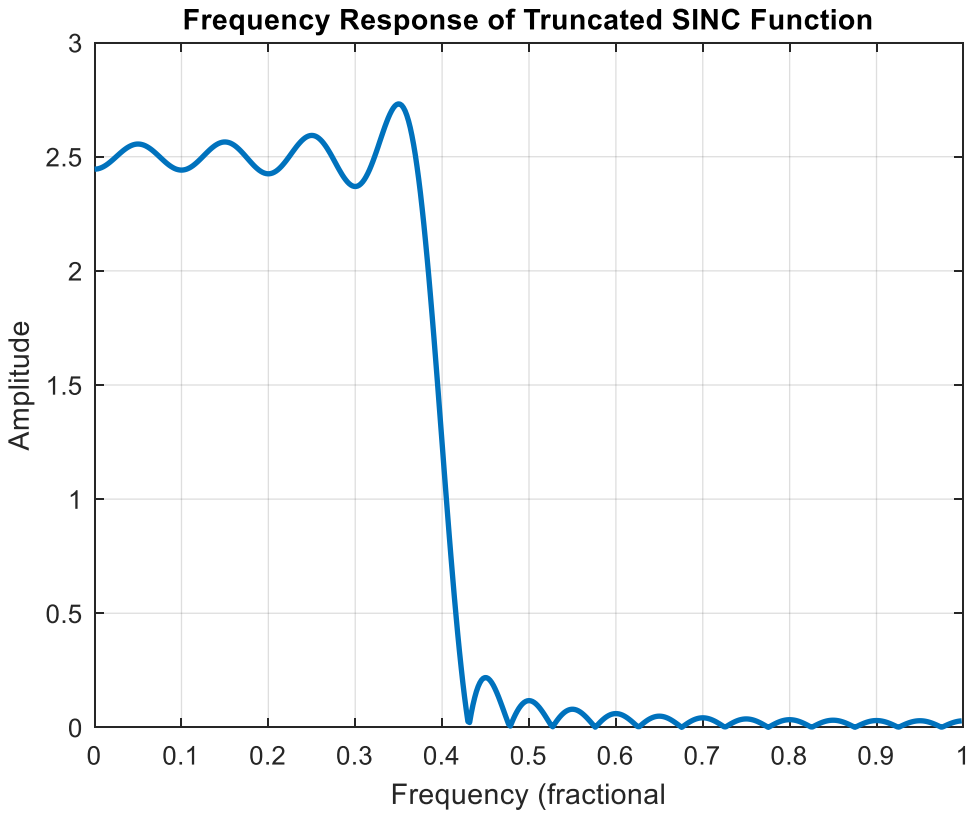
- The SINC function extends from $-\infty$ to ∞ in time
- It's not possible to implement exactly
- Try truncating the sequence – e.g. 41 Samples. Plot the frequency response





The Truncated Impulse Response Frequency Response

- Truncating the response results in large ripple in the pass band and the stop band



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Hamming Window

- Modify signal to reduce effect of discontinuities at left and right edges of signal.
- Apply a “window” to ease the end transitions
- A Hamming window has a magnitude of

$$w[n] = 0.54 - 0.46\cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{M-1}\right)$$

- Where M is the window length and n goes from 0 to M-1

Hamming Window M = 41

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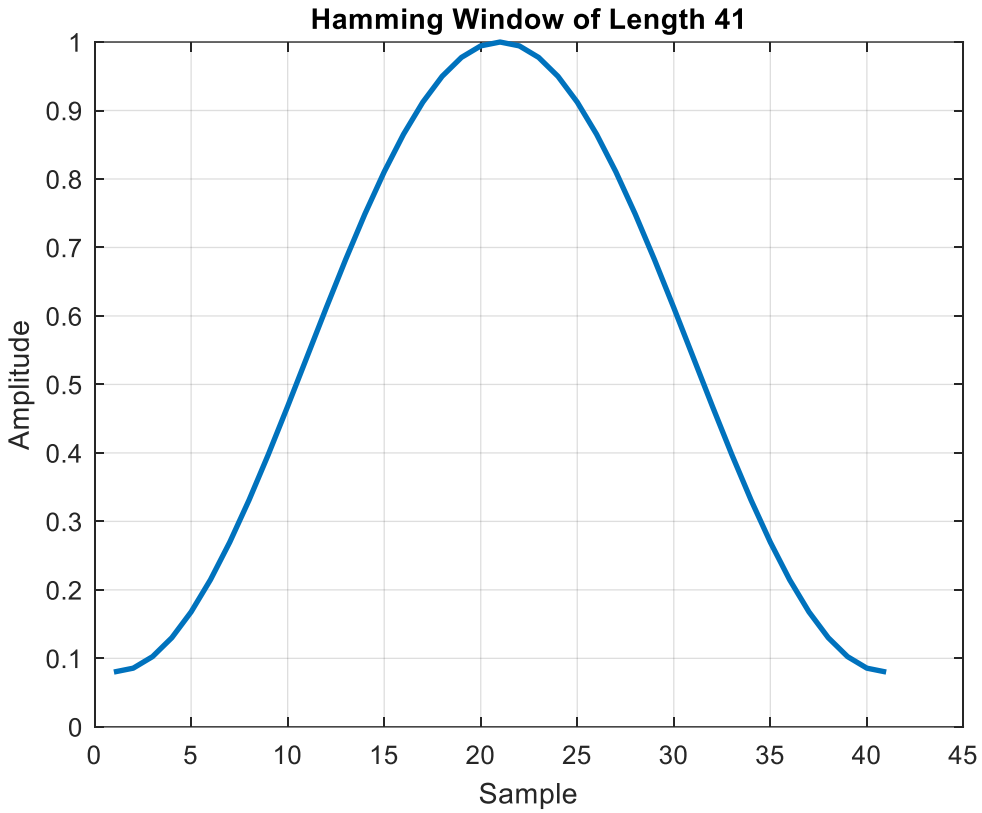
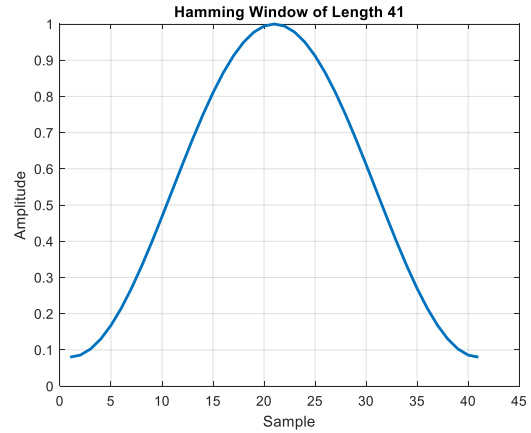
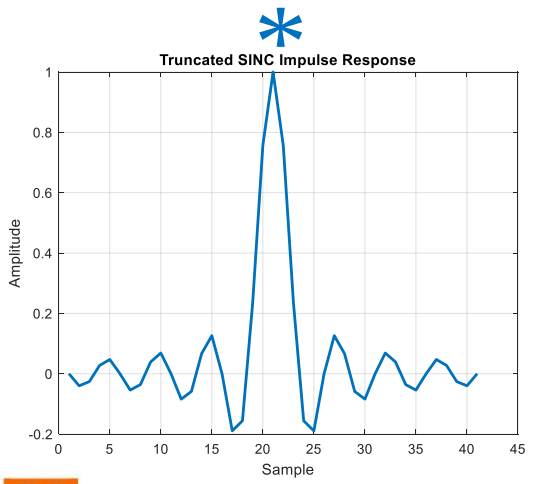
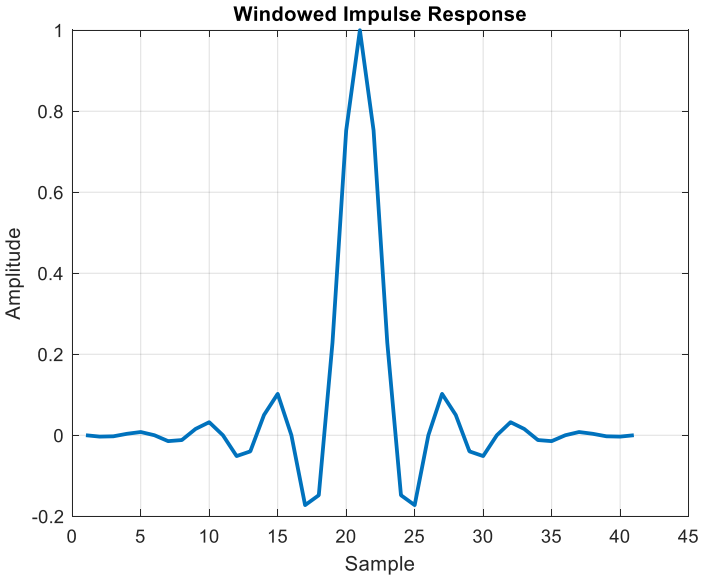


Applying the Window

- Multiply the impulse response by the window point by point

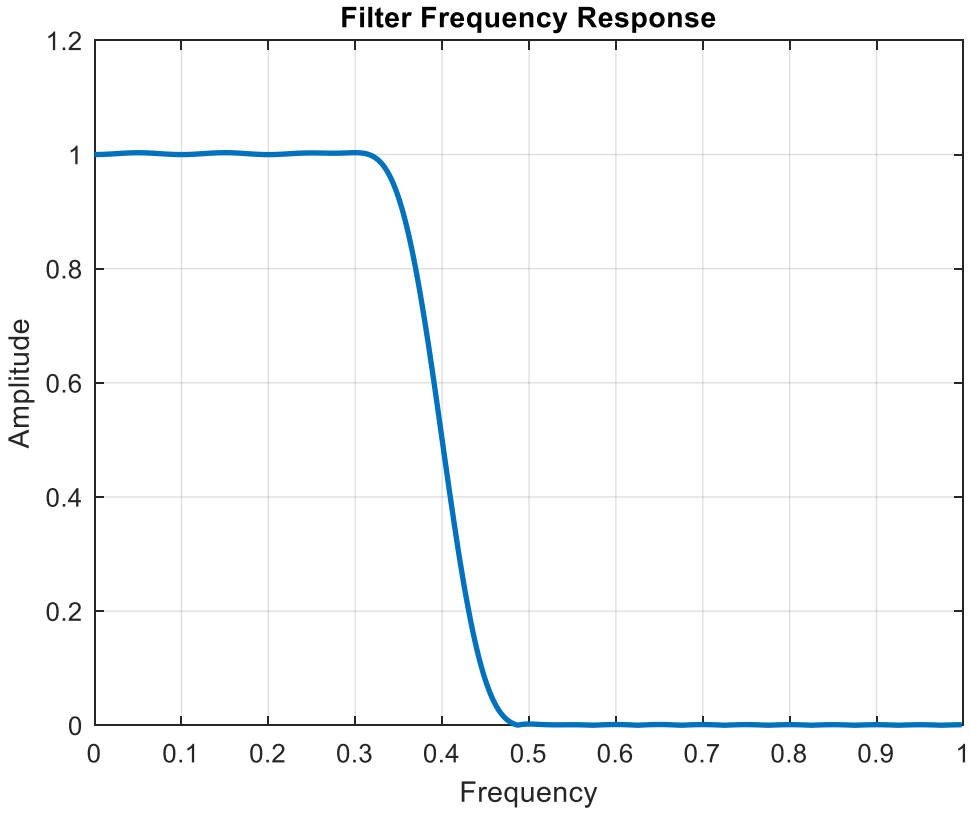






The Windowed SINC Frequency Response

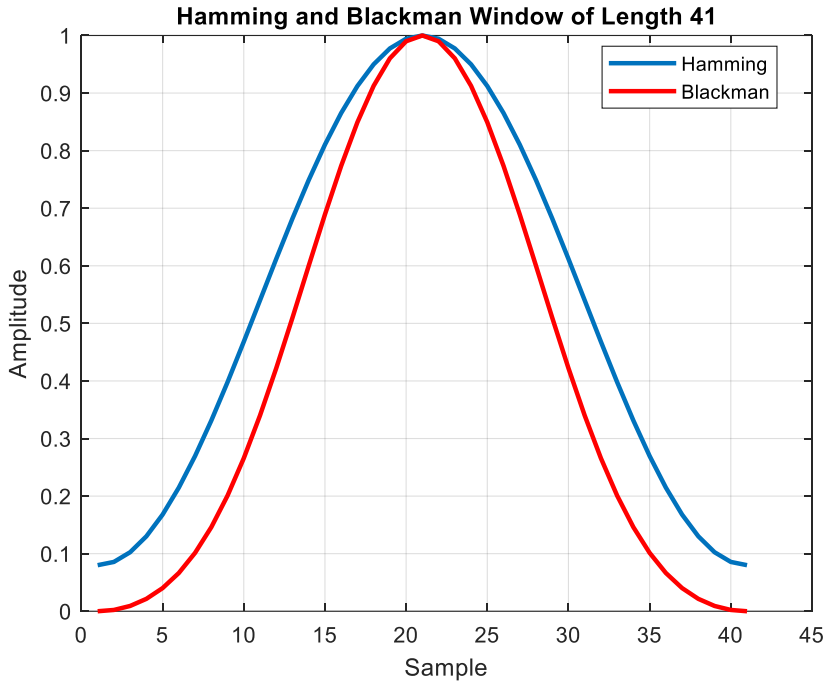
- The windowing has removed the large ripple in the pass band and stop band
- Some ripple remains but is very small



Other Windows

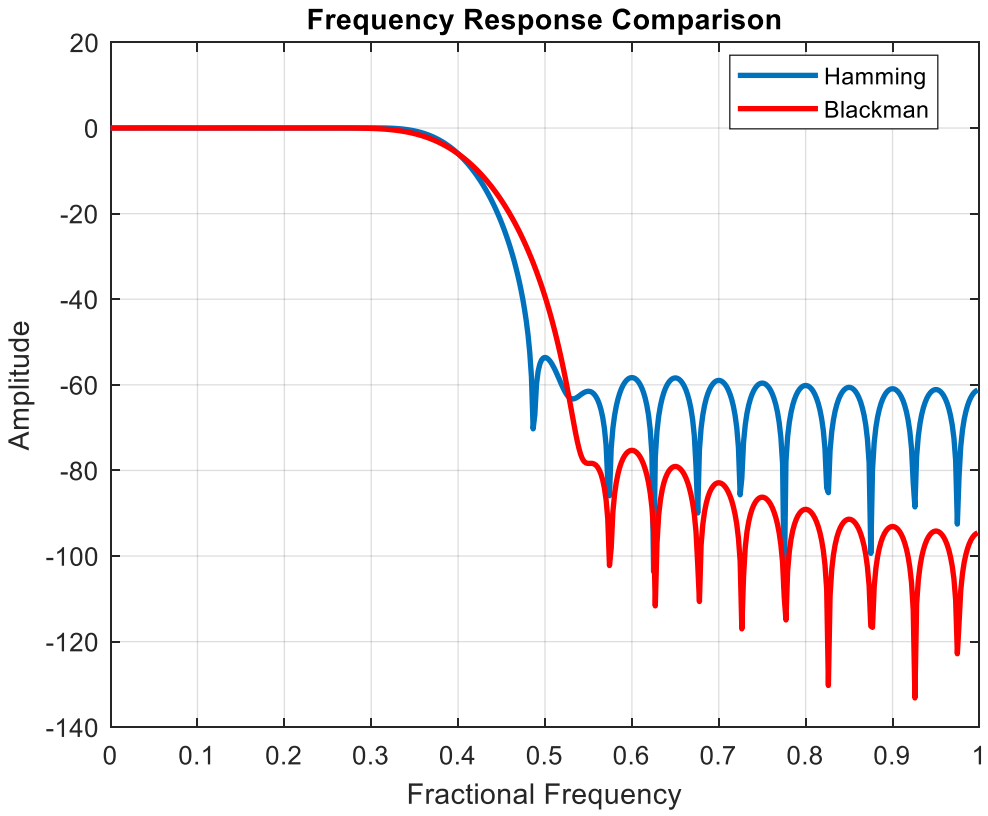
- The Blackman window is also commonly used

$$w[n] = 0.42 - 0.5\cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{M-1}\right) + 0.08\cos\left(\frac{4\pi n}{M-1}\right)$$

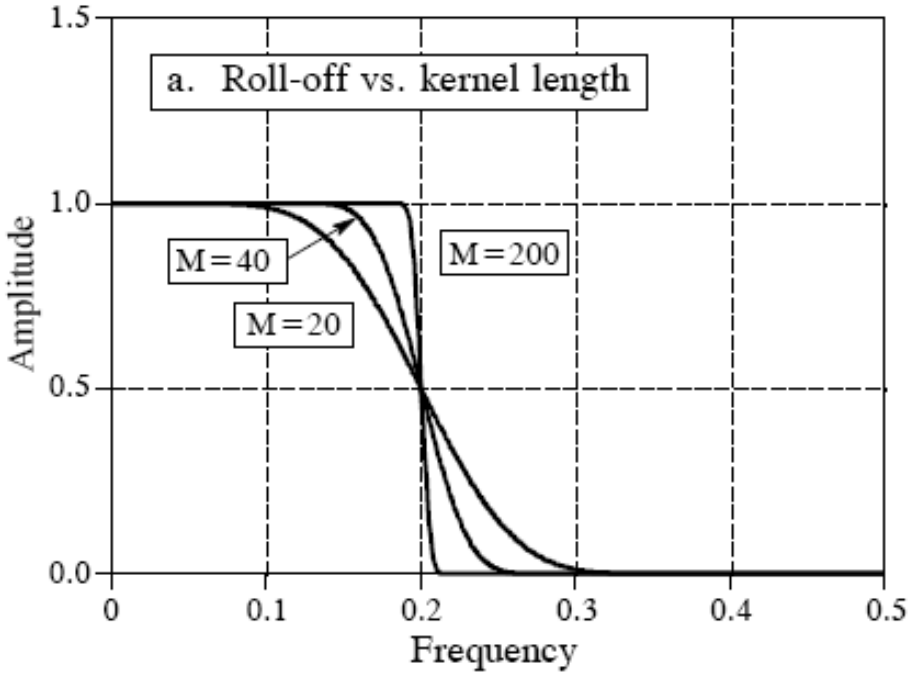


Frequency Response Comparison

- Hamming is Sharper
- Blackman has greater attenuation in the stop band
- Passband ripple similar

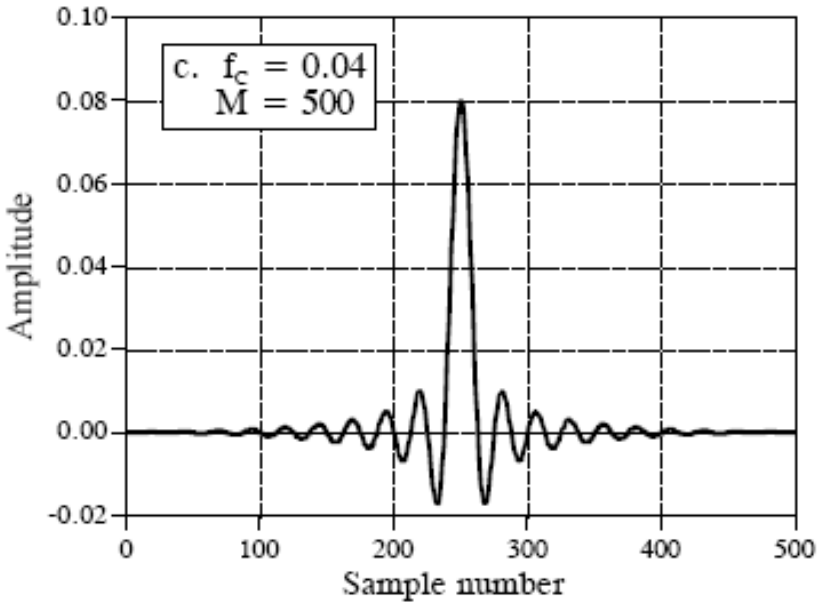


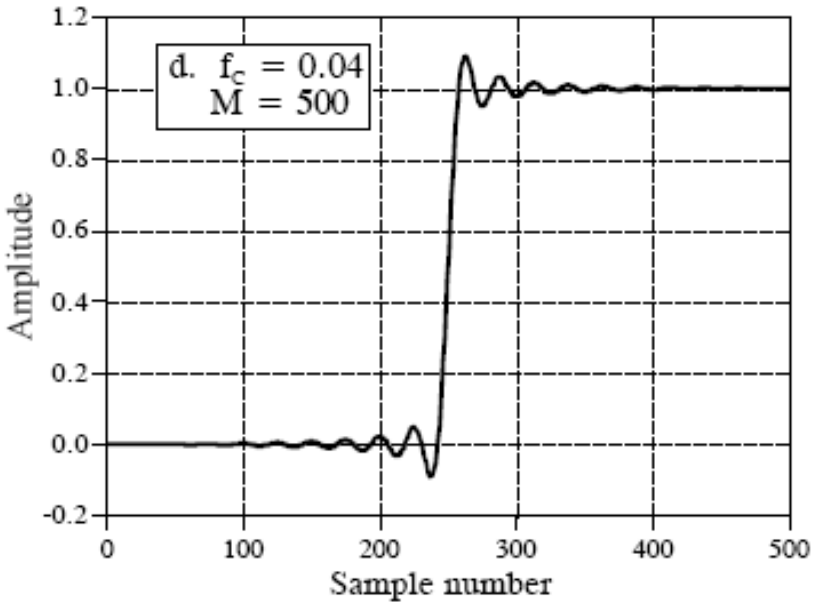
Design Options – Windowed Sinc Filter



- The filter is sharper as the length of the impulse response (kernel) increases

Time Domain Response





- The step response of the filter has overshoot
- The higher the corner frequency the higher the frequency of oscillation

Using FIR_Designer.m

- FIR_Designer.m is a MATLAB function that can help you design windowed SINC filters
  - Available in myCourses
  - Default is to create filters where Fs = 600 BPM
  - Print header for use in FIR_Generic C code
  - Fixed point coefficients
  - Computes HFXPT value
- Can create a HPF using Spectral Inversion

FIR_Designer.m Arguments

Filter order

Corner Freq

HPF/LPF

Window

```
function impulseResponse = FIR_Designer( varargin )
%
%  FIR_Designer
%
%  This script returns the impulse response of a windowed SINC filter.  The
%  filter has various input parameters in Name, Value pairs
%
%  The routine will print out a set of C-header lines for use on the Arduino
%  platform.
%
%
%  Input Arguments (Required)
%
%  'nOrder' -- Order of the filter, that is the length of the impulse reponse
%  'cutBPM' -- The corner frequency of the filter in BPM.  Assumes that the
%              sample rate is 600 BPM.  The "corner frequency" is the 1/2 voltage point
%
%  Optional Input Arguments
%
%  'Type' -- 'HPF' or 'LPF'
%  'PrintHeader' -- [true, false]  to print C header format
%  'FxdPoint' -- [true, false] to Convert to a fixed point coefficients (default true)
%  'FxdPointScale' -- Manual scale for the value to convert to fixed point
%  'SampleRate' -- Sample rate of the filter -- Default to 600 BPM
%  'Window' -- Window selection, Hamming or Blackman -- Default Hamming
%
%  Advanced Parameters
%
%  'ZeroTolerance'  -- Value below which is considered to be zero
%
%  Output Arguments
%
%  impulseReponse -- The filter impulse response
%
```

Simple Call

```
>>
>>
>> h = FIR_Designer('nOrder', 31, 'cutBPM',40);
```

```
>> h'

ans =

   -0.0000
   -0.0008
   -0.0022
   -0.0042
   -0.0067
   -0.0085
   -0.0082
   -0.0041
    0.0055
    0.0212
```

Return Variable h

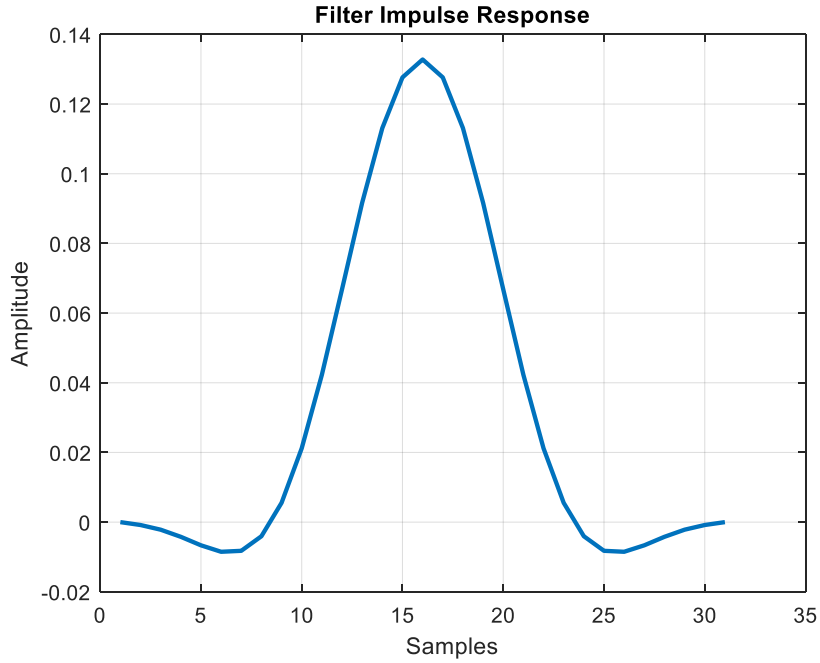
- LPF
- Default Fs = 600 BPM

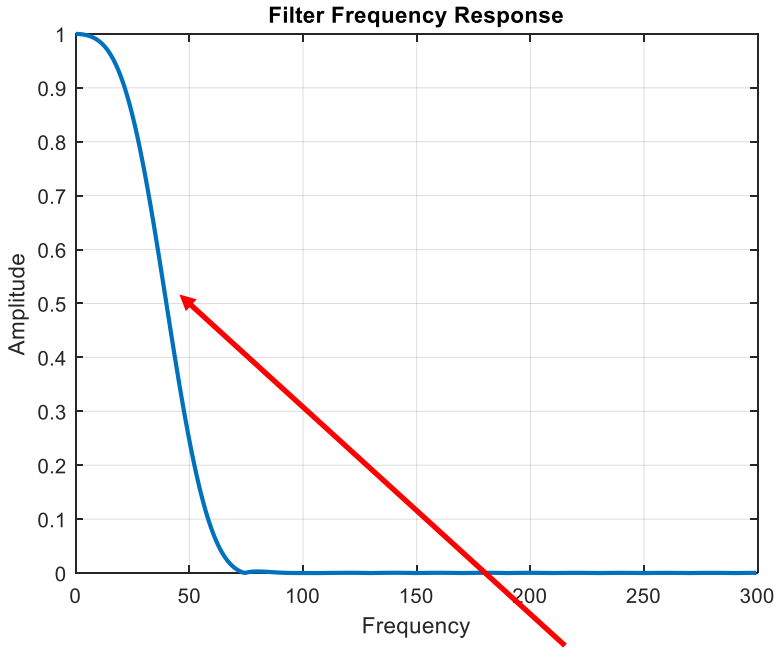
C-Code Output

```
// LPF FIR Filter Coefficients MFILT = 31, Fc = 40
const int HFXPT = 2048, MFILT = 31;
int h[] = {0, -2, -4, -9, -14, -17, -17, -8, 11, 43, 87, 137, 188, 232,
261, 272, 261, 232, 188, 137, 87, 43, 11, -8, -17, -17, -14, -9,
-4, -2, 0};
```

Function Output

- Function returns the impulse response and two graphs





cutBPM at 0.5
40 BPM

Windowed SINC Filter ICP

- Design a Windowed SINC filter with the following specifications
  - HPF
  - Filter order – 101
  - Cut frequency (1/2 voltage) – 70
  - Window (Hamming and Blackman)
    - Compare frequency responses in decibels
    - Save the output variable for each filter – Impulse response. Take the FFT of each impulse response

Windowed SINC Filter ICP Hamming Window

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```
%  Create the hamming filter
hHamming = FIR_Designer('nOrder',101, 'cutBPM',70,'Type','HPF','Window','Hamming');
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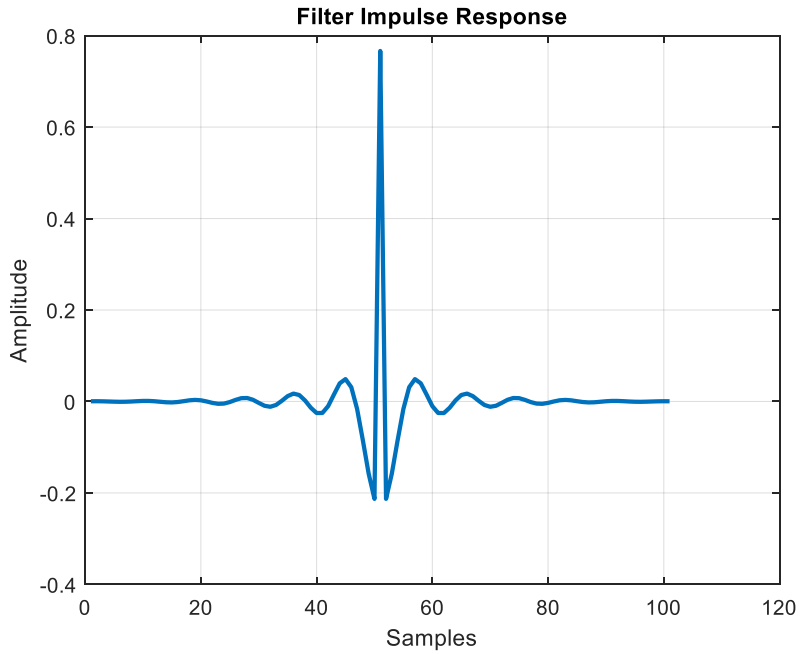

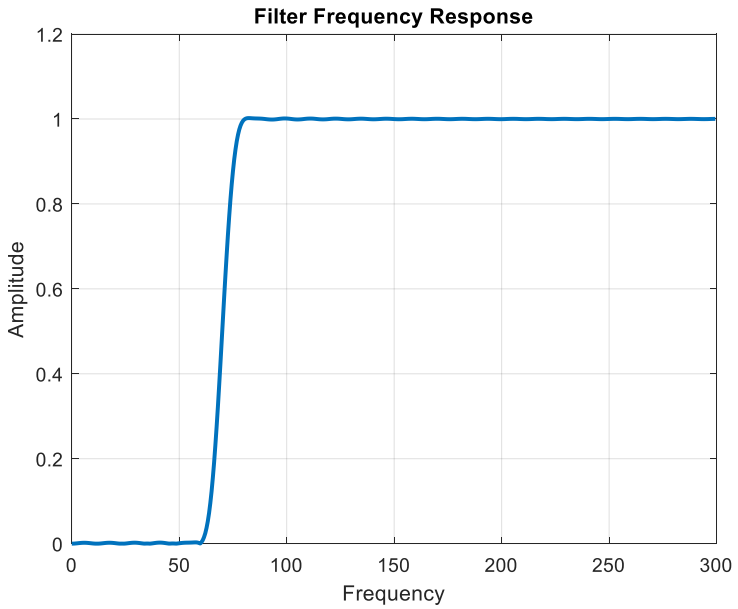

Windowed SINC Filter ICP
Blackman Window

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```
hBlackman = FIR_Designer('nOrder',101, 'cutBPM',70,'Type','HPF','Window','Blackman');
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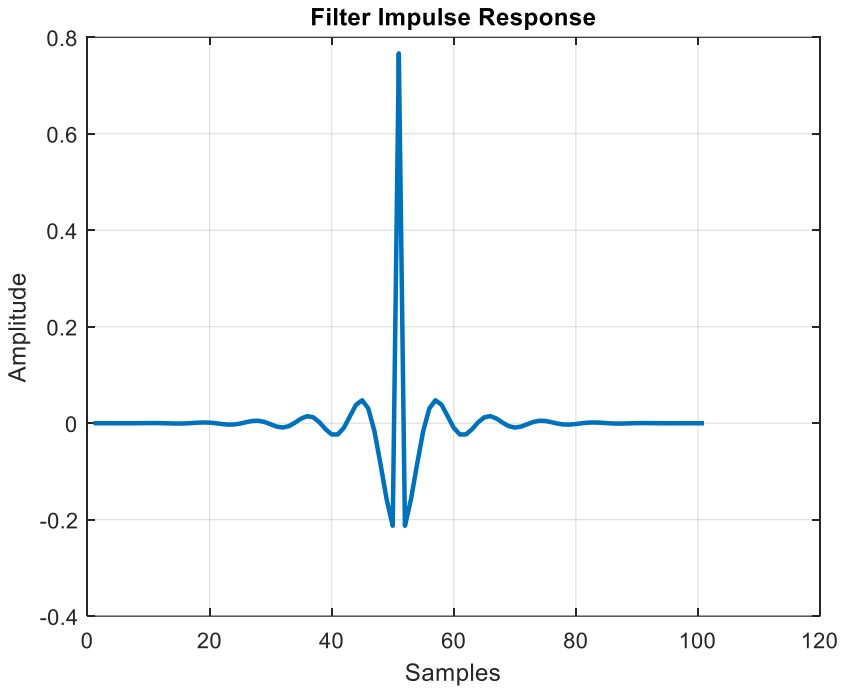

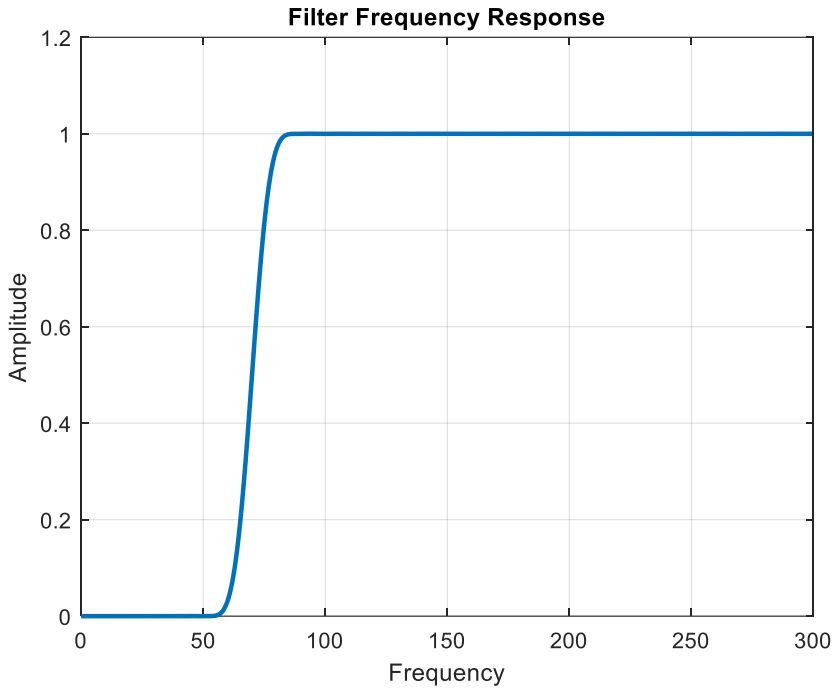

Windowed SINC HPF Comparison

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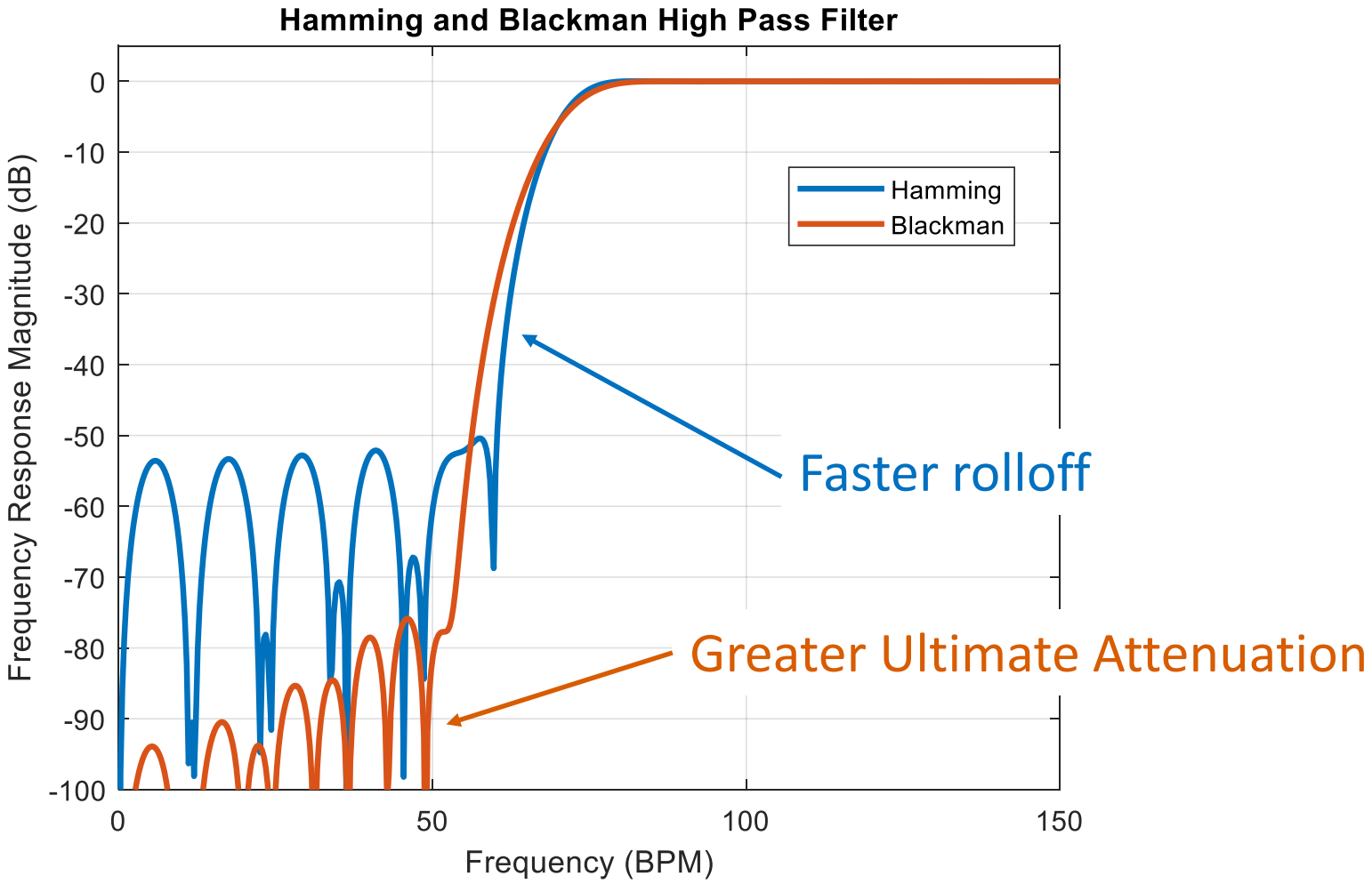

Summary

- Discussed the ideal low pass filter and its dual impulse response in the frequency domain
- SINC function the Impulse Response but infinite in length
- Truncation of the impulse response causes ripple in the pass and stop band
- Improved the response via windowing
  - Hamming Window
  - Blackman Window
- Compared the Frequency Response between the two filter types