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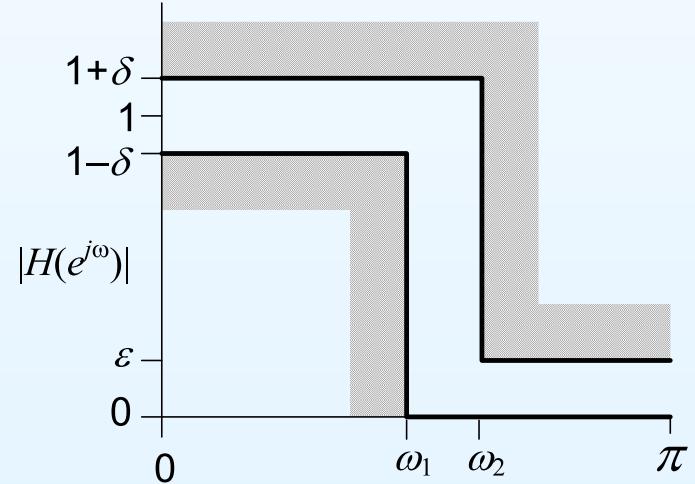
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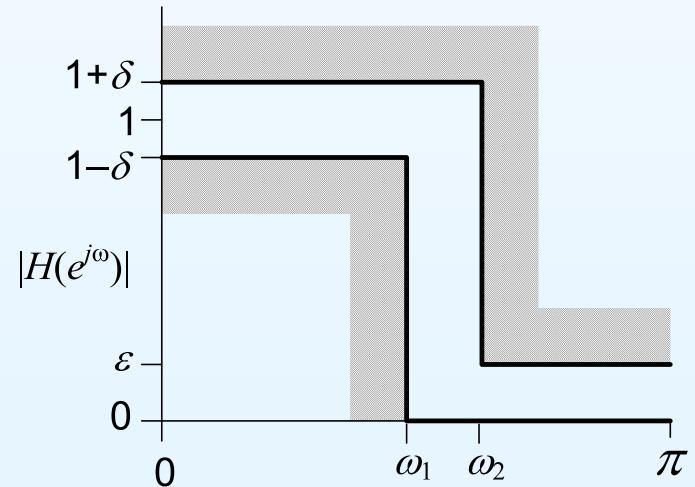
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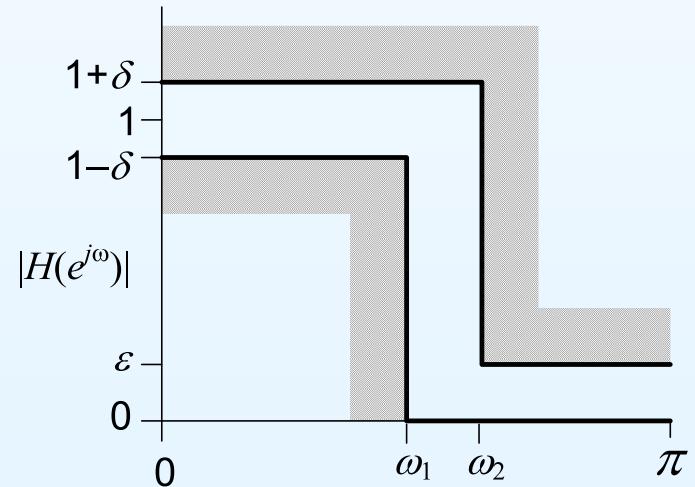
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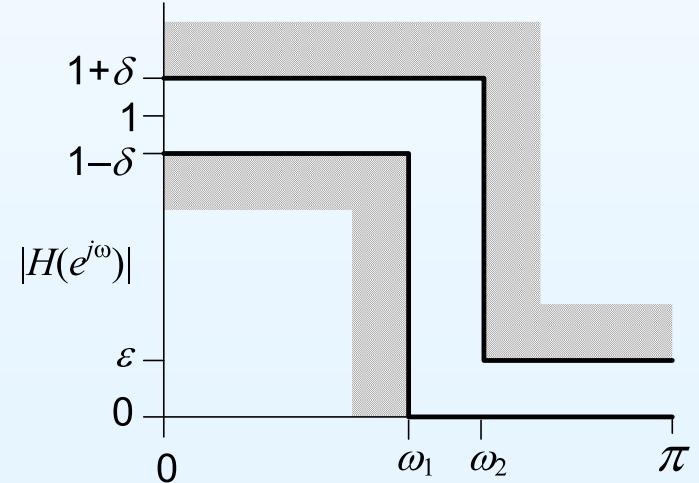
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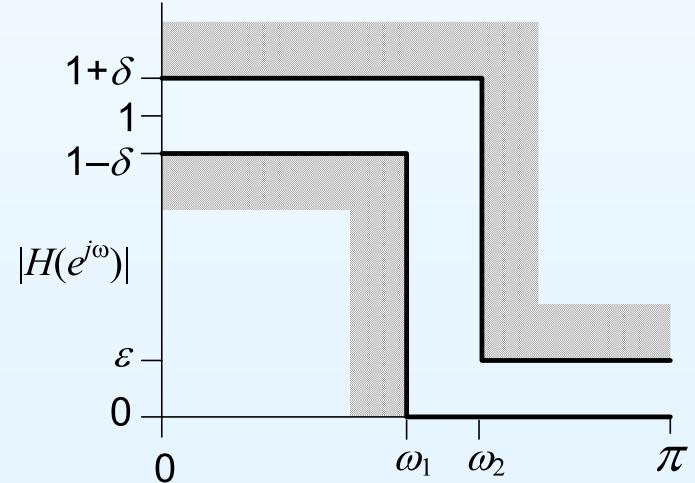
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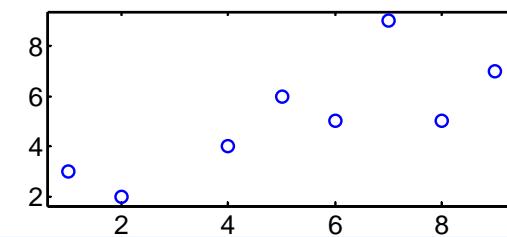
Minimax criterion: $h[n] = \arg \min_{h[n]} \max_{\omega} |e(\omega)|$: minimize max error

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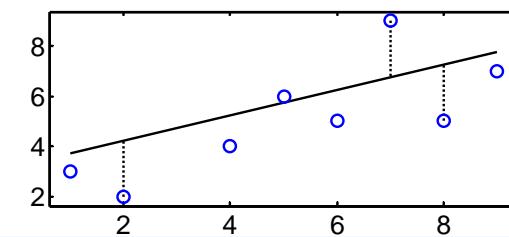
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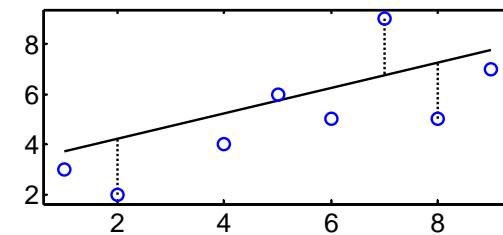
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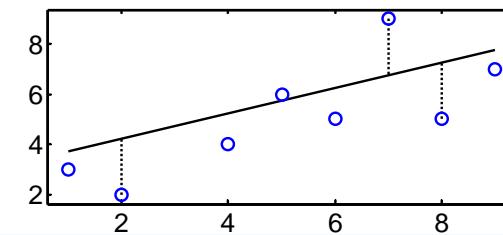
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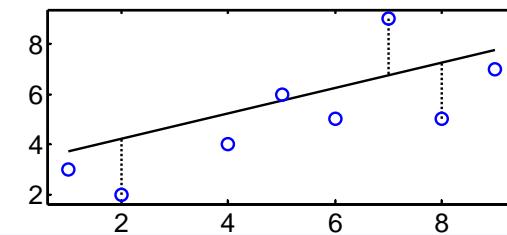
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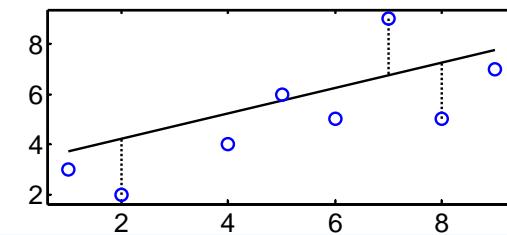
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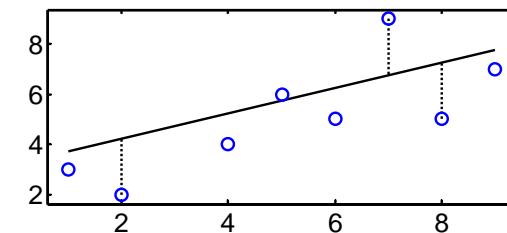
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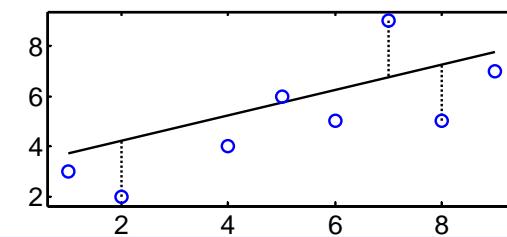
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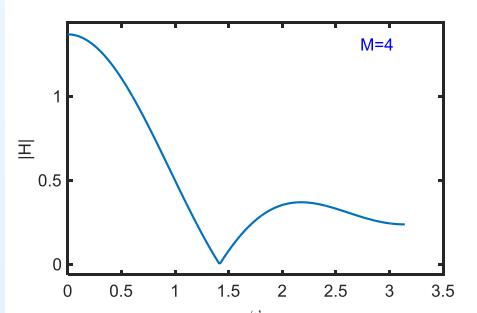
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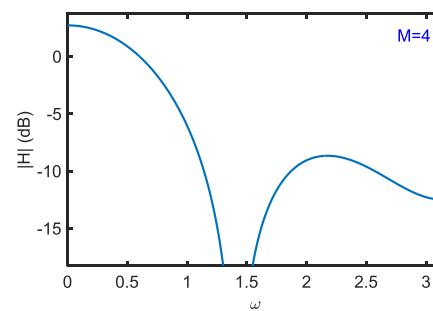
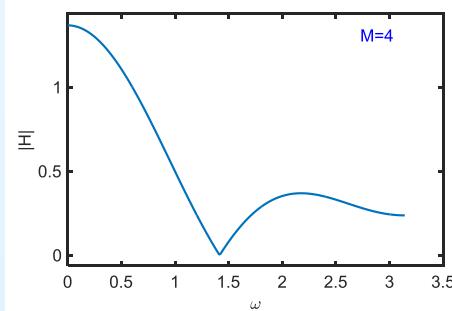
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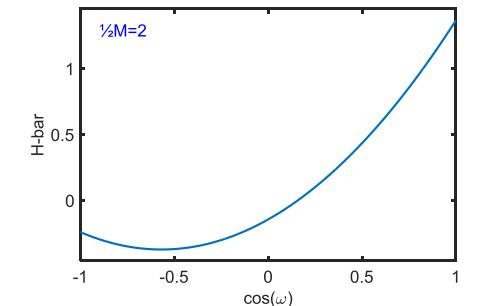
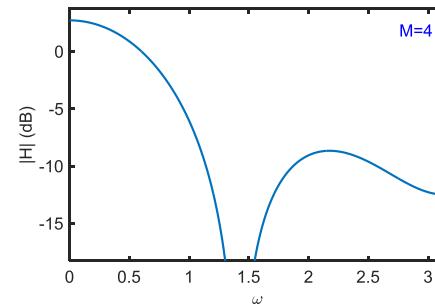
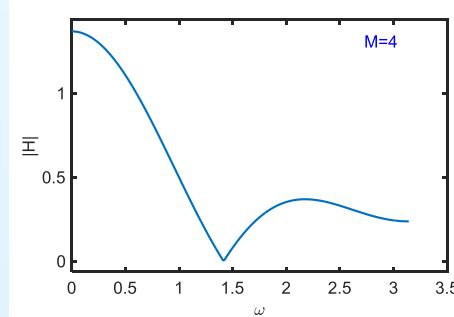
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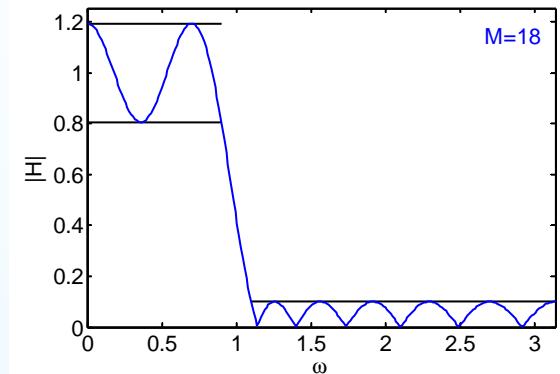


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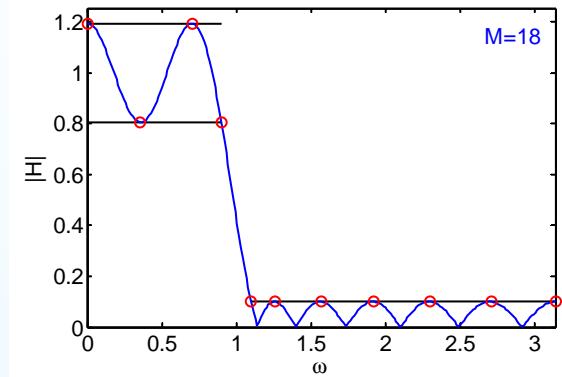


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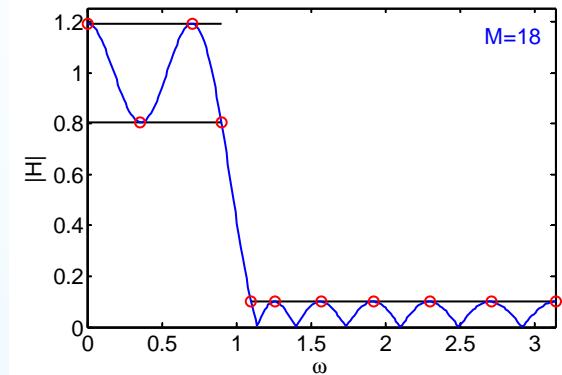
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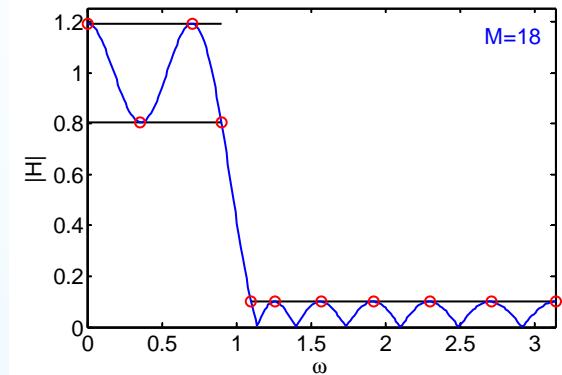
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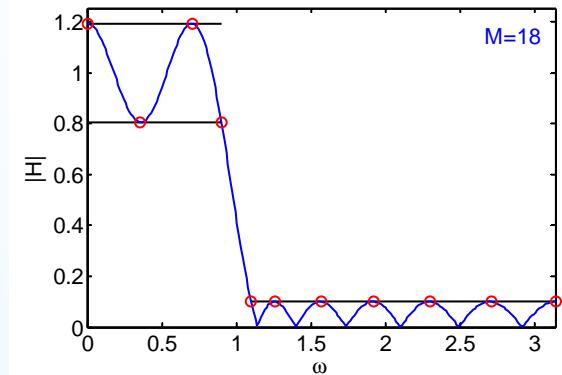
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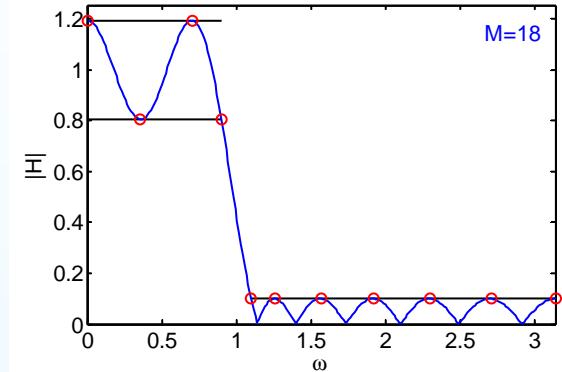
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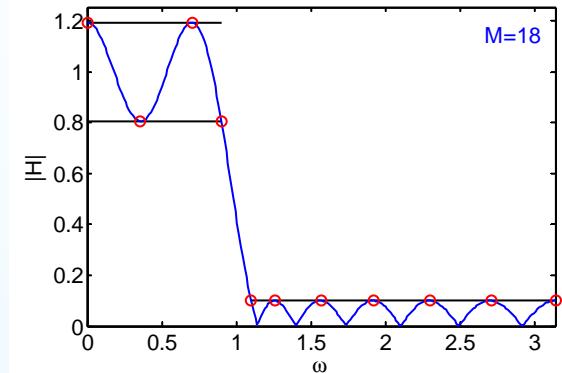
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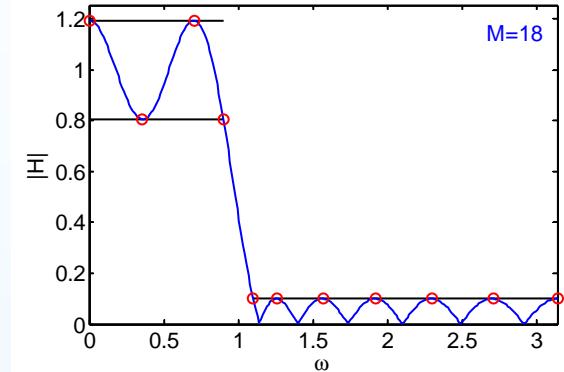
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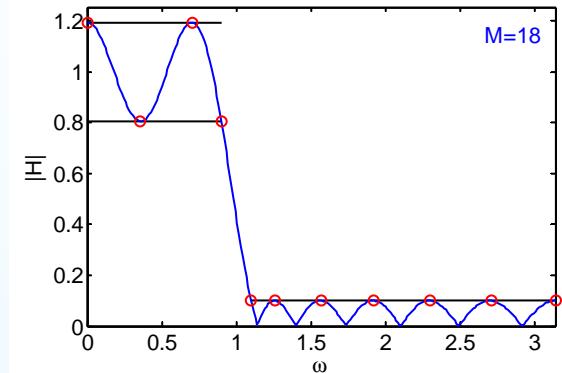
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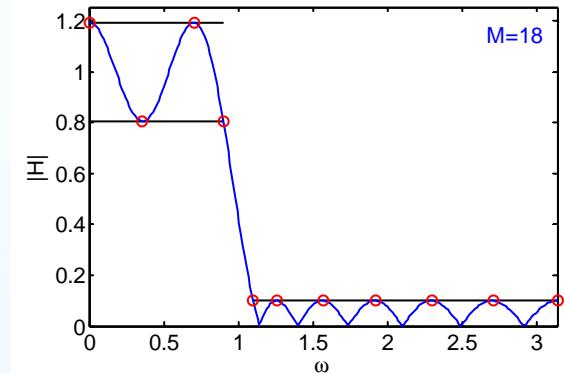
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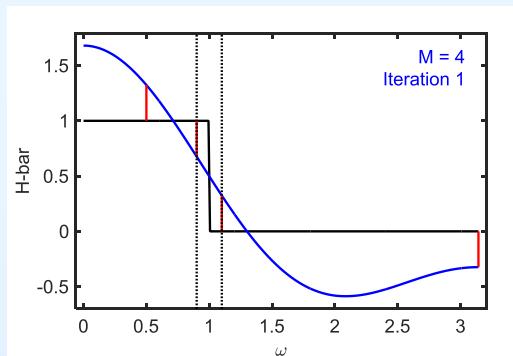
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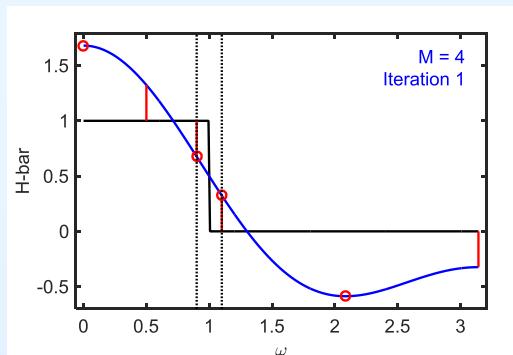


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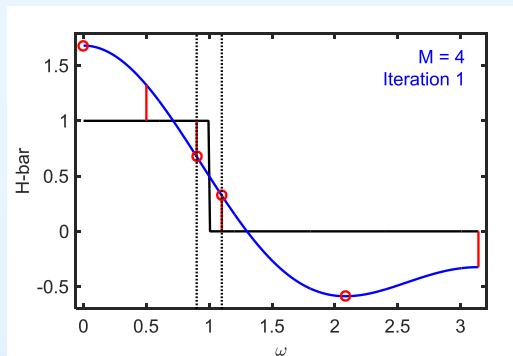


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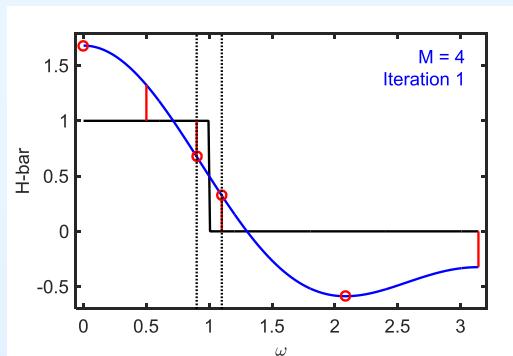


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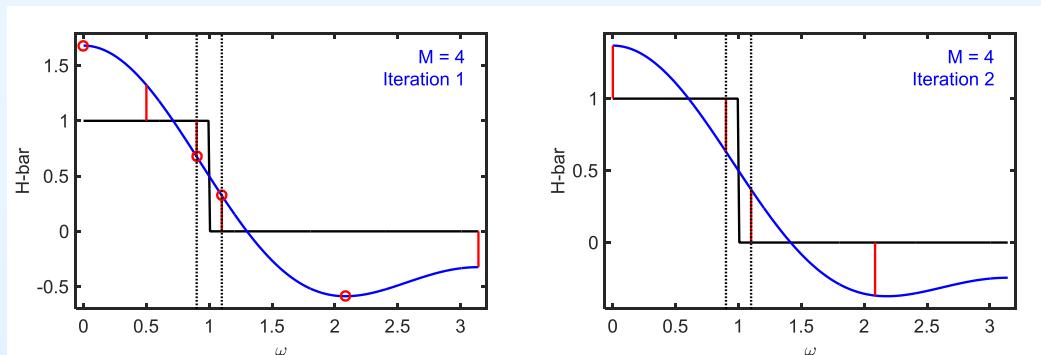


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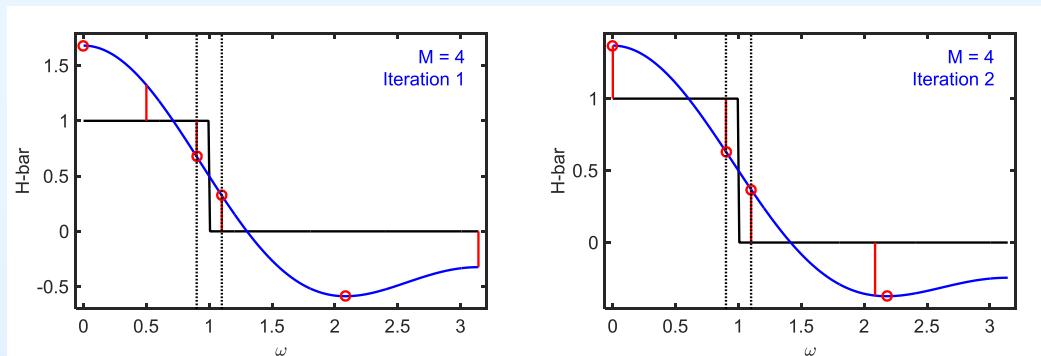


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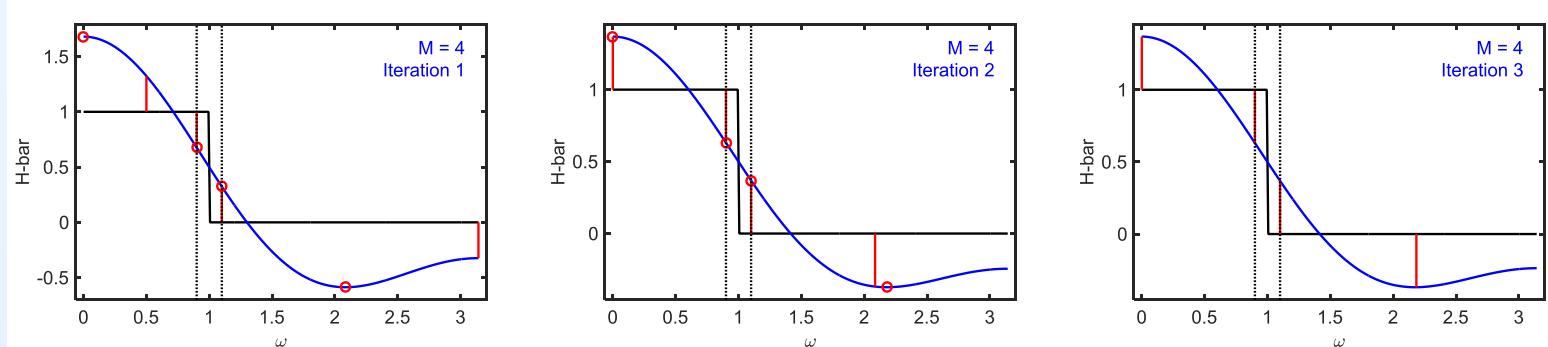


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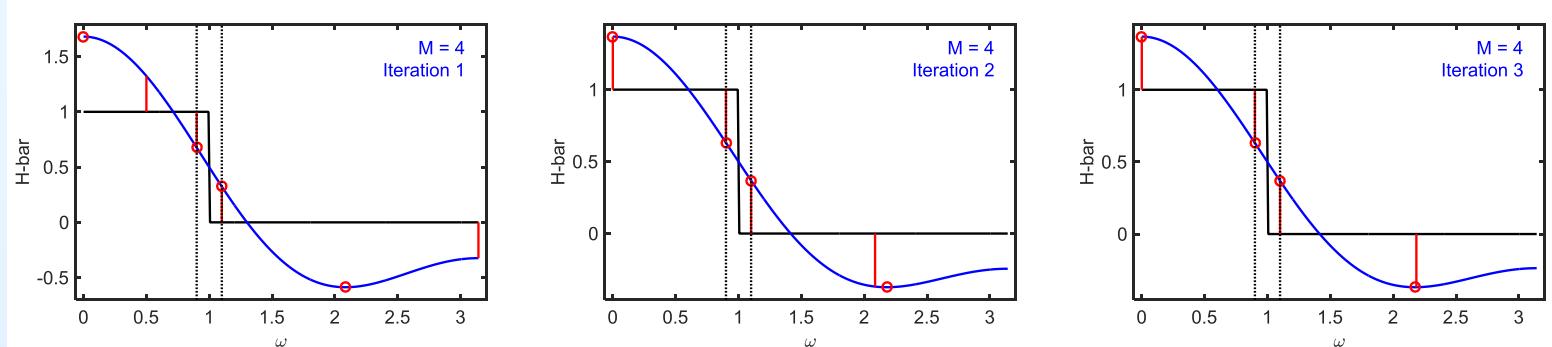


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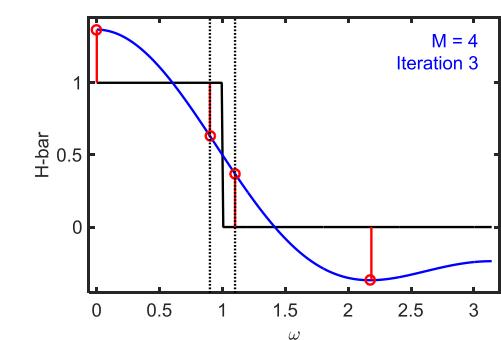
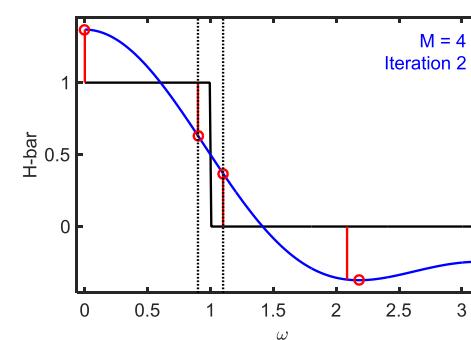
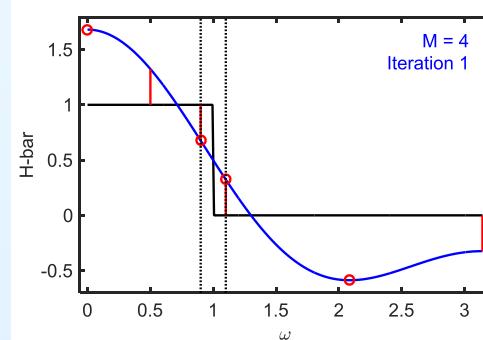


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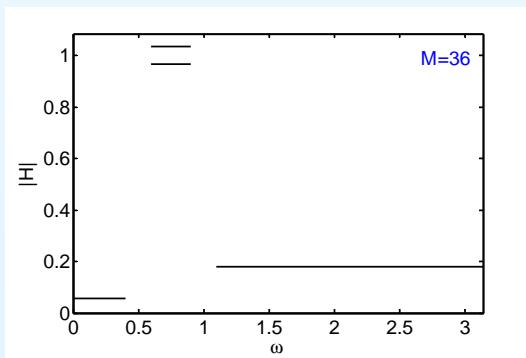
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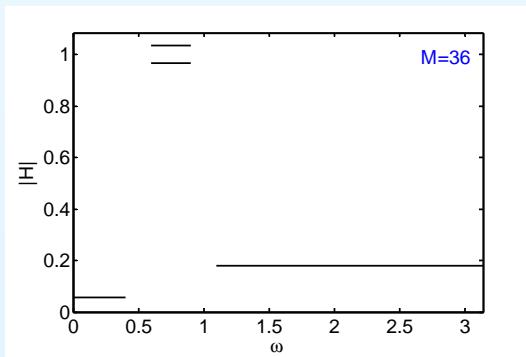
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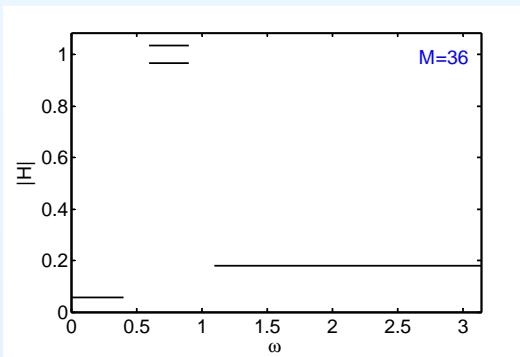
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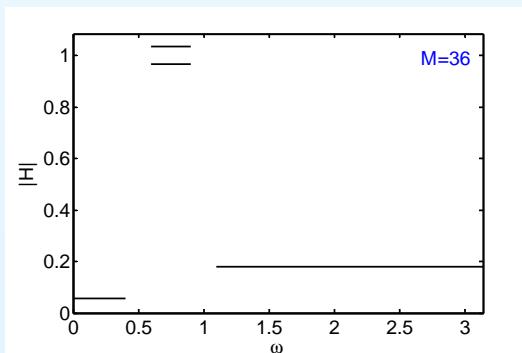
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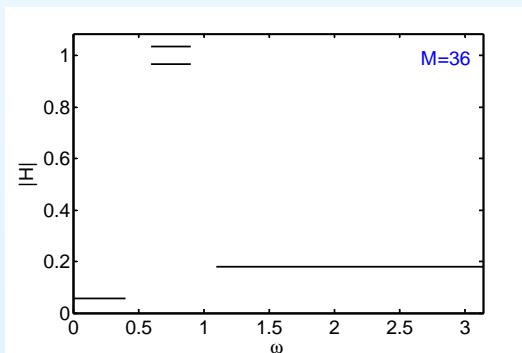
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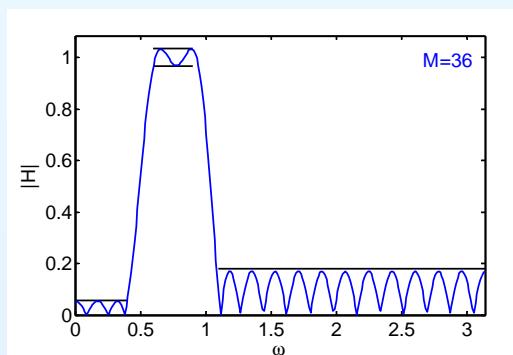
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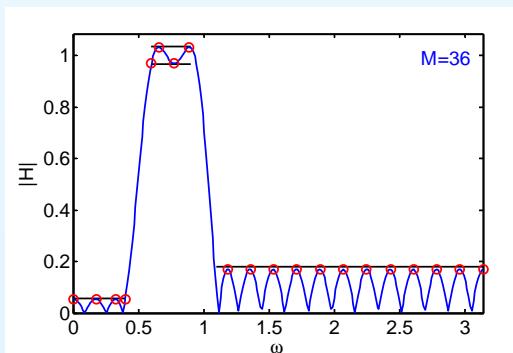
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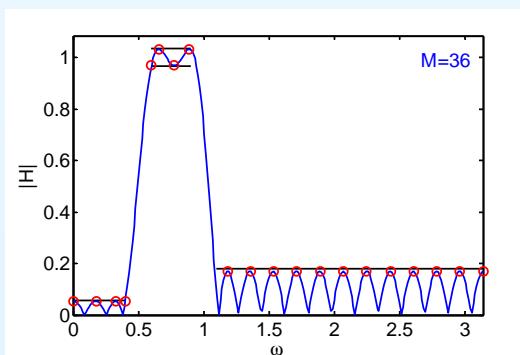
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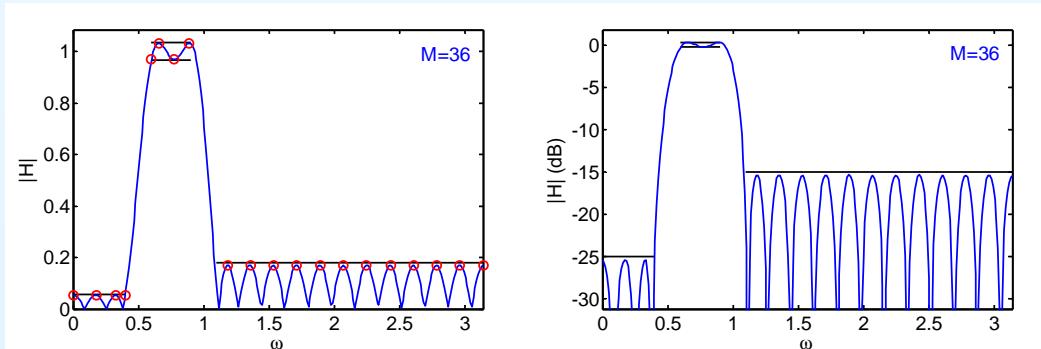
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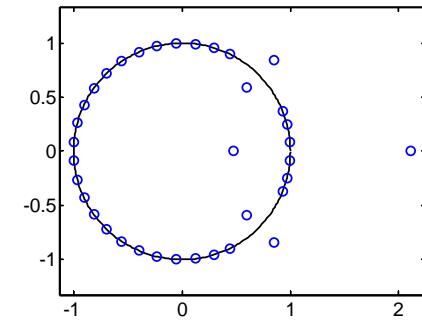
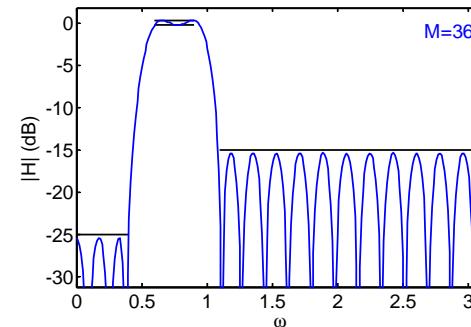
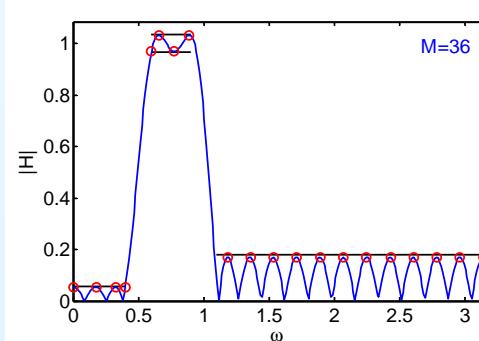
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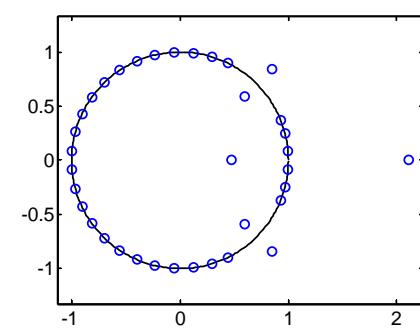
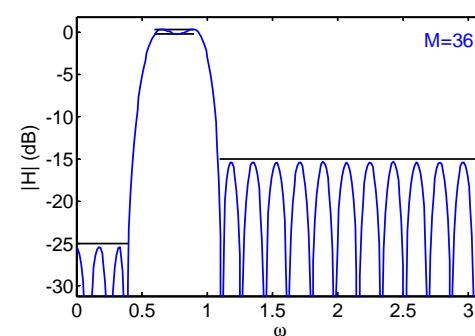
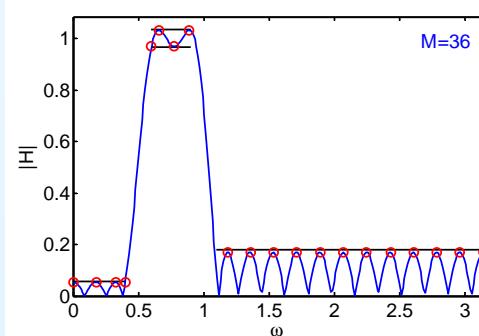
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