

Convolution Sum

- The output of a discrete-time LTI system with impulse response $h[n]$ to input $x[n]$ is given as

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

Let $m = n - k$. We have $k = n - m$, and

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

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Example 1

- Given:
- $x[0] = 0.5, x[1] = 2, x[n] = 0$ otherwise.
 - $h[0] = h[1] = h[2] = 1, h[n] = 0$ otherwise.
- Find $y[n]$.
- Solution: Using the convolution sum: $y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k]h[n-k]$
- $y[n] = x[0]h[n-0] + x[1]h[n-1] = 0.5h[n] + 2h[n-1]$
 - Substituting the values of $h[n]$ into $y[n]$, we have
 - $y[0] = 0.5h[0] + 2h[-1] = 0.5 \times 1 + 2 \times 0 = 0.5$,
 - $y[1] = 0.5h[1] + 2h[0] = 0.5 \times 1 + 2 \times 1 = 2.5$
 - $y[2] = 0.5h[2] + 2h[1] = 0.5 \times 1 + 2 \times 1 = 2.5$,
 - $y[3] = 0.5h[3] + 2h[2] = 0.5 \times 0 + 2 \times 1 = 2$
 - $y[n] = 0$ for $n < 0$ and $n \geq 4$.

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The Motivating Example (revisit)

- The impulse response: $h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$
 $= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$ for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
- The input signal: $x[n] = \begin{cases} 2 & n = 0 \\ 1 & n = 1 \\ 3 & n = 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$\text{For } n = 0, y[0] = x[0]h[0] + x[1]h[0-1] + x[2]h[0-2] = 2 \times 1 = 2$$

$$\text{For } n = 1, y[1] = x[0]h[1] + x[1]h[1-1] + x[2]h[1-2] = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} + 1 \times 1 = 2$$

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$$\text{For } n = 2, y[2] = x[0]h[2-0] + x[1]h[2-1] + x[2]h[2-2]$$

$$= 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 1 \times \frac{1}{2} + 3 \times 1 = 4$$

$$\text{For } n = 3, y[3] = x[0]h[3-0] + x[1]h[3-1] + x[2]h[3-2]$$

$$= 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 1 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 3 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$$

$$\text{For } n = 4, y[4] = x[0]h[4-0] + x[1]h[4-1] + x[2]h[4-2]$$

$$= 2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

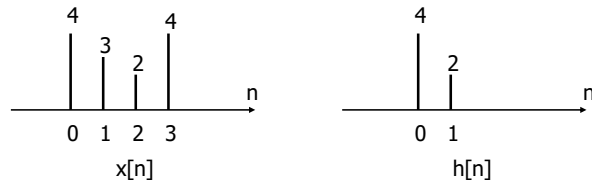
$$= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{4} = 1$$

$$\text{For } n \geq 2, y[n] = 2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} + 3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} = 4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2}$$

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Example 2



Find $y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$.

We will use different methods to find the answer.

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Example 2: Analytical Method

$$\begin{aligned}
 y[n] &= x[n] * h[n] \\
 &= h[n] * x[n] \\
 &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k]x[n-k] \\
 &= h[0]x[n] + h[1]x[n-1] \\
 &= 4x[n] + 2x[n-1]
 \end{aligned}$$

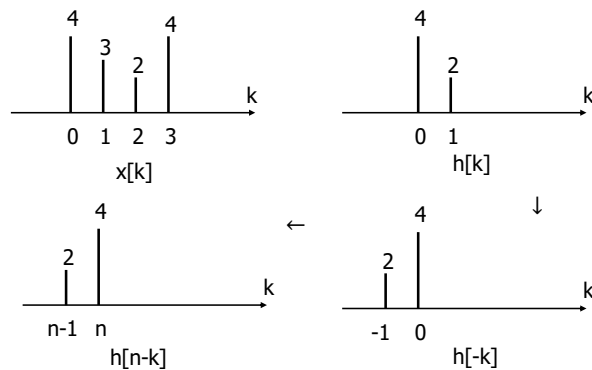
$y[n] = 0$ for $n < 0$ because $x[n]$ and $x[n-1]$ are zero for $n < 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y[0] &= 4x[0] + 2x[-1] = 4 \times 4 = 16 \\
 y[1] &= 4x[1] + 2x[0] = 4 \times 3 + 2 \times 4 = 20 \\
 y[2] &= 4x[2] + 2x[1] = 4 \times 2 + 2 \times 3 = 14 \\
 y[3] &= 4x[3] + 2x[2] = 4 \times 4 + 2 \times 2 = 20 \\
 y[4] &= 4x[4] + 2x[3] = 4 \times 0 + 2 \times 4 = 8 \\
 y[5] &= 4x[5] + 2x[4] = 4 \times 0 + 2 \times 0 = 0 \\
 y[n] &= 0, \text{ for } n < 0 \text{ or } n \geq 5.
 \end{aligned}$$

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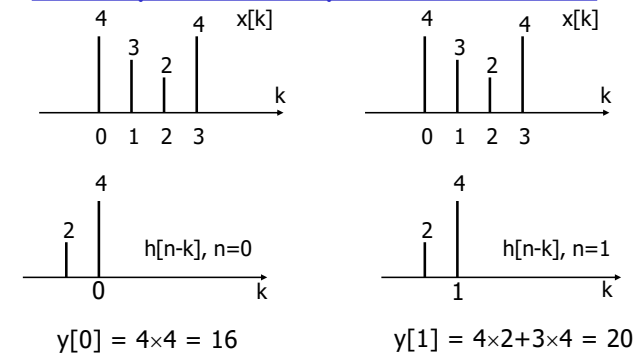
Example 2: Graphical Method



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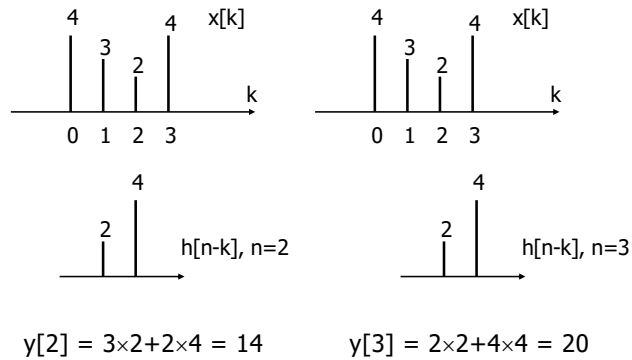
$$y[0] = 4 \times 4 = 16$$

$$y[1] = 4 \times 2 + 3 \times 4 = 20$$

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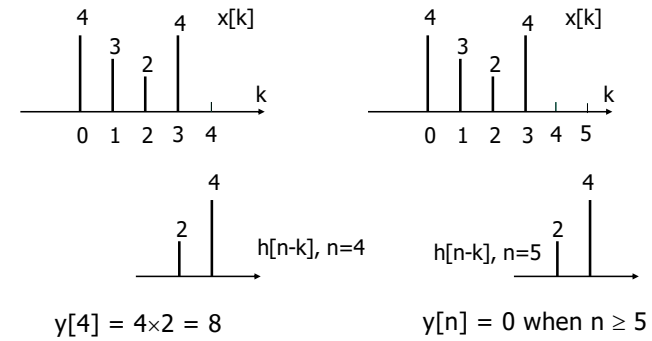
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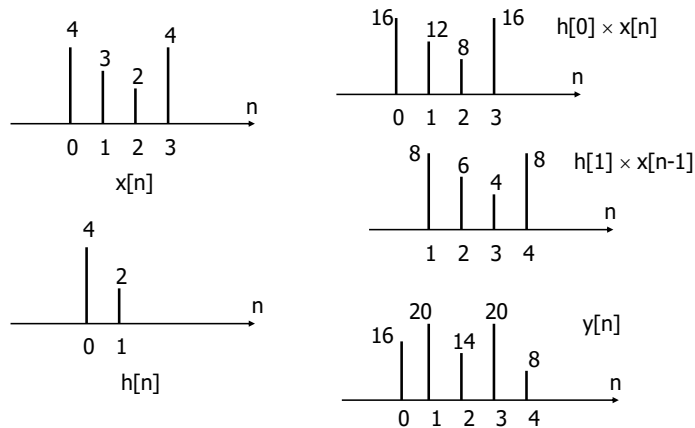


For $n < 0$, $h[n-k]$ and $x[k]$ do not have overlap giving the product zero.
Thus $y[n] = 0$

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Example 2: Superposition Method



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Matrix Method

□ The linear convolution of $\{h[n], n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$ and $\{x[n], n = 0, 1, \dots, M-1\}$ with respective lengths N and M has length of $(M + N - 1)$.

□ Set $M = 4$ and $N = 2$. We have

$x[n] = \{x[0], x[1], x[2], x[3]\}$, $h[n] = \{h[0], h[1]\}$

The number of output samples is $4 + 2 - 1 = 5$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y[0] \\ y[1] \\ y[2] \\ y[3] \\ y[4] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x[0] & 0 \\ x[1] & x[0] \\ x[2] & x[1] \\ x[3] & x[2] \\ 0 & x[3] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h[0] \\ h[1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h[0] & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ h[1] & h[0] & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h[1] & h[0] & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h[1] & h[0] \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & h[1] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x[0] \\ x[1] \\ x[2] \\ x[3] \end{bmatrix}$$

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Example 2 Matrix Method

- $\{4,2\} * \{4,3,2,4\}$
- Number of output samples is $2+4-1=5$

$$\square \begin{bmatrix} y[0] \\ y[1] \\ y[2] \\ y[3] \\ y[4] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 20 \\ 14 \\ 20 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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General case

- Consider $\{h[n], n = q, q+1, \dots, N+q-1\}$ and $\{x[n], n = p, p+1, \dots, M+p-1\}$ with respective lengths N and M , the output has length of $(M+N-1)$.
- The output $y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$ is given as $y[n] = \{y[p+q], y[p+q+1], \dots, y[M+N+p+q-2]\}$

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Example

- $\{4,2\} * \{4,3,2,4\}$
- $q = 0, p = -1, N = 2, M = 4$
output length = $2+4-1=5$
- The first output sample is at $p+q = -1$, while the last output sample is at $M+N+p+q-2 = 4+2-1+0-2 = 3$

$$\square \begin{bmatrix} y[-1] \\ y[0] \\ y[1] \\ y[2] \\ y[3] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 20 \\ 14 \\ 20 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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