

# CS-215: Experiment 4B

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# 1. Convolution of rectangular and triangular function

## Aim

Compute and plot convolution of these 2 functions using the CONV function.

## Theoretical Background

During convolution, the output to an arbitrary input signal is found. The input signal can be imagined to be a sum of scaled and shifted consecutive impulses. Thus, the output will be sum of the corresponding impulse responses.

The triangular pulse has the shape of a triangle between  $[-1, 1]$ .

## Methodology

- The HEAVISIDE function is used to simulate unit step function and TRIANGULARPULSE to simulate the input pulse.
- A vector of the convolution using CONV function is generated and plotted.
- Note that, the CONV function is discrete only and  $\text{HEAVISDE}(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

## Code

```
1 clear all
2 clc
3
4 syms n x(n) h(n);
5 x(n) = heaviside(n-1) - heaviside(n-5);
6 h(n) = triangularPulse((n - 6) / 4);
7
8 range = [-100: 100];
9 xVec = double(x(range));
10 hVec = double(h(range));
11
12 stem(range, xVec, 'fill');
13 pbaspect([2.5, 1, 1]);
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14 set(gca, ...
15     'Box'      , 'off'           , ...
16     'TickDir'   , 'out'          , ...
17     'YGrid'    , 'on'           , ...
18     'XTick'    , [-20: 2: 20] , ...
19     'YTick'    , [-20: .2: 20], ...
20     'FontSize' , 10            );
21
22 axis([- .5, 16.5, 0, 1.6]);
23 print(gcf, '1_inputSignal.eps', '-depsc');
24
25 stem(range, hVec, 'fill');
26 pbaspect([2.5, 1, 1]);
27 set(gca, ...
28     'Box'      , 'off'           , ...
29     'TickDir'   , 'out'          , ...
30     'YGrid'    , 'on'           , ...
31     'XTick'    , [-20: 2: 20] , ...
32     'YTick'    , [-20: .2: 20], ...
33     'FontSize' , 10            );
34
35 axis([- .5, 16.5, 0, 1.6]);
36 print(gcf, '1_impulseResponse.eps', '-depsc');
37
38 yVec = conv(xVec, hVec, 'same');
39 stem(range, yVec, 'fill');
40 pbaspect([1.5, 1, 1]);
41 set(gca, ...
42     'Box'      , 'off'           , ...
43     'TickDir'   , 'out'          , ...
44     'YGrid'    , 'on'           , ...
45     'XTick'    , [-20: 2: 20] , ...
46     'YTick'    , [-20: .5: 20], ...
47     'FontSize' , 10            );
48
49 axis([- .5, 16.5, 0, 3.5]);
50 print(gcf, '1_outputSignal.eps', '-depsc');

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## Input Description

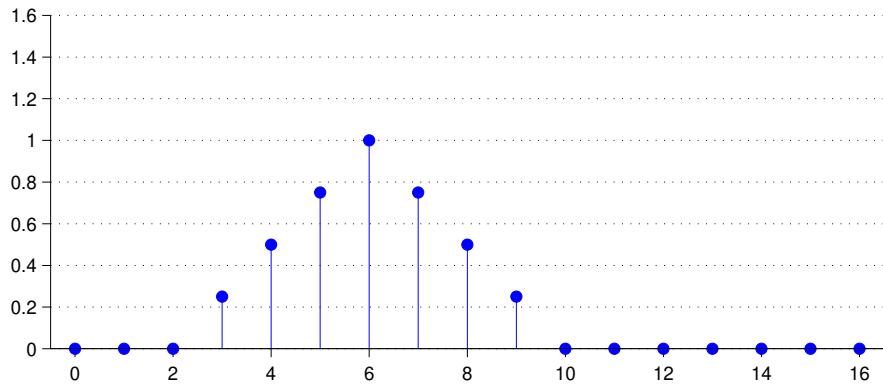
The 2 functions are:

$$x[n] = u[n - 1] - u[n - 5]$$

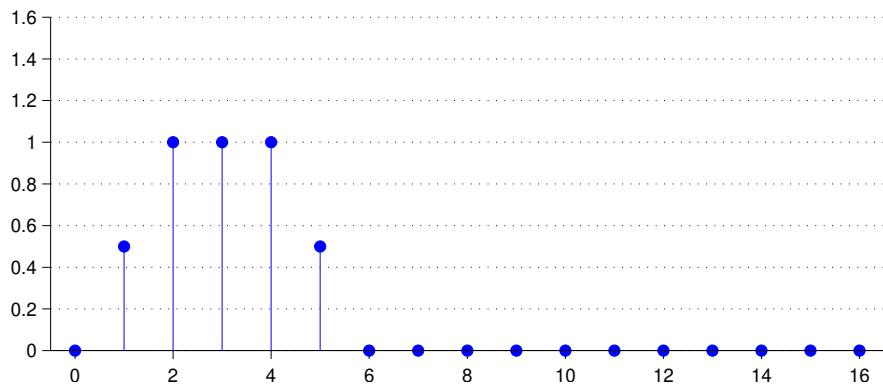
$$h[n] = \text{tri} \left( \frac{n - 6}{4} \right)$$

The range is taken to be  $[-100, 100]$  to ensure no information is lost during convolution.

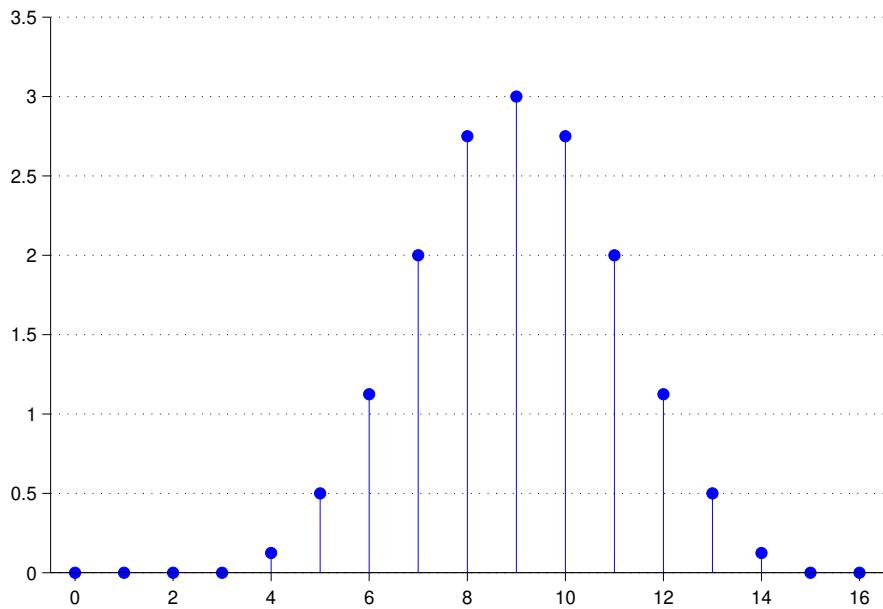
## Result



**Figure 1.1:** Impulse Response,  $\text{tri} \left( \frac{n-6}{4} \right)$



**Figure 1.2:** Input Signal,  $u[n - 1] - u[n - 5]$



**Figure 1.3:** Output Signal

## Conclusion

The resulting output is also a pulse shifted left from both the signals.

## 2. Convolution of Alternating function

### Aim

- Find impulse response when unit step response is

$$s[n] = 2 \left[ \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)^n - 1 \right] u[n]$$

- Compute response of system to  $x[n] = n \cdot u[n]$  and filter it.

### Theoretical Background

The unit step function is the sum of infinite shifted unit impulse functions. Hence, the impulse response can be computed by subtracting a shifted unit response.

Filtering a signal refers to rectifying its output into a continuous signal that reasonably approximates the original signal. One such method is Running Average, where the values are substituted by the average value in a window of certain width.

### Methodology

- The impulse response is computed from the given unit response.
- The convolution sum is thus, found using the impulse response.
- A Filtered output is generated using FILTER.

### Code

```
1 clear all
2 clc
3
4 syms n s(n) h(n) x(n);
5 s(n) = 2 * ((-0.5) ^ n - 1) * heaviside(n);
6 h(n) = s(n) - s(n-1);
7 x(n) = n * heaviside(n);
8
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9    range = [-100: 100];
10
11 sVec = double(s(range));
12 stem(range, sVec, 'fill');
13 pbaspect([1.5, 1, 1]);
14 set(gca, ...
15     'Box'      , 'off'           , ...
16     'TickDir'   , 'out'          , ...
17     'YGrid'     , 'on'           , ...
18     'XTick'     , [-20: 2: 20] , ...
19     'YTick'     , [-20: .5: 20], ...
20     'FontSize'  , 10            );
21
22 axis([-2.5, 10.5, -3.5, 0]);
23 print(gcf, '2_unitResponse.eps', '-depsc');
24
25 hVec = double(h(range));
26 stem(range, hVec, 'fill');
27 pbaspect([1.5, 1, 1]);
28 set(gca, ...
29     'Box'      , 'off'           , ...
30     'TickDir'   , 'out'          , ...
31     'YGrid'     , 'on'           , ...
32     'XTick'     , [-20: 2: 20] , ...
33     'YTick'     , [-20: .5: 20], ...
34     'FontSize'  , 10            );
35
36 axis([-2.5, 10.5, -3.5, 2]);
37 print(gcf, '2_impulseResponse.eps', '-depsc');
38
39 xVec = double(x(range));
40 yVec = conv(xVec, hVec, 'same');
41
42 stem(range, yVec, '');
43 hold on;
44
45 windowSize = 2;
46 b = (1/windowSize)*ones(1,windowSize);
47 yVecFiltered = filter(b, 1, yVec);
48
49 plot(range, yVecFiltered, 'r');
50 hold off;
51
52 pbaspect([1.5, 1, 1]);
53 set(gca, ...
54     'Box'      , 'off'           , ...
55     'TickDir'   , 'out'          , ...

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56      'YGrid'      , 'on'          , ...
57      'XTick'       , [-20: 2: 20]  , ...
58      'YTick'       , [-30: 2: 30]  , ...
59      'FontSize'    , 10           );
60
61 axis([-2.5, 10.5, -20, 0]);
62 print(gcf, '2_outputSignal.eps', '-depsc');

```

## Input Description

The unit step response is

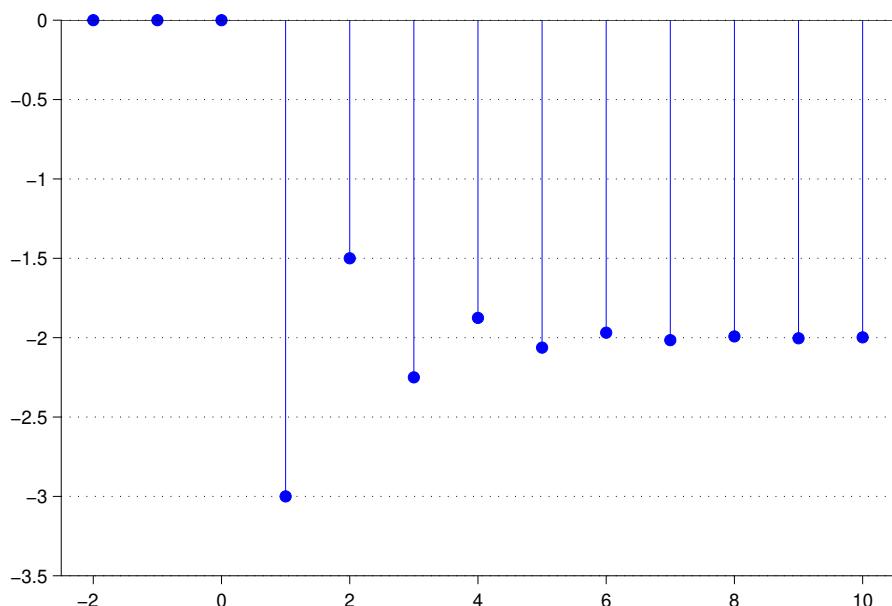
$$s[n] = 2 \left[ \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)^n - 1 \right] u[n]$$

The input to the system is the ramp function

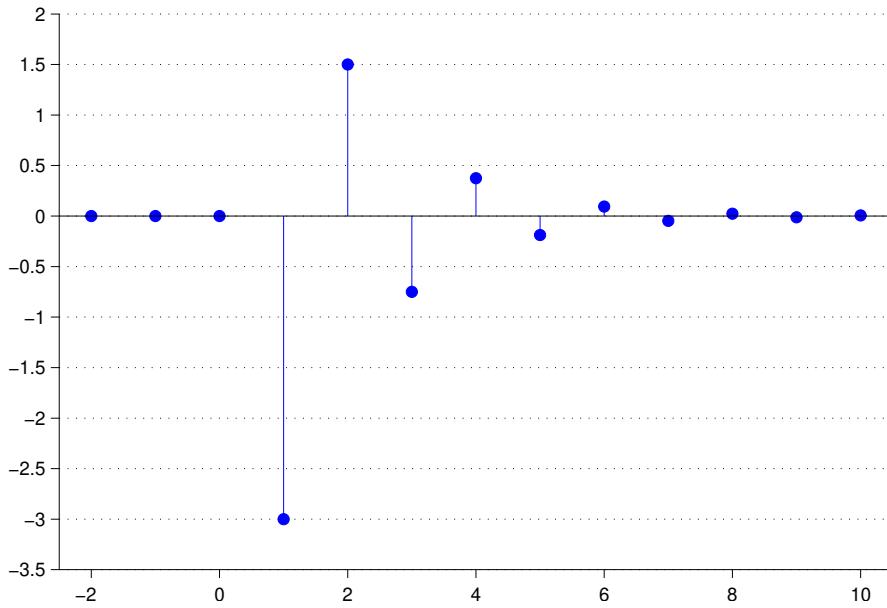
$$x[n] = n \cdot u[n]$$

The window size for the Filter function is taken to be 2.

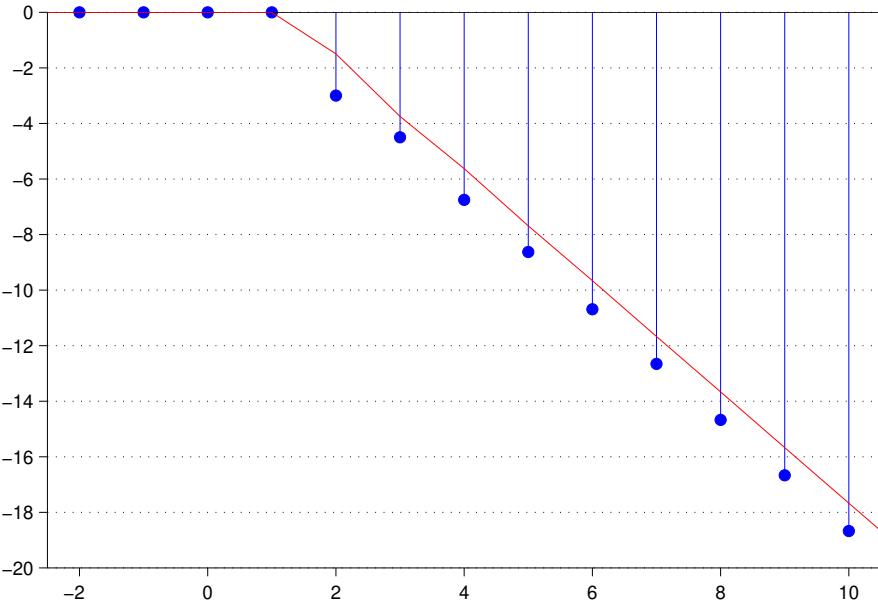
## Result



**Figure 2.1:** Unit response,  $s[n]$



**Figure 2.2:** Impulse response,  $s[n] - s[n - 1]$



**Figure 2.3:** Convolved Signal and Filtered Counterpart(red)

## Conclusion

The filtered output is a scaled version of the input.

The largest value of the impulse function (negative) dominates the convolution sums.