

CS 216 Homework 2

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Problem 1

We will prove that $(f * g) * h = f * (g * h)$. First off, let $x = f * g$ and let $y = g * h$.

$$x(t) = (f * g)(t) = \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-s)g(s)$$

$$y(t) = (g * h)(t) = \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} g(s)h(t-s)$$

This means that

$$(x * h)(t) = \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} x(v)h(t-v) = \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} f(v-s)g(s)h(t-v)$$

Similarly

$$(f * y)(t) = \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-v)y(v) = \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-v)g(s)h(v-s)$$

After a change of variables (TODO: More detail), the two sides are equal.

Problem 2

We will prove that $(f * g) * h \neq f * (g * h)$ if $*$ is correlation. First off, let $x = f * g$ and let $y = g * h$.

$$x(t) = (f * g)(t) = \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t+s)g(s)$$

$$y(t) = (g * h)(t) = \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} g(s)h(t+s)$$

This means that

$$(x * h)(t) = \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} x(v)h(t+v) = \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} f(v+s)g(s)h(t+v)$$

Similarly

$$(f * y)(t) = \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t+v)y(v) = \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t+v)g(s)h(v+s)$$

After a change of variables (TODO: More detail), the two sides are definitely not equal.

Problem 3

Let $g_1(x) = g_2(y) = N(0, \sigma^2)$. Then

$$g_1(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$g_2(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

This means that

$$g_1(x)g_2(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

This allows us to say that $g(x, y) = g_1(x)g_2(y)$