

Discrete-time Signals and Systems Summary

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Discrete-time Signals

A discrete-time signal is mathematically represented as a sequence of data samples (typically real numbers), in which the n -th sequence sample is denoted by $x(n)$:

$$\{ x(n) \}, \quad -\infty < n < \infty,$$

where n is an integer index.

A discrete-time signal $x(n)$ is a function of the form:

$$x(n): \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

Complex signal: $x(n): \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}.$

Discrete-time Signals

A digital signal $x(n)$ is a discrete-time function of the form:

$$x(n): \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow [0, \dots, 2^B - 1],$$

when signal sample has B bits per sample.

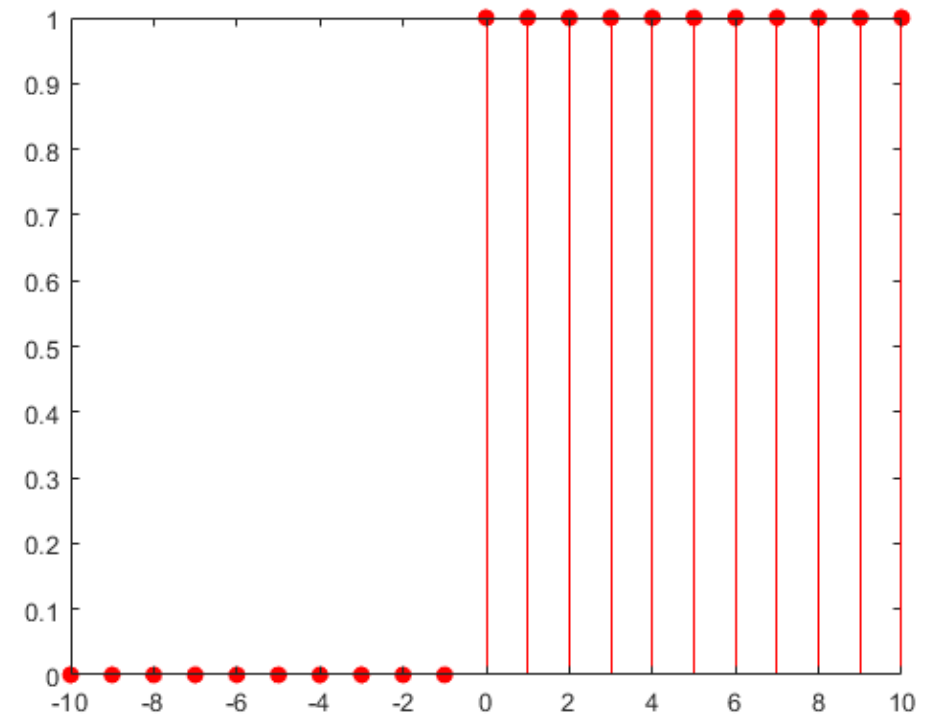
- If $B = 8$, each signal sample has 256 distinct values.

Unit step signal

Formula

$$u(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & n \geq 0 \\ 0, & n < 0. \end{cases}$$

Graph



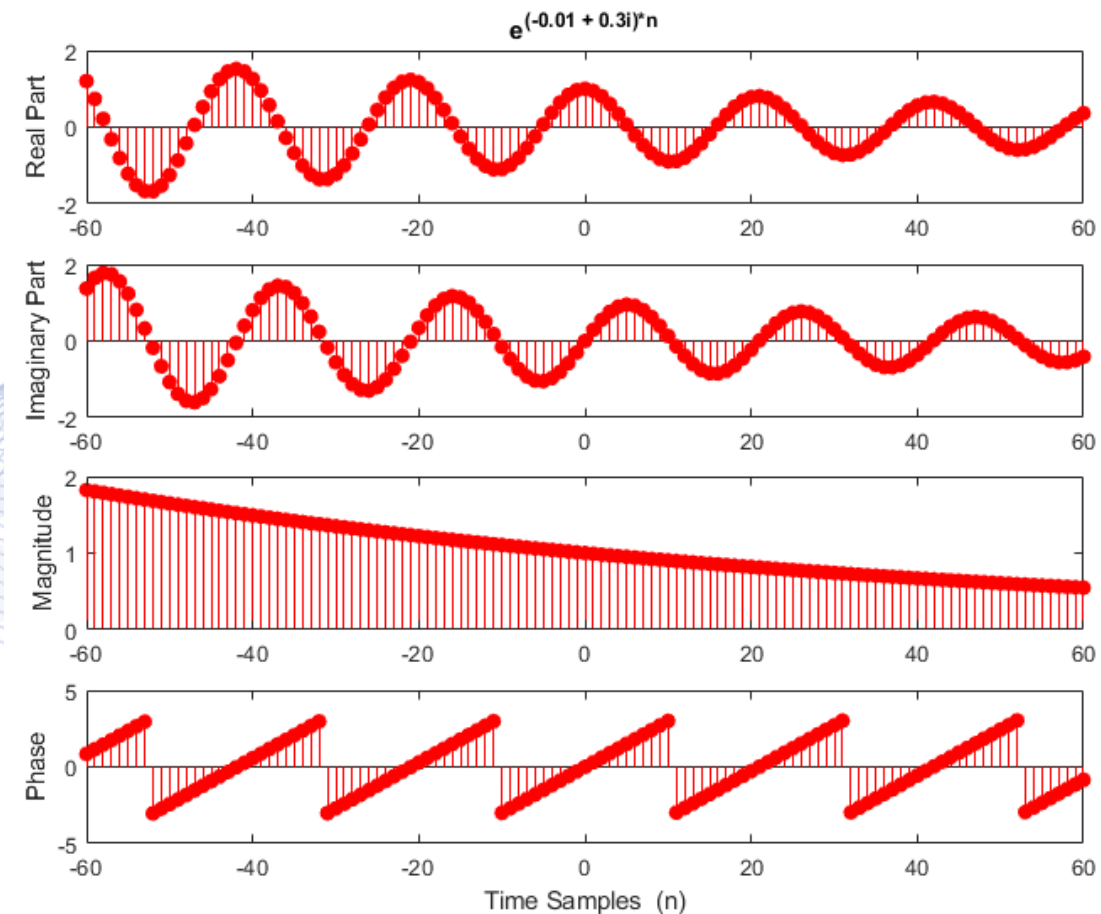
Complex Exponential Signal

Formula

$$x(n) = ae^{i\omega n} = a\cos(\omega n) + i\sin(\omega n).$$

- a : complex signal **magnitude**.
- $\varphi(\omega) = \omega n$: complex signal **phase**.

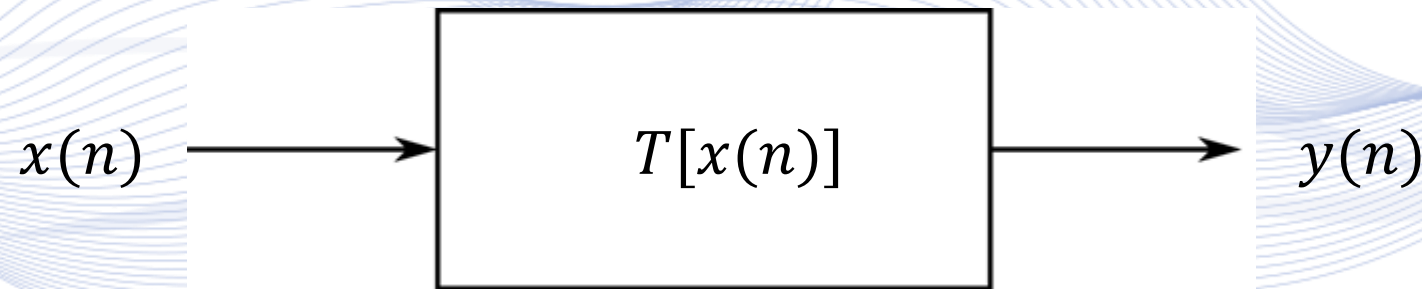
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Discrete-time Systems

A ***discrete-time system*** is defined mathematically as a transformation that maps an input sequence $x(n)$ into an output sequence $y(n)$:

$$y(n) = T[x(n)].$$



1D Linear Systems

Linear Shift-Invariant (LSI) systems:

- Linearity:

$$T[ax_1 + bx_2] = aT[x_1] + bT[x_2].$$

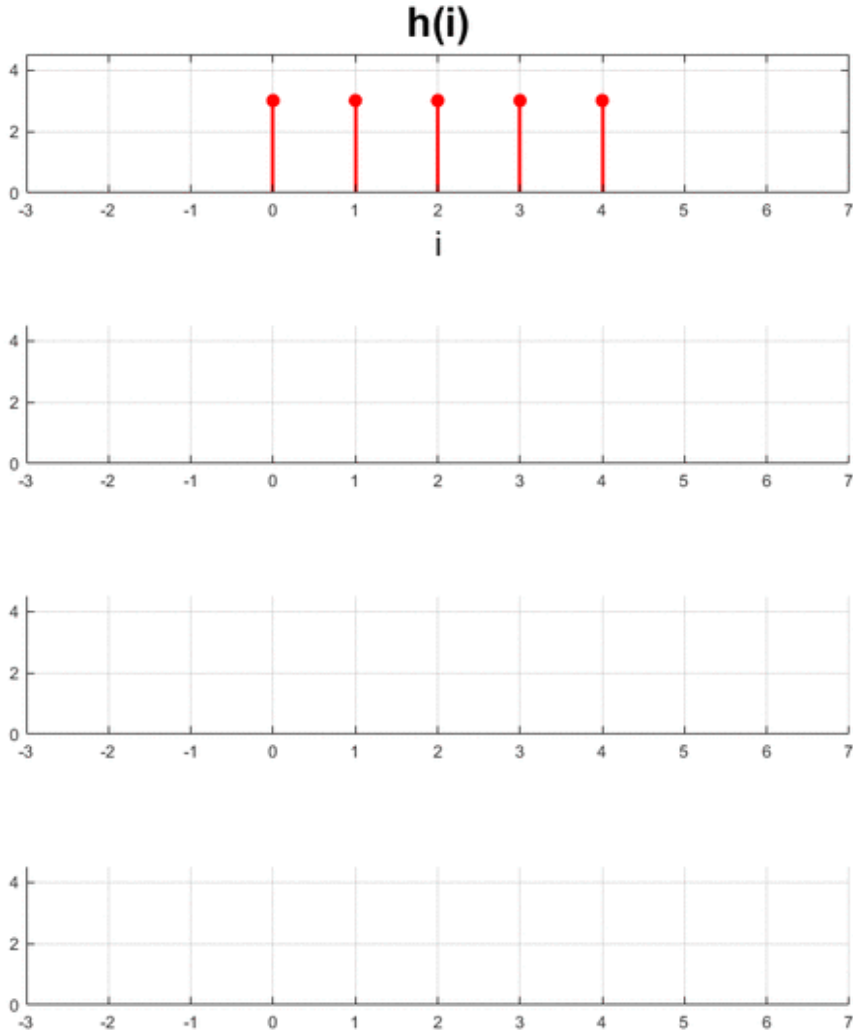
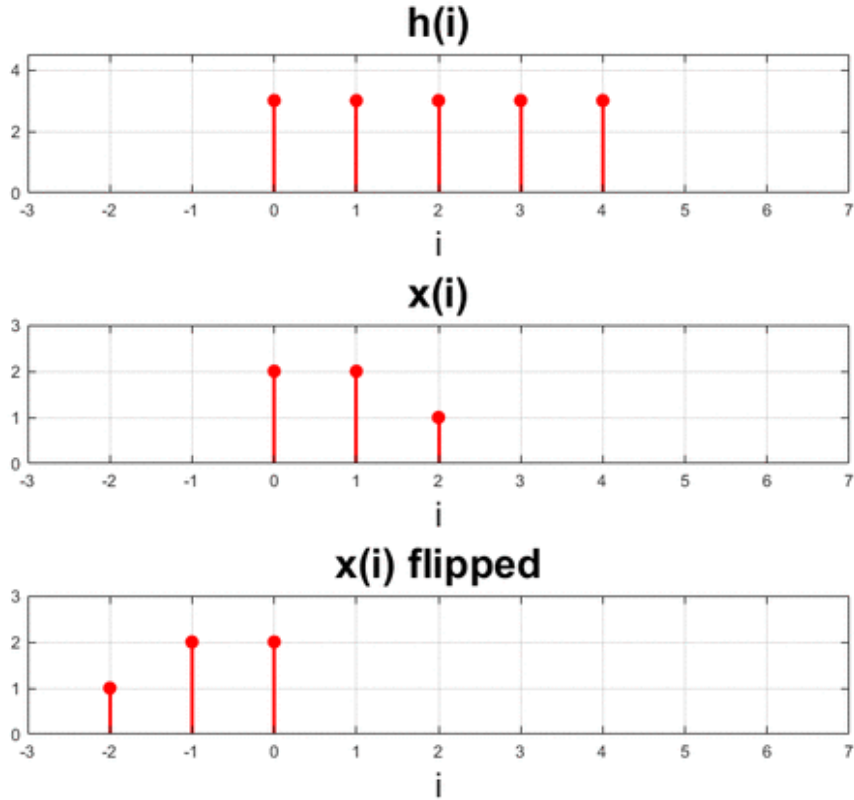
- Shift-Invariance:

$$y(n) = T[x(n)] \Rightarrow y(n - m) = T[x(n - m)].$$

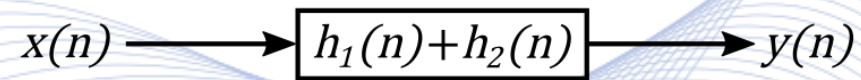
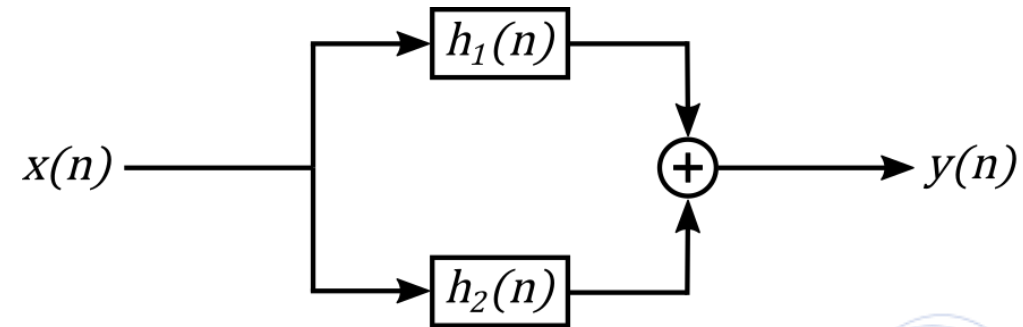
- LSI system is defined by its **impulse response function** $h(n)$ and **convolution** operator:

$$y(n) = h(n) * x(n).$$

Linear 1D convolution – Example

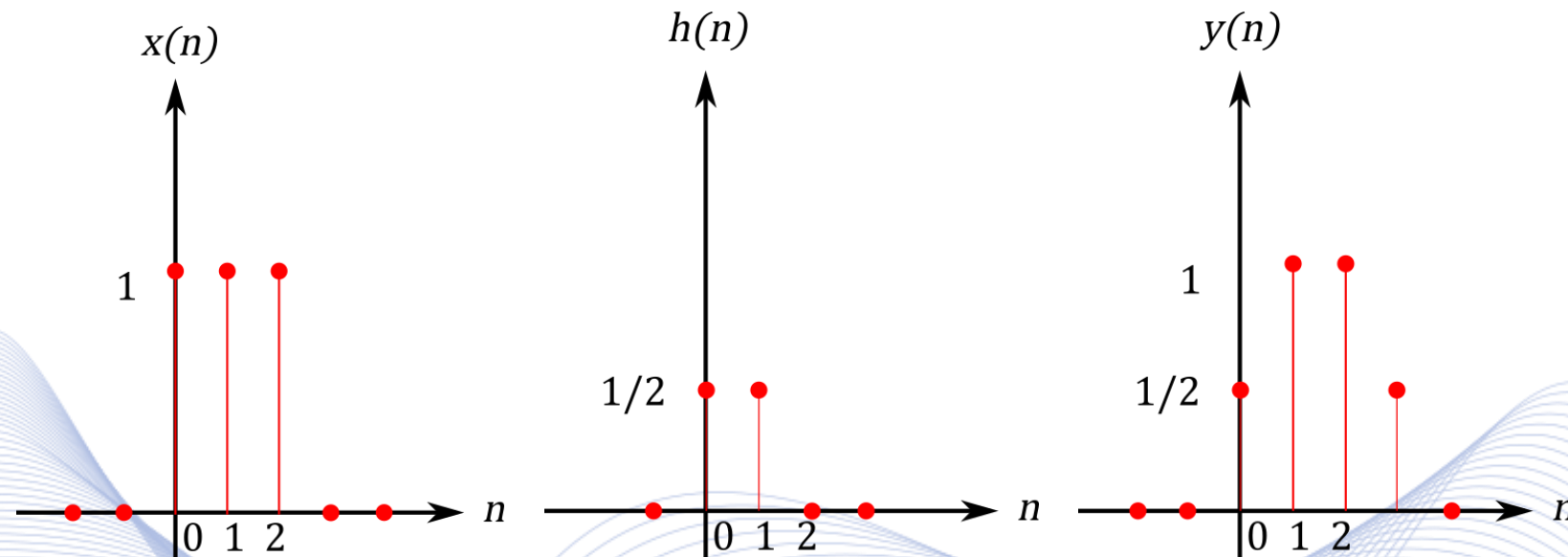


Convolution Properties



LTI System distributivity.

Convolution Example 1



$$y(n) = 0, \quad n \leq -1$$

$$y(0) = \frac{1}{2}(x(0) + x(-1)) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y(1) = \frac{1}{2}(x(1) + x(0)) = 1$$

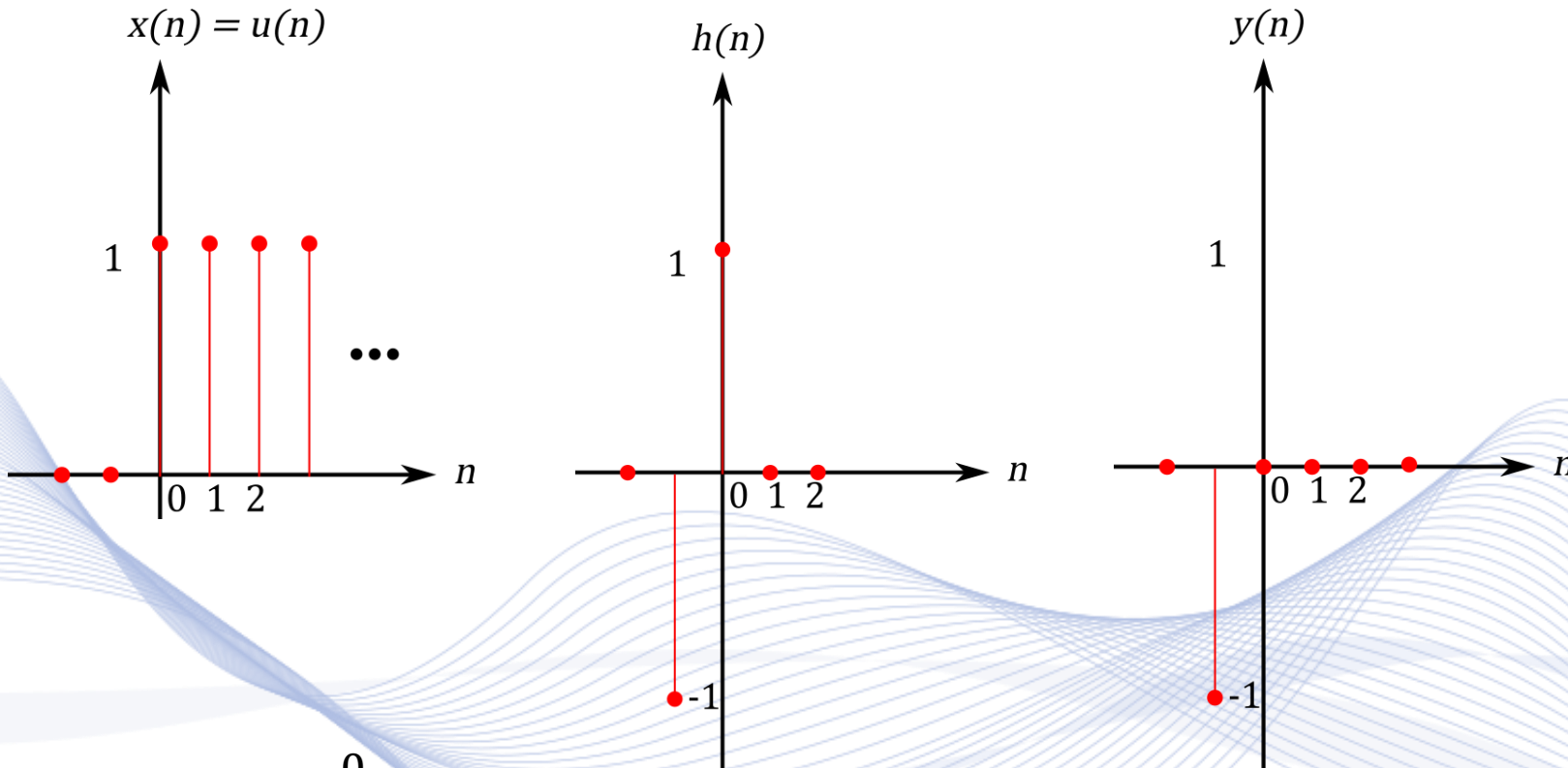
$$y(2) = \frac{1}{2}(x(2) + x(1)) = 1$$

$$y(3) = \frac{1}{2}(x(3) + x(2)) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y(n) = 0, \quad n \geq 4$$

$$y(n) = \sum_{i=0}^1 h(i)x(n-i) = \frac{1}{2}(x(n) + x(n-1)).$$

Convolution Example 6



$$y(n) = \sum_{i=-1}^0 h(i)x(n-i) = h(-1)x(n+1) + h(0)x(n) = x(n) - x(n+1).$$

Convolution Example 7



Calculate the output of a LTI system whose impulse response is:

$$h(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq M - 1 \\ 0, & n < 0, \quad n > M - 1. \end{cases}$$

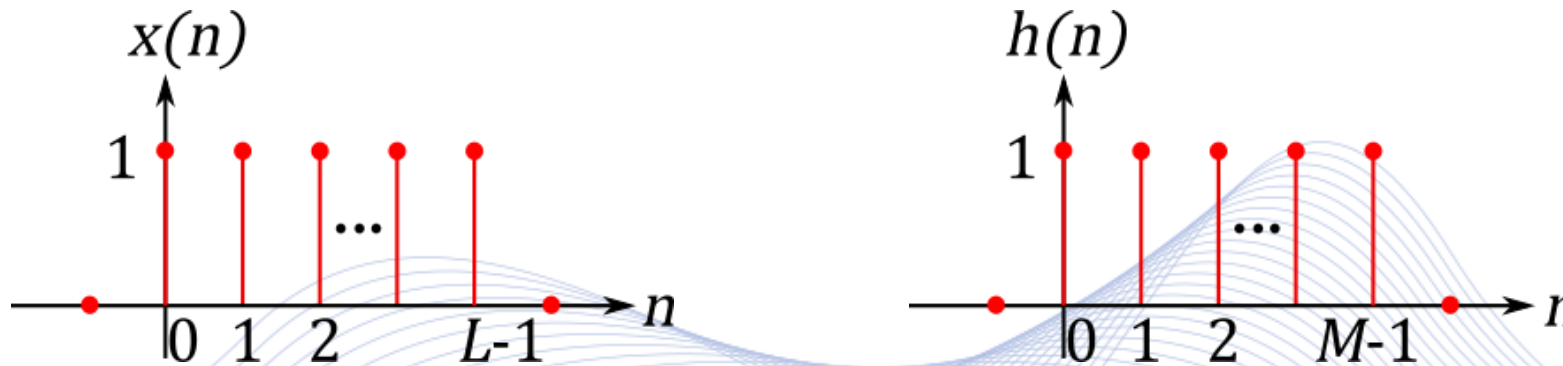
while the input is:

$$x(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq L - 1 \\ 0, & n < 0, \quad n > L - 1. \end{cases}$$

where $M < L$.

Convolution Example 7

- We have to convolute two rectangular pulses.
- Input duration is L , while impulse response duration is M samples.



- It is given that $M < L$.
- We can conclude that the output will be a trapezoid because the pulses have unequal duration.

Linear 1D correlation

- Correlation of template signal h and input signal $x(n)$ (inner product):

$$r_{hx}(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} h(i)x(n+i) = \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{x}(n).$$

- $\mathbf{h} = [h(0), \dots, h(M-1)]^T$: template vector.
- $\mathbf{x}(n) = [x(n), \dots, x(n+M-1)]^T$: local signal vector.

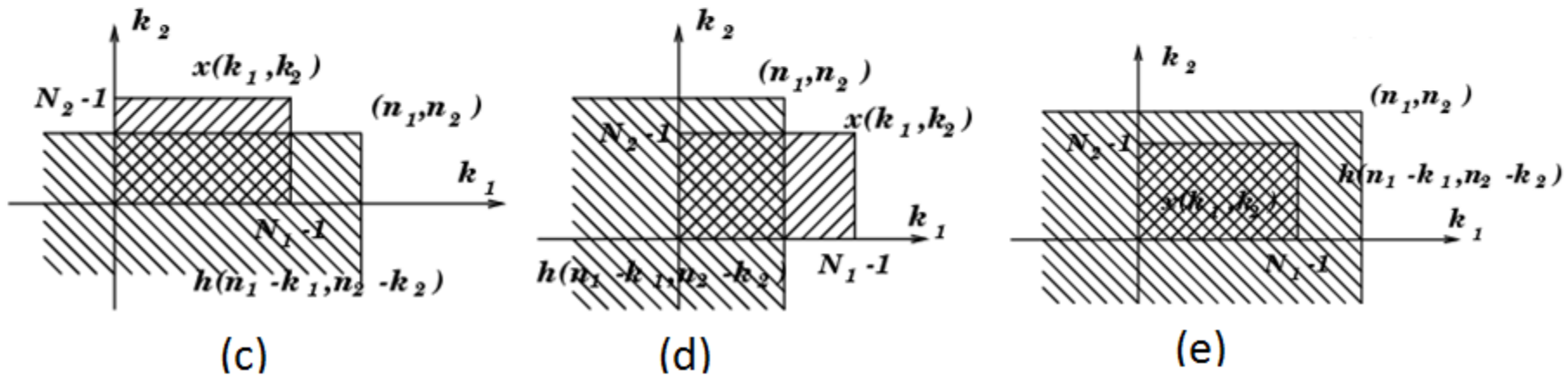
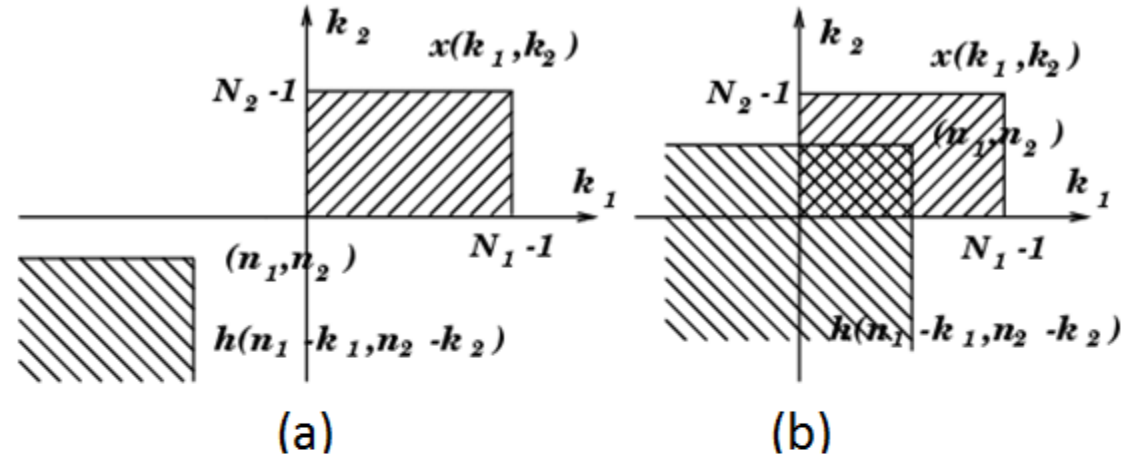
2D convolutions

- A 2D linear shift invariant system is described by a 2D convolution of input x with a convolutional kernel h :

$$y(n_1, n_2) = h(n_1, n_2) ** x(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{i_1} \sum_{i_2} h(i_1, i_2) x(n_1 - i_1, n_2 - i_2).$$

- Input x has typically limited region of support (size), e.g., it can be an image of $M_1 \times M_2$ pixels.
- Convolutional kernel h may have limited or infinite region of support.

2D convolutions



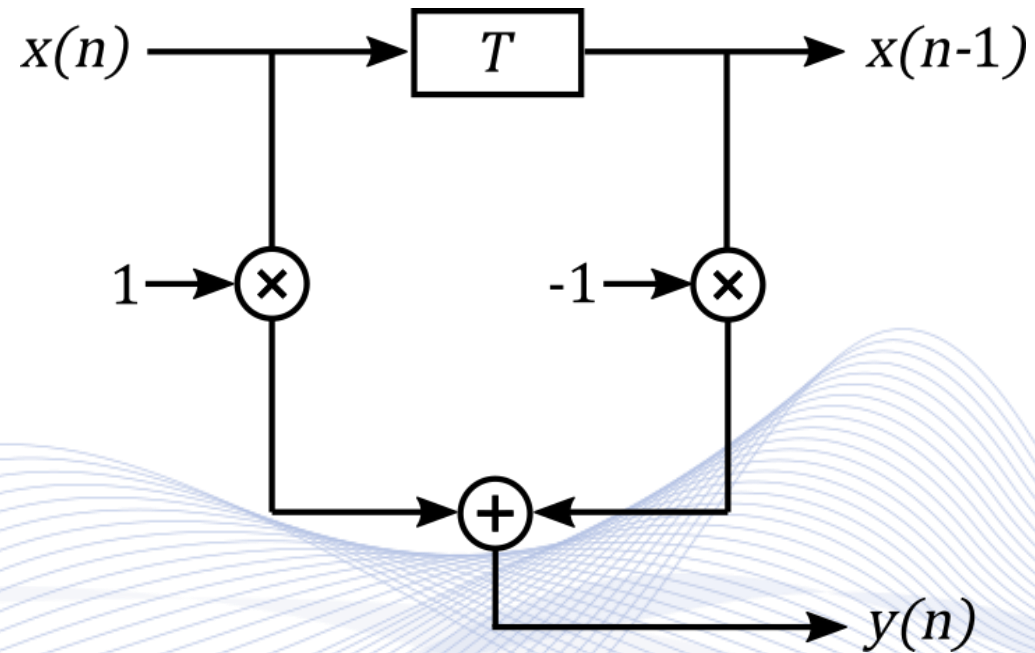
Visualization of 2D convolution calculation.

FIR and IIR Systems

- If a system has an impulse response of finite length $h(i), i = 1, \dots, M$, it is called **Finite Impulse Response (FIR)** system:

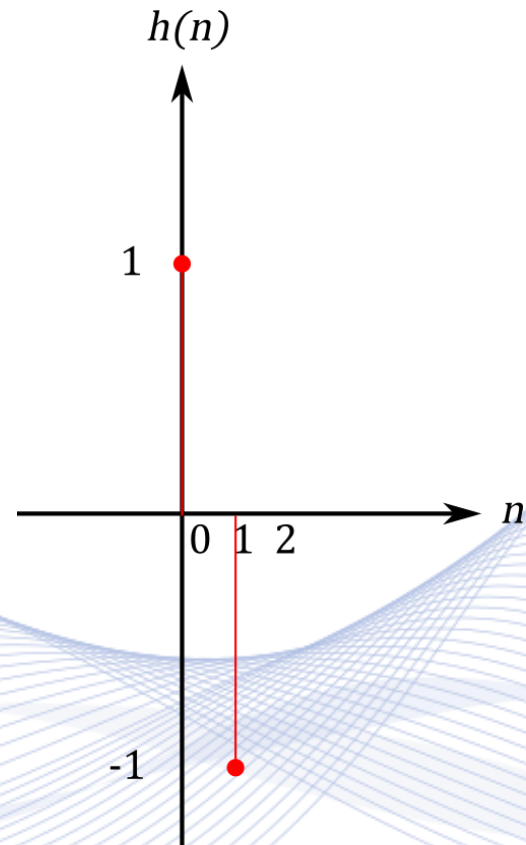
$$y(n) = h(n) * x(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} h(i)x(n - i).$$

Numerical differentiator



$$y(n) = x(n) - x(n - 1).$$

Numerical differentiator



$$y(n) = \sum_{i=0}^1 h(n)x(n-i) = x(n) - x(n-1).$$

IIR Systems

If a system has an impulse response of infinite length $h(i), i = -\infty, \dots, \infty$, is referred as an ***Infinite Impulse Response (IIR)*** system.

An IIR system is described by a ***difference equation***:

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k y(n - k) = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x(n - k),$$

having coefficients $a_k, k = 0, \dots, N$ and $b_k, k = 0, \dots, M$.

IIR Systems

An IIR system can also be described by a ***recursive*** formula:

$$y(n) = \frac{1}{a_0} \left(\sum_{i=0}^M b_i x(n-i) - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i y(n-i) \right).$$

- Output $y(n)$ is given at time n in terms of the present input sample and the previous values of the input and output samples.

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