

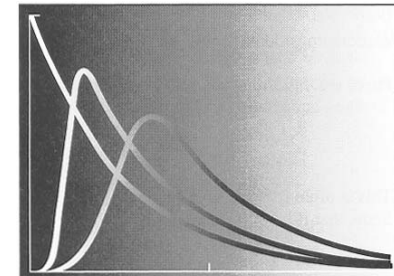
Signals and Systems

Fall 2003

Lecture #3

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- 1) Representation of DT signals in terms of shifted unit samples
- 2) Convolution sum representation of DT LTI systems
- 3) Examples
- 4) The unit sample response and properties of DT LTI systems



Exploiting Superposition and Time-Invariance

$$x[n] = \sum_k a_k x_k[n] \xrightarrow{\text{Linear System}} y[n] = \sum_k a_k y_k[n]$$

Question: Are there sets of “basic” signals so that:

- We can represent rich classes of signals as linear combinations of these building block signals.
- The response of LTI Systems to these basic signals are both *simple* and *insightful*.

Fact: For LTI Systems (CT or DT) there are two natural choices for these building blocks

Focus for now:

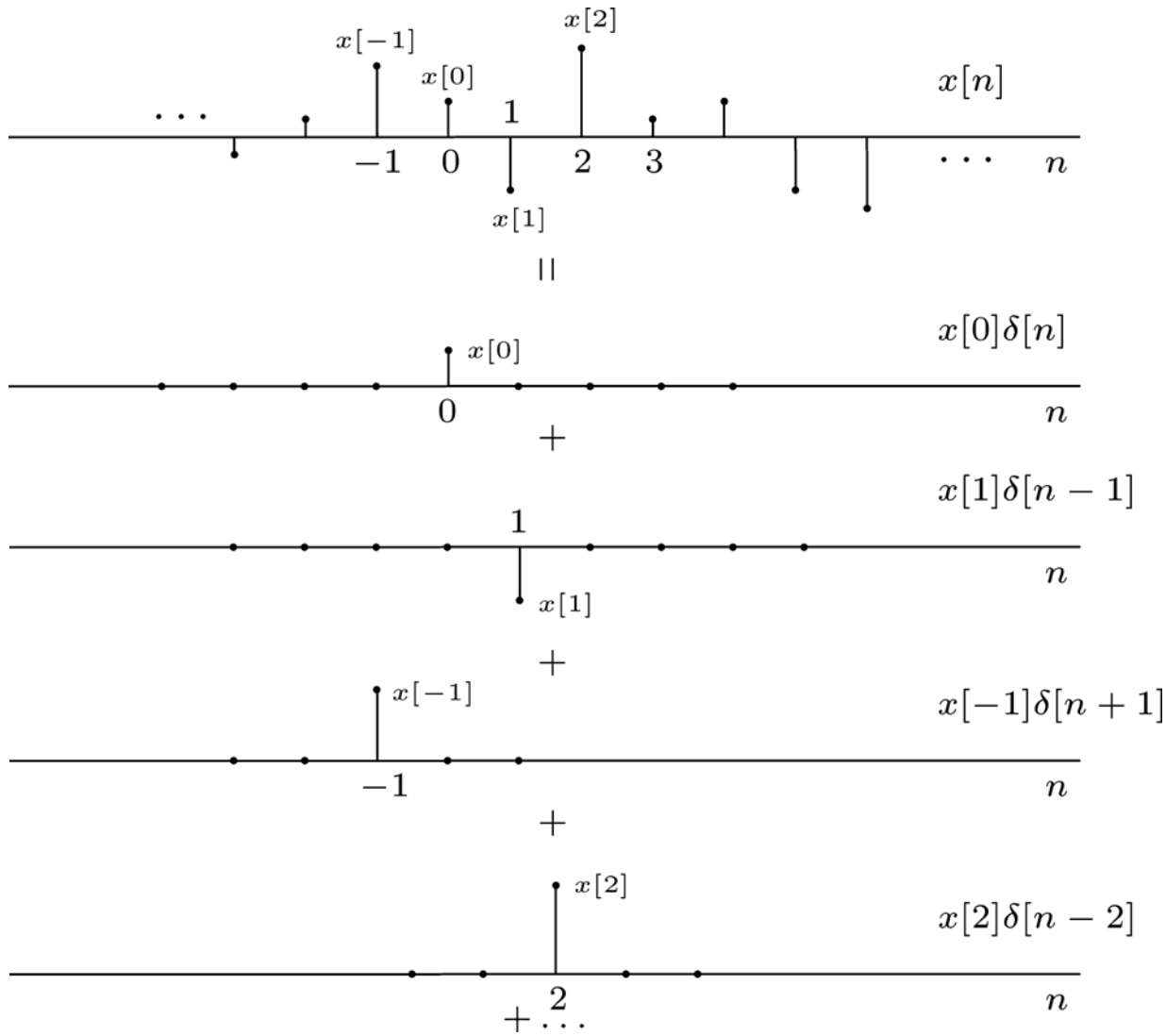
DT

Shifted unit samples

CT

Shifted unit impulses

Representation of DT Signals Using Unit Samples



That is ...

$$x[n] = \cdots + x[-2]\delta[n+2] + x[-1]\delta[n+1] + x[0]\delta[n] + x[1]\delta[n-1] + \cdots$$



$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{x[k]} \underbrace{\delta[n-k]}$$

Coefficients

Basic Signals

The Sifting Property of the Unit Sample



- Suppose the system is **linear**, and define $h_k[n]$ as the response to $\delta[n - k]$:

$$\delta[n - k] \rightarrow h_k[n]$$

From superposition: \Downarrow

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] \delta[n - k] \rightarrow y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] h_k[n]$$



- Now suppose the system is **LTI**, and define the *unit sample response* $h[n]$:

$$\delta[n] \rightarrow h[n]$$

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$$\delta[n - k] \rightarrow h[n - k]$$

From LTI:

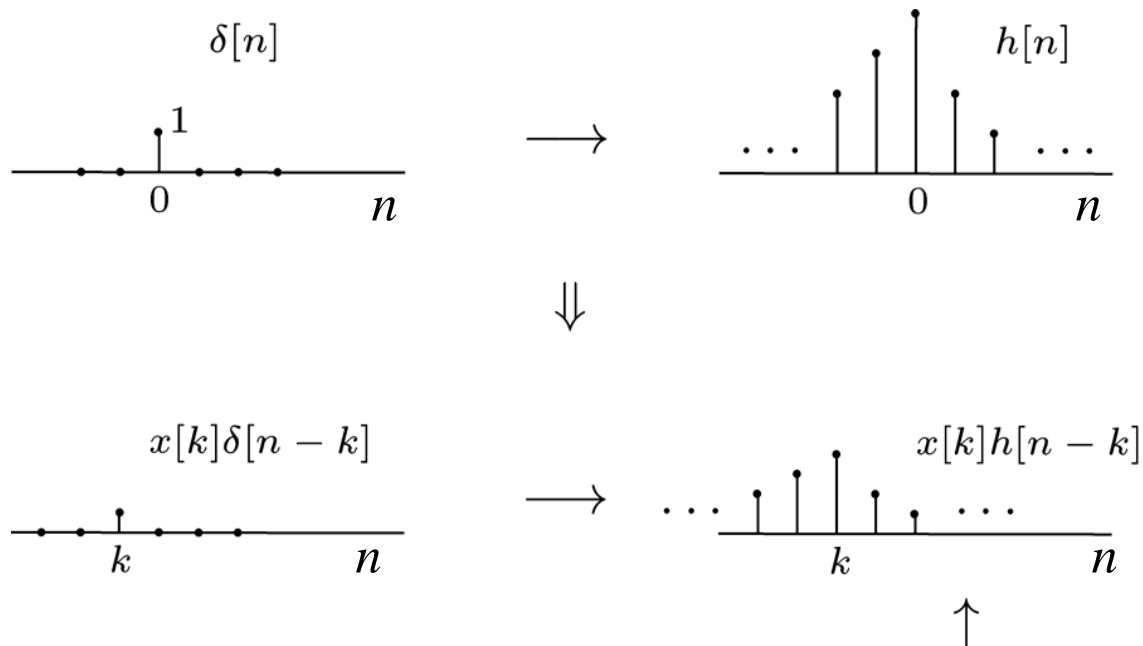
$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] \delta[n - k] \rightarrow y[n] = \underbrace{\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] h[n - k]}_{\text{Convolution Sum}}$$

Convolution Sum

Convolution Sum Representation of Response of LTI Systems

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

Interpretation



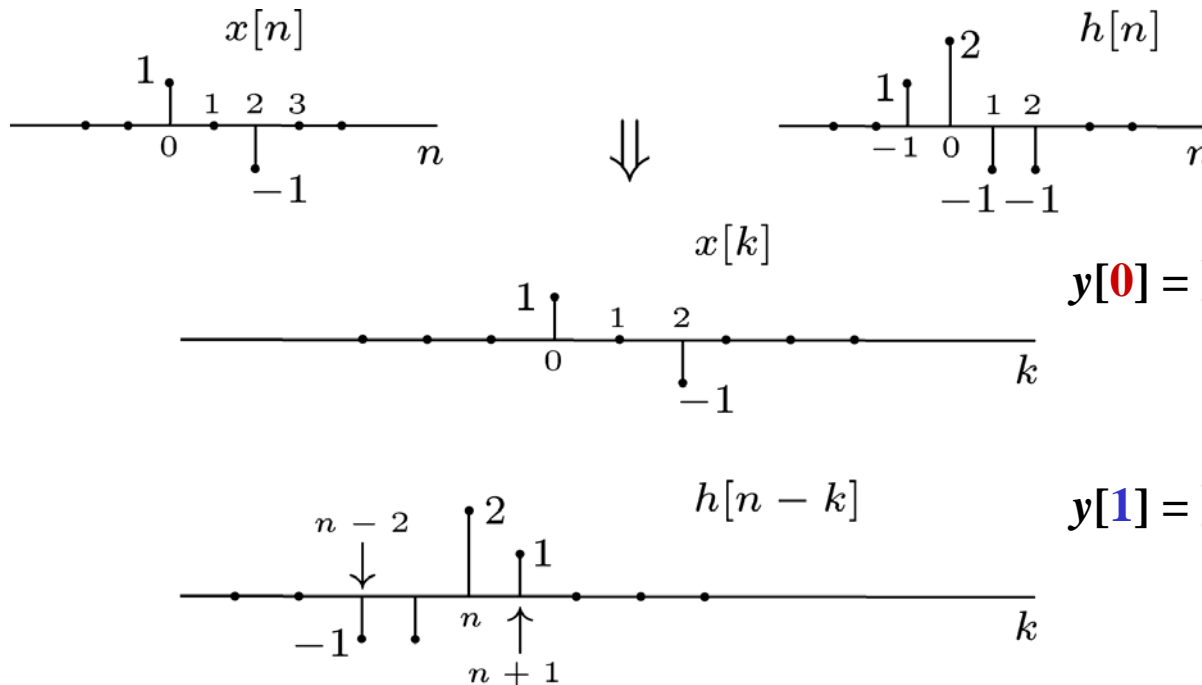
Sum up responses over all k

Visualizing the calculation of $y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$

Choose value of n and consider it fixed

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

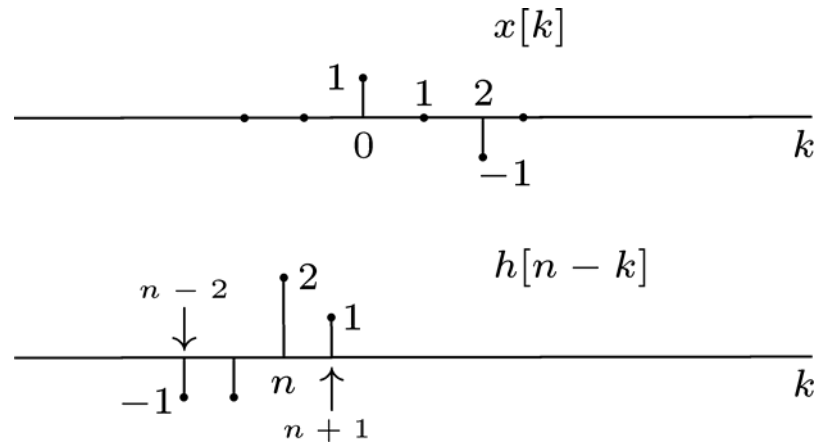
View as functions of k with n fixed



$y[0] = \sum$ prod of overlap for $n = 0$

$y[1] = \sum$ prod of overlap for $n = 1$

Calculating Successive Values: Shift, Multiply, Sum



$$y[n] = 0 \quad \text{for } n < -1$$

$$y[-1] = 1 \times 1 = 1$$

$$y[0] = 0 \times 1 + 1 \times 2 = 2$$

$$y[1] = (-1) \times 1 + 0 \times 2 + 1 \times (-1) = -2$$

$$y[2] = (-1) \times 2 + 0 \times (-1) + 1 \times (-1) = -3$$

$$y[3] = (-1) \times (-1) + 0 \times (-1) = 1$$

$$y[4] = (-1) \times (-1) = 1$$

$$y[n] = 0 \quad \text{for } n > 4$$

Properties of Convolution and DT LTI Systems

- 1) A DT LTI System is *completely characterized* by its unit sample response

Ex. #1: $h[n] = \delta[n - n_0]$

There are *many* systems with this response to $\delta[n]$

There is only *one* LTI System with this response to $\delta[n]$:

$$y[n] = x[n - n_0]$$



$$x[n] * \delta[n - n_0] = x[n - n_0]$$

Ex. #2:

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n x[k] \quad - \text{ An Accumulator}$$

Unit Sample response

$$h[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n \delta[k] = u[n]$$



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

The Commutative Property

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



Ex: Step response $s[n]$ of an LTI system

$$s[n] = u[n] * h[n] = h[n] * u[n]$$

↑
step
input

↑
“input”

↑
Unit Sample response
of accumulator

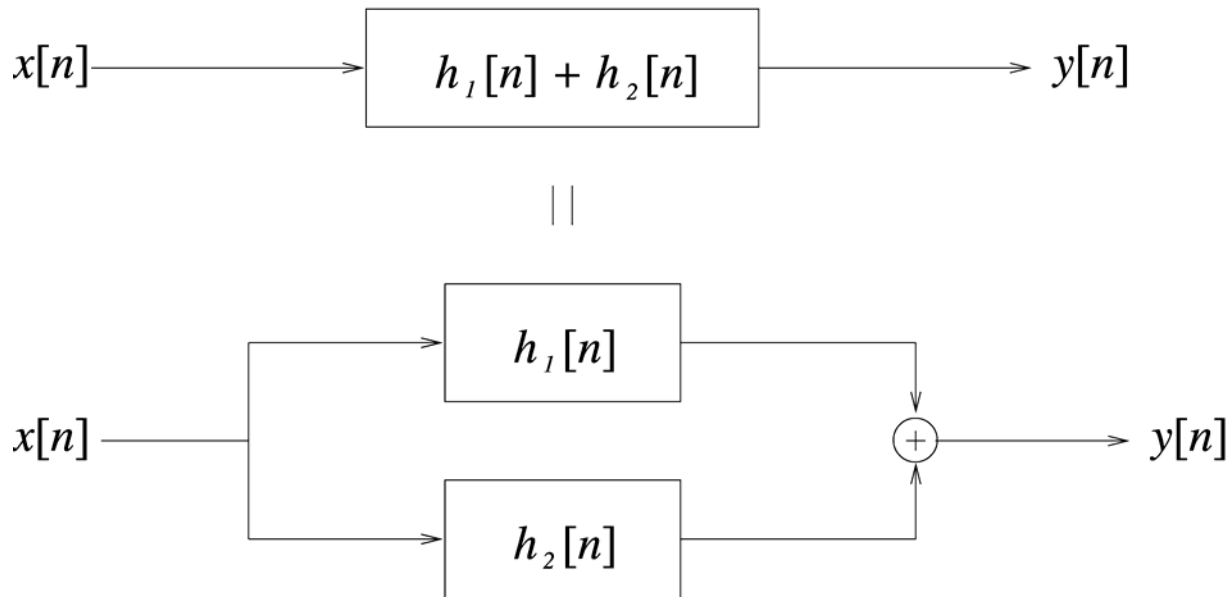
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$$s[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n h[k]$$

The Distributive Property

$$x[n] * (h_1[n] + h_2[n]) = x[n] * h_1[n] + x * h_2[n]$$

Interpretation



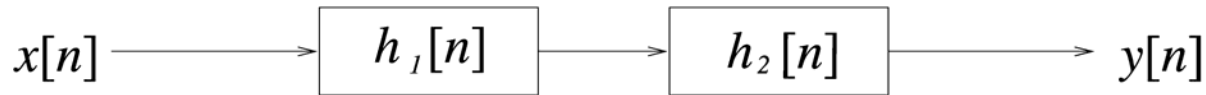
The Associative Property

$$x[n] * (h_1[n] * h_2[n]) = (x[n] * h_1[n]) * h_2[n]$$

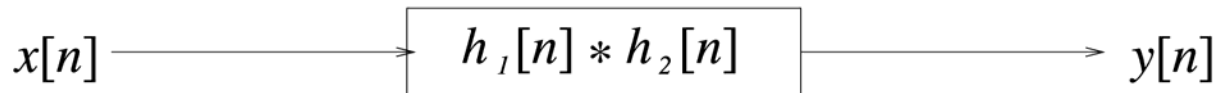
(Commutativity) ||

$$x[n] * (h_2[n] * h_1[n]) = (x[n] * h_2[n]) * h_1[n]$$

Implication (Very special to LTI Systems)



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Properties of LTI Systems

1) Causality $\Leftrightarrow h[n] = 0$ for all $n < 0$

2) Stability $\Leftrightarrow \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} |h[k]| < \infty$