

# Convolution Properties.

## Mathematical Properties.

- Convolution is **commutative**  $\rightarrow$

the order in which two signals are **convolved** makes **no** difference; the result is **identical**.



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

let.  $l = n - k \Rightarrow k = n - l$

THEN  $y[n] = \sum_{n-l=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n-l] \cdot h[l]$

$$= \sum_{-l=-\infty-n}^{\infty} h[l] \cdot x[n-l]$$

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$$= \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} h[l] \cdot x[n-l]$$

$\downarrow$   
for a sum the order  
doesn't matter

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

$$\boxed{x[n] * h[n] = h[n] * x[n]}$$

Commutative

It is possible to convolve 3 or more signals?

→ yes.

$x[n]$  want to convolve with both  $h_1[n]$   $h_2[n]$

convolve two of the signals to produce an intermediate signal

intermediate signal  $x[n] * h_1[n]$

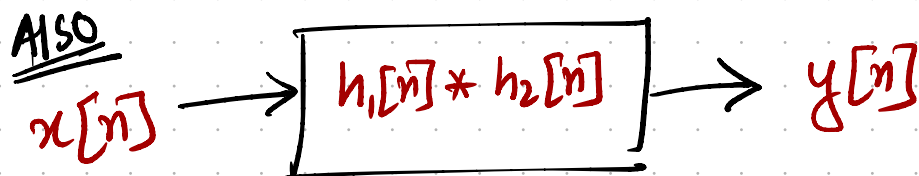
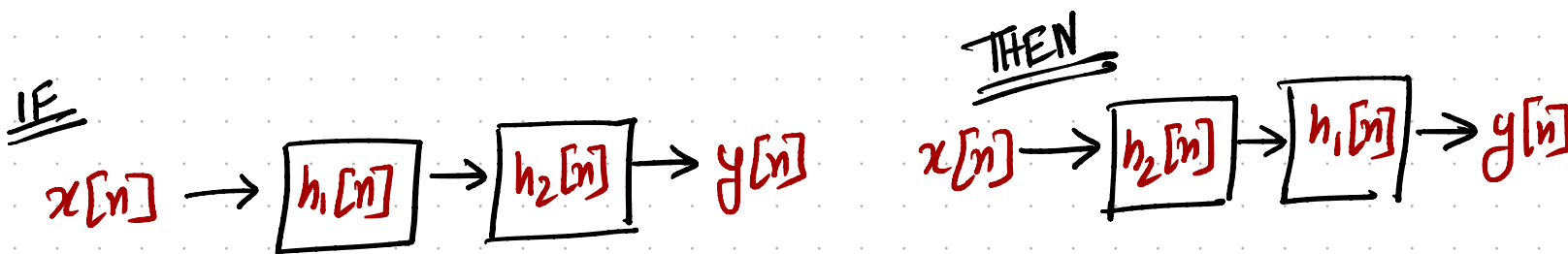
then we convolve the intermediate signal to the third signal

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

What should be the order of  $h_1[n]$   $h_2[n]$

Does not matter.

• convolution is **associative** → used in system theory to describe how **cascaded** systems behave



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

Example → allows us to make bandpass filters as a sum of multiple high, low pass filters.

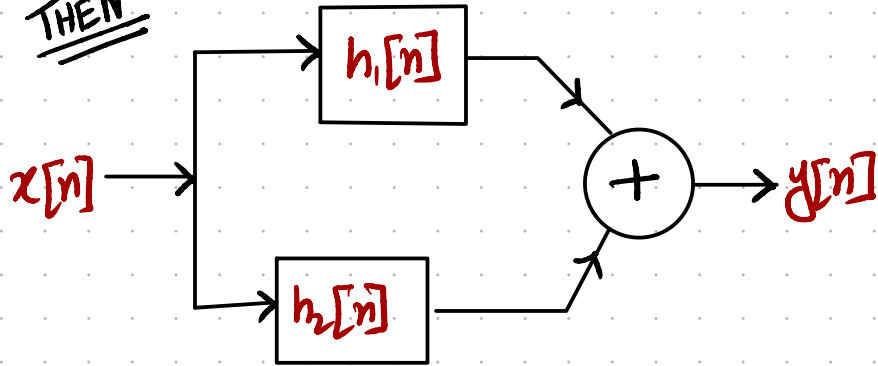
- Convolution is **Distributive**. → describes the operation in parallel system with adder output.

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

IF



THEN



Test if a linear Time Invariant (LTI) is causal or not

↓  
Do not get an output prior to the input that caused it (past & present)

LTI system is causal iff  $h[n < 0] = 0$

To See

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

$$= \underbrace{\sum_{k=-\infty}^{-1} h[k] \cdot x[n-k]}_{\text{for } k < 0} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h[k] \cdot x[n-k]}_{\text{for } k \geq 0}$$

for  $k < 0$

$$h[-1]x[n-(-1)] + h[-2]x[n-(-2)] + \dots$$

$$h[-1]x[n+1] + h[-2]x[n+2] + \dots$$

↓  
future input

non-causal

for  $k \geq 0$

$$h[0]x[n] + h[1]x[n+1] + \dots$$

↓  
present/past inputs

↓  
causal

Thus  $h[n < 0] = 0$ .

• LTI systems is stable. or bounded input results in bounded output

iff  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| < \infty$

implies  $\rightarrow h[n] \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

also

if  $x[n]$  is finite duration  $y[n] \rightarrow 0$   
as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

# Finite Impulse Response (FIR)

If  $h[n] \neq 0$  over finite range

AND  $h[n] < \infty \forall n$

Then Stable system (BIBO)

↓  
system is a Finite Impulse Response (FIR)

↓  
when you apply an impulse to the system  
you get an impulse response / an output  
that is non-zero only for a finite  
amount of time

so the response to the impulse is only for  
a finite duration

- System has finite memory
- easy to achieve BIBO stability

↓  
just need the coefficients of the  
system to be not infinity

## Infinite Impulse Response (IIR)

if  $h[n]$  has infinite range

— system has infinite memory

→ if you have an input to the system, the effect of that system is there forever and it never goes away.

— harder to achieve BIBO stability

# Why do we use recursion/feedbacks in digital systems?

Recursion gives us infinite impulse response system where we have to think more about stability

↓  
It gives us a compact & better description of the system

Example cumulative sum of  $x[n]$  starting at  $n=0$

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^n x[k] \rightarrow \text{system with an impulse response that is a step function}$$

Issues → Computation of sum grows with  $n$ .

→ All input for  $n \geq 0$  must be stored

⇒ large memory.

## Efficient Recursive Formulation

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} 0 & , n < 0 \\ y[n-1] + x[n] & , n \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

- Computation is easy → every step need one addition.
- only one stored value
- utilizes feedback



# Linear Constant Coefficient Difference Equation

$$y[n] = -a_1 y[n-1] - a_2 y[n-2] - \dots + b_0 x[n] + b_1 x[n-1] \quad \left. \vphantom{y[n]} \right\} \text{Causal formulation}$$

— for non-causal, use future  $x[\cdot]$  values

$a$ 's are  $\rightarrow$  feed back co-efficients

$b$ 's are  $\rightarrow$  feed forward co-efficients.

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=1}^R a_k y[n-k] + \sum_{k=0}^N b_k x[n-k]$$

past output

Present, Past inputs.

(non causal  $\rightarrow$  future inputs)

If  $a$ 's and  $b$ 's are constants.  $\Rightarrow$  System LTI

$\rightarrow$  linear, constant-coefficient difference equation.

# Determining Impulse Response of a Linear Constant Co-Efficient

## Difference Equation

To determine  $h[n]$ :

1. Apply impulse  $\delta[n]$  to resting system

↓  
value 1 at time = 0  
value 0 at other time.

2. Assume  $y[n < 0] = 0$  (Causal system)

Example Cumulative Sum

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} 0 & , n < 0 \\ y[n-1] + x[n] & , n \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

So,

$$h[n] = \begin{cases} 0 & , n < 0 \\ h[n-1] + \delta[n] & , n \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Thus, } h[0] = h[-1] + \delta[0] = 0 + 1 = 1$$

$$h[1] = h[0] + \delta[1] = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$h[2] = h[1] + \delta[2] = 1 + 0 = 1 \dots$$

on  $h[n] = u[n]$

## FIR vs IIR via Difference Equation

Find  $h[n]$  when  $a's = 0 \rightarrow$  Finite Impulse Response.

$$\text{Then } y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^N b_k x[n-k]$$

Find impulse response  $h[n]$

• Apply impulse to it  $x[n] = \delta[n]$

$$h[n] = \sum_{k=0}^N b_k \delta[n-k]$$

• For  $n < 0$   $\delta[n-k] = 0 \Rightarrow h[n] = 0$

•  $n > N$ ,  $\delta[n-k] = 0 \Rightarrow h[n] = 0$

$$0 \leq n \leq N, \quad h[n] = b_n$$

so 
$$h[n] = \begin{cases} b_n, & 0 \leq n \leq N \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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• If  $a's = 0$  & no feed back  $\Rightarrow$  finite output for impulse input  
- FIR system.

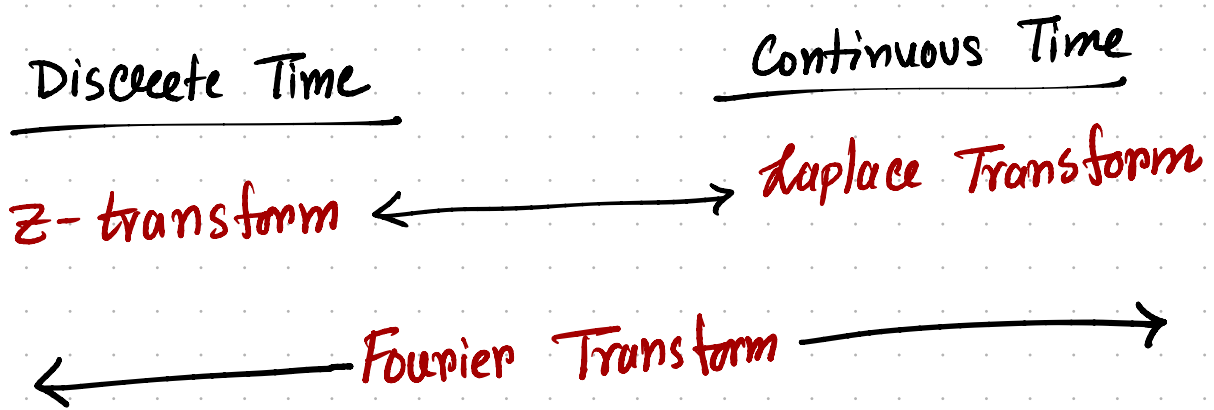
• else  $\rightarrow$  IIR system.

## Solving Difference Equation

↳ we are not going to solve in the time domain but look into the frequency domain

## # Why do the frequency transforms?

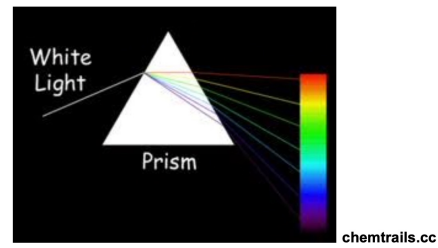
- Direct (time domain) solution to difference equation is
  - Tedious
  - Complicated when more than a few non-zero coefficients.



## Discrete Fourier Transform

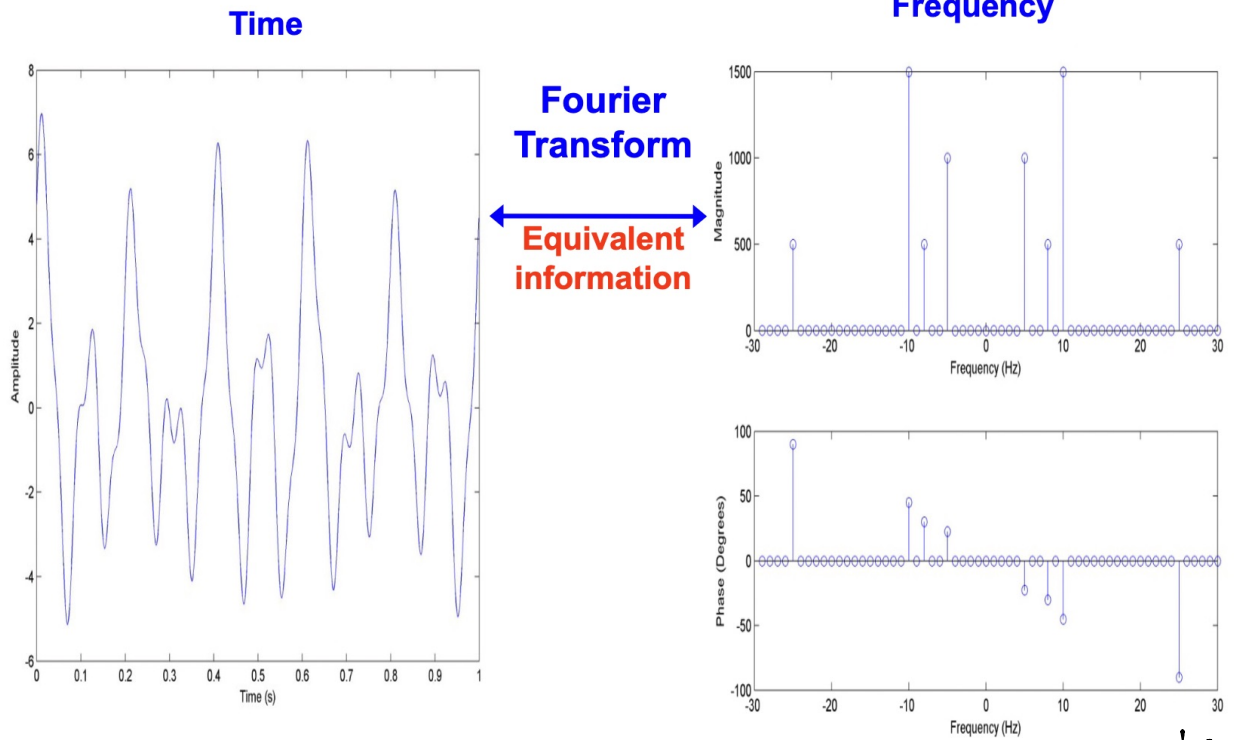
- ↳ variant of Fourier transform
- ↳ evaluated at finite number of frequencies.
- ↳ for digital system

# #Analogy of light through Prism



- Prism separates light into its component colors
  - Each color is an electromagnetic wave of distinct frequency
- Combinations of component colors give other colors
  - (100% Red) + (100% Green) = Yellow
  - (100% Red) + (50% Green) = Orange

# #Time Domain vs Frequency Domain



Time Domain

Frequency domain

- good for **localization** information occurring at specific **times**.

- good for localizing information occurring at specific **frequencies**

- No direct time localization information

- Fourier Transform is complex valued  $\rightarrow$  magnitude & phase.