

Topic 1- part 3 - “LTI systems in time domain”

Discrete Time Systems (DTS)

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LTI systems

- We will focus on: **LINEAR TIME INVARIANT (LTI) SYSTEMS**
- **LTI systems in time**
- **LTI systems in transformed domain (frequency domain etc.)**

ALL type of systems

LTI systems

In this slides, WE WILL SEE:

**HOW to express (IN the TIME DOMAIN)
the output of:**

- 1. LTI systems in (continuous) time**
- 2. LTI systems in DISCRETE time**

**HOW to express (IN the TIME DOMAIN)
the output of:**

1. LTI systems in (continuous) time

(this is just a *gentle and quick recall* since you should know these concepts from another previous course...)

HOW to express the output of LTI systems in TIME

Continuous Time - 2 WAYS:

- CONVOLUTION INTEGRAL:

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(t - \tau)h(\tau)d\tau$$

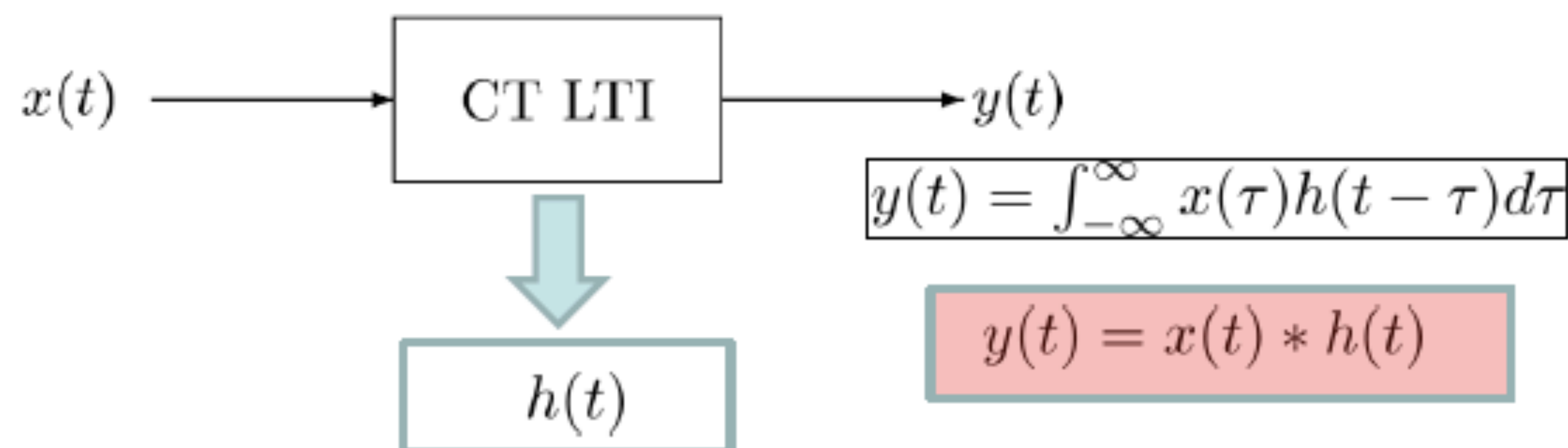
- LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS, WITH CONSTANT COEFFICIENTS AND NULL INITIAL CONDITIONS:

$$\sum_{n=0}^N a_n \frac{d^n y(t)}{dt^n} = \sum_{m=0}^M b_m \frac{d^m x(t)}{dt^m}$$

(N) Initial conditions:

$$y(0) = \left. \frac{dy(t)}{dt} \right|_{t=0^-} = \dots = \left. \frac{d^{N-1}y(t)}{dt^{N-1}} \right|_{t=0^-} = 0$$

LTI system in CT: convolution by integral



$h(t)$ = impulse response (i.e., to the Dirac delta)

$$x(t) = \delta(t) \implies y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau$$

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(t - \tau)h(\tau)d\tau$$

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau)\delta(t - \tau)d\tau = h(t)$$

$h(t)$ represents completely the LTI system

Computation of the Convolution

➤ Calculating a convolution:

- Convolution with a delta $\delta(t)$ → easy (we obtain the signal $x(t)$)
- Convolution with exponentials → easy more or less (solution: another exp.)
- Generic Convolution → more difficult

4 steps:

$$y(t) = x(t) * h(t) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau$$

$$h(\tau) \xrightarrow{\text{Invert}} h(-\tau) \xrightarrow{\text{move}} h(t - \tau)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Multiply}} x(\tau)h(t - \tau) \xrightarrow{\text{Integrate}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau$$

Properties and examples of convolution

- Neutral Element is the **unit impulse (Dirac Delta)**: $\delta(t)$

$$x(t) * \delta(t) = x(t) \implies x(t) * \delta(t - t_0) = x(t - t_0)$$

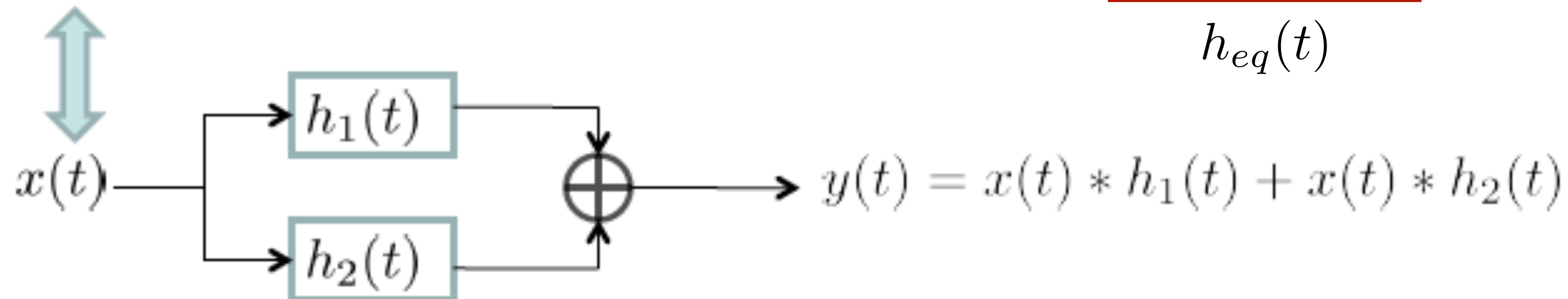
- Commutative:

$$x(t) * h(t) = h(t) * x(t)$$

$$x(t) \longrightarrow \boxed{h(t)} \longrightarrow y(t) \iff h(t) \longrightarrow \boxed{x(t)} \longrightarrow y(t)$$

- Distributive:

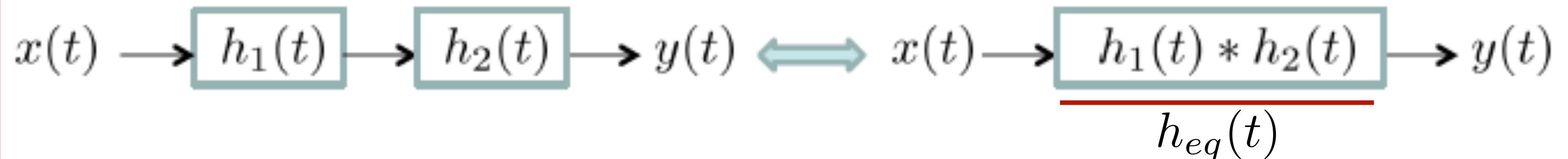
$$x(t) \longrightarrow \boxed{h_1(t) + h_2(t)} \longrightarrow y(t) = x(t) * \underbrace{[h_1(t) + h_2(t)]}_{h_{eq}(t)}$$



Properties and examples of convolution

➤ Associative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} y(t) = [x(t) * h_1(t)] * h_2(t) & \longleftrightarrow & y(t) = x(t) * [h_1(t) * h_2(t)] \\ \updownarrow & \text{X} & \updownarrow \\ y(t) = x(t) * [h_2(t) * h_1(t)] & \longleftrightarrow & y(t) = [x(t) * h_2(t)] * h_1(t) \end{array}$$



Properties of LTI systems = become properties about $h(t)$

- Causality:

$$h(t) = 0, \quad \forall t < 0$$

- Stability:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(\tau)| d\tau < \infty \rightarrow h(t)$$

- Without memory:

$$h(t) = 0, \quad \forall t \neq 0 \rightarrow y(t) = cte.x(t)$$

**HOW to express (IN the TIME DOMAIN)
the output of:**

2. LTI systems in DISCRETE time

HOW to express the output of LTI systems in TIME

DISCRETE Time - THIS IS A SPOILER !!

- CONVOLUTION SUM:

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

- LINEAR DIFFERENCE EQUATIONS, WITH CONSTANT COEFFICIENTS AND NULL INITIAL CONDITIONS:

$$\sum_{i=0}^L b_i y[n-i] = \sum_{r=0}^R c_r x[n-r]$$

$$n \geq 0$$

$$n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$



With L-INITIAL CONDITIONS (they are required)

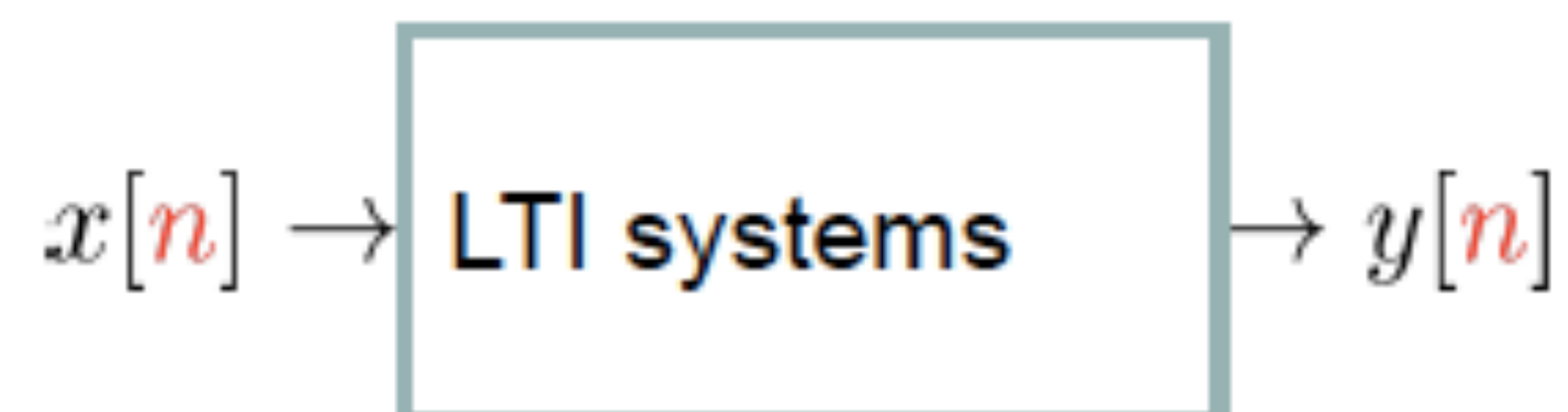
$$y[-1], y[-2], \dots, y[-L]$$

Linear Difference Equations

- ❑ A LTI systems in DT can be expressed using linear difference equations with constant coefficients. (and null initial conditions)
- ❑ Definition:
$$y[n] = \sum_{p=1}^P a_p y[n-p] + \sum_{m=0}^M b_m x[n-m]$$
- ❑ They are ARMA (autoregressive-moving average) filters
- ❑ If all $a_p=0 \rightarrow$ FIR (FINITE IMPULSE RESPONSE) filters
- ❑ If all $b_m=0$ except $b_0 \rightarrow$ IIR (INFINITE IMPULSE RESPONSE) filters

Definition of LTI systems in DT

- We focus on linear and invariant systems in DT:



$$\text{If: } x[n] \rightarrow y[n]$$

$$\text{Then: } x[n - n_0] \rightarrow y[n - n_0]$$

$$\text{If: } x_1[n] \rightarrow y_1[n] \quad x_2[n] \rightarrow y_2[n]$$

$$\text{Then: } ax_1[n] + bx_2[n] \rightarrow ay_1[n] + by_2[n]$$

Response to the impulse in DT

- Impulso response:



For this reason, we call $h[n]$ “impulse response”.

- For the time invariance:

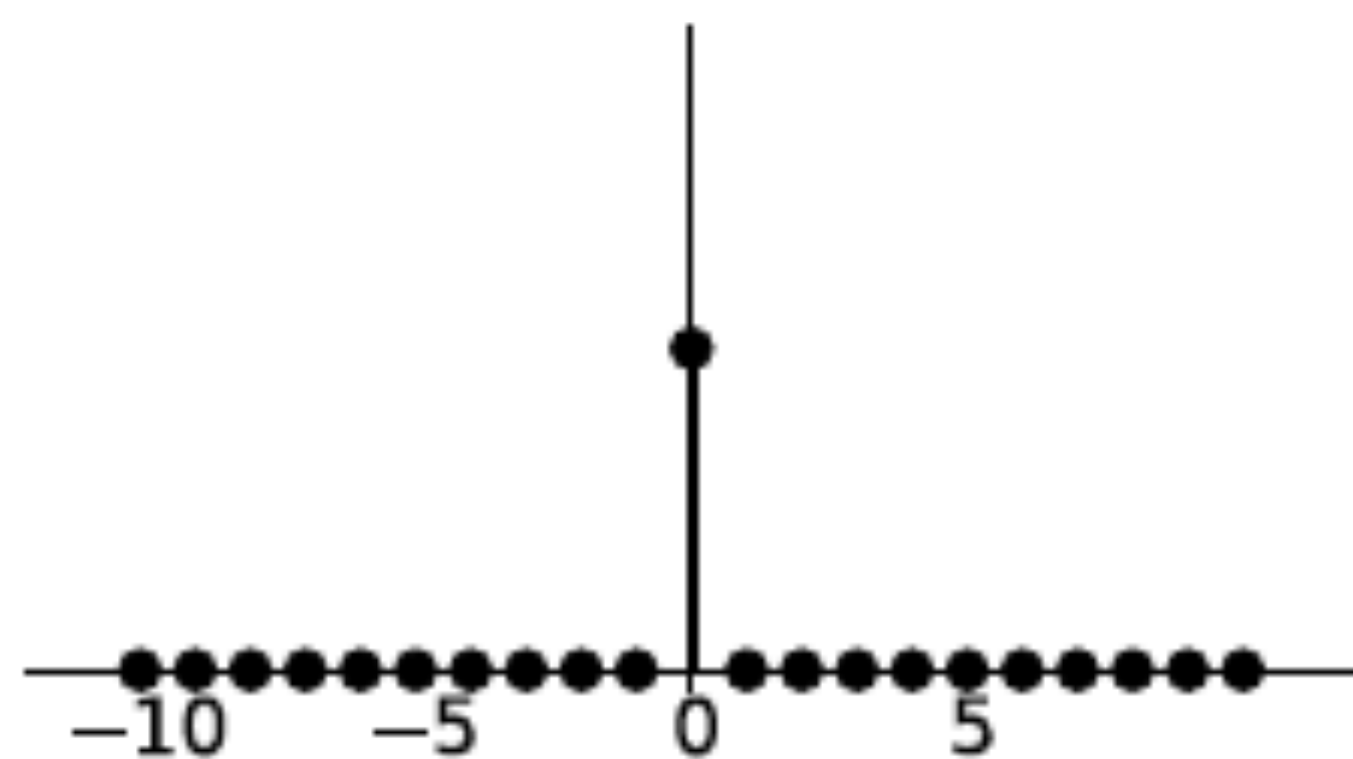


- For the linearity:

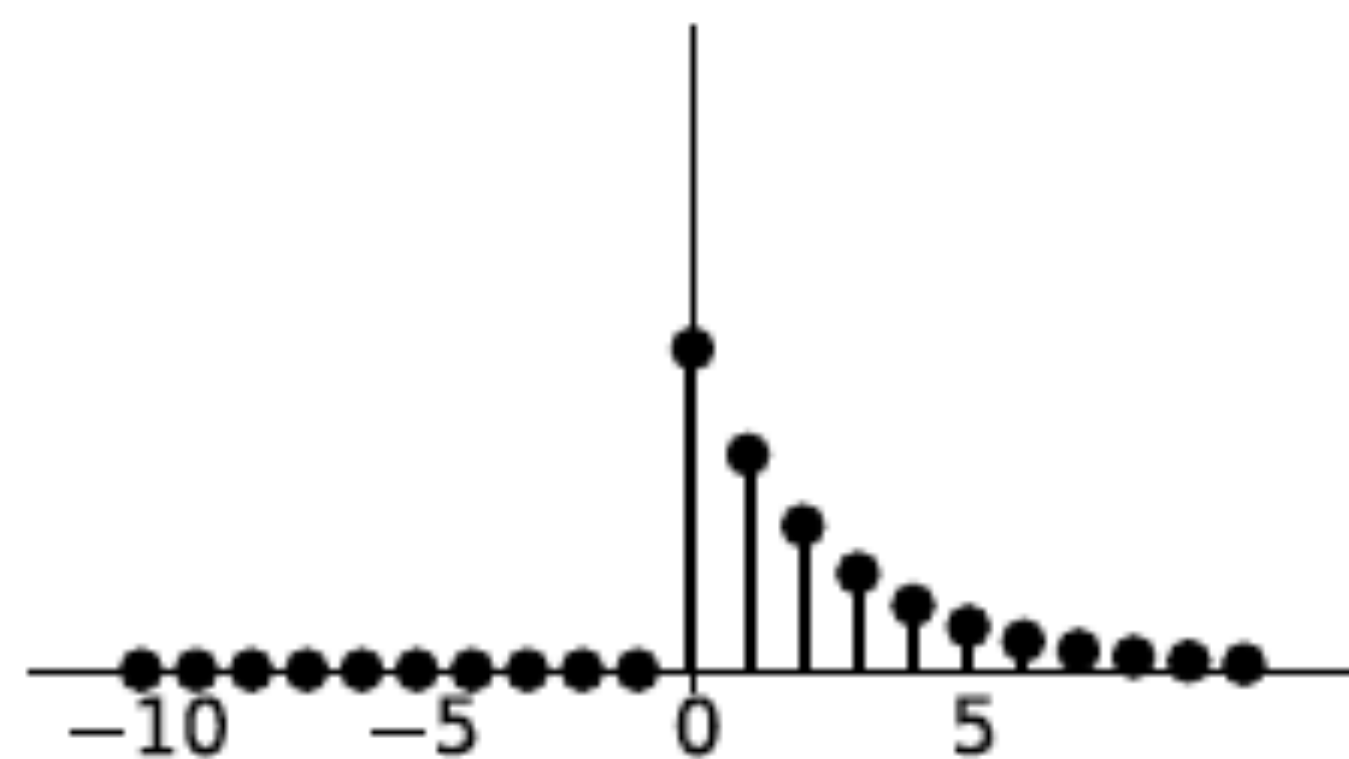


Response to the impulse in DT

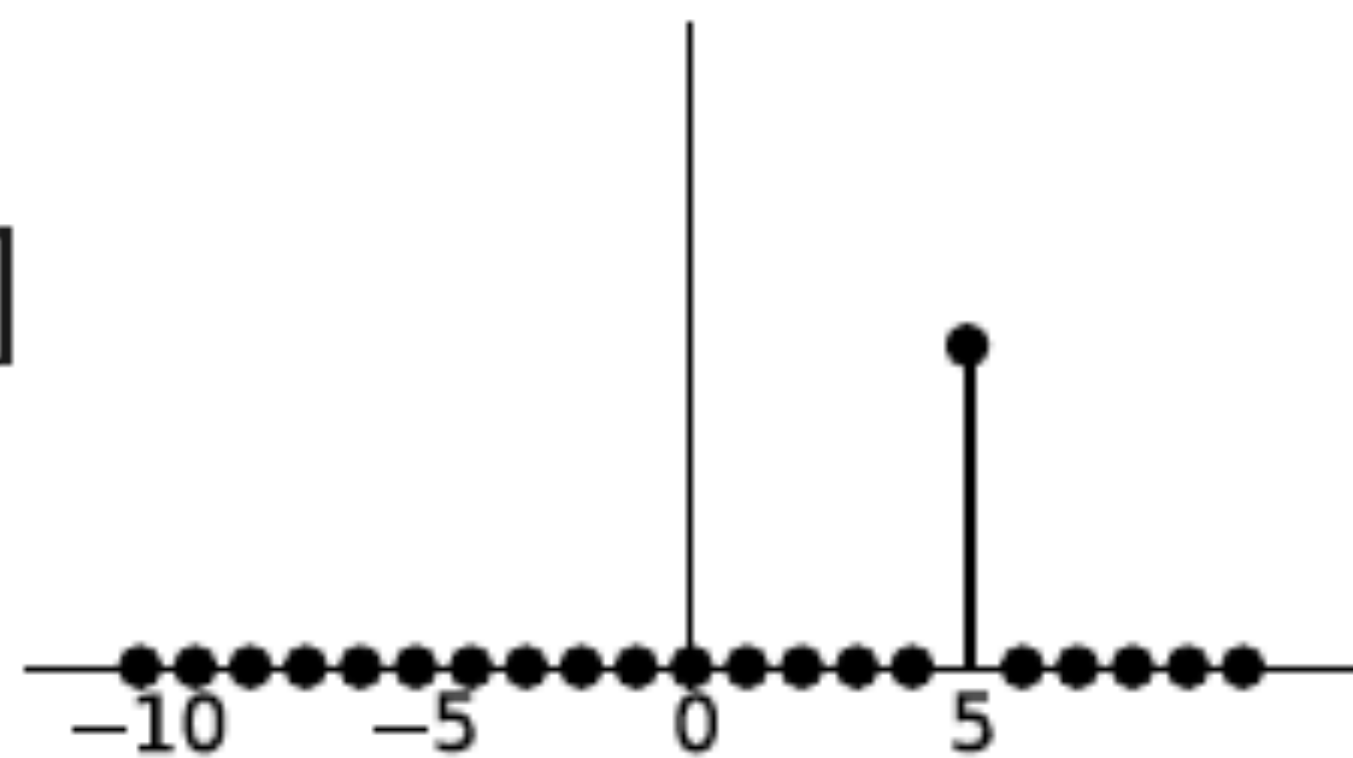
$\delta[n]$



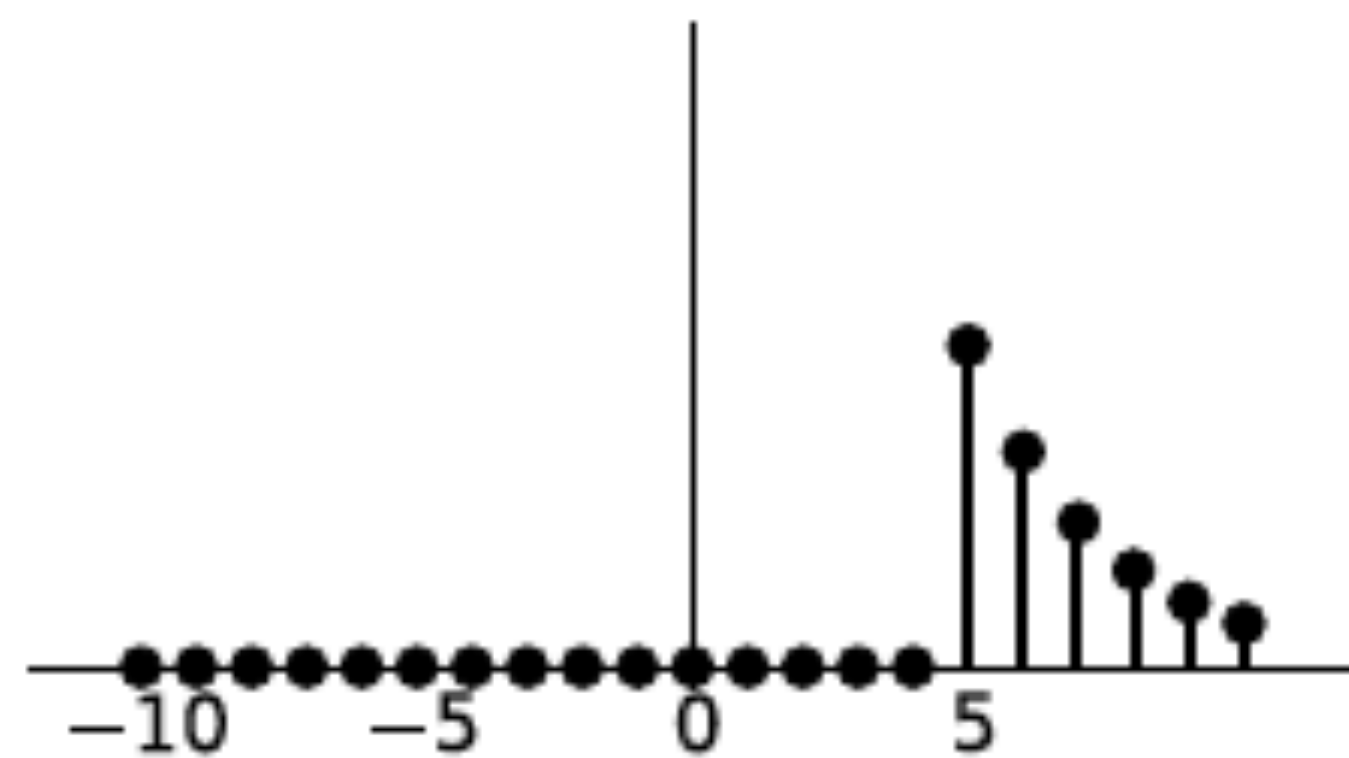
$h[n]$



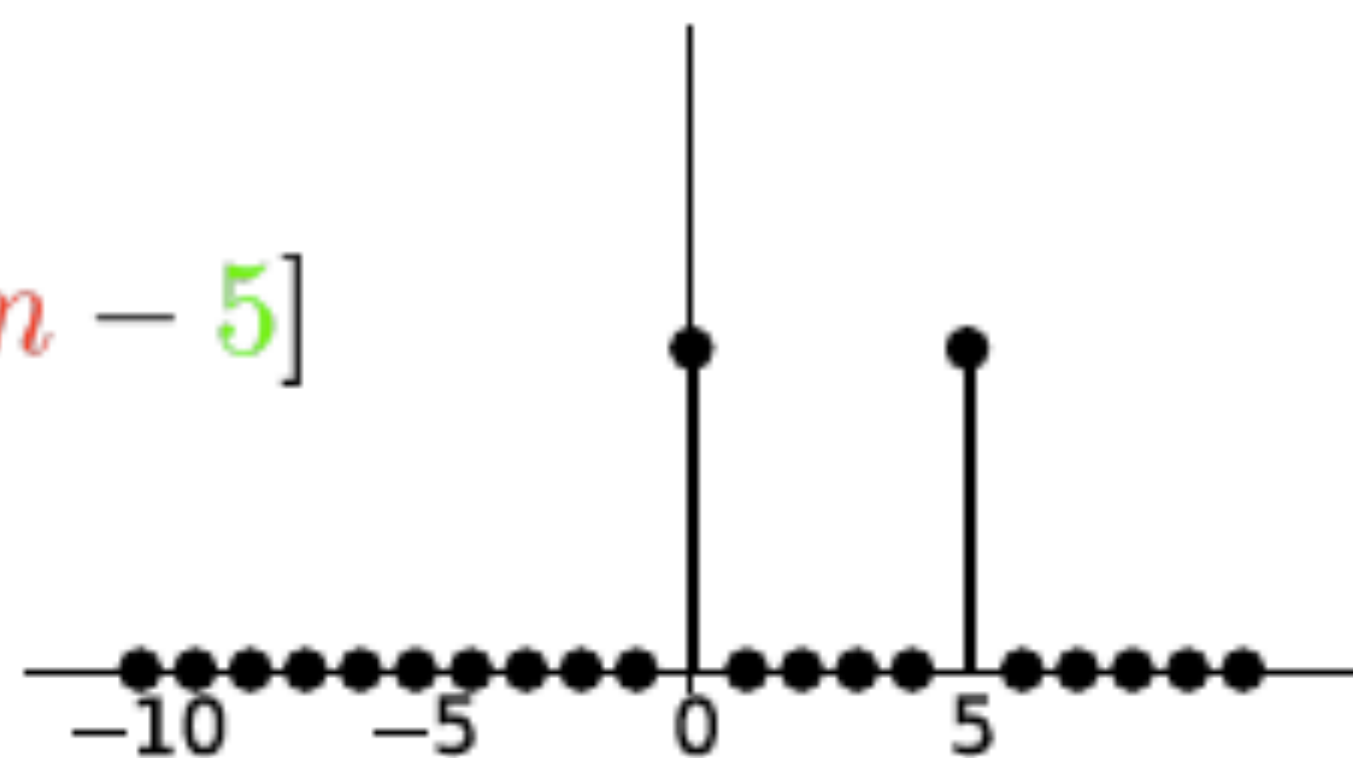
$\delta[n - 5]$



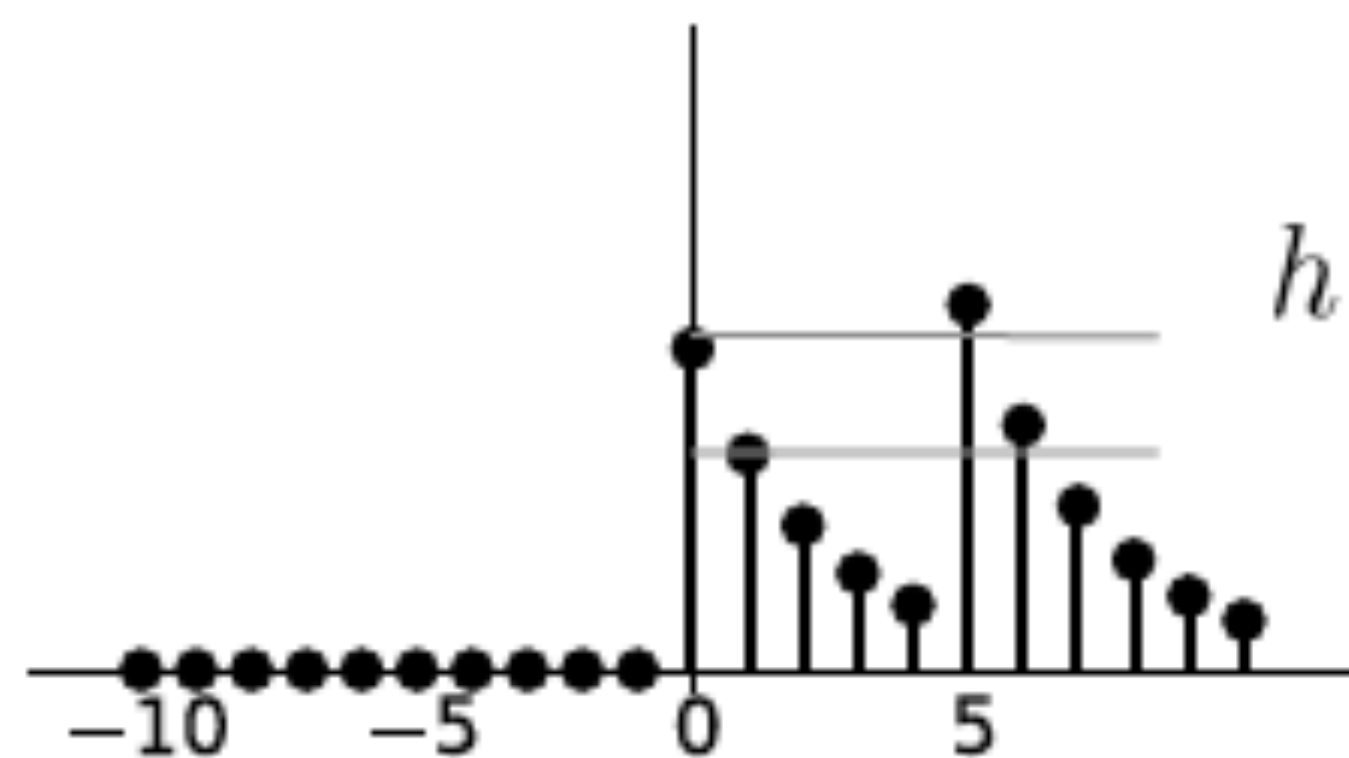
$h[n - 5]$



$\delta[n] + \delta[n - 5]$



$h[n] + h[n - 5]$



Response to the impulse in DT

- Response to train of deltas → sum of response to the impulse (for the linearity)

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k \delta[n - k] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{SLTI}} \rightarrow \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k h[n - k]$$

- Since $x[n]$ can be expressed as a train of deltas, then:

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] \delta[n - k] \rightarrow \boxed{\text{SLTI}} \rightarrow \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] h[n - k]$$

Convolution in DT

- Hence the output $y[n]$ can be obtained as the convolution of $h[n]$ with $x[n]$:

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

- Convolution of two signals in DT; notation:

$$x_1[n] * x_2[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x_1[k]x_2[n-k]$$

Computing of the convolution

➤ For any time instant n : (practical consideration)

1) Express in the domain k :

$$h[k]$$

2) Invert:

$$h[-k]$$

3) Move n units:

$$h[n - k]$$

4) Multiply:

$$x[k]h[n - k]$$

5) Sum:

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

$$x[k]$$

Alternative way of computing a convolution

Alternative way:

- 1) We can express one signal as sum of deltas
- 2) Then we make the convolution with the other signal above in step 1)
- 3) We sum all the signals obtained in step 2)

In the example on the right →
We can express $x[n]$ as:

$$x[n] = 0.5\delta[n] + 2\delta[n-1]$$

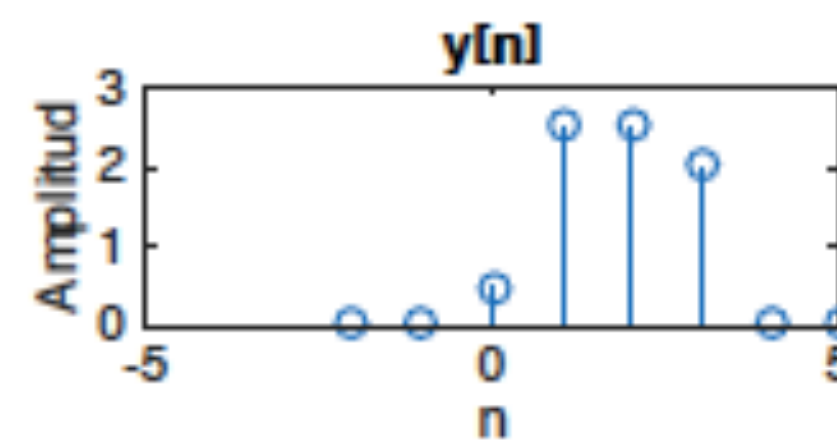
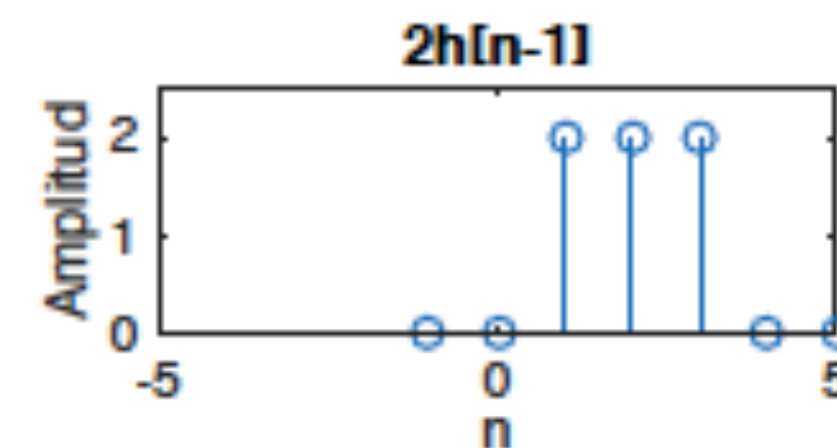
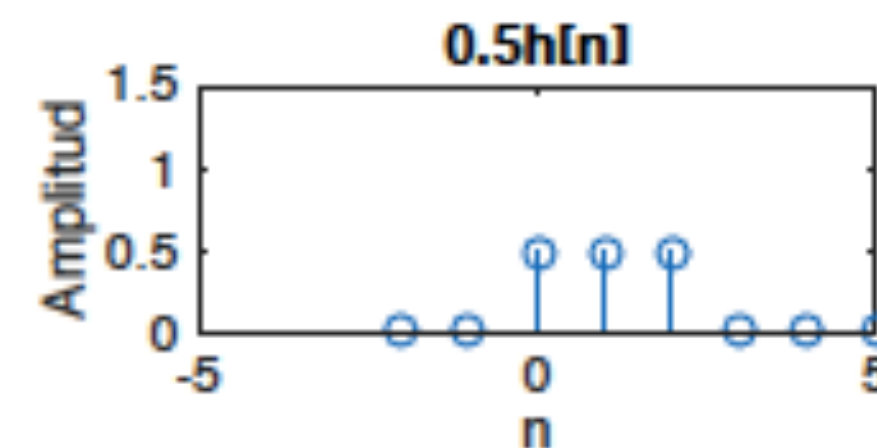
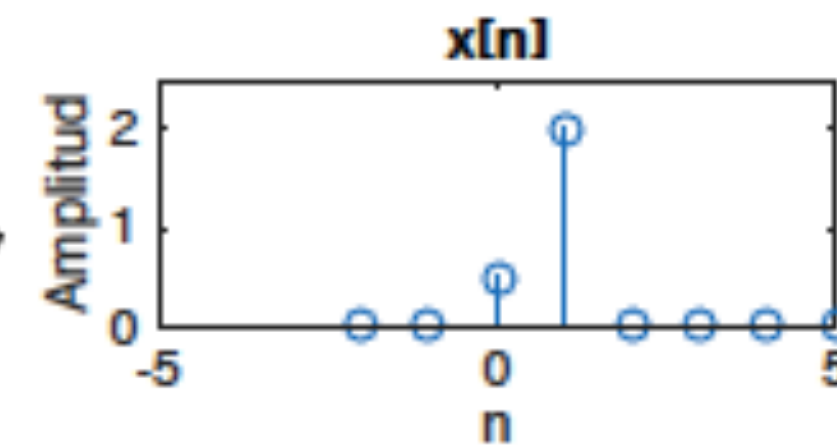
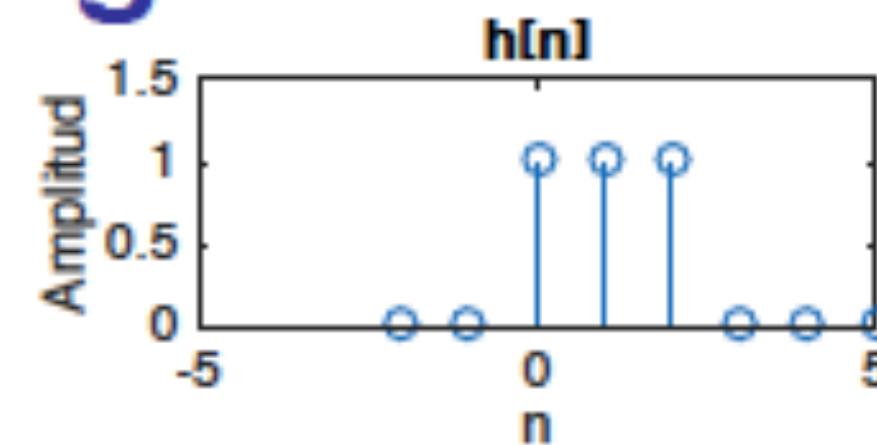
$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n] = 0.5h[n] + 2h[n-1]$$

Length of the convolution is 4:

Start: sum of the starts ($0+0=0$)

End: sum of the ends ($2+1=3$)

(considering non-zero samples)



Length of the convolution is $N+M-1$

Properties of LTI systems in DT

- The response to the impulse $h[n]$ provides a complete characterization of the LTI system.
- See below:

- Causality: $h[n] = 0, \forall n < 0$

- Stability: $\sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| < \infty$

- Memory: $h[n] = 0, \forall n \neq 0$

Some additional properties of the LTI systems can be expressed as conditions over $h[n]$

Properties of the LTI systems in DT

- Distributive property, parallel systems:

$$y[n] = x[n] * \underbrace{[h_1[n] + h_2[n]]}_{h_{eq}(t)} = x[n] * h_1[n] + x[n] * h_2[n]$$

- Associative property, systems in series:

$$y[n] = x[n] * h_1[n] * h_2[n] = x[n] * \underbrace{h_2[n] * h_1[n]}_{h_{eq}(t)}$$

Questions?