

ESE 531: Digital Signal Processing

Week 2:

Lecture 3: January 24, 2021

Discrete Time Signals and Systems, Pt 2



Lecture Outline

- ❑ Discrete Time Systems
- ❑ System Properties
- ❑ LTI Systems
- ❑ Difference Equations

Discrete-Time Systems

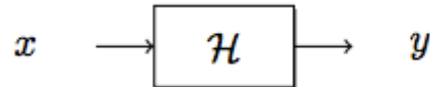


Discrete Time Systems

DEFINITION

A discrete-time **system** \mathcal{H} is a transformation (a rule or formula) that maps a discrete-time input signal x into a discrete-time output signal y

$$y = \mathcal{H}\{x\}$$



- ❑ Systems manipulate the information in signals
- ❑ Examples
 - Speech recognition system that converts acoustic waves into text
 - Radar system transforms radar pulse into position and velocity
 - fMRI system transform frequency into images of brain activity
 - Moving average system smooths out the day-to-day variability in a stock price



System Properties

- ❑ Causality
 - $y[n]$ only depends on $x[m]$ for $m \leq n$
- ❑ Linearity
 - Scaled sum of arbitrary inputs results in output that is a scaled sum of corresponding outputs
 - $Ax_1[n] + Bx_2[n] \rightarrow Ay_1[n] + By_2[n]$
- ❑ Memoryless
 - $y[n]$ depends only on $x[n]$
- ❑ Time Invariance
 - Shifted input results in shifted output
 - $x[n-q] \rightarrow y[n-q]$
- ❑ BIBO Stability
 - A bounded input results in a bounded output (ie. max signal value exists for output if max)



Examples

□ Causal? Linear? Time-invariant? Memoryless?
BIBO Stable?

□ Time Shift:


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

□ Accumulator:

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

□ Compressor ($M > 1$):

$$y[n] = x[Mn]$$



Non-Linear System Example

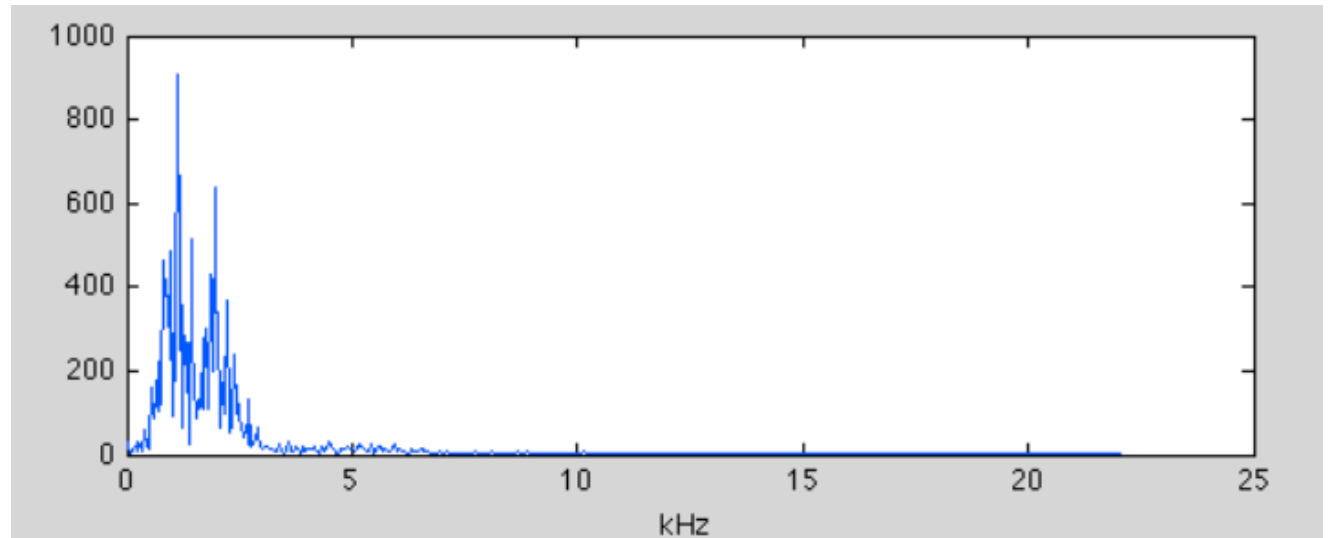
□ Median Filter

- $y[n] = \text{MED}\{x[n-k], \dots, x[n+k]\}$
- Let $k=1$
- $y[n] = \text{MED}\{x[n-1], x[n], x[n+1]\}$



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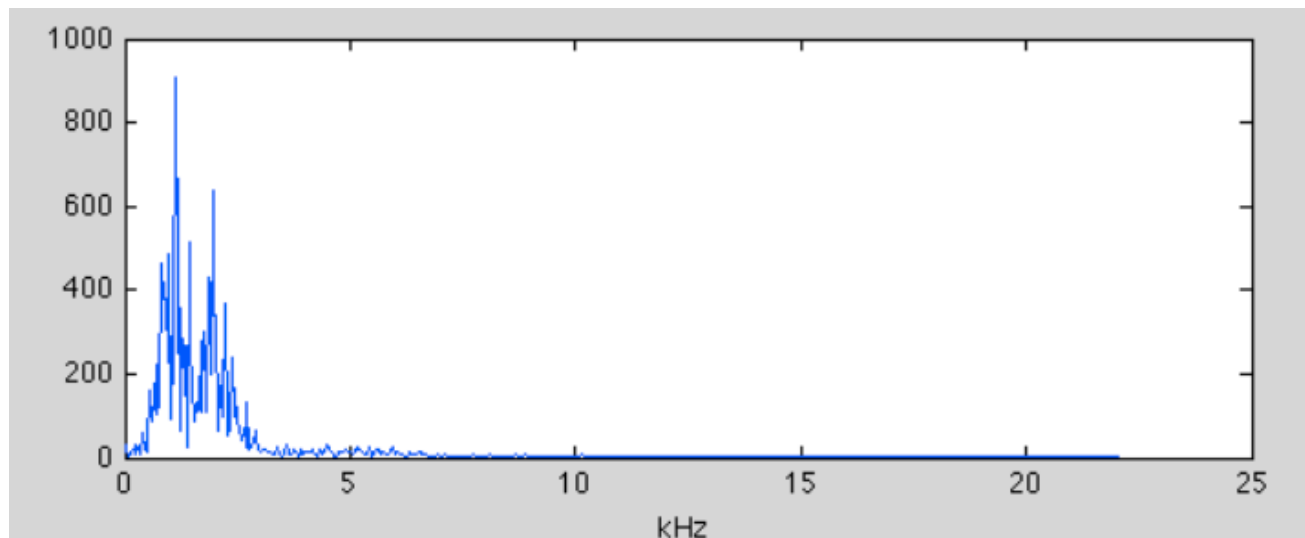
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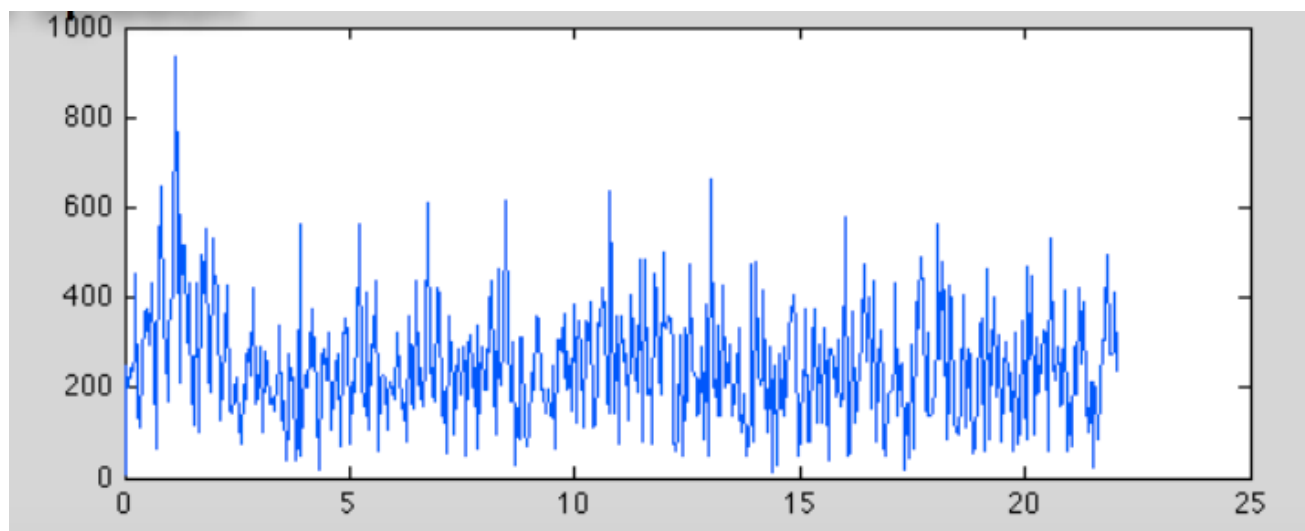


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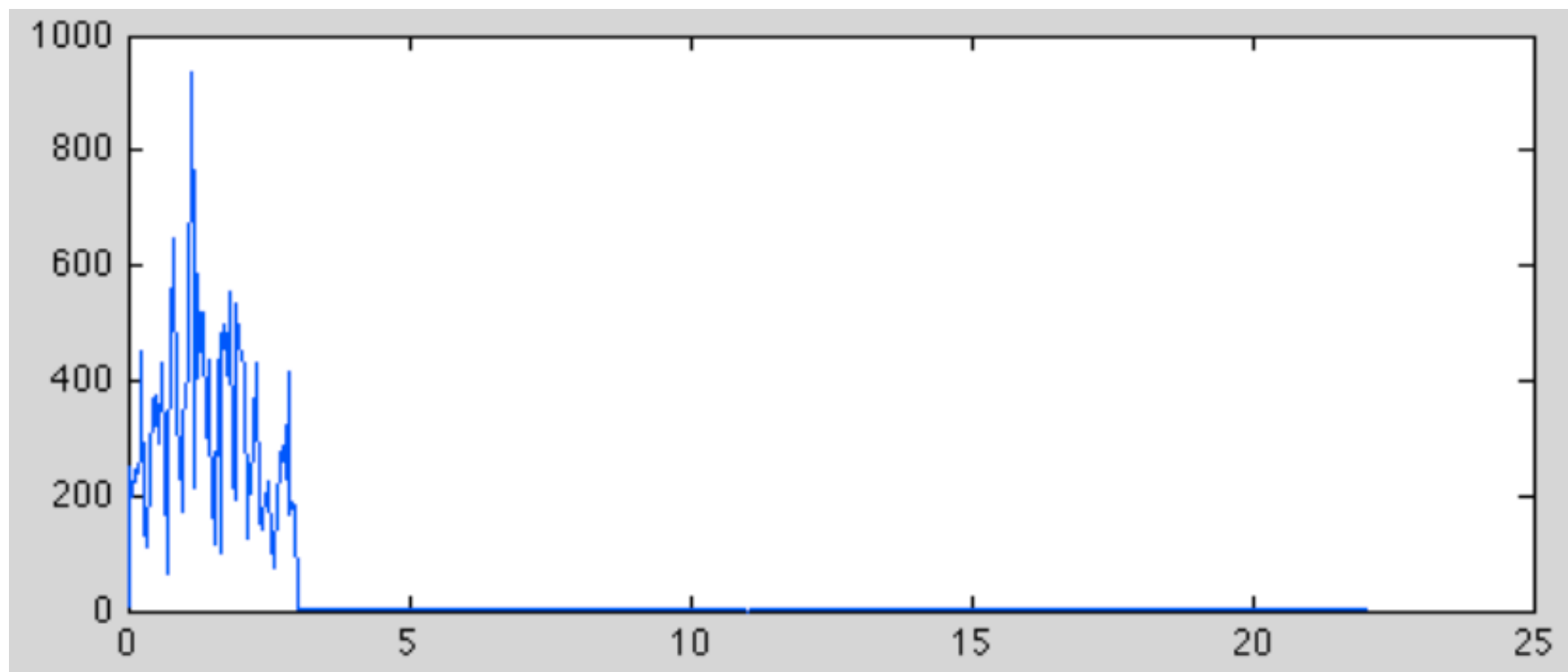


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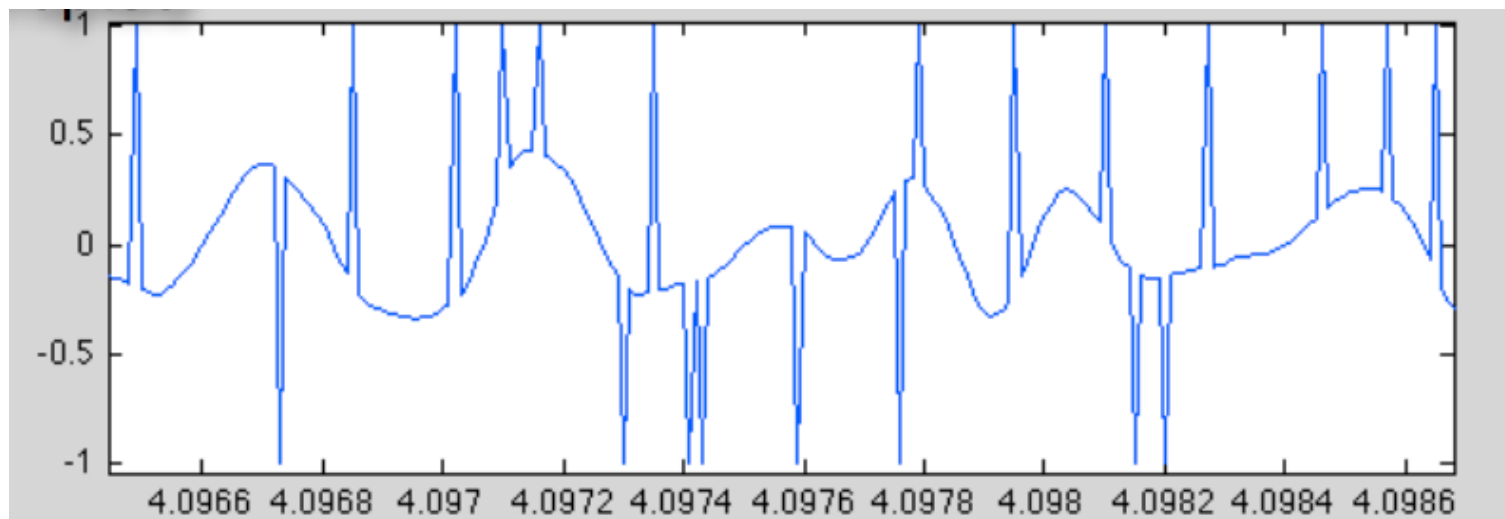
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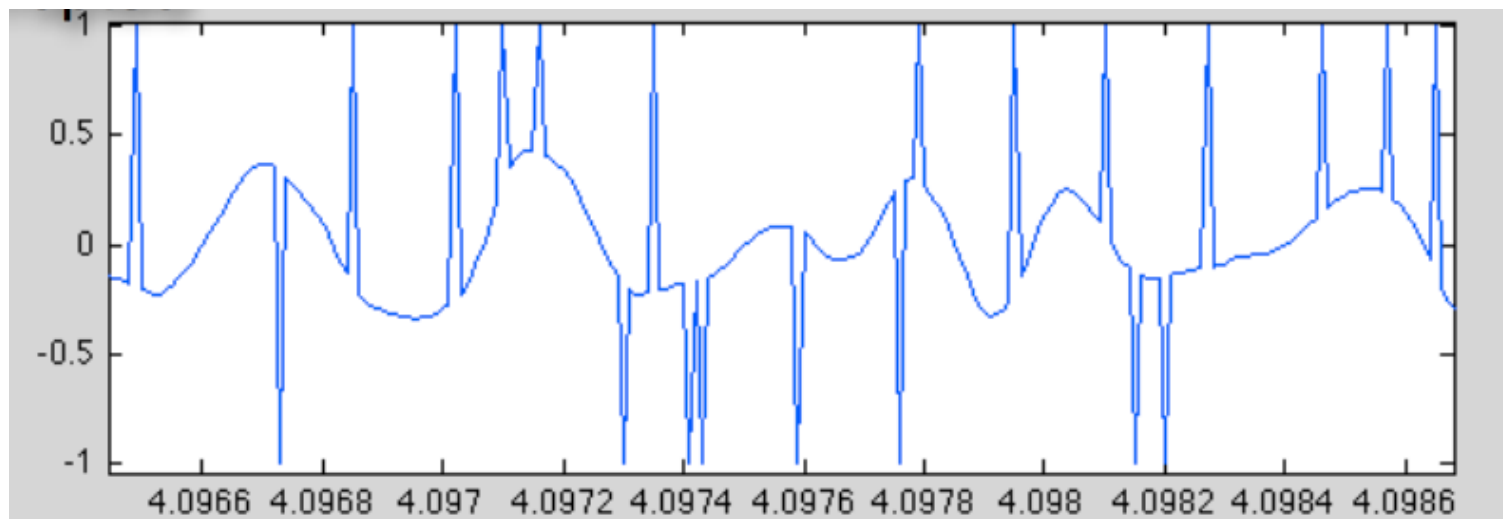
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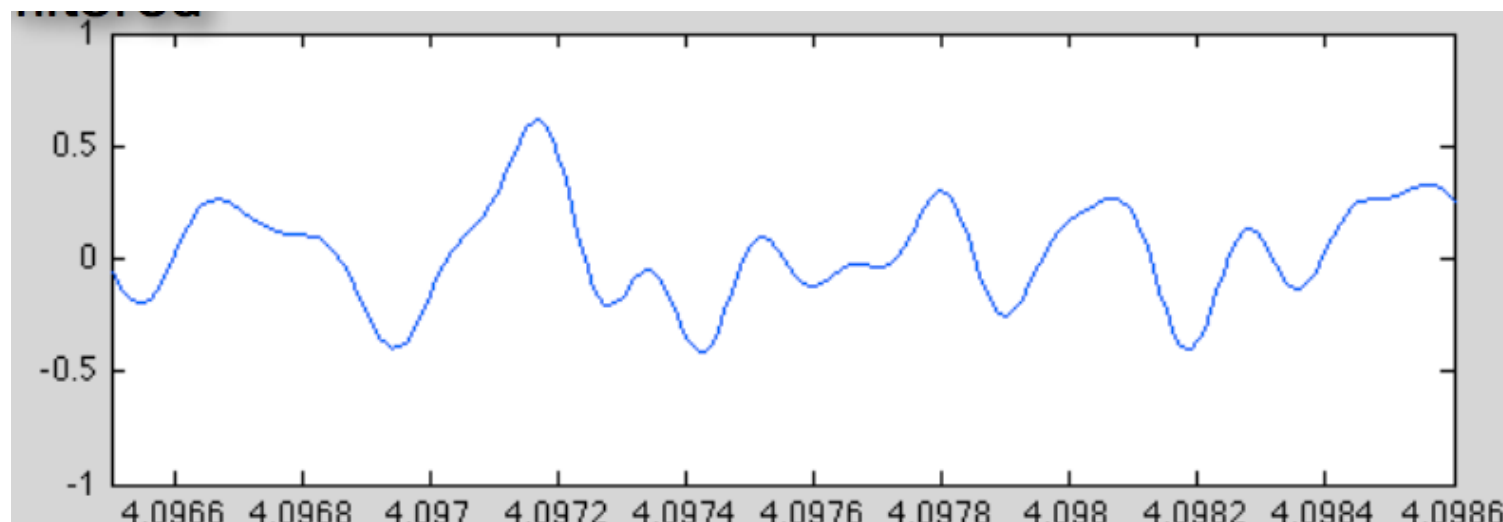


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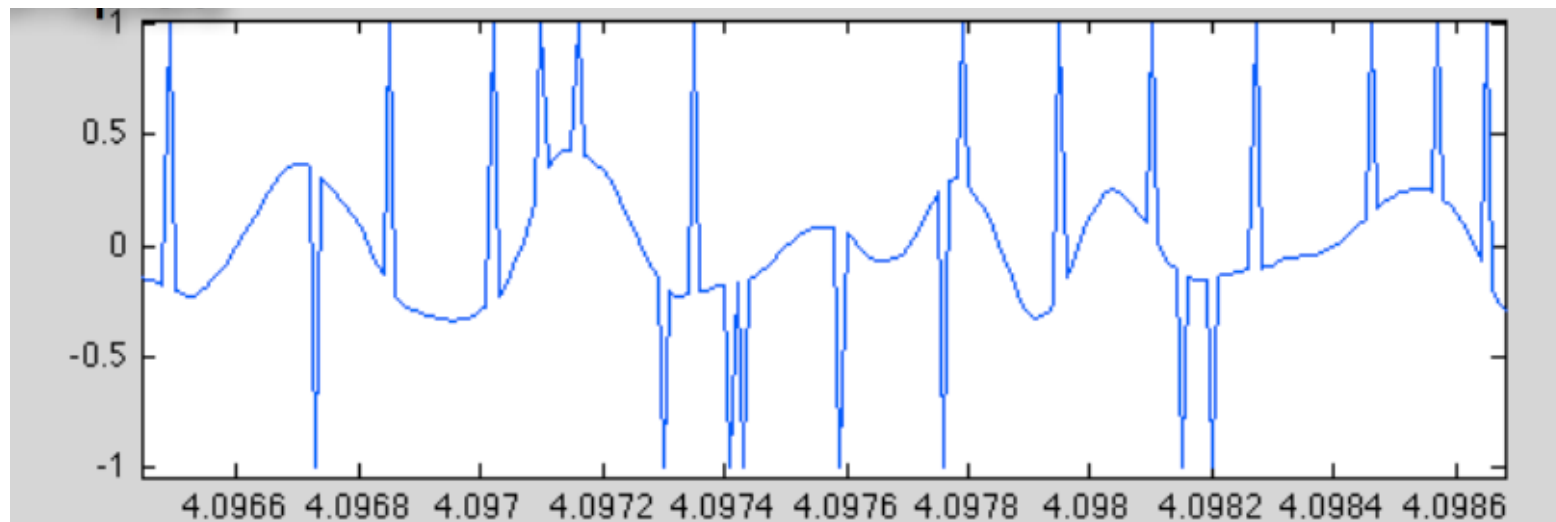
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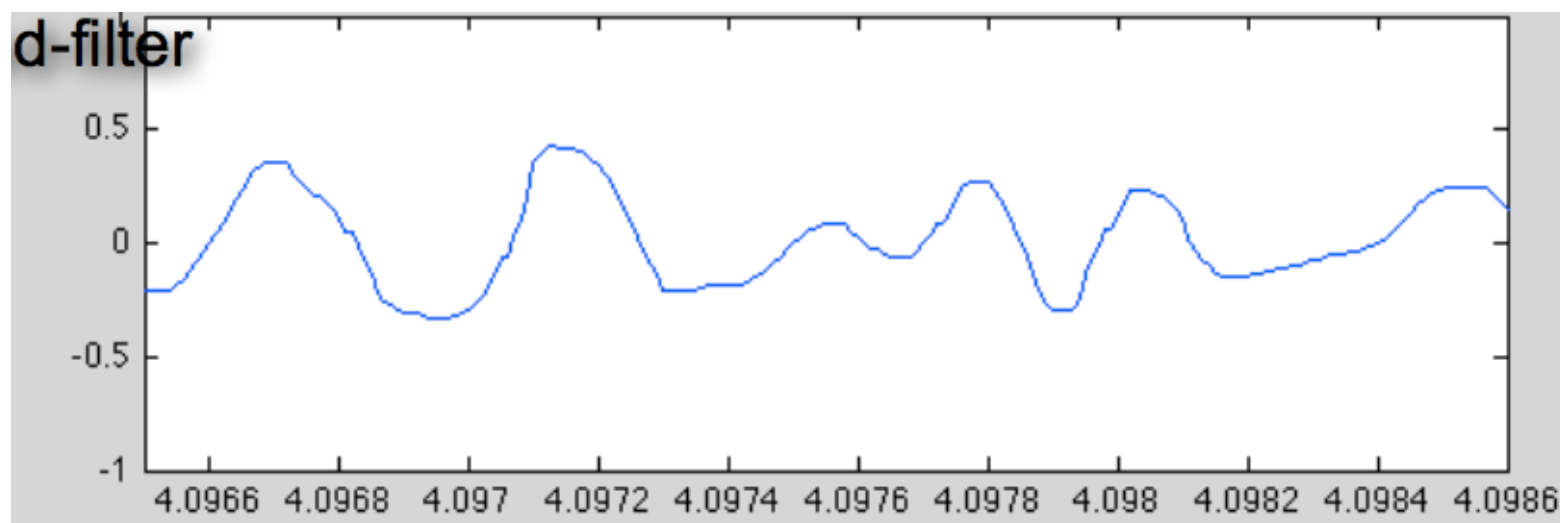


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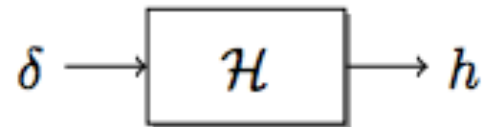
LTI Systems

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DEFINITION

A system \mathcal{H} is **linear time-invariant** (LTI) if it is both linear and time-invariant

- LTI system can be completely characterized by its impulse response



- Then the output for an arbitrary input is a sum of weighted, delay impulse responses

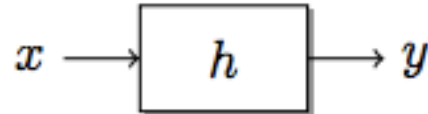
A block diagram showing an arbitrary input signal x entering a rectangular block labeled h . The output of the block is y .

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

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



Convolution



- Convolution formula:

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- Convolution method:

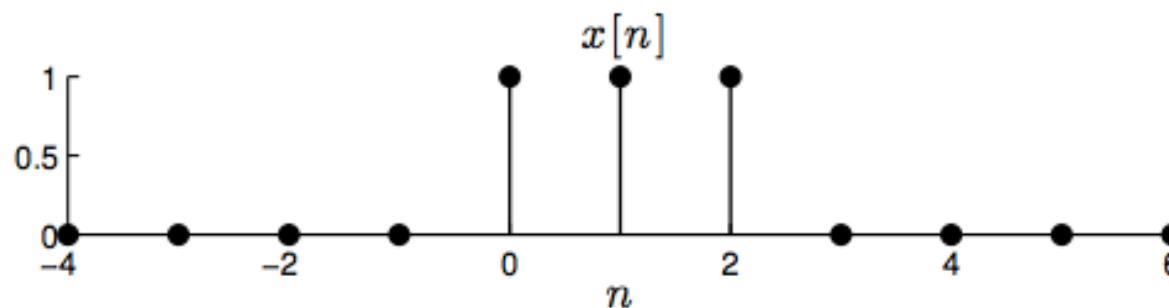
- 1) Time reverse the impulse response and shift it n time steps to the right
- 2) Compute the inner product between the shifted impulse response and the input vector
- Repeat for every n



Convolution Example

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

- Convolve a unit pulse with itself



Convolution is Commutative

- Convolution is commutative:

$$x * h = h * x$$

- These block diagrams are equivalent

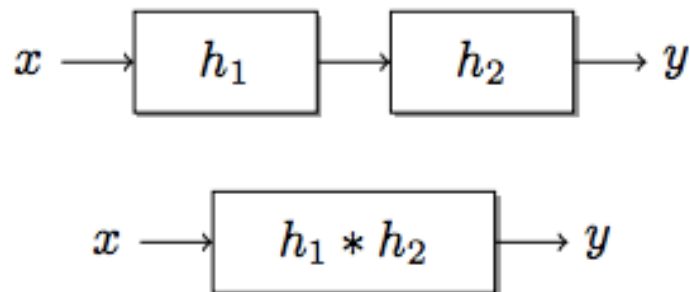


- Implication: pick either h or x to flip and shift when convolving



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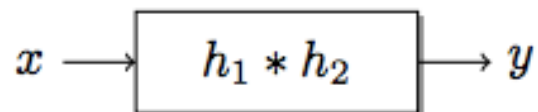
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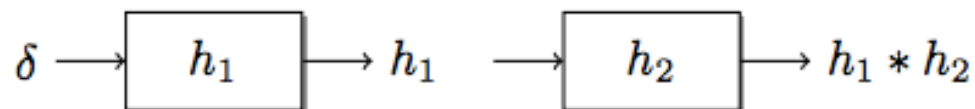


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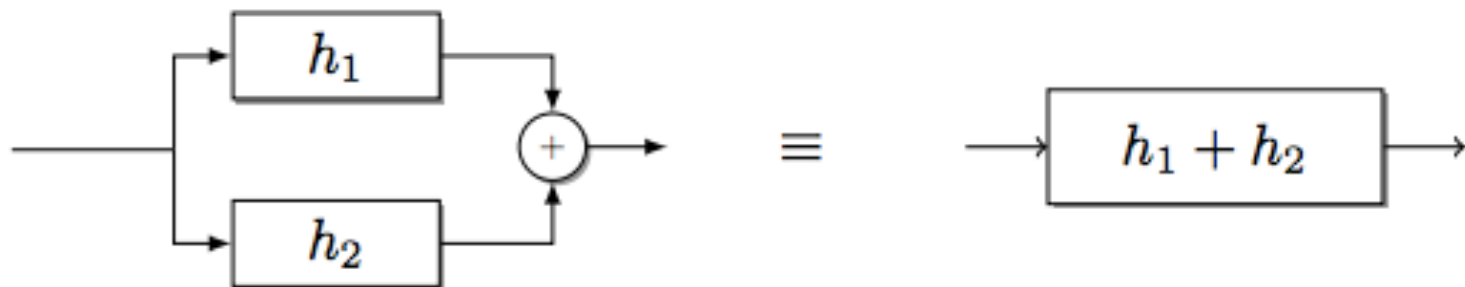
- Proof by picture





LTI Systems in Parallel

- Impulse response of the parallel connection of two LTI systems:



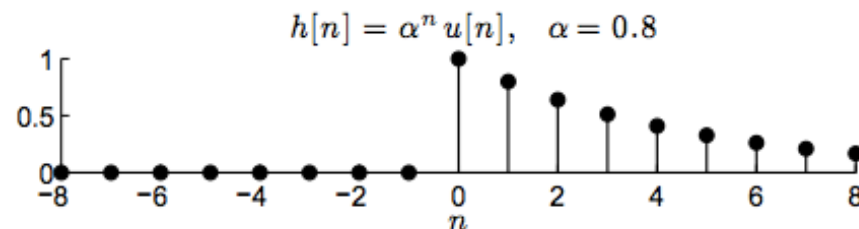
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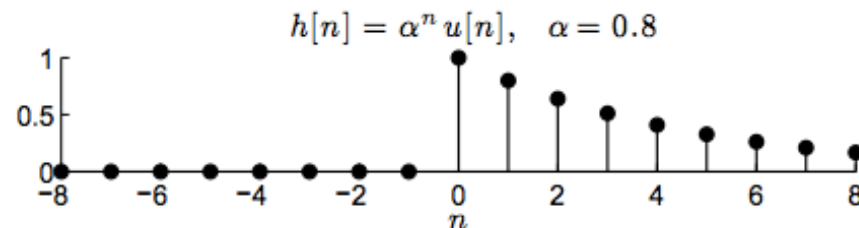
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- To prove, note that the convolution does not look into the future if the impulse response is causal

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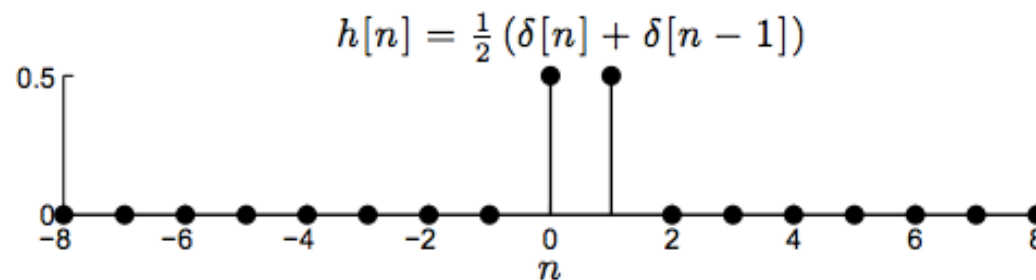
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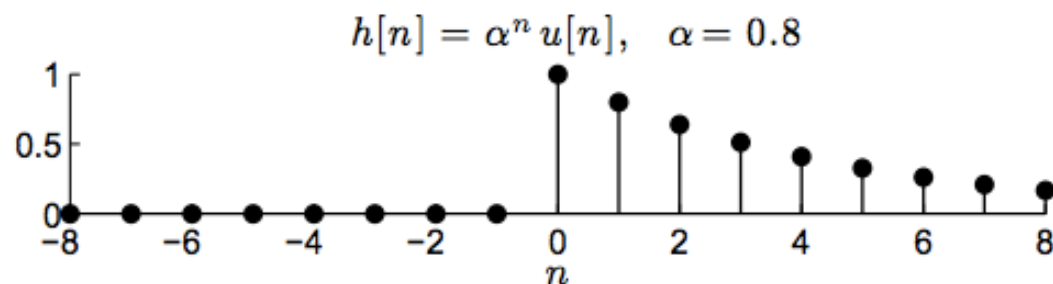
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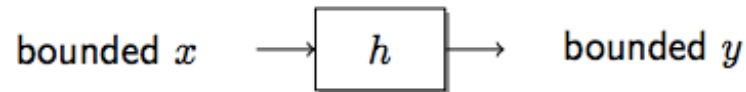
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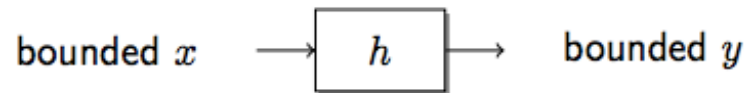
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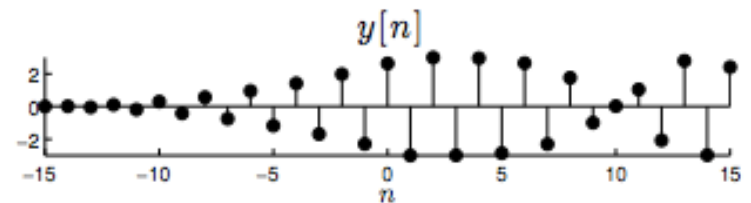
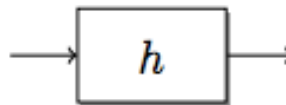
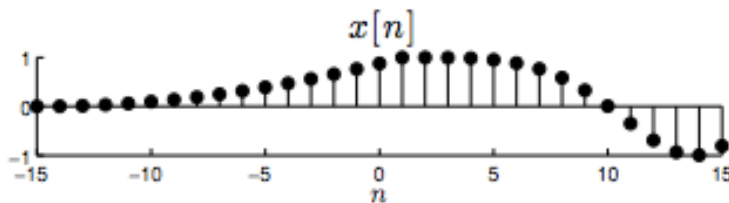


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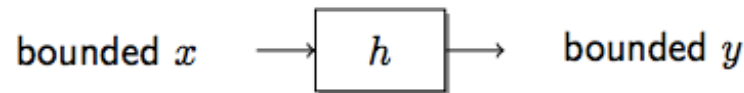
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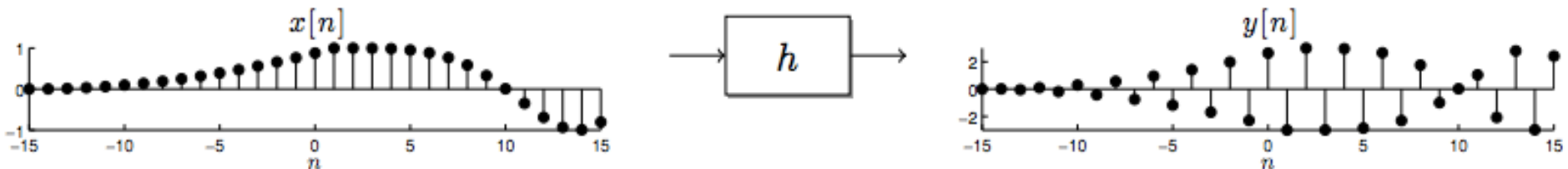
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$$\|h\|_1 = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| < \infty$$



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- Compute a bound on $|y[n]|$ using the convolution of x and h and the bounds A and B

$$\begin{aligned} |y[n]| &= \left| \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} h[n-m] x[m] \right| \leq \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n-m]| |x[m]| \\ &< \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n-m]| A = A \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| = AB = C < \infty \end{aligned}$$

- Since $|y[n]| < C < \infty$ for all n , $\|y\|_\infty < \infty$ ✓

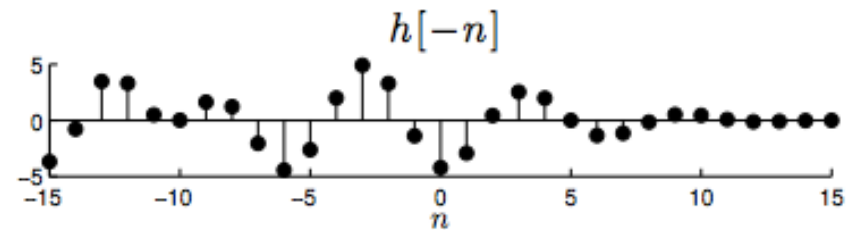
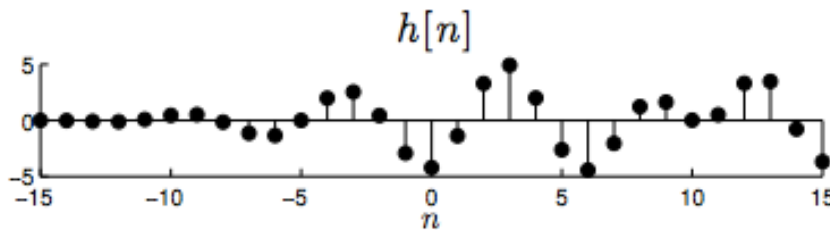


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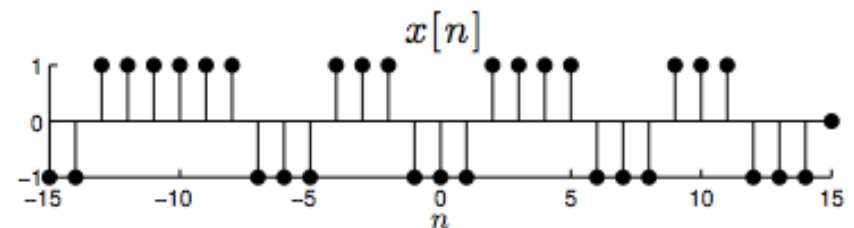
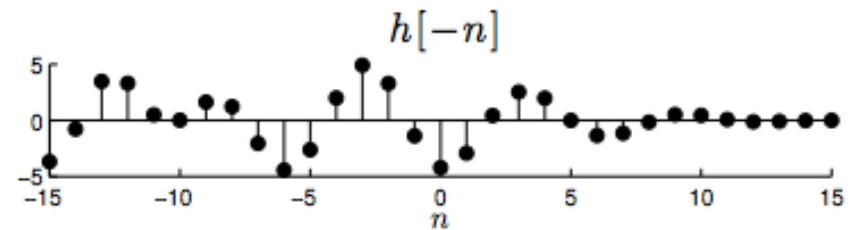
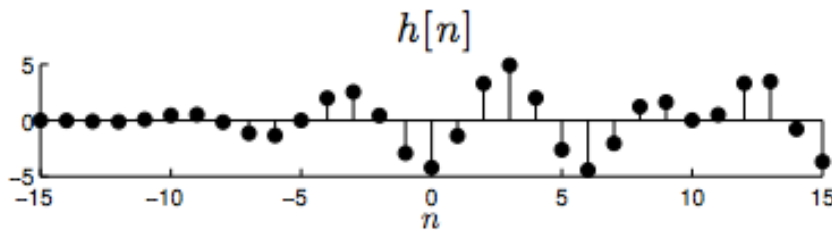
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$$\begin{aligned} y[0] &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} h[0-m] x[m] = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} h[-m] \operatorname{sgn}(h[-m]) \\ &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[-m]| = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| = \infty \end{aligned}$$

- Thus y is not bounded while x is bounded, so the system is not BIBO stable

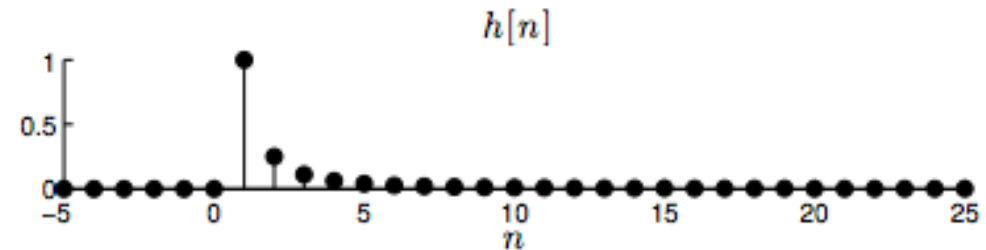
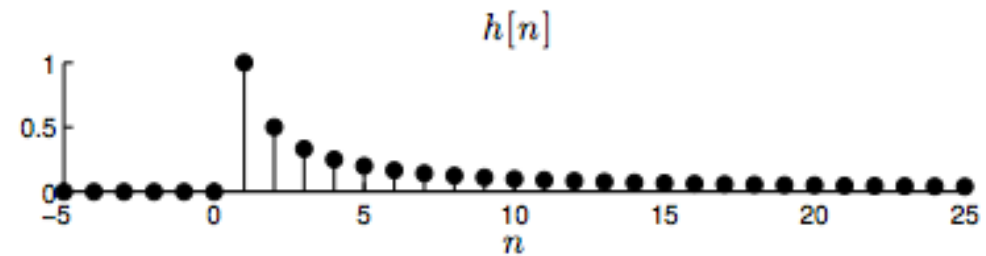
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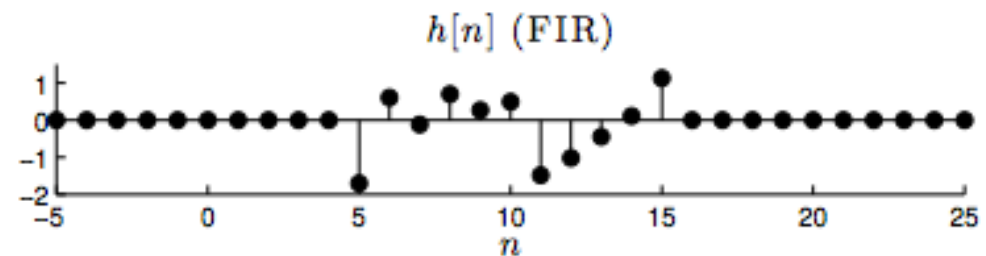
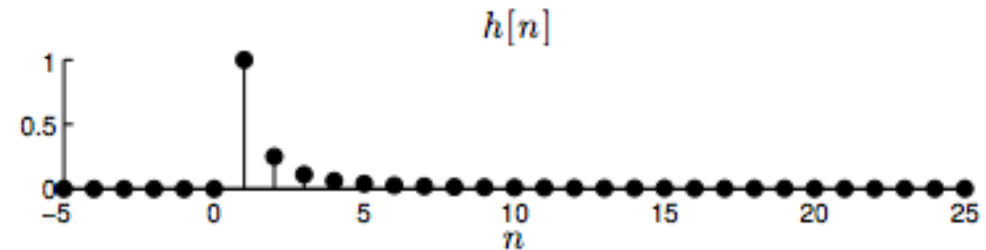
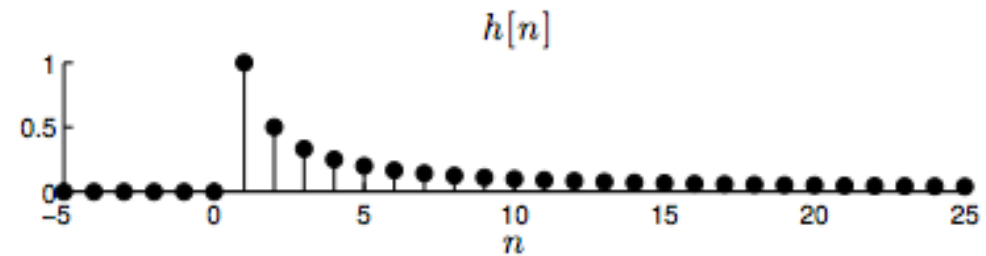
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Example: h FIR \Rightarrow BIBO





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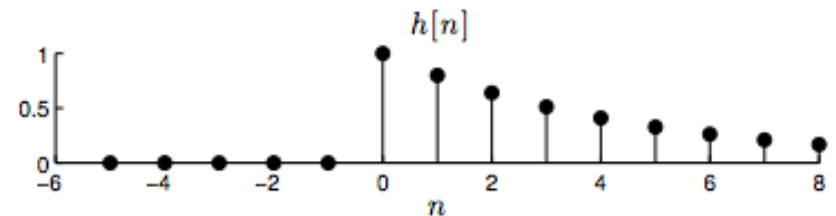


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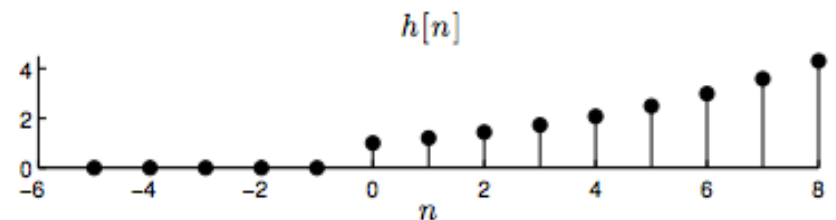
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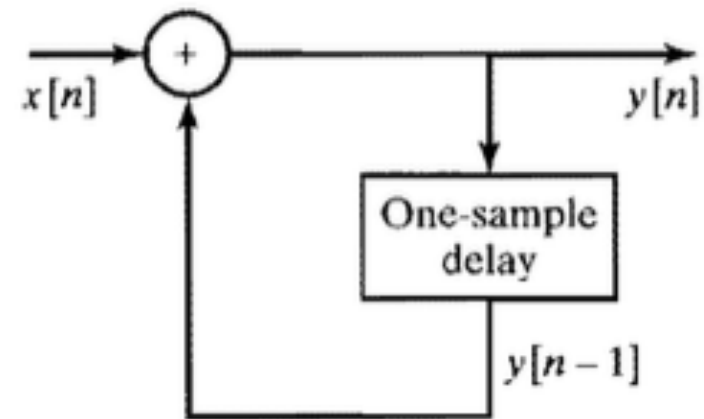
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Example: Difference Equation

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□ Let $M_1=0$ (i.e. system is causal)

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Big Ideas

- ❑ LTI Systems are a special class of systems with significant signal processing applications
 - Can be characterized by the impulse response
- ❑ LTI System Properties
 - Causality and stability can be determined from impulse response
- ❑ Difference equations suggest implementation of systems
 - Give insight into complexity of system



Admin

- ❑ Regular office hours and recitation start this week
- ❑ New TA
 - Enri Kina – Office hours TBD
- ❑ Enroll in Piazza site:
 - piazza.com/upenn/spring2021/ese531
- ❑ Complete Diagnostic Quiz by Sunday 1/31
 - Solutions posted after due date
- ❑ HW 0: Brush up on background and Matlab tutorial