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Example. Prob. 2.26 $y[n] = x_1[n] * x_2[n] * x_3[n]$

$$x_1[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] \quad x_2[n] = u[n+3] \quad x_3[n] = \delta[n] - \delta[n-1]$$

(a) $x_1[n] * x_2[n] = ? = z[n]$

$\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \quad \beta = 1$

Use standard convolution result for $\alpha^n u[n] * \beta^n u[n]$ with $\beta=1$ then use time-invariance and replace n by $n+3$ everywhere

$$r_1 = \frac{\beta}{\beta - \alpha} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 2 \quad r_2 = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - \beta} = \frac{1/2}{1/2 - 1} = -1$$

$$x_1[n] * x_2[n] = 2 u[n+3] - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+3} u[n+3]$$

(b) $z[n] * x_3[n] \Rightarrow$ easiest way

$$z[n] * x_3[n] = z[n] * \{\delta[n] - \delta[n-1]\}$$

$$= z[n] - z[n-1]$$

$$= 2 u[n+3] - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+3} u[n+3] - 2 u[n+2] + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+2} u[n+2]$$

$$= \delta[n+3] + \left(-\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n+2]$$

$$= \delta[n+3] + \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n+2]$$

you do parts
(c) and (d)

Prob. 2.26 (cont.)

Ans to (b) further simplifies as

$$z[n] = \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n+3] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+3} u[n+3]$$

Now (c) and (d):

First convolve $x_2[n]$ and $x_3[n]$

$$\begin{aligned} & u[n+3] * (\delta[n] - \delta[n-1]) \\ &= u[n+3] * \delta[n] - u[n+3] * \delta[n-1] \\ &= u[n+3] - u[n+2] = \delta[n+3] \end{aligned}$$

Next, convolve this with $x_1[n]$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] * \delta[n+3] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+3} u[n+3]$$

• Demonstrates associativity of DT convolution:

$$(x_1[n] * x_2[n]) * x_3[n] = x_1[n] * (x_2[n] * x_3[n])$$

Example. Prob. 2.5

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

$$x[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq 9 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = u[n] - u[n-10]$$

$$h[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq N \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = u[n] - u[n-(N+1)]$$

Find N given $y[4] = 5$ $y[14] = 0$

From convolution of two DT rectangles result on bottom of pg. 2:

$$\text{length of } y[n] = 10 + (N+1) - 1 = N + 10$$

is nonzero from $n=0$ to $n=N+10-1 = N+9$

$$\text{So: } N+9 < 14 \quad \text{so } N < 5$$

So $N_1 = N$ and $N_2 = 9$ at bottom of pg. 2

check $N=4 = N_1 \Rightarrow y[N_1] = N_1 + 1 \Rightarrow y[4] = 5$ ✓ checks

Answer: $N=4$

Prob. 2.21 part (d)

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

$$x[n] = u[n] - u[n-5] = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq 4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Define:

$$\tilde{h}[n] = u[n] - u[n-6] = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq 5 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then: $h[n] = \tilde{h}[n-2] + \tilde{h}[n-11]$

It follows: define $\tilde{y}[n] = x[n] * \tilde{h}[n]$

Then:

$$y[n] = \tilde{y}[n-2] + \tilde{y}[n-11]$$

where: $\tilde{y}[n]$ determined from bottom of pg. 2 with $N_1 = 4$ and $N_2 = 5$



