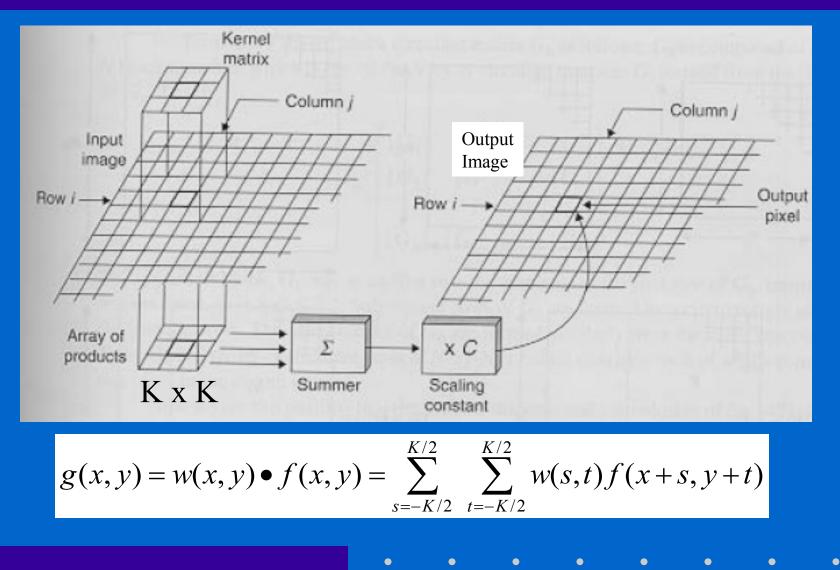
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Convolution



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Correlation - Review



Convolution - Review

• Same as correlation except that the mask is **<u>flipped</u>** both horizontally and vertically.

$$g(x,y) = w(x,y) * f(x,y) = \sum_{s=-K/2}^{K/2} \sum_{t=-K/2}^{K/2} w(s,t) f(x-s,y-t)$$

 Note that if w(x,y) is symmetric, that is w(x,y)=w(-x,-y), then convolution is equivalent to correlation!

1D Continuous Convolution - Definition

• Convolution is defined as follows:

$$f(x) * g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(a)g(x-a)da$$

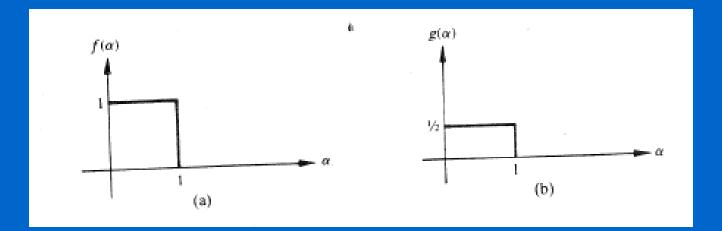
• Convolution is commutative

$$f(x) * g(x) = g(x) * f(x)$$

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Example

• Suppose we want to compute the convolution of the following two functions:



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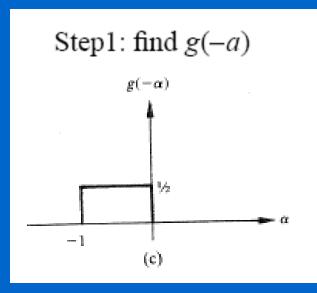
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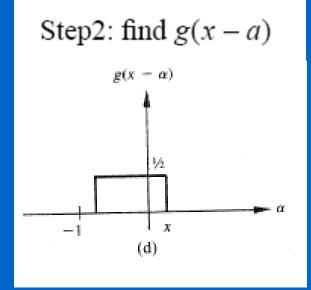
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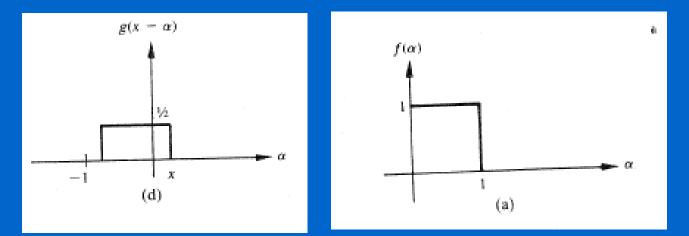
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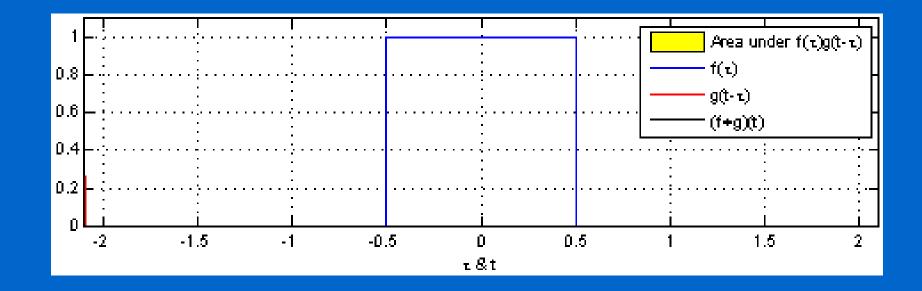
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Step 3:

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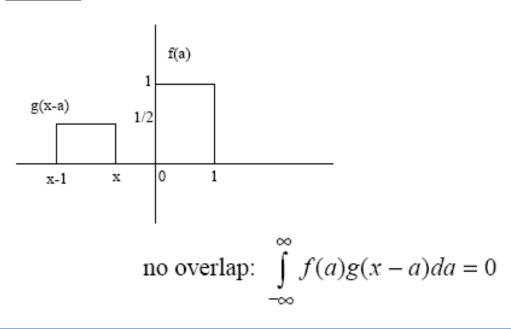


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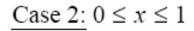
Step 3: consider all possible cases for x:

Case 1: x < 0

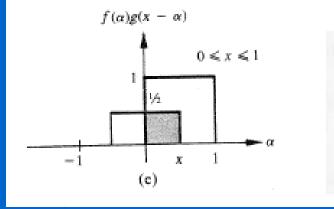


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$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(a)g(x-a)da = \int_{0}^{x} 1\frac{1}{2} \, da = \frac{x}{2}$$

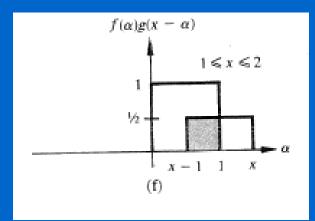
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$$\underline{\text{Case 3:}} \ 1 \le x \le 2$$

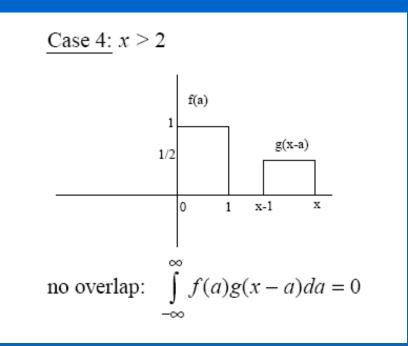
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$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(a)g(x-a)da = \int_{x-1}^{1} 1\frac{1}{2} \, da = 1 - \frac{x}{2}$$

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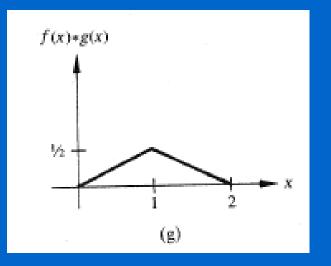
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$$f(x) * g(x) = \begin{cases} x/2 & 0 \le x \le 1\\ 1 - x/2 & 1 \le x \le 2\\ 0 & elsewhere \end{cases}$$



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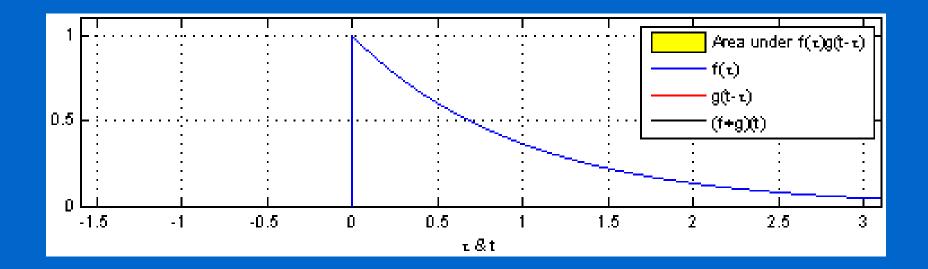
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Important Observations

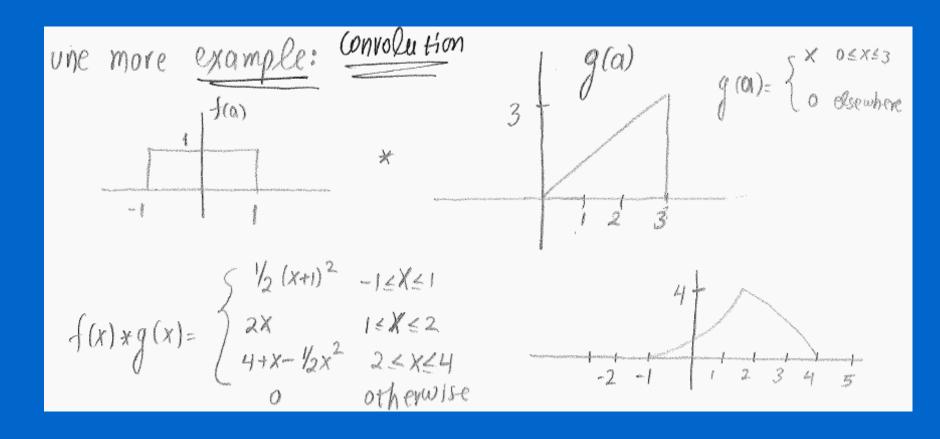
- The extent of f(x) * g(x) is equal to the extent of f(x) plus the extent of g(x)
- For every x, the limits of the integral are determined as follows:
 - Lower limit: MAX (left limit of f(x), left limit of g(x-a))

- Upper limit: MIN (right limit of f(x), right limit of g(x-a))



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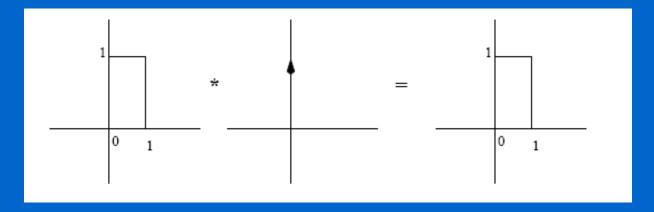
Example



Convolution with an impulse (i.e., delta function)

$$f(x) * \delta(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(a)\delta(x-a)da = f(x)$$

(since
$$\delta(x - a) = 1$$
 if $a = x$)



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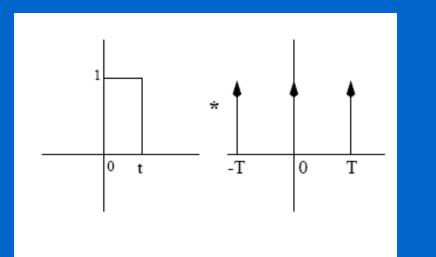
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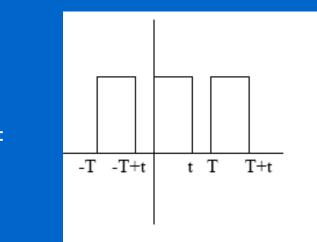
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Convolution with an "train" of impulses

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Convolution Theorem

• Convolution in the time domain is equivalent to multiplication in the frequency domain.

$$f(x) * g(x) < \dots > F(u)G(u) \qquad \qquad \begin{array}{c} f(x) \longleftrightarrow F(u) \\ g(x) \longleftrightarrow G(u) \end{array}$$

• Multiplication in the time domain is equivalent to convolution in the frequency domain.

$$f(x)g(x) \le -- \ge F(u) * G(u)$$

Efficient computation of (f * g)

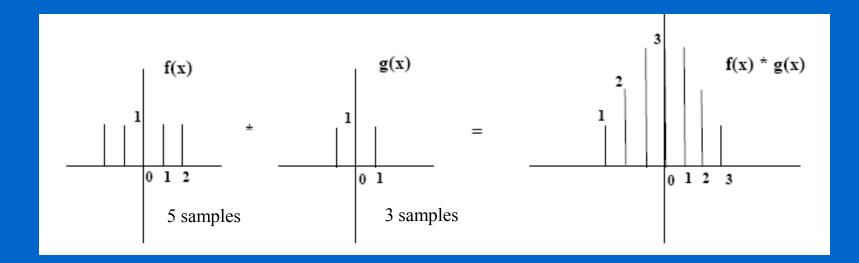
- 1. Compute F(f(x))=F(u) and F(g(x))=G(u)
- 2. Multiply them: F(u)G(u)
- 3. Compute the inverse FT: $F^{-1}(F(u)G(u))=f(x) * g(x)$

Discrete Convolution

- Replace integral with summation
- Integration variable becomes an index.
- Displacements take place in discrete increments

$$f(x) * g(x) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} f(m)g(x-m), -\infty < x < \infty$$

Discrete Convolution (cont'd)



(length of f * g=length of f + length of g - 1)

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Convolution Theorem in Discrete Case

• Input sequences:

$$\{f(0), f(1), \ldots, f(A-1)\}, \{g(0), g(1), \ldots, g(B-1)\}$$

• Length of output sequence:

$$M = A + B - 1$$

• Extended input sequences (i.e., pad with zeroes)

$$f_e(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & 0 \le x \le A - 1 \\ 0 & A \le x \le M - 1 \end{cases} \quad g_e(x) = \begin{cases} g(x) & 0 \le x \le B - 1 \\ 0 & B \le x \le M - 1 \end{cases}$$

Convolution Theorem in Discrete Case (cont'd)

• When dealing with discrete sequences, the convolution theorem holds true for the extended sequences <u>only</u>, i.e., $(M \ge A + B - 1)$

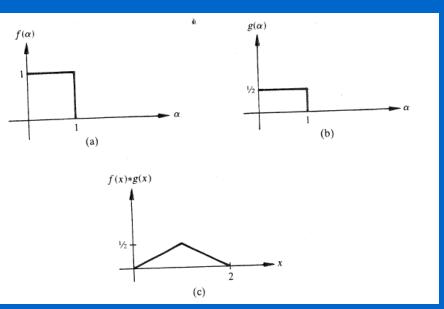
$$f_{e}(x) * g_{e}(x) < --> F_{e}(u) G_{e}(u)$$

where $f_{e}(x) * g_{e}(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} f_{e}(m)g_{e}(x-m)$

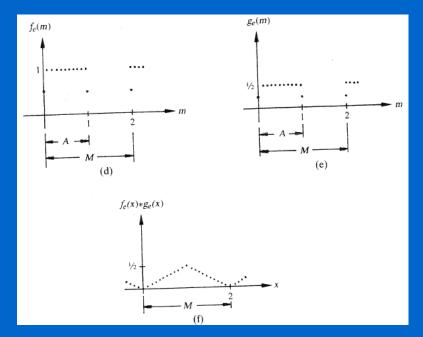
Why?

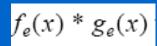
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continuous case



discrete case





Using DFT, it will be a periodic function with period M (since DFT is periodic)

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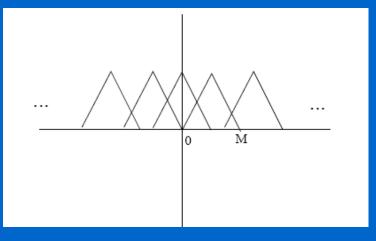
Why? (cont'd)

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If M<A+B-1, the periods will overlap

If M>=A+B-1, the periods will not overlap

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2D Convolution

• Definition

$$f(x,y) * g(x,y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(a,b)g(x-a,y-b)dadb$$

• 2D convolution theorem

$$f(x, y) * g(x, y) < --- > F(u, v) G(u, v)$$
$$f(x, y) g(x, y) < --- > F(u, v) * G(u, v)$$

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Discrete 2D convolution

- Suppose f(x,y) and g(x,y) are images of size
 A x B and C x D
- The size of f(x,y) * g(x,y) would be N x M where N=A+C-1 and M=B+D-1
- Extended images (i.e., pad with zeroes):

$$f_e(x, y) = \begin{cases} f(x, y) & 0 \le x \le A - 1 \text{ and } 0 \le y \le B - 1 \\ 0 & A \le x \le M - 1 \text{ and } B \le y \le N - 1 \end{cases}$$
$$g_e(x) = \begin{cases} g(x, y) & 0 \le x \le C - 1 \text{ and } 0 \le y \le D - 1 \\ 0 & C \le x \le M - 1 \text{ and } D \le y \le N - 1 \end{cases}$$

Discrete 2D convolution (cont'd)

• The convolution theorem holds true for the extended images.

$$f_e(x, y) * g_e(x, y) < \cdots > F_e(u, v)G_e(u, v)$$

$$f_e(x, y) * g_e(x, y) = \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_e(m, n) g_e(x - m, y - n)$$
$$(x = 0, 1, \dots, M-1, y = 0, 1, \dots, N-1)$$

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