

$$y(n) = x(n) * h(n)$$

Fast convolution --- compute convolution using FFT

# Outline

•Fast convolution of short sequences;

•Fast convolution of long sequences.

- Let x(n) be length L, (n=0, 1, ... L-1);
- *h*(*n*) be length *M*, (*n*=0,1, ..., *M*-1);
- *y*(*n*) should have L+M-1 samples, given by:

$$y(n) = x(n) * h(n) = \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} h(m)x(n-m)$$

Where *n*=0,1,..., *N* (*N*=L+*M*-1)

This equation is referred to as linear convolution

- Total computations (Assume M<L)
  - n=0, 1 multiplication
  - n=1, 2 multiplications and 1 addition;
  - n=2, 3 multiplications and 2 additions;
  - if M-1 <= n <= L-1, M multiplications,...
  - ....

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- n=L+M-2, 1 multiplication and no addition
- Hence, ML multiplications for convolving x(n) and H(n)

- Let us see if DFT can be used for computing the convolution.
- As the length of x(n),h(n) and y(n) are L,M and (L+M-1) respectively, we consider Npoint DFTs of them, where N>L+M-1:

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x(n) W_N^{nk}, \qquad H(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{M-1} h(n) W_N^{nk}$$
$$Y(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{L+M-1} y(n) W_N^{nk}$$

$$X(k)H(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x(n)W_N^{nk} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} h(m)W_N^{mk}$$
  
=  $\sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} x(n)h(m)W_N^{(n+m)k} \leftarrow let \qquad n+m=l$   
=  $\sum_{l=0}^{L+M-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} x(l-m)h(m)W_N^{lk}$   
=  $\sum_{l=0}^{L+M-1} y(l)W_N^{lk} = Y(k)$   $y(l)$ 

- Hence convolution can be computed via DFT's:
- Step 1.
- Compute N-point DFT of x(n) and h(n), where N>L+M-1
- Step 2.
  - Compute Y(k)=X(k)H(k)
- Step 3.

Compute N-point IDFT of Y(k) to get y(n)

### Convolution of short sequences: Is it more efficient to use DFTs?

- Multiplications: (1/2)NlogN for each FFT and IFFT. Hence (3/2) NlogN +N complex multiplications are required; where N>=L+M-1
- The direct convolution involves ML real multiplications;
- Which one is more efficient? FFT is more efficient when L and M are large.
- For example: when L=M .....

• Note that N must be bigger than L+M-1. Otherwise the result will not be correct. Why?

•Naturally multiplication in frequency domain is equivalent to circular convolution.

•If N<L+M-1, the circular convolution will involves overlaps .

•Circular convolution of x(n) and h(n) is defined as the convolution of h(n) with a periodic signal  $x_p(n)$ :

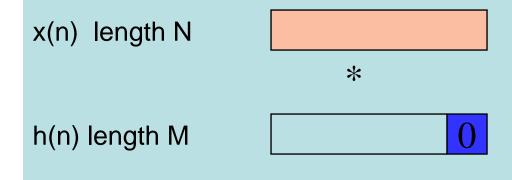
 $y_p(n) = x_p(n) * h(n)$ 

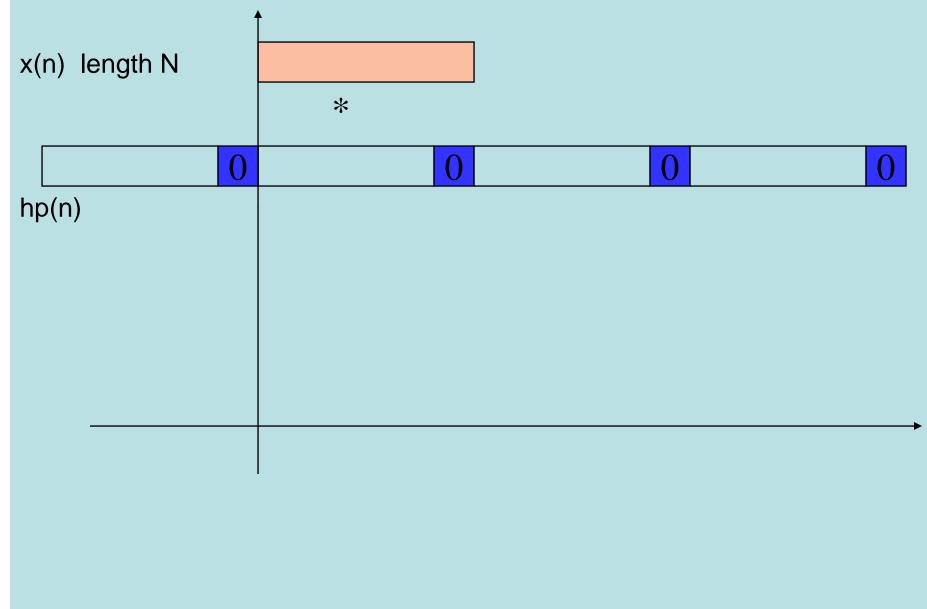
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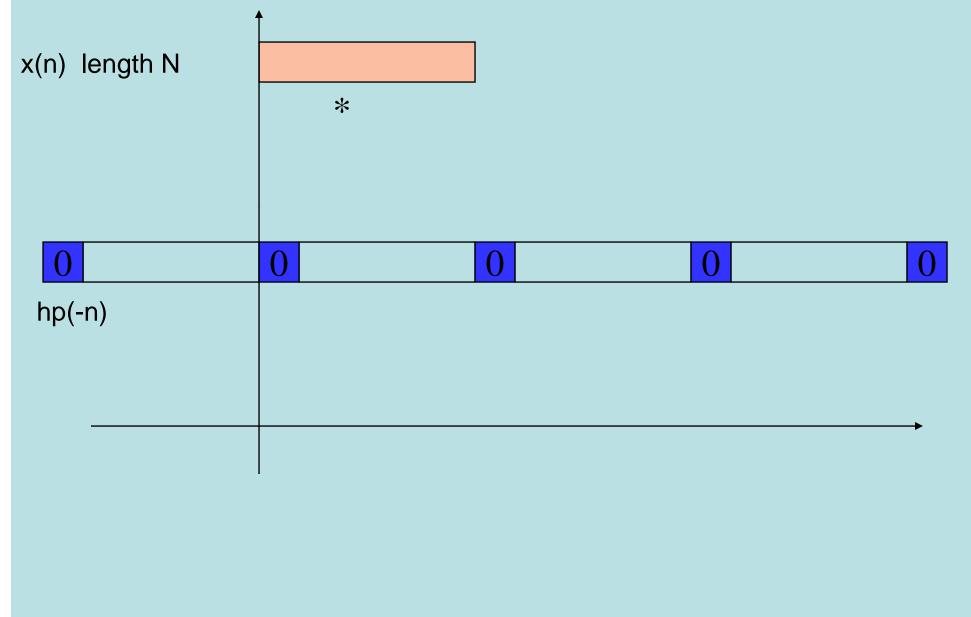
$$x_p(n) = x(n \mod N), \qquad -\infty < n < \infty$$

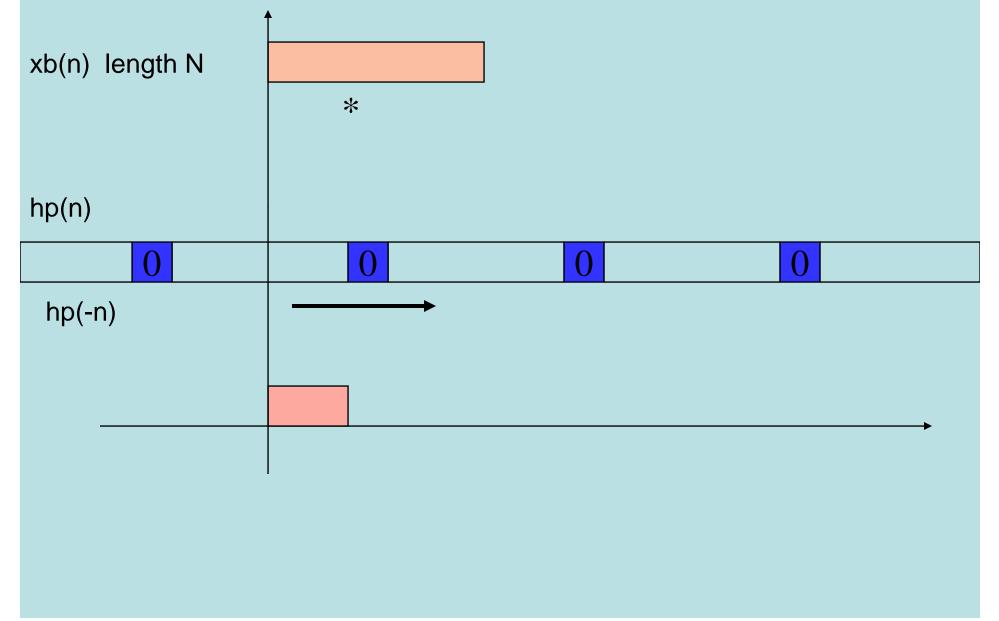
x(n) length N \*

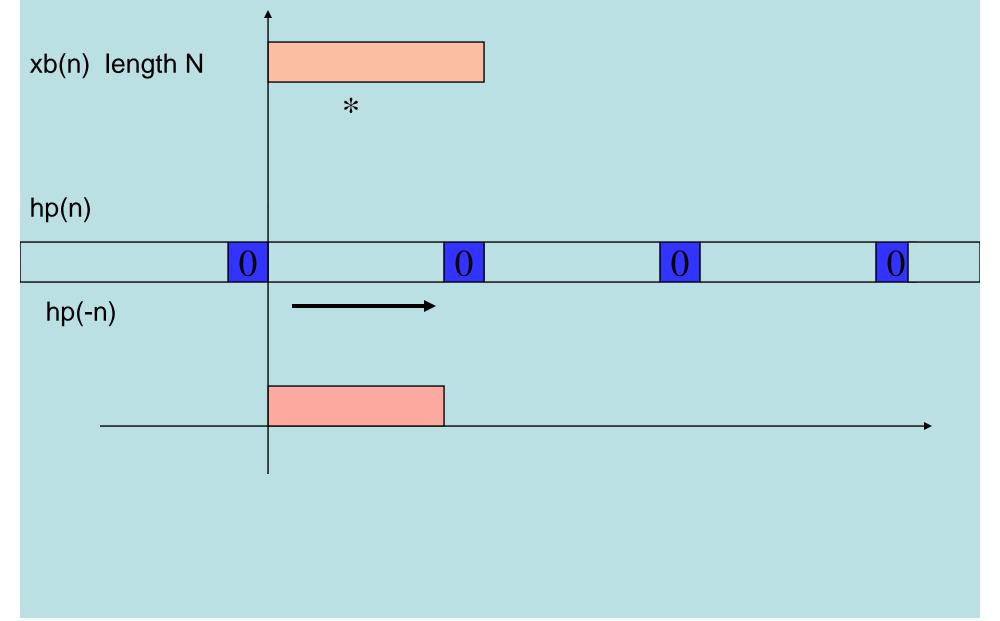
h(n) length M

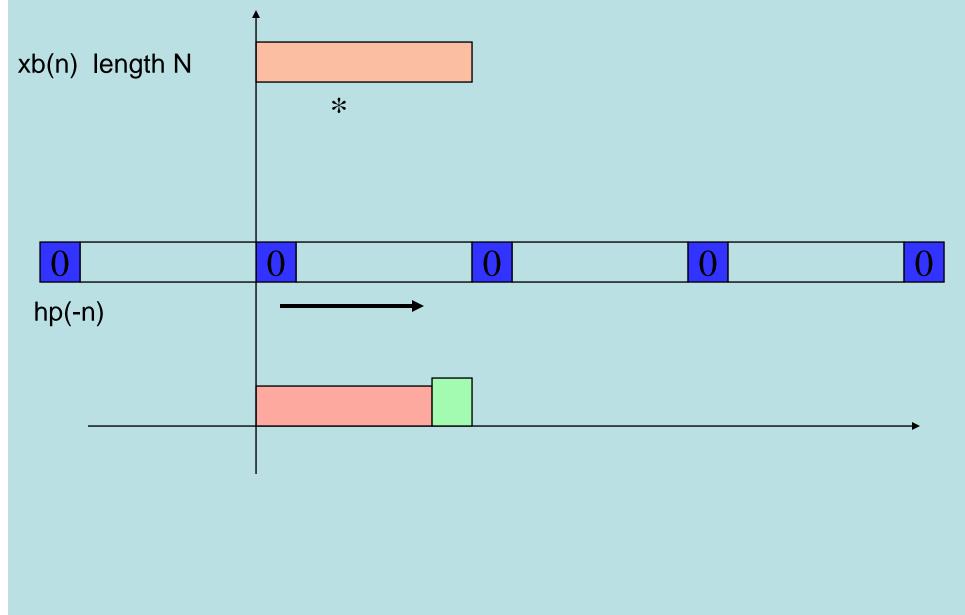












# **Examples**

- Let {x(n)}={1,2,3} and {h(n)}={1,1,1}, then the result should be {y(n)}={1,3,6,5,3}
- With L=M=3, we should choose N=5
- however if we take N=4, the extended signals are
  - ${x(n)}={1,2,3,0}$  and  ${h(n)}={1,1,1,0}$
- The DFT yields
  - X(k)={6,-2-2j,2,-2+2j}
  - H(k)={3,-j,1,j}
  - Y(k)={18,-2+2j,2,-2-2j}
  - Hence y(n)={4,3,6,5}

# **Examples**

 $x_{P}(n) = \{\dots, 3, 0, 1, 2, 3, 0, \dots\}$ 

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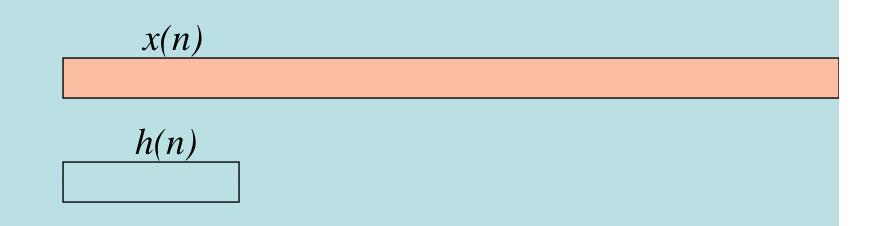
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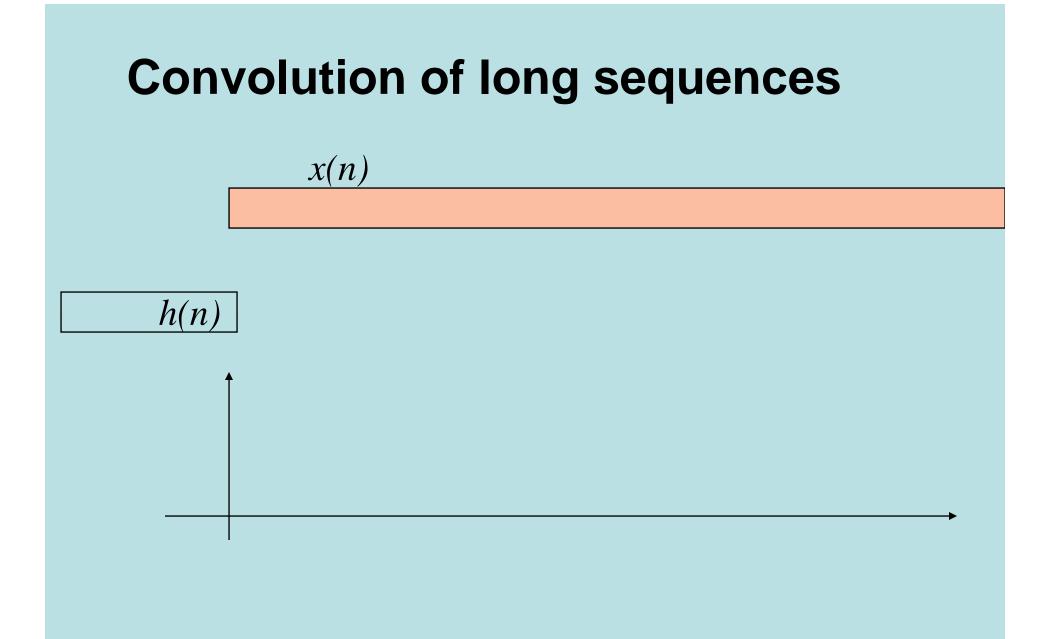
 $x_{p}(-n) = \{\dots, 3, 2, 1, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, \dots\}$ 

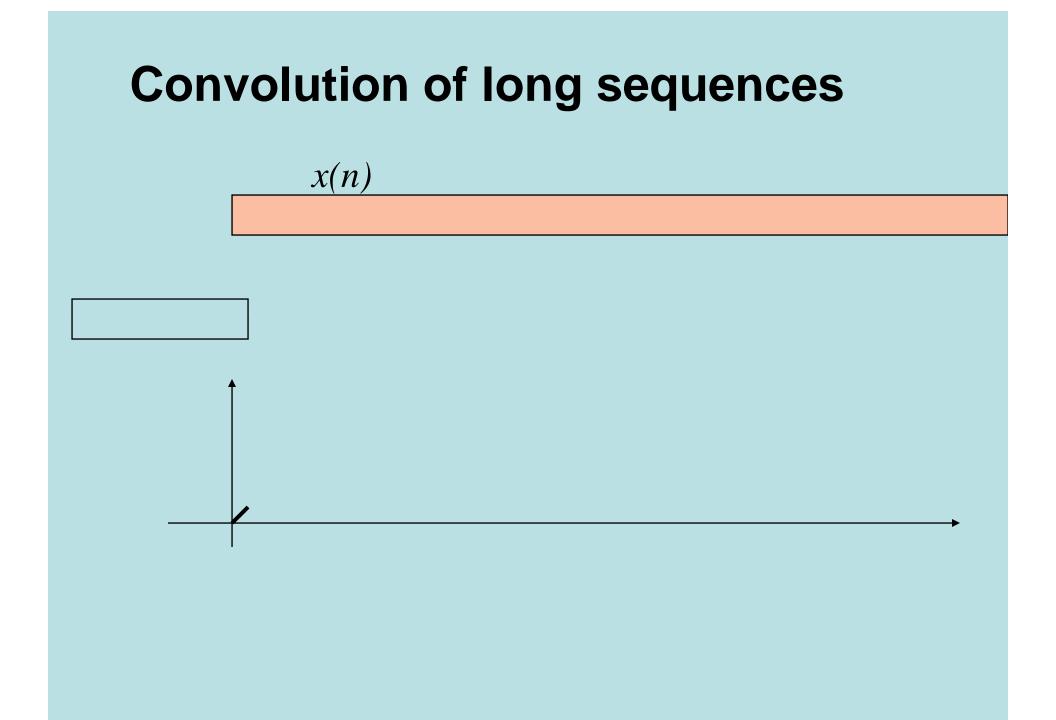
y(n)= 4,3,6,5

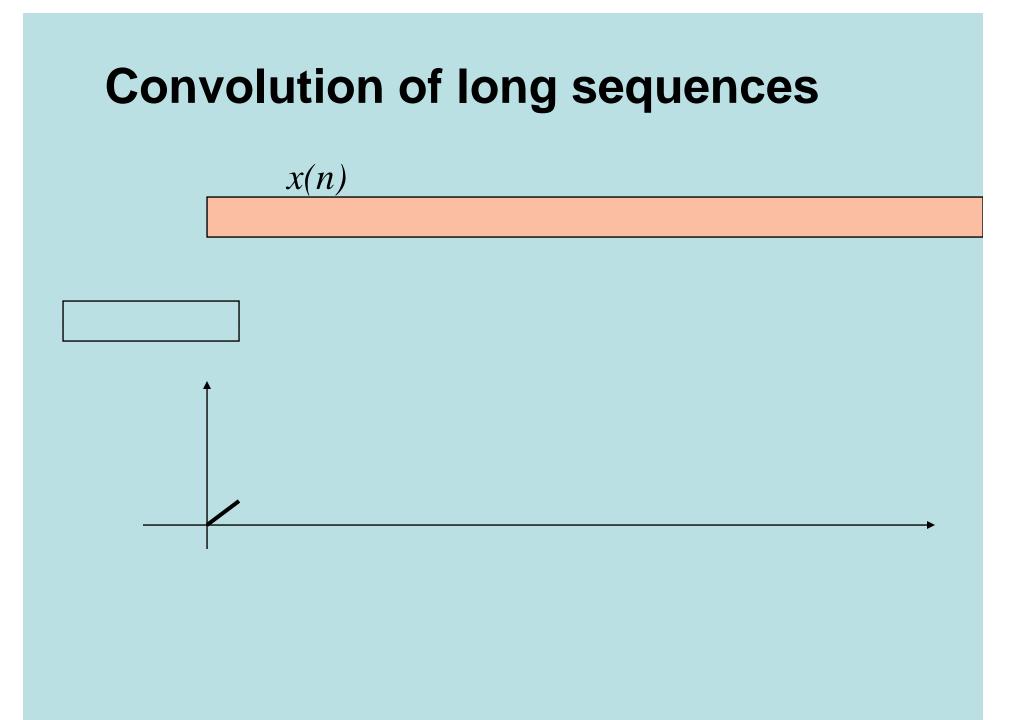
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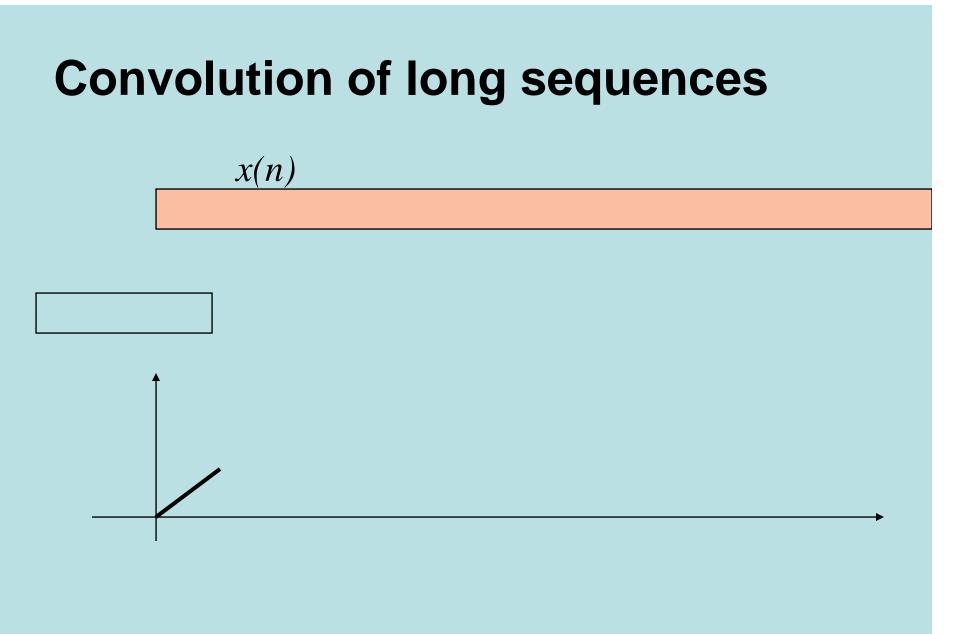
If  $x(n) = \{1, 2, 3, 0, 0\} \rightarrow 5$  point DFT  $h(n) = \{1, 1, 1, 0, 0\} \rightarrow 5 \text{ point DFT}$ we can get y(n)={1,3,6,5,3}  $\{1,2,3,0,0,1,2,3,0,0,1,2,3,0,0,1,2,3,0,0,1,2,3,0,0\}$  $\{1,1,1\}$  $x_{p}(n) = \{\dots, 2, 3, 0, 0, 1, 2, 3, 0, \dots\}$ \*\_\_\_\_\_\*  $x_{p}(-n) = \{\dots, 0, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 0, \dots\}$  ${h(n)} = {1,1,1},$ y(n)=1,3,6,5,3

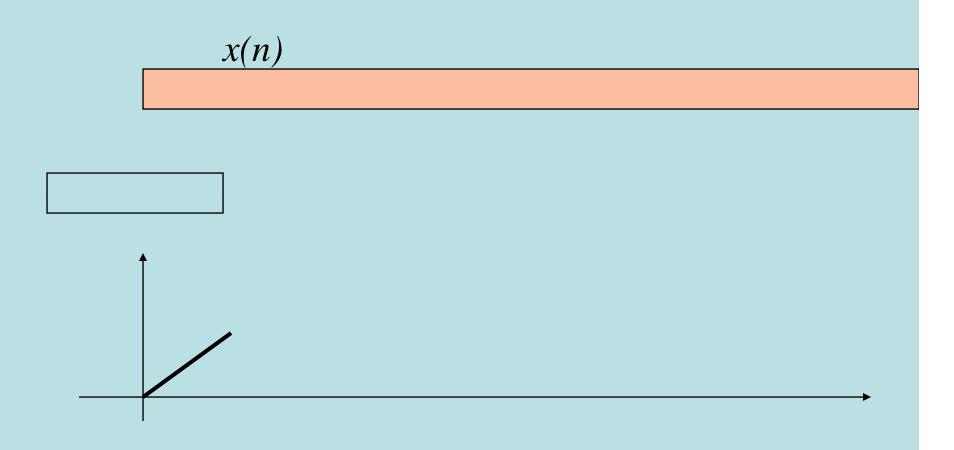


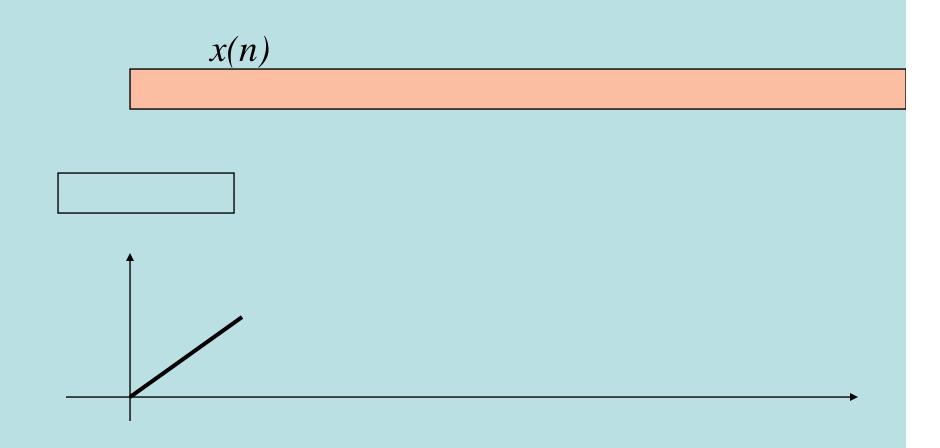




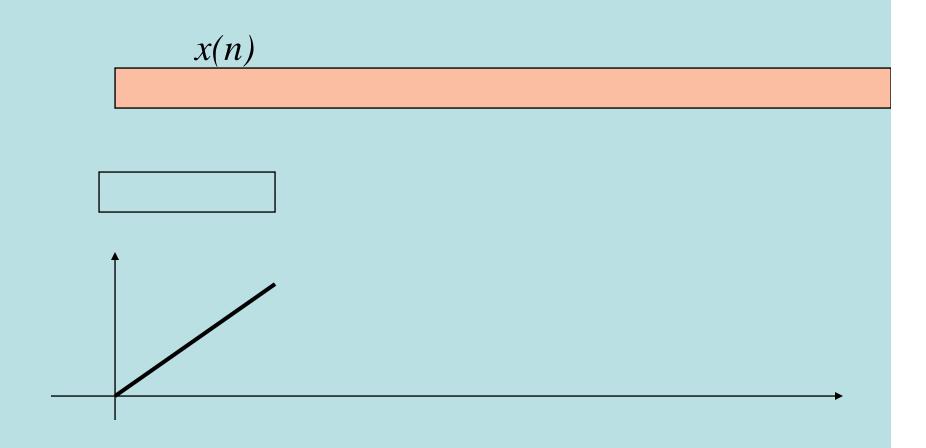


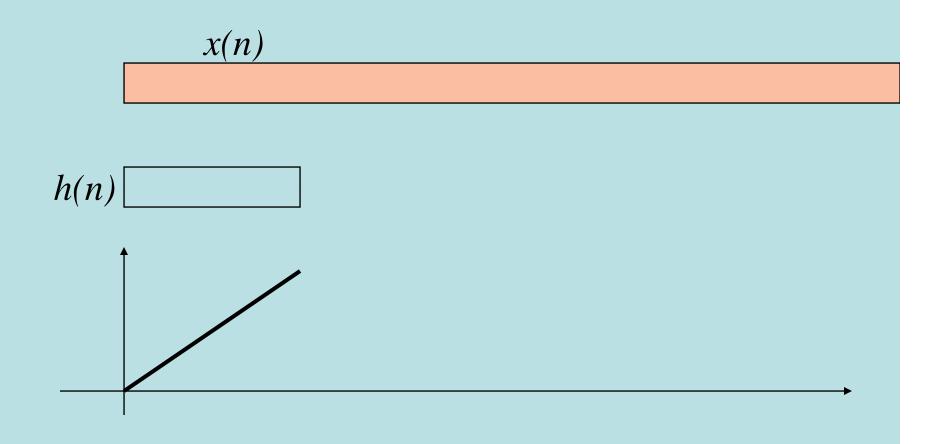


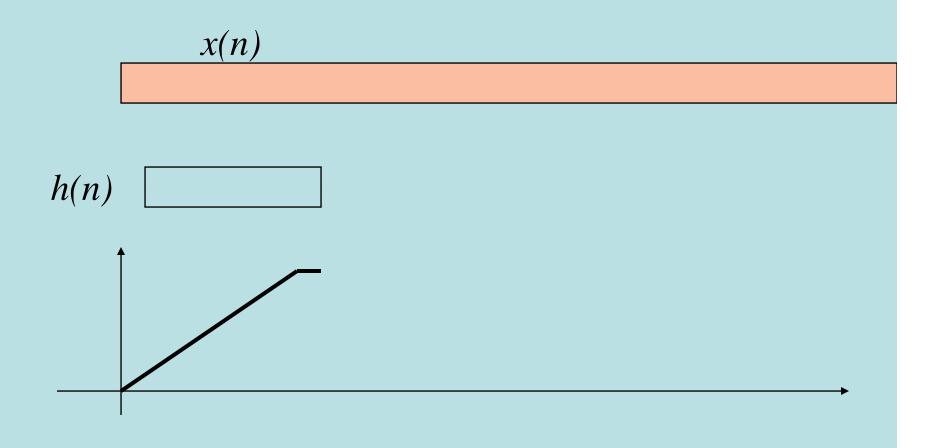


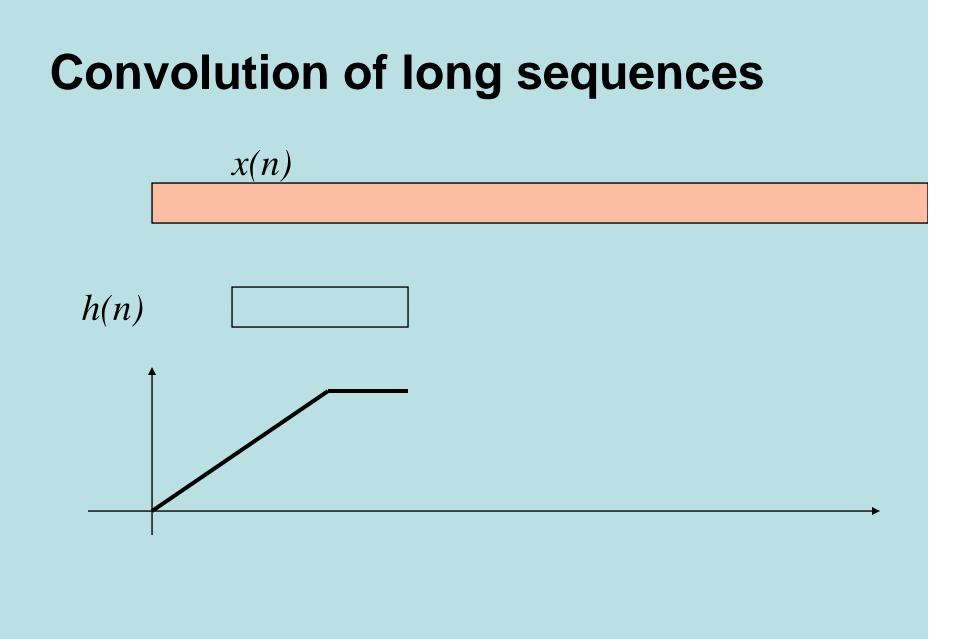


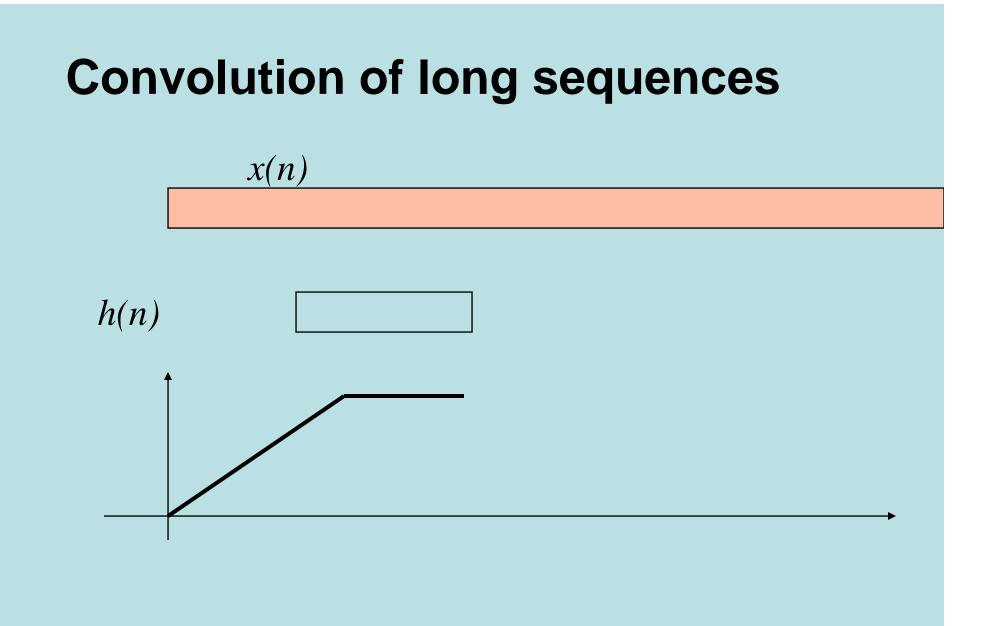


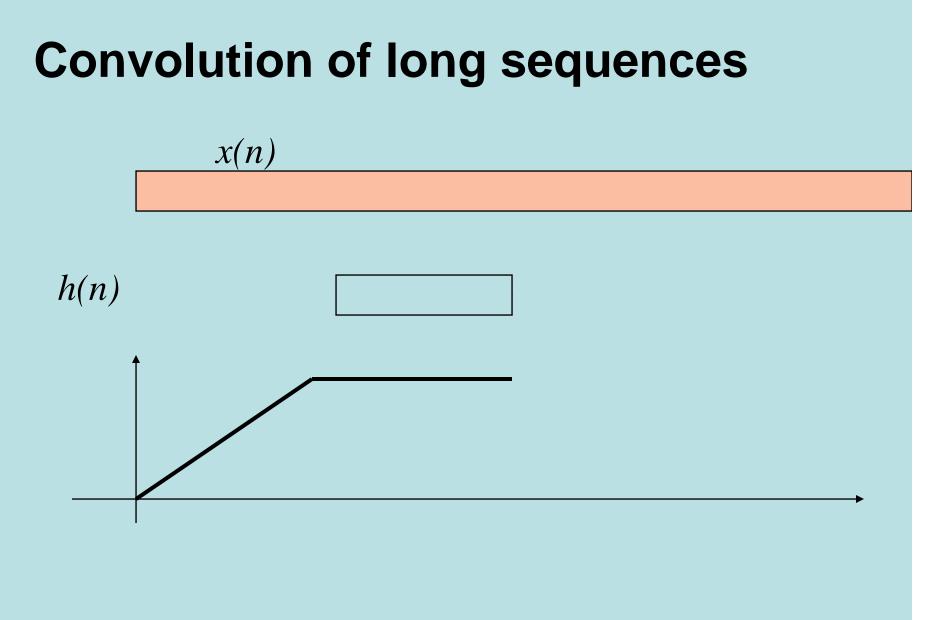


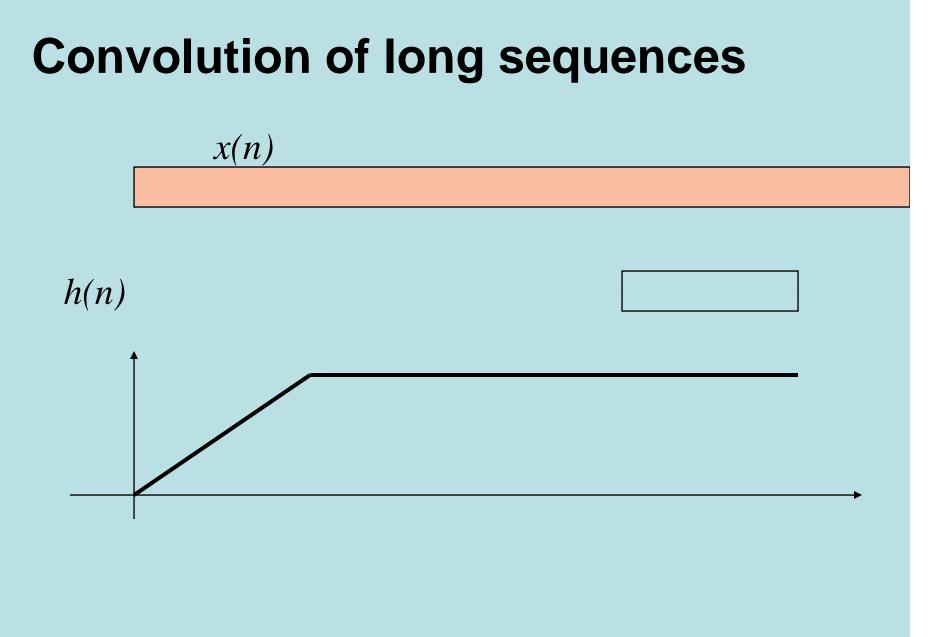












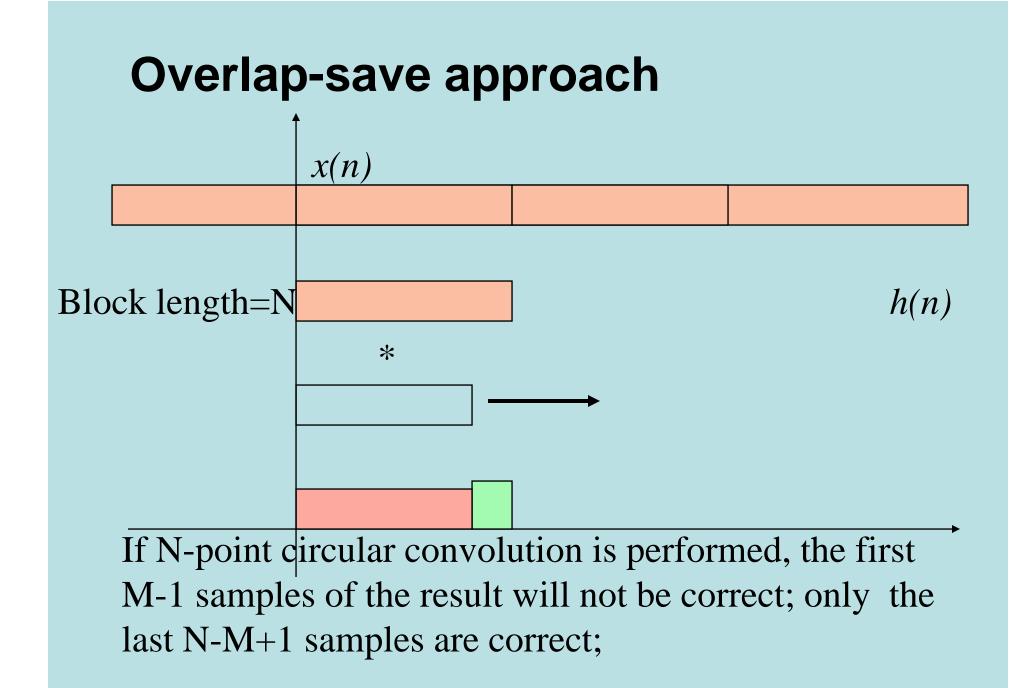
### Convolution of Long Sequences ----Block Based approach

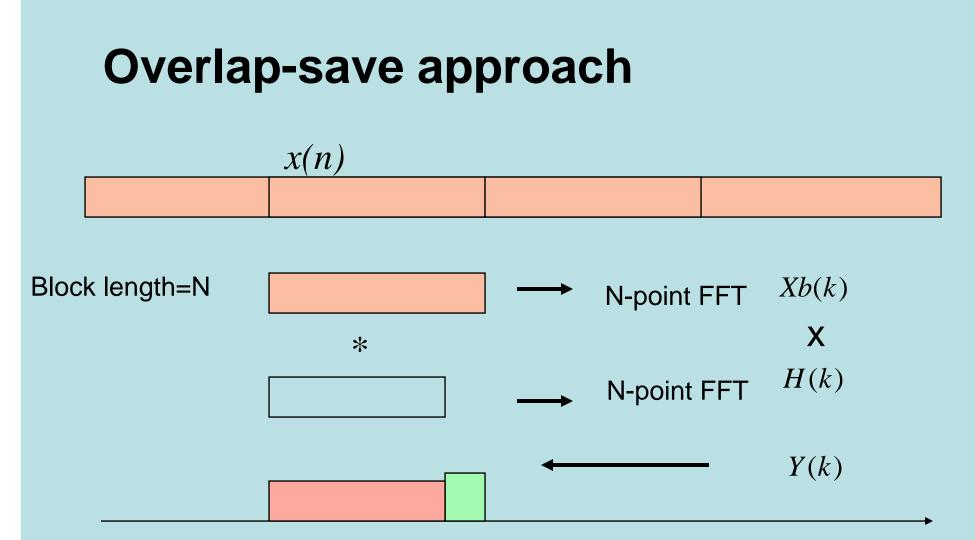
- x(n) are divided into blocks;
- convolutions are performed for each block and h(n) --- short time convolution;
- construct the output by combining the results of block convolution;
- Issues : how to construct the blocks? How to construct the output?
- Two approaches: overlap-save and overlap-add

h(n)

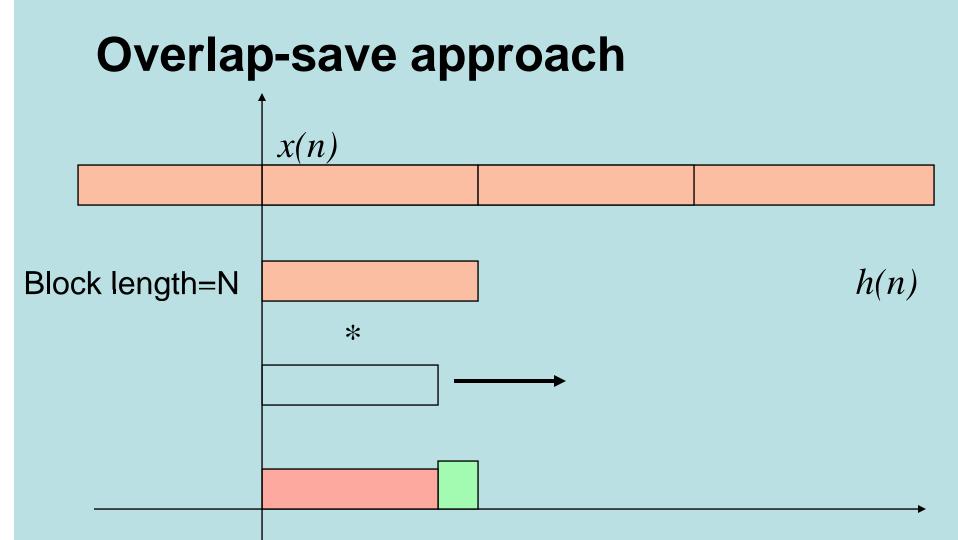


x(n)

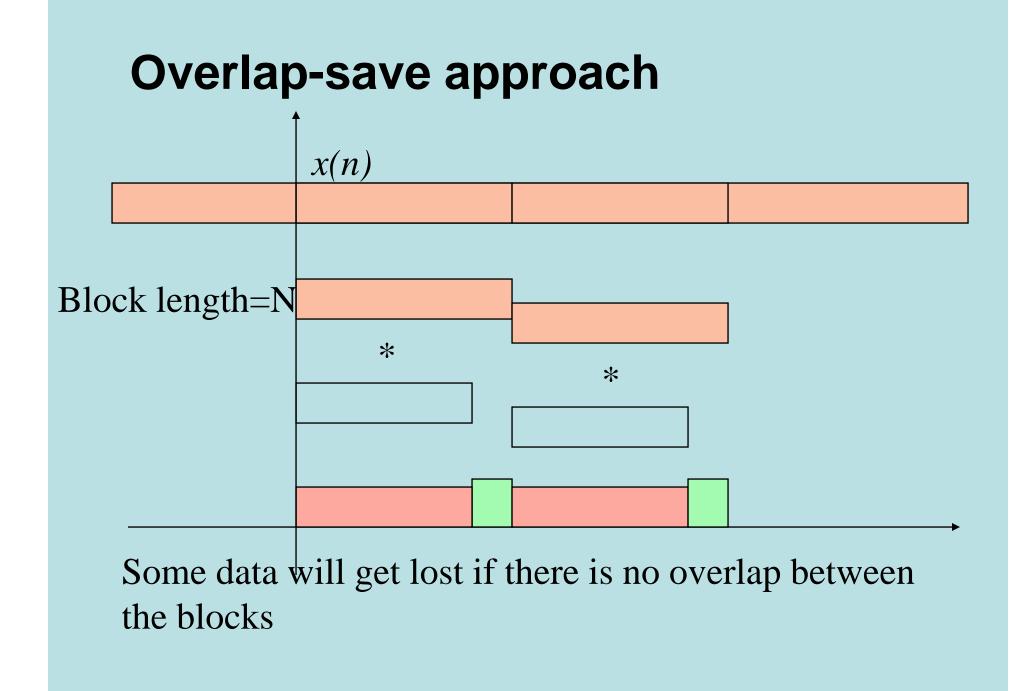


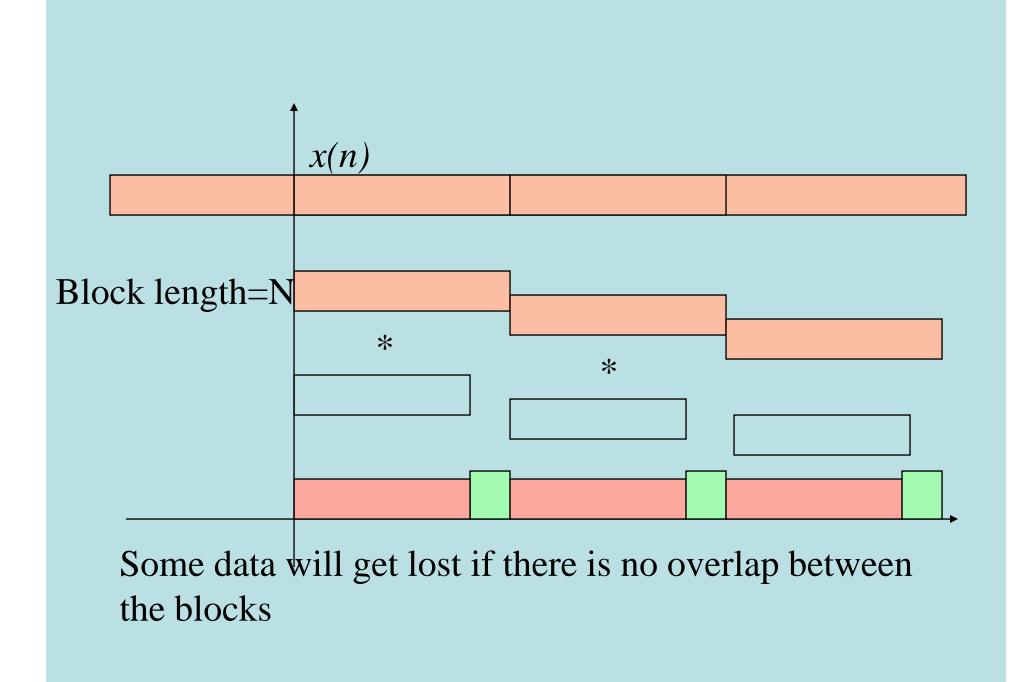


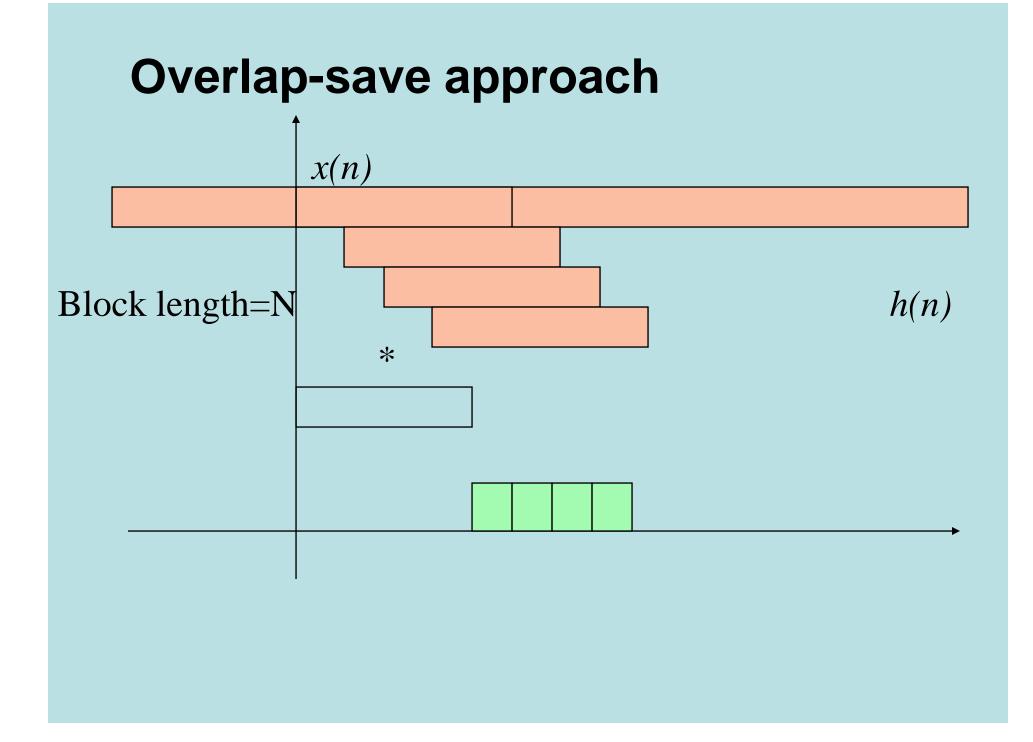
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#### **Overlap-save approach**

- The above process is called overlap-save methods:
  - Take N signal samples as a block;
  - do N-point DFT of the block, and N-point DFT of h(n) (N>M the length of h(n));
  - Multiple X<sub>b</sub>(k) and H(k);
  - Do the IDFT of Y(k)
  - Discard the first (M-1) samples of y(n);

#### **Overlap-save approach**

- Get the next block by getting N-M+1 new samples, and discard (N-M+1) oldest samples
- Repeat the above convolution process.

# Overlap-save approach--- an example

- Convolve a 50-pint sequence h(n) with a long sequence x(n):
  - 1. Let N=64;
  - 2. taking 64 samples from x(n), perform circular convolution using 64-point FFT. Discard the first 49 samples and keep the last 64-50+1=15 samples;
  - Move the block by getting 15 samples from x(n), repeat step 2 and keep the next 15 samples of the result....
  - Combine all the 15 samples together to get the convolution results

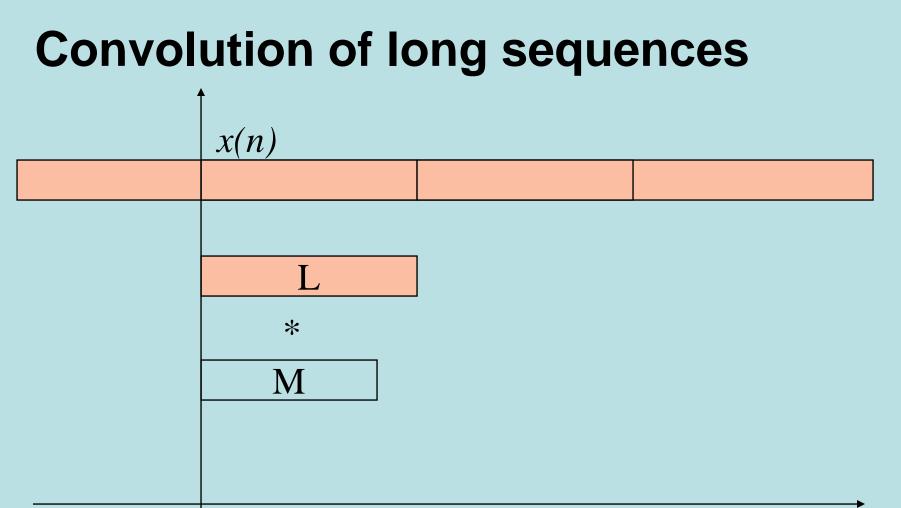
# Convolution of Long Sequences ----Overlap-Add Method

- Here we try to use linear convolution instead of circular convolution:
  - Take a block xb(n) of length L;
  - H(n) is of length M;
  - Take the N-point DFT of them, where N=L+M-1
  - Calculate Y(k)=X(k)H(k), k=0, 1, ..., N-1
  - Calculate IDFT of Y(k) yield y(n), n=0, 1, ..., N-1

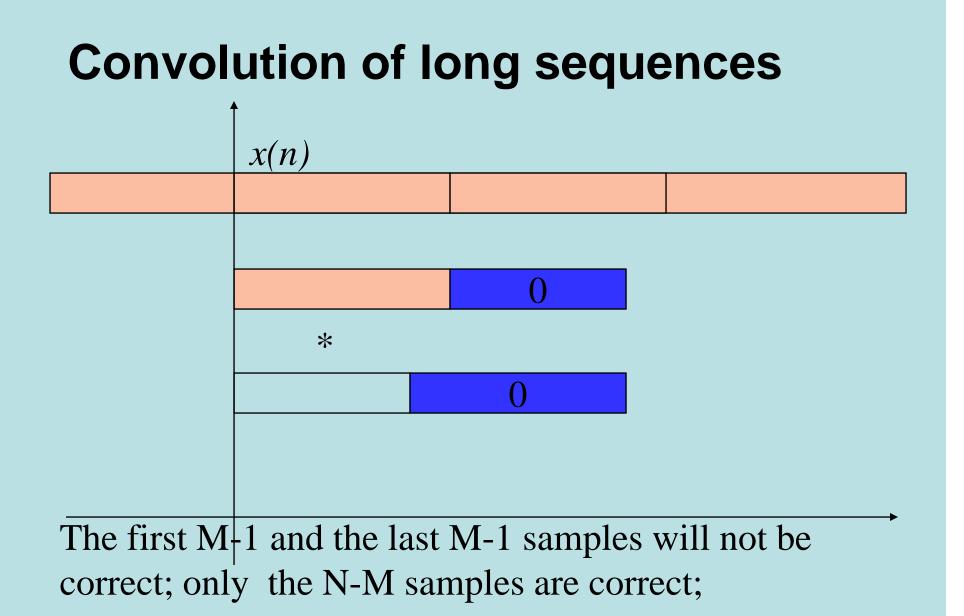
h(n)

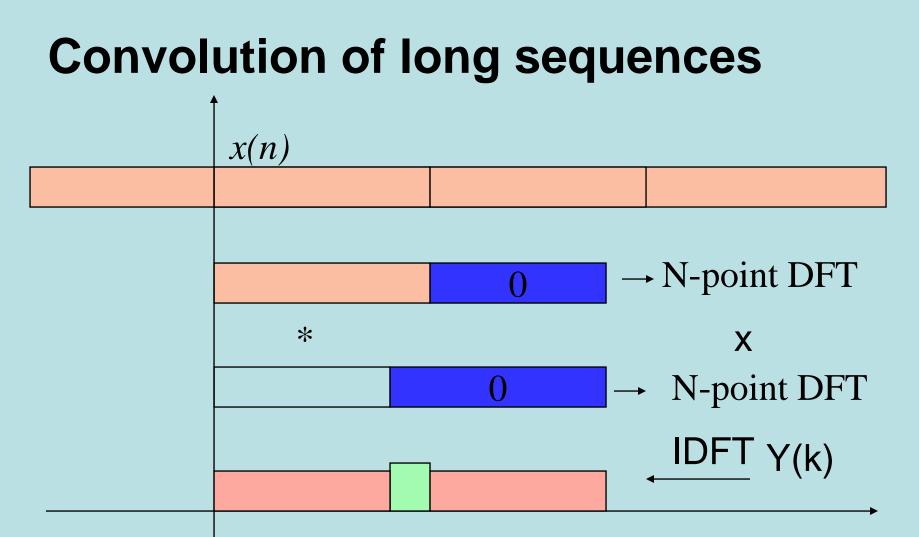


x(n)

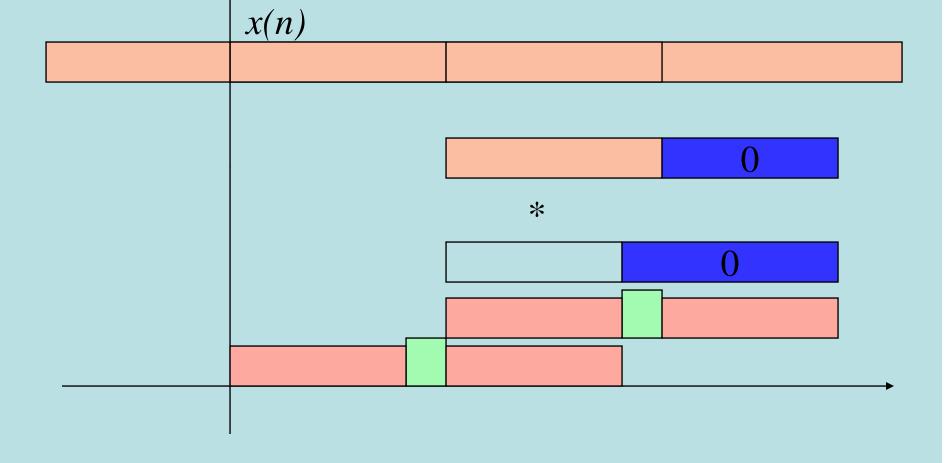


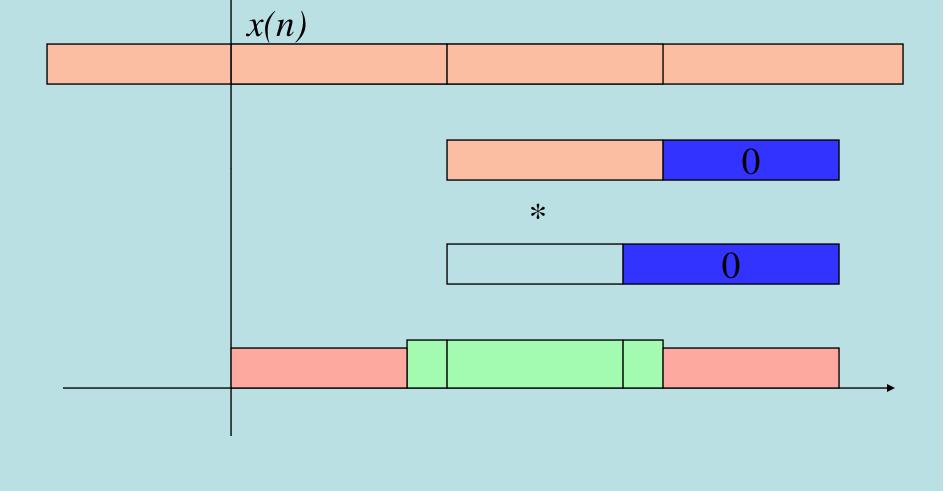
The first M and the last M samples will not be correct; only the N-M samples are correct;

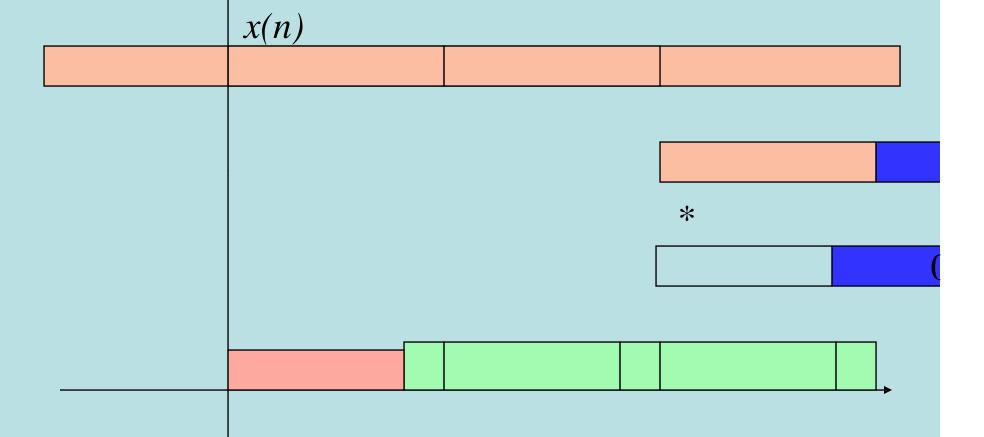




The first  $M^{\perp}1$  and the last M-1 samples will not be correct; only the N-M+1 samples are correct;







# Convolution of Long Sequences ---Overlap-Add Method

- Construct the mth block x<sub>b</sub>(n) as: {x(mL),x(mL+1), ...x(mL+L-1), 0, ..., 0}→ Length N
- Take the N-point DFTs of x<sub>b</sub>(n) and h(n);
- Multiplication Ym(k)=Xb(k)H(k)
- IDFT: y(n)=IDFT(Y(k))
- Repeat the operation for next block
  {x((m+1)L),x((m+1)L+1), ...,x((m+1)L+L-1), 0, ..., 0}

# Convolution of Long Sequences ----Overlap-Add Method

- The last (M-1) points for the first y(n) are overlapped and added to the first (M-1) points of the second y(n);
- The last (M-1) points for the second y(n) are overlapped and added to the first (M-1) points of the third y(n);
- .....
- The above process will result in the convolution of h(n) and x(n)

# Summary

- Fast convolution of short sequences
  - Linear convolution
  - Circular convolution
  - When they can be equal?
- Fast convolution of short sequences
  - Overlap-saving (block overlapping, discard some results)
  - Overlap-adding(block separate, overlap and add some results)