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 SIGNALS & SYSTEMS

APPLICATIONS OF CONVOLUTION :

CROSS - CORRELATION :

This quantity is defined as :

$$r_{xy}[k] = x[k] * y^*[ -k ]$$

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

$$R_{xy}[\tau] = x(\tau) * y^*(-\tau)$$

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

This quantity measures the similarity between signals  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$

AUTO - CORRELATION :

$$r_{xx}[k] = x[k] * x^*[ -k ]$$

$$= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x[m] x^*[m-k]$$

$$R_{xx}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) x^*(\tau - \tau) d\tau$$

Two waveforms are said to be uncorrelated iff:

- (i)  $R_{xy}(\tau) = 0, \forall \tau \in \mathbb{R}$
- (ii)  $r_{xy}[k] = 0, \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Two waveforms are orthogonal:

$$\langle x(t), y(t) \rangle = R_{xy}(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) y^*(\tau) d\tau \\ = 0$$

$$\langle x[k], y[k] \rangle = r_{xy}[0]$$

$$= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x[m] y^*[m] = 0$$

This measures the similarity between two waveforms. Orthogonal signals have no similarity.

The quantities,  $R_{xx}(0)$ ,  $r_{xx}[0]$  correspond to the energy of the waveform:

$$R_{xx}(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = E_x$$

$$r_{xx}[0] = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |x[m]|^2 = E_x$$

For this reason:  $R_{xx}(\tau)$ ,  $r_{xx}[k]$  are called energy auto-correlations