

2 Linear Time-Invariant Systems

Major References:

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2.1 Convolution

2.1.1 Convolution Integral of CT Signal

1. Definition

Convolution Integral of two continuous-time signals $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ is defined by

$$z(t) = x(t) * y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) y(t - \tau) d\tau. \quad (2.1)$$

Convolution $x(t) * y(t)$ represents the degree to which x & y overlap at t as y sweeps across the domain t .

Step. 1) $y(\tau)$ is time-reversed, then shifted by t ; $y(\tau) \rightarrow y(-\tau) \rightarrow y(t - \tau)$

Step. 2) $x(\tau)$ and $y(t - \tau)$ are multiplied, then integrated over τ

Step. 3) Convolution will remain zero as long as x & y do not overlap

Step. 4) Sweep $y(t - \tau)$ from $t = -\infty$ to $t = \infty$ to produce the entire output

2. Properties of the Convolution Integral

The convolution integral has the following properties. Refer [Schaum's text, Problem 2.1] for the proof.

a) Commutative

$$x(t) * y(t) = y(t) * x(t)$$

b) Associative

$$\{x(t) * y_1(t)\} * y_2(t) = x(t) * \{y_1(t) * y_2(t)\}$$

c) Distributive

$$x(t) * \{y_1(t) + y_2(t)\} = x(t) * y_1(t) + x(t) * y_2(t)$$

3. Additional Properties

Refer [Schaum's text, Problem 2.2, 2.8] for the proof.

a) $x(t) * \delta(t) = x(t)$

b) $x(t) * \delta(t - t_0) = x(t - t_0)$

c) $x(t) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau$

d) $x(t) * u(t - t_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{t-t_0} x(\tau) d\tau$

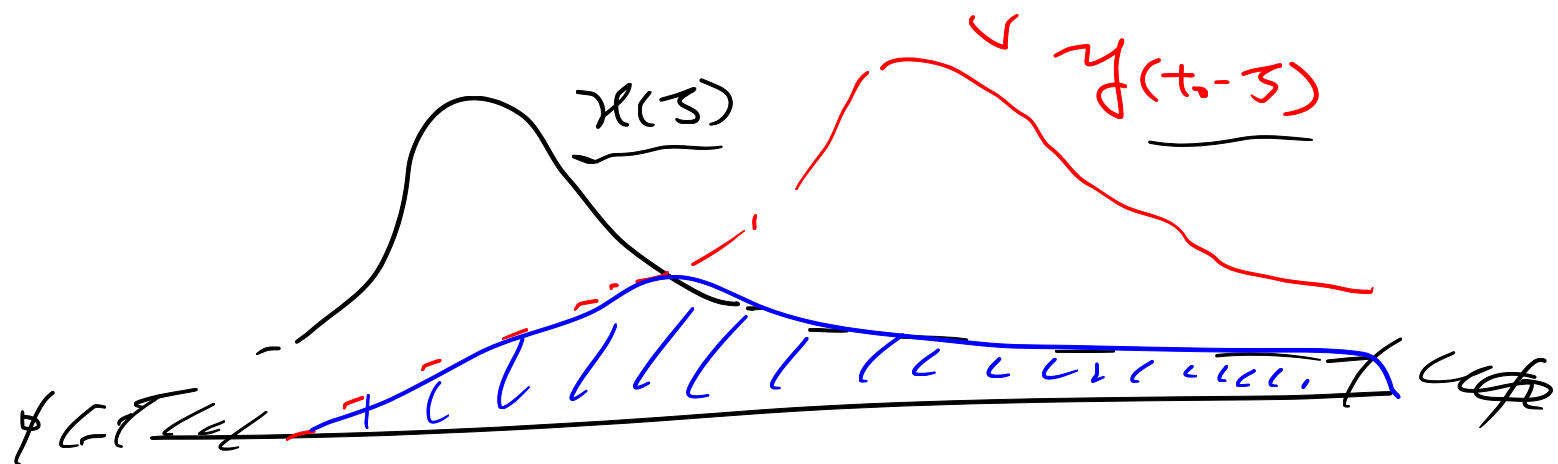
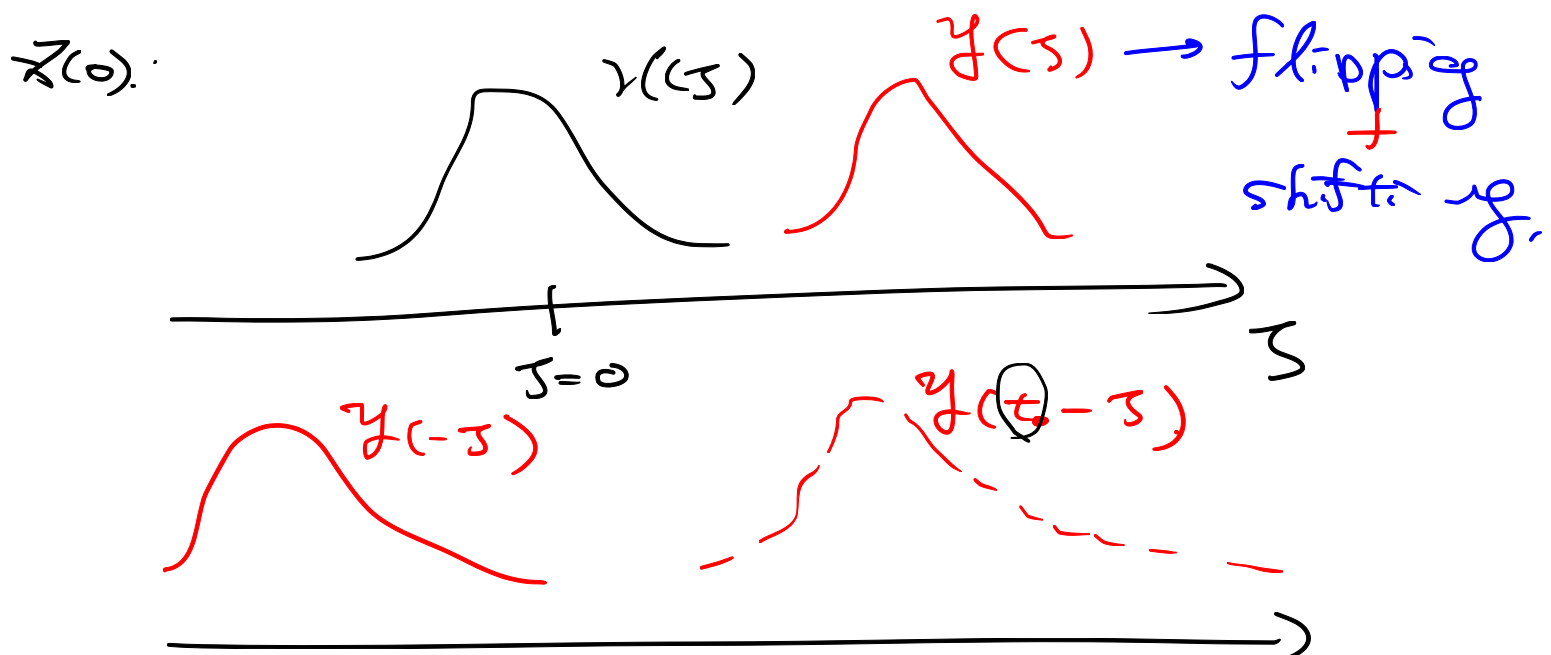
e) If $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ are periodic signals with a common period T , the convolution in (2.1) does not converge. Instead, we define the **periodic convolution** $f(t) = x(t) \otimes y(t)$, where $f(t)$ is periodic with **period T**

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= x(t) \otimes y(t) = \int_0^T x(\tau) y(t - \tau) d\tau \\ &= \int_a^{a+T} x(\tau) y(t - \tau) d\tau \quad \text{for arbitrary } a \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Convolution \rightarrow CT/DT

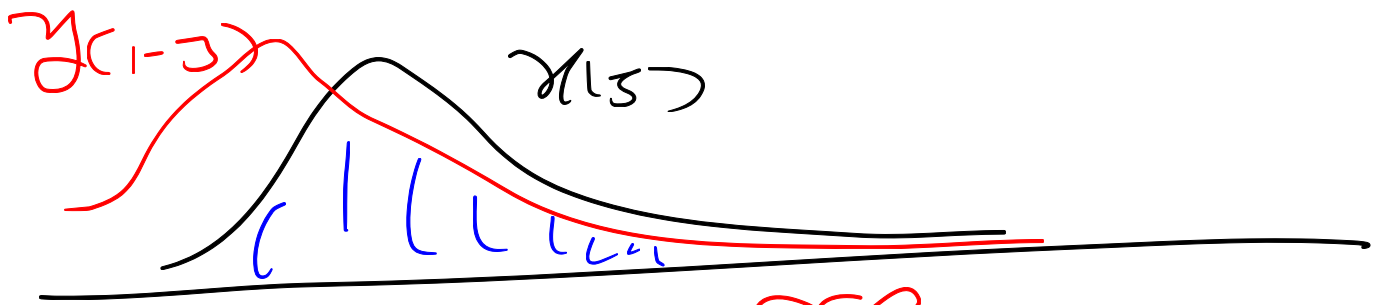
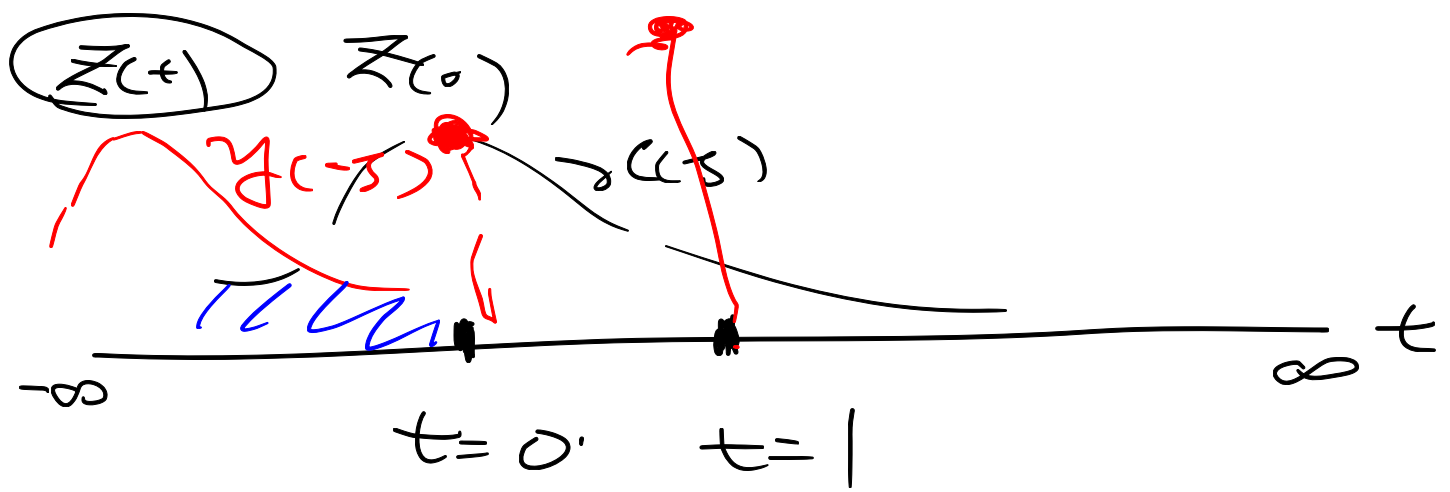
$$\boxed{Z(t)} + x(t) * y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) y(t - \tau) d\tau$$

f) $\underbrace{Z(t_0)}_{Z(0)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) \underbrace{y(t_0 - \tau)}_{y(-\tau)} d\tau$



$$Z(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) y(-\tau) d\tau$$

$$Z(1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) y(1-\tau) d\tau$$



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

$$= Z(-\infty)$$

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

$$Z(t) =$$

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

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

$$t - \textcircled{s} = u$$

$$s = \textcircled{t} - u.$$

s	u
$-\infty$	$t + \infty = \infty$
∞	$t - \infty = -\infty$

$$ds = -du$$

$$- \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underline{x(t-u)} \underline{y(u)} du$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underline{y(u)} \underline{x(t-u)} du$$

$$\underline{x(t) * y(t)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(s) y(t-s) ds$$

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$$\underline{y(t) * x(t)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y(s) x(t-s) ds$$

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$$\underline{x(t)}.$$

Associative.

$$(x(t) * y(t)) * z(t) \\ = x(t) * (y(t) * z(t))$$

Distributive.

$$x(t) * (y_1(t) + y_2(t)) \\ = (x(t) * y_1(t)) + (x(t) * y_2(t))$$

Properties

1) $\boxed{x(t) * \delta(t) = x(t)}$

$$\underbrace{x(t)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{x(s)} \underbrace{\delta(t-s)} ds \quad \checkmark \\ = x(t) * \delta(t)$$

2) $\boxed{x(t) * \delta(t-t_0) = x(t-t_0)}$

$$x(t) * y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{x(\tau)}_{\text{red}} \underbrace{y(t-\tau)}_{\text{red}} d\tau$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) \delta(t-t_0 - \tau) d\tau$$

$$= x(t-t_0)$$

Ex 2-1)

a)

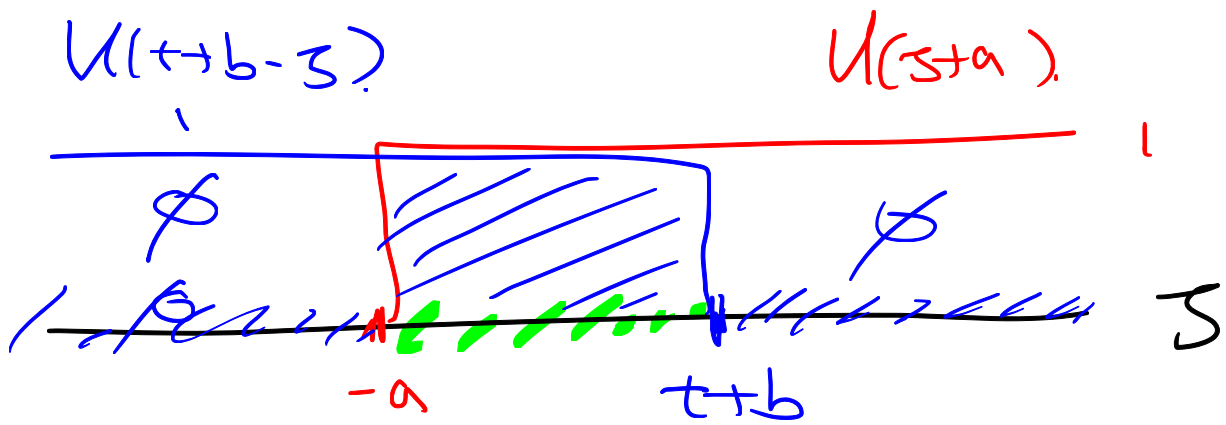
$$\underline{u(t+a)} * \underline{u(t+b)}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underline{u(\tau+a)} \underline{u(t+b-\tau)} d\tau$$

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

$$1 \text{ if } \tau+a > 0, \quad \tau > -a$$

$$1 \text{ if } t+b-\tau > 0; \quad \tau < t+b$$

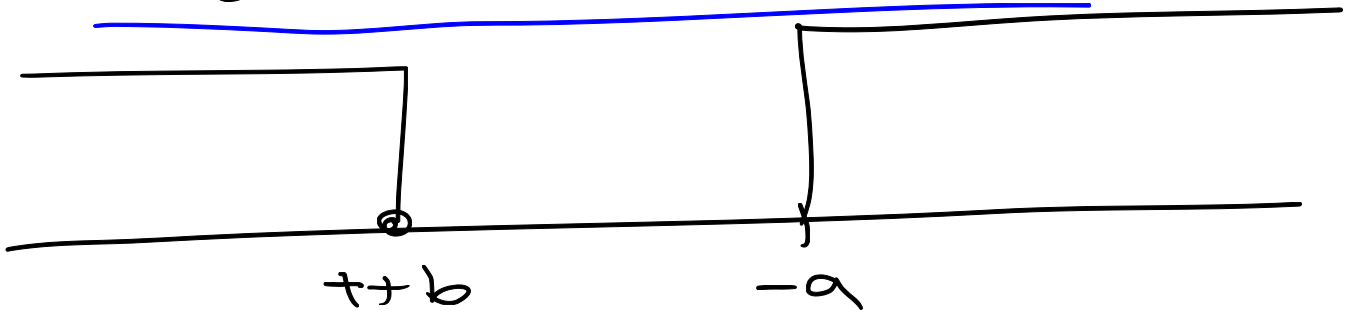


$$\text{if } t+b > -a \Leftrightarrow \boxed{t+b+a > 0}$$

$$U(z+a)U(t+b-z) = 1$$

$$\text{if } t+b \leq -a \quad \boxed{t+b+a \leq 0}$$

$$U(z+a)U(t+b-z) = 0$$



$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U(z+a)U(t+b-z) dz$$

$$= \begin{cases} \text{if } \boxed{t+b+a > 0} \\ \text{if } \boxed{t+b+a \leq 0} \end{cases} \int_{-a}^{t+b} 1 \cdot dz = t+b - (-a) = \boxed{t+b+a}$$

$$= U(t+b+a)(t+b+a)$$

$$\underline{U(t+a)} * \underline{U(t+b)}$$

$$= \underline{(t+a+b)} U(\underline{t+b+a})$$

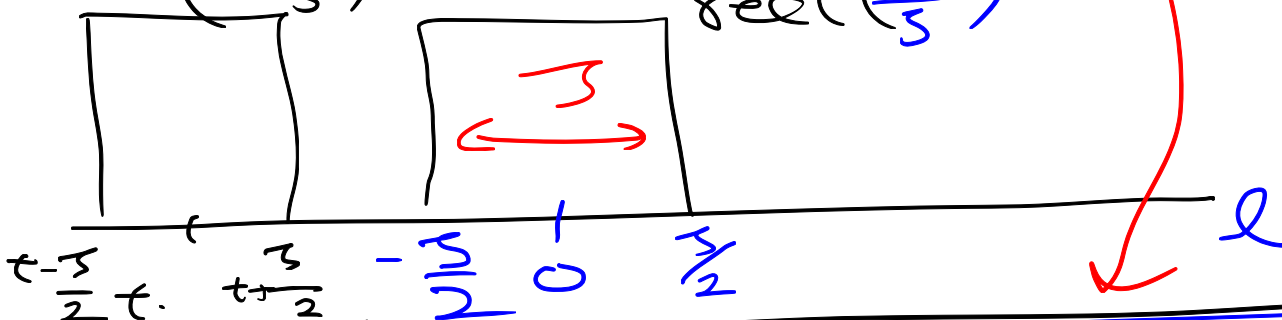
Ex 2-1)

$$\text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{3}\right) * \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{3}\right)$$

$$\text{rect}\left(\frac{t-l}{3}\right)$$

$$\text{rect}\left(\frac{l}{3}\right)$$

$$s > 0$$



$$\left(U\left(t+\frac{3}{2}\right) - U\left(t-\frac{3}{2}\right) \right) * \left(U\left(t+\frac{3}{2}\right) - U\left(t-\frac{3}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$= \boxed{U(t+\frac{\tau}{2}) * U(t+\frac{\tau}{2})} \rightarrow (t+\tau) U(t+\tau)$$

$$- \boxed{U(t+\frac{\tau}{2}) * U(t-\frac{\tau}{2})} \rightarrow (-t) U(t)$$

$$- \boxed{U(t-\frac{\tau}{2}) * U(t+\frac{\tau}{2})} \rightarrow -t U(t)$$

$$+ \boxed{U(t-\frac{\tau}{2}) * U(t-\frac{\tau}{2})} \rightarrow (t-\tau) U(t-\tau)$$

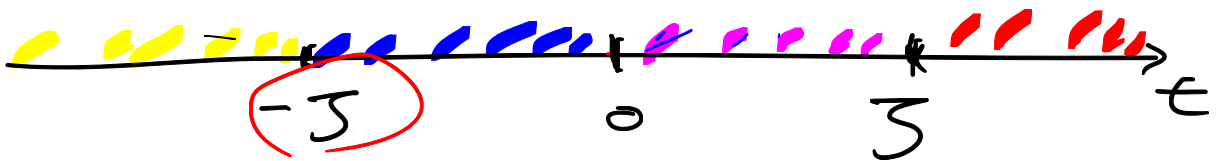
$a = -\frac{\tau}{2} \quad b = -\frac{\tau}{2}$

$$- \boxed{(t+\tau) U(t+\tau)} - 2t U(t) + \boxed{(t-\tau) U(t-\tau)}$$

Case 1) if $t < -\tau \Rightarrow \emptyset$

Case 2) if $-\tau < t < 0 \Rightarrow (t+\tau)$

Case 3) if $0 < t < \tau \Rightarrow (t+\tau) \cdot 1 - 2t \cdot 1$



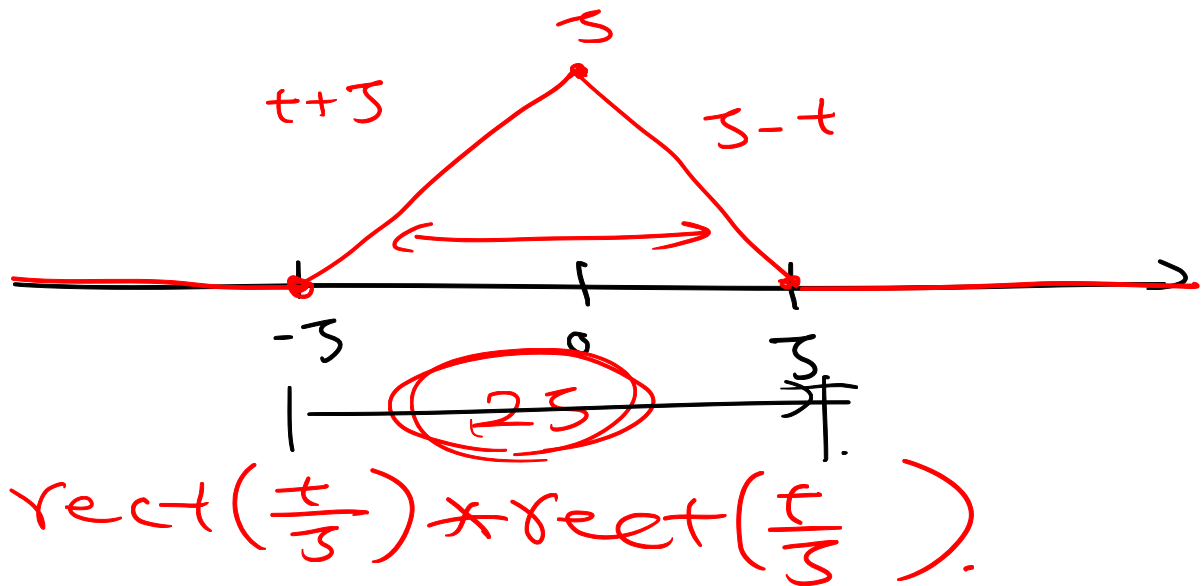
$$\Rightarrow t + \tau - 2t$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau - t$$

Case 4) if $t > \tau \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow (t+\tau) - 2t + (t-\tau)$$

$$= \emptyset$$



Ex 2-1)

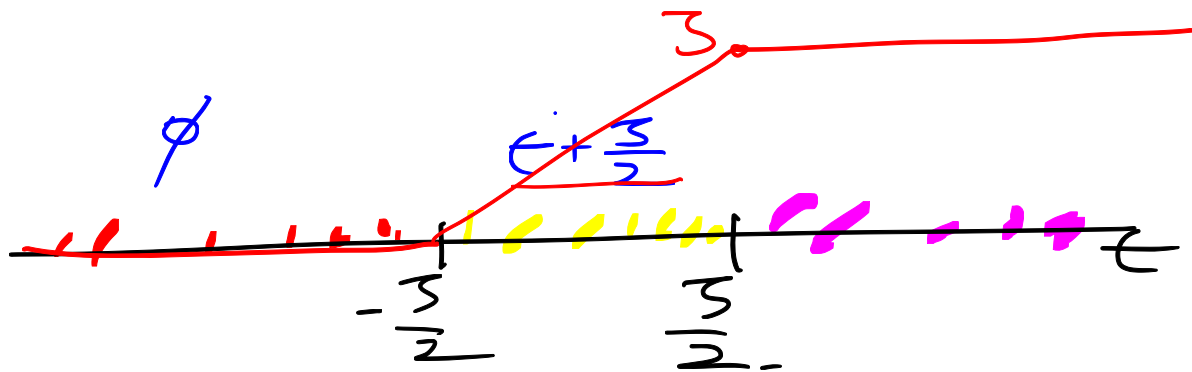
3) $\boxed{\text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{3}\right) * u(t)}$

$\Rightarrow \left(u\left(t + \frac{3}{2}\right) - u\left(t - \frac{3}{2}\right) \right) * u(t)$

$\rightarrow u\left(t + \frac{3}{2}\right) * u(t) - u\left(t - \frac{3}{2}\right) * u(t)$

$\underbrace{a = +\frac{3}{2}} \quad \underbrace{b = 0} \quad \underbrace{a = -\frac{3}{2}} \quad \underbrace{b = 0}$

$\boxed{\left(t + \frac{3}{2}\right) u\left(t + \frac{3}{2}\right)} - \boxed{\left(t - \frac{3}{2}\right) u\left(t - \frac{3}{2}\right)}$



$\text{if } -\frac{3}{2} < t < \frac{3}{2}, \quad t + \frac{3}{2}$

$\text{if } t > \frac{3}{2}, \quad t + \frac{3}{2} - \left(t - \frac{3}{2}\right) = \underline{3}$

$$\delta(t) * \delta(t) = \delta(t)$$

$$\delta(t) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau) u(t-\tau) d\tau$$

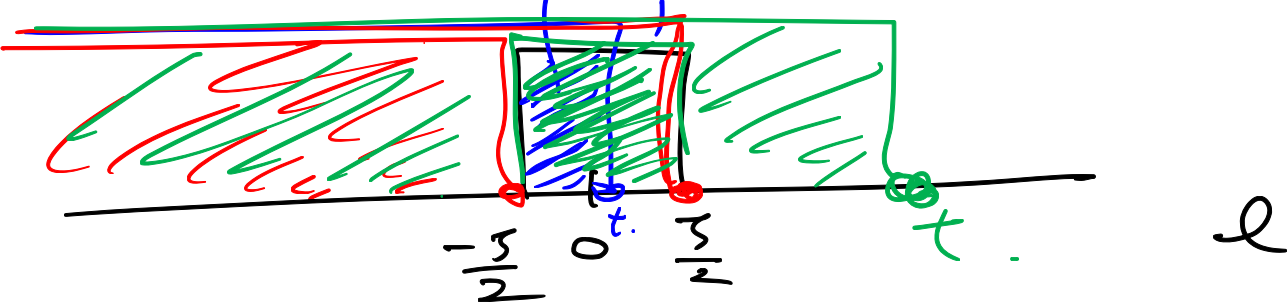
$$0 \text{ if } \tau > t$$

$$= 1 \text{ if } t-\tau > 0 \\ \Rightarrow \tau < t$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{3}\right) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \text{rect}\left(\frac{\tau}{3}\right) d\tau$$

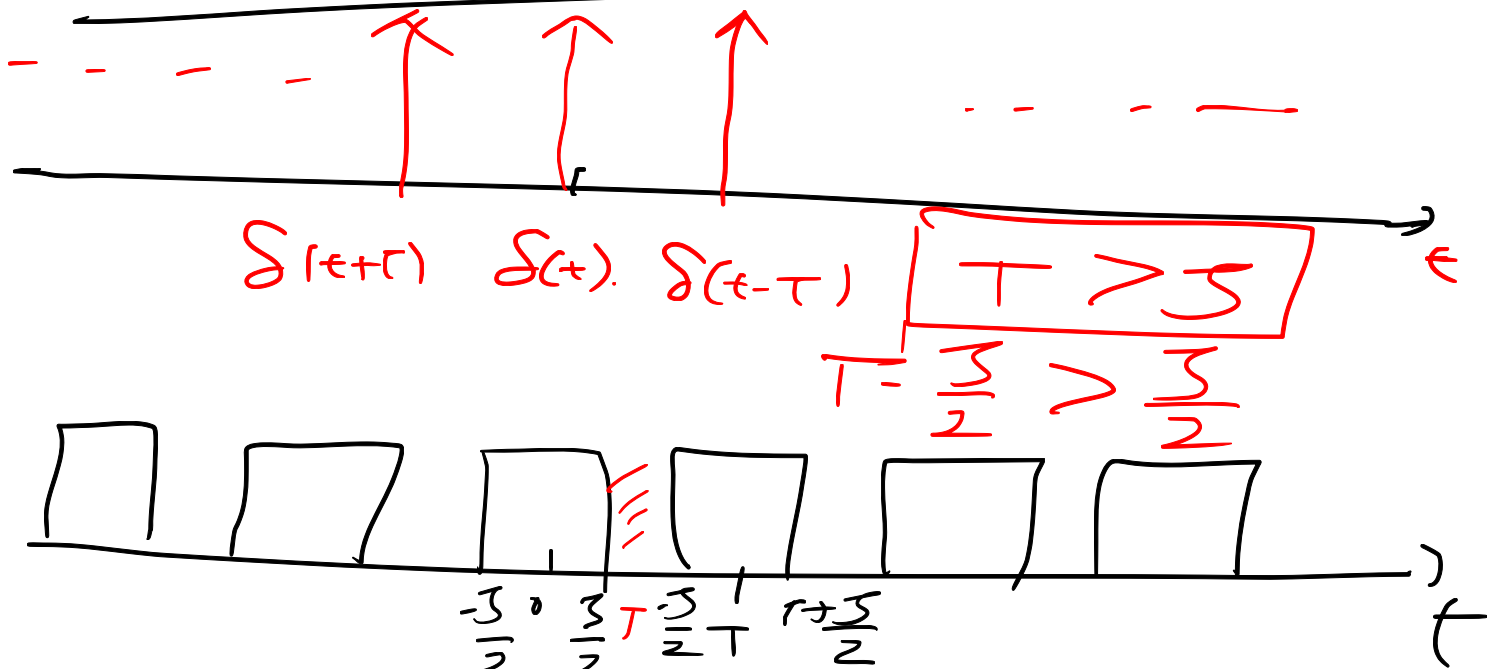
$$t - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) = t + \frac{3}{2}$$



$$\delta(t) * u(t-t_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{t-t_0} \delta(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{T}\right) * \delta_T(t)$$

$$\delta_T(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT)$$



$$\text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{T}\right) * \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT) \quad nT = t_0$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{T}\right) * \delta(t - nT) \right]$$

$$x(t) * \delta(t - t_0)$$

$$= x(t - t_0)$$

$$= \text{rect}\left(\frac{t - nT}{T}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \text{rect}\left(\frac{t - nT}{T}\right)$$