

2 Linear Time-Invariant Systems

Major References:

- Chapter 2, *Signals and Systems* by Alan V. Oppenheim et. al., 2nd edition, Prentice Hall
- Chapter 2, *Schaum's Outline of Signals and Systems*, 2nd Edition, 2010, McGraw-Hill

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

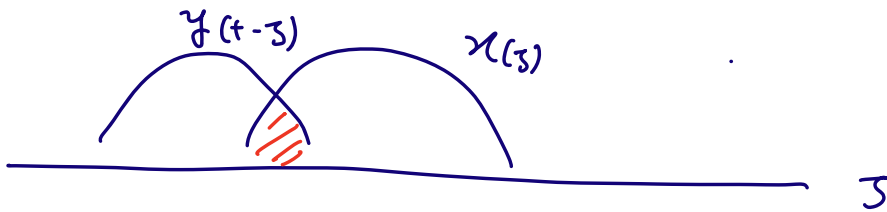
d) $x(t) * u(t - t_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{t-t_0} x(\tau) d\tau$

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 .

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

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

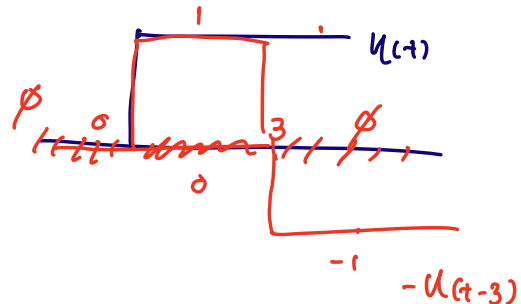
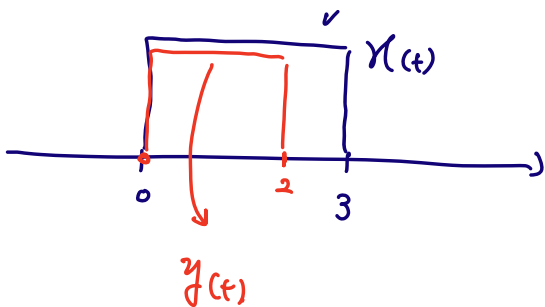
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) y(t-\tau) d\tau$$



Ex 2-1)

4). $x(t) * y(t)$

$$u(t+a) * u(t+b) = (t+a+b) u(t+a+b)$$



$$\Rightarrow x(t) * y(t) = (u(t) - u(t-3)) * (u(t) - u(t-2))$$

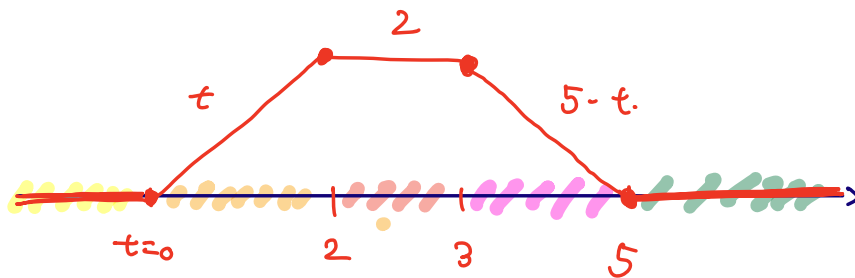
$$= \underbrace{u(t) * u(t)}_{a=b=0} + u(t)$$

$$- \underbrace{u(t) * u(t-2)}_{a=0, b=-2} - (t-2) u(t-2)$$

$$- \underbrace{u(t-3) * u(t)}_{a=-3, b=0} - (t-3) u(t-3)$$

$$+ \underbrace{u(t-3) * u(t-2)}_{a=-3, b=-2} (t-5) u(t-5)$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) * y(t) = \underbrace{t u(t) - (t-2) u(t-2) - (t-3) u(t-3) + (t-5) u(t-5)}$$



$$t < 0, \quad \phi$$

$$t > 5, \quad \cancel{t \cdot 1} - \cancel{(t-2) \cdot 1} - \cancel{(t-3) \cdot 1} + \cancel{(t-5) \cdot 1} = \phi$$

$$0 < t < 2 \Rightarrow t \cdot 1 - \phi = t$$

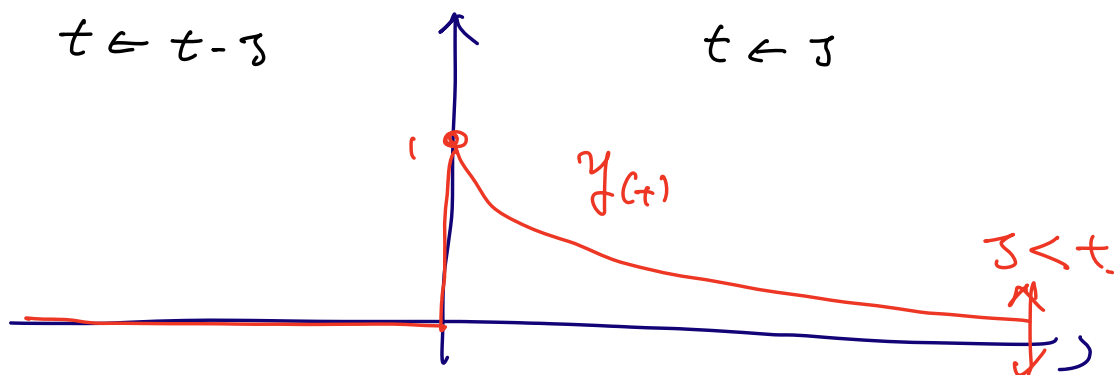
$$2 < t < 3 \Rightarrow t - (t-2) = 2$$

$$3 < t < 5 \Rightarrow \underline{t - (t-2) - (t-3)} = 2 - (t-3) = 5 - t$$

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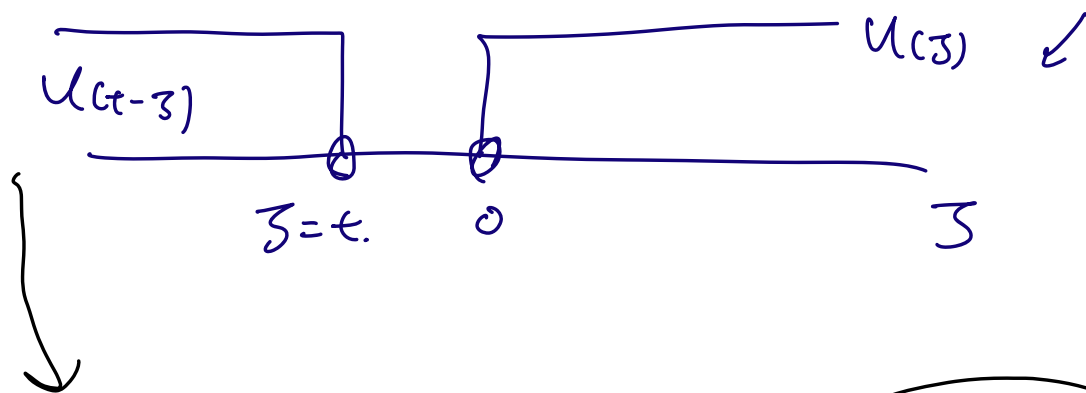
$$1. \quad x(t) * y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) y(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$x(t) = u(t), \quad y(t) = e^{-\alpha t} u(t), \quad \alpha > 0$$



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

$$g(\tau) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < \tau < t \\ 0, & \text{if } t \leq 0. \end{cases}$$



$$\Rightarrow \int_0^t e^{-\alpha z} \cdot 1 \cdot dz$$

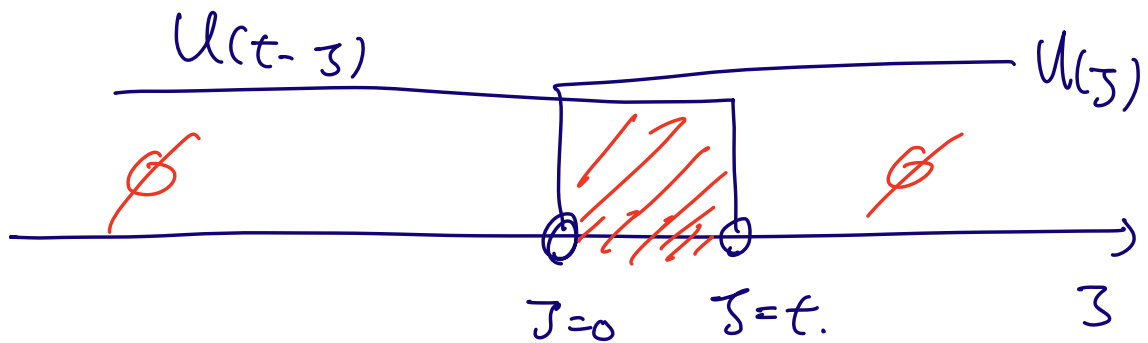
if $t > 0$.

$$= \frac{1}{\alpha} e^{-\alpha z} \Big|_t^0 = \frac{1}{\alpha} (1 - e^{-\alpha t})$$

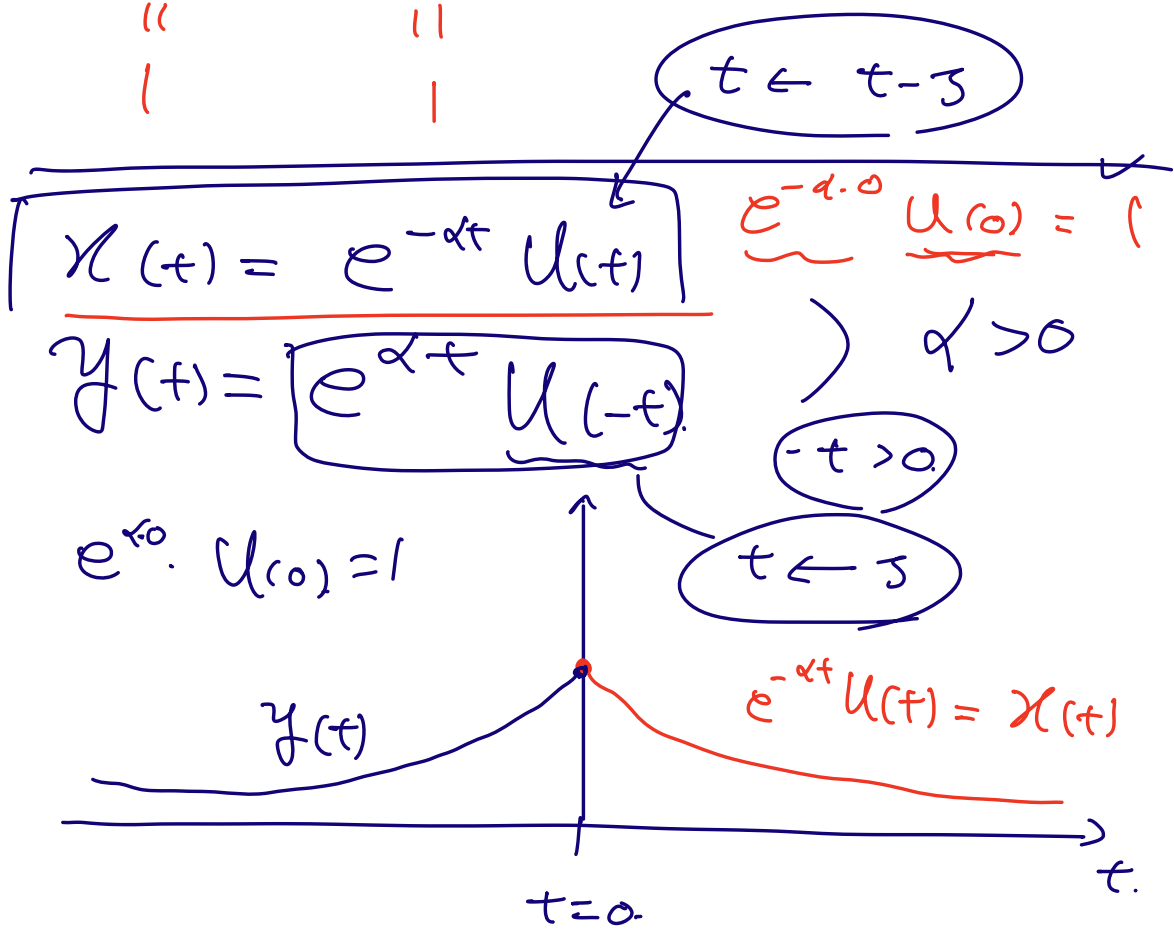
$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \textcircled{\text{ // }} \cdot \phi \cdot dz = \phi$$

if $t < 0$.

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} (1 - e^{-\alpha t}) u(t) = x(t) * y(t)$$



$$\underbrace{u(\tau)}_1 \cdot \underbrace{u(t-\tau)}_1 = 1$$



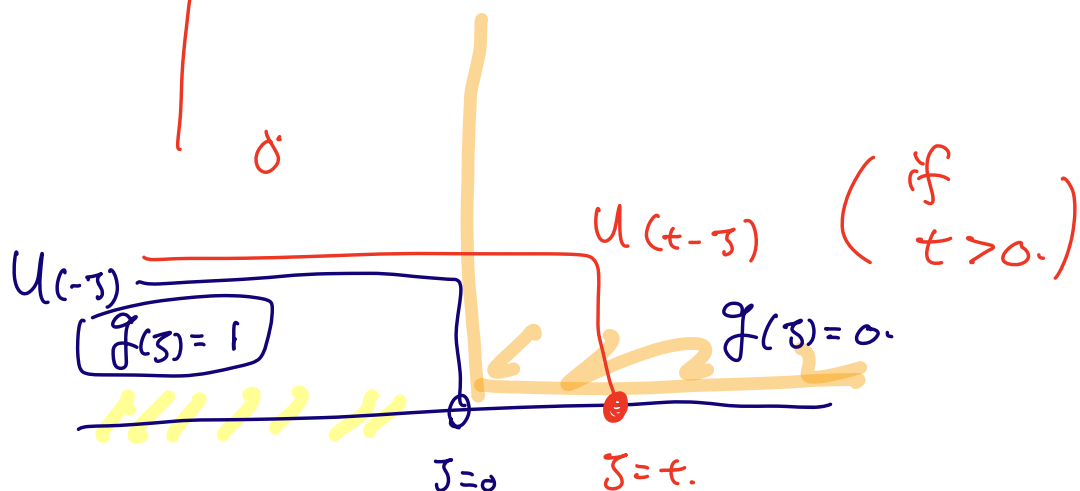
$$x(t) \neq y(t)$$

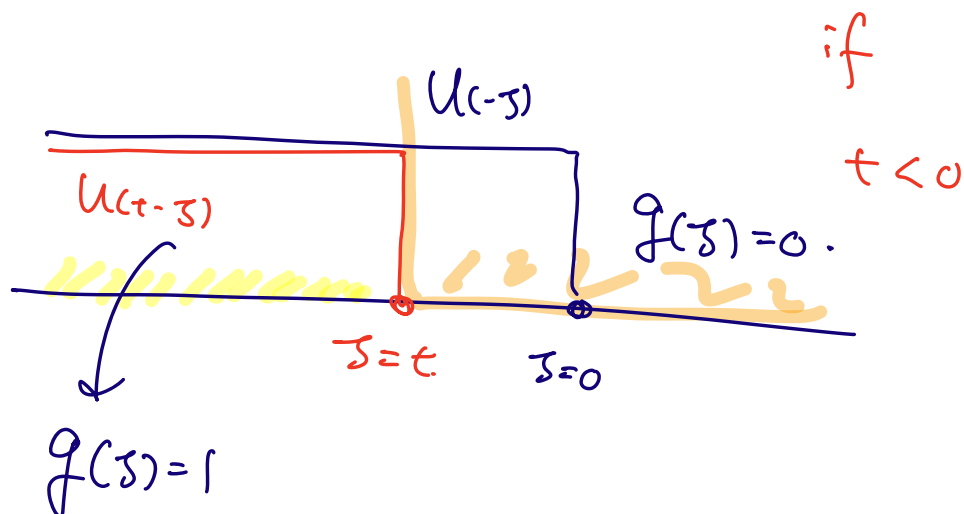
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{(e^{\alpha \tau} u(-\tau))}_{\text{red}} \underbrace{(e^{-\alpha(t-\tau)} u(t-\tau))}_{\text{red}} d\tau$$

$$\exp(\alpha \tau - \alpha t + \alpha \tau) = e^{2\alpha \tau} \cdot \boxed{e^{-\alpha t}}$$

$$= e^{-\alpha t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\alpha \tau} \cdot \underbrace{\underbrace{u(-\tau) u(t-\tau)}_{\text{red}}}_{\substack{\tau < 0 \\ -\tau > 0} \quad \substack{\tau < t \\ t-\tau > 0}}_{\substack{\text{red} \\ f(\tau)}} d\tau \quad (1)$$

$$f(\tau) = \begin{cases} 1 \\ 0 \end{cases}$$





if $t > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} &= e^{-\alpha t} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{2\alpha \tau} d\tau \\ &= \boxed{e^{-\alpha t} \cdot \frac{1}{2\alpha}} \end{aligned}$$

if $t < 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} &= e^{-\alpha t} \int_{-\infty}^t e^{2\alpha \tau} d\tau \\ &= e^{-\alpha t} \cdot \frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{2\alpha t} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{\alpha t} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) * y(t) = \frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{-\alpha|t|}.$$