

Lecture 4

Exponential, sinusoids, complex exponentials, and
the delta function

Systems, Time invariance, linearity

Complex exponential signals

- ◆ General form of complex exponential

$$x(t) = Ce^{at}$$

- ◆ Simplifying with $C = |C|e^{j\theta}$ and $a = r + j\omega_0$

$$x(t) = |C|e^{j\theta}e^{rt+j\omega_0t}$$

$$= |C|e^{rt}e^{j(\omega_0t+\theta)}$$

not
periodic

- ◆ Complex sinusoid is the special case $r = 0$

$$x(t) = |C|e^{j(\omega_0t+\theta)}$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

Example

- ◆ Suppose $C = 0.25 e^{j0.2\pi}$
 $a = \underbrace{0.5}_{\omega_0} + j \underbrace{2\pi 1000}_{\omega_0}$

- ◆ Determine

$$x(t) = \underbrace{0.25 e^{t/2}}_{\text{envelope}} \underbrace{e^{j(2\pi 1000 t + 0.2\pi)}}_{\text{unwrapped phase}}$$

$$\text{Re}\{x(t)\} = \underbrace{0.25 e^{t/2}}_{\text{envelope}} \cos(2\pi 1000 t + 0.2\pi)$$

$$|x(t)| = 0.25 e^{t/2}$$

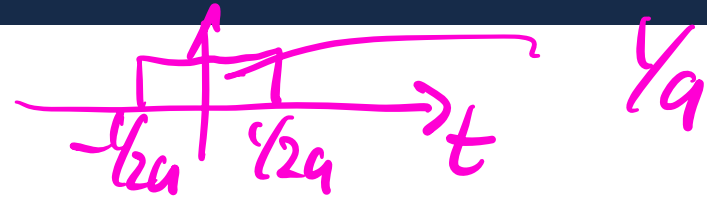
$$\angle x(t) = 0 + 0 + \underbrace{2\pi 1000 t + 0.2\pi}_{\text{unwrapped phase}}$$

$$0.25 e^{t/2} \cos(2\pi 1000 t + 0.2\pi)$$

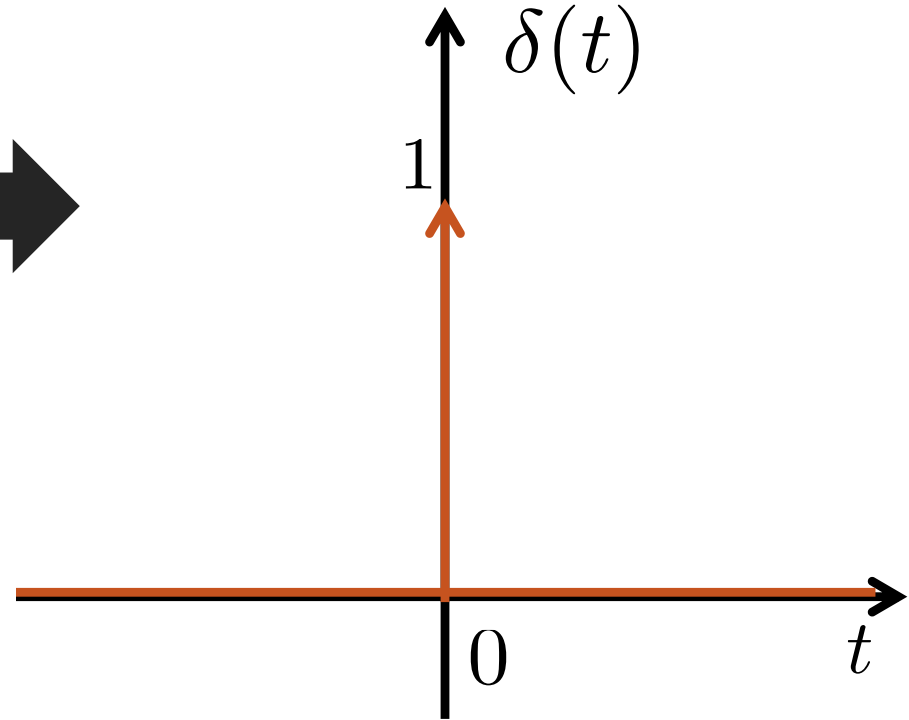
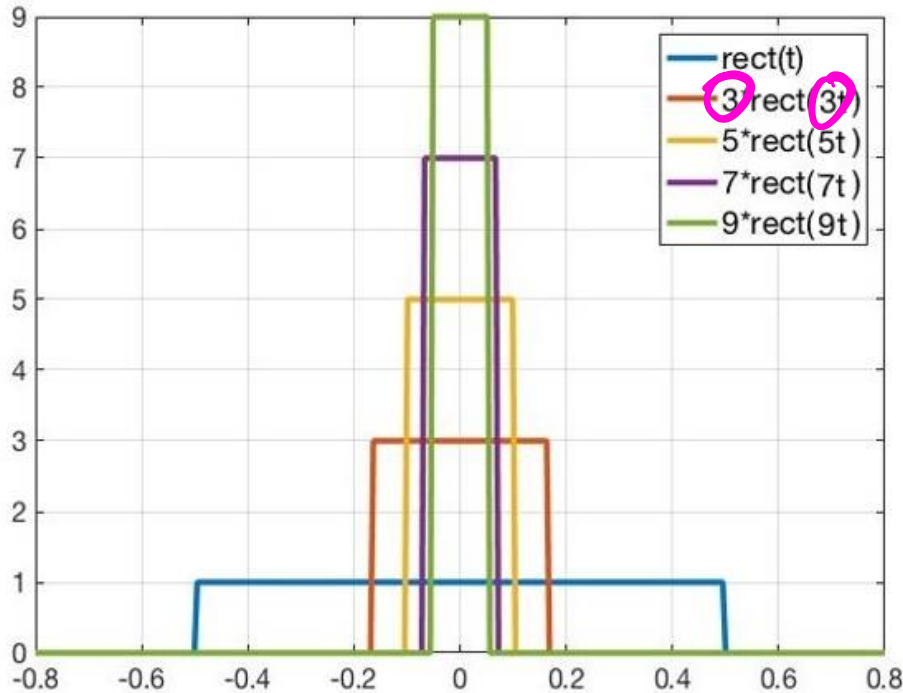
Delta function

$\text{rect}(at)$

$at = 1/2$



Dirac delta or unit-impulse function



Delta function as the limit of a sequence of every narrowing unit energy rectangles

Summary of the delta function

- ◆ Sifting with deltas pulls out the signal value but leaves the delta

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

- ◆ Integrating with deltas eliminates the delta and gives a value

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)\delta(t - t_0)dt = x(t_0)$$

- ◆ Other properties

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t)dt = 1$$

$$\delta(at) = \frac{1}{|a|}\delta(t)$$

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$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t_0)\delta(t - t_0)dt = x(t_0) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - t_0)dt$$

Examples

◆ Simplify the following

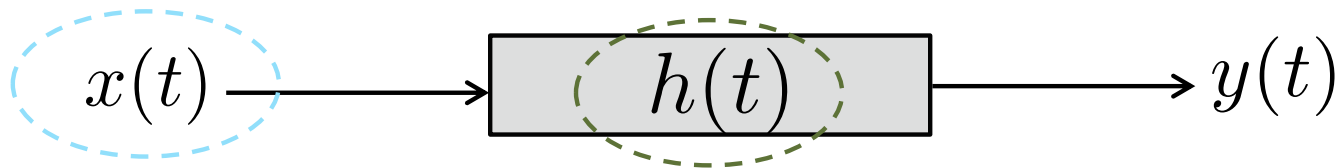
$$\textcircled{1} (3r^2 + 2r + 1)\delta(r - 1) = (3 \cdot 1^2 + 2 \cdot 1 + 1)\delta(r - 1) \\ = \boxed{6\delta(r - 1)} \textcircled{1}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (3r^2 + 2r + 1)\delta(r - 1)dr = 6 \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{3} 3r^2\delta(2r) = 3r^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \delta(r) = \frac{3r^2}{2} \cdot \delta(r - 0) \\ = \frac{3 \cdot 0^2}{2} \cdot \delta(r) = 0 \textcircled{3}$$

Connections back to ECE 45

Lectures 2 - 3 working with signals



Lectures 4 - 7 LTI systems in the time domain

Lectures 11-12 LTI systems in the frequency domain



Lectures 8 - 10 Fourier series

Lectures 13 - 17 Fourier transform

Fourier

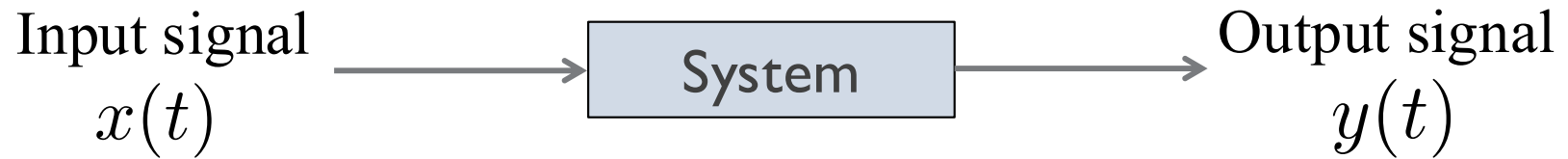
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1	1/7	Signals	Signals, systems, circuits and phasors	1.1	HW1	
2	1/9	Signals	Rectangle, step functions, signal transformations, periodic, even and odd	1.2	HW2	HW1
3	1/14	Signals	Exponential, sinusoids, complex exponentials, Dirac Delta	1.3 - 1.4		
4	1/16	LTI in time	Systems, linearity, time invariance	1.6.5, 1.6.6	HW3	HW2
5	1/21	LTI in time	Impulse response and convolution	2.2		
6	1/23	LTI in time	Convolution with a sinusoid, connection to phasors	2.2	HW4	HW3
7	1/28	LTI in time	Convolution properties	2.3		
8	1/30	Fourier series	Fourier series	3.1 - 3.3	HW5	HW4
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9	2/6	Fourier series	Fourier series convergence and properties	3.4	HW6	HW5
10	2/11	Fourier series	Fourier series properties	3.5		
11	2/13	LTI in frequency	Frequency response of LTI systems	3.9	HW7	HW6
12	2/18	LTI in frequency	Filters, bode plots	3.10, 6.2.3		
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Introduction to **Systems**

Learning objectives

- Describe the output of the systems in terms of their inputs
- Give examples of continuous-time systems

Continuous-time systems



Amplifier (or all-pass amplifier)

$$\cos(24\pi t)$$

$$x(t)$$



$$A > 0 \text{ "good"}$$

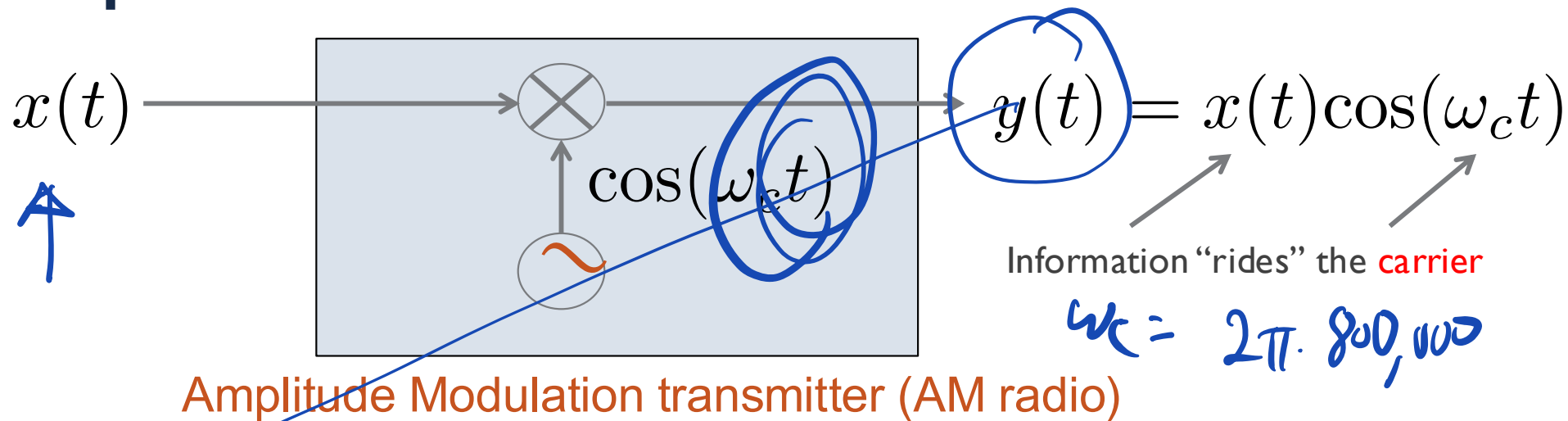
$$A \cos(24\pi t)$$

$$y(t) = Ax(t)$$

◆ A is the gain $A > 0$

◆ Passes all input frequencies equally (makes more sense w/ Fourier)

Amplitude modulation



◆ At the receiver:

$$(x(t) \cos(\omega_c t)) \cos(\omega_c t) = \cos^2(\omega_c t) x(t)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2\omega_c t)) x(t)$$

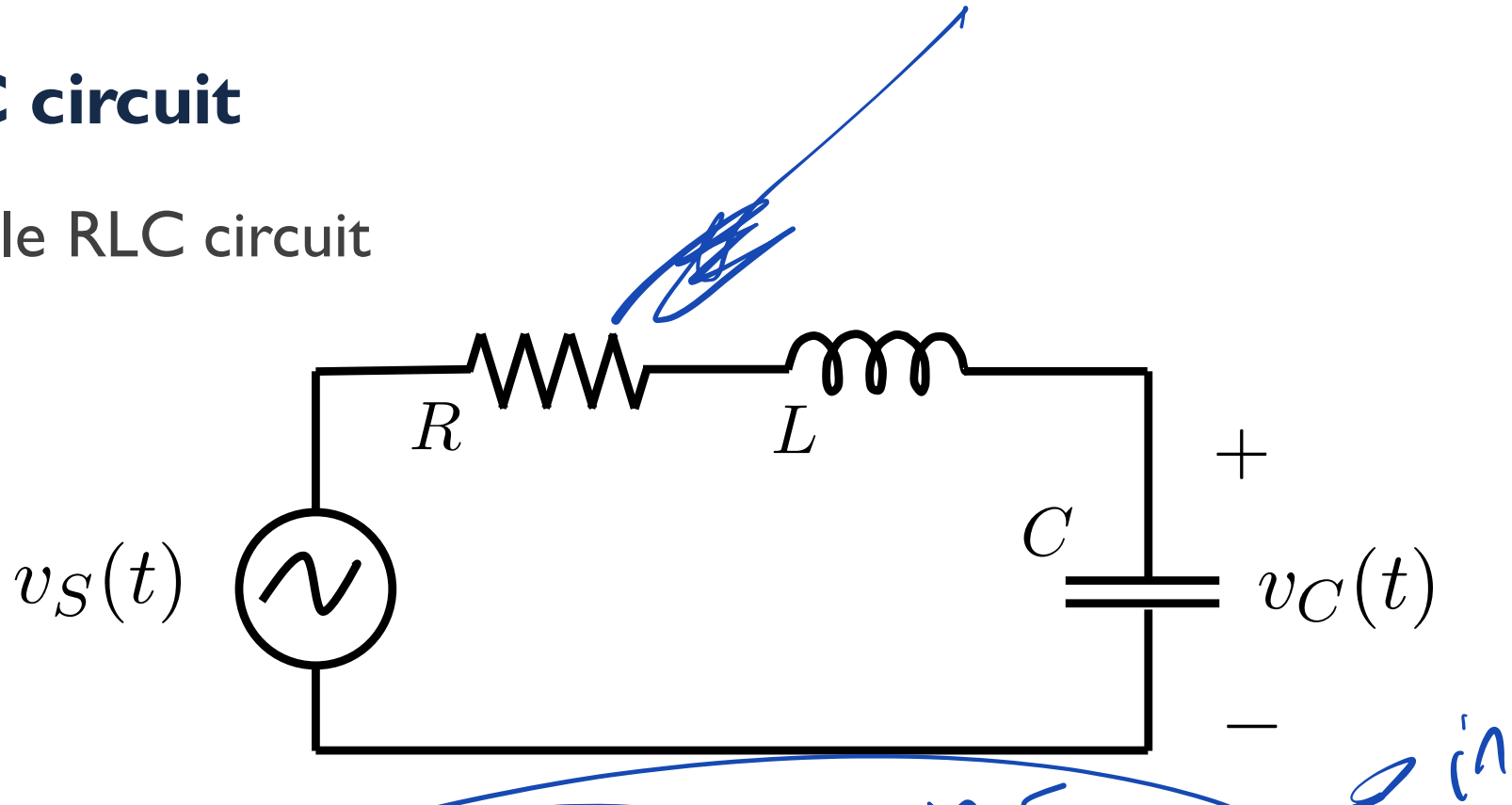
$$\longrightarrow x(t)$$

Filter out
high frequencies

Note: The filter operation only works for certain bandlimited signals $x(t)$, not true in general (we will cover concepts of filtering and bandlimited in subsequent lectures)

RLC circuit

Example RLC circuit

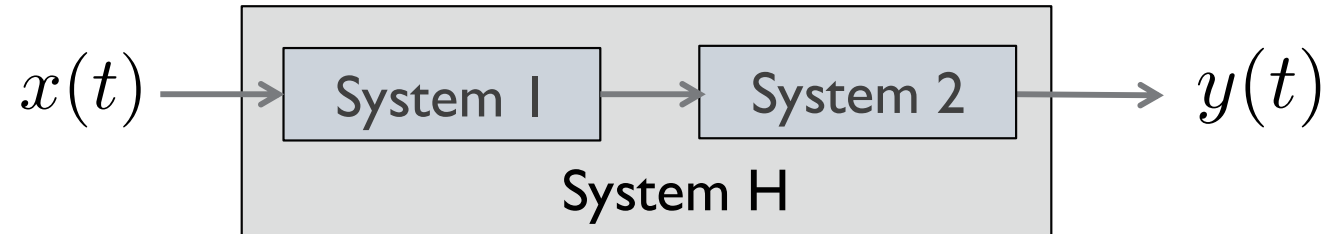


$$LC \frac{d^2 v_C(t)}{dt^2} + RC \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} + v_C(t) = v_S(t)$$

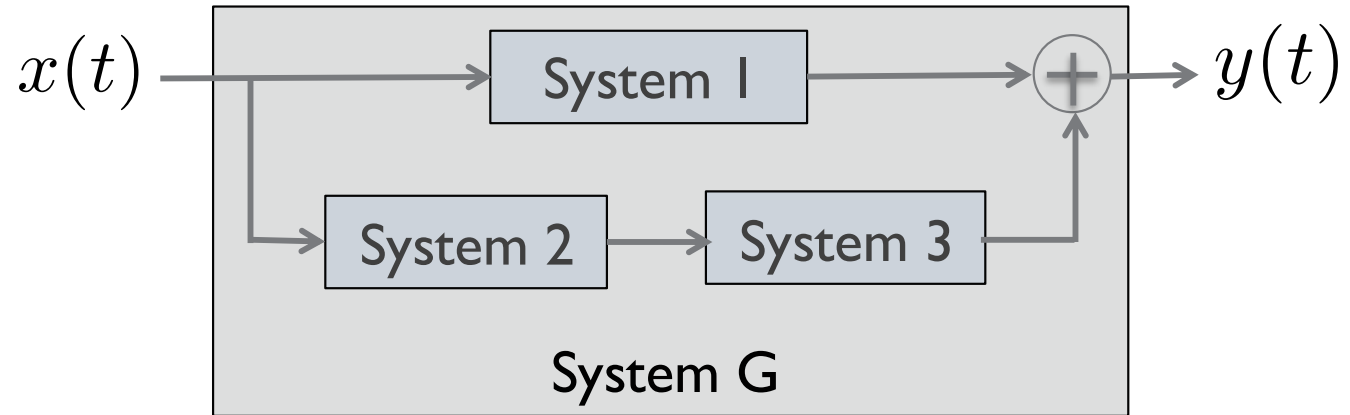
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Inter-connected systems – “systems-of-systems”

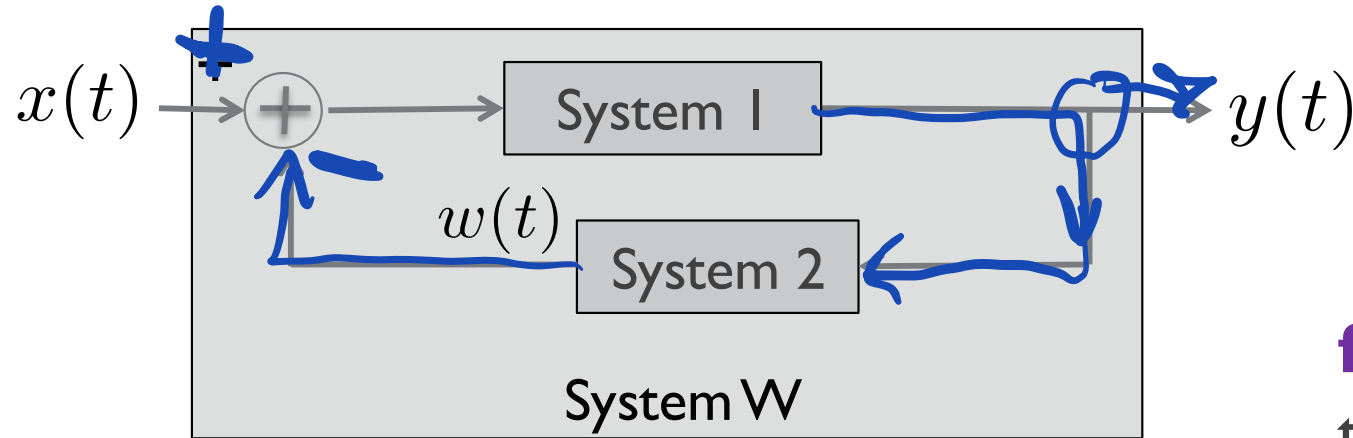
Serial



Parallel



Interconnected systems with feedback



feedback is when the output goes back into the input

Feedback is used in control systems

System introduction in summary

- ◆ A system is a functional unit that relates an input signal to an output signal
- ◆ Systems can be described in many ways including mathematically or via a block diagram
- ◆ Continuous-time systems have continuous inputs and outputs

Time invariance

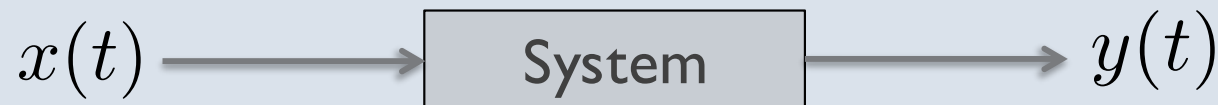
Learning objectives

- Determine if a system is time invariant or time varying

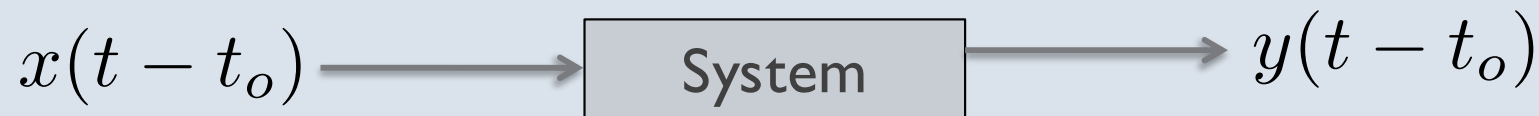
Time invariant (TI)

A system is **time invariant** if behaves in the same way regardless of the current time

Formally: consider the system



If

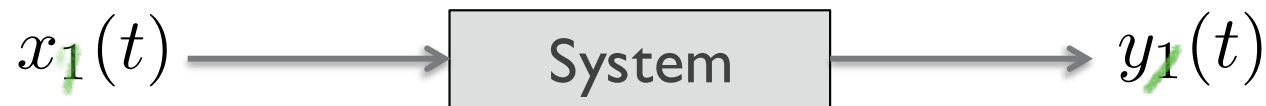


For all t_o then the system is time invariant otherwise it is time varying.

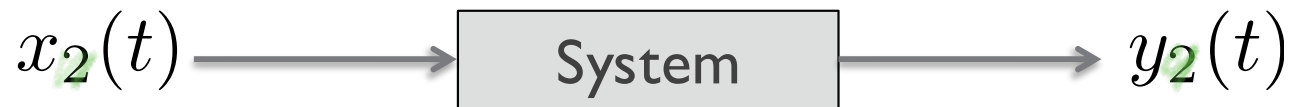
How to check if the system is time-invariant?

◆ Method #1 (direct approach)

★ Consider the system



★ Apply the shifted input $x_2(t) = x_1(t - t_0)$



★ Does the $y_2(t) = y_1(t - t_0)$? If yes, the system is TI

$\forall t_0$

How to check if the system is time-invariant?

- ◆ Method #2 (counter example)

If we suspect the system is time variant, find an example where time invariance fails “a counterexample”

- ★ This method is often quicker

- ◆ Note:

- ★ If you can not find a counter example, then you have to use Method 1

- ★ The counter example is just a simple way to **disprove** TI

- ◆ Hint: Usually, but not always, if the output includes any function of time other than $x(t)$, it is time-varying

Time invariance example I

System described by $y(t) = 3tx(t - 3)$

$$y_1(t) = 3tx_1(t - 3) \quad \text{Output for generic input } x_1(t)$$

$$y_2(t) = 3tx_2(t - 3) \quad \text{Output for generic input } x_2(t)$$

Now, let: $x_2(t) = x_1(t - t_0)$

$$y_2(t) = 3tx_1(t - t_0 - 3)$$

$$y_1(t - t_0) = 3(t - t_0)x_1(t - t_0 - 3)$$

As $y_2(t)$ does not match $y_1(t - t_0) \rightarrow$ time-variant system

Time invariance example 2

System described by $y(t) = x(t)x(t - 1)$

$$y_1(t) = x_1(t)x_1(t - 1)$$

$$y_2(t) = x_2(t)x_2(t - 1)$$

Let $x_2(t) = x_1(t - t_0)$

$$y_2(t) = x_1(t - t_0)x_1(t - t_0 - 1)$$

$$= y_1(t - t_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(t - t_0) &= x_1(t - t_0) \\ &\quad \times x_1(t - t_0 - 1) \end{aligned}$$

The system is time invariant (TI)

Time invariance example 3

System with AM modulation $y(t) = x(t) \cos(\omega_c t)$

Counterexample, let $x_1(t) = \delta(t), x_2(t) = \delta(t - \frac{\pi}{2\omega_c})$

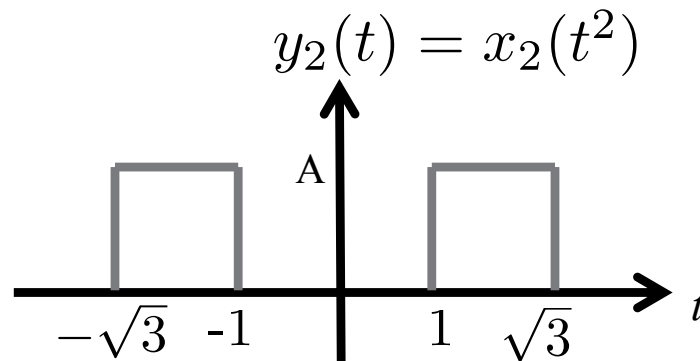
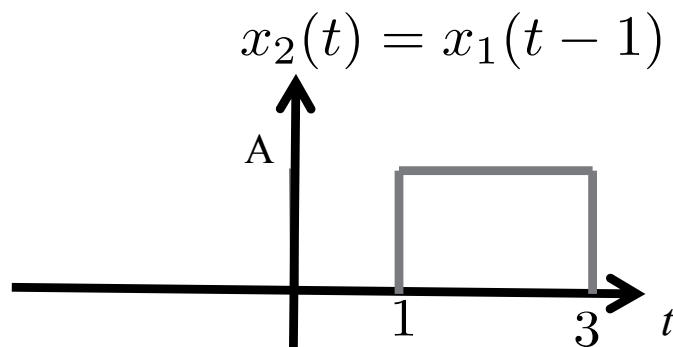
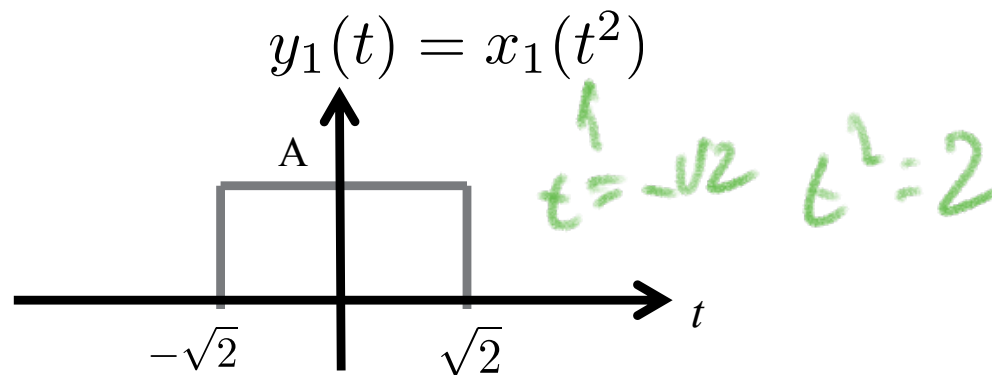
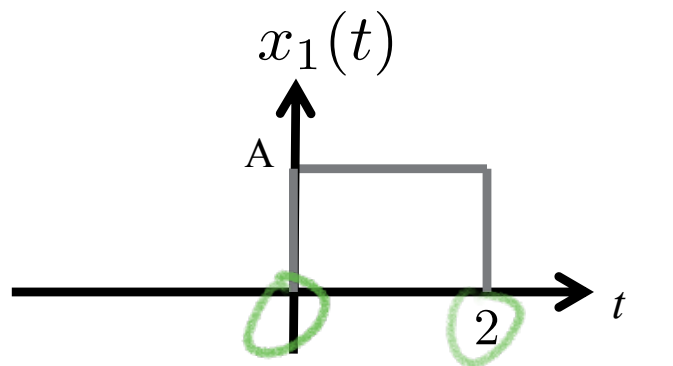
$$y_1(t) = \delta(t)$$

$$y_2(t) = \delta\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2\omega_c}\right) \cos(\omega_c t) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_2(t) &\neq y_1\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2\omega_c}\right) \\ &= \delta\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2\omega_c}\right) \end{aligned} \quad \text{Time-variant}$$

Time invariance example 4

$$y(t) = x(t^2)$$



Time-variant

(hint didn't work, Method 1 also tricky to see)

Time invariance summary

- ◆ A system is time invariant if behaves in the same way regardless of the current time
- ◆ Time invariant systems are much easier to design and analyze compared to time varying systems
- ◆ The main way to check time invariance is to shift the input and see if the output is always shifted
- ◆ A counter example is sufficient to show a system is not time invariant

Linearity

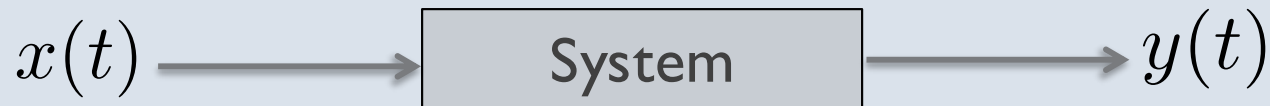
Learning objectives

- Determine if a system is linear or nonlinear
- Understand sub-properties of superposition and scaling

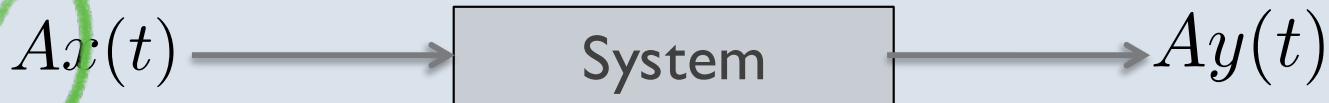
Scaling the input

If a system obeys the scaling property, then scaled inputs lead to scaled outputs

Consider the following system:



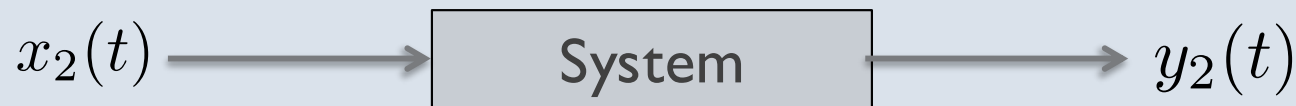
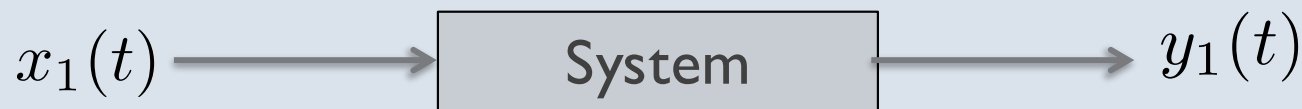
If the scaling property is satisfied then for any scalar value A



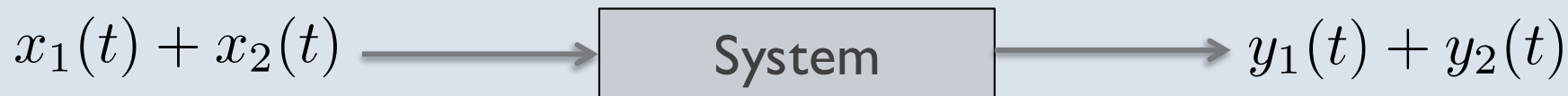
Superposition property

If a system obeys the superposition property, then system acts in the same way onto each system

If for two different inputs:



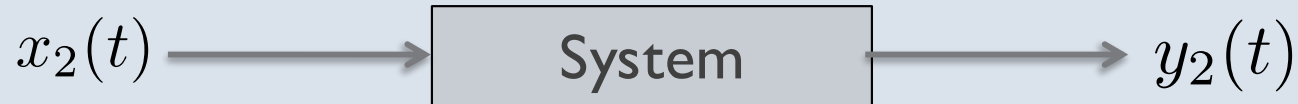
then **superposition** holds if for input $x(t) = x_1(t) + x_2(t)$ then:



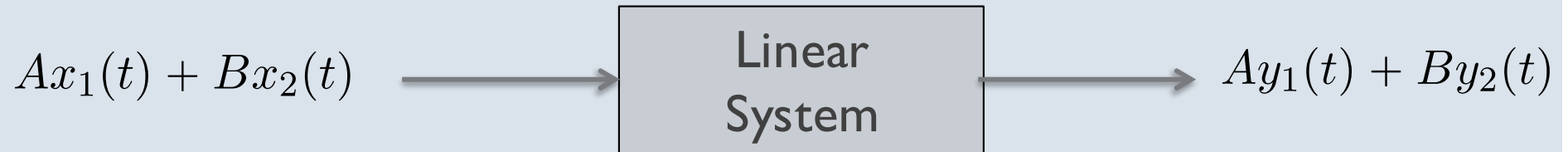
Linear systems

A system is **linear** if scaling is preserved and superposition holds

Consider two different inputs and outputs



If the following holds for any scalar A and B then the system is **linear**



How to check if the system linear?

◆ Direction approach

★ Check that scaling holds $Ax(t) \longrightarrow Ay(t)$

★ Check the superposition holds $x_1(t) + x_2(t) \longrightarrow y_1(t) + y_2(t)$

◆ Slightly faster direct approach

★ Check that $Ax_1(t) + Bx_2(t) \longrightarrow Ay_1(t) + By_2(t)$

◆ Find a counter example

★ One that may be useful (from the scaling property)



★ If a system generates a non-zero output to a signal that is zero for all time then it is non-linear

Linearity example I

$$y(t) = x(t)x(t-1)$$

Let us check if the scaling property holds $x_1(t) = Ax(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(t) &= x_1(t)Ax_1(t-1) \\ &= Ax(t)Ax(t-1) \\ &= A^2x(t)x(t-1) \\ &\neq Ay(t) \end{aligned}$$

Scaling fails → **Nonlinear**

Linearity example I – alternative solution

Consider inputs

$$y(t) = x(t)x(t-1)$$

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow y_1(t) = x_1(t)x_1(t-1)$$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow y_2(t) = x_2(t)x_2(t-1)$$

$$x_3(t) = Ax_1(t) + Bx_2(t)$$

Note that

Nonlinear

$$y_3(t) = x_3(t)x_3(t-1)$$

$$= (Ax_1(t) + Bx_2(t))(Ax_1(t-1) + Bx_2(t-1))$$

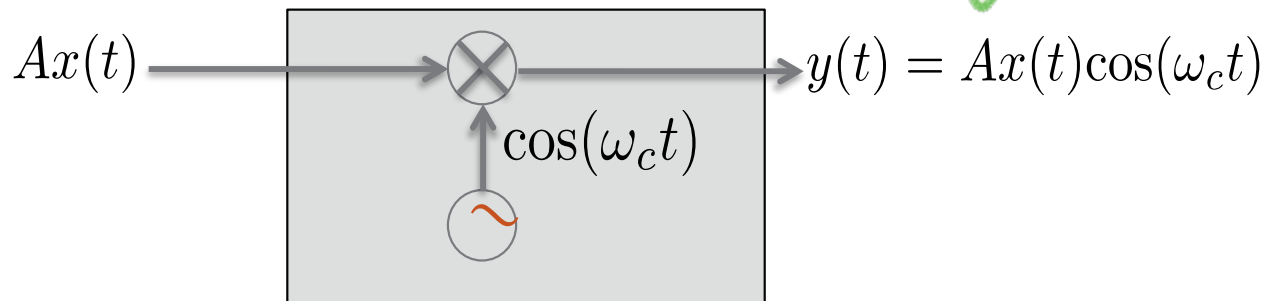
$$= A^2x_1(t) + B^2x_2(t) + ABx_1(t)x_2(t-1) + ABx_1(t-1)x_2(t)$$

$$\neq Ay_1(t) + By_2(t) = Ax_1(t)x_1(t-1) + Bx_2(t)x_2(t-1)$$

Linearity example 2

System with AM modulation

Scaling is preserved



What about superposition?

$$y_1(t) = x_1(t) \cos \omega_c t$$

$$y_2(t) = x_2(t) \cos \omega_c t$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) = x_1(t) + x_2(t) &\longrightarrow y(t) = (x_1(t) + x_2(t)) \cos \omega_c t \\ &= x_1(t) \cos \omega_c t + x_2(t) \cos \omega_c t \\ &= y_1(t) + y_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

Linear system

Linearity example 3

- ◆ Consider the affine system

$$y[n] = 2x[n] + 1$$

- ◆ Suppose that

$$x_1[n] \rightarrow y_1[n]$$

$$x_2[n] \rightarrow y_2[n] \text{ where } x_2[n] = Ax_1[n]$$

- ◆ Now observe that

$$\begin{aligned} y_2[n] &= 2x_2[n] + 1 \\ &= 2Ax_1[n] + 1 \\ &\neq Ay_1[n] \end{aligned}$$



Scaling does not hold
therefore is a **nonlinear
system**

Linearity summary

- ◆ A system linear if *scaled inputs* lead to *scaled outputs* and the *sum of inputs* leads to a *sum of outputs* if the inputs were applied separately
- ◆ Linear systems are easier to design and analyze
- ◆ Many systems in practice are nonlinear but are designed to be as linear as possible, or are only used with inputs where they behave in a linear fashion
- ◆ Need to check both the scaling and superposition properties to prove that a system is linear

Reference example with details

- ◆ Is the following system linear? Time-invariant?

$$y(t) = t^2 x(t - 1)$$

Reference example – checking time invariance

Consider the output to input $x_1(t)$

$$y_1(t) = t^2 x_1(t - 1)$$

Define a new input

$$x_2(t) = x_1(t - t_0)$$

Compute the output

$$\begin{aligned} y_2(t) &= t^2 x_2(t - 1) \\ &= t^2 x_1(t - 1 - t_0) \end{aligned}$$

Not time invariant!

Compare with a shifted version of the first output

$$y_1(t - t_0) = (t - t_0)^2 x_1(t - 1 - t_0) \neq y_2(t)$$

Reference example – checking linearity

Consider the inputs and outputs

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow y_1(t) = t^2 x_1(t - 1)$$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow y_2(t) = t^2 x_2(t - 1)$$

Define a new input

$$x_3(t) = ax_1(t) + bx_2(t)$$

Compute the output

$$\begin{aligned} y_3(t) &= t^2 x_3(t - 1) \\ &= t^2 (ax_1(t - 1) + bx_2(t - 1)) \\ &= ay_1(t) + by_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

Linear!