

Discussion Week 3:

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

For discrete-time signals:

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

① Flip $h(\tau)$ to get $h(-\tau)$

② Shift $h(-\tau)$ by t to get $h(t-\tau)$

③ Multiply $x(\tau)$ and $h(t-\tau)$

④ Integrate over τ for all time.

Example #1: $x(t) = 2 u(t+2)$, $h(t) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^{t+5} \delta(l-1) dl$, what is $y(t)$?

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^{t+5} \delta(l-1) dl = \frac{1}{4} [u(t+5-1) - u(-\infty)] = \frac{1}{4} u(t+4)$$

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

$x(t)$



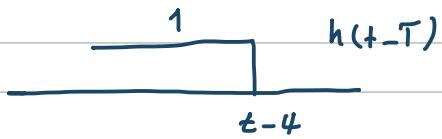
Case 1: $-\infty < t < -6$: no overlap, so $y(t) = 0$

Case 2: $t > -6$: $y(t) = \int_{-2}^{t+4} 2 \times \frac{1}{4} d\tau = \frac{1}{2} [t+4 - (-2)] = \frac{1}{2} (t+6)$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < -6 \\ \frac{1}{2} (t+6) & t > -6 \end{cases}$$

example #2: $x(t) = 4[u(t-2) - u(t-7)]$, $h(t) = u(t-4)$

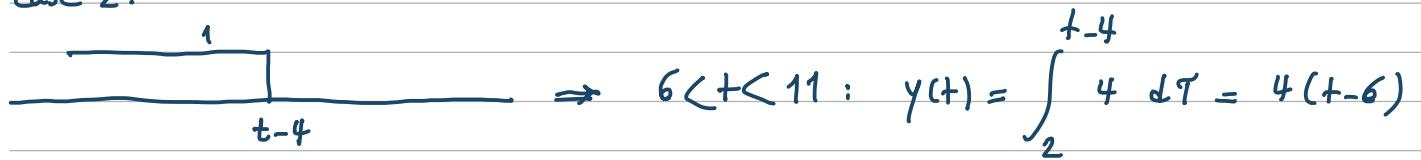
$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) h(t-\tau) d\tau$$



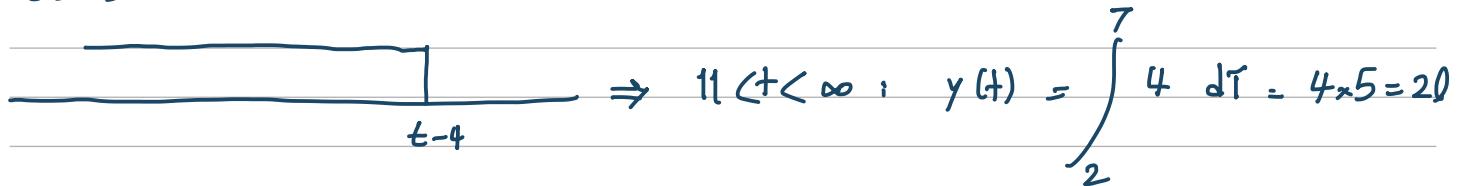
case 1:



case 2:

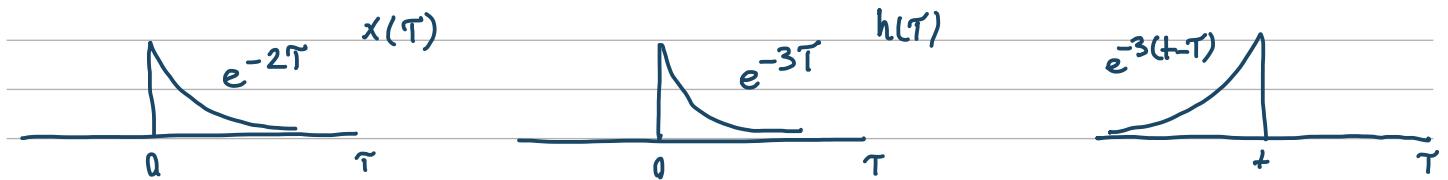


case 3:

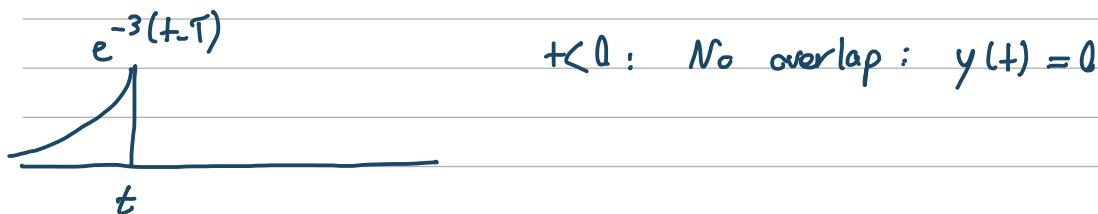


$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 6 \\ 4(t-6) & 6 < t < 11 \\ 20 & t > 11 \end{cases}$$

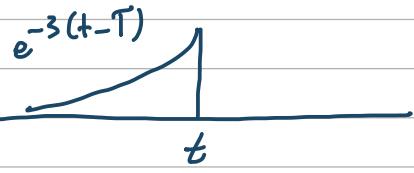
Example #3: $x(t) = e^{-2t} u(t)$, $h(t) = e^{-3t} u(t)$



case 1:



Case 2:



$$t > 0, \quad y(t) = \int_0^t e^{-2\tau} e^{-3(t-\tau)} d\tau$$

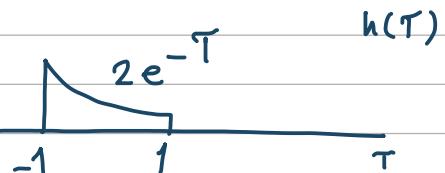
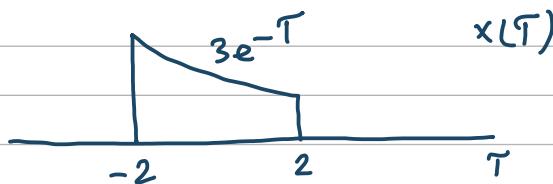
$$= \int_0^t e^{-3t} e^{\tau} d\tau = e^{-3t} (e^t - 1) = e^{-2t} - e^{-3t}$$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ e^{-2t} - e^{-3t} & t > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow y(t) = [e^{-2t} - e^{-3t}] u(t)$$

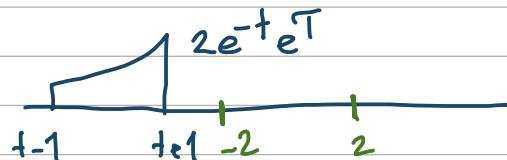
Example #4: $x(t) = 3 e^{-t} \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{4}\right) \quad h(t) = \int_{t-1}^{t+1} e^{-(t-\lambda)} \delta(\lambda) d\lambda$

$$h(t) = \int_{t-1}^{t+1} e^{-(t-\lambda)} \delta(\lambda) d\lambda = \int_{t-1}^{t+1} e^{-t} \delta(\lambda) d\lambda = e^{-t} [u(t+1) - u(t-1)]$$

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



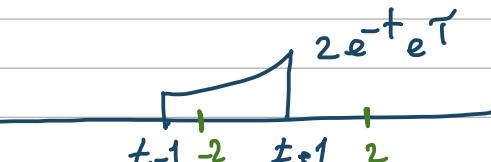
Case #1:



$-\infty < t < -3$:

$$\text{No overlap: } y(t) = 0$$

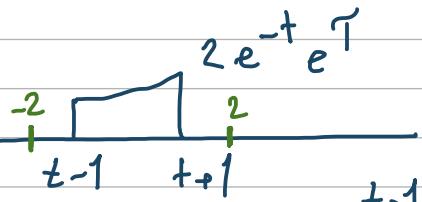
Case #2:



$$-3 < t < -1 : \quad y(t) = \int_{-2}^{t+1} 3e^{-\tau} 2e^{-t} e^{\tau} d\tau$$

$$= \int_{-2}^{t+1} 6e^{-t} d\tau = 6e^{-t} (t+3)$$

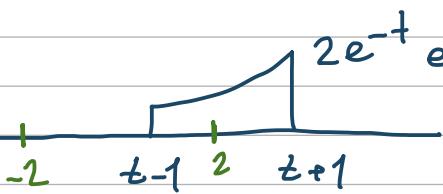
case 3:



$$-1 < t < 1 : y(t) = \int_{t-1}^{t+1} 3e^{-\tau} 2e^{-\tau} e^{\tau} d\tau$$

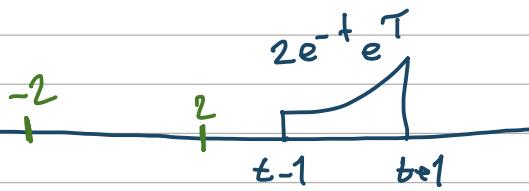
$$= \int_{t-1}^{t+1} 6e^{-\tau} d\tau = 6e^{-\tau} \Big|_{t-1}^{t+1} = 12e^{-t}$$

case 4:



$$1 < t < 3 : y(t) = \int_{t-1}^2 (3e^{-\tau}) (2e^{-\tau} e^{\tau}) d\tau$$

$$= \int_{t-1}^2 6e^{-\tau} d\tau = 6e^{-\tau} \Big|_{t-1}^2 = 6e^{-t} (2 - (-1)) = 6e^{-t} (3 + t)$$



$t > 3$, no overlap

$$y(t) = 0$$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 6e^{-t} [t+3] & -3 < t < -1 \\ 12e^{-t} & -1 < t < 1 \\ 6e^{-t} [-t+3] & 1 < t < 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Example #5: $x(t) = \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)$, $h(t) = \text{rect}(t-1)$

Solve analytically.

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

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{rect}\left(\frac{\tau}{2}\right) \text{rect}(t-\tau-1) d\tau$$

$\text{rect}\left(\frac{\tau}{2}\right)$ is non zero for $\tau \in [-1, 1]$ and $\text{rect}(t - T - 1)$

is non zero for $T \in \left[-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right]$

if $t - \frac{1}{2} < -1$ or $t - \frac{3}{2} > 1$, we have no overlap.

so for $t < -\frac{1}{2}$ and $t > \frac{5}{2}$, $y(t) = 0$

if $-\frac{3}{2} < t < -\frac{1}{2}$, $y(t) = \int_{-\frac{3}{2}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} 1 d\tau = t - \frac{1}{2} - (-1) =$

$t + \frac{1}{2}$, so for $\frac{1}{2} < t < \frac{1}{2}$, $y(t) = t + \frac{1}{2}$

if $-1 < t - \frac{1}{2} < 1$, $y(t) = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^1 1 d\tau = 1 - (t - \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{3}{2} - t$

$$-1 < t - \frac{3}{2} < t - \frac{1}{2} < 1, \quad y(t) = \int_{-\frac{3}{2}}^{t - \frac{1}{2}} 1 \times 1 d\tau =$$

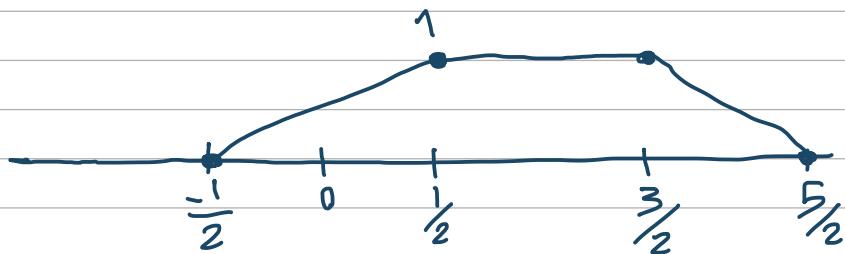
$$(t - \frac{1}{2}) - (t - \frac{3}{2}) = 1$$

so for $t > \frac{1}{2}$, $t < \frac{3}{2}$, $y(t) = 1$

if $t - \frac{3}{2} < 1 < t - \frac{1}{2}$, $y(t) = \int_{-\frac{3}{2}}^1 1 \times 1 d\tau = 1 - (t - \frac{3}{2}) =$

$$=\frac{5}{2} - t$$

so for $t > \frac{3}{2}$, $t < \frac{5}{2}$, $y(t) = t - \frac{3}{2}$



Some properties of convolution

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x(t) * h(t) = h(t) * x(t)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x(t) * [h_1(t) + h_2(t)] = [x(t) * h_1(t)] + [x(t) * h_2(t)]$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad y(t) = x(t) * h(t) \Rightarrow y'(t) = x(t-t_0) * h(t) = y(t-t_0)$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad n(t) * \delta(t) = n(t), \quad n(t) * \delta(t-t_0) = n(t-t_0)$$