

# Homework 3 - DT and CT Impulse Response of LTI Systems

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## Exercise 1. Determine the Impulse Response of DT LTI Systems

For each of the following systems with input  $x$  and output  $y$ , **i)** prove that the system is linear, **ii)** prove that the system is time-invariant, **iii)** compute the system's impulse response. Simplify your answer as much as possible.

(a)  $y_n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k x_{n-k}$

i) Prove that the system is linear

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } y_1[n] &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b[k]x_1[n-k], y_2[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b[k]x_2[n-k], x_3[n] = ax_1[n] + bx_2[n] \\ \implies y_3[n] &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b[k]x_3[n-k] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b[k](ax_1[n-k] + bx_2[n-k]) = a \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b[k]x_1[n-k] + b \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b[k]x_2[n-k] \\ \implies y_3[n] &= ay_1[n] + by_2[n] \implies \text{The system is } \mathbf{LINEAR}. \end{aligned}$$

ii) Prove that the system is time-invariant

Let  $y_1[n]$  be the output of the shifted input  $x[n - n_0]$ , and  $y_2[n]$  be the shifted output.

$$\begin{cases} y_1[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b[k]x[n-k-n_0] \\ y_2[n] = y[n-n_0] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b[k]x[n-k-n_0] \end{cases}$$

$\therefore y_1[n] = y_2[n] \implies$  The system is **TIME-INVARIANT**.

iii) Compute the system's impulse response. ( $x[n] = \delta[n]$ )

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b[k]\delta[n-k] = \begin{cases} b[n] & , n \geq 0 \\ 0 & , n < 0 \end{cases} = b[n]u[n]$$

(b)  $y_n = \frac{1}{3}(x_n - \frac{1}{2}(x_{n-1} + x_{n+1}))$

i) Prove that the system is linear

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } y_1[n] &= \frac{1}{3}(x_1[n] - \frac{1}{2}(x_1[n-1] + x_1[n+1])), y_2[n] = \frac{1}{3}(x_2[n] - \frac{1}{2}(x_2[n-1] + x_2[n+1])), \\ x_3[n] &= ax_1[n] + bx_2[n] \\ \implies y_3[n] &= \frac{1}{3}(x_3[n] - \frac{1}{2}(x_3[n-1] + x_3[n+1])) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}((ax_1[n] + bx_2[n]) - \frac{1}{2}((ax_1[n-1] + bx_1[n-1]) + (ax_1[n+1] + bx_2[n+1]))) \\ &= a(\frac{1}{3}(x_1[n] - \frac{1}{2}(x_1[n-1] + x_1[n+1]))) + b(\frac{1}{3}(x_2[n] - \frac{1}{2}(x_2[n-1] + x_2[n+1]))) \\ &= ay_1[n] + by_2[n] \\ \implies \text{The system is } \mathbf{LINEAR}. \end{aligned}$$

- ii) Prove that the system is time-invariant

Let  $y_1[n]$  be the output of the shifted input  $x[n - n_0]$ , and  $y_2[n]$  be the shifted output.

$$\begin{cases} y_1[n] = \frac{1}{3}(x[n - n_0] - \frac{1}{2}(x[n - n_0 - 1] + x[n - n_0 + 1])) \\ y_2[n] = y[n - n_0] = \frac{1}{3}(x[n - n_0] - \frac{1}{2}(x[n - n_0 - 1] + x[n - n_0 + 1])) \end{cases}$$

$\therefore y_1[n] = y_2[n] \implies$  The system is **TIME-INVARIANT**.

- iii) Compute the system's impulse response. ( $x[n] = \delta[n]$ )

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{3}(\delta[n] - \frac{1}{2}(\delta[n - 1] + \delta[n + 1])) = \begin{cases} -1/6 & , n = -1 \\ 1/3 & , n = 0 \\ -1/6 & , n = 1 \end{cases}$$

(c)  $y_n = \frac{1}{2}y_{n-1} + x_n$

- i) Prove that the system is linear

Let  $y_1[n] = \frac{1}{2}y_1[n - 1] + x_1[n]$ ,  $y_2[n] = \frac{1}{2}y_2[n - 1] + x_2[n]$ ,  $x_3[n] = ax_1[n] + bx_2[n]$

Assume  $y'[n] = y[n] - \frac{1}{2}y[n - 1] \implies y'_1[n] = x_1[n]$ ,  $y'_2[n] = x_2[n]$

$\implies y_3[n] = \frac{1}{2}y_3[n - 1] + x_3[n] \implies y'_3[n] = x_3[n] = ax_1[n] + bx_2[n] = ay'_1[n] + by'_2[n]$

$\implies$  The system is **LINEAR**.

- ii) Prove that the system is time-invariant

Let  $y_1[n]$  be the output of the shifted input  $x[n - n_0]$ , and  $y_2[n]$  be the shifted output.

$$\begin{cases} y_1[n] = \frac{1}{2}y[n - 1] + x[n - n_0] \\ y_2[n] = \frac{1}{2}y[n - 1] + x[n - n_0] \end{cases}$$

$\therefore y_1[n] = y_2[n] \implies$  The system is **TIME-INVARIANT**.

- iii) Compute the system's impulse response. ( $x[n] = \delta[n]$ )

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{2}y[n - 1] + \delta[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & , n = 0 \\ 1/2 & , n = 1 \\ 1/4 & , n = 2 \\ \vdots & \end{cases} = (\frac{1}{2})^n u[n]$$

## Exercise 2. DT Impulse Response

Consider the discrete-time LTI system described by the equation

$$y_n = x_n - 3x_{n-1} + 2x_{n-2}$$

- (a) Compute the impulse response of the system.

$$y[n] = \delta[n] - 3\delta[n - 1] + 2\delta[n - 2]$$

- (b) Express the system in the form  $y_n = x_n * h_n$

$$y[n] = (\delta[n] - 3\delta[n - 1] + 2\delta[n - 2]) * x[n]$$

- (c) Find the output when the input is given by  $x_n = u_n$

$$y[n] = u[n] - 3u[n - 1] + 2u[n + 1] = \begin{cases} 1 & , n = 0 \\ -2 & , n = 1 \\ 0 & , else \end{cases}$$

- (d) Find the output when the input is given by  $x_n = 1$

$$y[n] = 1 - 3 + 2 = 0$$

### Exercise 3. Determine the Impulse Response of CT LTI Systems

For each of the following systems with input  $x$  and output  $y$ , **i)** prove that the system is linear, **ii)** prove that the system is time-invariant, **iii)** compute the system's impulse response. Simplify your answer as much as possible.

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

i) Prove that the system is linear

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } y_1(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - t)x_1(\tau)d\tau, y_2(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - t)x_2(\tau)d\tau, x_3(t) = ax_1(t) + bx_2(t) \\ \Rightarrow y_3(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - t)x_3(t)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - t)(ax_1(t) + bx_2(t))d\tau \\ &= a \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - t)x_1(t)d\tau + b \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - t)x_2(t)d\tau = ay_1(t) + by_2(t) \\ \Rightarrow \text{The system is } \mathbf{LINEAR}. \end{aligned}$$

ii) Prove that the system is time-invariant

Let  $y_1(t)$  be the output of the shifted input  $x(t - t_0)$ , and  $y_2(t)$  be the shifted output.

$$\begin{cases} y_1(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - t)x(\tau - t_0)d\tau \\ y_2(t) = y(t - t_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - (t - t_0))x(\tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - t)x(\tau - t_0)d\tau \end{cases}$$

$\therefore y_1(t) = y_2(t) \Rightarrow$  The system is **TIME-INVARIANT**.

iii) Compute the system's impulse response

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r(\tau - t)\delta(\tau)d\tau \\ \therefore \delta(t) &= \begin{cases} 1 & , t = 0 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases} \Rightarrow r(\tau - t)\delta(\tau) = r(-t) \Rightarrow y(t) = r(-t) \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $y(t) = x(t) + 2x(t + 1) + 3x(t - 1)$

i) Prove that the system is linear

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } y_1(t) &= x_1(t) + 2x_1(t + 1) + 3x_1(t - 1), y_2(t) = x_2(t) + 2x_2(t + 1) + 3x_2(t - 1) \\ x_3(t) &= ax_1(t) + bx_2(t) \\ \Rightarrow y_3(t) &= x_3(t) + 2x_3(t + 1) + 3x_3(t - 1) \\ &= (ax_1(t) + bx_2(t)) + 2(ax_1(t + 1) + bx_2(t + 1)) + 3(ax_1(t - 1) + bx_2(t - 1)) \\ &= a(x_1(t) + 2x_1(t + 1) + 3x_1(t - 1)) + b(x_2(t) + 2x_2(t + 1) + 3x_2(t - 1)) \\ &= ay_1(t) + by_2(t) \\ \Rightarrow \text{The system is } \mathbf{LINEAR}. \end{aligned}$$

ii) Prove that the system is time-invariant

Let  $y_1(t)$  be the output of the shifted input  $x(t - t_0)$ , and  $y_2(t)$  be the shifted output.

$$\begin{cases} y_1(t) = x(t - t_0) + 2x(t + 1 - t_0) + 3x(t - 1 - t_0) \\ y_2(t) = y(t - t_0) = x(t - t_0) + 2x(t + 1 - t_0) + 3x(t - 1 - t_0) \end{cases}$$

$\therefore y_1(t) = y_2(t) \Rightarrow$  The system is **TIME-INVARIANT**.

iii) Compute the system's impulse response

$$y(t) = \delta(t) + 2\delta(t + 1) + 3\delta(t - 1) = \begin{cases} 2 & , t = -1 \\ 1 & , t = 0 \\ 3 & , t = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(c) \frac{dy(t)}{dt} = -x(t) \implies y(t) = -\int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau$$

i) Prove that the system is linear

$$\text{Let } y_1(t) = -\int_{-\infty}^t x_1(\tau) d\tau, y_2(t) = -\int_{-\infty}^t x_2(\tau) d\tau, x_3(t) = ax_1(t) + bx_2(t)$$

$$\implies y_3(t) = -\int_{-\infty}^t x_3(\tau) d\tau = y(t) = -\int_{-\infty}^t ax_1(\tau) + bx_2(\tau) d\tau = -a \int_{-\infty}^t x_1(\tau) d\tau - b \int_{-\infty}^t x_2(\tau) d\tau$$

$$= -ay_1(t) - by_2(t)$$

$\implies$  The system is **LINEAR**.

ii) Prove that the system is time-invariant

Let  $y_1(t)$  be the output of the shifted input  $x(t - t_0)$ , and  $y_2(t)$  be the shifted output.

$$\begin{cases} y_1(t) = -\int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau - t_0) d\tau \\ y_2(t) = y(t - t_0) = -\int_{-\infty - t_0}^{t - t_0} x(\tau) d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau - t_0) d\tau \end{cases}$$

$\therefore y_1(t) = y_2(t) \implies$  The system is **TIME-INVARIANT**.

iii) Compute the system's impulse response

$$y(t) = -\int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau) d\tau \quad \because \delta(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & , t = 0 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases} \implies y(t) = \begin{cases} -1 & , t \geq 0 \\ 0 & , t < 0 \end{cases} = -u(t)$$

## Exercise 4. CT Convolution

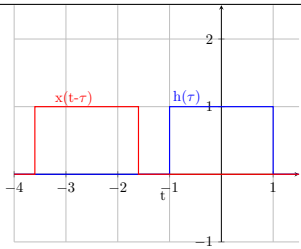
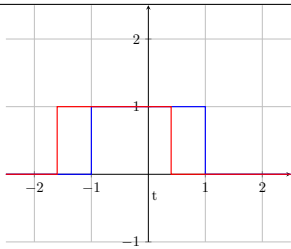
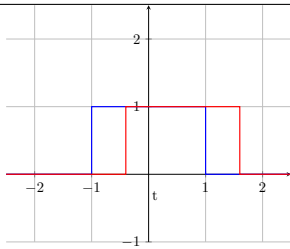
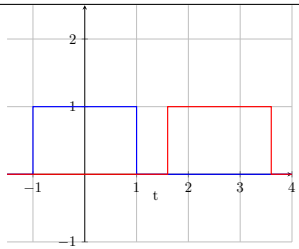
Find the outputs of the following LTI systems with the following inputs.

(a) Impulse response of  $h(t) = u(t + 1) - u(t - 1)$ ; input of  $x(t) = u(t) - u(t - 2)$

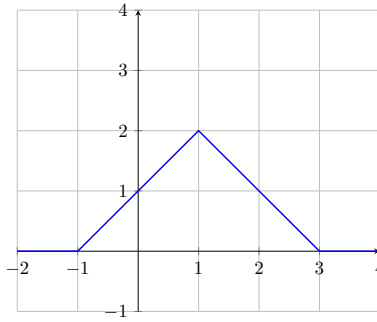
$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t) = (u(t + 1) - u(t - 1)) * (u(t) - u(t - 2)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (u(\tau + 1) - u(\tau - 1))(u(t - \tau) - u(t - \tau - 2)) d\tau$$

$$u(t + 1) - u(t - 1) = \begin{cases} 1 & , -1 < t < 1 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases}, x(t) = u(t) - u(t - 2) = \begin{cases} 1 & , 0 < t < 2 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Flip  $x(\tau)$ , and shift by an arbitrary value of  $t$  to get  $x(t - \tau)$ , then find the regions of  $\tau$ -overlap.

Region I. No-overlap	Region II. Partially-overlap	Region III. Partially-overlap	Region IV. No-overlap
$t < -1$	$-1 < t < 1$	$1 < t < 2$	$t > 2$
			
$y(t) = 0$	$y(t) = \int_{-1}^t 1 d\tau = t + 1$	$y(t) = \int_{t-2}^1 1 d\tau = 3 - t$	$y(t) = 0$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} t+1 & , -1 < t < 1 \\ 3-t & , 1 < t < 3 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases} \implies$$



(b) Impulse response of  $h(t) = e^{-at}u(t)$ ; input of  $x(t) = u(t)$  for  $a > 0$

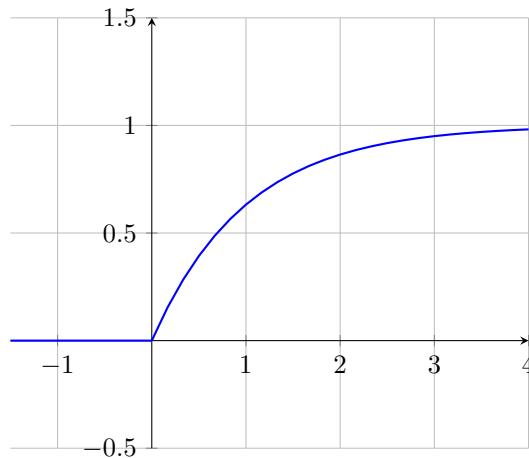
$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t) = (e^{-at}u(t)) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-a\tau}u(\tau)u(t-\tau)d\tau$$

$$h(t) = e^{-at}u(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-at} & , t \geq 0 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases}, x(t) = u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & , t \geq 0 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Flip  $x(\tau)$ , and shift by an arbitrary value of  $t$  to get  $x(t-\tau)$ , then find the regions of  $\tau$ -overlap.

Region I. No-overlap	Region II. Partially-overlap
$t < 0$	$t \geq 0$
$y(t) = 0$	$y(t) = \int_0^t e^{-a\tau}d\tau = -\frac{1}{a}(e^{-at} - 1)u(t)$

$$y(t) = -\frac{1}{a}(e^{-at} - 1)u(t) \implies (a = 1 \text{ below})$$

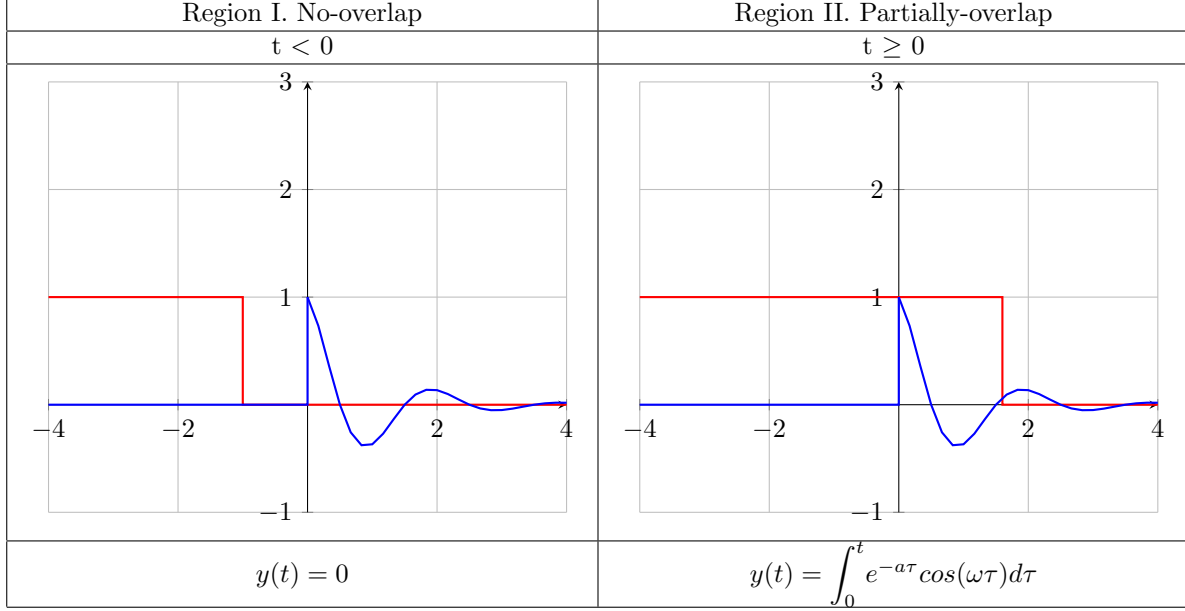


(c) Impulse response of  $h(t) = e^{-at}\cos(\omega t)u(t)$ ; input of  $x(t) = u(t)$  for  $a > 0$  and  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$

$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t) = (e^{-at}\cos(\omega t)u(t)) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-a\tau}\cos(\omega\tau)u(\tau)u(t-\tau)d\tau$$

$$h(t) = \cos(\omega t)u(t) = \begin{cases} \cos(\omega t) & , t \geq 0 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases}, x(t) = u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & , t \geq 0 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Flip  $x(\tau)$ , and shift by an arbitrary value of  $t$  to get  $x(t-\tau)$ , then find the regions of  $\tau$ -overlap.



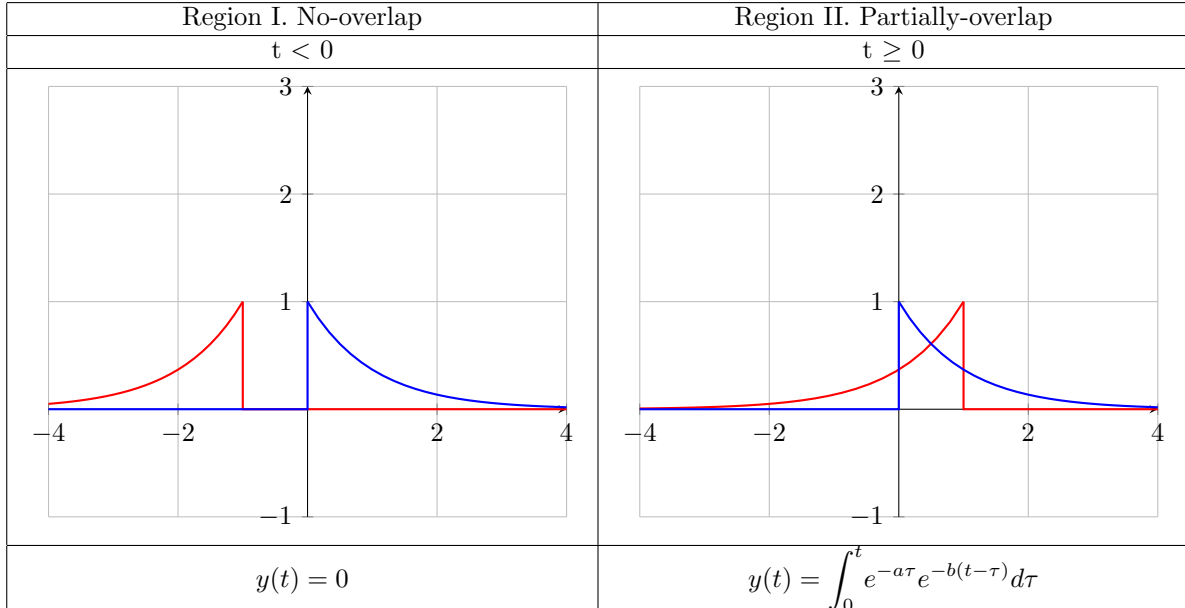
$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_0^t e^{-a\tau}\cos(\omega\tau)d\tau = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t e^{-a\tau}(e^{j\omega\tau} + e^{-j\omega\tau})d\tau = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{-a+j\omega} e^{\tau(j\omega-a)} + \frac{1}{-a-j\omega} e^{-\tau(j\omega+a)} \right] \Big|_0^t \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{-a-j\omega-a+j\omega}{-ja\omega+\omega^2+a^2+ja\omega} e^{-a\tau} (e^{j\omega\tau} + e^{-j\omega\tau}) \right] \Big|_0^t = \frac{2a}{a^2+\omega^2} (1 - e^{-at}\cos(\omega t)) u(t) \end{aligned}$$

(d) Impulse response of  $h(t) = e^{-at}u(t)$ ; input of  $x(t) = e^{-bt}u(t)$  for  $a \neq b > 0$

$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t) = (e^{-at}u(t)) * (e^{-bt}u(t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-a\tau}u(\tau)e^{-b(t-\tau)}u(t-\tau)d\tau$$

$$h(t) = e^{-at}u(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-at} & , t \geq 0 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases}, x(t) = e^{-bt}u(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-bt} & , t \geq 0 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Flip  $x(\tau)$ , and shift by an arbitrary value of  $t$  to get  $x(t-\tau)$ , then find the regions of  $\tau$ -overlap.



$$y(t) = \int_0^t e^{-a\tau} e^{-b(t-\tau)} d\tau = e^{-bt} \int_0^t e^{(-a+b)\tau} d\tau = \frac{e^{-bt}}{-a+b} (e^{(-a+b)t} - 1) = \frac{1}{a-b} (e^{-bt} - e^{-at}) u(t)$$

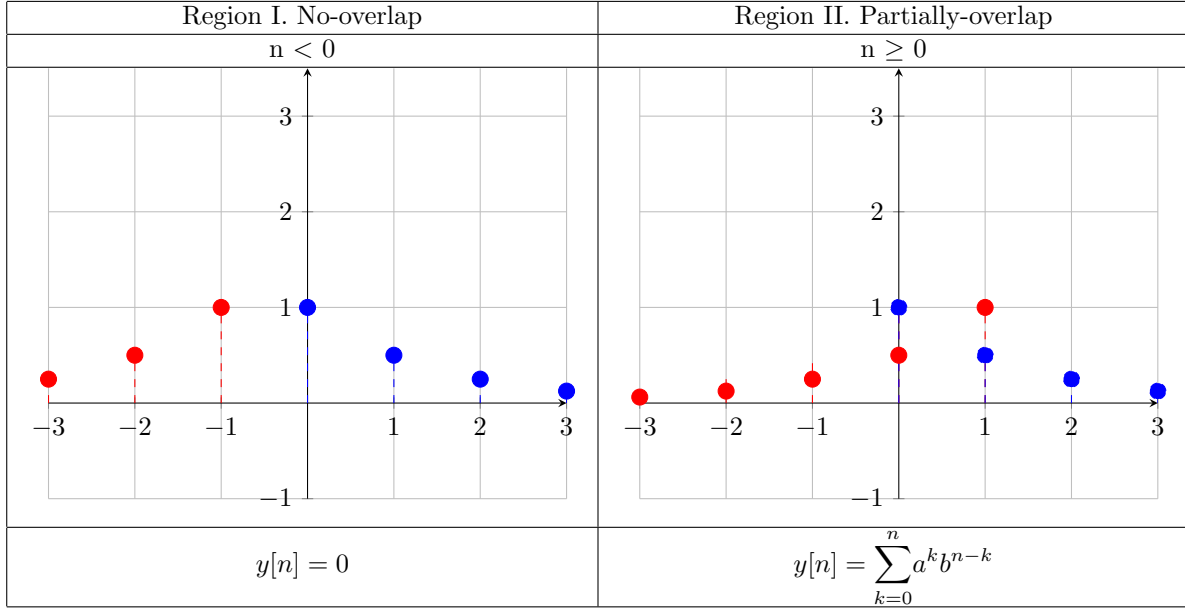
## Exercise 5. DT Convolution

Calculate the output of a LTI system with impulse response  $h[n]$ , input  $x[n]$ , and output  $y[n]$

(a)  $h[n] = a^n u[n]$  and  $x[n] = b^n u[n]$  where  $a \neq b$

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

Flip  $x[k]$ , and shift by an arbitrary value of  $n$  to get  $x[n-k]$ , then find the regions of  $k$ -overlap.

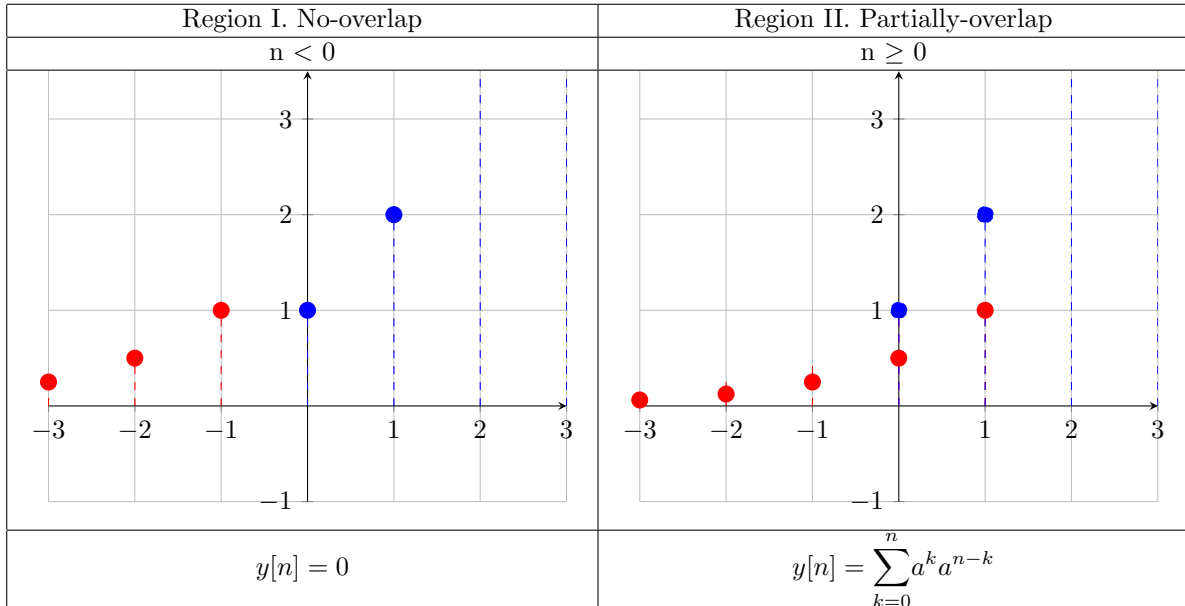


$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^n a^k b^{n-k} = b^n \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^k = b^n \frac{1 - (a/b)^{n+1}}{1 - a/b} = \frac{b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}}{b - a} u[n]$$

(b)  $h[n] = a^n u[n]$  and  $x[n] = a^n u[n]$

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

Flip  $x[k]$ , and shift by an arbitrary value of  $n$  to get  $x[n-k]$ , then find the regions of  $k$ -overlap.

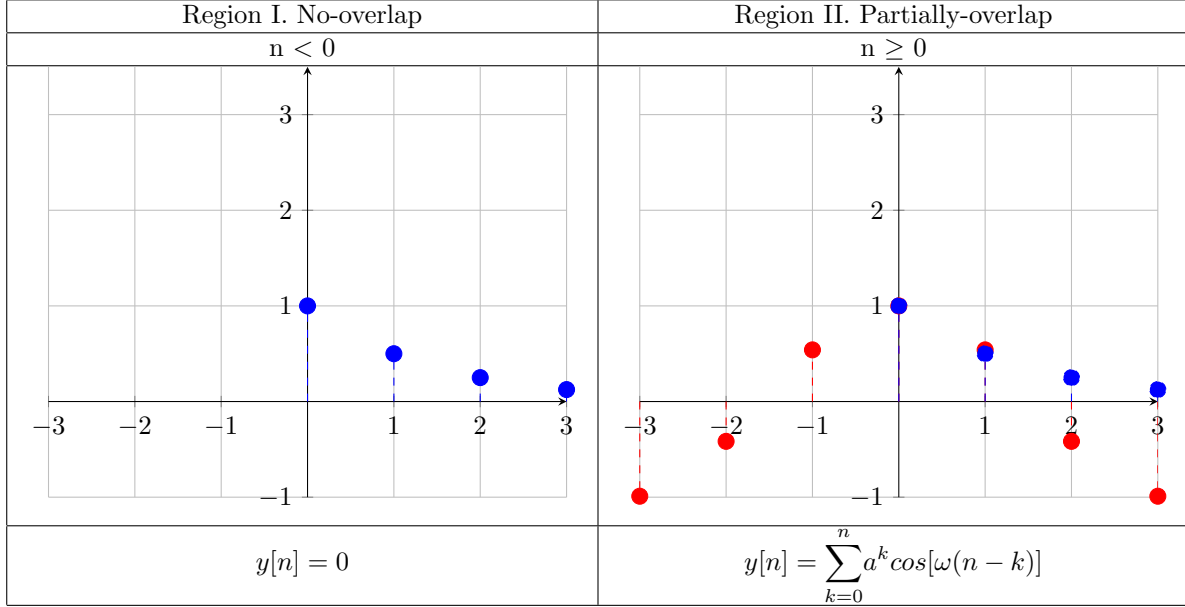


$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^n a^k a^{n-k} = \sum_{k=0}^n a^n = (n+1)a^n u[n]$$

(c)  $h[n] = a^n u[n]$  and  $x[n] = \cos[\omega n]$  where  $|a| < 1$

$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k] x[n-k] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a^k u[k] \cos[\omega(n-k)]$$

Flip  $x[k]$ , and shift by an arbitrary value of  $n$  to get  $x[n-k]$ , then find the regions of  $k$ -overlap.

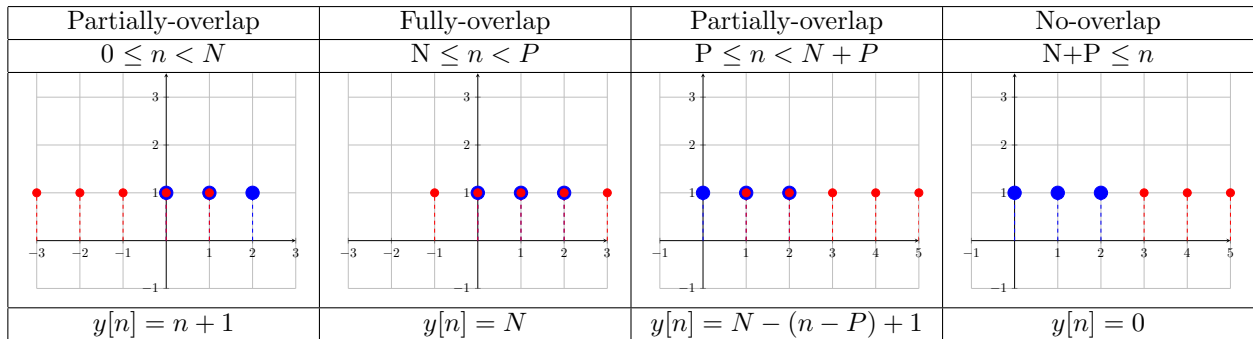


$$\begin{aligned}
 y[n] &= \sum_{k=0}^n a^k \cos[\omega(n-k)] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n a^k (e^{j\omega(n-k)} + e^{-j\omega(n-k)}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n (ae^{-j\omega})^k e^{j\omega n} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n (ae^{-j\omega})^k e^{-j\omega n} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^{j\omega n}}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^{-j\omega n}}{1 - ae^{j\omega}} \\
 &= \frac{e^{j\omega n} - ae^{j\omega(n+1)} + e^{-j\omega n} - ae^{-j\omega(n+1)}}{2(1 - ae^{-j\omega})(1 - ae^{j\omega})}
 \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $h[n] = u[n] - u[n-N]$  and  $x[n] = u[n] - u[n-P]$  for  $P > N$

$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k] x[n-k] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} (u[k] - u[k-N])(u[n-k] - u[n-k-P])$$

Flip  $x[k]$ , and shift by an arbitrary value of  $n$  to get  $x[n-k]$ , then find the regions of  $k$ -overlap.



$$y[n] = \begin{cases} n+1 & , 0 \leq n < N \\ N & , N \leq n < P \\ N+P-n+1 & , P \leq n < N+P \\ 0 & , N+P \leq n \end{cases}$$