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**ECE355H1 F - Signal Analysis and Communication**

**Problem Set 3**  
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**Problem 1**

(Problem 2.9 - Textbook)

Let

$$h(t) = e^{2t}u(-t + 4) + e^{-2t}u(t - 5)$$

Determine A and B such that

$$h(t - \tau) = \begin{cases} e^{-2(t-\tau)}, & \tau < A \\ 0, & A < \tau < B \\ e^{2(t-\tau)}, & B < \tau \end{cases}$$

**Problem 2**

(Problem 2.10 - Textbook)

Suppose that

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

and  $h(t) = x(t/\alpha)$ , where  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ .

- a) Determine and sketch  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$
- b) If  $dy(t)/dt$  contains only three discontinuities, what is the value of  $\alpha$ ?

**Problem 3**

(Problem 2.11 - Textbook)

Let

$$x(t) = u(t - 3) - u(t - 5) \text{ and } h(t) = e^{-3t}u(t)$$

- a) Compute  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$ .
- b) Compute  $g(t) = (dx(t)/dt) * h(t)$ .
- c) How is  $g(t)$  related to  $y(t)$ ?

## Problem 4

(Problem 2.16 - Textbook)

For each of the following statements, determine whether it is true or false:

- If  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n < N_1$  and  $h[n] = 0$  for  $n < N_2$ , then  $x[n] * h[n] = 0$  for  $n < N_1 + N_2$ .
- If  $y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$ , then  $y[n - 1] = x[n - 1] * h[n - 1]$ .
- If  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$ , then  $y(-t) = x(-t) * h(-t)$ .
- If  $x(t) = 0$  for  $t > T_1$  and  $h(t) = 0$  for  $t > T_2$ , then  $x(t) * h(t) = 0$  for  $t > T_1 + T_2$ .

## Problem 5

(Problem 2.22 (b, d) - Textbook)

For each of the following pairs of waveforms, use the convolution integral to find the response  $y(t)$  of the LTI system with impulse response  $h(t)$  to the input  $x(t)$ . Sketch your results.

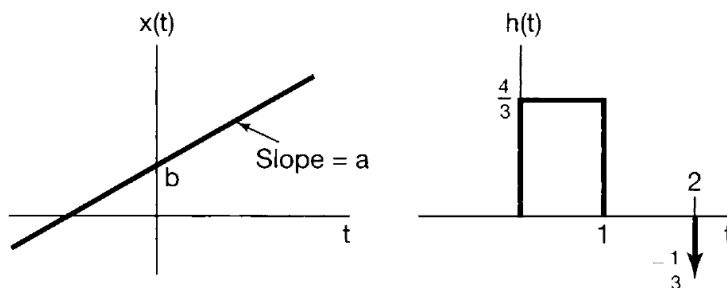


Figure 1: Problem 5 (b)

- $$x(t) = u(t) - 2u(t - 2) + u(t - 5)$$

$$h(t) = e^{2t}u(1 - t)$$
- $x(t)$  and  $h(t)$  are as in Figure 1.

## Problem 6

(Problem 2.23 - Textbook)

Let  $h(t)$  be the triangular pulse shown in Figure 2(a), and let  $x(t)$  be the impulse train depicted in Figure 2(b). That is,

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(t - kT).$$

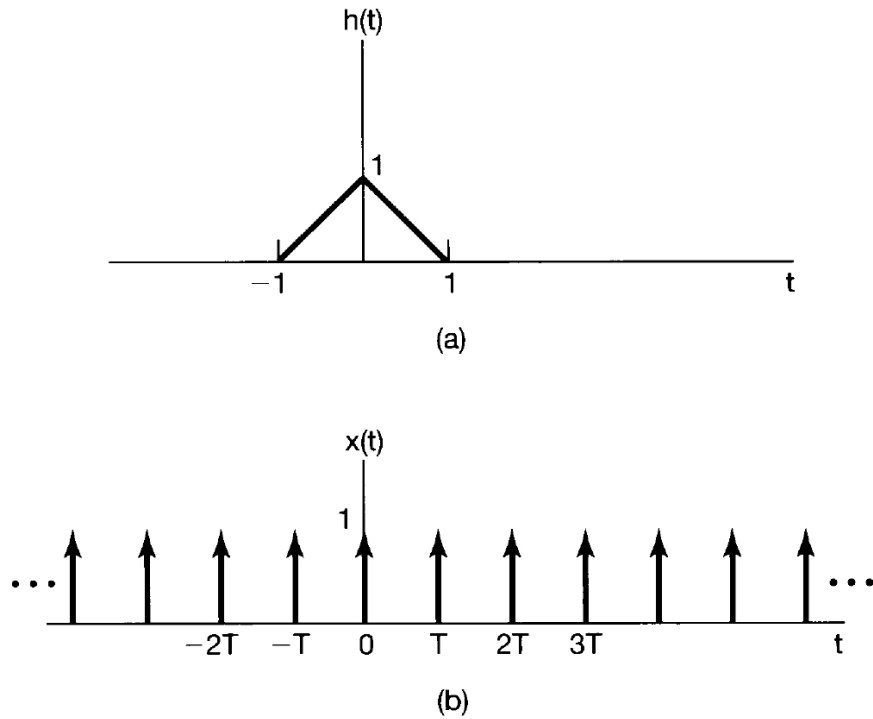


Figure 2: Problem 6

Determine and sketch  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$  for the following values of  $T$ :

- a)  $T = 4$
- b)  $T = 2$
- c)  $T = 3/2$
- d)  $T = 1$

## Problem 7

(Problem 2.24 - Textbook)

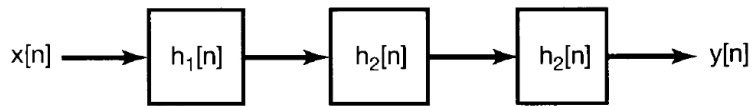
Consider the cascade interconnection of three causal LTI systems, illustrated in Figure 3(a). The impulse response  $h_2[n]$  is

$$h_2[n] = u[n] - u[n - 2],$$

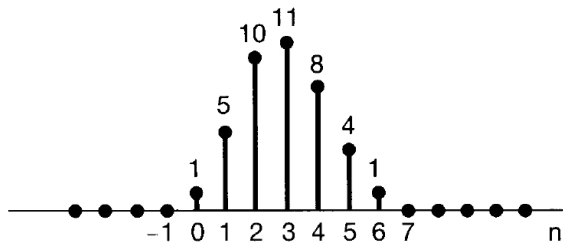
and the overall impulse response is as shown in Figure 3(b).

- a) Find the impulse response  $h_1[n]$ .
- b) Find the response of the overall system to the input

$$x[n] = \delta[n] - \delta[n - 1].$$



(a)



(b)

**Figure P2.24**

Figure 3: Problem 7

## Problem 8

(Problem 2.25 - Textbook)

Let the signal

$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n],$$

where

$$x[n] = 3^n u[-n - 1] + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n]$$

and

$$h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n + 3].$$

- Determine  $y[n]$  *without* utilizing the distributive property of convolution.
- Determine  $y[n]$  *utilizing* the distributive property of convolution.

## Problem 9

(Problem 2.27 - Textbook)

We define the area under a continuous-time signal  $v(t)$  as

$$A_v = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} v(t) dt,$$

Show that if  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$ , then

$$A_y = A_x A_h$$

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## Textbook

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