

Signal Analysis & Communication ECE 355

Ch. 2.2: CT LTI Systems

Lecture 8

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- Characterization of CT LTI systems in terms of its (unit) impulse response.

Recall- In DT LTI, the key to developing convolution sum was the sifting property, i.e.,

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] \delta[n-k]$$

any DT sig. can be expressed as
superposition of scaled & shifted impulse functions



- Linearity & time invariance implies that the output to $x[n]$ is:

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



- Similarly, in CT LTI systems:

- The unit impulse response $h(t)$ of a CT LTI systems is its output when unit impulse, $\delta(t)$ is the input.



- We can express any sig. using sifting property of $\delta(t)$

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

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THEOREM: For a CT LTI sys. with impulse response $h_r(t)$, the output, $y(t)$, to the given input $x(t)$, is:

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



Examples:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x(t) = e^{-at} u(t) \quad (a > 0)$$

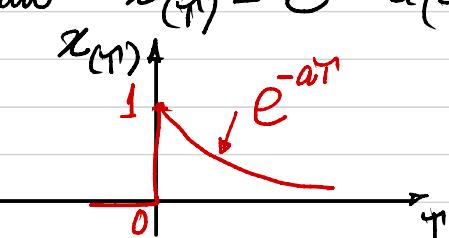
$$h(t) = u(t)$$

$$y(t) = ?$$

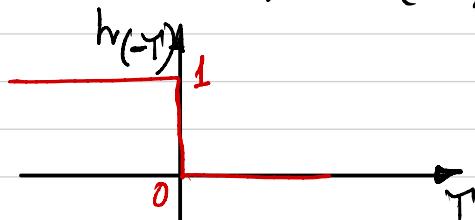
$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-at} u(\tau) u(t-\tau) d\tau$$

from eqn \textcircled{1} above

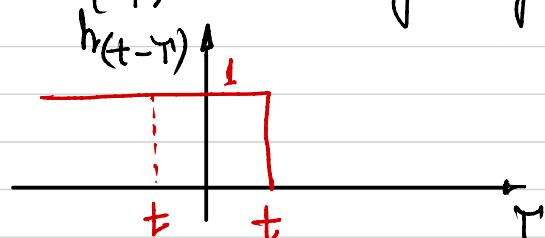
Step I Write/draw $x(\tau) = e^{-a\tau} u(\tau)$



Step II Write/draw $h(-\tau) = u(-\tau)$ ($u(\tau)$ flipped)



Step III Slide $h(-\tau)$ to the right by 't'



- And check for all the possible different regions of overlap / No overlap of $x(\tau)$ & $h(t-\tau)$ with corresponding different values of 't'.
- For example, in this considered example, we can see the two regions

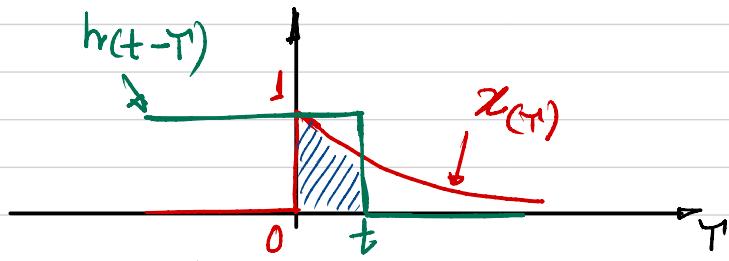
$t > 0$ Overlap

$t < 0$ No overlap.

Step IV a) - As per the regions of overlap in Step III, multiply $x(\tau)$ & $h(t-\tau)$ & integrate (eqn \textcircled{1}).

b) - For the non-overlapping regions, the product in eqn \textcircled{1} is zero.

a) $t > 0$



$$y(t) = \int_0^t e^{-a(T-t)} x(t-T) dT$$

$$= \frac{e^{-at}}{-a} \Big|_0^t = \frac{1}{a} (1 - e^{-at}) \quad - \textcircled{2}$$

b) $t < 0$

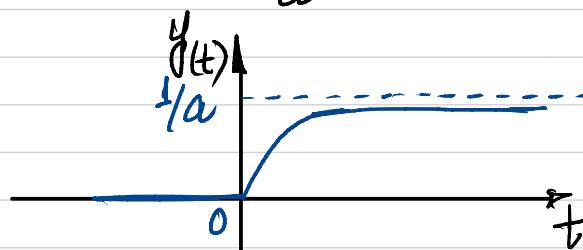


$$y(t) = 0 \quad - \textcircled{3}$$

Step 2 Eqn $\textcircled{2}$ & $\textcircled{3}$ \Rightarrow

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ \frac{1}{a} (1 - e^{-at}) & t > 0 \end{cases}$$

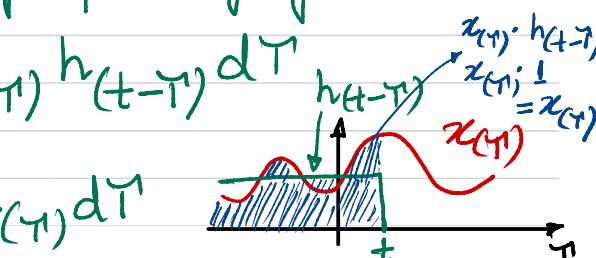
$$= \frac{1}{a} (1 - e^{-at}) u(t)$$



unit step to
express right
sided sig.

NOTE: If $h(t) = u(t)$, then for any input ranging from $-\infty$ to ∞ :

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



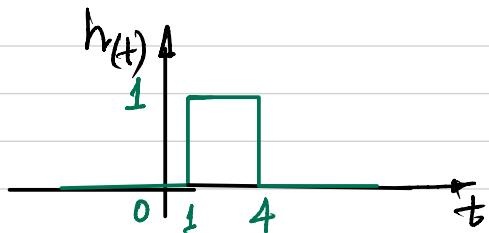
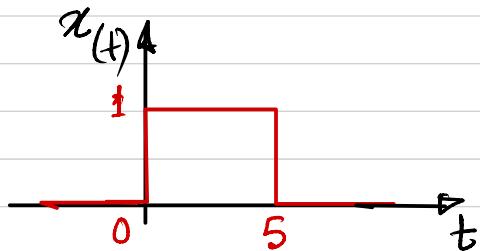
CUMULATIVE INTEGRATION

For example: if $x(t) = \delta(t)$ & $h(t) = u(t)$

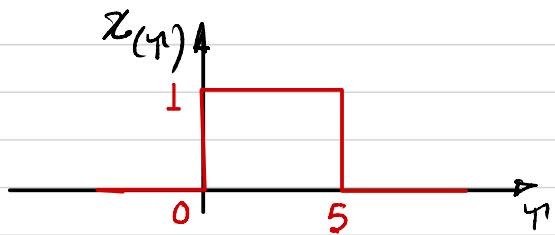
$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau) d\tau$$

$$= u(t)$$

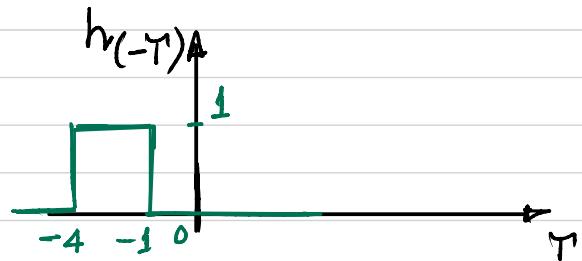
(2)



Step I

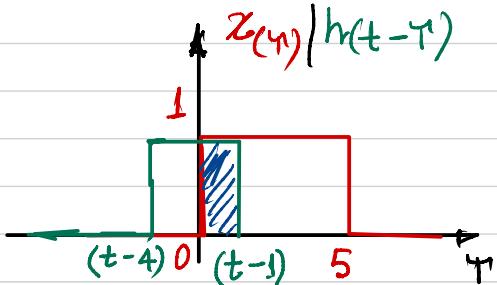


Step II



Step III

a) i) $1 < t < 4$



Step IV

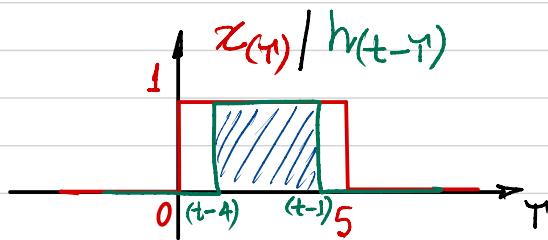
Overlap $[0 \rightarrow (t-1)]$

$$y(t) = \int_0^{t-1} (1)(1) d\tau$$

$$= t-1$$

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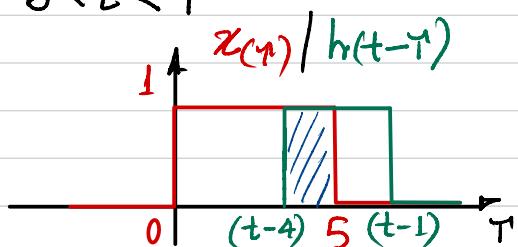
(ii) $4 < t < 6$



Overlap $[(t-4) \rightarrow (t-1)]$

$$y(t) = \int_{(t-4)}^{(t-1)} (1)(1) d\tau = \frac{3}{3} = 1 \quad - \textcircled{5}$$

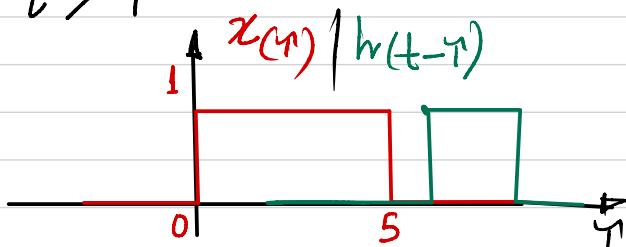
(iii) $6 < t < 9$



Overlap $[(t-4) \rightarrow 5]$

$$y(t) = \int_{t-4}^5 (1)(1) d\tau = -t + 9 \quad - \textcircled{6}$$

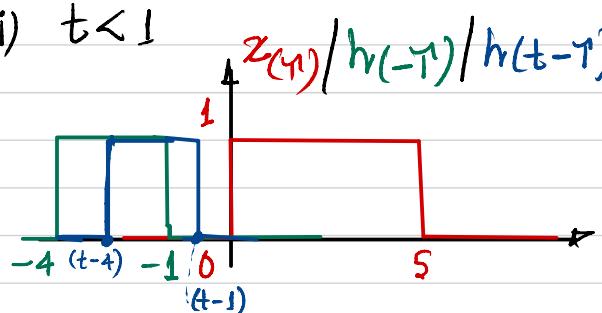
b) (i) $t > 9$



No Overlap

$$y(t) = 0 \quad - \textcircled{7}$$

Also, (ii) $t < 1$



No Overlap

$$y(t) = 0 \quad - \textcircled{8}$$

Step IV

Combining Eqr. ④ to ⑧

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 1 \\ t-1 & 1 < t < 4 \\ 3 & 4 < t < 6 \\ -t+9 & 6 < t < 9 \\ 0 & t > 9 \end{cases}$$

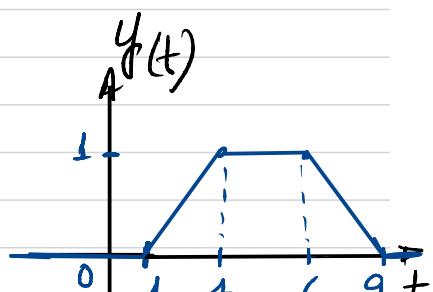
$t < 1$

$1 < t < 4$

$4 < t < 6$

$6 < t < 9$

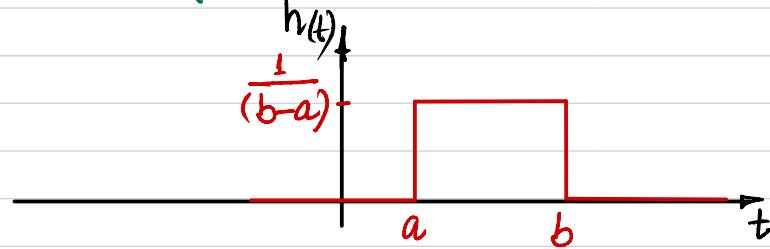
$t > 9$



REMEMBER: While performing convolution, you should look for all the regions of overlap by sliding $h(t-r)$ to the right by 't'.

NOTE : If $h_r(t)$ is a rectangular pulse given as:

$$h_r(t) = \frac{1}{(b-a)} [u(t-a) - u(t-b)] \quad (a < b)$$

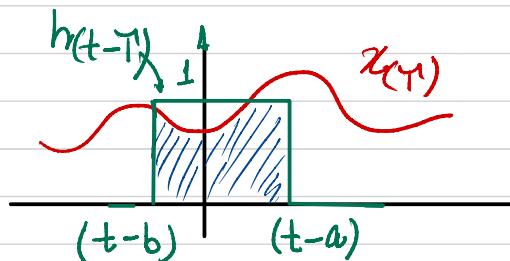


Then for any $x(t)$

$$y(t) = x(t) * h_r(t) = \frac{1}{(b-a)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) [u(t-a-\tau) - u(t-b-\tau)] d\tau$$

For the pulse to exist, i.e., $\begin{cases} (t-a-\tau) > 0 \Rightarrow \tau < t-a \\ (t-b-\tau) < 0 \Rightarrow \tau > t-b \end{cases}$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \frac{1}{(b-a)} \int_{t-b}^{t-a} x(\tau) d\tau \quad \text{AVERAGING.}$$



IF IMPULSE RESPONSE, $h_r(t)$ IS A PULSE, THE OUTPUT IS
THE Moving Average OF THE INPUT.