

2.37. Consider a system whose input and output are related by $\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 2y(t) = x(t)$. Assume it satisfies ~~initial~~ ^{final} rest. Show that this system is not causal.
 (final rest: $x(t) = 0 \forall t > t_0 \Rightarrow y(t) = 0 \forall t > t_0$)

Box Let $x_1(t) = 0$ and $x_2(t) = e^t(u(t) - u(t-1)) = \begin{cases} e^t & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$y_1(t) = 0$

$y_2(t) = 0 \forall t > 1 \Leftarrow x_2(t) = 0 \forall t > 1 \Leftarrow x_1(t) = 0 \forall t \notin [0, 1]$

For $0 \leq t < 1$:

$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 2y(t) = e^t \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y_2 = uv \\ y_2' = u'v + uv' \end{cases} \rightarrow u'v + uv' + 2uv = e^t \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow u'v + u(v' + 2v) = e^t$

$\bullet v' + 2v = 0 \Leftrightarrow \cancel{v' + 2v} \Rightarrow \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = -2v(t) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{v(t)} dv(t) = -2dt \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow \int \frac{dv(t)}{v(t)} = \int -2dt \Rightarrow \ln(v(t)) = -2t + c \Rightarrow v(t) = e^{-2t}$

$\bullet \frac{du(t)}{dt} \cdot v(t) = e^t \Rightarrow \frac{du(t)}{dt} e^{-2t} = e^t \Rightarrow \frac{du(t)}{dt} = e^{3t} \Rightarrow \int du(t) = \int e^{3t} dt \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow u(t) = \frac{1}{3} e^{3t} + c_2$

$y_2 = (\frac{1}{3} e^{3t} + c_2) \cdot (e^{-2t}) = \frac{1}{3} e^t + c_2 e^{-2t} = \frac{1}{3} e^t + c_2 e^{-2t}$

$y_2(1) = 0 = \frac{1}{3} e + c_2 e^{-2} \Rightarrow c_2 e^{-2} = -\frac{1}{3} e \Rightarrow c_2 = -\frac{e^3}{3} \Rightarrow y_2(t) = \frac{1}{3} e^t - \frac{1}{3} e^{3t-2}$

$y_2(0) = \frac{1}{3} e^0 - \frac{1}{3} e^3 = 1 - \frac{1}{3} e^3$

For $t < 0$:

$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 2y(t) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y(t)} dy(t) = -2dt \Rightarrow \int \frac{dy(t)}{y(t)} = -2 \int dt = \ln(y(t)) = -2t + c \Rightarrow y(t) = e^{-2t+c}$

$\Rightarrow y(t) = C \cdot e^{-2t}$

$y_2(0) = 1 - \frac{1}{3} e^3 = C e^{-2 \cdot 0} = C e^0 = C \Rightarrow y_2(t) = (1 - \frac{e^3}{3}) e^{-2t}$

Now, let's see $t = -1$: $y_2(-1) = (1 - \frac{e^3}{3}) e^2 = e^2 - \frac{e^5}{3} \neq 0$

As we can see, both $x_1(t)$ and $x_2(t)$ are 0 $\forall t < 0$, but $y_2(t)$ is not 0 $\forall t < 0$, so the system is not causal.