

# 111-2 Signal and Systems HW #1 Solution

**CT1.2.3** The *time-scaled* version of a waveform  $x(t)$ , is defined as  $x(at)$ , where  $a$  is a nonzero constant. Consider the waveform

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 0; & t < 0 \\ t; & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 0; & 1 \leq t \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

Plot:

a)  $x(t)$  versus  $t$ .

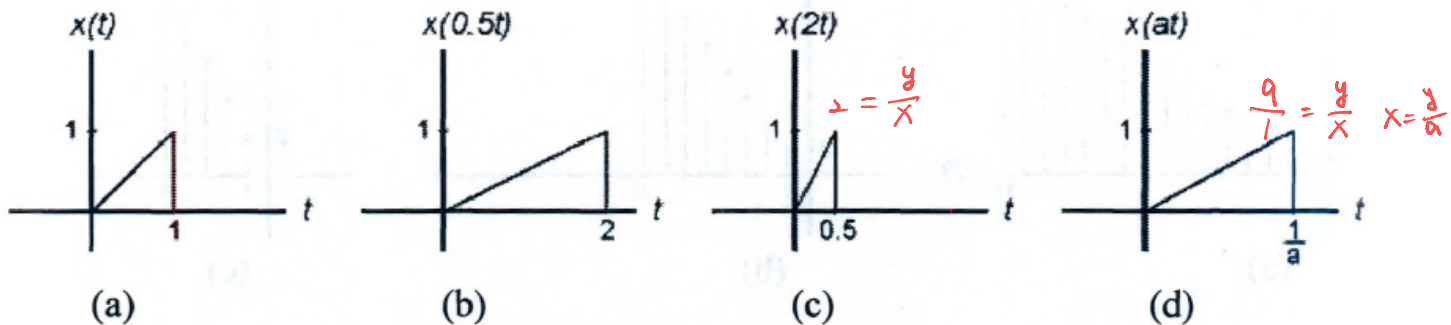
b)  $x(at)$  versus  $t$ , where  $a = 0.5$ .  $x(t) = 0.5t$

c)  $x(at)$  versus  $t$ , where  $a = 2$ .  $x(t) = 2t$

d)  $x(at)$  versus  $t$ , where  $a$  is shown as an arbitrary parameter on the plot. Assume that  $a > 0$ .

$$x(at) = at$$

Ans:



For each of the following systems, the system output and input are related as below.

Determine whether the system is i) linear, ii) time-invariant or not.

Please justify your answers.

a)  $S_1: e^{j5t} \xrightarrow{S_1} t \cdot e^{j5t}$

$$x_1(t) = e^{j5t} \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}} \rightarrow t e^{j5t} = y_1(t) = t x_1(t)$$

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}} \rightarrow y_1(t) = t x_1(t)$$

b)  $S_2: e^{j5t} \xrightarrow{S_2} e^{j5(t-1)}$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}} \rightarrow y_2(t) = t x_2(t)$$

Ans:

$$x(t) = \alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}} \rightarrow y(t) = \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t) = t [\alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t)]$$

a)  $x(t) = e^{j5t} \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}} \rightarrow y(t) = t \cdot e^{j5t} = t \cdot x(t)$

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}} \rightarrow y_1(t)$$

so,  $x_1(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}} \rightarrow y_1(t) = t \cdot x_1(t)$

$x_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}} \rightarrow y_2(t) = t \cdot x_2(t)$

$a \cdot x_1(t) + b \cdot x_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}} \rightarrow y(t)$

$$y(t) = t \cdot [a x_1(t) + b x_2(t)]$$

$$= a \cdot y_1(t) + b \cdot y_2(t)$$

$\therefore$  linear.

Now,  $x_1(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{x}} \rightarrow y_1(t) = t \cdot x_1(t)$

$x(t) = x_1(t-2) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{x}} \rightarrow y(t) = t \cdot x(t)$   
 $= t \cdot x_1(t-2)$

$\therefore$  not time-invariant  $\neq y_1(t-2)$

1b)  $x(t) = e^{j5t} \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{x}} \rightarrow y(t) = e^{j5(t-1)}$   
 $= x(t-1)$

So  $x_1(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{x}} \rightarrow y_1(t) = x_1(t-1)$

$x_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{x}} \rightarrow y_2(t) = x_2(t-1)$

$ax_1(t) + bx_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{x}} \rightarrow y(t)$   
 $= ax_1(t-1) + bx_2(t-1)$   
 $= a \cdot y_1(t) + b \cdot y_2(t)$

$\therefore$  linear.

Now,  $x_1(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{x}} \rightarrow y_1(t) = x_1(t-1)$

$x(t) = x_1(t-2) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{x}} \rightarrow y(t) = x(t-1)$   
 $= x_1(t-1-2)$   
 $= y_1(t-2)$

$\therefore$  time-invariant  $\neq$

3. Consider a LTI system with input  $x(t)$ , output  $y(t)$  and impulse response  $h(t)$ .

It is known that  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$ , where  $*$  is the convolution operator.

Assume  $x(t) = \begin{cases} t+1 & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 2-t & 1 < t \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$  and  $h(t) = \delta(t+0.5) + 2\delta(t-0.5)$

a) Plot  $x(t)$  and  $h(t)$

b) Is this system BIBO stable? Is this system causal? Justify your answer.

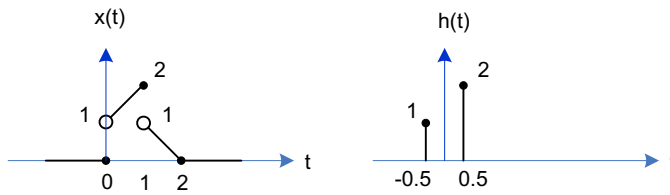
c) Find the range of  $t$  where  $y(t) \neq 0$ . using sliding tape method

d) Find expression for  $y(t)$

e) Plot  $y(t)$

Ans:

a)



b) This system is BIBO stable.

This is because  $\int_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt = \int_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t + 0.5) + 2\delta(t - 0.5) dt = 3 < \infty$

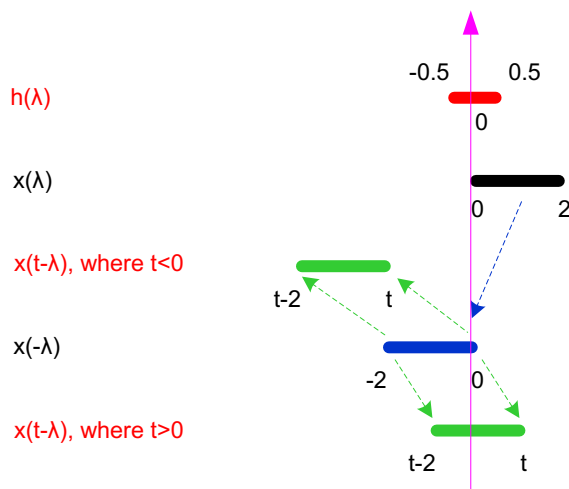
This system is not causal.

This is because  $h(t) \neq 0$  when  $t = -0.5 < 0$

c) For CTLTI system,  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t) = \int_{\lambda=-\infty}^{\infty} h(\lambda) \cdot x(t - \lambda) d\lambda$

To find the range of  $t$  where  $y(t) \neq 0$ , we can plot range of  $x(\lambda)$  and  $h(t - \lambda)$  using tape method first.

The following plot shows how the range of  $x(\lambda)$  and  $h(t - \lambda)$  can be derived.



From the red and blue tape, we found as long as  $-0.5 \leq t \leq 2.5$

$\Rightarrow h(\lambda) \cdot x(t - \lambda) \neq 0$ .

d) Now we want to calculate  $y(t)$  from convolution integral of  $h(t) * x(t)$ .

One can always calculate  $y(t)$  directly by performing convolution integral using

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

However, there may exist other easier ways to calculate the above.

Noticing that  $h(t) = \delta(t + 0.5) + 2\delta(t - 0.5)$ .

Also from homework, we learn that  $x(t) * \delta(t \pm \tau) = x(t \pm \tau)$

We can rewrite the system output  $y(t) = x(t) * \{\delta(t + 0.5) + 2\delta(t - 0.5)\}$

This results in  $y(t) = x(t + 0.5) + 2x(t - 0.5)$ .

Where  $x(t + 0.5)$  is  $x(t)$  shift to the left by 0.5, and  $x(t - 0.5)$  is  $x(t)$  shift to the right by 0.5

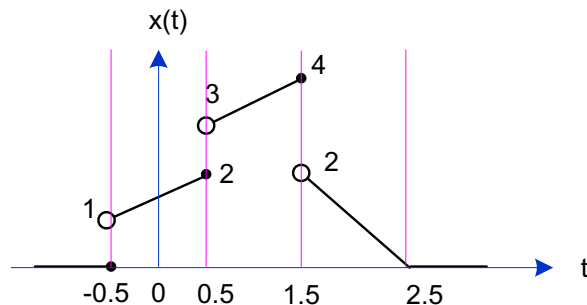
We can now write equation for  $x(t + 0.5)$  and  $2x(t - 0.5)$

$$x(t + 0.5) = \begin{cases} (t + 0.5) + 1 & -0.5 < t \leq 0.5 \\ 2 - (t + 0.5) & 0.5 < t \leq 1.5 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

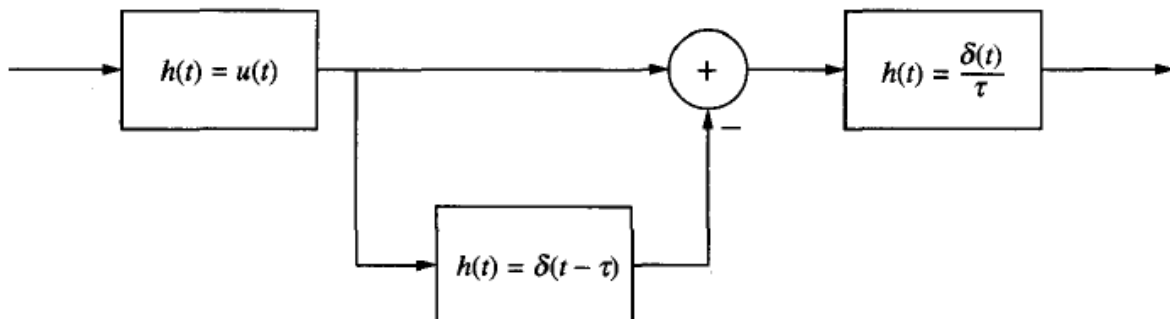
$$2 \cdot x(t - 0.5) = \begin{cases} 2 \cdot \{(t - 0.5) + 1\} & 0.5 < t \leq 1.5 \\ 2 \cdot \{2 - (t - 0.5)\} & 1.5 < t \leq 2.5 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} t + 1.5 & -0.5 < t \leq 0.5 \\ t + 2.5 & 0.5 < t \leq 1.5 \\ 5 - 2t & 1.5 < t \leq 2.5 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

e)



4. Find the impulse response of the system below



Ans:

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{\tau} [u(t) - u(t - \tau)]$$

**2CT.9.3** Use the graphical method of convolution to show that

$$\Pi\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) * \Pi\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) = \tau \wedge \left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)$$

Ans:

$$\Pi\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) * \Pi\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pi\left(\frac{t-\lambda}{\tau}\right) \Pi\left(\frac{\lambda}{\tau}\right) d\lambda$$

The stated result follows by plotting  $\Pi\left(\frac{t-\lambda}{\tau}\right)$ ,  $\Pi\left(\frac{\lambda}{\tau}\right)$  and  $\Pi\left(\frac{t-\lambda}{\tau}\right) \Pi\left(\frac{\lambda}{\tau}\right)$  versus  $\lambda$  for different values of  $t$ . For example, plot these functions for  $0 \leq t < \tau$  to show that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pi\left(\frac{t-\lambda}{\tau}\right) \Pi\left(\frac{\lambda}{\tau}\right) d\lambda = \tau - t$$

when  $0 \leq t < \tau$ . Plot the functions for  $\tau < t$  to show that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pi\left(\frac{t-\lambda}{\tau}\right) \Pi\left(\frac{\lambda}{\tau}\right) d\lambda = 0$$

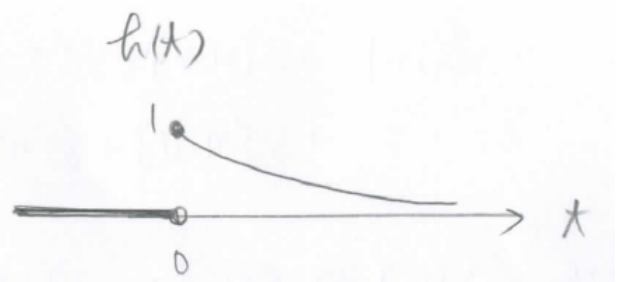
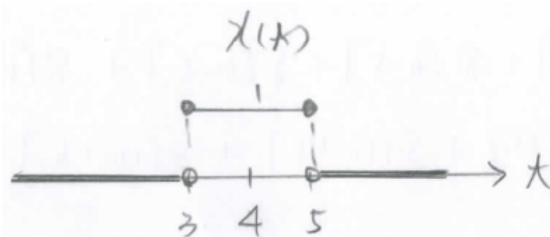
when  $\tau < t$  and so on.

6. Let  $x(t) = \text{rect}\left(\frac{t-4}{2}\right)$  and  $h(t) = e^{-3t} \cdot u(t)$

- Plot  $x(t)$  and  $h(t)$
- Compute  $y_1(t) = x(t) \otimes h(t)$  where  $\otimes$  is convolution operation
- Compute and plot  $y_2(t) = \left(\frac{dx(t)}{dt}\right) \otimes h(t)$
- How is  $y_2(t)$  related to  $y_1(t)$ ?

Ans:

a)



b)



when  $t < 3$   $y(t) = x(t) \otimes h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(z) h(t-z) dz = 0$

when  $3 \leq t < 5$   $y(t) = \int_3^t 1 \cdot e^{-3(t-z)} dz = \int_3^t e^{-3t} e^{3z} dz$   
 $= e^{-3t} \cdot \frac{1}{3} e^{3z} \Big|_3^t = \frac{1}{3} \cdot e^{-3t} (e^{3t} - e^9) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} e^{-3(t-3)}$

when  $t \geq 5$   $y(t) = \int_3^5 e^{-3(t-z)} dz = e^{-3t} \frac{1}{3} e^{3z} \Big|_3^5 = \frac{1}{3} \cdot e^{-3t} (e^{15} - e^9)$

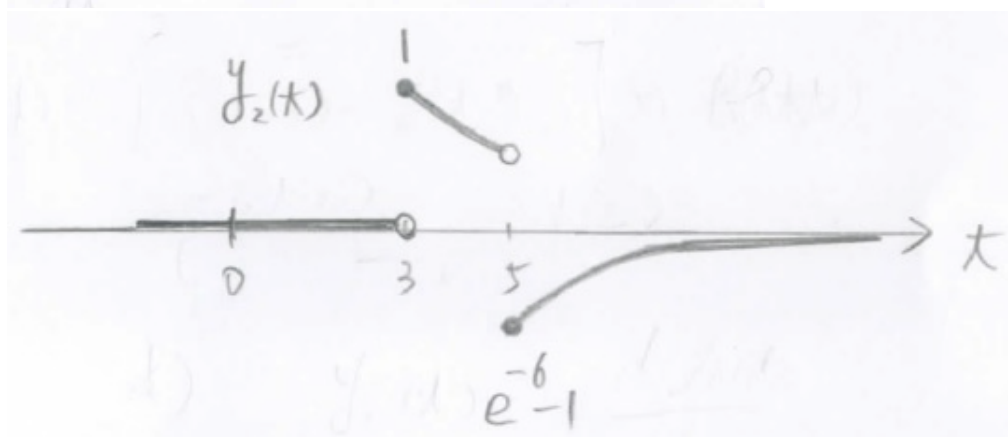
c)

$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \delta(t-3) - \delta(t-5)$ ,  $y_2(t) = [\delta(t-3) - \delta(t-5)] \otimes h(t)$

$= e^{-3(t-3)} u(t-3) - e^{-3(t-5)} u(t-5)$

d)

$y_2(t) = \frac{d}{dt} [x(t) \otimes h(t)] = \frac{dy_1(t)}{dt}$



7. For each of the following systems, the output  $y(t)$  and input  $x(t)$  are related as  $y(t) = T(x(t))$ . Determine whether the system is i) linear, ii) time-invariant or not. Please justify your answers.

c)  $y(t) = T(x(t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{2t} x(\tau) d\tau$

d)  $y(t) = T(x(t)) = e^{-x(t)}$

Ans:

a)

$$y_1(t) = T(x_1(t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{2t} x_1(\tau) d\tau$$

$$y_2(t) = T(x_2(t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{2t} x_2(\tau) d\tau$$

$$y(t) = T(ax_1(t) + bx_2(t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{2t} ax_1(\tau) + bx_2(\tau) d\tau = ay_1(t) + by_2(t)$$

System is linear

$$y_1(t) = T(x_1(t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{2t} x_1(\tau) d\tau$$

$$y(t) = T(x_1(t - \lambda)) = \int_{-\infty}^{2t} x_1(\tau - \lambda) d\tau \neq y_1(t - \lambda)$$

System is not time-invariant

b)  $y_1(t) = T(x_1(t)) = e^{-x_1(t)}$

$$y_2(t) = T(x_2(t)) = e^{-x_2(t)}$$

$$y(t) = T(ax_1(t) + bx_2(t)) = e^{-ax_1(t) - bx_2(t)} \neq ay_1(t) + by_2(t)$$

System is not linear

$$y_1(t) = T(x_1(t)) = e^{-x_1(t)}$$

$$y(t) = T(x_1(t - \tau)) = e^{-x_1(t - \tau)} = y_1(t - \tau)$$

System is time-invariant

8. Consider a LTI system with input  $x(t)$  and output  $y(t)$ .

It is known that  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$ , where ‘ $*$ ’ is the convolution operator.

Assume  $y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t [x(\tau) - x(\tau - 4)] d\tau$ , and  $x(t) = 2 \cdot \Lambda(t - 1)$

a) Plot  $x(t)$

b) Find  $h(t)$  and plot  $h(t)$

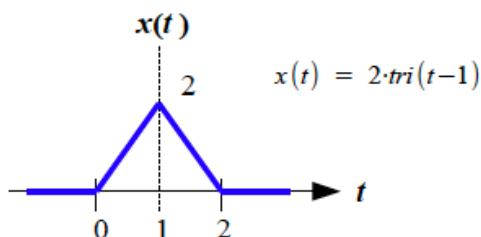
c) Find expression for  $y(t)$

d) Plot  $y(t)$

e) Is this system BIBO stable? Is this system causal? Justify your answer.

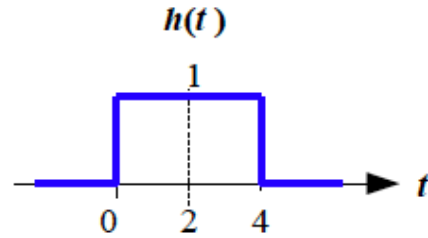
Ans:

(a)



(b)(e)

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^t [x(\tau) - x(\tau-4)] d\tau \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau - \int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau-4) d\tau \quad (s=\tau-4, s=-\infty \sim t-4) \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) u(t-\tau) d\tau - \int_{-\infty}^{t-4} x(s) ds \\
 &= x(t) \otimes u(t) - \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(s) u(t-s-4) ds \\
 &= x(t) \otimes u(t) - x(t) \otimes u(t-4) \\
 &= x(t) \otimes [u(t) - u(t-4)] \\
 &= x(t) \otimes \text{rect}\left(\frac{t-2}{4}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

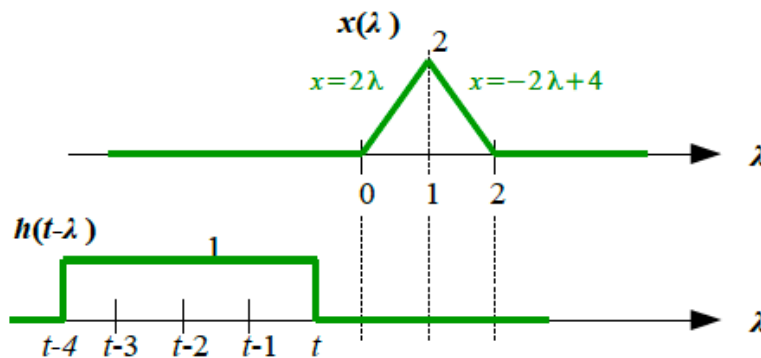


$$\Rightarrow h(t) = \text{rect}\left(\frac{t-2}{4}\right) \quad \#$$

$\Rightarrow$  Because  $h(t < 0) = 0$ , the system is **causal**.

$\Rightarrow$  Because  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt = 4 < \infty$ , the system is **BIBO stable**.

(c)(d)



①  $t < 0$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = 0$$

②  $0 \leq t < 1$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \int_0^t (2\lambda) \cdot (1) d\lambda = t^2$$

③  $1 \leq t < 2$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \int_0^1 (2\lambda) \cdot (1) d\lambda + \int_1^t (-2\lambda + 4) \cdot (1) d\lambda = -t^2 + 4t - 2$$

④  $t \geq 2$  &  $(t-4) < 0$  i.e.,  $2 \leq t < 4$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \int_0^1 2 \cdot \text{tri}(\lambda-1) d\lambda = 2$$

⑤  $0 \leq (t-4) < 1$  i.e.,  $4 \leq t < 5$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \int_{t-4}^1 (2\lambda) \cdot (1) d\lambda + \int_1^2 (-2\lambda + 4) \cdot (1) d\lambda = -t^2 + 8t - 14$$

⑥  $1 \leq (t-4) < 2$  i.e.,  $5 \leq t < 6$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \int_{t-4}^2 (-2\lambda + 4) \cdot (1) d\lambda = t^2 - 12t + 36$$



$$\Rightarrow y(t) = 0$$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} t^2 & , \quad 0 \leq t < 1 \\ -t^2 + 4t - 2 & , \quad 1 \leq t < 2 \\ 2 & , \quad 2 \leq t < 4 \\ -t^2 + 8t - 14 & , \quad 4 \leq t < 5 \\ t^2 - 12t + 36 & , \quad 5 \leq t < 6 \\ 0 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

