

Problem 2.6

Develop the detailed steps involved in deriving Eq. (2.53), starting from Eq. (2.51).

Solution

According to Eq. (2.51),

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_1(\tau)g_2(t-\tau)d\tau \Rightarrow G_1(f)G_2(f)$$

According to Eq. (2.21), if $g(t) \Rightarrow G(f)$, then $g(-t) \Rightarrow G(-f)$. Hence, applying this rule to the problem at hand, we may write

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_1(\tau)g_2(\tau-t)d\tau \Rightarrow G_1(f)G_2(-f)$$

Next, we note that if we complex conjugate the term $g_2(\tau-t)$, then the conjugation theorem of Eq. (2.22) teaches us that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_1(\tau)g_2^*(\tau-t)d\tau \Rightarrow G_1(f)G_2^*(-f)$$

which is the desired result, except for the fact that we have interchanged the roles of variables t and τ .