

Problems for Signals and Systems

Chapter 2 Time Domain Analysis of Continuous Time Systems

- **Solve Differential Equations**

1. Consider the corresponding homogeneous equations of system differential equations

$$(a) \frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 4 \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 3y(t) = 0$$

$$(b) \frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + y(t) = 0$$

For each of the above two cases, if the initial state is $y(0^-) = 0$, $y'(0^-) = 2$, determine the zero-input response for each case.

2. Consider

$$\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 6 \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 5y(t) = \frac{d^2 x(t)}{dt^2} - 2 \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + x(t)$$

$$x(t) = 2e^{-2t}u(t), \quad y(0^+) = -4, \quad y'(0^+) = 6,$$

Determine the complete response $y(t)$.

- **Convolution**

3. Compute the convolution $f_1(t) * f_2(t)$ of the following functions:

(a) $f_1(t) = f_2(t) = u(t)$;

(b) $f_1(t) = f_2(t) = u(t + \tau) - u(t - \tau)$;

(c) $f_1(t) = f_2(t) = u(t) - u(t - \tau)$;

(d) $f_1(t) = u(t + \tau) - u(t - \tau)$, $f_2(t) = u(t + 2\tau) - u(t - 2\tau)$;

(g) $f_1(t) = u(t) - u(t - 4)$, $f_2(t) = \sin \pi t \cdot u(t)$.

4. Let $f_1(t) = u(t + 1) - u(t - 1)$, $f_2(t) = \delta(t + 5) + \delta(t - 5)$, $f_3(t) =$

$\delta\left(t + \frac{1}{2}\right) + \delta\left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)$, plot the waveforms of the following convolutions :

(a) $s_1(t) = f_1(t) * f_2(t);$

(b) $s_2(t) = f_1(t) * f_2(t) * f_2(t);$

(c) $s_3(t) = \{[f_1(t) * f_2(t)][u(t + 5) - u(t - 5)]\} * f_2(t);$

(d) $s_4(t) = f_1(t) * f_3(t)。$

- **Properties of Systems**

5. (a) Consider an LTI system with input $x(t)$ and output $y(t)$ related through the equation

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

What is the impulse response $h(t)$ for this system?

(b) Determine the response of the system when the input $x(t)$ is as shown in

Figure 2.1.

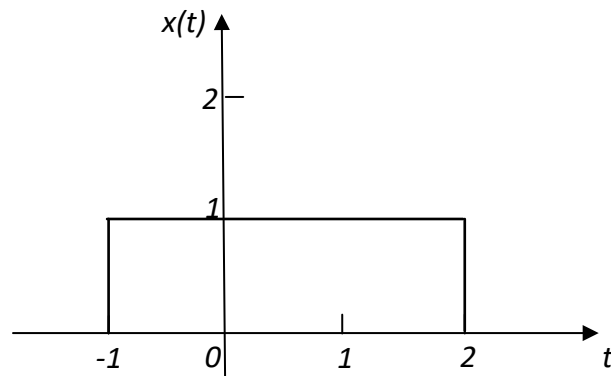


Figure 2.1

6. The system shown in Figure 2.2 is constituted by several subsystems, whose impulse responses are $h_a(t) = \delta(t - 1)$, $h_b(t) = u(t) - u(t - 3)$ respectively. Determine the impulse response $h(t)$ of the overall system.

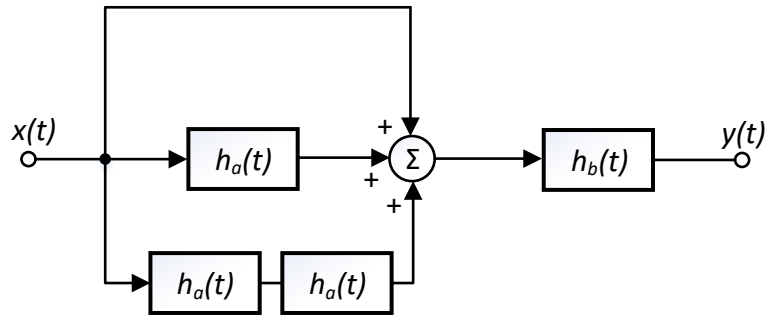


Figure 2.2

7. A LTI system's zero-state response $y_{zs}(t)$ to the excitation signal $\sin t \cdot u(t)$

is $y_{zs}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - |t - 1|, & 0 \leq t \leq 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$, as shown in Figure 2.3

Determine the system's impulse response.

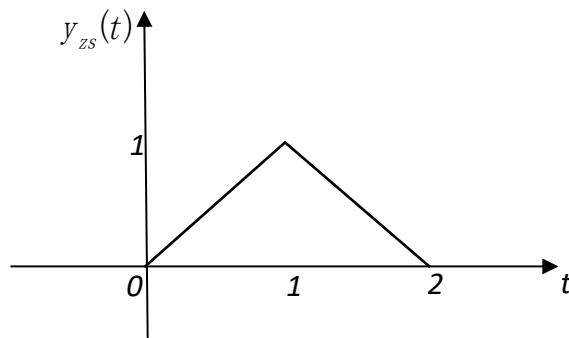


Figure 2.3