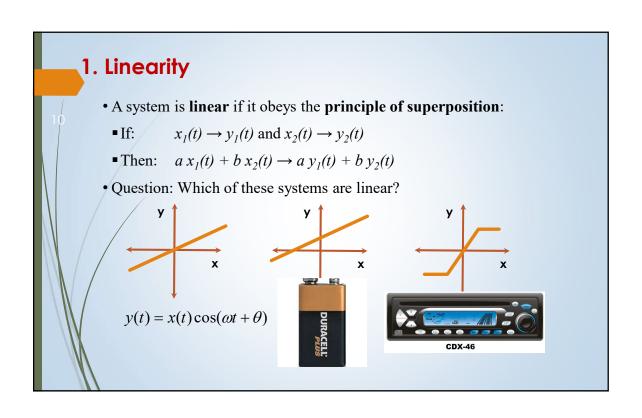


Linear Time-invariant Systems (LTI) a. Linearity b. Time invariance c. Causality d. Stability



2. Time-Invariance

- Informally, a system is time-invariant (TI) if its behavior does not **depend on the choice of** t = 0. Then two identical experiments will yield the same results, regardless the starting time.
- Mathematically CT time-invariant system:

if
$$x(t) \rightarrow y(t)$$
, then $x(t-t_0) \rightarrow y(t-t_0)$.

• Examples:

$$y(t) = 1 + x(t)\cos(\omega t + \theta)$$

$$y(t) = \int_{0}^{\infty} x(t-\tau)e^{-\beta\tau}d\tau$$

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

Time-Invariance and Periodicity

• Fact: If the input to a TI system is **periodic**, then the output is also periodic with **the same** period.

• "Proof":

Suppose: x(t+T)=x(t)

and:

 $x(t) \rightarrow y(t)$

Then by TI:

 $x(t+T) \rightarrow y(t+T)$

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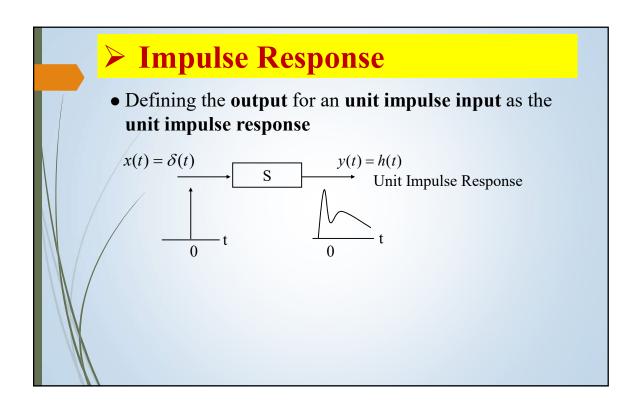
But these are So these must be the same input! the same output.

Therefore: y(t) = y(t+T).

A basic fact: If we know the response of an LTI system to some inputs (e.g., sinewaves), we actually know the response to many inputs.

Why? Because we can build complex signals out of simple signals, and we can use the principle of linearity to compute the output of the complex signals by summing the outputs from the simpler signals.

 $\int_{0}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau = \int_{0}^{t} x(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau$ **3.** Causality: h(t) = 0 n < 0 which implies: This means y(t) only depends on $x(\tau < t)$. ✓ A system is causal if the output does not depend on future values of the input, i.e., if the output at any time depends only on **4. Stability:** $\int_{0}^{\infty} |h(t)| < \infty$ values of the input up to that time. Bounded Input ↔ Bounded Output **Sufficient Condition:** ✓ **stable** if bounded input gives bounded output for $|x(t)| \le x_{\text{max}} < \infty$ ✓ Stable if the impulse response is absolutely $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt < \infty$ $|y(t)| = \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau \right| \le x_{\max} \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t-\tau)d\tau < \infty \right|$ or absolutely integrable, **Necessary Condition:** if $\left| \int_{0}^{\infty} h(t-\tau) \right| = \infty$ Let $x(t) = h^*(-t)/|h(-t)|$, then |x(t)| = 1 (bounded) But $y(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(0-\tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h^*(-\tau)}{|h(-\tau)|}h(0-\tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(0-\tau)|d\tau = \infty$



$$x(t) \longrightarrow b(t) \qquad y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$$

$$h(t) \to x(t) = \delta(t)$$

- Denote the system impulse response, h(t), as the output produced when the input is a unit impulse function, $\delta(t)$.
- From time-invariance: $\delta(t-\tau) \rightarrow h(t-\tau)$
- From linearity:

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)\delta(t-\tau)d\tau \quad \to \quad y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau = x(t) * h(t)$$

This is referred to as the convolution integral for CT signals and systems.

Its computation is completely analogous to the DT version:

$$h(\tau) \xrightarrow{Flip} h(-\tau) \xrightarrow{Slide} h(t-\tau) \xrightarrow{Multiply}$$

$$x(\tau)h(t-\tau) \xrightarrow{Integrate} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau$$

The RC Circuit (LP Filter)

Voltage Balance:
$$RI(t) + y(t) = x(t)$$

$$x(t) = V_{in}(t) C_{in}(t) = V_{out}(t) = y(t)$$
Current controlled by Capacitance (C):

Voltage Balance:

$$RI(t) + y(t) = x(t)$$

$$I(t) = C \frac{dy(t)}{dt}$$

Time-domain solution:



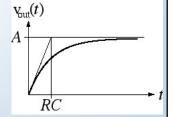
Differential equation of RC filters system:

$$x(t) = RC \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + y(t)$$

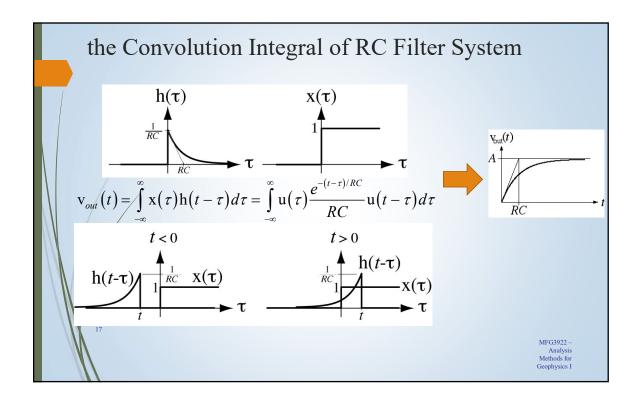
$$t < 0: \quad \mathbf{v}_{out}(t) = 0$$

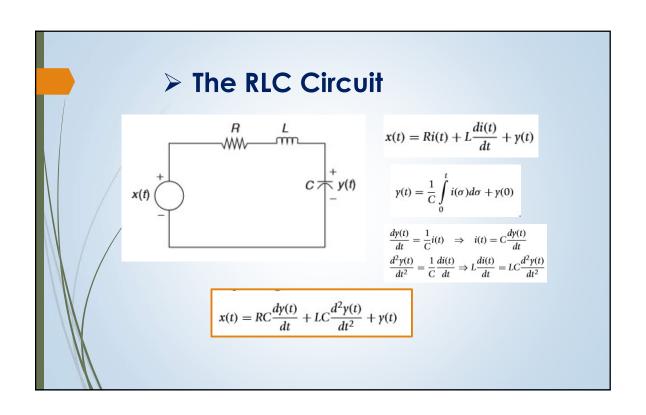
$$t > 0$$
: $\mathbf{v}_{out}(t) = \int_{0}^{\infty} \mathbf{u}(\tau) \frac{e^{-(t-\tau)/RC}}{RC} \mathbf{u}(t-\tau) d\tau$

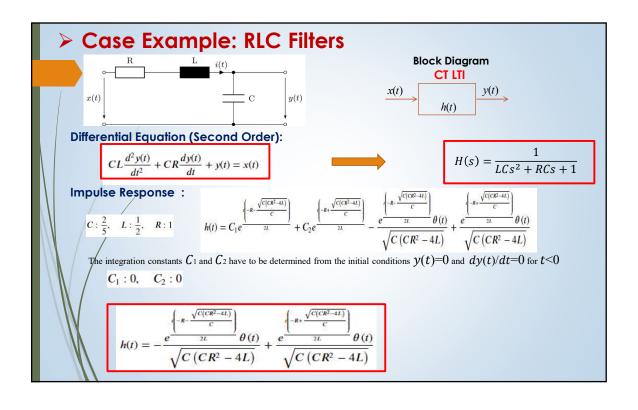
$$\mathbf{v}_{out}(t) = \frac{1}{RC} \int_{0}^{t} e^{-(t-\tau)/RC} d\tau = \frac{1}{RC} \left[\frac{e^{-(t-\tau)/RC}}{-1/RC} \right]_{0}^{t} = \left[-e^{-(t-\tau)/RC} \right]_{0}^{t} = 1 - e^{-t/RC}$$

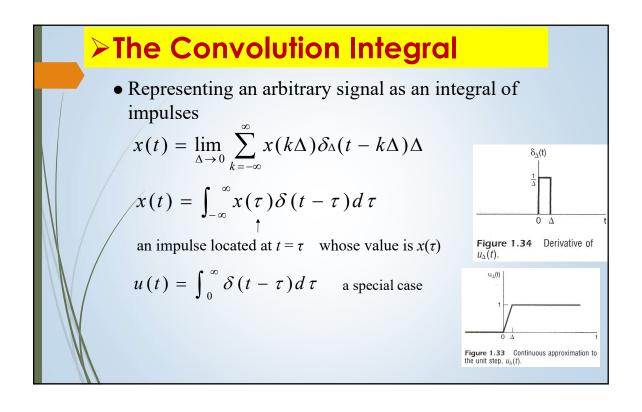


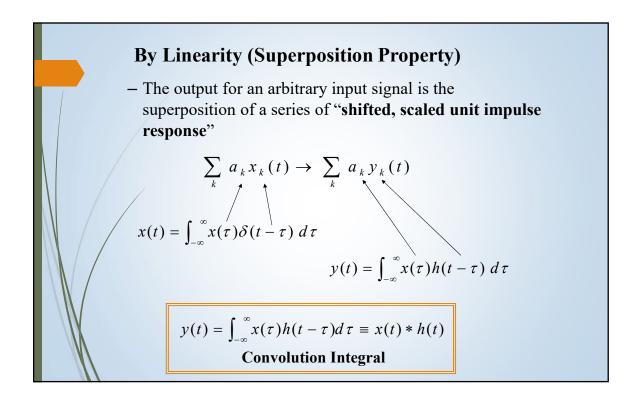
$$\mathbf{v}_{out}(t) = (1 - e^{-t/RC})\mathbf{u}(t)$$

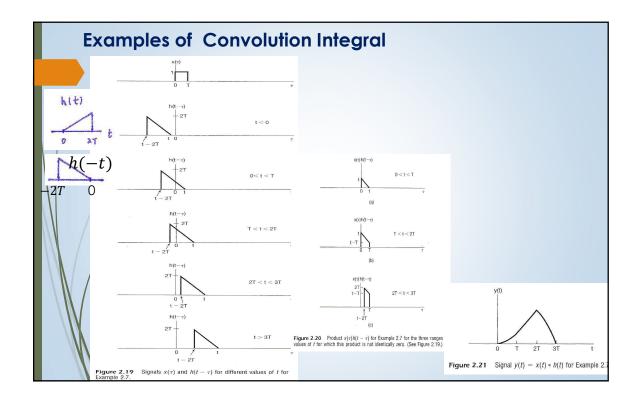


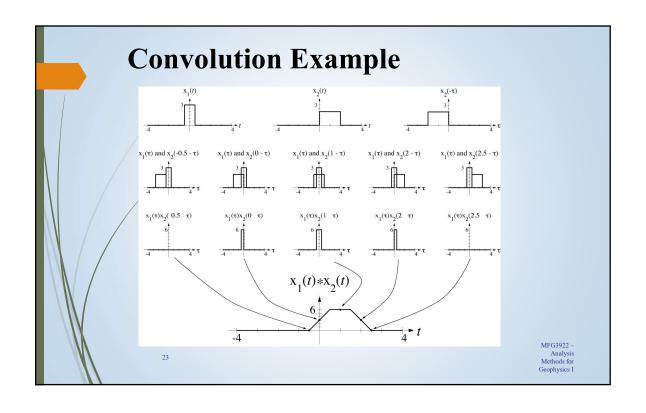


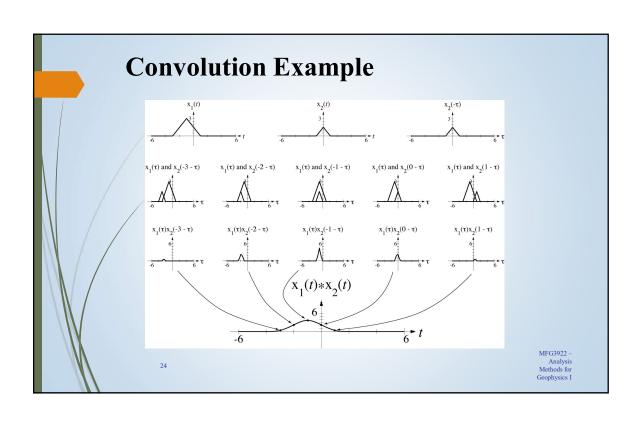


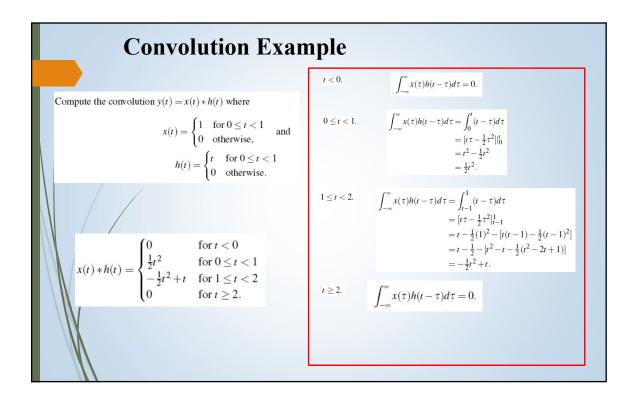


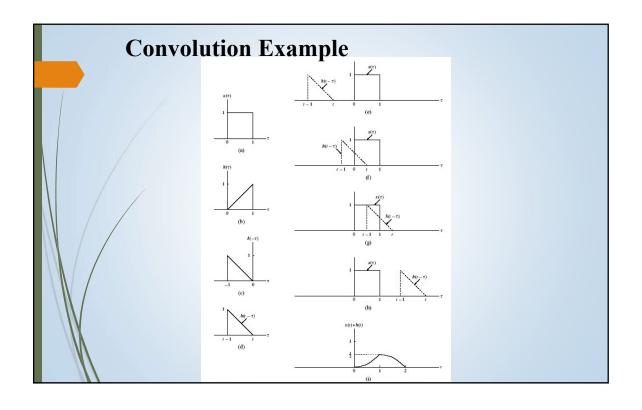


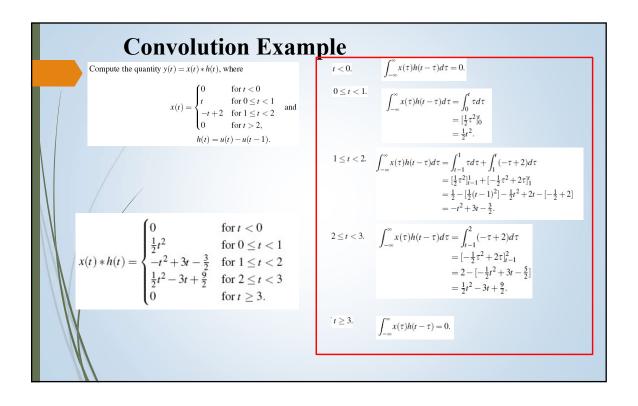


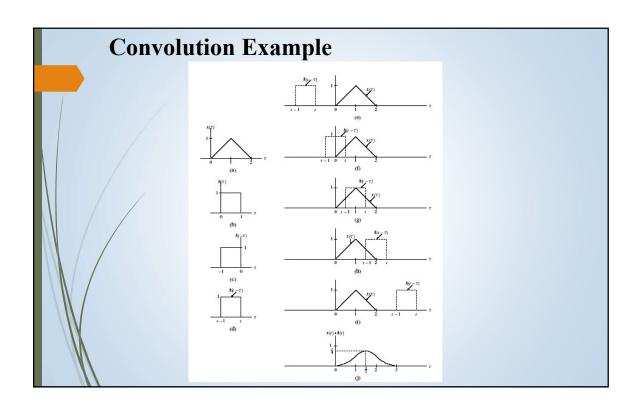














Compute the convolution y(t) = x(t) * h(t) where

$$x(t) = e^{-at}u(t)$$
, and

and a is a positive real constant. h(t) = u(t),

$$\begin{split} y(t) &= x(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) h(t-\tau) d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-a\tau} u(\tau) u(t-\tau) d\tau. \end{split}$$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{a}(1 - e^{-at}) & \text{for } t > 0\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$= \frac{1}{a}(1 - e^{-at})u(t).$$

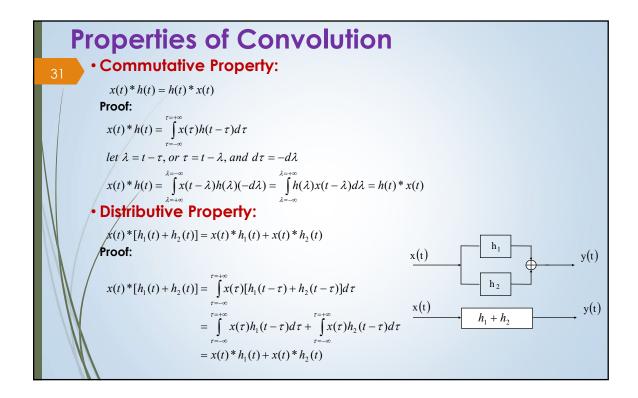
convolution of a signal with a shifted impulse

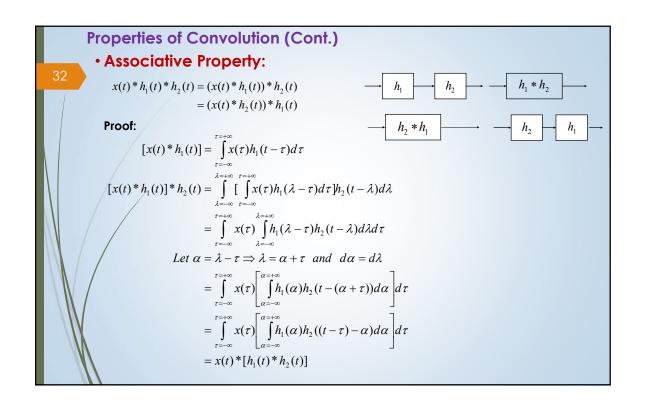
- time shift of signals

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
x(t) & y(t) = x(t-t_0) \\
\delta(t) & h(t) = \delta(t-t_0)
\end{array}$$

$$x(t-t_0) = x(t) * \delta(t-t_0)$$

 convolution of a signal with a shifted impulse is the signal itself but shifted





• Memoryless / with Memory

- A linear, time-invariant, causal system is memory less only $h(t) = K\delta(t)$ y(t) = Kx(t)if

if k=1 further, they are identity systems
$$y(t) = x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) \delta(t - \tau) d\tau = x(t) * \delta(t)$$

- sifting property, i.e., convolution sum (or integral) with an unit impulse function gives the original signal
- Invertibility / Inverse system

$$\begin{array}{c}
x(t) \\
h(t) \\
h(t) \\
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
h(t) \\
h_1(t)
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
x(t) \\
h_2(t)
\end{array}$$

Sifting Property:

 $x(t) * \delta(t - t_0) = x(t - t_0)$

Proof:
$$x(t)*\delta(t-t_0) = \int_{\tau=-\infty}^{\tau=+\infty} x(\tau)\delta(t-t_0-\tau)d\tau = \int_{\tau=t-t_0^-}^{t-t_0^+} x(\tau)\delta(t-t_0-\tau)d\tau = x(t-t_0)$$
• Integration:
$$x(t)*u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} x(\tau)d\tau$$
Proof:

$$x(t) * u(t) = \int_{0}^{\tau} x(\tau) d\tau$$

Proof:

$$x(t) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)u(t-\tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{t} x(\tau)d\tau \quad because \quad u(t-\tau) = 0 \text{ for } \tau > t$$

Step Response (follows from the integration property):

$$u(t) * h(t) = h(t) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} h(\tau) d\tau$$

Comments:

- Requires proof of the commutative property.
- In practice, measuring the step response of a system is much easier than measuring the impulse response directly. How can we obtain the impulse response from the step response?

