

# **Signal Processing**

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# CT Signals and Systems – Preamble

- By and large, features and properties of CT signals and systems look very similar or are the same as their DT counterparts. The terminology is largely identical.
- When a CT System is LTI then it can be characterized in terms of an impulse response which itself is in the form of a signal. That is, knowing the impulse response signal of a CT LTI System completely characterizes it (apart from initial conditions).

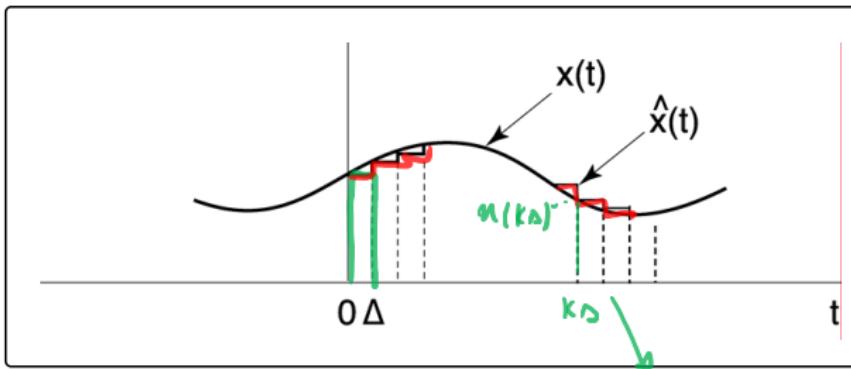


# CT Signals and Systems – Representation



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Approximate any CT signal  $x(t)$  as a sum of shifted, scaled rectangular pulses:



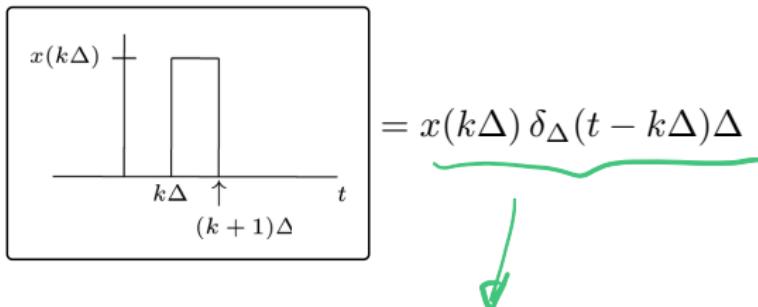
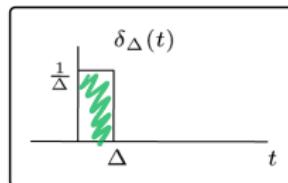
$$\underline{\hat{x}(t)} = x(k\Delta), \quad k\Delta < t < (k+1)\Delta$$

(Here  $\hat{x}(t)$  denotes an approximation to  $x(t)$ .)

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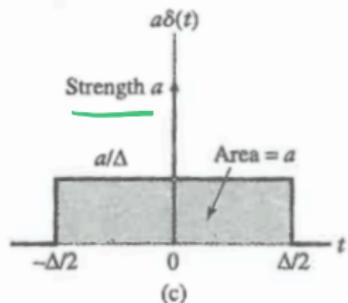
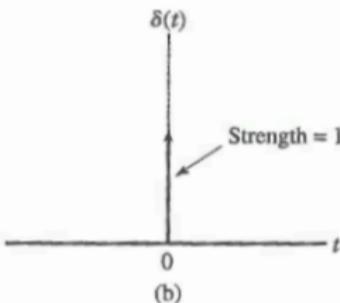
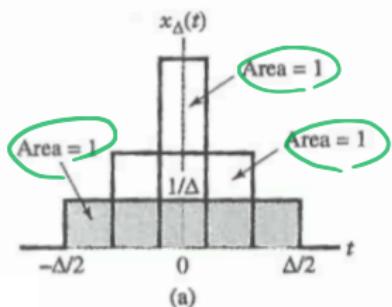
Define a rectangle pulse

$$\delta_{\Delta}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Delta} & 0 < t < \Delta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

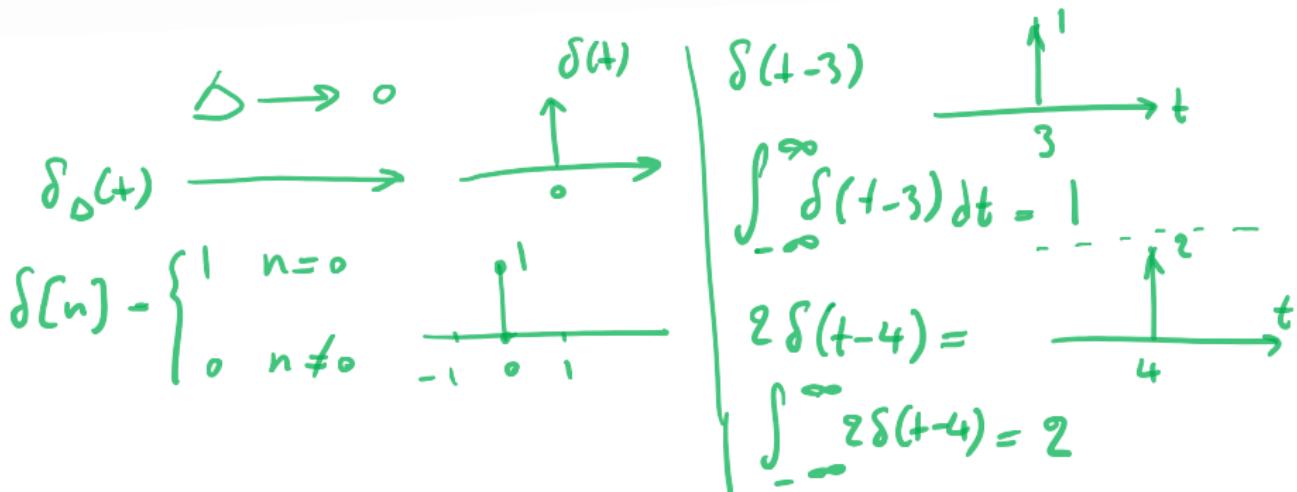


Whence

$$\widehat{x}(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k\Delta) \delta_{\Delta}(t - k\Delta)\Delta$$



**FIGURE 1.42** (a) Evolution of a rectangular pulse of unit area into an impulse of unit strength (i.e., unit impulse). (b) Graphical symbol for unit impulse. (c) Representation of an impulse of strength  $a$  that results from allowing the duration  $\Delta$  of a rectangular pulse of area  $a$  to approach zero.



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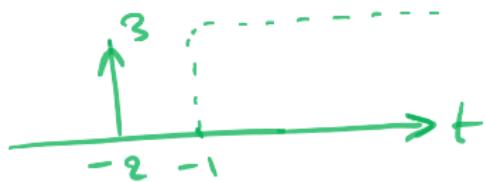
$$\hat{x}(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k\Delta) \delta_{\Delta}(t - k\Delta)$$

In the limit as  $\Delta \rightarrow 0$  we infer

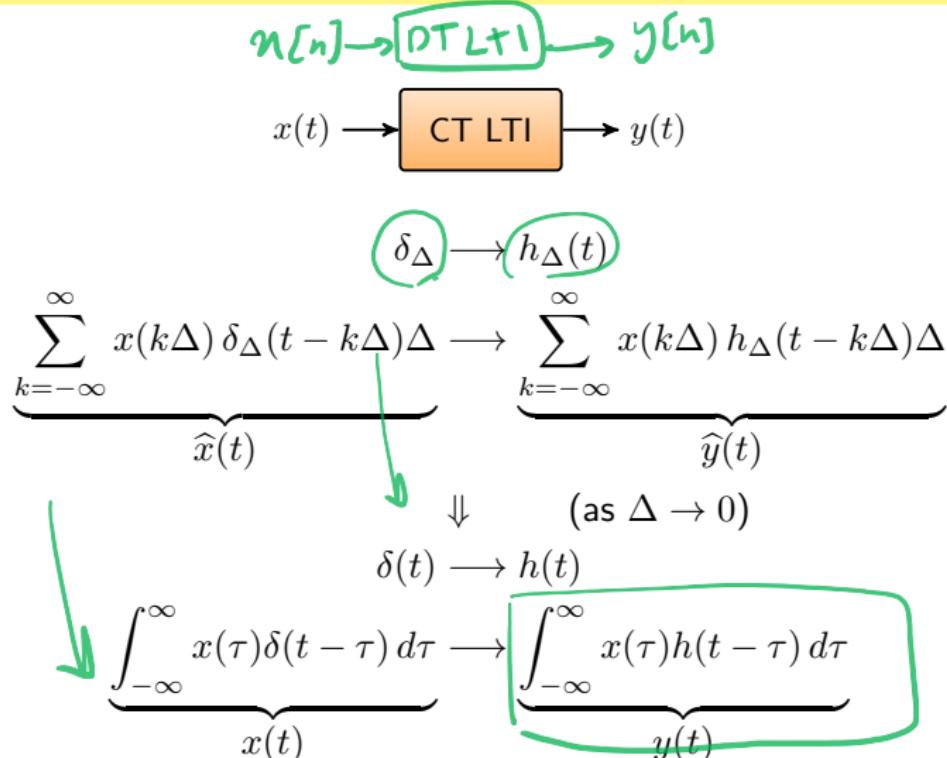
$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) \delta(t - \tau) d\tau$$

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Example:  $\int_{-1}^{\infty} 3\delta(t+2) = 0$



# CT Signals and Systems – Response of a CT LTI System



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$$y[n] = n[n] * h[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} n[k] h[n-k]$$

DT impulse res.

## Convolution Integral

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

## Interpretation

- I  $h(\tau) \xrightarrow{\text{Flip}} h(-\tau)$
- II  $h(-\tau) \xrightarrow{\text{Shift}} h(t - \tau)$
- III  $h(t - \tau) \xrightarrow{\text{Multiply}} x(\tau)h(t - \tau)$
- IV  $x(\tau)h(t - \tau) \xrightarrow{\text{Integrate}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau) d\tau = y(t)$

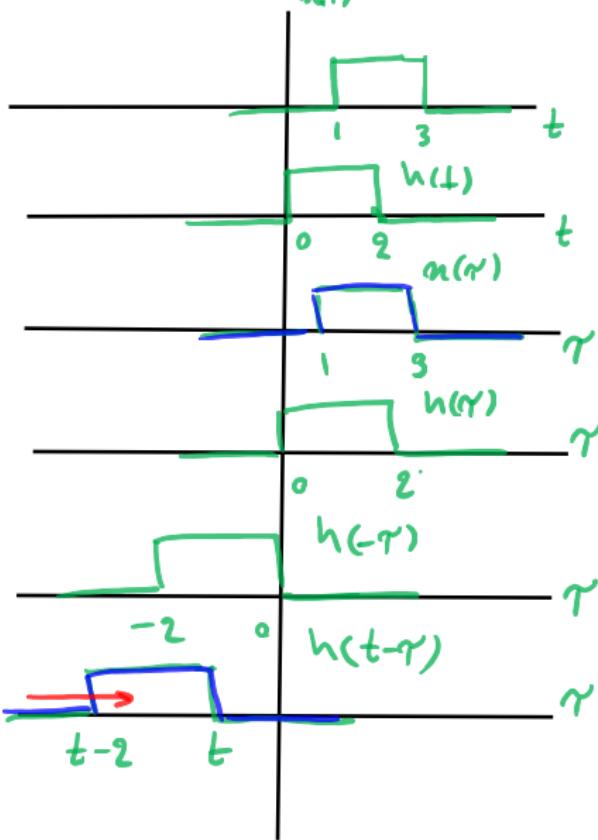
Example:

$$x(t) * h(t) = ?$$

$$x(t) = u(t-1) - u(t-3)$$

$$h(t) = u(t) - u(t-2)$$

$$u(t)$$



$$\text{For } t < 1 : y(t) = 0$$

there is no overlap

$$\text{For } 1 \leq t \leq 3 :$$

$$\begin{aligned}y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} n(r) h(t-r) dr \\&= \int_1^t (1)(1) dr = r \Big|_1^t = t-1\end{aligned}$$

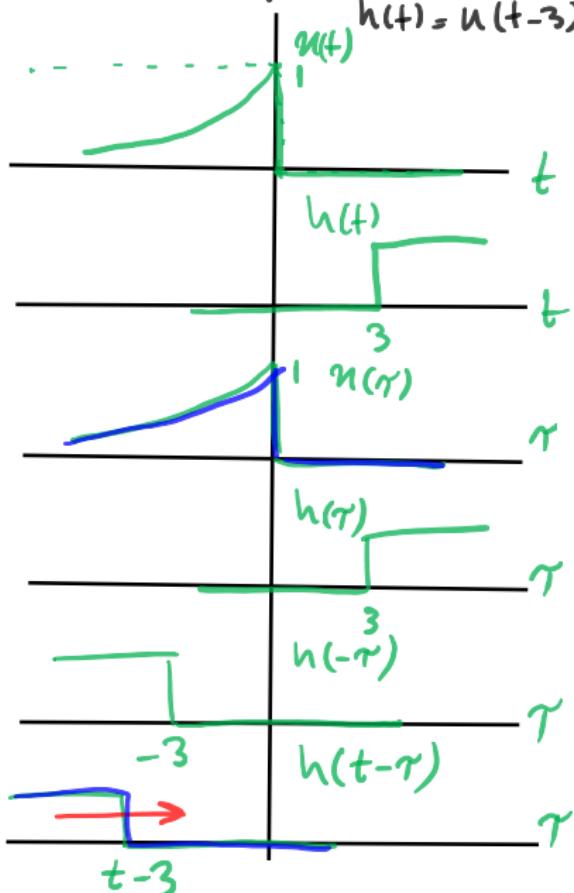
$$\text{For } 3 \leq t \leq 5 :$$

$$\begin{aligned}y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} n(r) h(t-r) dr = \\&= \int_{t-2}^3 (1)(1) dr = r \Big|_{t-2}^3 = 5-t\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For } t > 5 \quad y(t) = 0$$



Another example:  $u(t) = e^{2t} u(-t)$



For  $t \leq 3$ :

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t-3} e^{2r} dr = \frac{1}{2} e^{2r} \Big|_{-\infty}^{t-3}$$

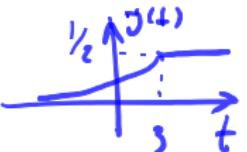
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( e^{2(t-3)} - \cancel{e^0} \right) = \frac{1}{2} e^{2(t-3)}$$

For  $t \geq 3$

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{2r} dr = \frac{1}{2} e^{2r} \Big|_{-\infty}^0$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^{2(0)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

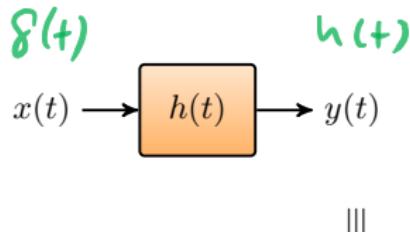
$$y(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} e^{2(t-3)} & t < 3 \\ \frac{1}{2} & t \geq 3 \end{cases}$$



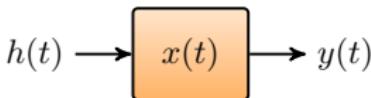
# CT System Properties – Commutativity



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$$\begin{aligned}y(t) &= x(t) \star h(t) \\&= h(t) \star x(t)\end{aligned}$$



- This follows from (change variables to  $\sigma = t - \tau$ )

$$\begin{aligned}y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau) d\tau \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t - \sigma)h(\sigma) d\sigma\end{aligned}$$

# CT System Properties – Sifting Property



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**Sifting Property:**

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

That is, a system response  $x(t) \xrightarrow{h(t)} y(t)$  of the form

$$h(t) = \delta(t - t_0),$$

acts as a time delay of  $t_0$ , that is,

$$y(t) = x(t - t_0).$$

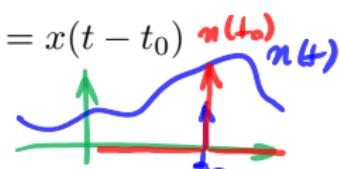


# CT System Properties – Sifting Property (cont'd)

Note that  $x(t) \star \delta(t - t_0)$  is different from  $x(t) \delta(t - t_0)$ . The expression on the left is convolution of two signals and the expression on the right is pointwise multiplication.

- Convolution

I  $x(t) \star \delta(t - t_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) \delta(t - \tau - t_0) d\tau$



- Pointwise multiplication

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

which is a scaled impulse response.

III  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \delta(t - t_0) dt = x(t_0) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - t_0) dt = x(t_0)$

Examples:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} n(t) \delta(t) dt = n(0)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} n(t) \delta(t-5) dt = n(5)$$

(III)  $t_0=5$

$$\int_{-1}^1 \cos(t) \delta(t) dt = \cos(0)$$

$$\int_1^3 \cos(t) \delta(t-2) dt = \cos(2)$$
$$\cos(2) \delta(t-2)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-4(t-1)} \delta(t-2) dt = e^{-4(2-1)} = e^{-4}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} n(t-3) \delta(t+4) dt = n(-4-3) \\ = n(-7)$$

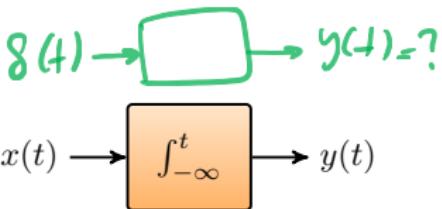
# CT System Properties – Integrator



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**Integrator Property:**

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

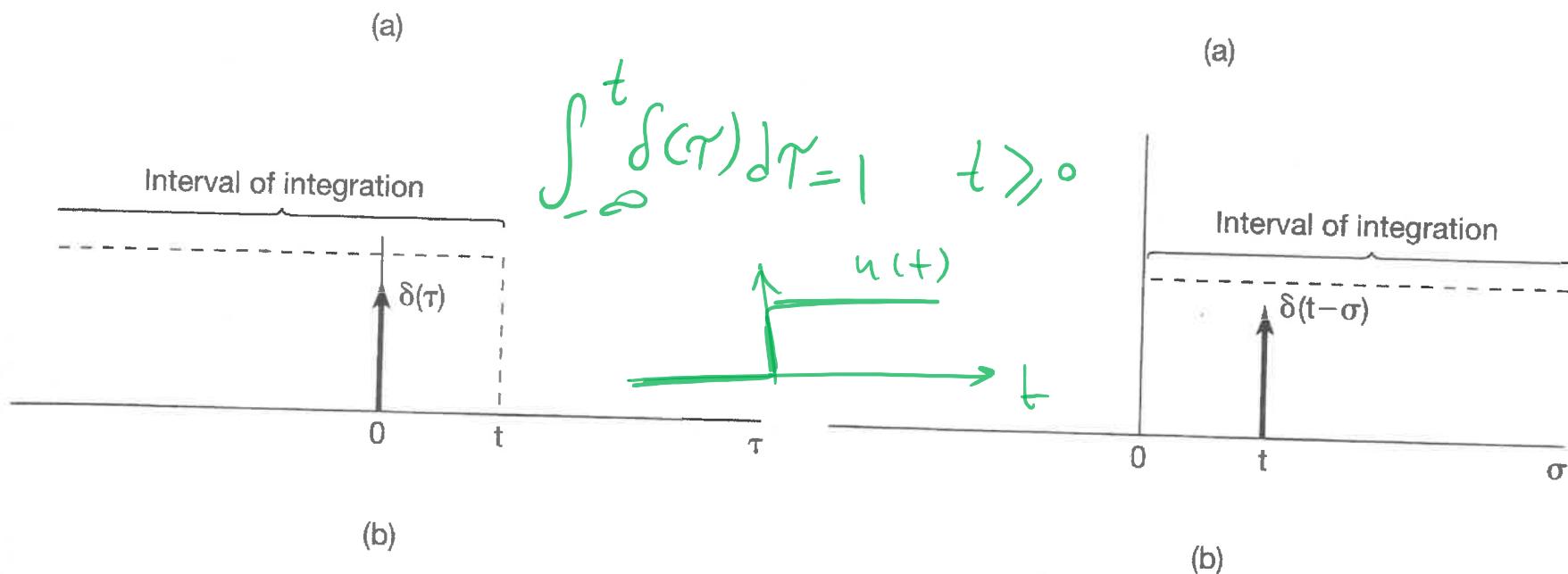
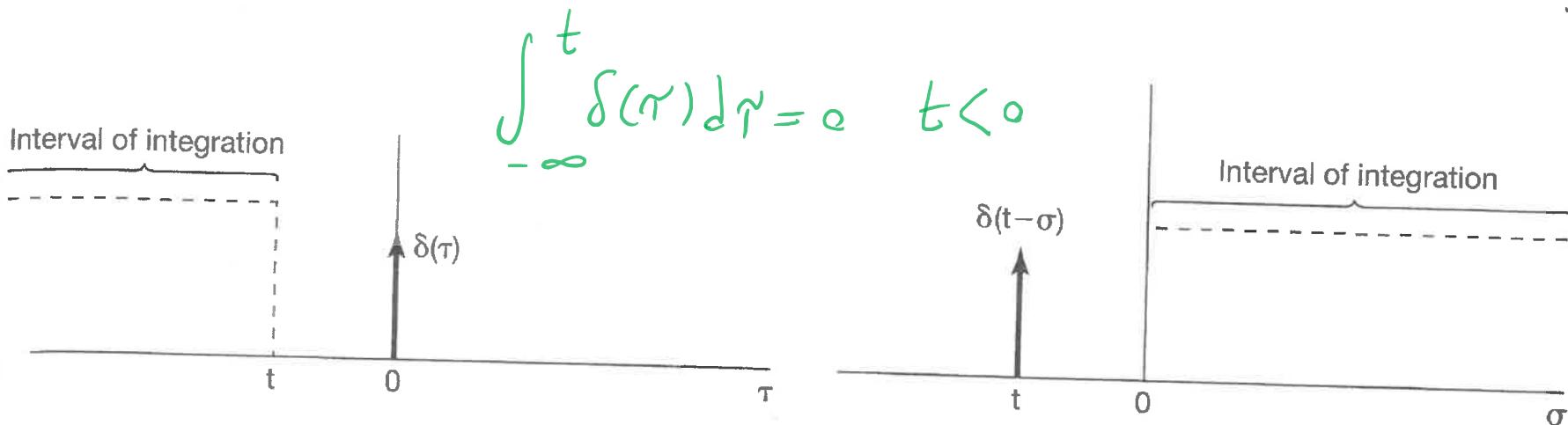


So we need to determine the system response  $h(t)$  to synthesize the integrator (2). But  $y(t) = h(t)$  is output when  $x(t) = \delta(t)$  is input, so substituting into (2)

$$\begin{aligned} h(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau) d\tau \\ &= u(t) \quad (\text{step function}) \end{aligned}$$

$h(t) = u(t)$

That is, a system response of the form  $h(t) = u(t)$  acts as an integrator.



**Figure 1.37** Running integral given in eq. (1.71):  
 (a)  $t < 0$ ; (b)  $t > 0$ .

**Figure 1.38** Relationship given in eq. (1.75):  
 (a)  $t < 0$ ; (b)  $t > 0$ .

# CT System Properties – Step Response



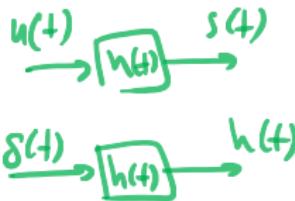
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$h(t) \rightarrow$  impulse response  
 $\delta(t) \rightarrow$  Step response

**Step Response:** Let  $x(t) = u(t)$  be a step input signal to a CT LTI System with pulse response  $h(t)$ , then the output signal is given by

$$s(t) = u(t) * h(t) = h(t) * u(t)$$

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



This is a common test signal used in diagnosing physical systems (often called “plants”).

For DT LTI Systems:

$$s[n] = u[n] * h[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n h[k]$$



Examples:

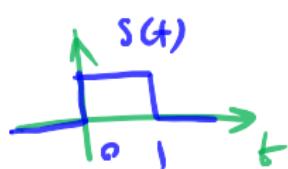
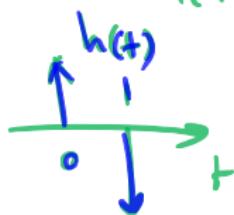
$$h(t) = \delta(t) - \delta(t-1)$$

$$s(t) = ?$$

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

$$= \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau) d\tau - \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau-1) d\tau$$

$$= u(t) - u(t-1)$$



$$h[n] = (\frac{1}{2})^n u[n]$$

$$s[n] = ?$$

$$s[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n h[k]$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^n (\frac{1}{2})^k u[k] = \sum_{k=0}^n (\frac{1}{2})^k$$

$$\leftarrow \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{2}^k = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}^N}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{formula sheet}$$

$$= \frac{1 - (\frac{1}{2})^{n+1}}{\frac{1}{2}} = 2 - (\frac{1}{2})^n \quad n \geq 0$$

$$s[n] = \left\{ 2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \right\} u[n]$$



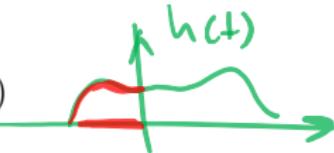
## Theorem (Causal CT LTI System)

A CT LTI system is **causal** if and only if its pulse response,  $h(t)$ , satisfies

$$h(t) = 0, \quad \text{for all } t < 0.$$

- If  $h(t) \neq 0$  for at least one  $t = -t_0$  ( $t_0 > 0$ ) then the output at time  $t$ ,  $y(t)$ , would have an integrand term

$$h(-t_0)x(t + t_0)$$



and hence not be causal.

For DT LTI System:  $h[n] = 0$  for all  $n < 0$



## Stability Property:

### Definition (CT LTI System Stability)

CT LTI system,  $x(t) \xrightarrow{h(t)} y(t)$ , is **stable**, if and only if

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(\tau)| d\tau < \infty$$

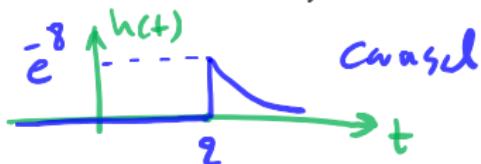
For DT LTI system:

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| < \infty$$



Examples:

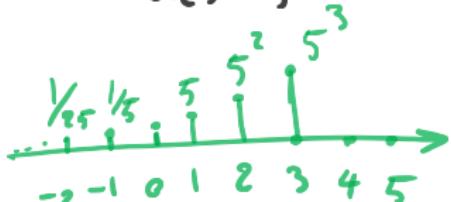
$$h(t) = e^{-4t} u(t-2)$$



$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(\gamma)| d\gamma &= \int_2^{\infty} e^{-4t} dt \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} e^{-4t} \Big|_2^{\infty} = \frac{1}{4} e^{-8} < \infty \end{aligned}$$

The system is stable.

$$h[n] = 5^n u[3-n]$$



The system is non-causal

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| = \sum_{k=-\infty}^3 5^k$$

$\downarrow$  formula sheet

$$\star \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha^n = \alpha^{-k} \left( \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} \right)$$

$\downarrow n = -k$

$$= 5^3 \left( \frac{5}{5-1} \right) = \frac{625}{4} < \infty$$

The system is stable.