

Signal Analysis & Communication

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Ch. 2-3

Properties of LTI Systems

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# Properties of LTI Systems (Ch. 2-3)

## ① Convolution is Commutative

$$CT: x(t) * h(t) = h(t) * x(t)$$

Proof:

LHS

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

$$\text{let } s = t - \tau ; \quad ds = -d\tau ; \text{ limits: } \infty \rightarrow -\infty$$

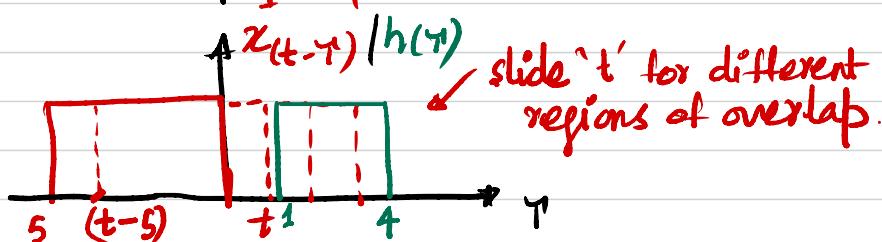
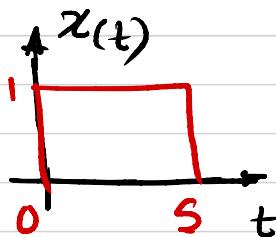
$$x(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(t-s) h(s) ds$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) x(t-s) ds = RHS$$

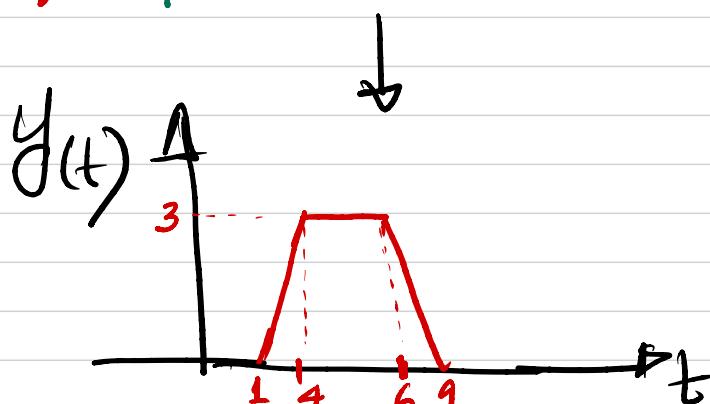
$\Rightarrow ds$   
limits:  $-\infty \rightarrow \infty$

DT: Similar

Example 1:  
(previous  
Ex. 2)



slide 't' for different regions of overlap.



Example 2:  $x(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\delta(t)} \rightarrow z(t)$

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

identity system

By property,

$$\delta(t) \rightarrow \boxed{x(t)} \rightarrow z(t)$$

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

exist at  $\tau=0$

$$\Downarrow = z(t)$$

## ② Convolution is Associative

$$CT: [x(t) * h_1(t)] * h_2(t) = x(t) * [h_1(t) * h_2(t)]$$

Proof LHS

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau) h_1(t-\tau) d\tau \right] * h_2(t) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau) h_1(s-\tau) d\tau \right] h_2(t-s) ds \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau) \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h_1(s-\tau) h_2(t-s) ds \right] d\tau - \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

RHS

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau) [h_1 * h_2](t-\tau) d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau) \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h_1(\tau') h_2(t-\tau-\tau') d\tau' \right] d\tau \end{aligned}$$

NOTE:  $x(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau) h(t-\tau) d\tau$

$(x * h)(t-\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau) h(t-\tau-\tau') d\tau'$

let  $\tau' = s - \tau$ ,  $d\tau' = ds$ , limits: same

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau) \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h_1(s-\tau) h_2(t-s) ds \right] d\tau - \textcircled{2}$$

$$\neq x(t-\tau) * h(t-\tau)$$

$\textcircled{1} = \textcircled{2}$  systems in series



NOTE: 1. We can simply write  $x(t) * h_1(t) * h_2(t)$

2. Commutative + Associative

$$x(t) * h_1(t) * h_2(t) = x(t) * h_2(t) * h_1(t)$$

3. Extend to any number of sys. in series.

$$x(t) * h_1(t) * h_2(t) * \dots * h_n(t) = y(t)$$

DT: Similar

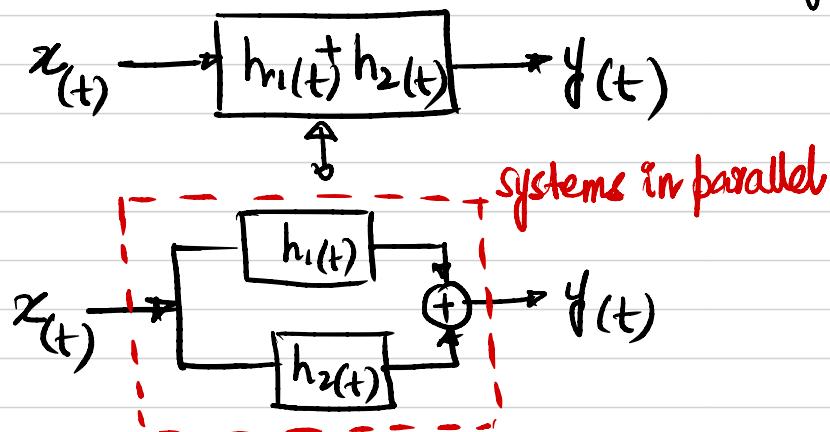
③ Convolution is Distributive:

$$\text{LT: } x(t) * [h_1(t) + h_2(t)] = x(t) * h_1(t) + x(t) * h_2(t)$$

Proof

I. Using expr. LHS = RHS,  $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau_1) \cdots d\tau_1 = \dots$

II. View  $x(t)$  as sig. &  $[h_1(t) + h_2(t)]$  as sys.



Example  $h(t) = u(t) + u(t-1) + u(t-2)$

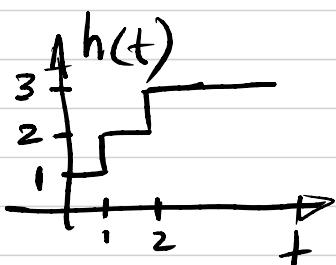
$$x(t) = e^{-at} u(t)$$

$$\text{Find } y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$$

$$x(t) * u(t) = \frac{1}{a} (1 - e^{-at}) u(t) \quad (\text{previous Ex.})$$

$$x(t) * u(t-1) = \frac{1}{a} (1 - e^{-a(t-1)}) u(t-1)$$

$$x(t) * u(t-2) = \frac{1}{a} (1 - e^{-a(t-2)}) u(t-2)$$



$$\text{So, } x(t) * h(t) = \frac{1}{a} \left[ (1 - e^{-at}) u(t) + (1 - e^{-a(t-1)}) u(t-1) \dots \right]$$

