

# Signal Processing and Linear Systems

## Chapter 2

# Linear Time-Invariant Systems (Continuous-Time)



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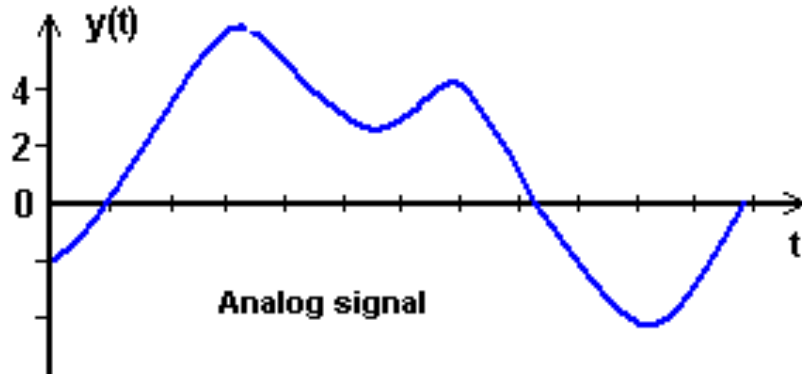


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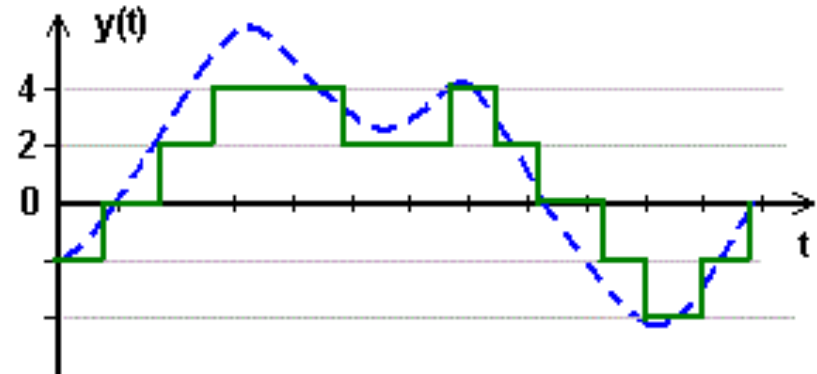
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# Continuous & Discrete

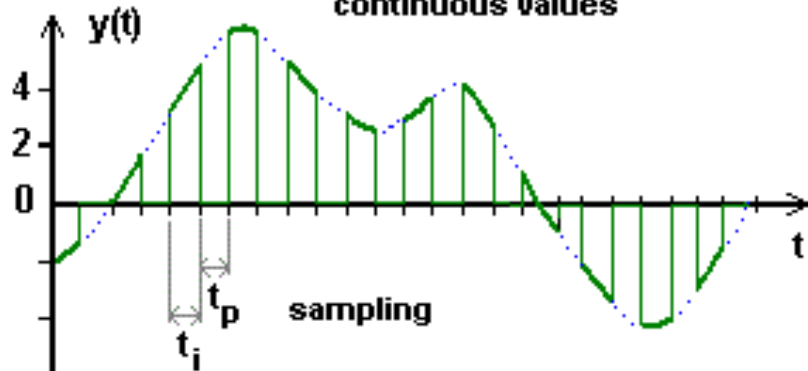
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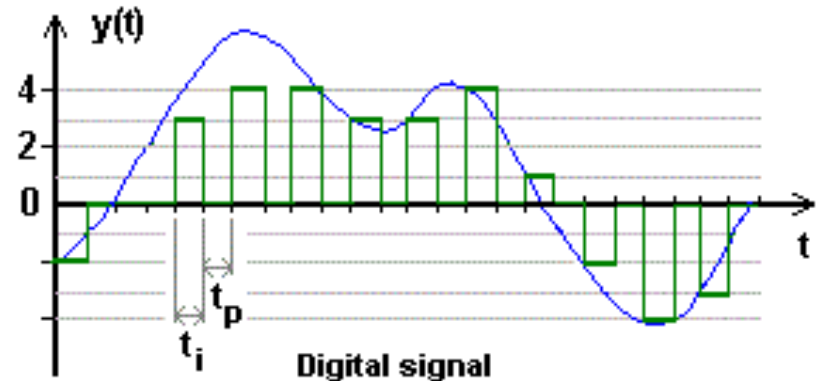
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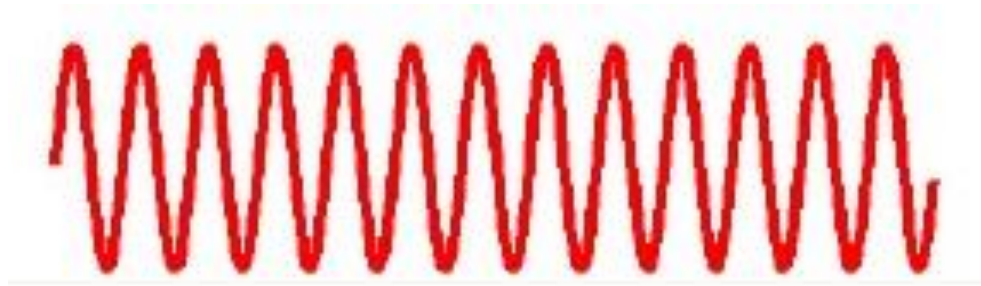


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# Deterministic & Random

- *Deterministic* signal
  - Signal value is completely determined at a given time  $t$



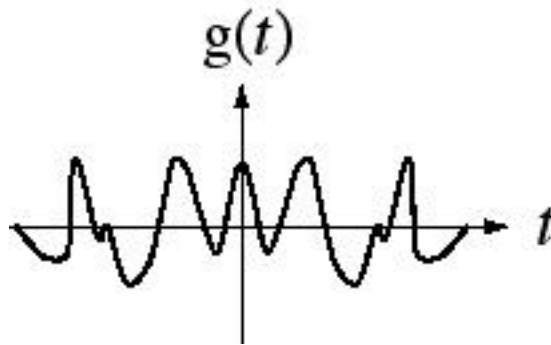
- *Random* signal
  - Signal value is random at a given time  $t$



# Even & Odd

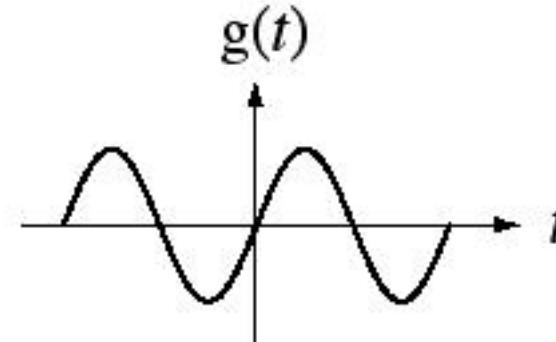
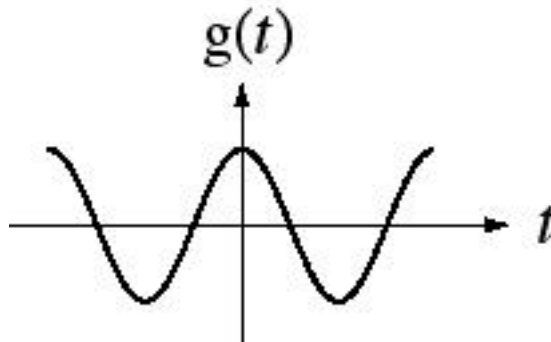
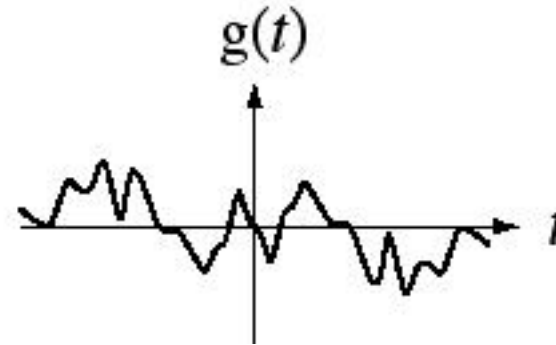
Even Signals

$$g(t) = g(-t)$$



Odd Signals

$$g(t) = -g(-t)$$



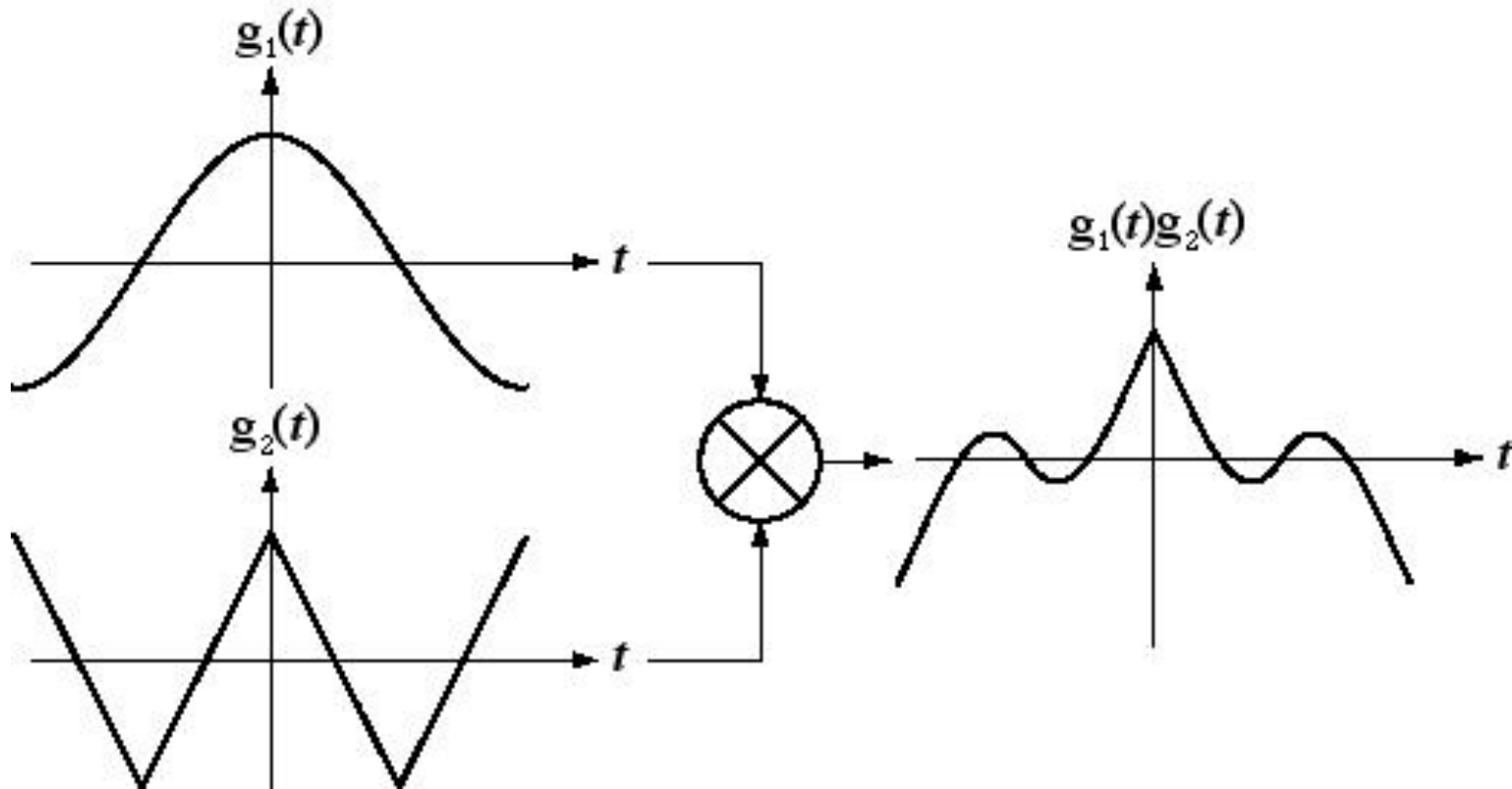
# Making of Even or Odd CT Signal

An even CT signal  $g_e(t) = \frac{g(t) + g(-t)}{2}$

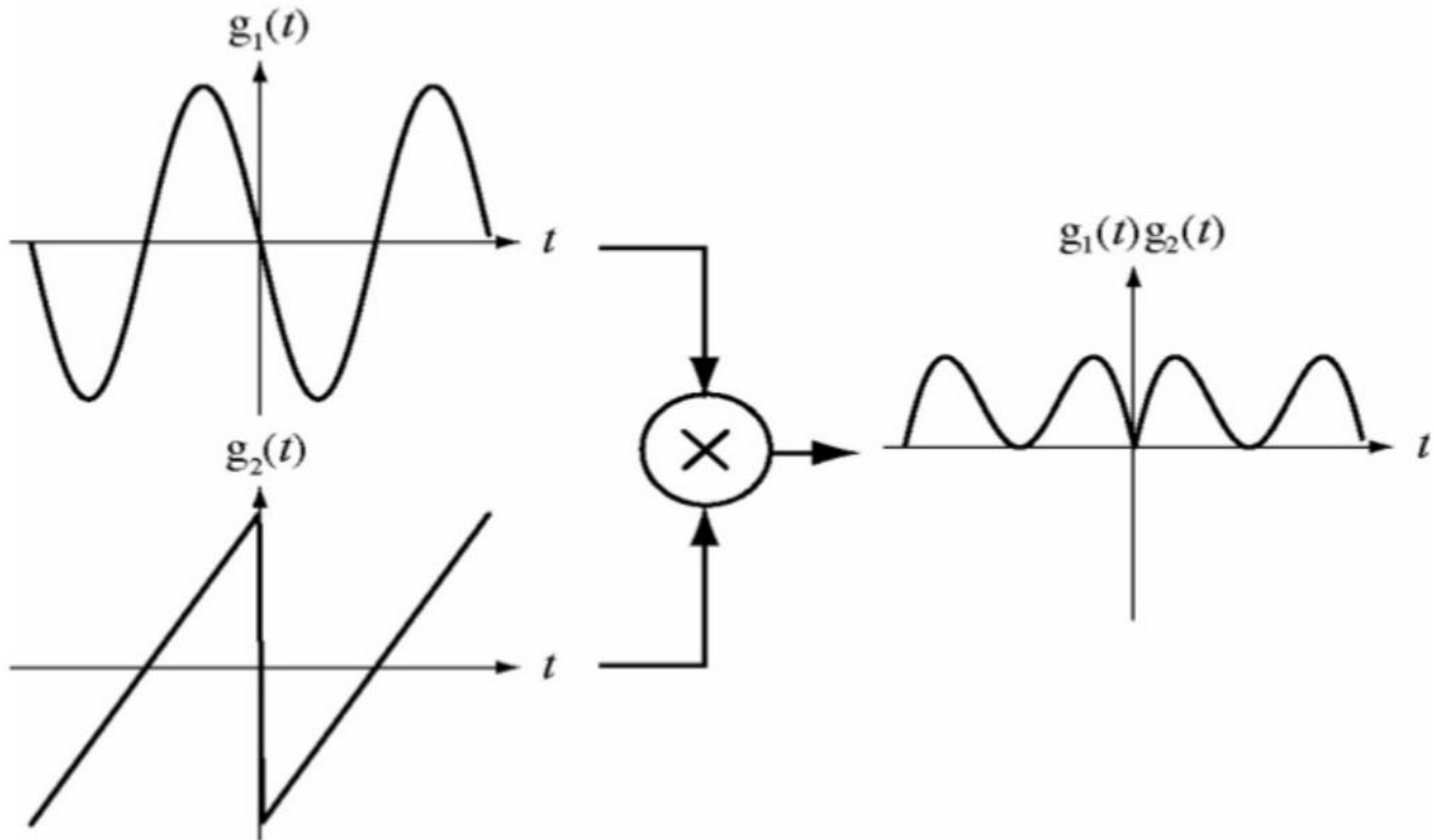
An odd CT signal  $g_o(t) = \frac{g(t) - g(-t)}{2}$

- The derivative of an odd CT signal is even
- The derivative of an even CT signal is odd
- The integral of an odd CT signal is even
- The integral of an even CT signal is an odd CT signal with a constant

# Product of Two Even CT Signals

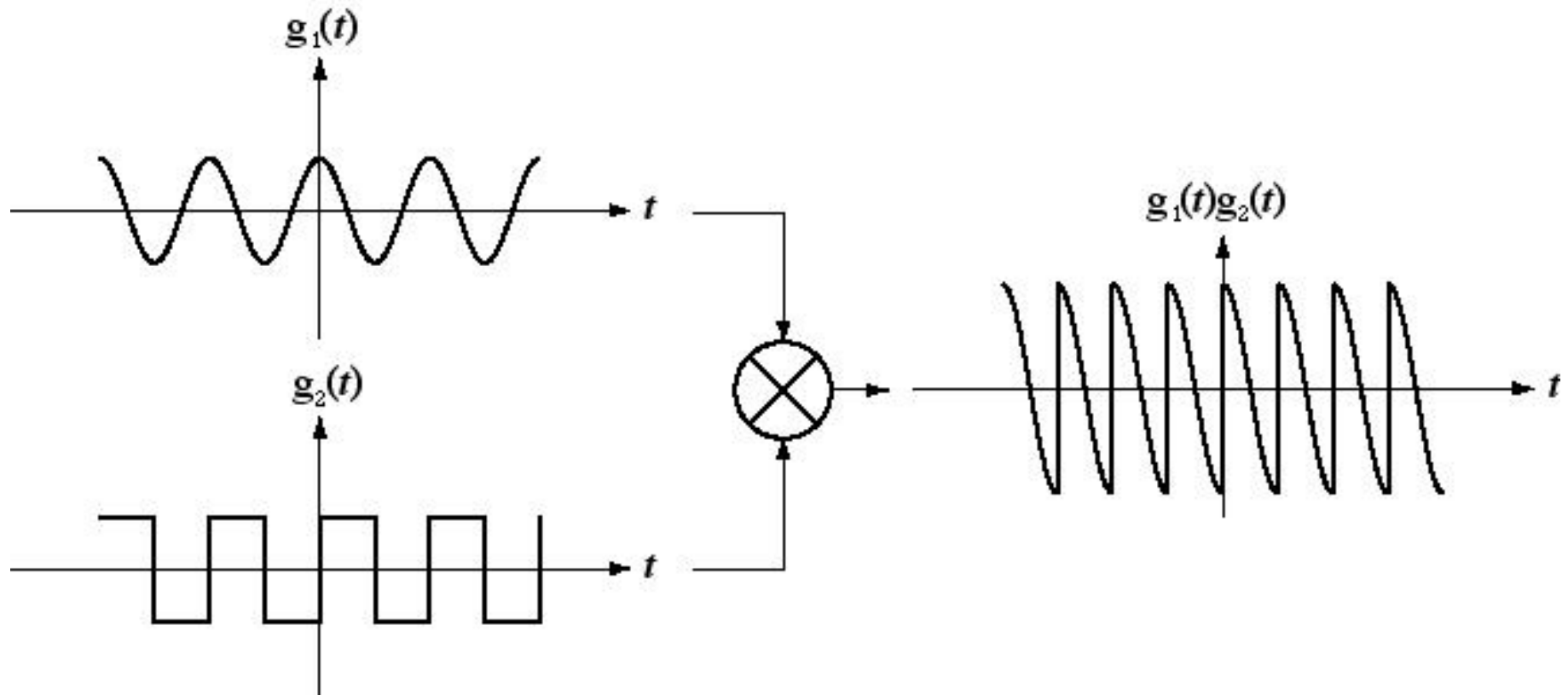


# Product of Two Odd CT Signals

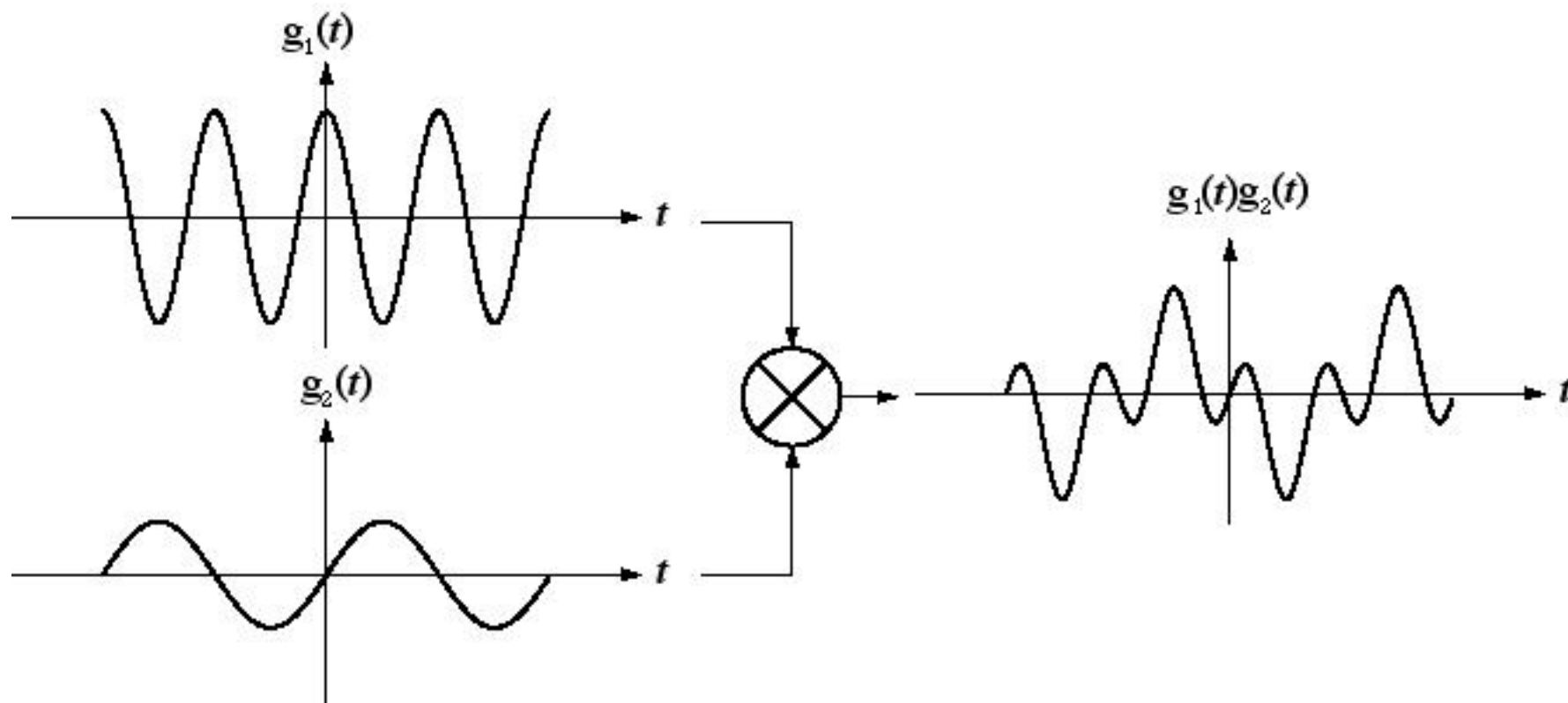




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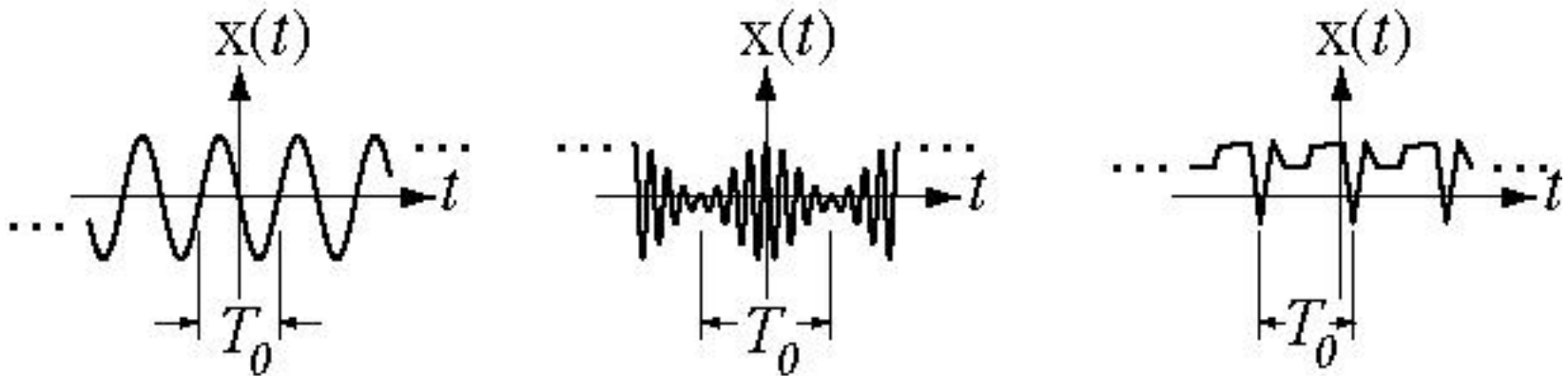


# Periodic CT Signals

If a CT signal is periodic  $g(t) = g(t + nT)$ , where  $n$  is any integer and  $T$  is a *period* of the signal.

The minimum positive value of  $T$  for which  $g(t) = g(t + T)$  is called the ***fundamental period*** of the signal,  $T_0$ .

The reciprocal of the fundamental period  $f_0 = 1 / T_0$  is the ***fundamental frequency***.

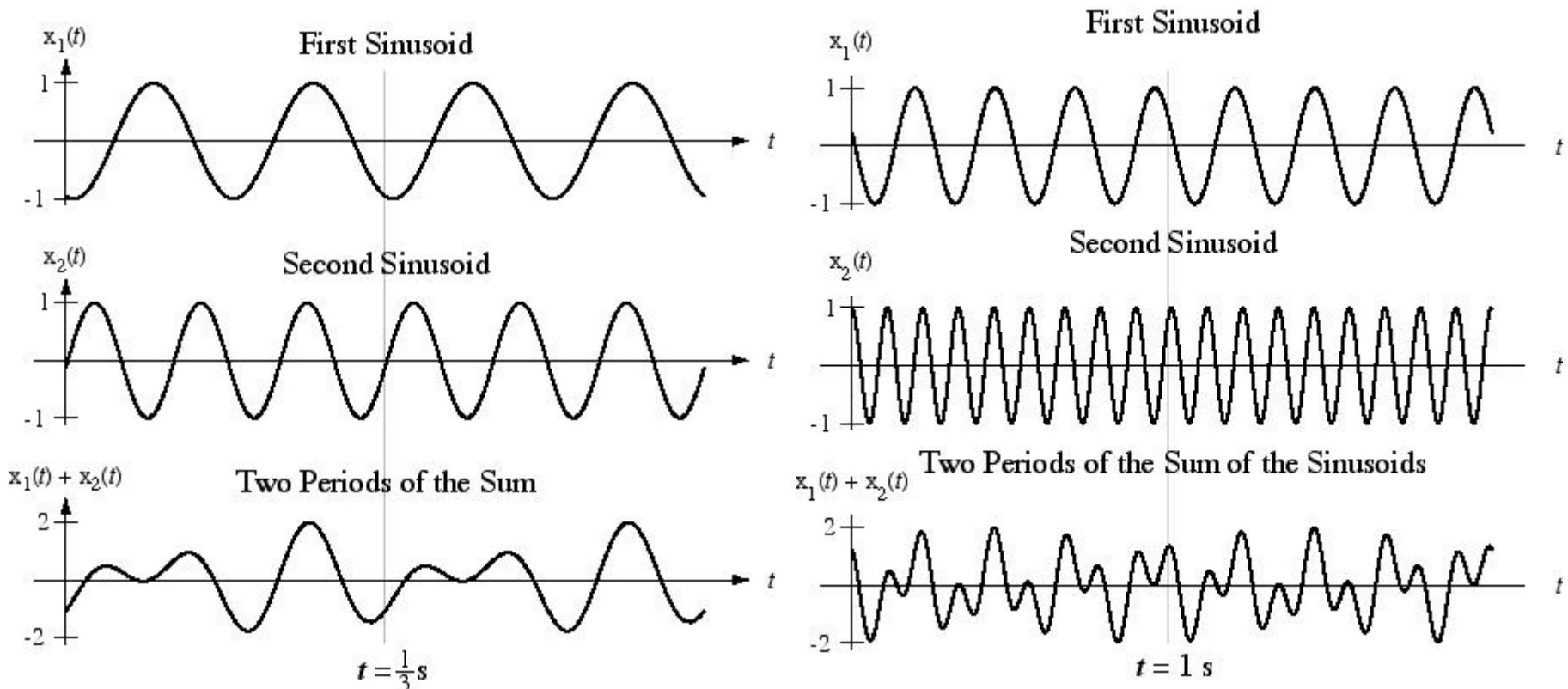


A signal that is not periodic is called *aperiodic* or *nonperiodic*.

# Sum of CT Periodic Signals

The period of the sum of CT periodic signals is the *least common multiple* of the periods of the individual signal.

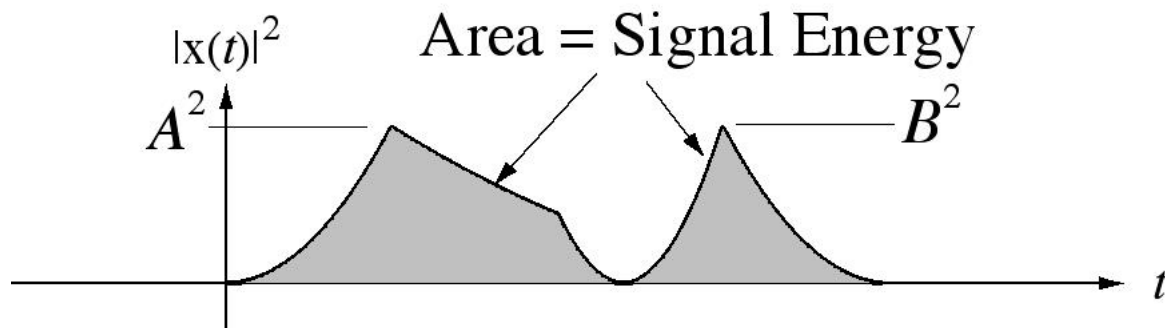
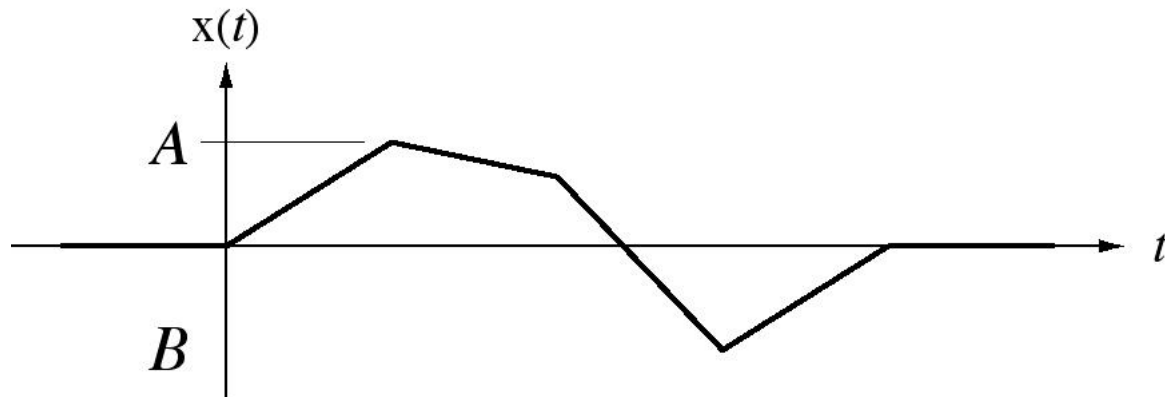
If the *least common multiple* is infinite, the summed signal is aperiodic.



# Signal Energy

The *signal energy* of a CT signal,  $x(t)$ , is

$$E_x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt$$





# Average Signal Power

Some signals have infinite signal energy. In that case, it is more convenient to use *average signal power* instead.

*average signal power* of a CT signal,  $x(t)$ , is

$$P_x = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

For a periodic CT signal,  $x(t)$ , the *average signal power* is

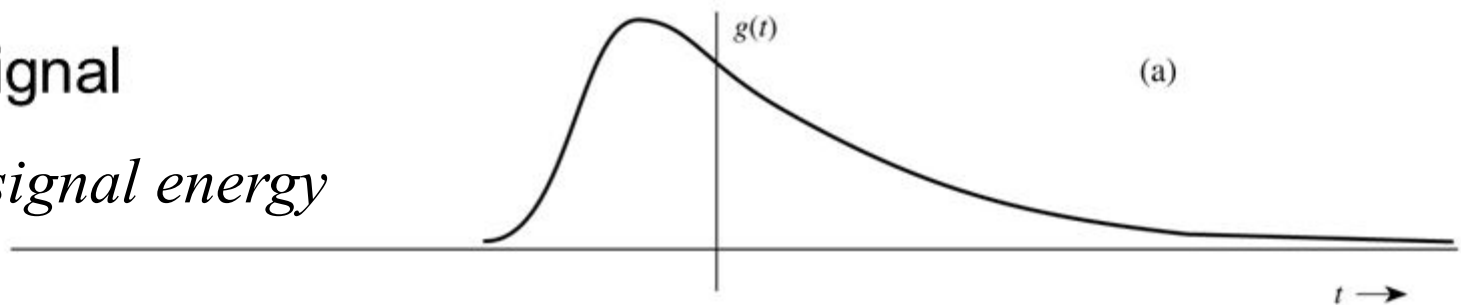
$$P_x = \frac{1}{T} \int_T |x(t)|^2 dt$$

where  $T$  is any period of the signal.

# Energy Signal and Power Signal

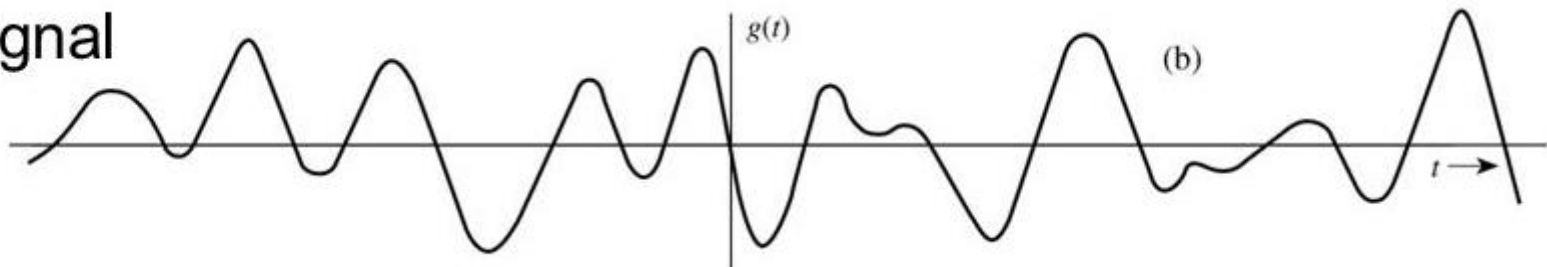
## Energy Signal

*finite signal energy*



## Power Signal

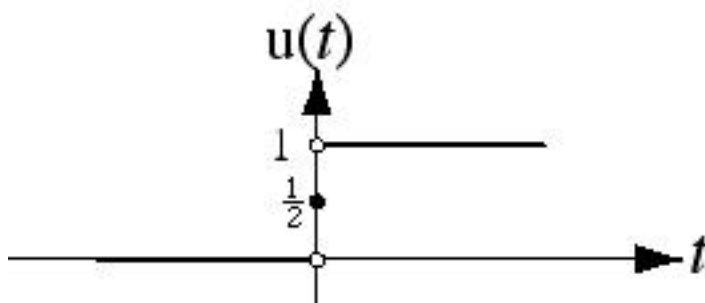
*infinite signal energy and finite average signal power*



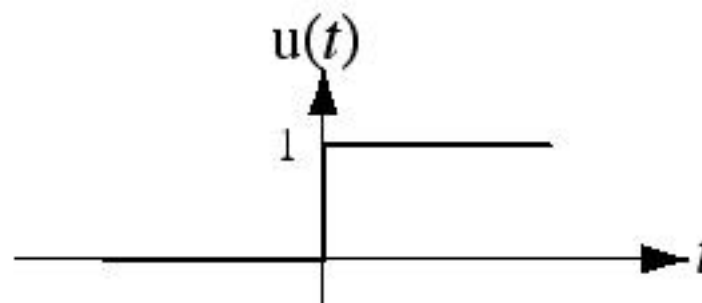
# CT Unit Step Signal

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t > 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}, & t = 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

Precise Graph



Commonly-Used Graph



The product signal of  $g(t)u(t)$  can be thought of the signal  $g(t)$  was “turned on” at time,  $t = 0$ .



# CT Unit Impulse Signal

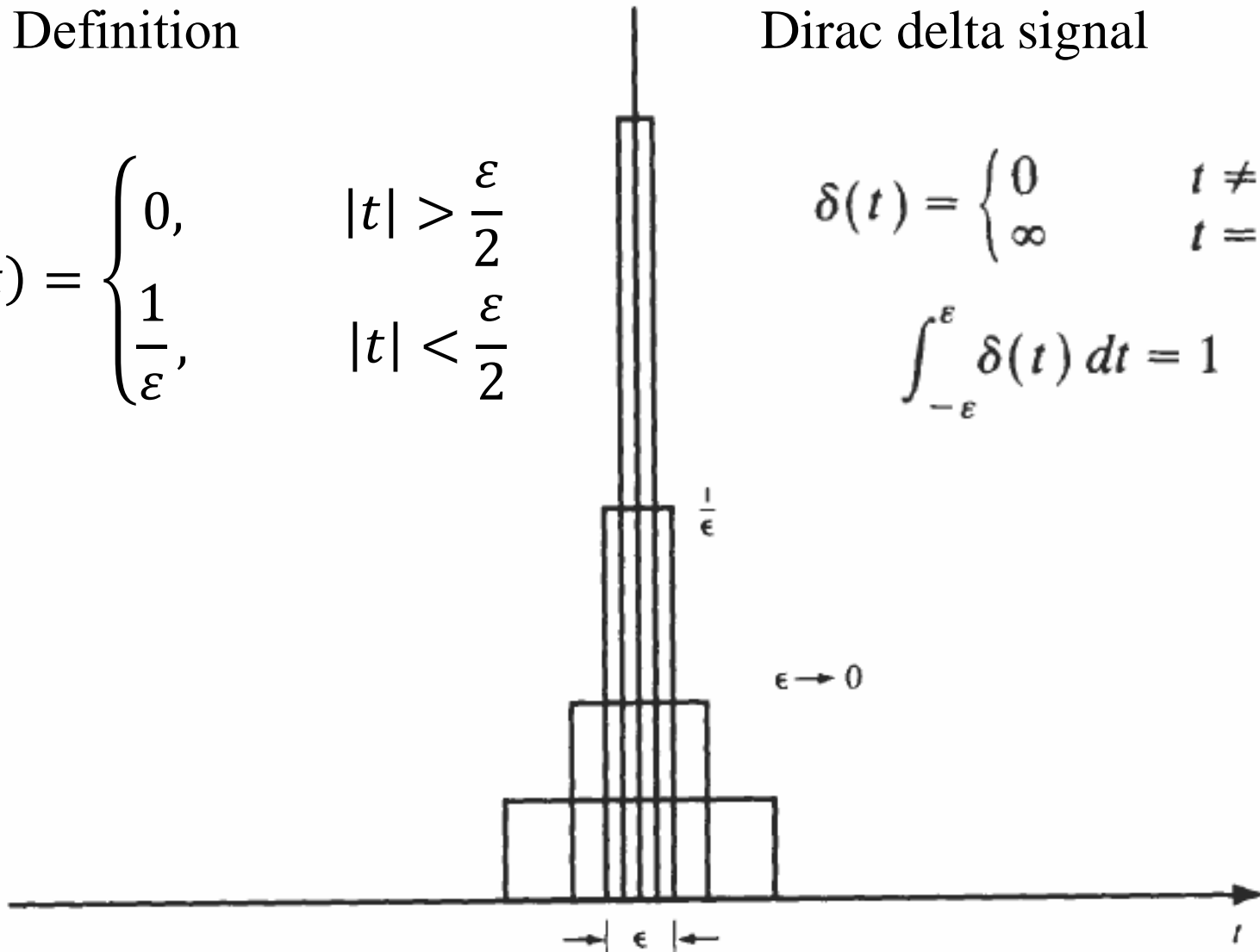
Definition

$$\delta_{\epsilon}(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & |t| > \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ \frac{1}{\epsilon}, & |t| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \end{cases}$$

Dirac delta signal

$$\delta(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t \neq 0 \\ \infty & t = 0 \end{cases}$$

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



# CT Unit Impulse Signal

Let  $g(t)$  be finite and continuous at  $t = 0$ .

The area under the product of two signals is

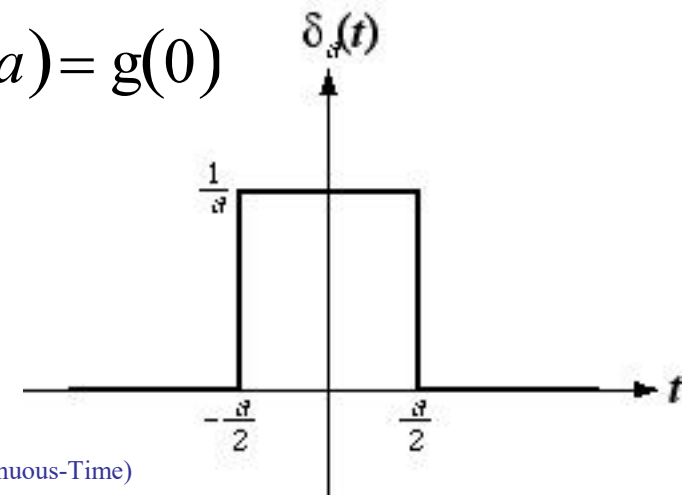
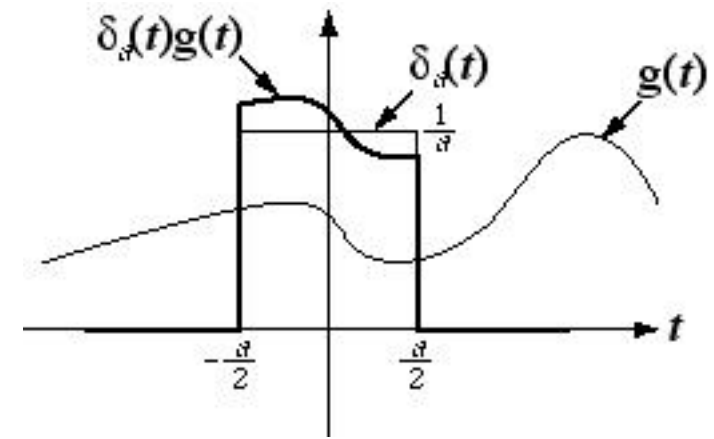
$$A = \frac{1}{a} \int_{-\frac{a}{2}}^{\frac{a}{2}} g(t) dt$$

As the width of  $\delta_a(t)$  approaches zero,

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} A = g(0) \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{a} \int_{-\frac{a}{2}}^{\frac{a}{2}} dt = g(0) \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{a} (a) = g(0)$$

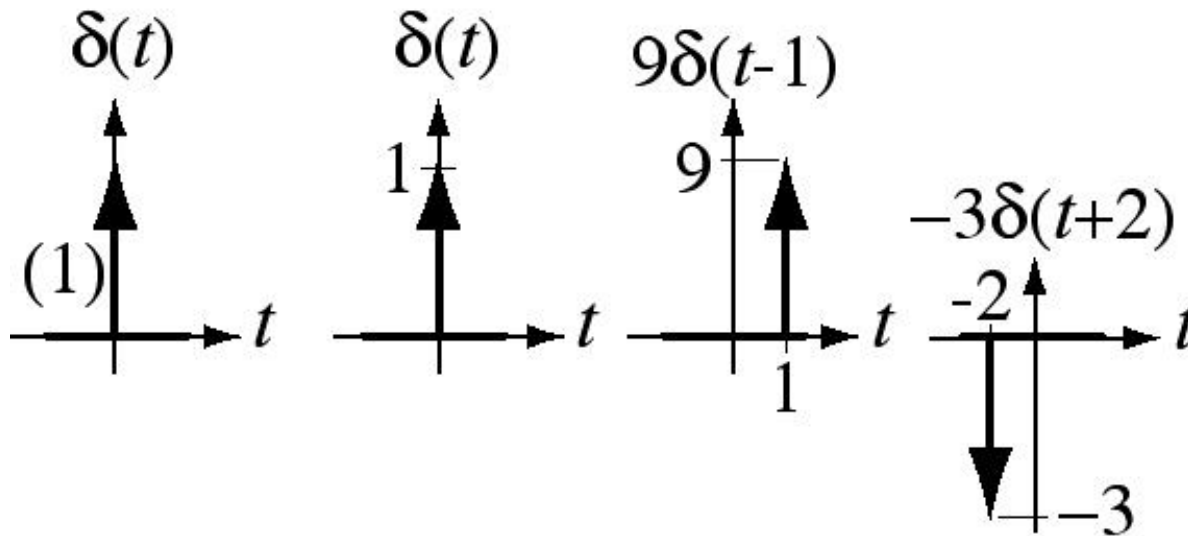
CT unit impulse is implicitly defined by

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



# Graphical Representation of CT Unit Impulse Signal

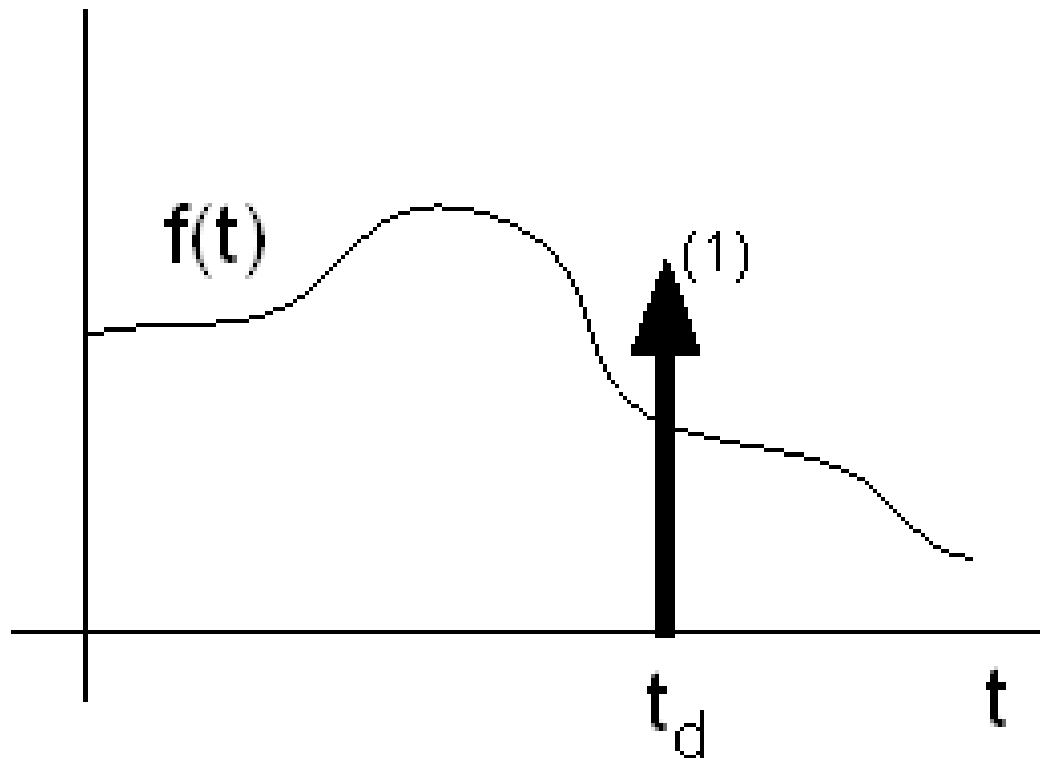
CT unit impulse signal is not a signal in the ordinary sense because its value at the time of occurrence is not defined. It is represented a vertical arrow. Its strength is either written beside it or is represented by its length.



# Sampling Property of a CT Unit Impulse Signal

CT unit impulse signal is used to sample a CT signal  
at a time  $t_d$ .

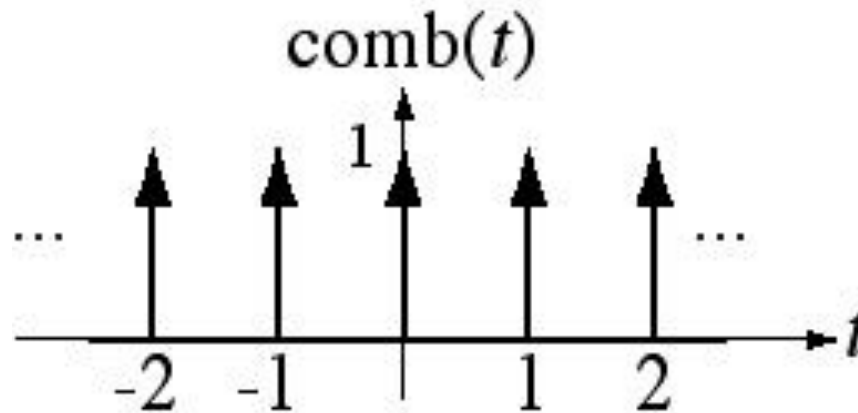
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)\delta(t - t_d)dt = f(t_d)$$



# CT Unit Comb

CT unit comb is defined by

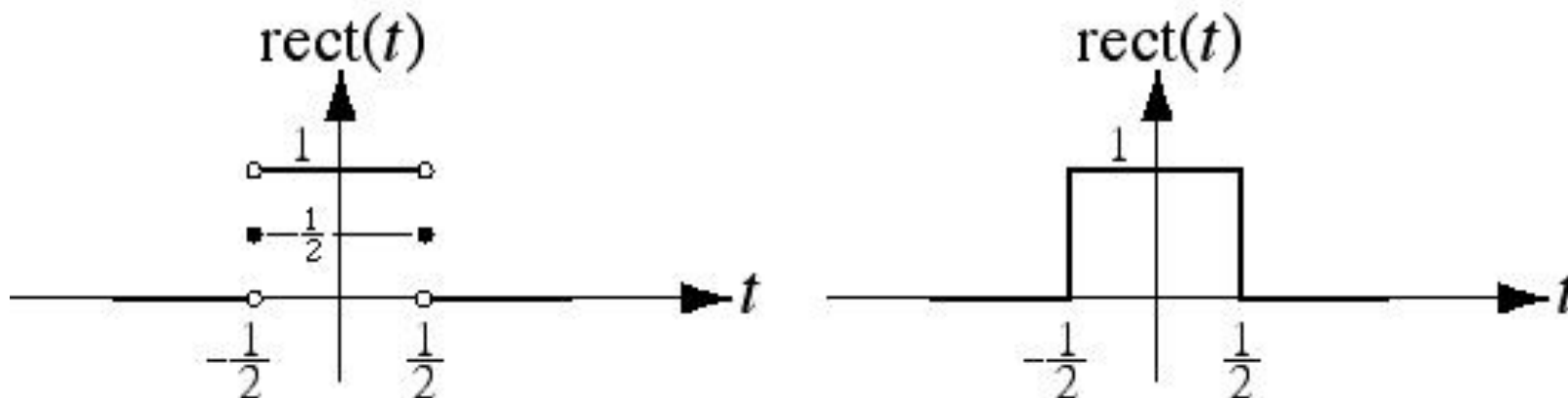
$$\text{comb}(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - n) , \quad n \text{ an integer}$$



The comb is a sum of uniformly-spaced impulses.

# CT Unit Rectangle Signal

$$\text{rect}(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & |t| < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}, & |t| = \frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & |t| > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

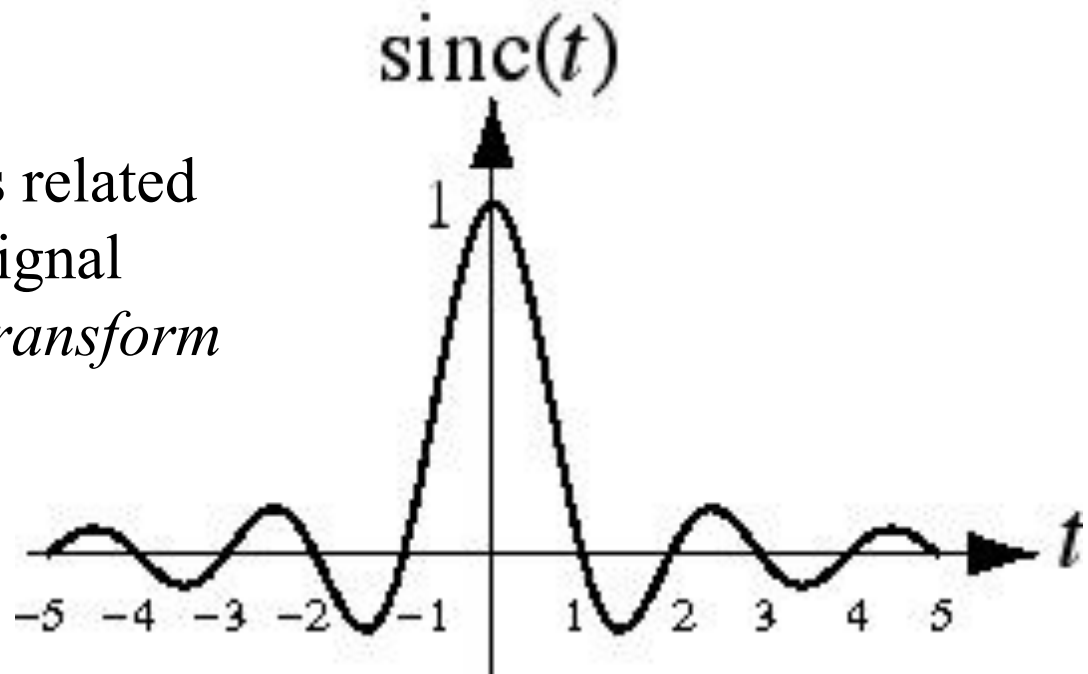


The product signal,  $g(t)\text{rect}(t)$ , can be thought of as the signal,  $g(t)$ , “turned on” at time  $t = -1/2$  and “turned off” at time  $t = 1/2$ .

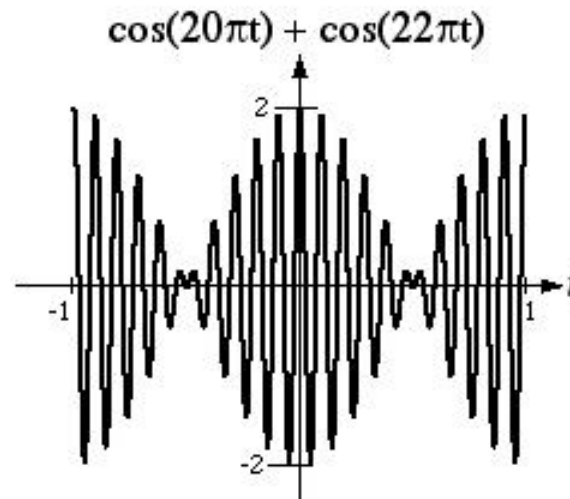
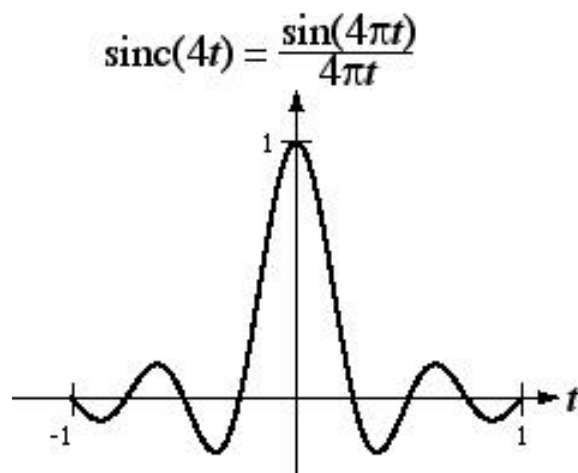
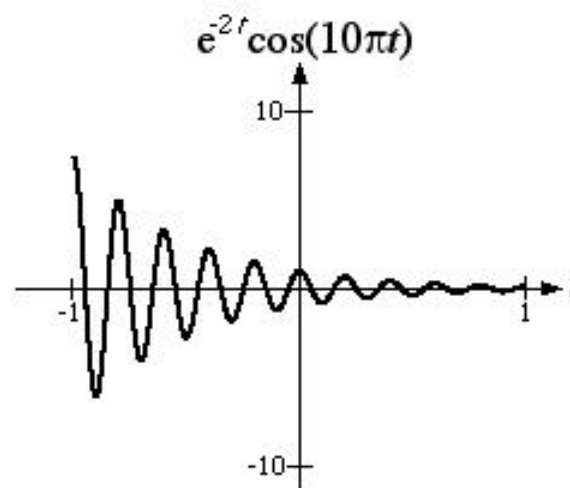
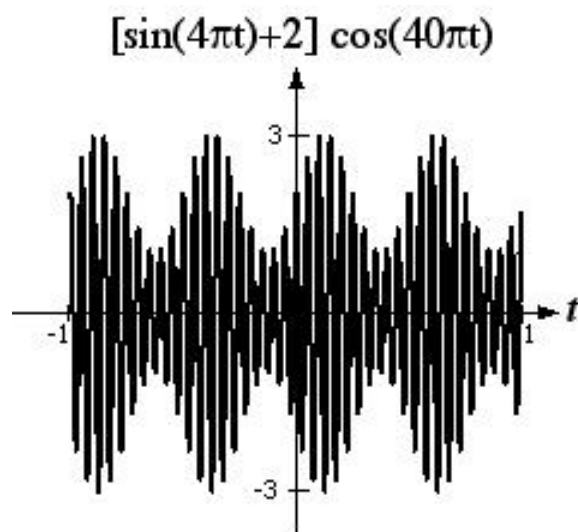
# CT Unit *sinc* Signal

$$\text{sinc}(t) = \frac{\sin(\pi t)}{\pi t}$$

The unit *sinc* signal is related to the unit rectangle signal through the *Fourier transform*



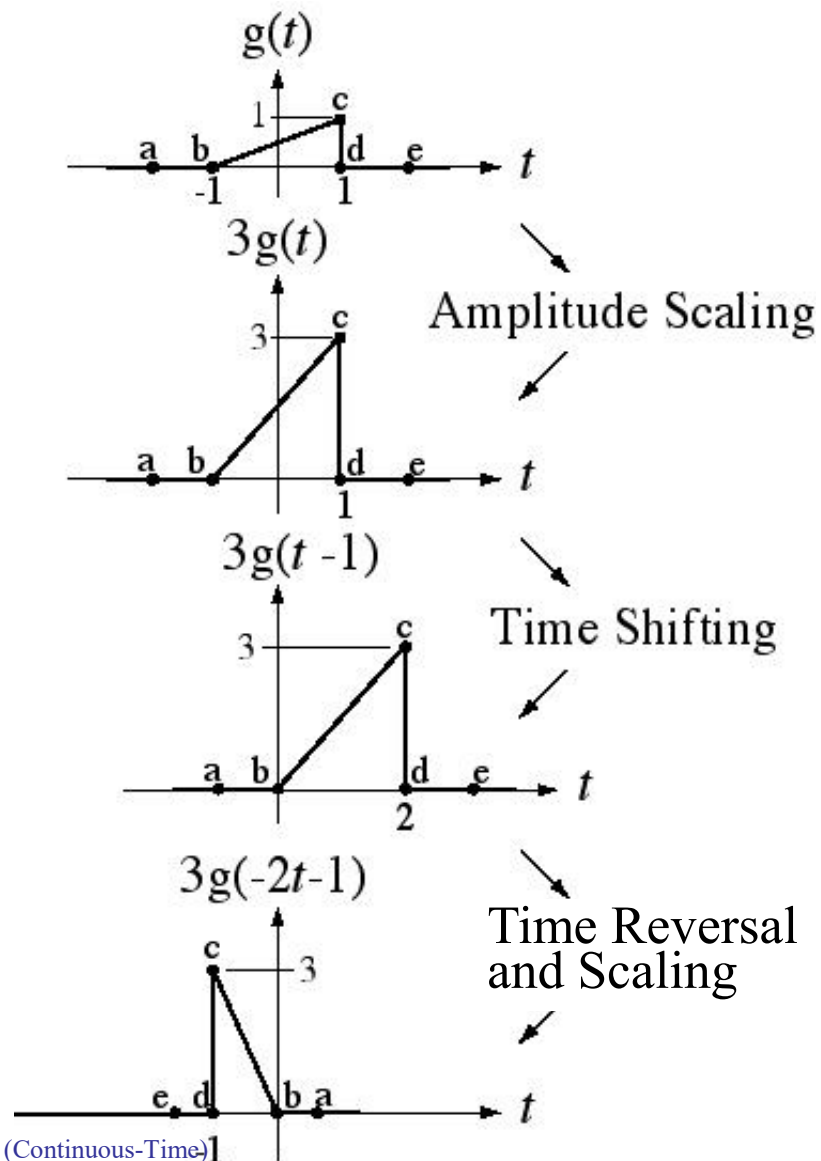
# Combinations of CT Signals





# Operations of CT Signals

- Time reversal  $y(t) = g(-t)$
- Time shifting  $y(t) = g(t - t_d)$
- Time scaling  $y(t) = g(at)$
- Amplitude scaling  $y(t) = Bg(t)$
- Addition  $y(t) = g_1(t) + g_2(t)$
- Multiplication  $y(t) = g_1(t) \cdot g_2(t)$



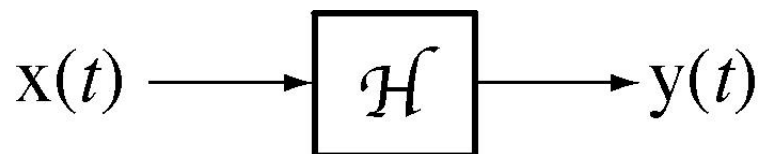


# Remarks on Signals

- A signal is a **function** of some **variables**
- **Variable**
  - Continuous time  $t$  or discrete integer  $n$
- **Function** (Signal value)
  - Deterministic or Random
  - Continuous or Discrete
  - Periodic or Non-periodic
  - Real or Complex
  - Even or Odd
- Analog vs Digital

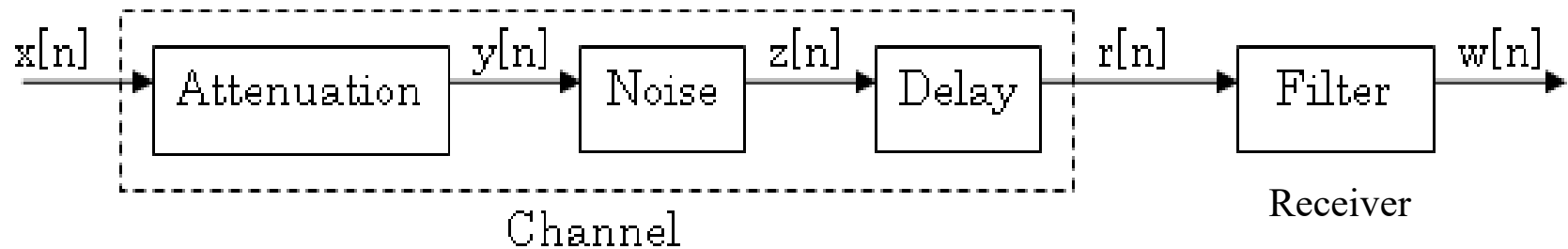
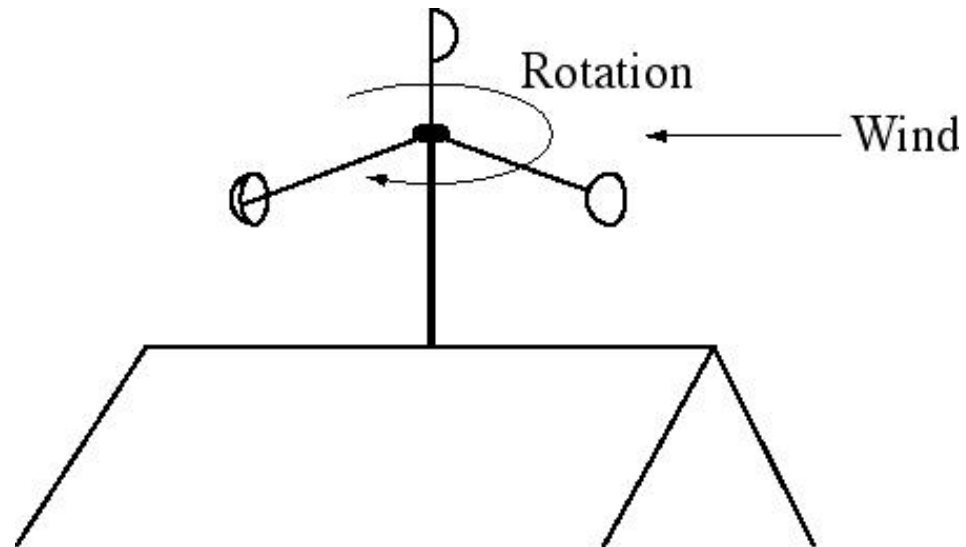
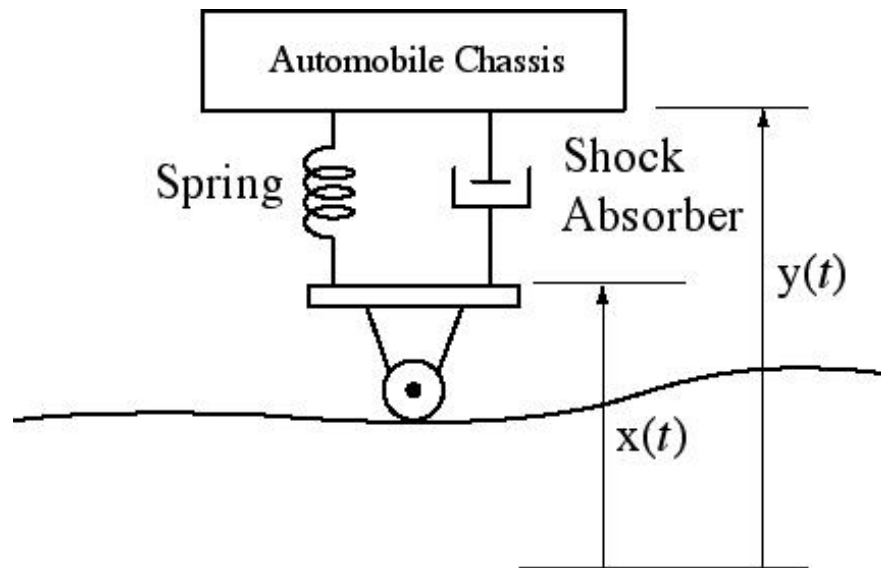
# System

- A system has inputs and outputs
- A system accepts excitation signals at its inputs and produces response signals at its outputs
- A system is often represented by *block diagrams*

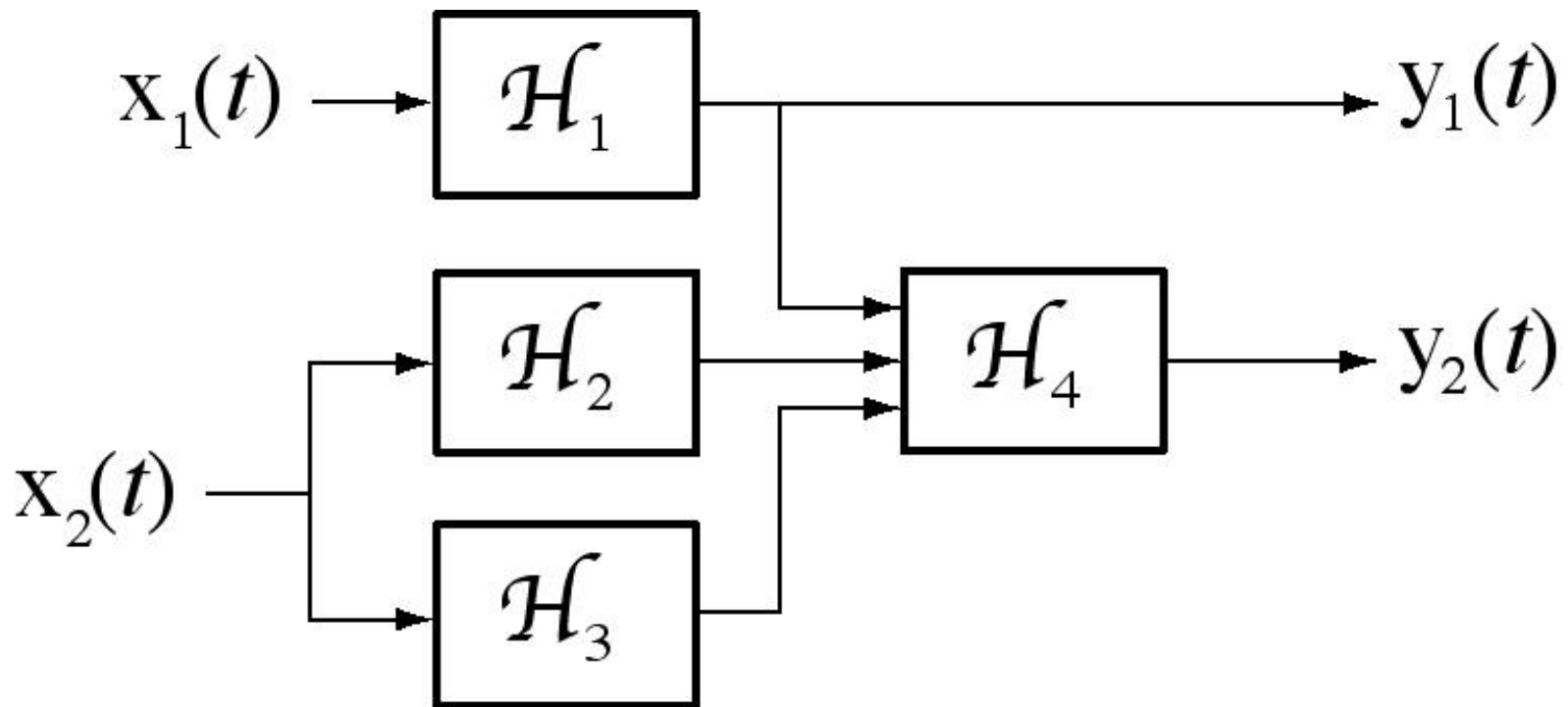


A single-input, single-output system block diagram

# System Examples



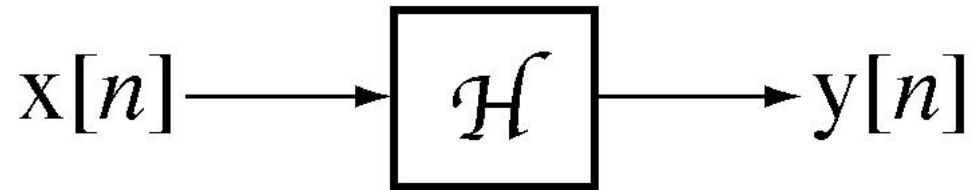
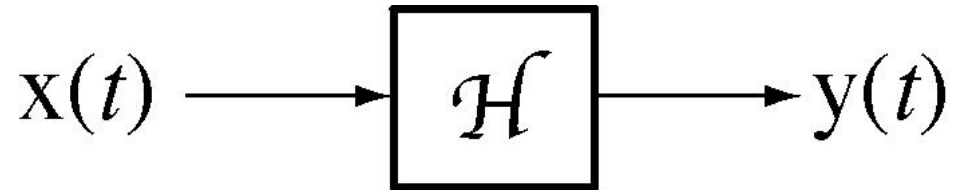
# A Multiple-Input, Multiple-Output System Block Diagram





# CT and DT Systems

CT systems respond to and produce CT signals

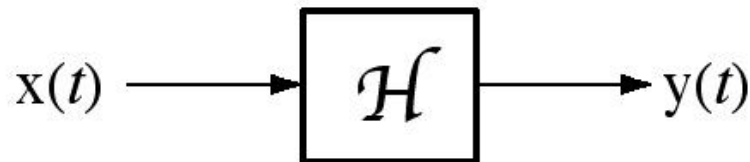


DT systems respond to and produce DT signals

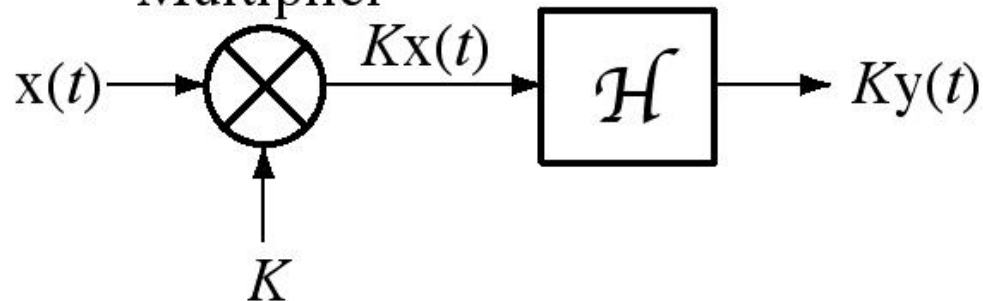
# Homogeneity

- In a *homogeneous* system, multiplying the input by any constant (including *complex* constants), the response is multiplied by the same constant.

Homogeneous System

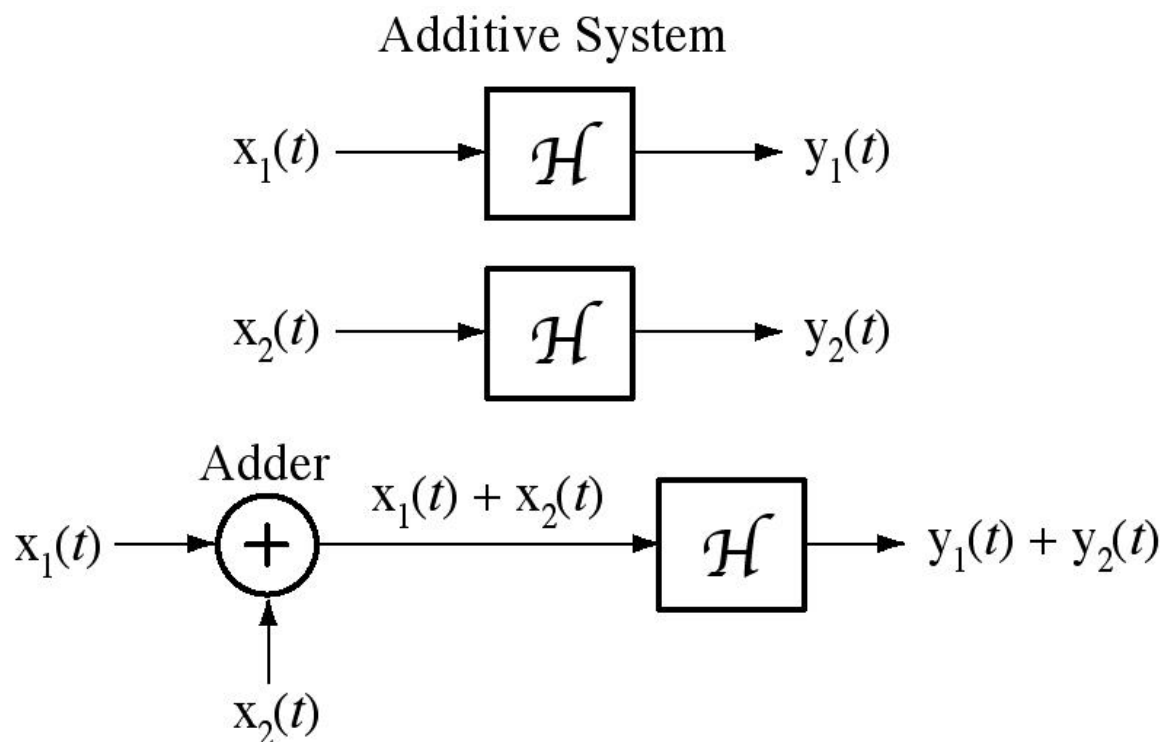


Multiplier



# Additivity

- If one input causes a response and another input causes another response and if, for any arbitrary inputs, the sum of the two inputs causes a response which is the sum of the two responses, the system is said to be *additive*

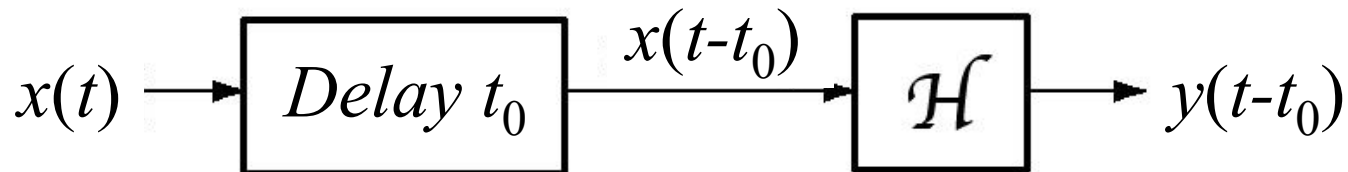




# Time Invariance

- If an excitation causes a response and delaying the excitation simply delays the response by the same amount of time, regardless of the amount of delay, then the system is *time invariant*

Time Invariant System



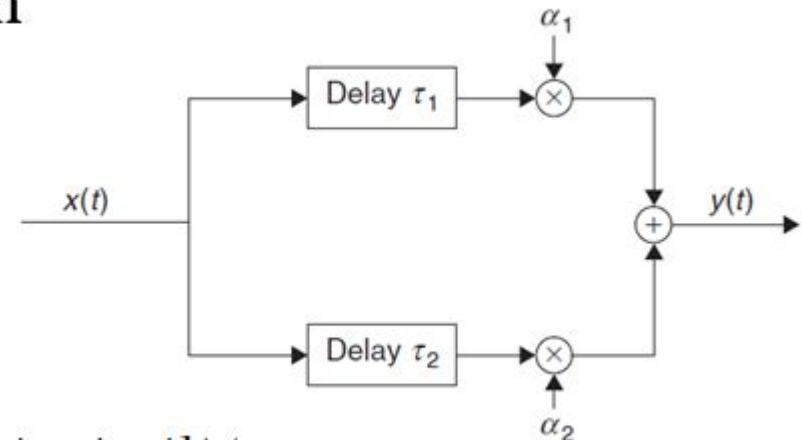


# Linearity and LTI Systems

- If a system is both homogeneous and additive, it is *linear*.
- If a system is both linear and time-invariant, it is called a *Linear and Time-Invariant (LTI)* system.
- Some non-linear systems can be approximated by linear systems in the case of small excitations for analytical purposes.

# Stability

- Any system for which the response is bounded for any arbitrary bounded excitation, is called a *bounded-input-bounded-output* (BIBO) stable system.
- Example: Multi-echo path system



$$|y(t)| \leq |\alpha_1||x(t - \tau_1)| + |\alpha_2||x(t - \tau_2)| < [|\alpha_1| + |\alpha_2|]M$$



# Causality

- Any system for which the response occurs only during or after the time in which the excitation is applied is called a *causal* system.
- Strictly speaking, all real physical systems are causal.



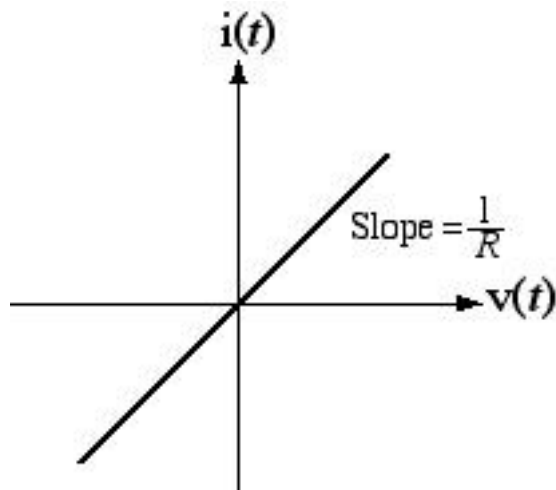
# Memory

- If a system's response at any arbitrary time depends only on the excitation at that same time and not on the excitation or response at any other time is called a *static* system and is said to have no *memory*.
- A system whose response at some arbitrary time does depend on the excitation or response at another time is called a *dynamic* system and is said to have *memory*.

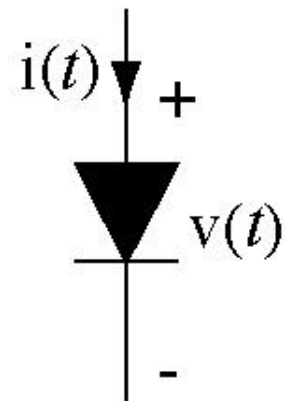
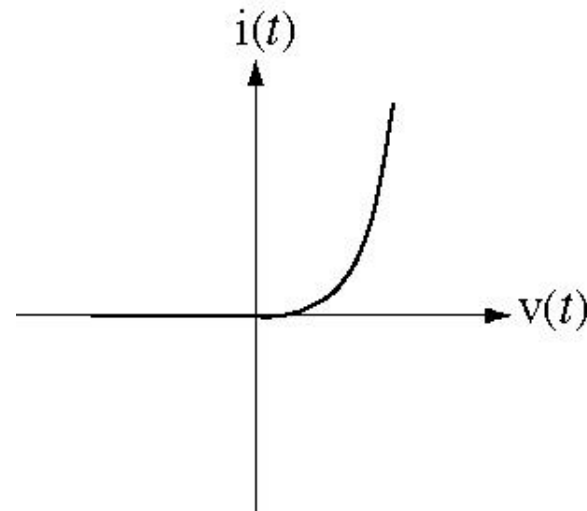
# Static Non-Linearity

- Many real systems are non-linear because the relationship between excitation and response is non-linear.

V-I Diagram for a Linear Resistor



V-I Diagram for a Diode





# System Representation

1. A system is represented as an “*abstract*” operator  $\mathbf{T}\{\mathbf{x}\}$ 
  - Examples: Amplifier, Noisy channel, etc.
  
2. A system is represented in a *general manner*
  - Impulse response
  - Convolution
  - Time-domain



# Our Purpose



- Given an *arbitrary input*, how to compute the output?
- We will describe/model the input-output relationship for LTI Systems
  - General model
  - Not just amplifier, noisy channel



# Convolution Integral - 1



- In a LTI system
  - $\delta(t) \rightarrow h(t)$
  - $h(t) = \mathbf{T}[\delta(t)]$
  - Unit impulse input  $\rightarrow$  the impulse response
- It is possible to use  $h(t)$  to solve for any input-output relationship



- One way to do it is by using the Convolution Integral

# Convolution Integral - 2

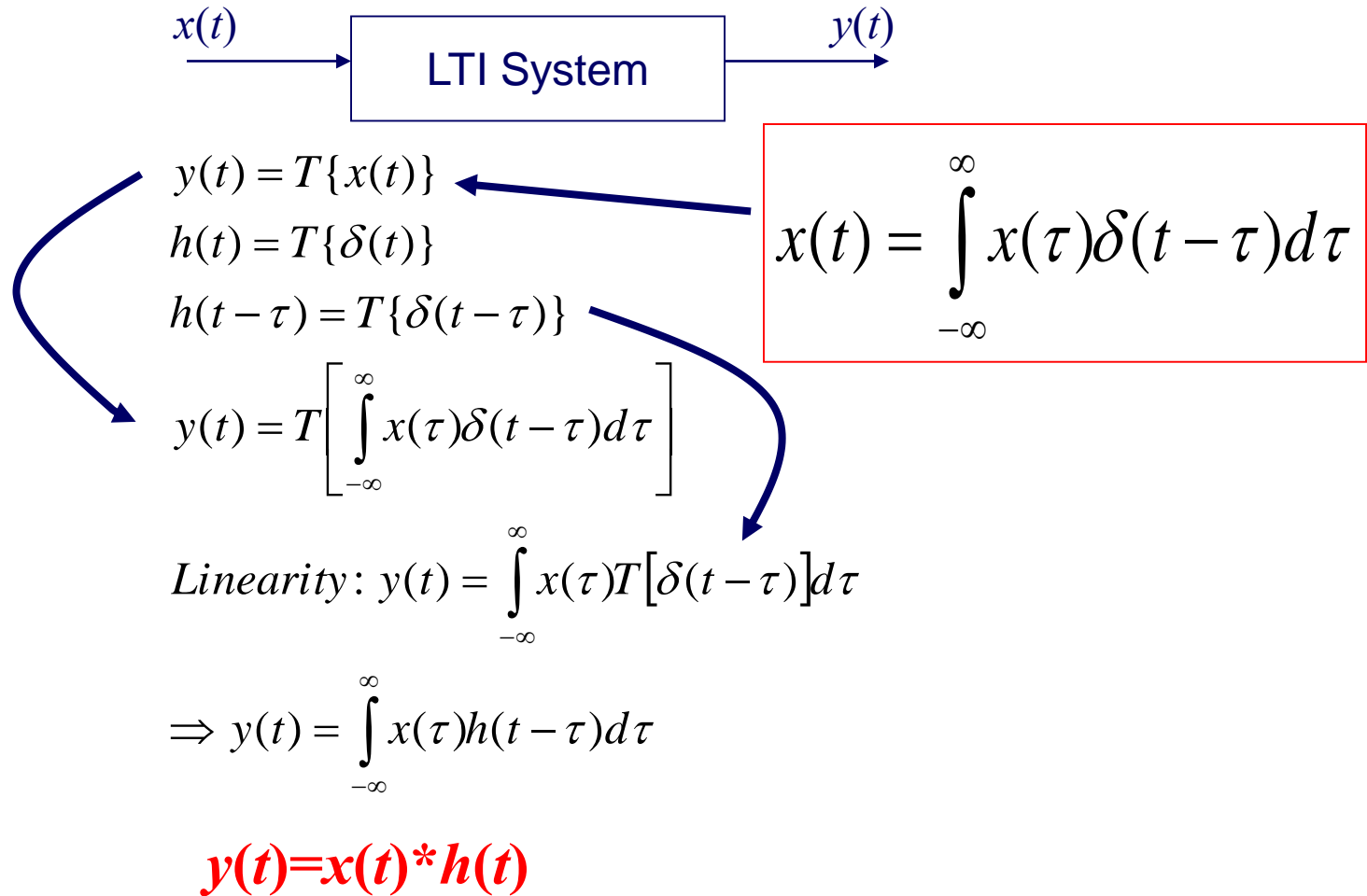
- Remember



- Any input can be expressed using the unit impulse signal

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

# Convolution Integral - 3



**Do not confuse convolution with multiplication!**



# Convolution Integral - 4

A system can be characterized using its impulse response



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

Key point: the system output at  $t$  is in response to all past and present values of the input signal, not just at time  $t$

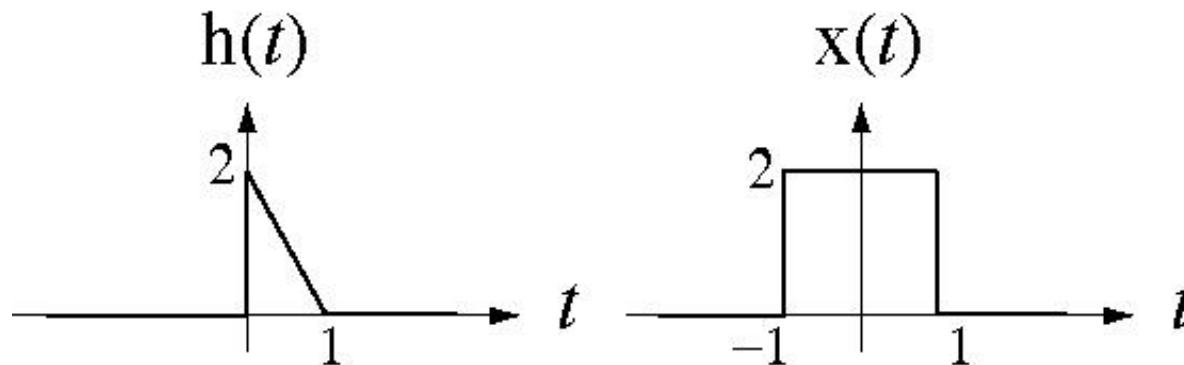


# A Graphical Illustration of the Convolution Integral - 1

The convolution integral is defined by

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

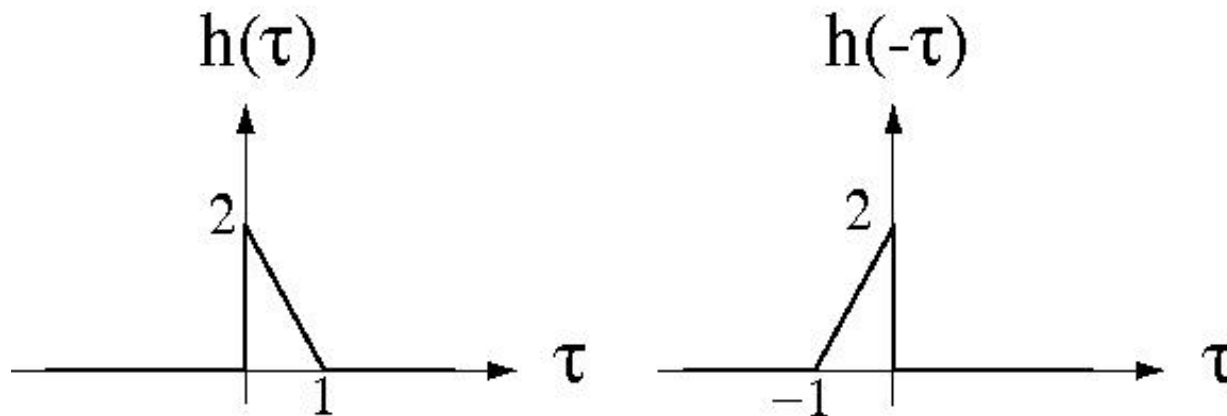
For illustration purpose, let the input,  $x(t)$ , and the impulse response,  $h(t)$ , be the two signals below.



# A Graphical Illustration of the Convolution Integral - 2

In the convolution integral there is a factor,  $h(t - \tau)$

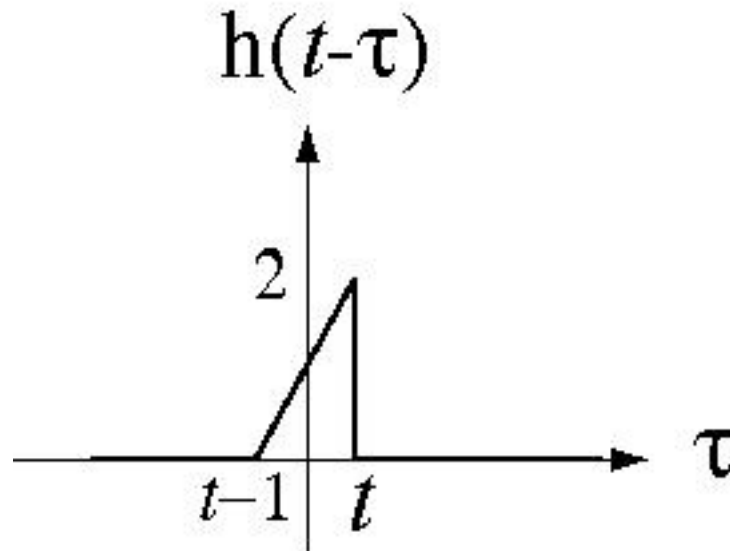
We can begin to visualize this quantity in the graphs below.



# A Graphical Illustration of the Convolution Integral - 3

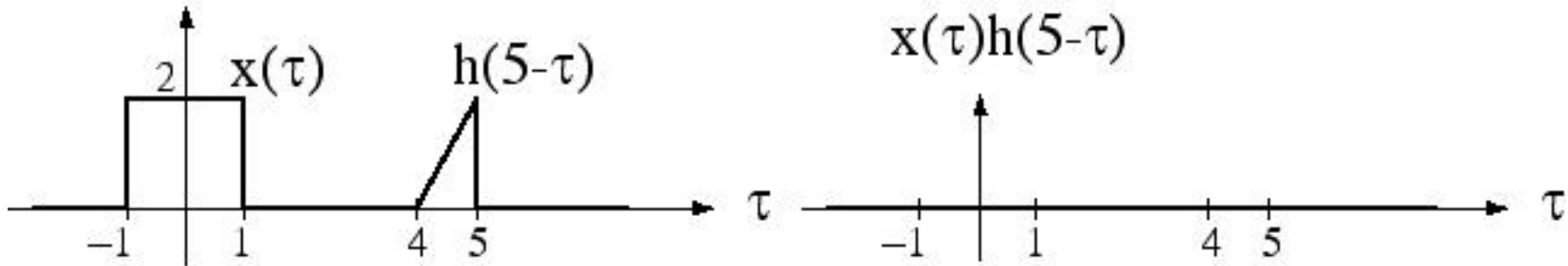
The functional transformation in going from  $h(\tau)$  to  $h(t - \tau)$  is

$$h(\tau) \xrightarrow{\tau \rightarrow -\tau} h(-\tau) \xrightarrow{\tau \rightarrow \tau - t} h(-(\tau - t)) = h(t - \tau)$$



# A Graphical Illustration of the Convolution Integral - 4

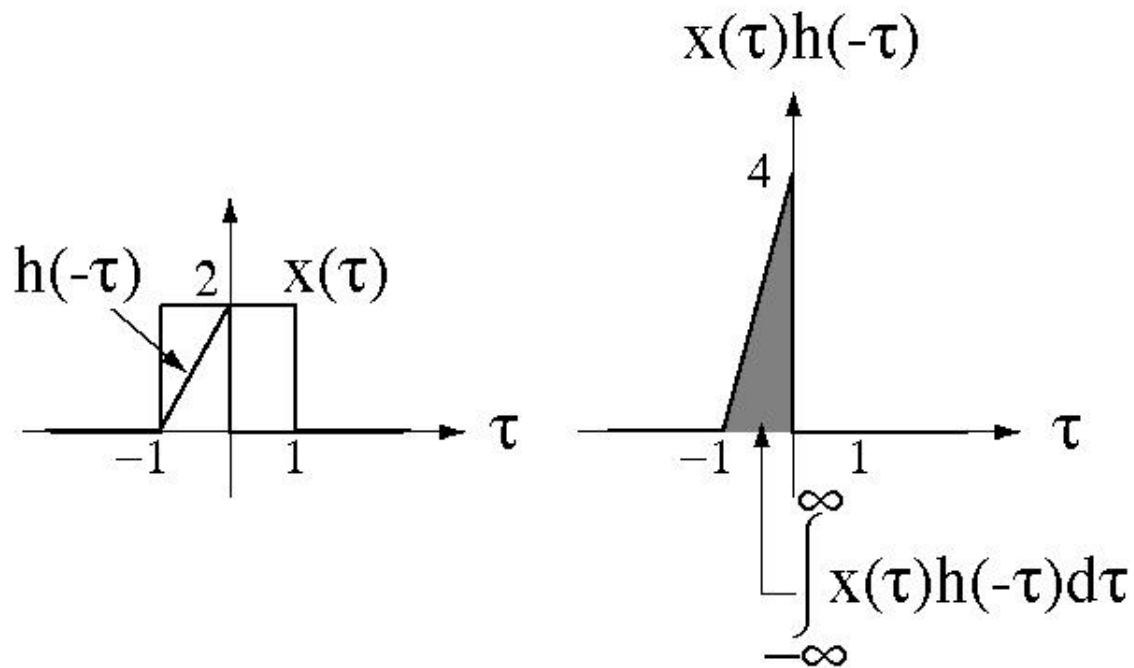
- The convolution value is the area under the product of  $x(t)$  and  $h(t - \tau)$ . This area depends on what  $t$  is.
- For example, let  $t = 5$ , the area under the product is zero.
- If  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$   
then  $y(5) = 0$ .





# A Graphical Illustration of the Convolution Integral - 5

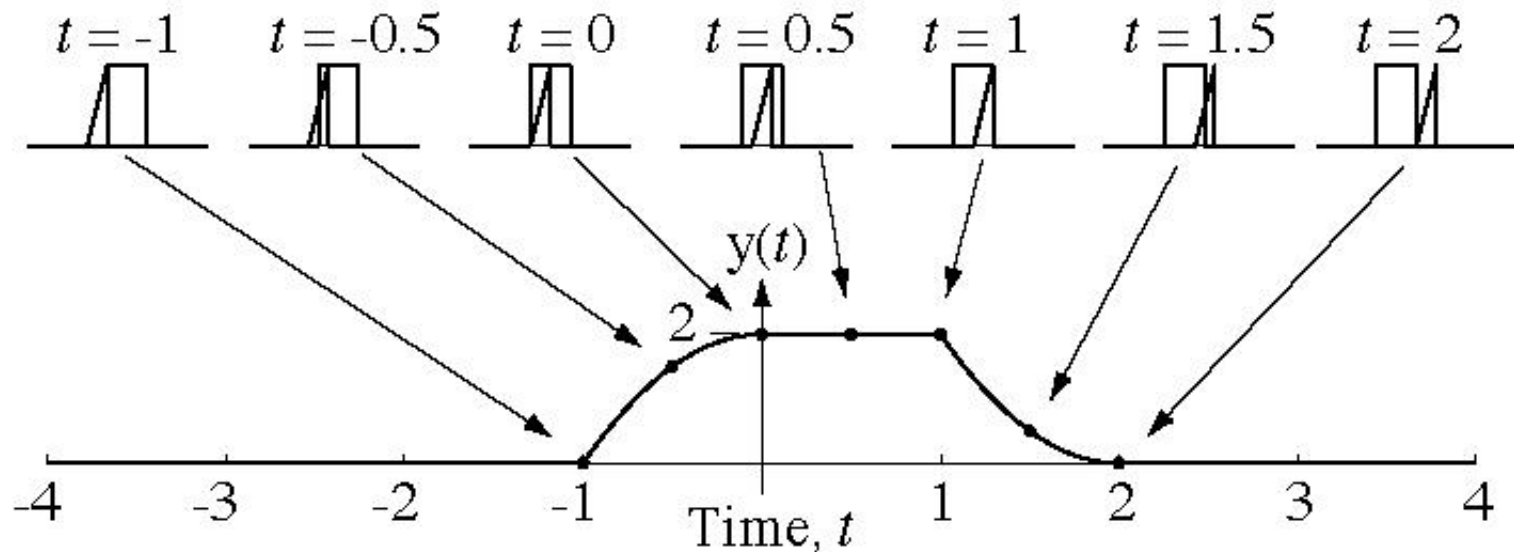
Now let  $t = 0$ .



Therefore  $y(0) = 2$ , the area under the product.

# A Graphical Illustration of the Convolution Integral - 6

The process of convolving to find  $y(t)$  is illustrated below.



# Convolution Integral Properties - 1

Commutativity (可換性)

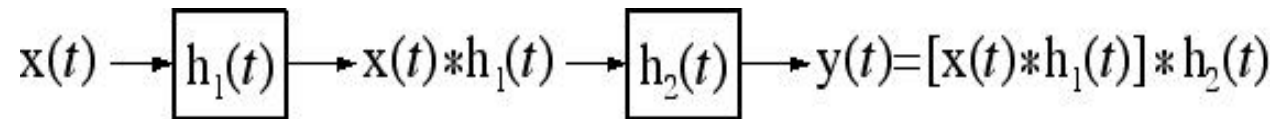
$$x(t) * y(t) = y(t) * x(t)$$



# Convolution Integral Properties - 2

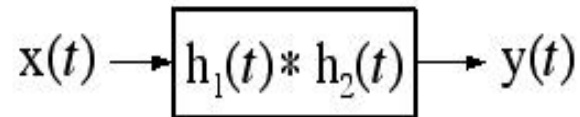
Associativity (結合性)

$$[x(t) * y(t)] * z(t) = x(t) * [y(t) * z(t)]$$



Cascade  
Connection

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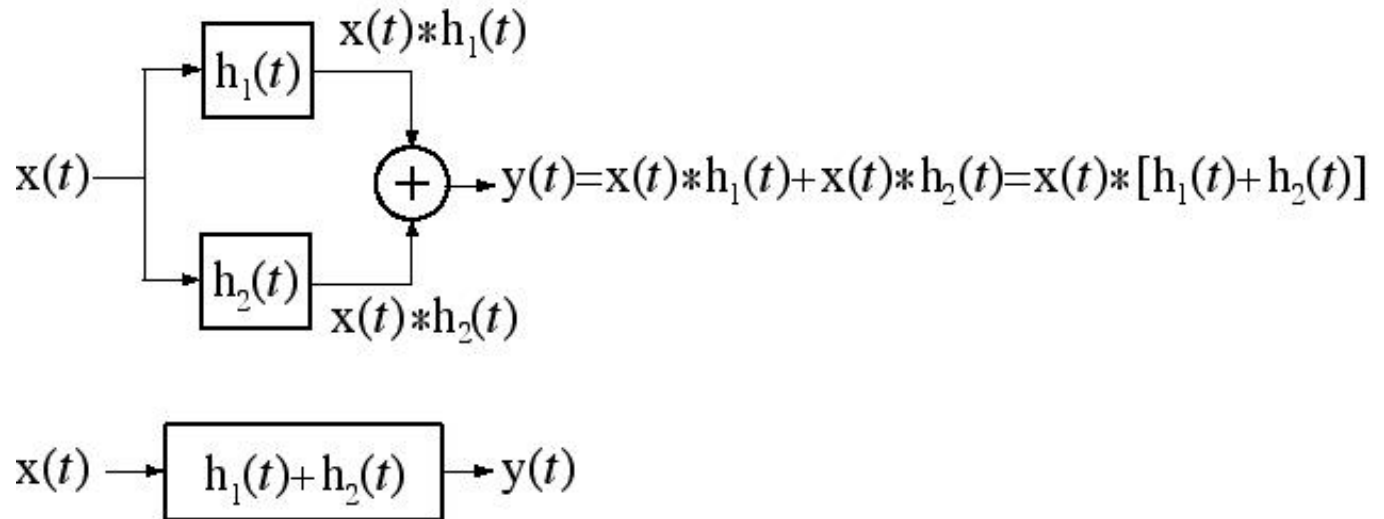


# Convolution Integral Properties - 3

Distributivity (分配性)

$$[x(t) + y(t)] * z(t) = x(t) * z(t) + y(t) * z(t)$$

Parallel  
Connection





# Stability and Impulse Response

A CT system is BIBO stable if its impulse response is absolutely integrable.

That is if  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt$  is finite.

For example, is this a stable system?

$$h(t) = e^{-3t} u(t)$$

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt < \infty$$

$$\rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |e^{-3t}| u(t) dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-3t} dt = 1/3$$

# Unit Impulse Response and Unit Step Response

In a CT LTI system, let an input  $x(t)$ , the corresponding output  $y(t)$ .

Then the input  $\frac{d}{dt}(x(t))$

will produce the response  $\frac{d}{dt}(y(t))$

For unit step response  $s(t) = \mathbf{T}\{u(t)\}$

Then the unit impulse response is the first derivative of the unit step response

$$h(t) = \frac{ds(t)}{dt}$$



# Remarks on Systems

- A system is represented in a *general manner*
  - Impulse response
  - Convolution
- Graphical illustration of the convolution integral
- Properties of convolution integral
- This Chapter: CT system
- Next Chapter: DT system