

1. [14!] Here are input-output relationships for a few systems, all of which are linear. Some of them are time-invariant, some are not. Determine which are which. Find the impulse response of the time-invariant systems.

$$(a) y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \left[ \int_{-\infty}^s x(\tau - 5) d\tau \right] ds,$$

$$(b) y(t) = \int_{-3}^3 \tau^2 x(t - \tau) d\tau + \int_{-\infty}^{t+1} (t - \tau + 3)^{-2} x(\tau) d\tau.$$

Hint: Note that if you can transform the above relationships into the exact form of convolution  $y(t) = g(t) * x(t)$ , then the system is immediately time-invariant with  $g(t)$  being the impulse response  $h(t)$ . That is because different from algebraic operators like multiplication, the convolution operator implies time-invariance itself.

$$(a) y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \left[ \int_{-\infty}^s x(\tau - 5) d\tau \right] ds$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } y_1(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^t \left[ \int_{-\infty}^s x(\tau - 5) d\tau \right] ds = \int_{-\infty}^t \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{s-d} x(\tau - 5) d\tau \right] ds \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{t-d} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^s x(\tau - 5) d\tau \right] ds = y(t-d) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  this system is **time-invariant**

Then substituting  $x(t)$  with  $\delta(t)$ , we can get its impulse response:

$$h_1(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \left[ \int_{-\infty}^s \delta(\tau - 5) d\tau \right] ds = (t-5) u(t-5)$$

$$(b) y(t) = \int_{-3}^3 \tau^2 x(t - \tau) d\tau + \int_{-\infty}^{t+1} (t - \tau + 3)^{-2} x(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \tau^2 \text{rect}\left(\frac{\tau}{6}\right) \right) x(t - \tau) d\tau + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{(t - \tau + 3)^2} u(t + 1 - \tau) \right) x(\tau) d\tau$$

$\Rightarrow$  this system is **time-invariant**

The impulse response is given by  $h(t) = t^2 \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{6}\right) + \frac{1}{(t+3)^2} u(t+1)$

2. [16!] Often we will be convolving two signals that are zero everywhere except over some finite range (called **finite support** signals). Suppose  $x_1(t)$  is non-zero over the range  $a \leq t \leq b$  and that  $x_2(t)$  is non-zero over the range  $c \leq t \leq d$ . Suppose  $y(t) = x_1(t) * x_2(t)$ .

(a) Find the range of values of  $t$  for which  $y(t)$  is possibly non-zero.

(b) Compute  $\text{rect}((t-2)/2) * \text{rect}((t+3)/4)$  (express answer with braces and carefully sketch). Check your result with part (a).

(a)

$$x_1(t-\tau) \neq 0 \text{ if } \tau \in (t-a, t-b)$$

$$x_2(\tau) \neq 0 \text{ if } \tau \in (c, d)$$

$$\int x_1(t-\tau) x_2(\tau) d\tau \neq 0 \text{ if } t \in (a+c, b+d)$$

$\Rightarrow t \in (a+c, b+d)$  is the range of values of  $t$  for which  $y(t)$  is possibly non-zero

(b) We now know that  $a=1, b=3, c=-5, d=-1$

$$\Rightarrow a+c = -4, b+d = 2$$

$$\textcircled{1} t-1 > -5 \text{ \& } t-3 < -5 \Rightarrow t \in (-4, -2)$$

$$y(t) = \int_{-5}^{t-1} dt = t+4$$

$$\textcircled{2} t-3 > -5 \text{ \& } t-1 < -1 \Rightarrow t \in (-2, 0)$$

$$y(t) = \int_{t-3}^{t-1} dt = 2$$

$$\textcircled{3} t-3 < -1 \text{ \& } t-1 > -1 \Rightarrow t \in (0, 2)$$

$$y(t) = \int_{t-3}^{-1} dt = 2-t$$

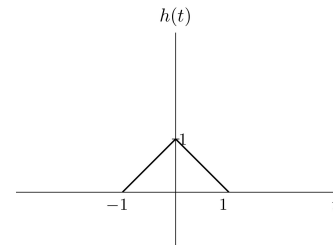
$$\textcircled{4} \text{ otherwise, } y(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \begin{cases} t+4 & t \in (-4, -2) \\ 2 & t \in (-2, 0) \\ 2-t & t \in (0, 2) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

3. [18!]

(a) Consider a linear system with input  $x(t)$  and output  $y(t)$  given by

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \delta(t - nT).$$



Is this system time-invariant?

(b) Consider another LTI system. Let its impulse response  $h(t)$  be the triangular pulse shown below, and  $x(t)$  be the **impulse train**

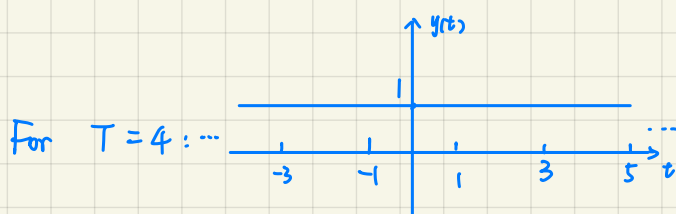
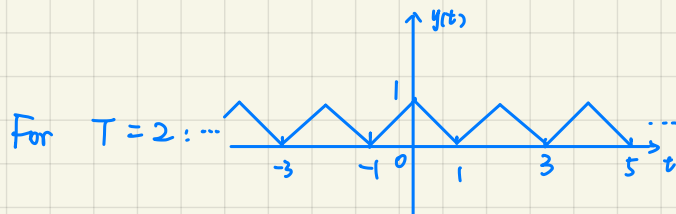
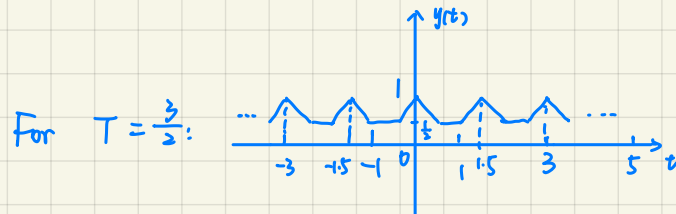
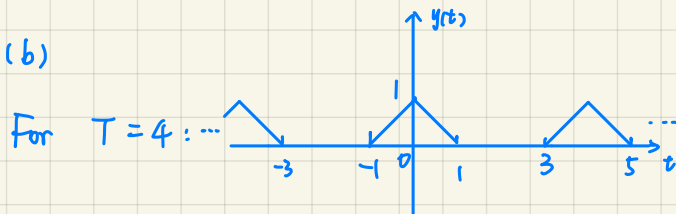
$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT),$$

SKETCH  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$  for  $T = 4, 2, 1.5$  and  $1$ . (No formulae are needed though you still want to label your graphs clearly.)

(a)

If we let  $x(t) = \cos t$  and  $x_d(t) = \cos(t-1)$ , then we can find that it's **not time-invariant**

(b)



4. [12!] Find the impulse response of the following LTI systems and further determine whether they are causal, stable and static.

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

(b)  $y(t) = \int_{t-1}^{t+1} e^{-2(t-\tau)} x(\tau) d\tau$

(a)

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

$$\Rightarrow h(t) = t \cdot e^{-t} u(t)$$

Since  $h(t) = 0$  for  $t < 0 \Rightarrow$  **causal**

since  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt = \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-t} dt = 1 \Rightarrow$  **stable**

since  $h(t) \neq 0$  for  $t > 0 \Rightarrow$  **dynamic**

(b)

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{rect}\left(\frac{t-\tau}{2}\right) e^{-2(t-\tau)} x(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\Rightarrow h(t) = \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) \cdot e^{-2t}$$

since  $h(t) \neq 0$  for  $t < 0 \Rightarrow$  **non-causal**

since  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt = \frac{e^2 - \frac{1}{e^2}}{2} \Rightarrow$  **stable**

since  $h(t) \neq 0$  for  $t > 0 \Rightarrow$  **dynamic**

5. [16!] Consider an LTI system  $S$  and a signal  $x(t) = 2e^{-3t}u(t-1)$ . If

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

and

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} \rightarrow -3y(t) + e^{-2t}u(t)$$

determine the impulse response  $h(t)$  of  $S$ .

$$x(t) = 2e^{-3t}u(t-1) \Rightarrow \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = -6e^{-3t}u(t-1) + 2e^{-3t}\delta(t-1)$$

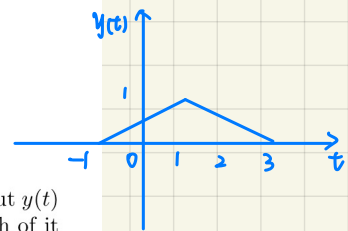
$$\text{Therefore we know: } 2e^{-3t}\delta(t-1) \rightarrow e^{-2t}u(t) \Rightarrow \delta(t) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}e^{-2t+1}u(t+1)$$

$$\text{and it follows } h(t) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2t+1}u(t+1)$$

6. [12!] We are given a certain LTI system with impulse response  $h_0(t)$ . We are told that when the input is  $x_0(t)$  the output is  $y_0(t)$ , which is sketched below. We are then given the following set of inputs to LTI systems with the indicated impulse responses.

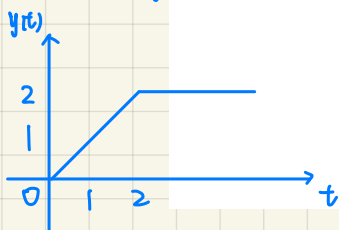
	Input $x(t)$	Impulse response $h(t)$
(a)	$x(t) = 2x_0(t)$	$h(t) = h_0(t)$
(b)	$x(t) = x_0(t) - x_0(t-2)$	$h(t) = h_0(t+1)$
(c)	$x(t) = x_0(-t)$	$h(t) = h_0(t)$
(d)	$x(t) = x_0(-t)$	$h(t) = h_0(-t)$
(e)	$x(t) = x'_0(t)$	$h(t) = h_0(t)$
(f)	$x(t) = x'_0(t)$	$h(t) = h'_0(t)$

$$(b) y(t) = y_0(t+1) - y_0(t-1)$$

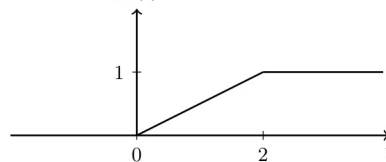


In each of these cases, determine whether or not we have enough information to determine the output  $y(t)$  when the input is  $x(t)$  and the system has impulse response  $h(t)$ . If so, provide an accurate sketch of it with numerical values clearly indicated on the graph.

$$(a) y(t) = 2y_0(t)$$

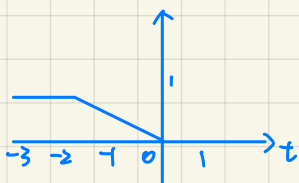


$y_0(t)$

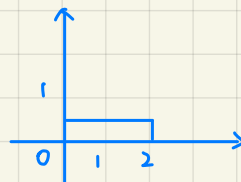


(c)  $y(t)$  can't be determined

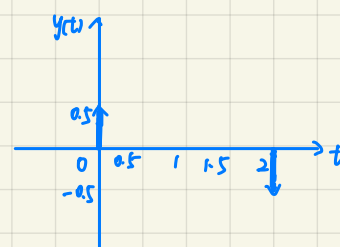
$$(d) y(t) = y_0(-t)$$



$$(e) y(t) = y'_0(t)$$



$$(f) y(t) = y''_0(t)$$



7. [12!] Suppose you have a "black box" LTI system and you discover that for a unit-step input signal the response of the system is the function  $(3-t)\text{rect}(\frac{t-1}{2})$ . Determine the impulse response of the system. (Hint: See Optional Problem 2.)

$$h(t) = \frac{d s(t)}{dt} \Rightarrow h(t) = 3\delta(t) - \delta(t-2) - \text{rect}(\frac{t-1}{2})$$