

Discrete - Time Signals and Systems

Continuous-Time signals & systems
Impulse Response

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Simple Real Continuous-Time System

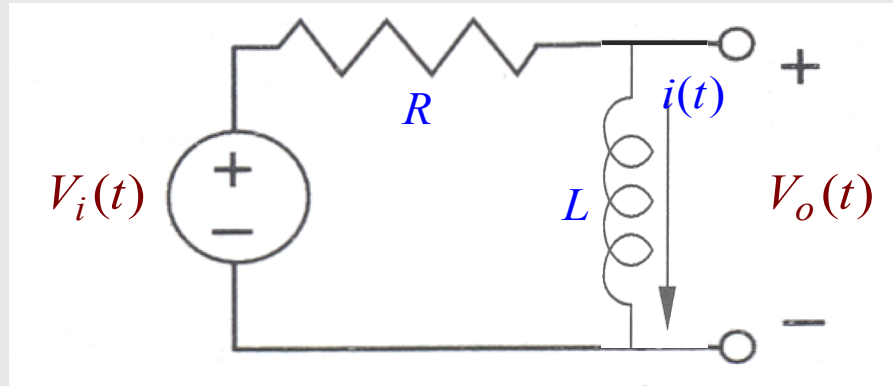


Fig 17.1

$$V_i(t) = Ri(t) + L \frac{di}{dt} \quad (1)$$

$$V_o(t) = L \frac{di}{dt} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{di}{dt} = \frac{V_o(t)}{L} \quad (3)$$

Substitute (3) in (1)

$$V_i(t) - Ri(t) - V_o(t) = 0; \text{ KVL theorem}$$

General Continuous-Time Systems

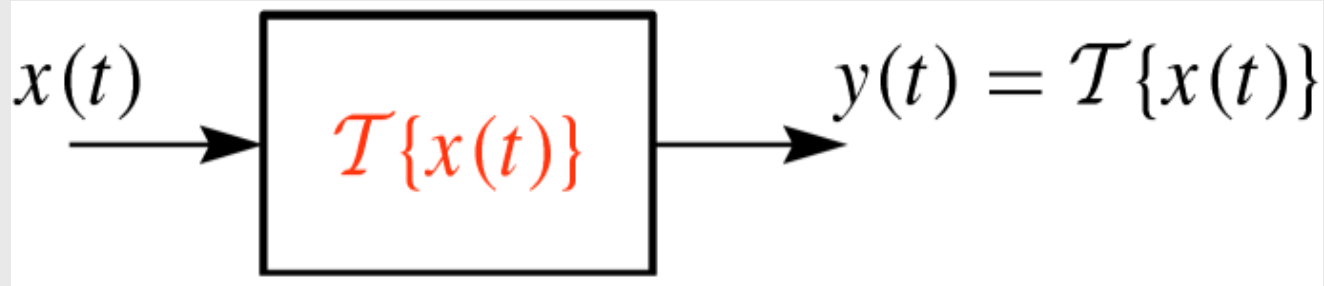


Fig 17.2

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{\tau} y(t)$$

a) *Linear System Property*

$$\alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t) \xrightarrow{\tau} \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t)$$

b) *Time - Invariant System Property*

$$x(t - t_0) \xrightarrow{\tau} y(t - t_0)$$

Filters satisfying both (a) and (b) are known as Linear Time Invariant systems, these are an important class of filters

Example 1

$$y(t) = [x(t)]^2$$

Linear System Property

$$\alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t) \xrightarrow{\tau} \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t)$$

$$x(t) = \alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= [\alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t)]^2 \\ &= \alpha^2 [x_1(t)]^2 + \beta^2 [x_2(t)]^2 + 2\alpha\beta x_1(t)x_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t) = \alpha [x_1(t)]^2 + \beta [x_2(t)]^2$$

Thus, $y(t) \neq \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t)$; The system is nonlinear

If the input is $x(t - t_0)$, then output $w(t) = [x(t - t_0)]^2$

$w(t) = y(t - t_0)$; Time invariant

Example 2

$$y(t) = \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$$

Linear System Property

$$\alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t) \xrightarrow{\tau} \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t)$$

$$x(t) = \alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t)$$

$$y(t) = \frac{d}{dt} [\alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t)]$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \alpha x_1(t) + \frac{d}{dt} \beta x_2(t) = \alpha \frac{d}{dt} x_1(t) + \beta \frac{d}{dt} x_2(t)$$

$$\alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t) = \alpha \frac{dx_1(t)}{dt} + \beta \frac{dx_2(t)}{dt}$$

Thus, $y(t) = \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t)$; The system is linear

Example 2 *contd...*

$$y(t) = \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$$

b) Time - Invariant System Property

$$x(t - t_0) \xrightarrow{\tau} y(t - t_0)$$

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

$$w(t) = \frac{d}{dt} x(t - t_0)$$

$$y(t - t_0) = \frac{d}{dt} x(t - t_0)$$

$$w(t) = y(t - t_0)$$

Thus the system is Time – Invariant

This system belongs to LTI (Linear & Time – Invariant) type of systems

Example 3

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

Linear System Property

$$\alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t) \xrightarrow{F} \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t)$$

$$x(t) = \alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t)$$

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t [\alpha x_1(\tau) + \beta x_2(\tau)] d\tau$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^t \alpha x_1(\tau) d\tau + \int_{-\infty}^t \beta x_2(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t) = \alpha \int_{-\infty}^t x_1(\tau) d\tau + \beta \int_{-\infty}^t x_2(\tau) d\tau$$

Thus, $y(t) = \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t)$; *The system is linear*

Example 3 contd...

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

b) *Time - Invariant System Property*

$$x(t - t_0) \xrightarrow{F} y(t - t_0)$$

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

let, $\tau - t_0 = \sigma$; $d\tau = d\sigma$, The limits have to be changed

lower limit ' $-\infty - t_0 = -\infty$ '; upper limit ' $t - t_0$ '

$$w(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t-t_0} x(\sigma) d\sigma = y(t - t_0)$$

Thus the system is *Time - Invariant*; *LTI system*

Example 4: Time-Varying systems

$y(t) = x(t) \cos(\omega_c t)$, *amplitude modulator system*

Time - Invariant System Property

$$x(t - t_0) \xrightarrow{F} y(t - t_0)$$

If the input is ' $x(t - t_0)$ ';

amplitude modulator results in $x(t - t_0) \cos(\omega_c t)$

$$\therefore y(t - t_0) \neq x(t - t_0) \cos(\omega_c t)$$

the system is a time varying system

Also this system is not a linear one, verify

Unit Impulse Response

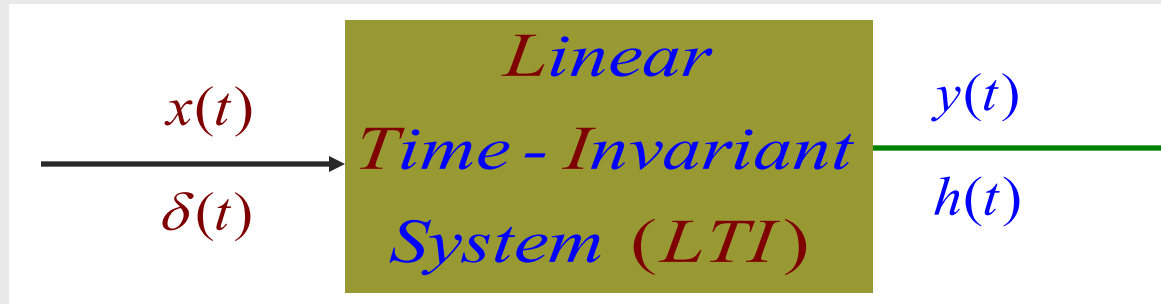


Fig 17.3

If the input $x(t)$ is $\delta(t)$ the output $y(t)$ is known as impulse response $h(t)$

Just like the discrete-time system, continuous LTI system can be characterized by its impulse response.

Unit Impulse Response *contd...*

*Linear
Time - Invariant
System (LTI)*

Discrete-time systems are described by difference equations. Continuous-time systems are described by differential equations

Consider a continuous – time system described by,

$$\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt} + 2 \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + y(t) = x(t)$$

$$y(0^-) = \dot{y}(0^-) = 0$$

$x(t) = \delta(t)$, solving the equation leads to; $h(t) = te^{-t}u(t)$

Unit Impulse Response - Stability & Causality

a) A continuous-time LTI system is stable if and only if

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

Example:

$$h(t) = u(t+10) - u(t-10) = \begin{cases} 1 & -10 \leq t < 10 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt = \int_{-10}^{10} 1 dt = 20$$

$\therefore h(t)$ is stable

b) A continuous-time LTI system is causal if and only if

$$h(t) = 0 \text{ for } t < 0$$

Example

a) Find the impulse response of an integrator

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

$$x(t) = \delta(t), \quad y(t) = h(t)$$

$$h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau) d\tau = u(t), \text{ recall the previous result}$$

Thus unit step function is the impulse response of integrator

b) Find the impulse response of a differentiator; $y(t) = \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$

$$x(t) = \delta(t), \quad y(t) = h(t)$$

$$h(t) = \frac{d\delta(t)}{dt} = \delta'(t)$$

$\delta'(t)$ is a mathematical function known as a 'doublet'

Unit Impulse Response & Unit Step Response

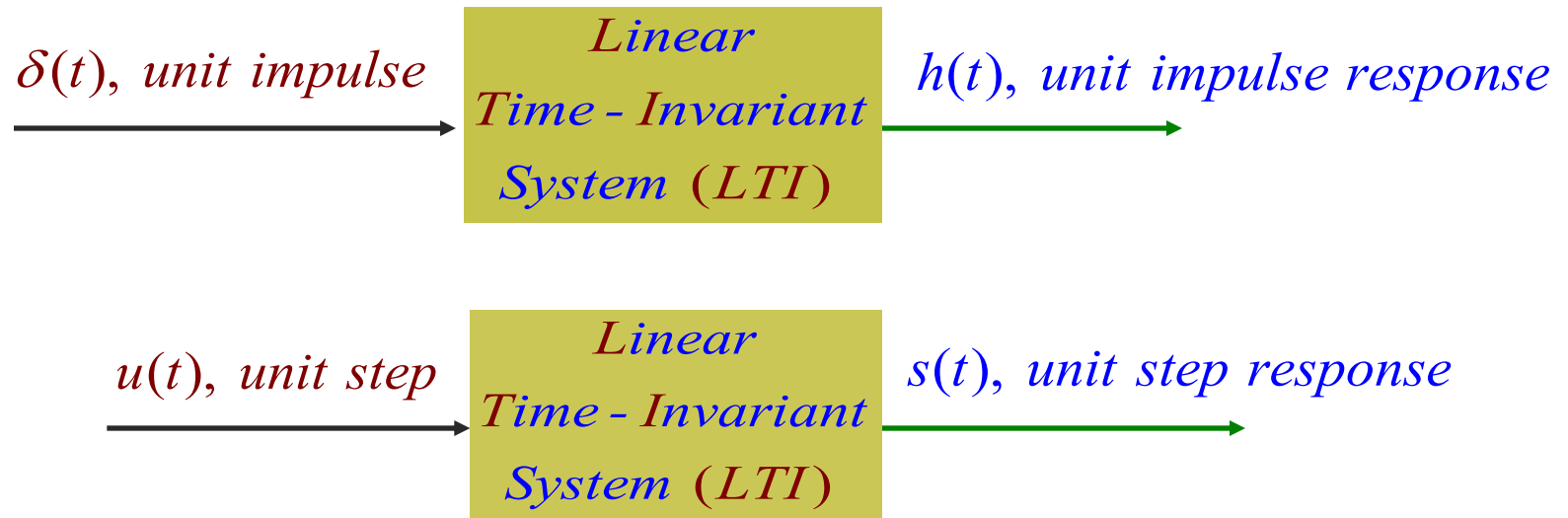


Fig 17.4

$$\therefore \delta(t) = \frac{du(t)}{dt}$$

$$\text{follows that; } h(t) = \frac{ds(t)}{dt}$$

Example

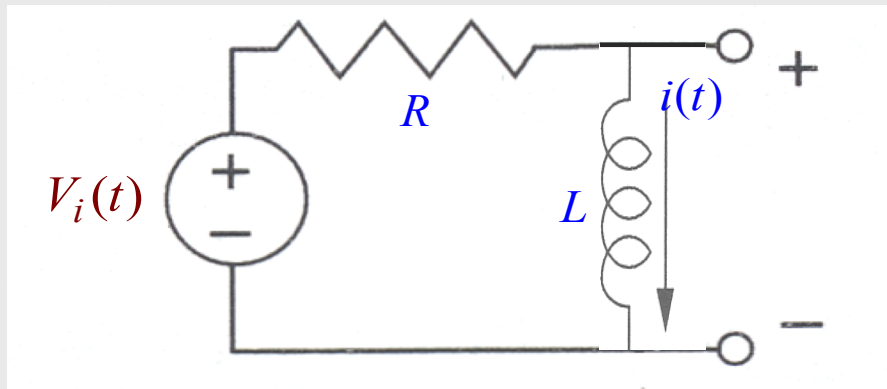


Fig 17.5

$$V_i(t) = Ri(t) + L \frac{di}{dt}$$

Unit step response (solve the differential equation);

$$s(t) = \frac{1}{R} (1 - e^{-Rt/L}) u(t)$$

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

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{L} (e^{-Rt/L}) u(t)$$

LTI system output - Convolution integral

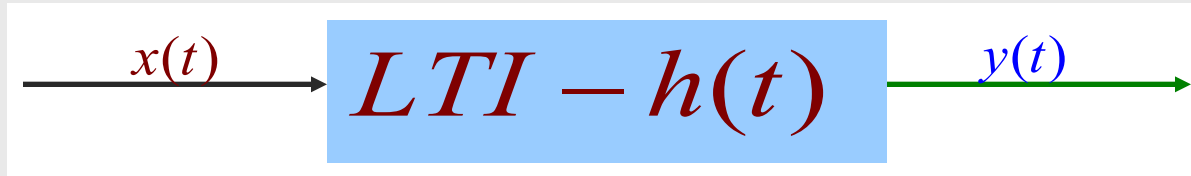


Fig 17.6

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

The output of every LTI system can be described by the above convolutional integral

*$y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$; standard notation*

if $x(t) = \delta(t)$;

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau = \int_{0^-}^{0^+} \delta(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau = h(t)$$

Examples

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

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau - t_0)h(t - \tau)d\tau \\ &= \int_{t_0^-}^{t_0^+} \delta(\tau - t_0)h(t - \tau)d\tau = h(t - t_0) \end{aligned}$$

$$b) x(t) = u(t), \quad h(t) = \delta(t)$$

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

Examples

c) $h(t) = \delta(t)$

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

d) $x(t) = u(t), \quad h(t) = u(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= x(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(\tau)u(t-\tau)d\tau \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} u(t-\tau)d\tau = \int_0^t 1 d\tau = \begin{cases} t & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore u(t-\tau) = 1$ for $t-\tau \geq 0$ or $\tau \leq t$

Example

$$e) x(t) = tu(t); \quad h(t) = e^{-t}u(t)$$

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

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

$$\left(u(\tau) = \begin{cases} 1 & \tau \geq 0 \\ 0 & \tau < 0 \end{cases} \right) \cap \left(u(t-\tau) = \begin{cases} 1 & \tau \leq t \\ 0 & \tau > t \end{cases} \right), \text{ for limits}$$

$$= \int_0^t \tau e^{-(t-\tau)} d\tau = \int_0^t \tau e^{-t} e^{\tau} d\tau = e^{-t} \int_0^t \tau e^{\tau} d\tau = e^{-t} \int_0^t \tau e^{\tau} d\tau$$

$$= e^{-t} \left[e^{\tau} (\tau - 1) \right]_0^t = e^{-t} \left[te^t - e^t + 1 \right] u(t) = \left[t - 1 + e^{-t} \right] u(t)$$

Example

$$f) x(t) = \delta(t - t_1); \quad h(t) = \delta(t - t_2)$$

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

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau - t_1)\delta(t - \tau - t_2)d\tau$$

$$= \int_{t_1^-}^{t_1^+} \delta(\tau - t_1)\delta(t - \tau - t_2)d\tau = \delta(t - t_1 - t_2)$$

$$\delta(t - t_1) * \delta(t - t_2) = \delta(t - (t_1 + t_2))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Practice, } [\delta(t - 5) + \delta(t - 5)] * [\delta(t - 0.5) + 3\delta(t)] &= \\ &= \delta(t - 5.5) - 3\delta(t - 5) + \delta(t + 4.5) - 3\delta(t + 5) \end{aligned}$$

Example

$$g) x(t) = u(t) - u(t - 1); \quad h(t) = e^{-t}u(t)$$

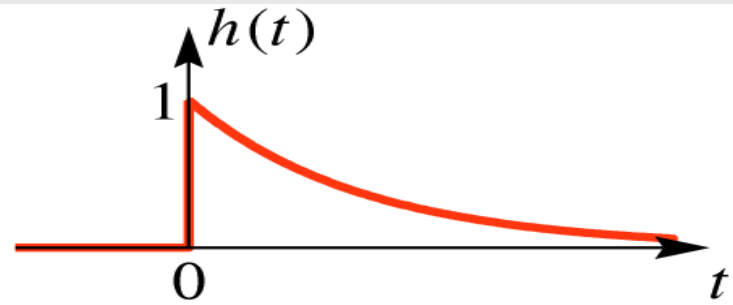
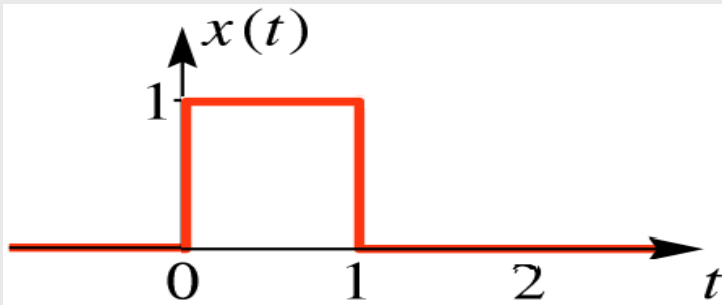
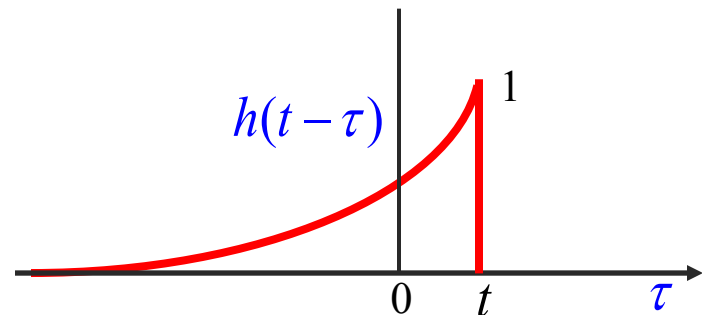
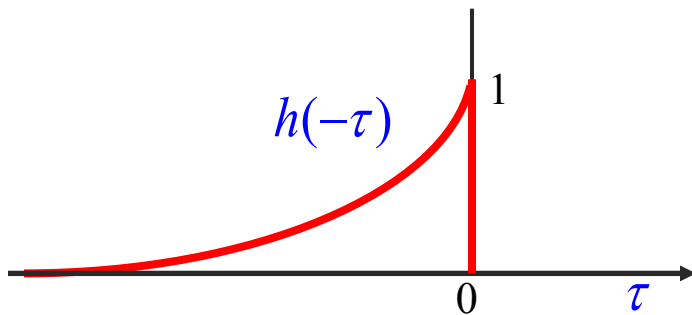


Fig 17.7

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



The problem has 3 parts to it;

$t < 0$; $y(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$;

since there is no overlap between the two functions

$0 \leq t \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_0^t e^{-(t-\tau)} d\tau = e^{-t} \int_0^t e^{\tau} d\tau \\ &= e^{-t} \left[e^{\tau} \right]_0^t = e^{-t} \left[e^t - 1 \right] = 1 - e^{-t} \end{aligned}$$

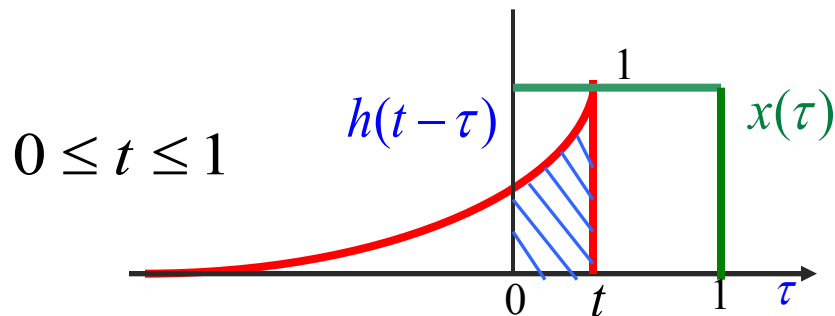


Fig 17.9

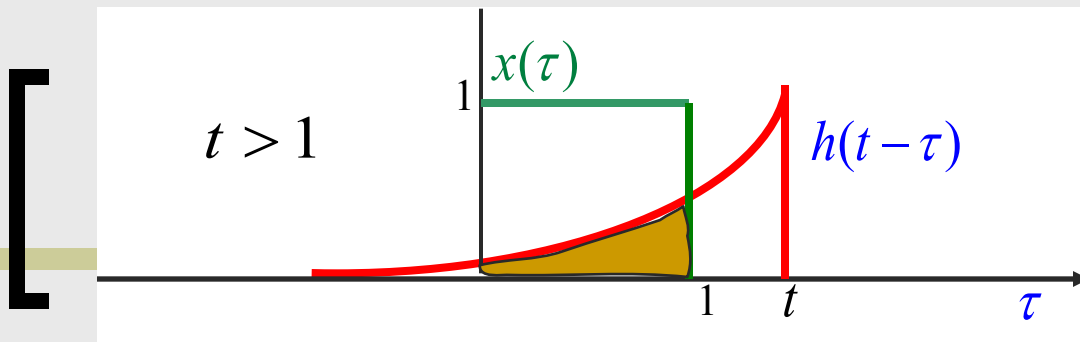
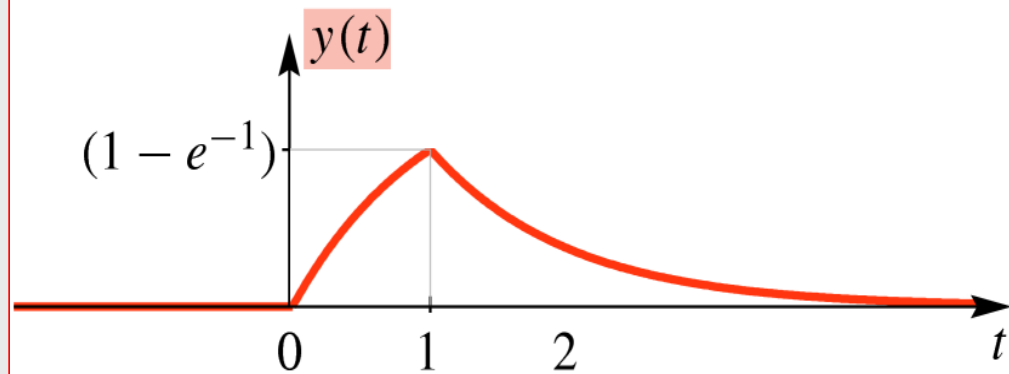


Fig 17.10

$t > 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) &= \int_0^1 e^{-(t-\tau)} d\tau + \int_0^t 0 d\tau \\
 &= e^{-t} \int_0^1 e^{\tau} d\tau = e^{-t} \left[e^{\tau} \right]_0^1 \\
 &= e^{-t} \left[e^1 - 1 \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-t} & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ e^{-t} [e - 1] & t > 1 \end{cases}$$



Practice Example 1

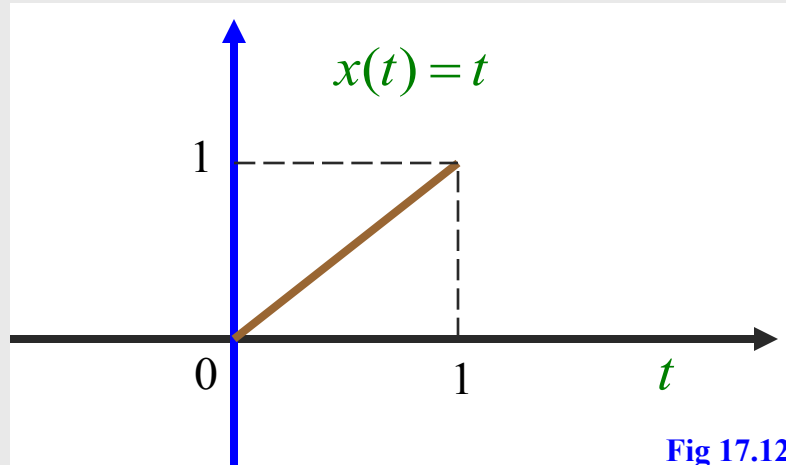


Fig 17.12

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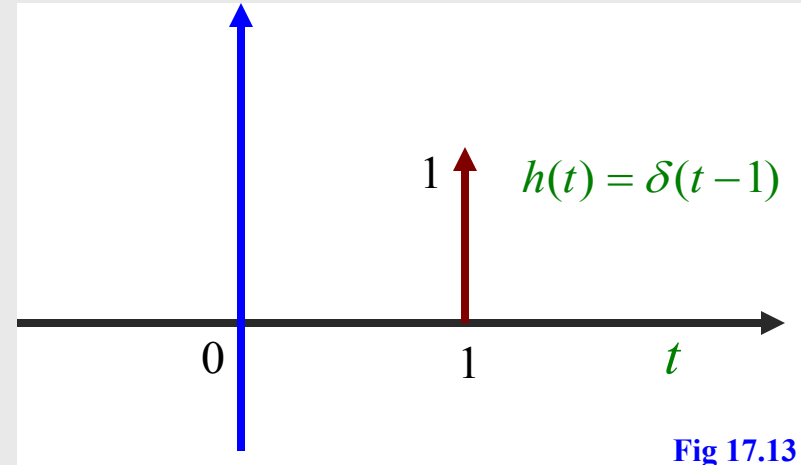
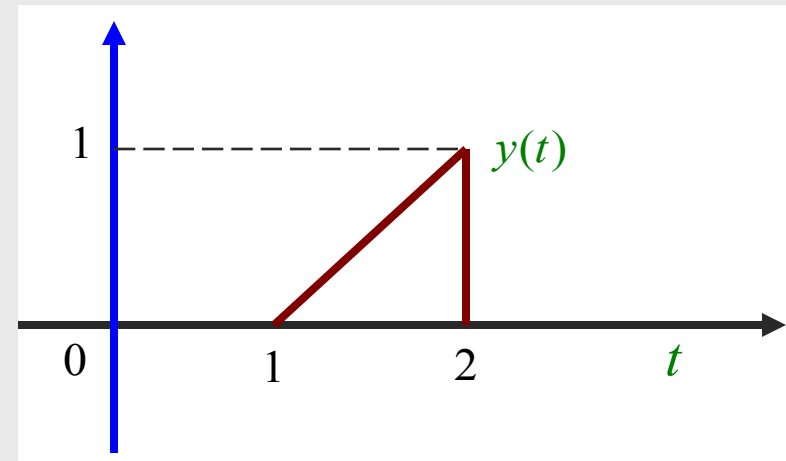


Fig 17.13

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 1 \\ t-1 & 1 \leq t \leq 2 \\ 0 & t > 2 \end{cases}$$

Output is shifted version of input



Practice Example 2

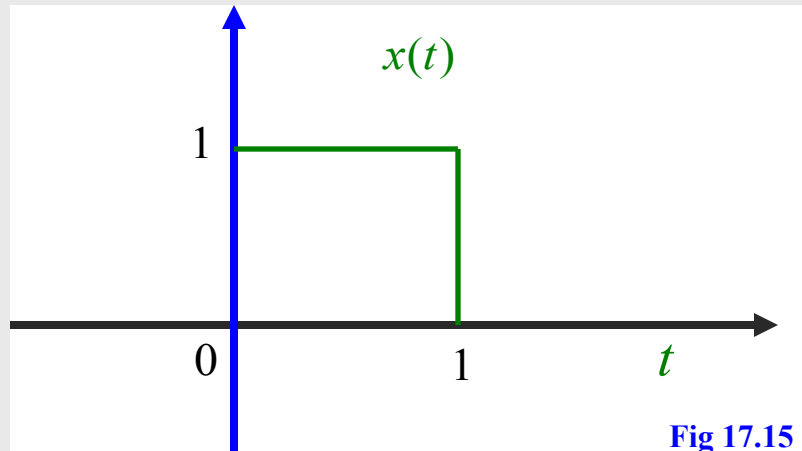


Fig 17.15

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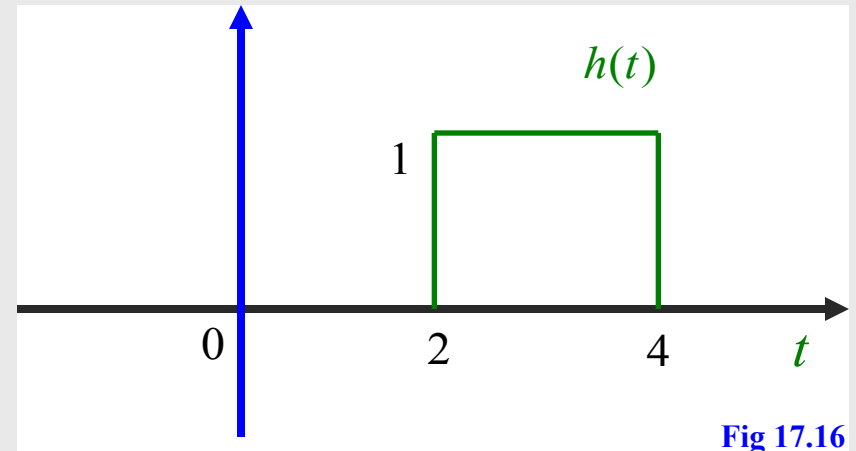
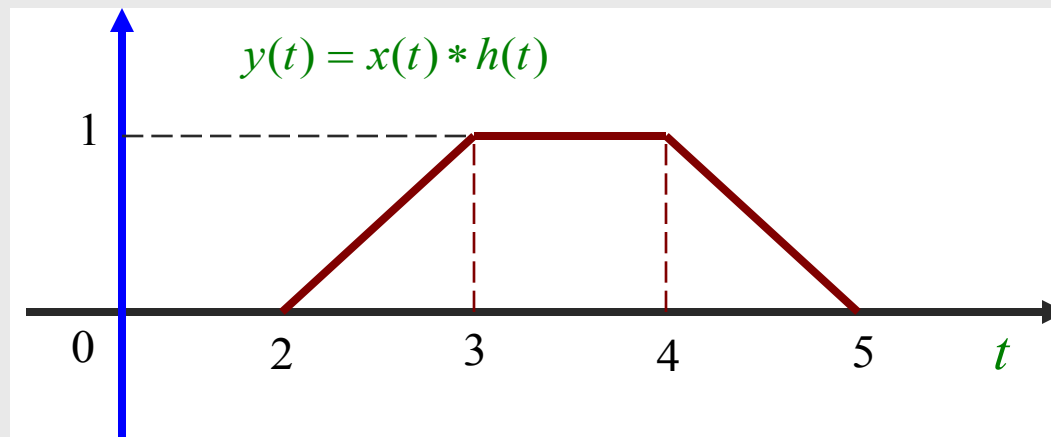


Fig 17.16



A look at Discrete Convolution

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

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k]h[n - k] \quad \text{for } -\infty < n < \infty$$

The format of getting the output is same for both continuous and discrete – time sequences

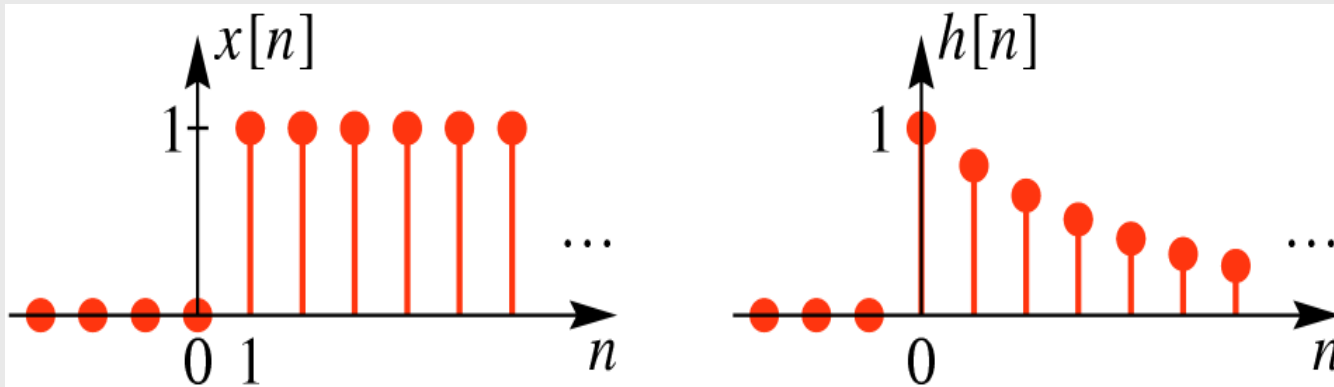
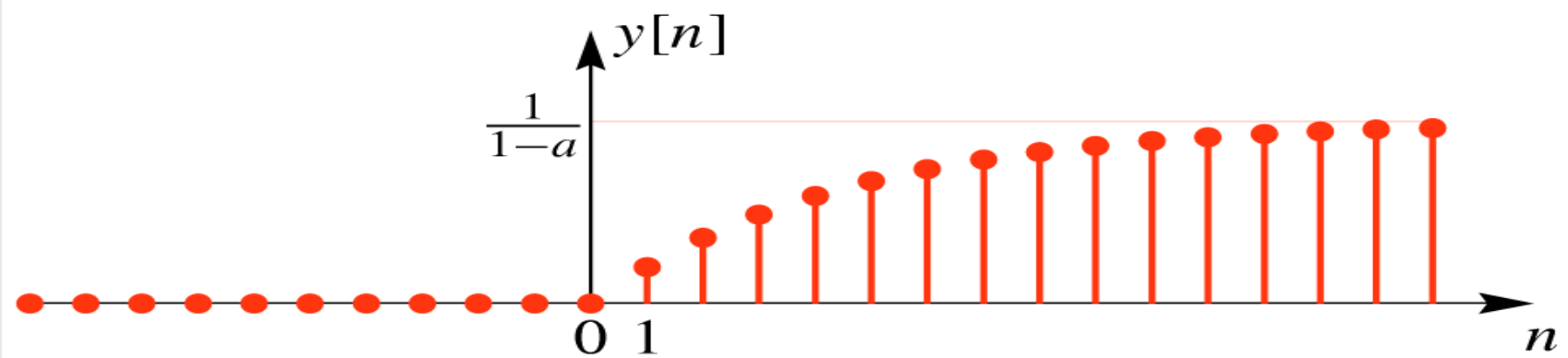
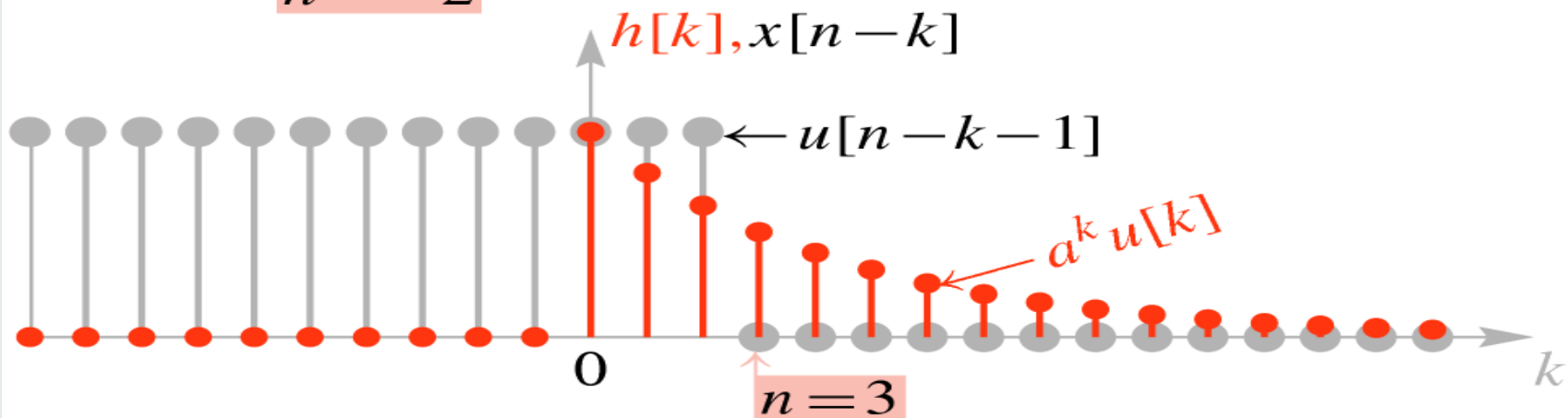
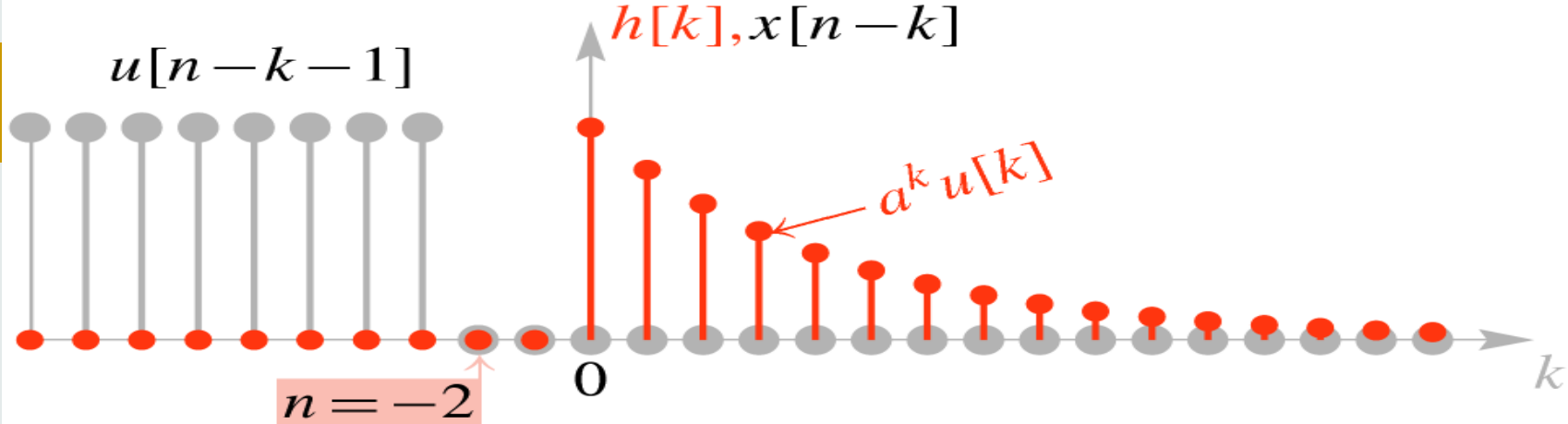
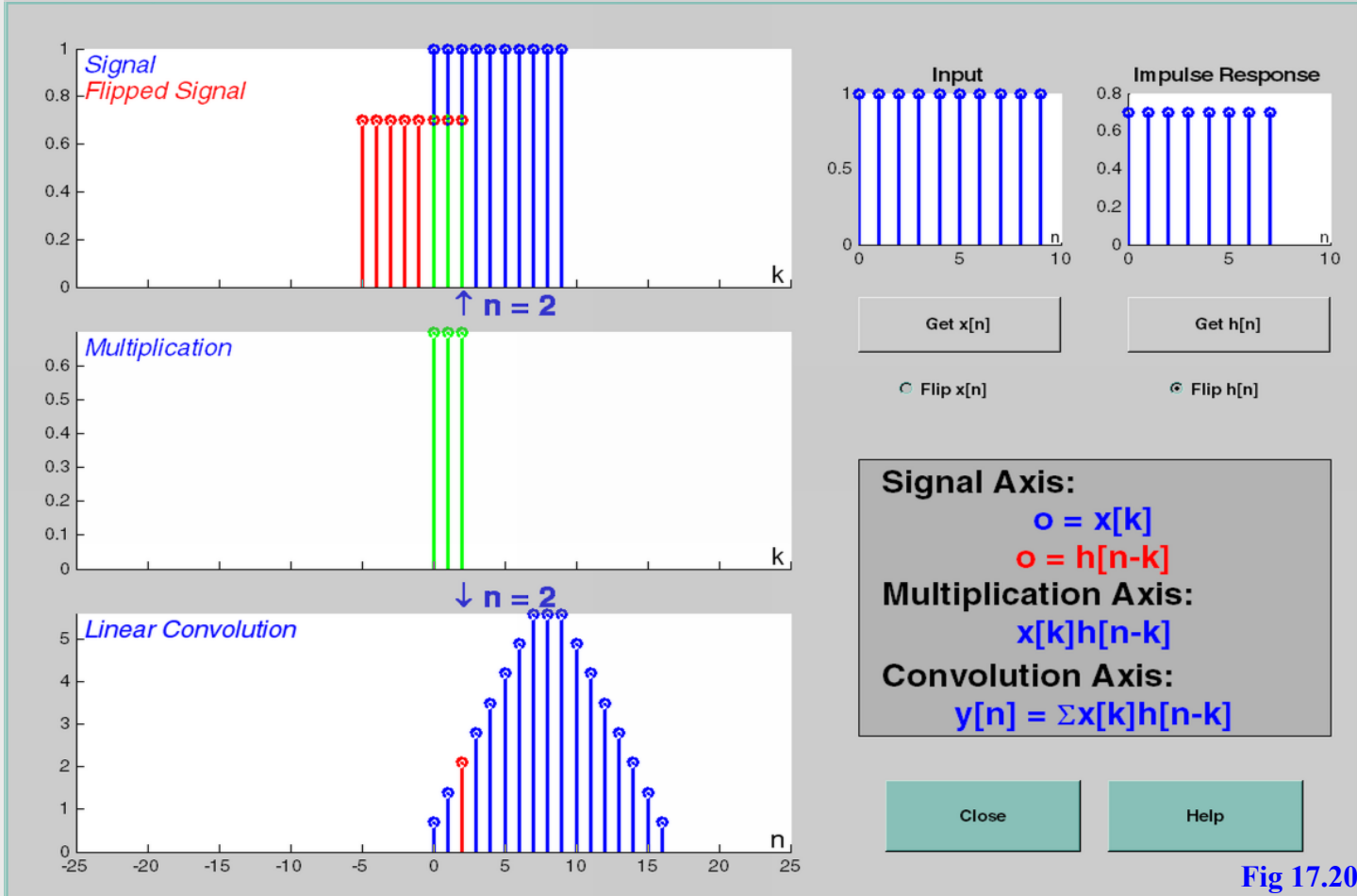


Fig 17.18



Demo: Discrete-Time Convolution



Demo: Continuous-Time Convolution

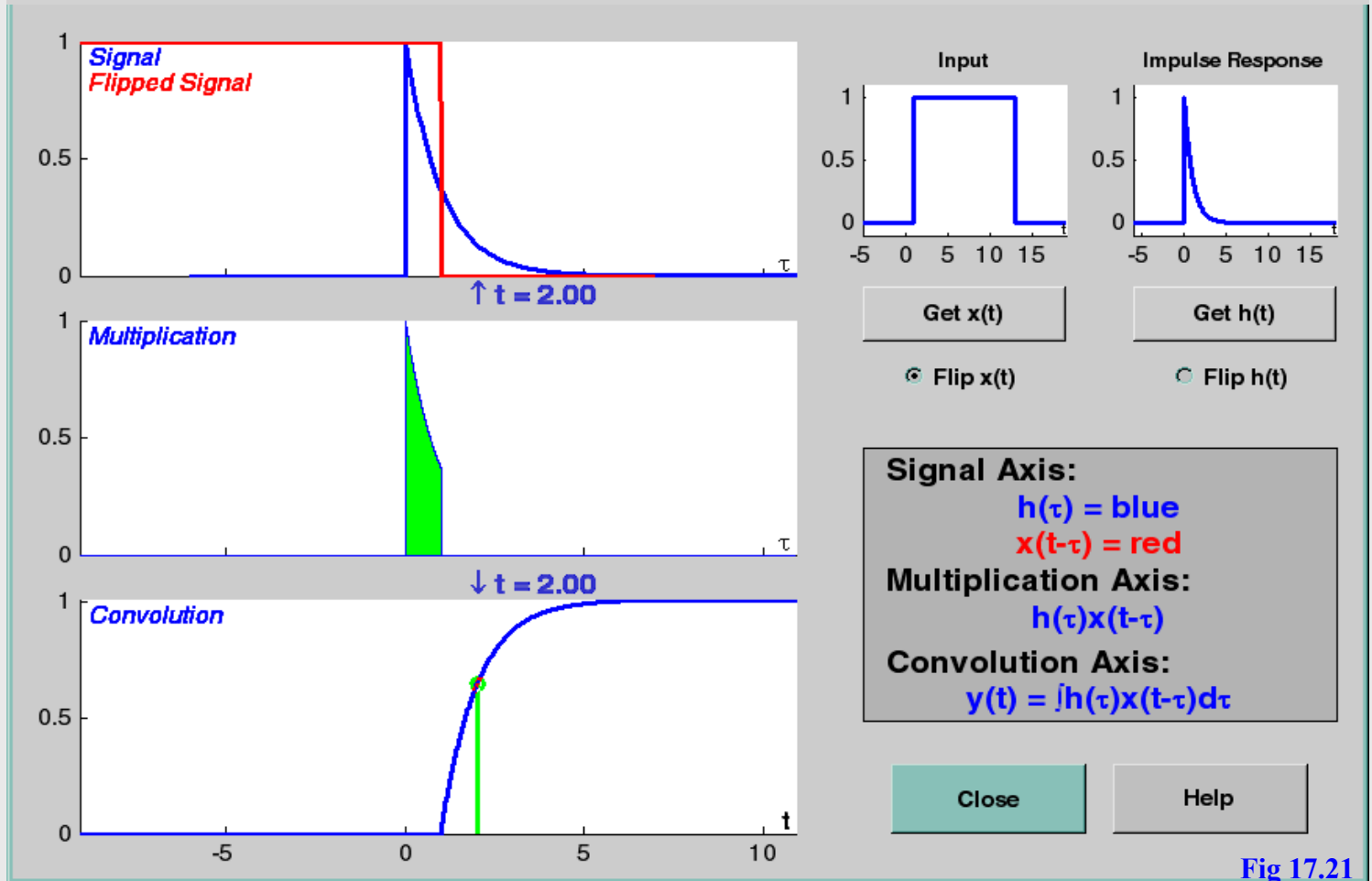


Fig 17.21

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Summary

Linear Time - Invariant System (LTI)

*Continuous Time
(LTI) systems*

Differential equations

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k \frac{d^k y(t)}{dt^k} = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \frac{d^k x(t)}{dt^k}$$

Output : Convolution integral

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

*Discrete - Time
(LTI) Systems*

Difference equations

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k y[n - k] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x[n - k]$$

Output : Convolution sum

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

for $-\infty < n < \infty$

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