

Table 2-1: Convolution properties

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

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$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t) = u(t) \int_0^t h(\tau) x(t - \tau) d\tau$$

Property	Description
1. Commutative	$x(t) * h(t) = h(t) * x(t)$
2. Associative	$[g(t) * h(t)] * x(t) = g(t) * [h(t) * x(t)]$
3. Distributive	$x(t) * [h_1(t) + \dots + h_N(t)] = x(t) * h_1(t) + \dots + x(t) * h_N(t)$
4. Causal * Causal = Causal	$y(t) = u(t) \int_0^t h(\tau) x(t - \tau) d\tau$
5. Time-shift	$h(t - T_1) * x(t - T_2) = y(t - T_1 - T_2)$
6. Convolution with Impulse	$x(t) * \delta(t - T) = x(t - T)$
7. Width	Width of $y(t)$ = width of $x(t)$ + width of $h(t)$
8. Area	Area of $y(t)$ = area of $x(t)$ × area of $h(t)$
9. Convolution with $u(t)$	$y(t) = x(t) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau$ (Ideal integrator)
10a. Differentiation	$\left(\frac{d^m x}{dt^m}\right) * \left(\frac{d^n h}{dt^n}\right) = \left(\frac{d^{m+n} y}{dt^{m+n}}\right)$
10b. Integration	$\int_{-\infty}^t y(\tau) d\tau = x(t) * \left[\int_{-\infty}^t h(\tau) d\tau\right] = \left[\int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau\right] * h(t)$

Table 2.2: Commonly encountered convolutions

No.	$x_1(t)$	$x_2(t)$	$x_1(t) * x_2(t) = x_2(t) * x_1(t)$
1	$u(t)$	$u(t)$	$t u(t)$
2	$e^{at} u(t)$	$u(t)$	$\left(\frac{e^{at}-1}{a}\right) u(t)$
3	$e^{at} u(t)$	$e^{bt} u(t)$	$\left[\frac{e^{at}-e^{bt}}{a-b}\right] u(t), \quad a \neq b$
4	$e^{at} u(t)$	$e^{at} u(t)$	$t e^{at} u(t)$
5	$t e^{at} u(t)$	$e^{bt} u(t)$	$\frac{e^{bt}-e^{at}+(a-b)t e^{at}}{(a-b)^2} u(t), \quad a \neq b$
6	$t e^{at} u(t)$	$e^{at} u(t)$	$\frac{1}{2} t^2 e^{at} u(t)$
7	$\delta(t-T_1)$	$\delta(t-T_2)$	$\delta(t-T_1-T_2)$
8	$t^N u(t)$	$e^{at} u(t)$	$\frac{N! e^{at}}{a^{N+1}} u(t) - \sum_{k=0}^N \frac{N! t^{N-k}}{a^{k+1} (N-k)!} u(t)$
9	$t^M u(t)$	$t^N u(t)$	$\frac{M! N!}{(M+N+1)!} t^{M+N+1} u(t)$
10	$t^M e^{at} u(t)$	$t^N e^{at} u(t)$	$\frac{M! N!}{(N+M+1)!} t^{M+N+1} e^{at} u(t)$
11	$t^M e^{at} u(t)$	$t^N e^{bt} u(t)$	$\sum_{k=0}^M \frac{(-1)^k M! (N+k)! t^{M-k} e^{at}}{k! (M-k)! (a-b)^{N+k+1}} u(t)$ $+ \sum_{k=0}^N \frac{(-1)^k N! (M+k)! t^{N-k} e^{bt}}{k! (N-k)! (b-a)^{M+k+1}} u(t)$
12	$e^{-at} \cos(\omega t + \theta) u(t)$	$e^{bt} u(t)$	$\frac{\cos(\theta - \phi) e^{bt} - e^{-at} \cos(\omega t + \theta - \phi)}{\sqrt{(a+b)^2 + \omega^2}} u(t)$ $\phi = \text{atan2}(-\omega, a+b)$
13	$\cos(\omega t + \theta) u(t)$	$u(t)$	$(1/\beta)[\sin(\omega t + \theta) - \sin(\theta)] u(t)$
14	$e^{at} u(t)$	$e^{bt} u(-t)$	$\frac{e^{at} u(t) - e^{bt} u(-t)}{b-a} \quad \Re\{b\} > \Re\{a\}$
15	$e^{at} u(-t)$	$e^{bt} u(-t)$	$\frac{e^{at} - e^{bt}}{b-a} u(-t)$

$$\text{Note (assuming } \beta > 0 \text{): } \text{atan2}(-\beta, \alpha + \lambda) = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1}(-\beta/(\alpha + \lambda)) & \text{if } \alpha + \lambda > 0 \\ \tan^{-1}(-\beta/(\alpha + \lambda)) - \pi & \text{if } \alpha + \lambda < 0 \end{cases}$$