

Mathematics for Electrical Engineering Homework # 1

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Problem 1.1 Calculate the following $y(t)$, and describe them as simply as possible.

- (i) $y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma e^{3\sigma} u(2t - \sigma) d\sigma$
- (ii) $y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(3t - \sigma) u(\sigma - 4) d\sigma$
- (iii) $y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \delta\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right) e^{-\sigma} u(\sigma) d\sigma$
- (iv) $y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (t - \sigma) e^{-(t-\sigma)} u(t - \sigma) u(2\sigma) d\sigma$
- (v) $y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\delta(2t - \sigma) - e^{-3(t-\sigma)} u(t - \sigma)] e^{-2\sigma} t^3 u(\sigma) d\sigma$

SOLUTIONS

Problem 1.1 (i)

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma e^{3\sigma} u(2t - \sigma) d\sigma \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{2t} \sigma e^{3\sigma} d\sigma \quad (\text{since } u(2t - \sigma) = 0, \sigma > 2t.) \\ &= \left[\frac{\sigma}{3} e^{3\sigma} - \frac{1}{9} e^{3\sigma} \right]_{-\infty}^{2t} \\ &= \frac{2t}{3} e^{6t} - \frac{1}{9} e^{6t} \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(3t - \sigma) u(\sigma - 4) d\sigma \\ &= \begin{cases} \int_4^{3t} 1 d\sigma, & 3t \geq 4 \\ 0, & 3t < 4 \end{cases} \\ &= \left(\int_4^{3t} 1 d\sigma \right) u(3t - 4) \\ &= [\sigma]_4^{3t} u(3t - 4) \\ &= (3t - 4) u(3t - 4) \end{aligned}$$

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \delta\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right) e^{-\sigma} u(\sigma) d\sigma \\ &= t^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau) e^{-2\tau} u(2\tau) 2d\tau \quad (\text{Let } \tau = \frac{\sigma}{2} \text{ and integrate with respect to } \tau.) \\ &= 2t^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau) e^{-2\cdot 0} u(2 \cdot 0) d\tau \\ &= 2t^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau) d\tau \\ &= 2t^2 \end{aligned}$$

(iv)

$$\begin{aligned}
y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (t-\sigma)e^{-(t-\sigma)} u(t-\sigma) u(2\sigma) d\sigma \\
&= \begin{cases} \int_0^t (t-\sigma)e^{-(t-\sigma)} d\sigma, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases} \\
&= \left(\int_0^t (t-\sigma)e^{-(t-\sigma)} d\sigma \right) u(t) \\
&= \left(\int_0^t \tau e^{-\tau} d\tau \right) u(t) \quad (\text{Let } \tau = t - \sigma \text{ and integrate with respect to } \tau.) \\
&= [-\tau e^{-\tau} - e^{-\tau}]_0^t u(t) \\
&= (1 - te^{-t} - e^{-t}) u(t)
\end{aligned}$$

(v)

$$\begin{aligned}
y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\delta(2t-\sigma) - e^{-3(t-\sigma)} u(t-\sigma)] e^{-2\sigma} t^3 u(\sigma) d\sigma \\
&= t^3 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\delta(2t-\sigma) e^{-2\sigma} u(\sigma) - e^{-3(t-\sigma)} u(t-\sigma) e^{-2\sigma} u(\sigma)] d\sigma \\
&= t^3 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(2t-\sigma) e^{-4t} u(2t) d\sigma - \begin{cases} t^3 \int_0^t e^{-3(t-\sigma)} e^{-2\sigma} d\sigma, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases} \\
&= t^3 \left(e^{-4t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(2t-\sigma) d\sigma - \int_0^t e^{-3t+\sigma} d\sigma \right) u(t) \\
&= t^3 (e^{-4t} - e^{-3t} [e^\sigma]_0^t) u(t) \\
&= t^3 (e^{-4t} - e^{-3t} (e^t - 1)) u(t) \\
&= t^3 (e^{-4t} - e^{-2t} + e^{-3t}) u(t)
\end{aligned}$$