

1. Compute the following convolutions $x * h$ using either the integration and/or the graphical computation methods. Show all work. [10 points]

(a) $x(t) = \exp(t)u(-t)$, $h(t) = -\delta(t) + 2\exp(-t)u(t)$

(b) $x(t) = \sin(3t)u(t)$, $h(t) = \exp(-t)u(t)$

(c) $x_1(t)$ and $x_2(t)$ in Figure P2.4-18 (a) on page 237.

(d) $x(t) = t[u(t+1) - u(t-1)]$, $h(t) = u(t) + u(t-2) - u(t-4)$

(e) $x(t) = 2u(t+2) - 2u(t-2)$, $h(t) = \exp(-|t|)[u(t+4) - u(t-4)]$

2. In this problem you will use MATLAB to numerically compute some convolutions. Answer all the questions and submit all the plots described below. [5 points]

- (a) We want to convolve the rectangular function $x(t) = u(t) - u(t-4)$ with itself using MATLAB. To do this, we sample $x(t)$ at $t = 1, 2, 3, 4$ in order to form a vector \mathbf{x} with four entries, $\mathbf{x} = [1, 1, 1, 1]$. This can be accomplished quickly by typing

$$\mathbf{x} = \text{ones}(1, 4)$$

at the MATLAB prompt. Here we interpret the first entry of \mathbf{x} as the value of $x(t)$ at $t = 1$, the second entry of \mathbf{x} as the value of $x(t)$ at $t = 2$, etc.. Next, compute the numerical convolution of the vector \mathbf{x} with itself in MATLAB by typing

$$\mathbf{y} = \text{conv}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})$$

at the prompt. Plot the result, and then describe/interpret each entry of the resulting vector \mathbf{y} as a sample from the convolution function $(x * x)(t)$ at a particular time. That is, find times $t_1 < t_2 < \dots$ so that the first entry of the vector \mathbf{y} is equal to $(x * x)(t_1)$, the second entry of the vector \mathbf{y} is equal to $(x * x)(t_2)$, etc..

- (b) Now convolve the vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} from above using `conv`, and then plot the result. What is the true time duration of $x * (x * x)$, and how does it compare to what's graphed in your plot of `conv(x, y)`? Describe the plot's appearance – does it look more like a constant function, a piecewise linear function, or a quadratic function?
- (c) Now convolve a rectangular function on $[0, 1]$ with itself in the same way as for part (a). That is, represent this new function $x_1(t) = u(t) - u(t-1)$ as a vector of its values at the times $t = .25, .5, .75$, and 1, and consider it to be zero for times outside of $[0, 1]$. Use the `conv` function to plot $x_1 * x_1$. What do you have to do differently in order to make sure that your plot has the correct maximum height? Why does it make sense?

3. Consider the LTI system, T , with the input and output related by

$$y(t) = T[x(t)] = \int_0^t \exp(-\tau)x(t-\tau) d\tau.$$

Answer the following questions [5 points].

- (a) Find the system impulse response $h(t)$ by letting $x(t) = \delta(t)$.
- (b) Is this system causal? Why?
- (c) Determine the system response $y(t)$ for the input $x(t) = u(t + 1)$.
- (d) Suppose we form a new system, T_{new} , by setting $T_{\text{new}}[x(t)] = T[x(t) - x(t - 1)]$. Find the impulse response of T_{new} .
- (e) Find the response of T_{new} to the input $x(t) = u(t + 1)$.

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Solutions

① a) $x(t) = e^t u(-t)$
 $h(t) = -\delta(t) + 2e^{-t} u(t)$

$$y(t) = x(t) * h(t) = -e^t u(-t) + \underbrace{2e^{-t} u(t) * e^t u(-t)}$$

$$2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\tau} u(-\tau) e^{-(t-\tau)} u(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$= 2 \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{2\tau} e^{-t} u(t-\tau) d\tau = 2e^{-t} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{2\tau} u(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$\begin{cases} 1, & t > \tau \\ 0, & t < \tau \end{cases}$$

if $t > 0 \rightarrow 2e^{-t} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{2\tau} d\tau = 2e^{-t} \left. \frac{e^{2\tau}}{2} \right|_{-\infty}^0$
 $= 2e^{-t} \left[\frac{1}{2} \right] = e^{-t}$

if $t < 0 \rightarrow 2e^{-t} \int_{-\infty}^t e^{2\tau} d\tau = e^{-t} e^{2\tau} \Big|_{-\infty}^t$
 $= e^{-t} \cdot e^{2t} = e^t$

$$y(t) = e^t u(-t) + e^{-t} u(t) = e^{-|t|} //$$

b) $x(t) = \sin(3t) u(t)$ $h(t) = e^{-t} u(t)$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sin(3\tau) u(\tau) e^{-(t-\tau)} u(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \sin(3\tau) e^{-t} e^{\tau} u(t-\tau) d\tau$$

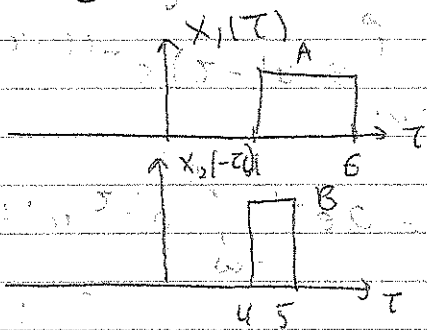
$$= e^{-t} \int_0^t \sin(3\tau) e^{\tau} d\tau \rightarrow$$

$$e^{-t} \left. \frac{e^t}{10} (\sin(3t) - 3\cos(3t)) \right|_0^t$$

$$= e^{-t} \left[\frac{e^t}{10} (\sin(3t) - 3\cos(3t)) - \frac{1}{10} (-3) \right]$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{10} \sin(3t) - \frac{3}{10} \cos(3t) + \frac{3}{10} e^{-t} \right] u(t)$$

c)



if $t > 2$ $y(t) = 0$

if $t < -1$ $y(t) = 0$

$-1 < t < 0$ partial overlap

$$\int AB d\tau = AB(t+1)$$

$0 \leq t \leq 1$ → full overlap

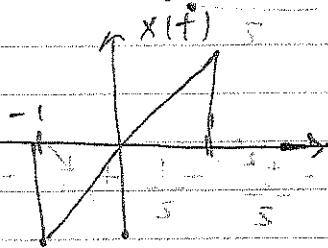
$$\int_{u+t}^u AB d\tau = AB \cdot 1 = AB$$

if $1 \leq t < 2$ → partial overlap

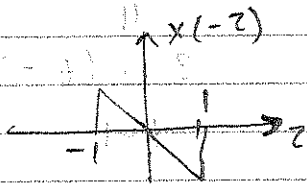
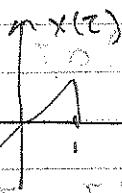
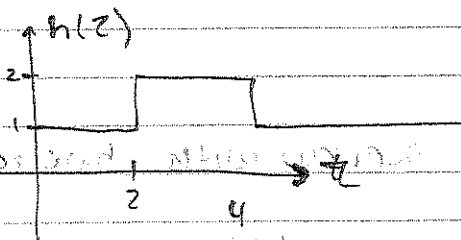
$$\int_{u+t}^u AB d\tau = AB(2-t)$$

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

(d) $x(t) = t [u(t+1) - u(t-1)]$



$h(t)$



if $t < -1$ no overlap $y(t) = 0$
 $-1 < t < 1$ partial overlap

$$\int_0^{t+1} (t-z) dz$$

$$t\tau - \frac{\tau^2}{2} \Big|_0^{t+1}$$

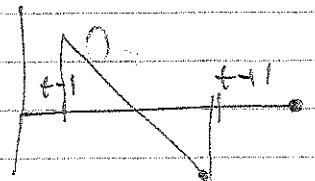
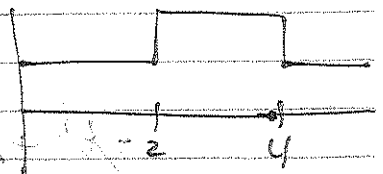
$$= t(t+1) - \frac{(t+1)^2}{2} = \frac{t^2 + t - (t^2 + 2t + 1)}{2} = \frac{-t - 1}{2}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \quad \rightarrow \quad -1 < t < 1$$

$1 < t < 3$ overlap with both 1 & 2

$$\int_{t-1}^{t+1} (t-z) dz + 2 \int_{t-1}^{t+1} (t-z) dz$$

$$= t\tau - \frac{\tau^2}{2} \Big|_{t-1}^{t+1} + 2 \left(t\tau - \frac{\tau^2}{2} \right) \Big|_{t-1}^{t+1}$$



$$2t - 2 - t(t-1) - \frac{(t-1)^2 + 2t(t+1) - (t+1)^2}{2}$$

$$-4t + 4$$

$$= -2t + 2 - t^2 + t - \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + t + 2t^2 + 2t - t^2 - 1 - 2t$$

$$= -\frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

3 < t < 5 overlap with two regions

$$2 \int_{t-1}^4 (t-z) dz + \int_{t-1}^{t+1} (t-z) dz$$

$$= 2 \left[tz - \frac{z^2}{2} \right]_{t-1}^4 + \left[tz - \frac{z^2}{2} \right]_{t-1}^{t+1}$$

$$= 8t - 16 - 2t(t-1) + (t-1)^2 + t(t+1) - \frac{(t+1)^2}{2}$$

$$-4t + 8$$

$$= 4t - 8 - 2t^2 + 2t + t^2 - 2t + 1 + t^2 + t - \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - t$$

$$= -\frac{t^2}{2} + 4t - \frac{15}{2}$$

5 < t full overlap

$$\int_{t-1}^{t+1} (t-z) dz = \left[tz - \frac{z^2}{2} \right]_{t-1}^{t+1} = t(t+1) - \frac{(t+1)^2}{2} - t(t-1) + \frac{(t-1)^2}{2}$$

$$= t^2 + t - \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - t^2 + t - \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$= 0$$

i.e.) on your own

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% Clear the memory
clear;

% Sample  $u(t) - u(t-3)$  at  $t = 0, 1, 2, 3$ .
x = ones(1,4);

% Compute the convolution of x with itself, and then plot the result
y = conv(x,x);

figure;
plot(y);

% Compute the convolution of x with y.
z = conv(x,y);

figure;
plot(z);

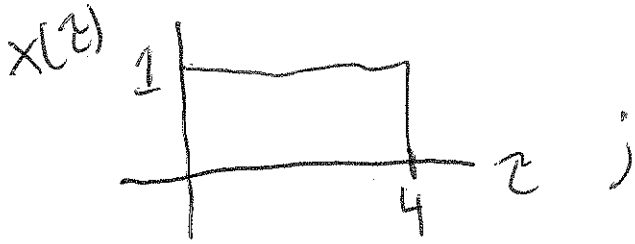
% Now compute the convolution of  $x1 = u(t) - u(t-1)$  with itself, and plot
% the result.

x1 = ones(1,4);
y1 = .25*conv(x1,x1); % We multiply by .25 because our spacing between
    samples from x1 is .25!

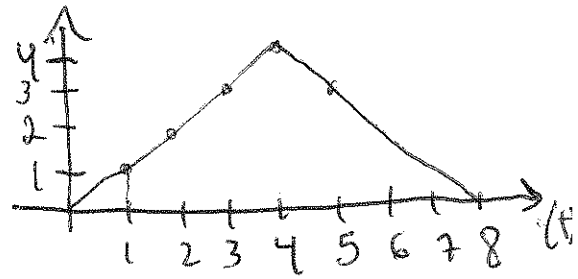
figure;
plot(.25*[1:7],y1);
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plot for (a) :

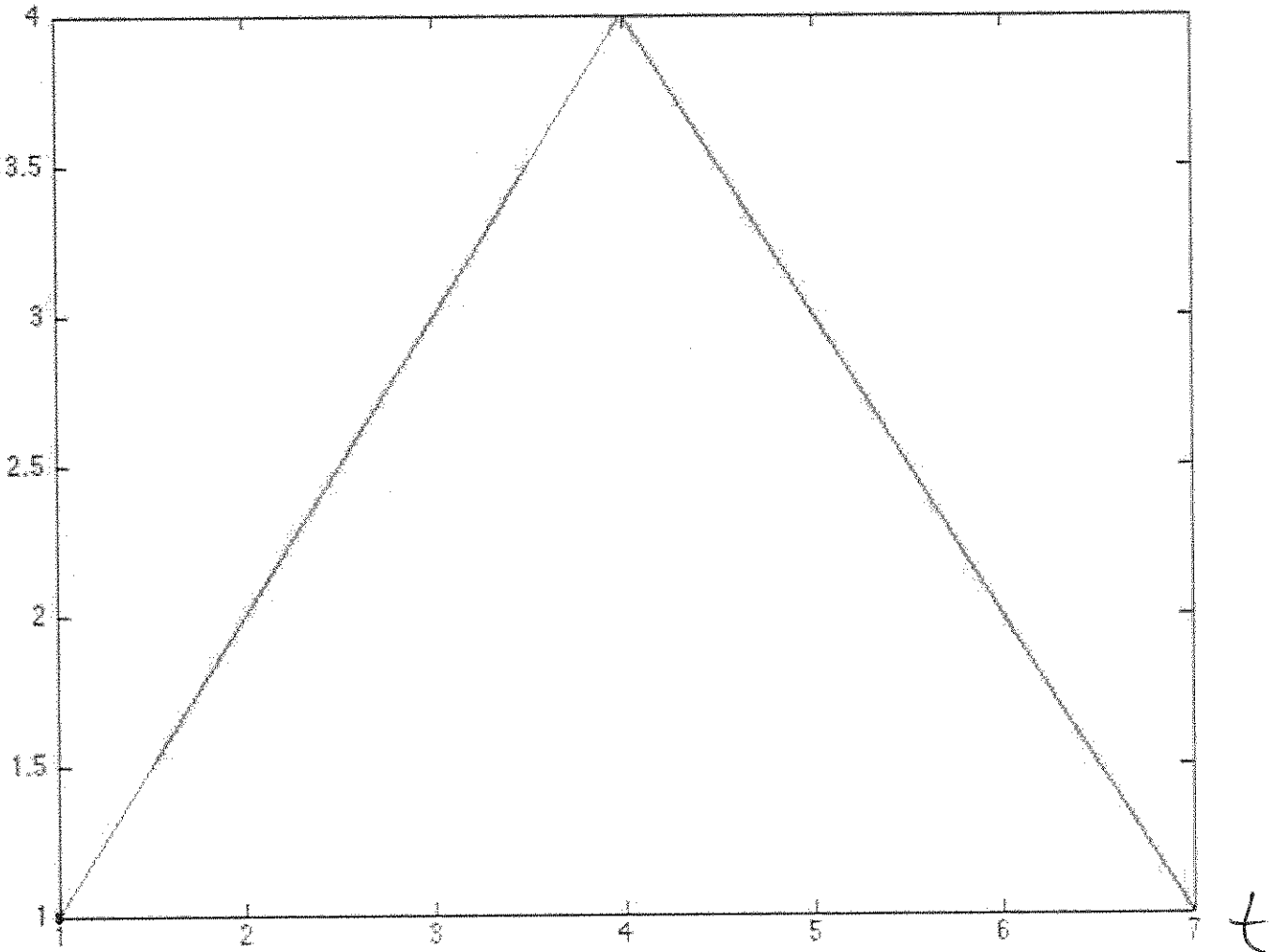
$$x(t) = u(t) - u(t-4)$$



$x * x$



$y(t)$

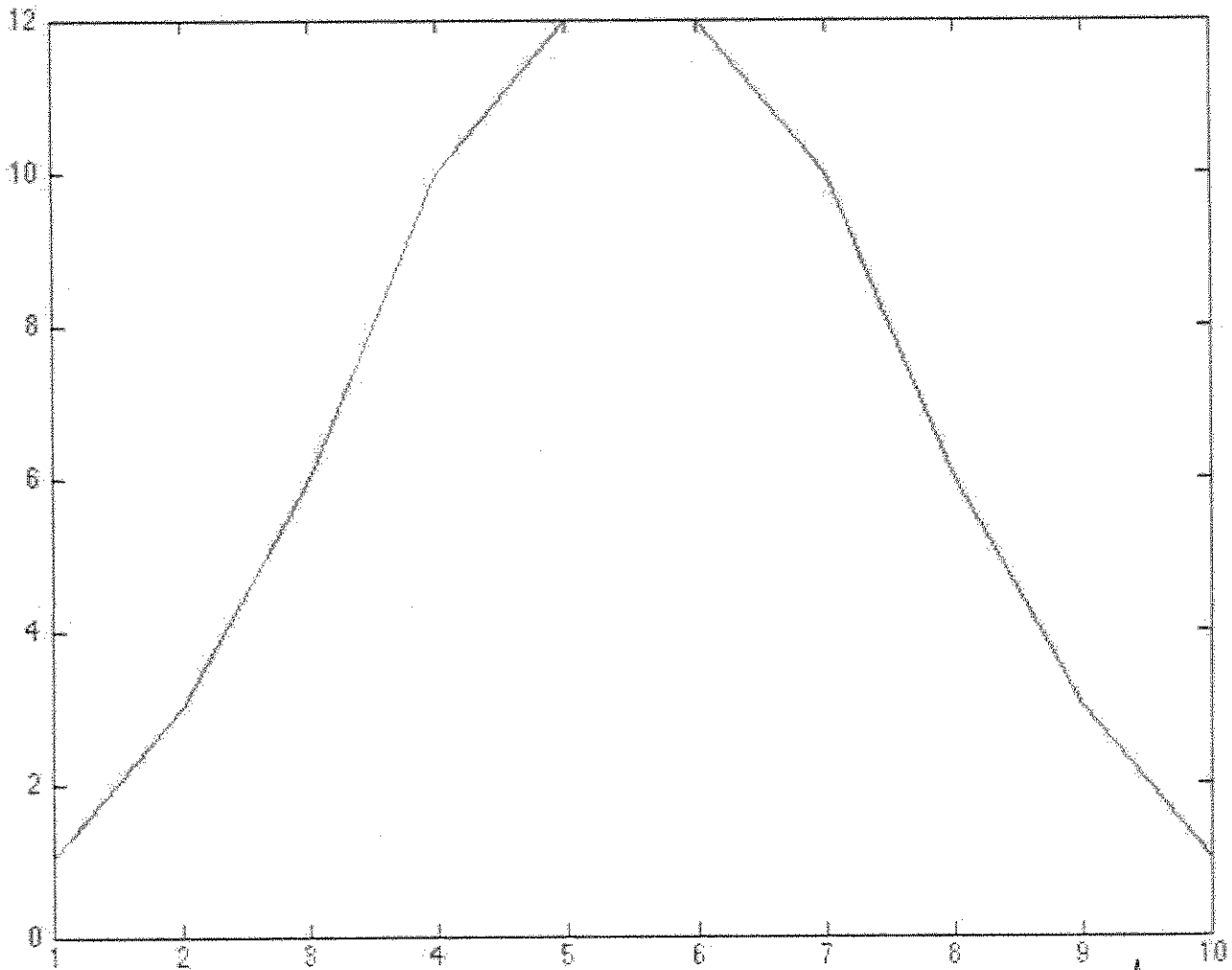


$$y = [1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 2, 1]$$

samples at $t = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$

$$= [x * x(1), x * x(2), x * x(3), x * x(4), x * x(5), x * x(6), x * x(7)]$$

#2 (b) plot: It is more like a
quadratic function! It only looks piecewise
linear because of how it's plotted...



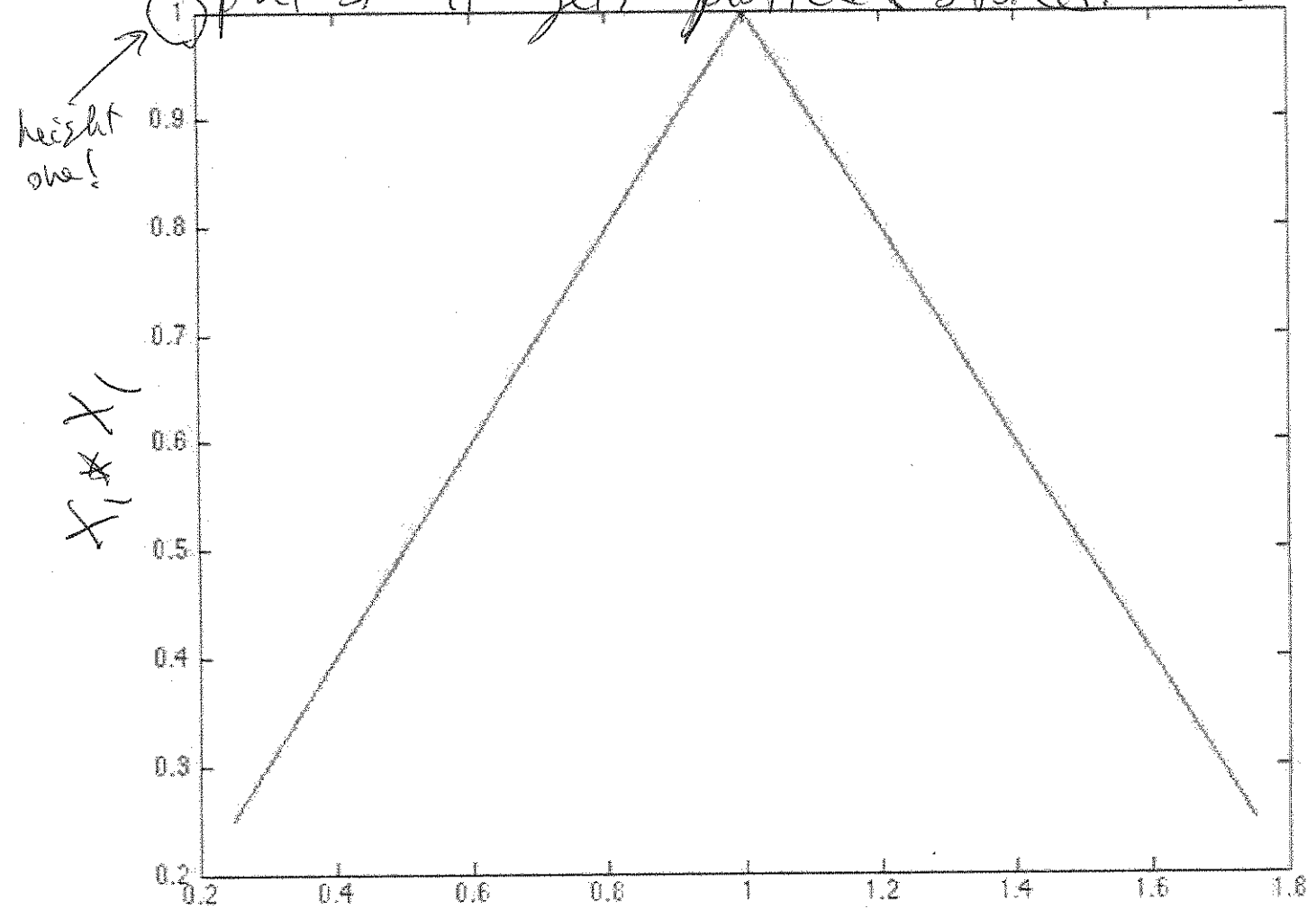
~ Only part of the total time duration of $(x \times x) \times x$
is plotted!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The true time duration} &= \text{time duration of } x \\ &+ \text{time duration of } y \\ &= 4 + 8 = \boxed{12} \end{aligned}$$

plot for $\#1$ C1: $x_1(t) = u(t) - u(t-1)$.

→ this is the plot of $\frac{1}{4} \cdot \text{conv}(x_1, x_2)$

→ correct time duration is $\boxed{2}$. Only part of it gets plotted & stored.



→ Multiplying by $\frac{1}{4}$ gets the plot correct because our time spacing is $\frac{1}{4}$!

③ $y(t) = \int_0^t e^{-\tau} x(t-\tau) d\tau$

a) $h(t) = \int_0^t e^{-\tau} \delta(t-\tau) d\tau$
 $= \int_0^t e^{-\tau} \delta(t-\tau) d\tau$
 $= e^{-t} \int_0^t \delta(t-\tau) d\tau$
 $= e^{-t} u(t)$

b) Yes, $h(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$

c) $y(t) = u(t+1) * e^{-t} u(t)$
 $= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\tau} u(\tau) u(t-\tau+1) d\tau$
 $= \int_0^{t+1} e^{-\tau} u(t-\tau+1) d\tau$
 $= \int_0^{t+1} e^{-\tau} d\tau = -e^{-\tau} \Big|_0^{t+1} = 1 - e^{-(t+1)}$
 $= (1 - e^{-(t+1)}) u(t+1)$

d) $h(t) - h(t+1) = h_{new}(t)$

$h_{new}(t) = h(t) - h(t-1)$
 $= e^{-t} u(t) - e^{-(t-1)} u(t-1)$

e) $y_{new}(t) = h_{new}(t) * u(t+1)$
 $= h(t) * u(t+1) - h(t-1) * u(t+1)$ use shift

