

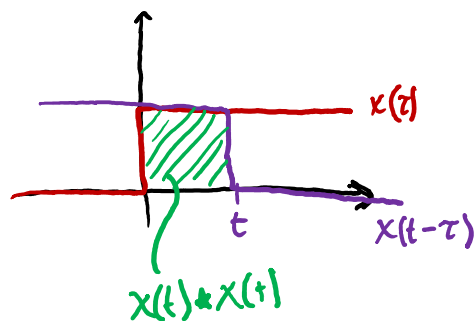
FIGURE 14.67 Math

Graphical

77. With respect to the functions $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ as plotted in Fig. 14.67, use Eq. [36] to obtain (a) $x(t) * x(t)$; (b) $y(t) * \delta(t)$.

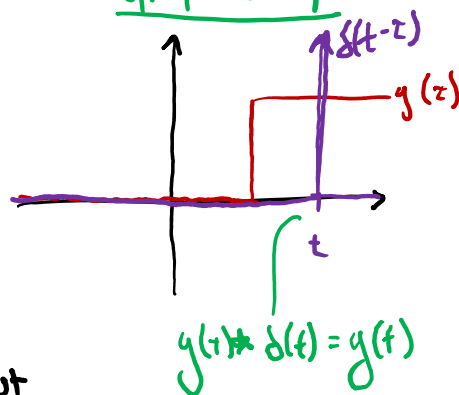
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a) } x(t) * x(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t-\tau)x(\tau) d\tau \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(t-\tau)u(\tau) d\tau \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} u(t-\tau) d\tau \\
 &= t u(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

Graphically



$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b) } y(t) * \delta(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t-\tau)3u(\tau-1) d\tau \\
 &= 3u(t-1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Graphically



3rd option for (b)

since convolution is commutative, we can consider either signal to be the input to some system, and the other signal is its impulse response. If we assign

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) &\rightarrow h(t) \\
 \delta(t) &\rightarrow \text{input}
 \end{aligned}$$

then the output must be $y(t)$, by definition.