

- Duality

We have,

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(t)\} = F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt \quad (165)$$

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{F(\omega)\} = f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega)e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

Replacing  $t$  by  $-t$  in the second relationship of (165), we obtain,

$$2\pi f(-t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega)e^{-j\omega t} d\omega \quad (166)$$

By interchanging the role of  $t$  and  $\omega$  in (166) and comparing the result with the first relationship in (165), we obtain,

$$\mathcal{F}\{F(t)\} = 2\pi f(-\omega) \quad (167)$$

An example of such duality property is shown in Fig. 13.

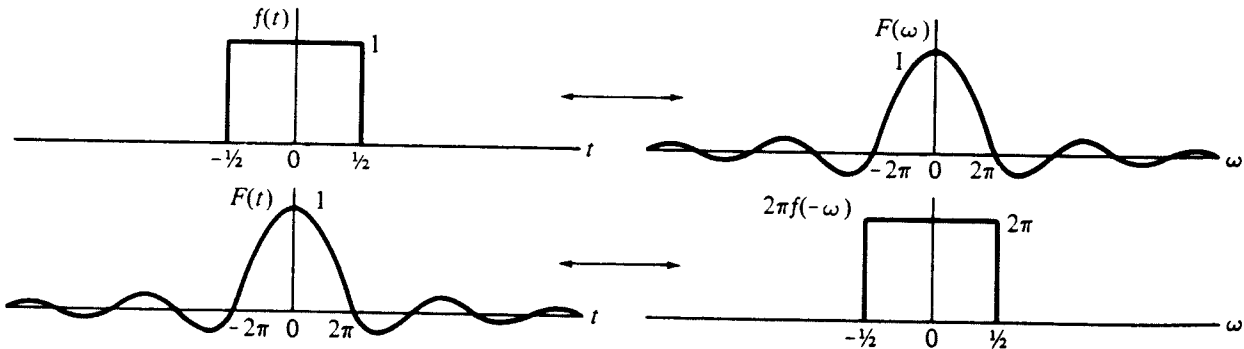


Figure 13: Duality of the Fourier transformation.

- **Time scaling**

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(at)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(at)e^{-j\omega t} dt \quad (168)$$

Using the change of variable  $x = at$ , we obtain,

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(at)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-j\omega x/a} dx/a = \frac{1}{a}F\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right) \quad a > 0 \quad (169)$$

When  $a$  is negative, the limits of the integral are reversed when we apply the change of the variable so that,

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(at)\} = -\frac{1}{a}F\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right) \quad a < 0 \quad (170)$$

or in general, we have,

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(at)\} = \frac{1}{|a|}F\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right) \quad (171)$$

If  $a$  is positive and greater than unity,  $f(at)$  is a compressed version of  $f(t)$  and its spectral density is expanded in frequency by  $1/a$ . In this case, the magnitude of the spectral density decreases and this is necessary to keep the total energy constant.

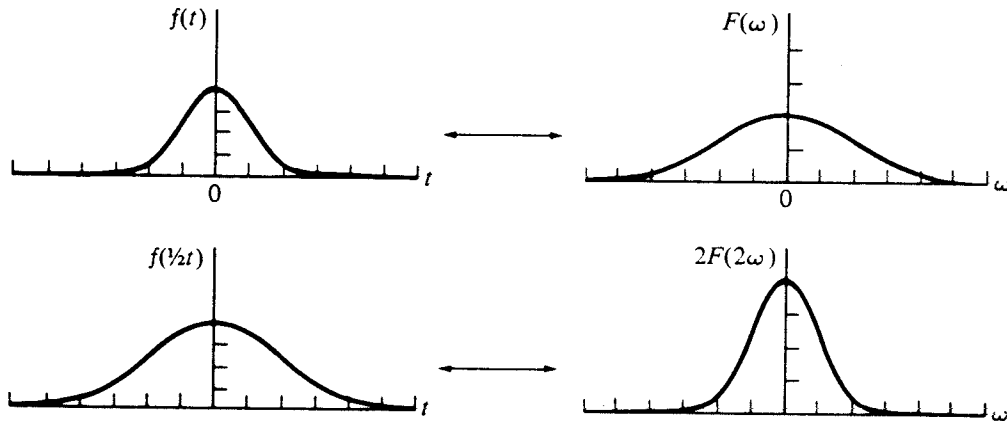


Figure 14: Effect of time scaling on Fourier transformation.

- **Time shift**

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(t - t_0)\} = ? \quad (172)$$

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(t - t_0)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t - t_0) e^{-j\omega t} dt \quad (173)$$

Let  $x = t - t_0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}\{f(t - t_0)\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-j\omega(x+t_0)} dx \\ &= e^{-j\omega t_0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-j\omega x} dx \\ &= e^{-j\omega t_0} F(\omega) \end{aligned} \quad (174)$$

• Frequency shift

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(t) e^{j\omega_0 t}\} = ? \quad (175)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}\{f(t) e^{j\omega_0 t}\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{j\omega_0 t} e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-j(\omega - \omega_0)t} dt \\ &= F(\omega - \omega_0) \end{aligned} \quad (176)$$

$$f(t) \cos \omega_0 t = \frac{1}{2} f(t) [e^{j\omega_0 t} + e^{-j\omega_0 t}] \quad (177)$$

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(t) \cos(\omega_0 t)\} = \frac{1}{2} [F(\omega + \omega_0) + F(\omega - \omega_0)] \quad (178)$$

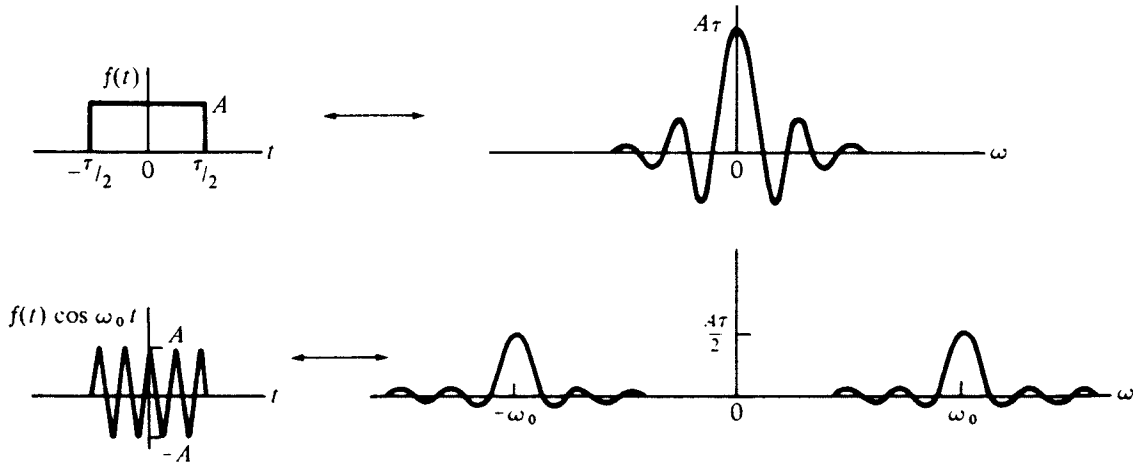


Figure 15: Frequency shifting property of multiplication by a sinusoid.

- Differentiation and Integration

$$\mathcal{F}\left\{\frac{d}{dt}f(t)\right\}=? \quad (179)$$

We have,

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega)e^{j\omega t}d\omega \quad (180)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}f(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega)e^{j\omega t}d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dt}[F(\omega)e^{j\omega t}]d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} j\omega F(\omega)e^{j\omega t}d\omega \end{aligned} \quad (181)$$

Comparing with the general definition of the Fourier transform, we obtain,

$$\mathcal{F}\left\{\frac{d}{dt}f(t)\right\} = j\omega F(\omega) \quad (182)$$

It is seen that the time differentiation enhances the high frequency components of a signal.

Similarly,

$$\mathcal{F}\left\{\int_{-\infty}^t f(\tau)d\tau\right\} = \frac{1}{j\omega}F(\omega) + \pi F(0)\delta(\omega) \quad (183)$$

where

$$F(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)dt \quad (184)$$

It is seen that the time integration suppresses the high frequency components of a signal.

Example: We want to compute the Fourier transform of a Trapezoidal pulse using the differentiation property (refer to Fig. 16).

Computing the Fourier transform of the second derivative, we have,

$$(j\omega)^2 F(\omega) = \frac{A}{\tau} (e^{j2\omega\tau} - e^{j\omega\tau} - e^{-j\omega\tau} + e^{-j2\omega\tau}) \quad (185)$$

or,

$$F(\omega) = \frac{A}{(j\omega)^2\tau} (e^{j2\omega\tau} - e^{j\omega\tau} - e^{-j\omega\tau} + e^{-j2\omega\tau}) \quad (186)$$

After simplifying, we get,

$$F(\omega) = A\tau \text{Sa}^2(\omega\tau/2)[1 + 2 \cos \omega\tau] \quad (187)$$

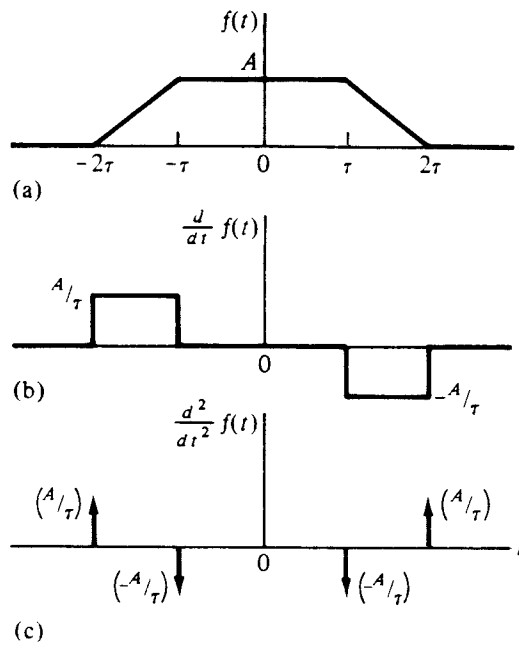


Figure 16: Trapezoidal signal and its derivatives.

## 4.5 Time convolution

Consider a system  $\mathcal{T}$ . The impulse response of  $\mathcal{T}$  is defined as,

$$\mathcal{T}\{\delta(t - \tau)\} = h(t, \tau) \quad (188)$$

Time-invariant system:

$$\mathcal{T}\{\delta(t - \tau)\} = h(t - \tau) \quad (189)$$

We know that a function  $f(t)$  can be written as,

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)\delta(t - \tau)d\tau \quad (190)$$

The output of the system to this input is,

$$\begin{aligned} g(t) &= \mathcal{T}\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)\delta(t - \tau)d\tau\right\} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)\mathcal{T}\{\delta(t - \tau)\}d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)h(t, \tau)d\tau \end{aligned} \quad (191)$$

Time invariant system:

$$g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau \quad (192)$$

**Definition of Convolution Integral:**

$$f(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau \quad (193)$$

Step response of linear, time-invariant system:

$$g(t) = h(t) * u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)u(t - \tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^t h(\tau)d\tau \quad (194)$$

**Basic result:**

If,

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(t)\} = F(\omega) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{F}\{h(t)\} = H(\omega) \quad (195)$$

then,

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(t) * h(t)\} = F(\omega)H(\omega) \quad (196)$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}\{f(t) * h(t)\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [f(t) * h(t)]e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau \right] e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau) \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t - \tau)e^{-j\omega t} dt \right] d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)\mathcal{F}\{h(t - \tau)\}d\tau \end{aligned} \quad (197)$$

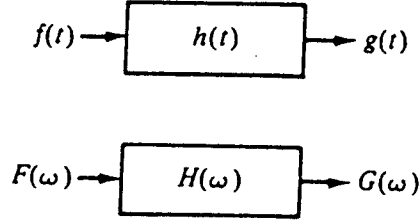
We know that,  $\mathcal{F}\{h(t - \tau)\} = H(\omega)e^{-j\omega\tau}$ . Substituting, we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}\{f(t) * h(t)\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)H(\omega)e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau \\ &= H(\omega) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau \\ &= H(\omega)F(\omega) \end{aligned} \quad (198)$$

**Linear systems:**

$$g(t) = f(t) * h(t) \quad (199)$$

$$G(\omega) = F(\omega)H(\omega)$$



Assume that,

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(\omega) &= |F(\omega)|e^{j\Theta_F(\omega)} \\
 H(\omega) &= |H(\omega)|e^{j\Theta_H(\omega)} \\
 G(\omega) &= |G(\omega)|e^{j\Theta_G(\omega)}
 \end{aligned} \tag{200}$$

Then, we have,

$$|G(\omega)|e^{j\Theta_G(\omega)} = |F(\omega)|e^{j\Theta_F(\omega)}|H(\omega)|e^{j\Theta_H(\omega)} \tag{201}$$

This results in,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |G(\omega)| &= |F(\omega)||H(\omega)| \\
 \Theta_G(\omega) &= \Theta_F(\omega) + \Theta_H(\omega)
 \end{aligned} \tag{202}$$

- Frequency Convolution

If,

$$\mathcal{F}\{f_1(t)\} = F_1(\omega), \quad \mathcal{F}\{f_2(t)\} = F_2(\omega). \tag{203}$$

then,

$$\mathcal{F}\{f_1(t)f_2(t)\} = \frac{1}{2\pi}[F_1(\omega) * F_2(\omega)] \tag{204}$$

$$F_1(\omega) * F_2(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_1(u)F_2(\omega - u)du \tag{205}$$

Proof: Similar to the case of the time convolution shown earlier.

## 4.6 Some convolutional relationships

### 4.6.1 Graphic interpretation of convolution

The convolution,

$$g(t) = f_1(t) * f_2(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(\tau) f_2(t - \tau) d\tau \quad (206)$$

can be computed using the following steps:

1. Replace  $t$  by  $\tau$  in  $f_1(t)$  resulting in  $f_1(\tau)$ .
2. Replace  $t$  by  $-\tau$  in  $f_2(t)$  resulting in  $f_2(-\tau)$ . This folds the function  $f_2$  about the vertical axis.
3. Translate the entire frame of  $f_2(-\tau)$  by an amount of  $t$ . For negative  $t$  the shift is towards the negative  $\tau$  axis (and for positive  $t$  towards the positive  $\tau$  axis). This results in the function  $f_2(t - \tau)$ .
4. At any given relative shift  $t$ , compute the integral,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(\tau) f_2(t - \tau) d\tau \quad (207)$$

An example of these steps is shown in Fig. 17

### 4.6.2 Causality

For  $h(t)$  causal:

$$g(t) = f(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau) h(t - \tau) d\tau \quad (208)$$

Note that  $h(t - \tau) = 0$ , if  $t - \tau < 0$  ( $\tau > t$ ). Reflecting this fact in (208), we obtain,

$$g(t) = f(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t f(\tau) h(t - \tau) d\tau \quad (209)$$

For  $f(t)$ ,  $h(t)$  causal, we have  $h(t - \tau) = 0$ , if  $t - \tau < 0$  ( $\tau > t$ ) and  $f(t) = 0$ , if  $t < 0$ .

Reflecting these facts in (208), we obtain,

$$g(t) = f(t) * h(t) = \int_0^t f(\tau) h(t - \tau) d\tau \quad (210)$$



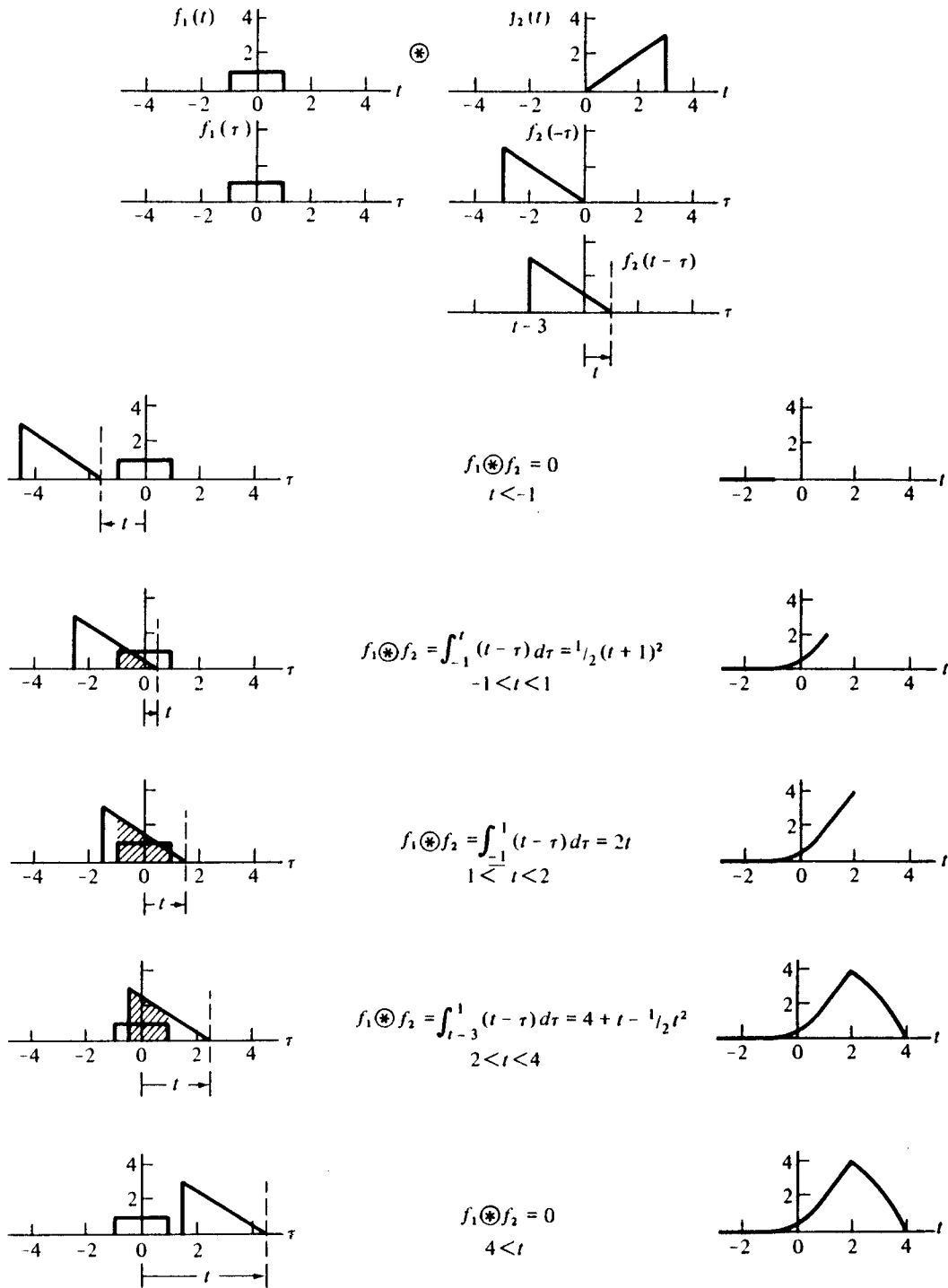


Figure 17: Graphic interpretation of the convolution of a rectangular and a triangular pulse.

### 4.6.3 Commutative law

$$f_1(t) * f_2(t) = f_2(t) * f_1(t) \quad (211)$$

Proof:

$$F_1(\omega)F_2(\omega) = F_2(\omega)F_1(\omega) \quad (212)$$

### 4.6.4 Distributive law

$$f_1(t) * [f_2(t) + f_3(t)] = f_1(t) * f_2(t) + f_1(t) * f_3(t) \quad (213)$$

Proof:

$$F_1(\omega)[F_2(\omega) + F_3(\omega)] = F_1(\omega)F_2(\omega) + F_1(\omega)F_3(\omega) \quad (214)$$

### 4.6.5 Associative law

$$f_1(t) * [f_2(t) * f_3(t)] = [f_1(t) * f_2(t)] * f_3(t) \quad (215)$$

Proof:

$$F_1(\omega)[F_2(\omega)F_3(\omega)] = [F_1(\omega)F_2(\omega)]F_3(\omega) \quad (216)$$

## 4.7 Convolution involving singularity functions

$$u(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau = \int_0^{\infty} h(t - \tau)d\tau \quad (217)$$

Let  $x = t - \tau$ , then,

$$u(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t h(x)dx \quad (218)$$

$$f(t) * \delta(t - t_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)\delta(t - \tau - t_0)d\tau = f(t - t_0) \quad (219)$$

$$\delta(t - t_0) * \delta(t - t_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau - t_0)\delta(t - \tau - t_1)d\tau = \delta(t - t_0 - t_1) \quad (220)$$