

# Inversion, Shifting and Scaling of signals

## Operations of CT Signals

1. Time Reversal  $y(t) = x(-t)$
2. Time Shifting  $y(t) = x(t-t_d)$
3. Amplitude Scaling  $y(t) = Bx(t)$
4. Addition  $y(t) = x_1(t) + x_2(t)$
5. Multiplication  $y(t) = x_1(t)x_2(t)$
6. Time Scaling  $y(t) = x(at)$

# 1. Time Reversal

Flips the signal about the y axis

$$y(t) = x(-t)$$

ex. Let  $x(t) = u(t)$ , and perform time reversal

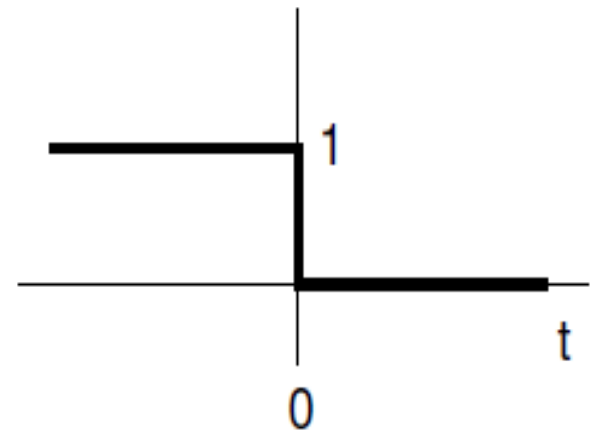
Solution: Find  $y(t) = u(-t)$

Let “a” be the argument of the step function  $u(a)$

$$u(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & a \geq 0 \\ 0 & a < 0 \end{cases}$$

Let  $a = -t$ , and plug in this value of “a”

$$u(-t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t \leq 0 \\ 0 & t > 0 \end{cases}$$



## 2. Time Shifting / Delay

$$y(t) = x(t - t_d)$$

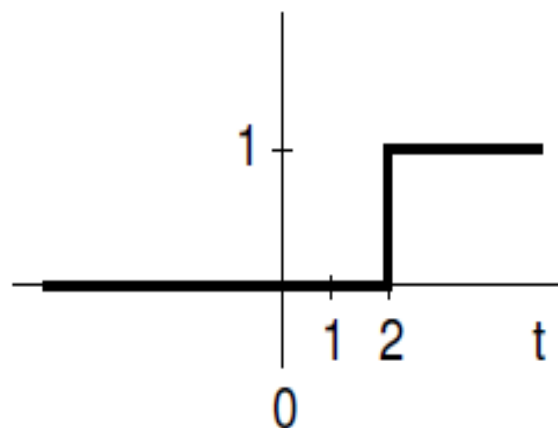
- Shifts the signal left or right
- Shifts the origin of the signal to  $t_d$
- Rule -Set  $(t - t_d) = 0$  (set the argument equal to zero)
- Then move the origin of  $x(t)$  to  $t_d$
- Effectively,  $y(t)$  equals what  $x(t)$  was  $t_d$  seconds ago

ex. Sketch  $y(t) = u(t - 2)$

Method 1

Let “a” be the argument of “u”

$$y(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & a \geq 0 \\ 0 & a < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 1 & t - 2 \geq 0 \\ 0 & t - 2 < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 1 & t \geq 2 \\ 0 & t < 2 \end{cases}$$



Method 2 (by inspection)

Simply shift the origin to  $t_d = 2$