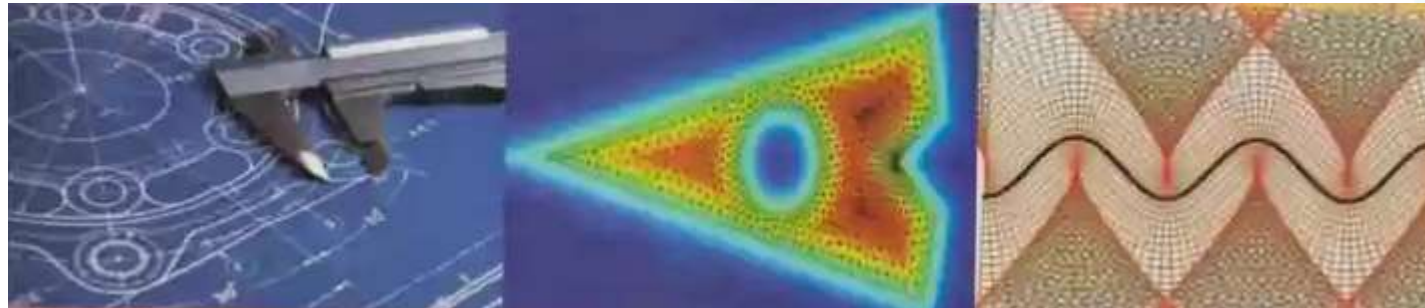


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Lecture Notes 6 & 7: Laplace Transform



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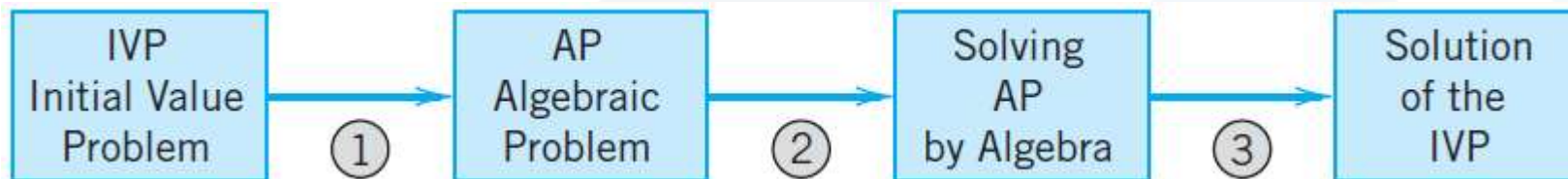
Chapter 4

Laplace Transform

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1. Definition of the Laplace Transform (LT)

- Laplace transform offer simple and efficient strategies for solving many science and engineering problems, including: **control systems**; **signal processing**; **mechanical networks**; **electrical networks** and **communications systems**.
- The purpose of the LT is to transform ordinary differential equations (ODEs) and related **initial value problems** (IVP) into **algebraic equations** (easier to solve).



- One of the advantages of using LT to solve DE is that all **initial conditions** are automatically included during the process of transformation, so one does not have to find the **homogeneous** solutions and the **particular** solution separately.

- More importantly, the use of the **unit step function** (Heaviside function) and **Dirac's delta** make the Laplace transform particularly powerful for problems with inputs that have **discontinuities** or represent **short impulses** or complicated **periodic functions**.
- **Definition:** The **Laplace transform** of a function $f(t)$, defined for $t \geq 0$, is defined as:
$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt$$
 provided that the integral converges
- The parameter s (the real part of s) must be positive and large enough to ensure that the integral converges.
- **Example 1:** Evaluate $\mathcal{L}\{1\}$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^a e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{s}, \quad s > 0$$

- **Example 2:** Evaluate $\mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\}$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{at}e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{s-a}, \quad s > a$$

- **Example 3:** Evaluate $\mathcal{L}\{\sin 2t\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{\sin 2t\} &= \int_0^{\infty} \sin 2te^{-st} dt = \frac{-e^{-st} \sin 2t}{s} \Big|_0^{\infty} + \frac{2}{s} \int_0^{\infty} \cos 2te^{-st} dt \\ &= \frac{2}{s} \int_0^{\infty} \cos 2te^{-st} dt, \quad s > 0 \\ &= \frac{2}{s} \left[\frac{-e^{-st} \cos 2t}{s} \Big|_0^{\infty} - \frac{2}{s} \int_0^{\infty} \sin 2te^{-st} dt \right] = \frac{2}{s^2} - \frac{4}{s^2} \mathcal{L}\{\sin 2t\} \\ \mathcal{L}\{\sin 2t\} &= \frac{2}{s^2 + 4}, \quad s > 0 \end{aligned}$$

- **Example 4:** Evaluate $\mathcal{L}\{erf(a/2\sqrt{t})\}$

Error function: $erf(t) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^t e^{-x^2} dx$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{erf\left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{t}}\right)\right\} = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} \left[\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{a/2\sqrt{t}} e^{-x^2} dx \right] dt \quad x = \frac{a}{2\sqrt{t}} \Rightarrow t = \frac{a^2}{4x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\left\{erf\left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{t}}\right)\right\} &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \int_0^{a^2/4x^2} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} \frac{1}{s} \left\{ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{a^2 s}{4x^2}\right) \right\} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{s} \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left[\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx - \int_0^\infty \exp\left\{-\left(x^2 + \frac{sa^2}{4x^2}\right)\right\} dx \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \exp \left\{ - \left(x^2 + \frac{\alpha^2}{x^2} \right) \right\} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{x^2} \right) \exp \left[- \left(x + \frac{\alpha}{x} \right)^2 + 2\alpha \right] dx$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{x^2} \right) \exp \left[- \left(x - \frac{\alpha}{x} \right)^2 - 2\alpha \right] dx$$

$$y = \left(x \pm \frac{\alpha}{x} \right) \Rightarrow dy = \left(1 \mp \frac{\alpha}{x^2} \right) dx, \quad \alpha = \frac{a\sqrt{s}}{2} \quad \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y^2} dy = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

$$\mathcal{L} \left\{ \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{t}} \right) \right\} = \frac{1}{s} \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left[\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-a\sqrt{s}} \right] = \frac{1}{s} [1 - e^{-a\sqrt{s}}]$$

Complementary error function $\operatorname{erfc}(t)$

$$\mathcal{L} \left\{ \operatorname{erfc} \left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{t}} \right) \right\} = \frac{1}{s} e^{-a\sqrt{s}} \quad \operatorname{erfc}(t) = 1 - \operatorname{erf}(t) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_t^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$$

- **Example 5:** The Laplace transform of the Gaussian function: $g(t) = e^{-a^2 t^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\left\{e^{-a^2 t^2}\right\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-a^2 t^2} e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-a^2 t^2 - st} dt = e^{s^2/4a^2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-a^2\left(1+s/2a^2\right)^2 t^2} dt \\ &= e^{s^2/4a^2} \int_{s/2a^2}^{\infty} e^{-a^2 u^2} du = \frac{1}{a} e^{s^2/4a^2} \int_{s/2a}^{\infty} e^{-v^2} dv\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{e^{-a^2 t^2}\right\} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2a} e^{s^2/4a^2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{s}{2a}\right)$$

$\mathcal{L}\{t^a\}$ when $a > -1$: the gamma function

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{t^a\right\} = \int_0^{\infty} t^a e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{s^{a+1}} \int_0^{\infty} x^a e^{-x} dx = \frac{\Gamma(a+1)}{s^{a+1}}, \quad s > 0$$

$$\Gamma(a) = \int_0^{\infty} x^{a-1} e^{-x} dx, \quad a > 0 \quad \Gamma(a) \text{ is the so-called } \mathbf{\text{gamma function}}$$

It can be shown that the gamma function satisfies the relation: $\Gamma(a+1) = a \Gamma(a)$

When a is a positive integer: $\mathcal{L}\{t^n\} = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{s^{a+1}} = \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right\} = \mathcal{L}\{t^{-1/2}\} = \frac{\Gamma(1/2)}{s^{1/2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{s}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(x)}{s^x} = \mathcal{L}\{t^{x-1}\} = \int_0^\infty t^{x-1} e^{-st} dt, \quad s > 0$$

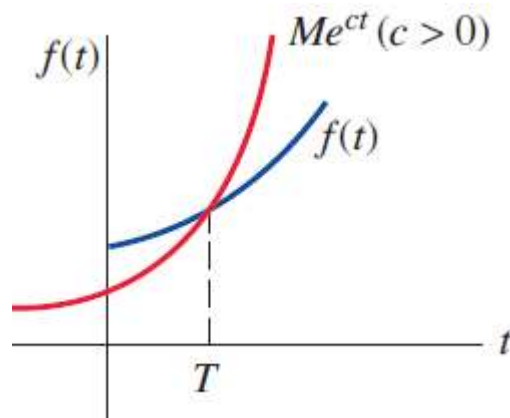
$$\Gamma(x) \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{s^x} = \int_0^\infty t^{x-1} \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = \int_0^\infty t^{x-1} \frac{e^{-t}}{1 - e^{-t}} dt = \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{x-1}}{e^t - 1} dt$$

$$\zeta(x) = \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{s^x} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(x)} \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{x-1}}{e^t - 1} dt \quad \zeta(x) \text{ is the so-called Riemann zeta function}$$

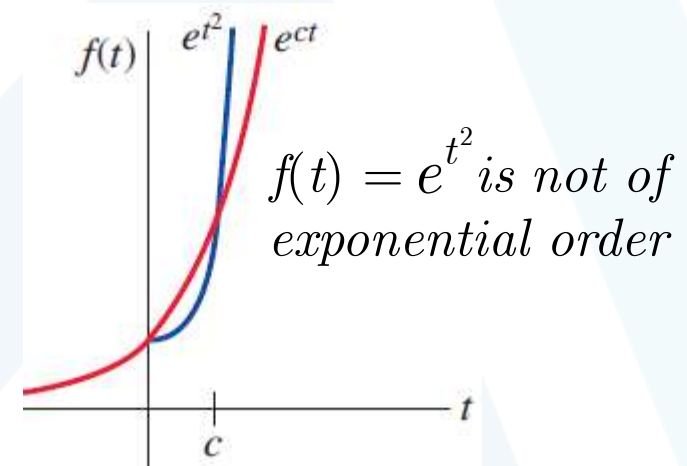
$$\zeta(2) = \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{s^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2)} \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{e^t - 1} dt = \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{e^t - 1} dt$$

Existence of Laplace Transforms

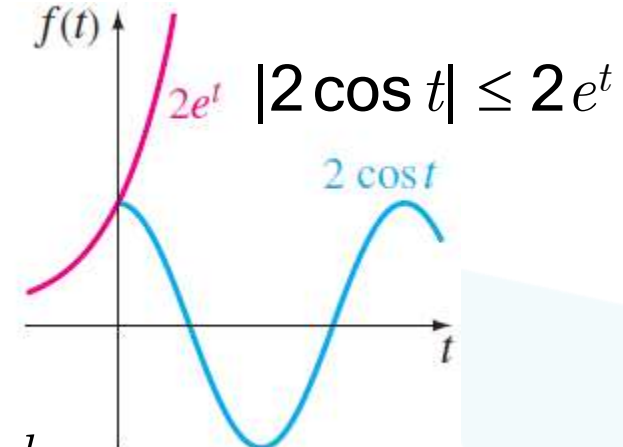
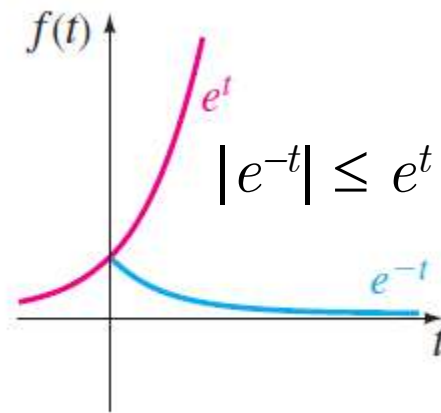
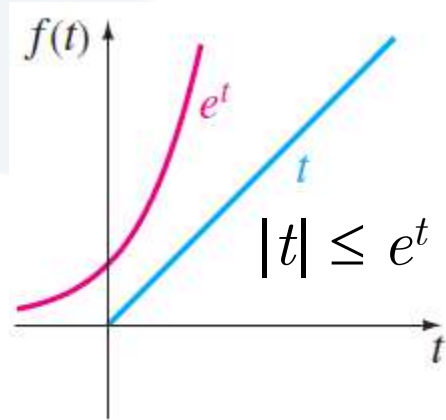
- **Definition:** A function f is said to be of **exponential order** if there exist constants $c, M > 0$, and $T > 0$ such that $|f(t)| \leq Me^{ct}$ for all $t > T$.
- If f is an **increasing** function, then the condition $|f(t)| \leq Me^{ct}$ for all $t > T$, simply states that the graph of f on the interval (T, ∞) **does not grow faster** than the graph of the exponential function Me^{ct} , where c is a positive constant.



Function f is of exponential order



$f(t) = e^{t^2}$ is not of exponential order



Three functions of exponential order

- **Theorem 1 (Sufficient Conditions for Existence):** If $f(t)$ is **piecewise** continuous on the interval $[0, \infty)$ and of exponential order, then $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$ exists for $s > c$.
- **Note:** The function $1/\sqrt{t}$ is **not** of **exponential order**, because of its behavior at $t = 0$. However, we show in **Example 5** that its Laplace Transform exists for all $s > 0$ ($\mathcal{L}\{1/\sqrt{t}\} = \sqrt{\pi/s}$). Thus Theorem 1 provides **sufficient** but **not necessary** conditions for the existence of the LT.

Linearity of the Laplace Transform

- **Theorem 2 (Linearity of the LT):** The LT is a linear operation; that is, for any functions $f(t)$ and $g(t)$ whose LT exist and any constants a and b , the Laplace transform of $af + bg$ exists, and $\mathcal{L}\{af(t) + bg(t)\} = a\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} + b\mathcal{L}\{g(t)\}$
- **Example 6:** Laplace transform of sin and cos

$$\sin \omega t = \frac{1}{2i} \left[e^{i\omega t} - e^{-i\omega t} \right] \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}\{\sin \omega t\} = \frac{1}{2i} \left[\mathcal{L}\{e^{i\omega t}\} - \mathcal{L}\{e^{-i\omega t}\} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sin \omega t\} = \frac{1}{2i} \left[\frac{1}{s - \omega i} - \frac{1}{s + \omega i} \right] = \frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}, \quad s > 0$$

$$\cos \omega t = \frac{1}{2} \left[e^{i\omega t} + e^{-i\omega t} \right] \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}\{\cos \omega t\} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\mathcal{L}\{e^{i\omega t}\} + \mathcal{L}\{e^{-i\omega t}\} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos \omega t\} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{s - \omega i} + \frac{1}{s + \omega i} \right] = \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}, \quad s > 0$$

- Theorem 3 (Behavior of $F(s)$ as $s \rightarrow \infty$):** If a function $f(t)$ is **piecewise** continuous on the interval $[0, \infty)$ and of exponential order with c specified in the definition and $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$, then $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} F(s) = 0$.

Some Functions $f(t)$ and Their Laplace Transforms $\mathcal{L}(f)$

	$f(t)$	$\mathcal{L}(f)$	
1	1	$1/s$	$s > 0$
2	$t^n, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$	$n!/s^{n+1}$	$s > 0$
3	$t^a, a > 0$	$\Gamma(a + 1)/s^{a+1}$	$s > 0$
4	e^{at}	$1/(s - a)$	$s > a$
5	$t^n e^{at}$	$n!/(s - a)^{n+1}$	$s > a$

	$f(t)$	$\mathcal{L}(f)$	
6	$\cos \omega t$	$s/(s^2 + \omega^2)$	$s > 0$
7	$\sin \omega t$	$\omega/(s^2 + \omega^2)$	$s > 0$
8	$\cosh at$	$s/(s^2 - a^2)$	$s > a $
9	$\sinh at$	$a/(s^2 - a^2)$	$s > a $
10	$e^{at} \cos \omega t$	$\frac{s - a}{(s - a)^2 + \omega^2}$	$s > a$
11	$e^{at} \sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{(s - a)^2 + \omega^2}$	$s > a$

2. The Inverse Transform

Inverse Transforms

- If $F(s)$ represents the Laplace transform of a function $f(t)$, that is, $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$, we then say $f(t)$ is the **inverse Laplace transform** of $F(s)$ and write $f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$. For example:

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s}\right\} = 1, \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2}\right\} = t, \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+2}\right\} = e^{-2t}$$

- **Theorem 4 (Inversion formula):** The inversion formula for the Laplace transform is

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\} = f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} F(s) e^{st} ds$$

where we will choose c so that all of the singularities of $F(s)$ have $Re\{s\} < c$.

- Example 7:** Find the inverse LT of $F(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+1)}$

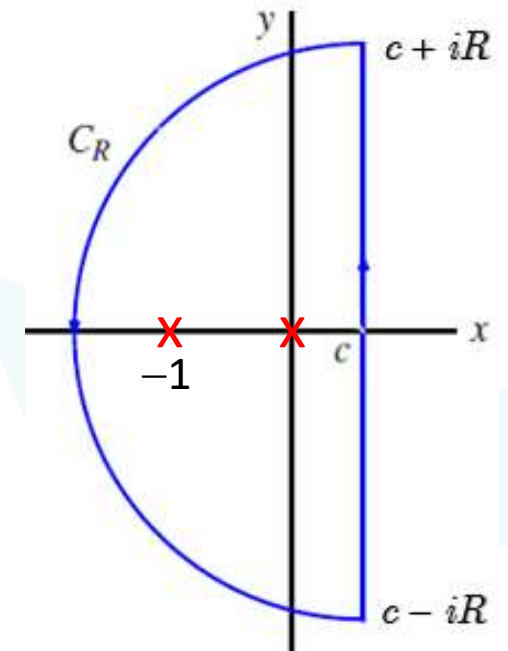
$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \frac{1}{s(s+1)} ds$$

If $t \geq 0$, we can close the contour (vertical line to the right of the singularities) to the left. The contribution of the integral around the semicircle vanishes as its radius $R \rightarrow \infty$, giving:

$$\text{Res}(F(s), 0) = 1 \quad \text{Res}(F(s), -1) = -e^{-t}$$

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} 2\pi i [\text{Res}(F(s), 0) + \text{Res}(F(s), -1)] = 1 - e^{-t}$$

- Note:** Partial fractions play an important role in finding inverse Laplace transforms.



- **Example 8:** Partial Fractions and Linearity

Evaluate $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s^2 + 6s + 9}{(s - 1)(s - 2)(s + 4)} \right\}$

$$\frac{s^2 + 6s + 9}{(s - 1)(s - 2)(s + 4)} = -\frac{16/5}{s - 1} + \frac{25/6}{s - 2} + \frac{1/30}{s + 4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s^2 + 6s + 9}{(s - 1)(s - 2)(s + 4)} \right\} &= -\frac{16}{5} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s - 1} \right\} + \frac{25}{6} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s - 2} \right\} + \frac{1}{30} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s + 4} \right\} \\ &= -\frac{16}{5} e^t + \frac{25}{6} e^{2t} + \frac{1}{30} e^{-4t} \end{aligned}$$

- **Example 9:** Evaluate

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2}{4 + (s - 1)^2} \right\}, \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 3} \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2}{4 + (s - 1)^2} \right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2}{(s - 1)^2 + 2^2} \right\} = e^t \sin 2t$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 3} \right\} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(s + 1)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right\} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-t} \sin \sqrt{2}t$$

3. Laplace Transform Properties

Transforms of Derivatives

- Theorem 5 (Transform of a Derivative):** If $f, f', \dots, f^{(n-1)}$ are continuous on $[0, \infty)$ and are of exponential order and if $f^{(n)}(t)$ is piecewise continuous on $[0, \infty)$, then: $\mathcal{L}\{f^{(n)}(t)\} = s^n F(s) - s^{n-1}f(0) - s^{n-2}f'(0) - \dots - f^{(n-1)}(0)$

where $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$.

In particular,

$$\mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\} = sF(s) - f(0)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f''(t)\} = s^2F(s) - sf(0) - f'(0)$$

Solving Linear ODEs

$$a_n \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}} + \cdots + a_0 y = g(t), \quad y(0) = y_0, y'(0) = y_1, \dots, y^{(n-1)}(0) = y_{n-1}$$

where the coefficients a_i , $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1} are constants.

$$a_n \mathcal{L} \left\{ \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} \right\} + a_{n-1} \mathcal{L} \left\{ \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dt^{n-1}} \right\} + \cdots + a_0 \mathcal{L} \{y\} = \mathcal{L} \{g(t)\}$$

$$a_n [s^n Y(s) - s^{n-1} y(0) - \cdots - y^{(n-1)}(0)] \quad \text{where } \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\} = Y(s) \text{ and } \mathcal{L}\{g(t)\} = G(s)$$

$$+ a_{n-1} [s^{n-1} Y(s) - s^{n-2} y(0) - \cdots - y^{(n-2)}(0)] + \cdots + a_0 Y(s) = G(s)$$

- **Note:** The LT of a linear DE with constant coefficients becomes an algebraic equation in $Y(s)$.

$$Y(s) = \frac{Q(s)}{P(s)} + \frac{G(s)}{P(s)}, \quad P(s) = a_n s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \dots + a_0, \quad \deg Q(s) \leq n - 1$$

$Q(s)$ is a polynomial consisting of the various products of a_i , $i = 1, \dots, n$, and the initial conditions y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1} .

- **Example 10:** Solving a First-Order IVP

Use the LT to solve the initial-value problem $\frac{dy}{dt} + 3y = 13\sin 2t, \quad y(0) = 6$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{dy}{dt}\right\} + 3\mathcal{L}\{y\} = 13\mathcal{L}\{\sin 2t\}$$

$$sY(s) - 6 + 3Y(s) = \frac{26}{s^2 + 4} \Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{6s^2 + 50}{(s + 3)(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{8}{s + 3} + \frac{-2s + 6}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$y(t) = 8\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+3}\right\} - 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2+4}\right\} + 3\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2}{s^2+4}\right\}$$

$$y(t) = 8e^{-3t} - 2\cos 2t + 3\sin 2t$$

■ **Example 11:** Solving a Second-Order IVP

Solve $y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^{-4t}$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 5$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} - 3\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 2\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{e^{-4t}\}$$

$$s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0) - 3[sY(s) - y(0)] + 2Y(s) = \frac{1}{s+4}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{s+2}{(s-1)(s-2)} + \frac{1}{(s-1)(s-2)(s+4)} = \frac{s^2+6s+9}{(s-1)(s-2)(s+4)}$$

$$y(t) = -\frac{16}{5}e^t + \frac{25}{6}e^{2t} + \frac{1}{30}e^{-4t}$$

- The Laplace transform is well adapted to **linear dynamical systems**

$$Y(s) = \frac{Q(s)}{P(s)} + \frac{G(s)}{P(s)} \Rightarrow y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{Q(s)}{P(s)} \right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{G(s)}{P(s)} \right\} = y_0(t) + y_1(t)$$

- If the input is $g(t) = 0$, then the solution of the problem is $y_0(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Q(s)/P(s)\}$. This solution is called the **zero-input response** of the system.
- The function $y_1(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{G(s)/P(s)\}$ is the output due to the input $g(t)$ with zero initial conditions), which is called the **zero-state response** of the system.

- In **example 11**: $y_0(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s+2}{(s-1)(s-2)} \right\} = -3e^t + 4e^{2t}$

$$y_1(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(s-1)(s-2)(s+4)} \right\} = -\frac{1}{5}e^t + \frac{1}{6}e^{2t} + \frac{1}{30}e^{-4t}$$

Translation on the s -axis

- Theorem 6 (First Translation Theorem):** If $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$ exists for $s > c$ and a is any real number, then:

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{at} f(t)\} = F(s - a) \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s - a)\} = e^{at} f(t)$$

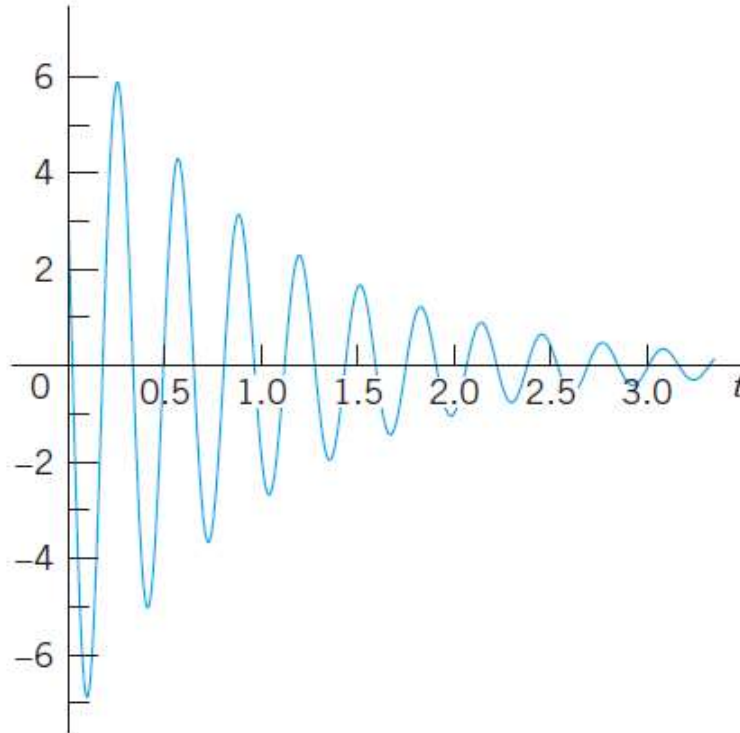
for $s > a + c$.

- Example 12: Damped Vibrations**

Find the inverse of the transform $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{3s - 137}{s^2 + 2s + 401}$

$$f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{3(s + 1) - 140}{(s + 1)^2 + 400} \right\} = 3\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s + 1}{(s + 1)^2 + 20^2} \right\} - 7\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{20}{(s + 1)^2 + 20^2} \right\}$$

$$f(t) = e^{-t} (3\cos 20t - 7\sin 20t)$$



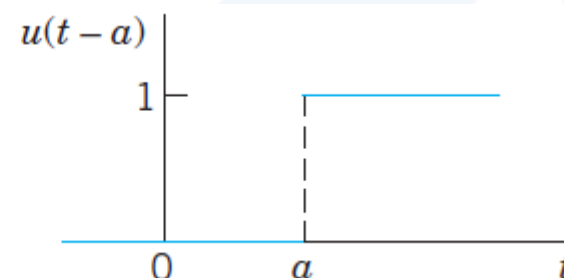
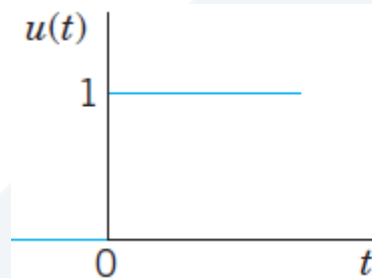
- We shall now reach the point where the Laplace transform shows its real power in applications. We shall introduce two auxiliary functions, the **unit step function** or **Heaviside function** $u(t - a)$ and **Dirac's delta** $\delta(t - a)$.

- These functions are suitable for solving ODEs with complicated right sides of considerable engineering interest, such as **single waves**, inputs that are **discontinuous** or act for some time only, periodic inputs more general than just cosine and sine, or **impulsive forces** acting for an instant.

Unit Step Function

- Definition:** The unit step function $u(t - a)$ is defined to be

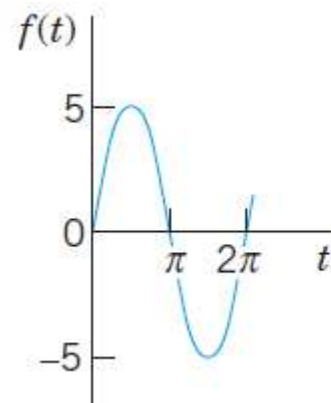
$$u(t - a) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < a \\ 1, & t > a \end{cases}, \quad a \geq 0$$



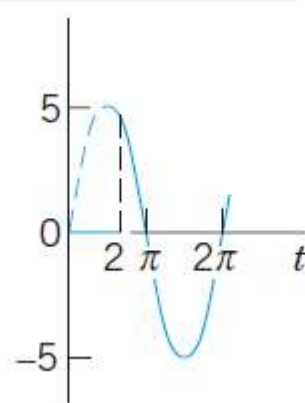
$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t-a)\} = \int_0^{\infty} u(t-a)e^{-st} dt = \int_a^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = -\frac{e^{-st}}{s} \Big|_a^{\infty} = \frac{e^{-as}}{s}, \quad s > 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = \frac{1}{s}, \quad s > 0$$

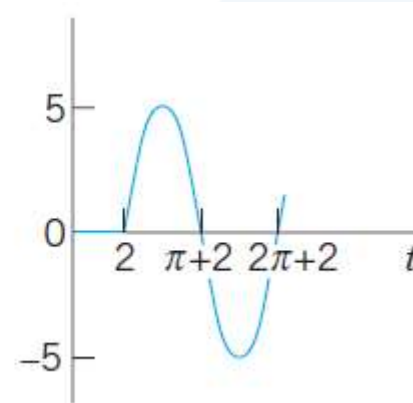
- **Note:** Let $f(t) = 0$ for all negative t . Then $f(t-a)u(t-a)$ with $a > 0$ is $f(t)$ **shifted** (translated) to the right by the amount a .



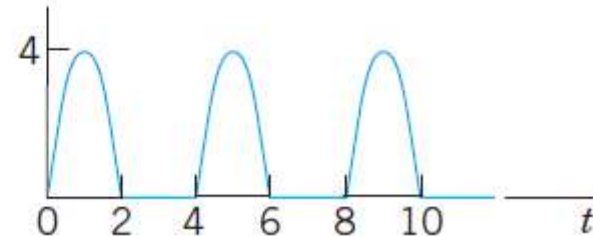
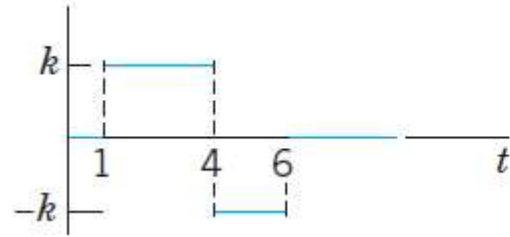
$$f(t) = 5 \sin t$$



$$f(t)u(t-2)$$



$$f(t-2)u(t-2)$$



$$k[u(t - 1) - 2u(t - 4) + u(t - 6)] \quad 4\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\pi t\right)[u(t) - u(t - 2) + u(t - 4) - u(t - 6) + \dots]$$

Translation on the t -axis

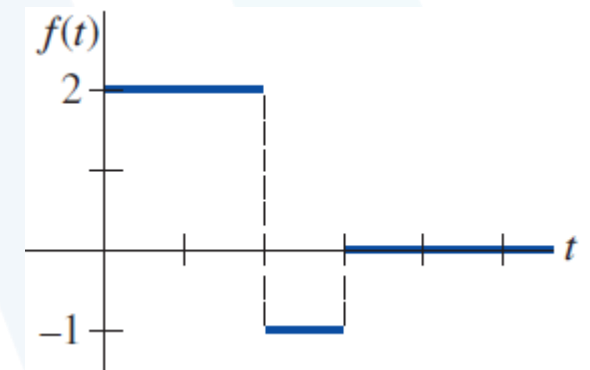
- Theorem 7 (Second Translation Theorem):** If $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$ and $a > 0$, then

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t - a)u(t - a)\} = e^{-as}F(s) \quad \text{or} \quad f(t - a)u(t - a) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-as}F(s)\}$$

for $s > c$.

- Example 13: Second Translation Theorem**

Find the Laplace transform of the function f whose graph is given in the figure beside.



$$f(t) = 2 - 3u(t - 2) + u(t - 3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} &= 2\mathcal{L}\{1\} - 3\mathcal{L}\{u(t - 2)\} + \mathcal{L}\{u(t - 3)\} \\ &= \frac{2}{s} - \frac{3e^{-2s}}{s} + \frac{e^{-3s}}{s}\end{aligned}$$

■ **Example 14:** An Initial-Value Problem

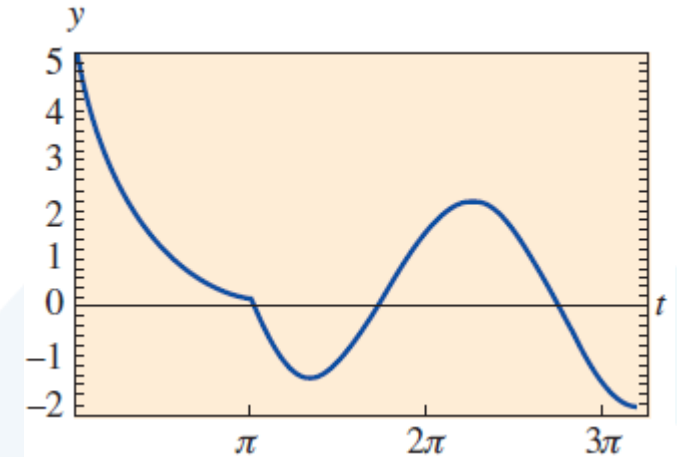
Solve $y' + y = f(t)$, $y(0) = 5$, where $f(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < \pi \\ 3\cos t, & t \geq \pi \end{cases}$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + \mathcal{L}\{y\} = 3\mathcal{L}\{\cos t u(t - \pi)\} = -3\mathcal{L}\{\cos(t - \pi) u(t - \pi)\}$$

$$sY(s) - y(0) + Y(s) = -3 \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} e^{-\pi s} \Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{5}{s + 1} - \frac{3s}{(s + 1)(s^2 + 1)} e^{-\pi s}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{5}{s + 1} - \frac{3}{2} \left[-\frac{1}{s + 1} e^{-\pi s} + \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} e^{-\pi s} + \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} e^{-\pi s} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) &= 5e^{-t} + \frac{3}{2}e^{-(t-\pi)}u(t-\pi) - \frac{3}{2}\sin(t-\pi)u(t-\pi) - \frac{3}{2}\cos(t-\pi)u(t-\pi) \\
 &= 5e^{-t} + \frac{3}{2}\left[e^{-(t-\pi)} + \sin t + \cos t\right]u(t-\pi) \\
 &= \begin{cases} 5e^{-t}, & 0 \leq t < \pi \\ 5e^{-t} + \frac{3}{2}\left[e^{-(t-\pi)} + \sin t + \cos t\right], & t \geq \pi \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$



Derivatives of Transforms

- Theorem 8 (Derivatives of Transforms):** If the function $f(t)$ is **piecewise** continuous on the interval $[0, \infty)$ and of exponential order with c specified in the definition and $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$ and $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, then:

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^n f(t)\} = (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n} F(s)$$

- **Example 15:** Evaluate $\mathcal{L}\{t \sin kt\}$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t \sin kt\} = -\frac{d}{ds} \mathcal{L}\{\sin kt\} = -\frac{d}{ds} \frac{k}{s^2 + k^2} = \frac{2ks}{(s^2 + k^2)^2}$$

- **Example 16:** An Initial-Value Problem Solve $ty'' + y' = t^3 + 1$, $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 1$

$$\mathcal{L}\{ty''\} = -\frac{d}{ds} \mathcal{L}\{y''\} = -\frac{d}{ds} (s^2 Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)) = -s^2 Y'(s) - 2s Y(s) + y(0)$$

$$-s^2 Y'(s) - 2s Y(s) + y(0) + s Y(s) - y(0) = \frac{6}{s^4} + \frac{1}{s}$$

$$s Y'(s) + Y(s) = -\frac{6}{s^5} - \frac{1}{s^2} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{ds} [s Y(s)] = -\frac{6}{s^5} - \frac{1}{s^2} \Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{s^5} + \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{c}{s}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{16} t^4 + t + c$$

$$y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow y(t) = \frac{1}{16} t^4 + t$$

Convolution

If functions f and g are piecewise continuous on the interval $[0, \infty)$, then the convolution of f and g , denoted by the symbol $f * g$, is a function defined by the integral:

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

- **Example 17:** Evaluate (a) $e^t * \sin t$ (b) $\mathcal{L}\{e^t * \sin t\}$ (c) $\sin t * \sin t$

$$(a) e^t * \sin t = \int_0^t e^\tau \sin(t - \tau)d\tau = \frac{1}{2}(-\sin t - \cos t + e^t)$$

$$(b) \mathcal{L}\{e^t * \sin t\} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{s - 1} = \frac{1}{(s - 1)(s^2 + 1)}$$

$$(c) \sin t * \sin t = \int_0^t \sin(\tau)\sin(t - \tau)d\tau = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t [\cos(2\tau - t) - \cos(t)]d\tau$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}t\cos t + \frac{1}{2}\sin t$$

Properties of Convolution

- Is **commutative**. For any two functions f and g , $f * g = g * f$.
- Is **associative**. For any functions f , g , and h , $(f * g) * h = f * (g * h)$.
- Is **distributive** with respect to addition. For any functions f , g , and h , $f * (g + h) = f * g + f * h$.
- **Theorem 9 (Convolution Theorem)**: If the functions $f(t)$ and $g(t)$ are piecewise continuous on $[0, \infty)$ and of exponential order with c as specified in the definition and $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$, $\mathcal{L}\{g(t)\} = G(s)$, then for $s > c$:

$$\mathcal{L}\{f * g\} = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \mathcal{L}\{g(t)\} = F(s)G(s)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)G(s)\} = f * g$$

From **Example 17**:

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^t * \sin t\} = \mathcal{L}\{e^t\} \mathcal{L}\{\sin t\} = \frac{1}{s-1} \frac{1}{s^2+1} = \frac{1}{(s-1)(s^2+1)}$$

Transform of an Integral

- When $g(t) = 1$, the convolution theorem implies that the Laplace transform of the integral of f is

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau\right\} = \frac{F(s)}{s} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{F(s)}{s}\right\} = \int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau$$

- Example 18**: An Integral Equation

Solve $f(t) = 3t^2 - e^{-t} - \int_0^t f(\tau) e^{t-\tau} d\tau$

$$\int_0^t f(\tau) e^{t-\tau} d\tau = f(t) * e^t$$

$$F(s) = 3 \frac{2}{s^3} - \frac{1}{s+1} - F(s) \frac{1}{s-1} \Rightarrow F(s) = \frac{6}{s^3} - \frac{6}{s^4} + \frac{1}{s} - \frac{2}{s+1}$$

$$f(t) = 3t^2 - t^3 + 1 - 2e^{-t}$$

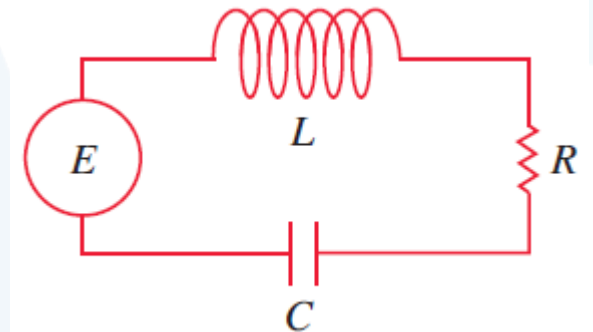
Laplace Transform in Circuit Analysis

Series Circuits

- The voltage drops across an inductor, resistor, and capacitor are, respectively,

$$v_L = L \frac{di(t)}{dt}, \quad v_R = Ri(t), \quad v_C = \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i(\tau) d\tau$$

$$L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + Ri(t) + \frac{1}{C} \int_0^t i(\tau) d\tau = E(t)$$



- **Example 19:** An Integrodifferential Equation

Determine the current $i(t)$ in a single-loop LRC -circuit when $L = 0.1$ H, $R = 2 \Omega$, $C = 0.1$ F, $i(0) = 0$, and the impressed voltage is $E(t) = 120t - 120t u(t - 1)$.

$$0.1 \frac{di(t)}{dt} + 2i(t) + 10 \int_0^t i(\tau) d\tau = 120t - 120t u(t - 1)$$

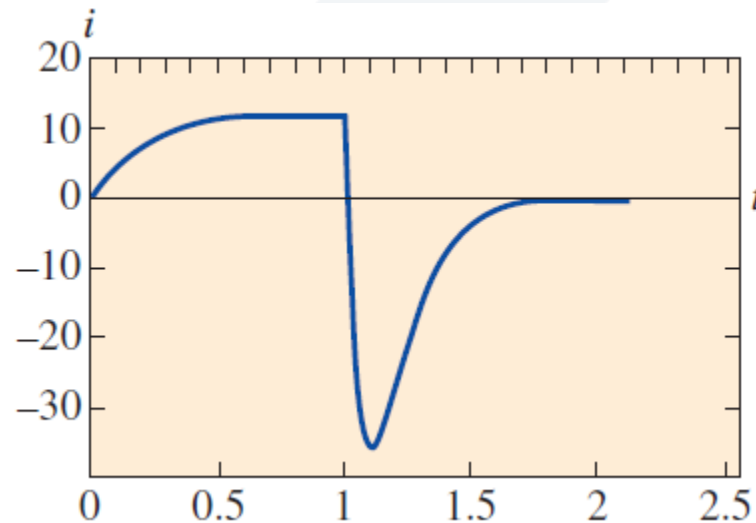
$$0.1sI(s) + 2I(s) + 10 \frac{I(s)}{s} = 120 \left[\frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{1}{s^2} e^{-s} - \frac{1}{s} e^{-s} \right]$$

$$I(s) = 1200 \left[\frac{1}{s(s+10)^2} - \frac{1}{s(s+10)^2} e^{-s} - \frac{1}{(s+10)^2} e^{-s} \right]$$

$$I(s) = 1200 \left[\frac{1/100}{s} - \frac{1/100}{s+10} - \frac{1/10}{(s+10)^2} - \frac{1/100}{s} e^{-s} \right]$$

$$\left[+ \frac{1/100}{s + 10} e^{-s} + \frac{1/10}{(s + 10)^2} e^{-s} - \frac{1}{(s + 10)^2} e^{-s} \right]$$

$$i(t) = 12[1 - u(t - 1)] - 12[e^{-10t} - e^{-10(t-1)}u(t - 1)] \\ - 120te^{-10t} - 1080(t - 1)e^{-10(t-1)}u(t - 1)$$



Transform of a Periodic Function

- Theorem 10 (Transform of a Periodic Function):** If $f(t)$ is piecewise continuous on $[0, \infty)$, of exponential order, and periodic with period T , then:

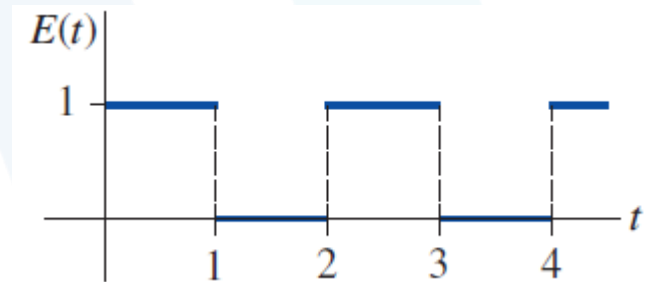
$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-sT}} \int_0^T e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

- Example 20:** Transform of a Periodic Function

Find the Laplace transform of the periodic function shown in the figure above

The function $E(t)$ is called a square wave and has period $T = 2$. For $0 \leq t < 2$, $E(t)$ can be defined by:

$$E(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 0, & 1 \leq t < 2 \end{cases}$$

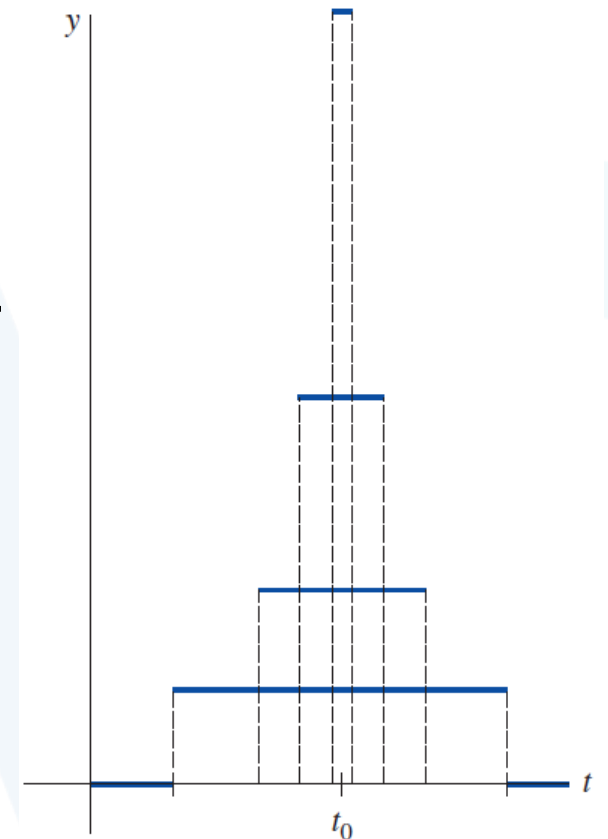
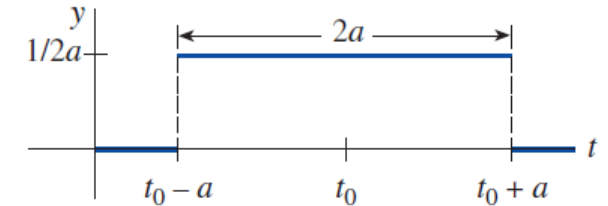




$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\{E(t)\} &= \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2s}} \int_0^2 e^{-st} E(t) dt = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2s}} \int_0^1 e^{-sT} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2s}} \frac{1 - e^{-s}}{s} = \frac{1}{s(1 + e^{-s})}\end{aligned}$$

4. The Dirac Delta Function

- We shall see that there does indeed exist a function, or more precisely a **generalized function**, whose Laplace transform is $F(s) = 1$.
- Mechanical systems are often acted on by an external force (or emf in an electrical circuit) of large magnitude that acts only for a very short period of time.



- The graph of the piecewise-defined function

$$\delta_a(t - t_0) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < t_0 - a \\ \frac{1}{2a}, & t_0 - a \leq t < t_0 + a \\ 0, & t \geq t_0 + a \end{cases}$$

$a > 0$, $t_0 > 0$, shown before could serve as a model for such a force.

- The function $\delta_a(t - t_0)$ is called a **unit impulse** since it possesses the integration property:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \delta_a(t - t_0) dt = 1$$

- The **Dirac Delta Function** $\delta(t - t_0) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \delta_a(t - t_0)$

$$\delta(t - t_0) = \begin{cases} \infty, & t = t_0 \\ 0, & t \neq t_0 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^{\infty} \delta(t - t_0) dt = 1$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} f(t) \delta(t - t_0) dt = f(t_0) \quad \text{sifting property}$$

- **Theorem 11 (Transform of Dirac Delta Function):** For $t_0 > 0$,

$$\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t - t_0)\} = e^{-st_0}, \quad \mathcal{L}\{\delta(t)\} = 1$$

- **Example 21:** Two Initial-Value Problems

Solve $y'' + y = 4\delta(t - 2\pi)$ subject to

(a) $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$

(b) $y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0.$

The two initial-value problems could serve as models for describing the motion of a mass on a spring moving in a medium in which damping is negligible.

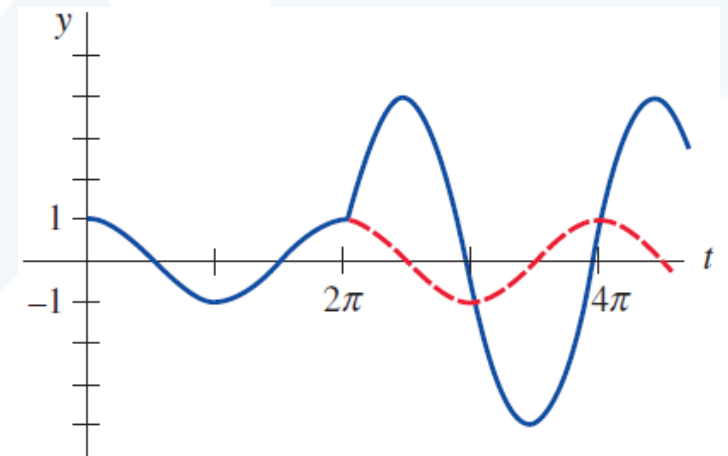
At $t = 2\pi$ the mass is given a sharp blow. In part (a) the mass is released from rest 1 unit below the equilibrium position. In part (b) the mass is at rest in the equilibrium position.

$$(a) \quad s^2 Y(s) - s + Y(s) = 4e^{-2\pi s} \Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{4e^{-2\pi s}}{s^2 + 1}$$

$$y(t) = \cos t + 4\sin(t - 2\pi)u(t - 2\pi)$$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} \cos t, & 0 \leq t < 2\pi \\ \cos t + 4\sin t, & t \geq 2\pi \end{cases}$$

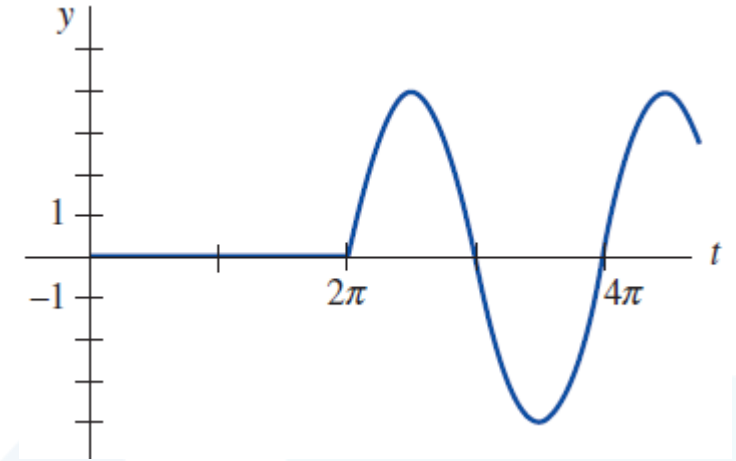
The mass is exhibiting simple harmonic motion until it is struck at $t = 2\pi$. The influence of the unit impulse is to increase the amplitude of vibration to $\sqrt{17}$ for $t > 2\pi$.



$$(b) Y(s) = \frac{4e^{-2\pi s}}{s^2 + 1} \Rightarrow y(t) = 4\sin(t - 2\pi)u(t - 2\pi)$$

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < 2\pi \\ 4\sin t, & t \geq 2\pi \end{cases}$$

The mass exhibits no motion until it is struck at $t = 2\pi$.

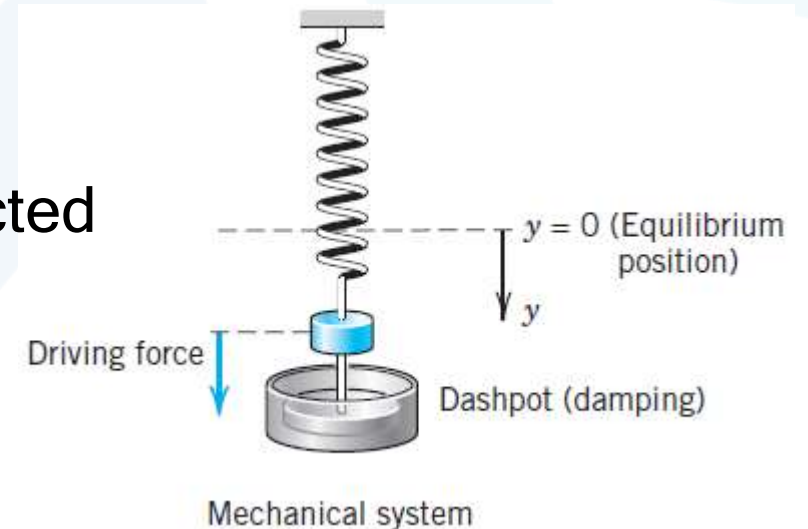


- Example 22:** Damped Forced Vibrations

Solve the IVP for a damped mass-spring system acted upon by a sinusoidal force for some time interval.

$$y'' + 2y' + 2y = r(t), \quad r(t) = 10 \sin 2t \text{ if } 0 < t < \pi$$

and 0 if $t > \pi$; $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -5$.



$$(s^2 Y(s) - s + 5) + 2(s Y(s) - 1) + 2Y(s) = 10 \frac{2}{s^2 + 4} (1 - e^{-\pi s})$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{20}{(s^2 + 4)(s^2 + 2s + 2)} - \frac{20e^{-\pi s}}{(s^2 + 4)(s^2 + 2s + 2)} + \frac{s - 3}{s^2 + 2s + 2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s - 3}{s^2 + 2s + 2} \right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s + 1 - 4}{(s + 1)^2 + 1} \right\} = e^{-t} (\cos t - 4 \sin t)$$

$$\frac{20}{(s^2 + 4)(s^2 + 2s + 2)} = \frac{-2s - 2}{s^2 + 4} + \frac{2(s - 1) + 6 - 2}{(s + 1)^2 + 1}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{20}{(s^2 + 4)(s^2 + 2s + 2)} \right\} = -2 \cos 2t - \sin 2t + e^{-t} (2 \cos t + 4 \sin t)$$

$$y(t) = e^{-t}(\cos t - 4\sin t) - 2\cos 2t - \sin 2t + e^{-t}(2\cos t + 4\sin t)$$

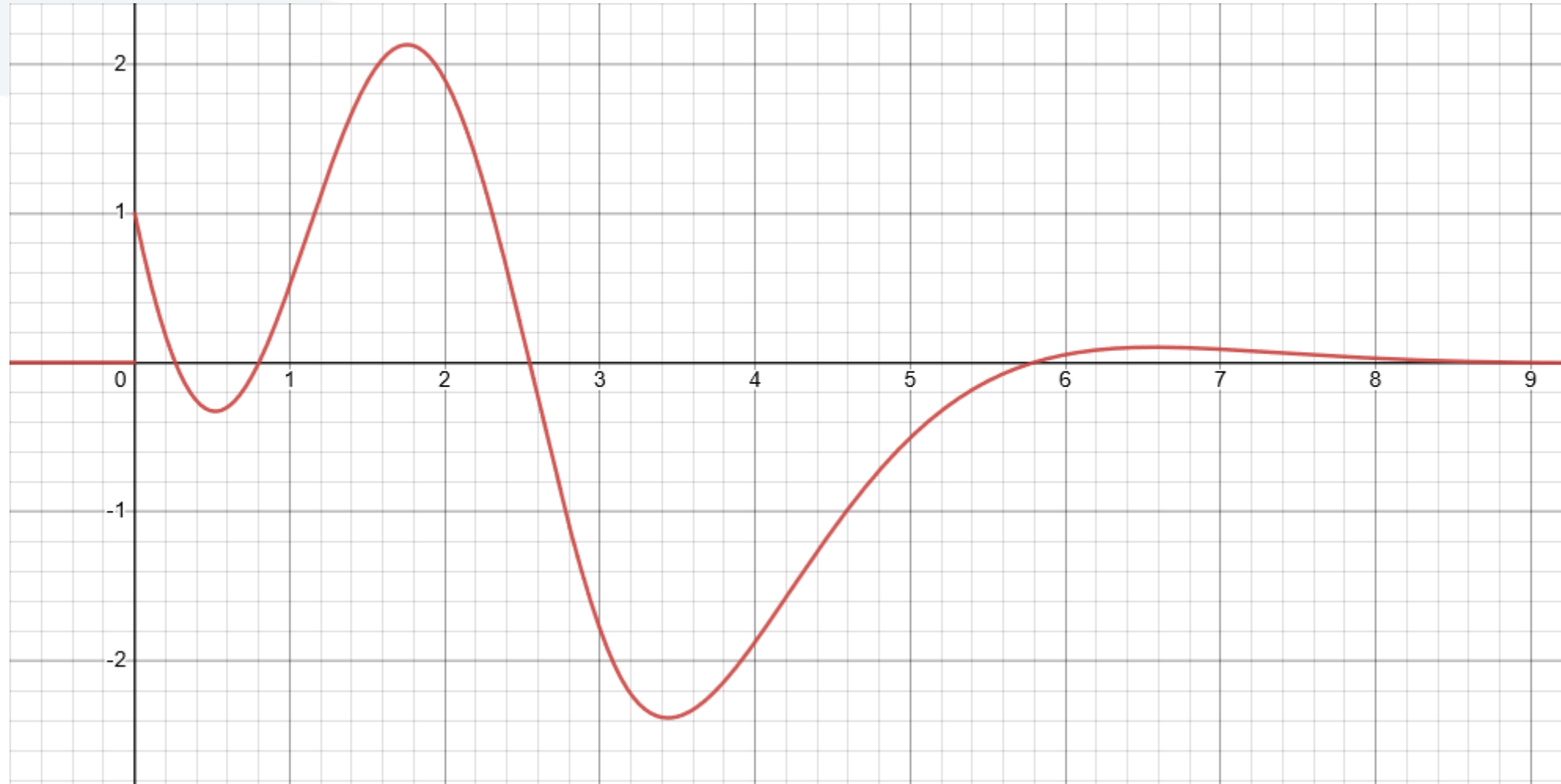
$$y(t) = 3e^{-t}\cos t - 2\cos 2t - \sin 2t, \quad 0 < t < \pi$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ -\frac{20e^{-\pi s}}{(s^2 + 4)(s^2 + 2s + 2)} \right\} = 2\cos(2t - 2\pi) + \sin(2t - 2\pi) - e^{-(t-\pi)}[2\cos(t - \pi) + 4\sin(t - \pi)]$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ -\frac{20e^{-\pi s}}{(s^2 + 4)(s^2 + 2s + 2)} \right\} = 2\cos 2t + \sin 2t + e^{-(t-\pi)}(2\cos t + 4\sin t)$$

$$y(t) = 3e^{-t}\cos t - 2\cos 2t - \sin 2t + 2\cos 2t + \sin 2t + e^{-(t-\pi)}(2\cos t + 4\sin t)$$

$$y(t) = e^{-t}[(3 + 2e^\pi)\cos t + 4e^\pi\sin t], \quad t > \pi$$



- **Theorem 12 (Initial Value Theorem):** If $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$ and if the indicated limits exist, then:

$$f(0^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sF(s)$$

- **Example 23:** Initial value theorem

Calculate the initial value of the function $f(t)$, whose Laplace transform is:

$$F(s) = \frac{2(s+1)}{(s+1)^2 + 5^2}$$

$$f(0^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sF(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2s(s+1)}{(s+1)^2 + 5^2} = 2$$

Verification:

$$f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2(s+1)}{(s+1)^2 + 5^2} \right\} = 2e^{-t} \cos(5t) \Rightarrow f(0^+) = f(0) = 2$$

- **Theorem 13 (Final Value Theorem):** If $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$ and if the indicated limits exist, then:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sF(s)$$

- **Example 24:** Final value theorem

Calculate the final value of the function $f(t)$, whose Laplace transform is:

$$F(s) = \frac{s + 3}{s(s + 1)}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sF(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{s(s + 3)}{s(s + 1)} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{s + 3}{s + 1} = 3$$

Verification:

$$f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s + 2}{s(s + 1)} \right\} = (3 - 2e^{-t}) \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = 3$$

5. Systems of Linear Differential Equations

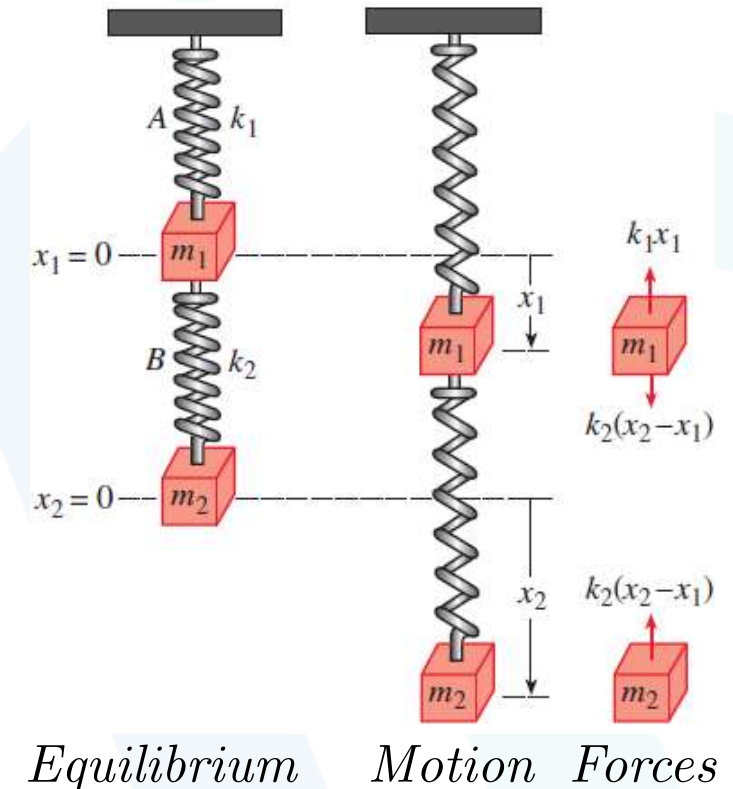
- When initial conditions are specified, the LT reduces a system of linear DEs with constant coefficients to a set of simultaneous algebraic equations in the transformed functions.

Coupled Springs

$$m_1 x_1'' = -k_1 x_1 + k_2 (x_2 - x_1)$$

$$m_2 x_2'' = -k_2 (x_2 - x_1)$$

that describes the motion of two masses m_1 and m_2 in the coupled spring/mass system shown in the figure beside.



- **Example 25:** Coupled Springs

Use the Laplace transform to solve

$$\begin{aligned} x_1'' + 10x_1 - 4x_2 &= 0 \\ -4x_1 + x_2'' + 4x_2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (k_1 = 6, k_2 = 4, m_1 = 1, \text{ and } m_2 = 1)$$

subject to $x_1(0) = 0, x_1'(0) = 1, x_2(0) = 0, x_2'(0) = -1$

$$s^2 X_1(s) - sx_1(0) - x_1'(0) + 10X_1(s) - 4X_2(s) = 0$$

$$-4X_1(s) + s^2 X_2(s) - sx_2(0) - x_2'(0) + 4X_2(s) = 0$$

$$(s^2 + 10)X_1(s) - 4X_2(s) = 1$$

$$-4X_1(s) + (s^2 + 4)X_2(s) = -1$$

Solving for $X_1(s)$ and using partial fractions on the result yields:

$$X_1(s) = \frac{s^2}{(s^2 + 2)(s^2 + 12)} = -\frac{1/5}{s^2 + 2} + \frac{6/5}{s^2 + 12}$$

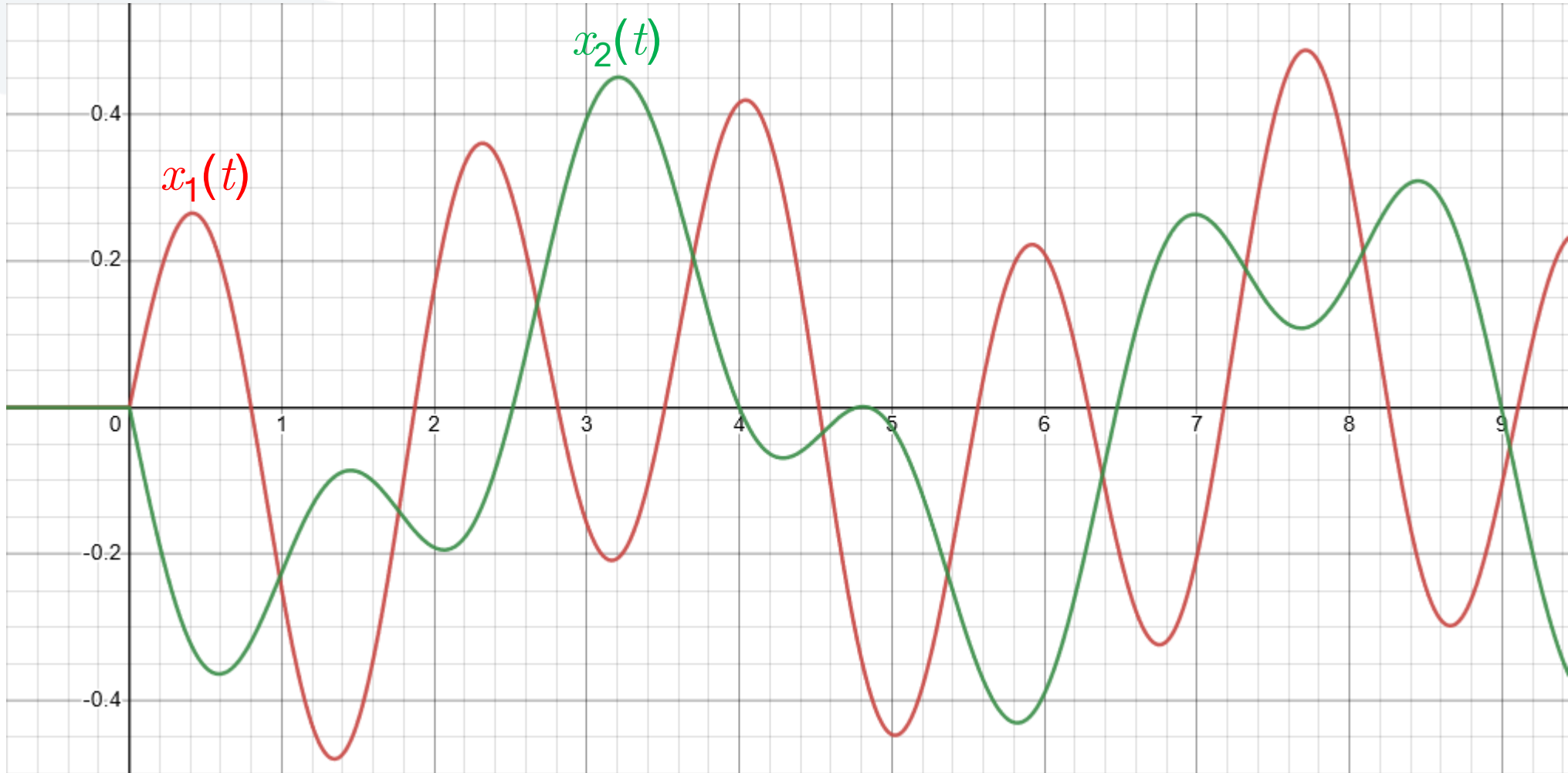
$$x_1(t) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{10} \sin \sqrt{2}t + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5} \sin 2\sqrt{3}t$$

Substituting the expression for $X_1(s)$ into the first equation

$$X_2(s) = \frac{s^2 + 6}{(s^2 + 2)(s^2 + 12)} = -\frac{2/5}{s^2 + 2} - \frac{3/5}{s^2 + 12}$$

$$x_2(t) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{5} \sin \sqrt{2}t - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{10} \sin 2\sqrt{3}t$$

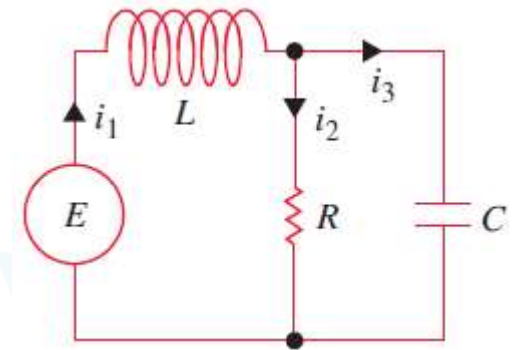
The motion of each mass is **harmonic** (the system is **undamped!**), being the superposition of a **slow** oscillation and a **rapid** oscillation.



Networks

$$L \frac{di_1(t)}{dt} + Ri_2(t) = E(t)$$

$$RC \frac{di_2(t)}{dt} + i_2(t) - i_1(t) = 0$$



- Example 26:** An Electrical Network

Solve the system before under the conditions $E(t) = 60 \text{ V}$, $L = 1 \text{ H}$, $R = 50 \Omega$, $C = 10^{-4} \text{ F}$, and the currents i_1 and i_2 are initially zero.

$$\frac{di_1(t)}{dt} + 50i_2(t) = 60$$

$$5 \times 10^{-3} \frac{di_2(t)}{dt} + i_2(t) - i_1(t) = 0$$

$$i_1(0) = i_2(0) = 0$$

$$sI_1(s) + 50I_2(s) = \frac{60}{s}$$

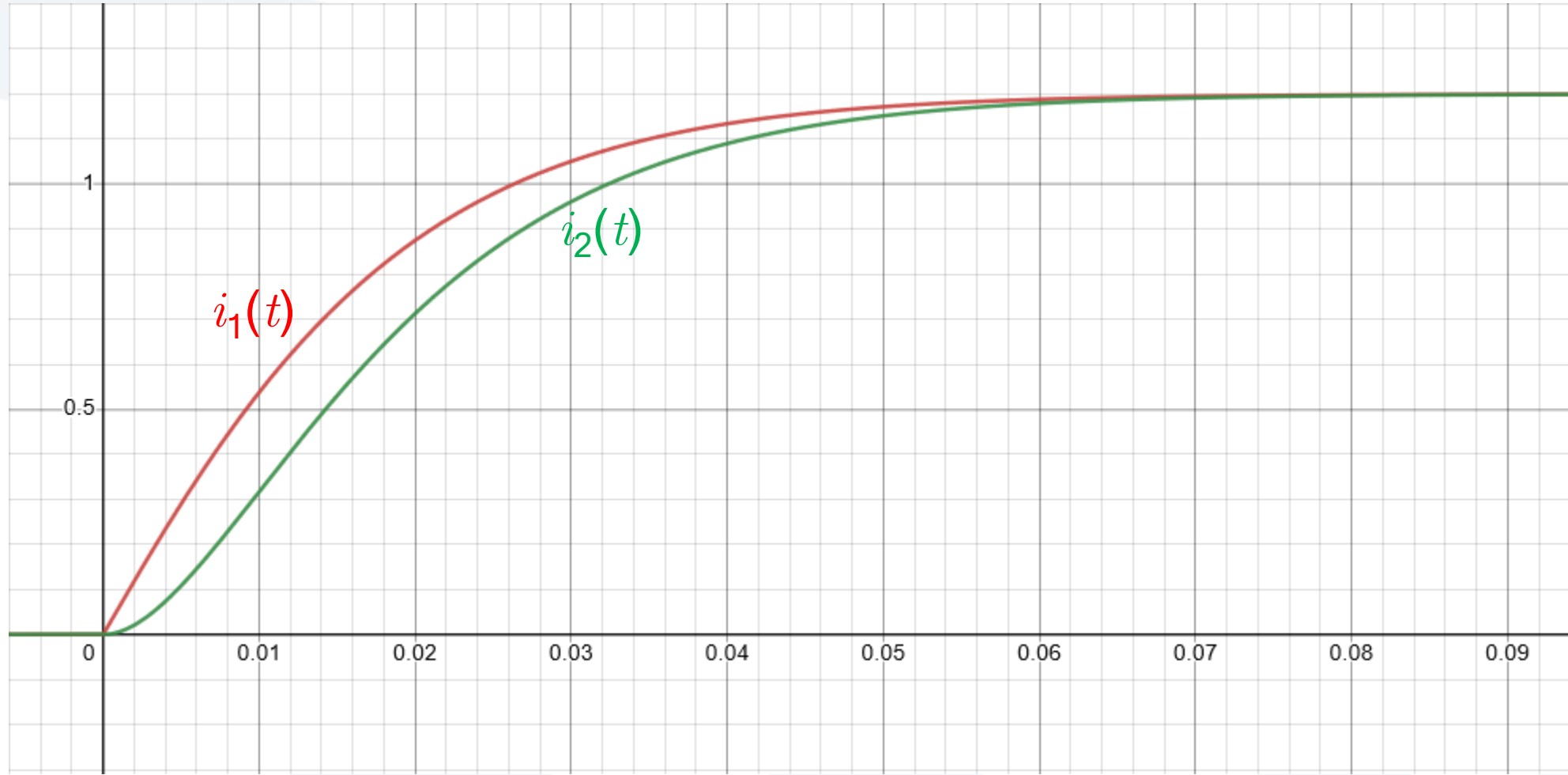
$$-200I_1(s) + (s + 200)I_2(s) = 0$$

$$I_1(s) = \frac{60s + 12000}{s(s + 100)^2} = \frac{6/5}{s} - \frac{6/5}{s + 100} - \frac{60}{(s + 100)^2}$$

$$i_1(t) = \frac{6}{5} - \frac{6}{5}e^{-100t} - 60te^{-100t}$$

$$I_2(s) = \frac{12000}{s(s + 100)^2} = \frac{6/5}{s} - \frac{6/5}{s + 100} - \frac{120}{(s + 100)^2}$$

$$i_2(t) = \frac{6}{5} - \frac{6}{5}e^{-100t} - 120te^{-100t}$$



Double Pendulum

$$(m_1 + m_2)l_1^2\theta_1'' + m_2l_1l_2\theta_2'' + (m_1 + m_2)l_1g\theta_1 = 0$$

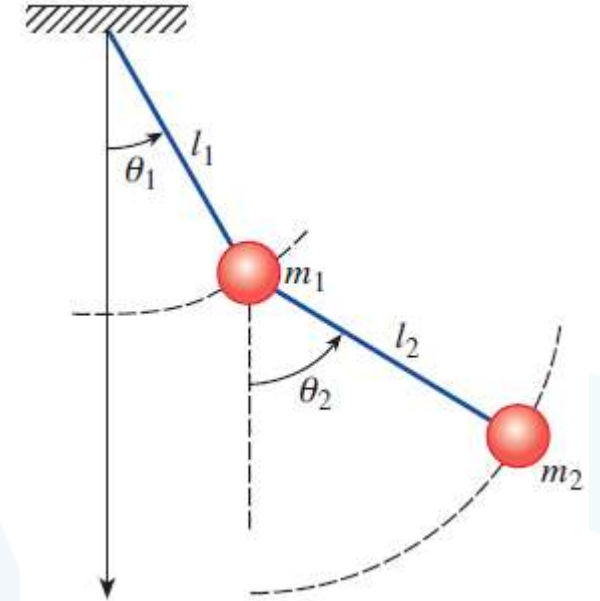
$$m_2l_2^2\theta_2'' + m_2l_1l_2\theta_1'' + m_2l_2g\theta_2 = 0$$

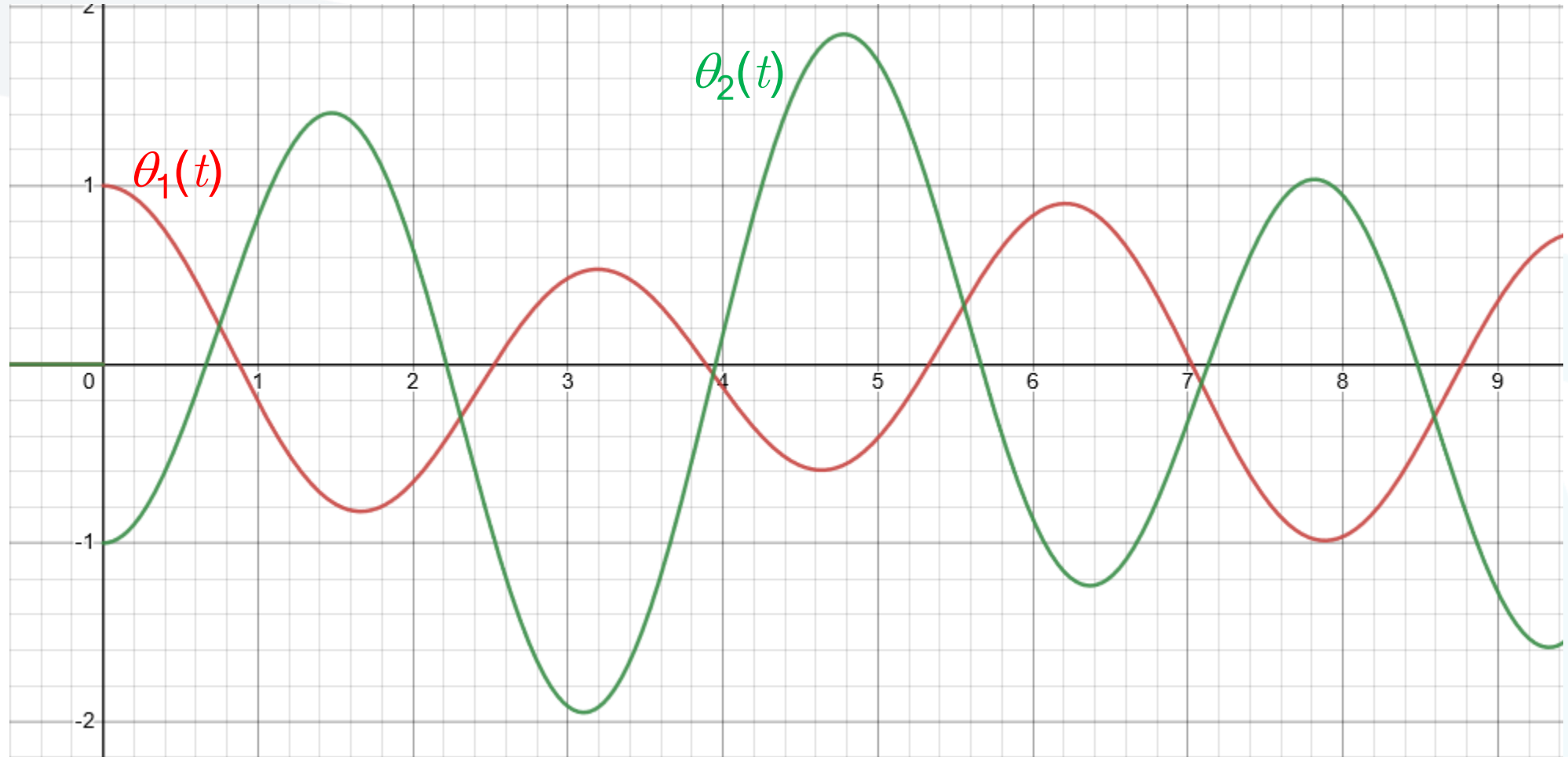
- Example 27:** Double Pendulum

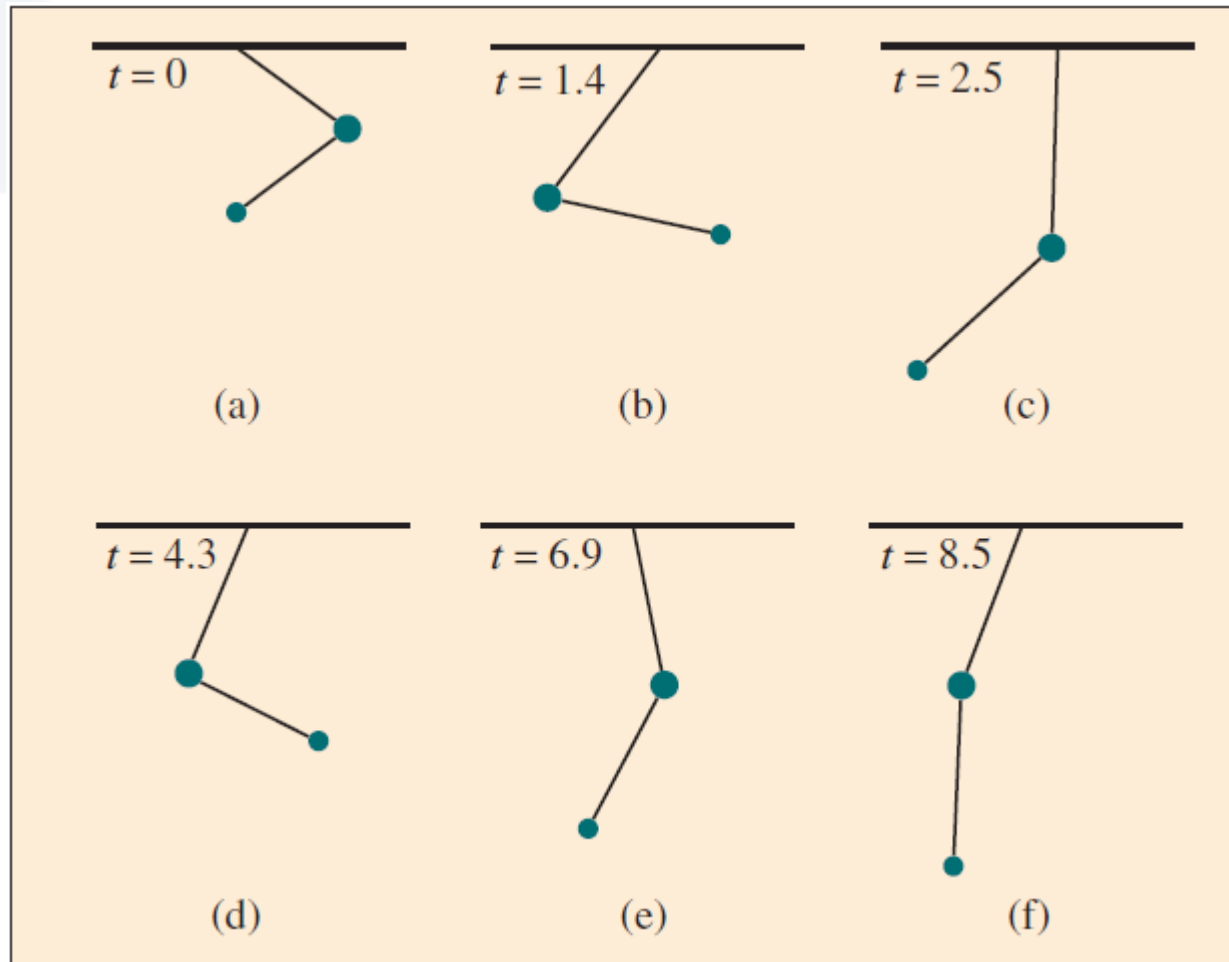
$$m_1 = 3, m_2 = 1, l_1 = l_2 = 16, \theta_1(0) = 1, \theta_2(0) = -1, \theta_1'(0) = \theta_2'(0) = 0$$

$$\theta_1(t) = \frac{1}{4} \cos \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} t + \frac{3}{4} \cos 2t$$

$$\theta_2(t) = \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} t - \frac{3}{2} \cos 2t$$







Positions of masses at various times

Solving Systems of Equations in Matrix Form

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) = A \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{b}(t)$$

where

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} b_1(t) \\ b_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ b_n(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

subject to the initial conditions $x_1(0) = x_1, x_2(0) = x_2, \dots, x_n(0) = x_n$

$$\mathbf{X}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} X_1(s) \\ X_2(s) \\ \vdots \\ X_n(s) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} B_1(s) \\ B_2(s) \\ \vdots \\ B_n(s) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$



$$s\mathbf{X}(s) - \mathbf{x}_0 = A\mathbf{X}(s) + \mathbf{B}(s)$$

$$[sI - A]\mathbf{X}(s) = \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{B}(s)$$

$$\mathbf{X}(s) = [sI - A]^{-1}[\mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{B}(s)]$$

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{[sI - A]^{-1}[\mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{B}(s)]\}$$

▪ **Example 28:** Initial value problem

Solve the initial value problem

$$x' - 2x + y = \sin t$$

$$y' + 2x - y = 1$$

subject to $x(0) = 1, y(0) = -1$

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} 1/(s^2 + 1) \\ 1/s \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\mathbf{X}(s) = \left[s \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right]^{-1} \left[\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1/(s^2 + 1) \\ 1/s \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{X}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} s - 2 & 1 \\ 2 & s - 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} (s^2 + 2)/(s^2 + 1) \\ (1 - s)/s \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\mathbf{X}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s - 1}{s(s - 3)} & \frac{-1}{s(s - 3)} \\ \frac{-2}{s(s - 3)} & \frac{s - 2}{s(s - 3)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s^2 + 2}{(s^2 + 1)} \\ \frac{1 - s}{s} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{(s - 1)(s^3 + s^2 + 2s + 1)}{s^2(s - 3)(s^2 + 1)} \\ \frac{-(s^4 - s^3 + 3s^2 + s + 2)}{s^2(s - 3)(s^2 + 1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{3}t - \frac{1}{5}\sin t - \frac{2}{5}\cos t + \frac{43}{45}e^{3t}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{5}{9} + \frac{2}{3}t + \frac{1}{5}\sin t - \frac{3}{5}\cos t - \frac{43}{45}e^{3t}$$

Determination of e^{tA} by Means of the Laplace Transform

- The solution of the homogeneous system of equations: $x'(t) = Ax(t)$ subject to the initial condition $x(0) = x_0$, can be written

$$x(t) = e^{tA}x_0$$

$$x(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{[sI - A]^{-1}\}x_0$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{tA} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{[sI - A]^{-1}\}$$

- Theorem 14 (Determination of e^{tA} by Means of the Laplace Transform):** Let A be a real $n \times n$ matrix with constant elements. Then the exponential matrix

$$e^{tA} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{[sI - A]^{-1}\}$$

- **Note:** Theorem 14 determines e^{tA} in the cases when A is **diagonalizable** with **real eigenvalues**, when it is **diagonalizable** with **complex conjugate eigenvalues**, and also when it is **not diagonalizable**.
- **Example 29:** Determination of e^{tA}

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 6 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix A has the distinct eigenvalues 1 and 2, and so is diagonalizable.

$$[sI - A] = \begin{bmatrix} s + 2 & -6 \\ 2 & s - 5 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow [sI - A]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s - 5}{s^2 - 3s + 2} & \frac{6}{s^2 - 3s + 2} \\ \frac{-2}{s^2 - 3s + 2} & \frac{s + 2}{s^2 - 3s + 2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^{tA} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{[sI - A]^{-1}\} = \begin{bmatrix} 4e^t - 3e^{2t} & -6e^t + 6e^{2t} \\ 2e^t - 2e^{2t} & -3e^t + 4e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Example 30:** Determination of e^{tA}

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix A has the complex conjugate eigenvalues $-1 \pm 2i$.

$$[sI - A] = \begin{bmatrix} s + 3 & 4 \\ -2 & s - 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow [sI - A]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s - 1}{s^2 + 2s + 5} & \frac{-4}{s^2 + 2s + 5} \\ \frac{2}{s^2 + 2s + 5} & \frac{s + 3}{s^2 + 2s + 5} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^{tA} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{[sI - A]^{-1}\} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t}(\cos 2t - \sin 2t) & -2e^{-t}\sin 2t \\ e^{-t}\sin 2t & e^{-t}(\cos 2t + \sin 2t) \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Example 31:** Determination of e^{tA}

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix A has the repeated eigenvalue 4 and is not diagonalizable.

$$[sI - A] = \begin{bmatrix} s - 4 & -1 \\ 0 & s - 4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow [sI - A]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{s - 4} & \frac{1}{(s - 4)^2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{s - 4} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow e^{tA} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{4t} & te^{4t} \\ 0 & e^{4t} \end{bmatrix}$$