

## Section 16: Laplace Transforms of Derivatives and IVPs

For  $y = y(t)$  defined on  $[0, \infty)$  having derivatives  $y'$ ,  $y''$  and so forth, if

$$\mathcal{L}\{y(t)\} = Y(s),$$

then

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{dy}{dt}\right\} = sY(s) - y(0),$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}\right\} = s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0),$$

⋮

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^n y}{dt^n}\right\} = s^n Y(s) - s^{n-1}y(0) - s^{n-2}y'(0) - \cdots - y^{(n-1)}(0).$$

# Solving IVPs



**Figure:** We use the Laplace transform to turn our DE into an algebraic equation. Solve this transformed equation, and then transform back.

## General Form

We get

$$Y(s) = \frac{Q(s)}{P(s)} + \frac{G(s)}{P(s)}$$

where  $Q$  is a polynomial with coefficients determined by the initial conditions,  $G$  is the Laplace transform of  $g(t)$  and  $P$  is the **characteristic polynomial** of the original equation.

$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{Q(s)}{P(s)} \right\}$  is called the **zero input response**,

and

$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{G(s)}{P(s)} \right\}$  is called the **zero state response**.

## Solve the IVP using the Laplace Transform

$$(a) \quad \frac{dy}{dt} + 3y = 2t \quad y(0) = 2 \quad \text{Let } Y(s) = \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y' + 3y\} = \mathcal{L}\{2t\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 3\mathcal{L}\{y\} = 2\mathcal{L}\{t\}$$

$$sY(s) - y(0) + 3Y(s) = \frac{2}{s^2}$$

$$(s+3)Y(s) - 2 = \frac{2}{s^2}$$

$$(s+3)Y(s) = \frac{2}{s^2} + 2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad Y(s) = \frac{2}{s^2(s+3)} + \frac{2}{s+3}$$

Well decompose  $\frac{2}{s^2(s+3)}$

$$\frac{2}{s^2(s+3)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s^2} + \frac{C}{s+3} \quad \text{Clear fractions}$$

$$2 = As(s+3) + Bs + Cs^2$$

$$2 = A(s^2 + 3s) + Bs + Cs^2$$

$$2 = (A+C)s^2 + (3A+B)s + 3B$$

Match coefficients

$$A+C=0$$

$$\Rightarrow C = -A = \frac{2}{9}$$

$$3A+B=0$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -\frac{B}{3} = -\frac{2}{9}$$

$$3B=2 \Rightarrow B = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{-2/9}{s} + \frac{2/3}{s^2} + \frac{2/9}{s+3} + \frac{2}{s+3}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{-2/9}{s} + \frac{2/3}{s^2} + \frac{20/9}{s+3}$$

The solution to the IVP  $y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\}$ .

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{-2/9}{s} + \frac{2/3}{s^2} + \frac{20/9}{s+3}\right\}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{9} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s}\right\} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2}\right\} + \frac{20}{9} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+3}\right\}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{-2}{9} + \frac{2}{3}t + \frac{20}{9}e^{-3t}$$

Solve the IVP using the Laplace Transform

$$y'' + 4y' + 4y = te^{-2t} \quad y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0 \quad \text{Let } \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\} = Y(s)$$

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

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} + 4\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 4\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{te^{-2t}\} \quad \mathcal{L}\{t\} = \frac{1}{s^2}$$

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

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

$$(s^2 + 4s + 4) Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+2)^2} + s+4$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+2)^2(s^2+4s+4)} + \frac{s+4}{(s^2+4s+4)}$$

$$s^2 + 4s + 4 = (s+2)^2$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+2)^4} + \frac{s+4}{(s+2)^2}$$

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

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+2)^4} + \frac{1}{s+2} + \frac{2}{(s+2)^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^3\} = \frac{3!}{s^4} \quad \text{so} \quad \mathcal{L}\{t^3 e^{-2t}\} = \frac{3!}{(s+2)^4}$$

The solution to the IVP  $y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\}$

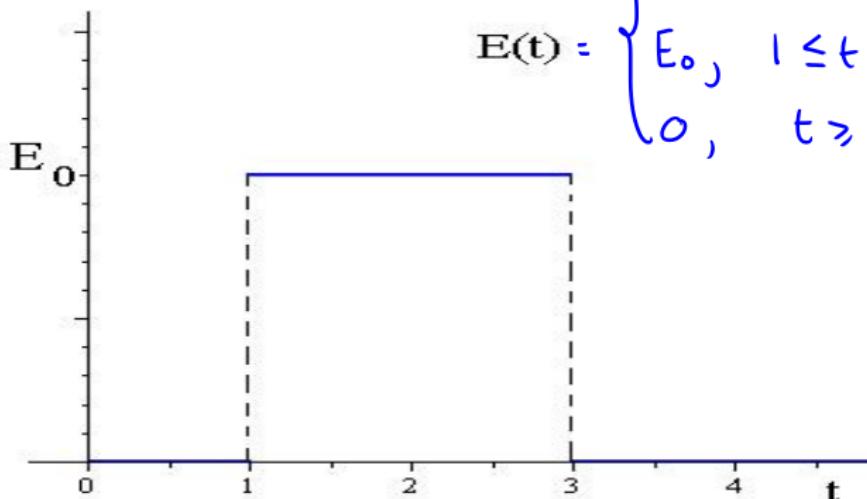
$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(s+2)^4}\right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+2}\right\} + 2 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(s+2)^2}\right\}$$

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

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{3!} t^3 e^{-2t} + e^{-2t} + 2t e^{-2t}$$

## Solve the IVP

An LR-series circuit has inductance  $L = 1\text{h}$ , resistance  $R = 10\Omega$ , and applied force  $E(t)$  whose graph is given below. If the initial current  $i(0) = 0$ , find the current  $i(t)$  in the circuit.



$$E(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ E_0, & 1 \leq t < 3 \\ 0, & t \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

The ODE  $L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri = E$

## LR Circuit Example

Convert  $E$  to unit step form.

$$E(t) = 0 - 0u(t-1) + E_0u(t-1) - E_0u(t-3) + 0u(t-3)$$

$$L=1\text{h} \text{ and } R=10\Omega$$

so the NLP is

$$\frac{di}{dt} + 10i = E_0u(t-1) - E_0u(t-3), \quad i(0)=0$$

Let  $I(s) = \mathcal{L}\{i(t)\}$ .

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{di}{dt}\right\} + 10\mathcal{L}\{i\} = \mathcal{L}\{E_0u(t-1)\} - \mathcal{L}\{E_0u(t-3)\}$$

$$s I(s) - i_{(0)} + 10 I(s) = E_0 \frac{e^{-s}}{s} - E_0 \frac{e^{-3s}}{s}$$

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$$(s+10) I(s) = \frac{E_0 e^{-s}}{s} - \frac{E_0 e^{-3s}}{s}$$

$$I(s) = \frac{E_0 e^{-s}}{s(s+10)} - \frac{E_0 e^{-3s}}{s(s+10)}$$

we'll decompose  $\frac{1}{s(s+10)}$

$$\frac{1}{s(s+10)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+10} \Rightarrow 1 = A(s+10) + Bs$$

Set  $s=0$   $1=10A$   $A=\frac{1}{10}$

Set  $s=-10$   $1=-10B$   $B=\frac{-1}{10}$

$$I(s) = E_0 e^{-s} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{s} - \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{s+10} \right) - E_0 e^{-3s} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{s} - \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{s+10} \right)$$

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

where  $f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$

Note

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{E_0 \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s+10}\right)\right\} = E_0 \frac{1}{10} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s}\right\} - E_0 \frac{1}{10} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+10}\right\}$$

$$= \frac{E_0}{10} - \frac{E_0}{10} e^{-10t}$$

The charge  $i(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{I(s)\}$

$$i(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{ e^{-s} \left[ E_0 \left( \frac{t}{10} - \frac{1}{s+10} \right) \right] \right\} - \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{ e^{-3s} \left[ E_0 \left( \frac{t}{10} - \frac{1}{s+10} \right) \right] \right\}$$

$$i(t) = \left( \frac{E_0}{10} - \frac{E_0}{10} e^{-10(t-1)} \right) u(t-1) - \left( \frac{E_0}{10} - \frac{E_0}{10} e^{-10(t-3)} \right) u(t-3)$$