

Problem 8

In each of Problems 1 through 13:

- Find the solution of the given initial value problem.
- Draw the graphs of the solution and of the forcing function; explain how they are related.

$$y'' + y' + \frac{5}{4}y = t - u_{\pi/2}(t)(t - \pi/2); \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0$$

Solution

Because the ODE is linear, the Laplace transform can be applied to solve it. The Laplace transform of a function $y(t)$ is defined here as

$$Y(s) = \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st}y(t) dt.$$

Consequently, the first and second derivatives transform as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{dy}{dt}\right\} &= sY(s) - y(0) \\ \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}\right\} &= s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0) \end{aligned}$$

Apply the Laplace transform to both sides of the ODE.

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{y'' + y' + \frac{5}{4}y\right\} = \mathcal{L}\{t - u_{\pi/2}(t)(t - \pi/2)\}$$

Use the fact that the transform is a linear operator.

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} + \mathcal{L}\{y'\} + \frac{5}{4}\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{t\} - \mathcal{L}\{u_{\pi/2}(t)(t - \pi/2)\}$$

$$[s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)] + [sY(s) - y(0)] + \frac{5}{4}[Y(s)] = \frac{1}{s^2} - \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st}[u_{\pi/2}(t)(t - \pi/2)] dt$$

Plug in the initial conditions, $y(0) = 0$ and $y'(0) = 0$.

$$[s^2Y(s)] + [sY(s)] + \frac{5}{4}[Y(s)] = \frac{1}{s^2} - \int_{\pi/2}^{\infty} e^{-st}(t - \pi/2) dt$$

As a result of applying the Laplace transform, the ODE has reduced to an algebraic equation for Y , the transformed solution.

$$\begin{aligned} \left(s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4}\right) Y(s) &= \frac{1}{s^2} - \int_{\pi/2}^{\infty} te^{-st} dt + \frac{\pi}{2} \int_{\pi/2}^{\infty} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{s^2} - \int_{\pi/2}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial s} e^{-st}\right) dt + \frac{\pi}{2} \int_{\pi/2}^{\infty} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{d}{ds} \int_{\pi/2}^{\infty} e^{-st} dt + \frac{\pi}{2} \int_{\pi/2}^{\infty} e^{-st} dt \end{aligned}$$

Evaluate the integrals and simplify the right side.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4}\right) Y(s) &= \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{d}{ds} \left(-\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \Big|_{\pi/2}^{\infty} \right) + \frac{\pi}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \Big|_{\pi/2}^{\infty} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{1}{s} e^{-\pi s/2} \right) + \frac{\pi}{2} \left(\frac{1}{s} e^{-\pi s/2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{s^2} + \left(-\frac{1}{s^2} e^{-\pi s/2} - \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{s} e^{-\pi s/2} \right) + \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{s} e^{-\pi s/2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{1}{s^2} e^{-\pi s/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Divide both sides by $s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4}$.

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

Use partial fraction decomposition now.

$$\frac{1}{s^2(s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4})} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s^2} + \frac{Cs + D}{s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4}}$$

Multiply both sides by $s^2(s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4})$.

$$1 = As(s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4}) + B(s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4}) + s^2(Cs + D)$$

Plug in four random values of s to obtain a system of four equations for A , B , C , and D .

$$\begin{aligned}
 s = 0 : \quad 1 &= \frac{5}{4}B \\
 s = 1 : \quad 1 &= \frac{13}{4}A + \frac{13}{4}B + C + D \\
 s = 2 : \quad 1 &= \frac{29}{2}A + \frac{29}{4}B + 8C + 4D \\
 s = 3 : \quad 1 &= \frac{159}{4}A + \frac{53}{4}B + 27C + 9D
 \end{aligned}$$

Solving this system yields $A = -16/25$, $B = 4/5$, $C = 16/25$, and $D = -4/25$.

$$Y(s) = \left(\frac{-16}{25s} + \frac{4}{5s^2} + \frac{16s - 4}{25(s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4})} \right) - \left(\frac{-16}{25s} + \frac{4}{5s^2} + \frac{16s - 4}{25(s^2 + s + \frac{5}{4})} \right) e^{-\pi s/2}$$

Complete the square in the denominators.

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y(s) &= \left(\frac{-16}{25s} + \frac{4}{5s^2} + \frac{16s - 4}{25(s^2 + s + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{4} - \frac{1}{4})} \right) - \left(\frac{-16}{25s} + \frac{4}{5s^2} + \frac{16s - 4}{25(s^2 + s + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{4} - \frac{1}{4})} \right) e^{-\pi s/2} \\
 &= \left[\frac{-16}{25s} + \frac{4}{5s^2} + \frac{16s - 4}{25(s + \frac{1}{2})^2 + 1} \right] - \left[\frac{-16}{25s} + \frac{4}{5s^2} + \frac{16s - 4}{25(s + \frac{1}{2})^2 + 1} \right] e^{-\pi s/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Make it so that $s + \frac{1}{2}$ appears in the numerators.

$$\begin{aligned} Y(s) &= \left[\frac{-\frac{16}{25}}{s} + \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{s^2} + \frac{\frac{16}{25}(s + \frac{1}{2}) - \frac{16}{50} - \frac{4}{25}}{(s + \frac{1}{2})^2 + 1} \right] - \left[\frac{-\frac{16}{25}}{s} + \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{s^2} + \frac{\frac{16}{25}(s + \frac{1}{2}) - \frac{16}{50} - \frac{4}{25}}{(s + \frac{1}{2})^2 + 1} \right] e^{-\pi s/2} \\ &= \left[\frac{-\frac{16}{25}}{s} + \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{s^2} + \frac{\frac{16}{25}(s + \frac{1}{2}) - \frac{12}{25}}{(s + \frac{1}{2})^2 + 1} \right] - \left[\frac{-\frac{16}{25}}{s} + \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{s^2} + \frac{\frac{16}{25}(s + \frac{1}{2}) - \frac{12}{25}}{(s + \frac{1}{2})^2 + 1} \right] e^{-\pi s/2} \end{aligned}$$

Take the inverse Laplace transform of $Y(s)$ now to get $y(t)$.

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{ \frac{-\frac{16}{25}}{s} + \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{s^2} + \frac{\frac{16}{25}(s + \frac{1}{2}) - \frac{12}{25}}{(s + \frac{1}{2})^2 + 1} \right\} - \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{ \left[\frac{-\frac{16}{25}}{s} + \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{s^2} + \frac{\frac{16}{25}(s + \frac{1}{2}) - \frac{12}{25}}{(s + \frac{1}{2})^2 + 1} \right] e^{-\pi s/2} \right\} \\ &= -\frac{16}{25} + \frac{4}{5}t + \frac{16}{25}e^{-t/2} \cos t - \frac{12}{25}e^{-t/2} \sin t \\ &\quad - \left[-\frac{16}{25} + \frac{4}{5}\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{16}{25}e^{-(t-\pi/2)/2} \cos\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{12}{25}e^{-(t-\pi/2)/2} \sin\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \right] H\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{4}{25}(-4 + 5t + 4e^{-t/2} \cos t - 3e^{-t/2} \sin t) \\ &\quad - \left[-\frac{2}{25}(5\pi + 8) + \frac{4}{5}t + \frac{16}{25}e^{(\pi-2t)/4} \sin t + \frac{12}{25}e^{(\pi-2t)/4} \cos t \right] H\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{4}{25}[-4 + 5t + e^{-t/2}(4 \cos t - 3 \sin t)] + \frac{2}{25} \left[(5\pi + 8) - 10t - 2e^{(\pi-2t)/4}(4 \sin t + 3 \cos t) \right] H\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{4}{25}[-4 + 5t + e^{-t/2}(4 \cos t - 3 \sin t)] + \frac{2}{25} \left[(5\pi + 8) - 10t - 2e^{(\pi-2t)/4}(4 \sin t + 3 \cos t) \right] u_{\pi/2}(t) \end{aligned}$$

Below is the graph of $y(t)$ versus t superimposed on the graph of $f(t)$ versus t .

