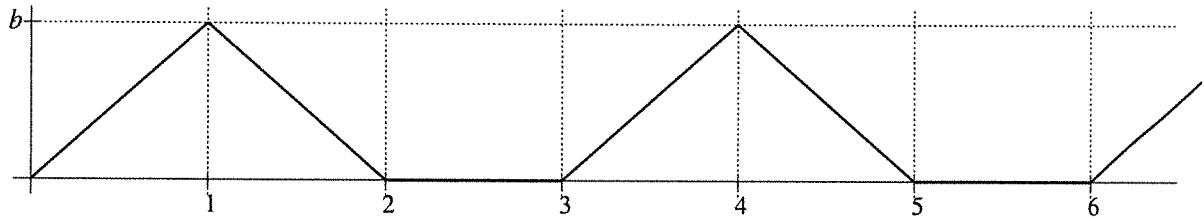


1. 2 For $b > 0$, a graph of $y = f(t)$ is given below.



Compute the Laplace transform of $f(t)$.

$$f_3 = bt + u(t-1) [(2b-bt) - bt] + u(t-2) [bt - 2b]$$

$$F_3 = \frac{b}{s^2} + e^{-s} \left(\frac{-2b}{s^2} \right) + e^{-2s} \left(\frac{b}{s^2} \right)$$

$$F = \frac{b(1 - 2e^{-s} + e^{-2s})}{s^2(1 - e^{-3s})}$$

2. Assume $g(t)$ is piecewise continuous and of exponential order and consider the initial value problem

$$y' - 2y = g(t), \quad y(0) = 3.$$

- (a) 1 Find the solution. Express your solution in terms of a convolution.

$$sY - 3 - 2Y = G$$

$$Y(s-2) = G + 3$$

$$Y = \frac{G}{s-2} + \frac{3}{s-2}$$

$$\text{so } y = g(t) * e^{2t} + 3e^{2t}$$

- (b) 2 If $g(t) = 2t + 3$, find the solution by evaluating the convolution integral you found in (a).

$$y = (2t+3) * e^{2t} + 3e^{2t}$$

$$= 3e^{2t} + \int_0^t (2(t-v) + 3) e^{2v} dv = 3e^{2t} + \left[(2t-2v+3) \frac{1}{2} e^{2v} \Big|_0^t + \int_0^t e^{2v} dv \right]$$

$$= 3e^{2t} - (2t+3) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{3}{2} e^{2t} + \frac{e^{2v}}{2} \Big|_0^t = 5e^{2t} - t - 2$$

3. [2] Assume $g(t)$ is piecewise continuous and of exponential order and consider the initial value problem

$$y'' - y = g(t), \quad y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 2.$$

Find the solution. Express your solution in terms of a convolution.

$$\begin{aligned} s^2 Y - 2 - Y &= G(s) & y &= g(t) * e^t * e^{-t} + e^t * e^{-t} \\ Y(s^2 - 1) &= G(s) + 2 & & \text{--- or ---} \\ Y &= G(s) \left(\frac{1}{s^2 - 1} \right) + \frac{2}{s^2 - 1} & & = g(t) * (e^t - e^{-t}) + e^t - e^{-t} \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\frac{2}{s^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{s - 1} - \frac{1}{s + 1}$

4. Consider a mass-spring system sitting in front of a cuckoo clock. After π seconds the time is exactly 1 pm. The cuckoo comes out of the clock and strikes the system exerting an impulse on the mass. The system is governed by the symbolic initial value problem

$$x'' + 4x = 2\delta(t - \pi), \quad x(0) = 0, x'(0) = -2, \quad (1)$$

where $x(t)$ measures the displacement from the equilibrium.

- (a) [2] Determine $x(t)$, i.e. solve the symbolic initial value problem (1).

$$s^2 X + 2 + 4X = 2e^{-\pi s}$$

$$X = e^{-\pi s} \cdot \frac{2}{s^2 + 4} - \frac{2}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$x = u(t - \pi) \sin(2t - 2\pi) - \sin 2t$$

$$= u(t - \pi) \sin 2t - \sin 2t$$

- (b) [1] Carefully sketch a graph of $x(t)$ for $t \in [0, 2\pi]$.

[HINT: sine is periodic.]

