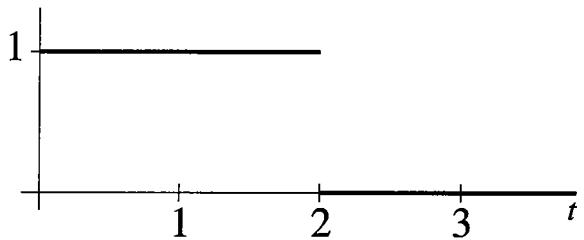


- I. The figure to the right shows the graph of a function  $f(t)$ . Using the *definition* of the Laplace transform to calculate  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} &= \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^2 e^{-st} \cdot 1 dt + \int_2^\infty e^{-st} \cdot 0 dt \\ &= -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \Big|_0^2 + 0 = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{e^{-2s}}{s}\end{aligned}$$



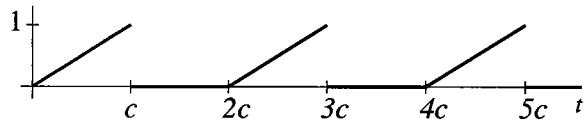
- II. For the function  $f(t)$  shown in the previous problem, write an expression for  $f(t)$  using the Heaviside step function  $u_2(t)$ , and use this expression and formulas from your table of Laplace transforms to calculate the Laplace transform of  $f(t)$ .

$$f(t) = 1 - u_2(t)$$

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

- III. Calculate the Laplace transform of this periodic function:

$$(6) \text{ period} = 2c$$



$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{1}{1-e^{-2cs}} \int_0^{2c} e^{-st} f(t) dt.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{2c} e^{-st} f(t) dt &= \int_0^c e^{-st} \cdot \frac{t}{c} dt + \int_c^{2c} e^{-st} \cdot 0 dt \\ &= -\frac{t}{cs} e^{-st} \Big|_0^c + \frac{1}{cs} \int_0^c e^{-st} dt + 0 \\ &= -\frac{1}{s} e^{-cs} + -\frac{1}{cs^2} e^{-st} \Big|_0^c = -\frac{1}{s} e^{-cs} - \frac{1}{cs^2} e^{-cs} + \frac{1}{cs^2}\end{aligned}$$

$u = \frac{t}{c}$	$v = -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st}$
$du = \frac{1}{c} dt$	$dv = e^{-st}$

$$\text{Therefore } \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{1}{1-e^{-2cs}} \left( -\frac{1}{s} e^{-cs} - \frac{1}{cs^2} e^{-cs} + \frac{1}{cs^2} \right)$$

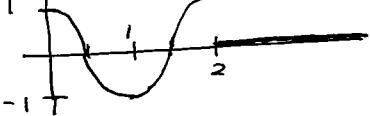
IV. Calculate the inverse Laplace transforms of the following functions.

- (16)
1.  $\frac{1}{(s-4)^5} \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^5}\right) = \frac{t^4}{4!}$   

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{(s-4)^5}\right) = \frac{e^{5t} t^4}{4!}$$
  2.  $\frac{s(1-e^{-2s})}{s^2 + \pi^2}$  (graph the resulting  $f(t)$ )  

$$\frac{s}{s^2 + \pi^2} - e^{-2s} \frac{s}{s^2 + \pi^2}$$
  

$$f(t) = \cos(\pi t) - u_2(t) \cos(\pi(t-2))$$
  

$$= \cos(\pi t) - u_2(t) \cos(\pi t - 2\pi) = \cos(\pi t) - u_2(t) \cos(\pi t)$$
  
 period of  $\cos(\pi t) = \frac{2\pi}{\pi} = 2$ , so graph is  

  3.  $\frac{s^2}{(s-1)(s-2)(s-3)} = \frac{A}{s-1} + \frac{B}{s-2} + \frac{C}{s-3}$   
 $s^2 = A(s-2)(s-3) + B(s-1)(s-3) + C(s-1)(s-2)$   
 For  $s=1$ ,  $1 = 2A$ ,  $A = \frac{1}{2}$   
 For  $s=2$ ,  $4 = -B$ ,  $B = -4$   
 For  $s=3$ ,  $9 = 2C$ ,  $C = \frac{9}{2}$   

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{s-1} - 4 \frac{1}{s-2} + \frac{9}{2} \frac{1}{s-3}\right) = \frac{1}{2} e^t - 4 e^{2t} + \frac{9}{2} e^{3t}$$

4.  $\ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{s^2}\right)$  (hint: it is best to simplify first, using properties of the logarithm function)

$$\ln\left(\frac{s^2+1}{s^2}\right) = \ln(s^2+1) - \ln(s^2)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(-t f(t)) = \frac{d}{ds} (\ln(s^2+1) - \ln(s^2)) = \frac{2s}{s^2+1} - \frac{2}{s}$$

$$-t f(t) = 2 \cos(t) - 2$$

$$f(t) = \frac{2 - 2 \cos(t)}{t}$$

- V. Use Laplace transforms to solve the following system of differential equations. Carry out the inverse transform without using partial fractions.

$$y' = x + y, \quad x' = 3y - x, \quad x(0) = 0, \quad y(0) = 1$$

$$sY - 1 = X + Y$$

$$sX = 3Y - X$$

$$-X + (s-1)Y = 1$$

$$(s+1)X - 3Y = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -1 & s-1 \\ s+1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} X = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & s-1 \\ 0 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(3 - (s^2 - 1)) X = -3$$

$$X = \frac{3}{s^2 - 4} = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{s^2 - 4}, \quad \text{so} \quad x(t) = \frac{3}{2} \sinh(2t)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -1 & s-1 \\ s+1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} Y = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ s+1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(4 - s^2) Y = -s - 1$$

$$Y = \frac{s+1}{s^2 - 4} = \frac{s}{s^2 - 4} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{s^2 - 4}$$

$$y(t) = \cosh(2t) + \frac{1}{2} \sinh(2t)$$

- VI. Use Laplace transforms to solve the following initial value problem. Express the answer using an integral involving  $f(t)$ :  $x'' + x = f(t)$ ,  $x(0) = x'(0) = 0$ .

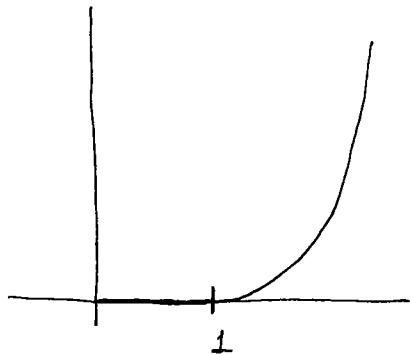
$$s^2 X + X = \mathcal{L}(f(t))$$

$$X = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} \cdot \mathcal{L}(f(t)) = \mathcal{L}(\sin(t)) \mathcal{L}(f(t))$$

$$x(t) = \sin(t) * f(t) = \int_0^t \sin(\sigma) f(t-\sigma) d\sigma$$

- VII. Use Laplace transforms to solve the following initial value problem, and **graph the solution**:  
 (6)  $x^{(3)} = 2\delta(t-1)$ ,  $x(0) = x'(0) = x''(0) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}s^3 X &= 2e^{-s} \\ X &= e^{-s} \cdot \frac{2}{s^3} = e^{-s} \mathcal{L}(t^2) \\ x(t) &= u_1(t) (t-1)^2\end{aligned}$$



- VIII. Use the definition of convolution to calculate  $(t-1)*t$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(t-1)*t &= \int_0^t (t-\sigma)(t-\sigma) d\sigma \\ &= \int_0^t -\sigma^2 + t\sigma + \sigma - t \, d\sigma \\ &= \left[ -\frac{\sigma^3}{3} + \frac{t\sigma^2}{2} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} - t\sigma \right]_0^t \\ &= -\frac{t^3}{3} + \frac{t^3}{2} + \frac{t^2}{2} - t^2 \\ &= \frac{t^3}{6} - \frac{t^2}{2}\end{aligned}$$

- IX. Write a function  $f(t)$  whose derivative is  $e^{-t^2}$  and for which  $f(0) = \sqrt{11}$ .  
 (3) By the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus,  $f(t) = \sqrt{11} + \int_0^t e^{-\sigma^2} d\sigma$