

Today

- Step and ramp functions (continued)
- The Dirac Delta function and impulse force
- (Modeling with delta-function forcing)

Step function forcing

- Solve using Laplace transforms:

$$y'' + 2y' + 10y = g(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t < 2 \text{ and } t \geq 5, \\ 1 & \text{for } 2 \leq t < 5. \end{cases}$$

$$y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0.$$

- The transformed equation is

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

$$Y(s) = \frac{e^{-2s} - e^{-5s}}{s(s^2 + 2s + 10)} = (e^{-2s} - e^{-5s})H(s).$$

- Recall that $\mathcal{L}\{u_c(t)f(t-c)\} = e^{-sc}F(s)$

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 2s + 10)}$$

$$y(t) = u_2(t)h(t-2) - u_5(t)h(t-5)$$

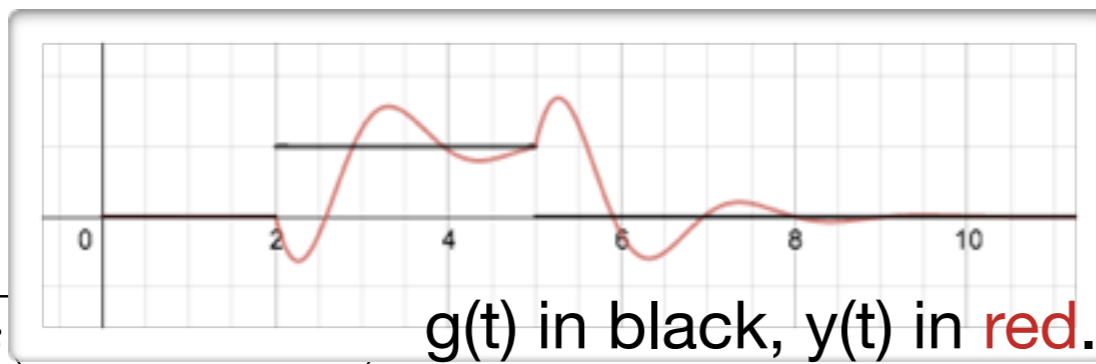
- So we just need $h(t)$ and we're done.

Step function forcing

- Inverting $H(s)$ to get $h(t)$: $H(s) = \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 2s + 10)}$

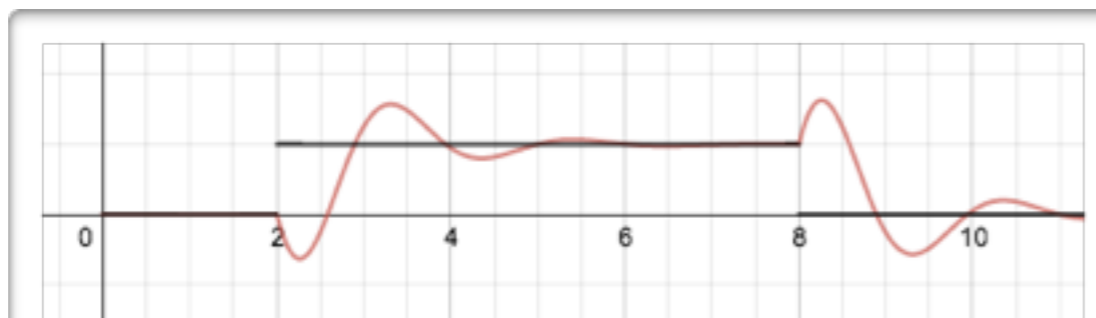
Partial fraction decomposition!

• Does



ors.

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$



$$y(t) = u_2(t)h(t - 2) - u_5(t)h(t - 5)$$

- See Supplemental notes for the rest of the calculation (pdf and video): <https://wiki.math.ubc.ca/mathbook/M256/Resources>

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{10} e^{-t} \cos(3t) - \frac{1}{30} e^{-t} \sin 3t$$

Step function forcing

- An example with a ramped forcing function: $g(t)$

Two methods:

1. Build from left to right, adding/subtracting what you need to make the next section:

$$g(t) = u_5(t) \frac{1}{5}(t - 5) - u_{10}(t) \frac{1}{5}(t - 10)$$

2. Build each section independently:

$$g(t) = (u_5(t) - u_{10}(t)) \frac{1}{5}(t - 5) + u_{10}(t) \cdot 1$$

★ (C) $g(t) = (u_5(t)(t - 5) - u_{10}(t)(t - 10))/5$


(D) $g(t) = (u_5(t)(t - 5) - u_{10}(t)(t - 10))/10$

Step function forcing

- An example with a ramped forcing function:

$$y'' + 4y = u_5(t) \frac{1}{5}(t - 5) - u_{10}(t) \frac{1}{5}(t - 10)$$

$$y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0.$$

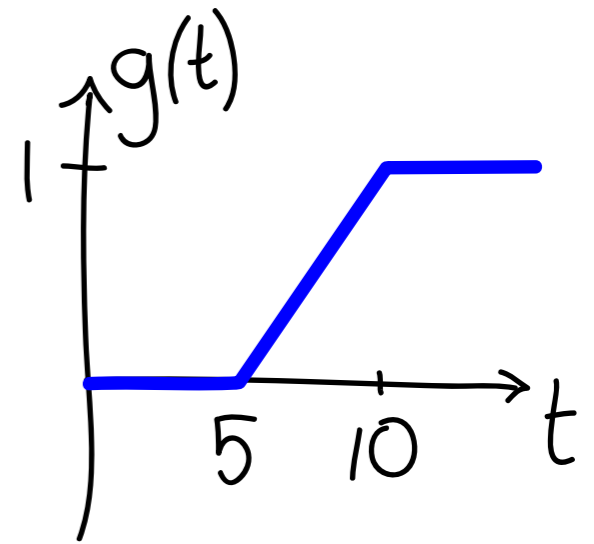
 $s^2 Y + 4Y = \frac{1}{5} \frac{e^{-5s} - e^{-10s}}{s^2}$

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

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{5} [u_5(t)h(t - 5) - u_{10}(t)h(t - 10)]$$

 Find $h(t)$ given that $H(s) = \frac{1}{s^2(s^2 + 4)}$.

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{4}t - \frac{1}{8}\sin(2t)$$



Delta-function forcing

- Suppose a mass is sitting at position x and a force $g(t)$ acts on it:

$$mx'' = g(t)$$

- To find $x(t)$, integrate up:

$$\int_a^b mx'' dt = \int_a^b g(t) dt$$

$$mx' \Big|_a^b = \int_a^b g(t) dt$$

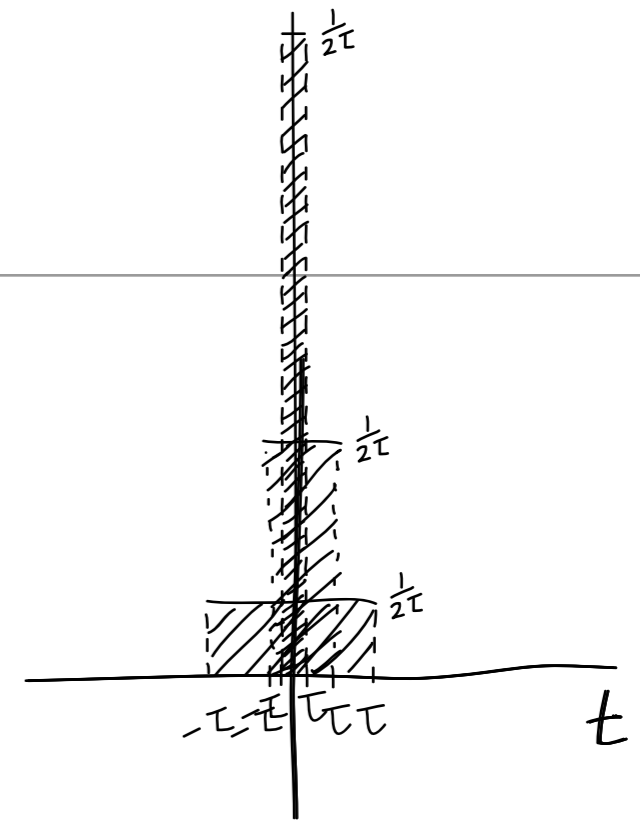
$$mv(b) - mv(a) = \int_a^b g(t) dt$$

- $\int_a^b g(t) dt$ is the change in momentum of the mass - called **impulse**.
- If the force is large and sudden (say a hammer hitting the mass), maybe we just need to get this integral correct and the details don't matter.

Delta-function forcing

• Let's assume
$$g(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{I_0}{2\tau} & -\tau < t < \tau \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$= (u_{-\tau}(t) - u_{\tau}(t)) \frac{I_0}{2\tau}$$



impulse = Δ momentum =
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) dt = \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} \frac{I_0}{2\tau} dt = I_0$$

- For general purposes (any property that might change quickly, not just momentum), we define the Dirac Delta “function” as follows:

$$d_{\tau}(t) = (u_{-\tau}(t) - u_{\tau}(t)) \frac{1}{2\tau}$$

$$g(t) = I_0 d_{\tau}(t)$$

$$\delta(t) = \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} d_{\tau}(t) = \begin{cases} \text{“}\infty\text{”} & \text{for } t = 0, \\ 0 & \text{for } t \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

- I_0 can be replaced by any type of quantity
- e.g. m_0 mass added to tank suddenly
- units of $\delta(t)$: 1 / time

Some facts about the Delta “function”

$$\int_a^b \delta(t) dt = 1 \quad a < 0, b > 0 \quad \text{and} = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(t)\delta(t) dt &= \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2\tau} \int_{-\tau}^{\tau} f(t) dt \\ &= \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{F(\tau) - F(-\tau)}{2\tau} && F'(t) = f(t) \\ &= F'(0) = f(0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_a^b f(t)\delta(t) dt = f(0) \quad a < 0, b > 0 \quad \text{and} = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

$\delta(t - c)$ = shift of $\delta(t)$ by c

$$\int_a^b f(t)\delta(t - c) dt = \int_{a+c}^{b+c} f(u + c)\delta(u) du = f(c) \quad \text{provided } a < c < b.$$

Some facts about the Delta “function”

$$\int_a^b f(t)\delta(t - c) dt = f(c)$$

Laplace transform of delta function:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t - c)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \delta(t - c) dt \\ &= \int_{-c}^{\infty} e^{-s(u+c)} \delta(u) du = e^{-sc} \text{ for } c > 0\end{aligned}$$

Relationship of delta function to other functions:

$$\frac{d}{dt}|t - c| = 2u_c(t) - 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}u_c(t) = \delta(t - c)$$