

Modelling and control summaries



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Inverse Laplace 5 – solving ODEs

TECHNIQUE FOR SOLVING ODE USING LAPLACE

1. take Laplace of every term in the ODE and form Laplace Transform of state.
2. rearrange the existing Laplace transform into the forms within the table.
3. inverse Laplace is then done as in sheets 1-4!

This sheet will demonstrate the technique using a number of examples.

EXAMPLE 1 – assume $u(t)$ is a unit step

STEP 1: Take Laplace of every term in the ODE and form Laplace Transform of state $x(t)$.

$$a \frac{dx}{dt} + bx = ku(t) \Rightarrow L[a \frac{dx}{dt} + bx] = L[ku(t)]$$

$$\Rightarrow a(sX(s) - x(0)) + bX(s) = kU(s) \Rightarrow X(s) = \frac{kU(s) + ax(0)}{as + b}$$

STEP 2: Substitute $U(s)=1/s$ and rearrange the existing Laplace transform into the forms within the table.

$$X(s) = \frac{k}{as + b} \frac{1}{s} + \frac{ax(0)}{as + b} = \frac{x(0)}{s + b/a} + \frac{k/a}{s(s + b/a)}$$

Need partial fractions

$$\Rightarrow X(s) = \frac{x(0)}{s + b/a} + \frac{k/b}{s} - \frac{k/b}{(s + b/a)}$$

After expansion

An RC circuit is modelled here. Determine the charge $q(t)$ given an applied voltage v of 12V.

$$R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} q = v(t) \quad R = 0.01, \quad C = 2 \times 10^{-5}$$

STEP 1: Take Laplace of every term in the ODE and form Laplace Transform of state $q(t)$.

$$L[R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} q] = L[v(t)] \Rightarrow R(sQX(s) - q(0)) + \frac{1}{C} Q(s) = \frac{12}{s}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q(s) = \frac{Rq(0)}{Rs + 1/C} + \frac{1}{Rs + 1/C} \frac{12}{s}$$

Need partial fractions

STEP 2: Rearrange the existing Laplace transform into the forms within the table (make denominator factors monic) and then do partial fractions as required.

$$Q(s) = \frac{q(0)}{s + 1/RC} + \frac{1/R}{s + 1/RC} \frac{12}{s} = \frac{q(0)}{s + 1/RC} + \frac{12C}{s} - \frac{12C}{s + 1/RC}$$

Hence

$$q(t) = (q(0) - 12C)e^{-\frac{t}{RC}} + 12C = (q(0) - 2.4 \times 10^{-4})e^{-\frac{10^7 t}{2}} + 2.4 \times 10^{-4}$$

<p>A suspension unit is modelled here. Determine the displacement $x(t)$ given an applied force $f=100N$, $x(0)=0$, $dx/dt(0)=0$.</p>	$500 \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2000 \frac{dx}{dt} + 1500x = 0.2f$
<p>STEP 1: Take Laplace of every term in the ODE and form Laplace Transform of state $x(t)$.</p>	$500[s^2 X(s) + 4sX(s) + 3X(s)] = 0.2F(s) + 500s\dot{x}(0) + 2000x(0)$ $\Rightarrow X(s) = \frac{0.2F(s) + 500s\dot{x}(0) + 2000x(0)}{500[s^2 + 4s + 3]}$ $\Rightarrow X(s) = \frac{0.04}{s[s^2 + 4s + 3]} + \frac{s\dot{x}(0) + 4x(0)}{[s^2 + 4s + 3]}$
<p>STEP 2: Substitute $F(s)=100/s$, $x(0)=0$, $dx/dt(0)=0$, and rearrange the existing Laplace transform into the forms within the table.</p>	$\frac{0.04}{s[s^2 + 4s + 3]} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+1} + \frac{C}{s+3}; \quad \frac{s+8}{[s^2 + 4s + 3]} = \frac{D}{s+1} + \frac{E}{s+3}$ <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid green; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; background-color: #4b0000; color: white; text-align: center;">Solve for A,B,C using cover-up rule or otherwise.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid green; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; background-color: #4b0000; color: white; text-align: center;">D,E depend only on initial conditions</div> </div> $x(t) = (A + B + D)e^{-t} + (C + E)e^{-3t}$ $A = \frac{1}{75}, B = \frac{1}{50}, C = \frac{1}{150}; \quad D = 3.5, \quad E = -2.5$

<p>An tank system with inflow $F(t)$ and depth h is modelled. Determine the depth for a sinusoidal in flow $f(t)$. Assume zero initial conditions.</p>	$4 \frac{dh}{dt} + 0.02h = 0.04F; \quad F = 0.2 \sin 0.01t$
<p>STEP 1: Take Laplace of every term in the ODE and form Laplace Transform of state $h(t)$.</p>	$[4sH(s) + 0.02H(s)] = 0.04F(s); \quad F(s) = \frac{0.01 \times 0.2}{s^2 + 0.01^2}$ $\Rightarrow H(s) = \frac{2 \times 10^{-5}}{(s + 0.005)(s^2 + 0.01^2)}$
<p>STEP 2: Rearrange the existing Laplace transform into the forms within the table and hence solve.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid green; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; background-color: #4b0000; color: white; margin-top: 10px;">Solve for A,B,C using cover-up rule and expansion.</div>	$H(s) = \frac{2 \times 10^{-5}}{(s + 0.005)(s^2 + 0.01^2)} = \frac{A}{(s + 0.005)} + \frac{0.01B}{s^2 + 0.01^2} + \frac{Cs}{s^2 + 0.01^2}$ <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> $A = 2 \times 10^{-5} / [0.005^2 + 0.01^2] = 2 \times 10^{-5} / 125 \times 10^{-6} = 0.16$ $A(s^2 + 0.01^2) + (0.01B + Cs)(s + 0.005) = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ $C = -A, \quad 0.005C + 0.01B = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0.08$ </div> $h(t) = Ae^{-0.005t} + B \sin 0.01t + C \cos 0.01t$