

Introductory Control Systems

Exercises #3 – Laplace Transforms and Ordinary Differential Equations

Ordinary Differential Equations

The *dynamics* of some physical systems are modeled by the following *second-order, ordinary differential equations*. Using *Laplace transforms*, find the response of the system to the given input. In each case, assume the initial conditions are $x(0) = \dot{x}(0) = 0$. Use partial fraction expansions as necessary. A table of common Laplace transforms is provided above in the notes. Identify the transient and steady-state parts of the response.

Note that, in general, Laplace transforms can be applied to systems of *any order* and to systems with *nonzero* initial conditions. Whereas the *order* of the differential equation generally *changes* from system to system, control system response is most often studied starting at *zero initial conditions*.

1. $\ddot{x} + 4\dot{x} + 20x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 100(1 - e^{-5t})$.

$$\text{Answer: } x(t) = \underbrace{5}_{\text{steady-state}} - \underbrace{4e^{-5t} - 5.59e^{-2t} \sin(4t + 0.1799)}_{\text{transient}}$$

2. $\ddot{x} + 4\dot{x} = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 130 e^{-3t} \sin(2t)$.

$$\text{Answer: } x(t) = \underbrace{5}_{\text{steady-state}} - \underbrace{13e^{-4t} + 16.1e^{-3t} \sin(2t + 2.62)}_{\text{transient}}$$

3. $\ddot{x} + 5\dot{x} + 6x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 104 \sin(2t)$.

$$\text{Answer: } x(t) = \underbrace{26e^{-2t} - 16e^{-3t}}_{\text{transient}} - \underbrace{10.2 \sin(2t + 1.77)}_{\text{steady-state}}$$

4. $\ddot{x} + 6\dot{x} + 13x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 130(1 - e^{-4t})$.

$$\text{Answer: } x(t) = \underbrace{10}_{\text{steady-state}} - \underbrace{26e^{-4t} - 32.25e^{-3t} \sin(2t + 2.623)}_{\text{transient}}$$

5. $\ddot{x} + 8\dot{x} + 12x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 260 \sin(4t)$.

$$\text{Answer: } x(t) = \underbrace{13e^{-2t} - 5e^{-6t}}_{\text{transient}} - \underbrace{8.06 \sin(4t + 1.45)}_{\text{steady-state}}$$

6. $\ddot{x} + 4\dot{x} + 25x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 60e^{-5t}$.

$$\text{Answer: } x(t) = \underbrace{2e^{-5t} - 2.39e^{-2t} \sin(\sqrt{21}t + 2.15)}_{\text{transient}}$$

7. $\ddot{x} + 4\dot{x} + 20x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 100(1 - e^{-5t})$.

$$\text{Answer: } x(t) = \underbrace{5}_{\text{steady-state}} - \underbrace{4e^{-5t} - 5.59e^{-2t} \sin(4t + 0.1799)}_{\text{transient}}$$

8. $\ddot{x} + 6\dot{x} + 16x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 32(1 - e^{-2t})$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{2}_{\text{steady-state}} \underbrace{-4e^{-2t} + 2.138e^{-3t} \sin(\sqrt{7}t + 1.932)}_{\text{transient}}$

9. $\ddot{x} + 6\dot{x} + 8x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 1189 \cos(5t)$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{-41e^{-2t} + 58e^{-4t}}_{\text{transient}} \underbrace{-34.48 \sin(5t + 2.626)}_{\text{steady-state}}$ or $x(t) = \underbrace{-41e^{-2t} + 58e^{-4t}}_{\text{transient}} \underbrace{-17 \cos(5t) + 30 \sin(5t)}_{\text{steady-state}}$

10. $\ddot{x} + 4\dot{x} + 40x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 400e^{-10t}$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{4e^{-10t} - \frac{40}{6}e^{-2t} \sin(6t + 2.498)}_{\text{transient}}$

11. $\ddot{x} + 10\dot{x} + 89x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 136e^{-7t}$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{2e^{-7t} - \frac{\sqrt{17}}{2}e^{-5t} \sin(8t + 1.8158)}_{\text{transient}}$

12. $\ddot{x} + 8\dot{x} + 12x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 260 \sin(4t)$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{13e^{-2t} - 5e^{-6t}}_{\text{transient}} \underbrace{-8.06 \sin(4t + 1.45)}_{\text{steady-state}}$

13. $\ddot{x} + 6\dot{x} + 25x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 425(1 - e^{-2t})$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{17}_{\text{steady-state}} \underbrace{-25e^{-2t} + 10.3e^{-3t} \sin(4t + 2.25)}_{\text{transient}}$

14. $\ddot{x} + 9x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 720(e^{-t} - e^{-3t})$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{72e^{-t} - 40e^{-3t}}_{\text{transient}} \underbrace{-35.8 \sin(3t + 1.11)}_{\text{steady-state}}$

15. $\ddot{x} + 4\dot{x} = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 130e^{-3t} \sin(2t)$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{5}_{\text{steady-state}} \underbrace{-13e^{-4t} - 16.12e^{-3t} \sin(2t + 2.618)}_{\text{transient}}$

16. $\ddot{x} + 5\dot{x} + 4x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 240e^{-3t} \cos(2t)$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{20e^{-t} + 16e^{-4t} - 37.95e^{-3t} \sin(2t + 1.249)}_{\text{transient}}$

17. $\ddot{x} + 4x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 208(e^{-2t} - e^{-3t})$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{26e^{-2t} - 16e^{-3t}}_{\text{transient}} \underbrace{-10.2 \sin(2t + 1.77)}_{\text{steady-state}}$

18. $\ddot{x} + 5\dot{x} + 6x = f(t)$ with input $f(t) = 25\sin(4t)$.

Answer: $x(t) = \underbrace{5e^{-2t} - 4e^{-3t}}_{\text{transient}} - \underbrace{1.118\sin(4t + 1.107)}_{\text{steady-state}}$ or $x(t) = \underbrace{5e^{-2t} - 4e^{-3t}}_{\text{transient}} - \underbrace{\cos(4t) - 0.5\sin(4t)}_{\text{steady-state}}$

Partial Fraction Expansions

For each of the systems below, identify the **general form** of the partial fraction expansion of $Y(s)$ and the **general forms** of the **steady-state** and **transient** parts of the inverse Laplace transform $y(t)$. Finally, using the **final value theorem**, find $y_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (y(t))$ the steady-state value of $y(t)$.

Note that just knowing the **form** of the **partial fraction expansion** gives the analyst an idea of **what kind of response** to expect from the system.

1. $Y(s) = \frac{33(s^2 + 2s + 8)}{s(s+3)(s^2 + 12s + 100)}$

Answers: $Y(s) = \frac{K_1}{s} + \frac{K_2}{s+3} + \frac{As+B}{(s+6)^2 + 8^2}$; $y(t) = \underbrace{K_1}_{\text{steady-state}} + \underbrace{K_2e^{-3t} + K_3e^{-6t}\sin(8t + \phi)}_{\text{transient}}$; $y_{ss} = 0.88$

2. $Y(s) = \frac{10(s^3 + 6s^2 + 2s + 12)}{s(s+3)(s^2 + 16)}$

Answers: $Y(s) = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+3} + \frac{Cs+D}{s^2 + 4^2}$; $y(t) = \underbrace{A}_{\text{steady-state}} + \underbrace{Be^{-3t}}_{\text{transient}} + \underbrace{E\sin(4t + \phi)}_{\text{steady-state}}$; No final value exists

3. $Y(s) = \frac{15(s^2 + 12s + 20)}{(s+2)(s^2 + 9)(s^2 + 8s + 52)}$

Answers: $Y(s) = \frac{K}{s+2} + \frac{As+B}{s^2 + 9} + \frac{Cs+D}{(s+4)^2 + 6^2}$; $y(t) = \underbrace{Ke^{-2t} + Ee^{-4t}\sin(6t + \phi_1)}_{\text{transient}} + \underbrace{F\sin(3t + \phi_2)}_{\text{steady-state}}$

No final value exists

4. $Y(s) = \frac{135(s^2 + 4s + 10)}{s(s+2)(s^2 + 10s + 30)(s^2 + 4s + 25)}$

Answers: $Y(s) = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+2} + \frac{Cs+D}{(s+5)^2 + 5} + \frac{Es+F}{(s+2)^2 + 21}$; $y(t) = A + \underbrace{Be^{-2t} + Ge^{-5t}\sin(\sqrt{5}t + \phi_1)}_{\text{transient}} + \underbrace{He^{-2t}\sin(\sqrt{21}t + \phi_2)}_{\text{steady-state}}$; $y_{ss} = 0.9$

5. $Y(s) = \frac{15(s^2 + 8s + 12)}{(s+2)(s^2 + 16)(s^2 + 6s + 45)}$

Answers: $Y(s) = \frac{K}{s+2} + \frac{As+B}{s^2 + 16} + \frac{Cs+D}{(s+3)^2 + 6^2}$; $y(t) = \underbrace{Ke^{-2t}}_{\text{over-damped}} + \underbrace{E\sin(4t + \phi_1) + Fe^{-3t}\sin(6t + \phi_2)}_{\text{under-damped}}$

No final value exists

$$6. Y(s) = \frac{120(s+10)}{(s+2)(s^2+25)(s^2+6s+25)}$$

$$\text{Answers: } Y(s) = \frac{K}{s+2} + \frac{As+B}{s^2+25} + \frac{Cs+D}{(s+3)^2+16}; \quad y(t) = \underbrace{Ke^{-2t}}_{\text{over-damped}} + \underbrace{E \sin(5t + \phi_1) + Fe^{-3t} \sin(4t + \phi_2)}_{\text{under-damped}}$$

No final value exists

$$7. Y(s) = \frac{4(s^3+4s^2+3s+12)}{(s+5)(s^2+16)(s^2+8s+25)}$$

$$\text{Answers: } Y(s) = \frac{K}{s+5} + \frac{As+B}{s^2+16} + \frac{Cs+D}{(s+4)^2+9}; \quad y(t) = \underbrace{Ke^{-5t}}_{\text{over-damped}} + \underbrace{E \sin(4t + \phi_1) + Fe^{-4t} \sin(3t + \phi_2)}_{\text{under-damped}}$$

No final value exists

$$8. Y(s) = \frac{15(s^2+9s+21)}{(s+1)(s+6)(s^2+6s+25)}$$

$$\text{Answers: } Y(s) = \frac{K_1}{s+1} + \frac{K_2}{s+6} + \frac{As+B}{(s+3)^2+4^2}; \quad y(t) = \underbrace{K_1e^{-t} + K_2e^{-6t}}_{\text{over-damped}} + \underbrace{Ce^{-3t} \sin(4t + \phi)}_{\text{under-damped}}; \quad y_{ss} = 0$$

$$9. Y(s) = \frac{4(s^2+7s+15)}{s(s+5)(s^2+6s+13)}$$

$$\text{Answers: } Y(s) = \frac{K_1}{s} + \frac{K_2}{s+5} + \frac{As+B}{(s+3)^2+2^2}; \quad y(t) = K_1 + K_2e^{-5t} + K_3e^{-3t} \sin(2t + \phi); \quad y_{ss} = 0.9231$$

$$10. Y(s) = \frac{120(s+10)}{s(s^2+10s+74)(s^2+4s+20)}$$

$$\text{Answers: } Y(s) = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs+C}{(s+5)^2+4^2} + \frac{Ds+E}{(s+2)^2+16}; \quad y(t) = A + \underbrace{Fe^{-5t}}_{\text{transient}} \sin(7t + \phi_1) + \underbrace{Ge^{-2t}}_{\text{transient}} \sin(4t + \phi_2)$$

$$y_{ss} = 0.8108$$

$$11. Y(s) = \frac{20(s^3+5s^2+20s+10)}{s(s+5)(s^2+8s+52)}$$

$$\text{Answers: } Y(s) = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+5} + \frac{Cs+D}{(s+4)^2+6^2}; \quad y(t) = \underbrace{A}_{\text{steady-state}} + \underbrace{Be^{-5t}}_{\text{transient}} + \underbrace{Ee^{-4t} \sin(6t + \phi)}_{\text{transient}}; \quad y_{ss} = 0.7692$$

$$12. Y(s) = \frac{4(s^2+10s+24)}{(s+3)(s^2+12s+52)}$$

$$\text{Answers: } Y(s) = \frac{K}{s+3} + \frac{As+B}{(s+6)^2+4^2}; \quad y(t) = \underbrace{Ke^{-3t}}_{\text{over-damped}} + \underbrace{Ce^{-6t} \sin(4t + \phi_1)}_{\text{under-damped}}; \quad y_{ss} = 0$$