

## 7.4 (continued)

multiplication: if  $\mathcal{L}\{h(t)\} = F(s)G(s)$ , what is  $h(t)$ ?

it is NOT  $f(t)g(t)$  in general

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)g(t)\} \neq F(s)G(s)$$

it is actually, the convolution integral

$$f(t) * g(t) = \int_0^t f(\tau)g(t-\tau)d\tau = \int_0^t f(t-\tau)g(\tau)d\tau$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t) * g(t)\} = F(s)G(s)$$

this integral has some important meanings we will see in 7.6

for now, it's an alternative to perform inverse Laplace transform

for example,  $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s(s^2+1)} \right\}$

option 1: partial fraction

$$\frac{1}{s(s^2+1)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs+C}{s^2+1}$$

option 2: integral property

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\frac{1}{s^2+1}}{s} \right\} = \int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau$$

↑ invert

option 3: convolution

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \underbrace{\frac{1}{s}}_{F(s)} \underbrace{\frac{1}{s^2+1}}_{G(s)} \right\}$$

$$f(t) = 1$$

$$g(t) = \sin(t)$$

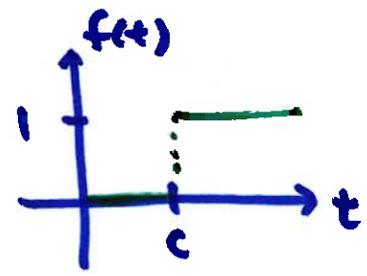
$$= \int_0^t \underbrace{1}_{f(\tau)} \cdot \underbrace{\sin(t-\tau)}_{g(t-\tau)} d\tau = \int_0^t \underbrace{1}_{f(t-\tau)} \cdot \underbrace{\sin(\tau)}_{g(\tau)} d\tau = -\cos(\tau) \Big|_0^t = -\cos(t) + 1$$

## 7.5 Discontinuous Input Functions

$a y'' + b y' + c y = f(t)$  discontinuous is ok as long as it's piecewise continuous

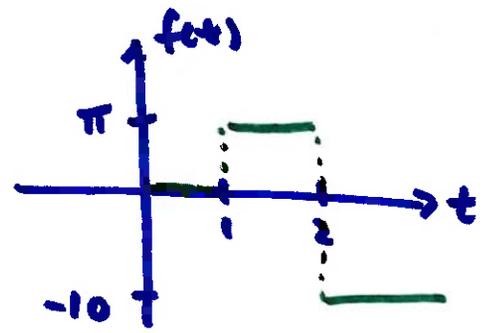
one tool: unit step function

$$u_c(t) = u(t-c) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t \geq c \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$



we can write many functions in terms of  $u_c(t)$

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ \pi & 1 \leq t < 2 \\ -10 & 2 \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$$



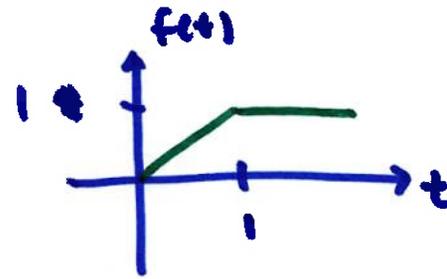
reset to 0

$$= 0 + u_1(t) (\pi) + u_2(t) (-\pi - 10)$$

↑ switch on at  $t=1$     
 ↑ this happens at  $t=1$     
 ↑ what we want

try this one:

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} t & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 1 & t \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



$$= t + u_1(t) (-t + 1)$$

reset to 0      desired level

$$\mathcal{L}\{u_c(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} u_c(t) e^{-st} dt \quad u_c = \begin{cases} 0 & t < c \\ 1 & t \geq c \end{cases}$$

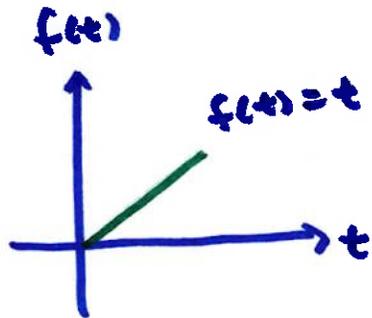
$$= \int_0^c 0 \cdot e^{-st} dt + \int_c^{\infty} 1 \cdot e^{-st} dt$$

$$= -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \Big|_{t=c}^{t=\infty} = \frac{1}{s} e^{-sc}$$

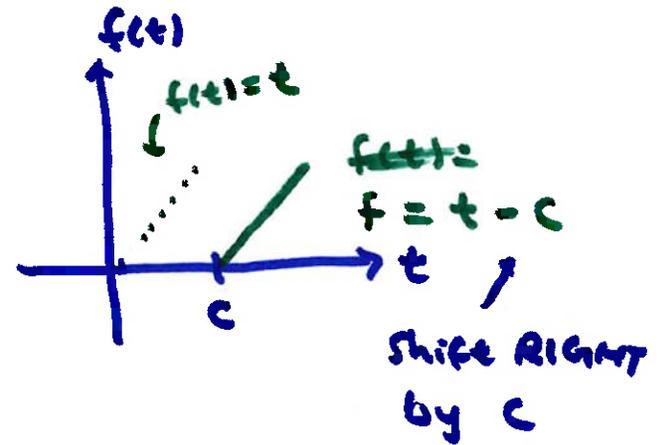
$$\mathcal{L}\{u_c(t)\} = e^{-cs} \frac{1}{s}$$

more general:  $\mathcal{L}\{u_c(t) f(t-c)\}$

delayed activation  
of  $f(t)$  by  $c$



same shape of  $t$   
at later time



$$\mathcal{L}\{u_c(t) f(t-c)\} = \int_0^{\infty} u_c(t) f(t-c) e^{-st} dt$$

$$u_c = \begin{cases} 0 & t < c \\ 1 & t \geq c \end{cases}$$

$$= \int_c^{\infty} f(t-c) e^{-st} dt$$

$$\text{let } \tau = t-c \quad t = \tau + c \\ d\tau = dt$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} f(\tau) e^{-s(\tau+c)} d\tau$$

$$= e^{-sc} \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} f(\tau) e^{-s\tau} d\tau}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(\tau)\} = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$$

$\tau$  is variable, so rename

$$\mathcal{L}\{u_c(t) f(t-c)\} = e^{-cs} \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$$

transform  $f(t-c)$  shifted back  
to origin: change  $t$  to  $t+c$   
(RIGHT shift by  $c$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{u_1(t) \underbrace{(1-t)}_{f(t-1)}\} &= e^{-s} \mathcal{L}\left\{ \underbrace{1-(t+1)}_{f(t)} \right\} \\ &= e^{-s} \mathcal{L}\{-t\} = \frac{-e^{-s}}{s^2} \end{aligned}$$