

# Laplace transforms

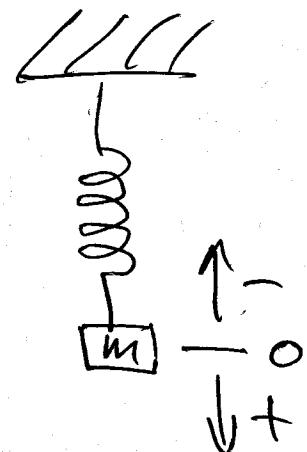
## Forcing functions

- second order linear equations w/const coeffs model many kinds of oscillatory motion
- mass + spring systems.
- electrical circuits

## Mass + Spring systems

$$m u'' + \gamma u' + bu = F$$

mass      damping      spring      Forcing  
const.      const.      function



$u(t)$  = displacement  
at time  $t$ .

### A. Unforced systems.

1. undamped  $\gamma = 0$ .

oscillatory motion  $u(t) = R \cos(\omega_0 t - \delta)$

$\omega_0$  - natural frequency  $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$

$R, \delta$  depend on initial conditions.

2. Damping  $\gamma > 0$ .

a. small damping  ~~$0 < \gamma < 2\sqrt{mk}$~~   
damped oscillations

b. critical or over damped  $\gamma \geq 2\sqrt{mk}$   
decaying solutions - no oscillation

B. Forced systems  $F \neq 0$ .

1. Un damped  $\gamma = 0$

Periodic forcing

$$F = F_0 \cos \omega t$$

a.  $\omega = \omega_0 \rightarrow$  resonance

and  $u(t) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

b.  $\omega \neq \omega_0 \rightarrow$  beat

2. Damped  $\gamma > 0$

$$mu'' + \gamma u' + bu = F_0 \cos \omega t \quad \omega + \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$u(t) = R_1 e^{-\gamma t / 2m} \cos(\mu t - \delta_1) \quad R_1, S_1 \text{ depend on initial cond.}$$

↑ quasi-frequency,

$$+ (A \cos \omega t + B \sin \omega t)$$

dies out  
as  $t \rightarrow \infty$   
(transient solution)

$$R_2 \cos(\omega t - \delta_2) \leftarrow \text{Persists}$$

↑  
How does  $R_2$  (steady-state solution)  
depend on  $\omega$  and  $F_0$ ?

After some work:

$$R_2 = \left( \frac{F_0}{k} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{\left( 1 - \left( \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \right)^2 \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\gamma^2}{mb} \right) \left( \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \right)^2} \right]^{1/2}$$

If  $\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}$  is very small then  $[-] \approx 1$

and  $R_2 \approx \frac{F_0}{k}$ .  $\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}$  small means forcing has low frequency (slow oscillations)

If  $\frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \approx 1$  then  $R_2 \approx \frac{F_0}{k} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{mb}}{\gamma}$

so oscillations are large if  $\gamma$  is small i.e. small damping

If  $\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}$  very large then forcing has very fast oscillations and ~~R<sub>2</sub>~~  $[-]$  is very small so  $R_2$  is very small.

## 6.4 Discontinuous Forcing Functions

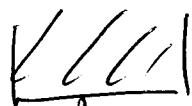
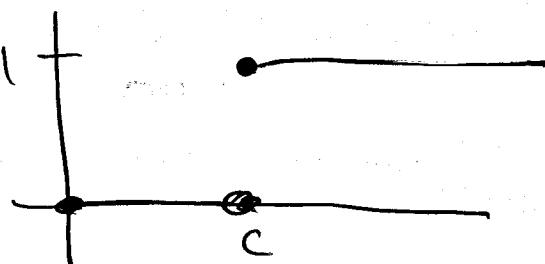
We have looked at periodic forcing.

What would discontinuous forcing look like?

$$\delta = 0.$$

$$mu'' + \cancel{\delta u'} + bu = g(t)$$

$$u(0) = 1, u'(0) = 0$$



discont forcing  
is like suddenly  
increasing gravity  
(or changing the  
mass, or turning  
 $\downarrow F$  on floor magnet,  
etc.)

$$u_c(t) = g(t)$$

(1) oscillatory motion for  $0 \leq t < c$

solving  $mu'' + bu = 0, u(0) = 1, u'(0) = 0$

$$y_A(t) = R \cos(\omega t - \delta) = \cos(\omega t)$$

$$R \uparrow \quad L \quad \delta = 0$$

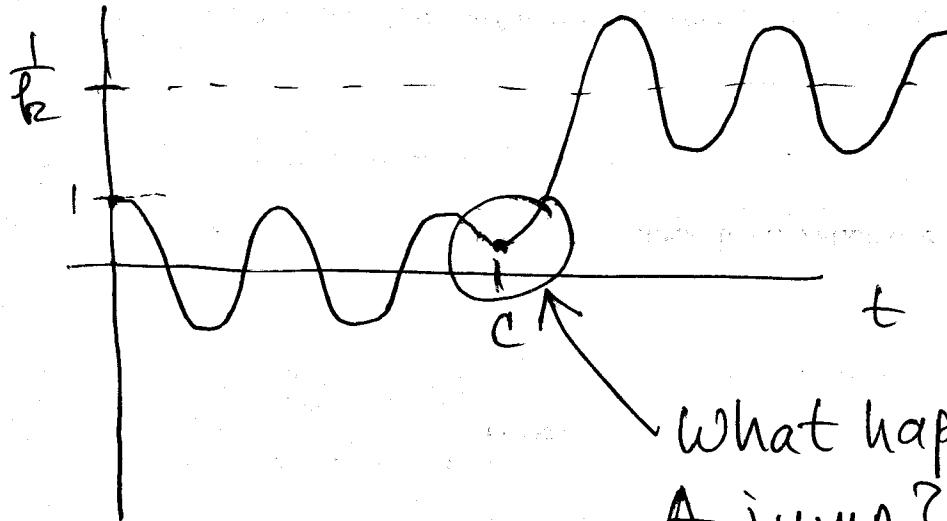
(2) at  $t = c$  we are solving

$mu'' + bu = 1$  with new initial conditions

$$u(c) = y_A(c) \quad u'(c) = y_A'(c)$$

What will solution look like?

$$y_B(t) = \underbrace{R_1 \cos(\omega_0 t - \delta_1)}_{\text{homogeneous solution}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{k}}_{\text{particular solution}}$$



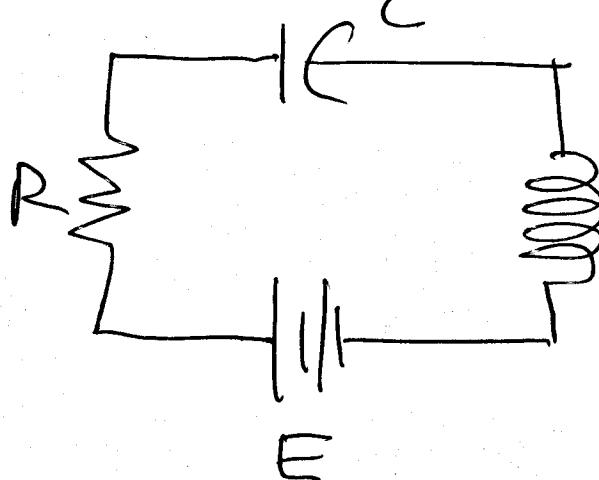
What happens at  $t=c$ ?

A jump? NO

A corner? NO

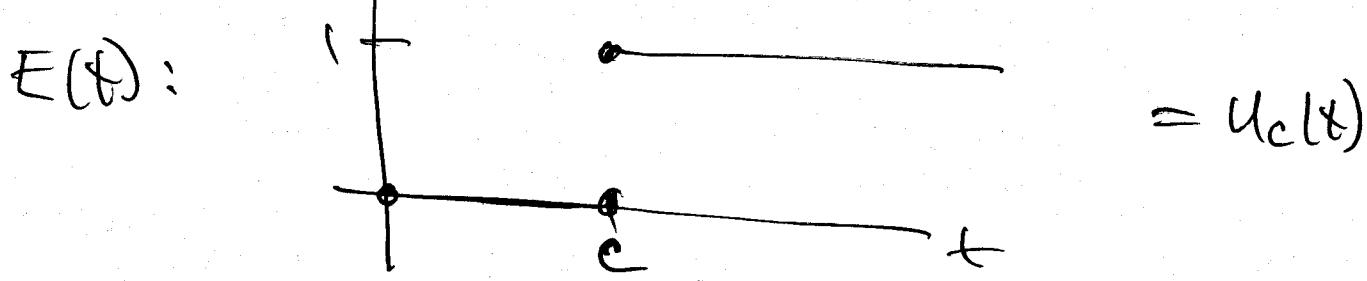
A discontinuous second derivative? YES.

### Electrical circuit



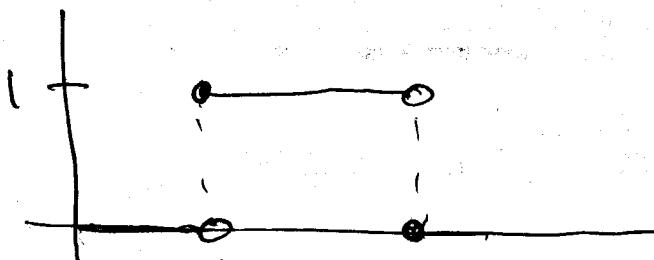
$$LQ'' + RQ' + \frac{1}{C}Q = E$$

$Q$  - charge on capacitor

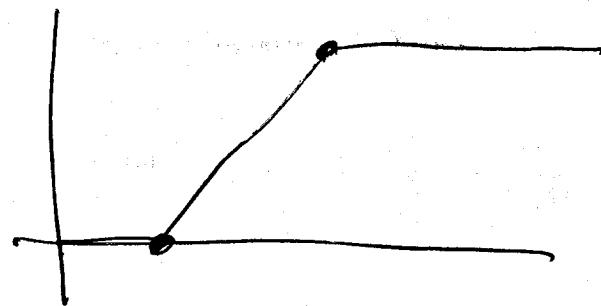


this is like flipping on a switch.

Other examples:

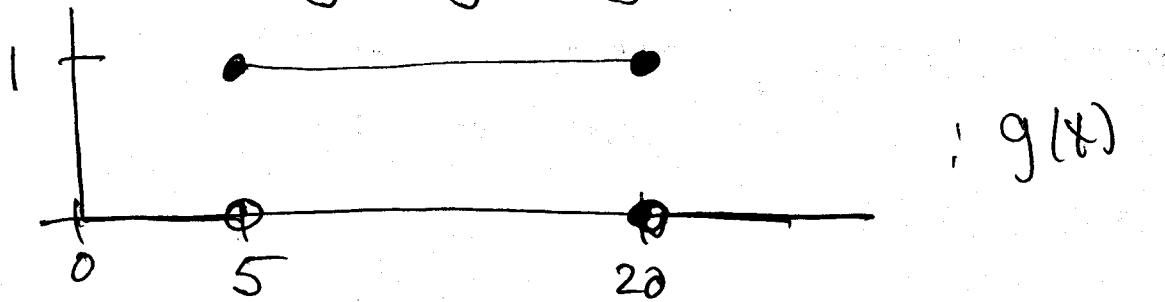


impulsive force



ramp loading

e.g. 1  $2y'' + y' + 2y = u_5(t) - u_{20}(t) = g(t)$



$$y(0)=0, y'(0)=0$$

$$2\mathcal{L}\{y''\} + \mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 2\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{u_5\} - \mathcal{L}\{u_{20}\}$$

$$2(s^2\mathcal{L}\{y\} - sy(0) - y'(0)) + s\mathcal{L}\{y\} - y(0) + 2\mathcal{L}\{y\} \\ = \mathcal{L}\{u_5\} - \mathcal{L}\{u_{20}\}$$

$$(2s^2 + s + 2)\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{1}{s}(e^{-5s} - e^{-20s})$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{e^{-5s} - e^{-20s}}{s(2s^2 + s + 2)}$$

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

$$A(2s^2 + s + 2) + s(Bs + C) = 1 \quad s=0$$

$$2A = 1 \rightarrow \underline{\underline{A = \frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\frac{d}{ds}: A(4s + 1) + 2Bs + C = 0 \quad s=0$$

$$A + C = 0 \rightarrow \underline{\underline{C = -\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{ds^2}: 4A + 2B = 0 \rightarrow \underline{\underline{B = -1}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y\} = (e^{-5s} - e^{-20s}) \left( \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{s} - \frac{s + \frac{1}{2}}{2s^2 + s + 2} \right)$$

$$= (e^{-5s} - e^{-20s}) \left( \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{s + \frac{1}{2}}{s^2 + \frac{1}{2}s + 1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (e^{-5s} - e^{-20s}) \left( \frac{1}{s} - \frac{(s + \frac{1}{4}) + \frac{1}{4}}{(s + \frac{1}{4})^2 + \frac{15}{16}} \right)$$

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~~$\mathcal{L}^{-1}$~~  ( ) =  $1 - e^{-t/4} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{15}}{4}t\right) - \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{\sqrt{15}} e^{-t/4} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{15}}{4}t\right)$

$$= h(t)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{1}{2} (e^{-5s} - e^{-20s}) \mathcal{L}\{h(t)\},$$