

- Same conclusion can be obtained using the Laplace transform approach

$$g(y', y) = f(t); y(0) = 0$$

- Since the initial conditions are zero the Laplace transform of the equation will give:

$$Lg((y', y)) = (L(y)h(s)) = L(f(t)) = F(s)$$

$$L(y) = \frac{F(s)}{h(s)} \Rightarrow y = L^{-1} \left( \frac{F(s)}{h(s)} \right)$$

- Now look at

$$g(y', C) = \delta(t); y(0) = 0$$

- Take Laplace transform on both sides to get:

$$L(y) = \frac{1}{h(s)} \Rightarrow y = L^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{h(s)} \right) \equiv y^*$$

- From previous slide

$$y = f(t) * L^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{h(s)} \right)$$

- Solution of the governing equation is the convolution of the RHS and the solution of the equation with the delta function on the RHS.

- Convolution of two functions is defined as

$$k(t) * j(t) = \int_0^t k(\tau)j(t - \tau)d\tau = \int_0^t k(t - \tau)j(\tau)d\tau$$

- Above can be obtained by using a change of variables i.e.  $p=t- \tau$  and a little algebra
- It is stated here without proof that

$$L^{-1} \left( \frac{F(s)}{h(s)} \right) = L^{-1}(F(s)) * L^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{h(s)} \right) = f(t) * L^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{h(s)} \right)$$

- Laplace inverse of a product of functions is the convolution of the inverse of the individual functions

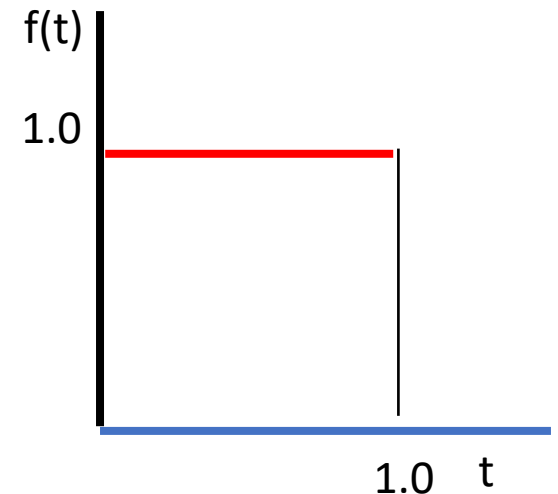
$$y^*(t) = L^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{h(s)} \right) \Rightarrow y(t) = \int_0^t f(\tau)y^*(t - \tau)d\tau$$

Consider the same example as earlier

$$y' = ay + f(t) \quad \begin{aligned} f(t) &= 1 & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ &= 0 & t > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy^*}{dt} = ay^* + \delta(t)$$

$$y^*(0) = 0 \quad y^* = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \frac{1}{(s-a)} = e^{at}$$



$$y = f(t) \star e^{a(t)} = \int_0^t f(\tau) e^{a(t-\tau)} d\tau$$

For (  $t < 1$  )

$$y = \int 1 \cdot y^*(t - \tau) d\tau$$

$$y = \int_0^t e^{a(t-\tau)} d\tau = e^{at} \left[ \frac{e^{-a\tau}}{-a} \right]_0^t$$

$$y = \frac{e^{at}}{-a} [e^{-at} - 1] = \frac{e^{at}}{a} [1 - e^{-at}] = \frac{e^{at} - 1}{a}$$

For (  $t > 1$  )

$$y = \int_0^1 e^{a(t-\tau)} d\tau + \int_1^t 0 \cdot e^{a(t-\tau)} d\tau$$

In the present case is zero but in general will exist

$$y = e^{at} \left[ \frac{e^{-a\tau}}{-a} \right]_0^1 = \frac{e^{at}}{-a} [e^{-a} - 1] = \frac{e^{a(t-1)}}{-a} + \frac{e^{at}}{a}$$

- Some special cases exist where the equation is neither linear nor separable but a solution still exists.
- Consider the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{M(x, y)}{N(x, y)}$$

- A function  $\phi=C$  can be considered to be the solution of this equation if one can make it satisfy:

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = M(x, y); \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = N(x, y)$$

- The methodology works only if the diff. equ. is exact.

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

- Attempt to get integration factor for the equation

$$f(x, y)M(x, y)dx + f(x, y)N(x, y)dy = 0$$

- For exactness

$$\frac{\partial(f(x, y)M(x, y))}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial(f(x, y)N(x, y))}{\partial x}$$

- Suppose f is function of x only, then:

$$f(x) \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = f(x) \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} + N \frac{df}{dx}$$

- Can get a solution if LHS is a function of x only:

$$\left( f(x) \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - f(x) \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \right) / N = \frac{df}{dx}$$

- Similarly if 'f' is a function of y only then

$$\left( -f(y) \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} + f(y) \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \right) / M = \frac{df}{dy}$$

- Can get a solution only if LHS is a function of 'y' in which case it is an ordinary first order differential equation