

# Lecture 7

- 4.1 Definition of the Laplace Transform
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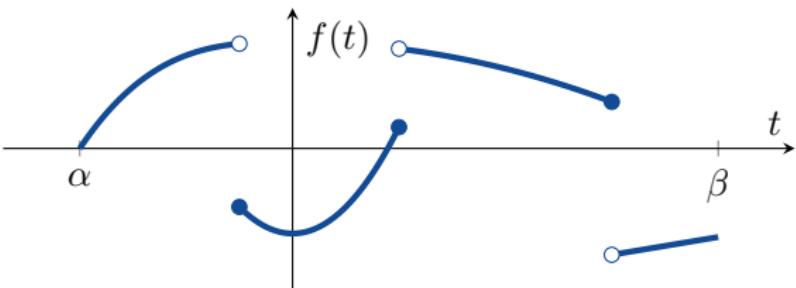
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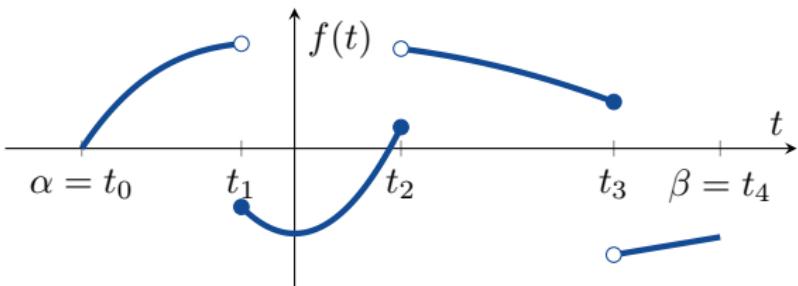
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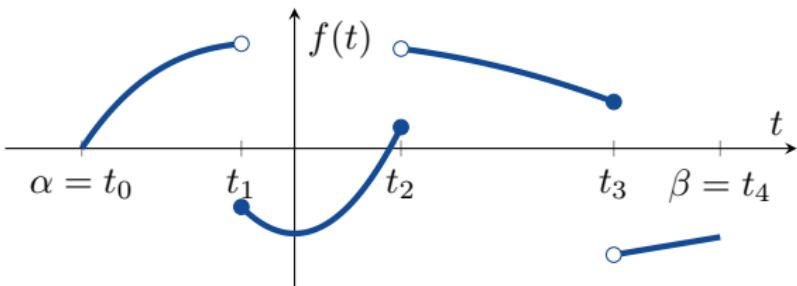
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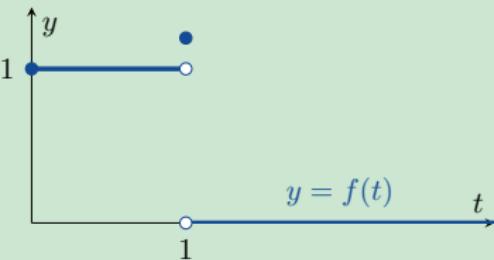
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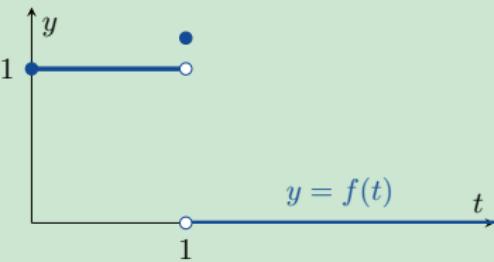
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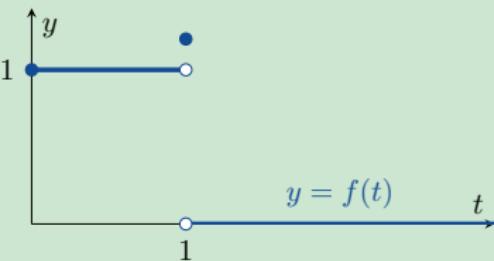
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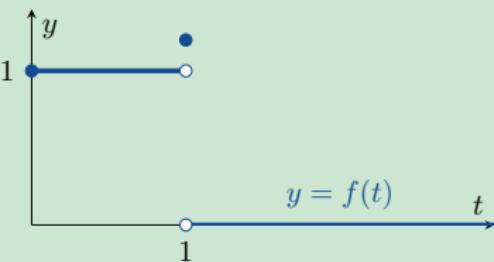
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You prove parts 3 and 4. □

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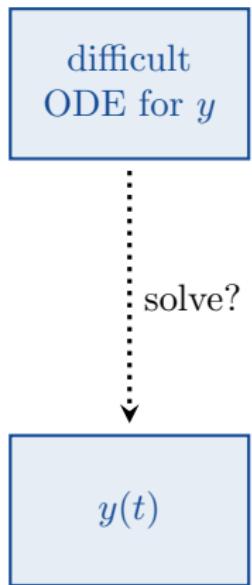
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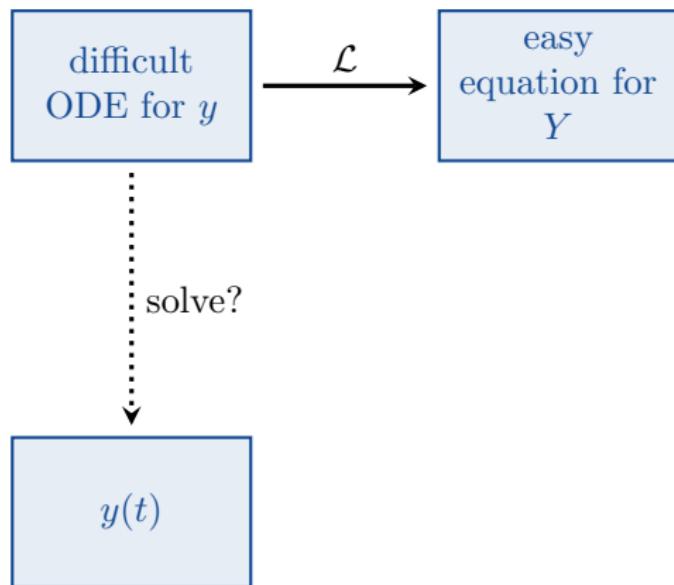
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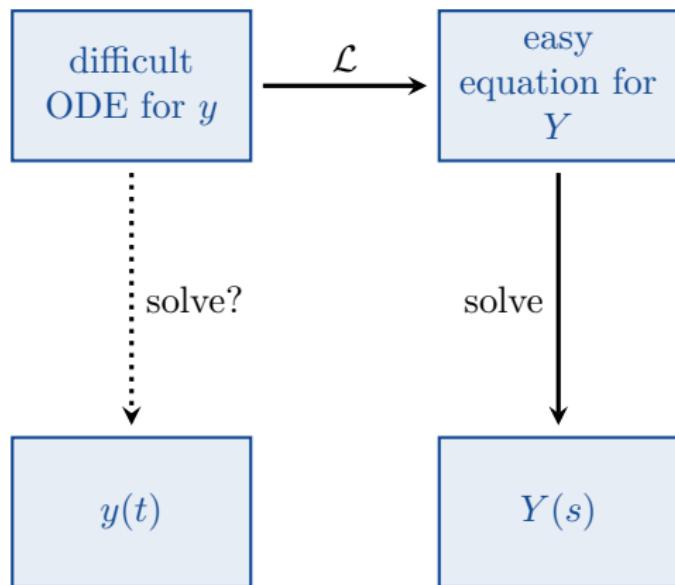
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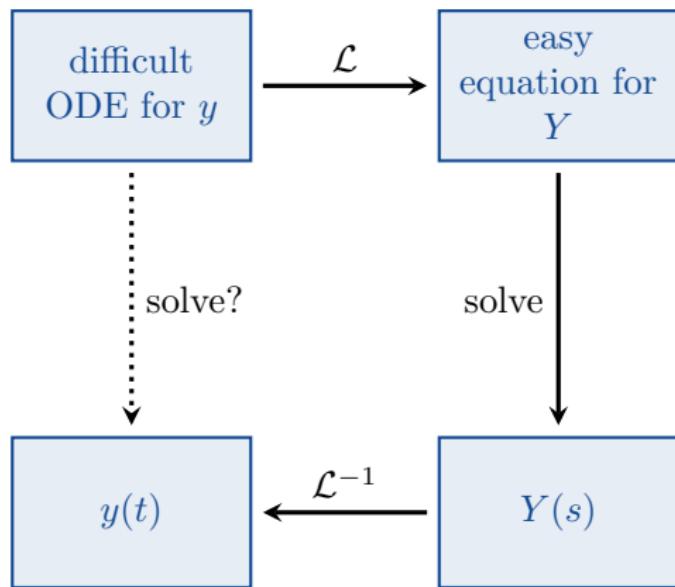
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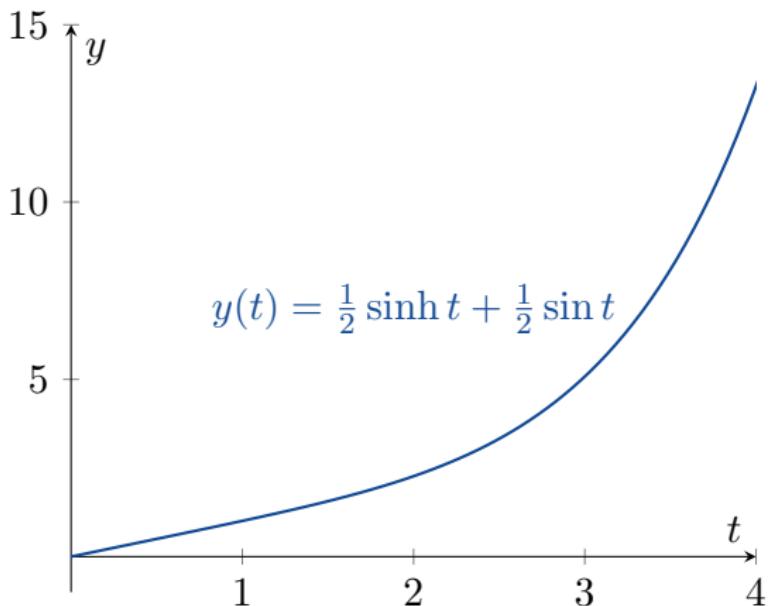
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# Next Time

- 4.3 Solving More Initial Value Problems
- 4.4 Step Functions