

Use Laplace transforms to solve the IVP

$$y'' - 6y' + 13y = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = -3 \quad (2)$$

1. Take \mathcal{L} of ODE (1):

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} - 6\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 13\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{0\}, \quad (3)$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}\{y\} = Y,$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'\} = sY - y(0) = sY - 0 = sY,$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} = s^2Y - sy(0) - y'(0) = s^2Y - s(0) - (-3) = s^2Y + 3,$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{0\} = 0.$$

Substitute these into Eq. (3) to obtain

$$s^2Y + 3 - 6sY + 13Y = 0.$$

2. Solve for Y :

$$(s^2 - 6s + 13)Y = -3,$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= \frac{-3}{s^2 - 6s + 13} \\ &= \frac{-3}{s^2 - 6s + 9 - 9 + 13} && \text{complete the square} \\ &= \frac{-3}{(s-3)^2 + 4}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Apply \mathcal{L}^{-1} :

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{ \frac{-3}{(s-3)^2 + 4} \Big|_{s \rightarrow s+3} \right\} && \text{add 3 to all } s\text{'s} \\ &= e^{at} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{ \frac{-3}{s^2 + 4} \right\}_{a=3} && \text{by I-1TT} \\ &= e^{3t} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{ \frac{-3}{s^2 + 4} \right\} \\ &= -3e^{3t} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{ \frac{2}{s^2 + 2^2} \right\} \cdot \frac{1}{2} && \text{pre-process} \\ &= -\frac{3}{2} e^{3t} \sin 2t. \end{aligned}$$