

Time Domain Analysis

$$\dot{y} + ay = u_s(t)$$

- 1 Set the right hand side to zero:

$$\dot{y} + ay = 0$$

- 2 Assume exponential $y_c(t)$:

$$y(t) = Ae^{st} \Rightarrow [s + a]Ae^{st} = 0$$

- 3 Solve the characteristic equation:

$$s + a = 0 \Rightarrow s = -a$$

- 4 Plug roots back into guess:

$$y_c(t) = Ae^{-at}$$

- 5 Assume $y_p(t)$ with same form as input:

$$y(t) = Bu_s(t)$$

- 6 Solve for particular solution:

$$0 + aBu_s(t) = u_s(t) \Rightarrow y_p(t) = \frac{1}{a}u_s(t)$$

- 7 Write the solution as $y_c + y_p$:

$$y(t) = Ae^{-at} + \frac{1}{a}u_s(t)$$

- 8 Apply I.C.s: $y(t) = \frac{1}{a} + \left(y(0) - \frac{1}{a}\right)e^{-at}$ for $t > 0$

Frequency Domain Analysis

$$\dot{y} + ay = u_s(t)$$

- 1 Take the Laplace transform:

$$[s + a]Y(s) - y(0) = \frac{1}{s}$$

- 2 Solve for $Y(s)$:

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{s(s + a)} + \frac{y(0)}{s + a}$$

- 3 Expand using partial fractions:

$$\frac{1}{s(s + a)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s + a} = \frac{1/a}{s} - \frac{1/a}{s + a}$$

- 4 Take the inverse Laplace transform:

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \frac{1}{a}u_s(t) - \frac{1}{a}e^{-at} + y(0)e^{-at} \\ &= \frac{1}{a} + \left(y(0) - \frac{1}{a}\right)e^{-at} \quad \text{for } t > 0 \end{aligned}$$