

Problem: Solve $x'' + 9x = 3\delta(t-a)$, $x(0)=1$, $x'(0)=0$.

Let $X = \mathcal{L}\{x\}$.

$$\text{Then } \mathcal{L}\{x''\} = s^2 X - sx(0) - x'(0) = s^2 X - s.$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{x'' + 9x\} = \mathcal{L}\{3\delta(t-a)\}.$$

$$s^2 X - s + 9X = 3e^{-as}$$

$$(s^2 + 9)X = 3e^{-as} + s$$

$$X = \frac{3e^{-as}}{s^2 + 9} + \frac{s}{s^2 + 9}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sin 3t\} = \frac{3}{s^2 + 9}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t-a) \sin 3(t-a)\} = \frac{3e^{-as}}{s^2 + 9},$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3e^{-as}}{s^2 + 9}\right\} = u(t-a) \sin(3t-3a)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2 + 9}\right\} = \cos 3t.$$

$$\text{Hence, } x(t) = \cos 3t + u(t-a) \sin(3t-3a)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \cos 3t & \text{if } t < a \\ \cos 3t + \sin(3t-a) & \text{if } t > a \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \cos 3t & \text{if } t < a \\ \cos 3t - \sin 3t & \text{if } t > a. \end{cases}$$