

EX: Find the Laplace transform of the following waveform:

$$\frac{d}{dt} [t \sin(\omega t) + t^2]$$

SOL'N: Use the derivative identity and the multiplication by t identity.

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{dv(t)}{dt}\right\} = sV(s) - v(t=0^-) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{L}\{tv(t)\} = -\frac{dV(s)}{ds}$$

We start on the inside and work our way out.

$$\mathcal{L}\{t \sin(\omega t)\} = -\frac{d}{ds} \mathcal{L}\{\sin(\omega t)\} = -\frac{d}{ds} \frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2} = \frac{\omega 2s}{(s^2 + \omega^2)^2}$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^2\} = -\frac{d}{ds} \mathcal{L}\{t\} = -\frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{s^2} = \frac{2}{s^3}$$

Now apply the derivative identity:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d}{dt} [t \sin(\omega t) + t^2]\right\} &= s\mathcal{L}\{t \sin(\omega t) + t^2\} - [t \sin(\omega t) + t^2] \Big|_{t=0^-} \\ &= s \frac{\omega 2s}{(s^2 + \omega^2)^2} + s \frac{2}{s^3} \\ &= \frac{\omega 2s^2}{(s^2 + \omega^2)^2} + \frac{2}{s^2} \end{aligned}$$

Note that the evaluation of the function at $t = 0^-$ gives a value of zero.