

Laplace Transforms for Systems of Differential Equations

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5. The example will be first order, but the idea works for any order.

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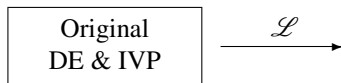
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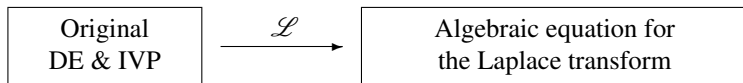
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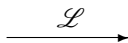
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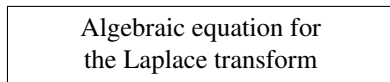


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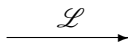
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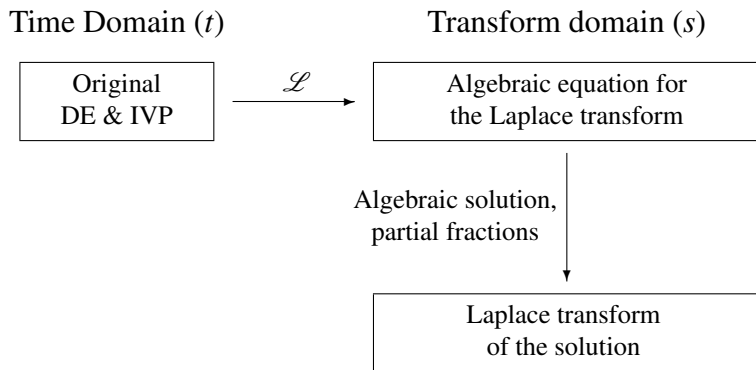
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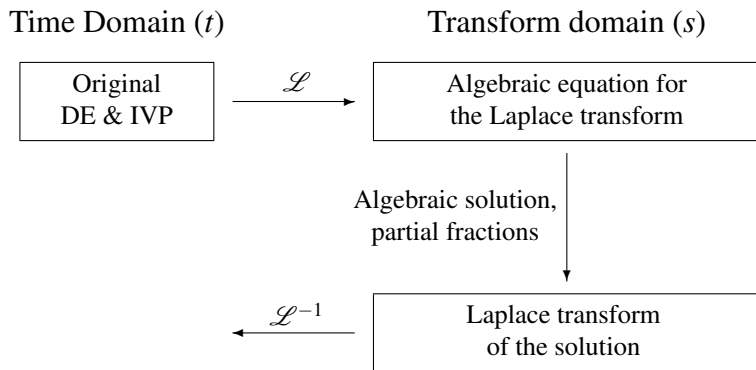
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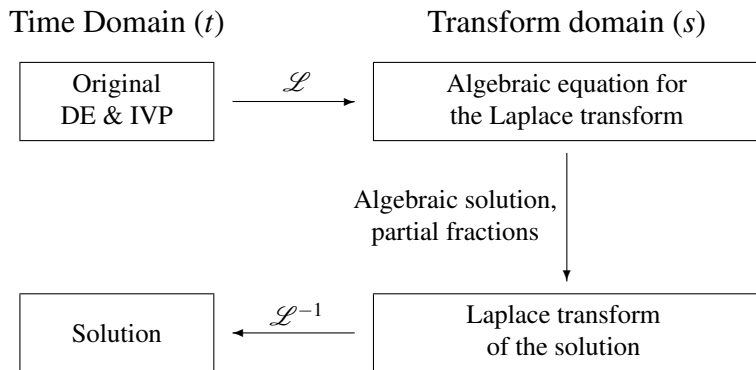
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5. The example itself is related to equations that come from the analysis of two loop circuits. So systems such as this one certainly arise in applications.

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