

Problem 21 in Section 7.2. Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2(s^2 + 1)}$$

Solution. We use $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{F(s)}{s}\right) = \int_0^t \mathcal{L}^{-1}(F(s))|_\tau d\tau$ twice. We compute

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^2(s^2 + 1)}\right) &= \int_0^t \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s(s^2 + 1)}\right)|_\tau d\tau \\ &= \int_0^t \int_0^\tau \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^2 + 1}\right)|_\theta d\theta d\tau \\ &= \int_0^t \int_0^\tau \sin(\theta) d\theta d\tau \\ &= \int_0^t -\cos(\theta)|_0^\tau d\tau \\ &= \int_0^t (-\cos(\tau) + 1) d\tau \\ &= (-\sin \tau + \tau)|_0^t \\ &= \boxed{-\sin t + t}. \end{aligned}$$