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Laplace Transform

Definition:

Let $f(t)$ be a given function that is defined for all $t \geq 0$. We multiply $f(t)$ by e^{-st} and integrate with respect to t from "0" to "infinity (∞)". Then

if the resulting integral exists (that is has some finite value), it is the function of s , say $F(s)$.

$$\int_0^{\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-st} dt = F(s)$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-st} dt = F(s)}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\boxed{f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}} \Leftrightarrow$$

Ex1 Let $f(t)=1$ when $t \geq 0$
Find $F(s)$.

Sol:

$$F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{1\} = \int_0^{\infty} 1 \cdot e^{-st} dt$$
$$= \left| \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right|_0^{\infty}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{s} [0 - 1]$$
$$= \frac{1}{s}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{1}{s}}$$

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Ex2

$$(i) \mathcal{L}\{t\} = \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-st} dt$$
$$= t \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \cdot 1 dt$$

$$= -\frac{1}{s} [0 - 0] + \frac{1}{s} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt$$
$$= \frac{1}{s} \mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{1}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{s} = \frac{1}{s^2}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}\{t\} = \frac{1}{s^2}}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}\{t^2\} = \frac{2}{s^3}}$$

$$(ii) \mathcal{L}\{t^2\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} t^2 dt$$
$$= t^2 \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \cdot 2t dt$$
$$= -\frac{1}{s} (0 - 0) + \frac{2}{s} \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-st} dt$$
$$= \frac{2}{s} \mathcal{L}\{t\} = \frac{2}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2}$$

$$\text{iii, } \mathcal{L}\{t^3\} = \int_0^{\infty} t^3 e^{-st} dt$$

$$= t^3 \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \cdot 3t^2 dt$$

$$= -\frac{1}{s}(0-0) + \frac{3}{s} \mathcal{L}\{t^2\}$$

$$= \frac{3}{s} \cdot \frac{2}{s^3} = \frac{3!}{s^4}$$

$$\left[\frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_0^{\infty}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^3 dx$$

$$\left[\frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^{\infty}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} t \sin x dx = \dots$$

Similarly

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}\{t^4\} = \frac{4!}{s^5}}$$

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$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}\{t^n\} = \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}} \quad \checkmark$$