

GATE 22 EE/46

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QUESTION: Let a causal LTI system be governed by the following differential equation,

$$y(t) + \frac{1}{4} \frac{dy}{dt} = 2x(t) \quad (1)$$

where $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ are the input and output respectively. Its impulse response is (GATE EE-2022)

Solution:

From (1), corresponding Laplace transform,

$$Y(s) + \frac{1}{4} (sY(s) - y(0)) = 2X(s) \quad (2)$$

Since it is causal LTI system,

$$y(0) = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$Y(s) + \frac{1}{4} sY(s) = 2X(s) \quad (4)$$

$$Y(s) = X(s) \frac{8}{4 + s} \quad (5)$$

$$H(s) = \frac{8}{4 + s} \quad ROC : Re(s) > -4 \quad (6)$$

Using Inverse Laplace formula,

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_{c-jT}^{c+jT} e^{st} H(s) ds \quad (7)$$

Where c is some number in the ROC of $H(s)$. Substituting $c = 0$,

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-jT}^{+jT} e^{st} \frac{8}{4 + s} ds \quad (8)$$

Using Cauchy's Residue Theorem,

$$h(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow -4} (s + 4) \frac{8e^{st}}{s + 4} \quad (9)$$

$$= \lim_{s \rightarrow -4} 8e^{st} \quad (10)$$

$$= 8e^{-4t} \quad (11)$$

Since the system is causal,

$$h(t) = 8e^{-4t} u(t) \quad (12)$$

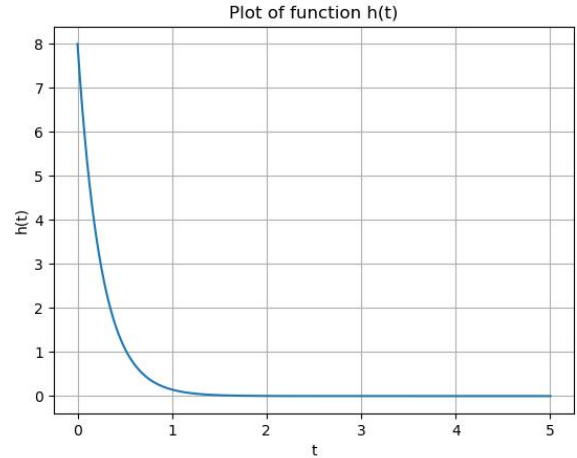


Fig. 1. Plot of $h(n)$, taken from python3