

Transform of Piecewise Continuous Function

Evaluate $\mathcal{L}\{F(t)\}$ where $F(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < 3 \\ 2, & t \geq 3 \end{cases}$

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

$$= \int_0^3 e^{-st} (0) dt + \int_3^{\infty} e^{-st} (2) dt$$

$$= 0 + \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \int_3^l 2e^{-st} dt$$

$$= 2 \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_3^l$$

$$= -\frac{2}{s} \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} [e^{-sl} - e^{-s3}]$$

$$= -\frac{2}{s} \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{e^{sl}} - \frac{1}{e^{3s}} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{2}{s} \left[\frac{1}{e^{\infty}} - \frac{1}{e^{3s}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{se^{3s}}, \quad s > 0$$

The following piecewise-defined function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} g(t) ; & 0 \leq t < a \\ h(t) ; & t \geq a \end{cases}$$

can be written as a Unit Step function:

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= g(t) [u(t-0) - u(t-a)] \\ &\quad + h(t) [u(t-a)] \\ &= g(t) u(t) - g(t) u(t-a) + h(t) u(t-a) \end{aligned}$$

The following piecewise-defined function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad 0 \leq t < a \\ g(t) & , \quad a \leq t < b \\ 0 & , \quad t \geq b \end{cases}$$

can be written as a Unit Step function:

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= 0 [u(t-0) - u(t-a)] \\ &\quad + g(t) [u(t-a) - u(t-b)] \\ &\quad + 0 [u(t-b)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f(t) = g(t) [u(t-a) - u(t-b)]$$

Express $f(t) = \begin{cases} 20t, & 0 \leq t < 5 \\ 0, & t \geq 5 \end{cases}$ in terms

of unit step function.

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= 20t [u(t-0) - u(t-5)] + 0[u(t-5)] \\ &= 20t (u(t) - u(t-5)) \end{aligned}$$

Introducing Laplace into unit step function:

Refer page 6 Part B Lec Note:

Known as 2nd Translation Theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(u(t-a)f(t)) &= e^{-sa} \mathcal{L}\{F(t+a)\} \\ &= e^{-sa} f(s+a) \end{aligned}$$

OR

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(u(t-a)f(t-a)) &= e^{-as} \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \\ &= e^{-as} F(s) \end{aligned}$$

Find the Laplace transformation of

$$f(t) = 2 - 3u(t-2) + u(t-3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} &= 2\mathcal{L}\{1\} - 3\mathcal{L}\{u(t-2)\} + \mathcal{L}\{u(t-3)\} \\ &= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{s} - 3e^{-2s} \mathcal{L}\{1\} + e^{-3s} \mathcal{L}\{1\} \\ &= \frac{2}{s} - 3 \frac{e^{-2s}}{s} + \frac{e^{-3s}}{s} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}\{u(t-a)f(t)\} = e^{-sa} \mathcal{L}\{F(s+a)\} \\ \therefore \mathcal{L}\{u(t-a)f(t)\} = e^{-sa} f(s+a) \\ \therefore u(t-a)f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-sa} f(s+a)\} \\ \Rightarrow u(t-a)f(t-a) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-sa} f(s)\} \end{array} \right.$$

Example: $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-4} e^{-2s}\right\}$ $\therefore a=2$

$$f(s) = \frac{1}{s-4}$$

$$= u(t-2)f(t-2)$$

$$= u(t-2)e^{4(t-2)}$$

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

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

$$= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-4}\right\}$$

$$= e^{4t}$$

$$F(t-2) = e^{4(t-2)}$$

Example: $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2+9} e^{-\frac{\pi s}{2}} \right\}$

$$u(t-a)f(t-a) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ e^{-sa} f(s) \}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2+9} e^{-\frac{\pi s}{2}} \right\} \quad \rightarrow a = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$f(s) = \frac{s}{s^2+9}$$

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

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

$$= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2+9} \right\}$$

$$= u\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) f\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$= u\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cos 3\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore F(t) = \cos 3t$$

$$F\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \cos 3\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

Example solve $Y' + Y = f(t)$, $Y(0) = 5$

where $f(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < \pi \\ 3\cos t, & t \geq \pi \end{cases}$

$$\mathcal{L}\{Y'\} + \mathcal{L}\{Y\} = \mathcal{L}\left\{ 0[u(t-0) - u(t-\pi)] + 3\cos t[u(t-\pi)] \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow [s^1 \mathcal{L}\{Y\} - s^0 Y(0)] + \mathcal{L}\{Y\} = 3 \mathcal{L}\{\cos t[u(t-\pi)]\}$$

$$Sy - 5 + y = 3\mathcal{L}\{\cos t u(t-\pi)\}$$

$$= -3 \frac{s}{s^2+1} \cdot e^{-\pi s}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t-a)F(t)\} = e^{-sa}\mathcal{L}\{F(t+a)\}$$

$$= e^{-s\pi}\mathcal{L}\{F(t+\pi)\}$$

$$y(s+1) = 5 - \frac{3s}{s^2+1} e^{-\pi s}$$

$$F(t) = \cos t$$

$$F(t+\pi) = \cos(t+\pi)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{s+1} \left\{ 5 - \frac{3s}{s^2+1} e^{-\pi s} \right\}$$

$$F(t+\pi) = -\cos t$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}\{F(t+\pi)\} = \mathcal{L}\{-\cos t\} = \frac{-s}{s^2+1}$$

$$y = \frac{5}{s+1} - \frac{3se^{-\pi s}}{(s+1)(s^2+1)}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{Y\} = \frac{5}{s+1} - \frac{3se^{-\pi s}}{(s+1)(s^2+1)}$$

$$Y = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{5}{s+1}\right\} - 3\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{se^{-\pi s}}{(s+1)(s^2+1)}\right\}$$

$$\frac{se^{-\pi s}}{(s+1)(s^2+1)} = \frac{A}{s+1} + \frac{Bs+C}{s^2+1}$$

$$se^{-\pi s} = A(s^2+1) + (Bs+C)(s+1)$$

$$se^{-\pi s} = As^2 + A + Bs^2 + Cs + Bs + C$$

"s²"

$$0 = A + B$$

$$B = -A$$

"s"

$$e^{-\pi s} = C + B$$

$$e^{-\pi s} = C - A$$

"constant"

$$0 = A + C$$

$$\therefore C = -A$$

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$$2C = e^{-\pi s}$$

$$C = \frac{1}{2}e^{-\pi s}$$

$$A = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-\pi s}$$

$$\text{Also } B = C \quad \therefore B = -A$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{1}{2}e^{-\pi s} \quad C = -A$$

$$Y = 5\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+1}\right\} - 3\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{se^{-\pi s}}{(s+1)(s^2+1)}\right\}$$

$$= 5\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+1}\right\} - 3\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{A}{s+1} + \frac{Bs+C}{s^2+1}\right\}$$

$$= 5\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+1}\right\} - 3\left[\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{A}{s+1}\right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{Bs}{s^2+1}\right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{C}{s^2+1}\right\}\right]$$

$$= 5\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+1}\right\} - 3\left[\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{-\frac{1}{2}e^{-\pi s}}{s+1}\right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2+1} \frac{1}{2}e^{-\pi s}\right\}\right]$$

$$+ \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{\frac{1}{2}e^{-\pi s}}{s^2+1}\right\}$$

$$= 5e^{-t} + \frac{3}{2}\left[\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+1}e^{-\pi s}\right\} - \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2+1}e^{-\pi s}\right\}\right]$$

$a = \pi$ $f(t-\pi) = e^{-(t-\pi)}$ $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2+1}e^{-\pi s}\right\} = \sin(t-\pi)$ $f(t-\pi) = \sin(t-\pi)$

find $f(t-a) = f(t-\pi)$

$$u(t-a)f(t-a) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-sa}f(s)\}$$

$$= 5e^{-t} + \frac{3}{2}\left[e^{-(t-\pi)}u(t-\pi) - \cos(t-\pi)u(t-\pi) - \sin(t-\pi)u(t-\pi)\right]$$

$$= 5e^{-t} + \frac{3}{2}\left(e^{-(t-\pi)} - \cos(t-\pi) - \sin(t-\pi)\right)u(t-\pi).$$

$$= 5e^{-t} + \frac{3}{2}\left(e^{-(t-\pi)} + \cos t + \sin t\right)u(t-\pi).$$

$\cos(x-\pi) = -\cos x$
 $\sin(x-\pi) = -\sin x$
 $\hookrightarrow \sin x \cos(-\pi) + \cos x \sin(-\pi)$