

Lecture 48, Monday, April 25, 2022

- Inverse Laplace transform

- Partial fraction expansion for proper rational functions with distinct poles:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{F}(s) &= \frac{\text{polynomial of degree } < n}{\text{polynomial of degree } = n} = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = \frac{N(s)}{(s - p_1)(s - p_1) \cdots (s - p_n)} \\ &= \frac{A_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{A_2}{s - p_2} + \cdots + \frac{A_n}{s - p_n}, \quad \text{where } p_i \neq p_j \text{ if } i \neq j\end{aligned}$$

- * To obtain the coefficient A_k :

$$A_k = \left[\hat{F}(s)(s - p_k) \right] \Big|_{s=p_k}$$

- * Works for real or complex poles.

- * If poles are complex

- its poles are complex conjugates:

$$p_1 = p_2^* = \alpha + j\beta$$

- their partial fraction expansion coefficients are also complex conjugates:

$$A_1 = A_2^* = re^{j\theta}$$

- can combine the two terms into a real-valued cosinusoidal:

$$2re^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t + \theta)u(t)$$

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- Partial fraction expansion for proper rational functions with repeated poles:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{F}(s) &= \frac{\text{polynomial of degree } < n}{\text{polynomial of degree } = n} = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = \frac{N(s)}{(s - p_1)^n} \\ &= \frac{A_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{A_2}{(s - p_1)^2} + \cdots + \frac{A_n}{(s - p_1)^n}\end{aligned}$$

- * To obtain the coefficient A :

$$A_{n-m} = \frac{1}{m!} \left[\frac{d^m}{ds^m} \left(\hat{F}(s)(s - p_1)^n \right) \right] \Big|_{s=p_1}$$

- In both cases, distinct and repeated poles, could also obtain the coefficients by matching the coefficients of the polynomials via a linear system of equations. That might be faster than taking derivatives when there are just 1-2 coefficients missing.