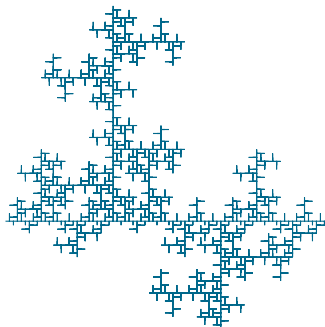


Lesson 18: Linearization. Differentiation of transforms.

Translation in the s -axis

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- ▶ The concepts of **differential equation** and **initial value problem**
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SUMMARY

We have learned today to compute Laplace transforms of complex functions using a table and three simple techniques: [linearization](#), [derivative of transforms](#), and [translation on the \$s\$ -axis](#). We now have a more complete table:

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