

## Forward Laplace Transform

- Recall from 2714 that the Eigen function for <sup>LTI</sup> CT systems is  $e^{st}$  for  $s \in \mathbb{C}$ .

$$x(t) = e^{st} \rightarrow \boxed{h(t)} \rightarrow y(t) = x(t) * h(t) = H(s) e^{st}$$

- $H(s)$  is the Eigenvalue associated with the Eigenfunction  $e^{st}$  at some fixed value of  $s$ .
- $H(s)$  is the Bilateral Laplace transform of the impulse response, also called two-sided transform.

$$H(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t) e^{-st} dt \quad \text{for } s \in R \subseteq \mathbb{C}$$

the subset of the complex plane  $R$  is the set of values for  $s$  where the integral converges and the transform exists. We call this the region-of-convergence or ROC.

- We can take the Laplace transform of Any signal NOT just the impulse response.

- Notation:  $\int_2 \{x(t)\} = X(s)$  or  $x(t) \xrightarrow{\int_2} X(s)$   
the forward Laplace transform.

- let's look at some illustrative examples

Example #1:  $x(t) = e^{-at} u(t)$  for  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Find  $X(s) = \int \{x(t)\}$

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-at} e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s+a)t} dt$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s+a} e^{-(s+a)t} \Big|_0^{\infty}$$

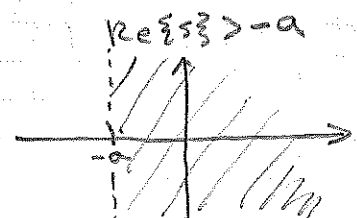
$$= \frac{-1}{s+a} \left[ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(s+a)T} - e^{-(s+a)(0)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s+a} \left[ \underbrace{0}_{\text{if } \operatorname{Re}\{s+a\} > 0} - 1 \right] = \frac{1}{s+a}$$

$$\text{If } \operatorname{Re}\{s+a\} > 0$$

$$\text{or } \operatorname{Re}\{s\} + \operatorname{Re}\{a\} > 0$$

$$\operatorname{Re}\{s\} > -a$$



Note this result  $\mathcal{L}\{e^{-at}u(t)\} = \frac{1}{s+a}$   $\text{Re}\{s\} > -a$   
 applies to any finite real  $a$ , thus

$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{e^{-at}u(t)\} \Big|_{a=0} = \frac{1}{s} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > 0$$

— Lets compare the result in Example 1 to the CTFT definition

$$\mathcal{F}\{x(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt \Big|_{s=j\omega}$$

The definition of the CTFT is equivalent to Laplace definition with  $s$  restricted to purely imaginary values.

What are the implications of this?

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{e^{-at}u(t)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-at} e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(j\omega+a)t} dt \\ &= \frac{-1}{j\omega+a} \left[ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(j\omega+a)T} - e^{-(j\omega+a)0} \right] \end{aligned}$$

This only converges for  $a > 0$ .

Having a real part to  $s$  allows us to force the integral to converge (within limits), with ROC being the values that do so.

— Recall the CTFT  $\mathcal{F}\{x(t)\}$  exists if  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)| dt < \infty$

When will Laplace transform exist?

$$\text{If } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t) e^{ct}| dt < \infty \quad \text{for some Real } c,$$

if  $x(t)$  grows as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $e^{ct}$  can counter the growth.

Consider however  $x(t) = t^t$ , it grows too fast.

Example 2: Non-causal pulse  $x(t) = u(t+1) - u(t-1)$

$$\begin{aligned} X(s) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_{-1}^1 e^{-st} dt = \left. -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \right|_{-1}^1 \\ &= -\frac{1}{s} e^{-s} + \frac{1}{s} e^s = \frac{1}{s} (e^s - e^{-s}) \quad \text{for all } s \in \mathbb{C} \end{aligned}$$

- Note: The Laplace transform of a finite length signal where

$$\int_{-L}^U |x(t)| dt < \infty$$

$L$  = lower bound  
 $U$  = upper bound

will exist with ROC = entire  $\mathbb{C}$  plane.

Example 3:  $x(t) = e^{-t} u(t) - e^{-2t} u(t)$

$$X(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} e^{-st} dt - \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2t} e^{-st} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$- \frac{1}{s+2}$$

$$R_1 \equiv \operatorname{Re}\{s\} > -1$$

$$R_2 \equiv \operatorname{Re}\{s\} > -2$$

$$= \frac{s+2+s+1}{(s+1)(s+2)}$$

$$\text{with ROC} = R_1 \cup R_2 = \operatorname{Re}\{s\} > -1$$

$$= \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} = \frac{1}{s^2+3s+2} \quad \operatorname{Re}\{s\} > -1$$

- Note: If  $x(t)$  is causal then

$$\int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt \quad \text{and ROC} = \operatorname{Re}\{s\} > \text{constant.}$$

This is the unilateral or one-sided Laplace transform.

$\mathcal{L}_2$  v/s  $\mathcal{L}_1$

When dealing with only causal signals

(and thus systems) explicitly treating the ROC

is not required.

Example 4:  $x(t) = e^{-|t|}$

Note non-causal, infinite extent,

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^t e^{-st} dt + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} e^{-st} dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-(s-1)t} dt + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s+1)t} dt$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s-1} \left[ e^{-(s-1)t} \right]_{-\infty}^0 - \lim_{T \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{-1}{s-1} e^{-(s-1)T}$$

$$+ \frac{-1}{s+1} \left[ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(s+1)T} - e^{-(s+1)t} \right]$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s-1} \left[ 1 - \lim_{T \rightarrow -\infty} e^{-(s-1)T} \right] + \frac{-1}{s+1} \left[ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(s+1)T} - 1 \right]$$

$$\operatorname{Re}\{s-1\} < 0$$

$$\operatorname{Re}\{s\} - 1 < 0$$

$$\operatorname{Re}\{s\} < 1$$

$$\operatorname{Re}\{s+1\} > 0$$

$$\operatorname{Re}\{s\} + 1 > 0$$

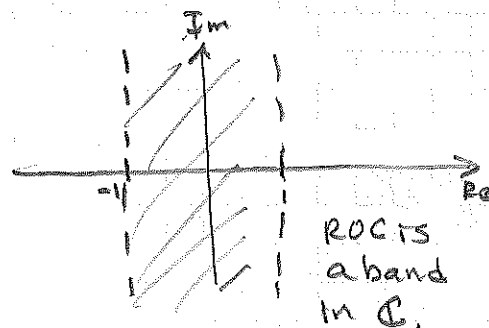
$$\operatorname{Re}\{s\} > -1$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s-1}$$

anti-causal component  
 $\operatorname{Re}\{s\} < 1$

$$+ \frac{1}{s+1}$$

causal component  
 $\operatorname{Re}\{s\} > -1$



Note if we combine the expressions

$$X(s) = \frac{-1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{s+1} = \frac{-s-1 + s-1}{(s-1)(s+1)} = \frac{-2}{s^2 - 1}$$

we lose the distinction between anti-causal and causal, which is why ROC needs to be kept in those cases.  $-1 < \operatorname{Re}\{s\} < 1$

Lets do more examples.

Example 5:  $x(t) = \delta(t)$

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-st} dt = e^{-s(0)} = 1$$

$$ROC = \mathbb{C}$$

Example 6:  $x(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t}$   $\omega_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j\omega_0 t} e^{-st} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(s-j\omega_0)t} dt$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s-j\omega_0} e^{-(s-j\omega_0)t} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s-j\omega_0} \left[ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(s-j\omega_0)T} - \lim_{T \rightarrow -\infty} e^{-(s-j\omega_0)T} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re}\{s-j\omega_0\} < 0 \\ \text{Re}\{s\} < 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re}\{s-j\omega_0\} > 0 \\ \text{Re}\{s\} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

ROC does NOT exist.

let  $s=0$ , we get  $\mathcal{F}\{e^{j\omega_0 t}\} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \delta(\omega - \omega_0)$

Example 7: Compare to  $x(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t} u(t)$

$$X(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{j\omega_0 t} e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s-j\omega_0)t} dt$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s-j\omega_0} e^{-(s-j\omega_0)t} \Big|_0^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s-j\omega_0} \left[ \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(s-j\omega_0)T} - e^{-(s-j\omega_0)(0)} \right]$$

$$\text{Re}\{s\} > 0$$

$$= \frac{-1}{s-j\omega_0} [-1] = \frac{1}{s-j\omega_0} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > 0.$$

Example 8:  $x(t) = \cos(\omega_0 t) u(t) = \frac{1}{2} e^{j\omega_0 t} u(t) + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\omega_0 t} u(t)$

$$X(s) = \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{j\omega_0 t - st} dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-j\omega_0 t - st} dt$$

Similar to previous example.

$$\begin{aligned} X(s) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s-j\omega_0)t} dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s+j\omega_0)t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{-1}{s-j\omega_0} e^{-(s-j\omega_0)t} \right]_0^{\infty} + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{-1}{s+j\omega_0} e^{-(s+j\omega_0)t} \right]_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{s-j\omega_0} + \frac{1}{s+j\omega_0} \right] \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > 0 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{s+j\omega_0 + s-j\omega_0}{(s-j\omega_0)(s+j\omega_0)} = \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega_0^2} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Note the examples thus far cover many of the signals we are interested in.

$x(t)$	$X(s)$
$\delta(t)$	1
$u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > 0$
$e^{-at} u(t) \quad a \in \mathbb{R}$	$\frac{1}{s+a} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > -a$
$\cos(\omega_0 t) u(t)$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega_0^2} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > 0$

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$$\sin(\omega_0 t) u(t)$$

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$$e^{-at} \cos(\omega_0 t) u(t)$$

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The PS for this week has you derive these.