

Two-sided (bilateral) Laplace transform and its properties

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Two-sided (bilateral) Laplace transform 1

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt \quad s \text{ is a complex number}$$

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{L} X(s) \quad X(s) = L[x(t)]$$

Why do we need it?

- We would like to process signals that don't have Fourier transform (infinite energy signals);
- Sometimes we need to deal with unstable systems (control applications).

Complex-valued function $\longrightarrow X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt$ The domain of $X(s)$ is complex plane (s is complex)

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Complex-valued function $\longrightarrow X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt$ The domain of $X(s)$ is complex plane (s is complex)

May only converge for some s .

Two parts: (1) Region of Convergence (ROC) and (2) $X(s)$

$$x(t) = e^{at} u(t) \quad X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{(a-s)t} dt = \frac{1}{a-s} e^{(a-s)t} \bigg|_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s-a}$$

$$\text{ROC: } \operatorname{Re}\{s\} > \operatorname{Re}\{a\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= -e^{at} u(-t) \quad X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_{-\infty}^0 -e^{(a-s)t} dt \\ &= -\frac{1}{a-s} e^{(a-s)t} \bigg|_{-\infty}^0 = \frac{1}{s-a} \quad \text{ROC: } \operatorname{Re}\{s\} < \operatorname{Re}\{a\} \end{aligned}$$

This example demonstrates why we need to consider ROC in addition to $X(s)$

Two-sided (bilateral) Laplace transform 3

Complex-valued function $\longrightarrow X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt$ The domain of $X(s)$ is complex plane (s is complex)

The range of values of the complex variable s for which the Laplace transform converges is called the **region of convergence (ROC)**.

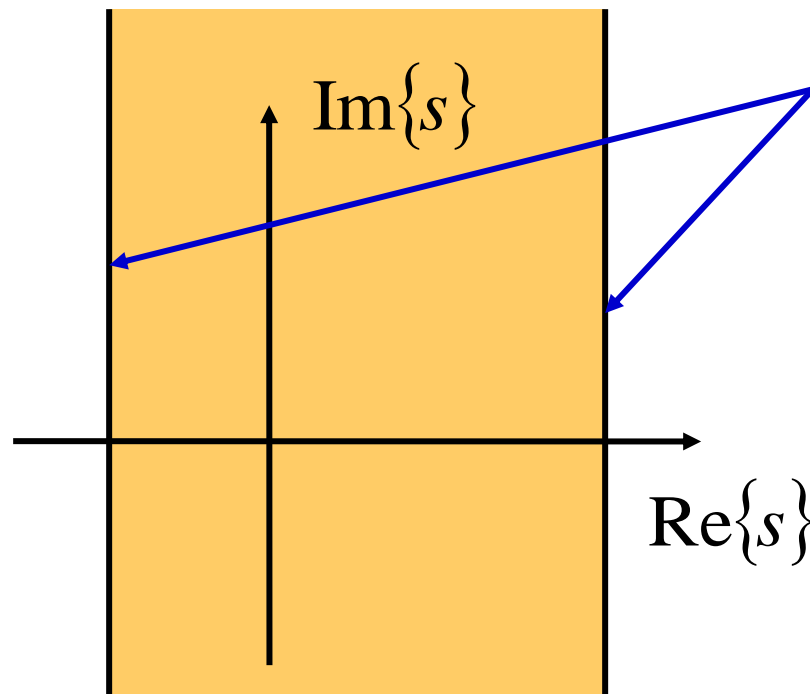
In order for the Laplace transform to be unique for each signal $x(t)$, **the ROC must be specified as part of the transform.**

$$x(t) = e^{at} u(t) \quad X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{(a-s)t} dt = \frac{1}{a-s} e^{(a-s)t} \bigg|_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s-a}$$

$$\text{ROC: } \operatorname{Re}\{s\} > \operatorname{Re}\{a\}$$

Region of Convergence (ROC)

ROC: always vertical strips



Left or right boundary is not always present

An example:

$$x(t) = e^{at} u(t) \quad X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{(a-s)t} dt = \frac{1}{a-s} e^{(a-s)t} \bigg|_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s-a}$$

ROC: $\text{Re}\{s\} > \text{Re}\{a\}$

Examples of two-sided Laplace transforms

$$x(t) = \delta(t - \tau) \quad X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt = e^{-s\tau} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}\{s\} > -\infty$$

$$x(t) = u(t - \tau) \quad X(s) = \int_{\tau}^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = \frac{e^{-s\tau}}{s} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}\{s\} > 0$$

$$x(t) = e^{at} u(t) \quad X(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{(a-s)t} dt = \frac{1}{s - a} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}\{s\} > \text{Re}\{a\}$$

$$x(t) = -e^{at} u(-t)$$

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(a-s)t} dt = \frac{1}{s - a} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}\{s\} < \text{Re}\{a\}$$

More examples

$$x(t) = e^{-|t|} = e^{-t}u(t) + e^t u(-t)$$

$$\text{causal part: } e^{-t}u(t) \xrightarrow{L} \frac{1}{s+1} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}\{s\} > -1$$

$$\text{anti-causal part: } e^t u(-t) \xrightarrow{L} -\frac{1}{s-1} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}\{s\} < 1$$

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s-1} \quad \text{ROC: } -1 < \text{Re}\{s\} < 1$$

$$x(t) = 2e^{-t}u(t) + 3e^{-5t}u(t) \quad X(s) = \frac{2}{s+1} + \frac{3}{s+5} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}\{s\} > -1$$

$$x(t) = \cos(\omega_0 t)u(t) \quad X(s) = \frac{1/2}{s - j\omega_0} + \frac{1/2}{s + j\omega_0} = \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega_0^2}$$

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

Relationship to Fourier transform 1

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{F} X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \quad X(\omega) = F[x(t)]$$

$$x(t) = F^{-1}[X(\omega)] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

It is not always possible to calculate the Fourier transform of a signal $x(t)$ by integration. For example, if the signal is of finite power rather than finite energy the classical Fourier transform does not exist (the integral does not converge). A possible solution consists of multiplying $x(t)$ by a convergence factor $\exp(-\sigma t)$:

$$x_{\sigma}(t) = x(t) e^{-\sigma t}$$

$$X_{\sigma}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_{\sigma}(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-(\sigma + j\omega)t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt$$

$$s = \sigma + j\omega$$

Motivation behind using bilateral (two-sided) Laplace transform

Relationship to Fourier transform 2

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{L} X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt \quad X(s) = L[x(t)]$$

$$x_{\sigma}(t) = x(t) e^{-\sigma t}$$

$$X_{\sigma}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_{\sigma}(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-(\sigma + j\omega)t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt$$

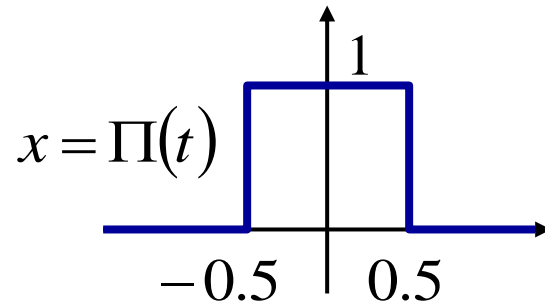
$$s = \sigma + j\omega$$

$$x(t) = e^{\sigma t} x_{\sigma}(t) = e^{\sigma t} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_{\sigma}(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_{\sigma}(\omega) e^{(\sigma + j\omega)t} d\omega$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\sigma - j\infty}^{\sigma + j\infty} X(s) e^{st} ds$$

the inverse Laplace transform
(it is not used in practice)

An example: Laplace transform of a box function



$$X(s) = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} e^{-st} dt = \frac{e^{-s/2} - e^{s/2}}{s}$$

ROC: All s . ROC = the whole complex plane.

The same holds for any finite-duration signal.

Poles and Zeros of rational $X(s)$

In many applications $X(s)$ is a rational function in s :

$$X(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} \quad \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \searrow \\ \text{polynomials} \end{array}$$

$$X(s) = \frac{a_0 s^m + a_1 s^{m-1} + \dots + a_m}{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_n} = \frac{a_0}{b_0} \frac{(s - z_1) \dots (s - z_m)}{(s - p_1) \dots (s - p_n)}$$

Zeros z_1, \dots, z_m and **poles** p_1, \dots, p_n .

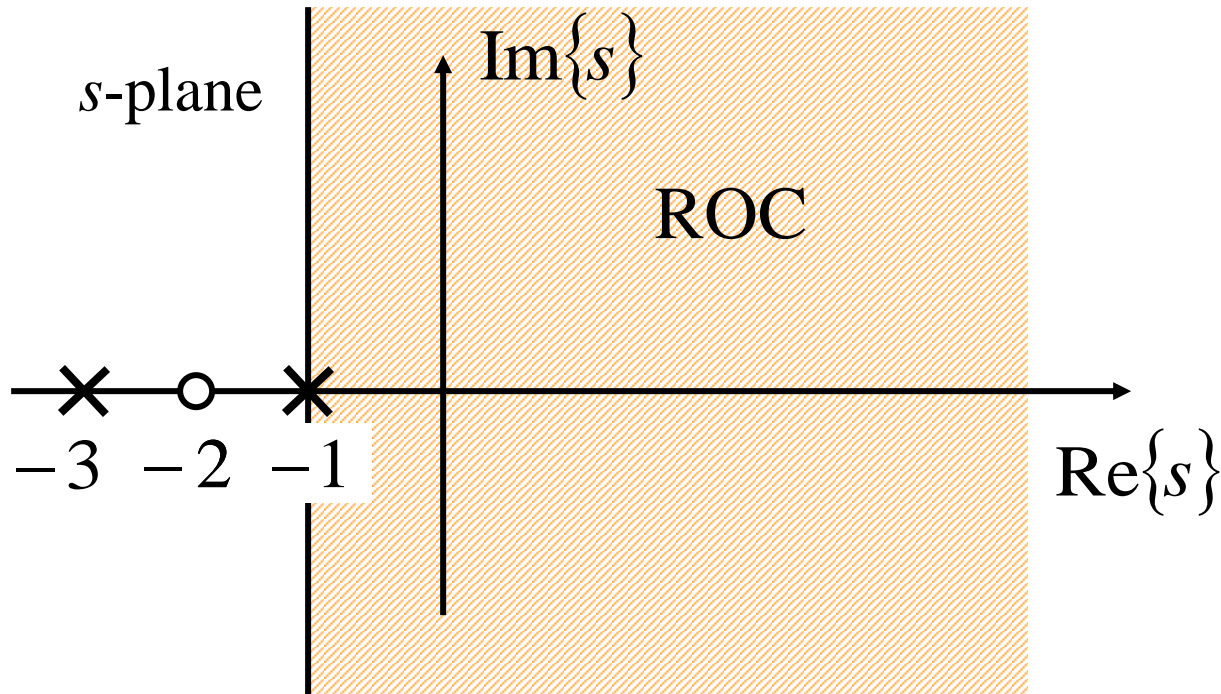
The poles of $X(s)$ lie outside the ROC, as $X(s)$ is infinite for those values of s .

The zeros may lie inside or outside the ROC.

Except for the scale factor a_0/b_0 , $X(s)$ can be completely specified by its zeros and poles.

Poles and Zeros: An example

$$X(s) = \frac{3s + 6}{2s^2 + 8s + 6} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{s + 2}{(s + 1)(s + 3)} \quad \text{Re}(s) > -1$$



Traditionally, an 'x' is used to indicate each pole location and an 'o' is used to indicate each zero.

Properties of ROC

P1. The ROC does not contain any poles.

P2. If $x(t)$ is a finite-duration signal, that is $x(t)=0$ except a finite interval $t_1 \leq t \leq t_2$, then the ROC is the entire s -plane except possibly $s = 0$ or $s = \infty$.

P3. If $x(t)$ is a right-sided signal, that is, $x(t) = 0$ for $t < t_1$, then the ROC is of the form $\text{Re}(s) > \sigma_{\max}$, where σ_{\max} equals the maximum real part of any of the poles of $X(s)$. In other words, the ROC is a half-plane to the right of the vertical line $\text{Re}(s) = \sigma_{\max}$ in the s -plane.

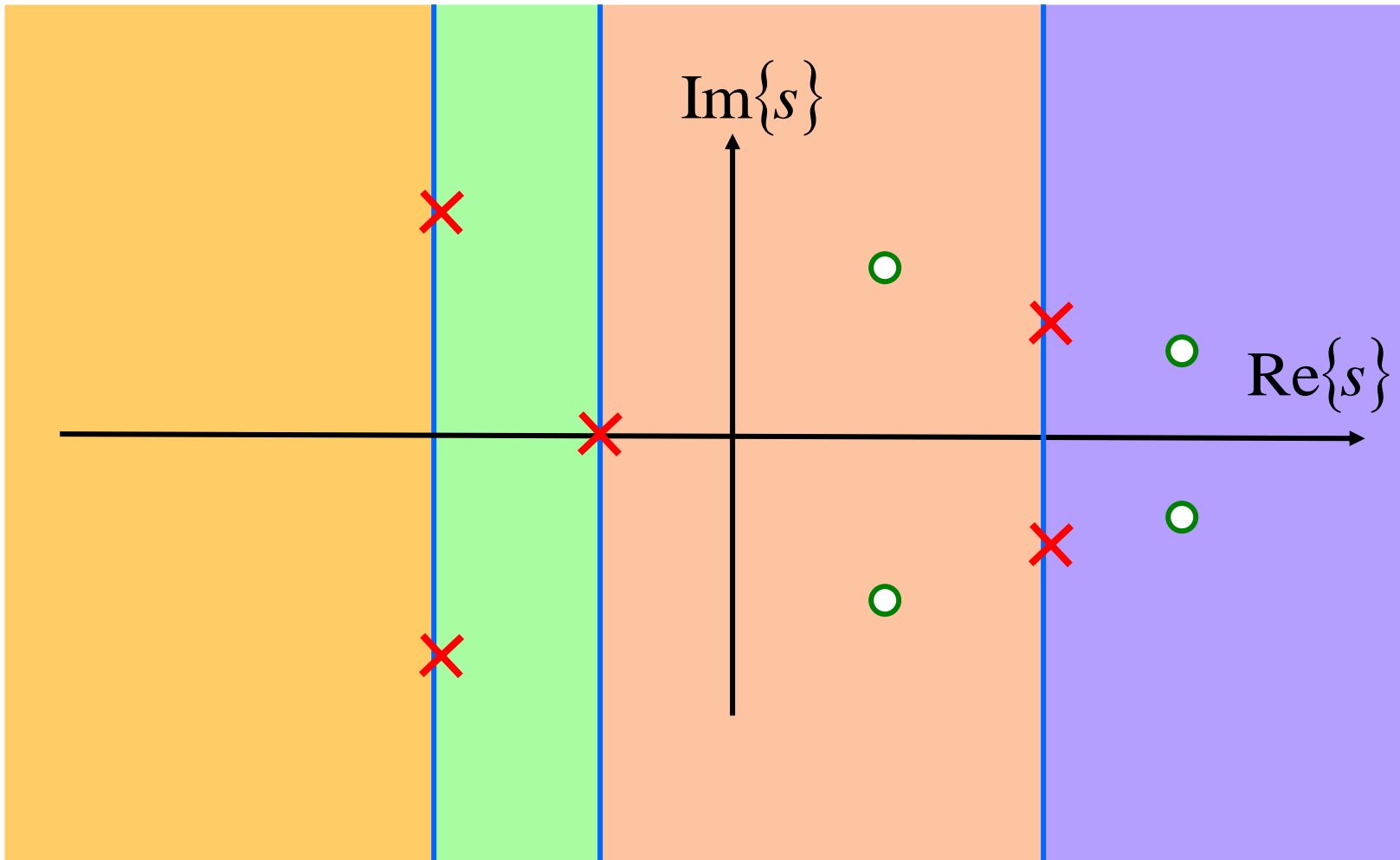
P4. If $x(t)$ is a left-sided signal, that is, $x(t) = 0$ for $t_2 < t$, then the ROC is of the form $\text{Re}(s) < \sigma_{\min}$, where σ_{\min} equals the minimum real part of any of the poles of $X(s)$.

P5. If $x(t)$ is a two-sided signal, that is, is $x(t)$ a finite-duration signal, then the ROC is of the form $\sigma_1 < \text{Re}(s) < \sigma_2$, where σ_1 and σ_2 are the real parts of two poles of $X(s)$. The ROC is a vertical strip in the s -plane between the vertical lines $\text{Re}(s) = \sigma_1$ and $\text{Re}(s) = \sigma_2$.

Pole-zero diagrams and ROCs

$$X(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = k \frac{(s - z_1) \dots (s - z_m)}{(s - p_1) \dots (s - p_n)}$$

Four different ROCs, four different signals
have the same Laplace transform formula.



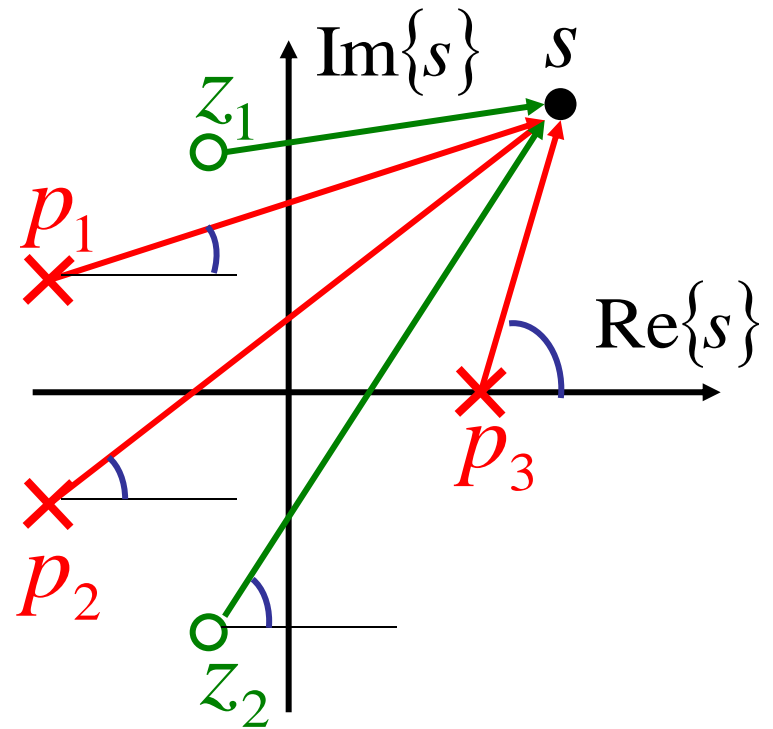
Pole-zero diagrams: a geometric interpretation

$$X(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = k \frac{(s - z_1) \dots (s - z_m)}{(s - p_1) \dots (s - p_n)}$$

Magnitude:

$$|X(s)| = |k| \frac{|s - z_1| \dots |s - z_m|}{|s - p_1| \dots |s - p_n|}$$

Phase: $\angle X(s) = \angle k +$
 $+ \sum_{\text{zeros}} \angle(s - z_i) - \sum_{\text{poles}} \angle(s - p_i)$



Laplace Transform Pairs for Common Signals 1

$x(t)$	$X(s)$	ROC
$\delta(t)$	1	All s
$u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$-u(-t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$	$\text{Re}(s) < 0$
$tu(t)$	$\frac{1}{s^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$t^k u(t)$	$\frac{k!}{s^{k+1}}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$e^{-at} u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s + a}$	$\text{Re}(s) > -\text{Re}(a)$
$-e^{-at} u(-t)$	$\frac{1}{s + a}$	$\text{Re}(s) < -\text{Re}(a)$

Laplace Transform Pairs for Common Signals 2

$x(t)$	$X(s)$	ROC
$te^{-at}u(t)$	$\frac{1}{(s+a)^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > -\text{Re}(a)$
$-te^{-at}u(-t)$	$\frac{1}{(s+a)^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) < -\text{Re}(a)$
$\cos \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$\sin \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{\omega_0}{s^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$e^{-at} \cos \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{s+a}{(s+a)^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > -\text{Re}(a)$
$e^{-at} \sin \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{\omega_0}{(s+a)^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > -\text{Re}(a)$

Properties of the two-sided Laplace transform 1

Linearity. $x_1(t) \leftrightarrow X_1(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R_1$, $x_2(t) \leftrightarrow X_2(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R_2$. Then $a_1x_1(t) + a_2x_2(t) \leftrightarrow a_1X_1(s) + a_2X_2(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R' \supset R_1 \cap R_2$

Time Shifting. $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R$. Then $x(t-t_0) \leftrightarrow \exp(-st_0)X(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R' = R$.

Shifting in the s -Domain. $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R$.

Then $\exp(st_0)x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s-s_0)$, $\text{ROC} = R' = R + \text{Re}(s_0)$.

Time Scaling. $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R' = R$.

Then $x(at) \leftrightarrow (1/|a|)X(s/a)$, $\text{ROC} = R' = aR$

Time Reversal. $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R$.

Then $x(-t) \leftrightarrow X(-s)$, $\text{ROC} = R' = -R$.

Properties of the two-sided Laplace transform 2

Differentiation in the Time Domain. $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R$.

Then $dx(t)/dt \leftrightarrow sX(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R' \supset R$.

Differentiation in the s -Domain. $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R$.

Then $-tx(t)/dt \leftrightarrow dX(s)/ds$, $\text{ROC} = R' = R$.

Integration in the Time Domain. $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R$.

Then
$$\int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{s} X(s) \quad \text{ROC} = R' = R \cap \{\text{Re}(s) > 0\}$$

Convolution. $x_1(t) \leftrightarrow X_1(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R_1$, $x_2(t) \leftrightarrow X_2(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R_2$.

Then $x_1(t) * x_2(t) \leftrightarrow X_1(s)X_2(s)$, $\text{ROC} = R' \supset R_1 \cap R_2$

Properties of the two-sided Laplace transform 3

PROPERTY	SIGNAL	TRANSFORM	ROC
	$x(t)$	$X(s)$	R
	$x_1(t)$	$X_1(s)$	R_1
	$x_2(t)$	$X_2(s)$	R_2
Linearity	$a_1 x_1(t) + a_2 x_2(t)$	$a_1 X_1(s) + a_2 X_2(s)$	$R' \supset R_1 \cap R_2$
Time shifting	$x(t-t_0)$	$e^{-st_0} X(s)$	$R' = R$
Shifting in s	$e^{s_0 t} x(t)$	$X(s-s_0)$	$R' = R + \text{Re}(s_0)$
Time scaling	$x(at)$	$\frac{1}{ a } X\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$	$R' = aR$
Time reversal	$x(-t)$	$X(-s)$	$R' = -R$
Differentiation in t	$\frac{dx(t)}{dt}$	$sX(s)$	$R' \supset R$
Differentiation in s	$-tx(t)$	$\frac{dX(s)}{ds}$	$R' = R$
Integration	$\int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau$	$\frac{1}{s} X(s)$	$R' \supset R \cap \{\text{Re}(s) > 0\}$
Convolution	$x_1(t) * x_2(t)$	$X_1(s) X_2(s)$	$R' \supset R_1 \cap R_2$

Laplace transform properties: Time-shifting

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

$$x(t - t_0) \xleftrightarrow{L} e^{-st_0} X(s)$$

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t - t_0) e^{-st} dt = e^{-st_0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t - t_0) e^{-s(t-t_0)} dt = e^{-st_0} X(s)$$

Laplace transform properties: Time-Reversal

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

$$x(-t) \xleftrightarrow{L} X(-s)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(-t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(s) e^{s(-t)} ds = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(s) e^{(-s)t} ds \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(-s) e^{(-s)t} d(-s) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(s') e^{(s')t} d(s') \end{aligned}$$

$$x(-t) \xleftrightarrow{L} X(s') = X(-s)$$

Laplace transform properties:

Differentiation

$$\boxed{\frac{dx(t)}{dt} \xleftrightarrow{L} s X(s)}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\sigma-j\infty}^{\sigma+j\infty} X(s) e^{st} ds$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} e^{st} = s e^{st}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\sigma-j\infty}^{\sigma+j\infty} X(s) \frac{d}{dt} (e^{st}) ds = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\sigma-j\infty}^{\sigma+j\infty} s X(s) e^{st} ds$$

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{L} X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt \quad x_{\sigma}(t) = x(t) e^{-\sigma t}$$

$$X_{\sigma}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_{\sigma}(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-(\sigma+j\omega)t} dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt, \quad s = \sigma + j\omega$$

$$x(t) = e^{\sigma t} x_{\sigma}(t) = e^{\sigma t} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_{\sigma}(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_{\sigma}(\omega) e^{(\sigma+j\omega)t} d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\sigma-j\infty}^{\sigma+j\infty} X(s) e^{st} ds$$

Laplace transform properties: Differentiation in s

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

$$-t x(t) \xleftrightarrow{L} \frac{dX(s)}{ds}$$

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

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

Laplace transform properties: Convolution

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

$$x_1(t) * x_2(t) \xrightarrow{L} X_1(s) X_2(s)$$

$$x_1(t) * x_2(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(\tau) x_2(t - \tau) d\tau$$

$$L[x_1(t) * x_2(t)] \xrightarrow{L} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(\tau) x_2(t - \tau) d\tau \right) e^{-st} dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(\tau) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_2(t - \tau) e^{-st} dt \right) d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(\tau) e^{-s\tau} X_2(s) d\tau$$

$$X_2(s) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(\tau) e^{-s\tau} d\tau = X_1(s) X_2(s)$$

Laplace transform

examples 1

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

Derive the Laplace transforms of the following signals:

$$x_1(t) = \delta(t) \qquad x_2(t) = u(t) \qquad x_3(t) = \delta'(t)$$

$$X_1(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-st} dt = 1 \quad \text{ROC: all } s$$

$$X_2(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{s} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > 0$$

$$X_3(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta'(t) e^{-st} dt = - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) \frac{d}{dt} (e^{-st}) dt = s \quad \text{ROC: all } s$$

integration by parts

Laplace transform examples 2

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

Derive the Laplace transforms of the following signals:

$$x_4(t) = t u(t) \quad x_5(t) = e^{-at} u(t) \quad x_6(t) = t e^{-at} u(t)$$

$$X_4(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t u(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-st} dt = -\frac{1}{s} \int_0^{\infty} t d(e^{-st}) = \frac{1}{s} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{s^2}$$

$$\text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > 0 \quad \text{integration by parts}$$

$$X_5(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-at} e^{-st} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(s+a)t} dt = \frac{1}{s+a} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > -a$$

$$X_6(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t e^{-at} e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{(s+a)^2} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > -a$$

differentiation in s property (can be also done by integration by parts)

Laplace transform examples 3

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

Derive the Laplace transforms of the following signals:

$$x_7(t) = \cos(\omega_0 t) u(t) \quad x_8(t) = e^{-at} \cos(\omega_0 t) u(t)$$

$$X_7(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(\omega_0 t) u(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} \cos(\omega_0 t) e^{-st} dt$$

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

$$\text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > 0$$

$$X_8(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-at} \cos(\omega_0 t) u(t) e^{-st} dt = \frac{s + a}{(s + a)^2 + \omega_0^2}$$

$$\text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > -a$$

Rational Laplace transform 1

An important special case: $X(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = k \frac{(s - z_1) \dots (s - z_m)}{(s - p_1) \dots (s - p_n)}$

If $m < n$, then $X(s)$ is called a proper rational function.

Otherwise it is called an improper rational function. Below we deal with proper rational functions.

Simple Pole Case. Assume that all zeros of $D(s)$ are distinct. Partial fraction decomposition: then $X(s)$ can be written as

$$X(s) = \frac{c_1}{s - p_1} + \dots + \frac{c_n}{s - p_n}, \quad c_k = (s - p_k)X(s) \Big|_{s=p_k}$$

Multiple Pole Case. Assume that $D(s)$ has multiple roots: it contains factors of the form $(s - p_i)^r$. Then the partial fraction decomposition of $X(s)$ consists of terms

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{s - p_i} + \frac{\lambda_2}{(s - p_i)^2} + \dots + \frac{\lambda_r}{(s - p_i)^r}, \quad \lambda_{r-k} = \frac{1}{k!} \frac{d^k}{ds^k} \left[(s - p_i)^r X(s) \right] \Big|_{s=p_i}$$

Rational Laplace transform 2

$$X(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = k \frac{(s - z_1) \dots (s - z_m)}{(s - p_1) \dots (s - p_n)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Improper rational} \\ \text{function:} \end{array} \quad m \geq n$$

$$X(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = Q(s) + \frac{R(s)}{D(s)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \frac{R(s)}{D(s)} \text{ is a proper rational} \\ \text{function} \end{array}$$

The inverse Laplace transform of $Q(s)$ can be computed by using the transformation pairs

$$\frac{d^k \delta(t)}{dt^k} \leftrightarrow s^k \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Rational Laplace transform examples 1

$x(t)$	$X(s)$	ROC
$\delta(t)$	1	All s
$u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$-u(-t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$	$\text{Re}(s) < 0$
$tu(t)$	$\frac{1}{s^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$t^k u(t)$	$\frac{k!}{s^{k+1}}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$e^{-at} u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s + a}$	$\text{Re}(s) > -\text{Re}(a)$
$-e^{-at} u(-t)$	$\frac{1}{s + a}$	$\text{Re}(s) < -\text{Re}(a)$

Find the inverse Laplace transforms of $X(s) = \frac{1}{s+1}$ ROC: $\text{Re}(s) > -1$

From the above table: $x(t) = e^{-t} u(t)$

Rational Laplace transform examples 2

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Find the inverse Laplace transforms of $X(s) = \frac{1}{s+1}$ ROC: $\text{Re}(s) < -1$

From the above table: $x(t) = -e^{-t} u(-t)$

Rational Laplace transform examples 3

$te^{-at}u(t)$	$\frac{1}{(s+a)^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > -\text{Re}(a)$
$-te^{-at}u(-t)$	$\frac{1}{(s+a)^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) < -\text{Re}(a)$
$\cos \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$\sin \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{\omega_0}{s^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > 0$
$e^{-at} \cos \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{s+a}{(s+a)^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > -\text{Re}(a)$
$e^{-at} \sin \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{\omega_0}{(s+a)^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$\text{Re}(s) > -\text{Re}(a)$

Find the inverse
Laplace transforms of $X(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + 4}$ ROC: $\text{Re}(s) > 0$

From the above table: $x(t) = \cos(2t)u(t)$

Rational Laplace transform examples 4a

Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$X(s) = \frac{2s+4}{s^2+4s+3} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > -1$$

$$X(s) = \frac{2s+4}{s^2+4s+3} = 2 \frac{s+2}{(s+1)(s+3)} = \frac{c_1}{s+1} + \frac{c_2}{s+3}$$

$$c_1 = (s+1)X(s)\big|_{s=-1} = 1 \quad c_2 = (s+3)X(s)\big|_{s=-3} = 1$$

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{1}{s+3}$$

$$\text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > -1 \Rightarrow x(t) = (e^{-t} + e^{-3t})u(t)$$

Rational Laplace transform examples 4b

Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$X(s) = \frac{2s+4}{s^2+4s+3} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) < -3$$

$$X(s) = \frac{2s+4}{s^2+4s+3} = 2 \frac{s+2}{(s+1)(s+3)} = \frac{c_1}{s+1} + \frac{c_2}{s+3}$$

$$c_1 = (s+1)X(s)\big|_{s=-1} = 1 \quad c_2 = (s+3)X(s)\big|_{s=-3} = 1$$

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{1}{s+3}$$

$$\boxed{\text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) < -3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x(t) = -(e^{-t} + e^{-3t})u(-t)}$$

Rational Laplace transform examples 4c

Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$X(s) = \frac{2s+4}{s^2+4s+3} \quad \text{ROC: } -3 < \text{Re}(s) < -1$$

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$$\text{ROC: } -3 < \text{Re}(s) < -1 \Rightarrow x(t) = -e^{-t}u(-t) + e^{-3t}u(t)$$

Rational Laplace transform examples 5

Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$X(s) = \frac{5s+13}{s(s^2+4s+13)} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > 0$$

$$X(s) = \frac{5s+13}{s(s+2-j3)(s+2+j3)} = \frac{c_1}{s} + \frac{c_2}{s-(-2+j3)} + \frac{c_3}{s-(-2-j3)}$$

$$c_1 = s X(s) \big|_{s=0} = 1 \quad c_2 = (s+2-j3)X(s) \big|_{s=-2+j3} = -\frac{1}{2}(1+j)$$

$$c_3 = (s+2+j3)X(s) \big|_{s=-2-j3} = -\frac{1}{2}(1-j)$$

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1+j}{s-(-2+j3)} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1-j}{s-(-2-j3)}$$

$$\text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > 0 \quad x(t) = u(t) - \frac{1+j}{2} e^{(-2+j3)t} u(t) - \frac{1-j}{2} e^{(-2-j3)t} u(t)$$

Rational Laplace transform examples 5 continued

Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$X(s) = \frac{5s + 13}{s(s^2 + 4s + 13)} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > 0$$

$$\text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > 0 \quad x(t) = u(t) - \frac{1+j}{2} e^{(-2+j3)t} u(t) - \frac{1-j}{2} e^{(-2-j3)t} u(t)$$

$$e^{(-2 \pm j3)t} = e^{-2t} (\cos 3t \pm j \sin 3t)$$

$$x(t) = (1 - e^{-2t} [\cos 3t - \sin 3t]) u(t)$$

Rational Laplace transform examples 6

Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$X(s) = \frac{2s+1}{s+2} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > -2$$

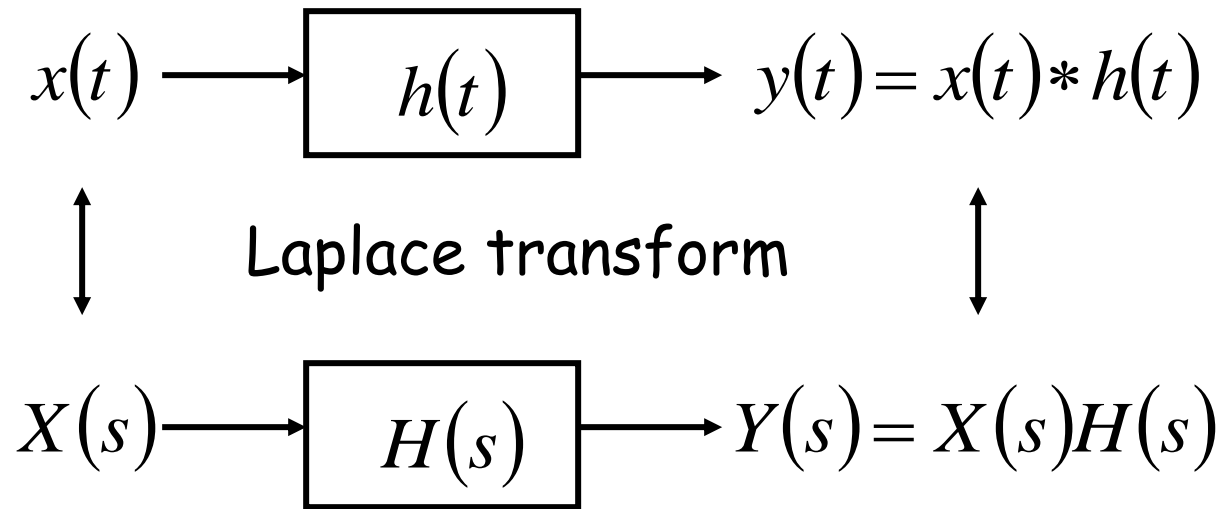
$$X(s) = \frac{2s+1}{s+2} = 2 - \frac{3}{s+2} \quad x(t) = 2\delta(t) - 3e^{-2t}u(t)$$

Find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$X(s) = \frac{s^3 + 2s^2 + 6}{s^2 + 3s} = s - 1 + \frac{2}{s} + \frac{1}{s+3} \quad \text{ROC: } \text{Re}(s) > 0$$

$$x(t) = \delta'(t) - \delta(t) + (2 + e^{-3t})u(t)$$

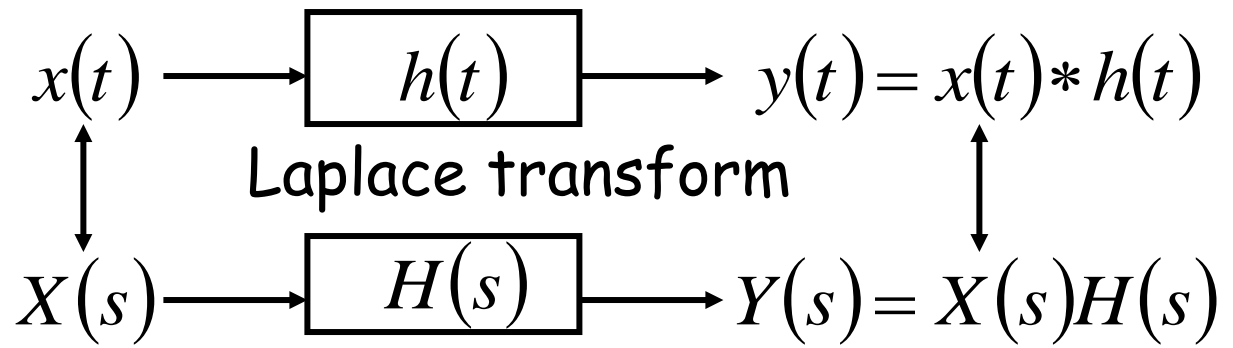
The System Function of a continuous-time LTI system



A **causal** system does not respond to an input event until that event actually occurs.

$$h(t) = 0 \quad t < 0$$

System Function examples 1



$$u(t) \rightarrow \boxed{h(t)} \rightarrow 2e^{-3t}u(t) \quad h(t) = ?$$

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{s} \quad \text{Re}(s) > 0 \quad Y(s) = \frac{2}{s+3} \quad \text{Re}(s) > -3$$

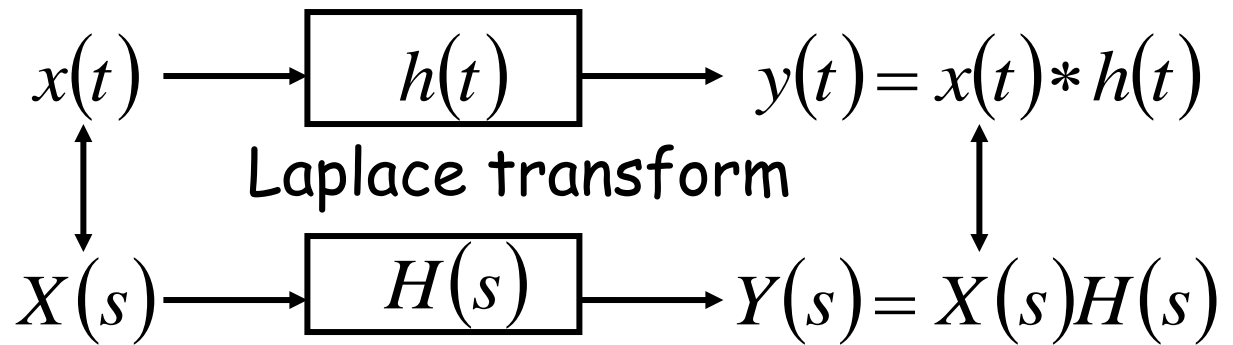
$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{2s}{s+3} = 2 - \frac{6}{s+3} \quad \text{Re}(s) > -3$$

$$h(t) = 2\delta(t) - 6e^{-3t}u(t)$$

Alternatively: $\delta(t) \rightarrow \boxed{h(t)} \rightarrow h(t) \quad x'(t) \rightarrow \boxed{h(t)} \rightarrow y'(t)$

$$\delta(t) = \frac{d}{dt}u(t) \quad \frac{d}{dt}(2e^{-3t}u(t)) = 2\delta(t) - 6e^{-3t}u(t) = h(t)$$

System Function examples 2



$$u(t) \rightarrow \boxed{h(t)} \rightarrow 2e^{-3t}u(t) \quad h(t) = 2\delta(t) - 6e^{-3t}u(t)$$

$$x(t) = e^{-t}u(t) \quad y(t) = ?$$

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{s+1} \quad \text{Re}(s) > -1 \quad H(s) = \frac{2s}{s+3}$$

$$Y(s) = X(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s+1} \frac{2s}{s+3} = -\frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{3}{s+3}$$

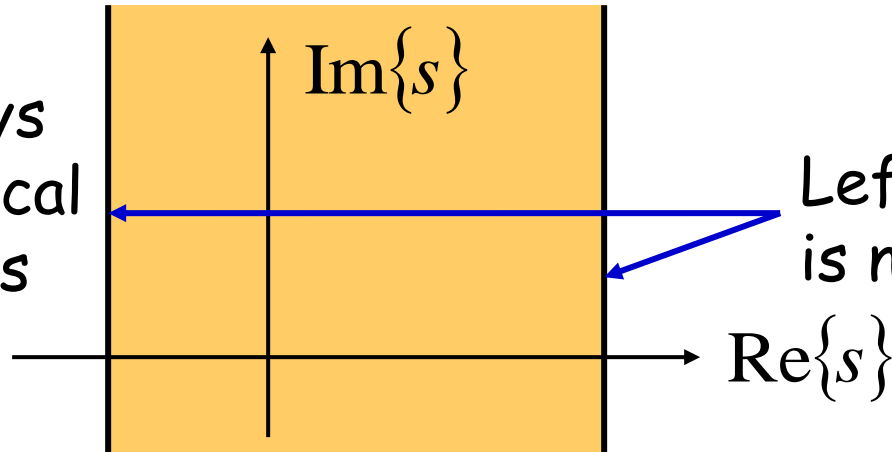
$$y(t) = (-e^{-t} + 3e^{-3t})u(t)$$

Alternatively:

$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t) = (2\delta(t) - 6e^{-3t}u(t)) * (e^{-t}u(t)) = \dots$$

Region of Convergence (ROC) and BIBO stability

ROC:
always
vertical
strips



Left or right boundary
is not always present

Stability (bounded input yields bounded output, **BIBO**):

$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t) = \int h(\tau) x(t - \tau) d\tau$$

$$|x(t)| \leq M \quad \Rightarrow \quad |y(t)| \leq M \int |h(\tau)| d\tau$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt < \infty$$

Stability (bounded input yields bounded output, BIBO):

Let $h(t)$ be the impulse response. The system is stable iff the ROC of $H(s)$ contains the imaginary axis in interior.

BIBO stability

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt < \infty$$

$$H(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t) e^{-st} dt \quad s = j\omega$$

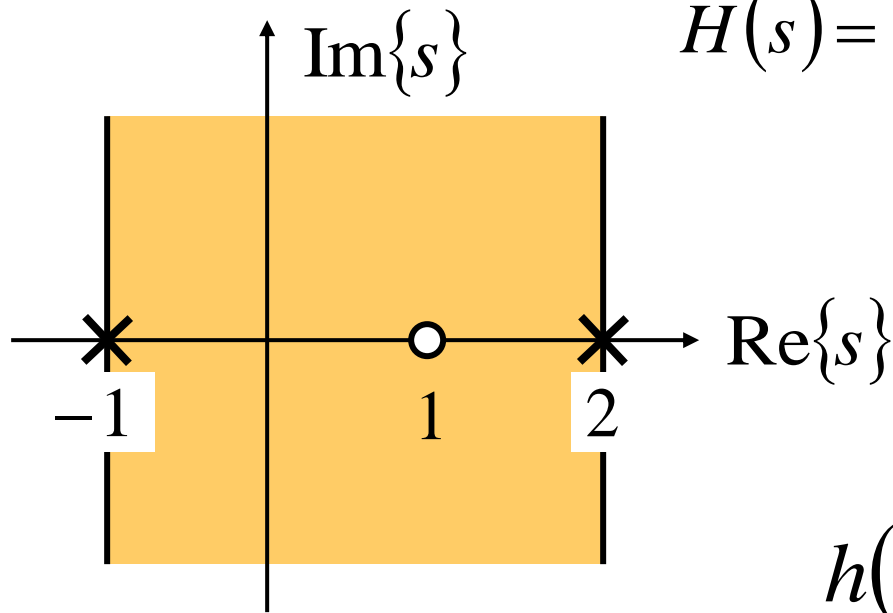
$$|H(j\omega)| = \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \right| \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t) e^{-j\omega t}| dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)| dt < \infty$$

If the system is stable, then $H(s)$ converges for $s = j\omega$.
That is, for a stable continuous-time LTI system, the ROC of $H(s)$ must contain the imaginary axis $s = j\omega$.

BIBO stability: An example

Consider a continuous-time LTI system whose system function is $H(s) = \frac{s-1}{(s+1)(s-2)}$

Let the system be BIBO stable. Find its ROC and the impulse response function $h(t)$.



$$H(s) = \frac{s-1}{(s+1)(s-2)} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{s-2}$$

$$h(t) = \frac{2}{3} e^{-t} u(t) - \frac{1}{3} e^{2t} u(-t)$$

LTI Systems described by Linear Constant-Coefficient Differential Equations

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k \frac{d^k y(t)}{dt^k} = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \frac{d^k x(t)}{dt^k}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k s^k Y(s) = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k s^k X(s)$$

$$Y(s) \sum_{k=0}^N a_k s^k = X(s) \sum_{k=0}^M b_k s^k \quad H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^M b_k s^k}{\sum_{k=0}^N a_k s^k}$$

Hence, $H(s)$ is always rational. $H(s)$ is called **system equation (also called transfer function)**. Note that the ROC of $H(s)$ is not specified by the differential equation but must be inferred with additional requirements on the system such as the causality or the stability.

LTI Systems described by Linear Constant-Coefficient Differential Equations: An example

Consider a continuous-time LTI system for which the input $x(t)$ and output $y(t)$ are related by

$$y''(t) + y'(t) - 2y(t) = x(t)$$

- (a) Find the system function $H(s)$.
- (b) Determine the impulse response $h(t)$ for each of the following three cases: (i) the system is casual, (ii) the system is stable, (iii) the system is neither casual nor stable.

(a) We have $s^2Y(s) + sY(s) - 2Y(s) = X(s)$

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

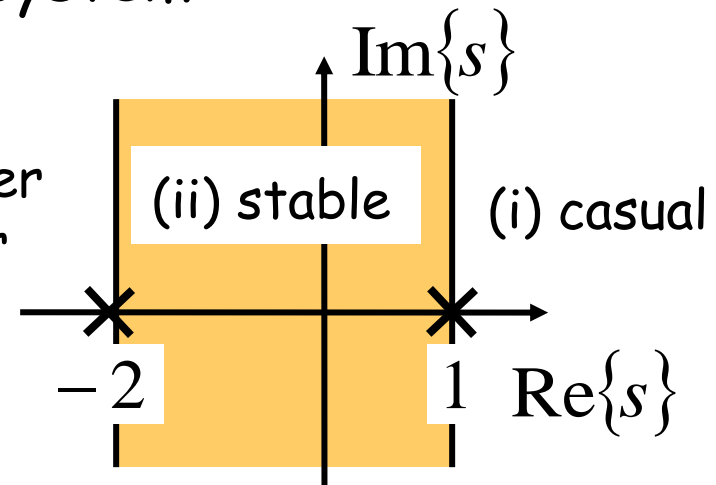
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(b) Determine the impulse response $h(t)$ for each of the following three cases: (i) the system is casual, (ii) the system is stable, (iii) the system is neither casual nor stable.

$$H(s) = -\frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{s+2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{s-1}$$

(iii) neither
casual nor
stable



$$(i) \ h(t) = -\frac{1}{3} (e^{-2t} - e^t) u(t) \quad (ii) \ h(t) = -\frac{1}{3} e^{-2t} u(t) - \frac{1}{3} e^t u(-t)$$

$$(iii) \ h(t) = \frac{1}{3} e^{-2t} u(-t) - \frac{1}{3} e^t u(-t)$$

Causality and stability

$$X(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = k \frac{(s - z_1) \dots (s - z_m)}{(s - p_1) \dots (s - p_n)}$$

A rational Laplace transform is both causal and stable if all poles are in the left half-plane (the poles have negative real parts)

