

Lecture 13

Laplace Transforms (part 2)

Review:

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

Linearity: $\bullet \mathcal{L}\{cf(t)\} = c \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$

$\bullet \mathcal{L}\{f(t) + g(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} + \mathcal{L}\{g(t)\}$

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

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}\{e^{bt} f(t)\} = F(s-b)$$

Inverse Laplace Transform:

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

Example 1 $F(s) = \frac{24}{s^4} - \frac{9}{s^2+9}$, $f(t)$?

$$\#3 \quad \mathcal{L}\{t^n\} = \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$$

$$\#7 \quad \mathcal{L}\{\sin(at)\} = \frac{a}{s^2+a^2}$$

$$\text{Set } n=3 : \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{6}{s^4}\right\} = t^3$$

$$a=3 : \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3}{s^2+9}\right\} = \sin(3t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{24}{s^4} - \frac{9}{s^2+9}\right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{24}{s^4}\right\} - \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{9}{s^2+9}\right\} \\ &= 4 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{6}{s^4}\right\} - 3 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3}{s^2+9}\right\} \\ &= 4t^3 - 3\sin(3t) \end{aligned}$$

Derivatives

If $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$, what is $\mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\}$?

$$\mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f'(t) dt$$

integration
by parts

$$= e^{-st} f(t) \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} (-s e^{-st}) f(t) dt$$

$$= 0 - e^0 f(0) + s \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt}_{F(s)}$$

$$= \boxed{s F(s) - f(0)} \quad (\#35)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f''(t)\} = s^2 F(s) - s f(0) - f'(0) \quad (\#36)$$

⋮

$$\mathcal{L}\{f^{(n)}(t)\} = s^n F(s) - s^{n-1} f(0) - s^{n-2} f'(0) - \dots - s f^{(n-2)}(0) - f^{(n-1)}(0) \quad (\#37)$$

Example 2

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y, \quad y(0) = 1$$

1) Take Laplace Transform (LT) of both sides of the equation

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{dy}{dt}\right\} = \mathcal{L}\{y\}$$

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$$s Y(s) - y(0) = Y(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow s Y(s) - 1 = Y(s)$$

↑ since $y(0) = 1$

ODE
turns
into
an
algebraic
equation

2) Solve for $Y(s)$

$$\Rightarrow s Y(s) - Y(s) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (s-1) Y(s) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{1}{s-1}$$

3) Invert $Y(s)$ back to the time domain using your table

$$\#2 \quad \mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\} = \frac{1}{s-a} \quad \curvearrowright a=1$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-1}\right\} = e^t$$

Example 3

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 4y = 0, \quad y(0)=0, \quad y'(0)=1$$

1) Take LT of the ODE

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2}\right\} + 4\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{0\}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \swarrow \#36 \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \\ s^2 Y(s) - \cancel{s y(0)} - \overset{y'(0)=1}{y'(0)} + 4Y = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow s^2 Y(s) - 1 + 4Y(s) = 0$$

2) Solve for $Y(s)$

$$s^2 Y(s) + 4 Y(s) = 1$$

$$(s^2 + 4) Y(s) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 4}$$

3) Invert: $y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\}$

$$\#7: \mathcal{L}\{\sin(at)\} = \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \quad \downarrow a=2$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2 + 4}\right\} = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2}{s^2 + 4}\right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sin(2t)$$

General 2nd-order, constant coefficient,
linear, ODE:

$$a y'' + b y' + c y = f(t)$$

$$y(0) = \alpha, \quad y'(0) = \beta$$

1) Take LT of ODE:

$$a \mathcal{L}\{y''\} + b \mathcal{L}\{y'\} + c \mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{f\}$$

$$a \underbrace{\left(s^2 Y - s y(0) - y'(0) \right)}_{\#36} + b \underbrace{\left(s Y - y(0) \right)}_{\#35} + c Y = F$$

$$\Rightarrow a (s^2 Y - s\alpha - \beta) + b (s Y - \alpha) + c Y = F$$

2) Solve for $Y(s)$

$$\Rightarrow a s^2 Y(s) + b s Y(s) + c Y(s) = F + a(s\alpha + \beta) + b\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow (a s^2 + b s + c) Y(s) = F + a(s\alpha + \beta) + b\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{\underbrace{F(s)}_{\text{external terms}} + \underbrace{a(s\alpha + \beta) + b\alpha}_{\text{initial conditions}}}{\underbrace{a s^2 + b s + c}_{\text{response of system}}}$$

$$3) \text{ Invert: } y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ Y(s) \}$$

★ Since there will always be a polynomial in the denominator, algebra tricks can be useful

(A) Completing the square

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + bx + c &= x^2 + bx + \frac{b^2}{4} - \frac{b^2}{4} + c \\ &= \left(x + \frac{b}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{b^2}{4} + c \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex \#19:}} \quad \mathcal{L} \{ e^{at} \sin(bt) \} = \frac{b}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$$

(B) Partial Fractions

$$\frac{1}{(x+1)(x+2)} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x+2} \quad ?$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{A}{\cancel{x+1}} (\cancel{x+1})(x+2) + \frac{B}{\cancel{x+2}} (x+1)(\cancel{x+2})$$

$$= A(x+2) + B(x+1)$$

$$= (A+B)x + (2A+B)$$

$$\Rightarrow A+B=0, \quad 2A+B=1$$

$$B = -A \rightarrow 2A - A = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{A=1}$$

$$\boxed{B = -A = -1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{(x+1)(x+2)} = \frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{1}{x+2}}$$