

GATE-AI BRANCHES Engineering Mathematics



LAPLACE TRANSFORM

Discussion Notes



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Topic : Laplace transform

#Q. If the Laplace transform of a function $f(t)$ is given by $\frac{s+3}{(s+1)(s+2)}$ then $f(0)$ is.

A

0

B

$1/2$

C

1

D

$3/2$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{s+3}{(s+1)(s+2)}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{2}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s+2}$$

Applying \mathcal{L}^{-1} on both sides -

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

$$f(t) = 2e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(e^{at}) = \frac{1}{s-a}$$

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

e^{at}



$$\therefore f(0) = 2 \cdot e^{-0} - e^{-2 \cdot (0)} = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$\boxed{f(0) = 1}$$



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#Q. The Laplace transform of $\sinh(at)$ is

A

$$\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$$

$$\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$$

B

$$\frac{s}{s^2 - a^2}$$

C

$$\frac{a}{s^2 - a^2}$$

D

$$\frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\sinh at) = ?$$

$$\sinh at = \frac{e^{at} - e^{-at}}{2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sinh at\} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \mathcal{L}(e^{at}) - \mathcal{L}(e^{-at}) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{(s-a)} - \frac{1}{(s+a)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{(s-a)} - \frac{1}{(s+a)} \right\} \rightarrow \frac{\cancel{s+a} - \cancel{s+a}}{2(s^2 - a^2)}$$

$$= \frac{a}{(s^2 - a^2)}$$



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#Q. The Laplace transform $F(s)$ of the exponential function $f(t) = e^{at}$ when t is greater than equal to 0, where a is a constant and $(s - a) > 0$, is

A

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

C

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

B

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

D

$$\infty$$

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

$$\mathcal{L}(e^{at}) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{at} \cdot e^{-st} \cdot dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s-a) \cdot t} \cdot dt$$

$$\left[\frac{e^{-(s-a)t}}{-(s-a)} \right]_0^{\infty} = \frac{-1}{s-a} (0-1)$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}(e^{at}) = \frac{1}{s-a}}$$



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#Q. The value of $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$ is

A $\frac{\pi}{2}$

C $\frac{3\pi}{2}$

~~**B** π~~

D 1

$$I = I_1 + I_2$$

$$I_1 = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx \quad \& \quad I_2 = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$$

$$I_1 = \tan^{-1}x \Big|_0^{\infty} \quad \& \quad I_2 = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$$

$$= \pi/2 - 0$$

Considering the Laplace transform of $\sin at$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sin at\} = \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$$

By the property of division with 't':-



$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\sin at}{t}\right\} = \int_s^{\infty} \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} ds$$

$$= \int_s^{\infty} e^{-st} \cdot \frac{\sin at}{t} \cdot dt = \frac{1}{a} \cdot \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{s}{a}\right) \Big|_s^{\infty}$$

$$\int_s^{\infty} e^{-st} \cdot \frac{\sin at}{t} \cdot dt = \frac{1}{a} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{s}{a}\right) \right)$$

Substituting $s=0$ & $a=1$ in both sides of above eqⁿ - 

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin t}{t} dt = \left[\frac{\pi}{2} - 0 \right] = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin nx}{n} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Therefore,

$$I = \left[\tan^{-1} n \right]_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin nx}{n} dx$$

$$\left[\because \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin nx}{n} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$$

$$I = \tan^{-1} \infty - \tan^{-1} 0 + \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$I = \frac{\pi}{2} - 0 + \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\boxed{I = \pi}$$



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#Q. The value of the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 12 \cos(2\pi t) \frac{\sin(4\pi t)}{4\pi t} dt$ is 2.

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 12 \cos(2\pi t) \cdot \frac{\sin(4\pi t)}{4\pi t} \cdot dt$$

$$= 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} 12 \cdot \cos(2\pi t) \cdot \frac{\sin(4\pi t)}{(4\pi t)} \cdot dt$$

$$\left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) dt = 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} f(t) \cdot dt, \text{ if } |f(-t) = f(t)| \right\}$$

$$I = 3 \times \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2 \sin(4\pi t) \cdot \cos(2\pi t)}{\pi t} dt$$



$$I = \frac{3}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin 6\pi t + \sin 2\pi t}{f(t)} dt$$

$$\sin A + \sin B = 2 \sin \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \cdot \cos \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right)$$

$$I = 3 \times \left(\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin(6\pi t)}{\pi t} dt + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2\pi t)}{\pi t} dt \right)$$

$$I = I_1 + I_2$$

$$I_1 = 3 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin 6\pi t}{\pi t} \cdot dt$$

$$\text{let } 6\pi t = u$$

$$6\pi \cdot dt = du$$

$$dt = \frac{du}{6\pi}$$

$$t=0, u=0$$

$$t=\infty, u=\infty$$

$$I_1 = 3\pi \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin u}{u} \cdot \frac{du}{6\pi}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin u}{u} \cdot du = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$I_1 = \frac{3}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin u}{u} \cdot du$$

$$= \frac{3}{\pi} \times \frac{\pi}{2} = \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{let } I_2 = 3 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin 2nt}{n^7} \cdot dt$$

$$2nt = u$$

$$2n \cdot dt = du$$

$$dt = \frac{du}{2n}$$

$$\text{when } t=0, \quad u=0$$

$$t \rightarrow \infty, \quad u = \infty$$

$$I_2 = 3 \times \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin u}{\frac{u^7}{2}} \cdot \frac{du}{2n} = \frac{3}{n^7} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin u}{u} \cdot du$$

$$I_2 = \frac{3}{n^7} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin u}{u} \cdot du$$

$$= \frac{3}{n^7} \times \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{3}{2n^7}$$

$$\boxed{I_1 + I_2 = 2 - 3}$$



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#Q. Laplace transform of $\cos(\omega t)$ is $\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$. The Laplace transformation of $e^{-2t} \cos(4t)$ is

A

$$\frac{s-2}{(s-2)^2 + 16}$$

B

$$\frac{s+2}{(s-2)^2 + 16}$$

C

$$\frac{s-2}{(s+2)^2 + 16}$$

D

$$\frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2 + 16}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\cos wt) = \frac{s}{s^2 + w^2}$$

By first shift property -

$$\mathcal{L}(e^{at} \cdot \cos wt) = \frac{(s-a)}{(s-a)^2 + w^2}$$

Substitute $a = -2$ & $w = 4$

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{-2t} \cdot \cos 4t\} = \frac{s - (-2)}{(s - (-2))^2 + 4^2}$$

$$= \frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2+16}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{-2t} \cdot \cos 4t\} = \frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2+16}$$



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#Q. The function $f(t)$ satisfies the differential equation $\frac{d^2 f}{dt^2} + f = 0$ and the auxiliary conditions, $f(0) = 0, \frac{df}{dt}(0) = 4$. The Laplace transform of $f(t)$ is given by

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

B $\frac{4}{s+1}$

C $\frac{4}{s^2+1}$

D $\frac{2}{s^4+1}$

given $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + f = 0$; $f(0) = 0$, $\frac{dy}{dt}(0) = 4$.



The auxiliary eqⁿ is $m^2 + 1 = 0$
 $m = \pm i$

The solⁿ is $CF = C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t$

given $f(0) = 0$

$$C_1 \cdot \cos 0 + C_2 \cdot \sin 0 = 0$$

$$\boxed{C_1 \cdot 1 = 0}$$

$$\boxed{C_1 = 0}$$

$$f(t) = c_2 \sin t$$

$$\frac{df(t)}{dt} = c_2 \cos t$$

$$c_2 \pi = 4$$

$$\boxed{c_2 = 4}$$

$$\underline{\underline{f(t) = 4 \sin t}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{4 \sin t\}$$

$$= 4 \mathcal{L}\{\sin t\}$$

$$= 4 \pi \frac{1}{s^2 + 1}$$

$$\boxed{= \frac{4}{s^2 + 1}}$$



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#Q. The inverse Laplace transform of the function $F(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+1)}$ is given by :

A

$$f(t) = \sin t$$

B

$$f(t) = e^{-t} \sin t$$

C

$$f(t) = e^{-t}$$

D

~~$$f(t) = 1 - e^{-t}$$~~

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

$$f(s) = \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s+1} \right) \rightarrow \text{partial fraction}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(f(s)) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s} \right\} - \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s+1} \right\}$$

$$f(t) = \underline{1 - e^{-t}}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}(e^{at}) = \frac{1}{s-a}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(t^n) = \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}\left(\frac{1}{s}\right) = 1$$



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#Q. The Laplace transform of a function $f(t)$ is $\frac{1}{s^2(s+1)}$. The function $f(t)$ is

A

~~$t - 1 + e^{-t}$~~

B

$t + 1 + e^{-t}$

C

$-1 + e^{-t}$

D

$2t + e^t$

$$\mathcal{L}(f(t)) = f(s) = \frac{1}{s^2(s+1)}$$

using partial fraction over here -

$$f(s) = \frac{1}{s^2(s+1)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s^2} + \frac{C}{s+1}$$

$$f(s) = \frac{As(s+1) + B(s+1) + Cs^2}{s^2(s+1)} = \frac{1}{s^2(s+1)}$$

$$A+C=0 \quad ; \quad A+B=0 \quad ; \quad \underline{\underline{B=1}}$$

$$\underline{A=-1}, \quad \underline{C=1}$$

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

Applying inverse Laplace on both sides:-

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

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

$$\left\{ \mathcal{L} \left\{ e^{at} \right\} = \frac{1}{s-a} \right\}$$



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#Q. The inverse Laplace transform of $\frac{1}{(S^2 + S)}$ is

A

$$1 + e^t$$

B

$$1 - e^t$$

C

$$1 + e^{-t}$$

D

$$1 - e^{-t}$$





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

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(f(s)) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s}\right) - \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s+1}\right)$$

$$= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-0}\right\} - \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+1}\right\}$$

$$= e^{0 \cdot t} - e^{-1 \cdot t}$$

$$= \boxed{1 - e^{-t}}$$



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#Q. Laplace transform for the functions $f(x) = \cosh(ax)$ is

A $\frac{a}{s^2 - a^2}$

C $\frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$

B $\frac{s}{s^2 - a^2}$

D $\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$

$$f(x) = \cosh(ax)$$

$$\cosh ax = \frac{e^{ax} + e^{-ax}}{2}$$

Taking Laplace transform, we get -

$$\frac{1}{2} \{ \mathcal{L}(e^{ax}) + \mathcal{L}(e^{-ax}) \}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{s-a} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{s+a} \right) \right\} = \frac{2s}{2(s^2 - a^2)} = \left(\frac{s}{s^2 - a^2} \right)$$



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#Q. The solution of $\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} - y = 1$, which additional satisfies $y|_{t=0} = \frac{dy}{dt}|_{t=0} = 0$ in the Laplace s-domain is

A $\frac{1}{s(s+1)(s-1)}$

C $\frac{1}{s(s-1)}$

B $\frac{1}{s(s+1)}$

D $\frac{1}{(s-1)}$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} - y = 1 \quad y(0) = 0 \quad \& \quad \left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = 0$$

Applying Laplace transformation on both sides of ODE.

$$\left(s^2 F(s) - s y(0) - y'(0) \right) = F(s)$$

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

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

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



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#Q. The value of the integral is $2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sin 2\pi t}{\pi t} \right) dt$ equal to

A 0

B 0.5

C 1

D 2

$$2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin \pi t}{\pi t} dt$$

$$f(t) = f(-t) = \frac{\sin(2\pi t)}{\pi t}$$

$$I = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin 2\pi t}{\pi t} dt = 4 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin 2\pi t}{\pi t} dt$$

$$= \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin 2\pi t}{t} dt$$

from Laplace transform

$$\mathcal{L}\left[\frac{f(t)}{t}\right] = \int_0^{\infty} f(s) \cdot ds$$

we know $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin at}{t} dt = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin 2\pi t}{t} dt = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Hence $I = \frac{4}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} = 2$



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#Q. Let $X(s) = \frac{3s+5}{s^2+10s+21}$ be the Laplace Transform of a signal $x(t)$. Then, $x(0^+)$ is

A

0

B

3

C

5

D

None of these

using the theorem -

$$x(0+) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s \cdot X(s)$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{s(3s+5)}{s^2+10s+24} \right)$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 \left(1 + \frac{5}{s} \right)}{1 + \frac{10}{s} + \frac{24}{s^2}} = 3$$



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#Q. Consider the differential equation :

$$\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + y(t) = \delta(t) \quad \text{with} \quad y(t)|_{t=0} = -2 \text{ and } \left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_{t=0^+} = 0$$

The numerical value of $\left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_{t=0}$ is

A -2

C 0

B -1

D 1

given data -

$$\frac{d^2y(t)}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + y(t) = \delta(t)$$

$$y(t)/_{t=0} = -2 \Rightarrow y(0) = -2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} = 0 \Rightarrow y'(0) = 0$$

differential eqⁿ can be written as -

$$\boxed{y'' + 2y' + y = \delta(t)}$$

Taking Laplace transform on both sides! — 

$$\left[s^2 Y(s) - s y(0) - y'(0) \right] + 2 \left[s Y(s) - y(0) \right] + Y(s) = 1$$

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

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

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

$$Y(s) = \frac{-3}{(s+1)^2} - 2 \left[\frac{(s+1)-1}{(s+1)^2} \right]$$

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

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

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

$$= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{-1}{(s+1)^2} - \frac{2}{(s+1)} \right]$$



2 mins Summary

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Five

$$y = -te^{-t}$$

$$-2e^{-t}$$

$$L\left\{\frac{1}{s-4}\right\}$$

$$e^{4t}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = te^{-t} - e^{-t} + 2e^{-t}$$

$$= e^{-t}(t-1+2)$$

$$= e^{-t}(t+1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} = 1$$

THANK - YOU

Topics to be Covered