

Chapter 14. s-Domain Circuit Analysis

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Complex Frequency

- Exponentially damped sinusoid

✓ $v(t) = V_m e^{\sigma t} \cos(\omega t + \theta) = \text{Re}\{V_m e^{j\theta} e^{st}\}$, where $s = \sigma + j\omega$ (complex frequency)

† DC, if $\sigma = \omega = 0$

† Sinusoidal, if $\sigma = 0$

† Exponential, if $\omega = 0$

✓ Complex function, $v(t) = K e^{st}$, where both K and s are complex.

- Sinusoid, $v(t) = V_m \cos(\omega t + \theta)$

✓ $\cos(\omega t + \theta) = \frac{1}{2} (e^{j(\omega t + \theta)} + e^{-j(\omega t + \theta)})$

✓ $v(t) = \frac{1}{2} V_m (e^{j(\omega t + \theta)} + e^{-j(\omega t + \theta)}) = K_1 e^{s_1 t} + K_2 e^{s_2 t}$, where $s_{1,2} = \pm j\omega$

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Laplace Transform

- Two-sided Laplace Transform

$$\checkmark F(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt \quad f(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} F(s), F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}, f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$$

† Frequency domain representation of time-domain waveform $f(t)$

- Unilateral (one-sided) Laplace Transform

$$\checkmark F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt \quad f(t) = \frac{1}{j2\pi} \int_{\sigma_0 - j\infty}^{\sigma_0 + j\infty} F(s)e^{st} ds \text{ (complex contour integration)}$$

† We are interested in only functions that are defined for $t \geq 0$.

- Example 14.1 $f(t) = 2 \cdot u(t - 3)$

$$\checkmark F(s) = 2 \int_3^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = -\frac{2}{s} e^{-st} \Big|_{t=3}^{\infty} = \frac{2}{s} e^{-3s}$$

Laplace Transform

- Unit-step function, $u(t)$

$$\checkmark u(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \frac{1}{s} \text{ (} Re(s) > 0 \text{)}$$

- Unit-impulse function, $\delta(t)$

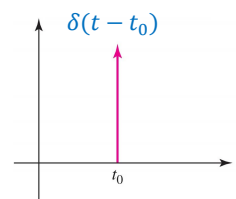
$$\checkmark \delta(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} 1$$

† $f(t)\delta(t) = f(0)\delta(t)$ and $f(t)\delta(t - t_0) = f(t_0)\delta(t - t_0)$ (sifting property)

$$\dagger \int_{0^-}^{0^+} \delta(t) dt = 1$$

- Exponential function, $e^{-at}u(t)$

$$\checkmark \mathcal{L}\{e^{-at}u(t)\} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \frac{1}{s+a}$$



Notes on Laplace Transform

- **Linearity:**

$$\vee \text{ If } F_1(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f_1(t)\} \text{ and } F_2(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f_2(t)\}, aF_1(s) + bF_2(s) = \mathcal{L}\{af_1(t) + bf_2(t)\}$$

- **Example 14.2**

$$\vee G(s) = \frac{7}{s} - \frac{31}{s+17} \Rightarrow g(t) = (7 - 31e^{-17t})u(t)$$

$$\dagger u(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \frac{1}{s} \text{ and } e^{-\alpha t}u(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \frac{1}{s+\alpha}$$

$$\vee F(s) = 2 \cdot \frac{s+2}{s} = 2 + \frac{4}{s} \Rightarrow f(t) = 2\delta(t) + 4u(t)$$

Partial Fraction Expansion

- Rational Laplace Transform, $V(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)}$

\vee Both $N(s)$ and $D(s)$ are polynomial of s .

\vee **Proper**, when $\deg(N(s)) < \deg(D(s))$

\vee **Pole**: $D(s) = 0$, **zero**: $N(s) = 0$

- **Simple poles**

$$\vee V(s) = \frac{1}{(s+\alpha)(s+\beta)} = \frac{A}{s+\alpha} + \frac{B}{s+\beta}$$

$$\dagger A = (s+\alpha)V(s)|_{s \leftarrow -\alpha} = \frac{1}{\beta-\alpha} \text{ and } B = (s+\beta)V(s)|_{s \leftarrow -\beta} = -A$$

$$\dagger v(t) = \frac{1}{\alpha-\beta}(e^{-\alpha t} - e^{-\beta t})u(t)$$

Partial Fraction Expansion

• Double poles

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vee V(s) &= \frac{1}{(s+\alpha)^2(s+\beta)} = \frac{A}{(s+\alpha)^2} + \frac{B}{s+\alpha} + \frac{C}{s+\beta} \\
 \dagger A &= (s+\alpha)^2 V(s)|_{s \leftarrow -\alpha} \text{ and } C = (s+\beta) V(s)|_{s \leftarrow -\beta} \\
 \dagger (s+\alpha)^2 V(s) &= A + B(s+\alpha) + C \frac{(s+\alpha)^2}{s+\beta} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{ds} ((s+\alpha)^2 V(s)) = B + C \frac{(s+\alpha)(s+2\beta-\alpha)}{(s+\beta)^2} \\
 \dagger v(t) &= (Ate^{-\alpha t} + Be^{-\alpha t} + Ce^{-\beta t})u(t) \\
 &\quad - te^{-\alpha t} u(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \frac{1}{(s+\alpha)^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Partial Fraction Expansion

• Example 14.4

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vee P(s) &= \frac{7s+5}{s^2+s} = \frac{7s+5}{s(s+1)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+1} \\
 \dagger A &= sP(s)|_{s \leftarrow 0} = \frac{7s+5}{s+1} \Big|_{s \leftarrow 0} = 5 \text{ and } B = (s+1)P(s)|_{s \leftarrow -1} = \frac{7s+5}{s} \Big|_{s \leftarrow -1} = 2 \\
 \dagger p(t) &= (5 + 2e^{-t})u(t) \\
 \vee V(s) &= \frac{2}{s(s+6)^2} = \frac{A}{(s+6)^2} + \frac{B}{s+6} + \frac{C}{s} \\
 \dagger A &= (s+6)^2 V(s)|_{s \leftarrow -6} = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ and } C = sV(s)|_{s \leftarrow 0} = \frac{1}{18} \\
 \dagger B &= \frac{d}{ds} ((s+6)^2 V(s)) \Big|_{s \leftarrow -6} = -\frac{2}{s^2} \Big|_{s \leftarrow -6} = -\frac{1}{18} \\
 \dagger v(t) &= \left(-\frac{1}{3} te^{-6t} - \frac{1}{18} e^{-6t} + \frac{1}{18} \right) u(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

Laplace Transform: Properties

- Time differentiation, $\frac{dv}{dt} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} sV(s) - v(0^-)$

$$\checkmark \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{dv}{dt}\right\} = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} \frac{dv}{dt} e^{-st} dt = v(t)e^{-st} \Big|_{t=0^-}^{\infty} - \frac{1}{s} \int_{0^-}^{\infty} v(t)e^{-st} dt$$

$$\checkmark \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2v}{dt^2}\right\} = s^2V(s) - sv(0^-) - v'(0^-)$$

✓ Differential operator, s

- Time integration, $\int_{0^-}^t v(\tau) d\tau \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \frac{1}{s}V(s)$

$$\checkmark \mathcal{L}\left\{\int_{0^-}^t v(\tau) d\tau\right\} = \left(\int_{0^-}^t v(\tau) d\tau\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{s}e^{-st}\right) \Big|_{t=0^-}^{\infty} + \frac{1}{s} \int_{0^-}^{\infty} v(t)e^{-st} dt$$

$$+ \frac{d}{dt}\left(\int_{0^-}^t v(\tau) d\tau\right) = v(t) \dots \text{Leibniz integral rule}$$

✓ Integral operator, $1/s$

Laplace Transform: Circuit Analysis

- Example 14.6 RL series circuit, $L = 2$ [H], $R = 4$ [Ω], and $v_s(t) = 3u(t)$ [V]

$$\checkmark 2 \frac{di}{dt} + 4i = 3u(t)$$

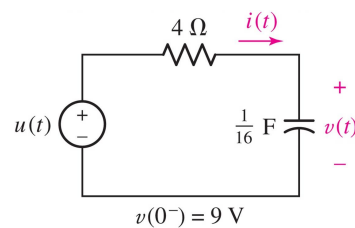
$$\checkmark 2(sI(s) - i(0^-)) + 4I(s) = \frac{3}{s}$$

$$\checkmark I(s) = \frac{1.5}{s(s+2)} + \frac{5}{s+2} = \frac{0.75}{s} + \frac{4.25}{s+2} \Rightarrow i(t) = (0.75 + 4.25e^{-2t})u(t)$$

- Example 14.7 RC series circuit

$$\checkmark \frac{v(t)-u(t)}{4} + \frac{1}{16} \frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

$$\checkmark V(s) = \frac{4}{s(s+4)} + \frac{9}{s+4} = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{8}{s+4} \Rightarrow v(t) = (1 + 8e^{-4t})u(t)$$



Laplace Transform: Properties

- Frequency shift

$$\vee \mathcal{L}\{e^{at}f(t)\} = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} e^{at}f(t)e^{-st}dt = F(s-a)$$

$$\vee \mathcal{L}\{e^{j\omega t}u(t)\} = \frac{1}{s-j\omega}, \mathcal{L}\{\cos \omega t u(t)\} = \frac{s}{s^2+\omega^2} \text{ and } \mathcal{L}\{\sin \omega t u(t)\} = \frac{\omega}{s^2+\omega^2}$$

- Time shift

$$\vee \mathcal{L}\{f(t-t_0)u(t-t_0)\} = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} f(t-t_0)e^{-st}dt = e^{-st_0}F(s) \quad (t_0 \geq 0)$$

$$\vee \mathcal{L}\{u(t-a)\} = \frac{e^{-as}}{s}$$

- Frequency derivative

$$\vee \mathcal{L}\{tf(t)\} = -\frac{d}{ds}F(s)$$

$$+ \frac{d}{ds}\left(\int_{0^-}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st}dt\right) = -\int_{0^-}^{\infty} tf(t)e^{-st}dt$$

$$\vee \mathcal{L}\{te^{-at}u(t)\} = -\frac{d}{ds}\left(\frac{1}{s+a}\right) = \frac{1}{(s+a)^2}$$

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Laplace Transform: Mesh Analysis

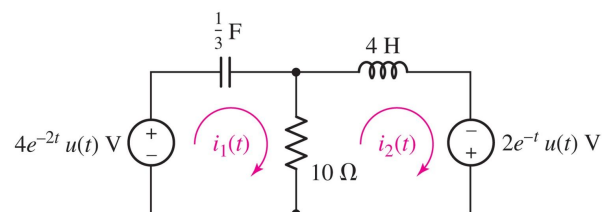
- Example 14.13 Find mesh currents (zero initial conditions)

$$\vee 3 \int_{-\infty}^t i_1(\tau)d\tau + 10(i_1 - i_2) = 4e^{-2t}u(t) \text{ and } 10(i_2 - i_1) + 4\frac{di_2}{dt} = 2e^{-t}u(t)$$

$$\vee \frac{3}{s}I_1(s) + 10(I_1(s) - I_2(s)) = \frac{4}{s+2} \text{ and } 10(I_2(s) - I_1(s)) + 4(sI_2(s) - i_2(0^-)) = \frac{2}{s+1}$$

$$\vee \left(\frac{3}{s} + 10\right)I_1(s) - 10I_2(s) = \frac{4}{s+2} \text{ and } -10I_1(s) + (4s+10)I_2(s) = \frac{2}{s+1}$$

$$\vee I_1(s) = \frac{2s(4s^2+19s+20)}{20s^4+66s^3+73s^2+57s+30} \text{ and } I_1(s) = \frac{30s^2+43s+6}{(s+2)(20s^3+26s^2+21s+15)}$$



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Transfer Function

- $H(s) = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}$... Ratio of **output** to **input**.

$$\vee \frac{v_{in} - v_{out}}{R} = C \frac{dv_{out}}{dt}$$

$$\vee (RCs + 1)V_{out}(s) = V_{in}(s)$$

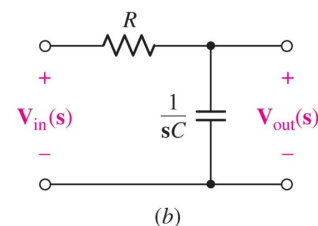
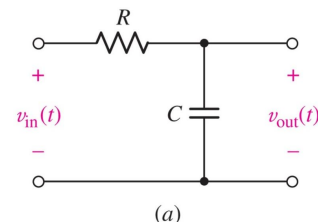
† Assuming zero initial condition

$$\vee H(s) = \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{1}{1 + sRC}$$

† Once we know the transfer function of a circuit, we can easily find the output for any other input.

† Transfer function itself provides a valuable information on the circuit.

† Pole at $s = -\frac{1}{RC}$



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Plot of $F(s)$: s-plane

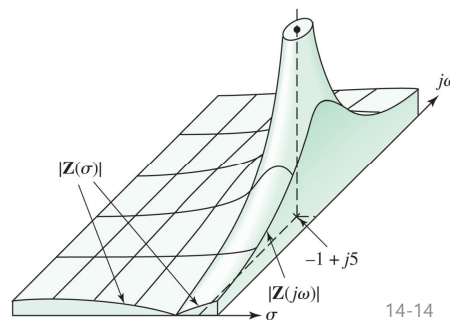
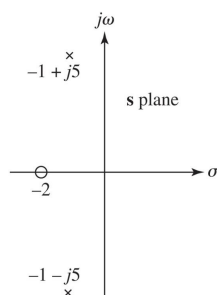
- $F(s)$ is a complex-valued function of complex variable.

∨ Plot of $|F(s)|$ in s-plane reveals properties of $F(s)$.

- **Pole-zero constellations**

$$\vee Z(s) = \frac{s+2}{s^2+2s+16} = \frac{s+2}{(s+1)^2+5^2}$$

† Poles at $s_{1,2} = -1 \pm j5$ and zero at $s = -2$



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Convolution

- Impulse response

- ✓ $h(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{H(s)\}$, where $H(s)$... transfer (system) function of circuit

- ✓ For an input $x(t)$, corresponding output $y(t)$ is given by

- † $Y(s) = H(s)X(s)$

- † $y(t) = h(t) * x(t) = \int_{\tau=-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)x(t-\tau)d\tau$... convolution

Independent variable in the integrand is τ .

- Convolution

- ✓ $x(t-\tau) = x(-(\tau-t))$... folding followed by shift- t

- ✓ For a fixed time, t

- † Fold & shift (by t) to get $x(t-\tau)$

- † Multiple to $h(\tau)$, and then integrate.

Convolution: Graphical Approach

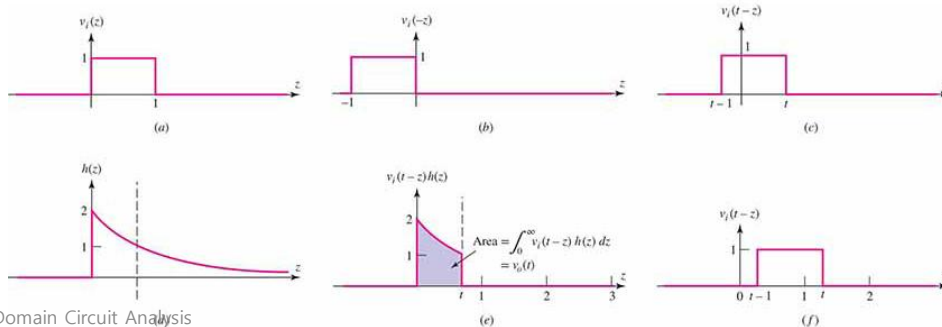
- Input, $x(t) = u(t) - u(t-1)$ and impulse response, $h(t) = 2e^{-t}u(t)$.

- ✓ Support interval of $x(\tau)$... $(0, 1)$

- † $x(t-\tau) \neq 0$, for $0 < t-\tau < 1$ or $t-1 < \tau < t$

- ✓ Support interval of $h(\tau)$... $(0, \infty)$

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Convolution

- **Example 14.18** $x(t) = u(t)$ and $h(t) = u(t) - 2u(t - 1) + u(t - 2)$

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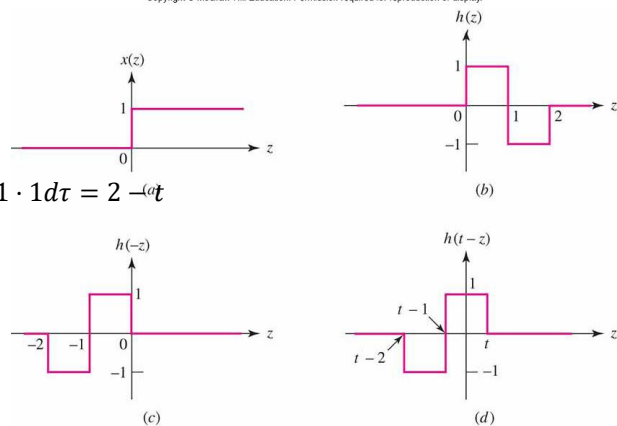
$$\vee y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau$$

$$\vee t < 0, y(t) = 0$$

$$\vee 0 < t < 1, y(t) = \int_0^t 1 \cdot 1 d\tau = t$$

$$\vee 1 < t < 2, y(t) = \int_0^{t-1} 1 \cdot (-1)d\tau + \int_{t-1}^t 1 \cdot 1 d\tau = 2 - t$$

$$\vee t > 2, y(t) = 0$$



Convolution in s-domain

- Given $y(t) = h(t) * x(t)$

$$\vee \mathcal{L}\{h(t) * x(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)x(t - \tau)d\tau\right\} = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)x(t - \tau)d\tau\right)e^{-st}dt$$

† Assume $h(t) = x(t) = 0$, for $t < 0$

$$\vee \mathcal{L}\{h(t) * x(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} h(\tau) \left(\int_0^{\infty} x(t - \tau)e^{-s(t - \tau)}dt\right)e^{-s\tau}d\tau = H(s)X(s)$$

- **Example 14.19** $V(s) = \frac{1}{(s + \alpha)(s + \beta)}$

$$\vee \text{Let } V_1(s) = \frac{1}{s + \alpha} \text{ and } V_2(s) = \frac{1}{s + \beta}$$

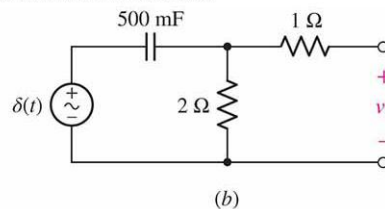
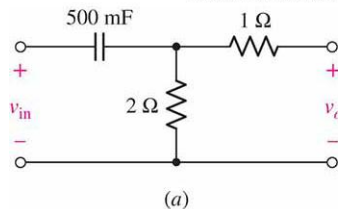
$$\vee v_1(t) = e^{-\alpha t}u(t) \text{ and } v_2(t) = e^{-\beta t}u(t)$$

$$\vee v(t) = v_1(t) * v_2(t) = \int_0^t e^{-\alpha\tau} \cdot e^{-\beta(t - \tau)}d\tau = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}(e^{-\alpha t} - e^{-\beta t})u(t)$$

Impulse Response & Transfer Function

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• $h(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)}$



• Example 14.20 $v_{in}(t) = 6e^{-t}u(t)[V]$

$$\vee C \frac{d}{dt}(v_{in}(t) - v_o(t)) = \frac{1}{R_2} v_o(t) \Rightarrow Cs(V_{in}(s) - V_o(s)) = \frac{1}{R_2} V_o(s)$$

$$\vee \left(1 + \frac{1}{R_2 Cs}\right) V_o(s) = V_{in}(s) \text{ or } V_o(s) = \frac{R_2 Cs}{1 + R_2 Cs} V_{in}(s) = \frac{s}{s+1} V_{in}(s)$$

$$\vee \text{ When } v_{in}(t) = \delta(t) \text{ or } V_{in}(s) = 1, H(s) = \frac{V_o(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{s}{s+1} \text{ and } h(t) = \delta(t) - e^{-t}u(t)$$

$$\vee V_o(s) = H(s)V_{in}(s) = \frac{s}{s+1} \cdot \frac{6}{s+1} = -\frac{6}{(s+1)^2} + \frac{6}{s+1} \Rightarrow v_o(t) = 6(1-t)e^{-t}u(t)$$