

# 1.10. Table of Laplace transform theorems

No	Operation	$F(t)$	$\mathcal{L}\{F(t)\} = f(s)$
1.	Linearity property	$a_1 F_1(t) + a_2 F_2(t)$	$a_1 \mathcal{L}\{F_1(t)\} + a_2 \mathcal{L}\{F_2(t)\}$
2.	First translation or Shifting property	$e^{at} F(t)$	$f(s-a)$
3.	Second translation or Shifting property	$G(t) = \begin{cases} F(t-a), & t > a \\ 0, & t < a \end{cases}$	$e^{-as} f(s)$
4.	Change of scale property	$F(at)$	$\frac{1}{a} f\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$
5.	Differentiation theorems	$F'(t)$ $F^{(n)}(t)$	$s f(s) - F(0)$ $s^n f(s) - \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} s^{n-r-1} F^{(r)}(0)$
6.	Multiplication theorems	$t F(t)$ $t^n F(t)$	$-\frac{d}{ds} f(s)$ $(-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n} f(s)$
7.	Division theorem	$\frac{1}{t} F(t)$	$\int_s^\infty f(u) du$
8.	Integral theorem	$\int_0^t F(u) du$	$\frac{1}{s} f(s)$
9.	Initial-value theorem	$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} F(t)$	$= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s \mathcal{L}\{F(t)\}$ $= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s f(s)$
10.	Final-value theorem	$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} F(t)$	$= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \mathcal{L}\{F(t)\}$ $= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s f(s)$
11.	Fundamental theorem for periodic function	$\mathcal{L}\{F(t)\} = \frac{\int_0^T e^{-st} F(t) dt}{1 - e^{-sT}}$ $F(t)$ is a periodic function of period $T$	

functions.

No	F (t)	$\mathcal{L}\{F(t)\} = f(s)$
1.	1	$\frac{1}{s} \quad s > 0$
2.	t	$\frac{1}{s^2} \quad s > 0$
3.	$t^n$ $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}} \quad s > 0$ where $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ and $0! = 1$ .
4.	$e^{at}$	$\frac{1}{s-a} \quad s > a$
5.	$\sin at$	$\frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \quad s > 0$
6.	$\cos at$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2} \quad s > 0$
7.	$\sinh at$	$\frac{a}{s^2 - a^2} \quad s >  a $
8.	$\cosh at$	$\frac{s}{s^2 - a^2} \quad s >  a $
9.	$t \sin at$	$\frac{2as}{(s^2 + a^2)^2} \quad s > 0$
10.	$t \cos at$	$\frac{s^2 - a^2}{(s^2 + a^2)^2} \quad s > 0$
11.	$t^n e^{at} \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$	$\frac{n!}{(s-a)^{n+1}} \quad s > a$
12.	$e^{at} \sin bt$	$\frac{b}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$
13.	$e^{at} \cos bt$	$\frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$
14.	$e^{at} \sinh bt$	$\frac{b}{(s-a)^2 - b^2}$
15.	$e^{at} \cosh bt$	$\frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 - b^2}$

	and $\underline{0} = 1$ .
$e^{at}$	$\frac{1}{s-a} \quad s > a$
$\sin at$	$\frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \quad s > 0$
$\cos at$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2} \quad s > 0$
$\sin h at$	$\frac{a}{s^2 - a^2} \quad s >  a $
$\cos h at$	$\frac{s}{s^2 - a^2} \quad s >  a $
$t \sin at$	$\frac{2as}{(s^2 + a^2)^2} \quad s > 0$
$t \cos at$	$\frac{s^2 - a^2}{(s^2 + a^2)^2} \quad s > 0$
$t^n e^{at} \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$	$\frac{n!}{(s-a)^{n+1}} \quad s > a$
$e^{at} \sin bt$	$\frac{b}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$
$e^{at} \cos bt$	$\frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$
$e^{at} \sinh bt$	$\frac{b}{(s-a)^2 - b^2}$
$e^{at} \cosh bt$	$\frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 - b^2}$

No	$F(t)$	$\mathcal{L}\{F(t)\} = f(s)$
1.	$J_0(at)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{s^2 + a^2}}$
2.	$J_n(at)$	$\frac{(\sqrt{s^2 + a^2} - s)^n}{a^n \sqrt{s^2 + a^2}}$
3.	$\sin\sqrt{t}$	$\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2s^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{4s}}$
4.	$\frac{\cos\sqrt{t}}{\sqrt{t}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{s}} e^{-\frac{1}{4s}}$
5.	$\operatorname{erf}(\sqrt{t})$	$\frac{1}{s\sqrt{s+1}}$
6.	$\operatorname{erf}(t)$	$\frac{e^{s^2/4}}{s} \operatorname{erfc}(s/2)$
7.	$\operatorname{Si}(t)$	$\frac{1}{s} \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{s}$
8.	$\operatorname{Ci}(t)$	$\frac{\log(s^2 + 1)}{2s}$
9.	$\operatorname{Ei}(t)$	$\frac{\log(s+1)}{s}$
10.	$U(t-a)$	$\frac{e^{-as}}{s}$

## 2.3 Some important properties of the inverse Laplace transform

### Linearity property c.s.k

**Theorem 1.** If  $\mathcal{L}\{F_1(t)\} = f_1(s)$  and  $\mathcal{L}\{F_2(t)\} = f_2(s)$  and  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are any two constants, then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{c_1 f_1(s) + c_2 f_2(s)\} &= c_1 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f_1(s)\} + c_2 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f_2(s)\} \\ &= c_1 F_1(t) + c_2 F_2(t).\end{aligned}$$

**Proof :** Given  $\mathcal{L}\{F_1(t)\} = f_1(s)$  and  $\mathcal{L}\{F_2(t)\} = f_2(s)$ .

$\therefore$  by the definition of inverse Laplace transform, we have

$$F_1(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f_1(s)\} \text{ and } F_2(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f_2(s)\}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now } \mathcal{L}\{c_1 F_1(t) + c_2 F_2(t)\} &= c_1 \mathcal{L}\{F_1(t)\} + c_2 \mathcal{L}\{F_2(t)\} \\ &= c_1 f_1(s) + c_2 f_2(s).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{c_1 f_1(s) + c_2 f_2(s)\} &= c_1 F_1(t) + c_2 F_2(t) \\ &= c_1 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f_1(s)\} + c_2 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f_2(s)\}\end{aligned}$$

This result can be easily generalised.

The above theorem is illustrated by the following examples :

$$\begin{aligned}&\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2}{s-a} + \frac{3}{s^2} + \frac{4a}{s^2+a^2} + \frac{5s}{s^2-a^2}\right\} \\ &= 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-a}\right\} + 3\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2}\right\} + 4\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{a}{s^2+a^2}\right\} \\ &\quad + 5\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2-a^2}\right\}\end{aligned}$$

$$= 2e^{at} + 3t + 4 \sin at + 5 \cosh at.$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{5}{(s-2)^2} + 2\tan^{-1}\frac{1}{s} + \frac{s+2}{s^2+2s+13}\right\}$$

$$= 5\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(s-2)^2}\right\} + 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\tan^{-1}\frac{1}{s}\right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2+3^2}\right\}$$

$$= 5t e^{2t} + \frac{2\sin t}{t} + e^{-2t} \cos 3t.$$



$$= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{3s}{(3s)^2 + 2^2} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cos \frac{2t}{3}.$$

## ✓ 5. Inverse Laplace transform of derivatives

**Theorem 5.** If  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f(s)\} = F(t)$  then

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f^{(n)}(s)\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{d^n}{ds^n} f(s) \right\} = (-1)^n t^n F(t).$$

where  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

**Proof :** From Laplace transform we have

if  $\mathcal{L}\{F(t)\} = f(s)$ , then  $\mathcal{L}\{t^n F(t)\} = (-1)^n f^{(n)}(s)$

where  $f^{(n)}(s) = \frac{d^n}{ds^n} f(s)$ .

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

$$\text{Or, } (-1)^n \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f^{(n)}(s)\} = t^n F(t).$$

$$\text{Or, } \{(-1)^n\}^2 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f^{(n)}(s)\} = (-1) t^n F(t)$$

$$\text{Or, } (-1)^{2n} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f^{(n)}(s)\} = (-1)^n t^n F(t)$$

$$\text{Or, } \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f^{(n)}(s)\} = (-1)^n t^n F(t) \text{ since } (-1)^{2n} = 1.$$

The above theorem is illustrated by the following examples :

$$\text{Since } \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} \right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2 + 2^2} \right\} = \cos 2t.$$

$$\text{and } \frac{d}{ds} \left( \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} \right) = \frac{(s^2 + 4) - 2s^2}{(s^2 + 4)^2} = \frac{4 - s^2}{(s^2 + 4)^2}$$

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

### 6. Inverse Laplace transform of integrals

**Theorem 6.** If  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{f(s)\} = F(t)$ , Then

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\int_s^\infty f(u) du\right\} = \frac{F(t)}{t}$$

**Proof :** From Laplace transform, we have

$$\text{if } \mathcal{L}\{F(t)\} = f(s), \text{ then } \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{F(t)}{t}\right\} = \int_s^\infty f(u) du$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\int_s^\infty f(u) du\right\} = \frac{F(t)}{t}.$$

The above theorem is illustrated by the following example :

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

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\int_s^\infty \left(\frac{1}{u^2} - \frac{1}{u^2+1}\right) du\right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\left[-\frac{1}{u} - \tan^{-1}\frac{1}{u}\right]_s^\infty\right\}$$

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

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