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Problem 1.

1. Write the each expression in the form of $(s - a)^2 + \omega^2$.

(a) $s^2 + 2s + 10 = (s + 1)^2 + 3^2$.

(b) $s^2 - 4s + 5 = (s - 2)^2 + 1^2$.

(c) $s^2 + s + 1 = \left(s + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2$.

(d) $s^2 + 6s + 10 = (s + 3)^2 + 1^2$

2. Using the result in (1), compute the inverse Laplace transform of the given function.

(a) $\frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 10}$.

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 10}\right] &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{(s + 1)^2 + 3^2}\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{3}{(s + 1)^2 + 3^2}\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3}e^{-t}\sin(3t)\end{aligned}$$

(b) $\frac{s}{s^2 - 4s + 5}$.

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{s}{s^2-4s+5}\right] &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{s}{(s-2)^2+1^2}\right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{s-2}{(s-2)^2+1^2}\right] + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{2}{(s-2)^2+1^2}\right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{s-2}{(s-2)^2+1^2}\right] + 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{(s-2)^2+1^2}\right] \\ &= e^{2t}\cos(t) + 2e^{2t}\sin(t)\end{aligned}$$

(c) $\frac{2s+3}{s^2+s+1}$.
Solution.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{2s+3}{s^2+s+1}\right] &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{2s+3}{(s+1/2)^2+(\sqrt{3}/2)^2}\right] \\ &= 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{s+1/2}{(s+1/2)^2+(\sqrt{3}/2)^2}\right] \\ &\quad + \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{\sqrt{3}/2}{(s+1/2)^2+(\sqrt{3}/2)^2}\right] \\ &= 2e^{-t/2}\cos(\sqrt{3}t/2) + \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}e^{-t/2}\sin(\sqrt{3}t/2)\end{aligned}$$

(d) $\frac{s+1}{s^2+6s+10}$.
Solution.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{s+1}{s^2+6s+10}\right] &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{s+1}{(s+3)^2+1^2}\right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{s+3}{(s+3)^2+1^2}\right] - 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{(s+3)^2+1^2}\right] \\ &= e^{-3t}\cos(t) - 2e^{-3t}\sin(t)\end{aligned}$$

Problem 2. Solve the initial value problems (IVPs):

1. $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} - y = e^{2t}$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = -1$.

Solution.

• **Laplace Transform:**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\left[\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} - y\right] &= \mathcal{L}[e^{2t}] \\ (s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - sy(0) - y'(0)) - \mathcal{L}[y] &= \mathcal{L}[e^{2t}] \\ (s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - s + 1) - \mathcal{L}[y] &= \frac{1}{s-2} \\ \mathcal{L}[y] &= \frac{s-1}{s^2-1} + \frac{1}{(s-2)s^2-1} \\ \mathcal{L}[y] &= \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{e^{2s}}{(s-2)(s-1)(s+1)}\end{aligned}$$

• **Partial Fraction Decomposition:** (Exercise)

$$\frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{1}{(s-2)(s-1)(s+1)} = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{7}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{s-2}$$

• **Inverse Laplace Transform:**

$$\begin{aligned}y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{7}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{s-2}\right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{s-1}\right] + \frac{7}{6} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{s+1}\right] + \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{s-2}\right] \\ y(t) &= -\frac{1}{2}e^t + \frac{7}{6}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{2t}\end{aligned}$$

2. $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dt} + 5y = 2e^t$, $y(0) = 3$, $y'(0) = 1$.

Solution.

• **Laplace Transform:**

$$\mathcal{L} \left[\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dt} + 5y \right] = \mathcal{L} [2e^t]$$

$$(s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - sy(0) - y'(0)) - 2(s \mathcal{L}[y] - y(0)) + 5 \mathcal{L}[y] = \frac{2}{s-1}$$

$$(s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - 3s - 1) - 2(s \mathcal{L}[y] - 3) + 5 \mathcal{L}[y] = \frac{2}{s-1}$$

$$(s^2 - 2s + 5) \mathcal{L}[y] = 3s - 5 + \frac{2}{s-1}$$

Hence,

$$\mathcal{L}[y] = \frac{3s-5}{s^2-2s+5} + \frac{2}{(s-1)(s^2-2s+5)} = \frac{3s^2-8s+7}{(s-1)(s^2-2s+5)}$$

• **Partial Fraction Decomposition:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3s^2-8s+7}{(s-1)(s^2-2s+5)} &= \frac{A}{s-1} + \frac{Bs+C}{s^2-2s+5} \\ &= \frac{(A+B)s^2 + (-2A-B+C)s + (5A-C)}{(s-1)(s^2-2s+5)} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} A+B &= 3 \\ -2A-B+C &= -8 \\ 5A-C &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

Solving the equations, $A = 1/2$, $B = 5/2$, $C = -9/2$. Therefore,

$$\frac{3s^2-8s+7}{(s-1)(s^2-2s+5)} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{5s-9}{s^2-2s+5}$$

• **Inverse Laplace Transform:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{3s^2 - 8s + 7}{(s-1)(s^2 - 2s + 5)} \right] \\
 &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{5s-9}{s^2 - 2s + 5} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{s-1} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{5s-9}{s^2 - 2s + 5} \right] \\
 y(t) &= \frac{1}{2}e^t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{5s-9}{s^2 - 2s + 5} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

– Compute $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{5s-9}{s^2 - 2s + 5} \right]$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{5s-9}{s^2 - 2s + 5} \right] &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{5s-9}{(s-1)^2 + 2^2} \right] \\
 &= 5\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s-1}{(s-1)^2 + 2^2} \right] - 2\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{2}{(s-1)^2 + 2^2} \right] \\
 &= 5e^t \cos(2t) - 2e^t \sin(2t)
 \end{aligned}$$

– The solution is

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{2}e^t + \frac{5}{2}e^t \cos(2t) - e^t \sin(2t)$$

3. $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 6\frac{dy}{dt} + 13y = 13u_4(t)$, $y(0) = 3$, $y'(0) = 1$.

Solution.

• **Laplace Transform:**

$$\mathcal{L} \left[\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 6\frac{dy}{dt} + 13y \right] = \mathcal{L} [13u_4(t)]$$

$$(s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - sy(0) - y'(0)) + 6(s\mathcal{L}[y] - y(0)) + 13\mathcal{L}[y] = 13 \frac{e^{4s}}{s}$$

$$(s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - 3s - 1) + 6(s\mathcal{L}[y] - 3) + 13\mathcal{L}[y] = 13 \frac{e^{4s}}{s}$$

$$(s^2 + 6s + 13)\mathcal{L}[y] = 3s + 19 + 13 \frac{e^{4s}}{s}$$

Hence,

$$\mathcal{L}[y] = \frac{3s + 19}{s^2 + 6s + 13} + \frac{13e^{4s}}{s(s^2 + 6s + 13)}$$

• **Partial Fraction Decomposition:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{13}{s(s^2 + 6s + 13)} &= \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs + C}{s^2 + 6s + 13} \\ &= \frac{(A + B)s^2 + (6A + C)s + 13A}{s(s^2 + 6s + 13)} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} A + B &= 0 \\ 6A + C &= 0 \\ 13A &= 13 \end{aligned}$$

Solving the equations, $A = 1$, $B = -1$, $C = -6$. Therefore,

$$\frac{13}{s(s^2 + 6s + 13)} = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 6s + 13}$$

• **Inverse Laplace Transform:**

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{3s + 19}{s^2 + 6s + 13} + \frac{13e^{4s}}{s(s^2 + 6s + 13)} \right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{3s + 19}{s^2 + 6s + 13} + e^{4s} \cdot \frac{1}{s} - e^{4s} \cdot \frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 6s + 13} \right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{3s + 19}{s^2 + 6s + 13} \right] + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{4s} \cdot \frac{1}{s} \right] - \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{4s} \cdot \frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 6s + 13} \right] \\ &\quad - \text{Compute } \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{4s} \cdot \frac{1}{s} \right] = u_4(t). \\ &\quad - \text{Compute } \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{3s + 19}{s^2 + 6s + 13} \right]: \\ &\quad \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{3s + 19}{s^2 + 6s + 13} \right] = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{3s + 19}{(s + 3)^2 + 2^2} \right] \\ &\quad = 3\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s + 3}{(s + 3)^2 + 2^2} \right] + 5\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{2}{(s + 3)^2 + 2^2} \right] \\ &\quad = 3e^{-3t} \cos(2t) + 5e^{-3t} \sin(2t) \end{aligned}$$

– Compute $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{3s + 19}{s^2 + 6s + 13} \right]$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{4s} \cdot \frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 6s + 13} \right] &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{4s} \cdot \frac{s + 6}{(s + 3)^2 + 2^2} \right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{4s} \cdot \frac{s + 3}{(s + 3)^2 + 2^2} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{4s} \cdot \frac{2}{(s + 3)^2 + 2^2} \right] \\ &= u_4(t) e^{-3(t-4)} \cos(2(t-4)) \\ &\quad + \frac{3}{2} u_4(t) e^{-3(t-4)} \sin(2(t-4)) \end{aligned}$$

– The solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= 3e^{-3t} \cos(2t) + 5e^{-3t} \sin(2t) + u_4(t) \\ &\quad - u_4(t) e^{-3(t-4)} \cos(2(t-4)) - \frac{3}{2} u_4(t) e^{-3(t-4)} \sin(2(t-4)) \end{aligned}$$

4. $\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 4 \frac{dy}{dt} + 9y = 20u_2(t) \sin(t-2)$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 2$.

Solution.

• **Laplace Transform:**

$$\mathcal{L} \left[\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 4 \frac{dy}{dt} + 9y \right] = \mathcal{L} [20u_2(t) \sin(t-2)]$$

$$(s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - sy(0) - y'(0)) + 4(s \mathcal{L}[y] - y(0)) + 9 \mathcal{L}[y] = 20e^{-2s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 1}$$

$$(s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - s - 2) + 4(s \mathcal{L}[y] - 1) + 9 \mathcal{L}[y] = 20e^{-2s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 1}$$

$$(s^2 + 4s + 9) \mathcal{L}[y] = s + 6 + 20e^{-2s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 1}$$

Hence,

$$\mathcal{L}[y] = \frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 4s + 9} + e^{-2s} \frac{20}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4s + 9)}$$

• **Partial Fraction Decomposition:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{20}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4s + 9)} &= \frac{A + Bs}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{C +Ds}{s^2 + 4s + 9} \\ &= \frac{(B + D)s^3 + (A + 4B + C)s^2 + (4A + 9B + D)s + (9A + C)}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4s + 9)} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} B + D &= 0 \\ A + 4B + C &= 0 \\ 4A + 9B + D &= 0 \\ 9A + C &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

Solving the equations, $A = 2$, $B = -1$, $C = 2$, $D = 1$. Therefore,

$$\frac{20}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4s + 9)} = \frac{2 - s}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{2 + s}{s^2 + 4s + 9}$$

• **Inverse Laplace Transform:**

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 4s + 9} + e^{-2s} \frac{20}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4s + 9)} \right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 4s + 9} + e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s + 2}{s^2 + 4s + 9} - e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s - 2}{s^2 + 1} \right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 4s + 9} \right] + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s + 2}{s^2 + 4s + 9} \right] \\ &\quad - \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s - 2}{s^2 + 1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

– Compute $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 4s + 9} \right]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 4s + 9} \right] &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s + 6}{(s + 2)^2 + (\sqrt{5})^2} \right] \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s + 2}{(s + 2)^2 + (\sqrt{5})^2} \right] + \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{\sqrt{5}}{(s + 2)^2 + (\sqrt{5})^2} \right] \\ &= e^{-2t} \cos(\sqrt{5}t) + \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} e^{-2t} \sin(\sqrt{5}t) \end{aligned}$$

– Compute $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s+2}{s^2+4s+9} \right]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s+2}{s^2+4s+9} \right] &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2 + (\sqrt{5})^2} \right] \\ &= u_2(t) e^{-2(t-2)} \cos(\sqrt{5}(t-2)) \end{aligned}$$

– Compute $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s-2}{s^2+1} \right]$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s-2}{s^2+1} \right] &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{s}{s^2+1} \right] - 2\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-2s} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2+1} \right] \\ &= u_2(t) \cos(t-2) - 2u_2(t) \sin(t-2) \end{aligned}$$

– The solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= e^{-2t} \cos(\sqrt{5}t) + \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} e^{-2t} \sin(\sqrt{5}t) + u_2(t) e^{-2(t-2)} \cos(\sqrt{5}(t-2)) \\ &\quad - u_2(t) \cos(t-2) + 2u_2(t) \sin(t-2) \end{aligned}$$

5. $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dt} + 3y = \delta_4(t)$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 0$.

Solution.

• **Laplace Transform:**

$$\mathcal{L} \left[\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dt} + 3y \right] = \mathcal{L} [\delta_4(t)]$$

$$(s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - sy(0) - y'(0)) + 2(s\mathcal{L}[y] - y(0)) + 3\mathcal{L}[y] = e^{-4s}$$

$$(s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - s) + 2(s\mathcal{L}[y] - 1) + 3\mathcal{L}[y] = e^{-4s}$$

$$(s^2 + 2s + 3)\mathcal{L}[y] = s + 2 + e^{-4s}$$

Hence,

$$\mathcal{L}[y] = \frac{s+2}{s^2+2s+3} + e^{-4s} \frac{1}{s^2+2s+3}$$

• **Inverse Laplace Transform:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s+2}{s^2+2s+3} + e^{-4s} \frac{1}{s^2+2s+3} \right] \\
 &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s+1}{s^2+2s+3} \right] + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-4s} \frac{1}{s^2+2s+3} \right] \\
 &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s+1}{(s+1)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{(s+1)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] \\
 &\quad + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-4s} \frac{1}{(s+1)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] \\
 &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{s+1}{(s+1)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[\frac{\sqrt{2}}{(s+1)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-4s} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(s+1)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] \\
 y(t) &= e^{-t} \cos(\sqrt{2}t) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-t} \sin(\sqrt{2}t) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u_4(t) e^{-(t-4)} \sin(\sqrt{2}(t-4))
 \end{aligned}$$

6. $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 10\frac{dy}{dt} + 27y = \delta_1(t) - 3\delta_4$, $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 0$.

Solution.

• **Laplace Transform:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L} \left[\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 10\frac{dy}{dt} + 27y \right] &= \mathcal{L} [\delta_1(t) - 3\delta_4] \\
 (s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] - sy(0) - y'(0)) + 10(s \mathcal{L}[y] - y(0)) + 27 \mathcal{L}[y] &= e^{-s} - 3e^{-4s} \\
 s^2 \mathcal{L}[y] + 10s \mathcal{L}[y] + 27 \mathcal{L}[y] &= e^{-s} - 3e^{-4s} \\
 (s^2 + 10s + 27) \mathcal{L}[y] &= e^{-s} - 3e^{-4s}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\mathcal{L}[y] = e^{-s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 10s + 27} - 3e^{-4s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 10s + 27}$$

• Inverse Laplace Transform:

$$\begin{aligned}y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 10s + 27} - 3e^{-4s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 10s + 27} \right] \\&= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 10s + 27} \right] - 3\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-4s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 10s + 27} \right] \\&= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-s} \frac{1}{(s+5)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] - 3\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-4s} \frac{1}{(s+5)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] \\&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-s} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(s+5)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] - \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[e^{-4s} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(s+5)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \right] \\y(t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u_1(t) e^{-5(t-1)} \sin(\sqrt{2}(t-1)) - \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} u_4(t) e^{-5(t-4)} \sin(\sqrt{2}(t-4))\end{aligned}$$