

Complex Variable, Laplace & Z- transformation

Lecture 07

This Lecture Covers-

1. Solving Simultaneous Ordinary Differential Equations by Laplace Transform
2. Some examples & exercises on solving simultaneous ODE.

Examples

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = 2x(t) - 3y(t) \\ \frac{dy(t)}{dt} = y(t) - 2x(t) \end{cases} \text{ subject to } x(0) = 8, y(0) = 3.$$

Solution:

Taking the Laplace transforms of both equations

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{dx(t)}{dt}\right\} = 2\mathcal{L}\{x(t)\} - 3\mathcal{L}\{y(t)\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{dy(t)}{dt}\right\} = \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\} - 2\mathcal{L}\{x(t)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow sX(s) - x(0) = 2X(s) - 3Y(s)$$

$$sY(s) - y(0) = Y(s) - 2X(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow (s - 2)X(s) + 3Y(s) = 8$$

$$2X(s) + (s - 1)Y(s) = 3$$

[using initial condition and rearranging]

Now solving this two equations simultaneously using **Cramer's rule** and partial fraction we get,

$$X(s) = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 8 & 3 \\ 3 & s-1 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} s-2 & 3 \\ 2 & s-1 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{8s - 17}{s^2 - 3s - 4}$$

$$= \frac{8s - 17}{(s + 1)(s - 4)} = \frac{5}{s + 1} + \frac{3}{s - 4}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} s-2 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} s-2 & 3 \\ 2 & s-1 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{3s - 22}{s^2 - 3s - 4}$$

$$= \frac{3s - 22}{(s + 1)(s - 4)} = \frac{5}{s + 1} - \frac{2}{s - 4}$$

Now taking inverse Laplace transform we get,

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{X(s)\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{5}{s + 1} + \frac{3}{s - 4}\right\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{5}{s + 1} - \frac{2}{s - 4}\right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = 5e^{-t} + 3e^{4t}$$

$$y(t) = 5e^{-t} - 2e^{4t}$$

Exercises

Solve the following system of differential equations where $x(t) \equiv x$, $y(t) \equiv y$, $\dot{y} \equiv \frac{dy(t)}{dt}$ and $\dot{x} \equiv \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$, using Laplace transformation. Also justify your answers.

1. $\dot{x} = y$
 $\dot{y} = 16x$; $x(0) = 0, y(0) = 4$.

2. $\dot{x} = -4y$
 $\dot{y} = x$; $x(0) = 2, y(0) = 0$.

3. $\dot{x} = 2x + y$
 $\dot{y} = 4x + 2y$; $x(0) = 1, y(0) = 6$.

4. $\dot{x} = 3x + y$
 $\dot{y} = 4x + 3y$; $x(0) = 3, y(0) = 2$.

Learning Outcomes

After completing this lecture one can easily solve differential equation and also system of differential equation using Laplace transformation.

Sample MCQ

For

$$\dot{x} = y$$

$$\dot{y} = 16x; \quad x(0) = 0, y(0) = 4; \text{ answer the following questions: (1-3)}$$

1. Which one is the corresponding system of equations in $X(s)$ and $Y(s)$?

$(a) \begin{cases} sX(s) - Y(s) = 0 \\ 16X(s) + sY(s) = 4 \end{cases}$	$(b) \begin{cases} sX(s) - Y(s) = 0 \\ -16X(s) + sY(s) = 4 \end{cases}$	–	$(c) \begin{cases} sX(s) - Y(s) = 0 \\ 16X(s) - sY(s) = 4 \end{cases}$	–	$(d) \begin{cases} sX(s) - Y(s) = 0 \\ -16X(s) - sY(s) = 4 \end{cases}$
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2. If we solve the system of equations obtained in 1, then which one is correct for $X(s)$?

$(a) X(s) = \frac{2s+4}{s^2+16}$	$(b) X(s) = \frac{2s-4}{s^2-16}$	$(c) X(s) = \frac{2s+4}{s^2-16}$	$(d) X(s) = \frac{s+4}{s^2-16}$
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3. Evaluate $y(t)$ for the given system of differential equations:

$(a) 4 \cosh 4t + 8 \sinh 4t$	$(b) \cosh 4t + 8 \sinh 4t$	$(c) 4 \cosh 4t - 8 \sinh 4t$	$(d) 4 \cosh 4t + 8 \sinh t$
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