

Notes

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lesson 13 laplace transform

sample problem

Get a transform $U(s, t)$ for a solution (last page of lesson 13) and text gives $u(x, t)$ and says “follows from tables”. Turns out it’s not in the texts, tables. Not available in Mathematica either.

We will take a couple of days on approaches to finding inverse laplace transforms. Started talking about this on the 28th.

elementary inversion based

Find laplace transforms for t^p and $t^n e^{at} \begin{cases} \cos(bt) \\ \sin(bt) \end{cases}$ that occur in circuit analysis

the general answer is

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} e^{st} F(s) ds$$

this is the general inversion formula for laplace transforms. Requires essential use of complex analysis. the typical result is an infinite series or an integral representation for $f(t)$

approach 1

expand $F(s)$ in reciprocal powers and invert termwise. $\frac{F(s)}{s^{p+1}} \rightarrow t^p$

example

$$F(s) = (s^2 + 1)^{-1/2} \text{ in text table}$$

Find $f(t)$

$$\text{Found } f(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-t^2/4)^n}{(n!)^2}$$

approach 1 give series for $f(t)$.

note this happens to be $J_0(t)$

approach 2

using $F(s)$, try to find an equation (typically differential equation) for $f(t)$.

example

$$\begin{aligned}
F(s) &= (s^2 + 1)^{-1/2} &= \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \\
F'(s) &= -\frac{1}{2}(s^2 + 1)^{-3/2}(2s) &= \mathcal{L}\{-t \cdot f(t)\} \\
&= -\frac{1}{s^2 + 1}(s^2 + 1)^{-1/2} \\
&= -\frac{s}{s^2 + 1}F(s) \\
(s^2 + 1)F'(s) + sF(s) &= 0 \\
sF(s) - f(0) &= \mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\} \\
F'(s) &= \mathcal{L}\{-t \cdot f(t)\} \\
s^2F'(s) - s(-t \cdot f(t))_{t=0} - \left(\frac{d}{dt}(-t \cdot f(t))\right) &= \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2}{dt^2}(-t \cdot f(t))\right\} \\
s^2G(s) - sg(0) - g'(0) &= \mathcal{L}\{g''(t)\} \\
\mathcal{L}\{f'(t) - tf(t) - \frac{d^2}{dt^2}(-tf(t))\} \\
+f(0)\underbrace{-s(tf(t))_{t=0}}_{=0} - \frac{d}{dt}(tf(t))_{t=0} - (f(t) + tf'(t))_{t=0} &= 0 \\
-tf'(t) \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

we assume $f(0)$ exists, and that $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} tf'(t) = 0$. *AFTER* solving for $f(t)$ we can check that these conditions hold.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}\{f'(t) - tf(t) - \frac{d^2}{dt^2}(tf(t)) - (tf''(t) + 2f'(t))\} &= 0 \\
tf''(t) + f'(t) + tf(t) &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

bessel de

$$\begin{aligned}
z^2 \frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} + z \frac{dw}{dz} + (z^2 + \mu^2)w &= 0 \\
\mu &= \text{order} \\
J_\mu(z) &\text{ Bessel function of first kind (order } \mu) \\
Y_\mu(z) &\text{ Bessel function of second kind (order } \mu)
\end{aligned}$$

note dlmf.nist.gov is reference for standard functions.