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## Laplace Transform (LT)

Definition:  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$

Existence of LT:

Theorem 1: If (1)  $f$  is piecewise cont's on  $[0, b]$  for any positive  $b$ .

$$(2) |f(t)| \leq K e^{\alpha t} \quad t \geq M$$

$\leftarrow$

$f$  is of exponential order      for some  $\alpha$  real  
 $K, M > 0$  .

Then  $\mathcal{L}\{f\} = F(s)$  exists when  $s > \alpha$ .

LT of basic functions :

$$\mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{1}{s} \quad s > 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\} = \frac{1}{s-a} \quad s > a$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos(at)\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + a^2} \quad s > 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sin(at)\} = \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \quad s > 0$$

Using LT to solve an initial value problem.

Suppose we want to solve

$$ay'' + by' + cy = f(t) \quad (*)$$

with  $y(0)$  and  $y'(0)$  given.

We need:

→ LT of derivatives of  $y$ :

Assume  $y$  satisfies conditions of the Theorem 1:

We'd like to find  $\mathcal{L}\{y'\}$  and  $\mathcal{L}\{y''\}$ :

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'\} = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} y'(t) dt = ye^{-st} \Big|_0^\infty + s \int_0^\infty e^{-st} y dt$$

$\begin{aligned} e^{-st} &= u & y' dt &= du \\ -se^{-st} dt &= du & y &= v \end{aligned}$

$y$  is such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} ye^{-st} = 0$

$$= -y(0) + s \mathcal{L}\{y\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\mathcal{L}\{y'\} = s Y(s) - y(0)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{y''\} &= \mathcal{L}\{(y')'\} = s \mathcal{L}\{y'\} - y'(0) \\ &= s(s \mathcal{L}\{y\} - y(0)) - y'(0) \end{aligned}$$

$$= s^2 \mathcal{L}\{y\} - sy(0) - y'(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\mathcal{L}\{y''\} = s^2 Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)}$$

In general :

$$\mathcal{L}\{y^{(n)}\} = s^n Y(s) - s^{n-1} y(0) - s^{n-2} y'(0) - \dots$$

$$- s^{n-2} y^{(n-2)}(0) - s^{n-1} y^{(n-1)}(0)$$

Apply LT to both sides of equation (\*) :

$$\begin{aligned} a \mathcal{L}\{y''\} + b \mathcal{L}\{y'\} + c \mathcal{L}\{y\} &= \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \\ \underbrace{as^2 Y(s) - asy(0) - ay'(0)}_{\text{Homogeneous part}} + \underbrace{bs Y(s) - by(0) + c Y(s)}_{\text{Non-homogeneous part}} &= F(s) \end{aligned}$$

$$Y(s) (as^2 + bs + c) = asy(0) + ay'(0) + by(0) + F(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{(as+b)y(0) + ay'(0) + F(s)}{as^2 + bs + c}$$

- (1) initial conditions are already included.
- (2) algebraic equation, no longer a differential eqt.
- (3) non-homogeneous term is already included  $\Rightarrow$  no need to worry about  $y_p$ .
- (4) works for higher order ODEs.

The difficulty with LT in an ODE is that we need to find a function  $y(t)$  whose LT is  $Y(s)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  We need to use inverse of LT.

One can show that the mapping

$$f(t) \longleftrightarrow L\{f(t)\}$$

is one-to-one (on a set of appropriate functions)  
so we can invert this map:

$$\begin{aligned} L\{y\} = Y(s) &\xrightarrow{L^{-1}} L^{-1}\{Y(s)\} \\ &= L^{-1}\{L\{y(t)\}\} \\ &= y(t) \end{aligned}$$

Example. Solve IVP

$$y'' + y = \sin(2t) \quad \text{using LT.}$$

$$y(0) = 2, \quad y'(0) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} L\{y''\} + L\{y\} &= L\{\sin(2t)\} \\ \underbrace{s^2 Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)}_0 + Y(s) &= \frac{2}{s^2 + 4} \end{aligned}$$

$$(s^2 + 1) Y(s) = 2s + 1 + \frac{2}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{2s+1}{s^2+1} + \frac{2}{(s^2+1)(s^2+4)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2s+1}{s^2+1} &= 2 \frac{s}{s^2+1} + \frac{1}{s^2+1} \\ &\quad \left. \right) \mathcal{L}^{-1} \\ &= 2 \cos t + \sin t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{(s^2+1)(s^2+4)} &= \frac{As+B}{s^2+1} + \frac{Cs+D}{s^2+4} \\ &= \frac{As^3 + 4As + Bs^2 + 4B + Cs^3 + Ds^2 + Cs + D}{(s^2+1)(s^2+4)} \end{aligned}$$

$$A+C=0$$

$$B+D=0$$

$$4A+C=0$$

$$4B+D=2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$A=0=C$$

$$B=\frac{2}{3}, \quad D=-\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{s^2+4}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{s^2+1} - \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{s^2+4}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \sin t - \frac{1}{3} \sin(2t)$$

Collect all terms:

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = 2\cos(t) + \frac{5}{3} \sin(t) - \frac{1}{3} \sin(2t) \checkmark$$

Given  $f(t)$ :

$$\mathcal{L} \{ e^{at} f(t) \} = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} e^{at} f(t) dt$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-(s-a)t} f(t) dt$$

$$= F(s-a)$$

Ex.  $\mathcal{L} \{ e^{2t} \sin t \} = \frac{1}{(s-2)^2 + 1}$

$\downarrow$   
 $F(s-2)$        $F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1}$

Ex.  $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s-1}{(s+2)^2 + 9} \right\} =$

$$= \frac{s+2 - 3}{(s+2)^2 + 9} = \frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2 + 9} - \frac{3}{(s+2)^2 + 9}$$

$$= e^{-2t} \cos(3t) - e^{-2t} \frac{3}{s^2 + 9} \sin(3t)$$

Ex: Solve

$$y'' + 4y' + 5y = e^t$$

$$y(0) = 1 \quad , \quad y'(0) = 2$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{s+6}{s^2+4s+5} + \frac{1}{(s-1)(s^2+4s+5)}$$

↘ Complete the square      ↗ partial fraction  
 $s^2 + 4s + 4 + 1$        $\frac{A}{s-1} + \frac{Bs+C}{s^2+4s+5}$   
 $= (s+2)^2 + 1$

$$\underline{\text{Solution}} : \quad \mathcal{L}\{y''\} + 4 \mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 5 \mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{e^t\}$$

$$s^2 Y(s) - s \cancel{y(0)} - \cancel{y'(0)}^2 + 4s Y(s) - 4 \cancel{y(0)} + 5 Y(s) = \frac{1}{s-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (s^2 + 4s + 5) Y(s) = s + 6 + \frac{1}{s-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{s+6}{s^2+4s+5} + \frac{1}{(s-1)(s^2+4s+5)}$$

$$= \frac{s+6}{(s+2)^2+1} + \frac{A}{s-1} + \frac{Bs+C}{s^2+4s+5}$$

• Find A and B :

$$As^2 + 4As + 5A + Bs^2 + Cs - Bs - C = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow A + B = 0 \quad , \quad 4A + C - B = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A = \frac{1}{10} \quad , \quad B = -\frac{1}{10} \quad , \quad C = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$5A - C = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(s-1)(s^2+4s+5)} = \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{s-1} \quad \textcircled{-} \quad \frac{\frac{s}{10} + \frac{1}{2}}{(s+2)^2+1}$$

→ easier if multiply & divide by 10

- $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{10} \cdot \frac{1}{s-1} \right\} = \frac{1}{10} e^t$

- $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{10} \frac{s+5}{(s+2)^2+1} \right\} = \frac{1}{10} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2+1} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{(s+2)^2+1} \right\}$   
 $= \frac{1}{10} e^{-2t} \cos t + \frac{3}{10} e^{-2t} \sin t$

- $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s+6}{(s+2)^2+1} \right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2+1} + \frac{4}{(s+2)^2+1} \right\}$   
 $= e^{-2t} \cos t + 4 e^{-2t} \sin t$

Collect  
all terms

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ Y(s) \} = y(t) = \frac{1}{10} e^t + \frac{9}{10} e^{-2t} \cos t + \frac{37}{10} e^{-2t} \sin 2t$$

Question: What if the given initial condition is NOT at  $t=0$  ?

$y(t_0)$  and  $y'(t_0)$  ?

Practice : (1) Solve

$$y^{(4)} - y = 0$$

$$y(0) = y''(0) = y'''(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 1$$

(2) Find the inverse LT of :

$$(a) \quad F(s) = \frac{2s + 2}{s^2 + 2s + 5}$$

$$(b) \quad F(s) = \frac{2s - 3}{s^2 - 4}$$

$$(c) \quad F(s) = \frac{8s^2 + 4s + 12}{s(s^2 + 4)}$$

$$(d) \quad F(s) = \frac{1 - 2s}{s^2 + 4s + 5}$$