

L29 Inverse Laplace Transform

Note Title

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There is a formula ($Y(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} y(t) dt$)

to compute the Laplace Transform, but there is no comparable formula for the Inverse Laplace Transform. We compute the inverse Laplace transform using the table below. *

<u>General</u>	$\frac{dY}{dt}$	$sY(s) - y(0)$
	$\frac{d^2Y}{dt^2}$	$s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)$
	$e^{at} y(t)$	$Y(s-a)$
	$t y(t)$	$-\frac{d}{ds} Y(s)$
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Specific	e^{at}	$1/(s-a)$
	$\sin \omega t$	$\omega / (s^2 + \omega^2)$
	$\cos \omega t$	$s / (s^2 + \omega^2)$
	t^n	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$

* Actually, there are formulas for the Inverse Laplace Transform, but they are weird, and typically not so useful

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Post's_inversion_formula

<https://www.rose-hulman.edu/~bryan/invlap.pdf>

Table of Laplace Transforms

General

$$\frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$sY(s) - y(0)$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$$

$$s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)$$

$$e^{at} y(t)$$

$$Y(s-a)$$

$$t y(t)$$

$$-\frac{d}{ds} Y(s)$$

$$y(at)$$

$$\frac{1}{a} Y\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$$

Specific

$$e^{at}$$

$$\frac{1}{s-a}$$

$$\sin \omega t$$

$$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$\cos \omega t$$

$$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$t^n$$

$$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$$

$$1$$

$$\frac{1}{s}$$

Examples

Compute $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{y(s)\}$ for each of the following

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{s-4}$$

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

$$Y(s) = \frac{3s+4}{s^2+9}$$

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

$$Y(s) = \frac{3s+4}{s^2+2s+5}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{s^2+2s-8}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{s-4}$$

Table

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This is $\frac{1}{s-a}$
with $a=4$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-4}\right\} = e^{4t}$$

$$y(t) \\ e^{at}$$

$$Y(s) \\ 1/(s-a)$$

Different Ways I could label the table

Standard label

$$y(t)$$

$$Y(s)$$

Alternative 1

$$y(t)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y(t)\}$$

Alternative 2

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\}$$

$$Y(s)$$

typical entry

$$e^{at}$$

$$\frac{1}{s-a}$$

expressed like Alternative 1

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

expressed like Alternative 2

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-a}\right\} = e^{at}$$

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

$\frac{1}{(s-4)^2} = \frac{1}{s^2} \Big|_{s \rightarrow s-4}$
 = $\frac{1}{s^2}$ with s replaced by $(s-4)$

Table	
$y(t)$	$Y(s)$
$e^{at} y(t)$	$Y(s-a)$
t^n	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$

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

Alternatively,

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

This is minus the derivative of $\frac{1}{s-4}$

$$\frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{s-4} = \frac{-1}{(s-4)^2}$$

so

$$\frac{1}{(s-4)^2} = -\frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{s-4}$$

so

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

Table Entries	
$t y(t)$	$-\frac{d}{ds} Y(s)$
$e^{at} y(t)$	$Y(s-a)$

$$Y(s) = \frac{5s + 4}{s^2 + 9}$$

Two table entries

$$\cos 3t \quad \frac{s}{s^2 + 9}$$

$$\sin 3t \quad \frac{3}{s^2 + 9}$$

$$Y(s) = 5 \cdot \frac{s}{s^2 + 9} + \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{s^2 + 9}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y\} = 5 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2 + 9}\right\} + \frac{4}{3} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3}{s^2 + 9}\right\}$$

$$y(t) = 5 \cos 3t + \frac{4}{3} \sin 3t$$

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

What are the roots?

$$s^2 + 2s + 5 = 0$$

$$s^2 + 2s + 1 = -4$$

$$(s+1)^2 = -4$$

$$s = -1 \pm 2i$$

This should be 2, NOT 4

table entries

$$\cos 2t \quad \frac{s}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$\sin 2t \quad \frac{2}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$e^{-t} y(t) \quad Y(s - (-1))$$

Complex Roots - Complete the square

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+1)^2 + 4} = \frac{1}{s^2 + 4} \Big|_{s \rightarrow s+1}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y\} = e^{-t} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2 + 4}\right\}$$

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

$$y(t) = \frac{e^{-t}}{2} \sin 2t$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{3s+4}{s^2+2s+5}$$

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

I want to recognize $Y(s)$ as something with s replaced by $s+1$

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

$$= \frac{3(s+1)+1}{(s+1)^2+4} = \frac{3s+1}{s^2+4} \quad | \quad s \mapsto s+1$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y\} = e^{-t} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3s+1}{s^2+4}\right\}$$

$$= e^{-t} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{3 \frac{s}{s^2+4} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{s^2+4}\right\}$$

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

$$y(t) = 3 e^{-t} \cos 2t + \frac{1}{2} e^{-t} \sin 2t$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 2s - 8}$$

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Roots of Denominator

$$s^2 + 2s + 1 = 9 \implies (s+1)^2 = 9$$

$$s = -1 \pm 3 = 2, -4$$

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

$$\frac{1}{s-2} \text{ and } \frac{1}{s+4}$$

are in the table

Partial Fractions

$$\frac{1}{(s-2)(s+4)} = \frac{A}{s-2} + \frac{B}{s+4}$$

$$1 = A(s+4) + B(s-2)$$

$$\text{Set } s = 2 \quad 1 = A(2+4) \quad A = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\text{Set } s = -4 \quad 1 = B(-4-2) \quad B = -\frac{1}{6}$$

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

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\frac{1}{6}}{s-2} - \frac{\frac{1}{6}}{s+4} \right\} = \frac{1}{6} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s-2} \right\} - \frac{1}{6} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s+4} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} e^{2t} - \frac{1}{6} e^{-4t}$$