

Table of Laplace Transforms

Note Title

General

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

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

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

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

$$Y(s-a)$$

$$t y(t)$$

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

Specific

$$e^{at}$$

$$1/(s-a)$$

$$\sin \omega t$$

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

$$\cos \omega t$$

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

$$t^n$$

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

Inverse Laplace Transform

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 above.

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

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

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$$1$$

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

Inverse Laplace Transform

Examples

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Alternatively

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\} = y(t) \\ \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s-a)\} = e^{at}y(t) \end{array} \right\} \Leftrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Table Entry} \\ e^{at}y(t) \quad Y(s-a) \end{array}$$

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

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

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s+4)\} = 1$$

$$e^{-4t}y(t) = 1$$

$$y(t) = e^{4t}$$

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

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

" $\frac{1}{s^2}$ with s
 s^2 replaced by"
 $(s-4)$ "

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

Alternatively,

$$Y(s+4) = \frac{1}{s^2} \quad \text{This one is in table}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ Y(s+4) \} = t$$

Now use $e^{at} y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ Y(s-a) \}$

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

$$y(t) = t e^{4t}$$

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

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

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

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

Two table entries

$$\cos 3t$$

$$\frac{s}{s^2 + 9}$$

$$\sin 3t$$

$$\frac{3}{s^2 + 9}$$

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

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

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

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

What are the roots?

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

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

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

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

Complex Roots - complete the square

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

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

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

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

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

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

This one is
in the table.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

I want the denominator to be in the table. Not worried about numerator

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

Roots of Denominator

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

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

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

$\frac{1}{s-2}$ and $\frac{1}{s+4}$ are in the table

Partial Fractions

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

Cover up - multiply by $(s-2)$

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

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

Now multiply by $s+4$ and set $s = -4$

$$\text{to find } B = -\frac{1}{6}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{\frac{1}{6}}{s-2} - \frac{\frac{1}{6}}{s+4}\right\} &= \frac{1}{6} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-2}\right\} - \frac{1}{6} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+4}\right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{6} e^{2t} - \frac{1}{6} e^{-4t} \end{aligned}$$

Solve the **IVP** using Laplace Transforms

$$y'' + 2y' + 10y = 0$$

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

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'' + 2y' + 10y\} = \mathcal{L}\{0\} = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} + 2\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 10\mathcal{L}\{y\} = 0$$

$$[s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)] + 2[sY(s) - y(0)] + 10[Y(s)] = 0$$

$$[s^2Y(s) - s \cdot 1 - 2] + 2[sY(s) - 1] + 10[Y(s)] = 0$$

$$[s^2 + 2s + 10]Y(s) - s - 4 = 0$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{s+4}{s^2+2s+10}$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s+4}{s^2+2s+10}\right\}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s+4}{(s+1)^2+9} \right\} \\
 &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s+1}{(s+1)^2+9} \right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{3}{(s+1)^2+9} \right\} \\
 &= e^{-t} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2+9} \right\} + e^{-t} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{3}{s^2+9} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$Y(s-1) = \frac{s-1+4}{s^2+9} = \frac{s}{s^2+9} + \frac{3}{s^2+9}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ Y(s-1) \} = \cos 3t + \sin 3t$$

$$e^t y(t) =$$

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