

## 7.2 Transforms of Initial Value Problems

"old" way to solve  $y'' - 6y' + 8y = 0$   $y(0) = -2$   $y'(0) = 6$

characteristic eq.  $r^2 - 6r + 8 = 0$

$$(r - 4)(r - 2) = 0$$

$$r = 2, r = 4$$

general solution:  $y = C_1 e^{2t} + C_2 e^{4t}$

$$y' = 2C_1 e^{2t} + 4C_2 e^{4t}$$

initial conditions:  $-2 = C_1 + C_2$

$$6 = 2C_1 + 4C_2$$

$$-4 = 2C_1 + 2C_2$$

$$10 = 2C_2 \rightarrow C_2 = 5$$

$$C_1 = -7$$

$$y = -7e^{2t} + 5e^{4t}$$

today: solve using LT

first, given unknown  $y(t)$ , what is  $\mathcal{L}\{y'(t)\} = ?$

assume  $\mathcal{L}\{y(t)\} = Y(s)$  exists

$$\text{then } \mathcal{L}\{y'\} = \int_0^{\infty} y' \cdot e^{-st} dt$$

$$= \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^a y' \cdot e^{-st} dt$$

$$u = e^{-st} \quad dv = y' dt \\ du = -s e^{-st} dt \quad v = y$$

$$= \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \left( y e^{-st} \Big|_0^a + \int_0^a y (s) e^{-st} dt \right)$$

$$= \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \left( y e^{-st} \Big|_0^a \right) + s \int_0^{\infty} y e^{-st} dt$$

$$= \left[ y(a) e^{-sa} - y(0) \right] + s \int_0^{\infty} y e^{-st} dt$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'\} = sY - y(0)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y\} = Y$$

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

now, try it on  $y'' - 6y' + 8y = 0$   $y(0) = -2$ ,  $y'(0) = 6$

LT both sides:  $\mathcal{L}\{y''\} - 6\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 8\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{0\}$   $\rightarrow 0 \cdot 1 = 0 \cdot \mathcal{L}\{1\}$

$(s^2 Y - \underbrace{sy(0)}_{-2} - \underbrace{y'(0)}_6) - 6(sY - \underbrace{y(0)}_{-2}) + 8Y = 0$   $\rightarrow 0 \cdot \frac{1}{s} = 0$

$s^2 Y + 2s - 6 - 6sY - 12 + 8Y = 0$  solve for Y

$(s^2 - 6s + 8)Y = 18 - 2s$

char. eq.

$Y = \frac{18 - 2s}{s^2 - 6s + 8}$

now invert LT to find y

$= \frac{18 - 2s}{(s - 4)(s - 2)}$

nothing on table looks like

would be nice if  $= \frac{A}{s - 4} + \frac{B}{s - 2}$  partial fractions!

$$\frac{18-2s}{(s-4)(s-2)} = \frac{A}{s-4} + \frac{B}{s-2}$$

$$18-2s = A(s-2) + B(s-4)$$

$$-2s + 18 = (A+B)s + (-2A-4B)$$

$$A+B = -2$$

$$-2A-4B = 18$$

$$2A+2B = -4$$

$$-2B = 414$$

$$B = -7$$

$$A = 5$$

$$\text{So, } y = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{5 \cdot \frac{1}{s-4} - 7 \cdot \frac{1}{s-2}\right\}$$

$$= 5 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-4}\right\} - 7 \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-2}\right\}$$

$$y = 5e^{4t} - 7e^{2t}$$

Example  $y'' + 4y = 4$        $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = -2$

"old" way: solve the homogeneous part

then use undetermined coefficients  
(involves guessing)

or variation of parameters (what? that?)

LT way: transform, then solve for  $Y$ , then inverse LT

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} + 4\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{4\}$$

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

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

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

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

partial fraction

$$= \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} - \frac{2}{s^2 + 4} + \frac{1}{s} - \frac{5}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$Y = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{2}{s^2+4} \quad \text{so, } y = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s} - \frac{2}{s^2+4} \right\}$$

$$y = 1 - \sin 2t$$

we know <sup>LT of</sup> deriv. of y

what about LT of integral?  $\mathcal{L} \left\{ \int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau \right\}$

turns out  $\mathcal{L} \left\{ \int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau \right\} = \frac{F(s)}{s}$  where  $F = \mathcal{L}\{f\}$

Sometimes useful, e.g.  $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{4}{s(s^2+4)} \right\}$

Partial fraction

$$\text{or } \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\frac{4}{s^2+4}}{s} \right\} = \int_0^t 2 \sin 2\tau d\tau$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cos 2\tau \Big|_0^t = -\frac{1}{2} \cos 2t + \frac{1}{2}$$