

Warm up:Use Euler's formula:  $e^{it} = \cos(t) + i\sin(t)$ To write  $\cos(t)$  in terms of complex exponentials.

$$\text{Ans: } \begin{aligned} e^{it} &= \cos(t) + i\sin(t) \\ + e^{-it} &= \cos(t) - i\sin(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{it} + e^{-it} = 2\cos(t) + 0$$

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

I. Laplace Transforms:

→ powerful tool to solve linear ODEs with variable coeffs

$$a(t)y'' + b(t)y' + c(t)y = f(t)$$

Def: The Laplace Transform of a function  $f(t)$  is defined

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{e^{-st}}_{\text{"kernel" of the transform}} f(t) dt$$

Linear ODE → solutions are exponentials  
so the kernel  $e^{-st}$  is a good choice

$$f(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} F(s)$$

Ex: Find the Laplace Transform (LT) of  $f(t) \equiv 1$ 

$$\mathcal{L}\{1\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (1) dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt \quad \text{indefinite integral}$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_0^b$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{e^{-sb}}{-s} - \frac{1}{-s} \right] = \frac{1}{s} \quad \text{if } s > 0$$

→ 0  
if  $s > 0$

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

Q: Find the L.T. of  $f(t) \equiv 3$  (a)  $\mathcal{L}\{3\} = \frac{1}{s}$

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(a)  $\mathcal{L}\{3\} = \frac{3}{s}$       (b)  $\mathcal{L}\{3\} = \frac{3}{s}$       (c)  $\mathcal{L}\{3\} = \frac{1}{s^3}$

$$\mathcal{L}\{3\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (3) dt = 3 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = 3 \mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{3}{s}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{a f(t)\} = a \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \quad \text{where } a \text{ is a constant}$$

Ex: Find the L.T. of  $f(t) = e^{at}$  where  $a$  is a const.

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (e^{at}) dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b e^{-(s-a)t} dt$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{e^{-(s-a)t}}{-(s-a)} \right]_0^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{e^{-(s-a)b}}{-(s-a)} - \frac{1}{-(s-a)} \right]$$

$\xrightarrow{0}$   
 $s-a > 0$

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

## II. Linearity:

Ex: Find the L.T. of  $f(t) = 1 + e^{-3t}$

$$\mathcal{L}\{1 + e^{-3t}\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (1 + e^{-3t}) dt \quad \text{because integral is linear}$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} e^{-3t} dt$$

$$= \mathcal{L}\{1\} + \mathcal{L}\{e^{-3t}\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{1 + e^{-3t}\} = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s+3} \quad \text{if } s > 0$$

So the L.T. satisfies

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{L}\{a f(t)\} = a \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \\ \mathcal{L}\{f(t) + g(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} + \mathcal{L}\{g(t)\} \end{cases}$$

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NOTE: This is NOT true for multiplication of fns  
 $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)g(t)\} \neq \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}\mathcal{L}\{g(t)\}$

### III. More Transforms

Ex: Find the L.T. of  $f(t) = \cos(t)$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \cos(t) dt \quad \leftarrow \text{difficult integral}$$

instead, expand  $\cos(t)$  using Euler's formula

$$\cos(t) = \frac{1}{2} [e^{it} + e^{-it}]$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{2} [e^{it} + e^{-it}]\right\} \quad \leftarrow \text{linearity}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}\{e^{it}\} + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}\{e^{-it}\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{s-i} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{s+i} \right)$$

$$s > \text{Re}(i) = 0 \quad s > \text{Re}(-i) = 0$$

find a common denominator  $\rightarrow$  real-valued

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{s-i} \right) \frac{(s+i)}{(s+i)} + \left( \frac{1}{s+i} \right) \frac{(s-i)}{(s-i)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{s+i + s-i}{s^2+1} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2s}{s^2+1} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}\{\cos(t)\} = \frac{s}{s^2+1} \quad s > 0}$$

Ex: Find the L.T. of  $f(t) = 5t$

$$\mathcal{L}\{5t\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (5t) dt = 5 \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-st} dt$$

Integration by Parts:  $u = t$   $dv = e^{-st} dt$   
 $du = dt$   $v = \frac{e^{-st}}{-s}$

$$= 5 \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \left( \frac{t e^{-st}}{-s} \right) \Big|_0^b - \int_0^b \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} dt \right]$$

$$= 5 \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \left( \frac{te^{-st}}{-s} \right)_0^b - \int_0^b \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} dt \right]$$

$$= 5 \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{te^{-st}}{-s} - \frac{e^{-st}}{(-s)^2} \right]_0^b$$

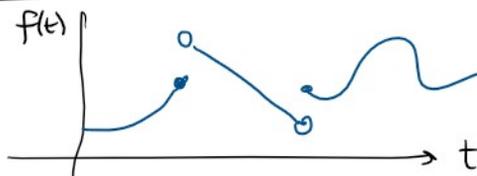
$$= 5 \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \underbrace{\frac{be^{-sb}}{-s}}_{\substack{\rightarrow 0 \\ s > 0}} - \frac{e^{-sb}}{s^2} - 0 + \frac{1}{s^2} \right]$$

$$= 5 \left[ \frac{1}{s^2} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{st\} = \frac{5}{s^2} \quad \text{if } s > 0$$

#### IV, Piecewise Continuous Functions:

function  $f(t)$  has finitely many jumps



Ex:  $u(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } t \geq 0 \end{cases}$

unit step function

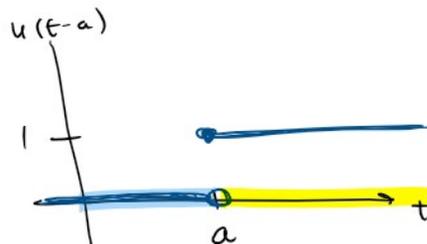


$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} u(t) dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} (1) dt = \mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{1}{s}$$

because  $u(t) = 1$  if  $t \geq 0$

$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = \frac{1}{s} \quad \text{if } s > 0$$

Ex:  $u_a(t) = u(t-a) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < a \\ 1 & t \geq a \end{cases}$



$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{u(t-a)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} u(t-a) dt \\ &= \int_0^a \cancel{e^{-st} (0)} dt + \int_a^{\infty} e^{-st} (1) dt \end{aligned}$$

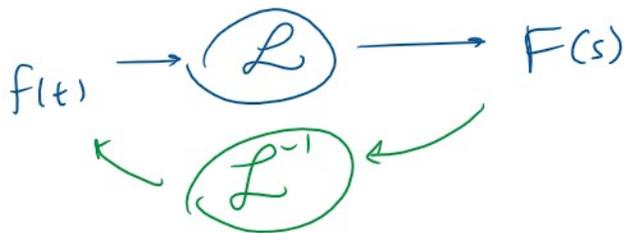
$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_a^b \\
 &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{e^{-sb}}{-s} - \frac{e^{-sa}}{-s} \right] = \frac{e^{-as}}{s}
 \end{aligned}$$

if  $s > 0$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}\{u(t-a)\} = \frac{e^{-as}}{s} \quad \text{if } s > 0}$$

## IV. Inverse Laplace Transforms:

If  $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$ , then we call  $f(t)$  the inverse Laplace transform of  $F(s)$



Ex:  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+3}\right\} = ? = e^{-3t}$

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\} = \frac{1}{s-a} \quad \text{set } a = -3$$

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

Before, we showed  $\mathcal{L}\{5t\} = \frac{5}{s^2}$

In practice, use a Table of Laplace Transforms

$f(t)$	$F(s)$
1	$\frac{1}{s}$ <span style="float: right;"><math>s &gt; 0</math></span>

1	$\frac{1}{s}$	$s > 0$
$t$	$\frac{1}{s^2}$	$s > 0$
$t^n$ ( $n \geq 0$ integer)	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$	$s > 0$
$e^{at}$	$\frac{1}{s-a}$	$s > a$
$\cos(kt)$	$\frac{s}{s^2+k^2}$	$s > 0$
$\sin(kt)$	$\frac{k}{s^2+k^2}$	$s > 0$
$u(t-a)$	$\frac{e^{-as}}{s}$	$s > 0$ $a > 0$

Ex: Find the inverse L.T. of  $F(s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{2}{s-5}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s} - \frac{2}{s-5}\right\} & \stackrel{\text{linearity}}{=} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s}\right\} - 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-5}\right\} \\ & = 1 - 2(e^{5t}) = \boxed{1 - 2e^{5t} = f(t)} \end{aligned}$$

Ex: Find  $\mathcal{L}\left\{3e^{2t} + 2\sin^2(3t)\right\}$

use trig identity:  $2\sin^2\theta = 1 - \cos(2\theta)$   
Let  $\theta = 3t$

$$= \mathcal{L}\left\{3e^{2t} + 1 - \cos(6t)\right\}$$

linearity

$$= 3\mathcal{L}\left\{e^{2t}\right\} + \mathcal{L}\left\{1\right\} - \mathcal{L}\left\{\cos(6t)\right\}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{look up in table}}{=} 3\left(\frac{1}{s-2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{s}\right) - \left(\frac{s}{s^2+36}\right)$$

Find a common denominator

$$= \frac{3s^3 + 144s - 72}{s(s-2)(s^2+36)} = F(s)$$

### ★ Summary:

- $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$
- The Laplace Transform is linear  
 $\mathcal{L}\{af(t) + bg(t)\} = a\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} + b\mathcal{L}\{g(t)\}$
- You can take the L.T. of a piecewise continuous function, like the unit step function  $u(t-a) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < a \\ 1 & t \geq a \end{cases}$
- To find  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$  (inverse L.T.) use a Table of Laplace Transforms.