



Picker Engineering Program

## THE LAPLACE TRANSFORM II

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### Topics for Today and Wednesday

- Properties of the ROC
- The Inverse Laplace Xform and partial fraction expansion
- Properties of the Laplace Xform
- Analysis of LTI systems w/ the Laplace Xform
- Unilateral Laplace Xform

## *Properties of the Laplace Transform's ROC*

**Property 1:** The ROC of  $X(s)$  consists of strips parallel to the  $j\omega$  axis in the  $s$ -plane.

**Property 2:** For rational Laplace transforms, the ROC does not contain any poles.

**Property 3:** If  $x(t)$  is of finite duration and is absolutely integrable, then the ROC is the entire  $s$ -plane.

## *Properties of the Laplace Transform's ROC*

**Property 4:** If  $x(t)$  is right sided, and if the line  $\Re\{s\} = \sigma_o$  is in the ROC, then all values of  $s$  for which  $\Re\{s\} > \sigma_o$  will also be in the ROC.

**Property 5:** If  $x(t)$  is left sided, and if the line  $\Re\{s\} = \sigma_o$  is in the ROC, then all values of  $s$  for which  $\Re\{s\} < \sigma_o$  will also be in the ROC.

**Property 6:** If  $x(t)$  is two sided, and if the line  $\Re\{s\} = \sigma_o$  is in the ROC, then the ROC will consist of a strip in the  $s$ -plane that includes the line  $\Re\{s\} = \sigma_o$ .

**Property 7:** If the Laplace transform  $X(s)$  of  $x(t)$  is rational, then its ROC is bounded by poles or extends to infinity. In addition, no poles of  $X(s)$  are contained in the ROC.

**Property 8:** If the Laplace transform  $X(s)$  of  $x(t)$  is rational, then if  $x(t)$  is right sided, the ROC is the region in the  $s$ -plane to the right of the rightmost pole. If  $x(t)$  is left sided, the ROC is the region in the  $s$ -plane to the left of the leftmost pole.

## *The Inverse Laplace Transform*

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\sigma-j\infty}^{\sigma+j\infty} X(s)e^{st} ds$$

- Evaluate at a constant  $\sigma$  and from  $\omega=-\infty$  to  $\omega=\infty$ .
- The contour of integration is a line parallel to the  $j\omega$  axis.
- General evaluation requires contour integration in the complex plane and is difficult!
- We will use technique of partial-fraction expansion combined with Laplace transform tables to determine inverse transforms.

## *The Inverse Laplace Transform*

$$\begin{aligned} X(s) &= \frac{B(s)}{A(s)} \\ &= \frac{b_M s^M + b_{M-1} s^{M-1} + \dots + b_1 s + b_o}{s^N + a_{N-1} s^{N-1} + \dots + a_1 s + a_o} \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{M-N} c_k s^k}_{\text{term exists only when } M > N} + \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_k}{s - d_k} \end{aligned}$$

### *Inverse Transform Techniques for Rational Functions*

Given an s-domain expression

$$V(s) = \frac{N(s)}{D(s)} = \frac{(s+a_1)(s+a_2)\dots(s+a_m)}{(s+\alpha_1)(s+\alpha_2)\dots(s+\alpha_n)} = \frac{A}{s+\alpha_1} + \frac{B}{s+\alpha_2} + \dots + \frac{N}{s+\alpha_n}$$

- $N(s)$  and  $D(s)$  are polynomials in  $s$
- Zeros: values of  $s$  for which  $N(s)=0$
- Poles: values of  $s$  for which  $D(s)=0$
- The degree of the numerator is less than the degree of the denominator (i.e.,  $n > m$ )

### *Partial Fraction Expansion for Simple Poles*

$$\begin{aligned} F(s) &= \frac{N(s)}{(s+p_1)(s+p_2)\dots(s+p_n)} \\ F(s) &= \frac{k_1}{s+p_1} + \frac{k_2}{s+p_2} + \dots + \frac{k_n}{s+p_n} \end{aligned}$$

We need to find the  $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n$ .

$$(s+p_1)F(s) = k_1 + \frac{(s+p_1)k_2}{s+p_2} + \dots + \frac{(s+p_1)k_n}{s+p_n}$$

Since  $p_i \neq p_j$ , setting  $s = -p_i$  leaves only  $k_1$  on the right-hand side.

$$(s+p_1)F(s)|_{s=-p_1} = k_1$$

In general,

$$k_i = (s+p_i)F(s)|_{s=-p_i}$$

*Partial Fraction Expansion Example:  
Distinct Pole Case (H & K Text Example 8.16)*

Determine the inverse Laplace transform  $x(t)$  when

$$X(s) = \frac{s+2}{s^3+4s^2+3s} = \frac{s+2}{s(s+1)(s+3)} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > 0$$

$$X(s) = \frac{c_1}{s} + \frac{c_2}{s+1} + \frac{c_3}{s+3}$$

*Partial Fraction Expansion Example:  
Repeated Pole Case*

Determine the inverse Laplace transform  $x(t)$  when

$$\begin{aligned} X(s) &= \frac{3s+4}{(s+1)(s+2)^2} \quad \text{Re}\{s\} > -1 \\ &= \frac{A_1}{s+1} + \frac{A_2}{s+2} + \frac{A_3}{(s+2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

*Text examples 9.9, 9.10, 9.11 (you should do them)*

## *Laplace Transform Properties*

**TABLE 9.1** PROPERTIES OF THE LAPLACE TRANSFORM

Section	Property	Signal	Laplace Transform	ROC
		$x(t)$ $x_1(t)$ $x_2(t)$	$X(s)$ $X_1(s)$ $X_2(s)$	$R$ $R_1$ $R_2$
9.5.1	Linearity	$ax_1(t) + bx_2(t)$	$aX_1(s) + bX_2(s)$	At least $R_1 \cap R_2$
9.5.2	Time shifting	$x(t - t_0)$	$e^{-st_0}X(s)$	$R$
9.5.3	Shifting in the $s$ -Domain	$e^{st_0}x(t)$	$X(s - s_0)$	Shifted version of $R$ (i.e., $s$ is in the ROC if $s - s_0$ is in $R$ )
9.5.4	Time scaling	$x(at)$	$\frac{1}{ a }X\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$	Scaled ROC (i.e., $s$ is in the ROC if $s/a$ is in $R$ )
9.5.5	Conjugation	$x^*(t)$	$X^*(s^*)$	$R$
9.5.6	Convolution	$x_1(t) * x_2(t)$	$X_1(s)X_2(s)$	At least $R_1 \cap R_2$
9.5.7	Differentiation in the Time Domain	$\frac{d}{dt}x(t)$	$sX(s)$	At least $R$
9.5.8	Differentiation in the $s$ -Domain	$-tx(t)$	$\frac{d}{ds}X(s)$	$R$
9.5.9	Integration in the Time Domain	$\int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau)d(\tau)$	$\frac{1}{s}X(s)$	At least $R \cap \{\operatorname{Re}\{s\} > 0\}$
Initial- and Final-Value Theorems				
9.5.10	If $x(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$ and $x(t)$ contains no impulses or higher-order singularities at $t = 0$ , then			
	$x(0^+) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sX(s)$			
	If $x(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$ and $x(t)$ has a finite limit as $t \rightarrow \infty$ , then			
	$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sX(s)$			

### *Special Case of Time Scaling: Time Reversal*

**Time Reversal:**  $x(-t) \leftrightarrow X(-s)$ , with ROC = -R

**Example:** Determine  $x(t)$  that corresponds to  $X(s)$ .

$$X(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + 9}, \quad \text{ROC} : \Re\{s\} < 0$$

$$X(s) = \frac{s + 1}{(s + 1)^2 + 9}, \quad \text{ROC} : \Re\{s\} < -1$$

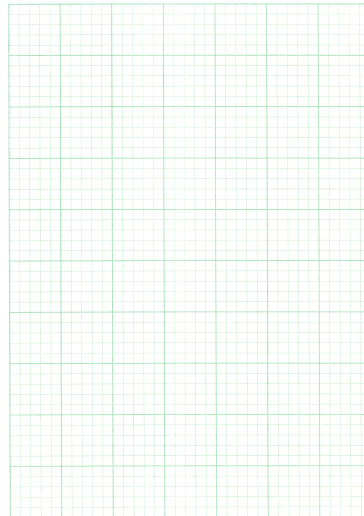
*See HW problems 9.22 (a,b,e)*

### *Convolution Example* (adapted from H&K 8.14)

Determine  $x(t) * x(t)$  given  $x(t) = u(t) - u(t - 1)$ , and sketch both  $x(t)$  and  $x(t) * x(t)$ .

Approach 1: Use the property  $x(t) * x(t) \leftrightarrow X^2(s)$ .

Approach 2: Compute  $x(t) * x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)x(t - \tau)d\tau$ .



### *Initial- and Final-Value Theorems*

*(requires that  $x(t) = 0$  for  $t < 0$ )*

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sX(s) = x(0^+)$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sX(s) = x(t \rightarrow \infty)$$

Determine the final and initial values for  $x(t)$  where  $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$  and

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

### *Final-Value Theorem Example*

Determine the final and initial values for  $x(t)$  where  $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$  and

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



## Analysis and characterization of LTI systems using the Laplace Transform (9.7)

### Important points from Section 9.7

#### 1. System Function (transfer function)

$$Y(s) = H(s)X(s)$$

2. **Causality:** The ROC associated with the system function for a causal system is a right-half plane to the right of the rightmost pole.
3. **Stability:** An LTI system is stable if and only if the ROC of its system function  $H(s)$  includes the entire  $j\omega$  axis.
4. **Causality and Stability:** A causal system with system function  $H(s)$  is stable if and only if all of the poles of  $H(s)$  lie in the left-half of the s-plane – i.e., all of the poles have negative real parts.

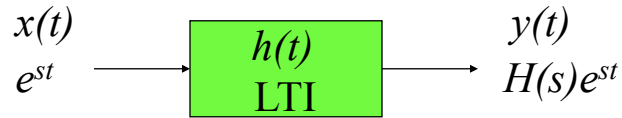
### *Eigenfunction Property of $e^{st}$*

The response of an LTI system to a complex exponential is the same complex exponential multiplied by a complex amplitude



- Recall:  $e^{st} = e^{(\sigma + j\omega)t} = e^{\sigma t} e^{j\omega t} = e^{\sigma t} [\cos \omega t + j \sin \omega t]$
- $e^{st}$  is an eigenfunction (eigenvector) of the system
- $H(s)$  is a complex amplitude and an eigenvalue of the system

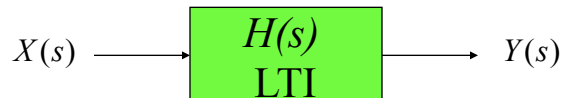
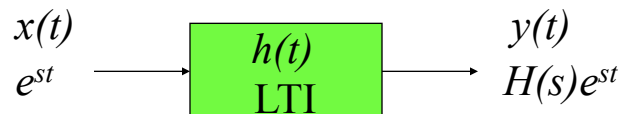
Proof: The response of an LTI system to a complex exponential is the same complex exponential multiplied by a complex amplitude.



$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)x(t-\tau)d\tau \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)e^{s(t-\tau)}d\tau \\
 &= e^{st} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)e^{-s\tau}d\tau}_{H(s)} \\
 &= H(s)e^{st}
 \end{aligned}$$

For a specific value of  $s$ , the complex constant  $H(s)$  is the eigenvalue associated with the eigenfunction  $e^{st}$ .

### *Transfer Function Representation*



- $H(s)$  is the transfer function when the system is linear and time invariant
- $H(s)$  is the Laplace Transform of the impulse response  $h(t)$
- $H(s) = Y(s)/X(s)$

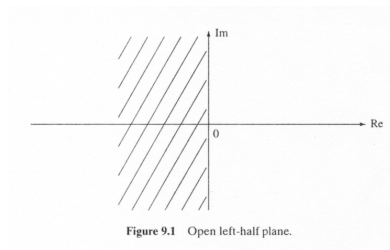
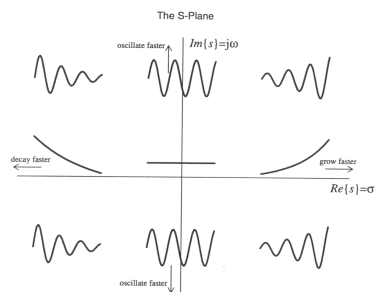
*The poles of the transfer function  $H(s)$  determine the form of the system's impulse response  $h(t)$ . For a causal system:*

1. If  $H(s)$  has a nonrepeated pole  $p$  that is real, then  $h(t)$  contains a term of the form  $ce^{pt}$  for some constant  $c$ .
2. If  $H(s)$  has a pole  $p$  that is real and repeated two times, then  $h(t)$  contains a term of the form  $c_1e^{pt} + c_2te^{pt}$  for some constant  $c$ .
3. If  $H(s)$  has a nonrepeated pair of complex poles  $p = \sigma \pm j\omega$ , then  $h(t)$  contains a term of the form  $ce^{\sigma t} \cos(\omega t + \theta)$  for some constants  $c$  and  $\theta$ .

What condition is required for the impulse response to converge to zero as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ?

$$\operatorname{Re}(p_i) < 0 \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

The condition requires that all poles of the system are located in the open left-half plane.



### *Causality and Stability*

These statements assume the system is causal.

1. **Stable:** A system with transfer function  $H(s)$  is stable if its impulse response  $h(t)$  converges to zero as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . A system is stable if and only if all its poles are located in the open left-half plane.
2. **Marginally stable:** A system with transfer function  $H(s)$  is marginally stable if its impulse response  $h(t)$  is bounded; that is, there exists a finite positive constant  $c$  such that  $|h(t)| \leq c$  for all  $t$ . A system is stable if and only if all its poles are located in the open left-half plane and non-repeated poles only can be located on the  $j\omega$  axis.
3. **Unstable:** A system with transfer function  $H(s)$  is unstable if its impulse response  $h(t)$  grows without bound as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus, a system is unstable if and only if there is at least one pole located in the open right-half plane or if there are repeated poles on the  $j\omega$ -axis.

### **The One-sided or uni-lateral Laplace Transform**

$$X(s) = \int_0^{\infty} x(t)e^{-st} dt$$

- Useful for solving differential equations with initial conditions (section 9.9.3).
- ROC is always a right half plane

## *Properties of the Laplace Transform*

### **D.2 Laplace Transform Properties**

Signal	Unilateral Transform $x(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}_u} X(s)$ $y(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}_u} Y(s)$	Bilateral Transform $x(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} X(s)$ $y(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} Y(s)$	ROC $s \in R_x$ $s \in R_y$
$ax(t) + by(t)$	$aX(s) + bY(s)$	$aX(s) + bY(s)$	At least $R_x \cap R_y$
$x(t - \tau)$	$e^{-s\tau}X(s)$ if $x(t - \tau)u(t) = x(t - \tau)u(t - \tau)$	$e^{-s\tau}X(s)$	$R_x$
$e^{s_0 t}x(t)$	$X(s - s_0)$	$X(s - s_0)$	$R_x + \text{Re}\{s_0\}$
$x(at)$	$\frac{1}{a}X\left(\frac{s}{a}\right), \quad a > 0$	$\frac{1}{ a }X\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$	$\frac{R_x}{ a }$
$x(t) * y(t)$	$X(s)Y(s)$ if $x(t) = y(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$	$X(s)Y(s)$	At least $R_x \cap R_y$
$-tx(t)$	$\frac{d}{ds}X(s)$	$\frac{d}{ds}X(s)$	$R_x$
$\frac{d}{dt}x(t)$	$sX(s) - x(0^-)$	$sX(s)$	At least $R_x$
$\int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau$	$\frac{1}{s} \int_{-\infty}^{0^-} x(\tau) d\tau + \frac{X(s)}{s}$	$\frac{X(s)}{s}$	At least $R_x \cap \{\text{Re}\{s\} > 0\}$

### *Transform of the Input/Output Differential Equation (Haykin and Van Veen 6.10)*

*(Unilateral)*

Use the Laplace transform to solve the differential equation with the given conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dt}y(t) + 5y(t) &= 5x(t) \\
 x(t) &= \frac{3}{5}e^{-2t}u(t) \\
 y(0^-) &= -2
 \end{aligned}$$

### *Transform of the Input/Output Differential Equation*

Problem 8.14 (g) (H&K text). Compute the solution to the differential equation using the Laplace Transform.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 6 \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 13y(t) &= x(t) \\ x(t) &= u(t) \\ y(0) &= 1 \\ dy(0)/dt &= 1\end{aligned}$$

Take the Laplace Transform of both sides.

$$\begin{aligned}[s^2 Y(s) - sy(0-) - dy(0-)/dt] + 6[sY(s) - y(0-)] + 13Y(s) &= X(s) \\ Y(s)[s^2 + 6s + 13] - [sy(0-) + dy(0-)/dt + 6y(0-)] &= X(s)\end{aligned}$$

$$Y(s) = \underbrace{\frac{X(s)}{s^2 + 6s + 13}}_{\text{forced response}} + \underbrace{\frac{sy(0-) + dy(0-)/dt + 6y(0-)}{s^2 + 6s + 13}}_{\text{natural response}}$$

### *Transform of the Input/Output Differential Equation*

$$Y(s) = \underbrace{\frac{X(s)}{s^2 + 6s + 13}}_{\text{forced response}} + \underbrace{\frac{sy(0-) + dy(0-)/dt + 6y(0-)}{s^2 + 6s + 13}}_{\text{natural response}}$$

Substitute for  $X(s) = 1/s$ ,  $y(0-) = 1$ , and  $dy(0-)/dt = 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}Y(s) &= \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 6s + 13)} + \frac{s + 7}{s^2 + 6s + 13} \\ Y(s) &= \frac{s^2 + 7s + 1}{s(s^2 + 6s + 13)} \\ Y(s) &= \frac{s^2 + 7s + 1}{s[(s + 3)^2 + 4]} \\ Y(s) &= \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs + C}{(s + 3)^2 + 4}\end{aligned}$$

### *Transform of the Input/Output Differential Equation*

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 6s + 13)} + \frac{s + 7}{s^2 + 6s + 13}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs + C}{(s + 3)^2 + 4}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{\frac{1}{13}}{s} + \frac{\frac{12}{13}s + \frac{85}{13}}{(s + 3)^2 + 4}$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{13} \frac{1}{s} + \frac{12}{13} \frac{s + 3}{(s + 3)^2 + 4} + \frac{49}{26} \frac{2}{(s + 3)^2 + 4}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{13}u(t) + \frac{12}{13}e^{-3t} \cos(2t)u(t) + \frac{49}{26}e^{-3t} \sin(2t)u(t)$$

### *Pole Locations and the Form of a Signal*

1. If  $X(s)$  has a nonrepeated pole  $p$  that is real, then  $x(t)$  contains a term of the form  $ce^{pt}$  for some constant  $c$ .
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