

1.5 Inverse of Laplace Transform

Inversion by partial fraction

The inverse of the laplace could be obtained from tables for simple functions but for more complicated function partial fraction is needed

$$\boxed{L^{-1} f(s) = f(t)}$$

1- Partial fraction

Example:

$$\frac{A}{(s+a)(s+b)} = \frac{\alpha_0}{(s+a)} + \frac{\alpha_1}{(s+b)}$$

$$A = \alpha_0(s+b) + \alpha_1(s+a)$$

$$\alpha_0 = ?$$

$$\alpha_1 = ?$$

Example:

$$\frac{A}{(s+a)(s+b)^2} = \frac{\alpha_0}{(s+a)} + \frac{\alpha_1}{(s+b)} + \frac{\alpha_2}{(s+b)^2}$$

Example:

$$\frac{A}{(s^2+w^2)(s+a)} = \frac{\alpha_0}{(s+a)} + \frac{\alpha_1 s + \alpha_2}{(s^2+w^2)}$$

Example: Solve the IVP $y'' - y = t$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 1$.

Solution:

Step 1: Take Laplace Transform: $(s^2 Y(s) - s - 1) - Y(s) = \frac{1}{s^2}$ (subsidiary equation)

Step 2: Solve for $Y(s) \Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{s+1+\frac{1}{s^2}}{s^2-1} = \frac{s^3+s^2+1}{s^2(s-1)(s+1)} = \frac{A}{s^2} + \frac{B}{s} + \frac{C}{s-1} + \frac{D}{s+1}$

$$\text{Then: } A = \left. \frac{s^3+s^2+1}{(s-1)(s+1)} \right|_{s=0} = -1, \quad C = \left. \frac{s^3+s^2+1}{s^2(s+1)} \right|_{s=1} = \frac{3}{2},$$

$$D = \left. \frac{s^3+s^2+1}{s^2(s-1)} \right|_{s=-1} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and lastly, to find B, substitute } s=2, \text{ we get}$$

$$\frac{13}{12} = -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{6} \text{ and obtain } B=0.$$

Step 3: Solve for $y(t)$: $Y(s) = -\frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{s-1} - \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{s+1} \Rightarrow$

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

Example:

Find $L^{-1} \left[\frac{d^3 x}{dt^3} + 2 \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} - \frac{dx}{dt} - 2x = 4 + e^{2t} \right]$

where

$$x(0) = 1, \quad x'(0) = 0, \quad x''(0) = -1$$

Solution:

$$[s^3 x(s) - s^2 x(0) - sx'(0) - x''(0)] + 2[s^2 x(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] - [sx(s) - x(0)] - 2x(s) = \frac{4}{s} + \frac{1}{s-2}$$

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

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

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

$$x(s) = \frac{s^4 - 6s^2 + 9s - 8}{s(s-2)(s+1)(s+2)(s-1)}$$

$$x(s) = \frac{\alpha_0}{s} \times \frac{\alpha_1}{s-2} \times \frac{\alpha_2}{s+1} \times \frac{\alpha_3}{s+2} \times \frac{\alpha_4}{s-1}$$

$$s^4 - 6s^2 + 9s - 8 = \alpha_0(s-2)(s+1)(s+2)(s-1) + \alpha_1 s(s+1)(s+2)(s-1) + \alpha_2 s(s-2)(s+2)(s-1) + \alpha_3 s(s-2)(s+1)(s-1) + \alpha_4 s(s-2)(s+1)(s+2)$$

assume $s=0$

$$-8 = \alpha_0(-2)(1)(2)(-1)$$

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{-8}{+4} = -2$$

assume $s=2 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = 1/12$

assume $s=-1 \Rightarrow \alpha_2 = 11/3$

assume $s=-2 \Rightarrow \alpha_3 = -17/12$

assume $s=1 \Rightarrow \alpha_4 = 2/3$

$$x(s) = \frac{-2}{s} + \frac{1/12}{s-2} + \frac{11/3}{s+1} - \frac{17/12}{s+2} + \frac{2/3}{s-1}$$

$$x(t) = -2 + \frac{1}{12}e^{2t} + \frac{11}{3}e^{-t} - \frac{17}{12}e^{-2t} + \frac{2}{3}e^t$$

1.6 Final Value Theorem

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sf(s)$$

1.7 Initial Value Theorem

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sf(s)$$

Example:

Find the final value of the function x(t) for which the laplace inverse is:-

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

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sx(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{s \times 1}{s(s^3 + 3s^2 + 3s + 1)}$$

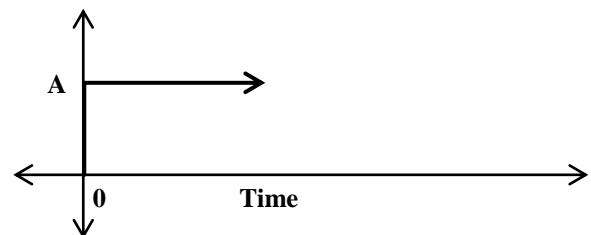
$$= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{(s^3 + 3s^2 + 3s + 1)} = 1$$

1.8 Special Functions

1- Step function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ A & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f(s) = \frac{A}{s}$$



If A=1 the change is called unit step change

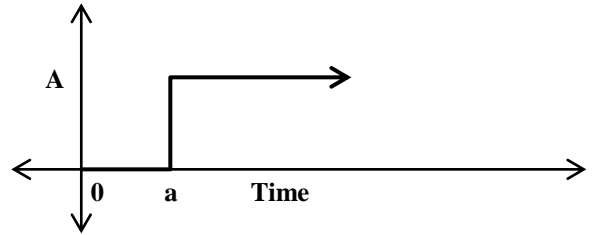
$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ 1 & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

Step function with Time Delay

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < a \\ A & t \geq a \end{cases}$$

$$f(s) = \frac{A}{s} e^{-as}$$

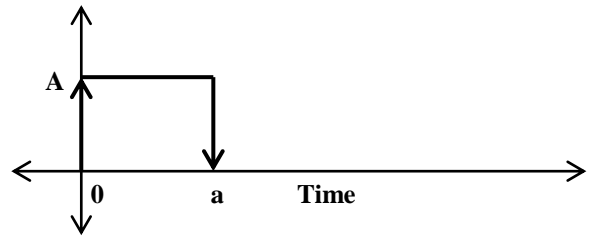


2. Pulse function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ A & 0 \leq t \leq a \\ 0 & t \geq a \end{cases}$$

$$f(s) = \frac{A}{s} - \frac{A}{s} e^{-as}$$

$$= \frac{A}{s} (1 - e^{-as})$$

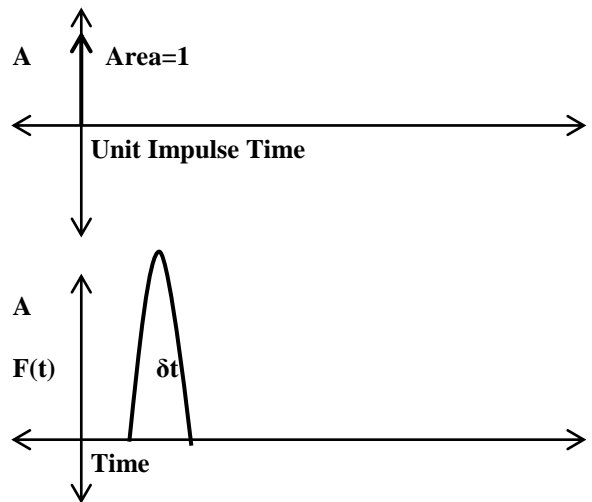


if $A=1 \rightarrow$ unit Pulse

3. Impulse function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ A & 0 \leq t \leq \delta t \\ 0 & t \geq \delta t \end{cases}$$

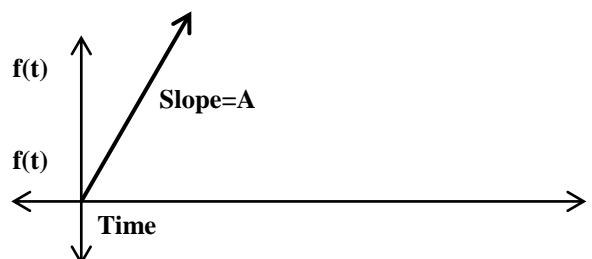
$$f(s) = \text{area} = A \times \delta t$$



4. Ramp function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ At & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

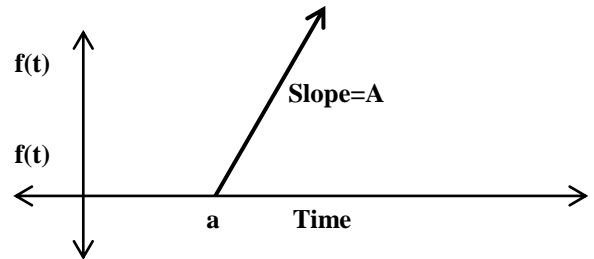
$$f(s) = \frac{A}{s^2}$$



Ramp function with time delay

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < a \\ At & t \geq a \end{cases}$$

$$f(s) = \frac{A}{s^2} e^{-as}$$



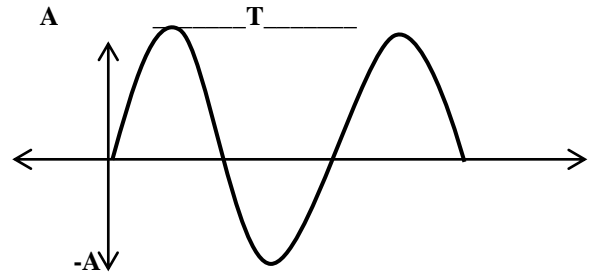
5. Sine function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < a \\ A \sin \omega t & t \geq a \end{cases}$$

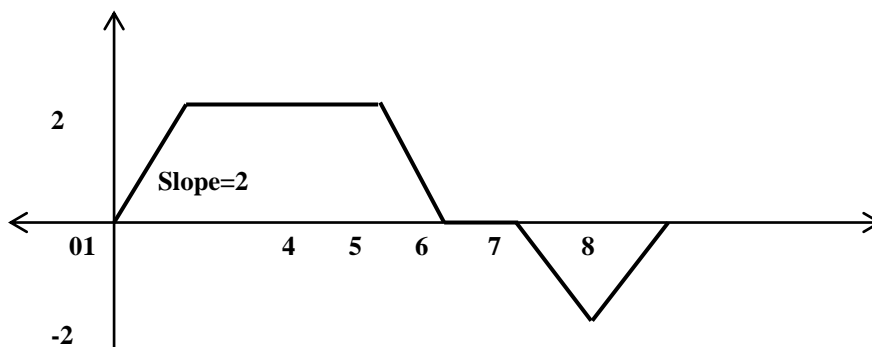
$$f(s) = \frac{A\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$



1.9 Disturbance function (complex function)

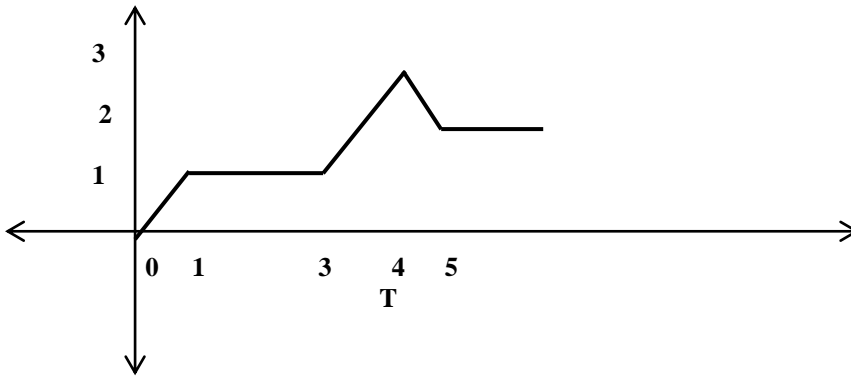


$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 2t & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 2 & 1 \leq t < 4 \\ -2t & 4 \leq t < 5 \\ 0 & 5 \leq t < 6 \\ -2t & 6 \leq t < 7 \\ 2t & 7 \leq t < 8 \\ 0 & t > 8 \end{cases}$$

$$f(t) = 2t - 2(t-1) - 2(t-4) + 2(t-5) - 2(t-6) + 2 \times 2(t-7) - 2(t-8)$$

$$f(s) = \frac{2}{s^2} - \frac{2}{s^2} e^{-s} - \frac{2}{s^2} e^{-4s} + \frac{2}{s^2} e^{-5s} - \frac{2}{s^2} e^{-6s} + \frac{4}{s^2} e^{-7s} - \frac{2}{s^2} e^{-8s}$$

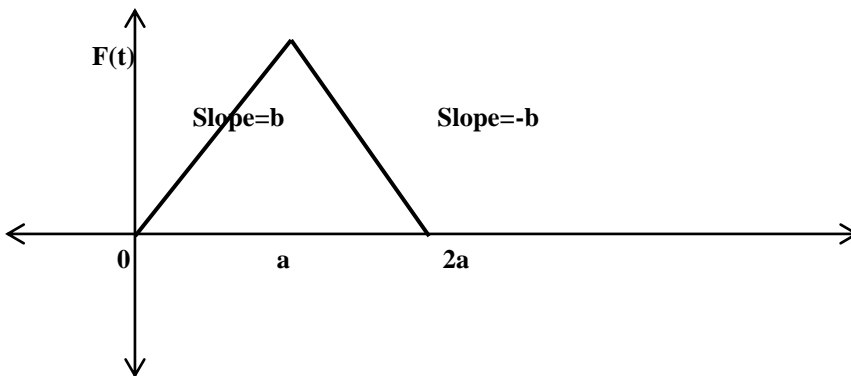
Example:



$$f(t) = t - (t-1) + 2(t-3) - 2(t-4) + (t-5)$$

$$f(s) = \frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{1}{s^2}e^{-s} + \frac{2}{s^2}e^{-3s} - \frac{2}{s^2}e^{-4s} + \frac{1}{s^2}e^{-5s}$$

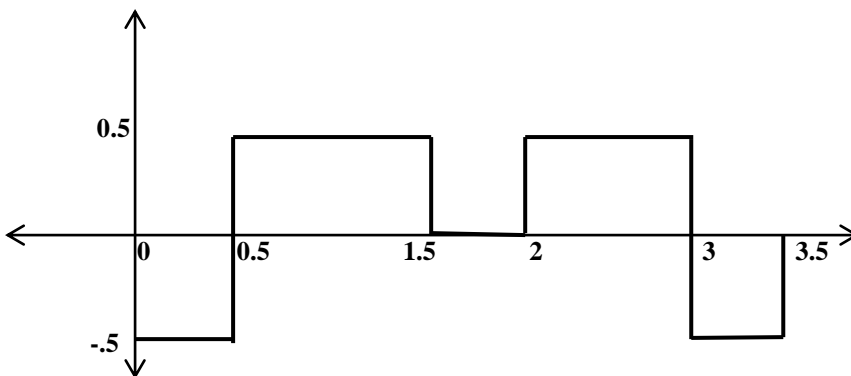
Example:



$$f(t) = bt - 2b(t-a) + b(t-2a)$$

$$f(s) = \frac{b}{s^2} - \frac{2b}{s^2}e^{-as} + \frac{b}{s^2}e^{-2as}$$

Example:



$$f(t) = -0.5 + 1\delta(t-0.5) - 0.5\delta(t-1.5) + 0.5\delta(t-2) - 1\delta(t-3) + 0.5\delta(t-3.5)$$

$$f(s) = -\frac{0.5}{s} + \frac{1}{s}e^{-0.5s} - \frac{0.5}{s}e^{-1.5s} + \frac{0.5}{s}e^{-2s} - \frac{1}{s}e^{-3s} + \frac{0.5}{s}e^{-3.5s}$$

Solved problems

1. Determine the inverse Laplace transform

$$(a) L^{-1} \left[\frac{3}{(2s+5)^3} \right] = \frac{3}{8} L^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{(s+5/2)^3} \right] = \frac{3}{16} t^2 e^{-5t/2}$$

$$(b) L^{-1} \left[\frac{s-1}{2s^2+s+3} \right] = \frac{1}{2} e^{-t/4} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{47}t}{4}\right) - \frac{5}{2\sqrt{47}} e^{-t/4} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{47}t}{4}\right)$$

2. Determine the partial fraction expansion

$$(a) \frac{-8s^2-5s+9}{(s+1)(s^2-3s+2)} = \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{2}{s-1} - \frac{11}{s-2}$$

$$(b) \frac{-5s-36}{(s+2)(s^2+9)} = -2\frac{1}{s+2} + 2\frac{s}{s^2+9} - 3\frac{3}{s^2+9}$$

$$(c) \frac{3s^2+5s+3}{s^4+s^3} = \frac{3s^2+5s+3}{s^3(s+1)} = \frac{3}{s^3} + \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s+1}$$

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

2. Determine $L^{-1}\{F(s)\}$

(a)

$$F(s) = \frac{s+11}{(s-1)(s+3)} = 3\frac{1}{s-1} - 2\frac{1}{s+3}$$

$$\Rightarrow L^{-1}[F(s)] = 3e^t - 2e^{-3t}$$

(b)

$$F(s) = \frac{7s^3-2s^2-3s+6}{s^3(s-2)} = -\frac{3}{s^3} + \frac{1}{s} + \frac{6}{s-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow L^{-1}[F(s)] = -\frac{3}{2}t^2 + 1 + 6e^{2t}$$