

Lecture 18. (More inverse Laplace transforms and applications to $IVP\frac{1}{3}$). ①

Last Time:

Derivatives in s-space: Suppose $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is piecewise continuous of exponential order α .

Then, for $s > \alpha$ and $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ $t^2 \sin(t)$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^n f(t)\}(s) = (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n} (\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}(s)).$$

The inverse Laplace Transform:

Suppose $F(s)$ is a function in a variable s , if it exists, the inverse Laplace transform

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is the unique continuous function such that

if $f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}(t)$ then $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}(s) = F(s)$.

(i)

Determine $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{3s + 2}{s^2 + 2s + 10} \right\}$

We write $\frac{3s + 2}{s^2 + 2s + 10}$

irreducible quadratic
"doesn't into linear terms with real coefficients"

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

$$= \frac{A(s+1) + B \cdot 3}{(s+1)^2 + 9} \quad (\text{Partial fraction decomposition})$$

where A and B are constants.

Multiplying through by $\frac{(s+1)^2 + 9}{(s+1)^2 + 9}$ gives

$$3s + 2 = \frac{A(s+1) + B \cdot 3}{(s+1)^2 + 9}$$

Plug in $s = -1$ we obtain $B = -1/3$

Plug in $s = 0$ we obtain $A = 2 - 3B = 3$

$$So \quad \frac{3s+2}{s^2+2s+10} = 3 \cdot \frac{s+1}{(s+1)^2+3^2} - \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{(s+1)^2+3^2} \quad (ii)$$

$$\text{Hence } \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{3s+2}{s^2+2s+10} \right\} (t)$$

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

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

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

Example: Determine $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{5}{(s+2)^4}\right\}(t)$.

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(iii)

Consulting our table of Laplace transforms we recognize the denominator $(s+2)^4$ in the special case of the formula

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{at} \cdot t^n\}(s) = \frac{n!}{(s-a)^{n+1}},$$

when $a = -2$ and $n = 3$.

Therefore

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3!}{(s+2)^{3+1}}\right\}(t) = \frac{e^{-2t} \cdot t^3}{1}.$$

Applying the linearity properties of \mathcal{L} , we

conclude
$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{5}{(s+2)^4}\right\}(t) = \frac{5}{6} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{6}{(s+2)^4}\right\}(t)$$

$$= \frac{5}{6} \cdot e^{-2t} \cdot t^3.$$

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Question: When does the inverse Laplace transform

$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}(t)$ exist ?

Last Time: If $F(s)$ is not infinitely
differentiable then there does not exist
a continuous function $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such
that $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}(s)$

So $F(s)$ must be infinitely differentiable in order
to have a hope of $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}(t)$ existing.

Theorem: Suppose $P(s)$ and $Q(s)$ are
polynomial functions and assume
 $\deg(P(s)) < \deg(Q(s))$.

If $F(s) = \frac{P(s)}{Q(s)}$ then $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}(t)$ exists.

Proof Sketch: The proof is based on

the existence of a partial fraction decomposition for the function $F(s) = P(s) / Q(s)$.

Recall: If $Q(s)$ can be factored into a product of distinct linear factors,

$$Q(s) = (s - r_1)(s - r_2) \dots (s - r_n)$$

where r_1, \dots, r_n are distinct real numbers,

then $F(s)$ admits a partial fractions decomposition

$$F(s) = \frac{A_1}{s - r_1} + \frac{A_2}{s - r_2} + \dots + \frac{A_n}{s - r_n}$$

where A_1, \dots, A_n are real constants.

So $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}(t) = \underline{A_1 e^{r_1 t} + \dots + A_n e^{r_n t}}$

Example: Determine $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}(t)$ where

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

In this example $Q(s) = \frac{(s+1)(s+2)(s-3)}{(s+1)(s+2)(s-3)}$ factors into distinct linear factors over \mathbb{R} .

So $F(s)$ admits a partial fractions decomposition of the form

$$(*) \quad \frac{7s - 1}{(s+1)(s+2)(s-3)} = \frac{A}{s+1} + \frac{B}{s+2} + \frac{C}{s-3},$$

where $A, B,$ and C are real constants.

To determine the constants $A, B,$ and C multiply equation $(*)$ by $\frac{(s+1)(s+2)(s-3)}{(s+1)(s+2)(s-3)}$ to get

$$(\star) \quad 7s - 1 = \frac{A(s+2)(s-3) + B(s+1)(s-3) + C(s+1)(s+2)}{(s+1)(s+2)(s-3)}$$

By substituting $s = \underline{-1}$, $s = \underline{-2}$, and $s = \underline{3}$ into equation (*) we obtain

$$7 \cdot (-1) - 1 = A \cdot (1) \cdot (-4) + B \cdot 0 + C \cdot 0,$$

$$7 \cdot (-2) - 1 = A \cdot 0 + B \cdot (-1) \cdot (-5) + C \cdot 0,$$

$$7 \cdot (3) - 1 = A \cdot 0 + B \cdot 0 + C \cdot 4 \cdot 5.$$

So $A = \underline{2}$, $B = \underline{-3}$, and $C = \underline{1}$.

Therefore $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{7s - 1}{(s+1)(s+2)(s-3)} \right\} (t)$

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

$$= 2e^{-t} - 3e^{-2t} + e^{3t}.$$

Question: Suppose $P(s)$ and $Q(s)$ are

polynomial functions with $\deg(P) < \deg(Q)$.

How do we calculate $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{P(s)}{Q(s)}\right\}$ in the

case when (i) Q has a repeated linear factor.

(ii) Q has an irreducible quadratic factor.

(i) The case of a repeated linear factor.

If $s - r$ is a factor of $Q(s)$ and

$(s - r)^m$ is the highest power of

$s - r$ that divides $Q(s)$ then the

partial fraction decomposition of $P(s)/Q(s)$

contains a term of the form

$$\frac{A_1}{s-r} + \frac{A_2}{(s-r)^2} + \dots + \frac{A_m}{(s-r)^m}$$

where A_1, \dots, A_m are constants.

Example: Determine $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s^2 + 9s + 2}{(s-1)^2 \cdot (s+3)} \right\} (+)$ ⑧

In this example $Q(s) = \frac{(s-1)^2 \cdot (s+3)}{(s-1)^2 \cdot (s+3)}$ contains $(s-1)$ as a repeated linear factor.

So $\frac{s^2 + 9s + 2}{Q(s)}$ admits a partial fractions

decomposition of the form

$$(*) \quad \frac{s^2 + 9s + 2}{(s-1)^2 (s+3)} = \frac{A}{s-1} + \frac{B}{(s-1)^2} + \frac{C}{s+3}$$

where A , B , and C are constants.

To determine the constants A , B , and C

multiply equation $(*)$ by $\frac{(s-1)^2 \cdot (s+3)}{(s-1)^2 \cdot (s+3)}$ to get

$$(\star) \quad s^2 + 9s + 2 = A(s-1)(s+3) + B \cdot (s+3) + C \cdot (s-1)^2$$

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By substituting $s=1$ and $s=-3$ into

equation (*) we obtain

$$1^2 + 9 \cdot 1 + 2 = A \cdot 0 + B \cdot 4 + C \cdot 0^2$$

$$\text{and } (-3)^2 + 9 \cdot (-3) + 2 = A \cdot 0 + B \cdot 0 + C \cdot (-4)^2$$

$$\text{So } B = \underline{3} \text{ and } C = \underline{-1}.$$

To determine A we substitute $s=0$ into equation (*) which yields

$$0^2 + 9 \cdot 0 + 2 = A \cdot (-3) + B \cdot 3 + C \cdot 1$$

Since $B=3$ and $C=-1$ we conclude that

$$3A = 3B + C - 2 \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{3}(9 - 1 - 2)$$

$$A = \underline{2}. \text{ Hence}$$

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

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

$$= 2 \cdot \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s-1} \right\} (t) + 3 \cdot \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(s-1)^2} \right\} (t) - \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s+3} \right\} (t) \quad (10)$$

$$= 2 \cdot e^t + 3 \cdot t \cdot e^t - e^{-3t} \quad \checkmark$$

(ii) The case of irreducible quadratic factors.

If $(s-\alpha)^2 + \beta^2$ is a factor of $Q(s)$

that cannot be reduced to linear factors

with coefficients in \mathbb{R} and m is the

highest power of $(s-\alpha)^2 + \beta^2$ that divides

$Q(s)$ then the partial fractions decomposition of $Q(s)$ contains a term of the form

$$\frac{A_1(s-\alpha) + \beta \cdot B_1}{(s-\alpha)^2 + \beta^2} + \dots + \frac{A_m(s-\alpha) + \beta \cdot B_m}{[(s-\alpha)^2 + \beta^2]^m}$$

where $A_1, B_1, \dots, A_m, B_m$ are constants.

Example: Determine $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2s^2 + 10s}{(s^2 - 2s + 5)(s+1)} \right\} (t)$. (11)

In this example $Q(s) = (s^2 - 2s + 5)(s+1)$ contains $s^2 - 2s + 5$ as an irreducible quadratic factor.

$$\text{Since } s^2 - 2s + 5 = \underbrace{s^2 - 2s + 1}_{(s-1)^2} + 4 = (s-1)^2 + 2^2, \quad \begin{matrix} \alpha=1, \beta=2 \\ m=1 \end{matrix}$$

We express the partial fractions decomposition as

$$(*) \quad \frac{2s^2 + 10s}{(s^2 - 2s + 5)(s+1)} = \frac{A \cdot (s-1) + B \cdot 2}{(s-1)^2 + 2^2} + \frac{C}{s+1}$$

where $A, B,$ and C are constants.

Multiplying equation (*) by $\frac{(s^2 - 2s + 5)(s+1)}{(s^2 - 2s + 5)(s+1)}$

gives

$$(\star) \quad 2s^2 + 10s = [A \cdot (s-1) + B \cdot 2](s+1) + C \cdot (s^2 - 2s + 5)$$

To determine the constants A, B, and C we begin by substitute $s = -1$ into $(*)$. (12)

This gives $2 - 10 = [A \cdot (-2) + 2 \cdot B](0) + 8C$.

Hence $C = \underline{-1}$.

Next we substitute in $s = 1$ to obtain

$$2 \cdot 1^2 + 10 \cdot 1 = [A \cdot 0 + 2B](2) + 4C.$$

Hence $B = \underline{4}$. $4B + 4C = 12$.

Finally we substitute in $\underline{s = 0}$ to obtain

$$0 = [A \cdot (-1) + 2B](1) + 5C$$

which gives $A = 2B + 5C$
 $= 3$

$$\text{So } \frac{2s^2 + 10s}{(s^2 - 2s + 5)(s+1)} = \frac{3(s-1) + 2 \cdot (4)}{(s-1)^2 + 2^2} - \frac{1}{s+1}.$$

Therefore

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2s^2 + 10s}{(s^2 - 2s + 5)(s + 1)} \right\} (t)$$

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

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

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

$$- \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s+1} \right\} (t)$$

$$= 3e^t \cos(2t) + 4e^t \sin(2t) - e^{-t}$$
