

Section 16: Laplace Transforms of Derivatives and IVPs

Suppose f has a Laplace transform and that f is differentiable on $[0, \infty)$. Obtain an expression for the Laplace transform of $f'(t)$. (Assume f is of exponential order c for some c .)

$$\mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f'(t) dt$$

$$= f(t)e^{-st} \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} -se^{-st} f(t) dt$$

$$= 0 - f(0)e^0 + s \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt}_{\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}}$$

Int by parts

$$u = e^{-st} \quad du = -se^{-st} dt$$

$$v = f(t) \quad dv = f'(t) dt$$

$$= s \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} - f(0)$$

Transforms of Derivatives

If $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$, we have $\mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\} = sF(s) - f(0)$. We can use this relationship recursively to obtain Laplace transforms for higher derivatives of f .

For example

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\{f''(t)\} &= s\mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\} - f'(0) \\ &= s(sF(s) - f(0)) - f'(0) \\ &= s^2F(s) - sf(0) - f'(0)\end{aligned}$$

Transforms of Derivatives

For $y = y(t)$ defined on $[0, \infty)$ having derivatives y' , y'' and so forth, if

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

then

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{dy}{dt}\right\} = sY(s) - y(0),$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}\right\} = s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0),$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^ny}{dt^n}\right\} = s^nY(s) - s^{n-1}y(0) - s^{n-2}y'(0) - \dots - y^{(n-1)}(0).$$

Differential Equation

For constants a , b , and c , take the Laplace transform of both sides of the equation

$$ay'' + by' + cy = g(t), \quad y(0) = y_0, \quad y'(0) = y_1$$

$$\text{Let } \mathcal{L}\{y\} = Y(s) \text{ and } \mathcal{L}\{g\} = G(s)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{ay'' + by' + cy\} = \mathcal{L}\{g\}$$

$$a\mathcal{L}\{y''\} + b\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + c\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{g\}$$

$$a(s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)) + b(sY(s) - y(0)) + cY(s) = G(s)$$

Let's isolate $Y(s)$ using algebra

$$as^2Y(s) - asy(0) - ay'(0) + bsY(s) - by(0) + cY(s) = G(s)$$

$$(as^2 + bs + c)Y(s) - ay_0s - ay_1 - by_0 = G(s)$$

$$(as^2 + bs + c)Y(s) = ay_0s + ay_1 + by_0 + G(s)$$

*characteristic
polynomial*

$$Y(s) = \frac{ay_0s + ay_1 + by_0}{as^2 + bs + c} + \frac{G(s)}{as^2 + bs + c}$$

This is $\mathcal{L}\{y\}$, the solution to the IVP.

To find $y(t)$, take the inverse transform.

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\}.$$

Solving IVPs

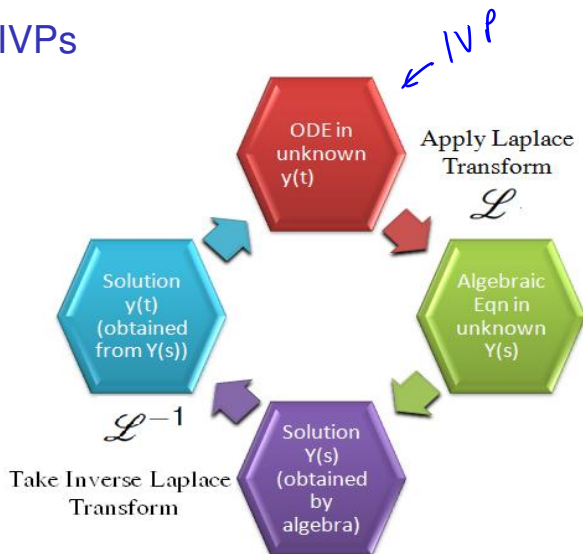


Figure: We use the Laplace transform to turn our DE into an algebraic equation. Solve this transformed equation, and then transform back.

General Form

We get

$$Y(s) = \frac{Q(s)}{P(s)} + \frac{G(s)}{P(s)}$$

where Q is a polynomial with coefficients determined by the initial conditions, G is the Laplace transform of $g(t)$ and P is the **characteristic polynomial** of the original equation.

$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{Q(s)}{P(s)} \right\}$ is called the **zero input response**,

and

$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{G(s)}{P(s)} \right\}$ is called the **zero state response**.

Solve the IVP using the Laplace Transform

$$(a) \quad \frac{dy}{dt} + 3y = 2t \quad y(0) = 2 \quad \mathcal{L}\{y\} = Y(s)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y' + 3y\} = \mathcal{L}\{2t\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 3\mathcal{L}\{y\} = 2\mathcal{L}\{t\}$$

$$sY(s) - y(0) + 3Y(s) = 2\left(\frac{1!}{s^2}\right) = \frac{2}{s^2}$$

$$(s+3)Y(s) - 2 = \frac{2}{s^2}$$

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

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

Partial fraction on $\frac{2}{s^2(s+3)}$

$$\frac{2}{s^2(s+3)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s^2} + \frac{C}{s+3}$$

Clear frac.
mult. by
 $s^2(s+3)$

$$2 = A s(s+3) + B(s+3) + C s^2$$

$$= A(s^2 + 3s) + B(s+3) + C s^2$$

$$0s^2 + 0s + 2 = (A+C)s^2 + (3A+B)s + 3B$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} A+C=0 \\ 3A+B=0 \\ 3B=2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow B = \frac{2}{3}, A = -\frac{2}{9}, C = \frac{2}{9}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} Y(s) &= \frac{2}{s+3} - \frac{2/9}{s} + \frac{2/3}{s^2} + \frac{2/9}{s+3} \\ &= \frac{20/9}{s+3} - \frac{2/9}{s} + \frac{2/3}{s^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{20}{9} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+3}\right\} - \frac{2}{9} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s}\right\} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2}\right\}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{20}{9} e^{-3t} - \frac{2}{9} + \frac{2}{3} t$$

Solve the IVP using the Laplace Transform

$$y'' + 4y' + 4y = te^{-2t} \quad y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$$

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

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'' + 4y' + 4y\} = \mathcal{L}\{te^{-2t}\}$$

$$* \mathcal{L}\{t\} = \frac{1}{s^2}$$

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

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} + 4\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + 4\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{1}{(s+2)^2}$$

$$s^2 Y(s) - s y'(0) - y(0) + 4(s Y(s) - y(0)) + 4Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+2)^2}$$

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

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

$$s^2 + 4s + 4 = (s+2)^2$$

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

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

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

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^3\} = \frac{3!}{s^4} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}\{t^3 e^{-2t}\} = \frac{3!}{(s+2)^4}$$

$$\text{So } y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\}$$

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

$$y(t) = e^{-2t} + 2t e^{-2t} + \frac{1}{6} t^3 e^{-2t}$$