

## 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  $c$ .)

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

Int. by parts

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

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

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

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

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

If  $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$ , then

$$\mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\} = sF(s) - f(0)$$

## 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  $f$ .

Determine  $\mathcal{L}\{f''(t)\}$  in terms of  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$ .

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

## 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

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

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

Take transform of the ODE

$$\mathcal{L}\{ay'' + by' + cy\} = \mathcal{L}\{g(t)\}$$

$$a\mathcal{L}\{y''\} + b\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + c\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{g(t)\}$$

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

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

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

let's isolate  $Y(s)$

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



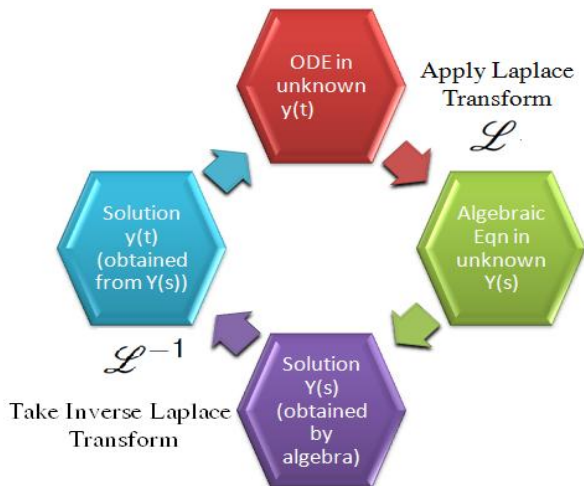
Characteristic polynomial  
for the ODE

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

With  $Y(s)$  known, we can find the solution to the IVP

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

# 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

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + 3y = 2t \quad y(0) = 2$$

Take transform of the ODE

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

We need to find  $y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\}$ . Do a partial frac.

De comp on

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

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 2 &= As(s+3) + B(s+3) + Cs^2 \\ &= A(s^2+3s) + B(s+3) + Cs^2 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$A+C=0$$

$$\Rightarrow C = -A = \frac{2}{9}$$

$$3A+B=0$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -\frac{1}{3}B = -\frac{2}{9}$$

$$3B=2 \Rightarrow B = \frac{2}{3}$$

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

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

Find  $y$  by taking the inverse transform.

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

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

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

## Solve the IVP using the Laplace Transform

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

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

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

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

← Shifting theorem

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\text{Use } \frac{S+4}{(S+2)^2} = \frac{S+2+2}{(S+2)^2} = \frac{S+2}{(S+2)^2} + \frac{2}{(S+2)^2} = \frac{1}{S+2} + \frac{2}{(S+2)^2}$$

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

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

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^4}\right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{3!} \cdot \frac{3!}{s^4}\right\} = \frac{1}{3!} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3!}{s^4}\right\} = \frac{1}{6} t^3$$



$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+2}\right\} + 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(s+2)^2}\right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(s+2)^4}\right\}$$
$$= e^{-2t} + 2te^{-2t} + \frac{1}{6}t^3e^{-2t}$$

The soln. to the IVP is

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