

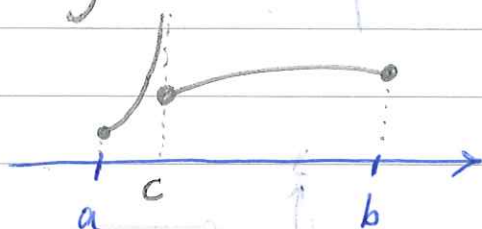
Chapter 1 : Laplace Transform

1.1 The Laplace Transform

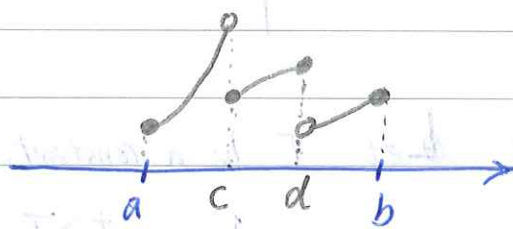
Preliminaries:

Def: A function $y=f(t)$, $t \in [a, b]$ is piecewise continuous, if the number of discontinuous point are finite, and its left and right limits exist at discontinuity point.

Note: Any continuous function is p.w. continuous.



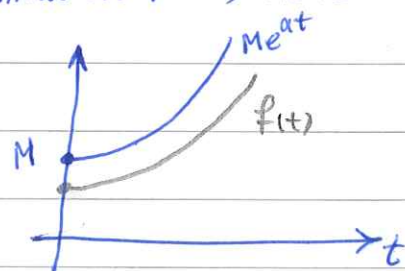
Not p.w. Cont. ($\lim_{t \rightarrow c} f(t) = \infty$)



P.W. Cont.

Def A function $y=f(t)$, $t \geq 0$ is of exponential order if, there exist constants M, a such that:

$$|f(t)| \leq M e^{at}, \quad t \geq 0$$



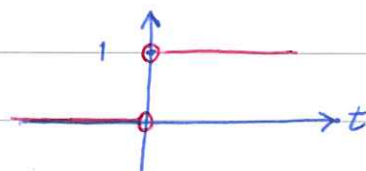
Ex. $f(t) = e^{ct}$, $t \geq 0$ (c is constant)

$f(t) = \sin x$, $t \geq 0$, $f(t) = t^3$, $t \geq 0$, $f(t) = t^{1000}$, $t \geq 0$

Def A function $y=f(t)$ is causal (one-sided) if $f(t)=0$ for $t < 0$.

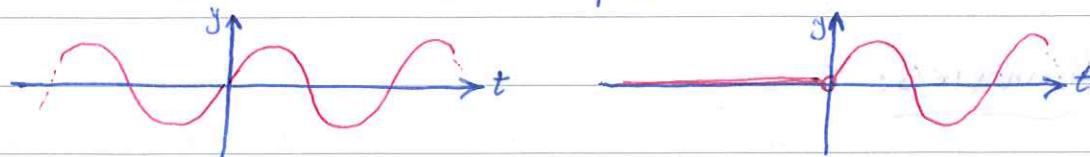
Ex The Heaviside function

$$\theta(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t > 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

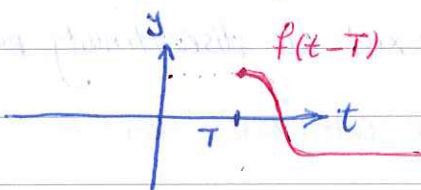
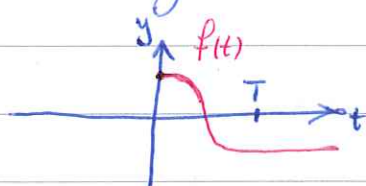


Ex For $f(t) = \sin t$, what is $\theta(t)f(t)$?

$$\theta(t)f(t) = \begin{cases} f(t) & t > 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \sin t & t > 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

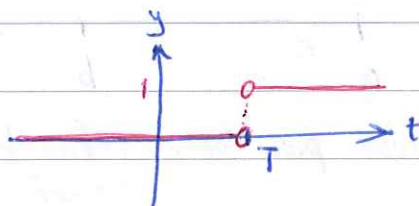


Recall: Shifting a function (independent variable):



Ex Let T be a constant. Then

$$\theta(t-T) = \begin{cases} 1 & t > T \\ 0 & t < T \end{cases}$$



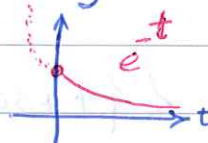
Def: The Laplace transform of $y=f(t)$, $t \geq 0$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt$$

if the integral converges

Ex $\mathcal{L}\{\theta(t)\} = \Theta(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \theta(t)e^{-st} dt = \left[-\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \right]_{t=0}^{\infty} = -\frac{1}{s} \left[e^{-st} \right]_{t=0}^{\infty}$
 $= -\frac{1}{s} \left(\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-st} - e^0 \right) \stackrel{\text{if } s > 0}{=} -\frac{1}{s} (0 - 1) = \frac{1}{s}$

So $\mathcal{L}\{\theta(t)\} = \frac{1}{s}$, $s > 0$



Ex $\mathcal{L}\{e^{ct}\} = ?$ (c is constant) (by default we assume $t \geq 0$)

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{ct}\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{ct} e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{(c-s)t} dt = \left[\frac{1}{c-s} e^{(c-s)t} \right]_{t=0}^{\infty}$$
$$= \frac{1}{c-s} \left[\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{(c-s)t} - e^0 \right] \stackrel{c-s < 0}{=} \frac{1}{c-s} [0 - 1] = \frac{1}{s-c}$$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}\{e^{ct}\} = \frac{1}{s-c}$, $s > c$

Thm: Assume $f(t)$, $t \geq 0$ is p.w. continuous and it is of exponential order. Then its Laplace transform $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$ exists.

Proof. Let M, a be constants such that

$$|f(t)| \leq M e^{at}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-st} dt \leq \int_0^{\infty} |f(t)| e^{-st} dt \leq M \int_0^{\infty} e^{at} e^{-st} dt$$
$$= M \left[\frac{1}{a-s} e^{(a-s)t} \right]_{t=0}^{\infty} \stackrel{a-s < 0}{=} \frac{M}{a-s} (0 - 1) = \frac{M}{s-a} < \infty. \quad \square$$

General Properties of the Laplace Transform

Thm 2 Laplace transform is a linear operator: (a, b are constant)

$$\mathcal{L}\{af(t) + bg(t)\} = a\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} + b\mathcal{L}\{g(t)\}.$$

Proof $\mathcal{L}\{af(t) + bg(t)\} = \int_0^\infty \{af(t) + bg(t)\}e^{-st} dt$
 $= a \int_0^\infty f(t)e^{-st} dt + b \int_0^\infty g(t)e^{-st} dt = a\mathcal{L}\{f\} + b\mathcal{L}\{g\}.$ $\square$

Ex $\mathcal{L}\{4 + 3e^{-2t}\} = 4\mathcal{L}\{1\} + 3\mathcal{L}\{e^{-2t}\} = \frac{4}{s} + 3 \frac{1}{s - (-2)} = \frac{4}{s} + \frac{3}{s+2}$

Ex 3 $\mathcal{L}\{\sinh t\} = ?$, $\mathcal{L}\{\sinh at\} = ?$

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

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sinh at\} = \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{e^{at} - e^{-at}}{2}\right\} = \dots = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{s-a} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{s+a} = \frac{a}{s^2 - a^2}$$

Ex 4 $\mathcal{L}\{\sin wt\} = ?$, $\mathcal{L}\{\cos wt\} = ?$

(Recall: $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$)

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{iwt}\} = \frac{1}{s - iw} = \frac{1}{s - iw} \frac{s + iw}{s + iw} = \frac{s + iw}{s^2 - (iw)^2} \stackrel{i^2 = -1}{=} \frac{s}{s^2 + w^2} + i \frac{w}{s^2 + w^2}$$

also

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{iwt}\} = \mathcal{L}\{\cos wt + i \sin wt\} = \mathcal{L}\{\cos wt\} + i \mathcal{L}\{\sin wt\}$$

Hence $\mathcal{L}\{\cos wt\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + w^2}$, $\mathcal{L}\{\sin wt\} = \frac{w}{s^2 + w^2}$

Thm 3 (Shifting rule) $\mathcal{L}\{e^{ct} f(t)\} = F(s-c)$, for $s > c$.

Proof $\mathcal{L}\{e^{ct} f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{ct} f(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-(s-c)t} dt = F(s-c). \square$

Ex 5 $\mathcal{L}\{3e^{-2t} \cos 5t\} = 3 \mathcal{L}\{e^{-2t} \cos 5t\}$

Since $\mathcal{L}\{\cos 5t\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + 5^2}$

So $\mathcal{L}\{3e^{-2t} \cos 5t\} = 3 \frac{s - (-2)}{(s - (-2))^2 + 25} = \frac{3(s+2)}{(s+2)^2 + 25}$

Thm 4 (Shifting rule) If $f(t-T)$ is zero for $t \leq T$, then
 $\mathcal{L}\{f(t-T)\} = e^{-Ts} F(s)$, for $s > 0$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{f(t-T)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} f(t-T) e^{-st} dt = \int_T^{\infty} f(t-T) e^{-st} dt \\ &= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tau = t - T \\ d\tau = dt \end{array} \right\} = \int_0^{\infty} f(\tau) e^{-s(\tau+T)} d\tau \\ &= e^{-sT} \int_0^{\infty} f(\tau) e^{-s\tau} d\tau, \quad \text{for } s > 0. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Note: For a given $f(t-T)$: $\mathcal{L}\{\theta(t-T) f(t-T)\} = e^{-Ts} F(s)$.

Ex $f(t) = \sin t \cdot \theta(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{f(t-5)\} &= \mathcal{L}\{\theta(t-5) \sin(t-5)\} = e^{-5s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} \\ &\quad \downarrow \\ &\mathcal{L}\{\sin t\} = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} \end{aligned}$$

Thm 5 (Derivative of Laplace transform):

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

Proof $F'(s) = \frac{d}{ds} \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-st} dt$ $\frac{s \text{ and } t \text{ are independent}}{\int_0^{\infty} f(t) \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial s} e^{-st}}_{=-t e^{-st}} dt}$
 $= - \int_0^{\infty} t f(t) e^{-st} dt = -\mathcal{L}\{t f(t)\} \cdot \square$

Note: $\mathcal{L}\{t^n f(t)\} = (-1)^n F^{(n)}(s)$

Ex 6 $\mathcal{L}\{t \sinh t\} = ?$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sinh t\} = \frac{1}{s^2 - 1} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}\{t \sinh t\} = -\left(\frac{1}{s^2 - 1}\right)' = \frac{2s}{(s^2 - 1)^2}$$

Ex $\mathcal{L}\{t e^{2t}\} = ?$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t e^{2t}\} = \frac{1}{s-2} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm 5}} -\left(\frac{1}{s-2}\right)' = \frac{1}{(s-2)^2}$$

 $\mathcal{L}\{t e^{2t}\} = \frac{1}{s^2} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm 3}} \frac{1}{(s-2)^2}$

Thm 6 (Integral of Laplace transform) Let $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(t)}{t} < \infty$. Then

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{t} f(t)\right\} = \int_s^{\infty} F(w) dw$$

Proof. $\int_s^{\infty} F(w) dw = \int_s^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-wt} dt dw = \int_0^{\infty} \int_s^{\infty} f(t) e^{-wt} dw dt$
 $= \int_0^{\infty} f(t) \left(-\frac{1}{t} e^{-wt}\right) \Big|_{w=s}^{\infty} dt = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) \left(-\frac{1}{t}\right) (0 - e^{-st}) dt$
 $= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{t} f(t) e^{-st} dt = \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{t} f(t)\right\} \cdot \square$

Ex 7 $\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\sin t}{t}\right\} = ?$. $\mathcal{L}\{\sin t\} = \frac{1}{s^2+1}$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} = 1$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{t} \sin t\right\} = \int_s^\infty \frac{dw}{w^2+1} = \tan^{-1} w \Big|_{w=s}^\infty = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} s.$$

Note: $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin t}{t} dt = \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin t}{t} e^{-(0)t} dt = \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\sin t}{t}\right\} \Big|_{s=0}$
 $= \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1}(0) = \frac{\pi}{2}$

Thm 7 (Laplace transform of derivative) Let f and f' be ~~non~~ continuous and of exponential order. Then

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

Proof $\mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\} = \int_0^\infty f'(t) e^{-st} dt \xrightarrow{\text{I.P.}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u = e^{-st} \\ dv = f'(t) dt \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} du = -s e^{-st} dt \\ v = f \end{array} \right\}$

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

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

Note: $\mathcal{L}\{f''\} = \mathcal{L}\{(f')'\} = s \mathcal{L}\{f'\} - f'(0) = s(s \mathcal{L}\{f\} - f(0)) - f'(0)$
 $= s^2 F(s) - s f(0) - f'(0)$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f^{(n)}(t)\} = s^n F(s) - s^{n-1} f(0) - s^{n-2} f'(0) - \dots - f^{(n-1)}(0).$$

Thm 8 (Laplace transform of integral) $\mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau\right\} = \frac{F(s)}{s}$.

Proof Set $h(t) = \int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau$. Then $h'(t) = f(t)$ and $h(0) = 0$.

$$\mathcal{L}\{h'\} = \mathcal{L}\{f\} = s \mathcal{L}\{h\} - \underbrace{h(0)}_{=0} = s \mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau\right\} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau\right\} = \frac{F(s)}{s}.$$

1.2 The Inverse Laplace Transform

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

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

Note: $\mathcal{L}^{-1}$ is a linear operator. That is, for constants a, b :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{aF(s) + bG(s)\} &= a\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\} + b\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{G(s)\} \\ &= af(t) + bg(t).\end{aligned}$$

Ex $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2}{s} - \frac{3}{s^2} + \frac{4s}{s^2+1}\right\} = ?$

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

$$= 2\theta(t) - 3t + 4\cos t$$

Ex 8 $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{e^{-s}}{s^2} - \frac{e^{-2s}}{s^4}\right\} = ?$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2}\right\} = t, \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^4}\right\} = \frac{1}{3!}t^3 = \frac{1}{6}t^3$$

$$\Rightarrow ? = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{e^{-s}}{s^2}\right\} - \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{e^{-2s}}{s^4}\right\} = \theta(t-1)(t-1) - \frac{1}{6}\theta(t-2)(t-2)^3$$

1.2.1 Method of Partial Fractions

Consider $F(s) = \frac{Q(s)}{P(s)}$, $\text{degree}(Q) < \text{degree}(P)$

I. $P(s)$ is Quadratic with two distinct real roots:

$$F(s) = \frac{2s-8}{s^2-5s+6} = \frac{2s-8}{(s-2)(s-3)} \xrightarrow{\text{need } A, B} \frac{A}{s-2} + \frac{B}{s-3}$$

$\swarrow$ $s=2, 3$ are roots

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Find } A, B} \frac{A(s-3) + B(s-2)}{(s-2)(s-3)} = \frac{(A+B)s + (-3A-2B)}{(s-2)(s-3)}$$

Hence $\begin{cases} A+B=2 \\ -3A-2B=-8 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A=4 \\ B=-2 \end{cases}$

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

$$= 4e^{2t} - 2e^{3t}$$

II. $P(s)$ is Quadratic with a double root:

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

$$\xrightarrow{\text{need}} \frac{A}{s+2} + \frac{B}{(s+2)^2} = \frac{As + (2A+B)}{(s+2)^2}$$

Hence $\begin{cases} A=1 \\ 2A+B=1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A=1 \\ B=-1 \end{cases}$

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

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

III. $P(s)$ is Quadratic with Complex roots:

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

$$= \frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2+1} - \frac{1}{(s+2)^2+1} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\} = e^{-2t} \cos t - e^{-2t} \sin t$$

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

$$\underline{s^3+s^2+s-1} = s^2(s-1) + (s-1) = (s^2+1)(s-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow F(s) = \frac{s+2}{(s-1)(s^2+1)} \xrightarrow{\text{need}} \frac{A}{s-1} + \frac{Bs+C}{s^2+1}$$

$$\xrightarrow[\text{Find } A, B, C]{\text{Find } \frac{(A+B)s^2 + (C-B)s + (A-C)}{(s-1)(s^2+1)}}$$

Hence $\begin{cases} A+B=0 \\ C-B=1 \\ A-C=2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A=\frac{3}{2} \\ B=-\frac{3}{2} \\ C=-\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$

So

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

$$= \frac{3}{2} e^t - \frac{3}{2} \cos t - \frac{1}{2} \sin t.$$

$$s = \frac{5+z}{1-z} \quad \frac{1-z}{5+z}$$

$$(1-z)(1+z^2) = (1-z) + (1-z)^2 z = 1-z, z+z^2$$

$$\frac{1+z^2}{1+z} + \frac{A}{1-z} = \frac{5+z}{(1+z)(1-z)} \quad \text{Ans}$$

$$(1-z)(1+z^2) + z(1-z) = (1+z^2)(1-z) \quad \text{Ans}$$

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 - A &= 1+z^2 \\ z - A &= 1+z \\ z - A &= 1+z \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} z &= 1+z \\ z &= 1+z \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\left(\frac{1+z^2}{1+z} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{z}{1+z} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{1+z} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{z}{1+z} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1-z}{1+z} \right)^2$$

$$3 \times \frac{1}{2} - 2 \times \frac{5}{2} - \frac{4}{2} =$$

1.3 Applications of Laplace Transforms

Solve IVP and Integral equations.

1. Take the Laplace transform, to obtain an algebraic eq.
2. Solve the algebraic eq.
3. Take the inverse Laplace transform.

1.3.1 IVP

Ex Solve
$$\begin{cases} y'(t) + 2y(t) = 12e^{3t} \\ y(0) = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{y' + 2y\} &= \mathcal{L}\{12e^{3t}\} \\ \Rightarrow s\mathcal{L}\{y\} - y(0) + 2\mathcal{L}\{y\} &= 12 \frac{1}{s-3} \\ \Rightarrow Y(s) = \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\} \quad (s+2)Y(s) &= \frac{12}{s-3} + 3 = \frac{3(1+s)}{s-3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{3(s+1)}{(s+2)(s-3)}$$

To take $\mathcal{L}^{-1}$, we need to decompose $Y(s)$ into partial fractions.

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A+B=3 \\ -3A+2B=3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A=\frac{3}{5} \\ B=\frac{12}{5} \end{cases}$$

Hence
$$Y(s) = \frac{3/5}{s+2} + \frac{12/5}{s-3} \Rightarrow y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\} = \frac{3}{5}e^{-2t} + \frac{12}{5}e^{3t}$$

Ex 10 Solve (for $t > 0$)
$$\begin{cases} y''(t) + 4y'(t) + 3y(t) = 0, \quad t > 0 \\ y(0) = 3, \quad y'(0) = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'' + 4y' + 3y\} = \mathcal{L}\{0\}$$

$$\Rightarrow s^2 Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0) + 4(sY(s) - y(0)) + 3Y(s) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{3s+13}{s^2+4s+3} = \frac{3s+13}{(s+3)(s+1)} = \frac{A}{s+3} + \frac{B}{s+1} = \frac{(A+B)s + A+3B}{(s+3)(s+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A = -2 \\ B = 5 \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$Y(s) = -\frac{2}{s+3} + \frac{5}{s+1} \Rightarrow y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\} = -2e^{-3t} + 5e^{-t}$$

1.3.2 Integral Equations

Ex Solve $\begin{cases} i(t) + \int_0^t i(\tau) d\tau = v(t) \\ i(0) = 0 \end{cases}$

where $v(t) = \theta(t-1) - \theta(t-2)$. ($i(t)$ is the current in an electric RC-circuit.)

$$\mathcal{L}\{i\} + \mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t i(\tau) d\tau\right\} = \mathcal{L}\{\theta(t-1) - \theta(t-2)\}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Thm 8}} I(s) + \frac{I(s)}{s} = \mathcal{L}\{\theta(t-1)\} - \mathcal{L}\{\theta(t-2)\}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Thm 4}} \frac{1+s}{s} I(s) = \frac{e^{-s}}{s} - \frac{e^{-2s}}{s}$$

$$\Rightarrow I(s) = \frac{e^{-s}}{s+1} - \frac{e^{-2s}}{s+1} \Rightarrow i(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{I(s)\} = e^{-(t-1)}\theta(t-1) - e^{-(t-2)}\theta(t-2)$$

Hence

$$i(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 1 \\ -(t-1) & 1 < t < 2 \\ e^{-(t-1)} - e^{-(t-2)} & 2 < t \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & t < 1 \\ ee^{-t} & 1 < t < 2 \\ (e - e^2)e^{-t} & 2 < t \end{cases}$$

Note: To compute $\mathcal{L}\{v(t)\}$, we could also use

$$v(t) = \theta(t-1) - \theta(t-2) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 1 \\ 1 & 1 < t < 2 \\ 0 & 2 < t \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\mathcal{L}\{v(t)\} = V(s) = \int_0^{\infty} v(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_1^2 e^{-st} dt = -\frac{e^{-2s}}{s} + \frac{e^{-s}}{s}.$$

