

Waveform synthesis and Laplace Transform of complex waveforms

The Laplace Transform

Building transform pairs:

$$L[e^{-at}u(t)] = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-at} e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s+a)t} dt$$

$$L[e^{-at}u(t)] = \frac{-e^{-st}}{(s+a)} \Big|_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s+a}$$

A transform

pair

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$$L[tu(t)] = \int_0^{\infty} te^{-st} dt$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} u dv = uv \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} v du$$

$$u = t$$
$$dv = e^{-st} dt$$

$$tu(t) \iff \frac{1}{s^2}$$

A transform pair

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Building transform pairs:

$$\begin{aligned}L[\cos(\omega t)] &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(e^{j\omega t} + e^{-j\omega t})}{2} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{s - j\omega} - \frac{1}{s + j\omega} \right] \\ &= \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\cos(\omega t)u(t) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

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Time Shift

$$L[f(t-a)u(t-a)] = \int_a^{\infty} f(t-a)e^{-st}$$

Let $x = t - a$, then $dx = dt$ and $t = x + a$

As $t \rightarrow a$, $x \rightarrow 0$ and as $t \rightarrow \infty$, $x \rightarrow \infty$. So,

$$\int_0^{\infty} f(x)e^{-s(x+a)} dx = e^{-as} \int_0^{\infty} f(x)e^{-sx} dx$$

$$L[f(t-a)u(t-a)] = e^{-as} F(s)$$

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Frequency Shift

$$\begin{aligned}L[e^{-at} f(t)] &= \int_0^{\infty} [e^{-at} f(t)] e^{-st} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-(s+a)t} dt = F(s+a)\end{aligned}$$

$$L[e^{-at} f(t)] = F(s+a)$$

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Example: Using Frequency Shift

Find the $L[e^{-at}\cos(\omega t)]$

In this case, $f(t) = \cos(\omega t)$ so,

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

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Time Differentiation:

If the $L[f(t)] = F(s)$, we want to show:

$$L\left[\frac{df(t)}{dt}\right] = sF(s) - f(0)$$

Integrate by parts:

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

$$dv = \frac{df(t)}{dt} dt = df(t), \quad \text{so } v = f(t)$$

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Time Differentiation:

Making the previous substitutions gives,

$$\begin{aligned} L\left[\frac{df}{dt}\right] &= f(t)e^{-st} \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} f(t) \left[-se^{-st}\right] dt \\ &= 0 - f(0) + s \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt \end{aligned}$$

So we have shown:

$$L\left[\frac{df(t)}{dt}\right] = sF(s) - f(0)$$