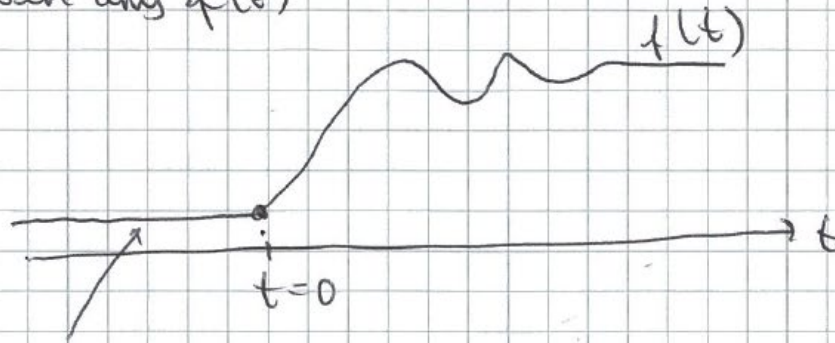


# DEFINITION LAPLACE TRANSFORM

## Laplace transforms

Given any  $f(t)$



Usually at steady state for  $t < 0$

Laplace transform of  $f(t)$

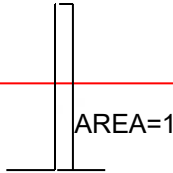
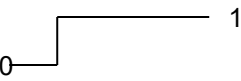
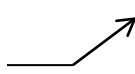
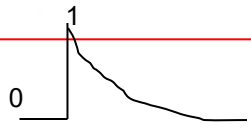
$$F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-st} dt$$

I usually misuse notation and write  $f(s)$

" $f(t)$  weighted with  $e^{-st}$  and then integrated from  $t=0$  to  $\infty$  so that  $s$  becomes new independent variable instead of time  $t$ "

$s$  [ $\text{time}^{-1}$ ]: Complex number (new indep. variable instead of  $t$ )

Table 3.1 Laplace Transforms for Various Time-Domain Functions<sup>a</sup>

$f(t)$		$F(s)$
1. $\delta(t)$ (unit impulse)		1
2. $S(t)$ (unit step)		$\frac{1}{s}$
3. $t$ (ramp)		$\frac{1}{s^2}$
4. $t^{n-1}$		$\frac{(n-1)!}{s^n}$
5. $e^{-bt}$		$\frac{1}{s+b}$
6. $\frac{1}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau}$		$\frac{1}{\tau s + 1}$
7. $\frac{t^{n-1} e^{-bt}}{(n-1)!}$ ( $n > 0$ )		$\frac{1}{(s+b)^n}$
8. $\frac{1}{\tau^n (n-1)!} t^{n-1} e^{-t/\tau}$		$\frac{1}{(\tau s + 1)^n}$
9. $\frac{1}{b_1 - b_2} (e^{-b_2 t} - e^{-b_1 t})$		$\frac{1}{(s+b_1)(s+b_2)}$

Rule exponential ( $e^{-bt}$ ):  
Opposite sign in Laplace

Table 3.1 Laplace Transforms for Various Time-Domain Functions<sup>a</sup>

$f(t)$	$F(s)$
10. $\frac{1}{\tau_1 - \tau_2} (e^{-t/\tau_1} - e^{-t/\tau_2})$	$\frac{1}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)}$
11. $\frac{b_3 - b_1}{b_2 - b_1} e^{-b_1 t} + \frac{b_3 - b_2}{b_1 - b_2} e^{-b_2 t}$	$\frac{s + b_3}{(s + b_1)(s + b_2)}$
12. $\frac{1}{\tau_1} \frac{\tau_1 - \tau_3}{\tau_1 - \tau_2} e^{-t/\tau_1} + \frac{1}{\tau_2} \frac{\tau_2 - \tau_3}{\tau_2 - \tau_1} e^{-t/\tau_2}$	$\frac{\tau_3 s + 1}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)}$
13. $1 - e^{-t/\tau}$	$\frac{1}{s(\tau s + 1)}$
14. $\sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
15. $\cos \omega t$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
16. $\sin(\omega t + \phi)$	$\frac{\omega \cos \phi + s \sin \phi}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
17. $e^{-bt} \sin \omega t$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\omega}{(s + b)^2 + \omega^2} \\ \frac{s + b}{(s + b)^2 + \omega^2} \end{array} \right.$
18. $e^{-bt} \cos \omega t$	
$b, \omega$ real	
19. $\frac{1}{\tau \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}} e^{-\zeta t/\tau} \sin(\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} t/\tau)$ ( $0 \leq  \zeta  < 1$ )	$\frac{1}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta \tau s + 1}$

Note: This is step response of first-order system

# Table 3.1 Laplace Transforms for Various Time-Domain Functions<sup>a</sup> (continued)

$f(t)$	$F(s)$
20. $1 + \frac{1}{\tau_2 - \tau_1} (\tau_1 e^{-t/\tau_1} - \tau_2 e^{-t/\tau_2})$ $(\tau_1 \neq \tau_2)$	$\frac{1}{s(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)}$
21. $1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}} e^{-\zeta t/\tau} \sin[\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} t/\tau + \psi]$ $\psi = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}}{\zeta}, \quad (0 \leq  \zeta  < 1)$	$\frac{1}{s(\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1)}$
22. $1 - e^{-\zeta t/\tau} [\cos(\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} t/\tau)$ $+ \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}} \sin(\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} t/\tau)]$ $(0 \leq  \zeta  < 1)$	$\frac{1}{s(\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta\tau s + 1)}$
23. $1 + \frac{\tau_3 - \tau_1}{\tau_1 - \tau_2} e^{-t/\tau_1} + \frac{\tau_3 - \tau_2}{\tau_2 - \tau_1} e^{-t/\tau_2}$ $(\tau_1 \neq \tau_2)$	$\frac{\tau_3 s + 1}{s(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)}$
24. $\frac{df}{dt}$	$sF(s) - f(0)$
25. $\frac{d^n f}{dt^n}$	$s^n F(s) - s^{n-1} f(0) - s^{n-2} f^{(1)}(0) - \dots$ $- s f^{(n-2)}(0) - f^{(n-1)}(0)$
26. $f(t - t_0)S(t - t_0)$	$e^{-t_0 s} F(s)$

Alternative forms of step response for 2nd order system

Laplace of derivatives

<sup>a</sup>Note that  $f(t)$  and  $F(s)$  are defined for  $t \geq 0$  only.

Transfer function for time delay  $\mu$  is  $e^{-\mu s}$

# Laplace Transform

$$\text{Definition*}: F(s) = L(f(t)) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt$$

Usually  $f(t)$  is in deviation variables so  $f(t=0) = 0$

## Examples

1.  $f(t) = \delta(t)$  (impulse).  $f(s) = 1$

2.  $f(t) = a$  (step change)

$$f(s) = \int_0^{\infty} a e^{-st} dt = -\frac{a}{s} \left[ e^{-st} \right]_0^{\infty} = 0 - \left[ -\frac{a}{s} \right] = \frac{a}{s}$$

$a/s = \text{Laplace of step } a$

5.  $f(t) = e^{-bt}$

$$f(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-bt} e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(b+s)t} dt = \frac{1}{b+s} \left[ -e^{-(b+s)t} \right]_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s+b}$$

\* Will often misuse notation and write  $f(s)$  instead of  $F(s)$

Most important property for us.  
Laplace of derivative.

$$L\left(\frac{df}{dt}\right) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{df}{dt} e^{-st} dt = sL(f) - f(0) = s F(s) - f(0)$$

Differentiation: replaced by multiplication with  $s$   
Integration: replaced by multiplication with  $1/s$

Proof: 
$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{df}{dt} e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} df$$

Set  $v=e^{-st}$  and  $du=df$  and use integration by parts

# Other properties of Laplace transform:

## A. Final value theorem

$$y(t = \infty) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sY(s)$$

“steady-state value”

Example:  $Y(s) = \frac{1}{\tau s + 1} \frac{a}{s}$

$$y(\infty) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{a}{\tau s + 1} = a$$

Comment (relevant to step responses):

If  $Y(s) = g(s)/s$  then  $y(t=\infty)=g(0)$

## B. Initial value theorem

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} y(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s Y(s)$$

Example

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

$$y(0) = 4$$

by initial value theorem  
(multiply  $Y(s)$  by  $s$  and set  $s=1$  )

$$y(\infty) = 2$$

by final value theorem  
(multiply  $Y(s)$  by  $s$  and set  $s=0$ )

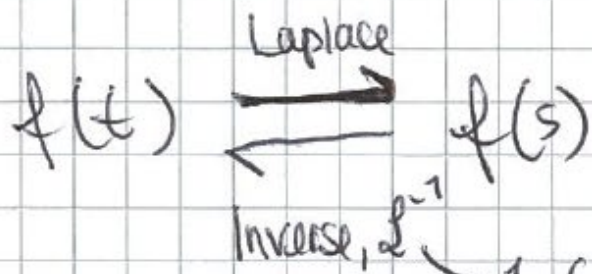
## C. Initial slope property

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} y'(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^2 Y(s)$$



# Comment on notation

	Sigurd	Book (Seborg)
	$y(t)$	$y(t)$
Steady-state value	$y^*$	$\bar{y}$
Deviation	$\Delta y = y - y^*$	$y' = y - \bar{y}$
Laplace of $\Delta y(t)$	$y(s)$	$Y(s)$



1. Complex contour integration

2. Split into sum of simple terms where  $f(t)$  is known (partial fraction expansion)

## Example 3.2:

$$\frac{d^3 y}{dt^3} + 6 \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 11 \frac{dy}{dt} + 6y = 4$$

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$$y(0) = y'(0) = y''(0) = 0$$

$y$  is deviation variable, system initially at rest (s.s.)

To find transient response for  $y(t)$

1. Take Laplace Transform (L.T.)
2. Factor, use partial fraction decomposition
3. Take inverse L.T.    Use table

**Step 1**    Take L.T. (note zero initial conditions)

$$s^3 Y(s) + 6s^2 Y(s) + 11s Y(s) + 6Y(s) = \frac{4}{s}$$

Rearranging,

$$Y(s) = \frac{4}{(s^3 + 6s^2 + 11s + 6)s}$$

**Step 2a.** Factor denominator of Y(s)

$$s(s^3 + 6s^2 + 11s + 6) = s(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)$$

**Step 2b.** Use partial fraction decomposition

$$\frac{4}{s(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)} = \frac{\alpha_1}{s} + \frac{\alpha_2}{s+1} + \frac{\alpha_3}{s+2} + \frac{\alpha_4}{s+3}$$

Multiply by s, set s = 0

$$\left. \frac{4}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)} \right|_{s=0} = \alpha_1 + s \left[ \frac{\alpha_2}{s+1} + \frac{\alpha_3}{s+2} + \frac{\alpha_4}{s+3} \right] \Bigg|_{s=0}$$

$$\frac{4}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} = \alpha_1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

For  $\alpha_2$ , multiply by  $(s+1)$ , set  $s=-1$  (same procedure for  $\alpha_3, \alpha_4$ )

$$\alpha_2 = -2, \alpha_3 = 2, \alpha_4 = -\frac{2}{3}$$

**Step 3.** Take inverse of L.T.  $(Y(s) = \frac{2}{3s} - \frac{2}{s+1} + \frac{2}{s+2} - \frac{2/3}{s+3})$

Use table:

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

$$t \rightarrow \infty : y(t) \rightarrow \frac{2}{3} \quad t = 0 : y(0) = 0. \quad (\text{check original ODE})$$

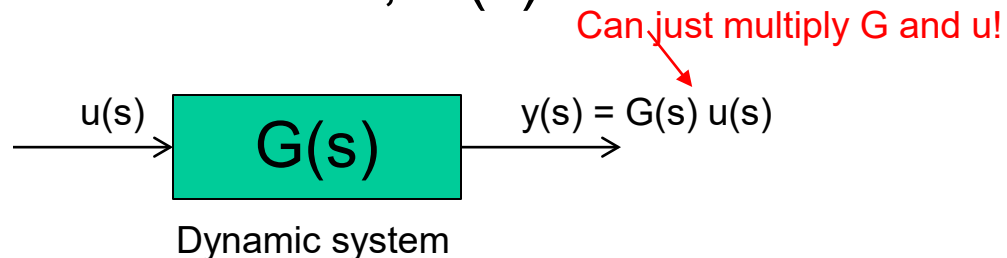
You can use this method on any order of ODE, limited only by factoring of denominator polynomial (characteristic equation)

Must use modified procedure for repeated roots, imaginary roots

# Use of Laplace Transforms in control

1. Standard notation in dynamics and control for linear systems (shorthand notation)
  - Independent variable: Change from  $t$  (time) to  $s$  (complex variable; inverse time)
  - Just a mathematical change in variables: Like going from  $x$  to  $y=\log(x)$
2. Converts differential equations to algebraic operations
3. Advantageous for block diagram analysis.

**Transfer function,  $G(s)$ :**



# General procedure in this course

1. Nonlinear dynamic model
2. Steady state model: Use to find missing data
3. Introduce deviation variables and linearize\*
4. Laplace of both sides of linear model ( $t \rightarrow s$ )
5. Algebra ! Transfer function,  $G(s)$
6. Block diagram
7. Controller design

\*Note: We will only use Laplace for linear systems!