

6.2 Solution of Initial Value Problems

Thm. Suppose that f is continuous, f' is piecewise continuous. Suppose there exist constants k, a and M such that $|f(t)| \leq k e^{at}$ for $t \geq M$.

Then, $\mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\}$ exists for $s > a$ and

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

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

$$u = e^{-st} \quad dv = f'(t) dt$$
$$du = -s e^{-st} dt \quad v = f(t)$$

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

$$= -f(0) + s F(s)$$

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

$$\mathcal{L}\{f''(t)\} = s^2 F(s) - sf'(0) - f''(0)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f'''(t)\} = s^3 F(s) - s^2 f'(0) - sf''(0) - f'''(0)$$

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

Ex. Solve the I.V.P.

$$y'' - y' - 2y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} - \mathcal{L}\{y'\} - 2\mathcal{L}\{y\} = 0, \quad \text{Let } Y(s) = \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\}$$

$$s^2 Y(s) - \underbrace{sy(0)}_1 - \underbrace{y'(0)}_0 - [sY(s) - \underbrace{y(0)}_1] - 2Y(s) = 0$$

$$(s^2 - s - 2)Y(s) - s + 1 = 0$$

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

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

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

Ex. Solve the I.V.P. $y'' + y = \sin(2t)$, $y(0) = 2$, $y'(0) = 1$

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

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

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

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

$$\frac{2}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{as + b}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{cs + d}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$2 = (as + b)(s^2 + 4) + (s^2 + 1)(cs + d)$$

$$2 = as^3 + 4as + bs^2 + 4b + cs^3 + ds^2 + cs + d.$$

$$a + c = 0 \quad , \quad 4a + c = 0 \Rightarrow a = c = 0$$

$$b + d = 0 \quad , \quad 4b + d = 2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow d = -b, \quad 3b = 2 \Rightarrow b = 2/3$$

$$d = -2/3$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{2/3}{s^2+1} - \frac{2/3}{s^2+4} + \frac{2s}{s^2+1} + \frac{1}{s^2+1}$$

$$= \frac{5}{3} \frac{1}{s^2+1} + 2 \frac{s}{s^2+1} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{2}{s^2+4}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{5}{3} \sin t + 2 \cos t - \frac{1}{3} \sin(2t).$$

Ex. Solve the 4th order I.V.P

$$y^{(4)} - y = 0, y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1, y''(0) = 0, y'''(0) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y^{(4)}\} - \mathcal{L}\{y\} = 0$$

$$s^4 Y(s) - \underbrace{s^3 y(0)}_0 - \underbrace{s^2 y'(0)}_1 - \underbrace{s y''(0)}_0 - \underbrace{y'''}_0 - Y(s) = 0$$

$$(s^4 - 1)Y(s) = s^2$$

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

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{2} \sinh t + \frac{1}{2} \sin t.$$

$$21. y'' + 2y' + y = 4e^{-t}, \quad y(0) = 2, \quad y'(0) = -1$$

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

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

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

$$(s+1)^2 Y(s) - 2s - 3 = \frac{4}{s+1}$$

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

$$= \frac{4 + (2s+3)(s+1)}{(s+1)^3} = \frac{2s^2 + 5s + 7}{(s+1)^3}$$

$$\frac{2s^2 + 5s + 7}{(s+1)^3} = \frac{a}{s+1} + \frac{b}{(s+1)^2} + \frac{c}{(s+1)^3}$$

$$2s^2 + 5s + 7 = a(s+1)^2 + b(s+1) + c$$

$$s = -1 \Rightarrow 4 = c$$

$$\text{diff. } 4s + 5 = 2a(s+1) + b$$

$$s = -1 \Rightarrow 1 = b$$

$$4 = 2a \Rightarrow a = 2$$

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

$$y(t) = 2e^{-t} + te^{-t} + 2t^2 e^{-t}$$

$$28. F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

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

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

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

$$F''(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} t^2 f(t) dt$$

$$= \mathcal{L}\{t^2 f(t)\}$$

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

$$\text{ex. } \mathcal{L}\{e^{-t}\} = \frac{1}{s+1}$$

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

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^2 e^{-t}\} = \left(\frac{1}{s+1}\right)'' = \left(\frac{-1}{(s+1)^2}\right)' = \frac{2}{(s+1)^3}$$

$$37. \quad g(t) = \int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau, \quad \text{Find } G(s).$$

$$g(0) = 0.$$

$$g'(t) = f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}\{g'(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$$

$$sG(s) - g(0) = F(s)$$

$$sG(s) - 0 = F(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow G(s) = \frac{F(s)}{s}.$$