

Chapter 3:

Laplace Transform



3.1: Definition :

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

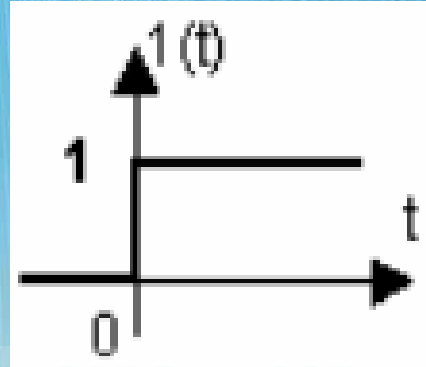
- **f(t) : original function.**
- **F(s) : Laplace transform.**

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❖ Example 1: Find Laplace Transform ?

Unit Step Function $u(t)$ or $1(t)$:

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 \leftrightarrow \text{for } t > 0 \\ 0 \leftrightarrow \text{for } t < 0 \end{cases}$$

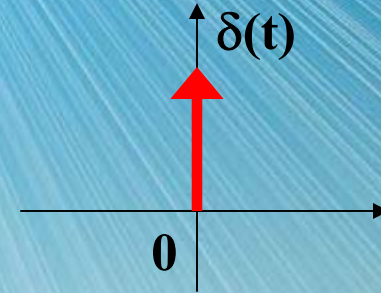


$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = \left. \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right|_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s}$$

❖ Example2: Find Laplace Transform ?

Impulse or Delta or Dirac Function $\delta(t)$:

$$\delta(t) = \begin{cases} \infty & \leftrightarrow \text{for } t = 0 \\ 0 & \leftrightarrow \text{for } t \neq 0 \end{cases}$$



$$\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-st} dt = e^0 = 1$$

3.2: Properties of Laplace Transform :

1) Multiplication by a constant :

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

Then: $\mathcal{L}\{k.f(t)\} = k.F(s)$

2) Addition / Subtraction:

If: $\mathcal{L}\{f_1(t)\} = F_1(s)$ and $\mathcal{L}\{f_2(t)\} = F_2(s)$

Then: $\mathcal{L}\{f_1(t) \pm f_2(t)\} = F_1(s) \pm F_2(s)$

3) Translation in Time-domain:



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

Then: $\mathcal{L}\{f(t - t_0).u(t - t_0)\} = F(s).e^{-st_0}$

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4) Translation in frequency-domain:



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

Then: $\mathcal{L}\{f(t).e^{-at}\} = F(s + a)$

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5) Scale Changing:



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

Then:

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(at)\} = \frac{1}{a} F\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$$

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6) Differentiation:



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

Then: $\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{df(t)}{dt}\right\} = sF(s) - f(0)$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2f(t)}{dt^2}\right\} = s^2F(s) - s.f(0) - f'(0)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f^{(n)}(t)\} = s^n F(s) - s^{n-1}.f(0) - \dots - f^{(n-1)}(0)$$

7) Integration:



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

Then:

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t f(x)dx\right\} = \frac{F(s)}{s}$$

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8) Multiplication by t :

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

Then: $\mathcal{L}\{t.f(t)\} = -\frac{dF(s)}{ds}$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^n.f(t)\} = (-1)^n \frac{d^n F(s)}{ds^n}$$

9) Division by t :

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

Then:

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{f(t)}{t}\right\} = \int_s^{\infty} F(x)dx$$

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10) Periodic signal :

$$f(t) = f_1(t) + f_2(t) + f_3(t) + \dots$$

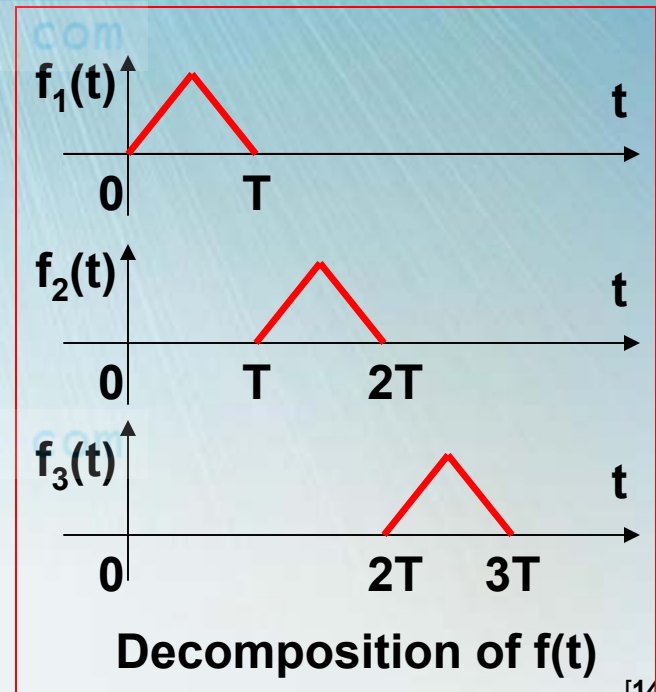
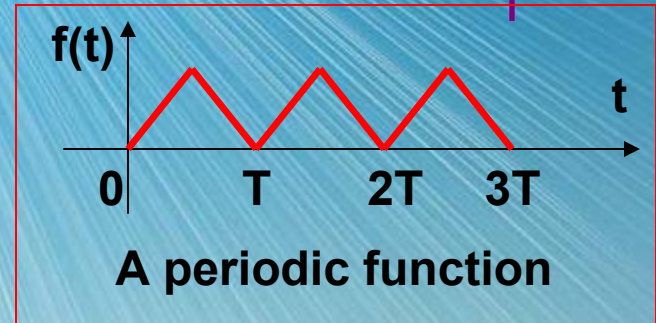
$$= f_1(t) + f_1(t-T)u(t-T) + f_1(t-2T)u(t-2T) + \dots$$

$$F(s) = F_1(s) + F_1(s).e^{-sT} + F_1(s).e^{-s2T} + \dots$$

Then:

$$F(s) = \frac{F_1(s)}{1 - e^{-sT}}$$

$F_1(s)$ = Laplace Transform over first period only.



11) Initial Value Theorem :



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

Then: $f(0^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (s.F(s))$

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12) Final Value Theorem :



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

Then: $f(\infty) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} (s.F(s))$

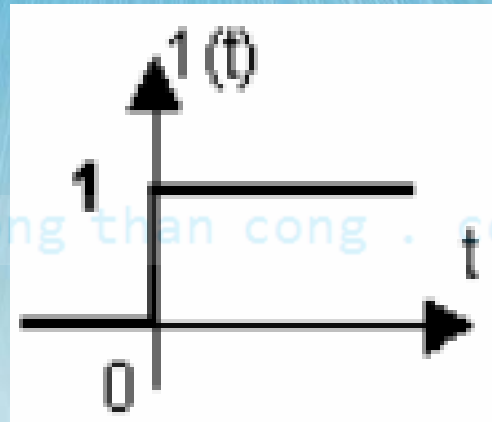
Attention: all poles of $F(s)$ must be located in the left half of the s -plane, except $s = 0$.

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3.3: Laplace Transform of Fundamental functions :

1) Unit Step Function $u(t)$ or $1(t)$:

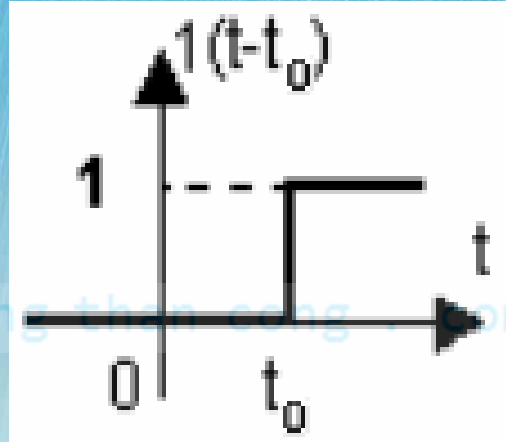
$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } t > 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } t < 0 \end{cases}$$



$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = \frac{1}{s}$$

2) Translated unit step $u(t - t_0)$:

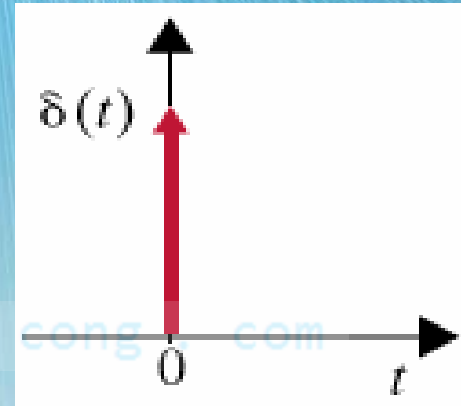
$$u(t - t_0) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } t > t_0 \\ 0 & \text{for } t < t_0 \end{cases}$$



$$\mathcal{L}\{u(t - t_0)\} = \frac{1}{s} e^{-st_0}$$

3) Impulse or Delta Function $\delta(t)$:

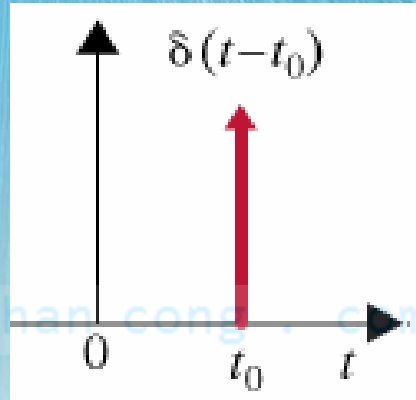
$$\delta(t) = u'(t) = \begin{cases} 0 \leftrightarrow \text{for } t \neq 0 \\ \infty \leftrightarrow \text{for } t = 0 \end{cases}$$



$$\int \delta(t) dt = 1$$

4) Translated Delta Function $\delta(t - t_0)$:

$$\delta(t - t_0) = \begin{cases} 0 \leftrightarrow \text{for } t \neq t_0 \\ \infty \leftrightarrow \text{for } t = t_0 \end{cases}$$



$$\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t - t_0)\} = e^{-st_0}$$

5) Decaying Exponential Function e^{-at} :

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{-at}\} = \frac{1}{s + a}$$

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6) Sinusoidal Function :

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos(\omega t)\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sin(\omega t)\} = \frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

7) Power Function :

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^n\} = \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$$

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3.4: Laplace Transform Pairs :

$\delta(t)$	1
$u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$
e^{-at}	$\frac{1}{s+a}$
t	$\frac{1}{s^2}$
t^n	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$

f(t)

F(s)

$$te^{-at}$$

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

$$\sin(\omega t)$$

$$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$\cos(\omega t)$$

$$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$\cos(\omega t + \theta)$$

$$\frac{s \cos \theta - \omega \sin \theta}{s^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$e^{-at} \sin(\omega t)$$

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

3.5: Methods of Finding Laplace Trans:

1) Direct Method :

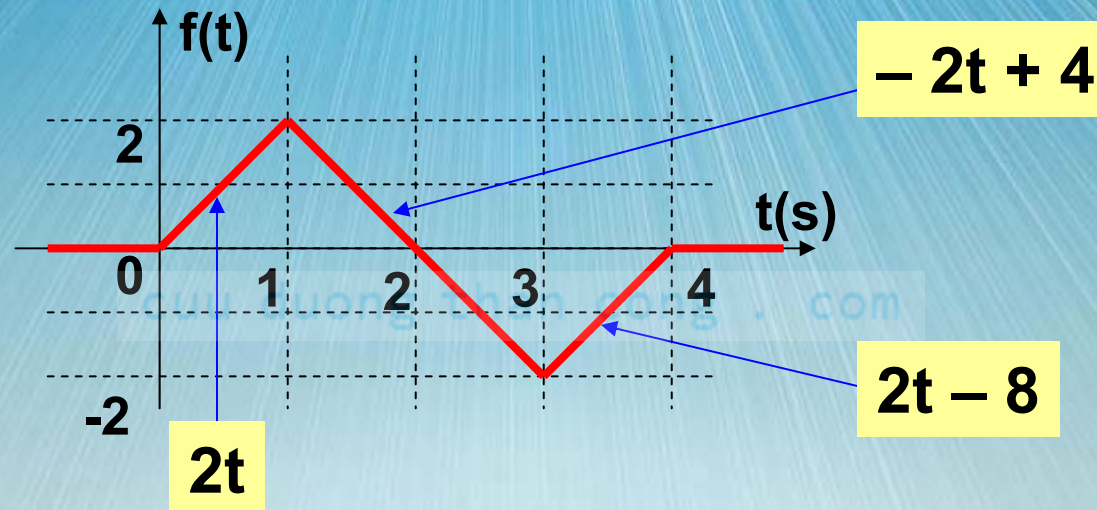
2) Use of Tables :

3) Series Method : Let $f(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + \dots$

Then:
$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{a_0}{s} + \frac{1!a_1}{s^2} + \frac{2!a_2}{s^3} + \dots$$

4) Use unit step functions to represent a Finite Function :

Use step functions to write an expression for the function:



The expression for $f(t)$ is :

$$f(t) = 2t[u(t) - u(t - 1)] + (-2t + 4)[u(t - 1) - u(t - 3)] + (2t - 8)[u(t - 3) - u(t - 4)]$$

■ *Need to change for using the table of Laplace Transform Pairs.*

3.6: MATLAB to find Laplace Trans:

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syms s t ;  
Fs = laplace(sin(4t));
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