

Section 5.6 Convolution

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System transfer function

$$\phi(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{F(s)}$$

f(t) known input
y(t) known output

$\hat{f}(t)$ New input, what is the new output $\hat{y}(t)$?

$$\hat{Y}(s) = \phi(s) \hat{F}(s)$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ \hat{Y}(s) \} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ \phi(s) \hat{F}(s) \}$$

Convolution integral

Two function $f(t)$ & $g(t)$ with

Laplace transforms $F(s)$ & $G(s)$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ F(s) G(s) \} = \underbrace{(f * g)(t)}_{= \int_0^t f(t-\lambda) g(\lambda) d\lambda}$$

Ex) $\underbrace{e^{3t} * e^{-t}}_{f \quad g} = \int_0^t e^{3(t-\lambda)} e^{-\lambda} d\lambda$

$$= \int_0^t e^{3t-3\lambda} e^{-\lambda} d\lambda$$

$$u = 3t - 4\lambda \quad = -\frac{1}{4} \int_{-4}^{3t} e^{3t-4\lambda} d\lambda$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= 3t - 4\lambda \\
 du &= -4 d\lambda
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 \begin{aligned}
 &= -\frac{1}{4} \int_{\lambda=0}^{\lambda=t} e^{3t-4\lambda} (-4 d\lambda) \\
 &= -\frac{1}{4} \left[e^{3t-4\lambda} \right]_{\lambda=0}^{\lambda=t} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{4} [e^{-t} - e^{3t}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{OR } e^{3t} * e^{-t} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \mathcal{L}\{e^{3t}\} \mathcal{L}\{e^{-t}\} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}\{e^{\alpha t}\} &= \frac{1}{s-\alpha} \\
 \mathcal{L}\{e^{3t}\} &= \frac{1}{s-3} \quad \mathcal{L}\{e^{-t}\} = \frac{1}{s+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{3t} * e^{-t} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(s-3)(s+1)} \right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{(s-3)} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{(s+1)} \right\}$$

$$\frac{1}{(s-3)(s+1)} = \frac{A}{s-3} + \frac{B}{s+1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} e^{3t} - \frac{1}{4} e^{-t}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= A(s+1) + B(s-3) \\
 s=-1 \quad 1 &= -4B \quad B = -\frac{1}{4} \\
 s=3 \quad 1 &= 4A \quad A = \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \left. \begin{array}{l} u = t - \lambda \quad dv = \cos(5\lambda) d\lambda \\ du = -d\lambda \quad v = \frac{1}{5} \sin(5\lambda) \end{array} \right\} = \frac{1}{5} (t - \lambda) \sin(5\lambda) + \frac{1}{25} \int_0^t \sin(5\lambda) (-d\lambda) \\ & \quad = \frac{1}{5} (t - \lambda) \sin 5\lambda \Big|_0^t - \frac{1}{25} \cos(5\lambda) \Big|_0^t \\ & \quad = \frac{1}{5} (t - t) \sin 5t - \frac{1}{25} \cos(5t) - \left[\frac{1}{5} t \cancel{\sin(0)} - \frac{1}{25} \cancel{\cos(0)} \right] \\ & \quad = -\frac{1}{25} \cos(5t) + \frac{1}{25} \\ & = \left\{ \frac{1}{s^2}, \frac{5}{s^2 + 25} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

A spring/mass/dashpot system has mass 1 kg, damping constant 8 kg/sec and spring constant 12 kg per sq sec. The system starts at rest and then has an external force of e^{-5t} Newtons applied after t seconds. The IVP below models the system:

$$x'' + 8x' + 12x = e^{-5t} \quad x(0) = 0, \quad x'(0) = 0$$

The Laplace transform of the IVP has solution $Y(s) = F(s) \cdot \Phi(s)$ where $F(s)$ represents the Laplace transform of the forcing term e^{-5t} and $\Phi(s)$ represents the transfer function.

$$\Phi(s) = \quad \text{Preview}$$

The weight function $w(t)$ is the inverse Laplace transform of the transfer function.

$$w(t) = L^{-1}(\Phi(s)) \quad \text{Preview}$$

The solution to the IVP is the convolution of the forcing term with the weight function.

$$f(t)*w(t) = \quad \text{Preview}$$

$$\mathcal{L} \{ x'' + 8x' + 12x \} = \mathcal{L} \{ e^{-5t} \}$$

$$s^2 X(s) + 8s X(s) + 12X(s) = \frac{1}{s+5}$$

$$X(s) = \left(\frac{1}{s^2 + 8s + 12} \right) \left(\frac{1}{s+5} \right) = \phi(s) F(s)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\phi(s)\} = \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{(s+6)(s+2)}\right\} = \left\{\frac{A}{s+6} + \frac{B}{s+2}\right\}$$

$$w(t) = A e^{-6t} + B e^{-2t} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Find } A \& B}$$

$$y(t) = f(t) * w(t) = \int_0^t e^{-s(t-\lambda)} \left[A e^{-6\lambda} + B e^{-2\lambda} \right] d\lambda$$

$$= \int_0^t A e^{-s(t-\lambda)} e^{-6\lambda} d\lambda + \int_0^t B e^{-s(t-\lambda)} e^{-2\lambda} d\lambda$$