

$$\therefore \hat{y} = \frac{1}{(s^2+1)} + \frac{1}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{(s^2+1)} - \frac{e^{-s}}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{(s^2+1)}$$

Inverting gives

$$y(t) = \sin t + (1 * \sin t) - (H(t-1) * \sin t)$$

$$= \sin t + \int_{\tau=0}^t \sin \tau d\tau - \int_{\tau=0}^t \sin(t-\tau) H(\tau-1) d\tau$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{=} \sin t + [-\cos \tau]_{\tau=0}^t - H(t-1) \int_{\tau=1}^t \sin(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$= \sin t + 1 - \cos t - H(t-1) [\cos(t-\tau)]_{\tau=1}^t$$

$$= 1 - \cos t + \sin t - H(t-1) (1 - \cos(t-1))$$

(\*) Note:  $\int_{\tau=0}^t \sin(t-\tau) H(\tau-1) d\tau = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t \leq 1 \\ \int_{\tau=1}^t \sin(t-\tau) d\tau & \text{if } t > 1 \end{cases}$  □

3. Solve  $\ddot{x}(t) + \omega^2 x(t) = g(t)$ ,  $x(0) = \dot{x}(0) = 0$

Taking h.T. of ODE:

$$s^2 \hat{x} - s \overset{=0}{x(0)} - \overset{=0}{\dot{x}(0)} + \omega^2 \hat{x} = \hat{g}$$

$$\therefore \hat{x}(s) = \frac{\hat{g}(s)}{(s^2 + \omega^2)} \equiv \hat{f}(s) \hat{g}(s), \text{ where } \hat{f}(s) = \frac{1}{(s^2 + \omega^2)}$$

Since  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\hat{f}(s)\} = \frac{1}{\omega} \sin \omega t$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\hat{f}(s)\hat{g}(s)\}(t) = (f * g)(t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\omega} \int_{\tau=0}^t \sin \omega(t-\tau) g(\tau) d\tau \end{aligned}$$

is the solution for arbitrary  $g(t)$  (and  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$  constant)

4. Determine  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s+9}{s^2+6s+13}\right\}$

Answer:  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s+9}{s^2+6s+13}\right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s+9}{(s+3)^2+4}\right\}$

$$= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s+3}{(s+3)^2+4}\right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{6}{(s+3)^2+4}\right\}$$

$$= e^{-3t} \cos 2t + 3 e^{-3t} \sin 2t = e^{-3t} (\cos 2t + 3 \sin 2t)$$

using  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s+a}{(s+a)^2+b^2}\right\} = e^{-at} \cos bt$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{b}{(s+a)^2+b^2}\right\} = e^{-at} \sin bt$$

(by damping formula)

□

- Use of LT to calculate matrix exponentials  $\exp(tA)$ .

Consider the IVP:  $\dot{\Phi}(t) = A \Phi(t)$ ,  $\Phi(0) = I$

with  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  constant matrix. The solution we know is  $\Phi(t) = \exp(tA)$ , which we will calculate using LT.

Take LT of ODE:

$$s \hat{\Phi}(s) - \Phi(0) = \mathcal{L}\{A \Phi(t)\}(s) = A \hat{\Phi}(s)$$

$$\therefore (sI - A) \hat{\Phi} = I$$

$$\therefore \hat{\Phi}(s) = (sI - A)^{-1} I \quad \text{provided } \operatorname{Re}(s) > \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \\ \text{for each } \lambda \in \operatorname{spec}(A).$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}\{\exp(tA)\}(s) = (sI - A)^{-1}$$

$$\therefore \exp(tA) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{(sI - A)^{-1}\}(t).$$

In principle,  $\exp(tA)$  can be computed by LT as follows:

(a) Compute  $(sI-A)^{-1}$

(b) Invert each of the entries of  $(sI-A)^{-1}$   
(inverse LT)

Example: Consider  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\text{Now } (sI-A)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} s & -2 \\ -4 & s+2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{(s(s+2)-8)} \begin{pmatrix} s+2 & 2 \\ 4 & s \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(s+4)(s-2)} \begin{pmatrix} s+2 & 2 \\ 4 & s \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2/3}{s-2} + \frac{1/3}{s+4} & \frac{1/3}{s-2} - \frac{1/3}{s+4} \\ \frac{2/3}{s-2} - \frac{2/3}{s+4} & \frac{1/3}{s-2} + \frac{2/3}{s+4} \end{pmatrix}$$

by  
partial  
fractions

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ (sI-A)^{-1} \right\} (t) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3}e^{2t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-4t} & \frac{1}{3}e^{2t} - \frac{1}{3}e^{-4t} \\ \frac{2}{3}e^{2t} - \frac{2}{3}e^{-4t} & \frac{1}{3}e^{2t} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-4t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \exp(tA) = \exp \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2t \\ 4t & -2t \end{pmatrix}$$

- Variation of parameters formula derived using LT.

Consider the IVP:  $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + g(t)$ ,  $x(0) = x_0$

Take LT:  $s\hat{x} - x(0) = A\hat{x} + \hat{g}$

$$\therefore (sI - A)\hat{x}(s) = x_0 + \hat{g}(s)$$

$$\therefore \hat{x}(s) = (sI - A)^{-1}x_0 + (sI - A)^{-1}\hat{g}(s)$$

$$\therefore x(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{(sI - A)^{-1}\}(t)x_0 + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{(sI - A)^{-1}\hat{g}(s)\}(t)$$

$$= \exp(tA)x_0 + \int_{\tau=0}^t \exp((t-\tau)A)g(\tau)d\tau$$

$$\therefore x(t) = \exp(tA)x_0 + \exp(tA) \int_{\tau=0}^t \exp(-\tau A)g(\tau)d\tau$$

$$\Phi(t)$$

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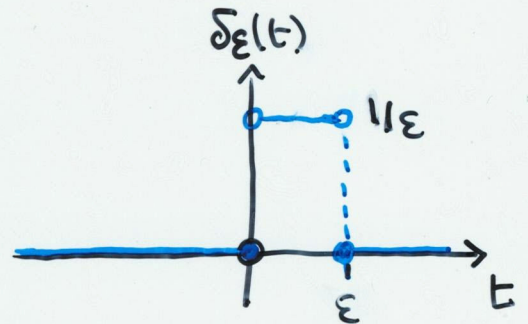
$$\Phi^{-1}(\tau)$$

$$\Phi(0) = I$$

## 2.4. The Dirac Delta function

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and consider the piecewise constant function

$$\delta_\varepsilon(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\varepsilon}, & t \in (0, \varepsilon) \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$



If  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function on an interval containing  $t=0$ , then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \delta_\varepsilon(t) dt = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_0^\varepsilon f(t) dt$$

The Mean Value Theorem for integrals states:

For continuous functions  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists \xi \in (a, b)$  s.t.  $\int_a^b f(t) dt = f(\xi) (b-a)$ .

Hence  $\exists \xi \in (0, \varepsilon)$  s.t.  $\int_0^\varepsilon f(t) dt = f(\xi) \varepsilon$ .

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \delta_\varepsilon(t) dt = f(\xi)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \delta_\varepsilon(t) dt = f(0) \quad \text{by continuity of } f.$$

Introduce the Dirac Delta function  $\delta(t)$  as a "limit" of the sequence of functions  $\{\delta_\varepsilon(t)\}$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

Definition: The Dirac Delta "function"  $\delta(t)$  is characterised by the following properties:

$$(i) \quad \delta(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$$

(ii) For any function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that is continuous on an open interval containing 0,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \delta(t) dt = f(0).$$

Notes:

1.  $\delta(t)$  is not a usual "function" but technically a "generalised function" or "distribution".

2. There many choices for the approximating sequences  $\delta_\varepsilon(t)$ . Other examples include:

$$\delta_\varepsilon(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} & , t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon), \\ 0 & , \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$\delta_\varepsilon(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\varepsilon^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{t^2}{2\varepsilon^2}\right) \quad t \in (-\infty, \infty).$$