

Solution to Test III, Laplace Transforms

PROBLEM ONE Suppose $w(1) = 1$ and $w'(1) = 0$. Solve

$$w''(x) - w(x) = \sin(x-1)$$

Using Laplace transforms. Introduce $y(x) = w(x+1)$

so that $y(0) = w(1)$. Also notice that

$y'(x) = \frac{dw}{dx} \frac{d}{dx}(x+1) = w'(x+1)$ and $y''(x) = w''(x+1)$
consider the differential equation at $x+1$,

$$w''(x+1) - w(x+1) = \sin(x+1-1)$$

Thus, $y''(x) - y(x) = \sin(x)$, and $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$.

Now we can use the standard Laplace theory on y ,

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

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

$$= \frac{s(s^2+1) + 1}{(s+1)(s-1)(s^2+1)} = \frac{A}{s+1} + \frac{B}{s-1} + \frac{C + Ds}{s^2+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{s(s^2+1) + 1}{s^3 + s + 1} = \frac{A(s-1)(s^2+1) + B(s+1)(s^2+1) + (s^2-1)(C+Ds)}{s^3 + s + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow s^3 + s + 1 = A(s^3 - s^2 + s - 1) + B(s^3 + s^2 + s + 1) + C(s^2 - 1) + D(s^3 - s)$$

Equating coefficients of $s^3, s^2, s, 1$ yields,

$$\begin{array}{l} s^3 \quad 1 = A + B + D \\ s^2 \quad 0 = -A + B + C \\ s \quad 1 = A + B - D \\ 1 \quad 1 = -A + B - C \end{array}$$

Well that's not very fun, notice $s=1$ gives $3 = 4B$
whereas $s=-1$ gives $-1 = -4A$

PROBLEM ONE Continued

Just found $A = 1/4$ and $B = 3/4$ so using the eq^s from last page,

$$1 = A + B + D = 1 + D \quad \therefore \underline{D = 0}$$

$$0 = -A + B + C = \frac{1}{2} + C \quad \therefore \underline{C = -1/2}$$

Thus we find that

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

Thus $y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\underline{Y}\}(t)$ is clearly,

$$\underline{y(t) = \frac{1}{4} e^{-t} + \frac{3}{4} e^t - \frac{1}{2} \sin(t)}$$

Now to finish the problem we convert back to w using the fact $w(t) = y(t-1)$ thus,

$$\boxed{w(t) = \frac{1}{4} e^{-(t-1)} + \frac{3}{4} e^{t-1} - \frac{1}{2} \sin(t-1)}$$

There are other perhaps simpler ways to express our final answer, but this will suffice.

PROBLEM TWO

$$\text{Solve } \begin{aligned} x' &= -x + 2y + u(t-3) \\ y' &= -2y + x \end{aligned}$$

with $x(0) = 1$ and $y(0) = 0$. Notice we would have difficulty treating $u(t-3)$ w/o the Laplace transform technique. Anyway, lets begin,

$$\begin{aligned} sX - 1 &= -X + 2Y + \frac{1}{s}e^{-3s} \\ sY &= -2Y + X \end{aligned}$$

We can clean these up a little,

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

$$(s+2)Y = X$$

Substitute the 2nd Eqⁿ into the first,

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

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

$$Y = \frac{1}{s(s+3)} + \frac{1}{s^2(s+3)}e^{-3s} \quad \textcircled{I}$$

Now we can see that,

$$X = \frac{s+2}{s(s+3)} + \frac{s+2}{s^2(s+3)}e^{-3s} \quad \textcircled{II}$$

Then the problem reduces to finding the inverse Laplace transforms of \textcircled{I} & \textcircled{II} . This will be accomplished with the help of four partial fractal decompositions.

PROBLEM TWO CONTINUED

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

$$s=0 \Rightarrow 1 = 3A \therefore A = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$s=-3 \Rightarrow 1 = -3B \therefore B = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{s(s+3)} = \frac{1}{3s} - \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{s+3} \right) \quad (i)$$

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2(s+3)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s^2} + \frac{C}{s+3}$$

$$1 = As(s+3) + B(s+3) + Cs^2 \begin{cases} s=0 & 1 = 3B \rightarrow B = \frac{1}{3} \\ s=-3 & 1 = 9C \rightarrow C = \frac{1}{9} \\ s=1 & 1 = 4A + 4B + C \end{cases}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{4}(1 - 4B - C) = \frac{1}{4}\left(1 - \frac{4}{3} - \frac{1}{9}\right) = \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{9-12-1}{9}\right) = -\frac{1}{9}$$

$$F(s) = \frac{-1}{9s} + \frac{1}{3s^2} + \frac{1}{9} \left(\frac{1}{s+3} \right)$$

$$f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F\}(t) = -\frac{1}{9} + \frac{t}{3} + \frac{1}{9} e^{-3t} \quad (ii)$$

So now we have the needed ingredients to compute $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y\}$

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

$$= \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} e^{-3t} + f(t-3) u(t-3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} e^{-3t} + \left(-\frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{3}(t-3) + \frac{1}{9} e^{-3(t-3)} \right) u(t-3) = Y(t)$$

Used (ii)

PROBLEM TWO CONTINUED

$$\frac{s+2}{s(s+3)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+3} \rightarrow s+2 = A(s+3) + Bs$$

$$\underline{s=0} \quad 2 = 3A \quad \therefore A = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\underline{s=-3} \quad -1 = -3B \quad \therefore B = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{s+2}{s(s+3)} = \frac{2}{3s} + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{s+3} \right) \quad (iii)$$

$$G(s) = \frac{s+2}{s^2(s+3)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s^2} + \frac{C}{s+3}$$

$$s+2 = As(s+3) + B(s+3) + Cs^2 = s^2(A+C) + s(3A+B) + 3B$$

$$\underline{s^2} \quad 0 = A+C \rightarrow C = -A$$

$$\underline{s} \quad 1 = 3A+B$$

$$\underline{1} \quad 2 = 3B \rightarrow B = \frac{2}{3} \rightarrow A = (1-B)/3 = \frac{1}{9} \rightarrow C = -\frac{1}{9}$$

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{9s} + \frac{2}{3s^2} - \frac{1}{9(s+3)}$$

$$g(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{G\}(t) = \frac{1}{9} + \frac{2}{3}t - \frac{1}{9}e^{-3t} = g(t) \quad (iv)$$

Finally compute $x(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{X\}(t)$ from (ii) using (iii) & (iv),

$$x(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2}{3s} + \frac{1}{3(s+3)}\right\}(t) + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{G(s)e^{-3s}\}(t)$$

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

$$x(t) = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-3t} + \left(\frac{1}{9} + \frac{2}{3}(t-3) - \frac{1}{9}e^{-3(t-3)}\right)u(t-3)$$