

Comments on Laplace

Fourier transform does not apply to all classes of signals that we need to work with. Generalization from Fourier to Laplace is accomplished by multiplying a signal $x(t)$ by an exponential convergence factor and Fourier transforming the product.

Consider only signals that are zero for $t < 0$. Then an appropriate factor is $e^{-\sigma t}$ where σ is positive.

This gives the Fourier Transform

$$\begin{aligned} X(\sigma + j\omega) &= \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-\sigma t} e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-(\sigma + j\omega)t} dt \end{aligned}$$

let $s = \sigma + j\omega$ then

$$X(s) = \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt \quad \text{denoted by } \mathcal{L}[x(t)]$$

where $\mathcal{L}[\cdot]$ denotes the operator of the single-sided Laplace transform.

For example let $x(t) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} X(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \Big|_0^{\infty} = \frac{e^{-\sigma t} e^{-j\omega t}}{-s} \Big|_0^{\infty} \\ &= -\frac{e^{-\sigma t}}{s} (\cos \omega t - j \sin \omega t) \Big|_0^{\infty} \end{aligned}$$

if $\text{Re}(s) = \sigma > 0$ then $X(s) = \frac{1}{s}$

but if $\sigma < 0$ then does not converge

Transforms of Derivatives: the Laplace of $dx(t)/dt$ is

$$\mathcal{L}\left[\frac{dx(t)}{dt}\right] = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} e^{-st} dt$$

integration by parts gives $u = e^{-st}$ and $dv = dx(t)$

$$\int_a^b u dv = uv \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b v du$$

$$du = -s e^{-st} \quad \text{and} \quad v = x(t)$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} e^{-st} dt = \left[e^{-st} x(t) \right]_0^{\infty} + s \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st}$$

$$= s X(s) - x(0)$$

$$\text{if } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) e^{-st} = 0$$

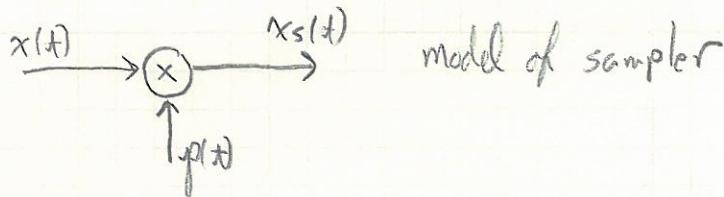
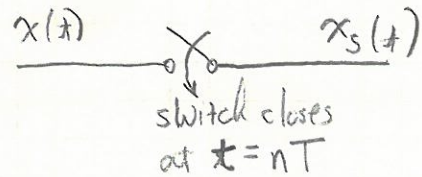
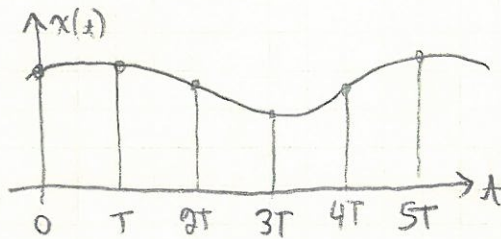
recall that for an inductor $v(t) = L \frac{di}{dt}$

$$V(s) = sL I(s) - Li(0)$$

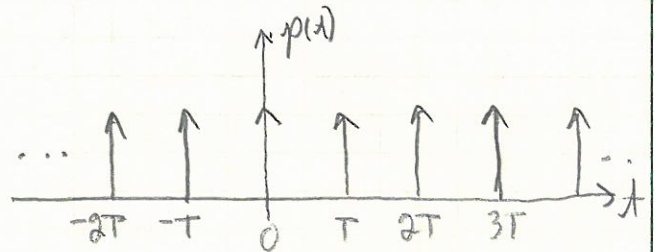
$$I(s) = \frac{1}{sL} V(s) + \frac{1}{s} i(0)$$

Z-transform

Suppose we sample a signal $x(t)$ at regular intervals T



$$x_s(t) = x(t)p(t)$$



if switch close time is very small relative to variation of $x(t)$ we can assume that $p(t)$ is the δ

$$p(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - kT)$$

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since $\delta(t - kT)$ is zero except at $t = kT$ then $x(t)$ can be replaced by $x(kT)$ if $x(t)$ is continuous at $t = kT$.

also assume $x(t) \equiv 0$ $t < 0$

$$\text{then } x_s(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(kT) \delta(t - kT)$$

Taking Laplace yields $X_s(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(kT) \delta(t - kT) e^{-st} dt$

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now define a new complex variable z as $z = e^{sT}$

then $X_s(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(kT) z^{-k}$

$X_s(z)$ is known as the z -transform of sequence $x(kT)$

The coefficient $x(kT)$ denotes the sample value and z^{-k} denotes that sample occurs k sample periods after the $t=0$ reference.

Note that e^{sT} is the T -seconds time shift operator. The sample value $x(kT)$ is multiplied by e^{-skT} which places that sample value at $t=kT$.

So z is simply a shorthand notation for the Laplace time shift operator at discrete sample times.

Ex: $30.5 z^{-20}$ denotes a sample with value 30.5 which occurs 20 sample periods after $t=0$.

Recall that $s = \sigma + j\omega$ where σ is a constant to ensure convergence

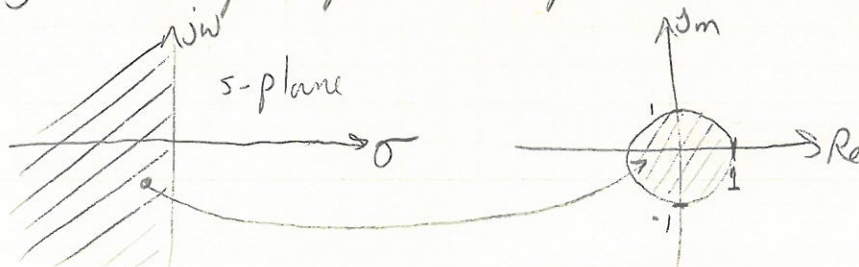
$$z = e^{\sigma T} e^{j\omega T}$$

$|z| = e^{\sigma T}$ then $\sigma > 0$ (right half of s -plane) corresponds

to $|z| > 1$ and

$\sigma < 0$ (left half of s -plane) maps to $|z| < 1$

$j\omega$ axis of s -plane corresponds to unit circle of z -plane



Consider the unit step sample sequence

$$x(kT) = 1, \quad k \geq 0$$

$$X(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^{-k} = 1 + z^{-1} + z^{-2} + z^{-3} + z^{-4} + \dots$$

recall that for the geometric series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x} \quad \text{for } |x| < 1$$

since

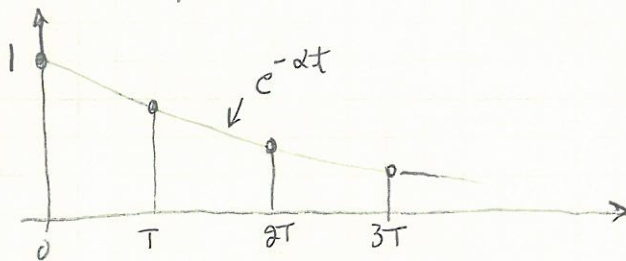
$$S_g = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots$$

$$x S_g = x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + \dots$$

$$S_g - x S_g = 1 \quad \therefore S_g = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$\text{then } X(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^{-k} = \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}} \quad |z| > 1$$

As another example consider the sampled exponential $e^{-\alpha t}$



$$x(kT) = e^{-\alpha kT} \quad \alpha > 0, \quad k \geq 0$$

$$X(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{-\alpha kT} z^{-k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (e^{-\alpha T} z^{-1})^k$$

then

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-\alpha T} z^{-1}} \quad |z| > e^{-\alpha T}$$

if α is fixed and for a constant sampling period

$$M = e^{-\alpha T}$$

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - Mz^{-1}} \quad |z| > M$$

$$= \frac{z}{z - M}$$

$\rightarrow X(z)$ has a zero at $z=0$ and pole at $z=M$
 \therefore only for $|M| < 1$ does M^k go to zero for large k .