### **DEFINITION LAPLACE TRANSFORM**







<i>f</i> ( <i>t</i> )	F(s)
10. $\frac{1}{\tau_1 - \tau_2} \left( e^{-t/\tau_1} - e^{-t/\tau_2} \right)$	$\frac{1}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)}$
11. $\frac{b_3 - b_1}{b_2 - b_1} e^{-b_1 t} + \frac{b_3 - b_2}{b_1 - b_2} e^{-b_2 t}$	$\frac{s+b_3}{(s+b_1)(s+b_2)}$
12. $\frac{1}{\tau_1} \frac{\tau_1 - \tau_3}{\tau_1 - \tau_2} e^{-t/\tau_1} + \frac{1}{\tau_2} \frac{\tau_2 - \tau_3}{\tau_2 - \tau_1} e^{-t/\tau_2}$	$\frac{\tau_{3}s + 1}{(\tau_{1}s + 1)(\tau_{2}s + 1)}$
13. $1 - e^{-t/\tau}$	$\frac{1}{s(\tau s + 1)}$ Note: This is step response of first- order system
14. $\sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
15. cos ω <i>t</i>	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
16. $\sin(\omega t + \phi)$	$\frac{\omega \cos \phi + s \sin \phi}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
17. $e^{-bt}\sin\omega t$	$\int \frac{\omega}{(s+b)^2+\omega^2}$
18. $e^{-bt} \cos \omega t$ $b, \omega$ real	$\frac{s+b}{(s+b)^2+\omega^2}$
19. $\frac{1}{\tau\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}e^{-\zeta t/\tau}\sin(\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}t/\tau)$	$\frac{1}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta \tau s + 1}$
$(0 \le  \zeta  < 1)$	

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## Laplace Transform

**Definition\*:**  $F(s) = L(f(t)) = \int_{0}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st}dt$ 

Usually f(t) is in deviation variables so f(t=0) = 0

**Examples** 1.  $f(t)=\delta(t)$  (*impulse*). f(s) = 1

2. f(t)=a (step change)  $f(s)=\int_{0}^{\infty} ae^{-st} dt = -\frac{a}{s} \left[ e^{-st} \right]_{0}^{\infty} = 0 - \left[ -\frac{a}{s} \right] = \frac{a}{s}$ 5.  $f(t)=e^{-bt}$  $f(s)=\int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-bt}e^{-st} dt = \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-(b+s)t} dt = \frac{1}{b+s} \left[ -e^{-(b+s)t} \right]_{0}^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s+b}$ 

\*Will often misuse notation and write f(s) instead of F(s)

Most important property for us. Laplace of derivative.

$$L\left(\frac{df}{dt}\right) = \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{df}{dt} e^{-st} dt = sL(f) - f(0) = s F(s) - f(0)$$

Differentiation: replaced by multiplication with s Integration: replaced by multiplication with 1/s

Proof: 
$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{df}{dt} e^{-st} dt = \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-st} df$$
  
Set v=e<sup>-st</sup> and du=df and use integration by parts

## **Other properties of Laplace transform:**

### A. Final value theorem

 $y(t = \infty) = \lim_{s \to 0} sY(s)$  "steady-state value" Example:  $Y(s) = \frac{1}{\tau s + 1} \frac{a}{s}$  $y(\infty) = \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{a}{\tau s + 1} = a$ 

Comment (relevant to step responses): If Y(s) = g(s)/s then  $y(t=\infty)=g(0)$ 

### **B.** Initial value theorem

$$\lim_{t\to 0} y(t) = \lim_{s\to\infty} s Y(s)$$

Example For 
$$Y(s) = \frac{4s+2}{s(s+1)}$$

y(0) = 4 by initial value theorem (multiply Y(s) by s and set s=1)

$$y(\infty) = 2$$
 by final value theorem  
(multiply Y(s) by s and set s=0

## C. Initial slope property

$$\lim_{t \to 0} y'(t) = \lim_{s \to \infty} s^2 Y(s)$$

## **Comment on notation**

	Sigurd	Book (Seborg)
Time signal	y(t)	y(t)
Steady-state value	y*	y
Deviation	$\Delta y = y - y^*$	$y' = y - \overline{y}$
Laplace of $\Delta y(t)$	y(s)	Y(s)



# Partial fraction expansion of f(s)

Consider a Laplace transform

f(s) = n(s)/d(s)

Assume the order of the polynomial d(s) is higher or equal to order of polynomial n(s).

We first factorize d(s) as a product of terms, for example,

 $d(s) = k(\tau_1^*s+1)(\tau_2^*s+1)...$ 

where  $\tau_i$  are the time constants

- Note that  $s=-1/\tau_i$  are the roots in the polynomial d(s)=0.

We then write the "partial fraction expansion" of f(s):

 $f(s) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 / (\tau_1^* s + 1) + \alpha_2 / (\tau_2^* s + 1) + \dots$ 

- The constants ( $\alpha$ 's) may be determined in many ways.
- One simple method is to multiply by both sides by  $(\tau_1^*s+1)$  and then set  $s=-1/\tau_1$ . This gives  $\alpha_1$ . Then we find  $\alpha_2$ , etc.
- $\alpha_0$  may be found by letting s= $\infty$ .
- Note that  $\alpha_0=0$  except for systems with the same number as zeros as poles.

#### Example. f(s) = (-0.25s+1)/(10s-1)

This a bit unusual since the system is unstable (note the negative sign in d(s)), but it does not matter. We write

 $f(s) = (-0.25s+1)/(10s-1) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1/(10s-1)$  (\*)

- To determine  $\alpha_1$ : Multiply on both sides of (\*) by 10s-1 and set s=0.1: (-0.25s+1) = -0.025+1 = 0.975 =  $\alpha_1$
- To determine  $\alpha_0$ : Let s= $\infty$  on both sides of (\*): -0.25/10 =  $\alpha_0$  ->  $\alpha_0$ =-0.025

Conclusion: f(s) = -0.025 + 0.975/(10s-1)

Example. 
$$f(s) = \frac{k}{s(\tau s+1)}$$

Use partial fraction expansion of f(s) to find f(t). (Without using No. 13 in table)

## Solution.

Partial fraction expansion into known terms:

$$f(s) = \frac{\alpha_1}{s} + \frac{\alpha_2}{\tau s + 1}$$

Inverse Laplace of each term

$$f(t) = \alpha_1 + \frac{\alpha_2}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau}$$

# Transfer function of first-order plus delay (FOD) process



- Dynamic model in time domain:  $\tau \frac{dy(t)}{dt} = -y(t) + k u(t \theta)$
- Laplace transform:

$$\tau sy(s) = -y(s) + k e^{-\theta s} u(s)$$

• Rearrange : y(s) = G(s)u(s) where

$$G(s) = k \frac{e^{-\theta s}}{\tau s + 1}$$

• G(s) - Transfer function! Independent of what u(t) is (step, sinus, etc...)

# Examples transfer functions

- First-order (concentration in tank)
- Integrating
- First-order with delay
- PID
- Higher order

# **Use of Laplace Transforms in control**

- 1. Standard notation in dynamics and control for linear systems (shorthand notation)
  - Independent variable: Change from t (time) to s (complex variable; inverse time)
  - Just a mathematical change in variables: Like going from x to y=log(x)

2. Converts differential equations to algebraic operations

3. Advantageous for block diagram analysis. **Transfer function**, G(s):



Note: Here I use capital letters for the transfer function G(s), but we may sometimes use lower case, g(s)

# General procedure in this course

- 1. Nonlinear dynamic model
- 2. Steady state model: Use to find missing data
- 3. Introduce deviation variables and linearize\*
- 4. Laplace of both sides of linear model (t ! s)
- 5. Algebra ! Transfer function, G(s)
- 6. Block diagram
- 7. Controller design

\*Note: We will only use Laplace for linear systems!