

## LAPLACE TRANSFORM

It is used to transform a time domain to complex frequency domain signal(s-domain).

Two Sided Laplace transform (or) Bilateral Laplace transform

Let  $x(t)$  be a continuous time signal defined for all values of  $t$ . Let  $X(S)$  be Laplace transform of  $x(t)$ .

$$L\{x(t)\} = X(S) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-St} dt$$

One sided Laplace transform (or) Unilateral Laplace transform

Let  $x(t)$  be a continuous time signal defined for  $t \geq 0$  (ie If  $x(t)$  is causal) then,

$$L\{x(t)\} = X(S) = \int_0^{\infty} x(t)e^{-St} dt$$

Inverse Laplace transform

The S-domain signal  $X(S)$  can be transformed to time domain signal  $x(t)$  by using inverse Laplace transform. The inverse Laplace transform of  $X(S)$  is defined as,

$$L^{-1}\{X(s)\} = x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{s=\sigma-j\Omega}^{s=\sigma+j\Omega} X(S)e^{st} ds$$

Existence of Laplace transform

The necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of Laplace transform are

$x(t)$  should be continuous in the given closed interval

$x(t)$  must be absolutely integrable.

i.e.,  $X(S)$  exists only if  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)e^{-\sigma t}| dt < \infty$

## PROBLEMS:

1. Find unilateral Laplace transform for the following signals.

(i)  $x(t) = \delta(t)$

$$X(S) = \int_0^{\infty} x(t)e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} \delta(t)e^{-st} dt = e^{-s(0)} = 1$$

(ii)  $x(t) = u(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} X(S) &= \int_0^{\infty} x(t)e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} u(t)e^{-st} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} 1 \cdot e^{-st} dt \\ &= \left[ \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s} \end{aligned}$$

2. Find the Laplace Transform of  $x(t) = e^{at}u(t)$ .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} X(S) &= L[e^{at}u(t)] \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{at} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s-a)t} dt = \left[ \frac{e^{-(s-a)t}}{-(s-a)} \right]_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{s-a} \end{aligned}$$

3. Determine initial value and final value of the following signal  $X(S) = \frac{1}{s(s+2)}$ .

Solution:

Initial value:

$$x(0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sX(S) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s \frac{1}{s(s+2)} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

Final Value:

$$x(\infty) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sX(S) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \frac{1}{s(s+2)} = \frac{1}{2}$$