

Analysis IV

(for EL, GM, MX)

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Last time: We used the Laplace transform to solve initial value problems for linear ODEs with constant coefficients.

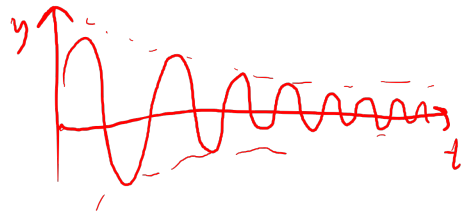
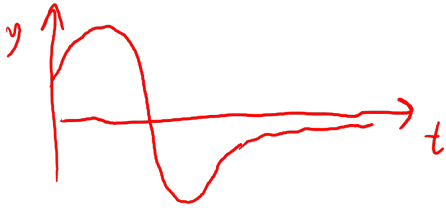
Damped harmonic oscillator:

$$\begin{cases} y''(t) + 2a y'(t) + \omega^2 y(t) = f(t), \quad t > 0 \\ y(0) = y_0, \quad y'(0) = v_0 \end{cases}$$

$$a > 0, \quad \omega \neq 0$$

We computed the explicit solutions in the cases

$\omega^2 = a^2$ (critically damped) and $\omega^2 > a^2$ (under-damped)



Case III: $\omega^2 < a^2$ (over-damped)

Use the fact that

$$\mathcal{L}[\cosh(\beta t)](z) = \frac{z}{z^2 - \beta^2}, \quad \mathcal{L}[\sinh(\beta t)](z) = \frac{\beta}{z^2 - \beta^2}$$

(Exercise, but can also be derived from the formulas for $\cos(\cdot)$, $\sin(\cdot)$ using the fact that $\cosh(x) = \cos(ix)$, $\sinh(x) = -i \sin(ix)$)

So: If $\beta = \underbrace{\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2}}_{>0}$, then:

$$\frac{1}{(z+a)^2 + \underbrace{\omega^2 - a^2}_{= -\beta^2}} = \frac{1}{\beta} \cdot \frac{\beta}{(z+a)^2 - \beta^2} = \frac{1}{\beta} \mathcal{L}[e^{-at} \sinh(\beta t)](z)$$

and

$$\frac{z+a}{(z+a)^2 + \underbrace{\omega^2 - a^2}_{= -\beta^2}} = \mathcal{L}[e^{-at} \cosh(\beta t)](z)$$

So, from our expression for $Y(z) = \mathcal{L}[y](z)$:

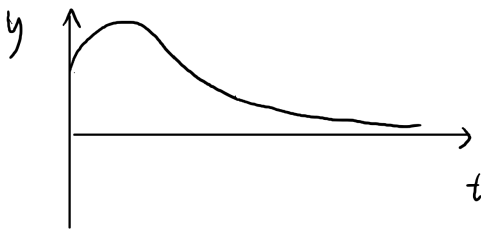
$$Y(z) = \frac{1}{(z+a)^2 + \omega^2 - a^2} F(z) + \frac{z+a}{(z+a)^2 + \omega^2 - a^2} y_0 + \frac{1}{(z+a)^2 + \omega^2 - a^2} (\alpha y_0 + v_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y(z) = & \mathcal{L} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2}} e^{-\alpha t} \sinh(\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2} t) \right](z) \cdot F(z) \\
 & + \mathcal{L} \left[e^{-\alpha t} \cosh(\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2} t) \right](z) \cdot y_0 \\
 & + \mathcal{L} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2}} e^{-\alpha t} \sinh(\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2} t) \right](z) \cdot (\alpha y_0 + v_0)
 \end{aligned}$$

So:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) = & \int_0^t \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2}} e^{-\alpha(t-s)} \sinh(\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2}(t-s)) \cdot f(s) ds \\
 & + e^{-\alpha t} \cosh(\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2} t) \cdot y_0 \\
 & + \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2}} e^{-\alpha t} \sinh(\sqrt{a^2 - \omega^2} t) \cdot (\alpha y_0 + v_0)
 \end{aligned}$$

When $f=0$:



(similar to the critically damped case).

Remarks:

- 1) In all cases: When $y_0 = 0$, $v_0 = 0$
(so only the forcing affects the solution):

$$y(t) = \int_0^t G(t-s) f(s) ds = G * f(t)$$

$G(t)$: Solution in the case when
 $f = 0$, $y_0 = 0$, $v_0 = 1$

(fundamental solution)

2) Resonance:

In the case without damping ($\alpha = 0$).

When $y_0 = 0$, $v_0 = 0$:

$$y(t) = \int_0^t \frac{1}{|\omega|} \sin(|\omega|(t-s)) f(s) ds$$

Suppose that $f(s) = \sin(\gamma \cdot s)$ for some $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$:

- If $\gamma \neq \pm \omega$: $\sup_t |y(t)| < +\infty$

- If $\gamma = \pm \omega$: $|y(t)| \rightarrow +\infty$ as $t \rightarrow +\infty$
(resonant forcing).

For the initial value problems we considered so far:

We performed a Laplace transform, found an expression for $L[y] = Y$ and then guessed an expression for y .

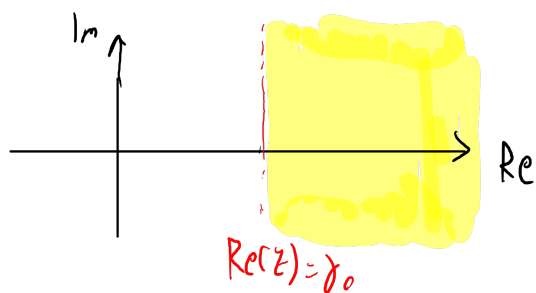
This is fine, since we proved that those initial value problems have a unique solution.

In general, can we determine y uniquely if we know $L[y](z)$?

Inverse Laplace transform

Recall: If γ_0 is an **abscissa of convergence** for f (this means, in practice, that asymptotically, as $t \rightarrow +\infty$, f behaves like $\sim e^{\gamma_0 t}$ or "polynomial" corrections to it), then $\mathcal{L}[f](z)$ is **holomorphic** (and, thus, has no singularities) on

$$\{z: \operatorname{Re}(z) > \gamma_0\}$$



In fact: In some sense, the "opposite" is

also true: If $\mathcal{L}[f](z)$ is holomorphic in $\{z: \operatorname{Re}(z) > \gamma_0\}$ and doesn't "grow" as $|z| \rightarrow +\infty$, then γ_0 is an abscissa of convergence for f .

Theorem

Suppose that $f: [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a piecewise continuous function and, for some $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$,

$F(z) = \mathcal{L}[f](z)$ is holomorphic on the region $\{z: \operatorname{Re}(z) \geq \gamma\}$ and

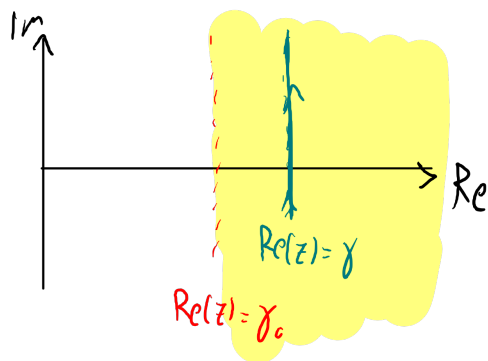
$$\lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-T}^T F(\gamma + is) \cdot e^{(\gamma + is)t} ds \text{ exists for all } t \geq 0.$$

(both conditions are automatically true if some $\gamma_0 < \gamma$ is an abscissa of convergence for f)

Then

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} F(\gamma + is) \cdot e^{(\gamma + is)t} ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma - i\infty}^{\gamma + i\infty} F(z) \cdot e^{zt} dz$$

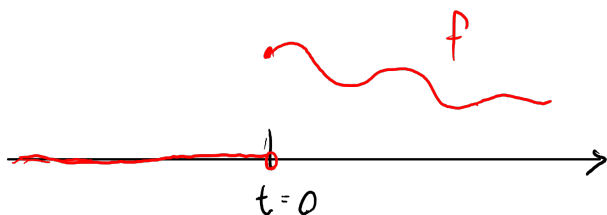


Note: The above integral might not converge absolutely (e.g. if $f(t) = 1$ for $t \geq 0$, $F(z) = \frac{1}{z}$). So we just mean

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-T}^{+T} F(\gamma + is) e^{(\gamma + is)t} dt$$

Proof:

Extend $f: [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ to a function on $(-\infty, +\infty)$ by the condition that $f(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$.



$$\text{Let } g(t) = f(t) \cdot e^{-\gamma t}.$$

Take the Fourier transform:

$$\hat{g}(\alpha) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(t) \cdot e^{-i\alpha t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-(\gamma + i\alpha)t} dt$$

$f(t) = 0$
for $t < 0$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{+\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-(\gamma + i\alpha)t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} F(\gamma + i\alpha)$$

← Laplace transform

So by inverse Fourier transform formula:

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \hat{g}(a) \cdot e^{iat} da =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} F(\gamma+ia) \cdot e^{iat} da$$

$$g(t) = f(t) \cdot e^{-\gamma t}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) = g(t) \cdot e^{\gamma t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} F(\gamma+ia) \cdot e^{(\gamma+ia)t} dt$$



Remarks:

1) F uniquely determined by $\mathcal{L}[f]$ by this formula (Lerch's theorem).

2) The condition on $\lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-T}^T F(\gamma+is) \cdot e^{(\gamma+is)t} ds$:

Automatically true if $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F(\gamma+is)| ds < +\infty$.

Example:

$$\text{Let } F(z) = \frac{1}{(z+1)(z+2)^2}.$$

Find $f: [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that $\mathcal{L}[f] = F$.

Two ways to do it:

1) Note that

$$\frac{1}{(z+1)(z+2)^2} = \frac{1}{z+1} - \frac{1}{z+2} - \frac{1}{(z+2)^2}$$

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$$\mathcal{L}[e^{-t}] \quad \mathcal{L}[e^{-2t}] \quad \mathcal{L}[t \cdot e^{-2t}]$$

$$\text{So } f(t) = e^{-t} - e^{-2t} - t \cdot e^{-2t}$$

(by uniqueness of Laplace transforms: That's enough)

Usually this is the fastest way.

2) Using the formula for the inverse Laplace transform (combined with the residue theorem)

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \underbrace{F(\gamma + is)}_{h(z)} e^{(\gamma + is)t} ds$$

$$h(z) = F(z) \cdot e^{zt}$$

Poles for h : $z = -1, -2$

So I can choose $\gamma = 0$:

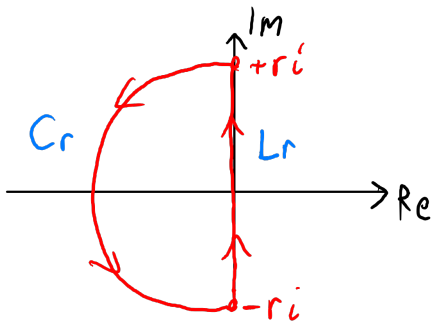
- F holomorphic on $\{z: \operatorname{Re}(z) > -1\}$ which contains $\{\operatorname{Re}(z) \geq 0\}$.

- $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |F(\gamma + is)| ds < +\infty.$

Inverse Laplace transform:

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\gamma + i s) ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty i}^{+\infty i} h(z) dz$$



Curves: $L_r: [-r, r] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, s \rightarrow si$

$C_r: [\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \theta \rightarrow r \cdot e^{i\theta}$

$\Gamma = L_r \cup C_r$ (closed, counter clockwise oriented)

When $r > 2$: Γ encloses all the poles of h (namely $z = -1, -2$).

Applying the residue theorem:

$$\int_{\Gamma} h(z) dz = 2\pi i \left(\operatorname{Res}_{z=-1}(h) + \operatorname{Res}_{z=-2}(h) \right).$$

Since $h(z) = \frac{e^{zt}}{(z+1)(z+2)^2}$:

- $z = -1$: Simple pole

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Res}_{z=-1}(h) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \left((z+1) h(z) \right) \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \left(\frac{e^{zt}}{(z+2)^2} \right) = e^{-t} \end{aligned}$$

- $z = -2$: Pole of order 2:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Res}_{z=-2}(h) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow -2} \left(\frac{d}{dz} \left((z+2)^2 h(z) \right) \right) \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow -2} \left(\frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{e^{zt}}{z+1} \right) \right) \\ &= -e^{-2t}(t+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$So: \int_{\Gamma} h(z) dz = 2\pi i (e^t - e^{-2t} - t \cdot e^{-2t})$$

Now :

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} h(z) dz}_{e^{-t} - e^{-2t} - t \cdot e^{-2t}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{L_r} h(z) dz}_{\downarrow r \rightarrow +\infty} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_r} h(z) dz$$

$f(t)$

So: it suffices to show that

$$\left| \int_{C_r} h(z) dz \right| \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow +\infty} 0$$

Indeed:

$$\left| \int_{C_r} h(z) dz \right| = \left| \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} h(r \cdot e^{i\theta}) \cdot i r e^{i\theta} d\theta \right|$$

$$|i \cdot r \cdot e^{i\theta}| = r$$

$$\leq \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} |h(r \cdot e^{i\theta})| \cdot r \cdot d\theta$$

$$= \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} \frac{|e^{r \cdot e^{i\theta} t}|}{|r \cdot e^{i\theta} + 1| \cdot |r \cdot e^{i\theta} + 2|^2} \cdot r \cdot d\theta \quad I$$

$$\bullet \quad |e^{r \cdot e^{i\theta} t}| = |e^{r(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)t}|$$

$$= |e^{r \cdot \cos\theta \cdot t} \cdot e^{i r \sin\theta t}|$$

$$= e^{r \cdot \cos\theta \cdot t} \leq 1$$

Since $r > 0$, $\cos\theta \leq 0$ ($\theta \in [\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}]$)
 $t \geq 0$.

$$\bullet \quad \underbrace{|r \cdot e^{i\theta}|}_{=r} - 1 \leq |r \cdot e^{i\theta} + 1| \leq \underbrace{|r \cdot e^{i\theta}|}_{=r} + 1$$

and, similarly

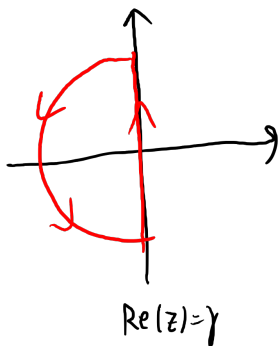
$$r-2 \leq |r \cdot e^{i\theta} + 2| \leq r+2$$

$$\text{So: } I \leq \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{(r-1)(r-2)^2} \cdot r \, d\theta$$

$$\longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } r \rightarrow +\infty$$



Remark on the choice of the closed loop Γ :



We chose the half-circle
to be on the left
(for $\text{Re}(z) < \gamma$)

because in that region,
 $|e^{z^t}| \leq e^{\gamma t}$

(so this term remains under control when $r \rightarrow +\infty$). This choice always helps when computing inverse Laplace transforms in this way.

Applications to partial differential equations

We will apply the theory of Fourier/Laplace transforms to solve initial-boundary value problems for linear partial differential equations with **constant coefficients**.

E.g: heat equation;

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u(t, x) - \partial_{xx}^2 u(t, x) = f(t, x), & 0 < x < L, \\ & t > 0 \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x) \\ u(t, 0) = 0, \quad u(t, L) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Evolution of temperature in a medium (interval) with fixed temperature at the endpoints $x=0, L$ and heat source f .

General procedure:

- Laplace transform in semi-infinite directions ($t \in [0, +\infty)$)
- Fourier transform in doubly infinite directions ($t \in (-\infty, +\infty)$)
- Fourier series decomposition in bounded intervals ($x \in (0, L)$).

