

TWK2A

The Inverse Laplace transform (Section 7.2)

Solutions

1.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{48}{s^5}\right\} &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2}\right\} - 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{4!}{s^5}\right\} \\ &= t - 2t^4\end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\left(\frac{2}{s} - \frac{1}{s^3}\right)^2\right\} &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{4}{s^2} - \frac{4}{s^4} + \frac{1}{s^6}\right\} \\ &= 4t - 4\frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} \\ &= 4t - 2\frac{t^3}{3} + \frac{t^5}{120}\end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{4s+1}\right\} &= \frac{1}{4}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+\frac{1}{4}}\right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{4}e^{-\frac{1}{4}t}\end{aligned}$$

4.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{10s}{s^2+16}\right\} &= 10\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2+16}\right\} \\ &= 10\cos 4t\end{aligned}$$

5.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2s-6}{s^2+9}\right\} &= 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2+9}\right\} - 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3}{s^2+9}\right\} \\ &= 2\cos 3t - 2\sin 3t\end{aligned}$$

6.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2+s-20}\right\} &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(s+5)(s-4)}\right\} \\ &= -\frac{1}{9}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+5}\right\} + \frac{1}{9}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-4}\right\} \\ &= -\frac{1}{9}e^{-5t} + \frac{1}{9}e^{4t}\end{aligned}$$

7.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{(s+2)^2}{s^3}\right\} &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s^2+4s+4}{s^3}\right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s} + \frac{4}{s^2} + \frac{4}{s^3}\right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s}\right\} + 4\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2}\right\} + 2\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2}{s^3}\right\} \\ &= 1 + 4t + 2t^2\end{aligned}$$

8.

$$f(t) \equiv \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s+1}{s^2-4s}\right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s+1}{s(s-4)}\right\}$$

Let

$$\frac{s+1}{s(s-4)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s-4} = \frac{A(s-4) + Bs}{s(s-4)}$$

Equate the numerators:

$$A(s-4) + Bs = s+1$$

$$\text{Put } s = 0 : \quad -4A = 1; \quad A = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{Put } s = 4 : \quad 4B = 5; \quad B = \frac{5}{4}$$

We now have

$$\begin{aligned}f(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{-\frac{1}{4}}{s} + \frac{\frac{5}{4}}{s-4}\right\} \\ &= -\frac{1}{4}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s}\right\} + \frac{5}{4}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-4}\right\} \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{4}e^{4t}.\end{aligned}$$

9.

$$f(t) \equiv \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{6s + 3}{s^4 + 5s^2 + 4} \right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{6s + 3}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4)} \right\}$$

Let

$$\frac{6s + 3}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{As + B}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{Cs + D}{s^2 + 4}$$

Equating the numerators, we have:

$$(As + B)(s^2 + 4) + (Cs + D)(s^2 + 1) = 6s + 3$$

Compare the coefficients of s :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} s^3 : A + C = 0 \\ s : 4A + C = 6 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow A = 2, C = -2$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} s^2 : B + D = 0 \\ s^0 (= 1) : 4B + D = 3 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow B = 1, D = -1$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2s + 1}{s^2 + 1} - \frac{2s + 1}{s^2 + 4} \right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2s}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} - \frac{2s}{s^2 + 4} - \frac{1}{s^2 + 4} \right\} \\ &= 2\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} \right\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} \right\} - 2\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} \right\} - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2}{s^2 + 4} \right\} \\ &= 2 \cos t + \sin t - 2 \cos 2t - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2t. \end{aligned}$$

10. Assume

$$\frac{s^2 + 1}{\underbrace{s(s-1)(s+1)}_{s^2-1}(s-2)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs + C}{s^2 - 1} + \frac{D}{s - 2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A + B + D = 0 \\ -2A - 2B + C = 1 \\ -A - 2C - D = 0 \\ 2A = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A = \frac{1}{2} \\ B = -\frac{4}{3} \\ C = -\frac{3}{3} \\ D = \frac{5}{6} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{s^2 + 1}{s(s-1)(s+1)(s-2)} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{s} \right) - \frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{s}{s^2-1} \right) - \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{1}{s^2-1} \right) + \frac{5}{6} \left(\frac{1}{s-2} \right)$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{s} \right) \right\} &= 1 \\ \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \left(\frac{s}{s^2-1} \right) \right\} &= \cosh t = \frac{e^{kt} + e^{-kt}}{2} \\ \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{s^2-1} \right) \right\} &= \sinh t = \frac{e^{kt} - e^{-kt}}{2} \\ \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{s-2} \right) \right\} &= e^{2t} \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s^2 + 1}{s(s-1)(s+1)(s-2)} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} - e^t - \frac{e^{-t}}{3} + \frac{5e^{2t}}{6}.$$

11. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(s+1)^3}{s^4} &= \frac{1}{s} + \frac{3}{s^2} + \frac{3}{s^3} + \frac{1}{s^4} \\ &= \frac{1}{s} + 3 \left(\frac{1}{s^2} \right) + \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{2}{s^3} \right) + \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{6}{s^4} \right) \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{(s+1)^3}{s^4} \right\} = 1 + 3t + \frac{3t^2}{2} + \frac{t^3}{6}.$$

12.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s^2+s} \right\} &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s(s+1)} \right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s+1} \right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s} \right\} - \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s+1} \right\} \\ &= 1 - e^{-t} \end{aligned}$$

where we used

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{s(s+1)} &= \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+1} \Rightarrow A(s+1) + Bs = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow A + B = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad A = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow B = -1\end{aligned}$$