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UNIT –V

LAPLACE TRANSFORMS

Definition :

If a function $f(t)$ is defined for all positive variable t and if equal to $F(s)$, then $F(s)$ is called the Laplace transform of $f(t)$ and it is denoted by $L\{f(t)\}$.

$$L\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

Theorems :

1. Linear Property

$$L\{f(t) + \varphi(t)\} = L\{f(t)\} + L\{\varphi(t)\}$$

Proof :

$$\text{w.k.t } L\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} L\{f(t) + \varphi(t)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} [f(t) + \varphi(t)] dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \varphi(t) dt \\ &= L\{f(t)\} + L\{\varphi(t)\}. \end{aligned}$$

2. Scale Property

$$L\{cf(t)\} = cL\{f(t)\} \text{ where } c \text{ is constant}$$

Proof:

$$\text{w.k.t } L\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} L\{cf(t)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} [cf(t)] dt \\ &= c \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt \\ &= c L\{f(t)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$3. L\{f'(t)\} = s L\{f(t)\} - f(0).$$

Proof :

$$\text{w.k.t } L\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

$$L\{f'(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f'(t) dt$$

Using integration by parts

$$u = e^{-st} \quad dv = f'(t) dt$$

$$du = e^{-st} (-s) \quad \int dv = \int f'(t) dt$$

$$du = -se^{-st} dt \quad v = f(t)$$

$$= [e^{-st} f(t)]_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} (-se^{-st}) f(t) dt$$

$$= [e^{-\infty} f(\infty) - f(0)] + s \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

$$= -f(0) + s L\{f(t)\}$$

$$= s L\{f(t)\} - f(0).$$

$$4. L\{f''(t)\} = s^2 L\{f(t)\} - sf(0) - f'(0)$$

Proof :

$$L\{f''(t)\} = L\{F'(t)\}$$

$$\text{Where } F(t) = f'(t)$$

$$\text{w.k.t } L\{f'(t)\} = s L\{f(t)\} - f(0).$$

$$= s L\{F(t)\} - F(0).$$

$$= s L\{f'(t)\} - f'(0).$$

$$= S[s L\{f(t)\} - f(0)] - f'(0)$$

$$L\{f''(t)\} = s^2 L\{f(t)\} - sf(0) - f'(0)$$

5. Initial Value Theorem :

$$\text{If } L\{f(t)\} = F(s) \text{ then } \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sF(s)$$

Proof :

$$\text{Let } L\{f(t)\} = F(s)$$

$$\text{w.k.t } L\{f'(t)\} = s L\{f(t)\} - f(0).$$

$$= s F(s) - f(0).$$

Taking limit as $s \rightarrow \infty$ on both sides

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} L\{f'(t)\} = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} [s F(s) - f(0)]$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} [s F(s) - f(0)] = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} L\{f'(t)\}$$

$$= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f'(t) dt$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} [s F(s) - f(0)] = 0$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s F(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} f(0)$$

$$= f(0)$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s F(s) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t)$$

Hence the proof.

6. Final Value Theorem :

$$\text{If } L\{f(t)\} = F(s) \text{ then } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sF(s)$$

Proof :

$$\text{Let } L\{f(t)\} = F(s)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{w.k.t } L\{f'(t)\} &= s L\{f(t)\} - f(0). \\ &= s F(s) - f(0). \end{aligned}$$

Taking limit as $s \rightarrow 0$ on both sides

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} L\{f'(t)\} &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} [s F(s) - f(0)] \\ \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} [s F(s) - f(0)] &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} L\{f'(t)\} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f'(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} [s F(s) - f(0)] = [f(t)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} [s F(s) - f(0)] &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(t) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) - f(0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s F(s) &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) - f(0) + \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} f(0) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) - f(0) + f(0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s F(s)$$

Hence the proof.

$$7. \text{ If } L\{f(t)\} = F(s) \text{ then } L\{f(at)\} = \frac{1}{a} F\left(\frac{s}{a}\right).$$

Proof:

$$\text{w.k.t } L\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

$$L\{f(at)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} [f(at)] dt$$

Put $at = y$

$t = y/a$

$$dt = dy/a$$

$$\begin{aligned}L\{f(at)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-s\left(\frac{y}{a}\right)} [f(y)] \frac{dy}{a} \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{sy}{a}} [f(y)] dy \\ L\{f(at)\} &= \frac{1}{a} F\left(\frac{s}{a}\right).\end{aligned}$$

Hence the proof.

8.If $L\{f(t)\} = F(s)$ then $L\{e^{-at}f(t)\} = F(s+a)$.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{w.k.t } L\{f(t)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt \\ L\{e^{-at}f(t)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} e^{-at} f(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st-at} f(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t(s+a)} f(t) dt \\ L\{e^{-at}f(t)\} &= F(s+a).\end{aligned}$$

Hence the proof.

9.If $L\{f(t)\} = F(s)$ then $L\{tf(t)\} = -\frac{d}{ds}F(s)$.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{w.k.t } L\{f(t)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt \\ F(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{ds}F(s) &= \frac{d}{ds} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} e^{-st} f(t) dt \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} -te^{-st} f(t) dt \\
&= -\int_0^{\infty} te^{-st} f(t) dt \\
&= -L \{tf(t)\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{d}{ds}F(s) = L \{tf(t)\}$$

Hence the proof.

10..If $L\{f(t)\}= F(s)$ and if $f(t)/t$ has limit as $t \rightarrow 0$, then

$$L \left\{ \frac{f(t)}{t} \right\} = \int_s^{\infty} F(s) ds.$$

Proof:

$$\text{w.k.t } L\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_s^{\infty} F(s) ds. &= \int_s^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt ds \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} \int_s^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) ds dt
\end{aligned}$$

On interchanging the order of integration

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_0^{\infty} f(t) \left[\frac{e^{-st}}{t} \right]_s^{\infty} dt \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{f(t)}{t} e^{-st} dt
\end{aligned}$$

$$L \left\{ \frac{f(t)}{t} \right\} = \int_s^{\infty} F(s) ds.$$

Hence the proof.