
Instructor Solutions for Assignment 4

Problem 6.1

Solution:

(a) By definition

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-st} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-5t}u(t)e^{-st} dt + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{4t}u(-t)e^{-st} dt = \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s+5)t} dt}_I + \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(4-s)t} dt}_{II}.$$

Integral I reduces to

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s+5)t} dt = \left. \frac{e^{-(s+5)t}}{-(s+5)} \right|_0^{\infty} = \frac{-1}{(s+5)} [0-1] = \frac{1}{s+5} \quad \text{provided } \operatorname{Re}\{(s+5)\} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{ROC } R_1 : \operatorname{Re}\{s\} > -5$$

while integral II reduces to

$$II = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(4-s)t} dt = \left. \frac{e^{(4-s)t}}{(4-s)} \right|_{-\infty}^0 = \frac{1}{(4-s)} [1-0] = \frac{-1}{s-4} \quad \text{provided } \operatorname{Re}\{(4-s)\} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{ROC } R_1 : \operatorname{Re}\{s\} < 4.$$

The Laplace transform is therefore given by

$$X(s) = I + II = \frac{1}{s+5} - \frac{1}{s-4} = \frac{-9}{(s+5)(s-4)} \quad \text{with ROC : } R = R_1 \cap R_2 \text{ or } R : (-5 < \operatorname{Re}\{s\} < 4).$$

(b) By definition

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-st} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-3|t|}e^{-st} dt = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{3t}e^{-st} dt + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-3t}e^{-st} dt = \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(3-s)t} dt}_I + \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s+3)t} dt}_{II}.$$

Integral I reduces to

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(3-s)t} dt = \left. \frac{e^{(3-s)t}}{(3-s)} \right|_{-\infty}^0 = \frac{1}{(3-s)} [1-0] = \frac{-1}{s-3} \quad \text{provided } \operatorname{Re}\{(3-s)\} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{ROC } R_1 : \operatorname{Re}\{s\} < 3$$

while integral II reduces to

$$II = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(s+3)t} dt = \left. \frac{e^{-(s+3)t}}{-(s+3)} \right|_0^{\infty} = \frac{-1}{(s+3)} [0-1] = \frac{1}{s+3} \quad \text{provided } \operatorname{Re}\{(s+3)\} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{ROC } R_1 : \operatorname{Re}\{s\} > -3$$

The Laplace transform is therefore given by

$$X(s) = I + II = \frac{1}{s+3} - \frac{1}{s-3} = \frac{-6}{s^2-9} \quad \text{with ROC : } R = R_1 \cap R_2 \text{ or } R : (-3 < \operatorname{Re}\{s\} < 3).$$

Problem 6.3**Solution:**

- (a) Using partial fraction expansion and associating the ROC to individual terms, gives

$$X(s) = \frac{s^2+2s+1}{(s+1)(s^2+5s+6)} = \frac{(s+1)^2}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)} = \frac{s+1}{(s+2)(s+3)} = \underbrace{\frac{A}{s+2}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-2} + \underbrace{\frac{B}{s+3}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-3}$$

$$\text{where } A = \left[\frac{s+1}{s+3} \right]_{s=-2} = -1, \quad B = \left[\frac{s+1}{s+2} \right]_{s=-3} = 2$$

Taking the inverse transform of $X(s)$, gives

$$x(t) = -e^{-2t}u(t) + 2e^{-3t}u(t) = (2e^{-3t} - e^{-2t})u(t).$$

- (b) Using partial fraction expansion and associating the ROC to individual terms, gives

$$X(s) = \frac{s^2+2s+1}{(s+1)(s^2+5s+6)} = \frac{s+1}{(s+2)(s+3)} = \underbrace{\frac{A}{s+2}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}<-2} + \underbrace{\frac{B}{s+3}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}<-3}$$

where constants A , and B were computed in part (a) as $A = -1$, and $B = 2$.

Taking the inverse transform of $X(s)$, gives

$$x(t) = (e^{-2t} - 2e^{-3t})u(-t)$$

Note that the same rational fraction for $X(s)$ gives different time domain representations if the associated ROC is changed.

- (e) Using partial fraction expansion and associating the ROC to individual terms, gives

$$X(s) = \frac{s^2+1}{s(s+1)(s^2+2s+17)} = \underbrace{\frac{A}{s}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>0} + \underbrace{\frac{B}{s+1}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-1} + \underbrace{\frac{Cs+D}{(s^2+2s+17)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>\text{Re}\{-1 \pm j4\}}$$

where

$$A = \left[\frac{s^2+1}{s(s+1)(s^2+2s+17)} s \right]_{s=0} = \left[\frac{s^2+1}{(s+1)(s^2+2s+17)} \right]_{s=0} = \frac{1}{17}$$

$$\text{and } B = \left[\frac{s^2+1}{s(s+1)(s^2+2s+17)} (s+1) \right]_{s=-1} = \left[\frac{s^2+1}{s(s^2+2s+17)} \right]_{s=-1} = -\frac{1}{8}.$$

To evaluate C and D , expand $X(s)$ as

$$s^2 + 1 = A(s+1)(s^2 + 2s + 17) + Bs(s^2 + 2s + 17) + (Cs + D)s(s+1)$$

and compare the coefficients of s^3 and s^2 . We get

$$0 = A + B + C$$

$$1 = 3A + 2B + C + D$$

which has a solution $C = 9/136$ and $D = 137/136$. The Laplace transform may be expressed as

$$X(s) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{17s}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>0} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{8(s+1)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-1} + \underbrace{\frac{9(s+1)}{136((s+1)^2+4^2)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-1} + \underbrace{\frac{32 \times 4}{136((s+1)^2+4^2)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-1}$$

Taking the inverse transform of $X(s)$, gives

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{17}u(t) - \frac{1}{8}e^{-t}u(t) + \frac{9}{136}e^{-t}\cos(4t)u(t) + \frac{4}{17}e^{-t}\sin(4t)u(t).$$

Problem 6.13

Solution:

(a) Calculating the Laplace transform of both sides, we get

$$\left[s^2Y(s) - s\underbrace{y(0^-)}_{=0} - \underbrace{\dot{y}(0^-)}_{=0} \right] + 3 \left[sY(s) - \underbrace{y(0^-)}_{=0} \right] + 2Y(s) = 1$$

which reduces to $(s^2 + 3s + 2)Y(s) = 1$

or,
$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s^2+3s+2)} = \frac{1}{(s+1)(s+2)} = \frac{1}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s+2}.$$

Calculating the inverse Laplace transform, we get

$$y(t) = e^{-t}u(t) - e^{-2t}u(t).$$

(c) Calculating the Laplace transform of both sides, we get

$$\left[s^2Y(s) - s\underbrace{y(0^-)}_{=1} - \underbrace{\dot{y}(0^-)}_{=1} \right] + 6 \left[sY(s) - \underbrace{y(0^-)}_{=1} \right] + 8Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+3)^2}$$

which reduces to $(s^2 + 6s + 8)Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+3)^2} + (s+1+6)$

or,
$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{(s+2)(s+3)^2(s+4)} + \frac{s+7}{(s+2)(s+4)}.$$

Taking the partial fraction expansion of the two terms separately

$$\frac{1}{(s+2)(s+3)^2(s+4)} = \frac{1/2}{s+2} + \frac{0}{s+3} - \frac{1}{(s+3)^2} - \frac{1/2}{s+4}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{s+7}{(s+2)(s+4)} = \frac{5/2}{s+2} - \frac{3/2}{s+4}$$

Expanding $Y(s)$ as

$$Y(s) = \frac{1/2}{s+2} - \frac{1}{(s+3)^2} - \frac{1/2}{s+4} + \frac{5/2}{s+2} - \frac{3/2}{s+4} = \frac{3}{s+2} - \frac{1}{(s+3)^2} - \frac{2}{s+4}.$$

Taking the inverse Laplace transform of $Y(s)$ gives

$$y(t) = (3e^{-2t} - te^{-3t} - 2e^{-4t})u(t)$$

Problem 6.14

(a) The Laplace transform of the input and output signals are given by

$$X(s) = \frac{4}{s} \quad \text{and} \quad Y(s) = \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s+2} = \frac{s^2+s+2}{s^2(s+2)}.$$

Dividing $Y(s)$ with $X(s)$, the transfer function is given by

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{s^2+s+2}{4s(s+2)}.$$

The impulse response is obtained by taking the partial fraction expansion of $H(s)$ as follows

$$H(s) = \frac{s^2+s+2}{4s(s+2)} \equiv \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4s} - \frac{1}{2(s+2)}.$$

Taking the inverse Laplace transform, the impulse response is given by

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{4}\delta(t) + \frac{1}{4}u(t) - \frac{1}{2}e^{-2t}u(t).$$

In order to calculate the input-output relationship in the form of a differential equation, we represent the transfer function as

$$H(s) = \frac{s^2+s+2}{4s(s+2)} = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)}.$$

Cross multiplying, we get $4s(s+2)Y(s) = (s^2+s+2)X(s)$

which can be represented as $4s^2Y(s) + 8sY(s) = s^2X(s) + sX(s) + 2X(s)$.

Taking the inverse Laplace transform and assuming zero initial conditions, the differential equation representing the system is given by

$$4\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 8\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \frac{dx}{dt} + 2x(t).$$

(b) The Laplace transform of the input and output signals are given by

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{(s+2)} \quad \text{and} \quad Y(s) = 3e^{-4s} \frac{1}{(s+2)}.$$

Dividing $Y(s)$ with $X(s)$, the transfer function is given by

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = 3e^{-4s}.$$

The impulse response is obtained by taking the inverse Laplace transform. The impulse response is given by

$$h(t) = 3\delta(t-4).$$

In order to calculate the input-output relationship in the form of a differential equation, we represent the transfer function as

$$H(s) = 3e^{-4s} = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)}.$$

Cross multiplying, we get $Y(s) = 3e^{-4s}X(s)$.

Taking the inverse Laplace transform, the input-output relationship of the system is given by

$$y(t) = 3x(t-4).$$

(d) The Laplace transform of the input and output signals are given by

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{s+2} \quad \text{and} \quad Y(s) = \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{1}{s+3}.$$

Dividing $Y(s)$ with $X(s)$, the transfer function is given by

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{(s+2)}{(s+1)} + \frac{(s+2)}{(s+3)} \equiv 2 + \frac{1}{s+1} - \frac{1}{s+3}.$$

The impulse response is obtained by taking the inverse Laplace transform. The impulse response is given by

$$h(t) = 2u(t) + e^{-t}u(t) - e^{-3t}u(t).$$

In order to calculate the input-output relationship in the form of a differential equation, we represent the transfer function as

$$H(s) = \frac{(s+2)(s+1+s+3)}{(s+1)(s+3)} = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)}.$$

Cross multiplying, we get $2s^2Y(s) + 8sY(s) + 8Y(s) = s^2X(s) + 4sX(s) + 3X(s)$.

Taking the inverse Laplace transform, the input-output relationship of the system is given by

$$2\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 8\frac{dy}{dt} + 8y(t) = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 4\frac{dx}{dt} + 3x(t).$$

- (e) Note that there is no overlap between the ROC's of the two terms $\exp(t)u(-t)$ and $\exp(-3t)u(t)$, therefore, the Laplace transform for $y(t)$ does not exist.

Problem 6.15

Solution:

(a) $H(s) = \frac{s^2+1}{s^2+2s+1} = \frac{(s+j)(s-j)}{(s+1)^2}$

Two zeros at $s = j, -j$.

Two poles at $s = 1, -1$.

Because both poles are in the left hand side of the s-plane, the system is always BIBO stable.

(b) $H(s) = \frac{2s+5}{s^2+s-6} = 2\frac{(s+2.5)}{(s+3)(s-2)}$

One zero: at $s = -2.5$.

Two poles at $s = 2, -3$.

Because one pole is located in the right hand side of the s-plane, the system is NOT stable.

(c) $H(s) = \frac{3s+10}{s^2+9s+18} = 3\frac{(s+10/3)}{(s+3)(s+6)}$

One zero at $s = -10/3$.

Two poles at $s = -3, -6$.

Because both poles are in the left side of the s-plane, the system is always BIBO stable.

(d) $H(s) = \frac{s+2}{s^2+9} = \frac{(s+2)}{(s+j3)(s-j3)}$

One zero at $s = -2$.

Two poles at $s = j3, -j3$.

There are only two poles and both poles are located on the imaginary axis. Therefore, the system is a marginally stable system.

(e) $H(s) = \frac{s^2+3s+2}{s^3+3s^2+2s} = \frac{1}{s}$

The system does not have any zero.

One pole at $s = 0$.

There is only one pole, which is located on the imaginary axis. Therefore, the system is a marginally stable system.

Problem 6.22

Given the transfer function

$$H(s) = \frac{s^2 - s - 6}{(s^2 + 3s + 1)(s^2 + 7s + 12)}$$

- Determine all possible choices for the ROC.
- Determine the impulse response of a causal implementation of the transfer function $H(s)$.
- Determine the left sided impulse response with the specified transfer function $H(s)$.
- Determine all possible choices of double-sided impulse responses having the specified transfer function $H(s)$.
- Which of the four impulse responses obtained in (b)-(d) are stable?

Solution:

- Factorizing $H(s)$ gives the following expression for the transfer function

$$H(s) = \frac{(s-3)(s+2)}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+3)(s+4)} = \frac{(s-3)}{(s+1)(s+3)(s+4)}.$$

The poles of $H(s)$ are located at $s = -1, -3, -4$. Possible choices of the ROC are:

Choice 1: ROC: $\text{Re}\{s\} > -1$.

Choice 2: ROC: $-3 < \text{Re}\{s\} < -1$.

Choice 3: ROC: $-4 < \text{Re}\{s\} < -3$.

Choice 4: ROC: $\text{Re}\{s\} < -4$.

- For a causal implementation of $H(s)$, the ROC must cover most of the right half of the s -plane to ensure that $h_1(t)$ is a right hand sided sequence. The overall ROC is therefore given by ROC: $\text{Re}\{s\} > -1$.

Taking the partial fraction expansion of $H(s)$ gives

$$H(s) = \frac{(s-3)}{(s+1)(s+3)(s+4)} = -\underbrace{\frac{2/3}{(s+1)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-1} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{(s+3)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-3} - \underbrace{\frac{7/3}{(s+4)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-4}.$$

Taking the inverse Laplace transform gives

$$h_1(t) = -\frac{2}{3}e^{-t}u(t) + 3e^{-3t}u(t) - \frac{7}{3}e^{-4t}u(t).$$

Since all three terms in $h_1(t)$ decay to 0 as $t \rightarrow \infty$, $h_1(t)$ is stable.

- For a left hand sided implementation of $H(s)$, the ROC must cover most of the left half of the s -plane. The overall ROC is therefore given by ROC: $\text{Re}\{s\} < -4$.

Taking the partial fraction expansion of $H(s)$ gives

$$H(s) = \frac{(s-3)}{(s+1)(s+3)(s+4)} = -\underbrace{\frac{2/3}{(s+1)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}<-1} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{(s+3)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}<-3} - \underbrace{\frac{7/3}{(s+4)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}<-4}.$$

Taking the inverse Laplace transform gives

$$h_2(t) = \frac{2}{3} e^{-t} u(-t) - 3e^{-3t} u(-t) + \frac{7}{3} e^{-4t} u(-t).$$

Note that $h_2(t)$ is not stable because all three terms are unstable.

- (d) For a double sided implementation of $H(s)$, the ROC must consist of a narrow strip within the s -plane. The overall ROC is therefore given by ROC: $(-3 < \text{Re}\{s\} < -1)$, or, ROC: $(-4 < \text{Re}\{s\} < -3)$.

If ROC: $(-3 < \text{Re}\{s\} < -1)$, then $H(s)$ is expressed as

$$H(s) = \frac{(s-3)}{(s+1)(s+3)(s+4)} = - \underbrace{\frac{2/3}{(s+1)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}<-1} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{(s+3)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-3} - \underbrace{\frac{7/3}{(s+4)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-4}.$$

Taking the inverse Laplace transform gives

$$h_3(t) = \frac{2}{3} e^{-t} u(-t) + 3e^{-3t} u(t) - \frac{7}{3} e^{-4t} u(t).$$

Note that such $h_3(t)$ is not stable because the term $\frac{2}{3} e^{-t} u(-t)$ is not stable.

On the other hand, if ROC: $(-4 < \text{Re}\{s\} < -3)$, then $H(s)$ is expressed as

$$H(s) = \frac{(s-3)}{(s+1)(s+3)(s+4)} = - \underbrace{\frac{2/3}{(s+1)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}<-1} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{(s+3)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}<-3} - \underbrace{\frac{7/3}{(s+4)}}_{\text{ROC:Re}\{s\}>-4}.$$

Taking the inverse Laplace transform gives

$$h_4(t) = \frac{2}{3} e^{-t} u(-t) - 3e^{-3t} u(-t) - \frac{7}{3} e^{-4t} u(t).$$

Note that such $h_4(t)$ is not stable because the terms $\frac{2}{3} e^{-t} u(-t)$ and $3e^{-3t} u(-t)$ are not stable.

- (e) As shown above, the implementation $h_1(t)$ with the overall ROC given by ROC: $\text{Re}\{s\} > -1$ is stable. The remaining implementations $h_2(t)$, $h_3(t)$, and $h_4(t)$ are unstable.