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- Definition:

$$f(t) \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathbb{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s) = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt$$

time domain frequency domain

- Usefulness:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{differential} & \longrightarrow & \text{algebraic} \\ \text{equations} & & \text{equations} \end{array}$$

- Analogy:

$$a \quad \rightarrow \quad \log a$$
$$a \cdot b \quad \rightarrow \quad \log a + \log b$$

# Circuit Analysis Using Laplace Transforms

**Time domain  
(t domain)**



Linear  
Circuit



Differential  
equation



Classical  
techniques



Response  
waveform

**Complex frequency  
domain (s domain)**



Algebraic  
equation



Algebraic  
techniques



Response  
transform



Laplace Transform

$\mathcal{L}$



Inverse Transform

$\mathcal{L}^{-1}$

# Basic Laplace Transform Pairs

| Signal        | Waveform $f(t)$                    | Transform $F(s)$                                |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Impulse       | $\delta(t)$                        | 1   |
| Step function | $u(t)$                             | $\frac{1}{s}$                                   |
| Ramp          | $tu(t)$                            | $\frac{1}{s^2}$                                 |
| Exponential   | $[e^{-\alpha t}]u(t)$              | $\frac{1}{s + \alpha}$                          |
| Damped ramp   | $[te^{-\alpha t}]u(t)$             | $\frac{1}{(s + \alpha)^2}$                      |
| Sine          | $[\sin \beta t]u(t)$               | $\frac{\beta}{s^2 + \beta^2}$                   |
| Cosine        | $[\cos \beta t]u(t)$               | $\frac{s}{s^2 + \beta^2}$                       |
| Damped sine   | $[e^{-\alpha t} \sin \beta t]u(t)$ | $\frac{\beta}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \beta^2}$        |
| Damped cosine | $[e^{-\alpha t} \cos \beta t]u(t)$ | $\frac{(s + \alpha)}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \beta^2}$ |

# Laplace Transform of Some Basic Functions

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{L}\{\delta(t)\} &= \int_{0^-}^{\infty} \delta(t)e^{-st} dt \\ &= \int_{0^-}^{0^+} \delta(t)e^{-st} dt \\ &= \int_{0^-}^{0^+} \delta(t) dt \\ &= 1\end{aligned}$$

# Laplace Transform of Some Basic Functions

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} &= \int_{0^-}^{\infty} u(t)e^{-st} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \left[ -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \right]_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{s}\end{aligned}$$

# Laplace Transform of Some Basic Functions

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{L}\{t \cdot u(t)\} &= \int_{0^-}^{\infty} t \cdot u(t) e^{-st} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-st} dt \\ &= \left[ t \left( -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \right) \right]_0^{\infty} + \frac{1}{s} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{s^2}\end{aligned}$$

# Laplace Transform of Some Basic Functions

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\{e^{-\alpha t}\} &= \int_{0^-}^{\infty} e^{-\alpha t} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \int_{0^-}^{\infty} e^{-(s+\alpha)t} dt \\ &= \left[ -\frac{1}{s+\alpha} e^{-(s+\alpha)t} \right]_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{s+\alpha}\end{aligned}$$



# Basic Laplace Transformation Properties

| Properties            | Time Domain                               | Frequency Domain                           |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Independent variable  | $t$                                       | $s$  |
| Signal representation | $f(t)$                                    | $F(s)$                                     |
| Uniqueness            | $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\} (=) [f(t)]u(t)$ | $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$               |
| Linearity             | $Af_1(t) + Bf_2(t)$                       | $AF_1(s) + BF_2(s)$                        |
| Integration           | $\int_0^t f(\tau)d\tau$                   | $\frac{F(s)}{s}$                           |
| Differentiation       | $\frac{df(t)}{dt}$                        | $sF(s) - f(0-)$                            |
|                       | $\frac{d^2 f(t)}{dt^2}$                   | $s^2 F(s) - sf(0-) - f'(0-)$               |
|                       | $\frac{d^3 f(t)}{dt^3}$                   | $s^3 F(s) - s^2 f(0-) - sf'(0-) - f''(0-)$ |

# Proofs of Basic Laplace Transformation Properties

$$\mathbb{L}\left\{\int_0^t f(\tau)d\tau\right\} = \frac{F(s)}{s}$$

Proof: 
$$\mathbb{L}\left\{\int_0^t f(\tau)d\tau\right\} = \int_0^\infty \left[\int_0^t f(\tau)d\tau\right] e^{-st} dt$$

$$= \left[ -\frac{e^{-st}}{s} \int_0^t f(\tau)d\tau \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty f(t) \left( -\frac{e^{-st}}{s} \right) dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{s} \int_0^\infty f(t) e^{-st} dt = \frac{F(s)}{s}$$

# Proofs of Basic Laplace Transformation Properties

$$\mathbb{L}\left\{\frac{df(t)}{dt}\right\} = sF(s) - f(0^-)$$

Proof: 
$$\mathbb{L}\left\{\frac{df(t)}{dt}\right\} = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} \frac{df(t)}{dt} e^{-st} dt$$

$$= \left[ f(t) e^{-st} \right]_{0^-}^{\infty} - \int_{0^-}^{\infty} f(t) (-s e^{-st}) dt$$

$$= -f(0^-) + s \int_{0^-}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-st} dt = sF(s) - f(0^-)$$

# Poles and Zeros of F(s)

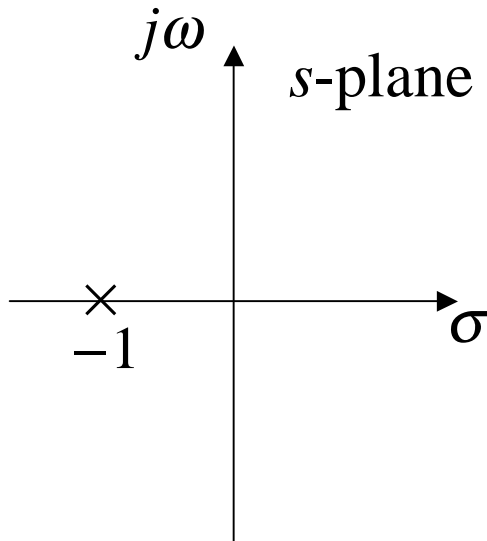
$$F(s) = \frac{b_m s^m + b_{m-1} s^{m-1} + \dots + b_1 s + b_0}{a_n s^n + a_{n-1} s^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 s + a_0}$$

$$F(s) = K \frac{(s - z_1)(s - z_2) \dots (s - z_m)}{(s - p_1)(s - p_2) \dots (s - p_n)}$$

- Scale factor:  $K = b_m/a_n$
  - Poles:  $s = p_k$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ )
  - Zeros:  $s = z_k$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$ )
- } Critical frequencies

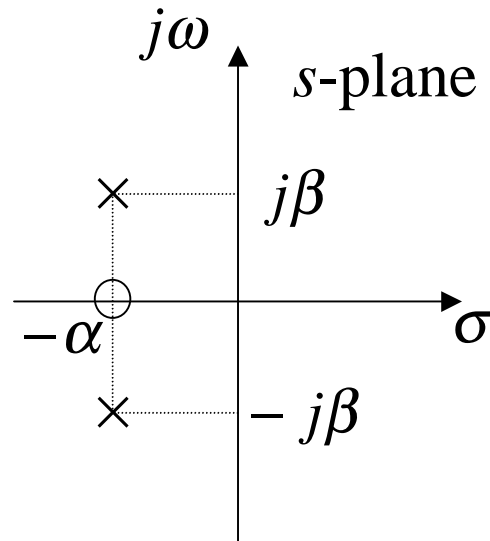
# Pole-Zero Diagrams

× pole location  
○ zero location



$$F(s) = \frac{1}{s+1}$$

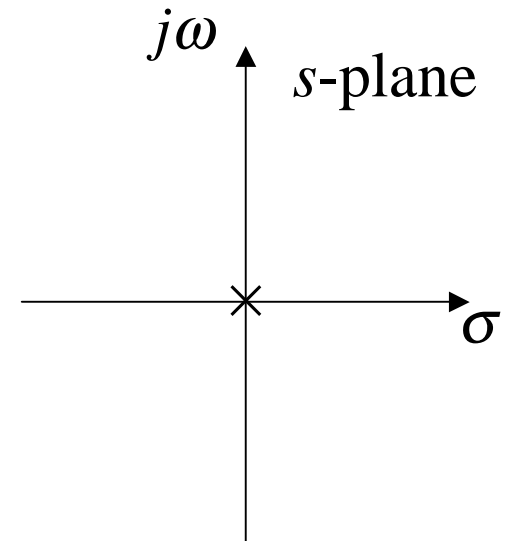
pole :  $s = -1$



$$F(s) = \frac{A(s+\alpha)}{(s+\alpha)^2 + \beta^2}$$

zero :  $s = -\alpha$

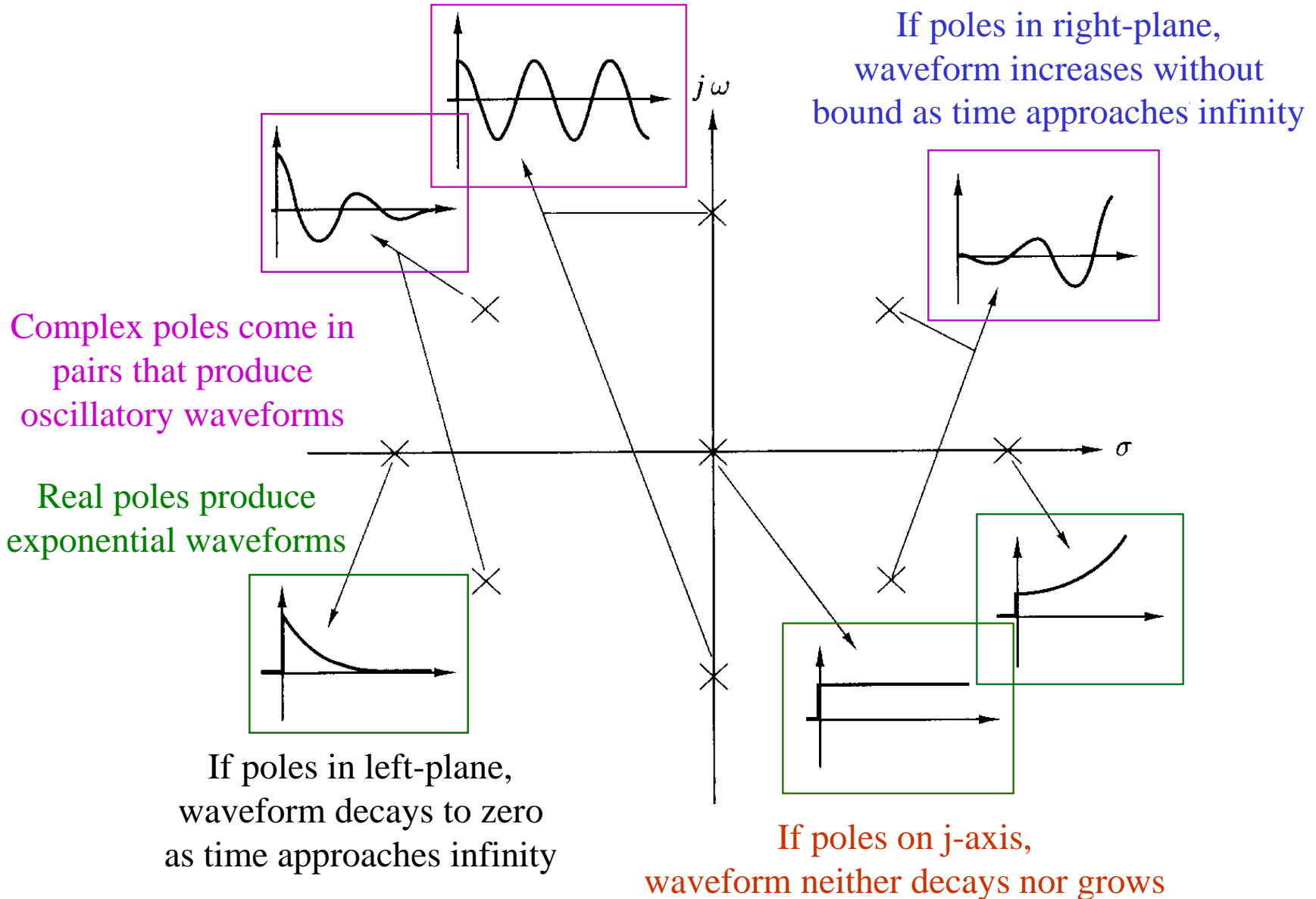
poles :  $s = -\alpha \pm j\beta$



$$F(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

pole :  $s = 0 + j0$

# Poles and Waveforms



# Inverse Laplace Transforms

$$F(s) = K \frac{(s - z_1)(s - z_2) \dots (s - z_m)}{(s - p_1)(s - p_2) \dots (s - p_n)}$$

- $m < n$ , i.e.,  $F(s)$  is a proper rational function

$$F(s) = \frac{k_1}{(s - p_1)} + \frac{k_2}{(s - p_2)} + \dots + \frac{k_n}{(s - p_n)} \quad k_i : \text{residues}$$

$$f(t) = \left( k_1 e^{p_1 t} + k_2 e^{p_2 t} + \dots + k_n e^{p_n t} \right) u(t)$$

- How to determine  $k$ 's?

- Distinct poles:  $k_i = (s - p_i) F(s) \Big|_{s=p_i}$

- Repeated poles of multiplicity  $r$ :  $r$  associated residues

$$k_i^0 = (s - p_i)^r F(s) \Big|_{s=p_i}$$

$$k_i^q = \frac{d^q}{ds^q} (s - p_i)^r F(s) \Big|_{s=p_i} \quad q = 1 \dots r - 1$$

# Example of Inverse Laplace Transforms

$$F(s) = K \frac{(s - z_1)}{(s - p_1)(s - p_2)(s - p_3)} = \frac{k_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{k_2}{s - p_2} + \frac{k_3}{s - p_3}$$

- Multiply with  $(s - p_1)$

$$(s - p_1)F(s) = K \frac{(s - z_1)}{(s - p_2)(s - p_3)} = k_1 + \frac{k_2(s - p_1)}{s - p_2} + \frac{k_3(s - p_1)}{s - p_3}$$

- Set  $s = p_1$

$$(s - p_1)F(s) \Big|_{s=p_1} = K \frac{(p_1 - z_1)}{(p_1 - p_2)(p_1 - p_3)} = k_1$$

- Similarly,

$$k_2 = (s - p_2)F(s) \Big|_{s=p_2}$$

$$k_3 = (s - p_3)F(s) \Big|_{s=p_3}$$



# Example of Inverse Laplace Transforms

$$F(s) = K \frac{(s - z_1)}{(s - p_1)(s - p_2)^2} = \frac{k_1}{s - p_1} + \frac{k_2^0}{(s - p_2)^2} + \frac{k_2^1}{s - p_2}$$

- Multiply with  $(s - p_2)^2$

$$(s - p_2)^2 F(s) = K \frac{(s - z_1)}{(s - p_1)} = \frac{k_1 (s - p_2)^2}{s - p_1} + k_2^0 + k_2^1 (s - p_2)$$

- Set  $s = p_2$

$$(s - p_2)^2 F(s) \Big|_{s=p_2} = K \frac{(p_2 - z_1)}{(p_2 - p_1)} = k_2^0$$

- Differentiate w.r.t.  $s$

$$\frac{d}{ds} (s - p_2)^2 F(s) \Big|_{s=p_2} = k_2^1$$

# Inverse Laplace Transforms

- $m \geq n$ , i.e.,  $F(s)$  is an improper rational function

- For example:

$$F(s) = \frac{s^3 + 6s^2 + 12s + 8}{s^2 + 4s + 3}$$

$$= s + 2 + \frac{s + 2}{s^2 + 4s + 3} = s + 2 + \frac{1/2}{s + 1} + \frac{1/2}{s + 3}$$

- Recall:  $\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t)\} = 1$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d\delta(t)}{dt}\right\} = s\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t)\} - \delta(0^-) = s$$

- Inverse transform:  $f(t) = \underbrace{\frac{d\delta(t)}{dt} + 2\delta(t)}_{\text{Pathologic waveforms}} + \left[\frac{1}{2}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-3t}\right]u(t)$

Pathologic waveforms

- Pathological waveforms usually do not occur in real circuits
- Improper rational functions may occur during manipulation

# Additional Laplace Transform Properties and Pairs

| Feature              | Time Domain  | Frequency Domain  |
|----------------------|--|---|
| Simple complex poles | $[2 k e^{-\alpha t} \cos(\beta t + \angle k)] u(t)$  | $\frac{k}{s + \alpha - j\beta} + \frac{k^*}{s + \alpha + j\beta}$         |
| Double complex poles | $[2 k te^{-\alpha t} \cos(\beta t + \angle k)] u(t)$ | $\frac{k}{(s + \alpha - j\beta)^2} + \frac{k^*}{(s + \alpha + j\beta)^2}$ |
| t translation        | $[f(t - a)]u(t - a)$                                 | $e^{-as} F(s)$  |
| s translation        | $e^{-\alpha t} f(t)$                                 | $F(s + \alpha)$   |
| Scaling              | $f(at)$  | $\frac{1}{a} F\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$                                   |
| Initial value        | $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} f(t)$                      | $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s F(s)$                                      |
| Final value          | $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t)$                   | $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s F(s)$   |
| Convolution          | $\int_0^t f_1(\tau) f_2(t - \tau) d\tau$             | $F_1(s) F_2(s)$   |

# Proofs of Some Additional Properties

t translation: If  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$ ,

then  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t-\alpha)u(t-\alpha)\} = e^{-\alpha s} F(s)$  for  $\alpha > 0$

Proof:  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t-\alpha)u(t-\alpha)\} = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} f(t-\alpha)u(t-\alpha)e^{-st} dt$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} f(t')e^{-s(t'+\alpha)} dt' \quad \text{Let } t' = t - \alpha$$

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

# Proofs of Some Additional Properties

Scaling: If  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$ ,

$$\text{then } \mathcal{L}\{f(\alpha t)\} = \frac{1}{\alpha} F\left(\frac{s}{\alpha}\right) \text{ for } \alpha > 0$$

Proof:  $\mathcal{L}\{f(\alpha t)\} = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} f(\alpha t) e^{-st} dt$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} f(t') e^{-(s/\alpha)t'} d\left(\frac{t'}{\alpha}\right) \quad \text{Let } t' = \alpha t$$

$$= \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^{\infty} f(t') e^{-(s/\alpha)t'} dt' = \frac{1}{\alpha} F\left(\frac{s}{\alpha}\right)$$

# Proofs of Some Additional Properties

Initial/Final Values:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} f(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sF(s)$

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

Proof:  $sF(s) - f(0^-) = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} \frac{df(t)}{dt} e^{-st} dt$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (sF(s) - f(0^-)) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int_{0^-}^{0^+} \frac{df(t)}{dt} e^{-st} dt + \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int_{0^+}^{\infty} \frac{df(t)}{dt} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \int_{0^-}^{0^+} \frac{df(t)}{dt} e^{-0} dt + 0 = f(0^+) - f(0^-) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sF(s) = f(0^+)$$

# Proofs of Some Additional Properties

Proof of Initial/Final Values:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} (sF(s) - f(0^-)) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \int_{0^-}^{\infty} \frac{df(t)}{dt} e^{-st} dt \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \int_{0^-}^{\infty} \frac{df(t)}{dt} e^{-0} dt = f(\infty) - f(0^-) \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sF(s) &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t)\end{aligned}$$

- Initial-value property holds when  $F(s)$  is a proper rational function ( $f(0^+)$  is well defined)
- Final-value property holds when poles of  $sF(s)$  are in the left-half plane (except for a simple pole at the origin)

# Proofs of Some Additional Properties

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Convolution Property: } \mathbb{L}^{-1}\{F_1(s)F_2(s)\} &= \int_0^t f_1(\tau) f_2(t-\tau) d\tau \\ &= \int_0^t f_2(\tau) f_1(t-\tau) d\tau\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Proof: } F_1(s) = \int_{0^-}^{\infty} f_1(\tau) e^{-s\tau} d\tau$$

$$\begin{aligned}F_1(s)F_2(s) &= \int_{0^-}^{\infty} f_1(\tau) (F_2(s) e^{-s\tau}) d\tau \\ &= \int_{0^-}^{\infty} f_1(\tau) \left( \int_{0^-}^{\infty} f_2(t-\tau) u(t-\tau) e^{-st} dt \right) d\tau \\ &= \int_{0^-}^{\infty} \left( \int_{0^-}^t f_1(\tau) f_2(t-\tau) d\tau \right) e^{-st} dt\end{aligned}$$



# Example of Convolution Property

Show: 
$$\mathbb{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(s + \alpha)^2} \right\} = te^{-\alpha t}$$

Proof: 
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(s + \alpha)} \cdot \frac{1}{(s + \alpha)} \right\} &= \int_0^t e^{-\alpha\tau} e^{-\alpha(t-\tau)} d\tau \\ &= \int_0^t e^{-\alpha t} d\tau = te^{-\alpha t} \end{aligned}$$