

- If  $x_1(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} X_1(s)$  with ROC  $R_1$  and  $x_2(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} X_2(s)$  with ROC  $R_2$ , then
 
$$a_1 x_1(t) + a_2 x_2(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} a_1 X_1(s) + a_2 X_2(s)$$
 with ROC  $R$  containing  $R_1 \cap R_2$ ,
 where  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are arbitrary complex constants.
- This is known as the **linearity property** of the Laplace transform.
- The ROC always contains the intersection but could be larger (in the case that pole-zero cancellation occurs).

- If  $x(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} X(s)$  with ROC  $\mathcal{R}$ , then

$$x(t - t_0) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} e^{-st_0} X(s) \quad \text{with ROC } \mathcal{R}$$

where  $t_0$  is an arbitrary real constant.

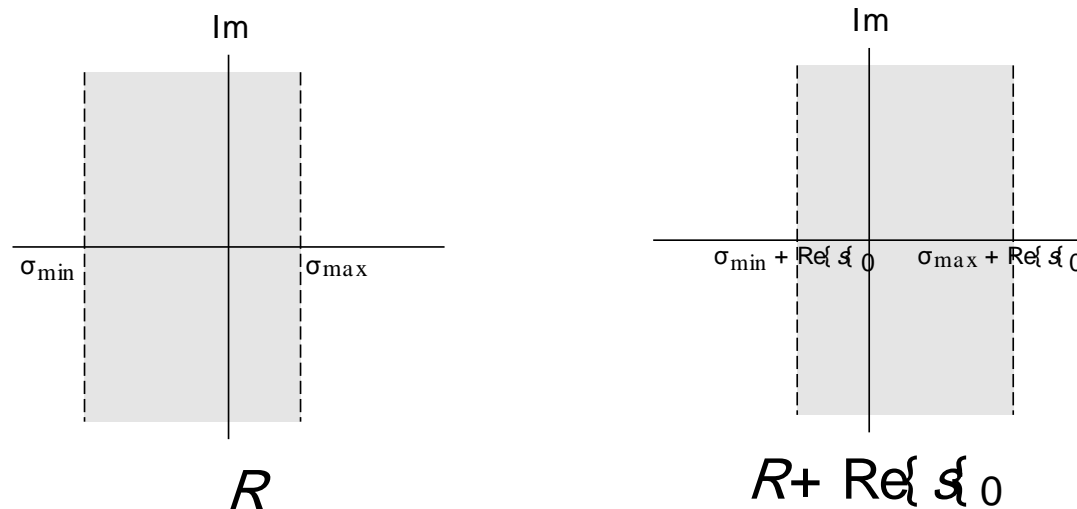
- This is known as the **time-domain shifting property** of the Laplace transform.

- If  $x(t) \xrightarrow{\text{LT}} X(s)$  with ROC  $R$ , then

$$e^{s_0 t} x(t) \xrightarrow{\text{LT}} X(s - s_0) \quad \text{with ROC } R + \text{Re}\{s_0\}$$

where  $s_0$  is an arbitrary complex constant.

- This is known as the **Laplace-domain shifting property** of the Laplace transform.
- As illustrated below, the ROC  $R$  is *shifted* right by  $\text{Re}\{s_0\}$

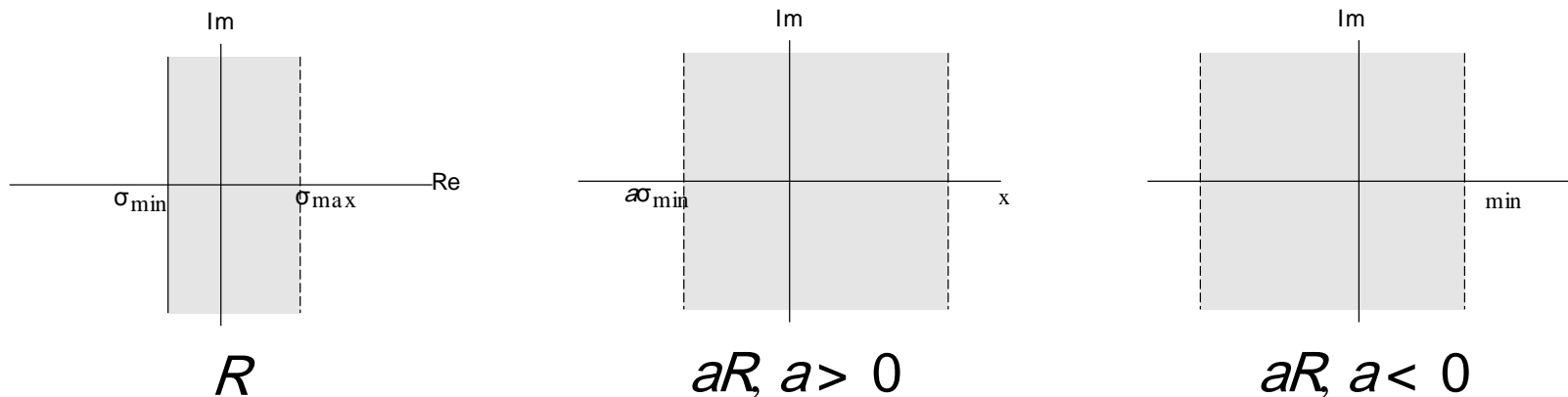


- If  $x(t) \xrightarrow{\text{LT}} X(s)$  with ROC  $R$ , then

$$x(at) \xrightarrow{\text{LT}} \left( \frac{1}{|a|} X\left(\frac{s}{a}\right) \right) \text{ with ROC } R_1 = aR$$

where  $a$  is a nonzero real constant.

- This is known as the **(time-domain/Laplace-domain) scaling property** of the Laplace transform.
- As illustrated below, the ROC  $R$  is *scaled* and *possibly flipped* left to right.



- If  $x(t) \xrightarrow{\text{LT}} X(s)$  with ROC  $\mathcal{R}$ , then

$$x^*(t) \xrightarrow{\text{LT}} X^*(s^*) \text{ with ROC } \mathcal{R}.$$

- This is known as the **conjugation property** of the Laplace transform.

- If  $x_1(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} X_1(s)$  with ROC  $R_1$  and  $x_2(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} X_2(s)$  with ROC  $R_2$ , then

$$x_1 * x_2(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} X_1(s) X_2(s) \text{ with ROC containing } R_1 \cap R_2$$

- This is known as the **time-domain convolution property** of the Laplace transform.
- The ROC always contains the intersection but can be larger than the intersection (if pole-zero cancellation occurs.)
- Convolution in the time domain becomes *multiplication* in the Laplace domain.
- Consequently, it is often much easier to work with LTI systems in the Laplace domain, rather than the time domain.

- If  $x(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} X(s)$  with ROC  $R$ , then

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} sX(s) \text{ with ROC containing } R.$$

- This is known as the **time-domain differentiation property** of the Laplace transform.
- The ROC always contains  $R$  but can be larger than  $R$  (if pole-zero cancellation occurs).
- Differentiation in the time domain becomes *multiplication by  $s$*  in the Laplace domain.
- Consequently, it can often be much easier to work with differential equations in the Laplace domain, rather than the time domain.

- If  $x(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} X(s)$  with ROC  $\mathcal{R}$ , then

$$-tx(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{LT}} \frac{dX(s)}{ds} \text{ with ROC } \mathcal{R}$$

- This is known as the **Laplace-domain differentiation property** of the Laplace transform.



- If  $x(t) \xrightarrow{\text{LT}} X(s)$  with ROC  $R$ , then

$$\int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau \xrightarrow{\text{LT}} \frac{1}{s} X(s) \text{ with ROC containing } R \cap \{\operatorname{Re}\{s\} > 0\}.$$

- This is known as the **time-domain integration property** of the Laplace transform.
- The ROC always contains at least  $R \cap \{\operatorname{Re}\{s\} > 0\}$  but can be larger (if pole-zero cancellation occurs).
- Integration in the time domain becomes *division by  $s$*  in the Laplace domain.
- Consequently, it is often much easier to work with integral equations in the Laplace domain, rather than the time domain.

- For a function  $x$  with Laplace transform  $X$ , if  $x$  is *causal* and contains *no impulses or higher order singularities at the origin*, then

$$x(0^+) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sX(s),$$

where  $x(0^+)$  denotes the limit of  $x(t)$  as  $t$  approaches zero from positive values of  $t$ .

- This result is known as the *initial value theorem*.

- For a function  $x$  with Laplace transform  $X$ , if  $x$  is *causal* and  $x(t)$  has a *finite limit* as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sX(s).$$

- This result is known as the **final value theorem**.
- Sometimes the initial and final value theorems are useful for checking for errors in Laplace transform calculations. For example, if we had made a mistake in computing  $X(s)$ , the values obtained from the initial and final value theorems would most likely disagree with the values obtained directly from the original expression for  $x(t)$ .

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## Section 6.4

# Determination of Inverse Laplace Transform

- Recall that the inverse Laplace transform  $x$  of  $X$  is given by

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\sigma_- - j\infty}^{\sigma_+ + j\infty} X(s) e^{st} ds,$$

where  $\text{Re}\{s\} = \sigma$  is in the ROC of  $X$ .

- Unfortunately, the above contour integration can often be *quite tedious* to compute.
- Consequently, we do not usually compute the inverse Laplace transform directly using the above equation.
- For rational functions, the inverse Laplace transform can be more easily computed using *partial fraction expansions*.
- Using a partial fraction expansion, we can express a rational function as a sum of lower-order rational functions whose inverse Laplace transforms can typically be found in tables.

## Section 6.5

# Laplace Transform and LTI Systems