

# Definitions of the Laplace Transform (1A)

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# Improper Integral

Hiding the limiting process

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$I = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} I$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} L \text{ converge} \\ \infty \text{ diverge} \end{array} \right.$

$$\int_a^{+\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow -\infty} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$I = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow -\infty} I$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} L \text{ converge} \\ \infty \text{ diverge} \end{array} \right.$

$$\int_{-\infty}^b f(x) dx$$

$$\lim_{c \rightarrow b^-} \int_a^c f(x) dx$$

$$I = \int_a^c f(x) dx$$

$$\lim_{c \rightarrow b^-} I$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} L \text{ converge} \\ \infty \text{ diverge} \end{array} \right.$

$$\int_a^{b^-} f(x) dx$$

$$\lim_{c \rightarrow a^+} \int_c^b f(x) dx$$

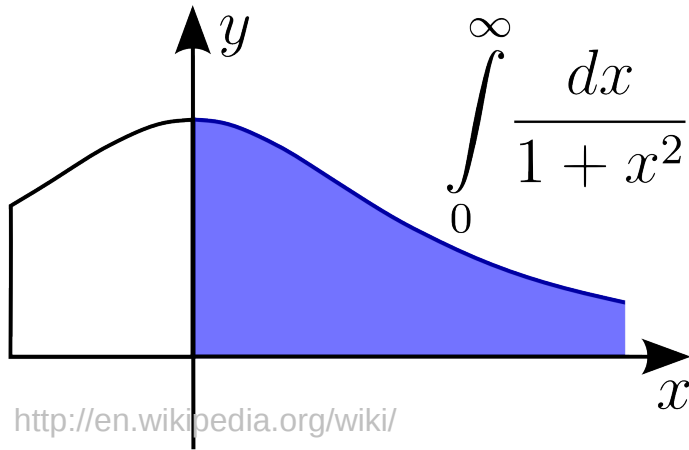
$$I = \int_c^b f(x) dx$$

$$\lim_{c \rightarrow a^+} I$$

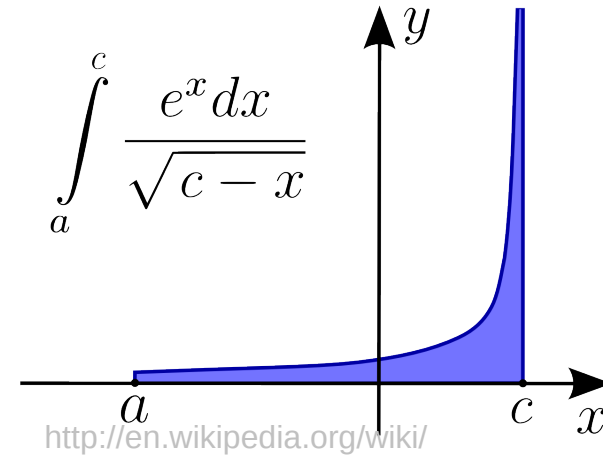
$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} L \text{ converge} \\ \infty \text{ diverge} \end{array} \right.$

$$\int_{a^+}^b f(x) dx$$

# Improper Integral Examples



$$\lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \int_a^b f(x) dx \quad \rightarrow \quad \int_a^{+\infty} f(x) dx$$



$$\lim_{b \rightarrow c^-} \int_a^b f(x) dx \quad \rightarrow \quad \int_a^{c^-} f(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{x} \right]_1^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{1} \right) = 1 \quad \text{converge} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \int_a^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \left[ 2\sqrt{x} \right]_a^1 \\ &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} (2 - 2\sqrt{a}) = 2 \quad \text{converge} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \infty \quad f(0)$$

# An Improper Integration

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

Complex Number

Real Number

Real Number

$$s = \sigma + i\omega$$

$\mathcal{R}\{s\}$  real part

$\mathcal{I}\{s\}$  imag part

Integration Variable

The improper integral **converges** if the limit defining it exists.

# F(s) : a function of s

For a given function f(t)

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

$$g(s, t) = f(t) e^{-st}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} G(s, t) = g(s, t)$$

**G**: an antiderivative of **g**  
with respect to **t**

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} g(s, t) dt &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} [G(s, t)]_0^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} [G(s, b) - G(s, 0)] \end{aligned}$$

During integration, complex variable **s** is treated as a **constant**  
In the result, the literal **t** vanishes

$$\int_0^{\infty} g(s, t) dt = F(s) \quad \text{a function of } s$$

# An Integration Function

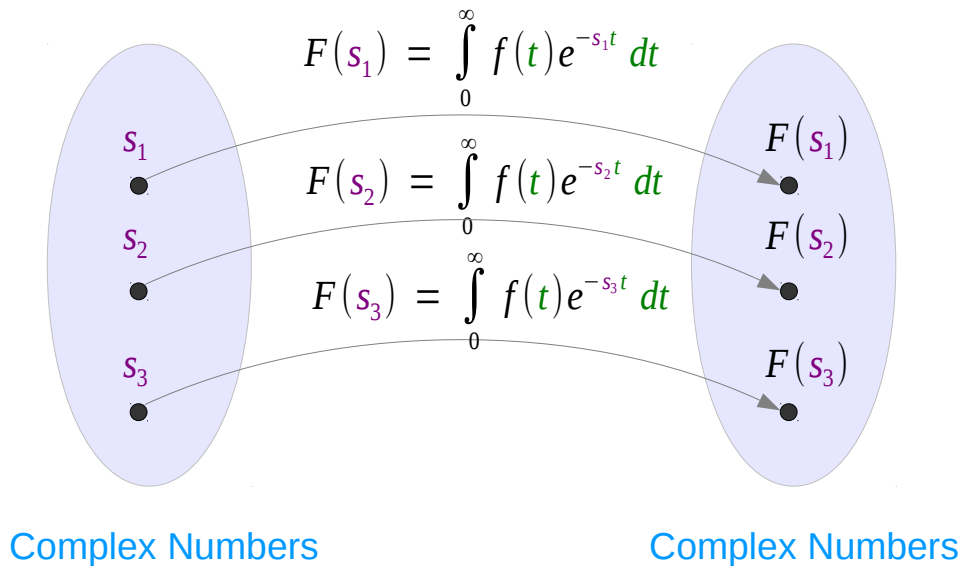
For a given function  $f(t)$

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

Complex Number      Real Number

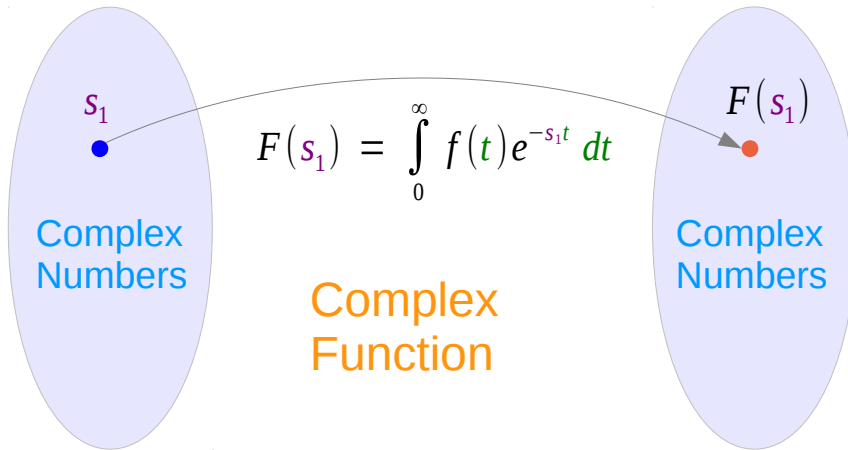
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$t$       Real Number  
Integration Variable



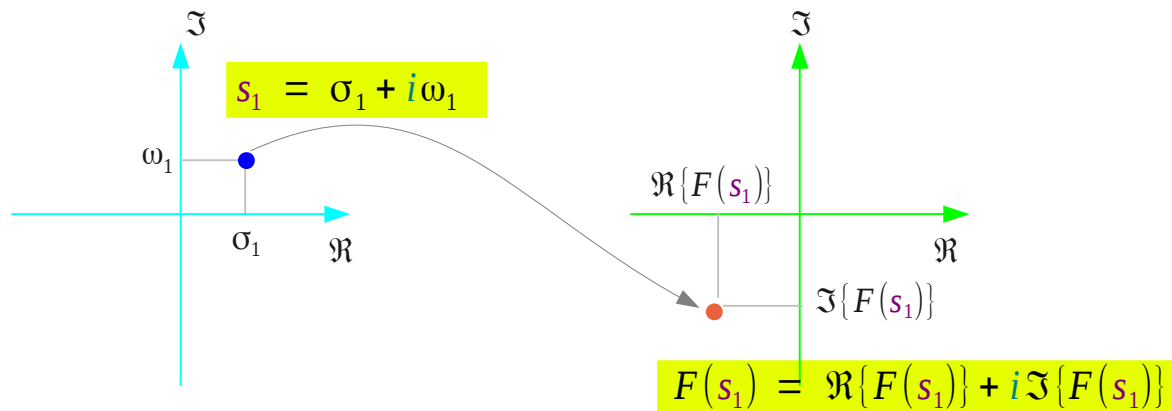
# F(s) : a Complex Function

For a given function f(t)



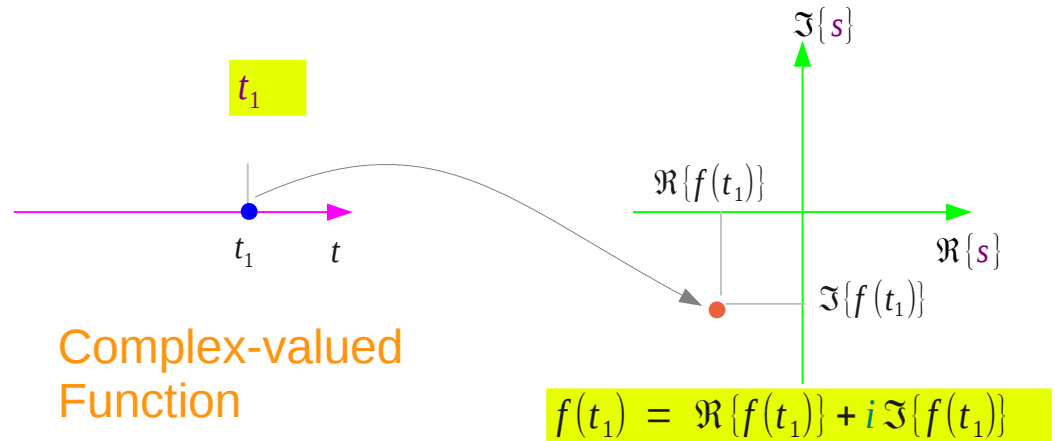
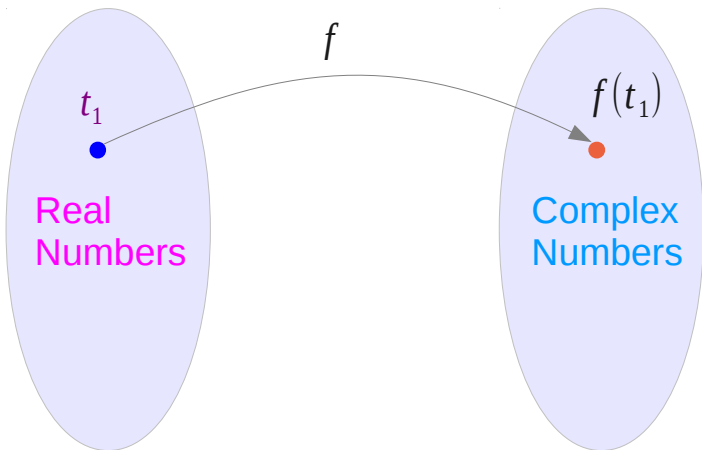
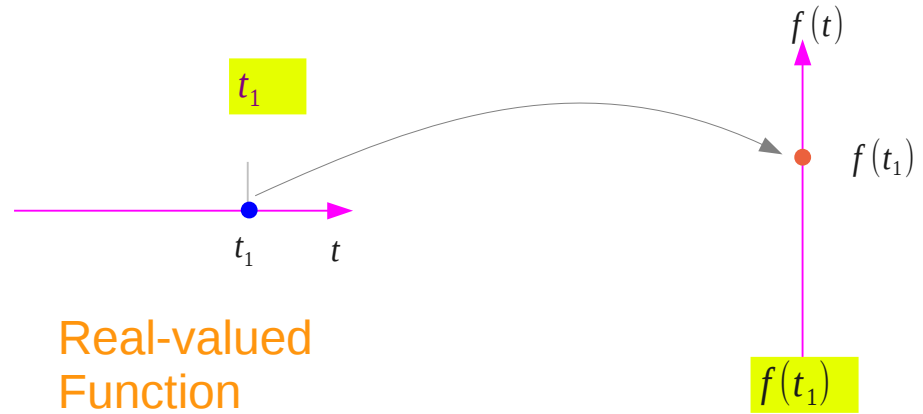
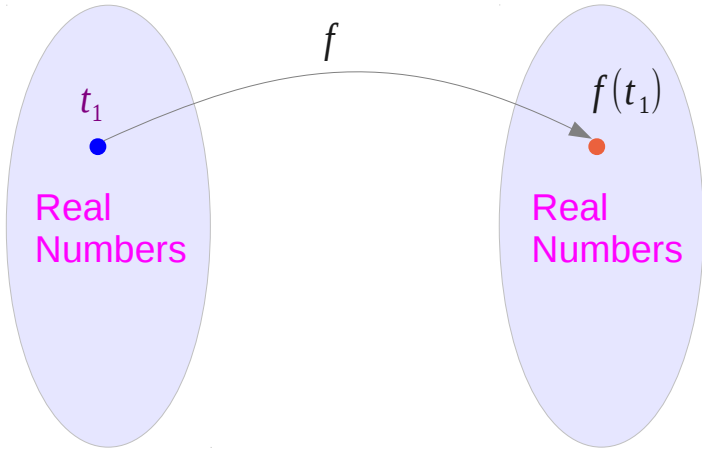
Complex Number      Real Number

$$S = \sigma + i\omega$$

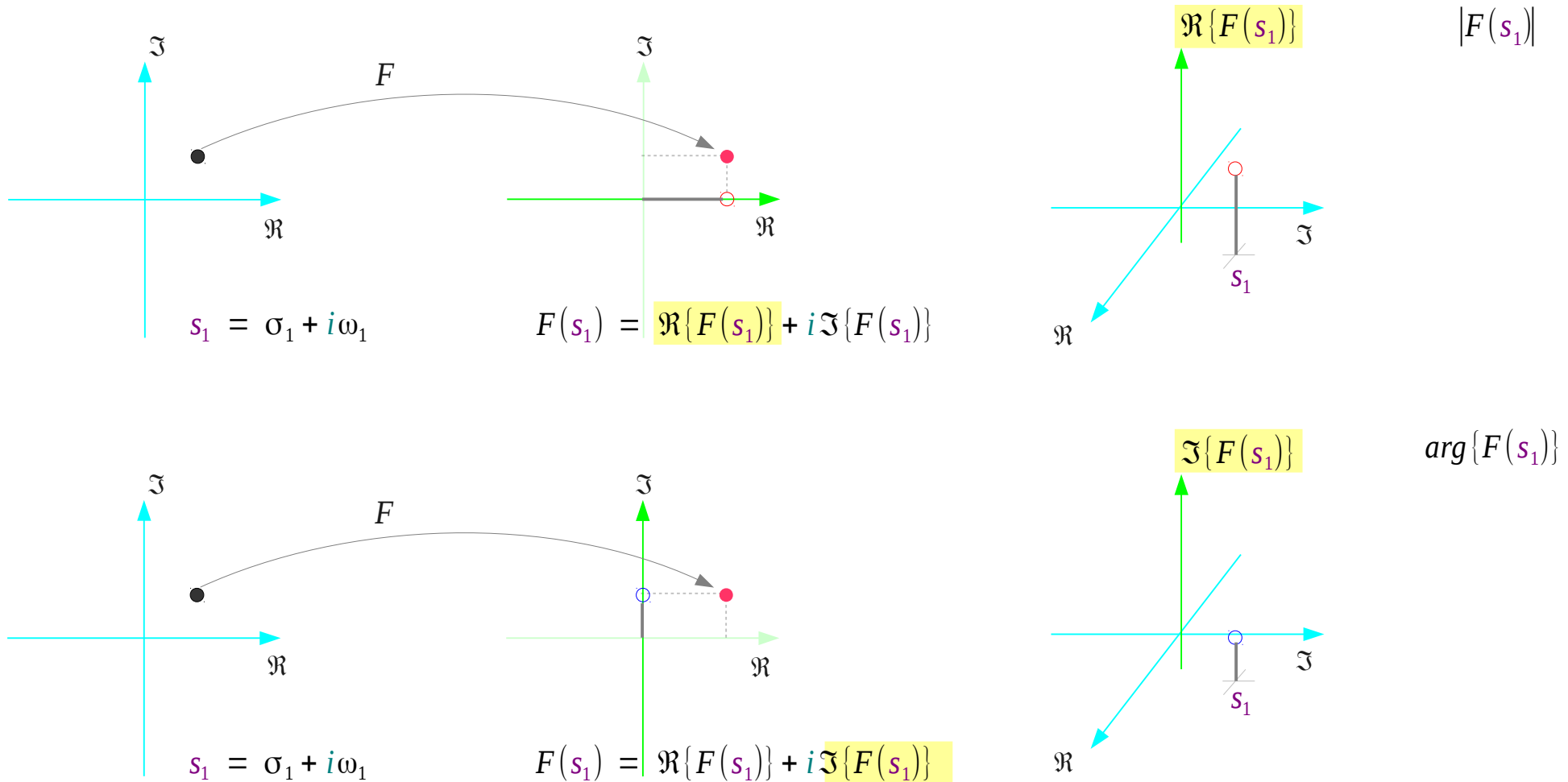




# $f(t)$ : a real-valued or complex-valued function



# Complex Function Plot

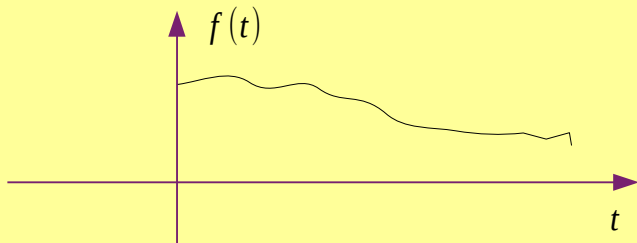


# Two Functions: $f(t)$ & $F(s)$

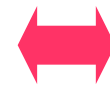
For a given function  $f(t)$   
there exists a unique  $F(s)$

$$f(t) \longleftrightarrow F(s)$$

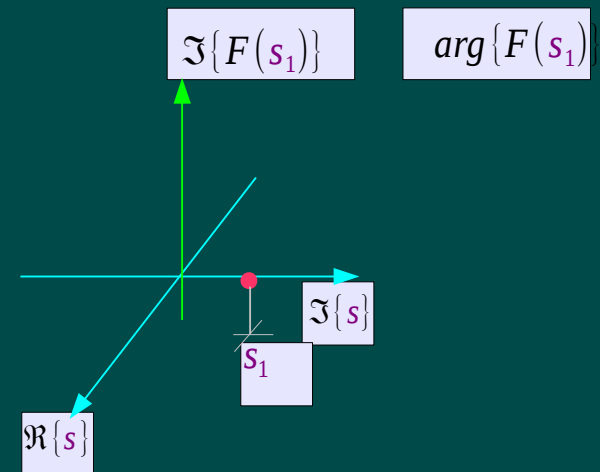
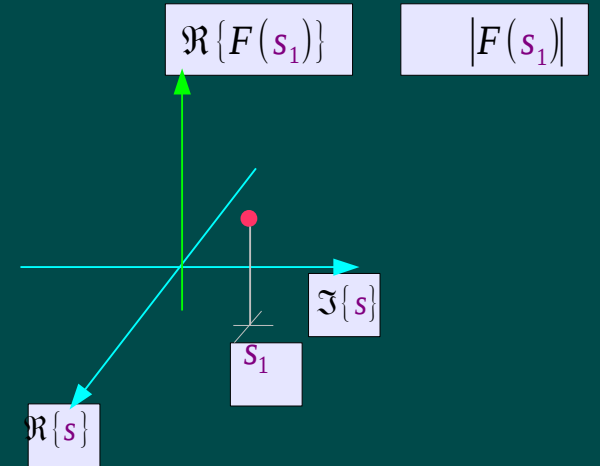
t-domain function  $f(t)$



Real number domain function  $f(t)$

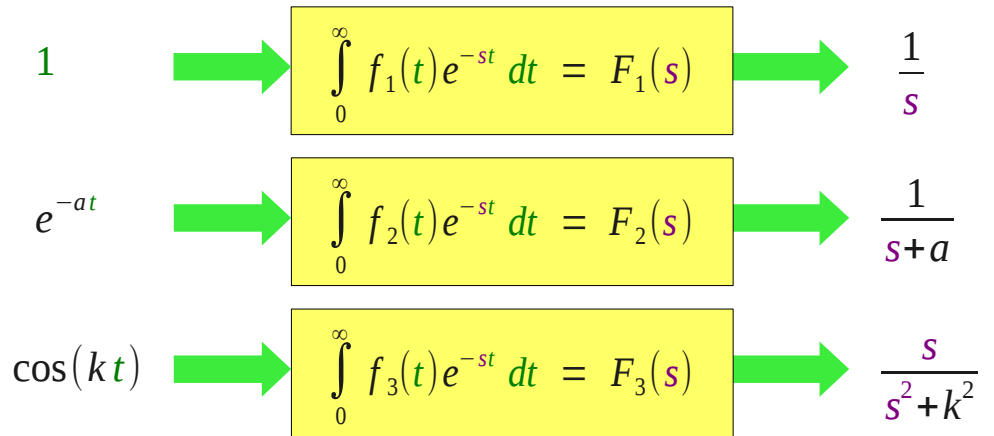
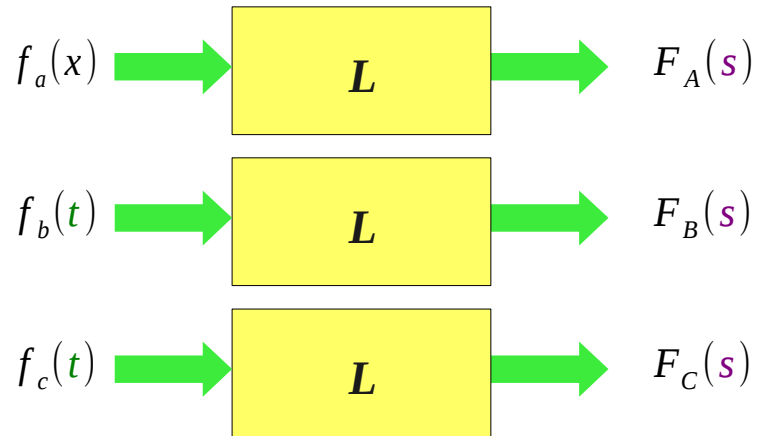


s-domain function  $F(s)$

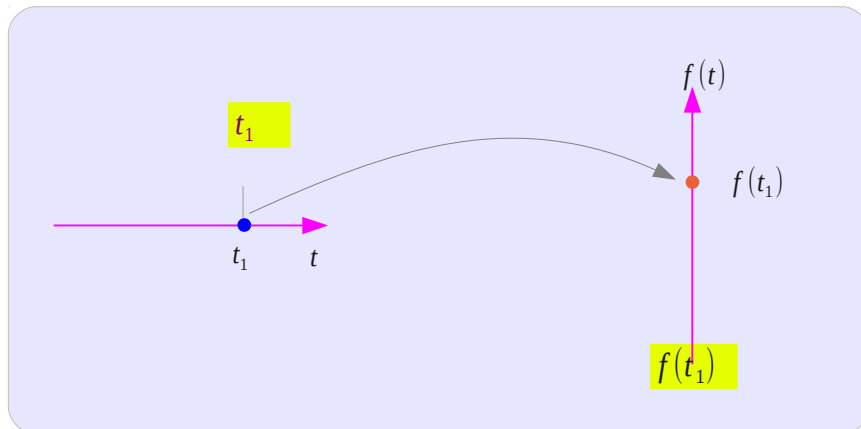


Complex number domain function  $F(s)$

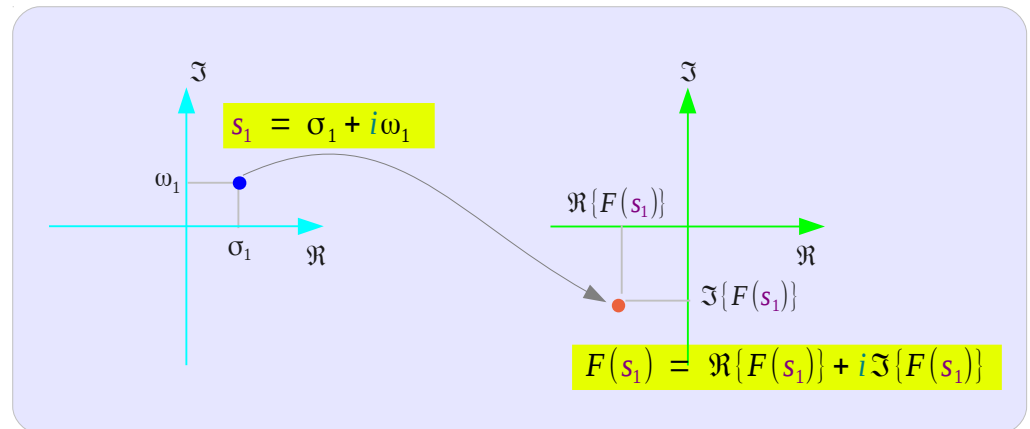
# Laplace Transform



$f_a(x)$  Real-valued Function



$F_A(s)$  Complex Function



# Laplace transforms of 1 and $\exp(-at)$

$$1 \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \frac{1}{s}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} 1 \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \right]_0^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{s} e^{-sb} + \frac{1}{s} e^{-s \cdot 0} \right]$$

$$-s < 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-sb} = 0 \quad \boxed{s > 0} \quad \rightarrow \quad F(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

$$e^{-at} \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \frac{1}{s+a}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-at} \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{(s+a)} e^{-(s+a)t} \right]_0^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{(s+a)} e^{-(s+a)b} + \frac{1}{(s+a)} e^{-(s+a) \cdot 0} \right]$$

$$-(s+a) < 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(s+a)b} = 0 \quad \boxed{s > -a} \quad \rightarrow \quad F(s) = \frac{1}{(s+a)}$$

# Laplace transforms of $\exp(+at)$ and $\exp(-at)$

$$e^{-at} \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \frac{1}{s+a}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-at} \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{(s+a)} e^{-(s+a)t} \right]_0^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{(s+a)} e^{-(s+a)b} + \frac{1}{(s+a)} e^{-(s+a)0} \right]$$

$$-(s+a) < 0 \rightarrow \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(s+a)b} = 0 \quad s > -a \rightarrow F(s) = \frac{1}{(s+a)}$$

$$e^{+at} \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \frac{1}{s-a}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{+at} \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{(s-a)} e^{-(s-a)t} \right]_0^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{(s-a)} e^{-(s-a)b} + \frac{1}{(s-a)} e^{-(s-a)0} \right]$$

$$-(s-a) < 0 \rightarrow \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(s-a)b} = 0 \quad s > +a \rightarrow F(s) = \frac{1}{(s-a)}$$

# Laplace transforms of $\cosh(kt)$ and $\sinh(kt)$

$$\cosh(kt) \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \frac{s}{s^2 - k^2}$$

$$\cosh(kt) = \frac{e^{+kt} + e^{-kt}}{2}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(e^{+kt} + e^{-kt})}{2} \cdot e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{+kt} \cdot e^{-st} dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-kt} \cdot e^{-st} dt$$

$$s > +k \rightarrow \frac{1}{(s-k)} \quad s > -k \rightarrow \frac{1}{(s+k)}$$

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{(s-k)} + \frac{1}{(s+k)} \right) = \frac{s}{(s^2 - k^2)}$$

$$\sinh(kt) \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \frac{k}{s^2 - k^2}$$

$$\sinh(kt) = \frac{e^{+kt} - e^{-kt}}{2}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(e^{+kt} - e^{-kt})}{2} \cdot e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{+kt} \cdot e^{-st} dt - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-kt} \cdot e^{-st} dt$$

$$s > +k \rightarrow \frac{1}{(s-k)} \quad s > -k \rightarrow \frac{1}{(s+k)}$$

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{(s-k)} - \frac{1}{(s+k)} \right) = \frac{k}{(s^2 - k^2)}$$

# Laplace transforms of $\cos(kt)$ and $\sin(kt)$

$$\cos(kt) \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \frac{s}{s^2+k^2}$$

$$\cos(kt) = \frac{e^{+jkt} + e^{-jkt}}{2}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(e^{+jkt} + e^{-jkt})}{2} \cdot e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{+jkt} \cdot e^{-st} dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-jkt} \cdot e^{-st} dt$$

$$s > 0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{(s-j\omega)} \quad s > 0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{(s+j\omega)}$$

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{(s-j\omega)} + \frac{1}{(s+j\omega)} \right) = \frac{s}{(s^2+k^2)}$$

$$\sin(kt) \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \frac{k}{s^2+k^2}$$

$$\sin(kt) = \frac{e^{+jkt} - e^{-jkt}}{2j}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(e^{+jkt} - e^{-jkt})}{2j} \cdot e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{2j} \int_0^{\infty} e^{+jkt} \cdot e^{-st} dt - \frac{1}{2j} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-jkt} \cdot e^{-st} dt$$

$$s > 0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{(s-j\omega)} \quad s > 0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{(s+j\omega)}$$

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{(s-j\omega)} - \frac{1}{(s+j\omega)} \right) = \frac{k}{(s^2+k^2)}$$



# Laplace transform of $\cos(kt)$

$$\cos(kt) \xrightarrow{\quad L \quad} \frac{s}{s^2+k^2}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \cos(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left[ \frac{1}{k} \sin(kt) e^{-st} \right]_0^b - \int_0^{\infty} -\frac{s}{k} \sin(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt \right\}$$

$$\frac{s}{k} \int_0^{\infty} \sin(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s}{k} \left\{ \left[ -\frac{1}{k} \cos(kt) e^{-st} \right]_0^b - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{s}{k} \cos(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt \right\}$$

$$\star \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left[ \frac{1}{k} \sin(kt) e^{-st} \right]_0^b \right\} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{k} \sin(kb) e^{-sb} - \frac{1}{k} \sin(k0) e^{-s0} \right\} = 0$$

$$\blacklozenge \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left[ -\frac{1}{k} \cos(kt) e^{-st} \right]_0^b \right\} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ -\frac{1}{k} \cos(kb) e^{-sb} + \frac{1}{k} \cos(k0) e^{-s0} \right\} = \frac{1}{k}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \cos(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s}{k} \left\{ \frac{1}{k} - \frac{s}{k} \int_0^{\infty} \cos(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt \right\}$$

$$F(s) = \frac{s}{k^2} - \frac{s^2}{k^2} F(s) \Rightarrow \left(1 + \frac{s^2}{k^2}\right) F(s) = \frac{s}{k^2} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{s^2+k^2}{k^2}\right) F(s) = \frac{s}{k^2}$$

$$F(s) = \frac{s}{(s^2+k^2)}$$

# Laplace transform of $\sin(kt)$

$$\sin(kt) \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \frac{k}{s^2+k^2}$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \sin(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left[ -\frac{1}{k} \cos(kt) e^{-st} \right]_0^b - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{s}{k} \cos(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt \right\}$$

$$\frac{s}{k} \int_0^{\infty} \cos(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s}{k} \left\{ \left[ +\frac{1}{k} \sin(kt) e^{-st} \right]_0^b - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{s}{k} \sin(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt \right\}$$

$$\star \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left[ -\frac{1}{k} \cos(kt) e^{-st} \right]_0^b \right\} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ -\frac{1}{k} \cos(kb) e^{-sb} + \frac{1}{k} \cos(k0) e^{-s0} \right\} = \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\color{red}\blacklozenge \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left[ +\frac{1}{k} \sin(kt) e^{-st} \right]_0^b \right\} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ +\frac{1}{k} \sin(kb) e^{-sb} - \frac{1}{k} \sin(k0) e^{-s0} \right\} = 0$$

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} \sin(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{k} - \frac{s^2}{k^2} \int_0^{\infty} \sin(kt) \cdot e^{-st} dt \right\}$$

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{k} - \frac{s^2}{k^2} F(s) \Rightarrow \left(1 + \frac{s^2}{k^2}\right) F(s) = \frac{1}{k} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{s^2+k^2}{k^2}\right) F(s) = \frac{1}{k}$$

$$F(s) = \frac{k}{(s^2+k^2)}$$

# Integration by parts

$$f(x)g(x) \xrightarrow{\frac{d}{dx}} f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$$

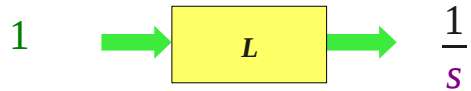
$$\frac{d}{dx}(fg) = \frac{df}{dx}g + f\frac{dg}{dx}$$

$$f(x)g(x) \xleftarrow{\int \cdot dx} f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$$

$$fg = \int f'g dx + \int fg' dx$$

$$\int f(x)g'(x) dx = f(x)g(x) - \int f'(x)g(x) dx$$

# Region of Convergence



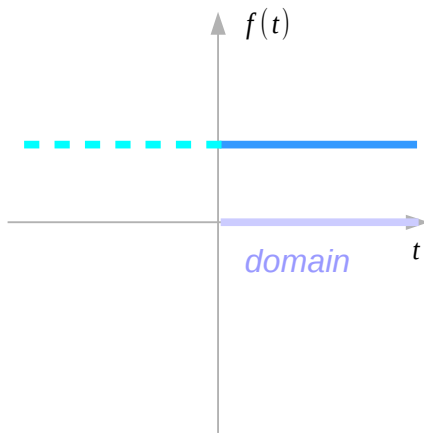
$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \right]_0^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{s} e^{-sb} + \frac{1}{s} e^{-s0} \right] = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{s} e^{-sb} + \frac{1}{s} \right]$$

$$-s < 0 \iff -\Re\{s\} < 0$$

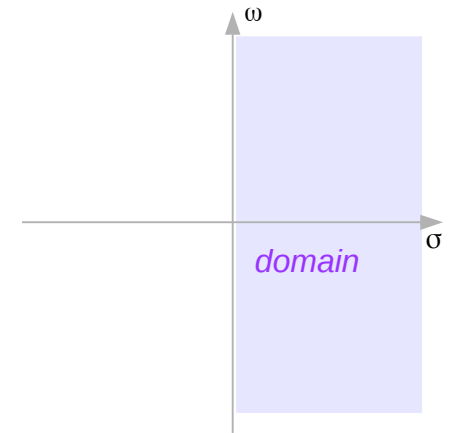
$$-(\sigma + i\omega) < 0 \iff -\sigma < 0$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-sb} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(\sigma + i\omega)b} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-b\sigma} e^{+ib\omega} = 0$$

$|e^{+ib\omega}| = 1$



right-sided function  $t > 0$



right-sided ROC  $\sigma > 0$

$$-(s+a) < 0 \implies \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(s+a)b} = 0 \quad s > -a \implies F(s) = \frac{1}{(s+a)}$$

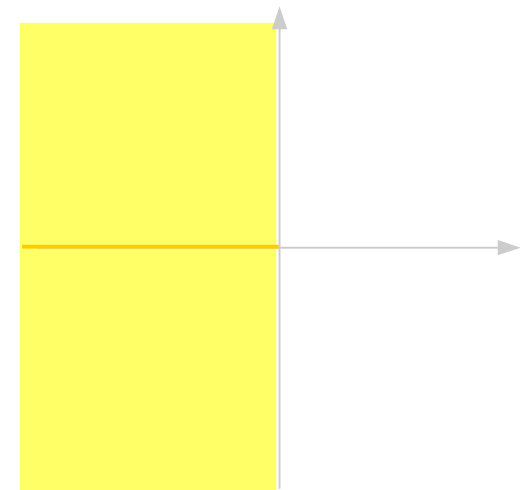
# Converging Improper Integrals

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} e^{+kt} dt = \left[ \frac{1}{k} e^{kt} \right]_{t_1}^{t_2} = \frac{1}{k} \cdot (e^{kt_2} - e^{kt_1})$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{+kt} dt = \left[ \frac{1}{k} e^{kt} \right]_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{k} \cdot (e^{k \cdot \infty} - e^{k \cdot 0})$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\frac{1}{k} \\ +\frac{1}{k} \cdot (e^{j\omega} - 1) \end{array} \right. \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \Re\{k\} < 0 \rightarrow e^{k \cdot \infty} \rightarrow 0 \\ \leftarrow \Re\{k\} = 0 \rightarrow e^{k \cdot \infty} \rightarrow e^{j\omega} \end{array} \right.$$

$$k = \sigma + j\omega$$



# Exponential Order

## Laplace Transform

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

for  $s > 0$   $\Re(s) > 0$   
 the integral converges  
 if  $f(t)$  does not grow too rapidly

the growth rate of a function  $f(t)$

## Exponential Order $\alpha$

a function  $f$  has exponential order  $\alpha$



there exist constants  $M > 0$  and  $\alpha$   
 such that for some  $t > t_0$

$$|f(t)| \leq M e^{\alpha t}, \quad t > t_0$$

*right-sided*

$$\int_0^{\infty} |f(t)|e^{-\sigma t} dt < \infty \quad \text{for some } \sigma \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} |f(t)e^{-st}| dt = \int_0^{\infty} |f(t)e^{-xt}e^{-iyt}| dt = \int_0^{\infty} |f(t)e^{-xt}| dt < \int_0^{\infty} |f(t)|e^{-\sigma t} dt < \infty \quad \text{for } s > \sigma \quad \Re(s) > \sigma$$

$$f(t) \text{ exponential order } \sigma \quad \longrightarrow \quad F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt \quad \text{absolutely converges for } s > \sigma$$

# Convergence of the Laplace Transform

## Laplace Transform

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

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \{f(t)e^{-xt}\} e^{-iyt} dt$$

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

$$(|e^{-st}| = |e^{-xt}| |e^{-iyt}| = e^{-xt})$$

$f(t)$  continuous on  $[0, \infty)$   
 $f(t) = 0$  for  $t < 0$   
 $f(t)$  has exponential order  $\alpha$   
 $f'(t)$  piecewise continuous on  $[0, \infty)$

right-sided function  $t > 0$



$F(s)$  converges absolutely  
for  $\text{Re}(s) > \alpha$

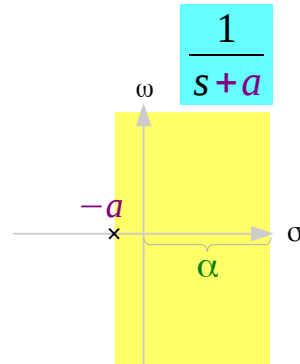
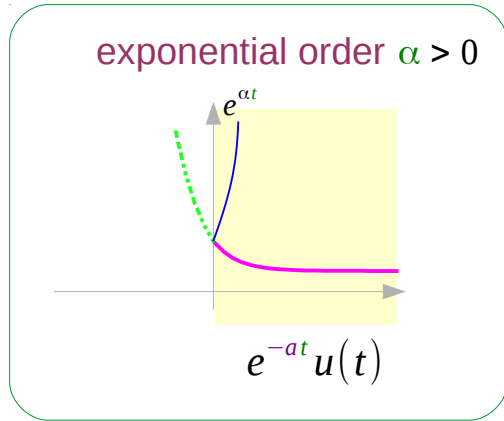
$$\int_0^{\infty} |f(t)e^{-st}| dt < \infty$$

right-sided ROC  $\sigma > 0$

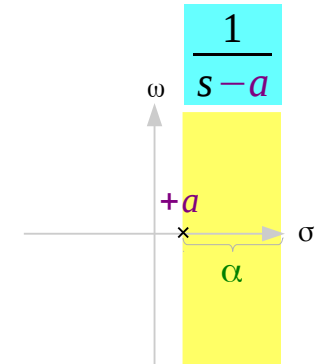
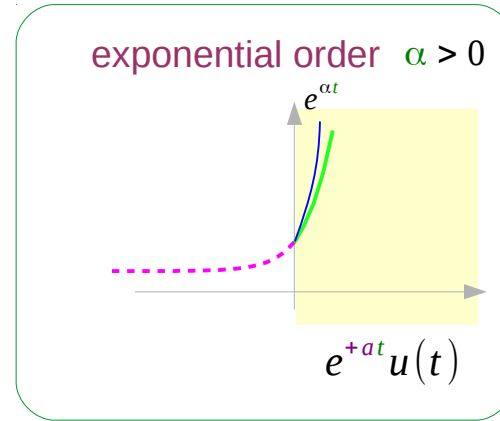
# Exponential Order and ROC

$$a > 0 \quad \alpha > 0 \quad \beta < 0$$

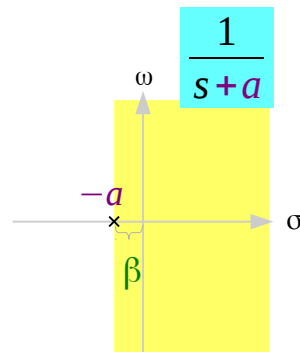
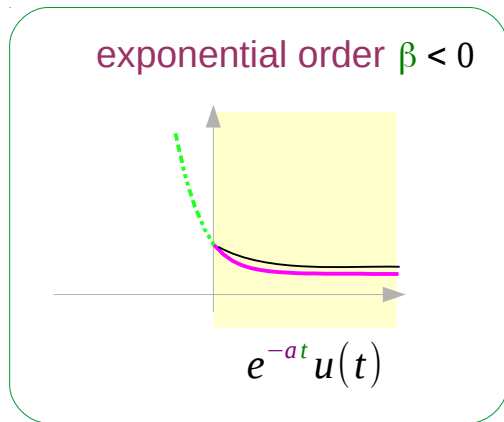
Right-sided function



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# Forward and Inverse Laplace Transform

Forward Laplace Transform

$$f(t) \longrightarrow F(s)$$

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

Inverse Laplace Transform

$$f(t) \longleftarrow F(s)$$

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\sigma-j\infty}^{\sigma+j\infty} F(s) e^{st} ds$$

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