

Answer on Question #57026 – Math – Calculus

Question

Find $L^{-1}\left\{\frac{z}{z^2+2z-3}\right\}$.

Solution

$$\frac{z}{z^2+2z-3} = \frac{z}{(z-1)(z+3)} = \frac{A}{z-1} + \frac{B}{z+3} = \frac{A(z+3)+B(z-1)}{(z-1)(z+3)} \quad (1).$$

Substitute for $z = 1$ into the left-hand and right-hand sides of (1) and obtain $1=4A$, hence

$$A = \frac{1}{4}.$$

Now substitute for $z = -3$ into the left-hand and right-hand sides of (1) and obtain

$$-3=-4B, \text{ hence } B = \frac{3}{4}.$$

So we got

$$\frac{z}{z^2+2z-3} = \frac{1}{4(z-1)} + \frac{3}{4(z+3)}.$$

Using linearity of the inverse transform of Laplace and the table of the inverse transform of Laplace we get:

$$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{4(z-1)} + \frac{3}{4(z+3)}\right\} = \frac{1}{4}L^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{z-1}\right\} + \frac{3}{4}L^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{z+3}\right\} = \frac{1}{4}e^t + \frac{3}{4}e^{-3t}.$$

Answer: $\frac{1}{4}e^t + \frac{3}{4}e^{-3t}$.