

# MAP 2302, Exam III, Spring 2015

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**Write final answers on this sheet when able. Turn in all relevant work on separate sheets. Full work is required for full credit.**

- (1) [15] Find the Laplace transform of the following function:

$f(t) = 1 - (t - 1)^2$  if  $0 < t < 2$  and  $f$  is periodic of period 2.

$f_2(t) = \Pi_{0,2}(t)(1 - (t - 1)^2) = (u(t) - u(t - 2))(2t - t^2)$  so we have

$$\begin{aligned} F_2(s) &= \mathcal{L}\{(2t - t^2) - u(t - 2)(2t - t^2)\} \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{s^2} - \frac{2}{s^3}\right) - e^{-2s}\mathcal{L}\{2(t + 2) - (t + 2)^2\} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $2(t + 2) - (t + 2)^2 = -t^2 - 2t$  we have

$$F_2(s) = \left(\frac{2}{s^2} - \frac{2}{s^3}\right) - e^{-2s}\left(\frac{-2}{s^3} - \frac{2}{s^2}\right)$$

We conclude from this that

$$F(s) = \frac{\left(\frac{2}{s^2} - \frac{2}{s^3}\right) - e^{-2s}\left(\frac{-2}{s^3} - \frac{2}{s^2}\right)}{1 - e^{-2s}}$$

- (2) [20] Find the inverse Laplace transform of the following functions:

(a) [12]  $F(s) = \frac{2s - 3}{s^2 - 4s + 8}$

Since  $b^2 - 4ac = 16 - 40 = -36 < 0$  the denominator is irreducible. We will proceed by completing the square and trying to match the transforms of  $e^{at} \sin(bt)$  and  $e^{at} \cos(bt)$ .

$$\frac{2s - 3}{s^2 - 4s + 8} = \frac{2s - 3}{(s - 2)^2 + 4}$$

We now see that  $a = 2, b = 2$ , so we rewrite the above as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2s - 3}{(s - 2)^2 + 4} &= \frac{2(s - 2) + 1}{(s - 2)^2 + 4} \\ &= 2\frac{s - 2}{(s - 2)^2 + 4} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{2}{(s - 2)^2 + 4} \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}$  we obtain

$$f(t) = 2e^{2t} \cos(2t) + \frac{1}{2}e^{2t} \sin(2t)$$

(b) [8]  $F(s) = e^{-2s} \frac{2s - 3}{s^2 - 4s + 8}$

From the previous result we can immediately write

$$f(t) = u(t - 2)(2e^{2(t-2)} \cos(2(t - 2)) + \frac{1}{2}e^{2(t-2)} \sin(2(t - 2)))$$

(3) [25] Solve the following IVP:

$$y'' + 3y' + 2y = \delta(t - 2); \quad y(1) = 0, y'(1) = 1$$

[+5] Is the solution continuous? Is its derivative continuous?

First we have to shift the initial conditions. Let  $w(t) = y(t + 1)$ . The transformed IVP is

$$w'' + 3w' + 2w = \delta(t - 1); \quad w(0) = 0, w'(0) = 1$$

Taking the Laplace transform we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} s^2W - 1 + 3sW + 2W &= e^{-s} \\ W(s^2 + 3s + 2) &= e^{-s} + 1 \\ W &= e^{-s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 3s + 2} + \frac{1}{s^2 + 3s + 2} \end{aligned}$$

The partial fractions work is omitted here, but one can obtain that

$$\frac{1}{s^2 + 3s + 2} = \frac{1}{s + 2} - \frac{1}{s + 1}.$$

Then we can apply the inverse to get

$$w = u(t - 1) \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s + 2} - \frac{1}{s + 1} \right\} (t - 1) + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s + 2} - \frac{1}{s + 1} \right\} (t)$$

Since  $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s+2} - \frac{1}{s+1} \right\} (t) = e^{-2t} - e^{-t}$  we have

$$w = u(t - 1) \left( e^{-2(t-1)} - e^{-(t-1)} \right) + \left( e^{-2t} - e^{-t} \right)$$

Finally we use  $w(t - 1) = y(t)$  to obtain the solution

$$y(t) = u(t - 2) \left( e^{-2(t-2)} - e^{-(t-2)} \right) + \left( e^{-2(t-1)} - e^{-(t-1)} \right)$$

(4) Answer the following related questions:

(a) [15] Take the Laplace transform of the following IVP:

$$t^2 y'' + 4t y' + 2y = t + 2; \quad y(0) = 2, y'(0) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{t^2 y''\} &= \frac{d^2}{ds^2} \mathcal{L}\{y''\}(s) \\ &= \frac{d^2}{ds^2} (s^2 Y - s y(0) - y'(0)) \\ &= \frac{d}{ds} (s^2 Y' + 2s Y - y(0)) \\ &= s^2 Y'' + 2s Y' + 2s Y' + 2Y \\ &= s^2 Y'' + 4s Y' + 2Y \end{aligned}$$

By the same process we get  $\mathcal{L}\{ty'\} = -(sY' + Y)$ . Then the transform of the above is

$$\begin{aligned} s^2Y'' + 4sY' + 2Y - 4sY' - 4Y + 2Y &= \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{2}{s} \\ s^2Y'' &= \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{2}{s} \\ Y'' &= \frac{1}{s^4} + \frac{2}{s^3} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) [10] Find  $y$  if  $\frac{d^2}{ds^2}Y(s) = \frac{1}{s^4} + \frac{2}{s^3}$ . Since  $\frac{d^2}{ds^2}Y(s) = \mathcal{L}\{t^2y\}$  we can rewrite the equation as

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^2y\} = \frac{1}{s^4} + \frac{2}{s^3}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} t^2y &= \frac{t^3}{6} + t^2 \\ y &= \frac{t}{6} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) [+5] Why isn't  $y$  from part (b) a solution to the IVP from part (a)?

- (5) [5] Write a formula for computing  $\mathcal{L}\{y'''\}$  in terms of  $\mathcal{L}\{y\}$ .

This one is straight from the table. Apply the formula for  $\mathcal{L}\{y'\}$  three times and you get

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'''\} = s^3Y - s^2y(0) - sy'(0) - y''(0)$$

- (6) [5] Suppose that  $f$  is continuous and periodic. For what values of  $s$  is  $F(s)$  guaranteed to exist? **Justify your answer.**

If  $f$  is of period  $T$ , then so is  $|f(t)|$ . Then  $|f|$  has a maximum value  $M$  on  $[0, T]$  and hence  $M$  is a maximum value on  $[0, \infty)$ . Then  $|f(t)| \leq M = Me^{0t}$  gives that  $f$  is of exponential order 0 so  $F(s)$  exists for  $s > 0$ .

- (7) [5] Given a function  $f$  which is PWC and of exponential order find  $(f * \delta)(t)$ . **Hint:** Either use the definition of convolution or use  $\mathcal{L}$ .

$(f * \delta)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(v)\delta(t-v)dv = f(t)$ . Or by taking  $\mathcal{L}$  we have  $\mathcal{L}\{f * \delta\} = \mathcal{L}\{f\} * \mathcal{L}\{\delta\} = \mathcal{L}\{f\}$ . Taking the inverse transform gives  $(f * \delta)(t) = f(t)$

- (8) [+5] Find a continuous function  $f$  defined on  $[0, \infty)$  which is not of exponential order  $\alpha$  for any choice of  $\alpha$  but  $\mathcal{L}\{f\}(s)$  exists for  $s > 0$ .