

MATH 3705* A Test 1 Solutions January 2019

Questions 1-5 are multiple choice. Circle the correct answer. Only the answer will be marked. [12 marks].

1. [2] $\mathcal{L}\{e^{-4t} \cos(3t)\} =$

(a) $\frac{s+4}{(s+4)^2+9}$ (b) $\frac{4s}{s^2+9}$ (c) $\frac{s-4}{(s-4)^2+9}$ (d) None of the above

2. [2] $\mathcal{L}\{t \sin(3t)\} =$

(a) $\frac{6s}{(s^2+9)^2}$ (b) $\frac{s^2-9}{(s^2+9)^2}$ (c) $\frac{9-s^2}{(s^2+9)^2}$ (d) None of the above

3. [2] $\mathcal{L}\{u(t-1)e^{2t}\} =$

(a) $\frac{e^{-s}}{s-2}$ (b) $\frac{e^{1-s}}{s+2}$ (c) $\frac{e^{2-s}}{s-2}$ (d) None of the above

4. [3] $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2s}{s^2-25}\right\} =$

(a) $e^{5t} - e^{-5t}$ (b) $e^{5t} + e^{-5t}$ (c) $-\cos(5t)$ (d) None of the above

5. [3] $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3s+6}{s^2-4s+13}\right\} =$

(a) $3e^{2t} \cos(3t) + 4e^{2t} \sin(3t)$ (b) $3e^{-2t} \cos(3t) + \frac{9}{4}e^{-2t} \sin(3t)$

(c) $3e^{2t} \cos(3t) + \frac{9}{4}e^{2t} \sin(3t)$ (d) None of the above

Answers: 1.(a), 2.(a), 3.(c), 4.(b), 5.(a).

6. [4 marks] Let $f(t) = e^t$ for $0 < t < 1$ and $f(t+1) = f(t)$ for all $t \geq 0$. Find $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$.

Solution:

Since f is periodic with the period $\omega = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} &= \frac{1}{1 - e^{-s}} \int_0^1 e^t e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-s}} \int_0^1 e^{t(1-s)} dt = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-s}} \left\{ \frac{1}{1-s} e^{t(1-s)} \right\}_0^1 = \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - e^{-s}} \left(\frac{1}{1-s} \right) (e^{1-s} - e^0) = \frac{e^{1-s} - 1}{(1 - e^{-s})(1-s)}.\end{aligned}$$

7. [7 marks] Employ the Laplace transform to solve the initial-value problem

$$y'' - 6y' + 13y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 5.$$

Solution:

Take the Laplace transform of both parts of the equation:

$$[s^2 Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0)] - 6[sY(s) - y(0)] + 13Y(s) = 0.$$

Substitute $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 5$ and solve for $Y(s)$:

$$(s^2 - 6s + 13)Y(s) = 5, \Rightarrow Y(s) = \frac{5}{s^2 - 6s + 13} = \frac{5}{(s-3)^2 + 4}.$$

Using the First Shifting Theorem with $a = 3$, find

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\} = 5\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{(s-3)^2 + 4}\right\} = \frac{5}{2}e^{3t} \sin(2t) = y(t).$$

8. [7 marks] Find $f(t)$, if

$$f(t) - 2 \int_0^t f(x) dx = 8t.$$

Solution:

Let $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s)$. Take the Laplace transform of both parts of the equation:

$$F(s) - 2 \frac{1}{s} F(s) = 8 \frac{1}{s^2} \Rightarrow F(s) \left(1 - \frac{2}{s}\right) = \frac{8}{s^2} \Rightarrow F(s) = \frac{8}{s(s-2)}.$$

To invert $F(s)$, one can use **(a)** partial fractions or **(b)** $\mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t g(x) dx\right\} = \frac{G(s)}{s}$.

$$\text{(a)} \quad F(s) = \frac{8}{s(s-2)} = -\frac{4}{s} + \frac{4}{s-2} \Rightarrow y(t) = -4 + 4e^{2t}.$$

OR

$$\text{(b)} \quad \frac{8}{s(s-2)} = \frac{1}{s} \cdot \frac{8}{s-2} = \frac{1}{s} \cdot G(s). \quad \text{Then } \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{G(s)\right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{8}{s-2}\right\} = 8e^{2t} = g(t),$$

and

$$y(t) = \int_0^t g(x) dx = 8 \int_0^t e^{2x} dx = 8 \cdot \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} \Big|_0^t = 4e^{2t} - 4.$$