

MTH 204
Spring 2007
Exam 3

Name: Key

Section: B or C (circle one)

Read the directions carefully.

**Write neatly in pencil and show all your work
(you will only get credit for what you put on paper).**

Please do not share calculators during the test.

Each question is worth 20 points

DO NOT USE Decimals on any intermediate step.

The last page contains your Laplace tables.

**If you have trouble during the test, feel free to ask me for
help.**

Score: _____

1. Consider the differential equation $x^2 y'' + 2xy' - 6y = x^2$.

a. Classify the differential equation by order, linearity, type of coefficients, and state whether or not the equation is homogeneous.

2nd order, linear, variable coefficients, non homogeneous
(Cauchy-Euler)

b. What method(s) can you use to solve this equation?

$$y_h: y(x) = x^m$$

$$y_p: \begin{cases} \text{VOP} \\ x = e^t \Rightarrow \text{MUC} \end{cases}$$

c. Solve the equation for the interval $x > 0$.

$$x^2 y'' + 2xy' - 6y = 0$$

$$y(x) = x^m$$

$$y'(x) = mx^{m-1}$$

$$y''(x) = m(m-1)x^{m-2}$$

$$x^2(m(m-1)x^{m-2}) + 2xm x^{m-1} - 6x^m = 0$$

$$x^m [m^2 - m + 2m - 6] = 0$$

$$m^2 + m - 6 = 0$$

$$(m-2)(m+3) = 0$$

$$m = 2, -3$$

$$y_h(x) = c_1 x^2 + c_2 x^{-3}$$

Put DE in standard form: $y'' + \frac{2}{x}y' - \frac{6}{x^2}y = 1$

Assume $y_p = u_1(x)y_1(x) + u_2(x)y_2(x)$

$$W(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x^{-3} \\ 2x & -3x^{-4} \end{vmatrix} = -3x^2 x^{-4} - 2x x^{-3} = -5x^{-2}$$

$$W_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x^{-3} \\ 1 & -3x^{-4} \end{vmatrix} = -x^{-3}$$

$$W_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & 0 \\ 2x & 1 \end{vmatrix} = x^2$$

$$u_1'(x) = \frac{W_1}{W(y_1, y_2)} = \frac{-x^{-3}}{-5x^{-2}} = \frac{1}{5}x^{-1}$$

$$u_2'(x) = \frac{W_2}{W(y_1, y_2)} = \frac{x^2}{-5x^{-2}} = -\frac{1}{5}x^4$$

$$u_1(x) = \frac{1}{5} \int x^{-1} dx = \frac{1}{5} \ln x$$

$$u_2(x) = -\frac{1}{5} \int x^4 dx = -\frac{1}{25}x^5$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p(x) = u_1 y_1 + u_2 y_2 = \left(\frac{1}{5} \ln x\right) x^2 - \frac{1}{25} x^5 x^{-3} = \frac{1}{5} x^2 \ln x - \frac{1}{25} x^2 = \frac{1}{5} x^2 \ln x$$

absorbed into y_h

$$\text{So } y(x) = y_h + y_p = c_1 x^2 + c_2 x^{-3} + \frac{1}{5} x^2 \ln x$$

2. Suppose a 4 lb object in a tank of water stretches a spring 2 ft to equilibrium position. The viscosity of the water offers a resistance to the motion of the object numerically equal to the instantaneous velocity. Assume there is no external force. Assume the object is released from 1 ft above the equilibrium position with a downward velocity of 8 ft/s.

a. Set up the IVP describing this motion. Use $g = 32 \text{ ft/s}^2$ as the acceleration for gravity.

$$m = \frac{W}{g} = \frac{4}{32} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\beta = 1$$

$$K = \frac{W}{s} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

$$f(x) = 0$$

$$my'' + \beta y' + Ky = f(x)$$

$$\frac{1}{8}y'' + y' + 2y = 0$$

$$y'' + 8y' + 16y = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} y(0) = -1 \\ y'(0) = 8 \end{cases}$$

b. Solve for the displacement $y(t)$.

Assume $y(t) = e^{rt}$

$$r^2 + 8r + 16 = 0$$

$$(r+4)^2 = 0$$

$$r = -4, -4$$

$$y(t) = c_1 e^{-4t} + c_2 t e^{-4t}$$

$$y(0) = c_1 + 0 = -1$$

$$y(t) = -e^{-4t} + c_2 t e^{-4t}$$

$$y'(t) = 4e^{-4t} + c_2 e^{-4t} - 4c_2 t e^{-4t}$$

$$y'(0) = 4 + c_2 - 0 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow c_2 = 4$$

$$y(t) = -e^{-4t} + 4t e^{-4t}$$

c. Find the time at which the object attains its extreme displacement from the equilibrium position. (**Hint:** when do you have a local max/min?)

$$y'(t) = 4e^{-4t} + 4e^{-4t} - 16t e^{-4t} = 0$$

$$e^{-4t}(8 - 16t) = 0$$

$$t = \frac{8}{16} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ s}$$

3. Use the definition of the Laplace transform ($\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$) to find $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$

when $f(t) = \begin{cases} t & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 1 & t \geq 1 \end{cases}$. For what values of s is the Laplace transform of $f(t)$ defined?

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

$$= \int_0^1 e^{-st} t dt + \int_1^{\infty} e^{-st} dt$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} u=t & dv=e^{-st} \\ du=dt & v=-\frac{1}{s}e^{-st} \end{array}$$

$$= -\frac{t}{s}e^{-st} \Big|_0^1 - \left(-\frac{1}{s}\right) \int_0^1 e^{-st} dt + \int_1^{\infty} e^{-st} dt$$

$$= -\frac{1}{s}e^{-s} + 0 + \frac{1}{s} \left(-\frac{1}{s}e^{-st} \Big|_0^1 \right) - \frac{1}{s}e^{-st} \Big|_1^{\infty}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{s}e^{-s} + \frac{1}{s} \left(-\frac{1}{s}e^{-s} + \frac{1}{s} \right) - 0 + \frac{1}{s}e^{-s}$$

$$= \frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{1}{s^2}e^{-s}, \text{ provided } s > 0$$

4. Find the inverse Laplace transform of the following:

a. $F(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 - 4s + 13}$

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2 - 4s + 13} \right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2 - 4s + \left(\frac{4}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{4}{2}\right)^2 + 13} \right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{(s-2)^2 + 9} \right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s-2+2}{(s-2)^2 + 9} \right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s-2}{(s-2)^2 + 9} \right\} + 2 \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(s-2)^2 + 9} \right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{s^2 + 9} \mid s \rightarrow s-2 \right\} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{3}{s^2 + 9} \mid s \rightarrow s-2 \right\} \\ &= e^{2t} \cos(3t) + \frac{2}{3} e^{2t} \sin(3t) \end{aligned}$$

b. $G(s) = \frac{e^{-2s}}{s^2(s-1)}$

$$\begin{aligned} H(s) &= \frac{1}{s^2(s-1)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s^2} + \frac{C}{s-1} = -\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s-1} \\ 1 &= As(s-1) + B(s-1) + Cs^2 \\ s=0 &\Rightarrow B=-1 \\ s=1 &\Rightarrow C=1 \\ s=-1 &\Rightarrow 1 = 2A - (1)(-2) + 1 \Rightarrow A=-1 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} g(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ e^{-2s} H(s) \} = (-1 - (t-2) + e^{t-2}) \mathcal{U}(t-2) \\ &= (1 - t + e^{t-2}) \mathcal{U}(t-2) \end{aligned}$$

5. Consider the IVP $y'' + y = \delta(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \delta(t - 2\pi)$ subject to $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$.

a. Solve for $y(t)$.

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'' + y\} = \mathcal{L}\{\delta(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \delta(t - 2\pi)\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y''\} + \mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{\delta(t - \frac{\pi}{2})\} + \mathcal{L}\{\delta(t - 2\pi)\}$$

$$s^2 Y(s) - \underset{1}{s y(0)} - \underset{0}{y'(0)} + Y(s) = e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}s} + e^{-2\pi s}$$

$$(s^2 + 1)Y(s) = e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}s} + e^{-2\pi s} + s$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}s}}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{e^{-2\pi s}}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} = e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}s} F(s) + e^{-2\pi s} F(s) + \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}$$

$$\text{Let } F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} \Rightarrow f(t) = \sin(t)$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\}$$

$$= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}s} F(s)\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-2\pi s} F(s)\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2 + 1}\right\}$$

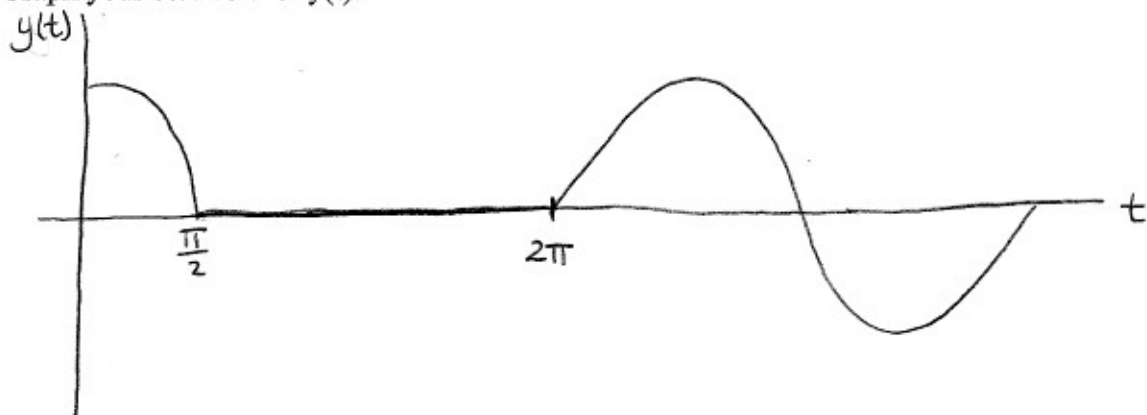
$$= \sin(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) U(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \sin(t - 2\pi) U(t - 2\pi) + \cos(t)$$

$$= -\cos(t) U(t - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \sin(t) U(t - 2\pi) + \cos(t)$$

or

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} \cos(t) & , 0 \leq t < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ -\cos(t) + \cos(t) = 0 & , \frac{\pi}{2} \leq t < 2\pi \\ \sin(t) & , t \geq 2\pi. \end{cases}$$

b. Graph your solution for $y(t)$.



Bonus (10 points): Use the Laplace transform to solve the IVP $y' + y = \mathcal{U}(t - 1)$ subject to $y(0) = 1$. Graph your solution.

$$\mathcal{L}\{y' + y\} = \mathcal{L}\{\mathcal{U}(t - 1)\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + \mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{\mathcal{U}(t - 1)\}$$

$$sY(s) - \underbrace{y(0)}_1 + Y(s) = \frac{e^{-s}}{s}$$

$$(s+1)Y(s) = \frac{e^{-s}}{s} + 1$$

$$Y(s) = \frac{e^{-s}}{s(s+1)} + \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$\text{Let } F(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+1)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+1} = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$1 = A(s+1) + Bs$$

$$s=0 \Rightarrow A=1$$

$$s=-1 \Rightarrow B=-1$$

$$f(t) = 1 - e^{-t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-s}F(s)\} + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+1}\right\} \\ &= (1 - e^{-(t-1)})\mathcal{U}(t-1) + e^{-t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{or } y(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-t}, & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 1 - e^{-(t-1)} + e^{-t}, & t \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

