

1. [4 marks] Evaluate  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2(s^2+1)}\right\}$ .

Hint : Do not use the partial fractional decomposition.

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$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s(s^2+1)}\right\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2+1}\right\} = \int_0^t \sin \tau \, d\tau = [-\cos \tau]_0^t = -\cos t + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2(s^2+1)}\right\} &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{s(s^2+1)}\right\} = \int_0^t (1 - \cos \tau) \, d\tau \\ &= [\tau - \sin \tau]_0^t = \boxed{t - \sin t} \end{aligned}$$

2. [4 marks] Find the Laplace transform of the periodic function :  $f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 1 & 1 \leq t < 2 \end{cases}$ .

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The period  $T=2$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{1}{1-e^{-2s}} \int_0^2 e^{-st} f(t) \, dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-e^{-2s}} \left[ \int_0^1 0 \cdot e^{-st} \, dt + \int_1^2 1 \cdot e^{-st} \, dt \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-e^{-2s}} \left[ \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_1^2$$

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

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

3. [8 marks] Use the Laplace transform to solve the given integral equation:

$$t - 2f(t) = \int_0^t (e^\tau - e^{-\tau}) f(t - \tau) d\tau.$$

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$$\mathcal{L}\{t\} - 2\mathcal{L}\{f\} = \mathcal{L}\{e^t - e^{-t}\} \mathcal{L}\{f\}$$

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

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

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}\{f\} = \frac{s^2-1}{2s^4} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{1}{12} \frac{3!}{s^4}$$

$$\therefore f(t) = \frac{1}{2}t - \frac{1}{12}t^3$$

4. [8 marks] Find the half-range cosine expansion of the function:  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 2-x & 1 \leq x < 2 \end{cases}$ .

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$$a_0 = \int_0^1 1 dx + \int_1^2 (2-x) dx = \left[ x \right]_0^1 + \left[ 2x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \right]_1^2$$

$$= 1 + (4-2) - (2-\frac{1}{2}) = 3-2+\frac{1}{2} = \boxed{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$a_n = \int_0^1 1 \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} x dx + \int_1^2 \underbrace{(2-x)}_u \underbrace{\cos \frac{n\pi}{2} x}_{dv} dx$$

$$= \left[ \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} x \right]_0^1 + (2-x) \left[ \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} x \right]_1^2 - \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_1^2 \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} x (-1) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{n\pi} + 0 - \frac{2}{n\pi} + \frac{2}{n\pi} \cdot \left[ -\frac{2}{n\pi} \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} x \right]_1^2$$

$$= \frac{-4}{n^2\pi^2} \left( \cos n\pi - \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) = \boxed{\frac{4}{n^2\pi^2} \left( \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} + (-1)^{n+1} \right)}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{3}{4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2\pi^2} \left( \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} + (-1)^{n+1} \right) \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} x$$

5. [5 marks] Show that the set  $\{\cos x, \cos 2x, \cos 3x \dots\}$  is orthogonal on the interval  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . What is the norm?

For  $m \neq n$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos mx \cdot \cos nx \, dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [\cos(m+n)x + \cos(m-n)x] \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin(m+n)x}{m+n} + \frac{\sin(m-n)x}{m-n} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the set is orthogonal.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^2 nx \, dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [1 + \cos 2nx] \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x + \frac{\sin 2nx}{2n} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} \\ &= \pi \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the norm is  $\sqrt{\pi}$

6. [5 marks] Find the vector that gives the direction in which  $f(x, y) = xye^{x-y}$  increases most rapidly at  $(2, 2)$ . What is the maximum rate?

$$\nabla f(x, y) = [ye^{x-y} + xye^{x-y}] \mathbf{i} + [xe^{x-y} - xye^{x-y}] \mathbf{j}$$

$$\nabla f|_{(2,2)} = (2+4)\mathbf{i} + (2-4)\mathbf{j} = \boxed{6\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j}}$$

$$\text{the maximum rate is } \|\nabla f|_{(2,2)}\| = \sqrt{6^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{40} = \boxed{2\sqrt{10}}$$

7. [8 marks]

Use the Laplace transform to solve the given system of differential equations :  $\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} + x = \frac{dy}{dt} - y \\ \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{dy}{dt} + 2y = 0 \end{cases}$  with initial conditions  $x(0) = 0, y(0) = 1$ .

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$$s \mathcal{L}\{x\} + \mathcal{L}\{x\} - s \mathcal{L}\{y\} + 1 + \mathcal{L}\{y\} = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} s \mathcal{L}\{x\} + s \mathcal{L}\{y\} - 1 + 2 \mathcal{L}\{y\} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} (s+1) \mathcal{L}\{x\} - (s-1) \mathcal{L}\{y\} = -1 \\ s \mathcal{L}\{x\} + (s+2) \mathcal{L}\{y\} = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\checkmark \quad -s(s-1) \mathcal{L}\{y\} - (s+1)(s+2) \mathcal{L}\{y\} = -s - (s+1)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y\} \cdot [-s^2 + s - s^2 - 3s - 2] = -2s - 1$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{-2s-1}{-2s^2-2s-2} = \frac{s+\frac{1}{2}}{s^2+s+1} = \frac{(s+\frac{1}{2})}{(s+\frac{1}{2})^2 + (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \boxed{e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t}$$

$$\checkmark \quad (s+2)(s+1) \mathcal{L}\{x\} + s(s-1) \mathcal{L}\{x\} = -(s+2) + (s-1)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{x\} [s^2+3s+2+s^2-s] = -3$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{x\} = \frac{-3}{2s^2+2s+2} = \frac{-3/2}{(s+\frac{1}{2})^2 + (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})^2} = -\sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{(s+\frac{1}{2})^2 + (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \boxed{-\sqrt{3} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t}$$

8. [8 marks] Solve the given system of differential equations : 
$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} + x = \frac{dy}{dt} - y \\ \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{dy}{dt} + 2y = 0 \end{cases}$$
 with initial conditions  $x(0) = 0, y(0) = 1$ . Justify your answer.

**Hint 1:** Rewrite the system in terms of the operator  $D$ .

**Hint 2:** One of solutions,  $y(t) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t$  is given. Find  $x(t)$  only.

**Warning :** There will be no credit if it is solved using the Laplace transform.

Method 1/

$$(*) \begin{cases} (D+1)x - (D-1)y = 0 \\ Dx + (D+2)y = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore (D+2)(D+1)x + D(D-1)x = 0$$

$$(D^2 + 3D + 2 + D^2 - D)x = 0 \rightarrow (2D^2 + 2D + 2)x = 0$$

$$\text{Hence, } x'' + x' + x = 0 \rightarrow m^2 + m + 1 = 0 \rightarrow m = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{3}i}{2}$$

$$x(t) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} [c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t]$$

$$\text{Since } x(0) = 0, 0 = 1[c_1 + 0] \rightarrow c_1 = 0$$

$$\text{Therefore, } x(t) = c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t + e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \cdot c_2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t \quad \text{and}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + 2y = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t - e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t + 2e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t$$

$$\text{since } \frac{dy}{dt} = -(\frac{dx}{dt} + 2y), \text{ by comparing the coefficients of } e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t,$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}c_2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow c_2 = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore x(t) = -\sqrt{3} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t$$

Method 2/

$$(*) \text{ gives } x - 2Dy - y = 0 \therefore x = 2Dy + y$$

$$x = 2 \left[ -\frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t \right] + e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t$$

$$= -\sqrt{3} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t} \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t$$