

Variation of Parameters and Laplace Transform

Worksheet # 2

Part 4

October 31-November 04

The problems on this worksheet refer to material from sections §3.6, §4.4, and §6.1, of your text. Solutions to all problems will be available on the course's D2L website Friday, November

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The Variation of Parameters Method

01. Find the general solution of the following equations.

a. $y'' + y = \sec^3(t)$

b. $y'' - 2y' + y = \frac{e^t}{t^2 + 1}$

Laplace Transform of Basic Functions

02. Compute $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}(s)$, if

a. $f(t) = (t^2 + 1)^2$

b. $f(t) = 3 \cos(5t) - 2 \sin(2t)$

c. $f(t) = \cos^4(t) - \sin^4(t)$

d*. $f(t) = \cosh(2t) \sinh(3t)$

e*. $f(t) = \cos^3(t)$

f. $f(t) = \sin^3(t)$

03. Use the substitution $x = \sqrt{s}t$ to show

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right\}(s) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{s}} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-x^2} dx, \quad \text{for any } s > 0$$

Given that $\int_0^{+\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$, compute $\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right\}(s)$

04. Use integration by parts to show that $\mathcal{L}\{\sqrt{t}\}(s) = \frac{1}{2s} \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right\}(s)$, $s > 0$, then compute $\mathcal{L}\{\sqrt{t}\}(s)$

First Shift Formula

05. Find $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}(s)$, if

a. $f(t) = t^2 e^{-3t}$

b*. $f(t) = (t+1)^2 e^t$

c*. $f(t) = (\sin(2t) + \cos(3t)) e^{-t}$

d. $f(t) = \frac{e^{-2t}}{\sqrt{t}}$

e. $f(t) = \sqrt{t} e^{2t}$