

# Math 2552 Written HW Set 9

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**Trench 8.2.1a.** Use the table of Laplace transforms to find the inverse Laplace transform.

$$\frac{3}{(s-7)^4}$$

*Solution.* Using the linearity of the inverse Laplace transform and the Shifting Theorem, we may write

$$L^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{(s-7)^4}\right) = 3L^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{(s-7)^4}\right) = \frac{3}{6}e^{7t}L^{-1}\left(\frac{6}{s^4}\right)$$

We evaluate the rightmost side with the table of Laplace transforms, noting that  $L(s)[t^n] = n!/s^{n+1}$ , and find

$$L^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{(s-7)^4}\right) = \frac{e^{7t}t^3}{2}$$

□

**Trench 8.2.1b.** Use the table of Laplace transforms to find the inverse Laplace transform.

$$\frac{2s - 4}{s^2 - 4s + 13}$$

*Solution.* We start by completing the square in the denominator, yielding

$$\frac{2s - 4}{s^2 - 4s + 13} = \frac{2s - 4}{(s - 2)^2 + 9}$$

Using the shifting theorem and the linearity of the inverse Laplace transform, we obtain

$$L^{-1} \left( \frac{2s - 4}{(s - 2)^2 + 9} \right) = 2e^{2t} L^{-1} \left( \frac{s}{s^2 + 9} \right)$$

Using the table of Laplace transforms, we note that  $L(s)[\cos \omega t] = s/(s^2 + \omega^2)$ . Letting  $\omega = 3$ , we obtain

$$L^{-1} \left( \frac{2s - 4}{s^2 - 4s + 13} \right) = 2e^{2t} \cos(3t)$$

□

**Trench 8.2.3a.** Use Heaviside's method to find the inverse Laplace transform.

$$\frac{3 - (s + 1)(s - 2)}{(s + 1)(s + 2)(s - 2)}$$

*Solution.* We write

$$\frac{3 - (s + 1)(s - 2)}{(s + 1)(s + 2)(s - 2)} = \frac{A}{s + 1} + \frac{B}{s + 2} + \frac{C}{s - 2}$$

Setting  $s = -1$  and ignoring the  $(s + 1)$  factor in the denominator yields

$$A = \frac{3 - (0)(-3)}{(1)(-3)} = -1$$

Doing the same for the other coefficients gives

$$B = \frac{3 - (-1)(-4)}{(-1)(-4)} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

and

$$C = \frac{3 - (3)(0)}{(3)(4)} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Thus, we find

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

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