



**University of Victoria**  
**Exam 1**  
**Fall 2020**

<b>Course Name:</b> ECE 260
<b>Course Title:</b> Continuous-Time Signals and Systems
<b>Section(s):</b> A01, A02
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<b>Instructor:</b> Michael Adams
<b>Duration:</b> 50 minutes

This examination paper has **3 pages**, all of which are numbered.

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The answer to each question is to be uploaded as a **separate PDF document** to the **answer-submission area** for the exam on Brightspace **prior to the end of the exam period**.

**Total Marks: 23**

This examination is **closed book**.

The use of a crib sheet is **not** permitted.

The use of a calculator is **not** permitted.

**You must show all of your work and explain all nontrivial steps!**

Clearly define any new quantities (e.g., variables, functions, etc.) that you introduce in your solutions.

## 1 Academic-Integrity Pledge

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As a student of the Faculty of Engineering at UVic, I solemnly pledge to follow the policies, principles, rules, and guidelines of the University with respect to academic honesty. By signing this pledge, I promise to adhere to exam requirements and maintain the highest level of ethical principles during the exam period. Furthermore, by signing this pledge, I also acknowledge that I have read, in full, the document titled “Online Exams” (on the course web site) so that I am aware of all of the procedures and rules that apply to writing online exams in this course.

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Date (yyyy-mm-dd)

## 2 General Comments

In order to not lose (possibly many or all) marks for your answer to a question, it is required that you:

1. show **all** of your work;
2. **do not skip** any steps in your answer; and
3. for each nontrivial step in your answer, **include a brief comment** to explain what you are doing; for example, identify any special properties or identities/relationships being used; in many cases, a few words in point form will suffice (e.g., “used XXX property”, “used XXX identity”, “from definition of XXX”);

The answer to each question must be uploaded as it is completed. Each answer should be placed in a separate file (in PDF format). In the case of a question with multiple parts (e.g., parts (a), (b), and so on), all parts of the question can be answered in the same file.

## 3 Questions

**Question 1.** Consider the function

$$f(z) = \frac{2z - 1}{z^3 + 2z^2 + z},$$

where  $z$  is complex. Find the (finite) zeros and poles of  $f$  as well as their corresponding orders. **[4 marks]**

**Question 2.** Consider the function  $x$  given by

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(6\pi\tau) \delta(\tau - t) d\tau + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j15\pi\tau} \delta(\tau - t) d\tau.$$

- (a) Find a fully-simplified formula for  $x$ . **[2 marks]**
- (b) Using your answer to part (a), determine if  $x$  is periodic and, if it is, find its fundamental period  $T$ . **[2 marks]**

**Question 3.** Consider the function

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} -1 & t < -1 \\ t^3 & -1 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 1 & t > 1. \end{cases}$$

Write an expression for  $x(t)$  that consists of only a single case and is valid for all  $t$ . **[5 marks]**

**Question 4.** A function  $x$  has the following properties:

1.  $x(t) = 1$  for  $2 < t \leq 3$ ;
2. the function  $v_1(t) = x(t + 1)$  is causal;
3. the function  $v_2(t) = x(t + 3)$  is anticausal; and
4. the function  $v_3(t) = x(t + 2)$  is odd.

Find  $x(t)$  for all  $t$ . You must make clear how you arrived at your answer. [Note: Depending on how you choose to justify your answer, the answer to this question may possibly require the inclusion of figures/graphs in order to meet the requirement of showing all of your work and justifying/explaining your answer.] **[5 marks]**

**Question 5.** A linear time-invariant system  $\mathcal{H}$  has the eigenfunction  $v(t) = u(t) - u(t - 1)$  with the corresponding eigenvalue 1. Determine the response  $y_1$  of the system  $\mathcal{H}$  to the signal  $x_1$ , where

$$x_1(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 2 & 1 \leq t < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

You must make clear how you arrived at your answer. **[5 marks]**

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