

**Hint for 27(j)-(k):** Note that since  $\mathcal{L}[tf(t)] = (-1)\frac{dF}{ds}$ , we have that  $-\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{dF}{ds}\right] = tf(t)$  and thus  $f(t) = -\frac{1}{t}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{dF}{ds}\right]$ .

**Exercise 28 (The Laplace Transform).** Use the definition  $\mathcal{L}[f](s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st}f(t) dt$  to prove that the following identities are true. The first one is done for you.

$$(\omega) \quad \mathcal{L}[1](s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

$$\mathcal{L}[1](s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st}(1) dt = \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^A e^{-st}(1) dt = \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{e^{-st}}{s} \right]_0^A = \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{e^{-sA}}{s} + \frac{e^0}{s} \right) = \frac{1}{s}.$$

$$(a) \quad \mathcal{L}[t^2](s) = \frac{2}{s^3} \text{ for } s > 0$$

$$(d) \quad \mathcal{L}[\cosh at](s) = \frac{s}{s^2 - a^2} \text{ for } s > a$$

$$(b) \quad \mathcal{L}[\cos at](s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + a^2} \text{ for } s > 0$$

$$(e) \quad \mathcal{L}[f(ct)](s) = \frac{1}{c}\mathcal{L}[f]\left(\frac{s}{c}\right)$$

$$(c) \quad \mathcal{L}[\sinh at](s) = \frac{a}{s^2 - a^2} \text{ for } s > a$$

$$(f) \quad \frac{d}{ds}\mathcal{L}[f](s) = -\mathcal{L}[tf(t)](s)$$

**Solution 28.**

(a) Using integration by parts, we calculate that if  $s > 0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}[t^2](s) &= \int_0^\infty e^{-st}t^2 dt \\ &= \left[ -t^2 \frac{e^{-st}}{s} \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty -\frac{e^{-st}}{s} 2t dt \\ &= \frac{2}{s} \int_0^\infty e^{-st}t dt \\ &= \frac{2}{s} \left( \left[ -t \frac{e^{-st}}{s} \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty -\frac{e^{-st}}{s} 1 dt \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{s^2} \int_0^\infty e^{-st} dt \\ &= \frac{2}{s^2} \left[ -\frac{e^{-st}}{s} \right]_0^\infty \\ &= \frac{2}{s^3} \end{aligned}$$

where the notation  $[\cdot]_0^\infty$  means  $\lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} [\cdot]_0^A$ .

(b) omitted

(c) omitted

(d) For brevity of notation, let  $L = \mathcal{L}[\cosh at](s)$ . Again using integration by parts, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \int_0^\infty e^{-st} \cosh at dt \\ &= \left[ e^{-st} \frac{1}{a} \sinh at \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty -se^{-st} \frac{1}{a} \sinh at dt \\ &= \frac{s}{a} \int_0^\infty e^{-st} \sinh at dt \\ &= \frac{s}{a} \left( \left[ e^{-st} \frac{1}{a} \cosh at \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty -se^{-st} \frac{1}{a} \cosh at dt \right) \\ &= \frac{s}{a} \left( -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{s}{a} \int_0^\infty e^{-st} \cosh at dt \right) \\ &= -\frac{s}{a^2} + \frac{s^2}{a^2} L. \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging this equation gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{s^2}{a^2}L - L &= \frac{s}{a^2} \\ s^2L - a^2L &= s \\ L &= \frac{s}{s^2 - a^2} \end{aligned}$$

as required, if  $s > a$ .

(e) Let  $\xi = ct$ . Then  $d\xi = c dt$  and  $dt = \frac{1}{c} d\xi$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}[f(ct)](s) &= \int_0^\infty e^{-st}f(ct) dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-s\frac{\xi}{c}}f(\xi) \frac{1}{c} d\xi \\ &= \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{s}{c}\xi}f(\xi) d\xi \\ &= \frac{1}{c}\mathcal{L}[f]\left(\frac{s}{c}\right) \end{aligned}$$

as required.

(f) We calculate that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{ds}\mathcal{L}[f](s) &= \frac{d}{ds} \int_0^\infty e^{-st}f(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{d}{ds} e^{-st}f(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty -te^{-st}f(t) dt \\ &= -\mathcal{L}[tf(t)](s) \end{aligned}$$

as required.

**Exercise 29 (The Laplace Transform).** Use the Laplace Transform to solve the following initial value problems:

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \text{(a)} \quad \begin{cases} x'' + 4x = 0 \\ x(0) = 5 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} & \text{(e)} \quad \begin{cases} x'' - 6x' + 8x = 2 \\ x(0) = 0 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} & \text{(i)} \quad \begin{cases} x^{(4)} + 2x'' + x = e^{2t} \\ x(0) = x'(0) = x''(0) = x^{(3)}(0) = 1 \end{cases} \\
 \text{(b)} \quad \begin{cases} x'' - x' - 2x = 0 \\ x(0) = 0 \\ x'(0) = 2 \end{cases} & \text{(f)} \quad \begin{cases} x'' - 4x = 3t \\ x(0) = 0 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} & \text{(j)} \quad \begin{cases} x^{(3)} + 4x'' + 5x' + 2x = 10 \cos t \\ x(0) = x'(0) = 0 \\ x''(0) = 3 \end{cases} \\
 \text{(c)} \quad \begin{cases} x'' + 9x = 1 \\ x(0) = 0 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} & \text{(g)} \quad \begin{cases} x'' + 4x' + 8x = e^{-t} \\ x(0) = 0 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} & \text{(k)} \quad \begin{cases} x'' + 4x' + 13x = te^{-t} \\ x(0) = 0 \\ x'(0) = 2 \end{cases} \\
 \text{(d)} \quad \begin{cases} x'' + 6x' + 25x = 0 \\ x(0) = 2 \\ x'(0) = 3 \end{cases} & \text{(h)} \quad \begin{cases} x^{(4)} + 8x'' + 16x = 0 \\ x(0) = x'(0) = x''(0) = 0 \\ x^{(3)}(0) = 1 \end{cases} & \text{(l)} \quad \begin{cases} x'' + x = \sin 2t \\ x(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 2 \\ x'(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0 \end{cases}
 \end{array}$$

**Solution 29.**

(a) We calculate that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}[x'' + 4x] &= \mathcal{L}[0] \\
 [s^2 F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] + 4F(s) &= 0 \\
 (s^2 + 4)F(s) - 5s &= 0 \\
 F(s) &= \frac{5s}{(s^2 + 4)} \\
 x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{5s}{(s^2 + 4)}\right] = 5 \cos 2t
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the solution to the IVP is  $x(t) = 5 \cos 2t$ .

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}[x'' - x' - 2x] &= \mathcal{L}[0] \\
 [s^2 F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] - [sF(s) - x(0)] - 2F(s) &= 0 \\
 (s^2 - s - 2)F(s) - 2 &= 0 \\
 F(s) &= \frac{2}{(s^2 - s - 2)} \\
 x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{2}{3(s-2)} - \frac{2}{3(s+1)}\right] \\
 x(t) &= \frac{2}{3}e^{2t} - \frac{2}{3}e^{-t}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}[x'' + 9x] &= \mathcal{L}[1] \\
 [s^2 F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] + 9F(s) &= \frac{1}{s} \\
 (s^2 + 9)F(s) &= \frac{1}{s} \\
 F(s) &= \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 9)} \\
 x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{9s} - \frac{s}{9(s^2 + 9)}\right] \\
 x(t) &= \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{9} \cos 3t
 \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}[x'' + 6x' + 25x] &= \mathcal{L}[0] \\
[s^2 F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] + 6[sF(s) - x(0)] + 25F(s) &= 0 \\
(s^2 + 6s + 25)F(s) - 2s - 3 - 12 &= 0 \\
F(s) &= \frac{2s + 15}{s^2 + 6s + 25} \\
x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{2s + 15}{(s + 3)^2 + 16}\right] = \\
x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{2(s + 3)}{(s + 3)^2 + 16} + \frac{9}{(s + 3)^2 + 16}\right] \\
x(t) &= 2e^{-3t} \cos 4t + \frac{9}{4}e^{-3t} \sin 4t
\end{aligned}$$

(e)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}[x'' - 6x' + 8x] &= \mathcal{L}[2] \\
[s^2 F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] - 6[sF(s) - x(0)] + 8F(s) &= \frac{2}{s} \\
(s^2 - 6s + 8)F(s) &= \frac{2}{s} \\
F(s) &= \frac{2}{s(s^2 - 6s + 8)} \\
x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{4(s - 4)} - \frac{1}{2(s - 2)} + \frac{1}{4s}\right] \\
x(t) &= \frac{1}{4}e^{4t} - \frac{1}{2}e^{2t} + \frac{1}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

(f)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}[x'' - 4x] &= \mathcal{L}[3t] \\
[s^2 F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] - 4F(s) &= \frac{3}{s^2} \\
(s^2 - 4)F(s) &= \frac{3}{s^2} \\
F(s) &= \frac{3}{s^2(s^2 - 4)} \\
x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{3}{16(s - 2)} - \frac{3}{4s^2} - \frac{3}{16(s + 2)}\right] \\
x(t) &= \frac{3}{16}e^{2t} - \frac{3}{4}t - \frac{3}{16}e^{-2t} \\
x(t) &= \frac{1}{8}(-6t + 3 \sinh 2t)
\end{aligned}$$

(g)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}[x'' + 4x' + 8x] &= \mathcal{L}[e^{-t}] \\
[s^2 F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] + 4[sF(s) - x(0)] + 8F(s) &= \frac{1}{s + 1} \\
(s^2 + 4s + 8)F(s) &= \frac{1}{s + 1} \\
F(s) &= \frac{1}{(s + 1)(s^2 + 4s + 8)} \\
x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{s + 1} - \frac{1}{5} \frac{s + 3}{(s^2 + 4s + 8)}\right] \\
x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{s + 1} - \frac{1}{5} \frac{s + 2}{(s + 2)^2 + 4} - \frac{1}{10} \frac{2}{(s + 2)^2 + 4}\right] \\
x(t) &= \frac{1}{5}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{5}e^{-2t} \cos 2t - \frac{1}{10}e^{-2t} \sin 2t
\end{aligned}$$

(h)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}[x^{(4)} + 8x'' + 16x] &= \mathcal{L}[0] \\
[s^4 F(s) - s^3 x(0) - s^2 x'(0) - sx''(0) - x^{(3)}(0)] + 8[s^2 F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] + 16F(s) &= 0 \\
(s^4 + 8s^2 + 16)F(s) - 1 &= 0 \\
(s^4 + 8s^2 + 16)F(s) &= 1
\end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} F(s) &= \frac{1}{s^4 + 8s^2 + 16} \\ x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[ \frac{1}{(s^2 + 4)^2} \right] \\ x(t) &= \frac{1}{8} (\sin 2t - t \cos 2t). \end{aligned}$$

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} [x^{(4)} + 2x'' + x] &= \mathcal{L} [e^{2t}] \\ [s^{(4)}F(s) - s^3x(0) - s^2x'(0) - sx''(0) - x^{(3)}(0)] + 2[s^2F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] + F(s) &= \frac{1}{s-2} \\ (s^4 + 2s^2 + 1)F(s) - s^3 - s^2 - s - 1 - 2s - 2 &= \frac{1}{s-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (s^4 + 2s^2 + 1)F(s) &= \frac{1}{s-2} + s^3 + s^2 + 3s + 3 = \frac{-3s + s^2 - s^3 + s^4 - 5}{s-2} \\ F(s) &= \frac{-3s + s^2 - s^3 + s^4 - 5}{(s-2)(s^4 + 2s^2 + 1)} \\ x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[ \frac{-3s + s^2 - s^3 + s^4 - 5}{(s-2)(s^2 + 1)^2} \right] \\ x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[ \frac{1}{25} \frac{1}{s-2} + \frac{1}{25} \frac{24s + 23}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{5} \frac{9s + 8}{(s^2 + 1)^2} \right] \\ x(t) &= \frac{1}{25} (e^{2t} + 24 \cos t + 23 \sin t) + \frac{9}{10} t \sin t + \frac{4}{5} (\sin t - t \cos t) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $x(t) = \frac{1}{50} [2e^{2t} + (48 - 40t) \cos t + (45t + 86) \sin t]$  is the solution to the IVP.

(j)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} [x^{(3)} + 4x'' + 5x' + 2x] &= \mathcal{L} [10 \cos t] \\ [s^3F(s) - s^2x(0) - sx'(0) - x''(0)] + 4[s^2F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] + 5[sF(s) - x(0)] + 2F(s) &= \frac{10s}{s^2 + 1} \\ (s^3 + 4s^2 + 5s + 2)F(s) - 3 &= \frac{10s}{s^2 + 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (s^3 + 4s^2 + 5s + 2)F(s) &= \frac{10s}{s^2 + 1} + 3 = \frac{3s^2 + 10s + 3}{s^2 + 1} \\ F(s) &= \frac{3s^2 + 10s + 3}{(s^2 + 1)(s^3 + 4s^2 + 5s + 2)} \\ x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[ \frac{3s^2 + 10s + 3}{(s^2 + 1)(s^3 + 4s^2 + 5s + 2)} \right] \\ x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[ \frac{2}{s+1} - \frac{2}{(s+1)^2} - \frac{1}{s+2} - \frac{s}{s^2+1} + \frac{2}{s^2+1} \right] \\ x(t) &= 2e^{-t} - 2te^{-t} - e^{-2t} - \cos t + 2 \sin t \end{aligned}$$

(k)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} [x'' + 4x' + 13x] &= \mathcal{L} [te^{-t}] \\ [s^2F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0)] + 4[sF(s) - x(0)] + 13F(s) &= \frac{1}{(s+1)^2} \\ (s^2 + 4s + 13)F(s) - 2 &= \frac{1}{(s+1)^2} \\ (s^2 + 4s + 13)F(s) &= \frac{1}{(s+1)^2} + 2 = \frac{4s + 2s^2 + 3}{(s+1)^2} \\ F(s) &= \frac{4s + 2s^2 + 3}{(s+1)^2(s^2 + 4s + 13)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{4s+2s^2+3}{(s+1)^2(s^2+4s+13)} &= \frac{A}{s+1} + \frac{B}{(s+1)^2} + \frac{Cs+D}{s^2+4s+13} \\ \Rightarrow A &= \frac{-1}{50}, B = \frac{1}{10}, C = \frac{1}{50}, D = \frac{98}{50} \\ x(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[ -\frac{1}{50} \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{1}{10} \frac{1}{(s+1)^2} + \frac{1}{50} \frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2+9} + \frac{32}{50} \frac{3}{(s+2)^2+9} \right] \\ x(t) &= -\frac{1}{50}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{10}te^{-t} + \frac{1}{50}e^{-2t} \cos 3t + \frac{32}{50}e^{-2t} \sin 3t\end{aligned}$$

(1) If we use the substitution  $k = t - \frac{\pi}{2}$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned}x'' + x &= \sin(2k + \pi) \\ x'' + x &= -\sin 2k \\ \mathcal{L}[x'' + x] &= -\mathcal{L}[\sin 2k] \\ s^2 F(s) - sx(0) - x'(0) + F(s) &= -\frac{2}{s^2 + 4} \\ (s^2 + 1)F(s) - 2s &= -\frac{2}{s^2 + 4} \\ (s^2 + 1)F(s) &= -\frac{2}{s^2 + 4} + 2s = \frac{2s^3 + 8s - 2}{s^2 + 4} \\ F(s) &= \frac{2s^3 + 8s - 2}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4)}\end{aligned}$$

By using partial fractions we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}F(s) &= \frac{2s^3 + 8s - 2}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{As + B}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{Cs + D}{s^2 + 4} \\ 2s^3 + 8s - 2 &= 4B + D + As^3 + Bs^2 + Cs^3 + s^2D + 4As + Cs \\ A &= 2, B = -\frac{2}{3}, C = 0, D = \frac{2}{3} \\ F(s) &= \frac{2s^3 + 8s - 2}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{2s}{s^2 + 1} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{2}{s^2 + 4} \\ x(k) &= 2 \cos k - \frac{2}{3} \sin k + \frac{1}{3} \sin 2k \\ x(t) &= 2 \cos \left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{2}{3} \sin \left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{3} \sin(2t - \pi) \\ x(t) &= -\frac{2}{3} \cos t + 2 \sin t - \frac{1}{3} \sin 2t\end{aligned}$$