

The syllabus for Exam III is Sections 3.2,3.3,3.6 and 4.1-4.4.

1. Solve each of the following homogeneous linear differential equations.

- (a) $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0$
- (b) $y'' + 6y' + 13y = 0$
- (c) $8y'' + 4y' + y = 0$
- (d) $2y'' - 7y' + 5y = 0$
- (e) $y'' + .2y' + .01y = 0$
- (f) $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0$
- (g) $y''' + 2y'' - 8y' = 0$
- (h) $y''' - 2y'' - 3y' = 0$
- (i) $y^{(4)} - 5y'' + 4y = 0$
- (j) $t^2y'' - 7ty' + 15y = 0$
- (k) $t^2y'' - 12y = 0$

2. Find the general solution of the constant coefficient homogeneous linear differential equation with the given characteristic polynomial $p(s)$.

- (a) $p(s) = (s - 1)(s + 3)(s - 5)$
- (b) $p(s) = s^3 - 1$
- (c) $p(s) = s^3 - 3s^2 + s + 5$
- (d) $p(s) = (s^2 + 1)^3$
- (e) $p(s)$ has degree 4 and has roots $\sqrt{2}$ with multiplicity 2 and $2 \pm 3i$ with multiplicity 1.
- (f) $p(s)$ has degree 5 and roots 0 with multiplicity 3 and $1 \pm \sqrt{3}$ with multiplicity 1.

3. Solve each of the following initial value problems. You may (and should) use the work already done in exercise 1.

- (a) $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = -3.$
- (b) $y'' + 6y' + 13y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = -1.$
- (c) $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 2$
- (d) $4t^2y'' - 7ty' + 6y = 0, \quad y(1) = 1, \quad y'(1) = 2$

4. Find a second order linear homogeneous differential equation with constant real coefficients that has the given function as a solution, or explain why there is no such equation.

- (a) $e^{-3t} + 2e^{-t}$
- (b) $e^{-t} \cos 2t$
- (c) $e^t t^{-2}$

5. Find the general solution to each of the following differential equations.

- (a) $y'' - 2y' + y = t^2 - 1$

- (b) $y'' - 2y' + y = 4 \cos t$
 (c) $y'' - 2y' + y = te^t$
6. Find a particular solution $y_p(t)$ of each of the following differential equations by using the method of variation of parameters. In each case, \mathcal{S} denotes a fundamental set of solutions of the associated homogeneous equation.
- (a) $y'' + 2y' + y = t^{-1}e^{-t}$; $\mathcal{S} = \{e^{-t}, te^{-t}\}$
 (b) $y'' + 9y = 9 \sec 3t$; $\mathcal{S} = \{\cos 3t, \sin 3t\}$
 (c) $t^2y'' + 2ty' - 6y = t^2$; $\mathcal{S} = \{t^2, t^{-3}\}$
 (d) $y'' + 4y' + 4y = t^{1/2}e^{-2t}$; $\mathcal{S} = \{e^{-2t}, te^{-2t}\}$
7. Find the Laplace transform of each of the following functions:
- (a) $f(t) = t^2\chi_{[1,3)}$
 (b) $g(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 5, \\ t^2 - 5 & \text{if } t \geq 5. \end{cases}$
8. Find the inverse Laplace transform of each of the following functions
- (a) $F(s) = \frac{se^{-2s}}{s^2 - 9}$
 (b) $G(s) = \frac{e^{-s} - e^{-2s}}{s^4}$
9. Solve the following initial value problem:
- (a)
- $$y'' + 4y' + 5y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq t < \pi \\ 0 & \text{if } t \geq \pi \end{cases} \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(\pi) = 0.$$
- (b)
- $$y'' + 9y = h(t - 2\pi) \sin t, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(\pi) = 0.$$

Answers

1. (a) $y = c_1e^{-t} + c_2e^{-2t}$
 (b) $y = c_1e^{-3t} \cos 2t + c_2e^{-3t} \sin 2t$
 (c) $y = (c_1 + c_2t)e^{-3t}$
 (d) $y = c_1e^{5t/2} + c_2e^t$
 (e) $y = e^{0.1t}(c_1 + tc_2)$
 (f) $y = c_1e^{-4t} + c_2e^{-3t}$
 (g) $y = c_1 + c_2e^{3t} + c_3e^{-5t}$
 (h) $y = c_1 + c_2e^{-t} + c_3e^{3t}$
 (i) $y = c_1e^{2t} + c_2e^{-2t} + c_3e^t + c_4e^{-t}$

- (j) $y = c_1 t^3 + c_2 t^5$
 (k) $y = c_1 t^4 + c_2 t^{-3}$
2. (a) $y = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-3t} + c_3 e^{5t}$
 (b) $y = c_1 e^t + c_2 e^{-t/2} \cos \sqrt{3}t/2 + c_2 e^{-t/2} \sin \sqrt{3}t/2$
 (c) $y = c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 e^{2t} \cos t + c_3 e^{2t} \sin t$
 (d) $y = (c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2) \cos t + (c_4 + c_5 t + c_6 t^2) \sin t$
 (e) $y = (c_1 + c_2 t) e^{\sqrt{2}t} + c_3 e^{2t} \cos 3t + c_4 e^{2t} \sin 3t$
 (f) $y = (c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2) + c_4 e^{(1+\sqrt{3})t} + c_5 e^{(1-\sqrt{3})t}$
3. (a) $y = 2e^{-2t} - e^{-t}$
 (b) $y = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-3t} \sin 2t$
 (c) $y = 2e^{-t} \sin t$
 (d) $y = (1/2)(t^{-1/2} + t^6)$
4. (a) $y'' + 4y' + 3y = 0$
 (b) $y'' + 2y' + 5y = 0$
 (c) Not possible since $e^{tt^{-2}}$ is not included in the list of functions in Theorem 3.3.1 (Page 159).
5. (a) $y = c_2 e^t + c_2 t e^t + t^2 + 4t + 5$
 (b) $y = c_2 e^t + c_2 t e^t - 2 \sin t$
 (c) $y = c_2 e^t + c_2 t e^t + \frac{1}{6} t^3 e^t$
6. (a) $y_p(t) = (t \ln t) e^{-t}$
 (b) $y_p(t) = \frac{1}{2}(\ln |\cos 3t|) \cos 3t + \frac{3}{2}t \sin 3t$
 (c) $y_p(t) = (1/5)t^2 \ln |t|$
 (d) $y_p(t) = (4/15)t^{5/2} e^{-2t}$
7. Find the Laplace transform of each of the following functions:
- (a) $f(t) = t^2 \chi_{[1,3]}$ Since $f(t) = t^2 \chi_{[1,3]} = t^2(h(t-1) - h(t-3)) = t^2 h(t-1) - t^2 h(t-3)$ apply Corollary 4.2.5 to get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s) &= \mathcal{L}\{t^2 h(t-1)\} - \mathcal{L}\{t^2 h(t-3)\} \\ &= e^{-s} \mathcal{L}\{(t+1)^2\} - e^{-3s} \mathcal{L}\{(t+3)^2\} \\ &= e^{-s} \mathcal{L}\{t^2 + 2t + 1\} - e^{-3s} \mathcal{L}\{t^2 + 6t + 9\} \\ &= \boxed{e^{-s} \left(\frac{2}{s^3} + \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s} \right) - e^{-3s} \left(\frac{2}{s^3} + \frac{6}{s^2} + \frac{9}{s} \right)} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) $g(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 5, \\ t^2 - 5 & \text{if } t \geq 5. \end{cases}$ Since $g(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 5, \\ t^2 - 5 & \text{if } t \geq 5. \end{cases} = (t^2 - 5)h(t-5)$ apply Corollary 4.2.5 to get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{g(t)\} = G(s) &= \mathcal{L}\{(t^2 - 5)h(t-5)\} \\ &= e^{-5s} \mathcal{L}\{(t+5)^2 - 5\} \\ &= e^{-5s} \mathcal{L}\{t^2 + 10t + 20\} \\ &= \boxed{e^{-5s} \left(\frac{2}{s^3} + \frac{10}{s^2} + \frac{20}{s} \right)} \end{aligned}$$

8. Find the inverse Laplace transform of each of the following functions

(a) $F(s) = \frac{se^{-2s}}{s^2 - 9}$ Since

$$\frac{s}{s^2 - 9} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{s - 3} + \frac{1}{s + 3} \right),$$

the second translation principle gives

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{-3(t-2)} + e^{3(t-2)} \right) h(t-2).$$

(b) $G(s) = \frac{e^{-s} - e^{-2s}}{s^4}$ Since $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{s^4} \right\} = \frac{t^3}{6}$, the second translation principle gives

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{6}(t-1)^3 h(t-1) - \frac{1}{6}(t-2)^3 h(t-2).$$

9. Solve the following initial value problem:

(a)

$$y'' + 4y' + 5y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq t < \pi \\ 0 & \text{if } t \geq \pi \end{cases} \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0.$$

The right hand side of the equation is the function

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq t < \pi \\ 0 & \text{if } t \geq \pi \end{cases} = 1 - h(t - \pi),$$

with Laplace transform $F(s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s} e^{-\pi s}$. Let $Y(s) = \mathcal{L}\{y(t)\}$ and apply the Laplace transform to the given differential equation to get (using $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$)

$$s^2 Y(s) + 4s Y(s) + 5Y(s) = F(s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s} e^{-\pi s}.$$

Solving for $Y(s)$ gives

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 4s + 5)} - \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 4s + 5)} e^{-\pi s}.$$

Applying partial fractions to $G(s) = \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 4s + 5)}$ gives a decomposition

$$\frac{1}{s(s^2 + 4s + 5)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs + C}{s^2 + 4s + 5}$$

and clearing the denominators in the usual manner gives an equation

$$1 = A(s^2 + 4s + 5) + (Bs + C)s = (A + B)s^2 + (4A + C)s + 5A.$$

Thus, by comparing coefficients of 1, s and s^2 on the left and right of this equation, we conclude that $A = \frac{1}{5}$, $B = -\frac{1}{5}$ and $C = -\frac{4}{5}$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} G(s) = \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 4s + 5)} &= \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{s+4}{s^2 + 4s + 5} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{s+4}{(s+2)^2 + 1} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2 + 1} - \frac{2}{(s+2)^2 + 1} \right), \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$g(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{G(s)\} = \frac{1}{5} (1 - e^{-2t} \cos t - 2e^{-2t} \sin t).$$

The second translation principle applied to this formula and (\dagger) shows

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= g(t) - g(t - \pi)h(t - \pi) \\ &= \frac{1}{5} (1 - e^{-2t} \cos t - 2e^{-2t} \sin t) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{5} \left(1 - e^{-2(t-\pi)} \cos(t - \pi) - 2e^{-2(t-\pi)} \sin(t - \pi) \right) h(t - \pi). \end{aligned}$$

(b) $y'' + 9y = h(t - 2\pi) \sin t$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 0$.

Ans: $y = \cos 3t + \frac{1}{24}h(t - 2\pi)(3 \sin t - \sin 3t)$