



Fall 2018 - Math 2410
Practice Exam 3 - December 6
Time Limit: 75 Minutes

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You are required to show your work on each problem on this exam. The following rules apply:

- If you use a “fundamental theorem” you **must indicate this** and explain why the theorem may be applied.
- **Organize your work**, in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. Work scattered all over the page without a clear ordering will receive very little credit.
- **Mysterious or unsupported answers will not receive full credit.** A correct answer, unsupported by calculations, explanation, or algebraic work will receive no credit; an incorrect answer supported by substantially correct calculations and explanations might still receive partial credit.
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1. In parts (a) and (b) find the Laplace transform of each given function.

(a) (6 points) Given $f(t) = t^2 e^{3t}$. Find $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$.

Solution: Using translation property we get

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^2 e^{3t}\} = \mathcal{L}\{t^2\}|_{s \rightarrow s-3} = \frac{2!}{s^3} \Big|_{s \rightarrow s-3} = \frac{2}{(s-3)^3}.$$

(b) (8 points) Given

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 2t & \text{when } 0 \leq t \leq 1, \\ 1 & \text{when } 1 < t < \infty. \end{cases}$$

Find $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$.

Solution: Since this is a piecewise function we use the definition of the Laplace transform

$$\begin{aligned} F(s) &= \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt = \int_0^1 e^{-st} f(t) dt + \int_1^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 e^{-st} 2t dt + \int_1^\infty e^{-st} 1 dt \\ &= \frac{1}{-s} e^{-st} 2t \Big|_{t=0}^{t=1} + \frac{1}{s} \int_0^1 e^{-st} 2 dt + \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \Big|_{t=1}^{t=\infty} \\ &= \frac{-2}{s} e^{-s} - \frac{2}{s^2} e^{-st} \Big|_{t=0}^{t=1} + \frac{e^{-s}}{s} \\ &= \frac{-2}{s} e^{-s} - \frac{2}{s^2} e^{-s} + \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{e^{-s}}{s}. \end{aligned}$$

(c) (6 points) Find the integral

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \cos(t) dt \quad (s > 0).$$

(Hint: This integral represents the Laplace transform of a certain function. It is absolutely not necessary to integrate in order to find the answer.)

Solution: Notice that the integral

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \cos(t) dt$$

is the Laplace transform of $f(t) = \cos(t)$. Hence

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \cos(t) dt = \mathcal{L}\{\cos(t)\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}.$$

(d) (8 points) Find $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{\cos(t)\mathcal{U}(t - \pi)\}$ where

$$\mathcal{U}(t - a) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t < a, \\ 1, & t \geq a. \end{cases}$$

Solution: We use the second translation theorem to get

$$F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{\cos(t)\mathcal{U}(t - \pi)\} = e^{-\pi s} \mathcal{L}\{\cos(t + \pi)\} = e^{-\pi s} \mathcal{L}\{-\cos(t)\} = e^{-\pi s} \frac{-s}{s^2 + 1}.$$

2. (a) (6 points) Given

$$F(s) = \frac{s^2 + 9}{9s - s^3}.$$

Find $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$.

Solution: We should first do partial fraction;

$$\frac{s^2 + 9}{9s - s^3} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{3 - s} + \frac{C}{3 + s}.$$

After some calculations you should find $A = 1$, $B = 1$, and $C = -1$. Hence

$$\frac{s^2 + 9}{9s - s^3} = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{3 - s} - \frac{1}{3 + s}.$$

Then

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

- (b) (6 points) Given

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

Find $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$.

Solution: We use the second translation formula to get

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s - 4}e^{-2s}\right\} = e^{4(t-2)}\mathcal{U}(t - 2).$$

3. Suppose that $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{1}{s^2}$ for some function $f(t)$ with given that $f(0) = -1$, $f'(0) = 2$, and $f''(0) = 1$.

(a) (6 points) Find $\mathcal{L}\{tf(t)\}$.

Solution: (The information $f(0) = -1$, $f'(0) = 2$, and $f''(0) = 1$ is not relevant, mistakenly given in the statement.)

We use the formula given for the derivative of transformations to get

$$\mathcal{L}\{tf(t)\} = -\frac{d}{ds}\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = -\frac{-2}{s^3} = \frac{2}{s^3}.$$

(b) (6 points) Find $\mathcal{L}\{t^2f(t)\}$.

Solution: Similarly, we use the formula given for the derivative of transformations to get

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^2f(t)\} = (-1)^2 \frac{d^2}{ds^2}\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{3!}{s^4} = \frac{3!}{s^4}.$$

4. (16 points) Using Laplace transform method solve the following DE

$$y'' - 2y' + y = e^{-x} \quad \text{with} \quad y(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad y'(0) = 0.$$

Solution: If we take the Laplace transform of both sides we get

$$\mathcal{L}\{y'' - 2y' + y\} = \mathcal{L}\{e^{-x}\} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{L}\{y''\} - 2\mathcal{L}\{y'\} + \mathcal{L}\{y\} = \mathcal{L}\{e^{-x}\}$$

where we have used the linearity property. Now the using Laplace transform of derivatives we get

$$s^2\mathcal{L}\{y(x)\} - sy(0) - y'(0) - 2s\mathcal{L}\{y(x)\} + 2y(0) + \mathcal{L}\{y(x)\} = \frac{1}{s+1}.$$

Solving for $\mathcal{L}\{y(x)\}$ we get

$$(s^2 - 2s + 1)\mathcal{L}\{y(x)\} = \frac{1}{s+1} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{L}\{y(x)\} = \frac{1}{s+1} \frac{1}{(s-1)^2}.$$

Since

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

we need to find A, B, C . After some algebra, one can find $A = 1/4, B = -1/4, C = 1/2$ and hence we have

$$\mathcal{L}\{y(x)\} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{s+1} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(s-1)^2}.$$

Using the inverse Laplace transform on both sides we get

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\mathcal{L}\{y(x)\}\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{s+1} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(s-1)^2}\right\}.$$

Hence using linearity we have

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{4}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s+1}\right\} - \frac{1}{4}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-1}\right\} + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(s-1)^2}\right\}.$$

This gives us

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{4}e^{-x} - \frac{1}{4}e^x + \frac{1}{2}xe^x.$$

5. (16 points) Using Laplace transform method solve the following DE

$$y' + y = f(t) \quad \text{with} \quad y(0) = 5 \quad \text{where} \quad f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq t < \pi, \\ 3 \cos(t), & t \geq \pi. \end{cases}$$

Solution: Notice first that $f(t) = 3 \cos(t) \mathcal{U}(t - \pi)$. We now take the Laplace transform of both sides to get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{y'\} + \mathcal{L}\{y\} &= \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \\ sY(s) - y(0) + Y(s) &= -3 \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} e^{-\pi s}. \end{aligned}$$

From this and using the given initial value we get

$$(s + 1)Y(s) = 5 - 3 \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} e^{-\pi s}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} Y(s) &= \frac{5}{s + 1} - 3e^{-\pi s} \frac{1}{(s^2 + 1)(s + 1)} \\ &= \frac{5}{s + 1} - 3e^{-\pi s} \left[\frac{A}{s + 1} + \frac{Bs + C}{s^2 + 1} \right] \\ &= \frac{5}{s + 1} - \frac{3}{2} e^{-\pi s} \left[\frac{1}{s + 1} + \frac{-s + 1}{s^2 + 1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

At this point we take the inverse Laplace transform of both sides and use the linearity to get

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{Y(s)\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{5}{s + 1} - \frac{3}{2} e^{-\pi s} \left[\frac{1}{s + 1} + \frac{-s + 1}{s^2 + 1} \right]\right\} \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{5}{s + 1}\right\} - \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{e^{-\pi s} \left[\frac{1}{s + 1} + \frac{-s + 1}{s^2 + 1} \right]\right\} \\ &= 5e^{-t} - \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{e^{-\pi s} \frac{1}{s + 1}\right\} + \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{e^{-\pi s} \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}\right\} - \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{e^{-\pi s} \frac{1}{s^2 + 1}\right\} \\ &= 5e^{-t} - \frac{3}{2} e^{-(t-\pi)} \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) + \frac{3}{2} \cos(t - \pi) \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) - \frac{3}{2} \sin(t - \pi) \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) \\ &= 5e^{-t} - \frac{3}{2} e^{-(t-\pi)} \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) - \frac{3}{2} \cos(t) \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) + \frac{3}{2} \sin(t) \mathcal{U}(t - \pi). \end{aligned}$$

6. **LRC-Series Circuits.** The charge on the capacitor is related to the current $i(t)$ by $i = dq/dt$ which satisfies

$$L \frac{d^2q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{C}q = E(t).$$

Let $L = 1h$, $R = 100\Omega$, $C = 0.0004f$, $E(t) = 40V$, $q(0) = 0C$, $i(0) = 5A$.

- (a) (6 points) Find the charge $q(t)$

Solution: Since $L = 1h$, $R = 100\Omega$, $C = 0.0004f$, $E(t) = 40V$, $q(0) = 0C$, $i(0) = 5A$ we have

$$\frac{d^2q}{dt^2} + 100 \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{0.0004}q = 40.$$

We need to solve the DE to find $q(t)$. This is a constant coefficient and we first find the characteristic equation

$$r^2 + 100r + 2500 = 0$$

From we see that $r = -50$ with double root. From this we see that the complementary solution is

$$q(t) = c_1 e^{-50t} + c_2 t e^{-50t}.$$

One can see that $q_p(t) = 2/125$ (you can test $q_p(t) = c$ and then find c). Hence

$$q(t) = q_c(t) + q_p(t) = c_1 e^{-50t} + c_2 t e^{-50t} + \frac{2}{125}.$$

Since $q(0) = 0$ we see that $c_1 = -2/125$. Since $i(0) = q'(0) = 0$ we get

$$5 = \frac{100}{125} + c_2 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad c_2 = 5 - \frac{100}{125} = \frac{21}{5}.$$

Hence

$$q(t) = -\frac{2}{125} e^{-50t} + \frac{21}{5} t e^{-50t} + \frac{2}{125}.$$

- (b) (6 points) Find the current $i(t)$.

Solution: Since $i(t) = q'(t)$ we get

$$i(t) = \frac{100}{125} e^{-50t} + \frac{21}{5} e^{-50t} - 210 t e^{-50t} = e^{-50t} - 210 t e^{-50t}$$

- (c) (4 points) Find the maximum charge on the capacitor.

Solution: This happens when $i(t) = q'(t) = 0$.

$$i(t) = 0 = e^{-50t} - 210 t e^{-50t}.$$

which gives $t = 1/210$ and the maximum charge is $q(1/210)$.