

DIRECTIONS:

- **STAPLE** this page to the front of your homework (don't forget your name!).
- Show all work, clearly and in order **You will lose points if you work is not in order.**
- When required, **do not forget the units!**
- Circle your final answers. **You will lose points if you do not circle your answers.**

Question	Points	Score
1	2	
2	2	
3	6	
Total	10	

Problem 1: (2 points) Verify the following

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos t\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}.$$

Using the definition of the Laplace transform, we find

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos t\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \cos t dt.$$

By using integration by parts twice we obtain

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos t\} = s - s^2 \mathcal{L}\{\cos t\}.$$

Rearranging, we find

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos t\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}.$$

Problem 2: (2 points) Find the inverse Laplace Transform of

$$F(s) = \frac{3s}{s^2 - s - 6}.$$

Consider

$$F(s) = \frac{3s}{s^2 - s - 6} = \frac{A}{s - 3} + \frac{B}{s + 2},$$

by partial fractions and we find $A = 9/5$ and $B = 6/5$. Hence

$$f(t) = \frac{9}{5}e^{3t} + \frac{6}{5}e^{-2t}.$$

Problem 3: (6 points) Use the Laplace Transform to solve the following initial value problem(s)

(a) (2 points) $y'' - y' - 6y = \cos t$, $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = -1$.

Taking the Laplace Transform of both sides and using the initial conditions we obtain

$$(s^2 - s - 6)Y(s) - s + 2 = \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}.$$

Hence

$$Y(s) = \frac{s - 2}{s^2 - s - 6} + \frac{s}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 - s - 6)} = \frac{44}{50} \left(\frac{1}{s + 2} \right) + \frac{13}{50} \left(\frac{2}{s - 3} \right) - \frac{9}{50} \left(\frac{s}{s^2 + 1} \right) + \frac{1}{50} \left(\frac{1}{s^2 + 1} \right),$$

by partial fractions. Hence

$$y(t) = \frac{44}{50}e^{-2t} + \frac{13}{50}e^{3t} + \frac{1}{50} \sin t - \frac{9}{50} \cos t.$$

(b) (2 points) $y'' + 4y = \sin(t) - u_{2\pi}(t) \sin(t - 2\pi)$, $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 0$.

Taking the Laplace Transform of both sides and using the initial conditions we obtain

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

Hence

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

which implies that $y(t) = h(t) - u_{2\pi}h(t - 2\pi)$, so we need only find the inverse Laplace transform of $H(s)$.

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{As + B}{s^2} + \frac{Cs + D}{s^2 + 1},$$

and by partial fraction we find $A = C = 0$, $B = -1/3$, and $D = 1/3$. Hence

$$H(s) = -\frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{2}{s^2 + 4} \right) + \frac{2}{6} \left(\frac{1}{s^2 + 1} \right),$$

and

$$h(t) = -\frac{1}{6} (\sin(2t) - 2 \sin(t)).$$

Notice that $h(t - 2\pi) = h(t)$, which implies that

$$y(t) = -\frac{1}{6} (1 - u_{2\pi}(t)) (\sin(2t) - 2 \sin(t)).$$

(c) (2 points) $y'' + 4y = \delta(t - \pi) - \delta(t - 2\pi)$, $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 0$.

Taking the Laplace Transform of both sides and using the initial conditions we obtain

$$(s^2 + 4)Y(s) = e^{-\pi s} - e^{-2\pi s} \implies Y(s) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{s^2 + 4} \right) (e^{-\pi s} - e^{-2\pi s}) = H(s) (e^{-\pi s} - e^{-2\pi s}).$$

Hence $h(t) = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2t)$ and

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{2} u_{\pi}(t) \sin(2(t - \pi)) - \frac{1}{2} u_{2\pi} \sin(2(t - 2\pi)).$$