

# MATH 225, SPRING 2017 - HOMEWORK #6

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## Section 7.2

**Problem 2:**  $\mathcal{L}\{t^2\} = \int_0^\infty e^{-st}t^2 dt$ , which can be computed using integration by parts (remember to treat  $s$  as a constant). Let  $u = t^2$ , then  $du = 2t dt$  and  $dv = e^{-st}$  so that  $v = -\frac{e^{-st}}{s}$ . Therefore,  $\int e^{-st}t^2 dt = -\frac{e^{-st}t^2}{s} + \frac{2}{s} \int e^{-st}t dt$ . The second integral can be computed using integration by parts too. Let  $u = t$ , then  $du = dt$  and when  $dv = e^{-st}$ ,  $v = -\frac{e^{-st}}{s}$ . Then,  $\int e^{-st}t dt = -\frac{te^{-st}}{s} + \frac{1}{s} \int e^{-st} dt = -\frac{te^{-st}}{s} - \frac{1}{s^2}e^{-st}$ . Thus, the original integral becomes  $\int e^{-st}t^2 dt = -\frac{e^{-st}t^2}{s} + \frac{2}{s}[-\frac{te^{-st}}{s} - \frac{1}{s^2}e^{-st}] = -\frac{e^{-st}t^2}{s} - \frac{2te^{-st}}{s^2} - \frac{2e^{-st}}{s^3}$ . Then, the problem is to evaluate as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  and at  $t = 0$ . As  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , use l'Hospital's rule and you will find this expression tends to 0 as long as  $s > 0$ . At  $t = 0$ , the solution is  $-\frac{2}{s^3}$ . Therefore, the solution is  $\mathcal{L}\{t^2\} = 0 - (-\frac{2}{s^3}) = \frac{2}{s^3}$  for  $s > 0$ .

**Problem 3:**  $\mathcal{L}\{e^{6t}\} = \int_0^\infty e^{-st}e^{6t} dt = \int_0^\infty e^{-st+6t} dt$ , which can be computed using a substitution. Let  $u = -st + 6t$ , then  $du = (-s + 6) dt$ . Thus,  $\int e^{-st+6t} dt = \frac{1}{-s+6} \int e^u du$ . Therefore, the solution to the integral is  $\frac{e^{-st+6t}}{-s+6}$ . Then, the problem is to evaluate as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  and at  $t = 0$ . As  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $e^{-st+6t}$  tends to 0 as long as  $s > 6$ . At  $t = 0$ , the solution is  $\frac{1}{6-s}$ . Therefore, the solution is  $\mathcal{L}\{t^2\} = 0 - (\frac{1}{6-s}) = \frac{1}{s-6}$  for  $s > 6$ .

**Problem 12:**  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \int_0^3 e^{-st}e^{2t} dt + \int_3^\infty e^{-st} dt$ . The first integral can be computed using a substitution as in problem 3. Let  $u = -st + 2t$ , then  $du = (-s + 2) dt$ . Thus,  $\int e^{-st+2t} dt = \frac{1}{-s+2} \int e^u du$ . Therefore, the solution to the first integral is  $\frac{e^{-st+2t}}{-s+2}$ . Evaluating this at  $t = 3$  and  $t = 0$  results in the solution  $\frac{e^{-3s+6}-1}{-s+2}$ , which exists for  $s > 2$ . The second integral is simply  $-\frac{1}{s}e^{-st}$ . As  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $e^{-st}$  tends to 0 as long as  $s > 0$ . At  $t = 3$ , the solution is  $-\frac{e^{-3s}}{s}$  so that the integral evaluated at the bounds 0 to infinity is  $0 - (-\frac{1}{s}) = \frac{e^{-3s}}{s}$ . Therefore, the solution is  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \frac{e^{-3s+6}-1}{-s+2} + \frac{e^{-3s}}{s}$  for  $s > 2$ .

**Problem 13:** Using the linearity of the Laplace transform:  $\mathcal{L}\{6e^{-3t} - t^2 + 2t - 8\} = 6\mathcal{L}\{e^{-3t}\} - \mathcal{L}\{t^2\} + 2\mathcal{L}\{t\} - 8\mathcal{L}\{1\}$ . Using the table of Laplace transforms, we find that this expression is equal to  $6\left(\frac{1}{s+3}\right) - \frac{2}{s^3} + 2\left(\frac{1}{s^2}\right) - 8\left(\frac{1}{s}\right)$ , which is defined for  $s > 0$ .

**Problem 17:** Using the linearity of the Laplace transform:  $\mathcal{L}\{e^{3t} \sin 6t - t^3 + e^t\} = \mathcal{L}\{e^{3t} \sin 6t\} - \mathcal{L}\{t^3\} + \mathcal{L}\{e^t\}$ . Using the table of Laplace transforms, we find that this expression is equal to  $\frac{6}{(s-3)^2+36} - \frac{6}{s^4} + \frac{1}{s-1}$ , which is defined for  $s > 3$ .

**Problem 30:** Each of the Laplace transform's listed in the table is a proper rational function where the degree of the denominator is greater than the degree of the numerator. Hence, as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ , each function approaches 0.

## Section 7.3

**Problem 4:** Using linearity  $\mathcal{L}\{3t^4 - 2t^2 + 1\} = 3\mathcal{L}\{t^4\} - 2\mathcal{L}\{t^2\} + \mathcal{L}\{1\} = 3\left(\frac{4!}{s^5}\right) - 2\left(\frac{2!}{s^3}\right) + \frac{1}{s} = \frac{72}{s^5} - \frac{4}{s^3} + \frac{1}{s}$ , which is defined for  $s > 0$ .

**Problem 9:** Using Table 7.2,  $\mathcal{L}\{e^{-t}t \sin(2t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{te^{-t} \sin(2t)\} = (-1)^1 \frac{d}{ds}(\mathcal{L}\{e^{-t} \sin(2t)\})$ . Using Table 7.1,  $\mathcal{L}\{e^{-t} \sin(2t)\} = \frac{2}{(s+1)^2+4}$ . The derivative of this function is  $\frac{-4(s+1)}{((s+1)^2+4)^2}$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{L}\{e^{-t}t \sin(2t)\} = (-1)^1 \frac{d}{ds}(\mathcal{L}\{e^{-t} \sin(2t)\}) = -1 \left( \frac{-4(s+1)}{((s+1)^2+4)^2} \right) = \frac{4(s+1)}{((s+1)^2+4)^2}$ .

**Problem 21:** Using the translation property,  $\mathcal{L}\{e^{at} \cos bt\} = \mathcal{L}\{\cos bt\}(s-a) = \frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2+b^2}$ . Note:  $\mathcal{L}\{\cos bt\}(s-a)$  is the Laplace transform of  $\cos bt$  (which is a function of  $s$ ) evaluated at  $(s-a)$ , not multiplied!

**Problem 22:** We know when  $n = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{L}\{t^0\} = \mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{1}{s}$ . Using formula 6,  $\mathcal{L}\{t^n\} = \mathcal{L}\{t^n \cdot 1\} = (-1)^n \cdot \frac{d^n}{ds^n}(\mathcal{L}\{1\}) = (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n}(\frac{1}{s})$ . At this point, notice that  $\frac{d^n}{ds^n}(\frac{1}{s}) = (-1)(-2) \cdots (-n) \frac{1}{s^{n+1}} = (-1)^n (1 \cdot 2 \cdots n) \frac{1}{s^{n+1}} = (-1)^n (n!) \frac{1}{s^{n+1}}$ . Therefore,  $(-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n}(\frac{1}{s}) = (-1)^n (-1)^n (n!) \frac{1}{s^{n+1}} = (-1)^{2n} (n!) \frac{1}{s^{n+1}}$ . However, note that  $2n$  is always an even integer; which means  $(-1)^{2n}$  is always equal to 1. Therefore, we get  $\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$  as the final solution.

**Problem 27:** Use the hint. Since  $f$  is piecewise continuous and of exponential order its Laplace transform exists. Let  $F(s)$  be the Laplace transform of  $f$ . Then, by definition,  $F(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt$ . Then, integrate both sides with respect to  $s$ ,  $\int_s^\infty F(s) ds = \int_s^\infty [\int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt] ds$ . Then, by Leibniz's rule we interchange the order of integration so that  $\int_s^\infty F(s) ds = \int_0^\infty [\int_s^\infty e^{-st} f(t) ds] dt = \int_0^\infty f(t) [\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-e^{-st}}{t}]_s^a dt = \int_0^\infty f(t) \frac{e^{-st}}{t} dt = \mathcal{L}\{\frac{f(t)}{t}\}$ . Therefore,  $\frac{d}{ds} \mathcal{L}\{\frac{f(t)}{t}\} = \frac{d}{ds} \int_s^\infty F(s) ds = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} F(a) - F(s) = 0 - F(s) = -F(s)$  (using the result of part (b) in Problem 26 because  $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f\}(s)$ ). So,  $F(s) = \int_s^\infty F(u) du$ .

**Problem 31:**  $\mathcal{L}\{g(t)\} = \int_0^c e^{-st} 0 dt + \int_c^\infty e^{-st} f(t-c) dt$ . The first integral is 0. For the second integral, let  $t = x + c$ , so that it becomes  $\int_0^\infty f(x) e^{-s(x+c)} dx = \int_0^\infty f(x) e^{-sx} e^{-sc} dx = e^{-sc} \int_0^\infty e^{-sx} f(x) dx = e^{-sc} \mathcal{L}\{f\}(s)$ .

## Section 7.4

**Problem 4:**  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{4}{s^2+9}\}(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{\frac{4}{3} \cdot 3}{s^2+3^2}\}(t) = \frac{4}{3} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{3}{s^2+3^2}\}(t) = \frac{4}{3} \sin 3t$

**Problem 10:**  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{s-1}{2s^2+s+6}\}(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{s-1}{2(s^2+s/2+3)}\}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{s-1}{(s+1/4)^2+47/16}\}(t)$ . So,  $\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{s+1/4}{(s+1/4)^2+(\sqrt{47}/4)^2} - \frac{5}{\sqrt{47}} \frac{\sqrt{47}/4}{(s+1/4)^2+(\sqrt{47}/4)^2}\}(t) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-t/4} \cos(\frac{\sqrt{47}t}{4}) - \frac{5}{2\sqrt{47}} e^{-t/4} \sin(\frac{\sqrt{47}t}{4})$

**Problem 22:** To compute  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{s+11}{(s-1)(s+3)}\}(t)$ , first use partial fractions to decompose the rational function  $\frac{s+11}{(s-1)(s+3)} = \frac{A}{s-1} + \frac{B}{s+3} \Rightarrow As + 3A + Bs - B = s + 11$ . Therefore,  $A + B = 1$  and  $3A - B = 11$ . Solving this system yields  $A = 3$ ,  $B = -2$ . So, we get  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{s+11}{(s-1)(s+3)}\}(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{3}{s-1} - \frac{2}{s+3}\}(t) = 3e^t - 2e^{-3t}$ .

**Problem 27:** In order to do this problem, first solve for  $F(s) : F(s)[s^2 - 4] = \frac{5}{s+1} \Rightarrow F(s) = \frac{5}{s+1} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2-4} = \frac{5}{(s+1)(s+2)(s-2)}$ . Then, use partial fractions to decompose the rational function  $\frac{5}{(s+1)(s+2)(s-2)} = \frac{A}{s+1} + \frac{B}{s+2} + \frac{C}{s-2} \Rightarrow A(s^2 - 4) + B(s^2 - s - 2) + C(s^2 + 3s + 2) = 5$ . Therefore,  $A + B + C = 0$ ,  $-B + 3C = 0$ , and  $-4A - 2B + 2C = 5$ . Solving this system yields  $A = -\frac{5}{3}$ ,  $B = \frac{5}{4}$ ,  $C = \frac{5}{12}$ . Then, we are solving  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{\frac{-5}{3(s+1)} + \frac{5}{4(s+2)} + \frac{5}{12(s-2)}\}(t) = -\frac{5}{3} e^{-t} + \frac{5}{4} e^{-2t} + \frac{5}{12} e^{2t}$ .

**Problem 31:** The Laplace transform, by definition, is a definite integral. So, the discrete points at which the function is defined do not matter. Therefore,  $\mathcal{L}\{f_1\} = \mathcal{L}\{t\} = \frac{1}{s^2}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}\{f_2\} = \mathcal{L}\{t\} = \frac{1}{s^2}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}\{f_3\} = \mathcal{L}\{t\} = \frac{1}{s^2}$ . By definition of the inverse Laplace transform, the function  $f = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$  must be continuous. Since  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  have points of discontinuity, the inverse Laplace transform of  $1/s^2$  is  $f(t) = t$ .