

MATH225
quiz #3, 04/09/19
Total 100
Solutions

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1. (40)

(a) (20) Find the inverse Laplace transform $y(t)$ of $Y(s) = \frac{3}{(s-1)^2(s-2)}$

$y(t) =$

Solution.

$$\frac{3}{(s-1)^2(s-2)} = \frac{A}{s-2} + \frac{Bs+C}{(s-1)^2}, \text{ with } A=3, B=-3, C=0.$$

Hence

$$Y(s) = \frac{3}{s-2} - \frac{3}{s-1} - \frac{3}{(s-1)^2}, \text{ and } y(t) = 3(e^{2t} - e^t - te^t).$$

(b) (20) Use the Laplace transform method to solve $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 3e^t$, $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$.

$y(t) =$

Solution. The Laplace transform of the equation leads to

$$(s^2 - 4s + 4)Y(s) = \frac{3}{s-1}, \text{ and } Y(s) = \frac{3}{(s-1)(s-2)^2}.$$

Hence

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

$$\text{and } y(t) = 3(e^t - e^{2t} + te^{2t}).$$

2. (30) Find the inverse Laplace transform $y(t)$ of the function $Y(s) = \frac{2s-3}{9s^2-12s+20}$.

$y(t) =$

Solution. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} Y(s) &= \frac{2s-3}{9s^2-12s+20} = \frac{2s-3}{(3s-2)^2+16} = \frac{2s-3}{9[(s-2/3)^2+16/9]} \\ &= \frac{2}{9} \frac{s-2/3}{(s-2/3)^2+(4/3)^2} - \frac{5}{36} \frac{4/3}{(s-2/3)^2+(4/3)^2}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } y(t) = \frac{2}{9} e^{2t/3} \cos \frac{4t}{3} - \frac{5}{36} e^{2t/3} \sin \frac{4t}{3}.$$

3. (30) Solve the initial value problem $y''(t) + 4y(t) = \cos t$, $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$.
 $y(t) =$

Solution. We apply the Laplace transform to both sides of the equation

$$Y(s) = \frac{s}{(s^2 + 1)(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{s}{s^2 + 4}.$$

Finally $y(t) = \frac{1}{3} \cos t - \frac{1}{3} \cos(2t)$.

4. (20) Use the Laplace transform to solve $y' + 2y = 0$, $y(0) = 3$.
 $y(t) =$

Solution. We apply the Laplace transform to both sides of the equation and obtain

$$(s + 2)Y(s) = 3, \text{ and } Y(s) = \frac{3}{s + 2}.$$

From the Laplace transform table $L\{e^{-2t}\}(s) = \frac{1}{s + 2}$, and finally $y(t) = 3e^{-2t}$.