

MATH 250  
SPRING 2018  
EXAM 4

NAME:

1. [10 pts. each] A 1/8-kg object is attached to a spring with stiffness 16 N/m. The damping constant for the system is 2 N-sec/m. If the object is moved 3/4 m to the left of equilibrium (compressing the spring) and given an initial leftward velocity of 2 m/sec, determine the following.
  - (a) The equation of motion of the object.
  - (b) The object's maximum displacement to the left.
2. [20 pts.] Use the power series method to solve the initial-value problem
$$y'' + xy' - 2y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0.$$
3. [15 pts.] Use the definition of the Laplace transform to find  $\mathcal{L}[f(t)](s)$  for
$$f(t) = \begin{cases} e^{2t}, & 0 \leq t < 3 \\ 1, & t \geq 3 \end{cases}$$
4. [5 pts. each] Use the table of Laplace transforms to find each.
  - (a)  $\mathcal{L}[t^5 - 7e^{-3t} \sin 4t](s)$
  - (b)  $\mathcal{L}[\sin t \cos 2t]$
5. [20 pts.] Solve using the Laplace transform method:
$$y'' - 2y' - y = e^{2t} - e^t, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 3.$$

$f(t)$	$\mathcal{L}[f](s)$	$\text{Dom}(\mathcal{L}[f])$
$t \sin bt$	$\frac{2bs}{(s^2 + b^2)^2}$	$s > 0$
$t \cos bt$	$\frac{s^2 - b^2}{(s^2 + b^2)^2}$	$s > 0$
$e^{at} \sin bt$	$\frac{b}{(s - a)^2 + b^2}$	$s > a$
$e^{at} \cos bt$	$\frac{s - a}{(s - a)^2 + b^2}$	$s > a$
$e^{at} t^n, n = 0, 1, \dots$	$\frac{n!}{(s - a)^{n+1}}$	$s > a$
$u(t - a), a \geq 0$	$\frac{e^{-as}}{s}$	$s > 0$
$\delta(t - a), a \geq 0$	$e^{-as}$	$s > 0$
$(f * g)(t)$	$\mathcal{L}[f(t)](s) \mathcal{L}[g(t)](s)$	$s > 0$

$$\mathcal{L}[f'](s) = s\mathcal{L}[f](s) - f(0)$$

$$\mathcal{L}[f''](s) = s^2\mathcal{L}[f](s) - sf(0) - f'(0)$$

$$\mathcal{L}[t^n f(t)](s) = (-1)^n F^{(n)}(s)$$

$$\mathcal{L}[f(t-a)u(t-a)](s) = e^{-as}\mathcal{L}[f(t)](s)$$

$$\mathcal{L}[g(t)u(t-a)](s) = e^{-as}\mathcal{L}[g(t+a)](s)$$

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)$$

$$\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2x)$$

$$\sin x \cos y = \frac{1}{2}[\sin(x+y) + \sin(x-y)]$$

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$$\sin x \sin y = \frac{1}{2}[\cos(x-y) - \cos(x+y)]$$