

Math 222 EXAM III, April 13, 2005

Read each problem carefully. Show all your work for each problem! No Calculators!

1. (10) An object weighing 4lb (mass $m = \frac{1}{8}\text{lb} \cdot \text{s}^2/\text{ft}$) stretches a spring $\frac{1}{2}\text{ft}$. Determine the natural frequency and the period when the spring is set in motion.
2. (12) Find the Laplace Transform of the function $f(t) = t[1 - u_1(t)]$ **using the definition of the Laplace Transform**.
3. (8) Use the convolution theorem to find the inverse Laplace Transform of the function below. Do not evaluate the integral.

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

4. (12) Consider the function $g(t) = t + \alpha u_1(t) - tu_3(t)$.
 - (a) (4) Determine the value of the constant α for which $g(2) = 1$.
 - (b) (8) Carefully sketch $g(t)$ on the interval $t \in [0, 5]$ using the value of α from part (a).
5. (12) Find the inverse Laplace Transform of the given functions.

$$(a) F(s) = \frac{1 - e^{-s}}{s}; \quad (b) H(s) = \frac{s + 6}{s^2 + 6s + 10}.$$

6. (20) An object weighing 64lb (mass $m = 2\text{lb} \cdot \text{s}^2/\text{ft}$) stretches a spring 8 ft. The undamped system, initially at rest, is suddenly set in motion by an external force of $12 \sin(\omega t)\text{lb}$.
 - (a) (5) Write the governing equation and initial conditions for this system.
 - (b) (5) For what value of ω will the system exhibit resonance?
 - (c) (10) Use the Laplace transform to solve the IVP with $\omega = 1$ (do **not** use the convolution theorem).
7. (8) Find the inverse Laplace Transform of the function

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

8. (18) Consider the initial value problem

$$y'' + y = \gamma \delta(t - \pi/4), \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = -1.$$

- (a) (12) Find the solution of the given initial value problem.
- (b) (6) Determine the value of γ such that all motion ceases (i.e. $y = 0$) for $t \geq \pi/4$. (Useful fact: $\sin(a - b) = \sin(a) \cos(b) - \cos(a) \sin(b)$)