

HOMEWORK 18
DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS
DUE 11-07

Show your work! In class, we claimed that just about everything one needs to know about the Laplace transform can be boiled down to two rules:

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\} = \frac{1}{s-a} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{if } \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s), \text{ then } \mathcal{L}\{f'(t)\} = sF(s) - f(0).$$

For the handout problems, you must show your work; just giving the answer using the chart on p. 321 is *not* enough. You also must give the answer as a single fraction, simplified as far as possible.

- (1) For this problem, you may use #3.3.29 (without re-solving it). Give your answers as single fraction, simplified as far as possible.
 - (a) Compute $\mathcal{L}\{\sin(\omega t)\}$ and $\mathcal{L}\{\cos(\omega t)\}$.
 - (b) Compute $\mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\sin(bt)\}$ and $\mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\cos(bt)\}$.
- (2) Find a formula for $\mathcal{L}\{f''(t)\}$ in terms of $F(s)$, $f(0)$, and $f'(0)$. (HINT: Think of it as $\mathcal{L}\{g'(t)\}$, where $g(t) = f'(t)$.)
- (3) (a) Show that, if $g'(t) = f(t)$, then $\mathcal{L}\{g(t)\} = \frac{1}{s}(F(s) + g(0))$. (HINT: $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{g'(t)\}$.)
(b) Use part (a) to compute $\mathcal{L}\{t\}$.
- (4) In class, we saw that, if

$$3y' + 4y = e^{2t}, \quad y(0) = 1,$$

then $Y = \frac{3s-5}{(s-2)(3s+4)}$.

- (a) What is a function whose Laplace transform is $\frac{1}{3s+4}$? (HINT: Factor out $\frac{1}{3}$.)
- (b) Use partial fractions to write

$$\frac{3s-5}{(s-2)(3s+4)} = \frac{A}{s-2} + \frac{B}{3s+4}.$$

- (c) Use your answer to (b) to find y .
 - (d) Check that your answer to (c) is actually a solution to the original problem.
- **Two** book problems: #6.2.1, 3.