

Written Problem Set # 2

Attempt and turn in all problems.

A table of Laplace transforms is attached.

1. For each of the following functions do the following:
- Write the function as a piecewise function and sketch its graph;
 - Write the function as a combination of terms of the form $u_a(t)k(t-a)$; and
 - compute the Laplace transform.

(a) $f(t) = t(1 - u_1(t)) + e^t(u_1(t) - u_2(t))$

(b) $g(t) = \sin(2t) + u_\pi(t)(t/\pi - \sin(2t)) + u_{2\pi}(t)(2\pi - t)/\pi$

(c) $h(t) = u_0(t) + \sum_{k=1}^5 (-1)^k u_k(t)$

2. Solve the initial value problem

$$y' + 6y = g(t), \quad \text{where} \quad g(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 12 & \text{if } 1 \leq t < 7, \\ 0 & \text{if } 7 \leq t \end{cases}$$

and with $y(0) = 4$.

3. Solve the initial value problem

$$y'' + y = g(t) \quad \text{where} \quad g(t) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } 1 \leq t \end{cases},$$

and with $y(0) = 0$ and $y'(0) = 0$.

4. Consider the mass-spring system described by the initial value problem

$$y'' + 4y = \sin t + u_{\pi/2}(t) \cos t \quad \text{with} \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0.$$

Find the solution of the initial value problem.

Hint: Recall that $\cos t$ is a shift of $\sin t$.

5. Determine the value of the following integrals:

(a) $\int_2^7 \delta(t+1) dt;$

(b) $\int_{-2}^7 \delta(t-1) dt;$

(c) $\int_{-2}^4 (2t^4 - t^3 + 7t^2 - 1) \delta(t-1) dt;$

(d) $\int_1^8 \ln(t^2) \delta(t-e) dt.$

6. Solve the initial value problem

$$y'' + 2y' + 2y = \delta(t - \pi), \quad \text{with ICs } y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0,$$

and sketch a graph of the solution.

7. Solve the initial value problem

$$y'' + y = \delta(t - 2\pi) \cos t, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 1,$$

and sketch a graph of the solution.

8. Consider the initial value problem

$$y'' + 2y' + y = k \delta(t - 1), \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0,$$

where k is a constant parameter.

(a) Find the solution of the initial value problem.

(b) Find the value of k for which the solution has a maximum value of 2.

TABLE 6.2.1 Elementary Laplace Transforms

$f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$	$F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$	Notes
1. 1	$\frac{1}{s}, \quad s > 0$	Sec. 6.1; Ex. 4
2. e^{at}	$\frac{1}{s-a}, \quad s > a$	Sec. 6.1; Ex. 5
3. $t^n, \quad n$ a positive integer	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}, \quad s > 0$	Sec. 6.1; Prob. 24
4. $t^p, \quad p > -1$	$\frac{\Gamma(p+1)}{s^{p+1}}, \quad s > 0$	Sec. 6.1; Prob. 24
5. $\sin(at)$	$\frac{a}{s^2+a^2}, \quad s > 0$	Sec. 6.1; Ex. 7
6. $\cos(at)$	$\frac{s}{s^2+a^2}, \quad s > 0$	Sec. 6.1; Prob. 5
7. $\sinh(at)$	$\frac{a}{s^2-a^2}, \quad s > a $	Sec. 6.1; Prob. 7
8. $\cosh(at)$	$\frac{s}{s^2-a^2}, \quad s > a $	Sec. 6.1; Prob. 6
9. $e^{at} \sin(bt)$	$\frac{b}{(s-a)^2+b^2}, \quad s > a$	Sec. 6.1; Prob. 10
10. $e^{at} \cos(bt)$	$\frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2+b^2}, \quad s > a$	Sec. 6.1; Prob. 11
11. $t^n e^{at}, \quad n$ a positive integer	$\frac{n!}{(s-a)^{n+1}}, \quad s > a$	Sec. 6.1; Prob. 14
12. $u_c(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < c \\ 1 & t \geq c \end{cases}$	$\frac{e^{-cs}}{s}, \quad s > 0$	Sec. 6.3
13. $u_c(t)f(t-c)$	$e^{-cs}F(s)$	Sec. 6.3
14. $e^{ct}f(t)$	$F(s-c)$	Sec. 6.3
15. $f(ct)$	$\frac{1}{c}F\left(\frac{s}{c}\right), \quad c > 0$	Sec. 6.3; Prob. 17
16. $(f * g)(t) = \int_0^t f(t-\tau)g(\tau) d\tau$	$F(s)G(s)$	Sec. 6.6
17. $\delta(t-c)$	e^{-cs}	Sec. 6.5
18. $f^{(n)}(t)$	$s^n F(s) - s^{n-1}f(0) - \dots - f^{(n-1)}(0)$	Sec. 6.2; Cor. 6.2.2
19. $(-t)^n f(t)$	$F^{(n)}(s)$	Sec. 6.2; Prob. 21