

Answer all 6 questions. An unjustified answer will receive little or no credit. BEGIN EACH QUESTION ON A SEPARATE PAGE

- (15) 1. (a) Find  $\mathcal{L}\{t^2\}(s)$  directly from the definition of the Laplace transform.
- (b) Define when  $x_0$  is a regular singular point of the ODE  $y'' + P_1(x)y' + P_2(x)y = 0$ .
- (15) 2. Find the general solution of the ODE  $4x^2y'' - 3y = 6$  by transforming it into a non-homogeneous constant coefficient linear equation in  $y$  and  $t$ .
- (20) 3. Solve the following ODEs by using Laplace transforms
- $y'(t) - 3y(t) = 4e^{-t}$  with  $y(0) = 1$
  - $y''(t) + 9y(t) = 0$  with  $y(0) = 4$  &  $y'(0) = -6$ .
- (20) 4. For each of the following ODEs, find the indicial equation and the form of two lin. indep. series solution about  $x_0=0$ .
- $x^2y'' + xy' + (x-2)y = 0$
  - $x^2y'' + \left(x - \frac{3}{4}\right)y = 0$
- (15) 5. Find the first 4 non-zero terms of the power series solution of  $y'' + 2xy = 0$  with  $y(0)=3$  &  $y'(0)=2$ .
- (15) 6. We know that  $\mathcal{L}\{\cos(bt)\}(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + b^2}$ . Starting with this fact, use any of the Theorems proved in class to find
- $\mathcal{L}\{t \cos t\}(s)$
  - $\mathcal{L}\{\cos^2 t\}(s)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 1(a) \quad \mathcal{L}\{t^2\} &= \int_0^\infty t^2 e^{-st} dt = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^R t^2 e^{-st} dt \\
 &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{t^2}{s} e^{-st} \right]_0^R + \frac{1}{s} \int_0^R e^{-st} \cdot 2t dt \quad \boxed{\text{Put } u = t^2 \text{ & } dv = e^{-st} dt} \\
 &= 0 + \frac{2}{s} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^R e^{-st} \cdot t dt \quad \boxed{du = 2t dt \quad v = -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st}} \\
 &= \frac{2}{s} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left[ -\frac{t}{s} e^{-st} \right]_0^R + \int_0^R \frac{1}{s} e^{-st} dt \right\} \quad \boxed{\text{Put } u = t \text{ & } dv = e^{-st} dt} \\
 &= \frac{2}{s} \cdot \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{-1}{s^2} e^{-st} \right]_0^R = \frac{2}{s^3}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) We say that  $x_0$  is a singular point of  $y'' + P_1(x)y' + P_2(x)y = 0$  if at least one of the two functions  $P_1(x)$  &  $P_2(x)$  is not analytic at  $x_0$ . We say that  $x_0$  is a regular singular point if  $x_0$  is a singular point and both  $(x-x_0)P_1(x)$  &  $(x-x_0)^2P_2(x)$  are analytic at  $x_0$ .

2.  $4x^2y'' - 3y = 6$  (\*). Put  $x = e^t$ . Then  $t = \ln x$  and  $x^2y'' = D^2y - Dy$  &  $xy' = Dy$ .

Here  $Dy = \frac{dy}{dt}$ . So (\*) becomes

$$4(D^2y - Dy) - 3y = 6 \quad (**)$$

$$\therefore (4D^2 - 4D - 3)y = 6 \Rightarrow$$

Homog. Eq.  $(4D^2 - 4D - 3)y = 0 \Rightarrow 4D^2 - 4D - 3 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (2D+1)(2D-3) \Rightarrow D = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \frac{3}{2}.$$

$$\therefore y_c(t) = C_1 e^{-t/2} + C_2 e^{3t/2}$$

Try  $y_p(t) = A$ . Then  $y_p'(t) = 0$  &  $y_p''(t) = 0$ . So (\*\*) becomes  $0 - 0 - 3A = 6 \Rightarrow A = -2$ .

$$\therefore y = C_1 e^{-t/2} + C_2 e^{3t/2} = C_1 x^{-1/2} + C_2 x^{3/2} - 2.$$

$$3(a) \quad y'(t) - 3y(t) = 4e^{-t} \quad y(0) = 1$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}\{y'\} - 3\mathcal{L}\{y\} = 4\mathcal{L}\{e^{-t}\}$$

$$\therefore s\mathcal{L}\{y\} - y(0) - 3\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{4}{s+1}$$

$$\therefore (s-3)\mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{4}{s+1} + y(0) = \frac{4}{s+1} + 1 = \frac{s+5}{s+1}$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{s+5}{(s-3)(s+1)} = \frac{A}{s-3} + \frac{B}{s+1}$$

$$\therefore A(s+1) + B(s-3) = s+5$$

$$\text{Putting } s=3, \text{ gives } A(3+1) = 3+5 \Rightarrow A=2$$

$$\text{Putting } s=-1, \text{ gives } B(-1-3) = -1+5 \Rightarrow B=-1$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{2}{s-3} - \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$\therefore y(t) = 2e^{3t} - e^{-t}$$

$$(b) \quad y''(t) + 9y(t) = 0 \quad y(0) = 4, \quad y'(0) = -6$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}\{y''\} + 9\mathcal{L}\{y\} = 0$$

$$\therefore s^2\mathcal{L}\{y\} - sy(0) - y'(0) + 9\mathcal{L}\{y\} = 0$$

$$\therefore (s^2+9)\mathcal{L}\{y\} = sy(0) + y'(0) = 4s - 6$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{L}\{y\} = \frac{4s-6}{s^2+3^2} = 4 \cdot \frac{s}{s^2+3^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{3}{s^2+3^2}$$

$$\therefore y(t) = 4 \cos(3t) - 2 \sin(3t).$$

4(a)  $x^2y'' + xy' + (x-2)y = 0$ . The associated Cauchy-

Euler equation is  $x^2y'' + xy' - 2y = 0$ . So

the indicial equation is  $r(r-1) + r - 2 = 0$

$$\therefore r^2 - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow r = \pm \sqrt{2} \therefore r_1 = \sqrt{2}, r_2 = -\sqrt{2}$$

Since  $r_1 - r_2 = 2\sqrt{2}$  is not an integer, we know that there are two linearly indep. solutions of the form

$$y_1(x) = x^{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot x^n \quad \text{with } a_0 \neq 0$$

$$y_2(x) = x^{-\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n \cdot x^n \quad \text{with } b_0 \neq 0.$$

4(b)  $x^2 y'' + (x - 3/4)y = 0$ . The associated Cauchy-Euler equation is  $x^2 y'' - 3/4 y = 0$ . So the indicial equation will be  $r(r-1) - 3/4 = 0$

$$\therefore r^2 - r - 3/4 = 0 \quad (r + 1/2)(r - 3/2) = 0$$

$$\therefore r_1 = 3/2 \text{ and } r_2 = -1/2. \text{ Since}$$

$r_1 - r_2 = 2$  is a positive integer, we know that two linearly indep. solutions will be of the form

$$y_1(x) = x^{3/2} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \quad \text{with } a_0 \neq 0$$

$$\& y_2(x) = A \cdot y_1(x) \ln x + x^{-1/2} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n \text{ with } b_0 \neq 0$$

Here  $A$  may or may not be zero.

$$5, \quad y'' + 2xy = 0 : (*), \quad y(0) = 3 \quad \& \quad y'(0) = 2$$

Let  $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ . Then

$$y' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) a_{n+1} x^n$$

$$y'' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} x^n$$

So (\*) becomes

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} x^n + 2x \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2 \cdot a_{n-1} x^n = 0$$

$$\therefore 2a_2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{(n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} + 2a_{n-1}\} x^n = 0$$

$$\therefore 2a_2 = 0 \quad \& \quad (n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} + 2a_{n-1} = 0 \quad \text{for } n \geq 1$$

$$\therefore a_2 = 0 \quad \& \quad a_{n+2} = \frac{-2a_{n-1}}{(n+1)(n+2)} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

$$\text{So } y(0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_0 \cdot 0^n = a_0 \Rightarrow a_0 = 3 \text{ b.c. } 0^0 = 1$$

$$y'(0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) \cdot a_{n+1} \cdot 0^n = a_1 \Rightarrow a_1 = 2 \text{ b.c. } 0^0 = 1$$

$$a_3 = -2a_0/(3)(2) = -1, \quad a_4 = -2a_1/4(3) = -1/3$$

$$\therefore y(x) = 3 + 2x + 0 \cdot x^2 - x^3 - x^4/3 + \dots$$

6. (a) We know that  $\mathcal{L}\{\cos bt\} = \frac{s}{s^2+b^2}$ . So

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\{t \cos t\} &= -\frac{d}{ds} [\mathcal{L}\{\cos t\}] = -\frac{d}{ds} \left( \frac{s}{s^2+1} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1 \cdot (s^2+1) - s \cdot (2s)}{(s^2+1)^2} = \frac{s^2-1}{(s^2+1)^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(b) \quad \mathcal{L}\{\cos^2 t\} &= \mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2t)\right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}\{1 + \cos 2t\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left\{ \frac{1}{s} + \frac{s}{s^2+4} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{s^2+4+s^2}{s(s^2+4)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{2s^2+4}{s(s^2+4)} = \frac{s^2+2}{s(s^2+4)}.\end{aligned}$$