

# Math 316      Final Exam

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*No Calculators. No textbooks. No references.*

Problems on **both sides**.

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*I pledge on my honor that I have not given or received any unauthorized assistance on this examination.*

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Table of Laplace Transform

$$\mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{1}{s} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^n\} = \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}, \quad n \text{ is positive integer} \quad (2)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\} = \frac{1}{s+a} \quad (3)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sin at\} = \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2} \quad (4)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos at\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + a^2} \quad (5)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{u_c(t)f(t-c)\} = e^{-cs} \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \quad (6)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f^{(n)}(t)\} = s^n \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} - s^{n-1}f(0) - \dots - f^{(n-1)}(0) \quad (7)$$

1. Fill in the blanks.

a) (10') The definition of Laplace transform is

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

b) (10') Let  $y_1, y_2, y_3$  to be 3 solutions to a **third** order linear equation

$$y''' + py'' + qy' + ry = 0.$$

The definition of the Wroskian  $W[y_1, y_2, y_3]$  is,

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c) (10') Consider the following equation

$$2t^2x'' + tx' - 3x = 0, \quad t > 0.$$

Knowing one particular solution is  $x_1(t) = t^{-1}$ , we can postulate that another linearly independent solution is of the form \_\_\_\_\_. **Do not solve the equation.**

2. (30') Consider the following equation,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + (1 + 2x^2)y = 0, \quad y(0) = -1, y'(0) = 2.$$

Fill in the first several coefficients in the following series solution. **Show all your work.**

$$y(x) = -1 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}}x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}}x^3 + \dots$$

3. (30') Find inverse Laplace transform

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{9}{s^2(s+3)}\right).$$

4. A spring-mass system is modeled as

$$mx'' + 4x + 2x = 0.$$

Here  $x = x(t)$  denotes the displacement and  $m$  denotes the mass.

a) (15') Find the critical mass  $m^{cr}$  at which the dynamics of the system changes from oscillatory to non-oscillatory.

b) (15') Let  $m = m^{cr}$  as found in part a). Find the general solution.

5. a) (10') A linear system with constant coefficients  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$  has the origin as an asymptotically stable critical point if \_\_\_\_\_ are negative.

b) (20') Consider a linear system with constant coefficients  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$  such that

$$e^{At} = \begin{pmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 2e^t - 2e^{3t} & e^{3t} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find the solution  $\vec{x}(t)$  with initial condition  $\vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

6. a) (15') Find a particular solution to the equation

$$x'' + 2x = e^{-t}.$$

Hint: Use the method of undetermined coefficient.

b) (15') Combining part a) and the fact that  $x = 4t$  is a particular solution to the equation  $x'' + 2x = 8t$ , find the **general** solution to the equation

$$x'' + 2x = 8t + e^{-t}.$$

7. (30') The population dynamics of two competing species can be described by the system

$$\begin{cases} x' = x(1 - x - y) \\ y' = y(2 - x - 5y) \end{cases}$$

Discuss the stability of  $(x_0, y_0) = \left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$  as a critical point. DO NOT discuss other critical points.

8. (30') Consider the following equation

$$x'' + x' - 2x = u_3(t) \sin(t - 3), \quad x(0) = 0, x'(0) = -2.$$

Here  $u_3(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < 3 \\ 1, & t \geq 3 \end{cases}$ . Find the Laplace transform of the solution  $\mathcal{L}\{x\}$ . **Do not solve the equation.**

9. (30') Consider a nonlinear system

$$\begin{cases} x' = -x^3 + y^5 \\ y' = -3xy^2 \end{cases}$$

With the help of Lyapunov function  $V = ax^2 + by^4$  ( $a, b$  are constants yet to be determined), show that  $(0, 0)$  is a stable critical point.

10. (30') Let  $M(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^t & -3e^{-10t} \\ 0 & e^{-10t} \end{pmatrix}$  to be a fundamental matrix to the **homogeneous** system  $\vec{x}' = A\vec{x}$ . Find the general solution to the **nonhomogeneous** system

$$\vec{x}' = A\vec{x} + \begin{pmatrix} 2e^{3t} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

You may use the fact that  $M^{-1}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} & 3e^{-t} \\ 0 & e^{10t} \end{pmatrix}$ .

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