

- I. Let  $f(t) = t$  for  $0 \leq t < \pi^3$ , and  $f(t) = 0$  for  $t \geq \pi^3$ . Use the *definition* of the Laplace transform to calculate  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt = \int_0^{\pi^3} t e^{-st} dt + \int_{\pi^3}^{\infty} 0 \cdot e^{-st} dt \\ & \quad u=t \quad v = -\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \\ & \quad du=dt \quad dv = e^{-st} dt \\ &= -\frac{t}{s} e^{-st} \Big|_0^{\pi^3} + \int_0^{\pi^3} \frac{1}{s} e^{-st} dt = -\frac{\pi^3}{s} e^{-\pi^3 s} + \left. -\frac{1}{s^2} e^{-st} \right|_0^{\pi^3} \\ &= -\frac{\pi^3}{s} e^{-\pi^3 s} - \frac{1}{s^2} e^{-\pi^3 s} + \frac{1}{s^2} \end{aligned}$$

- II. Let  $f(t) = t$  for  $0 \leq t < \pi^3$ , and  $f(t) = 0$  for  $t \geq \pi^3$ . Use a step function to write an expression for  $f(t)$ , and use the formulas list for Laplace transforms to calculate  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= t \cdot (1 - u_{\pi^3}(t)) = t - u_{\pi^3}(t)t = t - u_{\pi^3}(t)(t - \pi^3) - \pi^3 u_{\pi^3}(t) \\ \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} &= \frac{1}{s^2} - e^{-\pi^3 s} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2} - \pi^3 \cdot \frac{e^{-\pi^3 s}}{s} \end{aligned}$$

- III. Solve the initial value problem  $y'' + 4y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = -1$  by using the characteristic equation to find the general solution, then solving equations involving the initial values to find the solution that satisfies the initial values.

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 + 4 &= 0, \quad r = \pm 2i, \quad y = A \cos(2x) + B \sin(2x) \\ 0 &= y(0) = A \cdot 1 \quad \text{so} \quad y = B \sin(2x) \\ y' &= 2B \cos(2x) \\ -1 &= y'(0) = 2B \quad \text{so} \quad B = -\frac{1}{2} \\ y &= -\frac{1}{2} \sin(2x) \end{aligned}$$

- IV. Solve the initial value problem  $x'' + 4x = 0$ ,  $x(0) = 0$ ,  $x'(0) = -1$  by using the Laplace transform.

$$\begin{aligned} s^2 X(s) + 1 + 4X(s) &= 0 \\ X(s) &= -\frac{1}{s^2 + 4} = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{s^2 + 4} \\ x(t) &= -\frac{1}{2} \sin(2t) \end{aligned}$$

- V. Use separation of variables to solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6e^{2x-y}$ .  
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$$e^y dy = 6e^{2x} dx$$

$$e^y = 3e^{2x} + C$$

$$y = \ln(3e^{2x} + C)$$

- VI. Solve the initial value problem  $y'' + 4y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = -1$  as follows.  
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1. Put  $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ , and write an expression for  $y''$  as a series. Use these expressions in the differential equation to find a recursive formula for  $c_n$  (it should give  $c_{n+2}$  in terms of  $c_n$ ).

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

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1)c_{n+2} x^n + 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ((n+2)(n+1)c_{n+2} + 4c_n) x^n = 0$$

$$c_{n+2} = -\frac{4}{(n+2)(n+1)} c_n$$

2. Use the initial conditions  $y(0) = 0$  and  $y'(0) = -1$  to find  $c_0$  and  $c_1$ , and solve for  $c_n$ , treating separately the cases  $n$  even and  $n$  odd.

$$c_0 = y(0) = 0, \quad c_1 = y'(0) = -1$$

$$c_2 = -\frac{4}{2 \cdot 1} c_0 = 0, \quad c_4 = -\frac{4}{4 \cdot 3} c_2 = 0, \text{ etc. all } c_{2n} = 0$$

$$c_3 = -\frac{4}{3 \cdot 2} c_1, \quad c_5 = -\frac{4}{5 \cdot 4} c_3 = \frac{(-4)(-4)}{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} c_1$$

$$c_7 = \frac{(-4)}{7 \cdot 6} \cdot \frac{(-4) \cdot (-4)}{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} c_1 = \frac{(-1)^3 4^3}{(2n+1)!} c_1$$

$$c_{2n+1} = \frac{(-1)^n 4^n}{(2n+1)!} c_1 = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} 4^n}{(2n+1)!}$$

$$\left( \text{thus } y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} 4^n}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1} \right.$$

$$\left. = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} (2x)^{2n+1} = -\frac{1}{2} \sin(2x) \right)$$

VII. Solve the initial value problem  $x'' + 4x = 0$ ,  $x(0) = 0$ ,  $x'(0) = -1$  as follows.

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1. Putting  $x_1 = x$  and  $x_2 = x'$ , rewrite the equation as a system of two first-order equations. Notice that the initial conditions become  $x_1(0) = 0$  and  $x_2(0) = -1$ .

$$x_1' = x_2$$

$$x_2' + 4x_1 = 0$$

2. Use the Laplace transform and Cramer's rule to find an expression for the Laplace transform  $X_1(s)$  of  $x_1(t)$ , and use the inverse transform to find  $x_1(t)$  (of course, there is no need to also find  $X_2(s)$  and  $x_2(t)$ , since  $x_1(t)$  is  $x(t)$ , the solution to the original equation).

$$\begin{aligned} x_1' - x_2 &= 0 & \mathcal{L} \rightarrow & sX_1(s) - X_2(s) = 0 \\ -4x_1 + x_2' &= 0 & & -4X_1(s) + sX_2(s) = -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\xrightarrow{C} \begin{vmatrix} s & -1 \\ 4 & s \end{vmatrix} X_1(s) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & s \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(s^2 + 4)X_1(s) = -1$$

$$X_1(s) = -\frac{1}{s^2 + 4} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$x(t) = x_1(t) = -\frac{1}{2} \sin(2t)$$

VIII. Use an integrating factor to solve the first-order linear equation  $y' = (1 - y) \cos(x)$ ,  $y(\pi) = 2$ .

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$$y' + \cos(x)y = \cos(x), \quad \mu = e^{\int \cos(x) dx} = e^{\sin x}$$

$$e^{\sin(x)} y' + e^{\sin(x)} \cos(x) y = e^{\sin(x)} \cos(x)$$

$$e^{\sin(x)} \cdot y = \int e^{\sin(x)} \cos(x) dx = e^{\sin(x)} + C$$

$$y = 1 + C e^{-\sin(x)}$$

$$2 = y(\pi) = 1 + C e^0, \quad C = 1$$

$$y = 1 + e^{-\sin(x)}$$

IX. Write the Maclaurin series for  $\sin(x)$ ,  $\frac{\sin(x)}{x}$ ,  $\cosh(x)$ , and  $e^{-x^2}$ .

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$$\sin(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1} = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

$$\frac{\sin(x)}{x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{7!} + \dots$$

$$\cosh(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} x^{2n} = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$e^{-x^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (-x^2)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} x^{2n} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{1!} + \frac{x^4}{2!} - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \frac{x^8}{4!} - \dots$$

X. If  $D$  is the differential operator defined by  $Df = f'$ , calculate  $(D^2 + e^x D + e^{2x})(xe^{3x})$ .

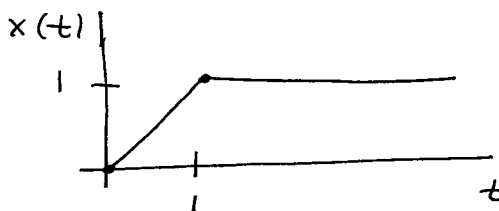
$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad (D^2 + e^x D + e^{2x})(xe^{3x}) &= D^2(xe^{3x}) + e^x D(xe^{3x}) + e^{2x} \cdot xe^{3x} \\
 &= D(e^{3x} + 3xe^{3x}) + e^x(e^{3x} + 3xe^{3x}) + xe^{5x} \\
 &= 3e^{3x} + 3e^{3x} + 9xe^{3x} + e^{4x} + 3xe^{4x} + xe^{5x} \\
 &= xe^{5x} + (3x+1)e^{4x} + (9x+6)e^{3x}
 \end{aligned}$$

XI. Solve  $x'' = \delta(t) - \delta(t-1)$ ,  $x(0) = 0$ ,  $x'(0) = 0$ , and graph the solution.

$$(5) \quad s^2 X(s) = 1 - e^{-s}$$

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{s^2} - e^{-s} \frac{1}{s^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(t) &= t - u_1(t)(t-1) \\
 &= \begin{cases} t & \text{if } t < 1 \\ t - (t-1) = 1 & \text{if } t \geq 1 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$



XII. Find the inverse Laplace transform of  $\ln(s)$ .

$$(3) \quad \mathcal{L}(tf(t)) = -\frac{d}{ds} \ln(s) = -\frac{1}{s}$$

$$tf(t) = -\frac{1}{s}$$

$$f(t) = -\frac{1}{t}$$

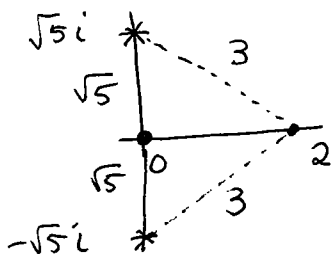
XIII. For the differential equation  $(x^2 + 5)y'' - 8xy' + 12y = 0$ , find the singular points. For solutions of the form

(4)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ , how large (at least) is the radius of convergence guaranteed to be? For solutions of the form  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x-2)^n$ , how large (at least) is the radius of convergence guaranteed to be?

$$y'' - \frac{8x}{x^2+5} y' + \frac{12}{x^2+5} y = 0, \text{ coefficient functions are nonanalytic only at the singular points } \pm \sqrt{5}i$$

$$\text{For } \sum c_n x^n, \rho \geq \sqrt{5}$$

$$\text{For } \sum c_n (x-2)^n, \rho \geq 3$$



XIV. 1. Define what it means to say that the functions  $f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots, f_n(x)$  are linearly dependent on the interval  $I$ .

(9) It means there exist constants  $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n$ , not all 0, such that  $k_1 f_1(x) + k_2 f_2(x) + \dots + k_n f_n(x) = 0$

2. Write  $\frac{x^2}{(x+1)^3}$  in terms of partial fractions.

$$\frac{x^2}{(x+1)^3} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{C}{(x+1)^3}$$

$$x^2 = A(x+1)^2 + B(x+1) + C, \text{ for } x = -1, \quad 1 = C$$

$$2x = 2A(x+1) + B, \text{ for } x = -1, \quad -2 = B$$

$$2 = 2A \quad \text{so} \quad A = 1$$

$$\frac{x^2}{(x+1)^3} = \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{-2}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(x+1)^3}$$

3. Using the definition, show that  $\frac{1}{x+1}, \frac{1}{(x+1)^2}, \frac{1}{(x+1)^3}$ , and  $\frac{x^2}{(x+1)^3}$  are linearly dependent on the interval  $I = (0, \infty)$ .

$$1 \cdot \frac{x^2}{(x+1)^3} + (-1) \frac{1}{x+1} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} + (-1) \frac{1}{(x+1)^3} = 0$$

4. Show that if  $f(x), g(x)$ , and  $h(x)$  are three functions that are linearly dependent on an interval  $I$ , then  $f'(x), g'(x)$ , and  $h'(x)$  are also linearly dependent on  $I$ .

Let  $f(x), g(x), h(x)$  be linearly dependent.  
 There are numbers  $A, B, C$ , not all 0, with  $Af(x) + Bg(x) + Ch(x) = 0$   
 Taking derivatives,  $Af'(x) + Bg'(x) + Ch'(x) = 0$  on  $I$ .  
 Since not all of  $A, B, C$  are 0,  $f'(x), g'(x), h'(x)$  are linearly dependent on  $I$ .

**XV.** Consider the boundary-value problem  $y'' + \lambda y = 0$ ,  $y(a) = a_0$ ,  $y(b) = b_0$ .

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1. Define what it means to say that a value of  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of this problem.

It means it is a value for which the resulting BVP has a nonzero solution.

2. Define what it means to say that a function  $y$  is an eigenfunction associated to an eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

It means  $y$  is a nonzero solution for the BVP obtained for this value of  $\lambda$ .

**XVI.** Consider the boundary-value problem  $y'' + \lambda y = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(\pi) = 0$ .

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1. Show that  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue of this problem.

$y = 1$  is a nonzero function satisfying

$$y'' = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad y'(\pi) = 0.$$

2. By writing  $\lambda = \alpha^2$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ , find all positive eigenvalues, and an associated eigenfunction for each positive eigenvalue.

$$y'' + \alpha^2 y = 0$$

$$y = c_1 \cos(\alpha x) + c_2 \sin(\alpha x)$$

$$y' = -c_1 \alpha \sin(\alpha x) + c_2 \alpha \cos(\alpha x)$$

$$0 = y'(0) = c_2 \alpha, \quad \text{so } c_2 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad y = c_1 \cos(\alpha x)$$

$$y' = -c_1 \alpha \sin(\alpha x)$$

$$0 = y'(\pi) = -c_1 \alpha \sin(\alpha \pi)$$

$$0 = \sin(\alpha \pi) \quad \text{so} \quad \alpha \pi = n\pi, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\alpha = n, \quad n = 1, 2, 3$$

eigenvalues are  $n^2$   $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

with associated eigenfunctions  $\cos(nx)$

