

SOLUTION TO MATH 256 ASSIGNMENT 1

- Full mark: 70. 10 points each.
- -3 for each mistake within a question, including conceptual ones like confusing the variables s and t , writing equalities of expressions where one involves s and the other t , writing Dirac for Heaviside, wrong plus or minus sign, etc.

(1) (a) For $s > 0$,

$$F(s) = \int_0^\infty t^2 e^{-st} dt = \left[t^2 \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} - 2t \frac{e^{-st}}{(-s)^2} + 2 \frac{e^{-st}}{(-s)^3} \right]_0^\infty \quad \text{so} \quad \boxed{F(s) = \frac{2}{s^3} \text{ for } s > 0.}$$

(b) Using the corresponding formula in the solution of assignment 1, we have for $s > 0$,

$$F(s) = \int_0^\infty \cos(2t) e^{-st} dt = \left[\frac{e^{-st}(-s \cos(2t) + 2 \sin(2t))}{s^2 + 4} \right]_0^\infty \quad \text{so} \quad \boxed{F(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} \text{ for } s > 0.}$$

(c) For $s > 1$,

$$F(s) = \int_0^\infty t e^t e^{-st} dt = \left[t \frac{e^{-(s-1)t}}{1-s} - \frac{e^{-(s-1)t}}{(1-s)^2} \right]_0^\infty \quad \text{so} \quad \boxed{F(s) = \frac{1}{(s-1)^2} \text{ for } s > 1.}$$

(2) (a)

$$F(s) = \int_1^2 t e^{-st} dt = \left[t \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} - \frac{e^{-st}}{s^2} \right]_1^2 \quad \text{so} \quad \boxed{F(s) = e^{-s} \frac{1+s}{s^2} - e^{-2s} \frac{1+2s}{s^2} \quad \text{for } s > 0.}$$

(b)

$$F(s) = \int_\pi^{2\pi} -\sin(t) e^{-st} dt = \left[\frac{e^{-st}(\cos(t) + s \sin(t))}{s^2 + 1} \right]_\pi^{2\pi} \quad \text{so} \quad \boxed{F(s) = \frac{e^{-2\pi s} + e^{-\pi s}}{s^2 + 1}.}$$

(3) (a) $\boxed{\frac{A}{s+1}, \frac{B}{s-1}}.$

(b) $\boxed{\frac{A}{s+1}, \frac{B}{s-1}, \frac{Cs+D}{s^2+1}}.$

(c) Since s^2 are cancelled (and $s > 0$), we have the terms $\boxed{\frac{A}{s-4}, \frac{B_1}{s-2}, \frac{B_2}{(s-2)^2}}.$

(d) $\boxed{\frac{A_1s+B_1}{s^2+5}, \frac{A_2s+B_2}{(s^2+5)^2}, \frac{C_1}{s+10}, \frac{C_2}{(s+10)^2}, \frac{C_3}{(s+10)^3}}.$

(4) (a) Let $F(s) = \frac{2s^2+5s+1}{s^2(s^2+4)} = \frac{A_1}{s} + \frac{A_2}{s^2} + \frac{Bs+C}{s^2+4}$. Clearing denominators,

$$2s^2 + 5s + 1 = A_1s(s^2 + 4) + A_2(s^2 + 4) + (Bs + C)s^2.$$

Comparing coefficients,

$$4A_2 = 1$$

$$4A_1 = 5$$

$$A_2 + C = 2$$

$$A_1 + B = 0.$$

Hence $F(s) = \frac{5}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{5}{4} \cdot \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} + \frac{7}{8} \cdot \frac{2}{s^2 + 4}$. Taking inverse Laplace transform,

$$f(t) = \frac{5}{4} + \frac{1}{4}t - \frac{5}{4} \cos(2t) + \frac{7}{8} \sin(2t).$$

(b) $F(s) = \frac{8s - 22}{(s-3)^2 + 1} = \frac{8(s-3) + 2}{(s-3)^2 + 1}$, i.e. $F(s) = 8 \cdot \frac{s-3}{(s-3)^2 + 1} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{(s-3)^2 + 1}$. Taking inverse Laplace transform, $f(t) = e^{3t}(8 \cos(t) + 2 \sin(t)) = 2e^{3t}(4 \cos(t) + \sin(t))$.

(5) Using the facts that $\mathcal{L}[y'] = sY(s) - y(0)$ and $\mathcal{L}[y''] = s^2Y(s) - sy(0) - y''(0)$, we have:

(a) $(s^2 - s - 6)Y(s) = (s-1)y(0) + y'(0)$, $Y(s) = \frac{s-2}{(s-3)(s+2)} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{s-3} + \frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{s+2}$, so

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{5}e^{3t} + \frac{4}{5}e^{-2t}.$$

(b) $(s^2 + \frac{3}{4}s)Y(s) = -2(s + \frac{3}{4}) - 3 + \frac{1}{s}$, $Y(s) = -2 \cdot \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s + \frac{3}{4}} - 4 \left(\frac{\frac{3}{4}}{s^2(s + \frac{3}{4})} \right) = -2 \cdot \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s + \frac{3}{4}} - 4 \left(\frac{(s + \frac{3}{4}) - s}{s^2(s + \frac{3}{4})} \right) = -2 \cdot \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s + \frac{3}{4}} - 4 \cdot \frac{1}{s^2} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{s(s + \frac{3}{4})} = -2 \cdot \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s + \frac{3}{4}} - 4 \cdot \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{16}{9} \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s + \frac{3}{4}} \right)$. Hence $y(t) = -\frac{70}{9} + \frac{4}{3}t + \frac{52}{9}e^{-\frac{3}{4}t}$.

(c) $(s^2 - 2s + 2)Y(s) = (s-2) + \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}$,

$$\begin{aligned} Y(s) &= \frac{(s-1)-1}{(s-1)^2+1} + \frac{s}{(s^2+1)((s-1)^2+1)} \\ &= \frac{s-1}{(s-1)^2+1} - \frac{1}{(s-1)^2+1} + \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{s}{s^2+1} - \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2+1} - \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{s-1}{(s-1)^2+1} + \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{(s-1)^2+1} \\ &= \frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{s-1}{(s-1)^2+1} - \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{(s-1)^2+1} + \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{s}{s^2+1} - \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2+1} \end{aligned}$$

so $y(t) = \frac{4}{5}e^t \cos(t) - \frac{2}{5}e^t \sin(t) + \frac{1}{5} \cos(t) - \frac{2}{5} \sin(t) = \frac{1}{5}(e^t(4 \cos(t) - 2 \sin(t)) + (\cos(t) - 2 \sin(t)))$.

(6) (a) $f(t) = H(t-2)(t-2)^2$, $F(s) = e^{-2s} \mathcal{L}[t^2] = e^{-2s} \frac{2}{s^3}$.

(b) $f(t) = H(t-1)((t-1)^2 + 1)$, $F(s) = e^{-s} \mathcal{L}[t^2 + 1] = e^{-s} \left(\frac{2}{s^3} + \frac{1}{s} \right)$.

(c) $f(t) = (H(t-1) - H(t-2)) + 2H(t-2) = H(t-1) + H(t-2)$, $F(s) = e^{-s} \frac{1}{s} + e^{-2s} \frac{1}{s}$.

(d) $f(t) = (H(t) - H(t-1))t + H(t-1) = H(t)t - H(t-1)(t-1)$, $F(s) = \frac{1}{s} - e^{-s} \frac{1}{s}$.

(7) (a) $f(t) = t^2 e^t$.

(b) $F(s) = e^{-s} \frac{1}{(s+2)(s-1)} = \frac{1}{3}e^{-s} \frac{1}{s-1} - \frac{1}{3}e^{-s} \frac{1}{s+2}$, $f(t) = \frac{1}{3}H(t-1)e^{t-1} - \frac{1}{3}H(t-1)e^{-2(t-1)}$.

(c) $F(s) = 2e^{-2s} \frac{1}{(s+2)(s-2)} = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2s} \frac{1}{s-2} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-2s} \frac{1}{s+2}$, $f(t) = \frac{1}{2}H(t-2)e^{2(t-2)} - \frac{1}{2}H(t-2)e^{-2(t-2)}$.

(d) $f(t) = H(t-1) + H(t-2) - H(t-3) - H(t-4)$.