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**Differential Equations and Linear Algebra 2250**  
**Midterm Exam 3**  
**April 18, 2014**

**Instructions:** This in-class exam is 50 minutes. No calculators, notes, tables or books. No answer check is expected. Details count 3/4, answers count 1/4.

1. (Chapter 5) Complete all.

(1a) [40%] The differential equation  $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 6x$  has a particular solution  $y_p(x)$  of the form  $y = d_1x^2 + d_2x^3$ . Find  $y_p(x)$  by the method of undetermined coefficients (yes, find  $d_1, d_2$ ).

(1b) [20%] Given  $5x''(t) + \beta x'(t) + 4x(t) = 0$ , which represents a damped spring-mass system with  $m = 5$ ,  $c = \beta > 0$ ,  $k = 4$ , determine  $\beta$  such that the system is under-damped.

**To save time, do not solve for  $x(t)$ !**

(1c) [40%] Given the forced spring-mass system  $x'' + 4x' + 17x = 257 \sin(4t)$ , find the steady-state periodic solution.

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**2. (Chapter 5)** Complete all.

**(2a)** [60%] A homogeneous linear differential equation with constant coefficients has characteristic equation of degree 5 with roots  $0, -\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}, 1 + 3i, 1 - 3i$ , listed according to multiplicity. The corresponding non-homogeneous equation for unknown  $y(x)$  has right side  $f(x) = 5e^{-\sqrt{2}x} + 4x^2 + e^x \sin 3x$ . Determine the undetermined coefficients **shortest** trial solution for  $y_p$ .

**To save time, do not evaluate the undetermined coefficients and do not find  $y_p(x)$ ! Undocumented detail or guessing earns no credit.**

**(2b)** [40%] Let  $f_1(x) = x^3 e^{-x}$ ,  $f_2(x) = x^2 e^{-x} \sin(x)$ . Mark with  **YES** or  **NO** the characteristic equations for which at least of  $f_1$  or  $f_2$  is an Euler solution atom.

$r^2(r+1)^3(r-1)^3 = 0$

$r(r^2-1)^4 = 0$

$(r^2+1)^3(r+1)^4 = 0$

$((r+1)^2+1)^2(r+1)^3 = 0$

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**3. (Chapter 10)** Complete all parts. It is assumed that you have memorized the basic 4-item Laplace integral table and know the 6 basic rules for Laplace integrals. No other tables or theory are required to solve the problems below. If you don't know a table entry, then leave the expression unevaluated for partial credit.

**(3a)** [40%] Display the details of Laplace's method to solve the system for  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= -2x, \\y' &= x + y, \\x(0) &= 1, \quad y(0) = 2.\end{aligned}$$

**Graded details:** (1) Forward transform; (2) Solve the system for  $\mathcal{L}(x), \mathcal{L}(y)$ ; (3) Backward transform; (4) Answer for both  $x(t), y(t)$ .

**(3b)** [20%] Find  $f(t)$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}(f(t)) = \frac{5s^2 - s - 1}{s^2(s - 1)}.$$

**Graded details:** (1) Partial fractions; (2) Backward table

**(3c)** [40%] Solve for  $f(t)$ , given

$$\frac{d^2}{ds^2} \mathcal{L}(e^t f(t)) = \frac{2}{(s + 1)^3}.$$

**Graded details:** (1) Laplace theorem(s); (2) Shift theorem; (3) Forward table; (4) Backward table; (5) Answer.

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4. (Chapter 10) Complete all parts.

(4a) [60%] Fill in the blank spaces in the Laplace table. Partial credit is given for wrong answers, based on documented steps.

Forward Table

$f(t)$	$\mathcal{L}(f(t))$
$t^3$	$\frac{6}{s^4}$
$e^t \sin(\pi t)$	
$(2t + 1)^2$	
$t^2 e^{\pi t}$	

Backward Table

$\mathcal{L}(f(t))$	$f(t)$
$\frac{3}{s^2 + 9}$	$\sin 3t$
$\frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 5}$	
$\frac{1}{(3s + 1)^2}$	
$\frac{s + 1}{(s - 1)^2}$	

(4b) [40%] Solve by Laplace's method for the solution  $x(t)$ :

$$x''(t) + 4x(t) = 5e^t, \quad x(0) = x'(0) = 0.$$

**Graded details:** (1) Transform; (2) Isolate  $\mathcal{L}(x(t))$ ; (3) Partial fractions; (4) Backward table; (5) Answer.

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5. (Chapter 6) Complete all parts.

(5a) [30%] Find the eigenvalues of the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 11 & 1 & -6 \\ -3 & -7 & 2 & -7 \end{pmatrix}$ . To save time, **do not** find eigenvectors!

(5b) [40%] Given matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ -5 & -2 & -5 \\ 5 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and one eigenpair  $\left(3, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right)$ , find the other eigenpairs.

**Graded details:** (1) Eigenvalues; (2) Eigenvector details; (3) Answer.

(5c) [30%] Assume the vector general solution  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}(t)$  of the  $3 \times 3$  linear differential system  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}' = A\vec{\mathbf{u}}$  is given by

$$\vec{\mathbf{u}}(t) = c_1 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 e^{0t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  are arbitrary constants ( $e^{0t}$  has exponent zero). Find a matrix multiply formula for the matrix  $A$ . Then check the answer

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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