

Part I - Multiple Choice Section

1. The solution of the equation $(D^2 - 1)y = x^2$ has the form $y = y_h + y_p$, where y_h is then *homogeneous* solution and y_p is a *particular* solution. Which of the following is the general form of the particular solution.

- a) $y_p = a_1 e^x + a_2 e^{-x}$ b) $y_p = a_1 + a_2 x + a_3 x^2$ c) $y_p = a_1 e^x + a_2 e^{-x} + a_3 x^2$
 d) $y_p = a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3$ e) $y_p = a_1 e^x + a_2 e^{-x} + a_3 x + a_4 x^2$
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2. The solution of the equation $(D^2 - D)y = 1 + e^x$ has the form $y = y_h + y_p$, where y_h is then *homogeneous* solution and y_p is a *particular* solution. Which of the following is the general form of the particular solution.

- a) $y_p = a_1 x^2 + a_2 e^x$ b) $y_p = a_1 x^2 e^x$ c) $y_p = a_1 + a_2 x + a_3 e^x$
 d) $y_p = a_1 + a_2 x e^x$ e) $y_p = a_1 x + a_2 x e^x$
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3. The particular solution of the equation $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 2 \cos 2x - 4 \sin 2x$ has a particular solution with the general form $y_p = A \cos 2x + B \sin 2x$. Calculate the coefficient A .

- a) $A = 0$ b) $A = 1$ c) $A = -1$ d) $A = 2$ e) $A = -2$
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4. What is the annihilator of $x e^x + x$?

- a) $(D - 1)^2$ b) $2D^2 - 1$ c) $(D^2 - 1)^2$ d) $D^2(D - 1)^2$ e) $D^2(D^2 - 1)$
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5. Find the inverse Laplace transform of the following expression:

$$\frac{s}{(s+1)(s+2)}$$

- a) $e^{-2t} + e^{-t}$ b) $e^{-2t} - 2e^{-t}$ c) $2e^{-2t} - e^{-t}$
 d) $2e^{2t} - e^t$ e) e^{-3t}
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6. Find the inverse Laplace transform of the following expression:

$$\frac{s}{s^2 - 4s + 5}$$

- a) $e^{2t}(\cos t + 2 \sin t)$ b) $e^t(\cos 2t + \sin 2t)$ c) $e^{-2t}(2 \cos t + \sin t)$
 d) $e^{2t} \cos t$ e) $t + e^{-2t} \sin t$
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7. Suppose $y = y(t)$ is the solution of the following initial value problem:

$$y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0 \quad \text{where } y(0) = 1 \text{ and } y'(0) = 2$$

Which of the following would equal $\mathcal{L}(y)$?

- a) $\frac{1}{(s-2)^2}$ b) $\frac{s}{(s-1)^2}$ c) $\frac{1}{s-2}$ d) $\frac{1}{s+2}$ e) $\frac{s+1}{(s-1)^2}$
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8. Use the Exponential Shift Theorem to simplify the following:

$$(D - 2)^4 ((x^3 + \cos x) e^{2x})$$

9. Find the general solution of the following equation. Show all work.

$$(D + 1)^2 y = e^{-x}$$

10.

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = \frac{3}{\sqrt{x}} e^x$$

a) If we were to use the method of variation of parameters to solve this problem, we would need to calculate a determinant called the *Wronskian*. Calculate the Wronskian for this problem.

b) Solve this differential equation. Show all work.

11. A spring is arranged horizontally. The mass at the end of the spring is $m = 1$ kilogram. The damping constant is $\beta = 4$ kilograms/sec. The spring constant is $k = 4$ kilograms/sec². There is an additional force of $f(t) = 6t^2 e^{-2t}$ acting on the mass. Let $y(t)$ be the position of the mass relative to its equilibrium position after t seconds and it satisfies the initial conditions $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$. Use the method of Laplace transforms to find the formula for $y(t)$. Show all work.

12. Solve the following differential equation:

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + y = 2t \cdot \mathcal{U}\left(t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad \text{where } y(0) = 0, \ y'(0) = 1$$