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**Instructions:** Answer Q1 (compulsory) and any 2 other questions.

Q1 is worth 50 marks. All other questions are worth 25 marks each.

**Duration:** 2 HOURS

**Sitting:** Autumn 2012

**Requirements for this examination:**

**Note to Candidates:** Please check the Programme Title and the Module Title to ensure that you have received the correct examination paper.  
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Q1. (a) Use *partial fractions* to decompose

$$\frac{6x^2 - x + 64}{x(x^2 + 16)} \quad (9 \text{ marks})$$

(b) Use *complete the square* to find

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2s}{s^2 + 6s + 25} \right\} \quad (8 \text{ marks})$$

(c) Find the inverse Laplace transforms

$$(i) \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{(s+1)^2}{s^3} \right\} \quad (ii) \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{3s+2}{s^2+16} \right\} \quad (iii) \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{(s+3)^2} \right\} \quad (14 \text{ marks})$$

(d) Solve using **only** the *Laplace Transform Method* for  $y(t)$ ,

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + 4y = 32e^{-4t}, \quad y(0) = 0.$$

(11 marks)

(e) Use the Midpoint Rule with  $n = 6$ , to approximate the integral

$$\int_0^3 e^{-x^2} dx.$$

(8 marks)

Q2. (a) Use *integration by parts* to determine  $\int_0^2 x e^{2x} dx$ . (7 marks)

(b) Use the *definition* of Laplace transform to derive  $\mathcal{L}\{5t\}$ . (8 marks)

(c) Find the Laplace transform of the following functions.

(i)  $(t + 1)^2 e^{3t}$

(ii)  $\cos(5t) \cos(3t)$

(10 marks)

Q3. (a) The differential equation governing the displacement  $x(t)$  of a damped oscillator is given by

$$x''(t) + 4x'(t) + 13x(t) = 0.$$

(i) Solve the differential equation using the *Laplace Transform Method*, given that  $x(0) = 0$  and  $x'(0) = 4$ .

(ii) Determine the period of the oscillation and the duration of the oscillations.

(iii) Sketch  $x(t)$  labelling the axes appropriately.

(16 marks)

(b) A rectangular box has sides of length  $x, y, z$  mm. Sides  $x$  and  $y$  are *expanding* at rates of 1.5 and 2.5 mm/s respectively, while side  $z$  is *contracting* at a rate of 0.25 mm/s. Use partial derivatives to determine the rate of change of volume  $\frac{dV}{dt}$  mm<sup>3</sup>/s when  $x = 15$  mm,  $y = 12$  mm and  $z = 10$  mm.

(9 marks)

Q4. (a) Determine the partial derivatives.

(i)  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sin^2(x^3y)$

(ii)  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( y\sqrt{x^2 - y^2} \right)$

(9 marks)

(b) Use *Euler's method* with step size  $h = 0.3$  to estimate  $y(0.9)$ , where  $y(x)$  is the solution to the initial-value problem,

$$(1 + x^2) \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = 0$$
$$y(0) = 1.$$

(8 marks)

(c) Verify that the equation

$$2x^3 + 5x - 11 = 0$$

has a root in the interval  $[1,2]$ . Use the *Newton-Raphson method* to approximate this root correct to *four* decimal places where  $x_0 = 1.0$ .

(8 marks)

## Laplace Transform Formulae

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} \equiv F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt \quad \text{Definition}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{Af(t) + Bg(t)\} = AF(s) + BG(s), \quad A, B \text{ are constants} \quad \text{Linearity}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\dot{f}(t)\} = sF(s) - f(0)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\ddot{f}(t)\} = s^2F(s) - sf(0) - \dot{f}(0)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)e^{at}\} = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}|_{s \rightarrow s-a} = F(s)|_{s \rightarrow s-a} \quad \text{First Translation Theorem}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t-a)\mathcal{U}(t-a)\} = e^{-as}\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = e^{-as}F(s) \quad \text{Second Translation Theorem}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{1}{s}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^n\} = \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\} = \frac{1}{s-a} \quad a \text{ is a constant}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t f(w) dw\right\} = \frac{F(s)}{s}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t-a)\} = e^{-sa}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\mathcal{U}(t-a)\} = \frac{e^{-sa}}{s} \quad a > 0, a \text{ is a positive constant}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sin kt\} = \frac{k}{s^2 + k^2} \quad k \text{ is a constant}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cos kt\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + k^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sinh kt\} = \frac{k}{s^2 - k^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cosh kt\} = \frac{s}{s^2 - k^2}$$