

1. (5pts) $\mathcal{L}\{t \cos 3t\} = ?$

Solution: [This is like Exercise 6 in section 5.2]

We have $\mathcal{L}\{\cos 3t\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + 9}$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}\{t \cos 3t\} &= -\frac{d}{ds} \mathcal{L}\{\cos 3t\} = -\frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{s}{s^2 + 9} \right) = -\left(\frac{1 \cdot (s^2 + 9) - s \cdot 2s}{(s^2 + 9)^2} \right) \\ &= -\left(\frac{9 - s^2}{(s^2 + 9)^2} \right) = \frac{s^2 - 9}{(s^2 + 9)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

2. (5pts) $\mathcal{L}\{e^{-3t} \sin^2 t\} = ?$

Solution: [This is like Exercise 17 in section 5.2]

It suffices to calculate $\mathcal{L}\{\sin^2 t\}$ because multiplying by e^{-3t} in the time domain amounts to shifting by -3 in the Laplace transform domain.

To calculate $\mathcal{L}\{\sin^2 t\}$, we apply the trigonometric identity $\sin^2 t = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2t)$. Then:

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sin^2 t\} = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}\{1 - \cos 2t\} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4}{s(s^2 + 4)} \right) = \frac{2}{s(s^2 + 4)}.$$

We conclude that

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{-3t} \sin^2 t\} = \frac{2}{(s + 3)[(s + 3)^2 + 4]}.$$