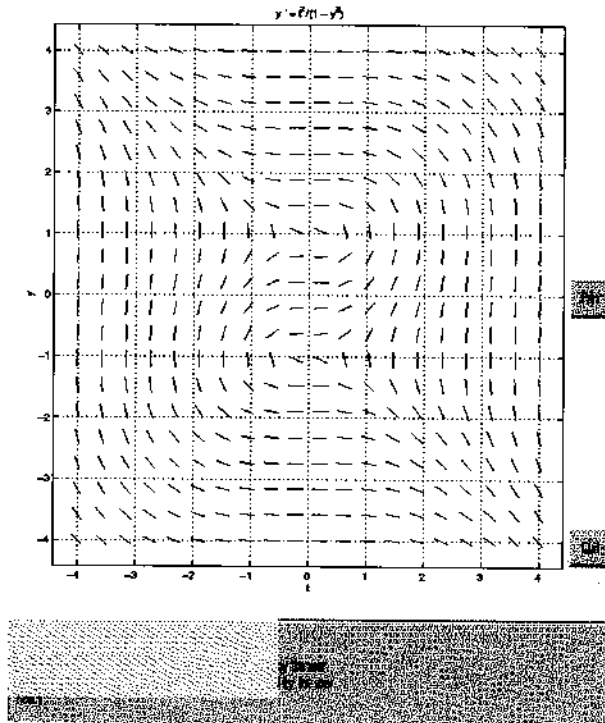


## MA266 Practice Problems

- Which of  $y_1(t) = t$ ,  $y_2(t) = t^2$ ,  $y_3(t) = t^3$  are solutions of  $t^2y'' - 3ty' + 3y = 0$ ?  
**A.** only  $y_1$    **B.** only  $y_2$    **C.**  $y_1$  and  $y_2$    **D.**  $y_2$  and  $y_3$    **E.**  $y_1$  and  $y_3$
- What is the largest open interval for which a unique solution of the initial value problem  $ty' + \frac{1}{t+1}y = \frac{t-2}{t-3}$ ,  $y(1) = 0$  is guaranteed?  
**A.**  $0 < t < 1$    **B.**  $0 < t < 2$    **C.**  $0 < t < 3$    **D.**  $-1 < t < 3$    **E.**  $-1 < t < 1$
- Use the dfield plot below to estimate where the solution of  $y' = \frac{t^2}{1-y^2}$ ,  $y(0) = 0$  is defined:



- A.**  $-1.2 < t < 1.2$    **B.**  $-4 < t < 4$    **C.**  $-1 < t < 2$    **D.**  $-2 < t < 2$    **E.**  $-4 < t < \infty$
- Consider the autonomous differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{1}{10}(y-1)(y-4)^2$ . Classify the stability of each equilibrium solution.  
**A.**  $y = 1$  and  $y = 4$  both unstable   **B.**  $y = 4$  stable;  $y = 1$  unstable   **C.**  $y = 0$  and  $y = 1$  stable;  $y = 4$  unstable   **D.**  $y = 1$  stable;  $y = 4$  unstable   **E.**  $y = 0$  stable;  $y = 1$  and  $y = 4$  unstable
  - Determine whether  $x + 2y + (2x + y)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  is separable, homogeneous, linear and/or exact.  
**A.** LINEAR and SEP   **B.** SEP and HOM   **C.** HOM and EXACT   **D.** LINEAR and HOM   **E.** LINEAR, HOM and EXACT

6. An explicit solution of  $y' = y^2 - 1$  is  
 A.  $y = \frac{Ce^{2t}}{1 - Ce^{2t}}$  B.  $y = \frac{1 + Ce^{2t}}{1 - Ce^{2t}}$  C.  $y = \frac{1}{1 - Ce^{2t}}$  D.  $y = \frac{1 + Ce^{2t}}{1 - e^{2t}}$  E.  $\frac{y^3}{3} - y = C$
7. If  $y' = y^3$  and  $y(0) = 1$ , then  $y(-1) =$   
 A.  $5^{-\frac{1}{4}}$  B.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  C.  $\sqrt{3}$  D. 1 E. Does not exist
8. The general solution of  $y' + (1 + \frac{1}{t})y = \frac{1}{t}$  is  
 A.  $y = t + C \ln t$  B.  $y = Ct + \ln t$  C.  $y = \frac{1}{t} + C$  D.  $y = \frac{1}{t} + \frac{C}{t}e^{-t}$  E.  $y = \frac{1}{t} + C$
9. An implicit solution of  $y^2 + 1 + (2xy + 1)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  is  
 A.  $2(xy^2 + y) = C$  B.  $xy^2 + y = C$  C.  $xy^2 + x + y = C$  D.  $\frac{y^3}{3} + y + x^2y + x = C$  E.  $y = xy^2 + C$
10. If  $y'$  is proportional to  $y$ ,  $y(0) = 2$  and  $y(1) = 8$ . For what value of  $t$  does  $y(t) = 20$ ?  
 A.  $\ln 6$  B.  $\ln 4$  C.  $\frac{\ln 8}{\ln 2}$  D.  $\ln \frac{5}{2}$  E.  $\frac{\ln 10}{\ln 4}$
11. The general solution of  $y'' - 4y' + 4y = 0$  is  
 A.  $y = C_1e^{2t} + C_2te^{2t}$  B.  $y = C_1e^{2t} + C_2e^{2t}$  C.  $y = C_1e^{2t} + C_2e^{-2t}$  D.  $y = C_1e^{-2t} + C_2te^{-2t}$  E.  $y = C_1t + c_2t^2$
12. The general solution of  $y''' + 4y'' + 5y' = 0$  is  
 A.  $y = C_1e^{-2t} \cos t + C_2e^{-2t} \sin t$  B.  $y = C_1 + C_2e^{-2t} \cos t + C_3e^{-2t} \sin t$  C.  $y = C_1 + C_2e^t \cos 2t + C_3e^t \sin 2t$  D.  $y = C_1 + C_2 \cos t + C_3 \sin t$  E.  $y = C_1 + C_2e^{2t} \cos t + C_3e^{2t} \sin t$
13. A particular solution,  $y_p$ , of  $y'' - 4y' + 3y = 2t + e^t$  is  
 A.  $\frac{2}{3}t + \frac{8}{9} - \frac{1}{2}te^t$  B.  $\frac{2}{3}t + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}te^t$  C.  $\frac{1}{3}t + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}te^t$  D.  $\frac{1}{3}t + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}e^t$  E.  $t^2 + e^t$
14. If  $y'' + 5y' + 6y = 24e^t$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 0$ , then  $y(1) =$   
 A.  $-e^{-2} + 6e^{-3} + e$  B.  $-8e^{-2} + 6e^{-3} + e$  C.  $8e^{-2} + e^{-3} + e$  D.  $-8e^{-2} + 6e^{-3} + 2e$  E. 0
15. The Wronskian  $W(y_1, y_2)$  of  $y_1(t) = t^2$  and  $y_2(t) = t^{-2}$  is  
 A.  $-2t - \frac{2}{t}$  B.  $\frac{2}{t}$  C.  $-\frac{4}{t}$  D. 1 E. 0
16. An object weighing 8 pounds attached to a spring will stretch it  $\frac{1}{2}$  ft beyond its natural length. There is a damping force with a damping constant  $c = 6$  lbs-sec/ft and there is no external force. If at  $t = 0$  the object is pulled 2 feet below equilibrium and then released, the initial value problem describing the vertical displacement  $x(t)$  becomes :

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{A. } \begin{cases} 8x'' + 6x' + 16x = 0 \\ x(0) = 2 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} & \text{B. } \begin{cases} 8x'' + 6x' + 16x = 0 \\ x(0) = -2 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} & \text{C. } \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}x'' + 6x' + 16x = 0 \\ x(0) = 2 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} \\ \text{D. } \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}x'' + 6x' + 8x = 0 \\ x(0) = 2 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} & \text{E. } \begin{cases} 256x'' + 6x' + 16x = 0 \\ x(0) = 2 \\ x'(0) = 0 \end{cases} & \end{array}$$

17. A spring-mass system is governed by the initial value problem  $x'' + 4x' + 4x = 4 \cos \omega t$ ,  $x(0) = 0$ ,  $x'(0) = -2$ . For what value(s) of  $\omega$  will resonance occur?

A. 0    B. 2    C. 4    D.  $2 < \omega < \infty$     E. no value of  $\omega$

18. A tank initially contains 40 ounces of salt mixed in 100 gallons of water. A solution containing 4 oz of salt per gallon is then pumped into the tank at a rate of 5 gal/min. The stirred mixture flows out of the tank at the same rate. How much salt is in the tank after 20 minutes?

A. 20    B. 80    C.  $40 + 20e$     D.  $400 - 360e^{-1}$     E.  $400 + 360e^2$

19. Write  $2u'' + 3u' + ku = \cos 2t$  as a system of 1<sup>st</sup> order equations.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{A. } \begin{cases} x' = y \\ y' = \frac{1}{2}(-3y - kx + \cos 2t) \end{cases} & \text{B. } \begin{cases} x' = y \\ y' = \frac{1}{2}(-3x - ky + \cos 2t) \end{cases} \\ \text{C. } \begin{cases} x' = x \\ y' = \frac{1}{2}(-3y - kx + \cos 2t) \end{cases} & \text{D. } \begin{cases} x' = y \\ y' = 2y + kx + \cos 2t \end{cases} \\ \text{E. } \begin{cases} x' = 2y + 3x + \cos 2t \\ y' = x \end{cases} & \end{array}$$

20. The solution of  $X' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X$ ,  $X(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  is

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{A. } 2e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} & \text{B. } 2e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} & \text{C. } e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{D. } 3e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} - e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} & \text{E. } 3e^{3t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} & \end{array}$$

21. Solve  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $X(0) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{A. } X(t) = 2e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix} - e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{pmatrix} & \text{B. } X(t) = 2e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix} + e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{C. } X(t) = 2e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix} - e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ -\sin t \end{pmatrix} & \text{D. } X(t) = e^t \begin{pmatrix} \sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix} - e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{E. } X(t) = e^t \begin{pmatrix} -\sin t \\ \cos t \end{pmatrix} - e^t \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{pmatrix} & \end{array}$$

22. Solve the initial value problem  $\vec{x}'(t) = A\vec{x}(t)$ ,  $\vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{A. } e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - 2te^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & \text{B. } e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 2te^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & \text{C. } e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + te^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{D. } e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 2te^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & \text{E. } e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - 2te^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & \end{array}$$

23. Find a particular solution of  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- A.  $X_p = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$     B.  $X_p = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$     C.  $X_p = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$     D.  $X_p = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$   
 E.  $X_p = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

24. Find the general solution of  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 6e^{-t} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

- A.  $C_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 B.  $C_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 6e^{-t} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 C.  $C_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 D.  $C_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 E.  $C_1 e^t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + C_2 e^{2t} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + e^{-t} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

25.  $\mathcal{L}\{e^t(1 + \cos 2t)\} =$

- A.  $\frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{(s-1)^2 + 4}$     B.  $\frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{s-1}{s^2 - 2s + 5}$     C.  $\left(\frac{1}{s-1}\right) \left(\frac{1}{s} + \frac{s-1}{(s-1)^2 + 4}\right)$   
 D.  $\left(\frac{1}{s-1}\right) \left(\frac{s-1}{s^2 - 2s + 5}\right)$     E.  $\frac{1}{s} + \frac{s-1}{(s-1)^2 + 4}$

26. Find the Laplace transform of  $f(t) = \begin{cases} t, & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 0, & 1 \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$ .

- A.  $e^{-s} \left(\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s-2}\right)$     B.  $\frac{1}{s^2} + 2e^{-s} \left(\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s^2}\right)$     C.  $\frac{1}{s^2} - e^{-s} \frac{1}{s^2}$     D.  $\frac{1}{s^2} - e^{-s} \left(\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s^2}\right)$   
 E.  $e^{-s} \left(\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{s^2}\right)$

27. Solve  $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 4\mathcal{U}(t-1)$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 1$

- A.  $\mathcal{U}(t-1) (2 - 4e^{-(t-1)} + 2e^{-2(t-1)})$     B.  $\mathcal{U}(t-1) (2 - 4e^{-(t-1)} + 2e^{-2(t-1)}) + e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$   
 C.  $\mathcal{U}(t) (2 - 4e^{-(t-1)} + 2e^{-2(t-1)}) + e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$     D.  $(2 - 4e^{-(t-1)} + 2e^{-2(t-1)}) + e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$   
 E.  $e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$

28. Find the solution of the initial value problem  $y'' + y = \delta(t - \pi)$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(0) = 1$ .

- A.  $y = \sin t + \mathcal{U}(t) \sin t$     B.  $y = \sin t + \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) \sin \pi t$     C.  $y = \sin t + \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) \sin(t - \pi)$   
 D.  $y = \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) (\sin t + \sin(t - \pi))$     E.  $y = \mathcal{U}(t - \pi) \sin t$

29. The inverse Laplace transform of  $F(s) = \frac{se^{-s}}{s^2 + 2s + 5}$  is

- A.  $\mathcal{U}(t-1) (e^{-t} \cos 2(t-1)) - \frac{1}{2} e^{-t} \sin 2(t-1)$     B.  $(e^{-t+1} \cos 2(t-1)) - \frac{1}{2} e^{-t+1} \sin 2(t-1)$   
 C.  $\mathcal{U}(t-1) (e^{t-1} \cos 2(t-1)) - \frac{1}{2} e^{t-1} \sin 2(t-1)$     D.  $\mathcal{U}(t) (e^{-t} \cos 2t) - \frac{1}{2} e^{-t} \sin 2t$   
 E.  $\mathcal{U}(t-1) (e^{-t+1} \cos 2(t-1) - \frac{1}{2} e^{-t+1} \sin 2(t-1))$

30.  $\mathcal{L} \left\{ \int_0^t \sin 2(t-\nu) \cos(3\nu) d\nu \right\} =$

- A.  $\frac{2s}{(s^2+4)(s^2+9)}$     B.  $\frac{2}{s^2+4} + \frac{s}{s^2+9}$     C.  $\frac{1}{s^2+4} + \frac{s}{s^2+9}$     D.  $\frac{2}{(s^2+4)(s^2+9)}$   
 E.  $\frac{s}{(s^2+4)(s^2+9)}$

### Answers

1. E
2. C
3. A
4. D
5. C
6. B
7. B
8. D
9. C
10. E
  
11. A
12. B
13. A
14. D
15. C
16. C
17. E
18. D
19. A
20. A
  
21. C
22. C
23. A
24. D
25. B
26. D
27. B
28. C
29. E
30. A

|     | $f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s)\}$           | $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}$                                    |
|-----|---|---|
| 1.  | 1   | $\frac{1}{s}$   |
| 2.  | $e^{at}$                                    | $\frac{1}{s-a}$   |
| 3.  | $t^n$                                       | $\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$  |
| 4.  | $t^n e^{at}$                                | $\frac{n!}{(s-a)^{n+1}}$  |
| 5.  | $\cos kt$                                   | $\frac{s}{s^2+k^2}$   |
| 6.  | $\sin kt$                                   | $\frac{k}{s^2+k^2}$   |
| 7.  | $e^{at} \cos kt$                            | $\frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2+k^2}$                                       |
| 8.  | $e^{at} \sin kt$                            | $\frac{k}{(s-a)^2+k^2}$   |
| 9.  | $\sqrt{t}$                                  | $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2s^{\frac{3}{2}}}$                           |
| 10. | $t^n f(t)$                                  | $(-1)^n F^{(n)}(s)$   |
| 11. | $f'(t)$                                     | $sF(s) - f(0)$  |
| 12. | $f''(t)$                                    | $s^2F(s) - sf(0) - f'(0)$                                       |
| 13. | $f^{(n)}(t)$                                | $s^n F(s) - s^{n-1}f(0) - \dots - sf^{(n-2)}(0) - f^{(n-1)}(0)$ |
| 14. | $e^{at} f(t)$                               | $F(s-a)$  |
| 15. | $\mathcal{U}(t-a)$                          | $\frac{e^{-as}}{s}$   |
| 16. | $f(t-a)\mathcal{U}(t-a)$                    | $e^{-as}F(s)$   |
| 17. | $f(t)\mathcal{U}(t-a)$                      | $e^{-as}\mathcal{L}\{f(t+a)\}$                                  |
| 18. | $\delta(t-t_0)$                             | $e^{-t_0s}$   |
| 19. | $(f * g)(t) = \int_0^t f(t-\nu)g(\nu) d\nu$ | $F(s)G(s)$  |
| 20. | $f(t-T) = f(t)$                             | $\frac{1}{1-e^{-sT}} \int_0^T e^{-st} f(t) dt$                  |