

- This exam is worth 100 points and has 5 problems.
- Show all work and simplify your answers! Answers with no justification will receive no points unless otherwise noted.
- Begin each problem on a new page.
- **DO NOT LEAVE THE EXAM UNTIL YOU HAVE SATISFACTORILY SCANNED AND UPLOADED YOUR EXAM TO GRADESCOPE.**
- You are taking this exam in a proctored and honor code enforced environment. No calculators, cell phones, or other electronic devices or the internet are permitted during the exam. You are allowed one 8.5" × 11" crib sheet with writing on one side.

0. At the top of the page containing your solution to problem 1, write the following statement and sign your name to it: "I will abide by the CU Boulder Honor Code on this exam." **FAILURE TO INCLUDE THIS STATEMENT AND YOUR SIGNATURE MAY RESULT IN A PENALTY.**

1. [2360/040826 (10 pts)] Write the word **TRUE** or **FALSE** as appropriate. No work need be shown. No partial credit given. Please write your answers in a two-column table (letter - answer) completely separate from any work you do to arrive at the answer.

(a) The differential equation  $y^{(4)} - y''' = t^2$  is equivalent to the system of differential equations given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \\ x_3' \\ x_4' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1+t^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)  $\int_0^{\infty} t \cos t e^{-st} dt = \frac{s^2 - 1}{(s^2 + 1)^2}$ .

(c) The total energy,  $E$ , of the system governed by  $2\ddot{x} + e^{-x} = -1$  is  $E = \dot{x}^2 + x - e^{-x}$ .

(d) An harmonic oscillator with  $m = b = k = 1$  and forced by  $\cos 1.01t$  will exhibit beats.

(e)  $\mathcal{L}\{e^{-t} \cosh t\} = \frac{s+1}{s^2+2s}$ .

2. [2360/040826 (22 pts)] Consider the linear operator  $\mathcal{L}(\vec{y}) = y'''$ .

(a) (3 pts) Use an appropriate characteristic equation to find a basis for the solution space of  $\mathcal{L}(\vec{y}) = 0$  and state the dimension of the solution space.

(b) (6 pts) Is  $\{3t^2 - 7t + \frac{1}{2}, t + 1, 2t^2 - 11t - 6\}$  a basis for the solution space of  $\mathcal{L}(\vec{y}) = 0$ ? Justify your answer.

(c) (13 pts) Solve the initial value problem  $\mathcal{L}(\vec{y}) = 120(t^3 + t - 2)$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = 2$ ,  $y''(0) = 6$  using the Method of Undetermined Coefficients. Zero credit for using any other technique.

3. [2360/040826 (20 pts)] Use variation of parameters to solve the initial value problem

$$x^2 y'' + 2xy' - 2y = 30x^3 + 30x, \quad y(1) = 4, \quad y'(1) = 23$$

Assume  $x > 0$ . Zero credit for using any other technique. Hint: Your final answer will not contain fractions.

4. [2360/040826 (10 pts)] For each of the following, a characteristic equation and forcing function,  $f(t)$ , or a nonhomogeneous differential equation is given. Provide the guess for the particular solution you would use when implementing the Method of Undetermined Coefficients. **DO NOT** find the coefficients, simply write your guess. If the method is not applicable, write **N/A**.

(a)  $r^3 + r^2 - 2 = 0$ ,  $f(t) = e^t(1 + \cos t)$

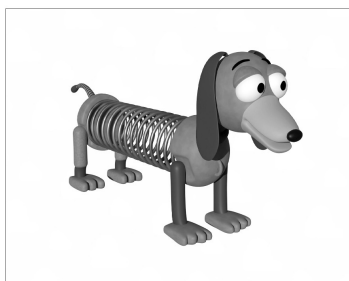
(b)  $y'' + 2y' + 3y = \ln t$

(c)  $r(r^2 + 4)^2 = 0$ ,  $f(t) = 6 + 7 \sin 3t - 5 \cos 3t$

(d)  $y'' + 16y = e^{2t} \cos 4t + \sin 2t$

(e)  $(r-1)^2(r^2 + 3r + 2) = 0$ ,  $f(t) = e^{-3t} + t(e^t + 2)$

5. [2360/040826 (38 pts)] Andy's Slinky dog (Slinky) can be considered a damped harmonic oscillator (see figure). Consider Slinky's head to be the 2-kg mass in the oscillator, shown in the equilibrium (rest) position. The spring/restoring constant is 8 N/m. Unfortunately, Slinky was coming into the house and his backside got caught in the doggie door. Not to worry - Buzz Lightyear to the rescue!



- (a) (2 pts) How far to the right of the equilibrium position would Buzz stretch Slinky if he exerts a force of 16 N? Include units in your answer.
- (b) (4 pts) If Buzz wants Slinky's head to pass through the equilibrium position more than once, find all values of the damping constant that make this possible.
- (c) (27 pts) Now suppose that the damping constant  $b = 10$  N/m/s and the mass and restoring constant remain 2 kg and 8 N/m, respectively. Buzz pulls Slinky's head 2 m to the right of the equilibrium position and then gives it an initial velocity of 11 m/s to the left.
- (1 pt) In this case, is Slinky underdamped, overdamped or critically damped?
  - (20 pts) Use Laplace transforms to find the equation of motion of Slinky's head assuming there are no external forces acting on Slinky. Zero credit for using any other technique.
  - (6 pts) Will Slinky's head pass through the equilibrium position? If so, find the time(s) when this occurs. If not, explain why not.
- (d) (5 pts) If all else remains the same, but an external force of  $f(t) = 30 \cos 2t$  is applied to Slinky, the resulting Laplace transform of the initial value problem is

$$X(s) = \frac{3}{s^2 + 4} - \frac{2}{s + 1} + \frac{4}{s + 4}$$

Find the amplitude of the steady state motion of Slinky's head in this case.

**Short table of Laplace Transforms:**  $\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s) \equiv \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$

In this table,  $a, b, c$  are real numbers with  $c \geq 0$ , and  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^n e^{at}\} = \frac{n!}{(s-a)^{n+1}} \quad \mathcal{L}\{e^{at} \cos bt\} = \frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 + b^2} \quad \mathcal{L}\{e^{at} \sin bt\} = \frac{b}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\cosh bt\} = \frac{s}{s^2 - b^2} \quad \mathcal{L}\{\sinh bt\} = \frac{b}{s^2 - b^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^n f(t)\} = (-1)^n \frac{d^n F(s)}{ds^n} \quad \mathcal{L}\{e^{at} f(t)\} = F(s-a) \quad \mathcal{L}\{\delta(t-c)\} = e^{-cs}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{tf'(t)\} = -F(s) - s \frac{dF(s)}{ds} \quad \mathcal{L}\{f(t-c) \text{step}(t-c)\} = e^{-cs} F(s) \quad \mathcal{L}\{f(t) \text{step}(t-c)\} = e^{-cs} \mathcal{L}\{f(t+c)\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f^{(n)}(t)\} = s^n F(s) - s^{n-1} f(0) - s^{n-2} f'(0) - s^{n-3} f''(0) - \dots - f^{(n-1)}(0)$$