

## 4. exercise sheet for Mathematics for advanced materials science

**4.1.** (Laplace transform)

In exercise 3.3 you have computed

$$\mathscr{L}\{x\}(s) = \frac{3s(s^2 + s + 1) + 4}{3s^4 + 4s^2 + 1}$$

for the solution x to the following initial value problem:

$$\begin{cases} \text{differential equation: } 3\ddot{x} + x \stackrel{!}{=} \sin \text{ on } \mathbb{R}_+,\\ \text{initial conditions: } \begin{cases} \dot{x}(0) \stackrel{!}{=} 1,\\ x(0) \stackrel{!}{=} 1. \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Invert the above Laplace transform to find an expression for x.
- (b) Use a computer to plot the function *x* on the interval [0, 100].
- (c) Show that *x* remains bounded and provide as good an upper bound for *x* as you can, that is, find  $C \in \mathbb{R}$  as small as possible such that for every  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  one has  $x(t) \leq C$ .
- **4.2.** (*Laplace transform*) Find a function *f* with  $\mathscr{L}{f}(s) = \frac{s-2}{s^2+4}$ .
- **4.3.** (*Proofs without words*)

Below you find visual proofs of two results.

- (a) Describe what is being proved.
- (b) Give an explanation of at least one of the proofs.

Adapted from Roger B. Nelsen's book Proofs Without Words II:

Please submit your solutions digitally at the corresponding TeachCenter course. The deadline is 02.11.2021, 23:55 o'clock. https://tc.tugraz.at/main/course/view.php?id=3543 https://www.math.tugraz.at/~mtechnau/teaching/2021-w-mams.html

