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 Applied Mathematics -Level 05

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Time: 9.30 a.m.- 11.30a.m.

Answer FOUR questions only.

1. (a) Find the Laplace transform  $L(t)$  of  $te^{at} \sin at$ .

(b) Show that  $L^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^3(s+1)}\right\} = 1-t + \frac{1}{2}t^2 - e^{-t}$ .

(c) Using the convolution theorem, find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$\left\{\frac{1}{(s^2+1)^3}\right\}$$

(d) Solve the following boundary value problem using the Laplace transform method:

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 5y = e^{-x} \sin x \quad \text{where } y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1.$$

2. Obtain the formal expansion of the function  $f$  defined by  $f(x) = 1$  ( $1 \leq x \leq e^\pi$ ) as a series

of orthonormal characteristic functions  $\{\phi_n\}$  of the Sturm-Liouville problem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left[ x \frac{d}{dx} \right] + \frac{\lambda}{x} y &= 0 \\ y'(1) &= 0 \\ y'(e^{2\pi}) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

3.(a) Find the Fourier Series of  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & -L \leq x \leq 0 \\ L-x, & 0 \leq x \leq L \end{cases}$  in the interval  $-L \leq x \leq L$ .

(b) Find the Fourier sine series and the Fourier cosine series of the following function  $f$  defined on  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & ; 0 \leq x \leq \pi/2 \\ \pi - x & ; \pi/2 \leq x \leq \pi. \end{cases}$$

4. (a) The Gamma function denoted by  $\Gamma(p)$  corresponding to the parameter  $p$  is

defined by the improper integral  $\Gamma(p) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{p-1} dt$ , ( $p > 0$ ).

Show that  $\int_0^{\infty} \sqrt[4]{x} e^{-\sqrt{x}} dx = \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\pi}$ .

( You may assume that  $\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\pi}$  . )

(b) The Beta function denoted by  $\beta(p, q)$  is defined by

$$\beta(p, q) = \int_0^1 x^{p-1} (1-x)^{q-1} dx, \quad \text{where } p \text{ and } q \text{ are positive parameters.}$$

Using Gamma functions and Beta functions to evaluate each of the following integrals:

(i)  $I = \int_0^1 x^{\frac{3}{2}} (1-x^2)^{\frac{5}{2}} dx$ .

(ii)  $\int_{-1}^{+1} (1+x)^{p-1} (1-x)^{q-1} dx$ .

(iii) Show that  $I = \left[ \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x^8} dx \right] \times \left[ \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^4} dx \right] = \frac{\pi}{16\sqrt{2}}$ .

5. Let  $J_p(x)$  be the Bessel function of order  $p$  given by the expansion

$$J_p(x) = x^p \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m x^{2m}}{2^{2m+p} m! \Gamma(p+m+1)}.$$

Prove each of the following results:

$$(a) \frac{d}{dx} \{x^p J_p(x)\} = x^p J_{p-1}(x).$$

$$(b) \frac{d}{dx} \{x^{-p} J_p(x)\} = -x^{-p} J_{p+1}(x).$$

$$(c) J_2'(x) = \left(1 - \frac{4}{x^2}\right) J_1(x) + \frac{2}{x} J_0(x).$$

6. The Rodrigue's formula for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  degree Legendre polynomial denoted by  $P_n(x)$  is given as

$$P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^2 - 1)^n.$$

$P_n(x)$  is also given by the sum

$$P_n(x) = \sum_{m=0}^M \frac{(-1)^m (2n-2m)!}{2^n m! (n-m)! (n-2m)!} x^{n-2m}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

where  $M = \frac{n}{2}$  or  $\frac{n-1}{2}$  whichever is an integer.

(a) Prove each of the following results:

$$(i) xP_n'(x) = nP_n(x) + P_{n-1}'(x).$$

$$(ii) (2n+1)(1-x^2)P_n'(x) = n(n+1)[P_{n-1}(x) - P_{n+1}(x)].$$

(b) Express each of the following polynomials in terms of Legendre polynomials:

$$(i) 1 + x - x^2.$$

$$(ii) 1 + 2x - 3x^2 + 4x^3.$$

