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APU 3143-Mathematical Methods

APPLIED MATHEMATICS-LEVEL 05

Duration: Two Hours.

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Time: 1.30 p.m.- 3.30p.m.

Answer FOUR questions only.

1. (i) Show that $L^{-1} \left\{ \frac{s}{(s-2)^2(s+1)} \right\} = e^{2t} \left(\frac{t^4}{36} + \frac{t^3}{54} - \frac{t^2}{54} + \frac{t}{81} - \frac{1}{243} \right) + \frac{e^{-t}}{243}$,

(ii) Show that

$$L^{-1} \left\{ \frac{e^{-4s} - e^{-7s}}{s^2} \right\} = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < t < 4 \\ t-4 & 4 < t < 7 \\ 3 & t > 7 \end{cases}; \text{ where } L \text{ represents the Laplace operator.}$$

(iii) Use the convolution theorem to find the inverse Laplace transform of each of the following:

$$(a) \frac{1}{(s^2 + 4)(s + 1)^2} \quad (b) \frac{1}{s^2(s^2 - a^2)}$$

2. Solve each of the following boundary value problems using the Laplace transform method.

(i) $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dt} + y = 2t$, subject to $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 0$.

(ii) $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dt} + 101y = 5 \sin 10t$, subject to $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 20$.

(iii) $2 \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 50y = 100 \sin \omega t$, subject to $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 0$.

(iv) $\frac{d^4y}{dt^4} = E$, subject to $y(0) = y''(0) = y(L) = y''(L) = 0$; where E is a constant.

3. Find the characteristic values and characteristic functions of the Sturm-Liouville problem

given by $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \lambda y = 0$, $y(0) + y'(0) = 0$, $y(\pi) - y'(\pi) = 0$.

4. (i) Define an orthonormal system.

(ii) Obtain the formal expansion of the function f where $f(x) = \pi x - x^2$, $0 < x < \pi$ as a series of orthonormal characteristic functions $\{\phi_n\}$ of the Sturm-Liouville problem given below.

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \lambda y = 0$$

$$y(0) = 0, \quad y(\pi) = 0$$

Discuss the convergence of the above formal expansion.

5. Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right)$, $-L \leq x \leq L$ be the Fourier series of f .

Determine the coefficients a_0 , a_n and b_n for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Show that the Fourier series of the function

$$f(x) = \cos \mu x \quad (\mu \text{ is not an integer}), \quad -\pi \leq x \leq \pi$$

is given by

$$\frac{2\mu \sin \mu \pi}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{\mu^2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \cos nx}{(n^2 - \mu^2)} \right].$$

6.(i) Let $f(x)$ be a function defined in the interval $0 < x < \pi$. The Fourier cosine series of $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx, \quad \text{where } a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx \quad \text{and } a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx$$

$$\text{Show that } \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} [f(x)]^2 dx = \pi a_0^2 + 2\pi \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2.$$

(ii) A function $f(x)$ is defined over the range

$$0 < x < 4 \text{ as } f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & 0 < x \leq 2 \\ 4-x, & 2 < x < 4. \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the cosine and sine expansions of $f(x)$.

(b) Sketch the graph for each expansion.