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Applied Mathematics -Level 05

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Answer FOUR questions only.

1. The Laplace transform of a function f(t), denoted by L[f(t)] is defined as

$$L[f(t)] = F(s) = \int_0^\infty f(t) e^{-st} dt$$
 and $L^{-1}\{F(s) = f(t)\}.$

(a) Find the inverse Laplace transforms of the following function.

$$F(s) = \frac{3s+1}{(s+1)^4}.$$

(b) Show that
$$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{2+5s}{s^2e^{4s}}\right\} = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < t < 4\\ 2t - 3 & t > 4. \end{cases}$$

(c) Use the convolution theorem to find the inverse Laplace transform of

$$\frac{1}{(s+1)(s+9)^2}.$$

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

(a)
$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 16y = 32t$$
, subject to $y(0) = 3$, $y'(0) = -2$.

(b)
$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 4\frac{dy}{dt} + 4y = 6e^{-2t}$$
, subject to $y(0) = -2$, $y'(0) = 8$.

(c)
$$\frac{d^3y}{dt^3} + 8y = 32t^3 - 16t$$
, subject to $y(0) = y'(0) = y''(0) = 0$.

3. Obtain the formal expansion of the function f defined by f(x) = x $(0 \le x \le \pi)$ as a series of orthonormal characteristic functions $\{\phi_n\}$ of the Sturm-Liouville boundary value problem

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

$$y(\pi)=0.$$

4. (a) Consider the function f(x) defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & -\pi \le x < 0 \\ 2, & 0 \le x \le \pi \end{cases}$$

Find the trigonometric Fourier series of f(x) in $-\pi \le x \le \pi$.

(b) Consider the function f(x) defined by f(x) = x; $0 \le x \le \pi$.

Find the Fourier sine series and the Fourier cosine series of f(x) on $0 \le x \le \pi$.

5. (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).

Evaluate each of the following integrals using Gamma functions:

$$(i) \int_{0}^{\infty} \sqrt{ye^{-y^{2}}} dy \qquad (ii) \int_{0}^{1} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{-\ln x}}.$$

(b) The Beta function denoted by $\beta(p,q)$ is defined by $\beta(p,q) = \int_{0}^{1} x^{p-1} (1-x)^{q-1} dx$,

where p > 0 and q > 0 are parameters.

Prove each of the following results using Beta functions:

(i)
$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\sqrt{\tan \theta} + \sqrt{\sec \theta} \right) d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \left\{ \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)} \right\}.$$

(ii)
$$\int_0^1 x^4 \left[\ln \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \right]^3 dx = \frac{6}{625}$$
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6. $J_p(x)$ the Bessel function of order p is given by the expansion

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

(a) Prove the following recurrence relation:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \{J_{p}(x)\} = J_{p-1}(x) - \frac{p}{x} J_{p}(x) \text{ or } xJ'_{p}(x) = xJ_{p-1}(x) - pJ_{p}(x)$$

$$\left(\text{Hint: } \frac{d}{dx} \{x^{p} J_{p}(x)\} = x^{p} J_{p-1}(x)\right)$$

(b) Evaluate $J_{-\frac{1}{2}}$, $J_{\frac{3}{2}}$, in terms of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$.

$$\left(\text{Hint: } J_{\frac{1}{2}}\left(x\right) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}}.\sin x.\right)$$

(c) Evaluate $\int J_3(x)dx$.