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 Applied Mathematics -Level 05



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Time: 09.30 a.m.- 11.30 a.m.

Answer FOUR questions only.

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

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

(i) Show that $L^{-1}\left\{\cot^{-1}\left(\frac{s+a}{b}\right)\right\} = \frac{e^{-at}}{t} \sin bt$.

(ii) Find the inverse Laplace transforms of each of the following functions:

(a) $F(s) = \frac{2-5s}{(s-6)(s^2+11)}$.

(b) $F(s) = \frac{1}{(s^2+a^2)^2}$.

(c) $F(s) = \frac{s+1}{s^2(s^2+1)}$.

2. (i) Use the convolution theorem to find the inverse Laplace transform of $\frac{a}{s^2(s^2+a^2)^2}$.

(ii) Solve each of the following boundary value problems using the Laplace transform method:

(a) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4y = e^{-3x} \sin 2x$, subject to the boundary conditions $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$.

(b) $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 3\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = x^2 + 5$, subject to the boundary conditions $y(0) = 1$, $y'(0) = 0$.

3. (i) Find the characteristic values and characteristic functions of the following Sturm-

Liouville problem:

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

(ii) Check the orthogonality of the above characteristic functions with respect to the weight function 1 on the interval $0 \leq x < \pi$.

4. (i) Consider the function $f(x)$ defined for $-L \leq x \leq L$ by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & -L \leq x < 0, \\ L, & 0 \leq x \leq L. \end{cases}$$

Find the trigonometric Fourier series of $f(x)$ in $-L \leq x \leq L$.

(ii) Consider the function $f(x)$ defined by $f(x) = 2L$; $0 \leq x \leq L$

Find the Fourier Sine series and the Fourier Cosine series of f in $0 \leq x \leq L$.

5.(i) The Gamma function denoted by $\Gamma(p)$ corresponding to the parameter p is defined by the

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

(a) Compute $\frac{\Gamma(4)\Gamma(3.5)}{\Gamma(5.5)}$.

(b) Prove that $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} \cdot x^{n-1} dx = \frac{\Gamma(n)}{a^n}$ where a and n are positive.

(ii) 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.

Evaluate each of the following integrals using Beta function:

$$(a) \int_0^2 \frac{x^2 dx}{\sqrt{2-x}} \quad (b) \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^6 \theta d\theta.$$

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

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

Prove each of the following:

$$(i) \frac{d}{dx} \{xJ_n J_{n+1}\} = x [J_n^2 - J_{n+1}^2]$$

$$(ii) \frac{d}{dx} [J_n^2 + J_{n+1}^2] = 2 \left[\frac{n}{x} J_n^2 - \frac{n+1}{x} J_{n+1}^2 \right].$$

$$(iii) J_n''' = \frac{1}{8} [J_{n-3} - 3J_{n-1} + 3J_{n+1} - J_{n+3}]. ; \text{ where } ''' \text{ denotes the standard notation.}$$