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MATHEMATICS III (CHEMICAL)

2 hours

Attempt all the questions. The allocation of marks is shown in brackets.

- 1 (i) Find and classify the stationary points of the function

$$f(x, y) = x^4 + y^4 - 4a^2xy,$$

where a is a constant.

(9 marks)

- (ii) Write down the iteration formula for the Newton-Raphson method. Starting from $x_0 = 1.0$ use the Newton-Raphson method to find an approximation to a root of the equation

$$x \sin x - 1 = 0,$$

correct to three decimal places.

(8 marks)

- (iii) If

$$k \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial t},$$

and

$$u = \frac{x}{2\sqrt{kt}},$$

where k is a constant and $v = v(u)$, show that

$$\frac{d^2 v}{du^2} + 2u \frac{dv}{du} = 0.$$

(8 marks)

- 2 (i) The Dirichlet conditions are sufficient conditions for a real-valued, periodic function $f(x)$ to be equal to the sum of its Fourier series at each point where it is continuous. State two of the Dirichlet conditions. *(2 marks)*

Explain why the following functions do not satisfy the Dirichlet conditions:

- (a) A periodic function, $g(x)$, of period 4π , defined by

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{16 - x^2} \quad \text{for } -2\pi \leq x < 2\pi.$$

- (b) A periodic function, $h(x)$, of period 2π , defined by

$$h(x) = \sin\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right) \quad \text{for } -\pi \leq x < \pi.$$

(4 marks)

- (ii) Write down the definition of an odd function and the definition of an even function.

State whether each of the following functions is odd, even or neither even nor odd:

- (a) $e^{-|x|}$,
 (b) $x \cosh x$,
 (c) $x^2 \sin x$,
 (d) e^{-4x} ,
 (e) $x|x| - x^3$.

(6 marks)

- (iii) A periodic function, $f(x)$, of period 2π is defined by

$$f(x) = |x| \quad \text{for } -\pi \leq x < \pi.$$

Supposing that $f(x)$ has a convergent trigonometric Fourier series, show that

$$|x| = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{\cos x}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5x}{5^2} + \dots \right).$$

(10 marks)

Hence deduce that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{8}.$$

(3 marks)

- 3 (i) The vector field, \mathbf{A} , is given by

$$\mathbf{A} = (e^{xy}, 2x - y, y \sin x).$$

- (a) Calculate $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}$. *(2 marks)*
 (b) Calculate $\nabla \times \mathbf{A}$. *(4 marks)*
 (c) Evaluate $\nabla^2 \mathbf{A}$ at the point with co-ordinates $(\frac{\pi}{2}, 0, 0)$. *(4 marks)*

- (ii) A vector field, \mathbf{F} , is given by

$$\mathbf{F} = (3x^2 + yz, z(x - 1), y(x - 1)).$$

Find a scalar potential, ϕ , for the vector field $\mathbf{F} = \nabla\phi$. *(9 marks)*

- (iii) Find the gradients of the scalar fields:

- (a) $\phi = x^3 + y^3 + z^3$, *(2 marks)*
 (b) $\psi = \mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla(x + y + z)$, *(4 marks)*
 where $\mathbf{r} = (x, y, z)$.

- 4 (i) Show that the function $u(x, y) = f(y + 2x) + xg(y + 2x)$, where f and g are two arbitrary twice differentiable functions, satisfies the equation

$$u_{xx} - 4u_{xy} + 4u_{yy} = 0. \quad \text{(8 marks)}$$

- (ii) Use D'Alembert's method to find the solution of the wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0,$$

that satisfies the conditions

$$u(x, 0) = \sin x,$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = x^2,$$

where c denotes a constant phase speed. Simplify your answer as much as possible. *(17 marks)*

End of Question Paper

Formula Sheet

Fourier Series

Suppose that $f(x)$ is defined on the interval $-L \leq x \leq L$. The Fourier series for $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right)$$

where

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

On the interval $0 \leq x \leq L$ the Fourier cosine series for $f(x)$ is

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

and the Fourier sine series is

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}, \quad b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

Gradient of a Scalar Field

The gradient of the scalar field $\phi(x, y, z)$ is given by

$$\nabla\phi = \text{grad } \phi = \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} \right).$$

Chain Rule

- 1 If $z = f(x, y)$, where $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$, then

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt}.$$

- 2 If $z = f(x, y)$, where $x = x(u, v)$, $y = y(u, v)$, then

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}, \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}.$$

- 3 If $z = f(u, v)$, where $u = u(x, y)$, $v = v(x, y)$, then

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}.$$

Maxima and Minima

- 1 The function $f(x, y)$ has a stationary point at (x_0, y_0) if

$$f_x = f_y = 0 \quad \text{at } (x_0, y_0).$$

- 2 At (x_0, y_0) , the function $f(x, y)$ has:

- (i) a minimum if

$$f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f_{xx} > 0 \quad \text{at } (x_0, y_0),$$

- (ii) a maximum if

$$f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f_{xx} < 0 \quad \text{at } (x_0, y_0),$$

- (iii) a saddle point if

$$f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 < 0 \quad \text{at } (x_0, y_0).$$