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Mathematics for Engineering Modelling

2 hours

Answer *four* questions. If you answer more than four questions, only your best four will be counted.

- 1 (i) Find the Maclaurin series for $\cos x$ and $\cos^3 x$, where $\cos^3 x$ denotes $(\cos x)^3$, up to and including the term involving x^4 . Show that the Maclaurin series suggest that $\cos 3x + 3 \cos x = A \cos^3 x$, and find the value of A .

Find the first 3 terms of the Taylor series for $\sin x$ about the point $x = \pi/4$. Use the result to find an approximate value for $\sin(1)$, quoting your result to 3 decimal places. **(10 marks)**

- (ii) Find an expression for the sum of the infinite series

$$\frac{3}{2} + 3x^2 + 6x^4 + 12x^6 + 24x^8 + \dots \quad (1)$$

and determine its radius of convergence, R . Hence find the sum of the infinite series

$$\frac{3}{4}x^2 + \frac{3}{4}x^4 + x^6 + \frac{3}{2}x^8 + \dots \quad (2)$$

Hint: consider series (1) multiplied by x . **(8 marks)**

- (iii) Use l'Hôpital's rule to evaluate

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sinh x - \sin x}{x^3},$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right).$

(7 marks)

2 Let $f(x) = \cos 2x$ be defined on the range $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, and let $F(x)$ denote its Fourier *sin* series.

(i) Sketch $F(x)$ for the range $-3\pi < x < 3\pi$.

State Fourier's Theorem (Dirichlet's Theorem for the case of a Fourier series), and hence determine the value of $F(\pi)$.

(8 marks)

(ii) Show that

$$F(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{2m+1}{(2m+1)^2 - 4} \sin(2m+1)x.$$

(14 marks)

(iii) Deduce that

$$\frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{5} - \frac{5}{21} + \frac{7}{45} - \dots$$

(3 marks)

3 (i) (a) Calculate *by integration* the Laplace transform of $f(t) = e^{3t}t^2$, and give the condition on s for the result to be valid.

(b) State the filtering property of the Dirac delta function. Hence calculate the Laplace transform of $f(t) = \delta(t - \pi/3) \sin t$ by integration.

(7 marks)

(ii) With the aid of the Table of Laplace transforms, find the inverse Laplace transforms of

$$(a) \frac{s-5}{s^2+2s+5}, \quad (b) \frac{1}{(s^2+1)(s-3)},$$

and (c) the Laplace transform of

$$u(t-4)t^2,$$

where $u(t)$ is the unit Heaviside function.

(8 marks)

(iii) The displacement x of a mass attached to the end of a spring follows the governing equation

$$4 \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 100x = f(t),$$

where $f(t)$ is a force applied to the mass. The mass is initially at $x = 2$ and at rest, when it is released at time $t = 0$. At time $t = t_1 = 3\pi/10$ the mass is subject to an impulsive force; the impulse is of magnitude 50.

Use the method of Laplace transforms to find the displacement $x(t)$.

Simplify your expression for $t \leq t_1$ and $t > t_1$, and sketch your result.

(10 marks)

- 4 The equilibrium temperature $T(x, y)$ in an infinitely long metal sheet of width l satisfies

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} = 0,$$

where $a \leq x < \infty$ and $0 \leq y \leq l$.

- (i) If $T \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$, using the method of separation of variables show that solutions are of the form

$$T(x, y) = e^{-\lambda x}(A \cos \lambda y + B \sin \lambda y),$$

where λ is a real positive constant. *(12 marks)*

- (ii) Find the general solution that also satisfies the boundary conditions $T = 0$ along the edges $y = 0$ and $y = l$.

(5 marks)

- (iii) If the temperature along the edge $x = a$ is 1, find the complete solution for this case, i.e. calculate the coefficients in the general solution of part (ii).

(8 marks)

- 5 (i) Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^{\sqrt{\pi/2}} \int_0^x x^2 \sin xy \, dy \, dx.$$

(6 marks)

- (ii) By changing the order of integration, evaluate

$$\int_0^1 \int_{x^2-1}^0 x e^{y^2+2y} \, dy \, dx.$$

(8 marks)

- (iii) A region R is given by the limits $x^2 + y^2 \leq 4$, $y \geq x$. Using a change of coordinates, evaluate the integral

$$\iint_R \frac{(x^2 - y^2) y}{(x^2 + y^2)^2 (x^2 + y^2 - 9)} \, dx \, dy.$$

(11 marks)

End of Question Paper