



SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

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Mathematics for Engineering Modelling

2 hours

Answer **four** questions. You are advised **not** to answer more than four questions: if you do, only your best four will be counted.

- 1 (i) With the help of relevant formulae on the formula sheet, write down the Maclaurin series for  $\sin x$  up to the  $x^5$  term and for  $\cos x$  up to the  $x^4$  term. Use **the series** to verify that, up to and including terms in  $x^4$ ,

$$\cos(2x) = 1 - 2\sin^2(x)$$

(7 marks)

- (ii) Given the infinite geometric series

$$a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} + \dots, \quad r \neq 1,$$

derive an expression for the partial sum  $s_n$  of the first  $n$  terms. Hence show that the series is convergent for  $|r| < 1$  and find the sum of the infinite series. (5 marks)

- (iii) Find the sum of the infinite series

$$24x^2 + 384x^5 + 4608x^8 + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3n8^n x^{3n-1}.$$

Note that the series is **NOT** a geometric progression. (8 marks)

- (iv) Evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(2x) - 1}{\ln(1+x) - x}.$$

(5 marks)

2 Consider the function

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

and its Fourier series denoted by  $F(x)$ .

(i) Sketch  $F(x)$  in the range  $-3\pi < x < 3\pi$ . (5 marks)

(ii) Show that

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

(13 marks)

(iii) Using a suitable choice for  $x$ , deduce that

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

(7 marks)

3 (i) Let  $F(s)$  be the Laplace transform of  $f(t)$ . Calculate **by integration** the Laplace transform of each of the following functions:

(a)  $f(t) = t^{1/3}e^{-3t}\delta(t-1),$

(b)  $f(t) = u(t-4),$

where  $\delta(t)$  is the Dirac delta function and  $u(t)$  is the Heaviside step function.

(5 marks)

(ii) With the aid of the Table of Laplace transforms, find the inverse Laplace transform of the following function of  $s$ :

$$\frac{e^{-3s}(s+3)}{s^2+6s+13}.$$

(8 marks)

(iii) Use the method of Laplace transforms to solve the second-order ordinary differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} - 3\frac{dy}{dt} - 4y = 0,$$

subject to the initial conditions  $y(0) = 1$  and  $y'(0) = -2$ .

(12 marks)

- 4 The displacement  $u(x, t)$  of a vibrating string evolves according to the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}.$$

The boundary conditions are that  $u = 0$  at both  $x = 0$  and  $x = a$ , and initially (i.e. at  $t = 0$ ),  $\partial u / \partial t = 0$ .

- (i) Using the *method of separation of variables*, show that this configuration has the general solution

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{n\pi ct}{a}.$$

*(16 marks)*

- (ii) Given that  $u(x, 0) = \cos(\pi x/a)$ , find the value for  $A_n$ . *(9 marks)*

- 5 (i) Evaluate the integral

$$I = \int_0^1 \int_x^{x-1} (x^2 + 2y) \, dy \, dx.$$

*(5 marks)*

- (ii) A region  $D$  is given by the bounds  $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$ ,  $x \geq 0$  and  $y \geq 0$ . Evaluate, *using a change of coordinates*, the integral

$$I = \int \int_D \frac{x}{y^{1/2}} \, dx \, dy.$$

*(10 marks)*

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

$$I = \int_0^1 \int_{\sqrt{y}}^1 \frac{10y}{\sqrt{1+x^5}} \, dx \, dy.$$

*(10 marks)*

**End of Question Paper**

For use with MAS253 first semester examination

Formulae for use in L2 Mechanical Engineering Mathematics Examination

These results may be quoted without proof unless proofs are asked for in the question.

Trigonometry

$$\sin 2P = 2 \sin P \cos P,$$

$$\cos 2P = \cos^2 P - \sin^2 P = 2 \cos^2 P - 1 = 1 - 2 \sin^2 P,$$

$$\cos P \cos Q = \frac{1}{2} \{ \cos (P+Q) + \cos (P-Q) \},$$

$$\sin P \sin Q = -\frac{1}{2} \{ \cos (P+Q) - \cos (P-Q) \},$$

$$\sin P \cos Q = \frac{1}{2} \{ \sin (P+Q) + \sin (P-Q) \}.$$

Geometric progression

The partial sum to  $n$  terms of

$$a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} + \dots$$

is

$$S_n = a(1 - r^n) / (1 - r), \quad r \neq 1.$$

Taylor Series for functions of one variable (x)

The Taylor series of  $f(x)$  about  $x=a$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{1}{2!} f''(a)(x-a)^2 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n \end{aligned}$$

The Maclaurin series of  $f(x)$  is the special case of the Taylor series when  $a=0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{1}{2!} f''(0)x^2 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n \end{aligned}$$

Important examples of Maclaurin series are:

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2!}x^2 + \dots \quad (R \text{ is infinite})$$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 - \dots \quad (R \text{ is infinite})$$

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{1}{2!}x^2 + \frac{1}{4!}x^4 - \dots \quad (R \text{ is infinite})$$

$$\ln(1+x) = x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \dots \quad (R=1)$$

$$(1+x)^\alpha = 1 + \alpha x + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{2!}x^2 + \dots \quad (R=1)$$

$R$  is the radius of convergence.

### Binomial Theorem

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{1.2}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{1.2.3}x^3 + \dots$$

If  $n$  is positive and integer, series terminates.

If  $n$  is negative or non-integer (or both), the series is an infinite series with the radius of convergence,  $R=1$ .

### Fourier Series

The Fourier series of  $f(x)$  for  $-l < x < l$  is

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

where

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{l} \int_{-l}^l f(x) dx \quad ,$$

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

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

### Laplace Transform

The Laplace Transform of  $f(t)$  is

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

For special cases, see later page.

### Partial Differentiation

$$\delta F = F(x+\delta, y+\varepsilon) - F(x, y) \cong \delta \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + \varepsilon \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}$$

Chain Rules:

1. Suppose that  $F = F(x, y)$  and that  $x$  and  $y$  are functions of  $t$ , i.e.  $x = x(t), y = y(t)$ , then

$$\frac{dF}{dt} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt}$$

2. Suppose that  $F = F(x, y)$  and that  $x$  and  $y$  are functions of the variables  $u$  and  $v$ , i.e.  $x = x(u, v), y = y(u, v)$ , then

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}; \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}$$

### Taylor Series for functions of two variables (x, y)

The Taylor series of  $f(x, y)$  about  $x = a, y = b$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= f(a, b) + \{(x-a) f_x(a, b) + (y-b) f_y(a, b)\} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2!} \{(x-a)^2 f_{xx}(a, b) + 2(x-a)(y-b) f_{xy}(a, b) + \\ &+ (y-b)^2 f_{yy}(a, b)\} + \\ &+ \dots \end{aligned}$$

Here  $f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  etc.

### Partial Differential Equations (2 independent variables)

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad \text{Laplace's equation}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{K} \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \quad \text{Heat conduction (or diffusion) eqn.}$$

equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial t^2} \quad \text{Wave equation}$$

### General Solution of ODEs

$$X'' = -\omega^2 X \Rightarrow X(x) = A \cos \omega x + B \sin \omega x$$

$$X'' = \omega^2 X \Rightarrow X(x) = C \cosh \omega x + D \sinh \omega x$$

$$\text{or } E e^{\omega x} + F e^{-\omega x}$$

$$T' = kT \Rightarrow T(t) = A e^{kt}$$

Table of Laplace Transforms	
$f(t)$	$F(s) = L(f(t))$
$f(t)$	$F(s)$
$f'(t)$	$sF(s) - f(0)$
$f''(t)$	$s^2 F(s) - sf(0) - f'(0)$
$f^{iv}(t)$	$s^4 F(s) - s^3 f(0) - s^2 f'(0) - sf''(0) - f'''(0)$
1	$1/s$
$t$	$1/s^2$
$t^{n-1}/(n-1)! (n \geq 1)$	$1/s^n$
$e^{at}$	$\frac{1}{s-a}$
$\frac{1}{a} \sin at$	$\frac{1}{s^2 + a^2}$
$\cos at$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$
$\frac{1}{a} \sinh at$	$\frac{1}{s^2 - a^2}$
$\cosh at$	$\frac{s}{s^2 - a^2}$
$\frac{\sin at - at \cos at}{2a^3}$	$\frac{1}{(s^2 + a^2)^2}$
$\frac{t \sin at}{2a}$	$\frac{s}{(s^2 + a^2)^2}$
$e^{at} f(t)$	$F(s-a)$ , where $F(s) = L(f(t))$
$\delta(t)$	1
$\delta(t-a)$	$e^{-as}$
$u(t-a)$	$e^{-as}/s$
$u(t-a) f(t-a)$	$e^{-as} F(s)$ , where $F(s) = L(f(t))$