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2005 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

SMA2104 PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

3 Hours

Answer ALL questions in Section A and any FOUR questions in Section B.

SECTION A : Answer ALL questions from this section.

[28 Marks]

1. Find the Fourier series of the function

$$f(x) = 2x - \pi, \quad -\pi < x \leq \pi$$

$$f(x + 2\pi) = f(x).$$

[7 Marks]

2. Use the method of separation of variables to solve the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x},$$

given that

$$u(x, 0) = 2e^{-2x} - 5.$$

[4 Marks]

3. Find the imaginary part of the Fourier transform of the function

$$H(x-1)e^{-x}, \text{ where } H \text{ is the unit step function.}$$

[5 Marks]

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4. Use Laplace transforms to solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 3\frac{dy}{dt} + 2y = 2t - 6, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 4.$$

[7 Marks]

5. Find the general solution of the partial differential equation

$$y \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = y.$$

[5 Marks]

SECTION B - Answer any FOUR questions from this section.

[72 Marks]

6. (a) Show that, for an even function $f(x)$ of period 2ℓ which satisfies Dirichlet's conditions,

$$E_n = \int_{-\ell}^{\ell} (f(x) - S_n(x))^2 dx$$

is minimised if

$$a_r = \frac{2}{\ell} \int_0^{\ell} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{r\pi x}{\ell}\right) dx \quad (r = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots),$$

where

$$S_n(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{r=1}^n a_r \cos\left(\frac{r\pi x}{\ell}\right).$$

[6 Marks]

- (b) Find the Fourier half range cosine series for the function defined by

$$f(x) = x + 1; \quad 0 < x < 2.$$

[6 Marks]

- i. Sketch the function represented by each of the series over the interval $-4 \leq x \leq 4$,

[3 Marks]

- ii. Find a series representation for π .

[3 Marks]

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7. (a) Find the Fourier transform of $H(x) - H(x - 2)$, where H is the unit step function. [4 Marks]
- (b) Show that the Fourier transform of $f(x + a)$ is $e^{i\omega a} F(\omega)$, where $F(\omega)$ is the Fourier transform of $f(x)$. Hence write down the Fourier transform of $(H(x + 2) - H(x))$. [5 Marks]
- (c) Use Parseval's theorem on $H(x + 2) - H(x)$ to find an expression for π . [3 Marks]
- (d) The convolution theorem states that, if

$$g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(t) f_2(x - t) dt,$$

then

$$G(\omega) = F_1(\omega) F_2(\omega).$$

Hence find the function which has as its Fourier transform the product of the transforms of $H(x + 2) - H(x)$ and $H(x) - H(x - 2)$.

[6 Marks]

8. Let $F(s)$ denote the Laplace Transform of $f(t)$, i.e.

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

- (a) Use the definition given above to find the Laplace transform of $\cosh t$. [3 Marks]
- (b) Show that the Laplace transform of $tf(t)$ is $-\frac{dF}{ds}$. Hence find the Laplace transform of $t \cosh t$. [4 Marks]
- (c) Show that the Laplace transform of $H(t - k)f(t - k)$ is $e^{-ks} F(s)$. Hence find the Laplace transform of $H(t - 1)(t - 1) \cosh(t - 1)$. [4 Marks]
- (d) Use Laplace transforms to solve the boundary value problem

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + y = H(t - 1)(t - 1) \cosh(t - 1), \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = -1.$$

[7 Marks]

9. Consider the boundary value problem

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

(a) Write the differential equation in Sturm-Liouville form, i.e.

$$\frac{d\left(\tau \frac{dy}{dx}\right)}{dx} + (q + \lambda p)y = 0.$$

[3 Marks]

(b) Find the eigenvalues, λ_n , and the corresponding eigenfunctions, $f_n(x)$, of the boundary value problem.

[8 Marks]

(c) Verify that the eigenfunctions satisfy the orthogonality conditions for a regular Sturm-Liouville problem

$$\int_a^b p(x)f_n(x)f_m(x) dx = 0, \quad n \neq m.$$

[3 Marks]

(d) Given that the coefficients in the generalised Fourier series for the function

$$g(x) = e^{-x}, \quad (0 < x < \pi), \quad g(0) = g(\pi) = 0$$

are given by

$$c_n = \frac{\int_a^b p(x)g(x)f_n(x) dx}{\int_a^b p(x)[f_n(x)]^2 dx},$$

find the generalised Fourier series for $g(x)$ in terms of these eigenfunctions.

[4 Marks]

10. The Fourier Sine transform of a function $f(x)$ is given by

$$F_s(\omega) = \int_0^\infty f(x) \sin(\omega x) dx$$

and the Fourier Sine integral is given by

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty F_s(\omega) \sin(\omega x) d\omega.$$

(a) Stating clearly any assumptions you make, find the Fourier Sine transform of $\frac{d^2u}{dx^2}$ in terms of the transform of u and initial conditions.

[5 Marks]

(b) Use a Fourier sine transform to solve

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad (0 < y < 4, \quad 0 < x < \infty),$$

$$u(0, y) = 100,$$

$$u(x, 0) = u(x, 4) = 0.$$

[13 Marks]

11. A square plate, of side 1 metre, is insulated on each face. Three edges are held at a temperature T of 10 degrees Celcius, the other edge is held at 100 degrees Celcius.

(a) Find a , b , u and A such that this situation can be modelled by the boundary value problem

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad (0 < x < a, \quad 0 < y < b)$$

given that

$$u(0, y) = u(a, y) = 0 \quad (0 < y < b)$$

and

$$u(x, 0) = 0 \quad u(x, b) = A \quad (0 < x < a).$$

[5 Marks]

(b) Use the method of separation of variables to solve this boundary value problem. Hence find the steady state temperature of the centre of the plate, correct to the nearest integer.

[13 Marks]

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