

Question 1 ($5 + 10 + 5 = 20$ marks).

- (a) The ordinary differential equation

$$xy'' + (1 - 2x)y' + (x - 1)y = 0,$$

has a solution $y_1 = e^x$. Use this to find a second linearly independent solution y_2 .

- (b) Use Variation of Parameters to solve

$$x^2y'' - 3xy' + 3y = 2x^4e^x.$$

The homogenous problem has solutions of the form $y = x^r$.

- (c) Express the solution of the equation

$$x^2y'' + 5xy' + (4 - x^6)y = 0$$

in terms of Bessel functions.

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Question 2 (10 + 10 = 20 marks).

- (a) Use a power series to obtain the general solution of the ODE

$$(x^2 - 1)y'' + 2xy' - 2y = 0.$$

- (b) Consider the ODE

$$2x^2y'' + 3xy' - (1 + x)y = 0.$$

- (i) Look for a solution of the form $y = x^s \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$. Show that we must have $s = -1$ or $s = 1/2$.

- (ii) Show that the coefficients satisfy

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{a_n}{(n + s + 2)(2n + 2s + 1)}.$$

- (iii) Use the recurrence relation for a_n to generate two linearly independent solutions for the ODE.

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Question 3 ($5 + 10 + 3 + 2 = 20$ marks).

- (a) Calculate the inverse Laplace transform of the function

$$F(s) = \frac{2s + 4}{(s + 1)(s^2 + 9)}.$$

- (b) Use the Laplace transform to solve the ODE

$$y'' + 4y = t, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 1.$$

- (c) Let $F(s)$ be the Laplace transform of $f(t)$. Use the convolution theorem to express the inverse Laplace transform of

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4 + s^2}} F(s)$$

as an integral.

- (d) Explain why the function

$$F(s) = \frac{s^3 + 4s^2 + 1}{2s^6 + 4s^4 + 2s + 6},$$

is a Laplace transform. (DO NOT TRY TO INVERT THIS LAPLACE TRANSFORM).

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Question 4 (10 + 10 = 20 marks).

- (a) Let $f(x+2) = f(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 1 & -1 \leq x < 0. \end{cases}$$

- (i) Calculate the Fourier series for f .
- (ii) Denote the Fourier cosine coefficients by a_n and the sine coefficients by b_n . Determine the value of the infinite series

$$2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2).$$

- (iii) To what values will the Fourier series converge at $x = 0$ and $x = 2$? Explain your answer.

- (b) Consider the following boundary value problem for Laplace's equation

$$\begin{aligned} u_{xx} + u_{yy} &= 0, & 0 \leq x \leq 1, & 0 \leq y \leq 1, \\ u(0, y) &= u(1, y) = 0, \\ u(x, 0) &= x - x^2, & u(x, 1) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Obtain a solution of this problem using separation of variables and a Fourier series.
- (ii) Where does the maximum value of the solution occur?

Question 5 (8 + 12 = 20 marks).

- (a) (i) Show that the problem $y' = (1+x)(1+y)$, $y(0) = 1$ has solution $y(x) = 2e^{\frac{1}{2}x(x+2)} - 1$.
- (ii) Construct a second order Taylor series scheme for the initial value problem in [(i)], on the interval $[0, 1]$. Let $h = 0.1$. Now use your Taylor scheme to find approximations for the value of the solution at $x = 0.1$ and $x = 0.2$. Compare your approximate solution with the exact solution.
- (b) Set up a finite difference scheme for solving the boundary value problem

$$y'' + y = x^3, \quad x \in [0, 1],$$

subject to the boundary conditions $y(0) = 0, y(1) = 1$. Show that this leads to a linear system of the form $Ay = b$ where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} h^2 - 2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & h^2 - 2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & h^2 - 2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 & h^2 - 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} h^2 x_1^3 \\ \vdots \\ h^2 x_{n-1}^3 - y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Solve the resulting system in the case when $n = 4$. i.e $h = 0.25$.

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Table of integrals

$$\begin{aligned}
\int u^n du &= \frac{u^{n+1}}{n+1} + C & \int \frac{du}{\sqrt{u^2-1}} &= \cosh^{-1} u + C \\
\int \frac{du}{u} &= \log |u| + C & \int \frac{du}{\sqrt{a^2+u^2}} &= \sinh^{-1} \frac{u}{a} + C \\
& & &= \log \left(u + \sqrt{a^2+u^2} \right) + C \\
\int e^u du &= e^u + C \\
\int \cos u du &= \sin u + C & \int \frac{du}{1-u^2} &= \tanh^{-1} u + C_1 \\
& & &= \frac{1}{2} \log \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| + C_2 \\
\int \sin u du &= -\cos u + C \\
\int \operatorname{cosech}^2 u du &= -\coth u + C & \int \cosh u du &= \sinh u + C \\
\int \tan^2 u du &= u - \tan u + C & \int \sinh u du &= \cosh u + C \\
\int \sec u \tan u du &= \sec u + C & \int \tanh u du &= \log \cosh u + C \\
\int \csc u \cot u du &= -\csc u + C & \int u dv &= uv - \int v du \\
\int \frac{du}{\sqrt{a^2-u^2}} &= \sin^{-1} \frac{u}{a} + C & \int \ln u du &= u \ln u - u + C \\
\int \frac{du}{a^2+u^2} &= \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \frac{u}{a} + C \\
\int u^n \ln u du &= \frac{u^{1+n}}{1+n} \ln u - \frac{u^{1+n}}{(1+n)^2} + C
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int u \sin(au) du &= \frac{\sin(au)}{a^2} - \frac{u \cos(au)}{a} + C \\
\int u \cos(au) du &= \frac{\cos(au)}{a^2} + \frac{u \sin(au)}{a} + C \\
\int u^2 \sin(au) du &= \frac{2u \cos(au)}{a^2} + \frac{(a^2 u^2 - 2) \sin(au)}{a^3} \\
\int u^2 \cos(au) du &= \frac{2u \sin(au)}{a^2} - \frac{(a^2 u^2 - 2) \cos(au)}{a^3}.
\end{aligned}$$

Table of Laplace transforms

$$\mathcal{L}(t^n) = \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(e^{-at}) = \frac{1}{s+a}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\sin(at)) = \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\cos(at)) = \frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(J_0(t)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+s^2}}.$$

Variation of parameters

Given that y_1 and y_2 are solutions of the ODE

$$a(x)y''(x) + b(x)y'(x) + c(x)y(x) = 0,$$

we seek a particular solution of the ODE

$$a(x)y''(x) + b(x)y'(x) + c(x)y(x) = f(x),$$

by looking for solutions of the form $y_p(x) = u(x)y_1(x) + v(x)y_2(x)$. The functions u and v must satisfy

$$u'y_1 + v'y_2 = 0,$$

$$u'y'_1 + v'y'_2 = f(x).$$

Bessel Functions

Bessel's differential equation $t^2u'' + tu' + (t^2 - \alpha^2)u = 0$ may be transformed into the equation

$$x^2y'' + (1 - 2s)xy' + ((s^2 - r^2\alpha^2) + a^2r^2x^{2r})y = 0$$

under the change of variables $t = ax^r$ and $y(x) = x^s u(t)$.