

Engineering Mathematics

Entrance Exam

(10%) 1. Solve the initial value problem:

$$y'' - 2y' + y = xe^x + \sin x,$$

$$y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 1.$$

(12%) 2. Let  $C_i(s)$  be the Laplace transform of  $c_i(t)$ . Find  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c_i(t)$ , and  $\frac{d}{dt} c_i(t)|_{t=0+}$  for the following

$C_i(s)$

(a)  $C_1(s) = \frac{s}{s+2},$

(b)  $C_2(s) = \frac{2s+1}{s^2+2s+3},$

(c)  $C_3(s) = \frac{3s+2}{s^2(s^2+2s+3)},$

(d)  $C_4(s) = \frac{3s^2+2s+1}{s(s^2+2s+3)(s+4)},$

(e)  $C_5(s) = \frac{2s+5}{s^3+2s^2-5s+5},$

(f)  $C_6(s) = \frac{3s^2+2s+1}{(s^2+3)(s+1)}.$

(14%) 3. Consider the complex-valued function:

$$f(z) = \frac{\cos(1/z)}{z^3(z^2+4)}.$$

(a) What are the singular points of  $f(z)$ ? Also *classify* the singularities.

(b) Evaluate  $\oint_C f(z) dz$  where  $C: |z-2i|=1$  oriented counterclockwise.

(15%) 4.

(a) Find the derivative of the function  $x = g(y)$  inverse to the function  $y = f(x) = x + x^5$  at  $y = 2, x = 1$ .

(b) Find the slope of the tangent to the circle  $(x-3)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 37$  at the point  $x = 2, y = 5$ .

(c) Find the derivative, at  $x = 0, y = 0$ , for the function defined near this point by the equation  $x^2 - y^2 = 0$ .

(d) Let  $C$  be a curve leading from  $(1, 1, 1)$  to  $(2, 4, 6)$ . Compute  $\int_C y dx + (x+z^2) dy + 2yz dz$ .

(15%) 5.

- (a) Consider the linear space which is spanned by the following vectors

$$\underline{a}_1 = (2, 3, 1, 2), \quad \underline{a}_2 = (3, 4, 5, 7), \quad \underline{a}_3 = (1, 1, 2, 1).$$

Construct a set of orthogonal unit basis for this linear space.

- (b) Consider the following linear algebra equation

$$\underline{A}\underline{x} = \underline{y}$$

where  $\underline{A} \in R^{n \times m}$ ,  $\underline{y} \in R^{n \times 1}$  are given. Give the conditions under which  $\underline{x}$  exists.

(Note that  $\underline{A}$  may not be a square matrix.)

(15%) 6.

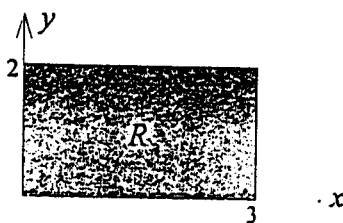
- (a) If  $\underline{u}$ ,  $\underline{v}$  are two vectors, derive the *triangle inequality*:

$$\|\underline{u} + \underline{v}\| \leq \|\underline{u}\| + \|\underline{v}\|,$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  denotes the Euclidean norm of a vector. (Hint: Schwarz inequality:  $|\underline{u} \cdot \underline{v}| \leq \|\underline{u}\| \|\underline{v}\|$ )

- (b) Given a scalar field  $u(x, y, z, t) = x^3 y^2 z t$  and a vector field  $\underline{v}(x, y, z) = x^2 y \underline{i} - 3z \underline{j}$  in Cartesian coordinate system, find  $\text{gradu}$ ,  $\text{div} \underline{v}$ , and  $\text{curl} \underline{v}$ .

- (c) Verify the *Divergence Theorem* for the vector field  $\underline{v}$  in (b) over the two-dimensional region  $R$ , which is a rectangle shown below.



- (19%) 7. Solve the following partial differential equation

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

with the initial conditions  $u(x, 0) = x^3$  over  $0 < x < \ell$  and the end conditions

$$u(0, t) = 0, \quad u(\ell, t) = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 < t < \infty.$$

Can you find the solution if you change the initial conditions to  $u(x, 0) = x^4$  over  $0 < x < \ell$ ?

Why?