

Engineering Mathematics

PhD Candidate Qualification Examination

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Part I (Ordinary Differential Equation and Laplace Transform)

1. Solve the linear differential equation

$$(1+x^2)(dy-dx) = 2xy \, dx \quad (17\%)$$

2. Solve the ordinary differential equation

$$y'' + y = \sec x \quad (17\%)$$

3. Using the Laplace transform, solve the following problem

$$F(t) = t \quad \text{if } 0 < t < 2 \text{ and } F(t) = 2 \text{ if } 2 < t$$

$$\text{find the } L\{F(t)\} \quad (17\%)$$

(每題 17 分)

4. (1) Evaluate $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$, $\vec{F} = (x^2 + y^2)^{-1}[-y, x, 0]$, C the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$, $z = 0$, oriented clockwise. Why can Stoke's theorem not be applied?
- (2) Evaluate $\iiint_V \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} dA$ by the divergence theorem. $\vec{F} = [1, 1, 1]$,
 $S: x^2 + y^2 + 4z^2 = 4$, $z \geq 0$.

5. Prove the following formulas.

$$(1) \operatorname{div}(f \vec{v}) = f \operatorname{div} \vec{v} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla f$$

$$(2) \operatorname{div}(f \nabla g) - \operatorname{div}(g \nabla f) = f \nabla^2 g - g \nabla^2 f$$

6. An elastic membrane in the x_1x_2 -plane with boundary circle $x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1$ is stretched so that a point $P: (x_1, x_2)$ goes over into the point $Q: (y_1, y_2)$ given by

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}; \text{ in components, } \begin{cases} y_1 = 5x_1 + 3x_2 \\ y_2 = 3x_1 + 5x_2 \end{cases}$$

Find the **principal directions**, that is, the directions of the position vector x of P for which the direction of the position vector y of Q is the same or exactly opposite. What shape does the boundary circle take under this deformation?

7. Let us assume that $f(x)$ is a periodic function of period 2π and is integrated over a period. Let us further assume that $f(x)$ can be represented by a trigonometric series, (17%)

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$$

Also, we have the so-called Euler formulas,

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$

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

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

These numbers are called the Fourier coefficients of $f(x)$.

Here is the question: The periodic function $f(x)$ is shown in Fig.1 and the formula is,

$$f(x) = k \quad \text{if } 0 < x < \pi$$

$$f(x) = -k \quad \text{if } -\pi < x < 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f(x+2\pi) = f(x)$$

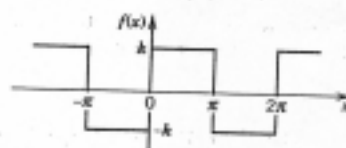


Fig. 1 The given function $f(x)$ (Periodic square wave)

Please find the following questions:

- Find the Fourier coefficient of the periodic function $f(x)$
- Please briefly draw the first three partial sums of the corresponding Fourier series.

8. Please find solutions $u(x,y)$ of the following partial differential equations. (17%)

(a) Solve the partial differential equation $u_{xy} = -u_x$.

(b) Find a solution $u(x, y)$ of the partial differential equation $u_y = u$.

9. The general expression of the Fourier transform of $f(x)$ is in the following: (17%)

$$\hat{f}(w) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-iwx} dx$$

Please explain the following question and find the Fourier transform of the following function $f(x)$

(a) What are the differences of the Fourier transform and Discrete Fourier transform (DFT)? And, why did we need to learn them?

(b) Please find the Fourier transform of $f(x)$

$$f(x) = -1 \text{ if } -a < x < 0,$$

$$f(x) = 1 \text{ if } 0 < x < a, \text{ and}$$

$$f(x) = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$