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**Show your steps clearly. Credit will be given for all the steps and derivations leading to the final results of the calculations.**

1. Given that  $x$  and  $y$  are independent of each other,  $f$  is a function,  $f^{-1}$  is the inverse function of  $f$ , and  $f'$  represent taking derivative of  $f$ , write down the results of the following differentiations and integrations: (15%)

(a)  $\frac{d}{dx}(y^{f(x)})$  (3%)

(b)  $\frac{d}{dy}(y^{f(x)})$  (3%)

(c)  $\int dx \frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(x))}$  (3%)

(d)  $\int dx \frac{df(x)}{dx}$  (3%)

(e)  $\frac{d}{dy} \left[ \int dx f(x) \right]$  (3%)

2. Given  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 8 \\ 1 & 8 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , find  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ . (10%)

3. It is given that the following matrix equation is satisfied:

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{\Lambda}, \quad (3.1)$$

where  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 8 & 2 & 8 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{23} \\ x_{31} & x_{32} & x_{33} \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{\Lambda} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 \end{pmatrix}$ . The 9 elements of  $\mathbf{X}$  and the 3

diagonal elements of  $\mathbf{\Lambda}$  are to be determined under all of the following conditions: the elements  $d_1$ ,  $d_2$  and  $d_3$  are all different numbers; and each column of  $\mathbf{X}$  is of unit length, i.e.

$$\sqrt{x_{1j}^2 + x_{2j}^2 + x_{3j}^2} = 1 \text{ for } j=1,2,3.$$

Find a set of numbers for  $d_1$ ,  $d_2$ ,  $d_3$  and all 9 elements of  $\mathbf{X}$  such that Eq. (3.1) together with all of the conditions specified above are satisfied. (15%)

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4. Given  $\mathbf{F} = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)\hat{x} + (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)\hat{y} + (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)\hat{z}$  in Cartesian coordinates. Find the value of the surface integral  $\int_S (\mathbf{F} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) da$ , where the surface  $S$  is a spherical surface with equation  $x^2 + y^2 + (z-1)^2 = 1$  (i.e. spherical surface with center at  $(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 1)$  and unit radius),  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$  is the unit vector normal to the surface and pointing outward, and  $da$  is the differential area. (20%)

5. Given the following equation in spherical coordinates  $(r, \theta, \phi)$

$$\nabla^2 f = \alpha^2 f, \tag{5.1}$$

where  $f = f(r)$ ,  $\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2}$  is the Laplacian operator, and  $\alpha > 0$  is a real number, find the general solution of  $f$  by performing the steps described below: (20%)

- (i) Let  $f = r^\beta g$ , where  $g = g(r)$  and  $\beta$  is a constant. Convert Eq. (5.1) from an equation for  $f$  to a second-order differential equation for  $g$  in a form that explicitly consists of  $g'$  and  $g''$ , where

$$g' \equiv \frac{dg}{dr} \text{ and } g'' \equiv \frac{d^2g}{dr^2}. \text{ (5\%)}$$

- (ii) Choose a value for  $\beta$  so as to reduce the second-order differential equation for  $g$  to a minimal number of terms. Then find the general solution for  $g$ . (7%)

- (iii) Based on the result in Step (ii), find the general solution for  $f$ . (3%)

- (iv) Solve for  $f(r)$  under the following set of boundary conditions:  $f = 1$  for  $r = 1$  and  $f \rightarrow 0$  for  $r \rightarrow \infty$ . (5%)

6. For a function  $A(x, y, z)$ , where  $(x, y, z)$  are the Cartesian coordinates, its Laplacian is

$$\nabla^2 A = \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial z^2}.$$

The same function, when expressed in the cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \phi, z)$ , becomes  $\tilde{A}(r, \phi, z)$ , i.e.

$$A(x, y, z) = \tilde{A}(r, \phi, z).$$

While the coordinate  $z$  is the same in both coordinate systems, the other cylindrical coordinates are related to the Cartesian coordinates as follows:

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \cos \phi = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \text{ and } \sin \phi = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}.$$

Using all of the equations given above, derive  $\nabla^2 \tilde{A}$  in cylindrical coordinates. (20%)