

1. (10%) Find the general solutions for $y(x)$ in the following ODE's.

(a) $y' - a y + b y^2 = 0$

(b) $y''' - y'' + 4y' - 4y = 0$

2. (a) (5%) If the Laplace transform of $y(t)$ is $Y(s) = \frac{1}{s} \tanh\left(\frac{as}{2}\right)$, where a is a constant, please find the value of y at $t = 0$.

- (b) (5%) Legendre Polynomials are said to be orthogonal on the interval of $[-1, 1]$ because

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_m(x)P_n(x)dx = 0 \text{ \& , if } m \neq n, \text{ and } \int_{-1}^1 P_n^2(x)dx = \frac{2}{2n+1}$$

Supposed that $P_0(x) = 1$ and $P_1(x) = x$, please determine the values of a, b , and c for $P_2(x) = a x^2 + b x + c$ with $a > 0$.

3. (10%) A function is defined as

$$F(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{4^n} x^{2n}$$

(a) Please find the radius of convergence within which the function $F(x)$ has a bounded value. (b) Evaluate the value of $F(0.1)$ to a precision of six digits after decimal place.

4. (10%) A position vector of a particle for time $t > 0$ is $F(t) = \cos(t) \mathbf{i} + \sin(t) \mathbf{j} + t \mathbf{k}$. Please determine (a) the unit tangent vector of the curve F as a function of time, and (b) the radius of curvature of F .

5. (10%) Please use Laplace transform to solve the following differential equation system.

$$x_1'' - (k x_1 + a x_2') = f, \quad x_1(t=0)=1, \quad x_1'(t=0) = 0,$$

$$x_2'' + (k x_1 + a x_2') = -f, \quad x_2(t=0)=0, \quad x_2'(t=0) = 1,$$

where the function f is

$$f(t) = 1, \quad 0 \leq t < 5 \\ = 10, \quad 5 \leq t.$$

6. (10%) Produce a matrix, P , that diagonalizes the given matrix,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

that is, $P^{-1}AP = \text{diagonal matrix}$

7. (10%) Find the complex Fourier series expansion of the given periodic function $f(t) = 2x$, for $0 \leq x < 3$ and period 3.

8. (15%) Find the first 5 nonzero terms of the series solution,

$$x^2 y'' - y' + xy = e^x; \quad y(-2)=1 \text{ and } y'(-2)=6$$

9. (15%) Solve the non-homogeneous heat equation,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + r \quad r = \text{constant} \quad (0 < x < 1, t > 0)$$

$$u(0, t) = 0, \quad u(1, t) = u_0 \text{ (constant)}$$

$$u(x, 0) = f(x)$$