

National Exams May 2011  
04-BS-1, Mathematics  
3 hours Duration

Notes:

1. If doubt exists as to the interpretation of any question, the candidate is urged to submit with the answer paper, a clear statement of any assumptions made.
  2. NO CALCULATOR is permitted. This is a CLOSED BOOK exam. However, candidates are permitted to bring ONE AID SHEET written on both sides.
  3. Any five questions constitute a complete paper. Only the first five questions as they appear in your answer book will be marked.
  4. All questions are of equal value.
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Marking Scheme:

1. 20 marks
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7. 20 marks
8. 20 marks

1. Compute the response of the damped mass-spring system modelled by

$$y'' + 3y' + 2y = r(t), \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0,$$

where  $r$  is the square wave

$$r(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 1 \leq t < 2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and  $'$  denotes differentiation with respect to time.

2. Solve the initial value problem

$$t^2 y'' - 4ty' + 6y = \pi^2 t^4 \sin \pi t, \quad y(1) = 5, \quad y'(1) = 5 + \pi,$$

where  $'$  denotes differentiation with respect to  $t$ .

3. Find the general solution,  $y(x)$ , of the differential equation

$$y'' + 2y' + 2y = 3e^{-x} \cos 2x,$$

where  $'$  denotes differentiation with respect to  $x$ .

4. An elastic membrane in the  $x_1 x_2$ -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

$$y_1 = 5x_1 + 3x_2,$$

$$y_2 = 3x_1 + 5x_2.$$

Find the principal directions of the transformation. These are the directions of the position vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  of all points  $P$  for which the direction of the position vector  $\mathbf{y}$  of  $Q$  is the same or exactly opposite. What shape does the boundary circle take under the deformation?

5. Evaluate the surface integral  $\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$ , where

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = 4x\mathbf{i} + 2x^2\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k},$$

$S$  is the surface of the region bounded by the cone  $z = 4 - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and the plane  $z = 0$ ,

6. Let  $C$  be the curve formed by the intersection of the cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and the plane  $z = 1 + y$ , and let  $\mathbf{v}$  be the vector function  $\mathbf{v} = 4z\mathbf{i} - 2x\mathbf{j} + 2x\mathbf{k}$ . Evaluate the line integral  $\oint_C \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ . Assume a clockwise orientation for the curve when viewed from above.
7. Find a formula for the plane tangent to the surface  $z = f(x, y)$  with  $f(x, y) = 1 + x \ln(xy - 5)$  at the point  $(2, 3)$  and use the tangent plane to approximate  $f(1.9, 3.05)$ .
8. Find the minimum value of the function  $F(x, y, z) = 2x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2$  subject to the constraint  $x + y - z = 7$ .