



INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, KHARAGPUR

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Subject : Advanced Mathematical Techniques in Chemical Engineering

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Date:

Time: 2 Hrs

Full Marks: 50

Instructions : Answer **all Questions**. Assume any missing data suitably. Closed notes/books

1. Consider a problem, $Lu=f$, where, $L=3x\frac{d^2}{dx^2}+5\frac{d^2}{dx^2}+3$ with set of boundary conditions B such as at $x=0$, $\frac{du}{dx}=0$ and at $x=1$, $\frac{du}{dx}-4u=0$. Find out adjoint operator L^* with associated boundary condition set B^* .

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2. Working in a spherical coordinate system an engineer has landed into the following equation:

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 8x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0 \text{ with BC at } x=0, y=\text{finite and } x=1, y=1$$

Find the solution of above equation.

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3. Consider PDE, $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ with conditions: at $t=0$, $u=1$; at $x=0$, $u=0$ and at $x=1$, $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + u = 2$. Divide this problem into sub-problems such that each sub-problem is well posed.

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4. A transient chemical engineering system is described as,

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = x_1^2 - ax_1x_2 - x_1 \text{ and } \frac{dx_2}{dt} = bx_2^2 + x_1x_2 - 2x_2$$

where, a and b are two positive process parameters. Find the possible steady states. Check stability of each steady state.

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3. Identify the following equations homogeneous, non-homogeneous, linear, non-linear:

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(i) $u \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$; (ii) $u \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 5x$; (iii) $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 5ux$

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4. Consider an enzyme catalyzed fermentation process is governed by Monod kinetics is occurring in a CSTR with volume V , flow rate q . Feed concentration of the reactant S is C_f . The reaction occurs isothermally. The reaction can be considered as an irreversible reaction as $S \rightarrow P$, where rate equation is given as $-r_A = \frac{k_1 c}{(1 + k_2 c)^2}$.

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Show that two parameters of this system are $Da = k_1 V / q$ and $\sigma = k_2 c_f$. Find the condition for existence of unique steady state. If $D=3$, show that maximum value of σ is 8.

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