



Semester 2 Assessment, 2022

School of Mathematics and Statistics

MAST20030 Differential Equations

Reading time: 30 minutes — Writing time: 3 hours — Upload time: 30 minutes

This exam consists of 8 pages (including this page) with 7 questions and 105 total marks

Permitted Materials

- This exam and/or an offline electronic PDF reader and blank loose-leaf paper.
- One double sided A4 page of notes (handwritten only).
- No calculators are permitted. No headphones or earphones are permitted.

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Writing

- Marks are awarded for:
 - Using appropriate mathematical techniques,
 - Showing full working, including results used,
 - Accuracy of the solution,
 - Using correct mathematical notation.
- Write your answers on A4 paper. Page 1 should only have your student number, the subject code and the subject name. Write on one side of each sheet only. Each question should be on a new page. The question number must be written at the top of each page.

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Question 1 (8 marks)

Consider the ordinary differential equation (ODE)

$$x^2 y''(x) + xy'(x) - n^2 y(x) = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

- (a) Given $n > 0$:
- (i) Solve the ODE by trialling $y(x) = x^\lambda$.
 - (ii) Use the Wronskian to prove that the solutions from part (i) are linearly independent.
- (b) Given $n = 0$, use reduction of order to find the general solution to the ODE.

Question 2 (15 marks)

- (a) Use the Weierstrass test to determine if the following series converges uniformly

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-n} \cos(1 + n\pi x)}{e^n}.$$

- (b) Consider

$$(1 - x^2)y''(x) - xy'(x) + y(x) = 0.$$

- (i) Solve the ODE using a power series expanded about $x = 0$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n.$$

- (ii) State the interval of convergence of any infinite series solutions you find.
- (iii) Suppose $y(0.2) = 1, y'(0.2) = 0$. Without solving the initial value problem (IVP), what is the largest interval in x in which a unique solution is guaranteed for the IVP?

Question 3 (15 marks)

Consider the following system of ODEs

$$\begin{aligned}x'(t) + 2x(t) - y(t) - 3 &= 0, & x(0) &= 0, \\y'(t) + 2y(t) - x(t) + 1 &= 0, & y(0) &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Convert the system into a vector-valued IVP.
- (b) Solve the system by matrix diagonalisation.

Question 4 (18 marks)

- (a) Find the inverse Laplace transform of

(i) $\frac{s+2}{s^2+2s+10}$

(ii) $\frac{1}{s(s^2+2s+10)}$

- (b) The displacement of a damped mass-spring system, $y(t)$, is governed by the ODE

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dt} + 10y = u(t) - u(t-5)$$

subject to

$$y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0.$$

- (i) Give an interpretation of the forcing term and the initial conditions.
- (ii) Use Laplace transform to solve for $y(t)$. Express your solution in explicit form.

Question 5 (13 marks)

Consider the function defined over $[-\pi, \pi]$.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -\cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) & -\pi \leq x < 0 \\ \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) & 0 \leq x \leq \pi. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Sketch $f(x)$.
- (b) Is $f(x)$ even, odd or neither?
- (c) Find $g(x)$, the Fourier series representation of $f(x) = f(x + 2\pi)$?
- (d) Given your answer to part (c):
 - (i) How do the Fourier coefficients in $g(x)$ decay for large n ?
 - (ii) Would you expect $g(x)$ to converge uniformly? Briefly explain your answer.
 - (iii) For which x in $[-\pi, \pi]$ does $g(x)$ exhibit Gibbs phenomenon? What is the error of the truncated Fourier approximation at this x value?
- (e) Consider the function

$h(x) = \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right), \quad x \in [-\pi, \pi].$
Without calculations, does the Fourier series of $h(x)$ converge uniformly?

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Question 6 (8 marks)

Consider the 1D wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, \quad x \in (-\infty, \infty), \quad t \in [0, \infty)$$

where

$$u(x, t) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as} \quad x \rightarrow \pm\infty$$

and

$$u(x, 0) = \delta_2(x) + \delta_{-2}(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_t u(x, 0) = 0.$$

- (a) From first principles, find the Fourier transform of
 - (i) $f(x) = \delta_2(x)$
 - (ii) $g(x) = \delta_{-2}(x)$
- (b) Use your results in part (a) to find the inverse Fourier transform of $\hat{h}(k) = \cos 2k$.
- (c) Find the IVP for the Fourier transform of u .
- (d) **Without calculations**, briefly describe the remaining steps to find u .

Question 7 (28 marks)

The temperature $u(r, \theta, t)$ of a metal semi-annulus plate is modelled by the heat equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}, \quad 1 < r < 2, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \quad t > 0.$$

- (a) Consider the *steady state* temperature $u(r, \theta)$ subject to the boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} u(r, 0) &= 0, & 1 < r < 2, \\ u(r, \pi) &= 0, & 1 < r < 2, \\ u(1, \theta) &= 0, & 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \\ u(2, \theta) &= \frac{\pi}{2} \sin 4\theta - \sin 7\theta, & 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi. \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Use separation of variables to show that the steady state heat equation reduces to:

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 R''(r) + r R'(r) - \lambda R(r) &= 0 \\ S''(\theta) + \lambda S(\theta) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ is the separation constant.

- (ii) Solve for $u(r, \theta)$. Assume that the cases $\lambda = 0$ and $\lambda < 0$ lead to trivial solutions: do not work through these cases. Also you may quote any relevant parts of your solution to Question 1 to avoid repeating any working.

- (b) The condition $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} = 0$ leads to a time-evolving temperature $u(r, t)$ governed by

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}, \quad 1 < r < 2, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi.$$

Assume all four boundaries of the annulus plate are insulated and the initial condition is

$$u(r, 0) = r, \quad 1 \leq r \leq 2.$$

- (i) Find the total heat of the annulus plate.
 (ii) **Without solving the governing PDE** for $u(r, t)$, sketch $u(r, t)$ versus r , $1 \leq r \leq 2$, $0 \leq t < \infty$ for the following four time states t :

$$0 < t_1 < t_2 < \lim t \rightarrow \infty.$$

- (c) Suppose the formal series solution $u(\theta, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(\theta, t)$ is a genuine solution to

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \quad t > 0.$$

Which of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(\theta, t)$ and its derivatives converge uniformly in the given domain?

End of Exam — Total Available Marks = 105

MAST20030 Differential Equations Formulae Sheet

1) Laplace Transforms

$$1. \quad f(t) \qquad (\mathcal{L}f)(s) = F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt \quad (\text{Definition of Transform})$$

$$2. \quad 1 \qquad \frac{1}{s}$$

$$3. \quad t^n \qquad \frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$$

$$4. \quad e^{at} \qquad \frac{1}{s-a}$$

$$5. \quad \sin(at) \qquad \frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$$

$$6. \quad \cos(at) \qquad \frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$$

$$7. \quad \sinh(at) \qquad \frac{a}{s^2 - a^2}$$

$$8. \quad \cosh(at) \qquad \frac{s}{s^2 - a^2}$$

$$9. \quad \delta(t-a) \qquad e^{-as} \quad (a \geq 0)$$

$$10. \quad f'(t) \qquad sF(s) - f(0)$$

$$11. \quad f''(t) \qquad s^2F(s) - sf(0) - f'(0)$$

$$12. \quad f^{(n)}(t) \qquad s^n F(s) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} s^{n-1-k} f^{(k)}(0)$$

$$13. \quad \int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau \qquad \frac{F(s)}{s}$$

$$14. \quad e^{-at}f(t) \qquad F(s+a) \qquad (\text{s-Shifting Theorem})$$

$$15. \quad f(t-a)u(t-a) \qquad e^{-as}F(s) \qquad (a > 0, \text{ t-Shifting Theorem})$$

$$16. \quad \int_0^t f(\tau)g(t-\tau)d\tau \qquad F(s)G(s) \qquad (\text{Convolution})$$

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2) **Standard Limits**

$$(i) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^p} = 0 \quad (p > 0)$$

$$(ii) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r^n = 0 \quad (|r| < 1)$$

$$(iii) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} = 1 \quad (a > 0)$$

$$(iv) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/n} = 1$$

$$(v) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a^n}{n!} = 0 \quad (\text{all } a)$$

$$(vi) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log_e n}{n^p} = 0 \quad (p > 0)$$

$$(vii) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a}{n}\right)^n = e^a \quad (\text{all } a)$$

$$(viii) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^p}{a^n} = 0 \quad (\text{all } p, a > 1)$$

3) **The Generalised Harmonic Series (p -Series)**

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p} \quad \text{is} \quad \begin{cases} \text{convergent} & \text{if } p > 1 \\ \text{divergent} & \text{if } p \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

4) **Geometric Series**

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n \quad \text{is} \quad \begin{cases} \text{convergent} & \text{if } |r| < 1 \\ \text{divergent} & \text{if } |r| \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

5) **Fourier Series Formulae**

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos k_n x + b_n \sin k_n x), \quad k_n = \frac{n\pi}{L}$$

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

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos k_n x dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin k_n x dx$$

6) **Fourier Transforms Formulae**

$$\hat{f}(k) = (\mathcal{F}f)(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

$$f(x) = (\mathcal{F}^{-1}\hat{f})(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) e^{ikx} dk$$

$$\frac{d^n f}{dx^n} = (ik)^n \hat{f}(k), \quad x^n f(x) = i^n \frac{d^n \hat{f}}{dk^n}$$

7) Trigonometric and Hyperbolic Formulae

$$\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1$$

$$\cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x = 1$$

$$1 + \tan^2 x = \sec^2 x$$

$$1 - \tanh^2 x = \operatorname{sech}^2 x$$

$$\cot^2 x + 1 = \operatorname{cosec}^2 x$$

$$\coth^2 x - 1 = \operatorname{cosech}^2 x$$

$$\sin(x + y) = \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y$$

$$\sinh(x + y) = \sinh x \cosh y + \cosh x \sinh y$$

$$\cos(x + y) = \cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y$$

$$\cosh(x + y) = \cosh x \cosh y + \sinh x \sinh y$$

$$\sin x \sin y = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(x - y) - \cos(x + y)]$$

$$\sinh x \sinh y = \frac{1}{2} [\cosh(x + y) - \cosh(x - y)]$$

$$\cos x \cos y = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(x - y) + \cos(x + y)]$$

$$\cosh x \cosh y = \frac{1}{2} [\cosh(x + y) + \cosh(x - y)]$$

$$\sin x \cos y = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(x - y) + \sin(x + y)]$$

$$\sinh x \cosh y = \frac{1}{2} [\sinh(x + y) + \sinh(x - y)]$$

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2i} (e^{ix} - e^{-ix})$$

$$\sinh x = \frac{1}{2} (e^x - e^{-x})$$

$$\cos x = \frac{1}{2} (e^{ix} + e^{-ix})$$

$$\cosh x = \frac{1}{2} (e^x + e^{-x})$$

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