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1. (10%) Laplace Transform and Convolution

Use the Laplace transform to solve the integral equation

$$f(t) = \cos t + \int_0^t e^{-\tau} f(t - \tau) d\tau$$

Solution: $f(t) = \cos t + \sin t$

2. (10%) Dirac Delta Function

Use the Laplace transform to solve the initial-value problem

$$y'' + 2y' + y = \delta(t - 1), \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0$$

Solution: $y = (t-1)e^{-(t-1)}\mathcal{U}(t-1)$

3. (10%) Repeated Eigenvalues

Solve the initial-value problem

$$\mathbf{X}' = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}, \quad \mathbf{X}(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution: $\mathbf{X}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -4te^{3(t-1)} + 5e^{3(t-1)} \\ 4te^{3(t-1)} - e^{3(t-1)} \end{pmatrix}$

4. (10%) Variation of Parameters

Solve the initial-value problem

$$\mathbf{X}' = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} - \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} t e^{-2t}, \quad \mathbf{X}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

using variation of parameters

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Solution:
$$\mathbf{X}(t) = \frac{1}{14} \begin{pmatrix} (6+28t-7t^2)e^{-2t}+92e^{5t} \\ (-4+14t+21t^2)e^{-2t}+46e^{5t} \end{pmatrix}$$

5. (10%) Matrix Exponential

Use the Laplace transform to compute $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$ for

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

Solution:
$$\frac{1}{7} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-2t} + 6e^{5t} & -2e^{-2t} + 2e^{5t} \\ -3e^{-2t} + 3e^{5t} & 6e^{-2t} + e^{5t} \end{pmatrix}$$

6. (10%) Improved Euler's Method

Use the improved Euler's method to obtain a two-decimal approximation of the indicated value with the interval h=0.1.

$$y' = 4x - 2y$$
, $y(0) = 2$; $y(0.2)$

Solution:
$$y(0.2) = 1.41$$
 (or 1.42)

7. (10%) Orthogonal Functions

Show the given functions are orthogonal

$$f_1(x) = e^x, f_2(x) = xe^{-x} - e^{-x}$$

on the interval [0, 2].

Solution: The students should verify $\int_0^2 e^x (xe^{-x} - e^{-x}) dx = 0$

8. (10%) Fourier Series Expansion

Expand the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & -1 \le x < 0 \\ x, & 0 \le x < 1 \end{cases}$$

in a Fourier series.

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Solution:
$$\frac{3}{4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-1 + (-1)^n}{n^2 \pi^2} \cos n \pi x - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \pi} \sin n \pi x$$

9. (10%) Sturm-Liouville Problem

Find the eigenvalues and and associated eigenfunctions of the Sturm-Liouville problem

$$y'' + \lambda y = 0, \quad (0 < x < L)$$

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

Solution: Eigenvalues:
$$\lambda_n = \frac{(2n-1)^2\pi^2}{4L^2}$$
, eigenfunctions: $y_n(x) = \cos\frac{(2n-1)\pi x}{2L}$ for $n=1,2,3,\cdots$

10. (10%) Partial Differential Equation

Use separation of variables to solve the partial differential equation

$$y\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + x\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$$

Solution:
$$u(x,y) = ce^{\lambda(x^2 - y^2)/2}$$

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