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FINAL EXAMINATION

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- 7 1. Find the open interval of convergence for the power series

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n2^n} x^{2n}$$

Express your answer in the form  $a < x < b$  for appropriate values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

$$\rightarrow -\sqrt{2} < x < \sqrt{2}$$

- 10 2. Find the Maclaurin series for the function

$$f(x) = x \ln(1 + 2x).$$

Write your final answer in sigma notation, simplified as much as possible. What is the radius of convergence of the series?

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

- 8 3. Find the Taylor series about  $x = 1$  for the function

$$f(x) = \frac{5}{4+x}.$$

Express your answer in sigma notation, simplified as much as possible. What is the interval of convergence of the series?

$$\rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{5^n} (x-1)^n$$

$|x-1| < 5 = R$   
 $-4 < x \leq 6$

- 10 4. (a) Find a series of constants whose sum is the value of the definite integral

$$\int_0^{1/2} \frac{x - \sin x}{x^3} dx.$$

Write the series in sigma notation.

- (b) Explain how you would use the series to find an approximation to the integral with four decimal accuracy. Do NOT find the approximation; just explain the steps that you would follow.

$$\rightarrow \text{Ans: a) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^{2n-1} (2n-1)(2n+1)!}$$

b) Since the series is alternating whose terms are decreasing and approach zero, Compute the partial sums till consecutive ones round off to the same four decimal number.

Ans:  $Ax^3 + Bx^2 + (Cx + D)e^{-3x}$

- 5 6. You are given that the roots of the auxiliary equation associated with the linear, differential equation

$$\phi(D)y = 2x - 3xe^{-3x}$$

are  $m = \pm 2, 0, 0$ . Write down the form of a particular solution of the differential equation as predicted by the method of undetermined coefficients. Do NOT find the coefficients, just the form of the particular solution.

- 8 5. Find a one-parameter family of solutions for the differential equation

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} = xe^{x^3} - 2y.$$

Write your solution in explicit form. Can you claim that your solution is a general solution of the differential equation? Explain.

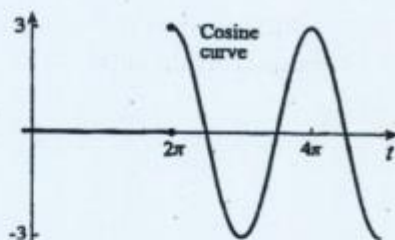
$\rightarrow y = \frac{1}{3x^2} e^{x^3} + \frac{C}{x^2}$

$\rightarrow$  yes, DE is linear

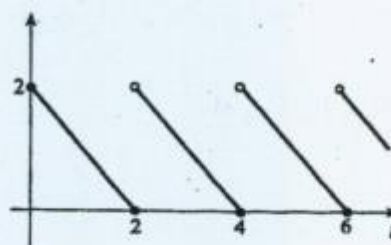
- 16 7. (a) A 200 gram mass hangs motionless on the end of a spring with constant 100 N/m. From this position, the mass is given speed 2 m/s downward at time  $t = 0$ . During its subsequent motion, the mass is acted upon by a damping force whose magnitude in Newtons is 4 times its velocity in metres per second. In addition, a force  $F(t) = 5 \sin \omega t$  N acts on the mass. Find the position of the mass as a function of time.  
(b) Is it possible to choose  $\omega$  so that the mass will experience unbounded oscillations? Explain.

- 12 8. Find Laplace transforms for the functions shown below:

(a)



(b)



$\rightarrow -3 e^{-\lambda \tau s} \left( \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} \right)$

$\rightarrow \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2s}} \left[ \frac{2}{s} - \frac{1}{s^2} + e^{-2s} \left( \frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{4}{s} \right) \right]$

- 12 10. Solve the following initial value problem

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 15y = 4\delta(t - 2), \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = -1.$$

$\rightarrow y = 4h(t-2) \left[ \frac{1}{2} e^{-5(t-2)} + \frac{1}{2} e^{3(t-2)} \right] + \frac{1}{2} e^{-5t} + \frac{1}{2} e^{3t}$