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Module Name: Linear Algebra & Differential Equations

[Three hours]

[Answer all questions, each question carries 12 marks]

Q1. a) Suppose that in winter the day time temperature in a certain office building is maintained at 70 °F. The heating is shut off at 10 p.m. and turned on again at 6 a.m. On a certain day the temperature inside the building at 2 a.m. was found to be 65 °F. The outside temperature was 50 °F at 10 a.m. and had dropped to 40 °F by 6 a.m. What was the temperature inside the building when the heat was turned on at 6 a.m.?

You may assume that, if $T(t)$ is the temperature inside the building and T_A the outside temperature (Assumed to be constant in Newton's law), then the time rate of change of the temperature T is proportional to the difference between T and T_A are given by

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = k(T - T_A),$$

and T_A is the average temperature varying from 50 °F and 40 °F.

[3 Marks]

b) Find an integrating factor of $(e^{x+y} + ye^y)dx + (xe^y - 1)dy = 0$ and hence, solve the problem when $y(0) = -1$.

[2 Marks]

c) What is meant by

i. an ordinary point

ii. a regular singular point of a differential equation of the form

$$P(x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + Q(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + R(x)y = F(x)$$

[2 Marks]

d) i. Show that infinity is a regular singular point of the differential equation

$$2x^2(x - 1) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3x(x - 1) \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = 0$$

ii. Solve the above differential equation about the infinity.

[5 Marks]

- Q2. a) i. Define an irrotational field.
 ii. Show that $\mathbf{F} = y(z - 2x)\mathbf{i} - x(x - z)\mathbf{j} + xy\mathbf{k}$ is an irrotational field and hence, find the scalar potential of \mathbf{F} .
 iii. Suppose particle of constant mass m is moving in a conservative force field $\mathbf{F} = \nabla\phi$. If A and B are any two points in space and v_A and v_B are the magnitudes of the velocities of the particle at A and B respectively, prove that

$$\phi(A) - \phi(B) = \frac{1}{2}m(v_A^2 - v_B^2)$$

[5 Marks]

- b) If $\mathbf{F} = (2y + 3)\mathbf{i} + xz\mathbf{j} + (yz - x)\mathbf{k}$, evaluate $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ along each of the following path C .
 i. $x = 2t^2, y = t, z = t^2$ from $t = 0$ to $t = 1$.
 ii. The straight lines from $(0,0,0)$ to $(0,0,1)$ then to $(0,1,1)$ and then to $(2,1,1)$.

[4 Marks]

- c) If $\mathbf{A} = (x - y)\mathbf{i} - xz\mathbf{j} + 2y\mathbf{k}$, evaluate $\int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} \, dv$, where V is the closed region bounded by the planes $x = 0, y = 0, z = 0$ and $x + 2y + 2z = 4$.

[3 Marks]

- Q3. a) State
 i. The divergence theorem
 ii. Stockes' theorem.

[2 Marks]

- b) Let V be a volume bounded by a closed surface S . Prove that

$$\iiint_V \nabla\phi \, dV = \iint_S \phi \mathbf{n} \, dS,$$

where ϕ is a scalar function and \mathbf{n} is the outward unit normal vector.

[3 Marks]

- c) If S is the surface $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ and $\mathbf{A} = 2x\mathbf{i} + 3y\mathbf{j} + 4z\mathbf{k}$, use divergence theorem to evaluate $\iint \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dS$.

[3 Marks]

- d) If $\mathbf{B} = 2(x + 1)\mathbf{i} - z\mathbf{j} + (y + z)\mathbf{k}$, use stockes' theorem to evaluate $\iint_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot d\mathbf{S}$, where S is the surface of the cylinder which is open from the top and bounded by the surfaces $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ and xy plane.

Note that \mathbf{n} be the outward unit normal to the given surface.

[4 Marks]

Q4. a) Let V be a vector space over the field F . Explain what is meant by

- i. S is a linearly independent set of V .
- ii. S a spanning set of V .

[2 Marks]

b) State whether each of the following is true or false. Justify your answers.

- i. $W = \{(x, y); x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}, x + y = 0\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 under the usual addition and scalar multiplication.
- ii. If $U = \{(x, 0, z); x, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$ and $W = \{(x, y, 0); x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$, $U \cup W$ is a subspace of V .
- iii. $S = \{(1, 0, 2, 1), (1, -1, 1, 0), (2, -1, 3, 1), (1, 1, 3, 2)\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 .
- iv. $S = \{(1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 1)\}$ is a spanning set of \mathbb{R}^2

[6 Marks]

c) Let U and W be subspaces of \mathbb{R}^4 generated by the following two sets S and T respectively, here,

$$S = \{(2, 1, -1, 2), (1, 0, 1, 0), (1, 1, -2, 2), (0, -1, 3, -2)\} \text{ and}$$

$$T = \{(1, -1, 0, -2), (1, 2, -1, 4), (1, -2, 3, -4), (0, 1, -3, 2)\}$$

Find the dimensions of U , W , $U + W$ and $U \cap W$.

[4 Marks]

Q5. a) Briefly explain

- i. Image and Kernel
 - ii. Rank and Nullity
- of a linear transformation.

[2 Marks]

b) Let $T_A: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear transformation where,

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

Find bases and dimensions of the Kernel and the Image of T_A .

Verify that

$$\dim(\mathbb{R}^4) = \text{rank}(T_A) + \text{nullity}(T_A)$$

[4 Marks]

c) i. Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the following matrix A .

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

ii. Diagonalize the above matrix A .

[6 Marks]