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**EMG 1201; EMN 1201**

**Examination Paper**

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**Time Allowed:** 3 hours  
**Total Marks:** 100  
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**INSTRUCTIONS**

Candidates should answer **ALL** questions in Section A and attempt **ANY TWO** questions in Section B.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Scientific calculator

## SECTION A (40 marks)

Answer ALL questions from this section.

**A1.** (i) Define

(a) Initial-value problem [2]

(b) Partial differential equation [2]

(c) Linear nth-order ordinary differential equation [2]

(ii) Find the general solution

$$xy' = 2y + x^3 e^x$$

[4]

**A2.** (i) Solve  $y'' - 2y' + y = e^x$  [5]

(ii) A mass  $m$  is free to move along a plane and is subject to a spring force  $-k^2x$ , a friction force  $-bx''$ , and an external force  $F(t)$  as indicated in figure 1. For this system,  $m = 1$ ,  $b = 4$ ,  $k^2 = 20$ ,  $F(t) = 0$ ,  $x(0) = 5$ , and  $x'(0) = 10$ . Formulate and solve an initial value problem to model the system. Interpret your results. [5]

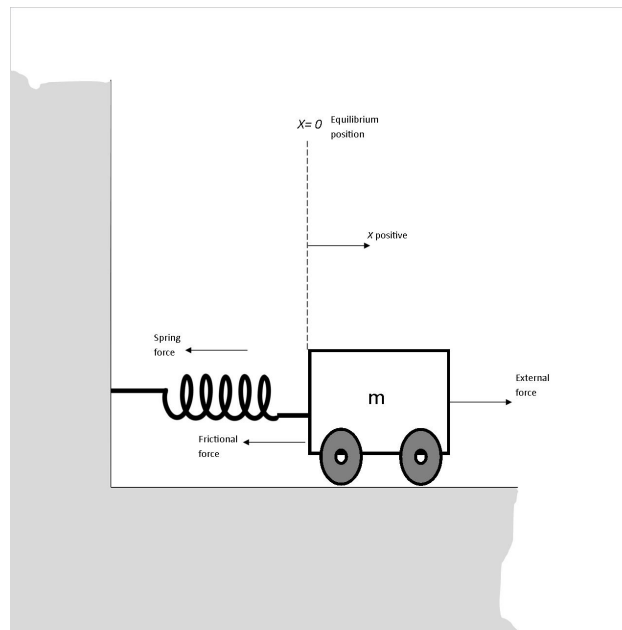


Figure 1:

**A3.** (i) Find the general solution of the following simultaneous p.d.e.s

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x + \sin y - ye^{-x}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = x \cos y + \cos y + e^{-x}$$

[5]

(ii) Find the Fourier whole range series for  $f(x) = 2x - 1$  on  $0 \leq x \leq 2$ . [5]

**A4.** (i) Evaluate  $L^{-1} \left( \frac{s^2+6s+9}{(s-1)(s-2)(s+4)} \right)$  [5]

(ii) Use the Laplace transform to solve

$$y'' - 4y = 3e^{-t} \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = -1$$

[5]

**SECTION B (60 marks) Answer ANY TWO questions from this section.**

**B5.** (i) Define an Explicit solution. [2]

(ii) Solve

(a)  $y \ln x \frac{dx}{dy} = \left(\frac{y+1}{x}\right)^2$  [4]

(b)  $(1 + \ln x + \frac{y}{x}) dx = (1 + \ln x) dy$  [4]

(c)  $y'' + 2y' + y = 0, y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 3.$  [3]

(iii) A mass of 40 g stretches a spring 10 cm. A damping device imparts a resistance to motion numerically equal to 560 times the instantaneous velocity. Find the equation of free motion if the mass is released from the equilibrium position with a downward velocity of 2  $cm s^{-1}$ . [5]

(iv) Consider an *RLC*-circuit modeled by

$$LI'' + RI' + \frac{1}{C}I = E'(t) = E_0\omega \cos \omega t$$

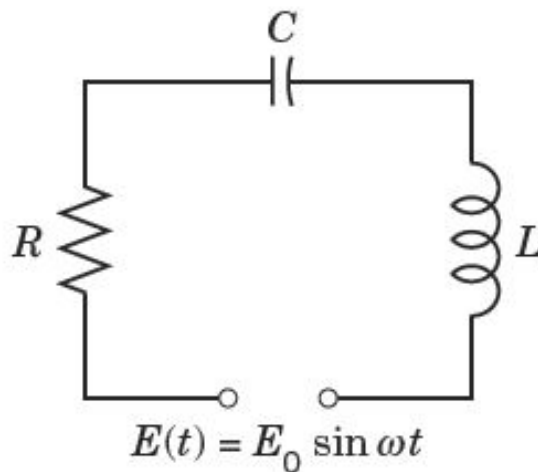


Figure 2: RLC-circuit

(a) Find the current  $I(t)$  in an *RLC*-circuit with  $R = 11 \Omega$  (ohms),  $L = 0.1 H$  (henry),  $C = 10^{-2} F$  (farad), which is connected to a source of EMF  $E(t) = 110 \sin(60 \cdot 2\pi t) = 110 \sin 377t$  (hence 60 Hz = 60 cycles/sec). Assume that current and capacitor charge are 0 when  $t = 0$ . [10]

(b) Sketch the graph of current  $I$  against time  $t$ . [2]

**B6.** (i) Show that  $u(x, y) = y^2 - x^2$  and  $u(x, y) = e^y \sin x$  are solutions to Laplace's equation  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ . [3]

(ii) Use the separation of variables to solve

(a)  $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$  [5]

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(b)} \quad & \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \text{ given} \\
& u(0, y) = u(10, y) = 0 \\
& u(x, 0) = 5 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) - 3 \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{2}\right) \\
& \frac{\partial u(x, 0)}{\partial y} = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

- (iii) Consider a long thin copper bar of constant cross section and homogenous material, which is oriented along the  $x$ -axis as shown in Figure 3 and is perfectly insulated laterally, so that the heat flows in the  $x$ -direction only and is modeled by a one-dimensional heat equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

where  $c^2 = K/(\sigma\rho)$ ,  $u(x, 0) = f(x)$  is the initial condition and the boundary conditions are given by  $u(0, t) = 0$ ,  $u(L, t) = 0$ , for all  $t \geq 0$ .



Figure 3: Copper bar

- (a) Show that the general solution of the heat equation is given by

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} e^{\lambda^2 t} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

. where  $\lambda = \frac{cn\pi}{L}$ . State initial conditions in-terms of  $\sin$ ,  $B_n$ ,  $n$ ,  $\pi$  and  $x$ . [8]

- (b) Find the temperature  $u(x, t)$  in a laterally insulated copper bar 80 cm long if the initial temperature is  $100 \sin(\pi x/80)^\circ C$  and the ends are kept at  $0^\circ C$ . How long will it take for the maximum temperature in the bar to drop to  $50^\circ C$ ? (Physical data for copper: density  $\rho$   $8.92 \text{ gcm}^{-3}$ , specific heat  $\sigma$   $0.092 \text{ cal}/(g^\circ C)$ , thermal conductivity  $K$   $0.95 \text{ cal}/(\text{cms}^\circ C)$ ) [6]

- B7.** (i) Find the fourier series of

$$\text{(a)} \quad f(x) = 1 - |x|, \quad -3 \leq x \leq 3, \quad f(x + 6) = f(x) \tag{5}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad f(x) = x, \quad 0 < x < 1 \tag{6}$$

- (ii) Find the transform of

$$f(x) = H(x - 2)e^{-kx} \tag{6}$$

- (iii) A rectifier is an electrical component that converts alternating current (AC) to direct current (DC). Half-wave rectifier can be used as a voltage multiplier. A sinusoidal voltage  $M \sin \omega t$ , where  $t$  is time, is passed through a half-wave rectifier that clips the negative portion of the wave.

Find the Fourier series of the resulting periodic function

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & -L < t < 0, \\ M \sin \omega t & 0 < t < L \end{cases}$$

where  $p = 2L = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$ ,  $L = \frac{\pi}{\omega}$  [13]

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**