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FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

MATHEMATICS

COURSE CODE: MAA 314

COURSE TITLE: METHODS I

DATE: 13/01/2022

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Questions ONE and Any other TWO

QUESTION ONE [30MKS]

- a. Show that $\Gamma(x+1) = \Gamma(x)$ (3mks)
- b. Determine $L^{-1} \left\{ \frac{4s^2 - 5s + 6}{(s+1)(s^2 + 4)} \right\}$ (5mks)
- c. Obtain half range cosine series to represent the function $f(x) = 2x$ defined over $0 < x < \pi$ for $f(x+2\pi) = f(x)$ (6mks)
- d. Show that if $z = \frac{x}{y} \ln y$, then $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x}$ (3mks)
- e. Use special functions to evaluate (4mks)

$$\int_0^1 x^4 (1-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx$$
- f. Find the singular point for $2x^2 y'' - xy' + (1-x)y = 0$ and show if the equation can be solved using Frobenius method. (4mks)
- g. Find the 1st three nonzero terms for the Legendre series (5mks)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0; & -1 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1; & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

QUESTION TWO [20MKS]

- a. Evaluate $\int_0^1 \ln \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} dx$ (4mks)
- b. Prove that $B(m, n) = \frac{\Gamma m \Gamma n}{\Gamma(m+n)}$ (6mks)
- c. solve the Legendre's differential equation $(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 6y = 0$ (10mks)

QUESTION THREE

- a. Transform the following differential equation into a Legendre equation by letting $x = \cos \theta$ (7mks)
- b. Derive the duplication formula and use it to find $\Gamma(3\frac{1}{2})$ (6mks)
- c. Find the solution of $\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = 0$ (7mks)

QUESTION FOUR [20MKS]

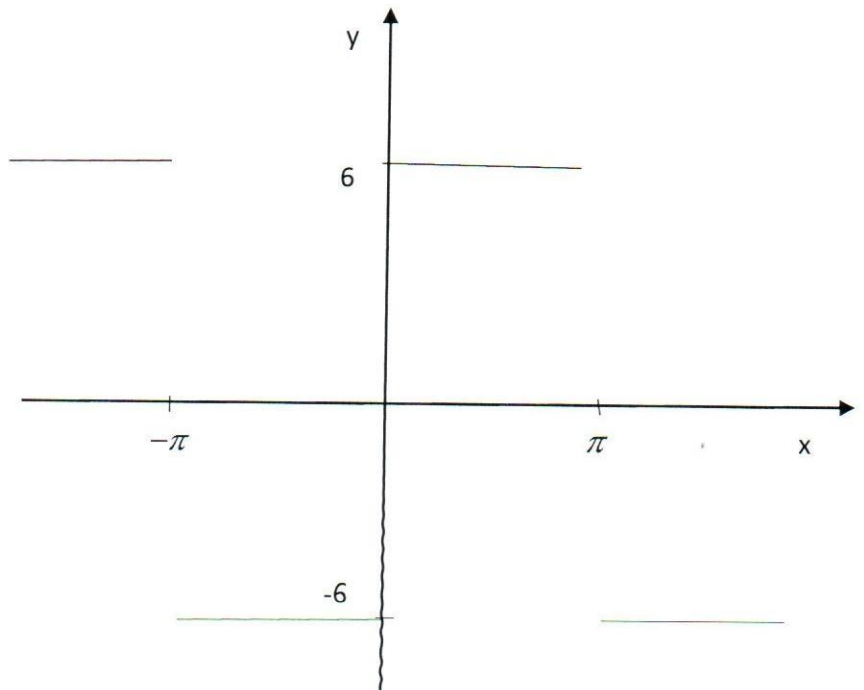
- a. Evaluate $\int_0^\infty \sqrt{z} e^{-z^3} dz$ (3mks)
- b. Use Laplace transform to solve (7mks)

i. $3\dot{x} - 4x = \sin 2t$ at $t = 0$, $x = \frac{1}{3}$

c. Find the general solution of the equation

$$9x^2 y'' + 9xy' + (9x^2 - \frac{1}{4})y = 0 \quad (5\text{mks})$$

d. Find the Fourier series for the given function. (5mks)



QUESTION FIVE [20MKS]

a. Prove that $J_{\frac{1}{2}}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin x$ (5mks)

b. Expand the following functions in Legendre series $f(x) = P_3'(x)$ (5mks)

c. Solve the differential equation following using the power series (10mks)

$$y' - 2xy = 0$$