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SECTION A

1. Write down the Taylor series about  $x = 1$  for the function

$$f(x) = \ln x.$$

State whether this Taylor series is equal to  $f(x)$  for:

a)  $x = 3$ ,                      b)  $x = 1.5$ . [5 marks]

2. Find the general solutions of the following differential equations:

(i)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0$ ,

(ii)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = x$ .

[7 marks]

3. Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 5 \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = 0$$

with the initial conditions  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = 2$ .

[6 marks]

4. Show, by taking limits along two different paths to the origin  $(0, 0)$ , that

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$$

does not exist.

[4 marks]

5. For

$$f(x, y) = e^{x^2 - y^2} \sin(2xy),$$

verify that

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

[9 marks]

6. Find the tangent plane and normal line at the point  $(1, 1, 1)$  to the surface

$$2x^2y + y^2z - xz^2 = 2.$$

[6 marks]

7. Locate and classify all stationary points of the function

$$f(x, y) = 2y^3 - 6xy + x^2.$$

[8 marks]

8. Find the linear approximation near  $(x, y) = (1, 0)$  to the function

$$f(x, y) = \ln(x^2 + y^2).$$

[4 marks]

9. Let  $T$  be the triangle in the plane bounded by the lines

$$y = 0, \quad x = 0, \quad x + y = 1.$$

Work out the double integral

$$\int \int_T (x - y) dx dy.$$

You may change the order of integration if you prefer.

[6 marks]

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SECTION B

**10.** Let  $f(y) = (1 + y)^{-1/2}$ . Find the Taylor polynomial  $P_2(y)$  near  $y = 0$  and the associated error term  $R_2(y)$ . Hence, or otherwise, show that, for any  $x$ ,

$$\left| (1 + x^2)^{-1/2} - P_2(x^2) \right| \leq \frac{5x^6}{16}.$$

Now work out

$$\int_0^{1/3} P_2(x^2) dx$$

and compare the answer with  $\ln((1 + \sqrt{10})/3)$ , worked out on your calculator. Explain why you expect the two answers to be close, by working out

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln(x + \sqrt{1 + x^2}))$$

or otherwise.

[15 marks]

**11.** Solve the following differential equations with the given boundary conditions:

(i)

$$y'' + y = x$$

with  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = -1$ ,

(ii)

$$y'' + y = e^x$$

with  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = -1$ .

[15 marks]

**12.** Find the minimum distance from the origin  $(0, 0, 0)$  to the surface

$$g(x, y, z) = 4xy - 3y^2 + 2z^2 = 1$$

[Hint: consider the function  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ .]

[15 marks]

**13.** Find the centre of mass of the plane triangle bounded by the lines

$$x = 0, \quad y = 0, \quad 2x + y = 1,$$

where mass is uniformly distributed.

[15 marks]