

2007 Schol exam, three hours, do six.

1. Calculate

$$\int_S dS(x+y+z)$$

for S the portion of the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ where x, y and z are all positive.

2. (a) What is the Jacobian? In two-dimensions calculate the Jacobian

$$dxdy = Jd\theta dr$$

where x and y are the usual Cartesian coördinates and r and θ the usual polar coördinates.

- (b) Calculate

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-ax^2+bx-c} = \sqrt{\pi}$$

where a, b and c are real constants and a is positive.

3. State carefully the Gauß divergence theorem. Use it to show

$$\int \int \int_V dV [\phi \Delta \psi - \psi \Delta \phi] = \int \int_{\delta V} [\phi \nabla \psi - \psi \nabla \phi] \cdot \mathbf{b} f dS$$

For $\mathbf{A} = -2x^2\mathbf{i} + 4y\mathbf{j} + z^2\mathbf{k}$ evaluate $\int_S \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$ where S is the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ with $0 \leq z \leq 1$ and $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$ with $z = 0$ or $z = 1$, that is, the cylinder with both ends included.

4. Show that for a vector field \mathbf{F}

$$\text{curl curl } \mathbf{F} = \text{grad div } \mathbf{F} - \Delta \mathbf{F}$$

Show that the equations

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div } \mathbf{H} &= 0 \\ \text{div } \mathbf{E} &= 0 \\ \text{curl } \mathbf{H} &= \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \\ \text{curl } \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

for the time dependent vector fields $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ and $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ are satisfied by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H} &= \text{curl } \frac{\partial \mathbf{Z}}{\partial t} \\ \mathbf{E} &= \text{curl curl } \mathbf{Z} \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ satisfies

$$\Delta \mathbf{Z} = \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{Z}}{\partial t^2}.$$

You may quote the formulas $\text{curl grad } \phi = 0$ for scalar field ϕ and $\text{div curl } \mathbf{F} = 0$ for vector field \mathbf{F} .

5. The Fourier series relies on the orthogonality of the sine and cosine functions; other, similar expansions can be defined using other sets of orthonormal functions. In digital signal processing the Walsh functions $W_n(t)$ are commonly used. On the interval $[0, T]$ the first four Walsh functions are

$$\begin{aligned} W_0(t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \\ W_1(t) &= \begin{cases} 1/\sqrt{T} & t \in [0, T/2) \\ -1/\sqrt{T} & t \in [T/2, T] \end{cases} \\ W_2(t) &= \begin{cases} 1/\sqrt{T} & t \in [0, T/4) \cup (3T/4, T] \\ -1/\sqrt{T} & t \in [T/4, 3T/4) \end{cases} \\ W_3(t) &= \begin{cases} 1/\sqrt{T} & t \in [0, T/8) \cup (3T/8, 5T/8) \cup (7T/8, T] \\ -1/\sqrt{T} & t \in [T/8, 3T/8) \cup (5T/8, 7T/8) \end{cases} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Plot graphs of the functions W_0, W_1, W_2 and W_3 and demonstrate the orthonormality relation

$$\int_0^T dt W_a(t) W_b(t) = \delta_{ab}$$

for a and b less than four.

- (b) Define $W_a(t)$ so that they satisfy orthonormality relation for all a . Find c_a for the Fourier-Walsh expansion of a function $f(t)$:

$$f(t) = \sum_{a=0}^{\infty} c_a W_a(t)$$

6. Write the triangular pulse

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} At/T + A & -T < t < 0 \\ -At/T + A & 0 < t < T \\ 0 & |t| > T \end{cases}$$

as a Fourier integral.

7. The convolution of two functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ is defined as

$$f \star g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\sigma f(\sigma)g(x - \sigma) \quad (2)$$

If $h(x) = f \star g(x)$ show that the Fourier coefficient

$$\widetilde{h(k)} = 2\pi \widetilde{f(k)}\widetilde{g(k)} \quad (3)$$

where $\widetilde{f(k)}$ and $\widetilde{g(k)}$ are the Fourier coefficients of $f(x)$ and $g(x)$.

8. Solve the Euler-Cauchy equation

$$x^2 y'' + 3xy' + y = 0.$$