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Final-Exam

- 1. The potential at the surface of a sphere (radius R) is given by $V_0 = k\cos^3(\theta)$, where k is a constant. Find the potential inside and outside the sphere.
- 2. Find the Laplacian for the following coordinate system, then do separation of variables.

$$x = uvcos\phi$$

$$y = uvsin\phi$$

$$z = \frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2)$$

3. Given

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } 0 \le \mathbf{x} \le 1\\ 2 - x & \text{if } 1 \le \mathbf{x} \le 2\\ 0 & \text{if } 2 \le \mathbf{x} \end{cases}$$

Find the cosine transformation and evaluate the following integral

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha/2}{\alpha^2} d\alpha$$

4. Given

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \delta(x - a/2) & \text{if } 0 \le x \le a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Write the function as a linear combination of the complete set $\phi_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} sin(\frac{n\pi x}{a})$

5. Prove the following vector identity:

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \phi \times \nabla \psi) = 0$$

Both ϕ and ψ are scalar functions

- 6. Find out if the following functions are analytical or not, also find if they are harmonic or not.
 - (a) $f(z) = \frac{iz}{|z|^2}$
 - (b) f(z) = ln(z)
- 7. Use Cauchy's theorem to evaluate the following integral:

$$\oint_C \frac{e^{3z}}{(z-\ln 2)^4} dz$$

where C is a square with vertices $\pm 1, \pm i$

8. Given the following generating function of $D_n(x)$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n(x)t^n = \frac{1 - tx}{1 - 2tx + t^2}$$

- (a) Find $D_n(x)$ for n = 0 and 1
- (b) Prove the following recurrence relation

$$D_{n+1}(x) = 2xD_n(x) - D_{n-1}(x)$$

(c) Are these polynomials orthogonal. Justify your answer