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**ME G535 Advanced Engineering Mathematics**  
**End-sem Exam (open notes)**

**1st December, 2015**

Max. marks - 40      Duration:- min 180 min.

1. [2+3+1=6 marks]

A particle of mass  $m$  which is constrained to move in the  $x$ - $y$  plane (refer to Fig. 1), and is restrained by two linear springs, each with spring constant of  $k$ . The anchor points of the two springs are located on the  $x$  axis at  $x = -1$  and  $x = 1$ . Each of the two springs has unstretched length  $L$ .

- Derive the Lagrangian for the system.
- Using the Lagrangian, derive equations governing motion of the particle.
- Describe mathematically equations so obtained.

2. [6 marks]

Prove the following using indicial notation.

$$\nabla^2 \left( \nabla (\nabla \cdot (\omega \times r)) \right) = \nabla (\nabla \cdot \nabla^2 (\omega \times r)) = \nabla \left( \nabla \cdot \left( \nabla (\nabla \cdot (\omega \times r)) \right) \right)$$

3. [1+2+2=5 marks]

Consider Bessel's equation

$$y'' + \frac{1}{x}y' + \left(1 - \frac{\nu^2}{x^2}\right)y = 0.$$

- Is  $x = 0$  a singular point or not? If so, is it regular singular or not?
- Choose the method accordingly to find at least one independent solution to the equation for  $\nu = 1/2$ .
- Repeat the above for  $\nu = 0$ .

4. [1+3 = 4 marks]

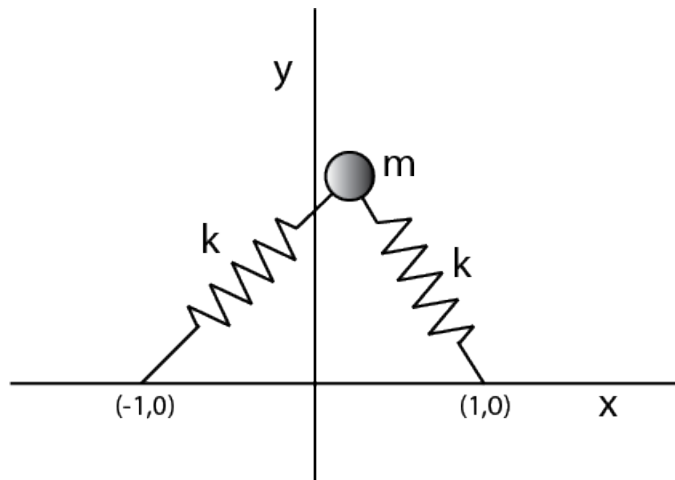


Figure 1: A particle in a plane

- (a) Plot a graph of  $x^{1/x}$  over  $(0, \infty)$ .  
 (b) Using the graph, get at least one solution to  $x^y = y^x$ .
5. [1+1+1 = 3 marks]

A vectorial invariant for a SOT  $T_{ij}$  is defined as

$$T_{\times} = T_{ij} e_i \times e_j.$$

Find the vectorial invariant of the following SOTs

- (a)  $\delta_{ij}$ ,  
 (b)  $T_{ij}$  if  $T_{ij} = T_{ji}$ ,  
 (c)  $a_i b_j - a_j b_i$ .

6. [4 marks]

Prove Euler's theorem of 3D rotations: The most general displacement of a rigid body about one point fixed is rotation about some axis passing through that point.

7. [4 marks]

Starting with

$$\epsilon_{ij,kl} + \epsilon_{kl,ij} - \epsilon_{ik,jl} - \epsilon_{jl,ik},$$

derive Mitchell-Beltrami compatibility equations

$$T_{ij,kk} + \frac{1}{1+\nu} T_{pp,ij} = -\frac{\nu}{1-\nu} \delta_{ij} (\rho b_j)_{,j} - (\rho b_i)_{,j} - (\rho b_j)_{,i}.$$

8. [3 marks]

If

$$f(x) + f\left(\frac{x-1}{x}\right) = 1 + x,$$

find  $f(x)$ .

9. [3 marks]

Using Gram-Schmidt procedure, construct an orthonormal basis for vectors

$$w_1 = \{1 \ 1 \ -1\}^T, \quad w_2 = \{1 \ 0 \ 2\}^T, \quad w_3 = \{2 \ -2 \ 3\}^T.$$

10. [2 marks]

Plot actual error and estimated truncation error for a centered difference approximation to  $\frac{d}{dx} \sin(x)$  at  $x = 1$ .