

Solutions to 2004 MathII Exam Paper

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Section A

1 $\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r \cos \theta \hat{i} + r \sin \theta \hat{j} + z \hat{k})$

$= \cos \theta \hat{i} + \sin \theta \hat{j}$

$|\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial r}| = h_r = \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta} = 1$

$\hat{e}_r = \frac{1}{h_r} \left(\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial r} \right) = \cos \theta \hat{i} + \sin \theta \hat{j}$

$\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \theta} = -r \sin \theta \hat{i} + r \cos \theta \hat{j}$

$h_\theta = \sqrt{r^2 \sin^2 \theta + r^2 \cos^2 \theta} = r$

$\hat{e}_\theta = \frac{1}{h_\theta} (-r \sin \theta \hat{i} + r \cos \theta \hat{j}) = -\sin \theta \hat{i} + \cos \theta \hat{j}$

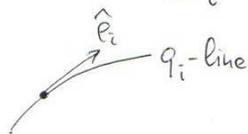
and, finally,

$\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial z} = \hat{k}, h_z = 1, \hat{e}_z = \hat{k}$

2 ~~grad ψ is the rate of change of ψ along~~

$\text{grad } \psi = \sum_{i=1}^3 (\text{grad } \psi)_i \hat{e}_i$

$(\text{grad } \psi)_i = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial s_i}$, i.e. it is the derivative $\frac{d\psi}{ds_i}$ in direction \hat{e}_i .



Here $d\psi = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial q_i} dq_i$ since we move along the q_i -line, and also from $d\vec{s}_i = \sum_j h_j dq_j \hat{e}_j$

follows $ds_i = h_i dq_i$ along this line. Therefore,

$(\text{grad } \psi)_i = \frac{\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial q_i} dq_i}{h_i dq_i} = \frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial q_i}$ and, thus,

$\text{grad } \psi = \sum_i \frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial q_i} \hat{e}_i$

QED

1.3

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2x} [\delta(2x+1) + 5H(x+1)] dx = I_{\delta} + I_H \quad (1)$$

$$I_{\delta} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2x} \delta(2x+1) dx = \left. \begin{array}{l} y = 2x+1 \\ dy = 2dx \\ 2x = y-1 \end{array} \right| = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{y-1}{2}} \delta(y) \frac{dy}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{0-1}{2}} = \frac{e}{2}; \quad (3)$$

$$I_H = \int_{-1}^{\infty} e^{-2x} \cdot 5 dx = 5 \frac{1}{(-2)} e^{-2x} \Big|_{-1}^{\infty} = \frac{5}{2} e^2 = \frac{5e^2}{2};$$

$$I = \frac{e}{2} + \frac{5e^2}{2} = \frac{e}{2}(1+5e) \quad (3)$$

1.4

Inverse FT

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\nu) e^{-i2\pi\nu t} d\nu \quad (2)$$

Conditions:

- piecewise (consists of a finite number of pieces)
- the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(t)| dt < +\infty$

Heaviside function $H(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$ does not satisfy

the 2nd condition: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(t)| dt = \int_0^{\infty} 1 dt = \infty$. (3)

[However, its Fourier transform can be written via one of the generalised functions - quite formally and usefully! \rightarrow not required for the student though]

(1.5) $f(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & -1 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$F(v) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{i2\pi vt} dt = \int_{-1}^1 e^{i2\pi vt} dt = \frac{1}{i2\pi v} e^{i2\pi vt} \Big|_{-1}^1 =$$

$$= \frac{1}{i2\pi v} [e^{i2\pi v} - e^{-i2\pi v}] = \frac{2i \sin 2\pi v}{i2\pi v} \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{\sin 2\pi v}{\pi v} \Rightarrow f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin 2\pi v}{\pi v} e^{-i2\pi vt} dv \quad (9)$$

using the inverse FT.

(1.6) $p(x) = \frac{3(x-1)}{(x^2+1)(x^2-1)^2} = \frac{3}{(x^2+1)(x-1)(x+1)^2}$

$$q(x) = \frac{2(x+1)^2}{(x^2+1)(x^2-1)^2} = \frac{2}{(x^2+1)(x-1)^2}$$

since $x^2-1 = (x-1)(x+1)$.

↳ two points:

(A) $x=1$

$$(x-1)p(x) \Big|_{x=1} = \frac{3}{(x^2+1)(x+1)^2} \Big|_{x=1} = \text{a number, ok.}$$

$$(x-1)^2 q(x) \Big|_{x=1} = \frac{2}{(x^2+1)} \Big|_{x=1} = \text{a number, ok.}$$

this point is a regular singular point (RSP)

(B) $x=-1$

$$(x+1)p(x) \Big|_{x=-1} = \frac{3}{(x^2+1)(x-1)(x+1)} \Big|_{x=-1} \rightarrow \text{singular at } x=-1$$

$$(x+1)^2 q(x) \Big|_{x=-1} = \frac{2(x+1)^2}{(x^2+1)(x-1)^2} \Big|_{x=-1} \rightarrow \text{a number, ok.}$$

Thus, $x=-1$ is irregular singular point.

(1.7) $y(x,t) = X(x)T(t)$

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$$\frac{1}{x} X T' = X'' T$$

Divide by XT :

$$\frac{1}{x} \frac{T'}{T} = \frac{X''}{X} \rightarrow \frac{X''}{X} = -k$$

depends only on x depends only on x $\frac{1}{x} \frac{T'}{T} = -k$

(3)

and we obtain (+k is also accepted)

$$X'' + kX = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{ODE for } X(x)$$

(2)

$$T' = -kxT \quad \leftarrow \text{ODE for } T(t)$$

(1.8) $P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^2-1)^n$

(1)

$$P_0(x) = \frac{1}{2^0 0!} (x^2-1)^0 = 1$$

$$P_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} (x^2-1) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2x = x$$

(2)

$$P_2(x) = \frac{1}{2^2 2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (x^2-1)^2 = \frac{1}{2^3} \frac{d}{dx} [2(x^2-1)2x] =$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \frac{d}{dx} (4x^3 - 4x) = \frac{1}{8} (3x^2 - 1) = \frac{1}{2} (3x^2 - 1)$$

(2)

Orthogonality:

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_0 P_2 dx = \int_{-1}^1 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} (3x^2 - 1) dx = \left(\frac{3}{2} \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x}{2} \right) \Big|_{-1}^1 = 0$$

(1)

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_1 P_2 dx = \int_{-1}^1 (3x^3 - x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{3x^4}{4} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right] \Big|_{-1}^1 = 0 \text{ as required.}$$

(1)

Section B

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a) Solving for $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$ in the equation given in problem A1.1, we obtain:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{i} = \cos\theta \hat{e}_r - \sin\theta \hat{e}_\theta \\ \hat{j} = \sin\theta \hat{e}_r + \cos\theta \hat{e}_\theta \\ \hat{k} = \hat{e}_z \end{cases}$$

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b) Differentiate $\hat{e}_r, \hat{e}_\theta, \hat{e}_z$ w.r.t time + using problem A1.1, and then substitute back $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$ via \hat{e}_i from (a):

$$\frac{d\hat{e}_r}{dt} = -\sin\theta \cdot \dot{\theta} \hat{i} + \cos\theta \cdot \dot{\theta} \hat{j} = \dot{\theta} \left[-\sin\theta (\cos\theta \hat{e}_r - \sin\theta \hat{e}_\theta) + \cos\theta (\sin\theta \hat{e}_r + \cos\theta \hat{e}_\theta) \right] = \dot{\theta} \left[\hat{e}_r (-\sin\theta \cos\theta + \cos\theta \sin\theta) + \hat{e}_\theta (\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta) \right] = \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_\theta ;$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\hat{e}_\theta}{dt} &= -\cos\theta \cdot \dot{\theta} \hat{i} - \sin\theta \cdot \dot{\theta} \hat{j} = \\ &= -\dot{\theta} \left[\cos\theta (\cos\theta \hat{e}_r - \sin\theta \hat{e}_\theta) + \sin\theta (\sin\theta \hat{e}_r + \cos\theta \hat{e}_\theta) \right] \\ &= -\dot{\theta} \left[\hat{e}_r (\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta) + \hat{e}_\theta (-\cos\theta \sin\theta + \sin\theta \cos\theta) \right] \\ &= -\dot{\theta} \hat{e}_r ; \end{aligned}$$

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$$\frac{d\hat{e}_z}{dt} = 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } d\vec{r} &= \vec{r}(q_1+dq_1, q_2+dq_2, q_3+dq_3) - \vec{r}(q_1, q_2, q_3) \\ &= \sum_i \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial q_i} dq_i \equiv \sum_i \hat{e}_i dq_i h_i, \text{ O.F.D.} \end{aligned}$$

(4)

d) From ~~problem 4.1.1~~ above:

$$d\vec{r} = h_1 dq_1 \hat{e}_1 + h_2 dq_2 \hat{e}_2 + h_3 dq_3 \hat{e}_3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } d\vec{r} &= h_r dr \hat{e}_r + h_\theta d\theta \hat{e}_\theta + h_z dz \hat{e}_z \\ &= \hat{e}_r dr + \hat{e}_\theta r d\theta + \hat{e}_z dz \end{aligned}$$

and, thus, the velocity

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \dot{r} \hat{e}_r + r\dot{\theta} \hat{e}_\theta + \dot{z} \hat{e}_z$$

(3)

The acceleration

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} &= \ddot{r} \hat{e}_r + \dot{r}(\dot{\hat{e}}_r) + (r\dot{\theta})' \hat{e}_\theta + r\dot{\theta}(\dot{\hat{e}}_\theta) + \ddot{z} \hat{e}_z \\ &= \ddot{r} \hat{e}_r + \dot{r}(\dot{\theta} \hat{e}_\theta) + (\dot{r}\dot{\theta} + r\ddot{\theta}) \hat{e}_\theta + r\dot{\theta}(-\dot{\theta} \hat{e}_r) + \ddot{z} \hat{e}_z \\ &= (\ddot{r} - r\dot{\theta}^2) \hat{e}_r + (2\dot{r}\dot{\theta} + r\ddot{\theta}) \hat{e}_\theta + \ddot{z} \hat{e}_z \end{aligned}$$

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e) Eqs. of motion along \hat{e}_r and \hat{e}_θ follow from the Newtonian's eqs. of motion:

$$\vec{F} = m \vec{a} \text{ with } \vec{a} \text{ from}$$

the previous part and $m=1$. Thus:

$$\ddot{r} - r\dot{\theta}^2 = f(r) \text{ and } 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta} + r\ddot{\theta} = 0$$

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For a circular trajectory $\dot{r}=0$, and from the 2nd eq. of motion $\ddot{\theta}=0 \rightarrow \theta = \theta_0 + \omega t$, where $\omega = \dot{\theta}(0)$, $\theta_0 = \theta(0)$.

(2)

(3)

(a)
$$F[\delta(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{i2\pi vt} dt = e^{i2\pi v \cdot 0} = 1 = F(v)$$

(2)

Using the inverse FT:

~~$$\delta(t) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 1 \cdot e^{-i2\pi vt} dv = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i2\pi vt} dv$$~~

(3)

(b)
$$F(v) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{i2\pi vt} dt$$

$$G(v) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{i2\pi vt} dt$$

Using these in the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(v) G(v)^* dv = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{i2\pi vt} dt \right] \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t') e^{-i2\pi vt'} dt' \right]$$

$$= \int dt dt' f(t) g(t') \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv e^{i2\pi v(t-t')} \right]$$

$$\delta(t-t')$$

$$= \int dt dt' f(t) g(t) \delta(t-t') = \int dt f(t) g(t)$$

after integrating e.g. with respect to t.

(b) By definition,

$$F(v) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{i2\pi vt} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i2\pi vt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau f(t-\tau) g(\tau)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau g(\tau) e^{i2\pi v\tau} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt f(t-\tau) e^{i2\pi v(t-\tau)}}_{F(v)}$$

$$= F(v) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau g(\tau) e^{i2\pi v\tau} = F(v) G(v)$$

(6)

$$c) f(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-\alpha t}, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f * f = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-\tau) f(\tau) d\tau$$

Only positive argument of f contributes:

$$\tau \geq 0, \quad t - \tau \geq 0 \rightarrow \tau \leq t$$

Assuming $t \geq 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} f * f &= \int_0^t f(t-\tau) f(\tau) d\tau = \int_0^t e^{-\alpha(t-\tau)} e^{-\alpha\tau} d\tau = \\ &= \int_0^t e^{-\alpha t} d\tau = e^{-\alpha t} \int_0^t d\tau = t e^{-\alpha t}, \quad t \geq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

If $t < 0$, then conditions $\tau \geq 0, \tau \leq t < 0$ contradict each other, so that for $t < 0$ ~~the arguments~~ $f(t-\tau)$ and $f(\tau)$ are \hat{c} should be negative when $f(t) = 0 \rightarrow f * f = 0$. Thus,

$$f * f = \begin{cases} t e^{-\alpha t}, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases} = t f(t). \quad (1)$$

d) FT of $f(t)$ is

$$\begin{aligned} F(\nu) &= \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{i2\pi\nu t} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\alpha t} e^{i2\pi\nu t} dt = \frac{1}{i2\pi\nu + \alpha} e^{(-\alpha + i2\pi\nu)t} \Big|_0^{\infty} \\ &= -\frac{1}{i2\pi\nu + \alpha} = \frac{1}{\alpha - i2\pi\nu} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

• FT of $d(t) = t f(t)$ is:

$$\begin{aligned} D(\nu) &= \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-\alpha t} e^{i2\pi\nu t} dt = (\text{By parts}) = \left[t \frac{e^{(-\alpha + i2\pi\nu)t}}{-\alpha + i2\pi\nu} \right]_0^{\infty} - \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{(-\alpha + i2\pi\nu)t}}{-\alpha + i2\pi\nu} dt = -\frac{1}{(-\alpha + i2\pi\nu)^2} e^{(-\alpha + i2\pi\nu)t} \Big|_0^{\infty} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$= (-\alpha + i2\pi\nu)^{-2}$$

$$\textcircled{e} D(\nu) = (\alpha - i2\pi\nu)^{-2} = (\alpha - i2\pi\nu)^{-1} \cdot (\alpha - i2\pi\nu)^{-1} \equiv F(\nu)^2,$$

$$\text{where } \mathcal{F}^{-1}[F(\nu)] = f(t) \equiv \begin{cases} e^{-\alpha t}, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

Therefore, according to the convolution theorem,

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}[D(\nu)] = d(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{f(t-\tau)}_{\neq 0 \text{ only for } \tau > 0} \underbrace{f(\tau)}_{\neq 0 \text{ only for } t > \tau, \text{ i.e. } \tau < t} d\tau \equiv f * f \equiv d(t)$$

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}$

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Question 4

$$36x^2y'' + (5-9x^2)y = 0 \quad -10-$$

(a) $x=0$ is the only singular point:

$$p(x) = 0$$

$$q(x) = \frac{5-9x^2}{36x^2} = \frac{5}{36x^2} - \frac{9}{36}$$

$xp \rightarrow$ regular at $x=0$

$x^2q = \frac{5}{36} - \frac{9}{36}x^2 \rightarrow$ also regular at $x=0$ } $x=0$ is a RSP

(2)

(b) Seeking the solution in the form:

$$y(x) = x^s \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n,$$

we obtain:

$$y' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (n+s) x^{n+s-1}$$

$$y'' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (n+s)(n+s-1) x^{n+s-2}$$

(2)

• Substitute into the equation:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [36a_n(n+s)(n+s-1)x^{n+s} + (5-9x^2)a_n x^{n+s}] = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [36(n+s)(n+s-1)+5]a_n x^{n+s} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 9a_n x^{n+s+2} = 0$$

• Separate out the first two terms in the first summation:

$$[36s(s-1)+5]a_0 x^s + [36(s+1)s+5]a_1 x^{s+1}$$

$$+ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [36(n+s)(n+s-1)+5]a_n x^{n+s} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 9a_n x^{n+s+2} = 0$$

In the last term: $n \rightarrow n+2$ and then combine with the preceding term:

$$[36s(s-1)+5]a_0 x^s + [36s(s+1)+5]a_1 x^{s+1} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{ [36(n+s)(n+s-1)+5]a_n -$$

$$- 9a_{n+2} \} x^{n+s} = 0$$

(5)

(*)

• The indicial equation ~~is~~ ^{may} be either coming from the first

or the second term; either is correct. Use the first one: -10-

$$\boxed{36s(s-1)+5=0} \rightarrow \cancel{36s^2-36s+5=0} \quad (2)$$

$$s^2 - s + \frac{5}{36} = 0, \quad \underline{s_1 = \frac{5}{6}}, \quad \underline{s_2 = \frac{1}{6}}$$

The recurrence relation follows from the last term in (*):

$$\boxed{36(h+s)(h+s-1)+5} a_h = 3 a_{h-2},$$

$$a_h = \frac{3}{36(h+s)(h+s-1)+5} a_{h-2}, \quad h \geq 2 \quad (3) (**)$$

Consider the first solution, $y_1(x)$, corresponding to $(s_1 = \frac{5}{6})$
 a_0 - arbitrary (by construction) (2)

$$36s(s+1)+5 \neq 0 \rightarrow \boxed{a_1 \equiv 0} \text{ in the second term in (*)}$$

$$\text{Then, } a_h = \frac{3}{36(h+\frac{5}{6})(h+\frac{1}{6})+5} a_{h-2} = \frac{3}{(6h+5)(6h-1)+5} a_{h-2} \quad (1)$$

The first three terms follows at once:

$$\boxed{h=2} \rightarrow a_2 = \frac{3}{(6 \cdot 2+5)(6 \cdot 2-1)+5} a_0 = \frac{3a_0}{17 \cdot 11+5} = \frac{3a_0}{192} = \frac{3a_0}{64} \quad (1)$$

$$h=3 \rightarrow a_3 = \dots a_1 = 0 \text{ since } a_1=0; \text{ only even } a_n \neq 0!$$

$$h=4 \rightarrow a_4 = \frac{3 a_2}{\cancel{36} (6 \cdot 4+5)(6 \cdot 4-1)+5} = \frac{3 \cdot a_2}{29 \cdot 23+5} = \frac{9a_2}{672} = \frac{3a_2}{224}$$

$$= \frac{3}{224} \cdot \frac{3}{64} a_0 = \frac{3^2}{14336} a_0 \quad (1)$$

$$h=5 \rightarrow a_5 = 0, \text{ etc.} \quad (1)$$

Dropping an arbitrary a_0 , we arrive at the first solution:

$$\boxed{y_1(x) = X^{5/6} \left[1 + \frac{3}{64} X^2 + \frac{9}{14336} X^4 + \dots \right]} \quad (1)$$

Similarly for the 2nd solution: $(s = \frac{1}{6})$
 a_0 - arbitrary (1)

From the 2nd term $i_n(x)$: -12-

$$36 \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{1}{6} + 1 \right) + 5 \neq 0 \rightarrow \boxed{a_1 = 0}$$

The recurrence relation (**) reads in this case:

$$a_n = \frac{9}{36 \left(\frac{1}{6} + n \right) \left(n - \frac{5}{6} \right) + 5} a_{n-2} = \frac{9}{(6n+1)(6n-5) + 5} a_{n-2}, \quad n \geq 2$$

• Therefore, the 1st 3 terms:

$$n=2 \rightarrow a_2 = \frac{9}{13 \cdot 7 + 5} a_0 = \frac{9a_0}{96} = \frac{3a_0}{32},$$

$$n=3 \rightarrow a_3 = \dots a_1 = 0, \text{ all odd terms vanish!}$$

$$n=4 \rightarrow a_4 = \frac{9}{25 \cdot 19 + 5} a_2 = \frac{9}{480} a_2 = \frac{3}{160} a_2 = \frac{3}{160} \cdot \frac{3}{32} a_0 = \frac{9}{5120} a_0$$

$$n=5 \rightarrow a_5 = 0, \text{ etc.}$$

Dropping arbitrary a_0 , we obtain

$$\boxed{y_2(x) = x^{1/6} \left[1 + \frac{3}{32} x^2 + \frac{9}{5120} x^4 + \dots \right]}$$

④ Hence, the general solution

$$y(x) = A y_1(x) + B y_2(x)$$

A, B - arbitrary constants.

- ⑤ (a) The problem has the spherical symmetry \rightarrow use spherical coordinates ~~with~~ (r, θ, ϕ) . In addition, the temperature will only depend on r , not on θ, ϕ . Then, the r -part of the Laplacian ($h_r=1, h_\theta=r, h_\phi=r \sin \theta$) is

$$\Delta u = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \sin \theta \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right)$$

We do not need θ, ϕ -parts of Δ as u does not depend on these variables.

Thus, our equation is simplified into:

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) \equiv \frac{\partial u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}, \text{ QED.}$$

- ⑥ The temperature in the sphere be that of the water eventually, i.e. $u(r, \infty) = 10$ degrees.

- ⑦ The partial differential eq. for $v(r, t)$ is the same as for $u(r, t)$, i.e.

$$\frac{1}{\mu^2} \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial r}$$

Boundary condition: $v(a, t) = 10$

Initial condition: $v(r, 0) = -10$.

- ⑧ Using $v(r, t) = R(r)T(t)$, we obtain:

$$\frac{1}{\mu^2} RT' = TR'' + \frac{2}{r} TR'$$

Divide by RT : $\frac{1}{\mu^2} \frac{T'}{T} = \frac{R''}{R} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{R'}{R}$

depends on t
on r only

Introduce a negative separation constant $-k^2$:

$$\frac{1}{\mu^2} \frac{T'}{T} = -k^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{R''}{R} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{R'}{R} = -k^2$$

which are the required equations:

$$T' = -(kx)^2 T \quad \text{and} \quad R'' + \frac{2}{r} R' + k^2 R = 0$$

Ⓓ. Checking for $T(t) = \exp(-(xk)^2 t)$:

$$T' = T (xk)^2 \quad \text{as required.} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

• Checking for $R(r) = \frac{\sin kr}{r}$:

$$R' = k \frac{\cos kr}{r} - \frac{\sin kr}{r^2}, \quad R'' = -2k \frac{\cos kr}{r^2} + \frac{2 \sin kr}{r^3} - k^2 \frac{\sin kr}{r} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

After substitution, we convince ourselves that it is a solution.

• The separation constant is negative, $-k^2$, since otherwise $T(t)$ would indefinitely increase with time which is unphysical. $\textcircled{2}$

Ⓔ Boundary condition: $R(a) = 0 \rightarrow \frac{\sin ka}{a} = 0,$

$$ka = \pi n, \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

However, $n=0 \rightarrow k=0$, which cannot be (trivially, $R=0$ in this case). Further, negative n give equivalent solutions to the positive ones. Therefore, $\textcircled{4}$

$$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Ⓕ Hence, using a linear combination of all possible elementary solutions, each satisfying the boundary condition (superposition principle), we obtain

$$u(r,t) = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n e^{-(k_n x)^2 t} \sin k_n r, \quad k_n = \frac{\pi n}{a} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Ⓖ Applying initial conditions to obtain v_n :

$$-10 = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \sin k_n r \equiv \frac{1}{r} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \phi_n(r), \quad \phi_n(r) = \sin k_n r \quad \textcircled{1}$$

Functions $\phi_n(r)$ are orthogonal, so that we obtain:

$$-10r = \sum_n v_n \phi_n(r) \rightarrow v_n = \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a 10r \phi_n(r) dr \quad \textcircled{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Rightarrow \frac{20}{a} \int_0^a r \sin k_n r \, dr = (\text{by parts}) = \\
 & = \frac{20}{a} \left[-r \frac{\cos k_n r}{k_n} \Big|_0^a + \frac{1}{k_n} \int_0^a \cos k_n r \, dr \right] \\
 & = \frac{20}{a} \left[-\frac{a}{k_n} \underbrace{\cos k_n a}_{\cos \pi n = (-1)^n} + \frac{1}{k_n^2} \underbrace{\sin k_n r \Big|_0^a}_0 \right] = \frac{20}{k_n} (-1)^n
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the final solution is

$$u(r, t) = 10 + \frac{20a}{\pi r} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} e^{-(\pi k_n)^2 t} \sin k_n r, \quad k_n = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

It satisfies both initial and boundary conditions.
It tends to 10 at $t \rightarrow \infty$ as required.