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Mathematical Methods in Physics III (FYS T 300) 2010

The Final Exam : Part I 15 IV - 30 IV ; Part II 30 IV .

1. (a) Explain (with one or two sentences) the concept of a Lie group. (b) What are the ingredients that specify a Lie algebra ?

2. (a) Find the harmonic conjugate $v(x, y)$ to $u(x, y) =$

$x^2 - y^2 - y$, so that these functions are joined

together by $u(x, y) + i v(x, y) = f(z)$. (b) Write down

Laurent's theorem. Determine the first few terms of

the Laurent series for $f(z) = z^3 \sin\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$ about $z = 0$.

3. (a) Derive Cauchy's integral formula by making an

appeal to an integral equation. (b) Justify. Cauchy's

integral formula is a consequence of Cauchy's residue

theorem.



4. (a) Describe how to solve the nonlinear integral

equation $\phi(x) = f(x) + \lambda \cdot \int_0^x \phi(x-u) \phi(u) du$. (b) Solve

(no guessing) the Hammerstein integral equation $\phi(x) =$

$$\int_0^1 xu [\phi(u)]^3 du.$$

5. An outline of the chief points in the Hilbert-Schmidt

theory. Consider the homogeneous integral equation

$$\phi(x) = \lambda \cdot \int_a^b K(x,u) \phi(u) du \text{ with a real symmetric kernel.}$$
