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INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ALL FIVE (5) QUESTIONS

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Q1 (a) Given the functional, $J[y] = \int_0^1 (x^2 y'^2 + y^2) dx$.

(i) Find its first variation, $\delta J[y]$. (5 marks)

(ii) Find its second variation, $\delta^2 J[y]$. (4 marks)

(iii) Show that the functional is continuous on the function $y_0(x) = x$. (4 marks)

(b) If two batteries which have resistance r and electromotive force v are connected in parallel to a resistance R , then the power loss in the resistance is given by

$$P = \frac{4v^2 R}{(2r + R)^2}.$$

How much should the resistance R be so that the power loss is maximum? (7 marks)

Q2 (a) Find the extremals for the following functional

$$J[y(x)] = \int_{-1}^0 (240y - y'''^2) dx,$$

subject to the conditions

$$y(-1) = 1, y(0) = 0, y'(-1) = -4.5,$$

$$y'(0) = 0, y''(-1) = 16, y''(0) = 0.$$

(10 marks)

(b) Show that there is no solution to the problem of finding a possible extremal to the functional

$$J[y(x)] = \int_0^1 \sqrt{y(x) - x} dx,$$

with boundary conditions $y(0) = 0, y(1) = 1$ and $y(x) \geq x$ on $[0, 1]$.

(3 marks)

- Q3** (a) Find the shortest distance from the point $A(1, 0, -1)$ to the point $B(0, -1, 1)$ lying on the surface $x + y + z = 0$.

(14 marks)

- (b) Determine whether the Jacobi condition is fulfilled for the extremal of the functional

$$J[y] = \int_{-1}^1 (12xy + y'^2 + x^2) dx$$

which extremal passes through the points $O(-1, -2)$ and $A(1, 0)$.

(7 marks)

- (c) Utilizing the Legendre condition, test the following functional for extrema.

$$J[y] = \int_0^1 (y'^2 + x^2) dx, \quad y(0) = -1, \quad y(1) = 1.$$

(6 marks)

- Q4** Find the function that will extremize $J[y(x)] = \int_0^1 (y'^2(x) + y(x)y'(x)) dx$ with boundary conditions $y(0) = 1, y(1) = 1$ when subject to the isoperimetric condition of

$$K[y(x)] = \int_0^1 (y(x) - y'^2(x)) dx = 1.$$

(20 marks)

- Q5** By using the direct method of Ritz, find an approximate solution to the nonlinear equation $y'' + x = 0$ with boundary conditions $y(0) = 1$ and $y(1) = 0$ and compare it with the exact solution.

(20 marks)

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