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Faculty of Engineering

Final Test  
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215-613 Mathematical Methods in Engineering

Semester 1/2548  
13:30 – 16:30  
Room R300

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Direction:

1. Open book exam.
2. There are total of 3 problems.

Problem	Full score	Your score
1	20	
2	15	
3	10	
<b>Total</b>	45	

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**Total 45 points**

1. The 1-D heat conduction in a 1-m long iron rod can be described by

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$$

where  $c^2 = 0.5 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$ . The boundary conditions are

$$\left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad \frac{\text{°C}}{\text{m}}$$
$$T(1, t) = 100 \text{ °C}$$

and the initial temperature profile is  $T(x, 0) = 100x^2$ .

Draw the initial temperature profile and determine the temperature profile in the rod at any time  $t$ . (20 points)

2. The 1-D heat conduction in a semi-infinite bar has the following conditions:

$$\left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad \frac{\text{°C}}{\text{m}}$$
$$T(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 100 \cos x \text{ °C}, & 0 < x \leq \pi/2 \\ 0 \text{ °C}, & x > \pi/2 \end{cases}$$

Determine the temperature profile in the rod at any time  $t$ . Do as much as you can. (15 points)

3. Following is a system of four linear equations with only three unknowns. Does this system have a unique solution? If you think the solution exists, solve it by Gaussian Elimination. (10 points)

$$\begin{aligned} -w + x + 2y - 2z &= 10 \\ w - 2x - 2y + 3z &= -6 \\ -2w + 5x + y + 2z &= -1 \\ 5w - 4x + 10y - 6z &= 12 \end{aligned}$$