

## ALE-01: Required Math Skills

*Note: You may NOT use Maple*

- 1) Solve the following ordinary differential equation, with  $k$ ,  $s$  and  $q$  constant.

$$\frac{d}{dx}(kT(x)) + sx - q = 0 \quad , \quad T(x_L) = T_A$$

**Integrating with respect to  $x$ :**

$$\int \left( \frac{d}{dx}(kT(x)) + sx - q \right) dx = 0$$

$$kT(x) + s \frac{x^2}{2} - qx + c = 0 \quad \text{where } c \text{ is the arbitrary constant of integration}$$

**Applying the boundary condition to solve for  $c$ :**

$$kT_A + s \frac{x_L^2}{2} - qx_L + c = 0 \Rightarrow c = qx_L - s \frac{x_L^2}{2} - kT_A$$

**Substituting and rearranging:**

$$T(x) = \frac{s}{2k}(x_L^2 - x^2) + \frac{q}{k}(x - x_L) + T_A$$

- 2) Differentiate the following function  $N_{11}$  with respect to  $x$ . Be sure to clearly show the chain rule.

$$N_{11} = \zeta_1 \quad \text{where} \quad \zeta_1 = 1 - \frac{\bar{x}}{l_e} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{x} = x - x_L$$

**Applying the chain rule:**

$$\frac{dN_{11}}{dx} = \frac{dN_{11}(\zeta_1)}{d\zeta_1} \frac{d\zeta_1(\bar{x})}{d\bar{x}} \frac{d\bar{x}(x)}{dx}$$

**where:**

$$\frac{dN_{11}}{d\zeta_1} = 1 \quad , \quad \frac{d\zeta_1}{d\bar{x}} = -\frac{1}{l_e} \quad , \quad \frac{d\bar{x}}{dx} = 1$$

**Substituting and simplifying:**

$$\frac{dN_{11}}{dx} = -\frac{1}{l_e}$$

- 3) Integrate the following expression by parts, where  $k$  and  $s$  are constant.

$$\int_0^L \Phi(x) \left[ -\frac{d}{dx} \left( k \frac{dT^N(x)}{dx} \right) \right] dx$$

**By definition, integration by parts is**  $\int_0^L u dv = -\int_0^L v du + uv \Big|_0^L$

**Where for our equation:**  $u = \Phi \quad dv = -\frac{d}{dx} \left( k \frac{dT^N}{dx} \right) dx \Rightarrow du = \frac{d\Phi}{dx} dx \quad v = -k \frac{dT^N}{dx}$

**Substituting:**

$$\int_0^L \Phi(x) \left[ -\frac{d}{dx} \left( k \frac{dT^N(x)}{dx} \right) \right] dx = \int_0^L \frac{d\Phi(x)}{dx} k \frac{dT^N(x)}{dx} dx - \Phi(x) k \frac{dT^N(x)}{dx} \Big|_0^L$$

**Note the sign change on the first term on the RHS!**

- 4) Put the following matrix *assembly* in the form  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ . Then simplify for  $l_{e,12} = l_{e,23} = l_e$ ,  $k_{12} = k_{23} = k$ , and  $s_{12} = s_{23} = s$ .

$$\left( \frac{k_{12}}{l_{e,12}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \\ Q_3 \end{Bmatrix} + \frac{k_{23}}{l_{e,23}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \\ Q_3 \end{Bmatrix} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{Bmatrix} l_{e,12}s_{12} \\ l_{e,12}s_{12} \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ l_{e,23}s_{23} \\ l_{e,23}s_{23} \end{Bmatrix} \right) = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

**For variable  $k, l_e$ , and  $s$ :**

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{k_{12}}{l_{e,12}} & -\frac{k_{12}}{l_{e,12}} & 0 \\ -\frac{k_{12}}{l_{e,12}} & \frac{k_{12}}{l_{e,12}} + \frac{k_{23}}{l_{e,23}} & -\frac{k_{23}}{l_{e,23}} \\ 0 & -\frac{k_{23}}{l_{e,23}} & \frac{k_{23}}{l_{e,23}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \\ Q_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{l_{e,12}s_{12}}{2} \\ \frac{l_{e,12}s_{12}}{2} + \frac{l_{e,23}s_{23}}{2} \\ \frac{l_{e,23}s_{23}}{2} \end{Bmatrix}$$

**For constant  $k, l_e$ , and  $s$ :**

$$\frac{k}{l_e} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \\ Q_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{s l_e}{2} \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix}$$