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General Instructions

- This paper consists of **TWO** sections, Section A and Section B. Section A is compulsory and it consists of **FIVE** Structured Essay Questions and carries 100 marks.
- Section B consists of **FIVE** essay-type questions and answer only **THREE** of them. Each question in Section B carries 100 marks.
- This paper consists of 03 pages.

SECTION A

1. Answer all the questions in this section.

(a) Determine whether the equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y}$ is linear or non-linear.

(b) Verify the function $y(x) = e^{-3x}$ is a solution of the differential equation,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dx} - 15y = 0.$$

(c) Find the value for b which the equation $ye^{2xy} + x + bxe^{2xy}y' = 0$ exact.

(d) Consider the second order differential equation $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 3e^{-t} + 2e^{-t}\cos t$.
Identify the *UC*-functions and generate the corresponding *UC*-sets.

(e) A ball of mass m is dropped with no initial velocity and encounters an air resistance that is proportional to the square of its velocity. Find an expression for the acceleration of the ball at a time t . Consider v as the velocity, and g as the gravitational force.

SECTION B

Answer **THREE** Questions **ONLY** from this section.

2. (a) Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dt} = f\left(\frac{y}{t}\right)$.

(i) Show that using a suitable substitution replaces the above equation by the equivalent equation $v + t \frac{dv}{dt} = f(v)$.

(ii) Find the general solution of the equation $\frac{dy}{dt} = 2\left(\frac{y}{t}\right) + \left(\frac{y}{t}\right)^2$.

(b) Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+y+1}{x-y+3}$.

(i) Using the substitutions $x = X + h$ and $y = Y + k$ form an expression for $\frac{dY}{dX}$.

(ii) Determine the h and k where the equation formed in part(i) can be formed in to a variable-separable equation.

3. A family of swordfish living off the Indian Ocean obeys the population growth

$$\frac{dp(t)}{dt} = 0.003p(t) \text{ where } t \text{ is measured in minutes.}$$

(i) An undesirable element has moved into their neighborhood, 0.002 swordfish per minute leave. Modify the given population growth equation by taking this factor into account.

(ii) Assume that at time $t = 0$ there are one million swordfish. Find the population $p(t)$.

(iii) Assume that, in addition to the incident mentioned in part (i), at time $t = 0$ a group of sharks establish residence in these waters and begin attacking the swordfish. The rate at which swordfish are killed by the sharks is $0.001p^2(t)$, where $p(t)$ is the population of swordfish at time t .

Modify the given population growth equation in part(i) by taking this factor into account. Find the population $p(t)$.

4. (a) Find the general solution of the equation $(2y + e^t)dt + (2t + \cos y)dy = 0$.

(b) Using a suitable integrating factor convert $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2xy - x$ into an exact differential equation.

(c) Show that every separable equation of the form $M(x) + N(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ is exact.

5. (a) Find the general solution of the equation $y'' - 2y' - 2y = 0$.
- (b) Find the particular solution of the equation $y'' - 2y' - 2y = -2t + 4t^2$ and then deduce the general solution.
- (c) Using the D -operator method find the particular solution of the equation,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3\frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = e^{2x} + \sin 3x.$$
 (Hint: Euler's formula for $\sin x$: $\sin x = \frac{e^{ix} - e^{-ix}}{2i}$)
6. (a) Suppose that the temperature of a cup of tea obeys Newton's law of cooling.
 If the tea has a temperature of 200°F when freshly poured, and 1 min later has cooled to 190°F in a room at 70°F , determine when the tea reaches a temperature of 150°F .
- (b) Determine whether $x = 0$ is a regular singular point of the differential equation

$$8x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 10x \frac{dy}{dx} + (x - 1)y = 0.$$