



# IDC205, Differential Equations for Scientists

Monsoon 2022

9/12/2022, 9:30AM-12:30 NOON.

## INSTRUCTIONS

- The duration of the exam is 3 hours.
- No electronic gadgets are allowed. In particular, cellphones and calculators are not allowed inside the examination premise (LHC).
- Provide complete, coherent and detailed answers to each and every question. Full credits will be awarded only to "perfect solutions".

## FINAL EXAMINATION

- (1) (5 points) Find two linearly independent closed form solutions of the differential equation

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 3x \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = 0.$$

- (2) (5 points) Find two linearly independent power solutions of the differential equation

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

about the singular point  $x = 0$ .

- (3) (5 points) Find two linearly independent power series solutions of

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0$$

about the ordinary point  $x = 0$ .

- (4) (5 points) Use the method of Laplace transformation to solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = xe^{-x}; \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 1.$$

- (5) (5 points) Use the method of undetermined coefficients to solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = xe^{-x}; \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 1.$$



(6) (5 points) Consider the equation

$$\left( \frac{1}{x^2 y^2} + \frac{x}{y^3} \right) dx + N(x, y) dy = 0$$

where  $N$  is a real valued differentiable function. Find the most general form of  $N(x, y)$  so that the above equation is exact and solve the resulting exact differential equation.

(7) (5 points) Find a third order linear homogeneous differential equation with variable coefficients for which  $\{1, x, \ln(x)\}$  is a fundamental set of solutions.

(8) (5 points) Find the orthogonal trajectory of the family

$$y = cx^2; \quad c \text{ is a constant}$$

that passes through  $(1, 0)$ .