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BSc I GEN, IT, B.ECON & FM DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS I

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**Instructions**

Attempt any **five** (05) questions

Read each question carefully before attempting

Questions carry equal marks

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Q1. a) Find the general solutions to the following differential equations.

i)  $y' = \frac{2 + \sin x}{3(y - 1)^2}$

ii)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{(1 - y^2)(1 - x^2)}$ .

b) Obtain a particular solution to the differential equation,  
 $x^2 dy = (y^2 - xy + x^2) dx$ ;  $y(1) = 2$ .

Q2. a) Solve the following initial value problem,

$$(3xy - y^2)dx + x(x - y)dy = 0; y(1) = 1.$$

b) Two variables,  $x$  and  $y$  are connected by the equation,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2y + x$ .

Find an expression for  $y$  in terms of  $x$  such that when  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 2$ .

Q3. According to Newton's law of cooling, the rate of fall of temperature of a body is directly proportional to the excess of its temperature over the surrounding, i.e.

$$\frac{dT}{dt} \propto (T - \theta_R), \text{ where } \theta_R \text{ is room temperature.}$$

Given that the temperature of an object falls from 200°C to 100°C in 40 minutes in a room temperature of 10°C. Show that  $T$  can be written as  $T = 10 + 190e^{-kt}$ ;  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ . Find the time taken for the temperature of the body to reach 50°C.

Q4. A second order differential equation is given as,

$$xy'' + (1 - 2x)y' + (x - 1)y = 0.$$

One of the linearly independent solution to the differential equation is  $y = e^x$ . Find a unique solution to the differential equation subject to the conditions,

$$y(1) = 2e; \quad y'(1) = -3e.$$

- Q5. A differential equation is related to an exponential function as given below.

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 3\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 6xe^x$$

Obtain a particular solution to the equation above satisfying the conditions;

$$y(0) = 1 \text{ and } y'(0) = 0.$$

- Q6. a) Use the method of variation of parameters to solve the equation,

$$y'' - 2y' + y = \frac{e^x}{1 + x^2}.$$

- b) Find a general solution to the equation,

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - y = xe^x.$$

- Q7.a) Locate the ordinary, regular singular and irregular singular points (where applicable) of the differential equation,

$$x^3(1 - x^2)y'' + (2x - 3)y' + xy = 0.$$

- b) Solve the differential equation,

$$y'' + x^2y = 0,$$

Using the power series method about  $x = 0$ .

**END**