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MAP1302 - DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS I

Time: Three (03) Hours.

Answer ALL questions.

01. (a) Population of mosquitoes in a certain area increases at a rate proportional to the current population and, in the absence of other factors, the population doubles each week. There are 200,000 mosquitoes in the area initially (at time $t = 0$), and predators (birds, etc.) eat 20,000 mosquitoes per day. Formulate a differential equation to determine the population of mosquitoes in the area at any time t . [Do not solve the equation] (40 marks)
- (b) Newton's law of cooling states that the temperature of a hot liquid decreases at a rate proportional to the difference between its temperature and that of its surroundings. Suppose that the temperature of a cup of coffee obeys Newton's law of cooling. The coffee has a temperature of $200^{\circ}F$ when freshly poured into the cup, and one minute later it has cooled to $190^{\circ}F$ in a room at a constant temperature of $70^{\circ}F$. Form a differential equation to determine when the cup of coffee reaches a temperature of $150^{\circ}F$. (40 marks)
- (c) A small ball is thrown vertically upwards with initial speed 20 ms^{-1} from the roof of a building 30 m high. Air resistance to its motion can be neglected and the motion is due to gravity alone.
- (i) Formulate a differential equation for the speed of the ball and hence find the maximum height above the ground reached by the ball. (20 marks)
- (ii) Assuming that the ball misses the building on its way down, find the time at which it hits the ground. (10 marks)
- (iii) Plot the graph of velocity versus time, for the motion of the ball. (10 marks)

- (d) A realistic model of a baseball in flight includes the effect of air resistance in addition to gravity. In this case, the equations of motion are

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = -kv \quad , \quad \frac{dw}{dt} = -g - kw \quad ;$$

where $v(t)$ = horizontal component of velocity, at time t

$w(t)$ = vertical component of velocity

k = coefficient of resistance per unit mass

and g = gravitational constant.

- (i) Determine $v(t)$ and $w(t)$ in terms of initial speed u , its initial angle of elevation, θ and time t . (30 marks)
- (ii) Let $x(t)$ and $y(t)$, respectively, be the horizontal and vertical displacements of the ball at time t . If $x(0) = 0$ and $y(0) = h$, find $x(t)$ and $y(t)$. (50 marks)

02. (a) Find a differential equation of the family of curves $y = Ae^{2x} + Be^{-2x}$ (20 marks)

(b) Find a differential equation of all circles through the origin. (30 marks)

(c) Find the function $y(x)$ which satisfies the equation, $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x(2\log x + 1)}{\sin y + \cos y}$. (30 marks)

(d) Solve the equation: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x + 3y + 4}{4x + 6y + 5}$. (40 marks)

(e) Solve $\left\{ y \left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right) + \cos y \right\} dx + (x + \log x - x \sin y) dy = 0$. (30 marks)

(f) Integrate $(1 + x^2) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) + 2xy - 4x^2 = 0$.

Obtain an equation of the curve satisfying this equation and passing through the origin.

(50 marks)

03. (a) Derive a method for solving Bernoulli's equation $\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Qy^n$. (25 marks)

Hence solve $\left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) (x^2 y^3 + xy) = 1$. (30 marks)

(b) The operator $D = \frac{d}{dx}$ and $F(D)$ is a linear polynomial, with constant coefficients, in D .

Establish the following results:

(i) $F(D) e^{ax} = F(a) e^{ax}$ (30 marks)

(ii) $\frac{1}{F(D)} e^{ax} v(x) = e^{ax} \frac{1}{F(D+a)} v(x)$ (30 marks)

(iii) $\frac{1}{D-a} f(x) = e^{ax} \int f(x) e^{-ax} dx$ (30 marks)

(c) Obtain the general solution for each of the following differential equations:

(i) $\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} - 4 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 5 \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y = 0$. (30 marks)

(ii) $(D^3 - 1)y = e^{2x} + 2e^x + 1$ (25 marks)

04. (a) Solve

(i) $(D^2 - 8D + 9)y = 40 \sin 5x$. (40 marks)

(ii) $(D^2 - 4D + 4)y = x^2$. (40 marks)

(iii) $(D^2 + 2D + 1)y = x \cos x$. (50 marks)

(b) (i) Derive a method for solving Riccati's equation when one particular integral is known.

(30 marks)

(ii) Show that $x^2 + 1$ is an integral of $y_1 = 2x - (x^2 + 1)y + y^2$. Hence find the general solution of the given equation. (40 marks)

05. (a) Explain a method for finding the solution of an equation given in the form

$x = f(y, p)$, where $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$. Hence solve $x = y + p^2$. (30 marks)

(b) Solve, (i) $y = 2px + p^4 x^2$; for y . (30 marks)

(ii) $xy^2(p^2 + 2) = 2py^2 + x^3$; for p . (30 marks)

(c) (i) Define Clairaut's equation and identify the steps to solve such an equation. (30 marks)

(ii) Solve, $y = 3x + \log p$ (30 marks)

(iii) Solve $x^2 p^2 + yp(2x + y) + y^2 = 0$ by using the substitutions $y = u$, $xy = v$. (50 marks)

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