

University of Swaziland
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Title of Paper : Ordinary Differential Equations
Course Number : M213
Time Allowed : Three Hours

Instructions

1. This paper consists of SEVEN questions.
 2. Each question is worth 20%.
 3. Answer **ANY FIVE** questions. Submit solutions to **ONLY FIVE** questions.
 4. Show all the necessary steps.
 5. A table of Laplace Transformations provided at the end of the question paper.
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Question 1

- a) If $y = x$ is particular solution of the differential equation

$$y' = 4x^2(y - x)^2 + \frac{y}{x},$$

find its general solution.

Mark = 10pts

- b) Solve the differential equation

$$(2x + 3y - 5)\frac{dy}{dx} + 3x + 2y - 5 = 0$$

Mark = 10pts

Question 2

- a) Solve

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

Mark = 10pts

- b) Use Laplace transforms to solve

$$y'' + 2y' - 3y = 3, y(0) = 4, y'(0) = -7.$$

Mark = 10pts

Question 3

a) Solve

$$[y(\log x) - 1]y \, dx = x \, dy.$$

Mark = 10pts

b) Solve

$$x \, dx + y \, dy = \frac{a^2(x \, dy - y \, dx)}{x^2 + y^2},$$

where a is a constant.

Mark = 10pts

Question 4

a) Find the general solution of the the differential equation

$$y''' - 6y'' + 12y' - 8y = 12e^{2x} + 27e^{-x}.$$

Mark = 12pts

b) Investigate the existence of solutions of the initial value problem

$$y' = \frac{1 + 2x + 3y}{2 + x^2 + y^2}, \quad y(0) = 0,$$

over the rectangle $R: |x| \leq 2, |y| \leq 1$.

Mark = 8pts

Question 5

a) Solve

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

Mark = 12pts

b) It is given that $y_1 = x$ and $y_2 = \frac{1}{x}$ are two linearly independent solutions of the associated homogeneous equation of

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

Find a particular integral and the general solution of the equation.

Mark = 8pts

Question 6

a) Solve

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} + 4x + 3y &= t \\ \frac{dy}{dt} + 2x + 5y &= e^t\end{aligned}$$

Mark = 12pts

b) If

$$\left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}\right) / N = f(x)$$

a function of x alone, then show that $e^{\int f(x)dx}$ is an integrating factor of

$$M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0.$$

Mark = 8pts

Question 7

Find the series solution, about $x = 0$, of the equation

$$xy'' + y' - xy = 0,$$

by the Frobenius method.

Mark = 20pts

Table of Laplace Transforms

$f(t)$	$F(s)$
t^n	$\frac{n}{s^{n+1}}$
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{s}}$
e^{at}	$\frac{1}{s-a}$
$t^n e^{at}$	$\frac{n}{(s-a)^{n+1}}$
$\frac{1}{a-b}(e^{at} - e^{bt})$	$\frac{1}{(s-a)(s-b)}$
$\frac{1}{a-b}(ae^{at} - be^{bt})$	$\frac{s}{(s-a)(s-b)}$
$\sin(at)$	$\frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$
$\cos(at)$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$
$\sin(at) - at \cos(at)$	$\frac{2a^3}{(s^2 + a^2)^2}$
$e^{at} \sin(bt)$	$\frac{b}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$
$e^{at} \cos(bt)$	$\frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$
$\sinh(at)$	$\frac{a}{s^2 - a^2}$
$\cosh(at)$	$\frac{s}{s^2 - a^2}$
$\sin(at) \sinh(at)$	$\frac{2a^2}{s^4 + 4a^4}$