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REGULAR PROGRAMME

MAT 233: ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION 1

DATE: APRIL 2024

Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

Q1.

- a. What is homogeneous equation (1Mark)
- b. Explain what is meant by the term 'solution of a differential equation' (2 Marks)
- c. Classify the following equation in terms of order, degree, homogeneous and non-homogeneous. (4 Marks)
- i. $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 5\frac{dy}{dx} - y^2 = 0$
- ii. $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^2 + 6\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^3 - y = \sin 2x$
- d. Solve for y given
- i. $\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0$ (3 Marks)
- ii. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{y}$ (3 Marks)
- e. Test for the exactness of the following differential equations:
- i. $(3xy - y^2)dx + (x^2 - xy)dy = 0$ (3 Marks)
- ii. $2xy\frac{dy}{dx} + y^2 = e^{2x}$ (3 Marks)
- f. Find the solution of initial value problem
- $\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{-y(1+2t^2)}{t}$ $y(0) = 2$ (5 Marks)
- g. Solve exact equation
- $(y^2 - 2x) dx + (2xy + 1) dy = 0$ (6 Marks)

Q2.

- a. Solve exact equation $(3x^2y - 1)dx + (x^3 + 6y - y^2)dy = 0$ $y(0) = 3$ (6 Marks)
- b. By use of integrating factor solve the equation
- $\frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{1}{2}y = 2 + t$ (7 Marks)

- c. Solve higher order differential equation below
 $y''' - y'' - y' - 2y = 0$ (7 Marks)

Q3.

- a. Solve the equation $xy \frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + y^2$ (4 Marks)

- b. Solve the second order linear ODE'S with constant coefficient (9 Marks)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 15y = 0 \text{ given } x = 0, y = 5 \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dx} = 23$$

- c. Determine the solution of the equation using method of undetermined coefficients
 $y'' - 4y' + 3y = 9x + 6$ (7 Marks)

Q4.

- a. Solve $6y'' - y' - y = 0$ $y = 0$ and $y' = 10$ when $x = 0$ (5 Marks)

- b. Solve the equation below by reducing to first order form

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

The curve passes through points (0,-5) and (1,3) (8 Marks)

- c. Applying operator method for particular integrals solve the equation
 $y'' + 4y' + 4y = e^{3x} + \cos 5X$ (7 Marks)

Q5.

- a. Find the general solution to the equation
 $y'' - 4y' + 3y = 10 \sin 2x + 15 \cos 2x$ (10 Marks)

- b. Solve $y'' + 2y' + y = x^2 e^{2x}$ (10 Marks)

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