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SMA 2278: ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

SERIES: OCTOBER 2013

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions in **TWO** sections **A & B**

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

Question One

a) Explain what is a homogeneous function, hence determine the homogeneity of the function:

$$f(x, y) = e^{y/x} + \tan^{y/x}$$

(4 marks)

$$F(s) = \frac{4s + 6}{s^2 - 9}$$

b) Find the inverse laplace transform of

(6 marks)

- c) Using the method of undetermined coefficient determine a general solution of an equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 14\frac{dy}{dx} + 49y = 4e^{5x}$$

(7 marks)

- d) Use the method of Frobenius to find the solution of the differential equation given:

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

(10 marks)

- e) Find the general solution of:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y = e^{3x}$$

(3 marks)

SECTION B (Answer any TWO questions from this section)

Question Two

- a) Find the Laplace transform of:

$$e^{-3t}(2 \cos 5t - 3 \sin 3t)$$

(4 marks)

$$(5x^2 + 4xy)dx + (2x^2 + 3y)dy = 0$$

- b) Solve the equation

(7 marks)

- c) An electric circuit consists of an inductance of 0.1 henry a resistance of 20 ohms and a condenser of capacitance 25 microfarads. Find the charge q and the current i at any time t , given that the initial

$$\frac{dq}{dt} = 0$$

conditions are $q = 0.05$ coulombs and i when $t = 0$ if:

$$L \frac{d^2q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{q}{c} = E(t)$$

(9 marks)

Question Three

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y \cot x = \cos x$$

- a) Solve to obtain the particular solution given that at $x = \pi/2$ and $y = 5/2$

(6 marks)

- b) Obtain a general solution of the equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{x^2 - xy + y^2}{xy}$$

(8 marks)

$$y \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2 \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 - 2 \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

- c) Solve the second order differential equation

(6 marks)

Question Four

- a) Find the laplace inverse of:

$$\frac{s + 2}{s^2 - 4s + 3}$$

(5 marks)

- b) Find the particular solution for the initial value problem:

$$(x^2 + y^2)dx + 2xy dy = 0 \quad y(1) = 1$$

if

(8 marks)

$$L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri = E(t),$$

- c) Given the equation find an expression for i if $E(t) = E_0$ when the initial current is i_0 provided that $L = 3$ henries, $R = 15$ ohms in 60 cycle sine wave of amplitude 110 volts, while $i = 0$ when $t = 0$

(7 marks)

Question Five

- a) By separation of variables solve:

$$y \tan x \frac{dy}{dx} = (4 + y^2) \sec^2 x$$

(4 marks)

- b) A particle of mass 2kg moves along the x-axis attracted towards the origin O by a force whose magnitude is numerically equal to $8x$. If it is initially at rest at $x = 20$ and has also a damping force whose magnitude is numerically equal to 8 times the instantaneous speed. Find the equations of displacement and velocity of the particle at any time t .

(8 marks)

- c) Find the particular solution of:

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

if $y(0) = 3$

(4 marks)

$$f(x, y) = 4x^2 - 3xy + y^2$$

- d) Given determine whether it is homogeneous and indicate the degree of homogeneity.

(4 marks)