



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

SMA 335: ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS I

SAC 300: DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer **question one** and **any other two** questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Given the differential equation $5\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 8x\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = xy$, determine its order and degree (2 marks)
- b) Solve the equation $(D^2 - 4D + 13)y = 0$ (4 marks)
- c) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 12 & -15 \\ 4 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$, Determine the Eigen values of A. (4 marks)
- d) Determine the differential equation corresponding to $y = e^{3x}(A\cos 3x + B\sin 3x)$ where A and B are arbitrary constants. (5 marks)
- e) Determine the particular solution of the differential equation $(yx^2 + y)dy - (xy^2 + x) = 0$, given that $x = 1, y = 1$ (5 marks)
- f) Show that the differential equation below is exact and hence solve it. (5 marks)
- $$(3x^2 + 4xy)dx + (2x^2 + 2y)dy = 0$$
- g) Solve the initial value problem $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6\frac{dy}{dx} + 9y = 0; y(0) = 2, y'(0) = -3$. (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20MARKS)

- a) Solve the equation $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dx}{dt} + 2x = 85\sin 3t$, given that when $t=0$, $x=0$ and $\frac{dx}{dt} = -20$. Show that the values of t for stationary values of the steady-state solution are the roots of $6\tan 3t=7$. (10 marks)
- b) A mass suspended from a spring performs vertical oscillations and the displacement $x(\text{cm})$ of the mass at time $t(\text{s})$ is given by $\frac{1}{2}\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -48x$. If $x = \frac{1}{6}$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ when $t=0$, determine the period and amplitude of the oscillations. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20MARKS)

- a) Consider the differential equation $(4x + 3y^2)dx + 2xydy = 0$
- Show that this equation is not exact. (2 marks)
 - Find an integrating factor. (3 marks)
 - Using your integrating factor found in (ii) above solve the equation. (5 marks)
- b) Solve the Bernoulli's equation below by using the transformation $u = y^{1-n}$. (10 marks)
- $$\frac{dy}{dx} + x^5y = x^5y^7$$

QUESTION FOUR (20MARKS)

- a) A cup of tea is prepared in a preheated cup with hot water so that the temperature of both the cup and the brewing tea is initially 190°F . The cup is then left to cool in a room kept at a constant 72°F . Two minutes later, the temperature of the tea is 150°F . Determine;
- The temperature of the tea after 5 minutes. (4 marks)
 - The time required for the tea to reach 100°F . (3 marks)
- b) Solve the differential equation $\cos y + (1 + e^{-x})\sin y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, given that $y = \frac{\pi}{4}$, $x = 0$ (5 marks)
- c) Solve the equation $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 4\frac{dx}{dt} + 3x = e^{-3t}$, given that $t = 0$, $x = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = -2$. (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20MARKS)

- a) Solve the equation $(D + 2)(D + 3)(D - 4)y = e^{5x}$ (6 marks)
- b) Solve the Cauchy-Euler equation below by using the transformation $x = e^z$ (6 marks)

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

- d) Show that the equation $(x^2 - 3y^2)dx + 2xydy = 0$ is a first order homogenous equation hence solve it by using the transformation $y = vx$. (8 marks)