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**COURSE CODE: WMB 9303**

**COURSE TITLE: ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS**

**EXAM VENUE:**

**STREAM:**

DATE: 13/12/2022

EXAM SESSION: 15.00-17.00PM

TIME: 2.00 HOURS

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**Instructions:**

- 1. Answer question 1 (Compulsory) and ANY other 2 questions**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

## QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 marks)

- a) Determine:
- the order,
  - the degree,
  - the unknown function, and
  - the independent variable
- for

$$6\left(\frac{d^5 p}{dq^5}\right)^6 + 8\left(\frac{dp}{dq}\right)^9 + p^9 - p^6 = q \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Find a solution to the boundary-value problem  $y'' = +4y = 0$ ;  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 2$ , if the general solution to the differential equation is known to be  $y(x) = C_1 \sin 2x + C_2 \cos 2x$ . (6 marks)
- c) Form a suitable differential equation using  $y = Axe^{3x} + Be^{3x}$  (5 marks)
- d) Find general solution of the differential equation  $y' = (y - x - 1)^2$  explicitly (4 marks)
- e) Verify that the function  $x = e^{2t} + e^t$  is a solution of the differential equation  $\ddot{x} - 4\dot{x} + 4x = e^t$  on the interval  $(-\infty, \infty)$  (6 marks)
- f) According to Newton's Law of cooling, the rate of change of the temperature  $T$  satisfies

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T - T_s)$$

where  $T_s$  is the ambient temperature,  $k$  is a constant and  $t$  is time in minutes. When object is placed in room with the temperature  $12^\circ C$ , it was found that the temperature of the object drops from  $75^\circ C$  to  $25^\circ C$  in 30 minutes. Determine the temperature of an object after 20 minutes. (5 marks)

## QUESTION TWO (20 marks)

- a) Using substitution of the form  $x = x_1 + h$ ,  $y = y_1 + k$ , reduce the equation below to homogeneous and find its solution

$$y' = \frac{2y - x + 5}{2x - y - 4} \quad (8 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Find  $y$  solution of the second order nonlinear equation  $y'' = -2x(y')^2$  with initial conditions  $y(0) = 2$ ,  $y'(0) = -1$  (6 marks)
- c) Determine whether or not  $(3x^2 + 6xy^2)dx + (6x^2 y + 4y^3)dy = 0$  is exact. If exact, find the solution. (6 marks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 marks)

- a) Find the solution of the given differential equation  
 $y' - 2xy = \cos x - 2x \sin x$ ;  $y(0) = 1$  (6marks)
- b) Solve the following Bernoulli differential equation

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = y^2 \ln x \quad (6\text{marks})$$

- c) Show that

$$(x^2 + 2xy - y^2) + (y^2 + 2xy - x^2)y' = 0; y(1) = -1 \text{ is homogeneous and find its solution.}$$

(7 marks)

### QUESTION FOUR (20 marks)

- a) Solve the initial-value problem using the method of undetermined coefficients

$$y'' - 6y' - 7y = 6e^{2t}, \quad y(0) = 5, \quad y'(0) = -3 \quad (11 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Solve the differential equation using the method of variation of parameters

$$y'' + y = \sec x \quad (9 \text{ marks})$$

### QUESTION FIVE (20 marks)

- a) Equation  $y'' + 9y = 14 \sin 4t$  describes a spring block system that is driven by an oscillatory external for  $f(t) = 14 \sin 4t$  in the absence of friction. If the block has an initial position  $y(0) = 4$  and an initial velocity  $y'(0) = 1$ . Find the solution of the initial value problem.

(9 marks)

- b) A particle moves vertically under the force of gravity against air resistance  $Kv^2$ , where  $K$  is a constant. The velocity at any time is given by the differential equation

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - Kv^2$$

If the particle starts off from rest, show that

$$v = \frac{\lambda(e^{2\lambda kt} - 1)}{(e^{2\lambda kt} + 1)}$$

Such that  $\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{g}{K}}$ . Then find the velocity as the time approaches infinity. (11 marks)