

KENYA METHODIST UNIVERSITY
END OF SECOND TRIMESTER 2006/2007 EXAMINATIONS

FACULTY : **SCIENCES**
DEPARTMENT : **MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE**
COURSE CODE : **MATH 220**
COURSE TITLE : **ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS I**
TIME : **3 HRS**

Instructions:

- Answer question 1 (compulsory) and any other 2 questions.

Question 1

a) Show that the equation

$$(6xy + 2y^2 - 5)dx + (3x^2 + 4xy - 6)dy = 0 \text{ is exact. Hence solve the equation.} \quad (6 \text{ mks})$$

b) Solve the Bernoulli equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy = 4xy^{1/2} \quad (5 \text{ mks})$$

c) Solve the Cauchy-Euler equation

$$3x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0 \quad (6 \text{ mks})$$

d) Find the general solution of the equation using the UC method

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6 \frac{dy}{dx} + 5y = 2e^x + 10e^{5x} \quad (6 \text{ mks})$$

e) Find the orthogonal trajectories of the one-parameter family of curves

$$x^2 + y^2 = 2cy \quad (5 \text{ mks})$$

Question 2

a) Solve the equations

i)
$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6 \frac{dy}{dx} + 13y = 0$$

$$y(0) = 0, y^1(0) = -1$$

ii)
$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} - y = 0 \quad (8 \text{ mks})$$

b) It is known that a radioactive material decomposes at a rate proportional to the amount present. If after a period of 10 years a 2-gram piece of radium weighs only 1.95 grams, how long will it take before the radium is half decayed? (8 mks)

c) Solve the following first order linear equation $(y^2 - xy)dx + x^2dy = 0$ (4 mks)

Question 3

a) Apply the method of exponential shift to solve the differential equation

$$(D^2 - 2D + 5)y = 4x^3 e^{3x} \quad (6 \text{ mks})$$

- b) Solve the Cauchy-Euler initial value problem

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 5x \frac{dy}{dx} + 8y = 2x^3$$

$$y(2) = 0, y'(2) = -8 \quad (7 \text{ mks})$$

- c) By first finding an integrating factor, solve the equation:

$$(5xy + 4y^2 + 1)dx + (x^2 + 2xy)dy = 0 \quad (7 \text{ mks})$$

Question 4

- a) An RCL circuit with $R = 6$ ohms, $C = 0.02$ farads and $L = 0.1$ henry, has an applied voltage $E(t) = 6$ volts. Assuming no initial current and no initial charge when the voltage is first applied, find the subsequent charge on the capacitor in the circuit. (8 mks)
- b) Solve the nonhomogenous equation using variation of parameters

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

$$y(1) = 0, y'(1) = e^2 \quad (7 \text{ mks})$$

- c) solve the homogenous first order differential equation.

$$xydx - (x^2 + y^2)dy = 0 \quad (5 \text{ mks})$$