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**FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE (ENGINEERING)**

EMM 207: MATHEMATICS FOR ENGINEERING III

DATE: Thursday 15th December 2011 **TIME:** 2.00p.m – 4.00p.m

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question ONE and any other TWO

Question One (COMPULSORY) 30 Marks

- a) Form the differential equation from the following primitive equation and hence state the order and degree of each differential equation
- i) $y = Ax + A^2$ [3marks]
- ii) $y^2 = ae^{3x} + be^x$ [4marks]
- b) Solve the 1st order differential equations $(x + 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = x(y^2 + 1)$ [5marks]
- c) If $dy/dx + 2y \tan x = \sin x$ and $y = 0$ for $x = \pi/3$, show that $y = 1/8$ is the maximum value. [5marks]
- d) The rate of which a body cools is proportional to the difference between the temperature of the body and that of the surrounding air. If a body in air at 25°C will cools from 100° C to 75° in one minute, determine its temperature at the end of three minutes. [6marks]
- e) Solve the initial value problem $2y'' + 5y' = 2y = e^{-2t}$ for $y(0) = 1$ and $y'(0) = 1$.

Using Laplace Transform. [6marks]

Question Two (20 marks)

- a) Solve the homogeneous differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = y/x + x \sin y/x$. [4marks]

- b) Test for exactness in the d.e $(y^2 e^{xy^2} + 4x^3)dx + (2xye^{xy^2} - 3y^2)dy = 0$ [5marks]
- c) Solve the Bernoulli equations $\sec^2 y \, dy/dx + x \tan y = x^3$ [6marks]
- d) Uranium disintegrates at a rate proportional to the amount present at any instant. If M_1 , and M_2 grams of uranium are present at time t_1 and t_2 respectively show that the half-life of uranium is $\frac{(t_1 - t_2) \log 2}{\log \frac{m_1}{m_2}}$ [5marks]

Question three (20marks)

- a) Solve the following differential equation
- i) $y'' + y' + y = \cos 2x$. [5marks]
- ii) $D^4 + 2D^2 + 1) y = x^2 \cos x$. [5marks]
- iii) $y' + y/x = x^3 - 3$ [5marks]
- b) Solve the equation $L \frac{di}{dt} + R_i = E_0 \sin wt$ where L , R and E_0 are constants. [5marks]

Question four (20marks)

- a) Test for exactness in the differential equation and hence solve it
 $(2x \log x - xy)dy + 2dyx = 0$ [5marks]
- b) i) Define Laplace transform of $f(t)$. [2marks]
- iii) Find the Laplace transform of

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} t/k & \text{when } 0 < t < k \\ 1 & \text{when } t > k \end{cases}$$
 [3marks]
- c) Find the inverse Laplace transform of $F(s) = \frac{1}{s(s^2 - 16)}$ [4marks]
- d) Using Laplace transform technique solve the initial value problem $y'' + 2y' + 2y = 5 \sin x$ for $y(0) = y'(0) = 0$. [6marks]

Question five (20marks)

- a) Differentiate between the following terms as used in differential equations
- i) Particular solution and general solution. [3marks]
- ii) Order and degree [2marks]
- b) Classify the following differential equation into its order and degree.
 $y''' = \sqrt{y' + y}$ [4marks]
- c) A mechanical system with two degree of freedom satisfies the equation

$$2 \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 3 \frac{dy}{dx} = 4 \text{ and}$$

$$2 \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} - 3 \frac{dx}{dt} = 0$$

Obtain an expression for x and y in terms of t given $x, y \frac{dx}{dt}, dy/dt$ vanish at $t = 0$. [5marks]

- d) Determine the particular solution of the differential equation $y^4 y' - x - 1 = 0$ for $y(2) = 1$. [6marks]