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**THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE**

AMM 316 – ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS 11

DURATION: 2 HOURS

DATE:

TIME:

Instructions to candidates:

1. Answer question One and Any Other Two questions
2. Mobile phones are not allowed in the examination room.
3. You are not allowed to write on this examination question paper.

SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

a) Show that the Wronskian of the functions $f(x) = e^{ax} \cos bx$ and $g(x) = e^{ax} \sin bx$, $b \neq 0$ is be^{2ax}

5marks

b) Write the following 4th order differential equation as a system of first order linear differential equations

$$y^{iv} + 3y^{iii} - 5y^{ii} + 8y = t^2: y(0) = 1, y^i(0) = 2, y^{ii}(0) = 3, y^{iii}(0) = 4$$

5marks

c) Write the following first order system of linear differential equations in matrix form

$$X_1' = 4X_1 + 7X_2$$

$$X_2' = -2X_1 - 5X_2$$

4marks

d) Determine eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -5 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ 5marks

e) Solve the second order non-linear differential equation $y^{ii} = -2t(y^i)^2$ with initial conditions $y(0) = 2, y^i(0) = -1$ 6marks

f) Determine and classify the singular points of the differential equation

$$x^2(x-2)^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2(x-2) \frac{dy}{dx} + (x+1)y = 0$$

5marks

SECTION B – ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) Show that the functions $9\cos 2x$ and $2\cos^2 x - 2\sin^2 x$ are linearly dependent

5marks

b) Show that the Wronskian of the functions x^2 and $x \ln x$ is non-zero. Can these functions be independent solutions of an ordinary differential equation? If so determine this equation

15 marks

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

a) Convert the differential equation $y'' + y' - 6y = 0$, $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 5$ into a first order system of linear differential equations and write the system in matrix form. 5marks

b) Solve the following initial value problem.

$$\mathbf{X}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}; \quad \mathbf{X}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad 15\text{marks}$$

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a) Reduce Bessel's equation $x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + (x^2 - n^2)y = 0$ to its normal form. 5marks

b) Find the general solution to the following non-homogeneous system of linear first order

differential equations $\mathbf{X}' = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$ 15marks