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A2 GCE
4758/01

MATHEMATICS (MEI)
Differential Equations
QUESTION PAPER

TUESDAY 9 JUNE 2015: Morning
DURATION: 1 hour 30 minutes
plus your additional time allowance

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Candidates answer on the Printed Answer Book or any suitable paper provided by the centre. The Printed Answer Book may be enlarged by the centre.

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:

Printed Answer Book 4758/01
MEI Examination Formulae and Tables (MF2)

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:

Scientific or graphical calculator

READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Printed Answer Book or on the paper provided by the centre. Please write clearly and in capital letters.

IF YOU USE THE PRINTED ANSWER BOOK, WRITE YOUR ANSWER TO EACH QUESTION IN THE SPACE PROVIDED. Additional paper may be used if necessary but you must clearly show your candidate number, centre number and question number(s).

Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.

Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

Answer any THREE questions.

You are permitted to use a scientific or graphical calculator in this paper.

Final answers should be given to a degree of accuracy appropriate to the context.

The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$. Unless otherwise instructed, when a numerical value is needed, use $g = 9.8$.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question on the Question Paper.

You are advised that an answer may receive NO MARKS unless you show sufficient detail of the working to indicate that a correct method is being used.

The total number of marks for this paper is 72.

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- 1 The displacement, x m, of a particle at time t s is given by the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 8\frac{dx}{dt} + 25x = 0.$$

Initially the particle is at the origin and has a velocity of $\frac{1}{4}\text{ms}^{-1}$.

- (i) Find the particular solution for x . [8]
- (ii) Find the maximum displacement of the particle from its initial position, giving your answer correct to 3 significant figures. [4]
- (iii) Describe the behaviour of your solution for large values of t . [1]

In a different situation, an additional force is applied to the particle and the differential equation satisfied by x is

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 8\frac{dx}{dt} + 25x = 5\sin 5t.$$

- (iv) Using the same initial conditions as in part (i), find the new particular solution for x . [10]
- (v) Describe the behaviour of your new solution for large values of t . [1]

2 The differential equation

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} - ny = 2x - 1,$$

where n is a non-zero constant, is to be solved for $x > 0$.

Firstly consider the case $n \neq 1$.

- (i) Find the general solution for y in terms of x and n . [8]
- (ii) For $n = -1$, find the equation of the solution curve that passes through the point $(2, 0)$ and sketch the curve for $x > 0$. [4]

Now consider the case $n = 1$.

- (iii) Find the general solution for y in terms of x . [5]
- (iv) Show that the solution curve for which $y = 0$ when $x = 1$ has exactly one stationary point. [3]

Now consider the differential equation

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x-1}}.$$

- (v) Use Euler's method, with a step length of 0.1 and initial conditions $y = 0$ when $x = 1$, to estimate y when $x = 1.3$. The algorithm is given by $x_{r+1} = x_r + h, y_{r+1} = y_r + hy'_r$. [4]

- 3 The resistance to motion of a small test car of mass 20 kg is modelled differently according to the aerodynamic features of the bodywork being tested. The motion of the test car is studied as it moves in a horizontal straight line. In each trial, the car is initially at rest at A; at time t s its velocity is v m s⁻¹ and its distance from A is x m. The only horizontal forces acting on the car are a driving force of 100 N and a varying resistance force of magnitude R N.**

In the first trial, the resistance to motion is modelled by $R = 4v^2$.

- (i) Write down and solve a differential equation to show that**

$$v^2 = 25\left(1 - e^{-\frac{2}{5}x}\right).$$

Find the value of v when $x = 10$. [9]

- (ii) Find the value of t when $x = 10$. [7]**

In the second trial, the resistance to motion is modelled by $R = 2v$.

- (iii) Write down and solve a differential equation to find v in terms of t . State the terminal velocity of the car. [7]**
- (iv) Find the value of t in the second trial when the car's speed is equal to the value of v found in part (i). [1]**

- 4 Two species of small rodent, X and Y, compete for survival in the same environment. The populations of the species, at time t years, are x and y respectively and they are modelled by the simultaneous differential equations

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2(x - y),$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{3}{8}\left(x - 80e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}\right).$$

- (i) Show that

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} - 2\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{3}{4}x = 60e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}.$$

Find the general solution for x . [10]

- (ii) Find the corresponding general solution for y . [3]

When $t = 0$, $x = 40$ and $y = 50$.

- (iii) Find the particular solutions for x and y . [4]
- (iv) Find the time T at which the model predicts that the rodents of species X will die out. Find the population of species Y predicted at this time. [6]
- (v) Comment on the suitability of the model for times greater than T . [1]

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