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BSc and MSci EXAMINATIONS (MATHEMATICS)

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This paper is also taken for the relevant examination for the Associateship.

M1M2 Mathematical Methods II

Date: Wednesday, 19th May 2004   Time: 10 am –12 noon

Credit will be given for all questions attempted but extra credit will be given for complete or nearly complete answers.

Calculators may not be used.

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1. (a) Find the unique solution of
$$y^{11} = y^{1}\, y$$

With $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = \frac{1}{2}$

(b) Find the general solution of

$$y^{11} - 2y' + 5y = e^{x}\sin 2x$$

2. (a) Using Euler's substitution or otherwise, find the general solution of,

$$x^{2}\, y^{11} + 3\, x\, y' + y = x^{-1}$$

with $x > 0$.

(b) Find the general solution to the difference equation

$$n\, U(n) - 2\,(n-1)\, U\,(n-1) + (n-2)\, U\,(n-2) = n$$

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3. (a) Find the general solution of the system of ordinary differential equations

$$\dot{x} = 3x - 2y$$
$$\dot{y} = 2x - 2y$$

Also find the uncoupled equation, the equation fro the trajectories and sketch the phase portrait.

(b) Find the general solution to the inhomogeneous system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

. [Hint: note the RHS is polynomial in t with vector coefficient]

4. (a) Is the expression

$$y \sin x \, y \, dx \ + \ x \, \sin \, x \, y \, dy$$

an exact differential? If so, of what function?

(b) Determine the location and nature of the stationery points

$$f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3\,x\,y$$

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5. (a) Using the change of variables

$$s = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \qquad , \qquad t = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

Show that

$$u_s{}^2 + u_t{}^2 = (u\,x^2 + u\,y^2)(x^2 + y^2)^2$$

where $u = u(x\,,\,y)$.

(b) Find the length of the parametric curve

$$x = \cos^3 t \ , \ y = \sin^3 t$$

From $t = 0$ to $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$.