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## **EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS**

For The Following Qualifications:-

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Mathematics B51B: Mathematics for Students of Economics, Statistics & Related Disciplines

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All questions may be attempted but only marks obtained on the best five questions will count.

The use of an electronic calculator is  $\underline{not}$  permitted in this examination.

1. Find the maximum and minimum distances from (0,0) to the ellipse with equation

$$x^2 - xy + y^2 + 2x + 2y - 5 = 0 .$$

2. Solve the following differential equations.

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(a) 
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x - 2y}{2x - 3y}$$
.  
(b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} - y \tan(x) = 4x^3 \sec(x)$ , with  $y = 3$  at  $x = 0$ .  
(c)  $x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + xy - y^3 = 0$ .

3. Solve the following differential equations.

(a) 
$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4\frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 32e^{2x} + 8\cos 2x$$
.  
(b)  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dx} + 10y = 10xe^{-x}$ , with  $y = \frac{4}{9}$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{11}{3}$  at  $x = 0$ .

#### 4. Solve the following difference equations.

(a) 
$$x_n = 2x_{n-1} - \frac{1}{4}n^2 + 2^n - \frac{1}{2}$$
.  
(b)  $x_n - x_{n-1} = 2(x_{n-1} - x_{n-2}) + 2(1 - n)$ , with  $x_0 = 4$  and  $x_1 = 10$ .

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5. (a) Calculate the integral

$$\int_0^1\int_{x^5}^1 y\,dydx\;.$$

Reverse the order of integration and again calculate the integral.

(b) By reversing the order of integration, calculate the integral

$$\int_0^1 \int_y^1 e^{x^2} dx dy \; .$$

(c) Prove that

$$\int_0^\infty \, e^{-x^2} \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi} \, \, .$$

6. Evaluate the following integrals, expressing your answers in terms of the beta function and gamma function.

(a) 
$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^4}}$$
.  
(b)  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{\sin\vartheta} \, d\vartheta$ .  
(c)  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{d\vartheta}{\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{2}\sin^2\vartheta}}$ .

7. Find the values of a and b for which the system of simultaneous linear equations

has

- (a) no solution,
- (b) more than one solution,
- (c) just one solution.

Find the complete set of solutions in cases (b) and (c).

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