

## Applied Math 2360 Exam #1 Spring 2007

**Instructions:** This exam is closed note, closed book, closed calculator. Point totals for each question are in brackets. Show your work and **BOX** your answers. When in doubt about how to answer a question, keep in mind that your goal is to (as clearly as possible) communicate to us that you understand the material.

An  $h$  subscript denotes *homogeneous solution*. A  $p$  subscript denotes *particular solution*.

1. [25] TRUE/FALSE (Use the full word, "TRUE" or "FALSE". "T" or "F" will not be graded)

- (a) The differential equation  $\frac{dw}{dx} = \frac{x+xw}{w+xw}$  is separable.
- (b)  $z' - \sec(t)z = tz$  is a nonlinear differential equation
- (c) There exists a unique solution to the initial value problem  $\{\frac{dx}{dw} = x^2; x(0) = 1\}$  in some subset of the  $wx$ -plane containing  $(w, x) = (0, 1)$ .
- (d) The method of Variation of Parameters helps us to find an appropriate change of variable to change  $y' + p(t)y = q(t)y^\alpha$  into a linear DE (note that this is a Bernoulli DE).
- (e) Using the Euler-Lagrange 2-step method, the general solution to  $\frac{dw}{dy} = w - y$  is  $w(y) = w_h(y) + Cw_p(y)$  for unknown constant  $C$ .

2. [30] Solve the following differential equations using any method at your disposal.

- (a)  $\frac{dx}{dy} = x^2 \cos(y); x(0) = 2$
- (b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{x^2} (y - 3) \tan(y); y(1) = 3$  [HINT: VERY EASY! Remember to justify your answer.]
- (c)  $t \frac{dx}{dt} = 4t - 3x; x(1) = 2$

3. [15] Consider the differential equation

$$p' = \alpha p - \frac{\alpha}{\kappa} p^2; p(0) = p_0$$

where  $\alpha$ ,  $\kappa$ , and  $p_0$  are constants all greater than zero.

- (a) Draw the direction field, identifying any equilibrium solutions and their stability.
- (b) Describe the qualitative long term behavior for all initial conditions greater than zero, i.e.,  $p_0 > 0$ .

4. [15] CSI: Boulder

Professor Bortz left his  $70^\circ$  coffee in his  $70^\circ$  office to go teach at 10:00AM (it had been sitting there a while). Upon returning to his office (ECOT 234) at 11:00AM for office hours, he discovered that someone had opened the window, but nothing was missing! (and now the office was a chilly  $40^\circ$  while his coffee was  $55^\circ$ ).

When was the office window opened? You may assume that the office instantly became  $40^\circ$  when the window was opened, a good approximation for the cooling/heating coefficient ( $k$ ) for coffee is  $\ln(2)$  (in units of 1/hour), and that Newton's law of cooling applies here.

5. [15] Consider the following 6 linear ODE's.

ODE-I:  $y' = (y/t)^2$

ODE-II:  $5y' = y^3 - 3y^2 - 10y + 24$

ODE-III:  $y' - 3y = 2$

ODE-IV:  $10(t-2)y' = 3ty + e^t$

ODE-V:  $y' + 3y = 2$

ODE-VI:  $5y' = -y^3 + 3y^2 + 10y - 24$

(a) Specify the domain in  $t$  for which a unique solution exists.

(b) Match the following differential equations with the given direction fields. It is not necessary to justify your answers for 5a or 5b.

