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ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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EXAMINERS

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Use of a non-programmable pocket calculator is permissible.

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Instructions

- The notation is the same as in the Study Guide

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Question 1.*Mark Distribution for this question* $8 + 22 = 30$ marks

- (a) Determine whether the system

$$\begin{aligned}(D + 3)[x] + (D + 3)[y] &= e^{2t} \\ (D - 2)[x] + (D - 2)[y] &= e^{-3t}\end{aligned}$$

is degenerate. In case it is degenerate, decide whether it has no solution or infinitely many solutions. If it has no solutions, explain why, else find the general form of the solutions.

- (b) Reduce the system

$$\begin{aligned}(D^2 + 1)[x] - 2D[y] &= 2t \\ (2D - 1)[x] + (D - 2)[y] &= 7\end{aligned}$$

to an equivalent triangular system of the form

$$\begin{aligned}P_1(D)[y] &= f_1(t) \\ P_2(D)[x] + P_3(D)[y] &= f_2(t)\end{aligned}$$

and hence determine the solution.

Question 2*Mark Distribution for this question* $2 + 12 + 16 = 30$ marks

- (a) Define the concept of a *root vector of order k* , $k \geq 1$, of a matrix $\mathbf{A}$.
- (b) Let k be a positive integer. Use induction to prove that if $(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})^k \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ then $\mathbf{u}$ is an eigenvector which corresponds to the *non-repeated* eigenvalue λ of $\mathbf{A}$.
- (c) Use the eigenvalue-eigenvector method to solve the initial value problem

$$\mathbf{X}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}, \quad \mathbf{X}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 3.*Mark Distribution for this question* $6 + 19 = 25$ marks

- (a) Prove: if
- Φ
- is a normalized fundamental matrix of
- $\mathbf{X}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}$
- at
- $t_0 = 0$
- and
- $\mathbf{F}$
- is continuous in
- t
- then

$$\mathbf{X}_p(t) = \int_0^t \Phi(t-s)\mathbf{F}(s) \, ds$$

is a particular solution of $\mathbf{X}' = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{F}$

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(b) Use the result in 3((a)) to find a general solution of

$$\mathbf{X}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} + \begin{bmatrix} \cos t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

You may use the trigonometric identities:

$$2 \sin \alpha \cos \beta = \sin(\alpha + \beta) + \sin(\alpha - \beta)$$

$$2 \cos \alpha \cos \beta = \cos(\alpha + \beta) + \cos(\alpha - \beta)$$

and

$$2 \sin \alpha \sin \beta = \cos(\alpha - \beta) - \cos(\alpha + \beta)$$

Question 4.

Mark Distribution for this question 15 marks

Use the *power series method* to find a series solution for

$$\mathbf{X}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}, \quad \mathbf{X}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Write your final answer in terms of the appropriate exponential function

Question 5.

Mark Distribution for this question 10 marks

Determine and classify the critical point(s) in the second and third quadrants of the system

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= x^2 + y^2 - 5 \\ y' &= x^2 + 2y^2 - 9 \end{aligned}$$

TOTAL: [110]