

MATH 251
Midterm Exam I
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There are **9** partial credit questions. **In order to obtain full credit for these problems, all work must be shown. Credit will not be given for an answer not supported by work.** The point value for each question is in parentheses to the right of the question number.

THE USE OF CALCULATORS IS NOT PERMITTED IN THIS EXAMINATION.

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1. Give an example of the following:

(a) (4 points) A first order, nonlinear, autonomous, ordinary differential equation.

(b) (3 points) A second order, linear, homogeneous, ordinary differential equation.

2. (10 points) Solve explicitly for $y(t)$ in the following initial value problem

$$e^t - yy' = 0; y(0) = 1.$$

3. (10 points) Find the general solution of the following equation: $(2y - xe^{xy})y' = 2 + ye^{xy}$.
You may leave your answer in implicit form.

4. (15 points) A tank is filled with 200 liters of a solution containing 100 grams of salt. A solution containing a concentration of 2 g/liter salt enters the tank at the rate 4 liters/minute and the well-stirred mixture leaves the tank at the same rate. Set up the initial value problem for the amount of salt in the tank at time t , find the particular solution and find the limiting amount of salt in the tank as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

5. For the following initial value problem $ty' = 3y + t$; $y(4) = -1$
- (a) (5 points) Without solving, find the maximum interval on which we are guaranteed that the problem has a unique solution.

- (b) (10 points) Solve the initial value problem.

6. For the following equation, $\frac{dy}{dt} = (y + 1)(y - 2)(1 - y)$:
- (a) (10 points) determine and classify the critical points (equilibrium solutions).
- (b) (5 points) which direction field represents this equation? Circle your choice and give one reason why your choice is correct.

7. Find the general solution for the following equations:

(a) (4 points) $y'' - 4y' + 5y = 0$

(b) (4 points) $y'' + 6y' + 9y = 0$

8. (5 points) Find the particular solution to $y'' - 5y' + 4y = 0$, $y(0) = 2$, $y'(0) = -1$.

(5 points) What is the behavior of the solution as t approaches positive infinity?

9. (10 points) Show $y_1(t) = t^2$ and $y_2(t) = t^3$, $t > 0$ form a fundamental set of solutions for $t^2 y'' - 4ty' + 6y = 0$.