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Course Code: MTH302
Course Title: Elementary Differential Equations
Credit Unit: 3
Time Allowed: 3 Hours
Total: 70 Marks
Instruction: Answer Question One and Any Other 4 Questions

1) (a) Solve the Initial Value Problem $y'' - 2y' - 15y = 0, y'(0) = 1, y''(0) = 2$ **13marks**

(b) Hence solve $y'' - 2y' - 15y = 3 \sin 3x ; y'(0) = 1, y''(0) = 2$ **9marks**

2) Solve the differential equation $(1 - x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 6x \frac{dy}{dx} - 4y = 0$ near the ordinary point $x = 0$ **12marks**

3) Solve the differential equation $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \alpha x \frac{dy}{dx} + \beta y = 0$.

Hence find y when $\alpha = 11$ and $\beta = 16$ **12marks**

4) (a) Obtain the Fourier Cosine series for $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2, -\pi < x < \pi$.

Hence deduce that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{12}$ **9marks**

(b) Suppose that $f(x)$ is odd obtain the general Fourier Sine Series. **3marks**

5) (a) Using ratio test and radius of convergence, state the conditions under which the power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n(x - x_0)^n + \dots$ converges, diverges or fails.

If $\rho = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{A_{n+1}}{A_n} \right|$, what happens if L is zero, finite and infinite?

7marks

(b) Determine the radius of convergence of each of the following power series and state if it converges or diverges:

i) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^n}$

ii) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{5^n}$

5marks

6) (a) Prove that $B(m, n) = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2m-1} \theta \cos^{2n-1} \theta d\theta$

8marks

(b) Find the value of $B(5,2)$

4marks